

# WISCOPEX 2008

WISCONSIN FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

77<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION and EXHIBITION - APRIL 12, 2008 – A ONE DAY SHOW  
FOX VALLEY LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL, 5300 N. MEADE ST, APPLETON, WI

## PROSPECTUS FOR TRADITIONAL EXHIBITS (one page exhibits separate listing)

1. Exhibitors must be members in good standing of the WFSC. Any Wisconsin youth 18 and under (inclusive and exclusive of Federation membership) is encouraged and eligible to exhibit.
2. All material exhibited must be the property of the exhibitor and must be authentic, or otherwise identified.
3. All exhibits must be mounted on 8 1/2 x 11 pages. Use of sheet protectors is required. Each page should be numbered consecutively on the reverse side with the owner's name and address.
4. Entries must be made on the official entry form. Where more than one exhibit is entered, each should be entered on a separate form. Make check payable to WISCOPEX 08.

### All entry forms and fees need to be received by Exhibit Chairperson -

Verna Shackleton, 425 N. Linwood Ave., #110, Appleton, WI 54914 -

**No later than March 15, 2008.** Make out your check to **WISCOPEX 08**

5. In case exhibit space is exhausted, late entries will be returned immediately. The Exhibition Committee reserves the right to accept or reject entries for any reason. The frames hold 16 pages, and the cost per frame is \$7.50. There is a limit of 8 frames per exhibit.

The cost for youth frames is \$1.00 (or portion of frame). There is a limit of 4 frames per youth exhibit.

6. Confirmation of exhibit acceptance or other notification will be made to each applicant. Upon receipt of exhibit acceptance a preliminary title page and plan page (if applicable) must be mailed to the Exhibits Chairperson **no later than April 1, 2008**. An exhibit synopsis of not more than one page should accompany the pages required above. Copies will be distributed to the judges prior to the show to aid them in understanding the exhibit. Youth Division exhibitors are not required to submit a title/plan page or synopsis, but may if they desire.

7. **All exhibits to be mounted by the Exhibition Committee** must be in the hands of the Exhibits Chairperson no later than **April 8, 2008**. Exhibits are to be mailed to:

Verna Shackleton, 425 N. Linwood Ave., #110, Appleton, WI 54914.

8. **All exhibits not mailed and that will be mounted by the owner**, or owner-agent, must be brought directly to the Fox Valley Lutheran High School; **April 12, 2008 between 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.** All exhibits must be mounted by 9:30 a.m.

9. No exhibit, or any part thereof, may be removed from the exhibit area prior to the close of the exhibition, April 12, 2008 at 5:00 p.m.

10. Exhibits will be received and held at the risk of the owner. Exhibitors must provide their own insurance. All precautions will be taken while your material is in our possession, but at no time shall liability be placed on the WFSC, the Fox Valley Lutheran High School, or any members, committees, appointees, and employees.

11. Exhibition judging and awards will comply with the Rules for Annual Exhibitions as provided by the WFSC Standing Committee on Exhibitions. All exhibits of the Champion of Champions category at the annual Convention and Exhibition shall receive a Gold Award, with one Champion of Champions Award.

12. All entries will be returned as soon as possible after the close of the exhibition to those requesting return by mail. Exhibitors should designate instructions for return of their exhibits on the backside of their official entry form, and enclose additional remittance to cover postage charges.

13. Announcement of awards will take place at the Fox Valley Lutheran High School cafeteria at 6:00 pm following the dismantling of exhibits. Pizza and Pop will be available. Reservations will be taken. A later ATFP will have further information.

Voting for the People's Choice Award will end at 4:00 p.m. Saturday, April 12, and the winner will be notified by mail.

#### EXHIBITION CLASSIFICATIONS - (only for arrangement of exhibits)

##### DIVISION I - Open Competition

- Group A - United States,
- Group B - Countries of the World,
- Group C - United Nations,
- Group D - Postal History,
- Group E - Postal Stationery,
- Group F - Topicals/Thematic
- Group G - First Day Covers
- Group H - Special Studies.

A minimum of (2) frames are required. There is a limit of 8 frames.

The winner of Best of Show at WISCOPEX will not be able to enter the same exhibit in WISCOPEX open competitions again for five years unless there is a minimum of 20% change, defined as reworking, additional material, philatelic knowledge and research attested to by the exhibitor.

##### DIVISION II -YOUTH COMPETITION

Exhibits that are entered by youth collectors (age 18 and under) are not in competition with adult exhibits. The same rules, other than classification, number of frames, and WFSC membership exemption, apply to youth exhibitors as well as adult exhibitors. There is a limit of 4 frames for youth; the number of pages in a frame can be in increments of 8, 16, 24, 32 etc. A parent, or guardian, must sign the official entry form.

##### DIVISION III - Champion of Champions

An exhibitor, who has won "Best of Show" at a Federation club's annual show, or the open competition at WISCOPEX, must exhibit in the **next** Champion of Champions competition at

WISCOPEX, or be required to requalify by winning a “Best of Show”. There is a limit of 8 frames.

In the case of an open show held by an APS sanctioned exhibition within Wisconsin, i.e. MILCOPEX, the exhibit receiving the **highest award** by a WFSC club member, can also enter the next Champion of Champions competition or must requalify. There must be **two** exhibits to be eligible for a Champion of Champions category. If only one, this entry will be eligible the following year.

An exhibit that qualifies for the Champion of Champions competition **shall not** be shown competitively at another WFSC MEMBER-CLUB LOCAL-LEVEL show prior to the next Champion of Champions competition.

Single-Frame and Display Class exhibits are not eligible for Champion of Champions competition.

The winner of the “Champion of Champions” competition may not show with the same exhibit in the state of Wisconsin for five years, except for national shows, such as MILCOPEX.

Each local club/exhibition usually sends its “Best of Show” exhibit and pays the entry fee.

#### DIVISION IV - SINGLE-FRAME

Single-frame exhibits will have a maximum of one frame, or 16 pages per entry.

#### DIVISION V - DISPLAY CLASS

Up to 1/3 of the material may be non-philatelic. Limit of two frames (32 pages). Not in competition with other divisions.

#### AWARDS

Will be on an open basis and will be as follows: Best of Show or Grand Award, First Place, Second Place, and Third Place ribbons as necessary.

Special Awards donated by various philatelic organizations/individuals will be made. Judges will determine which exhibits receive the awards according to the criteria specified by the donors. Only Open, Single-frame, and Youth exhibits will compete for special awards. All exhibits are eligible for the People’s Choice Award. All Certificates of Awards and the Palmares will be mailed to exhibitors.

WISCOPEX Club Award will be awarded to the WFSC club earning the most points for exhibits entered by its’ members. Be sure to list all WFSC clubs of which you are a member on the official entry form.

#### SUMMARY OF DATES AND TIMES

March 15	Closing date for receiving Official Entry Form
April 1	Title/Plan Page and Synopsis due
April 12, 7:30 a.m.	Owner, or owner-agent, mounting begins – must be done by 9:30 a.m.
April 12, 3:15 p.m.	Judges Walk Through Critique follows WFSC annual business meeting
April 12, 5:00 p.m.	Dismounting of exhibits begins
April 12, 6:00 p.m.	Awards and Pizza Party

ADDITIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION -Verna Shackleton, phone (920)734-2417.