

OFFICIAL
BULLETIN
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OF
STAMP
CLUBS

PLANS FOR THE 1948 CONVENTION PROGRESSING FAVORABLY.

I think the member clubs would be interested to know how plans are proceeding for the 1948 State Convention, to be held in Oshkosh, May 21-22-23.

The Oshkosh Philatelic Society as the host club is working diligently to assure each and everyone a very enjoyable time.

Arrangements have been made to issue a very fine souvenir program and directory for the event. This book will not only give the information relative to the Federation and its activities but as a special feature will include several well written articles pertaining to the 100th anniversary of the Wisconsin Statehood. These articles have been written by several authorities on this subject matter, and will be of much interest.

In another part of the bulletin you will find rules, regulations, and classifications for the Exhibit. Study the classifications carefully and plan your exhibit NOW.

The Raulf Hotel is famous for its fine food and has promised us an outstanding banquet. For entertainment there will be dinner music and an exceptional floorshow. We are happy to announce that as our main speaker we have secured the chairman of the Winnebago County Centennial Committee, Professor E. A. Clemans, a man who has made a lifetime study of Wisconsin history. Professor Clemans was for many years an instructor at the Oshkosh State Teachers College.

Stamp Dealers interested in being on the bourse should contact Philo Foote, 79 South Street, Fond du Lac, Wis. as soon as possible as the space is limited.

Plans are being made for group meetings of Collectors with special interest.

We would like to urge every stamp collector to plan on bringing their families along. The Hotel has asked us to have you send them your reservation early. Mr. Shirley Robertson, 123 Evans Street, will take care of your reservations.

ATTENTION CLUB SECRETARIES.

Club secretaries should send us as soon as possible an approximate number of collectors who intend to attend the Banquet. For further information which will be gladly given, contact the general chairman Edw. D. Hamilton, 118 W. Lincoln Ave., Oshkosh, Wis.

CLUB NEWS

Outagamie Stamp Club: On Feb. 11th Dr. F. E. Brauns showed his outstanding collection of German States and other classic issues.

Eau Claire Philatelic Soc: This club reelected their entire staff for the year, and have been hard at work enjoying themselves. In their program they have included talks, slide, movies, auctions and quizzes.

Blackhawk Philatelic Soc.:
Rockford, Illinois On April 10-11, 1948 this society will hold their 1st annual convention and exhibition in the French and Colonial Rooms of Hotel Nelson. A banquet will be held in the Sapphire Room on Saturday night, April 10th. Mr. Clarence Gruhl, of the Milwaukee Phil. Soc. will be the guest speaker.

Wauwatosa Philatelic Soc.: The 2nd meeting in February was known as "Old Timers Night" and many of the original club members turned out for the gathering according to "Pa" Roberts.

Milwaukee County Council
of Stamp Clubs: This organization met at Wood, Wis. (Veteran's Hospital) Jan. 6th after the Wood Collectors club meeting and had election of officers. Results: M.E. Newman, reelected Pres. C.J. Gruhl, elected Vice Pres., C.H. Steinhart reelected Secretary-Treasurer. The council will have a "warm-up" show in April to get ready for the state convention.

Manitowoc Philatelic Soc: An election was held recently, and these officers were elected: Pres. Stanley Kresal, Vice Pres. Jacob Vlasic, Sec. Robert Bellmer, Treas. John Hows, Auction Ludwig Schnerer. Several members have given talks at the Junior Club.

Oshkosh Philatelic Soc.: held their 18th annual banquet Febr. 15th at Shenar's. Rev. C. Luke Leitermann of Phlox, Wis. spoke on Vatican City. A Nice time was enjoyed by all.

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Rex Philatelic Soc.: New officers are: Pres. Walter Jaglowski, Secretary Armond Weiss. Editor of Rex Philatelist - K.F. Olson. Meetings 2nd Wednesday of the Month in Conference Room of the Public Library. All meetings open to the public.

On the question of dividing the southern district into Eastern and Western group, the mail vote was so insignificant that we are asking each club to instruct their delegates how to vote on this question which will be taken up at the annual meeting.

In order to save time at the annual meeting, please send in any business you would like to have brought up. We will then publish this in the next bulletin, so that each question can be discussed beforehand.

Every club should send in a slate of new officers for next year. This will save time at the annual meeting, although, as usual, nominations will be accepted from the floor.

A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF CLUBS HAVE NOT YET SENT IN THEIR DUES. SECRETARIES? PLEASE TAKE CARE OF THIS IMPORTANT MATTER AND DO NOT MAKE IT NECESSARY FOR US TO SEND OUT STATEMENTS.

Jottings

We would like to see each club sponsor a Junior Exhibit and then send the winners to the state show at Oshkosh in May. Congratulations to Ray Van Handel, Jr. for his fine article in the January "Czechoslovak Specialist" entitled, The Hradecany Issue, A theory on their production. Well Done.

Ira Bennett, 1712 Emory St., Eau Claire, Wis. is sponsoring a series of Wisconsin Centennial cachets done by the silk screen process. Covers are mailed from appropriate towns. Stamp Clubs publishing a news bulletin should put the secretary of the Federation on their mailing list. Don't forget that trip to Denver in September when you are making up your vacation plans. A fine chance for a wonderful trip and a chance to take in the American Philatelic Society convention. For further details see Erwin Nielsen, 735 No. Water St., Milwaukee.

CLASSIFICATION OF EXHIBITS

Section I. Wisconsin Postal History

1. Wisconsin Territorial Covers
2. Wisconsin State Stampless covers
3. Wisconsin Covers before 1900
 - a. Covers after 1900
4. Any County or Section
5. Wisconsin Hotel and Advertising Covers
6. Wisconsin Railroad covers
7. Wisconsin Rural Free Delivery Postmarks
8. Straightline Postmarks
9. Postmaster and County Postmarks
10. Specialized Cancellations
 - a. State Usage
 - b. City Usage
11. Precancels
 - a. Before 1923
 - b. After 1923
12. First Flight Airmail covers
13. Postmarks on Postal Cards
14. Post Stamps and Charity Seals
15. Any other Group not otherwise listed or classified.

Section II. Foreign

1. Great Britain, its Dominions and Colonies
2. Any Foreign Country and its colonies
3. Any Stamp Issues or Specialized Group not listed.

Section III. Airmails

1. United States Stamps and Covers
2. Specialized Groups, foreign, FAM, CAM, etc.

Section IV. Precancels

1. General
2. Bureau Prints

Section V. Christmas Seals

1. Tuberculosis Seals
2. Poster and Advertising Seals
3. Meters, etc.

Section VI. United States and Possessions

1. Nineteenth Century
2. Twentieth Century
3. Revenue
4. Specialized Division not otherwise classified.

CLASSIFICATIONS OF EXHIBITS

Section VII. Covers

1. United States Covers
2. Foreign Covers
3. Specialized Groups, such as FD, Cachet, Hotel, etc.

Section VIII. Topical

1. Collections Arranged by topics, such as ships, art, Animals, industries, etc.

Section IX. Juniors

1. 3rd to 7th Grade, inclusive U.S. or Foreign
2. 8th to 12th Grade, inclusive U.S. or Foreign.

OSHKOSH - MAY 21 -23, 1948

RULES AND INFORMATION GOVERNING THE EXHIBITION

The Exhibition is open to all member of all clubs which are affiliated with the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs. Each Junior Exhibit must be sponsored by a member club. All material exhibited must be the bona-fide property of the exhibiter.

The exhibitor may chose the section and group under which he wishes to compete, but the Exhibition Committee shall have the right to correct obvious errors of classification made by the exhibitor.

Since the exhibition space is limited, not more than ten frames will be accepted from any exhibitor in any group, although the exhibitor may enter additional frames in other groups.

There will be three Grand Award Ribbons, a regular award ribbon, consisting of First, Second and Third place ribbons for each group of each section. However, the judges may withhold any or all of the regular awards if the number of entries in any group is insufficient or the quality of the exhibit is, in their opinion, below a reasonable standard for State exhibitions. In addition there will be juniour Exhibit Awards consisting of 2 First, 2 Second and 2 Third place ribbons, as well as 2 Fourth place ones.

The following Trophies will be awarded:

First, Second and Third Grand Award Trophies, donated by the host club.

The President's Trophy, donated by President Charles Peirce, to be awarded for the Postal History Exhibit judged the most interesting by the visitors.

The Milwaukee County Council of Stamp Clubs Traveling Cup, to be presented to the club winning the greatest number of points, in accordance with the handicap schedule.

Four Junior Cups, donated by the Fottloose Filatelists, to be awarded to the first and second best of both the Junior-juniour and the Senior-senior groups.

All entry blanks and fees must be postmarked not later than May 8th. However, the amount of exhibit space is limited, and after this space is assigned, the Committee will have no choice but to close the entries sooner. Assignment of space will be started on April 17th. GET YOUR ENTRY IN EARLY.

Entry fees will be 35¢ per frame. The standard frames are 24" wide by approximately 28" high. All frames will be placed vertically. Frames which vary greatly from this standard size will be placed as advantageously as possible, but the Committee cannot guarantee to place them together with other exhibits of the same group. Fees for the Junior class will be 25¢ per exhibitor for the first frame and 10¢ for each additional frame.

Exhibits must reach the Committee not later than 10:00 P.M. May 20th for Oshkosh exhibitors and not later than 12:00 noon for all other exhibits. If late, or for any reason any entry cannot be accepted the fees will be returned.

All exhibits shall remain in place until the close of the convention at 5.00 P.M. Sunday, May 23rd.

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WISCONSIN FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

17th ANNUAL - STATE CENTENARY CONVENTION - MAY 21-22-23, 1948

Hotel Raulf, Oshkosh, Wisconsin

Herbert Burgett, Chairman
Exhibition Committee
91 $\frac{1}{2}$ Central Avenue
Oshkosh, Wisconsin

Amount Enclosed

Entry Fee - 35¢ a Frame \$
*Frame Rental @ 25¢ ea. \$
Total \$

I herewith make application to enter my collection of stamps in the Oshkosh Exhibition, for which kindly reserve space for me.

I will show _____ frames, for which I enclose the entry fee of thirty-five cents per frame.

I intend to enter my frames in the following class, in accordance with the Exhibition Classification _____

I belong to the following stamp clubs, all of which are members of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs _____

I understand that every reasonable precaution will be taken for the safeguarding of the exhibits while in the possession of the Exhibition Committee, and that guards will be maintained on duty at all times while the exhibition is in place. I understand, however, that no responsibility of any kind or character attaches to the Hotel Raulf, The Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs, the Oshkosh Philatelic Society, or any member, committee or employee thereof, for loss or damage to any material submitted or exhibited, arising from any cause or reason whatsoever.

I agree to abide by the rules approved for exhibition, and to accept the decision of the duly appointed judges as final.

Signed _____

Address _____

Date _____, 1948

Town _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

Make out a separate entry blank for each group you wish to enter. Get your entries in as soon as possible, since the exhibit space is limited.

*The Committee will have a limited number of frames available, at a rental fee of 25¢ per frame. If you wish to rent frames, reserve them at once, enclosing the rental fee.

JUNIOR EXHIBIT APPLICATIONS should be made out on special entry blanks provided for that purpose.

JUNIOR ENTRY BLANK

Amount Enclosed

Entry Fee @ 25¢\$ _____
Add'l. Frame Fees _____
@ 10¢ \$ _____
Total \$ _____

The _____ Stamp Club, being an accredited stamp club of the
Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs will sponsor the following Junior Exhibits,
and wishes to reserve space for the same

Name	Address,	City	Jr-Jr or Sr-Jr, Class	No. of Frames
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Signed _____ Stamp Club

per _____ Secretary

Address _____

Date _____, 1948

Town _____

Instructions:

If your club cannot give the entire information requested herein at
this time, then designate simply the number of entries and frames you wish and
submit the balance of the information as soon as it becomes available.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have Lots for the auction send them as soon
as possible to Mr. Joseph Rupp, 111 N. Main St. Fond du Lac, Wis.

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