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WISCONSIN
FEDERATION OF
STAMP CLUBS

Dear Members:

As president of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs I will call the annual business meeting of the federation Saturday, May 17 at 2:30 P.M. at the Hotel Foeste, Sheboygan, Wisconsin. This meeting will be in conjunction with the 21's annual convention of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs.

Much work and plans are being made by the Host Club, Sheboygan, to make this convention a huge success. Elsewhere in this bulletin you will find the data for the exhibit and hotel reservations.

See you in Sheboygan May 16, 17, & 18.

Sincerely,

Wilbur A. Symes

Wilbur A. Symes, President

Sheboygan officers for the year will be:

Lester Otto - President

Vern Witt - 1st Vice President

Jack Klein - 2nd Vice President

Ray VanHandle - Secretary & Treas.

The above officers will be the greeting committee for this year's convention.

This appeared In the January 1952 issue of
Holiday magazine.

The story tells of one John A. (Snowshoe) Thompson, who during the period between 1857-1877, carried the mail between Placerville, California and Genoa, Nevada (over the Sierra Nevada mountains), a distance of 90 miles, without receiving a cent from the Government for his 20 years of service. At the turn of the century, postment erected a statue to him and Wells Fargo Company issued a stamp in recognition of the service he rendered.



The BIG Exhibition

ENTRY FEE FOR SENIORS

35¢
per frame

35¢
per frame
extra if we mount
your material in
our frame.

ENTRY FEE FOR JUNIORS

25¢
per frame

35¢
per frame
extra if we mount
your material in
our frame.

at the Y.M.C.A., just one-half block east of the Convention Headquarters at the Foeste Hotel.

No limit is placed on the number of frames an exhibitor wishes to enter as there is ample space to accommodate over 450 frames.

No classification system will be used except that Juniors and Seniors will compete in their respective groups.

Competent judges have been secured for this show and the POINT SYSTEM WILL NOT BE USED to judge the exhibits.

Every reasonable effort will be taken for the safety of all exhibits while in the possession of the Exhibition Committee, that guards will be on duty at all times while the exhibition is in place. All exhibits will be covered by Blanket Insurance during this period, covering loss or damage by fire, water or theft. It should be understood, however, that no responsibility of any kind shall attach to the member, individually or collectively, of the Sheboygan Stamp Club, the Y.M.C.A., the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs, or any officer, member, committee or employee thereof, for loss or damage to any material submitted or exhibited arising from any cause or reason whatsoever.

AWARDS - Senior Group - 3 Grand Awards - The A.P.S. medal for the best display by a member of the American Philatelic Society - The U. S. Cancellation Club Award for the best display of U. S. Cancellations on stamps.

Award Certificates for the first 9 best displays, second 9 best, third 9 best, and fourth 9 best displays. The Grand Award Winners will be chosen from this group.

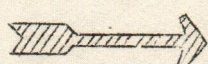
Philatelic merchandise Award by the H. E. Harris Co., and many other worthwhile prizes.

AWARDS - Junior Group - 3 Grand Awards donated by the Foot - Loose Philatelists.

Philatelic merchandise awards by the H. E. Harris Co. The Vern Kaub award to the club making the finest showing in the Junior Division.

The W.F.S.C. president's award for the best exhibit of foreign stamps. Donated by Wilbur A. Symes.

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR ENTRY BLANK
AND *Important* INFORMATION

 *This is important - so please read carefully -*

Collections to be mounted in frames by the Sheboygan Club must be in our hands by May 9th. All exhibition material in Frames must be delivered to the Y.M.C.A. Ontario Avenue, Sheboygan, Wisconsin, not later than 9:00 P.M. Friday evening, May 16, in order that the exhibition will be in place for the judges to start early on Saturday morning. Absolutely no material will be accepted after the time and date mentioned. If you live farther than 75 miles from Sheboygan, you can make special arrangements with the Exhibition Chairman for delivery of frames or in case you wish to bring your material to Sheboygan before the above date, contact -

VERN WITT *Exhibition Chairman*
1613 So. 8th Street Dial 2-1183
Sheboygan, Wisconsin

Entry Fee at _____	per frame _____
Frame Rental at 35¢	per frame _____
Amount Enclosed	_____

Check Please

SENIOR ---- ☐

JUNIOR ---- ☐

STAMPS ---- ☐

POSTAL HISTORY --- ☐

I will enter _____ Frames at _____ each.

I wish to rent _____ Frames at 35¢ each.

I will show _____

Please give a concise description of your collection which we may use for newspaper publicity.

Are you a member of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs? _____ Name of Club _____

Are you a member of any National Philatelic Society or Specialized Stamp Study Group? _____ Name of Organization _____

NOTE: Use a separate blank for each type of exhibit you will enter. Additional blanks available from your club secretary.

Signed _____

Address _____

WHEREAS, for the past two years the judging of the exhibit entries and the selection of award winners at the annual convention and exhibition of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs has been conducted according to a pre-arranged schedule of percentages, known as the "point system"; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Sheboygan Stamp Club that this method of evaluating exhibits has received much unfavorable comment and in many cases criticism, from exhibitors and judges alike, as being an unworkable system from the standpoint of fairness in selecting the best and most worthy exhibits; and

WHEREAS, it has also come to the attention of the Sheboygan Stamp Club that the practice of restricting the judges to the use of the said "point system" in the judging of stamp exhibits has led to confusion among the judges in selecting the most worthy presentations, and has opened up the possibility of inequities in the selection of award winners; and

WHEREAS, the controversies aroused thru the use of the "point system" in the two previous State Exhibitions has led to such a state of affairs within the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs that many prospective exhibitors have given indication of reluctance to participate in future exhibitions which are to be judged according to the rules embodied in said "point system"; and

WHEREAS, it is the aim of the Sheboygan Stamp Club not to discourage but to encourage federation members to participate in future shows, and to conduct the coming state exhibition with a view to fairness to all concerned and to minimize the possibility repercussions following the decisions of the judges; and

WHEREAS, the Sheboygan Stamp Club is confident that the judges which it has invited to serve at the coming exhibition are men of high calibre and fully qualified in experience in the field of philately, and are competent to judge each exhibit on its merit without being guided in their selections by any established method of evaluating the qualifications of the philatelic presentations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sheboygan Stamp Club, as host to the coming state convention and exhibition to be held in Sheboygan on May 17 and 18, 1952, go on record as abandoning the "point system" at the coming exhibition; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the judges who are to serve at this convention be permitted to judge the exhibits according to any standards which they wish to agree upon among themselves; that said judges be given free reign to exercise their own judgment as to the worthiness of an exhibit to qualify for recognition in the field of awards; and that said judges be given advance notice that they are not to be restrained in their selections of winners by any pre-arranged system of percentage points; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and that a copy be sent to each member club of the Wisconsin Federation.

Respectfully submitted,

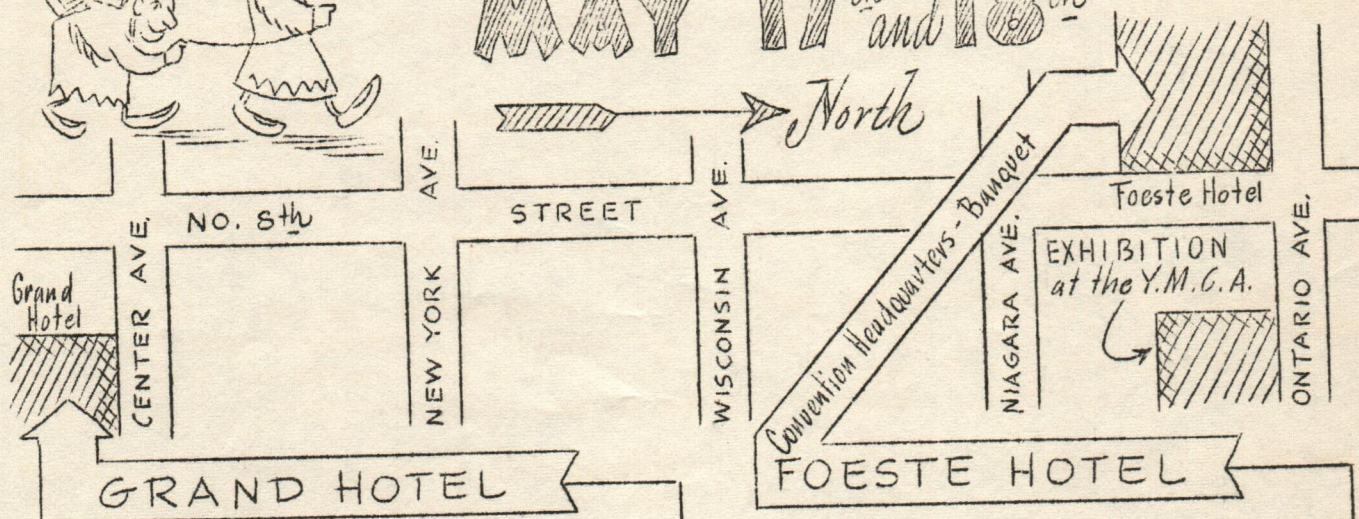
CONVENTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

ON TO SHEBOYGAN in '52



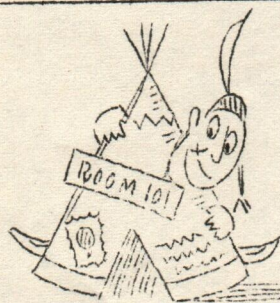
for the 21st Annual Convention of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs - Saturday + Sunday

MAY 17th and 18th



Plain Room - Single	\$1.25
Plain Room - Double	3.50
Room with Tub Bath - Single	3.50
Room with Tub Bath - Double	5.75
Room with Shower - Single	3.50
Room with Shower - Double	5.75
Room with Shower - Single	4.50
Room with Shower - Double	7.00

Rooms with Shower - Single	\$4.50
Rooms with Shower - Double	6.75
Rooms with Tub Bath - Single	4.25
Rooms with Tub Bath - Double	6.50
Rooms with Tub Bath - Twin Beds	6.75
Rooms without Bath - Single	2.75
Rooms without Bath - Single	3.00
Rooms without Bath - Double	4.75



Just check the hotel of your choice, put a circle around the type of room you desire and mail to....

JACK KLINE

1531A NO. 8th STREET

SHEBOYGAN, WISCONSIN

Simple as all that - and your room will be reserved for you.

Your Name _____

Address _____

There is more to stamp collecting, than just collecting stamps. That statement, no doubt, could be applied to any hobby, but as stamp collecting is one of yours, as well as mine, I'll confine my remarks to the same.

It is true that there are many who just collect stamps. They derive much pleasure from getting the stamps and mounting them in their albums. They have other outside interests which requires their spare time and prevents them from joining a stamp club and attending its' meetings. In some cases there may not be such a club in their city.

Another group would cover those who do belong to a stamp club, but who seldom, if ever, attend the meetings, even if they have the time to do so. However, they enjoy the hobby and joined a club in order to help support it by contributing their annual dues. Perhaps if they would attend a few of the meetings they would soon find themselves in the following category.

This is the third and last group, and is the one that explains what I mean, by the first sentence of this article. This group is made of individuals who collect stamps, mount them in their albums, belong to the stamp club, attend its' meetings as regularly as their time permits and take an active part in the meetings. They become better acquainted with their fellow members and soon acquaintances are cemented into lasting friendships. In addition, they may at one time or another serve on the various committees, or as an officer of the club. As time goes on, they may even become active in other local, or even state or national stamp organizations. They still enjoy stamp collecting, but enjoy it all the more due to participating in the many things just mentioned. They do not do all these things for any glory (for the glory is far outweighed by the work involved) but they do them because they are interested in the hobby and want to keep it going and growing - and Americas' Hobby Number One.

Oshkosh Philatelic Society Auxiliary took three subscriptions to STAMP COMICS for the Veterans' at Wood, Wisconsin

This group does alot for the boys at Wood as well as for Tomah.

You may kill two birds with one stone, by conserving, restore, and protecting soil, water, forest and wildlife; also make a very fine poster stamp collection for a small amount of money, by buying the album and stamps from the National Wildlife Federation, 3308 - 14th Street N.W., Washington 10 D.C. Anyone asking for a price list will find that prices for albums and stamps for the past years will total a little over \$10.00. (These stamps would be a fine exhibit for the W.F.S.C. convention at Sheboygan.)

For the last several months I have been making the history of the Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs, now I have to ask for help from the members of the Federation. I am in great need for cachets, poster stamps and book matches that may have been issued during the past federation/convention. If anyone has any they would be willing to give or sell me please send them to me. It should make an interesting exhibit for this years convention.

Wilbur A. Symers,

606 Jay Street

Manitowoc, Wisconsin

The Manitowoc Philatelic Society will celebrate their 1000th meeting about the year 2015 - so plan to make arrangements for a 'baby sitter' so that you may all attend.

Anyone interested in Christmas seals may get a new price list issued by the National Tuberculosis Association
1790 Broadway
New York 19, New York
A self addressed envelope will be necessary.

Up to date no club has made a bid for the 1953 convention!!

Why not have your club bid for the 1953 Convention?????????

