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Thank you for considering a donation of any size.



Won't you help the Library?

With this pandemic, we've lost a year of income. With limited ability to hold an open house and sale for the foreseeable future, times are tough.

Your donation will help the Library stay afloat!

Please donate at our new GoFundMe Charity site:

<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/friends-of-western-philatelic-library-inc>



Bob Gordon, Editor

Editor's Corner

You saw our new GoFundMe Charity campaign on our cover?

Please consider donating at <https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/friends-of-western-philatelic-library-inc> All donations are welcome as we try to replace income lost due to COVID-19. In the meantime, many improvements are being made to the Library to make it better than ever for the eventual day when we can re-open safely! (See photos below and on pages 4 and 6)

Want to connect with Western Philatelic Library?

Your best bet now is to email libry@att.net.

Wishing you well, and thank you for your patience!



LEFT: Tidied-up workspace in the Library. All it needs is YOU (when it's safe again to visit).

Thank you to our donors of material!

We are grateful to the following for their recent donations of philatelic material to The Friends of the Western Philatelic Library, Inc:

Richard Clever (San Jose), Vesma Grinfelds (San Francisco), Stuart Leven (San Jose), Leo Martyn (Los Angeles), Greg Mirsky (Palo Alto), Ross Towle (San Francisco), UPSS Publications (Chester, VA)

Summary of Board Actions

THE FRIENDS OF THE WESTERN PHILATELIC LIBRARY, INC.

FRIENDS OF THE WESTERN PHILATELIC LIBRARY SUMMARY OF BOARD ACTIONS JUNE 13, 2020

Funds and Fundraising:

a. WESTPEX: Annual \$5,000 Donation Status? Roger Skinner has offered to match the WESTPEX donation of \$5,000 this year. This would make a total of \$10,000 available to take the Library into January 2021.

b. Thank You Letter for Donations: Steve Schumann has volunteered to take over the task of sending acknowledgement receipts for philatelic donations.

c. Go Fund Me Campaign – Ask for \$50,000 The 2020 Open House, Auction, and Book Sale as well as WESTPEX 2020 and Filatelic Fiesta had to be cancelled due to the Pandemic thus taking away major sources of this year's income for the Library. A Go Fund Me appeal should emphasize the dire straits the Library finds itself in financially due to the current situation. Steve Schumann and Bob Gordon will head the Campaign, with Nestor Nunez managing donations. Ed Jarvis suggested reaching out to Library Members through the *BayPhil*, mailings, email, etc. A motion to create a Go Fund Me site was made by Bob Gordon, seconded by Steve Schumann and passed unanimously.

d. Open House in 2020: Auction / Book Sale Date? The date of the next Open House, Auction, and Book Sale will have to be determined based on when San Mateo County deems it safe to proceed with large gatherings. This will be taken up at the next FWPL BOD meeting.

Publicity and the Bay Phil: Editor Bob Gordon noted that the last issue dated April 2020 was mailed out early that month. It mainly consisted of notices of event cancellations, including the Open House, Book Sale, and Auction as well as WESTPEX. The next issue date

is August 2020 and will emphasize the Go Fund Me campaign. Nestor suggested including the recent *Wall Street Journal* article on stamp collecting.

Website: Bob Gordon asked Kristin Patterson for assistance with updating the Website and he has been trying to use WordPress to accomplish this. Meanwhile a new Webmaster is needed.

The Big Cleanup: Roy Teixeira continues to manage the cleanup. He has taken countless loads to the dump and recycling before they were closed due to the Pandemic.

a. Stamp sorting room for Wally Jolliff and Ken Lewetzow (area under raised platform in rear of Library): The newly cleared room is being used now by Wally and Ken for sorting and describing lots for the upcoming and future Sales. The room has two 6 foot locking metal cabinets.

b. Replacement of Fence behind parking lot: Roy Teixeira has asked for a quote from Dryco, the company that made the rolling gate for the parking lot, and expects it to be about \$1,800. Roy Teixeira moved, seconded by Steve Schumann, to allocate up to \$2,000 for the project. Ed Jarvis and Steve Schumann offered to split the cost. The motion passed unanimously.

Other: Steve Schumann has created a 100 page notebook for each of the Directors containing documents pertinent to the operation of the WPL. A copy will be made available for visitors to the library and Bob Gordon

Next Board of Director's Meeting:
Saturday August 8, 2020 at 10:00 am.

Board Members

Western Philatelic Library APS Chapter 836

Library Board Members

- President:** Stuart Leven
- Vice President Acquisitions:** Roger Skinner
- Vice President Membership:** Richard Clever
- Secretary:** Nestor Nunez
- Treasurer:** Nestor Nunez
- Board Members at large:** Edward Jarvis
Roy C. Teixeira
Bob Gordon
Steve Schumann



ABOVE:
Tidied-up workspace in the Library.

Volunteers:

- John Corwin** Proofreader
- Wally Jolliff** Auctioneer
- Ken Lewetzow** Auctioneer
- David McNamee** Consultant to Board of Directors
- Jerry Mix** eBay Sales
- Ian "Russ" Samuels** Recording Secretary



Thank you! Our First GoFundMe Charity Donors*

Stuart Leven, Ed Jarvis, Roger Skinner,
American Society for Netherlands Philately,
Stephen D. Schumann, Golden Gate Stamp Club

Please consider joining them at our GoFundMe Charity page:

<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/friends-of-western-philatelic-library-inc>

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THE FRIENDS OF THE WESTERN PHILATELIC LIBRARY, INC.

FRIENDS OF THE WESTERN PHILATELIC LIBRARY SUMMARY OF BOARD ACTIONS AUGUST 8, 2020

1. **Meeting Called to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am by **Acting Board Chair Ed Jarvis** via **TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL** due to **Covid-19 Coronavirus Pandemic**. **Bob Gordon** set up and hosted the **Conference Call**.

Roll Call found a **Quorum of 7 of 8 Officers and Directors** present: **Richard Clever, Bob Gordon, Ed Jarvis, Nestor Nunez, Steve Schumann, Roger Skinner, and Roy Teixeira**. **Guest: Kristin Patterson**. **Recording Secretary: Russ Samuels**.

2. **Minutes of Previous Board Meeting of June 13, 2020:** The **Minutes** were approved unanimously on a motion by **Steve Schumann**, seconded by **Roy Teixeira**.

3. **Treasurer's Report:** **Nestor Nunez** previously e-mailed to the **BOD** the **Financial Statements** through **July 31, 2020**, detailing the income and expenditures including **Balance Sheets, Profit and Loss Statements, and Cash Receipts**. **Ed Jarvis** thanked **Nestor** for getting this out to the **BOD** ahead of today's meeting. At the current "burn rate" of **\$3,500** a month, the **Library** currently has funds to operate through **March 2021**. The current Loan Balance for the **Library Building** is **\$482,000** with a Balloon Payment of **\$448,000** due in February 2023. The building is now insured through the combined General Property and Liability Policy. Although the updated policy has not been received, the **Library's** check has cleared already. **Richard Clever** moved to accept the **Treasurer's Report**, seconded by **Roy Teixeira**, and passed unanimously.

4. **Fundraising and Publicity:**

- a. **Go Fund Me Campaign:** \$8,000 has been raised as of today's meeting including the following donations: **Roger Skinner** matched this year's **WESTPEX** donation of **\$5,000** with a **Go Fund Me** contribution. Other contributions include \$1,000 each from **Ed Jarvis** and **Steve Schumann**, and \$500 each from **Stu Leven** and the **American Society for Netherlands Philately** (*marked "For storage of their library at the WPL"*). **Bob Gordon** will email a link to the **BOD** to easily access the **Go Fund Me** account. This can be forwarded easily to potential donors in the various clubs and organizations in the **Bay Area** and elsewhere.

- b. **Library Policy for Thank You Letters for Donations:** **Steve Schumann** has volunteered to send acknowledgement receipts by email for philatelic donations. **Bob Gordon** will send email thanks for **Go Fund Me** electronic donations, and **Nestor Nunez** will send thanks for cash contributions received in the mail. As **Ed Jarvis** noted, "People like to be thanked!"

- c. **Open House in 2021, Auction, and Book Sale Date:** The date of the next **Open House, Auction, and Book Sale** will have to be determined based on when **San Mateo County** deems it safe to proceed with large gatherings. **Bob Gordon** moved that the **Library** hold off on public events until the **Government** declares that they can be held safely. Seconded by **Roger Skinner** and passed unanimously. This will be taken up again at future **FWPL BOD** meetings.

5. **Membership and Mailing Report:** **Richard Clever** reported no change in the current membership of 228 including 9 overseas. **Richard** will be sending out renewal notices at the end of the year as usual and email addresses will be requested of the members. **Steve Schumann** suggested that members also be asked if they would prefer an electronic copy of the *Bay Phil* in order to save on printing and postage costs. The question of paying dues through the website via **Pay-Pal** was raised. (See *Website below*)

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- 6. Library Operations Report:** Roger Skinner mentioned that there was one visitor who drove in from Tiburon. Work continues to be done safely in the Library. There has been no activity in the vacant building next door.
- 7. Bay Phil:** Editor Bob Gordon noted that the next issue dated August 2020 will emphasize the Go Fund Me campaign on the front cover. There will also be Summaries of BOD Actions from the June 13th and August 8th meetings, a book review, and photos of the interior of the Library showing the cleanup progress and the new fence. This should be in the mail by the end of August.
- 8. Website:** Bob Gordon asked Kristin Patterson for assistance with updating the Website and he has been trying to use WordPress to accomplish this. Kristin has added a Donate Button on the Library's Webpage and will also add a PayPal Button to facilitate dues payments. Meanwhile a new Webmaster familiar with WordPress is needed.
- 9. Building Cleanup Campaign:** Roy Teixeira reported that the replacement of the fence behind the parking lot has been completed and the gate has been fixed. He now wants to repaint the back wall. The interior cleanup has removed much of the clutter freeing up the Bound Journal area. The work room in the back of the Library is being utilized by Wally Jolliff and Ken Lewetzow for sorting and describing lots for the upcoming and future Sales. The room has two 6 foot locking metal cabinets. Nestor Nunez thanked Roy and his helper Dave Moore for all their work.
- 10. Other – Zoom Meetings:** Steve Schumann proposed having future BOD meetings by Zoom, but it was decided that the current Telephone Conference Call method was acceptable to most of the BOD. Bob Gordon suggested that Steve might want to try a social Zoom meeting in an alternate month for those interested.
- 11. Next Board of Director's Meeting:** Saturday October 10, 2020 at 10:00 am.



PHOTOS ABOVE: New fence and tidied-up workspace inside

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16654	Australian Customs Stamps Puzzle Collectors.	Collins, P.	2pp	ill	1989	1.00
16653	Day Dream Island Cover.	Carriker, C.	1pp	ill	1981	.50
16650	Die Varieties. Australia. Scott 21, Type A4 of 1914-24.	Brunskill, J.R.	1pp	ill	unk	.50
16651	Die Varieties. Australia. Scott 304. Australasian 330. South Australia Coat of Arms.	Brunskill, J.R.	1pp	ill	unk	.50
16652	Die Varieties. Australia. Scott 318.	Brunskill, J.R.	1pp	ill	unk	.50
16655	Isaac Ray, 1808-84.	Moreton, R.W.	11pp	ill	1993	5.25
16658	Rare Murray Steam Navigation Local Stamps.	Williams, L.N.	2pp	ill	1986	1.00
16657	"Telling Tommy". Australian Animals.	Pim, P.	1pp	ill	1947	.50
16600	The Koala Bear.	Roller, W.H.	1pp	ill	1946	.50

AUSTRALIA – NEW SOUTH WALES

16646	Die Varieties. New South Wales. Queen Victoria Issue. Scott 100, 104, 112, 124.	Brunskill, J.R.	1pp	ill	1988	.50
16621	New South Wales Railway Stamps.	Cary, J.	1pp	ill	1986	.50

AUSTRALIA – QUEENSLAND

16604	The Serrane Guide-Queensland.	Serrane, F.	1pp		1995	.50
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AUSTRALIA – TASMANIA

16647	Tasmania Has Strong Investment Potential.	Showalter, S.	2pp	ill	1986	1.00
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AUSTRALIA – WESTERN AUSTRALIA

16648	Rare Local Franked Mail During Gold Rush.	Williams, L.N.	1pp	ill	1986	.50
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Congratulations!

Shalimoff, Jarvis and Homen Honored By WESTPEX



The WESTPEX Board of Directors unanimously passed a resolution at its August 17, 2020 meeting to name George Shalimoff, Edward Jarvis, and Clyde Homen as Honorary Chairmen of WESTPEX. The idea was introduced by Steve Schumann, moved by Gordon Eubanks, and seconded by Vesma Grinfelds to honor these individuals who have led WESTPEX with great dedication and gave great support to the Western Philatelic Library.

**Further Insights into
U.S. Postal History, 1794 - 2019**

Anthony S. Wawrukiewicz

[Editor's Note: This book is available at the Library. See review on next page.]

Further Insights into U.S. Postal History, 1794-2019 by Anthony S. Wawrukiewicz.

236 pages, 8 ¾ by 11 ¼ inches, hardbound, American Philatelic Society,

Bellefonte, Pa., 2019. ISBN 978-0-933580-84-8

Book Review by Alan Warren

Review of:

Further Insights into U.S. Postal History, 1794-2019

The author continues to explore and research key areas of the postal history of the United States. This latest work focuses on five major subjects plus some miscellaneous topics.

The First area is a history of the dead letter office (DLO) and how undeliverable mail is handled. Although discussed in his earlier *Insights into U.S. Postal History, 1855-2016*, the author now expands on the treatment of such mail based on further literature that he has uncovered. He describes markings such as "Returned to Writer," "Unclaimed," and "Not Called For," and also illustrates printed envelopes used to carry DLO mail.

The second chapter discusses military-related mail from 1861 to 2019. He begins with Civil War items and goes on to review "soldier's mail" and the circumstances of when mail was free or required postage during WWI and II as well as during later conflicts in Korea, Vietnam, Grenada (1983), Panama (1989-90), and other military operations up to the present.

The third subject explored by the author is the topic of customs duties, clearance, and fees beginning in 1873. He includes extensive use of the marking "Supposed Liable to Customs Duty." A variety of "duty-free" and similar markings and labels is shown. He navigates the changes over the years that govern the examination of mailed items and the associated markings with respect to Duty Collection and Duty Free materials. A myriad of handstamp markings and labels are illustrated and identified with specific cities.

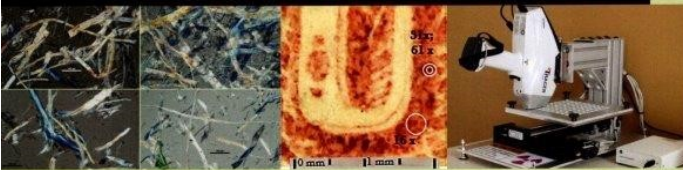
Nearly one hundred pages are devoted to the fourth topic, namely uses of postage due stamps in the United States from when they were introduced in 1879 up until 2019. After discussing first class letter mail that was short paid, the author goes on to drop mail, advertising matter, registered and special delivery mail, postcards, second-, third-, and fourth-class mail postage due, and international short paid or unpaid mail. Postage due forms, invoices and markings are explained, and short paid domestic and international air mail from 1927 to 2019 is dealt with in its own chapter.

A brief concluding section covers late-received items not covered in the appropriate chapters. Topics include a Civil War "Soldier's Letter" handstamp, registered tags on domestic and international parcels, and the pressure-sensitive "U" package label that speeded up handling of merchandise.

A bibliography and detailed subject index complete this thorough treatise. Tony Wawrukiewicz not only continues to educate collectors on the byways of our country's postal history. He also reveals his sources of government publications used in his research, and in some cases has made them available online to collectors who want to explore on their own. These tools include the U.S. Postal Bulletins, the U.S. Postal Laws and Regulations, and the U.S. Postal Guides.

-Reviewed by Alan Warren

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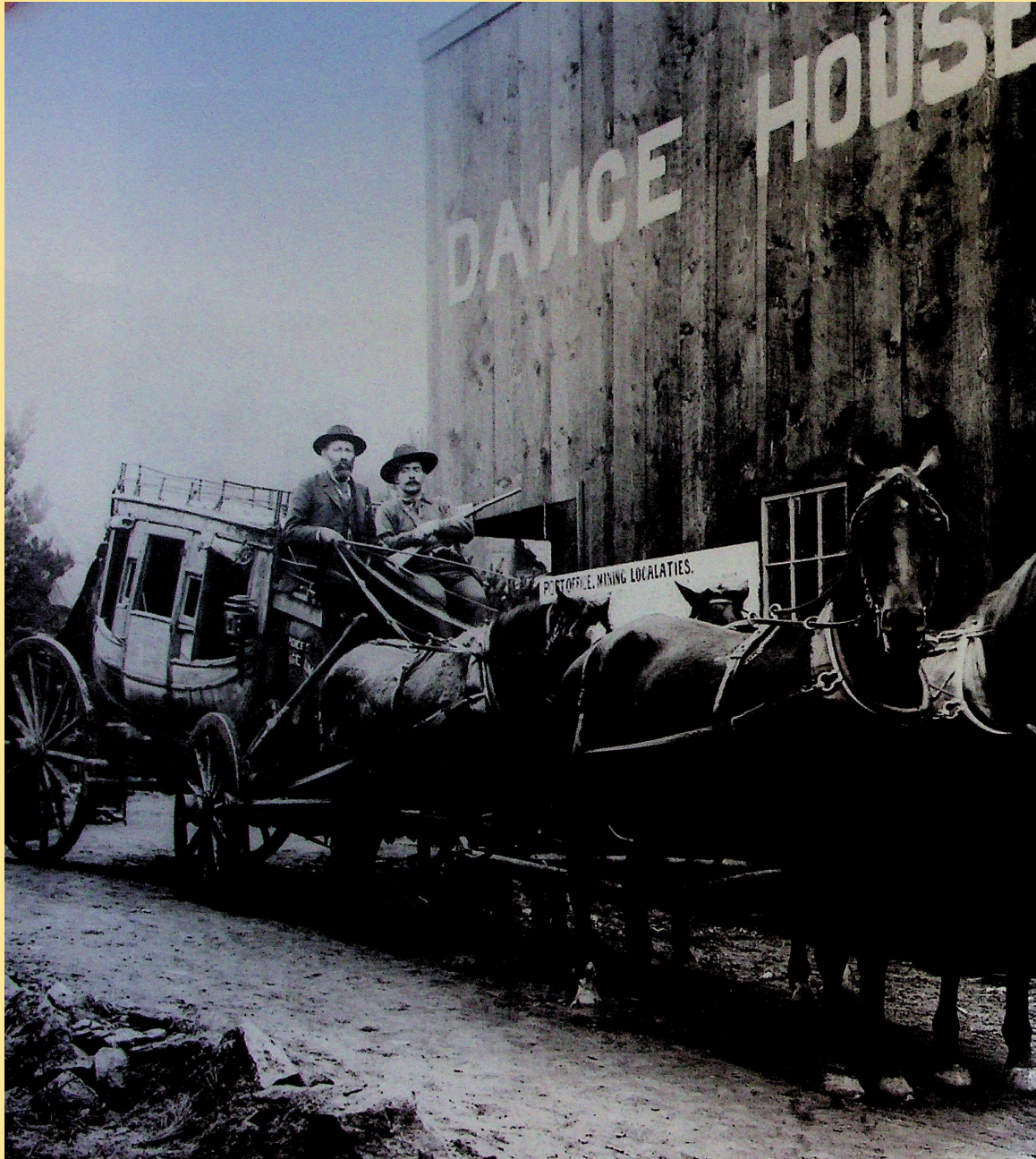


REVENUE STAMPED PAPER
(PAPEL SELADO)
of MOÇAMBIQUE

BY
JOHN K. CROSS

Remember When?

BELOW: Stagecoaches, such as the one shown here leaving San Francisco in 1894, carried passengers, cargo and mail through the West's rugged terrain.



From An American Postal Portrait, available in the Library.

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