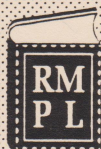


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## WHAT'S HAPENING at the RMPL

*"come and enjoy the activities"*

### FEBRUARY 1994

**Mondays:** February 7, 14, 28  
Open 10 - 4  
**Thursdays:** February 3, 10, 17, 24  
Open 2 - 8  
**Saturdays:** February 5, 12, 19, 26  
Open 10 - 4  
**Closed :** February 21 - President's Day  
**February 10 - Meeting**  
Topical Philatelists In Colorado - 7:30 PM  
**February 17 - "ABC's of Philately"**  
"Europa" by Tony Van Loij - 7:00 PM  
**February 21 - Meeting**  
Aurora Stamp Club - 7:30 PM  
**February 22 - Meeting**  
ROMPEX Committee - 7:30 PM

### MARCH 1994

**Mondays:** March 7, 14, 21, 28  
Open 10 - 4  
**Thursdays:** March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
Open 2 - 8  
**Saturdays:** March 5, 12, 19, 26  
Open 10 - 4  
**March 17 - "ABC's of Philately"**  
"Philatelic Forgeries - Album Weeds"  
A slide show assembled by Dan Stone  
Narrated by Jack Willard - 7:00 PM

### ABC's OF PHILATELY SERIES

Although attendance has been sparse, we are continuing to sponsor this series. The next in the series is the "E subject" which will be held on February 17th when Tony Van Loij will educate us in the stamps related to "Europa". The session starts at 7:00 PM at the RMPL.

The "F subject" will be a presentation by Jack Willard who will show us slides compiled by Dan Stone entitled "Philatelic Forgeries - Album Weeds". This will be held on March 17th at 7:00 PM at the RMPL.

These programs are presented by philatelists who have an interest in a specific philatelic specialty and are willing to share their "expertise" with you. Take advantage of these opportunities to broaden your knowledge by attending - and bring a friend.

Do we have any suggestions, or volunteers, for the "G", "H", or "I" subject areas which will be scheduled for the third Thursdays of April, May, and June?

### CATALOGS

by Bruce Cary

The library is growing with the recent addition of shelf space for Auction Catalogs. So far eleven boxes of auction catalogs have been sorted by auction house and placed on the shelves. Whenever possible these are accompanied by the Prices Realized.

The arrangement of these catalogs is still being worked on but should be completed soon. The next step is to get these in the card catalog.

It must be noted that a lot of valuable information is contained within the covers of these catalogs. Color photographs, descriptions, and sometimes short stories of some of the world's rare stamps, blocks, and covers abound.

Both U. S. and Foreign auctions houses are represented; some deal with world wide selections; some are specialized such as Austria, China, Germany; some are postal history only.

The RMPL collection of Auction Catalogs represents houses from A (Advanced Philatelics) to Z (Al Zimmerman). Come, read, use our auction catalogs and enjoy with me the fun and pleasure that I have found in working up this library section for you.

### DONATIONS TO RMPL CONTINUE

Donations of all kinds of philatelic literature continue to appear at the RMPL. We are most pleased with the great variety of materials that we are receiving. At the present time we are accepting any type of philatelic literature with the exception of American Philatelist after 1950 and La Posta. Before contributing any copies of Scott's Catalogs it would be wise to check with the library as they are fairly complete. After we have 2 copies of any item we are putting the additional copies on our "For Sale" table at ridiculously low prices. Some of the extra copies are being donated to schools with stamp clubs, also.

We suggest that you look through your philatelic literature accumulations and clean off a shelf or two by donating the items to the RMPL. Don't forget, we are accepting copies of Auction Catalogs, also.

If you cannot make it out to the library with your donation items, call and we will make arrangements to pick up the material. Should you wish to ship items via UPS send them to 8040 E. Dartmouth #17, Denver, CO 80231. We are doing it this way since the library is open only 3 days per week and deliveries have become difficult because of that.

## NEW ACQUISITIONS

Among the many donations we have recently received are --

### **Television set**

### **Kodak Carousel Slide Projector**

### **Postal History of the AEF**

**1917-1923**

from the War Covers Club

### **Introduction to the Stamps of**

### **Mexico**

by Dale Pulver

### **United States Doanes**

by Richard Helbock

### **Scotland In Stamps**

by C. W. Hill

### **Abandoned Towns of Iowa**

by David C. Mott

### **Holmes Specialized Philatelic**

### **Catalog of Canada**

10th Edition

### **Canada's Postage Stamps**

by Douglas and Mary Patrick

### **County Systems of R F D**

by Edith R. Doane

### **Tin Can Mail**

by Lawrence S. Clark

### **Railroad Postmarks of the U. S.**

**1861-1886**

by Charles Towle

## VOLUNTEER TRAINING MEETINGS HELD

Volunteer training meetings were held on January 6th and 10th as announced in the previous "Scribblings". A total of 12 people attended these sessions which were given by Ellengail and Don Beuthel. We are pleased that so many took the time to learn more about your library and, as a result, can now more efficiently assist you as you use the library. As we progress, other meetings will be scheduled to accommodate those of you who signed up as volunteers but could not attend the previous sessions and to allow input from the active volunteers.

## MEET YOUR RMPL VOLUNTEERS

*This column will appear in each issue. We intend to express our appreciation for the unselfish work and time provided by various area philatelists who volunteer to keep the RMPL open and functioning.*

Our featured volunteer for this issue is Ellengail Beuthel. Ellengail is not a stamp collector, but in a moment of weakness told her husband, Don, that she would do the cataloging for the library, if it ever came into being. She has a Master's

Degree in Librarianship from the University of Denver and recently retired from the Denver Public Schools where she worked as a Librarian, Supervised DPS Cataloging and Technical Services, Library Planner, etc. for over 30 years. She brings these years of experience and expertise to the RMPL and as a result we will have a library where we will easily be able to find the materials that we choose to use. At the time of the writing of this column she has completed over 250 volunteer hours and has cataloged over half of the "book materials" that have been donated. She admits that at the time she "volunteered" to do the cataloging of the RMPL, she never dreamed that the job would be so extensive.

The Board of Directors wants to thank Ellengail for her many "Volunteer Hours" and for the work that she has accomplished - work that we never could have paid to have done at this stage in the development of the RMPL.

It is with pride that we feature a volunteer who has done so much for your library.

## LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS COMMITTEE - SURVEY

Steve Schweighofer, Jack Willard, and Greg Frantz have been appointed by RMPL President Don Beuthel to serve on the RMPL Acquisitions Committee. It will be their job to determine what philatelic material should be purchased for the library. At the present time the RMPL has a very limited amount of money available for the purchase of materials, but we are planning for the future when we hope to be able to budget larger amounts for purchases. We want to be certain that the money is spent on the materials that would best serve the members.

The committee feels that their first job is to attempt to determine what literature the members of the RMPL want in their library. A survey sheet is included with this issue of "Scribblings" in which they are giving you the opportunity for input. They ask that you take the time to fill out the sheet and return it. It will help to guide them in their planning for future purchases. The RMPL can't get what you need, if you don't tell it what you need. Please return the survey, today.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers on a regular schedule are needed for the Saturday shifts of 10-1 and 1-4. This has been the most difficult for us to fill. Can you help by working one of these shifts on a regular basis, or even alternating weeks? Call Don Beuthel at 755-9328 if you would be willing to help.

## SATURDAY MORNING RMPL ACTION

Jack Willard reminisces frequently about the "good old days" when philatelists used to gather on Saturday mornings at the A. E. Pade Stamp Store, or more recently at Peterson's Stamp Shop. He said good times were had by all as they "talked stamps", told some tall philatelic tales, and maybe even traded a few items over the coffee pot.

Jack thinks that the RMPL could serve as the locale for a return of this old tradition. Although the library doesn't officially open until 10:00, there seems to be a small group that starts to arrive earlier and the coffee pot is started. Why don't you join Jack and the other Saturday "early birds" for some of this long neglected philatelic socializing.

## RMPL "WISH LIST"

Included on this list are items that the RMPL would like to receive as donations:

### **Metal Bookends**

### **Upright Magazine Holders**

### **Vacuum Cleaner (working, of course)**

### **V C R**

(to hook up to our TV for video tapes)

### **Floor Display Cases**

### **Christmas Tree and Decorations**

### **Mint U. S. Stamps for Mailings**