EMPIRE STATE POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY



UNIT 26

Bulletin

February, 1973

Minutes of January 28, 1973 meeting:

President De Graff opened the meeting at 1:30 P.M. There were 17 members present.

George Bernadt reported that Cal Hahn had sent Warren Stevens some material for the forthcoming Journal. Ed Fisk was asked to talk to Stevens and clarify the material actually in Warren's possession.

Cliff Tuttle reported on activities of the Awards Committee. The Society is making available, for philatelic exhibitions, an Award Certificate for the best exhibit of New York postal history material. For regional shows, UNIPEX for example, a Trophy would be made available. Cliff appealed for a volunteer, preferably from the western part of the state, to join himself and Harry Taber as a member of the Awards Committee. Cliff has received requests for the Certificate from two clubs recently, KAPEX 73 to be held in Poughkeepsie April 28, 29 being one. In view of the regional interest of our society, Certificates are being limited as to availability to east of the Mississippi River. Cliff also sends back to the club requesting information an application blank for membership in ESPHS so that perhaps the stimulus for becoming a member will be greater.

It was suggested that the "Rules and Regulations" in determining eligibility for the Certificate or Trophy be attached to the Bulletin. This was agreed to.

Ed Fisk invited our membership to have its annual meeting in Buffalo on May 26 and 27. It was the concensus of those present, that while this might stimulate more people to join ESPHS in the Buffalo area, that the opposite effect would be to effectively discourage those now regularly attending the meetings due to the distance involved. However, a regional meeting could very well be held there.

It was decided that ESPHS would hold a convention at Rochester during the 1973 ROPEX 73 which will be June 22, 23, 24 at the Flagship-Rochester, 70 State Street, Rochester, N.Y. The S.P.A. will also have its spring meeting there.

If the ESPHS is approached by the Central New York Federation of Philatelic Societies for an ad in their forthcoming directory, it was decided to support this with an approximate \$25 limit. It would be nice to have the back page as was the case in the previous 1969-70 edition.

The next meeting of ESPHS will be held at Rizzo's restaurant on Sunday, March 4, 1973.

John Lange, Acting Secretary

ROPEX 73

The Rochester Philatelic Association presents ROPEX 73 to be held on June 22, 23 and 24, 1973 at the Flagship-Rochester, 70 State Street, Rochester, N.Y. The Association will celebrate its Diamond Jubilee at this time and will be the host for the Spring Meeting of the Society of Philatelic Americans, one of America's premier philatelic societies. A variety of exhibits, bourse and post office stations of the U.S., U.N. and Canadian postal administrations will be well worth seeing.

ESPHS members are urged to prepare exhibits of postal history and also to attend ROPEX and participate in the various activities.

General Chairman is Andrew B. Hale, 61 Douglas Road, Rochester, N.Y. 14610, who will be glad to furnish more particulars.

NEXT MEETING

At Rizzo's on Sunday, March 4, 1973. Let us make it a well attended meeting.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

BERGENDAHL, RAYMOND L. 47 E. Main Street, Mohawk, N.Y. 13407 References: ESPHS member W. Ray Staplin, Sr., Utica, N.Y. Interests: General covers and stamps.

DAVIS, ALLAN R. 18 Ridge Lane, Levittown, N.Y. 11756
References: ESPHS member Charles Hoffer, Cornwall, N.Y. and Edith Doane, 279 4th Ave.,
East Orange, N.J. 07017
Interests: Postmarked 3x5 cards and covers, particularly those of discontinued NYS
offices.

RUTH, ROGER A. 390 Rock Beach Road, Rochester, N.Y. 14617 References: None required (APS #41796) Interests: U.S. singles and covers before 1900; Cut Squares and Revenues

Note: Until April 15 address 1131 No. Moonmist Ct., Sarasota, Fla. 33581

NEW PUBLICATION:

At the last Executive Board meeting it was voted to proceed with the publication of our definitive list of New York State post offices which have, at one time or another, used a manuscript identification in place of the usual handstamp, the "manuscript offices" as they are generally known.

We were about to go to press when a wealth of new information came in and now Lee DeGraff is patiently re-typing his work.

The book will likely become a standard reference work just as the Federal Post Offices of New York State 1792-1969 has been. The new work will be a limited printing and members are cautioned to watch for the notice of publication.

It will be for sale, cost to be determined after printing costs are known. Our members will have first call and will receive an advantage over non-members by a discount policy.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws, I herewith issue the call for nomination of candidates for the election of 1973. The posts to be filled are President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer and 3 Directors. Any member may forward the names of candidates to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Ken de Lisle.

All members are eligible to hold office and all officers are eligible for reelection except the President may not serve more than two succeeding terms. As I have already served the two terms, I am not eligible for election as President.

Lee S. DeGraff President

The incumbent officers whose terms expire are President DeGraff, Vice President Bernadt, Secretary-Treasurer de Lisle and Directors Hahn, Nelson and Staplin. The President, Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer serve a two-year terms, the Directors serve a three-year term. All the officers are eligible for nomination to their present offices, or any other office. The President this year is not able to run for re-election, however, he is eligible for nomination to any other post.

Please send your nominations for candidates to Ken de Lisle, 54 Ramsey Place, Albany, N.Y. Nominations close March 20, 1973.

PLEASE do not send in the name of a candidate unless you have first secured his consent to stand for election.

Ballots containing the names of candidates who have received at least three nominations or seconding nominations will be mailed in April and should be returned to arrive not later than three days prior to the annual meeting on May 6, 1973.

Those attending the annual meeting are eligible to cast their ballot in person.

CHANGE IN FISCAL YEAR:

As announced in the January Bulletin, we will vote at our next meeting on a change in the By-Laws. It is proposed to change the fiscal year so that instead of ending on May 31 it will end on April 30 each year. This change is necessary to bring the fiscal year into harmony with the club year. The Executive Board recommends your approval of the change.

If approved, annual dues will date from May 1, 1973 and notices will go out in April. The current year will be an 11-month year. It will have no effect on the revenues and will have very little effect on the disbursements anticipated in our 1972-73 budget.

KAPEX 73

Members are reminded of the tri-club exhibit (Kingston-Albany-Poughkeepsie) held on a rotating basis annually. Host this year, April 28-29, will be the Dutchess Philatelic Society. The Poughkeepsie club will have brand new frames and a beautiful array of awards. The ESPHS will have one or more certificates available for the postal history winners, so get that exhibit ready.

For information write Arthur H. Carver, 1 Nassau Road, Poughkeepsie, N.Y. 12601

January 15, 1973

TREASURER	'S REPORT: June 1, 1972	to December 31, 1972	
Bank Balances: Checking Account, May 31, 1972 Savings Account, May 31, 1972			\$ 115.71 1,548.07
			1,663.78
REVENUE:	Dues Registration Fees	\$ 425.00 13.00	438.00
SALES:	Federal PO Book Manuscript PO Book PO Listings Back Issues Journals	10.00 18.00 3.50 3.00	34.50
MISCELL:	Microfilm Rental Adlets	.50 2.00	2.50
INTEREST ON SAVINGS ACCOUNT			35.03
			\$ 2,173.81
DISBURSEMENTS:			
Printi	ing: Bulletin Stationery Membership Cards	47.55 59.28 5.05	111.88
Posta	ge: Bulletins Secretary	28.80 14.88	43.68
Rochester Trophy			30.87
Rent Meeting Room, Exec. Bd. Meeting			20.00
			\$ 212.43
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1972			\$ 1,961.38 ————
Bank Balances: Checking Account, December 31, 1972 Savings Account, December 31, 1972		\$ 378.28 1,583.10	
			\$ 1,961.38

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary-Treasurer