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And Federation Reporter
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SANDICAL coming in February

SANDICAL 2004 will feature the AAMS 2004 Annual Convention along with the usual exhibits and a dealers' bourse. (For details of the show, see the In brief box in column 3, and for the notice of the Federation meeting, see the box below.)

SANDICAL will be at the Al-Bahr Shrine Temple in San Diego, Feb. 6-8.

More information about the show may be obtained from Dr. G.A. Santangelo, P.O. Box 80004, San Diego, CA 92138-0004; phone: 619-463-8336.

Much of the information for this story is taken from the SANDICAL Web site and the AAMS Web site (see the In brief box for their URLs).

SANDICAL offers exhibitors every APS-sanctioned class — multi-frame, single frame and juniors — as well as every division, postal, revenue, thematic, illustrated mail, charity-promotional-Cinderella, and dis-

play.

SANDICAL is an APS-accredited World Series of Philately (WSP) national competition sponsored by the San Diego County Philatelic Council.

The San Diego Exhibiting Workshop will sponsor a hands-on workshop for both old and new exhibitors.

Our Prospectus and Entry Form are now available

AAMS activities include the following (this is a tentative schedule):

Friday Feb. 6

10 a.m.: Talk by Jon Johnson

11 a.m.: 5 Cent Beacon Airmail Study Group Meeting

Saturday Feb. 7

10 a.m.: American Airmail Society General Meeting

11 a.m.: Talk by Jim Graue on Zeppelin Atlantic Crossings

2 p.m.: Talk by George

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In brief

What: SANDICAL, sponsored by the San Diego County Philatelic Council

When: Feb. 6-8, 2004. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Where: Al Bahr Shrine Temple, San Diego. Hotel: Hotel: Ramada Inn, 5550 Kearney Mesa Road, San Diego (Phone 858-278-0800)

On the Net: SANDICAL:
<http://www.franadams.com/sdcal/sandical.html>

American Air Mail Society:
<http://www.americanairmailociety.org/>

NEXT FEDERATION MEETING

The next Federation meeting will be at 3 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 7, 2004, during SANDICAL. The meeting will be either at the Al Bahr Shrine, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road, the location of the stamp show, or at the adjoining hotel. Check the list of meetings at the show to determine the exact site.

About us

The Philatelic Review is published three times a year by The Federated Philatelic Clubs of Southern California.

The SESCAL Web site, which also includes information about the Federation and a list of member clubs, is at www.sescal.org

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VENPEX scheduled March 13-14

VENPEX, the annual show of the Ventura County Philatelic Society, will be March 13-14 at Santa Clara High School, 2121 Saviers Road, Oxnard.

The hours will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday. Admission and parking will be free.

As of this writing, four dealers — Bruce Barnes, Douglas Gary, Frosty Godfrey and Henry Sandoval — have signed up, but the society hopes for 10-15.

Anyone wishing to exhibit should contact show chairman Jerry Harwood, Jerry Harwood, 3600 S. Harbor Blvd., No. 84, Oxnard, CA

93035-4136; phone (805) 644-4022; or e-mail jebay63@aol.com for more information.

Dealers interested in having a VENPEX table should contact bourse chairman John Weigle, P.O. Box 6536, Ventura, CA 93006-6536; phone (805) 485-7121; e-mail jweigle@vcnet.com.

VENPEX, the Ventura County Philatelic Exhibition, is the society's third major outreach event — the other two being the Ventura County Fair booth and the Youth Stamp Fair in October, National Stamp Collecting Month..

The VCPS Web site is <http://www.west.net/~haydn/vcphil.html>.

More on SANDICAL ...

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Cosentini, V-Mail Air Mail.

3 p.m.: Critique of exhibits

5 p.m.: Maj. Ted Bahry talk, USMC Air Mail

7 p.m.: Open Bar no host bar (at Ramada Inn)

8 p.m.: Award Banquet (cost \$40)

Sunday Feb. 8

8:30 A.M. American Air Mail Society Breakfast open to all. Cost \$14. Auction will follow open only to AAMS members.

2004 marks 60th year of SESCAL

By Wallace Craig

SESCAL chairman

Well we are starting to do our basic plans for SESCAL '04.

This will be our 60th year, which is hard to believe. We are looking forward to having the China Society, Hungarian and the United Postal Sta-

tionery Society.

To add to SESCAL '04 we are looking for a very exciting show. There is a lot to look forward to.

We are going to have our first committee meeting for 2004 at SANDICAL on Feb. 7.

(Wallace Craig can be reached by e-mail at WAMCraig@aol.com)

Encourage your club's members to participate in SESCAL '04

Minutes of the Federated Philatelic Clubs of Southern California

Meeting of Oct. 4, 2003

The meeting commenced a little after 3 p.m. with 15 members and guests present. The Treasurer, Waltraud Helms, reported a balance in the Federation account as of Aug. 31 of \$296.30. The balance from June 1, had been \$332.32; expenses of \$56.02, and membership dues of \$20, thus the present financial condition of the organization. A special committee was established in order to find additional Federation officers. It looks like we will be able to report next time that our composition of officers will be complete.

In a response to a request at the last Federation meeting, I sent a letter to Winand Hess, a former Historian of our organization, to return archival material so an exhibit can be mounted for SESCAL'S 60th

Anniversary next year. Unfortunately, no response has been forthcoming. If any member has material going back these past 60 years, please give them to your representative to have at our next meeting. I will gladly accept any material, donated or loaned, for this special anniversary. We are hoping to have some special events, cake and libations etc., in order to celebrate this milestone in our organization's history. If you would like to send me material, the name and address is; William O'Connor, 3803 Foxglove Lane, Fallbrook, CA 92028.

Wallace Craig gave an interim report on how SESCAL was doing. By all accounts, the show was doing well with attendance, and the comments generally from vendors and visitors were most positive. A

full report from the SESCAL committee will be presented at the SANDICAL show, Feb. 7, right after the Federation meeting.

It is hoped that all clubs will try to send a representative to our next meeting, which will be held at SANDICAL, Feb. 7, 2004, at 3 p.m. The meeting will be held either at the Al Bahr Shrine, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road, the location of the stamp show, or at the adjoining hotel. As my possible last report as Acting Secretary, I would like to extend a new year's greeting to all members and stamp collectors in Southern California for 2004.

**Submitted,
William O'Connor,
President-Elect
and Acting Secretary**

Bit of Federation history found at SESCAL '03

A piece of Federation history was found in a SESCAL 2003 dealer's cover box, showing only a boxed Oxnard, Calif., cancel and an address. The dealer mentioned it was a stamp club newsletter, and it turned out to be Vol. 2, No. 4, of the Federated Philatelic Clubs of Southern California Bulletin, dated Jan. 15, 1948.

The typeset bulletin is eight pages, which measure 5½ by 6 inches, and was published every month by Landon C. Wait of Oxnard, the Federation secretary and apparently a dealer.

It reports news from 33 member clubs, including the Womans Philatelic Society, based in Los Angeles, and the Stamp Dealers Association of

So. Calif. Inc.; contains a few advertisements; reports on a coming stamp show sponsored by the Oneonto Stamp Club, which expected 100 frames of exhibits; and notes that the Federation's regular monthly meeting would be held Friday, Feb. 13, at the Pasadena Athletic Club. The San Gabriel Valley Philatelic Society was the host.

Editor's corner**Among our top stories: Federation Philatelist of Year**

As this is written, I have just received my Linn's Stamp News that wraps up the big news of 2003.

I'm tempted to do my own top 10 list of stories involving Southern California philately, but, because my work schedule doesn't let me attend most Federation meetings, I probably don't know most of them — and some of the ones I do know I'd rather not put in print at the moment.

But it seems to me that topical collectors must have had a good year, with the issuing of "Lord of the Rings" stamps by New Zealand possibly starting a new col-

lecting topic — or at least expanding on the movies on stamps topic.

The Federation, of course, had its annual big story, the naming of a Philatelist of the Year, chosen by last year's winner, Dr. Larry Parks.

Here is what he said about his choice, Dr. Jerome V. V. Kasper:

Physical chemist with BS from Cal Tech and PhD from UC Berkeley; Associate Professor of Physical Chemistry at UCLA 1966-82.

Now a senior scientist at Aerospace Corp.

Lifelong philatelist specializ-

ing for the past 30 years in aerogrammes of the world, exhibiting and winning many awards, both in the United States and abroad, including the single frame Champion of Champions at the 2001 APS show in Riverside, Calif., for his New Zealand Prisoner of War aerogrammes. Incidentally, he received the VENPEX 2003 Grand Award for his Aerogramme Errors, Freaks and Oddities.

I hope all your stamp collecting dreams came true at Christmas and that 2004 will be good to all of you.

— **John Weigle, editor**

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