



The PHILATELIC REVIEW

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SESCAL set for Oct. 1-3 at new location

SESCAL moves to a new location — the Hilton Los Angeles Airport Hotel, 5711 W. Century Blvd., Los Angeles — this year. The Hilton is close to the Radisson, the show site for the past several years, and should not be hard to find (see the map on page 2).

This year's show will be Friday-Sunday, Oct. 1-3. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday.

Admission is free. Parking is \$7 with validation.

The show theme is the Centennial of America's First Air Race, which were held in Los Angeles at Dominguez Hills. A cachet and pictorial cancel will be available.

The cachets are \$2.50 each or \$7 for the set of three. They can be ordered by sending a No. 10 SASE and check payable to SESCAL to:

SESCAL Cachets
c/o Michael Litvak
1866 Loma Vista St.
Pasadena, CA 91104-4005

The postmarks may be requested by mail by writing:

SESCAL Pictorial Postmark
c/o Alvetia E Smith
USPS Manager of Special Events
7001 S Central Avenue #316
Los Angeles, CA 90052-9998

The 66th SESCAL is sponsored by the Federated Philatelic Clubs of South-

SESCAL at a glance

WHAT: SESCAL 2010.

WHERE: Hilton Los Angeles Airport Hotel, 5711 W. Century Blvd., Los Angeles (map on page 2).

DATES AND HOURS: Friday, Oct. 1, and Saturday, Oct. 2, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday, Oct. 3, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

FEDERATION MEETING: 1 p.m., Saturday.

ADMISSION: Free admission, validated parking \$7.

FEATURES: Dealers, exhibits, Regency Superior auction, society meetings.

WEB SITE: www.sescal.org

ern California, which will hold a regular meeting at 1 p.m. Saturday. The schedule of events is posted on the website, along with a list of exhibits. The list of dealers had not been posted as of Sunday, Sept. 12.

SESCAL features include competitive exhibits, a dealers' bourse, and national conventions of the China Stamp Society, the Éire Philatelic Association and the American Society for Netherlands Philately. Many other groups, including the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors, American First Day Cover Society, Plate Number Coil Collectors Club, U.S. Philatelic Classics Society, The Postal History Foundation/Arizona Rangers and the Virtual Stamp Club, will hold meetings during the show.

The United States Postal Service and

the United Nations Postal Administration will be at the show.

Awards banquet

Awards will be presented at the Palmares Banquet at 7 p.m. Saturday in the hotel's Carmel Room.

Banquet chairman Mrs. Betty Green said that those who want to attend the banquet should order tickets by Sept. 29 to ensure seating.

Tickets are \$49 each and can be ordered by mail from Mrs. Betty Green, 15125 Arlette Drive, Victorville, CA 92394-2001.

Tickets will not be mailed but will be available at the show.

People with dietary requests or restrictions, should indicate them when

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Obituary: Werner Helms

(From the Orange County Philatelic Stamp News, September 2010)

Werner Helms has passed away recently. Werner joined OPCS in July 1977 and with his wife, Waltraud, participated in club activities for years. Both contributed generously of their time and knowledge. Werner was a national and interna-

tional award-winning exhibitor, and he was widely known among philatelists.

For years Werner was also active in the Federated Philatelic Clubs of Southern California and held almost all offices in that group. He was exhibit chairman for a number of years, and instrumental in making SESCAL a premier, world-

recognized, show held yearly in Los Angeles.

Werner and his firm handshake will be missed by philatelists throughout the United States and Europe.

The Federation extends its sympathy to the Helms family. — Editor

About us

The Philatelic Review is published irregularly 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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making their reservation.

The hotel

The SESCAL 2010 room rate is \$85 per night, single or double occupancy. One- and two-bedroom suites are also available. The special rate is available from Sept. 27 to Oct. 6. Reservations may be made by calling the hotel directly at 310-410-4000 or by using the Hilton's nationwide reservations number, 800-HILTONS.

When you call, you must mention the special SESCAL Group Code, "FPC" (for Federation of Philatelic Clubs) to get the SESCAL rate. If you are a Hilton HHonors member, give them your HHonors number to receive your points. If you are not, join first at the HHonors website. Reservations may also be made at the Hilton's Federated Philatelic Clubs of Southern California webpage.

Reservations must be received by Sept. 16 to receive the SESCAL rate.

The hotel has 25,000 square feet of meeting space and 1,234 guest rooms. SESCAL will be in the 13,000- square-foot Plaza ballroom in the

Lower Lobby.

The guest rooms and suites all have wireless high speed Internet access, large flat screen TVs, clock radio with MP3 connection, voice-mail, iron/ironing board and hairdryer.

Eating places include Bistro for casual anytime dining (open 24 hours a day); Café, buffets for breakfast, lunch and dinner, as well as an ala carte menu (open from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.); Andiamo, a Northern Italian restaurant (open from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Monday to Friday); and Landings, a sports bar (open seven days a week).

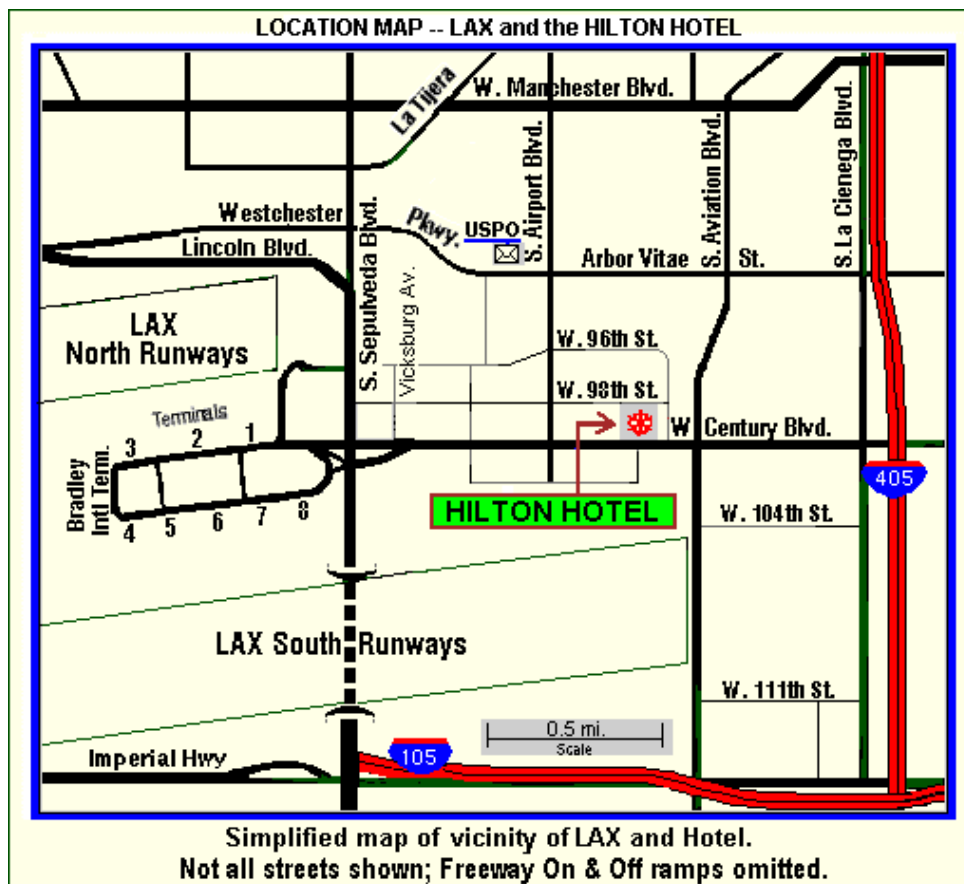
General information and committee

SESCAL is an APS World Series of Philately exhibition, making the Grand Award winner eligible to compete in the APS Champion of Champions exhibition at Stampshow 2011, Aug. 11-14 in Columbus, Ohio.

The Single-Frame Grand Award winner is eligible to participate in the APS Single-Frame Championship exhibition at AmeriStamp Expo 2011, Feb. 11-13 in Charleston, S.C.

The SESCAL chairman is Carl Shaff II, e-

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SESCAL conventions and meetings

For more information about the societies holding meetings at the show, visit their websites:

National conventions



China Stamp Society: <http://www.chinastampsociety.org>



Éire Philatelic Association: <http://www.eirephilatelicassoc.org>

American Society for Netherlands Philately: <http://www.angelfire.com/ca2/asnp>

Meetings

American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors: <http://www.aape.org>



American First Day Cover Society: <http://www.afdes.org>

Plate Number Coil Collectors Club: <http://www.pnc3.org>

U.S. Philatelic Classics Society: <http://www.uspcs.org>



Postal History Foundation/

Arizona Rangers: <http://www.postalhistoryfoundation.org/phfmain.htm>



Federated Philatelic Clubs of Southern California: <http://www.sescal.org/fedclubs.htm>

(Not all the organizations have logos on their websites.)

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mail C2shaff@aol.com.

Other committee members listed on the website are Past General Chairman Wallace Craig; Dealer Bourse Chairman Brian Metz; Philatelic Exhibits Chairman, Howard Green; Frame Guru Steven Radell; Frame Layout and Past Frame Guru James A. Bowman; Publicity Chairman Bill Miller; Awards Chair Jean

Kasper; Show Program Chair Jean Kasper; Secretary to the Philatelic Judges Lois M. Evans-de Violini; Banquet Chair Betty Green; Financial Chair Lois M. Evans-de Violini; Cachet Coordinator Michael Litvak; Admissions Chair Jerry and Gerry Winerman; Youth Activities Chairman Bill Janson; Society Coordinator Ed Field; FPCSC Ambassadors Chairman Greg Ouellette; and FPCSC News-

letter Editor John Weigle.

The SESCAL Philatelic Jury members are Dr. Mark E. Banchik, chairman, Great Neck, N.Y.; Donald A. Chafetz, El Cajon, Calif.; Guy R. Dillaway, Weston, Mass.; Dr. Frederick P. Lawrence, Gilbert, Ariz.; Henry H. Sweets, III, Hannibal, Mo.

Visit and support the SESCAL dealers; they make the show possible.

A major need for the Federation

It's been a year since the last SESC-CAL and the last issue of The Reporter, which means that, if there have been any federation meetings since the last SESC-CAL, no one told the editor about them.

If the Federation and SESC-CAL are going to survive, it's obviously time for volunteers to step forward and run for offices. Look at the list of officers on page 2 and count those listed as vacant: president-elect, vice president and secretary. And that doesn't even mention that Jerry Kasper completed his term some time ago and no longer lives in Southern California. Sooner or later, he is going to give up the job because it's hard enough to lead an organization when you live in the area it covers, and it becomes almost impossible to do so from any distance. The Federation is not like a national organization that can be governed by board members who live all over the country. It is a regional group that, if it's to survive,

must be led by people in its region.

Obviously, there's been no rush to line up for positions, which raises some serious questions about the future of the Federation and SESC-CAL, since the two are closely intertwined.

First: Do enough people care about the two organizations to want to keep them alive?

Second: If the only thing the Federation does is put on SESC-CAL, will member clubs continue to pay their dues? With the economy down, clubs might decide to cut their budgets a bit by dropping their membership.

Third: If the answer to the first question is yes, are any of those people willing to step forward to make it happen?

(Before you ask the seemingly obvious question, I considered volunteering because I expected to retire this year, but Scripps' plan to move The Star's editing and design jobs to Corpus Christi, Texas,

originally planned for August, has been extended to sometime next year. My work schedule remains Tuesday through Saturday, making it difficult to get time off to go to Federation meetings (I have arranged time off for SESC-CAL). Because the date is so uncertain, I don't think it's fair to the Federation — or to myself — to take on another duty at this time.

— *John Weigle, editor*

Coming events

SANDICAL: Jan 21-23, Al-Bahr Shrine Temple, 5440 Kearny Mesa Road San Diego, 858-292-0092. Hours: Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.–6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Website: www.sandical.org (not updated for 2011 show as of Sept. 6).

ORCOEXPO: Jan 28-30, Embassy Suites South, 11767 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove. Website: <http://www.stampshowsteve.com>

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