

# 2023 Greater Reno Stamp & Cover Show Report

By John Walter

The Hall of Fame Museum at the National Bowling Stadium in downtown Reno again hosted the stamp show. The preparations started on Friday, July 28, with **Eric Fields**, Show Chair, arriving early to check out the setup of the dealer tables. **John Walter**, **James Steckley** and **Robert Dragone** also came early to help.

By 11:30 **Mike Potter** was delivering 2 wooden pallets with the exhibit frames and other material. By noon there was a full crew, **Ken Hopple**, **Pat Crosby**, **Dave Gehringer** and **Howard Grenzebach**, to set up the 30 frames. Later in the afternoon **James Steckley** and **John Walter** were folding the printed programs.



Street sign in front of the bowling stadium.



Welcome desk at Sunday opening. **Erik Fields**, **Tuck Vosburg** and **James Steckley** welcoming visitors.

Sunday was a little slower with 86 people attending – down from last year. Thirty frames were available for exhibits with 6 competitive, 5 non-competitive, and 5 display frames mainly with My Favorite pages. Two exhibit frames (with displays only) were in the lobby of the bowling stadium. There was active bowling on Sunday on the fourth floor.

Two philatelic presentations were provided by **Tom Reyman**, a member from Scottsdale, AZ. Saturday afternoon he discussed and showed unique covers on the German “Dornier Do X Flying Boat.” There were 11 attendees. On Sunday was a presentation on “The Philatelic World of A.C. Roessler” showing covers and some discussion on his famous fake stamps and

The dealers were arriving early with Gary Riddle, Hannah, and Miyuki Oates helping. These individuals started helping with move-in when they were teenagers and now they are college graduates. Hospitality items were brought in by **Erik Fields** and **John Walter**.

Ten dealer tables were sold plus the USPS had a table. There were less visitors who came to sell collections this year. The attendance on Saturday was 144 (down slightly from last year). The annual Wing Fest cooking contest (one block away) was held on Friday and Saturday with many streets blocked off or one-way traffic creating problems for some attendees. People came early to spend time and money with the dealers.



**Tom Reyman** at booth for American Air Mail Society.

cover creations. Tom showed some unique covers during Roessler's business ventures. There were 12 attendees at the Sunday presentation.

## Exhibits

Frame #	Title	Awards	Exhibitor
1	All About Mongolia (Junior Exhibit)	<b>Bronze</b>	Donovan Sehr
2 - 5	Hollywood Legends	<b>Vermeil and People's Choice</b>	Jeanne Paquin
6 - 8	Canada Semi-Official Airmail Stamps and Covers 1924-1952	<b>Vermeil</b>	Thomas Reyman
9 - 10	My Favorite Pages	Display only	John Walter & Howard Grenzebach
11 - 13	U.S. Postal Cards 1873-1950 to Foreign Destinations	<b>Gold</b>	Larry Crain
14	The First Permanent Definitive Series Used in Ireland 1932-1939	Non-competitive	Robert Pope
15	Color Varieties of the Monarchy of Queen Elizabeth II	Non-competitive	Ana Calderon
16 - 17	Captain Robert Falcon Scott's British Expedition	<b>Silver Bronze</b>	Tom Hayes
18	Wilkinsburg Stamp Club's Souvenir Sheets	<b>Silver Bronze</b>	Nadiyah Beekun
19	Dealer's Choice - Marilyn Monroe Missing Color Pane	Display only	Nadiyah Beekun
20	Postal History of WWII US Army Stateside Training Camps Using Free Franks on Post Cards	Non-competitive	Mike DelGrosso
21 - 23	Leather Post Cards	Non-competitive	Dave Gehringer
24	The Career of Joseph N. Hemphill	Non-competitive	Mike Potter
25 - 26	My Favorite Pages	Display only	Howard Grenzebach
Welcome	Favorite Pages and Old Show Covers	Display only	John Walter
Lobby	My Favorite Pages	Display only	John Walter



Dave Gehringer at the youth table.

The youth table was very busy on both days as free stamps, albums, and other items were available. Some youth spent a few hours learning about stamps and different topics of interest. Parents and grandparents also enjoyed looking over the thousands of stamps available. Thanks to **Dave Gehringer** who was at the table for the entire 2 days of the show and answered many questions from both the youth and parents/grandparents. Dave says it was the best show yet for the number of youth coming to the table.

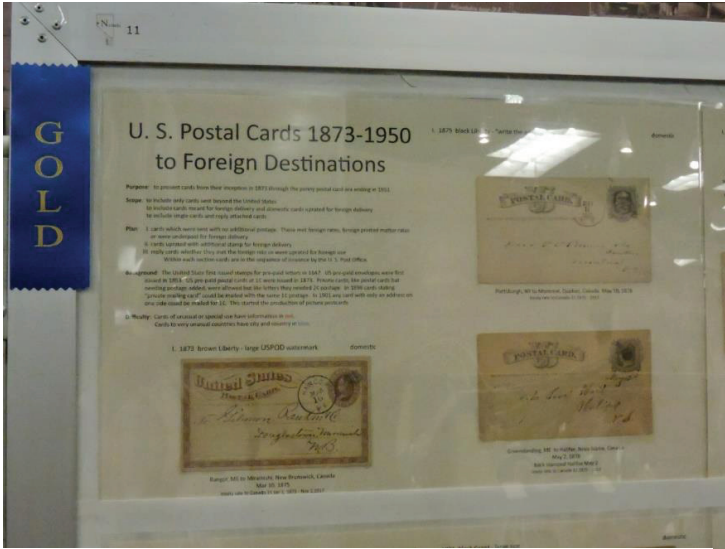
Many members volunteered both days at the Welcome Table, they included: **James Steckley, Mike Potter, Gary Atkinson, Dave Parsons, Jeanne Paquin, Tuck Vosburg, Erik Fields, and Howard Kadohiro.**



The take-down crew on Sunday had the following club members helping with the frames: **Mike Potter, Pat Crosby, Gary Atkinson, Howard Kadohiro, Erik Moody, Steve Foster and Tom Reyman.**



The “heavy lifting” crew: Gary Atkinson, Pat Crosby, Howard Kadohiro, Mike Potter, Eric Moody.



Larry Crain’s Gold winning exhibit.



Gary Atkinson looking over the My Favorite page frames.

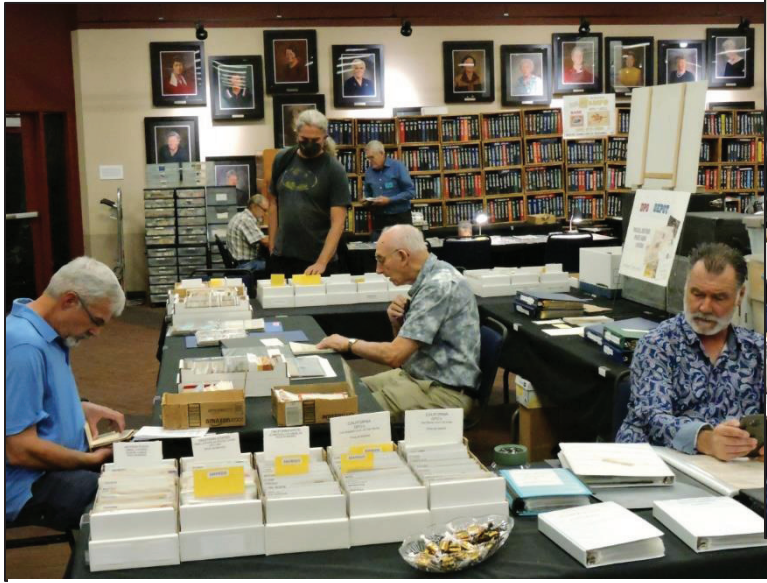


Mark Baker’s table with members, Eugene Smoots, Howard Kadohiro, and Larry Crain.



Tom Reyman giving a presentation on the German Dornier Do X Flying Boat.





Dealer table with Mike DelGrosso (center) and Robert Dragone (right).



Nadiyah Beekun's table.



Kyle Nybo's dealer table.



Peter Gutter's dealer table.



Ed Dimick's double dealer table.