

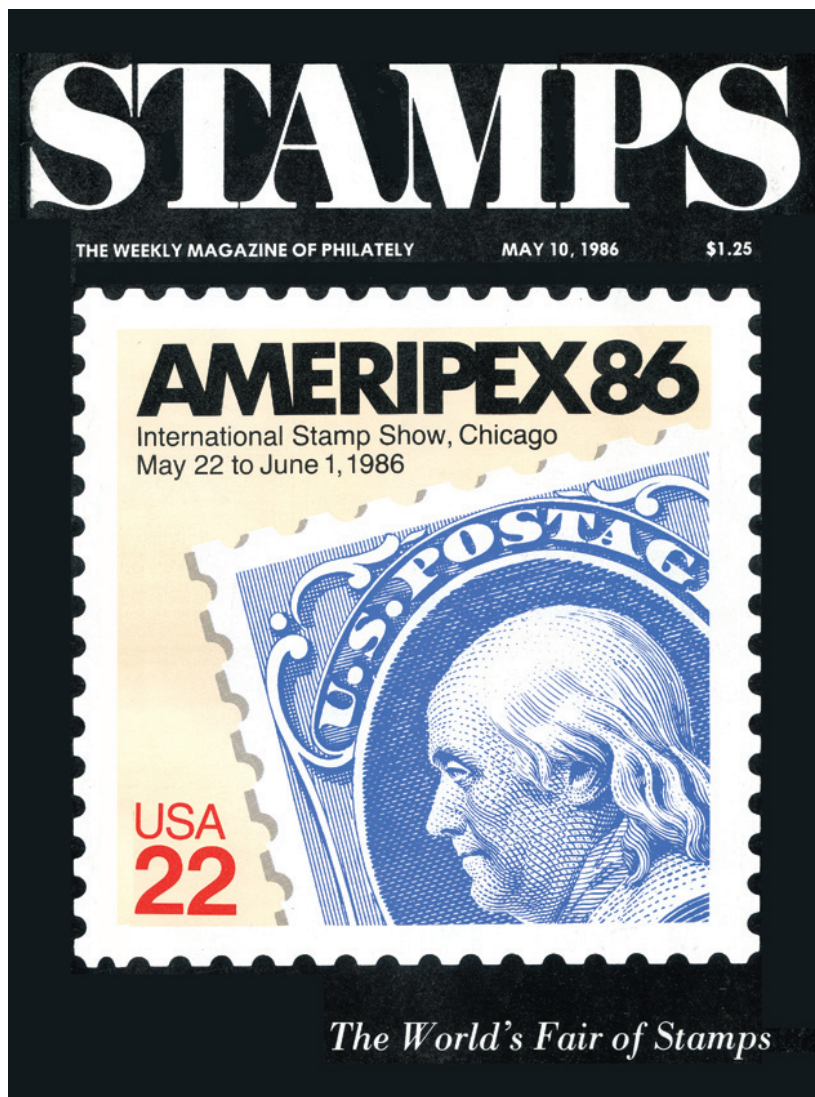
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World Stamp Show NY 2016 News Update

NEWSLETTER 11 RELEASED

World Stamp Show-NY 2016 has issued its eleventh and final quarterly newsletter. The exhibition runs for eight days from Saturday May 28 through Saturday June 4 at the Javits Center in New York City.

The newsletter is the organization's largest with 12 pages of the latest details about the once-in-a-decade event. It may be downloaded directly from the show website, <http://www.ny2016.org/>, by selecting News Updates under the Show Info Menu. Here's a brief summary of the contents:

- Exhibition president Wade Saadi explains in his opening column, "World Stamp Show-NY 2016 will have something for every collector and in most cases, way more material than you can consume."

- Four of the seven USPS first day of issue releases scheduled to take place are depicted.

- News about the U.N. Postal Administration's Peacekeeper issue with a preliminary image and 65th UNPA Anniversary personalized sheet ceremonies is also referenced.

- Show theme days and subjects are now set, and are listed later in this News Update.

- Preliminary exhibitor details are given for the first time. There are 4,118 frames among all competitive classes totaling 697 exhibits from 76 different countries.

- Collectors are also reminded that the hotel room rate discounts arranged by the show will end as of April 23 when the properties revert to full price. Attendees are asked to making reservations now to avoid disappointment. Maps of the show-sponsored hotels in New York and New Jersey are found at the end of the newsletter.

WEBSITE UPDATES

In addition to Newsletter #11, other information at the World Stamp Show website includes the complete schedule of meetings and events, by selecting Meeting/Events on the News Updates page. The 128 attending societies and organizations manning booths and/or sponsoring meetings is believed to be a record number for any international exhibition.

The dealer and postal administration listing also is too large to include in the newsletter. The updated dealer list can be viewed under Bourse on the World Stamp Show website. Collectors are encouraged to contact dealers directly before the show to express their interests. (In this edition of *Mekeel's & STAMPS* we have ads from many of the participating dealers, with contact information and direct links.)

Full show information is online at <http://www.ny2016.org>. Send questions to info@ny2016.org.

THEME DAYS & USPS EVENTS

TBA = To Be Announced

Saturday, May 28 – The World of Stamps Day

9:15 – WSS-NY 2016 Opening Ceremony

11:00 - USPS First Day Ceremony Stamp: TBA

Sunday, May 29 – Learning Never Ends Day

11:00 – USPS First Day Ceremony. Stamp: TBA

Monday, May 30 – Armed Forces Day

11:00 – USPS First Day Ceremony. Stamp: TBA

Tuesday, May 31 – Science Meets Stamps Day

11:00 – Special New Stamp Unveiling

Wednesday, June 1 – U.S. Stamp Day

11:00 – USPS First Day Ceremony. Stamp TBA:

Thursday, June 2 - Beautiful Americas Day – U.N. Day

11:00 – USPS First Day Ceremony. Stamp: TBA

Friday, June 3 – Children of the World Day

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Saturday, June 4: Topical Collecting Day

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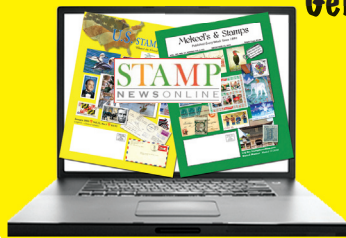
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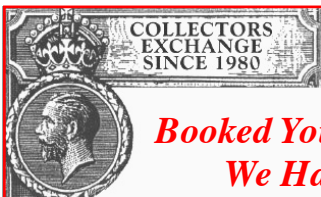
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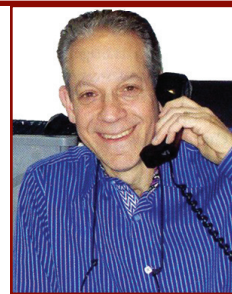
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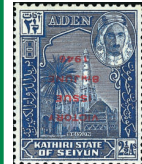
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Yesterday in STAMPS:

The Eighth U.S. International, Part Two

Ameripex, May 22 to June 1, 1986, Chicago

As I stated in our March 4 edition, AMERIPEX was one of the most successful shows ever held in the United States. This was in part due to the tremendous pre-show news and publicity that was generated, under the leadership of show director Les Winick. There was so much material from the 1986 news releases that we ran "Part One" in our March 4 issue, in the form of a summary announcement that covered the plans of the organizers. In this March 25 issue, we present the STAMPS Magazine coverage of how those plans were announced and put into effect.

Note: In the March 4 subhead I erroneously picked up the 1976 Interphil date and site. That error is corrected in this issue. JFD.

January 17, 1981

AMERIPEX 1986 CHANGES SITE

AMERIPEX '86, the international philatelic exhibition sched-

uled to be held in Chicago May 22-June 1, 1986, has been moved to a new location, the O'Hare Exposition Center, which provides 325,000 square feet (30,000 square meters) on one

floor. According to James Duffy, president of AMERIPEX '86, the O'Hare Exposition Center has almost twice as much space as the original site, and is possibly the largest arena ever devoted to an international philatelic exhibition.

October 27, 1984

OFFICIAL AUCTIONEERS CHOSEN FOR AMERIPEX

AMERIPEX '86 has announced the selection of six auction firms as official auctioneers for the international exhibition....

The six auction firms honored by AMERIPEX are David S. Feldman, S.A., Geneva, Switzerland; Stanley Gibbons Ltd., London, England; Steve Ivy Philatelic Auctions, Dallas, Texas; Barry J. Rieger Ltd., Chicago, Illinois; Jacques C. Schiff, Jr., Ridgefield Park, N.J.; and Robert A. Siegel Auction Galleries, Inc., New York, N.Y.

Each of the selected auction houses has been requested to conduct one single-session unreserved public auction sale. Special arrangements for joint distribution of all of the official AMERIPEX auction catalogs are being made and will be announced at a later date.

February 23, 1985

AMERIPEX '86 TO PROMOTE STAMP CLUBS

AMERIPEX '86, in conjunction with COMPEX and the Chicago Philatelic Society will have a booth at the eleven-day exhibition with the title "JOIN A STAMP CLUB."

Visitors to the booth will advise the staff what city they live in, and the persons manning the booth will tell them of the stamp clubs in their area and when and where they meet. A listing of more than 1,500 stamp clubs in the United States will be available for this purpose.

The booth will be manned by stamp collectors who are active in organized philately and who realize the value of friendship with fellow collectors.

May 25, 1985

AMERIPEX '86 ELECTS HENNIG, SALM

The Board of Directors of AMERIPEX '86 announces the election of Bernard A. Hennig as Chairman and Arthur Salm as Vice-Chairman of the Board of the international exhibition.

James E. Duffy serves as President and Charless Hahn, Robert Outlaw and John Ross as Vice-Presidents. Other members of the Board of Directors are Frank Bachenheimer, Aubrey Berman, Ted Castro, Ron Collin, Paul Larsen, John Madigan, Lisa Ross and Harold Stral.

Lester Winick retains the dual position of Executive Director and Secretary. Jacqueline Alton is Secretary to the Board.

July 13, 1985

F.D. CEREMONY DRAWS OVERFLOW CROWD

The First Day ceremony of the AMERIPEX '86 postage stamp, held May 25, 1985, during COMPEX in Rosemont, Illinois, attracted a standing-room-only crowd of collectors.

The AMERIPEX Organizing Committee placed 280 chairs in the room for the ceremony, basing their accommodation on the average attendance for first days. More than 2,000 collectors and their families showed up for the official program.

The Rosemont Police Department had to call in extra officers to handle traffic in front of the Holiday Inn O'Hare/Kennedy where the ceremony took place.

Assistant Postmaster General Eugene C. Hagburg was the featured speaker and spoke of the forthcoming international stamp exhibition to be held May 22 through June 1, 1986. Mr. Hagburg referred to AMERIPEX as potentially "the largest stamp show ever held in North America."

Bernard Hennig, Chairman of AMERIPEX, purchased the first pad of AMERIPEX postage stamps.... The stamps will be used on all mail sent by AMERIPEX....

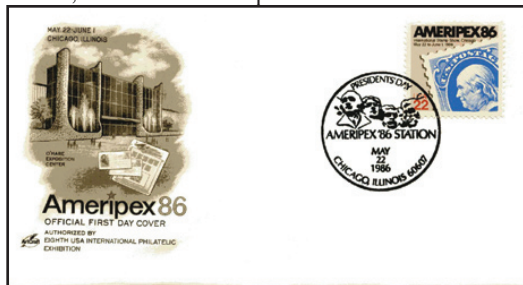
Despite the heavy turnout, everyone had a good time and the U.S. Postal Service almost sold out their stock of AMERIPEX stamps during the day.

September 14, 1985

COLOR ME BEAUTIFUL SEMINAR FOR SPOUSES

A seminar, geared to the women visitors to AMERIPEX '86, will be held in the Hyatt Regency O'Hare, the headquarters hotel for the May 22-June 1 exhibition, says Joan Larsen, social events chairman.

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The O'Hare Expo Center is pictured on this Artcraft cover, with the Ameripex stamp, Sc. 2145, and a President's Theme Day cancellation.



A Colorano FDC with the 1947 CIPEX, 1966 SIPEX and the Stamp Collecting issue.

AMERIPEX...

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From the color of your hair, eyes and skin, the "Color Me Beautiful" seminar will tell how to select clothes and colors that flatter each person the most, and how the visitor can color coordinate her wardrobe to maximize her assets.

In addition, AMERIPEX '86 will also offer a needlepoint seminar given by Bobbie Bachenheimer. Mrs. Bachenheimer, an expert needlepointer whose work can be seen in the Chicago area, will provide instruction during a hands-on session....

September 28, 1985

WASHINGTON PRESS SOUVENIR HEADQUARTERS

Washington Press has been named the official headquarters for the sale of souvenirs and other non-philatelic items using the AMERIPEX logo. The firm previously had been awarded the contract as producer of the official cachet for the international exhibition.

The Washington Press produced its first official cachet for TIPEX, the Third International Philatelic Exhibition held in New York.

[See pages 13 and 19 for two Artcraft show cachets. JFD.]

October 26, 1985

AMERIPEX '86 TO OFFER CHICAGO ETHNIC TOURS

AMERIPEX '86...will provide an opportunity for its visitors to participate in an ethnic tour of the city. Chicago, one of the most ethnically heterogeneous cities in the United States, has the largest Polish population outside Warsaw and one of the largest Greek populations outside Athens.

AMERIPEX visitors will have the opportunity to experience Chicago's ethnic character as they tour the city's many neighborhoods, learning about the many cultures from a well-trained, multi-lingual guide. Opportunities to sample the culinary specialties of Chicago's finest ethnic restaurants will be offered on a special evening tour.

November 2, 1985

100-PLUS COUNTRIES AT AMERIPEX

Deposits have been received from 106 nations who will sell their postage stamps and other philatelic material in the International Hall at AMERIPEX. The countries range from Antigua & Barbuda to Zil Ewagne Sesel and are either represented by an agency or have their own sales stand.

Several additional countries have notified the Organizing Committee that they intend to take a sales booth at AMERIPEX as soon as their budget for 1986 is approved by the various government bodies.

Arrangements have been made to display more than 170 flags of the nations of the world at the O'Hare Convention Center.

November 23, 1985

KING OF WONDERLAND TO EXHIBIT AT AMERIPEX

Has philatelic history been wrong for more than a century by giving credit to Great Britain for issuing the world's first adhesive postage stamps on May 6, 1840? According to the only slightly serious contention of Gerald M. King of London, England, Lewis Carroll's Country of Wonderland deserves that recognition. King will show his "evidence" in a special stamp exhibit in the Fun in Philately area of AMERIPEX '86. King declares that the stamps of Wonderland were issued on May 5, 1840, one day prior to Great Britain's First Issue. As the first page of his 16-page exhibit says, the first Wonderland stamps (which bear a striking resemblance to Britain's Penny Black) "proved so popular that the following day Great Britain followed suit."



November 30, 1985

AMERIPEX PRESIDENTS MINIATURE SHEET UNVEILED



The designs of the four 1986 Presidents miniature sheets, each incorporating nine 22¢ commemorative stamps honoring deceased U.S. Presidents, were unveiled November 9 by Regional Postmaster General Fletcher Acord during CHICAGOPEX '85 at the Westin O'Hare Hotel in Rosemont, Illinois.

The four miniature sheets will be issued on the opening day at AMERIPEX '86, the international stamp show to be held May 22 through June 1, 1986, in Rosemont, a suburb of Chicago. Thirty-five stamps will honor deceased Presidents and a 36th stamp will depict the White House.

December 14, 1985

AMERIPEX RELEASES MEDAL DESIGN

AMERIPEX has been informed by the Medallic Art Company that the exhibitor's medal design has been "struck" and the actual medals will be ready within 30 to 60 days. The Metallic Art company, founded in 1900 by Henry Weil, a highly respected French sculptor, through the years has reproduced the bas relief work of some of the most famous 20th century American sculptors including Augustus Saint Gaudens, Daniel Chester French, Herbert Adams, Gutzon Borglum, Lorado Taft and many others. The company has been selected to produce many important medals, including the Congressional Medal of Honor, The Pulitzer Prize, National Medal of Science, President's Medal for Freedom, and the Inaugural Medals of nine presidents, among others.

According to the regulations of the International Federation of Philately, each medal must contain the metal that it represents. Thus the Gold Medals are true 14K gold, the silver (shown) is pure silver, etc. When the rules were originally made, gold was \$35 per ounce. AMERIPEX, which will abide by the original regulations, will spend almost \$300 on the Gold Medal.



November 30, 1985

AMERIPEX JURORS TO CONSULT WITH EXHIBITORS

AMERIPEX has received permission from the FIP Board of Directors to request the members of the jury to consult with exhibitors after the awards are announced. Normally, at international exhibitions, once the awards are announced, the work of the jury is finished. An exhibitor may receive a Silver or Vermeil and not know how to improve the exhibit to receive a higher award in future competitions. There is no interchange of information between exhibitors and the jury.

Letters have been sent to the AMERIPEX jury team leaders asking them to be available to view the exhibits with individual exhibitors after the judging sessions are finished. It is hoped that members of a team will meet with an exhibitor in front of the actual exhibit on the exhibition floor and be able to discuss the individual merits of the material.

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January 18, 1986

AMERIPEX POSTAL CARD FEB. 1

A 33¢ international air-mail postal card, honoring AMERIPEX '86 and featuring a stylized view of familiar features of the Chicago skyline, will be issued February 1 in Chicago, Illinois.



The design of the card (indicia shown here) features a multicolor rendering of the Chicago skyline based upon a paper sculpture specially created for the design by Ray Ameijde of Peekskill, New York. The design was developed as a symbolic representation of Chicago (as viewed from Lake Michigan) and is not intended as an exact reproduction of the skyline....A similar design also was used to create the AMERIPEX award medals.

January 25, 1986

AMERIPEX EXHIBITORS NOTIFIED

The AMERIPEX Exhibit Selection Committee has finished its arduous task of selecting the exhibits to be shown at AMERIPEX and the National Commissioners have been notified.

The selection task was complicated due to AMERIPEX receiving three times the number of applications that could be shown at the international show. Another complicating factor was that the Committee wanted as many first time international exhibitors as possible to show their collections at AMERIPEX.

The Exhibit Selection Committee also turned down all exhibits from 19 nations. This selection process was caused by the 1982 FIP Regulations demanding that all commissioners who produced only two exhibits for an international must get their hotel, a per diem and all social amenities paid for by the show organizing committee. At the Paris FIP Congress, U.S. Delegate Bernard Hennig [AmeripeX Chairman] argued against passage of the resolution and advised the delegates that the private organizers in the United States could not afford to pay for commissioners who did not submit a substantial number of applications. The Exhibit Selection Committee feels strongly that it has carried out its duties in the best interests of philately in the United States and the rest of the world.

23, 1985

BOOKLET COVER CAN BE USED AS FREE PASS

The AMERIPEX Board of Directors and the United States Postal Service are cooperating in an unusual venture to get more Americans involved in learning the pleasures of stamp collecting. The cover of the Stamp Collecting booklet, to be issued Jan. 23, 1986, can be used as a free pass to AMERIPEX.



The stamps in the booklet are unusual in several ways....One stamp, honoring AMERIPEX, depicts a U.S. stamp [the Presidents sheet] that hasn't been issued yet. On the same day that the U.S. booklet is issued, the Swedish Post Office will issue a Stamp Collecting booklet containing a single pane of four stamps [including the same design, third from left, picturing the 1938 Swedes-Finns stamp, Sc. 838.



In addition to the booklet, the Postal Service will also release a huge poster for display at its 32,000 post offices picturing the AMERIPEX stamp and giving details of the location of AMERIPEX.

Les Winick, Executive Director, has stated that, "AMERIPEX and the USPS offering millions of admission passes to the stamp show may be the largest publicity campaign offered for any convention, or trade show ever held anywhere in the world...."

March 1, 1986

MICKEY MOUSE COMING TO AMERIPEX

AMERIPEX...will be home to Mickey Mouse and his friends during the exhibition. The Popular Walt Disney characters will put on a special show for all visitors twice daily during six days of the show on a specially constructed stage. A 9,000 square foot "Ben Franklin" area has been set aside where youngsters can learn all about stamp collecting and have fun while learning. All young people will be admitted free and will also receive a large "goody bag" full of stamps and other collectibles as they leave.



April 19, 1986

STAMP COLLECTING POSTAL CARD AT AMERIPEX

A 14-cent domestic rate postal card honoring the hobby of stamp collecting will be issued May 23 in Chicago, Illinois, in conjunction with AMERIPEX



'86...The postal card design features six adults (three women and three men) and one child eagerly examining and discussing stamps while standing behind a table covered with stamps, albums and collecting paraphernalia.

April 19, 1986

GOODY BAGS READY FOR AMERIPEX

The goody bags that will be given to each youngster attending AMERIPEX have been packed and are ready for shipment. The cartons will occupy a 40-foot long trailer and special arrangements have been made to store the trailer in a secure area adjacent to the Convention Center, where the trailer will also serve as a warehouse for stock replenishment.

Two youth booths will be near the 9,000 square foot Ben Franklin display area. One booth will offer an assortment of more than 300,000 covers at 25 cents each. The second booth will sell stamps priced from one-quarter of a cent to a maximum of 5 cents each.

June 21, 1986

AMERIPEX A SUCCESS

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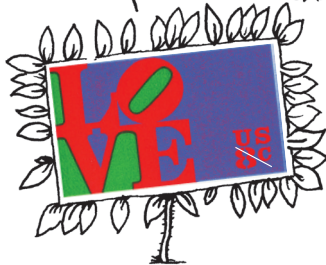
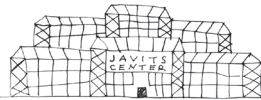
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