



Jerry Nylander

Last month we were treated to two interesting talks: *"An Insider's Story of Scott's Catalog Listings and Pricing"* and *"Explaining the Stamp Expertizing Process,"* both, by Jerry Nylander. This was followed by a very interesting discussion/questions/answers session. It should be noted that Jerry has spoken to the club in the past and is a long time Chicago area collector, brings decades of experience and philatelic expertise to the table.

There are no snap-shots of the last meeting – the camera is having problems other than the usual operator error.

The treasury currently has \$3,221.18 in the bank.

This month, Tom Willer shares the story of Arizona from its Boot Hill infamy to its prosperous, booming Phoenix in his presentation *"Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Arizona."*



Arizona on Stamps
Past and Present



One of the areas major stamp shows, **Milcopex 2012**, will be held this weekend (September 21-23, 2012) at the Wyndham Milwaukee Airport & Convention Center, 4747 South Howell Avenue, Milwaukee, WI. The hotel is on South Howell Avenue, just south of Layton Avenue and across from the Airport.

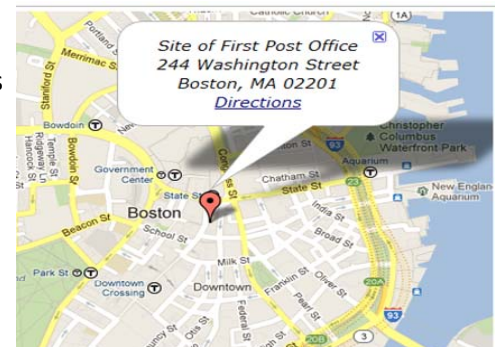
Featured are: a bourse with 40 dealers, more than 2000 pages of competitive, national level exhibits to be judged by APS accredited judges, many non-competitive exhibits, a United States Postal Station and a Youth Activities Area

Having examined Old World's Postal History, we are now ready to move to what will eventually become the United States with —

Part 1: Colonial Postal History

In early colonial times, correspondents depended on friends, merchants, and even Indians to move letters/messages internally between the colonies. External correspondence started in 1608 when individuals would pay merchant vessel masters to carry their letters to Europe and England and drop into the 'postal system' once the ship reached his destination.

First Post Office in America. About thirty years later (1839) the first American Post Office was established in Boston. This centralized mail sorting facility was in the home of Richard Fairbanks. His house was located between Washington and Devonshire Streets just north of Water Street. Modern sources identify his house as the Fairbanks Tavern. It is believed that the tradition from England of dropping mail off at coffee houses and taverns was adopted by the earliest Bostonians.



Next Meeting:
Tuesday, 7 pm
25 Sept 2012
at the
Grayslake Area
Public Library
100 Library Lane
Grayslake, IL

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Milcopex 2012
Wyndham Hotel
4747 S Howell
Milwaukee, WI
Sep 21, 22 and 23

MSDA Fall Show
Comfort Inn and Suites
600 Milwaukee Ave
Prospect Heights, IL
October 6 and 7