

Perforations

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"Lake County's Stamp Club"



Last month Tom Willer gave a multimedia presentation entitled **"Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Arizona"** in which he shared the story of Arizona. He managed to cover a lot of territory that included a tour of the old Statehouse that is the home to a collection of the state's postal history along with its growth from Boot Hill infamy days to its prosperous, booming Phoenix area.

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

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

This month, **"New Sweden."** Jerry Netterstrom shares his knowledge about stamps and this topic.



From an American History point of view, New Sweden was Sweden's attempt to join the colonial race. The colony existed from 1638 – 1655 ... but we may be surprised

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Dr Tom Willer – President
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Chicagopex
Westin Chicago Northwest
400 Park Boulevard
Itasca IL
November 16, 17 and 18

FROSTEEPEX '12
St Aloysius Gonzaga Hall
1435 So. 92nd St
West Allis WI
December 1 and 2

The Colonial Period – Part 2

Central postal organization came to the colonies only after 1691 when Thomas Neale received a 21-year grant from the British Crown for a North American postal service. Neale never visited America. Instead, he appointed Governor Andrew Hamilton of New Jersey as his Deputy Postmaster General. Neale's franchise cost him only 80 cents a year. Besides his postal service involvement, Neale was a member of Parliament for thirty years, Master of the Mint and the Transfer Office, Groom Porter, gambler, and entrepreneur. His wide variety of projects included the development of Seven Dials, East Smithfield, and Tunbridge Wells, land-drainage projects, steel foundries and paper-making enterprises, mining in Maryland and Virginia, raising shipwrecks, and developing a pair of dice to prevent cheating at gaming. He was also the author of numerous tracts on coinage and fund-raising, and he was involved in the idea of a National Land Bank, the precursor of the Bank of England. But in the end it was no bargain; he died heavily in debt, in 1699, after assigning his interests in America to Andrew Hamilton and another Englishman, Roger West.