



# THE WEBFOOTER

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"Every subject known to man can be found on a post card"

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## Happy Mothers Day



Mothers rode for free on Mothers Day in 1936

**Next Meeting – May 19, 2007**

At Russellville Grange - 12105 NE Prescott Street

10:00 am to 4:00 pm – Card sales to begin at 10:30

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# President's Corner

The Webfooters first ever Post Card, Photo and Collectible Paper Auction and Banquet was very successful. All in all, I think this was a major accomplishment. There were many challenges, including absentee bids and phone bids at our live auction. Thanks to Dusty, Janet, Glenn and Judith, everything went very smoothly.

Also, our caterer was most accommodating. We went in with 23 dinner reservations and they served 41 dinners. Next year, we will need to have our reservations in five days before the banquet to make it a little easier on the caterer.

Thanks also to Judith Nelson, who coordinated our Postcard Show displays. We had some very impressive displays. First prize went to Ed Weum for his Central Oregon Stagecoaches, Colleen Weum won second prize for her Beautiful Butterfly Greetings cards and third prize went to Joe Macdonald for "When a Hat was a Hat". It's not too early to make your boards for next year.

I want to say a word of thanks to our volunteers who helped set up and take down tables, chairs, easels and signs: Arne Soland, Kenn Lantz, Terry Weis, Bob Wenzel, John Staub, David Sell, Dave Elston, Phyllis Palmer, Linda Renk, Steve Kuryk and Steve Kenney.

## Club Officers

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Post cards and information in this issue from [www.pdxhistory.com](http://www.pdxhistory.com) unless otherwise noted.

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## Member Update

Edouard Pecourt, member 749, has had one chemo therapy treatment and is holding his own. His next treatment is scheduled for May 14. Past President Steve Kuryk, member 833, is recovering from rotator cuff surgery and he is on the mend, however somewhat painfully. Past President Alan Viewig, member 354, is recovering from surgery for the removal of a tumor in his throat. Please keep all of them in your thoughts and prayers. Also, our hearts go out to the members of the Wichita Postcard Club as we have heard the news that President Andrea Turley recently passed away after a hard fought battle with cancer. She was friend to postcard collectors far and wide.



# Northwest Productions Presents

## The Largest Antique Paper Shows in the Northwest

**The Greater Portland  
Postcard, Stamp & Paper  
Collectibles Show**

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Postcard & Paper  
Collectibles Show**

**June 16 and 17, 2007**

Kliever Armory  
10000 NE 33rd Drive  
Portland, OR

**June 23 and 24, 2007**

Kent Commons  
525 4th Avenue North  
Kent, WA

**Old Postcards, Photographs, Stereo View Cards, Books,  
Stamps, Valentines, Matchbooks, Magazines, Prints,  
Maps, Trade Cards, Movie Posters & Much More!**

**Early Bird Show Hours:**

Saturday: 8 - 10 am  
Admission: \$20 (Also good Sunday 10-4)

**Regular Show Hours:**

Saturday: 10 am - 6 pm  
Sunday: 10 am - 4 pm  
Admission: \$5 (Good for Saturday & Sunday)

**Upcoming Shows:**

**Portland Oregon  
at Kliever Armory  
October 20 and 21, 2007**

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at Kent Commons  
October 13 and 14, 2007**

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# Glimpses of Our 2007 Show & Sale





Glenn Thiesfeld chats with Chuck Palmer and Mike Fairley



Glenn and Valerie Thiesfeld show a card to the "Mystery Restaurant Reviewer"



Terry Martin and her daughter Melinda



Thanks to John Staub for the fine photos



Judith Nelson coordinated our displays



Third prize winner Joe Macdonald and Steve Kuryk share a light moment



First prize winner Ed Weum with his Central Oregon Stage Coaches



Second prize winner Colleen Weum with her Butterfly Beauties



# Eliza Barchus

## The Oregon Artist

Eliza Barchus, one of the leading Pioneer Northwest Artists, was named the official Oregon Artist in 1971 by the Oregon Legislature. She is known for her beautiful oil landscape paintings of Northwest scenes as well as several postcards that made her work available to the masses. Eliza was born in 1857 in Salt Lake City. She moved to Oregon with her husband in 1885.

Eliza Barchus began taking painting lessons from artist William Parrott. In 1887 and 1888, Eliza won the Gold and Silver Medals at Portland's Mechanics Fair. She was also represented in the Ninth Annual Exhibition of the National Academy of Design in New York in 1890. The death of her husband in 1899 motivated Eliza to provide for her three children. She painted pictures to trade for other items and services including building six houses. She double-traded to acquire everything the family needed. She even taught art classes.

In 1901, she exhibited in the Pan American Exhibition in Buffalo, New York. Then in 1905, when the Lewis & Clark Exposition was held in Portland, Eliza Barchus displayed her paintings and achieved world wide recognition with her Gold Medal.



Mt. Rainier Washington



Mt. Hood Oregon

Postcards bearing reproductions of the Barchus mountain landscapes were displayed and sold at the Lewis & Clark Fair. The postcards of Mt. Rainier and Mt. Hood were produced first, then along with a view of Crater Lake, they appeared in a jumbo size postcard. Later, she published a sepia postcard view of Timberline with a poem.

In 1934, Eliza Barchus was commissioned by President Franklin Roosevelt's WPA Project to paint two oils: Beacon Rock on the Columbia River and Oregon Marine. Over the years, she painted thousands of oil paintings that have become historical treasures of the Pacific Northwest and they have graced homes, hotel lobbys and even the White House.

Her favorite subject was Oregon scenery such as the Columbia River Gorge, Mt. Hood and Crater Lake, but Eliza Barchus was partial to views of mountains and of all the mountains she painted, Oregon's Mt. Hood was her favorite. However, the first mountain she painted was Washington's Mt. Rainier.

Eliza Barchus died in 1959 in Portland at the age of 102. Her daughter Agnes Barchus published a book about her mother in 1975 entitled: *Eliza R. Barchus – The Oregon Artist*.

(Thanks to Phyllis Palmer for submitting this information)



# Roster Additions

We welcome Dan DePalma.

DePalma Dan

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Collects:

California; Arizona; Northwest; Sports



## Calendar

May 19 – Webfooters Post Card Club Meeting at Russellville Grange  
12105 NE Prescott St near 122nd & Sandy Blvd – 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

June 3 – Pacific NW Post Card Club Meeting – Lake City Community Center  
12531 - 28th Ave NE in Seattle – 11:30 am to 5pm

June 13 – Webfooters Board Meeting at Elmer’s Restaurant (no host)  
10001 NE Sandy Blvd – 6:30 pm (Board Meetings held every other month)

June 16 – Webfooters Post Card Club Meeting at Russellville Grange  
12105 NE Prescott St near 122nd & Sandy Blvd – 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

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