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Greetings from



The Rose Festival



Next Meeting – June 17, 2006

At Russellville Grange - 12105 NE Prescott Street

10:00 am to 4:00 pm

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Board Meeting Minutes

Present at the May 15, 2006 Webfooters board meeting, held at Elmer's Restaurant, were: Mark Moore (President), Al Powers (Treasurer), Dale Nix (Vice President) David Sell (Membership Chair) Jane Burton (Member-at-Large) and Phyllis Palmer (Member-at-Large). After a call to order at approximately 6:30 PM, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as published.

Report of Standing Committees:

Financial Report—Al Powers reported that the show made a profit, and he gave a financial report.

Membership Committee—David Sell reported that there are currently 226 active members on the roster, with several members dropped and ten added in April. There had also been several renewals.

Show Committee—Mark reported that we had 25 dealers who paid for 43 tables at the April Webfooters Show. The only real complaint we had was that there are no city buses serving the Jackson Armory. Next year, we would like to appoint a transportation captain to coordinate rides from the nearest bus stop.

Website—The new Webfooters website enhancements are complete and it is now hosted at Umpqua.net. The topic of links and advertising on our non-profit website was discussed and tabled for the next meeting.

Business Arising From the Previous Meeting:

Program Committee—Mark indicated that a program on the topic of "Postal History" may be given at the November 18 general meeting, if postal historian Kirk Andrews is available to do so.

Scheduling issues—It was noted that Terry Weis has scheduled four of his next five Greater Portland Postcard shows on the same day as our meetings. Since our meeting days are mandated in our Bylaws, it was unanimously approved that our Secretary would draft a letter to Terry to try to be more sensitive to these scheduling conflicts in the future.

New Business:

Club Cards—It was noted that we are almost out of current club cards. Members were asked to submit cards for a design that may be selected at a future meeting.

Membership Cards—David Sell reported that we are out of Webfooters membership cards. We hope to have a new design available at the next board meeting. Members of the board unanimously decided that they be made the same size as a business card so that they will fit in a wallet or billfold.

Webfoot Pins—About 11 years ago, The Webfooters produced a lapel pin. It was suggested that we look into the cost of getting a new one produced. Phyllis Palmer volunteered to look into it.

Board Meeting Minutes (continued)

Noting that the next scheduled board meeting is at 6:30 pm on Monday, **July 10, 2006** at Elmer's Restaurant located at 10001 NE Sandy Boulevard, Mark adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:15 PM.

Club Officers

President.....Mark Moore
Vice President.....Dale Nix
Secretary.....Dave Elston
Treasurer.....Al Powers
Member-at-Large.....Jane Burton
Member-at-Large.....Phyllis Palmer
Membership Chairman.....David Sell
Editor.....Mark Moore



Post cards and photos from the collection of Mark Moore www.PdxHistory.com unless otherwise noted.

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PRIZE FLOAT, ROSE FESTIVAL, PORTLAND, OREGON, 1924

A very unique Rose Festival Float from 1924

Famous Women on Post Cards

These photos of famous women on post cards were published for the Library of Congress by Pomegranate Publishing and they were submitted by member Phyllis Hansen.



Standing in the upper left photo is Susan B. Anthony (1820 - 1906) with her lifelong political compatriot Elizabeth Cady Stanton (seated) who lived from 1815 to 1902. Susan Anthony helped to found the American Equal Rights Association in 1866, and in 1868 with Stanton as editor, became publisher of *Revolution*. Stanton and Anthony founded the National Woman Suffrage Association. Stanton was the principal author of the famous 1848 Declaration of Sentiments.



Mother Jones, who was famous for her work with the Irish-American labor movement, is shown in the upper right photo and she lived from 1830-1930. Mother Jones was present at the founding of the International Workers of the World in 1905.



Margaret Sanger, (left) was a nurse who took it upon herself to find practical methods of birth control that could be made available to any woman and she lived from 1883 to 1966. Many times she found herself at odds with government and organized religion. The freedom that American women possess today that gives them access to birth control is due in great measure to Margaret Sanger's persistent efforts.



Carrie Chapman Catt, who lived from 1857 to 1947, is pictured on the right. She was Susan B. Anthony's hand-picked successor to lead the national suffrage movement. She saw her efforts come to fruition with a constitutional amendment when women were given the right to vote when the 19th Amendment was ratified in 1920. Catt had begun laying the groundwork a year earlier for the educational organization that was established as the League of Women Voters.



Amelia Bloomer, on the left, (1818 to 1894) introduced fellow temperance worker Susan B. Anthony to Elizabeth Cady Stanton, initiating a collaboration that would last half a century.

Lucretia Mott, (right) the Quaker teacher who served in many of the associated Temperance, Anti-Slavery and Women's Rights organizations, lived from 1793 to 1880. Mott became a Quaker minister in 1821. Like many Quakers, Mott was active in the abolitionist movement in the United States before the Civil War. Mott helped found two anti-slavery groups, and was well known for her eloquent speeches against slavery.

A Visit To Mary Martin Postcards in Maryland U.S.A. By Dave Elston



While planning a multi-purpose trip to the Eastern seaboard involving a family reunion, attending the wedding of two friends, and to assist my aging father-in-law with a visit to his birthplace, I was transfixed by an ad in Postcard Collector Magazine: *"Stop By And See Millions Of Postcards For Sale."* I couldn't believe my luck when I realized that the site of this potential postcard nirvana was just 50 miles from my brother-in-law's home, in Annapolis, Maryland, where Nancy and I would be staying.

There was never a question in my mind that a full day, at least, would have to be reserved to check on this huge cache of postcards for sale. Contacting the decades-old business "Mary L. Martin Ltd." by e-mail, I promptly received a reply to confirm business hours and driving directions to the store. Though the trip was weeks away, I began to dream about what I might find there. I wondered, in my post-carding mind: "Is the grass always greener on the other side of thecountry?"

On the morning of the visitation, we left Annapolis in our rented Kia and made the easy drive, bypassing Baltimore, and ending at 4899 Pulaski Highway in Perryville, Maryland. The \$7 in road tolls hadn't dampened, in the least, my enthusiasm for the quest. Ambling through the entrance doors just after the 9:30 opening, we eyed the racks of neatly arranged boxes of cards behind the counter and adjacent the office desks. A friendly staff member asked what we were specifically looking for and quickly brought out 3 or 4 boxes of priced Oregon cards to the customer's tables. Plopping down in one of the chairs, it felt to me as if I were "home." I immediately looked for and found several Seaside, Oregon and other coastal postcards to add to my collection and I knew that the visit was already a success.

Shortly after our arrival, Mary Martin (daughter of the founder of Mary Martin, Ltd.) breezed through the door and after introductions asked if we'd seen 'the warehouse.' Through a short hallway we were led to a vast expanse of tall metal racks filled with boxes of neatly organized and unpriced postcards. I thought about what it would be like to be locked up for a week, or longer, in this huge room. I had confirmation that the magazine advertisement that I'd noticed several weeks earlier was actual "truth in advertising."

After Nancy had left to enjoy the rest of the day around Perryville and Havre De Grace, I continued to finger through box after box of cards from the front office shelves and other boxes from the warehouse. I found many cards of interest priced within my budget. The day went by quickly and I probably sorted through 15-20 boxes of various card types by the 4:30 closing time. A tiny dent in the total cards available. Near day's end, I noticed that Mary was talking by phone to a well-known NW paper dealer. I thought: "Can't I get away from the 'local competition' for even one day by traveling clear across the country?" But no; such is collecting in the high-tech age of cell phones and the Internet, with all of its plusses and minuses. And of course, as with many PC businesses, eBay tends to siphon off some of the choice material once available to the walk-in customers.

I found Mary and her staff to be always very pleasant and they exhibited a very friendly yet very efficient manner in their dealings with their walk-in and phone customers. When asked, Mary showed interest in attending one of our annual April Webfooters shows, schedule permitting. It would be a benefit to NW collectors if such a visit were to occur. It was satisfying to introduce ourselves as Webfooters and to note the favorable reaction by Mary and her staff to the club cards we left there. She told me that she has a longtime passion for postcards, and enjoys the hunt for local cards to add to her own collection.

I left on that day in May feeling rewarded for the effort and still dreaming of what remains in all of those boxes of unseen postcards. I'd recommend a visit to the store if you ever find yourself in the general area of Perryville, Maryland. You can also locate the business on the Internet at: www.marylmartin.com. Odd as it seemed to me to be traveling 3000 miles to witness two other local Portlanders marry on the Eastern shore, I suppose that it was no stranger than traveling to Perryville, Maryland to buy Oregon postcards, more than a few of which had Portland addresses on them, for my collection. It is, after all, a "healthy addiction," as many of us would admit.



Membership Report

We welcome new members: Walter Fortner of Milwaukie, Ralph Lewis of Depoe Bay, Judith Nelson of Portland and Bob Wenzel of Clackamas.



Roster Additions

Fortner Walter	1702
Collects:	Portland; Terre Haute; U.S. Series
Lewis Ralph	1704
Dealer:	Ralph's Vintage Collectibles
Nelson Judith	1703
Collects:	Horses; Thoroughbreds; Horse tracks; Western
Wenzel Robert	1701
Collects:	Columbia Gorge; Astoria; Rainier; Auto Camps On Old Highway 30

Members in the News

Jocelyn Howells (member number 138) is recovering after a stint in the hospital.



Hook & Ladder of Portland Fire Department
in Rose Festival Parade.



Calendar

June 17 – Webfooter’s Post Card Club Meeting at Russellville Grange
12105 NE Prescott St near 122nd & Sandy Blvd – 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

June 17-18 – Greater Portland Postcard Stamp & Paper Show at the Kleiver Armory
near 33rd & Marine Dr – For info: Contact Terry Weis at 503-324-0970

June 24-25 – Greater Seattle Postcard & Paper Show at Kent Commons
545 - 4th Ave N in Kent, WA – For info: Contact Terry Weis at 503-324-0970

July 10 – Webfooter’s Board Meeting at Elmer’s Restaurant (no host)
10001 NE Sandy Blvd – 6:30 pm (Board Meetings held every other month)

July 15 – Webfooter’s Post Card Club Meeting at Russellville Grange
12105 NE Prescott St near 122nd & Sandy Blvd – 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

July 15-16 – Palmer Wirf’s Antique and Collectible’s Show at the Portland Expo
For info: 503-282-0877

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June 17th and 18th 2006

Early Bird Saturday, June 17th
8:00 am to 10:00 am
Early Bird Admission: \$20 (good both days)

Regular Hours
Saturday: 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
Sunday: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Admission: \$5 (good for both days)

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Upcoming Show: Kent, WA – June 24th and 25th, 2006

FREE APPRAISALS