

# DRIFTWOOD



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Newsletters of the Long Beach Stamp Club published almost every month throughout the year. Meetings are usually on the first, third, and sometimes fifth Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria of **MILLIKAN HIGH SCHOOL, 2800 SNOWDEN AVENUE, IN LONG BEACH, CA.** Visitors are always welcome. Address dues, payments, and correspondence to the Club at Box 90042, Long Beach, CA 90809-0042 or our website [www.LongBeachStampClub.com](http://www.LongBeachStampClub.com).

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## SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

**A**LL meeting dates include a combination auction and bid board. Scheduled meetings are as follows:

### 2011

OUR SUMMER SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT MILLIKIN HIGH SCHOOL. MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ONCE A MONTH ON TUESDAY AS FOLLOWS:

AUGUST 2

SEPT. 6 & 20

### THE FALL SCHEDULE IS SHOWN BELOW:

OCTOBER 4 & 8

NOVEMBER 1 & 15

DEC. 6 ~ XMAS PARTY & ONLY MEETING IN DEC.

### 2012

JAN. 3 & 17\* ~ \* THIS IS THE DATE OF ANNUAL DINNER

## MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

**B**ECAUSE there were no winners at our July meeting, \$20 will be the membership award for August.

## STEVE'S QUALITY STAMP SHOW

**S**TEVE'S QUALITY STAMP SHOW this month will be held on August 21, 2011 at the Anaheim Plaza Hotel, 1700 South Harbor Blvd., Anaheim, CA 92802. Hours are 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. Parking is free.

## LOBEX STAMP EXPO

**L**OBEX STAMP EXPO will be held on September 8-10, 2011 at the Long Beach Convention Center on Pine.

## DONATIONS

**T**O all members, your Kids Corner Chairman is seeking donations of United States and Foreign stamps for our Kids Corner program to help Kids in becoming interested in Stamp collecting as a hobby. Your help in this endeavor will be greatly appreciated.

## ANNUAL PICNIC



**OUR** Annual Picnic this year will be held at Evergreen Park in Cypress which is South of Lincoln/Carson on the east side of Moody) Park. The Club has reserved Saturday, September 3, 2011 from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Come one come all, bring the family and have a good time.

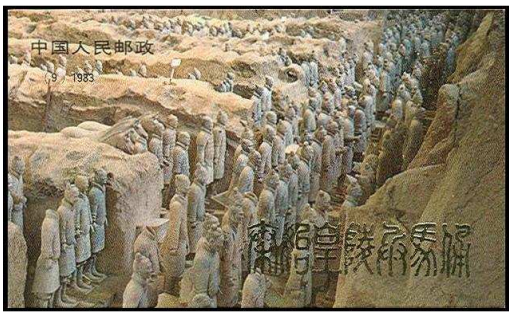
## 2010 APS STAMP COMPETITION

**T**HE Editor and Staff of the Driftwood Newsletter have been awarded the Gold in the 2010 APS Chapter Newsletter Competition. Congratulations to LLOYD for his excellent and interesting content and LYNN for her creativity in designing Driftwood's format.

## STAMP OF THE MONTH

**P**EOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA — On June 30, 1983, China issued a set of four stamps and a souvenir sheet commemorating the terra-cotta army of Qin Shi Huang, the first emperor of China.

The funerary statues, which date from 210 B.C. and were buried with the emperor, were discovered in 1974.



Highly detailed and lifelike, they comprise more than 8,000 soldiers, 130 chariots drawn by 520 horses, and 150 cavalry mounts.

In addition to the stamps and souvenir sheet, a booklet with two panes was issued. The first pane contains eight stamps (4-8 fen stamps, three 10f stamps and one 70f stamp) plus a setenant label (Scott 1862a). The second pane contains the 2-yuan souvenir sheet (1863a).

The *Scott Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue* does not list and value the intact booklet. It lists and values the mint panes at \$47.50 each. The combined value of \$95 is a good price for the intact booklet.

The fact that this booklet is surprisingly common and readily available in the United States, where it was widely sold at the low new issue cost in 1983 does not detract from its value.

It is not recommended buying the detached panes. Buy the intact booklet and keep it intact, as all of the considerable demand is for that format.

## ANSWERS TO JULY'S STAMP QUIZ

**A**DMITTEDLY this is one is tough. The only indication of the artifact's true purpose is a little hole appearing in the ear of the mythical beast. The stone was hung with others as an ancient wind chime, so if you answered **(d) a stone musical chime**, you may now burst into song! This 1954 stamp from the People's Republic (Scott 226) was part of the "Great Mother Country" series, one of the few issued to celebrate China's cultural heritage during the thirty year rule of The Great Heimsman, Mao Zedong.

## BIRTHDAYS FOR AUGUST

Caj Brejtus      Roy Bezner      Stan Conrad  
Robert Rothwell      Bob Chisholm

## WORLD OF STAMPS

**I**SLAND COMMUNITIES — Bougainville is an island which is part of the nation of Papua New Guinea. Geographically, the island and the rest of the North Solomon's group are part of the Solomon Islands.

In 1975-76 and 1990-1999, Bougainville tried to break away from Papua New Guinea and form an independent Bougainville or North Solomon's Republic. It has also been called the Republic of Meekamui. In 2000, peace was restored, and Bougainville became an autonomous province of Papua New Guinea. Elections for an autonomous government took place in 2005.

The island is named after the French navigator Louis Antoine de Bougainville and became part of the German colony of German New Guinea in 1885. It was occupied by Australian forces in 1914 and became part of the League of Nations mandate territory of New Guinea.

The Japanese invaded in 1942, but after the Japanese defeat in 1945, the territory reverted to Australian administration, and was combined with the Papua territory in 1949 into the combined Papua New Guinea territory until independence in 1975.

The main concern both for residents of the area and the Papua New Guinea government has been the copper mining. Bougainville is one of the largest copper producers of the world, and gives Papua New Guinea revenue, which locals would like to retain on the island.

Papua New Guinea stamps with motifs from Bougainville and the Northern Solomons include one of the values of the 1975 definitives which depicts the Mount Bagana volcano on Bougainville, a 1976 set of four depicting Bougainville art and one stamp of the 1989 traditional dwellings set depicts a village house from Buka Island in the Northern Solomons group.

## STAMP QUIZ FOR AUGUST



THE curious carved objects on this Greek issue are:

- A. Walking sticks
- B. Rustic Flutes
- C. Knitting needle holders
- D. wooden fans

If you think you know the answer; please send it to the Club's P.O. Box or you can e-mail your answer to [leb\\_dorbaumann1@verizon.net](mailto:leb_dorbaumann1@verizon.net).

{Answers must be received on the Saturday preceding the first meeting of the month.}