

**SCANDINAVIAN COLLECTORS CLUB □ COLORADO CHAPTER 27**  
**NOTIFICATION OF THE SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2017 MEETING AT 10:00 AM**  
**AT THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN PHILATELIC LIBRARY (RMPL)**

Roger Cichorz will give a feature presentation on “Puffins on Scandinavian Stamps” □ that is, postage stamps, booklets, charity seals, and other philatelic-related items issued by the Nordic nations that depict *Fratercula arctica*, the Atlantic puffin (also known as the common puffin). There will be the usual “**Show-and-Tell**” session, and members are requested to bring at least one item to the meeting to share! Jerry Eggleston will bring a selection of SCC Mart Books. **See Page 5** for a mini-auction offering of four lots from Geno Brink that arrived too late for last month’s sale. As customary, coffee, donuts, Danish, and breakfast sweets will be provided.

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**Summary of the Saturday, March 4, 2017 Meeting at RMPL**

Vice President Steve Nadler called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM with 14 members present. This meeting was our Chapter’s semi-annual members’ auction, so there were no Mart Books or a “Show-and-Tell” session. Bagels and cream cheese spread were available. **Announcements:** Roger Cichorz said the Denver Museum of Nature and Science will have a new exhibition titled “Vikings: Beyond the Legend” opening March 9 and more details will be included in the next Meeting Notification/Newsletter. Eric Carlson mentioned that there will be a one-day Denver Stamp Exchange Bourse at the RMPL Meeting Room on Saturday, March 25, 10 AM to 4 PM, with six dealers including himself having tables at the event. **Auction:** Roger and Greg Frantz took turns serving as auctioneers and Jim Kilbane ably served as the lot recorder, keeping track of the lots sales for both buyers and sellers. The auction was a success with 41 of the 60 lots offered selling for \$336.92, earning \$38.70 for the Chapter Treasury via commissions and donations. For this sale there were six consignors and eight successful buyers. Some nice material changed hands and a fun time was had by all.

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**S.C.C. Chapter 27 Treasurer’s Report**

**\$1140.30 Previous Treasury Balance (2/17/17)\***

\$ +38.70	commissions and donations from the 3/4/17 members’ auction
-8.50	printing costs for 3/4/17 meeting announcement and lists of auction lots
-16.67	bagels for 3/4/17 meeting

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**\$1153.83 Current Treasury Balance (3/5/17)\***

**\$537.67 Cash on Hand (3/5/17)**

\* **\$616.16** is the current balance of 2/9/17 that was converted into a new 24-month Certificate of Deposit at the Elevations Credit Union, Boulder, CO  
(CD = 0.60% per annum interest of ~\$7.60 due 2/9/19)

**Prepared by Roger Cichorz, 3/5/17**

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**Upcoming SCC Chapter 27 Meeting Topics**

**2017 meetings:** We need to fill up this section with topics on a meeting-to-meeting basis in time for publication in our next meeting notification/newsletter! Please contact Steve Nadler (**303-322-3624 or schlomoX@msn.com**) as soon as possible to volunteer for presentations! Over the next several months, please commit at least to a 15-minute talk on sometime that interests you so we can have a viable year-long 2017 schedule published in future meeting announcements! Since we have only ten or eleven meetings a year and two are semi-annual auctions, we only need eight or nine main topic presentations to fill our 2017 schedule!

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**No Club One-Frame Competition at RMSS 2017.** Rocky Mountain Stamp Show has been selected to host the first annual American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors George Brett Cup competition, a “by invitation” exhibition of top-level 20th century philatelic exhibits. Jerry Eggleston, RMSS exhibits chairman, announced that because of this and a large amount of other competitive exhibit submissions, there is a shortage of frame space for the club exhibits.

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### Chapter 27 Members' Collecting Interests

List your stamp-collecting interests (all, not just Scandinavian) here for other members to be aware of what you collect and possibly help with or bring attention to items of interest! Contact Roger to amend your listing.

- Paul Albright:** Greenland, and runs of worldwide correspondence to use as historical research material
- Howard Benson:** mint and used stamps of Scandinavia (including Danish West Indies to 2010), Germany and Austria to 2010, Russia and areas to 1920, "dead countries" (not former colonies), topics (maps and railroads), and encased postage stamps
- Peter Bergh:** Denmark (in particular the bi-colors and 1882-1905 coat-of-arms series), Malmö and Lund locals, Ireland, and Great Britain QE2 predecimals and KGV Silver Jubilee
- Geno Brink:** Worldwide postally used up to 1970, Denmark used errors and varieties, and Aalborg (cancels on stamps, covers, by post, Christmas seals, and other items related to Aalborg)
- Eric Carlson:** United States, certain Great Britain (Wildings, Machins, and earlier sets of British Royalty), Sweden, Finland mint Wasa/Vasa issue (Scott #111-18), various sets of Denmark, Finland, and Norway, and lighthouses, golf, and baseball as topicals/thematics
- Roger Cichorz:** Åland and Faroes postal history, Iceland stamps (including revenues), Lundy and Herm Island (stamps, postal history, and postcards), Abbott Pentothal "Dear Doctor" ad postcards, *HMS Montagu* postcards, and bonsai and puffin items as topicals/thematics
- Jerry Eggleston:** primary interests = used Denmark, Danish West Indies, Greenland, Iceland, and Norway; secondary interests = Sweden, Finland, Greece, Hong Kong, Japan, Canada, and Great Britain; and postal history interests = Jo Daviess County, Illinois, and Summit County, Colorado
- Greg Frantz:** QSL postcards, Spitzbergen postal history, Scandinavian/Nordic locals and steamship mail, United States banknotes postal history, worldwide classic stamp issues, and cinderellas
- Jim Fredlund:** early Finland used stamps and 1980 to present, 1985 to present used Scandinavian stamps, and worldwide stamps
- Bill Gunderson:** Scandinavia
- Jim Kilbane:** Iowa and Colorado postal history, registered package envelopes, United States Post Office Department envelopes, revenues, cinderellas, and other miscellaneous
- Severt Kvamme:** post-2002 used stamps of Åland, Faroes, Greenland, Iceland, and Norway
- Clark Lyda:** Norway and Europa
- Steve McGill:** Great Britain Machins and GB postal mechanization (specialist level) and Canada, Antarctic, Iceland, Faroes, and United States (fun-to-collect level)
- Jeff Modesitt:** Denmark (general, postal stationery, and booklets, primary), Åland, DWI, Faroes, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden (secondary), Great Britain (general, postal stationery), New Zealand (general, penny universals, QEII, 1960 and 1980 definitives), and United States postal stationery
- Steve Nadler:** all Scandinavian postal history (covers and postmarks), Colorado postal history, United States (streetcar postmarks and covers, flag machine cancels, and advertising covers), worldwide (airmails, perfins on and off cover, pneumatic mail, and military mail), Afghanistan, France, Monaco, Israel, and Palestine
- George Newland:** Denmark and Scandinavia
- Randy Nilson:** WWII German SS and police mail, Finnish military mail, Colorado POW/internment camps, and WWII censored airmail/suspended service covers
- Harry Pedersen:** United States (including revenues), U.S. Possessions, and 1840-1940 worldwide (including Scandinavia)
- Gary Shaver:** worldwide with specialties in United States, Canada, Germany, Great Britain, Hong Kong, Netherlands, Norway, and Sweden
- Tonny van Loij:** Colorado postal history, Kansas Territory and Colorado Territory postal history, classical music (Bach, Beethoven, Mozart), opera buildings (stamps and postcards), European Union, NATO, European Security Council (KSZE), Thurn and Taxis European postal service from 1499 to 1864 (specializing in foreign destinations), and Scandinavian destinations handled by Thurn and Taxis during 1854-1867

**Answer to Jumble® puzzle:** FENCE UNCLE SHRILL INSIST. The Helsinki marathon ended at the "FINNISH LINE"

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### A Featured Exhibition Titled “Vikings: Beyond the Legend” is Now Showing at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science

*Vikings: Beyond the Legend*, a joint venture between and produced by the Swedish History Museum in Sweden and MuseumsPartner in Austria, debuted at DMN&S on Friday, March 10.

**Wanderer, Warrior, Friend, or Foe?** Who were the Vikings really? A myth-busting exhibition that has captivated more than a million people around the world, *Vikings: Beyond the Legend* lays to waste to the one-dimensional stereotype of bearded barbarians with horned helmets. Guests will marvel instead at a culture of surprising refinement, complexity, and achievement, inspired by a supernatural world inhabited by Thor, Odin, Freyja, and other gods, goddesses, and giants. The exhibition sets the story straight using artifacts and hands-on activities to reveal glimpses into family and community, religion and rituals, travel and trade, aristocracy and slavery, and the significant role of women. These fresh insights revealed through archaeological discoveries show why the Vikings will always capture imaginations of all ages.

#### Highlights include:

- Two replica boats, named *Arby* and *Eik Sande*, meticulously recreated using Viking processes and materials of the time. The originals were used for local travel, along the coasts and on rivers.
- A “ghost ship” represented by a sculpture of 219 hanging iron rivets from an authentic aristocratic burial ship. All the wood from the boat disintegrated, leaving only the rivets situation in the ground.
- Striking examples of the work of highly skilled craftspeople who creatively used textiles, wood, metal, bone, leather, glass, and ceramics to create pieces for domestic life, ornamentation, and battle.
- Activities about everyday life, traditional clothing, the rune alphabet, authentic Viking games, and Norse mythology, and a chance to find out just how heavy those Viking swords really were.
- The oldest known Scandinavian crucifix □ illustrating the transition between Old Norse religious practices and Christianity.
- The Museum’s historical enactors, who set the stage and bring the Viking Age to life.

#### JUST THE FACTS!

*Here is a peek of what you will discover in the new exhibition.*

**Viking is not a nationality.** Between 750 and 1100 CE. The area now known as Denmark, Norway, and Sweden was inhabited by a mix of societies that had much in common but were not unified under one governing or belief system. They used the term “viking” to describe a trade expedition or a raid but did not use the word to describe themselves as a people. Over time, archaeologists and historians have come to refer to the as Vikings.

**Vikings were warriors, but they were also farmers.** Most Vikings carried scythes, not swords. While many did sail the seas and raid and trade with distant societies, most worked on farms tending to livestock or sowing crops to provide for their families. During their travels, they embraced trade with other nations, and many Vikings assimilated into the areas they initially raided.

**Vikings cared about their appearance.** Vikings were fastidious about their hygiene and appearance. Objects, fabric, and even human remains show they liked to wash up, dress up, and adorn themselves with valuable embellishments. Significant numbers of Viking artifacts include combs, ear spoons, tweezers, and other grooming supplies.

**Viking women had power.** Norse women were both highly regarded and feared. Depending on their social status, Viking women could inherit property, request a divorce, and reclaim their dowries if their marriages ended. Aristocratic women were said to have special powers and believed to be able to predict and alter destiny, much like goddesses and mythical creatures.

**Where are the horns?** Although horned helmets have come to symbolize the Viking age, this is historically inaccurate. The Romantic Age popularized the stereotypical Viking when one of the villains in Wagner’s opera *The Ring Cycle* wore a horned helmet. Artifacts show no evidence of horns. Viking helmets appeared on carvings, picture stones, tapestries, and other objects, and closer inspection has revealed that what appear to be horns were actually depiction of the heads of birds.

(Source: *Catalyst, Denver Museum of Nature & Science Magazine*, Spring 2017, Pages 4-5.)

## **SCC CHAPTER 27 APRIL 1, 2017 MEETING NOTIFICATION, PAGE 5**

### **Mini-Auction April 1, 2017**

Geno Brink submitted several lots of full panes of Christmas seals for our members' auction, but they arrived in my Saturday, March 4 mail delivery after I had left for our meeting in Denver. I contacted Geno and told him that we would conduct a brief mini-auction for his lots at the April 1 meeting. These will be offered as four large lots at the starting bids shown boldfaced far right, but if they fail to sell, individual panes will be offered after the meeting if there is interest.

Lot #1 – Denmark seals (5): 1951 SB \$8, 1970 SB \$2, 1991-93 SB \$2 each – **lot of 5 SB \$15**

Lot #2 – Faroes seals (16), 1976 (2), 1979-80, 1985-87, 1989-97 SB \$2 each – **lot of 16 SB \$30**  
(Note: Jay Smith prices these at \$7.50 to \$12 per sheet)

Lot #3 – Greenland seals (5), 1975 through 1978 (2 different types for 1978) SB \$2 each – **lot of 5 SB\$10**

Lot #4 – Greenland seals (19) 1979 through 1997 complete SB \$3 each – **lot of 19 SB \$53**  
(Note: eBay sellers price Greenland inconsistently, generally ranging \$4 to \$16 per sheet)