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Northern California Trivia

- Q. A shoot-out in 1871 between escapees of the Nevada State Penitentiary and a posse gave what Mono County lake its name?
- A. Convict Lake.
- Q. Where is Mission San Antonio De Padua?
- A. Near King City.

From *Northern California Trivia*
by Ernie & Jill Couch

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Speaking of Meetings

There has been a lot of discussion on these pages lamenting the lack of attendance by the membership. I've begged, pleaded, chastised and all but threatened bodily harm in an effort to have you attend.

This situation has gone on for some time now and we're in a catch-22 mode. You won't come because you feel there's nothing here for you and we can't plan anything as so very few of you show up.

If you folks will start coming I'll make certain we have programs. This will include speakers, slide shows, show and tell and, perhaps, we can start having auctions—maybe a dealer in attendance from time to time.

I've said it before and nothing has changed—this is your club. It doesn't belong to a select few—it's yours. You can make it whatever you want, but must attend to achieve anything. It's all about participating.

Filatelicefiesta.org

If you haven't checked out the website lately perhaps you should do so. Webmaster Tim Burgess has re-done the format and I believe to the better—much easier to view.

Filatelice Fiesta show information is being added as information becomes available.

It's very curious to me that not one person has made any comment on what they think should be included or even any suggestions regarding what they believe would be improvements.

Again, this is your club and it's your website—input is solicited.

Cover of the Month

One of the most difficult columns to write month after month is the *Cover of the Month*, that's why there are booklets, letters, etc. time-to-time.

Again, I ask that if you have an interesting, odd or rare cover that you do a short write-up on it and submit it for publishing in our monthly letter.

If you need help with the write-up I will to assist. Call, write or e-mail me.

New Member

It's with a great deal of egg on my face, not to mention a whole lot of embarrassment, that I welcome Gary la Crosse. Gary had joined back in March and while we cashed his check, it seems that's about all we did. We promptly lost him and he wasn't re-discovered until July 27th.

Gary has expressed a desire to help with Filatelice Fiesta and will attend our next show committee.

Again, my apologies to Mr. La Crosse and many thanks for wanting to serve on the FF committee.

As we've several new members why don't you make it a point to attend the next meeting and meet them, we'd like to see your smiling face.

Western Philatelic Library

Friends of the Western Philatelic Library are preparing to hold an election of new officers as soon as possible. But, as the by-laws are very outdated they must be rewritten prior to any election. A committee has been formed to re-write them.

If you are interested in running for an office or as a director please call me at 408.445.2694 and I will let you know of the place and time of the meeting for nominations.

Also, volunteers are needed for the increased work now ongoing.

Jim Sauer



But, Honey, I only bought it to get the revenue stamp!

