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# San Francisco Bay Area Post Card Club

Oct. to Dec. 2013

Saturday, October 26, 11 am to 3 pm Browsing and Trading, 11 to 1; Meeting begins at 1 pm Fort Mason Center, Bldg. *C*, Room C-260 Laguna Street at Marina Boulevard, San Francisco

Monthly meeting schedule on back cover. Visitors and dealers always welcome.

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**PROGRAM NOTES:** John Freeman on The Portola Festival of 1913. Although the name and even some postcards were a holdover from 1909, the 1913 Portola was not an earthquake recovery celebration. It was a promotion for the rebuilt city and the upcoming Panama Pacific International Exposition along with other twists. Come and enjoy John Freeman's presentation on the "Centennial of Portola in 1913—the Multi-Personality Festival."

**PARKING:** *Can be tough*. Come early; there are many pleasant diversions at Fort Mason Center—especially the library booksale and its coffee area. Inside the gates, \$10 or more—or free, on-street and through the gates off Bay Street at Franklin above Fort Mason Center. As always, best to take the Muni, walk or carpool.



# **COVER CARD**

The world was much younger half a century ago when President Kennedy was shot, as recalled on a postcard from Dan Saks's album. We have grown older since then, but are we wiser? Dan writes: "Did the modern era of conspiracy theory begin with the event depicted on this postcard? On November 22, 2013, it will be fifty years since President John Fitzgerald Kennedy was assas-

sinated in Dallas, Texas. This postcard illustrates the Warren Commission's findings. Some conspiracists still believe at least one shot originated from the Grassy Knoll to the left of the 'Second Shot' marker." -ED.

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# MINUTES, September 28, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Ed Herny at 1 pm in room C-260 at Fort Mason Center. **Vendors present:** Ed Herny, David Parry, Alex Pellegrini, Arlene and Ted Miles, Lauren Thor, Sue Scott, Joseph Jaynes, leftovers from the club box. There were approx. 40 members in attendance.

Announcements: Alex let us know that the Friends of the Library sale was going on here at Ft. Mason and tomorrow all the books will be one dollar. They also have a few post cards for sale.

Jack told us that Frida Kahlo's father's photography is in the SF main library through December.

Ed told us that we can find info on the new San Jose show on October 9 and all the upcoming postcard shows at <u>www.postcard.org</u>.

**Drawing:** Items included nice PPIE cards from Steve Schmale and the book, BORING POSTCARDS. **Old business:** None.

New Business: Ed Clausen shared a recent memo from Ft. Mason Center telling that our club may lose our monthly meeting room. FMC wants to rent the large rooms on a full time basis. We discussed what is next for us. We may need a new permanent place to meet. We may get to have the current room for Jan. and Feb. Dismal news as most of us LOVE it here. Presently, we pay \$154 a month for four hours in the large room. A thought was to rent two smaller rooms each month. Ft. Mason does not plan to rent those out on a permanent basis.

Ed Herny made a surprise presentation to our long

time member and supporter, Dan Saks. The framed poster was a humorous testimonial to express our appreciation for all Dan has always done for the club. It was hoped it will be a central addition to his DUH (dog urination humor) collection.

Show & Tell: Jack Hudson showed a 2014 calendar featuring Barney Oldfield which included a drawing of the race car driver on sheet music (something for which Jack is now searching), and he showed a real photo (RP) of "Barney broke a record today." ... Chuck Banneck brought a printed card of Harry Breton, "King of Aerial Autoists," who jumped off a



ramp in his 500 pound "flying" car. ... Harold Wright showed a snazzy new postcard of the upgraded Boat House at Stow Lake; "Everything is much improved, and postcards are for sale." ... Craig Blackstone is always on the hunt for unusual Sonoma County cards. He showed one of the fire warden station atop Mt. St. Helena. ... John Freeman brought two bizarrely shaped postcards, a leather shoe sole from 1905 and a die cut Mexican sombrero from La Fiesta restaurant at Bay and Columbus, used 1941. ... Fred van der Heyden showed a Chart of Life folder from the GGIE, a poster on handwriting analysis and a salesman's "I'm coming!" postcard. ... Ed Herny showed a WW II comic strip postcard. Respectfully submitted,

—Nancy Redden, Sec'y

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- Todd Kvamme, an enthusiastic collector of Disney parks, 20th century aviation, automotive and comics, and he maintains a website and blogs at www. sundrycollectibles.net. He welcomes approvals.
- Steve Yvaska is a newspaper antiques columnist and a collector of almost everything.
- Welcome back: Burl Willes, Wayne Nelson, Kit and Linda Hinrichs.
- A new ROSTER will soon be compiled. Please send any changes to editor(at)postcard.org today!

#### **POSTCARD CALENDAR**

- Oct 26, Sat, WALNUT CREEK, Railroad Collectibles Show, 1475 Creekside Drive, 9am-4pm\*
- Nov 1-3, Fri-Sun, SAN MATEO, Hillsborough Antique Show, Expo Fairgrounds, from 11 am\*
- Nov 9-10, Sat-Sun, ARCADIA, San Gabriel Valley Postcard Show, 50 W. Duarte Rd., from 10am+
- Nov 24, Sun, WALNUT CREEK, Vintage Paper Fair, 1475 Creekside Drive, 10am-5pm, Free admission and parking!\*
- Jan 4-5, 2014, Sat-Sun, SAN FRANCISCO, Vintage Paper Fair, Hall of Flowers, 9th Ave. & Lincoln; 10am-6pm and 11am-5pm. Free entry\*+
- Jan 11-12, Sat-Sun, GLENDALE, Vintage Paper Fair, Glendale Civic Auditorium, 1401 N. Verdugo Rd., Food! Free entry
- Jan 24-25, Fri-Sat, PHOENIX AZ, Greater Phoenix Show, 5757 N. Central, from 10am, out of state license = free entry, www.therbfshow.com
- Feb 7-9, Fri-Sun SAN MATEO, Hillsborough Antique Show, Expo Fairgrounds, from 11 am\*
- May 3, Sat, SACRAMENTO, Vintage Paper Fair, Elks Lodge, 6446 Riverside Blvd., 10 AM, free parking, free entry. NEW SHOW!
- Bolded entries are produced by club members.
- \* Ken Prag will be there; let him know what to bring; 415 586-9386, kprag(at)planetaria.net

+ R&N will have cards and supplies.

Vintage Paper Fair info: www.vintagepaperfair.com

#### EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

One of my favorite movies is "New Faces of 1952" with Robert Clary, Eartha Kitt and Mel Brooks. The opening line of its musical within a musical is, "This has certainly been a season for experiment in the theater...." Those are the words that come to my mind when I think of the 2013 newsletter year. Our first color pages-a startling centerfold! An XXL issue-with 24 pages! Such experiments may not be repeated; the first was way too costly, and the second gave me and the USPS aches and pains. But they were exciting. Even more so, as it should be, was the original writing and research presented in these pages by new and venerable club members on our topic of choice, picture postcards.

The coming year should be no different. A few new twists will be attempted that should up the pleasure quotient for all of us.

That pleasure will be a function of the participation by many of us. If the Editor's In basket is kept filled, so will the pages be. Send comments, criticism, news, scans of interesting cards and articles to editor(at)postcard.org. Keep the feedback coming! One thing that we ALL can do to make the job easy for me is to renew before the end of the year. I am not a bookkeeper and dread the chore of deleting past due memberships and then reinstating them. Renewing at the Supporting level will help the club and encourage yrs truly. —Ер.

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## SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

# **KIT HINRICHS on ALPHABET CARDS**

"I'm primarily an American Flag collector. But as a designer, I am intimately involved in typography as a design element and found myself very attracted to Large Letter postcards," Kit began. It was then that an LL card typical of the Linens of the 1940s

flashed on the screen. The bright poster style colors, and the blocky letters of the town's name filled with images of the locale were cheerful, a bit zany and very commonly seen.

"The Large Letters that I collect," Kit went on, "are from an earlier era." Before the colorful linens were the Large Letter Name cards with first names of men and women boldly written, and even before those were true LLs made with darkroom and artistic manipulation.

One category of Alphabet Cards Kit has termed *Babes and States*. In this group women are shown with the ini-

tial letter of a state's name, and each card is given imprimatur with an image of the state's seal.

Each card in *Women in Letters* is a mix of letterpress and photographic plate printing as the photofaces have been tinted.

Letters & Blossoms from the early 20th century are primarily hand tinted black and white photo cards.

*Flower Letters* are just that, letters shaped with stem and braided flowers. Some are a bit saccharine, but those by Klein are very nice.

*Flower Children* are a hybrid of letters shaped with flowers and garnished with babies' faces.

Moving from the sweet to the sublime, Kit showed us his *Classical Letters* group—togaed women holding flowers draped into letter forms on real photo cards.

We had definitely left the nursery and the morning room albums when we came to *Art Deco Letters*, cards Kit labeled "spectacular" from later in the 1900s.

*Learning Letters* took us back to the nursery, but the "B as in Butcher" was not for the vegetarian



AMPERSAND IN FANCY PAPER BY KIT HINRICHS

viewer. These cards are particularly delightful when found in various languages.

Cutesy but beautiful describes *Dutch Letters*, handsome, vibrantly colored silkscreened images of postcard typical Dutch Kids involved with letters.

*Golden Letters* have embossed gold foil and are airbrushed with branch like lettering, and *Romantic Letters* are LLs with romantic scenes behind and metallic ink over black and white photo images.

Landscape Letters feature women with plein aire style backgrounds or, without women, picturing seasons or foreign scenes.

*Traveling Letters* show LLs in various locales.

*Women, Children & Letters,* Oh My! These involve the most elaborate setups for the photo shoots from which the card images are made. Letters are con-

structed of various materials and women and children are arranged in, on and around each alphabetical creation.

*Heavenly Letters* have been ornamented with cherubim, and *Surreal Letters* are montage like. *Dramatic Letters* have women in dramatic roles along-side.

Most of the early Alphabet Cards were published in Europe. Although they (supposedly) came in full sets, some letters are extremely difficult to find—X, for instance. A few sets include numbers and symbols which take LLs beyond the adoration of a favorite name on into the mysteries of numerology and punctuation.

Before closing Kit revealed that he has designed LLs as announcement cards for the Antiquarian Book Fair which led to his publishing full sets of alphabet cards made of elegant paper designs. He very kindly brought several sets of those and copies of his (very nice!) booklet, "The Alphabet Card," which he sold for the benefit of the club. [More of both might be available at the next meeting.] —NOTES BY LB

























CATHERINE KLEIN, SERIES 148

# EASTMAN'S STUDIO, PART II The Chrome Years

#### The Rest of the Story

Just before "*The Photographer Project*—Eastman's Studio" was published in the September newsletter, the Editor had a chance encounter at the Santa Cruz show with Valerie Simmons, daughter of photographer Mirl H. Simmons. Reading the newsletter brought back memories of "The Studio" in Susanville, and prompted Valerie to share a few details:

"My dad, Mirl Simmons, worked as a photographer in his home state of West Virginia before coming to California where he was assigned to do photos of the CCC projects with a Russian photographer. While working in the Westwood area he got to know Jervie Eastman, and eventually went to work for him. Later my dad was a Lieutenant and flight instructor in the Air Force in Yuma, Arizona during WWII. Although I can't be sure who took most of the postcard photos shown in the newsletter, the young woman sitting on the rock wall in View of Mt. Shasta, 1941 was my mother, Marie Simmons, so I'm pretty sure my dad took that one."

Valerie recalls that as a child she spent many hours drying freshly developed black and white photo postcards in the studio, and filling orders for chromes. "The most popular postcard was a ground squirrel standing on a rock eating a nut. For the aerial photos, Daddy used to take the door off the plane



SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL AIRPORT MIRL H. SIMMONS PHOTO, CIRCA 1955

and lean out to take those pictures. I wish he were here to see his work appreciated."

Thanks to Valerie and Lassen County historian



Tim Purdy, the people in the 1957 shop staff photograph have been identified, from left to right: Fred Thompson, June Gam-

ble, Jervie Eastman, June's sister Mary, and Jervie's wife, Minnie. Valerie remembers that June and Mary worked at the studio for years.

"After he sold the studio (in 1980), my dad continued to take color photos of the West and had several shows of his work, but I think the Mendocino photo titled "Tree in Fog" was the only one made into a postcard. I think the work he did after he sold the studio was by far his best. A family legend says that Ansel Adams remarked, when viewing a display of my father's photos at the Yosemite Valley gallery, 'If I worked in color, I would like to do work like this." —*Frank Sternad* 

COLOR SLIDES OF THIS SCENE AVAILABLE AT 50 CENTS EACH FROM YOUR DEALER OR EASTMAN'S STUDIO, 914 MAIN STREET, SUSANVILLE, CALIF.



EASTMAN'S STUDIO, CANOEING ON THE RUSSIAN RIVER. PRE-1964



EASTMAN'S STUDIO, LASSEN VOLCANIC NATIONAL PARK, BOILING SPRINGS LAKE



EASTMAN'S STUDIO, AUBURN HISTORIC AREA 1950S



EASTMAN'S STUDIO, RICHARDSON SPRINGS HOTEL, PRE-1964



EASTMAN'S STUDIO, GRASS VALLEY MAIN STREET, MID-1960S

EASTMAN'S STUDIO THE OLD MINER MIRRO-KROME, PRE-1964 >



MIRL SIMMONS, GRANDADDY TREE AT HARTSOOK INN, MIRRO-KROME PRE-1964







EASTMAN'S STUDIO, "NUTS TO YOU," 1948 MIRL H. SIMMONS WITH EASTMAN'S STUDIO 1946 STINSON AIRCRAFT, < COURTESY VALERIE SIMMONS

# GETTING "THERE" The Eastern Span of the San Francisco – Oakland Bay Bridge

Ant Parent

The cage like trusses of the eastern half of the Bav Bridge did notexcept, perhaps, to a steel worker or civil engineerelicit expressions of delight as the towers of the western spans, or of the Golden Gate Bridge, so famously do. When the Erector Set span

failed in part after the 1989 quake, its death knell

was rung. The towering suspension array that supports the new roadway deservedly receives wow!s and OMG!s when first viewed, but beyond surprise, do folks remark on its beauty or grandeur? I have not heard.

Postcard views of the eastern half of the bridge are not nearly as numerous as are ones



NCISCO OAKLAND BAY BRIDGE CANTILEVER SECTION NIGHT JELUMINATION

BAY BRIDGE IN 1920 AS IMAGINED IN 1907 LEON C. OSTEYEE, 1370 SUTTER STREET, S. F.

of the western portion, so when I first saw this night view that made me gasp with delight, that gasp was in part for surprise. The girdered chute that I would speed through by car en route to classes at Cal, or aboard the Key System cars heading to Rocks Unlimited on Uni-

versity Avenue, is to be demolished over the next

several years, but we'll have postcard views to recall its cluttered, grimy, silver gilded familiarity.

And postcards will tell us of more than we recall. What is that brightly lighted structure alongside the cantilevered section? How did it get there? Where did it go?

Frank's research reveals that the Key







System Mole and Ferry Terminal (1903-1936) was one of several earthen piers extending from Oakland out into the Bay to facilitate passenger train and ferry connections. At its end, about two-thirds of the way to Yerba Buena Island, the mole widened to a huge terminal built on wooden trestles that included ferry slips, streetcar storage, waiting rooms and concessions. This section of the system burned May 6, 1933, taking the ferryboat Peralta, 40 rail cars and over 500 yards of trestle with it. A pier and terminal replacement was displaced slightly to the south to allow for construction of the Bay Bridge which was completed in November 1936. At that point the Key System utilized buses to supplement transbay travel

until 1939 when dual tracks opened on the lower deck of the bridge. The Key System interurban service connected with the new Transbay Terminal in San Francisco. Key streetcars ran on the bridge until the system was dismantled 1958-60.





was completed in Nopoint the Key System ement transbay travel The mole had been there; the bridge rose up beside it; the mole withdrew and disappeared as will

CONTRIBUTORS: Ed Clausen, Frank Sternad and Lew Baer

the span that led us to where *there* was... then. —LB







# by TED MILES

**Mystic Seaport Museum** is the largest maritime museum in the United States. Founded in 1929, by three men who wished to preserve part of New

Morgan placed the museum into the forefront of

maritime museums. The bark was built for whaling in 1841 at Fairhaven, Massachusetts and is not only

the last American whale ship but one of the oldest

growth for the Seaport. They have created the only

maritime restoration village in the country. Instead

of a typical land-based restoration village with a

The period following World War II was a time of

wooden merchant ships in the country.

England's maritime history, it was originally called the Marine Historical Association. I have been visiting there since I was a young child. Mystic, Connecticut was a small town with a significant fishing, whaling and ship building history. The museum remained a local historical society through the 1930s. However, in 1941, the arrival of the *Charles W*.



AIR VIEW OF THE MYSTIC RIVER

PUBLISHED BY BOOK & TACKLE SHOP, WESTERLY, RI

the grounds so it was decided to build a replica of the Brant Point lighthouse at Nantucket, Massachusetts. The museum knows it is a popular photographic spot and has pro-

graphic spot and has produced many postcards of the building.

The first postcards published by the museum were with Art-View, a business in New York that produced postcards for a number of eastern museums such as Colonial Williamsburg and the Mariners Museum.

The second significant part of the Seaport Museum is the watercraft collec-

tion. The iron training ship *Joseph Conrad* arrived at Mystic in 1947; today she remains tied to the dock, where she continues to teach young people about the maritime experience. (Ships, especially sailing ships, have long been called *she* because, it is said, they are expensive to care for and always looking for a nice outfit such as a new suit of sails.)

Mystic was among the first museums to collect small craft—boats that were used in fishing, lobstering, and whaling. The Seaport Museum has over 350

blacksmith shop; they have a shipsmith shop that makes metal parts for sailing ships. The Seaport has a cooper shop, a ropewalk, a nautical instrument shop, and a ship chandlery to name a few of the buildings and crafts. The village contains houses, churches, and a doctor's office, bank and general store.

Lighthouses are a popular maritime postcard category. Mystic was unable to find a lighthouse to move to



MUSEUM OF MARINE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, INC., MYSTIC, CT PUB. BY ARTVUE POST CARD CO., NYC

watercraft in the small boat collection. Among them is a fine collection of yachts, both sail and engine powered. There is a United States Lifesaving Station building displayed with several lifesaving boats.

The third major facet of the Seaport is its traditional maritime displays. Placed in several buildings around the grounds are exhibits such as their largest on



FURLING SAIL ON THE CHARLES T.W. MORGAN, LAST OF THE OLD WHALESHIPS AT CHUBB'S WHARF



LIGHTHOUSE AT MYSTIC SEAPORT



THE CHARLES W. MORGAN, "THE LAST OF THE AMERICAN SQUARE RIGGED WHALESHIPS"

three floors called "America and the Sea." It explains the many and varied elements of why Americans took to the sea.

The Seaport has a fine collection of ship carvings. The figurehead exhibit shows the carvings to the visitors in a building of their own. It is my favorite of the traditional exhibits.

A Down-easter was the type of wooden sailing ship built in Massachusetts and Maine after the Civil War; there were about 900 of them and none of them survives today. The last one in New England was the ship *Benjamin F. Packard* built at Bath, Maine in 1883. She lasted until 1939 when she was scuttled in Long Island Sound. Even though the Seaport could not preserve a 250 foot long square-rigger, they did preserve the Officer's Quarters and Captain's Cabin of the vessel. This grouping of rooms with hardwood paneling on the walls, elegant furniture in the dining saloon and carpets on the deck is there for visitors to learn about a vanished part of America's maritime history.

Like many historical museums; Mystic has both temporary and traveling exhibits; a recent example is "Tug Boats" which gives a look at these craft from the past to today's large and powerful boats whose job is to assist container ships, oil tankers and cruise ships in and out of our harbors. In today's harbors they haul garbage scows (barges) out to sea and as-



19TH C. NEW ENGLAND DOCKSIDE; PHOTO B. L. GORDON



WHALESHIP CHARLES W. MORGAN





SAILING CARD, 1865, G.W. BLUNT WHITE LIBRARY



sist docking large new passenger ships. Although many of today's ships have bow thrusters (propellers under the bow) they still need the assistance of tug boats.

The Mystic Seaport Museum has a significant fine arts collection, but there have been no postcards of it since the early years of the museum.



SCRIMSHAW EXHIBIT, PUB. BY ARTVUE POST CARD CO.



ARTISTIC MODERN WITH MARITIME CHART BACKGROUND

A visit to this large and complex museum is well worthwhile. Remember that your admission ticket is good for two days. While you are there be sure to visit the Seaport store where the postcard racks are stocked with the latest examples of Seaport postcards. In that connection, if you have any postcards of the Mystic Seaport Museum that are not on the check list attached to the online issue of this newsletter, please contact me at a meeting or through the club roster, so I can add them to the list.

Thanks are due to my friend and fellow maritime postcard collector, Norman Brouwer, for his assistance in compiling this list. He, too, has spent many years enjoying the sport of collecting Mystic Seaport Museum postcards.

#### Editor's Note:

A complete Mystic Seaport postcard checklist is at the end of this newsletter on page 17. <u>www.mysticsea-</u> <u>port.org</u> also has useful reference material.

# The Photographer Project

# DORE PHOTO STUDIO

Cobb's Dore Gallery was the name of a photo studio run by David Cobb at 1144 Market St in San Francisco, 1882-89 (a cabinet photo circa 1883-84 is known). John G. Hucks acquired the location in March 1889, calling the business New York Photograph Gallery, and no evidence has surfaced he adopted the Dore name until 1897 after moving to 1228 Market. At that address he called his operation Dore Photo Studio, a name retained after the 1906





quake forced Hucks and his son George, a photo printer, to relocate to 2308 Mission. George took over in 1915 when his father died.

Jim Caddick suggested that the original studio was named after Gustave Dore, prolific French artist and illustrator who died in January 1883. The timing is right. Our Editor suggested that Doree (properly punctuated) would be a good name for a children's photographer, from *la jeunesse* 

*doree*, the term for the wealthy, gilded youth of 19th century France.

The name continues today for a photographer on Mission Street serving neighborhood clientele.

It was the real photo advertising card that called attention to this usually straightforward children's photographer. The exceptional card with Multiple Babies and photo insets of the studio proprietor and the "operator," rates the card as rarely-if-never-seenbefore.

> —Frank Sternad, Lew Baer





# **MEETING DAY FINDS**

Last club meeting day, Janet and I got to the city in time to see the Richard Diebenkorn show at the De Young. It was national Museum Day, and we had

free passes. Here is his Berkeley #5 from 1953. We may have seen him painting it while Janet was in his class at CSFA. We also stopped at a Polish grocery and found this gruss aus SF card w języku polskim, made here by ZB Printing. —ED.





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# TREASURER/HALL MANAGER REPORT

#### As of October 1, 2013..... \$2,364.51

As announced at the September meeting, Fort Mason Center is attempting to lease "our" meeting rooms to long-term tenants and thus remove them from the rental market. After much discussion and many emails, the concensus is that, rather than trying to relocate, we stay at The Fort, even if that means moving to smaller quarters.

With that in mind, I have submitted our "Event Request Form" for 2014. The request is that we continue to use the larger rooms on the 2nd and 3rd floors of Bldg. C as long as they are available. When/ if they are leased for office space then I requested room C210, the smaller room at the end of the second floor hallway where we met for many years. The room has a stated capacity of 50 people but is less than half the size of the room we now use so we may have to make adjustments for dealer space, etc.

On October 9, our request was confirmed.

-Ed Clausen, Treasurer/Hall Manager

#### DUES RENEWALS

Please look closely at the mailing label on this newsletter to check if your dues will be due for 2014. This has been a stellar year for the SFBAPCC with outstanding programs, a postcard walk of Sutro Heights and participation in the celebration of the sesquicentennial of the Cliff House. With your support and your participation the coming year will also be a winner. You can help by renewing your dues promptly at www.postcard.org. Be sure to continue on through the PayPal link to make your payment. This is the easiest way to renew for *all* of us.

If online payments are not for you, please mail your check to SFBAPCC, PO Box 621, Penngrove CA 94951, or pay at a meeting.

Dues are \$20 for individual or family memberships, and \$30 for out of the U.S. memberships. We all have the option to become Supporting members by adding \$10 or more to the regular renewal amounts.

#### FOR THE RECORD R

Two images in the September newsletter (pp. 15,16), courtesy Eastman's Originals Collection, UC Davis.

P.J. STATE OF THE HOBBY: The supportive - and enthusiastic membership that the SFBAPCC enjoys are not universal qualities. The newsletter for another club forwarded to me announced "...it was decided to stop having meetings...."

WORD FROM CAROL JENSEN brought the news that cereal box postcards were in vogue again thanks to Cheerios. A few days later one of them arrived in our PO box. They had been an advertising gimmick in the 1950s (and later?) with a design on the outside of the box and the business part of the card printed on the interior. They're still done that way, but the "design" has slipped into near nothingness. The

message side is the now more



IN THE ON-

LINE VERSION of the New York Times caught Nancy Russell's fancy... and mine, too. On August first, "Dave" in the Pacific Northwest wrote: "...I am one of those people who misses the days of postcards and hand-written (or even personally-typed) letters arriving in my mailbox, sent by friends and family, bearing the beautiful artwork of stamps and exotic cancelings. ¶ One of my favorites is a postcard from Namche Bazaar in the Himalayas of Nepal. Whenever I look at it I am reminded of my friend's tale of seeking out the local post office-an adventure in itself, he told me-and watching the clerk open a special box, trim a single stamp from a sheet with giant, ancient scissors, brush glue upon it, and carefully affix it to the postcard. All that was followed by a ceremonious inking of the carved wooden postmark stamp, and then its application with a resounding 'Thump!' as the clerk cancelled the postage stamp. That postcard took about eight weeks to reach me, and I have visions of it stuffed in a sack

with dozens of other pieces of mail traveling slowly to Kathmandu by yak. ¶ Electronic communications, especially now with all the...cyber-snooping by our over-reaching...government, will never have the romance of even the most humble postcard—a form of mail we knowingly sent off expecting everyone along the way to read and enjoy.

VERA SEPULVEDA is one of our more stalwart members having missed almost none of the meetings since becoming one of us a few years ago. Vera is a name not heard much in recent years. It rings of truth with a British accent and has the allure of the theatre. Now we have another vintage Vera amongst us. Lori Kimball in Ripley, OK has a new business she calls veraviola on the etsy site. Take a look, you'll get to "meet" Lori and might find something that intrigues you: www.etsy.com/shop/veraviola/about/ (Lori supplied the fabulous Sierra Art Co. RPs in



the August 2006 newsletter.)

**RENEWAL DETAILS** came from Burl Willes on а beautifully original postcard. It was published by the Berkeley Historical Society and Dr. Paul Hocking, and perfectly portrays handpainted the stained glass in the entryway of Capt. Joseph Boudrow's

1893 Landmark home. The center design within the jewel flower motifs is of the Golden Gate "as spied from the tower of the Queen Anne style house."

**SHOW BIZ:** For us in Northern California 2013 has been a remarkable year, and 2014 should be more of the same. [Is this sounding repetitious?] The two Golden Gate Park shows neared the crowded fervor of the great bourses of the past century. ... Santa Cruz increased its energy and excitement by not growing too large and by sticking with dealers who mostly set

up at few other shows in the area. ... Walnut Creek was reported to be a winner as it should be again in November, and the new San Jose show will be held in a week in a location rife with collectors. ... Next year will bring us Sacramento and the opportunity to renew friendships with dealers and collectors from the Gold Country and Central Valley. ... We in the north will be able to winter in the desert at the Phoenix Show late in January. That's a pleasant drive with an overnight break in Las Vegas where the glitzy glamour is shock enough to reset our senses to Default. ... Here or there, there's lots to be seen, much fun to be found and great postcards waiting for each of us. ... All of our club show promoters deserve thanks and support.

**WESTPEX** will be here in 2014, too. It's *not* just stamps!



THE PHOTOGRAPHED CAT is a new book from Syracuse University Press. One of its authors is Arnold Arluke who has cowritten postcard rich books with clubster Bob Bogdan. Although the new volume does not advertise its postcard wealth, most of the



images in it are recognizable as our favorite format.

**IT'S ONLY OCTOBER**, but this will be the last issue of the newsletter for the year. "Gotta have a holiday," sez the Editor. There'll be a nifty postcard reminder for the November meeting. Plan on bringing an edible contribution for our holidaze party. —ED.

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# CHECKLIST — MYSTIC SEAPORT POSTCARDS

Mystic Seaport Postcards-by publisher: (Norman Brouwer collection 3/2012) Additional cards added from Ted and Arlene Miles collection 6/2012

Artvue (black & white)

Binnacle of America's Cup yachts, vertical CHARLES W. MORGAN arriving in the lower river CHARLES W. MORGAN arriving, from bridge CHARLES W. MORGAN dressed for 101st birthday, vertical CHARLES W. MORGAN whaleboat under bowsprit, vertical Figurehead of ship COLUMBIA Group of buildings, Wendell on right Jolly Boat of the ANGLO SAXON under cover Jolly Boat of the ANGLO SAXON in gallery, vertical JOSEPH CONRAD & CHARLES W. MORGAN vertical, dressed with flags JOSEPH CONRAD under sail (pre-Seaport photo) JOSEPH CONRAD vertical Mallory and Wendell Buildings over oval North Building, anchor on left Reliance engine and firehouse Shorefront under bowsprit of CHARLES W. MORGAN, whaleboat on left Stillman Building, interior of south wing Stillman Building, interior of second floor Wendell, Mallory Buildings and Seaport Store Artwork; clipper ship RED JACKET in ice off Cape Horn Artwork; clipper ship ANDREW JACKSON of Mystic under full sail Folder with 10 views

Book and Tackle Shop

Aerial view-44667-D Charles W Morgan-3602-C Aerial view from north "Mystic Connecticut" (4 x 6)-53521 Fishtown Chapel-44751 Brant Point lighthouse CHARLES W. MORGAN across water, spanker and sails on foremast set CHARLES W. MORGAN dressed with flags, vertical-CT108 CHARLES W. MORGAN dressed with flags, vertical "WHALESHIP" (4 x 6)-55209 CHARLES W. MORGAN from off port quarter, spanker set (4 x 6)-82680-D CHARLES W. MORGAN looking up at foremast from wharf, furling upper topsail-51802 CHARLES W. MORGAN "Oldest whaleship afloat," etc. (4 x 6)-37117 CHARLES W. MORGAN over people on benches, horse and wagon (4 x 6)-46371 CHARLES W. MORGAN over rooftop, spanker and sails on foremast set

18 CHARLES W. MORGAN sails set, vertical CHARLES W. MORGAN-47137 CHARLES W. MORGAN-51804 CHARLES W. MORGAN, spanker, upper sails on main, headsails set CHARLES W. MORGAN stern, flags on right CHARLES W. MORGAN vertical with sails on fore set, oval in white, iron on transfer Distant view across river-34835 EMMA C. BERRY as schooner, at anchor EMMA C. BERRY with Seaport Street-P300313 Interior of Aids to Navigation Building-42678 JOSEPH CONRAD bow, dressed with flags, black border, vertical-P335653 JOSEPH CONRAD bow, people on jibboom, boy on right-39729 JOSEPH CONRAD bow, woman and child-3603-C JOSEPH CONRAD dressed with flags vertical, black border and red heart window-P333576 JOSEPH CONRAD "Mystic Seaport" (4 x 6)-46374 JOSEPH CONRAD looking up at foremast from wharf, furling upper topsail-82610 JOSEPH CONRAD over bowsprit of DOROTHY A. PARSONS, vertical-42455 JOSEPH CONRAD with topsail set-42455 JOSEPH CONRAD Bow-32222 JOSEPH CONRAD with MYSTIC BELLE-L. A. DUNTON stern view-39727 Nested dories on L. A. DUNTON-39727 People on topsail yard of JOSEPH CONRAD furling sail-82681-D SABINO and Lighthouse "Mystic Seaport Connecticut" (4 x 6)-63645 SABINO underway, bow on-P317583 **SABINO-49870** SABINO-68678 South side of Shipyard Point; lighthouse and BRILLIANT-54890-D (Scallop edge 4 x 6 version by photographer John F. Urwiller) Street under bowsprit of CHARLES W. MORGAN, horse and wagon-39212 View across river in fall, calm water  $(4 \times 6)$ -57945 View across river in fall, calm water, with shore in foreground (4 x 6)-42245-D View across river in winter, with ducks and swans-44669-D Stillman Building interior-42679 Stillman Building bay window-47139 EMMA C. BERRY in window-47144 DYER DOWS and JOSEPH CONRAD-47143 L.A. DUNTON with cannon-42677

#### Collotype Co. (black & white)

CHARLES W. MORGAN vertical JOSEPH CONRAD and CHARLES W. MORGAN

The Color Studio (4 x 6)

CHARLES W. MORGAN with only lowermasts, anchor in foreground-MY-28 NELLIE RYLE-MY-30 IOSEPH CONRAD at the dock-MY-33

Colorful Connecticut BRINKERHOFF bow on left, Stillman Building-32834 JOSEPH CONRAD bow on left, CHARLES W. MORGAN-32830

D. & S. Distributors

Oyster shack "Connecticut" Shorefront near Art Gallery "Connecticut USA" Seaport Village

Dexter Press/P.Hummacher (black & white, white border) CHARLES W. MORGAN-34827 on front

L. H. Froman View under tree limb in front of Mallory Building-P15951 CHARLES W. MORGAN vertical, tavern on left-P16335 Interior of Daboll School of navigation-P14704 Kynett Room, Stillman Building-P15950 Mallory Building interior-P14705 Shoreline; shed on left, AUSTRALIA in center-P21397 Street; Buckingham House on left, Fishtown chapel in distance, tavern on right Shafter's Tavern Shafter's Tavern and CHARLES W. MORGAN Pynchon Junior Museum-2947 Pynchon Junior Museum-2948

Mystic River Photography 2010 (4 x 6)

Brant Point Lighthouse, looking up, light behind "Mystic, Connecticut" Brant Point Lighthouse vertical, BRILLIANT masts in background "Mystic, Connecticut" Brant Point Lighthouse vertical, with railed ramp "Mystic, Connecticut" JOSEPH CONRAD "Mystic, Connecticut" KINGSTON II at wharf "Mystic, Connecticut"

# National Maritime Historical Society (4 x 6)

# CHARLES W. MORGAN from water, SABINO on left (2010 meeting notice)

New England Photo (4 x 6)

View from river with lighthouse and BRILLIANT, white border "Connecticut Shoreline"

New London News Co. (some re-labeled "Mystic Seaport Stores") Aloha Meeting House under trees-P63646 Armillary Sphere, membership building on left-P300314 Buckingham House-P63647 Seaport Street-P300313 CHARLES W. MORGAN between trees-P63645 CHARLES W. MORGAN deck, looking toward try works, vertical-P63651 CHARLES W. MORGAN from waterfront street-P1575 CHARLES W. MORGAN linen, no yards-77896 CHARLES W. MORGAN over wagon-P63639 CHARLES W. MORGAN stern on left, JOSEPH CONRAD on right-P72223 DOROTHY A. PARSONS vertical-P63648 BOWDAIN-P63644 Interior of Pynchon Junior Museum-P44455 Fishtown Chapel-P63653 BUGEYE with JOSEPH CONRAD-P63643 BUGEYE with JOSEPH CONRAD-P63650 BUGEYE with JOSEPH CONRAD-P63643 JOSEPH CONRAD vertical, dressed with flags (same as Book & Tackle Shop, but no border) Mallory Sail Loft, JOSEPH CONRAD in background-P63649 Shipyard work; mastless AUSTRALIA hauled out-P63641 Shoreline from sail loft, DOROTHY A. PARSONS in center-P63643 Shoreline with JOSEPH CONRAD in center, stern to camera-P63640 Stillman Building across oval-P13090 Street and shorefront, AUSTRALIA and CHARLES W. MORGAN on left-P7498 Street under bowsprit of CHARLES W. MORGAN-P63652 Aloha Meeting House-P63646 Mystic Seaport folder-91105

Schellmark Inc. (4 x 6)

Shipyard Point and Lighthouse from water-RS 1650

Sedge Le Blanc

Aerial view-S-32347 JOSEPH CONRAD-32423-1 CHARLES W. MORGAN-S-32346 L. A. DUNTON from water, close to port bow REGINA M, buildings in background CHARLES W. MORGAN with REGINA M in the background JOSEPH CONRAD stern view with flags L A DUNTON close up of bow Lobster Shack

Stonington Tercentenary (black & white) CHARLES W. MORGAN, pinky on shore on left, vertical

Tichnor Street, store on right, Fishtown Chapel in distance-#1 AUSTRALIA at left-#2 CHARLES W. MORGAN-#3 JOSEPH CONRAD-#4 CHARLES W. MORGAN-#5

# John F. Unwiller (4 x 6, scalloped edge) CHARLES W. MORGAN dressed with flags, topsails set, view of stern, vertical-47180-D

# Valley Publishing

BRINKERHOFF-58150 Buildings across oval-58153 CHARLES W. MORGAN vertical, large anchor in foreground-58155 Cruising Club Dock-58154 Firehouse and shipsmith shop-58159 Fishtown Chapel vertical-58158 Glasgo Schoolhouse vertical-58157 JOSEPH CONRAD, dressed with flags, no upper yards - 8110 New York Yacht Club-58152 Shorefront; bank on left, AUSTRALIA on right-58156 Interior of General Store-17596

Walter H. Miller CHARLES W. MORGAN-143132 CHARLES W. MORGAN vertical, lamp post in foreground-65184 L.A. DUNTON-144654 Game Room of Spouter Tavern-65187 Game Room of Spouter Tavern-144657 Interior of Boardman School-65182 Interior of Boat Shop-144651 Interior of Daboll School of navigation-65191
Interior of Doctor's office-65198
Interior of shipcarving shop-107130
Interior of the boatshop-187131
Spouter Tavern-65185
Street and shorefront from corner of Shipsmith shop-65174
Taproom of Spouter Tavern-65186
Seaport Street-143327
USCG EAGLE Figurehead-65192
Fishtown Chapel-65196

The Wilking Studio

BRILLIANT under sail, light breeze, vertical

WTBI Inc. (4 x 6) Brant Point Lighthouse vertical, pink and blue sky-#2270

Yankee Magazine

Tavern and Bank, Fishtown Chapel on left

# **OFFICIAL**:

Mystic Seaport Stores (see also New London News Co.)

Village Street-#101 BOWDOIN with sails set-#103 BRILLIANT under sail-#109 CHARLES W. MORGAN vertical-#100 CHARLES W. MORGAN vertical without topgallant yards-#100 CHARLES W. MORGAN vertical, through chapel doorway-#107 Buckingham House kitchen-#110 Figureheads in Stillman Building-#106 Interior of Bringhurst Apothecary Shop-#108 Interior of George H. Stone General Store-#102 Interior of Rope Walk-#111 Fishtown Chapel-#112 JOSEPH CONRAD vertical with reflection-#104 Ships, incl. JOSEPH CONRAD over wagon, vertical-#105 L. A. DUNTON deck looking forward-P98042

Mystic Seaport Official 1978-1979 (4 x 6 scalloped edge) Breeches buoy demonstration-B8988 Whale Boat Demo-B8982

BRILLIANT under sail, vertical-B8985 CHARLES W. MORGAN dressed with flags-B9020 CHARLES W. MORGAN-X113501-Interior of Shipcarving shop-X113508 JOSEPH CONRAD vertical, under jibboom of CHARLES W. MORGAN-X113504 JOSEPH CONRAD in fog and calm, vertical-B9085 (straight edge) JOSEPH CONRAD with flock of sailing dinghies-B9089 (straight edge) Multiple; three views of BENJAMIN F. PACKARD exhibit-X113514 Multiple; historic homes-B8990 Multiple; Du Pont Shipyard-X113515 Multiple; L. A. DUNTON, Dories-B8987 Multiple; four examples of scrimshaw-X113516 Scrimshaw-X113516 Junior Museum-X113550 Prisoner of War model-X113507 Doctor's Office-X113511 Springtime at Mystic-B9084 Drug Store-B8981 Figureheads-B9013 Figureheads-X113505 Mystic Seaport Stitchery-9086 Scrimshaw Collection-9015

Mystic Seaport Stores 1982 (4 x 6 scalloped edge) CHARLES W. MORGAN at buoy, with main lower topsail set, vertical-B12562 JOSEPH CONRAD, lighthouse on left-B12560 L. A. DUNTON out in river-B12561 Mystic Fog-B9085 Sunset at Mystic with JOSEPH CONRAD

Mystic Seaport Stores 1984 (4 X 6 straight edge, black border "MYSTIC SEAPORT") Mystic River diorama with whaler CORIOLANUS at wharf-B14311 Seaport Street and stern of CHARLES W. MORGAN from JOSEPH CONRAD-B14313 SABINO with large letters MYSTIC SEAPORT-B14310 Mystic Seaport Museum Stores 1989 (4 x 6 straight edge) Brant Point Lighthouse vertical, red trees in background CHARLES W. MORGAN, spanker and topsails set JOSEPH CONRAD vertical SABINO escorting JOSEPH CONRAD II in Mystic River Man apparently making oakum in front of JOSEPH CONRAD bow, vertical Sail loft vertical, past stern of CHARLES W. MORGAN Clipper ship card for DAVID CROCKETT 24 Clipper ship card for KING PHILIP Schooner BRILLIANT-B1880 Inside the Chandlery-B1890 Model Shop Building-B1990 Small Boat Shed ESTELLA REGINA M (mislabeled EMMA C. BERRY) L.A. DUNTON SABINO SABINO SABINO-(vertical) JOSEPH CONRAD IN SUNSET JOSEPH CONRAD and boat shed Breeches Buoy Demo

Mystic Seaport Stores 1991 (4 x 6) CHARLES W. MORGAN on misty day Bow of CHARLES W. MORGAN CHARLES W. MORGAN stern on right, JOSEPH CONRAD beyond Seaport Street Fall at Mystic Seaport JOSEPH CONRAD-vertical JOSEPH CONRAD-vertical in the fog

Mystic Seaport  $4 \ge 6$  (recent) Aloha Meeting House vertical, with flowering shrub-SZS193 Sloop ANNIE alongside oyster shack Brant Point Lighthouse vertical-SZS199 Cooking Demo-SZ5188 BRILLIANT under sail-SZS192 Figureheads at Mystic Seaport-SZS183 CHARLES W. MORGAN with most sails set CHARLES W. MORGAN all sails set-vertical-SZS181 CHARLES W. MORGAN-SZS198 Cooking demonstration outdoors, vertical-SZS184 EMMA C. BERRY into sun vertical JOSEPH CONRAD vertical, dressed with flags JOSEPH CONRAD vertical, two boats in foreground-SZS180 KINGSTON II spraying from monitor (miss-labeled EUGENE F. MORAN on back) NELLIE in ice vertical, SABINO beyond-SZS195 **SABINO** Topsail schooner AMISTAD under sail ARMISTAD in frame-SZS039

Tugboat EUGENE F. MORAN (for "TUGS!" exhibit) Mallory Building-SZS200 Schaefer Tavern-SZS190 Thomas Greenman House-SZS189 Seaport and Whale Boats-SZS180 Brandt Point Lighthouse in the Fall-SZS194 Sloop NELLIE with SABINO-SZS195 Carriage passing L.A. DUNTON-SZS9