

ODPCC PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Mike Uzel

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It's a good feeling – **the Big Show is over** and it was by all measures one of the most successful in the Club's history on so many levels. First: when John Whiting proposed early



this year that we shoot for **45 exhibit boards for 45 years** of the Club Show, I must admit that I was skeptical that it would happen. My skepticism proved wrong – you came through with 46 boards!



Literally, without everyone who participated, we would not have made it. Thanks to the judges, and to



you all! And congratulations to all the prize winners in all categories!



Second: the **Thursday Meet and Greet** for Dealers and Club members was a huge success. Again, I was worried at first, but new members Jill Apperson and Stephanie Kready really came through with the



NEXT ODPCC MEETING:

Wednesday, Dec. 6 — 6:30-9:30 p.m.
Jewish Community Center,
5403 Monument Ave., Richmond, VA
(note date change!)

Attendees are encouraged to bring and show other items they collect. Also, please bring a dish to share!

planning, setup, making sandwiches, and ordering food and the cake. Many other members contributed food and help also – thanks to you all. I heard nothing but praise from all who attended.



Third: **The move to Postcards and Paper** proved to be a good one. With an attendance estimated at approximately 250, we attracted more people (both Collectors and Dealers) to the Show by

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expanding the content. I went to the York, Pa., show the following week, and many dealers and collectors



there had already heard what a great Show ours was. The ODPCC has a great reputation in the postcard world!



Finally, **Thanks to Everyone** who helped make this Show a success. From front desk duty to “porters” for the dealers, judging coordinators to set-up help, this Show would not have happened without you. Let’s keep the momentum going for the coming year!

I’m again looking forward to the **December 6 meeting**, where we celebrate the Holidays (**please bring food!**) and we show off our **“Other Collectibles”**! Bring yours to show everyone. It’s always a fun, relaxing meeting, and guests are welcome! See you then!

46 FOR 45! JOHN WHITING

I couldn’t resist using that headline! We DID it! Thanks to everyone for reaching our goal — 45 Boards for 45 Years...PLUS ONE!

What a Club! What boards! The three official judges must have had a heck of a time making decisions. I know I did. So many wonderful exhibits, covering so many topics, in seemingly endless artful presentations. THANKS ALL!

ODPCC T-SHIRTS

John Whiting

The 2023 T-Shirt Project was very successful:

- 25 members pre-ordered 36 shirts, 30 of which were paid for and picked up at the Show.
- 1 additional member purchased a shirt at the Show.
- 4 Non-members purchased shirts at the Show.
- 6 of the pre-ordered shirts have not yet been paid for or picked up.

But, it’s not over. We have additional shirts available in various sizes, both white/ash and black (especially 2XL black). These will be for sale at the December meeting for \$20 each. They make great Christmas and Hannukah gifts! Wonderful nightshirts too.

After our December meeting, shirts can be purchased at my shop, Whiting’s Old Paper, at Antique Village. (All shirt profits go to the ODPCC treasury.) Thanks for your cooperation and especially to Phil Anderson for wearing his shirt at the Show and being a “human billboard for the Cause”!

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ODPCC SHOW EXHIBITION BOARD “FIRST-TIMERS” AWARD

John Whiting

A typical ODPCC Show Exhibition Board Competition usually resulted in only one or two, or sometimes zero, boards by members (new and old) exhibiting for the first time.

2023 was a radically different story. Five members contributed a total of 16 boards! We haven't had that many First-Timers since 1978, our first show! That show provided a total of 17 boards in all. You 2023 First-Timers basically matched that total on your own! Awesome!

For many years I have selected the best (in my opinion) First-Timer board. For many years I have encouraged those that have not previously exhibited. As an incentive, the best in this category was awarded a gift certificate to Whiting's Old Paper.

This year I arrived at the happy conclusion that **Phil Anderson, Sue Bailey, Tom Lind, Stephen Rockenbach and John Selph** each deserve a \$25 Gift Certificate to Whiting's Old Paper. The fact that so many, both old and new, members answered the call was Reason #1. That you presented so many outstanding boards was Reason #2. And Reason #3, the obvious: Without you, we would not have reached our goal of 45 Boards for 45 Years.

Congratulations!

2023-24 UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 3: **Hampton Roads Postcard Club Holiday Party** at Dockside by the Bay.

Jan. 6-7: **DC Big Flea**, Dulles Expo Center, 4320 Chantilly Shopping Center, Chantilly, VA, 9 a.m.- 6 p.m. Sat, 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. Sun, \$10 for both days

MODEL CAR COLLECTION

Charlie Edmonson

In addition to automobile postcards, I also collect car models. I've found that postcards and models are significantly less expensive, and far easier to acquire and store, than full-sized cars. However, there is the one significant drawback – you can't drive them! On the other hand, they don't need repairs or restoration and they're always new.

I have about 75 models, and as a Triumph Spitfire owner, many of my models are



Spitfires and other Triumph models. In addition to American cars, I've always been a fan of European imports (we used to call them “foreign cars” when I was young), and so I have many of both European and domestic models.



Car models come in various sizes, and I prefer the smaller, more detailed ones.



Some examples are a Citroen 2CV, a Renault Dauphine, a SAAB 96, a BMW Isetta, and a Triumph TR7. After failing to locate a DIVCO Milk Truck postcard, I acquired a model instead. I even have a VW model from TowneBank, my former employer.



2023 ODPCC POSTCARD & PAPER SHOW EXHIBITION BOARD COMPETITION

This year's Show featured a whopping 46 exhibition boards entered by 19 Club members! Phil Anderson's "Mannekin-Pis" took BEST IN SHOW, while Tre Rockenbach's "Life in a Belgian Town" received the Judges' MOST INTERESTING Award. And in what may be a first, we had ties for both the Tim O'Gorman People's Choice Award (Betsy Wadington's "Here's Looking at You, Kid" and Warren Long's "Krampus")



and the Ben Duncan Award of Excellence (Betsy Wadington's "Here's Looking at You, Kid" and John Selph's "Really Rare Richmond" – or as one member called it, "Richmond Postcards You Wished You Owned, But Don't.")



The Ben Duncan Award includes a \$100 prize, which will be split equally between Betsy and John.

John Whiting issued a Ben Duncan Four-Board Challenge, accompanied by a \$100 award from the Club, to be shared by any members who entered four or more boards. There were five members who will receive \$20 each: Phil Anderson (7 boards!), John Selph (5 boards!), and Henry Fogle, Tre Rockenbach and Mike Uzel (4 boards each).

Here is a complete list of the participants in the competition, the titles of their boards, and the board category. Participants did such an amazing job that the results were very close and the judges had some very difficult decisions to make. Our thanks go out to the three judges, Meg Hughes from The Valentine, Sam Florer from the Virginia Museum of History & Culture and dealer Kathy McCormack, and to all Show attendees and members who voted for the Tim O'Gorman Peoples' Choice Award and the Ben Duncan Award of Excellence.

- Phil Anderson – Warm Wishes – Greetings – 3rd PLACE
- Phil Anderson - Mannekin-Pis – Topical – 1st PLACE, BEST IN SHOW (Judges' Choice)
- Phil Anderson – Country Stores – Topical
- Phil Anderson – Holiday Inn – Topical
- Phil Anderson – RIP Mr. President – Topical
- Phil Anderson – Ye Olde Jobs of Williamsburg – Topical
- Phil Anderson – Vintage Niagara – Views
- Sue Bailey – Cape Cod Compass – Miscellaneous
- Sue Bailey – Wellfleet's Grand Hotel – Views
- Gail Candido – Polka Dot Bikini – Topical
- Paul Candido – Eighth Wonder of the World – Double Board – 3rd PLACE
- John Dorman – The Convict Ship, Success – Topical
- Henry Fogle – Anyone For Tennis? – Double Board
- Henry Fogle – H.L. Hunley – Double Board
- Henry Fogle – Greetings – Greetings
- Henry Fogle – Religious Diversity – Topical
- Bill Gregory – Main Street, Virginia – Views – 3rd PLACE
- Bill Gregory – Main Street, North Carolina – Views
- Bill Gregory – Suffolk, Virginia – Views
- Tom Lind – Lost Good Harbor Beach – Views
- Warren Long – Flatiron Building (Sylvia's Favorite) – Views
- Warren Long – Krampus – Greetings – TIM O'GORMAN PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD (tie)
- Kat Mincz – Keep Calm & Smile – Topical
- Kat & Janet Mincz – Kiddie Cars – Topical
- Tom Ray – Camp Lee/Fort Lee – Double Board – 2nd PLACE
- Tom Ray – Glitter Cards – Topical
- Nancy Riddlemoser – Odds & Ends – Miscellaneous
- Stephen Rockenbach – Camp Lee – Views – 2nd PLACE
- Tre Rockenbach – A Clapsaddle Christmas – Greetings – 1st PLACE
- Tre Rockenbach – Life in a Belgian Town – Topical – 2nd PLACE, MOST INTERESTING (Judges' Choice)
- Tre Rockenbach – Hats Off to Hatlo – Topical – 3rd PLACE
- Tre Rockenbach – Private Breger – Topical
- John Selph – Views of Cuba – Double Board – 1st PLACE
- John Selph – To Err is Human – Miscellaneous – 1st PLACE
- John Selph – Where's George? – Topical
- John Selph – Really Rare Richmond – Views – BEN DUNCAN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE (tie)
- John Selph – Recuerdos de Buenos Aires – Views
- Mike Uzel – Greetings & Good Luck – Greetings
- Mike Uzel – Sunbonnet Babies – Miscellaneous
- Mike Uzel – Loose Change – Topical
- Mike Uzel – Virginia Butterflies & Pansies – Views – 1st PLACE
- Betsy Wadington – Candy Cane Lane – Greetings – 2nd PLACE
- Betsy Wadington – Hog Wild – Miscellaneous – 2nd PLACE
- Betsy Wadington – Here's Looking at You, Kid – Miscellaneous – 3rd PLACE, TIM O'GORMAN PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD (tie), BEN DUNCAN AWARD OF EXCELLENCE (tie)
- John Whiting – Mim Scalin & Friends - Miscellaneous



THE 2023 ODPCC POSTCARD SHOW EXHIBITION BOARD COMPETITION ENTRIES

Double Board:



Greetings:



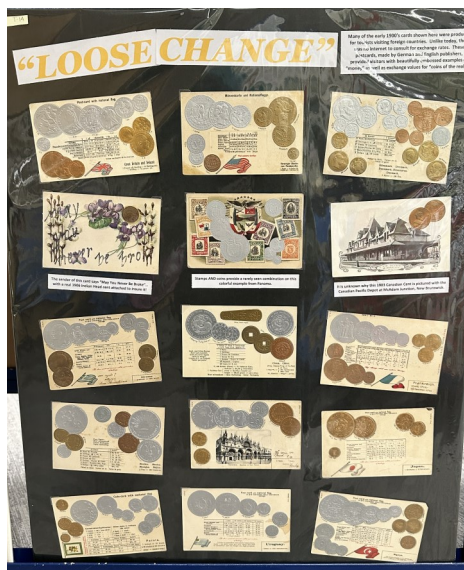
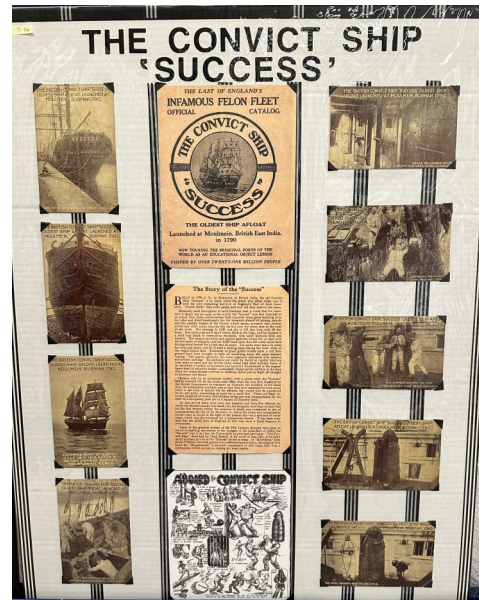
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Miscellaneous:



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Topical:



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Views:

