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## **TEXPEX 2005 TO RECOGNIZE** **SPORTS PHILATELISTS AT APRIL SHOW**

DALLAS – The annual American Philatelic Society World Series show in Texas, TEXPEX, takes on a sports theme this year with the biennial meeting of Sports Philatelists International. TEXPEX 2005 is set for April 8-10, 2005 at the Renaissance Dallas North Hotel, LBJ Freeway and Midway Road.

The theme artwork for the show is being done by nationally known artist Bart Forbes who has designed more than 20 U.S. postage stamps/cards including Lou Gehrig (1989), Winter Olympics Skiing (1988), Summer Olympics Gymnastics (1988) and a set of five Olympic stamps (1990). “Bart’s involvement is one of the more incredible moments we’ve had at TEXPEX since it began as a World Series show in 1988,” said show chairman Tom Koch.

The U.S. Postal Service will provide three days of special pictorial cancellations, each with a different sports figure – baseball batter on Friday, April 8, track sprinter on Saturday, April 9, and a football running back on Sunday, April 10.

The USPS is arranging to have the original artwork of some past sports stamps sent to Dallas from Washington D.C. for a special seminar at 11 a.m., Saturday, April 9 that will include Forbes and former Olympic athletes. A seminar on Friday, April 8 is titled, “The World’s First Baseball Stamp.”

The show’s website is < <http://home.comcast.net/~kochacabana/TEXPEX/index.html>>.

The Texas Philatelic Association (TPA) will hold its 109<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting at TEXPEX. The TPA is a major sponsor of TEXPEX and provides special show medals for exhibitors.

Admission and parking are free to everyone. Included is a Youth Fun Center open to all youngsters and operated by the Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society a bourse of 36 national and regional dealers.

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TEXPEX is organized and presented by the Southwest Philatelic Foundation with support from the Collectors Club of Dallas, the Wineburgh Philatelic Research Library at the University of Texas at Dallas, the Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society, the Mid-Cities Stamp Club and the American First Day Cover Society Chapter 56.

Other groups meeting at TEXPEX 05 include the Texas Postal History Society, the Universal Ship Cancellation Society Nimitz Chapter, the American Air Mail Society C.R. Smith Chapter, the Texas Precancel Club and the American Topical Association. An APS national officer operates a booth at the show to provide up-to-date APS materials and information.

### **EXHIBIT GRAND WINNER QUALIFIES FOR NATIONAL APS SHOW**

As an APS “World Series of Philately” show, TEXPEX offers exhibitors an opportunity to compete in a 190-frame exhibition (3000 pages) that is judged by APS certified officials from across the United States. The Grand winner qualifies for the APS Champion of Champions Philatelic exhibition during StampShow at Grand Rapids, Mich., August 4-7, 2005. Entry forms are available from Dick Phelps, PO Box 867373, Plano TX 75086-7373 or email [dick.phelps@verizon.net](mailto:dick.phelps@verizon.net). Forms are also available on the TEXPEX website. The entry deadline is March 15, 2005 and subject to availability.

### **WATERFORD CRYSTAL TOPS AN ARRAY OF AWARDS**

Traditional large Waterford Crystal vases will be awarded to the grand and reserve grand exhibit winners. The TPA usually presents its Distinguished Philatelic Texan Award and Forcheimer Philatelic Literature Award at the Saturday night banquet. It also honors the best exhibit by a TPA member. Another relatively new award is the Young Adult Award that goes to the best exhibit by an 18-30 year old. Another major moment at the banquet is the presentation of the Waterford Crystal TEXPEX Service to Philately Award that goes to a person whose unselfish devotion has benefited the hobby. The silver J.C.M. Cryer Memorial Cup is presented to the most outstanding 19<sup>th</sup> Century U.S. or Confederate exhibit. The Spalding Trophy goes to the TPA chapter or unit that recruits the most new members during the previous year. The Texas Stamp Dealers Assn. presents the Most Popular Exhibit Award, selected by a public vote of show attendees, on Sunday afternoon.

The hotel’s show rate is \$89 single/double. Reservations must be made by March 15, 2005. Call 1-800-468-3571 for national reservations. The local number is 972-385-9000.

For show details call 972-883-4951.

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USPS CANCELLATIONS TO BE USED AT TEXPEX 2005



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**TEXPEX 2005**

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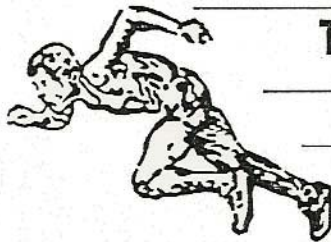
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APRIL 8, 2005

DALLAS TEXAS 75244

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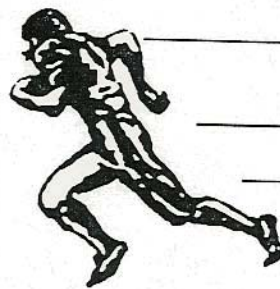
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**EXHIBITION STATION**

APRIL 9, 2005

DALLAS TEXAS 75244

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**TEXPEX 2005**

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**EXHIBITION STATION**

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