

## **“Thanks for the Memory” Writing Contest**

The Milwaukee Philatelic Society is sponsoring a contest to compliment their show theme: “Thanks for the Memory” as part of their campaign to put the fun back into philately. The United States Postal Service issued a new commemorative on May 29, 2009, for Bob Hope. His theme song became “Thanks for the Memory” – a tune which he would often use and change the words in order to fit the location or occasion during his travels to entertain the troops.

A take-off of this theme is being offered in contest form with two options available for first, second, and third place cash prizes (\$25, \$15, and \$10). One option is to rewrite the lyrics to the song so that the words have a philatelic thrust. The second option is to write an essay regarding any philatelic memory (favorite, most interesting, unusual experience, etc.). There is no word limit. The winning lyric entry will be sung at the award’s banquet and winning essays read.

The deadline for submission of contest entries is August 31, 2009. Mail entries to MaryAnn Bowman, P.O. Box 1451, Waukesha, WI, 531987. Entries should include name and address of participant.

Milcopex is a World Series of Philately show being held September 25 – 27 in the Alumnae Dining Room in Bergstrom Hall at Mount Mary College, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.