



Dick Salz Award

In early 2014 the CZSG Board of Directors approved an award named for Dick Salz that will be made on an annual basis at the Canal Zone Study Group meeting at **WESTPEX** or show at which the CZSG is a participating society. The Dick Salz award shall be awarded to the person who has written the best article or published research during the past calendar year covering the collecting and study of philately and postal history of the Canal Zone and the Isthmus of Panama, including relevant aspects of interoceanic transport and communications.

The award process begins with the CZSG President appointing a CZSG member to chair the Publication Committee of three people (who have in the past written articles or books or are knowledgeable specialists). The committee selects three publications from the previous year, reviews them, and assigns a point score (3=best, 2=2nd best, 1=3rd best). Members of the Committee can also suggest publications for consideration.

The committee chair tallies the scores (but does not vote) and submits the result to the CZP editor.

2014 - The inaugural award was presented at WESTPEX 2014 to **Dickson Preston** for his article "Canal Zone Covers Held in Bermuda during World War II".

2015 - **David Zemer** for his two papers entitled "*The 1920 Panama and Canal Zone One Balboa (\$1) Stamp*" and "*Design of the 1920 Panama and Canal Zone Cincuenta Centésimos (50c) Stamp.*"

In addition, at the recommendation of the panel, a second Salz award was given at the same meeting to **Irwin Gibbs** to recognize his contributions to Canal Zone philately as Editor

of *Canal Zone Postal Stationery* published by the United Postal Stationery Society and distributed by the CZSG to its Members.

2016 – Tom Brougham “Marginal Markings on the Sixth and Seventh Series”, and **George Campbell** for "*Canal Zone Covers Flown on the 1930 Graf Zeppelin Europe - Pan American Flight.*"

2017 - Paul Ammons in recognition of his continuing series of articles on *WWII Censorship in the Canal Zone* that appeared in the *CZP* in 2016.

2018 – Dick Bates: Articles on new CZ stamp varieties and fakes.

2019 - Gary Weiss and Chris DeVoe: “*Letter from Major General Gorgas to Governor Blackburn*”.

A Special Award recognizing a major publication was made to **Tom Brougham** and **Brad Wilde** for their CZSG publication *Canal Zone Airmail Rates*.