

Visitors Philatelic Center

Another major visit was from two of our Young Philatelic Leader Fellows: Jessica Rodriguex and Ian Hunter. Jessica, from San Jose, California, was accompanied by her grandmother (and APS member) Patricia Salsman. Ian's dad, John, accompanied him from Illinois. This was the second philatelic trip of the month for the fellows as they were at our winter show in Reno in early March. Unfortunately, midterms prevented this year's third fellow, Sommer DeRudder, from attending. (Sommer did get to participate in the Barn Swallow first-day ceremony at Reno.)

Ian and Jessica toured the American Philatelic Center, checked out the reference collection, and used the library before their next stop at the Smithsonian National Postal Museum in Washington, D.C. There, they also got a tour that included the stamp vault, conservation office, and an opportunity to use a Video Spectral Comparator to check the colors of some stamps.

