

\$4.95

Journal of the American Philatelic Society

AMERICAN PHILATELIST

October 2013



BASEBALL

Want the Best Price for Your Stamps? Call America's Leading Stamp Dealer

Mystic 1-800-835-3609

Call Now and Enjoy:
Experience
Professionalism
Top Market Value
Immediate Payment
Respect You Deserve

We're Looking For All Kinds of Stamps!

- Worldwide new-issue stamps
- Entire stamp dealer stocks, store inventory, show dealer and mail order dealer stocks
- U.S. collections of all qualities
- British and European colonies stamp accumulations
- China stamps (all Asian stamps)
- Rare/High-quality U.S. and foreign stamps and coins
- Accumulations and mixed collections (They don't need to be organized.)
- Mounted foreign collections

Here's Why Mystic is America's Leading Stamp Dealer

- Serving stamp collectors since 1923 – that's 90 years of experience
- Staff of 150 stamp professionals
- Most active U.S. stamp buyer – we've spent over \$72 million in the past five years
- Mystic's Expert Stamp Buyers know historic market values and current trends in today's changing stamp market.
- We have the resources to purchase your entire holdings – whether it's a private collection or an extensive dealer inventory.
- No waiting for your money – we make payment on the spot.
- We're devoted to preserving our national stamp treasures and guaranteeing the future of our hobby. President Don Sundman has sponsored over 5,000 American Philatelic Society members (a record).
- Mystic sponsors the National Postal Museum's Sundman Lecture and supports the museum through donations of cash and rare stamps.
- Thousands of children have been introduced to the joys of stamp collecting because of kits and collecting materials Mystic donates each year.

Mystic

We Pay More For Your Stamps

BA1450



1-800-835-3609

StampBuyer@MysticStamp.com

Now In Stock! Stanley Gibbons Catalogues

STANLEY GIBBONS

**Stanley Gibbons
COMMONWEALTH
STAMP CATALOGUE
AUSTRALIA**



Thousands of price changes
New varieties listed and priced
Up-to-date listing of recent issues

8th Edition

**Australia Stamp
Catalogue 2013**

STANLEY GIBBONS

**Stanley Gibbons
COMMONWEALTH
STAMP CATALOGUE
NORTHERN CARIBBEAN,
BAHAMAS & BERMUDA**



Thousands of price changes
New varieties listed and priced
Up-to-date listing of recent issues

3rd Edition

STANLEY GIBBONS

**Stanley Gibbons
COMMONWEALTH
STAMP CATALOGUE
INDIA**
including Convention and Feudatory States



Now with 'used abroad' listings
Thousands of price changes
Full listing of Indian Telegraph Stamps

4th Edition

**India and States
Stamp Catalogue 2013**

STANLEY GIBBONS

**Stanley Gibbons
COMMONWEALTH
STAMP CATALOGUE
WINDWARD ISLANDS
& BARBADOS**



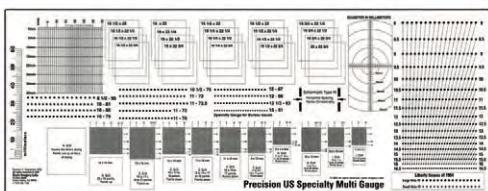
Prices carefully revised throughout
New varieties and errors listed (and priced)
Handy new size and format

2nd Edition

**Windward Islands
& Barbados Stamp
Catalogue 2012**

**Northern Caribbean,
Bahamas & Bermuda
Stamp Catalogue 2013**

**We stock a range of stamp
products & accessories**



**Perforation Gauges
Starting at \$1.99**



**Mounts & Hinges
Starting at \$3.75**



**Tongs
Starting at \$2.95**

STAMPS • COINS • SPACE • AUTOGRAPHS

REGENCY SUPERIOR

Saint Louis, Missouri
229 N. Euclid Avenue
Saint Louis, MO 63108

Los Angeles, California
17514 Ventura Blvd, Ste 101
Encino, CA 91316

**FREE
SHIPPING
within USA**

Call Today! toll free: (800) 782-0066 • RegencySuperior.com



- 930 Generations: Baseball on U.S. Postage Stamps**
by Robert A. Moss With roots in the U.S. going back to the eighteenth century, baseball has become the iconic American game, with a postal history to match.
- 944 'A Recorded Message from Your Man in Service'**
by Steve Swain A Pepsi-Cola promotion during World War II sent records containing soldiers' messages through the mail.
- 946 The Mystery of Mejujaim**
by Adam D. Caplan Chaos has been caused by an Israeli stamp variety created for a children's competition not collectors.
- 950 Postal Strikes — Creating a Philatelic Exhibit**
by Douglas Sandler Modern postal strikes have generated their own body of philatelic markings, although most are hard to find.
- Featured Columns**
- 918 Collecting Coast to Coast — Wayne L. Youngblood**
Wayne's Chamber of Philatelic Horrors, Part II Examples of philatelic destruction from Wayne's "Hall of Shame."
- 922 Visiting the British Empire — Noel Davenhill**
British Solomon Islands A look at the Solomons' postal history, from the Large Canoe stamps created by commissioner Charles Woodford in 1907 to today's issues.
- 984 Worldwide in a Nutshell — Bob Lamb**
Oriental Republic of Uruguay Although one of the smallest countries in South America, Uruguay has had a regular mail service since 1765.

AMERICAN PHILATELIST

Since 1887 — The Premier Philatelic Magazine in the Nation

BARBARA BOAL • Editor

[babaoal@stamps.org](mailto:baboal@stamps.org)

lettertotheeditor@stamps.org

aparticle@stamps.org

BONNY FARMER • Associate Editor

bfarmer@stamps.org

DORIS WILSON

Public Relations

Associate Graphics Designer

doris@stamps.org

HELEN BRUNO • Advertising Manager

hlbruno@stamps.org

adsales@stamps.org

The American Philatelist (ISSN 0003-0473) is published monthly by the American Philatelic Society, Inc., 100 Match Factory Place, Bellefonte, PA 16823.

Periodicals postage paid at Bellefonte, PA 16823 and at additional mailing office. Price per copy \$4.95. Canadian Distribution Agreement Number 40030959.

Opinions expressed in articles in this magazine are those of the writers and are not necessarily endorsed by the Society and/or the magazine. *The American Philatelist* cannot be responsible for the accuracy of any information printed herein.

Postmaster: Send address changes to:

The American Philatelist

100 Match Factory Place, Bellefonte, PA 16823.

©2013, The American Philatelic Society, Inc.

2014 APS Events

APS AMERISTAMP EXPO

February 14–16 • Little Rock, Arkansas

StampCruise

May 17–24 • Destination — Alaska

Summer Seminar on Philately

June 15–20

American Philatelic Center • Bellefonte, PA

Volunteer Work Week

July 21–25

American Philatelic Center • Bellefonte, PA

APS STAMPSHOW

August 21–24 • Hartford, Connecticut

AEROPHILATELY 2014 & Postal History Symposium

September 12–14



*Learn More, Do More,
Enjoy More with
America's Stamp Club*

APS News

Advertisers Online	972
Classifieds	979
Index of Advertisers	970
Letters to the Editor	896
Membership Report	976
President's Column	892
The Pulse	955
Sales Talk	958
Show Time	966
U.S. New Issues	982
YPLF News	960

The AP Is Available Online

www.stamps.org/American-Philatelist

American Philatelic Society • American Philatelic Research Library

100 Match Factory Place • Bellefonte, PA 16823 • Phone: 814-933-3803 • Fax: 814-933-6128

Executive Director

Ken Martin, ext. 218
kpmartin@stamps.org

Director of Internal Operations

Rick Banks, ext. 216
rbanks@stamps.org

Director of Information Services/ Librarian

Tara Murray, ext. 246
tmurray@stamps.org

Manager of Membership Administration

Judy Johnson, ext. 210
judy@stamps.org

Address Changes:

requests@stamps.org

Director of Education

Gretchen Moody, ext. 239
gretchen@stamps.org

Young Stamp Collectors of
America —

Janet Houser, ext. 238
jehouser@stamps.org

Director of Expertizing

Mercer Bristow, ext. 205
mercer@stamps.org

Director of the Sales Division

Thomas W. Horn, ext. 227
twhorn@stamps.org

Director of Internet Sales

Renee Gardner, ext. 270
StampStore@stamps.org

Director of Shows and Exhibitions

Dana Guyer, ext. 207
dana@stamps.org
Barb Johnson, ext. 217
barbj@stamps.org
Show Time Listings
showtime@stamps.org

Webmaster

Wendy Masorti, ext. 202
wendy@stamps.org

Stay Connected to APS

www.facebook.com/americanphilatelic.society

www.linkedin.com/company/americaphilatelic-society

http://blog.stamplibrary.org

Twitter.com/APS_Stamps

Twitter.com/Stamplibrary

YouTube Videos — www.stamps.org/

Stamp-YouTube-Videos

The American Philatelist

Barbara Boal, ext. 221
baboal@stamps.org
Bonny Farmer, ext. 222
bfarmer@stamps.org
Articles
aparticle@stamps.org
Letters to the Editor
lettertotheeditor@stamps.org
Advertising Information:
Helen Bruno, ext. 224
adsales@stamps.org
Editorial Production Manager,
Doris Wilson, ext. 223
doris@stamps.org

Visit the APS & APRL Online

24 Hours a Day • 7 Days a Week

www.stamps.org • www.stamplibrary.org



STAMP SHOW 2013



As this is being written I have been home exactly one week from the close of this year's APS STAMP SHOW, our annual general meeting and major national exhibition. For me, it was four days of philatelic immersion, including my induction as your president. It was a wonderful show in a great location. The exhibition hall was large, clean and well-lit. Attendance was excellent. Who said that philately is dead? Congratulations go to Jamie Gough for being crowned the Champions of Champions for his extraordinary exhibit entitled "The UPU and Its Impact on Global Postal Service, 1875–1920." Thank you to all of our exhibitors, our 100+ dealers, our many seminar presenters and, especially, to our staff for their parts in making this an outstanding weekend.

On Saturday, August 10, immediately following our annual general meeting, we held a "town hall meeting," where members had the opportunity to ask questions and make statements relative to the recent failure of proposed by-law changes and the need for additional executive-level help. It was an excellent exchange of ideas. I want to thank all of those who spoke for their participation in the meeting.

I led off the meeting with a position statement, outlining where we want to head and the reasons behind needing to aim in that direction. A summary of my statement follows.

The job of Executive Director has grown significantly over the past few years. Not only is the ED responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Society but he is now a real-estate developer, construction supervisor, rental agent and financier as we complete more commercial rental space at the American Philatelic Center. Additionally, he must deal with a seriously decreasing membership, services to our members that many feel need updating, and finances that are sending out negative signals as we look into the future.

You have heard that our current financial position is good. When Wade Saadi and his Board of Directors took office five years ago we were on the verge of financial collapse. We had no undesignated cash assets. There was cash in the bank for only the next few months. Things were bleak. Wade and the Board took a pro-active approach, made some difficult decisions, and over the five years brought the society to its current position of actually having undesignated cash on hand, some of which is used to pay down our mortgage debt. So, our current financial position is a lot brighter than it was five years ago.

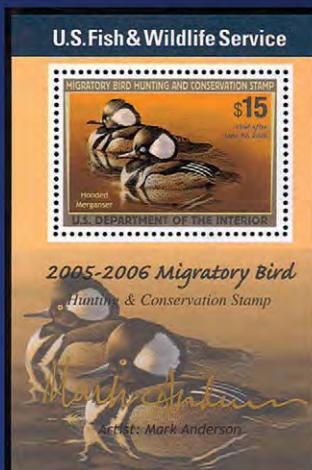


Dealer Bourse at StampShow 2013 in Milwaukee.

H.R. Harmer's Upcoming November 14-16, 2013 Auction

Highlights

Have your collection added to this outstanding group featuring stamps, postal cards and postal history including more from the Jon Krupnick Collection, U.S. Postal Cards and Stationery Collection featuring U.S. Possessions and the Dr. Kent Weaver Specialized Liberia Collection.



Inverted Watermark

Unique Double Overprint – PFC

At H.R. Harmer our first priority is to obtain the highest prices realized while providing unparalleled customer care to each and every client.

When you select H.R. Harmer to auction your stamps, you'll join the thousands of satisfied clients who have trusted us over the last seven decades of service.



H.R. HARMER
GLOBAL PHILATELIC NETWORK, LLC.
Fine Stamp Auctions, Since 1940

2680 Walnut Avenue, Suite AB, Tustin CA 92780 • 800.782.6771 • 714.389.9178 • Fax: 714.389.9189
Email: info@hrharmer.com • www.hrharmer.com

HRH AP 8.06.13

APS Official Family

— 2013-2016 —

President

Stephen Reinhard
P.O. Box 110
Mineola, NY 11501
sreinhard1@optonline.net

Board of Vice Presidents

Alexander Haimann
Bretalex1@aol.com
Yamil Kouri
yhkouri@massmed.org
Mick Zais
mzaiss@newberry.edu
100 Match Factory Place
Bellefonte, PA 16823

Secretary

Ken Grant
E11960 Kessler Road
Baraboo, WI 53913
kenneth.grant@uwc.edu

Treasurer

Kenneth R. Nilsestuen
100 Match Factory Place
Bellefonte, PA 16823
330-869-0002
nilsestuen@sbcglobal.net

Directors-at-Large

Nicholas A. Lombardi
P.O. Box 1005
Mountainside, NJ 07092
8605@comcast.net

Kristin Patterson
851 Ironwood Dr.
San Jose, CA 95125
408-267-6643
kristin_email@yahoo.com

W. Danforth Walker
P.O. Box 99
Lisbon, MD 21765
danforthwalker@comcast.net

Steven Zwillinger
804 Lamberton Dr.
Silver Spring, MD 20902
stevez@stamps.org

Immediate Past President

Wade E. Saadi
93 80th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11209
wade@pencom.com

APS Insurance Plan

Hugh Wood Inc.
P.O. Box 414, Bowling Green Station
New York, NY 10274-0414
Toll Free: 888-APS-6494
Phone: 212-509-3777
Fax: 212-509-4906
insurance@stamps.org

Stamp Theft Committee

Nicholas A. Lombardi
P.O. Box 1005
Mountainside, NJ 07092
stamptheft@stamps.org

It is time to look to the future. We have a society that once had 57,000+ members. We now have slightly over 31,000 members. We are losing 1,000+ net members per year. We have mortgages totaling more than 6 million dollars. The library needs another 1.5 to 2 million dollars to complete its facilities. Our gift income is stagnant at around \$500,000 per year. The demographics of the hobby are not good. We need to take a serious look at member benefits, making sure that we are offering those benefits that our members feel important.

If APS is going to be here for our children and grandchildren, we need additional executive level help to work with our current Executive Director, Ken Martin. Ken cannot do it all. He presently is a "hands on" ED, working 24/7 for us. He is a human being. We can't expect more.

So, where do we go from here? First let me tell you that the recent proposals relative to hiring a CEO and making by-laws changes that would have given us the flexibility to do what we feel is necessary to insure the long-term survival of the society are dead. The new board will start all over and eventually share new proposals with the membership relative to our needs. This will be an open process. There will be time for everyone to play a role. I will, within the next few weeks, appoint a committee whose task will be to identify the major issues that are in front of the society going forward, and suggest ways to deal with these issues. This may involve hiring additional executive-level help. However, alternative approaches will be welcomed by the board of directors. This committee will include some members from the outgoing board, some new members of the board, and other society members, some of whom were publicly opposed to the by-law changes. The committee will be in constant contact with the board and will be expected to make an initial report at AmeriStamp Expo in February.

Additionally, a dedicated e-mail address has been set up so that members may send their thoughts to the committee. This address is securethe-future@stamps.org. It will also be found on the APS website. Through this column I will keep you informed of the progress being made by this committee.

Together, I hope that we can calmly address the issues at hand, and do what is needed to make sure that we have a healthy APS 10, 15, 20 years into the future.

"Stamps Teach"

Elsewhere in this issue you will find a two-page spread relative to a wonderful new program called "Stamps Teach." Some of you also will be receiving an e-mail "blast" about this amazing program, which was developed at the National Postal Museum and is now administered by APS. Our goal is to make stamps an integral part of the educational programs in as many of the elementary schools in this country as possible. So far we have introduced this program in a number of schools around the country, and it has been received with great interest by students and teachers. However, there is a significant cost here. We need your help. Without it we will be unable to continue the spread of this program into other schools.

We have recently been approved for a \$25,000 matching grant for Stamps Teach from the Turning Point Foundation. We must come up with the \$25,000 very quickly. If we do our job as society members and make the match we may be able to apply for future grants from this foundation. So please help and use the information in the two-page spread to give to your ability.

Thank you for all you do to keep our hobby alive and well.

October Is National Stamp Collecting Month

America's Stamp Club Celebrates Our Members Every Day

We Are at Your Service!

★ October may be National Stamp Collecting Month, but America's Stamp Club, the APS, celebrate the hobby and its members EVERY DAY. We pride ourselves in our variety of services available to each member.

Here are some of our recent member offerings:

Read About It —

- *The American Philatelist* and *Philatelic Literature Review* are now online, including archived issues.
- Monthly APS e-Newsletter offers up-to-date news and e-Blasts promote local shows.
- Expansion of our Social Media presence with the APRL blog and APS/APRL LinkedIn, Twitter, and Facebook groups.



Learn More —

- Quick ID for those puzzling stamps in your collection.
- Instructional "how to" videos for the collector, plus the APS YouTube Channel.
- Take a live class with our popular On-the-Road courses.
- New beginner programs for all ages such as the Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship, Stamps Teach, and StampBuddy, in addition to our online classes.



Collect More —

- Free downloadable stamp album pages, cachets, and screen savers.
- Clearance Sales Circuits offer great buys.
- Revamped website features an enhanced StampStore, a members-only section, gift cards, member specials, user friendly dealer and club searches, portions of the APS Reference Collection, and much more.



Research More —

- The Library now offers scans of philatelic material in addition to photocopies, plus online exhibits and other digital content.
- Research became easier with the Library's Union Catalog, which includes the holdings of ten other philatelic libraries.



Sharing the Experience —

- Recordings of meetings at APS STAMPSHOW and AMERISTAMP EXPO.
- Hosting stamp shows and symposia at the American Philatelic Center, including the Postal History Symposium, Aerophilately, the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society, and the United States Stamp Society.

***Learn More, Do More, Enjoy More
with America's Stamps Club***
www.stamps.org • 814-933-3803



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Working in Circuit Sales

Reading Tom Horn's Sales Talk column in the August AP ("Celebrating 11 Years!", page 774) brought back memories of the process before computers, and the work it took to keep track of the information necessary to send and retire and process new sales books. All kinds of files were needed to maintain the information to get the sales books to both sellers and buyers. I remember looking up the paper cards to change categories or to drop people from membership. Today, I am sure all of this can be done in a third of the time previously needed.

We had a good group of people in the twenty-two years I worked there, and it took all of them to handle the huge amount of paper work. To those who are still there and have been for ten years or more, I honor your dedication.

Jack Standen
Elyria, Ohio

Best STAMPSHOW

A big THANK YOU to everyone involved with the APS convention in Milwaukee this summer. It was one of the best I've attended since I joined in 1971.

The Wisconsin Center was an ideal facility. Their lighting was brilliant, and the aisles were nice and wide.

Dealers were busy and the exhibits excellent.

The U.S. Postal Service helps sponsor STAMPSHOW. They had helpful and pleasant clerks from both Milwaukee and the Kansas City Caves working at their booth.

I had a chance to wish both APS Presidents Reinhard and Saadi good luck in all their efforts.

I highly recommend visiting a large stamp show like this to anyone who has the opportunity to attend one.

Steven J. Bahnsen
Chicago, Illinois

New STAMPSHOW App Works Great

The app, or new cell phone application, the APS made available for STAMPSHOW 2013 really worked out great for me. In one place, on my phone, I had the whole show schedule with alarms to remind me to get my nose out of a box of covers and head out to programs.

I also appreciated the organized listing of dealers and booth locations, as well as the listing of exhibits. Instead of just having the show program, I had all I needed right on my phone.

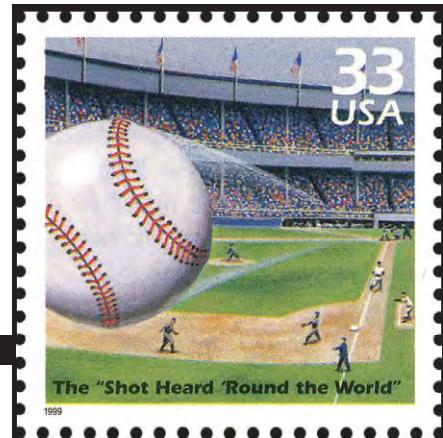
For me, I was better able to take advantage of all the show had to offer, and it made me appreciate just how much is going on at STAMPSHOW!

All the best to the APS staff for making an app for STAMPSHOW! What a great idea and useful tool.

Kathy Johnson
Skokie, Illinois

Midway Memories

After reading the article about Midway in the June issue (Lawrence Sherman and Maj. Ted Bahry, "Not So Fast! Japanese Navy Mail Forwarded to Midway, 1942," page 552), I wanted to write



about my husband, John F. Miniclier, Col. USMC, Ret. He was the honored guest last year on Midway Island at the 70th Anniversary of the Battle of Midway. He was a 21-year-old PFC stationed with the 6th Defense Battalion. He was in the tower with John Ford, the director, who was there during the battle. Also in the tower was the Honorable Don Drake, now a retired Federal Judge in Virginia.

On December 6, 1942, John had written his usual letter to his mother, telling her of the display put on by the Japanese Envoys, who had stopped there in their Pan-Am flight. They were on their way to Washington, DC.

Sadly, that letter was in our stamp collections and was stolen along with the rest of our collections.

Margaret C. Miniclier
Mount Dora, Florida

Marine Question

In the "Midway Mail" letter to the editor from Eric Armstrong in the September AP (page 804) the author writes: "The letters (15 in all) were from a young man who was drafted into the Marines...." Although I served in the Army during World War II, to the best of my knowledge, Marines were never drafted. Only men who voluntarily enlisted served in the Marines.

Art Schmitz
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Response from Maj. Ted Bahry: The short answer is, yes, many Marines were

Travel the world with these stamp packets



WORLDWIDE		1,000	66.50	500	36.75	100	18.40	MONGOLIA	only	21.00	1,000	56.00	
500	5.25	200	Pictorials	1,000	105.00	200	40.25	200	8.35	1,000	43.75	50 Airmails	
1,000	10.95	only	10.50	100	Pictorials	300	68.25	300	13.15	SAN MARINO	only	5.70	
2,000	24.07	BERMUDA		only	9.65	400	122.50	NETHERLANDS	100	9.65	VATICAN		
3,000	35.88	50	14.90	300	36.75	IRELAND		300	12.20	200	23.65	100	
5,000	98.00	100	36.75	GERMANY		100	9.65	500	29.75	500	96.25	200	
10,000	262.50	200	108.50	Incl. Terr. Offices,		200	28.90	600	43.75	SWEDEN	300	64.75	
1,000 Pictorials		300	257.25	Occ.		300	70.00	1,000	183.75	300	9.20	500	
only	27.15	CANADA		300	7.45	400	108.50	100 Semi Postal	500	20.15	VENEZUELA		
3,000	87.50	400	12.25	500	16.65	500	152.25	only	9.70	1,000	91.00	200	
5,000	210.00	600	28.90	1,000	43.75	100 Commems.		150	36.75	1,200	148.75	500	
ARGENTINA		700	40.25	2,000	108.50	only	16.65	NETH. & COLS.	1,500	201.25	VICTORIA		
500	15.75	1,000	73.50	3,000	262.50	200	38.50	1,500	577.50	SWITZERLAND	25	36.75	
800	42.00	500 Commems.		200 East		300	86.65	NETH. ANTILLES	200	8.75	50	99.75	
1,000	64.75	only	52.50	only	7.90	400	127.75	50	10.50	300	18.85	100	
ASCENSION		CAPE VERDE		500	20.15	ITALY		NEVIS	500	42.00	VIETNAM N&S		
25	17.10	50	8.75	2000	288.75	300	13.15	50	6.60	800	138.25	300	
50	39.40	CHINA		200 West		500	31.50	150	31.50	1,000	190.75	800	
100	138.25	Peo. Rep.		only	7.45	1,000	87.50	NEW ZEALAND	100 Semi- Post- als	1,000	171.50	100 So.Vietnam	
AUSTRALIA		500	113.75	500	38.50	1,500	189.00	300	12.70	..only	13.15	only	
500	13.95	1,000	420.00	200 West Pict.		200 Pictorials		500	28.00	200	16.65	100	
600	20.50	Peo. Rep. Pict.		only	14.90	only	18.40	700	59.50	200	42.00	200	
800	39.40	300	57.75	500	52.50	300	34.60	1000	192.50	Pictorials		VIRGIN IS.	
1,000	61.25	500	129.50	700	99.75	500	66.50	700 Pictorials	200	16.65	100	75.25	
1,200	141.75	DENMARK		50 West Semi-	JAPAN	only	119.00	TUNISIA	150	150	100	105.00	
300 Pictorials		300	8.75	Postals	10.10	200	10.50	75 Semi-Postal	100	11.40	WALLIS-FUT		
only	12.70	500	24.10	25 German Col		500	40.25	only	6.60	200	27.15	25	
700	56.00	800	70.00	only	70.00	1,000	140.00	150	73.50	300	45.00	50	
800	113.75	1,000	143.50	GREAT BRITAIN		300 Pictorials		NORWAY	500	147.00	100	71.75	
AUSTR. ANTAR.		300 Pictorials		Incl Channel Is		only	23.65	200	8.35	TURKEY	WEST AUTRA-	LIA	
50	18.85	only	19.25	& IOM		500	52.50	400	24.50	500	19.20		
75	52.41	400	33.25	300	8.70	700	85.75	600	73.50	1,000	49.80	15	
100	75.25	500	75.25	500	19.25	LIECHTENSTEIN		700	112.00	2,000	126.00	25	
AUSTR. STATES		FALKLAND &		600	26.25	100	31.50	1,000	355.25	TURKS-CAICOS	WURTTEMBERG		
50	37.65	DEP.		1,000	71.25	200	75.25	Pictorials	100	34.15	100	92.75	
75	54.25	25	10.10	2,000	420.00	300	157.50	200	12.70	200	134.75	YEMEN	
100	86.65	100	68.25	200 Pictorials		LITHUANIA		500	87.50	300	306.25	100	
AUSTRIA		25 Falkland		only	8.75	25	4.40	PARAGUAY	TUVALU	ZAMBIA			
200	6.95	only	14.45	300	17.10	100	43.75	200	15.35	50	9.65	100	
500	21.90	50	38.50	500	43.25	200	91.00	800	113.75	100	21.00	200	
1,000	77.00	100	96.25	1000	245.00	LUXEMBOURG		PENRHYN	200	42.00	ZANZIBAR		
100 Commems.		FAROE IS.		HONG KONG		100	8.70	100	144.40	UNITED NATIONS	50	33.25	
only	11.40	25	13.95	100	14.90	200	22.75	150	232.75	300	63.00	100	
200	24.50	50	33.25	200	66.50	500	94.50	PERU	400	82.25	250	551.25	
500	65.65	100	73.50	300	183.75	700	211.75	200	13.15	500	201.25	ZIMBABWE	
700	154.00	FIJI		400	355.25	800	267.75	300	21.00	UNITED STATES	50	8.75	
BAHAMAS		25	7.00	HUNGARY		100 Pictorials		500	75.25	300	7.90	100	21.00
50	21.00	50	16.65	500	11.40	only	13.60	800	271.25	1,000	31.50		
100	52.50	100	42.00	1,000	28.00	50 Semi Post		PHILIPPINES	1,500	77.00			
200	141.25	200	113.75	2,000	73.50	only	11.40	100	5.20	2,000	376.25		
300	269.50	300	239.75	500 Pictorials		MONACO		RUSSIA	300 Commems.				
BELGIUM		FRANCE		only	17.45	100	18.85	100	1.95	only	8.70		
300	11.40	200	7.90	1,000	38.45	200	52.50	200	4.85	500	16.65		
700	47.25	300	14.45	ICELAND		400	134.75	500 Pictorials.	800	33.25			

VISIT US ONLINE AT WWW.SUBWAYSTAMP.COM FOR MORE COUNTRY AND TOPICAL PACKETS

America's (and the World's) Largest Stamp Collecting Supply Company

SHIPPING CHARGES

By MAIL/UPS * \$7.50 Min. Orders over \$55 ADD 12%, Over \$100 ADD 10%, Over \$250 ADD 8%

* Some Remote Areas Carry Higher Shipping charges.

PA Residents ADD 6% Sales Tax

ADD \$5/\$10 Per Parcel on high weight/low cost orders shipped to the 11 Western States & TX
Ask for Shipping Charges to AK, HI, P.R., APO's, FPO's, Foreign



Phone: 1-800-221-9960 Fax: 1-888-221-9960

Email: custserv@subwaystamp.com Phone: 814-946-1000 Fax: 814-946-9997



2121 Beale Ave, Altoona, Pa 16601 - DEPT. APS

www.subwaystamp.com/

Not Responsible For Typographical Errors



indeed drafted later in the war. The Marines didn't want or need the draft but the other services insisted on it. There is a Gov. ref. book on the USMC Reserves ca. 1950s–60s (by Hough?) and I can dig out the citation but don't have it at hand.

I don't know about drafting during the Korean war, but the Marines were also directed to draft men during the Vietnam war. *Semper Fi*.

Saintly?

I just finished reading Ken Martin's "The Pulse" column in the September issue (page 851). Apparently, the volunteers are not only great, but at least one of them is saintly! I noticed the golden halo around the head of Peter Butler on page 854.

Joseph Scafetta Jr.

Falls Church, Virginia

Editor's reply: When we look at all the work they do, we must conclude that our volunteers are indeed saintly. In Peter's case, however, the evidence is provided by the outline of the APS Seal, made entirely of postage stamps and displayed in Sundman Hall at the American Philatelic Center.

Scott Tiffney — Doing It Right!

I am not given to writing letters to the editor and such. This would be a first for me. The situation is — I have been impressed with Scott Tiffney, Reference Assistant at the American Philatelic Research Library, to the point that I felt it appropriate to do so at this time.

The "go to" guy, Scott is particularly

enthusiastic about his job. He is knowledgeable and good spirited, regardless of the questions, requests or situation at hand. This includes the mundane, the trivial, and at times esoteric matters requiring in-depth knowledge of philatelic history and processes.

Scott to the rescue! Whether it has been scans, technical data beyond my scope of expertise, or direction and advice, if Scott didn't have the answer he would research it and get back to me in a timely fashion. This is not the exception with Scott. It is a habitual trait and an attribute that deserves recognition.

I called the Library on his first day of employment (I am aware he was a volunteer first), back in November, with some kind of pressing problem. He resolved it with finesse. I have routinely called and e-mailed Scott with diverse philatelic since that time with nothing but positive results.

Scott is always patient, professional and enthusiastic about helping, and about his position with APS. In my humble opinion: the philatelic world is much better off with Scott involved in it. Personally, I do not think the APS could have made a better decision, than to place Scott such as you have.

Scott is a definite asset, to philately in general and to the APS in particular.

A Stamp of approval!

Thom E. Kott - DaBear

Riverton, New Jersey

Don't Push a CEO

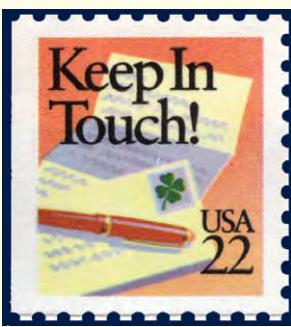
I am a 25-year member of the APS. Over the years I have enjoyed the mag-

azine and other services available to members. I consider myself an average collector. My grandfather started me collecting stamps when I was eight by giving me a packet of old and fairly common foreign stamps. My parents bought me a worldwide Minkus album for Christmas that year and I was hooked on a wonderful hobby that has held my attention for more than fifty years. I was thrilled to receive my 25-year pin at StampShow 2013 in Milwaukee on August 10.

There is something that has been troubling me of late. I read all of the discussion around the CEO position from both sides of the question. I considered carefully both sides of the issue before voting "No" on the ballot. After reading the final tallies in the election, it appears that the question was voted down by a margin of about 2 to 1. I mistakenly thought that would be the end of the question about hiring a CEO.

I was told that Mr. Saadi may yet try to push the CEO position through. I was also informed that there was to be a "Town Hall Meeting" at StampShow 2013 in Milwaukee. Since I was to receive my 25-year pin, I thought I would hang around for the "Town Hall" portion of the meeting. Guess what, that didn't start until well after 10 a.m. I had only one day in which to attend the show. The bourse and exhibit floor opened at 10 a.m. I waited until after 10 to see if the Town Hall meeting would start, but chose not to wait further and sacrifice my opportunity to enjoy the show.

I firmly believe that while Mr. Saadi believes that the hiring of a CEO is not a membership issue, the results of the vote on the question served as a referendum. The majority of those who voted on it were opposed to it. Mr. Proulx in his letter to the editor in the July issue of the AP ("Vision Does Not Agree," page 612) states that the Executive Board may have information that the general membership is not privy to, and Mr. Saadi is quick to agree with that statement in his response. Both seem to agree that this is limited to personnel issues. I fail to see how there could be information like this that would influence the decision to hire a CEO. If there are compelling rea-



Contact The AP

By E-Mail

Letters to the Editor —

lettertotheeditor@stamps.org

Articles —

aarticle@stamps.org

By Mail

**The AP, 100 Match Factory Place
Bellefonte, PA 16823**

*The American Philatelist reserves the right to edit letters for length and content;
not all letters that are received are able to be printed in the AP.*

Why Sell Your Stamp Collection to Dr. Bob Friedman?

Because we are the nation's largest buyer and seller of stamp collections! And have been for over 35 years.

Why sell to other buyers who often simply resell to us?

"Dr. Bob Friedman received my collection and offered me a fair price. After the purchase, he personally packed over 200 albums so that I wouldn't have to do it myself. I would recommend him to anyone who has a collection to sell. He's fair and showed concern for me as a person."

Jay Kaplove
Tenafly, New Jersey



"It was a pleasure dealing with Dr. Bob. Your offer was definitely the highest offer of the three bids I received.

"I enjoyed our discussions and much appreciated your flexibility in changing your busy schedule to accommodate my changing needs. I especially appreciated that you kept all your commitments."

John Nagel
Morrison, Illinois

"Thank you for purchasing my stamp collection covering many thousands of whole mint sheets. I drove from Cleveland to meet with you at your store in the Chicago area and was pleased with your professionalism and the financial transaction. The 6-hour trip was well worth it."

Greg Beifuss
Westlake, Ohio

"I just wanted to drop you a quick note to tell you what a pleasure it was doing business with you. I always felt as if I was being dealt with fairly and honestly. I sent my material to you, you notified me immediately upon its arrival and called me within a few days to make me a very fair offer. I received my check within a week of our talk. It has been a pleasure dealing with you."

Steven C. Reynolds, DDS
Scottsdale, Arizona

"While Dr. Friedman offered to come visit me, I had complete trust in him and sent my valuable collection to him. Within a matter of days, he had reviewed the material and had called me with an offer that he felt was fair to both of us. I agreed and a check was immediately sent to me. I was more than pleased."

Greg Samuelson, MD
Omaha, Nebraska

And we are always available to immediately come to you.

Deal with a family owned and operated business. While many collectors are anxious about selling their collection, selling a collection to us is generally a very pleasant experience.

Do you wish an immediate response?

If you have a substantial collection, you may ship it to us at our expense. After you call us, we can provide you boxes, tape and prepaid labels—and have UPS pick up right in your living room. Our insurance can cover shipments if you let us know in advance. We will call you within 48 hours with our cash offer. Immediate payment is always made by cashier's check or personal check, whichever you prefer.

Good News!
Coin collections & accumulations also wanted!
We pay very high prices.

We always offer to purchase **EVERYTHING** in your collection

and will pay you the highest possible price for your collection. We can afford to pay a very proper price as we have \$5,000,000 available for the purchase of collections. Over 95% of our offers have been accepted.

Call Toll Free:
1-800-588-8100
& ask for Dr. Bob

Dr. Robert Friedman & Sons

2029 West 75th Street • Woodridge IL 60517
Toll Free: (800) 588-8100 • Fax: (630) 985-1588

Visit our website: www.drbobfriedmanstamps.com

E-Mail: drbobstamps@comcast.net

STAMPS



Dr. Bob can travel to you from either of our two locations—the Chicago area and Southeastern Florida. Call us!



Fill out, tear out and mail this.
We'll get back to you immediately!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Please describe what you have for sale: _____

Mail to:
Dr. Bob Friedman
(Mark your envelope "personal")
2029 West 75th Street • Woodridge IL 60517

sons for a CEO that have not yet been brought forward, then let's get them out. If there are personnel issues that are impacting the organization, then deal with them and move on, but don't try to push a CEO on the membership when they have clearly voted against such a proposal. That is one way to surely divide the membership, resulting in a decrease in donations and membership renewals in the future.

Ray D. Perry

Green Bay, Wisconsin

Allred Not Albert

A small error in Wayne Youngblood's article in the August AP ("Some Stories Tell Themselves," page 725). In describing the postcard in question, Mr. Youngblood notes the card is addressed to "Lt. Joe D. Albert." However, all other mentions of the addressee are to Joe Allred or Lt. Allred. In fact, it does appear the card was addressed to Lt. Allred. As a recognizable proper name, the computer probably did not catch the misuse of Al-

bert, while Allred, not so common, gets flagged for correction.

Rick Miggins

Toluca Lake, California

Untold Story

The article in the August edition titled "Some Stories Tell Themselves" is about a postcard written to an American POW in Europe during the Second World War. The card was sent by Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Berry of Bentonville, Arkansas to Lt. Joe D. Allred (mistaken surname of "Albert" in the first part of the article) who came from the same town. The article begins with the statement that "[e]very once in a while, one encounters a piece of postal history that simply begs to have its story told." Unfortunately, however, the story is never told in the article. The author states that he "was unable to learn anything about Joe Allred, Mrs. Berry, or their relationship," but even cursory searches on Google reveal information about these two individuals as well as Mr. Berry. Perhaps

the author could have also made some direct contacts in Bentonville to obtain the story.

One additional question that the article raises is why the postal clerk in New York City who rejected the postcard could not have simply removed the stamp or put a label on it to allow the card to be sent to its intended recipient in that, as the article states, there was free postage to American POWs.

George F. Del Duca

Palmetto Bay, Florida

Finding Lt. Allred

Apart from being a philatelist I also dabble in genealogy, and Wayne Youngblood's article "Some Stories Tell Themselves" in the August AP tweaked my curiosity. I found this information in the *U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938–1946*:

Joe D Allred

Name: Joe D. Allred

Birth Year: 1917

Race: White, citizen (White)

DUTCH COUNTRY AUCTIONS THE STAMP CENTER

Est. 1979

Where Buyers Bid With Confidence Knowing that ALL Lots Are 100% Satisfaction Guaranteed!

**WHEN YOU ARE READY TO LIQUIDATE YOUR COLLECTION —
WE ARE AT YOUR SERVICE!**



No matter the size — 1 stamp or a truckload...drop off, ship or call us to pick-up your collection of ... U.S. or Worldwide stamps, coins, currency, covers, postcards, historical or sports related memorabilia, etc. for a free and prompt appraisal by our professional and bonded staff supported by our CASH offer for outright purchase or an ESTIMATE of what you would realize by consigning to Dutch Country Auctions with a GUARANTEED MINIMUM

Features of our Auction Services include:

- | | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ ONLY 12% Seller's Commission✓ Settlement in 45 Days✓ Professionally written & illustrated catalogs mailed worldwide and available for online viewing | <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Bids accepted by phone, e-mail or Internet ending 90 minutes before each auction✓ Cash, checks and credit cards accepted✓ Auction material available for inspection in our spacious facility for 4 weeks prior to sale |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

Contact us for more information or to receive our free auction catalog.

4115 Concord Pike, 2nd Floor, Wilmington, DE 19803

Phone: 302-478-8740 • Fax: 302-478-8779 • E-mail: auctions@dutchcountryauctions.com
Websites: www.dutchcountryauctions.com • Web Store: www.thestampcenterstore.com



Nativity State or Country: Arkansas
State of Residence: Arkansas
Country or City: Benton
Enlistment Date: 21 May 1942
Enlistment State: Oregon
Enlistment City: Portland
Branch: Branch Immaterial – Warrant Officers, USA
Grade: Private

Term of Enlistment: Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law

Component: Army of the United States
Education: 3 years of college
Civil Occupation: Foreman, manufacturing

Marital Status: Single, without dependents

Height: 68

Weight: 145

From *World War II Prisoners of War, 1941–1946:*

Name: Joe D Allred

Race: White

Residence State: Arkansas

Report Date: 7 Feb 1944

Latest Report Date: 22 Sep 1944

Grade: Second Lieutenant or Nurse or Dietitian or Physical therapy aide

Grade Notes: Second Lieutenant or

Ensign

Service Branch: Army

Arm or Service: Corps of Engineers

Organization Type: 094

Parent Unit Type: Group/Regiment/ Commands/System

Area Served: North African Theatre:

Italy

Detaining Country: Germany

Camp: Hospital at Stalag 2-A

Neubrandenburg Mecklenburg 53-13

Status: Returned to Military Control,

Liberated or Repatriated

Report Source: Individual has been reported through sources considered official.

From *U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775–2006:*

Name: Joe Dennis Allred

Service Info: 1LT US ARMY WORLD WAR II

Birth Date: 18 Apr 1917

Death Date: 25 Aug 1996
Service Start Date: 21 May 1942
Interment Date: 28 Aug 1996
Cemetery: Fayetteville National Cemetery
Buried At: Section 26c Site 6

I also found him on a ship passenger list S.S. *Gripsholm*, at the top of which was a handwritten note: "Members of the U.S. Armed Forces travelling under order not seen." The manifest states the ship sailed from Gottenburg, Sweden on September 10, 1944 and arrived in New York September 26, 1944. Included on that manifest was Joe Dennis Allred, age 27, male, single, born April 18, 1917 in Rogers, Ark., with home address 507 NW 5th Street, Bentonville, Ark.

I found an Elliott Berry, wife Ruth, and daughters Ruth and Mary C. in the 1920 census living in Bentonville. In 1920 Berry was renting and by 1940 was the owner of a house at 304 West Central Street, about five blocks from Allred's home of record.

Finally, Joe's parents were living at the home of record in the 1940 census — his father Fred, mother Myrtle, along with his brothers Ross and Frederick and his sister Alberta.

Peter Wood

Toronto, Ontario

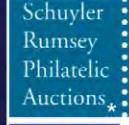
Stamp Dealer POW

I found Wayne Youngblood's article on the returned POW postcard very interesting, but thought I would let readers know that there is a real philatelic connection to Stalag Luft III Sagan (or Zagan). Well-known and well respected Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario stamp dealer, the late Harold Beaupre was a POW there from mid-1943 until the camp was liberated in April 1945.

Harold, whose rank was Flight Lieutenant, was serving in the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) and was the Navigator on a Lancaster bomber from 83 Squadron, Royal Air Force Station Wyton, Cambridgeshire. On the night of 16/17 April 1943 aircraft from this Squadron, and others, were detailed to attack the Skoda Works in Pilsen. On leaving the target area Harold's aircraft was hit by anti-aircraft fire and severely


We keep you in touch with Informations Offers of the following companies*


















www.philasearch.com

* denotes APS Membership

Worry-free transactions.

**Check out Dr. Logan's letter below.
Sell your collection to our George Bailey and
see how rewarding an experience it will be.**

Edward D. Younger Co.
Pound Ridge, NY 10576

Dear Mr. Younger:

This correspondence is an expression of gratitude to your representative, Mr. George Bailey, and his recent business visit to Williamsburg, Virginia.

While in our city on business, we invited Mr. Bailey to participate in our stamp society's monthly meeting. While there he spoke to the group about your philatelic firm and his background related to such. As your representative, he was most professional and you are fortunate to have such an able and knowledgeable philatelist on your staff. He is indeed an asset to your business.

Sincerely,



Dr. Edwin M. Logan

We traveled at
a moment's
notice to
Dr. Logan.
We can do the
same for you
anytime!

"Let us take the MYSTIQUE OUT of selling your stamps."

Honest, no nonsense transactions • Evaluations personally by recognized experts

IMMEDIATE PAYMENT, NO WAITING • Ready funds to handle any size property

Most important: Payment will be for the **full market value** of your collection.



Edward D. Younger Co.

For over 35 years...



serious professional buyers.

4 Finance Drive, Suite 201 • Danbury, CT 06810

Phone: 203-628-7348 • Fax: 203-628-7346 • E-mail: info@edward-younger.com

Valuing a collection...

**requires experienced professionalism,
something that is acquired over many years of actually
doing it. No one does it better than our buyers.**

Edward D. Younger Co.
Pound Ridge, NY 10576

We are proud of
the relationships
we build with
philatelists
throughout
America. Like we
did for Nina, let
us be of assis-
tance to you in
the purchase of
your collection.

Dear Mr. Ed:

I very much appreciated the professional and competent way you and George Bailey handled the purchase of my late husband's stamp collection. Your ability to evaluate and purchase all types of philatelic material, not only U.S. and foreign stamps, but postal history, first flight covers, postal stationery, etc. was most impressive.

I do thank you for your "on the spot" payment which I feel was most fair and satisfactory. Thanks again to both you and George.

Sincerely,



"Let us take the MYSTIQUE OUT of selling your stamps."

Honest, no nonsense transactions • Evaluations personally by recognized experts

IMMEDIATE PAYMENT, NO WAITING • Ready funds to handle any size property

Most important: Payment will be for the **full market value** of your collection.



Edward D. Younger Co.

For over 35 years...



serious professional buyers.

4 Finance Drive, Suite 201 • Danbury, CT 06810

Phone: 203-628-7348 • Fax: 203-628-7346 • E-mail: info@edward-younger.com

Edward D. Younger Co.

Serious professional buyers of philatelic properties for over 35 years

Collections - Accumulations - Dealer Stocks

We are a company that:

- Has a reputation for efficient, no-nonsense, honest transactions
- Has a Worldwide clientele allowing us to pay real market price for your **US or foreign collections**
- Has ready funds to handle any size property
- Can provide **immediate cash payment** with no waiting
- Has the need, knowledge and means to buy your stamps



Contact:

Ed Younger for an appointment today!

November 4–25, 2013



*We will be traveling throughout
the Western States of California,
Oregon, Washington, Arizona, Utah,
Nevada, and Idaho — as well as
British Columbia, Canada. If
you have stamps you'd like to
sell, please contact us to
arrange an appointment.*



Member since 1976

Edward D. Younger Co.

4 Finance Drive
Danbury, CT 06810

Phone: (203) 628-7348 • Fax: (203) 628-7346 • Email: info@edwardyoungerc.com

damaged, with two of the four engines stopped.

The Captain tried to get the aircraft back to the French coast and almost made it when they were attacked by a Junkers 88 night fighter. The Flight Engineer and Bomb Aimer bailed out but the other five members of the crew were still in the aircraft when it crashed in Pontavert (Aisne). The Captain, Flying Officer Glen McNichol (RCAF) was killed in the crash but the other crew members — who were all wounded — survived and were taken prisoner.

For his actions during the flight and subsequent to the crash, when he went back into the burning wreckage to rescue the trapped mid-upper gunner, Harold was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross (DFC). This was his thirty-seventh

operation. A fellow crew member, who was also with Harold at Sagan was Flying Officer Thomas William Lewis, an American serving in the RCAF.

Harold was a very quiet, unassuming gentleman who ran his stamp business out of his house for many years and was a regular dealer at stamp shows in Southwestern Ontario. He was in his eighty-fourth year when he passed away, 26 March 2002.

Michael Millar, FRPSC
Barrie, Ontario

Mountaineering

I thoroughly enjoyed "Mountains and Mountaineering on Stamps" in September's AP (page 818). Barry Floyd's details on both the stamps and mountains were extensive and well-researched.

As a teenager in Japan in the late 1950s (my father was stationed there with the U.S. army), I had the opportunity to join in with my youth group on a trip and expedition to Mt. Fuji. Unlike numerous rugged peaks, Fuji was quite "forgiving," allowing ascents and descents through secured base camps. Our trip took place during the summer and our group leader rode a mule laden with supplies. At the time, I had my "Fuji stick," a six- or eight-sided wood dowel on which various station markings could be burned as souvenirs.

I can only imagine being part of ascents on some of the other peaks, especially the Eiger's north face!

Leroy Collins
Norfolk, Virginia

Adding to the Story

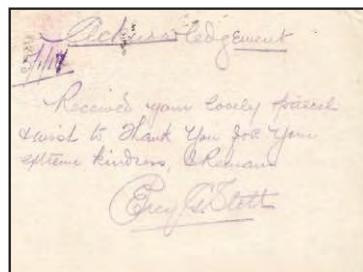
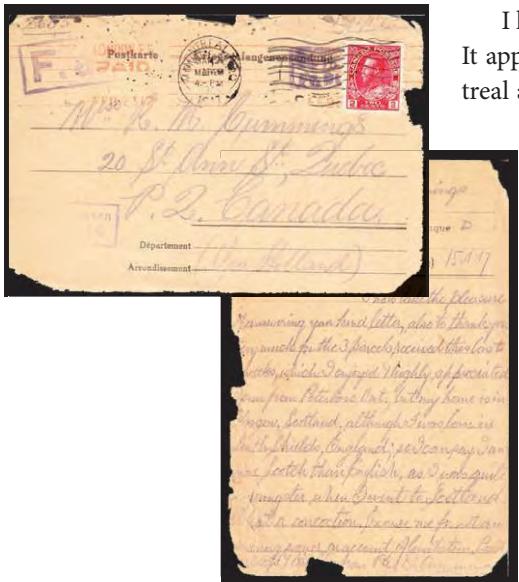
With reference to two recent articles in the AP — "Some Stories Tell Themselves" (Wayne Youngblood, August AP, page 725) and "God Bless You for Your Kindness" (Alexander Kolchinsky, December 2012 AP, page 1140) — the attached documents complement both articles and add a personal note about Canada.

The first two are an acknowledgment card front & back sent to my maternal great-grandmother; the last two are the face and rear of an actual POW card sent to one of her daughters, my great aunt then still living at home in Quebec City. Both are dated in January 1917, arrived in Montreal, Quebec in March 1917. Here is the unique tidbit: to raise funds for the war effort, Canada required a stamp to be placed on *everything*, even if it was marked FREE! It is a supposition on my part that the thank-you card was considered a "Card/letter" and as such required the extra one-cent postage; where the POW message was considered cheaper as a card.

I have NO idea who paid for the stamps. It appears the stamps were affixed in Montreal and cancelled there. There is a remote possibility that the recipient was eventually charged with the cost. Another scenario sees a master invoice for all such communication costs sent to the War Office for payment. A third choice is that the Post Office "paid" the cost themselves.

From the story of the Russian experience reported in the 2012 December issue, I suspect the POW German Commander also required the "acknowledgment card" instead of the probable attachment that was sent as part of the parcel. A possible reason for this would be so as not to compromise the regulations regarding POW's sending extra messages. But one will never know.

Peter Wood
Toronto, Ontario



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 26th AUCTION

14th - 18th October 2013



Christoph Gärtner

We received many top-class consignments during the last weeks and we are happy to give you an insight to our auction in October.

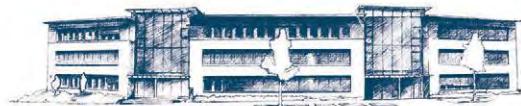
Please have a look:

- nice offer single lots **HAWAII** and **CSA**
- **OLDENBURG**, the „Richard Strauss Collection“
- **CHINESE BANKNOTES**, Special Catalogue
- one of the best offer Postal History e.g. **CHINA, JAPAN, PAPUA & PACIFIC, BELGIUM AND TRAVELLING POST OFFICE**
- 2 gold medal collections **GERMAN FIRST ISSUES**
- **ESTATE „KARL STEHLE“** - Special Catalogue historical postcards
- **ALLIED OCCUPATION**, fine offer cancels and postal stationery
- **GERMAN STATES**, attractive offer single lots and collections
- **CENSORSHIP MAIL**, great offer single lots and collections
- over 3 million(!) **COVERS, POSTAL STATIONERIES AND POSTCARDS** in our collection sale



Just contact us:

AUKTIONSHAUS Christoph Gärtner GmbH & Co. KG
 Steinbeisstr. 6 + 8 | 74321 Bietigheim-Bissingen / Germany
 Tel: +49-(0)7142-789400 | Fax: +49-(0)7142-789410
info@auktionen-gaertner.de | www.auktionen-gaertner.de



**YOUR VALUES PRESENTED
ALL AROUND THE WORLD**

Consign or sell now!

Take the chance to present your single lots and collections in our **27th Auction** in February 2014.

Closing date for consignments: **11th November 2013**

Give us a call:

+49-(0)7142-789400

Or contact us by mail:

info@auktionen-gaertner.de

**CONSIGNMENT & OUTRIGHT PURCHASE
IS ALWAYS POSSIBLE**

* Finder's fee for agents guaranteed



C.G.

Cuban Stamps

I noted with interest the letter to the editor from William Battles in the July AP ("eBay Listings Blocked," page 610). I have had listings of Cuban stamps and philatelic material blocked by eBay on a few occasions this year.

I e-mailed a representative of the U.S. Treasury (OFAC) back in April with a request for clarification about the embargo policy (specifically regarding Cuba only) and their response to me was: "Per the Cuban Assets Control Regulations it is not permissible for you to sale items of Cuban origin. If you have any additional questions please do not hesitate to contact OFAC."

I then followed up with a request for clarification as follows: "Just for clarification, ALL items of Cuban origin are prohibited? Because eBay currently has over 10,000 items for sale right now that are from Cuba — just in the category of stamps. Why are they allowed if my two items are not?"

I think I annoyed them with that comment, because the only reply I got was: "All items are prohibited."

I just tried again today to list a lot of Cuban revenues (all older material — 1950s or older) and it was rejected again. I noted now that there are only about 200 items from Cuba listed on eBay in the Stamps category.

I then decided to look at the U.S. regulation regarding Cuban items and I can find no exemption for stamps or philatelic material, so it would appear that any dealers or collectors in the U.S. who have any Cuban items in their possession can keep them without risk or penalty, but they are not allowed to resell them. Period.

This would seem to be a problem for many dealers and collectors, as I would imagine there are untold thousands of items residing in collections and inventories, and any attempt to sell them would appear to be a violation of federal law. I am not sure if the APS would

have any interest or influence with the U.S. government in getting an exemption passed to these regulations. I think that at one time stamps of Cuban origin before the original 1962 embargo date were exempt, but that exemption seems to have disappeared entirely.

In case anyone is interested, the entire section of the Federal Code of Regulations regarding Cuban assets is available at: www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/retrieveECFR?gp=&SID=0602fda694d848cdad104c4d877288cd&n=31y3.1.1.1.3&r=PART&tty=HTML#31:3.1.1.3.1.1.1.

Ray Petersen

West Hartford, Connecticut

Ken Martin, APS Executive Director, replies:

I do not believe that the regulations have changed and I believe that all used Cuban stamps may be sold and that unused Cuban stamps that were issued before the embargo in 1962 may also be sold (as detailed in the *Scott Catalogue*). I also believe that Cuban stamps that are otherwise prohibited may be

BUYING in FLORIDA: October & November. We'll come to YOU to BUY your collection!

We Buy It ALL!

From big messy rooms full
to specialized collections
worth \$5,000-\$250,000.

Confidential
Immediate Payment
Over 30 years
professional experience

A map of the state of Florida with major cities marked by stars and labeled: Pensacola, Tallahassee, Jacksonville, Gainesville, Daytona Beach, Orlando, Tampa, Melbourne, Venice, Fort Myers, West Palm Beach, Naples, Fort Lauderdale, Miami, and the Florida Keys.

QUALITY STAMPS

PO Box 1905-A
Venice, FL 34284-1905

Ph: 941-376-5689
Fax: 941-493-1490

qualitystamps@verizon.net
BuyingQualityStamps.com



Contact us to set up
an appointment



sold as part of a collection or mixture if they represent an insignificant amount and value of the collection/mixture. While OFAC told you that all Cuban items are prohibited, below is an e-mail in which they told another APS member that cancelled Cuban stamps may be sold: "As long as the stamps are marked as cancelled it is permissible for them to be sold. / OFAC Compliance"

I have been advised that APS is unlikely to have any impact on changing OFAC policies. There are rumors, however, that eBay/Paypal is taking another look at their blanket prohibition. If true, and they decide to make changes, I don't know the time frame over which any changes would be implemented. The eBay/PayPal implementation has clearly affected many dealers/collectors and we appreciate that several have shared copies of correspondence and summaries of conversations. We will attempt to keep the membership informed on any progress that we are able to achieve.



Historic Postcards

A real picture postcard from Argentine, Genesee County, Michigan (postmarked 1915) shows that attracting tourists was a popular goal early in the twentieth century. The top sign warns drivers, "Danger Go Slow," while the larger sign begs to be photographed as a souvenir:

ARGENTINE
The Smallest Town in
Michigan with Electric Lights
9 Lakes, 3500 Acres of Water
WELCOMES YOU

Originally established as Booton on November 1, 1837 with James H. Mur-

ray as its first postmaster, the name was changed to Argentine on March 30, 1842. The post office ceased operations on August 15, 1929, with mail service handled by Linden (Zip Code 48451).

A second real picture postcard, this one from 1909) shows the Guard, MD Post Office in Garrett County, Maryland. The post office was established on January 24, 1901 with Harrison Hinebaugh as its first postmaster. He was succeeded by Watson Guard on December 12, 1903. Jasper T. Fike took over as postmaster on October 18, 1919 until the facility ceased operations on September 30, 1931, with mail service to Selbysport. Postmaster



THE RASDALE ADVANTAGE

Why just get one offer when we can get you hundreds!

Rasdale Stamp Co. has thousands of potential buyers participating in every auction.

Sell to us directly or consign your collection today!

Let us work for you!

- *Prompt appraisals*
- *Low commission rates*
- *Maximum exposure*
- *Generations of experience*
- *We'll come to you!*

Rasdale Stamp Co.

Family Owned and Operated Since 1932

35 Chestnut Ave. Westmont, IL 60559-1127
(p) 630.794.9900 • (f) 630.794.9958

(e) info@RasdaleStamps.com • www.RasdaleStamps.com



Watson Guard is standing in the doorway with his dog.

Paul Petosky

Munising, Michigan

Mail Stiffeners 1

This is a response to a letter by Steve Henderson in the August *AP*, entitled "Express Envelopes as Stiffeners" (page 717). I want to offer a balanced view to the objection to using USPS mailing material as stiffeners when mailing philatelic items sold on eBay. I have bought and sold stamps and covers on eBay and have often used cut-to-size pieces of *previously mailed* USPS Priority boxes. The pre-used Priority boxes are usually not reusable for mailing and are often thrown into the paper recycle bin. I only hope that eBay buyers of my items either recycle my stiffeners or otherwise re-use them when mailing their own sold eBay items.

My actions do not constitute cheating the USPS, because the torn Priority

boxes have already been paid for in prior transactions.

Nick (Nicholas) Malik

Naperville, Illinois

Mail Stiffeners 2

This e-mail is in response to Steve Henderson's letter to the editor regarding the use of Express Envelopes as Stiffeners. My records do not indicate that Steve has purchased anything from me, but I hope my occasional use of Express Envelope parts as stiffeners will not deter him from doing so. I recycle. Occasionally I receive Express Mail from customers and sellers. Trimmed down, they do make excellent stiffeners and I use them as such. Whatever is left after trimming is put into the bin for paper recycling. I also use heavy stock leftovers from a printer I know. Better to extend the life of an item than to discard it, even to the recycle bin, after a single use.

Marc Jasmin

Boston, Massachusetts

AP Back Copies

I'm thinning out the contents of the shelves in my den. Anyone wanting back copies of *The American Philatelist* that I hold may have them for the price of the postage. E-mail: palmersp@verizon.net.

Peter H Palmer

Largo, Florida

Editor's reply: Recycle your back issues of the *AP* — donate them to your local library, scout troop, or senior citizen facility. In addition to cleaning off your shelves, you are spreading the news about a super hobby.

Big Money

When I was a youngster in the late 1930s, I collected U.S. stamps. Money was extremely tight during the Depression so I often went to the local post office and looked in the waste baskets for envelopes with stamps. I managed to save a number of used stamps this way — mint was out of the question.

Time passed, and in 1951 I was drafted. After returning home in 1955, I looked for my collection — nowhere to be found. Then twelve years ago, I again started from scratch. I now find that I'll probably never finish collecting — the cost has become prohibitive for issues from the early years (1847–1930), including used, but I'm still at it. Who knows, there still may be a "gem" to be found in someone's waste basket.

Richard Aronson

Newton, Massachusetts

Defective Stamps

I agree with Heather Gantz in her letter to the editor in the June *AP* ("Defective Stamps," page 616) that there is little value to defective stamps and they probably should not be sold to a novice collector to get started. However, I had a batch of defective stamps and here is how I dealt with them.

When my Aunt Marge passed away in 1976, I inherited her entire stamp collection. I found out, much to my dismay, that she had a condition detrimental to stamps that I call "Fat Tongue." Many stamps in her collection had been stuck to the pages and were damaged by trying to remove them. Because her collection



VANCE AUCTIONS LTD.

Serving Stamp and Postal History Collectors Since 1972

Covers & Postal History

Call today for your FREE colour catalogue
or view it online at

www.vanceauctions.com

P.O. Box 267L, Smithville, Ontario, Canada L0R 2A0
Toll Free Phone: 877-957-3364 • Fax: 905-957-0100
mail@vanceauctions.com



"Does this make the cut?"



Hand-Drawn Cover from the famous Pattee Correspondence

"You can't put together a good collection unless you are focused, disciplined, tenacious and willing to pay more than you can possibly afford...whenever I considered buying anything, I would step back and ask myself does this make the cut?"

Leonard Lauder on collecting art as quoted in the *New York Times*

Mr. Lauder availed himself of an advisor when forming his collection. You should, as well

C O L U M B I A N S T A M P C O M P A N Y

SCARSDALE, NEW YORK

PHONE 914-725-2290

WWW.COLUMBIANSTAMP.COM

EMAIL: sonnyhagendorf@gmail.com

had sentimental value to me, instead of throwing them out or trying to sell them, I turned them into a collage, framed the collage and hung it in my home office. I arranged the stamps in such a way that the damaged portions are discretely hidden behind the stamps on top so that, at a glance, they appear to be in much better condition than they really are. The twenty-three stamps in the collage would have a current catalogue value of almost \$3,000 if they were in good condition, which they are not. It makes a very nice wall decoration, and brings back many good memories each time I look at it.

Al Kremer

Central Lake, Michigan

John Muir

Where is "Postage" in Wisconsin, where John Muir supposedly spent his childhood, mentioned on page 758 of Bob Koepsel's article, "Wisconsin on Stamps," in the August AP.

Bob Milligan

Magnolia, Texas

Editor's reply: It seems we can make anything philatelic here in the editorial department. John Muir was born in Dunbar, East Lothian, Scotland in 1838 and emigrated with his family to a farm they would name Hickory Hill near the town of Portage, Wisconsin in 1849. In 1860 Muir left the family farm and moved to Madison, where he subsequently entered the University of Wisconsin.

Mary Woodard Lasker

I greatly enjoyed your feature story on "Wisconsin on Stamps" in the August issue and was impressed with the collection of all the stamp images displayed. The author, however, failed to include the stamp honoring a distinguished Wisconsinite woman who was featured on a 2009 U.S. commemorative designed by Mark Summers.

She is Mary Woodard Lasker (November 30, 1900–February 21, 1994), an American health activist and philanthropist who worked to raise funds



for medical research, and founded the Lasker Foundation. Born in Watertown, Wisconsin and a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, she is a recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1969, the Four Freedoms Award 1987 and the Congressional Gold Medal in 1989. The Mary Woodard Lasker Award for Public Service was renamed in her honor in 2000.

Since only four stamps honoring women were shown in the whole article, it was a shame not to have included this distinguished female.

Henry Lukas

*Education Director, Spellman Museum
of Stamps & Postal History
Weston, Massachusetts*

Chicken & the Egg

The person who wrote the caption "a Light Brahma Rooster [is] a large calm bird valued for meat and for eggs" must be a city slicker and the editor who let the wording pass, like the rooster, laid an egg.

With all of the acrimony in the APS right now, it is refreshing to see a bit of humor in the AP.

Stamp collecting is supposed to be fun.

Jim Byrne

St. Charles, Illinois

Editor's reply: This indignant Light Brahma Hen makes plain who's doing all the work in the egg laying business. Of course, we meant to refer to the breed not the individual bird depicted — back to English classes....



www.chicagopex.com

Celebrating 110 Years!



WE ARE the Experts!

*Expertizing the U.S. &
almost every country worldwide*

Since 1903, the American Philatelic Expertizing Service has been offering opinions on the genuineness of philatelic material to APS members at a moderate cost.

We have examined opinions on more than 202,000 items.

When in doubt, contact the BEST!

APEX has the largest pool of philatelic expertise available in the hobby today.
Our experts include: Luff Award Winners • Gold-Medal Winning Exhibitors
APS Dealer Members • Specialist Collectors

American Philatelic Expertizing Service • APEX

American Philatelic Society • 100 Match Factory Place • Bellefonte, PA 16823
Phone: 814-933-3803 • Fax: 814-933-6128

See us on the APS Website • www.stamps.org/Stamp-Authentication
or send your request for application forms & guidelines to mercer@stamps.org

APEX Opinions Guaranteed

Wrong Explorer

The Wisconsin on Stamps article in the August *AP* was nice if a little long. However, you may want to reconcile the dates in the Wisconsin Tercentenary stamp note on page 756 (Scott 739). Jean Nicollet is said to have landed at Green Bay in 1634. But his birth and death dates are listed as 1786–1843. Little hard to discover something before you're born. No?

Richard Ropiak

New York, New York

Editor's reply: It's never too late to learn something new, even for editors! Seems there were *two* French explorers with similar names traveling the Midwest — just not in the same century. The discoverer of Green Bay in 1634 was Jean Nicolet (1598–1642). Two hundred years later Jean-Nicolas Nicolet (1786–1843) surveyed the sources of the Mississippi and Missouri rivers in the late 1830s.

Author Wisconsin

I have another item for my Wisconsin collection that I would like to share with readers. Scott 929, issued 1945, depicts the Iwo Jima flag raising. This iconic image was later reproduced as a work of sculpture — the Marine Memorial in Washington, DC. Jack Bradley of Antigo, Wisconsin was one of the six men in the original photograph.



As a navy medic he won the Navy Cross on Iwo Jima, as well as helping to raise the flag. His son wrote of his life in *Flags of Our Fathers*.

Bob Koepsel

Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin

AAT

I always enjoy reading about Bob Lamb's monthly featured "country" in

his Worldwide in a Nutshell column, and especially like seeing in the August issue his focusing on a "polar" entity. It would be unkind and unrealistic to expect every month's feature to be exact, considering he must cover the world. So it is with a bit of reluctance that I comment on two mistakes in the August column that might warrant corrective attention.

The first to sight Enderby Land was John Biscoe (not Briscoe).

Mirny (now a closed Russian Antarctic station) is not the largest base of its type in Antarctica. That is (and probably always has been) the USA's McMurdo Station (established in 1955).

I look forward to Bob's next "Worldwide in a Nutshell."

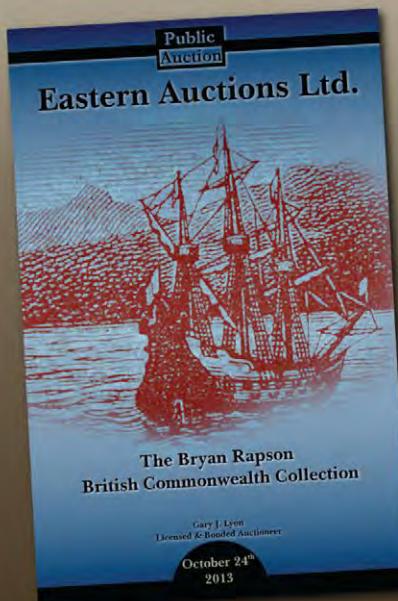
Hal Vogel

Director, American Society
of Polar Philatelists
Willingboro, New Jersey

Portugal

In Bob Lamb's September Worldwide in a Nutshell column (page 888),

Announcing October 24-26, 2013 Public Auction



Catalogue 1
October 24, 2013

**The Bryan Rapson
British Commonwealth Collection**

Aden to Zanzibar with better
mint and used single stamps, sets,
large lots and collections.

Catalogue 2
October 25-26, 2013

General Sale

Featuring over 1,500 lots,
emphasis on Canada and British North America,
with specialized postal history, hundreds of lots
from the rare classic stamps to the modern
Queen Elizabethan era, plus estates and collections.



Eastern Auctions Ltd.

P.O. Box 250 - Bathurst - New Brunswick - E2A 3Z2 - Canada
Website www.easternauctions.com - Email easternauctions@nb.aibn.com

*Viewing available on our website
in late September*

the map at the bottom of the page has the word "Portugal" over the map of Spain. This is misleading. Perhaps an arrow pointing to the actual country of Portugal would have been better. Of all the people I know, stamp collectors should be aware of the names of countries and bodies of water and make sure they are accurately portrayed. Even the word "Europe" is somewhat misleading and unnecessary to the article.

Terry Kennedy
Gardena, California

Worldwide in a Nutshell

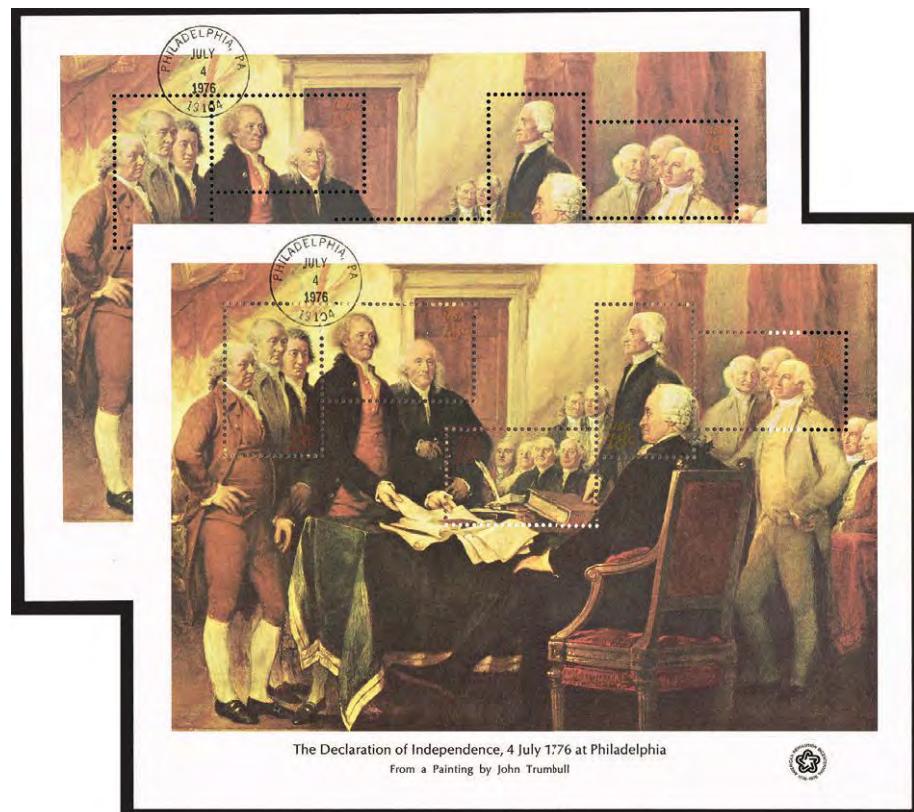
I appreciate the one page comment about a country or stamp issuing organization written by Bob Lamb. I am trying to determine when his Worldwide in a Nutshell column started so I can get a complete collection. In looking at the online AP archives, it appears to begin with the January 2008 issue. But I expected there would be some sort of comment if it was a new monthly feature. It may have been offered in a different format or by another author. What is the history of the monthly page?

David Weaver
Menasha, Wisconsin

Editor's reply: Bob's column did indeed begin with the January 2008 issue, a capsule overview of St. Pierre & Miquelon. There was no introduction beyond a note in the table of contents for that issue, identifying it as "A new column offers thumbnail sketches of new worldwide collecting possibilities..." With this issue we will have published seventy of Bob's international introductions.

Precanceled Souvenir Sheets

Publication of Wayne Youngblood's fine article, "Precanceled Bicentennial Souvenir Sheets," in the July AP (page 626) could not have been more timely for me. While I very much enjoyed reading about the overall results of Mr. Youngblood's research into the various precancels produced by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing attendant with these prominent 1976 issues, I was particularly drawn to the part where he described "The Other Precancel," which to me at least, amounts



to a modern-day rarity.

Moving forward just over a week, as I was reorganizing some of my U.S. holdings, I came across a complete set of Scott 1686–1689 plus, not one, but two of these very same "Other" precanceled sheets of the \$.18 denomination (Scott 1687) in mint condition. Had it not been for Mr. Youngblood's article, I would probably have considered them as merely used U.S. souvenir sheets and treated/collected them accordingly.

Previous exception has created what I consider to be a precedent for full Scott catalogue status being granted for a stamp variety that is different from the primary stamp solely due to a USPS/BEP precancellation having been applied to it (see Scott 1384). However, early indications from the Scott staff point towards an arduous, if not nearly impossible, journey towards even catalogue awareness (footnotes), let alone full catalogue listing status, for these issues. That said, I think collector voices could yet make a difference and now would be a good time to let the Scott editors hear from you.

Richard Thompson
Ohio

Heligoland

Congratulations on another fine issue of the AP. I very much enjoyed the follow up article on post-British Heligoland ("Heligoland," by Dietrich Schroer, July AP, page 646).

Allow me to add some clarifying notes. The original British Heligoland stamps were printed not in Hamburg but in the Prussian Printery in Berlin. The so-called Berlin reprints were indeed printed from the original plates; however, permission was only given to Hamburg dealer Julius Goldner to request and sell the reprints. The printing plates remained the property of, and in possession of the Prussian postal authorities.

In 1886 the governor of Heligoland (Sir Arthur Barkly) put a stop to their printing. Goldner then had to have printers in Leipzig produce new plates, and when authorities put a halt to that, he had to move his operation to Hamburg. While the number of Berlin reprints are known from the official Prussian records, we have no real record of how many of the Leipzig and Hamburg reprints were made; they surely number in the millions, and many collections

THIRD ISSUE Revenue Proof



Scott R144P4 • \$1 green & black

plate proof on card • Very Fine

\$40.00 Postpaid

PA resident add 6% sales tax.

**Shop our vast Revenues
stock on our website!**

Eric Jackson

P.O. Box 728 • Leesport PA 19533-0728

(610) 926-6200 • Fax: (610) 926-0120

orders@revenuer.com



www.ericjackson.com

SINCE 1939

ArtCraft

**The World's Most
Honored Cachets!**

Since 1939 first day cover hobbyists have been building collections with Artcraft covers...the world's most honored cachet. And no wonder, for every Artcraft cachet is a distinctively designed work of art that is engraved by master craftsmen on quality envelopes. Artcraft Engravings are available for all U.S. and U.N. new issues.

Write for information and prices

THE WASHINGTON PRESS

Publishers

FLORHAM PARK, NJ 07932

have nothing but these reprintings.

Lawrence Mead
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Not Precancels

The Precancel Stamp Society (PSS), APS Affiliate AF0065, does not accept the 1976 Bicentennial souvenir sheets (Scott 1686–1689) as precancels. Granted, the items were printed and canceled by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing; however, they were not used by a business that had a permit to use precancels on first-class mail. Further, no Bureau precancels (a classification of those precancels printed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing) are dated on their first day of use. Other than those used as a control, no precancels are dated. Finally, no Bureau precancels use a circular datestamp to make the precancel impression.

Yes, these items are of interest to some collectors, such as those who collect United States first-day covers. In keeping with our policy of not telling people what to collect or not collect, PSS suggests that these items would fit better in a non-precancel collection. The souvenir sheets will not be included in any PSS catalogue.

Larry Patterson
*Editor, The Precancel Forum
Cary, North Carolina*

Imperforate Stamps

I am puzzled by the fact Scott has decided not to issue separate catalogue numbers for imperforate stamps currently being issued by the postal service. These stamps are clearly different from the normal issue and can be used postally. Though I am none too happy with the postal service's decision to issue these stamps and it is clearly intended to increase revenue (and costs to collectors), these stamps are still different type stamps. There have been imperforate is-

sues in the past history of USPS and all have been assigned their own catalogue number. What makes these stamps any different?

Steve Rowe
Paradise, California

Maud the Mule Postcard

In his article on "Philately and the Sunday Funnies" (September AP, page 848), Charles A. Fricke quotes the interesting instructions on the illustrated postcard "Heat up this Post Card with a Hot Flat-iron, gas jet or match (Don't burn it)," but does not investigate further. I suspect the card contained a chemical that, when heated, emits small "pops" or, perhaps, sparks. This would bring to life the firecrackers that are tied to Maud's tail! The chemical is likely gone by now, but I would be curious.

David Gray
Bloomington, Indiana

Military Medals

I apologize if this may seem nit-picking but, as a 26-year Navy veteran, I should not avoid this opportunity to correct a common mistake.

Your September 2013 "Inside the NPM" column (Allen Kane, "William H. Gross Stamp Gallery," page 868) used this phrase "Medal of Honor winner." Civilian and military authorities attempt to recognize bravery and accomplishments by awarding honors, very often in the form of a medal. In fact, this recognition is a rather humble tribute to a person's selfless actions. No military medal is ever "won." Such an honor is not viewed as a contest. In fact, most service members never enter the military with a goal in mind of receiving an award or medal.

Thank you for allowing me this "teachable moment."

Kevin C. Delahanty, MD
Newburyport, Massachusetts

Check Us Out Online!
www.stamps.org/American-Philatelist

Receive FULL MARKET VALUE for your collection.



Don't get caught short selling to the Major Advertisers everywhere that advertise "We pay the Most" or "Highest Prices Paid."

A Special Message:

They buy your collection and then turn around and sell it at auction—often for as much as two to three times what you were paid for it. It's true.

Find out why ALL the commercial buyers sell what they buy at Auction!

Call our Owner/Buyers who are available to travel immediately to value your collection. No pressure. No Hassle Market Values will be provided.

If a dealer asks you "*How much you want for your collection,*" walk away—count on us to candidly advise you as to the current market conditions so that you can receive ***the most for your collection***—either in outright confidential sale for immediate payment or auction consignment.

Consignments now accepted for weekly Internet sales—no need to wait for the next public sale. We sell more lots weekly than any other public auction company.

International Reach—sell to everyone in the market, not just one person or company. **Guaranteed results.**

It's never been easier to receive full market value by contacting Kelleher today! You will be glad that you did. Call Toll Free: 877-316-2895.

United Kingdom Offices
Suite L9, 20-24 Kirby Street
Hatton Garden
London EC1N 8TS



Hong Kong Offices
Dynasty Auction Co. Division
2203, Technology Plaza,
651 King's Road
Quarry Bay, Hong Kong

Daniel F. Kelleher Auctions, LLC
America's Oldest Philatelic Auction House • Established 1885
Domestic Offices:

60 Newtown Road PMB 44 • Danbury, CT 06810
203.297.6056 • Fax: 203.297.6059

Email: info@kelleherauctions.com
www.kelleherauctions.com





Wayne's Chamber of Philatelic Horrors, Part II

Some things are just plain scary. If you don't believe me, just take a look at the four-margin United States No. 2, shown enlarged. This poor thing, which was once gorgeous, has been torn, folded, spindled, mutilated, nibbled, and amateurishly repaired with a partial stamp hinge. Scary indeed. Or how about the sporty little three-piece number on the next page, also shown enlarged? Frightening, to be sure.

If you know me, you're probably aware that — for years — I've maintained my own philatelic "Hall of Shame." This collection is composed of items that have effectively been killed, primarily through ignorance, carelessness, or greed. Some are just sad; some are horrific.

In my October 2008 column (page 914), I presented the first installment of "Wayne's Chamber of Philatelic Horrors," named for pioneer stamp dealer Joseph William Palmer, the very first stamp dealer along London's now-famous avenue of dealers, The Strand. His shop, located at 281 Strand, no longer exists. It was torn down in 1898. In fact, as near as I can tell, the spot is now in the

middle of the Strand in a bustling neighborhood near where the Waterloo Bridge crosses the Thames. But Palmer's wall of "philatelic horrors" will always have a place in the softly spoken shadows of philatelic lore.

Palmer, by all accounts, was an honest dealer, but one with very limited philatelic knowledge and an over-abundant sense of responsibility and eagerness. He was absolutely opposed to anything having to do with fakery, which he felt was rampant in the embryonic Victorian form of our hobby. To some extent he was right. There were few ethics present when a quick quid was in the offing. So, whenever Palmer detected a "fake" (and he was no doubt often incorrect), "SLAP" it went — pasted on the wall of his shop — forever trapped with previous specimens and other innocent victims. By the time his shop was torn down, the walls



How can a four-margin U.S. No. 2 with huge margins and a light red cancel be considered a liability to a collection? In this case it's pretty self-apparent.

were nearly covered with stamps and it had become a popular viewing destination for many. The only known image of Palmer's wall is shown nearby.

My own version of a philatelic horror is one that exists — as I mentioned — because of ignorance, carelessness, or greed. It doesn't have to be a rarity to be tragic, though. Let's start off with a bit of my own ignorance.

When I was a beginning collector (without a knowledgeable mentor), my grandparents tried very hard to help me find stamps for my collection. They not only opened up their desk drawers to my inspection, but their trunks as well. Everything was torn off envelopes, soaked promptly and added to my burgeoning collection. One of the items that wasn't completely lost to postal history posterity is shown. It is what remains of the special delivery cover to the marriage proposal letter my grandfather sent my grandmother. It never occurred to me at the time that I could save the whole cover, but it meant enough to me that I very carefully trimmed around the stamps and postmark to make it "attractive."

Similarly, someone along the chain of possession of the postal stationery items illustrated thought they would be more attractive cut-to-shape, rather than

Palmer's wall
of "philatelic
horrors."





Although many collectors pay huge premiums for gum, it is an unquestioned enemy of stamps if they are not stored under optimal conditions. The gum caused this stamp to become a three-piece horror.

as cut squares or full covers. In this way, Scott U218 and U221, showing both colors and types of the 1876 Centennial stamped envelope types have been rendered into philatelic horrors.

Speaking of trimming, I occasionally come across items such as the scrapbook illustrated, where a great deal of significant postal history has been destroyed in an effort to collect postmarks in a cut-to-shape fashion. In this case, not only did the contained postmarks and stamps suffer the initial philatelic vandalism of being cut from cover and pasted into a scrapbook, but they suffered the additional indignity of being munched by hungry mice in subsequent years.

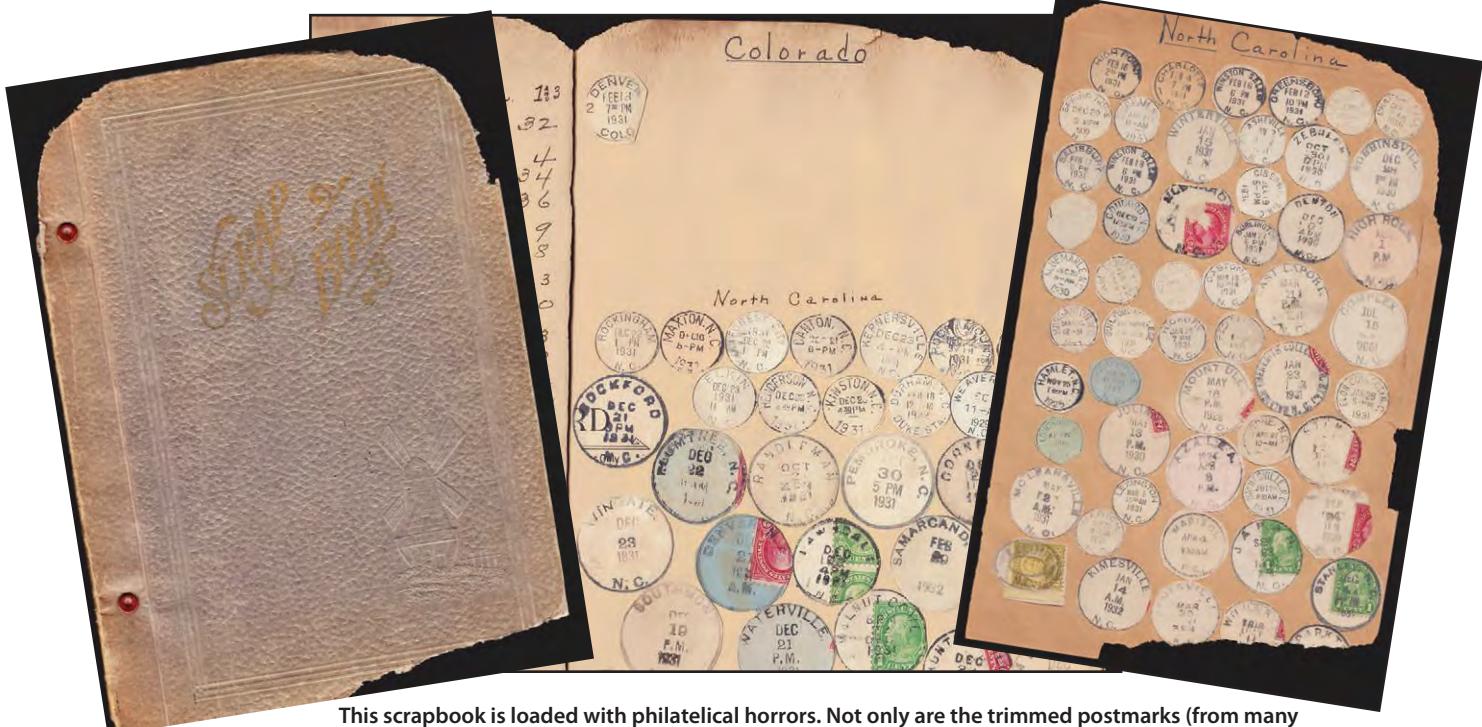
But that's not the worst of it. In a large lot I recently purchased, a cover showed up that is



As a child, the author valued this item enough to carefully trim it to shape, not realizing he was creating an addition to his future Chamber of Philatelic Horrors.



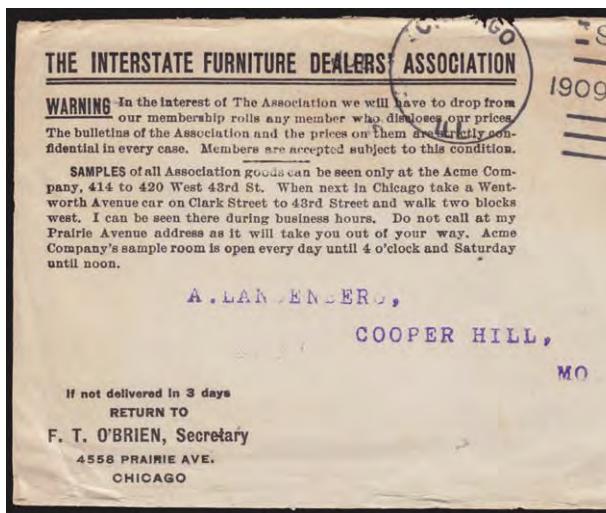
A collector thought these 1876 Centennial envelopes would be far more attractive as cut-to-shape nuggets.



This scrapbook is loaded with philatelic horrors. Not only are the trimmed postmarks (from many states and even other countries) devastating to the postal history that was, but the book itself has been partially devoured by hungry rodents.



An example of philatelic vandalism at its worst. An enthusiastic postmark hunter destroyed an imperf vertical strip of three on an early U.S. cover.



Insects thought that these early twentieth-century stamps were tasty. The same insects apparently had a different opinion about the ink.



After insects had their way with the stamp on this poorly stored cover, the high-acid paper of the illustrated envelope began to crack and crumble, leaving the illustration appearing shocked at its own condition.

(or was) a scarce vertical strip of three of the imperforate 1-cent 1851, Type IV, Scott 9. Vertical strips are typically scarcer than horizontal strips, particularly on cover. Unmolested, it would have had a retail value of more than \$350. Due to the particular trimming of the postmarks, however, not a single stamp is salvageable. Sometimes it's simply better to avert one's eyes from a disaster.

Philatelic horrors are not always man-made. Covers shown on the previous page illustrate the fact that, if left unsupervised, certain insects have a fondness for the flavor of stamps, but not so much for the ink. This leaves the portraits found on these stamps with the eerie appearance of having their faces eaten off!

The 1907 illustrated advertising cover shown has suffered a similar fate, except that in this case only the perforations have been eaten. Additionally, however, the cover is made of a high-acid paper, has been stored poorly, and now it's beginning to crumble. The cachet illustration appears to be shocked at its own current condition.

What happens when one combines inadequate adhesives with poor storage? One cover shows this rather clearly. The stamp, part of the Farley souvenir sheet, Scott 735, was released without gum. The adhesive used in this case (probably mucilage) has turned an unappetizing brown with exposure to heat and humidity over the years. An unintended consequence to be sure, but the stamp is just as destroyed as some of the other items featured this month.

As a bit of departure, take a look at the gorgeous, extremely fine unused 12-cent 1861 (Scott 69) — surely a premium example, right? Nope. A closer examination shows that the stamp has a repaired vertical tear running about half its length, but it also has been trimmed and completely rebacked. The margins also have been lightly tinted to more closely match those of the original stamp. While these repairs certainly stabilized the stamp and made it look better, they were done for more diabolical reasons. If planted in a larger collection, detection of this repair could easily go unnoticed



Poor storage conditions and inappropriate adhesives lead to nasty brown stains. This cover is likely irretrievable.



Although this stamp appears to be gorgeous at first glance, it is a torn, thinned and trimmed troll that has been rebacked, tinted and regummed to fleece the unwary collector or dealer.



Non-pretentious repairs have been made to this filler to make it look more like the stamp it once was. It would fool no one and has simply been stabilized a bit.

with a brief examination, boosting the estimated value considerably. Why am I so quick to make this assumption? Because the reverse of the stamp (also pictured) shows that it has been regummed and an "expertizer" mark added. There would be no other reason to add either than to attempt to dupe a collector or dealer. Contrast this with the unquestionably ugly 10-cent 1869 shown. While there have been perforations added, no other attempt has been made to spruce it up and make it appealing — or deceptive. The stamp has simply been stabilized and made marginally collectible.

One of the many reasons I maintain my ever-growing "Chamber of Philatelic Horrors" is to remind myself (and hopefully others) that while we are temporary stewards of the material we collect and enjoy, we owe it to those who follow us to maintain it to the best of our ability. Our treasures are made of paper — an organic material that degrades naturally over time, a degradation that is accelerated with poor treatment or storage.

What horrors lie in the deep, dark recesses of your own philatelic chambers?



British Solomon Islands

History

Located in the southwest Pacific Ocean, northeast of Australia, this island nation consists of six main islands: Choiseul, Ysabel and Malaita in the North, and Guadalcanal, New Georgia and San Cristóbal (Makira) in the South, with approximately 900 additional small islands. The group stretches approximately 1,050 miles ESE-WNW and 290 miles NNE-SSW with a total landmass of just under 11,000 square miles — an area slightly smaller than the state of Maryland.

Evidence of settlement by Melanesian people dates back to at least 2,000 B.C. However, the first European contact wasn't made until Spanish explorer Álvaro de Medaña de Neira — in search of the fabled lost continent, "Terra Australis" — first sighted the islands in 1568. Traces of alluvial gold led to their being named the Islas de Salomón, in the (vain) hope that riches such as those possessed by the biblical king would be found there. However, the islands could not be found when Medaña returned in 1595. (They were actually twice the distance from Peru that he had estimated, some 8,000 miles.)

The Solomons remained "lost" until the English explorer Philip Carteret



"Large canoe" stamps issued 1907 (Scott 3).

came upon them in 1767. He named them "Queen Charlotte's Islands," and it would be Great Britain that ultimately colonized and claimed them.

From the first, native contact with European explorers in the Solomons has often been violent and destructive. Following the abolition of the Blackbirders (slave traders) of the 1800s, who seized large numbers of the islanders to work the sugar plantations in Fiji, Hawaii, Tahiti, and Queensland, the British established large-scale coconut plantations on the islands. But the local economy grew slowly and was further disrupted by the fierce battles fought against Japan in World War II. The territory was renamed Solomon Islands in 1975 and gained its

independence in 1978. The capital city, Honiara (population 130,000), is located on Guadalcanal (the largest island). The site was chosen due largely to the infrastructure left behind by the U.S. military following World War II.

Philatelic History

Prior to 1907 the resident commissioner, Charles Woodford, purchased New South Wales stamps for prepaying letters for Australia. In 1906 he stopped buying stamps and introduced a "BRITISH SOLOMONS ISLANDS PAID" cachet to cancel mail, which was sent in a sealed bag to Sydney where New South Wales stamps were attached by the post office. This system was fairly successful when there were only about forty Europeans in the territory, but to help with the cost of resettling an influx of laborers from Queensland, Woodford applied to the Governor of Fiji for permission to issue his own stamps. Although his request was denied, Woodford sent his design featuring a war canoe to W.E. Smith & Co, a Sydney printing company, who produced crude, lithographed stamps on non-watermarked paper known to collectors as "large canoes."

The printer's inexperience resulted in some interesting perforation variet-



"Small canoe" stamps issued 1908 (Scott 9).



Reduced registration fee stamp issued 1911 (Scott 12).



New values were added in 1910/11 (Scott 16).



Far right: George V key-type designs with POSTAGE:POSTAGE inscription from 1913 (Scott 22)



Left: New POSTAGE:REVENUE inscription on 3-pence stamp issued 1923 (Scott 32). Right: Color change of 3-pence later that year (Scott 47).



New 1½-pence stamp issued 1924 with old POSTAGE:POSTAGE inscription (Scott 23).



New 4½-pence stamp added 1931 (Scott 49).

ies and numerous flaws. There also were many rather crude forgeries. Seven denominations from ½-penny to 1-shilling were issued at the newly-opened post office at Tulagi in February 1907, and later at post offices in Gizo, Shortlands and Gavutu. For the first six months of their use it was necessary for an additional 2-pence NSW stamp to be affixed in Sydney before incoming letters could be accepted.

The success of Woodford's stamps prompted the Colonial Office to issue a smaller version in the same design in 1908. These stamps, printed by De La

Rue with Multiple Crown CA watermarks, were a marked improvement on the originals. The set was augmented in 1910 with 2-shilling, 2-shilling 6-pence (2s6d), and 5-shilling denominations, followed in 1911 with a 4-pence stamp to pay the newly reduced registration fee.

British Solomon Islands was one of the few colonies and protectorates whose stamps did not feature a portrait of King Edward VII. The "small canoes" were gradually replaced from 1913 with cheaper-to-produce George V key-type designs as used by British Honduras, Malta, Grenada, and St Lucia, but inscribed POSTAGE:POSTAGE. New 3- and 11-pence denominations to pay registration fees and the minimum parcel rate to Australia were quickly followed by ½- and 1-penny stamps. In 1914 twelve identical designs from ½-penny to £1 were issued with inscriptions changed to POSTAGE:REVENUE; a replacement 3-pence with the revised inscription was added in 1923.

From 1922 several denominations were reprinted on Script CA paper. The 3-pence stamp was changed to blue in 1923, and was followed in 1924 with a 1½-pence red, which for some reason was issued with the old POSTAGE:POSTAGE inscription. A new 4½-pence stamp was added in 1927. The £1 denomination had little postal use and was not reprinted.

The British colonial omnibus Silver Jubilee stamps were issued in 1935.

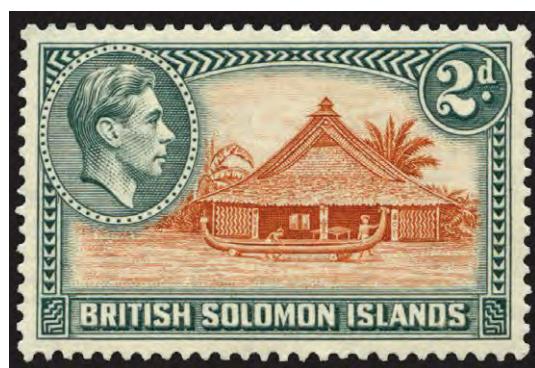
Twelve King George VI definitives from ½-penny to 5-shillings were placed on sale in 1939. Printings were shared by De la Rue (2-pence, 3-pence, 2-shilling, and 2s6d stamps), and Waterlow (other values). The Tinakula volcano in the Santa Cruz islands some 250 miles southeast of



Little used £1 stamp (Scott 41).



British colonial omnibus Silver Jubilee stamps issued 1935 (Scott 61).



2-pence stamp issued 1939 (Scott 70a) and reissued in 1951 perf. 12 (Scott 70b).



Eight postage due stamps were issued in 1940 (Scott J1, J8).



British colonial omnibus Coronation stamps issued 1937 (Scott 66).



New definitives issued 1956 included: Map of the islands (Scott 95), Trading schooner (Scott 96), Map and HMS Swallow honoring 1767 voyage of Philip Carteret (Scott 99), Alvaro de Medaña and ship honoring 1568 voyage of discovery (Scott 103), Henderson Field air strip (Scott 97), and an updated image of Constable & Chieftain (Scott 104).



A £1 definitive issued 1958 featured the territory's coat of arms (Scott 105).

the Solomon Islands chain is spectacularly shown on the 2-shilling stamp, and the strange megapode or Brush Turkey featured on the 2s6d stamp. In 1942 a 10-shilling denomination was added, using the native house design from the no-longer-required 4½-pence stamp.

The 2- and 3-pence values were reprinted in 1951 with changed perforations. An exciting find by a U.S. serviceman in the islands was an imperforate vertical pair of 2½-pence stamps from the first two rows of a part sheet. The item is currently priced by Stanley Gibbons at £22,000 and Scott at \$12,000. Many stamps show various degrees of gum discoloration due to climatic conditions following long periods of storage in the islands.

The four existing post offices were closed and their stamps removed to the safety of Fiji when the Japanese invaded Guadalcanal, followed by the first U.S. Marine landings in 1942. A temporary post office was established in 1943 at Lunga in Guadalcanal, with a new GPO established in Honiara in 1946. Eight postage due stamps from 1-penny to 1s6d were issued in 1940. I am not sure when they were withdrawn, but there was little postal use for them. Very few non-philatelic covers are known bearing these stamps.

The only special issues during the King George Sixth period were the four British colonial omnibus series: Coronation (1937), Victory (1946), Silver Wedding (1949), and the 75th anniversary of the Universal Postal Union (1949).

The issuance of new definitives selected from a public design competition in 1951 had to be postponed because of the sudden death of King George VI. However, the competition itself seems to have been only partly successful, because seven of the designs simply were adapted to include Queen Elizabeth II's portrait. Only the ½-, 2½-, 5-, 6-, and 8-pence, 1- and 5-shilling denominations were completely new; these included a map of the islands, a trading schooner, and early explorers Philip Carteret and Alvaro de Mendaña de Neira. The 8-pence featured the strategic air strip renamed Henderson Field by the U.S. forces in 1942. The 10-shilling stamp was copied from the 1939 1-penny, with updated images of the Native Policeman and Malaita Chief. A £1 denomination featuring the territory's coat of arms was issued in 1958, followed in 1960 with new 9-pence and 1s3d denominations to cover increased air mail charges with designs from the no longer required 5- and 8-pence stamps. Nine values from 1-pence to 2s6d were reprinted with the new Multiple Block CA watermark during 1963–64.

Fifteen lithographed definitives printed by De la Rue were issued in 1965. The radical designs featured drawings of flora and fauna and a variety of local artifacts with the design subject printed in black. They were on sale for less than a year, before the introduction of provisional decimal currency surcharges in 1966. Despite being undertaken in London by De la Rue the surcharging was somewhat unsophisticated and it can be rewarding to look for the many minor differences in the length and width of the obliterating bars. A particularly interesting variety is the inverted "8" on the 8 cents on 9-pence stamp (row 9/2). This flaw is easily overlooked and is worth searching for in club packets and dealers stocks.

Without explanation (but certainly profitable from sales to collectors), the full range of surcharged stamps was released with the watermark changed to a sideways position just four months later. The inverted "8" error was corrected in the new printing. In 1967 new values were created: 12 cents on 1s3d, 14 cents on 3-pence, and 35-cents on 2-pence. Some sheets of the 35-cents stamps were found with the surcharge omitted from one stamp.

The fifteen photogravure pictorials printed by Harrisons in 1968 fea-

British Solomon Islands Sampler



George VI definitives issued 1939: Tinakula volcano (Scott 76), Brush turkey (Scott 77).

Native house
10-shilling value
added 1942 (Scott 79).



British colonial omnibus Victory stamps issued 1946 (Scott 81).



British colonial omnibus Silver Wedding stamps issued 1949 (Scott 83).



British colonial omnibus Universal Postal Union 75th anniversary stamps issued 1949 (Scott 85).



1956 definitives included: Trading schooner (Scott 96), Map and HMS Swallow honoring 1767 voyage of Philip Carteret (Scott 99), Alvaro de Medaña and ship honoring 1568 voyage of discovery (Scott 103), Henderson Field air strip (Scott 97), updated image of Constable & Chieftain (Scott 104).



Unusual black-and-white designs featured in 1965 definitives: Hornbill (Scott 131), Moorish Idol reef fish (Scott 134).

Examples of provisional decimal currency surcharge in 1966: Orchid (*D. veratrifolium*) (Scott 150), Scorpion shell (Scott 151).

British Solomon Islands Sampler



Traditional fishing methods on 1968 pictorials: Platform fishing (Scott 182), Gold Lip shell diving (Scott 184).



New definitives issued 1972 resembled museum specimens: Butterfly (Scott 233), Fish (Scott 236).



\$5 Great Frigate Bird design added 1973 (Scott 247).



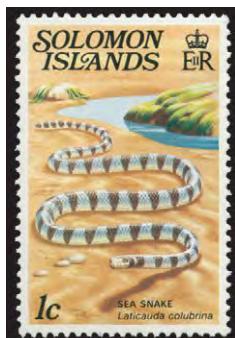
New bird designs issued 1975: River Kingfisher (Scott 281).



November 1975 provisional overprint to delete "BRITISH" following name change to Solomon Islands: Duchess Lorikeet (Scott 310).



Additional bird and seashell designs were added following 1975 name change: Willie Wagtail (Scott 320), Golden Cowrie (Scott 321).



New designs in 1979 featured snakes (Scott 397), lizards (Scott 404), frogs (Scott 408), and a crocodile (Scott 412).



Hawksbill Turtle design added in 1982 (Scott 412A).



New Constitution issue 1961 (Scott 107).

The World's Leading Auctioneers for China & Hong Kong

A few highlights from our upcoming January 11-13, 2014 Auction



North China Liberated Area
1937 White Half Sun of Nationalist
China 5c. blue. Yang NC2



Part of the complete set of 22 Coiling Dragon
die proofs from the Waterlow File Books



Central Jiangsu Border Area
1949 Hwa Chung mimeographed
\$200 with formal character
for "hundred". Yang EC359a



One of three recorded Small Dragon
covers originating from Egypt



One of the finest of the eight recorded
Large Dragons/United States
combination covers

*Consign today to take full advantage of the white-hot market & fabulous prices
with the preeminent auctioneer for China & Hong Kong!*
Minimum consignment US\$2,500.

**interasia
auctions**

interasia auctions limited

Suite A, 13/F, Shun Ho Tower, 24-30 Ice House Street, Central, Hong Kong

tel: +852 2868 6046 fax: +852 2868 6146 email: info@interasia-auctions.com

www.interasia-auctions.com



25th anniversary of Guadalcanal campaign in World War II: American bomber over Henderson Field (Scott 174).



One of the stamps from the Opening of new General Post Office, Honiara, 1970: British Solomon Islands 1906 handstamp and cancel (Scott 204).

tured traditional fishing methods on the six lower values. Other subjects included local activities. Many of the designs were somewhat unimaginative, particularly the 20-cent inscribed "Geological survey" and the \$2 stamp intended to depict the internal air service. The 1-, 2-, 3-, 4-, 8-, 12-, 15- and 20-cent denominations were reprinted on distinctive glazed paper in 1971.

New definitives were printed by Questa Colour in 1972. Most of the representations, especially the butterflies and fish look like museum specimens! A \$5 value featuring a Great Frigate Bird was added in 1973. After just three years a start was made to replace these rather mundane designs. In April 1975 five denominations were released with greatly improved designs featuring birds. Before additional denominations were issued, however, the territory's name was changed to Solomon Islands. In November 1975, all existing definitives, including the short-lived bird designs were provisionally overprinted to obliterate "BRITISH." A completely new series of sixteen stamps was released in 1976 using the format introduced just prior to

the name change. The 1975 bird designs were retained; three more birds and eight sea shells were used for the remaining stamps.

In 1979 the Queen's head was replaced with the EIIR Cypher on new stamps introducing a fine array of frogs, lizards, snakes, and a crocodile — perhaps not an ideal way to encourage tourists! Subsequent printings of some values are identified by appropriate imprint dates. A \$10 denomination showing a Hawksbill Turtle was added in 1982.

In addition to the various omnibus stamps released between 1953 and 1966, there were several other special issues, commencing in 1961 with three stamps to mark the 1960 New Constitution. They were unusual in that approximately 50 percent of each denomination were printed with sideways inverted watermark facing either left or right. In 1967 two stamps of particular interest to American collectors marked the 25th Anniversary of the Guadalcanal Campaign: the 8-cent showed an American bomber over Henderson airfield, while the 35-cent featured U.S. Marines landing at Red Beach August 7, 1942. There were major battles in

the Solomons before the Japanese finally were evicted in 1943. Special stamps for the opening of the new GPO in 1970, included three recalling the postal history of the islands. From about 1980 the postal authorities began producing increasing numbers of so-called special and definitive issues, with a particularly speculative series marking the America's Cup in 1986, which included five strips of ten stamps plus a label.

Collectors of postal markings will find British Solomon Islands a rewarding field — some of the most collectible items are the single-line date cancelers used at Barakoma Airfield in the 1950s. To improve mail deliveries in the remoter districts, several postal agencies were opened in 1969. They were operated by local councils, co-operative societies, private individuals and missionaries, and offered limited postal services. Non-philatelic covers bearing cachets from these agencies may sometimes be found on dealer's stands at bourses and are worth looking out for.

E-mail: chambon@xtra.co.nz



Speculative series of stamp strips issued for America's Cup 1986 (Scott 570).

Who will travel and buy your stamp collection in just...



48 hours?

The professional buyers at
northstamp.com
see our video now!

Northland's video at northstamp.com answers the questions: How much are my stamps worth? What are the best alternatives for selling them? How can I get the most for them and avoid getting ripped off? Watch it, then call us! We will travel within 48 hours to assess your stamp collection at your home, vault or other location. For over 37 years, we've earned an unsurpassed reputation as aggressive buyers. We buy everything... U.S. and foreign. We pay top market prices. And we pay immediately!

**View our entire stock online...
new material added daily.
Over 32,000 page views a month!**

New Video!



northstamp.com

NORTHLAND INTERNATIONAL TRADING, LLC

80 Bloomfield Avenue, Caldwell, NJ 07006

973-226-0088 • 800-950-0058

northstamp@aol.com • Fax: 973-403-2601



Generations: *Baseball on U.S. Postage Stamps*

by Robert A. Moss

Baseball is generational; a game played in three dimensions, whose fourth dimension is time. To the aficionado, the mythos of time past, the reality of time present, and the hopes of times to come unite in the best of games, crossing generations, joining parents with children, bridging past and present.

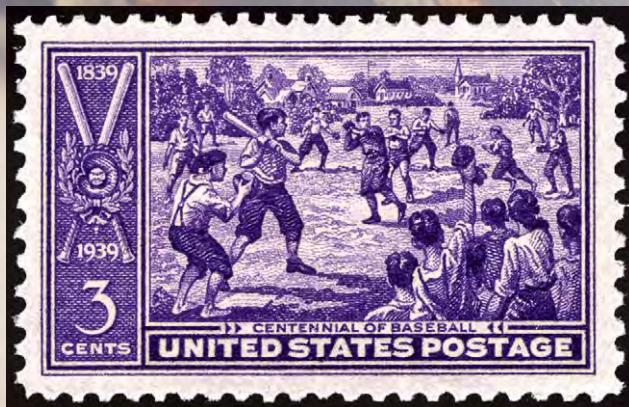
The Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York is replete with the game's relics: bats, gloves, baseballs, and uniforms, valuable less for themselves than for the events and players they recall. Postage stamps cannot equal their evocative power, but a memorable moment captured, or a bygone hero freshly remembered, can conjure up dormant images, ignite our imagination, and open a lane to the past.

Counting from our first commemorative baseball stamp, the Baseball Centennial issue of 1939 with its portrayal of a sand-lot pickup ballgame, the United States has issued sixty stamps devoted to individual players and various aspects of the game. We classify these issues as either generic, celebrating an aspect of baseball not involving a particular player, or specific, devoted to an individual, most often a player.

Generic Baseball Stamps

Let me begin with a consideration of three groups of generic baseball stamps: individual commemoratives; baseball stamps in the Celebrate the Century series (1998–2000); and the ten stamps of the Legendary Playing Fields issue of 2001.

The first U.S. baseball stamp appeared in 1939 under the aegis of James Farley, Postmaster General in the cabinet of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and a lifelong baseball fan.¹ The stamp was issued in conjunction



The first baseball stamp: Centennial of Baseball, Scott 855, issued 1939.

You gotta be a man to
play baseball for a living,
but you gotta have a lot of
little boy in you, too.

— Roy Campanella

with the dedication of the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown and the “Centennial of Baseball.” There is no doubt that the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum was dedicated in 1939, but the contention that the game of baseball was “invented” in 1839 by Abner Doubleday in Cooperstown is a pious myth that has been convincingly debunked.

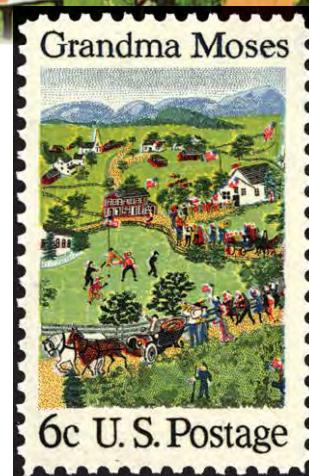
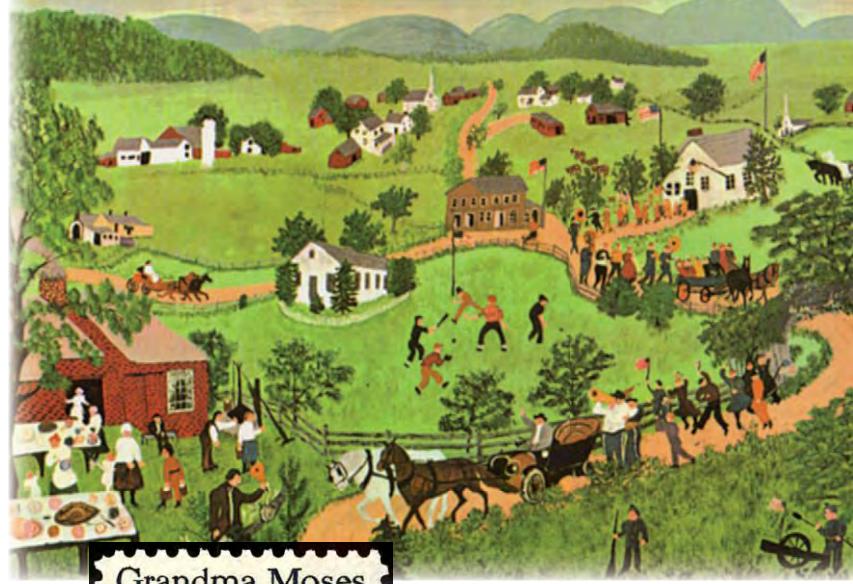
The tale was promulgated in 1908 by the Mills Commission, a committee formed at the initiative of sporting goods magnate Albert Spalding. However, modern research demonstrates that baseball evolved over many years from various English and American precursors such as cricket, rounders, town ball, and stool ball.² Abner Doubleday played no role in this process. In fact, as far back as 1791 an ordinance in Pittsfield, Massachusetts prohibited the playing of “base ball” or “any game or games with a ball” within a distance of eighty yards “for the preservation of the windows in the new Meeting House.” Of course, we don’t know how this “base ball” was played; many variants were used in the Northeast over several generations.

The evolution of the modern game is easier to follow than the game’s origin, and can be traced in part to rules devised by the Knickerbocker Club in New York in 1845. In 1846 the Knickerbockers played a game against the New York Nine at the Elysian Fields in Hoboken, New Jersey, which is often cited as the first organized game between two clubs.

An “incidental” baseball stamp, issued in 1969, is *July Fourth*. It reproduces a painting by the American folk artist Grandma Moses (Anna Mary Robertson, 1860–1961). Close inspection of this rural town scene reveals a baseball game with spectators in the stamp’s center. There is unspoken history here, for challenge matches between town teams were precursors of the professional rivalries that characterize the contemporary game.

Indeed, in 1969 the Post Office also issued a stamp in honor of the centennial of professional baseball. Once again, however, the dating and anointing of the centennial are ambiguous. It is true that the 1869 Cincinnati Red Stockings were a professional team, with a payroll of \$9,300 and players recruited from teams in Washington, New York, and Philadelphia — as well as Indiana and Ohio. That year the Red Stockings undertook a road trip that covered “nearly twelve thousand miles from Boston to San Francisco and seemingly all points in between, playing at least sixty-four games and losing not a single one.”³ In fact, counting the final eight games of 1868 and the first twenty-four games of 1870, the Red Stockings won eighty-nine games in a row before losing 8–7 in extra innings to the Brooklyn Atlantics in June 1870.

Nevertheless, there were teams before the Red Stockings who paid some of their players, charged admission, and went on tours. In 1859 an English cricket team toured the United States and, in imitation, the Brooklyn Excelsior (baseball) Club



July Fourth by “Grandma Moses” includes a baseball game, Scott 1370, issued 1969.



Above: Centennial of Professional Baseball, Scott 1381, issued 1969. Right: Photo of Boston Red Stocking player from 1875.

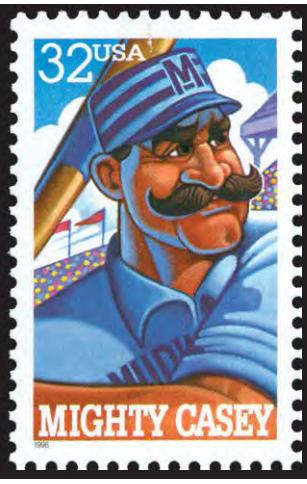




Olympic Baseball, Scott 2619, issued 1992.

toured a number of eastern cities in 1860, including Albany, Troy, Buffalo, Philadelphia, Washington, and Baltimore. The Civil War diminished baseball clubs and reduced touring, but after peace returned in 1865, baseball expanded and traveling teams proliferated, including a tour by the Washington Nationals in 1867. Thus, the Cincinnati Red Stockings were not the first professional team, although they were perhaps the most thoroughly and openly professional of the early baseball teams.

Recognition of Olympic Baseball was afforded by an issue of 1992. Although exhibition and demonstration baseball had been played at the Olympic games for some time, it was first given medal status at the 1992 Barcelona Olympics, where Cuba won the gold medal. The United States took the gold in baseball only once, in the 2000 Sydney games; Cuba won three times and South Korea once. The players have been required to be amateurs and this has excluded the most gifted U.S. athletes. Sadly, the Olympic baseball stamp seems to have been issued prematurely; the International Olympic Committee voted to drop baseball (and softball) from the 2012 London Olympics (and thereafter), perhaps because the best baseball players worldwide



Mighty Casey of "Casey at the Bat" written by Ernest L. Thayer in 1888, Scott 3083, issued 1996.

are professionals and do not participate in the Olympics.

Two icons of baseball folklore also have been honored with a postage stamp: Mighty Casey of "Casey at the Bat" and the rousing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame." The Mighty Casey stamp is one of four stamps in the Folk Heroes issue (the other three are Paul Bunyan, John Henry, and Pecos Bill), and recalls Ernest Lawrence Thayer's mock heroic baseball poem, first published in *The San Francisco Examiner* in 1888. The poem was popularized through stage readings by William DeWolf Hopper, who estimated that he performed it "thousands" of times in the decade following its publication, including a performance in one of the first "talkies," made in 1922. The story of the Mudville Nine and their fearsome slugger

Casey is now an ineradicable component of baseball lore, and its denouement, Casey's dramatic strikeout, reminds us that even the most dominant athlete cannot succeed every time. "There is no joy in Mudville" has become a common refrain for the gloom that is too often the lot of home team fans. (Readers with Internet access may enjoy listening to a 1909 recording of "Casey" by Hopper at www.youtube.com/watch?v=1G2HN_1DRUo or at www.baseball-almanac.com/poetry/po_case.shtml.)

"Take Me Out to the Ballgame," written by Jack Norworth and Albert Von Tilzer in 1908, has become the anthem of baseball, sung during the seventh inning stretch at most major league ballparks. The original song concerns Katie Casey (Mighty Casey's daughter?) who asks her boyfriend to take her out to the ballgame. The song's verses are ignored today, but its catchy chorus appears to be a permanent addition to baseball culture. The stamp features a portrait of a ballplayer drawn in the style of early twentieth-century baseball trading cards and celebrates the centennial of the song. Indeed, the musical notation on the stamp renders the first six notes of the chorus.

There is also a baseball entry in the set of four stamps devoted to youth team sports issued in 2000 (the other three sports are soccer, basketball, and football).

A se-tenant pair represents a tribute to Negro League Baseball issued in 2010. Together, the two stamps comprise a single ballpark panorama featuring a close play at home plate, with the umpire signaling "Safe." Superimposed on the right-hand stamp is a portrait of Rube Foster (1879–1930), regarded as the "father" of the Negro Leagues. With the complete exclusion of African Americans from organized baseball after 1890, black players formed their own professional teams. Andrew "Rube" Foster, who began as a pitcher with the Cuban Z-Giants, joined the (Chicago)



"Take Me Out to the Ballgame" written by Jack Norworth and Albert Von Tilzer in 1908, Scott 3431, issued 2008.



One of four stamps devoted to youth team sports recognizes the game of baseball, Scott 3402, issued 2000.



Left: Se-tenant honoring Negro League Baseball, Scott 4465–4466, issued 2010.

Below: Kansas City Monarchs won four National Negro League pennants and in 1924 defeated the Hilldale Club in the first Negro World Series.

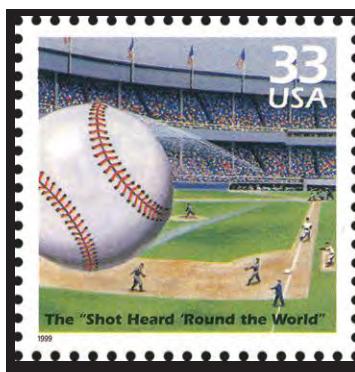
Leland Giants in 1907 as manager, building his team into a dominant force in black baseball. Later, he was instrumental in the 1920 founding of the Negro National League, of which he was named president.

In-fighting among competing owners led to short-lived clubs and rival leagues, but Negro League baseball flourished through the mid-1940s. Its demise began with the integration of major league baseball engineered by the Brooklyn Dodgers' visionary president Branch Rickey, who signed Jackie Robinson from the Kansas City Monarchs in 1945 to play with Montreal, the Dodgers' triple-A International League farm team. After a phenomenal 1946 season at Montreal, Robinson broke the major league color line with Brooklyn in 1947, winning Rookie of the Year honors. Thereafter, the most talented black players were recruited from Negro League teams, greatly enriching major league baseball and ultimately dooming the Negro Leagues. Unforgettable stars such as Larry Doby, Roy Campanella, Monte Irvin, Willie Mays, Satchel Paige, Ernie Banks, Hank Aaron, and Don Newcombe got their starts in black baseball, but achieved fame in the major leagues after Robinson's pioneering campaign.

From 1998 to 2000, the USPS issued ten sheets of stamps celebrating memorable events and personalities of the twentieth century. Each Celebrate the Century sheet contained fifteen stamps and was devoted to a specific decade, beginning with the 1900s and ending with the 1990s. Of the resulting 150 stamps, seven were devoted to baseball; four of these were generic, three others recalling Babe Ruth, Jackie Robinson, and Roger Maris will be described below.



The first World Series was played in 1903 between the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Boston Americans, Scott 3182n, issued 1998.



The "Shot Heard Round the World" refers to the home run hit by Bobby Thomson to win the 1951 National League pennant, Scott 3187c, issued 1999.

The first baseball stamp in the Celebrate the Century series commemorates the first World Series, played in 1903 between the Pittsburgh Pirates of the National League and the Boston Americans of the American League. The best five of nine games series was won by Boston, rallying from a 3-1 deficit to win the final four games. Cy Young won two games and lost one for Boston, while Honus Wagner under-performed for Pittsburgh. The series originated in a challenge issued by Barney Dreyfuss, owner of the Pirates; it was not arranged by the competing leagues. In fact, the upstart American League, formed in 1901, had been raiding the older National League for star players, and the resulting feud was only settled in 1903 with the formation of the National Commission to preside over major league baseball. Note the 1900s style uniform on the representative ballplayer.

Full disclosure: Having grown up an ardent Dodgers fan in Brooklyn, the next two stamps illustrated carry a very personal significance. The "Shot Heard Round the World" refers to the home run hit by Bobby Thomson to win the 1951 National

League pennant. Although the Dodgers had been 13½ games ahead of the New York Giants as late as August 11, their lead shrank continually when the Giants went on an incredible hot streak, ending the season on September 20 tied with the Dodgers for first place. A three-game playoff ensued and the teams split the first two games, precipitating a winner-take-all deciding contest. The Dodgers led 4-1 going into the bottom of the ninth at the Polo Grounds, but the Giants rallied, cutting the score to 4-2 and bringing up Bobby Thomson with two men on and one out. The Dodgers brought in Ralph Branca to face Thomson; the rest is history — Thomson hit the “shot heard round the world,” the most famous “walk-off” homer in baseball history, worth three runs and bringing the Giants a 5-4 victory and the pennant. Our family physician, who was making house calls in his automobile while listening to the play-by-play on the radio, plowed into a telephone pole. I know just how he felt!

In the 1950s, the Yankees dominated the American League while the Dodgers dominated the National League. As a result, they met four times in the World Series: 1952, 1953, 1955, and 1956. (They also met three times in the 1940s: 1941, 1947, and 1949.) The Celebrate the Century 1950s stamp features pins representing each team and a 15-cent New York



The Yankees and Dodgers met four times in the World Series in the 1950s, Scott 3187j, issued 1999.

City subway token, which recalls that these Yankee-Dodger contests were “subway series” games, with fans using the subway to commute between the Bronx and Brooklyn.

The games were hotly contested, and four of the series went the full seven games, but the Dodgers won only in 1955. Every time they lost, Dodgers fans recited their historic mantra: “Wait ‘till next year!” When they finally won in 1955, the New York newspapers proclaimed “This is Next Year.” When they lost in 1956, the wags rubbed it in with “Wait ‘till last year.” Fans who grew up in

the fifties, when New York was “the capital of baseball,” have remembered those World Series all their lives.⁴

The 1990s Celebrate the Century series included a stamp recognizing “New Baseball Records.” After the baseball strike of 1994 wiped out the latter part of the regular season and the entire post season, baseball fans were in a sour mood, and 1995 attendance duly suffered. However, a remarkable confluence of important new records recaptured the fans’ interest and restored baseball’s hold on the collective imagination.

On September 6, 1995, Cal Ripkin Jr. of the Baltimore Orioles played in his 2,131st consecutive game, surpassing Lou Gehrig’s record of 2,130 games set between 1925 and 1939. Ripkin continued his streak until 1998, bringing the final total to 2,632 games. Also in 1998, Kerry Wood of the Chicago Cubs pitched a one-hit twenty-strikeout shutout against the Houston Astros, tying Roger Clemens’ record of twenty strikeouts in a nine-inning game.

Finally, the 1998 season featured a race between Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals and Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs to break Roger Maris’ 1961 record of sixty-one home runs in a single season. The McGwire-Sosa race was avidly followed on national television and, in the end, both players bettered Maris’ mark, with McGwire hitting seventy homers and Sosa sixty-six. In retrospect, however, their remarkable achievements have been darkened by the likelihood that both players used performance-enhancing drugs.

In 2001 the USPS issued a sheet of twenty stamps featuring ten of Baseball’s Legendary Playing Fields. Fenway Park in Boston (1912) and Wrigley Field in Chicago (1914) are the



The 1990s Celebrate the Century series included a stamp recognizing “New Baseball Records” from that decade, Scott 3191a, issued 2000.



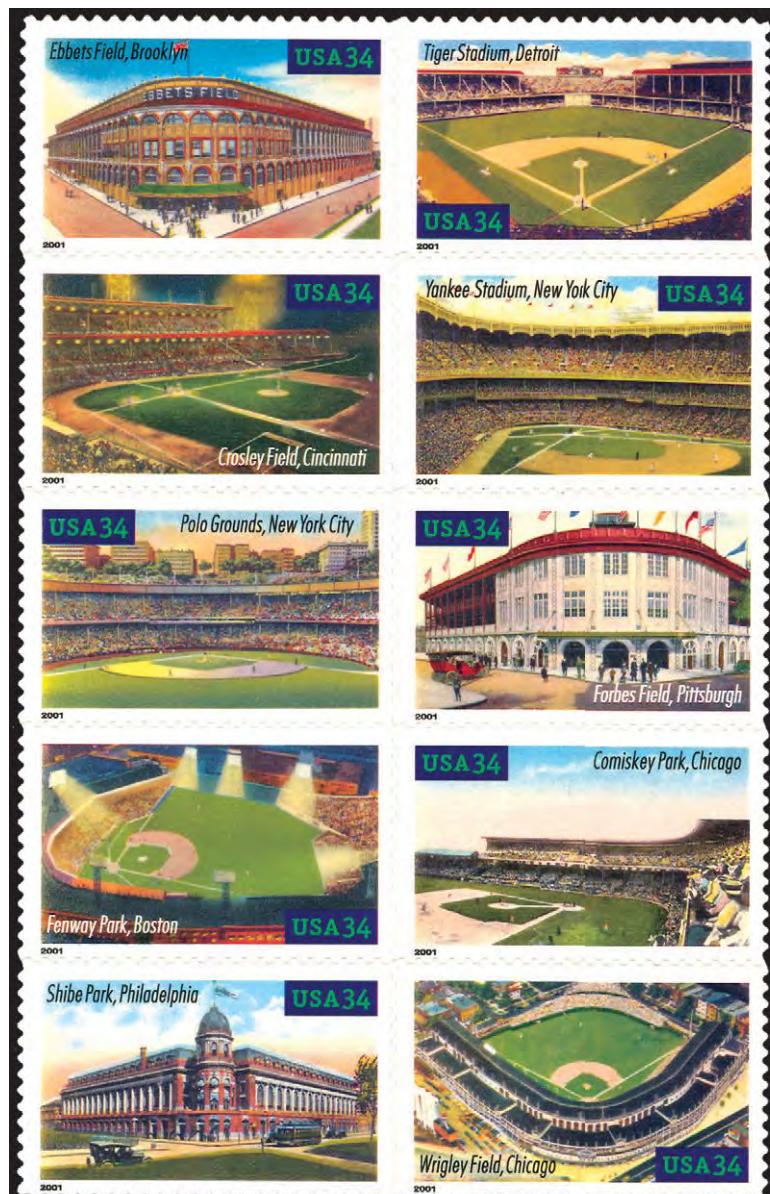
Cal Ripkin Jr. breaks Lou Gehrig’s record

only two of these parks that are still in use and, like many of the early twentieth-century ballparks, they are original, idiosyncratic, and charming: Fenway with its 37-foot high “Green Monster” left field wall, and Wrigley with its ivy-covered outfield walls and unpredictable winds. The other eight venues have, alas, vanished. Among these, three represented New York City baseball in the fifties at the height of its dominance of the game: Ebbets Field in Brooklyn (Brooklyn Dodgers, 1913–1957), the (fourth) Polo Grounds (New York Giants, 1911–1957), and Yankee Stadium (New York Yankees, 1923–2008).

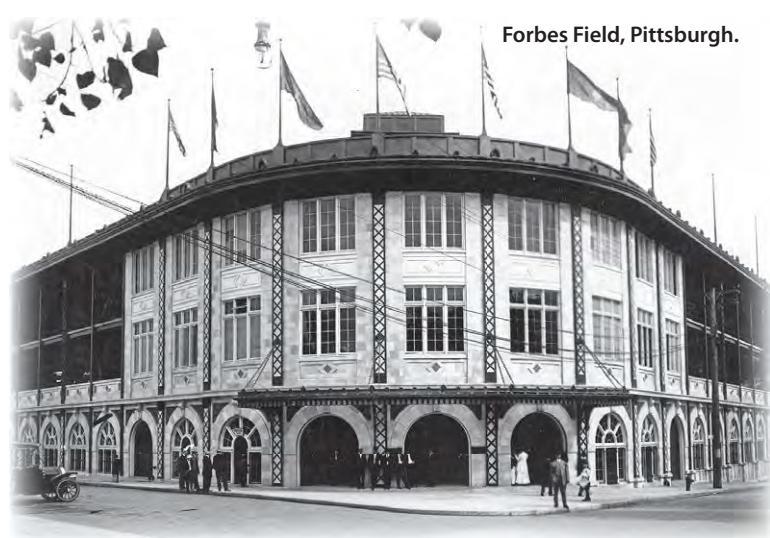
Ebbets Field with its rotunda, intimate dimensions, passionate fans, and inimitable team occupies a permanent place in baseball lore. As the site of Jackie Robinson’s debut and the integration of major league baseball (1947), Ebbets also was a proving ground for American civil rights. None of these virtues saved it from the wreckers when the Dodgers deserted Brooklyn after the 1957 season for the lucre of Los Angeles. The simultaneous and collusive move of the New York Giants to San Francisco shuttered the Polo Grounds (site of Bobby Thomson’s epic homer), with its distinctive horseshoe shape and near-infinite center field where Willie Mays outran many long drives. The Polo Grounds was resuscitated briefly as the first home of the New York Mets (1962–1963), before being razed in 1964.

The original Yankee Stadium, “the House that Ruth Built,” opened in 1923. Before that, the Yankees shared the Polo Grounds with the Giants (1913–1922), but Babe Ruth hit so many home runs down the short right-field line (258 feet) that the Yankees began to outdraw the Giants, and moved to their palatial eponymous stadium in 1923. A new Yankee Stadium opened in 2009, replacing the original but retaining many design elements for the sake of continuity.

The wooden ballparks of the early 1900s often burned down. Shibe Park (later Connie Mack Stadium) in Philadelphia was the first concrete and steel venue (1909–1970) and served both the Philadelphia Phillies and the Philadelphia Athletics. It set the tone for such successors as Ebbets Field and Fenway Park. Comiskey Park (1910–1990) was the home of the Chicago White Sox. Also a “modern” concrete and steel edifice, it was the site of the “Black Sox” scandal of 1919, when eight White Sox players connived to throw games to the Cincinnati Reds during the World Series for money offered by New York gamblers.



Baseball's Legendary Playing Fields: Ebbets Field, Tiger Stadium, Crosley Field, Yankee Stadium, Polo Grounds, Forbes Field, Fenway Park, Comiskey Park, Shibe Park, and Wrigley Field, Scott 3510–3519, issued 2001.



Forbes Field, Pittsburgh.

Baseball Players on U.S. Postage Stamps

Name	Scott No. (Year)	Principal Team	Position	Years Active
Roy Campanella	4080 (2006)	Dodgers	Catcher	1948–1957
Ty Cobb	3408d (2000)	Tigers	Center Field/Right Field	1905–1928
Mickey Cochrane	3408g (2000)	Athletics	Catcher	1925–1937
Eddie Collins	3408b (2000)	White Sox	Second Base	1906–1930
Roberto Clemente	2097 (1984) 3408j (2000)	Pirates	Right Field	1955–1972
Dizzy Dean	3408s (2000)	Cardinals	Pitcher	1930–1947
Joe DiMaggio	4697 (2012)	Yankees	Center Field	1936–1951
Larry Doby	4695 (2012)	Indians	Outfield	1947–1959
Jimmie Foxx	3408n (2000)	Athletics	First Base	1925–1945
Lou Gehrig	2417 (1989) 3408t (2000)	Yankees	First Base	1923–1939
Josh Gibson	3408r (2000)	Negro Leagues	Catcher	1930–1941
Hank Greenberg	4081 (2006)	Tigers	First Base	1930–1947
Lefty Grove	3408k (2000)	Athletics	Pitcher	1925–1941
Rogers Hornsby	3408f (2000)	Cardinals	Second Base	1915–1937
Walter Johnson	3408i (2000)	Senators	Pitcher	1907–1927
Mickey Mantle	4083 (2006)	Yankees	Center Field	1951–1968
Roger Maris	3188n (1999)	Yankees	Right Field	1957–1968
Christy Mathewson	3408c (2000)	Giants	Pitcher	1900–1916
Mel Ott	4082 (2006)	Giants	Right Field/ Third Base	1927–1947
Satchel Paige	3408p (2000)	Indians	Pitcher	1948–1953
Jackie Robinson	2016 (1982) 3186c (1999) 3408a (2000)	Dodgers	Second Base/ Third Base	1947–1956
Babe Ruth	2046 (1983) 3184a (1998) 3408h (2000)	Yankees	Outfield/ Pitcher	1914–1935
George Sisler	3408e (2000)	Browns	First Base	1915–1930
Tris Speaker	3408l (2000)	Red Sox, Indians	Center Field	1907–1928
Willie Stargell	4696 (2012)	Pirates	Outfield	1962–1982
Jim Thorpe	2089 (1984) 3183g (1998)	Giants	Outfield	1913–1918
Pie Traynor	3408o (2000)	Pirates	Third Base	1920–1937
Honus Wagner	3408q (2000)	Pirates	Shortstop	1897–1917
Ted Williams	4694 (2012)	Red Sox	Left Field	1939–1960
Cy Young	3408m (2000)	Indians, Red Sox	Pitcher	1890–1911

Legends of Baseball



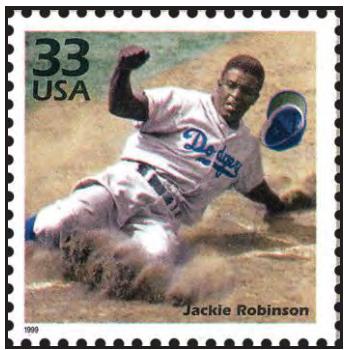
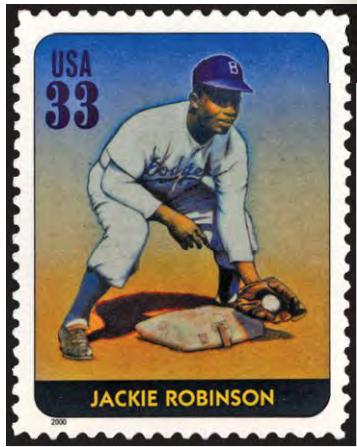
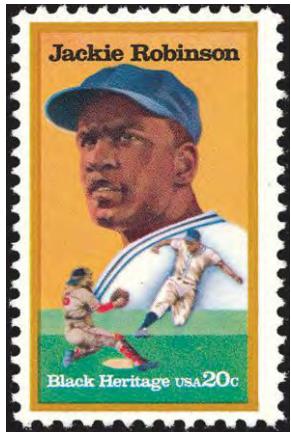
Sheet of twenty stamps honoring baseball players recognized as *Legends of Baseball*: Jackie Robinson, Eddie Collins, Christy Mathewson, Ty Cobb, George Sisler, Rogers Hornsby, Mickey Cochrane, Babe Ruth, Walter Johnson, Roberto Clemente, Lefty Grove, Tris Speaker, Cy Young, Jimmie Foxx, Pie Traynor, Satchel Paige, Honus Wagner, Josh Gibson, Dizzy Dean, and Lou Gehrig, Scott 3408a-t, issued 2000.

The final three venues in the set are Tiger Stadium (Detroit Tigers, 1912–1999), Crosley Field (Cincinnati Reds, 1912–1970), and Forbes Field (Pittsburgh Pirates, 1909–1971). Tiger Stadium (earlier Briggs Stadium and Navin Field) was the scene of the many triumphs of Ty Cobb and Hank Greenberg. Crosley Field hosted the first night game (1935) and the Cincinnati Reds, under Larry MacPhail, hired Red Barber in 1934 to broadcast their games on the radio. When MacPhail moved on to the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1939, he brought Barber along with him. Barber and his southern locations ("sittin' in the catbird seat") became renowned in Brooklyn and to radio listeners everywhere the

signal would reach. On a hot summer's day, long before the air conditioner era, one could walk along a Brooklyn street catching Barber's call from every open window on the block, while not missing a play. Lastly, Forbes Field in Pittsburgh was the arena for the great Pirate teams of Honus Wagner, Pie Traynor, Roberto Clemente, and Willie Stargell.

Specific Baseball Stamps

There have been thirty-seven issues featuring baseball players, but we must remember that the USPS does not portray living individuals on stamps, so that great players like Sandy Koufax, Willie Mays, and Stan Musial are absent. The



Jackie Robinson (1919–1972), Brooklyn Dodgers, Scott 2016, issued 1982; Scott 3408a, issued 2000; Scott 3186c, issued 1999.



Babe Ruth (1895–1948), Yankees (Scott 2046, issued 1983; Scott 3184a, issued 1998; Scott 3408h, issued 2000).



postal gallery of all-stars is skewed toward earlier generations and the players who inhabit the tall corn in *Field of Dreams*. Table I lists the thirty baseball players who have appeared on U.S. stamps.

While there isn't space to comment on all of them, I would like to mention some of these outstanding stars. In particular, Honus Wagner, Tris Speaker, George Sisler, Walter Johnson, Eddie Collins, and Cy Young were among the first inductees of the Baseball Hall of Fame. Then there are Josh Gibson, the great slugging catcher, and Satchel Paige, the nonpareil pitcher, whose careers were largely confined to the Negro Leagues. For them, and for so many others, integration of major league baseball came too late. Bill Veeck did bring Paige to Cleveland in mid-1948, and the 42-year-old "rookie" compiled a 6-1 record with a 2.48 Earned Run Average (ERA), helping the Indians win the American League pennant. In his twenty-two years as a pitcher in the Negro League, Paige acquired impressive stats such as sixty-four consecutive scoreless innings, twenty-one straight wins, and a remarkable 31-4 record in 1933. He played in the majors for only six years before retiring at age 47. Joe DiMaggio called him "the best and fastest pitcher I've ever faced." These players all appear on the twenty-stamp Legends of Baseball sheet issued in 2000.

The individuals listed in Table I are mainly position players; only six of the thirty are pitchers. Still, it's not a bad rotation with Dizzy Dean (150 wins-83 losses), Lefty Grove (300-141), Walter Johnson (417-279), Christy Mathewson (373-188), Satchel Paige, and Cy Young (511-316). Perhaps the USPS might consider a block of four of other "Marvelous Moundsmen," featuring, for example, Warren Spahn (363-245) Carl Hubbell (253-154), Bob Feller (266-162), and Don Drysdale (209-166). Appropriate, too, would be a commemorative in honor of Branch Rickey (1881–1965), the driving force behind the integration of major league baseball, and the creator of its farm team system.

Five individuals have been honored with more than one postage stamp: Jackie Robinson, Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig, Roberto Clemente, and Jim Thorpe.

Jackie Robinson was the first modern (post-1900) African-American major league baseball player, joining the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947 and winning Rookie of the Year honors. He endured verbal abuse, knockdown pitches, and attempted spikings, but

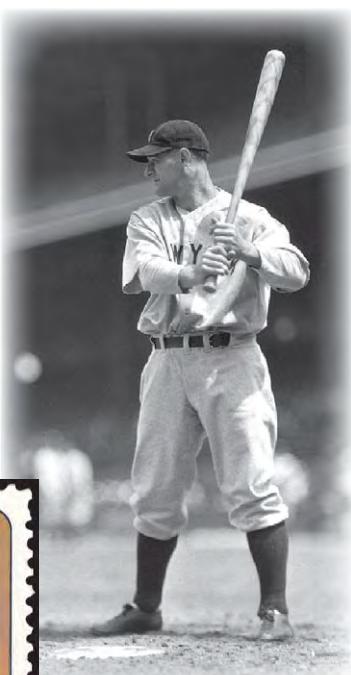
helped lead his team to the 1947 World Series. In 1949 he was the National League's Most Valuable Player (MVP), as the Dodgers again won the pennant. He was the spirit and animating force of the great "Boys of Summer" Brooklyn teams who finally won the World Series in 1955. At bat, on the bases, and in the field, Robbie was excitement personified. He retired after the 1956 season. A six-time All-Star, he was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1962. Over the years, the enormity of his impact on baseball, sports in general, and the wider dimensions of civil rights came to be generally appreciated. He was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1984 and the Congressional Gold Medal in 2005. In 1997 Major League Baseball permanently retired Robinson's number 42.

Babe Ruth was a superb pitcher for the Boston Red Sox, with a cumulative six-year record of 89-46 and a 2.19 ERA. He was undefeated in the World Series of 1916 and 1918, going 3-0 with an ERA of 0.87! Nevertheless, it is as a slugging outfielder for the Yankees (1920–1934) that he ushered in the modern baseball power game, with a .349 batting average and 659 home runs, including sixty in 1927, a record that stood until 1961. He became the most celebrated athlete of his era, changed the nature of the game, and attracted huge crowds first to the Polo Grounds and, after 1923, to Yankee Stadium. It does seem appropriate that Ruth appears on an individual commemorative, as part of the Celebrate the Century 1920s series, and as one of the players on the Legends of Baseball stamp sheet.

Lou Gehrig teamed with Babe Ruth in the Yankee's fearsome offense. From 1925 through 1938, the "Iron Horse" played in 2,130 consecutive games, a record of durability that stood until 1995, when it was surpassed by Cal Ripken Jr. Gehrig's batting statistics are extraordinary, leading the American League in runs scored four times, in home runs three times, and in Runs Batted In (RBIs) five times. In seven seasons he had 150 or more RBIs, in six seasons his batting average was .350 or better, and in five seasons he surpassed forty home runs. However, he is remembered as much for the manner of his death as for his splendid career.

By 1939 he had lost his power, stamina, and wonderful coordination; in June of that year he was diagnosed at the Mayo Clinic with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, now commonly called "Lou Gehrig's disease," an incurable, progressive, and paralytic malady of the nervous system. Indeed, Gehrig died just two years later, in June 1941, aged 37. What history recalls most vividly, however, is his farewell speech, delivered on July 4, 1939 at Yankee Stadium, when he told the crowd:

Fans, for the past two weeks you have been reading about the bad break I got. Yet today I consider myself the luckiest man on the face of the earth.



Lou Gehrig (1903–1941),
Yankees, Scott 2417, issued
1989; Scott 3408t, issued
2000.



Roberto Clemente (1934–1972),
Pirates, Scott 2097, issued 1984;
Scott 3408j, issued 2008.



Jim Thorpe (1888–1953),
Giants, Scott 2089, issued
1984; Scott 3183g, issued
1998.



It is difficult to imagine a more apposite example of Hemingway's definition of courage as "grace under pressure."

There is a similar melancholy resonance in the career of **Roberto Clemente**, the great Puerto Rican outfielder of the Pittsburgh Pirates, who also appears on both a commemorative stamp and in the Legends series. Clemente, the first Hispanic player to be elected to the Hall of Fame, played for the Pirates from 1955 to 1972. He was a fifteen time All-Star, won twelve Gold Gloves, led the National League in batting four times, and won MVP honors in 1966. He led the Pirates to World Series titles in 1960 and 1971.

Clemente was first signed by the Brooklyn Dodgers organization in 1954, and was on the roster of their triple-A farm team in Montreal when he was scouted by Clyde Sukeforth on behalf of Branch Rickey. Rickey had been forced out of Brooklyn by Walter O'Malley in 1950, and moved to Pittsburgh, taking coach Sukeforth with him. Rickey obtained Clemente for Pittsburgh on Sukeforth's enthusiastic recommendation.

The delightful symmetry here is that the Sukeforth-Rickey tandem, which scouted and signed Jackie Robinson for the Dodgers in 1945, repeated the trick nine years later for the Pirates with Clemente. The sad resonance, however, is Clemente's death in an airplane crash on the last day of 1972 while he was flying to Nicaragua on a relief mission, following a devastating earthquake in Managua.

Jim Thorpe has been honored with both a commemorative issue and an appearance in the Celebrate the Century 1910s series, but although he played six seasons in major

league baseball (primarily for the New York Giants and the Cincinnati Reds), in neither of these stamps is he shown wearing a baseball uniform. Thorpe, a Native American, was one of America's greatest athletes. An All-American football player for Carlisle College in 1911 and 1912, Thorpe also won gold medals in the pentathlon and decathlon at the 1912 Stockholm Olympics. President Dwight Eisenhower, who played against Thorpe for West Point in 1912, said of him in 1961 that "he could do anything better than any other football player I ever saw." Nevertheless, despite his great accomplishments in track and football, and despite the fact that he loved the game itself, Thorpe was only an average baseball player. Appropriately, the stamps honoring him portray the great athlete in a football uniform and as an Olympian.

In addition to the Celebrate the Century and Legends of Baseball series, the USPS has issued two other sets of stamps devoted to baseball players. These are the 2006 Baseball Sluggers and the 2012 Baseball All-Stars. Each set includes four portraits of baseball greats. The Baseball Sluggers features Roy Campanella, Hank Greenberg, Mel Ott, and Mickey Mantle in designs that resemble baseball cards of the forties and fifties. There is a nice contrast here to the Legends series in which the designs evoke older baseball cards of the 1900s–1920s.

Roy Campanella was an early pioneer of integrated major league baseball, brought to the Brooklyn Dodgers by Branch Rickey only a year after the debut of Jackie Robinson. "Campy" was a peerless defensive catcher, a mainstay of the great "Boys of Summer" Dodger teams of the 1950s, a three-time National League MVP, and a redoubtable hitter who once held the single season home run record for a catcher (forty-one homers). His career was ended tragically by an automobile accident that left him a quadriplegic.

Hank Greenberg, one of two Jewish players in the Hall of Fame (the other is Sandy Koufax), experienced much anti-Semitic prejudice in the insular baseball world of 1930–1947. Playing mainly for the Detroit Tigers, "Hammerin' Hank" was one of the greatest hitting first basemen, leading the American League in home runs and RBIs four times each, and twice named MVP. He hit fifty-eight homers in 1938, mounting a serious challenge to Babe Ruth's record. He later said, "I came to feel that if I, as a Jew, hit a home run, I was hitting one against Hitler." From December 1941 to mid-1945, Greenberg served in the Air Force. He returned to lead the Tigers to the American League pennant (and the World Series title), clinching the pennant with a grand slam home run in the ninth inning of the season's final game.

Mel Ott ("Master Melvin") was a superb hitter for the New York Giants. With 511 home runs, he was the first National League player to surpass 500 homers, and he was a

twelve-time All-Star. **Mickey Mantle** was the power center of the Yankees for eighteen years, and a worthy successor to Joe DiMaggio in center field. He won baseball's Triple Crown in 1956, leading the American League in *batting average, home runs, and RBIs*. A three-time MVP and twenty-time All-Star, he played in twelve World Series with the Yankees and holds Series career records for home runs, RBIs, runs, walks, and total bases. In 1961 Mantle and his fellow Yankee outfielder, **Roger Maris**, mounted a sustained attack on Babe Ruth's single season home run record. Maris, who appears in the Celebrate the Century 1960s set of stamps, broke the record with sixty-one homers; Mantle (who was injured) finished the season with fifty-four round-trippers.

The most recent baseball issue by the USPS, Baseball All-Stars, features Ted Williams, Larry Doby, Willie Stargell, and Joe DiMaggio. The stamp design shows the individual players in batting position, but the backgrounds are uniformly dark, as if a night game were in progress.

Ted Williams, perhaps the greatest pure hitter of modern baseball, was the last player to bat over .400 in a season (.406 in 1941). Williams led the American League in batting six times, won the Triple Crown twice, was voted MVP twice, and was selected for the All-Star team nineteen times. He served in both World War II and in Korea as a Marine pilot. Some of Williams' attributes can be found in the character of Roy Hobbs in *The Natural*, Bernard Malamud's 1952 novel. Williams' expressed desire to have people see him and say "there goes the greatest hitter who ever lived," is echoed by Hobbs and, in the 1984 film version, Robert Redford, as Hobbs, wears jersey No. 9 in honor of Williams. Hobbs, like the real-life Williams, hits a home run his last time at bat. For Williams this occurred September 28, 1960 at the end of a 21-year career.

Joe DiMaggio was both a consummate center fielder and a superb hitter. His 1941 record of hitting safely in fifty-six



Baseball Sluggers: Roy Campanella, Hank Greenberg, Mel Ott, and Mickey Mantle, Scott 4080–4083, issued 2006.



Roger Maris (1934–1985), Yankees (Scott 3188n, issued 1999).

consecutive games still stands and, in the opinion of many experts, is unlikely to be broken in our era of specialty relief pitchers and overpowering closers. "The Yankee Clipper" was an All-Star in each of his thirteen seasons with the Yankees, and was a three-time MVP. During his years with the club (1936–1951), the Yankees won ten pennants and nine World Series. DiMaggio was succeeded as the Yankee's center fielder by Mickey Mantle.

Willie Stargell was the heart and soul of the Pittsburgh Pirates World Series championship teams of 1971 and 1979. He played his entire 21-year career with the Pirates, compiling 2,232 hits and 475 home runs. One of the greatest power hitters in baseball history, he was known for his soaring, long-distance home runs, at one time holding the records for the longest home run in nearly half of the National League ballparks. In a 1979 game in Montreal, Stargell hit the ball so far that the seat where it finally landed was painted gold in honor of his feat. Stargell died on the opening day of the Pirate's new home at PNC Park; a twelve-foot bronze statue of "Pops" now greets people arriving for ballgames.

Larry Doby was the first African American to play in the American League, debuting with the Cleveland Indians in 1947. Branch Rickey initially had scouted Doby for the Dodgers but recommended him to Bill Veeck of the Indians, desiring to see the American League integrated. Doby was a fine center fielder, a seven-time All-Star, and twice the American League home run leader. He helped Cleveland to the World Series title in 1948, and to an American League championship in 1954, in both cases interrupting runs of Yankee championships.

Conclusion

Baseball is entering its third century. The game and its participants have greatly changed since their beginning in the mists of American history, but baseball plays out in our memory as well as on the diamond. Its elegiac quality is no-



Baseball All-Stars: Ted Williams, Larry Doby, Willie Stargell, and Joe DiMaggio, Scott 4694–4697, issued 2012.

where better captured than in Bart Giamatti's wonderful essay "The Green Fields of the Mind":

It breaks your heart. It is designed to break your heart. The game begins in the spring, when everything else begins again, and it blossoms in the summer, filling the afternoons and evenings, and then as soon as the chill rains come, it stops and leaves you to face the fall alone. You count on it, rely on it to buffer the passage of time, to keep the memory of sunshine and high skies alive, and then just when the days are all twilight, when you need it most, it stops.⁶

How fitting then that U.S. postage stamps, which have done so much to record the American experience, should also recall the American game, helping us recapture the glories of vanished summers.

Note

The American Philatelic Society offers free, downloadable U.S. Baseball stamp album pages at <http://stamps.org/Free-Album-Pages>; just click on "Baseball" under Thematic/Topical albums.

Endnotes

1. Daniel A. Piazza, "Batter Up! Postmaster General Farley & Baseball," *The American Philatelist*, Vol. 123, No. 9 (September 2009): 824–27.
2. John Thorn, *Baseball in the Garden of Eden: The Secret History of the Early Game* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 2011), chapters 1–5.
3. *Ibid.*, page 145.
4. See, for example, Doris Kearns Goodwin, *Wait Till Next Year* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 1997).
5. Edward Epstein, "Two Philatelic Tributes to Jim Thorpe," *The American Philatelist*, Vol. 114, No. 9 (September 2000): 812–816.
6. A. Bartlett Giamatti, "The Green Fields of the Mind," in *The Armchair of Baseball*, John Thorn, editor (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1985), pp. 141f.

The Author

Robert A. Moss is Research Professor and Louis P. Hammett Professor of Chemistry Emeritus at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, New Jersey. A Brooklyn Dodgers fan emeritus, he collects British covers, Channel Islands, Israel, and the Faroe Islands.

QUALITY STAMPS
of the
UNITED STATES

HB Philatelics
Guy Gasser
P.O. Box 2320 • Florissant, MO 63032
Phone (314) 330-8684
E-mail: guy@hbphilatelics.com www.hbphilatelics.com







UNITED STATES POSSESSIONS BRITISH FOREIGN

Lawrence J Mozian
PO Box 5774
Williamsburg, VA 23188
E-mail lmozian@cox.net
Tel (757) 220-2007 • Fax (757) 220-1484
Serving philatelists since 1901



CALL US FIRST ...

We are the Ultimate Source for Selling:

- * Foreign Flights & Catapults
- * Akron/Macon/Airship Covers
- * Pioneers/Gov/Early U.S. Flights
- * WWII Patriotic Covers
- * Graf Zeppelins & Hindenburgs
- * Autographs on U.S. Covers
- * FAMs/CAMs
- * Better Early FDC/Inaugurations
- * Roessler Business/Promotional Covers

Call us to discuss your cover want list!

1-800-332-3383

167 So. River Rd. #3, Bedford, NH 03110 or covers@coverspecialist.com







CONFEDERATE STATES

Full retail stock at csadealer.com

More than 40 years experience

10194 N. Old State Road
Lincoln, DE 19960
Call: 302-422-2656 • Fax: 302-424-1990
E-mail: trishkauf@comcast.net

Member: ASDA • CCNY • RPSL
Life Member: APS • APRL
CSA • USPCS

PATRICIA A. KAUFMANN



BOB PRAGER



Just a Small Sampling of Our New Additions!



GARY POSNER

To Order: 800-323-4279



Scott #355

Mint Line Pair, Graded VF/XF-OG-LH,
"Scarce!" With 2007 PFC (85),
SMQ \$1,450, Our Price: \$1,195



Scott #446

Used Line Pair, "Scarce!" With 1994 PFC,
"Any Genuine Used Coils are super difficult
to locate in any reasonable condition!"
Our Price: \$850



Scott #454

Mint Coil Pair, Graded XF/Sup-OG-NH,
"A beauty!" "One of the best out there!"
With 2013 PSE Cert (95), SMQ \$1,150,
Our Price: \$1,050



Scott #554

Mint Wide Top PB/6, XF/Superb-OG-NH,
"Pristine!" Our Price: \$250



Scott #260

Mint PL# Single,
OG, appears NH,
Beautiful! With
1981 PFC,
Our Price: \$995



Scott #O120

Mint, VF/XF-OG-NH, "Post
Office FRESH!" "Large
margins!" 2006 PSE Cert,
Our Price: \$695

See You at the
ASDA National Postage Stamp Show 2013
New York, NY, Booth #39
October 10-13, 2013

WE'RE BUYING U. S. & FOREIGN!

We are looking for U.S. &
Foreign collections from
\$5,000 to \$5 million.

Call Bob Prager (800) 323-4279

We will arrange for
shipping or we can come
to you at your home or vault.

TRY OUR BEST OFFER FEATURE

ON OUR NEW WEBSITE:

www.GaryPosnerInc.com

GARY POSNER, INC.

1407 Avenue Z, PMB 535, Brooklyn, NY 11235 - Cell: 917-538-8133 - www.garyposnerinc.com - GaryPosnerInc@aol.com

'A Recorded Message from Your Man in Service'

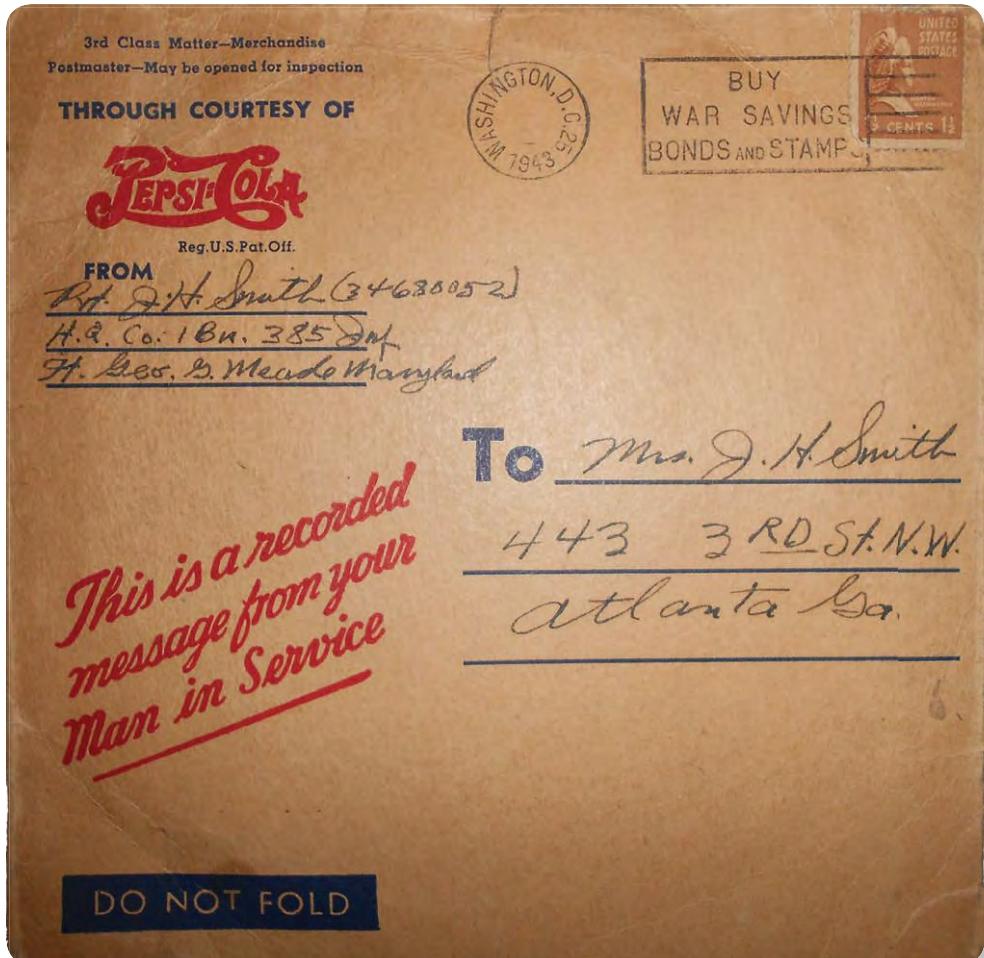
by Steve Swain

During World War II, there were countless letters and postcards mailed to and from U.S. soldiers stationed all over the world. Those correspondences are an excellent written record covering all aspects of the conflict, both on the home front and abroad. But not all communications mailed home by soldiers were in a written format. A unique slice of World War II memorabilia and military postal history are phonographs with recordings of soldiers' personal messages mailed to family or friends. The creation of these phonographs was sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company.

Several years ago, I was rummaging through some boxes containing magazines, postcards, and envelopes in an antiques store on St. Simons Island, Georgia, hoping to discover some additions for my collection. What caught



A small 78 rpm phonograph disk with "A Recorded Message from Your Man in Service."



During World War II, the Pepsi-Cola Company sponsored the creation of phonographs with recordings of a soldier's voice.

Second World War. This allowed a "recorded message from your Man in Service" to be created while they were still in basic training.

The personal recorded message on the disks was introduced with:

Dear friend: Just this minute completed recording the voice of your man in service. You will be happy to know that he is thinking of you and greatly enjoyed sending you this personal message. Cordially Pepsi.

Like most recordable disks, the surface of the Pepsi records was made from acetate. However, as a cost control strategy by Pepsi, the records were not "professionally" created, that is pressed from vinyl. Instead, they were made of cardboard with a thin veneer of acetate. Over the years, the paper absorbed moisture causing it to swell and crack the acetate coating, rendering most of the disks difficult, if not impossible, to play.

But if you would like to listen to a disk that has survived the test of time, visit www.youtube.com and search for "Your Man in Service acetate recordings," to locate several somewhat scratchy but reasonably clear, recordings.

Thus, thanks to a soft drink company, a unique piece of postal history was created.

The Author

Steve Swain has enjoyed all aspects of philately for fifty-five years. His articles have appeared in *The American Philatelist*, *The Philatelic Communicator*, *Stamp Insider*, *The Pennsylvania Postal Historian*, and other stamp publications on a wide range of topics, such as writing for philatelic magazines, the income tax consequences of selling stamp collections, and collecting first day covers.

my eye was a seemingly odd-sized envelope mailed in 1943 from Washington, DC, by Pvt. (Private) J.H. Smith, Ft. Geo. G. Meade, Maryland to Mrs. J.H. Smith, 443 3rd St. N.W., Atlanta, Georgia. The 1½-cent Martha Washington stamp (Scott 805) satisfied the third class matter rate at the time. The distinctive nature of this piece was that it contained a 6½-inch, 78 rpm phonograph record. As stated on the envelope, the disk contained "a recorded message from your Man in Service."

During World War II, the Pepsi-Cola Company operated three canteens, or centers, around the country: one in New York City's Times Square, one in Washington, DC, and one in San Francisco, California. The centers had low-cost sandwich bars with free Pepsi and also offered shaves, showers, and a lounge with reading and writing facilities — all at no cost to service men and women. It was at these canteens that millions of service men and women recorded audio letters during the war years, courtesy of Pepsi-Cola. The reverse of the record had photos of the Pepsi-Cola Center for Service Men and Women, with the message that they were "a central meeting place to leave and receive messages."

Representatives of the Pepsi-Cola Company also brought portable disc recorders to selected U.S. training centers where young soldiers were being prepared for the

The Mystery

by Adam D. Caplan

In early February 2009 a new variety of Israel stamp was born. It was not created for mail use. It was not intended for stamp collectors. It was aimed at children. And its birth created a nightmare for stamp collectors.

The stamp variety is called "Mejujaim." It comes from the word for "contest" in Hebrew. There are eight different stamps in the set, and all eight have been previously issued as definitives: *With Love* (Scott 1523), *Thank You* (Scott 1526), *Mazel Tov* (Scott 1521), *Good Luck* (Scott 1524), *Hugs & Kisses* (Scott 1525), *Beach* (Scott 1692), *Cyclamen Flower* (Scott 1722), and *White Rose* (Scott 1723). However, the new stamps are quite different from the originals. Instead of having water-based gum, these new issues are self-adhesives. They also are rouletted, rather than perforated.

While these differences are significant enough to make the new issue interesting, they are only the beginning. Rather than issuing the stamps in a sheet format with multiple of stamps per sheet, they were issued as part of game pieces for a contest. A single stamp was placed on a game piece, with an attached label and three stickers. The goal of the contest was to have children try to collect all 100 different stickers. The first ten to do so would win a PSP (Playstation Portable). Free game albums were distributed to help facilitate this. (It reminds me of the McDonalds' Monopoly game, except that each game piece came with a stamp valid for postage.)

Of course, it wouldn't be much of a contest if the game pieces were visible to everyone before they were purchased, so they came individually wrapped in foil packages (like baseball cards). These packets were available for sale at post offices for NIS4.90 each. When I visited Israel in June, I was able to visit two separate post offices — one in Jerusalem near my hotel, the other in Ben Gurion Airport. I bought out the entire stock of both post offices, which was a total of fewer than fifty packets. Apparently, the contest had failed

to attract significant interest and was winding down. Or perhaps, it already had been won by some lucky kids. I was never able to find out.

So, why is this issue such a nightmare for stamp collectors? First, the game pieces were only available for sale in post offices, not through the philatelic service. While the philatelic service did eventually make a set of eight panes available to collectors on June 1, 2009, they are different from the ones in the game. The label attached to the stamps on the game pieces resembles the stickers, while the label on the panes from the philatelic service is a generic stamp with a smiley face. When I contacted the philatelic service (both by phone and e-mail), I found they were unaware of the variety available at the post offices, and were unable to provide a way to order them.

Second, the number of stamp and sticker combinations originally available is quite large. But we may never find out how large it actually is, since there is no official list of the combinations. One collector in Israel contacted the company running the contest and found out that the person in charge of the contest was unaware that stamp collectors might have a potential interest in sheets of stamps and labels, and was quite surprised when he learned of it. In theory, there are eight different stamps with 100 possible labels attached to them, and each sheet can have three of the 100 different stickers in any order. As you can see, this would lead to a huge collection. The best data I have today suggests that the label/sticker combinations are fixed, leaving 800 possible sheets. However, according to the project manager, the real number is significantly lower, perhaps twelve to thirteen of each stamp, leaving roughly 100 total combinations.

Third, it is nearly impossible to put together a set of these. This was done intentionally, since the object of the contest was to collect all 100 stickers, and it wouldn't be a very challenging contest if they were all available in equal amounts. However, just as we



Example of the "With Love" stamp sheet (WL 25).

of Mejjuaim



Mazel Tov (Scott 1521).



With Love (Scott 1523).



Good Luck (Scott 1524).



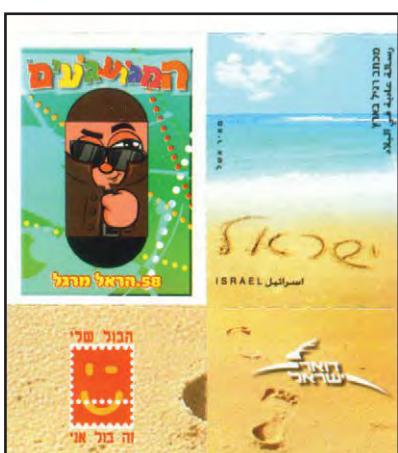
Hugs and Kisses (Scott 1525).



Cyclamen Flower (Scott 1722).



Thank You (Scott 1526).



Beach (Scott 1692).



White Rose (Scott 1723).

Frequency Table

*With Love (WL), Thank You (TY), Mazel Tov (MT), Good Luck (GL),
Hugs and Kisses (HK), Beach or Blue and White (BW), Cyclamen Flower (CF), and White Rose (WR)*

Sticker #	Stamp (no label #)	Stamp (with label #)	Sticker #	Stamp (no label #)	Stamp (with label #)	Sticker #	Stamp (no label #)	Stamp (with label #)
1	—	—	35	—	—	69	—	BW(63)
2	—	HK (13)	36	—	—	70	—	—
3	—	HK (14)	37	—	—	71	—	HK(11) WL(89)
4	BW(PS)	—	38	—	—	72	WF(PS)	HK(13) MT(6)
5	—	—	39	—	HK(15)	73	TY(PS)	—
6	MT	—	40	WL(PS)	HK(13)	74	MT(PS)	—
7	—	BW(58)	41	RF(PS)	WL(25)	75	—	—
8	BW	—	42	WF(PS)	MT(6)	76	—	—
9	—	—	43	—	BW(57)	77	—	BW(30)
10	HK	HK(11)	44	—	BW(58) BW(64)	78	WL(PS)	—
11	HK	—	45	—	BW(30)	79	—	—
12	—	—	46	GL(PS)	—	80	—	—
13	BW(PS) HK	—	47	—	HK(11)	81	—	—
14	HK HK(PS)	WL(25)	48	—	—	82	—	—
15	HK	BW(61)	49	—	—	83	—	—
16	—	—	50	TY(PS)	—	84	—	—
17	MT(PS)	BW(57)	51	—	HK(15)	85	—	—
18	—	BW(29)	52	—	HK(10)	86	HK(PS)	—
19	—	WL(89)	53	—	—	87	TY(PS)	WL(94)
20	RF(PS)	HK(14)	54	WF(PS)	MT(6)	88	—	—
21	—	—	55	—	BW(63)	89	WL	—
22	—	—	56	—	BW(61) WL(89)	90	—	—
23	—	—	57	BW	BW(63)	91	RF(PS)	—
24	—	BW(57)	58	BW	WL(94)	92	—	BW(30)
25	WL	BW(29)	59	—	—	93	—	BW(8) BW(29)
26	—	HK(10)	60	—	—	94	WL	—
27	WL(PS)	—	61	BW	BW(58) HK(14)	95	GL(PS)	—
28	—	—	62	—	—	96	—	BW(8) BW(61)
29	BW	BW(64) WL(94)	63	BW	WL(25)	97	—	BW(8)
30	BW	—	64	BW	—	98	—	—
31	HK(PS)	—	65	—	—	99	BW(PS)	BW(64)
32	—	HK(10)	66	MT(PS)	—	100	—	HK(15)
33	GL(PS)	—	67	—	—			
34	—	—	68	—	—			

don't know how many different sheets exist, we do not know how many of each were printed originally. Are certain sheets more common than others? My experience says, yes, as out of the fifty sheets I bought, I ended up with only eight different combinations. One of the combinations was present fifteen times! Of the eight different stamps, I currently only have four on the post office sheets (Good Luck, Thank You, and the two Flower stamps are missing). I currently have eight different versions of the Beach stamp, and just a single version of the Mazel Tov one.

To help me keep track, I have started a table using the sticker numbers to track which ones I have. If I have seen a particular sticker number, I record the stamp in the adjacent cell. The number on the label attached to the stamp is included in parenthesis. If there is no number in parenthesis, that

indicates that this is the number on the label attached to the stamp. A "PS" in parenthesis indicates that this sticker is on the Philatelic Service version of the stamp. As you can see, some stickers are available on multiple sheets. I hope to be able to continue to fill out this table as I get new data. If any readers have combinations that are not represented below, I would be grateful if you would please forward me a scan of the sheet at <adam.caplan@intel.com>.

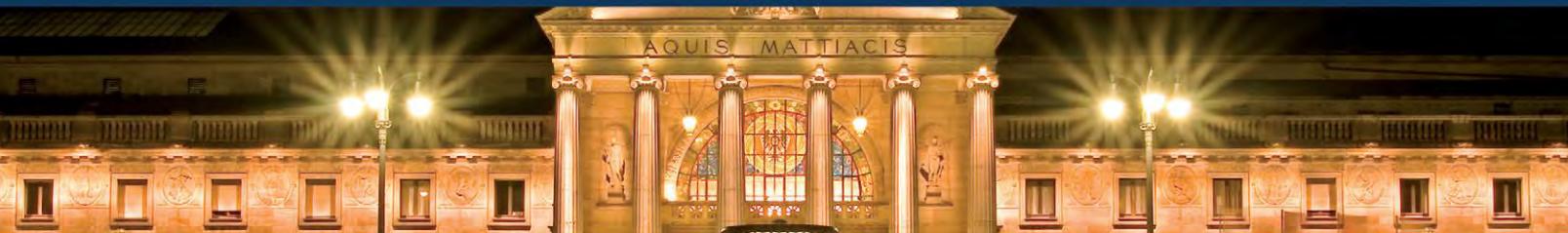
The Author

Adam Caplan has been collecting Israel stamps for 25 years. He has a blog devoted to modern Israel philately, and has published several articles on the subject in the Society of Israeli Philatelists journal. He lives in California with his wife and two young daughters.



HEINRICH KÖHLER

Germany's Oldest Stamp Auction House



Heinrich Koehler – Competence, Tradition, Quality. German and International Philately since 1913

355th · 356th HEINRICH KÖHLER JUBILEE AUCTION · 8 - 12 OCT. 2013

incl.

German States · Foreign Destination Mail · The Silvain Wyler Collection (Part II)
Bavaria Issues 1849 - 62 · The Walter Hußnäßer Collection
Bavaria 1849, "Schwarzer Einser", Germany's first postage stamp · The Gerschau Collection
Prussia "Numeral Cancellations" · The 'NIEDERRHEIN' Collection
Specialised Collection "The Fortresses of the German Confederation"
German Colonies, Occupation WW I and WW II
All World · Stamps & Postal History
Airmail · The J.J. Hollenkamp Collection



Lot descriptions and photoplates available online as PDF files

Online live bidding: Registration online on www.heinrich-koechler.de · Online Catalogue available on www.heinrich-koechler.de



Heinrich Koehler Auktionshaus GmbH & Co. KG

Wilhelmstr. 48/j · 65183 Wiesbaden · Germany
Phone +49 - 611 - 3 93 81 · Fax +49 - 611 - 3 93 84
www.heinrich-koechler.de · auction@heinrich-koechler.de

Postal Strikes

Creating a Philatelic Exhibit

by Douglas Sandler

Putting together an exhibit devoted to the history of modern postal strikes is not easy. There were numerous postal strikes between 1909 and 2011, resulting in a lot of philatelic material and making it difficult to present a simple story. This article is about postal strikes: what they mean to stamp collectors and how they can be turned into an exhibit.

The recent 2010 postal strikes in Great Britain, Netherlands, Spain, Chile, and India (just to name a few), as well as the 2011 strike in Canada, all have ties to the postal strikes of the past. My own collection includes postal strike material from:

- Australia (1968, 1985, 2009–2010)
- Canada (1965, 1968, 1974, 1975, 1978, 1981, 2011)
- Cuba (1934)
- France (1909, 1953)
- Germany (2002)
- Guatemala (1989)
- Ireland (1979)
- Netherlands (1983, 2010)
- Shanghai, China (1927–28, 1932)
- United Kingdom (1962, 1964, 1971, 1988, 2007–2009)
- United States (1970)

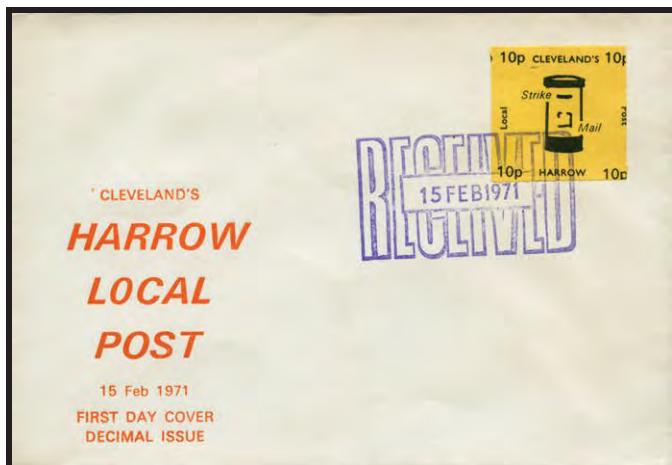
The reasons the postal unions struck usually were for better pay, benefits, job security, and respect. "This is not

a dispute about pay — it is about maintaining fair working conditions and making sure there are controls on management to stop them slashing full-time jobs and conditions in the future."¹

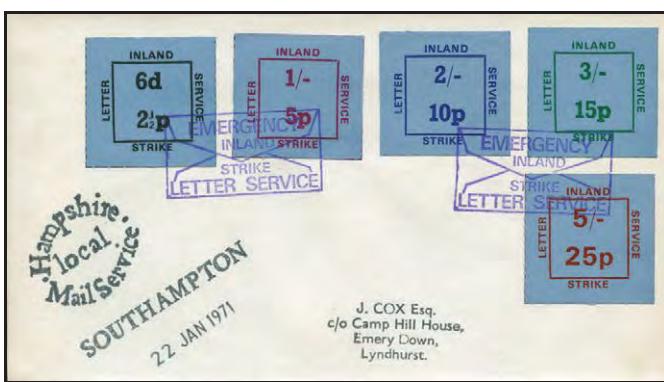
The 1971 U.K. postal strike occurred from January 20 to March 7 and affected people around the world. However, most postal strike covers and stamps were produced for stamp collectors and saw no postal service. This is one of the reasons current stamp catalogues do not cover strike mail material. There is a privately issued catalogue by Gerald Rosen, printed in 1971 and titled *Catalogue of British Postal Strike Stamps*. The American Philatelic Research Library (www.stamps.org/Library-Services) has a copy of Rosen's 1979 publication, *Catalogue of British Local Stamps: Philatelic Exhibition & Postally Valid Souvenir Sheets*, which partly covers the 1971 U.K. postal strike stamps.

One means of transporting mail during mail strikes is by private courier. During the 1971 U.K. strike, Bridger & Kay Ltd. organized the most extensive of the courier mail services. Initially, the company established the service as a means of dispatching their own auction catalogues and mail to overseas clients; however, they began to receive such a vast volume of outside mail for dispatch that by mid-February 1971 they were operating a service that covered mail delivery to or from 102 overseas territories. Their continental couriers ranged as far afield as Iceland and Israel, but the majority of overseas mail was taken by courier to a European office where stamps of that country were affixed for onward air mail posting. Reverse mail was sent to offices in Europe and then taken by courier to London.

All mail carried by the Bridger & Kay service was identified by special labels affixed to the address side that showed the flag of the sending country (Great Britain) and the re-



Above: Postal strike decimal issue FDC, posted on Decimal Day February 15, 1971. Right: Emergency Inland Strike Letter Service, showing the new and old monetary designations in the center of the stamps; postmarked January 22, 1971.





Cinderella label used during the 1979 Irish Republic postal strike.

ceiving country (e.g., France) separated by the words "SPECIAL COURIER MAIL" and the amount of the fee. The flags themselves were overprinted (in red) with dispatch and receivable dates such as "FROM BRITAIN JAN. FEB. 1971" and "TO OVERSEAS JAN. FEB. 1971." These labels were not sold to the public but were affixed to mail as it was brought into the courier offices in London and Ealing. They were canceled by a boxed handstamp that read "Authorised by Ministry Post and Telecom 27171 (the date) Feb 1971 Special Courier Mail." There were two printings of these labels; the first in January 1971, comprising 7,500 sheets of labels (5 x 14), and a second printing on February 5 needed to meet customer demand.

There are many examples of strike covers available from online auctions, such as eBay, which can range in price from cheap to expensive. However, it is not always possible to tell if some of the varieties of strike stamps that can be found ever saw postal usage. For example, the mint set of People's League Delivery stamps from the 1962 U.K. postal strike here illustrated have never, to my knowledge, been found used on cover. The postal strikes from 1909 to 1953 may or may not have had any philatelic material issued; the reason being that many of these strikes were of short duration. For example, the 1927, 1928, and 1932 Shanghai,



Bridger & Kay Ltd. strike mail special courier label issued February 2, 1971 to France.



Bridger & Kay Ltd. strike mail special courier label issued February 5, 1971 to the Netherlands.



"Despatch Service" postmark on cover from the small 1975 Canada postal strike with \$1 B.C. Emergency Mail Service label from Victoria.



Complete set of 1962 postal strike People's League Delivery labels



"Return To Sender / Mail Service Temporarily Suspended"—cancelled but not delivered during the 1981 Canadian postal strike.

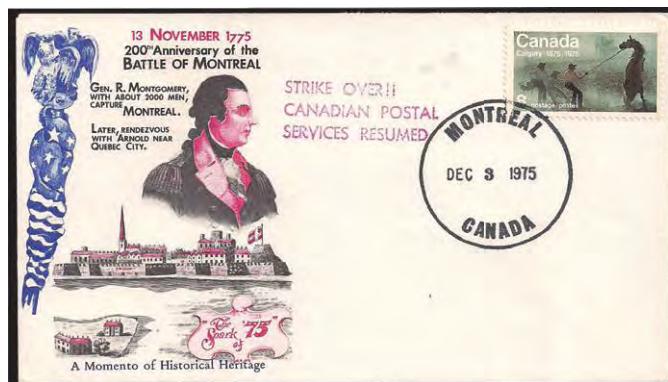
China postal strikes lasted for only a week. Interestingly, the Boy Scouts helped in the 1932 strike and some material related to this activity does exist; however, it is very expensive.

There are other postal markings associated with strike activities that can be challenging to collect. For example, the cover shown from the 1981 Canada postal strike that was returned with the handstamped marking, "RETURN TO SENDER / MAIL SERVICE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED." Or the jubilant handstamp on a cover sent December 3, 1975 that announced "STRIKE OVER / CANADIAN POSTAL / SERVICES RESUMED."

Postal strikes can be collected by country, postally used or not used, auxiliary markings, type of regular stamp used, strike stamp, or a combination of all these philatelic elements. We know that stamp collecting is both fun and educational. In this instance, postal strikes speak about some of the troubles faced by the economies of the world and the impact they can have on ordinary citizens as well as on governmental organizations.

If you are interested in exhibiting and plan to exhibit in the "Display Division" of a stamp show, you can use non-philatelic items to help tell your story. Sometimes stamps and covers alone cannot tell the whole story. You need to include pictures from the strike(s) and tie them in with a stamp or cover. Used covers with a strike stamp or auxiliary marking, of course, are essential to a proper strike collection or exhibit. It may take some time to find them, but part of the fun of collecting is the search, followed by the satisfaction in accomplishing your goal. Relevant newspaper clippings also may be appropriate, if there is a known postal strike but no philatelic material was produced for it, in order to maintain the flow of the exhibit.

One of the things you should include in any postal strike exhibit is an organization table to help show how the strike was run. My own exhibit included one that showed some of the organizational details from the 1971 U.K. postal strike. The Public Mail Service operated until the end of January 1971. For mail sent within the United Kingdom, only Public Mail labels were needed. Overseas delivery required a Public



Mail service resumed following the 1975 Canadian strike: "Strike Over!! Canadian Postal Services Resumed."

Mail label plus the appropriate postage in the stamp(s) of the delivering country (usually France or Belgium). When the Public Mail Service was discontinued, it was replaced by the Europa Service (European mail), Mayflower Service (North and South America), and Special Services (U.N., U.K. islands, Israel, Japan). The Public Mail fees were six times the regular post office rate.

What the potential collector/exhibitor needs more than anything else is the patience to track down the information on the particular strike he or she wishes to cover. You can go to places like www.stampboards.com to register and talk stamp collecting with fellow hobbyists. You can also write to the Universal Postal Union in Berne, Switzerland for specific information by visiting its website (www.upu.int) and using the e-mail response link. Another place to get helpful information is the Association of Postal Commerce at <http://postcom.org>. And don't forget the American Philatelic Research Library; just click on the "Online Catalog" and enter "strike mail" in the "Any Word(s)" box (www.stamps.org/About-the-Library). Research can be fun. While I was working on my initial exhibit I discovered other strikes I had not known existed.

Finally, I recommend that those who find the topic interesting join the American Philatelic Society (www.stamps.org) and the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors (www.aape.org); both are of great help to novice collectors and exhibitors. I also would recommend the purchase of the current editions of *The Philatelic Exhibitors Handbook* and the *Manual of Philatelic Judging*; both of which have helped me put my exhibit together correctly and explained what the judges look for in a successful exhibit.

Endnote

Reuters article, "TNT Postal Workers Strike Over Forced Layoff" (Tuesday, November 16, 2010); <http://reuters.com>.

The Author

Douglas Sandler has been collecting stamps since 1970 and postal strikes since 2009. After serving in the U.S. Navy he went back to school and has just finished a paralegal degree. He chose to specialize in postal strikes because it was an area that has been very little collected.

APPROVAL SERVICE

[SEE BEFORE YOU PURCHASE]

Experience the Service Our Customers RAVE About

If you generally spend about **\$200** or more per month on your collection, you can receive mounted, collector-formed collections to choose from.

How does this service work:

Either by telephone, by email, or in writing, you tell us the area or areas where you are trying to build your collection. Tell us what you are looking for – what time period; mint, used or both; centering requirements; price range of items and any other relevant details. The more details you give us, the more effectively we can service your needs. You provide us with a couple of references or a major credit card to begin service.

Shortly after communicating with us, you will receive album pages (usually) or dealer stock which contains the stamps you have told us you are interested in purchasing. We will quote you a rate of Scott Catalogue. We generally charge 35-50% of Scott depending upon what you have requested, and considerably less for stamps with faults. You may use any Scott Catalogue from 2010-2013. You need to tell us which catalogue you will be using.

Occasionally, the prices will be higher or lower. One example where the price might be much lower is if you are looking for classic material with small faults. An example of where the prices might be higher is if you request a "hot" country where the catalogue does not reflect the current market, or you request NH material in certain tough areas where the catalogue price is for LH.

You pick the stamps that you wish to purchase from the album pages and write the country, Scott Number, and catalogue value on a sheet of paper. When you have finished picking stamps, total up the catalogue value you have taken and multiply by the percentage of Scott you were quoted. Send the material you don't choose back to us by insured mail or UPS along with your payment. Payment can be made by check, money order, Visa, Mastercard, American Express, or Discover. Shortly after we receive the shipment back, we will send you more material. Also, please give us any comments or suggestions as to how we can serve you better. (This is extremely helpful on the first couple of shipments.)

Some comments about the \$200 or more per month average purchase:

Occasionally, customers have expressed concerns over this requirement. Please note that it is not a commitment, and there are no contracts to sign. Due to the cost of shipping both to us and to you, the service will not work well for small purchases. You are under no obligation whatsoever (other than to pay for stamps you take) and may stop the service at any time.

We do not expect customers to buy stamps they don't want in order to meet some arbitrary minimum. What we are looking for is to build our business on customers who are willing to spend this amount and more on stamps they want to buy. This is, of course, if we can provide the material you want and we hope we can. See for yourself.

Please feel free to call or write with any questions you may have about this service. We think you will find this a cost-effective and fun way to add stamps to your collection.

Advantages of this service:

- You get to pick from collector formed collections based on your specifications. On occasion, you will get dealer stock.
- See before you buy.
- Receive numerous items impossible for any dealer to effectively list on a price list.
- You are never disappointed with a sold out notice.
- Pay after you see and approve.
- Receive customized sendings geared to what YOU want.

Call, fax, write or e-mail us to begin service. Make sure to include your phone number.

Please note: Due to the high cost of shipment and customs regulations, this service is available only to United States residents at this time.

BELLMORE PHILATELICS INC.

1000 Park Boulevard, Suite 209, Massapequa Park, NY 11762

Toll Free: 866-882-9345 • E-mail: bellphilat@aol.com

Phone: 516-882-9345 • Fax: 516-882-9005



Do You Collect:

- The World to Date
- The World to 1960
- The World to 1940
- Antarctic Territories
- Asia
- Australia & States
- Austria
- Bahamas
- Baltics
- Belgium
- Bermuda
- British Commonwealth
- British Africa
- British America
- BAT
- British Asia
- British Caribbean
- British Europe
- British Middle East
- British Pacific
- Canada
- Central America
- Channel Islands
- China (Imperial)
- China (Taiwan)
- China (PRC)
- Denmark
- Eastern Europe
- Falkland Islands
- Finland
- France and/or Colonies & Offices
- French Polynesia/Pacific FSAT
- Germany
- German States
- German Area
- Germany - Berlin
- Germany - DDR
- German Offices and/or Colonies
- Greenland
- Great Britain
- GB Offices
- Greece & Area
- Iceland
- Independent Africa
- Ireland
- Israel
- Italy and/or Colonies & Offices
- Japan
- Korea
- Liechtenstein
- Luxembourg
- Mexico
- Middle East
- Monaco
- Netherlands & Colonies
- Newfoundland
- New Zealand
- Norway
- Portugal and/or Colonies
- Russia
- Scandinavia
- South America
- Spain and/or Colonies
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Turkey
- U.S. Freaks & Errors
- U.S. Possessions
- Western Europe

IN-HOME STAMP STORE! BUYING NOW!

In order to meet the needs of thousands of satisfied customers, we are buyers of ALL philatelic material. Call us immediately toll-free to discuss the sale of your collection, accumulation, or better singles or sets.

1-866-882-9345

www.StampStore.org

APS STAMPSTORE Offers...

- 233,000+ Items Available, most priced at \$5 to \$100
- Enhanced search capabilities using any field or combinations of fields, including price range and catalogues other than Scott
- Search results provide thumbnail images
- “Stamp Compare” helps you decide among multiple listings of same stamp
- Shopping Carts DO NOT EXPIRE
- Single checkout for ALL items, including books, specialty items, dues & tickets
- Fixed Prices — No Waiting or Watching
- Next Business Day Shipping
- 30-Day Money-Back Guarantee
- ALL Sellers ARE APS Members

Sign Up TODAY!

It is easy to use & hassle-free!

Buy & Sell with APS

*More Stamps
More Variety
Great Prices*

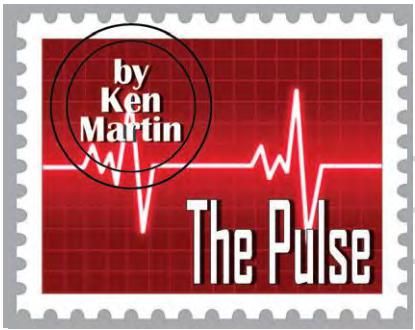
Join the many APS members who buy & sell online with confidence.

www.StampStore.org

APS Internet Sales

100 Match Factory Place • Bellefonte, PA 16823

Phone: 814-933-3803, ext. 270 • Fax: 814-933-6128 • E-mail: renee@stamps.org



STAMPSHOW 2013 Highlights

We enjoyed meeting so many APS members in Milwaukee at STAMPSHOW 2013. The show, which exceeded most dealers' expectations, was in a spacious and well-lit hall. Congratulations to **Jamie Gough** who was crowned as Champion of Champions for his exhibit "The UPU and Its Impact on Global Postal Services, 1875–1920." With Postal Service support we were able to send a mass mailing to residents in the area, which resulted in frequent lines for Stamps in the Attic and induced a number of casual collectors to explore the hobby in more depth. For a complete listing of award winners, visit www.stamps.org/Stampshow.

StampBuddy Debut

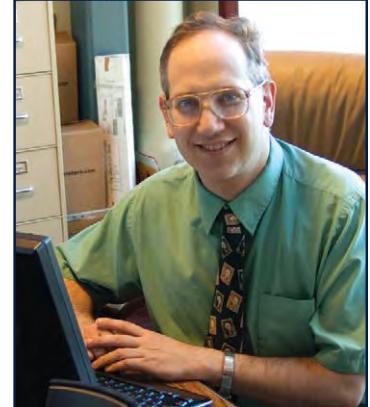
Our StampBuddy Service made its debut with a well-received booth in the Welcome to Stamp Collecting pavilion. StampBuddy is part of the APS initiative to welcome entry-level adults and returning collectors to our hobby. Begun about one year ago, the program has two major components: shows and personal outreach. At APS-sponsored shows StampBuddy provides friendly personal guides to the world of philately and an easy transition to what can sometimes seem to be an overwhelming show floor.

In Milwaukee, attendees were welcomed with an invitation to chat and to choose from buckets filled with stamps, while the guides spun stories about the stamps they chose. Guides helped booth visitors choose areas to collect and introduced them to our world of stamp tongs, watermark detectors, and perforation gauges. After visiting the StampBuddy booth, attendees were escorted on a guided tour of the show.

Guides promoted APS benefits like APRL, stamp circuits, and *The American Philatelist*. Our StampBuddy Service guides signed up 25 percent of the total new APS memberships garnered at STAMPSHOW!

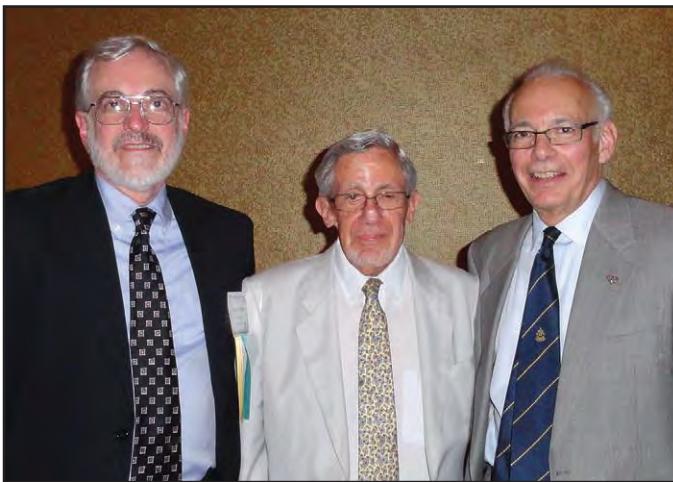
StampBuddy's basic mission is to bring new adult collectors to our hobby through face-to-face meetings between budding collectors or "Buddies" and StampBuddy mentors. Seven clubs have been chosen as pilots to develop these relationships and to train mentors who may escort the Buddy to club meetings, stamp shows, and bourses. Buddies and Mentors visit one another to encourage collecting at whatever level is most exciting to the Buddy. Whether it's forming a topical collection on trains or butterflies, collecting stampless envelopes, forming a collection of Germany, or any other of a thousand and one possibilities, APS mentors are available to show the way.

The key to the program's success is the personal outreach to non-collectors who express interest in subjects like history, geography, current events, or genealogy. In short, people who have a thirst for knowledge. This coming year speakers from the pilot clubs will visit service organizations, libraries, museums, senior centers, colleges, and perhaps set up booths at public events. We are expecting some hiccups but the goal is for the StampBuddy Service to go nationwide at the end of the pilot program. Look for a StampBuddy booth at the upcoming APS AMERISTAMP EXPO 2014 in Little Rock, Arkansas, at





Jamie Gough (center) receives the Champion of Champions award for his exhibit "The UPU and Its Impact on Global Postal Services, 1875–1920" from APS President Stephen Reinhard (left) and Immediate-Past President, Wade Saadi (right).



The 2013 Luff Award recipients from left: Richard Nakles for Outstanding Service to the Society, George Kramer for Exceptional Contributions to Philately, and Dr. Arthur Groten for Distinguished Philatelic Research.



Brett Brat and some Milwaukee Boy Scouts pause for a Kodak moment during STAMPSHOW.

STAMPSHOW 2014 in Hartford, Connecticut, and at some World Series of Philately shows around the United States.

Donating Opportunities

STAMPSHOW also provided a good venue to begin raising funds for the \$25,000 matching grant from the **Turning Point Foundation** to support our **StampsTeach** program, which provides lesson plans and stamps to third to fifth grade teachers. By the conclusion of the show we had raised nearly half the funds needed for the match. Additional details on the program are available in this issue with a response form on the wrapper that may be used to add your support.

Congress has passed legislation extending the **IRA Charitable Rollover Act** which may be beneficial to some of you who wish to support StampsTeach or other APS and APRL initiatives. This permits a donor to transfer funds directly from an IRA account to a charitable organization without recognizing the distribution as income, often allowing the donor to achieve substantial tax benefits.

To take advantage of this legislation you must be 70½ years or older, the transfer must take place directly from your IRA custodian to the APS or APRL, and must be limited to \$100,000. The act applies only to traditional, rollover and Roth IRAs, not to other types of plans such as a 401(k), 457 or 403(b).

Catch What You Missed

So much happens at STAMPSHOW that it is hard to keep track of everything, even if you are able to attend. However, volunteers videotaped a number of sessions during the show that are now available on the **APS YouTube channel**. Visit www.stamps.org/Stamp-YouTube-Videos for a listing and links to the videos. The September **APS e-Newsletter** included photos of the show and the list of exhibit winners. The agenda, background information and draft minutes of the **APS board meetings** are also posted to the APS website. In addition, a few of the **exhibits** are also available for viewing at <http://stamps.org/Online-Exhibits>.

More News Items

It's not too early to begin planning for our winter **2014 AMERISAMP EXPO** show, which will be held in Little Rock, Arkansas from February 13–15. Meeting and seminar requests and exhibit entries should be received soon to guarantee participation.

Did you read the recent stories in *Linn's* and *Canadian Stamp News* about the third example of **Canada Scott 32**, the 2-cent Large Queen on laid paper with a catalogue value of \$250,000 being found in an APS circuit sales book? Our Education-

al Department and Library exist to help you expand your knowledge so perhaps you will be the *next* to make a lucky find.

Following STAMPSHOW we have been blessed with a number of visitors. **Al Kugel** and **Keith Stupell**, both of whom have made major contributions to our future library space, stopped on their way to BALPEX. **Allison Cusick** visited to do some research and make a donation to the APRL. He took a tour of the new library space to see where the American First Day Cover Society archives are now housed in the new compact shelving. He plans to resume his work on the AFDCS files on his next visit.

We also were glad to see **Rudy Keller**, a member of the American Helvetia Philatelic Society, who spent two days at the APRL in August processing the Harlan Stone donation of seven boxes of clippings, research notes, and correspondence related to Swiss philately. This work was finished by APRL intern **Michael Wilson**, who is also completing a finding aid for the collection. The finding aid will be published in the 4th Quarter issue of the *Philatelic Literature Review* and will also be available online through the Philatelic Union Catalog. Sign up for a 2014 subscription to *Philatelic Literature Review* (\$18 for U.S. addresses) by November 1 and we will include the Fourth Quarter 2013 issue free of charge to get you started.

Finally, our apologies to **Paul Nelson** who was accidentally listed in the September AP (page 860) as a Carter Volunteer for National Promotion/Service. While very worthy, Paul was not eligible in 2013 as he was already accorded this honor in 2011 (see AP September 2011).

Celebrate National Stamp Collecting Month in October by reaching out and introducing the hobby to some non-collectors. And let us know of your success so we can share with others.



Young and old alike enjoy digging into the mountain of stamps at Stamps by the Bucket during the show. For more STAMPSHOW photos, visit www.stamps.org/photo-galleries.

MILLIONS OF STAMPS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

AUCTIONS EVERY WEEK - LOTS FROM \$15 TO \$15,000

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH

Huge offering of very fine quality Commonwealth single stamps, sets, collections and all things philatelic from Aden to Zululand.



ANNIVERSARY

EUROPE & WORLDWIDE

You'll find something of interest in the thousands of fascinating Europe and Worldwide collections, cartons, classics, specialized and unique lots.



EASY-TO-USE

WEBSITE

IMAGES, VIDEOS & ARTICLES
FREE SCANS

- NO CREDIT CARD CHARGES
- FAST & SECURE SHIPPING - FREE INSURANCE
- FULL REFUND IF YOU ARE NOT COMPLETELY SATISFIED

Sandafayre

STAMP AUCTIONS

For our latest weekly auctions visit:

www.sandafayre.com

To request a catalog by email: stamp@sandafayre.com by phone: +44 (0)1565 653214 quoting this magazine, or return the coupon.

Please send me my FREE introductory Sandafayre catalogs

Name: _____

Address: _____

Zipcode: _____

Enter details below if you would like to be added to the Collectors Register

My collecting interests are:

E-mail: _____

(APS)

SANDAFAYRE, PARKGATE, KNUTSFORD, WA16 8DX, UK.



October is Stamp Collecting Month!

Celebrate this special month in our hobby by checking the back mailing cover of this issue and sign up for our circuit approvals! Here are some of the reasons why you should try this out:

- Mini-stamp stores are delivered to your home. No pressure.
- Choose from about 160 categories of collecting interests.
- You can inspect the stamps and covers before buying.
- Many items are difficult to find elsewhere.
- Postage to mail the package to the next address has dropped by \$2.20.
- Items are generally priced at 50% or less of catalogue values.
- The price range of the items is 5 cents to \$500.
- Clearance books give you the opportunity to buy lots at considerable discounts.
- RELAXATION. Stamp collecting is the perfect wintertime relaxation activity.
- CONTROL. Your collection gives you total control of your corner of the world.

Bleeding Ink

It has been a while since we discussed this problem in the Sales Talk column. One of our sellers informed us that when he received his retired books he noticed that some purchase marks had soaked through sales book pages. Luckily, he had placed the more expensive items in mounts, but the bleeding ink had tagged the less expensive stamps, for which he had used hinges to attach them to the pages. The tagging was on the front of the stamps in some cases and on the backs in other cases. The damage could have been much worse, in terms of dollar value. He suggested that buyers use the type of ink pad that scrapbook crafters use, which contains a fast drying ink that does not soak through paper and is archival safe. An Internet search will provide you with several makers of these ink pads.

When applying ink to pads you have been using for years, always be careful not to over-ink the pad. Also, when working on a circuit, be sure to position the ink pad so that the books do not rest on it. We have seen books with ink blotches that traveled through several pages, marking higher value stamps. Any stamps damaged in this fashion will be considered as bought by the member.

USPS Tracking Postal Receipts

Most members are now using the USPS Tracking service when mailing circuits to the next addresses. Please note that the trial period for our change to this less expensive mailing method is one year (May 2013–May 2014). If losses are not more than we anticipate, we will continue accepting this service for forwarding circuits between members.

One note: since we instituted this change, we have received an unusual number of original postal receipts and copies of receipts without asking for them. It is not necessary to send the copy of the receipt to us until we see that a package might be lost and we write for the copy to prove it was mailed. As long as you store the original postal receipt for twelve months in a safe and accessible place, you have eliminated your responsibility for the circuit's value. When we do ask for a copy, you send a copy of the receipt, not the original. This is the same instruction we have given buyers for decades.

Chapter Circuit Schedule Reminder

During September and October we send schedule letters and forms to APS Chapters who receive our sales circuits

Till Sold or Given Away — UPA Auction: October 8, 2013
23,273 lots (all guaranteed) US \$1,823,540 Estimates
NO BUYER'S PREMIUM

Check Out the UPA Unique Reducing Estimate System

Request Catalogues/View Online:

info@upastampauctions.co.uk • www.UPAstampauctions.co.uk

for their meetings. This is a reminder to return the completed forms to the Sales Division by December 2, 2013 so we can schedule the January mailings. Provide your updates on the requested categories on the back of the schedule form.

We send circuits to all APS Chapters who request them. The frequency of the mailings can be one per month, quarterly, semi-annually, on demand or any schedule your chapter chooses. However, we cannot send more than one per month. Contact us for more information or visit our website at <http://stamps.org/> How-to-Buy to view the box on the right for "Local Club Circuits."

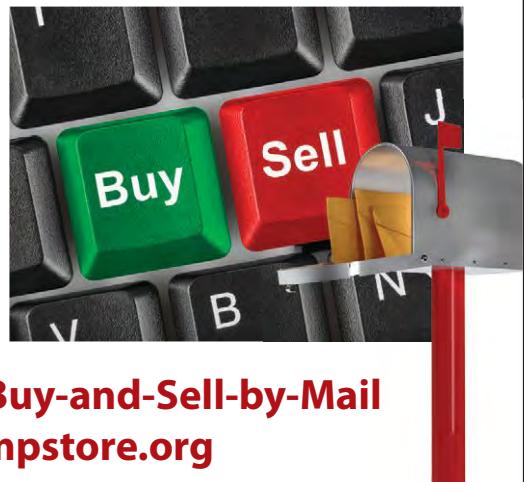
'5 for 10' Categories (Needs)

You can earn coupons for free blank books for every ten completed books (Clearance books do not qualify) containing material from a set list of categories. Visit <http://stamps.org/Stamps-Needed> for more information and the list of qualifying categories or contact us

Visit the Sales Division & StampStore Online!

www.stamps.org/Buy-and-Sell-by-Mail

www.stampstore.org



to obtain a hard copy of the list. [Note:
Single-country books usually have better
sales.]

U.S. Coils
U.S. Officials
U.S. Possessions
Baltic States
British Atlantic Islands
British Empire Victorian Era

China
German Colonies
Israel
Netherlands Colonies
Ryukyu Islands
Spain
Spanish Colonies

Germany ZEPPELINS!



Scott	NH	★	◎	On Flown Cover
C35-37	\$380.00	\$90.00	\$110.00	\$320.00
C38-39	2900.00	450.00	650.00	975.00
C40-42	3200.00	725.00	920.00	1300.00
C43-45	3300.00	900.00	800.00	950.00

All Prices are Net. I pay postage. Your Satisfaction is guaranteed!
I carry a virtually complete stock of German Philately from 1849 to date,
whether you collect by Scott or Michel, mint or used.
Ask for my free Pricelists.

RICHARD PYZNAR

www.richardpyznar.com

P.O. Box 527 • Flemington, NJ 08822/USA
Tel: 908-236-9211 • Fax: 908-236-7015

— Since 1955 —

VISA • MasterCard • American Express



Palo Albums Inc.

Illustrated color stamp albums for every country in the world!

Palo Albums Inc. provides Regular and Hingeless pages per the Scott Catalogue for every country - as well as Colonies, Hunting Permit, Topicals, King George V & VI, British Commonwealth pages per Stanley Gibbons and much more.

Please write or call for a free catalogue!
1-800-572-5967 • WWW.PALOALBUMS.COM
1410 Higgins Rd. Suite 104 • Park Ridge, IL 60068



Introducing the Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship Class of 2014

by **Gretchen Moody and Alex Haimann**

As it begins its fifth year, the Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship (YPLF) welcomes five new Fellows, four Junior and one Senior, for the Class of 2014. We especially thank the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society, stamp dealer David Feldman USA, and immediate past president of the APS Wade Saadi. We honor in memoriam Mike Miley Sr. and John J. Nunes. Each Fellow bears one of these supporters' names as his or her sponsor for the upcoming year.

It is our goal to create philatelic leaders of tomorrow by connecting them with the leaders of today and by providing them with enriching, dynamic experiences that will allow them to explore and realize their individual philatelic goals.

Sarah Chenevert (Dunlap, IL)

— Michael Miley Memorial Fellow

Sarah's interest in stamp collecting began when she was five and observed her father working in his stamp room. She became a topical collector focusing on horses. She is an active member



of the American Topical Association and has been inspired by its Executive Director, Vera Felts. Through the years, Sarah's interest in philately grew as other members of her family and her god mother shared enthusiasm for stamp collecting. Another source of inspiration has been the APS Youth Coordinator and StampCamp USA as she has participated in programs for youth.

Sarah has gained experience exhibiting through the ATA's "Celebrate America" youth stamp exhibiting competition. In preparing her exhibit about Abraham Lincoln she gathered information using the Smithsonian's Arago website, philatelic books from her father's collection, and her own stamps and covers.

Sarah is in her sophomore year of high school and enjoys horseback riding. She is an integral part of the family farm and has aspirations to become a veterinarian. During her Fellowship year as an Author Track Fellow, Sarah wants to create a series of philatelic articles based on her growing collection of correspondence between soldiers and their families during various American wars. Sarah's discovery of stampless covers and wartime correspondence opened a whole new subject for

philatelic inquiry. "How exciting it is to carefully unfold a cover and decipher the elegant writing inside!"

Sarah is the Michael Miley Memorial Fellow.

Owen Chun (Hastings-on-the-Hudson, NY)

— Wade Saadi Fellow

Owen Chun started collecting by responding to a Mystic Stamp Company ad in the New Yorker magazine for three free mint stamps. He thought at the time that the stamps were fascinating and might be valuable. He learned they were common stamps with little value, but nevertheless he was hooked. He bought Scott catalogues from a local library during a fund-raiser, then purchased stamp lots and researched their values. He wanted to know more about these fascinating small pieces of paper.



He went to his first show at NOJEX in 2012, where he met Ken Martin, who immediately recognized Owen's passion to learn more and invited him to be a scholarship student at Summer Seminar. After attending Summer Seminar, where he took Irv Miller's "Stamp Expert" course, Owen interned at Siegel auctions pulling lots and describing stamps. He attended local stamp clubs and shows, getting to know that stamp collecting can be a social, organized hobby. "People are so friendly and are trying to help you." His experience at Stamps in Your Attic at APS StampShow confirmed how much fun it is to help people with his knowledge about the hobby.

Owen, a Junior Fellow, has chosen the Dealer Track and is the Wade Saadi Fellow. During his Fellowship year, he hopes to make new philatelic connections, meet dealers and other collectors, and gain knowledge of more philatelic areas so he can help others learn. "There's satisfaction in describing something, helping people find what they want and making money."

Sabrina McGill (Middletown, IN)

— U.S. Philatelic Classics Society Fellow

Sabrina McGill's first venture into stamp collecting came at around age seven through family interactions. Her aunt's passion for filling her album allowed Sabrina and her cousin to enjoy the leftovers of her aunt's collection. She grew up in a small



town in Indiana and, for many years, stamp collecting was her only hobby. Now that she is 17, her hobbies have expanded to include Harley Davidson motorcycles, a passion that she shares with her father.

An experienced exhibitor, Sabrina has created several topical exhibits including, a fictional story illustrated by stamps. What began as a way to transition away from strictly topical exhibiting has become an 80-page exhibit, winning a Youth Grand Award. She likes researching less familiar material and creating a story.

Sabrina's a regular at INDYPLEX where she helps in the youth area. She also writes for *The Kicking Mule*, the newsletter of the Indiana State Stamp Club, and actively participates in club activities. Her goal in the upcoming Fellowship year is to pursue the Author Track, and is especially looking forward to the research aspect. "I want to have the tools to better help our hobby grow." Sabrina is a Junior Fellow and is the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society Fellow.

Cassandra Stahl (New Castle, IN)

— David Feldman USA Fellow

Cassi's interest in stamp collecting was piqued by the beautiful flowers and butterflies on stamps from her mother and aunt's collections. She found her favorite animal, the panda, on stamps and then discovered that exhibiting is a fun way to share your stamps with others. Cassi has built at least five exhibits thus far and looks forward to improving as an exhibitor during her Fellowship year.

Cassi has learned sign language, participates in her school choir, and assists with after-school care for pre-school children, where she learned that children as young as four years old can fall in love with stamps. INDYPLEX is fortunate to have Cassi's mother and Cassi to organize and run the youth area each year. Cassi is a member of the Indiana Stamp Club and helps to lead 4H and Boy Scout Merit Badge workshops, teaching young people the basics of stamp collecting. "It is enjoyable to see young kids spark an interest in a hobby that I myself enjoy."



Year Five... and GROWING!

Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship (YPLF)

Support the Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship!

Ensuring a prosperous future for American philately requires a team effort.

The YPLF is a program designed to engage young stamp collectors in some of the most exciting elements of the philatelic world. Along with the opportunity to receive one-on-one mentoring from seasoned collectors, dealers, exhibitors, and authors with varied philatelic interests, Fellows are given the opportunity to travel and to develop a year-long project in one of three philatelic areas: author, exhibitor, or dealer. Two alums of the YPLF hope to become accredited judges in the next

few years, three currently exhibit, and three others continue to work with stamp dealers in their area or are actively dealing via the Internet. The program is already bearing fruit.

Please **join the team** in supporting the YPLF by pledging or donating today. Visit <http://stamps.org/Support-YPLF> or make note on your check your donation to YPLF and mail to 100 Match Factory Place, Bellefonte, PA 16823.

www.stampfellowship.org

As a Junior Fellow, Cassi has chosen the Exhibitor Track and is the David Feldman USA Fellow. She looks forward to receiving the one-on-one help from an experienced mentor and to meet other people who enjoy stamp collecting. While she enjoys the collector friends she's met through INDYPEX, she also looks forward to getting to know collectors in her age range.

Michael Cortese (Pittsfield, NH)
— John J. Nunes Memorial Fellow

Mike is already an experienced stamp collector, having joined his father in the family business of selling stamps and coins on eBay under the name Noblespirit. He recalls sitting on his dad's lap at age six identifying stamps using the Scott catalogues. While other hobbies took him away from stamp collecting for a time, he always knew that he would be back running the family business, which now has more than ten employees. Mike handles all employee affairs, including hiring, training, and supervision.



Mike found the Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship after registering for the Basic Stamp Collecting course through the APS StampCampus

of online courses. He discovered the YPLF pages of the APS website and listened to Alex Haimann's, YPLF founder, speech to the Tiffany Dinner audience at APS AmeriStamp Show in 2008. Alex's speech resonated with Mike to such a degree that he now describes himself as a soldier in Alex's army to encourage young people in stamp collecting.

Mike, a Senior Fellow, has chosen the Author Track and is the John J. Nunes Memorial Fellow. He knows that he will more effectively help his customers if he is more knowledgeable. He was attracted to the Author Track because he enjoys research. He wants to hone his writing skills so that when he has something worth sharing, it will be easily understood and heard. He recalls advice from his father, "If you can write well, people will listen to you."

We welcome these new Fellows, the Class of 2014, to the Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship and wish them a successful year.

Graduation at STAMP SHOW

Congratulations to the Class of 2013 graduates Katie Vasicek (Dealer Track and Schyuler Rumsey Fellow), Autumn Hanley (Exhibitor Track and William Raible Fellow), and Casey Cook (Dealer Track and U.S. Philatelic Classics Society Fellow).

Buying & Selling

United States, Russia, British Commonwealth, Israel and Vatican



We are the leading buyers of U.S. better grade material and quantity items, British Commonwealth, Israel, Russia, Vatican, and other Foreign material — Please offer.

Mounted Collections, Accumulations, Dealer's Stock, Single Items in large quantities, etc.

Send #10 SASE U.S., Israel, Russia, & Vatican Buy & Sell lists.

We will Travel for Large Lots.

Ideal Stamp Company
Sam Malamud

161 Helen Street • South Plainfield, NJ 07080
E-MAIL: info@idealny.com
PH: 908-548-8088 • FAX 908-822-7379

Manhattan office by appointment only located at:
115 Broadway Suite 302 • New York, NY 10006
Telephone: 212-952-9700

APS
APS Member over 40 years
ASDA
ASDA Member over 40 years

Exhibitors:

Don't take unnecessary risks with your award-winning philatelic treasures. Protect them with the same archival material used by the Library of Congress.

Keep your stamps & covers safe

Archival Quality Protective Pockets (Sleeves) custom-made in the size you need. Your precious philatelic material deserves the long-term protection our respected products can provide. Offered in practically every size imaginable (and from your choice of Du Pont Mylar D, Safety Vinyl or Archival Polypropylene), you can depend on our high-quality protectors to keep safe your stamps, blocks, booklets, souvenir sheets, and covers and postcards of all sizes. We offer many standard sizes or let us give you a quote for a special size custom-made for you.

FREE SAMPLE KIT! And price list. See the quality for yourself. Write or call now! No obligation.

Call for prompt service: 978-890-7240
E-mail: Bill@KristalKare.com

KRISTAL KARE

31 Grove Street • Essex, MA 01929
USPCS • USCC
www.protectivepockets.com

APS
APS Member over 40 years



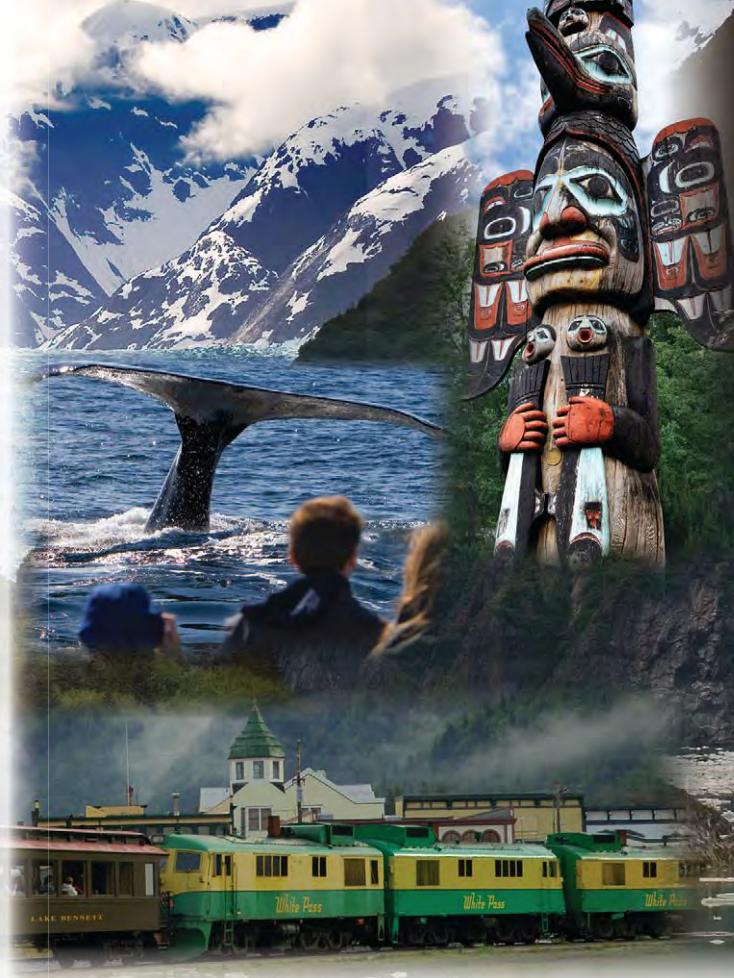
Join the APS as we cruise round-trip from Seattle, Washington to Alaska, aboard the

Norwegian Cruise Line's *Norwegian Jewel*

with scenic cruising: Sawyer Glacier visiting these exciting ports-of-call:

- Juneau • Skagway • Ketchikan
- Victoria, British Columbia

Cruise Highlights include: • Special Gifts •
Stamp Auction at Sea
Guest Speakers • Private Cocktail Party



APS STAMP CRUISE

7 DAYS of Stamps, Sailing & Good Times

May 17-24, 2014

To be part of this very special cruise, you MUST book through *CruiseWorks, Inc.*®

For information on cruising with the APS, call or write today!

Prices start as low as

\$949

per person, dbl occupancy
Category ID Cabin

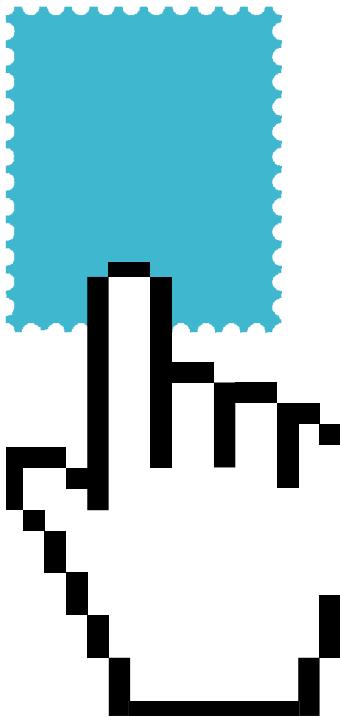
Payment
Plan Available

Plus add-on air fare from most major cities
port charges included in cruise price

CRUISEWORKS®, INC.
1-800-876-6664

7033 Sunset Blvd., Suite 214
Hollywood, CA 90028

cruiseworks@aol.com • cruise-works.com



You can help get stamps into more classrooms across the USA

TurningPoint Foundation has given STAMPS TEACH an exciting and generous matching grant opportunity, but we urgently need the help of APS members like you.



STAMPS TEACH, a program developed jointly by the American Philatelic Society and the Smithsonian National Postal Museum's Council of Philatelists, has successfully introduced nearly 10,000 children to the joy of stamps. Providing classroom teachers with free lesson plans, worksheets, task cards, and postage stamps, the participating teachers have used these materials to teach a variety of subjects to students in 29 states.

To date, STAMPS TEACH has been funded through the generosity of American Stamp Dealers Association dealers, USPS and APS. Now STAMPS TEACH has the opportunity of qualifying for a \$25,000 matching grant thanks to TurningPoint Foundation. STAMPS TEACH needs your help.

Please give what you can using the donation form on the following page. Help expand STAMPS TEACH and enable hundreds of thousands of children to experience the joy of stamps.

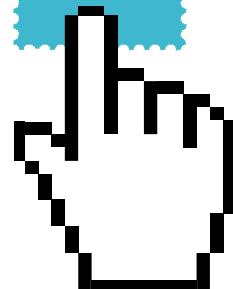
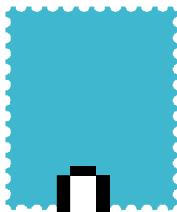
**Stamps
Teach**



"Students wanted to take the stamps home with them. They were so eager to look through their choices. They had to be problem solvers and independent to find what they needed. They were cooperative and finding stamps for one another."

-Participating teacher

Stamps Teach free products for teachers: Here's how it works



1 Lesson Plans

Complete downloadable lessons to cover school topics.
STAMPS TEACH provide the stamps.

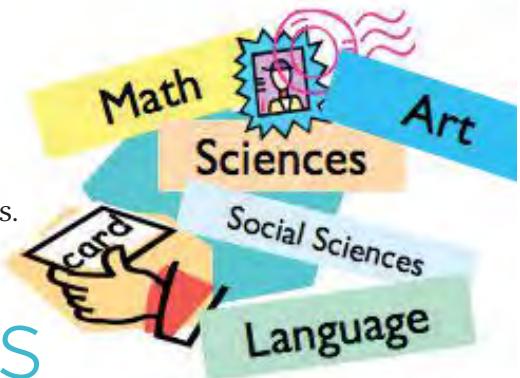
2 Work Sheets

Short downloadable exercises to illustrate teachers own lessons.
STAMPS TEACH provide the stamps.

3 Task cards, posters & colorful stamps

A year-long set up for the classroom. STAMPS TEACH provides colorful posters and pockets for cards, a container full of stamps (replenished on request) and downloadable task-cards (by subject) with individual activities to keep children actively engaged.

For more information go to: stamps.org/Stamps-Teach



Here's how you can help

YES, I want to help with a tax-deductible contribution to STAMPS TEACH.

\$10 \$20 \$40 \$75 Other \$ _____ or donate online at: stamps.org/donate

Name _____

Address _____

Send to:
APS-Stamps Teach Matching Fund
100 Match Factory Place
Bellefonte, PA 16823

For more information contact
Gretchen Moody at: gretchen@stamps.org
or Omar Rodriguez at: OmarStampsTeach@aol.com



The "Show Time" Calendar features a list of upcoming shows and APS events (shown in green). To obtain a listing, please submit a "Show Time" form, available online at www.stamps.org>Show-Calendar or by mail from APS headquarters. Information must be received 60 days before desired publication time.

The listings are free to World Series of Philately and other shows that are sponsored by an APS chapter or affiliate. Other shows/bourses may purchase listings for the month of the show/bourse and the month prior **only**. The listing fee is \$25 per show per issue. These shows are designated *B*.

Grand award winners from *WSP* shows are eligible for the annual APS World Series of Philately Champion of Champions competition. Visit www.stamps.org>Show-Calendar for a complete listing of shows and APS events.

All information is subject to change without notice. While every effort is made to ensure accuracy, you should check with the specific show to verify information. The APS Website listing includes shows much further in advance than we have space to include in The American Philatelist.

California October 2-3
The Visible Postal System: A Postal History Course On-the-Road Course, Prior to SESCAL, Hilton Los Angeles Airport Hotel, Los Angeles. *APS*
Contact: Gretchen Moody, 814-933-3803
E-mail: gretchen@stamps.org
Website: <http://stamps.org/On-the-Road-Courses>

California October 4-6
SESCAL Federated Phil. Clubs of Southern California, Hilton Los Angeles Airport, 5711 West Century Blvd., Los Angeles. *WSP*
Contact: Carl Shaff, II, 213-383-7111
E-mail: c2shaff@aol.com
Website: www.sescal.org

California October 4-6
WINEPEX 2013 Redwood Empire Collectors Club, Marin Civic Center, 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael.
Contact: Kurt Schau, 707-778-6454
E-mail: info@harmerschau.com

Missouri October 5
Joplin Stamp Club Show Joplin Stamp Club, Memorial Hall, 407 S. Garrison Ave., Carthage. *B*
Contact: Marlin Willoughby, 417-358-3593
E-mail: willoughbym@msn.com

New York October 5
OLEPEX 2013 Olean Stamp Club, B.P.O. Elks Club No. 491, 209 West State Street, Olean. *B*
Contact: Ronald J. Yeager, 814-362-4471
E-mail: cry@atlanticbb.net

New York October 5
Stamp Coin & Ephemera Sale Leatherstocking Stamp Club & Tri County, Holiday Inn, 5206 State Highway 23, Oneonta. *B*
Contact: Ellen Tillapaugh, 607-547-5646
E-mail: kuchtill@gmail.com

Illinois October 5-6
CUPEX 2013 Champaign-Urbana Stamp Club, Urbana Civic Center, 108 E. Water Street, Urbana.
Contact: Louise B. Toft, 217-359-9115
E-mail: ndx4031r@att.net
Website: <http://custampclub.org/>

Oklahoma October 5-6
Lawton/Fort Sill Annual Stamp Show

Show Lawton/Fort Sill Stamp Club, Center for Creative Living, 3501 SW Dr. Elsie Hamm Dr., Lawton. *B*
Contact: Bernard S. Pawloski, Jr., 940-692-0266
E-mail: obiks46@yahoo.com

Oregon October 5-6
Stampfest and Coin Show 7 Feathers Convention Center and Casino Resort, 146 Chief Miwaleta Lane, Canyonville. *B*
Contact: Doug Holloway, 541-673-4949
E-mail: dough@riousa.com

Pennsylvania October 6
Fall 2013 CAPEX Capital City Philatelic Society, Susquehanna Township High School, 7500 Elmerton Ave., Harrisburg. *B*
Contact: Linn Kinney, 717-732-7813

New York October 10-13
The National Postage Stamp Show American Stamp Dealers Association, New Yorker Hotel, 481 Eighth Ave., New York. *B*
Contact: Amy Nicklaus, 973-563-6112
E-mail: amy@americanstampdealer.com
Website: www.asdaonline.com

California October 11-12
POWPEX 2013 Poway Stamp Club, Al Bahr Shrine Center, 5440 Kearny Mesa Rd., San Diego. *B*
Contact: Tony Price, 858-384-7554
E-mail: filiatelictony@yahoo.com

Georgia October 12
GAPEX 2013 Greater Augusta Stamp Club, Americas Best Value Inn, 3023 Washington Road (at I-20 Exit), Augusta.
Contact: Doug Walker, 803-649-5929
E-mail: ddougwalker@yahoo.com
Website: www.stampclubs.com/augusta/

Illinois October 12
Will County Stamp Show Philatelic Club of Will County, Messiah Lutheran Church, 40 Houlbolt, Joliet.

USA at CHICAGOPEX

Itasca, IL • November 22-24

US Postal History Colonial to Prexies:

Maritime, Destinations, Expos, DPOs, Railroads, CSA, Territorial, Express, Possessions, & Military

STEPHEN T. TAYLOR

5 Glenbuck Road, Surbiton, Surrey KT6 6BS England
 Phone: 011-4420-83909357 Fax: 011-4420-83902235
info@stephentaylor.co.uk www.stephentaylor.co.uk

Your American Dealer in Britain



EXPERTIZATION of WORLD CLASSICS by
Sismano
EXPERTS

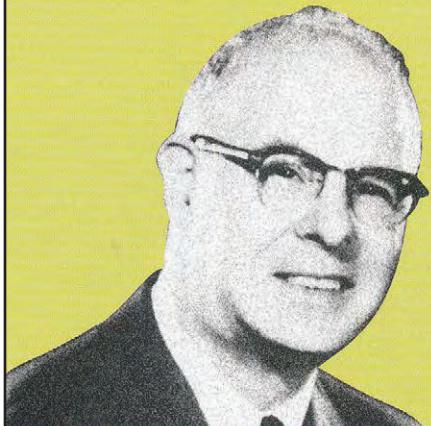
FAST, RELIABLE, COMPETITIVELY PRICED
 High Quality Certificates
 Complete and Accurate Descriptions
ACT NOW - ESTIMATED TURNAROUND 6-8 WKS!
 For more information, terms and prices visit —
www.sismanostamps.com

LIANE & SERGIO SISMONDO
 10035 Destiny USA Drive, Syracuse, New York 13290-0001
 TEL 315-422-2331 FAX 315-422-2956
 EMAIL sismano@dreamscape.com





**SELLING YOUR
STAMPS TO
GOOD PEOPLE
FOR A
GOOD PRICE
MAKES
GOOD SENSE.**



**EARL P. L. APFELBAUM, INC.
KING OF THE HOBBY OF KINGS SINCE 1910**

STAMPS TO SELL? CALL TOLL-FREE 800-523-4648

The Pavilion, 261 Old York Road, Suite 831 • Jenkintown, Pennsylvania 19046 • www.apfelbauminc.com

Choice Early Classics to Modern Varieties

CANADA • BNA

View & shop our on-line database of Canadian & BNA stamps & literature at www.saskatoonstamp.com

*Free on Request:
Our current private treaty catalogue of Canadian and BNA Stamps*

Internationally Recognized as a Leading Dealer in Canadian Errors and Varieties

SASKATOON STAMP CENTRE
PO Box 1870, Saskatoon, SK S7K 3S2
Call TOLL FREE 1-800-205-8814 in North America
Phone: (306) 931-6633 Fax: (306) 975-3728
E-mail: ssc@saskatoonstamp.com Web site: www.saskatoonstamp.com

Contact: Rodney Juell, 815-741-2734
E-mail: rajuell2@gmail.com
Website: <http://willcountystampclub.wordpress.com>

Michigan **October 12**
Kalamazoo Fall Exhibition & Bourse and Cover Show Kalamazoo Stamp Club, Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds and Expo Center, 2900 Lake Street, Kalamazoo.
Contact: Mike Dennany E-mail: irishdennany@yahoo.com

Washington **October 12-13**
Tri-Cities Stamp Show Tri-Cities Stamp Club, Knights of Columbus Hall, 2500 Chester, Richland. *B*

Contact: Lawrence Clay, 509-735-3731 E-mail: lclay3731@charter.net

Minnesota **October 18-19**
METROPEX 2013 Maplewood Stamp Club, Roseville Skating Center, 2661 Civic Center Drive, St. Paul. *B*
Contact: Tom Eckers, 763-533-1860 E-mail: tome56@earthlink.net

New York **October 18-19**
STEPEX 2013 Elmira Stamp Club, American Legion Post, 45 S. Olcott Rd. (I-86, Exit 49), Big Flats.
Contact: Alan Parsons, 607-732-0181 E-mail: alatholleyrd@aol.com

Canada **October 18-20**
CALTAPEX 2013 Calgary Philatelic Society, Kerby Centre, 1133 7th Avenue, SW, Calgary.
Contact: Philip Wolf, 403-281-0500 E-mail: dfreeman@latitude.ca

Delaware **October 19**
62nd Annual Dover Stamp and Postcard Show Dover Stamp Club, Camden-Wyoming Fire Hall, 200 E. Camden-Wyoming Avenue, Camden.
Contact: Melvin Nace, 302-674-0837 E-mail: doverstampclub@aol.com

Florida **October 19**
Jacksonville Stamp Collector's Fall Show Jacksonville Stamp Club, North East Florida Safety Council Building B, 1725 Art Museum Drive, Jacksonville. *B*
Contact: Charles Winney, 904-389-2725 E-mail: cwf@jamesandharris.com

New Jersey **October 19**
Jockey Hollow Stamp Club Bourse Jockey Hollow Stamp Club, 1st Presbytarian Church Parish Hall, 494 Route 10 West, Whippany. *B*
Contact: Hugh Merritt, 973-263-9012 E-mail: hughtowaco@optonline.net

Call for Exhibits

WESTPEX 2014

April 25-27, 2014

San Francisco Airport Marriott Waterfront Hotel
1800 Old Bayshore Highway, Burlingame, CA
Free shuttle from San Francisco Airport

A World Series of Philately Exhibition with 5000+ pages in 300+ frames

Hosting
Canal Zone Study Group
Colombia Panama Philatelic Study Group
Rossica Society of Russian Philately

A Bourse of 76 National and International Dealers
Schuyler Rumsey of San Francisco Auction Society and Study Groups Meetings
Youth & Beginner Area
Awards Banquet & Souvenirs

Prospectus and Entry Form available from Ross Towle
400 Clayton Street, San Francisco, CA 94117
Show details and information at

www.westpex.org

Only the highest quality U.S. Stamps.



Visit our website to see our nationally-known stock of classic U.S. and Canadian stamps—plus exciting monthly specials and One-of-a-Kind offers. Also send us your Want List. New material is constantly added to our stock. If you're building a fine collection and only the best will do, become a regular visitor to our site. It will be our pleasure to help you.

www.nalbandstamp.com

Since 1950
Jack Nalbandian, Inc.
Post Office Box 71 • East Greenwich RI 02818
Phone: (401) 885-5020 • Toll Free: (877) 742-6168
E-Mail us at: nalbandianj@earthlink.net 

Pennsylvania**October 19**

GETTYPEX 2013 Blue and Gray Stamp Club, Gettysburg Fire Company, 35 North Stratton Street, Gettysburg.

Contact: Dwight L. Monn, 717-624-4864

E-mail: dmonn@pa.net

Wisconsin**October 19**

CENWISPEX '13 Central Wisconsin Stamp Club, Holiday Inn Convention Center, 1001 Amber Ave., Stevens Point.

Contact: J. D. Manville, 715-341-5555

E-mail: jadeco@charter.net

Indiana**October 19-20**

EVANSPEX 2013 Stamp and Cover

Show Evansville Stamp Club, Scottish Rite Community Center, 203 Chestnut St. (Downtown Evansville), Evansville.

Contact: Jack Zahn, 812-867-5855

E-mail: jzahn@brake.com

Website: www.evansvillestampclub.com

Michigan**October 19-20**

MOTOPEX 13 Motor City Stamp & Cover Club, Sokol Hall, 23600 W. Warren Ave., Dearborn Heights.

Contact: Robert Quintero, 248-546-0038

E-mail: qover@comcast.net

Website: www.motorcitystampandcover.com

Virginia**October 19-20**

Fairfax STAMPFEST Elk's Club, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Rt. 50 (3/4 mile west of I-495), Fairfax.

B

Contact: Jack Ott, 888-297-3536

E-mail: jackott@comcast.net

Website: www.jackottstamps.com

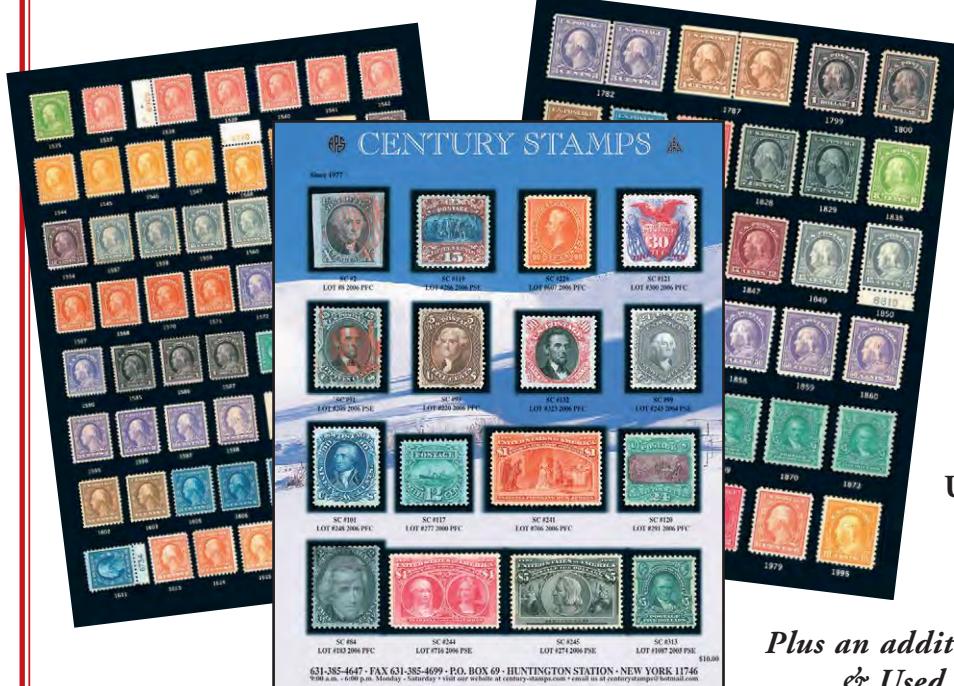
Connecticut**October 20**

THAMESPEX 2013 Thames Stamp Club, Clark Lane Middle School, 105 Clark Lane, Waterford.

Contact: Bill McMurray, 860-535-3668

E-mail: mcmurraync3@att.net

Send for Our United States Current Catalog in Full Color!



164-page catalog
now with thousands
of graded stamps
from PSE & PF.

If you collect SUPERB,
XF or VF stamps,
This Catalog
is a MUST!

U.S. Stamps from 1847-1938
Over 3,000 STAMPS!!
ALL in full Color!!

Plus an additional listing of 2,000 Mint
& Used Stamps also enclosed.

Check out our Catalog on the web: www.century-stamps.com
Send \$3.00 Catalog Sent Priority Mail!

160 Pages!!

Outside the U.S. enclose \$8.00. Limit 1 catalog per request.

CENTURY STAMPS

35 Years of Quality & Service



P.O. Box 69, Dept. A

Huntington Station, NY 11746

Phone: 631-385-4647 Fax: 631-385-4699
E-mail: centurystamps@hotmail.com

Please rush my catalog to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Index of Advertisers

Academy Stamp and Autograph	974	Dallas-Parke Cities Philatelic Society	972	H.J.W. Daugherty	974	Rasdale Stamp Co.	909
Antonio M. Torres	978	Daniel F. Kelleher Auctions, LLC	917	H.R. Harmer GPN, Inc.	893	Regency-Superior Auctions	889
APS:		Davidson's Stamp Service	974	Hugh Freeman	974	Richard Friedberg Stamps	973
AMERISTAMP EXPO 2014	C2	Delcampe International	C5	Hungaria Stamp Exchange	983	Richard Pyznar	959
Estate Advice — Including APS in Your Will	974	Denali Stamp Co.	972	Ideal Stamp Co.	962	Rising Sun Stamps	970
Expertizing	913	Don S. Cal	970	Interasia Auctions Ltd	927	RUBBER STAMPS	974
Insurance Plan	975	Downeast Stamps	970	Jack Nalbandian, Inc.	968	Rushstamps (Retail) Ltd.	978
Internet Sales — StampStore	954	Dr. Robert Friedman & Sons Stamps	899	James T. McCusker, Inc.	974	Sandafayre (Holdings) Ltd.	957
Sales Circuit Books Division	C8	Dutch Country Auctions	900	Kay & Company	972	Saskatoon Stamp Centre	968
STAMPCRUISE 2014	963	Earl P.L. Apfelbaum, Inc.	967	Kristal Kare, Inc.	962	Scott A. Shaulis	974
Stamps Teach	C7, 964–965	Eastern Auctions Ltd	914	Laurence L. Winum	978	Sismondo Experts/ The Classic Collector	966
Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship (YPLF)	961	Edward D. Younger Co.	902–903, 904–905	Michael Eastick & Associates Pty. Ltd.	974	Space Cover Store	974
Argyll Etkin Limited	978	Eric Jackson	916	Miller's Stamp Company	974	stampsinc	974
Auktionshaus Christoph Gärtner GmbH & Co. KG	907	E.S.J. van Dam Ltd.	974	Mountainside Stamps, Coins and Currency	983	Stephen T. Taylor	966
Bellmore Philatelics	953	F & J Collectibles	974	Mowbray Collectables Ltd.	974	Steve Cripe	974
bidStart	973	FLOREX 2013 Stamp Show & Exhibition	974	Mystic Stamp Company	C4, 971	Suburban Stamp Inc.	973
Brookman/Barrett & Worthen	942	Frank Bachenheimer	974	New England Stamp	974	Subway Stamp Shop, Inc.	897
Century Stamps	969	Gary Posner, Inc.	943	Northland International Trading, LLC	929	The Washington Press	916
CHICAGOPEX 2013 Stamp Show & Exhibition	912	Gene Stewart Stamp Company	974	Palo Albums Inc.	959	Tropical Stamps Inc.	978
Colonial Stamp Company	978	Gregg Nelson Stamps	974	Patricia A. Kaufmann	942	UPA Universal Philatelic Auctions	958
Columbian Stamp Co. Inc.	911	Have Tongs Will Travel	C6	Penny Black Stamp Company	978	Vance Auctions, Ltd.	910
Cover Collector Store	974	HB Philatelics	942	Philasearch	901	Varisell	978
		Heinrich Köhler Auktionshaus GmbH & Co. KG	949	Philaton	974	Westminster Stamp Gallery, Ltd.	978
				Quality Stamps	908	WESTPEX 2014 Stamp Show & Exhibition	968

AUCTIONS

Especially for Collectors

Our next auction is
October 9, 2013
Sale 283



- U.S. & Worldwide Stamps
- U.S. EFOs & FDCs
- U.S. Fancy Cancels
- U.S. & Worldwide Postal History incl. stampless covers & illustrated advertising
- Philatelic Literature
- Autographs & More

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

DNOWEST STAMPS

52 Fern Street • Bangor, ME 04401-5599
1-207-942-3825 • Fax 207-942-0808
E-mail: bids@destamps.com

www.destamps.com

Yes!

You can complete Post-War France

We offer year sets at competitive prices for

Monaco Austria & Hungary Liechtenstein Switzerland

as well as

West Germany Re-United & Berlin East Germany

Contact us today!

Don S. Cal

PO Box 1732

Port Angeles, WA 98362-0089

Tel: 1 (250) 383-6211 • Fax: 1 (250) 383-6288

www.DonSCal.com

Dealer member APS since 1985

Buying China: Imperial, PR China, Taiwan

Classics, Covers & Stamps

PR China Needed

Buy price is for Mint NH, XF condition

#1054-57	\$250
#1067-75 unfld	\$240
#1095-98	\$100
#1211-14	\$250
#1383a	\$400
#1399	\$400
#1433	\$260
#1452	\$280
#1483	\$110
#1492	\$450
#1518	\$1,600
#1540	\$150
#1586	\$1,300
#1607e Bklt	\$450
#1647a Bklt	\$200



We buy other stamps not listed, also FDCs & covers.

Rising Sun Stamps

P.O. Box 716 • Marshalls Creek, PA 18335-0716

Phone: (Cell) 570-350-4393

E-mail: haruyo_baker@msn.com

Internet **October 22-November 19**
 Basic Stamp Collecting Course Online Course
 (4 weeks). *APS*
 Contact: Gretchen Moody, 814-933-3803
 E-mail: gretchen@stamps.org
 Website: www.stampcampus.org

Oklahoma **October 25-26**
 OKPEX Oklahoma City Stamp Club, Express
 Events Center, 8512 NW Expressway,
 Oklahoma City. *WSP*
 Contact: Joe Crosby, 405-990-2389
 E-mail: joecrosby@cox.net
 Website: www.okcsc.org

Pennsylvania **October 26**
 Fall Stamp Expo Cumberland Valley Philatelic
 Society, Eugene C. Clark, Jr. Community

Center, 235 S. Third Street, Chambersburg.
 B
 Contact: Quinn Witherspoon, 717-264-1252
 E-mail: rspran@pa.net

Arkansas **October 26-27**
 PINPEX 2013 Pinnacle Stamp Club of
 Arkansas, Jacksonville Community Center, #5
 Municipal Drive, Jacksonville. *B*
 Contact: Ann Austen, 501-868-4553
 E-mail: anniephant@aol.com

California **October 26-27**
 East Bay Collectors Club 68th Annual
 Show East Bay Collectors Club, Civic Center,
 1375 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek.
 Contact: Randy Tuuri, 510-653-3471
 E-mail: tuurifam@comcat.net

Florida **October 26-27**
 FSDA Fall Sarasota Stamp Show Florida
 Stampdealers Assoc. & Venice & Sarasota
 Stamp Clubs, Sahib Shriners Ball Room, 600
 N. Beneva Road, Sarasota. *B*
 Contact: Sheldon Rogg, 727-364-6897
 E-mail: h.rogg@verizon.net

Massachusetts **October 26-27**
 WALPEX 2013 Waltham Stamp Club,
 Minuteman Science-Technology High School,
 748 Marrett Road, Route 2A West, Exit 30B off
 I-95/128 then second left, Lexington.
 Contact: Norm Shufrin, 508-877-3296
 E-mail: normshu@verizon.net
 Website: www.walpex.org



Sheet Stamp



Die Cut 11



Die Cut 11.5x11.75



Die Cut 9.8

Booklet Stamps



Square Corners
Die Cut 9.8
Coil Stamps



Round Corners
Die Cut 9.8

1999 Flag Over City Stamps

Special Collector's Mint Set Includes 7 Varieties

Bold "Flag Over City" stamps are a favorite among collectors – it's fun to identify each variety!

Order Now and Save 35%

Act now and you can own our special collector's set of seven mint Flag Over City stamps for just \$5.95. You'll save more than \$3 as you make your collection grow!

Send today and you'll also receive special collector's information and other interesting stamps on approval. Limit one offer. Your satisfaction is guaranteed.

1999 Flag Over City Mint Set

Yes! Send me the special collector's set of 7 mint Flag Over City stamps. Enclosed is \$5.95. Limit one set. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Quick Order at MysticAd.com/IS120

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Check or money order enclosed *NY State residents add correct sales tax.

VISA MasterCard Exp. Date: ____ / ____

--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Send coupon with \$5.95 to: Mystic Stamp Company
 Dept. IS120, 9700 Mill St., Camden, NY 13316-9111

Dallas Area Collectors

Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society invites you to visit us.

Trade, Sell, Buy/Learn & Share
Guests & New Members
are always welcome

2nd & 4th Wednesdays — 7:30 p.m.
(except the 4th Wednesday in Nov. & Dec.)

Edgemere Retirement Center,
8523 Thackery St., Dallas, Texas
Visit us online: www.texashphilatelic.org/chapters/dallasparkcities

France, Germany, Austria, Monaco,
Liechtenstein, Switzerland,
Fr. Andorra, Fr. Polynesia,
FSAT, St. Pierre

Request the price lists of your choice,
or order from our website at
www.Denalistamps.com/aps.html

Denali Stamp Co.
1161-A Overland Lane, Lincoln, CA 95648
info@denalistamps.com

MINT BRITISH COMMONWEALTH 1840-1952

We have an extensive
stock of mint
British sets and singles,
1840-1952



See our website for a new stock
of nh airmails, China, and Russia.



Kay & Company
BOX 5545, Bend, OR 97708
kayandco@msn.com
ph/fax: 541-312-4263
kaystamps.com



Advertisers Online

Academy Stamp and Autograph www.academystamp.com
Antonio M. Torres www.antoniotorres.com
APS: www.stamps.org/AmeriStamp-Expo
AMERISTAMP Expo www.stamps.org/Stamp-Identification
Awards www.stamps.org/awards
Development/Donations www.stamps.org/Donate
Education Department www.stamps.org/Seminars-and-Courses
Estate Advice www.stamps.org/Estate-Advice
Expertizing www.stamps.org/Stamp-Authentification
Guarantee/Quick I.D. www.stamps.org/Stamp-Identification
Insurance Plan www.hughwood.com
Internet Sales www.StampStore.org
Membership Application www.stamps.org/Join-Now
Sales Circuit Books Division www.stamps.org/Buy-and-Sell-By-Mail
StampCruise www.cruise-works.com
StampShow www.stamps.org/Stampshow
Stamps Teach www.stamps.org/Stamps-Teach
Summer Seminar Registration www.stamps.org/Seminars-and-Courses
Young Philatelic Leaders Fellowship/YPLF www.stamps.org/Young-Philatelic-Leaders
Young Stamp Collectors of America/YSCA www.stamps.org/YSCA
Argyll Etkin Limited www.argyll-etkin.com
Auktionshaus Christoph Gärtner GmbH & Co. KG www.auktionen-gaertner.de
Bellmore Philatelics stores.ebay.com/bell2more33
bidStart www.bidStart.com
Brookman Barrett & Worthen www.coverspecialist.com
Century Stamps www.century-stamps.com
CHICAGOPEX 2013 Stamp Show & Exhibition www.chicagopex.com
Colonial Stamp Company www.colonialstampcompany.com
Columbian Stamp Co., Inc. www.columbianstamp.com
Cover Collector Store www.covercollectorstore.com
Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society www.dpccps2010.webs.com
Daniel F. Kelleher Auctions, LLC www.kelleherauctions.com

Davidson's Stamp Service www.newstampissues.com
Delcampe International www.delcampe.net
Denali Stamp Co. www.denalistamps.com/aps.html
Don S. Cal www.DonSCal.com
Downeast Stamps www.destamps.com
Dr. Robert Friedman & Sons Stamps www.drbobfriedmanstamps.com
Dutch Country Auctions www.thestampcenter.com
Earl P.L. Apfelbaum, Inc. www.apfelbauminc.com
Eastern Auctions Ltd. www.easternstamps.com
Edward D. Younger Co. www.edwardyoungers.com
Eric Jackson www.ericjackson.com
E.S.J. Van Dam, Ltd. www.canadarevenuestamps.com
F & J Collectibles www.jimjh.com
Frank Bachenheimer www.astampdealer4u.com
Gary J. Lyon (Philatelist) Ltd. www.garylyon.com
Gary Posner, Inc. www.garyposnerinc.com
Gregg Nelson Stamps www.greggnelsonstamps.com
HB Philatelics www.hbphilatelics.com
Heinrich Köhler Auktionshaus GmbH & Co. KG www.heinrich-kohler.de
H.J.W. Daugherty www.hjwdonline.com
H.R. Harmer GPN, Inc. www.hrharmer.com
Hungaria Stamp Exchange www.hungarianstamps.com
Ideal Stamp Co. idealny.com
IGPC Inter-Governmental Philatelic Corporation www.IGPC.com
Interasia Auctions Ltd www.interasia-auctions.com
International Philippine Philatelic Society www.theipps.info
Jack Nalbandian, Inc. www.nalbandstamp.com
James E. Lee www.jameslee.com
James T. McCusker, Inc. www.jamesmccusker.com
Kay & Company www.kaystamps.com
Kristal Kare, Inc. www.protectivepockets.com
Michael Eastick & Associates Pty. Ltd. www.michaaleastick.com
Miller's Stamp Company www.millerstamps.com
Momen Stamps www.momenstamps.com

Mountainside Stamps, Coins and Currency www.mountainsidestamps.com
Mowbray Collectables Ltd. www.mowbrays.co.nz
Mystic Stamp Company www.mysticstamp.com
New England Stamp www.NewEnglandStamp.com
Northland International Trading, LLC www.northstamp.com
Palo Albums Inc. www.paloalbums.com
Patricia A. Kaufmann www.webuystamps.com
Penny Black Stamp Company www.pennyblackstamp.com
PhilaGallery www.philagallery.com
Philasearch www.Philasearch.com
Quality Stamps www.BuyingQualityStamps.com
Rasdale Stamp Co. www.rasdalestamps.com
Regency-Superior Auctions www.RegencySuperior.com
Richard Friedberg Stamps www.friedbergstamps.com
Richard Pyznar www.richardpyznar.com
RUBBER STAMPS www.wcp-nm.com
Rushstamps (Retail) Ltd. www.rushstamps.co.uk
Sandafayre Stamp Auctions www.sandafayre.com
Saskatoon Stamp Centre www.saskatoonstamp.com
Scott A. Shaulis www.shaulisstamps.com
Sismondo Experts/The Classic Collector www.sismondostamps.com
Space Cover Store www.spacecoverstore.com
stampsinc. www.stampsinc.com
Stephen T. Taylor www.stephentaylor.co.uk
Steve Cripe www.gradestamps.com
Subway Stamp Shop, Inc. www.subwaystamp.com
The Washington Press www.washpress.com
UPA Universal Philatelic Auctions www.UPAstampauuctions.co.uk
Vance Auctions Ltd. www.vanceauctions.com
Varisell www.Varisell.com
Westminster Stamp Gallery, Ltd. www.westminsterstamp.com
WESTPEX 2014 Stamp Show & Exhibition www.westpex.org

Ohio **October 26-27**
CUY-LORPEX 2013 Cuy-Lor Stamp Club, Rocky River Civic Center: Memorial Hall, 21016 Hilliard Boulevard, Rocky River.
Contact: Stan Fairchild, 440-333-2536
E-mail: cuylorstampclub@hotmail.com
Website: www.virtualstampclub.com/apschap_cuylor.html

Wisconsin **October 26-27**
TOSAPEX 2013 Wauwatosa Philatelic Society, Inc., Gonzaga Hall, 1435 S. 92nd Street, West Allis. *B*
Contact: Carol Schutta, 262-388-1453
E-mail: harryncarolschutta@gmail.com

Connecticut **October 27**
Fourth Sunday Stamp Show New Haven Philatelic Society, Annex YMA Hall, 554 Woodward Ave., New Haven. *B*
Contact: Brian McGrath, 203-627-6874
E-mail: hukeda@comcast.net
Website: www.NHPS1914.org/

Internet **October 28- January 6**
Keys to Exhibiting Course Online Course (10 weeks). *APS*
Contact: Gretchen Moody, 814-933-3803
E-mail: gretchen@stamps.org
Website: www.stampcampus.org

For a complete listings of shows and events, visit:
www.stamps.org>Show-Calendar



John Paul Jones

1789B, Rare perf 12X12,
Never Hinged, Extremely Fine, PF Cert
\$2,800.00
3 copies available

Suburban Stamp Inc.

P.O. Box 715 • Springfield, MA 01101
413-785-5348
E-mail: suburbanstamp@verizon.net

RICHARD FRIEDBERG STAMPS

Buyers & sellers of great U.S. revenue stamps for more than 35 years.

**Let us help you build
YOUR collection!**



R695 XF, small neat perfin cancel, \$550

*See our website for a great selection
of Documentary Stamps*

310 Chestnut St. • Meadville, PA 16335
Phone: 814-724-5824 • FAX: 814-337-8940
E-Mail: richard@friedbergstamps.com • Website: www.friedbergstamps.com

www.bidStart.com
Buy & Sell Stamps Online

Now With Over

5 Million Listings

bidStart is an online marketplace and community connecting buyers and sellers of collectibles; including stamps, postcards, coins, sports cards and more; offering auction & fixed price items. Formerly known as StampWants, we have been in business since 2005; currently have over 5 Million active listings and average over 75,000 sales per month. We pride ourselves on unrivaled customer support, quality listings, low selling fees and easy to use tools and services for both buyers & sellers.



COVERS
1000's in stock! • Easy to navigate website.
www.covercollectorstore.com

High Quality
Reasonable Prices
www.academystamp.com
US • Worldwide • Collections

SPACE COVERS
Mercury, Gemini, Apollo, Shuttle, Skylab
Apollo-Soyuz, Beck, Goldcraft, Space Craft
Prime Recovery Ships, PDC, X-15, Satellites, Pioneer
Discoverer, Mariner, Ranger, Atlas, Vanguard, Viking
and many, many others.
1000's in stock
24 hours a day
www.spacecoverstore.com

NEW ISSUE SERVICE - No Frills, Nothing Fancy
~ Just dependable service since 1970 ~
Reliable, affordable, worldwide standing order new issue service.
Complete topical coverage. Visa/MasterCard accepted.
Write today for full details.

◆ DAVIDSON'S STAMP SERVICE ◆
P.O. Box 36355 • Indianapolis, IN 46236-0355 • Phone: 317-826-2620
E-mail: Ed-Davidson@earthlink.net • Online: www.newstampissues.com

Mexico

www.greggnelsonstamps.com
707-579-5000

**CANADA REVENUES • DUCKS
SEMI-OFFICIAL AIRMAILS**
Lavishly illustrated ReveNews on request
or see in full color at
www.canadarevenuestamps.com

E.S.J. van Dam Ltd.
P.O. Box 300-P, Bridgenorth, Ont., Canada K0L 1H0 • 1-866-EVANDAM

Quality U.S. Stamps

Competitive Prices
Scott A. Shaulis
P.O. Box 549 • Murrysville, PA 15668
scott@shaulisstamps.com • www.shaulisstamps.com

stevecrippen
gradedstamps.com
the graded stamp marketplace

RUBBER STAMPS
TRADITIONAL & SELF-INKING
CUSTOMER SERVICE & ORDERS CALL TOLL-FREE
1-877-373-1212
MOST ORDERS SHIP WITHIN 24 HOURS
Visit us online: WCP-NM.COM

Australia - British Commonwealth
Buying Stamps & Postal History Selling from \$5 to \$50,000 - Simplified to Specialized

Michael Eastick & Associates Pty. Ltd.
PO Box 414 Blackburn, Vic 3130, Australia
Ph: 011 613 9894 8561 Fax: 011 613 9894 8561
Email: michael@michaaleastick.com

www.michaaleastick.com

AUCTIONS WITH A DIFFERENCE
Postal history, revenues, BOB, paper Americana, even postage stamps.
Write for next catalogue.

H.J.W. DAUGHERTY
P.O. Box 1146-AP Eastham, MA 02642

New Zealand's Leading Auction House
offers you free monthly postal auctions with 3000+ lots!
Join our mailing list NOW!

www.mowbraycollectables.co.nz
Private Bag 63000, Wellington,
New Zealand 6140
Ph: + 64 6 364 8270 • mowbray.stamps@xtra.co.nz

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH
All Periods • Free Price Lists
Good prices, personal service & quick delivery.
E-mail jimjih@verizon.net
On web at www.jimjih.com

F&J Collectibles - Dept. AP
PO Box 3184 • Henrico, VA 23228

When in Naples (Florida)
stop in and examine our large stock of U.S. and Foreign Stamps, Covers, Collections, Wholesale Lots

NEW ENGLAND STAMP
4987 Tamiami Trail East
Village Falls Professional Ctr., Naples, FL 34113
Ph: 239-732-8000 Fax: 239-732-7701
www.NewEnglandStamp.com

Updating Your Will?
Please consider including the APS or APRL
Need help? Contact us at 814-933-3803

INDIAN STATES EXCLUSIVELY
STAMPS INC. APS • ASDA • PTS
PO Box 8689 CRANSTON, RI 02920
401 490 0603 FAX: 401 369 9215
INFO@STAMPSINC.COM

FLOREX 2013
THE FLORIDA STATE STAMP SHOW
December 6, 7 & 8 2013
Orlando, FL
FLOREXStampShow.com
show@FLOREXStampShow.com

James T. McCusker, Inc. U.S. FDC Specialist
BUYING and SELLING
Auctions and Shopping
www.jamesmccusker.com

ASDA • APS Call toll-free 800-852-0076 ATA • AFDCS
804 Broadway, Raynham, MA 02767-1797

Postal History?
Discover
www.philaton.com
...a world of
stamp auctions on line!

Dear Collector/Dealer,
I need help in seeking these items to complete
collection. Please e-mail me with details of
what you can offer.

NEW SOUTH WALES Scott #27-31a, 38-42b, O18
only with NUMERAL Cancels in Rays or Bars sought.

— HUGH FREEMAN • APS #134734 —
Send scans to: hhf@optusnet.com.au • Call: 61-2-99775635
P.O. Box 1102 Manly, NSW 1655 AUSTRALIA

BUY & SELL QUALITY U.S.
Visit our website www.millerstamps.com

DARN! I should have bought my stamps from
MILLER'S STAMP CO.
860-739-9989 • E-mail: stamps@millerstamps.com

U.S. REVENUES
R1 to RZ18, Telegraphs, Tax Paids, Possessions
Whether you want that elusive issue to complete
a set or sell your collections. Free price list.

FRANK BACHENHEIMER
ARA
APS
Box 230, Glenview, IL 60025 • Ph: 847-480-1880
www.astampdealer4u.com • frankb@astampdealer4u.com

**Reserve Your
Space Today!**
814-933-3818
hlbruno@stamps.org

BUY • SELL • TRADE
Gene Stewart Stamp Co.
Worldwide Stamps
Specializing in Germany

4729 Idaho Avenue
Saint Louis, MO 63111
(314) 481-9098
genestamps@charter.net

It can be a jungle out there!

We've Got YOUR Back!

Major Causes for Philatelic Loss

- Fire • Theft • Water
- Travel • Shipping
- Accidental Damage
- Other

Toll Free: 1-888-APS-6494

Online: www.hughwood.com

Call today! One of our specialists will be happy to answer your questions and assist you in becoming a member of the APS Insurance Program.

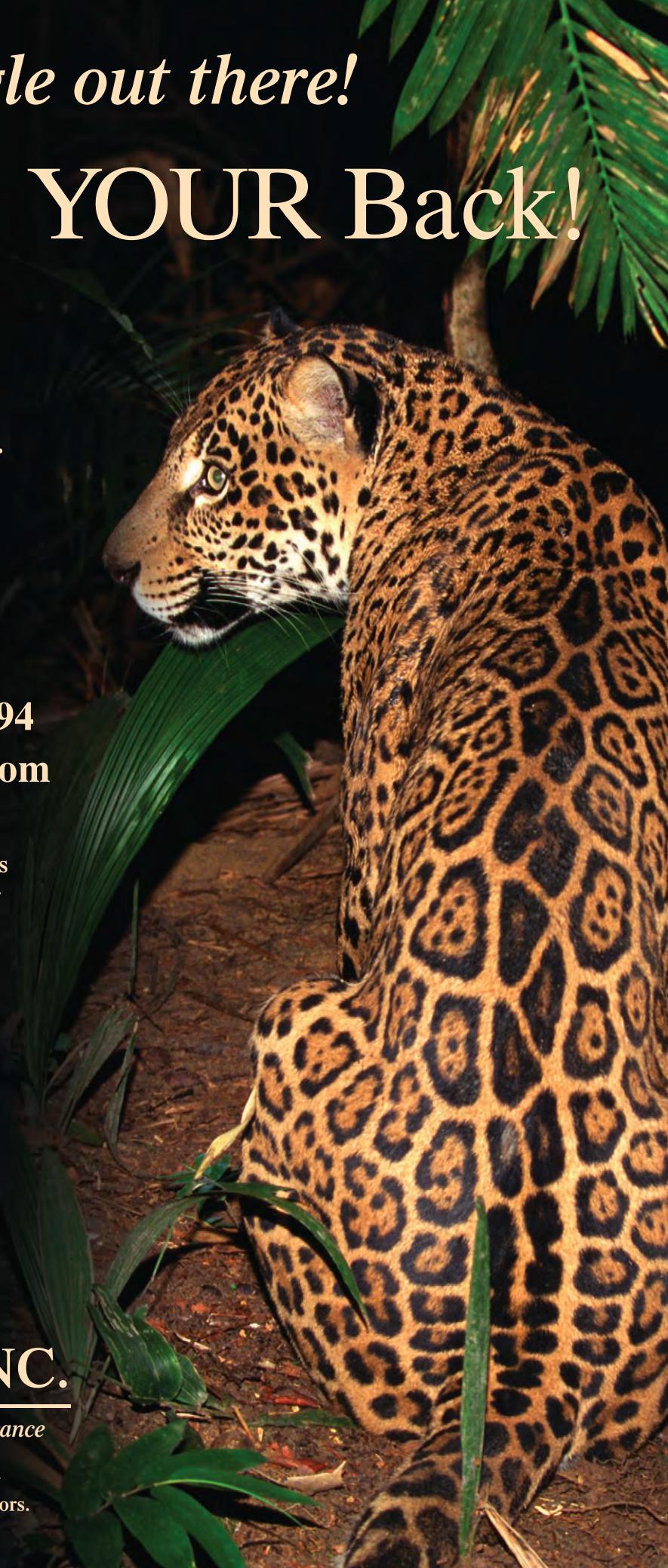
- Same *Low* Rates
- Quality Service
- Excellent Coverage



HUGH WOOD, INC.

The world's leading provider of stamp insurance

HWI/APS Stamp Insurance is exclusively for APS members, designed by collectors for collectors.





Membership Report

NEW APPLICANTS

The following applications were received during August 2013. If no objections are received by the Executive Director (814-933-3803), prior to October 31, 2013, these applicants will be admitted to membership and notice to this effect will appear in the December 2013 issue.

Abraham, Naif Z. (222024) **Liverpool, NY**; 64
 Abrams, Terri M. (222104) **Woodstock, IL**; 57;
 Financial Advisor
 Ally, J.R. Raymond (222128) **Shingle Springs, CA**
 US-FISH/MARINE LIFE
 Aschom, Norbert (222170) **Prairie Du Chien, WI**
 FDC-WORLDWIDE; 73; Retired
 Bahadoor, Youssuf M. (222072) **Mississauga, AB**
 MAURITIUS-FRANCE-CANADA-POSTAL HISTORY-CENTRAL AMERICA-US CLASSICS
 Balter, Konstantin (222115) **San Francisco, CA** US
 19TH & 20TH C, RUSSIA/USSR/INDEPENDENT REPUBLICS-CHINA-PRC-BRITISH
 COMMONWEALTH; 63; Coin & Stamp Dealer
 Bartel, Steve (222220) **Manchester, WA** PRE 1944
 US CLASSICS; 68; Retired
 Bashner, Sol (222152) **Marlboro, NJ**; 81; Retired
 Baud, Edward (222149) **Vero Beach, FL** US AIR
 MAILS, PARCEL POST, 19TH & 20TH C; 74
 Bednar, Edmund (222181) **Accoekk, MD** US-
 CANADA; 75; Retired
 Bekken-Kostka, Morgana H. (222090) **Thompson Falls, MT** US-WORLDWIDE; 40; Stamp Dealer
 Berel, Kathy (222182) **Alameda, CA** WATERFALLS-DAM-WINE-GRAPES-ORCHIDS; 60; Retired
 Bican, Cheryl (222169) **Palm Springs, CA** US
 DUCK/HUNTING/FISHING; 46; Personal
 Assistant
 Bodine, Claudia G. (222116) **Milwaukee, WI**; 70;
 Artist/Librarian
 Bono, Peter R. (222136) **Yarmouth Port, MA**
 BIRDS; 68; Computer Scientist
 Bowden, Jerry E. (222155) **North Ogden, UT** US-
 CANADA-FALKLAND ISLAND-CANAL ZONE-UK; 63; Master Plumber
 Brake, Kevin L. (222205) **Moline, IL** US-UN-
 COMMEMORATIVE PANELS; 57; Programmer/
 Analyst
 Braun, Rachel (222206) **Silver Spring, MD**
 ISRAEL-MATH; Teacher
 Bregenzer, Ray (222183) **Waldport, OR** MINT US;
 86; Retired
 Brooks, Jerry C. (222196) **Atlanta, GA** VATICAN
 CITY-AMATEUR/HAM RADIO-ASTRONOMY-RAILROADS; Retired
 Brown, Jack M. (222081) **Davenport, IA** USED
 BAHAMAS-BARBADOS-BERMUDA-IRAQ; 64;
 Retired

Brown, James A. (222053) **Flint Township, MI**
 ART-SCIENCE; Physician
 Buchanan LaBare, Myra L. (222125) **Fort Wayne, IN** US COMMEMORATIVES/PANELS, DEFINITIVES, AIR MAILED, FDC, CUT SQUARES; 56
 Burke, Bryan E. (222148) **Hackettstown, NJ** US
 COMMEMORATIVES, DEFINITIVES-IRELAND-VATICAN CITY; 75
 Buru, Brian (222193) **Arncliffe, NSW, Australia** SAMOA
 Byars, Alan E. (222137) **Midland, TX**
 Carnovale, Norman (222202) **Biloxi, MS**; 52;
 Business Owner
 Carr, John (222122) **Washington Crossing, PA**
 Cawley, Russell R. (222127) **Idaho Falls, ID**
 AMATEUR/HAM RADIO-US FDC, BLOCKS/GUIDELINE BLOCKS; 85; Retired
 Chandler, William A. (222171) **Marietta, GA** USED
 US; 68; Retired
 Choonatt Gopalakurup, Arun Kumar (222132)
 Glen Allen, VA; 36
 Christopher, Arthur R. (222146) **New Hartford, NY** US, COMMEMORATIVES; Retired
 Consigli, Robert (222054) **Cooperstown, NY** SHIPS; 73; Retired
 Crow, Jerry L. (222138) **Bay City, MI** NAVAL COVERS-CIVIL WAR POSTAL HISTORY-CONFEDERATES; 63; Retired
 Dahl, Ruth M. (222091) **Union Grove, WI** WORLDWIDE; 56; Farmers Wife
 Dale, Michael (222042) **Burnsville, NC** US
 COMMEMORATIVES
 Davis, Fred (222073) **Florence, SC** US 19TH C, AIR
 MAILS, BUREAU ISSUES, COMMEMORATIVES, DEFINITIVES, DUCK/HUNTING/FISHING; 40;
 Minister
 Dixon, Stephen S. (222055) **Englewood, CO**; 64;
 Attorney
 Dougherty, Daniel C. (222092) **Bayside, WI**; 65;
 Retired
 Downard, Gary (222056) **Prescott, AZ** US; 70;
 Retired
 Downs, James W. (222207) **Circleville, OH** MINT
 US SINGLES, PLATE BLOCKS; 63; Retired
 Dunlop, Michael L. (222044) **Normandy Park, WA**; 67; Retired
 Eft, Judith A. (222047) **Milwaukee, WI** US-HOLOCAUST (CONCENTRATION CAMPS); Retired
 Elkins, Robert (222201) **Jacksonville Beach, FL** US AIR MAILED, FDC, PLATE BLOCKS, COIL LINE PAIRS, DEFINITIVES, COMMEMORATIVES; 72

NEW MEMBERS

Applications 221560, 221840 through 221902 as previously published have been accepted for membership by the Board of Vice Presidents.

SUMMARY

Total Membership, July 31, 2013	31,888
New Members	64
Reinstated	141
	205
Chapter Disbanded.....	1
Deceased.....	11
Resignations.....	2
Total Membership, Aug. 31, 2013	32,079

Elsenbeck, Gary F. (222049) **Lee Center, NY** US
 COMMEMORATIVES, AIR MAILED, 19TH C,
 POSTAGE DUE, DUCK/HUNTING/FISHING,
 PLATE BLOCKS; 65; Retired
 Elshaug, Sune (222078) **Olso, Norway** NORWAY-GREENLAND-THAILAND; 44
 Engel, Jason M. (222135) **Columbus, NE** US FD
 PROGRAMS, 19TH & 20TH C-MILITARY MAIL-WORLD WAR II-MILITARY; 33; Student
 Esposito, James (222139) **Shelton, CT**; 65
 Fedewicz, Michael J. (222153) **Woodbridge, NJ**; 66; Retired
 Fiero, Carel A. (222156) **Victoria, TX** US-ELVIS-PRINCESS DIANA-DINOSAURS-HOLYLAND; 66;
 Retired
 Finlay, Timothy J. (222105) **Palatine, IL** PRE 1957
 WORLDWIDE-BRAZIL; 56
 Floyd, Steven W. (222106) **Milwaukee, WI** US,
 PRESIDENTS; 55; Teacher
 Foster, Rick (222040) **Abingdon, IL** US, FDC-VATICAN CITY-UNITED NATIONS
 Foutch, Dolores (222208) **Waynesville, NC** US;
 63; Retired
 Franklin, Alliene T. (222213) **Granbury, TX**
 LINCOLN-HORSES-PENGUINS-US, POSTAL STATIONERY; 69
 Gardner, Alan S. (222172) **Media, PA**; 85
 Gatsis, Bob (J-222117) **Bull Valley, IL** DISNEY; 16;
 Student
 Geisert, James (222051) **Orange, CA** US
 COMMEMORATIVES, DEFINITIVES, DUCK/HUNTING/FISHING; 68

Visit www.stamps.org

Member Monthly Specials • The AP • Back Issues 2007–2012 • Free Album Pages • Reference Collection Sneak Peeks
 Free Philatelic Computer Wallpaper • New Stamp Issues • and much more!

- Gessert, Charles E. (222093) **Duluth, MN**
WORLDWIDE-WARTIME OCCUPATION; 67;
Retired
- Gillette, John (222057) **Santa Cruz, CA** US; 74;
Retired
- Girard, William (222195) **Tyler, TX** US COILS,
COMMEMORATIVES; 66
- Gobin, Harvey (222184) **Waldo, FL**; 66
- Goldblum, Morton H. (222185) **Henderson, NV**
FRANCE-GERMANY; 66; Retired
- Grams, Christian M. (J-222082) **Third Lake, IL**; 14;
Student
- Grandberry, Marie B. (222094) **Milwaukee, WI**;
69; Retired
- Grant, David (222080) **Raleigh, NC**; 65
- Greenberg, Brian J. (222107) **Chicago, IL**; 42;
Technologist
- Greenberg, Neil (222079) **Miami, FL** ISRAEL-
FLIGHT COVERS-AVIATION; Retired
- Haerr, Robert W. (222186) **Terre Haute, IN**; 63;
Physician
- Haire, Benjamin H. (222068) **Coral Springs, FL**
US-CANADA-AUSTRALIA; 65; Retired
- Hartman, Daryl (222187) **Visalia, CA**; 71; Retired
- Hartog, Albert (222176) **Orlando, FL** US 19TH
& 20TH C, AIR MAILED, BLOCKS/GUIDELINE
BLOCKS, COILS, FDC
- Hazen, Isaac (222157) **Cincinnati, OH** US-
WORLDWIDE; Self Employed
- Heil, Karen (222095) **Chicago, IL** WORLDWIDE;
54; Small Business Owner
- Henderson, Lynne (222058) **Galloway, OH** US,
SHEETS, FDC; 64; Retired
- Hoffman, Andrew (222063) **Ann Arbor, MI**
US 19TH & 20TH C, REVENUES/TAX PAIDS
(FEDERAL)
- Howland, Charles W. (222108) **Madison, WI**
POSTAL HISTORY-ASIA-WORLDWIDE; 73;
Retired
- Hudson, James T. (222158) **Holbrook, NY** 1930-
2013 US; 72; Retired
- Huxman, Dennis D. (222159) **Moundridge, KS**
US; 63; Chaplain
- Inabinett, Reese A. (222151) **Huger, SC**
US, COMMEMORATIVES, SETENANTS,
DEFINITIVES, AIR MAILED-AMERICAN INDIANS;
67
- Johnson, Karen M. (222096) **Burlington, WI**;
Accountant
- Kane, Peter E. (222199) **Alameda, CA** 1920-1940;
80; Retired
- Kapavitch, Steve (222188) **Venice, FL** EARLY US-
WORLDWIDE-BOB; 64; Retired
- Kauzlarich, Pamela C. (222083) **Durango, IA**; 62;
Retired
- Keefe, Daniel (222041) **Mendham, NJ** CHINA; 54
- Kempf, Joseph H. (222045) **Indianapolis, IN**; 72;
Textbook Buyer
- Kettemann, Lawrence F. (222084) **Sebring, FL**
US-WORLDWIDE; 64
- Knight, Cynthia M. (222059) **Mesquite, NV**
COMMEMORATIVES-FDC; 58; Zone Manager
- Knight, Robert H. (222134) **Sturbridge, MA** US,
DEFINITIVES, COMMEMORATIVES, AIR MAILED,
PARCEL POST; 72
- Kohut, Michael M. (222085) **North Ridgeville,
OH**; 44; Engineer
- Koptish, Allan (222198) **Wake Forest, NC** US
COMMEMORATIVES, BOOKLETS/PANES, PLATE
BLOCKS
- Kornman, Richard R. (222216) **Takapuna,
Auckland, New Zealand** KENYA/UGANDA/
TANZANIA/BRITISH AFRICA-ZANZIBAR; 63;
Director
- Krebs, Robert (222046) **Chula Vista, CA**
WORLDWIDE-US; 67; Retired
- Kurkiss, E. David (222037) **Bass River, MA**; 77;
Retired
- Kwiker, Anatol (222066) **Brooklyn, NY** US
COMMEMORATIVES, COILS, POSTAL CARDS,
AIR MAILED, FDC, PLATE SINGLES; 67
- Latta, Kevin (222178) **Northville, MI** US
REVENUES/TAX PAIDS, 19TH C, CLASSICS-
DANZIG
- Lawler, Edward P. (222097) **Kenosha, WI**; 55;
Teacher
- Leffler, David (222140) **Indianapolis, IN** OLDER
US-GERMANY-POLAND-DENMARK-NORWAY;
59; Retired
- Lehman, Jeremy T. (222141) **Clinton, IL** US; 43;
Funeral Director/Embalmer
- Leifer, Elihu I. (222154) **Chevy Chase, MD**
TOPICAL-US-GREAT BRITAIN-RUSSIA-
CANADA-ISRAEL; 73; Retired
- Li, Chunlei (222167) **Mc Lean, VA** US COVERS,
POSTAL CARDS-CHINA-PRC-CHINESE
TREATY PORTS-RUSSIA/USSR/INDEPENDENT
REPUBLICS
- Litewski, Patricia D. (222109) **Zion, IL**; 46;
Management Analyst
- Logan, Carol-Marie (222067) **Jeff, KY**; 46
- Lowe, Thomas E. (22209) **Morristown, TN** US,
FDC, PNC, SINGLES, PLATE BLOCKS; 74; Retired
- Makin, Don (222062) **Pennsauken, NJ**; 49
- Martinear, Marcus (222069) **Selma, AL**
WORLDWIDE; 29
- Matossian, Ron (222121) **Alhambra, CA** US,
DUCK/HUNTING/FISHING, COIL LINE PAIRS,
PLATE NUMBER COILS; 50; Teacher
- McGonigle, James W. (222219) **Westford, MA** US;
CFO/COO
- McKee, Jack (222131) **Brandon, MS** US; 66
- McLaughlin, John (222070) **Monticello, IL**
- Menezes, Mari-Lou A. (222110) **Northbrook, IL**
INDIA-WORLDWIDE; Banker
- Menezes, Sharon-Ann (222111) **Northbrook, IL**;
57; Consultant
- Meyers, Gloria J. (222071) **Reno, NV** US, FLIGHT
COVERS, PLATE BLOCKS, FD PROGRAMS,
SHEETS/SMALL PANES, POSTAL CARDS-
SCOTLAND
- Meyers, Stephen E. (222060) **San Diego, CA**; 60;
Programmer
- Miley, Miranda R. (Y-222118) **Bloomfield Hills, MI**
COVERS; 16; Student
- Montesion, John (222074) **Marlborough, MA** US,
19TH & 20TH C; 58
- Moore, Katherine (222036) **Black Mountain, NC**
- Moy, Nori M. (J-222112) **Sharewood, WI** BRITISH
COMMONWEALTH; 17; Student
- Murphy, Michelle (222179) **Kings Park,
NY** KOREA-CATS-ANIMALS-FLOWERS/
PLANTS-SHAKEPEARE-MUSIC/MUSICIANS/
INSTRUMENTS
- Nichols, Zalmer J. (222160) **Independence, MO**
US; 61; Retired
- Nyman, Clifford G. (222052) **Eastchester, NY**
- Oliver, John A. (222133) **Vernon, NJ** MALTA; 87;
Retired
- Orr, Michael J. (222217) **Yelm, WA** CLASSIC US &
WORLDWIDE; 65; Shopkeeper/Owner
- Perham, Steven J. (222113) **Waterford, WI**
CENTRAL AMERICA; 54; Sr. Project Manager
- Phillips, Jamie (222173) **Pueblo, CO** US-
WORLDWIDE-PLATE BLOCKS; 39
- Pittman, Roger (222038) **Carrollton, VA** US; 65;
Retired
- Popler, Kenneth (222174) **Staten Island, NY** US
19TH C-ISRAEL-UN; 67; Psychologist
- Porter, Don R. (222189) **Beaverton, OR**
WORLDWIDE; 64; Retired
- Posterneck, William C. (222086) **Deerfield, IL**
CANADA-US; 68
- Prieto, Thomas E. (222087) **Grafton, WI**; 58
- Prochnow, Dennis L. (222210) **Cedarburg, WI** US;
63; Tool & Die
- Proulx, Gary M. (222175) **Alameda, CA**; 67;
Retired
- Rees, Doug (222126) **Berkeley, CA** MALTA-US
CONFEDERATE STATES-GERMAN DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC
- Renn, Robert A. (222218) **Bossier City, LA** US
COMMEMORATIVES, DEFINITIVES, AIR MAILED,
PLATE BLOCKS; 79; Retired
- Rewerts, Steven E. (222142) **Hastings, NE** US-
WORLDWIDE; 58; Construction
- Riggs, Michael W. (222077) **Hancock, ME** US 19TH
& 20TH C, PLATE BLOCKS, PLATE NUMBER
COILS, ME POSTAL HISTORY; 60; Used Book
Dealer
- Roach, Kent E. (222211) **Bismarck, ND**; 50;
Laborer
- Roberts, Arthur E. (222177) **Tariffville, CT** US; 71;
Photographer
- Robinson, Drew (222114) **Grand Rapids, MI**
CANADA; 68; Retired
- Roblee, Michael E. (222088) **Sheboygan, WI** 1851
& 1957 US ONE CENT; 43; Sr. Programmer
Analyst
- Roblee, Scott H. (222089) **Elkhart Lake, WI**
1861 US THREE CENT, EARLY ISSUES, FANCY
CANCELS; 43; IT Support
- Rock, Douglas (222190) **Prather, CA**; 59; Retired
- Roesler, Oren J. (222098) **Brookfield, WI** US; 86;
Retired
- Rothacker, Thomas L. (222061) **Middlesex, NJ** US
CLASSICS, REVENUES/TAX PAIDS (FEDERAL),
TELEGRAPHS; 63; Retired
- Russell, Cassandra (222129) **Sarasota, FL** US
COMMEMORATIVES, AIR MAILED, CHRISTMAS
SEALS, CIVIL WAR COVERS, COVERS-OFFICIAL
SEALS; 49
- Sandoval, Ana R. (222099) **De Kalb, IL**
POSTCARDS; 28; Student
- Savoie, James (222075) **Lake Charles, LA** PRE
1940 US; 72; Retired
- Schaefer, C. H. (222115) **Davenport, IA** PRE 1940
US; 77; Retired
- Schmonsees, John (222203) **Greensboro, NC**
- Schommer, Robert W. (222100) **Racine, WI** US; 77
- Schuimer, Ted A. (222143) **Beachwood, OH** US;
80; Retired
- Schultz, Gordon M. (222101) **Franklin, WI**; 68;
Retired
- Schwartz, Richard (222039) **Vienna, VA** MINT US
COMMEMORATIVE SINGLES; 75; Physician
- Segura, Manuel M. (222130) **Wolfeboro Falls, NH**
US-SPAIN-COLOMBIA-CANADA-UN-SPANISH
COLONIES; 77; Retired
- Shangraw, Bernise A. (222144) **Mendon, MA**; 64;
Retired
- Sheffer, Charlie (222076) **Brentwood, CA** US,
METERS, STATIONERY, CUT SQUARES; 63;
Retired
- Shen, Julie (222168) **Los Angeles, CA**; 28
- Shepherd, Walter L. (222191) **Chapel Hill, NC** US
CIVIL WAR COVERS; 65; Consultant
- Siragusa, Gregory R. (222119) **Waukesha, WI**
SCOUTS-BREWING-KENYA-DENMARK; 53;
Research Microbiologist
- Slattery, Karen M. (222212) **Lynnfield, MA**
COMMEMORATIVES; 61; Registered Nurse
- Soucy, Dwight J. (222102) **Minneapolis, MN**
FRANCE-EUROPA-US; Textiles
- Spencer, Richard L. (222200) **Shawnee, OK** US;
71; People Greeter
- Stein, Peter D. (222150) **Gurnee, IL** US 19TH &
20TH C, COMMEMORATIVES; 60
- Steward, Tony R. (222103) **Kaukauna, WI** US-
POSTAL HISTORY-CANADA; 51
- Stover, Jeffrey (222161) **Pleasanton, CA** MINT; 50;
Construction
- Strube, Larry (222123) **Frederick, MD**
- Sturm, Carl (222050) **Spokane, WA** US
COMMEMORATIVES/PANELS, FDC,
CHRISTMAS SEALS-GERMANY-IRELAND; 65
- Sullivan, Pete (222162) **Cochranville, PA**; 62;
Two-way Radio

Sveum, Timothy E. B. (J-222120) **Janesville, WI**
WORLDWIDE; 15
Thomas, Jeffrey A. (222180) **Chester, VA** US 19TH & 20TH C, CLASSICS, COMMEMORATIVES, FDC; 51
Townzen, Thomas (222163) **Ballwin, MO** US COMMEMORATIVES, DEFINITIVES, AIR MAIL; 46; Manager
Vineski, Jeffrey E. (222164) **Glendale, NY** AIR MAILED; Plumber
von Sydow, Carolyn (222048) **Edmonds, WA**; 68; HR Manager
Walsh, Mike J. (222043) **St. Catherines, AB** CANADA; 49; Publisher/Partner
Warmoth, Gill L. (222124) **Hagerstown, IN** US, COMMEMORATIVES, AIR MAILED, PLATE BLOCKS, SHEETS/SMALL PANES, CLASSICS; 52; Self Employed
Weaver, James (222165) **Broomfield, CO** US PLATE BLOCKS; Engineer
Wertman, William (222064) **Wilmington, DE** US COMMEMORATIVES, AIR MAIL, DUCK; 47; Lab Technician

Wilder, Luke (222192) **Lexington, KY** US, PRE 1900 CLASSICS-WASHINGTON/FRANKLINS-NO. 1'S; 31; Physician
Wilson, Lon (222194) **Fuquay Varina, NC** US 19TH C, CUT SQUARES, FDC; 51; Construction
Wilson, Michael L. (222166) **Cypress, TX** US-ISRAEL; 67; Sales
Winterbauer, Gayle (222147) **Alameda, CA** US, 19TH & 20TH C, AIR MAILED, PRECANCELS, PERFINs; 61
Wormington, Edwin P. (12508-222145) **Dendron, VA** US; 66; Retired
Worthing, Michael (222197) **Pine Brook, NJ** US 19TH & 20TH C; 64
Young, Gilbert A. (222065) **Boyne Falls, MI** COMMEMORATIVES; 61; Slot Machine Repair Technician
Zarnikow, Werner E. (222124) **Wilton, IA** WORLDWIDE-GERMANY; 89

CHAPTER DISBANDED

Paradise Stamp Club (215596), Paradise, CA

DECEASED

Conger, Henry J. (4393-034277), Virginia Beach, VA
Copperud, Richard P. (078464), San Francisco, CA
Dunn, John F., Jr. (185619), Deptford, NJ
Higgins, Dave (221736), Eau Claire, WI
Jaunkalnietis, Valentins (4099-031177), Racine, WI
Lawrence, Eydie Gorme (5116-154114), Las Vegas, NV
Lock, Frank R. (210437), Scarborough, ON, Canada
Morehodoff, Vladimir A. (6022-043129), Vashon, WA
Schatt, Frank J. (11466-130719), Lewisberry, PA
Soule, Paul S. (113957), Fruitland Park, FL
Weinberger, Siegbert J. (6688-046754), New York, NY

REPRIMAND

Posner, Gary (157125), 1407 Ave. Z, PMB 535, Brooklyn, NY, has been issued a published reprimand for failure to provide an inventory and bill of sale for purchases from a collector (violation of Bylaws section 3.11.1b.).

UNITED STATES

- a. Used
 - b. Mint
 - c. Revenues
 - d. Back-of-Book
 - e. Cut Squares
 - f. Modern mint, used and plate blocks
- (Specify the list you want.)



LAURENCE L. WINUM

P.O. Box 247, Walden, NY 12586
APS 51900 800-914-8090 ARA 1970

WE BUY & SELL GREAT BRITAIN & WORLDWIDE STAMPS

Our latest 248-page catalogues GB (RushExpress No. 66) & Worldwide (RushExpress No. 65) are available to view on our website.
(Hard copies available for \$10 to cover P&P)

Yes We Buy — Top Prices Paid!

RUSHSTAMPS (RETAIL) LTD.
P.O. Box One, Lyndhurst, Hampshire
England SO43 7PP
Tel: 011 44 23 8028 2044 • Fax: 011 44 23 8028 2981
E-mail: enquiries@rushstamps.co.uk
Website: www.rushstamps.co.uk

View 10,000+ Items Online Right Now!
WWW.Varisell.com

• WORLDWIDE •
Stamps • Covers • Revenues • Errors • Varieties
Proofs • Postal Stationery • Postcards
Philatelic Literature • Catalogues
Prompt, Courteous Service • Satisfaction Guaranteed

Argyll Etkin Limited

17 Waterloo Place, 4th Floor
London SW1Y 4AR, United Kingdom
Phone: (011) 44-207-930-6100
Fax: (011) 44-207-930-6109
E-mail: philatelists@argyll-etkin.com
Website: www.argyll-etkin.com

OUR STOCK ONLINE!



Get better World Postal History and stamps of USA, MEXICO, SPAIN & PORTUGAL, BRAZIL & ARGENTINA, SIAM & MACAO and more just FROM HOME!!!

Antonio M. Torres
www.antoniotorres.com
e-mail: TorresUK@aol.com

★ WANTED! ★ UNITED STATES STAMPS AND ERRORS — TOP \$\$\$!

U.S. & WW Wanted

Get your highest offer then call us toll free or send to...

TROPICAL STAMPS INC.

5170 N. Federal Hwy., # 2
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308-3814
All U.S. Wanted — Any Amount \$ \$ \$
800-634-0666 or 954-351-9794

VATICAN CITY YEAR SETS

Year	Mint	Year	Mint
2012	\$82.52	2009	\$92.43
2011	\$102.60	2008	\$79.66
2010	\$81.35	2007	\$74.30

Please add 3% postage & shipping,
minimum \$0.75 maximum \$5.65. FREE price list.

PENNY BLACKSTAMP COMPANY

P.O. Box 78, Dexter MI 48130-0078
Phone: (734) 424-3043
www.pennyblackstamp.com

Tens of Thousands of Illustrated Topical Items

can be found on our website:

www.westminsterstamp.com

For a printed list of your topical interest, please contact us.

WESTMINSTER STAMP GALLERY, LTD.

P.O. Box 456
Foxboro, MA 02035
508-384-6157
Fax: 508-384-3130
E-mail stamps@westmin.win.net

British Empire

Specialists in the Stamps and Postal History of the Entire Commonwealth 1840-1936

Buy, Sell, Private Treaty, Want Lists & Auctions

Colonial Stamp Company

5757 Wilshire Blvd, PH 8, Los Angeles, CA 90036-5816
Toll Free in North America:
Tel: 1 (877) 272-6693 Fax: 1 (877) 272-6694
Overseas: Tel: 1 (323) 933-9435 Fax: 1 (323) 939-9930
Email: info@colonialstampcompany.com
URL: www.colonialstampcompany.com



UNITED STATES

U.S. OR U.N. approvals. Plate blocks, singles, mint or used. Send want list or request our approvals. Stewart's Stamps, Box 3204, Seminole, FL 33775 (1361)

BELOW MARKET prices for United States. Used and unused, most grades. Send 45¢ stamp for price list of older issues before the year 1940. Compare for proof of lowest prices before ordering. Lowell A. Donald Co., P.O. Box 728, Rutland, VT 05702 (1354)

U.S. CLASSIC PRICE LIST FREE. Seconds to superb, 4,500 lots, 60 pages, colored photos. No. 1 through B.O.B., Illustrated grading, special discounts, 48-hour service. Specify mint & or used. Layaways and credit cards accepted. IOWA STAMPS, Box 77-A, Ankeny, IA 50021. Phone: 515-964-1202 Website: www.iowastamps.com E-mail: iowasc@netins.net (1365)

www.philbansner.com (1363)

USED PNC SINGLES and MNH PS5s. Great prices! SASE for list. J. Himes, POB 453, Cypress, CA 90630 (1356)

U.S. APPROVALS All USA #1 to B.O.B., classics to common, ducks, send want list, approvals. Beginners ok, Michael Savedow POB 785 Edgewater, FL 32132 (1353)

FDCs 1923-1990: www.FineFDCs.com (1360)

FREE 30-page U.S. U.N. Pricelist or view online at www.fortpittstamps.com Fort Pitt Philatelics PO Box 6009 Pittsburgh PA 15211 (1358)

UNITED STATES Classic + www.bidstart.com/stores/RalphsRoom (1360)

www.wiltonstamp.com (1356)

FREE 60 PAGE US CLASSIC list with photos. Write Campman Stamps, 2232 S. Nellis Blvd, Ste G3, #214, Las Vegas, NV 89104. Or, Phone 702-778-9380 or Email: gcampman1@cox.net for hard copy. Current list at www.glenccampman.com. Follow link. (1353)

SELL MINT USA postage 80%, buy sheets 65%, call first 215 576 5007 e-mail: mrussheet@msn.com (1358)

www.pedersonstamps.com (1364)

BETTER ITEMS LISTED DAILY <http://stores.ebay.com/little-art-treasures> (1353)

FANCY CANCELS ON #65 AND BANKNOTES Hundreds of beautiful strikes. Free Photocopies. Steven Hines, PO Box 422 Monee IL 60449 (1354)

FREE U.S. PRICE LIST. Holbrook-A, Box 3184, Henrico, VA 23228, Jimjih@verizon.net, www.Jimjih.com (1355)

PRE-1940 U.S. stamps accurately graded and properly described. Free price list. ASDA. Peter Mosiondz, Jr., 26 Cameron Circle, Laurel Springs, NJ 08021 (1359)

FREE BUY IT NOW Mailbid Catalog US, Foreign stamps; coins & currency Reeves Box 407 Huntingdon PA 16652 (1356)

OLDER U.S. with minor defects. Priced to sell. Send SASE and specify list. Broadway Stamp Co., GPO Box 120, Great Neck, NY 11022 (1357)

NH OR used U.S. (pre-1970). Prices slashed. Send SASE and specify list. Broadway Stamp Co., GPO Box 120, Great Neck, NY 11022 (1357)

U.S. EXPERTIZING

Lowest fees, fastest service (1 week or less), accurate opinions. Visit www.stampexpertizing.com, email weissauktion@rcn.com, Weiss Expertizing, POB5358, Bethlehem, PA 18015 (610) 691-6857 (1354)

CANADA

CANADA, NEWFOUNDLAND, BNA. Free 24-page price list. Philip S. Horowitz (Since 1956), P.O. Box 271, Monticello, NY 12701. Phone: 877-794-0009. Email: pshorowitz@aol.com (1363)

CANADA MINT BOOKLETS & Booklet Panes www.alsstamps.com (1354)

CANADA singles & year sets. Free: 30 pg cat. Lehigh Valley Stamps, P.O. Box C, Coplay, PA, 18037. Phone 610-231-1855. Email: LehighVlystamps@aol.com (1359)

WWW.AMETRADINGLLC.COM (1360)

www.johnsheffield.com (1365)

WWW.NFLDSTAMPS.COM full-color eBook specialized stamp catalogs www.lulu.com/spotlight/jmwalsh •Walsh Newfoundland Specialized- 422 pgs information and 365 pgs in •Walsh British North America• (1355)

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH

BRITISH EMPIRE — Extensive stock with emphasis on pre-1960. Advise us of your wants. TOGA ASSOCIATES, Box 396, Fairfield, CT 06824 203-255-8885 www.togaassociates.com (1359)

FREE PRICE LISTS for British Commonwealth stamps. Mint and Used. Also have worldwide. Good prices and quick, friendly service. Holbrook-A, Box 3184, Henrico, VA 23228. E-mail: Jimjih@verizon.net. Web: www.jimjih.com (1355)

www.commonwealth-stamps.com (1362)

WWW.AMETRADINGLLC.COM (1360)

www.johnsheffield.com (1353)

FREE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH PRICE LIST. Holbrook-A, Box 3184, Henrico, VA 23228, Jimjih@verizon.net, www.Jimjih.com (1355)

AUSTRIA

AUSTRIA AND RELATED AREAS - Ask for our free price lists. R. Schneider POB 23049 Belleville IL 62223 (1355)

www.briefmarkenshop-hofer.at (1356)

CANAL ZONE

www.canalzonestamps.com (1355)

JOIN: www.CanalZoneStudyGroup.com (1359)

CHINA

BUY STAMPS www.ChinaStampSociety.org (1357)
www.castlerockstamps.com (1357)

COLOMBIA

www.castlerockstamps.com (1357)

CUBA

www.castlerockstamps.com (1357)

FRANCE AND COLONIES

FABULOUS: WorldStamps.com (1354)

FRANCE & COLONIES PHILATELIC SOCIETY devoted to the stamps and postal history of France, the French Colonies and Offices and other French Areas. Membership information: Joel L. Bromberg, PO Box 102, Brooklyn, NY 11209-0102 (1364)

GERMANY

GERMANY AND RELATED AREAS — Ask for our free price lists. R. Schneider POB 23049 Belleville IL 62223 (1355)

FOR 3RD REICH AND OTHER WW2 OFFERS see www.ww2historical.com (Inquiries: mhoffelner@aon.at) (1357)

WWW.AMETRADINGLLC.COM (1360)

GERMANY COMPLETE 1849-Date. Send for free price lists. RICHARD PYZNAR, Box 527, Flemington, NJ 08822 www.richardpyznar.com (1360)

www.briefmarkenshop-hofer.at (1356)

GREAT BRITAIN

www.british-stamps.com (1362)

GREAT BRITAIN AND COMMONWEALTH

GIGANTIC: WorldStamps.com (1354)

GREECE

WWW.GREEKSTAMPSTORE.COM specializing in stamps and postal history of Greece and Territories. Sarantopoulos Philatelys PO Box 2622 Des Plaines IL 60017 E-mail peter@greekstampstore.com (1363)

HUNGARY

HUNGARY. Want lists filled, New Issues, Extensive stock of all Eastern European countries. www.hungarianstamps.com, POB 3024, Andover, MA 01810, 888/868-8293 (1361)

www.castlerockstamps.com (1357)

IRELAND

BUYING OR SELLING Ireland. E-Mail sales@ravenstamps.com (1357)

JAPAN

www.BaxleyStamps.com/japan.htm (1353)

LATIN AMERICA

LATIN AMERICA. Free 90-page list of mint and used sets from all 20 Latin American countries for beginner or specialist. Many elusive items. APS, ASDA, NSDA. Guy Shaw, P.O. Box 27138, San Diego, CA 92198 or visit <http://www.guyshaw.com> (1353)



Spread the Word...

PLACE YOUR AD TODAY!

Online at

www.stamps.org/Classified-Ads

For more information, call Helen — 814-933-3818

www.castlerockstamps.com (1357)

LATIN AMERICA: Argentina to Zelaya. Small ad, huge stock. Ken Nieser, PO Box 8533, Houston, TX 77249, www.kennieser.com (1361)

MEXICO

www.castlerockstamps.com (1357)

MONGOLIA

EARLY STAMPS. Jigjid.G, Box-314, Ulaanbaatar-38, Mongolia, jigjid_gantsogt@yahoo.com (1362)

PACIFIC ISLANDS

WWW.STAMPS-AUCTIONS.COM
(1360)

www.PitcairnStudyGroup.org
(1359)

PERU

www.castlerockstamps.com (1357)

PORTUGAL & COLONIES

WE CARRY ALL PERIODS MNH, Mint and Used. Please send your want list to D&P Stamps, 2220 Otay Lakes Rd., Ste 502-411, Chula Vista, CA 91915. Email pat@dpstamps.com (1355)

ROMANIA

ROMANIA, all periods, below market. George ARGHIR, Detunata 17, P.O. Box 521, 400434 Cluj-Napoca 9, Romania. georgearghir@hotmail.com (1363)

RYUKYU ISLANDS

www.BaxleyStamps.com/ryukyu.htm (1353)

UNITED NATIONS

U.N. PRICE LIST, Wm. Henry Stamps, POB 150010, Kew Gardens, NY 11415 www.allunstamps.com (1361)

WORLDWIDE

www.philbansner.com (1363)

www.wiltonstamp.com (1356)

WWW.AMETRADINGLLC.COM
(1360)

80 PAGE WW LIST, Write Campman at 2232 S. Nellis Blvd, Ste G3, #214, Las Vegas, NV 89104. Email: gcampman1@cox.net or call 702-778-9380. Website: www.glenccampman.com (1353)

www.dickkeiser.com (1355)

GREAT STAMPS! www.varisell.com (1356)

FREE WORLDWIDE PRICE

LISTS. Specify area or country. Holbrook-A, Box 3184, Henrico, VA 23228, Jimjih@verizon.net, www.Jimjih.com (1355)

FREE WORLDWIDE price list, find out why most collectors place orders when they receive our lists. Martin Winter, 9026 E. Nacoma Dr., Chandler, AZ 85248 (1355)

COMPLETE YEAR SETS – Free list 85 countries 1960-2012 D.N. Kenrod (A), 6278 N. Federal Hwy, PMB. 414, Ft. Lauderdale FL 33308-1916 (1356)

VERY OLD foreign sets and singles discounted. Send SASE and specify list. Broadway Stamp Co., GPO Box 120, Great Neck, NY 11022 (1357)

APPROVALS

WORLDWIDE APPROVALS

DISCOUNT 66 2/3% from Current Scott. Send APS# to Robert Ducharme, C.P. 592, St. Jerome, QC J7Z 5V3, Canada (1363)

THE WORLD IS YOURS *

United States, Europe, British Commonwealth, Scandinavia, Former Colonies * Fair Prices * Better Grade Approvals * Personalized Service * Discounts * Postage paid both ways. THE EXCELSIOR COLLECTION, Box 487, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076 Ph: 1-800-285-8076. excelsiorcol@aol.com; www.theexcelsiorcollection.com.

Visit us on eBay: [\(1362\)](http://excelsiorcol2hh2)

PRICES TOO HIGH? Send APS No. for foreign discount approvals from Ken-Ray, Box 7666, Warwick, RI 02887 (1361)

TOP QUALITY STAMP APPROVALS

Pre-1940 classics, dead countries, modern issues as well as pick and choose packets @ 10c each and up. Great discounts! 3 stamps valued over \$30. FREE to APS applicants. Jerry Bourque, Box 1688, Garden City, SC 29576. Order online www.jerrybourque.com (1353)

www.wiltonstamp.com (1356)

STAMPS-COINS-COLLECTABLES

Lou Zeeldorf, 317 E. 8th St., Erie, PA 16503-1103. Write me, ask & get it! (1357)

WW APPROVALS 1/2 to 2/3 Scott cv mounted in Booklets. Also sets and singles www.stampcoach.com (1356)

COLLECTION LIQUIDATION! 65 yrs accumulation, 100,000+ stamps! Receive a stuffed envelope (old, new, used, mint). Pick what you want at 1/3 Scott, return the rest. Gelfman, Box 315, Old Bethpage, NY 11804 (1358)

AUCTIONS

www.johnsheffield.com (1364)

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH, GREAT BRITAIN

and rest of the world regular postal auctions (mail bid sales) containing stamps, revenues, postal stationery and postal history. Nearly all vendor material and no buyers' premium. Catalogue on website www.demontfortstamps.co.uk De Montfort Stamp Co PO Box 6 Thurnby Leicester LE7 9ZU England Fax/telephone ++44 116 2419796 email info@demontfortstamps.co.uk (1355)

CATALOGUES

CAMPBELL PATERSON'S "NEW ZEALAND" the world's leading specialized color catalogue price

US\$125 (+ p & p) from Campbell Paterson Ltd, P.O. Box 5555, Auckland 1141, New Zealand, toll-free (USA) 1-800-434-8185 email: service@cpnzstamps.co.nz (note: registration for annual revisions required) (1364)

MICHEL, SCOTT,++ www.varisell.com (1356)

CENSORED

www.dickkeiser.com (1355)

CIVIL WAR

WANTED-soldier letters, Union, Confederate 301-869-2623 Ron Meininger Box 3494 Gaithersburg MD 20885 (1357)

COLLECTIONS

WWW.AMETRADINGLLC.COM
(1360)

STRIPPED FROM COLLECTIONS.

Super value lots \$25 custom made to your requirements. Philip S Horowitz, P.O. Box 271, Monticello, NY 12701. Phone 877-794-0009. Email: pshorowitz@aol.com (1363)

OLD MOUNTED

collections. Discounted prices. Satisfaction guaranteed. Send SASE and specify list. Broadway Stamp Co., GPO Box 120, Great Neck, NY 11022 (1357)

COVERS

www.philbansner.com (1363)

U.S. STAMPLESS COVERS. www.cortlandcovers.com (1353)

WWII: www.PatrioticCovers.com
(1360)

www.mgjpostalhistory.com
+ephemera (1362)

www.greekstampstore.com (1363)

<http://www.postalhistory.com/>
(1353)

<http://www.discountcoverstore.com>
(1353)

www.dickkeiser.com (1355)

www.gregfree.com (1357)

DONATIONS

DONATE STAMPS, coins, and other collectibles to hospitalized veterans/patients and earn valuable tax benefits. For information, write: ARIE Foundation, PO Box 64, Old Bethpage, NY 11804 www.ariefoundation.com (1359)

TAX DEDUCTIBLE Veterans State Nursing Home needs stamps, albums, collections and supplies. Tax deductible. -- Veterans, 2200 Kings Hwy. PMB 3-L #27, Port Charlotte, FL 33980-5760 (1354)

EFO'S

ANYONE CAN OWN THE NORMAL! #1618c Misperf pair only \$1.00 to introduce EFO stamps on approval.

APS # please. Ag P.O.B. 1, Medford NJ 08055 (1358)

EXCHANGE

TRADE MNH STAMPS. No U.S. Want especially UN after 2000 rhrstrom@visi.com (1355)

FIRST DAY COVERS

<http://www.discountcoverstore.com/> (1353)

INTERNET

BIRMINGHAMSTAMPS.COM since 1975. 65K+ items, Good Prices, Great Service, Worldwide Stock, Satisfaction Guaranteed. ASDA, APS, and FREE SHIPPING!!!!!! (1355)

WWW.AMETRADINGLLC.COM
(1360)

www.StampNewsNow.com (1364)

"BMASTAMPS.COM" US & Foreign Stock (1358)

LITERATURE

www.philbansner.com (1363)

1,000+ TITLES www.varisell.com (1356)

MAIL SALES

FREE CATALOG. US, British, Europe, W/W. Many Starter Collections. Various Sized Lots. No Buyers Fee. Jarema PO Box 359100, Gainesville, FL 32635 (1361)

MILITARY

www.dickkeiser.com (1355)

MIXTURES

FULL HALF POUND worldwide off paper, early to recent mix, plus \$50 cat bonus. Your cost \$30 postpaid. Cash, check, charge. Satisfaction guaranteed. Stamps Unlimited, Ste. 1460, 100 Peachtree St., Atlanta, GA 30303. PH: 404-688-9161 Email: tonyroozen@yahoo.com (1353)

500 MIXED U.S. COMMEMS, odd values, off paper, good variety guaranteed, \$7.95. Olcheski, Box 192, Falls Church, VA 22046 (1356)

NUMBER 1S

#1s OF THE WORLD. Visit www.numones.com David Olson 03461-0287 (1360)

PACKETS

FAMILY FUN Packet! SCV Over \$150 for only \$15. Includes 100 US and foreign, mint and used commemorative, definitive and topical stamps. Mail cash or check to: David Groves, PO Box 771137, Ocala FL 34477. Life Member since '66 (1356)

KIDS FREE Packet of 100 different US and foreign stamps. One per family. Just send SASE to David U. Groves,

PO Box 771137, Ocala, FL 34477 before December. (1356)

50 YEAR old packets; old stock. Reasonably priced. Send SASE and specify list. Broadway Stamp Co., GPO Box 120, Great Neck, NY 11022 (1357)

PERIODICALS

www.stampnewsonline.net (1353)

POSTAL HISTORY

www.philbansner.com (1363)

www.marksandcensors.com (1353)

www.greekstampstore.com (1363)

www.postalhistory.com/ (1353)

www.DoubledayPostalHistory.com (1355)

www.dickkeiser.com (1355)

www.castlerockstamps.com (1357)

www.gregfree.com (1357)

POSTCARDS

WANTED: Old Picture Postcards.

Gary Ronk 6247 Cove Rd., Roanoke, VA 24019. 540-562-2368 (1354)

REVENUES

WORLD REVENUES Buying & Selling all Countries & Colonies, also documents, cinderellas, perfins on revenues, etc. GORDON BROOKS, Box 100, Station N.D.G., Montreal, QC H4A 3P4, Canada (1363)

FOREIGN FISCAUX www.varisell.com (1356)

SPECIAL OFFERS

BERMUDA 100 DIF \$10 Jim Riddle 112 N College, Lincoln IL 62656 (1353)

STAMP SHOPS

ATLANTA — Full Service Shop. Stamps Unlimited, 100 Peachtree St., Suite 1460, Atlanta, GA 30303 PH: 404-688-9161 Email: tonyroozen@yahoo.com Website: stampsunlimitedofga.com (1353)

VISITING LAS VEGAS? Mostly covers, many stamps & more. 8919 W. Sahara 702-222-0355 call for appointment (1357)

BALTIMORE, MD--Geezers Tweezers 1726 Reisterstown Rd Pikesville 21208 410-580-1607 www. geezerstweezers.com (1358)

SUPPLIES

SHOWGARD BLACK AND CLEAR MOUNTS 50% DISCOUNT. Many sizes available. 100% money-back guarantee. Sold to over 1,500 stamp collectors. Visit my store for full details and a list of available sizes and prices. Unbeatable prices with a full guarantee

Classified Ad Rates

	1 month	6 months	12 months
1 line	\$ 3.94	\$21.28	\$37.82
2 lines	7.88	42.55	75.65
3 lines	11.82	63.83	113.47
4 lines	15.76	85.10	151.30
5 lines	19.70	106.38	189.12
6 lines	23.64	127.66	226.94
7 lines	27.58	148.93	264.77
8 lines	31.52	170.21	302.59
9 lines	35.46	191.48	340.42
10 lines	39.40	212.76	378.24
11 lines	43.34	234.04	416.06

To calculate the number of lines your ad will require, figure 34 characters per line. Count all letters, numerals, punctuation, and blank spaces between words.

Only APS members may advertise; be sure to include your APS number. Classified ads are accepted on a prepaid basis only.

Send your copy and payment to: AP Classifieds, 100 Match Factory Place, Bellefonte, PA 16823.

New classified ads will be accepted by fax or e-mail if charged to your VISA or MasterCard.

Please include your card number and expiration date. Renewals only are accepted by telephone

at 814-933-3803, ext. 224. Fax: 814-933-6128,

E-mail: adsales@stamps.org. Classified ads may also be submitted online at www.stamps.org/AP-Advertising.

Renewal Notice: If (1353) appears after your ad, it expires after this issue.

Deadline for the December 2013 issue is October 25.

Payment in advance. No change of copy. No refunds.

of satisfaction. Visit www.showgardseconds.com (1356)

Ernest Wheeler 7 Evelyn Terrace Wayne NJ. 07470 (1357)

TOPICALS

ejmcconnell.com (1357)

www.greekstampstore.com (1363)

SHIPS OR trains. Extensive stock of recent and older stamps. Send SASE and specify list. Broadway Stamp Co., GPO Box 120, Great Neck, NY 11022 (1357)

www.americantopicalassn.org (1364)

WANTED

FOREIGN POSTAL STATIONERY. I

can use almost anything in foreign postal stationery. Steve Schumann, 2417 Cabrillo Drive, Hayward, CA 94545 sdsch@earthlink.net (1355)

U.S. FREAKS ERRORS. Mike Treister, 1431 N. Western - #510, Chicago, IL 60622 (1353)

1st US NAVY SQD'N Flight S/F to HAWAII 1/10/34 1st MASS FLIGHT SAN DIEGO to PEARL HARBOR 1/28/37 Fam-14 & Fam-19 Trans Pacific Flight Covers 1935 to 1945

WHOLESALE

FOR DEALERS AND WOULD-BE-

Dealers Wholesale approvals of complete, mint, topical sets per 10 at highly competitive prices. Peter Morville, P.O. Box 73066, San Clemente, CA 92673 Email: morville@cox.net (1354)



Ray Charles

On September 23, in Los Angeles, California and Atlanta, Georgia, the Postal Service issued a Ray Charles (Forever® priced at 46 cents) First-Class mail commemorative stamp in one design in a pressure-sensitive adhesive pane of sixteen stamps. The \$7.36 Ray Charles pane of stamps may not be split, and the stamps may not be sold individually.

The USPS honors Ray Charles, the extraordinary composer, singer, and pianist, who mixed blues, gospel, country, jazz, and soul music in a unique and highly influential pop music style. The stamp, part of the new Music Icons series, features a photograph of Charles from later in his career. The stamp pane evokes the appearance of a vintage 45 rpm record sleeve. One side of the pane includes the stamps and the image of a sliver of a record seeming to peek out the top of the sleeve. The reverse side includes a larger version of the photograph featured on the stamp art and the logo for the Music Icons series.

Denomination: First-Class Mail Forever

Format: Pane of 16 (1 design)

Series: Music Icons

Art Director: Ethel Kessler, Bethesda, MD

Designer/Typographygrapher: Neal Ashby, Alexandria, VA

Existing Photo: Yves Carrere

Modeler: Donald Woo

Manufacturing Process: Offset/Microprint "USPS"

Engraver: N/A

Printer: Banknote Corporation of America, Browns Summit, NC

Press Type: Alprinta, 74

Print Quantity: 60 million stamps

Paper Type: Phosphor Tagged

Adhesive Type: Pressure-sensitive

Stamp Orientation: Square

Sizes (w x h): 27.56 x 27.56 mm (image);

31.12 x 31.12 mm (overall); 177.8 x

177.8 mm (pane)

Colors: Cyan, Magenta, Yellow, Black, Red

Plate Numbers: N/A

Marginal Markings:

FRONT: N/A. BACK:

Header: "Ray Charles"; ©2013 USPS; USPS logo; Barcode (579500) in lower right hand corner of pane; Ray Charles bio; Promotional text; Proprietary notice.

War of 1812: Battle of Lake Erie Stamp

On September 10, in Put-in-Bay, Ohio, the Postal Service issued the War of 1812: Battle of Lake Erie (Forever® priced at 46 cents) First-Class mail commemorative stamp in one design in a pressure-sensitive adhesive souvenir sheet of twenty stamps. The \$9.20 War of 1812: Battle of Lake Erie souvenir sheet may not be split; the stamps may not be sold individually.

With this 2013 stamp, the USPS continues its commemoration of the bicentennial of the War of 1812, a two-and-a-half-year conflict with Great Britain that many Americans viewed as the nation's "Second War of Independence." The stamp features William Henry Powell's famous 1873 painting, *Battle of Lake*



Erie, depicting Oliver Hazard Perry transferring from his destroyed flagship, the *Lawrence*, to the *Niagara*. To evoke the times, the color and texture of a contemporary map of the war is used for the stamp pane's background. A nineteenth-century engraving of Perry by William G. Jackman (after John Wesley Jarvis) appears in the margin of the verso text.

Denomination: First-Class Forever Commemorative

Format: Souvenir Sheet of 20 (1 design)

Series: War of 1812

Designer/Art Director/Typographygrapher: Greg Breeding, Charlottesville, VA

Existing Art: William Henry Powell

Modeler: Joseph Sheeran

Manufacturing Process: Offset/Microprint "USPS"

Engraver: N/A

Printer: Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd., Williamsville, NY

Press Type: Mueller Martini, A76

Print Quantity: 26 million stamps

Paper Type: Nonphosphored, Type III, Block Tag

Adhesive Type: Pressure-sensitive

Stamp Orientation: Horizontal



Sizes (w x h): 36.07 x 27.56 mm (image);
39.62 x 31.12 mm (overall); 257.18 x
180.98 mm (pane)

Colors: Black, Cyan, Magenta, Yellow

Plate Numbers: N/A

Marginal Markings: FRONT: Side Header:
“THE WAR OF 1812, BATTLE OF
LAKE ERIE”; Verso text. BACK: ©2013
USPS; Header: “THE BATTLE OF
LAKE ERIE”; Verso text; Portrait of
Oliver Hazard Perry on left side of pane;
Verso text; USPS logo; Plate position
diagram; Barcode (579100) at bottom
right corner of pane; Promotional text.

Althea Gibson

On August 23, in Flushing, New York, the Postal Service issued the Althea Gibson (Forever® priced at 46 cents) First-Class mail commemorative stamp in one design in a pressure-sensitive adhesive pane of twenty stamps.

The USPS honors tennis great Althea Gibson (1927–2003) with the thirty-sixth stamp in its Black Heritage series. The first black player to win one of the four major singles tournaments, Gibson twice captured Wimbledon and the U.S. Championships (now known as the U.S. Open) and became the top-ranked player in the world. In the stamp art, artist Kadir Nelson depicts Gibson at Wimbledon.

Denomination: First-Class Forever
Commemorative

Format: Pane of 20 (1 design)

Series: Black Heritage

Designer/Art Director/Typographyher:
Derry Noyes, Washington, DC

Artist: Kadir Nelson, Los Angeles, CA

Engraver: Trident

Modeler: Avery Dennison, Designed &
Engineered Solutions

Manufacturing Process: Gravure

Printer: Avery Dennison (AVR),
Clinton, SC

Press Type: Dia Nippon Kiko (DNK)

Print Quantity: 40
million stamps

Paper Type:
Prephosphored, Type
II

Adhesive Type: Pressure-
sensitive

Colors: Cyan, Magenta,
Yellow, Black

Stamp Orientation:
Vertical

Sizes (w x h): 21.34 x
36.07 mm (image);
24.89 x 39.62 mm
(overall); 148.59 x
184.15 mm (pane)

Plate Numbers: “V”

followed by four single digits

Marginal Markings: FRONT: Header:

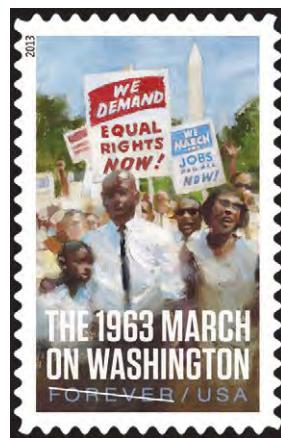
“BLACK HERITAGE 36TH IN A
SERIES”; Plate block numbers in all four
corners of pane. BACK: ©2013 USPS;
USPS logo; Barcode (470800) in upper
right and lower left corners of pane;
Verso text; Promotional text.

March on Washington

On August 23, in Washington, DC, the Postal Service issued the March on Washington (Forever® priced at 46 cents) First-Class mail commemorative stamp in one design in a pressure-sensitive adhesive pane of twenty stamps.

With this 2013 stamp, the USPS commemorates the 50th anniversary of the August 28, 1963 March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom. The 1963 March on Washington stamp is the last of three stamps being issued in 2013 in a civil rights set. The first in the set commemorated the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation and the second commemorated the 100th anniversary of the birth of Rosa Parks.

Denomination: First-Class Forever



Commemorative

Format: Pane of 20 (1 design)

Series: N/A

Designer/Art Director/Typographyher:
Antonio Alcalá, Alexandria, VA

Artist: Gregory Manchess, Beaverton, OR

Engraver: WRE

Modeler: Avery Dennison, Designed &
Engineered Solutions

Manufacturing Process: Gravure

Printer: Avery Dennison (AVR),
Clinton, SC

Press Type: Dia Nippon Kiko (DNK)

Print Quantity: 59 million stamps

Paper Type: Phosphor Tagged, Block;
Nonphosphored, Type III

Adhesive Type: Pressure-sensitive

Colors: Yellow, Magenta, Cyan, Black,
Powder Blue

Stamp Orientation: Vertical

Sizes (w x h): 21.37 x 36.07 mm (image);
24.89 x 39.62 mm (overall); 184.15 x
171.45 mm (pane)

Plate Numbers: “V” followed by five single
digits

Marginal Markings: FRONT: Selvage:
“EQUALITY”; Plate numbers in four
corners of pane. BACK: ©USPS; USPS
logo; Verso text; Plate position diagram;
Barcode (471700) in upper right and
lower left corners of pane; Promotional
text.

1847–1945

Quality U.S. Stamps

Singles (mint and used), Plate Blocks, Booklet Panes
plus Complete Booklets, Price lists \$2 each category or
free online. We also buy quality U.S. & foreign stamps.

Mountainside Stamps, Coins and Currency

P.O. Box 1116 • Mountainside, NJ 07092

Tel: 908-232-0539 or 908-419-9751

E-mail: tjacks@verizon.net • www.mountainsidestamps.com

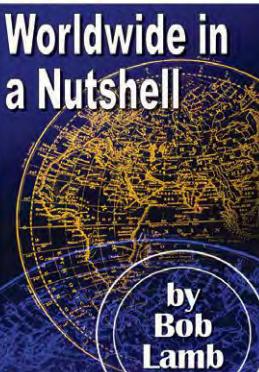
Tom Jacks, owner; member APS, ASDA

Hungaria Stamp Exchange
EASTERN EUROPE DEALER



Hungary, Baltics,
Czech., Greece,
Poland, Romania,
Russia & more...
Online Store! (888) 868-8293 

www.hungarianstamps.com



The Oriental Republic of Uruguay

Status: Republic in southern South America

Population: 3,324,460 (2013 est.)

Area: 68,037 square miles

Currency: 100 cents = 1 peso

(US\$1 = 22.36 Uruguayan Pesos)



Uruguay — about the size of Missouri — is one of the smallest countries in South America. When Pope Alexander VI divided the world between the Spanish and the Portuguese in the Treaty of Tordesillas, Uruguay had never been seen by Europeans. But its location on the eastern coast (*Banda Oriental*) of the Rio de la Plata destined it to become a buffer in Spanish and Portuguese rivalry, although Spain did little to establish its claim to the area. When Buenos Aires was founded in 1580 on the western side of the Rio de la Plata, the Banda Oriental remained largely unoccupied.

The Portuguese, on the other hand, considered the area a natural extension of Brazil. They established a settlement in Colonia across the river from Buenos Aires in 1780. The Spanish countered by founding Montevideo and stepping up their migration into the region.

In 1765 Spain established a quarterly mail service to Buenos Aires and Montevideo. To end its isolation from the other colonies in America, the Governor of Buenos Aires organized mail services to Peru and Chile in 1748, which he extended to Montevideo in 1767. It became weekly in 1797. This service remained in operation until 1810, when the struggle for independence forced its suspension. Uruguayan independence was recognized in 1830, and since 1985 Uruguay has enjoyed democratic rule and is one of the most prosperous and progressive states in the Hemisphere.

In 1846, however, the government found itself in financial straits and the postal service was taken over by a private company. In 1852 Anastasio Lapido, a leading Blanco Party politician, was placed in charge of the transport of the mail. He expanded delivery throughout the interior of the country by rustic stage coaches called *Diligencias*. In 1856, he issued three stamps to prepay this mail, the “*Diligencia* issue.” Lapido’s efforts were so successful that he was given responsibility for the entire post office in 1856, a position he undertook *pro bono*. Expanding the program, he issued stamps to frank correspondence to Buenos Aires on March 26, 1858, the so-called “Montevideo Suns.” Both issues remained valid until after the government resumed responsibility for the posts on July 1, 1859. The British operated a postal agency in Montevideo from 1864 until about 1873. Today, Uruguay has an effective nationwide postal service. See correo.com.uy.



Buy & Sell your Stamps on ...

Also In the USA!



12 years!

delcampe.net®

*Join now the Biggest Worldwide
Collectibles Marketplace!*

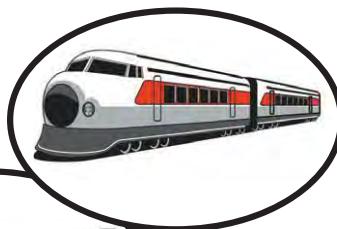
*13 Million Stamps &
800,000 registered Collectors!*

We are a proud member of these specialized associations:



www.delcampe.net

• By Car • By Plane • By Bus • • By Train • By Boat •



We Want
To Buy!!

We Want
To Visit!!

HAVE TONGS, WILL TRAVEL!!

"SELLING A STAMP COLLECTION SHOULD BE A REWARDING EXPERIENCE." The "BEST SALE" is when the buyer will personally visit your city and view your collection. The dealers listed will travel to "any city" to view appropriate holdings.

UNFORTUNATELY many collections in the \$2,000 to \$20,000 range do not economically justify the time and expense for a professional buyer to travel long distances to personally view your collection.

WE OFFER A SOLUTION: Each dealer listed has designated a state, and region, he will make every effort to personally visit. Contact that dealer direct and discuss your collection and options. If your state is not listed, contact the closest dealer, or a dealer of your choice.

YOUR GUARANTEE: While each dealer listed is an independently owned business, all are members of either the ASDA or the APS (most are both), insuring fairness and integrity in purchasing your collection.

IF YOU LIVE IN:

New York,
Connecticut,
Maryland,
or New Jersey:

Wisconsin,
Northern Florida,
Southern Florida,
or Canada:

Ohio, Michigan,
Kentucky, Indiana,
Tennessee, West Virginia,
or Western Pennsylvania:

WRITE OR CALL:

Legion Stamps, Inc.
Marvin Frey
1000 Park Blvd., Suite 209
Massapequa Park NY 11762
Phone: 516-882-9345
Fax: 516-882-9005
Toll Free: 866-882-9345
bellphilat@aol.com

Dr. Robert Friedman & Sons
Phone: 800-588-8100
Fax: 630-985-1588
drbobstamps@yahoo.com
www.drbobfriedmanstamps.com
Coins also wanted.

Randy Scholl Stamp Co.
7460 Jager Court
Cincinnati, OH 45230
Phone: 513-624-6800
randyscholl@fuse.net
randyschollstampcompany.com

IF YOU LIVE IN:

Southern California,
Nevada, or Arizona:

North Carolina,
South Carolina,
or Georgia:

Illinois, Iowa,
Minnesota, Kansas,
Nebraska, South/
North Dakota,
or Missouri:

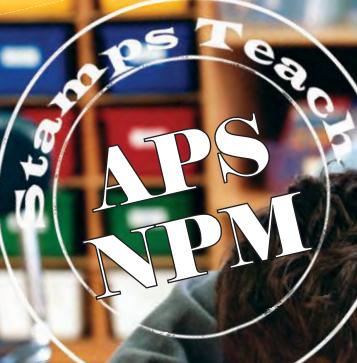
WRITE OR CALL:

Newport Harbor Stamp Co.
P.O. Box 3364
Newport Beach, CA 92659
Phone: 800-722-1022 (Dave)
davidmcobb@earthlink.net

PRM Enterprises, Inc.
Randall T. Scribner
4110 French Fields Ln.
Harrisburg, NC 28075
Phone: (704) 575-2795
scrib1@ctc.net
Coins also wanted

Coins, Stamps 'N Stuff LLC
Jerry & Barb Koepp
8190 Hickman Road
Des Moines, IA 50325-4405
Phone: 515-331-4307
Orders: 800-999-5964
Fax: 515-331-2527





Stamps Teach!

How Stamps Teach Works

Stamps Teach creates a *free* year-long plan for the classroom teacher which provides:

- Lesson Plans
- Work Sheets
- Task Cards
- Posters
- *and Stamps, of course!*

Send to:

APS-Stamps Teach Matching Fund
100 Match Factory Place
Bellefonte, PA 16823

Donate Online at:

www.stamps.org/Stamps-Teach-Done

For more information contact
Gretchen Moody at: gretchen@stamps.org
or visit us online at:
www.stamps.org/stamps-teach

Signature: _____

The TurningPoint Foundation has given Stamps Teach a generous \$25,000 matching grant opportunity.
Help us meet our required match!

YES, I want to help with a tax-deductible contribution to Stamps Teach.

\$10 \$20 \$30 \$40 \$50 \$75 \$_____

Date _____ APS No. _____

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State/Province _____ ZIP code _____

E-mail _____

Daytime Phone _____

Payment Method —

Method of Payment: Check (Payable to APS) Visa MasterCard

Visa or MasterCard number: _____ • _____ • _____ • _____

Expiration date: _____ • _____ V-Code: _____

Fall Specials

Direct to You with APS Sales Circuits

U.S. General (Mint & Used)
U.S. Mint Only
U.S. Used Only
U.S. 1900-1940 (Mint & Used)
U.S. 19th Century*
U.S. Back of the Book*
U.S. Air Mails*
U.S. Officials*
U.S. Cut Squares*
U.S. Revenues*
U.S. Possessions*
U.S. Ryukyu Islands*
U.S. Blocks
U.S. Plate Blocks
U.S. Coils*
U.S. Plate No. Singles*
U.S. Fancy Cancels*
U.S. Precancels*
U.S. Covers
U.S. Covers (19th C.)
U.S. Covers 1900-1945
U.S. Picture Postcards
U.S. Postal Stationery
U.S. First Day Covers
British Empire
British Empire-Victorian Era
British Empire Mint only
British Empire Used only
British Pre-Elizabeth
British Atlantic Islands
British Africa
Southern Africa
British America
British West Indies
British West Indies Mint
Bahamas
Bermuda
Br. Caribbean Saints
Jamaica
British North America*
Canada General
Canada pre-Elizabeth
Canada Mint Only
Canada Used Only
British Asia
Hong Kong*
India & States*
Malaysia-Singapore
British Europe
Channel Islands
Great Britain
Great Britain 19th Century
Ireland
British Middle East
British Oceania

British Oceania Mint
Australia
Australia States
New Zealand
Topicals (General)
Animals & Flora
Art and Painting
Europa
Space*
Sports
Transportation
Africa
Air Mails Worldwide*
Argentina
Asia
Austria
Balkans
Baltic States*
Belgium
Benelux
Bolivia
Brazil
Central America
Central Europe
Chile
China
Colombia
Costa Rica
Cuba
Czechoslovakia
Danzig*
Denmark
East Germany
Eastern Europe
Ecuador
Egypt*
Ethiopia
Europe
Europe(1840-1940)
Far East
Finland
France
France & Colonies
France 19th Century
French Africa
French Colonies
German Colonies*
German Covers
German States
Germany
Germany Pre-1945
Global (1840-1940)
Global Covers
Global General (Mint & Used)
Global Used Only
Greece
Guatemala
Honduras
Hungary
Iceland-Greenland
Iran (Persia)
Israel
Italian Colonies*
Italy
Japan
Korea
Latin America
Latin West Indies*
Lebanon
Liberia
Liechtenstein
Luxembourg
Mexico
Middle East
Miniature Sheets
Monaco
Netherlands
Netherlands Colonies
Nicaragua
Norway
Panama*
Paraguay*
Peru
Philippines
Poland
Portugal
Portuguese Colonies
Romania
Russia (USSR)
Saar
Salvador
San Marino
Scandinavia
Siam (Thailand)
South America
Southeast Asia
Southern Europe
Spain
Spanish Colonies*
Sweden
Switzerland
Trieste*
Turkey
United Nations*
Uruguay
Vatican
Venezuela
West Germany
Yugoslavia
* These circuits may incur long delays due to frequent shortages of material. We urgently solicit books for these areas.

* These circuits may incur long delays due to frequent shortages of material.
We urgently solicit books for these areas.

10/13

For more than 100 years, the Sales Division has served as a middleman for APS members who wish to buy and/or sell stamps and covers. It offers a leisurely at-home perusal of these items for members in search of new items for their collections.

Circuits of up to twenty books containing a maximum value of \$4,000 will be sent to any member requesting them. Names will be added in order of receipt, with up to ten names per circuit. Waiting lists are maintained for those circuits now filled.

We do not have exclusively Mint, Used, 19th or 20th Century circuits, except those listed below. No minimum purchase is required and circuits may be retained for a **MAXIMUM** of seven days per circuit. A new circuit of the same category is not started until the previous circuit returns to the Sales Division. Members will receive between three and five circuits of each requested category, annually. Members outside the fifty states and Puerto Rico should write for details of direct circuits.

APS Sales Division Supplies — Sales circuit books for single stamps, blocks and covers, and the STAMPMOUNTS for each are available for purchase at a nominal fee.

*Circuit request forms and selling supplies also are available online:
www.stamps.org by e-mail: salesdiv@stamps.org
or by writing or calling the Sales Division*

- Check here if currently receiving circuits or awaiting them, based on a previous request. Members presently receiving circuits may have more than six categories listed with us.
- If you are requesting circuits for the first time, we recommend that you **do not enter more than three (3) categories**. You may request more categories after 12 months once you are familiar with how the process works and feel you can handle them comfortably.

Enter up to **SIX CIRCUITS** below and send to:
APS Sales Division, 100 Match Factory Place
Bellefonte, PA 16823 • Phone: 814-933-3803

Your Circuit Selections

1. _____ 2. _____
3. _____ 4. _____
5. _____ 6. _____

APS No. _____ Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Daytime Telephone No. _____

E-mail address: _____

If you wish to receive circuits at other than the above address, please list below:

VISA/MasterCard Accepted