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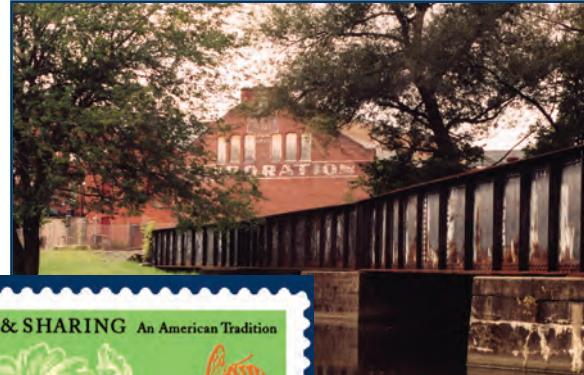
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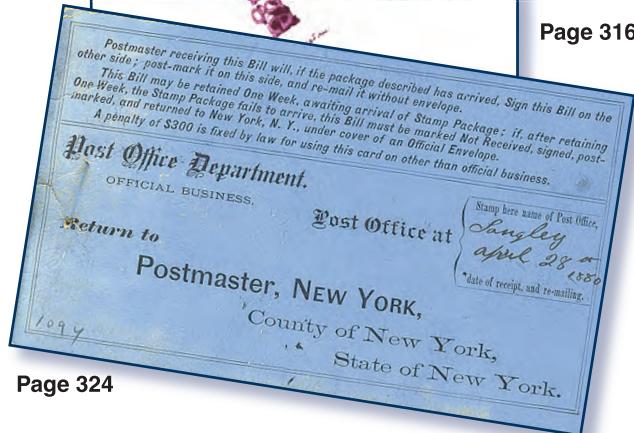
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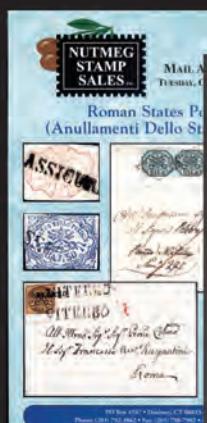
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In 2006 we received more than \$725,000 in cash donations from 3,580 donors. In addition, we received thirty new pledges to be paid out over the next five years, totaling nearly \$170,000. The level of donations received resulted in 2006 being our second largest year ever for cash donations! Our appreciation goes out to all those who helped us achieve this success. We cannot say *THANK YOU* enough.

While we are on the subject of recognition, I would personally like to thank Steven Rod for his leadership and counsel as chairman of the Campaign for Philately. Steve has chaired the campaign for the past two years. He and our central campaign committee spent countless hours last year in helping us achieve our success. The committee also includes APS President Janet Klug, APRL President Ken Grant, APRL Board member and Past President Charles Peterson, APS Deputy Executive Director Ken Martin, and myself.

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#3 Glassine Envelope size -or- #102 Cards, size 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> x3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub> " New Heavy Wt.	<b>GK-102OH</b>	6.00,	<b>3.60</b>
Same, 7" long	<b>GK-102O7</b>	3.00,	<b>1.80</b>
#4 Glassine Envelope size -or- #104 Cards, size 5x3 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>16</sub> "	<b>GK-104O</b>	6.50,	<b>3.90</b>
Same, 7" long	<b>GK-104O7</b>	4.50,	<b>2.70</b>
#5 Glassine Envelope size -or- Postcard -or- #106 and #107 Card, size 6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>8</sub> x3 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "	<b>GK-107O</b>	7.50,	<b>4.50</b>
#6, #7, #8 Glassine Envelope size -or- FDC 6 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> x4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> "	<b>GK-108O</b>	8.50,	<b>5.10</b>

Style# (Current Style #)	(Formerly Style #)	Card	Pocket	List	Per 1,000	Per 1,000** In Red Box
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101CK or <b>101CC</b> Colors	101BK or 101AC Colors 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> x2 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>16</sub> "	2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "	42.04	<b>25.23</b>	<b>27.86</b>	
102C (Blank) or <b>102CA</b>	102 (Blank) or 102A . . . 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "	3 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> x2"	38.81	<b>23.28</b>	<b>25.99</b>	
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104CK or <b>104CC</b>	104BK or 104AC . . . 4 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> x3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> "	54.98	<b>32.99</b>	<b>35.66</b>	
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## letters to the editor

### APS AMERISTAMP EXPO

This weekend I attended my first APS winter show, AmeriStamp Expo 2007, held in Riverside, California. I live in San Jose, about 500 miles north of Riverside, but the week before the show I was working in Singapore. So, you might ask, why did I fly fifteen-and-a-half hours on Thursday to attend this show?

Well, this is the second annual APS-sponsored Single Frame Team Competition and I was on a team. Briefly, the teams consist of five exhibitors, each exhibit must be of a different class, and three out of five exhibits must be first time National exhibits. My team, Not Grumpy Old Men (NGOM), was made up of five women with new exhibits. As a team player, I wanted to support my teammates as well as meet three of them for the first time. I diligently worked my personal plans around my business commitments so that I could attend. (If you are curious, NGOM placed sixth out of nine teams and we plan to compete again.)

As always, when I attend a show I look over the schedule to see what seminars would be of interest to me. I feel that the exchange of knowledge in these seminars is tremendous, whether it is a meeting of a society or the Exhibit Critique. I even attend the critique when I am not exhibiting and I stay for the entire critique as the assessment of others' exhibits might apply to my exhibit today

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or in the near future.

At this show, a scheduled meeting entitled "Women Exhibitors" caught my eye. I was unclear what the meeting was about, but felt that since I was both a woman and exhibiting that I should attend. This was the first meeting of what will hopefully be a long-running organization. The meeting had fourteen women ranging from some who were interested in learning about exhibiting but had never exhibited to others who were National Philatelic judges. The group picked the name, Women Exhibitors (WE), formulated a mission statement, elected officers, and took donations to get this society running; all in the first twenty minutes. This left plenty of time to talk about what exhibit-related topics would be interesting for future meetings (one at StampShow 2007 in Portland) and to share in some laughs.

If you are interested in becoming a part of WE, contact Barbara Harrison, *WE Newsletter* Editor, at [barbandwill@rcn.com](mailto:barbandwill@rcn.com). She can give you further information about the purpose of the group and the possibility of holding a WE meeting at your local show.

As most people who attended this

show know, I am always happy to talk about exhibiting and to point out ways to improve it (Hint: think vertical — e-mail me at [kristin\\_email@yahoo.com](mailto:kristin_email@yahoo.com) for more details.) I look forward to talking with you and seeing your exhibit.

Kristin Patterson  
San Jose, California

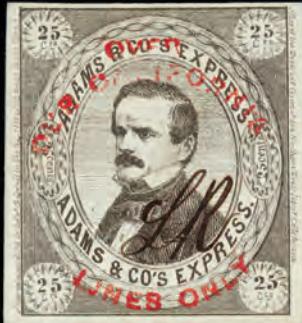
### Women Exhibitors

I recently attended AmeriStamp Expo in Riverside, California. In addition to the opportunity to view hundreds of frames of outstanding exhibits, spend many hours viewing thousands of covers and other goodies at dealer tables, visit with many exhibiting friends, and meet many new friends, I had the pleasure of being a part of a brand new group with a purpose, called WE (Women Exhibitors). Ruth Caswell had previously identified the need for a women's forum and chaired the first meeting in Riverside. Within the first twenty minutes, the thirteen women present had chosen a name for the group, decided on an e-mail newsletter, adopted a Statement of Purpose ("To provide a vehicle through which women exhibitors can encourage each other through sharing information,

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# APS Election



Eighteen candidates are seeking election to the APS Board of Directors for the 2007–2009 term, as of January 15, 2007. Two individuals have announced for the one American Philatelic Research Library Board position to be filled by the vote of APS members. The APRL-designated Board of Trustee position is for the term 2007–2013.

**All nominations and seconding endorsements must be sent directly to the APS Headquarters, 100 Match Factory Place, Bellefonte, PA 16823, to be received by March 31.**

Personal photographs, candidates statements, and a ballot listing all qualified candidates will appear in the May issue of *The American Philatelist*.

An asterisk has been placed after the names of those candidates who have secured the ten seconding nominations necessary to secure a place on the ballot. Only one second is required for candidates for the APRL Board of Trustees position.

Rules and other election information is available from the APS website at [www.stamps.org](http://www.stamps.org) or by contacting the Society at 814-933-3803.

## 2007 APS Election Nominees

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ideas, experience, advice, problems, and solutions"), and decided to meet as a group twice annually (at StampShow and AmeriStamp Expo). We also collected a few dollars start-up money, to be handled by Liz Hisey, Treasurer.

During discussion, we highlighted the need to foster women's interests in exhibiting and the importance of helping women to feel welcome, as shows can be intimidating to newcomers. We also highlighted the need to offer friendship to other women who might become exhibitors, including inviting them to shows, offering advice and help, and mentoring. Another activity we will pursue is to have small satellite meetings at other local and national shows, inviting women to attend and explaining the goals of WE, along with an invitation to join. Within only a week, the membership grew to twenty-three, just by word of mouth. This seems to be a very much needed and very exciting opportunity

for all women interested in exhibiting, whether they are experienced exhibitors or perhaps have just been thinking for a very long time about giving it a try.

Attending meetings is not a requirement — you can be an active member simply by receiving the e-mail newsletter and participating by sharing your experience, problems, suggestions, and ideas via e-mail. Those who are able to attend StampShow and AmeriStamp Expo will gain even greater benefit from the seminars and personal contacts. Interested women are cordially invited to check out WE and join a group of very active women who are eager to welcome you into the wonderful world of philatelic exhibiting. For further information, please e-mail me at [barbandwill@rcn.com](mailto:barbandwill@rcn.com) for a copy of the newsletter, which contains additional contact information.

**Barbara A. Harrison**

**WE Newsletter Editor**  
Ringo, New Jersey

## Mounting Technique I

In response to a letter written by Arthur Wilbur in the February *AP* ("One-Handed Mounting," page 110), while I am not a one-handed philatelist, I have the following suggestion for safely inserting stamps in mounts such as Showgard:

1. Prepare a sheet of paper by attaching a strip of removable double-sided tape to the sheet; secure each end of the tape with strips of single-sided tape, leaving about an inch of the double-sided tape exposed.
2. Cut a mount of proper size from strip (or use pre-cut mounts). If necessary, place a weight on the strip to hold it securely on the guillotine.
3. Attach mount to exposed area of the double-sided tape; leave at least one corner of the mount "unstuck."
4. Carefully insert a pair of "needlenose" tongs into the mount from the

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December 17, 2005

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APS Member  
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direction opposite which you will, in the next step, insert the stamp. Push these tongs in just far enough to create an opening on the other side of the mount.

5. Holding the stamp in a second pair of tongs (I recommend "spade" tongs for this), carefully insert the stamp into the mount.
  6. Remove the needlenose tongs, reposition the stamp as necessary within the mount.
  7. Carefully lift the mount off the double side tape.
- This rig can be reused for quite a while.

**Bob Bramwell**  
Pinehurst, North Carolina

## Mounting Technique II

I read in the February AP of Arthur C. Wilbur's efforts to mount his stamps with one hand. After some thought, I came up with the idea using a small object of sufficient mass to immobilize the Showgard strip in order to insert the stamp.

I assume it is possible for Mr. Wilbur to cut his strips to size for the stamps. Therefore, if he can place something on the order of a *steel hex nut* (large enough and massive enough to immobilize the mount) cut-side-up, he might be able to negotiate the stamp with a pair of tongs into one side of the mount.

With the stamp thus well placed, he can then flex the opposite cut edge of the mount backing over the stamp, wedging it in place properly for his album. After a bit of practice, Mr. Wilbur might have a satisfactory method of continuing his beloved hobby.

I hope I have been of some assistance.

**Howard R. Harris**  
Beaufort, South Carolina

## Stamp Dealer Offerings

Regarding the Letter to the Editor "Stamp Dealer Attitude" (by Roger B. West) and Wayne Youngblood's column "Collecting Stamp Dealer Covers" (October 2006 AP, pp. 898 and 918), here's a slightly tardy but hopefully insightful reply. I have taken up stamp collecting anew recently, having done it briefly as a kid, and now again as an adult. I am looking at a multitude of dealer correspondence and wares these days, and they surely run the gamut from poor to excellent. I was saddened but not surprised to discover that the venerable big H has become a shadow of its former self. I look at the mailings I receive very critically now, and can be both shocked and amazed on the same day!

Unwelcome are the same old flyers, over and overpriced again, from vendors whose mundane materials come in unimaginatively metered envelopes. Save money by decreasing the duplicative mailings and you can lower your prices!

Welcome are the plate-blocked envelopes (with the occasional se-tenant, natch!) full of bargains. I like the way it was labeled, and considered saving the envelope as I received it, but gave in, carving it up and soaking the stamps in the end. I started to build a plate block collection based on the interest generated by the few I started to receive in mailings, so obviously I really appreciated them! Do they cost the vendor any actual additional money? Not when it comes to mailing stamp collections (as opposed to mass mailings, which are sent bulk rate)!

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wish to explore (but not necessarily blow a bundle on expensive antiques). Collectors such as myself await a resurgence in creative marketing. I for one am looking for those beautiful older stamps to fill empty spaces and pages at reasonable prices, not the ugly newer ones that are sold at inflated markups and leave me feeling a bit empty. Now if the designers could just start a retro fad and bring back old-time engraving....

John Fries  
Baldwin, Maryland

## Enjoyable Voyage

I really enjoyed Charles A. Fricke's one-page article on "A Polar Voyage in 1908" (February AP, page 192). It's amazing how an old postcard, even one franked with an unremarkable stamp, can illuminate happenings from a century ago and put such a warm and human face on our attempts to communicate with our fellow beings. When I bring your magazine in from the mailbox, the short feature item in the back is the first I turn to. Please keep up the good work!

Having just taken an introductory German course (to help me better understand German stamps), I noticed that Mr. Fricke mis-represented the name of Mamma Lang's steamship, calling it the "Gruber Kurfürst." The postcard shows the ship's name as the "Großer Kurfürst." The actual German character is a double-s, called an "ess-tset," and does look a lot like a script B. The name could be translated as the "Great Elector," probably a reference to the historical German princes who were empowered to elect the Holy Roman Emperor.

William R. Shipe  
Murrysville, Pennsylvania

## German Error

Re: "A Polar Voyage in 1908" by Charles A. Fricke. This short article demands an expansion. In the text the ship's name is given to be "Gruber Kurfürst" twice, so it can't be a printing error. "Gruber" may be a family name but otherwise is absolutely no word at all and has no meaning in German.

The astute reader will have noticed on the depiction of the postcard that the name shown actually is "Großer Kurfürst" (Grand Elector), preceded by a capital "D," which stands for "Dampfer" (Steamer). The letter after o in Großer is not a "b" and this may have confused the

# — The APS Vision Team for 2007 —

## We don't TALK outreach; we DO outreach

by Ken Lawrence

For members of the APS Vision team, reaching out to draw new people into our hobby and into our Society is second nature, as is sharing our knowledge, experience, and enthusiasm with other collectors. It's what we do all the time. Space isn't sufficient to provide a comprehensive list, but consider these representative examples:

- Nancy Clark has spent years promoting stamp collecting among young people. She chaired OLYMPHILEX 96, which showcased philately alongside the world's most venerated sports competition. Her popular APS Stamp Talk radio podcasts put the newest interactive medium at the hobby's service.
- For 18 years, Wayne Youngblood has given a week of his vacation time each year to teach Stamp Technology at the APS Summer Seminar. He has worked with the Boy Scouts for more years than that.
- As a teacher, Joann Lenz coordinated stamp topics with subject matter, and led a Benjamin Franklin Stamp Club. She serves APS and APRL as a regional representative of the Campaign for Philately. She has served as Secretary of the United States Stamp Society for 11 years.
- I (Ken) have shown more stamp exhibits in public libraries, schools, community centers, shopping malls, and places of worship than at stamp exhibitions. As far as recruiting is concerned, I have personally sponsored more new APS members than anyone who sits on the current Board of Directors, and more than ten times the number my opponent has sponsored.

In the past, APS could rely upon the excitement and activity that accompany a successful international exhibition to give us a membership lift. That no longer works. Ameripex 86 in Chicago sparked a 1,800-member increase, after a decline in 1985. APS membership peaked in 1988 and began to decline in 1990. Pacific 97 in San Francisco brought a temporary modest boost, but since 1997 the numbers have steadily fallen. Even the huge success of Washington 2006 did not restore growth, although it did slightly reduce the rate of decline last year.

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*Ada M. Prill and John M. Hotchner, co-chairs, APS Vision Team. Stephen L. Suffet, consultant.*



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## Pronouncing “ß”

In this fine article there is one mistake: The ship's name is not "Gruber Kurfürst" but "Großer Kurfürst" or, what is also correct, "Grosser Kurfürst."

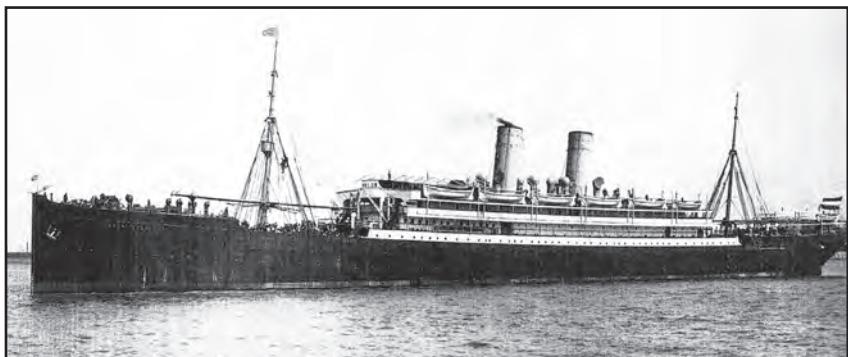
In the German language you can use the "ß" instead of "ss" or, as it was around the beginning of the twentieth century, "sz." Pronouncing sz (esszet) is exactly the way to say the "ß": a sharp or strong "s."

Actually, on the postcard shown at the top of page 192, the name is written in the correct way. As explained, it *could* have been written also with "ss" instead.

Just to complete this letter, I enclose a photo of the "Großer Kurfürst" plus some technical dates about this ship. After World War I it was taken to the United States and later broken up in Japan in 1937.

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author for if it were a "b" the term would become "Grober Kurfürst," which indeed has a sinister connotation like the harsh or coarse elector.

This letter, "ß," is referred to as an "s z," not being recited in the regular alphabet and most commonly used in Straße (street). I believe a recent and controversial spelling reform has done away with this letter which in the absence of being on a keyboard is most simply being replaced with a double "s" (ss); or it can be produced on the computer numberpad by pressing Alt and the number 223.

The shipping company "Norddeutscher Lloyd" named many of its vessels after the Imperial family; who then was the "Großer Kurfürst"? There may have been many rulers titled "Elector" but only one Grand Elector (of Brandenburg 1620–1688) with his principal residence in Königsberg whose son became King in Prussia as Frederick I; the latter's grandson became Frederick the Great (1712–1786) after whom the town "King of Prussia" in Pennsylvania was indirectly named.

Three generations hence the then-King William of Prussia was eventually elected to become Emperor William I of a united Germany, and upon his death in 1888 he was succeeded by his son Frederick III, a son-in-law of Queen Victoria and referred to as the Emperor of ninety-nine days for that's when he prematurely died (also in 1888) and the reins were turned over to his son William II, commonly referred to as the Kaiser, who was later involved with World War I.

Wulf Graunitz  
Palgrave, Ontario

### Grosser Kurfürst

The article entitled "A Polar Voyage in 1908" in the February issue was interesting and I enjoyed reading it. I would like to make a correction with regard to the name of the North German Lloyd ship making the polar voyage. The Greek letter for "beta" was used in the German script until recently to indicate a double "s." The name of the ship therefore should read "Grosser Kurfürst" and not "Gruber Kurfürst." From a historical aspect, the Great Elector, Frederick William, known by the Germans as the "Grosser Kurfürst," ruled the provinces of Brandenburg and East Prussia in the seventeenth century. He was considered a very capable ruler, and it is not surpris-



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ing that an ocean liner would be named in his honor.

**John R. Norris**  
*DeLand, Florida*

**Editor's Note:** Thanks to all our sharp-eyed readers for spotting this language blip. The error is ours, not the author's. A final "Spell Check" changed the text and no one caught the substitution (especially not me — possibly because my great-grandfather was a Gruber).

## Dark Stamps

I enjoyed reading Wayne Youngblood's article on "Illegal Postage" in the February AP (page 118). Having read it, I have to agree that, yes, the post office was seriously interested in not losing revenue to reuse of stamps. I don't think they are any more. If they were, they wouldn't produce all those dark commemorative stamps that don't activate the automatic canceller. Great Britain had the same problem a few years ago when they were forced to redesign their "country" issues to include a white border, so the stamps would activate the canceler.

I collect used U.S. In mail to friends,

I use stamps I have yet to receive cancelled. Between a quarter and a third of them end up in the garbage, never touched by a canceller. I gather from the post office figures that they get more revenue from selling unused, highly colored stamps to collectors than the cost to them of whatever stamps are reused. For the 2¢ necklace definitive, even when it is canceled, I have to look closely to distinguish the postmark. I'm sure postal employees don't have time to examine these stamps that closely.

His quotation from the *Domestic Mail Manual Regulations* includes the sentence "All non-denominated postage and makeup rate stamps... are valid at the original rate of issue." This is not true of the Breast Cancer stamp, which has risen in value along with the first class postage rate.

**Robert Ausubel**  
*New York, New York*

## Caveat Emptor!

I am writing to express my disappointment and concern over the manner in which two known auction houses

have described their bulk cover auction lots of postal history in recent auctions. It should not be difficult for professional auctioneers to describe such lots in a manner that reflects the overall condition of the covers. Based on my personal experience of the past year, I believe auction lot descriptions of large cover lots could be more helpful to online, non-attending bidders.

To say that a large group of covers are generally fine, when they are not, is unfair to online bidders who can't inspect the lots ahead of time. Severely toned, ripped, or roughly opened covers are not fine condition. Using one better-quality red herring cover in the description to give the lot an appearance of higher quality, is disappointing and misleading.

I have checked with several auction houses with which I do business and they tell me that on average 50 to 60 percent of their bidders do not personally attend their auctions, but rather are non-attending bidders who submit bids online. I'm in that 50 to 60th percentile that generally bids online, and providing

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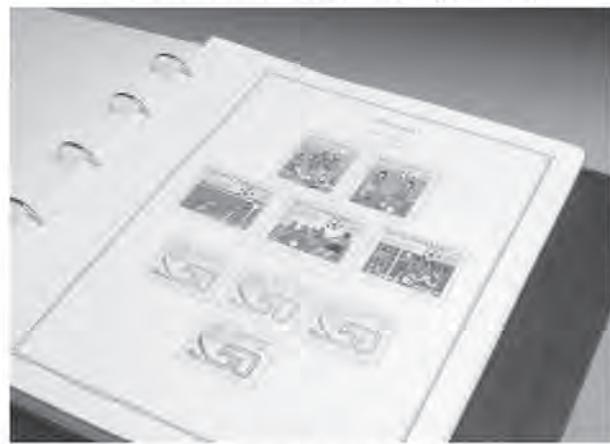
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accurate and ethical descriptions is fundamental to such online customers.

Let me share an example. The auction catalogue read, "U.S., Collector Accumulation of Naval Covers. Couple thousand in two banker boxes, mostly 1940's, bit earlier and a few 1950's, noted VJ Day from USS Mt. Olympus with cachet and cork Sept. 2 cancel in violet, good variety of vessels, events, etc., inspect, generally fine. Estimate \$400 to \$600."

When I sorted through the material, about thirty percent of the covers had moderate to severe toning. Overall condition of the covers ranged from 20 percent very fine to 30 percent that literally went into the trash. The envelopes that went in the trash were severely toned or had been roughly opened many with large tears. Most of the covers were from the 1940s but after World War II. The Tokyo Bay cover (red herring) highlighted in the description had three tears. About half of the lot were penny postcards (not mentioned in description) where collectors had requested ship cancels for their collection. On the bottom of one box

were paper clips, scraps of paper and lint. The lot was not a collector's accumulation; the banker boxes were clearly receptacles for undesirable covers.

I know auction descriptions have to be brief and represent the seller, but they also need to be accurate. With more vivid wording, a proper description could have been written that was no longer in length. In my view, the description of this lot should have included the phrase "condition quite variable and inspection required." Instead, the auction catalogue description suggested the lot was of a better quality. There was no mention of all the low value postcards or that the vast majority of material was purely philatelic. Either the auction house was too busy to thoroughly examine the lot before they described it, or they intentionally wrote the description to be misleading. The estimated value of the lot was quite inflated.

I accept responsibility for what I buy blind at auction — Caveat Emptor. As a rule, I don't ever bid on cover lots that say "Condition variable, inspec-

tion required." In the future I hope auction houses will examine their policy for describing lots that better represent off-site, online bidders who appear to be about half of their business. They need to describe large cover lots with a more sincere and straightforward description. I don't expect to get something for nothing, but I do expect to pull out a few covers that I can add to my advanced Naval Censorship Collection. Not so in this case. I hope this information serves to caution collectors who are considering an auction as a means to acquire material for their collections.

**Steve Henderson**  
Colorado Springs, Colorado

### Handsetting Type

I know that the masthead says that the publication cannot be responsible for the accuracy of information, so I want to correct what Wayne Youngblood wrote in his story on "A Celebration of Printing in America" (January AP, page 36).

It is obvious that Wayne never had experience in handsetting type. He



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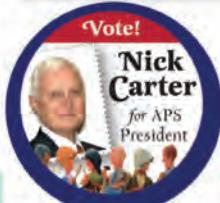
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wrote that the compositor sets his type in a "stick" (which is properly called a composing stick), setting the type upside down and backwards. We hand compositors do set the type upside down BUT NOT BACKWARDS. We set the type left to right, the same way we read printed material. .sdrawkcab daer dluow ti ,sdrawkcab tes erew ti fl

Being ill-informed, he failed to say that the type must be tied up or locked

up in some way. Then the type can be inked to pull a proof. In my eighty-two years, I have set thousands of lines of type and still do at my church print shop here in Omaha.

**Richard Orr**  
Omaha, Nebraska

ruary 2007 issue (page 148): the first such booklet, "The Story of Wedgwood," is highlighted and depicted twice, but no mention is made of another of its unique aspects: It is the only source of the ½p Machin head stamp (SG X842).

**Leonard Kolod**  
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### **Wedgewood and Machins**

With reference to Jeremy A. Lifsey's article on "Prestige Booklets" in the Feb-

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# Illegal Postage: *There's More Than One Way to Skin the USPS, Part III*

An illegal use is just that: something that has been used to pay postage that should not have been. As laid out in the United States Postal Service's *Domestic Mail Manual*, illegal uses can include invalidated stamps, reused postage stamps, limited special-service stamps, revenue stamps, cinderella labels, postal counterfeits, foreign stamps, or many other things.

This is the third of a three-part article that takes a look at the various ways the USPS has been defrauded by illegal postage, and some of the remedies it has sought to apply.

## Illegal Uses of Non-Stamp Items

In terms of the ability to cheat the USPS, the greatest advantage of automation is the opportunity it offers to use all kinds of things to pay postage that have absolutely nothing to do with the mail — and much of it gets through! Let's first concentrate on the most nefarious of these, postal counterfeits and related items, and then move on to the fun stuff.

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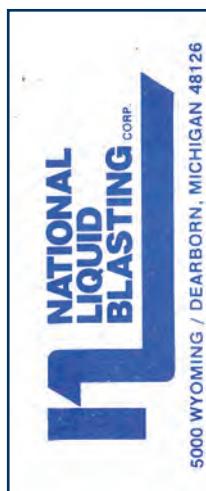
cifically to defraud postal authorities. Although postal counterfeits are documented through surviving examples from as early as the 1890s, there have been relatively few created and distributed (perhaps fewer than seventy-five different types). This is partially because there is relatively little payoff compared with the risk of capture. In fact, most postal counterfeit cases are tied in with other types of crimes, most frequently counterfeit currency or drugs.

Of the known postal counterfeits, almost all of them are extremely easy to distinguish with the unaided eye. They are crude compared to genuine examples. The most convincing of these, a

three-color offset reproduction of the 8-cent Eisenhower definitive (Scott 1396) is shown on a commercial cover from 1974. Due to the nature of postal counterfeits and their use as evidence in counterfeiting cases, surviving on-cover postal uses are always rare. It is legal to own and collect postal counterfeits for any case that is no longer being actively investigated.

Very closely related to postal counterfeits are those covers where illustrations of stamps (including photocopies) are used to pay postage. Although these illustrations, usually cut from philatelic sales catalogues, magazines, newspapers and other sources, were not treated with

The 8-cent Eisenhower definitive on this 1974 commercial cover is a postal counterfeit. Postal counterfeits on cover are rare.



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Each of these covers bears a non-stamp illustration cut from a newspaper, magazine, or catalogue to pay postage. One has had tagged selvage added in attempt to pass automated canceling machines.

the intention of defrauding the USPS, their use as such *is* fraud and is taken very seriously by postal inspectors. Several examples of illustrations clipped and used are shown, including one that had a 3-cent Blue Bird makeup-rate stamp added to pay the correct thirty-two cents franking! What's particularly interesting is that none of these covers was assessed postage due.

One of the postal regulations involving the color reproduction of postage

stamps is that any color reproduction that falls between the 75 percent and 125 percent ratio must bear some form of cancellation or defacement line to prevent its use as postage. The illustrated examples show that the regulation isn't always followed and — even when it is — it isn't always effective.

An unusual non-counterfeit item shown on cover is a dummy label that was distributed in mail box-shaped coil dispensers sold a few years ago by Wal-

Mart. A short strip of these items, which are identical to the 32-cent Flag Over Porch coil stamp (except for no denomination), was included for display in each dispenser. Technically, Wal-Mart followed postal regulations regarding the reproduction of stamps, but the retail giant unknowingly violated the spirit of the law. A number of the stamp-like labels found their way into the mail stream, and most examples I've seen seem to have gotten through without



This is not a 32-cent Flag Over Porch coil stamp. It is a dummy item that was distributed with mailbox-shaped stamp dispensers by Wal-Mart. Many of these labels understandably found their way into the mail stream.



Examples of a short-lived shortpaid mail scam that relied on phosphorescent tagging to get underpaid mail delivered successfully.



## Postage Scam Uses and Short Frankings

During the late 1980s and early 1990s there was a postage scam in wide distribution that relied primarily on the fact that almost all postage stamps had a phosphorescent coating that triggered automatic facing and canceling equipment. Because of that coating, machines couldn't discern between a 1-cent stamp and a \$5 stamp. That scam — and the illegal uses generated by it — resulted in a policy change in the way low-denomination postage stamps were produced.

Most versions of the short-paid postage scam claimed that those lucky few let in on a secret could legally mail all first-class matter for either two cents or six cents. There were two distinct approaches, both relying on the fact the letter in the potential victim's hand was delivered without postage due. Because the phosphor coating triggered automated equipment, most scam letters were delivered without postage due, making the claim appear to be true.

The first version of the scam letter claimed that the ability to mail inexpensive letters was through a little-known U.S. Government postal regulation. The secret could be had for a mere \$10. The second version at least stated that the letter was delivered through an oversight by the USPS, but that there was a secret process involved with doing it properly. The cost? A mere \$10.

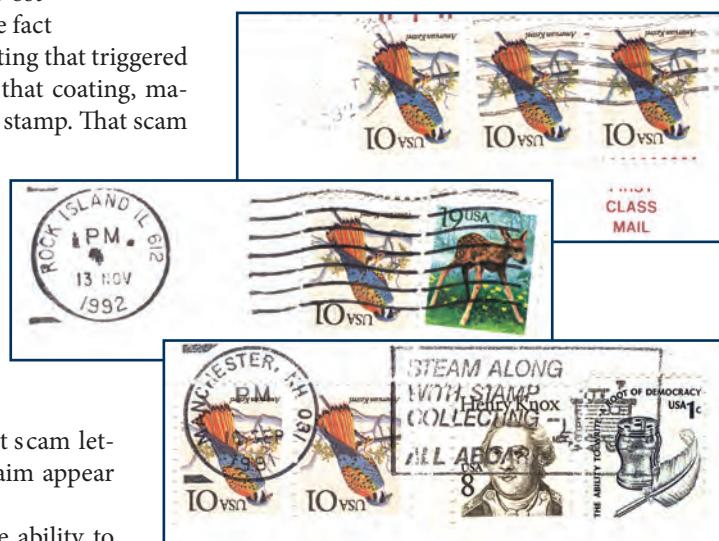
If a victim sent the \$10, they were told to simply stamp everything "First Class" in red under the stamps, along with various other bits of untrue mumbo-jumbo, and that they now could legally sell their secret to as many other people as they wished at \$10 or whatever price they chose. Many people never bothered to send the \$10, but then thought they had a license to short-frank all their mail, such as in the examples shown.

Like ripples on the water, this scam continued to spread, until the U.S. Postal Inspectors got involved and actively began to pursue those who were sending out short-franked mail. Postal clerks and carriers were told to keep a sharp eye for this illegal mail matter as well.

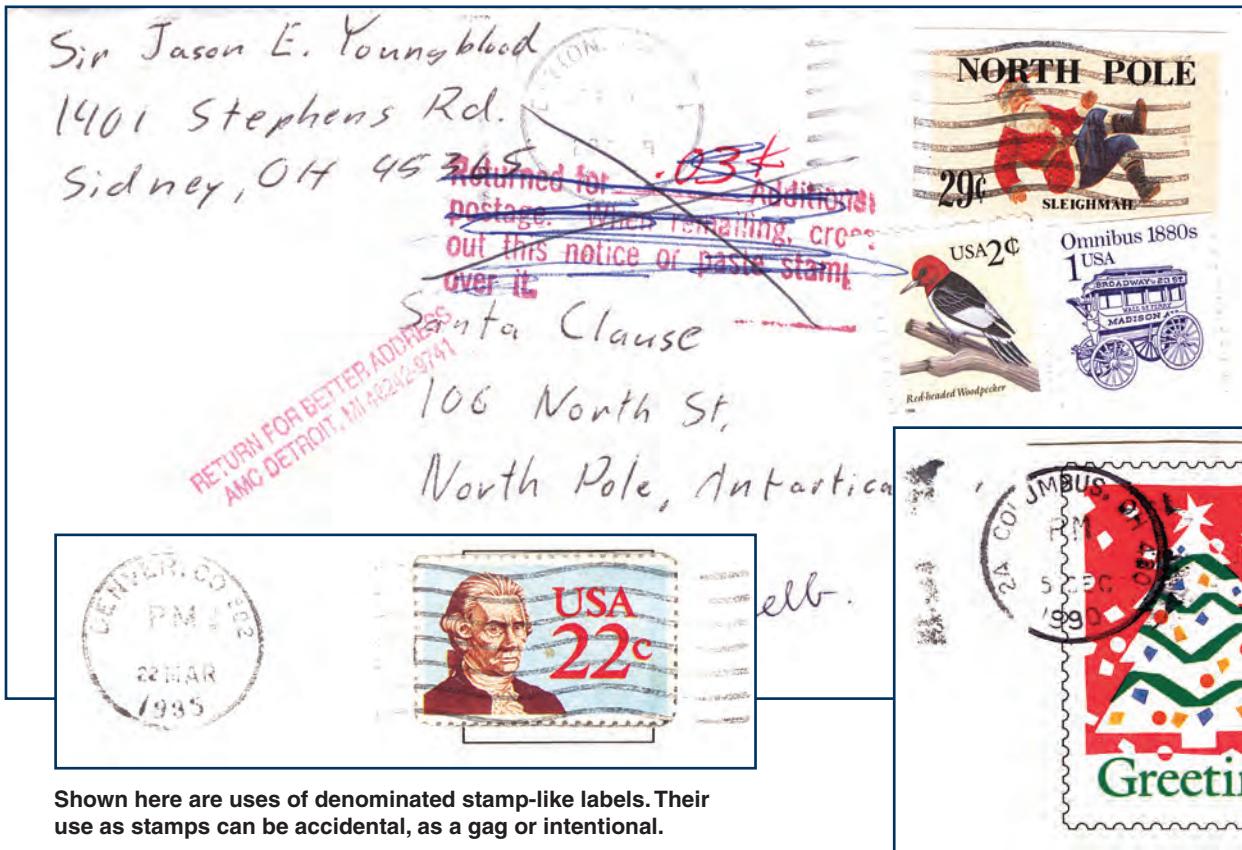
Finally, in early 1992, the USPS made an announcement that it would soon stop applying taggant to all low-value U.S. stamps (ten cents and lower). Thus, all low-value stamps then in use, such as the 1-cent Omnibus, 2-cent Mary Lyon, 3-cent Paul Dudley White, 4-cent Father Flanagan, and others were produced in untagged versions the next time they were reprinted, creating new major varieties for collectors to pursue.

About the same time, another scam began rearing its ugly head, based on the decision by the USPS to drop the cent sign from stamps and express the denomination as "01," "02," and so on. Those who perpetrated this new scam simply told victims to affix 1-cent stamps upside-down so that they'd resemble 10-cent stamps. Examples of these uses are shown at bottom in the accompanying illustration, including one "overpaid" by one cent (if the franking had been actual 10-cent stamps).

The USPS soon dropped the practice of adding a "0" to the denomination.



These covers all have 1-cent stamps affixed upside-down to resemble 10-cent stamps.



detection. Although these aren't counterfeits (there was no intent to defraud with their creation), their use on mail is illegal. However, they so closely match real stamps that it is understandable that many people thought they were getting free postage with their stamp dispenser.

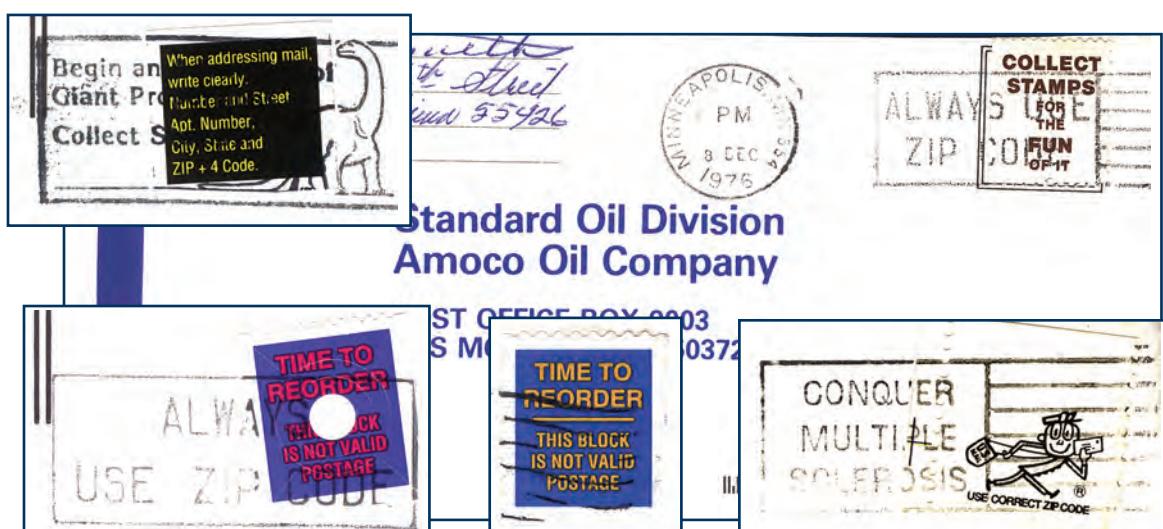
Other stamp-like cinderellas — including denominated stickers from *Mad Magazine*, fantasy labels from Dover Publications, and even the booklet covers for U.S. stamps — have been used as postage stamps. Some have been used to avoid paying postage; others have been

unintentional use; and some are sent as gags by and to collectors.

Stamp by-products, such as the Mr. Zip selvage and slogan labels from stamp booklets, have long been used as an alternative source of postage. Regardless of intent, most of these items historically have passed through the postal system successfully, because they have the same coating of phosphorescent taggant as actual stamps. Without manual examination, there's no reason to assume they would be detected. Recent booklets have had the labels die-cut in a way

that would destroy them if an attempt is made to remove them from the booklet, and the selvage area of most U.S. stamps is no longer tagged, in an effort to stop this type of illegal use.

The final category of non-stamp illegal uses is kind of a catch-all grouping of charity labels, political seals, novelty seals, trading stamps, and other odd or unusual frankings, including a label from a cigarette package! Over the years I've found dozens of uses of these items that have been used successfully. Most of these items do not resemble stamps, and





All types of non-stamp items — including cigarette labels, novelty seals, charity labels, and political propaganda seals — have been used by people as stamps over the years. Many are delivered without consequence.

most were used to avoid payment of postage.

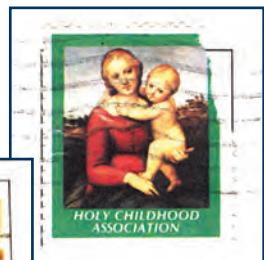
So what ultimately motivates people to avoid paying postage by illegally using invalid, improper, postal counterfeit, or simply non-stamp items to pay postage? To be sure, there is some criminal intent present (most esp e-  
cially postal counterfeits and large numbers of washed or altered stamps), but I suspect most people don't give it much thought at all. To some, it is a way to save a bit of money. After all, as rapidly as postal rates have risen the past few years, it's not like they're doing anything wrong, right? To others it's simply a game to play — either with other collectors or as a prank on the USPS. But there also is a la rge number of people who simply don't know or understand that they're doing something wrong. I've known several elderly women who were very appreciative that those who mail out Christmas seals each year are providing them with stamps for their holiday mail!

In all cas es, such illegal uses and the variety of ways they are handled by the USPS provides us with a wonderfully complex and enjoyable form of postal history.

## Labels That Mimic Stamp Designs

Shown in t he accompanying illustration is the 1973 8-cent Traditional Christmas issue (Scott 1507), which reproduces a painting by Rafael (*Small Cowper Madonna*) that hangs in the National Gallery of Art in Washington, DC.

That same painting has been used since as the basis of designs for at least two charity seals by the Holy Childhood Association. Those seals, issued in 1976 a nd 1986, apparently were confused by some with actual postage stamps and were used on mail, as can be seen on the illustrated cov-  
ers. Such uses, where seals very closely resemble existing postage stamps, stand a much higher likelihood of traveling through the mail system without detection, although their use is ille-  
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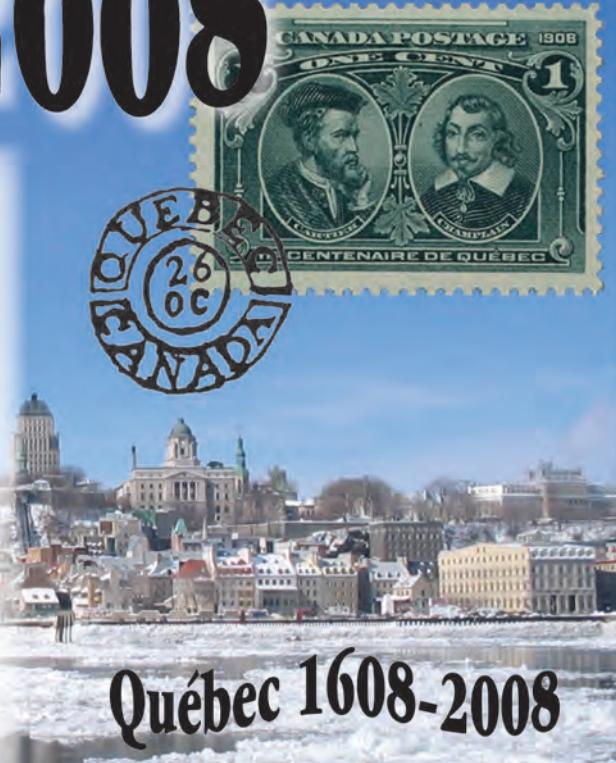
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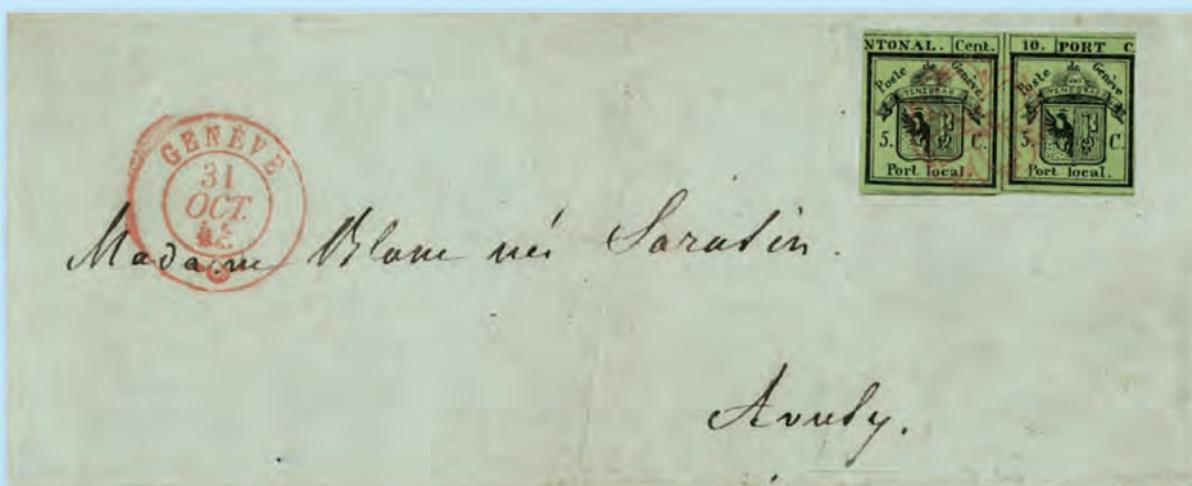
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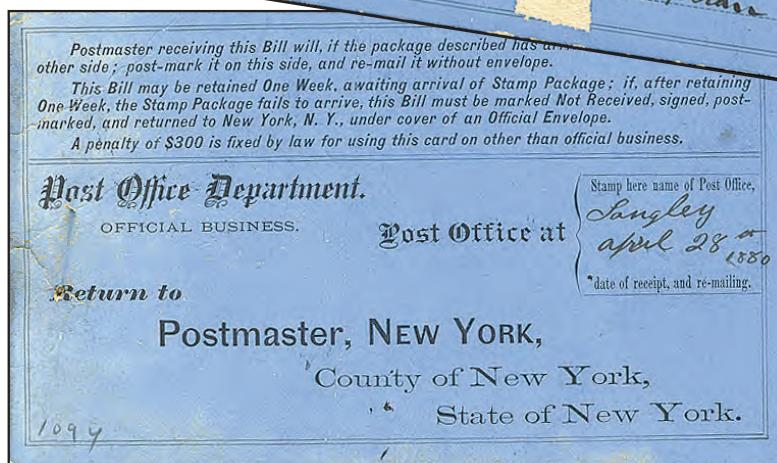
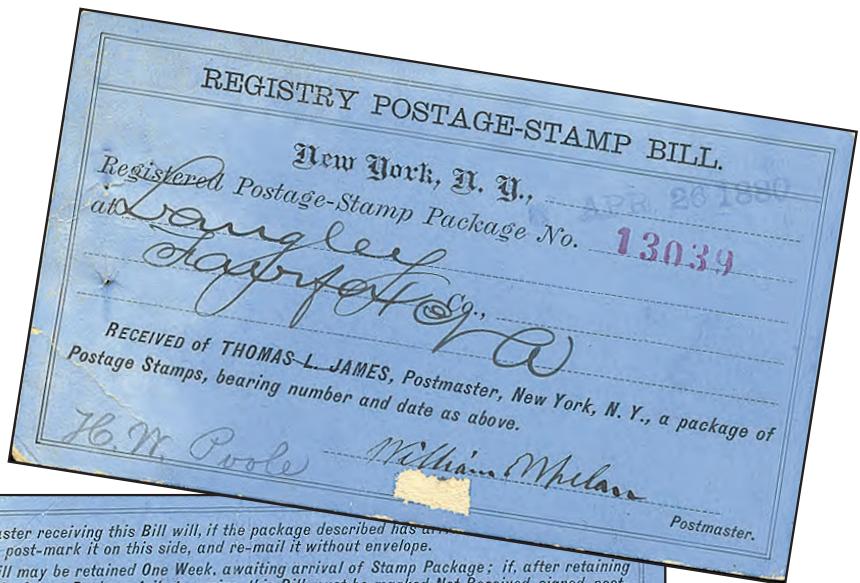




# Forms Miscellany

Only a little over a month after publication of my January column on "Stamp, Envelope, and Postcard Shipments," two members supplied scans of forms related to these shipments of accountable paper that I had not previously seen. In this month's column, besides sharing the things sent to me and answering a couple of questions, I also will pose additional queries that other readers may be able to answer and illustrate with scans.

The bright blue "Registry Postage-Stamp Bill" sent by Roger Brody was related to "Registered Postage-Stamp Package No. 13039" mailed from New York on April 26, 1880, to Langley in Fairfax County, Virginia. Two days later the card was returned to New York with a Langley manuscript cancellation. The Registry Postage-Stamp Bill served a function parallel to the ordinary gray "Registry Bill." Each card was returned to the post office from which a registered package had originated in order to acknowledge its safe arrival. We know from the 1879 *Postal Law & Regulations* (*PL&R*) that



Two markings on the card, "1094" on the front and "H. W. Poole" on the back, do not appear to have a postal origin. Poole could not be found as an APS member.

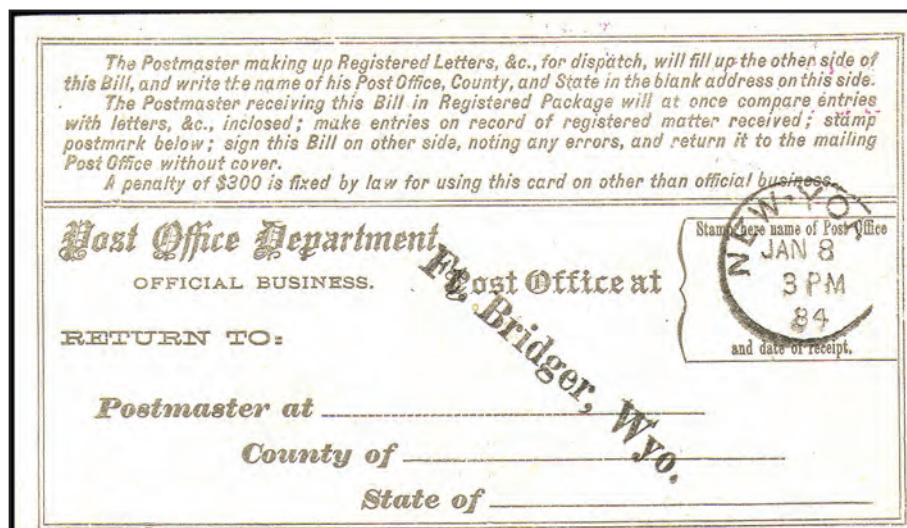
the gray Registry Bill cards forms were new in that year; the blue Registry Postage-Stamp Bill cards appear to have been introduced at about the same.

The layout and design, especially for the front, of the two cards is quite similar. Since all stamp shipments originated in New York and these blue cards were only

used for this single type of registered package, they have more preprinted information than the generic gray Registry Bills. Unlike the gray Registry Bills that accompanied their Registered Letters in the Registered Package Envelopes, the instructions at the top front of the blue Registry Postage-Stamp Bills make it clear that these cards were sent separately from the stamp shipment itself, probably in some type of official envelope:

Postmaster receiving this Bill will, if the package described has arrived, Sign this Bill on the other side; post-mark it on this side and re-mail it without envelope.

This Bill may be retained One Week, awaiting the arrival of Stamp Package: if, after retaining One Week, the Stamp Package fails to arrive, this Bill must be marked Not Received, signed, post-marked, and returned to New York, N.Y., under cover of an Official Envelope.



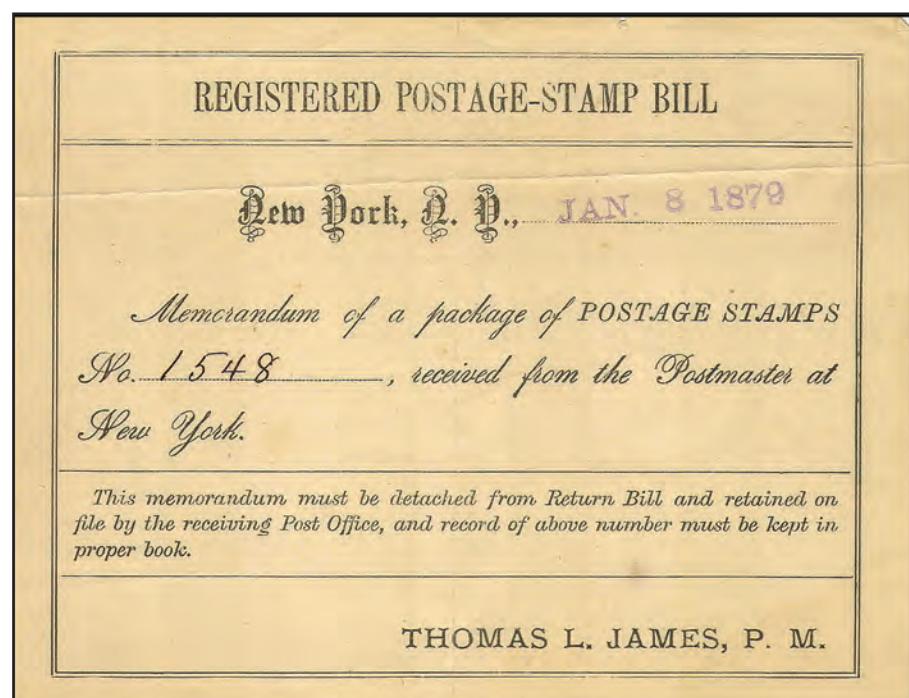
A December 31, 1883 Ft. Bridger, Wyoming territorial use of a Registry Bill.

the form that had preceded the blue card. Assuming the same sort of parallel procedures as for ordinary registered letters, this 1879 form would be the left half of a two-part form. The instructions at the bottom support this conclusion: "This memorandum must be detached from Return Bill and retained on file by the receiving Post Office, and record of the above number must be kept in proper book." While these halves would be filed in post offices all across the country, the Return Registered Postage-Stamp Bills (the half we do not have) would all be returned to the New York Post Office and most likely sold to a waste paper dealer after the necessary period of document retention. If these forms were introduced at the same time as the ordinary two-part Registered Letter Bills, they were in use for twenty-two years, from 1857 until being replaced by the blue cards in 1879. Anyone having a Return half is encouraged to send me a scan.

Both card and paper slip varieties of the Postage Stamp Bill served only to confirm to the New York postmaster that the registered package of stamps had arrived safely. Confirmation as to a correct accounting for the contents of the package was done by means of the "Postage Stamp Agency" or "Division of Stamps" forms illustrated in the January column.

Russ Ryle also supplied the 1931 Registered Package label off a package originating in the "Stamp Section" of the Saint Louis Post Office and sent to Gravois Station in south St. Louis. A larger distribution network existed to supply smaller post offices in rural parts of the state. Sometime between the 1913 and the 1924 editions<sup>1</sup> of the *PL&R*, the stamp requisition procedures were changed to include a network of local distribution centers.

Large urban post offices, designated as "central accounting" post offices, received requisitions from and distributed stamps, envelopes, and postcards to third- and fourth-class post offices, called "district" post offices. The post offices between these two groups, referred to in the regulations as "direct" post offices and probably comprised of smaller first-class post offices and all second-class post offices requisitioned their stamps directly from the Third Assistant Postmaster General. Although the nomenclature and procedures have changed, local post offices still requisitioned



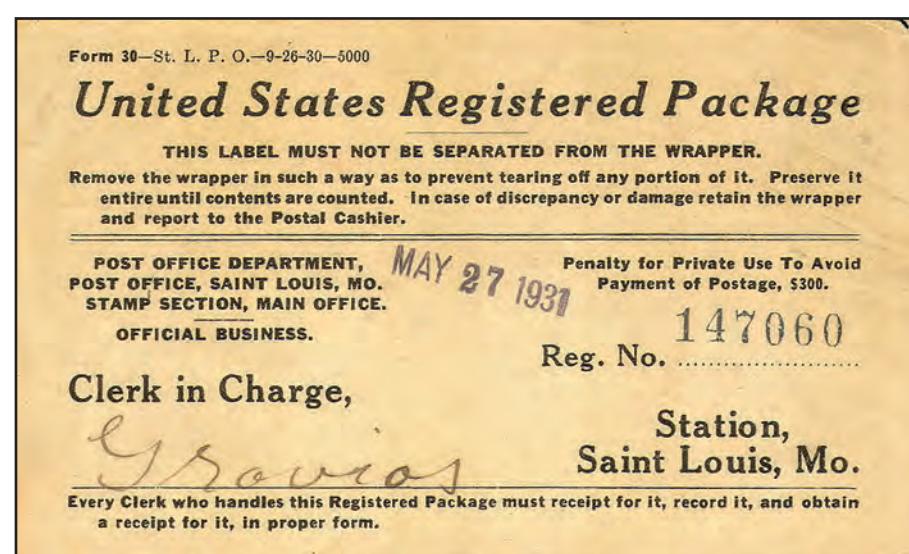
Presumably, this is the left-hand portion of a two-part form from which the right-hand side, the Return Registered Postage-Stamp Bill, was detached and returned to New York. Eight days into the new year and this is the 1548th stamp shipment of the quarter.

tion their stamps from centrally located district offices. Establishing the exact date for the creation of this distribution network will require searching the annual and monthly editions of the *Official Postal Guide*. If someone has, or finds that date I would be glad to share it in a future column.

The line in the upper left corner, "Form 30 - St. L. P. O. - 9-26-30-5000" reminds us that St. Louis, like other large urban post offices, had its own printing shop for producing local forms such as

this Registered Package label. The instructions emphasize the accountability for the contents of the package: "THIS LABEL MUST NOT BE SEPARATED FROM THE WRAPPER. Remove the wrapper in such a way as to prevent tearing any portion of it. Preserve it entire until contents are counted. In case of discrepancy or damage retain the wrapper and report to the Postal Cashier."

The St. Louis Post Office only supplied stamps to half of Missouri; two documents from the St. Louis Post Of-



Gravois, the name of the south St. Louis Station, has been misspelled on this label.

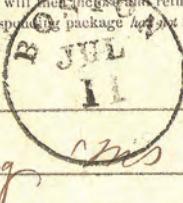
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**REGISTERED LETTERS Received from**



This form must date from either 1861 or 1862, because John G. Palfrey was appointed Boston Postmaster on March 29, 1861, serving until 1867; and the registry fee was raised to 20 cents on July 1, 1863. Note that the 5-cent registry fee was collected in money separately from the 3-cent postage paid by stamp.

fice provided a view into the scale of this distribution operation. In a 1940 speech to the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce, Postmaster W. Rufus Jackson told his audience that third and fourth class (district) post offices in the eastern half of Missouri requisitioned \$888,578.93 worth of stamps during 1939. Additionally the St. Louis Post Office housed Sub-Agency of the Stamped Envelope Agency. While requisitions were made to the Third Assistant Postmaster General, the Sub-Agency supplied over \$1 million worth of stamp envelopes and over \$1.2 million in postal cards to Post Offices west of the Mississippi River, including Alaska and Hawaii, as well as to Post Offices in states bordering the east side of the Mississippi River.

Bernard Dickmann, the Acting Postmaster in 1944, prepared a pamphlet, "Know Your Post Office," to better acquaint his staff with overall operations in their place of employment. For 1943 the value of stamps requisitioned by small post offices in eastern Missouri had risen

to \$2,173,755.77. Sub-Agency envelope shipments exceeded \$1.1 million, while postal cards had slipped a little but were still more than \$1.2 million. While wrappers and labels were usually discarded after the contents had been counted, a few other labels could come to light. I would be glad to share scans if they are sent to me.

My July 2006 column, "An Introduction to Collecting 19th-Century Registry Blanks," mentioned the "Correct" markings found on Return Registered Letter Bills and gray Registry Bill cards. Before replying to a question about the earliest known usage for this marking, I want to expand a bit on its usage. Beginning in 1857, when these forms were returned to the post office from which a registered letter or package had originated, they were to be marked "Correct," unless corrections were made to the form, along with the date and postmaster's signature.<sup>2</sup> Although use of the word "Correct" was dropped from the 1879 *PL&R*, as well as the subsequent editions, its use

in auxiliary markings continued until at least 1890.

The earliest use of the “Correct” marking I have seen is an 1858 manuscript similar to this July 11 form [FRM-172] returned from Boston to Erving, Massachusetts, in 1861 or 1862. Dr. James Milgram illustrates a “Correct” handstamp used December 23, 1866 in Washington, DC.<sup>3</sup> These handstamps are unlikely to be found anywhere except on Registry Bills. They appear in a wide variety of styles, and they were not distributed by the Post Office Department. Readers with any pre-1858 or post-1890 examples of the “Correct” marking, or pre-1867 handstamp “Correct” markings are encouraged to send scans.

Although I have illustrated a few more examples in *Auxiliary Markings*,<sup>3</sup> the quarterly newsletter of the Auxiliary Markings Club, this class of markings would make an excellent topic for someone to study or exhibit. For additional information on this APS affiliate, please see the website: [www.postal-markings.org](http://www.postal-markings.org). I continue to be amazed by the enormity of our project to document the forms used by the United States Post Office. But, at the same time, I am impressed and encouraged by the interest expressed and conversations begun.

If you have information to share, or want to join in the conversation write to me at dls@wustl.edu or P.O. Box 32858, St. Louis, MO 63132.

### Endnotes

1. The 1913 *PL&R* (Sec. 335) reads “Requisitions for postage stamps of all kind ... shall be made on the Third Assistant Postmaster General, Division of Stamps, on Forms 3201, 3202, and 3265. Telegraphic requisitions are objectionable.” The 1924 *PL&R* (Sec. 158) reads “Requisitions for postage stamps of all kind ... shall be made by direct and central accounting postmasters on the Third Assistant Postmaster General, Division of Stamps, on Forms 3201 and 3202. Telegraphic requisitions are objectionable. ... District postmasters shall draw requisitions on their central-accounting postmasters, using Forms 3338 and 3202-d.” While I could not find an exact definition, the implication appears that “district postmasters” were in 3rd- and 4th-class post offices.
  2. *PL&R* 1857, Section 390.
  3. *United States Registered Mail 1845–1870*, page 52.
  4. “Missing Lines — Auxiliary Markings on Post Office Form 1550,” *Auxiliary Markings* (April 2007).

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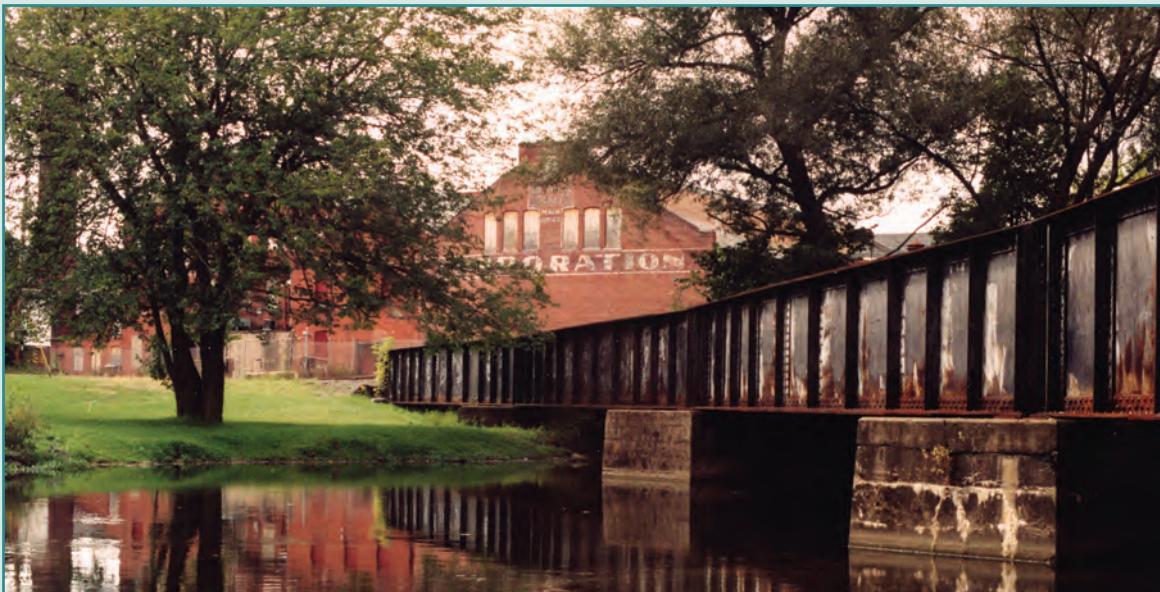


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The Society and Library received more than \$725,000 in cash gifts during 2006, plus thirty new pledges totaling nearly \$170,000 to be paid over the next five years. However, we still have work to do to achieve the ten-year goal of \$10 million established by the Board for the Campaign for Philately.

Last year, the Society and Library received cash gifts from 3,580 donors, about eight percent of the membership. About 60 percent of the donations were \$25 or more. In 2006 estates contributed almost \$118,000. We received nearly \$110,000 from sixty-five organizations, and \$55,000 was received in memory or honor of fifty-nine different individuals. More than \$4,000 was received in matching gifts by members' employers.

During the course of the year, various organizations and individual members responded above and beyond expectations. "Friends of Bob Lamb" donated more than \$26,000 toward the development of the APC in honor of his retirement last year as Executive Director of the APS. Westpex hosted its first Tiffany Dinner, raising more than \$25,000 from that organization and other individual contributors in the San Francisco area. Our membership responded generously to the \$75,000 matching grant from Washington 2006 as part of our efforts to raise funds to erect the Gordon and Mary Morison Pavilion that will house the Headsville Post Office and General Store. Collector Eliot Landau and his wife Eileen donated a portion of auction proceeds to fund a reading lounge in the Library, and APS mem-

ber Don David Price made the first major commitment toward a Rarities Gallery that will be housed in a future development phase of the APC. Thank you all!

In-kind giving was also very strong with 270 gifts valued at \$100 or more. In-kind gifts enhance our ability to serve members with additional literature for the Library, additional stamps for the Reference Collection, and a stronger supply of material to support youth and educational efforts.

The Recognition pages chronicle members' cash donations of \$25 or more and in-kind donations valued at \$100 or more. Most of the cash received during 2006 was designated for the American Philatelic Center. This project has relied completely on the generosity of members, as the Society's dues income have been reserved exclusively to pay for member services. We also thank those members who chose to support specific activities such as the Youth Program, the Library, the Expertizing Service, or the Endowment Fund. While completing the American Philatelic Center is a key focus of the Campaign for Philately, these donor-directed contributions help us achieve and maintain the quality programs and services you have come to expect from your APS and APRL.

We welcome your questions. Please contact Executive Director Peter Mastrangelo ([pcm@stamps.org](mailto:pcm@stamps.org)) or Deputy Executive Director Ken Martin ([kpmartin@stamps.org](mailto:kpmartin@stamps.org)) with your inquiries. Thank you for your continued support.

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## Dear Fellow APS Members,

It is a special privilege to greet you as the Chair of the APS/APRL Campaign for Philately. In preparing this letter, I was reminded of a wonderful story told by Jay Leno:

"I was in line at the grocery store the other day. The cashier was really rude to people. When it was my turn, I handed her my money, she grabbed it, gave me my change, and that was it. I couldn't help myself. I asked, 'Would it kill you to at least say thank you?' She looked up and snapped, 'It's printed on your receipt.'"

Well, I know we're not like the cashier. It's simply not sufficient to just print this "Thank You" in the AP. Actually, we can't say Thank You enough. This special recognition section is our opportunity to celebrate and summarize all our gratitude and appreciation. You know yourself how much a Thank You means — and how good it makes you feel when someone says it.

A member asked me why we use so much important space to list everyone's name. There are many reasons. The most important is to get the message out that each and every one of our donors, from the collector who gave us \$25 to the collector who gave us \$5,000 in 2006, is so important to the success of our programs and services. It also demonstrates the amazing grass roots support developed over the past three years as we approach foundations and other institutions for support.

Thank you so much, each and every one of you, and, yes, it's printed here in the AP!

Yours for the future of our hobby,  
**Steven J. Rod, Chair**  
**Campaign for Philately**

P.S.: Winston Churchill said "You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give." I am so proud of our APS family. You have made such a strong statement about the quality of our lives with your 2006 giving.

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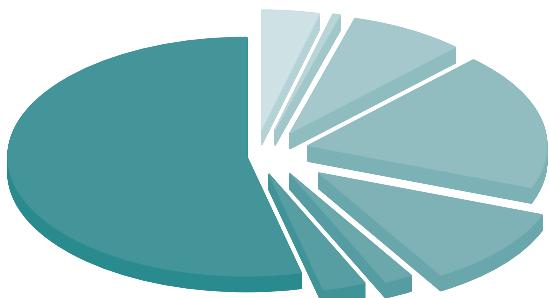
# The Campaign for Philately

The Campaign for Philately is the banner under which the APS and APRL jointly conduct fund-raising activities. The purpose of our ten-year \$10 million Campaign is to raise funds for the completion of the American Philatelic Center and to provide resources for programs and endowments. Donors may direct their gifts for specific purposes. Undesignated gifts are utilized consistent with the purpose of the Campaign, including current programs and services.

Our Campaign priority is to finish the restoration of the historic American Philatelic Center to include:

- permanent, larger facilities for the American Philatelic Research Library
- museum space, including a special Rarities Gallery
- a Milestones of Philately Pathway
- a contract post office
- a new home for the historic Headsville Post Office that is currently housed in the Smithsonian Institution
- additional income-producing tenant space

## 2006 APS/APRL Gift Summary (Cash & Securities Only)



Library Unrestricted — \$32,990
Library Program Services — \$540
Library Endowment — \$58,495
Campaign Unrestricted — \$139,849
APS Unrestricted — \$79,794
APS Program Services — \$4,379
APS Endowment — \$9,427
<b>American Philatelic Center — \$400,731</b>

## Campaign for Philately (November 1, 2003 – December 31, 2006)



Library Unrestricted — \$144,368
Library Program Services — \$3,520
Library Endowment — \$166,012
Campaign Unrestricted — \$154,006
APS Unrestricted — \$89,438
APS Program Services — \$37,150
APS Endowment — \$74,592
<b>American Philatelic Center — \$2,278,212</b>

Other services and initiatives that will benefit from the campaign include membership promotion, technology upgrades, youth and education programs, advertising and public relations campaigns promoting the hobby, and the creative use of emerging digital and internet resources.

For more information on how you or your organization can support the Campaign for Philately and its centerpiece — development of the American Philatelic Center — please contact Peter Mastrangelo or Ken Martin at APS headquarters at 814-933-3803.



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# The Rarities Gallery

by Don David Price

The "Rarities Gallery" is an idea that I conceived to inspire philatelists to lend their exhibits, collections or valuable individual stamps, blocks, covers, postal history items, and philatelic memorabilia of all kinds to the American Philatelic Center for display purposes.



The goal is to create a secure, climate-controlled exhibit area within the American Philatelic Center in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, accessible to visitors. Rare philatelic material of every kind could be loaned or donated to the APS for short- or long-term display periods. Philatelic items from the APS and APRL collections, such as the "Inverted Jenny," could be displayed.

The "Rarities Gallery" would encourage philatelists and others to visit the Center as they would visit the National Postal Museum —to view rarities and one-of-a-kind philatelic exhibits they might only have read about, but never dreamed of seeing. The exhibit collections could be rotated from time to time, promoted in *The American Philatelist*, and those not currently on display could be viewed from reserve shelves or display cases, much like research materials are viewed in libraries.

I have pledged the "seed" money in the amount of \$25,000 to get the Rarities Gallery project started; however, both small and large monetary contributions are needed to realize our goal of the Rarities Gallery. The Gallery may be named after a person or an institution for a \$1 million dollar donation.

Individuals or organizations who are interested in being part of this project may contact me, Don David Price, at ddprice98@hotmail.com or Executive Director Peter C. Mastrangelo at pcm@stamps.org or by telephoning him at 814-933-3803. All ideas are welcome.

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# American Philatelic Center Moving Forward



Progress continues on executing Phase IV of the American Philatelic Center. This includes construction of the Gordon and Mary Morison Pavilion, which will house the Headsville Post Office exhibit, and tenant space that will house a restaurant and physical therapy center. Our initial efforts to raise funds to erect the Gordon and Mary Morison Pavilion received a major boost from a \$75,000 matching grant from Washington 2006. Thanks to you, our members, we not only met that match, we continue to receive donations toward this project. Thank you Washington 2006!

Once the Pavilion and Headsville Post Office exhibit are erected, the long-awaited public contract post office at the APC will become a reality. Completion of the Gordon and Mary Morison Pavilion and Headsville Post Office project is scheduled for this fall. The next tenant section will be completed in early 2008. Estimated construction costs for Phase IV are about \$1.85 million.

Much progress has been made since the start of renovations on the historic Match Factory complex in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, that houses the APS, APRL, and a variety of tenants., yet, we have farther to

go. Phases I, II, and III of the renovations included tenant facilities, APS offices, the temporary home of the APRL, and our education wing. These were financed through the sale of our previous building (\$2.34 million), bank financing (\$3.45 million), and donated funds (\$2.05 million). With about \$7.8 million in the project, preliminary architectural estimates indicate that it will take another \$6–7 million (including Phase IV) to expand the American Philatelic Center to its full potential. The plans described above are part of this, and will provide a permanent home for the library, expanded exhibit and function space, and additional tenant space that will enable us to afford the operating and financing costs. Through grants, fund-raising, and additional tenant-income streams, a completed complex is more than a dream — it is a reality within our grasp.

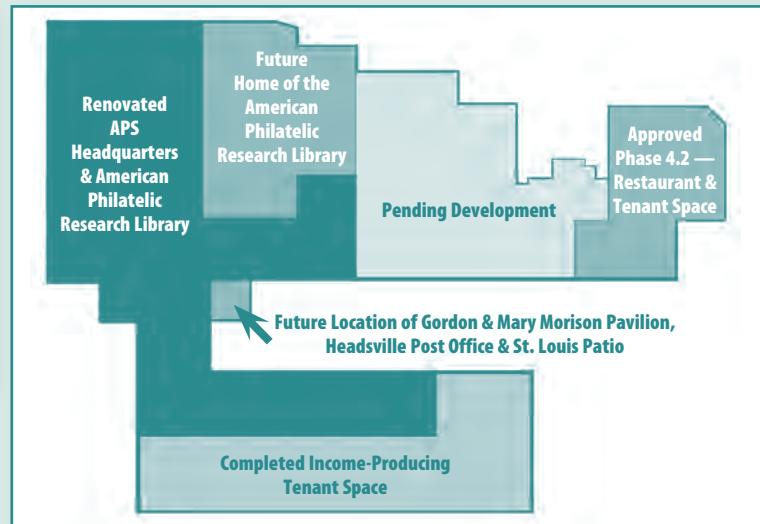
For more information on how you or your organization can support the development of the American Philatelic Center, the centerpiece of the Campaign for Philately, please contact Peter Mastrangelo or Ken Martin at APS headquarters.



Headsville Post Office



APS President Janet Klug and Gordon Morison receive a check from Steve Luster, and Michael Dixon, President of WASHINGTON 2006, for the Gordon and Mary Morison Pavilion.



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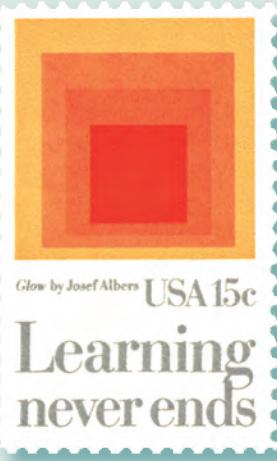
by Eliot A. Landau

It would take too long to express the many pleasures that philately has brought me. Much of it is due to many wonderful friends that I have shared experiences with over the years. Many hours were spent helping others better understand their material and mentoring those who chose to exhibit to help improve how they present their collections. I especially enjoy answering questions and giving advice to boys and girls as they take their first steps into the joy of stamps and the many wonderful stories that can be learned from them.

Throughout all this I have been sustained by a marvelous resource, the American Philatelic Research Library. It has been my high school and then my university in learning about my own collecting areas and those of other collectors whom I help and whose exhibits I judge. The wealth of its materials and the willing assistance of its staff have been mainstays for me for decades. I am also very grateful for the many programs of APS in hosting, encouraging and assisting shows, collectors and societies throughout the United States and on the international scene.

All of these are reasons why my wife Eileen (who has dipped her toes into the pool of philatelic enjoyment) and I decided that when some of my collections were to be sold, we would dedicate a portion of the money received to benefit APS/APRL and support their new home and continuing programs. We are very happy to have funded a Reading Lounge in the APRL and to have participated in donating to and raising funds from others for three meeting rooms and a thematic collections project honoring Mary Ann Owens in the American Philatelic Center. I urge each of you, when the time comes to sell your own collection or exhibit, to give back to philately to assist present and future collectors in sharing the pleasures that it has brought to you. Please join the Campaign for Philately and donate a portion of your sale proceeds to APS or APRL to keep our great hobby going and sharing its pleasures with so many others.

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William C. Breakiron  
Rexford R. Briggs  
Deborah M. Brock  
F. Y. Brown Spears  
Martin E. Brunelle  
Robert O. Burch  
Bux-Mont Stamp Club  
Fred L. Buza  
Chris W. Calle (17)  
Garry L. Camolli (3)  
Clifford J. Campbell  
Elmer Campbell  
Gary C. Campbell  
Richard W. Canupp (2)  
Luis A. Capestaney  
Capital City Philatelic Society  
Alfred F. Capparelli (3)  
Vance W. Carmichael  
Alvaro Castro-Harrigan  
Everell V. Chadwick  
Joseph C. Chang  
Charlotte Philatelic Society (3)  
Charlottesville Stamp Club  
William Chesser  
Chicago Air Mail Society  
Chittenden County  
Stamp Club (5)  
Lawrence L. Clarke  
Marion J. Clever  
Brad C. Cobb  
David M. Cobb  
Lauren M. Cochrane (3)  
Daniel W. Cohen  
Victor M. Collinino  
Gordon J. Collins  
Charles V. Covell  
Kevin W. Cranick  
Steven D. Cripe  
Jeremy J. Crouse (2)  
Arnold M. Cukier  
James T. Currie  
George J. Cvejanovich  
Charles E. Cwiakala  
Dan River Philatelic Society  
Charles J. Darkins  
Edward L. Davidson  
Robert H. Davidson  
Lynn A. Davidson-Stroh  
Jack A. Denys  
Anthony B. Desouza  
Paul E. Detwiler  
Howard D. Dewald  
Curtis E. Dexter  
R.J. Di Blasi  
Christopher Diaz (8)  
Edward A. Dimmick  
Michael D. Dixon  
Richard A. Dolejs  
James P. Doolin  
W. P. Dorgeloh  
Gordon J. Downey  
Albert H. Dredge  
David N. Druett  
Christine Duffy  
Robert F. Dumaine (15)  
Hughes O. Dziwoki  
Charles E. Eastman (3)  
Bernie Edelman

## Top Recruiters for 2006

Donald J. Sundman	286
Chris W. Calle.	17
William A. Herzig	17
Robert F. Dumaine	15
Virginia Goldberg	14
David F. Hoover	11
Marios Theodossiou	11
Eric A. Jackson	10
Clark Frazier	9
Steven E. Schinbeckler	9
Christopher Diaz	8
Richard L. Wolfe	8
Hugh W. Wood	8
Kevin LaFrance	7
Vance M. Lewis	7
May Day Taylor	7
Harold V. Williams	7
Roger S. Edelman	6
Tina Heitmann	6
Dennis R. Abel	5
David Kols	5
Lyle F. Lueck	5

Roger S. Edelman (6)  
Cheryl B. Edgcomb (2)  
Arthur Elkins  
Jack T. Ericson  
Erie Stamp Club (2)  
Laurie Espinoza Prescott (2)  
Euclid Stamp Club (2)  
Vera R. Felts  
Fort Findlay Stamp Club  
Clark Frazier (9)  
Ralph Freudenthal  
A. E. Gaddy  
Cheryl Ganz  
Philip A. Garant (2)  
Gastineau Philatelic Society  
General Francis Marion  
Stamp Club (2)  
Michael J. Generali  
Chapter 23 Germany  
Philatelic Society  
John R. Gibson  
Curtis E. Gidding (3)  
Arthur A. Giese  
David B. S. Giles  
Henry L. Gitner  
Virginia Goldberg (14)  
Edward Goldsmith  
Luis J. Gonzalez  
David M. Gordon

Werner Graba	John P. Kellas	Robert K. Miller	Robert C. Graebner Chapter 17
Edward J. J. Grabowski	Gregory S. Kellermann (2)	MIPS/ATA	AFDCS (3)
Granite City Stamp Club	Jonathon W. Kennedy	Missile Stamp Club	William B. Robinson (2)
Greater Augusta Stamp	Byron E. Kennel (2)	Patricia Moeser	Rochester Philatelic Association
Club (3)	Kentucky Stamp Club	Mostafa Momen	Rocky Mountain Stamp
Greater Cincinnati Philatelic	W.A. King	Jose A. Montalvo	Show (3)
Society (3)	Robert O. Knecht	Lou Montesano	Gilbert M. Roderick (4)
Greater Richmond Stamp	Knoxville Philatelic Society (3)	George L. Moore	Rodney W. Rodgers
Club (8)	David Kols (5)	Christopher L. Morrison	Michael Rogers (2)
Greater Toronto Area	Delane C. Kritsky	Morrisville Stamp Club	Rogue Valley Stamp Club (2)
Philatelic Alliance (14)	Joseph E. Krois	James P. Mounier	Robert W. Roose
Green Mountain Stamp Society	Seppo Laaksonen	James A. Mowrer	Leonard Rosenberg
Gulf Coast Stamp Club	Guy Labelle	Mount Nittany Philatelic	Roseville Stamp Club (2)
Hagerstown Stamp Club	David L. Labossiere	Society (2)	Bruce F. Rothmann
Alexander T. Haimann (3)	Kevin Lafrance (7)	Raymond H. Murphy	Benjamin N. Roytshteyn
Mark L. Hamburg	Lake Minnetonka Stamp Club	Richard E. Murphy	Sheldon M. Ruckens
Hamilton Township Philatelic	Lakeshore Stamp Club (2)	Nobuyuki Nagano	Trenton K. Ruebush
Society (2)	Charles P. Lamm	Miguel L. Naranjo Saa (2)	Schuyler J. Rumsey (2)
Robert G. Hansen	Lancaster County	Arthur C. Nelson	Dave Ruppel
Hardware City Stamp Club	Philatelic Society (3)	John L. Newland (2)	Robert L. Russell
D. Suzanne Hardy	Matthew C. Lanigan	John R. Norris	Saddleback Stamp Club
Jerry Harwin	Paul S. Latherow (2)	Lawrence H. Norris	Salem Stamp Society (4)
Michael L. Hayden	Hector A. Lattanzio	North Jersey Federated	Samuel Osgood Stamp Club (3)
Nancy J. Haynes	Yeong Nam Lau	Stamp Clubs	San Francisco-Pacific
Heart of Georgia Philatelic	James E. Lee	North Suburban Stamp Club	Philatelic Society
Society (2)	Mark M. Leon	Northwest Stamp Club (2)	Ella R. Sauer
Robert C. Heaton	John L. Leszak	Northwestern Michigan Coin	Barry I. Savedow
Johann-Maria A. A. Heimann	Vance M. Lewis (7)	& Stamp Club (6)	Miriam M. Schaefer
Harold Heintz	Stuart E. Libby	George S. Norton	Charles F. Schafstall
Lester F. Heinzel (2)	Robert E. Lippert	Nova Scotia Stamp Club (3)	Kurt H. Schau
Tina Heitmann (6)	Edward M. Liston	John J. Nunes	Charlene Schibrowsky
William A. Herzig (17)	Long Beach Stamp Club	Robert P. Odenweller	Donald C. Schilling (2)
Jim Holbrook	Lyle F. Lueck (5)	Oklahoma Philatelic Society	Steven E. Schinbeckler (9)
Terry D. Holdridge	John T. Luong	Olean Area Stamp Club	Ralph R. Schneider (2)
Hollywood Stamp Club (2)	Alex L. Lutgendorf	Rossmere V. Olson	Philip Schreiber
David F. Hoover (11)	Robert B. MacLachlan	Jeffrey M. Orbach	Guy Shaw
John M. Hotchner	Rebecca A. Magyar	Ignacio A. Ortiz-bello	Lee F. Shadroff (4)
Howard County Stamp Club	Ronald E. Maifeld	Outagamie Philatelic Society	William J. Sheffield
George Howard	Maine Philatelic Society	Owensboro Area	Richard A. Sheryer
Tom Hudgeons (2)	Marvin C. Mallon (4)	Stamp Club (2)	Ships on Stamps Unit
Brian L. Hunt	Manchester Philatelic Society	William R. Packard	Charles F. Shreve (2)
Richard B. Hunt	Manchester Stamp Club	Palouse Empire Stamp Club (2)	Martin L. Shupe (4)
Huntsville Philatelic Club	Maplewood Stamp Club	Larry Parker	Sidney Stamp Club (2)
J. Jeffrey Hutter	Ky Maria	Pascack Stamp Club (2)	Robert W. Simson
Peter Igel	Charles P. Marsack	Vernon J. Patterson	Hubert C. Skinner
Owen Graeme Ingles	Manuel Marti	Stephen G. Pattillo (3)	David L. Sloan
John Inglis	Chester M. Masters	Richard A. Pederson	Forest L. Smith
International Stamp Club	Elizabeth O. Mauck (2)	Franklin R. Petrie	Jeffrey A. Smith
International Society for	H. James Maxwell	George W. Pettigrew	Society of Israel Philatelists
Japanese Philately	David Maye	Philatelic Club of Will County	South Miami Stamp Club (5)
Eric A. Jackson (10)	James P. Mazepa	Joseph A. Picard (2)	Southern Illinois Stamp
Robert H. Jacobsen	Daniel J. McAdam	James C. Pierce	Club (4)
John I. Jamieson	Richard E. McGlenn	Plymouth Rock Stamp Club	Southwestern Stamp Club (3)
Ben H. Jansen	William P. McNally	Philip T. Porter	Philip J. Spangler
Michael Jardine	Howard Skip Medlock (3)	Merrick Posnansky	Sports Philatelists International
Barbara J. Johnson	Memphis Stamp Collectors	Rodney C. Preston	Springford Philatelic Society (2)
David Johnson	Society (2)	Quad City Stamp Club (3)	Kenneth B. Srail (2)
Michael H. Johnson	Olga A. Mendoza	Norval L. Rasmussen	St. Joseph Stamp Collectors
Andrew P. Joye (2)	Metro Louisville Stamp	Bert Raymond	Club
Rodney A. Juell	Society (2)	Jennifer Reeves	Stamp Club of Grand Junction
Dwane T. Kaplenk	James R. Mettler	Stephen Reinhard	Stamptrotters Society of
Charles A. Kasdorf	George L. Michaels	Dan E. Reiss	Kingston
Anthony R. Kassel (3)	Mid-Cities Stamp Club (3)	Peterson M. Rexford (3)	Paul J. Stanton
Tom Kassel	Irving R. Miller (3)	Ghassan D. Riachi	Paul Stempinski
James A. Kegler	Ricky E. Miller	Edson Ribeiro	Martina L. Sterbling

# Thanks to Chapters

The following eighty-two chapters recruited one or more new APS members as part of the National Stamp Collecting Month fall promotion that, in total, has netted 185 new members.

Asheville Stamp Club	1	Greater Cincinnati Philatelic Society	3	Mt. Nittany Philatelic Society	2	South Miami Stamp Club	5
Ben Franklin Stamp Club	1	Green Mountain Stamp Society	1	North Suburban Stamp Club	1	Southern Illinois Stamp Club	3
Big Lick Stamp Club	7	Hamilton Township Philatelic Society	2	North Jersey Federated Stamp Clubs	1	Southwestern Stamp Club	3
Black River Stamp Club	7	Hardware City Stamp Club	1	Northwest Stamp Club	2	Spring-Ford Philatelic Society	2
Blue and Gray Stamp Club	1	Heart of Georgia Philatelic Society	2	Northwestern Michigan Coin & Stamp Club	6	St. Joseph Stamp Collectors Club	1
Boston Philatelic Society	2	Henry Clay Philatelic Society	1	Nova Scotia Stamp Club	3	Stamp trotters Society of Kingston	2
Buffalo Stamp Club	1	Huntsville Philatelic Club	1	Olean Area Stamp Club	1	Sun City West Coin & Stamp Club	1
Bux-Mont Stamp Club	1	International Stamp Club	1	Owensboro Area Stamp Club	2	Tallahassee Stamp/Cover Club	1
Champaign-Urbana Stamp Club	1	Knoxville Philatelic Society	3	Palouse Empire Stamp Club	2	Tampa Collectors Club	1
Charlotte Philatelic Society	3	Lake Minnetonka Stamp Club	1	Pascack Stamp Club	1	Twin Cities Philatelic Society	1
Chittenden County Stamp Club	4	Lancaster County Philatelic Society	1	Philatelic Club of Will County	1	Venice Stamp Club	2
Dan River Philatelic Society	1	Manchester Stamp Club	1	Plymouth Rock Stamp Club	1	Virginia Beach Stamp Club	2
Edmonton Stamp Club	2	Maplewood Stamp Club	2	Robert C. Graebner Chapter 17 AFDCS	3	Waltham Stamp Club	2
Elmira Stamp Club	4	Medina County Stamp Club	1	Rochester Philatelic Association	1	West Suburban Stamp Club	6
Erie Stamp Club	1	Mid-Cities Stamp Club	2	Roseville Stamp Club	2	Westfield Stamp Club	2
Euclid Stamp Club	2	MIPS/ATA	1	Saddleback Stamp Club	1	Westmoreland County Philatelic Society	4
Fort Findlay Stamp Club	1	Missile Stamp Club	1	Salem Stamp Society	4	Wilkinsburg Stamp Club	1
Gastineau Philatelic Society	1	Morrisville Stamp Club	1	Samuel Osgood Stamp Club	3	Worthington Stamp Club	1
General Francis Marion Stamp Club	2	Mr. Beasley Stamp Club of Chevy Chase	1	San Francisco Pacific Philatelic Society	1		
Granite City Stamp Club	1			Sidney Stamp Club	2		
Greater Augusta Stamp Club	2						
Greater Richmond Stamp Club	8						
Greater Toronto Area Philatelic Alliance	14						

Samuel J. Stratton  
Sun City West Coin & Stamp Club  
Donald J. Sundman (286)  
Tallahassee Stamp/cover Club  
Tampa Collectors Club  
Jackson W. Taylor  
May Day Taylor (7)  
Texas Philatelic Association (2)  
Marios Theodossiou (11)  
Glenn F. Thiesfeld  
Everett K. Thompson  
Harry W. Tong  
Harold W. Towlson  
William L. Tribou  
Anthony P. Tripi  
Steve P. Turchik

Twin City Philatelic Society  
Universal Ship Cancellation Society (7)  
Edmund H. Vallery  
Art C. Van Bergeyk  
John E. Van Emden  
Venice Stamp Club (3)  
Virginia Beach Stamp Club (2)  
Virtual Stamp Club  
Kal Wagenheim  
Robert J. Wagner (3)  
Marv Waldron  
William D. Walter  
Edwin S. Walters  
Waltham Stamp Club (2)  
Gregory S. Ward  
Warren Area Stamp Club

Stephen S. Washburne  
James E. Watson  
Waukesha County Philatelic Society  
Ronald G. Wayne  
Harry Weed  
Edward H. Weisman  
David S. Wesley  
West Suburban Stamp Club (6)  
Westfield Stamp Club (2)  
Westmoreland County Philatelic Society (4)  
William A. White  
Wichita Stamp Club  
Raymond W. Wieczorek  
Wilkinsburg Stamp Club  
Harold V. Williams (7)

Jack A. Windeler  
William A. Witschard  
Jack D. Witsil  
Richard L. Wolfe (8)  
Hugh W. Wood (8)  
Worthington Stamp Club  
Roger J. Wozniak  
Harold A. Wright  
Ronald J. Yeager (2)  
Lester M. Yerkes (3)  
Paul R. Young  
Jan Zawadzki  
Steven M. Zettle  
John M. Zupancic (2)  
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Total 2,516

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# Report from Riverside



**Y**our American Philatelic Society's Board of Directors met on Thursday, February 8, in Riverside, California, for eight-and-a-half hours to conduct the business of the Society. We received reports from our Society attorney Virginia Eisenstein. We also heard reports from Executive Director Peter Mastrangelo and Treasurer Nick Carter.

APS Director-at-Large Wade Saadi, chairman of the APS Membership Committee, updated the Board on the progress of Board members in contacting our 500+ Chapters by phone. These local stamp clubs represent grassroots philately and are vital to our hobby. We, the Board of Directors, want to strengthen our relationship with our Chapters by improving the communication we have with them and by offering them better services. If you go to the APS website, you will find a number of publication pieces that a local stamp club can use to generate press releases, create posters, and other promotional materials to help local stamp clubs recruit new members. You will find this and a lot more support for clubs on the APS website at [www.stamps.org](http://www.stamps.org).

APS Director-at-Large David Straight has been working with the National Postal Museum on a new joint venture that brings together scholars and philatelists for a symposium of postal history. The first symposium was held at the National Postal Museum this past November. Twenty-two papers were presented in seven different panels. Those who attended were very pleased and found the symposium to be interesting and informative. The next Postal History Symposium will be held at the American Philatelic Center in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, October 21–22, just after the American Air Mail Society's Aerophilately 2007 show, to be held at the American Philatelic Center, October 19–21.

If all goes according to plan, we also will be dedicating the Gordon and Mary Morison Pavilion housing the Headsville Post Office that weekend. Save those dates. You will not want to miss this! The theme for the Postal History Symposium is "Further, Farther, Faster: Transporting the Mail."

APS Director-at-Large Peter Martin, chairman of the new Publications Committee updated the Board on books that are under consideration by the committee for possible publication by the APS.

When we hired Executive Director Peter Mastrangelo, your Board asked him to bring the APS into compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley reforms. These reforms were introduced as compulsory business practices that apply to for-profit corporations after the Enron collapse. Although not yet required by the federal government for not-for-profit organizations like the APS, your Board sees great value in these "good business" practices. At our Board meeting, the Board ap-

proved a so-called "whistle blower" policy that protects employees and volunteers. We also tabled a new document retention plan for further review by our attorney.

The Board heard a report on the APS Insurance Plan given by Simon Codrington of Hugh Wood Insurance. The report addresses problems that some members have experienced because of malfunctioning telephone voice mail, and some new products that are under development.

Your Board approved using money set aside for an award in memory of Ingeborg Herst to encourage women exhibitors that had not been used in several years. This fund will still be named in memory of Ingeborg Herst, but it will now provide small grants in support of youth or entry-level collector programs.

Your board approved a request by Pipex, the World Series of Philately show held in various cities throughout the U.S. Pacific Northwest and Canada. The request was to "skip" holding a show this year, because APS Stamp Show will be held within their area, in Portland, Oregon, August 9–12.

Immediate Past President Peter McCann and I proposed that the APS Board of Directors endorse our proposal to the FIP (International Federation of Philately) to create a Commission for Entry Level Collectors. This Commission would be responsible for the central coordination and development of programs that would assist new collectors in discovering the joys and intellectual stimulation of stamp collecting. The Board approved this proposal and has sent a letter to FIP President Joseph Wolff asking that the FIP consider adopting it.

The APS Board approved a proposal originally put forward by Nick Carter that was then fleshed out by our staff. The proposal creates APS Volunteer Recognition Awards for those unsung heroes who serve the hobby at the local and regional level, as well as awards for outstanding young adult philatelists and youth philatelists ages 15–24 who have served philately. The goal is to motivate potential hobby leaders and reinvigorate their interest. Those who serve the hobby should be acknowledged for their contributions, and we believe these awards will recognize their dedication. The call for nominations will come shortly.

The APS Board of Directors considered a new openness policy that would add open records to our present open meetings policy. This proposal was put forward by Ken Lawrence. It was reviewed by our attorney Virginia Eisenstein,

and our staff created an amended proposal that took into consideration her recommendations. After lengthy discussion, we determined that the proposals, although different, were not that far apart. On Saturday, February 10, Peter Mastrangelo, Ken Grant, Ken Lawrence, Virginia Eisenstein, and I met to find common ground that will address the Society's desire for transparency and accountability, while protecting our members' privacy and meeting the legal requirements for nonprofit corporations.

This meeting was successful, and as I write this, our attorney is drafting an Open Records Policy that meets all of these needs. The APS Board will consider the new policy at its earliest convenience and I will report our progress to you. There is complete agreement among the Board of Directors that the Society should have both Open Meetings (which is all that our Openness Policy has addressed until now) and Open Records. The debate has been about the best way to achieve this.

## **U.S. Plate Numbers, Philatelic Centers**

On January 30, Wade Saadi (president of the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society), Roger Brody (president of the U.S. Stamp Society), and I discussed a recent decision to eliminate new plate numbers on coils, booklets, and sheets made by the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) with David Failor, Executive Director of Stamp Services for the USPS.

Mr. Failor explained to us that the USPS no longer requires these numbers for accounting purposes and because the sleeves are computer-generated as needed and are identical, the numbers are really meaningless.

Nevertheless, stamp collectors love collecting these plate numbers and we asked Mr. Failor if he would reconsider the decision. Mr. Failor told us he would meet with printers and discuss what could be done. I believe the USPS is trying to be



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responsive to collectors' wishes in this matter.

A more difficult problem was brought to our attention some time ago by Breck Pegram, President of the Kentucky Stamp Club, who is concerned that more and more USPS philatelic centers are closing. I find myself buying more stamps directly from the Philatelic Fulfillment Center in Kansas City or at stamp shows than I buy from my local post office, which was never a philatelic center. Many smaller post offices only receive a few sheets of new stamps, if they receive the new stamps at all. These invariably sell quickly.

This is probably the way the USPS prefers to serve stamp collectors, because of cost considerations. Nevertheless, I will continue writing a letter every few months to Postmaster General John E. Potter asking for reinstatement of philatelic centers. I hope you will do so as well.

## **APS Affiliates**

Last month I told you about some of the innovative programs our local APS Chapters are actively pursuing. This month I would like to draw your attention to the 197 APS Affiliates who routinely share knowledge and research, provide outlets for trading and sale of surplus material, and offer other services to those who join.

Our APS Affiliates cover a broad range of interests, from single country specialists to those who collect state postal history, topicals, air mail, revenues, and other philatelic specialties. A complete list of APS Affiliates is available on our website at: [www.stamps.org](http://www.stamps.org).

Reading the newsletters and journals of these affiliates is almost akin to a graduate course in philately. If that weren't enough, there is great fellowship to be had from joining one or more of the APS Affiliates. Join one — or more — today! You won't be sorry.

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# APS AmeriStamp Expo Award Winners

APS AmeriStamp Expo 2007, held in Riverside, California, February 9–11, featured an active bourse, exceptional exhibits, and enthusiastic attendees. As always, the judges were put through their paces to determine the competition winners. The Single Frame Champion of Champions was awarded to Reuben A. Ramkissoon for his exhibit "The Trinidad World War I Red Cross Label that Became a Postage Stamp." A complete list of philatelic awards winners follows:

## Single Frame Champion of Champions

*The Trinidad World War I Red Cross Label that Became a Postage Stamp*  
Reuben A. Ramkissoon

## Single Frame Prix d'Honneur

Dark Caves — Bright Visions  
Francis Adams  
Lincoln Portrait Stamps: 1869 Issues  
William J. Ainsworth  
3-Cent Liberty Postal Card of 1958  
John W. Allen  
Ohio City — Thomas F. Allen  
Victoria Barred Oval Cancels  
George W. Bowman  
Canada: The Twelve Pence of 1851  
Ron R. Brigham  
Straightline Cancels on Confederate General Issue Stamps  
Conrad L. Bush  
The 1953 Commemorative Postage Due Stamps of Hungary  
Lyman R. Caswell  
General Banks Division — Civil War Union Army Field Cancellations 1861–1862  
James Cate  
Local Type-Set Provisional Stamp of Macau 1911 — Cheong-Too Choi

Cross-Border Mail via the Cunard Line: Mail Between the United States and Nova Scotia, 1840–1867 — David D'Alessandris

Three Cent Liberty Postal Cards  
David Eeles

1919 Hungarian Council Republic Issue  
Fred Fawn

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing Gum Breaker Experiments, 1919–1940  
Louis O. Fiset

The Third Federal Issue — Henry H. Fisher  
Usages of the One Cent Parcel Post Stamp  
Joseph F. Frasch Jr.

Pre-Philatelic Postmarks of Buenos Aires 1771–1858 — Carlos A. Garcia-Moral

Canal Zone 1918 Registration Envelopes  
Irwin J. Gibbs

Canal Zone Coat of Arms Issue 1923  
Irwin J. Gibbs

Madagascar — Early Postal History  
Edward J.J. Grabowski

The Production of the U.S. Air Mail Issue of 1928 — The Beacon

Gregg A. Hopkins Sr.

Canadian Military Hospitals at Sea  
Jonathan L. Johnson

SCADTA Postal Stationery  
Jerome V. V. Kasper

Lindbergh Air Mail First Days 1927–1928 — Allen Klein

Confederate and Union Telegraph Covers of the Civil War 1861–1865  
George J. Kramer

Austria-Hungary's Danube River Flotilla In World War I — Alfred F. Kugel

Australian Contingents in the Anglo-Boer War — Alfred F. Kugel

Scandinavian Volunteers in Finland During the Winter War — Alfred F. Kugel

Go: Its Culture & History Throughout the Ages — Lester C. Lanphear III

National One Cent Letter Postage Association (NOCLPA) — Joann Lenz

E-COM and Its Forerunners — Joann Lenz

Denmark to the Old German States:

The Rayon System — Mark Lorentzen

Price Circulars from Great Britain to Denmark, 1850–UPU — Mark Lorentzen

1¢ Rosbach 12½ Perf of 1917

Robert L. Markovits

90¢ United States Postal Stationery

Robert L. Markovits

Merry Widow Special Delivery Stamp of 1908–09 — Robert L. Markovits

The USS Maine (55BN – 741)

Jim McDevitt

The Persian Registration Label Used as Postage (1897–1912) — Behruz Nassre

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Among the lots that I was able to purchase at the Sir Gawaine Baillie auction were proof sheets of the Newfoundland First Cents Issue of 1865 - 1870 (Scott #24/31). All six values were present in the auction, but they were lotted individually rather than as a set. Luck was with me however, and after some nervous moments I had purchased all six proof sheets.

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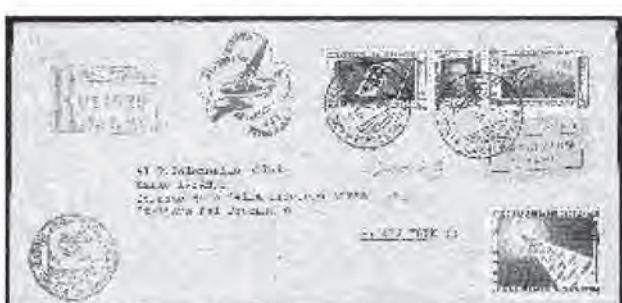
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### CLASSIC SWISS STAMPS

Classic Swiss stamps on sale at Rapp have always been particularly prominent and of a high standard. One example of this was the Alma-Lee Collection auctioned on behalf of the Royal Philatelic Society a few years ago. This time, Rapp offers a truly unparalleled range of dozens of copies of each of the Cantonal rarities, including varieties and stamps on cover. The Zurich 4-Rp and 6-Rp catch the eye with many single items and covers as do more than a dozen beautiful examples of the sought-after «Double Geneva», including the rare mis-cut variety, which is also available attached to cover. Just as impressive is the wide range of «Basle Dove» stamps on a number of covers, as well as a double franking on piece bearing a red «FRANCO» rectangular cancellation. «Poste Locale» in mixed franking with «Rayon I», the Vaud 5-centime stamp with double printing on the only cover known to bear this stamp, and numerous errors, varieties, exceedingly rare and sometimes unique first-day covers and attractive mixed franking round off this lot.

### EUROPE AND OVERSEAS

The other European countries and overseas philatelic areas also contribute substantially to a most precious and very important offer. We only mention the British «VR» official stamp in very good unused condition, sought-after British Commonwealth items, Finland's classical tetes-beches and a colour variety, rare Czech overprints dating back to about 1920, no fewer than three examples of Austria's legendary vermilion-coloured «Mercury» stamp, all Austrian «parliamentary building» items with inverted centre pieces, bisected stamps on covers, fascinating multi-coloured franking and destinations, as well as a wide range of other classic and modern rare items.

### AIR MAIL AND ZEPPELIN MAIL

Previous Rapp Auctions have attached particular importance to airmail and Zeppelin mail, mainly offered at auction as complete collections. On the occasion of their jubilee auction, they are able once again to present two really outstanding, stunning collections, in addition to other airmail and Zeppelin mail collections. The first collection – «Germany – The development of air travel 1870-1919» – comprises approximately 220 covers, of which virtually every individual item should count as gem in the history of airmail. This collection was awarded gold medals numerous times at international exhibitions. In addition, the «Belcic History of Flight Collection» is presented, which was put together over a period spanning several decades by Austrian flight captain, Ferdinand Belcic and was hitherto known by only a relatively small group of experts through occasional items on loan to museums. This enormous museum-like collection, which is offered as approximately 50 themed items, comprises several tens of thousands of individual pieces, including a few thousand original photographs and postcards, blueprints of early planes and machine and airfield documentation, posters, correspondence and newspaper reports, medals and

The auction house, Peter Rapp AG in Wil, Switzerland has occupied a leading position in the international philatelic market for well over 35 years. Once again, the auction to mark the 35-year jubilee of the Peter Rapp AG which will be held from the 7th-11th May 2007 in Wil, Switzerland, will attract great interest across the field of philately. In particular, with regard to the extraordinary number of rare stamps from all philatelic areas which are offered, either as single stamps or as part of a collection, and with regard to the uncompromising quality of the stamps on offer, this auction of items worth many million Swiss francs is guaranteed once again to set the standard. In line with the Rapp tradition, numerous valuable collections, including many valued at five and six-figure sums, will be offered as entire collections and no individual stamps will be removed. Genuine, original collections of this kind which contain all the rare, value-determining stamps attract attention and interest from collectors and dealers alike.

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### GERMANY

As always, German philately and postal history will also enjoy excellent representation at the Rapp jubilee auction. In addition to numerous other fascinating individual stamps, collections and sets, a valuable collection of German stationery covering virtually all areas ranging from the classic to the modern, deserves particular mention. The German Second World War Occupation editions are full of rare pieces such as a cancelled Heydrich souvenir sheet (one of only three known pieces) and a wealth of other rare items. A notable selection of German, British, American and Soviet propaganda forgeries from the First and Second World Wars containing a number of very rare items is also represented in the offering. Up for auction are the brownish purple souvenir sheet showing Hitler's head replaced by a skull and the rare forgery Michel No. 22 in a mint block of four, the «Frank» stamp, secretly produced in the UK, on a Polish resistance cover, a number of copies of the «Witzleben» forgery, Michel Nos. 30/31 as individual stamps and in no less than three stamp booklets, to name but a few examples. There also is a very extensive offering of German post-war locals containing many rare pieces as well as a stunning specialized collection.

Special mention should in turn be made of the so-called «Isar» collection. Approximately 20 partial collections are being auctioned. The collection which has a catalogue value of well in excess of one million euros, comprises stamps from the following areas: the German Reich, the Saar region, all of the post-war zones as well as the Federal Republic and Berlin up until 1960. It is particularly impressive due to its huge number of corner margin items in both mint and used conditions. Above all, in addition to the German Reich collection, the issues of the areas occupied by Allied forces and the Bi-zone and also the Saar area must be considered as utterly extraordinary, since they display an immense number of errors and varieties, identification numbers and printers' marks, plate numbers and the rarest of colours. Virtually everything in this collection, including lower-value stamps, has been verified by experts and/or comes complete with certificates and expert opinions.

### TRADITIONAL SPECIAL AUCTION FOR WORLD-WIDE COLLECTIONS

As with previous Rapp auctions, the jubilee event again will culminate in the traditional highlight session, during which hundreds of collections and accumulations will be offered for auction having a total value of many million Swiss francs. In line with a longstanding tradition of the Rapp auction house, almost all collections will be presented in their original form, with no individual stamps being removed for sale. Consequently, collectors and dealers should be assured that they will find completely untouched collections which are often of the utmost outstanding quality.

# Fine Tuning Sales Books

There are a few categories on the "Need" list that, at first glance into our files, would not seem to be in short supply. The volume of material is misleading because: (a) many of the books belong to one or two sellers and the books all contain the same type of material with little variation in pricing; or (b) the books contain mostly stamps and covers of the same time period with little variety among the books from all of the sellers. Here are a few examples:

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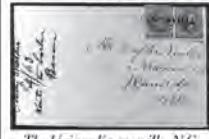
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**U.S. Mint.** This category is presently overloaded with post-1940 material. Our in-house inventory has enough books to fill twenty U.S. Mint circuits, but it might be difficult to provide a wide variety of eras to those circuits. One of our best sellers of U.S. Mint generally mounts pre-1940 material and occasionally includes later issues to fill in the balance of a book. When mounting sales books of U.S. Mint, just keep in mind that our greater need in this area is from the pre-1940 period.

**Japan.** Older Japanese material has been in very short supply for several years. Most of the books we have contain post-1960 items, and buyers are asking for early material. If you have older Japan and want to sell, it should do well on the circuits. As always, condition will dictate how well it sells.

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**When did you start collecting stamps?** When I was eight. **What fuels your passion for stamps?** They are real pretty, and like Mount Everest, they are out there. **Which countries do you specialize in?** U.S. stamps from 1847 to 1940. **The most beautiful stamp you've seen?** 1869 Pictorial Issue, also the Scott #292 Cow in a Snow Storm. **What's the ugliest?** 1941 German stamps with Adolph Hitler. **What else do you collect besides stamps?** I also collect old U.S. currency from 1862 to 1923.

**Do any of your relatives have an interest in philately?** My oldest son, who will end up with my collection, if he's still interested. **How many hours a day do you spend on your hobby?** About 3 hours a day, now that I am older and retired. **Where were you born and raised?** San Francisco. **Your early career?** I was a bartender, liquor salesman, tavern owner, and liquor store owner. **How did you get interested in philately?** My mother bought me a stamp album when I was 8 years old. I stopped collecting when I went to high school and discovered girls, then started collecting again in my mid-30s. **Who were your mentors or role models?** I really am a self-taught collector. After you do it for a while, you learn as Ray Charles said, "It ain't no game for the blind."

**What are your personal favorite areas of philately?** U.S. stamps of the 19th century, and those between 1901 and 1940. **If you had one philatelic wish, what would it be?** To own a Scott #476a, or a Scott #485 error. **Which country issues the most attractive stamp designs?** Monaco or the Vatican. **How many shows a year do you attend?** Maybe three or four. **What do you most wish for the hobby and its future?** As long as there are little boys with a curious mind, there will always be stamp collectors. **What has stamp collecting meant in your life?** A way to comfort myself, and it keeps your mind active and young.

**Where do you live?** Belmont, California just south of San Francisco. **What is your favorite stamp issued the year you were born?** White Plains. **Which countries' stamps do you specialize in?** United States. **What's the most expensive stamp you've bought?** Scott #294a, and a Scott #47 reprint. **Which are your favorite stamps?** The Zeps #C13-15.

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cpossu.org. Contact: Dr. John B. Sharkey, 1559 Grouse Lane, Mountainside, NJ 07092-1340.

## American Topical Association (Affiliate 177)

The ATA is a non-profit organization devoted to the promotion of topical collecting, as well as research in the field, and to the exchange of ideas among its members. Annual U.S. dues are \$20, others \$30. Membership benefits include the award-winning bi-monthly publication *Topical Time*, translation services, membership directory, checklists, handbooks, and annual convention. Website: [www.americantopicalassn.org](http://www.americantopicalassn.org). Contact: ATA Central Office, P.O. Box 57, Arlington, TX 76004-0057; e-mail: american-topical@msn.com.

The Confederate Stamp Alliance website features the organization's name in large blue letters at the top, followed by a circular seal. Below the title are several postage stamps and a photograph of the Jefferson's capitol building in Richmond, once the capital of the Confederate States of America. A sidebar on the left shows a landscape image of the building. The main content area includes a section for "MEMPHIS IN MAY 2007".

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[www.csalliance.org](http://www.csalliance.org)

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American Topical Association —  
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The Chemistry and Physics on Stamps Study Unit website (CPOSSU) has a green header with the organization's name and a circular seal. It includes sections for "About CPOSSU", "OFFICERS", "THE JOURNAL", "HOW TO JOIN", "The Latest Journal", and "Papers from the Journal". The journal section shows thumbnail images of recent issues. A sidebar on the right provides information about the Winter 2006 issue and the Fall 2005 issue.

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**Christopher Columbus Philatelic Society**  
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## **Biology Unit (Affiliate 172)**

The Biology Unit was formed as an international cooperative study group interested in postage stamps and related material dealing with biological matters. Annual dues are \$20. Member benefits include the quarterly journal *Biophilately*, library, and annual convention. *Contact:* Carl H. Spitzer Jr., 610 North Bedford Drive, Tucson, AZ 85710-2620; *e-mail:* [A.Hanks@aci.on.ca](mailto:A.Hanks@aci.on.ca).

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# show time

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**Illinois** **March 31-April 1**  
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**Oregon** **March 31-April 1**  
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**Florida** **April 10-18**  
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**Canada** **April 13-15**  
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**Texas** **April 13-15**  
TEXPEX, Southwest Phil. Foundation, Doubletree Hotel Dallas Near the Galleria, 4099 Valley View Lane (LBJ Freeway at Midway Rd.), Dallas. Contact Tom Koch, [tkoch@utdallas.edu](mailto:tkoch@utdallas.edu); <http://home.comcast.net/~kochacabana/texpex/index.html>; 972-883-4951; 972-883-2473. \*WSP\*

**Alabama** **April 14**  
Montgomery Area Stamp and Coin Show, Montgomery Area Stamp Club, Holiday Inn, CobbsFord Rd. and I-65, Prattville. Contact Betty Murray, [eamurray1@bellsouth.net](mailto:eamurray1@bellsouth.net); 334-279-8018. \*B\*

**Indiana** **April 14-15**  
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**Ohio** **April 14-15**  
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**Pennsylvania** **April 14-15**  
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**Wisconsin****April 21**

DANEPEX, Badger Stamp Club, Madison Turners Hall, 3001 So. Stoughton Rd., Madison. Contact John Pare, pare16@mhtc.net; 608-437-5124.

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CERAPEX, Cedar Rapids Stamp Club, Machinists Union Hall, 222 Prospect Place, SW, Cedar Rapids. Contact Dennis Lynch, lynch.dennis@mcleodusa.net; 319-365-5857.

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- Abdul-Mughni, Khaled (211239) **Souk Al-Dakhly, Kuwait**; 46
- Adams, Clarence L. (211176) **Winston, OR** US-SPACE-W HEMISPHERE; 53
- Akomer, Mehmet Fuad (211167) **Caddebostan-İstanbul, Turkey** TURKEY, STAT, POSTAL HISTORY; 45; Lawyer
- Alanis, Rafael (211358) **El Monte, CA** US; 40
- Aldana, Wilfredo D. (211375) **Antioch, CA** US, FDC; 39; Systems Administrator
- Antoun, Michael (211198) **West Bloomfield, MI** 46
- Arceneaux, James B. (211112) **Winter Haven, FL** 48
- Ardell, Eric B. (211106) **Danville, CA** MINT US, FDC; 64; Operations Manager
- Ashton, Steven C. (211347) **Ocean City, MD** 19TH C US & WORLDWIDE; 39; Cook
- Atkinson, Jim (211348) **Murrieta, CA** WORLDWIDE; 78; Retired
- Auerbach, Read (211269) **Norwalk, CT** FDC-NEW ISSUES; 58; Fire Captain
- Babbitt, Rex L. (211240) **Hooper, UT** US-AIR MAIL; 78
- Badin, Mark W. (211219) **Owings Mills, MD** US-UN; 42; Executive Chef
- Baig, Muhammad Zubair (211068) **Faisalabad, Punjab, Pakistan** THEMATIC-PAKISTAN; 55; Service
- Bailey, Cecily (211258) **Round Lake, NY** ECLECTIC; 53; Customer Service
- Bajada, Joseph (211288) **New York, NY** US-MALTA-EUR; 50; Resident Manager
- Banks, David L. (211270) **Grand Isle, VT** RECENT USED US-FISH-VT POSTAL HISTORY;
- Barrett, Tina (211220) **New York, NY** 48
- Barricklow, Robert (211376) **Saint Clairsville, OH** 80; Retired
- Barton, Kevin C. (211058) **Idaho Falls, ID** ICELAND; Engineer
- Bassett, Robert E. (211052) **Bellefonte, PA** 68; Retired
- Baxter, Lynn A. (211053) **Globe, AZ** US; 56; Retired
- Beberman, Joseph (211377) **Brockton, MA** PRE-INDEPENDENCE BRIT EMPIRE-CZECH; 70; Retired
- Bell, Kuno S. (211374) **Avon, OH** AUSTRIA; 40; CPA
- Bentley, Heide (211091) **Glen Ellyn, IL** Retired
- Berdege, Lavinia (211177) **Prescott, AZ** US-AUSTRIA-FRANCE-SWISS; 70; Retired
- Beretsky, Mike E. (211044) **Ashburn, VA** GB-WORLDWIDE; 43; Engineer
- Bergeron, Joan M. (211166) **Phoenix, AZ** US; 59; Administration Supply Supervisor
- Bessey, John (211349) **Thousand Oaks, CA** CLASSIC US; 62; Insurance Broker
- Bischmann, Ken (211289) **Waukesha, WI** 69; Pastoral Assistant
- Black, Amos H. (211125) **Douglasville, GA** US; 63; Retired
- Blazek, Miroslav F. (11467-211290) **Brea, CA** MINT US, VAT, UN, LAOS, FRANCE; 68; Retired
- Blomstedt, Erik R. (211116) **Joliet, IL** SWEDEN-US-WORLDWIDE; 59; Library Director
- Boller, Hank W. (211232) **Corona, CA** NETH, COL-US; 79; Purchasing
- Bonkowski, Richard L. (211128) **Santa Rosa, CA** US INTAGLIO; Retired
- Bosinger, James W. (211062) **Sylvania, OH** US-RELIGION; 60; Teacher
- Boston, Francis M. (211152) **Montreal, QC** EUR-GB, COL-US; 73; Physician
- Boyarsky, Jeffrey M. (211382) **Princeton Junction, NJ** PRE 1940 MINT US, HISTORIC COVERS; 59; Financial Consultant
- Brandsdorfer, Marsha (211271) **Mountain View, CA** MAPS; 47; Legal Assistant
- Brautbar, Nachman (211141) **Los Angeles, CA** 63; Physician
- Brooks, Kimberly A. (211092) **Frederick, MD** BEES; 50; Therapist
- Broth, Ronald C. (211073) **Brooklyn, NY** US-UN-ISRAEL TABS; 57; Librarian
- Bruna, Frank (211372) **Miami, FL** US-BELGIUM-SPAIN-FRANCE; 53; Travel Agent
- Buffington, John (211268) **Rocklin, CA** 61
- Burk, Delmer C. (211338) **El Cajon, CA** US; 78; Retired
- Burkhardt, Nelson J. (211107) **Dryden, NY** US; 70; Retired
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- Camann, Carl G. (211227) **Atlanta, GA** PALESTINE/ISRAEL; 60; Educator
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- Caplice, Sean (211126) **San Francisco, CA** 37
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- Clayworth, Peter J. (211200) **Louisville, KY** CLASSIC MINT US; 55; Sales
- Cobb, Denise (211260) **Boynton Beach, FL** 55; Retired
- Colevas, Stephen J. (211130) **Oakton, VA** US REV-PRIVATE DIE; 62; Retired
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- Cronin, Joseph F. (211103) **Webster Groves, MO** 55
- Crump, Johnny W. (211291) **Santa Fe, TX** MINT US, FDC; 44; Building & Transportation Manager
- Cunningham, Betsy G. (211229) **Baltimore, MD** WOMEN; Attorney
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- deSalme, Suzanne E. (211179) **Glenmont, OH** US HISTORY, NEW ISSUES, TOPICALS; 44; Mom/Educator
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- Donat, Thomas R. (211264) **Hoffman Estates, IL** 68
- Dorf, Philip (211180) **Brooklyn, NY** WORLDWIDE; 84; Retired
- Dourson, Leonard F. (211383) **Cincinnati, OH** 77; Retired
- Dudley, Andrew N. (J-211273) **Pointe-Claire, QC** CANADA-GB; 14
- Dugay, Ann M. (211074) **Virginia Beach, VA** US SINGLES; 43; MR/MH Assistant
- Duston, Christopher J. (211274) **Trophy Club, TX**
- Dykstra, David A. (211161) **Grand Rapids, MI** WORLDWIDE; 55; Retired
- Ebert, Delores (211344) **Cottage Grove, WI** US-UN; Retired
- Eby, Lee E. (211202) **Paso Robles, CA** MINT US, COMMEM, DEFINITIVES, AIR MAIL; 71
- Edick, Leonard R. (211045) **Chelsea, MI** US-WORLDWIDE; 67; Sales
- Edmiston, Larry D. (211318) **Churchton, MD** FDC; 50; Picture Framer
- Eghbalieh, Sammy D. D. (211334) **Los Angeles, CA** US; 29
- Eichler, Kathleen M. (211246) **Pigeon, MI** Homemaker
- Erdmanis, Eric (211381) **Havertown, PA** US-LATVIA; 47; Accountant
- Fallon, James C. (211075) **Brockport, NY** US; 60; Superintendent of Schools
- Fasani, Albert (211197) **Cypress, CA** RAILROADS; Retired
- Felts, D. Robert (211387) **Decatur, IL** US, BOB; 66; CPA

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 Fisher, Kirk W. (211076) **Midland, MI** US-VAT-RUSSIA-USSR; Investment Officer  
 Folsom, Bruce (211324) **San Francisco, CA** US-CZECH-AUST-PARAGUAY; Social Worker  
 Foote, Robert S. (211337) **Arundel, ME** 76; Retired  
 Forster, Dale E. (211131) **Portland, OR** WESTERN COVERS-AUST COL; 64; Stamp Dealer  
 Forsythe, Gerald R. (11468-211292) **Wheeling, IL** US, SHEETS, PLATE BLKS, SINGLES; 68; Executive  
 Fowers, David C. (211143) **Las Vegas, NV** REV; 62; Retired  
 Freedman, Alan R. (211117) **Bala Cynwyd, PA** REGULAR ISSUES-COMMEM; 71; Medical Doctor  
 Friedman, Judy G. (211144) **Pittsburgh, PA** 65; Retired  
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 Fuller, Duke K. (211064) **Garden Grove, CA** US DEFINITIVES; 40; Student  
 Funke, Harold F. (211333) **Pewee Valley, KY** 1921-1971 US; 85; Retired  
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 Garcia, Maria E. (211353) **La Place, LA** 73  
 Gardiner, Greg (211293) **Walnut Creek, CA** US; 56; Contractor  
 Gardner, John M. (211322) **Davis, CA** 68  
 Garza, Ginger A. (211077) **Sugar Land, TX** US-GER; 46; Software Developer  
 Gass, Frederick O. (211262) **South Attleboro, MA** US; 94; Retired  
 Gates, Michael (211160) **Mobile, AL** 54  
 Gifford, Barbara (211294) **New Port Richey, FL** GREENLAND-BAT-FAROE IS-NORFOLK IS-AAT-XMAS IS-KEELING IS; 46; Medical Dispatcher  
 Gipson, Walter M. (211078) **Gilbert, AZ** MINT US-DUCK; 68; Retired  
 Gladwell, Paul F. (211320) **Summit, NY** US, COVERS-VAT; Retired  
 Glaus, Henry A. (211079) **Tuscaloosa, AL** US; Manager  
 Golub, Carole Z. (211354) **Bala Cynwyd, PA**  
 Gordon, Eric C. (211132) **Waxhaw, NC** MINT SHEETS; 44  
 Gore, Edward R. (211295) **Trenton, NJ** US; Retired  
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Applications 210329, 210634 through 210676, and 210678 through 210681, and 210683 through 210813 as previously published have been accepted for membership by the Board of Vice Presidents.

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Total Membership, Jan. 31, 2007	44,505
New Members .....	178
Reinstated .....	30
.....	44,713
Expelled .....	1
Deceased .....	63
Resignations.....	142
Total Membership, Feb. 28, 2007	44,507

Helman, David A. (211235) **Colton, CA** CANADA-BRIT COL-ISRAEL; 60; Sporting Goods Store Owner  
 Henkels, Joseph E. (211096) **Mesa, AZ** US-GB-ZAMBIA; 75; Retired  
 Henrich, Stacy L. (211370) **Tucson, AZ** 32; Marketing Director  
 Hightower, Jerry F. (211218) **Winder, GA** US, BOB; 67; Retired  
 Hindsill, John G. (211234) **La Crescenta, CA** 1950s & 1960s WORLDWIDE-ART ARCHITECTURE-ANCIENT NEAR EAST; 67; Sales Representative  
 Hoffman, Joe (211296) **Toronto, OH** US; 78; Retired  
 Holwerda, Karla F. (211122) **Ada, MI** PNC-US-USED US; 43; Director  
 Honke, Paul M. (211080) **Damascus, MD** US COMMEM, DEFINITIVES; 60; Retired  
 Houghton, Susan M. (211081) **Overland Park, KS** PRE 1940 WORLDWIDE-US-FRANCE; 55; Archaeologist  
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 Howard, Bonnie L. (211388) **Decatur, IL** UN-BELGIUM-DOMINICA-ARUBA; 67; Retired  
 Hubbard, Charles A. (211110) **Kittery, ME** US, COMMEN; 81  
 Humphrey, Michael (211203) **New Hartford, NY** US; 72; Retired  
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 Hymes, Sandy R. (211277) **Dayton, NV** US-FDC-YEAR OF THE ...; 62; Shipping Clerk  
 Iancovici, Thomas M. (Y-211047) **Scottsdale, AZ** US; 15; Student  
 Isham, Dell (211298) **Columbia, SC** US-WORLDWIDE; 62; Executive Director  
 Jackson, Edwin W. (211330) **Philadelphia, PA** US; 72; Retired  
 Jackson, Tami J. (211299) **Leesport, PA** US REV; 45  
 Jacobson, Michael (211082) **Las Vegas, NV** AIRPLANES-MINT US  
 Jensen, Rod (211371) **Austin, TX** USED N AM & N EUR; 53; Business Development Manager  
 Johnson, Gerald J. (211097) **Redford, MI** GER-US-CANADA-RUSSIA-POLAND-WORLDWIDE; 61; Stamp Dealer  
 Johnson, Steven K. (211061) **Gillette, WY** 47  
 Jones, Sanford T. (211231) **Pomona, CA** 36; Real Estate Appraiser  
 Jordan, Matthew (211204) **Jefferson Valley, NY** 42; Electrician  
 Kadas, Thomas S. (211072) **Allentown, PA** US-SLOVAKIA; 69; Retired  
 Kagarise, Joyce A. (211278) **Tucson, AZ** US-HORSES; 69; Retired  
 Kehr, Daniel R. (211384) **Somerset, NJ** HISTORY; 79; Retired  
 Keshishian, Harold M. (211379) **Washington, DC** OTTOMAN COVERS, HISTORY; 78; Retired  
 Ketchum, Paul D. (211373) **Owings Mills, MD** US-COSTA RICA; 71; Retired  
 Killian, Kenneth E. (211101) **Perryville, MO** US; 70; Retired  
 Kivelas, Glen D. (211249) **Negaunee, MI** US-SCAND-MICHIGAN POSTAL HISTORY; 57; Retired  
 Klaus, Herbert (211356) **Spring Valley, NY** US, COMMEM, DEFINITIVES; 73; Retired  
 Knudson, Robert C. (211205) **Johnstown, PA** 69; Retired  
 Kochtubajda, Bob (211336) **Devon, AB** METEOROLOGY-UKRAINE; 52; Meteorologist  
 Kohler, Ryan J. (Y-211241) **State College, PA** DINOSAURS; 11; Student  
 Kolker, Robert S. (211083) **Westfield, NJ** S AFRICA-US; 75; Retired  
 Krause, Richard A. (211196) **Stilwell, KS** US; Management  
 Kruth, Marla L. (211037) **Gibsonia, PA** MINT US; 46  
 Kupfer, Michael W. (211389) **Saint Louis, MO** US-GER, STATES, OCC, COL-MARTIN LUTHER; 31  
 Kuronen, Victor J. (211084) **Welland, ON** BRIT COMM; 56; Retired  
 Ladd, Jeanne M. (211315) **Riverside, IL** US; 49; Finance/Accounting  
 Lamb, Thomas J. (211162) **East Greenwich, RI** 54; H.R. Consultant  
 Lang, Christopher M. (211259) **Salt Lake City, UT** VICTORIAN ERA-PRE 1920 MIDDLE EAST-BALKANS-AUSTRO/HUNGARY; 55; Physician  
 Lansley, Bob (211357) **Mission Viejo, CA** USED SINGLES; 76; Real Estate Broker  
 Laurenzi, Martino W. (211217) **Westfield, NJ** 56  
 Lavender, Darryl J. (211123) **Odessa, FL** CLASSIC US-REVOLUTIONARY WAR-MILITARY- TRAINS; 44; Department of Defense Worker  
 Lazzerini, Lorenzo Magn (211085) **Livorno, Italy** TUSCANY POSTAL HISTORY; 40  
 Leary, Jerald D. (211173) **Land O Lakes, FL** US; 58; Health Administrator  
 Legg, Richard M. (211300) **Scituate, MA** US; 67; Retired  
 Lehmann, William (211323) **Carrollton, VA** US SINGLES; 64; Manager  
 Lenk, Peter E. (211181) **Foxboro, MA** US-NFLD; 52; Cabinetmaker  
 Levy, Philip (211206) **Ottawa Hills, OH** Retired  
 Leydorff, Jennifer C. (J-211263) **Gambrills, MD** US; 12; Student  
 Lima, Maria E. (211151) **Oconomowoc, WI** 61  
 Lizzadro, Joseph F. (211168) **Oak Brook, IL** US-DUCK; 69; Retired  
 Lombard, Michael (211049) **Vancouver, WA** US; 59  
 Loose, Gregory A. (211050) **Woodbridge, VA** PRE 1970 US; 58; Retired  
 Lotz, James A. (211182) **Cookeville, TN** US; 50; Musician/Professor  
 Lowe, Louis T. (211359) **Ventura, CA** US, OLD & DECORATIVE COVERS; 76  
 Loy, Herbert (211228) **Long Beach, CA** US-MEX-ISRAEL-PORT; Retired  
 Lunny, Michael G. (211242) **Union, NJ** US-UN; Project Manager  
 Magid, Rachel (211301) **Brooklyn, NY** US; Secretary  
 Marcho, Gary W. (211069) **South Gibson, PA** CARTOONS-US; 62; Self Employed  
 Marianiello, Vincent (211109) **Newark, DE** 49  
 Marvin, Addison (211065) **Vero Beach, FL** 72; Retired

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Mayer, Paul J. (211195) <b>Palmyra, PA</b> 64	Michels, Wes A. (211172) <b>San Jose, CA</b> US; 42; Programmer	Nelson, Robert M. (211207) <b>Roseville, MN</b> US- WORLDWIDE; 74; Retired
Mayo, Bryan L. (211098) <b>White Rock, Surrey, BC</b> CANADA, CANCELS, RPOS, POSTCARDS-US; 68; Retired	Miller, Susan A. (211184) <b>Apex, NC</b> US; 40; Manager	Newberry, Jay L. (211113) <b>Osterville, MA</b> US COVERS-GER; 70; Retired
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McCamley, William J. (211133) <b>State College, PA</b> CLASSIC US; 59; Contractor	Minnoch, D. Richard (211303) <b>Eden, UT</b> US, SHEETS; 60; Retired	Nutik-Nogid, Claire R. (S-211134) <b>Brooklyn, NY</b> STAT OF PALESTINE MANDATE; 66; Retired
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McGann, Thomas H. (211145) <b>Berwyn, PA</b> Retired	Monk, Justin T. (211250) <b>Parker, CO</b> US, COMMEM, AIR MAIL; 33; Financial Services	Onic, James Paul (211361) <b>Eden, NC</b> NAZI OCCUPIED EUR-AIR MAIL-SPECIAL DELIVERY-PARCEL POST-POSTAGE DUE; Quality Control
McIntosh, Jason (211183) <b>Omaha, NE</b> MOTORCYCLES; 31; Marketing	Moomey, Peter M. (211124) <b>Fort Wayne, IN</b> 1840-1940 WORLDWIDE; 40; Sales	Ordover, Morris (211282) <b>Hillsdale, NY</b> US; 71; Retired
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Melanson, Phil A. (211100) <b>Halifax, NS</b> WORLDWIDE; 59; Retired	Muley, Deepak D. (211059) <b>Sunnyvale, CA</b> 27	Papas, Andrew C. (211342) <b>La Jolla, CA</b> 70
Menta, Joseph P. (211275) <b>Clifton Heights, PA</b> US; 44; Public Relations Official	Murin, Greg (211368) <b>Hopewell Junction, NY</b> US; 57; Retired	Parker, Richard L. (211253) <b>Sandy, UT</b> DENMARK-NORWAY-SWEDEN-FINLAND; 78; President
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	Myrick, Gene E. (211157) <b>Liberal, KS</b> USED WORLDWIDE & US; 74; Retired	
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- Power, Lehan R. (211222) **Sayre, PA** 62
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- Roberts, David L. (211362) **Dandridge, TN** US; 72; Retired
- Rodgers, Dennis (211170) **Saugus, CA** US; 51; Manager
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- Rowson, Andrea (211127) **Orient, NY** 70
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- Shearin, Milton (211211) **Savannah, GA** CIVIL WAR ERA; 64; Retired
- Shifrin, Gail (211193) **Las Vegas, NV** 49
- Shpilberg, Jacob R. (Y-211043) **Prospect, KY** SOUVENIR SHEETS-OCEAN LIFE-MUSHROOMS-AVIATION-SHIPS; 11; Student
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- Stilgebouer, Richard L. (211364) **Rialto, CA** TRAINS; 74; Retired
- Stillman, James R. (211329) **Kentf eld, CA** ECLECTIC; 53; Retired
- Stone, Eric V. (211226) **Chicago, IL** US-GER-UK; 35; Legal Research
- Stout, Jean C. (S-211393) **Pearl, MS** PENGUINS-ROOSTERS-HENS-CHICKS-GB-UN-US; 65; Retired
- Strauser, Claude N. (211284) **Sullivan, MO** 60; Retired
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- Struve, Patrick W. (211311) **Balsam Lake, WI** US, COMMEM, FDI, PLATE BLKS; Retired
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- Swenson, Mary D. (211230) **Arcadia, CA** 55; Business Owner
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- Tunnell, Ted (211286) **Richmond, VA** GER-RUSSIA-VIET NAM-S E ASIA; 64; Professor
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- Welander, Robert W. (211265) **Olathe, KS** US-IRELAND; 39; Actuary
- Wellmaker, Ryan T. (J-211395) **Mount Vernon, IL** GB; 15; Student
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- Wong, Frank E. (S-211238) **Marina, CA** US COMMEM; 68; Retired
- Woodard, Dennis A. (211386) **Kenmore, NY** US-WORLDWIDE; 64; Retired
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- Bert, Adam K. (0485-009346), Washington, PA
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- Bleuler, Gordon G. (114050), Dallas, TX
- Boghosian, John W. (107066), Decatur, GA
- Booth, S. A. (2251-019411), Pointe Claire, PQ, Canada
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- Burros, Barry (206921), New York, NY
- Buth, William D. (179515), Maple Grove MN
- Chadwick, Everell V. (130895), Shavertown, PA
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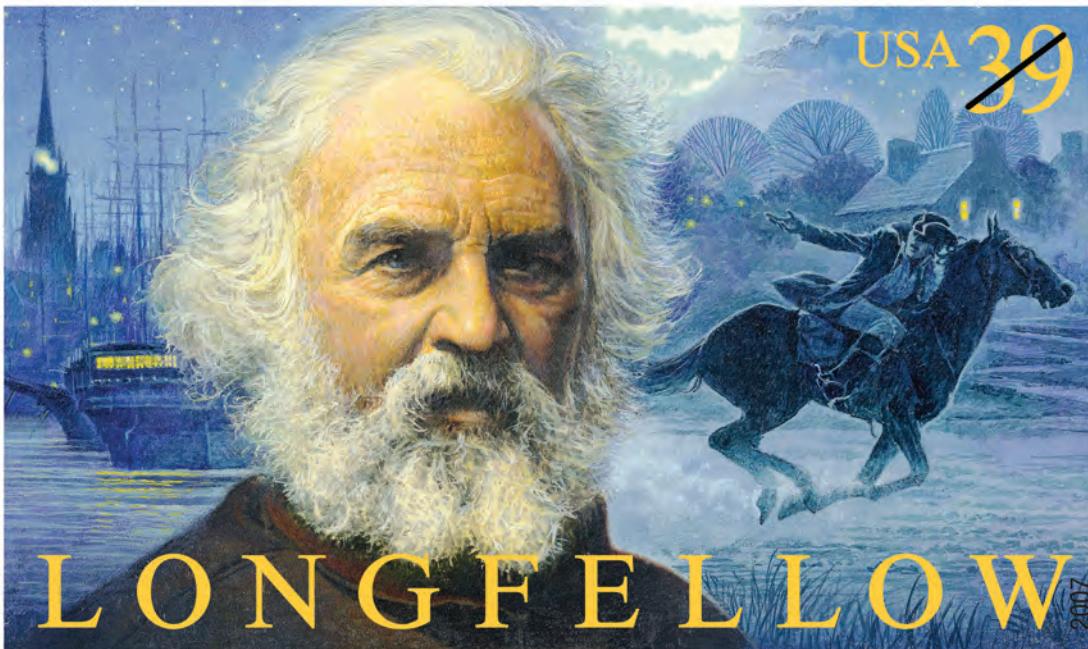
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# Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

A 39-cent Henry Wadsworth Longfellow commemorative stamp was issued March 15, 2007, at the American Stamp Dealers Association Mega Stamp Show at Madison Square Garden, in New York, New York.

With this twenty-third stamp in the Literary Arts series, the Postal Service commemorates the 200th anniversary of the birth of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (1807–1882). Considered the “uncrowned poet laureate” of nineteenth-century America, Longfellow rooted his poetry in European traditions and forms while often working with uniquely American subject matter. Widely read during his lifetime, Longfellow wrote more than 400 poems; today he is especially remembered for narrative poems such as *Paul Revere’s Ride* and *The Song of Hiawatha*.

The stamp art by Kazuhiko Sano of Mill Valley, California, features a portrait of Longfellow based on a photograph made circa 1876. Background art evokes scenes from *Paul Revere’s Ride*.

**Denomination:** 39-cent commemorative

**Format:** Pane of 20 (1 design)

**Series:** Literary Arts

**Designer/Art Director:** Howard E. Paine, Delaplane, VA

**Typographer:** Eric H. Kriemelmeyer, Bethesda, MD

**Artist:** Kazuhiko Sano, Mill Valley, CA

**Modeler:** Joseph Sheeran

**Manufacturing Process:** Offset, Microprinting, “USPS”

**Printer:** Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd., Williamsville, NY

**Press Type:** Mueller Martini, A 74

**Paper Type:** Prephosphored, Type II

**Adhesive Type:** Pressure-sensitive

**Colors:** Black, cyan, magenta, yellow

**Stamp Orientation:** Horizontal

**Sizes (w x h):** 36.068 x 21.336 mm

(image); 39.624 x 24.892 mm (overall);

151.13 x 183.896 mm (pane)

**Plate Numbers:** “P” followed by 5 single digits

**Marginal Markings:** Front: ©2006 USPS;

plate position diagram; price; 4 plate

numbers; Header “LITERARY ARTS

23RD IN A SERIES”

Back: 4 barcodes; USPS logo; Biographical text on back of stamp

## Tiffany Lamp

The 1-cent Tiffany Lamp definitive stamp was issued March 16, 2007, at the American Stamp Dealers Association Mega Stamp Show at Madison Square Garden, in New York, New York. This design was previously issued on March 1, 2003, in a water-activated gum coil of 3,000 stamps, and was printed by Senett Security Products.

**Denomination:** 1-cent definitive

**Format:** Pane of 20 (1 design)

**Series:** American Design

**Designer/Art Director:** Derry Noyes, Washington, DC

**Illustrator:** Lou Nolan, McLean, VA

**Modeler:** Joseph Sheeran

**Manufacturing Process:** Offset, Microprinting “USPS”

**Printer:** Ashton Potter (USA) Ltd., Williamsville, NY

**Press Type:** Mueller Martini, A76 – Modified

**Paper Type:** Nonphosphored, Type III

**Adhesive Type:** Pressure-sensitive

**Colors:** Green, black, cyan, magenta, yellow, orange

**Stamp Orientation:** Vertical

**Sizes (w x h):** 21.336 x 18.542 mm  
(image); 22.098 x 24.892 mm (overall);  
125.222 x 135.89 mm (pane)

**Plate Numbers:** "P" followed by 6 single digits

**Marginal Markings:** ©2003 USPS; plate position diagram; price; plate numbers on 4 corners of pane; 4 barcodes on back of pane

### Silver Coffeepot

The 3-cent Silver Coffeepot definitive stamp was issued March 16, 2007, at the American Stamp Dealers Association

Mega Stamp Show at Madison Square Garden, in New York, New York. This design was previously issued on September 16, 2005 in a water-activated gum coil of 10,000 stamps, and was printed by Sennett Security Products.

**Format:** Pane of 20 (1 design)

**Series:** American Design

**Artist:** Tania Lee, Washington, DC

**Designer/Art Director/Typographyher:**

Derry Noyes, Washington, DC

**Modeler:** Donald Woo

**Manufacturing Process:** Offset/  
Microprint "USPS"

**Printer:** Banknote Corporation of America,

Inc./SSP, Browns Summit, NC

**Press Type:** Alprinta, 74

**Paper Type:** Nonphosphored, Type III

**Adhesive Type:** Pressure-sensitive

**Colors:** Dark red, red, black, silver

**Stamp Orientation:** Vertical

**Sizes (w x h):** 17.78 x 20.82 mm (image);  
22.09 x 24.89 mm (overall); 135.89 x  
125.22 mm (pane)

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