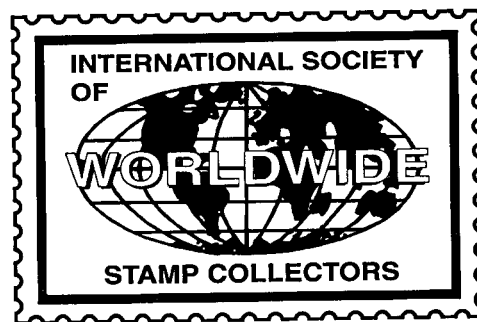


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## Emperor to Ceres

by Napoleon  
Part 5 of 5 in a Series

In 1853, France issued imperforate stamps showing Emperor Louis Napoleon (Napoleon III). The usual cancellation was the diamond-of-dots, the *losange*. Another common cancel was a circular date stamp. But there were other cancellations in use, and occasionally a supplemental marking ended up on the stamp.

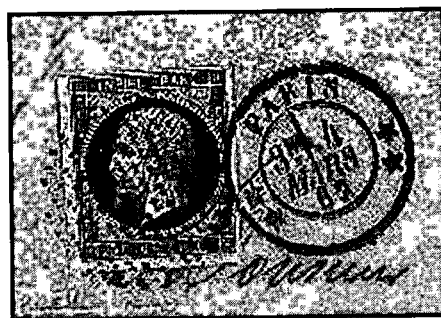


Fig 1: Round cancel of dots

Some of the cancels used many small dots, *petits points*, to form a pattern. The cancel in Figure 1 was a circle filled with small dots. Figure 2 shows four other patterns: a rectangle (upper left), a rectangle with sloping columns (upper right), an octagon (lower left), and a star without a center number (lower right). Cancels using larger dots were still in use. Figure 3 shows a pattern of medium-sized dots in six rows.

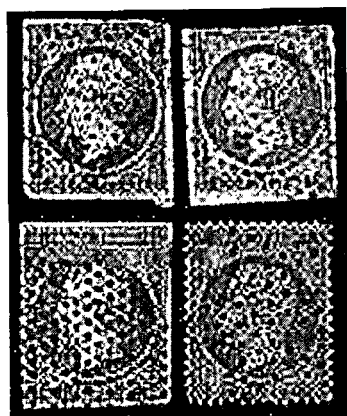


Fig 2:  
Cancels of small dots

By 1863, when the Emperor Napoleon III with laurel wreath stamps appear, the star usually had numbers in the center, identifying Parisian branch post offices. This cancellation looked like the lower right cancel of Figure 2 but with a large

numeral in the center. This was the same time at which the large-numerals-in-diamond-of-dots, *losange*, cancels went into use for cities other than Paris.

Mail handled by ships or French mail posted in foreign ports came with a variety of cancellations. Figure 4 shows a British postal cancel (Malta) in the upper left, a Spanish cancel from Barcelona in the upper right, a cancel from Napoli (Naples) in the lower left, and, in the lower right, part of the FRANCIA VIA DI MARE cancel for French mail posted with a ship captain headed for an Italian port. A somewhat common foreign postal marking was a red "LONDON PAID" on French mail transiting London (Figure 5).

For those who recall the Sage article in this series, the cancellation in Figure 6 may be familiar. This was a typographical cancel, created by printing a newspaper with the stamp attached to the paper before printing. Thus the newspaper was ready for mailing without the post office having to cancel a stamp on each copy.

Postmen were supplied with marking devices to use on mail collected on their route. These



Fig 3:  
Rectangle  
of large,  
square dots



Fig 4: Foreign cancels

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# President's Column

by Randy Smith (#1111) – ISWSC President

*Happy New Year!* As we welcome in the year, it is my pleasure to greet you on behalf of the new ISWSC board. I am honored (and humbled!) to begin serving you as president, especially following the excellent leadership of **Tony Zollo** (#856). I am very pleased that he will be continuing in his role as Executive Director and that past president, **Tom Fortunato** (#379), will be serving as Vice President for Public Relations. I hope you will join me in thanking Tony, Tom, **Dalene Thomas** (#101) and other members of the board for their outstanding contributions and dedication to the ISWSC. I look forward to working with them and the new board members to strengthen and expand the ISWSC!

To prepare for writing this column, I decided to re-read the President's columns from the past two years. If I had to summarize

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**DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE:**

**JANUARY 20, 2002**

# ISWSC 2001 Elections: And the Winners Are...

**C**ongratulations to the winners in the ISWSC 2001 elections!

Our new elected officers are as follows:

**President:** Randy Smith

**VP for Charitable**

**Services:** Mike Crump

**VP for Public Relations:**

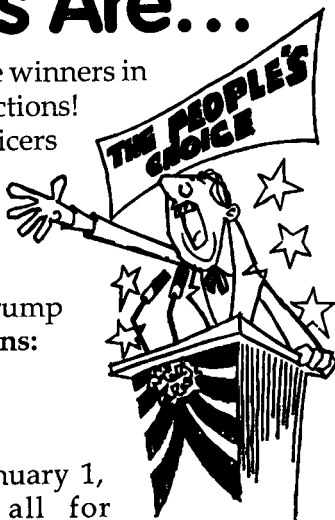
Tom Fortunato

**Secretary:** Joanne

Berkowitz

Their term begins January 1, 2002. My thanks to all for volunteering. Also a thank you to Fred Kolcz for stepping forward to run (you'll win next time!!).

See page two for a complete list of all ISWSC officers, managers and services.



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the past two years in a single word, I'd choose "transition". In nearly every column, transition in the management of one of more ISWSC programs was discussed – either thanking a past leader, introducing a new leader, or seeking a volunteer to fill openings.

As we begin this new year, my wish is that all ISWSC members will make a resolution to do what they can to continue to strengthen the ISWSC and the stamp collecting hobby. Possibilities within the ISWSC include volunteering for an open position, helping existing managers with their programs, participating in the various ISWSC programs, and/or encouraging others to join the society. Re-reading the past President's columns was a good reminder that the health of this society is dependent on one thing – YOU!

I encourage all members to contact me at any time with questions, comments, suggestions, or to volunteer. I look forward to hearing from you!

Happy Stamping!



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### Dues Information:

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Youth membership (under 18): \$10.00\*

Family membership (up to 4 persons in one residence): \$19.00\*

\*Plus 250 large commemoratives for the Youth Program or equiv. donation in US\$. Dues above are for one year and include six newsletters per year. You may sign up for three years at a time. For an application or further information send SASE or IRC to: ISWSC, P.O. Box 150407, Lufkin TX 75915-0407, USA. *There will be a \$2 per year discount if the renewal is received at least one month prior to the current expiration date.*

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For reasons of accountability, only members of the ISWSC, APS or ASDA may place ads. All ads dealing with philatelic concerns are acceptable. We reserve the right to edit out objectionable language. Advertisers are expected to respond to all inquiries, so be sure you can handle the responses before you offer to trade, buy or sell. If you have a bad result from answering an ad, contact the Editor. We will try to resolve the conflict.

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Full page: \$75.00\*\*

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Per column inch: \$5.00

Six repeat insertions of the same ad for the cost of five ads (one free). We will also offer a two-sided insertion for \$125 per issue.

\*Camera Ready means ready to paste up or scan and print. Reductions and typesetting extra.

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First 30 words, including name, address, and ZIP code are \$3. Additional words are 20 for \$1.

NOTE: State abbreviations = one word; "P.O. Box 1234" = two words; ZIP code = one word.

**Make all checks payable to ISWSC in U.S. funds. Send text and payment for ads to the Editor. All addresses can be found on page 2.**

# Swap Circuit Program Explained

## 2002 Fees Due by March 1

by Randy Smith (#1111)

ISWSC President & Swap Circuit Coordinator

The ability to participate in the Swap Circuit program is one of the many benefits of being an ISWSC member. The program is designed to assist you in filling those empty spaces in your collection, while putting your quality traders to good use. Except for the programs' annual fees, no cash is needed — for each stamp you select, you simply replace it with another stamp, without regard to the catalog value! In order to maintain the quality of the program, members are, however, encouraged to only swap desirable stamps — common and damaged stamps are not allowed.

The program currently offers four circuit types: Regular, Super, Small, and CTO. The Regular circuit consists of 100 large stamps per mailing, while the Super circuit consists of 200 large stamps per mailing (stamps bigger than approximately 1" x 1 1/8" are considered "large" while stamps less than that size are considered "small"). The Small circuit usually contains between 100-150 stamps per mailing, most of which are definitives. The CTO circuit may contain stamps of any size, however all of the stamps are cancelled to order. Stamps in the circuit are all off paper, but may be mint or used, hinged or unhinged.

While the Coordinator oversees the entire program, the individual circuit managers do all the

work! The circuit manager creates an individual circuit by putting together a packet of stamps and selecting 4 or 5 people from their roster of participants. A routing sheet, containing the names and addresses of those on the circuit, and the stamp packet are then sent to the first person on the list. This person selects the stamps he/she wants and replaces them with an equal number of stamps, then mails the routing sheet and stamps packet on to the next person on the list.

The process continues until the last person on the list receives the circuit. After making his/her swaps, the last person mails the circuit, along with mint postage for a future circuit, back to the manager. The manager then creates a new packet of stamps, changes the order of the names on the routing sheet, and sends the circuit back out. After each person on the circuit has been in each position on the circuit (i.e. first through last), the manager starts the whole process over, selecting a new set of 4 or 5 names.

In order for the program to operate, fees are charged to Swap Circuit participants each year (the term "fees" is used to distinguish them from the dues charged annually to be an ISWSC member). Those new to the program are encouraged to join at any time, however if you join prior to March 1, you will, in essence, receive up to 2 months free (service will

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## Emperor to Ceres

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Fig 5: Red  
"London  
Paid"

images of these are available from the author by e-mail.

include a single capital letter in a circle (used to mark mail collected from a rural mailbox) and an OR in a circle. OR stood for *origine rurale*, canceling stamps on a letter picked up by a rural postman and later delivered by him. As with other cancels mentioned but not illustrated in this series,



Fig 6:  
Typographical cancel

## About the Author

Napoleon is 60 years old and a member of his local stamp club, having served as treasurer, secretary, vice-president, and president. He also belongs to the local chapter of the Germany Philatelic Society, to the France and Colonies Philatelic Society (U.K.), and to the APS.

The articles on early French cancellations are an English-language introduction to the topic. An article identifying early French stamps is a summary of information given to interested Internet auction sellers who have trouble differentiating between the various Ceres-head issues.

Questions or comments? Contact the author at: [napoleon@voyager.net](mailto:napoleon@voyager.net).



# Swap Circuit Program

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begin as soon as your fees are received)! **Current participants must send in their annual fees by March 1, 2002**, otherwise their name will be removed from the circuits.

Fees for 2002 remain the same as last year: a single \$2.00 fee plus the stamp fee. The amount of stamp fees is dependent on the type of circuits and the number of concurrent circuits requested, as shown in the box below.

Participants may choose to substitute \$4.00 per 100 stamps listed above (this money will be used to purchase additional stamps for the program). For Regular and Super circuits, you may specify if you wish to receive circuits with participants living only in the USA or Canada, circuits with participants living anywhere in the world, or a combination of the two. Unfortunately, due to the fewer number of participants, this preference cannot currently be

honored for Small or CTO circuits. As long as the proper amount of fees are paid, you are free to participate in any combination of the circuit types, however restrictions are placed on the number of concurrent circuits you may request of a single circuit type. For the Regular, Super, and Small circuits, you may request to be on a maximum of 9 concurrent circuits. For the CTO circuit, you may request to be on a maximum of 4 concurrent circuits.

To join the program or to renew, complete the form accompanying this article and mail it with your fees to the address on the form. If you would like more information prior to joining the program, please contact the Coordinator at the address listed on the form or send an e-mail to [rasmay4@earthlink.net](mailto:rasmay4@earthlink.net).

I look forward to your participation!

CIRCUIT TYPE	1-4 CIRCUITS	5-9 CIRCUITS
Regular	100 large stamps	200 large stamps
Super	200 large stamps	400 large stamps
Small	100 small stamps	200 small stamps
CTO	100 CTO stamps	n/a

**Fill out the form below to join the Swap Circuit Program.**

*Send this original or a photocopy to the address below.*

Member Name \_\_\_\_\_ Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Collecting Interests \_\_\_\_\_

# Circuits \_\_\_\_\_ (USA & Canada members only)

# Circuits \_\_\_\_\_ (Worldwide members)

## # STAMPS

Stamp Fee: ☐ Regular Circuit

☐ Super Circuit

☐ Small Circuit

☐ CTO Circuit

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

## \$ AMOUNT

Monetary Fee: \$2.00

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Cash, sent at your own risk, and checks (made payable to "ISWSC") should be in US funds only.*

**Please send inquiries and all fees to:**

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Eagan, MN 55121**

# PR Activities: Past & Present

by Thomas M. Fortunato (#379)  
ISWSC V.P. for Public Relations

First, let me take this opportunity to thank the membership for voting me into my new role, actually one which I'm very familiar and comfortable with. I began my activities with the ISWSC in that position many years ago under the tutelage of Dave Nelson.

Let me first congratulate British Isles regional secretary Chad Neighbor and now former president Tony Zollo on a real coup. The 2001 *Guide to Worldwide Stamp Collecting* published by "Stamp Collector," one of several philatelic newspapers in the U.S., featured three references to the ISWSC in the 24 page pull-out supplement:

- Chad wrote a clever article entitled, "The World is My Oyster." It describes how he became interested in stamps, and specifically worldwide issues.
- The inside back cover of the supplement has society and membership details, including where to write to sign up!
- Lastly, another article in the issue describes

the wealth of information found on the society's web page.

I will continue to hold ISWSC formal and informal meetings at various stamp shows in the U.S., Canada, and elsewhere whenever possible. Two informal gatherings will take place during Sandical in San Diego February 1-3, and at the National Topical Stamp Show in Orlando in June 21-23. I'll be judging both shows and would be happy to speak with any members in attendance.

A more formal meeting will take place at the annual APS Stampshow, being held in August in Atlantic City. More details on that will follow in subsequent Circuit issues.

What's next? Well, that's where you come in. What are your thoughts and ideas on increasing the ISWSC membership? The officers have been discussing this in depth. The ISWSC has always been a grass-roots organization from its very beginning, so what better audience to ask this question of than the current membership? Write or email me per my address in the officer masthead.



## The Land of the Rising Sun A Quick Look at Japan

by Jennifer Arnold  
The Circuit Editor

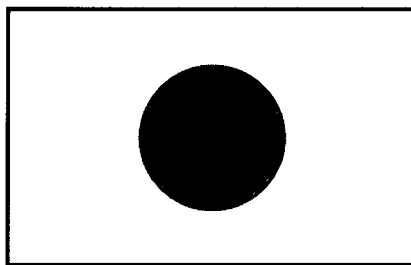
Nihon-Koku. The Land of the Rising Sun. Japan is a nation firmly rooted in its culture and traditions.

Japan lies off the east coast of China in the Pacific Ocean. Four large islands make up the bulk of Japan: Hokkaido, Honshu, Shikoku



and Kyushu. The remaining 2% of the country consists of about 4,000 smaller islands, including the Ryukyus.

The island's diverse landscape comes from the very unstable portion of the earth's crust that Japan is sitting on. Volcanic activity and violent earthquakes are a constant worry for the



Officially adopted in 1870, this design had been used by Japanese emperors for many centuries.

people of this nation.

Despite the fact that the Japan's terrain is very mountainous and the country is not very big (slightly larger than Italy), Japan has the seventh highest population in the world. This means it is one of the most densely populated countries in the world because of the lack of habitable areas.

Japan was first populated by immigrants from Korea and elsewhere on the Asian mainland. The earliest settlements were on the southernmost island of Kyushu. The country was divided into several clans by the 5th century A.D. Of these, the most powerful was the



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# Sales Circuit News

by James M. Gaul (#1853)  
Sales Circuit Manager

**H**i, all! This is my first column as the sales circuit manager. I would like to use this column to inform everyone of the availability of acquiring and selling stamps through this program, and also try to entice new participants in it.

The sales circuit is very similar to the APS sales circuit in many ways, such as receiving sale books in the mail, selecting stamps from them, and mailing them on to the next member on the Route Sheet. Our sales books are not as large, or have as many pages as the APS books. Each book has 8 pages and spaces for up to 12 stamps on each page.

A circuit will consist of 10 or less books, with an average amount of \$300 to \$1000 net value. Each circuit will consist of books from one of the 13 Groups currently being used.

The Groups are as follows:

- 1) U.S.
- 2) Canada
- 3) British Commonwealth
- 4) Western Europe & Colonies
- 5) Eastern Europe and Russia
- 6) Asia
- 7) Africa & Colonies
- 8) South America
- 9) Central America & L. West Indies
- 10) Topical,
- 11) Misc. Countries
- 12) Worldwide Mixed
- 13) 1840-1940 Classics

Current inventory of books consists of about 200 books out in 20 circuits right now, another 200 presently on file and about 50 to 75 ready for retirement. As you can see from these statistics, there are a lot of books waiting to be seen!

So, if any of this is of interest to you, please send me an email message, or write a note and send it by snail mail, to me and I'll send you the buyer guidelines and the participation form. Just fill out this form and send it back to me. I'll then add your name to the next available circuit corresponding to your Group choices. It's as easy as that! You'll then be able to look at stamps in your own home, no pressure from any dealer to buy, and books of stamps containing your preferences.

I have around 35 active buyers right now, and hope to double that starting in 2002. I need more

buyers in order to lower the turn around rate for the books sent in by the sellers, currently, it is about a three year cycle. I hope to reduce this to 18 months or less by the end of 2002, but I can only do this if I have more buyers.

Some of the most recent books sent in by sellers contain the following (with their net value):

- 3 books with stamps from Jamaica (\$140)
- 1 book with Africa (Namibia) (\$50)
- 3 books with Japan (\$110)
- 1 book with Brazil (\$50)
- 2 books with Mozambique (\$70)
- 1 book with Switzerland (\$100)
- 1 book with Australian States (\$107)
- 6 books with various British Commonwealth, including Aden, Bermuda, Barbados (\$180)
- 1 book with Austria (\$67)
- 1 book with Chile (\$30)
- 1 book with Peru (\$60)
- 1 book with Germany (\$77)
- 1 book with Russia (\$66)
- 2 books with Canada (\$250)
- 2 books with US (\$670)
- 2 books with Great Britain & Ireland (\$315)
- 1 book with Azores (\$210)
- 1 book with Zimbabwe & Zululand (\$165)
- 1 book with Newfoundland (\$300)
- 1 book with Norway & Denmark (\$157)
- And last, but in no way the least, 2 books with Antigua (\$480)

So you see, my fellow ISWSC members, there are plenty of good, high value, desirable books waiting for you here. COME AND GET 'EM. As I stated, these are only just the most recent submissions. Many, many more books await you from other countries with values ranging anywhere from \$15 to \$350 per book!

I hope this will wet your appetite and I'll be waiting to hear from some of you in the near future regarding your participation in the sales circuit. Here is my email address and mailing address for your convenience. Take care and keep on stampin'!

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# Join the OMNI Exchange Club

by Jim Millette (1314)  
OMNI Circuit Manager

**D**o you enjoy trading for stamps to add to your collection? Do you have a lot of duplicates that you would like to exchange? There has never been a better time to join the OMNI Exchange Club!

The purpose of the OMNI Exchange Club is to allow members to exchange duplicate stamps for those you need without a big cash outlay. Two exchanges are available, based on Scott catalog value: one for Pink cataloging at 15¢ each and up; and the other for Blue cataloging at 50¢ each and up.

The only cash involved is for blank books (at 3 for \$1.00) and postage for mailings. This is a true exchange, not a sales operation. Here is a brief description of how OMNI Exchange operates:

1. When you join, we will send you blank

books to fill with stamps that you want to exchange.

2. You send the filled books to one of the managers and we will credit your account with the catalog value.
3. We will send you books of other exchanger stamps for you to select from
4. We will circulate your books to other exchanger who will select stamps.
5. After the book is fully circulated, we will return the book to you and deduct 10% of catalog value of stamps removed from your book as a fee for ISWSC.

If you have any questions about the OMNI Exchange Club, please contact: Jim Millette, 8901 Marcel Cadieux (#207), Montreal PQ H2M 2L9, CANADA; e-mail [jmillett@globetrotter.net](mailto:jmillett@globetrotter.net)



## Report From the VP for Charitable Programs

by Mike Crump (#2126)

**A**fter a busy summer for Charitable Programs, things have tapered off a bit in the fall. My son and two step-daughters all moved from home in August. The suddenly uncrowded house has allowed me to claim a bedroom for stamp activities. Organizing all of my own items and those of the ISWSC from various stashes in the house and garage has kept me busy. The stamp room is still "that gawdawful mess" according to my wife.

My forty-five day detail to Washington, D.C. was cut short by the deaths of two in-laws in October. I returned to California after a twelve day absence and was excused from further duties in D.C.

The inventory of stamps for distribution in packets is substantial right now. Several larger donations and dues donations have alleviated an early summer shortage. I appreciate all of your 250 and 500 stamp donations which are coming in regularly.

I received a note from Ken Kurze (#1428) who requested that I give a clear priority listing for what types of stamps are needed for the dues stamp donations. Primarily I need off-paper foreign commemorative-type stamps. The packets that go out

are for kids. Big, bright and colorful are the keywords here. I can use the same on-paper. I get some requests from classroom groups, after-school clubs, camp groups, etc., where on-paper stamps are needed.

I am overstocked on U.S. on-paper and I have twenty pounds of British missionary mix (on-paper).

Ongoing program: Through contact with Jennifer Arnold, Executive Secretary for the Junior Philatelists of America (and ISWSC *Circuit* editor), Charitable Programs has been sending stamp packets to JPA members on their birthdays.

Proposed programs: I have proposed to the JPA that we enclose an application/flyer from the JPA when I send a packet of stamps to a non-member youth. Additionally, I have proposed to the JPA that ISWSC be allowed to solicit members from among JPA "graduates" (those kids reaching age 18). These programs might help both organizations.

Proposed name change: I have proposed to the ISWSC board of directors that a change in name from "Vice-President for Charitable Programs" be considered. My preference would be "VP for Youth Services" or "VP for Youth Programs." Since this would require a change in the by-laws, a vote by the

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Yamato. Shinto — a polytheistic religion based on nature worship — was part of the culture by this time. The Japanese imperial dynasty had also begun.

The culture evolved over the next three centuries as Chinese influences began

to infiltrate the islands. Buddhism, the Chinese script, and Chinese methods of government and administration all took a foothold in the Japanese way of life. Confucianism was later imported, as well. Early cities built in Japan were even modeled after the capital of the T'ang-dynasty China. Kyoto, built in 794, remained the seat of the imperial court until 1868.

The Chinese system of centralized, bureaucratic government didn't last in Japan. Early in the 12th century political power turned to the military. The emperor led the government using warrior leaders called shoguns, leading to civil warfare between rival groups of feudal lords. From 1603 to 1867, Japan was ruled by the Tokugawa shogun and enjoyed a time of great peace and prosperity. At this time society was feudal and military families — the feudal lords and their samarais — emerged as the powerful elite.

After centuries of seclusion from the rest of the world, Commodore Perry of the U.S. Navy arrived in Japan in 1853. Perry demanded that Japanese ports

be opened to Western trade, which eventually led to the overthrow of the Tokugawa government. In 1868, the Meiji Restoration resumed imperial rule. The modernization of Japan soon followed.

Japan's overseas empire began growing, with victories in both the Sino-Japanese War (1894-5)



and the Russo-Japanese War ((1904-5). With the colonies of Taiwan and Korea under its control, Japan added Manchuria in 1931. Military control of Japan grew steadily during this time, especially after the war between Japan and China broke out in 1937. Then, in 1941, a now militarily strong and confident Japan launched a surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, drawing the United States into World War II.

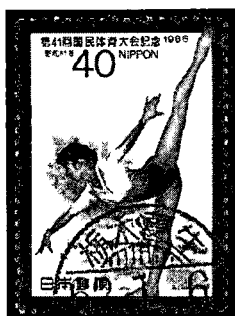
Japan was defeated in 1945, and remained under administration by U.S. forces until 1952. During this time, liberal and democratic reforms were put in place taking much power away from the emperor. The policies set in place by the American Occupation

authorities gave Japan the boost it needed to once again rise as a nation. Although the emperor kept his place, he had to answer to a democratically elected Diet. Women were given voting rights for the first time. Trade unions were formed, giving workers the right to strike. Land reform gave the Japanese people the right to work their own land and by 1950, 90% of farmland was owner-cultivated.

The Korean War in 1950 gave Japan's economy a tremendous boost. Japanese factories provided much of the steel, vehicles and other equipment needed by the Americans, and they were paid well. The American occupation of Japan ended in 1952, but the military remained giving Japan the opportunity to concentrate more on industry and less on military.

By the 1960s, Japan's economy was second strongest in the world. The high technology products from this country dominated the world's market, while banks and private investors bought up industry and real estate all over the world.

To discover more about the Japanese people, their culture and their history, spend some time sorting through stamps issued by Japan over the years.



## Charitable Programs

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**#2329 T. Wayne Black** (Exp 11/02)

Unlisted address

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*A, F, Beg, Yrs(3), CC, 1*

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Email: greenboughma@aol.com

*B(to 1960), G, Int, Yrs(30), DD, 2(US), 7(Nfld, Can, IOM)*

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Woodbine, MD 21797-7829

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*A, Beg, Yrs(2), Top(women on stamps), AA, 1(ww), 3-4(US), 6(ww)*

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Pensacola, FL 32513-2400

*B(to 1940), F, Adv, Yrs(56), EE, 1-5(US), 10(ww first issues), non-exchanging*

## Reinstated (formerly dropped)

**#1070 Elquist**

**#1248 Pancella**

**#1419 Menzies**

**#1562 Drechsler**

**#1844 Cochrane**

**#1877 Walker**

**#2205 Gillespie**

## Temporarily Away, Contact HQ

None

## Address Changes/Corrections

**#635 George**

change zip code to 72223

**#1177 McClure**

1320 Wilson Ave

Ames, IA 50010

**#1474 Mattola**

70 Chase Rd

Manhasset NY 11030-2503

**#1540 Newton**

1114 Nokomis Ave S

Venice, FL 34285-3819

**#1774 Murphy**

110 Holts Lane

Bacchus Marsh, Vic 3340

Australia

**#2226 Derks**

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McCormick, SC 29835-2512

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**#1177 McClure** vanman494@home.com

**#1540 Newton** omoranch@aol.com

**#2226 Derks** dderks@wctel.net

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(email corrections to Tom Fortunato:

stampmtf@frontiernet.net)

**#25 Nelson**

**#356 Sackett**

**#2118 Kwai**

**#2229 Ares**

## Resigned

**#392 Pelleitier** (died 4/2001)

**#757 Barylinski** (health reasons)

**#806 Kramer** (personal reasons)

## Dropped — Dues Expired in September

**#714 Axtell**

**#741 Selehdar**

**#758 Mucio**

**#1571 Craig**

**#1601 Perron**

**#1886 Coulbourne**

**#2207 Kawali**

**#2282 White**

**#2285 Hoffman**

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**#181 Sandholt**

**#635 George**

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**#1225 Williams**

**#1877 Walker**

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