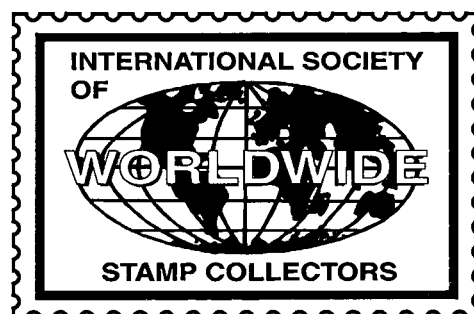


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President's Column

by Randy Smith (#1111)
ISWSC President

*a*s I mentioned in our last newsletter, it is hard to believe that a year has gone by since I began serving as your president! At the beginning of this New Year, I want to take time to thank all those who work so tirelessly to bring you the programs of the ISWSC. From the auctions, to the sales and swap circuits, to the Whatzit? column, to the charitable services program, from the regional representatives to the newsletter editor (and everything and everyone in between), thank you to all of you who volunteer to make the ISWSC happen!

I'd also like to specifically thank four individuals. The first two, **Joan Roderick** and **Ken Costilow** are retiring from the Board of Directors immediately after the current election is tabulated. Joan has served two

consecutive terms (and is therefore ineligible for another term) and Ken is finishing his first term. I have enjoyed working with both of them this past year and appreciate all they have done for the society — I will miss them on the Board.

The other two individuals I'd like to thank are **Tony Zollo** and **Tom Fortunato**. These two individuals are really the heart and soul of the ISWSC. It is incredible how much work the two of these gentlemen do to keep the ISWSC alive and well. Thank you!

Enclosed in this edition of the newsletter, you'll find a ballot for the Board of Director's positions. I encourage each of you to read the write-ups submitted by the candidates, then exercise your right to vote. The winners, to be announced in the next newsletter, will serve on the Board for the next two years. I look forward to welcoming them to the Board!

Candidate Biographies

ANDREW TITLEY

*M*y name is Andrew Titley and I am a 15 year old stamp collector/seller out of Oceanside, NY. My two main sections in collecting stamps are Ethiopia and Cape of Good Hope. I have my own website, AlbionStamps.com, which I sell and trade on. I have many happy customers and traders alike! I started collecting about three years ago when I was only 12 years old. My first experiences with stamps were the stamps that my dad collected when he was my age. The collection included a stock book of Great Britain and three green stock books of worldwide stamps. Inside the Great Britain book, lo and behold, was a Penny Black. To

this day, I keep this stamp as a memory of what my dad had given to me and what he started me on.

As a young collector, I believe I will bring a different perspective to the club, and therefore would like to be a board member. I would try to bring different ideas to the club and assist it in its promoting and expansion.

Thanks, Andrew Titley

KEN WILLS

I have been collecting used worldwide stamps for about 50 years. Retirement from my technology research position with American

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Airlines and Sabre started two years ago, but I still don't know where the time goes. I have served as treasurer, secretary and chairman of the Bank of America Philatelic Society, and am now First Vice President of the Mid-Cities Stamp Club (of Arlington and Irving in NE Texas).

I have had the pleasure of getting to know many ISWSC members as Swap Circuit Manager of the Small (Definitives) Circuit for the last two years. My wife considers herself a stamp widow — one better than a golf widow as she knows where I am!

RICK SIMPSON

Like many other ISWSC members, I started stamp collecting when I was young, put it aside, then picked it up again as retirement approached. I was especially fortunate in this regard, since I managed to retire at age 55. I am now 61. My wife and I raised six children and a handful (literally!) of foster kids. We are both avid Internet enthusiasts. She maintains the web site for SOCORICO, the Society of Costa Rica Philatelists and has helped on several other philatelic websites. We have worked together to prepare materials for the ISWSC website.

I have a master's degree in Instructional Systems Design from the University of Maryland and during my working life held a variety of technical positions — everything from being a B-52 crewmember to starting my own computer store. I finished my career writing instructional materials to teach computer subjects. In my retirement I have a part-time job teaching at a local community college.

As you might suspect, I have a strong interest in using the Internet to enhance my stamp collecting efforts. I collect worldwide through 1940. Originally I used the Scott International albums, but have been switching over to the Steiner StampAlbums Web pages. I am the U. S. distributor for printed pages from that web site. I also volunteer my efforts to produce stamp album pages for that site. Currently I am working my way through the pages for Indonesia.

I am concerned that ISWSC membership continues to fall, even though it is now easier to reach a worldwide audience. I think the recent attempts to publicize our society are a good start. I think that we must continue to improve and expand the services we offer and make more collectors aware of the benefits of membership.

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Dues/Advertising Policy

Dues Information:

Single/Dealer/Club membership: \$12.00*

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**

Half page: \$40.00**

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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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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.

Sales Circuit Update

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

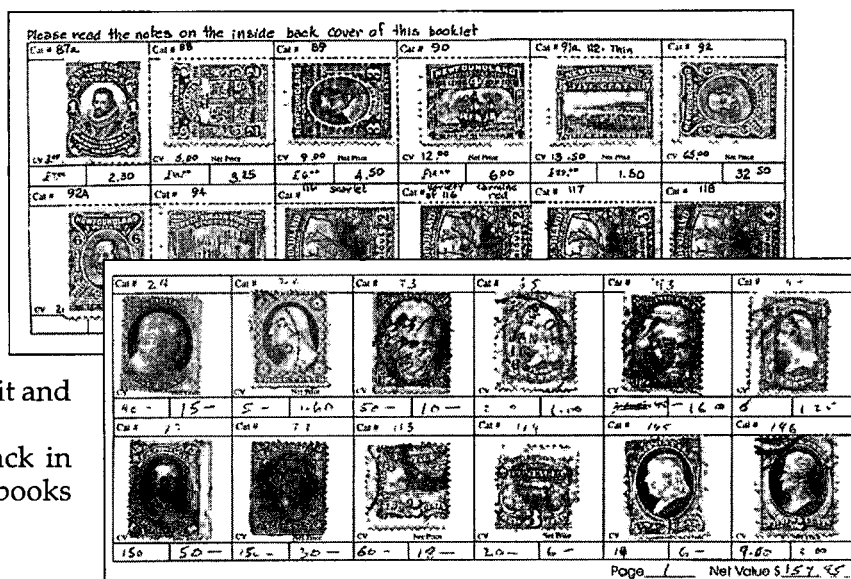
Greetings fellow members! Hope all of you had a very merry Christmas and the start of a prosperous New Year! Here is my first attempt

at writing a column for the Circuit News. Hopefully, it will be the first of many more to come! I plan to run a column for each issue to keep current buyers and sellers up-to-date on the circuit and also try and induce others to participate!

For this issue, which was written back in November, I have received the following books for submission.

- Hong Kong—\$196.25
- Netherlands—\$218.45
- Switzerland—\$325.85
- Jamaica—\$160.45
- 2 US only—\$311&\$313
- W/W mix—50.38
- Uruguay—107.90
- Japan—45.25
- Venezuela—109.42
- Spain—\$70.30
- Iceland—\$144.25

As you can see from this list, there's something for everyone here, with many more books to select



good stamps from! Currently, there are about 390 books in the inventory, with about 100 to retire and about 18 to log in.

So how about it! Start the New Year off right and get into the program! Just a quick email, simple phone call, or a letter sent by snail mail to me, and you're on your way to getting a group of stamps to peruse in your home at your leisure with no pressure from dealers! It's one of your benefits by being in this society, so why not use it!

A sales circuit consists of 8 to 10 books, each containing stamps from one of the 13 Groups. This circuit is sent to 5 members, each having 7 days to select what stamps they want and then sending the circuit onto the next member listed on the route sheet. A report sheet is provided for each member to mark his or her purchases. This is then sent in with payment to me. All circuits are sent on by Certified Mail only! So the only expense involved on your part is the \$1.25 Circuit fee, which is paid whether or not any purchases are made, and the cost of mailing the circuit by Certified mail to the next member. Usually this will run about \$4.50 on average! That's a bargain in my book compared to say movie tickets or dinner out!

Here's a sample page from two recently submitted books. I plan to give everyone a peek at what's in a sales circuit by showing these scans. This month I have done a page from Group 1, which is US only, and a page from Group 2, which is from Canada and providence's. In future issues, I will show a page from other Groups.

That's it for now, stay tuned for further updates, and remember my motto: Keep on stampin'!

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NOEL ROUTLEY

I have been a collector all my 68 years. This is my second collection — I sold my first to get married (still trying to work out if I was wise or not). My collection totals 120,000 stamps. I'm a retired builder who now lives in a rural town with a population of 300.

My reason for applying for this position is that as a senior member of the ISWSC outside of the USA, I would give a broader outlook on issues. I would also like to help the youth programme, as it is very important to keep the youth interested.

To all members a merry xmas and new year.



An Exhibition in Reminiscence

by Ada Enyioha
Loyola Jesuit College, Nigeria
Senior Secondary 2

Submitted by Augustine Enabulele, S.J. (#1463)

This exhibition had been on every mind of each LJC philatelist throughout the year 2000. Making this exhibition work had been paramount for us all. With all the excitement in the air, we forgot about the troubles and the problems we may come across.

First, our patron Augustine started by choosing where we would hold our exhibition. We were faced with either going to the Sheraton Hotels and Towers with a reduced number of our group and guests, which we didn't want. We had 62 members in the club, and we couldn't bear allowing only 30 people to go for one day and another 30 people going the following day since the exhibition was to last two days. So, we dropped the idea of going to Sheraton for the bigger and better Nicon Hilton Hotel, where we had to pay a huge amount of money for the exhibition space for two days, but with no restrictions on the number of people who could come.

How were we to get the money for the exhibition? This was going to be a big problem, but we decided to try all possible ways of raising enough money not only to go to Nicon Hilton, but also to cover all other expenses.

It wasn't going to be easy since some of our parents and sponsors didn't know how big we actually meant the exhibition to be. They didn't really give us as much as we needed, and so we didn't make much progress at all.

Augustine then came up with a bright idea. He decided to write letters to each of our parents at the end of the term/semester. The letters made them more aware about our plans and needs. This really helped, as almost half the members of the club returned to school in the new term/semester with as



Augustine chatting with parents

much as \$50. Augustine also sent the same letter to companies and embassies.

We planned to exhibit all of our stamp albums with some information attached to each person's album. These information were to contain some bio data, philatelic history, philatelic interest and address of each child in the club in case there were philatelists at the exhibition who would be interested in contact and trading of stamps. These were to be put on a long table along with each child's album. In addition, we chose to mount or exhibit on stands/boards only those countries from which we had many stamps — about 45 countries. We decided to attach to the stamps of these countries the printed national flags, and researched, historical, political, geographical, economical and social information about each country for people who might be interested.

Next, we gathered from various stamp books many bits of information. For example, "Did you know that the Swedish 'Treskilling Yellow' sold for \$2.27 million at Zurich-Switzerland and was the most expensive man-made object?" This kind of info was typed in large, emboldened fonts and mounted along with stamps on stands/boards. In addition to all of these, we wanted to come up with a newsletter, and all of this work was to be done with computers. We have about 26 computers in our computer room at school, and so children who were good at computers were selected to help with the computer work.

To worsen our case, we had problems while doing all the writings, compositions and making of the newsletter. Once, the computer server crashed. At



Students in front of the stamp display

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another time, a virus messed up our files. Though our patron, Augustine, was furious and depressed, each time the God of philately came to our rescue.

Sometimes, Augustine would have to arrange all sorts of things outside the school, and return to school as late as twelve midnight. Once he had to go from one school to another to distribute invitations. He would have to go to different companies and embassies to ask them to sponsor our exhibition but they would end up shutting their doors at us or say that they only sponsor sporting events. At other times, Augustine would go to some people for help, and they would neither respond positively or negatively. At times, he would really get depressed and would be heard saying, "Let's forget about the exhibition."

One very encouraging thing was that students who were not members of our club joined in the fund-raising by asking their parents to donate for our exhibition. They were hoping that in this way, they could get to attend the exhibition. It is no exaggeration that ours was the best and the most happening club in school. So, when other teachers or students who were not members of the club heard about what we were planning to do, they had to come up with ways or ideas on how they could attend the exhibition.

Meanwhile radio and TV stations were already announcing that Loyola Jesuit College would be having their first national stamp exhibition for two days at Nicon Hilton Hotel, Abuja. Gradually a number of parents got attracted and asked what they could do to help. Apart from the extra money and food and drinks that we got from these generous parents, a few organizations and companies also made some generous donations that we found very helpful. Our school also made a donation.

At the end, everyone within and without our club agree that it was a great exhibition. Calls of

congratulations kept coming in. At the exhibition, many high school and primary school pupils and students were there; both amateur and professional philatelists from across the country were present; even those who knew nothing about stamps were there to satisfy their curiosity. Some embassies were

present. The Nigerian Post Master General and his assistants were present. The Chairman, and the Secretary General of the council for the promotion of philately in Nigeria were also there.

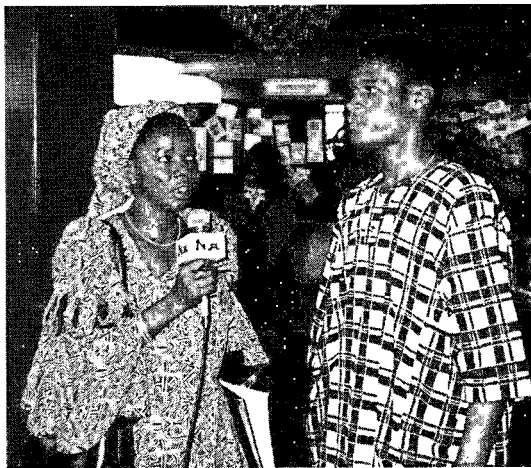
Also gracing the exhibition was a senator from the Nigerian house of Assembly. He was deeply impressed by the show/exhibition.

The two day event was also attended by not less than five media houses; one television station kept showing the exhibition for two weeks in row. It was the biggest stamp exhibition/show to be organized by anyone or any group in Nigeria. It was a huge success, and we were very proud of it.

It was perhaps a different exhibition from those in Europe and in the USA because we did not have many professional stamp dealers coming to rent spaces/stands to exhibit or sell their stamps and stamp wares. We had only one man who had been in the stamp business since the 1950's. In trade for stamps, we gave him some space with tables to exhibit and sell his stamps. Though our club sold many stamp T-shirts, stamp mugs, stamp frames, and some stamp duplicates, the exhibition was more of a philatelic awareness project.

We had the big exhibition from the 7th to the 8th of June 2001. It is little more than a year since we had the exhibition. Since this exhibition, we have had one more exhibition as part of activities marking the opening of a new academic year. But this last and smaller exhibition which took place in the school compound only reminded me about the big exhibition of 2001.

I often like to sit down with club members, friends and even my family members who were at the big exhibition to talk about the event — the kind of which may never take place again in the nearest future. And reminiscing about this exhibition brings me a lot of joy and fond memories, but the possibility that an exhibition like it may never take place again in the nearest future saddens me.



Student being interviewed by press



Very interesting stuff!

Salvatore's Quiz

by Salvatore Palazzolo (#1489)

About The First Quiz

This first quiz was a "general test" about Italian stamps. Italy has a very long and interesting postal history, it was one of first countries using stamps. The first stamp of Italy's Reign was issued on March 1st 1862 during Vittorio Emanuele II's Reign. After him, Italy had two other Kings: Umberto I and Vittorio Emanuele III. All historical events and important celebrations were narrated by stamps.

Also Italy, like other countries, had it's colonial empire and in these countries postal offices were provided with particular stamps. From all Italian colonies I can mention Somaliland, Libya, Eritrea, Albany, Dodecanneso Islands. After World War II, a referendum was held in 1945 where the Italians had to choose between Reign and Republic. The new Republic of Italy was celebrated with the issue of the set know as "Democratica." After this set we had many ordinary stamp sets: "Italia al Lavoro" (1951), "Michelangelolesca" (1961), "Siracusana" (1953), "Castelli" (1980).

Together with stamps used for "ordinary mail" some particular stamps were used for different services: air mail, express, Tax stamps, stamps for packet use, etc. All of these were abolished several years ago.

Answers To The First Test: Italy – The Story of Her Stamps

- 1) In what year were the first Italian stamps issued?
 - a) 1862
- 2) How many Italian stamp types depicted an Italian King?
 - a) 3 (Italy had 3 kings: Vittorio Emanuele II, Umberto I and Vittorio Emanuele III)
- 3) Which of these countries was not an Italian colony?
 - c) Congo (Somaliland and Libya were important Italian colonies, Congo was not. It was occupied by Belgium.)
- 4) The first Victor Emmanuel III Kingdom issue in the 20th century was called:
 - b) Floreale (This set was issued in 1901 (it was made up of 11 stamps), Michetti was another important and long used stamp set and its issue was in 1906. "Imperiale" was used from 1929.)

- 5) The first definitive set of the Italian Republic period was known as:

a) Democratica (It was the first set of Republic period, it was issued in 1945. "Italia al lavoro" (Italy at work) was issued in 1951, "San Giorgio" (Saint Giorgio) is a not very known set, it was issued in 1957 and it was used until 1974.)

- 6) Which of the following sets are the longest, containing the highest number of stamps?

c) Siracusana (This set was used from 1953 to 1977, for 35 years, "Castelli" (Castles) series was used for 22 years, from 1980 to 2002, "Democratica" was used for only 5 years, until it was substituted by "Italy at Work.")

- 7) Under which Italian president were the most commemoratives issued?

c) Scalfaro (from 1992 to 2000) (During his period, 405 different stamps was issued. Cossiga 278 and De Nicola 120.)

- 8) When was the last Italian airmail stamp issued?

b) 1973 (In 1973, the last Air mail stamp was issued. From 1992, all air mail stamps have been abolished.)



Second Test: Aerei, Sempre Importanti Nella Storia

- 1) In 1921 an Italian aviator comanded an expedition accross the Atlantic Ocean. Who was he?
 - a) Vincenzo Biani
 - b) Italo Balbo
 - c) Gabriele d'Annunzio
- 2) Which was the journey of the expedition?
 - a) Rome-Quebec
 - b) Rome-Chicago
 - c) Rome-Washington

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Happy Clients

by Mike Crump (#2126)
ISWSC VP for Charitable Services

The following letter is from one of our happy clients to whom I sent stamps for her Cub Scout den and for some Girl Scouts:

"I just wanted to let you know that I recieved the stamps that you sent for my scouts. WOW!!!

Thank you — they are going to have so much fun with this!!! I really appreciate your willingness to help out. I truly hope I can inspire these children to enjoy a life long hobby—

I also hope that in the years to come as I help other groups along the way, I can call on you again?

Most the fun for me in all this has been getting to "meet" great people like you!!! (Finding a new hobby is a pretty good bonus also.)

I will have the kids send you their thanks also but you won't be hearing from them until after the first of the year!!!

Thank-you again,
Den-mom Sandy"



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- 3) In 1961 a very famous stamp set issued, "Gronchi". President Gronchi made a journey into 3 different South American countries. Which countries?
 - a) Argentina, Uruguay, Peru
 - b) Argentina, Brasile, Peru
 - c) Chile, Venezuela, Per
- 4) The "Gronchi Rosa" stamp was withdraw from selling. Why?
 - a) Date error
 - b) Country's name error
 - c) Country's frontier error
- 5) In 1933 "Zeppelin's Italian Airtrip" was issued. From what country was this airship?
 - a) Germany
 - b) Greece
 - c) Italy



- 6) Why is the Zeppelin Airship remembered?
 - a) It was one of the first that had been used in war
 - b) A terrible accident made hundreds of victims
 - c) It was the first airship that flew around the world into 20 days

- 7) When for the first time Airmail was used?
 - a) 1900
 - b) 1926
 - c) 1917



- 8) This airmail stamp was the first in the world. For what trip was it issued?
 - a) From Turin to Rome
 - b) From Rome to Milan
 - c) From Milan to Palermo

To participate in this quiz:

- 1) Read and answer all the questions correctly
- 2) Send your answers to me as soon as possible when you receive your *Circuit*

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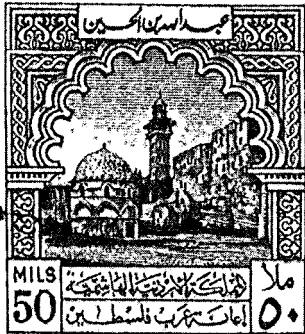
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Whatzit?

by John D. Pruitt (#121)

I am still getting volunteers for help in identifying stamps. Aside from needing someone who can read Chinese, we need someone with knowledge about revenue stamps worldwide, or at least someone with one or more revenue catalogs.



Here's a stamp (left) with no Roman letter inscription except the currency, "mils." It is Jordan RA8, showing the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem. It was issued in 1947, shortly after Jordan had become an independent country (no longer under British mandate) and was still

called Transjordan. According to the Scott Catalogue, the set was "issued to help the Welfare Fund for Arabs

in Palestine. Required on foreign-bound letters in the amount of half the regular postage."

The other stamp pictured (right) is a 1953 Great Britain definitive, Scott #295, with an overprint I cannot identify: The letters S-E-E-B, one letter in each corner. Can anyone tell me what the letters stand for?



If you have stamps that need identification, please send photos or photocopies to:

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My Hometown

by Don Plaskett (#1257)

I was born in Stratford, Ontario, Canada ... a long, long, time ago. Stratford is a nice, quiet city of 20,000 people. It is about 100 miles west of Toronto in the midst of some of the best farmland

anywhere, thanks to many Amish farmers throughout the county. The Avon River flows gently through the city, providing beautiful parks, with graceful swans waiting for the tourists to feed them. It is only natural that a city like Stratford, located on the Avon River, would have some Shakespearian roots. All the schools have a Shakespearian name: Hamlet, Romeo, Juliet and Shakespeare's wife Anne Hathaway.

It wasn't always so beautiful in Stratford. As a teenager in the thirties, not many could afford a college degree. Stratford's main industry, at that time, was the Canadian National Railway (CNR). In their huge boiler shop, they would strip a steam locomotive down to the axles, and rebuild it. The CNR would hire students with only two years of high school to train as an apprentice.

That seemed to be my best choice, so I applied for a job. My mother had heard the telephone company was hiring students, so I applied for work there as well. Lo and behold, the telephone company hired me three days before my application was approved at the CNR!

Steam locomotives disappeared with the advent of the diesel locomotive and the CNR shop was idle for a long time. As the leading industry in the city,



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New Members

#2362 Carlos Romo (Exp 09/30/03)

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A, F, Int, Yrs(54), EE, 1(comm), 2(Andra), 3(Mexico), 7(Mex And), Top(stamp centenaries, stamps on stamps, special events), L(Sp, Fr, It) will translate

#2363 Larry E Veverka (Exp 09/30/03)

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B, F, Int(50), DD, 2, 4, 5, 7(Asia, Cze, Gambia, Iv Coast), 8

#2364- U AM Hong Kok Chin (Exp 09/30/03)

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A, F, Top(flags, maps), Int, Yrs(28), CC, 10(stamps w/ different names), L(Mandarin, Malay) will translate

#2365 Jack Grivas (Exp 09/30/03)

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B(to 1975), F, Int, Yrs(25), EE, 5, 8(ww)

#2366-Y Andrew Titley (Exp 11/30/03)

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B(to 1950), G, Top(astronomy/space), Int, Yrs(4), BB, 1(GB, Eth, Bra), 3, 4, 5, 7(GB, Eth, Bra)

#2367 Ralph Maynard Pascal (Exp 11/30/03)

29 The Spinney, Epsom Downs

Surrey KT18 5QX

Great Britain

A, D, Int(20), EE

#2368 John D. Watson (Exp 11/30/03)

5200 Pointe Dr

East China, MI 48054-4802

#2369 Regi Ausmus (Exp 11/30/03)

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A, F, Top(many), Int, Yrs(43), DD, 1-9

#2370 Charles D. Klein (Exp 11/30/03)

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Denver, CO 80223-4117

#2371 Kathy Garcelon (Exp 11/30/03)

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Moorpark, CA 93021-1824

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A, E, Adv, Yrs(50), EE non-exchanging

#2372 Gus A. Becker (Exp 11/30/03)

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#2373 Jeff Stoddard (Exp 11/30/03)

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B(to 1974), G, Int, Yrs(40), 1(ww), Top(castles, ships)

#2374 Bruce M. Snider (Exp 11/30/03)

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A, G, 10(pre-1950 BrE), Adv, Yrs(56), DD

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August 29-31

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Pasadena Convention Center

November 29-30, 2003

Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas

December 12-14, 2003

Venue to be Announced

December 26-28, 2003



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many had to find employment elsewhere. Stratford had some furniture factories but they were not hiring too many in the 30's. What was the future for Stratford with so many leaving for employment elsewhere??

A young native named Tom Patterson suggested a Shakespearian Theatre. The skeptics were many. The entire city was named for Shakespeare and his plays. Why not? It started in a huge tent on the banks of the Avon River. The idea spread and many citizens responded. Accommodation was a problem, so many

citizens opened their homes to the guests supplied by a local reservation authority.

It wasn't long before a huge building replaced the tent. The stage was designed similar to the Shakespearian Theatre in Stratford-On-Avon in England. Many well known actors like Alec Guinness came to the theatre, attracting tourists from Canada's Midwest and the USA.

One person's dream became a reality and Stratford became a bustling city with many smaller industries and a thriving tourist trade. Canada Post recognized the transformation of Stratford with a stamp (Scott #1827) as part of the Millennium Series.

Reinstated (formerly dropped)

#1583 Young

#2124 Bullen

#2230 Vale

Temporarily Away, Contact HQ

None

Address Changes/Corrections

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Tampa FL 33634-6313

#76 Poling

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Bedford IN 47421-3840

#260 Consenheim

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Toronto ON CANADA M49 1M3

#426 Gross

PO Box 600031

Jacksonville FL 32260-0031

#1098- Johnson

1250 Monroe St

Pecatonica IL 61063-9551

#1506 Gross

PO Box 600031

Jacksonville FL 32260-0031

#1708 Collman

4 Gabriel Ct

Delray Beach FL 33484-5410

#2327 Leiby

2915 21st Ave

Rock Island, IL 61201-5015

#2345 Dant

1775 E Palm Canyon Dr Ste H

Palm Springs CA 92264-1642

Returned Mail - Unknown Address

#2300 Giammarino

New/Changed Email Addresses

#1286 MacLeod

jmacleod@bmic.net

Bad email addresses/Returned emails

(email right one to Tom Fortunato:

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#19 Bailey

jhb10924@hotmail.com

Resigned

#1758 Tagtmeyer

No time to collect.

We Need Your ZIP+4 Number:

#2365 Grivas

Dropped - Dues Expired in November

#130 White

#1798 Jones

#399 Curtis

#2101 Schumer

#402 Stromberg

#2106 Iotov

#548 Edmonds

#2111 Toops III

#997 Mantysalo

#2120 Golovin

#1021 Topper

#2286 Adams

#1272 Lewis

#2288 Brandt

#1364 Navarro

#2290 Stein, Ed. D.

#1390 Jacobs

#2327 Leiby, Sr

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#1626 Ferry Sr

#2331 Barnes

#1636 Wiseman

#2332 Greenough

#1645 Drake

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Auction #25 Report

by Everett M. King (#1389)
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Auction 25 closed on October 12. This was a very successful auction, showing increased interest and activity. The auction had 40 bidders placing 249 separate bids on the 108 available lots. 24 bidders won at least one lot. 73 of the 108 lots sold. This is a nice increase in bidding for some really nice lots. It was the first time in several years that tie high bids were placed on lots and the winner was determined by the earliest postmarked date.

Listing of the number of bidders for each lot, highest bid and prices realized have been mailed to all bidders and sellers participating in the auction. Please contact the auction manager to receive this information if you were not a bidder or seller.

Now is the time to consider entering lots in future auctions. There is always a need for more lots. Auction #27 is now in preparation and there is time to enter your own lots for sale. Contact the auction manager for additional information.



Next Issue: ISWSC Roster

by Tom Fortunato (#379)
VP Public Relations

If all goes well, the next issue of *The Circuit* will be our bi-annual Roster Issue. Don't be looking for the regular article-filled newsletter, as that will come in the May/June issue!

The upcoming roster issue will list you, each member, with your full contact information and collecting codes, unless you have instructed us not to earlier. Because the roster issue will actually be completed by the middle of January, only dues received and processed by headquarters by December 31, 2002 will be accurately reflected in the expiration dates on the roster.

As always, please pay attention to your expiration date found on the *Circuit* mailing envelope.

Winners from the Board Election should be found in the listing of Society Officers on the roster.

