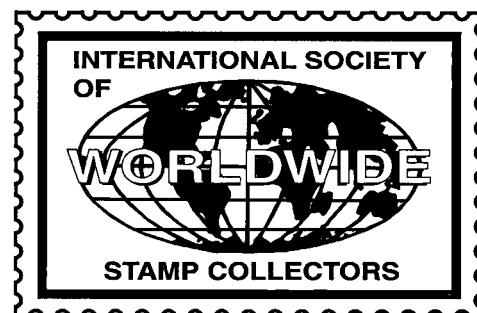


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## President's Column

by **Randy Smith (#1111)**  
**ISWSC President**

**H**appy spring! Okay, so when you're reading this, it will be closer to summer than spring. But I'm writing this on one of the first day's of spring. And it's a gorgeous day in Minnesota – temperatures are in the 60's – one of the warmest days of this early spring season. Although our winter was pretty mild this year, the first few warm days of spring are always welcomed with open arms. While we're all probably itching to get to our outdoor activities for the spring and summer, let's not forget about our stamp collections!

As announced elsewhere in this newsletter, **Rick Simpson (#1703)** and **Ken Wills (#2150)** have been elected to the ISWSC Board. Now that elections are official, the new Board is holding its first on-line meeting. Based on the bios of all the candidates, I'm

sure we're going to have some great discussions and come up with new ideas to help promote and improve the ISWSC.

Speaking of idea, thank you to all who took the time to write a comment (or two!) on the ballot cards. Some ideas (e.g. put the e-mail address of candidates with their bios to allow for follow-up questions) have already spawned other ideas (e.g. include author's e-mail addresses with their articles in the newsletter) that will be implemented immediately. Other ideas will be implemented as suggested, while others will require Board discussion to determine if they can (or should) be implemented.

As always, the Board encourages members to submit suggestions, comments – even complaints, if necessary - to them (see mailing addresses and e-mail addresses on page 2). It is through your input that we can improve our society.

Happy Stamping!

## Call for Nominations

**W**e may have just wrapped up our elections for 2003, but it is already time to ask for nominations for positions to be elected at the end of this year! Nominees are needed for the following positions:

**President:** This person presides at all meetings of the ISWSC and its Board. He/she performs all duties incident to the office as described by *Robert's Rules of Order* and recommends such action as he/she believes will increase the effectiveness of the organization.

**Secretary:** This person keeps a permanent record of all society Board of Director proceedings, including Board meetings and votes. The Secretary also attests to all legal documents of the Society and performs other duties as requested by the Board and/or the Executive Director.

**Vice-President for Public Relations:** This person performs duties with respect to promoting the ISWSC, monitors and assists the ISWSC Regional Representatives, and is responsible for securing an Elections Chairman

**Vice-President for Charitable Programs:** This person serves as Chairperson of the Youth Program and assumes other responsibilities as assigned by the Board. This person also serves in place of the President, should the President be absent or unable to serve.

Elections for these two-year positions will be held in November 2003. To express your interest in a position (or to obtain more information), please contact Randy Smith (#1111), ISWSC President, or Tony Zollo (#856), ISWSC Executive Director. Nominations must be received by September 1, 2003.

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**DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE:**  
**MAY 20, 2003**

# Robert McKenzie, 70 Artist, Engineer

By Emma Stickgold

Globe Correspondent – 12/26/2002

**R**obert McKenzie, an artist and engineer who helped build the New Jersey Turnpike and expand New York's John F. Kennedy Airport, died Dec. 16 from complications of lung cancer at the Mary McCarthy House in East Falmouth. He was 70.

Nicknamed "Papa Skosh" because of his regular use of the word skosh — a small unit of measurement often used by the theater community — Mr. McKenzie was an engineer by day and an artist by night.

After earning a bachelor's degree in engineering from Yale University in 1954, Mr. McKenzie served for five years in the Navy.

When he returned, he worked at several large engineering firms that sent him around the world for work on projects. When JFK Airport was expanded in the late 1960s, Mr. McKenzie helped determine how much earth needed to be removed to make room for the new terminal and runways. He also helped design launch platforms for NASA's Mercury program in Florida, and worked on repairs to the Suez Canal.

Moving to Falmouth in 1974, he built stage sets for the Falmouth Theatre Guild for such shows as "Li'l Abner" and "The Music Man." He also built furniture at home, often mentoring friends of his youngest son, Matthew, in construction projects, teaching them to shingle a house, for example. This group of friends, dubbed the Skosh Organization, would gather at his Falmouth home to come up with solutions for construction dilemmas.

"He could be reserved at first; but, for instance, he was a clerk at the 1st Precinct [polling place in Falmouth], and people were telling me how funny he was there," his wife, Carol Slaughter McKenzie, said yesterday.

In addition to his wife and son Matthew, of Lee, N.H., Mr. McKenzie leaves three other sons, J. Carl Bohnert of Falmouth, Allen Bohnert of West Roxbury, and Andrew of Brookline Village; a sister, Claire M. Darrow of Georgetown, Maine; and four grandchildren.

A burial service was held Monday at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne.

*This story ran on page B13 of the Boston Globe on 12/26/2002. © Copyright 2002 Globe Newspaper Company.*



## 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.*

### Advertising Policy:

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.

### Display Rates (Camera Ready\*) per insertion:

Full page: \$75.00\*\*

Half page: \$40.00\*\*

Quarter page: \$20.00\*\*

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.

\*\*Discounts for three or more insertions of same ad. Yearly display rates available. Write to ISWSC past president Tom Fortunato (see p. 2) for special rates.

### Classified Rates per insertion:

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.**

## Stamp Answer Person Sought

**D**o you like helping people learn more about stamp collecting? Do you enjoy sharing your knowledge with others? If so, you are the person we're looking for!

The ISWSC is seeking a member to serve as the Stamp Answer Man (or Woman!). This person is responsible for replying to people who submit questions via our internet site. Questions range from basic stamp collecting questions (Where do I start? How much is this stamp worth?) to more advanced topics (How do I detect a watermark on my stamps?). The Answer Person need not have all the answers themselves, but should have the ability to track down answers and reply to the questions in a timely manner. For a sample of actual questions and responses, please visit our website at [www.iswsc.org](http://www.iswsc.org), then click on the Stamp Answer Man link.

If this position sounds interesting to you, or if you would like more information, please contact Randy Smith.



## Election Results Announced

**T**he results of the ISWSC elections are in! Congratulations to **Rick Simpson** and **Ken Wills** who were elected to serve on the ISWSC Board for the next two years. A total of 174 ISWSC members participated in the election. The final vote totals are as follows:

<b>Rick Simpson</b> (#1703)	117
<b>Ken Wills</b> (#2150)	99
<b>Andrew Titley</b> (#2366)	70
<b>Noel Routley</b> (#1610)	59

**David Paul** (#59) also received one write-in vote. Thank you to all the candidates who were so willing serve in these important positions! Another big thank you to **Gary Ellis** (#2227) who served as election chairperson!



## Whatzit?

by **John D. Pruitt** (#121)

**I**n my column for January-February I asked for help on Great Britain Scott #295 with the overprint S-E-E-B, one letter in each corner. Boy, did I get help! No fewer than six members responded, for which I am most grateful.

The letters stand for South East Electricity Board, now known as Seeboard, an electric power company in London. Kenneth Wills (#2150) noted that in London in the CE60s his electric bill came with this stamp on it. This would be consistent with others, opinions that these stamps are the equivalent of perfins, to avoid employee pilferage. Other writers, however, thought they were revenue or "receipt" stamps.

A member sent me a large envelope of stamps to identify. One was this, picturing the collection of rubber sap. The second character at the top is found on all Japanese stamps, and here we have a World War II Japanese occupation stamp. If you look at the "Illustrated Identifier" at back of the Scott Catalogues, you will find in

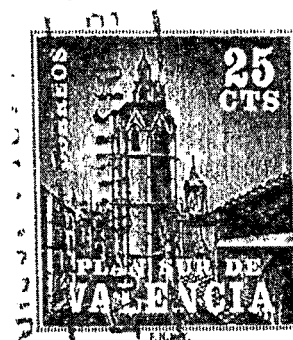


the "Oriental Inscriptions" the various occupied country names illustrated. This one is Malaya N35. As a collector of postally-used stamps only, I have found all Japanese occupation stamps hard to get.

"Plan sur de Valencia" stamps frequently show up in mixtures. Unfortunately they are not listed in Scott. My internet search ultimately revealed they are postal tax stamps compulsory on all mail from the city of Valencia. The proceeds are used for a huge project to rechannel the Turia River to prevent flooding in the city. The new channel is south (sur) of the city.

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

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# Book Review

by Ken Bonvallet #409

*Wellsted, Rossiter, and Flower: The Stamp Atlas, published by Facts on File, 1986*

From the Introduction: "It is almost impossible to assemble a collection of stamps without some knowledge of or interest in the political history of the country or countries by which the stamps were issued."

And I have found no better single reference for general information about stamp-issuing entities than this book. Organized by continent, it shows for each country historical maps, mail routes, first year that stamps were used, first year that stamps were issued, a few stamps in full size and often in color, past and current currencies, and text about general and postal history.

Europe gets more complete historical treatment by organizing the chapter into ten historical periods. And dead countries are included: cities, territories, subdivisions, and old names of modern entities.

The maps are the real strength of this book. For example, the complex history of Poland's borders before World War II are illustrated here.

Another map shows the changes in Poland's borders during and after World War II. Other complex situations are clearly mapped: Italian states, areas occupied by Germany during World War II, the Austro-Hungarian Empire, the changing borders of Paraguay as it warred with its neighbors, the Napoleonic Empire, the many Pacific island colonies, China treaty ports, and the shifting borders and names in Africa during and after colonization.

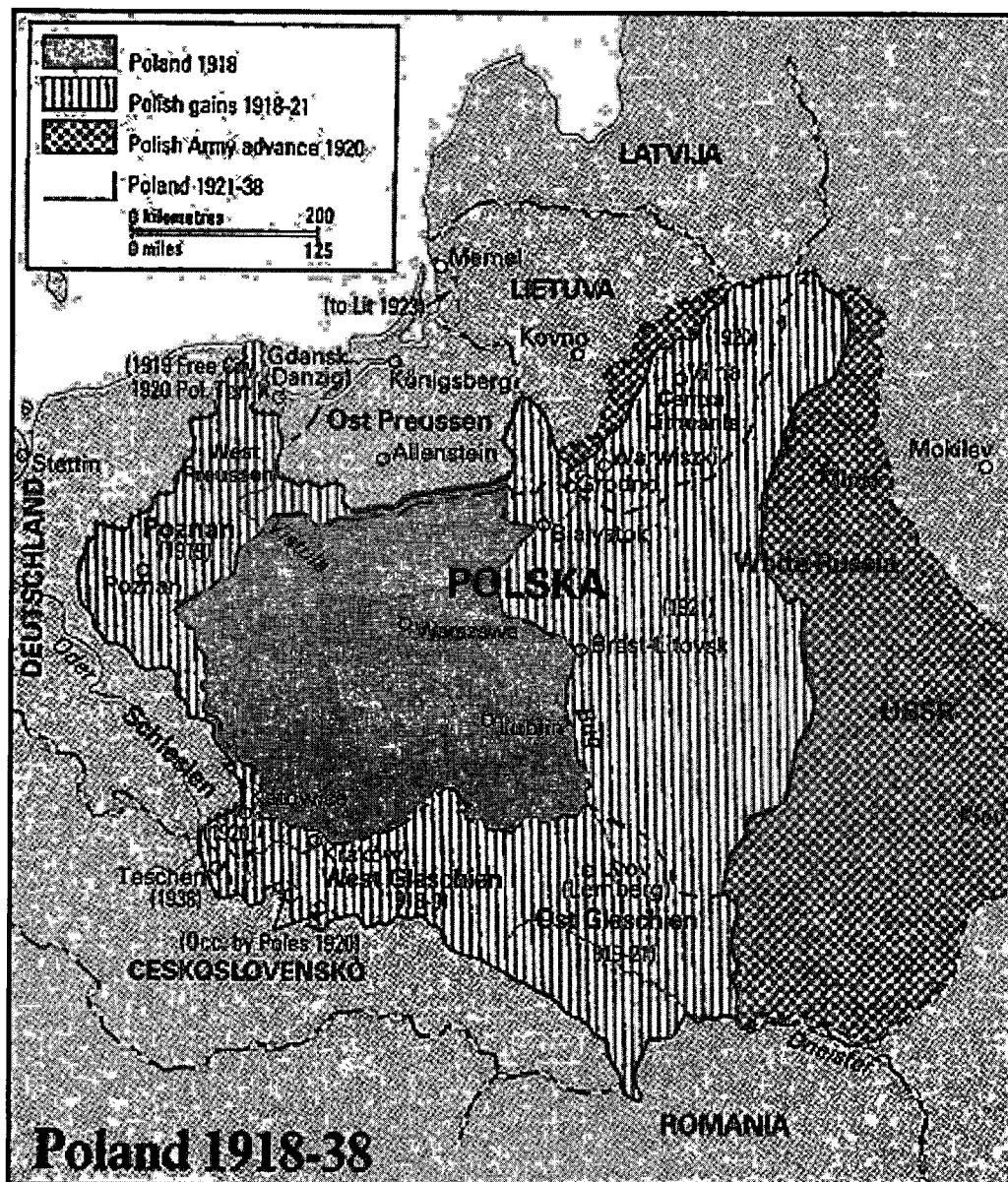
Finally, as you are

looking for a specific page, you will encounter miscellaneous postal history related photos and drawings. Scattered throughout are postal history-related pictures, such as mail carriers, postal transport methods, post office buildings, and collection boxes. For example, as you are browsing through the Pacific Islands, you will find a photo of the Post box outside the Hotel Metropole in Fiji.

Now for the bad news: the book is out of print, although I had no trouble finding a copy through a used book dealer. Also, the Sandafayre website:

<http://www.sandafayre.com/atlas/>

has the entire book except for some maps and all the postal history photos and drawings. Even if you own the book, this site gives access to the maps for downloading. You can buy this book on CD, updated and corrected, from Sandafayre for about £17.



# ISWSC SWAP CIRCUIT MEMBERSHIP FORM

To join the ISWSC Swap Circuit program, please complete this form and return it with your fees to:

Randy Smith PO Box 21115 Eagan, MN 55121 USA

(PLEASE PRINT)

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

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ If this is a new address, please check here.

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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

# CIRCUITS REQUESTED<sup>1</sup>: \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ USA/CANADA MEMBERSHIP

☐ INTERNATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

☐ STAMPS

☐ MONEY<sup>2</sup>

MONETARY FEE ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

US \$2.00 (or equivalent in mint stamps)

STAMP FEE ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## PLEASE SPECIFY QUANTITY OF CIRCUITS REQUESTED:

### LARGE CIRCUITS

The fee for up to 4 Large Circuits is 100 large stamps or \$4.00. .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The fee for up to 9 Large Circuits is 200 large stamps or \$8.00. .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### SMALL CIRCUITS

The fee for up to 4 Small Circuits is 100 small stamps or \$4.00. .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The fee for up to 9 Small Circuits is 200 small stamps or \$8.00. .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### CANCELLED TO ORDER (CTO) CIRCUITS

The fee for up to 4 CTO Circuits is 100 CTO stamps or \$4.00. .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(4 circuit maximum.)

### SUPER CIRCUITS

The fee for up to 4 Super Circuits is 200 large stamps or \$8.00. .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

The fee for up to 9 Super Circuits is 400 large stamps or \$16.00. .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Totals: \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup> This is the number of circuits (per type) you want to be on at the same time. USA/Canada circuits take approximately 1 month to circulate, International circuits take approximately 1½ months to circulate.

<sup>2</sup> Checks must be in US funds and should be made payable to ISWSC. Cash is sent at your own risk.

Overpayment of fees, if any, should be (check one): ☐ Donated to ISWSC ☐ Returned

Questions? Write to the address above or send an e-mail to [rasmory4@earthlink.net](mailto:rasmory4@earthlink.net).

THANK YOU!!

# Put Your Duplicates To Work

by Randy Smith (#1111)

**H**ave you ever wondered how you can put your duplicate stamps to work for you in order to fill some empty spaces in your collection? If so, the Swap Circuit program, one of the many benefits of being an ISWSC member, is for you!

Here's how the program works. Participants are grouped into a four or five member circuit. The first member of the group is sent a routing sheet (containing the names and addresses of the other members of the circuit and the manager who creates the circuits) and a packet of all different stamps. The first member selects the stamps he/she wants, then replaces them with an equal number of quality all different stamps. The routing sheet and the stamp packet is then mailed to the next member of the circuit.

The process continues until the last member receives the packet and makes his/her swaps. Then the packet is mailed back to the manager of the circuit, along with mint postage for sending out the next circuit. The manager then changes the order of the members, creates a new packet of stamps, and sends it back out to the participants. Once all members of the circuit have been in each position on the circuit (from first to last), a new circuit is formed with a new grouping of participants.

There are currently four circuit types to select from — Regular, Small, CTO, and Super:

- The Regular circuits consist of 100 stamps that are considered "large" in size — more than 1" x 1 1/2" (approximately) in size. Because the Regular circuits are the most popular, participants are broken into two groups based

on their last name: A-I and J-Z.

- Small circuits, containing 100-150 stamps are just the opposite of the Regular circuits — those stamps smaller than 1" x 1 1/2" in size.
- CTO, or Cancelled To Order, circuits contain 100 stamps and are the only circuit where CTO stamps can be traded.
- The last circuit type, the Super circuit, is the same as the Regular circuits, however each stamp packet contains 200 stamps instead of 100.

Stamps in all circuits must be off paper, but they may be mint or used, hinged or unhinged.

In order for the program to operate, annual fees are charged to Swap Circuit participants. (The term "fee" is used to distinguish them from the separate dues charged annually to be an ISWSC member. ISWSC membership is required to participate in any ISWSC program.) 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.

If you want to start putting your duplicates to work for you, please join the Swap Circuit program! To join, 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 Randy Smith (postal and e-mail addresses are listed on page 2).



## Swap Circuit Renewals Sent

by Randy Smith (#1111)

**D**uring February and March, Swap Circuit renewal forms were sent to all current Swap Circuit participants. Again this year, there were no increases in fees for participating in the program.

Due to the disruption in service some members experienced last year, members who participated in the Super Circuits and/or the J-Z Regular Circuits were given a 100 stamp fee credit toward their

renewal fees. There was no disruption of service to the A-I Regular Circuits, Small Circuits, or the CTO Circuits.

If you are a current Swap Circuit member and did not receive a renewal form, please contact the Swap Circuit Coordinator, Randy Smith. Contact addresses (postal and e-mail) are provided on page 2 of each issue of *The Circuit*.



# Sales Circuit Update

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



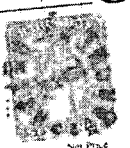







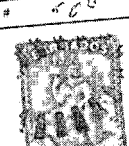

**H**ello again fellow members! Hope all of you are enjoying the outdoors as spring has finally sprung here! The birds are singing and the deer have finally stopped feasting on the shrubs next to the house!

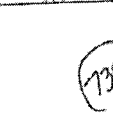

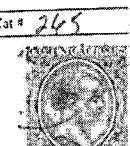

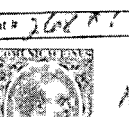




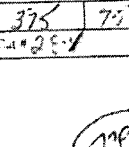
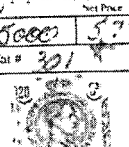
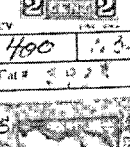
For this, my second column, I want to inform you that I've received a couple of new participants in the sales circuits. I welcome them and await even more to follow. The sales circuits are for the use and benefit of every member, whether participating as a buyer, seller, or both! So why not "COME ON DOWN" as a famous TV showman suggests!

You may just find that elusive common 20 cent'er to complete a set, or find a better copy to replace a space filler. These are just two of the many things to look for among the sales books that you'll receive in a circuit. Almost like a treasure hunt in the setting of your very own home!

Now on to the recent submissions by sellers. For the past 3 months I've received the following.

Group 1      4 books      250.00 net

Grp3					
Cat # 100	Cat # 160	Cat # 700	Cat # 140	Cat # 330	Cat # 410
					
CV Net Price \$10.00 \$4.00	CV Net Price \$12.00 \$5.00	CV Net Price \$18.00 \$3.00	CV Net Price \$12.00 \$2.00	CV Net Price \$12.00 \$1.25	CV Net Price \$11.00 \$1.00
Cat # 200	Cat # 210	Cat # 220	Cat # 450	Cat # 460	Cat # 540
					
CV Net Price \$10.00 \$10.00	CV Net Price \$11.00 \$9.00	CV Net Price \$13.00 \$1.00	CV Net Price \$13.00 \$4.50	CV Net Price \$12.00 \$2.50	CV Net Price \$13.00 \$7.00
Page 1 Net Value \$ 33.00					

Grp4					
Cat # 947	Cat # 260	Cat # 265	Cat # 268	Cat # 268	Cat # 272
					
CV Net Price \$5.00 \$2.00	CV Net Price \$4.75 \$2.00	CV Net Price \$2.75 \$1.00	CV Net Price \$3.75 \$1.00	CV Net Price \$5.00 \$3.75	CV Net Price \$4.00 \$1.50
Cat # 272	Cat # 274	Cat # 274	Cat # 284	Cat # 301	Cat # 302
					
CV Net Price \$6.50 \$2.00	CV Net Price \$9.50 \$2.00	CV Net Price \$6.25 \$2.00	CV Net Price \$4.50 \$1.00	CV Net Price \$45.00 \$1.00	CV Net Price \$3.75 \$1.00
Page 2 Net Value \$ 33.00					

Group 2	1 book	103.00
Group 3	10 books	1,200.00
Group 4	11 books	825.00
Group 5	2 books	250.00
Group 6	3 books	125.00
Group 7	2 books	130.00
Group 8	none	
Group 9	none	
Group 10	3 books	95.00
Group 11	5 books	300.00
Group 12	14 books	540.00
Group 13	12 books	1,300.00

The net value for each group is only approximate, and some books will fit into 2 or 3 groups! Total new books submitted for the first three months of this year comes to 47, and I welcome more submissions from you sellers as the inventory is now down to around 310 books!

Last, but not least, I have two more scans of a single page from Group 3 and Group 4. These represent a small sample of what is currently in the inventory to peek your interest.

Group 3 contains books from Great Britain and

the British Commonwealth. The scan will show the first page from a book that contains the country of BARBADOS with a net value of \$167.50. This is a recent submission that hasn't been sent out yet!

Group 4 of the sales circuit contain books from Western Europe & Colonies. The scan shows a page from a book of SPAIN with a net value of \$209.60. This one has been out already for two circuits!

That's it for now folks, hope to hear from some more of you in the near future. Take care and keep on stampin'.



# The ISWSC Making a Difference

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

**H**ere is an email received on Thursday, November 7, 2002. This "thank you" is a result of the ISWSC Charitable Services program:

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 Neeley*



## Articles Needed

**W**e need you...to submit an article or item of interest to *The Circuit*!!! As an ISWSC member, you are encouraged to contribute to *The Circuit* because each member has his/her unique perspective to collecting worldwide stamps. Please consider writing an article about your specific area of interest.

Be sure to include your name and member number when submitting material for publication in the newsletter. You can contact the editor at the address listed on page 2.



## What Do You Think?

I have been taking part in all the circuits for many years and have found them to be an excellent source for stamps. The circuits have been designed to serve different types of stamps, i.e. large, small & CTO's. This seems very simple, but does not satisfy all. What I believe is wanted is different definitions to replace large and small.

Let's try "commemorative" and "definitive" and disregard the size as both come in all sizes and values. Those collectors who joined the large circuit were usually looking for commemorative stamps, do they want to miss out on the small ones? I think not. The opposite is also true. No change needed in the CTO's. Hopefully, this letter will draw some positive or negative comments on the matter.

While I am getting myself into not water, I may as well add a complaint. We are lucky enough to have some very dedicated volunteers who spend much of their valuable time sorting and preparing these packets with limited resources. It's time our members realized this and stopped complaining about the condition and quality of the stamps, etc. We have to remember that we put the stamps in in the first place, so if you do not like the quality change it and don't complain to the circuit "Captain" — it's not his circuit, it's YOURS. Where else can one obtain stamps for the price of a letter??

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all the directors, representatives and circuit captains. You all do an excellent job. I wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely yours,  
John Bunker (#896)  
*jonbunk@yahoo.ca*

Box 538  
Bellevue, Alberta T0K 0C0  
CANADA

## New Members

**#2381 Joseph Mel** (Exp 3/31/2004)

5332 Cumberland Ave  
Montreal, PQ H4V 2P1 Canada  
Email: j.mel@sympatico.ca  
*A, G, Int(60), EE, 7, L(Fr, It, Sp)*

**#2382 Jack Urish** (Exp 3/31/2004)

1105 Levee St  
Dallas, TX 75207-7203  
*B(to 1965), F, Int(5), DD, 1, 2, 3, 5(Hungary), 6, 7, 8, L(Sp), will translate*

**#2383 Sir Rodney Hartwell** (Exp 3/31/2004)

PO Box 75  
Daggett, CA 92327-0075  
*A, G, Adv(53), EE, 1, 3(Aus-Lombardy-Venetia), Top (Caesar, King Peter II of Yug, cats, deer, bears, stagbeetles)*

**#2384-D Joseph F. Jones** (Exp 3/31/2004)

PO Box 6275  
Maryville, TN 37802-6275  
*A, G, Int(31), DD non-exchanging*

**#2385 Francis C. Stumpf, Jr** (Exp 3/31/2004)

102 Susan Ave  
Willow Sreet, PA 17584-9737  
Email: fstumpf@vmac.edu  
*C, Adv(45), DD, 7(Aus, Cze, GB), 10(animals, military, religion, buildings, banknotes)*

**#2386 Robert J. Thompson** (Exp 5/31/2004)

55 Main St  
Limerick, ME 04048-3508  
*A, F, Adv(50), EE, 1-2-6(US), 8*

## Reinstated (formerly dropped)

**#403D Swisher**  
**#2106 Iotov**

## Temporarily Away, Contact HQ

*None*

## Address Changes/Corrections

**#68 Bothell**  
23825 15th Avenue SE, Unit 10  
Bothell WA 98021-8807

**#365 Maddock**  
1355 Ogden St Apt 4  
Denver, CO 80218-2807

**#385 Magyar**  
14250 Royal Harbour Ct #1213  
Fort Myers, FL 33908-6574

**#796 Howedel**  
Unit 30612, Box R-160  
APO AE 09154-0160

**#1098 Johnson**  
1250 Monroe St  
Pecatonica, IL 61063-9551

**#1257 Plaskett**  
100 Ocean View Dr

Crawfordville, FL 32327-4660

**#1635 Van Hoorn**  
PO Box 160  
Columbia Falls, ME 04623-0160

**#2300 Giammarino**  
new zip: 11563-1214

**#2306 Obninsky**  
21453 Shainsky Rd  
Sonoma CA 95476-8214

**#2376 Berg**  
3199 81st St E Inver  
Grove Heights, MN 55076-4548

## Returned Mail - Unknown Address

**#1708 Collman**

## New/Changed Email Addresses

<b>#23 Bland</b>	lbland@consolidatedunion.com
<b>#193 Jizba</b>	jizba@verizon.net
<b>#365 Maddock</b>	everett@everettmaddock.com
<b>#879 Fisher</b>	rockstar@main.nc.us
<b>#938 Bray</b>	thebrays@iworks.net
<b>#2166 Blair</b>	rhblair@earthlink.net
<b>#2342 Miller</b>	rmiller21@woh.rr.com

## Bad email addresses/Returned emails

(email right one to Tom Fortunato:

stampmf@frontiernet.net)

<b>#821 Vickers</b>	jlvic@msn.com
<b>#2182 Voss</b>	mbvoss@chorus.net

## Resigned

<b>#1774 Murphy</b>	financial constraints
<b>#2233 Courtis</b>	retirement
<b>#2340 Victores</b>	no reason

## We Need Your ZIP+4 Number:

<b>Press Parker</b>
<b>#181 Sandholdt</b>
<b>#626 Shupp</b>
<b>#635 George</b>
<b>#1134 Williams</b>
<b>#2226 Derks</b>
<b>#2336 Grivas</b>

## Dropped - Dues Expired Jan/Feb

<b>#19 Bailey</b>
<b>#172 Johannsen</b>
<b>#195 Wilhelm</b>
<b>#227 Drury</b>
<b>#231 Brightman</b>
<b>#348 Di Como</b>
<b>#375 Domingo</b>
<b>#501 Zelenak</b>
<b>#523 Bernstein</b>
<b>#529 Kleintank</b>
<b>#821 Vickers</b>
<b>#850 Rosenfeld</b>

#1058 Silvester  
 #1235 Duffy  
 #1305 Ebels  
 #1363 Koller  
 #1429 Chastven  
 #1467 Maloney  
 #1635 Van Hoorn  
 #1760 Selkow  
 #2143 Sarhan  
 #2303 Sarchet  
 #2333 Reis  
 #2335 Livesay  
 #2336 Scott  
 #109 Hoover  
 #131 Newkirk  
 #388 Rowe  
 #428 Cox  
 #705 Schussman  
 #808 Luong  
 #877 Houser  
 #889 Elam  
 #1100 MacPherson  
 #1336 Jian Min  
 #1489 Palazzolo  
 #1503 Miller  
 #1504 Stuff I Like  
 #1506 Gross  
 #1510 Hitt Jr.  
 #1517 Sheridan  
 #1528 Universal Union of Collectors

#1570 Howe  
 #1659 Craven  
 #1859 Callanan  
 #2182 Voss  
 #2238 Bienvenu  
 #2239 Thompson  
 #2298 Moroz  
 #2300 Giammarino III  
 #2309 Newport  
 #2316 Alderson  
 #2338 Jacobson  
 #2341 Lewis  
 #2343 Poland

### We need to update our records!

With a large membership, our records are always being updated. It has been a long time since we updated basic information, such as phone numbers, APS and ATA membership numbers, and age. We'd like your assistance in improving the data base, so send this information along by mail or email to:

Tom Fortunato  
 42 Maynard St,  
 Rochester, NY 14615-2022  
 USA  
 Email: stampmf@frontiernet.net



## Coins & Stamps – Supplies & Collectibles

*The following is a list of 2003 coin and stamp expos presented by Bick International. For bourse applications and general information about the shows, please contact:*

*Bick International, P.O. Box 854, Van Nuys, CA 91408 USA*

### **Pasadena Convention Center**

May 2-4, 2003

### **Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas**

May 23-25, 2003

### **Cathedral Hill, San Francisco**

June 20-21, 2003

### **Venue to be Announced**

June 27-29, 2003

### **Venue to be Announced**

August 1-3, 2003

### **Sahara Hotel, Las Vegas**

August 15-17, 2003

### **Pasadena Convention Center**

August 29-31

### **Cathedral Hill, San Francisco**

September 12-13, 2003

### **River Palms Hotel, Laughlin, Nevada**

October 31-November 2, 2003

### **Pasadena Convention Center**

November 28-30, 2003

### **Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas**

December 12-14, 2003

*If you wish to send newspapers or other material for FREE giveaways at any or all shows, please send them directly to the facility location (except Las Vegas) marked "ISRAEL I. BICK, C/O COIN & STAMP EXPO, HOLD FOR ARRIVAL". Addresses of all exhibition facilities are available upon request.*



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**BUY, SELL, TRADE:** A classified ad is a great way to get your message out to other ISWSC members! See page 3 for advertising information. [5-6/03]

## Meet Us in Columbus This August!

**O**hio has always been a state active in philately, which is probably why centrally located Columbus was chosen as the site for Stampshow, scheduled for August 7-10. This show is annually sponsored by the American Philatelic Society and is the largest gathering of stamp collectors nationally.

ISWSC Vice President of Public Relations, Tom Fortunato, will again be hosting a meeting for all ISWSC members during Stampshow 2003. Our meeting has typically been scheduled in the afternoon on Saturday (i.e., August 9), but as of press time APS hasn't been able to confirm this with us.

We will try to give you an update in the July-August issue of *The Circuit*. But make your plans to attend the show and our meeting now! Write or email Tom who can keep you posted as to when something is finalized.



## Where in the World?

**D**oes anyone know what happened to our Regional Representative from Cuba? We have not heard from him in quite some time and are concerned.

If you have heard from Adrian Portuondo recently, please contact one of the ISWSC officers and let us know. His last known address is:

Adrian Portuondo (#952)

Apartado 9009

Santiago 90900 – CUBA

We would appreciate any information concerning Mr. Portuondo. Thank you!



## Where to Send What

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Send to Jennifer Arnold (see above) via USPS, fax or email. When emailing graphics for publication, please use a higher resolution (150 dpi). Please contact the Editor if you have any questions about format.