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USPCS Support for Research

At the society's annual meeting at ARIPEX in February 2010, the Board of Directors agreed to an alliance with the newly formed Institute for Analytical Philately. Explicit in this agreement was that the USPCS would consider providing partial funding for technical research projects dealing with U.S. classic issues. At our Stampshow meeting in August, the board subsequently agreed to provide half the funding of a \$5,000 project titled *Insight into Papermaking and Ink Chemistry of United States Three-Cent Bank Note Issues*. The researcher we support is Dr. Alexandra Pekarovicova, Co-Director of The Center for Ink and Printability Research in the Department of Paper Engineering at the Western Michigan University.

Our current understanding of the Bank Note issue papers is largely limited to qualitative descriptions such as "thin, hard paper", "thick, soft paper" or "intermediate paper". Thus two philatelists examining the same paper might describe it differently, or use terms such as "Continental paper" or "American paper" despite significant observable variations in each.

Based on more than 400 examples kindly donated by USPCS Director Jim Allen, Dr. Pekarovicova will perform the quantitative analyses of stamps from the National, Continental, and American Bank Note Co. issues of 1870 through 1881. The work is ongoing, and comprises two

main areas of investigation. The first is spectral and chemical analyses of inks, and explanations of color differences in observed shades, as well as their chemical differences. The second is paper characterization: thickness, "bendability", fiber analysis (composition, coarseness), and roughness of the printing surface.

The project will be completed later this year. Results will be published in the paper engineering literature, as well as in *The Chronicle*. This study will be a litmus test, along with the Institute for Analytical Philately, for the first research project performed by professionals. It could later lead to the funding of further projects including printing inks (and shades), cancels, and a host of other philatelic investigations..

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THE EDITOR'S CORNER



Our philatelic world is changing, as we move along into the 21st century. The application of modern technology to our hobby has resulted such innovations as the Web Chronicle, a research and information retrieval tool unimaginable only

a few years ago. Philately has also moved into the world of social networking, and now in this issue of the CHATTER you can read about the proposed application of the scientific method to the analysis and understanding of the U.S. Bank Note issues. It's clear that these steps are just the beginning.

None of these developments, as striking and important as they are, will diminish in the least the enjoyment that we derive from philately. Many of us began collecting stamps as youngsters and can still remember that first album and packet of stamps. Modern communication and technology can and will expand our world, but there will still be that same thrill of acquisition of a new stamp or cover for our collection. That won't be lost, and what we will gain is an ever increasing knowledge and understanding of our philatelic treasures.

Dan

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The *Web Chronicle* Soars and the Society is in Great Shape

WEB CHRONICLE

Every report, and there have been many, speak to how happy the members are with the new Web Chronicle application on our web site. Simply go to www.uspcs.or and click on “Members’ Domain” at the top of the home page. Then log in by using your Route Agent number as the Member ID and use your 9-digit zip code (including the dash [-]) as the Password. Both are found on the mailing label of the envelope containing *The Chronicle* and *The Chatter*. If you have a problem, please send an email to the Members’ Domain Chair Michael Heller, mi.heller@verizon.net for help.

Using the *Web Chronicle* opens new doors to doing research on the U.S. classic issues and postal history. It allows our members to access, read and search all of the issues. It is web based and there is no need for the time consuming loading and unloading of CDs or DVDs. It can be accessed from anywhere in the world that you have an Internet connection. You are able to read entire issues, in full color, using the “Browse” feature. The “Search” feature engine allows members to look for entire articles, by author, year or specific issue. As well, one can search for words (any words, not just key words) or use advanced search features and/or Boolean operators. For example, you can search for “Eubanks” and “1847”, occurring in the same document, or, within 25 words of each other. Most ads will be searchable, depending on font recognition. It is quite amazing.

You can download an article to your computer in a PDF format, and the PDF reader is free and available to be downloaded from the Adobe web site, although many members already have the reader. The application is very powerful and easy to use. “Try it, you’ll like it”, as the old Alka Seltzer ads once proclaimed. It is creating a buzz throughout the philatelic world.

SOCIETY’S HEALTH

As of our fiscal year ending June 30th 2010, the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society is in excellent financial shape. Our recent fund raising efforts for the *Web Chronicle* project (and the *Web U.S. Stampless Cover Catalog* project— currently underway) have been first-rate, as pledges towards these assignments have covered costs so far. Needless to say, if you have yet to contribute towards these fine projects, we would appreciate your help; gifts such as we have received to date enable us to offer access to our membership as a benefit of belonging. Contact me for info if you wish, wade@pencom.com, and put USPCS on the subject line.

Membership is at it highest since 2001, at 1136, which is surprising in these economic times. Our assets are at a decade high, largely due to self-sufficiency of *The Chatter* and *The Chronicle*. In recent years, the revenues from the advertisers have fully covered the cost of printing and mailing the

publications, whereas before, most if not all of our dues were spent therewith. Lately, we have been able to apply that difference towards our infrastructure expense.

All of this good news would not possible without the hard work of board members and volunteers who contribute their time, energy and experience to the betterment our Society. I am saying this because it is a fact and not to make undeserving people feel good. The Society is indebted to those who largess exemplifies the spirit of giving of themselves, towards something in which they believe; to you, a heartfelt thanks!

We look to continued support from our membership, whom we are here to serve.

Respectfully submitted,
Wade E. Saadi

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APS STAMP SHOW 2010

AUGUST 12-15 • RICHMOND, VIRGINIA



2010 Ashbrook Cup awarded to James Pullin



Vice-President John Barwis congratulates Jim Pullin

The Stanley B. Ashbrook Cup is awarded to authors of articles, books, or other studies concerning United States postal history from the Colonial Period to 1894. This year it is presented to James R. Pullin for his book, *North Atlantic Packets, 1818-1840: Sailing Departures and Arrivals*.

Before steamships plied the North Atlantic, American sailing packets dominated the sea lanes from New York to London and Liverpool carrying a majority of the mail, passengers, and specie transported between the United States and Great Britain.

Frustrated in his attempts to identify the ships and sailing dates for the early transatlantic covers in his

collection, Jim built a database of Sailing Schedules from data in *Lloyd's List* and *Lloyd's Register* as well as period newspapers. Years of archival and museum research produced the 108-page data table at the heart of this volume. It lists the arrival and departure dates at New York, London, and Liverpool for ships of the Black Ball, Red Star, Blue Swallowtail, Red Swallowtail, Dramatic, and Black X packet lines from the organization of the first packet line in 1818 and continues until steamships began to capture the mail and passenger business around 1840. With his research, Jim has extended and complemented the work of George Hargest, Walter Hubbard, and Richard Winter by gathering data for the ships that preceded their studies of transatlantic mail in the age of steam. Although the sailing tables are useful by themselves, the other two-thirds of the book provides a historical context for appreciating maritime postal history in general and transatlantic mail in the age of sail in particular. Accounts of the history and development of the six shipping lines include details about individual vessels such as their fate in storms, or groundings. Other chapters briefly describe postal rates and markings; the growth and development of the ports in New York, Liverpool, and London; ship construction and technology; along with various economic, political, and military considerations of the time. Collectors of early transatlantic stampless mail now have a tool for better understanding their covers along with a historical context that provides enjoyable reading.

2010 Chase Cup awarded to George Sayers

The Dr. Carroll Chase Cup is awarded to authors of articles, books, or other studies concerning United States stamps issued prior to 1894. This year it is presented to George G. Sayers for his article, "Constant Plate Varieties of the 1873 Official Stamps" serialized in *The Chronicle* from 2008 through 2010.

The steel engraving printing technology, which transferred images from hardened dies onto softened printing plates, "left the plate vulnerable to surface damages which retain ink and print extraneous marks" thus, producing the constant plate varieties, which are the subjects of this study. In his series of articles, each one devoted to the plate varieties on the stamps issued for use by a particular department, Sayers has drawn upon published information as well as studies and high-resolution scans privately circulated among specialist collectors of this material. Several of the varieties, particularly from the Justice, State, and Treasury Departments are illustrated in the philatelic literature for the first time. A number of long-standing errors in the philatelic literature regarding the Navy Department issues have been corrected. Many of the Post Office Department varieties discussed are not currently listed in standard philatelic catalogs. Of particular importance is his November 2009 article, "Production Plate Varieties and the Nature of Opaque Inks, with Notes on the Post Office 'Scummy' Printings and the Steam-Press Printings of the 2¢ Post Office Stamp." Here George applies his knowledge of chemistry, physics, and 19th century printing technology to examine the varieties found among the Post Office officials. However, his research conclusions have implications for all students of the bank note era stamps for understanding the printing technology of that era. Sayers' articles not only add substantially to his privately printed *Departmentals Plate Varieties* (2005) and summarize the state of knowledge with regard to plate varieties for the 1873 Official stamps; he has also pointed the way forward suggesting areas in which other collectors might continue this work.

Attention Facebook Friends:

Be sure to sign up as a "friend" of the Society's Facebook page. After you log on to your Home page, enter "U.S. Philatelic Classics Society" in the Search space at the very top of the page. When the Society page pops up, click "Like" to join the group. You'll find many Society friends and other interesting things. Please give it a look.

Steve Pacetti, Page Administrator

USPCS President Saadi named to the Roll of Distinguished Philatelists

The Roll of Distinguished Philatelists was established in 1921 by the Philatelic Congress of Great Britain with the approval of His Majesty King George V who was the first Signatory. An invitation to sign the Roll is regarded as the world's pre-eminent philatelic honour. 352 philatelists from 40 countries have achieved this distinction over the past 89 years. There are at present 77 Signatories from 25 countries; Great Britain, 15; United States of America, 12; France, Germany, and Italy, 5; Sweden and Switzerland, 4; Belgium, 3; Australia, Canada, Finland, New Zealand, Norway, Singapore and Thailand, 2; and Austria, Brazil, Colombia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Israel, Japan, Korea, Luxembourg, and Spain, 1 each.

The Signing Ceremony took place on Friday 23rd July at Leamington Spa Town Hall during the 2010 Philatelic Congress of Great Britain with more than 100 philatelists and guests in the Victorian hall including Cllr. Robert Cunliffe, the Town Mayor.



Wade Saadi (USA) signing the Roll accompanied by his sponsor, Bob Odenweller and the Keeper of the Roll, Christopher King.



The RDP Placquette awarded to every Signatory

Wade Saadi has formed and exhibited a number of major studies of US classics. He obtained a gold medal for his study of 'US issues from 1851 to 1868' at the St Petersburg exhibition in 2007 and has also exhibited a study of varieties of the 1847 issue at Pacific 1997. In 2003 he presented the Sir Daniel Cooper lecture to the Royal Philatelic Society London on the first issues of the United States. Based on the research in his collections Wade has contributed a number of papers on specific aspects of US classic stamps and for 13 years has been the 1847 issue Section Editor of *The Chronicle*. He also wrote a three part article for the *American Philatelist* to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the 1847 issue and was awarded the Chase Cup by the US Philatelic Classics Society. *(from the RDP press release)*



In the front row are the new RDP Signatories; Wade E Saadi (USA); Dr Hugo Goeggel (Switzerland and Colombia); Cornelis (Kees) Adema (Netherlands and USA) Dr Giancarlo Morolli (Italy); Brian Trotter (Great Britain) and Dr Wolf Hess (Germany). Their sponsors are in the back row.



USPCS BADGES

The USPCS has made available to Members, Society Badges. The design shows the Society logo (based upon the USPCS Medal), which contains an image of the 3¢ 1851 stamp, the subject of "The Three Cent 1851-57 Unit", the progenitor of the Classics Society. Order one today and wear them with pride!

Pricing & Ordering: The Member price for a badge is \$12.50 domestic postpaid, \$13.50 international postpaid. Please allow 4-6 weeks for delivery. Checks and/or Money Orders (drawn on U.S. funds) shall be made payable to "The USPCS, Inc." and mailed to: USPCS Product Order PO BOX 750368 New Orleans, LA 70175-0368 All inquires should come to Stephen Pacetti at sbp57@comcast.net or (303) 985-2475. To order online via Paypal, please visit the Classics Store . *Specifications:* There are two lines available for First Name/Last Name, and, if you wish, a title (e.g, Director, Member, Life Member). /NOTE: Some names will take up the two lines if they are very long./ You may order a badge with a standard pin back or a magnet back. (CAUTION: The magnets are quite powerful for their size and MUST NOT be worn by any person(s) with a pacemaker or other implanted medical device. Additionally, if the badge is placed close to the magnetic strip of a credit card or hotel room key, the encoded data will be erased.) When ordering, remember to specify First Name, Last Name, and/or Title if desired.

Thank You !

While other philatelic societies are struggling with declining membership it is my pleasure to announce that the US Philatelic Classic Society has again exceeded the previous years, of this century, with more new memberships. In the last Chronicle we thanked Jim Lee, Heritage Auctions, & Spink-Shreves Galleries for their help with this effort. This time I am proud to thank the two listed below.

Schuyler Rumsey Auctions

Schuyler included a flyer in his Westpex catalog. This auction was very successful for them. Please let Schuyler know how much we appreciate his contributions as a businessman and as a fellow philatelist, and wish him the best with his philatelic efforts.

James M. Lee

What can I say about Jim? He always goes above and beyond the call of duty for the Society. He sent out a second flyer in his mailer. His efforts have been one of the most successful of this membership drive. Thanks Jim, from me and your philatelic friends.

Rob Lund, USPCS Membership Chairman

TEXPEX

Mark your calendar now and plan to attend the
Annual Meeting of the
U.S. Philatelic Classics Society! Details will
follow in a future issue of the CHATTER.



Apr. 15-17, 2011
Doubletree Hotel Dallas
Near the Galleria
4099 Valley View Ln. (I-635
at Midway exit)
Dallas, Texas



**ROUTE AGENTS
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EXHIBITING SCENE**

TEXPEX 2010 April 16-18, 2010

- Alfredo Frohlich**, Gold Medal for “United States of Colombia”, also the American Philatelic Society Pre-1900 Medal of Excellence
- William K. McDaniel**, Gold Medal for “The U.S. Three Cent Stamps of 1851-1857: Production and Usage”; also the J.C.M. Cryer Memorial Cup for Best 19th Century U.S., the Texas Philatelic Association President’s Award for Best Exhibit by a Member, the Texas Stamp Dealers Association Most Popular Exhibit Award, the United States Philatelic Classics Society Award and the United States Stamp Society Stature of Freedom Award
- Ralph H. Nafziger**, Gold Medal for “The 3c 1948 Oregon Territory Issue”
- Ralph H. Nafziger**, Gold Medal for “U.S. First Day Covers in the Mail stream”; also, the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Creativity Award and the Auxiliary Markings Club Graham Award
- Larry Lyons**, Single Frame Gold Medal and the Single Frame Grand Award for “The Boston Carrier System 1849-1863”
- Anthony Wawrukiewicz**, Single Frame Gold Medal for “The Return to Writer/Sender Process: The Beginnings 1859-1875”; also, the Auxiliary Markings Club President’s Award for Exhibiting Excellence.

NAPEX 2010, June 4-6, 2010

- Charles C. J. Verge**, Vermeil Medal for “The Documentary Revenues of Haiti 1817-1957”; also the American Revenue Association Best Revenue Exhibit Award
- Gianluigi Soldati**, Silver Medal for “Chemistry: Chemist’s Perspective of the Science and Industry from Alchemy to Modern Day”; also, the American Topical Association First Place Medal and the Women Exhibitors Sterling Achievement Award
- Larry Lyons**, Single Frame Grand Award and Gold Medal for “The Rise and Fall of Government Carrier Service in New York: Aug. 16, 1842 – Nov. 28, 1846”
- Charles C.J. Verge**, NAPEX Alphabet Challenge Winner and Single Frame Silver Medal for “The 1959 Seaway Joint Issue: Illegal and Unusual Usages”
- Cheryl Ganz**, Single Frame Gold Medal for “Uruguay Zeppelin Agency Cachets”

A.P.S. STAMP SHOW, August 12-15, 2010

THE WORLD SERIES OF PHILATELY:

Champion of Champions:

Richard C. Malmgren, for “Hawaiian Postage Stamps”

World Series Prix d’Honneur:

John H. Barwis, “The Half-Lengths of Victoria, 1850-1859”

Alfredo Frohlich, “Republic of Colombia – International Mail 1886- 1899”

Eliot A. Landau, “The 6c Lincoln Large Bank Note Issues”

Lester C. Lanphear III, “U.S. Departmentals, 1873 to 1884”

Michael Ley, “Burma – the First Two Issues”

Nicholas A. Lombardi, “The 1903 Two Cent Washington Shield Issue”

Larry Lyons, “All Roads Lead to San Francisco: Private Companies that Carried the Mail in the Early West”

Don David Price, “Production Varieties of U.S. Bicolor Postage Stamps (1869-1918)”

Martin D. Richardson, “Boyd’s Local Post in New York City 1844-1911”

Mark S. Schwartz, “Boston Postal History 1703-1851”

Patricia Stilwell-Walker, “Baltimore Postal History: From Colonial Times to the UPU”

OPEN COMPETITION:

Larry Lyons, Grand Award and Gold Medal for “Carrier Service in the Major U.S. Cities 1842-1863”; also Best, Postal Division, Postal History Society Award and United States Stamp Society Statue of Freedom Award

Hugh V. Feldman, Gold Medal for “U.S. Mail Routes by Water (1814-1875)”

Anthony Wawrukiewicz, Best Thematic Division and Gold Medal for “The Sun: Myth, Science, Culture”; also, American Topical Association Jerry Husak Award

John Birkinbine II, Gold Medal for “Drama of the Civil War Period: Arizona and New Mexico Areas, 1860-1867”; also, American Philatelic Congress Award, American Philatelic Society Research Award, and Military Postal History Society Award

Robert S. Boyd, Gold Medal for “Crazy Quilt: Antebellum Postage Rates to the German States”

Deane R. Briggs, Gold Medal for “Florida Civil War Postal History”

- Leonard H. Hartmann**, Gold Medal for “The Lithographed General Issues of the Confederate States of America”; also, the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society Award
- Stefan T. Jaronski**, Gold Medal for “Tudor Hall, VA – Post Office for the Confederate Army” also the Virginia Postal History Society award
- Eliot A. Landau**, Gold Medal for “Lincoln, Slavery, and the Civil War”; also the Smithsonian National Postal Museum Award
- Marvin and Judith Platt**, Gold Medal for “The Columbian Envelopes of 1893”
- Roger G. Schnell**, Gold Medal for “Denmark – Christian X Bicolor Issues 1918-1933”; also, felicitations of the jury (Study)
- Robert E. Thompson**, Gold Medal for 25c Honeybee – from Design to Postal Usage and More”, also American Philatelic Society Post-1980 Medal of Excellence and the Plate Number Coil Collectors Club Presidents Award
- William R. Weiss, Jr**, Gold Medal for “United States Postal Card Errors, 1881-1991” also, Errors, Freaks, and Oddities Collectors Club First Award
- James G. Boyles**, Vermeil Medal for “Postmarks of Lancaster, Penn Sylvania 1757-1899”
- Conrad L. Bush**, Vermeil Medal for “Straightline, Fancy, and Uncommon Cancels on Confederate General Issue Stamps”
- Robert Eldridge**, Vermeil Medal for “Overview of the Confederate Postal System: Precursors to Full Operation”
- Brian, Maria, and Alexander Green**, Vermeil Medal for “Confederate Postal History: CSA Generals Mail 1861-65”
- Randy Neil**, “Confederate States of America: The 10-Cent Steel Plate Issues of 1863-1865”; also, American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors Award of Honor
- Marvin and Judith Platt**, Vermeil Medal for “The Two Cent Columbian Stamp of 1893”
- Peter W.W. Powell**, Vermeil Medal for “Confederate Postmasters’ Provisionals”
- Gianluigi Soldati**, Vermeil Medal for “A Chemistry Study: Alchemy to Mid-20th Century”; also, the American Topical Association Second Award
- Yamil H. Kouri, Jr.**, Silver Medal for “Cuban Insurgents: Mail during the Wars of Independence”
- Gene Lightfoot**, Silver Medal for “Antebellum Virginia: 1851-1861 Period”
- Larry T. Nix**, Silver Medal for “America’s Library – The Library of Congress”
- Anthony Wawrukiewicz**, Single Frame Vermeil Medal for “The Return to Writer/Sender Process, the Beginnings (1859-1875)”

The Palmars from the various philatelic exhibitions are reviewed for mention of USPCS members as they become available. Occasionally, someone gets missed, and since it's usually several months before the next CHATTER, listing corrections long after the show is rather impractical. We apologize to anyone inadvertently omitted from the list of awards – keep winning and we'll get you in the Winner's Circle the next time.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

New Members

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4254	Dr William E Payne	4544 Spruce Ridge Dr	Manlius	NY	13104-9661
4255	Dr David Steidley	11 Davey Drive	W Orange	NJ	07052-2130
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4257	Jeffrey N Brown	137 S Mill Dr	S Glastonbury	CT	06073-2224
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4259	John Patrick Duffy	3724 Boulevard Ave	Atlantic City	NJ	08401-1303
4260	Dennis P Callison	9800 N Countyline Rd	Brookville	OH	45309-9503
4261	Kenneh R Nilsestuen	1000 Kingswood Dr	Akron	OH	44313-5921
4262	Erich Dischert	136 Sweetbay Ln	New Castle	DE	19720-7676
4263	John F Schorn	10417 Burnt Ember Dr	Silver Spring	MD	20903-1337
4264	Michael M Ludeman	POB 2024	Denton	TX	76202-2024
4265	James D Shumaker	1169 Wesrhaven Blvd	Franklin	TN	37064-4874
4266	Susan R Whitehead	POB 2596	Easley	SC	29641-2596
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4268	Robert D Forster	2828 NW Imperial Ter	Portland	OR	97210-3317
4269	Oscar Thomas	24451 Redlen St	Lake Forest	CA	92630-3847
4270	Robert Hohertz	POB 808	Northfield	MN	55057-0808
4271	Arvin M Morrow	1301 67th St SE 24A	Auburn	WA	98092-8064
4272	Don Farr	1826 N Joann St	Wichita	KS	67203-1417
4273	Robert C Anderson	209 N Pinetta Dr	Richmond	VA	23235-4915
4274	Dave Bussiere	2620 Broadacres Wy	Virginia Beach	VA	23453-7332
4275	Kevin Andersen	1446 Wonderland Rd	Fayetteville	WV	25840-5266
4276	Gary Greenberg	POB 71213	Phoenix	AZ	85050-1004
4277	Joe Maurizio	200 E Broadway #315	Maryville	TN	37804-5755
4278	Sean Dail	1405 Wake Forest Rd	Raleigh	NC	27604-1328
4279	Stephen L Fosberg	10 Cliff Dr	Hendersonville	NC	28739-2564
4280	Phillip Alexander	216 Barton Dr	Barboursville	WV	25504-1126
4281	Tyler R Moody	POB 28253	Kansas City	MO	64188-0253
4282	Joseph Jones	POB 6275	Maryville	TN	37802-6275
4283	Damian Johnson	4808 NE Sherwood Dr	Kansas City	MO	64119-3508
4284	Timothy Smith	5424 Harwood Rd	Bethesda	MD	20814-1354
4285	Joseph P Jones	200 E Broadway Ave #315	Maryville T	N	37804-5755
4286	Wayne Youngblood	POB 111	Scandinavia	WI	54977-0111
4287	William S Langs	POB 45	New Milford	NJ	07646-0046
4288	Steven R Boyd	POB 312101	New Braunfels	TX	78130-2101
4289	Mark Scheuer	3760 Ridge Rd	Williamson	NY	14589-9342
4290	Raymond A Tidrow	14618 Ivanhoe Dr	Warren	MI	48088-7404
4291	Geoffrey Lewis	POB 196	Randwick NSW 2031	AUSTRALIA	
4292	Richard L Hilty	3781 Crestone Dr	Loveland	CO	80537-3504
4293	Robert J Hasseth Jr	4006 Chesley Ave	Baltimore	MD	21206-1513
4294	David Hand	POB 292	Hegins	PA	17938-0292
4295	Frederick W Clarke	67694 E Bay Rd	North Bend	OR	97459-9460
4296	Michael Chan	4918 Laurel St	Bellaire	TX	77401-4427
4297	Thomas M Koch	1013 Springbrook Dr	Desoto	TX	75115-3943
4298	Andrew J McFarlane	POB 669	Bartonsville	PA	18321-0669
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3248	Christopher Burtzloff	221 Sagamore St	Jackson	MI	49203-
4019	John S Daley	POB 981231	Park City	UT	84098-1231
4072	Geoffrey P Dunlop	POB 494	Tiverton	RI	02878-0494
3174	Dr Edward C Field	POB 1148	Pacific Palisades	CA	90272-1148
3180	Matthew W Kewriga	POB 318	Medway	MA	02053-0318
2684	Karl C. Rove	PO BOX 25564	Washington	DC	20027-8564
2884	Takahiro Sasaki	Kohoku-Ku 1-18-14-614 Ookurayama	Tokyo 222-0037	JAPAN	
4199	Andrew J Titley	3611 Cole Ave, APT 169	Dallas	TX	75204-4535
1488	Vincent A Vaicekauskas	137 White Rock Dr	Windsor	CT	06095-4348

Reinstated

RA #	Name	Address	
3815	Donald E Green	Sunnyvale	CA
2441	Peter Mosiondz Jr	Laurel Springs	NJ
2319	Carl Shaff	Los Angeles	CA
3752	Charles J G Verge	Toronto, ON M4T 2L7	CANADA

Deceased

RA #	Name	Address	
2559	William R Edgerly	East Bridgewater	MA
0099	John L Norbeck	Edina	MN
3189	Everett Strickland	Timonium	MD
0563	Raymond Vogel	River Forest	IL

New Life Members:

RA #	LM#	Name	Address	
3017	252	Vernon R Morris Jr	Sebring	FL
4268	253	Robert D Forster	Portland	OR
2568	254	David D'Alessandris	Arlington	VA

Resignations

RA #	Name	Address	
4049	M Denis	Bridgeview	IL
2191	Dr Robert T Goldman	West Bloomfield	MI
2812	Robert M Langer	Boston	MA
3641	David L Servies	Billings	MT
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CLASSIFIEDS

WANTED: N.C. POSTAL HISTORY

Covers bearing postmarks from western North Carolina. Please send scans to scott_steward@hotmail.com or call Scott Steward at 301-283-0022 (081110)

WANTED: COLORADO POSTAL

HISTORY. Covers bearing scarce or unusual Colorado post marks from the pre-Territorial (before 2/28/1861) and Territorial (2/28/1861 - 7/31/1876) periods. Particularly, covers bearing the 1861-67 1¢ Franklin (63, 86, 92). Stephen B. Pacetti, 12751 W. Alameda Dr., Lakewood, CO 80228-2801; Email: sbp57@comcast.net. Scans via email are most welcome (081110)

WANTED: WISCONSIN POSTAL

HISTORY. Early stampless to 1900, better markings, DPO's, etc. Wm B. Robinson, Box 12492, Green Bay WI 54307. E-mail wbrob@hotmail.com (081209)

WANTED: County of Schenectady, NY

postal history, stampless to 1919, esp. manuscript and DPO's. List available. Bob Bramwell at rbramwell@nc.rr.com or POB 4150, Pinehurst, NC 28374. Questions to me at 910-295-5808.

TRUE BICOLOR RARITIES

WANTED: For 1869, 1873, & 1901 Exhibits. Highest Prices Paid—Name Yours! Confidentiality Assured. Don David Price, E-mail ddprice98@hotmail.com

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The ANNOTATED CUMULATIVE SUBJECT INDEX TO THE CHRONICLE OF THE U.S. CLASSIC POSTAL ISSUES, JOURNAL OF THE U.S. PHILATELIC CLASSICS SOCIETY FOR ISSUE NUMBERS 1 THROUGH 200, compliments the U.S.P.C.S. Web Chronicle by indexing individual postage stamps, postal markings, corner cards, ship names and manuscript rate markings illustrated in the Chronicle, but not mentioned in the text. These items will not show up in a text search, but are included in my annotated index, and on the searchable CD-ROM, which accompanies this 5 9 1 page Index.

The published Index and CD-ROM are sold only as a set. Price: \$75.00 per set, plus \$10.00 shipping and handling in the U.S.A. Virginia residents please add 5% VA sales tax (\$3.75). Available from: Joseph J. Geraci, P.O. Box 4129, Merrifield, Virginia 22116-4129, U.S.A.

LITERATURE WANTED: Auction catalogs including worldwide name sales like Worthington, Seybold, Ackerman, Col. Green, Emerson, Burrus, Rothschild; house runs including early Siegel, Paige, Morgenthau, Harmer Rooke, Kelleher, Harmers, Klein, Ward, Robson Lowe; buying singles and libraries. Matthew Kewriga, E-mail: matt@kewriga.com (081201)

RESEARCH REQUESTS

IDAHO TERRITORIAL POSTMARK CATALOG - Urgently seeking photocopies or scans of Idaho postal material through July 3, 1890. No need to resubmit material previously sent to Richard Long in 1994-95. Results will be published serially in *The Oregon Country* alphabetically, arranged by county. Will reimburse costs and acknowledge contributors in the published work if desired. Wish to start publication with "A" and "B" counties ASAP. For details and references contact Stan Grove at 307-349-5355 or stan-grove2004@yahoo.com.

Need Your Help: I'm researching the early, so-called red-band envelopes used by the US-POD to carry registered mail in the period 1867-1871. They are on heavy, manila stock with a wide red band at the top and bottom. Scans of front and back would be appreciated. Condition is not important, as I'm interested in any example, however 'ratty'. Please submit to harry015@verizon.net, or Harry Brown, 17-2 Bixby Road, Spencer, MA 01562

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RESEARCH REQUESTS, Continued

1861 Control Number Overprints: Looking for multiples of any 1861 control number overprints. needed for a research project underway. Scott numbers are from 63 SJ to 78 SJ. Any history on the item is also helpful. Please submit digital images or contact Ken Gilbert at kdgmbg@aol.com (090514).

Need Your Help: Doing research on the New York "APL"-dated circular datestamp (see scans below, Skinner-type NYDM 52-3) on/off cover used from ~1835 through to 1855. I am most interested in the usages on the 3 Cent Stamp, 1851-57 Issue, but would like to see all others, from stampless era, Locals, and the 1847 Issue. Dr. Charles J. DiComo, 102 Old Pawling Rd. Pawling, NY 12564-2121, or E-mail at charles.dicomo@uspcs.org (081110)

Need Your Help: Doing research on Pawling, New York in Dutchess County. I am most interested in the usages on the 3 Cent Stamp, 1851-57 Issue, but would like to see all others, from stampless era through to modern. Dr. Charles J. DiComo, 102 Old Pawling Rd. Pawling, NY 12564-2121, or E-mail at charles.dicomo@uspcs.org (081110)

Need Your Help: I need help researching transpacific usage of 10¢ large Bank Note stamps. The relevant Scott Nos. are: 139, 150, 161, 187-88, 209, 209b. I would welcome receiving: any data concerning ship sailing records; images of covers, front and back; auction realizations; anything else that might be of use in my quest.
Chad Snee, Box 835, Troy, OH 45373-0835; suppousnr@yahoo.com (081118)

Researching 1870-88 Bank Issues: Working on census research, Looking for images and research materials relating to the US Postal Agency Mails from Japan and China, also looking for photocopies of general Bank Note Issue collections.
Matt Kewriga, 7 Tracy Lyn Road, Holliston, MA 01746, matt@kewriga.com (090101)

Need Your Help: Doing research on NYFM cancels prior to 1870. Would like assistance in providing material in hopes of putting together a concise and chronological catalog of different cancels as well as a census of material. Seeking covers which fulfill the following requirements: a) pre-1870 usage, b) foreign destination (outside USA), c) New York Exchange Office origin postmark, and d) has no other USA postmark than New York. Full credit will be given if research is published. Would like any assistance in providing material. Please send email with scans and information on pieces. Andrew Titley, 327 Dennis Street, Oceanside, NY 11572 or email at andrew.titley33@gmail.com.