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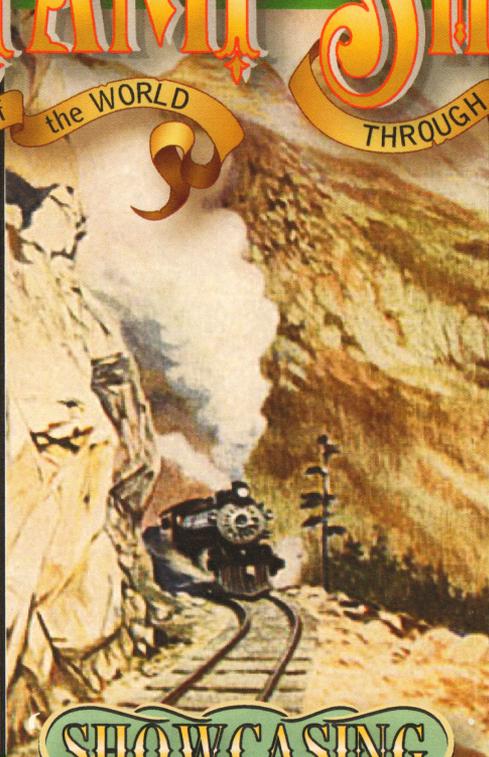
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SCOUTS ON STAMPS SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL



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## RMSS Invited Societies

### Scouts on Stamps Society International

The Scouts on Stamps Society International (SOSSI) is a nonprofit organization composed of international philatelists who specialize in philatelic material relating to the world-wide Scouting Movement. The purpose of the Society is to assemble information regarding Scout philatelic material that honors the Scout movement and to promote interest in Scouts on stamps among stamp collectors and other interested individuals.

SOSSI publishes the SOSSI Journal (six times a year). Through this Journal, members are kept informed of new issues, learn of research on the classic early issues of Scouting stamps, learn about previously unreported facts about earlier issues, covers, cancellations, etc. The Journal also carries information on SOSSI news such as the annual general meeting and has advertising by Scout stamp dealers and member individual ads. Electronic distribution of the Journal will be available starting in 2015.

Membership in SOSSI is open to any person young or old who is interested in the Scouts on Stamps topic. The annual fee is \$15.00 in the USA, Canada or Mexico and \$18.00 in the rest of the world. Payment must be made in US dollars to SOSSI via cash, check, money order or PayPal. Please go to the SOSSI website, [www.sossi.org](http://www.sossi.org), or contact the President for details of PayPal payment.

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Postal History Society

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Postal history is telling the story of how mail has been handled, who has handled it, and why. In postal history, research is necessary to interpret a cover and its postal markings. The development of postal systems and methods of handling mail are collected, studied, exhibited, written and spoken about by those who constitute membership of the Postal History Society. The Postal History of the Americas (the last three words were later dropped) was founded in 1951. It has grown to more than 600 members throughout the world. The Postal History Journal began in 1957. The Society supports local and regional postal history groups and promotes postal history at exhibitions. The Society offers an opportunity to expand your interest in postal history, to publish your research results, to gain recognition for your collecting interests, and to further your individual and group's work to learn more about the postal history of the United States. Membership is \$35 in the U.S.

## RMSS 2014 Exhibits

- 1-9 Baltimore Postal History:** Patricia Stillwell-Walker  
**from Colonial Times until the UPU (Court of Honor)**  
*Shows how the significant aspects of United States postal history from colonial times to circa 1876 can be illustrated using material from, through and to one of our major cities, Baltimore.*
- 10-12 Siam “Scout Fund” Overprints 1920** Frederick Lawrence  
**(Court of Honor)**  
*Displays the three types of the overprints, originally charity labels to raise money for Siam’s Wild Tiger Scouts which became Siam’s second semi-postal issue.*
- 13-16 Laundry Day 1880-1920** Dalene Thomas  
*Tells the story of laundry day for the Victorian homemaker.*
- 17-24 Orange Free State Postal Cards** Timothy Bartshe  
**of 1884-1900**  
*Complete development of the postal cards from the Republican period through the occupation of 1900 where Republican issues were overprinted VRI.*
- 25-32 British Postal Automation:** Stephen McGill  
**from Transforma to Modern Letter Processing**  
*Presents a short history of the development of postal automation in the U.K.*
- 33-40 British India Queen Victoria** Sandeep Jaiswal  
**Postal Stationery**  
*In-depth study of the various dies and printings with special emphasis on extraordinary usages.*
- 41-43 Indian Convention State Issues** Steven Zwillinger  
**of Edward VII**  
*About a little-known chapter in Indian philately where the Indian Post Office provided stamps for use in five of the Indian Princely States.*
- 44-48 The Postal History of Swiss WWII Cards** Charles LaBlonde  
*World War II Switzerland as illustrated by its postal cards and postcards.*

- 49-54 Letters to the Stars** Regis Hoffman  
*Study of Hollywood fan mail from the silent era to the present day.*
- 55-60 National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America** James Fabbre  
*Display of Boy Scout memorabilia of the National Jamborees is highlighted by U.S. stamps, covers and scouting collectables showing icons of each Jamboree.*
- 61-62 Official Posts and Telegraph Office First Day Covers of Sudan** Steven Zwillinger  
*Shows the official FDCs of Sudan from the first one in 1948 until Sudan contracted out their stamp program.*
- 63-64 Colorado Postal History, KT. CT. 1854-1900** Tonny Van Loij  
*Overview of postal cancellations, uses over the period, ghost towns, mining towns, fancy cancels, and advertising covers.*
- 65-70 The U.S. Revalued Postal Stationery of 1971** Douglas & Nancy Clark  
*Production, first day covers and post-first day uses of their envelopes revalued for the May 16, 1971 rate changes.*
- 71-80 Libraries in 20th Century America** Larry Nix  
*Display showing the diversity and development of America's libraries in the 20th century.*
- 81-90 Life in German-occupied WWII Poland** Paul Phillips  
*Documents the happenings in Poland, 1939-45, through surviving mail and ephemera.*
- 91-96 An Adventure that Began with Stamps** Rusty Morse  
*A young stamp collector goes to sea after World War II, 1947-1966.*
- 97-106 Aerophilately The United States Governmental Flights (1918-1927)** Patrick Walters  
*Early government flights from May 15, 1918 through February 1, 1927.*

- 163-168 Baden-Powell — The Two Lives of a Hero** Lawrence Clay  
*Philatelic tribute to Lord Robert Baden-Powell for his two lives: (1) as hero of Mafeking and (2) as the founder of world Scouting.*
- 169-175 Rockford Illinois Postal Markings 1837-1939** Timothy Wait  
*Study of the postal markings used to send and receive mail.*
- 176-180 Machine Vended Postage Labels of Switzerland 1976-2011** Deepak Haritwal  
*Machine vended postage labels issued by Swiss Post from 1976-2011.*
- 181-183 U.S. One Cent Postal Card: the GPO McKinley Designs of 1910-1911** Lewis Bussey  
*Production and usages of the four distinctive issues, bearing a common design.*
- 184-185 Pan-Pacific 1959 Boy Scout Jamboree Philatelic & Memorabilia Review** John Owen  
*Philatelic review of special stamp issue, post office markings and cancellations, FDCs and post-issue philatelic mail.*
- 186 Scout Post Cards — The Humorous Side** Lawrence Clay  
*A brief look at the humorous side of scouting through post cards.*
- 187 The American Library Association and World War I** Larry Nix  
*Story of the library war service of the American Library Association during World War I.*
- 188 British East Africa Postal Stationery 1891-1895** George Krieger  
*Imperial British East Africa Company stationery and overprints for the takeover by the crown.*
- 189 France: the 15 Centimes Sage Goes to Sea** Stanley Luft  
*Mediterranean service to and from Corsica and North Africa (via Marseille).*

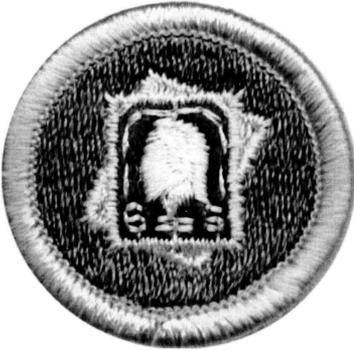
- 190 The Mafeking Siege “Blue” Issue of Cape of Good Hope 1900** Cheong-Too Choi  
*Study of the stamps focused on color shades, paper varieties, watermarks, setting varieties, production varieties and postal usage.*
- 191 Penalty Clause Mail Use outside the Continental U.S.** Les Lanphear  
*U.S. penalty clause mail was valid at U. S. Post Offices outside the continental U.S. Shown is the period up to WWI.*
- 192 Disinfected Mail of Livorno in Tuscany** Paul Phillips  
*History of disinfection of mail in Livorno (Leghorn) from the earliest days until the mid 19th century.*
- 193 Chile “Servicio del Estado” Overprinted 1 Peso Presidente Issues** Carlos Vergara  
*The stamps and their descriptions and usage.*
- 194 International Cards Used by the “Nation’s Attic” Cary Finder**  
*Postal cards sent all over the world (1880-1920) to acknowledge items received by the Smithsonian Institution.*
- 195 The Steamers of San Francisco, 1849-1854** Rick Mingee  
*Displays covers bearing the names of several steamship companies which regularly sailed to/from San Francisco carrying the mails in the early gold rush era.*
- 196 Coronation Day Mail of King George V** Paul Phillips  
*The issue of his first stamps and postal stationery occurred on Coronation Day, making this the first ever coincidence of new issues and the coronation.*
- 197 Library Uses of Melvil Dewey’s Postal Card** Larry Nix  
*The different uses that libraries made of the UX15/S19 “library card”.*

Vote for your favorite exhibit by  
 placing your ballot in the box  
 at the cachet table up front!

# WHY BELONG TO SOSSI

by Terrence Dunn

When we were scouts a million years ago we really had a great time! In fact, scouting was our life from when we became a Cub Scout on through Boy Scouts, Sea Scouts and serving in many capacities as adult scouters. Many of us began collecting scout stamps in our early teens and continued collecting for a number of years until those other things in a young adult's life over took stamp collecting. Today, some 50 or 60 or even 70 years of scouting later, many of us again collect scout stamps. Why are we back at it? Well, some of us of course never left, but there are several reasons which may seem apply.



Scouting as a boy or girl was a great time for us, and collecting today brings back those memories of campfires, camping trips, patrol flags and the special joy of friendship. We met and made many friends, and for many of us some of these friendships have lasted a lifetime. Making friendships and connections of value are points of importance which seem to be lacking in much of today's world.



At this point in life many of us don't get out camping much anymore. Scout stamps deliver the memories of great camping experiences, but on a worldwide basis. With scout stamps we get to see scouts camping under the African sky, in the snows of Scandinavia, and the desert of outback of Australia. In addition, I we get to relive those canoe trips, backpacking treks, and the many short weekend camps and long summer campouts from years past.



One of the most terrific things scout stamp collecting does is to demonstrate that the world we live in can be a friendly and peaceful place. With over 20 million scouts around the world in more countries than there are members of the United Nations, we see Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Girl Guides living in happiness and service regardless of their nation, race, religion or economic situation. The world of scouting is truly expressed through scout stamps and their many scenes of service, outdoors, character and citizenship.



In the Scouts On Stamps Society International (SOSSI) organization our membership strives to enhance their own personal scout stamp collections, but also to enhance scout stamp collecting worldwide and stamp collecting in general. Many of our members annually hold *Stamp Collecting Merit Badge* classes for Boy Scouts around the USA, and in other nations where boy and girl scouting associations have a similar badge. As SOSSI members we get excited about introducing young people to stamp collecting. Hopefully our efforts will continue to bring the joy of this lifetime hobby to thousands each year for decades to come.