



# The Circuit

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*The Official Journal of The International Society of Worldwide Stamp Collectors*

## TO READERS of "THE CIRCUIT"

Here is a prospectus for a major publicity program suggested for the club to pursue for the threefold purposes of increasing awareness among collectors about ISWSC, increasing our group's prestige and recognition within the philatelic community, and increasing the publicity that our hobby gets in the non-philatelic press. It should also be a lot of fun.

Ken Jenkins and Dave Nelson had a chance to outline this plan to a number of people involved in the APS and with the philatelic media during their recent meeting at NEVPEX in Reno; reactions were all very favorable and it seems we have an exciting chance to accomplish something really important if we can muster enough club member support.

The work necessary to obtain a reasonable result will require many months of preparation and participation by a number of talented World-widers, hence we are asking you to read this very carefully, especially the descriptions of the volunteer committee positions, and then respond to Dave Nelson with your suggestions and, if possible, your offer to help. If you DO NOT think we should pursue this, we want to hear that too. (While it is our intention that the program pay for itself with little or no support from the club treasury, the fact is this will be the biggest undertaking the club has ever attempted and the Officers do not wish to have their time so occupied if you, the members, do not think it is the best use of that time.)

Due to the 4 month hiatus between issues, we will not have time to solicit a round of views and then resubmit a plan via the Circuit; the Officers will consider your comments and the existence or absence of a solid corps of volunteers, and will then approve, modify, or cancel. WE WILL NOT PROCEED on the basis of Officer volunteers only...we need YOU, or it's no go.

Dave Nelson, 309 Kentucky St. Petaluma CA  
309 Kentucky St., Petaluma, CA 94952

## A PROPOSAL

### "The Most Beautiful Stamp in History"

The International Society of Worldwide Stamp Collectors will sponsor a survey of collectors around the world to determine the stamp they consider to be the most beautiful of all those ever issued. With the moral support or official involvement of major industry leaders, such as the APS Chapters and, perhaps a co-sponsoring periodical such as Linn's we would organize and carry out a world-wide search for the most attractive single, souvenir sheet and set. Awards would be presented to the winning stamp issuing authority, or a logical surrogate, at the May 1990 Show in London commemorating the 150th anniversary of stamps.

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## ANNOUNCEMENT: DONATION AUCTION

ISWSC's first annual donation auction is now a reality. Dalene Thomas #101 of Lakewood, Colorado has volunteered to be our auctioneer, and she will have the rules spelled out for you elsewhere in this issue of "The Circuit." Please send all donation lots to her and do it now, so she can have them organized and listed for the next issue which is in October. With the diversity of membership we have I am sure we can have something for everyone. Give a brief description of what you send and a catalog value and/or suggested sale price. Please make lots worth at least \$5.00 sale value. The names of donors and buyers will not be listed in "The Circuit," and there will not added charge to the buyers. All proceeds above and beyond cost of the sale will go to the treasury. Helping out the treasury in this fashion will keep the annual dues at their present level, and we will also get back our August edition of this publication.

## Most Beautiful Stamp (Cont'd)

Here are the plans as so far outlined:

**COMMITTEE:** All MBSH Organizing Committee members will be unpaid volunteers and members of ISWSC. Each member will have a specific area of personal project responsibility which will require timely actions on their part. Out of pocket expenses will be reimbursed. Member Assignments are, at least:

- Chairman; to serve as the hub of communications among all other members and the liaison between the Committee and ISWSC Officers. Preferably, the Chairman will be able to make a trip to London in 1990 at his/her own expense.
- Publicity Director; to act as the liaison with our official sponsoring publication and to create and disseminate timely press releases to the world-wide philatelic press and general media.
- Treasurer; to collect revenues, pay bills and keep accounts for all MBSH activities; separately from the ISWSC general fund.
- Club Correspondent; to communicate with APS' American Philatelist columnists that are in charge of Chapters and Affiliates News and to provide information packets to any organizations that may be interested in making nominations.
- Ballot Selection Manager; to organize and direct the efforts of a Ballot Selection Committee on which he/she will also serve, to prepare the final ballot for distribution.
- Issuers Liaison; to communicate with stamp issuing authorities around the world to solicit assistance and participation in various ways, including encouraging them to consider an issue commemorating the contest winners.
- Endorsements Manager; to seek a limited number of Commercial Sponsors such as a publisher (Scott?), a Dealer (Harris?), a Merchandiser (The Franklin Mint?) that will wish to offer financial or other types of assistance in return for some endorsement or privilege to be extended by the MBSH.
- Presentations Manager; (This member must be prepared to make a trip to London in May 1990 at his/her own expense) to arrange with the organizers of the Stamp World 1990 show at Alexandra Palace in London a forum for the official presentation of awards to winners, to design and acquire said awards, and to join in the presentation of same.

### HOW WINNERS WILL BE CHOSEN:

We will have a minimum of rules, trying not to tell voters what is beautiful. Any stamp, SS, or set issued by any legitimate entity may be nominated. The judges will have the final say about "legitimacy." Nominators of stamps that are not "recognized" by all of the major cataloguers will be required to show some reasonable proof that they were issued for the purpose of carrying mail. Judging will be based SOLELY on face aesthetics. The VALUE of a stamp, on the primary or secondary market, is to be ignored. (i.e. anyone nomi-

nating a U.S. inverted Airmail needs to expect that it will be considered more eye appealing than the intended correct version, and than all other possible single issues of all other nations. (hardly a logical expectation one would think). Historical accuracy, germaneness, technical issues are to be ignored (hence if someone likes the \$1 Trans-Mississippi "Western Cattle in Storm" it is irrelevant that the painting shown was actually done in the Scottish Highlands, etc.)

1. Candidates may be nominated by various interested groups; these nominators will pay a one-time \$5 fee to enter one single, one s/s, and one set; they must accompany their nominations with either a color photograph or actual copies of the stamps and will also be required to provide, on loan, a good copy of any of their entries that make the finals for use in preparing the ballot catalogue. The following groups will be recognized and encouraged to place nominations:

- Any substantive stamp collector organization; all chapters and affiliates of the APS automatically accepted, others may be asked for references.
- Any chapter of ISWSC or any informal group of 2 or more ISWSC members.
- Any stamp collecting journal or periodical that wishes to sponsor a preliminary round among its readers (this provision would be voided if we make an accommodation with one publisher involving exclusive involvement).
- Any official stamp issuing authority.
- Additionally, each member of the MBSH Organizing committee may make one set of nominations, at his or her discretion, sans entry fee.

3. The final Ballot will be selected by an ISWSC sponsored Ballot Committee to consist of seven members:

- The MBSH Chairman
- The MBSH Ballot Selection Manager
- one nominee of the Official Sponsoring philatelic publication
- one nominee of the APS such as an American Philatelist columnist
- one nominee from one of the participating stamp issuing authorities (chosen by lot if multiple volunteers)
- one recognized professional artist, chosen by other B.C. members
- one additional member chosen ad hoc by other B.C. members

4. The final choices will be made by Ballot of all stamp collectors, said ballot to be printed in full color by the sponsoring journal and available ONLY through the pages of that newspaper and by mail direct to all ISWSC Members.

5. There will be only one Overall winner in each of the three categories, but the current intention is to offer recognition in the form of ribbons or certificates for a number of Best-Of-Category entires for such subsets as The 1st (2nd, 3rd) Fifty Years, The best Monochromatic entry, The best Engraved Stamp,

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The best Topical Stamp, etc. Suggestions for such awards are actively solicited.

6. Selections, as made by persons voting on the Official sponsoring journal's Ballots will be final, and will be kept secret until the awards ceremony.

Dave Nelson,  
309 Kentucky St., Petaluma, CA 94952

## FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT

The meeting held at NEVPEX in April was a success by any standards. It was attended by four members and about a dozen very interested non-members, two of whom became members immediately after the meeting. Welcomes, Joe Foley and Glen Robertson. All of the other attendees asked for membership applications, so we may get more new members. Dave Nelson, our PR man, and I explained the objectives of the ISWSC and answered questions for the full allotted hour and then continued in the hall for a while longer. It would be nice if more of our members who attend shows would attempt to set up an informal gathering to spread the word on how much fun collecting the world can be.

Our brochures are now available; thanks to Rita Kallal #26 and also to Dave Nelson #25 for his initial input on the layout. Hal Erickson #173, our librarian/archivist, and George Land #241, attended NEVPEX in San Francisco at the end of April and handed out brochures to all interested. Hal will also be attending FIMANDIA in Helsinki in early June as will Joe Foley, one of our newest members. More brochures will also be available to interested Scandinavians at that show. If you would like to have some of the brochures for distribution at a show or stamp club meeting, write to Rita. You all received a sample along with your April issue of "The Circuit." Isn't it super?

Input is being asked of the membership on the following questions, and decisions based on that input will be made by the Board of Directors.

1. A life membership has been requested by several members. Should we establish such a category, and if so, what should the amount be and with what requirements?
2. Some members say they do not have 250 duplicates to send as dues. Should we drop that requirement, make an extra cash dues in lieu of, or just ask for stamps for kids on a volunteer basis? Any other suggestions will also be entertained.
3. Because of the problem of everyone having a different expiration date of membership it is becoming increasingly time consuming for the secretary to collect dues. Should we make a common dues date for all and pro-rate dues to that date? If so, what month would be best?

Please send any suggestions, ideas, comments, etc. on the above to me, Ken Jenkins at P.O. Box 2457 in Henderson, Nevada 89015.

I am also seeking answers to a couple of legal questions. If we have a member of the legal profession among us who would volunteer to respond I would like to hear from him or her.

We are in the process of establishing an International secretary in the U.S.A. and Foreign secretaries in the various areas of the world where we have members to promote ISWSC as a truly International organization. Comments, translators, and volunteers are also sought for this project. I am sure many of you would welcome the opportunity to trade with members in other countries with collecting interests the same as yours. I will keep you informed as details develop.

Before I end this column I must also credit Dave Nelson for undertaking the project of querying former members as to why they dropped their membership. In the process he has regained several of them for us. He will also have a separate column in this issue announcing a "World's Most Beautiful Stamp" Contest. This will require a lot of help from a lot of members, but I believe it will be worthwhile to the club and to world-wide collecting. The feasibility of such a project was discussed at NEVPEX with the A.P.S.. We do not sponsor a show so this can be a project that we can get behind as a group in spite of our widespread discrimination of members.

Have a nice summer and let's all help to make the donation auction a big success!!

Ken Jenkins #15  
President

## VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Donations for the ISWSC Youth Program continue to come in on a regular basis. Current requests for stamps by youth activities are being filled by Ken Jenkins until his supply is exhausted. In addition to the donation requirements for membership, I am receiving donations from non-members for use in our program.

The activities of the club seem to be moving along at an accelerated pace. Some streamlining and new programs are under consideration, and the Omni Exchange is back on track. We have a nice new informational brochure now that will be quite helpful in getting new members.

Ken Costilow #142

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## SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT

Things are looking up! Dues renewals are coming in nicely, many members have expressed strong support with generous donations, and we have seven new members since the last issue. It sure is good!

Elsewhere in this issue you will find a copy of the welcoming letter that is now part of the packet sent to each new member. It seemed advisable that all members see it.

There have been a great many changes to the roster but we still have many copies from the last printing still remaining and this is not a good time to go to press with a new one. So, if any of you have failed to post the changes and keep yours current I will send you one I have posted and that is completely up to date for \$1.00. This is just enough to cover postage and copying of the add-on pages.

Ron Rummel #9 is recuperating from a heart attack. We all wish you the very best, Ron.

The club acknowledges with thanks the following generous donations:

Mbr. #	Name	Amount
1	Dunne	\$15.00
4	Krupa	5.00
9	Rummel	5.00
21	Termini	1.00
22	Bryant	1.50
26	Kallal	5.00
30	Iverson	20.00
32	Terry	5.00
54	Cordrey	5.00
65	Komisar	10.00
66	Cleveland	15.00
68	Jones	5.00
70	Ginsberg	5.00
76	Poling	5.00
83	Petersen	5.00
142	Costilow	12.00
177	Svatik	5.00
189	Burt	5.00
209	Beauduy	20.00
295	Douglass	35.00

We are all encouraged by such loyal support and by our high rate of member renewals.

The club sends our best wishes for future happiness to Mary White (nee Dawson) #130 on the occasion of her recent marriage.

Franzen #49 and Tomala #202 have resigned their membership. Reason: No answers from other members when they wrote asking to trade. Are you guilty?

Dave Paul #59 recommends his dealer: Philatelic Enterprises (John Sleevar), 4617 N. Prospect Rd., Box 3580, Peoria, IL 61614

Please note in your roster that Wilhelm, #195, now will trade.

Did any of you notice in the 26 Mar. issue of Stamp Collector that Ted Definger #237 helped foil a stamp thief? Good work, Ted.

Recently I received an envelope, post-marked Bronx, N.Y., containing about 45 names and addresses. No return address, no explanation. Are you out there? I'm waiting?

New member Springer #305 is also a topical collector. Now this is not so unusual. What is unusual are her topics: Clouds or candlelite, when the focal point of the stamp, are two. Drop her a note if you are interested in the other equally fascinating ones.

Jim Burt #189 suggests using "The Circuit" as an aid in recruiting new members.

New member Shultz #303 is now using International Jr. albums but is interested in expanding to the International Brown series. Can anyone of you help him on this? He is also looking for Ideal or Schaubek albums.

Third Notice--Dues have expired for the following members: Kubon #8, Wottreng #12, Bailey #19, Harkcom #40, Wray #46, Rosow #64, Graham #67, Hinkel #69, Guethlein #72, Compton #73, and Holgate #77.

Second Notice--Dues have expired or are expiring for the following members: Watford #37, Swonger #86, Baker #88, Rochniak #140, Farnum #143, Clement #148, Siler #149, Roy #150, Twining #152, Hyde #157, Spens #160, Timanus #161, Schappelle #164, Schumaker #176, Svatik #177, Stark #178, Ellwood #179, Gesell #182, Norris #183, Greene #184, Cox #185, Howell #187, Kellogg #188, Davis #191, Jizba #192, McGlassen #194, Schmiedel #196, Ward #197, Scott #198, Bernsteil #200, Hallead #201, Miller #203, Stanley #204, Good #205, Bodtke #206, Thomas #208, Young #210, Ehrlich #211, Johnson #212, Holtz #213, Hall #214, Needes #215, Mass #216, McNee #220, Svensson #221, Moorman #223, Weiner #225, Trent #226, Drury #227, Schwartz #228, Matasar #229, Brightman #231, Prescott #232, Gerlach #233, Bankes #234, Hackler #235, Fragaszy #236, Definger #237, Jones #239, Elliott #287, Long #288, Yurko #289, Laning #292.

First Notice--Dues are expiring (thru Sept '88) for the following: Merrill #90, Degenhart #92, Steiner #94, Burmeister #97, Berkowitz #98, Antonsen #99, Thomas #101, Schloss #102, Ross #103, Lee #104, Rovere #105, Deslauriers #106, Wilson #107, Bejma #108, Hoover #109, Voshell #110, Hanley #114, Randolph #116, Edwards #117, White #130, Smith #159, Smith #166, Jacinto #168, Creson #170, Mahdoui #238, Marie #240, Land #241, Hogan #242, Rawlings #243, Hirschback #244, Wyckoff #245, Warner #246, Hebert #247, Warner #248, Mazzano #249, Clark #250, Elston #251, Treutler #252, Stewart #253, Dykstra #254, Corkran #255, Shirey #256, Crane #257, Trout #258, Wilson #259, Consenheim #260, Urdang #293, and Disario #294.

Please send your \$5.00 dues for one year (send for more than one year if you'd like) to Herb #31, 825 E. Torrey, New Braunfels, TX 78130 and your 250 stamps to Ken Costilow #142, 621 Virginus Dr., Virginia Beach, Va. 23452 Do it now--before you forget!

Don't send stamp donations any more to Ken Jenkins. Ken is our President now. Ken Costilow, our Vice-President is in charge of our youth stamp programs.

This is being written 25 April to meet the 1 May deadline for this issue and this will

**Secretary-Treasurer's Report (Cont'd)**

be the last issue before Fall. That is why  
expiring dues are projected.

And so, happy stamping.

Herb #31

Secretary-Treasurer

**ISWSC FIRST ANNUAL DONATION AUCTION**

A mail auction for club members will be conducted by ISWSC. The purpose of this auction is to help members acquire new items for their collections, as well as to add to the club treasury which is in need of a big boost.

Members are asked to donate lots with a catalog value of at least \$5. Lots should be sent to the auction chairman, Dalene Thomas, at 8612 W. Warren Ln., Lakewood, Co. 80227-2352. Please include a description of your lots and current catalog value or a reserve if the item is not cataloged for some reason. All lots must be received by September 15 to be included in this auction.

A listing of lots will appear in the October issue of the "Circuit" and all bids must reach the auction chairman by November 15. Winning bidders will be notified by mail at the conclusion of the auction and lots will be mailed upon receipt of payment.

It will take the interest and participation of all members to make this auction a success. Take the time NOW to go through your duplicates and put together some lots. This is your club and your help is needed.

Dalene Thomas #101

Auction Chairman

**ROSTER ADDITIONS: Please Post!!**

#302	Arnold Cukier 294 So. University Dr. Plantation, FL 33324	14Mar88	Yes	Both
#303	Gary Shultz P. O. Box 115 Royal Oak, MI 48068	7Apr88	Yes	Both
#304	Pearl C. Luithle 228 Silver Ridge Ridgecrest, CA 93555	7 Apr88	No	Both
#305	Joan M. Springer 146 Joost Ave. San Francisco, CA 94131	15Apr88	Yes	Both
#306	Harold A. Mengert 6 Clover Dr. Fletcher, NC 28732	19Apr88	Yes	Both
#307	Glen A. Robertson Box 43 Anacortes, WA 98221	21Apr88	Yes	Both
#308	Joseph E. Foley Box 26 Short Hills, NJ 07078	21Apr88	Yes	Both

**ROSTER CHANGE: Please Post!!**

#266 Alton Clingan, Jr.  
Change the K to a C

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**Dates For Future Issues Of The Circuit**

Deadline date for mailing to editor:	You should receive your copy about:
Sept. 1, 1988	Oct. 1, 1988
Nov. 1, 1988	Dec. 1, 1988

International Society of Worldwide Stamp Collectors  
825 E. Torrey St  
New Braunfels, Texas 78130

Dear

Welcome to the club. We hope you will enjoy your membership and make many new stamping friends. When you correspond with club officers and any other members please use your club number ( ) as shown on your enclosed membership card. The reason for this is very simple - the membership roster, also enclosed, is in numerical order and it would be very tedious to look for a member in it without the number. Take a minute now to glance through the roster and note that the officers and committee heads are indicated, as well as the editor and publisher of our journal, *The Circuit*, and that it also shows whether a member wishes to trade or not and whether he collects used, mint, or both. Also included in this packet is a copy of the By-Laws, the latest edition of "*The Circuit*" and the rules and an application blank for our official trading medium, *The Omni Exchange*.

It would be very helpful to the club and yourself if you would keep these papers, and any subsequent ones when received, together in a folder for future reference. This will enable you to gain much more from your membership.

If you wish to trade direct with other members it is best to write first before sending any stamps and only to those who indicate on the roster that they desire trading partners. Enclosing a SASE would be beneficial.

Likewise if you receive mail from other members do give them the courtesy of a reply. If your reply is to be a negative one a postal card will do. Remember one of the purposes of our club is facilitating friendship among worldwide collectors!

Your input to "*The Circuit*" is not only welcome, it is desired. If you have any questions about writing an item for "*The Circuit*" drop a note to the editor.

Our club has no staff. Everything that gets done is accomplished by you, the members, as volunteers. Send your ideas, comments, and suggestions to the appropriate person and if you feel you could accomplish or help to accomplish some specific task please tell us. Perhaps sometime in the future you would like to run for office. Please do.

Happy Stamping,

Herb Holland #31  
Secy-Treas

### Our Donated Stamps

Stamps that you send for our Youth Program no longer go to Ken Jenkins. Please send them to Ken Costilow, 621 Virginius Dr., Virginia Beach, Va. 23452 USA. Ken Costilow is now our Vice-President and in charge of Stamps for kids.

### No July - August Issue

Keep in mind that there will not be a Circuit coming to you around August 1. The next issue you receive will come to you about October 1.

Send any information or article to the editor by September 1. We are sure that many of you have very interesting experiences to tell.

## ISWSC

### \* SALES \* CIRCUIT \*

Clean those closets & turn those hoards of duplicates into CASH.

Enter them in the ISWSC Sales Circuit so other members can add them to their albums and add a little money to your pocket.

Write to: ISWSC Sales Circuit  
Roger J. Bergeson (#132)  
1814 Viking Avenue  
Albert Lea, MN 56007  
USA

Have lots of Blank spaces to fill in your albums? Write for a trial selection from the Sales Circuit.

## OMNI EXCHANGE

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STAMP EXCHANGE

Write to: Tom Allison (#42)  
Box 252  
Wilmette, IL 60091

### 'WHATZIT' Answers

- #15 Basic stamp is a Syrian revenue. With the right overprint this is Scott Syrian (Arabian Government) #95-97.
- #17 is Peru, Scott #RA13
- #18 is a local for mail between the cities of Mogodor and Agadin, French Morocco. According to Yvert-Tellier catalog it was issued in 1900.
- #21 My dictionary lists only Iraq and Jordan as using the fils as a currency unit.

### DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE

September 1, 1988

THE EDITOR'S LINE

Before reading this column you've probably noticed that we have crammed the pages as much as we can. That makes it possible to read more, with less printing cost.

So many of you wrote since the last issue. Good work! Much of this "Circuit" is taken up with club business. Not a lot of room has been left for your letters, but they will appear eventually. And others of you who have thought, "I ought to write about...."--Do take out that pen and paper and write! Variety is the spice of life--and worldwide collecting!

If any of you have a problem reading the letter to be sent to new members (which is 1/2 size) or the list of officers, chairpersons and managers (which is 1/4 size) will you please send me a card saying so. I can read them fine, but can you?

Lydia Cohen # 290 suggests Mr. J. A. Cash (APS 86359), 4600 W. Serius Ave. Apt. B-20, Las Vegas, NV 89102 as a very fair dealer. She says his foreign packets are really reasonable in price and anything spent over \$7.50 brings a bonus of some free stamps. Also she has many envelope meters which she would exchange (or reimburse her for her postage).

Alton Clingan #266, 34663 Spring Valley #25, Westland, MI 48185, has high catalogue circuits in which you might have an interest. If so send for the information.

We've been really busy this week that I've been putting the newsletter together. We are making arrangements for Norwood's mother to go to an Intermediate Nursing Care facility. She continues to decline. Norwood and I are now spending nights in their apartment to try to prevent her from falling--which she has done a couple of times. She has Alzheimer's.

It will be 4 months until our next issue. Send your letter or article to me by Sept. 1, and keep sending applications to worldwide collectors. Get a lot of stamps in those albums while you stay in the air conditioning!

Arlene Futrell, Editor #2 RD 1, Box 65, Stokes, NC 27884

GETTING STARTED EARLY

I thought you might like to hear about the collection I'm making for my grandson. He is only 20 months old so I'm getting a good head start!!

I have often thought that children are somewhat put off by heavy-looking volumes of printed pages. It doesn't really grab the color and excitement of the world that can be found in stamp collecting.

I got some bright red blank binders (3 ring) with slip cases (Lighthouse, I think they are).

I went after my huge stack of National Geographics (who can't throw out a National Geographic!). My opening page for a country is a Geographic map--I use the wonderful photography in the magazine to illustrate my album. I try to show the costumes, animals, handicrafts and anything else that helps bring the country to life. I use mint or used covers and postcards--I put in a few pages of used colorful commems. I don't pay any attention to the order of issue or whether they are part of a (To Pg. 8, please)

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY of WORLDWIDE STAMP COLLECTORS
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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City, State, Country, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number (if applicant resides in the USA or Canada) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to trade by mail with other members? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Do you collect? Used \_\_\_ Mint \_\_\_ or Both \_\_\_

How long have you been a world wide collector? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of APS? \_\_\_ APS # \_\_\_\_\_

Member of other philatelic organizations? (list): \_\_\_\_\_

Philatelic References: Give name and mailing address

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

Other References and/or Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

DUES are \$5.00 per year and a donation of 250 different stamps\* per year. (\* All stamps donated by members are given away free to youth groups to encourage stamp collecting among young people.)

Send \$5.00 (USA) DUES for the next 12 months to:
ISWSC
Herbert S. Holland, Sec'y Treas.
825 E. Torrey
New Braunfels, Texas 78130 USA

AND: Send 250 (or more, don't be shy) mint or used STAMPS of any country to:
ISWSC Youth Programs
Kenneth L. Costilow, Vice President
621 Virginius Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23452 USA

You will receive by return mail the By-laws, a membership roster with society officers annotated thereon, a membership card with your official number, and a copy of the official society newsletter, The Circuit. Membership benefits include society stamp exchange, sales circuits and auction, all available at very low cost.

Name of Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ ISWSC # \_\_\_\_\_

## Getting Started Early (Cont'd)

set. I arrange them only for visual appeal.

I'm having so much fun putting it together. (I'm beginning to make a dent in the stack of Geographics). I have also found that travel booklets have lots of colorful and attractive photography.

The collection will never have any value. It is not intended to. It will, I hope, be so bright and colorful that my grandson will think of stamp collecting as fun!

I would enjoy hearing from anyone else who is doing "do it yourself" albums.

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