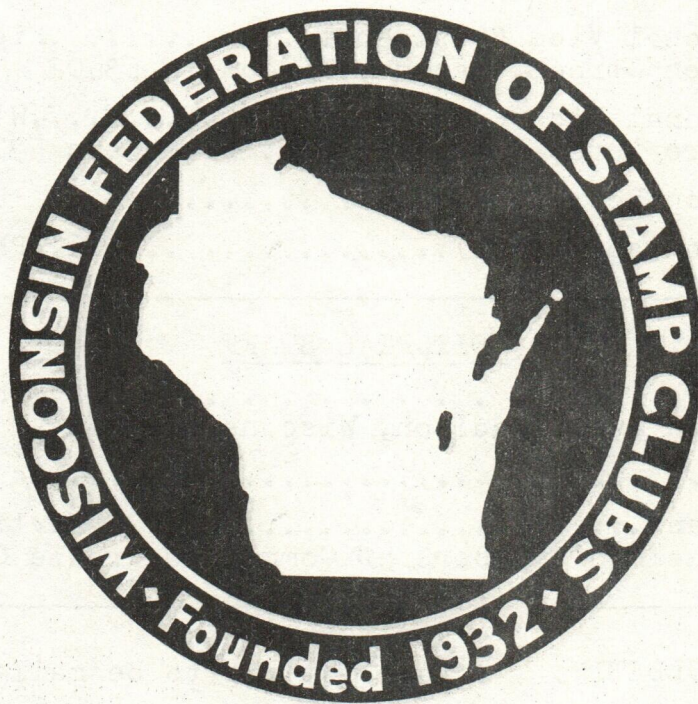


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COMMUNICATING

Adequate two way communication is the life blood of any organization as widely spread and loosely knit as the Federation. The excellent job of keeping the member clubs and individual members informed being done by the BULLETIN editor and the Federation secretary through the Bulletin is of little avail if the members, and particularly the officers of the various clubs, do not make a habit of reading the Bulletin.

Last winter and early spring, I was able to visit only ten member clubs during my term as state vice president, having been incapacitated with a broken elbow. Five of those ten clubs were not aware that they were supposed to vote on various amendments to the Federation by-laws, even though the proposed changes had been discussed in the 1971 Post-Convention BULLETIN. Three of the five clubs took immediate action in my presence when I explained the requirement. At the 1972 Federation convention, only thirteen clubs of the thirty-odd represented submitted votes on the amendments. I must infer that the other clubs were not aware of the situation.

The individual clubs should require complete reports from their delegates to the Federation conventions. Club officers should study the general sections of the Bulletin, particularly in the Post-Convention issue, so that they may be aware of what is going on in the Federation and of what is required of the member clubs.

Keep in mind that the Federation can be only as good and useful as the member clubs want it to be.

Carl R. Skupski,
President WFSC

COMING SHOWS

March 3 & 4, 1973 . . . MILCOPEX

April ?? WFSC Show --Walworth County Philatelic Society



Greetings



May the blessings of this Christmas season be with you and yours, not only through this holiday season, but also through the entire year ahead. Best wishes to all!

Carl R. Skupski, President
Wisconsin Federation of Stamp Clubs



PEACE to all this
Christmas Season
and Joy in every
moment.

*Your Editorial Staff,
Phil, La Rita, & Marty*

WFSC BULLETIN FINANCIAL REPORT

	Fall BULLETIN	Year-to-date
EDITORIAL EXPENSES		
Postage	-	.24
Telephone	-	-
Misc.	-	.97
PRINTING EXPENSES		
Masters	2.87	6.93
Paper	20.52	46.44
Ink	-	3.17
Repair & Maintenance	-	-
Misc.	9.25	23.25
DISTRIBUTION EXPENSES		
BULLETIN postage	22.30	34.89
Misc.	2.24	2.24
	<u>\$57.18</u>	<u>\$118.13</u>
Cost per Post-Convention BULLETIN copy was 7.13¢		
" " Fall " " " "	7.86¢	

EDITORIAL COMMENT

The anonymous contributor who gave \$10 last year toward the WFSC BULLETIN expenses has again donated \$10. Thank-you, on behalf of all Federation members.

The Milwaukee Philatelic Society has prepared colorful stickers advertising MILCOPEX 1974, which will commemorate the 75th anniversary of the MPS. They also will be hosting the SPA meeting in March of 1974. I am sure that they will be glad to send a sheet of these to anyone sending a #10 SASE.

A note to anyone sending in completed pages for insertion into the BULLETIN. Our press run this year is between 775 and 800 copies per issue. The Fond du Lac Philatelic Collectors Club sent in their Christmas ad already run off. Unfortunately, they only sent about 650 copies. We appreciate the thoughtfulness of the Fond du Lac members. If your copy of the BULLETIN doesnot have their Christmas ad, this is the reason.

La Rita & Marty Longseth and the rest of the Preble gang (who are probably still going around in circles from assembling this issue) join with me in wishing you and yours a joyous holiday season and a healthy and philatelically prosperous New Year.

PHIL ROSE

TOPICAL TOPICS

Christmas Greetings



from Queen City
Philatelic Society

TOPICAL TOPICS

"Where do you secure the material?" will be answered in this column. Securing the material for a topical collection is very similar to that for the other phases of philately.

The primary source is a stamp dealer. After visiting quite a few, you will soon learn which ones can supply your wants the best. In Wisconsin we have a number of stamp shows throughout the year where we can patronize our favorite dealers. Several of our larger cities also hold monthly bourses to keep us up to date.

There are also a number of stamp dealers with business stores or who will invite you to their homes for leisurely browsing. When you have found those dealers who can help you the most, let them know what else you are interested in because they see a lot more material than you do and can pick it up for you. While there is no 'firm' obligation on your part to accept it (depending upon the arrangements), do not give the same information to several dealers or they might all come through at the same time and you are going to lose friends--and contacts!

Belonging to one or more of the area stamp clubs is a very good way to acquire new material. Usually it is someone else's duplicates and two of you are happy. Also, by belonging to a club where interests are compatible but not identical, other members will find material for you while looking for themselves. You will find that you will be doing the same before long.

Friendship in philately is a wonderful thing and the more you collect stamps the more you realize it. Friends from near and far are always finding items for you and vice versa. In my elephant collection, my more interesting pieces were not bought by me but found by friends around the world when seeking material for their collections.

Another major source for acquiring material is from the stamp publications that you read to find out what belongs to your topic. These include the major publications as well as the specialty group's bulletins. Want ads from reliable publications should be read and answered when they can help you. However be sure to read the fine print so that you will receive what you want.

Auctions, especially mail auctions, provide a source for the out of the ordinary material, although some routine material is included. That special item, not too plentiful, is apt to be found only

in an auction. And while the beginning collector isn't too interested in acquiring expensive material until he has really decided upon his topic, the advanced collector studies all the auction catalogs looking for something unusual to add to his topic.

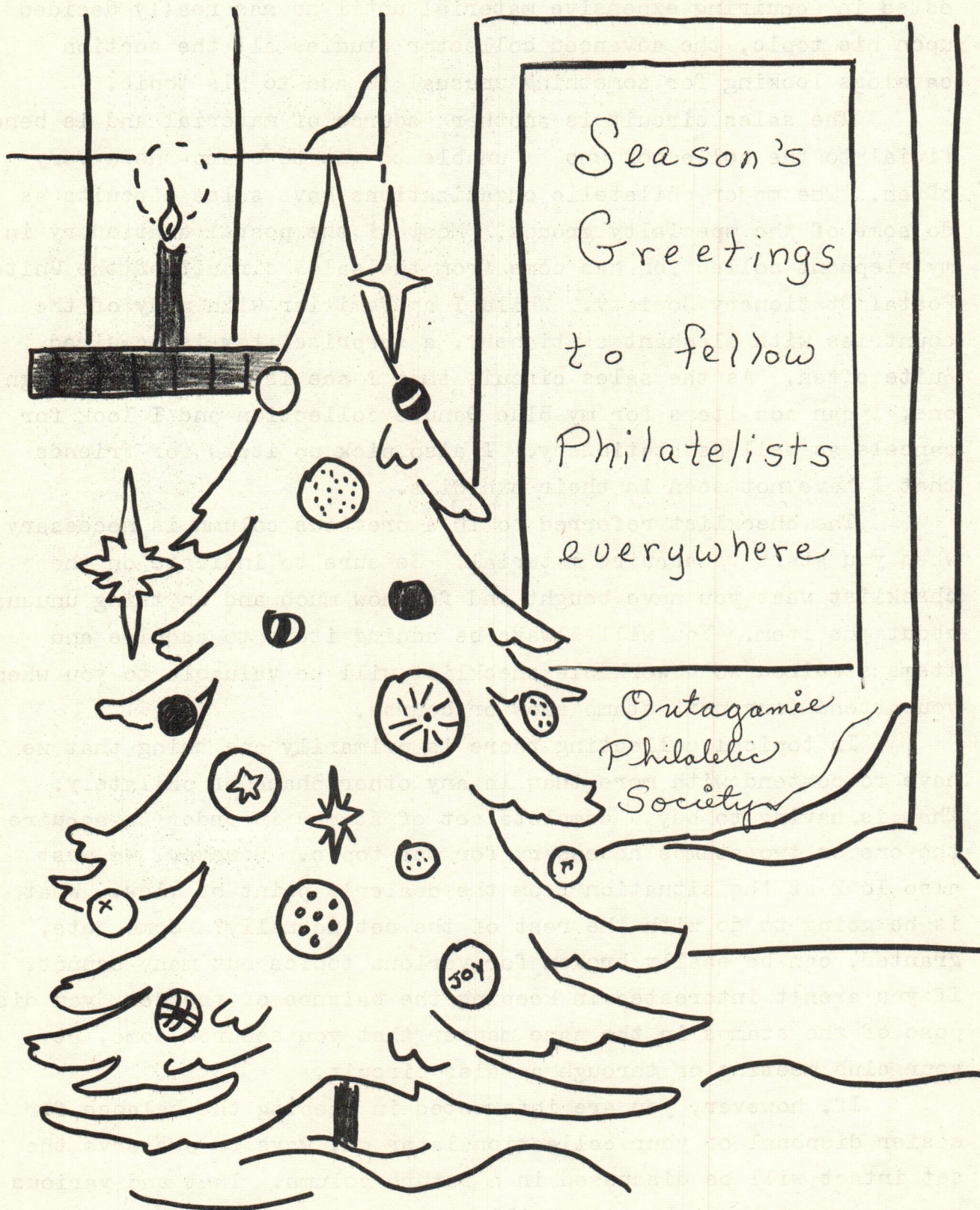
The sales circuit is another source of material and is beneficial to the collector who is unable to get to stamp shows very often. The major philatelic organizations have sales circuits as do some of the specialty groups. Most of the postal stationery in my elephant collection has come from the sales circuit of the United Postal Stationery Society. While I am familiar with many of the countries with elephant stationery, a surprise item is acquired quite often. As the sales circuit that I see is a general foreign one, I can add items for my Blue Danube collection and I look for cancels as well as stationery. I also pick up items for friends that I have not seen in their exhibits.

The checklist referred to in a previous column is necessary when you start to acquire material. Be sure to indicate on the checklist what you have bought and for how much and anything unusual about the item. You will always be adding items to acquire and items acquired so a workable checklist will be valuable to you when you attend your next stamp show or bourse.

In topical collecting there is primarily one thing that we have to contend with more than in any other phase of philately. That is, having to buy a complete set of stamps in order to acquire the one or two stamps necessary for our topic. However, we must also look at the situation from the dealer's point of view. What is he going to do with the rest of the set normally? Some sets, granted, can be easily broken for various topics but many cannot. If you aren't interested in keeping the balance of the set, you dispose of the stamps in the same manner that you secured some, at your club meeting or through a sales circuit.

If, however, you are interested in keeping the balance for easier disposal of your collection later on, ways to preserve the set intact will be discussed in a future column. That and various ways to mount the collection will be presented next time.

Mary Ann Owens
P O Box 191, Waukesha, Wis.



"CLUB NEWS"

WISCONSIN CHAPTER # 5, ATA

The following members were nominated for officers for 1973-74. Election was held on November 16, 1972.

President Art Petri

V. President Art Schmitz

Treasurer Walter Koenig

Secretary Ed. Glaubitz

Board Members Sigfried Toenjes & Dr. Ralph Rank

Meetings for 1973 will be held on the third Wednesday of the month except in July and August when there are none. It is hoped that all our meetings can be held in the community room of First Federal Savings & Loan, 5350 W. Fond du Lac Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. Everyone is always welcome to attend these meetings.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!

-Roger Fehling, President

OUTAGAMIE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

In October two new members were welcomed into the society: William Gresenz and John Kissinger. In November a "Hooked and Rooked" session was held with members showing and telling of items on which they got the worst of a deal or "got stung"; also some instances where a nothing turned out to be something by unexpected increases in value: stamps, covers, & souvenir sheets. Knowing of someone's unfortunate experiences may forwarn other collectors.

Our member, Don Schultz, plans to attend the blast off of Apollo #17 on December 6, 1972 at Cape Kennedy. He also attended the blast-off of Apollo 14 on January 31, 1971.

-Mrs. William J. Stilp, Secretary

COMMODORE PREBLE CHAPTER, USCS

From our view point, the 5th annual Daneplex Show in Madison on November 11 and 12 was the best ever. General Chairman Bill Glennon worked long and hard to insure a smooth running and most successful show.

The annual event (sponsored by Badger Stamp Club, Madison Stamp Club, and Commodore Preble Chapter, USCS) was viewed by a large number of people from Madison and the surrounding area.

All those present were impressed with the fine exhibits. The Post Office, dealer tables, and snack counter were buzzing with lots of activity.

If you have never attended a Daneplex Show, may we suggest you do so in the fall of 1973. It will be a real treat I'm sure.

Another show that will please the philatelic appetite of many collectors will be the 1973 USCS Convention and Show at the Quality Courts Motel, 4916 East Broadway, Madison, Wis., on June 23 & 24. Hope to see you there!

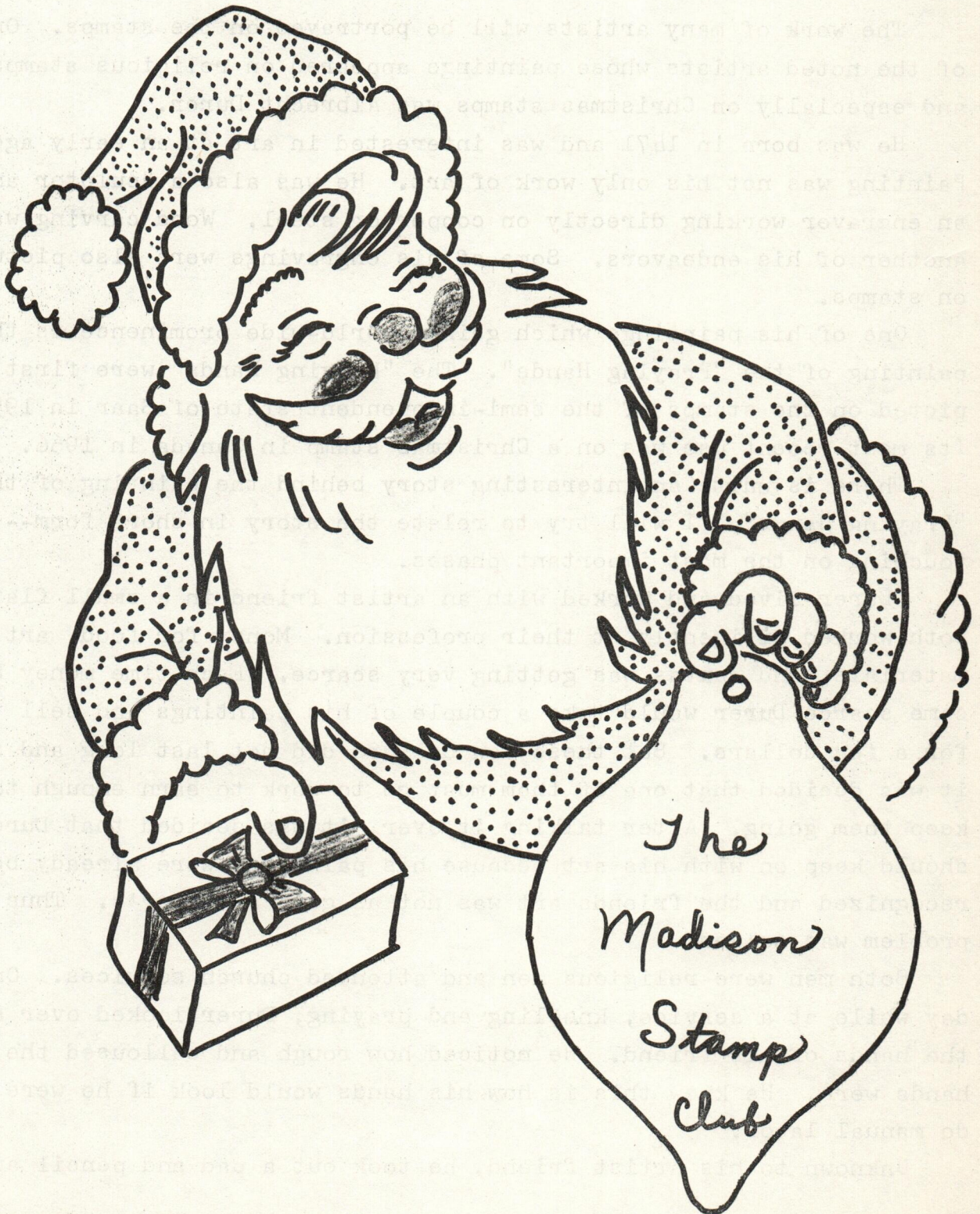
-La Rita M. Longseth, Secretary

"Season's Greetings"-

From the
Manitowish Philatelic
Society

MEETINGS: EVERY 2ND
TUES. EVENING
8:00 PM
CABIN #1
LINCOLN PARK

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



ART ON CHRISTMAS STAMPS

With Christmas just around the corner, many of our stamp collector friends will be watching the emissions of the many countries whose policy it is to issue these special stamps of the Christmas season.

The work of many artists will be portrayed on the stamps. One of the noted artists whose paintings appeared on religious stamps and especially on Christmas stamps was Albrecht Durer.

He was born in 1471 and was interested in art at an early age. Painting was not his only work of art. He was also a sculptor and an engraver working directly on copper or steel. Wood carving was another of his endeavors. Some of his engravings were also pictured on stamps.

One of his paintings which gained world-wide prominence is the painting of the "Praying Hands". The "Praying Hands" were first depicted on the stamps of the semi-independent state of Saar in 1955. Its most recent use was on a Christmas stamp in Canada in 1966.

There is quite an interesting story behind the painting of the "Praying Hands". I will try to relate the story in short form--touching on the most important phases.

Durer lived and worked with an artist friend in a small flat. Both worked diligently at their profession. Money for food, art materials, and canvas was getting very scarce. Each time money became scarce Durer would take a couple of his paintings and sell them for a few dollars. But these few dollars did not last long and so it was decided that one of them must go to work to earn enough to keep them going. After talking it over, it was decided that Durer should keep on with his art because his paintings were already being recognized and the friends art was not as good as Durer's. Thus the problem was solved.

Both men were religious men and attended church services. One day while at a service, kneeling and praying, Durer looked over at the hands of his friend. He noticed how rough and calloused the hands were. He knew this is how his hands would look if he were to do manual labor.

Unknown to his artist friend, he took out a pad and pencil and

sketched those hands with the thought of painting them on canvas. His desire was to give the painting to his friend as a gift of appreciation for his wonderful, unselfish act.

Little did Durer know that those hands would become immortalized. A picture of the "Praying Hands" can be seen daily on station WTMJ-TV at the close of their telecasting day. Upon checking with the Saar stamp, I find the shading etc., is the same.

What love, one friend for another! In these days it is something to think about.

Durer died in 1528, in his later 50's.

An example of his engraving can be seen on the 1970 Easter stamps of Turks and Caicos Island.

--Helen Haensgen
Cudahy, Wis.

"NEW LOOK IN STAMP COLLECTING"

A scarce gorgeous collectors' item of interest to all philatelists is available in very limited quantities as a public service from the American Topical Association, 10,000-member philatelic society with members in 90 lands.

The attractive item is a six-page, lavishly full colored, illustrated stamp article entitled "New Look in Stamp Collecting" from the October, 1970, Reader's Digest. It traces the popular evolution of stamp collecting from classics such as the British Guiana 1¢ magneta to the vast importance and predominance that topical stamp collecting now plays on the philatelic scene.

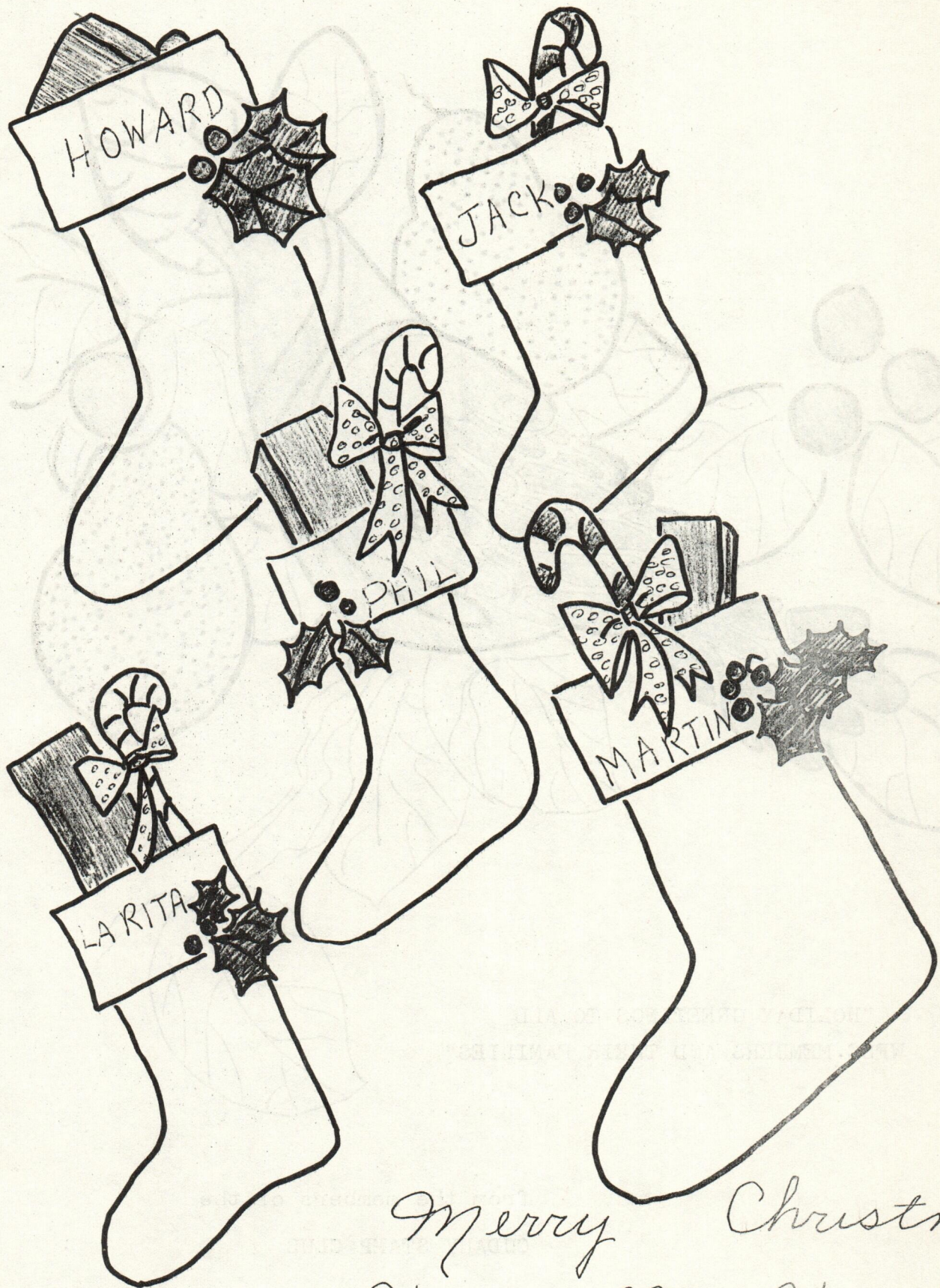
The article traces the history of the ATA from its founding in 1949 and quotes David Lidman, Sylvester Colby, Jerome Husak, etc., regarding the upsurge in topical collecting and tells how one may start a fascinating topical collection in one of more than 738 topics shown on stamps.

Two copies of this article with 45 stamps shown in full color are available by sending only \$1 (10 IRCs) for both copies to Wm. R. D. Craig, 950 North Evergreen Drive, Cedarburg, Wisconsin 53012. The two copies consist of the six page loose article, plus a copy of Reader's Digest 260-page issue, sans cover, so as to facilitate mounting, as the stamp pages are back to back.

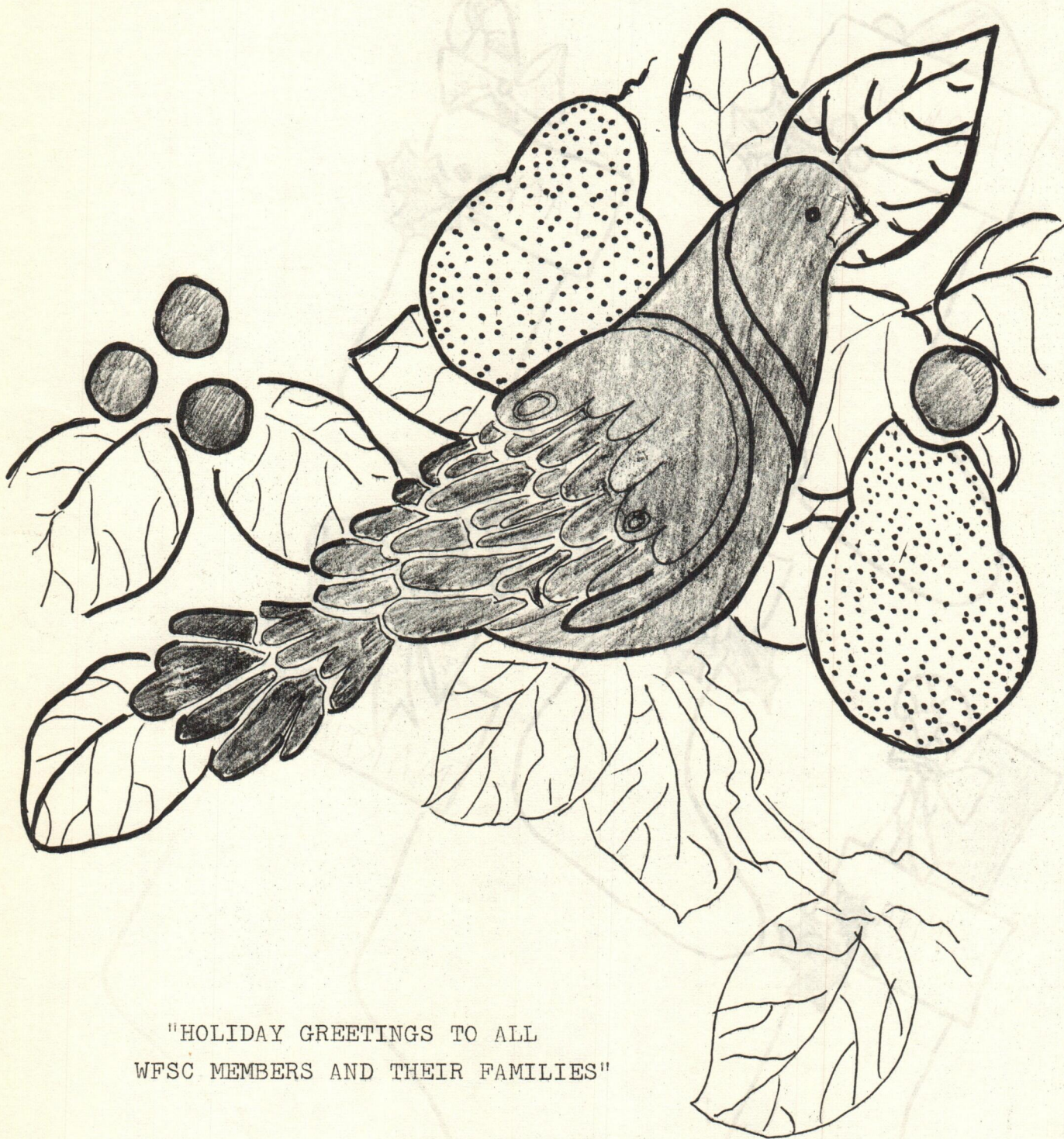
THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE BULLETIN WILL BE THE PRE-CONVENTION ISSUE. DEADLINE FOR MATERIAL TO BE PRINTED IN THIS ISSUE IS MARCH 1, 1973.



From
The
Milwaukee
Philatelic
Society



Merry Christmas
and Happy New Year!
Commodore Preble, USCS



"HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO ALL
WFSC MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES"

from the members of the
CUDAHY STAMP CLUB



Christmas Greetings
OSHKOSH Philatelic Society

WFSC CLUB ROSTER (1972-73)

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* Please send mail to listed mailing address rather than c/o *
* the meeting place, as much of this mail often times gets *
* misplaced! *

AMERICAN TOPICAL ASSOCIATION, WISCONSIN CHAPTER #5

3rd Wed., 7:30 pm, (No July or August meeting) First Federal Savings
and Loan, 5350 W. Fond du Lac, Milwaukee, Wis.

Mail: 5877 N. 67th St., Milwaukee, Wis. 53218

BADGER STAMP CLUB

1st & 3rd Sat., 2pm, Bethany Methodist Church, 3910 Mineral Point
Road, Madison, Wis. 53705

BELLE CITY STAMP CLUB

1st Thurs., 7pm, Wustum Museum, 2519 Northwestern Ave., Racine, Wis.

Mail: c/o Bruce Nelson, 5826 Sunset Blvd. Racine, Wis. 53406

COMMODORE PREBLE CHAPTER, USCS

2nd Sat., Member's homes.

Mail: La Rita Longseth, 417 Wilson Street, Sun Prairie, Wis. 53590

CUDAHY STAMP CLUB

1st Thurs. 7pm, First National Bank of Cudahy, 5656 So. Packard Ave.,
Cudahy, Wis. (downstairs meeting room)

Mail: 3128 E. Grange Ave., Cudahy, Wis. 53110

FOND DU LAC PHILATELIC COLLECTORS CLUB

1st Tues. & 3rd Thurs., Washington School, W. Follett & Doty Street,
Fond du Lac, Wis. (second floor)

GREEN BAY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

3rd Mon., 7:30 pm, YMCA, Pine and Jefferson Sts., Green Bay, Wis.

Mail: 1716 Dousman St., Green Bay, Wis. 54303

JANESVILLE STAMP CLUB, INC.

1st & 3rd Thurs., 7:30 pm, Janesville Chamber of Commerce.

Mail: 2426 Riverview Drive, Janesville, Wis. 53545.

LA CROSSE STAMP CLUB

1st Mon., (monthly) and 3rd Tues. (Sept.-May), 7 pm, Southside Senior
Citizens Center, 12th & Denton, La Crosse

Mail: Dorance Gibbs, 223 N. 20th St., La Crosse, Wis. 54601

LAKESHORE STAMP CLUB

3rd Sat., 1:30 pm, Joseph Mann Library, 1516 16th St., Two Rivers

Mail: c/o John Taddy, 2020 25th St., Two Rivers, Wis. 54241

MADISON STAMP CLUB

1st & 3rd Thur., 7:30 pm, First United Methodist Church, 203 Wiscon-
sin Ave., Madison, Wis.

Mail: c/o Lesa Von Mettenheim, 13 Kingsbury Court, Madison, Wis.
53711

MANITOWOC PHILATELIC SOCIETY

2nd Tues., Cabin #1, Lincoln Park, Manitowoc, Wis.

Mail: c/o Mrs. William Wagner, Sec., Rte. 1, Box 79, Cato, Wis.
54206

MILWAUKEE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

2nd Sat. & 4th Tues., Hotel Plankinton, North Plankinton & West
Michigan, Milwaukee, Wis.

Mail: P.O. Box 1980, Milwaukee, Wis. 53201

NORTHSHORE PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF MILWAUKEE

First National Bank of Glendale.

Mail: E. W. Bock, 4105 N. Newhall St., Milwaukee, Wis. 53211

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL STAMP CLUB

3rd Wed., members' homes.

Mail: James Gilmore, Sec. NMSC, 720 E. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. 53202

OSHKOSH PHILATELIC SOCIETY

1st Tues. & 3rd Mon., Social Services Bldg., 448 Algoma Blvd.,
Oshkosh. (enter at Northeast door)

Mail: Robert Sparks, Sec. OPS, 328 E. Doty St., Neenah, Wis.
54956

OUTAGAMIE PHILATELIC SOCIETY

2nd Thurs., (Sept.-May); First National Bank, 204 W. College
Ave., Appleton (Community Room, lower level)

Mail: 608 Superior St., Appleton, Wis. 54911

PLYMOUTH STAMP CLUB

Every other Tues., 7:30 pm, Dairy State Bank, Plymouth (Board
Room)

Mail: c/o Mrs. J. Freiderichs, 5 Forest Ave., Plymouth, Wis.

PORTAGE COUNTY STAMP CLUB

1st Mon., 7:30 pm, Holiday Inn, Stevens Point.

Mail: c/o Carl L. Farnsworth, 3801 Robert Place, Stevens Point,
Wis. 54481

QUEEN CITY PHILATELIC

3rd Tues., VFW Hall, 436 Main St., Marinette.

Mail: 618 Hosmer St., Marinette, Wis. 54143

REX PHILATELIC SOCIETY

3rd Thurs., 7:30 pm, Rex Chainbelt Inc., West Mitchell Street
Plant. If you plan to attend meeting contact: Walter Jaglowski,
Evergreen 4-3000, Ext. 348

ROCKFORD STAMP CLUB

4th Wed., 7:30 pm, Colonial Bank Building, Alpine Rd., Rockford
Wis. (basement room).

Mail: 4146 Eastridge Drive, Rockford, Illinois. 61107

SHEBOYGAN STAMP CLUB

Every other Wed., 7:30 pm, YMCA, Broughton Drive, Sheboygan.

Mail: P.O. Box 907, Sheboygan, Wis. 53081

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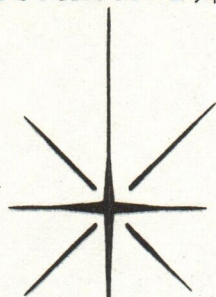
Every other Wed., 6:30 pm, Mead Public Library, No. 7th & New York
Aves. Sheboygan, Wis.

Mail: Vern Witt, 2422 No. 9th St., Sheboygan, Wisconsin 53081

Mail: c/o Raymond Rhymer, Sec., 1506 Burek Ave., Wausau, Wisc. 54401

BUY, SELL, & TRADE STAMPS

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*May the peace and
happiness of
Christmas be
yours today and every day
throughout the coming year*

*this is the wish of
the members of the
Sheboygan
Stamp Club*

NEW ISSUES

UNITED STATES 1973 Program

Nicolaus Copernicus	No date announced
American Art	No date announced
Historic Preservation	No date announced
American Revolution	No date announced
A. P. Giannini	No date announced

UNITED NATIONS 1973 Program

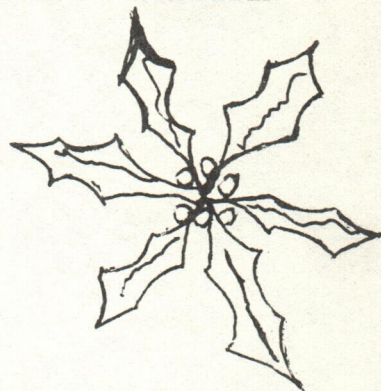
Stationery	January
Disarmament	March
Stop Drug Abuse	April
United Nations Volunteers	May
Namibia	September

CANADA 1973 Program

Prince Edward Island	No date announced
Royal Canadian Mounted Police	No date announced
Algonkian Indians	No date announced
Jeanne Mance	No date announced
Francois Xavier de Laval	No date announced
J. E. H. Mc Donald	No date announced
Nellie Mc Clung	No date announced
Joseph Howe	No date announced
Christmas	No date announced

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With the onset of shorter days, and cold snowy weather, we find we are just as content to remain inside with our collections. May we suggest that these same dds are great for preparing your exhibit for the Wisconsin Federation 1973 Show. How about it?



MERRY

CHRISTMAS

&

HAPPY NEW YEAR

FROM

PHILATELIC

COLLECTOR'S CLUB

FOND du LAC, WISCONSIN



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