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*Meetings*



## ANNUAL MEMBERS EXHIBITION

On Friday evening, April 28th, beginning at 8 P.M. The Masonic Stamp Club of New York will hold its Annual Members Exhibition at the Collectors Club in New York City. This is the banner event on our program for the season and many members are expected to turn out, both to exhibit and to view the showings of their brothers. There are no restrictions as to countries or type of exhibit, except that each member is limited to 32 pages or two frames, plus five minutes for description if this is desired. There will be two classes for judging, general and novice. Anyone may enter the novice group who has not (1) won a first award at an MSC exhibition, (2) won a previous MSC novice award or (3) won any award at an International stamp show. Three prizes will be awarded in each grouping. Let's turn out enmasse and make this the best exhibition ever held by the club. Arrangements are being made by Bro. George Camnitzer.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL DINNER

FRIDAY MAY 6th

MASONIC CLUB 71 W. 23rd STREET.

7 P. M.

Subscription \$ 3.50 per person.  
(see back page for details )

# Masonic Stamp Club of New York

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### VISITOR FROM AUSTRALIA

We had a very pleasant telephone "visit" from Brother T. John Nielsen, of Warragul, Victoria, Australia. Brother Nielsen is a member of The Philatelic Lodge No. 552 A.F.&A.M. of Victoria, and brought fraternal greetings from Brother F.A. Thernhill, Secretary of the Lodge. The visitor phoned late one evening just prior to flying to Norway for a visit with his parents. We talked of friends whom I knew from corresponding and we had a very pleasant chat. Brother Nielsen expressed his regret that he could not stay for one of our meetings and asked to be remembered to all. We were assured that a royal greeting is in store for any of our members who would visit Australia. Thank you, Brother and God-speed on the balance of your trip.

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Harry Henneman will be the Guest Speaker at the April 25th meeting of the Long Island Stamp Club, Franklin Hotel, Jamaica. His subject will be "Music on Stamps". Dr. George Camnitzer of the Long Island club assures that visitors are welcome.

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Frederick  
the Great



Frederick the Great

Frederick II (the Great) King of Prussia. Born January 24, 1712 in Berlin. He was an ardent music student and the flute was his favorite instrument. He surrounded himself with the ablest musicians and under their guidance became very efficient, as a musician and also a composer of music for the flute. His tone, especially in slower motifs was superb, but in allegro movements he lacked in technic.

Frederick the Great was initiated in Brunswick, Germany, on the 14th of August, 1738, not quite two years before he ascended the throne. His initiation was carried out secretly. At his father's death he openly acknowledged himself a Mason, and on June 20, 1740, presided over a Lodge at the Royal Palace of Charlottenburg. He erected the Lodge of Three Globes in Berlin, its first meeting was on September 13, 1740. On June 24, 1744, the Lodge assumed the title of Grand Mother Lodge of the Three Globes. Frederick the Great was nominally the Grand Master.

Another record shows: London Masons founded a Lodge at Hamburg in 1737. In 1742 a Lodge was established at Frankfort. The Hamburg Lodge first came into prominence when Frederick the Great, then Crown Prince, was accepted as a member in 1738.

----Harry Henneman

At a recent meeting of the Club, Jacob S. Glaser and Herman Herst, Jr. were requested to represent the Masonic Stamp Club at the International Stamp Exhibition, London, May 6-13, 1930. Jake, who is also the official representative of the Collectors Club of New York, sailed on the Queen Mary on April 7th, for a trip through France, Italy, Switzerland, Belgium and England, before going to the Show. Pat Herst and his Wife will leave late this month.

The best wishes of all of us to the travelers.

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THE MASONIC STAMP CLUB OF NEW YORK was organized in 1934 for the purpose of encouraging research and study in Masonic Philately and to establish bonds of good fellowship among Masons who are stamp collectors. The need for the organization has proven itself thru the years with its ever increasing membership and the formation of other Masonic stamp clubs in the U.S.

Membership is open to all Master Masons throughout the World who are in good standing in their respective Blue Lodges. The dues of \$ 2.00 per year includes subscription to the Masonic Philatelist which is published monthly by the Club through the Ralph A. Barry Publication Fund.

Application for membership should be addressed to-

Carl E. Pelander, 545 Fifth Avenue, New York, 17, N.Y.

with remittance of \$ 3.00, which includes Initiation Fee of \$ 1.00. Applications must be accompanied by a letter from the Secretary of your Lodge.

All members of the Masonic Stamp Club of New York are eligible to receive the Degree of Master of Philately. This Degree is worked two times each year.

Meetings are scheduled for the first and last Fridays of each month (except during July and August). Meetings are held at The Collectors Club, 22 East 35th St., New York 16, N.W.

Address all inquiries to the Secretary--

Dr. Irwin M. Yarry, 31-12 54th St., Woodside, N.Y.

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Instructions:

Prospective members should fill in the blank on the opposite page, giving all information asked for.

To avoid delay in passing on the application please include satisfactory proof of membership in your Lodge.

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# Masonic Stamp Club of New York

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Applicant's Signature

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NAME: .....

ADDRESS:.....,.....

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City Zone State

LODGE, Name and Location.....

OTHER PHILATELIC AFFILIATIONS:.....

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PHILATELIC ACTIVITY or SPECIALITIES:.....

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Have You Written Any Material For Philatelic  
Or Masonic Publications:.....

Are You Interested In Corresponding:.....

ANY SUGGESTIONS:.....

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## MASONS AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The following cachet appears on the latest of my Masonic covers. -- Mirt.



A 3¢ stamp issued April 20, 1950, commemorates the 150th anniversary of establishment of the national capital in the District of Columbia in 1800. Masons played leading roles in the district's founding. A commission headed by George Washington, Mason, selected the site. Masonic ceremonies marked laying of the district's first cornerstone at Jones Point, April 21, 1791. The Masonic orator on that occasion prophetically said:

"From this stone may a super-structure arise, whose glory, whose magnificence, whose stability, unequalled hitherto, shall astonish the world."

John Hoban, Mason, was architect for the Capitol and White House, and Masonic ceremonies marked cornerstone layings of both.

John A. Mirt, Chicago.

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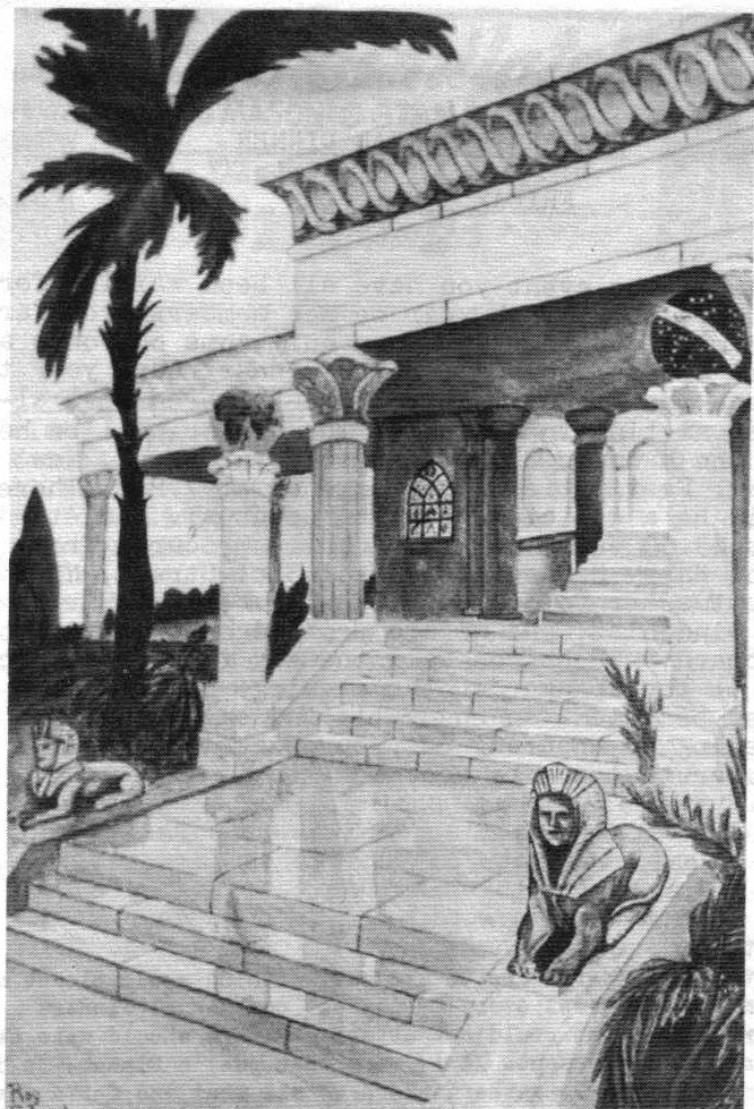
### A.P.S. PUBLIC RELATIONS

Brother H.J.Mandeville, one of our members, has just been appointed Chairman of the Public Relations Committee of the American Philatelic Society. According to H.M.K., Mandy has the whole-hearted co-operation of APS President Cannon, who is the active head of a large printing firm and is interested in encouraging others to enjoy the hobby. (We have just learned from the Temple Stamp News, that Brother Cannon, who is a member of Davenport Lodge No. 37, Davenport, Iowa, was accepted for membership in the Temple Stamp Club.)

As Chairman of the Public Relations Committee it is Mandy's job to help build Philately and thus help the Society. A recent check-up of the Masonic Stamp Club roster indicates that half of the Craftsmen are members of the APS. This prompts Brother Mandeville to arise with the question: "Why not All?"

Complete data on the American Philatelic Society may be had by writing H.J.Mandeville, 405 Olympian Road, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Reproduction of a painting by Brother ROY SCHWARTZ, Senior Deacon of Maspeth Lodge No. 1089. Though painting and stamp collecting are his hobbies, Brother Schwartz supplements his earnings by selling paintings or he will swap for U.S. stamps for his collection. He may be addressed at 541 West 211 St. New York, 34, N.Y.



## SIXTEENTH ANNUAL DINNER

FRIDAY - MAY 6th

This is the event you have all been waiting for. On this night each year we see members from far and wide. Brothers who can only come out once a year always show up for the dinner. Last year the place was so full some of the brethren were almost sitting in the hall. The dinner will be held at the Masonic Club, 71 West 23rd Street, New York. Festivities will commence at 7 P.M. There will be a delicious repast, as usual. Tickets are \$3.50 each, and they can be procured from Bro. Harry Henneman, 28 East 31st Street, NYC. Toastmaster for the dinner will be Bro. Harry L. Lindquist; and we are privileged to have Bro. Richard S. Bohn come all the way from Connecticut to be the speaker of the evening. Nothing more need be said - an enjoyable and entertaining evening is assured. Get your ticket now as the number that can be accommodated is limited.

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### **Brethren:**

As the Club year draws to a close, nothing would please me more than to greet every Brother at our annual dinner. Many of you who could not attend meetings should make every effort to be present. It is more than just a Dinner. It is our Annual Get-to-gether, where we all meet and for a few hours revel in the joys of pure friendship. It is an event that should not be missed.

Went you come so that I may say "Hello Brother".

Russell B. Roane, President.