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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 proved itself through the years with its ever-increasing membership and the formation of other Masonic stamp clubs in the United States.

The Editor invites all members to submit items of information and articles on the subject of Masonic Philately. Typewritten copy and/or camera ready items will result in the best possible presentation of your material if it is selected for use.
WHO'S WHO ON THE "GROUP" STAMPS

by

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Many Freemasons seen on stamps are among the people shown on what I have termed "group stamps." Most of these stamps are designed from paintings or photographs that have a "key" (official or unofficial) indicating the identity of the people shown. Masonic researchers over the years have researched the "keys" to determine which individuals were Freemasons. As a result of such research on U.S. and Canadian "group" stamps, fifty-one (51) Masons have been identified.

It is reasonable to assume that there are many more Masons on the "group" stamps. This presentation has been prepared to facilitate the research process. The following is an alphabetical listing of all men shown on U.S. and Canadian "group" stamps that have a key. The entries prefixed with the symbol ($) identify the Masons. Please note that the entries identified as Masons are only those for which there are confirmed records of Masonic membership or strong evidence supporting membership. The information in parenthesis after the name shows the key number and Scott Catalogue number of the applicable stamp. The actual stamp keys are found after the listing. The pages are in order according to the Scott Catalogue Number.

If, for example, you wish to see the first entry (Adams, John) on the "group" stamps, reference individual No. 20 on USA #854 and No. 31 on USA #1692.

Having one master list showing all individuals greatly reduces time and frustration in determining if a person is shown on one of the group stamps. As we move forward in time, information comes to light on Masonic memberships not previously known, or commonly known (magazines, biographies and so forth). Checking for specific stamps on people is reasonably straight-forward. The "group" stamps, however, present a problem without a systematic process for research. Please keep this listing handy and if you uncover something, please share -- it's all part of the joy of Masonic philately.
MEN SHOWN ON “GROUP” STAMPS

Adams, John, (No. 20 - USA #854), (No. 31 - USA #1692)
Adams, Samuel, (No. 7 - USA #1691)
Archibald, Adams George, (No. 15 - CDN #142), (No. 18 - CDN #224)
Armstrong, John, (No. 17 - USA #644)
Baldwin, Abraham, (No. 26 - USA #798)

§Bartlett, Josiah, (No. 3 - USA #1691);
Evidence fully supports membership but no details of his lodge.

Bassett, Richard, (No. 28 - USA #798)
Bernard, Hewitt, (No. 1 - CDN #142), (No. 2 - CDN #224)

§Blair, John Jr., (No. 12 - USA #798);
Williamsburg Lodge No. 6,
Williamsburg, Virginia
Blount, William, (No. 2 - USA #798)
Bouquet, Henry, (No. 5 - USA #1123)

§Brearley, David, (No. 8 - USA #798);
Member but no details of his lodge.
He was the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.
Brooks, John, (No. 13 - USA #644)
§Broom, Jacob, (No. 27 - USA #798);
Lodge No. 14, Christiana Ferry,
Wilmington, Delaware
Brown, George, (No. 20, CDN #142), (No. 25 - CDN #224)
Burgoyne, John, (No. 6 - USA #644)
Burns, Bernard John, Tech. Sgt., (No. 10, USA #934)
Campbell, Alexander, (No. 14 - CDN #142), (No. 20 - CDN #224)
Carroll, Charles, (No. 16 - USA #1691)

§Carroll, Daniel, (No. 19 - USA #798);
Maryland Lodge No. 16, Baltimore, Maryland
Carter, Frederick Bowker T., (No. 10 - CDN #142)
Cartier, George Etienne, (No. 10 - CDN #224), (No. 18 - CDN #142)
Chandler, Edward Barron, (No. 13 - CDN #142), (No. 5 - CDN #224)
Chapais, Jean Charles, (No. 11 - CDN #142)
Chase, Samuel, (No. 10 - USA #1691)
Clark, Abraham, (No. 29 - USA #1692)
Clinton, George, (No. 8 - USA #1691)
§Clinton, James, (No. 12 - USA #1686 - Background);
Warren Lodge, Little Britain, New York
Clymer, George, (No. 24 - USA #1692), (No. 33 - USA #798)
Cobb, David, (No. 10 - USA #1686d)
Cockburn, James, (No. 24 - CDN #142)
Coles, George H., (No. 22 - CDN #224), (No. 8 - CDN #142)
Dayton, Johathan, (No. 5 - USA #798)
§Dearborn, Henry, (No. 2 - USA #644);
St. John’s Lodge No. 1,
Portsmouth, New Hampshire
Dickey, Robert Barry, (No. 9 - CDN #224), (No. 26 - CDN #142)
§Dickinson, John, (No. 23 - USA #798), (No. 45 - USA #1694);
Lodge No. 18, Dover, Delaware (Pennsylvania charter)
Donaldson, William, Sgt., (No. 14 - USA #934)
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Drinkwater, Charles, (No. 1 - CDN #224)
Dutchess, Merle E., Staff Sgt., (No. 20 - USA #934)
Ellery, William, (No. 23 - USA #1692)
Ellsworth, Oliver, (No. 36 - USA #798); St. John's Lodge, Princeton, New Jersey
Few, William, (No. 24 - USA #798)
Fish, Nicholas, (No. 23 - USA #1686 - Background)
Fisher, Charles, (No. 5 - CDN #142)
Fitzsimmons, Thomas, (No. 10 - USA #798)
Floyd, William, (No. 13 - USA #1691)
Forbes, John, (No. 3 - USA #1123)
Fox, George L., (No. 1, - USA #956); Moose River Lodge No. 82, Concord, Vermont
Franklin, Benjamin, (No. 11 - USA #798), (No. 35 - USA #1693); St. John's Lodge, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Friel, Lawrence J., PFC, (No. 21 - USA #934)
Friscan, Peter, Sgt. (No. 5 - USA #934)
Fritchie, (Frist name not indicated), Sgt., (No. 16 - USA #934)
Galt, Alexander Tillock, (No. 22 - CDN #142), (No. 3 - CDN #224)
Gates, Horatio, (No. 9 - USA #644); Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
Gerry, Elbridge, (No. 15 - USA #798), (No. 20 - USA #1692)
Gilman, Nicholas, (No. 34 - USA #798); St. John's Lodge No. 1, Portsmouth, New Hampshire

Gist, Mordecai, (No. 13 - USA #1686 - Background); Lodge No. 16, Baltimore, Maryland
Goode, Alexander P., (No. 4 - USA #954)
Gorham, Nathaniel, (No. 37 - USA #798)
Grant, James, (No. 6, - USA #1123); Member but no details of his lodge. He was Provincial Grand Master of the lodges in the Southern District of North America in 1768.
Gray, James Hamilton (b. 1814), (No. 28 - CDN #142), (No. 8 - CDN #224)
Gray, John Hamilton (b. 1811), (No. 15 - CDN #224), (No. 6 - CDN #142)
Greaton, John, (No. 1 - USA #644); Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
Hamilton, Alexander, (No. 16 - USA #798), (No. 20 - USA #1686c); Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
Hancock, John, (No. 43 - USA #1694); Merchants Lodge No. 277, Quebec, Canada
Hand, Edward, (No. 15 - USA #1686 - Background); Montgomery Lodge No. 19, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Harrison, Benjamin, (No 5 - USA #1691)
Haskell (First name not indicated), (No. 16 - USA #644)
Haviland, Thomas Heath, (No. 21 - CDN #142)
Henry, William Alexander, (No. 12 - CDN #224), (No. 4 - CDN #142)
Hewes, Joseph, (No. 26 - USA #1692); Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
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Heyward, Thomas Jr. (No. 15 - USA #1691)
Hitchcock, (First name not indicated),
   (No. 14 - USA #644)
§Hooper, William, (No. 25 - USA #1692); Hanover Lodge, Masonboro,
   North Carolina
Hopkins, Stephen, (No. 22 - USA #1692)
Hopkinson, Francis, (No. 30 - USA #1692)
§Huntington, Ebenezer, (No. 18 - USA #1686 - Background); American
   Union Lodge at Roxbury, Massachusetts
Huntington, Samuel, (No. 39 - USA #1693)
Hutson, Robert, Sgt., (No. 17 - USA #934)
Jaros, Stephen, Sgt., (No. 13 - USA #934)
Jefferson, Thomas, (No. 34 - USA #1693)
Johnson, John Mercer, (No. 16 - CDN #224), (No. 34 - CDN #142)
Jordon, Charley, Sgt., (No. 6 - USA #934)
King, Rufus, (No. 35 - USA #798)
§Knox, Henry, (No. 9 - USA #854), (No. 17 - USA #1686 - Background);
   Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
Kowalski, Joseph, Sgt., (No. 19 - USA #934)
§Lafayette, Marquis de, (No. 8 - USA #1686d); Member but no details of
   his lodge.
Langdon, John, (No. 32 - USA #798)
Langevin, Hector Louis, (No. 16 - CDN #142), (No. 6 - CDN #224)
Laurens, John, (No. 21 - USA #1686e)
§Lee, Richard Henry, (No. 6, - USA #1691); Hiram Lodge No. 59,
   Westmoreland County, Virginia
Lewis, Francis, (No. 37 - USA #1693)
§Lewis, Morgan, (No. 4 - USA #644); Lodge No. 3 (now Mount Vernon
   Lodge), Albany, New York
§Lincoln, Benjamin, (No. 4 - USA #1686b); St. Andrew’s Lodge,
   Boston, Massachusetts
Linguiti, Paschall A., Capt., (No. 2 - USA #934)
Livingston, Philip, (No. 48 - USA
§Livingston, Robert, (No. 3 - USA #854), (No. 33 - USA #1693);
   Union Lodge, New York City
Livingston, William, (No. 7 - USA #798)
Ludwick, Howard E., Capt., (No. 12 - USA #934)
Lynch, Thomas Jr., (No. 4 - USA #1691)
Macdonald, Andrew Archibald, (No. 19 - CDN #224), (No. 32 - CDN #142)
§Macdonald, John Alexander, (No. 13 - CDN #224), (No. 17 - CDN #142);
   St. John’s Lodge No. 5, Kingston,
   Ontario, Canada
§Madison, James, (No. 13 - USA #798); Evidence supports membership but
   no details of his lodge.
May, Walter B., PFC, (No. 23 - USA #934)
McCully, Jonathan, (No. 24 - CDN #224), (No. 33 - CDN #142)
McDougall, William, (No. 21 - CDN #224), (No. 30 - CDN #142)
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McGee, Thomas D’Arcy, (No. 11 - CDN #224), (No. 31 - CDN #142)
§McHenry, James, (No. 17 - USA #798);
Spiritual Lodge No. 23,
Baltimore,
Maryland
§McKean, Thomas, (No. 47 - USA #1694); Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
§Mercer, Hugh, (No. 1 - USA #1123);
Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4,
Fredericksburg,
Virginia
Middleton, Arthur, (No. 14 - USA #1691)
Mitchell, Peter, (No. 23 - CDN #142)
Morgan, Daniel, (No. 11 - USA #644)
Morris, Gouverneur, (No. 3 - USA #798)
Morris, Lewis, (No. 12 - USA #1691)
§Morris, Robert, (No. 17 - USA #1692),
Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
Morrow, Jackson L. Jr., Sgt. (No. 25 - USA #934)
Mowat, Oliver, (No. 25 - CDN #142)
§Muhlenberg, John Peter, (No. 16 - USA #1686 - Background); Solomon’s Lodge No. 3, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
§Nelson, Thomas, (No. 36 - USA #1693), (No. 7 - USA #1686d);
Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
O’Hara, Charles, (No. 1 - USA #1686a)
§Otis, Samuel Allyne, (No. 5 - USA #854); Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
Paca, William, (No. 9 - USA #1691)
§Paine, Robert Treat, (No. 21 - USA #1692); Evidence supports membership but not details of his lodge.
Palmer, Edward, (No. 7 - CDN #142), (No. 7 - CDN #224)
Phillips, William, (No. 5 - USA #644)
Pickering, Timothy, (No. 19 - USA #1686 - Background)
Poling, Clark V., (No. 2 - USA #956)
Pope, William Henry, (No. 23 - CDN #224), (No. 29 - CDN #142)
Prescott, William, (No. 10 - USA #644)
§Putnam, Rufus, (No. 12 - USA #644);
American Union Lodge, West Point, New York
§Randolph, Edmund, (No. 14 - USA #798); Williamsburgh Lodge No. 6, Williamsburgh, Virginia (later Richmond Lodge No. 10
§Read, George, (No. 18 - USA #798),
(No. 44 - USA #1694); Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
Riedesel, Friedrich A. Von, (No 7 - USA #644)
Ruby, James M., Capt., (No. 7 - USA #934)
Rush, Benjamin, (No. 19 - USA #1692)
Rutledge, Edward, (No. 46 - USA #1694)
§Scammell, Alexander, (No. 3 - USA #644); St. John’s Lodge No. 1,
Portsmouth, New Hampshire
Schmidt, (First name not indicated.), Lt.,
(No. 11 - USA #934)
Schroder, Edward F., Tech. Sgt., (No. 9 - USA #934)
Schuyler, Philip, (No. 18 - USA #644)
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Sessoms, Robert F., (No. rank indicated), (No. 27 - USA #934)
Shannon, Bernard E., Private, (No. 24 - USA #934)
Sharpe, James C., Lt., (No. 3 - USA #934)
Shea, Ambrose, (No. 12 - CDN #142)
§Sherman, Roger, (No. 12 - USA #854), (No. 32 - USA #1693), (No. 38 - USA #798); Evidence supports membership but no details of his lodge.
Smith, Robert L., Staff Sgt., (No. 18 - USA #934)
Spaan, Ralph, Lt., (No. 1 - USA #934)
Spinnia, Eugene, Private, (No. 22 - USA #934)
§St. Clair, Arthur, (No. 4 - USA #854); Membership established but no details of his lodge.
Steeves, William Henry, (No. 14 - CDN #224), (No. 2 - CDN #142)
§Steuben, Friedrich von, (No. 17 - USA #854), (No. 9 - USA #1686d); Trinity Lodge No. 10 (now No. 12), New York City, New York
Stevens, Ebenezer, (No. 5 - USA #1686 - Background)
§Stewart, Walter, (No. 22 - USA #1686e); Pennsylvania Union Lodge No. 29
§Stockton, Richard, (No. 11 - USA #1691); St. John's Lodge, Princeton, New Jersey
Taché, Etienne Paschel, (No. 19 - CDN #142)
Terry, Homer L., Sgt., (No. 15 - USA #934)

Thoenke, George W., Lt., (No. 4 - USA #934)
Thomson, Charles, (No. 42 - USA #1694)
Tilley, Samuel Leonard, (No. 17 - CDN #224), (No. 9 - CDN #142)
Tobler, Walter E., Lt., (No. 8 - USA #934)
Troup (First name not indicated), (No. 15 - USA #644)
Trumbull, Jonathan Jr., (No. 11 - USA #1686d)
Tupper, Charles B., (No. 27 - CDN #142), (No. 4 - CDN #224)
Von Riedel, Friedrich A., (No. 7 - USA #644),
§Von Steuben, Friedrich, (No. 17 - USA #854), (No. 9 - USA #1686d); Trinity Lodge No. 10 (now No. 12), New York City, New York
§Walton, George, (No. 27 - USA #1692); Solomon's Lodge No. 1, Savannah, Georgia
§Washington, George, (No. 13 - USA #854), (No. 30 - USA #798), (No. 4 - USA #1123), (No. 6 - USA #1686c); Alexandria Lodge No. 22, Alexandria, Virginia (re-named Washington Alexandria Lodge)
Washington, John P., (No. 3 - USA #956)
Wayne, Anthony, (No. 14 - USA #1686 - Background)
Whelan, Edward, (No. 3 - CDN #142)
Whipple, William, (No. 2 - USA #1691)
Whilesell, Robert H., (No rank indicated), (No. 26 - USA #934)
Wilkinson, James, (No. 8 - USA #644)
MEN SHOWN ON “GROUP” STAMPS

Williams, William, (No. 40 - USA #1693)  Witherspoon, John, (No. 38 - USA #1693)
Williamson, Hugh, (No. 9 - USA #798)   Wolcott, Oliver, (No. 41 - USA #1693/4)
Willing, Thomas, (No. 18 - USA #1692)  Wythe, George, (No. 1 - USA #1691)
Wilson, James, (No. 28 - USA #1692), (No. 4 - USA #798)

There are two Freemasons who should be on this list but unfortunately they cannot be identified on the stamp that should include them. These two individuals are Gunning Bedford Jr. (Washington Lodge No. 14 -- now No. 1, Delaware) and William Paterson (Trenton Lodge No. 5, Trenton, N.J.). They both signed the U.S. Constitution so should be identifiable on USA #798. This stamp was designed after a painting by Janius B. Stearns. The actual painting reasonably includes more individuals than we see on the stamp. Unfortunately, the only key I have (see pages following) refers to the stamp and not the actual painting. We might reason that Bedford and Paterson are among those delegates who are shown as “Not Identified” on the key. It appears the stamp designer consciously included only thirty-nine delegates in the stamp design to represent just the signers. We know that there were thirty-nine (39) signers, and the stamp shows exactly that number of individuals. However, according to the key, Edmund Randolph, Elbridge Gerry and Oliver Ellsworth who did not sign the Constitution are in the group shown. Nevertheless, in reality there were up to forty-six (46) delegates in attendance at the Constitution Convention on September 17, 1787. In all, fifty-five delegates went to the convention but no more that forty-six attended the meetings at any one time. The following is a list of the signers of the Constitution. The Masons are identified with the symbol ($) .

Baldwin, Abraham  Fitzsimmons, Thomas  Mifflin, Thomas
Bassett, Richard  Franklin, Benjamin  Morris, Gouverneur
Bedford, Gunning, Jr.  Gilman, Nicholas  Morris, Robert
Blair, John  Gorham, Nathaniel  Paterson, William
Blount, William  Hamilton, Alexander  Pickney, Charles
Brearley, David  Ingersoll, Jared  Pickney, Charles C.
Broom, Jacob  Jenifer, Daniel of St. Thomas  $Read, George
Butler, Pierce  Johnson, William S.  Rutledge, John
Carroll, Daniel  King, Rufus  Sherman, Roger
Clymer, George  Langdon, John  Spaight, Richard Dobbs
Dayton, Johathan  Livingston, William  $Washington, George
Dickinson, John  Madison, James  Williamson, Hugh
Few, William  McHenry, James  Wilson, James
KEYS TO "GROUP" STAMPS

CDN #142, ISSUED 1927
THE FATHERS OF CONFEDERATION
(From the painting by Robert Harris)

1. Hewitt Bernard (Secretary)
2. William Henry Steeves
3. Edward Whelan
4. William Alexander Henry
5. Charles Fisher
6. John Hamilton Gray (b. 1811)
7. Edward Palmer
8. George H. Coles
9. Samuel Leonard Tilley
10. Frederick Bowker T. Carter
11. Jean Charles Chapais
12. Ambrose Shea
13. Edward Barron Chandler
14. Alexander Campbell
15. Adams George Archibald
16. Hector Louis Langevin
17. John Alexander Macdonald
18. George Etienne Cartier
19. Etienne Paschel Taché
20. George Brown
21. Thomas Heath Haviland
22. Alexander Tilloch Galt
23. Peter Mitchell
24. James Cockburn
25. Oliver Mowat
26. Robert Barry Dickey
27. Charles B. Tupper
28. James Hamilton Gray (b. 1814)
29. William Henry Pope
30. William McDougall
31. Thomas D'Arcy McGee
32. Andrew Archibald Macdonald
33. Jonathan McCully
34. John Mercer Johnson

NOTE: Fathers who did not attend the Quebec Conference and are not shown in the painting are William P. Howland, John W. Ritchie and Robert D. Wilmot. Fathers who did not attend but are shown in the painting are William McDougall and Thomas D'Arcy McGee.
KEYS TO “GROUP” STAMPS

CDN #224, ISSUED 1935
CHARLOTTETOWN CONFERENCE
(From the photograph by G. P. Roberts)

1. Charles Drinkwater
2. Hewitt Bernard
3. Alexander Tillock Galt
4. Charles Tupper
5. Edward Barron Chandler
6. Hector Louis Langevin
7. Edward Palmer
8. John Hamilton Gray (b. 1814)

9. Robert Barry Dickey
10. George Etienne Cartier
11. Thomas D’Arcy McGee
12. William Alexander Henry
13. John Alexander Macdonald
14. William Henry Sceves
15. John Hamilton Gray (b. 1811)
16. John Mercer Johnson
17. Samuel Leonard Tilley
18. Adams George Archibald
19. Andrew Archibald Macdonald
20. Alexander Campbell
21. William McDougall
22. George H. Coles
23. William Henry Pope
24. Jonathan McCully
25. George Brown
KEYS TO “GROUP” STAMPS

USA #644, ISSUED 1927
SURRENDER OF GENERAL BURGOYNE
(From the painting Surrender at Saratoga by John Trumbull)

1. John Greaton
2. Henry Dearborn
3. Alexander Scammell
4. Morgan Lewis
5. William Phillips
6. John Burgoyne

7. Friedrich A. Von Riedesel
8. James Wilkinson
9. Horatio Gates
10. William Prescott
11. Daniel Morgan
12. Rufus Putnam

13. John Brooks
14. Hitchcock*
15. Troup*
16. Haskell*
17. John Armstrong
18. Philip Schuyler

*First name not indicated.
KEYS TO "GROUP" STAMPS

USA #798, ISSUED 1937
SIGNING OF THE CONSTITUTION
(From a painting by Janius B. Stearns)

1. (Not Identified)  11. Benjamin Franklin
5. J ohathan Dayton  15. Elbridge Gerry
6. (Not Identified)  16. Alexander Hamilton
8. David Brearley  18. George Read
10. Thomas Fitzsimmons  20. (Not Identified)
21. (Not Identified)  31. Robert Morris
22. (Not Identified)  32. John Langdon
23. John Dickinson  33. George Clymer
24. William Few  34. Nicholas Gilman
25. (Not Identified)  35. Rufus King
26. Abraham Baldwin  36. Oliver Ellsworth
27. Jacob Broom  37. Nathaniel Gorham
29. (Not Identified)  39. (Not Identified)
30. George Washington
USA #854, ISSUED 1939
WASHINGTON TAKING THE OATH OF OFFICE, FEDERAL BUILDING, NEW YORK CITY
(Primarily from the painting Washington's First Inauguration by Alonzo Chappel)

1. (Not Identified) 7. (Not Identified) 13. George Washington
2. (Not Identified) 8. (Not Identified) 14. (Not Identified)
5. Samuel Allyne Otis 11. (Not Identified) 17. Friedrich von Steuben
6. (Not Identified) 12. Roger Sherman 18. (Not Identified)
19. (Not Identified) 20. John Adams
21. (Not Identified) 22. (Not Identified)
KEYS TO "GROUP" STAMPS

USA #934, ISSUED 1945
UNITED STATES TROOPS PASSING ARCH OF TRIUMPH, PARIS
(From the photograph by Peter J. Carroll)

NOTE: Soldiers are identified by number on the foregoing photograph. The above number bar shows the field in which the identification numbers are found.

1. Ralph Spaans (Lt.)
2. Paschall A. Linguiti (Capt.)
3. James C. Sharpe (Lt.)
4. George W. Thoemke (Lt.)
5. Peter Friscean (Sgt.)
6. Charley Jordon (Sgt.)
7. James M. Ruby (Capt.)
8. Walter E. Tobler (Lt.)
9. Edward F. Schroder (Tech. Sgt.)
10. Bernard John Burns (Tech. Sgt.)
11. Schmidt (Lt.)*
12. Howard E. Ludwick (Capt.)
13. Stephen Jaros (Sgt.)
14. William Donaldson (Sgt.)
15. Homer L. Terry (Sgt.)
16. Fritchie (Sgt.)*
17. Robert Huston (Sgt.)
18. Robert L. Smith (Staff Sgt.)
19. Joseph Kowalski (Sgt.)
20. Merle E. Dutchess (Staff Sgt.)
21. Lawrence J. Friel (PFC)
22. Eugene Spinnlar (Private)
23. Walter B. May (PFC)
24. Bernard E. Shannon (Private)
25. Jackson L. Morrow Jr. (Sgt.)
26. Robert H. Whitesell*
27. Robert P. Sessions*
KEYS TO "GROUP" STAMPS

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USA #956, ISSUED 1948
FOUR CHAPLAINS AND SINKING S.S. DORCHESTER

1. George L. Fox
2. Clark V. Poling
3. John P. Washington
4. Alexander P. Goode
KEYS TO “GROUP” STAMPS

USA #1123, ISSUED 1958
BRITISH CAPTURE OF FORT DUQUESNE
(Primarily from an engraving by T.R. Smith that was from a painting by J. R. Chapin)

1. Hugh Mercer (Col.)
2. (Not Identified)
3. John Forbes (General)
4. George Washington (Col.)
5. Henry Bouquet (Col.)
6. James Grant (Major)
7. (Not Identified)
8. (Not Identified)
KEYS TO "GROUP" STAMPS

USA #1686, ISSUED 1976
SURRENDER OF CORNWALLIS AT YORKTOWN
(From a painting by John Trumbull)

1. Charles O'Hara
2. (Not Identified)
3. (Not Identified)
4. Benjamin Lincoln
5. Ebenezer Stevens
6. George Washington
7. Thomas Nelson
8. Marquis de Lafayette
9. Friedrich von Steuben
10. David Cobb
12. James Clinton
13. Mordecai Gist
14. Anthony Wayne
15. Edward Hand
16. John Peter Muhlenberg
17. Henry Knox
18. Ebenezer Huntington
19. Timothy Pickering
20. Alexander Hamilton
21. John Laurens
22. Walter Stewart
23. Nicholas Fish
KEYS TO “GROUP” STAMPS

USA #1691 TO 1694, ISSUED 1976
DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE
(From a painting by John Trumbull)

1. George Wythe
2. William Whipple
3. Josiah Bartlett
4. Thomas Lynch Jr.
5. Benjamin Harrison
6. Richard Henry Lee
7. Samuel Adams
8. George Clinton
9. William Paca
10. Samuel Chase
11. Richard Stockton
12. Lewis Morris
13. William Floyd
15. Thomas Heyward Jr.
16. Charles Carroll
17. Robert Morris
18. Thomas Willing
19. Benjamin Rush
20. Elbridge Gerry
21. Robert Treat Paine
22. Stephen Hopkins
23. William Ellery
24. George Clymer
25. William Hooper
26. Joseph Hewes
27. George Walton
28. James Wilson
29. Abraham Clark
30. Francis Hopkinson
31. John Adams
32. Roger Sherman
33. Robert Livingston
34. Thomas Jefferson
35. Benjamin Franklin
36. Thomas Nelson
37. Francis Lewis
38. John Witherspoon
39. Samuel Huntington
40. William Williams
41. Oliver Wolcott
42. Charles Thomson
43. John Hancock
44. George Read
45. John Dickinson
46. Edward Rutledge
47. Thomas McKean
48. Philip Livingston

NOTE: An American Bicentennial Souvenir Sheet (USA #1687) issued in 1976, shows a part of the same painting. The eighteen delegates shown on this sheet are Numbers 31 through 48.
To: Editors of Masonic Publications

2001 ROSE PARADE MASONIC FLOAT

In our continuing effort to present the FAMILY OF FREEMASONRY to the public and generate interest in the fraternity, the Float Task Force has again been authorized to enter a float in the 2001 ROSE PARADE.

The theme of the 2001 Parade is "FABRIC OF AMERICA". Our 35 foot float will be titled "LET FREEDOM RING" and will feature a replica of the famous Liberty Bell as the centerpiece, as well as the original 13-star flag and a scroll depicting the Constitution. On each side of the Constitution, there will be a DeMolay, a Job's Daughter and a Rainbow girl symbolically guarding the Constitution and ensuring its continued use in the future. Details are described in the enclosed flyer which we hope you will publish in your communications medium.

The FAMILY OF FREEMASONRY floats have been receiving much attention over the years. Live television interviews were held at some floats. One of our floats was selected as the visual lead on prime-time television news. Newspaper articles identified some of our floats as being among the best crowd pleasers in the Parade. The 1990 float was awarded the Lathrop K. Leishman trophy for the most beautiful entry from a non-commercial sponsor. The 2000 float, Statue of Liberty, was also very impressive.

The return from the investment in the float program is difficult to determine. However, its primary purpose is to expose the principles of Freemasonry and its organization to the public in a manner that will attract future members. We have continued to emphasize the charitable work of the fraternity, its patriotic role in shaping democracy, its history, the many organizations which comprise the Family of Freemasonry and its youth organizations.

The 2001 float will be the tenth consecutive float sponsored in the Rose Parade, nine of which have been funded by voluntary contributions from Lodges, Grand Lodges of other jurisdictions, concordant and appendant organizations in the Family of Freemasonry and individuals. Unfortunately, the voluntary support has gradually diminished to the extent that we are not able sustain a continued yearly appearance in the Rose Parade without other financial support. At the same time, the cost of sponsorship is generally increasing. Regrettably, it will be necessary to terminate this great Public Relations program after the year 2001, unless a more reliable fund raising program can be identified.

We would appreciate your assistance in publicizing the float in one or more issues of your publications.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Stanley L. Channon, PGM
Chairman

David C. Decker
Deputy Grand Master
FREEDOM SYMBOLS RIDE ON MASONIC FLOAT

Three of America’s most significant symbols of freedom — the Liberty Bell, Constitution and the 1777 design of the Stars and Stripes — will decorate the Family of Freemasonry float in the 2001 Tournament of Roses Parade on New Year’s Day, it has been announced by Stanley Channon, Chairman of the Float Task Force.

Embracing the parade theme, Fabric of America, the 35 ft. float will be entitled “Let Freedom Ring,” with the Liberty Bell centered in the middle of the colorful Masonic entry. As the float heads down Colorado Blvd. in Pasadena on Jan. 1, the sound of the bell will be heard along the parade route and ring clearly in the homes of millions of viewers around the world.

THE 2001 FLOAT continues the patriotic Masonic message of last year when the Statue of Liberty was featured. Previously, the modern American flag and a soaring eagle had been highlighted on floats by the world’s largest fraternity.

“We wish to remind viewers that Freemasons played a large part in the founding of America,” said Channon, a Past Grand Master of California Masons.

Carrying on that heritage will be six riders on the float from Masonically related youth organizations, Demolay, Job’s Daughters and Rainbow For Girls.

THE BELL ON THE FLOAT is similar in size to the original bell which was 12 ft. in circumference and weighed 2,080 lbs., but it will be made from a reinforced wire structure covered with foam as a base for decorations.

Those decorations will consist of a combination of pine, paper and redwood bark to create the color and highlights, according to Bill Lothouse of Phoenix Decorating, designer of the float. White carnation and gladiolus petals, along with dried and fresh materials, will also be used.

The famous crack which resulted when it was tolled in 1835 at the funeral of Chief Justice John Marshall will be visible on the bell.

DRESSED IN THE REGALLA of their organizations, the six young people will be seated on each side of the Constitution which will be fashioned from corn husks, onion seed and seaweed to create the lettering.

Whole red and white carnations, blue and white statice, white rice and carnation and gladiolus petals and a base of white rice and carnations will surround the flag. Roses, gerbera daisies and chrysanthemums will complete the base.

THE INK WELL at the front of the float and the quilt will be made from seaweed, dried materials, white orchids, dried straw flowers and fresh carnation petals.

DEPUTY GRAND MASTER David C. Decker reminds us that a number of prominent leaders who framed the document portrayed on the float were Freemasons who used the Constitutions of Freemasonry as the basis for the Constitution of the United States.

Contributions Needed
Masons throughout the world are asked to contribute to the cost of sponsoring the Family of Freemasonry float. You may do so by sending your donations made payable to Rose Parade Masonic Float, to Donald A. Journey, treasurer, 608 Los Olivos Dr., San Gabriel, CA 91775-1617. Merchandise order forms are also available. Please note that contributions are not deductible.

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I am directing for publications in "The Masonic Philatelist" the last innovations of the Masonic philately of Brazil.

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September 02 - 130 Years of the Masonic Lodge "Zur Friedenspalme" founded by Hermann Blumenau.

Postal of the city of Blumenau (modern and old) emitted by the Mail of Brazil, with limited circulation (only 5,000 copies), with the two Commemorative Cancellations.

The interested ones can acquire them through the Masonic Philatelic Club of Brazil – PO Box 3085 – 88010-970 Florianópolis – SC – Brazil.

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Fraternally and Respectfully

[Signature]

Bro. Dr. Renato Mauro Schramm P.'M.'
President
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Dear Brother,

On 7th September 2000, Concord Lodge #79 A.F. & A.M. on the Grand Registry of
British Columbia, Canada, celebrates its 1000th Communication.

As a stamp collector (I do not rate myself as a philatelist), I thought a commemorative
envelope to celebrate this occasion would be ideal. Consequently this was agreed to and I
enclose a copy herewith.

Would you please be good enough to include this item in your next available issue of The
Philatelic Freemason. A small card enclosed in the envelope gives a thumb-nail sketch of the
Lodge beginnings.

Anyone who wishes to obtain a numbered copy (or copies) of this item can do so by
forwarding the sum of $3.00 to:

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BRIEF HISTORY OF CONCORD LODGE #79, A.F. & A.M. B.C.
On 26th March 1914, the first meeting of Charter members was held
with W.M. W.Bro. W.W. LEWIS of Ashlar Lodge; S.W. Charles R.
HARDY & J.W. Richard P. WALLIS. On 19th May 1914, a
Dispensation was formally granted by M.W. Bro. Wm. HENDERSON,
Grand Master & M.W. Bro. W.A. DeWOLF-SMITH, Grand Secretary.
The first Regular meeting was held on 26th May 1914. The second
meeting held on 4th June 1914, resulted in the name 'CONCORD' being
chosen.
There have been 83 Masters of Concord Lodge #79, between the
years 1914 and 2000.
The membership fees at the inception of the Lodge were $1.00 per
month.
The Lodge was formally constituted JULY 5th, 1915.