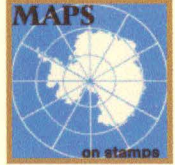


THE AMERICAN TOPICAL ASSOCIATION

**RETURNS TO ITS BIRTHPLACE
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN**

FOR



NATIONAL TOPICAL STAMP SHOW 2011

AT

SHERATON MILWAUKEE BROOKFIELD HOTEL

JUNE 24 10 A.M. - 5 P.M.

JUNE 25 10 A.M. - 6 P.M.

JUNE 26 10 A.M. - 3 P.M.

SOUVENIR PROGRAM





The Scouts on Stamps Society International (SOSSI) celebrates its 60th anniversary at NTSS 2011. SOSSI is a nonprofit organization composed of international philatelists who specialize in world-wide philatelic material relating to Scouting. Its purpose is to assemble information regarding philatelic material honoring the Scouting movement and promote interest in Scouts on stamps. Thousands of Scout stamps have been issued starting in 1918 with more than 100 nations issuing stamps honoring the centennial of Scouting in 2007.

The United States issued a Scouting stamp on July 27, 2010 with the first day of issue at the Boy Scouts of America National Scout Jamboree at Fort A. P. Hill in Virginia as the BSA celebrated its 100th anniversary. Several stamps have been issued through the years honoring the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl Scouts of the United States of America (GSUSA). In 1948, a stamp was issued honoring Juliette Gordon Low, founder of GSUSA, including the Girl Scout emblem, and is considered the first US Scouting stamp. Girl Scout stamps also were issued in 1962 and 1987, their 50th and 75th anniversaries. Boy Scout stamps were issued in 1950, 1960 and 1985 for their 40th, 50th and 75th anniversaries. The Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts were honored jointly in 1998 on one of the stamps in the 1910's *Celebrate the Century* sheetlet. The 1967 World Jamboree in Idaho was commemorated with an airmail postal card. Numerous US Scouting pictorial postmarks have been used over the years including over 80 in 2010 for the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.

SOSSI publishes the *SOSSI Journal* six times a year. Through this Journal, members are informed of new issues, research on classic early issues of Scouting stamps, and previously unreported facts about earlier issues, covers, cancellations, etc. The Journal also provides information on SOSSI news, such as the annual general meeting, and has advertising by Scout stamp dealers and member individual ads.

Membership is open to anyone interested in topical or thematic Scouts on stamps. The membership year is January through December with an annual fee of \$15 in the U. S. A., Canada, or Mexico, and \$18.00 for the rest of the world. The dues structure is prorated for those who join during the year. For those who join at NTSS 2011, a payment of \$23 will pay for membership through 2012; for overseas members the fee is \$27 in U. S. dollars. Payment may also be made through PayPal. Visit the SOSSI website or contact the SOSSI secretary for PayPal payment details.

For additional information, visit the SOSSI website: www.sossi.org or contact SOSSI Secretary Lawrence E. Clay, P. O. Box 6228, Kennewick, WA 99336; or email: lclay3731@charter.net



NTSS 2011 EXHIBITS

COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS

- 1 *Our Wisconsin* by Kettle Moraine Coin & Stamp Club. Compilation of pages prepared by club members around the central theme "Our Wisconsin."
- 2 - 5 *TOPEX - NTSS*
- 6 - 10 *Today is June 24* by American Philatelic Society. Every day of the year over the centuries has had many happenings connected with that day. Mary Ann Owens chose June 24, her birthday, to show events related to her special day.
- 11 -17 *Circus Wagons* by Dalene Thomas. Using illustrated covers, this exhibit tells the story of circus wagons.
- 18 - 25 *100th Anniversary - Boy Scouts of America* by Richard P. Grosshans. A philatelic display of material from across this nation and from around the world in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.
- 26 - 30 *National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America on Covers, Scouting Collectibles* by James Fabbre. To show where and when the jamboree took place, and to show the different types of cancellations.
- 31 - 40 *The Donkey in Man's World* by Robert J. Mather. This exhibit acquaints you with the donkey and highlights its place in the world and its relationship with man.
- 41-48 *Wolf* by Fred Ziemann. The life story of the wolf, its habits and habitat, the present, past and future relationship between wolves and people.
- 49 - 55 *Paul von Lettow-Vorbeck: The Events and Times That Molded the Man* by Edwin J. Andrews. Display exhibit detailing the life of the German general who would become a national hero, colonial activist, politician and author.
- 56 - 63 *The Murder of Lidice* by Phil Rhoades. Tells the destruction of Lidice in retaliation for the assassination of Reinhard Heydrich, the Nazi governor of occupied Czechoslovakia.
- 64 - 68 *The Story of Lloyd's: From Coffee to Commerce* by Dr. Norma Nielson. This display division exhibit relates highlights of the 300+ year history of the world famous insurance market, interspersing details about the interaction of Lloyd's with postal authorities along with more conventional historical details.