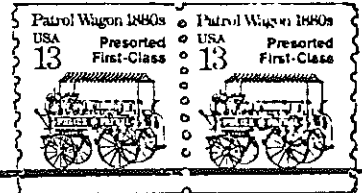
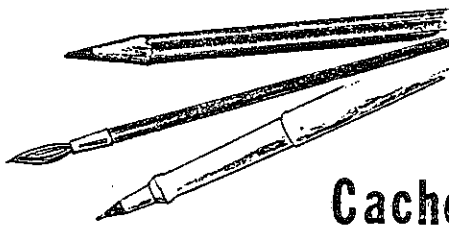


Left-Sider News



FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

Cachet Makers Association AFDCS Chapter 65

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c/o Chptr. Rep. Cynthia Scott
P.O. Box 1085, Pine Grove, CA 95665

SPOT LIGHT:

Andrew C. Doback

I began my A.C. Doback cachet line with the 1986 Connecticut Postal Card. I planned to get about 15 different cancels, and I didn't want them all to have the same cachet design.

Rather than incurring printing costs for 15 small runs, I decided that one printed text and a small Crosby-size photo would be most economical. However, what I saved in money, I lost in labor since the photos have to be cut and pasted.

Steam Boats SE-Tenant Booklet



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A. C. Doback

The question I'm asked most is "how do you get the photos so small?" The photos are actually negative-sized prints known as contact or proof sheets. In this process, the negative strips are laid placed side-by-side and printed on 8 x 10 photographic paper. Six strips of 6 negatives can be printed per sheet equalling 36 photos.

That's the easy part. The real pain is cutting the individual photos from the contact sheet. But maybe even worse is the pasting! For this I use a sponge top-tube of liquid glue.

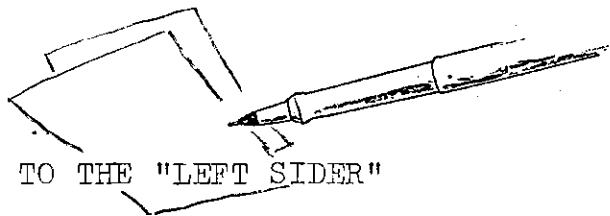
I'm also asked about the actual photography since most of my subject matter is from books, magazines, post cards, small toys, etc. I use a close-up lens kit which has three different magnifying lenses. The close-up lens is attached to the camera lens in the same manner as a filter. The lenses may be used singly or in combination for greater magnification. □

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ATTEMPT

Before joining the CMA, did you also belong to another AFDCS chapter? If you are currently getting two copies of the AFDCS Chapter Newsletter every month, let me know. Every set of four pages to photocopy and mail adds up.

Thanks.

--Ed.



LETTERS TO THE "LEFT SIDER"

...Stan Kibbett had some excellent ideas; ie, CMA exhibit frames and a ~~catalog~~ catalog of modern cachets. The catalog would be a monumental task. If it is undertaken, perhaps cachet makers should submit info on their production at the end of each year. This would make an annual supplement possible. This would certainly be easier on the collector's budget. You also wouldn't have to wait until the middle of the next decade to get the previous decade's catalog of cachets.... One way of making operating money for the chapter would be a donation auction of CMA members' covers.

--Andrew C. Doback

Enjoy your newsletter immensely. Great potential. How about a "black list" of late-paying (4 months +) or non-paying customers?

Also, have you considered collecting dues in the form of FDCs by member cachetmakers?

-- Alex Rogolsky

...Am sorry that a printed statement or letter was not sent out to all cachet makers afterwards (following October charter meeting), so they could have been made aware of this new group's existence.

-- Bernard Goldberg

...what are your feelings about sending an invitation to all the cachet makers whose address we could locate to join our chapter? Bernie Kroll would undoubtedly have a good list to work from. Seems to me a letter could be written up listing the advantages, etc.

--Kim Yarbrough

Ed. reply: It's in the works. Just need postage for about 200 letters. Or, several people could photocopy the flier I make, and take care of part of the list. All volunteer help or donations appreciated: envelope stuffing, addressing, and licking.


CACHETMAKERS!!!

If your cachet is not represented in the AFDCS Current Cachet Directory please write to the Current Cachet Chairman requesting an application form to be considered for inclusion.

A complete addendum showing all additions and changes and incorporating intermediate addenda will be prepared for distribution at the 1989 AFDCS Convention.

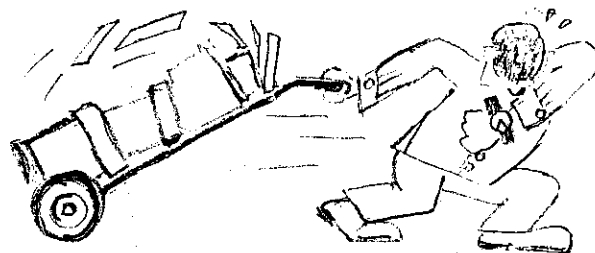
Please respond quickly to permit early processing of the application.

Send your request to: Bernard H. Kroll, Chairman, P.O. Box 52, Kensington, MD 20895. □

DEADLINE VERY CLOSE 

Bernard Kroll is preparing an addendum to the last Cachet Makers directory. He will close out in June -- so if you are not on the list, or wish to make changes-- send the information to him NOW.

See an old list for the form and nature of information required.



PRE-CONVENTION JITTERS?

NOT TO WORRY

Bernard Kroll phoned in response to Gerry Adlman's concern about the time needed to set up c-maker bourse tables.

The Cachet Makers meeting is 11 am to 12:30. The bourse is at 1 pm -- that's when it is open to the public. The room reserved for the bourse is right down the hall from our meeting room.

He couldn't guarantee this, but suggested that the hotel might let us set up tables before our meeting, if the room is not reserved for some other group.

Timing and security could be arranged on the spot. Bernard feels the hotel people and the Graebner Chapter will be more than willing to work out minor snags. □

AMERICAN FIRST DAY COVER SOCIETY

April 28, 1989

Dear Chapter Affiliate:

This year's Nominating Committee is developing a slate of nominees from which the membership will elect five members to serve on the AFDCS Board of Directors. Additional information will be published in an upcoming issue of FIRST DAYS. The Nominating Committee would like to have a slate of nominees representing all geographical regions of the AFDCS territory. To accomplish this, we are asking each chapter to survey their members and to nominate at least one person willing to run for the Board. Please remember that this person (or persons) must be qualified and prepared to devote the necessary time to do the job.

Once you have surveyed your members, please complete the form below and return it to me by August 5. My address is 1866 Loma Vista St., Pasadena, CA 91104-4005. This form must be accompanied by a written statement from each nominee signed by the nominee that he/she consents to his/her name being placed on the ballot. Also, this statement must include a brief biography, both personal and philatelic, of the nominee. These biographies are important to the members' ability to select qualified candidates. It is recommended that the nominee include in the biography ideas for what he/she plans to do for the Society if elected. Please refer to the enclosed reproduction of the published biographies of those nominees from the 1988 election. [Page 876, Oct 15th 1988 issue]

Thank you for your cooperation in this important Society matter.

Sincerely,



Michael Litvak

Chairperson, Nominating Committee

CHAPTER NAME: Cachetmakers Association

CHECK ONE BELOW:

----- We are not able to recommend anyone at this time.

----- We recommend the following qualified candidates (Please list the name, membership status, age, address, telephone number, and current employer.)



AMERICAN FIRST DAY COVER SOCIETY



JOHN JEZEK, JR., Chairman
- Honors & Awards Committee -
P. O. Box 235
WESTERN SPRINGS, IL 60558

To all AFDCS Chapters:

Each year the AFDCS provides many honors and awards such as the awards at our annual exhibitions held during the Convention, the Philip Ward award for excellence in FDC literature, the Glen C. Michel service recognition award to our many volunteers that have served our Society, the Distinguished Service award to an individual member that has performed outstandingly for the Society over a number of years. The cost of these many awards has averaged out to about \$50.00 per award and they are selected to be practical and utilitarian.

To date a few of our Chapters have provided funds annually to underwrite the cost of a specific award so that it may be awarded each year. We are now asking all Chapters to participate in this program.

We are asking for a commitment over a 3 year period of \$50.00 annually. We are aware that some Chapters may not be financially able to subscribe to the \$50.00 annual amount and will offer to pool a donation of \$17.00 with other Chapters for a specific award.

We would appreciate an early response to this appeal and ask that you make all checks payable to the AFDCS and mail to John Jezek Jr., Honors and Awards Chairman, P.O. Box 235, Western Springs, IL 60558-0235

Sincerely

John Jezek, Jr. Chairman Honors and Awards

(Send individual donations to above address - mention CMA.)

5/10 Comment from Tom Foust:

I think it would be a real feather in our cap if the CMA could fund one of the awards John made reference to. If each member of the CMA would be willing to donate \$1.00 each for the cause, I think we could do it. That is everybody is willing. We do get recognition when the award is presented.

(Jezek Letter received Apr. 24, 1989)