

## **SIP President's Column: Fall 2016**

Hi everyone. The Fall is upon us and it is time to get back to working on our collections! Maybe you also will have the time to contribute a short article to our publication!

### **Exhibiting Holy Land**

In this issue of the IP, I have commenced a series on exhibiting. My intention is to add to the growing numbers of collectors who are interested in this aspect of the hobby. The Society is always looking for new exhibitors on any topic. We have members in the Society who can answer your questions or assist.

### **Elections for Society Executive and Board of Directors**

In November, 2017, we will elect a new executive and Board of Directors. Some individuals have stepped up and are interested in running for some of the positions. However, we still need more candidates. Please consider putting your name forward. We will publish the names of candidates early in 2017 and will close nominations later in the year.

### **Volunteers**

Since my last column, I have heard from some of who are willing to volunteer to do work for the Society. Thank you. We need more of you!!

### **Membership**

Our society is the largest holy land philatelic organization in the world. We need to attract new members and ask everyone in the society to do his or her part during the year to try to bring in at least one new member. New York netted us 27 new members. That is so encouraging.

### **Fundraising**

Thank you to everyone who has made a contribution to the fund raising campaign for 2016. Please continue to keep our society in mind if you wish to make a charitable donation.

### **Benefits of Membership**

Membership in our Society provides access to the award-winning journal, the Israel Philatelist, and discounts to acquire many books from our Educational Fund chaired by David Kaplin. Watch for various new forthcoming monographs. Our slideshows and library books are available to be lent. Check out the website. The Society also has a worldwide network of members who are very knowledgeable about Holy Land and Judaica philately. Contact us if you are looking for info when doing research. Perhaps we will be able to direct you as needed.

Wishing you all a joyous, sweet healthy and prosperous New Year!

All the best,  
Regards Ed