



Society of Israel Philatelists, Inc.

Librarian

This past year saw the consolidation of the library holdings, with the implementation of new policies, acquisition of new publications and arrival at reciprocal agreements with other societies. The library catalog has been edited, made more easily usable and posted on the IP website. Several requests for information and literature from SIP members have been satisfied. The future should see further acquisitions and more lending activity.

The library holdings have been consolidated, with the culling of duplicates and replacement of damaged items. New material has been accumulated through members' donations and with the arrival of new SIP publications. We have been receiving copies of BAPIP, the American Philatelist and Terra Santa journals, and we send the IP to the respective societies in return.

With help and suggestions of a few members we have made the library catalog more user-friendly, and we are hoping to make it easily alphabetized online by title, author, era/topic of interest or date of publication.

Several members received requested articles from journals in the library, and several books have been lent at the cost of only postage.

In the next year we hope to continue adding to our holdings (through the generosity of the membership), contribute to the beautiful new website and publicize the availability of our holdings. We ask anyone with surplus literature or catalogs to contact us and consider donating items to the library rather than discarding them – maybe another SIP member could benefit.

Respectfully submitted,
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SIP Library