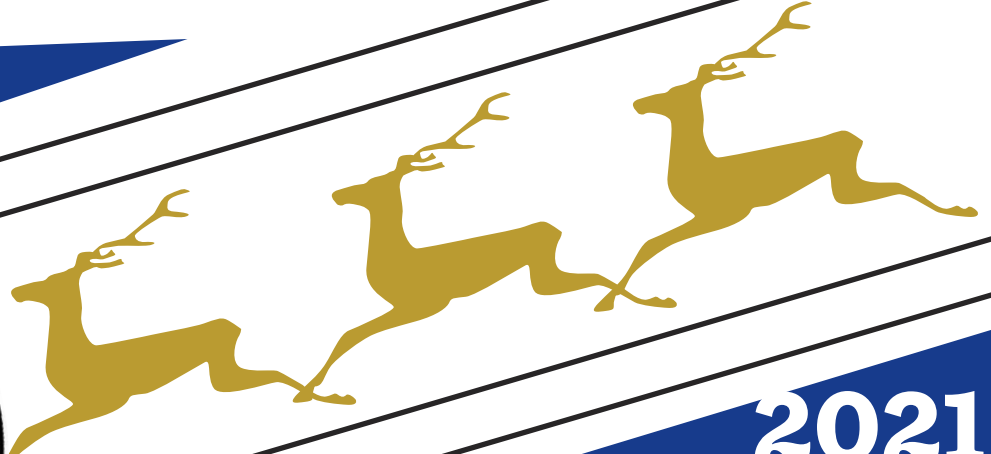


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# NEWSLETTER

## IMPORTANT DUES NOTICE *to all* MEMBERS

2021 National dues are \$35.00 for *The Israel Philatelist* distributed only on-line.

If you wish to receive a hard copy and have on-line access, the cost is \$55.00 in the US and \$65.00 for international members.

Life members can have access to both the on-line journal and the print edition for \$25.00 in the USA/\$35.00 international.

Member dues are required by December 31st, or you will not have access to the on-line journal.

*Members should send dues to:*

Howard Chapman,  
25250 Rockside Road,  
Bedford Heights, OH 44146



Members must send address changes to our Administrative Assistant—

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at least two weeks before the mailing of *The Israel Philatelist* issue.

The journal will not be resent or replaced if our Admin Assistant did not receive notification of the change in advance of the issue.

■ The member will be responsible for any USPS return fee, USPS postage due payment for their new address notification, and the costs for resending *The Israel Philatelist*.



## THE ISRAEL PHILATELIST

THE NEXT ISSUE OF  
OUR JOURNAL  
WILL ONLY BE MAILED  
IN FEBRUARY TO  
MEMBERS WHO  
HAVE PAID THEIR  
2021 DUES.

# UPCOMING SIP ZOOM PRESENTATIONS



GREGG PHILIPSON

## PHILATELIC WORKS OF ARTHUR SZYK



SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2021 1:00 PM EST



ED KROFT

## THE JEWISH COLONIES IN PALESTINE AND THEIR POSTAL OPERATIONS 1870-1918



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2021 1:00 PM EST



GREGG PHILIPSON PRESENTS

## THE MAGIC of JUDAISM אַבְרָא כְּדַבְּרָה



SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 2021 1:00 PM EST

To register email Sarah at: [sarah@stamps.org](mailto:sarah@stamps.org)

## ZOOMERS WANTED

We have a number of Zoom programs scheduled, but we are always looking for more presentors. If you would like to do a presentation on the subject of your choice, email Howard Chapman at [stampareme@aol.com](mailto:stampareme@aol.com). Please indicate the topic and month you would like give your talk.



**JUDEN RAUS – JEWS OUT!** anti semitic slogan cancel used to encourage Jews to leave Germany. The November 7, 1938 Dryden postmark is two days before Kristallnacht! — *courtesy Gregg Phillipson.*



## Dr. Dickstein Memorial Award



The S.I.P. Educational Fund announced in 1992 the establishment of the Dr. Leopold Dickstein Memorial Award. It is presented annually at the S.I.P. Convention and recognizes excellence associated with the Society's publications. The Award could be for previous years service to *The Israel Philatelist*, the best single or series of articles published, or contributions to Society's website.

### 2020 DICKSTEIN AWARD WINNER—ED KROFT

**Ed Kroft** is currently an international level judge and president of the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada (RPSC). Ed lives in Vancouver Canada and has collected stamps for over fifty-five years. He is the past President and a director of the Society of Israel Philatelists (SIP) and has been actively involved with the SIP for many years. Ed has written many articles for various philatelic publications relating to philately of the Holy Land and has successfully exhibited at the regional, national and international levels. His 2020 book is entitled *The Doar Ivri Issue of Israel: Postal and Commercial Usages of the Three High Value Stamps*.



In 2012, Ed was the winner of the SIP's Reggel Award for outstanding contributions to Holy Land philately. Ed was also the winner of the 2013 Geldert Medal awarded by the Royal Philatelic Society of Canada and the 2017 Jennings Award from the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors. Ed is a member of many societies including the APS, AAPE,

RPSC, SIP, Postal History Society, the Postal History Society of Canada, the Philatelic Specialists Society of Canada, BNAPS, ONEPS, the Collectors Club of New York and the Holy Land Philatelic Society. His interests include the postal history of the Holy Land, the Middle East, Canada and Aerophilately.



## The Leslie Reggel Memorial Award



**LESLIE REGGEL** was the founder and the first president of the Pittsburgh S.I.P. Chapter. He passed away on October 11, 1983. Shortly thereafter, the executors of his estate advised the Educational Fund that they, the executors, are authorized to establish a memorial in Leslie Reggel's name, using certain designated funds from the Reggel Estate to be invested for that purpose. The S.I.P. Educational Fund was appointed to administer The Reggel Memorial Award permanently.

The Reggel Memorial Award for Outstanding Service & Contribution to Holy Land and Israel Philately is an annual award. The winner is selected each year by the two prior year's winners. The first Reggel Award was presented in 1984 to Dr. Albert Friedberg. Since then, eighteen additional individuals have been presented this award as outstanding members of our Society.

### 2020 REGEL AWARD WINNER—IRV OSTERER

**Irv** has had a life long interest in postage stamp design. The skill of Canadian artists and engravers, first attracted him to the hobby. In his teaching career,



he made a concerted effort to involve his students with the art of the postage stamp. Many of these efforts have been covered by the *Canadian Stamp News* and have appeared in *Canadian Teacher, School Arts* and

*Arts and Activities*, where he served as contributing editor. His efforts in public education were recognized by several awards including the Eastern Ontario OCRI Award for Teaching Excellence.

For almost a decade, the Ottawa, Canada native has used his artistic talent to enhance the appearance of *The Israel Philatelist*. Since the December 2011 issue of the journal, Irv has provided the front cover for each issue — 40 covers through 2021. Irv has also written numerous articles and applied his artistic talents to their layout. Finally, he has provided technical advice and invaluable help "fixing" many images for the editor.

# HELP WANTED

The searchable database of *The Israel Philatelist* is complete to 2015. To input all the journals, *Modgility* (our web hosting company) needed to have scanned PDF files. Unfortunately, the journal's early issues were not adequately printed, resulting in poor scans and conversion to readable PDF files.

The problem is that many of the early journals need to be manually retyped and corrected in the computer. The typing is a very time-consuming process and has been in progress for the last several years.

The problem is our Administrative Assistants and Vicki Galecki are the only ones doing the typing. Their time is very limited, so progress is slow. My best guess is that we are at least 50% done with the corrections.

At this time, we ask if anyone has time and is willing to help with the typing we would like to hear from you. Vicki or Sarah would train you on how to access and correct the data. You would work on your schedule from any location.

If you would like to learn more about the project, please email Sarah at: [sarah@stamps.org](mailto:sarah@stamps.org)



## HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL

In 1997, the year in which Thessaloniki held the title of European City of Culture, the Greek government set up a central Holocaust Memorial. The bronze sculpture depicts the Menorah and flames in a complex of human bodies. The sculpture was placed in Plateia Eleftherias (Liberty Square), the city center, where Nazis summoned the Jews in 1942 to torture and humiliate them.

# EMERGENCY COMMITTEE to SAVE the JEWISH PEOPLE of EUROPE

Peter Bergson (Hillel Kock) led a dissident group of Zionists known in the United States as the *Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe*. During the war, the Bergson group placed ads in newspapers and staged theatrical presentations to education Americans about the "Final Solution." Their willingness to employ sensationalist tactics to increase sympathy for Europe Jews was deplored by the conservative leaders of the American Jewish community.



## Write Us!

If you have written about your *collection* or *philatelic activities* for a community paper or organizational newsletter, or if you have spoken about Holy Land philately at a local event,

*please let us know so we can share the news!*

Please send information to **Don Chafetz** at [sipeditor@gmail.com](mailto:sipeditor@gmail.com)