





AMERICAN PHILATELIC RESEARCH LIBRARY

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Dear Friends,

On behalf of the American Philatelic Research Library Board of Trustees, I want to invite you to bid on Position 76 of the famed McCoy Block of the Inverted Jenny. Though this stamp went missing in 1955, we made a historic recovery of the stamp in June 2016 at the World Stamp Show—NY 2016, receiving media coverage on six continents.

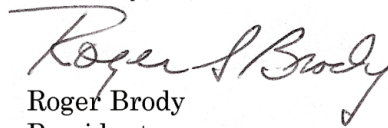
Thanks to the kindness of Ethel McCoy, the rights to her stolen block of stamps was transferred to the APRL in 1979 and we have been able to recover three of the four stamps to date. The proceeds for the sale of this stamp will go to support our newly-constructed library at the American Philatelic Center in Bellefonte, PA.

Our library spans 19,000 square feet and is open to the public five days a week. The library has the world's largest and most accessible collection of philatelic literature, with rarities dating back to the early days of collecting in the 1860s. Our collection of more than 80,000 volumes and special collections devoted to stamp collecting and the study of postage stamps and mail services occupies more than 3 miles of shelf space. It is truly a fitting home to this great wealth of philatelic knowledge.

Our most recent recovery effort started in 2014, when former APRL Board member Rob Haeseler formed the McCoy Recovery Committee and joined forces with Donald Sundman of Mystic Stamp Company to offer a reward for the recovery of the two remaining missing stamps. Rob's vision and hard work brought this stamp home to us last year. Sadly, Rob passed away in January, so he will not be with us to realize the final step in this story, a permanent home for the stamp. This sale, however, will be a fitting tribute to all of Rob's work and we thank you for being a part of it.

Bellefonte is a charming Victorian town in central Pennsylvania and we invite you to come spend time touring our historic headquarters and library. In the meantime, we hope you enjoy learning more about the journey of this truly unique stamp and what this sale will mean to collectors all over the world.

Sincerely,



Roger Brody
President



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Benefits of Membership

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APS stages two national exhibitions annually with StampShow in the summer and AmeriStamp Expo in the winter.

American Philatelic Research Library

The APRL is the world's largest publicly accessible collection of philatelic literature. www.stamplibrary.org. The library offers book loans by mail or in person and scanning and photocopy services for a nominal fee. Library staff are available to assist you with your research.

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Have a question about the identification of a stamp you own or one you want to purchase off the Internet? Check out the APS online Quick I.D. service. Provide us with an image and we can offer an opinion on the catalogue number and advise you if you need a formal APEX certificate.



MISSING

REWARD: THREE DOWN, ONE TO GO

FOUND 1982

POSITION

65

FOUND 1977

POSITION

75



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POSITION

66

FOUND 2016

POSITION

76

In April 2016, Position 76 of the famed McCoy block of four 1918 24-cent airmail error stamps was discovered 61 years after it was stolen. Help the American Philatelic Research Library find the final missing Inverted Jenny stamp — Position 66, located at upper right.

Don Sundman of Mystic Stamp Company has generously offered a **reward sum of \$50,000** for the successful recovery of the Position 66 Inverted Jenny stamp in undamaged condition, certified as genuine. The reward will be paid to the person(s) who transfer possession of a genuine McCoy Inverted Jenny to the research library.

The APRL is also offering a **\$10,000 reward** for information leading to the successful recovery of the missing McCoy stamps.

Information and inquiries should be made to the APRL by e-mail to library@stamps.org, or by phone at 814-933-3803 (press 3).

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The world's largest philatelic library, at your fingertips! The APRL holds more than 85,000 volumes on stamp collecting, postal history, and mail services, plus unique archives. Search our holdings, article indexes, and digital collections via the library website.

The APRL offers:

- Expert research assistance
- Photocopy and scanning services (nominal fees apply, discounted for members)
- Book loans by mail (available to members only)
- A 19,000-square-foot library and reading room at the American Philatelic Center, open to the public

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