



ATA OFFERS HANDBOOKS TO PHILATELIC LIBRARIES

The American Topical Association has announced an initiative to place multiple copies of ATA thematic handbooks in philatelic libraries around the U.S.

The ATA offers for sale 61 topical handbooks authored by ATA members; 45 of the titles are included in the free offering to philatelic libraries. They include handbooks on such popular topics as Birds, Railroads, Watercraft, Space, Sports, and various Americana-related topics as Lincoln, Roosevelts, Statue of Liberty and the Bicentennial.

The following philatelic libraries have received the offering of free handbooks: American Philatelic Research Library, Atlanta Stamp Collectors Club Library, Collectors Club of Chicago Library, Collectors Club of New York Library, Moody Medical Library, National Postal Museum Library, Northwest Philatelic Library, Postal History Foundation, Railway Mail Service Library, Rocky Mountain Philatelic Library, San Diego Philatelic Library, Spellman Museum of Stamps and Postal History, Western Philatelic Library, and Wineburgh Philatelic Research Library. Other domestic or international philatelic libraries that would like to be included in the topical handbook initiative can contact the ATA for information.

For a list of topical handbooks for sale to collectors, contact the ATA by phone or e-mail, or go to <http://americantopicalasn.org/handbooks.pdf>

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