

## WSCC Joseph A. Herbert, Jr. Cover Contest February 19, 2014

Entries in the following six categories will be judged by a vote of those present. Entrants should be prepared to say a few sentences about each cover they enter and how it fits into the competition category (creativity is encouraged, and your persuasiveness will carry the day). A “cover” is defined as any envelope, post card, postal card, folded letter, postal stationery, or other document that shows payment of postage and/or postal fees. Revenue stamps on document are also acceptable. All items must be used (which normally means cancelled with a postmark or other device). There is no limit to the number of covers you may enter, but each cover may compete in only one category.

### **Category #1: R is For...**

*Bring covers related to the letter R.*

### **Category #2: Garden Show**

*Pantone, the U.S. company that sets the standard in printing colors, has declared Radiant Orchid to be 2014's color of the year, stating that it “blooms with confidence and warmth.” Bring your floral covers. The winner of this year's contest will receive an 8 GB flash drive in Pantone “Radiant Orchid.”*

### **Category #3: Lincoln, Lincoln, I've been thinkin...**

*The site for the Lincoln Memorial was dedicated a century ago this month. Bring your covers that depict this or another famous Washington, D.C. monument or landmark in the stamp, cancel, or cachet.*

### **Category #4: Stick 'Em, Don't Lick 'Em**

*This month marks the fiftieth anniversary of the world's first self-adhesive stamps, issued by Sierra Leone. Bring your earliest covers franked with lickless postage.*

### **Category #5: You Ain't Seen Nothin' Yet**

*The Beatles' invasion of America began 50 years ago this month, with their first U.S. concert at the Washington Coliseum on 3 St., N.E. To celebrate, bring covers related to music or musicians.*

### **Category #6: Philatelic Dim Sum**

*Pacific Exchange: China & U.S. Mail, curated by club member Cheryl Ganz, opens at the National Postal Museum on March 6. Bring your most interesting covers with a Chinese connection.*

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### **About Joseph A. Herbert, Jr.**



Joe Herbert was born in the District in 1892 and graduated from Georgetown University Law School. A collector of U.S. revenues and covers, he joined the Washington Philatelic Society in 1937 and was a later also a member of the Collectors Club of Washington. He was the first chairman of the board of NAPEX, Inc. from 1949-1951. He died in 1959 at the age of 66. The Washington Philatelic Society renamed its intramural cover contest in his honor, and the Joseph A. Herbert, Jr. Cover Contest is carried on today by the WPS's successor, the Washington Stamp Collectors Club.