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PRESSEINFORMATION

Philatelists around the world have already circled the dates in their calendars. The king of the stamp world, the engraver Czeslaw Slania, whose 800 stamp engravings have brought him a mention in the Guinness Book of World Records, will be presenting his entire lifework for the very first time.

His friendship with Count Lennart Bernadotte led him to choose the island of flowers on Lake Constance as the place to exhibit his philatelic sensation. As court engraver for Monaco, Sweden and Denmark, Slania has designed and engraved postage stamps for 13 different countries and for the United Nations.

Count Lennart Bernadotte was fascinated by Slania's work at first sight, and, being an enthusiastic photographer, chose Slania's artistically most impressive stamps as subjects for his own work. He reproduced the Polish engraver's stamps as macro-photographs. He was also impressed by Slania's printing plates, which provided him with motifs as well. Czeslaw Slania was very pleased with this photographic work, and the two artists decided to publish a book entitled "Lennart Bernadotte Presents the Lifework of Czeslaw Slania", which will be presented on Mainau Island on July 27th, 1989, and should interest both, stamp collectors and future stamp engravers.

Philatelists around the world are very much looking forward to the book and the exhibition, both of which also provide newcomers with an introduction to the fascinating world of engraving with the help of unique exhibits which have never yet been shown.

Unsere Schwesterinsel

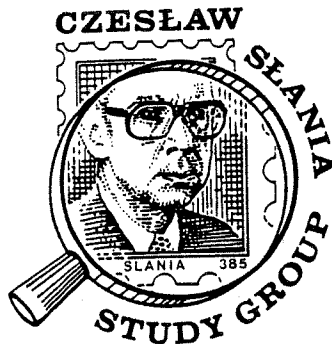
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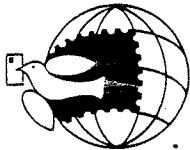
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FROM THE PRESIDENT.....Gene Wolosiewicz

First of all, thanks to the efforts of member, **MARIA-JOSEPHE GOA DE ITURBIDE**, all members are being provided with color brochures describing the upcoming Slania exhibition on Mainau Island. If any member attends this event, please let us know all about it and send photographs to use in the newsletter. We will return them, if so desired.

It seems that it's getting to be a habit being late with the newsletter. But, this time, we were



WORLD STAMP EXPO '89"

United States Postal Service
Nov. 17 - Dec. 3, 1989
Washington Convention Center
Washington, DC

waiting to hear from Czeslaw Slania if he is planning on attending **WORLD STAMP EXPO'89**. Tentatively, he will be there the entire length of the exhibition and, will bring along copies of the special Mainau Island exhibition book. According to his letter, "the book will be as complete as can be with color photographs of ALL my work. It will be a very thick book, and, I think, it will cost between \$40-\$60.00".

Mr. Slania asked us to notify him as to how many books our members will need. So, we ask that all those who are interested in purchasing the book, please send us a note so that we will have some idea as to how many should be ordered. **DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY!** We will let you know when to send it when we learn exactly how much the book will cost. The book sounds like a fantastic source of information for Slania collectors. But, we do not know what language it is printed in.

The nicest part of my job is thanking all the generous members who feel that we are doing a good enough job to warrant monetary donations helping us "keep our head above water." A **BIG THANK YOU** to the following: **PAUL HILLA, LOTHAR HEINRICH, TADEUSZ KUZMA, MARIA-JOSEPHE GOA DE ITURBIDE, WADE BEERY, ALICE ARCHIE JERZY KSIEZOPOLSKI, RAY ORZ, LARS NYBERG, and JERZY KRYSIAK.**

Our thanks, also, to **LOTHAR HEINRICH** and **CURT NILSSON** for their donations of Slania related philatelic material to be used for the benefit of the C.S.S.G. in a future mail bid sale. Just as soon as is possible, we will offer it to the membership. Watch for it in future issues of **CLOSE-UP**.

Since the volume of mail, that we receive, has grown, we ask

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From the president (continued).....

that all those who write to us, please be patient. Eventually, we will answer all mail received. Also, we ask all members to PLEASE, PLEASE send change of address to us when you move. Since, we work with a very tight budget, the cost of remailing the newsletters sure puts a dent in the finances.

POLPEX'89 engraving

We have a few left of the autographed Slania engraved POLPEX'89 souvenir sheet.

Souvenir sheet.....\$25.00

Souvenir sheet tied to cover with show cancel...\$35.00

Please include stamped self-addressed envelope with order.

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(BOOKLETS).....Wade H. Beery #74

Denmark Engraved Wavy Line Issues
Numerals ONLY Engraved by Czeslaw Slania

15 Ore	Dark Green (16.4.63)	F433a	S382	Ordinary Paper
FDC 6 a F433a-435a S 382, 384, 387 15 Ore Wavy Line, 25 Ore Brown Fredrik IX, 35 Ore Red Fredrik IX				
15 Ore	Dark Green (16.4.63)	F433b	S382(v)	Fluorescent Paper
FDC 6 b F433b-435b S 382v, 384v, 387v 15 Ore Wavy Line, 25 Ore Brown, Fredrik IX, 35 Ore Red Fredrik IX				
20 Ore	Dark Blue (24.1.74)	F580(b)	S493	Fluorescent Paper <u>ONLY</u>
FDC F80(b) S 493 In Booklets Facit H44, H45, H46, H49, H52; HA13, HA14, HA16, HA17.				
25 Ore	Light Green (11.5.65)	F453a	S416	Ordinary Paper
FDC 8 a F453a-456a S416-419 25 Ore Wavy Line, 40 Ore Brown Fredrik IX, 50 Ore Red Fredrik IX, 80 Ore Blue Fredrik IX.				
25 Ore	Light Green (11.5.65)	F453b	S416(v)	Fluorescent Paper
FDC 8 b F453b-456b Scott 416v-419v 25 Ore Wavy Line, 40 Ore Brown Fredrik IX, 50 Ore Red Fredrik IX, 80 Ore Blue Fredrik IX				
30 Ore	Blue Green (30.6.67)	F482(b)	Scott 437(v)	Fluorescent Paper <u>ONLY</u> .
FDC 9 F482, 483b, 484b, 485, 486 S437, 438, 439, 440, 441 30 Ore Wavy Line, 50 Ore Brown, Fredrik IX, 60 Ore Red Fredrik IX, 80 Ore Green Fredrik IX, 90 Ore Blue Fredrik IX In Booklets Facit HA10, HA11.				
30 Ore	Orange (5.11.81)	F770(b)	S688	Fluorescent Paper <u>ONLY</u>
FDC F770(b)-771(b) S688, 689 30 Ore Wavy Line, 40 Ore Wavy Line VIOLET (See F771(b), S689(v) below) In Booklets Facit H51; HA19.				
40 Ore	Orange (24.6.71)	F537(b)	S437A	Fluorescent Paper <u>ONLY</u>
FDC 13 F537(b)-538(b) S437A + 441A In Booklet Facit HA12.				
40 Ore	Violet (5.11.81)	F771(b)	S689	Fluorescent Paper <u>ONLY</u>
(See also Facit 770(b), above) FDC F770(b)-771(b) S688(v), 689(v) 30 Ore Orange Wavy Line, 40 Ore Violet Wavy Line				
50 Ore	Brown (1.8.74)	F597(b)	S494(v)	Fluorescent Paper <u>ONLY</u>
FDC F597(b) S494(v) (50 Ore Brown Wavy Line ONLY) In Booklets Facit H47, H48, H49, H51, H52; HA16, HA17, HA18, HA19, HA20				

70 Ore	Red (28.6.72)	F550a	S497	Ordinary Paper
	FDC	F550a	Scott 497	
	70 Ore Red Wavy Line (Only)			
70 Ore	Red (28.6.72)	F550b	S497v	Fluorescent Paper
	FDC	F550b	Scott 497v	
	70 Ore Red Wavy Line (Only)			
70 Ore	Light Green (27.10.77)	F673(b)	S498(v)	Fluorescent Paper
	FDC 17	F673b + F667	Scott 498v + 405	
	70 Ore Light Green Wavy Line + 9 Kr Olive Brown Coat of Arms			

Catalog Number Conversion Table

<u>FACIT</u>	<u>SCOTT</u>	<u>Description</u>
433a	382	15 Ore Dark Green, Ordinary Paper
433b	382v	15 Ore Dark Green, Fluorescent Paper
453a	416	25 Ore Light Green, Ordinary Paper
453b	416v	25 Ore Light Green, Fluorescent Paper
482(b)	437	30 Ore Blue Green, Fluorescent Paper ONLY
537(b)	437A	40 Ore Orange, Fluorescent Paper ONLY
550a	497	70 Ore Red, Ordinary Paper
550b	497v	70 Ore Red, Fluorescent Paper
580(b)	493	20 Ore Dark Blue, Fluorescent Paper ONLY
597(b)	494	50 Ore Brown, Fluorescent Paper ONLY
673(b)	498	70 Ore Light Green, Fluorescent Paper ONLY
770(b)	688	30 Ore Orange, Fluorescent Paper ONLY
771(b)	689	40 Ore Violet, Fluorescent Paper ONLY



80TH BIRTHDAY GALA OF COUNT LENNART BERNADOTTE



Count Lennart Bernadotte and Countess Sonja presenting Czeslaw Slania with a memento of the Count's 80th birthday on May 8, 1989. (photo: POINT DE VUE IMAGES DU MONDE 2.6.89)



Slania's most recent stamp-like portraits. A gift from him on the celebrations of the Count and Countess' birthday being only one day apart from each other.

(NONE ARE AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION!)

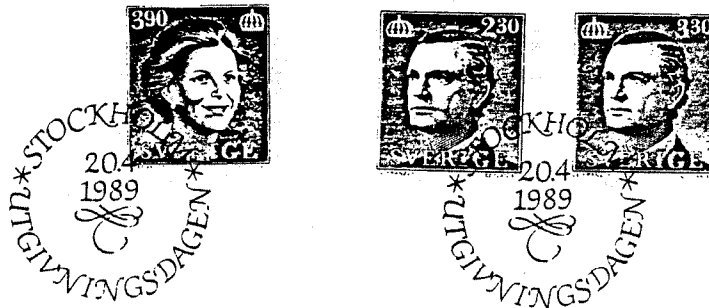
SPECIAL UNITED NATIONS IMPRINT AT SLANIA EXHIBITION

Attendance at forthcoming exhibitions -- Geneva --

Date	Town	Address for despatch of mail
27.7-20.8.1989	Mainau Federal Republic of Germany	UN Postal Administration c/o Schloss Mainau D-7750 Insel Mainau im Bodensee Post Konstanz



NEW ISSUES-SWEDEN
(PFA Bulletins #2-3, 1989)



Czeslaw Slania engraved the EUROPA stamps/Czeslaw Slania hat die EUROPA Marken gestochen.
Photo: Per Myrhaed.

EUROPA 89



BANKNOTE-VENEZUELA



The Venezuelan government issued the above banknote with a re-engraved front. Czeslaw Slania engraved it and it can be distinguished from the previous issue by the date on the face of the bill. Work can be identified by the date on the front next to the shoulder. SEPTEMBER 25, 1984

CORRECTION

On page 8 of the March/May issue, in the non-philatelic section, under "BLACK PRINTS-THE FAROES", it should read "These black prints were included in the 1987 and 1988."

MEMBER TO MEMBER

Facit Card Catalog-\$9.50...Similar Danish book (1986)-\$6.00
More complete Swedish book (1982, Weiss & Oberg)-\$11.00
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