

## SECRETARY-TREASURER'S CORNER

### ELECTION

Unit members returned 19 ballots for the special election for Director. All ballots were for John Pereira. There were no write-ins. Therefore, in accordance with Article 4 of the Unit Constitution, Mr. Pereira is elected to the position of Unit Director effective immediately.

### NEW MEMBERS

The Biology Unit has one reinstatement and welcomes the following new members:

1600	William Mahaffey, Upper Sandusky, OH (reinstated)	insects (7).
1861	Caroline Brandt, Portland, OR	flowers (2), botanical gardens, landscapes, world heritage sites
1862*	Patricia J. Hoppe, Ontario, CA	birds (5)

\*Joined in 2013, but through an administrative error was not assigned a proper number, nor listed as a New Member

### CORRECTIONS

There were several invalid addresses published in the last *Biophilately*. Please make the following corrections:

Leslie Adler, 1621 22nd Avenue NW, Calgary AB, T2M 1R4 Canada

Charles Vaughn, 23738 Old Meadow Road, Seaford, DE 19973

Dr. Edgardo Gomez, [edgomezph@yahoo.com](mailto:edgomezph@yahoo.com)

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## LITERATURE AWARDS

Your editor has just returned from Chicagopex 2014 where he entered the latest four editions of *Biophilately* and last year's index of the Unit journal, *The Mother of All Indexes*, in the philatelic literature competition. Chicagopex hosts one of only three philatelic literature exhibitions held in the United States.

We are pleased to announce that in this literature exhibition, *Biophilately* was awarded a Vermeil medal and the Index, which also included a history of the Biology Unit from its beginning 63 years ago, received a Silver medal. The vermeil award is the highest level that the journal has ever received in any literature competition in its existence.

This recognition is gratifying because it shows the efforts that your editors are making to improve the quality of the journal are paying off. We will continue these efforts to provide our readers with the news and information they need to enhance their knowledge in both the philatelic and biological areas.

With this goal in mind, we solicit your suggestions and especially your letters and articles to include in future editions.