



The *Philip Lee Phillips Society* was established in 1995 to further develop, enhance and promote the collections of the Geography and Map Division by encouraging financial donations to supplement appropriated funds for the acquisition of rare maps; by stimulating interest among map collectors, map producers, geographers, cartographers and historians in order to make the vast resources of the nation's premier cartographic and geographic collections more widely available; by facilitating gifts and bequests of significant geographic and cartographic materials to further develop its collections; and by advancing the Geography and Map Division's publication, education and exhibition programs.

The Society was named in honor of Philip Lee Phillips, who was the first to recognize the value of the Library's cartographic materials and to organize and care for them. Even before being named the first Superintendent of Maps when the Hall of Maps was established in the new Library of Congress building 1897, he devoted what time he could to the map and atlas collections that were stored in odd corners of the Capitol – sorting, arranging, cataloging and serving required items to congressional and other readers.

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George Washington's hand-drawn map of Mt. Vernon

PHILIP LEE PHILLIPS MAP SOCIETY

The Friends Group

of the

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An Introduction

The Philip Lee Phillips Map Society is the friends group of the Library of Congress Geography and Map Division, the nation's premiere map and cartography collection. Our members hail from across the country and enjoy collecting maps, reading about them, conducting research and discussing ideas with like-minded people.

Together we:

- Encourage financial donations for the acquisition of rare maps
- Stimulate interest among map collectors, map producers, geographers, cartographers, and historians
- Publish research papers and cartobibliographies
- Organize symposiums to further scholarship in the history of cartography

Society Membership

The Phillips Society is open to any interested party, and donations to the Society are greatly appreciated. Monies are used to support the group's activities and to assist in the purchase of rare maps, atlases, and cartographic collections.

Members may receive:

- Publications such as the *Library of Congress Geography and Maps: An Illustrated Guide*, map facsimiles and *The Occasional Papers*
- A newsletter describing the Division's collection development, exhibition and publication activities
- Behind the scenes tours of the Geography and Map Division, including its outstanding rare materials collection
- Information regarding workshops that provide opportunities for learning from specialists in map preservation, map cataloging, cartographic research and scanning
- Invitations to exhibition openings, lecture series and symposia

How to Donate

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