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Dear Smurf Collectors,

The S.C.C.I. 10th year is proving to be a very exciting year indeed!

Some of the top **collectible columnists** have done extensive coverage of our 10th Anniversary. This great publicity has brought us over one hundred new subscribers in just a few short months. We even caught the attention of a few **syndicated columnists** who published our Club information and this was very impressive since their columns appear in numerous daily publications across the U.S. and Europe.

We have been informed that Applause Inc. and Dakin Inc. have agreed to merge. The new company will be called Applause Enterprises Inc. Both companies are known primarily for plush and PVC figures. It also should be noted that Applause is no longer listed in the Toy Industry as having the license for **Smurf Products** in the United States.

A special Thank You to all who responded to our brief survey sent to all who showed interest in the New 1995 Smurf figurines. We would now like to share the results with you.

The first question, of course, was:

My favorite NEW FIGURINE for 1995 is!

#20431 Monk Smurf wins for 1995!

#20430 Viking Smurf was our collector's second choice!

The BEST FOR 1995 was the new SUPER SMURF #20249 Smurf @ Computer!

Our second survey question was a lot of fun. We asked members for their suggestions for future figurines. We remember, way back in the early 80's, Wallace Berrie and Schleich would receive thousands of letters from collectors with ideas for new figurines. This was the S.C.C.I. first attempt at this query.

The response to this was overwhelming to say the least! Over six hundred suggestions were received. Listed below are some of our members suggestions and ideas.

Electrican Smurf
Smurf Without Hat!
Smurf Rollerblading
More Baby Smurfs
Princess Smurfette
King Tut Smurf
Podium Speaker Smurf
Elvis Smurf
Smurfette Viking
Social Worker Smurfette
Actor Smurf
Model Smurfette
Bestman Smurf
Bridesmaid Smurfette
Director Smurf
Explorer Smurf
Astronomer Smurf
Lacrosse Smurf
Water Skier
Klondike Lady
Cleopatra
Guinevere

Smurfette as Southern Belle w/Parasol
Many more Super Smurfs (with accessories)
Smurf sunbathing (on towel w/sunglasses)
Smurf Holding crying Baby Smurf
Organ Grinder Smurf w/Monkey
Smurf on Balance Beam
Grand Prix Racing Driver
Detective w/Magnifying Glass
Smurf Panning for Gold
Knights of the Round Table
Smurf on Farm Tractor
Eskimos w/ Sled and Igloo
Sidewalk Vendors (selling hot dogs, ice cream hamburgers etc.)
Smurf on a Jet Ski
Smurfette Sport Figurines w/accessories
Smurf and Smurfette German Folkdancers
Fortune Teller and Gypsy Pair
Safari Smurf and Smurfette Pair
Romeo and Juliet Pair
King Arthur
Three Musketeers

continued.....

Goldilocks
Red Riding Hood
Teeter Totter

Rapunzel
More Vikings (in different poses)
Smurf Carrying different Country Flags

Interesting to note some of these are strictly '90s ideas and wouldn't have been thought of back in the '70's and '80's.

HOW UN-SMURFY!!

Our last Newsletter featured an article **SMURFS RULE** from the Netherlands.

The article discussed the fact that Irene Moors, a Dutch TV Host was the new Smurf recording artist.

It now appears that Father Abraham, who has been the Smurf recording artist since the 70's, is speaking out on behalf of the Smurfs and himself.

MOORS VERSUS KARTNER

From the Netherlands

Who is the father of the Smurfs?

Irene Moors discusses the position she now has, after her successful recording of Smurf songs. She is not the mother of the Smurfs. She sees herself as a good friend to the Smurfs. Pierre Kartner (Father Abraham) is not very pleased. "I am their father, and they love me very much. They are with me, not with Irene. I should have had a chance, most of all because I still had a lot of plans. Then again, the Smurfs will come back to me. They only like the songs I write for them."

It is reported that not everyone sees it this way!

Irene's big success came as a surprise she reports! After 50,000 Smurf records had been sold, she received a **BLUE RECORD** to commemorate the occasion. The record, it is reported is even played in cafes and bars.

Irene and the Smurfs will stay together as long as the people like it; it is as simple as that.

Let us all hang onto our Father Abraham in Smurfland recordings!!!!!!

Father Abraham in Smurfland



COLLECTORS' COMMENTS...

Dear Suzanne,

We just had to write and tell you how much we enjoyed our last Newsletter. In particular, we refer to the Club's explanation of the new German figurines #20434 and 35, ZUCKERTUTTE (sugar bags).

This article brought back memories to my mother-in-law. She immediately searched through old family photos, from the 40's, taken in Germany. She located the enclosed photo of my husband when he was a 5-year-old schoolboy in Germany. The picture was taken after his 1st day at school in 1947. His mother says his Zuckertutte was presented to him when she and his grandmother met him outside the school gate. According to his mother, it was filled with candies and cookies.

I can only tell you what my mother-in-law remembers; my husband claims to have no recollection at all of the event! But isn't he cute? Notice the pack on his back for carrying books. The small bag held his lunch. Remember School-boy Smurf?!

If the photograph copies well enough you may use it, if you like, to show Club members the real thing from Germany.

School boy Peter after his 1st Day at School 1947

All he needs is a white Smurfy hat!



20434



20435

As mentioned, my husband remembers nothing but my mother-in-law clearly remembers receiving her Zuckertutte! Her parents were not very well off and could not afford to buy a commercially made, glamorous and gaudy, one at a store. Her mother asked a friend, a book-binder, to make one. It was very nice and beautifully decorated but not quite the same to a little girl conscious of the difference between home-made and make-shift vs. store-bought; the difference between being poor vs. rich!

So, when the time came for her picture to be taken, she dropped her own Zuckertutte and grabbed a more gorgeous and showy one from a girlfriend! Her mother must have been hurt after trying so hard to provide something wonderful! This all happened over 70 years ago!!

From Susan

Dear Susan,

Thank you so much for the story and photo! I think this beautifully demonstrates how important the Zuckertutte (sugar bag) is to the German school child, and why Schleich produces these figurines!

COLLECTORS' COMMENTS...

Dear Suzanne,

The Club's recent declaration of 1995 as "The Year of the Smurf in the 90's Workplace," made me think "What a great idea!"

My pregnant co-worker is so miserably ill. She had to take a leave-of-absence because, although her baby is thriving, she (mother-to-be) is not. It's going to be a long nine months to say the least.

So I Mailed her an inspirational greeting card along with a beautifully wrapped Super Smurf "STORK DELIVERING BABY."

It made a big hit! My friend/co-worker called to say thank you and she was crying. Said it "made her day" and will be a constant reminder, near her bed, of the expected joy at the end of her long ordeal!

For the next occasion in my office I presented the Bride and Groom Smurf to a co-worker upon her engagement.

She was thrilled! She unwrapped the Groom Smurf first and said, delightedly, "Oh...I must be in here too!" She took them home for "show & tell" but brought them back to work. They are now in a little "shrine" on her desk. Her very first Smurfs and she loves them!

People still fall in love with these charming little characters!!!

From S.B.N.

Congratulations to Roxana of England! A Smurfy friend tells us she has received her BTEC Higher National Certificate in Chemistry.

Dear Suzanne,

I have never seen a picture of the Smurfette that Gargamel created in his lab. I purchased a comic book about Smurfs and it started out with Gargamel creating a girl with ugly straight black hair to trick the Smurfs.

After a Smurf takes her home to the Smurf Village, Papa prepares a magic potion and turns her into the lovely Smurfette we know.

Enclosed are some scenes showing the ugly, black-haired, original Smurfette! Wouldn't this be a great idea for a figurine!?

From Frances L.



Dear Frances,

Many of us have long forgotten how Smurfette was created! Thank you. On Nov. 29, 1981, the Smurf cartoon "THE SMURFETTE" originally appeared on T.V. It tells the story of how the wizard Gargamel creates Smurfette to lure the Smurfs into his castle. The Smurfette is thoroughly entranced with the little Smurfs, becomes one of them, and together they cause Gargamel's wicked plan to backfire.

COLLECTORS' COMMENTS...

Dear S.C.C.I.,

Can you tell us if Super Smurf #40213, Chain Gang, comes with a grey rock or without a grey rock?

Gordon from MO.

Dear Gordon,

To the best of our knowledge, when first issued in 1980, this Super Smurf did come with a rock. Many collectors have told us that they have found this Super Smurf with no rock.

For this reason, our Club Brochure lists this item both ways!

Suzanne

Dear Suzanne,

While searching through some old Newspapers I came across this Smurf Article and got a chuckle out of it.

St. Petersburg Times

April 5, 1990

National Section

NASHVILLE, Tenn. A couple is suing a hospital for \$4 million, asserting that staff members nicknamed their baby "Smurfette" because her skin was accidentally dyed blue. The suit claims Kirsten was "subject to callous, distressing remarks... among which was the reference to her just-delivered daughter as Smurfette. Smurfette is a character in the Smurfs cartoon show. The Smurfs are elf-like creatures with blue skin." The suit says Kirsten was injected with blue dye in her womb to test for a urinary infection 12 hours before she went into labor. Hospital spokeswoman said no one at the hospital has any knowledge about the use of the term "Smurfette".

Louie from FL.

Dear Suzanne,

I can't believe our 10th Year of Happy Smurf collecting has arrived. Three Cheers for the S.C.C.I. for enhancing our enjoyment!

As you know, I am a social worker for the state of AR. and will be working to establish welfare reform. In my travels throughout the state I have encountered many flea markets selling "fake" Smurfs. I know you mentioned it in the newsletter but it appears it is becoming more prominent.

Please keep us informed!

P.S. I just converted a bedroom into a Smurf Room. Smurfs all over the place and I have expanded my collection into everything Smurfy.

Sharon from AR.

Dear Sharon and ALL Members,

Thanks for your letters and concerns. We attempt to alert our collectors as information arrives at Club headquarters from the U.S., Europe, and Canada.

We are presently investigating information we have been given in reference to undocumented **paint variations** being offered for sale. This investigation involves **both** Schleich figurines being **re-painted** and **"Pirated"** Smurfs. At this point we only wish to advise you of this fact. Everyone should be cautious about purchasing paint variations never before heard about.

Members are welcome to write the Club at anytime if they have a suspicion about a paint variation and it's authenticity!!

Board of Directors
S.C.C.I.

Dear Suzanne,

I'll bet you didn't know our Fun-Loving Smurfs were ready for War. Yes, I have a Military Insignia with a Flying Smurf on it from Sheppard Air Force Base. I am going to send you a photocopy to put in our Newsletter.

Archie from MD.

An interesting tid-bit, but no photocopy has been received as yet!

EDITOR'S DESK...

It's not often we have news to report on New Smurf items as this information has to come from Europe. As reported earlier in this Newsletter, no one in the United States holds the Smurf license!

Our overseas membership is growing and we are pleased to report that our European friends are "SHARING" with all of us.

We want to take this opportunity to say "THANK YOU" to all our members who submit articles for our Newsletters!!!

Do you have an old or new Smurf item that you would like to "SHARE" with your fellow collectors? Please write us!

Articles on any and all Smurf items are welcome!

"Sharing is Caring"

UPDATE FROM.....BELGIUM



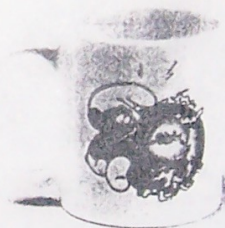
In Newsletter 33, Summer 1994, we reported on the "Smurf The World" logo. This is the Logo created by "Peyo" shortly before his death. The design was intended to support Environmental Awareness.

We also reported, at that time, that two items had been verified as being produced with the Logo. A Poster and a Wooden Magnet.

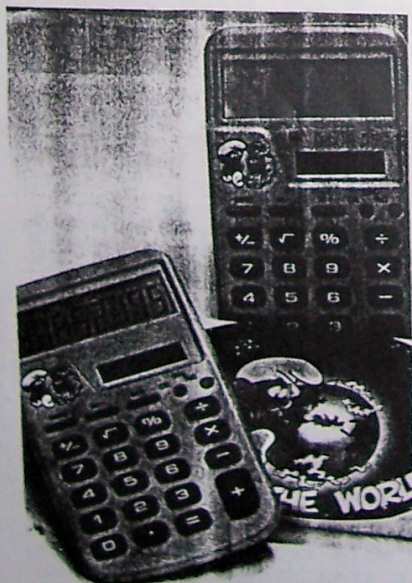
The following items have also been produced by PUPPY, IMPS..Belgium in support of this campaign.



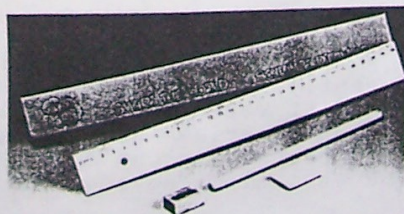
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CERAMIC MUG



CALCULATORS

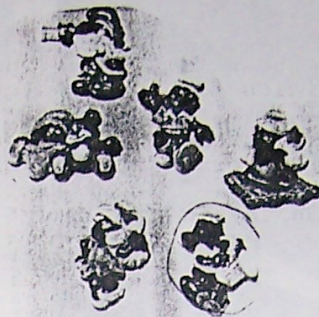


RULER SET

The following Smurf Collectibles are also from PUPPY...IMPS. Belgium:



MINI FRICTION SMURF CARS



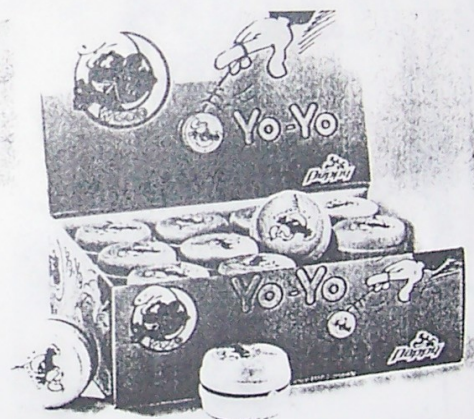
SET OF 3D MAGNETS
PAPA SEA CAPTAIN
BABY W/TEDDY BEAR
DANCING SMURFETTE
SMURF W/SAXAPHONE
WAVING SMURF
SMURFETTE IN BATHING SUIT
ON BLANKET



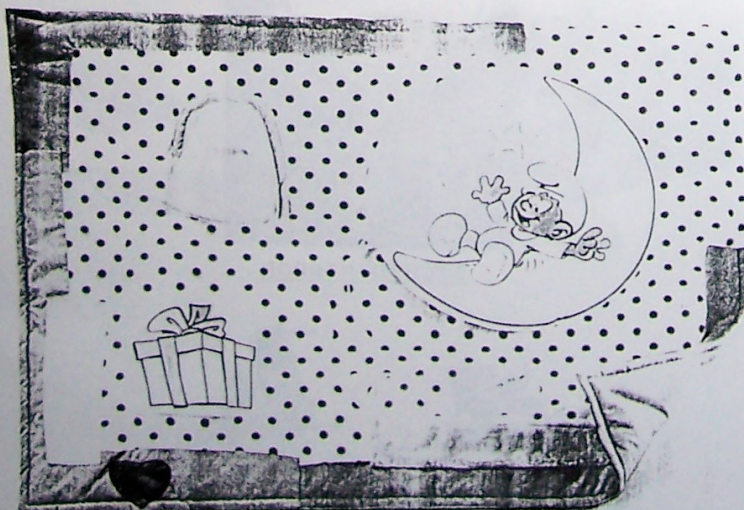
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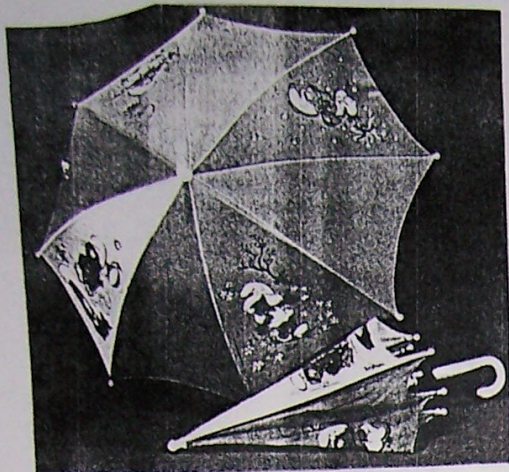
RAINCOATS



PLASTIC YO-YO'S



INFANT ACTIVITY
BLANKET



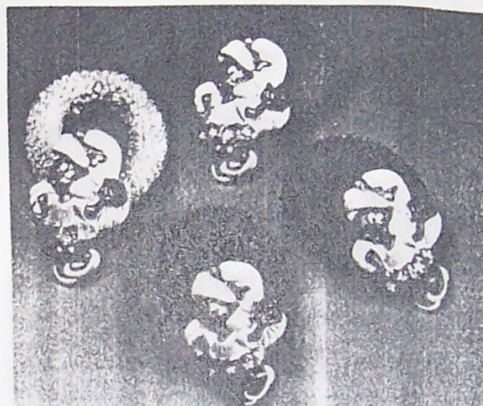
UMBRELLA



BLACKBOARD W/ACCESSORIES



PLASTIC APRONS



ELASTIC HAIR TIES



ETCHED MIRROR



ASSORTED PURSES





SNOW GLOBE



MEMO HOLDER



PLASTIC PUZZLE



FULL WRAP-AROUND SMURF
SCENE GLASSES



MINI SMURF KEYCHAIN
PUZZLES



STENCIL COLORING SET



RULER W/STENCILS



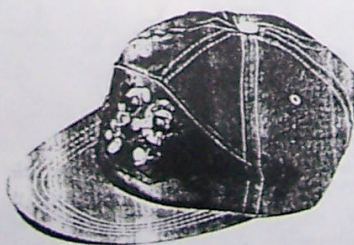
PENCIL SHARPENER BOX



SET OF JUGGLING
BALLS



DESCRIBED AS
SPRINGING BALLS



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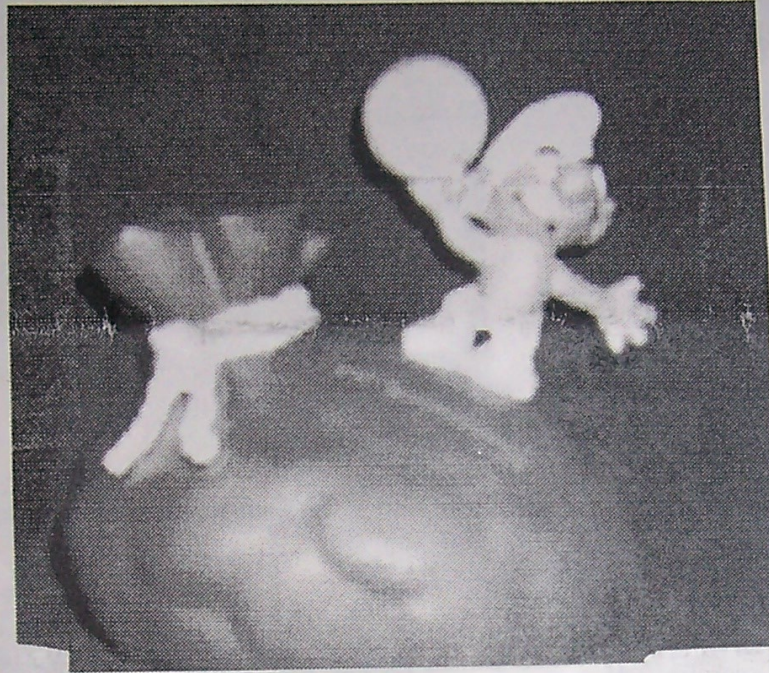
HAND HELD GAME
PIN BALL GAME



UNIQUE SMURF BANK

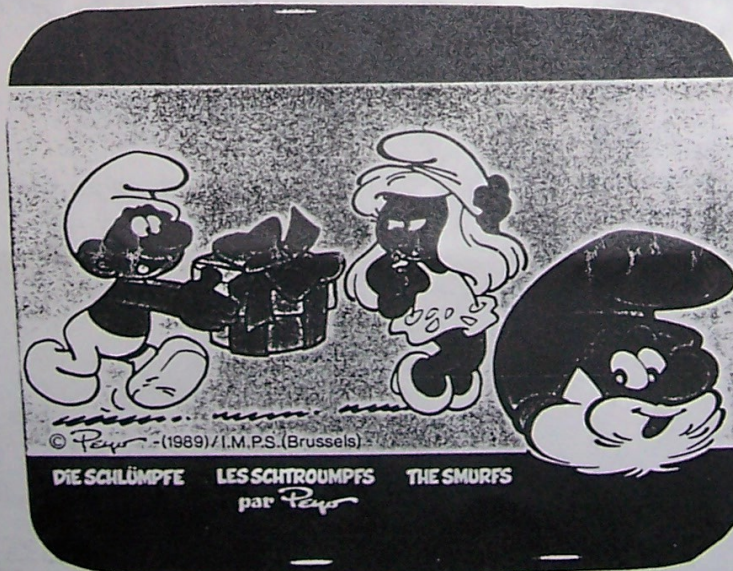
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Our German friends refer to this as a "Money Bag Bank". It is molded of red plastic with a yellow cord tied around it. The cord is also of molded yellow plastic. It is 4" in size! The figurine glued to the bank is #20029 Money.



TIN BOX

From France
IMPS 1989



The TIN BOX appearing above is the actual size! It has a two tone blue background. Jokey's box is in shades of pink. Great colors!

FROM WALLACE BERRIE, 1982

SMURF TRAVELS AMERICA MUGS

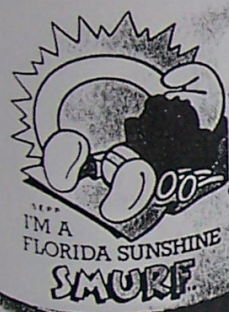
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The Smurfs have travelled all over the country and that's the inspiration for our unique concept... Smurf Travels America Mugs! These quality ceramic mugs colorfully highlight Smurf characters and captions in 10 designs.

MOLD VARIATION



2.0067 Congratulation

The MOLD VARIATION is the HAND AND FINGERS.

A.



Hands and fingers are
contoured and shaped.

SPECIAL NOTE: This figurine
was produced to accommodate
the hand of figurine #20058,
Champion.

COUNTRY MARKINGS ON "A"

No country
W. Germany

B.



Hands are closer together,
flatter in shape. Inside
is slot-shaped.

SPECIAL NOTE: This figurine
was produced to accommodate
the heart used for figurine
#20125.

COUNTRY MARKINGS ON "B"

W. German
W. German painted Tunisia
W. Germany painted Sri Lanka

SPECIAL NOTE: This Mold Variation section deals strictly with molds
and not paint variations. See our regular variation
section for paint variations.

BUY...SELL...TRADE

SPECIAL NOTE: Our next Newsletter will not arrive until AFTER the Christmas Holidays. Purchase those special Smurfy Holiday Gifts from this Issue. The Club will gladly set aside any 2" Smurf figurine, Super Smurf etc. that we have available. Simply drop us a note and we will reserve your gifts.

How to respond to an Ad: Send your request to the Club with a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope (S.A.S.E.) The Club will respond with availability and asking price. Responses go out on a first come basis. Most items FOR SALE only have ONE item available.

How to submit an Ad: All members are provided with a Free Ad Blank. These forms MUST be used. Send your Ad with a S.A.S.E. Numerous Ads are sold, traded, etc. before publication and will not appear in the Newsletter. If anyone is seeking a special item contact the Club with your requests.

AD

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| 812 | Wanted | All Limited Edition S.C.C.I. Smurfs. New member seeks previous issues. Please submit asking price in first letter. |
| 813 | Wanted | Azrael the Cat, small version, belonging with Super Smurf 40211. Submit asking price in first letter please. |
| 814 | For Sale | Smurf Records, three different albums. "Party Time", "Father Abraham in Smurfland", "Best of Friends The Smurfs". Mint cond. Please state interest in first letter. |
| 815 | Wanted | Porcelain Smurfs, seeking a few different styles. Submit list of what you have with condition and asking price please. |
| 816 | For Sale | Smurf mugs, 1982, w. Berrie, TRAVEL AMERICA SERIES. "I SMURF AMERICA", "SMURFIN THRU THE U.S.A.", "I LOVE N.Y.". Please state interest in first letter. |
| 817 | Wanted | Smurf Hardcover Storybooks. and Peyo Studio Handbook. Please submit titles and price in first letter. |
| 818 | For Sale | Smurf musical baby crib mobile ferris wheel with 4 Smurfs. Good condition, no box. |
| 819 | Wanted | Smurf Video "The Smurfs" 90 minutes, Good to excellent condition only. Please submit asking price in first letter. |
| 820 | For Sale | Small Smurf Collection, American Market figurines, some Supers, Send your want lists. Also seeking some parts for Super Smurfs. Oar for #40219, mast for #0215 |
| 821 | For Sale | RARE Smurfette Kneeling and Praying and Smurf kneeling and praying. Prototypes no holes in their heads for cords. Mint condition. Will sell as pair only! |
| 822 | For Sale | Promotional Smurf #20053 Ice Lolly holding Schlumpf-hausen Flag. Mint condition. |
| 823 | For Sale | Smurfette Baseball Player #20186. Black shoes, beige bat, lavender socks, pink and white baseball suit. Made Hong Kong. |
| 824 | For Sale | Christmas Cord, Smurf with face in wreath, made in Portugal. Mint condition. |
| 825 | For Sale | Pewit #20499 variation, red shoes and hat, dark green suit, white shirt. Made in Hong Kong. Mint condition. |
| 826 | For Sale | 30th Anniversary Smurf, as featured in Club's Bulletin 1988. Promotional Smurf by IMPS, Brussels. Mint condition. |
| 827 | For Sale | Smurf variation #20047 Trumpet. Orangy/red pants. Good condition made in W. Germany. |
| 828 | For Sale | Smurf original issue Mechanic #20012. White pants no overalls, black wrench. Made in W. Germany. Paint chip on nose. |
| 829 | For Sale | Smurf Spinning Top, 1982. 10" in height, great colors and graphic scene. Good condition. |
| 830 | For Sale | Smurf hard plastic bank, 1982 by A.J. Renzi. Smurf stands 10½" high. Good condition some paint chips. |
| 831 | For Sale | Smurf Battery Operated Toothbrush. By Helm Toy Corp. Mint in package. |
| 832 | For Sale | Smurf Soakie, Belgium 1991, as featured in Newsletter. Good condition. |
| 833 | For Sale | Ertl Die Cast Metal Cars. Mint in package "The Smurf & Ladder Truck", "The Smurfette", "Redwood Smurf-about". Please state interest in first letter. |
| 834 | For Sale | Smurf Baby Rattles by Danara 1982. Rattles are shaped for an infants hand. Eye-catching colors. Three different scenes on rattle. 1. Baby crawling with block. 2. Baby holding rattle. 3. Smurf w/ butterfly on his finger. State interest in 1st letter. |
| 835 | For Sale | Smurf baby Gum Soother. by Danara 1984. Adorable Smurf with plastic ring. Mint in package. |
| 836 | For Sale | Deluxe Baby Rattle by Danara. Large Smurfs head on top of hand held rattle. Mint. Package stapled. For Ages 1 to 24 months. |
| 837 | For Sale | Merry Christmas Smurf Wrapping Paper. Two sheets Approx. 8 ft. |
| 838 | For Sale | Smurf Winter Scene Wrapping Paper. Two Sheets Approx. 8Sq. Ft. |

BUY...SELL...TRADE

- Ad #
- 839 For Sale **Money Bag Bank** as featured in this Newsletter. From Germany Good condition.
- 840 For Sale **Smurf Tin Box** as featured in this Newsletter. From France licensed by IMPS, Brussels. Mint condition.
- 841 For Sale **Animation Art! Smurf Cels from the Hanna Barbera Studios.** Matted and ready for framing!
 1. 3½" Smurfette with laser background of a bedroom scene.
 2. 6" Gargamel with laser background of mountains. Gargamel is dressed like a Smurf with white hat and pants. Unusual!
 3. 3½" Papa Smurf holding a burning torch. Background is of the Smurf Bridge.
 Black and White photocopies available. Please state the number of the Cel interested in. **No Smurf room should be without one hanging on the wall.**
- 842 For Sale **Hardee's surf Smurf Set** as featured in Newsletter 18, Fall 1990. All six, mint in packages.
- 843 Wanted **Pewter Smurfs** please submit description of the figurines you offer with asking price in first letter.
- 844 For Sale **Gargamels Castle** from Germany. Mint in box.
- 845 Wanted **Smurf Political Buttons**, from early 80's. Also need information on these if someone can help. Are they from Cereal Boxes? All responses will be greatly appreciated.
- 846 For Sale **Small Smurf Cottages** from Germany. Blue Roof, Smurfette cottage. Mint in boxes.
- 847 Wanted **Ferrero Kinder Egg**, Snap together series. Need Smurf holding the Candy Box. Prefer mint in Egg. Submit asking price in first letter.
- 848 For Sale **Satin Christmas Ornaments.** From the Smurf Christmas Village, Wallace Berrie, 1982. Mint in boxes.
 1. #1 Teacher
 2. Merry Christmas 1982
 3. Happy Holidays
 Please state number of interested item when writing.
- 849 For Sale **Smurf Juice Glass** from Belgium. 1989 by Benedictin. Two colorful scenes appear on the glass. Smurflings on a Mushroom carousel and Papa the Smurfs and Smurfette w/Baby.
- 850 For Sale **Plush Smurflings w/suction cups.** Put them in your windows! Great for car windows too!
 1. Smurfette in cute dress.
 2. Smurf in red shirt.
 3. Nat with yellow hat and brown overalls.
- 851 For Sale **Hand held pencil sharpeners.** Unique item from 1981 licensed through BP, sepp.
 4" high, made of hard plastic
 1. Papa Smurf on plastic stand that says "PAPA SMURF"
 2. Laughing Smurf on plastic stand that says "Happy Smurf"
 The pencil sharpeners are inside the stand! **Rare!!**
 Please state interest in first letter.
- 852 For Sale **Papa Smurf Squeeze Toy** 4½" high, by Kehl 1970's.
- 853 Wanted **Original Studio Cel Backgrounds of Smurf Village.** Please submit photocopy and asking price in first letter. B/W okay!
- 854 For Sale **VERY RARE POSTER!!! "The Smurfs Are Coming to Kings Dominion"** 18" by 24" Great Smurf Village Scene, full color! Mint condition.
- 855 Wanted **Smurf #20016 Judge**, variation in Black robe.
- 856 Wanted **Travel American Series Mugs**, California, Rocky Mountain, Texas, Please submit asking price in first letter.
- 857 For Sale **"Blue Moon Poster"** Mint condition. 1980's
- 858 Wanted **Soccer Smurf Boxed Set** as featured in Newsletter III, Winter 1986. Prefer mint in box. Please submit asking price in first letter.
- 859 Wanted **Smurfagrams** representing different states in the U.S. Examples: "I Love St. Louis", "I Love the Sunshine State" etc. Please submit asking price in first letter.
- 860 For Sale **Smurf #20053 Ice Lolly.** Variation Blue and White Ice Pop. Made in Hong Kong. Mint.
- 861 Wanted **Old Smurf Catalogs**, mainly seeking mail order Smurf items. Will consider photocopies. Submit information in first letter.
- 862 Wanted **Smurf Action Figurines** as featured in Newsletter 17, Summer 1990. Prefer mint on card. Please submit asking price in first letter.
- 863 Wanted **Smurf Figurines from Haring, Brazil** they must have this marking! Please submit list of figurines w/ numbers, condition etc.
- 864 For Sale **Hardee's Meal Boxes featuring Smurfs.** Good to Mint condition.

Our regular Paint Variation section will continue in our next Newsletter.