

Chicagopex 2026 Literature Exhibits

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- 01 *American Occupation of the Rhineland 1918–1923*, by Jerry H. Miller. This book presents a history of the American Third Army's movement into Germany's Rhineland and its occupation after the WWI armistice in 1918 until 1923. Included in the study are postal history, postage, censorship, inter-allied Rhineland commission activity, specialized material, and ephemera. Published by the Military Postal History Society and available through <Amazon.com> for \$9.99 plus shipping.
- 02 *British and Irish Telegraph Stamps 1851–1901*, by Brian Callan. This book examines the independent telegraph company stamps and those of the Post Office stamps which replaced them in 1870. Published by Limetree Press, Cork, Ireland. Available from the author at <briancallan9@gmail.com> for \$45 plus an additional \$20 for postage to the USA.
- 03 *A compendium of articles on the Half Anna Lithograph Stamps*, by Dinesh Kanabar. Presented here is a collection of research articles examining the Half Anna lithographed stamps of India. Included is information about production, varieties, postal history, and philatelic significance. Published by the author.
- 04 *Paleophilatelie.eu the place where Paleontology and Paleoanthropology meet Philately*, by Michael Kogan. This website is the online resource dedicated to the representation of Paleontology and Paleoanthropology in Philately. Online access is free at <paleophilatelie.eu>.
- 05 *Italian Lake Mail Postal Markings*, by Grahame Lindsey and Bill DiPaolo. This is a handbook of postal markings used on the northern Italian lakes. Included is a brief postal history of each lake. Published by Italy and Colonies Study Circle. Available for \$50 postpaid from Bill DiPaolo, 12310 Sunglow Blvd, Unit 101, Venice, FL 34293; <billidip1@gmail.com>; <icsc-uk.com>.
- 06 *The Nile Post: Handbook and catalogue of Egyptian Stamps*, by Joseph Chalhoub. This handbook and catalogue covers the stamps of Egypt including listings of the Egyptian issue for Palestine and Sudan, as well as those of the French consular post office in Alexandria and Port Said. This two volume work is available as a digital download for \$100 or print copy for \$210 from the author, P.O. Box 132, Victoria Station, Westmount, Quebec H3Z 2U4 Canada. <nilepostcatalogue.com> <chalhoub1@aol.com>.
- 07 *Stamped Envelope and Wrapper Specimens of the United States, 4th edition*, Sean Kennedy, Editor. This catalog covers U.S. postal stationery envelopes, wrappers, and letter sheets overprinted "Specimen" and used for various non-postal purposes. Published by the United Postal Stationery Society. Order online at <www.upss.org/publications> \$65 hardcover, \$19 digital download.
- 08 *A Philatelic Economic and Business History of the United States*, by Joseph A. Giacalone, Ph.D. An economic history with a philatelic twist. This ebook tells the story of U.S. economic development through its postage stamps. Available as a download for \$10 at <<https://leanpub.com/economic-philatelic/c/chicagopex>>.
- 09 *The Posthorn*, edited by Tony Bard. This is the journal of record for stamps and postal history of the Nordic countries including research and new findings. The magazine also reports club events and services to the members. Published for members of the Scandinavian Collectors Club. Membership information from SCC, PO Box 6377, Denver, CO 80206; <sccmembershipchair@outlook.com>; <www.scc-online.org>.
- 10 *Cold War: Polar military conflict mail*, by Hal Vogel and Serge Kahn. A chronological examination of military conflict mail connected with the Polar regions. Analysis of covers detailing postal history aspects. Published by the American Society of Polar Philatelists, available from the American Philatelic Society, 100 Match Factory Place, Bellefonte, PA 16823 <www.stamps.org> for \$50.00 plus shipping.
- 11 *Ice Cap News*, Eric Knapp, Editor. *Ice Cap News* records original research on the postal history of Polar Expeditions of all periods as well as services to the society membership. Published by the American Society of Polar Philatelists. Information from ASPP Secretary Bill Stahl, 7260 West 28th Ave, Wheat Ridge, CO 80033-8034; <silly_billy@msn.com>; <www.polarphilatelists.org>.
- 12 *lithpex.com*, Audrius Brazdeikis. This website contains over 60 philatelic exhibits. LITHPEX hosts virtual philatelic exhibitions, transforming individual collections into lasting online archives — presented for collectors, juries, and researchers worldwide. A free website maintained by the Lithuania Philatelic Society.
- 13 *First Days*, Tony Bard, Editor. This a journal of record for all aspects of first day covers including earliest documented use, unofficial cancels, cachet makers, as well as providing services to society members. Published by the American First Day Cover Society, PO Box 57, Somerset, WI 54025-0057; <afdc@afdc.org>; <www.afdc.org>.
- 14 *A. M. G. Courier*, Richard Pederson, Editor. The journal contains articles about collecting Allied Military Government (AMG) stamps and postal history. Also included is information about the club and its activities. Information from AMGCC c/o David Arking, 223 Williamsburg Road, Lansing, MI 48917; <arkmail@comcast.net>; <www.amgcollectors.org>.
- 15 *Hebert's Reference Guide of Plate Number Singles*, Rick Burdsall, Editor. This publication lists and prices mint and used plate number, AIP, and copyright singles from 1890 banknotes to current issues. It is also designed to

- be used as a checklist. Available for \$50 plus postage (\$8.08 in USA) from APNSS, Rick Burdsall, PO Box 1023, Palatine, IL 60078-1023; <apnss.sec@gmail.com>; <www.apnss.org>.
- 16 www.apnss.org (*American Plate Number Single Society website*, Rick Burdsall, webmaster. The APNSS website illustrates at least one plate number single for every U.S. stamp, including varieties such as errors, misperfs, proofs, color shifts, and precancels. <www.apnss.org>.
- 17 *Routes to a Nation: The Post Office in the Colonies and early United States*, by Daniel A. Piazza, Lynn Heidelbaugh, and Alison R. Bazylinski. How the post shaped revolution, commerce, government, and everyday life in colonial and early national America, rightly illustrated with National Postal Museum artifacts. Published by Smithsonian Books, available from Smithsonian National Postal Museum Shop, PO Box 37012 MRC 570, Washington, DC 20023-7012 for \$45 plus shipping (hardcover) or \$27.99 (ebook). <MPM_Curatorial@si.edu>; <postalmuseum.si.edu/museum-shop>.
- 18 *The History of Airmail in Poland and Its Contribution to Airmail Services of Europe (1914–1939), Second Edition*, by Jerzy W. Kupiec-Weglinski. Account of the rise of airmail carriers in Europe beginning with the siege of Przemyśl in 1914–1915, the pioneer period of 1921–24, and the expansion period (1925–1939), and concluding with the Nazi invasion of Poland in September 1939. Published by the Chicago Collectors Club, 1029 N. Dearborn St., Chicago, IL 60610 for \$79 postpaid or \$20 for a digital download. <djundeers@gmail.com>; <<https://www.collectorsclubchicago.org/on-demand-books/>>.
- 19 *Yule Log*, Michael L. Wilson, Editor. *The Yule Log* is the official publication of the Christmas Philatelic Club (CPC), a worldwide not-for-profit organization founded in 1969. The purpose of the CPC is to promote the association of Christmas topical collectors in philatelic activities for the sharing of knowledge and enjoyment of all aspects of Christmas philately. Annual dues \$20 (print) or \$10 (digital download). Contact CPC c/o Jim Balog, Secretary-Treasurer, PO Box 744, Geneva, OH 44041-0744; <bp4stamps@gmail.com>; <<https://christmasphilatelicclub.com/>>.
- 20 *The Rocket Mails of India*, by Markand Dave. This is a comprehensive research compendium of Indian rocket mail. Published by the author, price \$45, contact author at <markand7@yahoo.com>.
- 21 *The Stamp Collecting Community: Handbook & Resources*, by Dr. Bruce Arlen Wasserman. A comprehensive philatelic handbook containing articles and reference material designed for beginning adult collectors. 5,000 copies were freely distributed at Boston 2026.
- 22 *The Airpost Journal*, Dr. Bruce Arlen Wasserman, editor. The journal of the American Air Mail Society is published 6 times per year. It provides the membership with society news and articles about air postal service around the world. Information from the American Air Mail Society, PO Box 1364, West Chatham, MA 02669; <treasurer@americanairmailssociety.org>; <<https://www.americanairmailssociety.org>>.
- 23 *Six Theses: The relationships between fiscal and postal philatelic materials*, by Michael Mahler. Six theses defining the relationship between fiscal and postal stamps, covers, and documents. Published by Paper Trail Publications. Soft cover, available for \$10.99 from Amazon.com.

Articles

- A-01 “How Franklin D. Roosevelt Collected Worldwide Stamps,” by Paul M. Holland. This article presents careful analysis of over three hundred intact original album pages and five thousand stamps personally mounted by FDR showing how he collected stamps. Published in the December 2025 issue of *The American Philatelist*, published by the American Philatelic Society.
- A-02 “Simultaneous Development of Philately, Geology, and Palaeontology as a Result of the British Industrial Revolution,” by Michael Kogan. The article examines how the social, economic, and technological transformations that accompanied Britain’s industrialization led both to the introduction of the Penny Black Mulready postal stationery and to the rapid development of Geology/Paleontology during the century. Published online on the website <Paleophilatelie.eu> and can be accessed for free.
- A-03 “Duttia State: An Unrecorded Variety Hidden in Plain Sight,” by Vivek S. Chopra and Danforth Walker. A newly identified Duttia stamp variety challenges long-held assumptions, demonstrating how a careful study of design reveals a significant discovery in familiar material. Published in the July-August 2026 issue of the *Collectors Club Philatelist*, the journal of the Collectors Club of New York.
- A-04 “Two Day Provisionals! When Jasdan had no stamps to sell — the reality of a small state post of India” by Vivek S. Chopra. When Jasdan’s post office ran out of stamps, ingenious two-day provisionals kept the mails moving — an overlooked episode in the postal history of an Indian princely state. Published in the May 2026 issue of *The London Philatelist*, published by the Royal Philatelic Society London.
- A-05 “‘Mails Suspended’ Markings Applied During the American Civil War,” by Daniel M. Knowles. This article updates our understanding of “Mails Suspended” markings applied by Northern post offices to covers addressed to the seceded states during the Civil War. Published by the United States Classics Society in the February 2026 issue

of the *Chronicle* 289: Volume 78, No. 1, pp. 19–30.

- A-06 “Spooky Stamps of Canada,” by Ron Breznay. Published in the September-October 2025 issue of *The Canadian Philatelist* this article describes the horror topical stamps of Canada. <RPSC.org>.
- A-07 “S.S. Forerunner: From Bordeaux to Bathurst in 1852—Taking epistolary research to a higher level” by Gary Wayne Loew, FRPSL. An 1852 letter to Gambia becomes a detective story of trade, hidden identities, postal markings, and the maiden voyage of S.S. Forerunner to West Africa. Published in the May 2026 issue of *The American Philatelist*, journal of the American Philatelic Society; 100 Match Factory Place, Bellefont, PA 16823; <www.stamps.org>.
- A-08 “An 1852 letter to Gambia becomes a detective story of trade, hidden identities, postal markings, and the maiden voyage of S.S. Forerunner to West Africa.” by Gary Wayne Loew, FRPSL. A 1937 first-day cover bound for Vienna deliberately detours through South America, revealing airmail routes, rate puzzles, philatelic ingenuity, and postal persistence along the way. Published in the March-April 2026 issue of *First Days* the official journal of the American First Day Cover Society, PO Box 57, Somerset, WI 54025-0057; <www.afdcs.org>.
- A-09 “Following an Envelope from Canton to São Paulo – A Context Philately Perspective” by Gary Wayne Loew, FRPSL. A 1935 commercial airmail cover travels on a 26-day, 16,000-mile journey from Canton, China, to São Paulo, Brazil, passing through 35 cities and towns, using seven carriers. Published in the Second Quarter 2026 issue of *Kelleher’s Collector’s Quarterly* published by Kelleher Auctions, 22 Shelter Rock Lane, Unit 53, Danbury, CT 06810 <www.kelleherauctions.com>.
- A-10 “The Double Life of the Piper Cub: Bazooka Charlie And A Stranger-Than-Fiction History,” by Dr. Bruce Arien Wasserman. The story of the Piper Cub single-engine plane, its evolution from everyman’s airplane carrying irregular mail to a bazooka-firing platform in World War II. Published in the May/June 2026 issue of *The Airpost Journal*, published by the American Air Mail Society, PO Box 1364, West Chatham, MA 02669; <treasurer@americanairmailssociety.org>; <https://www.americanairmailssociety.org>.
- A-11 “U.S. Classic Revenues: Improbable Combinations, Dual-nation stampings, Multiple U.S. Taxes,” by Michael Mahler. Published in *The London Philatelist*, May 2025, June 2025, and April 2026. Published by the Royal Philatelic Society London.