

REFERENCES (this section must be completed)

- a. Commercial references (not relatives or business associates. Two are to be given in addition to the sponsoring member of the Society)

1. Name _____

Address and/or telephone _____

2. Name _____

Address and/or telephone _____

- b. C.P.S. Member proposing applicant

Name _____

Proposer's Signature _____

C.P.S. Number _____

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CHICAGO PHILATELIC SOCIETY



AN INVITATION

Mailing Address:
Chicago Philatelic Society
P. O. Box A3953
Chicago, IL 60690-3953

Let us tell you about the Chicago Philatelic Society

You will enjoy becoming a member and derive many benefits.

Founded on October 8, 1886, as the direct successor to the Chicago Stamp Collectors Union of 1884, the Chicago Philatelic Society (CPS) is one of the two organizations with the longest uninterrupted service to philately in the United States. In programs, in our annual exhibition CHICAGOPEX, and in other matters we are very much up to date. We meet every third Thursday of each month at 7:00pm for a short business meeting and a philatelic program by a member or guest.

CPS is Chapter No. 1 of the American Philatelic Society (APS). CPS members attending our meetings are able to connect with fellow members, hear about upcoming philatelic events and may listen and learn from speakers talking about a variety of stamp and postal history topics.

Each fall, CPS stages CHICAGOPEX, an annual national-level philatelic exhibition, which is part of the World Series of Philately. Its "national" status is recognized by the APS, and the winner of our open class becomes eligible to compete in the APS Champion of Champions competition. In addition, exhibitors receiving high awards are eligible to compete in international exhibitions under FIP rules. Members are encouraged to volunteer as part of the show committee.

An annual awards banquet is held at CHICAGOPEX. At its conclusion, exhibition medals and trophies are awarded, and the Newbury Award is announced (named after famed Chicago philatelist Saul Newbury and considered the most coveted award to a Chicagoland philatelist).

The *CPS Bulletin*, published monthly, is designed to keep the membership informed on our own and others' activities. There is usually a philatelic article included. Members are encouraged to provide information for inclusion in the *Bulletin*.

As philatelists, we have common interests. The Chicago Philatelic Society was founded for and is designed to help serve these interests. You owe it to yourself and to your hobby to join one of the oldest and most active stamp collectors clubs in Chicagoland.

We hope you will fill out the attached application form and attend our meetings in person or via online video conference.



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A P S Chapter No 1 Organized October 8, 1886

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OFFICIAL APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

EXTRACT FROM THE BY-LAWS

ARTICLE IX - DUES There shall be charged against and payable by all members of the corporation regular dues, which dues shall be \$15.00 (e-mail newsletter) / \$23 (hard copy newsletter) per year... In case the applicant is rejected, the money shall be refunded...Dues are payable in advance.

Please read this application carefully before completing it. Please answer all questions.

Date _____

I hereby apply for regular membership in the Chicago Philatelic Society and enclose the first year's dues.

NAME (please print) _____

STREET ADDRESS OR P.O. BOX

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

AGE _____ OCCUPATION _____

PHONE _____ EMPLOYER _____

I am a (circle): Collector Collector & Dealer Dealer
Collecting and/or dealer specialties _____

I am an A.P.S. member; membership number _____

I am a member of these philatelic organizations:

I have never been refused membership in or expelled from any philatelic organization (please explain if this statement prevents you from signing the application.) _____

SIGNATURE _____ (continued on reverse)