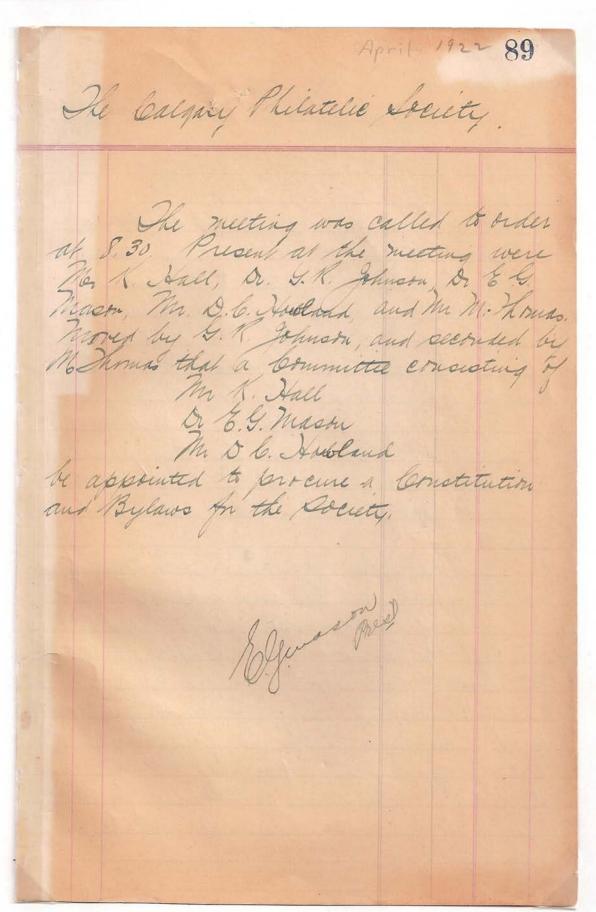
# HISTORY OF THE CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

The Calgary Philatelic Society was founded in 1922 by Dr. Edward George Mason. This exhibit shows items drawn from the CPS archives to illustrate the history of the society.

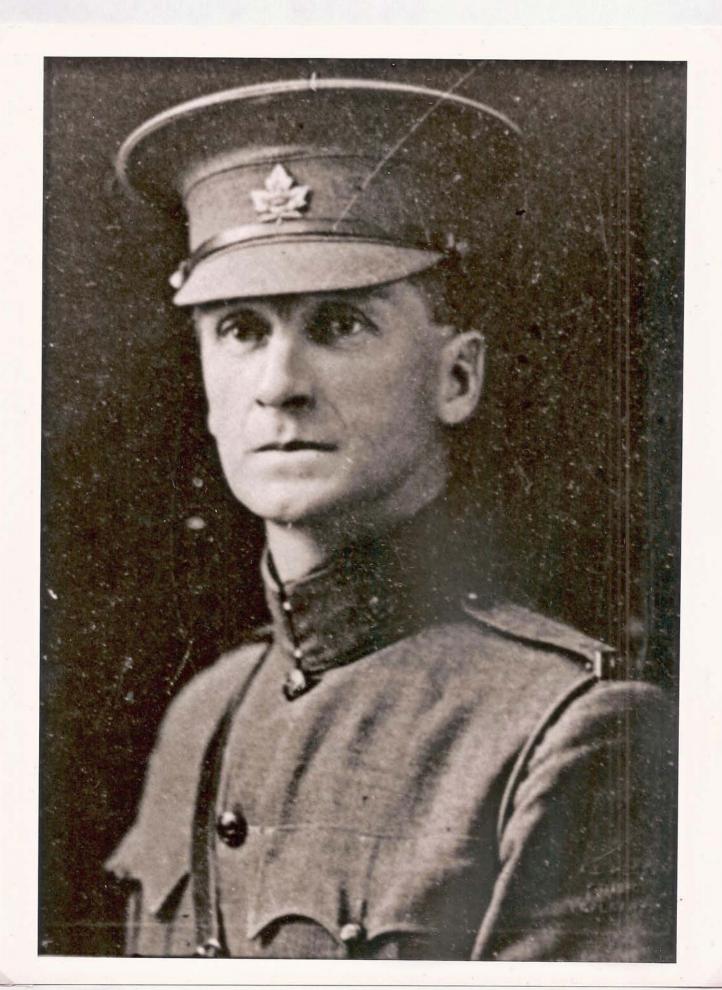


#### MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING

The founding meeting of the Calgary Philatelic Society was held on April 22, 1922. Dr. Mason was in the chair and kept the minutes, shown below.



Dr. Mason, taken in 1915 when he was Lt-Colonel commanding the 50th Battalion of Calgary.



Dr. E.G. Mason as he looked during the 1930s when he was most active with the Calgary Philatelic Society. (Photo courtesy of his great-granddaughter Beth Saunders.)



#### E. G. MASON, M.D., C.M. 602-FIRST STREET EAST CALGARY - ALBERTA

August 18th 1939.

Mr. Charles F. Southey, Box 405, Young, Sask.

Dear Mr. Southey:

I have very little knowledge of the early postal history of the North West Territories. I have gone through my dated copies, and I find that the earliest date I have is Emerson, Manitoba June 1st 1883, and Medicine Hat, Assiniboia September 23rd 1884. I find many other dates, but they are all in the late 80's and early 90's, which is not what you want.

Mr. L.S. Crosby, Banff, Alberta has a big collection of dated copies of the late 70's and early 80's in the 3¢ reds, and he may be able to give you some further information.

Yours sincerely,

E.G. Mason. M.D.

EGM/R

No. 50245366

# CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT

- CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY -

IS THIS DAY INCORPORATED UNDER THE SOCIETIES ACT OF THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE AT EDMONTON, ALBERTA,

THIS \_\_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_\_ A.D. 19\_80.

Registrar of Companies





CORPORATE AFFAIRS

#### **MEETINGS**

For much of its history, the CPS did not have a club bulletin, and relied on postcards to inform the membership about upcoming events.

# CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Dear Sir :-

The next meeting of the Calgary Philatelic Society will be held in the Board Room, Herald Building, Calgary, on TUESDAY next, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, at 8:30 p.m., and you are cordially invited to attend.

Yours very truly,

A. B. HARRIS,

Secretary-Treasurer.

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The CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY will hold its monthly AUCTION at the Calgary Public Library Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. on DECEMBER 15th 1969

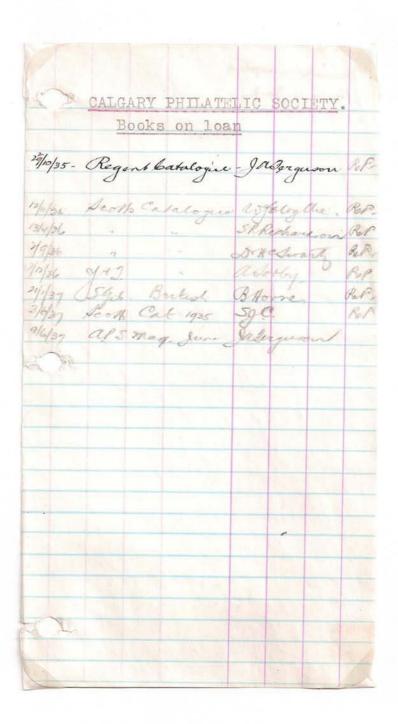
Be sure to attend and bring a friend.

The CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY
will hold its monthly Meeting-Auction
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8:00 p.m. on FEBRUARY 2nd&16th
Be sure to attend and bring a friend.

#### LIBRARY

The CPS Library is a benefit of membership and contains a wide variety of books, catalogues, and periodicals. This charge slip shown below dates from the Library's early days in the 1930s.



# **CIRCUIT BOOKS**

From the beginning of the CPS, one of its purposes was to supply a venue for members to buy, sell, or trade stamps. Methods used were auctions, bourses, and circuit books (also known as approval books or exchanges). The book below is from an uncertain decade but probably pre-1960.

PAGE VALUE	Book No
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	From
	Member No.
	CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY
	CALGARY, ALBERTA,
TOTAL	CANADA

1927 exchanges routing sheet. Most members had the exchanges routed through their work place. Notice the variety of occupations they had.

# CAIGARY PHILAPPLIC SOCIETY

# EXCHANGE CIRCUIT ROUTING SHEET

April 20, 1927.

(All previous sheets cancelled)

Dr. H. G. Hason A. B. Harris D. E. Black W. C. Hives W. C. Black F. R. Reader G.A. Morrison Ivan Linton F. G. Freeman W. J. S. Welker H. A. Rose Ronald Wood H. H. Hartney Geo. A. Reid J.Stanley Horne. W. C. West A. Sorby H. Lewis J. H. Moir E. Scruton A. R. Lord

520 Lat Street Bast 239 6th Ave West Henry Birks Sons, Herald Block Registration Div. Post Office Water Works Dept. City Hall. Parks Supt. City Hall Magistrate's Office, City Police. Lint on Bros. 8th Ave East Customs House - Parcels. 53 Lineham Bldg 8th Ave East 916 Lancaster Bldg G.P R. Micket Office - Station. Albertan Job Press. 8th Ave Last 1637 15th Ave West Campbell, Wilson & Horne, 10th Ave W Can. Bunk of Commerce, Centre St. John Irwin Go 8th Ave West 420 12th St N.W. 6 Ross Block, Hillhurst 810 4th Avenue West 611 3rd Avenue West.

The CPS also has Private Treaty books for more expensive material.

CALGARY PHILATELIC	NET PRICE	
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#### STAMP SHOWS

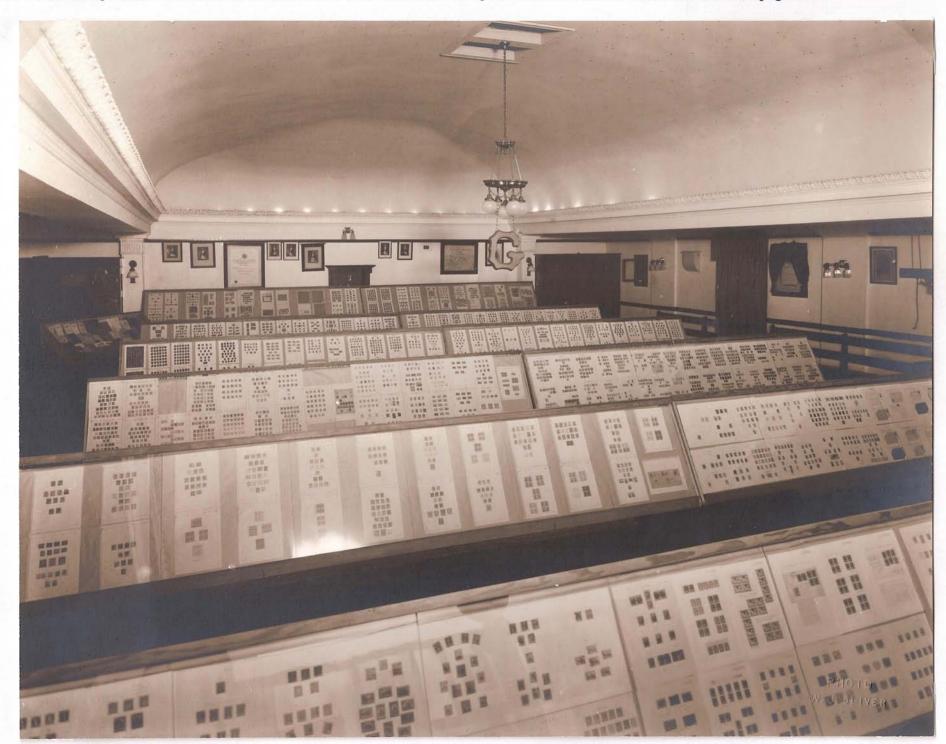
The first public stamp show in Calgary was hosted by the CPS on October 22, 1927. It was held in the King George Masonic Temple on Kensington Road NW in the Hillhurst district. The photo shows the building in 1987, since converted into boutiques.



This cover is addressed to Dr. Mason a few days before the first stamp show.



Photo of first stamp show in 1927, inside Masonic Hall. Note the almost complete lack of covers and the variable album page sizes.



The CPS did not host annual public stamp shows until the 1970s. After the 1927 show, the trend was for public dinners and auctions. These eventually evolved into an annual show called CALPEX. The name was later changed to CALTAPEX because there already was an annual show in California using the name.

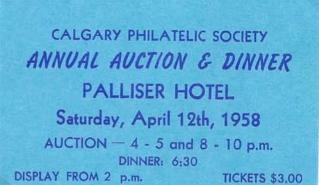


THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL DINNER

PALLISER HOTEL

Dec. 8, 1953

\$3.00





PALLISER HOTEL, EAST ROOM

Saturday, March 5th, 1960

Auction 3-5 and 8-10 p.m.

Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Dinner Ticket \$3.00

# CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

PRESENTS
CALPEX '64

# 43rd Annual Exhibition and Dinner

HOTEL PALLISER Saturday, April 11th, 1964

Exhibition Opens

11 a.m. Dinner at 6 p.m.

TICKETS \$3.50 each

Auction Times: 3:00 and 8:00 p.m.

# CALPEX '77 April 29,30 and May 1, 1977

April 29,30 and May 1,1977 annual Exhibition of The Calgary Philatelic Society



Ealgary's First Post Office
Opened October 1,1883
Photo Courtesy of Canada Post Office

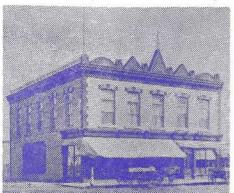


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April 28 & 30, 1928
annual exhibition of
The Calgary Philatelic Society



Calgary's Second Post Office 1886-1894





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# CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

# BANQUET TICKET (SHOW PASS)

April 29, and 30, 1978 Palliser Hotel

### ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

April 29, 1978
Cocktails 6:30 P.M. Marquis Room
Dinner 7:00 P.M. Palliser Hotel

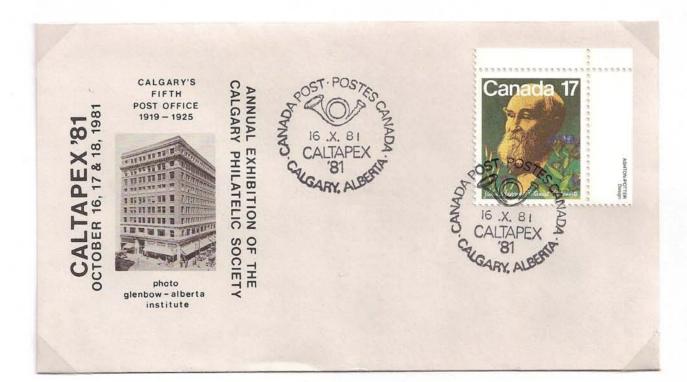
May 5 & 6, 1979 annual exhibition of The Calgary Philatelic Society







Calgary's Third Post Office 1894—1905



**CALTAPEX '82**OCTOBER 16 & 17, 1982

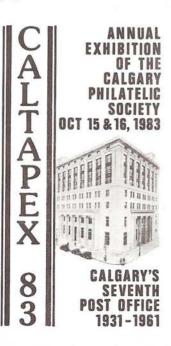






calgary's sixth post office

ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF THE CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY





THE ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF THE CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY OCTOBER 12 to 14,1984







CALGAPA 21 IX EA 4LTA:

CALTAPEX '86

Oct. 17, 18 & 19, 1986
annual exhibition of
The Calgary Philatelic Society



Calgary's Ninth Post Office Opened 1979



October 9, 10 & 11, 1987
annual exhibition of
The Calgary Philatelic Society



William Bannerman Calgary's First Postmaster 1883-1885





# СНГНЬЕХ '88

October 14, 15 & 16, 1988 annual exhibition of The Calgary Philatelic Society



George C. King Calgary's Second Postmaster 1885–1921



October 6, 7 & 8, 1989 annual exhibition of The Calgary Philatelic Society



Harold Hargreaves Calgary's Third Postmaster 1921 - 1933





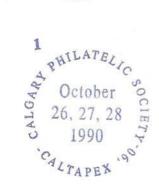
# **CALTAPEX '90**

October 26, 27 & 28, 1990 the annual exhibition of The Calgary Philatelic Society



James Britton Corley Calgary's Fourth Postmaster 1933 - 1945







October 25, 26 & 27, 1991 the annual exhibition of The Calgary Philatelic Society



Frank Argue Calgary's Fifth Postmaster 1946 - 1948



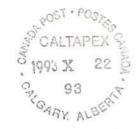


70 YEARS 1922 - 1992











ANNUAL SHOW CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

OCTOBER 22-24, 1993

#### CALGARY'S CENTENNIAL OF INCORPORATION AS A CITY 1894–1994



STEPHEN AVE [1892]

CALTAPEX '94
OCTOBER 21–23, 1994
ANNUAL SHOW OF THE
CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY



# Celebrating the Centenary of the 2c Map Stamp



# Important Map Stamp Dates

December 7, 1898
Earliest known use on cover

December 25, 1898

Introduction of Imperial Penny Postage

January 1, 1899
Domestic and U.S. rates dropped to 2c

Caltapex '98 Calgary Philatelic Society





Oct. 16-18, 1998

# CALTAPEX









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CELEBRATING CALGARY'S
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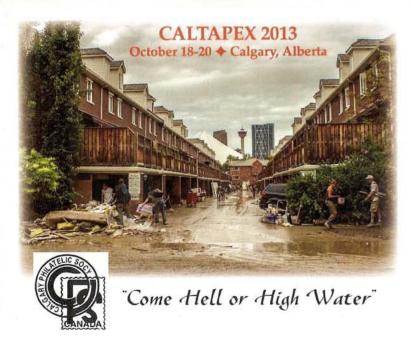


CALTAPEX Oct. 15-17, 2010



CALTAPEX October 14-16, 2011







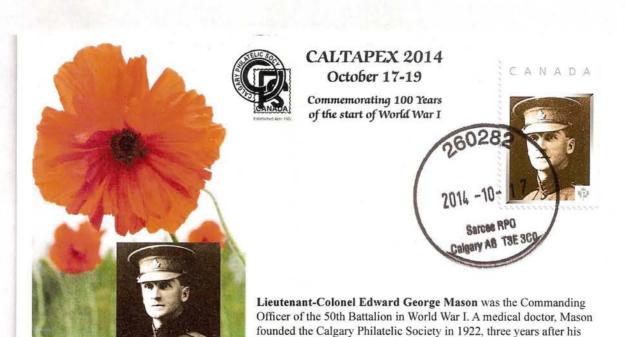


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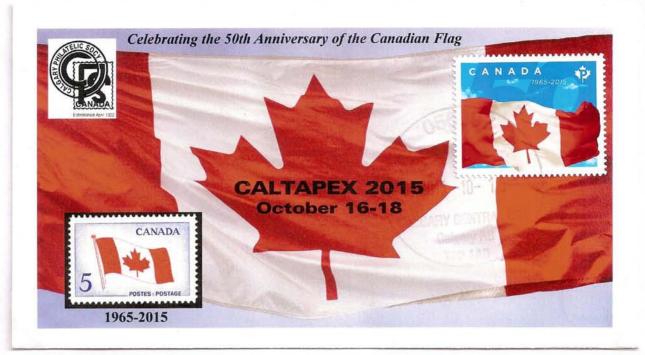
Commemorating 100 Years of the start of World War I

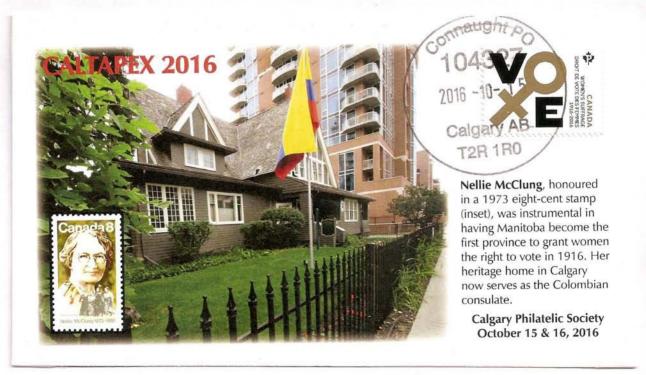


**Lieutenant-Colonel Edward George Mason** was the Commanding Officer of the 50th Battalion in World War I. A medical doctor, Mason founded the Calgary Philatelic Society in 1922, three years after his return from Europe.



return from Europe.





Centenary of Western Canada's First AirMail Flight – Calgary to Edmonton 9 July, 1918 Pilot: Katherine Stinson



Calgary Philatelic Society presents CALTAPEX 2018, October 13-14 Celebrating Aviation in Western Canada



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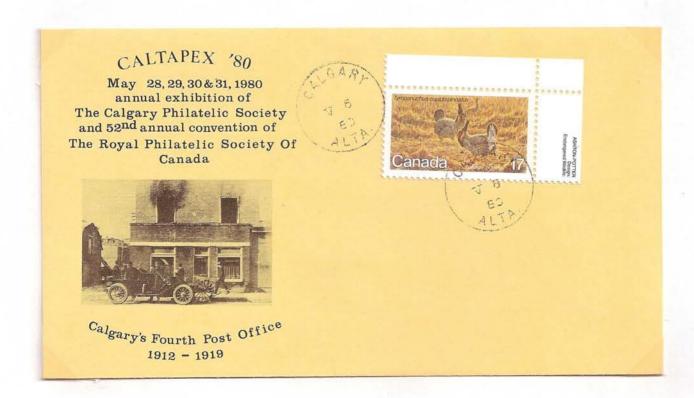


The Calgary Philatelic Society presents
CALTAPEX 2019 October 19-20.
Celebrating National Stamp Collecting Month
and Pandas. Show features a Young Collectors table,
Dealers, Exhibits, and Seminars.



#### NATIONAL-LEVEL SHOWS

The CPS has hosted a number of stamp shows sanctioned by national philatelic shows. The annual convention of the Royal Philatelic Society was hosted by Calgary in 1980, 1997, and 2006.



Name

Collecting Interest

**ADMISSION TO ALL FUNCTIONS** 

CALTAPEX '80

**GLENBOW MUSEUM TOUR** 

Meet at Marquis Room Entrance Register for tour at Registration Desk

# CALTAPEX '80

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION Royal Philatelic Society of Canada

MACLEOD HALL "D" FOYER Convention Centre

Thursday May 29, 1980

6:30 p.m.

#### **CALTAPEX '80**

"Surprise"

Calgary Hospitality Night MACLEOD HALL "D" Convention Centre

Thursday May 29, 1980

7:30 p.m.

#### CALTAPEX-80

CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY Reception

Oval Room Palliser Hotel

Saturday May 31, 1980

6:30 p.m.

# CALTAPEX '80 6

AWARDS BANQUET

Palliser

Room -

Palliser

Hotel

Saturday May 31, 1980

7:30 p.m.

#### CALTAPEX '80

LUCKY DRAW for STAMP PRIZE

Be sure to get your raffle ticket and support our club

Tickets on sale at Reception Desk

Draw will take place on Saturday, May 31, 1980 at 7:25 p.m. OVAL ROOM

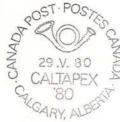
#### **CALTAPEX '80** AUCTION

Palliser Room Sunday, June 1, 1980 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Lots on View at the CALGARY STAMP SHOP **BOURSE TABLE** 

Attend in person or fill in a bid sheet



Day of Issue Canada Post Office







Day of Issue Jour d'émission Canada Post Office Postes canadiennes





For the 1997 Royal show, Canada Post issued two commemorative postal stationery envelopes.

FROM/DE

ROYAL CALTAPEX\*1997\* ROYALE CALGARY, ALBERTA September 19-21 septembre, 1997

> Dr. Edward G. Mason Founder / fondateur CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

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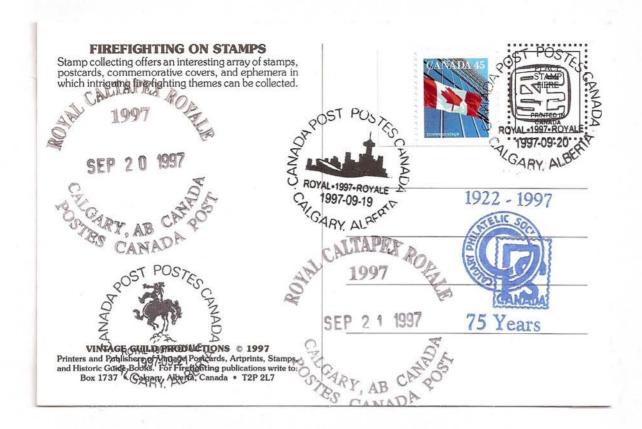


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# **ROYAL CALTAPEX \*1997\* ROYALE**

Coast Plaza Hotel, Calgary, Alberta

# Presidents Reception

Saturday Sept. 20, 1997

6:00pm

\$20.00 each

#250

Calgary Philatelic Society 75th Anniversary

# **ROYAL CALTAPEX \*1997\* ROYALE**

Coast Plaza Hotel, Calgary, Alberta

# **Awards Banquet**

Saturday Sept. 20, 1997

7:00pm

\$45.00 each

#250

Calgary Philatelic Society 75th Anniversary

#### **ROYAL CALTAPEX \*1997\* ROYALE**

Coast Plaza Hotel, Calgary, Alberta
Western Entertainment and Barbecue
Elkana Ranch, Bragg Creek

Friday Sept. 19, 1997

7:00pm

\$45.00 each

#250

Includes Bus transportation from and to Coast Plaza Hotel Lobby - 5:30pm Sharp

The 2006 RPSC convention was marked by a display of pages from the Queen's personal collection, the first time anything from her stamp collection was ever displayed in western Canada.





### MGI Securities

cordially invites you to attend an exclusive viewing of select items from the privately owned stamp collection of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II; a rare, time-honored display of the history of Great Britain and the Commonwealth.

Thursday, September 28, 2006 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm The Coast Plaza Hotel and Conference Centre 1316 33 Street NE

Please join us for refreshments and this grand occasion to socialize.



The favor of a reply is requested by September 21 Rsvp to jsouthcombe@mgisecurities.com



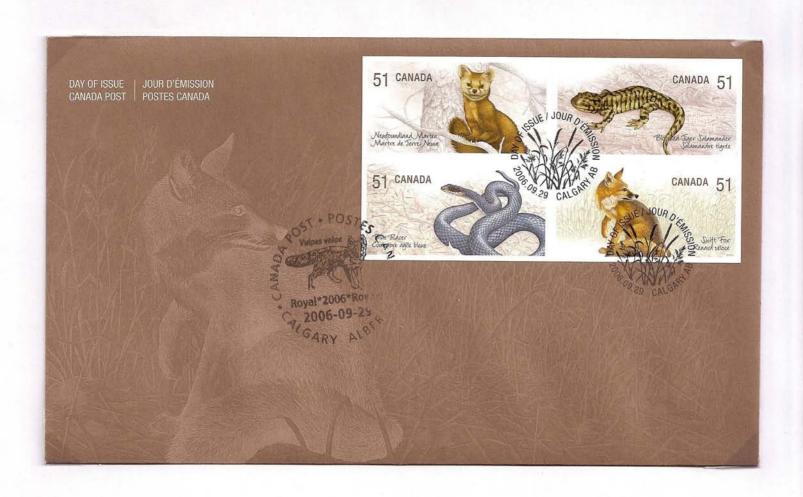
Cub and Scout Collectors Badge
Program and Sleep Over
Sepember 30 to October 1 at
ROYAL\*2006\*ROYALE





SOSSI Maple Leaf Chapter 15 Scouts on Stamps Society International

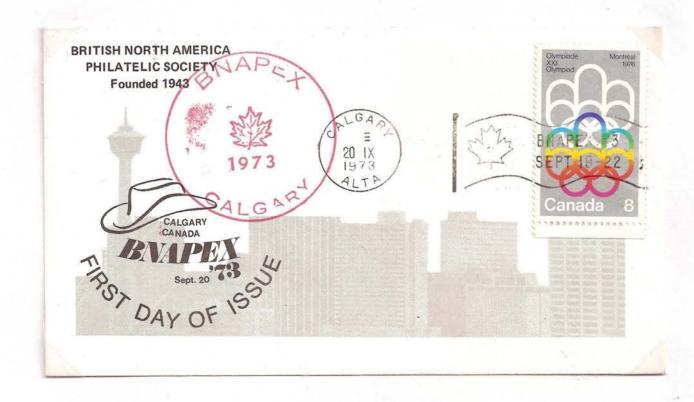






The CPS has also hosted national conventions of the British North America Philatelic Society in 1960, 1973, 1985, and 2007. The 1960 convention was actually in Banff; the rest in Calgary.







100 years of letter carrier service in Calgary



C.P.R. movement of the mails



Katherine Stinson airmail flight

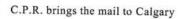
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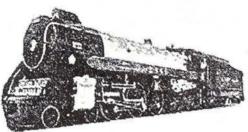


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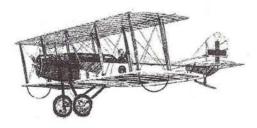






BNAPEX 2007 CALTAPEX Calgary, Alberta

Katherine Stinson flies the first airmail from Calgary in 1918.





BNAPEX 2007 CALTAPEX Calgary, Alberta

BNAPEX 2012

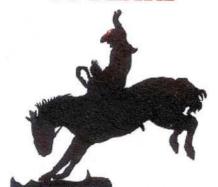


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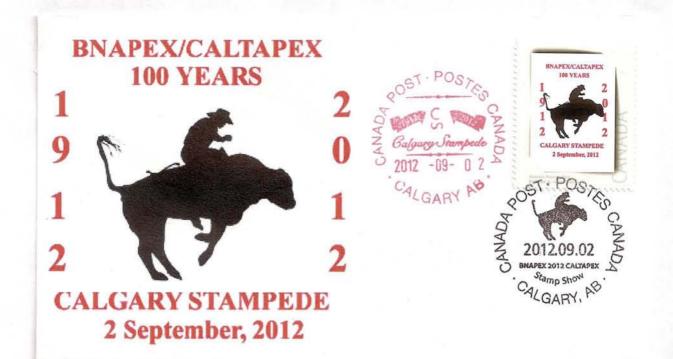


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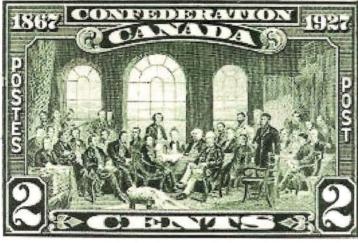
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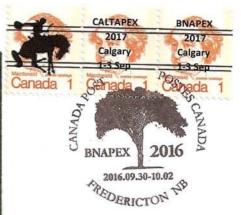




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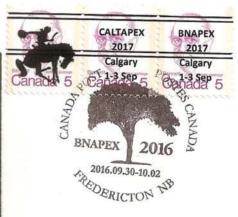
Celebrating 150 Years of Confederation 1867-2017



## BNAPEX-2017, September 1-3, 2017 Calgary, AB



Celebrating 150 Years of Confederation 1867-2017



### BNAPEX-2017-CALTAPEX September 1-3, Calgary, AB





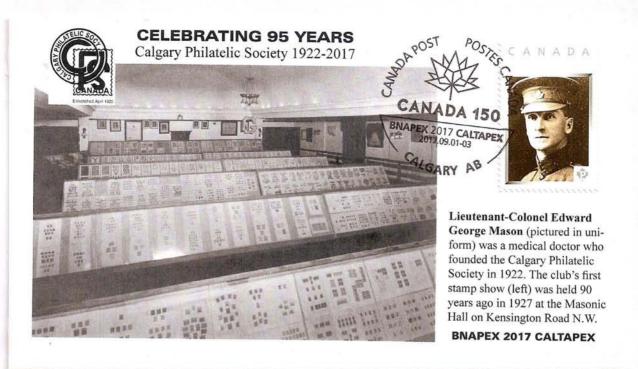


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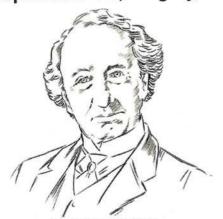


Celebrating 150 Years of Confederation 1867-2017





# BNAPEX-2017-CALTAPEX September 1-3, Calgary, AB



SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD CANADA'S FIRST PREMIER (PRIME MINISTER) 1867

Celebrating 150 Years of Confederation 1867-2017

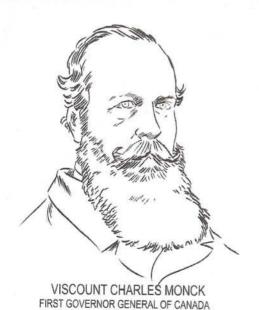






NORTH WEST MOUNTED POLICEMAN FOUNDERS OF CALGARY 1875

BNAPEX 2017 CALTAPEX • CALGARY ALBERTA DRAWING BY JOHN DELANEY

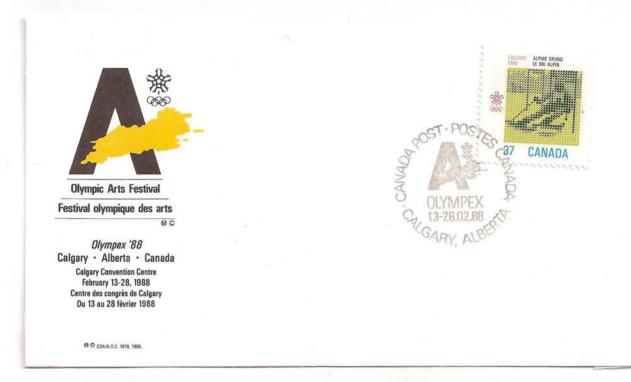


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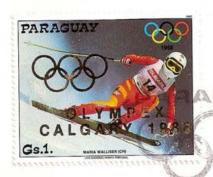
The CPS sponsored and organized OLYMPEX 88, which was held as part of the Olympics Arts Festival in conjunction with the 1988 Calgary Olympic Winter Games.



# **PARAGUAY**

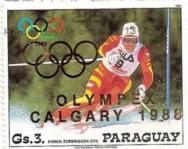


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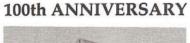


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#### SPECIAL EVENT COVERS

In 1983, at the initiative of the CPS, a commemorative cover was produced to honour the centennial of the Calgary post office. The first post office opened on October 1, 1883, in William Bannerman's feed store. Although Calgary was founded in 1875, the post office had to wait until the CPR transcontinental railroad arrived in 1883.





Calgary's First Post Office Established October 1, 1883



9 OF 500



### CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

BOX 1641 • CALGARY, ALBERTA • T2P 2L7

October 31st, 1983

Canada Post Corporation, 9828 - 104 Avenue, Edmonton, Alta. T5J 2T7

Attn: Mr. R. Smith,

General Manager - Foothills Division

Dear Mr. Smith,

Please find enclosed envelope number 1 of 500 printed, signed by Bob Winter as Postal representative (only 100 signed), and an explanatory letter commemorating the centenary of the Post Office and Canada Post Corp. serving the City of Calgary. As mentioned when we met in Calgary on September 30th, both the enclosures are to be forwarded to the National Postal Museum in Ottawa for their preservation.

On behalf of the Calgary Philatelic Soceity I would like to mention our appreciation for the work and results achieved by your staff for the centenary with such little notice. Our members are more aware of the history of the Post Office in Calgary as a result of all of the activity around the centenary.

With our philatelic society and Canada Post Corp. being involved in related endeavors, it is a pleasure to see both working together.

Yours very truly, CALGARY PHILATELIC SOCIETY

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The President Calgary Philatelic Society P.O. Box 1641 CALGARY, Alberta T2P 2L7

Dear Mr. President:

I am pleased to inform you that the special signed envelope number 1 of the centenary of the Calgary Post Office has been received by the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Judge René Marin.

Judge Marin appreciated hearing about the good work done by Calgary based Canada Post personnel in conjunction with the centenary. He has made the necessary arrangements to have your documents donated to the National Postal Museum.

We appreciate your interest in having this material donated to our Museum.

Yours truly,

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The Calgary Philatelic Society reciprocated with the cover below. Half the quantity produced went to China.





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# Alberta Centennial









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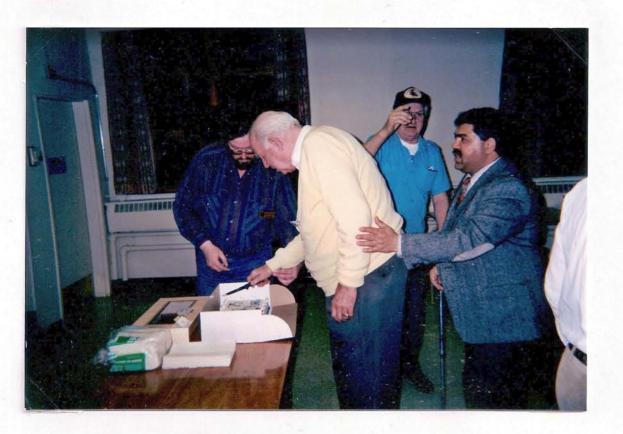
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#### OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS IN THE HISTORY OF THE CPS

The CPS celebrated its 75th anniversary at its April 1997 general meeting. There was a special cake cutting ceremony, performed by Jack Benningen (below, in white sweater), the oldest living member at the time.



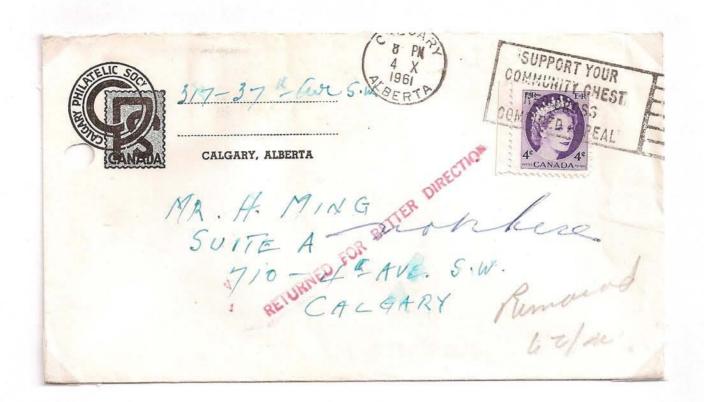


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Sid Richardson joined the CPS in 1929 and remained a member of the club continuously for 69 years until his death in 1998. The photo below was taken at his 65t membership anniversary. Sid is third from right posing with all the Past Presidents of the CPS.

The page at left is from the original membership book, showing that he was accepted as a member on December 3, 1929.





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