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PRESIDENT SID'S MONTHLY MESSAGE

As 2022 ended, I trust that Santa left you a nice philatelic item or two to enjoy and to encourage you to delve deeper into this wonderful hobby.

Happy Stamping New Year! Yes 2023 should prove to be a full and active philatelic year at WTSC. A year when we can pleasurably lose track of time pursuing personal as well as group philatelic activities, in-person and online.

- Spending hours in solitude in our stamp dens (what ever they may look like- who cares!) allows us to take advantage of that needed uninterrupted time to enjoy the hunt, add to, research, build, better understand, and appreciate our stamp collections, postal history projects and potential exhibits.
- As members of WTSC, we can continue to look forward to meeting with local members at our in-person meetings every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, and to be able to connect online with both distant and local members at our Learning Workshop and Discussion Group meetings, the other two Tuesdays. We can dig deeper for increased knowledge, and be proud and pleased, as well look back and have a second look at some of the knowledge-filled recorded online sessions posted at <http://www.westtorontostampclub.org/>. These frequent connections with like minded collectors will continue to enable a network of support and comradery, a positive supportive sharing community we all treasure and value.
- 2023 should also be a year of increased opportunities to reach out and to participate in the larger philatelic community. If still needed, mask up and attend local and national shows. As well, continue to pursue and explore the numerous sources of philatelic knowledge available online at the many philatelic organizations' / societies' and dealers' websites. Websites that are just overflowing with philatelic information that can enrich our understanding and appreciation of the stamp stuff that occupies the space around us.

Speaking also to myself; lets make 2023 a great year by being even more intentional as we pursue our hobby.

DECEMBER - PHILATELIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR WTSC MEMBERS AND GUESTS



January 3 - LEARNING WORKSHOP, 7 p.m. via Zoom, *'Everything and anything that starts with F'*

January 10 - Auction and Circuit book evening. In-person meeting at the Fairfield Centre.

January 17 - DISCUSSION GROUP, 7 p.m. via zoom, -"to be advised".

January 24 - Auction and Member/Vest pocket dealer tables evening. In-person meeting at the Fairfield Centre.

WTSC Circuit Books

Two items to bring to your attention:

- Our “Out-of-town” Members are reminded of the opportunity to participate in our successful Circuit Book program by submitting pages to put in the sales books.
The Circuit book guidelines and 13 different circuit page templates are available online at <http://www.westtorontostampclub.org/meetings.htm#circuit-books>
Please mail your completed pages to:
West Toronto Stamp Club
c/o Vincent Graves Greene Philatelic Research Foundation
10 Summerhill Avenue
Toronto, Ontario M4T 1A8
- FYI - WTSC will be participating in The North York Philatelic Society March 1st Circuit books night in cooperation with North Toronto. Early in the new year will be a good time to add your new pages to our WTSC Circuit Books.

DISCUSSION GROUP- January 17, 2023 - to be advised when topic has been confirmed.

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**CHECK OUT THE PSSC WEBSITE FOR THEIR LATEST
DOWNLOADABLE BOOK**

Philatelic Specialists Look at Aerophilately

Edited by David Piercey, FRPSC



Philatelic Specialists Society of Canada

2022



GTAPA NEWS

The GTAPA Annual General Meeting will take place January 25th. Elections for GTAPA executive positions will take place at the meeting. As with most organizations, new enthusiastic volunteer leadership is always sought after.

Members are welcome to attend. An agenda and zoom link to the meeting will be sent out when available.

LEARNING WORKSHOP

Starting at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2023 via Zoom, our 5th virtual Learning Workshop topic of the 2022-2023 season is 'Cinderellas and Labels.'"



It may look like a stamp, including perforations. But if it wasn't a post office issue, the popular collecting term is Cinderella; *Erinnophilie* in France and Germany; *Erinnofilia* in Italy.

Also called adhesive labels, the more popular philatelic name is derived from the ancient Greece story about a young woman ill-treated by relatives, relegated to menial labour before meeting and marrying into royalty. Retold in 1687 as 'Cendrillon' by French author Charles Perreault, the tale is best-known now because of Walt Disney's 1950 animated musical fantasy film, 'Cinderella', which the U.S. featured on a 39-cent commemorative in 2006.



The term was chosen "by the first Cinderella Stamp Club in 1959 as a reference to the mistreated and underappreciated fairy tale character," according to the Collectors Weekly website. "Cinderellas which have accidentally passed as true postage and appear cancelled on covers are particularly prized among collectors. While some philatelists shun these stamps because they are inauthentic, a fair number of Cinderellas are created specific for the stamp-collecting community."



A wide range of subjects includes: Christmas and other charity seals, poster-style stickers — particularly prolific in Germany in the 1920s and 1930s — produced for businesses, tourism sites, commemorative subjects, by non-recognized countries or governments, for some telegraph stamps, railway carrier stamps, savings stamps, fiscals, 'local carriage labels' issued by offshore British islands, postal strike stamps, hotel stamps that provided postal service when government stamps were unavailable, other non-post office delivery stamps, philatelic exhibitions plus political, propaganda and social protest subjects. Obvious stamp facsimiles are sometimes referred to as Cinderellas.



As noted in The Stamp Echo posted online by Airpin Philately, "most stamp catalogues do not list Cinderella stamps since they are not postal issues. However, the 'Unitrade Catalogue of Specialized Canadian Stamps' does contain a listing for Canada National Christmas Seals printed from 1927-the present day. These labels could be purchased and stuck to an envelope in addition to the required postage stamp. Their purpose was to raise money and awareness for The Lung Association (also known as The Canadian Tuberculosis Association).



"Some Cinderella stamps are quite rare and valuable. It can be a fascinating field of study and you can learn quite a bit of history from learning more about their subject matter!" Arpin concludes.



For those seeking to expand on this subject, there are cinderella stamp clubs in Australia, Great Britain, and the United States.

For more about such issues in this country, the 'Field Guide to the Cinderella Stamps of Canada', by R.G. Lafrenière. Another good book is 'Cinderella Stamps', by brothers L.N. and M. Williams.

You are heartily invited to join in and share what Cinderellas or Labels plus knowledge you have about this topic that would be interesting / informative.

From such participation, which I'm pleased to report increased by leaps and bounds in 2022, we all learn something. Stay tuned.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR WTSC MEMBERS



ROYAL PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF CANADA: STAMP TALK AND STAMP PANEL SESSIONS.

Registration in advance required. <https://www.rpsc.org/>

- **Monday, January 9** - Sam Chiu - "Colour and Appearance, Attempted Uses in Philately"
- **Monday, January 16** – Fireside chat with The RPSC

North York Philatelic Society

NORTH YORK PHILATELIC SOCIETY HAS REOPENED ITS DOORS!

- Edithvale Community Center (131 Finch Avenue West)
- Meetings will take place on the first and third Wednesdays 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. and will always have a theme,
- January 4th (Asian night), on January 18th (Europe night)
- At every meeting, you will find; at least 1 dealer, table sales, 10 cents books, a mini auction of 15 to 20 items, a draw of 2 philatelic prizes.

For information, please contact Mattia (NYPs President) at 647-990-4073

LOOKING AHEAD

Bramalea Stamp Club Annual Show and Bourse
Saturday February 4 2023 9:30 – 4:00

Judith Nyman Secondary School (cafeteria)
1305 Williams Pkwy, Brampton
(southwest corner Williams Parkway and Bramalea road)

10 dealers, exhibits, club sales books, table auctions, kids table.
snack bar, free parking, free admission, wheelchair accessible.

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Canada's Largest Postcard Show

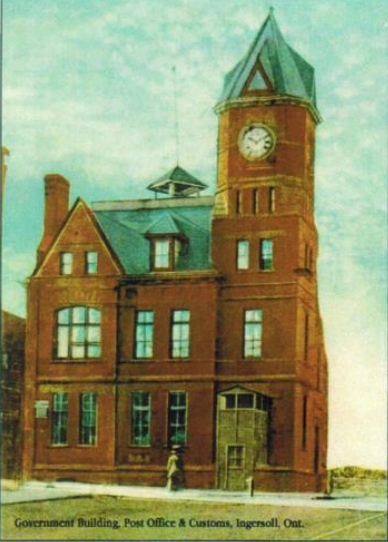
**41st TORONTO
POSTCARD CLUB
SHOW**

Sunday, February 26, 2023
10:00am to 5:00pm

JAPANESE CANADIAN CULTURAL CENTRE
6 Garamond Court, Toronto, M3C 1Z5
DVP-Eglinton Ave. E, opposite Aga Khan Park

Full Details at www.torontopostcardclub.com





OXFORD PHILATELIC SOCIETY
presents
71st OXPEX & 41st OTEX

SATURDAY, MARCH 18th, 2023
9:30am - 4pm

St. Mary's Catholic High School
431 Juliana Drive, Woodstock, ON · N4V 1E8

*Free admission & parking · framed exhibits
15 dealers · youth gift bags · sales circuits · draw prizes*

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WTSC members are invited to attend and exhibit at the 71st OXPEX and the 41st OTEX Regional Exhibition.

Entry forms must reach the exhibit coordinator by February 15, 2023, to be eligible. www.oxfordphilsoc.com

**WTSC MARKET PLACE: FREE/FORSALE/WANTED
FOR SALE:**

WANTED:

1. Scans (both sides) of covers cancelled at Old Mill Post Office needed for article on history of this post office (open 11/21/1928 – 11/25.1933). It was located in the Old Mill complex at Bloor St W and Humber River. I don't wish to purchase your covers. I need only scans for the article. Email Bob at timberg@bell.net
2. CANADA WANTED
 - (1) Canada #1900 (47c beaver) on FDC issued at the AGM of RPSC, *Royale*2001*Royal*, at Dorval, QC.
 - (2) M or U "muddy water" unlisted variety of the 1898 Canadian map stamp. For either item, send a scan of what you have and your price, including shipping, to D. Hill at dahill3973@rogers.com.

REMINDER TO WTSC MEMBERS Ad space is free. Ads can be submitted anytime during the month to sidmensinga@gmail.com