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New Year's Resolutions

As we go to press I am struggling to keep up the commitments that I made to myself at the beginning of 2015: that is, my New Year's Resolutions. There are the usual ones about eating more fruits and vegetables, walking instead of driving, flossing regularly and keeping up with my financial record keeping.

Studies indicate that the most popular choices for resolutions are:

1. Spend more time with family and friends.
2. Find time for fitness.
3. Make more healthy eating choices.
4. Quit smoking.
5. Enjoy life more.
6. Quit drinking.
7. Get out of debt.
8. Learn something new.
9. Help others.
10. Get organized.

I developed a special list of philatelic items this year.

1. Do not buy another postcard until you have sorted and filed the ones that you have.
2. Attend a meeting of at least one of the new GTAPA clubs.
3. Give away the Disney stamps.
4. Spend some quality time in the library at the VGG.

Perhaps I will be in trouble with my lists though, because they say that only eight percent of people actually keep their resolutions. By the time the PhilaJournal is printed and dispatched to you, I probably will have revised the lists and moved some items from the 2015 list to the 2016!

I hope that you enjoy this special SPRING SHOWS edition of the PhilaJournal. There are so many choices to make, places to go, people to see. A highlight for me will be going to the ROYAL so close to home. After driving to Winnipeg for the 2013 ROYAL and Halifax for 2014, I am ready for a shorter drive.

I am also looking forward to combining a cottage visit with attendance at one or two of the summer shows. Will it be Fenelon Falls, Muskoka or both?

The Toronto Stamp Collectors Club (TSCC) have added another unique ad in this issue. It seems to me that they must be an interesting group, with a sense of humour! Why not check them out?

Don't forget to send me news about your club or just forward a photograph. Your fellow GTAPA members want to know what your club is doing. Forward any information to sbutler@ilap.com. Items for the summer issue are due by April 22, 2015

Welcome to GTAPA, Muskoka Stamp Club!

Yes, we are adding another club to the Greater Toronto Area Philatelic Alliance. This group attracts collectors from Gravenhurst, Bracebridge, Huntsville and surrounding areas. If you are in the area, they are hoping that you will join them at Bracebridge Public School at 7:30 on the first Wednesday of each month for one of their meetings.

On page 9 you will see an ad for their 2015 show.....Saturday, August 15! Introduce yourself as a fellow GTAPA member. As the ad says, "Enjoy your favourite hobby in beautiful Muskoka!"

For more information please contact Bruce Hughes at 705-385-2020 or brucestamper1@sympatico.ca

Who said.....



"Stamp collecting dispels boredom, enlarges vision, broadens our knowledge, makes us better citizens in innumerable ways and enriches our lives."

Whoever it was...he forgot to mention that reading every issue of the PhilaJournal, cover to cover, is a great way for collectors to achieve these five benefits.

Answer on page 21.

The President's Viewpoint

Larry Friend

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Is this your time to be revitalized?

For many of us, the 2015 philatelic season started early with stamp shows at Scarborough, UNIPEX, Burloak, CATHEX, Bramalea and the Toronto Postcard Club in the first two months of 2015.

If you missed those great shows around the GTAPA, you owe it to yourself to get out to the shows in March and the rest of the Spring. The benefits of going to the shows are endless.

It is your time to meet with friends and make new acquaintances. It is your time to find the stamp(s) that you can't seem to find anywhere else but what you need to complete an album page, a set or a collection. Perhaps it is even time start a new collection.

You have great club shows and events such as Ajax, Troyak, KATHEX, BNAPS, ROPEX, Edmonton, CSDA, North Toronto and Oshawa's Spring Auction to look forward to. Then, of course, we have great summer shows such as Fenelon Falls and Muskoka and on into the Fall.

Best of all, this year the ROYAL*2014*ROYALE is in the GTAPA's own back yard, London, Ontario. This is your opportunity to take in a National Show. If you have never been to a Royal, don't miss it. It may not be this close for a while.

Be sure to check the GTAPA's website events calendar for all the upcoming shows and events from advertisers who take advantage of advertising in The PhilaJournal.

This is certainly your time – your time to be revitalized. And, it is your time to get out and support others who are passionate about our great hobby.

So, get out your calendar, turn to page 24 in this PhilaJournal and begin to plan your 2015 philatelic events. It is never too soon to think about revitalizing your collection.

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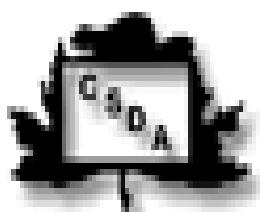
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Post World War II: The Democratica Definitive Issue

Wars cause painful disruption on countries and people. This is true not only for people and countries directly involved in the war, but also on other countries around the world.

At the end of World War II, Italy suffered both economically and politically. Thousands of people were homeless and many towns, villages and sections of cities were destroyed. In addition to hundreds of priceless monuments and religious artefacts, many vital installations including power plants, railroads, ports, government buildings and hospitals were destroyed. Farms were left unattended during the war and thus little food was available. Much of the water was not safe to drink. Disease was killed many survivors of the war.

Since 1940 prices of goods had risen over 750%. Italian stamps issued prior to, and during, WW II were mostly for denominations of less than one lire. The first issues after the war were for various denominations up to 100 lire. Scott catalogue values for 1944-1947 post war issues are very reasonable in both mint and used condition, although a couple of mint issues are valued at around \$200.00 each.

The Allied Military Government left Italy in December 1945 (except for the Trieste area—see PhilaJournal Spring 2014 issue pages 16-17). In the following June, the Italians voted in favour of a Republic. This ended the Kingdom of Italy. The king, Victor Emanuel III, abdicated and fled to Egypt.

After the war ended, Italy issued a new series of definitive stamps ranging up to 100 lire, all up to 50 lire. Because Italy was hoping for a brighter future, the new stamp designs symbolized the fact that Italy was breaking the chains of the fascist dictatorship by focussing on the family, rebuilding the country, celebrating freedom and justice.

The examples that follow illustrate the following:

Top row

- A hammer breaking a chain, representing Freedom
- A hand holding a torch, representing Enlightenment
- A hand planting a sapling, representing Regeneration

- A worker tying a sapling to a stake, representing Forestry
- A family group and scales, representing Work, Justice and the Family

Bottom row

- Figure and sprouting tree stump, representing Peace.
- Larger version of top row, right end, representing Work, Justice and the Family



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Saturday, August 15th, 2015 - 9.30 am to 4 pm.

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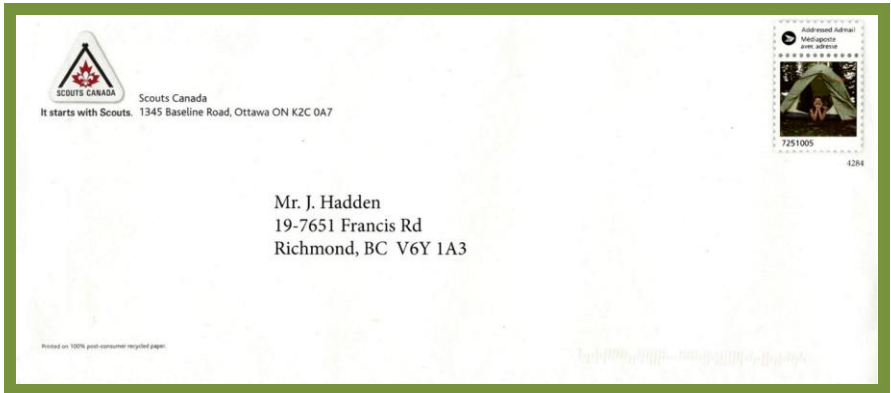
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Canadian Admail Indicia

The following article by Maple Leaf Chapter member Alex Hadden in Vancouver, is re-printed from the January/February 2015 SOSSI Journal with their permission. I thought that it might be of interest to GTAPA readers as well as other Canadian philatelists.

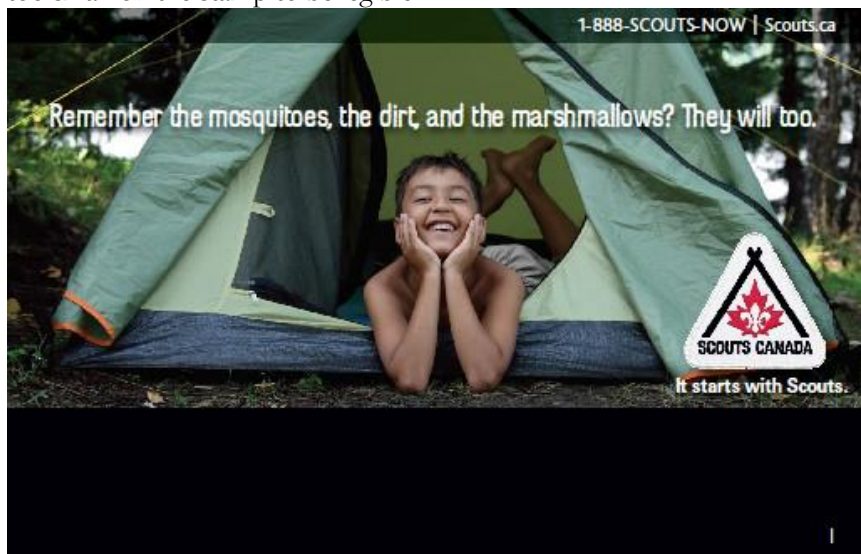


A new Scout stamp?

Canada Post has in the last few years been offering businesses an opportunity to jazz up their advertising by using a personalized indicia instead of the boring, plain Canada Post version. This personalized Admail looks like a stamp complete with perforations but is actually printed on the envelope. They have Addressed Admail and Unaddressed Admail categories. The 7 digit number on the “stamp” is the customer account number and the 4 digit number below is the mailing number.

The one shown uses the image of a smiling Scout looking out from a tent which is one of 5 designs used in the latest set of banners to promote Scouting. The print version has a tag line “Remember the mosquitoes, the

dirt, and the marshmallows? 'They will too.' but the print would have been too small on the stamp to be legible.



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(rpssc.org/chapters/kawartha/index.htm)

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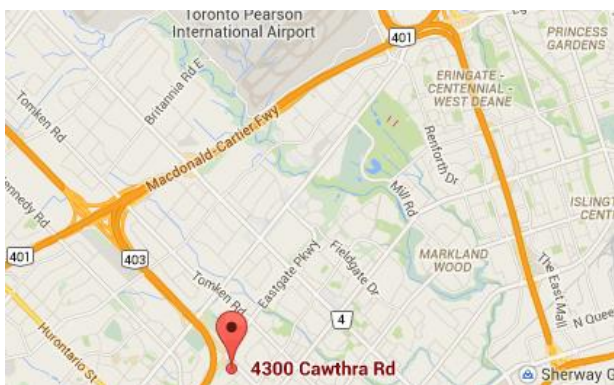
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Stamps of the Polish Army in Italy (1945 to 1946)

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The Polish Army was a determining factor in the Battle of Montecassino, where a huge War Cemetery (above) is a testimony to the 1052 Polish soldiers who lost their lives there, and in the conquest of Ancona and Bologna where the Polish troops were the first ones to enter the city. They fought in Italy under the motto “for your freedom and for our freedom”.

At the end of the war this large contingent of over 120,000 soldiers had nowhere to go. Poland was firmly under the Russian grip and the large majority of the Polish soldiers, who had experienced the Russian invasion and their repression in the Gulags, were not willing to go back to a

Communist Poland. They remained in Italy for two years maintaining semi-independence in their military camps in Italy's eastern region. However, the existence of a strong military army in a foreign country could not last. Toward the end of 1946 the British Government organized a plan to disband the Polish Army. Soldiers were transferred to England and sent to school to facilitate their re-entry into the civilian world. General Anders also left Italy at that time. When he died in 1970, he was buried in Monte Cassino, as per his request, in order to be close to his soldiers.

The Polish Army in Italy used about 30 Military Post Offices from which the mail was distributed with a franking of British, American, Italian and even, Canadian stamps. The Polish Army decided in 1945 to issue its own stamps and a first set of 4 stamps, in zloty, was issued in December 1945. The Allied command did not approve this initiative and, without an U.P.U. recognition, the Italian Postal Service did not accept correspondence with these stamps.



A new stamp came out in January (General Anders stamp surcharged Wartosc, for air mail) and a new set, this time in cents and lire, came out in March 1946. The fact that these stamps were issued in Italian lire created some confusion and there are quite a few examples of letters franked with these stamps in the Cities of Trani or Barletta and back stamped with an arrival postmark of an Italian Post Office. The Polish Military Post Offices were definitely closed on October 15, 1946 but the remainder of the stamps of the two issues were not destroyed. They were privately used later

on, when the first issue was surcharged in 1954 to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Montecassino Battle, and the second issue was surcharged with the propaganda writing "Honour the Four Freedoms".

The stamps of the first issue were printed on the more common grey low quality paper or on a white better quality paper. These latter ones are less common and are worth over ten times more than the grey paper ones.

Even if these stamps have not really been used for the forwarding of mail outside the Polish Military camps, they have always attracted a lot of attention from the collectors' world and are regularly quoted in Italian and Polish catalogues with variable prices.

Where are our young stamp collectors?

There has been a lot of discussion over the past few decades about the lack of young people engaging in philately. But there has been very little data to evaluate how big a problem it really is. This article presents some factual data that can be used as a barometer.



Collector

Most country scouting organizations have a variety of merit badges which their youth can earn as they advance through the various stages of scouting. Scouts Canada has a “Collectors” badge, which can be used for a stamp collection ... or for baseball cards, butterflies, minerals or anything else. Thus, no data can be extracted on how many Collectors badges were earned based on philately.

However, the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) has had a Stamp Collecting Merit Badge since 1932, and has kept meticulous records about the number earned. In the Blog ***BryanOnScouting***, of the March 4, 2014 issue of *Scouting* magazine, a great deal of information is tabled showing earned Merit Badges for all 133 current badges, including 2013 versus 2012, and all-time results. Bryan Wendell is Senior Editor of both the *Scouting* and *Eagles Call* magazines for the BSA.



In the report, Stamp Collecting placed 127th out of 133 Merit Badges by having earned 1,131 of them in 2013. They fell one place from 126th in 2012, but the good news is that 2013 saw an increase of 86 badges earned.

In the all-time table, it shows that 388,644 Stamp Collecting badges have been earned since its inception in 1932, placing 68th in the all-time ranking. That represents an average of 4,682 earned every year throughout all 83 years. Or ... an average of 13 Stamp Collecting Merit Badges earned every single day for 83 years. That sounds more impressive! But it certainly hides the downward spiral that the recent results show.

The top 5 Merit Badges earned in 2013 (and for the last number of years) have been First Aid (87,477), Swimming (72,946), Environmental Science (71,609), Citizen of the World (64,452) and Citizen of the Nation (61,272). These numbers, however, are influenced by the fact they are mandatory for progression to Eagle Scout, where Stamp Collecting and many others are not. Coin Collecting sits at 84th with 5,667 earned in 2013, much better than Stamp Collecting. It was surprising that the Computing Merit Badge only placed 42nd with 15,149 earned.

These numbers do not indicate that those Scouts who pass the Stamp Collecting Merit Badge will continue in the hobby. There are undoubtedly many who immediately go on to other things. But at least it provides a base of knowledge, and maybe interest. Those who do continue may find that starting their career and growing their family may take priority in the early years, but, like many of us, they come back to the hobby in later years.

Notes:

<http://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2014/03/04/here-are-the-most-and-least-popular-merit-badges-of-2013-and-of-all-time>

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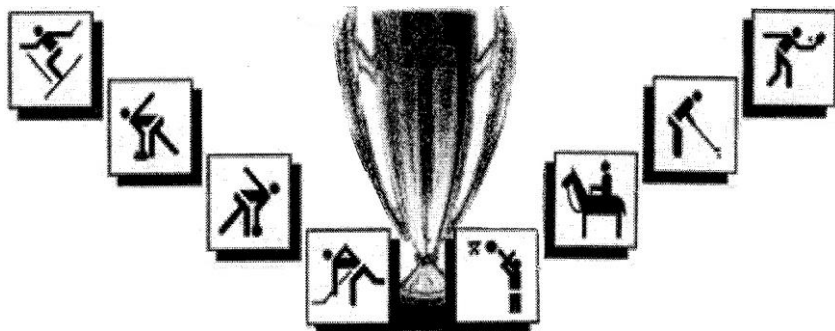
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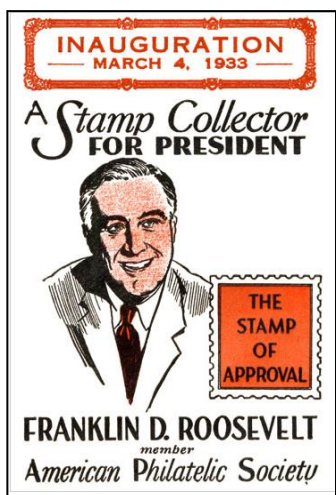
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Who said.....

“Stamp collecting dispels boredom, enlarges vision, broadens our knowledge, makes us better citizens and enriches our lives.”

It was this man, Franklin D. Roosevelt, the 32nd U.S. president and one of the world’s most famous stamp collectors. F D Roosevelt was well known as a life-long stamp collector. As a child, he looked to stamps for knowledge about the world. As a polio-stricken adult, they offered an optional activity. Throughout his entire life, including his presidency, he spent time each day with his collection. He has also been quoted as saying, "I owe my life to my hobbies- especially stamp collecting." Franklin D. Roosevelt probably did more to promote stamp collecting in the United States than any other person. His interest in collecting started when he was a youngster and continued through adulthood.



In the 1930s, George W. Linn, publisher of a weekly philatelic newspaper, created seals and envelopes encouraging stamp collectors to vote for a fellow philatelist for president.



On May 15, 1947, Monaco issued this attractive mint stamp to honor Franklin D. Roosevelt and to commemorate the hobby.

Armed with FDR’s view, we hope that every issue of the PhilaJournal will dispel your boredom, enlarge your vision, broaden your knowledge, make you a better citizen and enrich your life!

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Our cover: Canada's Flag, the 50th Anniversary
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Airgraphs

In the early months of World War II, the Ministry of Transport in Great Britain was faced with serious problems in maintaining a postal service for forces stationed in the Middle East (Great Britain controlled the Suez Canal from 1882 to 1952). After the French surrender to Germany in May of 1940, and with Italy a key Axis member, the western and central Mediterranean were under Axis control, with key parts of North Africa also Axis-dominated, thus closing the short route to the Atlantic.

The preferred alternative was to send mail by air, but space for mail by air was extremely limited, so letters to and from the Near and Far East were taking three to six months to reach their destination by the only method remaining - via ship around the southern tip of Africa.

The British Post Office (BPO) realized that the solution could lie in the Kodak microfilm system (Recordak) that had been used for record-keeping by banks and other businesses since the early 1930's. It had even been proposed to the BPO before in 1932, simply as a means of reducing the cost of sending mail, but it had been rejected then as "unacceptable to the public."

By 1940, however, things had changed dramatically, and almost anything that could aid the war effort seemed worth trying. The "Airgraph" was born, the word becoming a registered trademark of Kodak Ltd., who controlled the process. The basic concept was simple. Letters were photographed on the sending end and then, the negatives were sent by air to the destination end, where they were printed and delivered. The volume and weight of the film were less than one fiftieth of the volume and weight of the letters, so a large number of letters could be transported quickly at a relatively small cost.

The Kodak office in Cairo already had the equipment required to photograph the letters, and was able to start processing almost at once.

Airgraph service started from Cairo on April 21, 1941, arriving in London May 13. The first shipment comprised some 70,000 letters, a testament to someone's efforts to sell the concept. About 350,000 messages were sent during the first month of the service and over 500,000 in the second month.

As delivered to the addressee, Airgraphs were not much to look at. Their appeal to most people today lies in the veiled stories their messages tell, of the hardships and loneliness of war. Millions of Airgraphs survive, and provide a poignant history of individuals caught up in the deadliest conflict humanity has known.



Undoubtedly the richest, most varied, and most visually appealing area in the field of Airgraphs is that of Illustrated Greetings which, starting as early as Christmas 1941, were issued by Regiments and Commands. A master form was prepared with a humorous or sentimental theme, then duplicated and distributed. Often the design left space for little more than a signature. They were the WW II equivalent of Hallmark cards. Others were unique drawings by the sender.

Some collectors treat Airgraphs as Postal History, some as Aerophilately, some as Social Philately. Thematicians, like me, treat them as thematic because the presence of a design, related to a specific collecting subject like the Colosseum (see illustration), indicating that the Airgraphs originated from Italy in 1944.

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Coins Used To Apply Fake Cancellations



I acquired this Straits Settlements stamp because of the strange marking. Curiously, the lettering is reversed! The grey scale image shows the stamp reversed and makes the “cancellation” clearer.

It says “GEORGIUS VI”! George the VI was King from December 11, 1936 to his passing on February 6, 1952.

The Queen Victoria stamp is from the 1867 issue. Then it occurred to me that someone had used a coin from the King’s reign dipped in ink and applied it to the stamp, but why? The stamp has no gum and no other visible marking. The 2007 SG catalogue value is £30 mint and £4.50 used so it was not to make an ‘unused’ stamp more valuable. This is not the first item I have seen where a stamp is cancelled with a coin.

See the Heligoland stamps shown below which have been defaced using a coin.



(A special thanks to Michel for responding to the editor’s call for a unique article.)

Unusual Postage Stamps

Jerry Piotrowski

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In previous articles in this series I have mentioned individual issues which dealt with one of the five senses of smell, taste, sight, touch or hearing. In October 2009, Portugal issued a set of 5 stamps (Scott 3157-3161) that dealt with all 5 senses.



- Smell is achieved by scratching the cup of coffee which provides a coffee aroma.
- Taste comes from the gum on the back of the ice cream bar which has a vanilla flavour.
- Sight is depicted by use of holographic images on the lenses of a pair of glasses, angling the stamp changes the images.
- Touch was achieved by embossing red paste being squeezed out of a tube.
- Hearing is shown on a stamp on which an image of a file was printed using a special ink which has a rough texture and provides a scratching sound.

This set was issued to commemorate the bicentenary of the birth of Louis Braille. To go with the set, the Portugal Post also issued a souvenir sheet (Scott 3162) showing a picture of Braille and his name in both printed and embossed Braille characters.



If you have information about unusual stamps and would like me to include it in future articles please email me at jerrypiotrowski74@hotmail.com using “unusual stamps” in the subject line or give it to your club GTAPA representative to pass along to me at a GTAPA board meeting

Congratulations Ingo!

The Bramalea Stamp Club is pleased to announce that one of their members, Ingo Nessel, was recently elected president of the Philatelic Specialists Society of Canada.



Ingo is a long time member, and former treasurer, of the Bramalea club. His collecting interests include Hong Kong and Canadian Elizabethan postal history. Ingo has exhibited to the level of international silver and is on the GRVPA speakers list. We caught up with Ingo, at Bramalea's February Show, to congratulate him and take this photo.

Best wishes, Ingo.

Certificate of Merit

A Certificate of Merit is presented to an individual or group that has provided a significant service to philately within the membership of the GTAPA. On Saturday, February 7, 2015, a presentation was made at the Bramalea Stamp Show and Bourse, to club member Don Garlick.



Long time club member, Don Garlick currently serves as club Treasurer as well as taking responsibility for arranging for the rooms for Bramalea meetings and annual shows. He also exhibits at the shows and has twice been a member of the Bramalea team entry for the GTAPA Challenge Trophy.



Can you think of someone to nominate? If so talk to your Club's President or a GTAPA Director.

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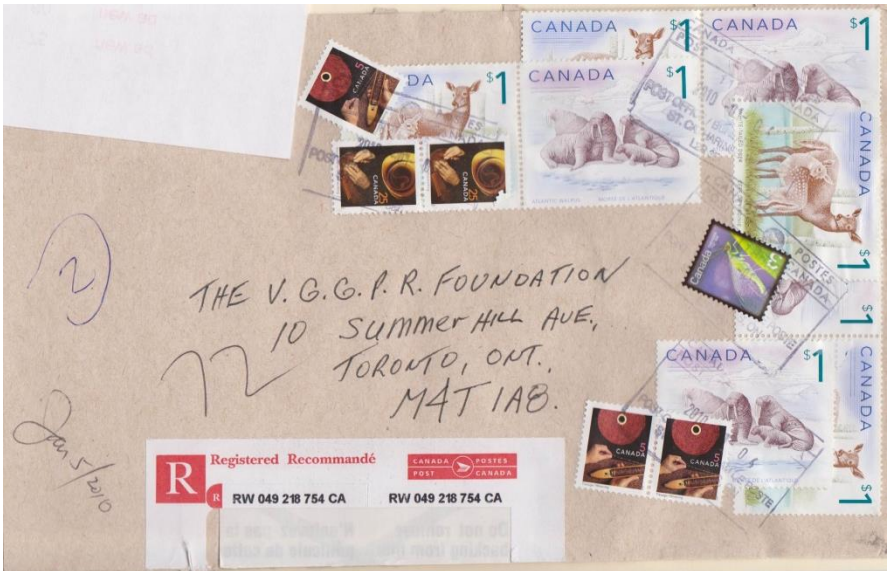
So what's wrong with overlapping?

A quick look at the illustration below will increase your understanding with regard to *overlapping*, a term used to describe the placing of stamps on top of one another when franking mail. Canada Post guidelines state that, when mailing letters and parcels, "The overlapping of stamps is not an acceptable way of franking mail and is discouraged by postal workers." Do you have idea why Canada Post makes such a statement re: in the franking of mail?

The envelope below shows eight \$1.00 stamps and six other definitives paying the correct rate for 1st class mail of 100 grams (\$.68).

The registration fee is \$7.00. Therefore, the total cost of postage was \$8.68.

While it is unlikely that the person sending this cover is guilty of overlapping stamps to cover up previously cancelled stamps, with new mint stamps in order to save money, the possibility exists. Check the dollar stamps and their cover-up definitives carefully. How much could have been saved by overlapping? (The answer is below.) Canada Post knows that the practice is "out there" and postal workers do return mail to offenders.



Answer: The saving could be \$5.00, possibly \$7.00

Let us mourn.....

Let us mourn. Canada Post has decided to phase out expensive home delivery service in favour of group mailboxes and its vice-presidential salaries. Envelopes like this one are soon going to be the only way we can recall when postal service was for more important things than the delivery of advertising flyers.





The cover shown here was a recent purchase because its price was moderate and its challenge factor high. I was completely unaware of why an express letter could have a postmark, yet no sign of stamps. As a result, I have had to educate myself – and the cover possesses a great deal of charm.

The Kingdom of Prussia operated an express letter service as far back as 1842 and Britain became interested in a similar service in the 1870's. Despite receiving a favourable recommendation, the government delayed until a parcel post service came into being in 1883. When the post office still held off on introducing the service, private messenger companies began to operate in competition with the Post Office. Finally, in March of 1891, first London and later other centres were allowed to use their telegraph boys as express messengers. The charge was 2d for the first mile for this service, 3d per mile thereafter, in addition to the usual postage. A revision of the arrangements was made in 1892; if a letter was posted in a post box for later transmission by messenger, both post and express fee had to be prepaid in stamps, while one turned in at the post office would be delivered for a unified fee of 3d per mile. No stamps would be required.

This cover, sent Friday 28 November 1919, was thus probably turned in at the Post Office in Rochdale, where the charge was paid (Mere Street appears to be about five blocks from the train station) and an "E" form filled out. (Interestingly, the form shows it was possible to have the messenger wait 10 minutes for a reply with no waiting charge!). However, there are still problems in assessing this cover. It has a Post Office express label (known used from 1919 to 1928, this type having tiny letters P 459 at the bottom) and it does have a single vertical blue line on the face of the envelope— indicating the letter passed through the post. In that case, it should have had stamps on it! Secondly, Hilary Wellsted, after having examined the various Post Office notifications, indicates that the option to NOT use stamps was discontinued between 1914 and 1921.

So while some element of mystery still remains, thanks to the challenge of this cover and an excellent pamphlet by Hilary Wellsted published by the Postal History Society (from which the photo of the "E" form, below, has been borrowed), I have a much better understanding of a now lost service of the Post Office.

Fig. 8

Post Office Form No. 195.		E. No. 55				
EXPRESS DELIVERY						
For name from Office of Delivery, or in the case of a Reply or Further Service, the name, between the two Addresses		If received by Post the words "Mail Letter" & "Post" to be inserted here				
Number of Articles (If more than one)						
No. of Articles						
CHARGES.						
Postage (Service 11.)	Express Fee	Weight Fee	Regulation Fee	For articles above one	For Special Conveyance	Waiting Fee
Prepaid by Sender	5/-					
To be collected from Addressee						
ADDRESS OF ARTICLE.						
Messrs. W. G. & Co. Ltd. 11, Woodhouse Street Bedford Park W.						
Handed in at 11.40		Messenger No. 35		despatched at 11.45 a		
Messenger returned at 1.30 p		Initials of Counter Officer				
Postage Stamp to be affixed here for this Service						
						very personal to be Messrs. (Mr.)
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GTAPA CLUB DIRECTORY

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Polish-Canadian Coin & Stamp Club “Troyak”

RPSC Chapter #240

Meets on the last Sunday of each month, except holidays, at 4:30 pm
John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre, 4300 Cawthra Rd., Mississauga
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Oshawa/Whitby/Brooklin Stamp Groups

RPSC Chapter #230

The Oshawa/Whitby stamp groups meet 3 times every week
Friday mornings from 10:30 to 12:30 at Legends Community Centre
1661 Harmony Rd. N. Oshawa.

The Whitby Group meets Monday morning 10:30 to 12:30 at
The Whitby Seniors Building, 801 Brock Street Whitby
and every Tuesday evening 6:00 to 8:30 pm
at Brooklin Community Centre 8 Vipond Rd in Brooklin

Oshawa/Whitby/Brooklin Contact Information

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Scouts on Stamps Society International

RPSC Chapter # 242

Meets on the 3rd Sunday of the month from Sept to May at 2:00 pm
(coffee/cookies at 1:30 pm) in Toronto and southwest Ontario
The Program for the 2014/2015 season:
Mar 15 Hamilton/Apr 19 Niagara Falls
May 23 London at Royal*2015*Royale
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Scarborough Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #223

Meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month except December, July and August, at Cedarbrook Community Centre, Rooms 1 & 2,

Doors open at 6:00. Meeting at 7:30.

main floor, 91 East Park Blvd. (near Markham and Lawrence)

Doug Cockburn 416-757-4072

Toronto Stamp Collectors' Club

RPSC Chapter # 238

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every month (except July and Aug) at Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, Room 502, 1585 Yonge Street (a short walk north of the St. Clair TTC Subway Station).

Limited parking is available in the church parking lot.

City parking lot is within 100 yards of the church.

Members gather at 6:30 p.m. for a program commencing at 7:00 pm

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Ukrainian Collectibles Society (Toronto)

RPSC Chapter #228

Chapter of the Ukrainian Philatelic and Numismatic Society

Meets on the 1st Monday of every month at 7 pm

Ukrainian Canadian Social Services, 2445 Bloor Street West, Toronto

Jerry Kalyn 416-251-6898 ucst@upns.org

West Toronto Stamp Club

RPSC Chapter #14

APS Chapter #174151

Meets on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Tuesdays from Sept to June at 7:00

Fairfield Senior Centre, 60 Lothian Avenue, Etobicoke

1st Tuesday is the Machin Study Group, regular meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays feature auctions, 3rd Tuesday features discussion.

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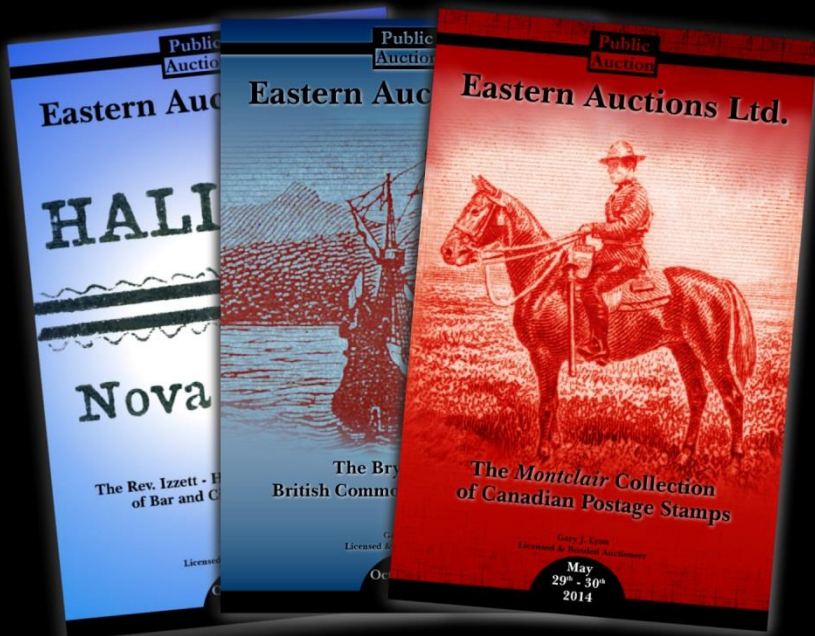
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