CHICAGOPEX '18

132nd Exhibition & Bourse of the Chicago Philatelic Society

November 16-18

Fri. & Sat. 10 am - 6 pm; Sun. 10 am - 4 pm
Westin Chicago Northwest Hotel
400 Park Blvd., Itasca, IL 60143
(just west of O'Hare Airport;
east of I-290/I-355 at Thorndale)

Free Admission & Parking!

Honoring Illinois Bicentennial & End of WW I Hosting the Annual Conventions and



Exhibitions of the France & Colonies Philatelic Society and Society for



Czechoslovak Philately

Nov. 15: Pre-Show APS Course:
Postal History of WW II in the Pacific,
with Ken Lawrence

- 250+ Frame WSP Philatelic Exhibition & Philatelic Literature Competition
 - 75+ Dealers U.S. & U.N. Post Offices For information, contact:

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Society Meetings:
3rd Thursday of each month, 7 p.m.
Harold Washington Library,
400 S. State St., Downtown Chicago
Visitors always welcome!

CHICAGOPEX 2018, celebrating 132 years of the Chicago Philatelic Society, to be held November 16-18, features the France and Colonies Philatelic Society and the Society for Czechoslovak Philately. These groups will present special exhibits of stamps and postal history as well as hold meetings open to the public.

The show bourse will feature at least 75 dealers from the U.S. and Europe offering a vast array of material to interest everyone: from the beginning collector to the advanced collector and exhibitor. The U.S. Postal Service and the U.N. Postal Administration will also attend.

This year's show theme is "Honoring the 200th Anniversary of Illinois Statehood and the 100th Anniversary of the End of World War I." The theme is featured on the show postcard and the cover of the show program. The U.S. Postal Service will likely have the stamp for Illinois' 200th anniversary available for sale at the show.

There will be nearly 300 frames of philatelic material on display with something of interest for all attendees. On Saturday, the 2018 also marks the 52nd anniversary of the philatelic literature competition with the books and other materials on display. CHICAGOPEX judges also evaluate electronic literature such as websites, blogs and online articles.

The show includes a youth booth with free stamps and supplies, including a giveaway from Mystic Stamp Company.

On Saturday afternoon, Dan Piazza, chief curator of philately at the Smithsonian National Postal Museum in Washington, will be giving a talk entitled "25 Years of Stamps and Stories: The National Postal Museum's Silver Anniversary." Attendees will receive an autographed NPM cover, a set of postcards and a catalog from a past NPM exhibit.

On Friday afternoon, the Executive Director of the American Philatelic Society, Scott English, will hold a town hall event where he will take questions from the attendees. The Library Director of the American Philatelic Research Library, Scott Tiffney, will also attend.

On Friday and Saturday of the show, at 12:30 p.m., Rodney Juell, one of the authors of the *Encyclopedia of United States Stamps and Stamp Collecting*, will be signing copies of the book in the Atrium. Copies of the book will also be available for sale.

Other groups meeting at the show (all free and open to the public) are the Chicago Philatelic Society (Saturday), Germany Philatelic Society Chapter #5 (Saturday), American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors—Open Forum on Exhibiting (Saturday), Illinois Postal History Society (Sunday), and North Shore Philatelic Society (Sunday).

Many of these groups feature expert guest speakers giving talks open to the public. The full schedule will appear in the show program, which will be available at the hospitality desk in the hotel's atrium.

On Saturday and Sunday mornings, the APS Committee for National Exhibits and Judging (CANEJ) will be presenting sessions on the title page and synopsis, and exhibit treatment, respectively.

Attendees are asked to contact the hotel to make reservations and to mention CHICAGOPEX for the special room rate. Admission and parking are free. Show hours are: Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Sunday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday night will also feature a catered awards banquet. Tickets must be purchased in advance (\$60 each) and dress is business casual. Please see the CHICAGOPEX website for the reservation form. Special diets can be accommodated upon request.

About the Chicago Philatelic Society (CPS):

Organized October 8, 1886, CPS is Chapter No.1 of the American Philatelic Society and one of two organizations with the longest uninterrupted service to philately in the United States. Each month, CPS holds meetings on the third Thursday in downtown Chicago at the Harold Washington Library (400 S. State St.) in meeting room 3N-6. Meetings run 7 p.m.-9 p.m. and usually include a philatelic presentation and society business. All are welcome. Many speakers are advanced collectors who share insights on exciting stamp and postal history subjects. Members also attend a Dutch-treat dinner at 5:30 p.m. at the Berghoff (17 W. Adams St.). For more information on the show and the Society, please go to www.chicagopex.org.