

Alaska State Library  
Historical Collections

Guide to Collection

Anchorage Philatelic Society

The Alaska State Museum Collection of Anchorage Philatelic Society  
Commemorative Covers, 1941-[ongoing]

MS 159

1 box, 5 items  
0.4 linear ft.

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**Provenance:** The collection was donated by Eric Knapp of the Anchorage Philatelic Society. He donated the first four volumes of the cover collection in 1997 (Acc. #97-32), Volume 1 of the cover catalog in 1999 (Acc. #99-28), and the first update to the cover collection in 2000 (Acc. #00-61). Volume 2 of the cover catalog was added in 2002 (Acc. #02-92). More information on the donors and historic researchers involved in the Cover Collection is contained in the introduction in Volume 1.

**Access:** The collection is unrestricted.

**Copyright:** Request for permission to publish material from the collection must be discussed with the Librarian. Photocopying does not constitute permission to publish.

**Processing:** The Cover Collection and update were housed by the donor in archival sleeves, with the original Cover Collection arranged chronologically in binders. The Cover Catalog is in its received condition, photocopied in a loose-leaf binder. The updates to the Cover Collection will be housed in acid-free folders if the donor does not provide additional binders.

## Organizational History

Alaska's oldest and largest stamp club, the Anchorage Philatelic Society has over 100 members and has been in continuous operation since 1950. The cover collection's introduction in Volume 1 contains a detailed history of the Society and the goals of the collection. The introduction to the Cover Catalog, created by Eric R. Knapp, also contains an historical overview of the Society and information about the Cover Collection. The cover from 1941 originated with the Anchorage Stamp Club, active only during that year.

## Scope and Contents Notes

This collection consists of a compilation, by Eric Knapp, of commemorative cover projects of the Anchorage Philatelic Society (actually, beginning with the Anchorage Stamp Club in 1941), updated through 2000.

The first four volumes of the cover collection consist of four volumes (in binders) containing 154 covers (1941 - 1997). Volume 1 (1999) of the Alaska Philatelic Cover Catalog, Anchorage Philatelic Society, contains photocopies of covers, 173 pages, in a binder. Volume 2 (2002) of the Alaska Philatelic Cover Catalog (Alaska Collectors Club, Gastineau Philatelic Society, and Northern Lights Stamp Club), contains photocopies of covers, 164 pages, in a binder.

The update to the cover collection consists of 14 covers (1998 - 2000).

**For additional Alaska-related commemorative covers and stamps, see MS 115.**

## Inventory

Binder: The Alaska State Museum Collection of Anchorage Philatelic Society Commemorative Covers, Volume 1 (1941 - 1971)

Binder: The Alaska State Museum Collection of Anchorage Philatelic Society Commemorative Covers, Volume 2 (1972 - July 1983)

Binder: The Alaska State Museum Collection of Anchorage Philatelic Society Commemorative Covers, Volume 3 (October 1983 - 1990)

Binder: The Alaska State Museum Collection of Anchorage Philatelic Society Commemorative Covers, Volume 4 (1991 - September 2000)

Binder: The Alaska State Museum Collection of Anchorage Philatelic Society Commemorative Covers, Volume 4 (February 2001 - February 2009)

Binder: Alaska Philatelic Cover Catalog. Volume 1 : Anchorage Philatelic Society, by Eric R. Knapp, 1999, 173 p. [updated 8/8/2002 from 161 p.]

Binder: Alaska Philatelic Cover Catalog. Volume 2 : Alaska Collectors Club, Gastineau Philatelic Society, Northern Lights Stamp Club, by Eric R. Knapp, 2002, 164 p.