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Your interest in space cover collecting warms my heart as I have been involved with them as a collector, servicer, and producer for nearly 35 years. Enclosed are the catalog pages (and price list) of all of the covers produced by the Space City Cover Society pertaining to Apollo 11. If I can help you with any of them or track down other items of interest, I will be glad to do so.

As the first president of SCCS from its inception in 1967 until I had to relinquish those duties in 1988 (due to being at death's door two times during 1988-1991), I knew that the SCCS covers needed to be catalogued. Having been in fairly good health for the last several years, and having just turned 70, I felt like this would be my goal.

You are seeing proof of it with the enclosed pages pertaining to the Apollo 11 events. If a manned space event happened during 1967 through 1988 or so, the SCCS "covered" it with an event cover. After 1988 covers were produced for selected events, most of them as first day covers for U. S. space issues.

From 1988 until about 1994 there were four different people selected to guide that cover program and things went from "bad" to "disastrous." The last person to handle those duties died in 1994 and all of the covers, records, etc in her possession, went into her estate. It has been only recently that "dribbles" and "pieces" of things in her possession have been released. It is from those boxes of "stuff", along with my personal records of what covers were produced, along with quantities etc that this catalog has become a reality.

Over twenty years of space covers was too much of my life to see that what had been accomplished would fall into oblivion.

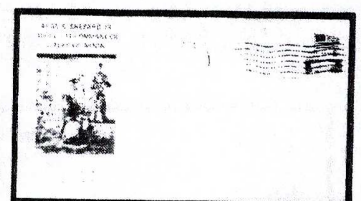
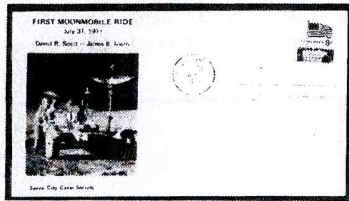
This catalog is being produced at my expense (and set up as "Space City") and is being issued in sections. For the next few months I will complete the pages for all SCCS covers of the Apollo Program and will be glad to send them to you as produced. That section will include all of the covers from Apollo 1 (Grissom, White and Chaffee) through the Apollo 17 mission, the last landing of men on the Moon.

Thanks again for your interest.

Harry Anderson

MOON LANDING MISSION EVENT COVERS

These event covers for the Apollo Moon Landing missions make an interesting miniature collection. Put these in your albums and listen to even a non-collector say, "Hey, wait a minute. Let me see those." Why? Because these covers tell a story of one of the most exciting periods in the history of the World. It has been the U.S. manned space program that has lead the way for others to follow.



Any cover here only 1.00 each

- Apollo 12 Welcome Home by Houston (Dec 14, 1969)
- Apollo 13 Welcome Home by Houston (May 16, 1970)
- Apollo 14 Moonlanding (KSC cancel) (Feb 5, 1971)
- Apollo 14 Shepard Walks on Moon (Feb 5, 1971)
- Apollo 14 Crew Arrives Home (Ellington AFB) (Feb 12, 1971)
- Apollo 14 Crew Out of Quarantine (Feb 25, 1971)
- Apollo 15 First Moonmobile Ride (Jul 31, 1971)
- Apollo 15 First Sub-satellite Launch in Space (Aug 4, 1971)
- Apollo 15 First Apollo Walk in Deep Space (Aug 5, 1971)
- Apollo 15 Crew Welcome Home at Honolulu (Aug 8, 1971)
(Honolulu machine cancel)
- Apollo 15 Crew Welcome Home to Houston (Ellington AFB) (Aug 8, 1971)
- Apollo 15 First Day of Use Slogan Cancel Honoring Alfred Worden
(Jackson MI machine cancel Aug 26, 1971)
- Apollo 15 Homecoming Day for Worden (Sep 5, 1971)
(Jackson MI slogan machine cancel)
- Apollo 16 Launch (KSC pictorial machine cancel) (Apr 16, 1972)
- Apollo 16 Moonlanding (KSC pictorial machine cancel) (Apr 20, 1972)
- Apollo 16 John Young Becomes First Moon-based Astronomer (Apr 21, 1972)
- Apollo 16 Launch of Sub-satellite in Deep Space (Apr 24, 1972)
- Apollo 16 Walk in Deep Space by Mattingly (Apr 25, 1972)
- Apollo 16 Crew Arrives Home (Ellington AFB) (Apr 29, 1972)
- Apollo 16 Crew Press Conference (May 3, 1972)
- Apollo 17 Schmitt Selected as First Scientist-Astronaut to Fly
in Space (Aug 13, 1971)
- Apollo 17 Apollo 17 Roll-Out to Launch Pad (KSC pictorial machine
cancel) (Aug 28, 1972) Final Apollo Roll-Out
- Apollo 17 Apollo 17 Craft Named (Nov 10, 1972)
- Apollo 17 Launch (KSC machine cancel) (Dec 7, 1972)
- Apollo 17 Final Moonlanding (KSC machine cancel) (Dec 11, 1972)
- Apollo 17 Commemorative Plaque Left on Moon (Dec 13, 1972) Final
Apollo crew to Land on Moon.
- Apollo 17 Walk in Deep Space by Evans (Dec 17, 1972)
- Apollo 17 Crew Arrives Home (Ellington AFB) (Dec 21, 1972)
- Apollo 17 First Day of Use Slogan Cancel for Cernan (Bellwood IL)
Dec 6, 1972) (Cernan was Apollo 17 commander)
- Apollo 17 Moon Landing Day (Dec 11, 1972) Cernan Slogan Cancel
Bellwood IL

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ORDER FORM. IT WILL BE RETURNED
TO YOU WITH THE COVERS

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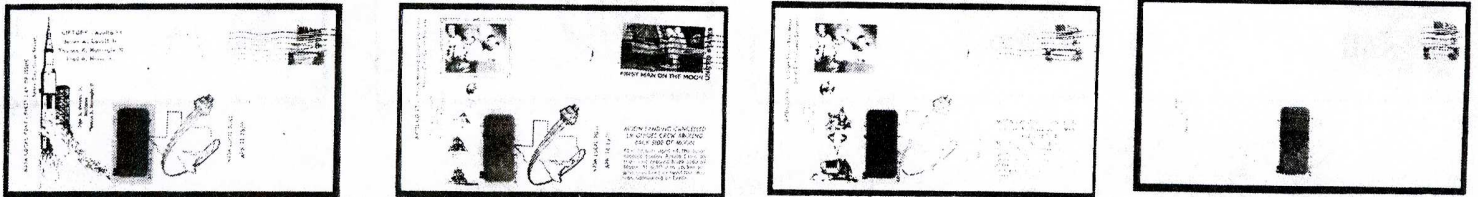
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HOUSTON....WE'VE GOT A PROBLEM

With those words, the world was alerted to the fact that things can go wrong in space and that astronauts always face the possibility of death while on a space mission.

Apollo 13 captured the attention of the world. To most, space had become routine. Apollo 11 had been exciting because it was the mission that first put men on the Moon. Apollo 12 went about its business in such a way that observers were already calling spaceflight "old stuff."

But with those words "Houston, we've got a problem" from the Apollo 13 crew on their way to the Moon, the world came to attention. It was Friday the 13th (April 13, 1970). Superstition had reared its head with some people saying that the number 13 should have been skipped in the Apollo numbering of the missions. And as the world got the news of an explosion aboard the spacecraft, superstition became reinforced.



The Space City Cover Society may be the only servicer of space covers that "completely" covered the Apollo 13 events. Before the launch, the SCCS covers were printed with four different cachets; one for Launch, Moon Landing, Moon Liftoff, and Splashdown. Featured in the cachet of each was the original crew picture and/or designation of the crew...James A. Lovell, Jr., Thomas K. Mattingly II, and Fred W. Haise, Jr. However, before launch, Mattingly was exposed to the measles and was replaced as a crew member by John L. Swigert, Jr. All of the SCCS cacheted covers were then overprinted in three lines with the information of the replacement.

Then, on April 14 a.m., the Moon Landing was cancelled at 2:43 a.m. The Lunar Module became a "Space Lifeboat" and the covers, after being cancelled on April 14 a.m., were then taken to a printer and overprinted in 10 lines with the complete details. Then in the p.m. of the same day, the Lunar Module guided the spacecraft around the back side of the Moon and headed it back to Earth. Those covers were also overprinted in nine lines with all of the details of that event.

In addition to the set of four covers containing a Houston machine cancel, the covers also contain a single of the NASA Local Post stamp especially printed for the Apollo 13 mission. The NLP stamps are then cancelled on the correct dates with the NLP commemorative pictorial cancel. This set of four covers "tells it all." The set normally sells for \$7.50 but it is being made special at this time for only \$3.25 for the set. This is only about 80¢ per cover and is a bargain any way you look at it. This set will make a great "conversation piece" in your space cover collection.

Set of 4 A-13 Mission Covers only 3.25

Apollo 13 did not make its Moon Landing but the crew did make it back safely to Earth. For that, the whole world rejoiced. It showed not only the calmness of the crew and their ability to improvise during a space mission, but it showed how all of the members of the support team at mission control in Houston were able to come up with answers as to how to get the men back safely to Earth.

After Apollo 11, the first landing of men on the Moon, the United States did make five more successful Moon Landing missions. These were Apollo 12, 14, 15, 16 and 17. The Space City Cover Society produced a set of four covers for each of these five missions. Each of the four covers has its individual cachet and all four covers are franked with single of the mission NASA Local Post and cancel in addition to the U.S. stamp and Houston post office machine cancel.

WHY HOUSTON CANCELLED COVERS ARE IMPORTANT

Just a few seconds after any manned space launch, Mission Control takes over the control of the spaceflight. It is located at the Johnson Space Center in Houston. That is why the astronauts, in spaceflight or on the Moon, comment..."Houston, we've got a problem." or..."Houston, the Eagle has landed." And the SCCS covers have been produced since 1967. This assures you of a quality cover. It is our pleasure to be able to offer these fine covers to you.

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