



# BUFFALO STAMP CLUB

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## 2011-2012 CLUB YEAR

Here it is September and the start of the new Club year. Hopefully everyone had a great summer. In case you missed the annual picnic in August at the Meegan residence, everyone had a great time. See pictures and a short write up elsewhere in this newsletter.

A great year is planned for the Buffalo Stamp Club. Auctions start up in September. Bring your lots and your money. Member Rich Cropp has graciously submitted 7 boxes of incredible material to be auctioned. Keep your eye open for those lots. Dan Sherwood is coordinating the sale of those lots. Thanks Dan, and Rich!

Numerous presentations are scheduled by members on some interesting topics. Of course, members are free to bring in items of interest during those presentations.

Don't forget the two major events on the Club calendar - The **Autumn Stamp Festival** and **BUFPEX** are the jewels of the Club. This year we will celebrate the **150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Albright Knox Art Gallery**. Stay tuned for more information.

Remember we will need help with all these events!

## MEETINGS

Auctions and meetings are held at the Leonard Post located at 2450 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga and begin promptly at 7:30 pm. A calendar for the 2011-2012 year is on the back of this newsletter.

## SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

September 9<sup>th</sup>: **Auction**

September 23<sup>rd</sup>: **Presentation** by Casey Kielbasa. Casey will give a presentation on the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Polish POW Study Group Show. It was the first show of material done in POW camps. Two former members of the Study Group include Casey and Larry Cherns. This should be very interesting.

October 7<sup>th</sup>: **Auction**

## CALL FOR DUES!!!!

Dues remain at \$12.00 and can be given to Casey Kielbasa at the meeting or mailed to Casey at P.O. Box 154, Cheektowaga, NY 14225-0154. Casey reports 104 members which is the highest membership number in recent years.

## OFFICERS

President: Alan Davis  
Vice President: Bob Meegan  
Secretary: Al Carroccia  
Treasurer: Tim Carey  
Membership Chairman: Casey Kielbasa  
Auction Manager: Dan Sherwood  
Advertising & Publicity Coordinator: George Gates  
Bourse Chairman: Bill Witschard

### 2011-2012 Club Calendar

What follows is the Calendar of events for the Buffalo Stamp Club for the coming year. Please save this!!!

#### **And mark your calendars!!!**

September 9, 2011 – Auction  
September 23, 2011 – Presentation  
October 7, 2011 – Auction  
October 21, 2011 – Presentation  
November 4, 2011 – Auction  
November 18, 2011 – Setup for Autumn Stamp Festival  
November 19, 2011 - Autumn Stamp Festival  
December 2, 2011 – Auction and Holiday Social  
January 6, 2012 – Auction  
January 20, 2012 – Presentation  
February 3, 2012 – Auction  
February 17, 2012 – Presentation  
March 2, 2012 – Setup for BUFPEX  
March 3 and 4, 2012 – BUFPEX  
March 16, 2012 – Auction  
March 30, 2012 – Presentation  
April 13, 2012 – Auction  
April 27, 2012 – Presentation  
May 4, 2012 – Auction  
May 18, 2012 – Presentation  
June 1, 2012 – Here Comes Summer Auction

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The Board of Directors held their annual meeting at the Leonard Post on July 15<sup>th</sup>. The first order of business was the election of Officers for the 2011-2012 Club year. The following were re-elected by the Board: President, Alan Davis, Vice-President, Bob Meegan, Secretary, Alfred Carroccia, Treasurer, Tim Carey and Membership Chairman, Casey Kielbasa. Appointments include Bill Witschard serving as bourse chairman, Dan Sherwood as auction coordinator and George Gates as advertising chairman.

The subject of a Club library was discussed. Do you think it is a good idea? Would you borrow materials? What kind of books, other than catalogs, would you like to see? Your input is important, so let us know if this is important for the Club. We'll begin by compiling a list of current resources that the Club owns and build it from there.

Another item brought up was a "Club Box" for the auctions for miscellaneous items that members want to donate. We'll explain this more as it develops.

### ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC

The Club held its annual picnic on August 20<sup>th</sup> at "Meegan Manor", the home of Bob & Mary Meegan. The weather was perfect, the food delicious and the auction lots plentiful. If you missed this event, take a look at the pictures.

Thanks Bob and Mary for being great hosts! Thanks to all the members who brought dishes to share and goodies to enjoy. Everyone had a good time and the camaraderie was fun.



A panoramic view of members enjoying the food!



Another view of the auction under the trees!

**Thanks again Bob and Mary for your hospitality!**