



BUFFALO STAMP CLUB

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS

Elections for the Board of Directors will be held prior to the auction on May 4th. The Club constitution mandates that four Directors be elected each year to three year terms.

A pattern has emerged whereby there has been only the incumbents on the ballot. It is time for some new people to serve on the Board. Remember only a member of the Board can serve as a Club Officer. If you are interested, please see one of the Officers.

Board members whose terms expire this year and are incumbents for re-election include Alan Davis, Casey Kielbasa, Tim Carey and Bennie Passantino.

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 2010-2011 was in September's newsletter. If anyone needs a spare copy, see or email the editor, or check the club website.

CALENDAR

April 13th: **Auction**

April 27th: **Presentation by Larry Cherns –
"Social History of 19th Century Canada through
Letters & Postcards"**

May 4th: **Auction**

DUES

LAST CALL FOR DUES!!! Make sure that your dues are up to date in order to keep your membership status current and active. 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. Check with Casey if you are not sure. Casey has been trying to contact those who are late.

OFFICERS

President: Alan Davis

Vice President: Bob Meegan

Secretary: Al Carroccia

Treasurer: Tim Carey

Membership Chairman: Casey Kielbasa

Auction Manager: Dan Sherwood

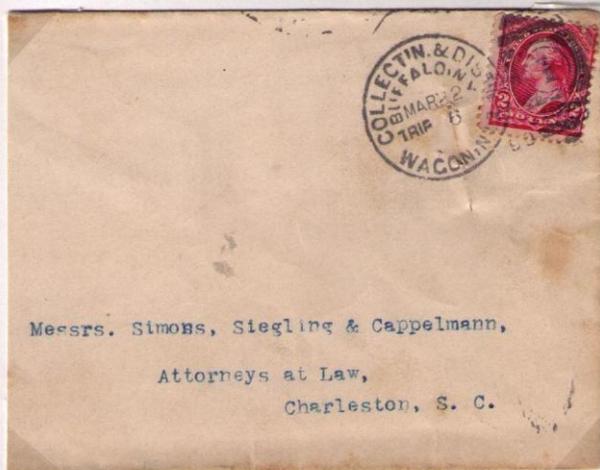
Advertising & Publicity Coordinator: George Gates

Bourse Chairman: Bill Witschard

DAVID PRZEPIORA PRESENTATION

At the March 30th meeting, Dave Przepiora gave a presentation on early Buffalo postal history. Dave began with the first post office, the Buffalo Creek Post Office and progressed through the end of the 19th Century. He displayed examples of covers that include Buffalo manuscripts, first postmarks, War of 1812, Black Rock, Steamboat, independent carriers, circulars, Buffalo to foreign destinations, Millard Fillmore, machine cancels and collection and distribution wagons. Dave has an extensive Buffalo postal history collection and is an expert in this area. Dave also is President of the Empire State Postal History Society and maintains the Buffalo Stamp Club website. Thanks Dave!

In case you missed it here are a couple of the covers Dave displayed:



Covers with "Collection & Distribution" cancels

BUFPEX RECAP

We are glad to report the completion of another successful BufPex show. The dealers expressed positive feedback – there seemed to be good and steady activity both days. We had a couple new dealers and many regulars, so the opportunities to find items on your "want" list were there.

Thanks to those that helped setup and tear down, and also to those that manned the Welcome table. These are essential functions that are so important to the success of the event and the club. There were brisk sales of the cachet covers, many guesses for the stamp jar, and good anticipation for the hourly \$5 coupon give-away.

Speaking of the cachet cover, thanks again to Theresa Meegan for her talented ink drawing of the Albright Knox Art Gallery cancel that enhanced a well designed cover.

We'd also like to thank all those that submitted exhibits. We know the amount of work it takes to put an exhibit together, and yet the fulfillment and sense of accomplishment when it is completed is very satisfying. There was a nice variety of exhibits – next month we will list the trophy winners.

And last but not least, the winning guess of the Jar of Stamps was Daniel Rinow. Congratulations on a good guess!!

We are already looking forward to next year's shows!



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