



# BUFFALO STAMP CLUB

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS

The Club enters its final month of the Club calendar. One final detail to be attended to is the election for Board of Directors. Again, we are faced with a ballot consisting of the incumbents whose terms have expired. As stated previously, it seems that the same people are involved with making Club activities happen. We would like some new blood to assume the role of helping the Club move forward with its programs and activities. Please let us know if you want to be more involved – even if it's for the following year.

## EXHIBITS

Now is the time to start working on an exhibit for BUFPEX. Exhibits are a great way to share your affection of a topic. And besides, we need EXHIBITS! It is never too late to start! Hopefully, this will spark some of you to step up and get 'er done!

## DUES

**LAST 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. Check with Casey if you are not sure. Casey will begin to contact those who are late.

## MEETINGS

Auctions and meetings are held at the Leonard Post located at 2450 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga and begin promptly at 7:30 pm.

## CALENDAR

- May 4<sup>th</sup>: **Auction**
- May 18<sup>th</sup>: **Presentation by Irv Tesmer:  
"U.S. Covers – An Unusual Variety"**
- June 1<sup>st</sup>: **"Here Comes Summer" Auction**
- August ??: **Annual Summer Picnic  
Stay tuned for details.**

This is the last newsletter for 2011-2012. The last event at the Leonard Post is "Here Comes Summer" Auction on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Bring your lots for this fantastic auction. If you paid your dues you will get notice of the Annual Picnic over the summer. Check with Casey to make sure you are paid up.

## 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

## LARRY CHERNS PRESENTATION

The April presentation was given by Larry Cherns entitled "The Past Speaks Now" – The Social History and Human Interest of 19<sup>th</sup> Century Canadians in their Mail. Larry presented covers not so much for their philatelic or postal history value but rather for the contents of the letters inside. Extant sources such as atlas and reference books were used to research the writers of these manuscripts. Larry also used the time period of the letters to put them into historical perspective. It was an interesting presentation because it shows us a different perspective of looking at postal history. Thanks Larry!



An example of a stampless cover and its contents which was the focus of Larry Cherns' presentation.

## RODNEY PAIGE

Casey Kielbasa informs us that Rodney Paige's father passed away in January. The Club sends it condolences to Rodney and his family.

## DONATION BOX

Don't forget that every week, we have a Donation Box available to toss a few miscellaneous items into, as a way for the club to make a little money and for you to clear out some odds and ends.

## BUFPEX EXHIBITORS

We appreciate the time it takes to put an exhibit together. Yet the satisfaction and accomplishment of exhibiting adds to the value of philately. Let's take a moment to recognize those that enhanced the show this year by sharing their interesting and passionate themes with us.

Below is a list of this year's Trophy Winners:

**Founder's Award** - *Best in Show* - Ada Prill – *Star Cancels of Delaware County*

**Dan Cunningham Award** - *Best in US* - Ada Prill – *Star Cancels of Delaware County*

**Foreign Award** - *Best Foreign Exhibit* - George Gates – *Nyasaland Covers, 1945-1953*

**Walter Grotke Award** - *Best Great Britain or British Colonies* - George Gates – *Nyasaland Covers, 1945-1953*

**Topical Award** - *Best Topical Exhibit* - Theresa Meegan – *Foxes*

**Joseph Romito Award** - *Best Exhibit of Cancellation and Usages on US* - Ada Prill – *Star Cancels of Delaware County*

**Bredl Cover Award** - *Best Exhibit of Covers* - Ada Prill – *Star Cancels of Delaware County*

**Emil Auer Award** - *Best Exhibit by a Club Member* - George Gates – *Nyasaland Covers, 1945-1953*

**Single Frame Award** - *Special One-Frame Award* - Ada Prill – *Uh-Oh! Mistakes in U.S. Auxiliary Markings*

**Larry Manno Award** - *Most Popular Exhibit* - Theresa Meegan – *Foxes*