



BUFFALO STAMP CLUB

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DECEMBER NOTES

As the old cliché goes, it is hard to believe we are at the end of another year. December is a quiet month for the Club as we step back and take a breath from the activities which kept us busy during the year. Because of the Holiday activities later this month, the Club meets only once during December. The auction and our Holiday Social will take place on December 6th. There will be no presentation during the month of December. The Club will resume in January.

The Club wishes all its members and their families a Happy and Safe Holiday!



MEETINGS

Auctions and meetings are held at the Leonard Post located at 2450 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga on Friday nights and begin promptly at 7:30 pm. On Auction nights, come early to get a good look at the lots up for auction!

DUES

2013-2014 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 that a number of members have yet to pay dues.

DECEMBER CALENDAR

December 6th: Auction and *Holiday Social*

January 10th: First Auction of 2014!

January 24th: Presentation on Exhibiting by Bob Meegan

PRESENTATIONS WANTED

We are still looking for volunteers to show off some of those hidden treasures within your collection. There are a couple openings in the calendar for our Presentation Meetings. We know there are many unique and interesting topics that our members collect and should be sharing. Please consider opening up your philatelic passion to the rest of us. There's no sense keeping all to yourself. These are great opportunities to display the pride we hold for certain portions of our collections.

OFFICERS

The following are the Officers of the Club:

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

AUTUMN STAMP FESTIVAL

The Autumn Stamp Festival was held Saturday, November 16th at the Leonard Post. As with prior bourses, the Autumn Stamp Festival was a huge success. A steady turnout kept the 10 dealers and the United States Postal Service busy. The Club once again had a youth table with plenty of stamps and supplies for the kids. There was a period when there was a group of kids busily rummaging through the material and engaging in the hobby! There was a steady flow of traffic through the Club Hospitality Table which was manned by volunteers. Hope everyone found something they were looking for!

Thanks go out to Bill Witschard, Alan Davis, Bob Meegan, Tim Carey, Casey Kielbasa, Dan Sherwood and George Gates and to the numerous others who helped to make the Autumn Stamp Festival a success.

HOLIDAY SOCIAL

After the auction on December 6th we will reconvene to enjoy refreshments and talk about those lots that got away at the auction. We will enjoy pizza, wings and other snacks with plenty of soft drinks. Thanks to our esteemed President Alan Davis who organizes this event.



This cover was cancelled on the USS Brant on Christmas Day 1938 while berthed at San Diego. Believe it or not it is not difficult to find naval covers cancelled on Christmas Day!

FIRST CALL FOR EXHIBITS!!!

Time to start thinking about Exhibits for **BUFPEX**. Bob Meegan will hold his presentation on exhibiting in January. The difficult part is coming up with a topic, and then it gets easier. More to follow!!

SCENES FROM THE AUTUMN STAMP FESTIVAL



George Gates at the Club hospitality table



The United States Postal Service table



Catherine Carroccia participating in the Kid's Corner