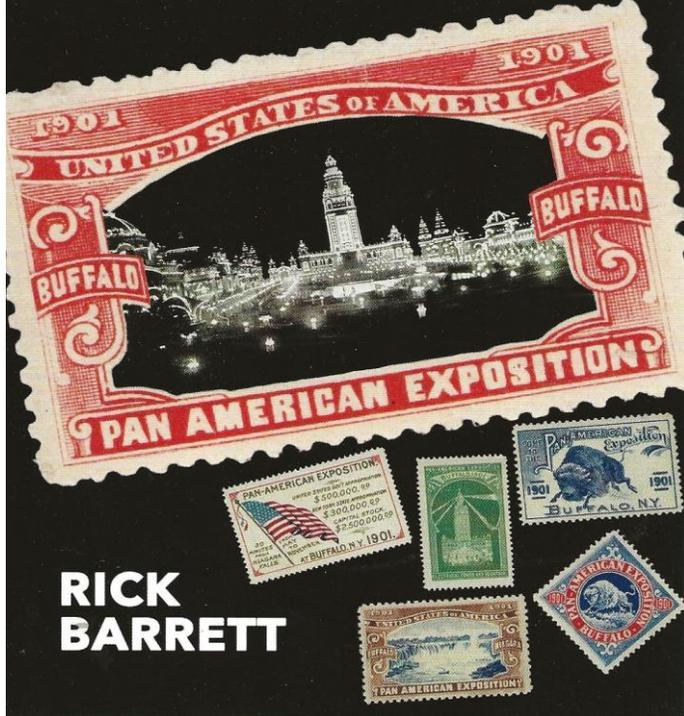


BUFFALO CINDERELLAS

The Gentleman, The Huckster
and the Pan American Exposition

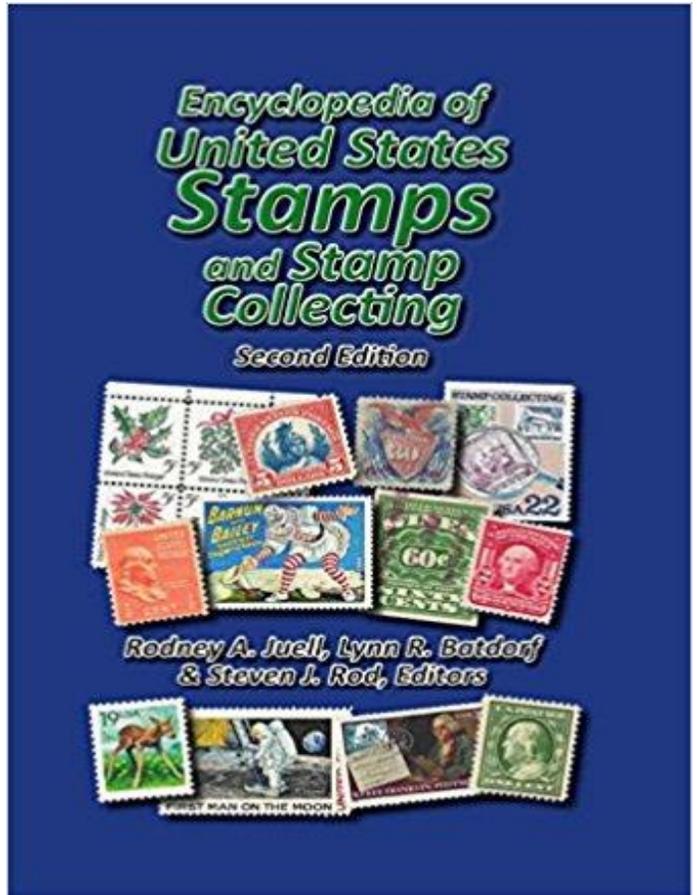


As we are all aware, the Pan American Exposition was held in Buffalo in 1901. A treasure trove of philatelic material emerged with covers, stamps and ephemera being produced. Demand for this material is still strong with the six Pan-American Exposition stamps (Scott 294-299) and the subsequent inverts of the 1, 2 and 4 cent issues commanding high prices at auction, along with cachets, postmarks and cinderellas.

Author Rick Barrett has published a book centered on the stories of two people and the items they created. ***Buffalo Cinderellas - The Gentleman, The Huckster and the Pan American Exposition*** is available for purchase. Contact BuffaloCinderellas@gmail.com.

We are happy to announce that Rick Barrett has offered to give a projector presentation at **BUFPEX** on both Saturday and Sunday beginning at 1 PM that will provide an overview of the material in his book. This should be very interesting. Take advantage of this opportunity – Don't miss it! His book will be available for purchase.

ESSENTIAL LITERATURE



If you collect United States material, this book needs to be in your library. It's a comprehensive reference to collecting United States stamps and covers. The book is separated into parts covering stamps, stamp production and collecting areas. Each chapter is devoted to history, production, technology and research to a certain area of U.S. stamp collecting and helps to make the collector better informed. Hence, it's classified as an encyclopedia. The second edition was published in 2016 and is now out of print. It is still available for purchase at the United States Stamp Society web site, www.usstamps.org or on eBay.

LARRY LYONS DONATION

The Club received another box of material for the auctions donated by Larry Lyons. Included in the material are several books, stamp mixtures and specialized material. Larry is Executive Director of the Philatelic Foundation, a major expertizing firm. He is also the editor of the Penny Post, the journal of the Carriers and Locals Society, and has written several books in this area. The Club benefits from the sale of the material, so bid high! Thank you Larry Lyons!



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DEEP FREEZE!!

First it was the snow, and now it is the deep freeze. One benefit of this weather is that it allows us the opportunity to work on our collections. There are stamps that need to be identified and properly mounted in albums or stock books. Stamp albums and stock books need to be opened so air can circulate and prevent damage to our stamps. Covers need to be sorted, described and placed into sleeves or cover albums. And, it is the perfect time to catch up on philatelic reading.

In addition, now is the perfect time to consider an exhibit for BUFPEX. The weather is a perfect excuse to pull out your philatelic material and organize it into an exhibit. A theme and story will form the foundation as you organize your material. Even one frame would be spectacular. One frame is 16 pages and can consist of stamps, covers or both. A first-time exhibitor may be apprehensive and have many questions. The Club is fortunate to have Bob Meegan to answer questions about exhibiting. Hopefully you got some incite at his January presentation, but time is starting to run out. Now is the time to begin the work and get that project going. The gratification afterwards is worth the effort!

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

February 2nd: Auction

**February 16th: Presentation by
Casey Kielbasa**

March 2nd: Set up for BUFPEX – 6:30 PM

March 3rd & 4th: BUFPEX

Leonard Post, 2450 Walden Avenue, Cheektowaga

Auctions begin immediately following any business and announcements which starts at **7:15 PM**. Get here early enough to view auction items. Seller deadline for submitting Lots is **6:45 PM**

Presentations begin at **7 PM** in the Happy Room.

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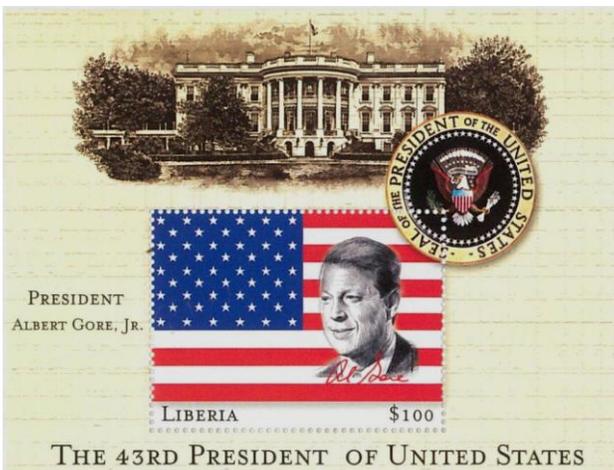
The weather has taken center stage since the Holidays ended. The high temperature on January 5th for the scheduled auction was around zero, and the question was raised whether the Club would meet. The cancellation of a Buffalo Stamp Club event would be considered by the Board if the safety of its members traveling to the event was in jeopardy. For example, heavy blizzard conditions or a travel ban would cancel a meeting. However, every member should use their own judgment, and common sense, in deciding to attend an event. Should an event be canceled, the Board would notify the appropriate media outlets and would also try to contact those members by email or whose phone numbers are available on the Club database. Hopefully, the Club will rarely have to cancel a meeting. Any questions regarding this policy can be brought to the attention of the Board.

Meanwhile, we had over 30 members show up for the meeting and 98 lots were auctioned. We had sprightly bidding and everything went as smooth as ever.

AUCTION ITEM

Submitted by Alan Davis

There was a nice variety of material in the auction on January 5th. As many of you know, I collect a number of famous people. Well, an item caught my eye – it was an unlisted item from Liberia of 4 sheets of the US Presidents through George Bush. It was nicely designed with the White House, showing the US Flag during their respective presidency. Each of the first 3 sheets had 15 stamps each depicting a president. I didn't look that closely at the set until I was getting ready to leave for the night and much to my surprise was the 4th sheet in the set:



WHY EXHIBIT? (PART II)

Previously, this column set forth reasons to exhibit as summarized from the ATA publication, Topical Time. This month is a summary from a column in the January American Philatelist written by APS president Mick Zais. In it, he tells the story of how he began exhibiting for the first time. Working with Steve Zwillinger, an expert on exhibiting, Mick narrowed the scope of his exhibit to one frame. Limiting it to 16 pages was the best advice Mick received from Steve. Mick then picked a topic and titled it "Hand-Drawn and Hand-Painted First Day Covers of the 1937 West Point 5 cent Commemorative."

Mick worked on the exhibit creating a title page and write-up for each cover finally ending up with the format and layout he was happy with. A consequence of showing the "first draft" to others gave a flood of feedback and critique which forced Mick to revise his plan and rewrite the exhibit. He also sent the exhibit to the American Association of Philatelic Exhibitors which prepared a critique. It was "yet another lesson in humility." Mick persevered, completed work and entered the exhibit at the Americover show last August. It won a Vermeil award! Mick writes that he has again revised the exhibit and will show it at Ameristamp Expo this month.

The full article is available at www.aps.org at the members portal. If you would like a copy of this column see Alan Davis or Al Carroccia. It is a humbling story that we can all relate to.

COMPUTER TRAINING

Tim is looking for volunteers to train on the lap top for future auctions. Computer skills and a familiarity with the Excel program would be helpful but not necessary. The process involves entering data on a spreadsheet.

Any member interested please see Tim. This is an excellent opportunity to help the Club. Thank you.

AIRLINE COVERS

As we pass through the deep freeze weather pattern, we can dream of going on that vacation to a warm paradise. For your enjoyment, here are some airline covers to get you there, at least mentally for a moment!

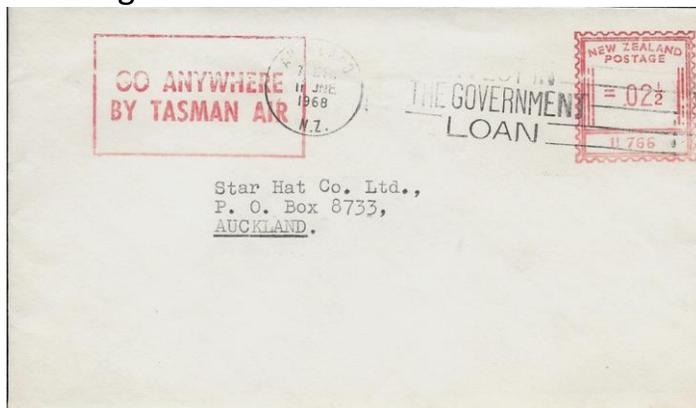
If you are planning a trip to Spain, you may fly Iberia Airlines.



Or if you are going to Ireland you may consider Aer Lingus, "travel the easy way."



Traveling to Australia means flying on Tasman Air. A strong slogan, such as "GO ANYWHERE BY TASMAN AIR", adds to the mystique of traveling to Tasmania.



Before airline deregulation and the invention of the internet (thanks Al Gore!), the airlines worked hard to win the business of travelers by promoting the concept that air travel was just as glamorous as the vacation spots they took you to.

Remember US Air? "FLY THE USA ON USAIR"



Delta Airlines is still around. "JET AWAY on a DELTA DREAM VACATION"



Hopefully, you are now sufficiently warmed up to work on your collections!

BUFPEX SILENT AUCTION

The club will hold a "Silent Auction" at BUFPEX which will close at 1:30 PM on Sunday. Club members must register their lots in the usual manner. All lots should have a starting bid listed, otherwise, they will sell for the top bid submitted. All bidders must register for a number. The club will take the usual 10% commission on the lots sold. Volunteers are needed to monitor the lots during show hours. More information will be available before the show opens.