## **MEXICO EXPORTA SERIES**

An inexpensive and interesting (topical and thematic) area to collect is the Exporta series issued by Mexico. This series of stamps shows the many products that Mexico exports. The series includes 153 face different stamps issued between 1975 to 1993. If you include all the paper, size, color and watermark varieties, the number is over 200 stamps.



The above cover is franked with Scott 1132, the jewelry exporta stamp. This stamp was issued in 1975. The high value was to pay the parcel post rate to the United States at that time. It was used on this cover, which was mailed in December 2019 to pay the first class and registration fees.

Looking through the Scott catalogue for this series shows the stamps to be very affordable. An interesting and specialized collection of stamps and postal history can easily be assembled on a very limited budget.

## **NAMETAGS**

If anyone is interested in obtaining a Buffalo Stamp Club nametag, please let Alan Davis know. The cost of nametags to a mere \$5.00! A Nametag promotes the club and encourages name recognition among members. Let's get to know everyone – by name.



"SORRY, WE DON'T SELL THAT STAMP HERE.
YOU CAN BUY IT IN HOLLOW-GULCH, WYOMING,
THURSDAYS, BETWEEN 3:30 AND 5:00,"

# **4 FIRST DAY CANCELS**

Being from Buffalo, I collect buffaloes on stamps. I acquired this the other day:



The envelope is a Fleetwood FDC of SC 1392 Wildlife Conservation Issue "American Buffalo" cancelled in Custer, SD on July 20, 1970. An ambitious collector took the envelope and applied the SC 3209c Trans-Mississippi 4¢ Centenary stamp "Indian Hunting Buffalo" and had it cancelled in Anaheim, CA on June 18, 1998 - the first day of issue. Then again applied a SC 3236m American Art painting "The Last of the Buffalo" by Albert Bierstadt and had it cancelled in Santa Clara, CA on August 27, 1998 – the first day of issue. And then lastly applied two SC 3468 American Buffalo Serpentine Die cut 11 stamps and had them cancelled in Wall, SD on February 22, 2001 – the first day of issue. All the cities were also the first day of issue cities. What a creative FDC cover designer!



# **BUFFALO STAMP CLUB**

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**MARCH 2020** 

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#### **BUFPEX!!**

BUFPEX Show Hours: Saturday – 10 AM to 4 PM Sunday – 10 AM to 3 PM

Check out the SILENT AUCTION starting Saturday and ending 2:00 Sunday. Winners must be onhand to pick up lots at the end.

The Leonard Post has a new Catering Service – Joseph's Catering – and they have agreed to offer lunch both days at very reasonable prices. Please support them to ensure that our events are worth their effort. We want them back in the future!

March starts out with a bang with BUFPEX concluding on Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. A perfect storm had BUFPEX taking place in February and March, something that has never happened before. Publicity for BUFPEX appeared in last month's newsletter and carries over into this month's newsletter. Also note that the Club will only meet March 20<sup>th</sup> for an auction. The Club will resume its regular schedule in April.

The Club is again looking for members to help with BUFPEX. People are needed before, during and after BUFPEX to ensure a smooth show. The more people on hand the quicker the work gets done!

# **MARCH CALENDAR**

February 28<sup>th</sup>: BUFPEX setup 5 PM

February 29th & March 1st: BUFPEX

March 20th: Auction

April 3rd: Auction

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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## **BUFPEX DEALERS**

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- Kim & Casey Kielbasa, Cheektowaga, NY
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- Tom's Stamps, Butler, PA
- George Sinclair, Dunkirk, NY
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- Telah W. Smith, Ashland, OH
- · Kevin Suckow, Bowmansville, NY
- Paul Duda, Buffalo, NY

The **United States Postal Service** will also have a table at BUFPEX.

As always, things happen. So, the lineup could change at the last minute.

## **SILENT AUCTION**

A Silent Auction will again be held during BUFPEX! The silent auction will be located near the exhibits. Several Club members are needed to collect and organize the lots before the auction, make sure that the auction runs smooth and then, after the auction, tabulate the results, pass out the lots to the winners and pay the consignors. Anyone interested should contact John Leszak.

Items for sale in the Auction can be submitted anytime on Saturday. The Auction will close at **2 PM** on Sunday and winners of lots must pick up and pay for their lots prior to **3 PM**. There will be guidelines posted at the Silent Auction to answer any questions. Thanks to all who participate in the Silent Auction!

## **BUFPEX NOTES**

Bourse Chairman John Leszak has been busy soliciting dealers for BUFPEX. He has been soliciting to out of town dealers who have had tables at BUFPEX and Autumn Stamp Festival in the past and to those that have never been to one of our shows. John reports that out of town dealers are beginning to take notice of both shows! More dealers add to the variety available with the intent of increasing overall attendance. All members should take responsibility to promote our shows and support the dealers!

Setup for BUFPEX will take place Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> beginning around 5 PM. Tables need to be set up for the bourse, Silent Auction and Kids Corner. Then the frames for the exhibits will be delivered by 5:15 and they need to be unpacked and assembled. A group of 6-8 working together can complete the task relatively quickly along with insertion of exhibits into the frames.

After BUFPEX closes on Sunday, the exhibits need to be removed from the frames. Then the frames need to be disassembled and packed. The tables need to be moved into place for Bingo. Again, a group of 6-8 can complete the task quickly.

Club members are needed to staff the hospitality table to greet visitors, pass out and sell raffle tickets, sell show covers and stamp jar guesses. If Club members alternated in 1 or 2 hour shifts, then everyone will have a chance to visit the dealers. It helps to check in at the front table to see who needs a break.

BUFPEX can only succeed with the help of Club members. If each Club member donates one hour or more during BUFPEX, it assures that BUFPEX is successful. Thanks!

#### **EXHIBITS**

Bob Meegan is still looking for exhibits, especially one or two frame exhibits. Contact Bob if you are interested in exhibiting or have questions.

Awards are given to exhibitors in various categories:

Founder's Award - Best in Show

**Dan Cunningham Award** – Best Example of Originality

Foreign Award – Best Foreign Exhibit

Walter Grotke Award – Best Great Britain or British Colonies

Ann Triggle Topical Award – Best Topical Exhibit

Joseph Romito Award – Best Exhibit of Cancellation and U.S. Usages

**Ernie Schuster Award** – Best Exhibit for Travel or Transportation

**Bredl Cover Award** – Best Exhibit of Covers or Postal Stationery

**Emil Auer** – Best 1<sup>st</sup> Time Exhibit by a Club Member

Single Frame Award – Special One-Frame Award

**Larry Manno Award** – Most Popular Exhibit



Submit an exhibit, give it a shot and get your name on a trophy!

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION**

The annual election for Board of Directors will take place prior to the auction on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Four Club members will be elcted to serve a term of 3 years. The Board of Directors is the administrative and executive body of the Buffalo Stamp Club. The Board comprises 12 Club members in good standing (dues paid!) No more than 4 Directors are elected each year. If you are interested in being considered for a position on the Board, give your name to Alan Davis, Bob Meegan or Al Carroccia who will be on the committee conducting the election.

#### **ODD AND PECULIAR COVERS**



Odd, West Virgina



Peculiar, Missouri