CONNECTICUT POSTCARD CLUB NEWSLETTER

Holiday 2012

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The club meets 5 times a year on the 3^{rd} Sunday of the month at the K of C Hall, 2630 Whitney Avenue in Hamden from 10am - 3pm.

The Remaining Meeting for 2012 is Dec. 16 Christmas Meeting

DIRECTIONS TO THE MEETINGS

Merrit/Wilbur Cross Parkway (Rt. 15) Exit 61 – North on Whitney Ave (Rt. 10) about 1 mile to K of C hall on the left.
I-91 to Exit 10 (Mt. Carmel/Whitney Ave.). Left (south) on Whitney Ave. (Rt. 10) about 1/2 mile to K of C hall on the right.
I-95 to either I-91 or Merritt/Wilbur Cross Parkway and then follow above directions.

Club fees are due on January 1st.

\$12.00 per person / \$18.00 for Family membership at the same address. Your mailing label will indicate the year you are paid up through. Send dues to: Joanne Coykendall / 344 Tollgate Rd./ Berlin, CT 06037.

Your prompt payments help to keep our costs down therefore anyone renewing before March 31st will be given a discount of \$2.00 making individual renewals \$10.00 and family renewals \$16.00. Thank you in advance for being a good customer

<u>WEATHER ISSUES</u>: If conditions are threatening please use the following contacts in order to find out whether the meeting will be held; this would apply to any future meeting as well. Jose Rodriquez 203 272 2841 or John Quimby 203 248 1556. Cancellations would be made by 8:00 am the day of the meeting, sooner if obvious. Please do not start traveling to the meeting if there is any question. Please call one of the people listed.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Season's greetings to all fellow Connecticut Postcard Club members. Another Thanksgiving celebration has come and gone and now we are truly in the midst of the busiest time of the year.

We're sending out this newsletter a bit earlier than usual in the hopes that it will give you all the opportunity to save the date for our annual Christmas party that is scheduled for Sunday, December 16th. This has traditionally been our best attended meeting and we're hoping for a great turnout.

We anticipate having several dealers on hand to try and satisfy your collecting wants and desires.....And don't forget the auction --- always a fun event and your opportunity to sell postcards and other related items (ephemera, books, etc.) with the club keeping a small percentage of the selling price.

This is a wonderful chance to catch up with old friends and share some of the joy of the holiday season. This will also be a great time to learn about some exciting changes happening within our club including our new website and our plans to have more monthly meetings in 2013......We will also have our annual election of officers. If you are interested in becoming a member of the governing board or know someone you think would be good at it, please let your fellow CPCC members know. A club with numerous involved members always has a greater chance for success.

One more reminder......This is a pot luck celebration, so I know once again we can count on each of you to bring whatever your own favorite food to share is.....Year after year, it's been an amazing array of delectable foods and I expect it will be the same this year. Looking forward to seeing you all on the 16th and for those who won't be able to make it......Merry Christmas, happy Chanukah and best wishes for a healthy and happy new year.

Morgan Hassenmayer CPCC President





We have lost a few long-time members this past year and want to honor them with some words about each.

Thomas Mills December 14, 1935 – Sept 23, 2012

Tom Mills, a long time member and dealer of the CPCC passed away in September. Tom had his "shop" for many years in the front row at the far right hand table at the CPCC meetings at the K of C Hall. His consistent readiness to help where he could and warm smile and demeanor could be felt throughout the hall almost as much as his laughter. Tom had not been to our meetings for quite a while as he had been ill, but he will surely be missed for a long time to come.

Mr. Thomas S. Mills, age 76 of Oxford, formerly of Milford, passed away on Sunday, Sept. 23, 2012 at Yale-New Haven Hospital. He was born on December 14, 1935 in New Haven and was the son of the late Sterling and Beatrice (Clark) Mills. Mr. Mills served with the US Coast Guard as a Lieutenant Commander from 1958-1971. He was the owner of a hobby store in Milford for many years before his retirement. Mr. Mills was an active member of the Oxford United Church of Christ and also a member of the CT Post Card Club. Mr. Mills is survived by his daughter, Lori Rapuano and her husband Joseph of East Granby, two grandchildren, Amy and Davis Rapuano, a sister Elaine Pilkowski and her husband Walter of Milford and several cousins, nieces and nephews. A Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, Sept. 27 at 10:00 a.m. at the Oxford United Church of Christ, 3 Academy Road, Oxford. Interment will be held in private. Memorial gifts may be made in Thomas' memory to the Church. There will be no calling hours. Arrangements have been entrusted with the Ralph Hull Funeral Home, 161 West Church St, Seymour.

Obituary Published in Connecticut Post on September 26, 2012

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Stanley Leo "Stan" Davidson died peacefully at home on Thursday, October 4, 2012.

He was the devoted husband of Jane (Baker) Davidson for 52 years. He was born in Auburn, Maine on July 14, 1933 to the late Nathan and Gertrude (Park) Davidson. He graduated from Edward Little High School in 1951 and Massachusetts College of Pharmacy of 1955.

Mr. Davidson was a Pharmacist and he owned Howard Pharmacy in Brookline, MA. He was a long time resident of West Yarmouth, Cape Cod, Mass. Stan was a Silversmith (The Silver StanD) and did craft and postcard shows up and down the East Coast for 31 years. He was an Antique Postcard dealer and a prolific postcard checklist writer and expert on artist signed postcards. Stan & Jane participated in the CPPC's Annual Post Card Bourse at the North Haven Holiday Inn for many years.

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Barbara Sergeant March 21, 1927 – October 8, 2012

Charter Member of the CPCC

SERGEANT, BARBARA D. Barbara Drennan Sergeant, 85, of Park Road, North Haven, passed away, Monday, October 8, 2012 at the Regency House, Wallingford. She was the wife of the late Joseph A. Sergeant. Born in Saybrook on March 21, 1927; daughter of the late George M. and Eva B. Friedel Drennan.

She was raised in Deep River, CT, and had worked as a school secretary for the New Haven School System until her retirement. Avid fan of the UCONN Huskies basketball teams and the Boston Red Sox. Barbara had a love of books and kitty cats. She enjoyed gardening and collecting stamps and post cards and was a member of the CT Post Card Club and the Friends of the North Haven Library.

THE CONNECTICUT POST CARD CLUE - MEMBERSHIP CARD -Name Barbara Sergeant Street 23 Edwards 5t. Hamden. Conn. Date Exp. May 19.55

Barbara, along with her husband, the late Joseph Sergeant, were founding members of the CPCC.

She is survived by her sister-in-law Anna Koster and her niece Betty Carol. Predeceased by her brothers Aloysus G. and Vincent Drennan and sisters, Marcella, Mary, Veronica Drennan and Eleanor Colton. She will be sadly missed by her good friends, Roberta Bruno, Ruth DeNardis and Teri Rafter.

Private funeral services have been entrusted to the North Haven Funeral Home, 36 Washington Avenue. There are no visiting hours. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Animal Haven, Inc., 89 Mill Road, North Haven, CT 06473. www.northhavenfuneral.com

Obituary Published in The New Haven Register on October 14, 2012. Her original membership card noting that she was a Charter Member was recently donated to the CPCC by Teri Rafter.

Our member/author Patricia Bayer has written a review of a wonderful new illustrated book on postcards you can give someone -- or put on your own holiday list.

In the decades around 1900, postcards were Twitter, e-mail, Flickr, and Facebook, all wrapped into one. A postcard craze swept the world, as billions of cards were bought and mailed, or just pasted into albums. Many famous artists turned to the new medium, but one of the great pleasures of postcards is how some of the most beautiful and interesting cards were made by artists whose names we barely know. This unprecedented exhibition traces how big historical and cultural themes of the modern age -- enthralling, exciting, and sometimes disturbing -- played out on the postcard's tiny canvas.

The Postcard Age accompanies an exhibition of the same name now on (until April 14, 2013) at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, consisting of outstanding European and American cards from the medium's Golden Age collected over the decades by Leonard A. Lauder (son of the late cosmetics magnate Estee Lauder). In 2002 the MFA mounted a show (and produced a catalogue) featuring Lauder's fascinating collection of Japanese postcards (he gifted the MFA with some 20,000 of them), but this publication, with hundreds of lush color images, is far more inclusive and expansive and takes in sporting images, political and wartime subjects, travel and world's fair cards, dreamy city views, Streamline Moderne gems, and of course wonderful illustrated "fashion shots" of stylish women rendered in the Art Nouveau and Art Deco style, often by artists unknown today (and uncredited on the cards). All of these miniature art works are stunning to behold and beautifully reproduced.

Lauder began collecting postcards as a boy (he's 79 now), starting out with Manhattan buildings, and oh how far he and his collection have come! The book is dedicated to Lauder's wife Evelyn, who died last year -- and who used to say laughingly that postcards were her husband's mistress. It's not hard for most of us to relate to that kind of passionate collecting, and I can't wait to see the exhibition up in Boston!

The book is available in hardcover (\$45) and paperback (\$29.95), and you can purchase it through Amazon and the other usual outlets.

Here's a link -- the book is \$28.05 on Amazon today, with free shipping to the USA:

http://www.amazon.com/The-Postcard-Age-Selections-Collection/dp/0878467815.





Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah, and Happy New Year

THE CONNECTICUT POST CARD CLUB Our 58Th year

2012 CPCC MTG. DATES

Mar. 18 - Club Meet at K of C Apr. 15 - Show at Holiday Inn June 17 – Club Meet at K of C

Sep. 16 - Club Meet at K of C Oct. 21 - Club Meet at K of C Dec. 16 - Christmas Meet at K of C

We're looking forward to seeing you on **Dec. 16th** at the K of C.

Don't forget to bring a dish that will feed eight or more. <u>Please no deserts</u> – the club supplies cake. Also, please bring items for the auction – either donation to the club, or 20% to the club - please specify.