# CONNECTICUT POSTCARD CLUB NEWSLETTER

March 2013

#### **Board of Directors for 2013:**

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Webmaster - Stan Olszewski

The club meets 8 times a year on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at the K of C Hall, 2630 Whitney Avenue in Hamden from 10am – 3pm. **The Remaining Meetings for 2013 are March 10**, **April 21- Annual Spring Show - Holiday Inn - North Haven, May 19, September 15, October 20, November 17, December 15 – Annual Christmas Luncheon/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** were due on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

\$12.00 per person / \$18.00 for Family membership at the same address.

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 31<sup>st</sup> 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

## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:**

Mark your calendars now for what promises to be a memorable meeting of the Connecticut Postcard Club when Tom Dickau, President of the Bristol Historical Society (and former CPCC president) presents an entertaining and informative look back at Connecticut trolley history as it pertained to the Bristol and Plainfield Tramway Company at noon. Beginning in 1895 and continuing until 1935, trolleys served residents of Bristol and Plainville transporting them to different parts of the city. Trolley service was also available between Bristol and New Britain as well as Hartford. An additional route transported the young and the young at heart to Lake Compounce to enjoy a variety of rides, band concerts, dances and an array of fun activities along the lake.

During his presentation, Tom will use multi media to take his audience on a virtual trolley ride along various routes traversed by the Bristol and Plainville Tramway Company --- using historic postcards and photographic images along each route.

This is a wonderful opportunity for anyone interested in learning more about old postcards from Connecticut --- which pretty much covers most of us in the CPCC......This is a meeting not to be missed.....Looking forward to seeing you there!

Morgan Hassenmayer CPCC President



# The Connecticut Postcard Club Minutes of the BOD Meeting December 16, 2012

**Governing Board Present**: President: Morgan Hassenmayer, Vice President: Joe Taylor, Treasurer Jose' Rodriguez, Newsletter Editor/Publisher: John Quimby, Membership Secretary: Joanne Coykendall, and Recording Secretary: Pam Hutchinson.

We had 32 members in attendance and 3 guests during the course of the day. The 50/50 Raffle yielded \$56. The winner of \$28 was Mike Kubeck of Mansfield Center, CT.

This meeting was our annual **Holiday Pot Luck Luncheon and Auction**. Our auctioneer was again past president Tom Dickau who did a wonderful job of keeping us entertained as well as adding to our coffers. The auction netted \$30 to the Club Treasury on a total sales of \$104. Members donating items to auction were Terry Rafter, Greg Currier, Linda Manning, and Joanne Coykendall. Members consigning items to auction were David Kent, Katie Coleman and Morgan Hassenmayer.

# **President's Messages:**

President Morgan Hassenmayer started this meeting with a moment of silence for the tragic occurrence that happened at Sandy Hook on December 14, as well as those in our membership who have passed away during 2012.

#### **A Return to Monthly Meetings:**

Morgan followed up on the old business from the March 2012 meeting regarding returning to monthly meetings in 2013. She reiterated that there would be more consistency and communication if we had the opportunity to meet more often. Again the question of increased costs came up, but a reduction of \$300 in charitable deductions to be given this year (see below in Jose's Message) would partially offset this. Jose' later worked on dates with the KofC and came up with the meeting schedule for 2013 as follows:

January 20, February 17, March 10, April 21- Annual Spring Show at the Holiday Inn in North Haven May 19, September 15, October 20, November 17, December 15

A January meeting notice will be sent out via email and a postcard for those not on the email list.

# **Nominations and the New CPCC BOD for 2013:**

Morgan mentioned that we need someone on the BOD who would handle publicity. Katie Coleman volunteered to fill that position.

We have also filled the new position of Webmaster with current member Stan Olszewski (see below under New Website).

All present members of the BOD have agreed to stay with their positions.

The Slate of Officers for the 2013 BOD was announced and voted in unanimously as follows:

President: Morgan Hassenmayer, Vice President: Joe Taylor, Treasurer: Jose' Rodriguez, Newsletter Editor/Publisher: John Quimby, Membership Secretary: Joanne Coykendall, Advertising and Promotion Manager: Katie Coleman, Recording Secretary: Pam Hutchinson, Webmaster: Stan Olszewski

## **New CPCC Website:**

Morgan announced that the CPCC now has a website. <a href="http://www.cpcc.seocom.com/index.html">http://www.cpcc.seocom.com/index.html</a> run by our new Webmaster Stan Olszewski who is also webmaster for the Garden State Post Card Club of New Jersey. Please check out our site, see all that it has to offer, and bookmark it as one of your *Favorites*. In addition to the Home Page which has twitter updates from the Club, there are sections on Meetings, the Annual Show, Past Newsletters, and Links to many other clubs, shows and dealers. Submit your ideas and communications and let's make this a premiere Postcard Club Website!

# Treasurer's Report and Charitable Donations: Jose' Rodriguez

As is our December tradition, Jose' ran down the list of charitable donations that we have given in the past, made some suggestions for reductions and put the slate to vote. The list was voted on unanimously as follows: Salvation Army Christmas Fund \$200, CT Food Bank (which supports local food banks) \$100, New Haven Soup Kitchen \$100, Animal Haven Inc. of North Haven \$50, Humane Society of Meriden \$50, New Haven Museum \$100 114 Whitney Ave. New Haven <a href="https://www.newhavenmuseum.org/">www.newhavenmuseum.org/</a>

(our donation covers membership at the Contributing Member Level and allows all CPCC members to attend and participate in Museum events, lectures and exhibits)

These donations total \$600- a reduction from \$900 last year so that we can offset the rental for the 2013 KofC monthly meetings.

The formal Treasurer's Report will be attached to this newsletter.

# **Annual Spring Show**

Morgan announced that there are postcards for the CPCC 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Spring Post Card Show available on the front table. This years show will be on Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> and again be held at the Holiday Inn in North Haven. For general Info and Dealer inquiries call Morgan Hassenmayer 860-319-4022 or 203-387-2877 or visit our new website.

Admission is free for CPCC members with early arrival for us at 9am. General Admission begins at 10am and is \$3.00 per person or with an Ad or Flyer, \$2.00.

Respectfully submitted by Pam Hutchinson, Recording Secretary

# **CONNECTICUT POST CARD CLUB 2012 TREASURER'S REPORT**

Starting Balance on January 1, 2012

\$5,511.86

#### 2011 Revenues

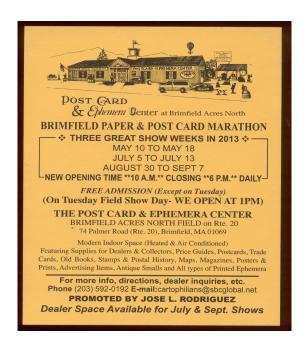
Membership Dues		,710.00
Show Dealer Fees	\$2	2,436.00
Show Admission Fees	\$	115.00
Auction, Donations & Raffle	\$	64.00
Total Revenues	\$4	.325.00

#### 2011 Expenditures

Show Expenses Newsletter Expenses Administration Expenses Food & Entertainment	\$1,860.94 \$ 602.69 \$ 122.00 \$ 176.91	
Liability Insurance	\$ 813.00	
K of C Hall Rent Charitable Donations Adv. & Promotion	\$1,000.00 \$ 600.00 \$ 37.29	
Total Expenses	\$5,212.83	( <b>4</b> , <b>607</b> , <b>63</b> )
	Deficit	(\$ 887.83)
Ending Balance at Decemb	per 31, 2012	\$4,624.03

Respectfully submitted, José L. Rodriguez, Treasurer January 24, 2013





# St. Patrick's Day & Postcards

St. Patrick's Day comes every March 17<sup>th</sup> and being of Irish descent, it's a holiday I have always embraced wholeheartedly. That includes the collecting of antique postcards celebrating the holiday. The most desirable of St. Patrick's Day postcards date back to the very early 1900's, reflecting the Golden Era time frame that came to an end with the start of the first world war.

Postcards promoting "Erin Go Bragh" and the "Wearin' of the Green" are available in a wide price range, depending on what your tastes and wallet dictate. Simple but colorful images of shamrocks, the Irish flag or scenes from Ireland are very plentiful and affordable and some can even found in dealer dollar boxes. The more graphically appealing images --- bearing the faces of sweet Irish lads and lassies or beautiful Colleens --- demand higher prices. Many well-known postcard artists created memorable illustrations for St. Patrick's Day postcards including Frances Brundage, Ellen Clapsaddle, Margaret Evans Price, Bernhardt Wall and many more. My favorites are the ones created by Samuel Schmucker published by John Winsch and I have a few examples here for you to enjoy..........

Morgan Hassenmayer









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# **2012 CPCC MTG. DATES**

Mar. 10 - Club Meet at K of C
Apr. 21 - Show at Holiday Inn
Oct. 20 - Club Meet at K of C
May 19 - Club Meet at K of C
Nov. 17 - Club Meet at K of C

Dec. 15 - Christmas Meet at K of C

We're looking forward to seeing you on Mar. 10<sup>th</sup> at the K of C