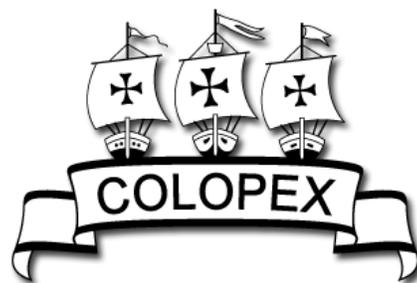




THE COLUMBIAN

March 2022



We are now commencing a New meeting format:

First monthly meeting (Second Monday of the month) AT CHS

Starting at 7:00PM with a business meeting at 7:30 followed by a program

Second monthly meeting (Fourth Monday of the month) ZOOM

Zoom meeting (Starting at 7:00)

Email Walt-wbauer57@gmail.com if you wish to receive invitations to our Zoom meetings. All members and friends are encouraged to participate.

MARCH	14	Van Siegling (at CHS)	Eliminating the Mystique of Judging
MARCH	28	YouTube (Graham Beck)	What's the Deal with Pen Cancels? (15:09) USA Lighthouse Stamps (6:24)
APRIL	11	Jason Manchester (at CHS)	1937 Souvenir Sheets of Europe
APRIL	25	YouTube (Graham Beck)	Top Ten Dead Countries to Collect (17:05)



By arrangement with **THE COLUMBUS HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

we now meet at their headquarters

717 West Town Street.

It is easily accessed from the freeway as shown in this map (Town St. is labelled Rte. 62)

Enter at the main entrance at the west side of the building. We expect one or two guests from the Historical Society at this meeting.

Message from President Siegling:

Hello, fellow Philatelists and Stamp Collectors!!!

We had our first face-to-face meeting in over two years on February 28th. It was held in the current headquarters of the Columbus Historical Society (CHS). We had so many people show up, the room was actually crowded! Fortunately, we can move the display cabinet that was in the center of the room for future meetings. The CHS supplied cookies and drinks; Maureen brought a nice variety of home-cooked treats. So a grand time was had by all.

Since Covid has prevented face-to-face meetings for so long, we had a LOT of business to handle. Work is progressing on Colopex, which is fast approaching. Club officers and members had gathered auction lots and brought many of them for sale. The auction raised \$57 dollars for the club. The business meeting lasted

nearly 1-1/2 hours, but did not drag. We got a lot accomplished! Unfortunately my talk had to be postponed. Check the schedule for when it will be given.

When Jason Manchester and I first toured this facility it was when the Omicron variant was near its height. Everyone was a bit afraid of gatherings. So we asked the CHS Board of Trustees to allow us to meet there once a month, preferably the second Monday of the month. (We planned for our other monthly meeting would be via Zoom.) HOWEVER, Covid numbers have been dropping dramatically and are expected to stay down for a while. We have asked the CHS Board of Trustees to allow us to meet twice a month. I believe this will be handled expeditiously. For those not in the know, our own beloved Fran Ryan is on the CHS Board of Trustees. So we have a "force of nature" supporting our request!

The CHS does require they have one or two of their own people at the facility when another group holds a meeting. (That is why we could not meet there on February 14th. No volunteers to open the building.) Both CHS officers who came to our meeting JOINED the CLUB! it is possible that due to staffing problems the CHS might not be available for all of our meetings. but I believe they can handle most, if not all. My opinion is that a face-to-face meeting is much better than a Zoom meeting, and a Zoom meeting is far superior to no meeting at all. For a short time we will all have to check the website <http://www.colopex.org> to find out if the next meeting will be held at CHS headquarters or via Zoom.

Keep your albums and checklists handy!

Van Siegling
President, Columbus Philatelic Club

COLOPEX 2022 IS Happening!

Our new Show Chair, Guy Purington has arranged to hold Colopex 2022 on 10-11 June 2022 at: Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Columbus – Worthington 175 Hutchinson Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43235. (This was the site of the 2015 AFDCS Convention in 2015)

MUCH HELP is needed if Colopex is to be a success. Please contact either Van or Ken to volunteer. Your input is vital!

COLUMBUS PHILATELIC CLUB

The Columbus Philatelic Club (CPC) was founded in Columbus, Ohio in 1925 to foster, develop and enhance the hobby of stamp collecting for the benefit of its members. The CPC is a chapter of the American Philatelic Society. Membership is open to all.

MAILING ADDRESS: Columbus Philatelic Club, PO Box 20582, Columbus, OH 43220-0582

CPC OFFICERS: President: Van Siegling; Vice-President: Rick Young; Secretary: Maureen Thacker; Treasurer: Walter Bauer; Immediate Past President: Jason Manchester; Columbian Editor: Jason Manchester. Board Members: Gary Eschelbach (2019-20), Ken Gilbert (2019-20), Ed Gosnell (2018-19) and David Gray (2018-19).

DUES In a normal year DUES would be \$10 per calendar year for regular members, \$15 for husband and spouse and \$5 for junior members (under 18 years of age). No dues for 2020 and 2021. Payments may be mailed to CPC, PO Box 20582, Columbus, OH 43220-0582, or given directly to the Treasurer.

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WEB: <http://www.colopex.com>

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