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# **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Syracuse Stamp, Coin & Collectibles Show June 9, September 8, 2019

Second Sundays Maplewood Suites, 400 7<sup>th</sup> North St., Liverpool. Thruway Exit 36. Hours: Sunday 10-4:30 Info. Ed Bailey, (315)-452-0593.

#### **Bayside Stamp Show**

Bayside, Queens, New York – June 16, September 15, 2019 The Adria Hotel, 22033 Northern Blvd., Bayside Queens Hours: 10-4:30, Info: Marilyn Nowak, <u>marilynjnowak@verizon.net</u>

Capital District Third Sunday Stamp & Collectibles Show Troy, New York, June 16, August 18, September 15, 2019 Troy Elks Lodge, 134 North Green bush Rd. (Route 4), Troy, New York Hours: 10-4. The future of this show is in question.

> Cheektowaga, New York-June 16, September 15, 2019

Third Sundays Knights of Columbus Banquet Hall, 2735 Union Rd., Cheektowaga Hours: Sunday 10-3. Info: Dave Tortorice, (716) 873-4280

> Northeast Postal History & Ephemera Show Albany, New York July 20 & 21, 2019

Polish Community Center, 225 Washington Ave. Ext., Albany, N.Y. Hours: Sat. 10-6, Sun. 10-4. Info: George McGowan, (518) 573-5457, geolotus2003@nycap.rr.com

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# New Slate of Officers Elected at ESPHS Annual Meeting at **ROPEX**

By Dr. Charles J. DiComo

The Society's Annual Meeting was held on May 18th at ROPEX in Rochester, NY. I am excited to report that a new President has been elected - and I shall assume this role immediately. David Przepiora will be staying on as Vice President to ensure a smooth transition. I thank him for his many years of service, along with Frank Braithwaite who served as VP. In addition, George McGowan and George DeKornfeld shall remain as Secretary and Treasurer for another year, respectively. I thank them both for their ongoing commitment to the Society. I am honored to have been entrusted with this role and will do my best to engage our membership, to share my passion for philately, New York postal history, and history in general with our constituents and beyond.

In other news, our Board of Directors have been renewed for additional terms. They are: Heather Sweeting (20), Alan Parsons (20), Brian Levy (21), Maris Tirums (21), John Cali (22), and Drew Nicholson (22). Thank you all for your dedication to the ESPHS. Finally, Dr. DeKornfeld has taken on two new important roles, APS Liaison and Awards Chair – please do thank George when vou An updated organizational be found can. chart can here: http://www.esphs.us/organization/ and the new Palmares Award details are here: http://www.esphs.us/news/palmares-awards/

### **Outgoing Presidents Message**

Members, we held our annual meeting on Saturday May 18, 2019 at ROPEX in Canandaigua, NY. Seven members were in attendance with 7 proxies entered. We were able to elect and reelect our officers and directors. The big news in this is, I would like to congratulate our new President Charles DiComo. I am sure he will do an excellent job in that position. I will be continuing to serve as Vice President after many years as a director and President. As we go forward be assured, we are doing well, but we still need more members participation in providing more information for our web site and Bulletin and articles on postal history for the Excelsior. Please let us know you are out there reading these publications and tell us about your collection and research.

David Przepiora

# **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

DEADLINE – The deadline for the September 2019 issue of the *BULLETIN* is September 1, 2019. The editor is always looking for short (1/2 page, 1 page, 1 ½ page or 2 page) articles to fill spots in the *BULLETIN*. Submit to Larry Laliberte at <u>largin1@verizon.net</u>. And don't forget, an article of one page or more will get you an additional year's membership.

### Secretary's Membership Report

Address Change:

Brother Joseph V. Gallagher, O.S.F. Maria Regina Residence, Room 234 1725 Brentwood Road Brentwood, N.Y. 11717 613-299-3234 New Member: Wayne Schuetz

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## **ESPHS Best Exhibit of N.Y. State Postal History**



Congratulations to Wayne Schuetz of Venice, FL who was the winner of the ESPHS Best Exhibit of N.Y. State Postal History Award for his exhibit titled "Examiner Markings Study, Type EM-6 Used at the General P.O. in New York City, 1902-1920".

The exhibit was shown at the Boxborough show May 3-5. It was a World Series of Philately show. The award, which also includes a one year membership in the Society, is pictured at left. The exhibit also earned a Gold Medal.

# Welcome New Officers and Board

At our annual meeting at ROPEX we held our elections with the following results;

President Charles DiComo (2021), Vice President David Przepiora (2021), Secretary George McGowan (2020), Treasurer George DeKornfeld (2020)

Directors: Brian Levy (2021), Maris Tirums (2021), John Cali (2022), Drew Nicholson (2022)

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#### **EXCELSIOR!** DEADLINE

The deadline for the September, 2019 issue of *EXCELSIOR*! is July 31, 2019.

As an incentive, submitting a one to four-page article will get you a one year extension on your membership and a five-page article will get you a two year extension. Just think – if you write regularly for *EXCELSIOR*!--you'll have the potential of earning free membership for life! And, think about how you will enrich yourself and others.

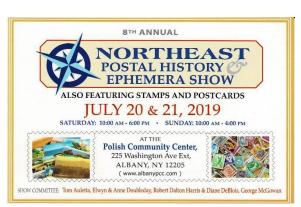
#### **NEW AWARD ANNOUNCED**

As I'm in the process of completing the update on the APS' 2019 Affiliate/Unit Report. I found a section that asks if our Society offers a reward for the best article written for our Journals. As the new Prize Chair, I've taken the liberty of replying in the 'affirmative.' I discussed this with our Publications Chair, Drew Nicholson, who approved of the idea. We agreed to provide the opportunity for the entire membership to vote for the best article, the winner to be selected by simple majority. Drew came up with the idea of adding the ballot to our membership dues renewal mailing since it provides a SASE, increasing the odds of getting replies/votes (since members will be sending in their dues anyway). Also, there's really no additional cost to the Society doing the ballots this way, other than an additional side of paper printed with the names of the past year's articles.

Upside: This may stimulate more articles to be written; special mention of the winner on our website; the APS may post the article on their website with a link to ours. Downsides: I got nuthin.'

The award itself could either be like the one we're giving out now for best NY exhibit at shows (personalized acrylic paper weight of NY State), or something a slightly more colorful/exotic trophy-wise (I'm leaning towards the latter).

So...if our new El Jefe and Board are willing to put their blessing upon this plan...Larry, please put an announcement about this in our next 'Bulletin.' Thoughts? Comments?



George DeKornfeld Treasurer, Prize Chair, APS liaison.

# A Manuscript Postmark from Haviland Hollow

By Lawrence Laliberte

Haviland Hollow is a small community in the Town of Patterson, Putnam County, N.Y. The Post Office was established on March 18, 1837 and continued for 57 years until it was discontinued on February 10, 1880. Service was then provided by the Post Office in Patterson. The cover shown in **Fig. 1** was addressed to Turner & Co., Boston, Mass. and bears a Scott #65.

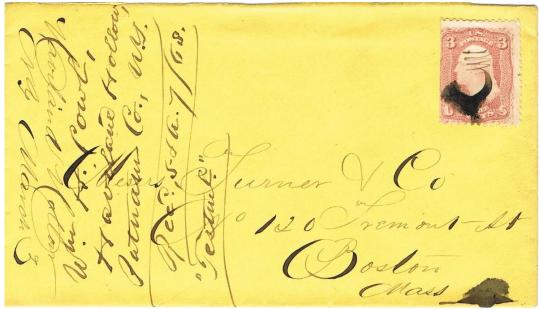


Figure 1 The Cover from Haviland Hollow dated March 3.

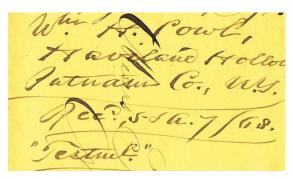


Figure 2. The manuscript cancel from the cover.

The next five lines reading up was applied by the recipient "W<sup>m</sup>. H. Cowl, //Haviland Hollow// Putnam Co., N.Y. // Rec. 5-& a 7/ 68. // 'Testmet' (?)" **Fig. 3**.

It took just two days to days to travel from a small village in Putnam Co. to go to Boston, Mass. Service hasn't improved much in 151 years.

The two lines at the far left is the manuscript cancel and reads down "Haviland Hollow// NY March 3." See **Fig 2**.



*Figure 3. The receiving notation applied by someone at Turner & Co.*