



# Thames Stamp Club Newsletter

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The Thames Stamp Club meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, Sept. through June, at 7:30 P.M. at the Waterford Public Library, 49 Rope Ferry Rd, Waterford, CT. All area philatelists are invited. Annual dues are \$10.00. The club's email is [tbbee@aol.com](mailto:tbbee@aol.com). The club's address is PO Box 624, E. Lyme, CT 06333 and on the web at <http://www.ThamesStampClub.org>.

## December Recap

**13 Dec** Open meeting at the Waterford Public Library with eight members attending and two in Zoom land. Charles is still tallying up the numbers but all indications are Thamespex will be in the black again this year. We discussed the details of our holiday party scheduled for Saturday 16 Dec at Suzanne Cole's house (Ed David's daughter), 287 Montauk Ave, Stonington, CT. Start at 6 PM and end at 8 PM. The club will provide a sandwich platter. Please bring a *hors d'oeuvres* or dessert platter and something to drink. Also, no liquor but wine is OK. We will exchange philatelic door prizes. Please bring a door prize worth at least \$5. Charles discussed charity seals and Tony discussed a cover that had twelve OX29 Post Office Seals (used to show the item was damaged during transit). Refreshments by Tony and a short auction concluded the evening.

## January Meetings

**10 Jan** – In-person meeting at Waterford Public Library + Zoom for those who cannot make it. Thamespex hot wash-up cont. Charles N has refreshments  
**24 Jan** – In-person meeting at Waterford Public Library + Zoom for those who cannot make it. Gerry V has refreshments.

## January Stamp Shows

**12-13 Jan New England Stamp Expo** @ Verve Hotel (Hilton), 1360 Rt. 9, Natick, MA  
**28 Jan 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Show** @ The Annex Y.M.A. in East Haven

## Here and There

This month's cover-of-the-month is superseded by highlights from our Christmas Party. I want to personally thank the Coles for sharing their lovely home with us to celebrate the Christmas season. If you have a candidate for cover-of-the-month, please send me a scan plus a short write-up. Brian has designed another spectacular cover honoring the USS Parche SSN 683. If you have not paid your 24 dues, please consider doing so today. Dues are \$10/yr. Please mail \$10 to TSC, PO Box 624, E. Lyme, CT 06333. I am circulating the stamp-circuit boxes; if you want to check out the box in your home for a few days, let me know. Everyone please stay healthy and safe. The following link will take you to the APS Newsletter: <https://stamps.org/news/c/news/p/1>

Philatelically yours,

*Tony*

Tony Bruno

Some photos from our 2023 TSC Christmas Party



Our host Suzanne



John and Charles series business



Andrea, Gerry and Ed enjoying a moment



Sue and Dee enjoying the discussion



Checking out door prizes