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ROPEX-96 Calendar of Events

Note: Many individual exhibitors will be available to answer
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Friday - April 12, 1996

8-10 am Coffee in Hospitality Suite - Room 1200
10:00 am **ROPEX 96 Opens**
NOON Exhibitors' Luncheon - Barnaby's
2:00 pm BIA Seminar, "U.S. Transportation Airmails," G. H. Davis -
Genesee Room
3:00 pm BIA Luminescence Study Group, "Twenty-One Types of the \$1
Seaplane Ceremonial Program," Bruce Menia - Genesee Room
4:00 pm BIA Seminar "Unusual Washington-Franklin Head Issues,"
Larry S. Weiss - Genesee Room
5:30 pm Jacques C. Schiff, Jr., "How to Participate in a Stamp Auction as
Buyer or Seller" - Genesee Room
7:00 pm **Show Closes**
7-Midnight Hospitality in Room 1200

Saturday - April 13, 1996

8:00 am BIA Board Meeting - Genesee Room
8-10 am Coffee in Hospitality Suite - Room 1200
9:00 am Federation of Central New York Philatelic Societies Meeting -
Fairfax Room
10:00 am **Show Opens**
10:00 am APS Judging Seminar (Traditional), William H. Bauer - Fairfax
Room
10:00 am Committee Meeting, BIA Washington-Franklin Head Issues
Committee - Genesee Room
11:00 am Bureau of Engraving and Printing Presentation, Cecilia
Wertheimer (Curator, Historical Resource Center), Michael
Rourke (Foreman, Photo-Lithography Section), and Frank Young
(Siderographer), "Between Engraving and Printing - Pre-Press
Work at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing - Fairfax Room
Fakes, Forgeries & Counterfeits Study Group - Genesee Room
11:00 am Empire State Postal History Society and Mobile Post Office
Society Joint Meeting - Fairfax Room
NOON Chapter 53, Central New York First Day Cover Society Luncheon
- Barnaby's
1:00 pm Bureau Issues Association General Meeting, all welcome -
Fairfax Room
1:30 pm Chapter 53 CNYFDCS Business Meeting - Barnaby's
2:00 pm Jacques C. Schiff, Jr., "How to Protect Yourself from Buying
Doctored Stamps and Covers" - Fairfax Room
2:00 pm AAPE Seminar - Genesee Room
3:00 pm Judges' Critique - Genesee Room
3:00 pm Beginners' Seminar - for all ages - Fairfax Room
4:30 pm Beginners' walk-through of exhibits - exhibit highlights for
beginners - meet at ballroom entrance
6:00 pm **Show Closes**
6:30 pm Cash Bar before Banquet
7:30 pm **ROPEX 96 Banquet** - Genesee Room - No Smoking in Banquet
Room.
End of Banquet until Midnight - Hospitality in Room 1200

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Sunday - April 14, 1996

- 8-10 am Coffee in Hospitality Suite - Room 1200
10:00 am **Show Opens**
10:00 am BIA Expertizing Session - Fairfax Room
10:00ish The Marmalades - Show and Tell - Genesee Room
11:00 am BIA Presidential Issue Committee, "The Prexies Go to War,"
Stephen L. Suffet - Genesee Room
12 noon BIA Seminar, "U.S. Consular Fee Stamps," William H. Waggoner
- Fairfax Room
12:30 pm New York Philatelic Bandits Hootenany, Stamp Swap, and Pizza
Party - location TBA
1:30 pm Jacques C. Schiff, Jr., "Errors, Freaks, and Oddities" -Fairfax
Room
4:00 pm **ROPEX 96 Closes** - Take Down Starts -

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Our Theme

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It's an honor for any athlete to win an Olympic gold medal, especially if the games are held in his or her country. Such was the case at the first modern games in Athens, 1896. Spiriden Louis, a peasant, won his nation's only medal that year in the marathon.

Trying to describe the American Olympic experience without superlatives is impossible. Few people are unfamiliar with the names of Jesse Owens, Muhammad Ali, Mark Spitz, Peggy Fleming and Mary Lou Retton- all Olympic champions. Team competitions have brought us the 1980 US hockey team's "miracle on ice" and more recently, the first of many basketball "dream teams." These and many more Olympians can fortunately be found on stamps, although not necessarily those from the US!

In times of divisiveness, the power of the Olympic spirit allows us to dream of the universality of man. Little has changed since those first ancient games 2,770 years ago.

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The BIA is holding its annual membership meeting at this year's ROPEX National Stamp Show. The only society devoted to the study of stamp and revenue paper issued for use in the United States and U.S. administered areas, the BIA has over 2300 members worldwide and has been serving collectors since 1930 as a non-profit organization. The BIA society table will be staffed continuously throughout ROPEX show hours. Copies of BIA reference literature will be available for review and purchase.

A series of 6 seminars dealing with various aspects of U.S. philately will be presented in addition to the ever popular Washington-Franklin expertization seminar where collectors may bring in a Washington-Franklin stamp for an opinion by their Washington-Franklin Committee. Specific subject matter and seminar times will be available at the BIA society show table.

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It has been a pleasure working with Jay Stotts, President of the Bureau Issues Association, in planning the many activities associated with the BIA annual meeting. We hope that the BIA members who have come here for their meeting will have an enjoyable time and come back another year!

It has also been a pleasure working with Cecilia Wertheimer of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, who assembled the remarkable collection of archival material now being shown for the very first time. We are delighted that the stamp collectors of Rochester have a chance to see this unique exhibit.

Planning this annual show takes a lot of work from a large number of people. The ROPEX committee is a diverse and dedicated group, and it is their hard work over a period of months that makes the show go smoothly. We are also aided by dozens of Rochester Philatelic Association members who volunteer their time during the show. Thank you, one and all!

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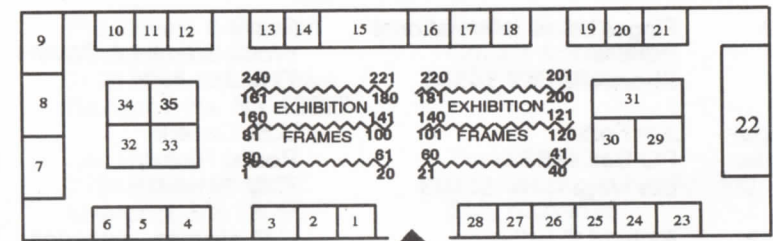
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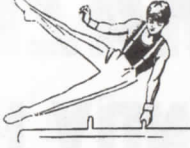

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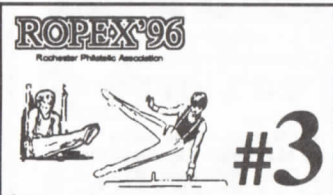
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