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Greetings and ...

Happy Birthday

West Toronto Stamp Club

On the 10th of March 2012 our Club will be celebrating its 77th birthday. It is quite a milestone! With a strength of 77 members, the Club continues to be one of the most vibrant stamp clubs in the GTA offering activities on different aspects of stamp collecting and philately.

This issue is partly dedicated to the sensitive topic of **Estate Planning & Insurance** which was presented by our fellow member Peter Butler at the 21 February Discussion Group session. The purpose of discussing it here is that a large number of our members did not attend.

Peter specifically emphasized these items:

- ~ Inventory of collections
- ~ Evaluation
- ~ Insurance
- ~ Disposal process

The review, attended by 19 members and 4 visitors, generated lively two-way discussions on this delicate subject. It became apparent that the large majority of the attendees seemed to have not tackled this topic. However, the audience left the evening with thoughts to be pondered and some work to be done.

At the session I promised that I would provide members a copy of my inventory form hoping that it would motivate and be useful to them. (Turn over)

Thank you very much Peter for presenting and enlightening our members.

Frank

Membership

Membership Secretary Chris Edwards reports that as at the end of February 2012 our paid-up membership is 74. There are still a number of members (10) who have not renewed yet.

A warm welcome is extended to new members **Phillipa Croft, Brian Duncan, Michael Graf, Claudia Mota, Anne Schaefer, George Walford and Peter Yang.**

Elections of Board of Directors

The Club will hold its bi-annual elections on 22 May 2012. President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary and a maximum of 6 Directors will be elected/re-elected.

Consider the enjoyment you have received from our Club, don't you think you should now give some of your time to it? It only takes couple of hours per month. Think about it!

Annual Stamp Exhibition

Are you preparing your exhibit(s)? 08 May is not too far off. Remember the normal Regular meeting will not be held to accommodate the exhibition in the Auditorium.

There will be three-levels of exhibits:

- ~ Single page (Topic: Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee)
- ~ No Rule (single-page or multiple pages)
- ~ One-frame (16 standard pages)

Mar-Apr 2012 Calendar

All the activities are on Tuesdays

Mar 06	6:30 pm	Doors open
	7:00 pm	Machin Study Group
Mar 13	6:30 pm	Doors open
	7:00 pm	Meeting & Show-and-tell
	7:45 pm	Live & Silent Auctions
Mar 20	7:00 pm	Presentation on "Do you know what you're collecting?"
Mar 27	6:30 pm	Doors open
	7:00 pm	Meeting
	7:45 pm	Live & Silent Auctions
Apr 03	6:30 pm	Doors open
	7:00 pm	Machin Study Group
Apr 10	6:30 pm	Doors open
	7:00 pm	Meeting & Show-and-tell
	7:45 pm	Live & Silent Auctions
Apr 17	7:00 pm	Discussion Group
Apr 24	6:30 pm	Doors open
	7:00 pm	Meeting
	7:45 pm	Live & Silent Auctions

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