Greetings, Fellow NERBA-ites!

I hope you are as excited as I am that NERBA is only a few months away. Have you started your countdown calendar?

The awards this year are so varied! There is absolutely something for everyone. If you haven’t entered a tray before, this is a great time. If you’ve entered before, now is not the time to stop.

Your Board of Directors has been working hard on some areas that can be improved. Here are a few of them:

- Expect to have a longer display time for the award winners
- Find out the results of a search for a more central location for the show
- Learn about all the new officers

I also urge you to volunteer. Besides flitting around the showroom, I assist one of the dealers while she is at Gary’s poke. Perhaps someone could use your help at one of the tables – Raffle, Ways & Means, Registration and in the Judging Room.

To find out more about buttons, be sure to clerk! I’ve learned so much and look forward to hanging out with the experts. That makes me feel grown-up!

Don’t forget your items for the Raffle, Ways & Means and Auction!!!

See you at NERBA 2019!

Kathy Arbogast
NERBA President

PS. Forget inflation!! The cost of the breakfast this year is the same as in 2018! Remember, it helps to support NERBA’s expenses at the show.
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SHOW SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2019
7:00 – 9:30 a.m.  Dealers only setup
9:00 a.m.  Registration, Raffle and Way & Means open
9:30 a.m.  Showroom opens!
4:00 – 5:15 p.m.  Tray check-in
5:00 p.m.  Showroom closes
4:30 – 6:00 p.m.  Drop off auction items
5:15 – 5:45 p.m.  Count & Measure trays
6:00 – 7:15 p.m.  Auction Preview
7:15 p.m.  Auction

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2019
8:00 a.m.  Judges and Clerks meeting – Judging begins
9:00 a.m.  Registration, Raffle and Ways & Means open
9:30 a.m.  Showroom opens
4:00 p.m.  Annual Directors meeting
5:00 p.m.  Showroom Closes
7:30 p.m.  ‘Studio Buttons’ with Donna Presnell followed by reception & tray viewing

SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2019
8:00 a.m.  Breakfast, Awards, and Annual Meeting
10:00 a.m.
11:30 - Noon  Tray Check-out
Noon  Showroom closes

Show Manager
Scott Person – guy12074@yahoo.com

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Anita Cody – anibc@aol.com

Awards Chair
Linda Goldberg – lgoldberg3@gmail.com

Judging Chair
Gretchen Gauthier – Gretchen.B.Gauthier@gmail.com

2019 AWARD CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Award 18. Animals assorted specialized to those in their natural state. No cartoons, comic or storybook animals.

Award 23. People allowed. Palette need not be the focus of the button, but must be clearly visible.

Award 26. Cl 20-3, 20 Any size, Astronomical specialized to crescent moon. May include other pictorials, In memorial to Past Club members.

Award 29. Cl. 23-1, 20 Any size. Backgrounds assorted. Must have at least two from each subclass with remaining free choice of any background.
DONATIONS WANTED!!

AUCTION: Please submit a full description of buttons/items to be sold at auction to Judy Noonan no later than May 31, 2019. You must be a member of CT, MA, ME, NH, NY, RI or VT button societies to consign items. Each lot must have a minimum $25 value. Three lot maximum per member for consignment. The auction chair reserves the right to reject items deemed unacceptable.

The auction is a major fundraiser for NERBA! Donations support the organization so we can continue to host this event for many years to come. Please contact the auction chair by May 31 if you would like to donate lots so we can recognize your generosity. There is no limit on the number of donated items.

Terms: 75% of hammer price to the consignor and 25% to NERBA. Checks will be mailed to the consignor by 8/1/2019.

Please do not send items to be auctioned. If your items are accepted, the auction chair will provide you with lot number(s) and more information about submitting your lot(s).

Please deliver items to the auction room between 4:30 and 6 p.m. on Friday, June 7. The auction preview runs from 6 to 7:15 p.m. with the auction starting promptly at 7:15 p.m.

Please contact Judy Noonan, Auction chair at 56 Newton Place, Framingham, MA 01702, judycubed@gmail.com or at 508-733-3712 if you have any questions.

WAYS & MEANS

The Ways & Means Table is also a major fundraiser for NERBA. Donated buttons and button-related items are sold at Ways & Means with all proceeds supporting NERBA.

Donate an item which is priced and ready to sell! You can donate as many items as you’d like. Feel free to put your name on the tag so people know that you are the donor. Please deliver all donated items to the Ways & Means Table or have a friend deliver them (if you can’t make it to the show).

Please contact Judy Noonan at judycubed@gmail.com or 508-733-3712 if you have any questions.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for the Judging room (runners, clerks, counters and judges), Raffle table, Registration table, and Ways & Means.

Please contact the following to volunteer:

Gretchen Gauthier at Gretchen.B.Gauthier@gmail.com or at 860-448-6733 to volunteer in the judging room.
Elaine Baur at elainebaur@gmail.com to volunteer for the Raffle Table
Judy Noonan at judycubed@gmail.com to volunteer for Ways & Means
Laurel Durso at ldbuttons@yahoo.com to volunteer to help at Registration

Thanks in advance to everyone who donates items and to the many volunteers! NERBA’s success is a result of your generous support!

WANTED: NOMINATIONS FOR NERBA OFFICER POSITIONS!

If you are interested in serving as a NERBA officer (President, VP or Secretary), please contact the Nominating Committee: Scott Person (NY) Chairman (guy12074@yahoo.com), Linda O’Brien (MA) kkjcpr@gmail.com, Anita Cody (CT) anibc@aol.com, Mary Ellen Shelzi (NH) memcc18@gmail.com, Elaine Baur (ME) elainebaur@gmail.com, and Amy Larson (VT) avtlars@msn.com.

NEW JUDGING CHAIR NEEDED

At the end of this year’s show Gretchen Gauthier is stepping down as Judging Chair after a decade of serving in a leadership role in the judging room. Gretchen is happy to train a new Judging Chair at this year’s NERBA. If you are interested in taking on this important role, please contact Kathy Arbogast at ktarb@nycap.rr.com or Gretchen at Gretchen.B.Gauthier@gmail.com.

RACK STORAGE NEEDED

We are in need of a volunteer to store the racks on which the competition trays are displayed. Interested parties should contact Kathy Arbogast, ktarb@nycap.rr.com.
Please thank these states for assisting with the following responsibilities at NERBA!

- Connecticut: Registration and Pre-registration
- Massachusetts: Breakfast decorations
- New York: Raffle

NERBA WEBSITE

Kathy Arboagast and Deb Hanson are committed to providing important details about NERBA and the June show online.

Be sure to bookmark nerba.org and check it frequently for the latest updates, including a direct link to book your hotel reservation, the awards list, and tray slips.

Be sure to check out NERBA.org for show updates, tray slips, and entry forms!

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR SHOW/BREAKFAST REGISTRATION

This form must be received by Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Pre-registration $10 per person ($15 at the door) $_________________

Breakfast $28 per person (includes meal, tax, gratuity and favor button) $_________________

Total $_________________

Name(s) ____________________________________________________

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Contact information: Phone or email _______________________________________

Please send a check made payable to NERBA to:
Laurel Durso
1301 Old Northfield Rd.,
Thomaston, CT 06787

Have Questions? Please email Laurel at ldbuttons@yahoo.com.
NORTHEAST REGIONAL BUTTON ASSOC. Award Entry Form
Limit 7 entries

Entrant must fill out BOTH copies

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