

Albany Bottle Show Report

The Capital Region Antique Bottle Club (CRAB Inc.) held its 16th annual show and sale last November 11 at the Polish Community Center located on Washington Avenue in Albany, N.Y.

There were 50 dealers from mainly the Northeast Region, filling the show room to near capacity. The tables were full of every kind of bottle one would hope to find at a show.

Jason Privler and Fran Huges go out of their way to make all dealers and guests feel welcome and happy. The morning starts with free coffee, orange juice, bangles, donuts and fruit for all the dealers during set up. The tables are spaced so no one feels crowded like some shows tend to be. The lighting is great and getting in and out is a breeze with large doors and a huge parking area.

CRAB also offers some great displays every year. This year was no different with top notch displays of poison, magnesium, pharmacy and nailsea bottles. Over 100 collectors came through the door to purchase items for their collections. Sales were strong, according to most dealers. I was able to sign up a few new members to the FOHBC.

Anyone interested in joining the club can contact Fran Huges at 518-377-7134 or fhuges@nycap.rr.com. Dues are \$15 yearly.

The club has over 60 members and holds monthly meetings. It publishes monthly newsletter as well.

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Please, everyone back local clubs and keep our hobby alive and growing. Clubs and shows are the backbones of the hobby.

Jim Bender FOHBC Membership Director

