



## SECRETARY'S REPORT

*Lucy Eyster*

The May 14 meeting was brought to order by President Paul Petersen with 32 members present. Paul said the stamp show was a great success, with an estimated 450 people in attendance. The Treasurer reported a profit from the show of \$929.02. A motion by Dick Shaefer for the club to purchase about 10 more aluminum exhibit frames as they become available was approved. Jim Boyles thanked everyone for their help with the show.

Marilyn Shirley told the club about the reorganization of the wsletter staff. Everyone is encouraged to submit articles or ideas for articles to the Editor by the middle of each month.

Peter Billis thanked the club again for the wedding gift one and one-half years ago. He and Victoria have purchased a vacuum cleaner with the money. The June meeting will be an auction using the new paddle system with Peter Billis in charge of tallying. The July meeting will possibly be a member's slide program of collecting interest. The August meeting is a picnic at Marilyn Shirley's home. Eleanor Wheeler will help coordinate the picnic arrangements.

Starting 14 June, the junior members will meet on Monday at Marilyn Shirley's for stamps (10-12 am) and swim (noon-2 pm). Bring lunches.

After a brief intermission, Paul Petersen presented an informative and well received slide show on his collection of Irish 1922 overprints.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

## LANCOPEX 2003

*by Paul Petersen*

Lancopex 2003 was a great success, with a large number of attendees. The dealers were pleased with the business they conducted, and many noted that for next year's show they would like another Saturday of teeming rain. USPS was busy for two days, the special show cachets and cancellations almost sold out, and the Youth Table was usually hopping. There was plenty of free philatelic literature and enough door prizes for a drawing almost every half hour.



**James Boyles**, won the Von Hake Pennsylvania Historical Society Award and the Postal History Society award.

Several LCPS members won awards for their exhibits. **Richard Colberg** won the Reserve Grand Award and the LCPS Award for his exhibit, "Baltimore Carrier Stamps." **Jim Boyles'** exhibit, "Post Offices of Lancaster County, PA," won the Von Hake Pennsylvania Historical Society Award. Jim also won the Postal History Society award for "Postmarks of Lancaster, PA, 1985-1899."

Other members also stood out. **Alistair Welch**, one of our junior members, received a Bronze Ribbon and won the Novice Award for his "Famous Americans and Places." **Marlene Gentzler** won a Silver Ribbon and the J. P. Harris Junior Award for her mentored exhibit, "The American Revolution." That exhibit came about through Marlene's decision to volunteer at Hinkeltown Mennonite School. For the three months prior to Lancopex, Marlene and the

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## EXHIBITS AND AWARDS

by Eleanor Wheeler

There were 14 exhibits at LANCOPEX 2003. The exhibitors, their exhibits and the awards are as follows:

**Richard Coleberg:**  
"Baltimore Carrier Stamps"—  
Gold, Reserve Grand Award

**James Boyles:**  
"Post Offices of Lancaster County, PA"—  
Gold, Von Hake Pennsylvania Historical Society Award

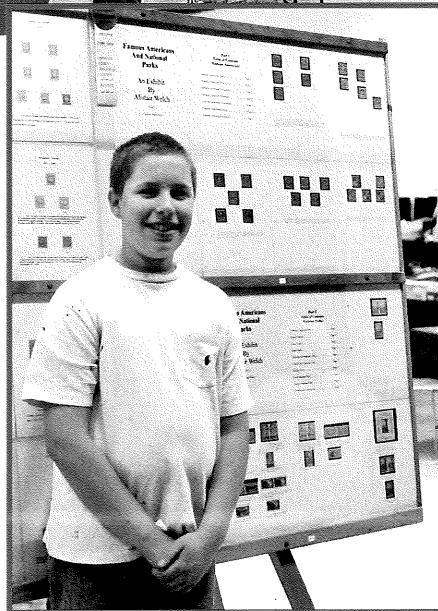
**James Boyles:**  
"Post Office Seals"—Gold

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"Postmarks of Lancaster PA 1785-1899"—  
Gold, Postal Historical Society

**Gordon Miller:** "Stamps of the Azores"—Gold

**John Huffnagel:** "Private Vending Coins of the US"  
Gold, BIA Award

**Bill Shultz:**  
"Early PA. Post Offices"—  
Silver



**Alistair Welch**, received a **Bronze Ribbon** and won the **Novice Award**.

of last year's new members, **Diane Meek**, a middle school art teacher, plans to start a club at her school next fall.

This show could not have taken place without the dedicated leadership of **Jim Boyles** and his co-chair, **Dick Shaefer**. Jim and Dick had excellent help from their committee members: **Lucy Eyster**—Publicity; **Eleanor Wheeler**—Awards; **Truyde Greiner**—Junior Table; **Donna Devine**—Program; **Ben Heller**—Hospitality & Snacks; and **Peter Billis**—Hospitality & Transportation. In addition, there was help from many club members who assisted in the set-up and take-down of the show and in the work in between.

Overall, a great show. Attendance was high and included many youngsters. Several members won awards; dealers were pleased, and, most important, everyone had a great time.

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teacher with whom she worked helped prepare an exhibit related to the American Revolution. Marlene described how students took part in every aspect of the project, including the research and production of the exhibit frames. Most of the work was done on their own time, outside of class.

"The other teachers were as amazed as I was," she reported, and they want to continue this work next year.

I met with many in attendance, some of whom had traveled quite a distance for the show. A principal from a Christian school brought a group of students from Stamp Club that he had started. And one



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## STAMP SHOW COMMENTS

by Eleanor & Dick Wheeler

*Eleanor & Dick Wheeler spent much of Saturday and Sunday talking to dealers and patrons at LANCOPEX 2003. What follows are some of the comments they received on the show:*

*"Great venue. Excellent lighting. Good crowd. Local show committee does a great job and everyone is friendly and helpful. Three young people to assist with unloading was a wonderful idea..." (dealer)*

*"I have come to your show for the last three years. Your show is great! I wish we had a stamp club in Binghamton, NY. Keep up the good work."*

*"My family likes coming to the stamp show. This is a nice building to have a stamp show. Our son likes the kid's table."*

*"Great venue. Room and lobby. Lunch for dealers this year a great plus—suggest 'make the rounds' for AM/PM coffee and sodas. Announce more about Exhibits/Winners/Judges. Suggest exhibitors stay with their exhibits for 30 minutes or so (Sunday) for questions. ...overall Great!"*

*"Very good variety of stamps and materials to pursue and or purchase. Dealers most cooperative, friendly and helpful. Great location, space and parking."*

*"I think this place has a variety of stamps and collectors. The collectors are very kind." (young collector)*

*"...re (actually all) club members should exhibit. Great response for help this year. many thanks for the great job everyone did."*

*"My wife and I have setup at the Lancaster show for many years. The committee always does a fine job. Lancopex has always been a good show!" (dealer)*

## EXHIBITS AND AWARDS

by Eleanor Wheeler

**Marlene Gentzler:**

"The American Revolution"—Silver, AAPE Award, J. P. Harris Junior Award

**Eleanor Steeb:**

"Everybody Must Get Stoned"—Silver, AAPE Award, Topical Award

**Robert Jensen:**

"Hungarian Aerogrammes"—Silver

**Richard Coleberg:**

"The Express Company Envelopes of Mexico"—Silver

**Glenn Blauch:**

"Covers—Correspondence from the Jonas Knoll Washing Machine Company"—Bronze

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"PA Postmarks"—Bronze

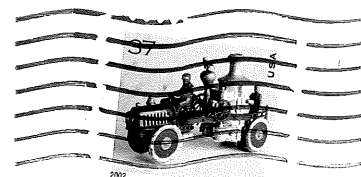
**Alistair Welch:**

"Famous Americans and Places"—Bronze, Novice Award

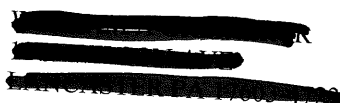
Our congratulations to the exhibitors—and special thanks to our young exhibitor, **Alistair Welch**, and to **Marlene Gentzler** for her mentored exhibit.



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**June Meeting**—The June meeting will be held at the **Community Center**, at 7:00 pm on June 11<sup>th</sup>. The program is an auction, and all members are invited to offer items for sale. Members offering items are urged to arrive early in order to arrange and display their materials. The auction will not begin until 7:30 to allow members time to inspect the materials.



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## Phil-a-telling Around

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### New Newsletter—

This is the first issue of the new Lancaster County Philatelic Society Newsletter. The members who will be preparing the Newsletter are:

**Bill Snyder**—*Editor*

**Eleanor Wheeler**—*Reporter*

**Dick Wheeler**—*Reporter*

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**T&D Design, Inc.**—*Publisher*

Collectively, we hope to provide you with a monthly newsletter that reflects the many diverse activities and interests of our members.

Each newsletter will announce the details of the next society meeting as well as a summary of the

activities of the meeting just concluded. We also hope to include one or more feature articles each month, highlighting items that are of interest to our diverse membership. To do so, however, we need the help of all of you—in the form of notes, letters, articles, suggestions, and even complaints!

The deadline for submitting material is the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Items can be sent to the editor or to either of the reporters by mail, by email, or by telephone:

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