

PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF LANCASTER COUNTY  
 POST OFFICE BOX 982  
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MEETINGS - 2nd Wednesday of each month  
 STAUFFER MANSION at 7:30 P. M.  
 1241 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601  
Next Meeting - Wednesday, MAY 13, 1992

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The Post Office could reap thrice the profits it could hope for from the release of one Elvis stamp. After all, wasn't financial gain the reason for selecting Elvis to be honored in the first place?

-- Jim Lyman

Editor's Note: How do you feel about the opinion offered above? If you have thoughts on this subject or on the club or philately in general, express them in the FORUM. This is where members' voices will be heard. Sound off!

THE THREE FACES OF ELVIS

The Post Office has garnered much publicity with the contest to determine which Elvis should appear on a commemorative stamp. The public is urged to vote - which requires a 19¢ stamp for the privilege. Better that the public had the opportunity to vote whether they wanted an Elvis stamp to begin with.

However, since it is a foregone conclusion that we will have one, like it or not, I propose the following: Let us have a triptych of Presley. The left panel portraying the young Elvis, brash, lean light-of-foot, exuding energy. The center panel depicting the mature Elvis, heavy through the middle, gyrations studied and forced, his life style taking its toll of his considerable talent. The right panel presenting Elvis near the end, fat, dissipated, drug ridden, hardly someone deserving of fan idolization, a role model for our youth, a standard to which those entertainers to follow would strive to emulate.



Co-Hostesses for May will be Sarah Brown and Marilyn Shirley. Refreshments will be beer and pretzels. After much persuasion, Sarah and Marilyn were prevailed upon to make it Root Beer. Sorry guys \*/#%!!

M A Y P R O G R A M

The MAY Program will be an auction. Members may submit up to five lots. Five percent of each winning bid will be paid to the club treasurer by the owner of the lot, thus benefiting the club. Your auction material need not be stamps. Old albums, with or without stamps, stockbooks, mounts, etc. are always useful to members. So gather your unneeded stamps, mixtures, covers, etc. and turn them into cash. You might see an item or two needed for your collection in the club auction.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF THE JUNE PROGRAM

An escorted tour of the main post office in Lancaster, located on Harrisburg Pike, by Postmaster Patrick Donohoe will be the program. Complete details will appear in the June newsletter. Remember to keep this date open -- Wednesday, June 10, 1992. BRING A FRIEND ALONG.



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

The following collectors have joined the L.C.P.S. We are DELIGHTED to have you join us and look forward to your presence at future meetings and L.C.P.S. functions.

DR. RICHARD K. CHAMBERS  
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Strasburg, PA 17579  
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(Richard saves First Day Covers and U.S. Plate Blocks)

Mr. Nguyen Dai  
506 E. Conestoga Street  
New Holland, PA 17557  
Telephone 354-0490  
(Nguyen collects United States and World Wide)

MR. JAMES E. FIKE  
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Millersville, PA 17551  
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(Jim's interest involves Russian Stamps and First Day Covers of U.S.)



ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL LANCOPEX!

As this issue of the newsletter is being prepared, final results of LANCOPEX '92 are still filtering in. At this time, all we can say is that the show was an unqualified success. Some quick observations:

-- It seemed everyone pitched in this year. There were enough volunteers to set-up, tear-down, and man the booths in shifts. Everyone who participated deserves a vote of thanks.

-- Jim Boyles and Dick Schaefer were on hand before the Mall opened and were still there long after it closed. Special recognition should go to them for their dedication to LANCOPEX '92.

-- The Junior Division, under the guidance of Truyde and Bill Greiner, was a resounding success. Young people milled around their table, sometimes three deep, throughout the show. Many members contributed to the fine showing of the Junior program; however, special recognition is in order for DR. HERBERT TINDELL who provided a large carton of packaged stamps for distribution to the junior collectors. LESLEY AND RICHARD BOTTE contributed many albums, stock books and binders which were highly prized by the youngsters and all were gone the first day. TRUYDE AND BILL GREINER donated a beau coup amount of loose stamps from their own collections which they conveniently divided into U.S., Canada and General Foreign.

While the juniors were eagerly pouring over the goodies set before them, some of the adult collectors were hovering around trying to get some of the action. Dan Anspach was seen shuffling up to the table on his knees with a couple of ten year olds as his cover. Remind me to ask him how he made out!

AUCTION ITEMS DONATED BY HARRY WALTON  
TO BENEFIT THE L.C.P.S.

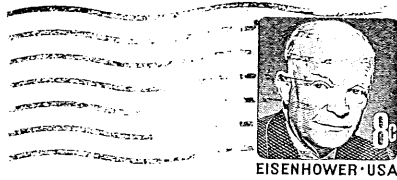
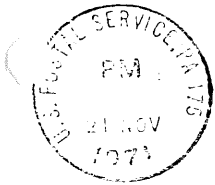


Lots include Christmas Seals, Wildlife Stamps, many Miscellaneous Seals, New York World Fair Seals, plus --

Mounts  
Gibson Color Gauge  
Magnifier  
1983 Scotts Catalog Vol. 1-4  
1976 Scotts Complete  
1961 Stanley Gibson  
1935 International album

and more - including about 8 boxes (1000's) of cut corners with stamp postmarks - 1960's - 1970's - 1980's, some earlier, some later.

COME EARLY AND INSPECT THESE LOTS.



(Sample of Boxed Lots)  
Scott's #1402 on cut corner  
with complete postmark.



Bill Carroll is now recuperating at home. Anyone wanting to get in touch with him, his present address is -- 10 East Petersburg Road, Lancaster, PA 17601. His telephone number is 569-2525.

Bill is improving and hopefully one of these months he will surprise us by attending our meeting. We all look forward o that day, Bill.

TO: Lancaster County Philatelic Society

I was so pleased at the Memorial you made in honor of Bob to the American Philatelic Society library fund.

The pleasure Bob derived from collecting stamps and Lancaster County postal history and the friendships he made with members of the Lancaster County Philatelic Society I am sure contributed to his staying young far beyond his years.

I know this tribute would have pleased Bob too, thank you all so much.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Robert H. Goodell

(Editor's note: - Bob Goodell served as one of the judges at our very first LANCOPEX Show, April 19-20, 1988).

Chuckle For The Month

Being human, doctors are reluctant to make house calls where receipt of payment is doubtful. Under these circumstances, a physician diagnosed a patient's illness on the phone.

"There is nothing wrong with your uncle. I have examined him thoroughly, and I tell you he only thinks he's sick."

A week later the doctor met the patient's nephew. "How's your uncle?" he asked.

"Worse," said the relative. "Now he thinks he's dead."

-- AAA Magazine

# Our Staff

## Some Reflections on LANCOPEX '92

1. Heretofore, five or six ballots were cast to determine the best exhibit in the show. At LANCOPEX '92, I picked up the ballot-sized papers and walked up to passersby who had enough interest to stop and look at the exhibits. I handed them a slip of paper and asked them to write down the number of the exhibit that most appealed to them. Immediately, they became more critical, really looking this time. Most seemed pleased to be involved. I suggest we have a member approach the people stopping at the exhibits throughout the day and evening and solicit their vote. In a short time, I had over fifty responses.
2. There should be two best-of-show awards. One for senior(adult) exhibitors and one for Junior presenters.
3. Any exhibit that has received an award should thereafter be shown in a non-competitive category in the following years.

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### IRONIC, ISN'T IT?

America is the only country where it takes more brains to make out the income tax return than it does to make the income!

### PROPOSED NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

The Newsletter Staff has decided to print ten issues instead of the current twelve per calendar year. We will be omitting February, when half the staff is away, and July which is a traditionally busy month with family get-togethers and vacations.

Copies of the June and October 1991 issues of the Newsletter are needed to complete our files. If anyone has these issues and is willing to donate them, please give them to Marilyn Shirley at the May meeting.

