



MEETINGS, 2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
TIME: 7:30 P.M.
LANCASTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CENTER
Columbia Ave., Lancaster, PA

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Next Meeting - Wed., April 8, 1998

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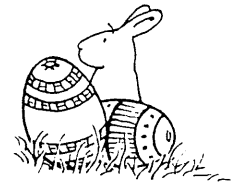
Thank you to all who responded so promptly to the dues notice in the last issue of "Phil-a-Telling Around". Your cooperation enabled us to update our present membership list. The list will be handed out at our April meeting. Those not attending the meeting will have a list mailed to them. Check your directory for changes of address and telephone numbers.

Congressman Joe Pitts has consented to visit our LANCOPEX show on Saturday, May 2, 1998 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. We are happy to have him as a special guest.

Attendance at club meetings has been very encouraging. The club seems to have an "upbeat" attitude and the officers are most appreciative of your continued interest in LCPS. Bring a friend with you. We will give you the club's "Official Stamp of Approval" when you enroll a new member. LUCY EYSTER, our Membership Chairperson, is doing such a fine job, we need to assist her, lest she gets a case of "chairperson burn-out".

Marilyn Shirley, Pres.

APRIL HOST



Anyone notice the smoke billowing in the air around Willow Street? Well, that is from the kitchen of DICK DUDLEY. DICK has removed his chef's hat from the shelf, tapped the flour dust from its top and is firing up the oven in preparation for cookie baking. We can't wait, DICK, as we know your second hobby is culinary arts.

APRIL PROGRAM

The program for the April meeting will be our annual "Lick and Stick" session where we get everyone involved in mailing notices about the upcoming LANCOPEX show.

TOO LATE, SMART!

In this year of Our Lord, 1998, we are celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Lancaster Philatelic Society. There is no charter member left to tell of its birth, but when 60 years ago is mentioned, I become autobiographical and start to recall what I was doing back then. I was no longer sending dimes and pennies to stamp approval companies. My time was occupied with studies for my final year at Vanderbilt University and working at Radio Station WSM in the afternoons and evenings. Also at the age of 22, I found girls more interesting than adhesives. They were in superb condition and their perfs were well rounded. Their only fault was that they didn't want to be cancelled.

What if I, or you, back then had spent a bit of time buying what we today call Classics? I decided to do some research and with the aid of the TRUDY GREINER FOUNDATION, I gathered the information I needed - it was all in a 1937 Scott Catalog. If you are not made ill by munching on the noshes I will offer you at the April meeting, you will certainly feel a pang of remorse from what I am about to show you. How happy and richer you would be, if you had bought the following at 1937 prices and held them until today.

The British Guiana 1 penny magenta was still expensive back then, cataloged at \$50,000, used - no mint copy ever found. Today's prices if you have to ask, you are not a Rockefeller or a Dupont. You would have done well, had you obtained a loan and purchased the Sweden 3 shilling yellow error for \$9,000 in 1937. In 1996 it sold at auction for \$2,270,000. An upside Jenny listed at \$3,750 in 1937 sold for \$198,000 in 1982. It cost 3 cents to mail a letter, still in 1937.

Phil A. Tellie

#	1937		1998	
	mint	used	mint	used
USA				
#1	40	9	5,000	600
#2	150	30	2,600	1,400
#3	10	?	800	?
#4	12	?	1,000	?
BRAZIL				
#1	50	17.50	2,250	550
#2	60	10	600	225
#3	150	40	2,750	1,150
GREAT BRITAIN				
#1	20	150	3,000	180
#2	60	5	5,750	300
#3	4	6	7,500	400
#110	125	20	11,000	900
ICELAND				
#1	9	15	1,100	2,100
#4	8	10	1,500	2,000
BERMUDA				
#1	2500		125,000	
#2	2500		175,000	
#9	300		72,000	
#40	54	32.08	615.75	
SWITZERLAND				
#1	50	35	2,500	1,600
#2	50	30	2,250	1,300
#3	60	40	5,250	2,500
#4		328		22,500
1L1	500	300	18,500	1,600
1L2	125	40	6,000	1,500

EDITOR'S NOTES & COMMENTS

LUCY EYSTER is searching for information on the history of our Club. Would those of you who have been here for a while, please search through the warehouse of your memory and send what tidbits you come up with to LUCY or give it to her at a meeting. I have a suspicion she intends to write an article for our monthly letter.

And speaking of articles, we need some from you for our letter. Pick up your pen and see what a creative mind you have. Keep us informed about yourself. We would like to know if you discover a priceless error or have a hangnail.

Our President has obtained a promise from Congressman Joe Pitts to appear at the Stamp Show, Saturday, May 2, 1998. He will sign programs and maybe we can get him to become a LCPS collector. He will welcome your "hello".



If you do not believe in yourself, then don't blame others for having no faith in you.

- Anonymous

Mary Husson and Marilyn Shirley are collectors of Russian Stamps and would be willing to purchase any duplicates you might have that they need to fill those empty spaces. Bring your coptic dupes to the next meeting, or any meeting thereafter.



We are happy to welcome BEATRICE KILLOUGH as our latest member. She collects Art on Stamps and knows Phil A. Tellie personally.



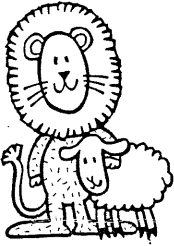
Why is it that, after a membership list is typed, proofed and printed, on occasion a member is missed. Well, that is what happened to DONNA DEVINE. We extend our apologies and ask everyone to add DONNA's name to their listing.

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RANDOM THOUGHTS

An exchange of ideas and intelligence is a discussion, but an exchange of ignorance is an argument.

- Anonymous



The lion and the lamb shall lie down together - but the lamb won't get much sleep.

- Woody Allen

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