



The Overprint

The Newsletter of the Reading Stamp Collectors' Club

Stan Raugh, Editor

August 2018

Most meetings held the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Berkshire Commons, 5485 Perkiomen Avenue (Route 422).
Turn North on Lincoln opposite of the Dairy Queen, then proceed 300 feet and turn left onto Washington and look right of center at the stop sign.

Tuesday, August 7th at 7:00 p.m.

“Banking in Pawling, N. Y. : In the Village and Surrounding Townships 1849-1929”

...Presented by Dr. Charles J. DiComo
of the Philatelic Society of Lancaster County
Dr. DiComo is a world class philatelist. You will recall his excellent presentation last year
be sure to clear your calendar for this program!

PAWLING NEW YORK



Our August presentation will center on the town of Pawling, N. Y., which is located in Dutchess County. Dutchess County can be seen in the southeastern part of the state in the map above.

The town of Pawling was named after Catherine Pauling. A misprint caused the "u" to be read as a "w." According to the flawless reporting on the internet, the first resident in the area was Nathan Birdsall. He was one of the surveyors and picked out a spot for himself around 1720.

The town was founded in 1780. Our program covers the time period 1849-1929.

Both our July and August programs will be presented by a physician. A stamp program a month is just what Doctor Stan prescribes! (O. K., I'm just a newsletter editor—but it sounds nice!)

JULY DRAWINGS:

Rod Reeder's name was chosen in the attendance drawing for July but was not present (sorry!). In August the jackpot will be \$10.

Jim Savage won \$20 in the 50/50.

The Magical History Procure

Well, the Beatles had the Magical Mystery Tour. But our officers are looking to magically procure artifacts to document the history of our club.

Anything you have that sheds light on the history of the club, especially cached show covers not currently known to us; old newsletters, especially those more than six or eight years old; show programs or correspondence, etc., may be of use. Contact Mike Bach, Mike Matus or Roy Baardsen about what you have and are willing to share.

Those members who receive the internet version of the newsletter get Mike's Page as a bonus. Mike Bach adds in extra information including items for sale. If we had to print all the extra information, dues would be a fortune, but internet distribution is basically free once basic costs are covered. A new service is being added—

WANTED DEAD (USED) OR ALIVE (MINT)

List your philatelic needs and reach a wide audience--and pay only a 10% buyer fee to help build the club. Remember, our newsletter goes to many clubs.

Contact Mike for details. Mbach1@comcast.net

MIKE'S PAGES

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Current Account : \$ 2,601.18

CD : \$ 3,015.61

Cash : 61.00

Attendance Drawing : \$ 10.00

FUTURE MEETINGS: 2018

Reading Stamp Collectors Club

August 7th: "Banking in Pawling NY. In the Village and Surrounding Townships 1849-1929"
Presenter: Dr Charles J. DiComo PSLC

Sept. 4th : Fall Auction

Philatelic Society of Lancaster County

August 8th: Summer Picnic – Memorial Park
Millersville 6:00 pm Start

Sept. 13th : Fall Auction

Capital City Philatelic Society

Since 1925

FALL STAMP SHOW & BOURSE

Lower Swatara Firehouse

1350 Fulling Mill Rd., Middletown, PA 17057

Sunday, September 9, 2018, 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Directions: From I-81: Take I-83 South to I-283 (to Airport/Turnpike), then I-283 East toward Lancaster. Get off Union Street Exit, turn left onto **north Union Street**. At Fulling Mill Rd., turn left, continue to Firehouse. **From the west**, take I-83 North to I-283 (Airport/Turnpike), then continue to follow the above. Use MAPQUEST or similar program for alternate routes.

*Dealers--stamps, covers & postcards *Philatelic supplies, hinges, tongs, mounts, albums *Bid Board during show times *FREE stamps for youths—our effort to get young people interested in collecting stamps!

***EASY Parking! *FREE Admission!**

Bring a friend—Come on in and look around—Ask questions—Enjoy!

MARKET PLACE

No items sent in to be displayed.

Email what you want sold to mbach1@comcast.net and I will put them in next
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ALSO

RSCC offers a service if you want to downsize you collection.

WE have a relationship with Dutch Country Auction and our executive members can assist
in getting your collect to them for Auction

Email or Call Roy for assistance: Roykb@comcast.net or 610-927-3435

WANTED DEAD (USED) OR ALIVE (MINT)

Roy Baardsen is trying to find the following:



Norway 1943: Scott 261-266

10o, 15o, 20o, 30o, 40o and 60o

With overprint "LONDON 17-5-43"

Email Roy at roykb@comcast.net

Mike Bach is seeking:



Central African Republic: Scott 972

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Email Mike at mbach1@comcast.net

The Stamp That Almost Started a War



Don't be fooled by its size. A tiny little stamp can cause big trouble. Case in point: This stamp issued by Nicaragua in 1937. Not uncommonly, the stamp featured a map of the country, but it included a large section of land also claimed by neighboring Honduras. Ownership of the region had long been in dispute between the two countries and remained a source of great contention. In 1906, King Alfonso XIII of Spain decided the matter in favor of Honduras, but Nicaragua refused to acknowledge the decision. Tensions grew in the following years, so when Nicaragua released the stamp in 1937, Hondurans were outraged. Government officials, newspapers, and radio stations demanded the stamps be recalled and destroyed. Nicaraguan authorities, however, refused and insisted the map was correct. They also pointed out that they had the courtesy to label the area on the stamp as *territorio en litigio*. Regardless, in a matter of weeks, anti-Nicaraguan demonstrations erupted in the Honduran capital of Tegucigalpa. Across the border, Nicaraguan radio announcers called for military action, demanding the national army be sent to guard the border region. The public even began a donation drive designed to fund more planes to build up the Nicaraguan Air Force.

At the last minute, the United States, Costa Rica, and Venezuela intervened to defuse the conflict before it escalated into war. Both countries agreed to withdraw their armed forces from the disputed area and stop mobilizing troops. And, naturally, the peace agreement called for withdrawing the offending stamps. They evidently remained in circulation, however, until supplies in private hands ran out. The example shown was postmarked in 1941—four years after their forced recall.