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Enjoying postcards through education and entertainment.

Next Meeting: March 15, 2021 **CANCELLED**

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FEBRUARY MEETING CANCELLED

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Hello all.

This has been a busy time for the Club Board and I regarding when we start meeting again. A survey of the Board and myself resulted in 5 people being ok to meet in April and 2 desiring to wait for more vaccines. Based on that and barring any downturn with covid cases the Club will start meeting on April 19. I know this is a month later than March as had been mentioned but the vaccine shortage delayed things.

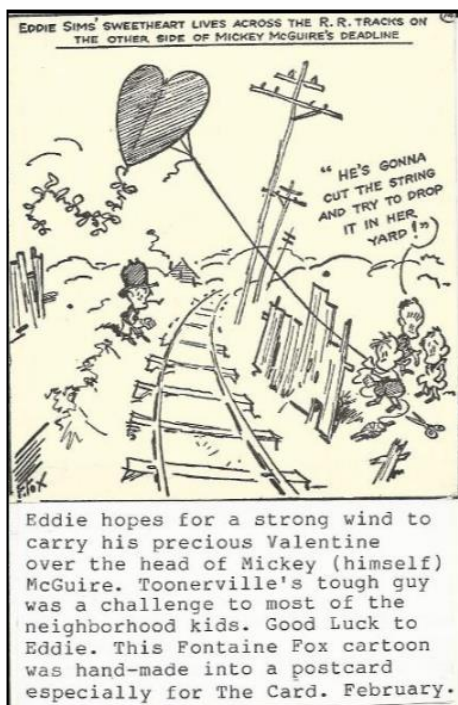
For the meetings we will require masks, social distancing and have hand sanitizer available. There will be seats for 35 people and 5 tables for selling postcards.

Mark Arbogast



FROM THE EDITOR

Oops – in the February issue I cut what I thought was an explanation from a postcard to enlarge both to see them better. I was wrong. It was one card. Below is now it was to be seen.



THE MONTH OF MARCH

March is here again, but did it ever leave? Yes, March 2021 marks a year since the COVID-19 pandemic took over our lives. March is known for one thing above all others: brackets. March Madness, as the NCAA calls it, runs from March 14 to April 5 this year. March was actually named for the Latin *Martius*—aka Mars, the Roman god of war and a mythical ancestor of the Roman people via his sons, Romulus and Remus. The March equinox occurs on March 20 at 5:37 A.M. EDT this year, ushering in the spring season in the Northern Hemisphere.

March 8 - International Women's Day

March 14 - Daylight Saving Time starts at 2:00 A.M.

March 15 - Ides of March

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day

March 20 - The March equinox occurs on March 20 at 5:37 A.M. EDT this year, ushering in the spring season in the Northern Hemisphere

March 27 - Passover begins at sundown

March 28 - Palm Sunday

March 29-31 - Know as Borrowing Days

LCPC 2021 PROGRAMS

April - Mark Arbogast - "The Trolley to Pequea"

Dates to be determined:

Jean Schopf - "National Parks/ Yellowstone."

Bud Heim - "Another of Bud's Train Shows"

Members Market

Brian Frankhouser

2021 POSTCARD COMPETITION SUBJECTS

April – Continental Cards

May – National Parks

June – Baseball

July – Homemade Cards

August - Make a Expo Board

September – Large Letter Cards

October – Horse Drawn Vehicles

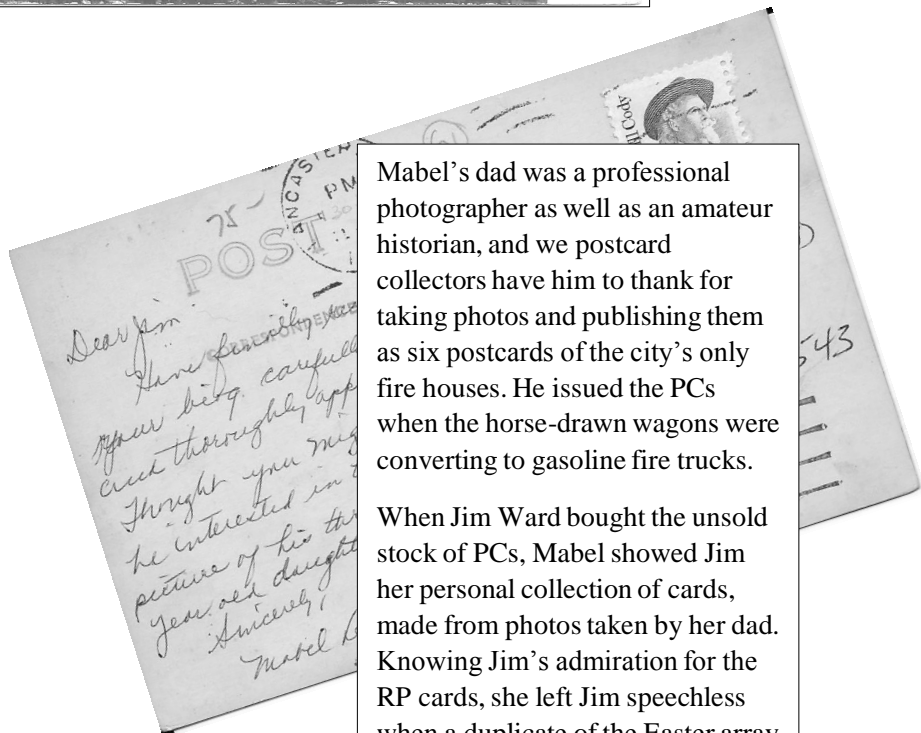
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EASTER RABBITS

By Jim Ward

What must little Mabel Lynch be thinking as she looks over the huge array of Easter bunnies and eggs that are ALL hers? Mabel grew up in a modest row home in Cabbage Hill. When I met her in 1991, she was retired from library work but was volunteering to show visitors around Lancaster Center City, concentrating on its history.



Mabel's dad was a professional photographer as well as an amateur historian, and we postcard collectors have him to thank for taking photos and publishing them as six postcards of the city's only fire houses. He issued the PCs when the horse-drawn wagons were converting to gasoline fire trucks.

When Jim Ward bought the unsold stock of PCs, Mabel showed Jim her personal collection of cards, made from photos taken by her dad. Knowing Jim's admiration for the RP cards, she left Jim speechless when a duplicate of the Easter array came through the mail two days later – with no damage.

On the top left, a chromolithograph Easter card also survived the mails. It came from Leipzig, Germany, and arrived in NYC on April 14, 1898.

Our two remaining cards are by Whitney from the 1930s.

Then, there is our monthly hand-made postcard. It features the Toonerville Trolley and the Skipper who evidently could use a pair of specs.



Here's some more upright rabbits for you to enjoy. Let's hope "The Skipper" doesn't fire on them! Maybe all the music will scare him away!

