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FROM THE PRESIDENT

ATTENDANCE FIGURES, 2006

As you are all aware, in 2005 we initiated a sign-in sheet for our Wednesday night meetings. So that no members think this request was in vain, I have compiled the following statistics as simple as they might seem.

Attendance was recorded at all of our Wednesday night meetings except for the picnic in August. At the start of 2005 our membership list included 83 names, both active and inactive. In September 2005 we updated our membership list to account for members who did not pay their dues or did not respond to our inquiries as to their interest in remaining members of the LCPS. This resulted in a new official count of 65 members. These numbers provide a baseline from which we can judge the overall health and vitality of LCPS. Through the year we had a total attendance of 370 (members, juniors, and guests). September had the lowest attendance at 24; December the highest at 50. On average, 33 people attended our Wednesday night meetings. Overall, 50 different members were present at one or more meetings.

In my estimations, these numbers speak well for the Society, its members and officers. The sign-in sheets were also a good way to check on members who might otherwise be overlooked when missing. I hope this gives everyone an understanding of the dynamics of our club and spurs us to continue to make the Lancaster County Philatelic Society a success. Keep the trend going and attend as many meetings as possible!

Respectfully—Lou DiFelice

OFFICERS FOR 2006:

President.....Lou DiFelice (295-5536)
V-President.....Bob Nobel (626-0709)
Secretary.....Eleanor Wheeler (892-1547)
Treasurer.....Bill Greiner (394-0879)

PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR 2006

I am pleased to inform all members that we have finalized a program schedule for the remainder of our 2006 club year. We have commitments from outside speakers to present programs on Classic US Covers, on Liberia, and on Germany. Two club members have agreed to present program on Local Postal History and on WW II Postcards. Past president Paul Petersen has graciously offered to help prepare slides for upcoming presentations and is working with me on several APS programs, which we are considering for use later in the year. Any club member who feels they have a topic or collecting interest which they would like to share with the club--I encourage you to do so. A 10-15 minute presentation could be worked into a meeting so that a topic of particular interest to you may enlighten us and add to our understanding of philately as a group.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Informal Meeting</u>
8 February	WW II Postcards/ Al Schaub	Dick Shaefer	02/23
8 March	Lick & Stick for LANCOPEX	Bill & Truyde Greiner	03/23
12 April	Classic US Covers/ Bob Swed	Dick & Eleanor Wheeler	04/27
10 May	2d Auction	Bob & Hira Allen	05/25
14 June	Liberia/ Kent Weaver	Host Needed!	06/22
12 July	Germany/ Rev. John Miller	Paul Petersen	07/27
9 August	Club Picnic		08/24
13 September	Lancaster Postal History/Jim Boyles	Host Needed!	09/28
11 October	3d Auction	Host Needed!	10/26
8 November	APS Slide Presentation	Dick Colberg	No Meeting
13 December	Christmas Party		No Meeting

Minutes, LCPS Meeting, 11 January 2006

President Lou DiFelice called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. Lou welcomed all the members and commended past leaders for their jobs well done and said he hoped to carry on the tradition.

We had two guests at our meeting, Patricia Wise and Brian Wagner.

William Greiner presented the treasurers reports for November and December. As of 12/13/2005, our balance was \$3,340.22. As of 1/11/2006 the balance is \$3,346.75. A motion was made and second to accept the report as given.

Old Business: Chuck Kilgore reported on the bus trip to Washington, DC; so far three people have signed up. If he is going to have to cancel the bus, the decision will be made in our April meeting. The trip is scheduled for Thursday, June 1, 2006. Flyers are available for people wanting more information. AC Moore is the Lancaster pick-up location and the cost is \$20.00. Dick and Jim handed information out in York and there were people receptive to the invitation.

Dues for 2006 are due: \$10.00 for an adult and \$5.00 for junior members. Our goal is to have everyone paid by our meeting in February.

A host list was passed around for people to sign up to bring snacks for a meeting. An attendance paper was also distributed for everyone to sign. Lou will be compiling what he has noted from previous signed attendance sheets and giving us a report on his findings.

Al Shaub announced that International Collectibles is raising the discount on the sale of stamps to 15% and 5% of the amount will be donated to our local club. The sale runs from January through April. Al will bring stamps to the Stamp Swap nights and club meetings if you will contact him with your interests.

Jim Boyles asked if anyone was interested in doing an exhibit at our Spring show. See Jim for info.

Thursday, January 26th @7p.m. is our Stamp Swap at Grace Baptist Church of Lancaster, 1899 Marietta Avenue,.

Bob Allen is going to Indonesia at the end of this month and will look for current stamps from that area if you're interested.

Patsy Harsh was tonight's \$5 winner.

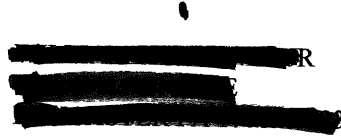
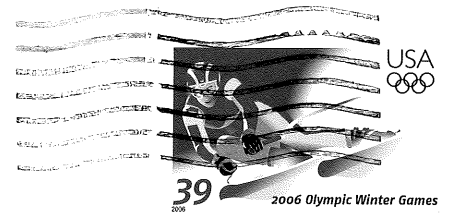
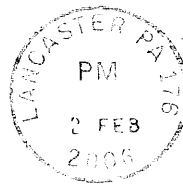
Jim Boyles ran the auction with Paul Petersen assisting.

Our next regular meeting is February 8, 2006. See you there!

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Dianne Meek, Recorder



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Stamp shows—Lehigh Valley Stamp Expo. Allentown. 10 am- 4 pm,
Merchant's Square Antique Mall, 610-261-0633.
Greater York Stamp Fair, 10 am-4 pm, February 5, Commonwealth Fire
Company, 2045 North Sherman Street, 717-382-4632.
Hagerpex Stamp Show, Hagerstown, 9:30 am- 4:30 pm, 1718 Underpass
Way, 301-714-1423.