

PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF LANCASTER COUNTY  
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LANCASTER, PA 17603

MEETINGS - 2nd Wednesday of each month  
STAUFFER MANSION at 7:30 P.M.  
1241 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601  
Next Meeting-Wednesday, APRIL 8, 1992

For information about our organization  
call Marilyn Shirley at (717) 872-2479  
or Michael Shirley at (717) 394-0186

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LancopeX '92

STAMP SHOW

April 25-26, 1992

THIS IS IT!!! SHOW TIME!!!

LANCOPEX '92 is approaching like a summer thunderstorm! This year the show is held at the BOSCOV MALL at PARK CITY. It features exhibits that will be judged and awarded prizes -- several tables with regional stamp dealers -- and a children's table. The local Post Office will have a stand where show covers may be cancelled. The best part is that it will be FREE.

April Program

The program for the April Meeting will be a "hands-on" workshop for the upcoming LANCOPEX STAMP SHOW. There are many items to be completed in preparation for the show. Please make a special effort to attend the meeting and lend a hand.

The club is to be congratulated on the excellence of past stamp shows and this show will be just as successful with the overall help and prevailing enthusiasm of each member of the club.



## MINUTES FROM MARCH MEETING

With the passing of Robert Goodell last month, Membership #9 has been retired.

The club currently has 46 very active members. Each member is assigned a "Club Membership" number. This number is used mainly when bidding at auctions. The longer you have been a member of the L.C.P.S., the lower your number.

At the present time, there are four L.C.P.S. members with numbers below 100. These members are -- Jim Boyles, #24A, Pip Wilcox, #31A, Bill Carroll #58 and Dave Strayer #79. These "fabulous four" have been known to hold many positions in our club in the past, including such positions as president, secretary, club auctioneer, publicity chairman, general chairman of the stamp show (LANCOPEX) and many other prominent positions.

It is men like these four members that stimulates interest in our club and promotes progress, interest and growth. Their spirit of genuine cooperation and teamwork are unsurpassed. Our hats are off to each one of them!

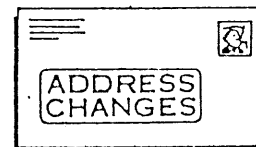
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A special THANK YOU is extended to Truyde and Bill Greiner for their delicious refreshments provided for last month's meeting. The assortment of oatmeal, chocolate chip and molasses cookies were appreciated by the club.

PLEASE NOTE: WE ARE NOT SURE WHO IS THE HOSTESS FOR THIS MONTH'S MEETING. PLEASE CALL MARILYN SHIRLEY IF YOU ARE THE HOST OR HOSTESS. (717) 872-2479.

The March meeting began with stamp show business. All members present attached address labels and stamps onto the postcards announcing LANCOPEX '92. Jim Boyles showed us the new design for the show awards. L.C.P.S. ordered 100 of these medals that will be attached to the awards. The club discussed and approved the additional purchase of 50 of a larger size medal (to be used for the more important awards.)

The meeting was not all business, however, as Leslie Botte entertained us with some of her stamp games. Our knowledge of U.S., philately was tested with a "pop quiz". (Luckily I won't have to hand in my results to the "teacher"). Then we had a second quiz pertaining to the geographic locations of ten small countries. Boy, talk about tough trivia! Finally, we closed the meeting with several rounds of "Stamp Bingo". Thank you, Leslie, for leading us in stamp games and providing us with philatelic prizes.



We have a new address reported for Stanley Longenecker. Please make the following change on your membership list.

STANLEY LONGENECKER  
P.O. BOX 7244  
LANCASTER, PA 17604-7244

Thanks, Stan, for keeping the club up-to-date on your address change. We really appreciate it.

## WORST TOPICAL CONTEST

I know many of you are topical collectors. It is one way for a world-wide collector to limit his interests and yet he may still collect from many different countries.

The problem lies in what topic to choose. Sometimes the answer comes almost immediately, when the philatelist is just a beginner. For example, when I started collecting stamps, I was amazed that several different countries could get together and issue stamps with a common design. Thus my interest in Europa stamps was born. Many times the subject of a topical collection is another hobby or interest. A bird watcher is likely to collect bird stamps, a lover of classical music might collect composers, and even a die-hard philatelist with no other hobbies or interests can always collect stamps on stamps.

The contest, that I propose, is to find topical subjects that you (members or not) would least like to collect. The following list is examples from Central Michigan Philatelic Society's newsletter, "Stamp Hinge".

10. Outhouses.
9. Guys named Saddam.
8. Midget lady wrestlers.
7. People with bloody noses.
6. Olympic belly-bumping.
5. Chinese Elvis impersonators.
4. Roadkill.
3. Transsexual skydiving accountants.
2. Parrots dressed up in tuxedos.
1. Stamp dealers with tape on their glasses.

If you have such a topic in mind, write it down and send it to Marilyn Shirley, 19 Circle Rd., Millersville, PA 17551 or bring it to the April meeting. If the response is great enough, we will make a list of entries and members can vote on the best (or rather least popular) topical subject at the May meeting. Maybe we can even scrounge up a prize!



Volunteer

Truyde and Bill Greiner are head of the Junior Table for the stamp show. They will be needing some help on Saturday, so please sign up with them if you can be available sometime that day.



We are planning to make up a humorous display board entitled "HOW A NON-COLLECTOR MIGHT INTERPRET PHILATELIC TERMS". If you have any rib-tickling ideas for this board, please bring them along to the stamp meeting. All you members with a dry wit, let's see you bring forth an abundance of ideas!!!



Have any extra recent issue United States stamps? Pat Rineer of LANCASTER STAMP AND COIN will buy the 22¢ and later stamps for face value plus 10% or better. Although Pat is well stocked with most of the earlier stamps, bring them in and trade for stamps missing in your collection. And remember, TELL PAT THAT YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE L.C.P.S. AND RECEIVE A DISCOUNT ON ALL PURCHASED ITEMS.

