

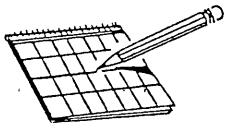
MEETING -- 2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
STAUFFER MANSION -- 7:30 P.M.
1241 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601
NEXT MEETING -- Wednesday, March 10, 1993

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From the President

I've been trying to decide what I would like to do in my exhibit for our stamp show. Decisions like--content, which stamps to show, how much info to tell, should I pick one issue to study or do a general overview, etc. I'm looking forward to Dick Colberg's presentation at our March meeting.

Recently I had a problem looking for a stamp booklet in the Stamps, Etc catalog. I don't know what's wrong lately with this new catalog, but it sure is irritating. Some months a certain stamp is listed and other months not. I liked the other catalog better. This new one seems to have gotten worse for the collector who wants to order from it. They will definitely hear from me! Anyway, all that aside, hope to see you all at the next meeting. As always, friends and fellow collectors are welcome.

Dan Anspach
President

HOST

for

MARCH

The "goodies" you will see on the table beside the coffee pot will be provided by RICHARD AND LESLEY BOTTE who are the March Meeting Hosts..

MARCH PROGRAM

Once again, DICK COLBERG has consented to instruct our club members on "How To Prepare An Exhibit For A Show" Dick writes a column for the Lancaster New Era every Tuesday on stamps.

For new members to the club, this is an important lecture if you are a first-time exhibitor. All you non-participants, this is your opportunity to be a "first-time exhibitor". This is what makes a show truly unique.



**WELCOME - MIRIAM
AND ADRIAN**

A special welcome is extended to MIRIAM ARMERDING AND ADRIAN MECK.

Miriam collects mainly United States, Canada and Panama, First Day Covers, Birds and Nature stamps.

Adrian collects United States, United Nations and the Vatican.

All members are requested to seek out these two people at our March meeting and introduce yourself to them.



Question: Why are there no stamps issued for Tristan Da Cunha between April 1961 and April 1963? (The answer can be found in another part of this newsletter).



The Smithsonian Institute is opening a POSTAL HISTORY SHOW in the old post office building in Washington D,C.in June 1993. It was suggested this might be a possible "extra curricular" activity for the club this summer. We could make this a club bus trip and pack a box lunch. Any ideas about this are welcome!

Our club has been informed Park City, Inc. plans to rent "Mall Center Carousels" to any small businesses desiring it. These are stands placed in the center of the walking area of the mall. This is the same area the club uses for our LANCOPEX exhibits.

The management cannot guarantee the space will be open for our club use. Therefore, the possibility of placing our exhibits in the side wings may be a reality. This is not desirable, but it may have to be done. We will not know until the last minute how much space will be available for our LANCOPEX exhibits.

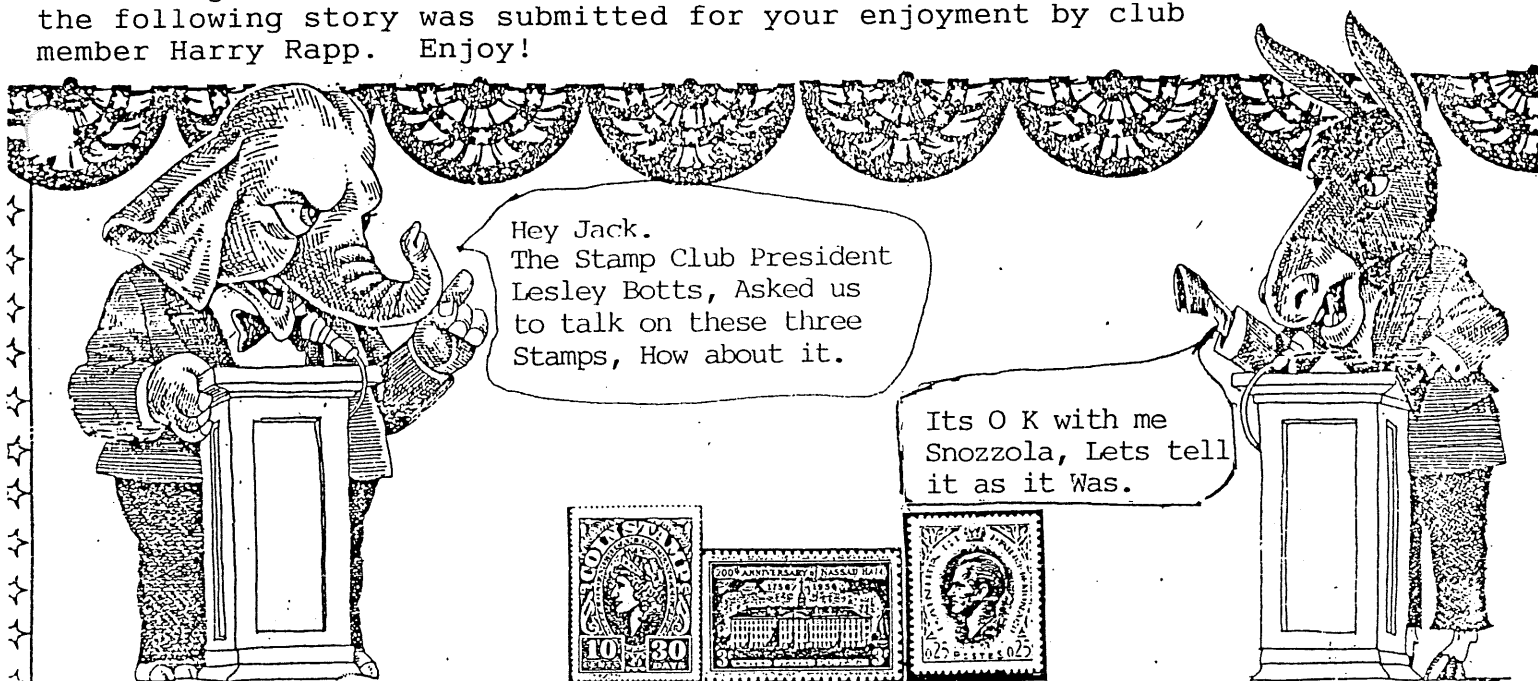
An appeal was made for help in setting up and tearing down the exhibits. Last year we had excellent response and hopefully that will be the case this year.



Members were asked to volunteer to be guards for the exhibits Saturday night and Sunday Morning. This would entail three 4-hour shifts. Ben Heller volunteered to take one shift. Anyone available for the other two shifts, please contact Jim Boyles. If we must hire guards for the evening, it will be quite expensive.

The Patrons' List was again passed around for signatures. If you wish to have your name on the list of patrons supporting the show, please send your \$5.00 check to Lucy Eyster, 1839 Rockford Lane, Lancaster, PA 17601. This donation must be sent immediately, as the programs will soon be going to press.

Continuing our story and stamp competition held last year the following story was submitted for your enjoyment by club member Harry Rapp. Enjoy!



November 11 MCMXC11

Madam President Botts:

Of the above three stamps shown, one is not a stamp. It is a label, printed by the old American Insurance Company. The other two are U.S. Postage Stamps.

First, in the early 10's, 20's and 30's, the company had a Life Insurance Policy for 5¢ and 10¢ a week. On the bottom left side of the label is a "10 cents"; on the right side is a "30 days". This is a reminder to the insurance man to collect 40¢ or 50¢, or 20¢ or 25¢ a month. On the other, the 30 means "be there every 30 days" to keep the policy in force.

Then came the fall of 1929, the bottom fell out of the Stock Market. With less money coming in the company had to find a cheaper rent -- So, a looking they went. There was an OLD beat-up building for rent or sale. So the old American Insurance Company rented a whole floor.

There was a young man who lived across the ocean. He came to America to buy a home for the summer. He saw the old run down building, saw its good points and bought it, for peanuts. It needed lots of fixing. This young man call himself Prince Rainier of Monaco. He also was looking

for a wife. He found a beautiful gal we forgot her name. Anyway, after all the fixing to the building was done (this was the last of 1953), guess what!

Along came an outfit called the Historical Society of Washington, D.C. stating the building was 200 years old. So, they had a 200th Anniversary of the building and named it the "Nassau Hall".

The Prince lost his home, and the old American Insurance Company lost their office space. With no place to go, the company went up the spout -- or kaput!

With tongue in cheek, we believe this to be the truth, as told to us by "THE RIPLEY BELIEVE IT OR KNOT". Address -- THE WHITE HOUSE, 007 Pennsylvania Street, Washingmachine, D.C. 00911.

Sincerely yours,

Pat. Pending

Member Number
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or 222.



The following members get the club's 'STAMP OF APPROVAL'. They have all achieved perfect attendance for the year 1992.

LESLEY BOTTE
JIM BOYLES
TRUYDE GREINER
DICK SHAEFER
DAVE STRAYER

A second category of attendance is the "Snowbird" category. These are the members that go to Florida, etc. for the winter. Those who achieve perfect attendance while in PA are:

JIM LYMAN

Congratulations to all these enthusiasts! Can we possibly reach EIGHT perfect attendance records next year! These members are our backbone and we are very proud of each one.

Answer: In October 1961 a volcano erupted on this 34-square mile South Atlantic Island. All the 200-300 inhabitants evacuated the island in plenty of time to a nearby island. It was not until a year later that Tristan Da Cunha slowly began its resettlement.

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