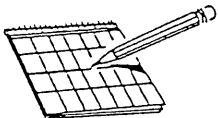




MEETINGS - 2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
STAUFFER MANSION - 7:30 P.M.
1241 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601
Next Meeting - Wed. APRIL 12, 1995

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From the President

We crossed the finish line of yet another stamp show in winning form! Despite the early start, and the several dealers that defected to a Virginia show, LANCOPEX was every bit as successful as all the other shows. In fact, in many ways it was the best show ever.

I really think that LCPS does a great service to philately and the general public with its annual show. It introduces some people to the hobby, re-introduces others to their "long lost friend" of philately, and is a source of great joy to the collectors seeking to broaden their knowledge and enhance their collections. We, as a club, have reason to be proud that we sponsor such an event.

Don't forget to rummage through your house for some of the extra stamps you have been hoarding! Even if you missed the deadline for listing your lots in the newsletter, you can still bring them to the April meeting. If you miss the April Auction, then you will have to wait until November for the only other auction this year!

Your Prez,

Mike



APRIL HOST

Our ardent SCOUT EXPÉRT DAVE STRAYER has volunteered to be our Host for the April Meeting.

APRIL PROGRAM

The program for April will be a 26-minute APS Slide Program entitled "CRISIS IN THE GULF". This presentation is dedicated to the U.S. and allied service people who restored peace to the Persian Gulf region during the Desert Shield and Desert Storm operations.

Following the Slide Presentation, we will hold our spring auction. Check your nooks and crannies for those philatelic items you no longer need.

TOPICAL COLLECTING, THE LATEST PASTIME FOR STAMP FANS

The day of the worldwide collector is long gone. With more than 10,000 new stamp issues each year and the total of all stamps ever issued hovering around the half-million mark, any daring soul wanting to mount a worldwide collection of postage stamps today should be loaded with money and time.

For those of us with fewer precious resources, there is specialization: Collect just a handful of favorite countries or a few topics of personal interest.

Topical collecting, in fact, continues to increase in popularity as a way of defining one's stamp collecting activities.

Whatever your fancy, there are probably stamps from around the world depicting that subject.

The American Topical Association (ATA), an organization of thousands of stamp collectors who assist each other in collecting by subject, publishes hundreds of lists of stamps depicting topics such as cats, dogs, birds, doctors, politicians, flags, trains, cars, ships and more. For information on available lists and ATA membership information, write to ATA, Box 630, Johnstown, PA 15907.

In addition to the ATA, there are numerous clubs that specialize in collecting a given topic on stamps. Here are details on a few that may interest you.

-- Sports Philatelists International, c/o Robert L. Mummert, 601 Greendale Road, York, PA 17403. Publishes the Journal of Sports Philately six times a year. Focus is on stamps that depict basketball, baseball, the Olympics and other sports-related topics.

-- Space Topics Study Group, c/o Bernice Scholl, Box 522579, Marathon Shores, FL 33052. Specializes in all stamps depicting astronauts, space flight and exploration. Publishes *Astrophile* bimonthly.

-- Collectors of Religion on Stamps, c/o Verna Shackleton, 208 East Circle Street, Appleton, WI. 54911 Publishes the *COROS Chronicle* journal six times each year. Group centers on religious themes such as the Bible, churches and cathedrals, Easter, Christmas, the Koran, missionaries, monks and prayer among dozens of others.

-- Lions International Stamp Club, c/o Dennis A. Clark, 8174 Electric Avenue, Vienna, VA 22182. Stamps that honor Lions International and its worldwide activities capture the attention of LISC members.

-- Rotary on Stamps, Box 333, Hanover, PA 17331. Collecting Rotarian stamp issues - more than 1,000 different from more than 100 countries. The *Rotary on Stamps Bulletin* is published about every other month.

-- Ships on Stamps Unit, c/o Robert P. Stuckert, 2750 Highway 21 East, Paint Lick, KY 40461. Boats, yachts, dinghies and, of course, ships on stamps signal a siren call for the SOS Unit. Publishes *Watercraft Philately* bimonthly.

-- Lighthouse Stamp Society, c/o Dalene Thomas, 8612 West Warren Lane, Lakewood, CO 80227. The *Beacon* is this club's bimonthly journal. Contact them if lighthouses brighten your stamp collection.

For information on other topical organizations not mentioned here, write the American Topical Association at the address shown above.

-- David V. Tilton
FT. MYERS NEWS-PRESS

LANCOPEX 1995 AWARD WINNERS



GRAND AWARD - John Hufnagel - The Kansas/Nebraska Overprints.

RESERVE GRAND AWARD - Richard Colberg - Great Britain - 4 Pence Surface-printed Issue, 1855-1880.

LCPS AWARD - Jim Boyles - Postal Markings of Lancaster County, PA (1800-1899).

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD - Jerry Laconis - MAXIMUM CARDS.

SILVER AWARD - Robert Jensen Hungarian Postal Cards.

BRONZE AWARD - Barbara Brown - Dinosaurs.

BRONZE AWARD - William Greiner - Exporta Stamps of Mexico.

JUNIOR AWARDS

JUNIOR AWARD AND H.E. HARRIS AWARD - Ben Apple - Sailing Ships

JUNIORS AWARD - Mary Menard - U.S. Flags.

JUNIOR PEOPLE'S CHOICE - Noel Jopson - Birds on Stamps.

BRONZE AWARDS TO THE FOLLOWING:

-- Paul Ascosi - Presidents of the U.S. on Stamps.

-- Corrie Christensen - Islands of the Caribbean.

-- Melissa Mrozek - Ships on U.S. Stampa

Medallions were awarded to the following members of the Lansdale 4-H Stamp Club

Juli Keller (age 8)
Jessica Keller (age 9)
Aaron Cassebeer (age 10)
Cassie Snyder (age 10)
Jimmy Keller (age 10)
Jennie Snyder (age 12)

Four new members have been added to our club Roster. Be sure and seek them out and introduce yourself to them at the next club meeting.

EILEEN B. DOUDNA

DICK DUDLEY

ERIC M. KLEINFELTER

RICK WAGNER



WELCOME BACK

It's good to see that HARRY RAPP is back attending meetings after his open heart surgery. HARRY had a tumor removed from his heart.



POEM FOR THE PERSONAL
COMPUTER OWNER

I have a spelling checker
It came with my PC;
It plainly marks four my revue
Mistakes I cannot sea.

I've run this poem threw it,
I'm sure your please too no.
It's letter perfect in it's weigh
My checker tolled me sew.

BEST EVER STAMP EXHIBIT BY L.C.P.S.

It was an excellent year for exhibits. There was a total of 21 Exhibits and Exhibitors of which 10 were Junior Exhibitors. There were 42 frames of beautiful stamps on display for the enjoyment of "Mr. I.Q. Public" along with interested philatelists of every age, color and description.

The Junior Table had a constant stream of kids, under the supervision of TRUYDE AND BILL GREINER AND BEN HELLER. One observer noted: "The only problem they noticed was every kid had 2 parents who wanted "freebies" also." This is a compliment to the JUNIOR TABLE COMMITTEE for their efforts to attract prospective collectors and enthusiasts..

The dealers who were running stamp tables all seemed to be doing well. We heard many compliments and few, if any, complaints.

The Post Office provided excellent cancellation service and KAY (postal philatelic department) offered the best of recently issued stamps at face value.

LUCY EYSTER and PETER BILLIS did a fine job on the Program and even made a couple of bucks from the advertisements.

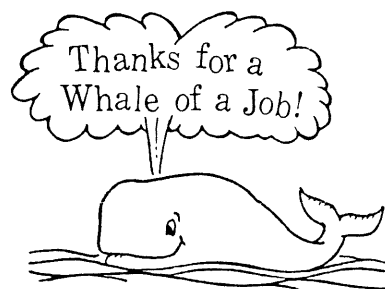
Sales of covers were brisk -- We are still receiving mail orders from Spain, Germany and, of course Hawaii.

The "set up" and "tear down" crew keeps improving and setting new records year by year.

All in all, the 10th Annual Exhibit was a huge success. Now that the frames are resting in their favorite

home (JIM'S GARAGE), it is time to think about Lancopex '96. But first, THANKS TO ALL WHO MADE LANCOPEX '95 ; BIG SUCCESS!

Jim Boyles and Dick Shaefer
Co-Chairmen, LANCOPEX



NEWSLETTER EDITOR RECEIVES SPECIAL AWARD FROM STAFF!

The staff of the "Philatelling Around" Newsletter has voted JIM LYMAN to receive the "STAMP OF APPROVAL" award for his ability to bounce back from his recent 5-artery heart bypass this past winter in Florida. Below is a few paragraphs from JIM'S recent letter.

"Each day I find myself doing more light household duties, drying dishes, setting and clearing table, straightening up, getting things for myself.

Received a clean bill of health from the Doctor who performed the surgery, yesterday. I walk 1.2 to 1.6 miles a day. Next week I intend to increase it to 1.8 to 2.4 miles. But it takes me 3 to 4 walks to do it.

We should be leaving Florida on Friday, May 5 and be in PA Sunday Afternoon, May 7th."

SPECIAL PREVIEW OF SOME STAMP ITEMS TO BE SOLD AT CLUB AUCTION

Minimum Bid

Consignment #79

1. 1 lot used U.N. singles, inser. blocks, meters.	N.M.
2 CANADA used 5¢(2), 6¢(3), 8¢(2)	.10
3. CANADA mint 54, 69, 84 65¢ Face	.65
4. Used 50¢ airmail, \$2.00 Robot, etc. - 200± stamps	N.M.
5. Misc Foreign, on and off paper	N.M.

Consignment #275

6. 1¢ U.S. Postal Cards - mint #UX 27 Lincoln (10)	1.00
7. 1¢ U.S. " " - " " " "	1.00
8. 1¢ U.S. " " - " #UX 23 Jefferson (10)	3.50
9. 1¢ U.S. " " - " " " "	3.50
10. 1¢ U.S. " " - " " " "	3.50
11. 1932 Cover - USS Pennsylvania	N.M.
12. 1919 Cover - World War I w/Special Delivery Stamp	N.M.
13. 1¢ U.S. Postal Reply Card - #UY 4 Sherman	N.M.
14. War-sealed cover (Liverpool, England to Callander, NB)	N.M.
15. Early 1900's Precancel U.S.#300 on postcard	N.M.
16. World War I (1919) Soldier's Mail Cover (FREE)-France	N.M.
17. 1940 Cover w/2¢ Harding stamp #610	N.M.

Consignment #260

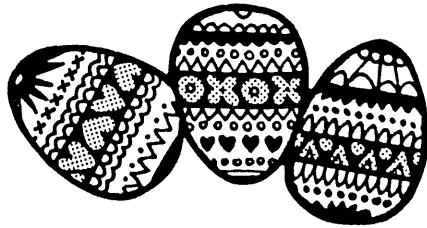
18. Bermuda #115-117-Corination - 1937 Mint	.40
19. Bermuda #272-275 350th Ann. Parliament - 1970 Mint	1.10
20. Bermuda #363-379 Tropical Birds 1928-9 N.H.	14.00
21. Bermuda #385-388 Police Centenary 1979 N.H.	1.25
22. Czechoslovakia - 504-6, 509-10, 836-8	N.M.

Consignment #225

23. Used China - over 300 stamps on 3 stock sheets	N.M.
24. Used Italy - over 250 stamps on 2 stock sheets	N.M.

NOTE:

N.M. -- No Minimum Bid Submitted



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