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MARCH MEETING

Former president Mark Arbogast called the meeting to order with 32 members signing in. Since this was a Member's Market, there was a short business meeting.

Jere Greider reported that, for the 2022 Expo, all contracts have been sent. Dick Pendergrast is accepting dues for this year.

The 50-50 \$10 prize was won by Ray Dennis. The door prizes went to Paul Smoker, a \$3 voucher and Bud Heim, a \$2.

The secretary's minutes were read with no additions or corrections. The treasurer reported that the club's balance was \$3,813.90.

In this month's board competition, the topic was "Advertising."

After the competition, members were invited to see the merchandise at the tables. Setting up for the Members' Market were Ray and Carol Dennis, Don Weit, Tom and Becky Schaum, Aaron Heckler, Gordon Smith, Paul and Judy Smoker, and Sue Sweeney.

Respectfully submitted, Betty Beck, Secretary

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Easter! Is spring really here? The signs of spring - daffodils, hyacinths and flowering trees are all around us even though the weather has certainly been crazy this month. Hope you can join us for another of Mark's interesting programs on April 18th. If you haven't paid your dues yet please plan to do it soon.

Susan Glass

**** MEMBERSHIP REMINDER – TIME TO PAY DUES**

It's March again and now is the time to pay your dues. Individual dues are \$15.00 or \$20.00 for two people residing at the same address. Dick Pendergrast will happily take your money at the meeting or you may send a check to:

Richard Pendergrast 950 Willow Valley Lakes Drive, I-506 Willow Street, PA 17584

FUTURE SHOWS

April 30/May 1 – Allentown Spring Paper Show, Allentown, PA, Sat. 9-5, Sun 9-3, Admission \$10

August 6 - Summer Chesapeake Postcard Show and Auction Havre de Grace Community Center, 100 Lagaret Ln., Havre de Grace, Md. 9 AM to 4 PM, \$3 admission.

MEMBERS NEWS

We extend our deepest sympathy to club member Robert Kramer whose wife, Carolyn, passed away on Saturday, March 19, 2022. The service will be held at a later date. To send an online condolence, visit: Workmanfuneralhomes.com.

APRIL PROGRAM

Join us as we view a presentation of early postcards of the trolley that ran from Lancaster city to Willow Street and Strasburg. Viewers will see a map of the trolley route and the surprising trolley route at Willow Street. The talk will include early views of the town of Strasburg, most from 1910 - 1930 era postcards. We will also hear information about the early part of the Strasburg Railroad and its depot at the east end of Strasburg.

The talk will be presented by Postcard Club member Mark W. Arbogast. Mark has an interest in local history and is also a postcard collector. Mark has authored other talks related to postcards such as "The Trolley To Pequea" and "Early Susquehanna River Views From Columbia To York Haven".



Strasburg postcard from 1911 showing a trolley and the fountain in the square.

2022 PROGRAMS

May – Paul Smoker, "Post Cards with postmarks from closed Lancaster County Post Offices" June - Bud Heim, 1913 Old Home Week in Columbia July - Picnic August - Expo September – Leighton Stover, Lebanon County October – Dede Schaeffer November – December – Holiday Party

MARCH POSTCARD COMPETITION

 First:
 Tom and Becky Schaum "Lancaster Supply Company""

 Second:
 Brian Frankhouser "Hind's Honey Almond Cream, Inland

 Chemical Co. in Lititz
 Third:

 Aaron Heckler "La Soleil Consenes Malines"

Honorable Mention: Maria Schurz "Ballot for Elvis stamp from the U.S. Post Office"; Paul Smoker "Lancaster Lincoln Mercury"; Jere Greider "Coca-Cola Truck White"; Annetta Buettner "Barney's Skate Co. 1"; Leighton Stover "Feather Delivery Wagon, New York"; Carol Dennis "Buster Brown Shoes, Norwell Co. Store, Boston, MA."

2022 POSTCARD COMPETITION SUBJECTS

April - Children May - Flowers June – Parade Bands July - Picnics August - Expo September – State Fairs October – Farm Animals November – Foreign



MASKS OFF – OR A BAD APRIL FOOL JOKE By Jim Ward

Let's all pray those masks of the last two plus years are off and thrown away. The COVID was no April Fool joke. Here are a few foolers from more than 100 years ago.

Top – 4 o'clock. This April Fool has missed his train, Because his watch was slow. And he goes splashing in the rain, Because he doesn't know, That if he had a ROCKFORD watch, He'd never miss a trick. The ROCKFORD is an honest watch. It doesn't miss a trick.TRUE TIME FOR A LIFE TIME.

Our second calendar page – April 1907 features Richard Outcault's Buster Brown, Mary Jane, and Tige on the J.N. Adams and Co. calendar.

Do you recognize the August Hutaf art on the top two postcards on the next page?







APRIL FOOLS FACTS

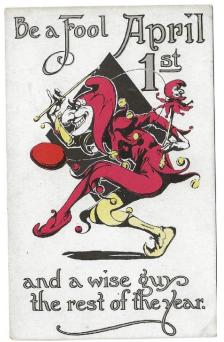
April Fools' Day is celebrated on April 1st each year as a day to play tricks and practical jokes on others. April Fools' Day has been has been celebrated for many centuries but its origins are not known for certain. Some believe it began in France after New Year's Day was changed from April 1st to January 1st in the year 1582, but others date it back centuries earlier. celebrated for many centuries but its origins are not known for certain.

The book *The Canterbury Tales*, written in 1392 by Geoffrey Chaucer, associated April 1st with foolishness.



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ARBOR DAY By Jim Ward

Recognizing our silent neighbors, trees, has been a pleasure the last Friday of April since 1872 when suggested by newspaper editor J. Sterling Morton. The Day was signed into law in each state in the 1920s. National Arbor Day is April 29. 2022. This year marks the 150th anniversary.

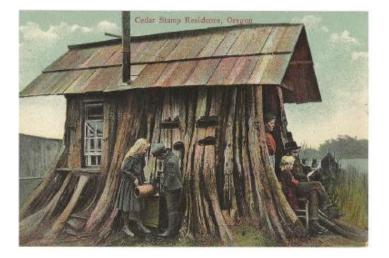
Our official intrepid postcard searcher came up with dozens of identified and unidentified specimens. And the winners are below. A German birthday wish; Santa watering two columnar conifers; and two old fellows who became a pleasure in a unique way. One, a 1930s treehouse and the other, the Cedar Stump Residence somewhere in Oregon. Enjoy trees! Plant one in someone's memory.







Through all the year, dear Santa tends his little trees, you know So by Christmas he can sendas All a big one from his row.



AIRPORT POSTCARDS By Paul Smoker

I collect airport postcards and have met other collectors at postcard shows who collect airport postcards.

Charles Lindbergh became the first pilot to cross the Atlantic Ocean. Then aviation became very popular. A lot of cities thought it would be a great idea to have an airport. They were very proud to have an airport, and would issue postcards of their airport.

Airports are no longer popular. Housing developments get closer to airports causing noise complaints. Most small aircraft still have to use leaded fuel. A couple of California Airports are trying to close their airports claiming children near their airports have higher lead levels. Airports have closed because the land is more valuable for shopping centers, high rise apartments, even a baseball stadium.

The local New Holland Airport closed in the 1980's and the runway is now a street called Runway Avenue.

Some airport postcard collectors look for postcards that show airline planes in front of the airport terminal. Other ideas are military airports, airports that have closed. Even airport interiors. You can look for airport postcards that early airmail pilots used. You can collect airports you have traveled through or airports from foreign countries.

There are three airport postcards that I know of in Lancaster Co. Two are of the Lancaster Airport on the Lititz Pike and an early view of the Smoketown Airport.







