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Monthly newsletter of the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club

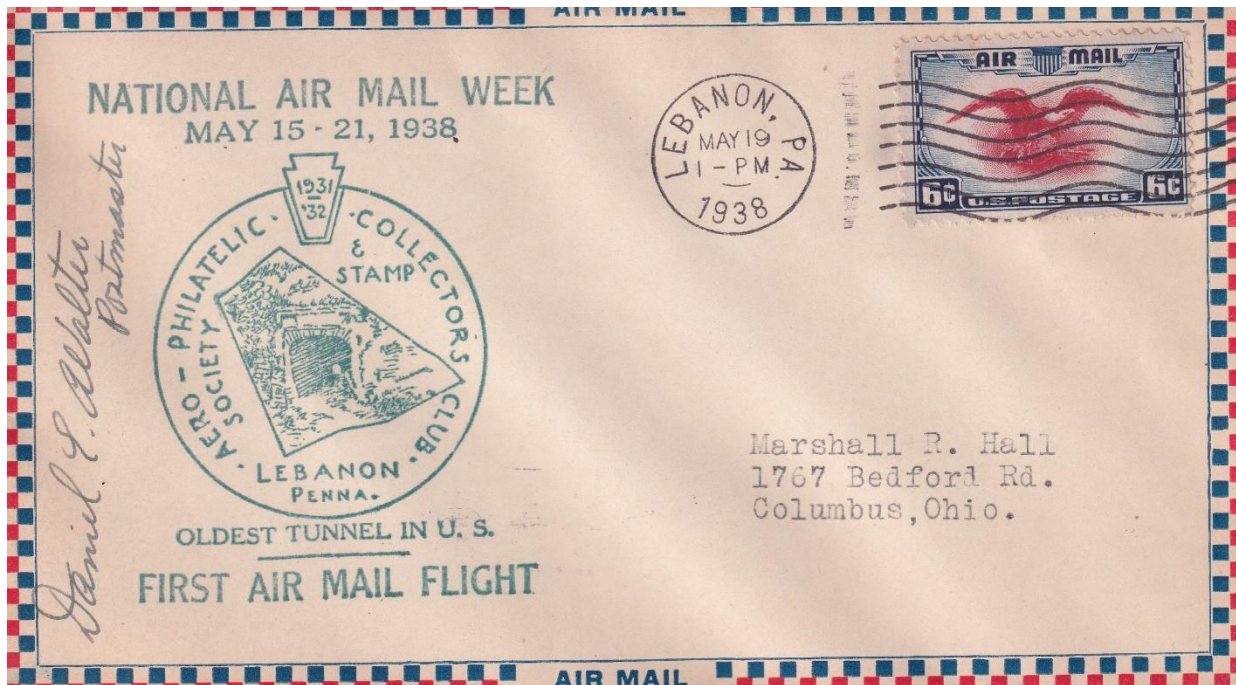
**April 2023  
Number 45**

The April meeting of the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, in the Community room of the Lebanon Community Library, located at 125 North 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Lebanon (17046). Please bring an item or two from your collection to share with the group, as there is no feature program planned for this month.

## National Airmail Week in Lebanon County



In last May's newsletter, we remembered National Airmail Week, which was held from May 15 – May 21, 1938. This cover design for LEBPEX '97 commemorated the event. Several of our local Post Offices participated in the national celebration, and on the following pages are some of the cachet designs that were flying around Lebanon County during that week almost 85 years ago . . . .

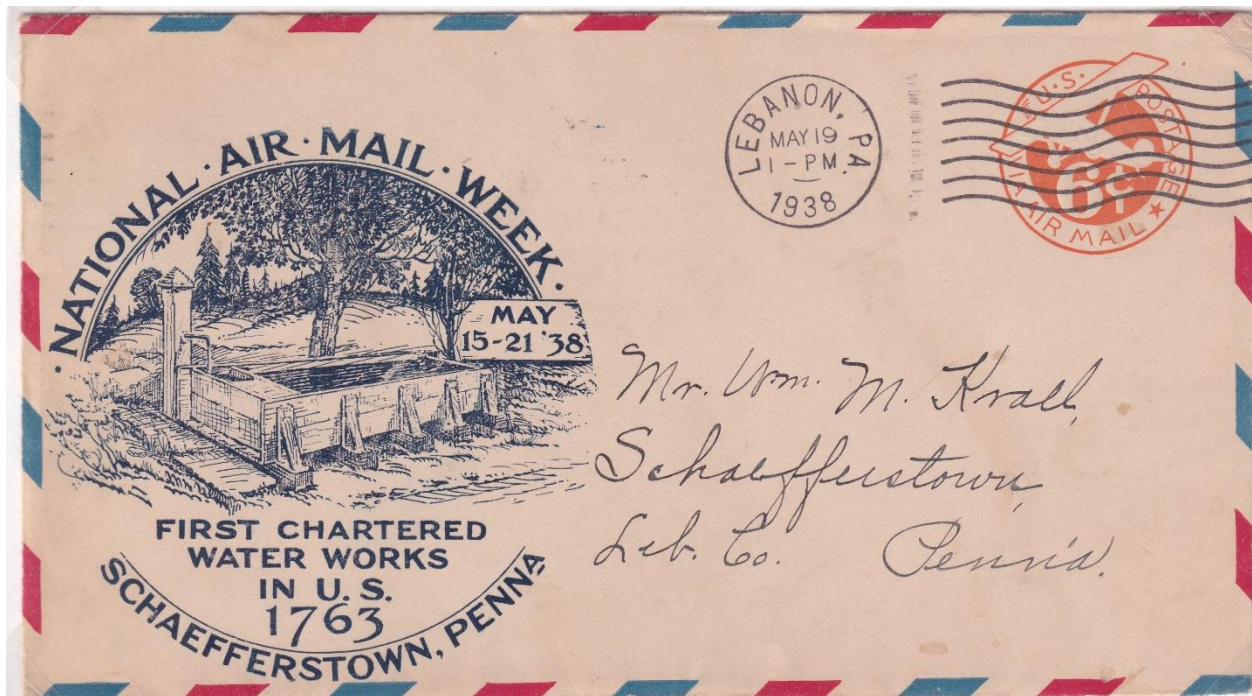


Lebanon's National Airmail Week cachet was designed by the Lebanon Aero-Philatelic Collectors Club, and featured one of the County's most famous landmarks, the Union Canal Tunnel.



Myerstown's cachet depicted a rendering of their most prominent historic landmark, the Isaac Meyer house.





Schaefferstown proudly depicted one of their most significant historical achievements on their National Airmail week cachet.

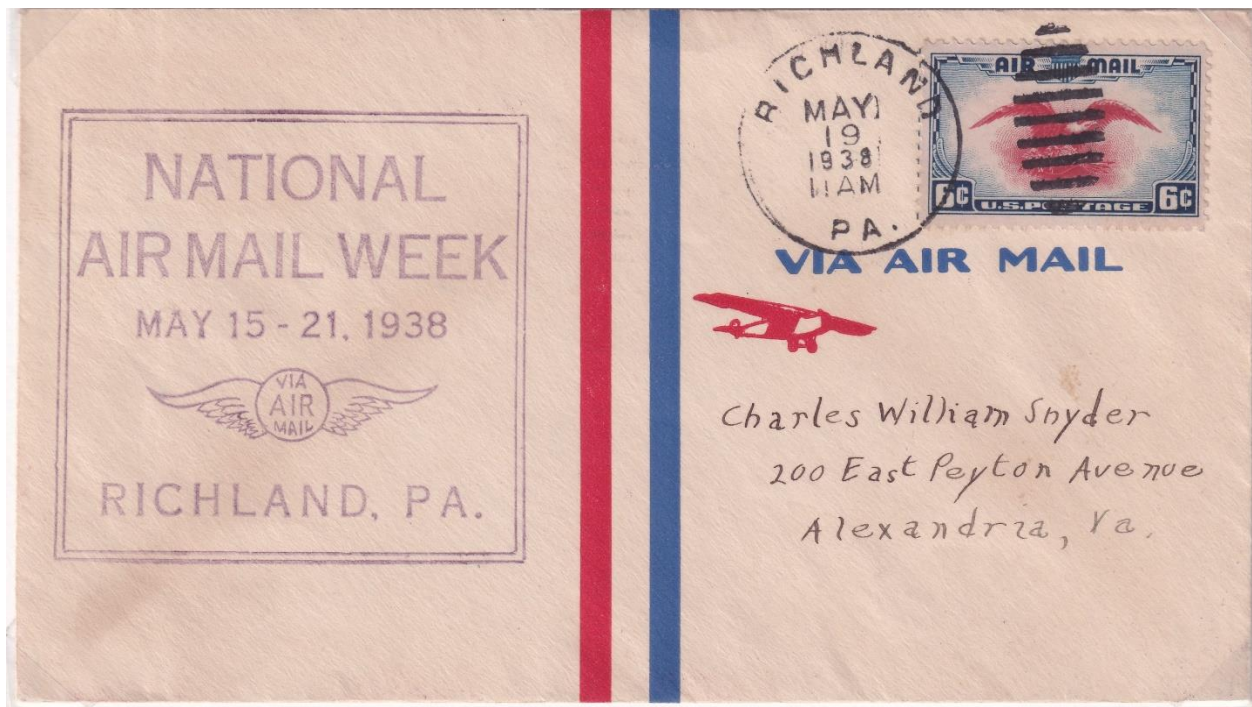


Palmyra paid tribute to their founder, Dr. John Palm.





Campbelltown utilized a uniform cachet, which incorporated a keystone and the capitol dome in Harrisburg. I use the term "uniform", for want of a better term, because you'll see this design again on a couple of the other cachets pictured.



Richland's cachet had wings! This also looks like it might have been a "uniform" cachet design.





Cornwall's busy cachet, signed by the pilot who flew the cover. This might have been the only time in the century of airmail service in the United States that a cover was sent from Cornwall to Lebanon, a distance of about five miles, via airmail!



Cornwall's next-door neighbor to the west, Quentin, used the "uniform" cachet. Without a pilot's signature, it's hard to prove that this cover was flown to its recipient in Cornwall.





Our neighbors to the south, Lancaster, incorporated their city's flower into the design of their cachet.



Harrisburg's design incorporates the familiar keystone and capitol dome.



And finally, a cover from Bethlehem, “The Christmas City of the U.S.A.” One week in the history of the United States Postal Service provided us with many interesting event covers to collect.

### **News from Europe, via electronic mail**

*France, April 14 – While we are in the middle of experiencing an early-spring heatwave of temperatures in the 80s, the situation in France is much different. Here’s an email from our club president, Dick Colberg:*

Hi,

This announcement I got today will keep me from attending my stamp club meeting in Bernay this Sunday. Apparently, as a cost cutting measure, they're turning off the heat in several municipal buildings (our club's included) effective today. Right now at 1:45 p.m. we've peaked out at 44 degrees F and some rain. Sunday won't be much of an improvement. Stamp club meetings just aren't the same when you're wearing a parka and gloves!

Regards,

Dick

(Forwarded message)

Bonjour

Je vous informe qu’à partir du 14 avril le chauffage sera coupé dans les différentes structures

municipales (maison des associations, maison de quartier du stade et du bourg-le-Comte.

PS : pas de petit chauffage d'appoint dans les maisons de quartiers pour palier aux fraicheurs matinales.

Merci de votre comprehension . . . .

### **Calendar of Events**

#### **2023 Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club Meetings**

Date	Presenter
April 18, 2023	
May 16, 2023	Scott English, APS President
June 20, 2023	
July 18, 2023	Summertime Show and Tell – Part I
August 15, 2023	Summertime Show and Tell – Part II
September 19, 2023	
October 17, 2023	
November 21, 2023	Scott Ney – The peak of post-Great War Hyperinflation in Germany and Eastern Europe
December 19, 2023	Annual dinner, location TBD

### **A weekend stamp show is coming up in Lancaster!**

April 28-29: **Lancaster Stamp Show** being held on Saturday & Sunday from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the Farm & Home Center of Lancaster County, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, PA 17601. Affiliated Dealers: K2 Stamps & Collectibles, George Papandreou, Doug McCullough, Frank Soder, Papatella's Stamps, Lesley Botte, Hugh Clark, Jack Houser, Bill Snyder & Jack Zerby. Table fee is \$120 for 8 feet "L's" (8" front & 8" side) with an 8" back table. Setup starts 8:00 AM. For more information, contact [Kevin Kellman](#) at [k2stamps@gmail.com](mailto:k2stamps@gmail.com)

**The PSLC Events Calendar is located at the following link:**

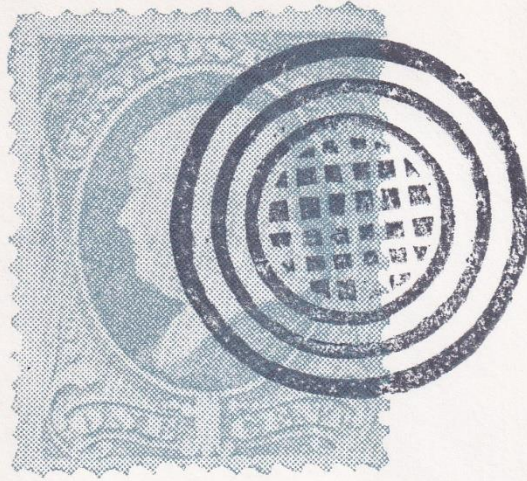
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