



Philatelic Society of Lancaster County

**The James Buchanan Chapter (#173) of the
American Philatelic Society
American Topical Association-Chapter 118
Website: <https://lcps-stamps.org>**

**2nd Wednesday/Month-Meet in Person at Landis Homes at 6:30 p.m.
4th Wednesday/Month-Meet Virtually at 6:15 p.m.**

The Veranda Chronicles

Once more we are on the cusp of the holiday season, one of my favorite times of the year, and many have said that “Thanksgiving is the start of eating season,” and I must agree. But as we start to hunker down for the long winter, this is a signal that as we give thanks and celebrate, we’ll also be dusting off the philatelic projects that we’ve been saving for just this time of inside activity. And speaking of gratefulness, the long-awaited General Election of 2024 is finally over, and for this, too I am most thankful.

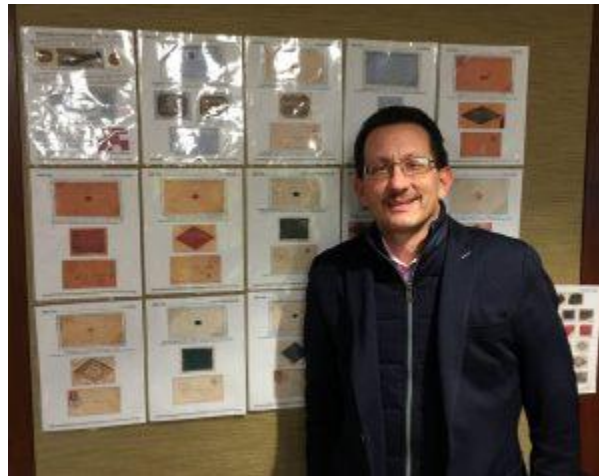
With great anticipation, I am awaiting the resumption of our Open House and One Frame Exhibit Night while not really believing that it has been five years since our last one in 2019. The plans for this week’s event look excellent, as much prep time has gone into it. And I’ve received several of your topical .pdfs for the projection of your exhibits; keep them coming. Also let me encourage you to invite your friends to join you at the Owl Hill Bistro prior to the meeting. At the meeting there will be something for everyone. We also anticipate some visitors from the rolls of Landis Homes, so when you see them, please make them feel welcome, as this is what PSLC does best and why we have such a large membership and successful society.

And later in the month, on the 27th, I am looking forward to bringing all of you my digital presentation entitled *The Elusive Double Transfer on the Ives & Judd Match Company U.S. Private Die Proprietary 1¢ Revenue Stamp RO120dt*. And with my love of philately and postal history I just recently had the opportunity to give a digital lecture to our friends in the Houston Philatelic Society entitled *Banking in the village of Pawling, New York and Surrounding Townships as told through Postal History, Bank Checks, Currency, Revenue Stamps, and Postal Cards: 1849-1929* (<https://lcps-stamps.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/2024-10-28-DICOMO-CHAS-Banking-In-Village-Of-Pawling-NY.pdf>). Having lived in that area, I was bitten by the bug of local

history research and realized that there is no better way to tell their story than by using my favorite collecting items. I have prepared a montage of this talk, which is presented on page 17 of this newsletter.

And before the end of the year there will be two 2-Day Stamp Shows at the Farm and Home Center courtesy of Kevin Kellman (K²). These will be Friday and Saturday, November 22nd and 23rd and Saturday/Sunday, December 21st and 22nd. As I communicate with my postal history friends around the country, they are quite envious that we have six shows a year just in Lancaster along with so many comparable and larger shows from an hour to a few hours' drive such as to APS and other major venues in the metropolitan areas surrounding us. Yes, Lancaster is a great place to be for both the holidays, stamp collecting, and just about everything else. Fall greetings, my friends, *Dr. Charles J. DiComo*

Upcoming Programs



Annual Open House and One Frame Exhibit Night PSLC Members

**13 November 2024
Landis Homes in Lititz**

Come join us for a night of several exhibits and short presentations by members positing some of their best research and collecting in a wide scope of stamps, covers, ephemera, and more. Len Kasper and Fred Sargent are promoting the event to the Lancaster Community and to the residents at Landis Homes, and Len is providing special snacks for the event. There may be an auction or two to go along with our usual cornucopia of a bourse, door prizes, and give-away items. No one should go away empty-handed. And as always you will be sent the menu from the Own Hill Bistro should you desire a great dinner ahead of the meeting with your collecting friends. If there are any of you who may still have a question or two on the exhibit part of this evening's

events, please contact Paul Petersen. Below are some useful instructions that Paul emailed to everyone at the end of October:

While PSLC calls its exhibit program "One-Page Exhibit Night," it is really "One or More Pages.." Members will put up their exhibit (one or more) on the wall. One goal is to get members to make up interesting exhibits, preferably but not necessarily to stand alone without verbal description. Exhibitors will have the opportunity to discuss their posted exhibits so that members can view the originals on the wall, as well as having their pages exhibited on the big screen. When we know more of each other's collecting interests, it becomes much easier to share (buy, sell, trade, or give) items and interests.

Remember, there are no rules for these exhibits on the 13th. That aside, for those interested, the formal and competitive aspect of one page exhibits follows for your information, as taught by Dick Osman. These rules are not required for our exhibition night. Here goes...

...A one page exhibit should tell a story and contain at least three different philatelic elements on the page. An element can be a stamp, postal card, cover, label, specific or auxiliary marking, and on and on. You want to tell a story by including both philatelic items and text. It can be a story of the philatelic items themselves or the story about a theme or topic using the items to illustrate the story. It is wide open.

Try to have at least three (3) different elements in your exhibit. Cinderellas and other related ephemera are also welcome. Philatelic elements include definitives & commemoratives, coils, revenues, joint issues, encased postage, souvenir sheets, plate blocks, postal stationary, errors, forgeries, covers, air mail etiquettes, cancellations, auxiliary markings, and almost everything else. Because these exhibits won't be judged, feel free to add related ephemera such as maps, letters, labels, and the kitchen sink as needed-as long as it fits on the page or pages.

Online Examples: On the link below are the exhibits of the 2023 One Page Online Exhibition by the American Topical Association (ATA). You'll see that ATA has few rules and no judging. The link below will take you to the 2023 "My One Page Exhibit" page. This event has gained traction and grown every year, and I will continue to send out the notices of the event to you as I receive them. Here you'll see examples of other collectors' exhibits organized by category. As you'll observe, they range from complex to low key in composition. Some have many elements, while others may have only stamps. It doesn't matter if it tells a story.

<https://americantopical.org/My-One-Page-Exhibit/>

The ATA program has been active for several years, and a perusal of these web pages may be helpful to give you ideas of formatting and more. Note also that several PSLC members participated in this 2023 online exhibit. One does not have to be an ATA member to participate. I circulated this link earlier in the year, but it is worth another look.

Text is very important in telling the story. Text may be hand printed in fine black ink or done on a computer or typewritten. Weave your text in and around your elements. Fill the page, but don't let it get crowded. If it is crowded, remove the text and/or item(s) that least contribute(s) to your story or create a second (or more) page(s).

Plan: Hard Copy-When you come to the meeting, your exhibit(s) will be taped to the wall, and other members will have the opportunity to view the originals of what you post. You'll be able to take a few minutes to discuss your exhibit(s) including the items, subject matter, and/or the process of preparing it.

The **paper size** for your exhibit proper should be the standard 8.5"x11", and these may be placed in plastic document holders, but they don't necessarily have to. The green tape used to attach your pages to the wall is removable, so there should be no damage to your original exhibit(s). Some exhibitors find that using paper a little thicker than the standard copy paper works better.

Digital submission-You may also send a PDF of your exhibit(s) to Dr. DiComo (charlesdico@gmail.com), and these will be projected on the big screen and you can talk about your images. You will have to email your PowerPoint to him in advance, as his laptop does not take a flash drive.

Any questions? Please contact Paul Petersen at 717.299.5640 or pcpetersen@comcast.net



**The Elusive Double Transfer on the Ives & Judd Match Company U.S. Private Die Proprietary One Cent Revenue Stamp RO120dt
27 November 2024**

Dr. Charles J. DiComo

Dr. DiComo will discuss the brief history of the Rag Hollow, Connecticut Match Factory proprietors, who operated from 1860 through to the 1880's, the various revenue stamps each

one issued, and the elusive double transfer found on the Ives & Judd Match Company revenue issued in 1882, the year prior to the tax on matches being lifted on July 1, 1883.



**Philatelic Society of Lancaster County Holiday Dinner
11 December 2024**

Where: Landis Homes, Large Conference room, first deck (where we often hold our Auction).

Times: Arrive at 6:30 p.m. EST or thereafter, with dinner (Self-serve buffet) to start at 7:00 p.m.

Tentative Menu: Fresh bread 'n rolls, Chicken Marsala, Sliced roast beef au jus, Risotto with asparagus, Vegetable Medley, Green Garden Salad with choice of dressings, Chocolate cake, Delicious Apple Pie, Coffee, Herbal Tea, Iced Water.

Cost: \$15 per person, paid at the door.

Nota Bene: There will be party favors, door-prizes, give-away items, and the Entertainment Committee is working up this year's plan. You don't want to miss it. It's our first catered December Dinner since 2019 at Woodcrest Villa's Garden Café.

December 25: No Meeting this Date. Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and Happy New Year – See you in 2025!

PSLC Calendar

Descriptions for many of these programs are found on the [PSLC website](#)

13 November 2024: PSLC One-Frame Open Exhibition. Members and Guests.

27 November 2024: The Elusive Double Transfer on the Ives & Judd Match Company U.S. Private Die Proprietary one cent revenue stamp RO120dt. Dr. Charles J. DiComo

11 December 2024: December Dinner. Venue and Time TBA

25 December: No meeting

2024 K2 Lancaster Stamp Shows: These are held at the Lancaster Farm and Home Center of Lancaster County, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster 17601. **The next show is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, November 22 - 23, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** Looking further ahead, the final show of 2024 is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, December 21 and 22.

For more info about the K2 Lancaster Stamp Shows, visit the [PSLC homepage](#), or contact Kevin Kellman at k2stamps@gmail.com or +1 (301) 524-9562.

New Monthly Show!
Set Aside These Dates! **9 am-4 pm**
Apr. 6, May 4, June 1, July 6, (No August)
Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Dec. 7
NE PA Stamp, Coin, & Collectable Show
St. Peter and Paul Church, Bernardine Hall
13 Hudson Road, Plains, PA 18705
(Wilkes-Barre Area)
Five minutes away from Mohegan Casino
Complimentary Coffee and Doughnuts
Buy and Sell Stamps & Collectables
Free Appraisals • Free Admission
Numerous Fine Dealers!
Tables Available
Contact for Information: Ward D. Wilcox
818-297-9393 / wardw911@gmail.com

The last NEPA Stamp, Coin, and Collectable show of 2024 is coming up on December 7th.

THE PRECANCELED BATTLESHIP REPORT

“The Chattanooga Medicine Co.”

Submitted by

Stanley E. Jones

Brandywine Valley Stamp Club

The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, TN., was established in 1879. The company has a rich history that is carefully documented by Charles David Head [1]. The company had a modest beginning on a muddy street in downtown Chattanooga. Later, an impressive factory was built at the foot of Lookout Mountain on the shore of the Tennessee River (Figure 1) to support the demand for its products. Head’s paper [1] details the founding of the company and follows its successful emergence from the nineteenth century as a competitive manufacturing and marketing force in the twentieth century. This paper also discusses the signature products that the company offered and the successful marketing strategies that it employed for these products.

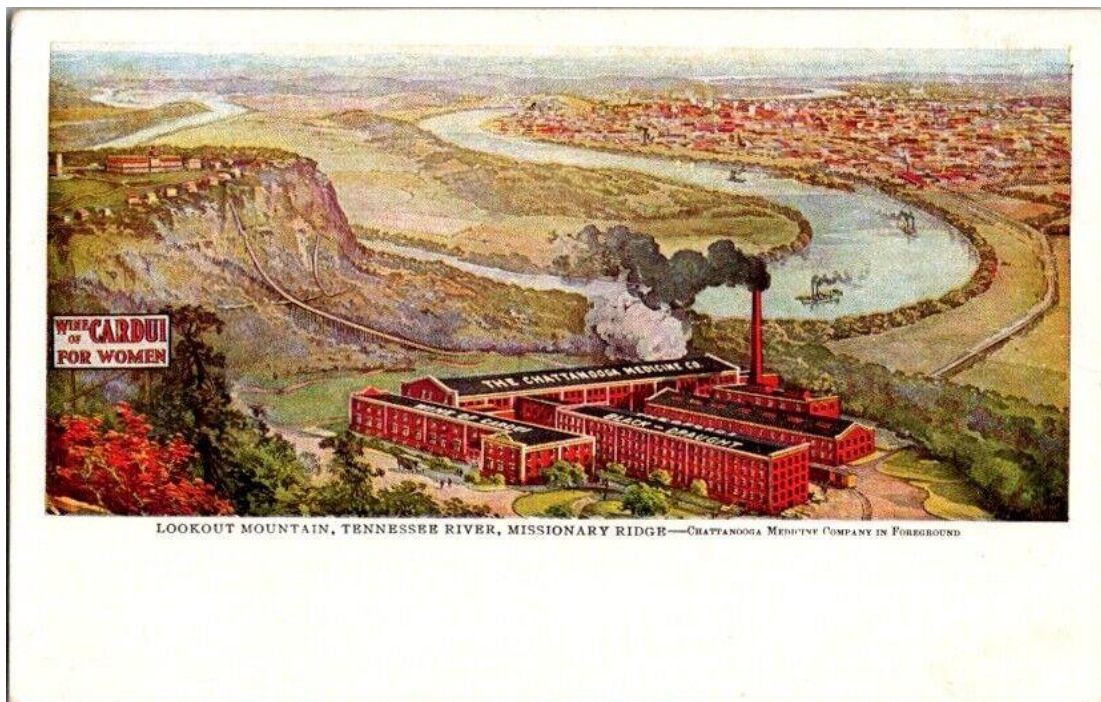


Figure 1. A postcard featuring The Chattanooga Medicine Company manufacturing facility located at the base of Lookout Mountain on the shore of the Tennessee River. This postcard is being offered by several EBAY dealers.

According to Chappell and Joyce [2], the company employed only one precancel type on 5/8-cent and 2 ½-cent Proprietary Battleship Revenues, RB 23 and RB 28. These precancels occur in red, black and dark blue ink. My collection only includes red precancels on 5/8-cent proprietary Battleships, Figure 2, and dark blue and black precancels on 2 ½-cent proprietary Battleships, Figures 3 and 4. It is often difficult to distinguish between the dark blue and black

inks that were used for the cancels. However, there appear to be at least two dark blue cancels in Figures 3 and 4.



Figure 2. Chattanooga Medicine Co. Red Precancels on RB 23, 5/8-cent Proprietary Battleship Revenue Stamp. The first two stamps on the top row are rouletted 5 ½, indicating usage early in the tax period. All remaining stamps are Hyphen-Hole perf 7, indicating usage later in the tax period. The first stamp on the second row has a torn corner, however it is still collectible in this venue.



Figure 3. Chattanooga Medicine Co. Precancels on RB 28. It is difficult to distinguish dark blue from black on these stamps. The precancel on the upper right stamp appears to be dark blue. All of these stamps are rouletted 5 1/2, indicating use early in the tax period.



Figure 4. Chattanooga Medicine Co. Precancels on RB 28, the 2 ½ cent Battleship Proprietary Revenue Stamp. All of these stamps are hyphen-hole perf 7, indicating use late in the tax period. The first stamp is canceled in dark blue; the others are canceled in black. The third stamp has a torn corner, but still deserves to be saved because it represents late usage in the tax period.

The products offered by the company include “McElree’s Wine of Cardui” (Wine for Women), Figures 1 and 5, and “Black Draught,” Figure 6. Wine of Cardui was aptly named as it was reported to have a high alcoholic content, reputed to be around 19%. The product was very popular and marketed to women for relief from menstrual disturbances. It is also described as “a harmless bitter wine.” With an alcoholic content that was this high, it is surprising that the product could pass the standards imposed by the Pure Food and Drug Act of 1906. I can find no reference as to when this elixir was discontinued, but it does not appear to be presently offered. Its alcoholic content may have led to its demise. However, “Black Draught” (Figure 6), with properties similar to Castor Oil, the other successful product offered by the company, continues to be offered today, (Figure 7).



Figure 5. An intact package and bottle of McElree's Wine of Cardui, National Museum of American History, Behring Center



Figure 6. An old box of "Black Draught" offered by an EBAY dealer.



Figure 7. "Black Draught," Lax-Senna Tablets are now manufactured by Lee Pharmaceuticals and sold by Amazon.com. for \$16.75.

The Chattanooga Medicine Co. was very active during World War II as the major supplier of ammonia and K-Rations to our troops. After the war, the company demonstrated its versatility by expanding its product line to include several new items: Pamprin, Flex-All, pHisoderm, and Norwich Aspirin. The company continues to prosper today under the name of

Chattem, Inc. Head [1] points out in his article that the Chattanooga Medicine Co. was one of the first to recognize the value of outdoor advertising. Head [1] also reports that the company even made deals with farmers to replace the roofs on barns or sheds in exchange for painting advertising on the sides of these buildings. Some of this advertising survives today, a tribute to the success of this scheme for marketing a product.

When the stamps in Figures 1-3 were purchased years ago from a dealer in Chattanooga, I also bought two collateral pieces with them, Figures 8 and 9. These collateral pieces are a cover, mailed in 1900 (Figure 8) to McClellan Bros. in Red Boiling Springs, TN, and the bill for a shipment of Medicinal Products (Figure 9), which was carried by the cover. These are very interesting collectibles that reflect our changing times.

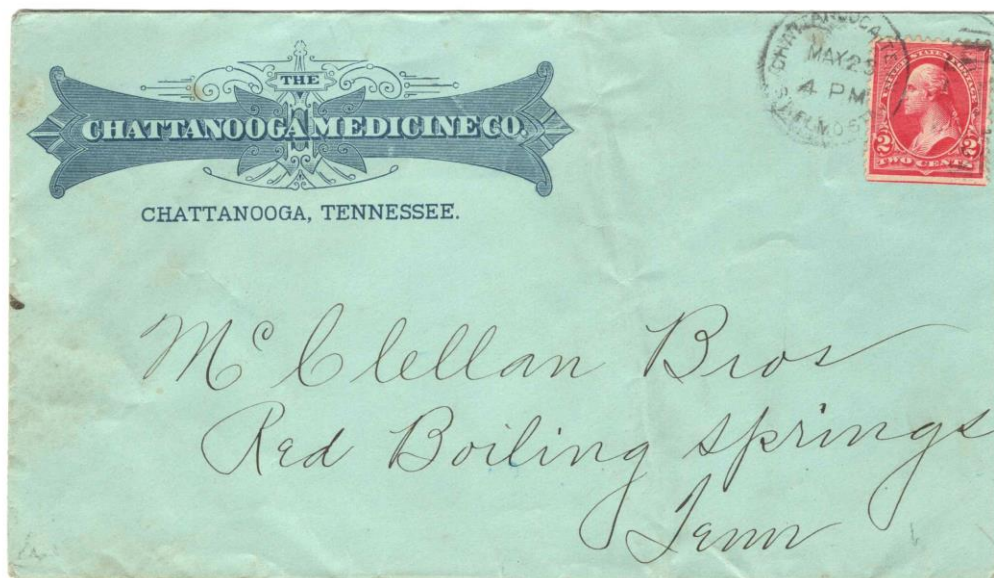


Figure 8. A cover mailed from the Chattanooga Medicine Co. to a client in Red Boiling Springs, TN. This envelope carried the bill in the next figure 9.

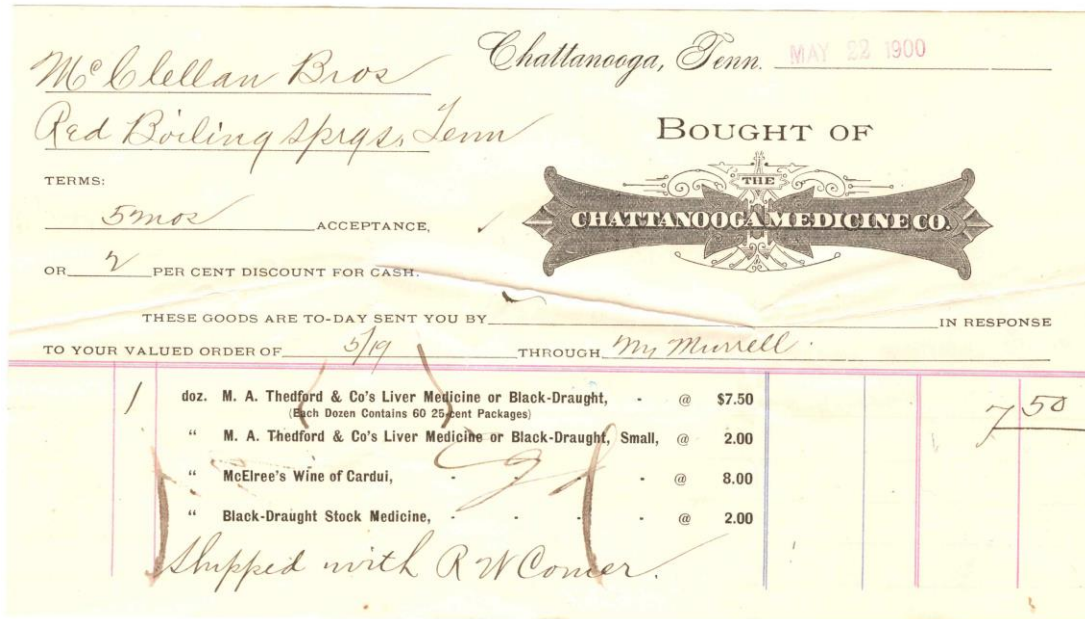


Figure 9. A bill for medicinal products sold by The Chattanooga Medicine Co. to McClellan Bros. in Red Boiling Springs, TN.

The stamps pictured in Figures 2-4 are the only Chattanooga Medicine Co. precancels that I have seen in over seven decades of collecting. They must be scarce because my collection of precancels on Battleship Proprietary Stamps numbers in the thousands and I have been collecting since 1948. Yet, these are the only stamps used by this company that I have ever found or have been offered to me.

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All photos provided by Stanley Jones

October Philatelic Gathering

The Philatelic Gathering met October 19, 2024 at the Chester County History Center for two stellar lectures. **Bob Myers** showed spectacular material from his exhibit of “Siege of Paris 1870-71: Movement of Mail.” The exhibit tells the story of the balloon mail and other aspects during the four month siege. He also showed some new items that will be added to the display. Bob has material from all 54 balloon flights that carried mail as well as some that carried “entrusted” letters handed directly to the pilot. In addition to the balloons, he displayed letters that had been enclosed in lightweight metal balls and placed in the Seine to be carried by the river flow.

The second speaker, **John Howker**, described the Adams Air Mail Pick-Up and Delivery Service introduced in the United States for handling mail in communities that had no airports. The device that enabled the service was developed by the inventor (and dentist!) Lytle S. Adams. The first successful demonstration of the service occurred in 1929 with mail from Youngstown, Ohio to Cleveland. John showed many examples of covers carried by the service and souvenir mail associated with it.

The process was featured at the 1933 Century of Progress World’s Fair in Chicago. The system was simplified in 1937. Richard Chichester du Pont provided business expertise and overhauled the procedure. The business became the All-American Aviation company and served 121 communities in six states during the 1940s. The system began losing money in the late 40s and was discontinued. The firm was acquired by Allegheny Airlines and evolved eventually into US Airlines

Dr. DiComo will be ending this year's Philatelic Gathering session with a lecture entitled: *“From the U.S. to Farther India & Back Again. A Five Month Journey of a Baptist Missionary Cover in 1856-1857. The Challenge: Determining the Rates and Routes.”* Look for further details of Charlie’s presentation below.

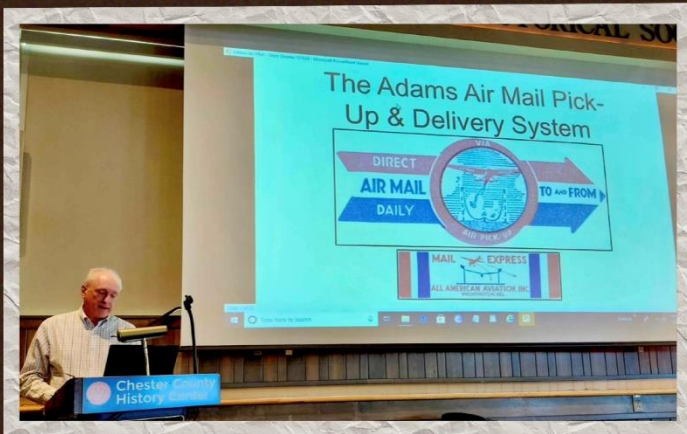
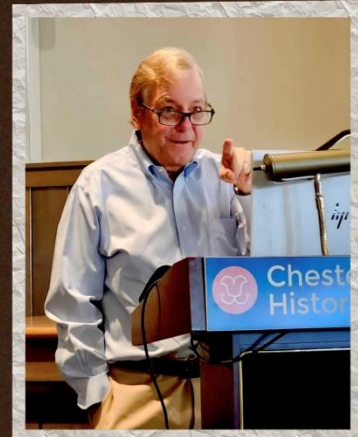
All of our members are welcome to attend at the Chester County History Center, details on webpage here: <https://lcps-stamps.org/study-groups/>



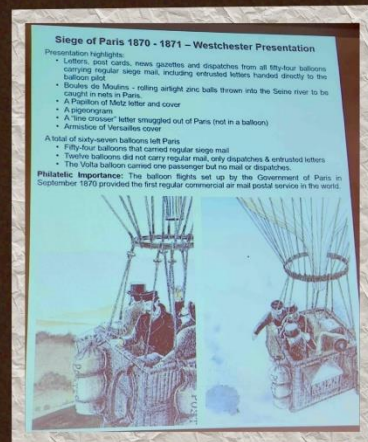
October 19, 2024



Photos: A. Warren



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Dr. Charles J. DiComo

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THE PRECANCELED BATTLESHIP REPORT G.H. MUMM & CO.

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Figure 1. An elegant G.H. Mumm crest attributed to an unknown artist. This item was offered by an eBay dealer and has been borrowed from his site.
Source: eBay.com.

began, but Mumm & Co. has become one of the largest exporters of sparkling wines in the world. There does not appear to be any evidence of fiscal activity during the Civil War (G.L. Toppan, H.E. Deats and A. Holland [1]), so it is safe to say that its export business to the U.S. began sometime after the Civil War Revenue Tax was repealed in



Figure 2. Type 3 red precancels on 1-cent proprietary stamps. All these stamps were used late in the tax period, as indicated by the dates and the fact that the

BVSC (and PSLC) member Stanley Jones, along with his co-author Mary Katherine Klose, had their article on the G.H. Mumm and Company published in the quarterly Journal of the Wine on Stamps Study Unit of the American Topical Association, *Enophilatelia*. David Wolfersberger is president of the Wine on Stamps Study Unit, and editor of *Enophilatelia*.

The Journal of the Empire State Postal History Society

Excelsior!



Charles J. DiComo, PhD
ESPHS & PSLC President
PaPHS Board of Directors
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Here's a brief story of a USPOD Draft Bank Check, dated Feb. 19, 1851, signed by then PMG Nathan K. Hall (Mar. 28, 1810 – Mar. 2, 1874).

Hall served as Fillmore's PMG from 1850-1852, when President appointed him U.S. District Judge for Western District of NY, an office he held until his death in Buffalo on Mar. 2, 1874.

Check engraved & printed by Hufty & Danforth, Philly & NY. Images of: Washington; Lady Liberty with Shield, Cap & Cornucopia; Rail cars; and a Steam Vessel. Beautifully framed "Transportation of the Mails."

This draft, No. 6415, addresses to 'M. Wheeler'; Postmaster 'Hancock, N.Y.,' Pay to 'T.J. Townsend Green & Co.,' for \$40.00. Countersigned on reverse.

"Pay To The Order Of... A USPOD Check to a Postmaster from the Postmaster General."



This 1851 check from the Post Office Department carries a signature on the front lower right from Nathan K. Hall, the postmaster general of the day.

PAY TO THE ORDER OF ...

A USPOD check to a postmaster from the postmaster general

By Charles J. DiComo, PhD

I truly enjoy the search for U.S. Post Office-related artifacts not often seen by philatelists and postal historians. This draft check (illustrated) fits the bill. Shown is a U.S. Post Office Department check dated February 19, 1851 and signed by Postmaster General Nathan K. Hall.

Hall (March 28, 1810-March 2, 1874) served as President Millard Fillmore's postmaster general from 1850 to 1852, when the president appointed him U.S. district judge for the Western District of New York. He held that office until his death in 1874 in Buffalo.

This handsomely designed and finely engraved check was printed by Hufty & Danforth, with offices in Philadelphia and New York.

The engravers utilized images typical of the era on the obverse: at top center, a portrait of George Washington; at upper left, a steam vessel and dinghy ploughing the sea. At left is a beautifully framed "Transportation of the Mails."

The check (draft No. 6415) is made out to M. Wheeler, the postmaster of the Hancock, N.Y. post office. The amount of \$40 was to be paid to a "T.J. Townsend, Treas."

The check was received at the Hancock post office and is marked on the reverse with a manuscript, "Pay to the order of A.B. Chamberlain, Agt." in one hand, signed by Chamberlain, in his hand, and then signed by Thomas Townsend.

President Fillmore (1800-1874) and Hall, 10 years his

junior, had a long history, in friendship, politically and professionally. Both were both were born in the same area of the state, Fillmore in rural Cayuga County, Hall in Marcellus in adjacent western Onondaga County. Fillmore had little formal schooling, but studied to become a lawyer and became prominent in the Buffalo area as an attorney and politician.



Postmaster General Nathan K. Hall.

He was elected to the New York Assembly in 1828 and the House of Representatives in 1832. Fillmore initially belonged to the Anti-Masonic Party, but became a member of the Whig Party as it formed in the mid-1830s.

Hall moved with his family early in his youth to Erie County, attended the district schools, and engaged in shoemaking and agricultural pursuits. It wasn't too long before Hall turned his attention to the law, and studied under Fillmore's tutelage. Hall was admitted to the state bar in 1832 and joined Fillmore's practice as partner. Not long afterward, Hall joined his mentor Fillmore in the Whig Party.

Hall became involved in local politics, serving as deputy clerk of Erie County, as clerk of the Board of Supervisors, and as member of the Board of Aldermen of Buffalo. In 1839, New York Governor William Henry Seward appointed Hall as a mastery of chancery – essen-

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Dr. Charles J. DiComo

PSLC president Dr. Charles J. DiComo had another submission in the October Journal of the Empire State Postal History Society, *Excelsior!*

DiComo, PhD, Charles J., [Pay To The Order Of... A USPOD Check to a Postmaster from the Postmaster General](#), *Excelsior!*, October 2024, Whole No. 40 NS, pp. 6-7.

Banking in the Village of Pawling, NY and Surrounding Townships

As told through Postal History, Bank Checks, Currency, Revenue Stamps
and Postal Cards: 1849–1929.



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Dr. Charles J. DiComo

On October 28, 2024, PSLC President Dr. Charles J. DiComo was a guest lecturer at the Houston Philatelic Society monthly Zoom meeting, where he spoke on [“Banking in the Village of Pawling, New York and Surrounding Townships as told through Postal History, Bank Checks, Currency, Revenue Stamps and Postal Cards: 1849–1929”](#). Dr. DiComo lived in Pawling, New York for a decade with his family, and began researching the history of village, town, hamlets and neighborhoods in Dutchess County. He began collecting its postal history, along with real photo

postcards, postal cards, postal stationery, Victorian trade cards, railroad tickets, newspapers, hotel paraphernalia, etc. He shared a sub-collection from this study which included Bank Checks, Promissory Notes, Bank Tags, Fractional & Federal Currency, Revenue-stamped documents and other Ephemera. For those interested, he also published an article on a portion of this story, [*The Life of Hiram Vail and the Obsolete Notes produced for his Banking & Collection Office in Amenia, New York*](#), *Paper Money*, May-June 2019, Vol. LVIII, No. 3, Whole No. 321, pp. 190-194.

LOOKING TO ACQUIRE:
Pawling, Patterson & surrounding Post Office's
in Dutchess & Putnam Counties, New York State.



Interested in Stampless, Classic, Modern Postal History; Postcards; Bank Checks; Advertisements; Victorian Trading Cards; Bank Tags; Currency, Ephemera; etc.

Also looking for additional hamlets, towns, villages: Pauling(s), Pawling(s)ville, Campbell(s)ville, Pawlings, Pawling, North Quaker Hill, Quaker Hill, Farmer's Hill, Stonehouse, West Pawling, Holmes, Haviland Hollow, West Patterson, Wingdale, Wing's Station.

Scans appreciated, fair offers made, contact
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2024 Postal History Symposium



November 15-16, 2024

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Date



Don't forget about the Postal History Symposium, November 15 and 16, at the American Philatelic Center in Bellefonte, PA. [Click here for more information.](#)



**From the U.S. to Farther India & Back Again.
A Five Month Journey of a Baptist Missionary Cover
in 1856-1857**

The Challenge: Determining the Rates and Routes

The Philatelic Gathering

Saturday, November 23, 2024 at the Chester County Historical Society

At the final Philatelic Gathering of 2024, Dr. Charles DiComo will present his presentation “From the U.S. to Farther India & Back Again. A Five Month Journey of a Baptist Missionary Cover in 1856-1857. The Challenge: Determining the Rates and Routes”.

Dr. DiComo will share an 1856 Postal History Detective Story of an 1856 cover with 20+ cancellations and manuscript markings. The challenge was to determine the journey this cover took from Warren, Ohio to Farther India (Burma) and back again, arriving at the Baptist Mission in Boston after 5 months.

Charles will reveal the cancels, follow the routes and rates and decipher the transit, as well as share the human story of the Reverend Alfred Satterlee, his wife and newborn daughter.

All this was accomplished using numerous resources: personal philatelic references; online databases, philatelic auction catalogs; digital manipulation software; and by contacting colleagues.

Also featured at the gathering: Kean Spencer on “Puerto Rico Revenue Stamps - US Administration”

Ave et Vale-Vince Kneizys

PSLC was saddened by the news of Vince's sudden and unexpected passing on the 01st October at age ninety. He led a full life with over sixty years of marriage, successful children and grand children, and service to his country through a twenty-year career on active duty and reserves with the Navy. In addition to his naval service and a long post-service management career, Vince was continually involved with his community and church, right up to the end. The Remembrance section following his online obituary contained many messages noting his work with Manheim Twp. Historical Society, Meals on Wheels, volunteer work at Lancashire Hall for over twenty years, and decades of service to his church in a host of capacities. Those commenting shared many positive impacts that Vince had on their lives.

Vince joined PSLC when we relocated our meetings to Landis Homes where he lived. He was involved in our meetings both in-person and online, always having something to contribute through good questions and observations. He was the one to alert us that PSLC members would be allowed eat in the ground floor restaurant, The Owl Hill Bistro, at our meeting venue on the night of our sessions. This added another bonding opportunity for our club members during pre-meeting dinners. The arrangement was well received, and eventually it worked out that we will be having our December Dinner there next month, the first since 2019 at Woodcrest Villa.

As we age in our hobby, along with our stamps and covers, it is the fellow collectors whom we meet along the way that make our collecting journeys that much richer. Vince was part of this, and we'll keep him and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

PSLC Member Anniversaries

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date Joined</u>	<u>Years</u>
Don Barron	11/28/2022	2
Stevan Cady	11/21/2020	4
Charles Deutsch	11/14/2018	6
Scott English	11/15/2016	8
Jeff Levan	11/14/2018	6
Vernon Morris Jr, MD	11/15/2020	4
Thuan Pham	11/11/2015	9
John Shue	11/12/2023	1
James Strycharz	11/22/2020	3
Brian Wagner	11/13/2019	5

Happy PSLC anniversary!

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General Information

Visitors are Always Welcome!

PSLC dues are \$10.00 a year. For existing members who want to renew their membership for 1 or more years, and/or make a donation to support our Society activities and programs, you can use PayPal-Friends by remitting payment to President Charles J. DiComo, PhD at charlesdicomo@gmail.com and denote in Notes section the reason for payment, your name, and how many years you are paying. Venmo can also be used @charlesdicomo. For new members, please mail/email your [Membership Application](#) along with a check or money order to Treasurer, Lou DiFelice.

We meet in-person on the 2nd Wednesday of the month (Except August & December) at 6:30 p.m. in the Crossings Meeting Room, Landis Homes, 1001 East Oregon Road, Lititz, PA 17542. See our website for directions.

We meet virtually on the 4th Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. For society information and meeting links, contact Paul Petersen (pcpetersen@comcast.net).

Visit us on YouTube: <https://youtube.com/@philatelicsocietyoflancast7393>

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The PSLC is honored to be selected a winner of the 2023 APS Star Route Awards for our website and newsletter. The Society website (lcps-stamps.org) is winner of the Grand Champion and Large Gold awards. It is our 24 – 7 virtual presence, where philatelists all over the world can access current and past issues of our Vermeil Award-winning *PSLC Newsletter*, in addition to useful philatelic links, exhibits, presentations, useful resources, affiliates, member spotlight, regional stamp shows, history and awards, etc. Please check out our PSLC YouTube Channel and Facebook page.

The PSLC is collecting dues for 2025!

Dues remain at \$10 for yet another year. That is less than 84 cents per month. Where can you find a better deal?

Please submit your dues at your earliest convenience, to help us avoid unnecessary follow-up. If for some reason you decide not to renew your membership, which we sincerely hope would not be the case, please make us aware of that.

There are multiple ways you can submit your renewal payment:

1. You may renew **IN PERSON**: Submit a **check** (no cash) in the amount of **\$10 payable to PSLC** to Wayne Heim at the membership table when attending our monthly, in-person meeting. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month at Landis Homes, 6:30 pm.
2. You may renew **BY MAIL**: **Print** and **complete** the **attached form** and **submit** it, with your **check** to Lou DiFelice, 1024 Woodridge Blvd., Lancaster, PA 17601-2251.
3. You may renew **WITH PAYPAL** (Family and Friends): Directions for paying online can be found on the **Philatelic Society of Lancaster County Web site, Page 1**. Payment, along with any changes to your renewal (address, phone, email, etc.) should be sent to charlesdico@gmail.com.

Thank you in advance for your prompt response to this request, as we look forward to twelve more months of interesting, entertaining, mind expanding philatelic presentations. If you have any questions, please contact membership chair Wayne Heim at heimwayne@gmail.com

Please **clip** this **2025 Dues Renewal Application**, complete, and **mail to Lou DiFelice, 1024 Woodridge Blvd, Lancaster, PA, 17601-2251** with **\$10.00, Checks only, no cash**. Be sure to sign your check. Thank you in advance.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Please check here if you do not require a new membership card. This action will save the club time and the cost of postage.

Please check the appropriate ATA/APS box(s) if you are a paid up member:

ATA Member APS Member

Make checks payable to Philatelic Society of Lancaster County. Please advise of any changes in address, phone/cell, email, or change in ATA/APS status.