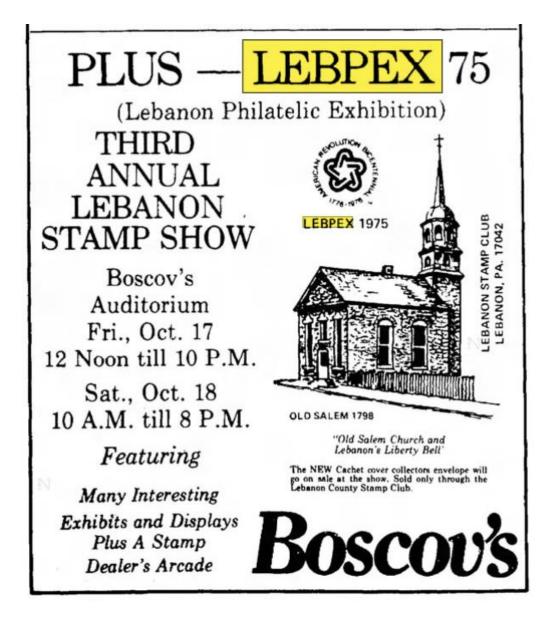
LEBPEX in the News



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2025

Introduction

The Lebanon Daily News was Lebanon County's newspaper of record for many years. This document is a collection of LEBPEX items that were recorded in its pages. It is divided into two sections: Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club exhibitions which occurred before LEBPEX was begun in 1973, and the accounts and advertisements for the LEBPEX exhibition, which was for many years hosted by Boscov's and the Lebanon Valley Mall.

These clippings were collected from key-word searches conducted on *Newspapers.com*. The little yellow highlight boxes indicate the search term that turned up the result. The website requires a subscription, which anyone whose hobbies include local history would get plenty of value out of; I found most of these items within my seven-day free trial period.

Enjoy this step into the past – it's a tribute to our members, past and present!

Scott Ney

April 2025

Part I: LEBPEX "pre-historic" items

Lebanon Daily News

Thursday, November 15, 1934 (p. 1)

LEB. COLLECTORS EXHIBIT STAMPS AT LEGION HOME

Annual Display to Continue Until Saturday Night

Stamp collectors—there are vastly more of them than most people imagine—are having their inning this week at the second annual exhibit of the Lebanon Stamp Collectors' Club and Aero Philatelic Society. The exhibition is in progress at the American Legion Home on South Ninth Street and will continue until Saturday night at 10 o'clock.

The display is of great interest to professional philatelists and it has many features of general public interest. It is educational to those directly engaged in stamp collecting, and is highly interesting to even casual visitors for there are elements to it that offer irresistable attraction.

In the exhibit are the immense

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LEB. COLLECTORS EXHIBIT STAMPS AT LEGION HOME

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Walter Spillman, D. E. Schucker Phillip H. Seltzer, F. J. Kirschof and smaller ones by Leroy Hain, J H. Wirt, Paul E. Miller and others

The stamps are displayed in glass covered frames, and on cards covered with cellophane, and exhibited or long tables. They are grouped into sections and classified in such manner that they can be readily in spected. The display includes envelopes and postage stamps that traveled from Uncle Sam's new domain. "Little America," and from different countries in Europe. Ther

are stamps gathered in one frame that give an historic sketch of the airship U. S. S. Macon.

There was an immense throng at the exhibition on the opening night, Wednesday, and included a large delegation from Reading. phaletology is no mere city fad was attested by the large number of visitors from the country districts, and by intimate knowledge these rural visitors had of the displays. There are, of course, many internal revenue and other styles of stamps in diaplay and it is well worth while seeing. The stamp collectors consider their work educational and no admission charge is made to inspect the exhibit.

It is reported that there are over a million stamp collectors in the nation who can be classified as professionals, to say nothing of those commercially engaged in it as a business, and many who just work at it by spells. Lebanon county apparently has a considerable number which includes some in each classification.

Monday, November 11, 1946 (p. 9)

STAMP CLUB MEETS

Members of the Lebanon Stamp Collectors' Club will open their meeting to the public tonight for a special program in the rooms of the Lebanon County Historical Soclety, Sixth and Walnut Streets. The meeting will be conducted by the Capital City Philatelic Society of Harrisburg. The local stamp club conducted a simflar meeting in Harrisburg two weeks ago. In connection with the program, stamp collections of nearly all of the 22 members of the local club are on display this week in a local uptown store.

Lebanon Daily News

Thursday, April 30, 1964 (p. 4)

Visit Pomercy's STAMP EXHIBIT

Friday May 1st, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Saturday, May 2nd, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Courtesy Of

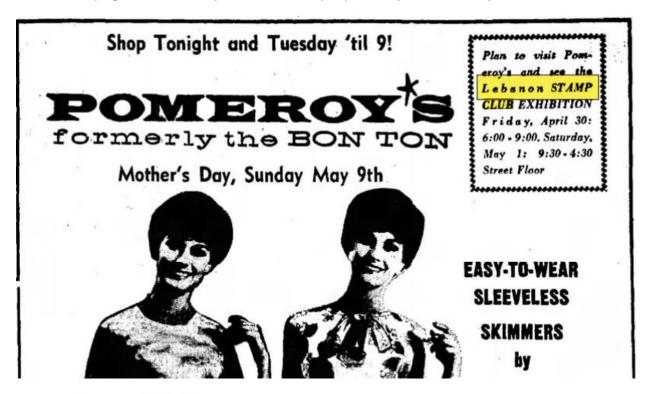
Lebanon Stamp Club

See rare, valuable foreign and United States Postage Stamps. Commemoratives, miniature sheets, first day covers and other collector's items.

-SPORTSWEAR DEPT., Street Floor, Lebanon

Monday, April 26, 1965 (p. 3)

From a full-page Mother's Day ad for Pomeroy's (formerly the Bon Ton)



Plan to visit Pomeroy's and see the Lebanon STAMP CLUB EXHIBITION Friday, April 30: 6:00 - 9:00. Saturday, May 1: 9:30 - 4:30 Street Floor

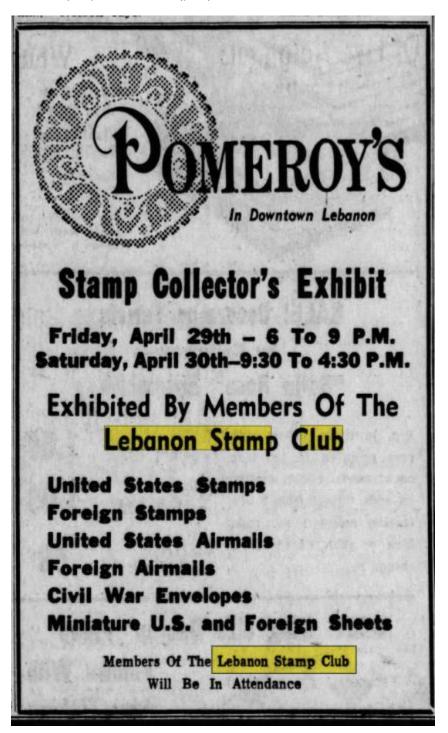
Thursday, April 29, 1965 (p. 3)

From a full-page Mother's Day ad for Pomeroy's (formerly the Bon Ton)

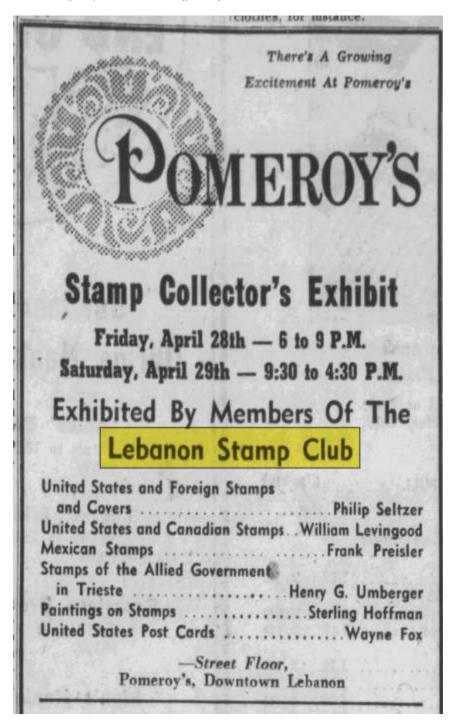




Thursday, April 28, 1966 (p. 3)



Thursday, April 27, 1967 (p. 15)



Wednesday, January 10, 1968 (p. 13)



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Wednesday, April 10, 1968 (p. 27)

Stamp Club Discusses Plans For May 5 Show

A meeting to discuss a stamp show scheduled for May 5 was held Tuesday evening by the Lebanon Stamp Club Wayne Fox, president, presided at the session in the Lincoln Republican Club.

It was announced that several collections of stamps will be displayed at the show, to be held in Christ Presbyterian Church hall, 735 Maple St.

Refreshments were served following the business meeting.

Part II: LEBPEX Historical Items

Lebanon Daily News

Wednesday, October 17, 1973 (p. 4)

You Are Invited to the

First Annual Philatelic Exhibition

Presented by Your Local Lebanon Stamp Club

at BOSCOV'S LEBANON

Fri., Oct. 19 from 12 Noon to 10 P.M. Sat., Oct. 20 from 10 A.M. to 8 P.M.

The Public Is Invited

Free Admission . Door Prizes

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Tuesday, October 15, 1974 (p. 19)

Exhibition Set By Stamp Club

The Lebanon Stamp Club announces that it is initiating professional judging and awarding in its upcoming exhibition at Boscov's. The show is slated to be held in the store



CENSUS One hundred sixty-two patients including seven infants

ADMISSIONS John F. Lababera, Mt. Gretna

Henry F. Keeney. Myerstown

Mrs. Julie K. Huf, Omaha,

auditorium Oct. 25 and 26 and is featuring much-improved exhibits by the club members and the general public.

The club has decided to go first-rate in this second annual exhibition by awarding trophies in the following categories: U.S. stamps, foreign stamps, - topical collections, and cancelled covers. All participants this year will be awarded a certificate of participation; in addition, all winning exhibits, from first to fourth place in each division, will earn an accompanying ribbon. Trophies will include a plaque for each first place winner, plus a "winged victory" single for Best of Show. The Maurice P. Apfelbaum award (for the best display on printed album pages) will be presented, a bronze medal, in addition to the president's award of an engraved silver cup.

Anyone interested in vying for awards should contact the club secretary before the show begins and as soon as possible: Jerome G. Laconis, P.O. Box 338, Palm yra.

Also to be new this year is a club-designed cacheted envelope, which will feature the Cornwall Ore Mines as this area's representative in the American Revolution Bicentennial era. These will be sold with and without stamps at the show.

The club has also improved its recruitment of professional stamp dealers from 2 to 3, and club dealers will also be

The exhibits themselves will be mounted in glass-topped aluminum frames measuring 2 by 3 feet, borrowed from the Reading Stamp Club, one of the largest in Eastern Pennsylvania. Security for these will be provided as a courtesy of Boscov's.

As in last year's show, Boscov's gift certificates will be awarded to the public as special prizes. Winners will be announced at the close of the

Tuesday, October 22, 1974 (p. 12)

This invitation was part of a full-page ad for Boscovs



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Save 30%

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Friday, November 15, 1974 (p. 23)

Exhibition Discussed

Discussion on the recent exhibition at Boscov's highlighted a meeting of the Lebanon Stamp Club Tuesday in the Lincoln Republican Club. James M. Roland, president, conducted the meeting.

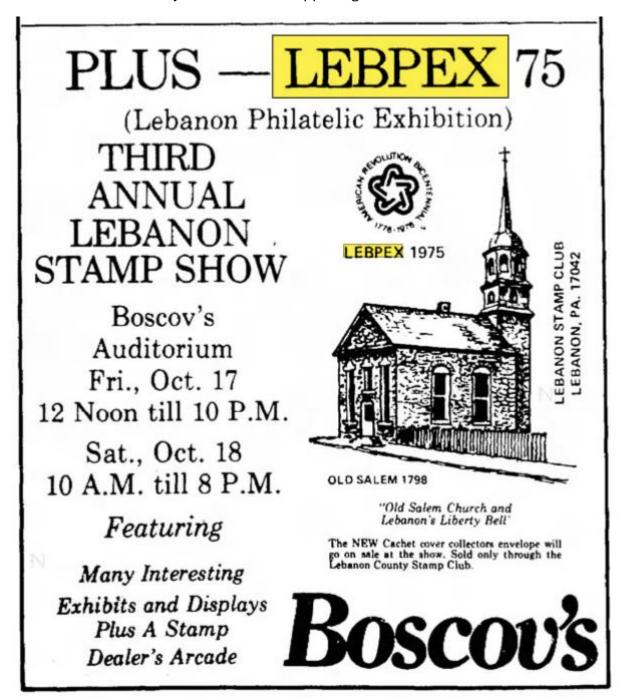
After discussing the success of this year's event, members approved plans to hold a similar exhibition next Oct. 17-18 at Boscov's. William Levengood was named chairman of the planning committee for the event.

Erwin Herschkowitz spoke on more effective displays. based on information he gleaned while on tour with one of the nation's leading philatelic judges. Vincent Ringer. vice president. outlined future club activities. Richard Kline was accepted as a new member.

The club's chapter of the Pennsylvania Postal History Society will hold its first meeting later this month at the Treadway Inn.

Thursday, October 16, 1975 (p. 19)

From the Lebanon Valley Mall Weekend Happenings advertisement:



Thursday, October 16, 1975 (p. 33)



HISTORIC COVER — The Rev. Harry T. Richwine (left), pastor of Salem Lutheran Church, receives a copy of a postal cover from Wayne Fox, a member of the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club. Fox designed the Bicentennial envelope which features a drawing of the historic Old Salem Lutheran Church. The presentation was made in conjunction with the third annual Lebanon Stamp Show which will be held by the stamp club and the Lebanon Valley Postal History Society Oct. 17-18 in Boscov's auditorium. (Daily News Photo)

Friday, October 17, 1975 (p. 14)



Thursday, September 30, 1976 (p. 1)

From the October Calendar of Events

October 15-16

Bicen Stamp Exhibition at Lebanon Valley Mall; sponsored by Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club, Friday noon-10, Saturday 10-8

Lebanon Daily News

Tuesday, October 12, 1976 (p. 7)

Stamp Exhibit

The Lebanon Valley Mall will be made in each of the will be the mecca for stamp collectors from distant points as well as from the Lebanon County area Friday and Satur-

casion will be LEBPEX 1976 (Lebanon Philatelic Exhibit), sponsored by the Lebanon Stamp Col-lectors Club. It will be the club's fourth annual show and also an official Bicentennial stamp exhibition. Admission is free.

Pennsylvania Postal History Society will conduct its annual meeting during the

There will be a number of features to the show in addi-tion to the exhibit of 150 frames of philatelic material. Awards show categories.

An official cachet has been prepared to commemorate the show. It pictures the old Lebanon County Courthouse that is now the headquarters of the Lebanon County Historical Society.

The United States Postal Service will maintain a booth at the exhibit for the sale of stamps to the public. The Lebanon County Historical Society will also be represented in addition to the postal

history society
A special cancellation will be available on each of the exhibition days. Interested persons may have this can-cellation applied to their stamps and covers.



OFFICIAL CACHET - Erwin Herschkowitz (left), president of the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club, presents the club's official Bicentennial cachet to John J. Foster, president of the Lebanon County Historical Society. The cachet pictures the old county courthouse that is now home for the historical society. Above the cachet is pictured the cancellation that will be applied to covers at the club's exhibition this weekend. (Daily News Photo)

Kohler Plumbing

Tuesday, October 12, 1976 (p. 47)

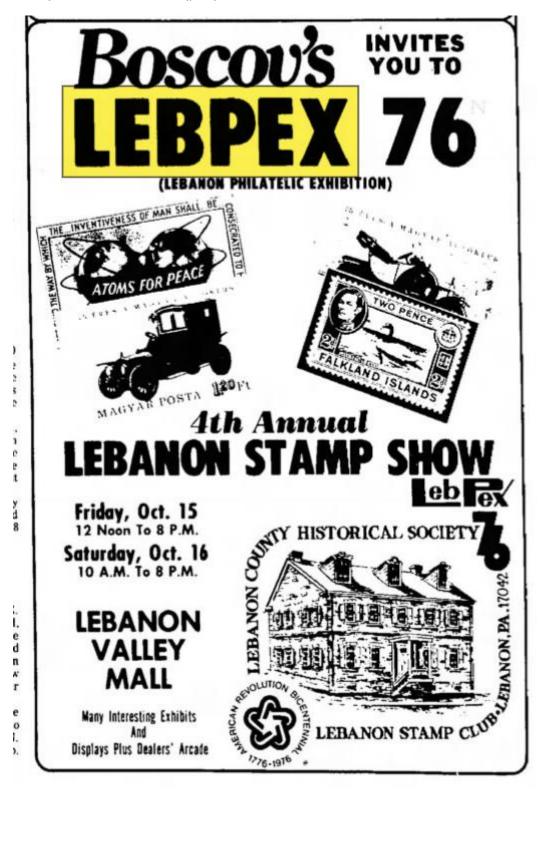


Friday, October 15, 1976 (p. 1)



STAMP EXHIBIT — It was a labor of love this morning as William Levengood, 985 Lilac Lane (left) and Russell Karli, 1131 E. Lehman St., helped set up the exhibits for the fourth annual show being staged by the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club in the Lebanon Valley Mall. It is also an official Bicentennial stamp exhibition. On exhibit will be more than 150 frames of philatelic material, including 1,200 album pages of stamps. The U.S. Postal Service will maintain a booth at the exhibit and a cachet and special postmark has been prepared for the event. The show opened at noon today and will continue until 10 p.m. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. (Daily News Photo) oto)

Friday, October 15, 1976 (p. 6)



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Monday, October 18, 1976 (p 35)

'76 Stamp Show Is Big Success

LEBPEX 1976 was history today for the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club but they decided Saturday to conduct their 1977 show at the Lebanon Valley Mall also and to begin immediately planning the event.

The 1976 show Friday and Saturday at the Mall was termed a big success. Awards were presented at a luncheon session Saturday.

The grand award for the best of show went to Jean C. Smith, ilarrisburg, for French 19th Century cancellations. He also won a gold medal and the

Arrest Made In Derry Twp.

Derry Township police arrested a man for drunken driving Friday night on Route 743.

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Luther W. Deimler, 52,
Elizabethtown RD 1, was
arraigned before District
Magistrate Mary Cross and
released on his own recognizance.

This morning township police investigated an accident at 2:20 on Airport Road, east of Park Boulevard. The drivers were identified as Daniel Baird, 22, 363 Hockersville Road, and Clifford Gibson, 39, Richmond, Va. Damage was set at \$800 to the Baird car and \$50 to the Gibson vehicle. There were no injuries.

U.S. On The Lamb?

CHICAGO — Americans in 1975 consumed 431 million pounds of lamb and mutton, about 2 pounds per capita. This was far below the 7.3 pounds per capita consumed in both 1935 and 1945.

American Philatelic Society award.

The President's Award went to Louis F. Geschwindner, State College, for 19th Century U.S. medicine cancellations. He also won the Society of Philatelic Americans research medal and a gold award.

The topical award went to Wayne C. Fox. Lebanon, for a presentation of the life story of Martin Luther.

The best of club member award went to Frank Preisler, Lebanon, with a Mexican showing.

Junior Award

Janis Herschkowitz, a senior at Cedar Crest High School, wen the junior award with an Interphil presentation. Raymond Barondick, 12, Lebanon, also won a bronze medal for his junior exhibits.

Gold awards (large Bicentennial plates) went to the following: Lowell S. Newman and Joseph D. Hahn, both of State College, and Dr. Richard B. Tobias, Williamsport.

Silver awards (Bicentennial mugs) were won by E. Sachs and Stanley Hilderbrand, both of Reading, and Joseph Von Hake, Scranton.

Bronze awards (small plates) went to Mrs. Nancie Rabe, Clearfield, and Frank Preisler and Wayne Tobias (2), Lebanon.

The Lebanon County Bicentennial Medal was awarded to Jean and Daniel Marcus, Santa Barbara, Calif., for an exhibit of cachets from each state and signed by the governors, plus a presentation sheet signed by President Ford.

Judges were: Ray Ruthrauff, Clifton Heights; Howard Allen, Cherry Hill, N.J., and George M. Peters, Audubon, N.J.



YOUNG WINNER — Raymond C. Barondick, 12, 2106 New St., received a bronze medal for his junior exhibits at the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club show Friday and Saturday in the Lebanon Valley Mail. Erwin Herschkowitz, club president, made the presentation. (Photo by David Strasz).

Resume Search For Lost Child

TEN SLEEP. Wyo. — Scores of volunteers ignored snow and freezing temperatures Sunday to search for a 4-year-old boy lost for a week in the sagebrush covered hills of northern Wyoming.

Searchers on foot and horseback listened for whimpers or shouts, the only sounds Ronnie Rea can utter. The boy is unable to talk, and can hardly see without his thick optimistic about her son's chance of survival. She said predictions of rescue teams were "very hopeful and encouraging."

About 60 volunteers on foot and horseback Sunday searched a three mile radius of the Rea Ranch, 12-15 miles southeast of Ten Steep. They peered in gullies and creek beds for the boy, while a special team of German

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News and Views

from the Pews

by CHARLES DODSON

PATIENCE CAN BE A LONG, LONG TIME — . . . brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure . . . Il Peter 1:10.

Next Friday and Saturday there will be an exhibition of stamps in the Lebanon Valley Mall. Of interest to Christians will be a collection of stamps depicting various events in the life of Martin Luther. The stamps are displayed artistically through a short written history of Luther.

While I recommend that you stop and see the stamp display. I more strongly urge you to take time to speak to the author and collector, Wayne Fox If you don't take the initiative and say hello, you may miss a chance to meet a unique Christian.

Since his childhood days Fox has attended and been a member of Salem Lutheran Church. Just as important in understanding Fox is to know that his parents and grand-parents were members of the same church.

In all the years Fox attended Salem he never served on a committee or board of the church. I'm not sure how old he is but the only way he could get into a young married couples class would be as a teacher.

When I asked Fox why he never served his church in any

structural capacity, he said, "I never saw a job or position that my talents made me qualified to do."

That is what I call making your calling sure. Nevertheless the status quo changed somewhat in the latter part of 1975.

Fox, a professional artist, is owner of Fox Sign Service. In addition to making signs, he does much art work for WLYH-TV.

Due to his talent as an artist he saw a need for a more attractive church bulletin at Salem Lutheran. This man who never filled a position in his church, went to his pastor, made a few criticisms of the bulletin and gave some suggestions of his own.

In October of 1975 the church gave Fox the go-ahead to create the church bulletin covers for the entire year of 1976. All he needed to do was research the historical malerial of the church, select and draw the scenes to be used, and find and work with a printer who could finish the job in time for the first Sunday in 1976.

Fox may never before have worked on a committee, but his first time was a success. He selected and drew six pencil

line drawings of Salem historical material. You can acquire the six bulletins by attending Salem on six consecutive Sundays.

Lebanon Valley Offset, as a contribution to the church, donated its time for the photo work and printing of the bulletins. The only expense to the church for the 52-week supply of bulletins was the cost of paper.

Also, in connection with the Bicentennial, Fox did the design work for silver, bronze and gold medallions made for Salem Lutheran. He designed the Bicentennial quilt made by the ladies of Salem. Active among those ladies is Fox's mother.

At this time his work, designing Bicentennial material for the church, is finished. You may think that now, having gotten his first experience on a church project, he has become an active participant in church work. Not so! Once again the only designation of Fox at Salem is "faithful member."

Not many of us have had the patience of Wayne Fox; to wait years until a calling was heard; to execute to the best of our abilities that calling and then to return to what we were when our task was completed.

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Continued . . .

Patience has also been a part of his married life. Jessie, his wife of nearly 34 years, joined Salem Lutheran on Pentecost Day of this year after serving another denomination for many years.

The stamps for the Luther display are only part of the very large collection owned by Fox Fascinated by the life of Luther. Fox wrote the short history and illustrated it with stamps appropriate to the theme. He points out there are no stamps of the United States included, as our nation is one of the few which does not issue stamps with a religious theme.

Among other interests of Fox is the Lebanon County Historical Society. Much of its literature has been designed by him. Also, many evenings are spent on the model railroad display in his basement.

I strongly encourage you to see the exhibit of Fox. If you are not good at meeting new people, say hello to Jessie, who isn't nearly as reticent as her husband.

If all else fails and you're afraid you won't know what to talk about, walk up and say, "Hello, Mr. Fox I'm —. Charlie Dodson told me to ask you 'who is going to get the Salern Lutheran Bicentennial quilt?'."

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Saturday, October 23, 1976 (p 6)

CONGRATUALTIONS

During last week s LEB/PEX stamp show a prize was awarded to Wayne Fox of Salem Lutheran Church for the best Topical presentation.

Fox, who was the subject of last week's column, illustrated with stamps a short history he had written of Martin Luther.

Further congratulations to Frank Preisler, another winner at the show. The story of Fox was brought to light by a telephone call to me by Preisler. Thank you, Frank.

Thursday, September 29, 1977 (p. 1)

From the October Calendar of Local Events

Oct. 28 & 29

Lebanon valley Conege Center; 1 p.m. STAMP SHOW & exhibit, Lebanon Valley Mall; by Leba non Stamp Collectors Club: Fri. Noon-10 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Lebanon Daily News

Wednesday, October 26, 1977 (p.8)

Perseverance Band

Lebanon Daily News, Wednesday, October 26, 1977

Honors Scheduled For Oldest Musical Group

The oldest musical organization in the city of Lebanon and one of the oldest in the state is one of the oldest in the state is being honored this Friday and Saturday when it will performa 120-year concert at the Lebanon Valley Mall. Entertaining will be the Perseverance Band;

at the corner of Willow Street
and Liberty Alley.
Still earlier meetings were
held in the old schoolhouse located on the southwest corner of
Willow Street and Pheasant
Alley, known as "Goose
Corner."

sponsoring the event is the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club. Torned on March 2, 1857, the Perseverance Band was honored with a small hose carriage, known as the "Spider." According to a historical account written by Robert Heilman, "a parade was

companied the Washington Ar-tillerists to Harrisburg for inau-gural ceremonies conducted on Jan. 19. On March 5, 1858, the band celebrated its first an-

held meetings in the Perseverance Engine House which stood at the corner of Willow Street and Liberty Alley.

Still earlier meetings were held in the old schoolhouse label and the the courte for the parade, with the hand the period following the Civil War, the farme of the band was forced to vacate the band was forced to vacate the street and pheasant alley, known as "Goose Light's coch-making works also changed, becoming the Perseverance Corner Band.

Lebanon High School au ditorium, then on North Eighth Street. In the period following the Civil War, the farme of the band was forced to vacate the band was forced to vacate the band was forced to vacate the prior of the band was forced to vacate the prior of the band was forced to vacate the prior of the band was forced to vacate the prior of the band was forced to vacate the prior of the band was forced to vacate the prior of the band was forced to vacate the prior of the parade the prior of the parade the prior of the parade to prior of the parade the prior of the parade to prior of the par

Throughout the decade of 1880-1890, the band continued to

1880, the band continued to perform, and at one point made an appearance at Gettysburg. Other functions on the never-ending agenda were: concerts, walk-arounds, bazaars, fairs, parades, funerals, picnics, commencement exercises rem commencement exercises, reu-nions, serenades, receptions,

nions, screnades, receptions, grand openings, rallies, an-niversaries, and displays. On Sept. 16, 1902, the "Leba-non Evening Report" carried the following notice:

"The Perseverance Band last evening decided to accept the offer to become the (Pennsyl-vania National Guard) Eighth Regiment Band . . . New re-cruits will be added to the band to fill the organization to the full quota prescribed by National Guard regulations." Centennial

On Sunday, March 3, 1957, 100 years after conception, the Perseverance Band marked the event with a concert in the

Financial problems plagued the band during the mid-1950's,

However, temporary quar-ters were secured with the aid of local business firms, and the band played on.

Performances may be heard



By LILLIAN O'CONNELL
UPI Life-Style Editor

The conservationists quote Justice Hugo L. Black who said, "What we save now is all we will ever save," and urge that we get on with it and special inter-

get on with it and special inter-ests be damned.

Those opposed to the Alaska National Interests Lands Con-servation Act, sponsored by Rep. Morris K. Udall of Arizona and 80 other representatives,

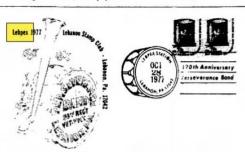
Heading the new office is David R. Cline, who said in an interview that the Society is working for a "fair balance" between economic exploitation and environmental protection.
Cline is former federal prog-

rams coordinator for the Alaska Coastal Management Prog-ram's Division of Policy De-velopment and Planning in the office of Gov. Jay S. Hammond. The Audubon Society has 400

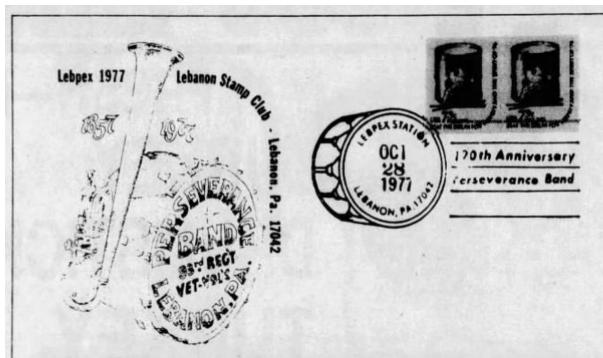
now the the state's third largest industry.
The controversy over the

The controversy over the proposals before Congress is reminiscent of that over the creation of Yellowstone Park in 1872 — opponents predicted it was so remote that no one would ever visit if. Yellowstone now is endangered by too many visitors, or as Cline put it, "It's being loved to death."

There is concern about over-



ANNIVERSARY ENVELOPE-The special cachet envelope shown above is representative of those which will be available to listeners at the 120-year performance of the Perseverance Band of Lebanon, this weekend at the Lebanon Valley Mall. The envelopes, each enclosing a bit of historical commentary, are being made available by the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club. (Daily News Photo)



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Thursday, October 27, 1977 (p. 18)



Lebanon Daily News

Monday, October 31, 1977 (p. 32)

Wins Grand Stamp Award

Joseph D. Hahn, State College, was the grand award winner at LEBPEX '77, the fifth annual exhibition conducted by the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club at the Lebanon Valley Mall Friday and Saturday.

The President's Award was captured by Kimber Wald, Harrisburg.

Hahn was honored for his exhibit of Ecuador—1865-1899 and Wald for his exhibit of stampless covers of Great Britan.

Judges were Joseph Sousa and Robert Brandeberry.

The exhibit included 160 frame displays Eight dealers participated.

The awards luncheon was conducted in the Treadway Inn with about 50 persons attending. Erwin Herschkowitz, club president, presided.

The Pennsylvania Postal History Society held its annual session in conjunction with ILEB-PEX 77.

Thursday, October 26, 1978 (p. 19)

6th Annual Stamp Show Dates Set

History buffs will find much in common with members of the Lebanon Valley Stamp Collector's Club when the latter stage their sixth annual show Friday and Saturday at the Lebanon Valley Mall.

The exhibit will include 150 frames that in part trace the history of the United States and many foreign countries. There will competitions in categories such as postal history, topical and thematic, general foreign, and United States stamps.

The theme of the show, known as LEBPEX-78, will be a cachet commemorating Bomberger's Distillery, the predecessor to Michter's Distillery at Schaefferstown. The cachet is the theme for LEBPEX-78.

An appropriate cancel will be available during the show that runs from noon to 10 p. m. Friday and from 10 a. m. to 8 p. m. on Saturday.

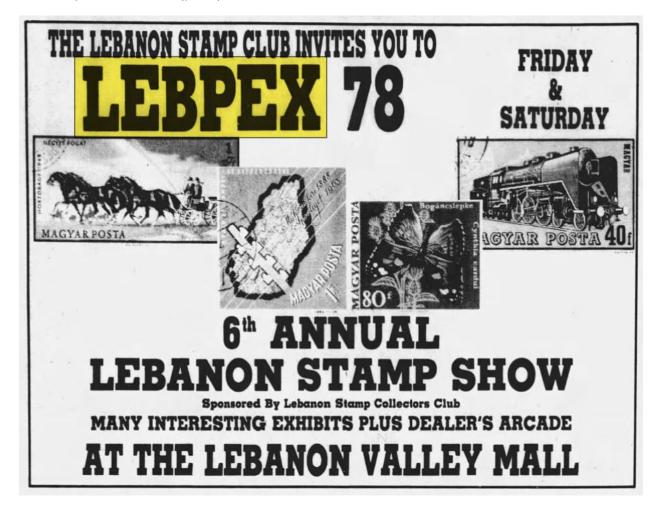
Saturday's program will include a meeting of the Keystone Federation of Stmp Clubs, a meeting of the Pennsylvania Postal History Society and the awards luncheon at the Treadway Inn. The luncheon has been scheduled for noon.

Nine stamp dealers from four states will be present at the show.

Club members are hopeful that the show will spur interest in the club which meets the second Thursday of each month at 7:30 p. m. in the Treadway Inn.



Thursday, Oct 26, 1978 (p. 26)



Lebanon Daily News

Sunday, October 21, 1979 (p. 30)

From the Sunday Pennsylvanian's On Tap: Guide to Area Entertainment, Friday and Saturday

Friday

Lebpex '79 Stamp Exhibition. Lebanon Valley Mall. noon to 10 p.m.

Lebpex '79 Stamp Exhibition, Lebanon Valley Mall. 10 a.m.- 8 p.m.

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Area Stamp Club Sets Exhibition

The Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club has announced that LEBPEX 79, its seventh annual exhibit and bourse, will be held next Saturday and Sunday in the Lebanon Valley Mall, Route 422 West.

The show will feature two historic railroad stations which are now converted to other uses, on a special cacheted envelope. A show cancel related to the railroad theme also will be available.

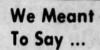
The show is sponsored by the

Keystone Federation of Stamp Clubs, which will hold its fall meeting during LEBPEX. The Pennsylvania Postal History Society will be meeting, also.

The LEBPEX show is unique in format, since it will accept only 16-page exhibits for display. Many special prizes, as well as gold, vermeil, silver and bronze awards will be at the Judges' disposal.

A show prospectus is available by contacting Jerry Laconis at P.O.Box 114, Palmyra 17078.

Wednesday, October 24, 1979 (p. 2)



The Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club will hold its seventh annual exhibit and bourse, LEBPEX 79, this Friday and Saturday, instead of Saturday and Sunday as previously reported. The show will be held in the Lebanon Valley Mall. Show times will be noon to 10 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday.

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There was also a Snowmobile Show, sponsored by the Annville-Cleona FFA, on the weekend of LEBPEX in 1979.

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Oct. 24 LEBANON STAMP COLLECTORS CLUB — LEBPEX '80 — Lebanon Valley Mall — Time 7:30 pm.

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Oct. 23-24 LEBANON STAMP CLUB — Annual event, Lebpex 81, Lebanon Valley Mall. For more information call 273-6771.

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Lebanon Stamp Club Annual Exhibition, Lebanon Valley Mall, 12-10 p.m.

SATURDAY

Lebanon Stamp Club Annual Exhibition, Lebanon Valley Mall, 10-8 p.m.

Friday, October 16, 1981 (p. 10)

Stamp Exhibit | Planned In Mall

The Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club has announced that its ninth annual exhibit will be held Oct. 23 and 24 in the Lebanon Valley Mall.

A special cachet has been prepared depicting Historic St. Mary's Church in Lebanon.

Shoe cancel features a 19th Century Bishop's Mark.

Cachets are available for 75 cents plus self-addressed stamped envelope from Jerry Laconis, Box 114, Palmyra, Pa., 17078.

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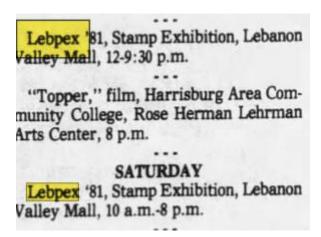
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From the Calendar of Area Events

Oct. 23-24 LEBANON STAMP CLUB — Annual event, Lebpex '81, Lebanon Valley Mall. For more information call 273-6771.

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No news from LEBPEX '82. Was this an off year for the exhibition?

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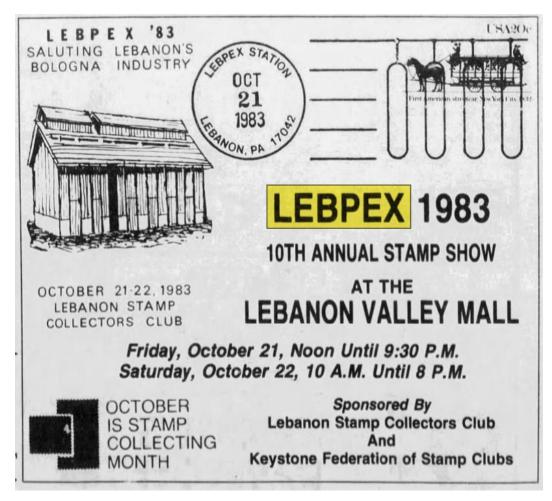
Correction

The Lebanon Stamp Collector's Club will sponsor a stamp exhibition and bourse Oct. 21 and 22, not today and Saturday. A release submitted to *The Daily News* did not list the date correctly.

The show, Lebpex 83, will be held in the Lebanon Valley Mall from noon to 10 p.m. Oct. 21 and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Oct. 22.

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Tuesday, October 18, 1983 (p. 10)



Saturday, October 20, 1984 (p. 17)

Oct. 27-28

LEBANON STAMP CLUB — Lebpex
Stamp Exhibit at 7:30 in the Quality Inn,
Chamber of Commerce Board Room.

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Thursday, October 25, 1984 (p. 31)



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Saturday, October 19, 1985 (p. 17)

Oct. 25,26 LEBPEX '85 — 12th Annual Stamp Exhibition sponsored by Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club. Lebanon Valley Mall, Rt. 422, West Lebanon. 12 noon to 10 p.m.; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Thursday, October 24, 1985 (p. 6)



Tuesday, October 21, 1986 (p. 6)

Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club Plans Exhibit

The Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club will sponsor LEBPEX '86, a tamp show, Oct. 24-25 at Lebanon alley Mall.

The Harrisburg division of the S. Postal Service will be one of the hibitors, and the Lebanon Post Ofthe will offer an information booth ar a special show cancellation to commemorate LEBPEX '86.

The hours for the stamp show are

noon to 9:30 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday.

LEBPEX '86 is one of many activities planned during National Stamp Collecting Month in October. This year marks the 100th anniversary of organized stamp collecting in the United States.

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LEBPEX '86 Annual **Stamp Collectors Show** Friday & Saturday, Oct. 24 & 25 At The LEBANON VALLEY MALL Brought To You By the Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club In Association With the **Keystone Federation Of Stamp Clubs**

Friday, October 16, 1987 (p. 13)

Stamp Collectors To Hold Annual Show

The Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club is having its 14th Annual Stamp Show Oct. 23 and Oct. 24 at the Lebanon Valley Mall, Route 422 West.

The show features a 100 frame ex-

hibit, bourse and U.S. Post Office.
The show's cachet and cancel
features the PA Railroad Museum
and pictures the "John Bull"
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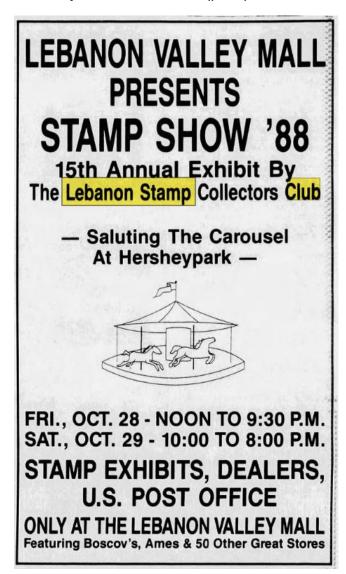
Lebanon Stamp Club To Hold Show At Mall

A stamp show sponsored by the Lebanon Stamp Collection Club will be held at the Lebanon Valley Mall on Oct. 28-29. Fifty frames of exhibits, 12 dealer bourse, US post of-

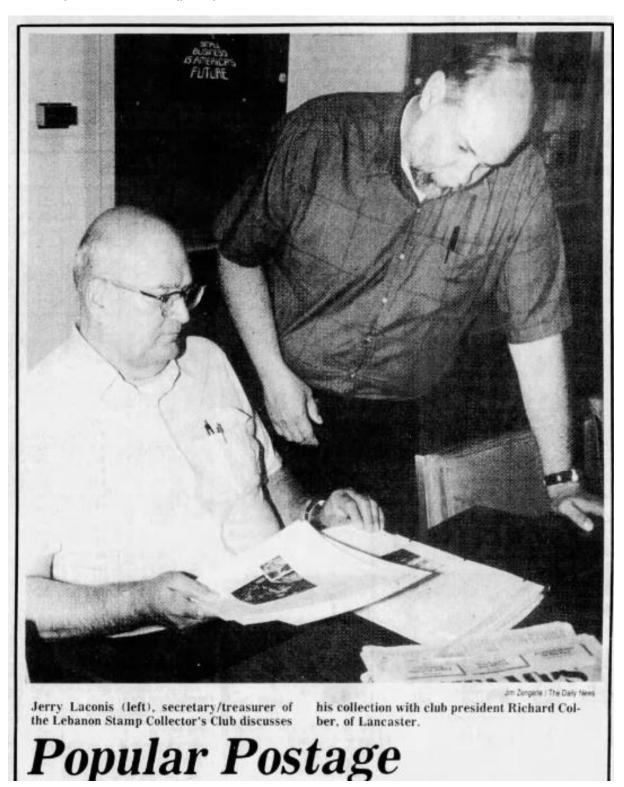
fice special carousel cancel and chachets featuring carousel animals and honoring national youth stamp collection day are included.

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Popular Postage

Local Stamp Collectors Stuck On Age-Old Hobby

By ANN STEFFY For The Daily News

To the average person who has ever had to mail a letter or pay a bill, a stamp is probably little more than a small piece of paper that makes the nose wrinkle and the lips purse when it's licked.

But for thousands in the United States and abroad

that little square of paper means a lot more.

Stamp collecting, or philately as it is known among the more serious-minded collectors, commands the largest following of any hobby in the United States.

It may seem like stamp collecting is a thoroughly modern adventure, but it has existed since the mid-1800s. The first reference to stamp collecting was made in 1841, when a woman placed an ad in the *London Times* asking for cancelled stamps that she could use to wallpaper her room.

Almost everyone has collected a certain type or issue of stamp to commemorate an occasion. But there are enough avid collectors to form a network of clubs that spans most of the stamp-issuing world. This group consists of 200 countries that issue about 10,000 different

types of stamps each year.

Lebanon has its very own branch of this network, called the Lebanon Stamp Collector's Club. It works in affiliation with the American Philatelic Society.

Jerry Laconis, secretary/treasurer of the local club, said he has met people from all over the United States and Europe through this hobby. Recently, he has corresponded with an individual from France, and has traveled on this continent and abroad attending stamp shows.

A collector does not have to become this involved with the activity to enjoy it, however. Stamp collecting is a hobby for everyone from the average person to the Queen of England, Laconis said, and it can be tailored to any size budget, because the price of a stamp ranges

from a few cents to a million dollars.

Stamps offer a narrative of historical events, because commemorative stamps are issued to celebrate an occasion, or to honor a particular person or a group of people. At least one stamp, however, inadvertently created its own historical event. Bolivia and Paraguay each issued stamps claiming the same stretch of land as their own, thereby stimulating conflict and causing a war.

Much of the activity surrounding stamps, however,

is not nearly as life-threatening.

The local club, for instance, meets the second Tuesday of each month in the Chamber of Commerce building, 252 N. Eighth St., Lebanon, and discusses types of stamps and upcoming events. The club sponsors a stamp show called Lebpex in October at which collectors and dealers display their collections for the public and themselves.

In celebration of the show the local club creates a cache — an envelope with a picture printed on the left side, across from the stamp. The club also designs a postmark used only for the two days of the exhibition.

Another facet of this event is the awards ceremony. At the ceremony, the awards coincide with the theme of the show. For instance, the year bologna was the theme, the club distributed bologna to the winners. Another year, winners received a bottle of whiskey in honor of the theme: Michter's Distillery.

Although stamp shows draw crowds, the turnout for meetings is often sparse. Few people realize how much fun they can have with stamp collecting, members say, noting that it is a great way to meet people, learn about history and geography and travel in the process.

The educational part of stamp collecting occurs when an interested collector takes the time to investigate the history of the stamps in his collection. Laconis said he feels that stamps should be used as teaching aids, "because you really learn a lot from stamps if you look at them and find out what they are all about. ...especially the older stamps."

But he said problems may arise in finding teachers

who are interested in the stamps.

Laconis said he also sees the usefullness of the stamps decreasing, because today many countries issue stamps almost solely as a revenue-generating device. Grenada has even issued a set of stamps

featuring rock stars, he said.

This trend towards greater stamp production has also dramatically decreased the worth of most stamps and caused many collectors to specialize in certain types of stamps, Laconis said. Collectors may specialize in stamps according to the picture on the front, the country that issued it, or even the number of perforations along the edge of the stamp.

Thursday October 26, 1989 (p. 22)



Wednesday, October 24, 1990 (p. 2)



Saturday, October 12, 1991 (p. 15)

Stamp exhibit planned

The Lebanon Stamp Club will hold its 18th annual exhibition, "LEBPEX" '91," at the Lebanon Valley Mall, Oct. 25-26. The 50-frame exhibit will include a U.S. Postal Service exhibition cancellation and cachet.

Wednesday, October 23, 1991 (p. 16)



Monday, October 12, 1992 (p. 18)

Stamp club schedules exhibition

The Lebanon Stamp Club will hold its 19th annual exhibition LEBPEX '92 at the Lebanon Valley Mall, 22nd and Cumberland streets, Lebanon, Oct. 30 and 31.

Featured will be a 50-frame exhibit, Bourse, the U.S. Postal Service cancellation and cachet, depecting the first post office in Lebanon.

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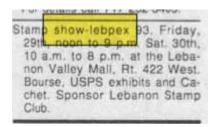


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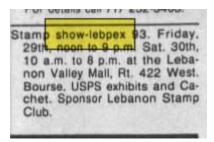
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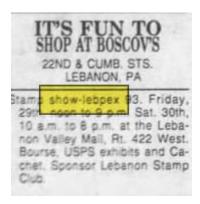


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Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club

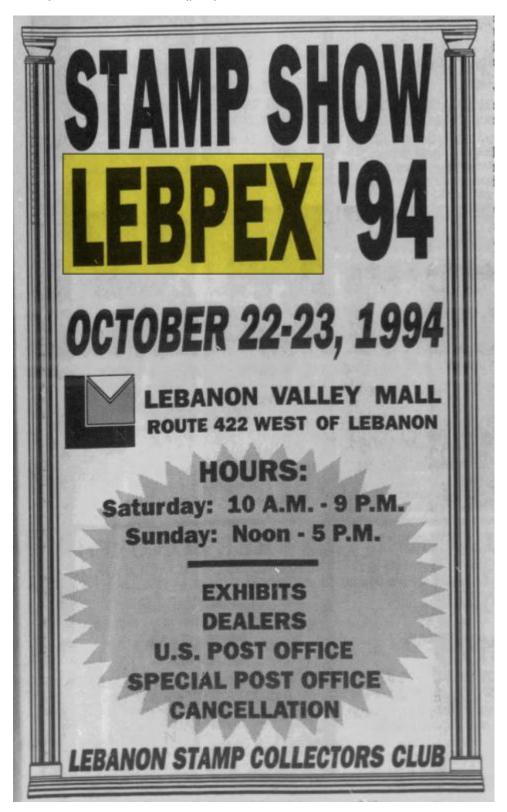
Meeting — 7:30 p.m. in the Farmers

Trust Railroad Office, Chamber of
Commerce Board Room, 250 N. 8th

St., Lebanon.

Lebanon County Flower Club Meet-

Friday, October 14, 1994 (p. 9)



Friday, October 21, 1994 (p. 6)

HAPPENINGS

Stamp exhibit set for this weekend

The Lebanon Stamp Collectors' Club will hold its 21st annual exhibit on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 22 and 23, at the Lebanon Valley Mall from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

There will be 50 frames of stamp exhibits, 10 stamp dealers and a sub-station of the U.S. Post Office where current U.S. postage stamps and related products will be for sale. The exhibit will also feature stamp exhibits from youth

collectors.

Accredited judges from the American Philatelic Society will determine the winner of the annual LEBPREX awards and the "Herk" award, in memory of Erwin Herschkowitz, longtime club member, benefactor and local businessman.

There is no admission charge and information may be obtained from Jerry Laconis, P.O. Box 114, Palmyra, PA.

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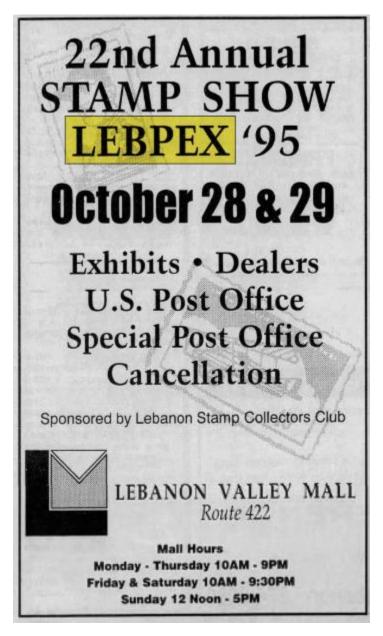
Stamp collectors schedule show

The Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club will sponsor the LEBPEX '95 stamp show at the Lebanon Valley Mall Saturday, Oct. 28. and Sunday, Oct. 29.

Hours for the show will be from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday The show will feature exhibits, dealers and representatives of the U.S. post office. A special post office cancellation will also be avail-

able. Admission is free. For more information, contact Jerome Laconis at 838-4485.

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Tuesday, October 29, 1996 (p. 11)

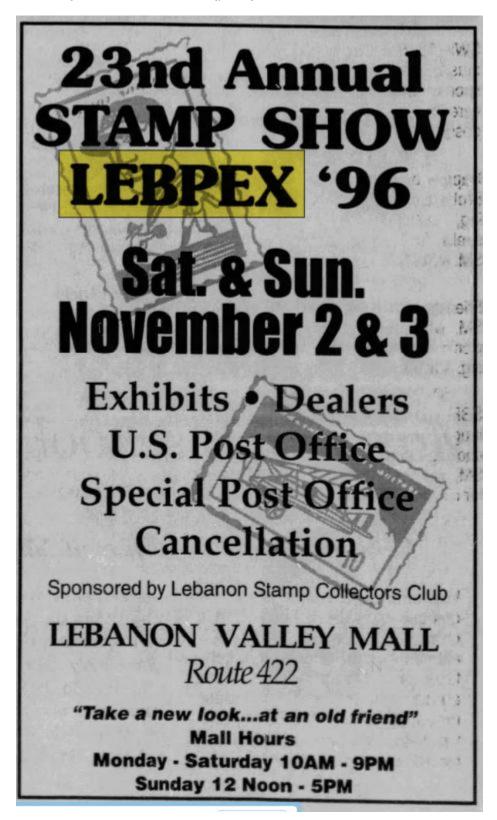
Stamp show set for Lebanon Valley Mall

A stamp show, "Lebpex '96" will p.m. on Sunday.
be held at the Lebanon Valley
Mall on Nov. 2-3 from 10 a.m. to 9

There will be and special Post p.m. on Saturday and noon to 5

There will be exhibits, dealers and specail Post Office cancellation stamps available.

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Friday, October 31, 1997 (p. 15)



Monday, October 26, 1998 (p. 10)

Lebanon Stamp Club

to host annual show

The Lebanon Stamp Club will hold its 25th annual Stamp Show at the Lebanon Plaza Mall on Saturday, Oct. 31, from 10 a.m. till 6 p.m. and on Sunday, Nov. 1, from 10 a.m. till 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Thirteen stamp dealers and the U.S. Postal Service will be represented and Lebanon County and Lancaster County postal history exhibits will be included among the displays. A special cancellation honoring the 100th anniversary of the Lebanon Historical Society will be available.

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Saturday, October 23, 1999 (p. 10)

Stamp exhibit on calendar

The Lebanon Stamp Collectors Child will sponsor its 26th annual stamp exhibit and bourse Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 30 and 31, at the Lebanon Plaza Mall.

Club members, representatives of the U.S. Postal Service, and stamp dealers from throughout the region will be on hand to answer questions and provide guidance on stamp collecting.

Among the highlights: A special "cachet" honoring the restoration and relocation of the Annville train station will be available, as well as a special showdays-only hand cancel.

A display will promote the "Celebrate the Century Express" train, which is traveling around the country and will visit Harrisburg Oct. 29 to 31.

Exhibit hours are noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

The Lebanon Stamp Collec-

The Lebanon Stamp Collectors Club meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. in the restored Lebanon train station, 250 N. Eighth Street.

Saturday, October 30, 1999 (p. 19)

Stamp exhibit and bourse, Lebanon Stamp Collectors, Club, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Lebanon Plaza Shopping Center, Route 72 in North Cornwall Township.

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Friday, October 27, 2000 (p. 14)

Club puts stamp on mall show

The Lebanon Stamp Club will sponsor its 27th annual stamp show and exhibition Saturday and Sunday at the Lebanon Plaza Mall.

Nine dealers as well as the U.S. Postal Service will be represented at the show, which will be held Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday, 10 a.m. till 5 p.m. A special show cancellation and a special show cachet, which honors Babe Ruth, will be available

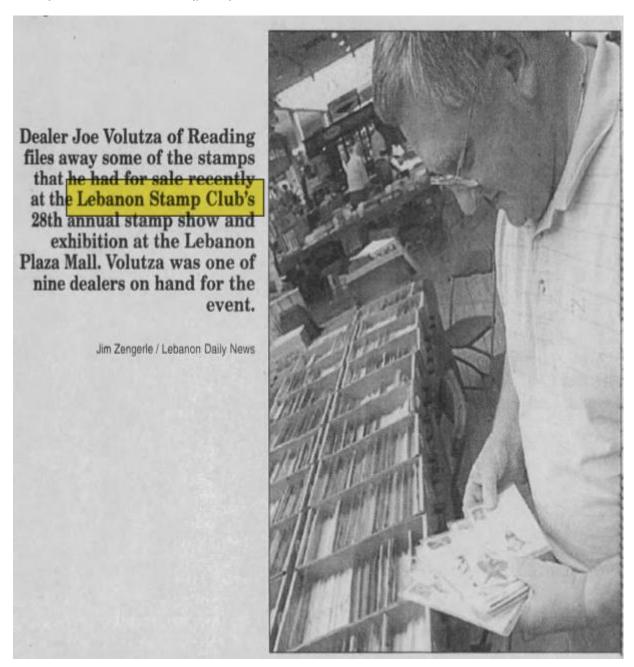
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Wednesday, October 17, 2001 (p. 16)

Stamp Club sponsors annual show, exhibit

The Lebanon Stamp Club will sponsor its 28th Annual Stamp Show and Exhibition on Saturday, Nov. 3, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, Nov. 4, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lebanon Plaza Mall. Nine dealers and representatives of the U.S. Postal service will be on hand.

Friday, November 9, 2001 (p. 21)



The End!