

THE CARD – Vol. 37, No. 3, Issue 420, June 2026

A Publication of the Lancaster County Postcard Club, Lancaster, PA

Enjoying postcards through education and entertainment.

Next Meeting: June 15, 2026 Farm & Home Center, Buy, Sell & Trade from 5:30 PM, Meeting – 7:00 PM

Like us on Facebook – www.facebook.com/LCPClub.

<http://www.lcpc-stamps.org/newsletter-archive/the-card/>

MAY MEETING

The May meeting of the Lancaster County Postcard Club was held on May 18, 2026 with 20 members and 1 guest attending and led by President, Pam Tronsor.

The Secretary's report was read and corrected. The competition for tonight's meeting was for 'Famous People', not your favorite postcard as stated in the April minutes. The Treasurer reported a balance of \$1,980.51.

The winner of the competition of postcards of 'Famous People' was DeDe Schaeffer for her postcard of Jesus. 2nd place was awarded to Susan Glass for her postcard of the Rough Rider. The third place winner was for Edward VIII submitted by Kerry Mohn. Honorable mentions were awarded to Leighton Stover for his postcard of Groucho Marx, Bismarck submitted by Pam Tronsor, and Victor Hugo submitted by Gisela Withers.

Door prizes were shared by Leighton Stover and Barbara Mowrer. The 50/50 prize was won by Carl Eshleman.

Following the meeting, members shared their favorite postcards with interesting stories. This proved to be very enjoyable. Thus the decision to continue this program next month with members bringing their 'Favorite Find' and telling about it.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanne Schopf, Secretary

FUTURE SHOWS

August 1: Summer Chesapeake Postcard Fair & Civil War Photography Show, 100 Lagaret Lane, Havre De Grace, MD 21078. Adm. \$3.00

August 15 – 32nd Annual Postcard Expo, Lancaster County Postcard Club, Farm & Home Center, 1381 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, PA, Saturday 9-5

November 20-21: York International Photo & Postcard Expo, York Fairgrounds 334 Carlisle Avenue, York, PA, Fri 9 am – 6 pm, Sat. 9 am – 4 York, 17404 Cost - \$5.00

JUNE PROGRAM

The program for the evening will be another Member Participation Night. Please bring and talk about a CARD THAT CHANGED YOUR LIFE!

Tell us what inspired you to start collecting that genre of card or to start collecting cards at all; or to travel to a particular place; or to learn more about that card by doing further reading or research about that subject or person or place; or to remind you of an interest or passion you had earlier in your life.

Thanks to Aaron for this incredible suggestion for member participation!

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

"June is bustin' out all over" as we celebrate Pride Month, Flag Day, Father's Day, and the beginning of summer.

We will explore the "Wonderful World of Animals" in this month's Postcard Competition: lions, tigers, and bears, oh my! - amongst all our other favorite animals.

Please remember to sign up to bring a side or dessert to our July picnic. And please also sign up to help us register and greet folks at our August Expo.

Join me in sending love, healing thoughts, and prayers to Barb Mowrer for her upcoming knee surgery. Barb, we will all miss your kind and generous heart and spirit at our June meeting!

Pam

2026 PROGRAMS

June: Member Participation

July: Picnic

August: Expo

September: Gisela Withers

October: Kerry Mohn

November: Pam Tronsor

December – Holiday Party



Slang on Postcards

By Brian Frankhouser

Gen Z (those born 1997-2012) seems to have a secret language. Most of it I don't understand. "Rizz" means charisma, "sigma" means lone wolf or independent type, and "bussin" means delicious. There are many more. Some may think they're the first ones to use slang words, but it's something that has been going on for centuries. However, more recently, there is an acceleration of new words being added, especially due to social media communications. They come and they go. How well do you think you know the slang words used during the golden age of postcards?

In 1907, D. Hillson copyrighted and published a proliferation of postcards that included Victorian ladies, comics, artwork, poems, sayings, and slang. The "slang" cards are very common, and can often be found in dealers' stock with very reasonable price tags. Following is an assortment to test your knowledge. Note: To get the full effect of these very colorful postcards, go to <https://lcps-stamps.org/newsletter-archive/the-card> and enjoy.

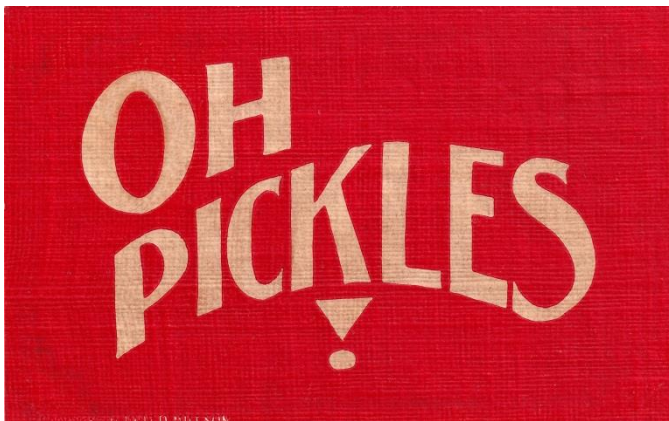


Photo #1:
Used as a substitute for offensive language when someone was surprised or frustrated. Similar to "darn it" or "for goodness sakes".

Photo #2:

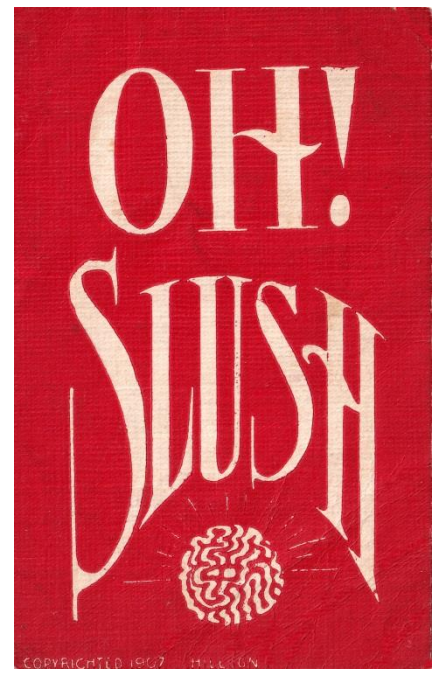
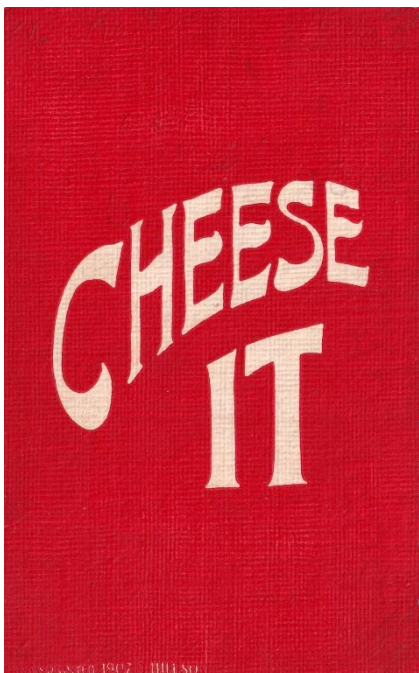
Originated with 19th century criminal slang, when it meant "cease it" or "stash it". By 1907, it was used to tell someone to "stop", "hide", or "run away".

Photo #3:

No, this doesn't refer to the brand of snowmobiles. It meant "get lost", "beat it", or "make a quick exit". It was a combination of two slang terms: 23 (scram) and skidoo (leave).

Photo #4:

Dismay or mild disgust at something overly sentimental, sappy, or hokey. Modern version might be "oh, gross!".



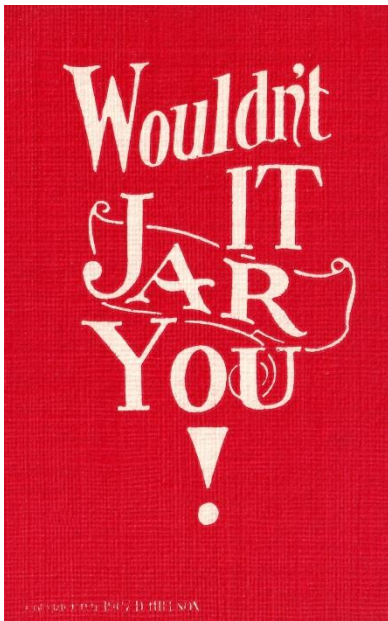


Photo #5:
Jar had an unpleasant connotation, such as a harsh or “jarring” effect on someone’s feelings or nerves. A substitute might have been “wouldn’t it upset you?”.

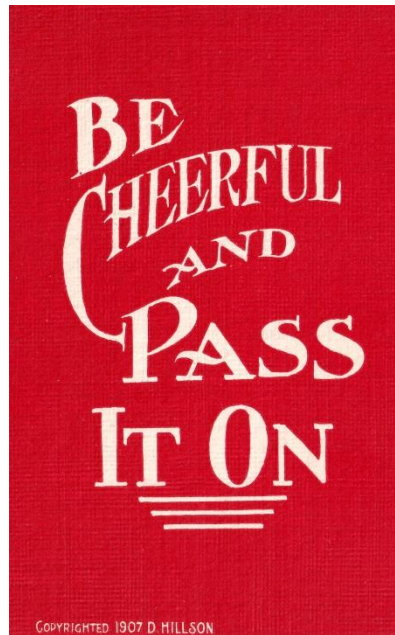


Photo #6:
This one is more of a motto than slang. It was a popular many early postcards, and is just as understandable and relevant today.

FLAG DAY JUNE 14, 2602

What we know fondly as the “Stars and Stripes” was adopted by the Continental Congress as the official American flag on **June 14, 1777**, during the Revolutionary War.

On that 14th of June, Congress made the **Flag Resolution of 1777**, stating: “The flag of the United States shall be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white, with a union of thirteen stars of white on a blue field ...” Official announcement of the new flag was not made until Sept. 3, 1777.

“**Flag Day**” has been celebrated as a patriotic occasion for many decades, but President Woodrow Wilson made the observance official on May 30, 1916, by a presidential proclamation.



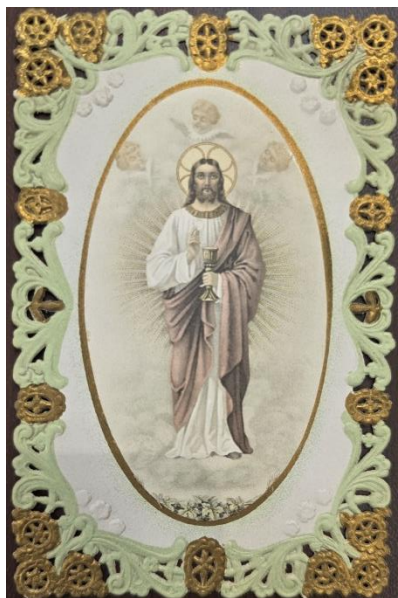
Editor’s Note: Information gleaned from [www.almanac.com/flag day](http://www.almanac.com/flag-day)



Interestingly, the current American flag was designed by a high school student from Lancaster, Ohio, named Bob G. Heft! Even though Bob’s history teacher gave him a “B-” for not knowing how many states the Union had, Bob submitted his design to the White House (unprompted) in anticipation of Hawaii and Alaska joining the Union. To his surprise, President Eisenhower called him! Today, it’s Bob Heft’s 1958 design—showing 50 stars in a field that included five rows of six stars and four rows of five stars—which is now our 50-star American flag (and history teacher changed his grade to an “A”!).

- **white** for purity and innocence
- **red** for valor and hardiness
- **blue** for vigilance, perseverance, and justice

MAY POSTCARD COMPETITION "Famous People "



First: Dede Schaeffer
'Jesus'



Second: Susan Glass
'Teddy Roosevelt Rough Rider'



Third: Kerry Mohn
'Edward III'

Honorable mentions:

Leighton Stover - 'Groucho Marx'

Pam Tronsor - 'Bismarck'

Gisela Withers - 'Victor Hugo'

2026 POSTCARD COMPETITION SUBJECTS

June: Wonderful World of Animals

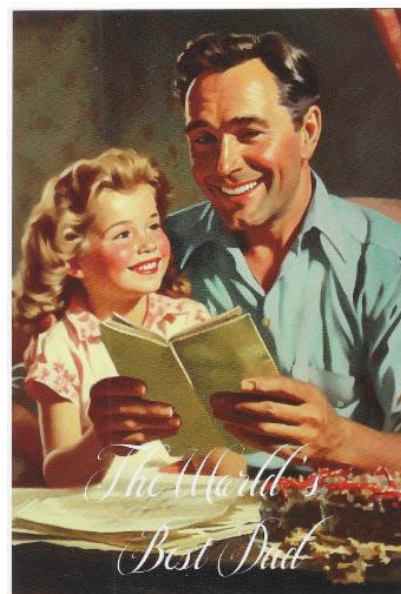
July: Men/Women at Play

August: Expo

September: Sports

October: General Stores

November: Musicians at Work



MEMBERSHIP DUES

There's still time to pay your dues for 2026. The rate remains the same - **Individual dues are \$15.00 or \$20.00 for two people residing at the same address.** You can pay Barabra Mowrer at the April meeting or you may send a check to:

Barabra Mowrer
4614 Marietta Avenue
Columbia, PA 17512