



MEETINGS -- 2ND Wednesday of each month.  
STAUFFER MANSION -- 7:30 P.M.  
1241 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601  
NEXT MEETING --Wednesday, November 11, 1992

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### THE CHALLENGE OF WORLDWIDE COLLECTING

Like most worldwide collectors, I have sat and listened to "experts" tell me how important it is to "specialize" after I got some experience in collecting. However if stamp collecting is the quest and not the result, then the worldwide collector will always have something new to keep the hobby alive.

I currently separate incoming stamps by country and have window faced envelopes for each country in two large storage trays. As I run across stamps, they go into the country envelope. When the two trays become too stuffed to accept another envelope, I do an album search, country by country.

Where do I get the stamps? Some are from mixtures that I buy from a number of sources. Some come from albums I buy, others are from country selections from dealers. I am a sucker for a bulk mixture.

Finally, the last way I get stamps is the annual ad that I run in Linn's to swap off the preceding year's collection of 100 packs. One of these is going on right now.

--Richard Boosey (ISWSC)

### NOVEMBER HOST

Truyde and Bill Greiner did such a competent job as co-hosts for the October meeting that the club membership, by a unanimous vote, while the Greiners were out of the room, declared them to be our PERMANENT HOSTS. Only pipe dreaming, Tuyde and Bill. MARY HUSSON WILL DO THE HONORS FOR THE NOVEMBER MEETING.

### NOVEMBER PROGRAM

The Program for November will be a presentation of slides by Victor Krevins (or possibly by Lesley, if Victor is unable to come). Victor has slides of some outstanding materials most of us will never see. Don't miss this program.

## OCTOBER BUSINESS MEETING

Lesley Botte presided over a lively meeting with thirty members in attendance. She pointed out again the need to explore other quarters that may be larger and possibly cheaper. It isn't too early to plan for the '93 stamp show. Lesley suggested contacting the Mall to reserve the April 17-18 date. The report by the nominating committee indicated that we have a nominee for each of the posts due to be vacated as follows:

President	Dan Anspach
Vice-President	Bill Greiner
Secretary	Ben Heller
Treasurer	Chuck Kilgore

As Sarah Brown was reporting that no one had volunteered to chair the Christmas Party, Bob Allison, who did such good work with the summer picnic, volunteered to take over. A collective sigh went up from the membership because it is an event no one wants to miss. The affair coming in early December, the 9th to be exact, sets the expansive mood for the Holidays to follow. Sarah will assist Bob, contributing her ideas and know-how to assure us the best possible time.

The meeting closed. A snack break ensued. Members voted for their choice of Logos, and scanned the auction lots, seeking out overlooked bargains and then, on to the auction.

Thirty-eight lots were offered, twenty-six were won on bids ranging from \$62.50 for a nice stock book of mint China, Peoples Republic to 50¢ for a bundle of used U.S. postcards. Twelve lots received no bids mainly because of the high reserve placed on them by the owners.

The auction realized \$185.50 of which 5% or \$9.25 went to the treasury. These figures are unofficial because the writer was often following his own bids while recording the proceedings.

A breakdown of the lots offered and the results obtained are printed for those who shy away from auction night at the club by neither entering lot nor bidding on them.

1. Box of U.S./Foreign stamps on paper	2.75
2. Box of 2x4 postmarks (\$10 reserve)	No bid
3. 19 envelopes	4.00
4. U.S. 756-765, MNH	6.00
5. U.S. pair 723 coils, MH	No bid
6. U.S. RW 49, MH	8.00
7. France #50, M no gum	No bid
8. U.S. C79, Precancel block, M	3.00
9. U.S. pair each E15-16 NH/N	3.00
10. U.S. 703 block, NH	2.50
11. U.S. 212, Mint, no gum catalog \$65.00	7.00
12. U.S. 160, U (7.00 reserve)	No bid
13. U.S. 76, U	20.00
14. U.S. 69, MH	No bid
15. U.S. 740-49, M	3.00
16. U.S. 123, U	21.00
17. U.S. 71, U	No bid
18. U.S. 78B, MH	No bid
19. U.S. 154	No bid
20. Large box 800-900 common covers (\$6.00 reserve)	No bid
21. U.S. strips of 5 bulk mail/officials	2.75
22. U.S. postcard lot, M	1.75
23. U.S. envelope lot M	2.75
24. Ambassador Album with world stamps	4.75
25. 4 U.S. Presidential sheets of nine	20.00
26. Two 3x5 cards of coil pairs	3.00
27. U.S. (85) plate no.	No bid
28. U.S. looseleaf book of 100's (\$8.00 reserve)	No bid
29. U.S. 3 packs 105 congressional franked envelopes	No bid
30. Israel tabs (3)	1.00
31. Israel 487, T LH	1.50
32. Israel T 509-20 LH	1.00
33. Israel 399 LH	.70
34. Israel C28-37 LH	1.60
35. China 350, MNH	62.50
36. Notebook U.S. mixed, U	.75
37. U.S. postcards, U	.50
38. Box junk U.S., U	1.00

Recently Marilyn was discussing previous club auctions with Jim Ward, who is active in the postcard club, and the Red Rose Coin Club. His suggestion to bring spice to the proceedings and to add more money to the treasury, is to do away with the reserve or minimum bid. For example, a collector submits a stamp with a reserve or minimum bid of \$8.00; no one bids; the lot is withdrawn. However, the same lot is submitted with no reserve. The auctioneer notes the stamp catalogues for \$16.00, so he is brisk until it reaches \$6.50 or bid \$7.00. If there is no other bid, he "eats" the lot, paying 33¢ for having entered the lot, and buys back his own stamp.

Quite often the bidding will continue past the \$8.00 that the owner felt was the lowest price he would take. Note: In the auction at least five of the no bids were lots with reserves. To summarize:

1. No minimum bid encourages bidding.
2. No minimum bid lots often go for higher than a minimum bid would.
3. The treasury collects on every lot.
4. The owner can buy back his lot if the price doesn't reach his/her expectation. Cost? Only 5% of the bid price.
5. No minimum bid lots move faster. The auctioneer does not have to plead, cajole, or harass the collectors in order to elicit an opening bid of maybe \$12 or \$30 or so. Let us discuss the pros and cons at the November meeting.

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THE MOST VALUABLE ANTIQUES ARE OLD FRIENDS

..... Anonymous

# LET'S TRADE

We thought that some of our members might want to exchange stamps with other LCPS members. Attached is a member interest code, together with a sample of one collector's interests. Retain the code sheet for future reference. At the November meeting, please hand in a sheet of paper with your name and phone number indicating your interests using the codes. Initial contact will be by phone, trading could be by mail or visiting each other's homes.

For those members who will not be attending the November meeting, please mail your collecting interests sheet to Marilyn Shirley, 19 Circle Rd., Millersville, PA 17551. The completed member interest codes will be printed in the December Newsletter.

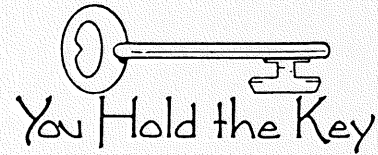
Note: This listing will also be helpful when selecting materials to sell at the auctions.

## LCPS MEMBER INTEREST CODES

- A. U.S. only
- B. Worldwide (Date/period)
- C. Mint only
- D. Postally used only
- E. Used (including CTO's)
- F. Collect Mint and Used
- G. Also specialize in \_\_\_\_\_  
(subject or topic)
- H. Specialize in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Country, Countries, Area)
- J. I want to trade/exchange with other members.

SAMPLE: Jim Lyman - 872-6114  
B (Pre 1940), C, G  
(Animals, Trains), H,  
(Italy, France), J.

We hope you will bring in your story or article based on one of the five stamps pictured in both the September and October newsletters. The winner's name will be announced and award made at the Christmas Party.



# CHRISTMAS PARTY

COST: \$13.95 per person  
TIME: 5:30 p.m. social hour  
6:30 p.m. dinner  
PARKING: Free in Hotel Parking  
Garage with ticket.  
PROGRAM: To be announced later.

It has been suggested we each bring a gift (worth approximately \$5.00) for exchange. Be sure and mark your gift "MALE" OR "FEMALE". Mark King would not want a "pair of nylons" and Lucy Eyster is not desirous of "a bottle of after shave lotion".

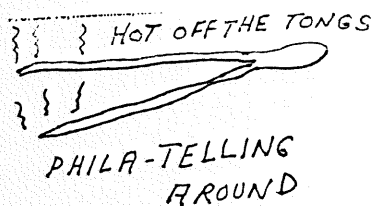
In addition to the meal cost there is a 22% tax and gratuitaies charge. In the past, the club has covered this charge. It is presumed this will be the case again this year.

Look around you at the November meeting and think what each member has contributed to the Club to revitalize and advance the Club's aims and write his/her name on the ballots to be distributed. The results will not be revealed until the Christmas Party when a suitable presentation and gift will be made.

For those of you who may not be in attendance at the November meeting, a ballot is printed in the newsletter. You may mail your ballot to Marilyn Shirley, 19 Circle Rd., Millersville, PA 17551.

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My Nominee for "LCPS CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR" is:

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My reason for my choice is: \_\_\_\_\_  
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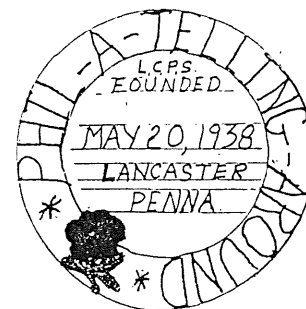
TRUYDE GREINER

#### SEARCH FOR A MASTHEAD

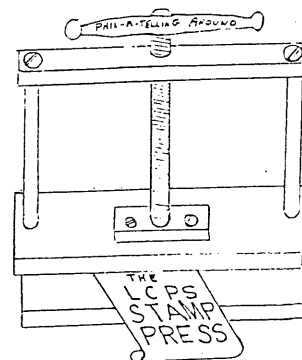
Last winter our Newsletter was submitted in the APS Newsletter Competition. In the critique of the LCPS Newsletter by the judges, the recommendation was made that we should have a distinctive masthead.

We publicized our own competition for a suitable logo and received five entries. During a break at the October meeting, we displayed the five entries and asked everyone present to vote for their favorite. Mike Shirley won the competition with his post marked stamp with a wavy cancellation. Really, an outstanding job, Mike!

All who submitted a design are to be congratulated for taking the time and making the effort to support the club project. Each will be awarded a LANCOPEX Mug at the November meeting.




DAVE STRAYER



JIM LYMAN

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WANTED

WANT: MNH Peoples Republic of China,  
Tiawan, Japan, Laos, Ryukus.

HAVE: U.S., Canada, Worldwide, to  
trade or buy for cash.  
.... Jim Lyman 872-6114

