



MEETINGS - 2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH STAUFFER MANSION - 7:30 P.M. 1241 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601 Next Meeting - Wed. March 9, 1994

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HOST FOR MARCH MEETING IS

MIKE SHIRLEY.

(MIKE was scheduled for last month, but the meeting was cancelled. Can leftover popcorn be re-warmed after a month of storage????)

This issue of "PHIL-A-TELLIN AROUND" is dedicated to the memory of SARAH BROWN, 69, of 1623 Wilson Ave. SARAH died on February 3, 1994, after a brief illness. She was a graduate of Hempfield High School, mother of 4 children and was employed by R.R. Donnelley & Sons for 15 years.

A member of Hamilton Park United Church of Christ, she was an active amber of the Lancaster Philatelic Society and an editorial staff member of the newsletter. MARCH PROGRAM

Last month the weather just would not cooperate with our meeting night. We were forced to cancel the meeting. Hopefully, this month will prove to be successful.

Our program for March will be working and getting ready for the LANCOPEX Stamp Show to be held in April.

## MAIL AUCTION DEVOTED EXCLUSIVELY TO COLLECTIONS

The popularity of large collections has prompted Sandafayre to launch a monthly Mail Auction containing only items. "We were a little surprised by the overwhelming response of our American clients' to collections offered in our Monthly Mail Auctions", commented Vincent Green, Managing Director of Sandafayre. "We alerted our Vendors concentrate more effort locating such lots with the expectation that we would merely expand the offerings in our regular Auction. Once we saw the quality of the material we decided we could devote Auction a monthly collections", he added. The quantity was also there. For instance, one consignment to Sandafayre weighed over 3,000 pounds.

The first issue of the "Bulk Stamp Exporter", as the auction is known, containing almost 1,500 collections and miscellaneous lots closed on July 3, 1991. Special attention has been paid to the catalog so that it can be mailed very inexpensively. Sandafayre believes this will allow them to distribute it widely and at no cost. The format has also been improved to make reading much easier.

Since the entire Auction contains only collections, the reader will not have to look through material of no interest to him to find such items. A side benefit noted by Sandafayre is that the regular Auction - which will also continue on a monthly basis - can concentrate more on other types of material. "Collectors will be able to receive a Catalog every two weeks but review the material more efficiently", according to Sandafayre.

The Bulk Stamp Exporter Catalog is free. Contact Sandafayre, P.O. Box 776, Sanibel, FL 33957. Phone (813) 395-0501.

Everyone is urged to exhibit in our upcoming LANCOPEX Show. This can be a very rewarding experience. You need not be a "professional" to exhibit. Bring some "personality" to our show and make it interesting to all who view our exhibits. Be prepared to sign up at this month's meeting. Wouldn't it be wonderful to have a 50% exhibit from members!!!



## 1994 PROGRAMS

MARCH 9,1994 - Preparation for upcoming LCPS Stamp Show at Park City

APRIL 13, 1994 - FINAL Stamp Show Roundup. LANCOPEX April 23-24, 1994

MAY 11, 1994 -Business Meeting Club Auction

JUNE 8, 1994 - "What Else Do You Collect?" Non-Philatelic Interests

JULY 13, 1994 -Members' Bourse

AUGUST 10, 1994 -P I C N I C

SEPTEMBER 14, 1994 - Mystery Outside Speaker

OCTOBER 12, 1994 -Business Meeting Club Auction

NOVEMBER 9, 1994 - Election of Officers - Speaker, Mr. Bob Eppler American Lung Association

DECEMBER 14, 1994 - CHRISTMAS PARTY

## EDITORIAL

Late in the evening on Thursday, ebruary 3rd, we lost SARAH BROWN. For most of us, our last memory of SARAH was at the Christmas Party. She gave no inkling that the very serious physical conditions that were always with her would soon put her in the hospital for a fatal stay. Being a with hemophiliac, coupled her delicate health she was a time bomb that could be set off by a sneeze or a cut finger. She was, however, her same gracious self, sweet and caring. It is no wonder that so many family members and friends considered her to be their best friend.

I saw SARAH for the last time on December 27th. MARILYN, SARAH and I sat around the kitchen table planning the January issue of the Newsletter. As usual, it was as much social as it was work. Over coffee, we talked of all of us getting together at SARAH's in Florida. But fate would have it otherwise.

it is incomprehensible that we won't see SARAH at our club meetings. She worked tirelessly on the picnic, the Christmas Party, the Annual Show and cheerfully served on many ad hoc committees. At club auctions she could be counted on to say, when JIM BOYLES couldn't get a single response on a lot, "Oh what the heck" and make a bid on something she had no need of.

Sarah was a true stamp collector spending countless hours with her albums, attending First Day Ceremonies for new issues, sorting mixtures, and trading stamps, considered a lost art now-a-days.

SARAH was our reporter. Her assignment was to interview members of the Club, taking copious notes which I would then weave into a Newsletter article. She left us with her work unfinished. There were more visits to make, more questions to ask. SARAH was ideally suited to the task. Who would not welcome her into their homes? Who would not open themselves to her?

Naturally life goes on, but its course is altered. Whether by a little or much depends on how close you were to SARAH. I am thankful for the few years that I knew her and resentful that she was taken so soon. Her like may not be amongst us again and the void she left in our ranks will not be filled.

-- Jim Lyman

## ATTENTION MEMBERS

The program committee is looking for patron listings as always. It's a bargain and for a good cause. NO IN-FLATION! Still \$5.00 per name. If you can't give money at the meeting, you can send it to LUCY EYSTER, 1839 Rockford Lane, Lancaster, PA 17601. When mailing your Patron Listing, be sure you print your name exactly the way you want it listed in the 1994 LANCOPEX Program.



All members are urged to get their materials for the upcoming STAMP AUCTION to BEN HELLER. Bring them to the March stamp meeting. BEN will then evaluate them and publish a list of what is for sale at the May Stamp Club Auction. This will allow you to be prepared financially for the auction. The auction will be run the same way it was operated in the past, but the advantage will be knowing in advance what is to be auctioned off.

A special "Thank You" is extended to BEN for volunteering to take on this task.

