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# PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

On behalf of the Lancaster County Philatelic Society, I welcome you to our Eleventh Annual Stamp Show and Exhibition which is held for the first time at the Farm and Home Center. While you are here you simply must review the exhibits. The area stamp collectors took many hours researching and assembling their philatelic specialties. If these exhibits are anything like those in previous years, I am sure you will be impressed, whether you are a lifetime collector or a casual observer.

There is something here for every stamp collector. There are 20 dealers willing to cater to your every need. We encourage children to visit our youth table where they may rummage through some piles of stamps for free samples. The United States Post Office is represented with all kinds of current U.S. stamps for sale.

Last, but not least, stop by the LCPS courtesy table and find out about our club. Pick up a complimentary copy of our newsletter. Feel free to ask any member questions about our club or stamp collecting in general. Various show cachets commemorating the show are available for a small fee.

It took many hands to put together this show and I thank all of them: the exhibitors, judges, dealers, all the members and friends of LCPS who helped with set-up and tear-down of the show, and most of all, YOU - the visitor to this Eleventh Annual Stamp Show and Exhibition, Lancopex '96.

PETER BILLIS
President, LCPS

# SOCIETY OFFICERS

# SOCIETY MEETINGS

The Lancaster County Philatelic Society meets the second Wednesday of every month (except August) at the Lancaster Township Community Center, Lincoln Highway West, Maple Grove, Lancaster, PA. Meetings start at 7:30 P.M.

Guests are always welcome and membership is open to all stamp collectors regardless of expertise.

Membership information may be obtained at the courtesy table today or by writing to Lancaster County Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 982, Lancaster, PA 17608-0982.

# LANCOPEX '96 CACHETS AND CANCELLATIONS

# ONE HUNDRED FIFTY YEARS AGO . .

. . . two charters were issued that helped shape the course of our nation. One charter was the beginning of the Pennsylvania Railroad; the other was the beginning of the Smithsonian Institution. Lancopex '96 is pleased to acknowledge these two mighty forces in the history of the United States and the world.

# Pennsylvania Railroad

Railroad enthusiasts are aware that 1996 is the sesquicentennial of the chartering of the Pennsylvania On April 13, 1846 the Pennsylvania Railroad was Railroad. authorized by the Pennsylvania legislature to build a railroad between Harrisburg and Pittsburgh. From that beginning the Pennsylvania Railroad quickly grew into a massive industrial power (the largest corporation in the world at that time) constructing routes that were engineering wonders and buying rail lines that connected New York with Chicago and St. Louis. Throughout the country over half a million people were employed by the PRR when the late 1800's and the early 1900's were the glory days for the railroad. While the growth of railroads brought the extinction of canal transportation, so the increased number of automobiles and trucks after World War II signaled the decline of the railroad industry. In 1968 the PRR merged with the New York Central in a vain attempt to save both companies. The ensuing Penn Central filed for bankruptcy in 1970 with pieces divided between Conrail and Amtrak. Various programs are planned throughout the state to remember this former transportation qiant. Locally, the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania in Strasburg will celebrate Pennsylvania Railroad Days, June 8-9, 1996, with activities and exhibits designed to inform everyone about the Pennsylvania Railroad story.

# Smithsonian Institution

Lancopex '96 is pleased to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, DC. James Smithson, a prominent English chemist and mineralogist of his day, willed his fortune (approximately \$500,000) "to the United States of America, to found at Washington, under the name of the Smithsonian Institution, an

establishment for the increase and diffusion of knowledge among men." At the time of the bequest members of Congress debated whether the federal government had the power to accept such a gift and it was largely through the efforts of John Quincy Adams that in 1846 the institution was established. The Smithsonian has been described as America's attic with maybe 1% of its treasures on public display at any From the original building designed by James Renwick the Smithsonian has grown and now has museums, galleries, and research facilities. Of particular interest to philatelists is the National Postal Museum which opened on July 30, 1993 and is worth an annual visit to see the changing displays. If you are visiting Washington, DC this summer you also can see, beginning July 28 at the Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, a display of ancient statuary unearthed near Amman, Jordan. Stamps issued featuring the Smithsonian Institute are Scott numbers 943, 1838, and 3059 (this year's February 7 issue).

### TWO HUNDRED FIFTY YEARS AGO

# Linden Hall

1996 marks the 250th anniversary of the founding in Lititz of This institution is the oldest girls boarding Linden Hall. school in the United States. Before the town of Lititz had a name a local farmer donated four acres of land to the Moravian Church for the establishment of a Gemeinhaus - a building to serve as a chapel, parsonage, and school. Dedication of the land was in 1746 and two years later the first session of the school was composed of four boys and three girls as students and one teacher, Elizabeth Schnell, wife of the pastor. From that humble beginning 250 years ago, the current Linden Hall, situated on 50 acres of land in the heart of Lititz, has evolved to an enrollment of 100 girls from all over the world (grades 6 through 12) with approximately 65 of them boarding students. Lancopex '96 honors this school which strives through a college preparatory program to graduate confident young women able to face today's world with knowledge and spiritual strength.



# **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit	#	# Frames
1	"Azores" Stamps used in the former Portuguese colony of the Azores prior to 1931 -Gordon Miller	5
2	"Kansas/Nebraska Overprints" -John Hufnagel	5
3	"Now You See It, Now You Don't" Holography in philately	2
	-Lucy Eyster	
4	"Exporta Stamps of Mexico" Varieties of all the Exporta stamps -William Greiner	2
5	"Great Britain 1855-1881" A showing of all plates with usage, usage abroad, and overprints	2
	-Richard Colberg	
6	"Buildings" All types of buildings; both residential and commercial	2
	-David Strayer	
7	"Schuylkill County Postal Markings 1829- 1910"	3
	-Jerry Laconis	
8	"Postmarks of Lancaster Pa. 1785-1899" Representative postmarks of Lancaster city. Exhibit traces the postal history of Lancaster	5
	-James Boyles	
9	"Conestoga Wagons and Cachets" First day covers of the Conestoga wagon 3 cent stamp -James Boyles	3
10	"Postal Markings of Lancaster County 1800- 1899" Overview of postal markings of Lancaster county towns and post offices (noncompetitive) -James Boyles	2

11	"The World of Orchids orchids on stamps and		3
		-Lorrene Blauch	
12	"Antarctica"	-Don Smith	2

# JUNIOR EXHIBITS

Exhibit	#		# Frames
13	"Sports"	-Zachre Simonetti	1/2
14	"Bears"	-Amy Haynes	1/2
15	"Horses"	-Samantha Pickup	1/2
16	"Facts, Places, Faces	of Pennsylvania" -Tim Socha	3
17	"Animals"	-Allen Heyler	1/2
18	"Let's Travel Down the	e Road" -Kate Dettinger	1
19	"Cats"	-Sara McDonaugh	1/2
20	"A Watery School"	-Katherine Foor	1
21	"Flowers"	-Heidi Myers	1/2
22	"Magical World of Disr	ney" -Tori Wood	3

# LANCOPEX '96 JUDGES

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### AWARDS

CDAND AWARD	Best Exhibit, All Entries
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RESERVE GRAND AWARD	Best Exhibit by Federation
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AWARD	Club Member
LCPS AWARD	Best Exhibit by a LCPS Member
ADG AWARD	Best APS Member Exhibit
TOPICAL AWARD	Best Topical Exhibit
TOPICAL AWARD	Best Exhibit by a First Time
NOVICE AWARD	Exhibitor
JUNIOR AWARD	Best Exhibit by a Junior
PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD	Exhibit Voted Most Popular by
THOTEL & GITTE	Lancopex '96 Viewers
TIBLIANG DEODIELS CHOICE -	Junior Exhibit Voted Most
	Popular by Viewers
AWARD	Popular by viewers
OTHER AWARDS	As Determined by the Judges
CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPAT	TION-All Exhibitors

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-Lancopex '96 dealers for their support.

-The exhibition judges for donating their time and expertise.

-Exhibitors for sharing their philatelic interests and talent.

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-Mary Ann Lutz, Dr. Paul Ripple, and Al Taft for the cachet drawings of Linden Hall and the Smithsonian Institute.

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-Milly and Reid Slick for Grand Award and Reserve Grand Award plagues.

-Members of the Lancaster County Philatelic Society who donated their time and effort to make Lancopex '96 a success.

# SHOW SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 1996
8:00A.M9:00A.MSet up exhibits
10:00A.MShow and bourse open
A.MJudging of exhibits
1:00P.MJudges critique and
awards presentation
6:00P.MShow and bourse close
SUNDAY, MAY 5, 1996

10:00A.M. -----Show and bourse open 5:00P.M. -----Show and bourse close

# EXHIBITION COMMITTEE

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