

This 'n That

Lucky in February

Eugene Finegan was the lucky winner of the 50/50 for \$24. Dot Aument and Mrs. Dick Bishop won little white sorting boxes as door prizes.

February's Faces

Earl Carver surprised us by presenting a program on Faces. The surprise being that many of us expected something far-fetched - like his sense of humor. His myriad of faces included many well-known personalities, accompanied with his predictable quips. Thanks, Earl, for a fun evening.

Health and Welfare

We're pleased to know Gene Sowers is home and much improved. At this writing, John Long is also home but making a slow recovery. News is also heartening about Leo Frantz who is experiencing chemo sessions and we all pray for a full recovery for him. In a shortened trip to visit grandchildren, Howard Steinberg made an unexpected stay in a Texas hospital. He's home now and again kicking his heels after a bout with a blood clot in his leg.

Commercial Time-Out

Set up and selling were the Moyers, Dede Schaeffer, Jim Ward, the Bishops and Mike Middleton. Jim reminds us he found a few more of the huge tomes, A Century of Postcards. It has 2000 cards in color with their messages. It's discounted to \$25. poster board makers, he's found a source for those little transparent 12" rulers with a T-square end. For \$3, they definitely shorten time spent on exhibit board layouts.

Recipe Book Two

Betty Beck has already received two new recipes for the club's Recipe Book 2002, expected to be given, once again, to those members attending the Christmas dinner meeting.

Wedded Bliss

It was nice to see Leona and Harold Rineer in regular attendance again. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in February.

Unsung Heroes

Thanks go to John Rodkey for the audit of the Treasurer's books for 2001. Doug Milliken also kindly copied the revised by-laws onto a floppy disk. Paper copies are available if you see Pres. Tom Beck. Thanks, Doug.

Interestingly, no one at the meeting asked for a copy of the by-laws. We've managed, for more than 12 years, with little reference to them. We've also managed to survive without ever having a budget. Maybe these are two signs of a successful club – one that keeps politics and correctness to a minimum.

Directors Meet

A directors meeting is scheduled for March 16 at 7 PM at the president and past president's home. How often do you hear *that* one?

Expo Up-date

Jere Greider reminded us of the club's biggest event of the year, the Annual Expo. It will again be the third Saturday in August – Aug. 17, in the Farm & Home Center – our meeting room, expanded. It's also time to think about themes for the exhibit boards. If you have any ideas, bring them to the March meeting.

John Klein Postcards



Exit 21 Pa. Turnpike Saturday 10-5 Sunday 8-5

LOCAL VIEWS NEEDED

On the heels of its mammoth history, *Manheim Revisited*, the Manheim Historical Society will be publishing, in the near future, a pictorial book showing local history through postcards. It is interested in hearing from LCPC members who may have cards to lend. Views should be of Manheim Borough, Penn Twp. and Ralph Twp. Contact Bea Kreiner at 665-7989. LCPC's members active in the Manheim group are Harold Galebach and John Blanck.

Future Shows

March 16 York Book and Paper Show, York Expo Center (Fairgrounds) 9:30-4

March 16 Maryland Historical Society, Towson, MD March 22-23 Morlatton Post Card Club Inc. Farm & Home Center, Lancaster, 10-6 and 10-4 (see pd. adv.) April 27-28 Great Eastern Antique Book, Paper & Adv. Show, Allentown, Ag Hall, Fairgrounds, 9:30-5.

Windows Two

Jim Ward had pages showing more than 400 cards for our volume two of *Windows to Our Past* at the Feb. meeting. The remaining 100 should be finished in 60 days. Calls for the original cards will be some time in May. These will be scanned by the printer and returned in ten days.

Cover Cards

In case you hadn't found the common denominator on this month's cover, it's shamrocks – either mentioned in text on the central theme on the card.

<u>Top row</u>: #403B from Stecher, "There's a dear little plant that grows on our Isle..."

Stecher #39D, She pins a sprig on her beau's blouse. "...Born in the land where the shamrock grew..." by an unknown printer.

Middle row: International's #4153 "Gather ye shamrock while ye may..."

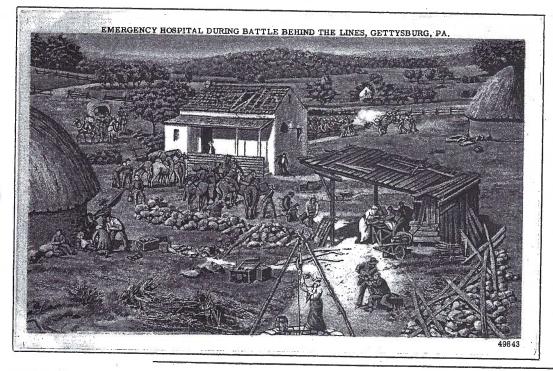
"...For the shamrocks everlasting." Unknown printer. Stecher's #39C, She throws a bouquet to her beau. Bottom row: An Ellen Clapsaddle original for International, "And its, O, the green Shamrock." #403C from Stecher, "The dear little Shamrock..." N.P.O. from Belfast shows Ireland's coat of arms, swallows with shamrocks and an attached bag of actual shamrock seed!

Another of Clapsaddle's girls for International PC Co.

March Program

Jim Ristine is a student of the Civil War with particular interest in the Battle of Gettysburg. He has assembled enough knowledge and postcards to have a book published by Arcadia Press. At two of the York Post Card Club's meetings in 2001, Jim presented programs on the battle at Gettysburg and the monuments on the Gettysburg battlefield. He has offered to condense these two programs into one slide presentation for us in March.

Several of us belong to both clubs. We can vouch for the fact that this will be a genuine evening of fascinating and enlightening history of our country during its darkest days. There will be aspects of the Civil War that are new to you. They will be presented through postcards. You should enjoy the program.



The emergency hospital behind the lines shows crude first aid medical treatment of the troops wounded in Pickett's Charge. The painting is by Paul Philippoteaux and was part of the display in the Cyclorama at Gettysburg when this linen card was published in the 1940s by N.A.Meligakes of Gettysburg.

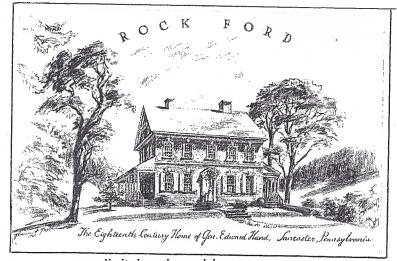
Postcards in Coloring Book

In 1957, General Edward Hand's country estate, Rock Ford, was saved from complete destruction. The Junior League of Lancaster spearheaded a restoration project that became the Rock Ford Foundation in 1958. The property, a mile south of Lancaster, was opened to the public in 1960. Local artist, Florence Taylor, no doubt to help promote the building project, had published the black and white postcard shown on the right.

We've also seen four other b/w PCs by the famed local artist. These are noted in the checklist, "Drawing by FST." The postcards are also on page 4.

These latter views are from her *Rock Ford Coloring Book*. The 8 ½" x 11" booklet is undated but believed to be from the early 1960s. Two cards have been found postally used in 1963 and 1975.

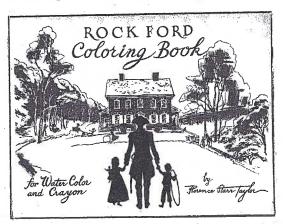
You may have these same postcards partially colored with crayon or paint. The four cards have also been found on blue stock. Rock Ford, for years, has been giving the four postcards to Girl Scout groups that tour the site. You may write, with a #10 SASE, to Rock Ford, 881 Rock Ford Rd., Lancaster, PA. 17602. Enclose \$1 for each set of four. They have



a very limited supply remaining.

Tours are from April thru October, Tues. to Fri., 10 to 4 and Saturdays, noon to 4. Check their informative website at www.rockfordplantation.org.

On this page is the front cover of the coloring book by Florence Taylor as well as the four pages that were published as black and white postcards, ready for coloring.



The front cover of the coloring book

Rockford Postcard Checklist

(Printer and/or Publisher, followed by description) **Colortype (b/w)**

No # Rockford, Lanc. Pa.

No. # Indian Rock (Plaque erected 1912 by the Lancaster County Historical Society near Rockford)

D. B. Landis/Elvin G. Landis

No. # Rockford, Old Home of Gen. Edward Hand (Exist w and w/o 1908 date in b/w and pink tone.)

Dexter for Mel Horst

#47226-B (kitchen, blue chairs)

Dexter for James E. Hess

#47226-B (kitchen)

#47227-B (dining room, yellow walls)

#47228-B (stair well, two lady guides)

#77909-B (gift shop)

#77910-B (bedroom, red bed cover)

#77911-B (dining room, blue-green walls)

#77912-B (dining room, green walls)

#77913-B (bedroom, white bed cover)

Koppel for James E. Hess

#25276 (exterior rear view)

Koppel for Stel-Mar

#106680 (dining room)

#107852 (portrait of Edward Hand)

#107853 (dining room, yellow drapes)

#107854 (dining room, red drapes)

#134830 (kitchen, stained chairs)

#135304 (exterior front view)

Unknown German imprint for I. Steinfeldt

No. # Residence of Gen'l HAND, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence ...

(Note – The above caption is incorrect. Hand was <u>not</u> a signer of the Declaration of Independence.)

"Original Art by Florence Starr Taylor" (pg. 3)
Rockford...The Eighteenth Century Home of Gen.....

(exterior front view)

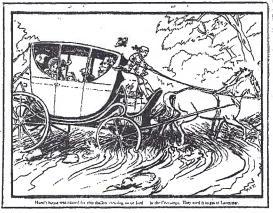
"Drawing by Florence Starr Taylor" (pg. 4)

Crossing the creek at ROCK FORD...

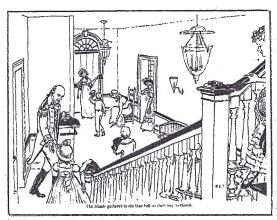
Leaving for church at ROCK FORD...

Tea by the fire at ROCK FORD...

Warming the bed in the children's room, ROCK...



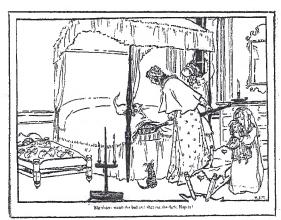
Hand's house was named for this shallow crossing – or ford – in the Conestoga. They used it to get to Lancaster.



The Hands gathered in the blue hall on their way to church.



The children loved a cozy tea in the blue parlor by the fire.



Big sisters warm the bed and shut out the dark. Hop in!

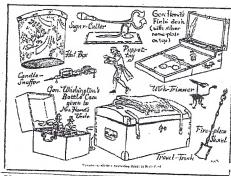
Rock Ford Postcards continued

Florence Starr Taylor, on the introductory page to her coloring book, reminds her young readers who the members were in the Hand family.

When they moved into Rock Ford, Sally was 18, Dorothy 16, John 11, Jasper 9, Mary 7, Margaret 4 and little Edward 1 1/2 years old. On this page are the remaining pages in her coloring book. The Hand family lived there from 1794 to 1802. As far as we know, none of these to-be-colored scenes have been found as postcards.



The Conestoga was handy for fishing – or sailing toy boats with feather sails.



You can see all these interesting things at Rock Ford.



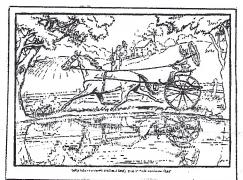
The General's homecoming was always exciting.



They happily made their own music.



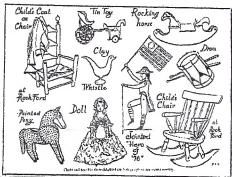
Dr. Hand tells Edward a war story. His medicine-case is on the window-seat.



Sally takes the creek road at a lively pace in their one-horse chair.



The Hands' own sheep provided wool for their clothing. Even little Molly helped with the spinning.



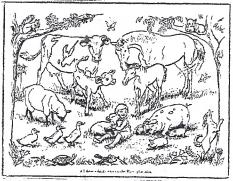
Chairs and toys like these delighted the little people of our young country.



What fun the Conestoga creek gave the whole family - especially when it froze over.



Afterwards Margaret toasts herself by the kitchen fire - not one big fire but a little one for each pot.



All these animals were on the Hand plantation.

MEMBERSHIP

#479 Esther Rebman 300 Willow Valley Lakes Dr. C-402. Willow Street, PA. 17584. Ph. 717-464-0671. . Welcome back, Esther. Esther is renewing her membership. She has a general interest in postcards. #624 Harriet Snyder 109 Nectar Terrace, Lancaster, PA. 17602. Ph. 717-464-0376. Likes Lancaster city and county and has a general interest in cards. #625 Shirley Pierce 1621 W. Main St., Ephrata, PA.

17522. Ph. 717-733-3180. Shirley joins husband, Elmer, in collecting northern Lancaster County, especially the Ephrata area.

#626 Gladys Stephens, RR1, Box 1069, Starrucca, PA 18462-9703.Ph. 570-727-2891. She likes covered bridges, 1-room schools, state capitols and symbols, farm life, barns and presidential libraries.

#627 Martha Grove, 623 Longwood Ct., Edgewood, MD 21040. No phone listed. Collects covered bridges, lighthouses and general interest.

#628 Karin Meacham, 319 N. Queen St., Lancaster, PA. 17603. Ph. 717-394-4133. General interest.

#629 The Lancaster County Historical Society 230 President Ave., Lancaster PA 17603 Ph. 717-392-4633. Local. Visit the web site at http://lanclio.org. These good folks bring our paid membership to 323.

PLEASE NOTE - Our club's membership year ends in March, so this will be your last issue of The Card if you haven't sent your dues. Please remit with your check made to LCPC; \$8 for membership, \$2 for each additional member at the same address. Past presidents of LCPC have just been awarded lifetime honorary membership. Their spouses should remit \$8. Send your check to Gisela Withers, P. O. Box 191, Geigertown, PA 19523.

MONTHLY EXHIBITS

Here in South Central PA we've had a mild winter (and much too dry). It has been advantageous for moving about, so our winter attendance has been up to par. There were 65 members and guests at the February meeting. This included several guests who joined (most of them do, once they've experienced a meeting). We were also pleased to have Betty and Tom Beck's houseguest with us again. Marilu Cabezas is a 15-year old student from Ecuador.

Ruth Moyer, with her brief description of each board, added to the enjoyment of the month's displays. The subject was BLACK for Black History month. Subjects were varied and much appreciated by the enthusiastic audience.

Sandra Shaub Blackboard Harold Moyer Second You Sure Is Funny Joe Myers Third Black Days of the London Blitz **Honorable Mentions**

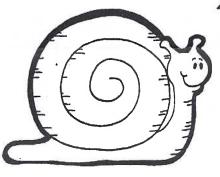
Earl Carver Black Mail Mary Darrenkamp All Aboard Susan Glass **Black Cats** Doug Milliken Full Moons Walter Mowrer Black Bears Dede Schaeffer Black

Jim Ward Once Negro Children, Now Black Kids Thanks to all of the participants. Keep in mind the next few topics: March board - Green; April single card - Smiling Faces and May board - the letter "B". A complete list for the year is in the Feb. Card.

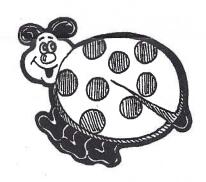
You can pick up your postcard pages, sleeves and little postcard sorting boxes (75¢ ea.) at the Morlatton Show; Mar 22-23.I'll be at Leo Frantz's booth helping Helma. We pray for Leo's quick recovery. Jim Ward.

MORLATTON POST CARD CLUB INC.

27th Spring Postcard Show



Farm and Home Center 1383 Arcadia Road Lancaster, PA 17603 (off Manheim Pike Rte. 72)



Friday, March 22, 2002 - 10 A.M. to 6 P.M. Saturday, March 23, 2002 - 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

> Admission \$1.50 (25 cents off with ad)

For more information call Kay Feight, (717) 263-1638 Leon Rowe, (610) 444-0641