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G. C. S. NEWLETTER

GAY COORDINATING SOCIETY OF BERKS COUNTY, PA.

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--Our next business meeting will be Saturday, April 26th, 8:00 P.M. at Jerry's Farmhouse on Pricetown Road in Pricetown. If you need further information on how to get there call Jerry at 987-6634 or see last month's newsletter for map.

--For correspondence, we now have our Post Office Box. If you have any questions or suggestions, direct them to G.C.S., P.O. Box 5, Fleetwood, Pa. 19522.

--A reminder for those who have not done so -- we need money to keep us going!!! There are no dues or fees for G.C.S. membership, but all donations are more than welcome!!! There are a lot of future projects your G.C.S. would like to get started on, but unfortunately "all the good things in life are not free". DIG DEEP!!!

--Performing Arts Group Reports:

co-chairpersons, Jim & Joe

Jim or Joe have info regarding the following performances. If you need help with reservations, etc., contact them at 372-2390.

At the Genesis Theatre in Reading:

(153 N. 10th Street) (Phone: 372-3300)

May 24th - "Plain Betsy"

June 28th - "George M. Cohan"

August 2nd - "Jesus Christ Superstar"

In New York:

til May 3rd - "Raisin"

Lunt-Fontanne Theatre

205 W. 46th St.

Phone: 354-6724 or 354-1032

"Good Time Charlie" with Joel Gray
Palace Theatre

Broadway at 47th St. (Phone: 564-4710)

"In Gay Company" (Hit Musical)
Upstairs at Jimmy's Theatre
33 W. 52nd St.
Phone 247-7132

April 22 to May 24 - "Bolshoi Ballet"
Metropolitan Opera House
Phone: 787-3880

Thru May 31st - National Theatre
of Great Britain
"The Misanthrope"
St. James Theatre
44th St. West of Broadway
Phone 354-8414

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--Thought you might like to know about some of the supportive agencies around you:

GAY AGENCIES

Gay Female Alcoholics
call: 277-0204 or 345-7380

Gay Switchboard
call: 978-5700

Amazon Country, Lesbian/fem-
inist Radio Show
alternate Sundays at 1:30 P.M.
WXPN-FM 88.9

Handicapped Gays
call Gay Switchboard: 978-5700

Lesbian Hotline
call: SA 9-2001

American Civil Liberties Union
legal advice for arrests and
cases of discrimination
call: PE 5-7103

Gay Nurses Alliance
P.O. Box 5687
Philadelphia, Pa. 19129

Eromin Center, Inc. (profes-
sional counseling for sexual
minorities) call: 732-3212

Sunshine Gaydream, Gay Men's
radio show
alternate Sundays at 1:30 P.M.
WXPN-FM 88.9

"Gayzette, the Weekly Phila-
delphia"
Box 15786
Philadelphia, Pa. 19103

--If you would like a copy of last month's G.C.S. newsletter which contains a list of all the clubs and committees active within G.C.S. -- and there are quite a few -- send your request care of the new box number and we'll be sure to send you one.

SEE YOU AT THE MEETING!! REMEMBER, YOUR G.C.S. CAN ONLY BE EFFECTIVE WITH YOUR SUPPORT!!!

G.C.S. WOULD LIKE TO WISH JERRY YODER THE BEST OF LUCK ON THE PENNSYLVANIA DUTCH FOLK ART COMMEMORATIVE STAMP HE PROPOSED.

Berks Man's Stamp Design Considered for Bicentennial

By SAM PROCOPIO
Eagle Staff Writer

Within the next month or two, Gerald H. Yoder of Oley should learn whether his proposed Pennsylvania Dutch Folk Art commemorative stamp will be approved.

Late this year, the U.S. Postal Service will be issuing stamps for the 1976 Bicentennial celebration and the Oley Valley Historical Society president is hopeful that his design will be selected.

"It would be highly appropriate for the United States

Postal Service to include this handsome stamp among those honoring the arts to be issued during the Bicentennial Era," Gov. Milton J. Shapp wrote on behalf of Mr. Yoder's idea.

Gov. Shapp added in his letter to Mary Margaret Jamieson, executive director, Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee, U.S. Postal Service, Washington:

"We are proud of our rich cultural history in Pennsylvania which has produced generations of outstanding musicians, actors and actresses, dancers, writers, poets and craftsmen. The Pennsylvania Dutch Folk Art has been and continues to be an important, vigorous segment of our cultural heritage."

Mr. Yoder, who has been working hard to get the necessary support for approval of the stamp, noted that President Ford has referred the

stamp design to the postmaster general.

In a letter received from Norman S. Halliday, assistant postmaster general, Mr. Yoder was informed that the stamp presentation was "very good" and that it would be given "careful consideration."

Mr. Yoder received a phone call from the state bicentennial committee, assuring him that the committee would write to Miss Jamieson in support of the stamp.

While the county commissioners agreed to adopt a proclamation in support of a stamp, Commissioner Vernon K. Shaffer wrote the office of the postmaster general that he or the commissioners would be willing to "appear before the committee if necessary."

Sen. Hugh Scott, who wrote in support of Mr. Yoder's stamp, received a reply from John C. Lintner, senior representative of the government

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PENNSYLVANIA DUTCH FOLK ART



UNITED STATES 10^c

Proposed Folk Art Commemorative

This is the commemorative Pennsylvania Dutch Folk Art stamp which is being considered by the U.S. Postal Service for the 1976 Bicentennial. Gerald H. Yoder of Oley, who designed the stamp, has received the support of the county commissioners, Gov. Milton J. Shapp and others and is now seeking citizen support to have the stamp approved.