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# WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB

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**Meeting Day/Time:** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays – Noon to 4 P.M.  
**Business Meeting:** 2 P.M. (MAY- 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday only),  
(JUNE, JULY, AUGUST 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday only).

**Meeting Place:** Churchill Borough Building  
2300 William Penn Highway  
Churchill, PA.

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### \*\*\* CIRCUIT BOOKS \*\*\*

Circuit books are available at every meeting. Members are encouraged to examine the circuit books, except when business meeting is in progress, to find items for their collection(s).

Circuit books contain stamps, covers, etc. You never know what you will find and based on what you see, you may even decide to start a new collection.

## Meeting September 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>

October 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> – November 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>

Cookies and coffee are available at the meetings.  
Color TV available for the Pittsburgh Steelers Games

### September 10th MEETING:

Regular business meeting.

### September 24th MEETING:

Regular business meeting. After the meeting there will be a "SHOW AND TELL" program. Bring a favorite stamp, cover, postal history item, etc. and share it with members in attendance.

### OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES:

**October 22<sup>nd</sup>** – An auction will be held after the business meeting. Bring items you wish to sell to the meeting. If sold, you keep 100% of the selling price.

**November 26<sup>th</sup>** – A Slide Show program is being scheduled. Subject to be announced.

**A FRIENDLY REMINDER....Annual dues are due....As of 08/28/2006, dues have not been received for members on this list. Dues are \$8.00 for the first family member. Dues are \$4.00 for each additional member at the same address. Dues are \$2.00 for junior members, 16 and under. You can pay your dues at the meetings or you can mail them to the address at the top of this newsletter. Thank you!**

MEM #	FIRST NAME	MI	LAST NAME	MEM #	FIRST NAME	MI	LAST NAME
012	Paul		Dugita	246	Scott	A	Hill
024	Lucille	M	Santella	257	William	R	Whigham
065	Alice		Brasch	265	Robert	W	Eshbaugh
189	Paul	G	Burda	266	Margaret		Eshbaugh
214	Mark	R	McCormick	272	Paul	MH	Lienhardt
228	Cookie		Sisco	273	Sheron	B	Hunter
229	Geoff		Buchanan	276	Henry	R	Sulkowski
238	Elizabeth	E	Sulkowski				

**WELCOME NEW MEMBER:**

Please welcome new member Doug Weisz. Doug has recently moved from the Chicago area to the Pittsburgh area. Doug is a dealer in U.S. Covers and Stationary. When you see him at the meetings, give him a warm welcome.

**LOCAL AREA STAMP CLUBS:**

Other local area stamp clubs include The Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh, the Westmoreland County Philatelic Society and the Butler County Philatelic Society. For information on these clubs please see our website.

**UPCOMING AREA SHOWS (Please see our website for these and additional shows):**

**SEPTEMBER 1 - 3 - BALTIMORE, MD – BALPEX, Marriott Hunt Valley Inn, 245 Shawan Rd. Hunt Valley, MD**  
Exit 20E off I-83. Baltimore Philatelic Society.  
Bourse Hours: 10AM – 6 PM (Friday & Saturday); 10AM – 4PM (Sunday). ADMISSION

**SEPTEMBER 16 –NORTH HUNTINGDON, PA – WESCOPEX 2006, Circleville Firehall, 129 Robbins Station Road.**  
Bourse Hours: 10AM – 5PM (Saturday). U.S. Postal Station

**SEPTEMBER 8 – 10 – KING OF PRUSSIA, PA – Philadelphia National Stamp Exhibition, Valley Forge Convention Center, 1160 First Avenue.**  
Bourse Hours: 11AM – 6PM (Friday); 10AM – 6PM (Saturday); 10AM – 3PM (Sunday).

**NEW VENUE FOR WILKPEX 2007**

THE CLUB HAS MOVED THE SHOW FROM WILKINS TOWNSHIP ELKS, WHERE IT WAS HELD FOR THE PAST 2 YEARS TO:

**GARDEN CITY HALL, INC. LOCATED AT 600 GARDEN CITY DRIVE, MONROEVILLE, PA 15146.**

**THIS FACILITY SERVES AS A FIRE HALL, WITH A 4800 SQUARE FOOT AREA (60' BY 80') WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY 1600 MORE SQUARE FEET THAN THE WILKINS TOWNSHIP ELKS.**

EASY ACCESS VIA THE ROUTE 48 NORTH EXIT FROM I-376 (PARKWAY EAST) OR FROM ROUTE 22 IN MONROEVILLE. **\*\*\* MORE INFORMATION WILL BE AVAILABLE WHEN RECEIVED \*\*\***

A big **“THANK YOU”** to Marty Cooper for locating this venue for hopefully many years to come.

## 2007 SCOTT CATALOGUES ORDERED/RECEIVED:

Andy Novotny has informed the Club that the 2007 Scott catalogues have been ordered. There are six (6) volumes plus the U.S. Specialized. Four (4) volumes have been published, shipped and received. The remaining volumes will be available when published and shipped.

## DID YOU KNOW - INTERESTING PHILATELIC FACT:

Some of this information is from Linn's Stamp News

According to The United States Commemorative Stamps of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century, Volume 2, by Max G. Johl, the stamp subjects for the 1940 Famous Americans set were assigned to the stamps in chronological BIRTH ORDER!

For example: In the Educator set of 5, Horace Mann, born in 1796, is on the 1-cent stamp; Mark Hopkins, born in 1802, is on the 2-cent stamp; Charles W. Eliot, born in 1834, is on the 3-cent stamp; Francis E. Williard, born in 1839, is on the 5-cent stamp; and Booker T. Washington, born in 1839, is on the 10-cent stamp.

There were some contemporary complaints about which educator would up on what stamp. Some collectors and alumni complained that Hopkins, the former president of Williams College, should have been on the 3-cent purple (actually bright-red-violet) stamp and Eliot, the former president of Harvard should have been on the 2-cent red (actually rose-carmine) stamp, to match each school's respective colors.

It should also be noted, that Booker T. Washington was the first black (African-American) to appear on a United States postage stamp.



## ANSWER TO THE TRIVIA QUESTIONS IN THE JULY-AUGUST, 2006 NEWSLETTER:

### **Questions:**

Stamps issued from Belgium from 1893 to 1913 had se-tenant tabs attached with a phrase both French and Flemish:

In French: NE PAS LIVRER LE MIMANCHE

In Flemish: NIET BESTELLEN OP ZONTAG

1. What do those phrases mean in English?
2. What are these issues called?

### **Answers:**

1. **The phrases mean (in effect) "Don't Deliver on Sunday"**
2. **These issues were called "DOMINICALS" (by collectors)**

See "TOM'S TOPICS" ON Page 4 for article about these stamps.

**"TOM'S TOPICS" from your Treasurer, Tom Reiff  
SHORT ARTICLES RELATING TO PHILATELY: NEWS, STAMPS,  
POSTAL HISTORY, COLLECTIONS, ETC.**

**\*\*\* DON'T DELIVER ON SUNDAY – THE BELGIAN "DOMINICALS" \*\*\*  
(See stamp images of these types of stamps at the top of this Newsletter)**

Belgian stamps issued from 1893 to 1913 had se-tenant tabs and are called "dominicals". Leaving the label/tab intact meant that the letter would not be delivered on a Sunday. If you had no objection to Sunday delivery, you could remove the label/tab. You don't get service like that today.

In 1893, the Belgian Post Office issued its first "Never on Sunday" stamps, a definitive set featuring the country's coat of arms on the first five values and King Leopold II on the remaining values.

The designs are not very pretty but were the first stamps featuring the Belgian coat of arms and had a "label" or "tab" attached in French (NE PAS LIVRER DE DIMANCHE) and Flemish (NIET BESTELLEN OP ZONTAG) indicating, in effect "Don't Deliver on Sunday".

What appeared to have caused this was that the Roman Catholic Church and possibly Protestants as well, exerted their influence of "optional" Sunday delivery, at least in Belgium.

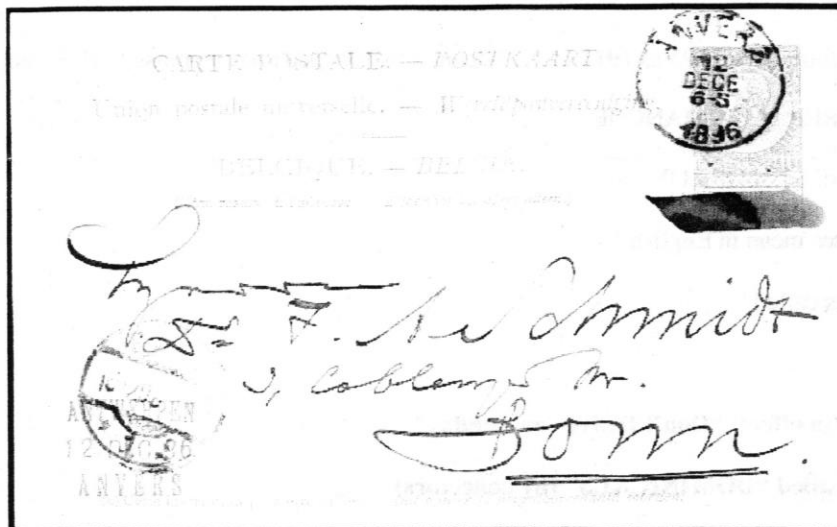
If a Christian who wished to keep the Sabbath holy could buy one of the tabbed stamps, known among collectors as "Dominical" stamps, and put the complete stamp with label (tab) on the article to be mailed and ensure that it would not be delivered on a Sunday.

However, if the sender was not particularly devout, and liked the idea of Sunday delivery, or just didn't care one way or the other, he or she could buy the tabbed stamp, tear off the label (tab), put only the stamp on the article to be mailed, which would then be delivered on a Sunday, if that was the next possible day.

Belgium's first pictorial stamps were the three values of the Brussels Exhibition Issue of 1896-97, tabbed stamps featuring two allegorical images of St. Michael fighting Satan in the form of a dragon.

Belgium's "Never on Sunday" stamps had a relatively brief life. In 1910 and 1911, three sets of semi-postal stamps, Belgium's first, were issued in the "Never on Sunday" format. The last Belgian Dominical stamp was issued in 1913.

Dominical postal cards were also issued. As the stamp was pre-printed, the dominical "label/tab" could not be torn off without damaging the postal card, so the sender simply crossed out the "label/tab" image if (s)he preferred Sunday delivery, or left it alone if (s)he wanted to keep the Sabbath holy, or didn't care one way or the other.



**POSTAL CARD POSTMARKED ANVERS DEC 12, 1896 AND MAILED TO BONN, GERMANY.  
THE "DO NOT DELIVER ON SUNDAY" TAB OBLITERATED AS IT DID NOT APPLY  
WHEN MAILED TO AN ADDRESS OUTSIDE OF BELGIUM**

**"ALWAYS REMEMBER – COLLECT WHAT YOU LIKE AND ENJOY YOUR HOBBY"**