



WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB NEWS

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Wilkinsburg Stamp Club is a member of APS #12293

www.wilkinsburgstampclub.com

Meeting Schedule: **See Below!!!!!!**

WILKPEX 2022 - Friday April 22nd 11 AM – 5 PM; Saturday April 23rd 10 AM – 4 PM – Holiday Park Fire Department, Plum PA.

Christmas Party!

Our only meeting in December will be our Christmas Party on Sunday December 12th, at 2 PM at Puglino's Restaurant in Plum. The key points are:

- The price is \$25 per person, with a choice from 3 entrees – Chicken Piccata, Tour of Italy (Lasagna, chicken parmesan, fettuccini alfredo, meatball, and hot sausage) or BBQ Combo Platter (Pulled pork and BBQ chicken, grilled shrimp served with coleslaw and french fries). Included will be a salad or cup of soup. Drinks are not included.
- The Club will provide appetizers & antipasto salad.
- Guests are welcome.
- Call Danielle to RSVP (412-302-4146) by December 8th with entrée choice and if you'll be paying early (send check to PO Box) or at the event.
- Puglino's is at 1808 Golden Mile Highway (Rt. 286) in Plum, not far from where we held WILKPEX. The website is <https://puglianositaliangrill.com/>.



WSC Meeting Schedule

The January meetings (9th and 23rd) will again be at the Westinghouse Lodge in Forest Hills. We do not know when Churchill will let us back into the Borough Building. It is located at 799 Barclay Ave 15221, just off of Greensburg Pike in Forest Hills. It is a short walk from the parking lot to the building. Directions are at the end of the newsletter. See you there!

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- Circuits – The club is still getting circuits and if you want to get involved please contact Danielle! We also have circuits available at our meetings! Take a look! If you are interested in creating a circuit book please ask Danielle for more information.
- Picnic 2022 – We will plan on having our annual picnic next summer. We will discuss plans and dates in early 2022.
- APS Star Route Medals 2021 – Our Website won an APS Large Silver Star Route Medal and our Newsletter won a Large Vermeil Star Route Medal. We also received some good feedback on how to improve each. Great job Deb and Maureen!

Philatelic News

- The initial USPS 2022 US stamps have been announced!

There are no release dates yet, but one of the first will likely be Chinese New Year, Year of the Tiger, by Camille Chew, the same artist who did the last 2 Chinese New Year Stamps. New Love stamps will be released, as well as one honoring folksinger Pete Seeger. The November 22 2021 issue of Linn's had information on many of the upcoming stamps, and I will feature them each month in the newsletter as they are released.



Member Information

- We are looking to get our membership records and contact info “up-to-date”, so can you please send your current address, phone number and email address to Deb Foltyn? This is vital if you haven’t been to a meeting in a while and/or have moved from the Pittsburgh area. **It is also key to contacting all members in case the meetings change!** You can also mail it to the club’s PO Box! You know, using a stamp? Those tiny artworks? With the sticky stuff on the back?

- David Albert had a fascinating Show & Tell on October 31st:

When stationed in Berlin with the US Air Force in the 1990s he made friends with some Russian Air Force officers, and he had the opportunity to visit Moscow and St Petersburg. He was shown around by some of these officers’ families and friends, and was able to purchase items for his military collection at flea markets and shops. He was able to meet the granddaughter of the Lieutenant General who was Soviet 3rd Ranking Air Ace from WWII, and she presented him with some of his uniform items, including a dress cap.



When leaving the country the Customs officers took most of the medals that he had obtained, but allowed him to keep the cap and some other items. The cap is in beautiful shape and a powerful item to remember WWII and what the Soviet Union did to help beat the Germans.

Collector's Corner

Interesting Fact from David Albert:

Who has the easiest ZIP code to remember (12345) and where is it located?
The General Electric plant in Schenectady, NY.

So I started wondering about other consecutive ZIP codes...

- 54321 – Green Bay, Wisconsin
- 01234 – Sao Paulo, Brazil
- 98765 – Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil
- 11111 – Long Island City NY
- 22222 – Arlington County VA (near DC)
- 33333 – Miami/Fort Lauderdale FL
- 44444 – Newton Falls OH
- 55555 – Young America MN
- 66666 – Assigned to Kansas (not in use)
- 77777 – Bedias, TX
- 88888 – North Pole area of Washington DC
- 99999 – Not in use – largest ZIP Code is 99950 for Ketchikan AK

How many ZIP codes have you lived in? (Maureen has lived in 3 – 15145, 77551, and 11024)

Upcoming Events Nearby

- December 3 – 4 2021 – Worthington Stamp Show and Free F'all – Columbus OH
- March 5 – 6 2022 – McKinley Stamp Club Show – North Canton OH
- March 18 – 19 2022 – Garfield-Perry Stamp Show – Strongsville OH
- April 22 – 23 2022 – WILKPEX – Plum PA
- June 18 – 19 2022 – SCOPEX – Regional stamp show at APS in Bellefonte, PA
- June 19 – 23 2022 – APS Summer Seminar at APS, Bellefonte PA
- July 18 – 22 2022 – Volunteer Work Week at APS – Bellefonte PA
- August 25 – 28 – Great American Stamp Show – Sacramento CA
- October 21 – 23 2022 – AEROPHILATELY 2022 at the APC – Bellefonte PA
- November 2022 – PITTPLEX – Bridgeville PA

Wilkesburg Stamp Club Information:

Meetings – 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. Doors open at 12:30 PM and meetings start at 2:00 PM.

Forest Hills/Westinghouse Lodge, 799 Barclay Ave, Forest Hills PA 15221

All are welcome! Free admission! Free snacks! Stamps! Circuits!

WILKPEX – Our Annual Stamp Show

Friday April 22nd 11 AM – 5 PM; Saturday April 23rd 10 AM – 4 PM – Holiday Park Fire Hall, Plum PA.

Officers:

President: Andy Novotny (novoand@hotmail.com)
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Newsletter:

Original articles for the newsletter can be submitted from any member to Maureen at a meeting or emailed to her (see above) or via regular mail:

Maureen McKeever, 118 Larchwood Drive, Turtle Creek PA 15145.

Club members will be mailed a black and white copy of the newsletter each month. Anyone can request a color copy to be delivered at a meeting, but please let Steve or Chris know ahead of time.



DIRECTIONS AND MAP TO THE FOREST HILLS WESTINGHOUSE LODGE

- (1) From the North: Take I-79 South to Parkway West (Rt. 279). Travel East following signs marked "Rt. 376 Monroeville." Exit the Parkway at the Greensburg Pike exit. At first traffic light, turn left onto Greensburg Pike. Follow Greensburg Pike about two miles. Turn right onto Perry Street after passing yellow brick school. Turn right into the Lodge parking lot.
- (2) From the East: Take the PA Turnpike West to the Monroeville exit. Get on the Parkway East (Rt. 376) heading west toward Pittsburgh. Exit at the Churchill exit. Travel straight ahead (no turns) and at the second traffic light, turn left onto Graham Blvd. Follow Graham to stop sign; turn left onto the Greensburg Pike. Then follow the directions from (1) above.
- (3) From the West: Travel the Parkway West (Rt. 279) toward Pittsburgh and follow directions from (1) above.
- (4) From the South: Take I-79 North, exiting onto the Parkway West (Rt. 279) traveling toward Pittsburgh. Follow directions from (1) above.

