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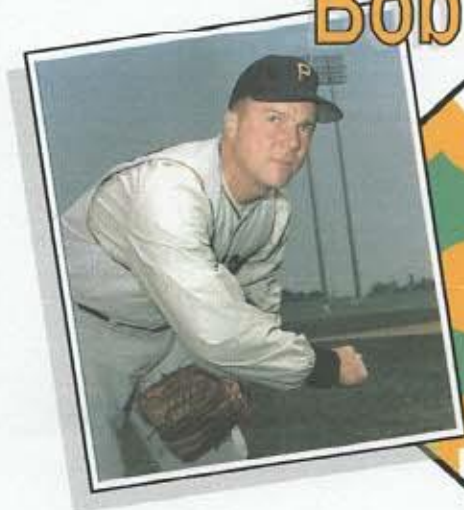
**WILKPEX '13**  
 Wilkinsburg Stamp Club  
*saves... Pittsburgh's*

**Bob Friend and his  
 sinking fastball**

Exhibition Station  
 Monroeville, PA 15146

April 13, 2013

## Bob Friend



**#19**  
 Bob Friend,  
 Born Nov. 24, 1930

Robert Bartmess Friend was born in Lafayette, Indiana. Bob was a right-handed starting pitcher for the Pittsburgh Pirates from 1951 until 1965. He was the first man to lead the National League in ERA while pitching for a last place team.

**WILKPEX 2013 PO Box 239, Apollo, PA 15613-0239**

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**TO YOUR LEFT AND  
 BELOW IS A "PREVIEW"  
 OF OUR 2013 WILKPEX  
 CANCEL, CACHET AND  
 SOUVENIR SHEET. THERE  
 IS A CANCEL FOR BOTH  
 SATURDAY, APRIL 13,  
 2013 (PICTURED) AND  
 SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2013.**

**2013 EXHIBITION SOUVENIR - APRIL 13, 14**

**"NON-QUOTES" FROM "DEAD, THEN ALIVE" FILM CHARACTERS**

REAL PEOPLE ON STAMPS  
 WE NO LONGER PERMIT

FICTIONAL CHARACTERS ALLOWED.  
 DEAD, ALIVE OR "DEAD, THEN ALIVE"

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## WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB - APRIL, 2013

### OFFICERS / ADDRESS / WHEN WE MEET

**President:** Andy Novotny  
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**Secretary:** Tom Reiff      **Treasurer:** Ray Damico

**MAILING ADDRESS:** Wilkinsburg Stamp Club  
P.O. Box 239  
Apollo, PA 15613-0239

We meet on the second and fourth Sunday (except holidays and fourth Sunday in June, July and August) of each month. Meetings are from 12:30 P.M. until close of business, with the business meeting at 2:00 P.M. Meeting at the Churchill Borough Building, 2300 William Penn Hwy, Churchill, PA 15235.

**Newsletter Editor:** Tom Reiff  
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**Assistant Librarian:** Jordan McKelvey

### THE EDITOR WRITES...

Our annual exhibition and bourse is this month. Please try to attend to find some items to add to your collection(s). It will be fun!

### APRIL 2013 MEETING DATES

APRIL 28<sup>th</sup> ONLY (show is on the 14<sup>th</sup>)  
On April 28th we will have "SHOW and TELL" after the meeting. Bring one of your "favorites."

\*\*\* PLEASE JOIN US \*\*\*

This newsletter is published ten times per year. Eight issues are published monthly for the months of January, February, March, April, September, October, November and December. For the months of May through August, two issues are published, one for the months of MAY-JUNE and one for the months of JULY-AUGUST.

### CLUB NEWS

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:** Since the last newsletter we are pleased to announce six new members. Paul R. (Bob) Ginther, Wylie Irwin, Conrad F. and Debbie L. Foltyn, Ellen Boettner and Tim Manka. Bob Ginther and Wylie Irwin are also members of the Westmoreland Stamp club. Conrad is also a member of the APS. Ellen Boettner is also a member of The Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh. Please introduce yourself when you see them at one of our meetings.

**OFFICER ELECTIONS:** Elections for office of Vice-President and Treasurer were at the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. We are happy to report that Laura Kaczynski was elected to Vice-President and Danielle Weaver was elected to Treasurer. They will assume their duties on July 1, 2013. CONGRATULATIONS!

**NEW POSITION:** Jordan McKelvey has volunteered to be our Assistant Librarian. THANK YOU, JORDAN!

### WILKPEX 2013 UPDATE – APRIL 13 & 14

**Dealers:** We currently have 13 dealers using 24 tables. That is 3 more tables than 2012.

**Cachet & Cancel:** Both the cachet and cancel are complete and ready for the show. As stated in previous newsletters, this year is former Pittsburgh Pirates pitching great Bob Friend.

**Souvenir Sheet:** This year's souvenir sheet is "spoofing" LIVE PEOPLE on stamps. It has been printed and will be available at the show.

**Exhibits:** We currently have six members who will be exhibiting and will fill 17 of the 20 frames. The Club will fill the remaining three frames.

**Advertising:** The show ad was in the March APS Journal and will be in the April issue. Linn's Stamp News also has and will have show advertising. Also, show advertising was placed at the Garfield-Perry show in Cleveland on March 15<sup>th</sup>. We, once again, used the "E-MAIL BLAST" from the APS. It was distributed on March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Advance Mailing:** The advance mailing (postcards) were mailed on March 26<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup>.



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(SCOTT #3408q)



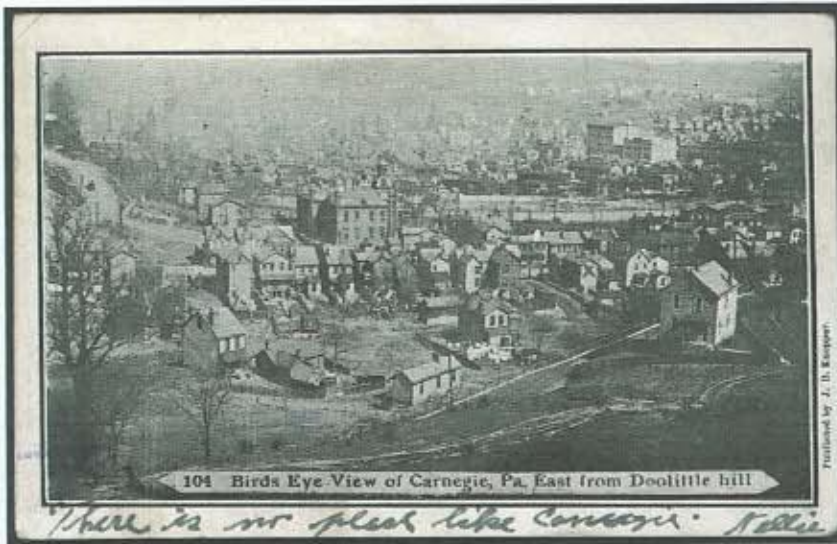
1969 AJMAN - IMPERF



1992 ST. VINCENT AND  
THE GRENADINES  
(SCOTT #1703)



SCARCE POSTCARD DATED POSTMARKED APRIL 19, 1909 ADDRESSED TO  
JOHN P. WAGNER CHICAGO, ILL c/o PITTSBURGH BASEBALL CLUB



BIRDS EYE VIEW OF CARNEGIE, PA – EAST FROM DOOLITTLE HILL

(Postcard from Tom Reiff collection)

Another baseball season is upon us. Many years ago, John P. "Honus" Wagner, one of the Pittsburgh Pirates, graced their fans with his extraordinary talents.

**A BRIEF HISTORY**

Johannes Peter "Honus" Wagner, February 24, 1874 – December 6, 1955) was born to German immigrants Peter and Katheryn Wagner in the Chartiers neighborhood of Pittsburgh which is now a part of the borough of Carnegie, Pennsylvania.

Wagner was one of nine children. As a child, he was called Hans by his mother, which later evolved into Honus. "Hans" was also an alternate nickname during his major league career. Wagner dropped out of school at age twelve to help his father and brothers in the coal mines. In their free time, he and his brothers played sandlot baseball and developed their skills to such an extent that three of his brothers went on to become professionals as well.

Nicknamed "The Flying Dutchman" due to his superb speed and German heritage ("Dutch" in this instance being an alteration of "Deutsch"), He played in the National League from 1897 to 1917 as a shortstop, almost entirely for the Pittsburgh Pirates. Wagner won eight batting titles, tied for the most in NL history with Tony Gwynn. He also led the league in slugging six times, and in stolen bases five times. He had a .327 lifetime batting average.

Wagner was not done playing baseball after his retirement from the MLB. He managed and played for a semi-pro team. After retirement, Wagner served the Pirates as a coach for 39 years, most notably as a hitting instructor from 1933 to 1952.

In 1936, the Baseball Hall of Fame inducted Wagner as one of the first five members. He received the second-highest vote total behind Ty Cobb and tied with Babe Ruth.

**HONUS WAGNER TRIVIA**

Did you know that Wagner pitched in parts of two games while with the Pirates? He pitched 3 innings in a game in 1900 and 5 1/3 innings in a game in 1902. He also played in at least one game at every position except catcher.

**WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB - APRIL, 2013****MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

Upcoming  
Stamp, Postcard and Collectible Shows

**POSTCARD & PAPER SHOW** – April 6 –  
**PITTSBURGH, PA** - Three Rivers Postcard Club,  
Fairhaven United Methodist Church, 2415 Saw Mill Run  
Blvd. (Route 51), Pittsburgh, PA 15234. 9AM – 4PM  
Admission \$2.00

**STAMP SHOW** – April 13-14 – **MONROEVILLE,  
PA** - WILKPEX Wilksburg Stamp Club, Gateway  
Hall, 4370 Northern Pike, Monroeville,  
Pennsylvania 15146. Saturday 10AM – 4PM;  
Sunday 10AM – 3PM Special Cachet, Special  
Cancel. Admission FREE

\*\*\* NEW LOCATION \*\*\*

**STAMP SHOW** – May 10-11 – **BUTLER, PA** –  
BUTLERPEX Butler County Philatelic Society,  
Tanglewood Senior Center, 10 Austin Avenue, Lyndora,  
PA. Friday 10AM – 5PM; Saturday 10AM – 4PM  
Admission FREE

**STAMP SHOW** – May 31 – June 2 – McLEAN, VA –  
NAPEX 2013. McLean Hilton at Tyson's Corner  
7920 Jones Branch Dr., McLean, Virginia Fri 10AM –  
6PM, Sat 10AM – 6PM, Sun 10AM – 4PM. FREE  
PARKING AND ADMISSION

**STAMP SHOW** – June 7 -9 – **COLUMBUS, OHIO** -  
COLOPEX 2013 – DiSalle Center, Ohio Expo Center,  
717 East 17th Avenue Columbus, Ohio. Fri 10AM –  
6PM, Sat 10AM – 6PM, Sun 10AM – 4PM.

**STAMP SHOW** – June 22 – 24 – **LANCASTER, PA** –  
63<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL ATA (American Topical Association)  
National Show, Lancaster Host Resort and Conference  
Center, 2300 Lincoln Highway East, Lancaster, PA  
17602

**STAMP SHOW** – June 23 – **CRANBERRY, PA**, Four  
Points Sheraton, Cranberry, PA 10AM – 4PM FREE

And don't forget, during the year, weather  
permitting, Trader Jack's Flea Market (every  
Sat-Sun), Hannastown (MAY-SEP 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Sunday), Bull Creek (MAY-OCT 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday),  
Washington Antiques Fair (Consol Energy  
Park – Last Sunday of the month), etc.

**ATTEND A SHOW - FIND A TREASURE**

**PITTSBURGH AREA STAMP CLUB WEBSITES**

**WESTMORELAND COUNTY PHILATELIC SOCIETY**  
<http://www.muleshoepa.com/WCPS/WCPS.HTM>

**PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF PITTSBURGH**  
<http://www.presidentdrive.com>

**50 YEARS AGO – APRIL 1963**

1986 YUGOSLAVIA/TITO (Scott #1787),  
1990 JACK NICKLAUS/TUVA (LOCAL ISSUE),  
1974 ANTIGUA/CHURCHILL (Scott #350),  
1988 GRENADA/PETE ROSE (Scott #1665g)

**HISTORICAL FACTS WITH PHILATELIC CONNECTIONS  
OVER THE YEARS, STAMPS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR  
YUGOSLAVIA/TITO, JACK NICKLAUS/GOLF,  
CHURCHILL AND PETE ROSE/BASEBALL**

**APRIL 7, 1963** - Yugoslavia was proclaimed to be a  
"socialist federative republic", and Josip Broz Tito was  
named President for Life. He died in 1980.

**APRIL 7, 1963** - At Augusta National Golf Club, the 27th  
Masters Tournament was won by 23-year old Jack  
Nicklaus to become the youngest player to win the  
Masters.

**APRIL 9, 1963** - Sir Winston Churchill, the former Prime  
Minister of the United Kingdom, became the first person to  
be made an honorary citizen of the United States.

**APRIL 13, 1963** - Pete Rose of the Cincinnati Reds got the  
first of a record 4,256 hits in a Major League Baseball,  
hitting a triple off of a pitch by Bob Friend of the Pittsburgh  
Pirates. The Reds lost, 12-4. There were seven balks in  
the game, 4 by Friend.