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1969 IRAN (SCOTT #1516)



1985 ROMANIA (SCOTT #3352)



1970 URUGUAY (SCOTT #C372)



AUGUST 27, 2012 ----- NEIL ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL COVER

REAL AMERICAN HERO - AUGUST 5, 1930 - AUGUST 25, 1912

"THAT'S ONE SMALL STEP FOR MAN..... ONE GIANT LEAP FOR MANKIND"

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FIRST MAN ON THE MOON

Neil Alden Armstrong (August 5, 1930 – August 25, 2012) was an American astronaut and the first person to walk on the Moon. He was also an aerospace engineer, naval aviator, test pilot, and university professor. Before becoming an astronaut, Armstrong was an officer in the U.S. Navy and served in the Korean War.

A participant in the U.S. Air Force's Man In Space Soonest and X-20 Dyna-Soar human spaceflight programs, Armstrong joined the NASA Astronaut Corps in 1962, and made his first space flight as command pilot of Gemini 8 in 1966, becoming NASA's first civilian astronaut to fly in space. On this mission, he performed the first docking of two spacecraft with pilot David Scott.

Armstrong's second and last spaceflight was as mission commander of the *Apollo 11* moon landing in July 1969. On this mission, Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin descended to the lunar surface and spent two and one-half hours exploring, while Michael Collins remained in orbit in the Command Module. Armstrong was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Richard Nixon along with Collins and Aldrin, the Congressional Space Medal of Honor by President Jimmy Carter in 1978, and the Congressional Gold Medal with his former crewmates in 2009.

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB - OCTOBER, 2012**OFFICERS / ADDRESS / WHEN WE MEET**

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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.

DUES ARE ONLY \$8.00 PER YEAR (JULY-JUNE)

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THE EDITOR WRITES...***** MAYBE HE COULD HAVE BEEN THE FIRST *****

In trying to pick the first living person to appear on U.S. postage stamps, in my opinion, Neil Armstrong would have been one of my first choices. Now it too late to honor him while he was living. I know that there are several U.S. stamps in regards to the moon landing, but they only imply that it is Neil Armstrong without showing his actual likeness.

**OCTOBER 2012 MEETING DATES**

October 14th and October 28th
On October 28th we will have a "SHOW and TELL" after the meeting. Bring one of your "favorites."
FLAT SCREEN COLOR TV AVAILABLE FOR THE STEELERS GAMES.

***** **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

LUNCHEON HELD: Our annual luncheon was held at Drew's Family Restaurant in Forest Hills on September 22nd. Sixteen people (members & guests) attended. It was reported that the food was excellent and that everyone had a good time. The Club will consider going back there for our 2013 luncheon.

ANNUAL DUES: We still have 14 members who have not paid their dues for Fiscal Year 2013 (July, 2012 through June 2013). If you haven't complied, please **DO IT NOW** while you are reading this. Please do not let your membership expire. **IF YOUR DUES ARE NOT RECEIVED BY OCTOBER 31, 2012, YOU WILL REGRETTABLY BE DROPPED FROM THE MEMBERSHIP. (A NOTICE SHOULD BE INCLUDED WITH THIS NEWSLETTER)**

APRIL 20-21, 2013 - WILKPEX:

Dealers: Marty Cooper, Bourse Chair, reports that contracts have been mailed with several replies already.

Cachet & Cancel: Gene Bujdos reports that the cachet and cancel will be former Pittsburgh Pirates great, Willie Stargell and is currently seeking approval from Willie's wife. The plan is to use the Willie Stargell stamp.

Souvenir Sheet: This year plans are to "spoon" stamps showing DEAD, THEN ALIVE PEOPLE (SORT OF) ON STAMPS. Tom Reiff has a computer generated sheet with four different stamp images.

Exhibits: Time to start thinking about and preparing your exhibit. Display some of your collection for all to see. If you need some direction on how, please contact one of the Club officers. **THANKS!**

MEMBER PROFILE – FRED LEWIS

Fred Lewis, a lifelong resident of the Pittsburgh area started collecting stamps at the age of 10 years old .

HOW HE GOT STARTED

His interest started when he saw a display rack of packet stamps at the Woolworth's store in downtown Pittsburgh.

WHAT HE COLLECTED AND NOW COLLECTS

Fred started, like most other beginning collectors, with a worldwide collection. After a few years, he started to specialize in U.S. Telegraph stamps and is proud to say that he has been collecting this area for over 50 years!

His collection also includes telegrams and other non-philatelic related telegraph memorabilia.

Other stamp collecting interests includes PNC (Plate Number Coil stamps), stamps and postal history with "colored" postmarks (purple, green, red, etc.).

Also Fred is in the process of creating a stamp postmark "date calendar" by finding stamps postmarked (cancelled) with a legible date (month and day). He is currently about 50% complete.

Other non-philatelic interests are model trains.

FAVORITE U.S. TELEGRAPH STAMPS

Fred's favorite telegraph stamps are Scott #16T99 through #16T103, the five (56) stamps that feature a portrait of Samuel F. B. Morse. These stamps were issued in 1940 and were engraved by Security Bank Note Company of Philadelphia, PA.

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Fred has been a member of the Wilkinsburg Stamp Club in "two parts". He was a member from 1960 - 1970, and rejoined in 2007.

He is currently the Club Librarian and handles our extensive library of philatelic catalogs, books, etc.

THE CLUB IS PROUD TO HAVE HIM AS A MEMBER OF OUR CLUB



FRED LEWIS



BOOKLET PANE OF 5
(SCOTT #16T102a)



PNC WITH PURPLE CANCEL
(SCOTT #1891)

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB - OCTOBER, 2012**MARK YOUR CALENDARS****Upcoming
Stamp, Postcard and Collectible Shows**

POSTCARDS, STAMPS, ETC. - October 6 - Columbus, OH. 36th Annual HEART OF OHIO POSTCARD SHOW and EPHEMERA SHOW. Haimert Center, 1421 Morse Road (0.9 miles east of I-71, exit 116), Columbus. Presented by the HEART OF OHIO POSTCARD CLUB, this popular event offers a spacious facility with good food, FREE parking, and lots of great postcards, stamps, comics, books, magazines, covers and much, much more!
20+ dealers. Saturday 9 AM-4 PM. ADMISSION \$3.50.

STAMP SHOW - October 7 - Fall CAPEX 2012 - Capital City Philatelic Society, Susquehanna Township High School, 7500 Elmerton Ave., Harrisburg, PA. Bourse Only (no exhibits.)

STAMP & COIN SHOW - October 13 - Pittsburgh, PA - James Reeves, Churchill Borough Building, 2300 Wm. Penn Hwy. 2-5 dealers. Saturday 10AM - 4PM FREE.

STAMP SHOW - October 20 - GETTYPEX '12 - Gettysburg Fire Company, 35 N. Stratton St. - Blue & Gray Stamp Club, SAT 10AM - 5PM

POSTCARD SHOW - October 20 - Johnstown, PA - Greater Johnstown Post Card Club, St. Michael's Sportsman Club, Main Street, St. Michael, PA 15951. Exit 869 off Route 219, Turn left at exit ramp and follow signs. 9 AM - 3 PM. Admission \$2.00

STAMP SHOW - October 27 - Chambersburg, PA. Cumberland Valley Philatelic Society Fall Stamp Expo. Chambersburg Recreation Center: Route 30 at I-81 Exit 16; go west to 3rd Street - turn left at Post Office; go 2 1/2 blocks, on right. Sat: 10 AM-5 PM. Dealer Bourse. Exhibits. U.S. Post Office. Snack Bar. FREE admission. Cumberland Valley Philatelic Society.

STAMP SHOW - November 3-4 - PITTPLEX '12 South Fayette Fire Hall, 661 Millers Run Rd., Bridgeville, PA. Sat. 10AM - 5PM Sun 10AM - 4PM FREE

ATTEND A SHOW - FIND A TREASURE**INTERNET CONNECTIONS (WEB SITES)**

Here are some interesting Internet Web Sites. Once you access this URL, you may be able to navigate to other parts of the web site.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY PHILATELIC SOCIETY
<http://personal.wpa.net/~jvaughn/WCPS/Wcps.htm>

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

U.S. POST OFFICES
http://www.postalhistory.com/Post_Offices/index.htm

U.S. POSTAGE STAMPS 1847-1970 and MORE
<http://www.1847usa.com/>

50 YEARS AGO - OCTOBER 1962

**2009 IVORY COAST ISSUE - BARBRA STREISAND
AND 1962 UGANDA INDEPENDENCE ISSUE
(OVERPRINTED - UGANDA REVENUE)**

HISTORICAL FACTS WITH PHILATELIC CONNECTIONS

**OVER THE YEARS, STAMPS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR
CIVIL RIGHTS, BARBRA STREISAND, MUSIC, UGANDA
AND THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS.**

OCTOBER 1, 1962 - James Meredith became first black at U of Mississippi.

OCTOBER 1, 1962 - Barbra Streisand signs her first recording contract (with Columbia).

OCTOBER 9, 1962 - Uganda becomes independent from the United Kingdom.

OCTOBER 16 - 28, 1962 - The Cuban missile crisis timeframe. (A scary time for all)