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**ROBERTO CLEMENTE
GRENADA (SCOTT #1665a)
(SEE PAGE 3 FOR ARTICLE)**

**ATTENTION ALL CLUB MEMBERS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO HAVE JOINED
WITHIN THE LAST FEW MONTHS!**

**AS YOU KNOW, THE WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB IS WELL KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE PHILATELIC
COMMUNITY FOR OUR ANNUAL 'SPOOF' SOUVENIR SHEETS.**

Mr. John Hotchner, a member of Linn's staff, an honorary lifetime member of The Wilkinsburg Stamp Club (and a long time personal friend of our late Lou Yagle) has given our club a lot of publicity in his Linn's U.S. NOTES regular column over the past many years. Thus, around our annual WILKPEX Show in APRIL, we receive many orders for our souvenir sheets, including a few from Canada and Italy.

Our first issue, in 1961, is sold out and can be found online once in a while for around \$6.00. The 1965 issue is completely sold out and for the last four years we have six people on the waiting list for one.

WE NOW HAVE ONLY NINE (9) SHEETS OF THE 1966 ISSUE LEFT.

When they are gone, the 1966 issue will be the third one completely sold out. Limited to one souvenir sheet per member. You can buy **ONE** now @ \$2.50 – first come, first sold. This will be the only time this will be mentioned in our Newsletter.

Order one from: Gene Bujdos c/o The Wilkinsburg Stamp Club, P O. Box 5649, Pittsburgh, PA 15207.
Make your check payable to "The Wilkinsburg Stamp Club." THANK YOU!

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB - SEPTEMBER, 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...***** LET US NEVER FORGET *****

This month, on September 11, 2001, the United States suffered a terrorist attack on the United States. The terrorist attacks by Al-Qaeda resulted in almost 3000 immediate (attack time) deaths, including the 19 hijackers and 2,977 victims.

On June 7, 2002 the USA issued its second semi-postal stamp (Scott #B2) with a photo of **Firemen Atop World Trade Center Rubble**. This 34-cent stamp had a surtax of 11-cents

**SEPTEMBER 2012 MEETING DATES**

September 9th and September 23rd
On September 23rd 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

SAD NEWS TO REPORT: Vice-president Jim Senkewitz' mother passed away on July 7th. She was 97 years old. The Club sent a sympathy card to Jim and his family.

ANNUAL LUNCHEON: This year the Club is having our annual luncheon at Drew's Family Restaurant in Forest Hills at 1:00 PM on September 22, 2012. This is the same place as last year. We will be ordering from the menu. Attendance is limited to a maximum of 25 people. For reservations, please call Ray Damico at 724-478-2107 or Andy Novotny at 412-351-4954. Drew's is located at 2060 Ardmore Blvd. (Route 30) across the street from the Borough Building. If you are traveling east on Route 30, it is on the right side.

ANNUAL DUES: We still have 18 members who have not paid their dues for Fiscal Year 2012 (July, 2012 through June 2013, should have received a notice with the July-August newsletter. If you have paid, thank you! If you haven't complied, please **DO IT NOW** while you are reading this. Please do not let your membership expire.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Since the last newsletter we are pleased to announce two new members, Jordan McKelvey, age 12 and his father, Thomas. Jordan collects US stamps while his father joined in support of his son. Please introduce yourself when you see them at one of our meetings. Also a correction from the last newsletter, it was Leon Soweto's wife Maryann that joined, not his daughter Donna. Sorry for the mistake.



1984 USA – SCOTT #2097

2000 USA – SCOTT #3408j



**PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CONGO SOUVENIR SHEET
 FEATURING ELVIS PRESLEY & ROBERTO CLEMENTE**



**SECOND-BASE UMPIRE, DOUG HARVEY,
 PRESENTING THE BALL TO CLEMENTE**

A BRIEF HISTORY

Roberto Clemente Walker (August 18, 1934 – December 31, 1972) was a Puerto Rican ball player whose Major League career comprised the 18 seasons stretching from 1955 through 1972, all of them played with the Pittsburgh Pirates, primarily as a right fielder. Clemente was awarded the National League (NL) Most Valuable Player (MVP) Award in 1966. He was on the NL All-Star team 15 times, received 12 Gold Glove Awards, and led the NL in batting average four times. In 1972, Clemente got his 3,000th major league hit.

Off the field, Clemente was involved in charity work in Puerto Rico and other Latin American countries, often delivering baseball equipment and food to those in need. He died in an aviation accident on December 31, 1972, while en route to deliver aid to earthquake victims in Nicaragua. Clemente was elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame posthumously in 1973, becoming the first Latin American to be selected and one of only four current Hall of Fame members for whom the mandatory five-year waiting period has been waived. Besides being the first Hispanic player to be inducted into the Hall of Fame, Clemente is also the first Hispanic to win a World Series as a starter (1960), receive an MVP Award (1966), and receive a World Series MVP Award (1971).

***** FIRST MAJOR LEAGUE HIT *****

After sitting on the bench for the Pirates' first three games, Clemente debuted with the Pirates on April 17, 1955 in the first game of a double header against the Dodgers. In the opener came Clemente's first major league hit, a ground ball that hit off the glove of shortstop Pee Wee Reese.

***** LAST MAJOR LEAGUE HIT *****

(REGULAR SEASON)

On September 30, 1972 in a game at Three Rivers Stadium, he hit a double off Jon Matlack of the New York Mets for his 3,000th hit. It was the last at-bat of his career during a regular season, though he did play in the 1972 NLCS playoffs against the Cincinnati Reds. In the playoffs, he batted .235 as he went 4 for 17. His last game ever was at Cincinnati's Riverfront Stadium in the fifth game of the playoff series.

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

POSTCARD SHOW – September 22 – 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 – September 23 – Cranberry, PA, Four Points Sheraton, Cranberry, PA. 10AM – 4PM FREE

STAMP SHOW - September 23 - Hudson, OH. Hudson Stamp Bourse. Hudson Clarion Inn, 6625 Dean Memorial Parkway (just north of Route 8 and Ohio Turnpike intersection), Hudson. SAME LOCATION AS PREVIOUS YEARS. (The street was renamed.) Sun: 10 AM-4 PM. FREE admission and parking.

POSTCARDS, STAMPS, ETC. - Oct 6 - Columbus, OH. 36th Annual HEART OF OHIO POSTCARD 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! Saturday 9 AM-4 PM. ADMISSION \$3.50.

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

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

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://www.muleshoeopa.com/WCPS/NLTR1203/NLTR1203.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 – SEPTEMBER 1962

**1991 MONGOLIA JETSONS ISSUE (SCOTT #1927)
AND 1999 RACHEL CARSON ISSUE (SCOTT #479a)**

HISTORICAL FACTS WITH PHILATELIC CONNECTIONS

**OVER THE YEARS, STAMPS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR
ROD LAVER, TENNIS, THE JETSONS AND RACHEL
CARSON**

SEPTEMBER 10, 1962 - Rod Laver of Australia became only the second person in history to win the "Grand Slam" of tennis, as after taking the men's singles title in the US Open, by defeating fellow Queenslander Roy Emerson

SEPTEMBER 23, 1962 - The Jetsons - George, Jane, Judy and Elroy - were introduced in a primetime cartoon of the same name at 7:30 pm Eastern time on the ABC television network.

SEPTEMBER 27, 1962 - Rachel Carson's book *Silent Spring* was released, giving rise to the modern environmentalist movement.