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2013 BATTLE OF LAKE ERIE



2013 RAY CHARLES



STAMP COLLECTING: INVERTED JENNY SHEET

The sheet includes six *Inverted Jenny* stamps, reprinted with an updated \$2.00 denomination and surrounded by an illustration that includes the National Postal Museum in Washington, D.C.; the route of the first regularly scheduled airmail service between Washington, Philadelphia, and New York; and aviation pioneer Reuben H. Fleet, who was in charge of the first group of pilots.

Originally issued on May 14, 1918, to commemorate the start of the first regular airmail service the following day, the original Jenny stamp was designed to show a Curtiss JN-4H, or "Jenny," the biplane used to deliver the mail. However, one sheet of 100 stamps that mistakenly showed the biplane upside down was sold on the first day of issue to a collector in Washington, D.C. — and one of the greatest philatelic treasures in U.S. history was released into the world.

The art director for this souvenir sheet was Antonio Alcalá. The selvaige artwork was created by Steven Noble.

SCHEDULED FIRST DAY OF ISSUE SEPTEMBER 22.

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BATTLE OF LAKE ERIE

The stamp's subject for the second year of the war is the Battle of Lake Erie, which took place on September 10, 1813. For the stamp design, the Postal Service selected William Henry Powell's famous painting, *Battle of Lake Erie*. The oil-on-canvas painting, completed in 1873, was commissioned by the U.S. Congress and placed at the head of the east stairway in the Senate wing of the Capitol. It depicts Oliver Hazard Perry in the small boat he used to transfer from his ruined flagship, the *Lawrence*, to the *Niagara*. Art director Greg Breeding designed this stamp.

SCHEDULED FIRST DAY OF ISSUE SEPT 10.

MUSIC ICONS – RAY CHARLES

The U.S. Postal Service proudly honors inspiring musician Ray Charles with a stamp, one of several that inaugurates the *Music Icons* series.

The stamp art features an image of Charles, taken later in his career, by photographer Yves Carrère. The stamp sheet was designed to evoke the appearance of a vintage 45 rpm record sleeve. Art director Ethel Kessler worked on the stamp sheet with designer Neal Ashby.

SCHEDULED FIRST DAY OF ISSUE SEPT 23.

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB - SEPTEMBER, 2013**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.

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THE EDITOR WRITES...

The Pittsburgh Pirates are having a great season. It looks like they will finally have a winning season after 20 losing seasons. Chances also look good to get in the post-season and maybe even win their division.

***** GO BUCS! *****

SEPTEMBER, 2013 MEETING DATES

September 8th and September 22nd
On September 22nd we will have "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.

****** OUR FISCAL YEAR IS JULY 1 - JUNE 30 ******

CLUB NEWS

FRED LEWIS RECEIVES AWARD: During the July 14th, 2013 meeting, Herb Mendelsohn brought up the subject in regards to Fed Lewis' medical condition and based on his contributions to the Club, be awarded a Lifetime Membership. A motion was brought to the floor and unanimously passed. A framed award certificate was created by Tom Reiff and given to Herb to present to Fred the next time he visited Fred.

ANNUAL LUNCHEON: This year the Club is having our annual luncheon once again at Drew's Family Restaurant in Forest Hills at 1:00 PM on September 28, 2013. 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.

APS NEWSLETTER AWARD: The Club has been awarded a VERMEIL award for our 2012 newsletter. The APS judges the last three issues of the calendar year. For 2012 the three judges awarded 85, 83 and 75 points for an average of 81.3, only 3.67 points from the GOLD. With improvements, based on judges' work sheets, we may get that gold this year.

Awards, based on average points, are: Gold, Vermeil, Silver, Silver-Bronze and Bronze. Points are awarded based on nine different areas within three categories: Content Coverage (60 point maximum), Production Quality (40 point maximum) and Bonus Points of 0 to 10 additional points. The APS issues a certificate and displays the submitted newsletters and their awards at the annual APS Stampshow. This year it was in Milwaukee, Wisconsin August 8-11.

There were 16 stamp clubs that entered newsletters in the competition. Awards were 6 GOLD, 9 VERMEIL and 1 SILVER.

100 YEARS AGO - 1913 U.S. OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP - by Tom Reiff



EFO - BLOCK OF 14 FRANCIS OUIMET "MISPERFED" HORIZONTALLY (Tom Reiff Collection)



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FRANCIS OUIMET, AMATEUR U.S. GOLFER, DURING THE TOURNAMENT



LEFT: CELEBRATING THE VICTORY WITH FRANCIS OUIMET AT THE TOP WITH EDDIE LOWERY (WHITE SCARF) AND A GROUP OF FANS

A BRIEF HISTORY

Francis DeSales Ouimet (May 8, 1893 - September 2, 1967) was an American golfer, who is frequently referred to as the "father of amateur golf" in the United States. He won the U.S. Open in 1913, and was the first non-Briton elected Captain of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews. He was inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame in 1974.

The 1913 U.S. Open was the 19th U.S. Open, held September 18-20 at The Country Club in Brookline, Massachusetts, a suburb southwest of Boston. Amateur Francis Ouimet, age 20, won his only U.S. Open title in an 18-hole playoff, five strokes ahead of Britons Harry Vardon and Ted Ray. His caddy was 10-year-old Eddie Lowery

The first two rounds were played Thursday and the final two rounds on Friday. At the end of regulation, there was a three-way tie. Ouimet defeated Vardon and Ray in a Saturday playoff round. Ouimet won with a score of 72 (-2), Vardon was second with 77, and Ray came in third with a 78. It was widely hailed as a stunning upset over the strongly-favored Britons and increased the popularity of the game in the United States.

Ouimet's victory was the first of eight times an amateur won the U.S. Open; Bobby Jones won four and the last was Johnny Goodman in 1933.

FRANCIS OUIMET STAMP

The Francis Ouimet stamp (Scott Catalogue #2377) with a denomination of 25-cents was issued on June 13, 1988 commemorating the 75th anniversary of his U.S. Open Golf Championship of 1913.

Designed by M. Gregory Rudd and printed by the American Bank Note Company. The stamp was printed in PHOTOGRAVURE in plates of 200 in four panes of 50.

First Day Ceremonies were held at Brookline, Massachusetts on June 18, 1988 where the 1988 U.S. Open Golf Championship was being held. There were 383,168 FDC's that received the First Day cancel.

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

Upcoming
Stamp, Postcard and Collectible Shows

STAMP & COIN SHOW – September 7 - Pittsburgh, PA – James Reeves, Churchill Borough Building, 2300 Wm. Penn Hwy. 2-5 dealers. Saturday 10AM – 4PM FREE.

POSTCARD SHOW – September 14 – 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 22 - 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.

STAMP SHOW – September 29 – Cranberry, PA, Four Points Sheraton, Cranberry, PA. 10AM – 4PM FREE

POSTCARDS, STAMPS, ETC. - Oct 5 - 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 SHOW – November 2-3 – PITPEX '13 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 our local stamp clubs 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/WCPS.HTM>

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

50 YEARS AGO – SEPTEMBER 1963

1989 MALASIA (SCOTT #407) AND 2001 UNITED STATES LEGENDARY PLAYING FIELDS – POLO GROUNDS (SCOTT #3514)

HISTORICAL FACTS WITH PHILATELIC CONNECTIONS

OVER THE YEARS, STAMPS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR "Red Grange", Football, Malaysia, Baseball & Space

SEPTEMBER 7, 1963 - The Pro Football Hall of Fame opened in Canton, Ohio, with 17 charter members, including Harold Edward "Red" Grange, "The Galloping Ghost."

SEPTEMBER 16, 1963 - Malaysia was formed through the merger of the 11-states of the Federation of Malaya and the British colonies of Singapore, North Borneo (renamed Sabah) and Sarawak.

SEPTEMBER 18, 1963 - The last sports event took place at the Polo Grounds in New York City, with baseball's New York Mets losing to the Philadelphia Phillies, 5-1 before a crowd of only 1,752 people.

SEPTEMBER 20, 1963 - At the United Nations, U.S. President John F. Kennedy proposed a joint moon mission between the USA and the Soviet Union. The Soviet Union Communist Party newspaper *Pravda* reported the speech, but commented that the idea as "premature". Kennedy would die two months later, and Soviet Chairman Khrushchev would be deposed within 13 months, and the United States would proceed alone in its lunar program.