



# WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB NEWS

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*Wilkinsburg Stamp Club is a member of APS #12293*

[www.wilkinsburgstampclub.com](http://www.wilkinsburgstampclub.com)

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

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

### WSC Meeting Schedule

There will be **no** meetings in January. We are still trying to figure out when Churchill will let us back into the Borough Building. Check the website for updates. Next tentative dates will be February 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Use this time to put together exhibits and get your Phlea Market materials ready for WILKPEX!

### Wilkinsburg Stamp Club News

- Christmas Party – We had a great get-together at Pugliano's in Plum. The food was good and it was nice to see everyone who came. We had 17 people in attendance. Some pictures are below:



Above – Diana (Mrs. Wiley), Mike, John and Wiley. Dave won the auction of the shadowbox.



The club members and their guests – Maureen, Dave, Helen, Andy, Marty, Danielle, David (Mr. Laura), Laura, David K, Joyce, Mike, David Aquino, John N, John H, Diana and Wiley.

- 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 Visit – Danielle is hoping to take a road trip to APS sometime this spring. If you are interested call or email her so she can let you know the date!

## Philatelic News

- January US Stamps currently scheduled for release:
  - Blueberries (January 9<sup>th</sup>) – 4 cent stamps, very juicy!
  - US Flags (Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>) – Forever stamp with flags – a classic.
  - Priority Mail Stamps (Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>) - \$8.95 & \$26.95 – designs to be a surprise!

- Love – (Jan 14<sup>th</sup>) – 2 Forever Stamps in the continuing Love series.
- Chinese New Year – Year of the Tiger (Jan 20<sup>th</sup>) – by the same artist as the last 3 years.
- Edmonia Lewis (Jan 26<sup>th</sup>) – Continuing the Black Heritage Series, this shows the famous 19<sup>th</sup> Century sculptor.

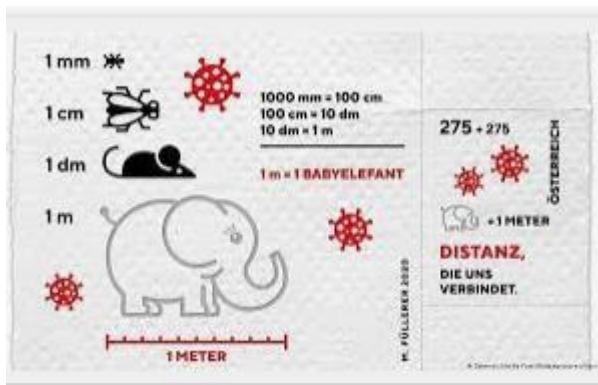


## Member Information

- It is with great sadness that we announce the death of two members – Herbert Mendelsohn and Leonard Latsko. Herbert was buried at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies on December 14th and Leonard was buried in Mt. Pleasant on December 3rd. Both men were US Army WWII veterans and long time stamp collectors. They will be greatly missed.
- 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?

## Collector's Corner

- Last month I asked: "How many ZIP codes have you lived in?" I had a reply from Phil Bronner, who lives in Springfield, Oregon, who said he has lived in 14 ZIP Codes where he has received mail - 01104, 01108, 01085, 08640, 46216, 66442, 66502, 01001, 66048, 97038, 97013, 97045, 97424, 97478. He also said he enjoys the newsletter and has all but one of our Souvenir sheets.
- Many of the countries of the world came out with COVID-19 stamps during 2020 and 2021, including such clever ones as Austria's Toilet Paper (2020) and Face Mask (2021) stamps.



In 2020 21 different countries and the UN released more than 60 stamps acknowledging the pandemic and honoring the health care and essential workers who continued to work during the lock downs. **None of these stamps were from the United States.** It is not known if the USPS plans on issuing any stamps about the pandemic. (Stats from jamanetwork.com)

- The winners of the 2020 Asiago International Awards for Stamps were announced in Linn's on 8/24/21:
  - Creativity – Austria's Toilet Paper Stamp (see above)
  - Art and Message – 3 winners:
    - Switzerland celebrating 125 years of cinema (3 stamps)



- Slovenia showing environmental cleanliness (5 stamps)



- Luxembourg for rural tourism



- Special Award – Germany’s Women of the Reformation.



## Upcoming Events Nearby

- 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
- May 13 – 14, 2022 – Butlerpex, Butler (Lyndora) PA
- June 10 – 11, 2022 – Colopex, Columbus OH
- 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 – PITTPEX – Bridgeville PA

## Wilkesburg Stamp Club Information:

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

Churchill Borough Building, 2300 William Penn Hwy, Churchill PA 15235

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

## WILKPEX – Our Annual Stamp Show

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### Officers:

President: Andy Novotny ([novoand@hotmail.com](mailto: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.



(Yes I used to be part of the supply chain...)