



WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB NEWS

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Wilkinsburg Stamp Club is a member of APS #12293

www.wilkinsburgstampclub.com

Meeting Schedule: 2nd and 4th 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

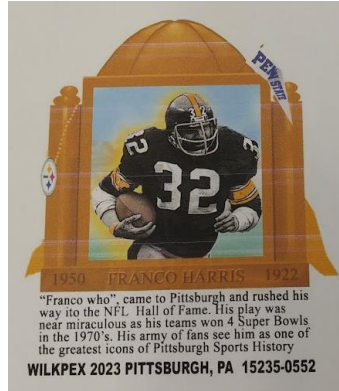
WILKPEX 2023 – Friday and Saturday April 14 (10 AM – 5 PM) & 15 (10 AM – 4 PM), 2023 – Holiday Park Fire Department, Plum PA.

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- **Enclosed you will find a postcard.** As you remember, included with the February Newsletter was a copy of the WSC Constitution & By-Laws with proposed changes. We would like you to vote "Yes" or "No" to the proposed changes and return the postcard by Friday April 7th.
- WILKPEX 2023 – Updates:
 - We currently have 10 dealers/19 tables including the USPS selling current stamps.
 - John Harding showed us his preliminary souvenir sheets and the majority of those in attendance at the Jan 22nd meeting agreed he should complete the one with a flower made of spotted lantern flies making up a Forever Global Flower stamp. (Draft shown)



- The cachet honoring Franco Harris is finished.



We will have a sport-related stamp. In addition, there will be one special cachet with special stamps that will be raffled off.

- The following people will be working at the following locations at the show:
 - Front Desk – Danielle and Laura
 - Cachet and Souvenir Sheet Sales – Gene and David A.
 - Phlea – Maureen, Dave D, Stevan & Wylie
 - Any other members will float and assist where needed and for breaks, etc.
- Set up will be Friday 8 AM and anyone who can come is welcome.
- Gene has placed an ad and submitted an article to Linn’s Stamp News for the show.
- Please work on your Phlea Market items – please try to restrict yourself to 20 items so all have a chance to sell items.
- Please consider making an exhibit about your favorite stamp or cover! Let Maureen know the title, subject and how many frames will be needed ASAP. Each frame can hold up to 16 pages. Last date to be included is March 31st.
- Stevan made his a presentation, via Zoom, to the Lancaster Stamp Club on February 22nd about the Wilksburg Stamp Club world famous souvenir sheets. He said he learned a lot and enjoyed the experience .
- We will plan on having a picnic sometime this summer. Laura is going to talk to Monroeville to reserve a pavilion at the same Monroeville Park we’ve gone to the past few years.



Philatelic News

- New US Issues for March:
 - Patriotic Block (Mar 1) – Non-profit stamp
 - Toni Morrison (Mar 7) – Honoring the great American author
 - Railroad Stations (Mar 9) – A series depicting some of the great American Rail stations
 - Art of the Skateboard (Mar 24) – Celebrating the colorful artwork on modern US skateboards



- The first UK issue for King Charles is scheduled for April 4, 2023, with a profile created by Martin Jennings, similar to the well-known Machin profile of his mother, Queen Elizabeth II.



- There are so many counterfeit US stamps out there that Scott has made a new catalogue listing them all. (Linn's 1/23/23)

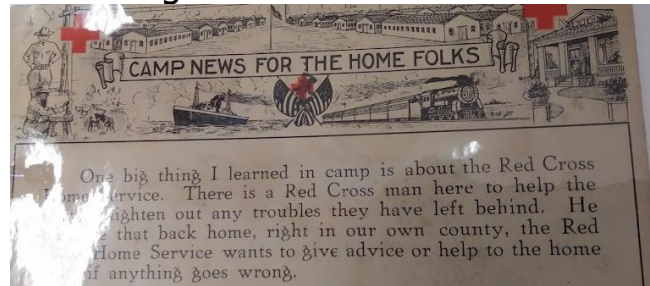


- The USPS has agreed to buy more electric trucks until at least 75% of their vehicles are electric. These will all be delivered before the end of 2026 and will replace the aging fleet of carrier vehicles.



Collector's Corner

- Show and Tell is at the second meeting of each month. Please bring an item to show and talk about. It can be about a topic other than stamps. Sharing the story is the important part.
- The following members shared at the February 26th meeting:
 - Jim Baird shared watching the Moon Landing in 1969 then leaving the next day to join the hospital ship USS Repose in Vietnam. This inspired him to collect Moon Landing stamps, and he brought that album, a cruise book from his year aboard ship and a medallion commemorating the landing.
 - Bill brought one of his WWI postcard albums, a mix of Red Cross, POW and other cards.
 - Maureen brought a leather postcard from the early 1900s and two "living flag" postcards, one from the Sampson Naval Training base where her father went to basic training in 1943.

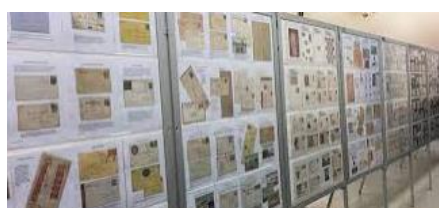


- Effective with the March-dated issues, Linn's Stamp News is changing how they deliver the stamp news. The monthly magazine will now be called "Scott Stamp Monthly" and will be issued 12 times per year. The weekly Linn's Stamp News will now be mailed 24 times per year and be available only digitally 28 times per year. This means that if you subscribe to the annual Linn's, you will get 36 mailed issues rather than 52 each year. There was already 1 letter to the editor about this change. (Linn's February 20, 2023).

Upcoming Events Nearby

- Mar 4 & 5 – McKinley Stamp Club Show, Canton OH
- Mar 11 – Tidewater Stamp Club Annual Show, Easton MD
- Mar 11 – 12 – BUFPEX 2023, Buffalo NY
- Mar 17 – 19 – Garfield-Perry March Party, Strongsville OH
- April 1 – Erie Stamp Club Show
- April 14 – 15, 2023 – WILKPEX – Plum PA
- May 12 – 13, 2023 – Butlerpex, Butler (Lyndora) PA
- ~~June 9 & 10 – COLOPEX 2023, Columbus OH cancelled for 2023~~
- June 12 – 16 – APS Summer Seminar, Bellefonte PA
- Aug 10 – 13 – Great American Stamp Show, APS, American Topical Assn. & American First Day Cover Society, Cleveland OH
- Sept 2 – 4 – BALPEX 2023, Hunt Valley MD
- November 2023 - PITTPEX – Bridgeville PA

For more details google the stamp club or look at the November 2022 American Philatelist Magazine.



One of our members and dealers Kevin Kellman (K2) is recovering from a terrible accident this past December and is finally at home recovering. He is off the road for a while. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers as he recovers.

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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:

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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 Stevan or Chris (stevanw2020@gmail.com) know ahead of time.



(You can fit a lot of cheap stuff in a 40 foot box!)