



# WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB NEWS

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Meeting Schedule: Oct. 11 & 25 – New Temp Site! See below!

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Saturday April 24, 2021**

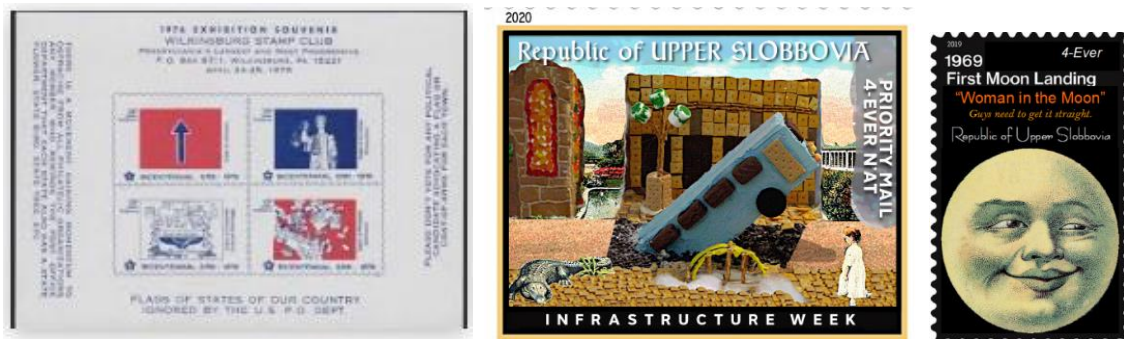
### WSC Meeting Schedule

We have reserved the Forest Hills/Westinghouse Lodge for our upcoming meetings! It is located at 799 Barclay Ave 15221, just off of Greensburg Pike in Forest Hills. It is a short walk from the parking lot to the building. Door will open at 12:30, and we will end at 3 PM. Everyone **must** wear a mask. We will maintain social distancing. There will be no lunch – we will have snacks and drinks. We'll be discussing future meetings and WILPEX. We will have stamps, circuits, show-and-tell and a good time! We hope to be as normal as possible and we hope to see everyone there!



## Wilkinsburg Stamp Club News

- Circuits – The club is still getting circuits and if you want to get involved please contact Danielle!
- The September 50/50 winners were Steven and Chris Cady! They won \$37! We will go back to the usual 50/50 process in October.
- WILPEX 2021 – We have a hall for WILPEX! Andy and Danielle will go over the details at the next meeting. Keep working on your exhibits and getting your Phlea Market materials together!



## Philatelic News

- Issues with mail delivery continue to be in the news. You may want to mail letter and packages earlier to give more time for delivery. Stay tuned!
- The new US Stamps to be released in October are Hanukkah on October 6<sup>th</sup>, Kwanza on October 13<sup>th</sup>, Winter Scenes on October 16<sup>th</sup> (10 stamps) and Our Lady of Guapulo (Christmas) on October 20<sup>th</sup>. There is also a Drug Free USA stamp due out this month. First Day Ceremonies will continue to be online only for the near future.



I started collecting stamps because of my father, and continued because of the art and the history. One of our WSC historians, Bill Brierton, sent me a cool cover from 1918. It is related to Pittsburgh, WWI, Pitt and the Flu Pandemic. It is a YMCA envelope with a 2 cent Washington stamp, upside down, postmarked 6:30 PM 10/4/1918, Pittsburgh – Oakland Station, and it is to Grace Johnston of Wilkinsburg PA. I cannot make out the name of the young man writing it. Here is the letter, as written (with beautiful handwriting):

Oct 4, 1918, 11:45, Company E, Section A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, SATC U of Pitt.

Dear Grace:

I have a little time to myself to-day as my feet are just like two boils. All they did was paint them with iodine, but they feel some better now. When on sick call, you get the remainder of day off, but at present not allowed out of barracks as one fellow is subject to Spanish Enfluenza. More than likely our Company will get strict quarantine on that account. Not sure about him yet. If that comes good-nite for awhile, dear little girl on Franklin Avenue. Company clerk just past thru and said it was all off over above affair for 3 weeks, but don't let it out. Ambulance just arrived to cart him off. So long, little one.

Please excuse this writing as I am on my cot and writing on suit case. Snatched this paper as I passed YM this morn. This place is lively, another fellow on sick duty is playing some kind of stringed instrument and all are on the jump. A fellow had his hand cut and he got some salts. That is the popular.

The lieutenant just announced that we are under strict military quarantine until further directions.

Send me a few letters once in a while. Don't expect to come for awhile at anyrate.

I expect to call mother up but it is all off for now, will have to write now for a few pieces of clothes and a couple pieces of fruit if they can get it into me. So long dear until you hear from me again.

As ever, J H E M (Photos from Pitt)



## Wilkesburg Stamp Club Information:

Meetings - 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month (June, July and August 2nd Sunday only). Doors open at 12:30 PM and meetings start at 2:00 PM.

Forest Hills/Westinghouse Lodge, 799 Barclay Ave, Forest Hills PA 15221

*All are welcome! Free admission! Free snacks available!*

## WILPEX – Our Annual Stamp Show

WILPEX 2021 is scheduled for Friday April 23 and Saturday April 24, 2021, location TBA. Admission is free. Anyone interested in exhibiting or setting up a dealer table is encouraged to contact one of the officers. More information will come as the date comes closer.

### Officers:

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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 Danielle know ahead of time.

