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# WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB NEWS

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### 50th Anniversary of the Moon Landing





One small step for man..... Reported at http:// www.forbes.com

The US Postal Service has revealed two new stamp designs in its "Forever" collection commemorating the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing on July 20, 1969.

Designed by its art director Antonio Alcalá, one stamp features an actual photograph taken on the moon, by Neil Armstrong of Buzz Aldrin. The other features a photograph of the moon with a yellow dot indicating the exact landing site of Apollo 11's "Eagle" lunar landing module. So where is Neil Armstrong?

One stamp features a photograph

of Apollo 11 lunar module pilot Buzz Aldrin, now 89, in his spacesuit on the surface of the moon. He climbed out of Eagle module 19 minutes after Neil Armstrong. It may seem odd that Armstrong, the first man to set foot on the moon and the commander of the Apollo 11 mission is not featured in this commemorative stamp.

There is a simple reason; Armstrong was in charge of the Hasselblad 500EL camera and took almost all of the photos on the lunar surface.

However, Armstrong is on the stamp, albeit only just. If you look closely at the visor on Buzz Aldrin's spacesuit, you should be able to see Aldrin's shadow stretching across the lunar surface, but you can also make out the white-suited figure of Armstrong in the background, standing beside "Eagle."

These two new stamps are not the first by the US Postal Service to commemorate Apollo 11. It issued a \$0.10 stamp in 1969 after the landing itself, which a graphic of as astronaut sporting a US flag setting foot on the lunar surface. In the background, an Earthrise is visible.

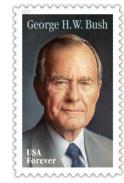
That was followed in 1994 by a "First Moon Landing" stamp to commemorate the 20th anniversary of Apollo 11, which pictured an astronaut holding the US flag and saluting.

The stamp selvage will include an image of the lunar module. Antonio Alcalá, a USPS art director, designed the stamp art.

The Postal Service announced the stamps March 20.
Additional information, including the release date and details about the dedication ceremony, will be announced later.

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The USPS issues a stamp in honor of former President George H.W. Bush, who died Nov. 30, 2018, at the age of 94. The 41st president guided the United States through the end of

# **Notable People on Stamps:**

the Cold War and pushed the creation of a multinational coalition that successfully forced Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait in the Persian Gulf War.

An advocate for public service, Bush's vision was a nation of volunteers as "a brilliant diversity spread like stars, like a thousand points of light in a broad and peaceful sky."

The stamp art is a portrait of

The stamp art is a portrait of Bush painted by award-winning artist Michael J. Deas. It is based on a 1997 photograph taken by Timothy Greenfield-Sanders. Phil Jordan was the art director and stamp designer.

The first-day-of-issue ceremony

will be held on the president's birthday, June 12, at the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum, 1000 George Bush Drive West, College Station, TX.

The stamp will be available for

pre-order April 6, 2019, for delivery on or after the June 12 ceremony at *usps.com/stamps*, or by phone at 800-Stamp24 (800-782-6724). The stamp is being issued as a Forever stamp, which will always be equal in value to the current First-Class Mail 1-ounce

price.

### **Notre Dame Cathedral**



The Notre Dame Cathedral Paris or Notre Dame de Paris (Meaning 'Our Lady of Paris' in French) is a Gothic cathedral located in the fourth arrondissement of Paris, France, It has its main entrance to the west. The island is on the eastern half of the Île de la Cité.

The Notre Dame Cathedral with its sculptures and stained glass windows show heavy influence of naturalism, unlike earlier Romanesque architecture. It was one of the very first Gothic cathedrals, and its construction took place throughout the Gothic period

The image of Paris' Notre Dame Cathedral on fire was seen on television screens and computer screens around the world on April 15. Although its spire collapsed, much of the facade still stands and French President Emmanuel Macron has promised to rebuild.

The more than 850-year-old cathedral has been pictured many times on the stamps of France.

Hugo's novel also played a major role in restoration of the cathedral after it was damaged during the French Revolution.

"Hugo's wistful, achingly human tragedy of the hunchback named Quasimodo, who both lives in and stands for the cathedral itself, ringing its iconic bells and providing sanctuary to a beautiful gypsy, Esmeralda helped spur on public support for the building that led to the major renovation in the 19th century."

We can expect many new stamps to be issued when the cathedral is rebuilt.





### **Newsletter**

It's your newsletter!

Help Make it special

Original articles for the newsletter may be submitted by any of the membership to Deb Foltyn at a meeting or emailed to Quest4moos@msn.com

Regular mail: Deb Foltyn 1023 Brintell Street Pittsburgh, PA15201-1637

Ideas or content suggestions are welcome.

Note\* articles submitted may be edited for content or to fit the Format.

Club members get a free black and white hard copy of the newsletter.

### **Club News**

Sparse attendance at the past few meetings, would be nice to see more come to the meetings!

Final cachet and cancel was presented to the membership for approval. After much work Gene Budjos was able to obtain permission to use George Blanda's name on the cachet

It was decided that the club would invite the Pittsburgh Stamp Club to our summer picnic. A sign up sheet will be available at the May and June meetings, so we can have a head count and a diversity of food items. Everyone is asked to bring something to share.

Please take time to help with our upcoming show, Setup will be Thursday May 29th...The large frames require a number of people to get them set up... Help is also appreciated during and after the show May 30th and June 1st.

We have to know if you are planning to exhibit,... notify Andy as soon as possible with the number of frames you need and the title of your exhibit,...

this information is necessary to make sure they are entered in the show program, and to assure your receiving a certificate.

Get your 'Phlea' market items ready, and be sure to fill out the appropriate forms to make it easy for the workers to tally up the sheets and keep records straight. Remember to be patient at the end of the show for your money

Great article in Linn;s May 8th Issue about our up coming show WILKPEX and our cachets and Souvenir sheets...

Gene is still working to obtain the rarer issues of the souvenir sheet, these will be made available for sale to members interested in entering the drawing... To be entered enter your name with any club officer... if your name is picked you will have first choice of purchase from the available sheets.

### **Get Well**

Tom Donahue was hospitalized and is now working hard in rehab to get back on his feet.

Best wishes and prayers to Tom to get well soon!

Tom, We all miss you!

### **New Member**

Welcome to Rebecca Foltyn new member.

Since her mom and dad drag her to all the stamp shows, she found something she liked in stamps. LOL

Bek is starting a collection of Patriotic Topicals

### **WSC Meetings**

### ALL Visitors are welcome!

We meet the 2nd & 4th Sundays
No Holidays
Next meetings
May 26th

WILKPEX May 31st-June 1st

June 9th July 14th July 21st Picnic

Summers Meetings
June thru August
2nd Sundays only
Doors Open 12:30
Meeting starts at 2PM
Churchill Borough Building,
2300 William Penn Hwy
Churchill, PA 15235.
Free light lunch available

# DUES ARE ONLY \$8.00 PER FISCAL YEAR (JULY-JUNE)

Members, can send check to:
Wilkinsburg Stamp Club
P.O. Box 10552
Pittsburgh, PA 15235-0552

### **Up Coming Stamp Shows**

### BUTLERPEX Butler Stamp Club Show

May 10th - 11th, 2019 Tanglewood Senior Center 10 Austin Ave. Lyndora, PA 16045 Contact: Tom Sivak Phone: 724-287-1931

# Tri-State Monthly Coin & Stamp Show

May 26th, 2019 Sheraton Bucks County 400 Oxford Valley Langhorne, PA 19047 Contact: Allen Brock Phone: 305-852-7678 Hours: Sun 10-4

### Greenhills Classic Stamp and Coin Show

Wilkinsburg Stamp Club

May 26th, 2019
American Legion
11100 Winton Road
Cincinnati, OH 45218
Contact: Xenia Coin
Phone: 937-376-2807
Hours: Sun 10-4
WILKPEX

May 31st - Jun 1st, 2019 Gateway Fire hall 4370 Northern Pike Monroeville, PA 15146 Contact: Danielle Weaver Phone: 412-727-1096 Hours: Fri 10-5, Sat 10-5

# **COLOPEX Columbus Philatelic Show**

Jun 14th - 15th, 2019 Saint Andrew - Nugent Parish Hall 1899 McCoy Rd Columbus, OH 43220 Contact: Van Siegling Phone: (614) 440-4173 Hours: Fri 10-6, Sat 10-3 Admission: Free

### **Montrose Stamp Bourse**

Jun 16th, 2019 Holiday Inn - Akron west 4073 Medina Road Akron, OH 44333 Contact: David Pool Phone: 330-832-5992 Hours: Sun 10-4

# Eastern PA Stamp Show (EPASS)

Jun 22nd, 2019 Jordan United Church of Christ 1837 Church Road Allentown, PA 18104 Contact: Jerry Morrow Phone: 610-974-9415 Hours: Sat 10-3:30

### **SCOPEX Stamp Show**

Jun 22nd - 23rd, 2019 American Philatelic society 100 Match Factory Place Bellefonte, PA 16823 Contact: Don Heller Phone: 814-861-5720 Hours: Sat & Sun ??

# Tri-State Monthly Coin & Stamp Show

June 23rd, 2019 Sheraton Bucks County 400 Oxford Valley Langhorne, PA 19047 Contact: Allen Brock Phone: 305-852-7678 Hours: Sun 10-4

### MSDA Cincinnati Area Stamp Show

Jun 29th - 30th, 2019 Four Points by Sheraton Cincinnati North 7500 Tylers Pl Blvd.

West Chester Township, OH

45069

Contact: Jim Bardo Phone: 847-634-2676 Hours: Sat 10-5, Sun 10-3

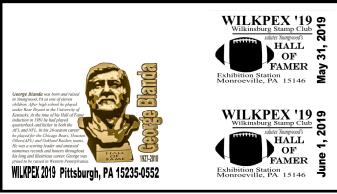
### **Lancaster Stamp Show**

Jun 30th, 2019 Farm & Home Center 1383 Arcadia Rd. Lancaster, PA 17601 Contact: Kevin Kellman Phone: 301-524-9562 Hours: Sun 10-4

# Greenhills Classic Stamp and Coin Show

June 30th, 2019 American Legion 11100 Winton Road Cincinnati, OH 45218 Contact: Xenia Coin Phone: 937-376-2807 Hours: Sun 10-4

### 2019 WILKPEX Cachet / Cancel and Souvenir Sheet

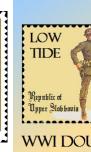


WILKPEX 2019 Cachet features George Blanda with one of the above cancels. The forever Stamp of Mr. Rogers will be used on the cachet.

George Blanda was born and raised in Youngwood, PA as one of eleven children. After high school he played under Bear Bryant at the University of Kentucky. At the time of his Hall of Fame induction in 1981 he had played quarterback and

kicker in both the AFL and NFL in his 26 - season career he played for the Chicago Bears, Houston Oilers (AFL) and Oakland Raider Teams. He was a scoring leader and amassed numerous records and honors throughout his long, illustrious career. George was proud to be raised in Western Pennsylvania.







### <mark>WWI DOUGHBOY <u>TURNING</u> THE TIDE</mark>

2019 EXHIBITION SOUVENIR SHEET

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB P.O.BOX 10552PITTSBURGH, PA 15234-0552

"Doughboy" dates back to the Mexican War of 1846-48, when American infantrymen made long treks over dusty and muddy terrain, giving them the appearance of being covered in flour, or dough. In 2018 the USPS paid tribute to the sacrifice of American soldiers and millions of supporters on the home front who experienced World War I and in its later stages, helped "turn the tide" in favor of the Allies.

Upper Slobbovia version shows a soldier no longer a 'doughboy' after *Turning the Tide* 

The new cachet & souvenir sheet will be available at the show.

For more information; Wilkinsburg Stamp Club C/o Gene Bujdos P.O. Box 5649, Pittsburgh, PA 15207.

### **Junior Corner**

The Tools of the Philatelists or Stamp Collector;

Postcard collecting is part of a hobby known as deltiology. Postal card collecting is part of the stamp hobby, which is also known as philately.

However, many philatelists also collect postcards that have stamps and postal markings upon them because they belong to a part of the stamp hobby known as postal history.

The United States Post Office Department issued its first postal card in 1873. The original rate was 1¢, and the first U.S. postal card, shown in Figure 1, was printed in brown with the image of Liberty inside an ornate oval frame.

At the top of the frame is the message "U.S. POSTAGE" and along the bottom is spelled out "ONE CENT."

In the 2000 Scott Specialized Catalogue of United States Stamps and Covers, postal cards

are illustrated and listed following regular-issue postage stamps, back-of-the-book issues (such as Official mail stamps and postage dues), booklets and stamped envelopes

More than 370 different U.S. postal cards have been issued since the first appeared 126 years ago.

As with postage stamps, condition is always an important factor in the collecting of postal cards. The collector should take care to preserve each card in the best possible condition.

Corners and edges of postal cards are particularly susceptible to damage.

Postal cards can be stored in clear plastic sleeves, appropriately sized stock pages, cover albums or other safe products handled by stamp supply dealers and local stamp dealers.

Collectors should always save the intact postal card and not cut out the imprinted stamp to save

on its own.

Imprinted stamps cut from postal cards are not listed in standard catalogs and have virtually no value among collectors. Cutting the postal card damages

an interesting piece of postal history, and information about how the card was used is lost in the process.

Postal cards are a rich source for topical collectors. Postal cards make up an enjoyable part of the stamp hobby and are a significant element of U.S. and foreign

postal history.

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# 50 Years ago - May/June 1968



### France

Series: Art fresco in the abbey of St. Savin (Vienne)

Theme: Art, Churches, Cathedrals, Basilicas, Chapels, Frescos, Saints

Issued on: May 30,1969 Size: 53 x 41 mm

Emission: Commemorative Perforation: comb 13 x 12½

Printing: Recess Colors: Multicolor

Face value: 1 F - French franc

Print run: 7,622,500



### Soviet Union, USSR

Series: Centenary of Mendeleev's Periodic Law of Centenary of Mendeleev's Periodic Law of Elements. Themes: Anniversaries and Jubilees | Chemistry | Chemists | Famous People | Scientists Issued on: May 20th 1969

Size: 52 x 37 mm

Emission: Commemorative Perforation: comb 121/2 x 12 Printing: Photogravure and Recess Colors: Multicolor Face value: 6 Russian kopek

Print run: 4,000,000



### Soviet Union, USSR

Hotel "Intourist" Series: 2500th Anniversary of

Samarkand Themes: Hotels

Issued on: June 15th 1969

Size: 37 x 52 mm Emission: Commemorative

Perforation: comb 12 x 12½ Printing: Typography Colors: Multicolor

Face value: 6 Russian kopek Print run: 6,000,000

### Mauritania

Series: International Year of

Africa Tourism

Themes: Animals (Fauna) Camels | Mammals Issued on: June 9th 1969 Emission: Air Post Printing: Recess

Face value: 50 CFA - West

African CFA franc