



# WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB NEWS

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## Sneak Peek from the USPS for 2019



**Philately** - is the study of stamps and postal history and other related items.

It also refers to collecting, research, and enjoyment, of stamps and other philatelic products.



**Hearts Blossom** - Love Stamp  
**Year of the Boar** - Chinese New Year

**Gregory Hines** - The 42nd stamp in the Black Heritage series  
**Alabama Flowers** - set of 10  
**Alabama Statehood**  
**Marvin Gaye**  
**USS "Missouri"**  
**Post Office Murals** - set of 5  
**US Flag**

**Wild & Scenic Rivers** - set of 12  
**Walt Whitman** - The words "THREE OUNCE" on this stamp indicate its usage value. Like a Forever stamp, it will always be valid for the rate printed on it.

**Frogs** - set of 4  
**State and County Fairs** - set of 4  
**Woodstock**  
**Winter Berries** - set of 4  
**Joshua Tree** - Priority stamp  
**Bethesda Fountain** - Priority Express

**Coral Reefs** - set of 4  
**California Dogface non machineable**  
**US Flag Stamp Envelope** - (not pictured)

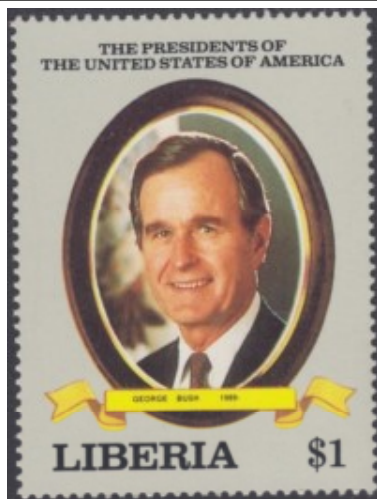
Since 1847, the stamp program has celebrated the people, events and cultural milestones unique to the history of the United States.

The 2019 stamp subjects continue this rich tradition. All stamps are forever stamps unless otherwise noted;

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## Notable People on Stamps:



**George H. W. Bush**  
 1924–2018  
 Country Liberia  
 Series: US Presidents  
 Issued on: Jan 20, 1989

Commemorative  
 Face value: 1 \$ - Liberian dollar

George Herbert Walker Bush was an American statesman and Republican Party politician who served as the 41st President of the United States from 1989 to 1993.

He is the father of the 43rd president of the United States, Prior to assuming the presidency, Bush served as the 43rd Vice President of the United States from 1981 to 1989. He had previously been a U.S. Representative, Ambassador, and Director of Central Intelligence Agency. During his career in public service, he was known simply as George Bush; after his eldest son George W. Bush became President of the United States in 2001, he was referred to as "George H. W.

Bush", "Bush 41", or "George Bush Senior".

He was a decorated Navy pilot, successful oil executive, congressman, United Nations delegate, Republican Party chairman, envoy to Beijing, director of central intelligence. Over the course of a single term that began Jan. 20, 1989, Mr. Bush found himself at the helm of the world's only remaining superpower. The Berlin Wall fell; the Soviet Union ceased to exist; the communist bloc in Eastern Europe broke up; the Cold War ended.

**Club News**

Weather permitting Jim Reeves will be setting up to sell at the January 27th meeting, He invites us to make requests of items needed, so he might bring them with him

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There was a good turnout for the Holiday party, nineteen members attended and eight guests, everyone enjoyed the fun, food and fellowship.

If you weren't able to attend, we missed you.

Dinner included fried Chicken hot vegetables, salads and much, much more. Of course it also included the traditional pierogi salad that Laura is famous for, and obligated to make every year...

Once everyone arrived, we got the food line started, and everyone sat and ate their fill, there was plenty for all. If anyone left hungry it was their own fault. The dessert table was chocked full of luscious sweets and most took at least one turn at that table.

Danielle Weaver gave out the Sparkling holidays souvenir sheet Con & Deb Foltyn handed out pens to the attendees.

**WSC Holiday Party**

To fill the time, while the slow eaters finished their meals, everyone was encouraged to work a stamp oriented word search puzzle .

Afterwards came the philatelic quiz that the late Tom Reiff started... and we are continuing in his memory.

While most worked on the quiz Danielle sold the tickets for the Chinese auctions, which included two old time radio CD sets, a Stamp book, a stamp puzzle and the new "revolving shadow box". The shadowbox was put together by Danielle, and donated to the club for the auction. Dave Aquino won the Shadowbox and he will sign the back and bring it back next year to be re-auctioned.

The Chinese auctions sold \$60.00 worth of tickets, and the Shadow box brought in another \$26.00

John Harding was the winner of the philatelic quiz, missing only two of the eleven questions. He won a Golden Hershey Almond Bar and twenty dollars cash.

Wish to thank all that attended and brought fellowship, and food  
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Revolving Shadow Box  
Great Job Danielle!



Food and Fellowship enjoyed by all...

**Upcoming Stamp, Shows**

**Fairview Park Universal Coin, Currency & Stamp Show**

Jan 6th, 2019  
 American Legion Post # 42  
 22001 Brookpark Rd.  
 Fairview Park, OH 44126  
 Contact: John Cotleur  
 Phone:  
 440-864-7473  
 Hours:  
 Sun 10-3  
 Admission:  
 Free

**Cranberry Stamp Show**

Jan 13th, 2019  
 VFW POST #7505  
 331 Mars Valencia Road  
 Mars, PA 16046  
 Contact: Kevin Kellman  
 Phone:  
 301-524-9562  
 Hours:  
 Sun 10-4  
 Admission:  
 Free

**York County PA Stamp Show**

Jan 25th - 26th, 2019

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Jan 25th - 26th, 2019  
 Sponsored by:  
 White Rose Philatelic Society  
 of York  
 York Expo Center  
 334 Carlisle Ave.  
 York, PA 17404  
 Contact: Gordon A Miller,  
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 Phone:  
 717-252-1191

Hours:  
 Sat 10-6  
 Admission:  
 Free

**WILKPEX 2019**

WILKPEX 2019  
 show dates  
 are  
 Friday, May 31st, 2019  
 Saturday, June 1st, 2019  
 This is a Friday and Saturday!

It will still once again held at  
 Gateway Hall in Monroeville.

Times for the show will be 10-5  
 on Friday and 10-5 on Saturday.

Set up will be Thursday evening.

Member Richard Melnick  
 donated a number of postcards  
 with a photo of the Lawrenceville  
 Doughboy to be sold at the  
 show...

So far we have eight dealers com-  
 mitted to WILKPEX 2019

**WSC 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  
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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.*

**Holiday Party continued from page 2**



Luscious Dessert Table



Chinese Auction Items

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to share.  
 After diner there was still so  
 much food, that containers were  
 filled to take home.  
 Thanks to the many helped with  
 the cleanup, which was,  
 as always, appreciated.



Tim ready to eat  
 Marge Santa's Helper

**Meetings**

**ALL Visitors are welcome!**

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

**January 13th, 2019**

**January 27th, 2018**

*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:  
 Wilksburg Stamp Club  
 and sent to:

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Special thanks to Laura for  
 sending some photos to share.

**Junior Corner**

**Officers**

This month we will talk about a **souvenir sheet** or **miniature sheet** is one or more postage stamps still attached to the sheet on which they were printed. They may be either regular issues that are printed in small groups (typical of many early stamps), or special issues often commemorating some event, such as a national anniversary, philatelic exhibition, or government program. The stamps on the sheet may be perforated in the usual way, or imperforate. The margins or selva of the sheet may have additional printing, ranging from a simple statement of the occasion being commemorated, up to a full picture of which the stamp/stamps are just a small part. The margins of the sheet may have ornamental designs, price, emblems and logo/logos which are not the part of stamp/stamps. Stamps on the miniature sheet can be in se-

tenant position while the same stamps were not se-tenants in regular issue. Both the stamps and the entire sheet are valid for mailing, although they are almost always sold above face value and kept in mint collection by collectors; a handful of usages may be found as philatelic covers. Luxembourg issued the first generally recognized souvenir sheet in 1923, a single 10-franc stamp, not otherwise available, inset in a larger blank sheet. The purpose was to honor the birth of Princess Elisabeth, Duchess of Hohenberg. Since the 1920s many other countries have produced souvenir sheets. The United States issued its first one in 1926, with new ones occasionally issued since that time. Starting in 1955 the United Nations has occasionally produced them. While some of the earliest souvenir sheets are valuable (for

instance in excellent condition the US White Plains sheet of 1926 is worth hundreds of dollars), modern ones are typically produced in considerable quantities and have no special value. Modified From Wikipedia,



2018 Sparkling Holidays Souvenir Sheet – forever stamp

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Andrew Novotny has joined the ranks of the archaic. **Happy Retirement!**

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**WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB**  
**Home of the Famous Satirical Souvenir**

**50 Years ago - January 2019**



**Beautification of America**

**Issue Date:** January 16, 1969  
**Quantity:** 192,570,000  
**Printed By:** Bureau of Engraving and Printing  
**Printing Method:** Lithographed, engraved  
**Perforations:** 11  
**Color:** Multicolored

Originally issued attached, as a

se-tenant, these stamps publicized First Lady Ladybird Johnson's personal program for the "Beautification of America". Its goal was to encourage Americans to take pride in their country and plant flowers and trees. Each stamp represents a different area improved under this program.



**British Ships**

Issued January 15 1969  
 Commemorative  
 Perforation: comb 15 x 14  
 Printing: Photogravure phosphor bands  
 Queen Elizabeth II, 5d

Elizabethan Galleon, 9d  
 East Indiaman, 9d  
 Cutty Sark, 9d  
 Great Britain, 1s  
 Mauretania I, 1s