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WONDER WOMAN'S 75th ANNIVERSARY (FIRST DAY OF ISSUE IS OCTOBER 7, 2016)

First seen in October 1941 in a back-up story for All Star Comics #8, meant to test her appeal at a time when female superheroes were rare, Wonder Woman quickly broke out and headlined her own title by the next year. Subsequent generations came to know the star-spangled heroine with metal bracelets on her wrists and a magic lasso by her waist via her hit 1975-79 television series and roles in animated shows and movies, as well as her historic appearance on the cover Ms. Magazine #1 in 1972. This past March, Wonder Woman was seen for the first time in a live action motion picture with her introduction in the movie "Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice."

The U.S. Postal Service celebrates her diamond anniversary by chronicling her evolution on Forever stamps from her World War II origins to today. This new issuance showcases four different stamp designs on a sheet of 20 stamps depicting Wonder Woman during four eras of comic book history: Golden Age (1941-55), Silver Age (1956-72), Bronze Age (1973-86) and Modern Age (1987-present). The selvage, or text outside of the stamp images, features the current block-letter Wonder Woman logo in white against a comic book style power burst rendered in shades of blue.



WONDER WOMAN ON TWO PREVIOUS U.S. STAMPS

Wonder Woman appeared on two U. S. stamps on the DC Comics Super Heroes Pane.



SCOTT #4084c

SCOTT #4084m

♪♪♪ HAPPY BIRTHDAY JOHN ♪♪♪

On October 9, 1940, one of the world's music icons was born. It was John Lennon. If he was alive today, he would be celebrating his 76th birthday. Below are images of a few stamps that have been issued in his honor.

SEE PAGE 3 FOR AN ARTICLE ABOUT JOHN LENNON



1995 AZERBAIJAN (#546)

1988 GERMANY (#B669)



1999 GIBRALTAR (Scott #804 - 803 -802)

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB - OCTOBER, 2016

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We meet on the second and fourth Sunday (except holidays and fourth Sunday in June, July and August) of each month. Meetings are from 12:30 P.M. until close of business, with the business meeting at 2:00 P.M. Meeting at the Churchill Borough Building, 2300 William Penn Hwy, Churchill, PA 15235.

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EDITOR'S PERSONAL NOTE...

The Pittsburgh Pirates missed the playoffs for the first time in the last 4 years. The Steelers are hoping to have a successful season and take it further in playoffs, maybe all the way to the Super Bowl. The current Stanley Cup Champion Penguins are already playing pre-season games.

***** GO STEELERS AND PENUINS! *****

OCTOBER, 2016 MEETING DATES

October 9th and October 23rd
On October 23rd we will have "SHOW and TELL" after the meeting. Bring one of your "favorites."

**FLAT SCREEN COLOR TV AVAILABLE FOR THE
PITTSBURGH STEELERS GAMES.**

***** PLEASE JOIN US *****

This newsletter is published ten times per year. Eight issues are published monthly for the months of January, February, March, April, September, October, November and December. For the months of May through August, two issues are published, one for the months of MAY-JUNE and one for the months of JULY-AUGUST.

****** OUR FISCAL YEAR IS JULY 1 – JUNE 30 ******

CLUB NEWS

ANNUAL DUES: We still have 12 members who have not paid their dues for Fiscal Year 2015 (July, 2016 through June 2017.) If you haven't complied, please **DO IT NOW** while you are reading this. Please do not let your membership expire. **IF YOU OWE, A NOTICE SHOULD BE INCLUDED WITH THIS NEWSLETTER.**

ANNUAL LUNCHEON: This year the Club had our annual luncheon. This year it was held at the Gateway Grill in Monroeville. It was attended by **14** members and/or guests. It was a fun time for all.

MEMBER REQUEST: Recent member Marilyn Spohn wishes get in contact with other members to possibly buy and sell. Marilyn's interest is in U.S. stamps. She also indicated that she has other stamps and collections (U.S and foreign) for sale. If interested in connecting with Marilyn, please contact her by phone at 412-487-9296 or via email at mspohn1@verizon.net.

APS ROAD TRIP: On Friday, September 23, 2016 members Danielle Weaver, Marty Cooper and also a member for the Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh made a road trip to the APS in Bellefonte, PA. They had a great time finding items for their collections and talking with some of the APS associates. Next trip will not be scheduled until 2017. We will keep you informed.

WILKPEX 2017 EXHIBITS: Once again we will have a total of 20 frames available. To date the club is reserving at least 2 frames for club exhibits. Several members have reserved 14 frames. So, we have only 4 frames left.

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB – OCTOBER, 2016

JOHN LENNON - BORN THIS MONTH

John Winston Ono Lennon, MBE (born John Winston Lennon; 9 October 1940 – 8 December 1980) was an English singer and songwriter who co-founded the Beatles (1960-70), the most commercially successful band in the history of popular music. With fellow member Paul McCartney, he formed a lucrative songwriting partnership.

His parents named him John Winston Lennon after his paternal grandfather, John "Jack" Lennon, and then-Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

At age 15, Lennon formed the skiffle group, the Quarrymen. Named after Quarry Bank High School, the group was established by him in September 1956. By the summer of 1957, the Quarrymen played a "spirited set of songs" made up of half skiffle and half rock and roll. Lennon first met Paul McCartney at the Quarrymen's second performance, held in Woolton on 6 July at the St. Peter's Church garden fête, after which he asked McCartney to join the band.

As a member of The Beatles, formed in 1960, he enjoyed much success with the group and later as a solo artist.

Lennon revealed a rebellious nature and acerbic wit in his music, writing and drawings, on film and in interviews. Controversial through his political and peace activism, he moved to Manhattan in 1971, where his criticism of the Vietnam War resulted in a lengthy attempt by Richard Nixon's administration to deport him, while some of his songs were adopted as anthems by the anti-war movement and the larger counterculture.

Tragically on 8 December 1980, Lennon was shot by Mark David Chapman in the archway of the Dakota, his residence in New York City. Lennon had just returned from Record Plant Studio with his wife, Yoko Ono.

After sustaining four major gunshot wounds, Lennon was pronounced dead on arrival at Roosevelt Hospital. At the hospital, it was stated that nobody could have lived longer than a few minutes after sustaining such injuries. Shortly after local news stations reported Lennon's death, crowds gathered at Roosevelt Hospital and in front of the Dakota. Lennon was cremated at the in Hartsdale, New York, two days after his death; the ashes were given to Ono, who chose not to hold a funeral for him. The first media report of Lennon's death to a US national audience was announced by Howard Cosell, on ABC's *Monday Night Football*.

John Lennon (individually and with The Beatles) has been featured on stamps from quite a few countries and, if you are looking to start a new topic or collection, John Lennon and/or The Beatles would be a good one.

DID YOU KNOW THAT JOHN LENNON WAS A STAMP COLLECTOR?

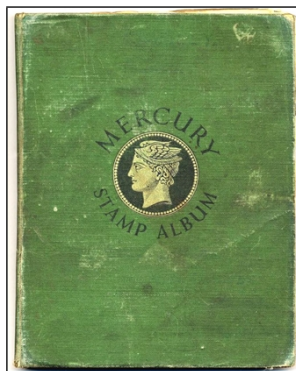
JOHN LENNON'S STAMP ALBUM

Like many youngsters in England during the 1940s and 1950s, young John Lennon collected stamps. But unlike most of his peers, John grew up to become a musician and songwriter who experienced extraordinary worldwide fame. As a founding member of the Beatles, the adult John Lennon left stamp collecting behind him, but his childhood album survives and was on display at World Stamp Show-NY 2016.

The hardcover Mercury stamp album is part of the collection of the Smithsonian's National Postal Museum in Washington, D.C., where it was first displayed in 2005 after the museum purchased it from Stanley Gibbons Ltd., of London, England.

It was originally a gift to the future Beatle from his older cousin, Stanley Parkes, who died in January 2016. Lennon's youthful signature appears on the front flyleaf in three places. One inscription also includes his Liverpool address at 251 Menlove Ave. That's where he lived with his Aunt Mary (known as "Mimi") and her husband George.

Images of the album below provided by the National Postal Museum show facing pages containing more than 30 New Zealand stamps that Lennon obtained through correspondence with relatives, the museum explains.



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THE NEW ZEALAND PAGES

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Upcoming Stamp, Postcard and Collectible Shows

STAMP SHOW – October 1 - Chambersburg, PA. Cumberland Valley Philatelic Society Fall Stamp Expo. Chambersburg Recreation Center: Route 30 at I-81 Exit 16; go west to 3rd Street - turn left at Post Office; go 2 1/2 blocks, on right. Sat: 10 AM-5 PM. Bourse Only (no exhibits.) U.S. Post Office. Snack Bar. FREE admission. Cumberland Valley Philatelic Society.

POSTCARDS, STAMPS, ETC. - October 8 - Columbus, OH. 41st Annual HEART OF OHIO POSTCARD SHOW and EPHEMERA SHOW. Haimeri Center, 1421 Morse Road (0.9 miles east of I-71, exit 116), Columbus. Presented by the HEART OF OHIO POSTCARD CLUB, this popular event offers a spacious facility with good food, FREE parking, and lots of great postcards, stamps, comics, books, magazines, covers and much, much more! 20+ dealers. Saturday 9 AM-4 PM. ADMISSION \$4.00.

STAMP SHOW – October 9 – Fall CAPEX 2016 - Capital City Philatelic Society, Sara Lindenmuth Elementary School, 1201 N. Progress Ave., Harrisburg, PA. Bourse Only (no exhibits.)

STAMP SHOW – October 16 – **CRANBERRY (MARS), PA** – K2 Collectibles (Kevin Kellman) – VFW Post 7505, 331 Mars Valencia Road, Mars Pa. Sunday, 10AM – 4PM

STAMP SHOW – October 15 – **GETTYPEX '16** – Gettysburg Fire Company, 35 N. Stratton St. – Blue & Gray Stamp Club, SAT 10AM – 5PM

STAMP SHOW – October 29-30 - Rocky River, OH. Cuy-LorPex 2014. Rocky River Memorial Hall, 21016 Hilliard Boulevard (near corner of Hilliard Blvd. & Wagar Road), Rocky River. Sat: 10 AM-5 PM. Sun: 10 AM-4 PM. 15 dealers. FREE admission. FREE parking. Show cachets & postmarks. Exhibits. USPS sales.

STAMP SHOW – November 5-6 – **PITTPLEX '16** South Fayette Fire Hall, 661 Millers Run Rd., Bridgeville, PA. Sat. 10AM – 5PM Sun 10AM – 4PM FREE

STAMP SHOW – November 12 – 70th annual Johnstown Stamp Show – Johnstown Stamp Club, Johnstown Activities Center (Main Hall), 550 Main Street, Johnstown. Sat. 10AM – 4PM

ATTEND A SHOW – FIND A TREASURE

PITTSBURGH AREA STAMP CLUB WEBSITES

Here are our local stamp clubs Internet Web Sites. Once you access this URL, you may be able to navigate to other parts of the web site.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY PHILATELIC SOCIETY
<http://www.muleshoepa.com/WCPS/WCPS.HTM>

PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF PITTSBURGH
<http://www.presidentdrive.com>

50 YEARS AGO – OCTOBER 1966



1966 GREAT BRITAIN (Scott. #477 or #477p)



2000 DOMINICA – BETTY FRIEDAN (Scott #2251f)

HISTORICAL FACTS WITH PHILATELIC CONNECTIONS OVER THE YEARS, STAMPS HAVE BEEN ISSUED THE BATTLE OF HASTINGS, , BETTY FRIEDAN AND STAEMPS RELATED TO WOMEN'S RIGHTS

OCTOBER 14, 1966 - The 900th anniversary of the Battle of Hastings was observed. The General Post Office of the UK issued commemorative four-penny stamps (Scott 470-477 and 470p-477p) throughout Britain. Some purchasers of these stamps found "color omitted" errors that increased the rarity (and the value) of their purchase, including one example where the "gold" image of the Queen had been omitted (that can be "chemically" counterfeited.)

OCTOBER 29, 1966 - The National Organization for Women (NOW) was officially incorporated during its first national conference, held in Washington, DC, and adopted a preamble that declared its purpose to be "to take action to bring women into full participation in the mainstream of American society now, exercising all the privileges and responsibilities thereof in truly equal partnership with men." Betty Friedan was elected the first president.