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SEPTEMBER 2016 NEW ISSUES

STAR TREK

(FIRST DAY OF ISSUE IS SEPTEMBER 2)

The USPS will be celebrating 50 years of *Star Trek* with new “forever” stamps. The official dedication ceremony for the stamps will take place at the *Star Trek: Mission New York* conference held at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center on Friday, September 2, 2016.

The new *Star Trek* stamps, under license by CBS Consumer Products, features four different digital illustrations inspired by the classic show which premiered on September 8, 1966 in the United States.

They were designed by Heads of State of Philadelphia, under the art direction of Antonio Alcalá of Alexandria, VA. The four stamps offered are the following.

The Starship Enterprise inside the outline of a Starfleet insignia against a gold background

The silhouette of a crewman in a transporter against a red background

The silhouette of the Enterprise from above against a green background

The Enterprise inside the outline of the Vulcan salute (Spock’s iconic hand gesture / salute) against a blue background



JACK-O-LANTERNS

(FIRST DAY OF ISSUE IS SEPTEMBER 29)

In the spirit of Halloween, the Postal Service issues these delightfully eerie stamps featuring photographs of four different jack-o'-lanterns. These creatively carved pumpkins have been symbols of Halloween in the United States since the late 19th century, not long after celebrations of the holiday began here. These are the first Halloween-themed stamps issued by the Postal Service.

Paul Montanari designed and carved the pumpkins under the art direction of Derry Noyes of Washington, DC. Sally Anderson-Bruce photographed the lit jack-o'-lanterns used on the stamps.



TO YOUR LEFT IS THE 1999 USA STAR TREK STAMP (SCOTT #3188e) FROM THE CELEBRATE THE CENTURY SERIES.

SEE PAGE 3 FOR AN ARTICLE ABOUT THE STAR TREK ANNIVERSARY

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB – SEPTEMBER, 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.

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

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THE EDITOR WRITES...

The Pittsburgh Pirates are still in the hunt for a playoff spot. It would be nice if they make it again. The Steelers are hoping to better their 2015 record of 10-6. The regular season starts on Monday, September 12th against the Washington Redskins at FedEx Field in Landover, Maryland.

*** GO BUCS! and GO STEELERS! ***

SEPTEMBER 2016 MEETING DATES

September 11th and September 25th

On September 25th we will have "SHOW and TELL" before the meeting. Bring one of your "favorites."

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

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

SAD NEWS TO REPORT (1): Gertrude "Trudy" Badali, mother of member William (Bill) Badali passed away on July 17th. Trudy was born in Brooklyn, New York on March 28, 1928. Until recently, she attended some of our meetings with Bill and also helped out at our WILKPEX Filatelic Phlea market where Bill has been serving as supervisor. Trudy will be missed by her family and all that knew her.

SAD NEWS TO REPORT (2): The club learned in July that member/dealer Jeffrey (Jeff) Hutter, Sr. passed away suddenly on June 2nd at the age of 65.. He was a stamp collector since the 50's and became a dealer in the early 90's with his late father Luther Hutter Sr. Jeff was a member of the APS and also the Tri-State Stamp Club in Cumberland. He participated as a dealer at our annual shows, most recently in 2014 and 2015. His stock was always well organized and he had a great sense of humor. Jeff lived in Cumberland, Maryland and was CEO of TRW Communications. Jeff will be missed by his family and all that knew him.

NEW SECRETARY: Lorraine Vincent is our new Club Secretary. She was "officially" nominated and elected at the August 14th meeting. Her current term in July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018. Thank you Lorraine!

ANNUAL LUNCHEON: The annual Club luncheon has been scheduled for September 24, 2016 at 1:00 PM at the Gateway Grill (<http://www.gatewaygrill.net>) located at 4251 Northern Pike in Monroeville. A list was passed around at the August 14th meeting for attendees. For others that are interested, please RSVP by Saturday, September 10th by contacting Danielle Weaver by phone at 724-492-1192 or via e-mail at: dmm742000@yahoo.com.

APS TRIP: A "road trip" to the APS in Bellefonte, PA is scheduled for Friday, September 23rd. If you are interested in going please RSVP by contacting Danielle Weaver via e-mail at: dmm742000@yahoo.com or by phone at 724-492-1192. We will be leaving from the Churchill Borough building lower parking lot at **8:00 AM SHARP**.

2017 CATALOGUES: The new 2017 Scott catalogues Volumes 1 through 4 are now available at the meetings.

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB – SEPTEMBER, 2016

50 YEARS AGO THIS MONTH - THE STAR TREK PHENOMENON BEGINS

Little did anyone know that when Star Trek debuted on September 8, 1966 (September 6, 1966 in Canada) that it would grow into the phenomenon that it is today.

Currently Star Trek has had a total of 725 episodes on TV with more to come in 2017. Also there have been 13 Star Trek films/movies made thus far.

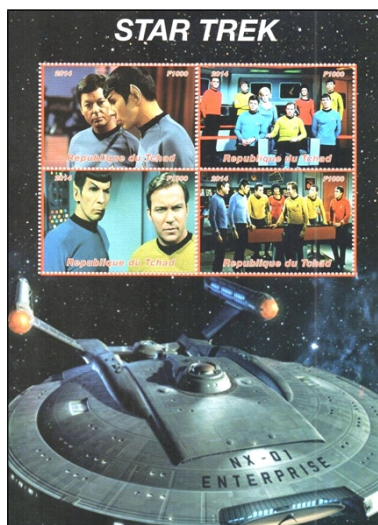
Star Trek is an American science fiction entertainment franchise created by Gene Roddenberry and owned by CBS and Paramount Pictures. The television series *Star Trek: The Original Series* (79 episodes), *Star Trek: The Animated Series* (22 episodes), *Star Trek: The Next Generation* (178 episodes), *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine* (176 episodes), *Star Trek: Voyager* (172 episodes), *Star Trek: Enterprise* (98 episodes), *Star Trek: Discovery* (due to premier in January, 2017) as well as the *Star Trek* film franchise make up the franchise's canon.

The first series, now referred to as *The Original Series*, debuted in September 1966 and ran for three seasons on NBC. It followed the galactic adventures of James T. Kirk and the crew of the starship *Enterprise*, an exploration vessel of a 23rd-century interstellar "United Federation of Planets". These adventures continued in the short-lived *Star Trek: The Animated Series* and six feature films. Four spin-off television series were eventually produced: *Star Trek: The Next Generation* followed the crew of a new starship *Enterprise* set a century after the original series; *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine* and *Star Trek: Voyager*, set contemporaneously with *The Next Generation*; and *Star Trek: Enterprise*, set before the original series, in the early days of human interstellar travel. Four additional *The Next Generation* feature films were produced. In 2009, the film franchise underwent a "reboot" set in an alternate timeline, the "Kelvin Timeline", titled simply *Star Trek*. This film featured a new cast portraying younger versions of the crew from the original show. A sequel to that film, *Star Trek Into Darkness*, premiered on May 16, 2013. A thirteenth film feature and sequel, *Star Trek Beyond*, was released in July 2016, to coincide with the franchise's 50th anniversary. A new *Star Trek* TV series, titled *Star Trek: Discovery*, will premiere in January 2017 on the digital platform CBS All Access.

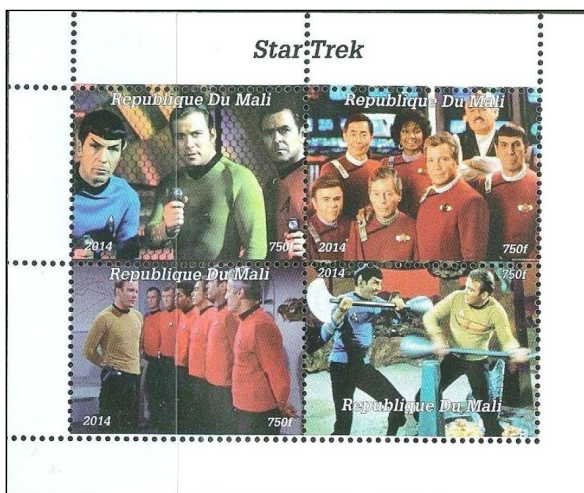
Star Trek has been a cult phenomenon for decades. Fans of the franchise are called Trekkies or Trekkers. The franchise spans a wide range of spin-offs including games, figurines, novels, toys, and comics. *Star Trek* had a themed attraction in Las Vegas that opened in 1998 and closed in September 2008. At least two museum exhibits of props travel the world. The series has its own full-fledged constructed language, Klingon. Several parodies have been made of *Star Trek*. In addition, viewers have produced several fan productions.

Star Trek is noted for its influence on the world outside of science fiction. It has been cited as an inspiration for several technological inventions, including the cell phone and tablet computers.^[2] The franchise is also noted for its progressive civil rights stances. *The Original Series* included one of television's first multiracial casts. *Star Trek* references can be found throughout popular culture from movies such as the submarine thriller *Crimson Tide* to the animated series *South Park*.

SEVERAL COUNTRIES HAVE ISSUED STAR TREK STAMPS AND SOUVENIR SHEETS. BELOW ARE SOME STAMP IMAGES (3 SOUVENIR SHEETS) COMMEMORATING AND RELATING TO THE VARIOUS STAR TREK TV SERIES (SEE PAGE 1 FOR THE 2016 USPS STAMPS)



2014 CHAD – SS



2014 MALI – SS



2015 – SS

WILKINSBURG STAMP CLUB – SEPTEMBER, 2016**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

Upcoming
Stamp, Postcard and Collectible Shows

STAMP SHOW – September 2-4 – **HUNT VALLEY, MD (BALTIMORE)** — BALPEX 2016 – Marriott's Hunt Valley Inn, 245 Shawan Road, I-83 Exit 20 E Hunt Valley, MD. Fri & Sat 10AM – 6PM, Sun 10AM – 4PM. Admission Charged. See website for discount coupon, etc. at: <http://www.balpex.org/balpex.html>

STAMP SHOW - September 18 - **HUDSON, OH.** Hudson Stamp Bourse. Hudson Clarion Inn, 6625 Dean Memorial Parkway (just north of Route 8 and Ohio Turnpike intersection), Hudson. SAME LOCATION AS PREVIOUS YEARS. (The street was renamed.) Sun: 10 AM-4 PM. FREE admission and parking.

STAMP SHOW – September 24 - **PITTSBURGH, PA** - K2 Collectibles (Kevin Kellman) – Masonic Temple (Hall), Lower Level, 9521 Saltsburg Road, Plum Boro, PA 15239.

POSTCARD SHOW – September 24 – **PITTSBURGH, PA** - Three Rivers Postcard Club, Fairhaven United Methodist Church, 2415 Saw Mill Run Blvd. (Route 51), Pittsburgh, PA 15234. 9AM – 4PM Admission \$2.00

POSTCARDS, STAMPS, ETC. - Oct 8 - **COLUMBUS, OH.** 41st Annual HEART OF OHIO POSTCARD SHOW. Haimel 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!
Saturday 9 AM-4 PM. ADMISSION \$4.00.

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

And don't forget, during the year, weather permitting, Trader Jack's Flea Market (every Sat-Sun), Hannastown (MAY-SEP 2nd Sunday), Bull Creek (MAY-OCT 3rd Sunday), Washington Antiques Fair (Consol Energy Park – Last Sunday of the month), etc.

PITTSBURGH AREA STAMP CLUB WEBSITES

Here are some interesting 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 – SEPTEMBER 1966

1963 CZECHOSLOVAKIA
(TELEVISION SERVICE)



2016 CANADA
(STAR TREK)



1989 ST. VINCENT
(NOLAN RYAN)

HISTORICAL FACTS WITH PHILATELIC CONNECTIONS OVER THE YEARS, STAMPS HAVE BEEN ISSUED FOR TELEVISION, STAR TREK, NOLAN RYAN & BASEBALL

SEPTEMBER 1, 1966 – Color television was introduced to Canada. At the time, an estimated 50,000 of the five million sets in Canada were color TVs, so 99 percent of viewers continued to see the programming in black and white.

SEPTEMBER 8, 1966 – Star Trek, the new science fiction television series from NBC-TV, was broadcast for the first time on American television, with its first episode "The Man Trap" showing at 8:30 p.m. Eastern time. However, Star Trek, an American show starring Canadian-born William Shatner had actually been televised first in Canada two days earlier, at 7:30 p.m. on the CTV network.

SEPTEMBER 11, 1966 – Pitcher Nolan Ryan played his first Major League Baseball game, beginning a career that would last 27 years and 807 games (773 of them as the starting pitcher). In 1966, at age 19, he was the second-youngest major league player, and when he finished in 1993 at age 46, he was the oldest.

ATTEND A SHOW – FIND A TREASURE