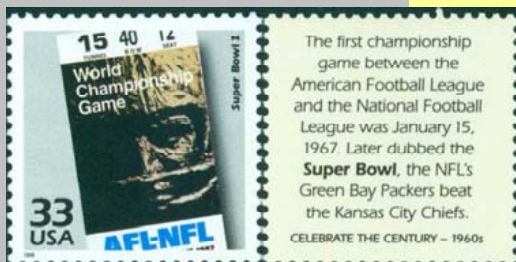


On December 9th we attempted to eat our way through the Vernon Hills Old Country Buffet at our annual Holiday Brunch. By using the club's rebate on dues and the buffet's senior discount the out of pocket cost was about \$1.50 (for paid up club members) for all you could eat - not too bad a price.

LCPS President Tom Willer took this photo of the group towards the end of the event.



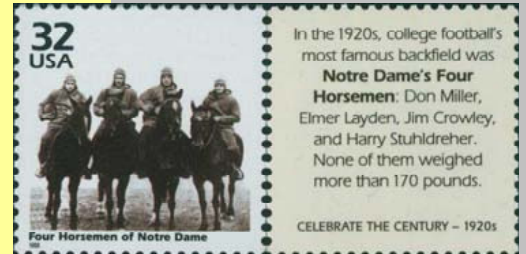
A Century of Sports On Stamps



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The first championship game between the American Football League and the National Football League was January 15, 1967. Later dubbed the **Super Bowl**, the NFL's Green Bay Packers beat the Kansas City Chiefs.

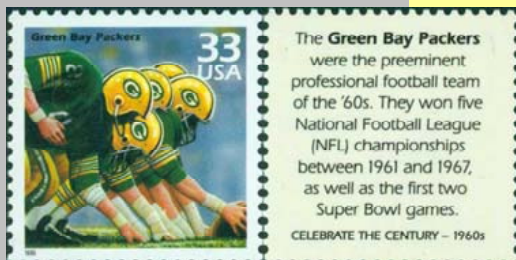
On February 4, 2007 at 1700, the one event that shuts down most of the nation (and fills the malls with bored wives) will start in Dolphin Stadium -- Super Bowl XLI.



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In the 1920s, college football's most famous backfield was **Notre Dame's Four Horsemen**: Don Miller, Elmer Layden, Jim Crowley, and Harry Stuhldreher. None of them weighed more than 170 pounds.

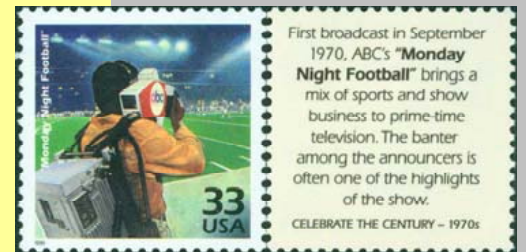
The Super Bowl event has made it four appearances on stamps of the 150 stamp **Celebrate the Century** series issued at the end of the *last* century.



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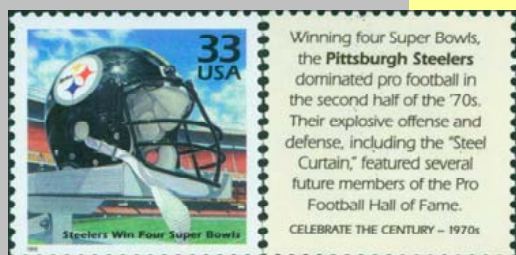
The **Green Bay Packers** were the preeminent professional football team of the '60s. They won five National Football League (NFL) championships between 1961 and 1967, as well as the first two Super Bowl games.

In general, sports and sporting events were will represented in this series - 21 (~15%) with baseball the favorite with seven entries (1900, 1920, 1940, 1950 - 2, 1960, 1990). Football with six (1920, 1960 - 2, 1970 - 2, 1980), Boxing - three (1900, 1910, 1950) and one each for Track, Golf, Auto Racing, Horse racing and Figure Skating rounded out the count.



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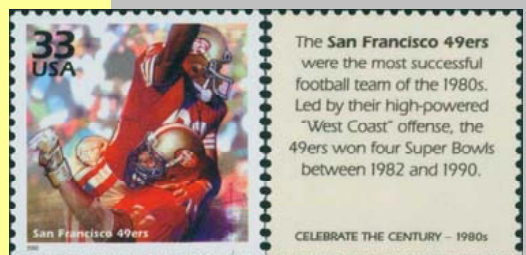
First broadcast in September 1970, ABC's **"Monday Night Football"** brings a mix of sports and show business to prime time television. The banter among the announcers is often one of the highlights of the show.



Scott 3189e

Winning four Super Bowls, the **Pittsburgh Steelers** dominated pro football in the second half of the '70s. Their explosive offense and defense, including the "Steel Curtain," featured several future members of the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

One final note – dues are coming due



Scott 3190c

The **San Francisco 49ers** were the most successful football team of the 1980s. Led by their high-powered "West Coast" offense, the 49ers won four Super Bowls between 1982 and 1990.