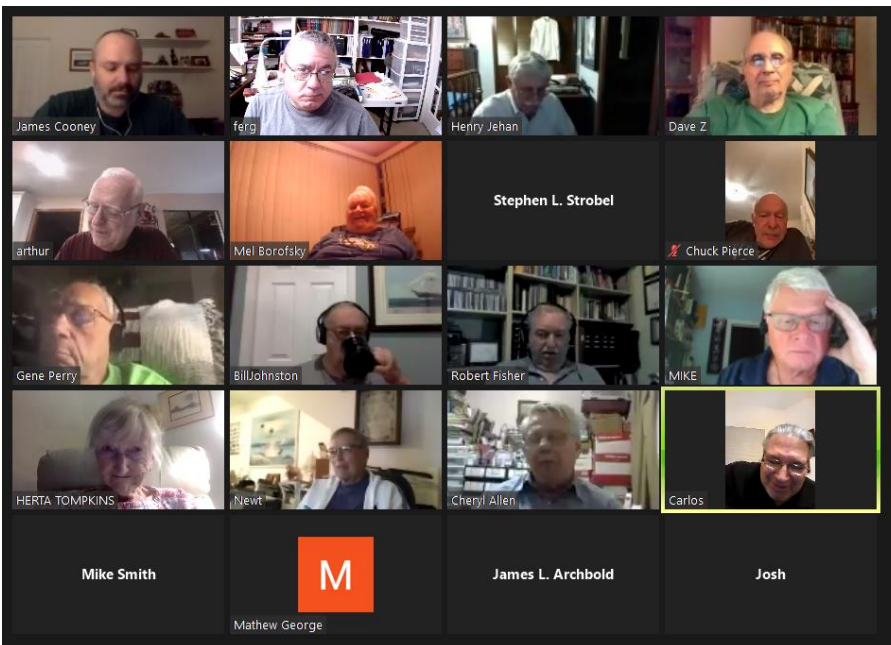


January Meeting Reports

Zoom It Is – For Now



The first Zoom meeting of 2021 was attended by 22 folks. Chuck Pierce won the \$10 door prize to be used as some future date. This meeting was a continuation of the show & tell from December. The New Zealand stamp is from Gary Byrd's collection of 1945 issues.



The second meeting had 23 in attendance. Carlos Guffain won the \$10 door prize. This meeting was a replacement for the required annual membership gathering that is required by the By-Laws. The club officers gave their reports and there was a period of time for questions to be asked. The Editor of the *Philatelic Missive* announced a sabbatical for 4 months (March to June). Recent health issues -- while not horrible have driven home the point that it is time to step back a little from the monthly demands. It is hoped that the next four months will be of great restorative powers. The newsletter will return in July as a quarterly publication.

Closed Album: Larry Stiles

by A. Stephen Patrick

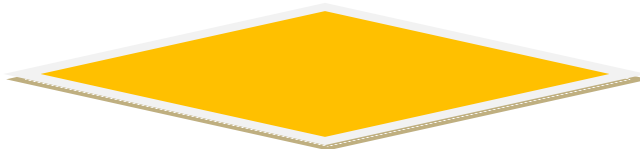
Larry Stiles, a longtime member of the CFSC, passed to his rest November 14th in an Orlando hospital. He was 84, born in Chicago April 15, 1936 and was a graduate of Duke University. He taught high school history for about 20 years, partially in Baltimore until he took an early retirement in the 1980s in Orlando. He was an active member of the Central Florida Shell Club as well as our stamp club.



Larry was cremated and will be buried next to his parents. He was proud of his father's service in WW I who retired as a major in the U.S. Marines. About 10 years ago he took a guided tour of WWI battlefields in France as well as D-Day sites. Several times Larry was the storyteller for the club on our youth nights. He gave several programs over the years including "The Yangtse River Patrol" and "The Pearl Harbor U.S. Naval Covers." During COVID-19 last June, I took his collection of Civil War covers and turned them into a Zoom meeting for our club called "Larry Stile's Civil War."

Larry was an only child but was devoted to his many cousins who lived in Wisconsin and North Carolina. He would take trips north each summer to visit many of them. In 2013 Larry and I attended the APS show in Milwaukee together, and Larry treated his favorite dealer Paul Huber and wife and me at his cousin's restaurant. Larry was a friend to all, and he will be missed.

Editor's note: Larry was one of the first club members I ever encountered when I walked into my first club meeting March of 2000. He was always a welcoming person to talk with. His warmth and humor were wonderful to experience. Rest in peace friend.



The Philatelic Missive Article Awards for 2020

Welcome to the awards ceremony for the best article in the Philatelic Missive for 2020. This event will be virtual in keeping with acceptable standards of interaction. I would like to thank everyone who provided material for the newsletter last year for without that support the finished product would have been much thinner. A disappointing 15 ballots were received and tabulated by the Editor. After much consideration and thought the Editor recused himself from the awards as he finished in the top placing. The following individuals are going to be in receipt of dollars as noted.

First place	Robert Fisher, \$40, World War II, Polish Displaced Persons Camp
Second place	Phil Fettig, \$20, Mail Home from World War II
Third place	Rick Cohen, \$20, A Cover More Than a Stamp and an Envelope
Fourth place	Phil Fettig, \$10, So How Did Lindberg Get Home from Paris in 1927?
Fifth place	John Latter, \$10, The Tallyln Railroad