

# CENTRAL FLORIDA STAMP CLUB

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## Program Schedule (July/Aug/Sept)

The first meeting of July is Orlando Postal History by Phil F. and the second night will have Francis F. talking about graded material.

August meetings --- the first one will have Josh F. on the topic of "You collect what?" The second meeting is a \$5 Super Auction night.

September meetings --- the first is unscheduled while the second one is Youth Night Part II

Board meetings for 2008 are July 31, & October 30. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

#### June Meeting recaps

The first meeting was a surprise! Besides having an active auction that totaled nearly \$300, we had four new members signup! Three youth and one adult have become new members. In addition we had a visiting Father and son, who will more than likely join in the near future. Congratulations to Steve P., who won the quiz (delayed from May) with a perfect score --- only a handful have been achieved in the 70+ quizzes given over the last 6 years. The second meeting was graced with Steve P. talking about Sky Lab related material. The quiz was won with an outstanding score by Tom Kinney. Congratulations to Tom!

#### **Dinner Plans**

It is pretty much a standing order at this point in time --- some of us eat dinner at Viet Garden at 6pm before each meeting. (Located on the NW corner of Shine and Colonial, one block east of the intersection of Colonial and Mills. Just bring your appetite – and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956. Everything goes better with food --- be there or be missed!

#### Glue (glōō) n.

- 1. An adhesive substance or solution; a viscous substance used to join or bond.
- An adhesive obtained by boiled animal collagen and drying the residue. tr. v. glued, gluing, glues. To stick or fasten together with or as if with glue.

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Every club member is going to want to be present and accounted for at every meeting --- but especially at the Holiday party in December. ③

#### **SUNPEX 2008**

The show was a nice success with attendance numbers well above 2007. Even Sunday which is typically a dull day, was pretty active up until 2pm. Thank you to everyone who exhibited at the show. The winners are:

1<sup>st</sup> Place, Josh F. with *Precancel Postal Cards* 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Phil F. with *Florida Ships* 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Steve P. with *Christmas Seals* 

The Alvin Hintz award for British Commonwealth was won by Al N. with *The Queen's Jubilee*. The People's Choice Award went to the nicely done effort by Jean L. with, *Hey Babe, What's Your Sign?* 

Many thanks to everyone who took the time and went through the trouble of participating in the exhibit. Your efforts were well received by the public who viewed the material!

A special thank you to the Scott and Joan from the Triangle Stamp Club in Mt. Dora/Eustis, who came and staffed the registration table. Your help is deeply appreciated.

# www.centralfloridastampclub.org

#### **Event Calendar 2008**

CFSS-Fall (BSC	C) Sept 27-28, 2008
FLOREX 2008	Dec 5, 6, 7, 2008
For more info:	www.FloridaStampShows.com

#### Monthly Fun with Stamps Quizzes

- > July Service  $(2^{nd} meeting)$
- Aug Captain Kirk said .... (1<sup>st</sup> meeting)
- > Sept Point A to Point B  $(1^{st} meeting)$
- ➢ Oct Hocus Pocus VI (1<sup>st</sup> meeting)
- Nov High Five Liberty (2<sup>nd</sup> meeting)

### **Remembering Ernie Douglass**

By Steve P.

It's sad to hear from Roy Anderson the passing of Ernie Douglass recently at his home in Canada. Ernie was a snowbird who kept a Central Florida home and club membership in the 1990's. I drove to CAPEX 1996 and stayed with Ernie and his wife near Toronto. Not only did I enjoy stamps, but Ernie loved to play a form of canasta called Hand and foot. We played every night with his daughter making the foursome. Ernie saved inexpensive used stamps but he was meticulous with his inventory and self-made albums.

# Postmaster Juanita Tucker 1907-2008

By Steve P.

Juanita Tucker served as postmaster of Christmas, Florida, from 1932 to 1974. It was she who started putting ink stamped Christmas trees on outgoing holiday mail in 1934. Volunteers would help mark the thousands of letters and cards during the holiday season. Her son Cecil Tucker II received a plaque in her honor at the opening of the Art of the Stamp exhibit at the Orange County Regional History Center in October. Her obituary appeared May 21.

# **Medical Questions**

By Stuart B.

Question: What does having surgery and going to visit Georgia have in common?

Answer: Anesthesia.

Think Dr. Crawford Long. In Georgia in 1842, Dr. Long figured out to use ether for general anesthesia.

He was the first though others claimed it. There was litigation and all participants ended up either poor, insane or suicidal. Suing is hazardous to your health. As a college student during "Frolics" he thought of using ether as an anesthetic.

His old office is a museum that you can go there if you want to skip surgery on your self. The museum is near Gainesville, Georgia in Jefferson. Dr. Long, a Georgia native, was in the Confederate

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militia during the Civil War, but never activated. He used ether several times ...even twice on the same patient.

In 1940 in Thirty Five Famous American series, Dr. Long appeared on a stamp in his honor. The stamp was issued April 8, 1940; the date

of first use of anesthesia is March 30, 1842. The bill was two dollars for the procedure of removing a cyst and 25 cents for anesthesia. March 30th is also known as Doctor's Day. At least it was before managed care came along!

Why the issue date? Nobody knows...perhaps it was just convenient.

In 1920, a Georgia constitutional amendment passed creating a county in southeast Georgia named Long County, honoring Dr. Long. Emory University named one of its large teaching hospitals, Crawford Long Hospital. A statue of Crawford Long is in the U.S. Capitol.

**My advice**: Collect the stamp and stay out of any hospital if you can. Hospitals are full of strange 'difficult to treat' bugs. I had one once. I did not get it in the hospital, but had to go to the hospital to get rid of it. It worked!! I had the stamp at the time.

# Quotable

"I used to be Snow White, but I drifted." The unique American actress and very quotable, legend --- Mae West (1893 -- 1980)

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