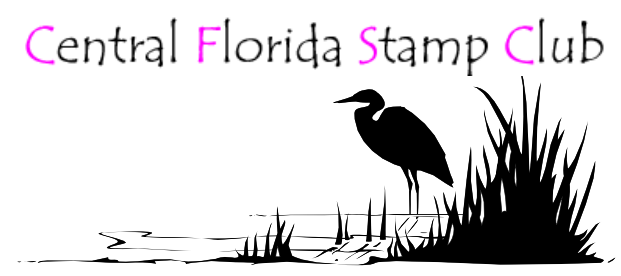




January 2009

The Central Florida Stamp Club is a 70+ year old organization governed by a Board of Directors elected by the general membership every two years and, dedicated to the enjoyment of the hobby of stamp collecting.

- Membership is a reasonable \$12 per year, \$6 for youth.
- Meetings are twice a month on the first and third Thursdays.
- The Membership of the CFSC includes many diverse interests that cover the range from A-Z and everything in between.
- The meeting location is centrally located to downtown Orlando and can be easily accessed from SR 50 (Colonial Drive) and I/4.
- The Marks Street Senior Center has been our host for the last 10 years and provides a pleasant meeting room with easy access and plenty of free parking.
- The informal part of the meeting runs from 7:00-7:30. The business side of things from 7:30-7:50. Cried auction and/or presentation to start at 7:55 until 8:30. Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions from 8:30 to 9:00. We must be out of the building by 9:10 without exception.
- The Membership of the CFSC participates as the host and sponsor of the SUN-PEX show in June of each year. In addition, are the resident hosting club for FLOREX, and many of the smaller local shows held in the Orlando area.
- The CFSC maintains a website: CentralFloridaStampClub.org
- Benefits of membership include, monthly newsletter, access to loaner equipment & catalogs, participation in door prize drawings & quizzes, the right to bid in cried/silent auctions — and much more.



CFSC Officers (2008/2010)	
President	Francis Ferguson
Vice President	A. Stephen Patrick
Treasurer	Jim Archbold
Secretary	Josh Furman
Director-at-Large	Larry Stiles
Director-at-Large	Tom Hart
Director-at-Large	Al Nagy

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What interests you?

Program Schedule (Jan/Feb/Mar)

January meetings —The first meeting of the year which lands on New Year’s Day, has been cancelled. The second meeting on 01/15 will be a brief annual business meeting and the ever popular Club Donation Auction.

February meetings — 02/05 TBA, 02/19 Orlando Post-cards by Steve P.

March meetings — 03/05 TBA, 03/19 Youth Night.

The Board meeting for 2009 are: Jan 29, April 30, July 30, & October 29. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

November/December Meeting recaps

The dinner group of 9 made for very talkative bunch. The cried auction was very active with nearly 95% of the 51 lots selling. Thank you to all the participated. Special thanks to our “crier” Steve P. and his assistant Jim A. Just short of \$385 traded hands that night.

The second meeting started with a congenial bunch of dinner partakers. The meeting numbers registered in the low 30s with a nice group of youth available. The presentation by Steve P. was UN-believable (sorry I could not resist) and the final quiz of the year was won by Tom K. A software glitch with the silent auction processing (21 lots sold for \$112) caused some last minute headaches that hopefully will not be repeated any time soon!

The first meeting of December was thinly attended because of the conflict with FLOREX. However those that attended did enjoy the mountain of stamps to dig in.

The second meeting of December was of course the Holiday party. Attended by about 45 people, it was a rousing success. Thanks to Jim Archbold and his lovely wife Karen for doing so much to make this a successful event.

FLOREX 2008

The show attendance numbers showed very little change from 2007 (+/- 1%). With the current state of the economy — this is about all we could have asked for. Everything went especially smoothly, with no major problems to report on any subject. Thank you to everyone that participated in some way with the show. Your time and efforts are appreciated!

Newsletter

The only way to sustain this newsletter format is if material is available to print. If you have a bent for writing, please send something along.....

Glue Awards

A big congratulations to the final six who placed highest in point totals. This club sponsored award is meant to recognize those that perform services for the betterment of the club. Listed in no particular order are; Jim Archbold, A. Steve Patrick, Phil Fettig, Al Nagy, William Bomar, Jr, and Randall Priest. When you see this individuals thank them — and congratulate them.

Annual Business Meeting January 2009

Please be present and accounted for at the club meeting of January 15th, 2009. We will recap 2008 with reports from the Club Officers and also hold a brief open forum discussion. This is the time to voice your constructive opinions on club matters. In addition to the fore mentioned, there will be balloting for the CFSC’s service award for 2008 — this award is purely from your input, **and of course a cried club donation auction. Pay our 2009 dues if you have not done so.**

FLOREX Exhibit Winners

Silver went to Phil F. & Francis F., Silver-Bronze to Josh F. and Bronzes to Josh F. and Jim A. Thank you to all that participated . Keep in mind that our available frames will be seriously reduced for 2009 due to a major society attending the show and taking a large number of them. If you have an interest in exhibiting at FLOREX 2009, do not delay your paperwork. We are expecting to be sold out by mid-summer.

Dinner Plans

Come join the group for dinner at Viet Garden at 6pm before each meeting. Bring your appetite – and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

Central Florida Stamp Show – Winter

The next local show will be held the weekend of January 24-25 at the BSC. The show is configured for 18 booths, with a couple of dealers taking more than one location.

Cover Story

This is pretty easy — What makes your heart race? Things that you collect that make you what you are

— a collector. Anyone want to volunteer with a picture and brief description for the cover? In my case, I have always been interested in position pieces from imperforate stamps. What makes you go “ah!”

Event Calendar 2009

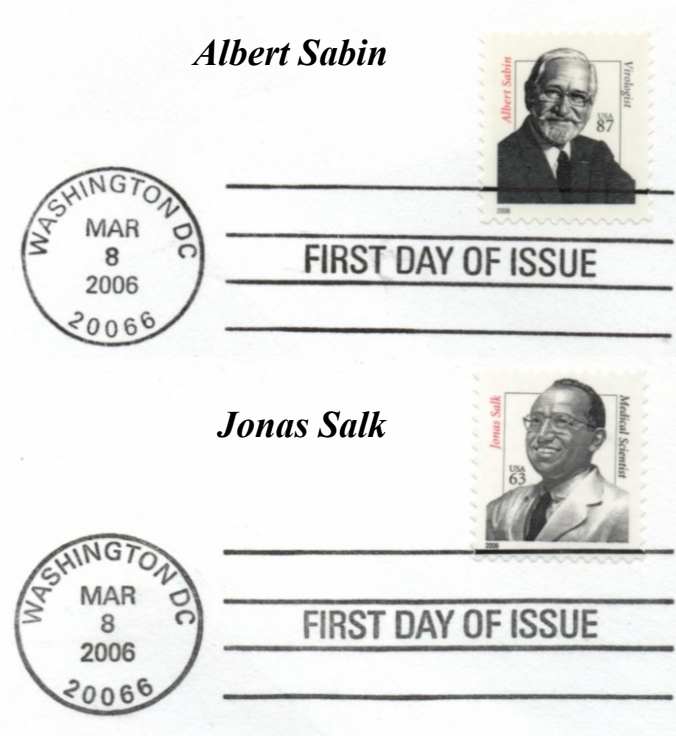
CFSS-Winter	Jan 24-25
Florida Precancel show	Feb 11-14
CFSS-Spring	April 11
Central Florida Fair	April 16-26
SUNPEX 2009	June 20-21
CFSS-Fall	Sept 26-27
FLOREX 2009	Dec 4, 5, & 6
For more info:	www.FloridaStampShows.com

USPS —How About Recognizing These Guys?

By Stuart B.

On 2006, U.S stamps were issued honoring Jonas Salk and Albert Sabin both of whom developed polio vaccines. However, none of this would have been possible without the ability to grow the polio virus in a test tube using tissue-culture methods.

This was developed by doctors, Thomas Weller, John Enders and Frederick Robbins. The three of them did receive the Nobel Prize for their work in 1954, but there has been no commemorative stamp. It has been said that Salk and Sabin ba-



sically stood on the shoulders of these three men.

Many of us remember the era of 1940's and 1950's when polio was much feared and poorly understood. Tens of thousands of new cases occurred yearly. The feared word was "infantile paralysis". Hospitals were filled with iron lungs and children were kept from public places in the Summer. What a wonderful thing that polio has practically been eliminated.

These three men, Weller, Enders and Robbins, did further research on other viral diseases and vaccines. All three of them have died; the last one, Dr. Weller, died in August 2008.

How about the club lobbying the United States Postal Service for a commemorative stamp or stamps honoring these three brilliant researchers?

Monthly Fun with Stamps Quizzes

- Feb “Dot ORG”

The Passing of Member #21 by Steve P.

Charlie Janosi, 92, long time member of the CFSC passed away December 5. His last residence was the Lutheran Towers adjunct for assisted living. I went to see him last summer and he was as friendly and open as ever. However, I think he had diminished capacity from Alzheimer's, and he may not have remembered me.

He talked about his wife Ethel who passed away in 1997, and he was sure he was about to become wealthy because of a long time interest in some bank. But I think his richest bank account were the number of friends he had. Charlie joined the CFSC in the 60’s and had a low membership number. The last time he visited the club, he had his album of French art stamps, complete and carefully displayed.

Charlie was a Mason, a chess player, and a member of the Winter Park Methodist Church. He is survived by a sister, Eve Klipfel. He was retired from Martin Marietta. Even though he didn’t seem to know who I was exactly, I had an enjoyable visit with him as a last remembrance.

Quotable

"For NASA, space is still a high priority."

The famous Vice President who spelled potato with an “E” --- Dan Quayle [1947 -]