**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.



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## **CFSC Officers (2008/2010)**

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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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# ALASKA YUKON PACIFIC EXPOSITION, SEATTLE 1909



What interests you?

#### I write this with mixed emotions.

Thankfully our President has recovered and is returning to the fold in good health. I hereby will be turning over the duties of the monthly news letter to a far more capable person than I. However I must say that I did have fun doing it.

One last problem, NO articles came forth and I am forced into writing one to fill the void.

I also would like to thank Bill Bomar for his great article which is published along with this monthly printing as an insert.

## **Chapter 1** The beginnings of Air Mail

In the beginning, according to Hollywood, they tied messages to rocks and threw them through windows. Then came Robin Hood who tied messages to arrows and sent them hurtling through the air into a tree were it was reshot until it got to the final destination. Later they used little birds with messages affixed to their little legs There also was balloon mail leading to the early Zeppelin Mail carried in 1910. With the advent of World War 1 the development of the airplane was accelerated and the world wound up with a large number of airplanes that were used for many purposes during the late teens and barnstorming era of the 20's and thirty's. It is because of these adventurous flyers that the development of Air Mail came to being.

Canadian airmail stamps can be divided into three periods. The pioneer airmails are the earliest group, consisting of seven major designs issued form 1918 to 1928. The first two stamps were issued August 1918 by **The** Aero Club of Canada to be used on flights between Toronto and Ottawa.

The first airmail stamp (CLP1) as shown was sold for 25¢ but the value was not on the stamp. The second stamp, (CLP2) released two days later had the 25¢ printed. The stamp design was copied from a poster stamp printed by the United Empire Loyalists during World War 1. CLP1 CLP2







The total printing of the CLP1 stamp was 200 of which 6 did not have the red flame. 167 stamps were used on covers. The six without the flame were not used on covers and this left 27 known unused stamps in existence. There were 2800 printed copies of CLP2 and they are primarily found unused and very few were flown on covers.

Looks like I am running out of space, so I will continue with Chapter 2 in the future.

## Wade Beery 1921 – 2009

By Steve Patrick

Good friend and long time club member Wade Beery passed away Sunday, July 12, from a fast acting cancer. He last attended the June 4<sup>th</sup> meeting before a diagnosis. Six club members attended his funeral service on July 16.

Wade held member # 113, as he joined the club soon after his move to Orlando in 1967. He served as club Secretary for a number of terms and was editor of the Florida Philatelist from 1982 to 1987. He was the first recipient of the club's Bomar Award in 1997. He was the one who suggested club shirts for the APS show in 1996 and proudly wore one of the three he owned to each club meeting.

Wade was a veteran of WW II and Korea (Bronze Star) and rose to the rank of Master Chief in the US Navy. He was a loyal member of the Fleet Reserve Association and American Legion Post #19. He was married 64 years to June, an Orlando girl, and had two children, three grandsons, and one great grandson.

He was a 50 year member of the American Philatelic Society. He also was active in the Scandinavian Collector's Society and the Czeslaw Slania Study Group.

Wade used to plan the club's holiday parties and urged everyone to bring their "fat pills." He would always add a mince pie. Wade received a silver award in the club's June Sunpex show for his exhibit "Stuff I Like." I was able to return Wade's exhibit at the funeral and praise his long term service to the club. The last page held one of his favorite "pretties" as he liked to call them, a cover addressed to his grandfather Henry Beery in Virginia in 1870 that he had discovered in a dealer's box 20 years ago. We will miss our friend Wade.

### **SUNPEX 2009 Awards Presented**

At the club meeting on July 2, Vice President Steve Patrick presented the trophies to the exhibit winners.

The Alvin Hintz trophy for British North America went to Al Nagy for "Semi-Official Canadian Air Post Stamps."

The third place trophy was won by Josh Furman for his three frame exhibit "The Israeli Navy."

The second place trophy was won by Francis Ferguson for If you have a writing itch you need to scratch, please his one framer "Prexy EFO's".

And the first place trophy went to Al Nagy for his four frames of "Semi-Official Canadian Air Post Stamps."

It was no surprise that Al Nagy also received "The People's Choice "trophy for his Canadian exhibit. He received the most first choice votes and the most total points.

The judges and the show attendees did a great job in picking the best exhibits as winners. They deserve our gratitude!

# **Program Schedule (August/September)**

August meetings — 08/06 A presentation will be given by Bill Bomar on The Alaska Yukon Pacific Exposition. The second meeting on 08/20 will be a Club 5\$ auction.

**September meetings** — 09/03 is Youth Night 2009. Part II. Second meeting will find A. Steve Patrick talking about "Constitution Day"

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

# **July Meeting Recap**

The first meeting of the month was well attended. Jim Pullin gave an interesting and informative presentation on "Trans Atlantic Mail".. He had a great display of this Packet Ship Mail which many of us had not seen. The auction sales were a little on the light side.

The second meeting was very well attended with some new faces in the group. Steve Patrick gave a great presen- Look for answer next month. tation of Bureau Printings and Engravings of mostly famous people in government. An interesting part was the

introduction of many engravings of "not so famous" vicepresidents. The auction was somewhat better than the first meeting.

#### **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.

#### Writers

do. Everyone is encouraged to write something stamp related. It could be a short piece on how you first became involved in collecting to a review of a stamp related book, or even a show you attended. You can think of something to write about!

#### **APS Shows 2009**

Aug. 6–9 APS Stamp Show, Pittsburgh, PA Attending will be: Jim, Josh, Steve and Al. Have a good trip and show and we will expect a report.

#### **FLOREX 2009**

Orlando Exhibition Grounds Dec 4-6 All 50 dealer spaces are sold out All exhibit frames are assigned.

#### **CFSC Event Calendar 2009**

CFSS-Fall Sept 26-27 FLOREX 2009 Dec 4, 5, & 6 For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

# **Monthly Fun with Stamps Quizzes**

 August Americana Top Five • September Matching High Four TME • October Hocus-Pocus VII November **Toppers** 

#### **Ouotable**

"A word to the wise ain't necessary - it's the stupid ones that need advice." Bill Cosby

#### **Riddle for the Month**

How many 3¢ stamps are there in a dozen?