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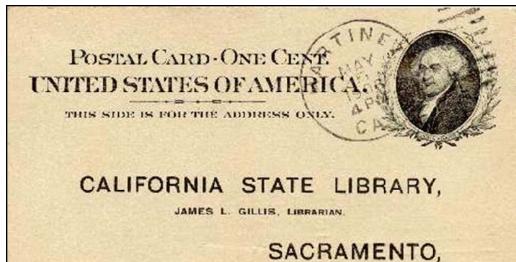


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Figure 4 **UX23** 

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## Program Schedule (Sept/Oct/Nov/Dec)

**September meetings** — The first meeting on 09/02 is the second Youth Night of the year, with Randall Priest as the ring master along with his cavalcade of stars. The second meeting on 09/16 has Francis Ferguson presenting "Presidential Gutters".

**October meetings** — The first meeting on 10/07 has Randall Priest talking about "Impressionistic Art on Stamps". The second meeting on 10/21 is currently set with Robert Fisher talking about Ruthenia.

**November meetings** — The first meeting of the month on 11/04 will feature a \$2 minimum Club Auction — bring your material to sell and your wallet to buy! The second meeting will have our very own judge talking about something he has not announced as of yet.

**December meetings** — The first meeting of the month on 12/02 will be a mound of stamps. The second meeting on 12/16 is the annual Holiday Party.

The final Board meetings for 2010 is September 30. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

#### **August Meeting recap**

The first meeting of the month started off with a small group of 7 for dinner — followed by a nicely active meeting with 25 in attendance. Thank you to all who helped to make the cried auction run smoothly. Thirty out of the 42 lots found a new home, for a total of \$339. A big THANK YOU to Mike Rogers for the donation of the box of literature which netted enough to cover a months worth of rent!

The second meeting of August started off with a small dinner gathering of 6 1/2 folks. The meeting was a different story with 36 folks signed in. Karl Zurn did a marvelous job of presenting those Battleship Revenue stamps. The silent auction was very active with 23 lots selling for a total of \$110. Thanks go out to David Allen, Jim Archbold, and our new Auction Master Phil Fettig. The quiz was won by Jim Kuhl with 23 out of 26 points.

#### **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.

#### **New Members**

We would like to welcome four new members to our club. Sebastian Steinhorst as a junior member. Kevin Shearer returns, after an extended stay out of state. Kevin collects U.S. MNH material & Pitcairn Islands. Kenny Lall joins us from Casselberry, and Newton Kulp from Deltona. Newton collects UN & U.S. material. Welcome one and all!

### **Monthly Quizzes**

- Sep Go Tilt
- Oct Hocus-Pocus VIII
- Nov 19Flowers80

#### **IMPORTANT: The Times are Changing**

Our lease for meeting space at the Marks Street Center is up for renewal as of October 1st. Due to changes in the cost factors our new meeting hours starting on October 1st will be from 6:30 until 8:30 on the first and third Thursdays of each month. The change in the hours of the meeting is the only way we can afford to continue to meet at the Marks Street Center. Should any member know of other meeting locations that meets our needs — please let one of the board members know immediately.

#### **Orange County Library Presentations**

During the month of July the CFSC was asked to make presentations on our hobby at three different branches. John Douglass who is the Special Events Coordinator for the Library System worked with Robert Dowrick to put together a 1 hour presentation for beginning collectors. "Thank you" to Robert Dowrick for spear heading this effort and Josh Furman, Phil Fettig, Randall Priest & Jim Archbold who helped to make the presentations possible. While the attendance numbers did not set any records — the effort did expose our wonderful hobby to folks who wanted information. We may be asked by Mr. Douglass to participate in another round of session later in the year.

## Challenge 2010

To win you must tell me exactly how I am connected to the stamp. I am looking for four pieces of information: (1) The persons names, (2) the specific stamp, (3) the town name, and (4) the name of the company. All four pieces of information must be correct to win. I would encourage anyone who wants to participate to do so in writing — not verbally. If for no other reason, so no one finds out what you know. The prize is a

# Phillip's Corner — FLOREX 1977: A Piece of History. by Phil Fettig

Well, it appears to be some type of "Welcome to FLOREX 77" handout. Folded it measures 4 \( \frac{1}{4} \) x 6 \( \frac{1}{2} \) inches. It opens to a size of 8 3/8 x 6 ½ inches. The outside has an illustration of a large block of Scott 927, the 1945 stamp issued for the Florida Statehood Centenary. The inside has a welcoming statement from the Tampa Postmaster and show cancellation. These facts are the easy ones to figure



Postmaster R. B. Hebble Welcomes To Tampa, Florida FLOREX '77 28TH Annual Convention Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs And The 54TH Annual Convention American Airmail Society



Now for the difficult ones.

At first appearance the cover shows a normal plate block with extra stamps attached for a total of sixteen. Now take a better look. Now it looks like a small sheetlet of sixteen with a plate number. It appears to me that a sheet was cropped during the copy process and, whether or not intentional, the result looked like a mini sheet years before the USPS started printing those in a routine manner.

Next question concerns the cancellation. Over the years my experience has been that most postal authorities attempted to enforce the first class postage rule when providing show cancellation services. The correct postage for first class in 1977 was thirteen cents, not three!

So here we are – I think it is a really neat little souvenir of FLOREX, maybe with a slight departure from regulation – but who cares!

nature will be done.

The connection is by birth and happenstance, but never the less the connection does exist

\$20 door prize. In the event of a tie, a run off of some **NEW Clue #8**, Only one – rather ugly copy is known to exist, intended for use on local newspapers.

#### **Ouotable**

"Don't be so humble - you are not that great." Golda Meir [1898-1978] to a visiting diplomat. **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.
- The meeting 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, we 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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