











The Cover Story



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Program Schedule (Mar/Apr/May)

March meetings — The first meeting on 03/03 will have Newt Kulp presenting "Buying Stamps on eBay". The second meeting on 03/17 will be the first Youth Night of 2011 — it is also Birthday Night!

April meetings — The first meeting on 04/07 will have Randall Priest presenting the topic "Joint Issues". The second meeting on 04/21 Phil Fettig will be talking about "A look at the Civil War Through Modern Covers"...

May meetings — The first meeting on 05/05 will have our world traveler Stephen Patrick talking about "America's Cup on Stamps" The second meeting on 05/19 will be a \$2 minimum cried auction.

The BoD meeting for 2011 are scheduled as follows; March 31, June 30 and September 30. Please mark your calendars.

February meeting recap

The pre-meeting dinner was well attended with 10 hungry folks — 27 signed in for the meeting. Steve Patrick was entertaining while educating folks on stamps of Russia. The first quiz of the year was won by David M. Allen. The silent auction sold 33 lots for a total of \$156.25

The second meeting night started with 11 for dinner and 30 signed in. Stephen Patrick was our auction caller again — as he knocked down 47 out of 52 lots for a total of \$612.25! Thank you to everyone that made this auction run smoothly — your efforts really do make a big difference in how the club functions.

Event Calendar 2011

Central Florida Fair Feb 24-March 6
CFSS-Spring One Day April 16
SUNPEX June 18-19
CFSS-Fall September 17-18
FLOREX 2011 Dec 2, 3 & 4
For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

Membership Dues for 2011

Thank you to everyone that paid their 2011 dues promptly. After purging the non-renewals we still have an active membership roster of 72. We do hope to have some of those non-renewals returning in the future. The goal for 2011 is to add 28 new members!

Dinner Plans

Come join the group for dinner at Viet Garden at 5:30pm before each meeting. Bring your appetite – and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

Club Roster 2011

The newest club roster will be available at the last meeting of March. If you can not attend that meeting and desire a roster, please contact the Editor and one will be mailed to you.

Monthly Quizzes

- Mar "Paper" Ladies
- Apr Matching High Five, 1922-25
- May Underwater Transportation
- Jun Batter Up
- Jul 5¢ Flags WWII
- Aug Butterfly
- Sep "Stoned Men"
- Oct Hocus-Pocus IX
- Nov Ducks for \$2

CFSS-Spring 2011

For the third time, a one day show will be hosted in the Oak Room of the Marks Street Senior Center. This show on April 16 (10am—3pm) will feature 6 dealers in our very familiar surroundings. Place the date on your calendar!

Challenge 2011

Clue #1, <u>The Pemberton Medicine Company</u> was incorporated with a new name in the year that the famous philatelic individual was born. A famous "Chap" was also born that year.

Clue #2, My home town was little comfort, but we had cookies and shoes.

NEW Clue #3, All together they were in 1963, on that special "Day"; Mable provided the substance, J. Edward spoke and James A. attended.

Michael Rogers Donation

The membership of the CFSC was fortunate to receive a large donation of stamp material for use in club activities. Also received was a second donation of philatelic literature was also received recently. A big thank you to MRI for his ongoing support of the club. Mike Rogers holds the second oldest active membership number with 118. Thank you for the generosity!

Central Florida Fair 2011 by Robert Dowrick

It's time for the Central Florida Fair and the Central Florida Stamp Club again has a table in the Exhibition Hall. It is an opportunity for us as stamp collectors to be available to the attendees of the fair to answer questions and possibly interest new collectors. One of the ways we try to stir that interest is to talk to young people about stamps and collecting. Remember those stamp packets that many of you helped put together – 25 individual stamps, either US or World Wide (some broken down into countries)? Well, we are giving out those packets to interested youth. Foreign countries have been of big interest this year. It's a boon to see youngsters pouring over the packets looking for stamps from a specific country. This year's favorites seem to be the Caribbean and Australia. Also, Bugs Bunny and Disney stamps keep catching their eye.



The location of the booth this year, while on the main aisle, is away from one of the main entrance



doors. Therefore, we have not had the stream of fair visitors passing by the booth like last year. However, the weather is much better. If you remember last year, you know that it was bitter cold and rainy on some days. While that cut down the number of people who visited the fair, it helped keep those that attended in the building to stay warm.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the volunteers who have given up several hours of their time to represent the stamp club. This means sitting on

very uncomfortable chairs and long stretches of boredom. However, as one volunteer put it, this gives him an opportunity to learn more about the other volunteer, both as a person and as a stamp collector. The Central Florida Fair pays the stamp club to have a booth so this is fundraiser for us. If you come by the booth, you'll notice a large display board. Al Nagy loaned this to the club for our use. But none of this would be possible without the volunteers. As we want at least two people per shift, this is a lot of people. Thank you to Jim Archbold and Ann Dowrick for setting up the booth (along with myself), and they are scheduled for the breakdown. And thank you to all of the other volunteers: Josh Furman, Newt Kulp, David Allen, Bill Bomar, Mel Borofsky, Bob Fisher, Randall Priest, Sarah Priest, Francis Ferguson, Don DeGraw, Fran DeGraw, Phil Fettig, Larry Stiles, Roy Anderson, Richard Blanchard, Jean Lee, Celeste Northrup, Stu Bernstein, and Jim Edmunds. Without your assistance, we would not be able to have the booth.

The CFSC Service Award 2011

This annual award was bestowed on Ann Dowrick during the first meeting of February, for her extensive work in 2010 to benefit the club. Please congratulate her!

This award is meant to acknowledge those that make things happen and consistently perform above and beyond being just a member of the club.

Quotable

"You can avoid reality, but you cannot avoid the consequences of avoiding reality."

Author of "Atlas Shrugged", Ayn Rand [1905-1982]

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 \$18 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 6:30-7:00. The business side of things from 7:00-7:20. Cried auction and/or presentation to start at 7:25 until 8:00. Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions from 8:00 to 8:25. We must be out of the building by 8:30 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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