







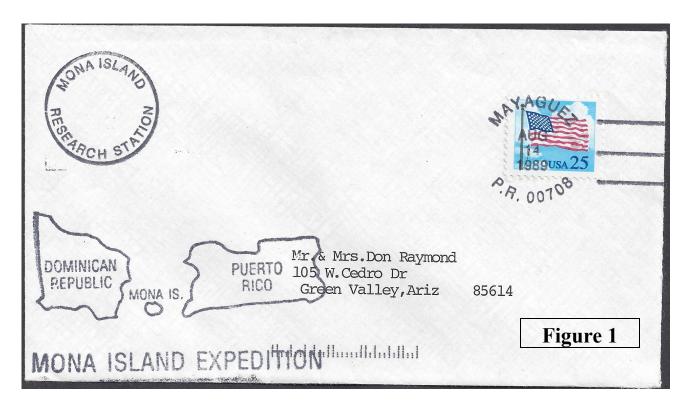






The Cover Story

A simple cover.....



The story that can be told by what appears to be a simple cover can be more interesting than one thinks. How many covers do you have in your accumulations that can tell a story?

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Program Schedule (Jan/Feb/Mar)

January meetings — The first meeting on 01/03 will be the Annual Club Cried Auction. Bring your material — limit 3 per person — and your wallet. This a no fee auction. The second meeting of the month on 01/17 will be the official Annual Membership meeting. Since this is a non-voting year, there will be a short program of some nature by the team of Fettig/Dowrick.

February meetings — The first meeting on 02/07 will have Jim Pullin presenting on "Pioneer Steamers". The second meeting on 02/21 will be graced with Josh Furman talking about "U.S. Pre-Cancels".

March meetings — The first meeting on 03/07 will have David Zambon presenting on "Machin Security". The second gathering of the month on 03/21 is scheduled with A. Stephen Patrick talking about "Cinderellas".

Board meetings for 2013; January 31, May 30, August 29 and October 31.

November Meeting Recaps

The first meeting of the month started off with a record setting 17 folks for dinner — and 37 signed in for the meeting. Wow! The representatives from the GPS Chapter #23 get a great job of telling us about the collecting interests that binds them as a club. The silent auction sold 13 lots for a total of \$131.50. Ann Dowrick won the last quiz of 2012 with almost a perfect score — she missed one question.

The second meeting of November started with an even dozen for dinner — and 35 signed in for the meeting. Jerry Eller did a informative piece on Canal Zone Postal Stationery. The silent auction sold 8 lots for a total of \$36. (Feeble this was!)

The first meeting of December began with 11 for dinner and 36 signed in for the meeting. After an information session, the mound of stamps was dug into. The silent auction sold 22 lots for a total of \$160.75.

For details of the second meeting in December see the information under "Holiday Party 2012" and "Glue 2012 Results".

Dinner Plans

Come join the group for dinner at Viet Garden at 5:00pm before each meeting. Bring your appetite – and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

New Members X4

We have been joined by four new members: (1) Ed Evan who calls Seminole home and collects Canal Zone, Sweden, U.S. 4c Commems & Slovakia; (2) Jim Tinkoff from Maitland who collects U. S. Plate Blocks 700-1200, U.N. & Monaco; (3) Mathew George from Ocoee who collects Travancore, Cochin & British India; (4) David Gold of Goldrod who collects U.S. Welcome to the Central Florida Stamp Club!

Your Dues for 2013 are Due

If you have not already paid your dues for 2013, please do some immediately. If your dues are not current by the beginning of the second meeting in January your membership privileges will be suspended.

Holiday Party 2012

The holiday gathering was very nicely attended by just short of 40 folks. It was nice to see so many of the Thursday night stamp widows in tow. Thank you to one and all that either brought a yummy dish and/ or helped to serve/clean up. The big winner of the night was Roy Anderson who took home the desk Ott light. Additional thanks to the fine folks at A&R Stamp who donated a mystery box that fetched a \$80 price tag during a quick cried auction. All in all it was a nice night — see you in 2013.

FLOREX 2012

Thank you to all that made the show a success. We received numerous comments about the dedication and good cheer of club members. The show attendance numbers fell ever so slightly from 2011, but folks seemed to be spending money on treasures. Randall & Sarah Priest received the Chairman's Service Award for their dedication to the Youth Program. David Zambon was recognized with the "Bright Light Award" for showing dedication in helping in any and all aspects of the show and club activities.

Event Calendar 2013

CFSC-Winter 2013 January 26
CFSC-Spring 2013 April 13
SUNPEX 2013 June 15-16
FSDA-Fall 2013 September 21-22
FLOREX 2013 December 6, 7 & 8

For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

No More Gifts Like This Anymore by Phil Fettig

During World War I many programs were in place to send tobacco products to servicemen in Europe. In the U.S. one of the largest was promoted by McClure's Magazine, a leading publication from 1893 to the late 1920's. They ran colorful illustrated ads like "Help her fill a pipe for Sammy", showing a nurse helping a wounded soldier in a wheelchair. Figure (1) shows the front of a small postcard (4 ½ X 3") that one program provided. The person making the donation filled

in their address and the card was turned in with the donation. Later on, when the to-bacco product arrived in Europe, the recipient would write a note of appreciation and return the card. The front gives us our philatelic gift with a nice flag cancel and an American Expeditionary Force Censor marking. Figure (2) shows the transcribed reverse with a heartfelt Near Year's Day

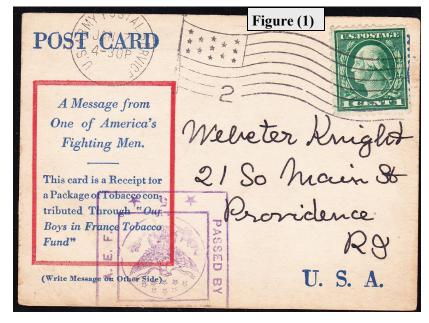
Coast Artillery Amer. Exp. Force 1918. France Jan. 1.

Figure (2)

Dear Friend Webster,

Your most welcome gift received. I want you to accept my best thanks for your kindness to one who you have never seen. It makes me very happy to know the folks back in the States have not forgotten us even though we are far across the sea. With my best regards for a very Happy New Year, I wish to remain your Friend.

William I. Hickey, M Battery, 6th Reg



note of appreciation from an American serviceman in France.

[Editor note: The reverse is too faded to reproduce with any accuracy — thus the transcription was used.] Of course, this could also fit in a topical collection dealing with tobacco or health. Today's military life is becoming tobacco free" with fewer places to smoke and sales being restricted.

This is an interesting item anyway you want to look at it!

Glue 2012 Results

The fifth annual Glue Awards started with the announcement of the folks who just missed the cut for the top five. For their exceptional work and devotion to assist the club, A. Stephen Patrick, Jim Archbold, David Zambon, and the Priest Duo received a \$10 door prize. Thank you folks for doing all you have done (and will do!).

The top five winners selected their favorite color [orange, yellow, green, brown, white & red] which determined which envelope they received. The one "ringer" was ignored as the green apple was left on the table. Phillip Fettig received the \$50 gift card, Newton Kulp the Linn's subscription or renewal, Ann Dowrick the APS membership or renewal, Robert Dowrick and Robert Fisher each received the \$20 Door Prize certificate.

Everyone deserves a round of applause!

CFCS—Winter One Day Show

The one day show on Saturday January 26, 2013 to be held in the Oak Room (10am—3pm) at the Marks Street Senior Center will be the first local show of 2013. We are looking for members to fill spots at the greeting table. Six dealers are booked, including one from PA.

Monthly Quizzes

• February Folk Heroes

• March Louisiana Purchase Matching The quizzes in 2013 normally to be given at the second meeting of the month unless a conflict occurs..

Quotable

".... But there is a fragment of evil in a saint, and a spark of good in a devil. No one is completely good or evil, no one completely balanced."

Joseph Schwartz, age ten. (Oddly Normal, Pub 2012)

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 12 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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