

The Philatelic Missive

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The Cover Story

FLOREX 2014 In Pictures



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Program Schedule (Jan/Feb/Mar)

January — No meeting on 01.01.15 as it is a Federal Holiday. The meeting on 01.15.15 will have a very short business meeting and the annual NO FEE cried auction.

February — The first meeting on 02.05.15 will have A. Stephen Patrick presenting on “Civil War on Stamps”. The second meeting on 02.19.15 will have Larry Stiles talking on “Yangtze River Patrol — Part I”.

March — The first meeting on 03.05.15 will be the always popular and entertaining “Club Member’s Show and Tell”. The second meeting on 03.19.15 we will have a special presentation by Tom Lera entitled “Using the scientific equipment at the Smithsonian National Postal Museum”. You will not want to miss this!

BoD meetings for 2015; 04.30, 07.30, 10.29

November/December Meeting Recaps

The first meeting of November started with 11 folks for dinner and 37 signed in for the meeting. ASP did a great job of presenting on the UPU. The auction sold 16 lots for \$194.25. The second meeting of the month started with 8 for dinner and 39 signed in for the meeting. Newton Kulp gave us a brief overview of the new library material and the APS video was educational. The auction sold 18 lots for \$183.50.

The first meeting of December conflicted with the setup for FLOREX. The night started out with only 2 for dinner and 21 signed in for the meeting. The mound of stamps was enjoyed by one and all. The silent auction sold 7 lots for a total of \$69.75. The second meeting was of course the Holiday Party — we had around 55 people present — this could be a record attendance for the Holiday Party. Thank you to everyone who made the event a success. The Mystery Box supplied by Phil Fettig of A&R Stamps was knocked down after a spirited (mostly two person) bidding war for \$115.00. Thank you Phil!

Dinner Plans

Come join the group for dinner at Viet Garden at 5:00pm before each meeting. Located on the NW corner of Shine Ave & 50 at 1237 E. Colonial Dr. There is plenty of parking on the north side, behind the restaurant. Bring your appetite — and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

Event Calendar 2015

CFSC-Winter 2015

January 24, 2015

CFSC-Spring 2015

April 11, 2015

SUNPEX 2015

June 6-7, 2015

For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

New Members X2

Haruyo Baker and her husband George Tonkin have joined us — as another dealer from The Villages. Welcome and we hope to see a lot more of you in 2015.

Two Things for Early 2015!

Remember to pay your dues by 01.15.15 to remain a member in good standing. There is no meeting on 01.01.15 because it is New Years Day.

Balloting at the January Annual Meeting

For those in attendance at the meeting of 01.15.15 — ballots will be handed out for the annual CFSC Service Award and a new award that recognizes the individuals that have given the best presentations in 2014. We will award \$50 for first place and \$25 for second place. Come on out and vote!

FLOREX 2014 Recap

For the fifth year in a row the attendance numbers for the three day show remained stable. The weather cooperated outside — inside was a gamble depending on where one was when the A/C kicked on. Thanks are extended to one and all that made the show a grand success and a great public display of our club. Congratulations go to Robert Fisher who received the FLOREX 2014 Chairman’s Service Award for his long service as Exhibit Chair. Mel Borofsky received the FLOREX 2014 Accomplishment Award for his on-going contributions to the show and the club.

January 24th One Day Show

The show opens at 10am and runs until 3pm with 7 dealers. Come on out and be part of the fun. These little one days shows have done very well! The sign up sheet for the greeting table will only make one appearance — at the second meeting of January. For those that want lunch there will be an opportunity to have take out from Jason’s Deli — so bring your wallet and place your order by 10:30.

Quotable

“History will be kind to me for I intend to write it.”

Statesman, author, and highly quotable — Winston S. Churchill [1874-1965]



President's Message

Welcome all to a brand new year. I hope this year is both prosperous and healthful for everyone.

I hope you attended the FLOREX show in December. It was quite a show. Our



new year finds us not having a meeting the 1st Thursday in January since it falls on New Year's Day. Our meeting on the 15th will be a real busy one as we will have a short business meeting, a ballot to honor the best presentations of 2014 and our cried auction with no club withholding. Be sure to bring lots of goodies for the auction. BTW, we will be meeting in the Ballroom on the 15th instead of the Oak room. The Ballroom is just across the courtyard. Also in January, we have a one-day show in the Oak room on January 24th from 10-3. It is always a great little show.



The **Florida Postal History Society** is always looking for new blood. Do you have an interest in Florida postal history? Look at the website www.FPHSonline.com for a wealth of information including all of the journals going back to the inception in July of 1993. The FPHS puts out a dynamic full color Journal three times a year that is a labor of love by Deane Briggs and Everett Parker. Dues are a reasonable \$15 for web access of the Journal or \$25 for a mailed hard copy. If you are a member — pay your dues for 2015!

Serendipity — Part IV by the Editor

The adventure of perusing the offerings of dollar covers can be an interesting time — and an easy way to have hours pass without realization of the passage of time. This cover postmarked March 21, 1908, caught my attention at a recent show because of the town name of Maryland — that happens to be located in state of New York.

Depending on the route used the distance between Maryland, NY and West Hoboken NJ is 35 to 44 miles. **Maryland** is in Otsego County, New York with population of 1,897 according to the 2010 census. It was named for the U.S. state of the same name. The town was first settled around 1790.

The note as it appears on the back side reads:

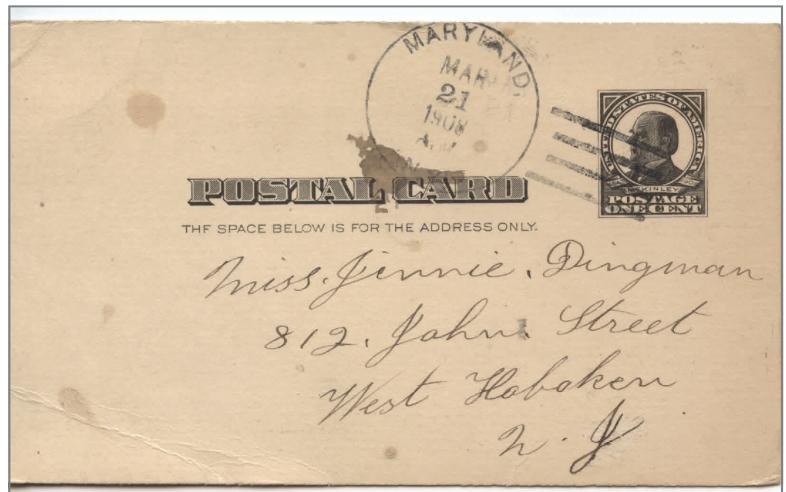
Maryland, NY March 20th

Dear Sister Jennie

(Aunt) Rosa is some better to day and we don't think it is nessesar(y)(sic) for you to come unless you want to and we will let you noye(sic) in a day ore(sic) two how she is getting along.

The weather is quite cold and wintery out here.

Jennie, the rest of us are about as usual and I hope you are all well down there well I gess(sic) I shall have to stop now to get this in the mal(sic).



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 15+ years and provides a pleasant meeting room with easy access and plenty of free parking.
- The informal part of the meeting runs from 6:00-6:45. The business side of things from 6:45-7:10. Cried auction and/or presentation to start at 7:15 until 7:50. Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions until 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 SUNPEX 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, the right to bid in cried/silent auctions — and much more.

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