New Member Profile: Scot Cornwall

I moved to Florida just over 11 years ago from Boston, Mass. I have collected stamps since I was about 7. Like many of us, I suspended my collection when I left college in 1968 until about 1976.

I was encouraged by Arlene Van Dahl, publisher of *Western Stamp Collector*, to specialize in a country or two which issued few stamps. I chose Greenland & Ireland. I also collected US & whatever worldwide I could get my hands on. I went to Thailand for a semester in college (1966-67) and collected what I could in post offices as we traveled around the area--Japan, Ryukyu Is., Taiwan, Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore, Hong Kong, Laos & Thailand. I have also traveled in Egypt & Italy getting a good number of contemporary issues in those countries.

I have mostly Minkus albums, some Scott as well as a few others. I joined the Golden Triangle Stamp Club shortly after moving to Tavares. I have been President of that club for about eight years. Last month I joined the Orlando club.

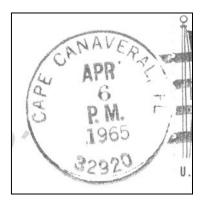


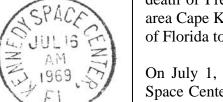
Poor Man's Florida Postal History by Phil Fettig

Collecting space related covers is very popular and brings "Cape Canaveral" to mind. The name Cape Canaveral appeared on Spanish maps in the 1500s. The 1st



post office was in Artesia, FL in 1893-1954. A few years after the first missile test in 1950, a post office was opened in 1954 in the area of Port Canaveral. The cancellations (**Figure to left**) from this location are among the earliest Florida space covers. The Port area was mainly commercial in nature so a new post office was opened in the town of Cape Canaveral, FL in 1963. This cancellation (**Figure to right**) is still in use today, although is no longer the most popular. After the 1963





death of President Kennedy the Federal government renamed the geographical land area Cape Kennedy as well as creating the Kennedy Space Center. (In 1973, the State of Florida took action to return the original name of Cape Canaveral.)

On July 1, 1965 a sub-station of the Orlando Post Office was opened at Kennedy Space Center. Initially this was only for the use of KSC employees and contractors. This cancel (**Figure to left**) is now available to the public and has been used for years. Patrick Air Force Base cancellations have been popular during this entire period. Since it is located to the south and thus, not on the cape, I have not included a sample

illustration. These covers, collectible as a space topic, can also be considered as part of my "Poor man's Florida Postal History".

USPCS Meeting at FLOREX 2016

During FLOREX in December there will be a meeting of the United States Philatelic Classics Society. This is an open meeting and all interested individuals are invited.

We will be meeting on Friday December 2 at 1:00 PM.

There will be a program presented on a topic to be determined but of interest to those interested in classic U.S. philately. Individuals new to the society and members will be able to learn the many positive aspects and additions to the services offered by the society.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend our meeting and review the society and how you may benefit from being a member. Any questions about the USPCS contact the individual below. Additional information can be found on the web at www.uspcs.org

Submitted by James Pullin, Regional Vice President

[Editor's note: This was one of the first society groups that I joined when I returned to the hobby in 1998. The society publishes *The Chronicle of the U.S. Classic Postal Issues*, a full color, over one-hundred page quarterly journal. This publication is outstanding in all regards. I encourage anyone who has an interest in classic U.S. material to become a member.]

New Member Profile: Michael Dey



I recently became involved with stamp collecting when I inherited my mother's collection. She had been a letter carrier in the late 1960s through the 1980s and was very interested in her stamps. I remember some of her favorites in frames displayed as art in her home. My sisters wanted me to find "good homes" for some of her collection and that is how I began my search resulting in coming to and joining the Central Florida Stamp Club. I have enjoyed the presentations and the passion that members have about their collections. I look forward to learning more at future meetings.

Welcome Michael! We expect to see a lot more of you over the coming years.