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The Cover Story

What Cover Is In Your Collection? Part 2

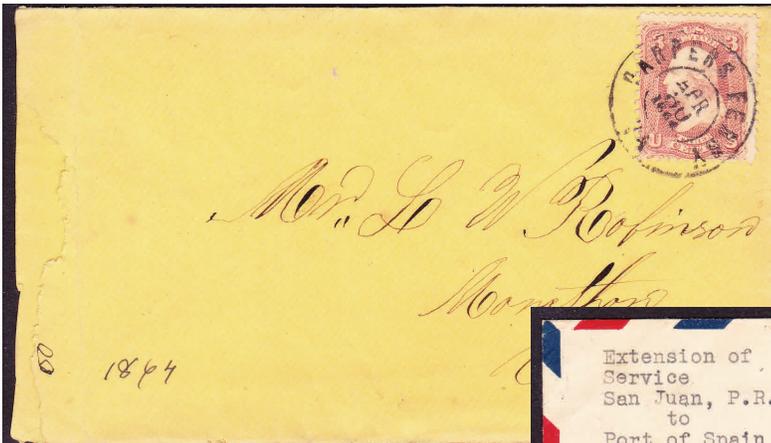


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Program Schedule (Apr/May/June)

April — The first meeting on 04.05 will have Gary Byrd presenting on “Tunisia”. The second meeting on 04.19 will have Mike Schumacher talking about the “Icelandic Horse”

May — The first meeting on 05.03 will have Francis Ferguson presenting on “Something U.S.” The second meeting on 05.17 is currently unscheduled for a presentation.

June — The first meeting on 06.07 will be a cried auction with a \$5 minimum. The second meeting on 06.21 will have Tom Lera discussing “Confederate Railroads.”

BoD meetings for 2018; 08.30 & 10.25(?)

March Meetings Recap

The first meeting of the month began with 13 for dinner and a nice crowd of 41 signed in for the meeting. Josh Furman presented on the “Elements of Postal Stationery.” The After Glow session, by Josh Furman went into interesting detail on the actual production process used to make paper. The auction sold 19 lots for a total of \$153.75.

The second meeting night started with 15 for dinner and 45 signed in for the cried auction night. Haruyo Baker won the 1st quarter birthday drawing. The cried auction (A. Stephen Patrick) sold 32 of 60 lots for a total of \$1,031. Thank you to Gene Perry, Robert Fisher, Team David and Jim Archbold for making the auction appear effortless.

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. The record attendance for dinner is 17 — if we can break that number someone will get a free dinner. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

Writers?

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Event Calendar 2018

CFSC-Spring One Day	April 7
SUNPEX 2018	June 9-10
FSDA Fall Show	September 15-16
FLOREX 2018	Nov. 30, Dec 1 & 2

For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

After Glow

The first meeting will have Francis Ferguson, doing something related to U.S. material. The second meeting of April will continue the members bourse — bring your material to sell — and maybe someone will have something of interest for you. After Glow sessions start at 8:20 and must be completed and wrapped by 8:50 without exception.

Membership Directory Available

The printed copies of the 2018 CFSC Membership Directory are now available. If you desire to have one mailed to you, please contact the Editor.

Picnic April 14th

Come one — come all. Be there or be missed. The fifth annual Spring Picnic will be held on April 14th. Hot dogs and hamburgers and veggie burgers will be provided by the club. Bring a dish to share. It has always been a nice time — come and find out! Gene Perry is the coordinator for this event, please contact him at 407.310.5881 or Francis Ferguson at 407.493.0956 for more information. Let us shot for a big turnout!

April 7th One Day Show

The second one day show of the year takes place on April 7th in the Oak Room of the Marks Street Senior Center. The hours of the show are from 10-3. There will be a nice selection of 8 dealers to provide for your philatelic needs — and even a supply provider will be there! The sign-up sheet for the greeting table is available for your signature.

Writers Are Always Needed!

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Quoted

“Keep your eyes on the stars and keep your feet on the ground.”

Theodore Roosevelt
[1858—1919],
POTUS #26



President's Message by Francis Ferguson

The story of my life for nearly 5 years.

Most of you have no idea that I have been working on a huge rewrite of the Florida Postal History Societies' seminal reference piece of 1999 the *Florida Stampless Postal History 1763-1861*. Myself along with Thomas Lera and Deane R. Briggs have been working collaboratively — for many long months. The rewrite has engulfed my life for so long, I am not sure what I will do with my “free” time — once it is finally done.

My function has been one of editor, designer, proof reader, typist and often times mind-reader. The massive amount of plain text and table data, along with all new color images of covers made this a mind boggling management effort to keep the integrity of the data golden. For reference — the final file size of the book is approaching very close to 1Gb of data. While this project started using the base Word files from the middle 1990s everything has been moved into more modern software that is much more flexible and allows for the presentation of data in ways not easily possible when the book was published in 1999. The current versions of the Microsoft Suite of software products along with InDesign have been used to produce this effort in 2018. The idea has always been to protect the data for the next generation to revise this material — some time well into the future. We are now at the 98% finished stage and expect to have everything done and at the printer by the first of May. To say this will be a load off my mind (and plate) would be a tremendous understatement. (I want to return to being a collector again!)



While I have been juggling the demands of this project for almost 5 years, other things have had to slide at times. I will look forward to once again being able to complete this newsletter a week before the deadline unlike the last 6-8 months where it has been up to the final minutes many times — so to have the material to the printer in time for the first meeting of the month. It has been a stressful to meet all the deadlines on time.

The membership will be made aware of pre-order possibilities as soon as possible. The pre-order price will be significantly lower than the available price on publication. Please consider adding this incredible reference book to your library when it is available for purchase. I know — I will!

Serendipity — XL by The Editor

This rather ratty cover was found at the SNSE this past February. What attracted me to it initially was the use of the C25 stamp with clear A.P.O. strike. The artwork was an added bonus that pushed me to fork over the \$15 to be the new owner. While the artwork is nothing exceptional — it is still remarkable for the thought it conveys. It appears that the pen used for both the sender/receiver information and the artwork is the same. Obviously some thought went into the production of the little piece of art. The artwork was added after the censor stamp. The wonders of the Internet provided this basic information. Robert Gori was one of three sons and one daughter born to Carmelo (born Italy 1894-1973) and Emma (born Italy 1891, no passing date found). The 1940 U.S. Census provided the information for sons Robert (B 1925), Alpine (B 1919) Albert (B 1921 and Daughter Vera (B 1927). Sgt. Robert Gori was 21 years old serving in Indonesia (Papua/NG) when this cover was sent July of 1946 to his sister Vera. No further information could be found in a quick search.



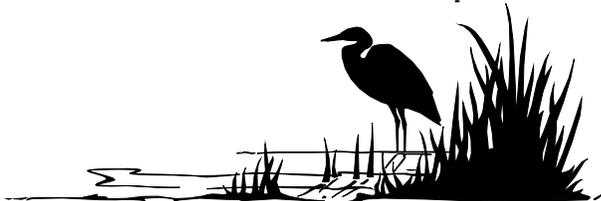
It can be assumed that all three brothers in some form or fashion served the war effort.

So much information can be found, however so many questions remain — all from a simple cover! Happy hunting.

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 \$25 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 nearly 20 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 8:10 Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions. We must be out of the building by 9:00 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, a monthly bourse buy/sell newsletter, access to loaner equipment & catalogs, participation in door prize drawings, the right to bid in cried/silent auctions — and much more.

Central Florida Stamp Club



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