

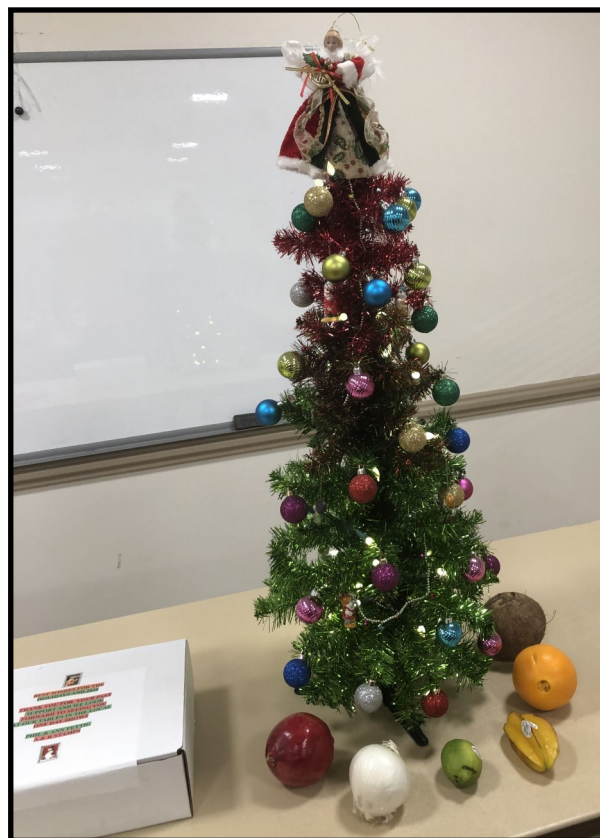


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The Cover Story

Holiday Gathering 2019



Program Schedule (Jan/Feb/Mar)

January — The first meeting on 01.02 will be the annual donation auction to benefit the treasury of the CFSC. Dig into your closet and find something you no longer want to keep and donate it for the auction. This event is an important way that club finances itself. There is a \$5 minimum on an item. The second meeting on 01.16 is the annual membership meeting for the election of a new slate of officers. Your attendance is requested as the outcome of this vote will determine the direction of the club into the immediate future. There will be a silent auction.

February — The first meeting on 02.06 will have A. Stephen Patrick presenting on “B.E.P. History of Engravings” while the second meeting will have the always informative Tom Lera presenting on “Mosquitos and the Civil War”.

March — The first meeting on 03.05 will be a called auction with a \$5 minimum. The second meeting on 03.19 will have Richard Cohen talking about “Registered Mail of the World”.

BoD meeting for 2020; 01.30, 04.30, 07.30, 10.29.

December Meeting Recaps

The first meeting of the month was a sultry affair with very un-winter temperatures. Dinner attracted an even dozen for food and fellowship. The meeting signed in 40 for the presentation on “Pearl Harbor” by longtime club member Larry Stiles assisted by Robert Fisher. The silent auction reported 16 lots sold for a total of \$261.

The second meeting was of course the Holiday Gathering, which has been reported in detail on Insert A. Thank you to everyone who made the event a success. We had a total of 59 family and friends signed in. The auction of the mystery box and the previously auctioned FLOREX gift certificate netted the CFSC coffers \$93. Thank you A&R Stamps for the donation.

Dinner Plans — In Flux!

Call Francis at 407.493.0956 for real-time information if you want food. We are currently meeting at **Little Saigon**, which is located on the southwest corner of Mills (17/92) and 50. There is plenty of parking in the back and you can use the back entrance to the restaurant. Bring your wallet and come hungry!

Event Calendar 2020

CFSC-Winter One Day	February 1
CFSC-Spring One Day	April 4
CFSC-Summer One Day	June 13
FSDA Fall One Day Show	September 12
FLOREX 2020	December 4-5-6

For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

New Member X 3

Derek Hill from Orlando collects Canada, England and the United States. In addition **Chuck Pierce** from Sorrento who collects stamps prior to 1950 and **Michael H. Smith** from Winter Garden who collects U.S. singles have joined us in December. This will bring our roster number to 110. There is a good chance we will remain above the number 100 on our roster as we remove those that drop for non-payment or resign.

After Glow — December

A scheduling conflict has resulted in no AfterGlow session for January. The schedule will resume in February.

As 2020 Approaches.....

Elections for 2020 are moving forward with Josh Furman supervising. We currently have twelve nominations for the BoD. There are nine seats on the Board to be filled. The biographic sketches of those running appear on Insert D of this newsletter. This is a transitional year as a number of longtime serving members have retired from service.

Shirts are Available

We have lovely shirts for our membership to wear. They come with a pocket and cost \$20.

Writers Needed for *The Philatelic Missive*

As the year 2020 begins the bit bucket of potential articles is powder dry. Empty. As the newsletter enters the 15th year of production, it is a source of great pride that the content has been as diverse and interesting as it has been. Virtually all of the content over the years has been provided by our well rounded membership. Do not make the Editor struggle to find content to publish each month. I do applaud and thank those — who over the years have provided content on almost a monthly basis. We need more folks to step up and write articles. Enough said.

Quoted

“Don’t judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds you plant.”

Robert Louis Stevenson
[1850-1894]

Scottish Writer



President's Message by Francis Ferguson

The Farewell — but not Goodbye

That is one loaded word. Yes, I am stepping back from hands-on operational control of the CFSC. After serving nearly 18 years on the BoD and almost a full 10 years of the last 14 as president -- it is time to become a less involved member -- who is a stamp collector.

I do this with a mixture of conflicting feelings – and with the hope that the future of the club will remain on a positive trajectory. So much of what has been accomplished in the last 15 years has been because of the dedication of a small group of ‘doers’. Those folks are the core reason why the CFSC has thrived. I thank all those folks that provided of their time and efforts in service of a greater good. While I could enumerate a long list of names -- to thank – I will keep it simple and just say to one and all – thank you!

Change is sometimes worrisome and difficult to digest, however as time marches on, change is simply required in any organization. I am still going to be around on the sidelines -- to aid when asked.

I have made a commitment to serve as the Editor of the Philatelic Missive at least through the end of 2020 and function as the show manager of the one day shows through June of 2022. I am reasonably sure that I will get involved in other ‘things’ as needs arise. I am going to try being the caller of the live auctions – starting with the January 2020 club donation auction – a new experience for me!

I would like to thank the membership for placing trust in me as president to guide the club over the years. I am truly humbled by that trust and most importantly by the willingness to embrace change. Everything I have done over the years has been to benefit the CFSC and support the mission of spreading philately to the unaware. It has been an honor and privilege to serve such a fine group.

The CFSC has gone through a number of ‘epochs’ over the nearly eighty years of existence – and I suspect there will be another leadership era being defined in the coming years as new blood comes forward. From the standpoint of wisdom of experience, I charge the leadership of the future with the continuation of a positive and productive atmosphere. Adverse treads need to be tamped down, while encouraging what is good. People come and people go, but the overall principals should always remain the same.

As a final thought, I would like to voice the thought that this club is one of a group of stamp collectors – the topics of politics and religion simply have no place here as they only cause divisiveness and discord. Discuss those topics somewhere else. Kindness and generosity of spirit are the guiding principles of this club. To quote a famous line from the Star Trek series, uttered repeated times by Jean-Luc Picard – “Make it so.”

This column is the final of a four-part series that ends with this issue of the Philatelic Missive for January of 2020, with the completion of my tenure as president of the CFSC. The next President's column will be penned by my successor.

Membership Notice

As of the date of 12.31.20 we are currently looking for the following members to send in their renewal for 2020. Members must be in good standing to participate fully in club functions.

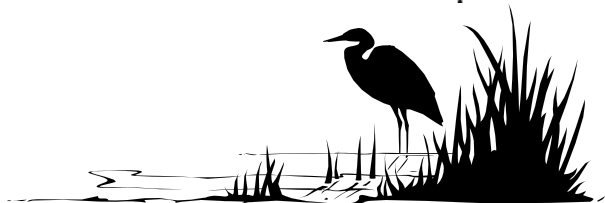
Roy Anderson, Deane Briggs, Stan Brodersen, Ken Conners, Robert Connor, Phil Eschbach, Tom Hart, Elizabeth Horstman, Steven Jones, Jim Kuhl, John Latter, Jean Lee, Marcus Meyerotto, Don Orser, Rachel Pearl, Ruth Pearl, Eretta Morris, George Potee, Greg Priewe, Jean Schnieder and Anne Ziniewicz.

Those not renewing: Amie Archbold (resigned), Jim Jones (moving), Jason Wells (moving) and Susan Raike (resigned).

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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