The Philatelic Missive



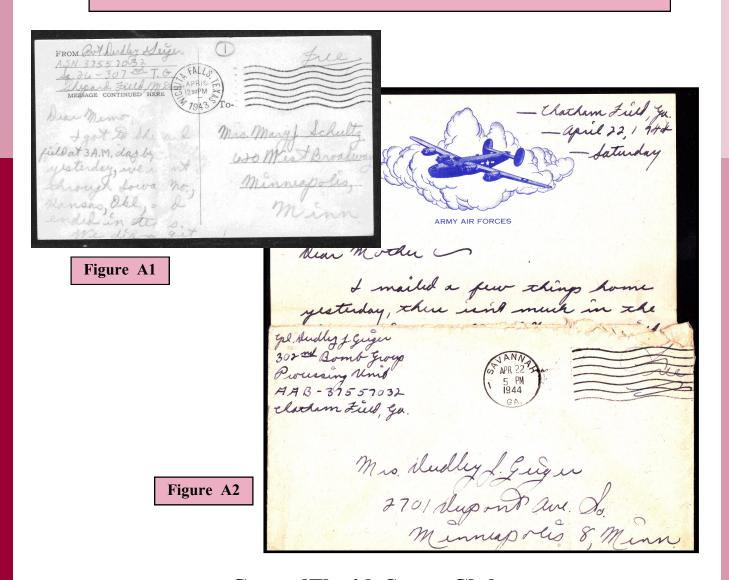
February 2020





The Cover Story

Mail Home from World War II, Part I



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Program Schedule (Feb/Mar/Apr)

February — The first meeting on $0\bar{2}.06$ will have A. Stephen Patrick presenting on "B.E.P. History of Engravings" while the second meeting on 02.20 will have the always entertaining & 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".

April — The first meeting on 04.02 will have "Scott's Alphabet" by Newt Kulp — this should be interesting! The second meeting on 04.16 will have Robert Fisher talking about "Displaced Persons Camps, Part II". This is the much anticipated continuation of the talk he gave in 2018 that was stunning.

BoD meeting for 2020; 04.30, 07.30 & 10.29.

Janaury Meeting Recaps

The first meeting of 2020 started off with 12 for dinner and a good size crowd of 45 signed in for the meeting in the frigid ballroom. It was colder inside than it was outside! The called auction had Francis Ferguson, calling the lots — for the first time. We sold a fabulous 49 of 52 lots for a total of \$732. David Allen, David Zambon, Robert Fisher, Newt Kulp and of course Jim Archbold are all extended a serious "thank you"!

The second meeting night found us in rather close quarters as the Annual Membership meeting began with 45 signed in. Dinner was a split affair with six showing up at Little Saigon and four trying out the Tasty Wok location. Balloting for the new BoD, the best presentation, the best article in the newsletter and finally the CFSC Service Award were completed. The silent auction sold 16 lots for a total of \$308.50.

Dinner Plans — In Flux (Again)!

Call Francis at 407.493.0956 for real-time information if you want food. The dinner group is trying out the previous location — that is under a new name and owner — Tasty Wok. There is plenty of parking in the back and you can use the back entrance to the restaurant. Bring your wallet and come hungry!

Shirts are Available

We have lovely shirts for our membership to wear. They come with a pocket and cost \$20. Please contact Stephen Patrick as he is now the holder of the box of shirts.

Event Calendar 2020

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 1

Lottie Cohen, from Orlando who collects Israel singles and singles with tabs has joined us. Welcome Lottie!

After Glow — February

The second part of the Two Cent Reds will be presented at the first meeting of the month. Francis Ferguson will try and make sense out of the Type A140 designs that confuse and confound often. The session starts at 8:15pm in the back of the room. The third (and final) part of the series will be given at the first meeting of March.

Membership Update

With regret as of 02.01.20 we have dropped the following three members from our active roster for non-payment of 2020 dues; Marcus Meyerotto, Eretta Morris & George Poteé, Jr. In addition we had five resignations; Deane R. Briggs, Amie Archbold, Jim Jones, Susan Raike & Jason Wells. We have managed to stay above the magic number of 100. An updated Membership Directory for 2020 will be available at the first meeting of March.

Picnic in the Park 2020

Mark your calendar for the annual CFSC Spring Picnic in the Park. The date of April 18 is expected to be a gorgeous day filled with fellowship, food and laughter. The club will provide the main course and we ask that you bring a pot-luck dish to share. The setup will start at 1:00am with an expected food availability at 2:00pm.

Winter 2020—One Day Show

The wet, drippy weather did not seem to put people off as we recorded a solid attendance number of exactly 100 for the five hour show. The nine booth holders in attendance all expressed worthwhile comments and want to come back. These little one day shows seem to have a life of there own. The net revenue from the event added about \$150 to our treasury.

Quoted

"It take less time to do things right then it does to explain why you did it wrong."

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow American poet & educator. [1807-1882]



President's Message by A. Stephen Patrick

The new Board of Directors and I thank you for the confidence your votes have place in us for the next two year. We will miss **Francis Ferguson** who has retired after 18 years on the BoD; serving the last four as president. We welcome three new members: **Jim Cooney**, **Gene Perry** and **Rick Cohen**. Jim is our new program chairman. Contact him to schedule a talk in 2020. Our first board meeting was January 30, and I plan to give the membership updates as needed.

Thanks to all of you who donated material for the January auction. It was the most successful ever. This will pay for a little over one quarter of our meeting night's rent at the Marks Street Center in 2020. **Jim Archbold** reported good financial health in his Treasurer's Report at the annual meeting. This wouldn't be possible without your support.

We have at least three members who no longer can drive after dark. I f you are coming to the club from the Altamonte/Casselberry area and would like to help, call me. By the time you read this, we will have completed our one day Winter Show at the Marks Center. Thanks to the members who volunteer and Francis Ferguson as our continuing Show Manager.

If you have concerns or suggestions that the board needs to hear, here is how you contact us:

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The Editor's Box

Welcome to the first installment of this feature. After 50+ inserts of the feature "Serendipity" that concept has been retired. This feature will have a rather loose focus on whatever catches my attention — or what needs to be communicated to the CFSC membership.

- (1) As of this issue of the *Philatelic Missive*, efforts will be made every month to provide at least two inserts and up to three if the material available allows. In recent months, my pleas for material have mostly fallen on deaf ears. I have viewed the ability to have four inserts every month as a goal as Editor, but I now know that was not sustainable in the long term. As I have stated many times in the past this newsletter survives on material provided by our membership.
- (2) With my descension from the BoD, it will take extra effort to keep me in the loop with changes or requests by the membership. Please keep this in mind as it comes time to publish this monthly effort. As a general rule the newsletter goes to the printer 3-5 days before the first meeting of a month thus the deadline for material going into the newsletter is most often 10 days before the first meeting of the month.
- (3) I am always on the lookout for material for this newsletter —if you have something that you feel like writing about please contact me. If you find a certain topic interesting, chances are the membership will also. If you have topic that is more involved or a short and to the point both can be used. I do ask that you type up your article either in Word or an email as my typing skills are questionable on any particular day. Pictures or figures are best scanned however you can always just give me the material to scan. Remember there are few rules when it comes to writing an article.

The Central Florida Stamp Club is a 75+ 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 6:45-7:00. Cried auction and/or presentation to start at 7:05 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 one day shows in January/February, April & June. In addition, we are the resident hosting club for FLOREX which is held in the Kissimmee 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.

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