The Philatelic Missive

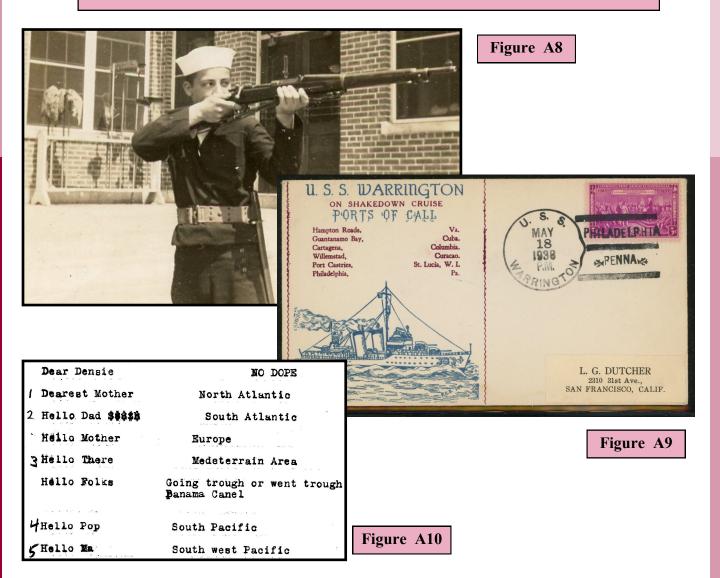






The Cover Story

Mail Home from World War II, Part II



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Program Schedule (Mar/Apr/May)

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.

May — The first meeting on 05.07 is scheduled to be a called auction. The second meeting of the month on 05.21 will have the ever popular "Member's Show and Tell" — bring an item to talk 3-5 minutes about.

BoD meeting for 2020; 04.30, 07.30 & 10.29.

February Meeting Recaps

The first meeting of the month started off with dinner at the "new" Tasty Wok with 15 in attendance. Good food and service, we just need to work on space/ placement. The meeting attracted 41(?) members. The silent auction sold 16 lots for a total of \$282.18 in sales. Steve Patrick had the presentation on B.E.P. Engravings. The After Glow was Francis Ferguson, presenting The 2 cent Reds, Part II.

The second meeting night began with 12 for dinner, with good food and conversation shared by all. The meeting had 43 in attendance. The presentation by Tom Lera was highly entertaining — as always. The silent auction sold 23 lots for a total of \$336.

Dinner Plans — We Are Set!

Call Francis at 407.493.0956 for real-time information if you want food. The dinner group has returned to the previous location — that is under a new name and owner — Tasty Wok. The food and service has been good — we just have to get them to understand we want to be seated together. 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 September 12 FSDA Fall One Day Show FLOREX 2020 December 4-5-6 For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

New Member x 1

Jim Moffitt from Maitland, who collects U.S. and Bahamas has joined us. After the 2019 end of year cycle we now have 104 on our active roster.

After Glow — March

The third 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 A157 designs with the associated Type I & II along with the color varieties. The session starts at 8:15pm in the back of the room.

CFSC 2020 Membership Directory

The directory will be available at the first meeting of March. Should you want one snail-mailed to your address of record, please let the Editor know.

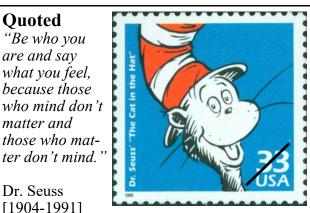
Show & Picnic Weekend in April

There is, of course, the one day show on Saturday April 4th from 10am to 3pm at the Marks Street Center. Bring your want list and do some hunting. The sign-up sheet for the greeting table is now available.

The next day on Sunday April 5th, the seventh annual Picnic in the Park will be held at the same location as in previous years. The club provides the hamburgers and hotdogs. Please bring a pot-luck dish to share. The food should be ready for consumption by 2pm. Come and have some fun with your fellow club members. Pickup the green flyer for more details.

Winners!

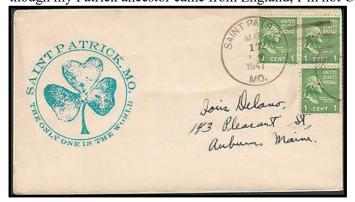
The winner of the CFSC 2019 Service Award is the much deserving Robert Fisher. The balloting for the best article in The Philatelic Missive resulted in first and second place going to Phil Fettig and third place to Thomas Lera. The best presentation went to Phil Fettig, followed by Henry Jehan in second, with Jim Cooney in third. Congratulations to everyone for being the tops!



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President's Message by A. Stephen Patrick

Welcome to March! Soon we will be inundated with a sea of green as another St. Patrick's Day approaches. When I was still teaching, I would greet everyone at school with a "Happy My Day." I had a student who graded papers for me back in 1979 who still sends me a card every March 17th. The Figure 1 cover is from St. Patrick's, Missouri, in 1947. Even though my Patrick ancestor came from England, I'm not Catholic, and I don't drink beer, I still like "my day."



pink and gold foil "peel and stick" stamp celebrates the South East Asia Women's Association.

New Members: Your Board of Directors met January 31 and officially welcomed new members in the last quarter. Welcome Lottie Cohen, John Ryan, John Robbins, John Catiller, Chuck Pierce and Lucy Jung. We are continuing to stay between 100-110 members.

As we leave February, in the Feb. 17 edition of Lynn's Stamp News, Denise McCarthy featured new issues that have heart themed stamps. There is a lake in the Faroe Islands that is even shaped like a heart. I recently found in one of my boxes a first day cover (Figure 2) from Tonga on October 19, 1964. It proclaims itself as "the world's first heart stamp." The



Spring Picnic: We voted an April date for our spring picnic, but the venue was not available. We have adjusted, and the new date is April 5. Please mark your calendar.

Club Library: Newt Kulp has been maintaining our club library for the last eight years. The list of materials can be found on our web site. Newt brought the books to meeting on Feb. 20 and Carlos Guffain found two books worthy of study. Check the list and see if you wish to take advantage of our storehouse.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Archbold gave a great report at our business meeting in January. However, it appeared that we operated with an approximate \$300 loss in 2019. Good news! Jim rechecked the figures which were 99% correct but found one change that brought the report "back to the black." Thank you, Jim.

Dining report: We have now met twice at the Tasty Wok located in the location of the old Viet Garden. The Chinese food is ample and good. Join us before meetings. We hope that they will become used to our way of dining.

I hope you have a great March, and may your life be M.N.H. (high quality).

The Editor's Box

"Stamp collecting...it's the ultimate 'Hermit Hobby'"

Attributed to Jason Wells as reported by John Robbins at the FSDA Fall 2019 show.

Jason Wells was a member of the CFSC for a couple of years, but has moved on to the state of Texas. He left us with an interesting quote to remember him.

Being a stamp collector is by its nature a solidary endeavor. Whether you attend big or small shows to find your treasures or hunt through online sites, the final part of the process of placing those treasurers in an album is most often done alone. The feeling of accomplishment when a page is completed is profound.

Most humans by nature are collectors of something. I am very curious when I ask someone what they collect — and the response is — "nothing". While I will accept the fact that there is as small percentage of humans that can claim that title with accuracy — I find the concept hard to understand.

I beg the question — "Why do we collect small pieces of paper?" I do it because the history and artistry behind the stamps makes me feel like I am part of a much larger whole. I ask you — why do you collect? Send me your reasons.

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 more than 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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