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## The Cover Story

### The Question of R.F. Overprints



Figure A1



Figure A2

## Program Schedule (Nov/Dec/Jan)

All philatelic activity of the CFSC has been suspended in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. A review of circumstances will be made in late November. There will be Zoom meetings for the foreseeable future. E-mail notices will go out a couple of days before the meeting date. Come see and chat with your fellow club members!

**BoD meeting for 2021; unscheduled at this time.**

## October Meeting Recaps

No in-person meeting occurred. Zoom sessions only.

## Dinner Plans

No meetings for November and no dinner gatherings.

## Event Calendar 2020 & 2021

<del>FLOREX 2020-</del>	CANCELLED
CFSC-Winter One Day	January 30 (Tentative)
CFSC-Spring One Day	April 3 (Tentative)
CFSC-Summer One Day	June 12 (Tentative)
FSDA-Fall One Day	September 13

For more info: [www.FloridaStampShows.com](http://www.FloridaStampShows.com)

## New Member none

The current roster stands at 107.

## After Glow — November

No sessions scheduled.

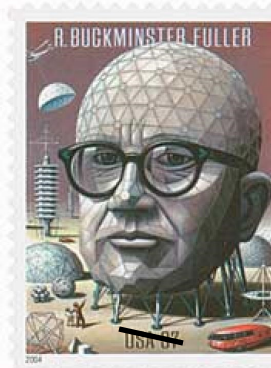
## \*\*\* Writers Needed \*\*\*

In an effort to keep the newsletter “plumb” during this time of no in-person meetings, we continue to need material. Please consider sending a general interest article for use.

## Quoted

“There is nothing in a caterpillar that tells you that it’s going to be a butterfly.”

R. Buckminster Fuller  
[1895-1983]  
American architect, systems theorist, author, designer, inventor and futurist.



## The Show in 2020 That Wasn't

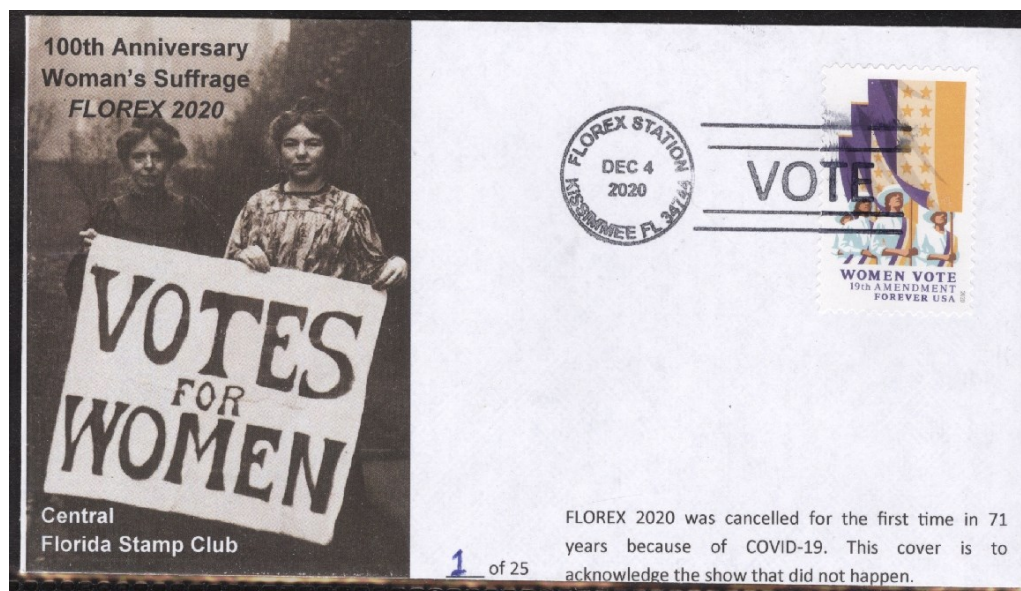
FLOREX for the first time in history was cancelled for 2020; 71 years of consistent philatelic adventure came to a

halt due to the ongoing public health crises. In an effort to create an information bridge for this cancelled show, a limited edition of 25 covers will be made available to the public. Pre-orders will be accepted, with an expected ship date of 12.15.20. One cover per person. All proceeds from this limited offering will go to benefit the Central Florida Stamp Club.

An anonymous club member has stepped forward to cover the cost of the postage on the cover and cost of creating the cancel device, thus 100% of the proceeds

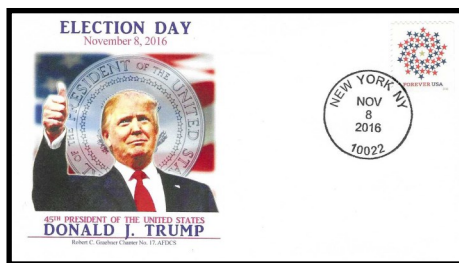
from this project will benefit the CFSC. The cost is \$10/cover which will include standard First Class Letter shipping. A big thank you to Jim Archbold for handling the cancelling device and to Mel Borofsky for designing the cachet and cancel and printing the final cachet — your efforts are appreciated more than words can say.

Please contact me at [fergapk@gmail.com](mailto:fergapk@gmail.com) to place your pre-order no later than 11.25.20. Whatever amount of covers are left after the pre-orders, will be posted on the FLOREX website for the general public to purchase.





## President's Message by A. Stephen Patrick



Here it is Election Day, 2020. We will soon be relieved of political ads and have to suffice with lawyer ads to give us reason to throw shoes at the TV set. As a retired Social Studies teacher, I have a binder of presidential inaugural covers and other political memorabilia from Truman to the last election.

I obtained this cover from the Robert C. Graebner Chapter 17, of the American First Day Cover Society. They are from the D.C. area, so in addition to first days, they also create political event covers like this one for the 2016 election. This is in no way an endorsement for the winner of the election but an historic item they would do for any candidate. It should remind us as stamp collectors that we collect whatever we choose

and reject what we don't like. As a history guy, I will collect a cover from whoever wins on November 3, Trump or Biden.

Some of our collecting choices are dictated by prejudice or popularity. As a kid, I was warned about putting money in the stamps of the "sand dunes" and Eastern communist Europe. Later I learned that stamps were embargoed from places like North Korea, Cuba, North Vietnam and PRC. I have friends that collect Germany but draw the line at DDR. However, perspectives change. I've noticed that long after dictators fall and governments collapse, Americans begin to look at their collectibles in a different light. Have any of your collecting ideas changed over the years?

October Meeting Reports: Although I was in Key West on October 1, I was able to watch on ZOOM as **Francis Ferguson** gave an interesting talk on the U.S. air transport issues. He has an amazing collection of post office announcements, matching plate blocks, first day covers including three by Dorothy Knapp, and many interesting uses both domestic and foreign. His interest started when he found a letter from his father to his mother (with Transports) during the post Korea conflict, while he was stationed in Hawaii and San Diego. Unfortunately those letters and covers were destroyed by his mother's instructions shortly before her death.

Twenty-seven members checked in the October 15 ZOOM meeting that was led by **Jim Cooney**, our vice president and a UCF astrophysicist. He shared his topical collection on "Our Place in the Universe of Stamps." His range of astronomers and scientists went from Ptolemy to Edwin Hubble as he explained the expanding knowledge of the universe and those who discovered it

**News notes:** I was happy to hear of the recovery of **Bill Johnston** from septic appendicitis in September. He was on the October 15 meeting. **Larry Stiles** had a hospital stay but he is back home. He called me about a first day ceremony for the "winter scenes" stamps on Friday October 16 at Winter Park Hospital reported in a stamp journal. He would like a first day cover, and so would I. My question is "Did it happen?" During Covid-19, I think many such public ceremonies have been cancelled. An internet search turned up nothing.

West Volusia Stamp Club held their "garage sale" on October 13. It was well run, but there seemed to be more sellers than buyers. **Newt Kulp** reports that their next planned meeting like this will be Feb. 13, and they hope to better advertise it. It is reported that the big FUN coin show will go on at the Orange County Convention Center January 7 – 10. This may be the largest event there since the shutdown. And last, our next club ZOOM meeting on November 5 will feature **Mel Borofsky** with "Celebrating the U.S. Bicentennial on the Stamps of Other Countries."

Keep safe. ASP

## The Editor's Box

Where do I even begin? The eleventh month of 2020 continues to be just as odd as the whole year of 2020 has been. Honestly I don't think anyone could make up all the stuff we have had to deal with in 2020. I look forward to a more stable 2021, where our cherished philatelic world will return to some degree of normal.

I am writing this while deep in the woods of Little Switzerland, NC. This is actually our 11<sup>th</sup> year of travel to this area; it feels like home, even if we are here only two weeks. The endless stands of trees are putting on a show of color, with a wide range of hues from yellow to bright red. It is truly a visual wonderland this time of year. It has been a very pleasant (if not a little chilly at times) change from Central Florida. Week two is almost done of my three weeks off from work. It is going to be very difficult to return to the daily work grind.

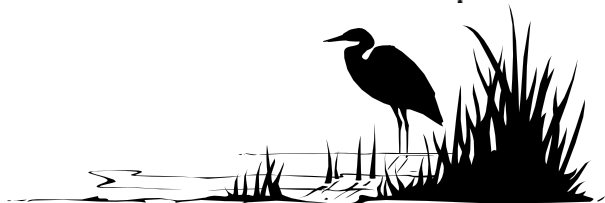
I have been making an effort to simplify my life through the train-wreck of the year 2020. To some degree I am achieving that goal. The endgame is to still be involved, but be more behind the scenes and having to function less on a monthly/bimonthly/quarterly schedule that has become very restrictive over the years.

Be well, be kind and be safe.

**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 going on 25 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](http://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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