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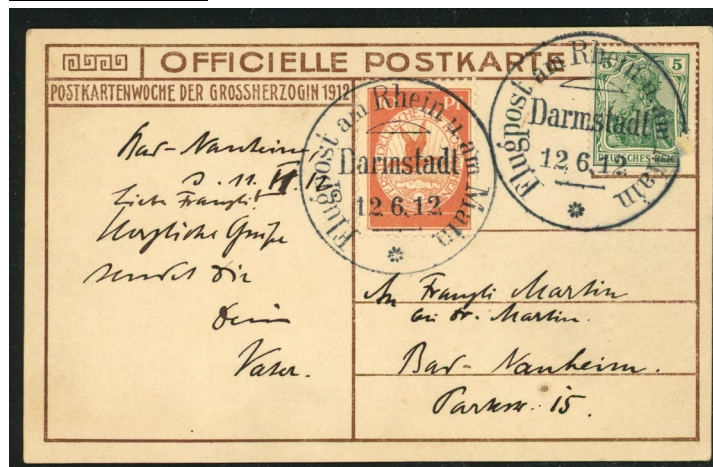
The Cover Story

What is Hiding in Your Philatelic Treasure Chest?

Figure A1



Figure A2



Program Schedule (Feb/Mar/Apr)

All philatelic activity of the CFSC has been suspended in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. A review of circumstances will be made in February. 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.

January Meeting Recaps

No in-person meeting occurred. Zoom sessions only.

Dinner Plans

No in-person meetings for February and no dinner gatherings.

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 the holder of the box of shirts.

Event Calendar 2021

CFSC-Spring One Day April 3 (Confirmed)

CFSC-Summer One Day June 12 (Tentative)

FSDA-Fall One Day September 13

For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

New Member (none)

The current roster stands at 108 as 2020 ends.

After Glow — February

No sessions scheduled.

Final Dues Notices

The following folks have not paid dues for 2021 — we will miss you; this is the last newsletter to be sent.

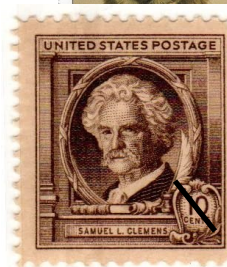
Roy Anderson; Jim Corrigan; Trevor Delafield; Kevin Gruver; Tom Hart; Derek Hill; Elisabeth Horstmann; Jim Kuhl; Dennis (Dan) McInroe; Phil Miner; Robert Miller; Don Orser; Greg Priewe; and John Ryan. Karen Cooper has resigned.

Quoted

"When a man loves cats, I am his friend and comrade without further introduction."

Mark Twain
Samuel Clemens
[1835-1910]

American humorist, commentator & writer who rode the tail of a Halley's comet coming and going.



Come To The Show!

On Saturday April 3rd we will hold our first local stamp bourse in nearly 14 months. The show will have 14-15 booth holders and will be held at the Maitland Civic Center (The Venue on the Lake) from 10am until 4pm. Please come out and support the dealers.

Restrictions will be in place to minimize COVID-19 exposure. Everyone at the show will be required to pass a temperature check, wear a mask correctly (at all times) and provide contact information. These requirements are not negotiable and are to be enforced to protect everyone's safety. There will be bottles of hand sanitizer around the room — and we encourage all show attendees to use the product as they see necessary. The contact information forms will be held by the show manager for 60 days and then destroyed. Everyone cleared to enter the show will be given a sticker to attach to their name badge. If you have already received the COVID-19 vaccinations you will still be required to follow the forementioned instructions. Again this is not negotiable.

There will be no food or beverage services available to the public at this event. Please keep that in mind when attending the show.

Come on to the show and spend a nice couple of hours, being a collector.

President's Message by A. Stephen Patrick

Happy New Year, 2021! Have you done something optimistic to plan for the New Year? It may as simple as buying a daily planner or changing the dates on the unused one for last year. For stamp collectors, sending in dues for 2021 for the APS or even our Central Florida Stamp Club is an act of optimism. Two thirds of you have already done so for our club.

Another act of faith is to make plans to attend the APS Great American Stamp Show August 12 – 15 at the Donald Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, Illinois, outside of Chicago. I was there in 2019 for the ANA World's Fair of Money and thoroughly enjoyed the venue and Chicago. Time will tell if vaccinations solve the Covid-19 crisis by then, but it is nice to plan.

We welcome **Stan McNatt** as a new member for the year. Stan is still gainfully employed and lives in St. Cloud, so it is difficult for him to attend a meeting where the doors open at 6:00, but he has enjoyed our Zoom meetings. Stan is also President of the German Philatelic Society Chapter 23 that has started their monthly meetings on Zoom.

Our club Zoom meetings have been very interesting, and about 40 members have participated at least once. However, average attendance is about 25. With over 100 members, we wish we had more taking advantage of this opportunity.

Balloting ended on January 25th for your favorite article in the past year's newsletter. The results can be found on the second side of Insert C. We won't have a ballot for best presentation because we only had two live before the shutdown, and the last eight months have been online. How can you have a fair vote when the majority of the members have not seen the online presentations? When we go back to live meetings, we may present small honorariums for the presenters instead. We have lots of talented members who participate for the joy of the hobby, but it's nice to be recognized for the work they do.

In this New Year, we are thankful for the accomplishment of COVID-19 vaccinations; the fastest roll-out of a new vaccine in history. I hope we all get one soon, so we can go back to a semblance of normality.

The Editor's Box

It is time to take a step back. Since March of 2006 I have produced 168 monthly editions of this newsletter. Every single one has been presented on-time. Two issues helmed by the late Al Nagy were done in the summer of 2009 when I was recovering from major surgery. The track record of producing and distributing this monthly effort has been remarkable. It is with great appreciation I thank everyone who directly or indirectly assisted in this effort. Without that assistance this would have been a much tougher road to travel.

With this issue, I will take a sabbatical (March to June) before returning with the July, 2021 Quarterly *Philatelic Missive*. While I do recognize that the value in this newsletter is in providing timely news to the membership — especially those that do not often attend meetings — the balance with my ability and desire to continue has to be taken into consideration. I feel that I can produce a quarterly effort with the continued support of my writing base.

The journey as Editor has been remarkable and in many ways fulfilling — even if I had to scramble at times to find (or write) content. If anyone out there wants to step in as Editor and take on the task, please come forward. I will be more than happy to assist and guide that individual if needed. Proficiency with MS Word and Publisher will be a requirement.

I will still be involved with the club sponsored shows in April and June — and the FSDA sponsored Fall show as well as FLOREX 2021. I am approaching retirement from my real job, with June 1 of 2023 being an expected target date, however circumstances could align with me retiring December 31 of 2022 — time will tell. Overall my intention is to simplify my life and not be tied as tightly to a rigorous production schedule. See you in July.

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
- 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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