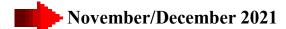
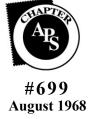
## The Philatelic Missive







## The Cover Story

## **Knapp on Fire**



Figure A1

FIRST DAY OF ISSUE

Figure A2

D. Knapp
Rhinebeck, N.Y.

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#### **Program Schedule (Nov to Dec)**

The first meeting of November will be a called auction — bring your goodies to sell and your wallet to buy stuff. The second meeting will have Tom Lera presenting on "Florida Stage Lines". The first meeting of December will be a Member's Show & Tell while the second meeting will have Steve Patrick presenting on the subject of "Holiday Stamps".

#### **September & October Meeting Recaps**

The first meeting of September started with 7 meeting for dinner and conversation — with 32 signed in. Richard Blanchard won the door prize. Jim Cooney called the auction. The auction sold 25 of 44 lots for a total of \$1,070. The second meeting had 5 meeting for dinner with a repeat of 32 signed in for the meeting. The door prize was won by Tom Lera who transferred it to the new member Allen Lane. The silent auction sold 15 lots for a total of \$449.50.

There are no numbers to report for October for dinner or meeting attendance (The Editor was out of town). The silent auction at the first meeting sold 24 lots for a total of \$206. The second meeting silent auction sold 24 lots for a total of \$119.

#### Event Calendar 2021/2022

FLOREX 2021 December 3-4-5, 2021
CFSC-Winter Show
CFSC-Spring April 2, 2022
CFSC-Summer June 4, 2022
FSDA-Fall September 10, 2022

For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

#### New Member x 1 + Returning x 1

New member Allen Lane from Orlando collects United States material. Treavor Delafield has rejoined us after letting his dues lapse. These two additions brings our current total on the roster to 98.

#### **Dinner Plans**

There are plans to meet at 4:30pm at the Tasty Wok which is located at the same place, we have meet for many years. Located on the NW corner of Shine Ave & 50 at 1237 E. Colonial Dr. There is plenty of parking on the north side, behind the restaurant. Bring your appetite – and your wallet.

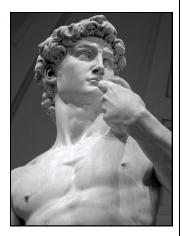
#### **Ouoted**

"The greater danger for most of us lies not in setting our aim too high and falling short; but in setting our aim too low, and achieving our mark."

Michelangelo

[1475 - 1564]

Master Italian Renaissance sculptor, painter, and architect.



## The Editor's Box

It is time to say goodbye. The last 16 years as Editor of this newsletter have been a mixed bag of joy and frustration. Most of the time I have been able to manage the task of putting together this publication — while some months have been a real challenge to present a finished product — that was worthy of reading. It is hard to believe that 171 newsletter have been produced and delivered to the membership on-time!

I would like to extend a sincere thank you — to one and all who have provided material over the years. There is simply no way this publication would have thrived without that ready source of material. Every effort—no matter how small — made a difference in the grand scheme of things.

I would like to acknowledge and thank David Allen for his ability to correct my lack of understanding of the English language — especially at 11pm or later when the finer points of the English language are often unfathomable. His dedication — often at the last minute — resulted in a much better product that was hopefully error free. Furthermore his work on the club's website, posting this newsletter and handling other projects over the last 16 years has been remarkable. His work has been mostly done behind the scenes, but of critical importance to the existence of the club in the modern era of mass communications.

It is now time for me to step back and let someone else take over the mantel of being the Editor. My personal goal is to return to being a collector again. With a new Editor there will be new ideas and ways of doing things. It is my fervent wish and hope that someone will step forward to continue this newsletter into the future. I stand ready to provide assistance and guidance if requested.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve the membership of the CFSC. Live long — and prosper.

## President's Message by A. Stephen Patrick

It's Holiday Season again, and perhaps this one will be more natural than last year, but not for all. Due to Covid precautions, there will be no Holiday Party again this year. Instead, we will have a regular meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup>, but the presentation will be on holiday stamps.

Recent programs have featured two new presenters. **John Catiller** gave a fascinating program on Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> on encased postage and revealed several more countries that have issued postal currency besides the U.S. during the Civil War. **John Gehrig** gave a presentation on the stamps of Dominican Republic issued during the reign of Trujillo and how they were used as propaganda to promote his brand.

**Tom Lera** on October 7<sup>th</sup> gave a great presentation on the stamps of Hollywood Movie Monsters. He will speak again on November 18<sup>th</sup> about his research into the mail carrying Florida Stage Line that existed before and after the Civil War run by H. L. Hart. Several of his articles on Florida postal history are appearing in Kelleher's Stamp Collector's Quarterly Magazine. Our last called auction for the year will be November 4<sup>th</sup> and the FLOREX eve meeting on December 2<sup>nd</sup> will be a member's Show and Tell. Please plan an item to share.

I would like to salute **Mel Borofsky** who has published our monthly bourse for 9 years. A lot of material has exchanged hands, and the program cost the club nothing. Mel is closing the effort at the end of the year because of waning interest. This is also the last issue of our newsletter by Editor **Francis Ferguson**. Francis has raised the standard of what a monthly newsletter includes, and we will miss his editorship. Thank you, Fergie! We may have a new editor(s) to announce soon, and it has been suggested that a Member's Exchange could be a part of our monthly newsletter. Watch for an announcement.

We look forward to FLOREX on December 3, 4, and 5. It doesn't happen without our club and its volunteers. The General Chairman **Francis Ferguson** has led this event for two decades. **Robert Fisher** is in charge of exhibits (for his last tour of duty), and he will need a few volunteers on Thursday and Sunday afternoon to mount and dismount exhibits. **Dave Zambon** is in charge of the front table and souvenirs. He still has a few slots open to fill at the welcome table. We need our members to attend and support the show that brings national dealers and major exhibits to Central Florida. We will have a club table staffed by **Mel Borofsky** that will promote a 50/50 fund raising project.

It's election time. If you are able and willing to serve on the CFSC Board, please get yourself nominated with our Elections Chairman **Josh Furman**. At least four members have stated they are not running in 2022, so we need fresh leadership and ideas. We soon will be issuing renewal notices for 2022. Each of you is important to our club. Let's go forward.

## A Wish For The Future

I wish for stability in 2022 and a return to a more recognizable philatelic world than has been endured through most of 2020 & 2021. Does anyone disagree? Doubtful. We are all creatures of habit and our "thing" is to meet twice a month and exchange pleasantries with our philatelic family. It is a common thread that brings us all together to share our philatelic adventures — and sometimes our disappointments. However, in the end — it is all good. We are stronger as a group.

Some say the hobby is dying — my response is — bunk! While the younger generation is mostly involved with electronic things — there is still a small segment who engage in more learned pursuits. Do what you can to foster the next generation of collectors. Small acts can result in change. Leave your copy of the APS Journal someplace it can be picked up and read — do remember to remove your mailing address! Every time I have left copies someplace — they have been picked up. Be an ambassador for the hobby.

# **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 25 years and provides a pleasant meeting room with easy access and plenty of free parking.
- The informal part of the meeting is prior to 6:00pm. The business side of things will be brief. Cried auction and/or presentation to start at 6:10 until 7:10 Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions. We must be out of the building by 8:00 without exception. We may be able to return to pre-pandemic hours early in 2022.
- 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; bi-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.
- As of 09.2021

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