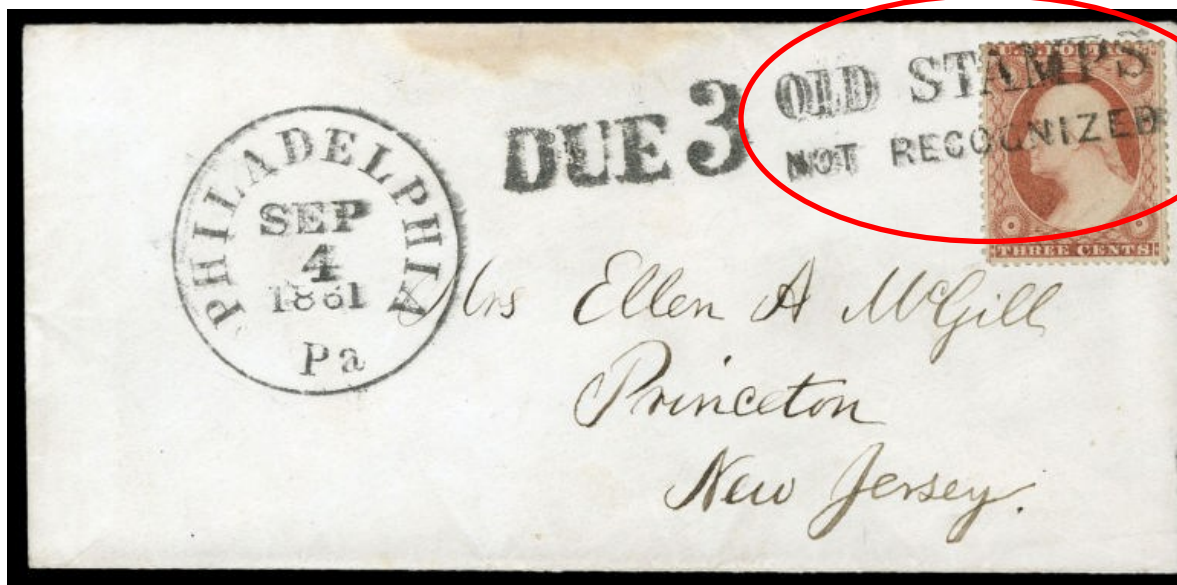


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THE COVER STORY, Insert 1 Historical Instances of Demonetization



SUBJECT INDEX

- Wrapper — Basic CFSC News and Information
- Insert 1 — Cover story, Historical Instances of Demonetization
3 pages.
- Insert 2 — Dead Post Office — Lake Village, New Hampshire,
Miami/Deland 1945 Air Mail Special Delivery Cover,
Questionable eBay #42; 3 pages.
- Insert 3 — The Thrill of the Hunt; 2 pages.

Pre-Meeting Dinner Plans:

Club members are invited to meet for dinner prior to the meeting the first meeting of the month at Anh Hong Vietnamese Restaurant (SW corner of 50/Mills at 1124 E Colonial Dr. with parking in the rear) At the second meeting of the month we meet at the IHOP restaurant at 646 E. Colonial Drive at 4:30pm. Bring your appetite & topics for discussion.

Upcoming Meetings:

May 7: Member's Show & Tell

May 21: More Goffy Mistakes!

Recap of April meetings:

The first meeting of April had 9 show for dinner and 33 signed in for the meeting. Robert Fisher was the greeter. The door prize went to Josh Furman and the two Maitland Spring Show gift certificates went to Mike Daley and Stephen Strobel. The called auction by ASP sold 28 lots for a total of \$724. The After-Glow session on the White's Color Guides by Francis Ferguson was well attended with 11.

The second meeting of April had 9 at dinner and 39 signed in — which was a high number! Jerry Eller was the greeter and the door prize was won by Tom Lera. Presentation by Francis Ferguson on Transports went well(ish). The silent auction sold 21 lots for a total of \$276.

AfterGlow Sessions 2026

02.05	Swedish Issue of 1988, F. Ferguson
03.05	Overrun Countries, F. Ferguson
04.02	The Whites Guides to Color, F. Ferguson
05.07	Specialized Collections, F. Ferguson
06.04	ID of Stamped Envelopes, N. Kulp
07.02	Watermarking US-WW, J. Eller
08.06	TBD
09.03	TBD
10.01	Die Cuts Explored, Jeff Small
11.05	TBD
12.03	None

Sessions start around 7:30pm and have to wrap by 7:55pm without fail.

German Philatelic Society Meetings 2026

The GPS Chapter #23 group meets from 2pm until 4:30pm at the second meeting of the month. Come on and join an interesting group.

Newest Members

No new members in April.

SHOW SCHEDULE 2026

FSDA Summer One Day Show, June 6
FSDA Fall One Day Show, September 5
www.FloridaStampShows.com

FLOREX 2026 December 4-5
www.FLOREXStampShow.com

****FLOREX Planning meeting is set for 2pm May 7th. Please be present.

Writers are Needed

We are always looking for articles for this newsletter. Help us to make the magic happen every month.

Picnic 2026

We had 16 folks show up for burgers, hot dogs and brats on the BBQ. It was a relaxed if somewhat warm event outdoors. If you have never attended one — make a point of doing so. The Picnic for 2027 is tentatively set for April 11, 2027.

April 4, Spring 2026 Show

The show went off with no major issues. It was an outstanding day in Central Florida which combined with the holiday weekend most likely caused the 12% decrease in attendance numbers from the 2025 show as people found ways to enjoy outdoor activities.

The next local show in Maitland is June 6th.

Quotables



When you arise in the morning, think of what a precious privilege it is to be alive – to breathe, to think, to enjoy, to love.

Marcus Aurelius
Roman Emperor
[121 AD—180 AD]

President's Message by Francis Ferguson Communication Skills



I have had the privilege of knowing someone for nearly 45 years. Richard is a close friend who I treasure and consider to be my BFF. We meet in 1982 through a work association and struck up an easy friendship that has weathered many residency & job transitions for both of us over the many decades. We both worked the majority of our careers for higher education systems — in different states.

Over the four plus decades we have spent maybe a couple hundred hours in person. Distance has limited what would be under better circumstances, an easy daily coffee friendship. We have had limited communications on the phone — only in times of urgency. Email is infrequent and also limited. Our primary mode of communication all this time has been by old fashioned letters. Since neither one of us possesses fabulous penmanship — we use a word processor to make our communications readable.

Our communication intervals have been erratic over the years because of work/life demands but for the most part we exchanged letters every 4-5 weeks; in recent years as we are both now retired — letters are exchanged every 2-3 weeks. I have been privileged to hear of his life and his trials and tribulations as I have also shared my “stuff” with him over the years.

I discovered that he had a childhood interest in stamp collecting and encouraged him to reactivate his collecting gene — it worked for a short time as he found his childhood stamp collection and began to expand it. Unfortunately, the need/desire/want to be a collector did not stick. I continue to share with him my personal major philatelic milestones.

Richard, at 76 years old, has fully retired and enjoys his now unstructured time writing for professional publication and reading for pleasure. Of course, he now has more time to write letters as do I.

How many of you out there have had a long-standing letter writing friendship? I cherish and look forward to every letter from Richard. Thankfully over the years only 3 or 4 letters total for both of us — have gone missing into the USPS black hole of death. I do consider that to be remarkable considering the decay of USPS over the years.



I do know with total certainty — that we will be exchanging letters until one of us is no longer able to write. When that day arrives, I will be very sad — but I will reflect on the many years of remarkable communications.

Be well, be safe and above all else be kind.

The Editor's Box




So far, so good. We have had some excellent articles for 2026. As usual we are in need of even more articles for our award winning newsletter. It is time to put a few brain cells to work, dig up old memories, or brag about your philatelic endeavors and treasures. Long or short articles gratefully accepted.

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- Membership is a reasonable \$30 per year, \$6 for youth (free the first year).
- 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 30 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 6:15 until 7:10 Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions. We must be out of the building by 8:00 without exception. AfterGlow sessions once a month.
- The Membership of the CFSC participates as the host and/or sponsor of the one day shows in February, April, June & September. In addition, we are the resident hosting club for FLOREX which is held in the Central Florida area.
- The CFSC maintains a website: CentralFloridaStampClub.org
- Benefits of membership include; monthly newsletter, access to loaner equipment & catalogs, participation in door prize drawings, the right to submit and bid in cried/silent auctions — and much more.
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