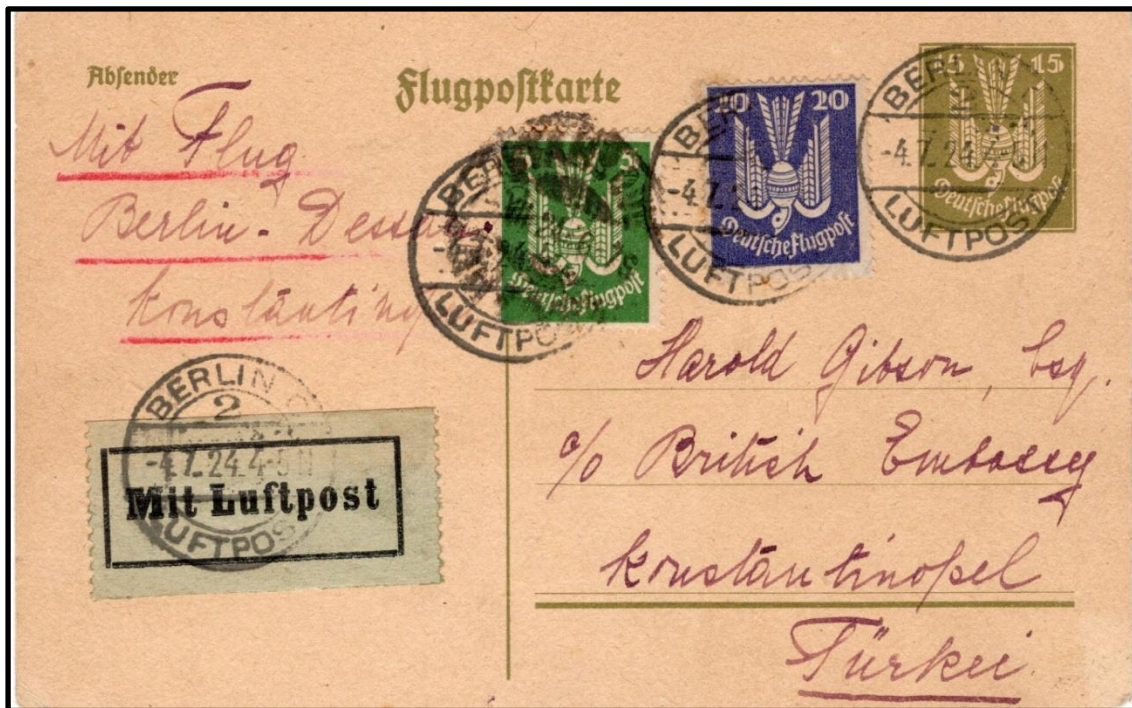


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Insert 4 – What is This Mess? -- 2 pages.

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:

June 4: Called Auction Night!

June 18: Boston 2026 Reports. *Please note that the 2nd quarter Birthday Cake celebration will be at the meeting of July 2nd.*

Recap of April meetings:

The first meeting of May had 37 signed in and 7 for dinner (two locations). Robert Fisher was the greeter. The door prize went to Gary Byrd and the Summer Show certificate for \$20 went to Matt McLean. The silent auction sold 18 lots for a total of \$293. The Member's Show and Tell was interesting for one and all. The AfterGlow session on the Specialized Collections by Francis Ferguson was well attended with 11.

The second meeting of May had 10 at dinner (2 locations) and 28 signed in. Jerry Eller was the greeter and the door prize was won by Richard Blanchard and Stephen Strobel won the Summer show \$10 certificate. The CFSC awarded Zane White a \$100 stipend for attending Boston 2026 for which he will be reporting on. Mike Smith's presentation on "Goffy Errors" was highly informative and entertaining. The silent auction sold 20 lots for a total of \$252.

AfterGlow Sessions 2026

06.04	U.S. Officials; First Issues, F. Ferguson
07.02	Watermarking US-WW, J. Eller
08.06	ID of Stamped Envelopes, N. Kulp
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.

Newest Members

No new members in May.

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 July 2nd. Please be present.

Writers are Needed

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

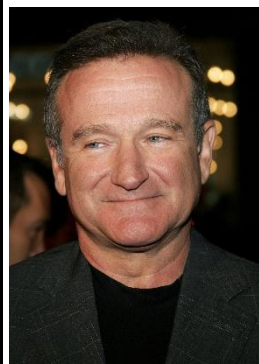
German Philatelic Society Meetings

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.

FSDA Summer One Day Show

The June 6th one day show at the Maitland Civic Center will kick off at 10am and run until 3:30pm. Come on down and feed your need to add to your collections. You never know what you may find while looking!

Quoted



"Why do they call it rush hour when nothing moves?"

The funny man Robin Williams

[1951-2014]

President's Message by Francis Ferguson

Things that make me say WOW!



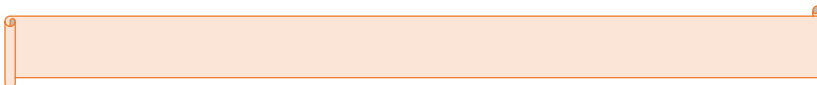
The wide world of philately includes a lot of material that interests and draws one into ownership. What is one man's junk is another man's treasure. That statement is so true for every collector. What interests me -- can induce a stupor in others. That is all good -- as we are all individuals with a different set of needs and wants. We all have a collecting gene that was activated sometime in the past.

As a beginner in my youth, I was fascinated with errors on stamps -- including to a lesser degree oddities/freaks. Needless to say, the finances needed to support that fascination did not exist in the world I lived in at the time -- lawn cuttings at \$4 a pop simply did not add up fast enough! It was only well into my middle years that the desire to collect errors was supportable. Which of course led to my fascination with Prexy EFO material. After 15+ years it does scratch that itch -- for me.

I recently found something I have never seen before on the 30-cent value. An on-press paper splice that occurs when a roll end is joined to the next roll being prepared for the press. In theory there should be 20 more of these in existence -- the question to beg is -- where are they? It is things like this that drive my need/desire/want to find new material to feed my collecting gene. I wonder if another one will show up anytime in the future in the philatelic ecosystem? I would absolutely love to find a large horizontal block of six -- or even thirty adding a great deal of context to the production freak. I can only wish and hope.

What makes you go wow?

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



Editor's Box

This month we have some unusual and interesting articles for your reading pleasure. Curiosity and a little extra effort are the keynotes for this month. Do you have an interesting undiscovered gem hiding in your collection? 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.

The club also needs more members to do presentations. Share your knowledge and research with the rest of us. I promise that we won't throw rotten tomatoes. Contact Steve Patrick to schedule a presentation. Contact me if you need help putting a presentation together.




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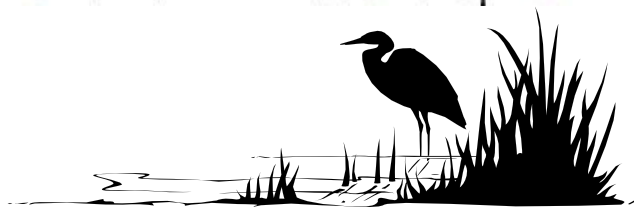
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- Membership is a reasonable \$30 per year, \$6 for youth (free the first year).
- Meetings are twice a month on the first and third Thursdays.
- The Membership of the CFSC includes many diverse interests that cover the range from A-Z.
- The meeting 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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