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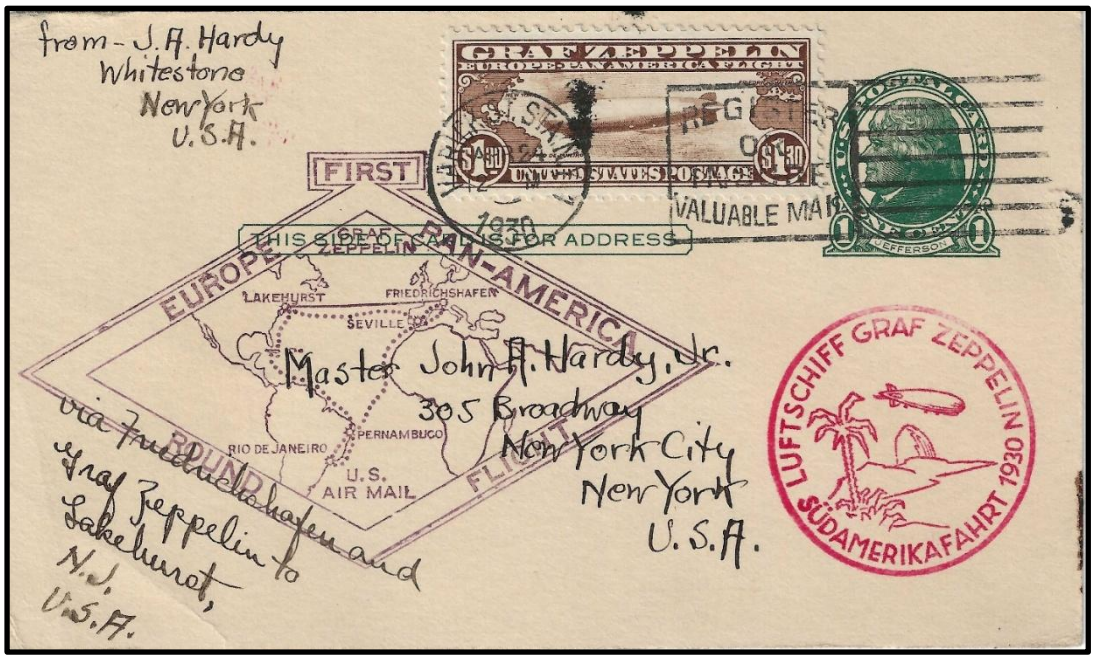
# Delving into Postal History

# A Zeppelin Postal Card

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## Pre-Meeting Dinner Plans:

Club members are invited to meet for dinner prior to 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:

**December 3:** Member Show and Tell
**December 17:** Holiday Gathering

## Recap of November meetings:

The first meeting of the month had 35 signed in and 17 for dinner at Anh Hong & IHOP. Jerry Eller was the greeter. The door prize went to Stephen Strobel. The Cried Auction by Robert Sazama covered a lot of material! Treats by Mimi were available. The AfterGlow session by Francis Ferguson on Special Paper, Part II was thinly attended. The cried auction sold 37 lots for a total of $853. Thank you to all that helped with the lick & stick session for the FLOREX postcard mailing.

The second meeting of November had 11 at dinner (IHOP) and 29 signed in. Jerry Eller was the greeter and the door prize was won by Carlos Guffain. The presentation on The Lindbergh Link by John Gehrig was very interesting! The silent auction sold 28 lots for a total of $523.25.

## AfterGlow Sessions 2027

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| 01.07 | Collecting Naval/Airpost Covers, PF |
| 02.04 | Collecting Black Postal History, ASP |
| 03.04 | RF Overprints on Transport C25, FF |
| 04.01 | Color Omitted Stamps, MS |
| 05.01 | Mt Rushmore 1991 Stuff, FF |

Sessions start around 7:30pm and have to wrap by 7:55pm without fail. The sessions in 2027 are being scheduled. See Francis Ferguson for scheduling.

## Help is Needed!

We are in need of someone to help with the coordination of the holiday gathering on the 17th. The need is for one person (or two) to be on top of the need for plates and cutlery and napkins along with paying attention to the food table.

## Newest Members

None this month to report.

**FLOREX 2026 December 4-5**
**www.FLOREXStampShow.com**

## 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.

## One Day Saturday Shows, 2027

February 6, 2027 – Marks Street Center
April 3, 2027 – Marks Street Center
June 5, 2027 – Marks Street Center
September 4, 2027 – Marks Street Center

Location: 99 East Marks St., Orlando
Oak Room, 10am to 3:30pm

**www.FloridaStampShows.com**

## Membership Renewal for 2027

The process has begun. Remember LIFE members do not owe anything and we just request that they make sure the contact information is correct. Your cooperation in this annual paper shuffle event is greatly appreciated!

**Quoted**




*"The only thing worse than being talked about is not being talked about."*

Oscar Wilde [1854-1900]

Full name: Oscar Fingal O'Flahertie Wills Wilde -- was an Irish author, poet and playwright.

# President's Message by Francis Ferguson

**We are all busy……**

The month of December is extraordinarily busy. FLOREX takes up a huge chunk of time and energy -- followed by all the end of year stuff that is club related. Preparations are happening for the holiday season that is fast approaching. The first week of the New Year brings updates to websites and schedules. All of these things in singular form are of little note, but when you lump them all together – it is a mountain of "stuff" that has to be done in a timely manner.

A lot of stuff happens behind the scenes; however, it still has to be done. The phrase "Many hands make light work" – is very important and for a club that functions on the power of humans providing assistance -- this is critical. Be part of the solution (please) and not part of the problem. Being a volunteer is rewarding and helps many folks. A simple act of participation can have a cascading effect….and you just might find out you enjoy being involved in things.

We are entering the holiday season – of which I am thankful for a number of things; my wonderful husband who for thirty years has shared joys of life with me; a hobby that keeps me engaged, inquisitive and happy; and finally for friends who enrich my life. Enjoy the Holiday Season.

Winter is officially is here – be safe and above all else be kind.



## December is Here!



## Editor's Box

We have some outstanding postal history articles this month. Keep them coming! As usual we need 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.

Submit your articles to: Editor@CentralFloridaStampClub.org

Contact Steve Patrick to schedule a presentation. Contact me if you need help putting a presentation together. Submit your articles to: Editor@CentralFloridaStampClub.org

### NEWSFLASH

**The Board of Directors has authorized a TEN-dollar reward to any member who submits a cover article for the first time.**

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**The Central Florida Stamp Club** is a 80+ 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 $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.
- Postal address: CFSC P.O. Box 1206, Plymouth, FL 32768-1206
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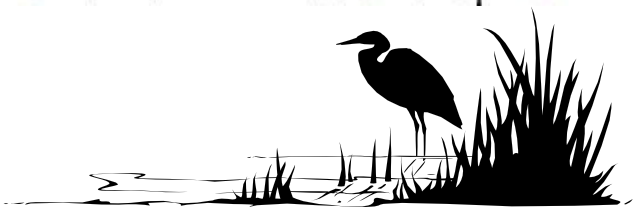

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