



## The Cover Story



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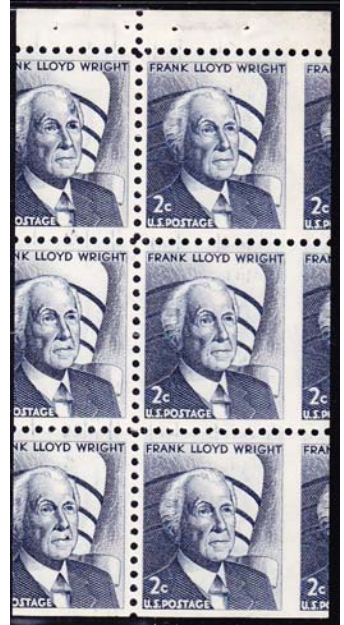


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## Program Schedule (Feb/Mar/Apr)

**February meetings** — The first meeting of the month on 02/02 will be the previous cancelled no fee auction that was to be held in January. The second meeting on 02/18 is to feature Francis Ferguson with “How to use the Club microscope on your computer”.

**March meetings** — The first meeting on 03/01 will have Randall Priest presenting “Death of a Big Tree”. The second meeting on 03/15 is scheduled to have Jim Pullin presenting, “Pioneer Steamers”.

**April meetings** — The first meeting on 04/05 will be our first YOUTH NIGHT for 2012, headlined by Randall Priest. The second meeting on 04/19 will be a cried auction with a \$2 minimum.

**Board meeting schedule for 2012 are; March 29, May 31 and August 30**

## January meeting recap

The first meeting of the year was canceled due to renovation work at the Marks Street Center. The second meeting night started with 12 for dinner and 31 signed in for the meeting. The auction sold 19 lots worth \$158.50.

## Event Calendar 2012

CFSS-Spring            April 14  
SUNPEX 2012           June 16-17  
CFSS-Fall                September 15-16  
FLOREX 2012            November 30, December 1-2

For more info: [www.FloridaStampShows.com](http://www.FloridaStampShows.com)

## Dinner Plans

Come join the group for dinner at Viet Garden at 5:30pm before each meeting. Bring your appetite – and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

## Monthly Quizzes

- Feb Neve
- Mar 1902 Busts for \$7.81
- Apr Odd Ducks
- May Fruit for 27¢
- Jun Great Americans from 32 to 78
- Jul Post Patriots
- Aug Scientists: American
- Sep “Shelled”
- Oct Hocus Pocus X
- Nov Greetings

All quizzes will be the second meeting of the month unless there is a conflict.

## Elections 2012-2014

Many thanks to Jim Pullin and his assistant Al Nagy for handling the election balloting at the last meeting of January. The following individuals have been elected to the board and will hold the positions noted; A. Stephen Patrick, President; Robert Dowrick, VP-Programs; Francis Ferguson, VP-Operations; Josh Furman, Secretary; Jim Archbold, Treasurer. The four Directors at Large are Phillip Fettig, Robert Fisher, Newton Kulp, and Randall Priest.

## New Scott's Catalogs for 2013

We have made inquiries about obtaining a complete set for 2012 and have found out — that is not possible as Volumes 1, 2 and 3 and sold out. We will start to acquire the 2013 editions as they are released. The policy remains the same — a member may check out volumes for two weeks at a time (sign it out in the registration book). If the volume is not returned at the next meeting there is a \$2 fine to be paid.

## Presentations for 2012

We are in need of folks to give a presentation for 2012, especially towards the last 1/2 of the year. Should you be interested in speaking please contact our newly elected VP-Programs, Robert Dowrick. Remember this is your club!

## Membership Dues for 2012

If you have not paid your dues for 2012 yet, you are way late. The hard cut off date for receiving dues renewals for 2012 is Feb 10. After that unpaid individuals will be dropped from the roster. If you are reading this newsletter and you have not paid your dues, it will be the last one you see!

At this point we are looking for dues payments from N. Blackwood, W. Bomar, G. & T. Campbell, P. Chang, L. Cohen, S. Ellis, D. Girshoff, N. & D. Hoffman, T. Kinney, K. Lall, the three Lepich ladies, H. & I. Levine, C. Newton, E. Niederman, C. Northrop, D. Pere, A. Rogers, K. Shearer and S. Steinhorst.

Either bring your dues to the first meeting of February or mail them for receipt by February 10th to the following address. CFSC, P.O. Box 1206 Plymouth FL, 32768-1206. Checks payable to CFSC.

Dues for adults is \$18/year and dues for youth members is \$6/year.

## **Phil the Postage Stamp** by Randall Priest Chapter 12 THE TRIP (Frank's Story)

Now you must meet some of my new friends from far away places. There is Fred, from France; Helga, from Norway; Frank, from Germany; and Suzanne, from Switzerland. And there are many more to get to know, and you'll want to hear all their stories. It seems like I've been listing to and talking with my new friends for a long time; and there are so many new stories to remember, and so many places that I've never heard of before.

I've been listing very quietly, so as not to miss any detail of their stories. Here's the one that Frank told.

Frank's story: I was once put into a small see through envelope, with just a few of my friends. The envelope was placed in a case, and when the case is closed, it was so dark. We can tell that we were traveling, because of the motion. Then the moving would stop, and then it would start again. But the trip was short, and we were soon in the light again. The person we were traveling with, takes us out of the envelope, and started looking us over.

As I try to take in my surroundings, there was a noise that seemed very loud, especially since we were inside. Then I saw a window that was smaller than any I'd ever seen before. I couldn't see anything through it: no trees, buildings, cars, trucks or people --nothing. Wait! I thought I saw some blue sky and clouds, but nothing else. Where was I? I listened to the noise again, trying to connect it to something I'd have heard before.

Nothing came to mind. Just as I was asking my friends for help, we were put back into the case, and it was dark again. My friend and I talked for a long time, trying to make some sense of this new mystery.

The case was opened again! We were out! I got a view in the other direction. There was a row of people, and another small window, out of which I still, could see nothing. Just as I was trying to focus on what I could see, the person with whom we were traveling, inserted the envelope, with us in it, into a shirt pocket. I still hear the noise. It was still loud, but changing. It was just outside the window-louder and louder. Then I heard a bump, and the noise got softer and softer.

We were on the move again, I couldn't see anything from the shirt pocket, but I could hear voices, and more noise. Some of my friends, who had traveled a lot, told me that we had been on an airplane. I had traveled across the ocean, from Germany to the United States. Wow! What a trip!"

### **Central Florida Fair 2012**

This is the 100th anniversary for the Central Florida Fair and once again the CFSC is staffing a booth for the period March 1 to March 11. We are only staffing the booth Thursday through Sunday both weeks. Please sign up for a shift as we have a lot of time slots to fill. Do keep in mind this is an excellent way to get to know your fellow club member who may be serving with you and also to engage the public. You will find that the public has a wide range of philatelic knowledge from beginner to advanced. Often times the conversations can be highly interesting and entertaining.

### **New Members!**

We would like to welcome Kenneth Connors of Altamonte Springs who collects U.S. Commemoratives 1930 to date, Israel, Greece, Turkey. We also welcome a new youth member OJ Sandoval who calls Debary home and collects Germany and Russia. We hope to see a lot of more of you folks!

### **Quotable**

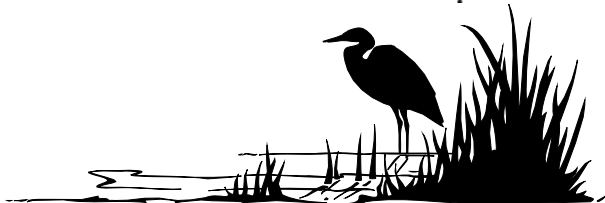
*"And in the end it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years."*  
POTUS #16, Abraham Lincoln [1809-1865]



**The Central Florida Stamp Club** is a 70+ 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 \$18 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 the last 10 years and provides a pleasant meeting room with easy access and plenty of free parking.
- The informal part of the meeting runs from 6:30-7:00. The business side of things from 7:00-7:20. Cried auction and/or presentation to start at 7:25 until 8:00. Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions from 8:00 to 8:25. We must be out of the building by 8:30 without exception.
- The Membership of the CFSC participates as the host and sponsor of the SUN-PEX show in June of each year. In addition, we are the resident hosting club for FLOREX, and many of the smaller local shows held in the Orlando area.
- The CFSC maintains a website: [CentralFloridaStampClub.org](http://CentralFloridaStampClub.org)
- Benefits of membership include; monthly newsletter, access to loaner equipment & catalogs, participation in door prize drawings & quizzes, the right to bid in cried/silent auctions — and much more.

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