



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 \$12 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 7:00-7:30. The business side of things from 7:30-7:50. Cried auction and/or presentation to start at 7:55 until 8:30. Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions from 8:30 to 9:00. We must be out of the building by 9:10 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
- 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.



A New Club Starts



Central Florida Stamp Club



CFSC Officers (2010/2012)

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Program Schedule (Apr/May/June)

April meetings — The first meeting on 04/01 is Kites on Stamps by a guest speaker, Russ Mozier from Sanford. The second meeting on 04/015 will have Phillip Fettig talking about something from his varied subject bag.

May meetings — The first meeting of on 05/06 will be a cried auction (\$2 minimum). The second meeting on 05/20 is our first Youth Night for 2010.

June meetings — The first meeting on 06/03 will have Francis Ferguson talking about something from his bag of philatelic stuff. The second meeting on 06/17 is billed as “History for All” with a cavalcade of speakers and material to interest one and all.

The Board meeting for 2010 are April 29, July 29, and September 30. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

March Meeting recap

The first meeting of March started off with a very full house for dinner — 14 humans! The meeting was well attended with 34 members signed in. We saw the belated return of Ed Horton from the North. Steve Patrick did a commendable job on presenting Mexican Revenues.....and he won the top prize in the quiz! The silent auction sold 21 lots for a total of just over \$170. All in all it was a good night.

The second meeting started off with two full tables of 10 for dinner. With 35 signed in for the meeting, it was an active time. New member Karl Zurn presented a Power Point of ship cancels. Nicely done! Auction results — 12 lots sold for a little over \$58.

Dinner Plans

Come join the group for dinner at Viet Garden at 6pm before each meeting. Bring your appetite – and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

Event Calendar 2010

CFSS-Spring One Day	April 3
SUNPEX	June 19-20
CFSS-Fall	September 18-19
FLOREX 2010	Dec 3, 4, & 5

For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

One Day Show — April 3

Come one come all — to the same room that you are so comfortable in. For the second year there will be a one day show in the Oak Room at the Marks Street Senior Center. Show hours are Saturday 10-4. Sign up for the greeting table. Six dealers will be present for this very personal little show.

Monthly Quizzes

- Apr A Dime for a Famous American
- May Get ‘n Around
- Jun The Middle of Columbus Match
- Jul Cool July — Order This

Central Florida Fair 2010

Another year down. The return of the annual event to the more traditional February-March time frame seems to have breathed new life into the 98 year old event. Unfortunately the weather was lacking in the nice department. Thank you to everyone who gave of their time and energy to staff the CFSC booth. We gave out nearly 1,700 packets of stamps, thus reducing our available stock to almost nothing. Special mention to Robert and Ann Dorrick, Josh Furman and Jim Archbold for helping to work the kinks out of this event. This effort earned \$200 for the club’s bank account.

Challenge 2010

Those of you who attended the last meeting of March learned that the Editor has issued a challenge. Over the course of the next 6-8 months clues will be given out to help you figure out what my connection to a very famous stamp is. To win you must tell me exactly how I am connected to the stamp. I am looking for four pieces of information: (1) The persons name, (2) the specific stamp, (3) the town name, and (4) the name of the company. All four pieces of information must be correct to win. Therefore waiting for additional clues will just make your chances better. I would encourage anyone who wants to participate to do so in writing — not verbally. If for no other reason, so no one finds out what you know. The prize is a \$20 door prize. In the event of a tie, a run off of some nature will be done. The connection is by birth and happenstance, but never the less the connection does exist.

Phil the Postage Stamp by Randall Priest

Chapter 8 — Another Stamp Show

I had been on display once, a long time ago. This time, I was in a bag with many of my friends, sitting on a table. I noticed that there were people coming to the table, and someone picked up the bag I was in. We were looked over, and then I was back on the table again, but this time I was face down, and couldn’t see anything. Then the bag was picked up and put down a number of times.

A man and his young son came up. The son picked up the bag, and showed us to his father. After some discussion, our bag was placed into another bag, and we were off on another adventure.

The young man was eager to open he bag and see what he had. Our bag was finally taken out, and we were poured onto a table. It felt good to get some fresh air and not feel so cramped. We were moved around, and then separated into separate piles. Then we were put back into see-through envelopes again, and placed into a box. I asked around to see who was with me in the envelope. Some of my friends had been in the same fire I was in, and some remembered being on display.

A few days later, the box we were in was removed, and we found ourselves on a table again. We were getting the “once over” again. We were measured, looked at through a big round glass, checked front and back, and finally placed with others who looked just like us. Then we ended up back in the see-through envelope, and were placed in a book. The book was not like any I’d ever seen before. This one held us on a row, without anything on our backs. It was finally closed, and put up on a shelf. We were resting, and waiting for our next adventure.

Clue #1, The stamp in question is in a very safe place and will more than likely not see the light of day for a term of at least 30 years.

Clue #2, The sum of the digits of the person’s birth year equals 20. This person while not the current owner, is the nexus of the connection.

2010 Bomar Award

The one and only Phillip Fettig was presented with the 2010 Bomar Award for service to the club and the world of philately. Please congratulate Phil on this much deserved award.

SUNPEX 2010

The show scheduled for June 19 & 20 is coming together nicely. Currently we have 12 contracts in hand and expect to have the remaining ones tied down shortly. We are still looking for exhibitors for one frame presentations. Contact Josh Furman for more details.

History Project

This long standing project has finally gotten a good head of steam and is moving forward. David M. Allen is trying to tame the beast and make sense out of many sources of information. Connecting

the dots across 70 years of history has been an interesting challenge. If you have some of these pieces of history that could add to our understanding, please come forward and let us know.

Night ‘n Day

We often see visitors at meetings with “old” family albums, hoping for a great find or two to be made. The last meeting of March was a odd one — two “collections” walked in the door. Sadly one was no more than a rather small and unremarkable accumulation of common postage from the 1920-1950 time frame. Total value on a good day maybe \$10! The second collection was truly the stuff one dreams of. It was handed down through three generations of the family — Wow! This mish-mash of U.S. material included two full sets of Columbians, three sets of Zepps, a set of Trans-Miss, and much more. I would guess a value in the over \$125K range. It was mind blowing. The owner was very, very happy with his “stuff”.

Quotable

“I’ve had a perfectly wonderful evening but this wasn’t it.”

Groucho Marx, American Legend [1890-1977]