



## The Cover Story

In the Beginning.....

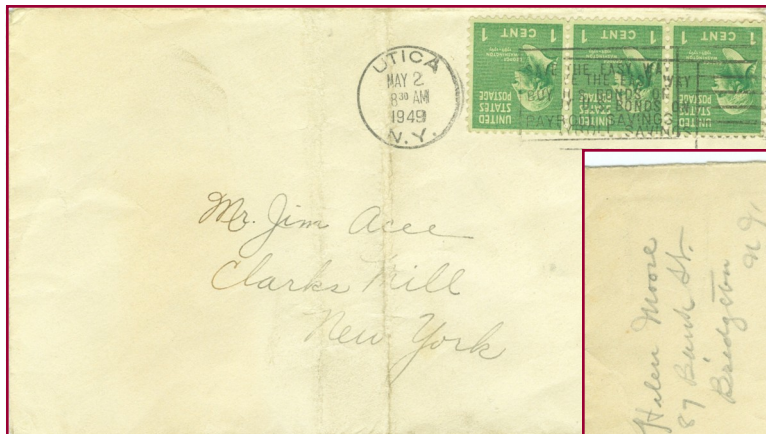


Figure 1

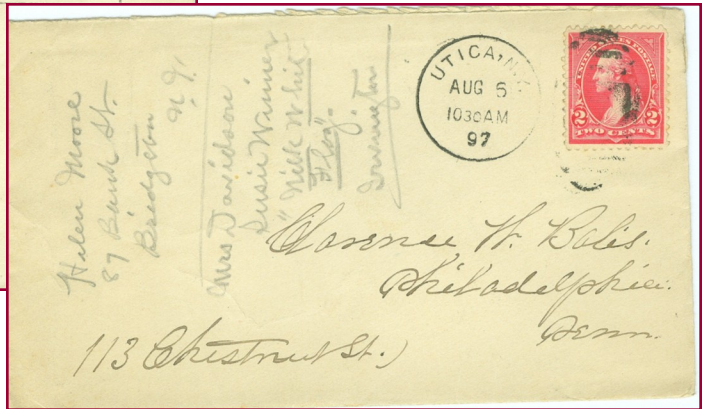


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C. W. Padlong To: Mrs. January D.  
 1866. Receipt from New York.  
 May 14. 11 H.C. 3<sup>rd</sup> 1 Bro to Soap 35  
 2. Bro Rain 120 3 Bro Sugar 762  
 1 Milk Measure 180 1 Milk Tray 140 14586 22 10.09  
 July 19. 5. Bro Sugar 120 1 Key Sugar 45  
 2 Bro Raisin 60 1 Bro to Soap 42  
 1 " Stalwart 72 1430 " 3.15  
 21. 1 Bro Dick 525 2 Bro Dick 640 1105 " 2.57  
 15.78

## Program Schedule (May/June/July)

**May meetings** — The first meeting on 05/03 will have Robert Fisher presenting on “Exhibiting”. The second meeting on 05/17 will have A. Stephen Patrick presenting “Post Office Souvenirs”.

**June meetings** — The first meeting on 06/07 will have Newt Kulp presenting “Fire in Philately”. The second meeting on 06/21 will have Phillip Fetting presenting “Dealing with Dealers”.

**July meetings** — The first meeting on 07/05 will have Francis Ferguson presenting the beginnings of his effort to make sense out of the British Machins. The second meeting on 07/19 has been scheduled for the \$5 Cried Super Auction.

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

### April meeting recap

The first meeting of the month started off with 8 folks for dinner, 26 members signed in at the meeting along with 8 youth guests. The Youth Night was successfully handled by Randall Priest. The silent auction sold 18 lots for a total of \$149.50.

The second meeting of the month started off with smaller group of 10 for dinner. The meeting had 29 signed in. The quiz was won by Tom Hart. The cried auction sold 18 lots for a total just short of \$352. We would like to extend a big thank you to our auction crier ASP and of course to Jim Archbold, Robert Fisher and David M. Allen for assisting in this endeavor.

### Event Calendar 2012

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)

### What is in a Name?

At long last after 6 years of publishing this monthly newsletter a name has been attached to this effort. From this point forward this newsletter will be known as “*The Philatelic Missive*”.

### Dinner Plans

Come join the group for dinner at Viet Garden at 5:00pm before each meeting. Bring your appetite – and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

## New Members x 5

New member Sue Vickers from Orlando who collects statesman, animals and presidents has joined us. In addition, the three members of the Lepich Family have returned as members. Mimi Tompkins has also joined us from Winter Park, and collects world-wide. Welcome all five to our little family! We are once again flirting with nearly 80 on our active roster.

## CFSC Membership Roster 2012

The roster is available for pickup at the meeting. Please keep in mind this list is considered privileged information and can not be used for marketing purposes under any circumstances. Should you want one mailed to you please contact the Editor.

### Monthly Quizzes

- 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.

### April Youth Night by Randall Priest

The first Youth Night of the year was a very interesting event. As of March the Club had 6 paid youth members. Youth Night was held April 5<sup>th</sup> with a total of eight youth attending. These eight youth came from three different places. Three were returning members, who rejoined. Three came from the Election Office and two from the Central Florida Fair. None of our youth members were in attendance.

After a short lesson on what is Stamp Collecting, there were drawings for prizes. Then a short story from ‘Phil the Postage Stamp’, followed by more drawings. Next a short story about ‘Mailing May’, using Parcel Post stamps. The program ended with the famous ‘Find the subject on a stamp’ found in the mound of stamps.

The last drawing was for the grand prize of a box of Stamps, Albums, Tools, and etc. The grand prize was won by Ariana Lepich. (one of our returning members)

I want to thank all who helped to make this Youth Night a great success — your time and effort is appreciated by all.

## The Cover Story In the Beginning..... by the Editor

As a life-long collector you at some time come to the realization that what you can add to your collection costs more than you can afford — even by stretching your resources. This problem can often result in the loss of interest in obtaining material.... and yes I have been there. The solution is easy and obvious to those that have the collecting desire/need/want that simply will not go away. Develop small specialized collections that you find of interest. Over the years, I have formed collections of Prexy EFO material, Edison 1929 issue, Transports, and specific examples of postal history from areas that are of particular interest. One of those areas of interest is the area of upstate New York where I spent the first 10.5 years of life.

Utica, New York was first settled by Europeans in 1773, on the site of Fort Schuyler which was built in 1758. Utica thrived through for nearly 175 years before hitting the skids of economic turmoil after WWII. It was not a pretty site as the economic base withered and died. Because of the decline of industry and employment in the post-World War II era, Utica became known as "The City that God Forgot." In the 1980s and early 1990s, some of Utica's residents could be seen driving cars with bumper stickers that read "Last One Out of Utica, Please Turn Out The Lights," clearly taking a more humorous stand on their city's rapid population loss and continued economic struggles. No respect even from elected officials; Edward Hanna, the combative, four-term mayor of Utica who once called his city "a stinking, rotten town," As of the 2010 census, there were 62,235 people residing in the city. The population gain since 2000 represented a reversal of over 40 years of population decline.

I was born in 1959 at St. Luke's hospital in Utica and enjoyed a strong family connection from both sides of my family, however the cold weather never entranced me — even a child. My Mother abhorred the cold, and was the architect of my family's move south to warmer weather in Coral Springs. My Mother closed her hat shop in downtown Utica in June of 1969 after a 21 year run and we began to prepare for the move south. We left New York after a particularly bad blizzard on December 24, 1969 to arrive in Coral Springs around noon, on January 1, 1970 to 80° weather. It was a nice change. My mother made a phone call from a pay phone mounted on a palm tree, to her sister in Clarks Mills NY, to let her know we arrived safe. Of course everyone on the other end of the phone call thought my mother was a little daffy!

I have been able to find an number of interesting examples of postal history over the years, and minimal cost, often in places that are unexpected. It only takes a keen eye and time.

**Figure 1** is of particular interest to me, as it is addressed to my uncle James Acee (my mother's brother) who passed away in 1972. I suspect the cover dated May 2, 1949, (which does not have an enclosure), came from his future wife who resided in Utica. There was a large Italian immigrant population (his future wife background) in Utica at that time along with a significant Lebanese cluster that was my Mother's lineage. The cover was found in some family correspondence.

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### April 14 One Day Show Recap

It was a great show. The doors opened at 10am to a waiting crowd. The attendance numbers for the event exceeded the show in 2011 by 15%. It seemed that everyone was happy, including the six dealers in attendance — who want to return next year. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to make the show happen

### Quotable

*"I had a rose named after me and I was very flattered. But I was not pleased to read the description in the catalog: - 'No good in a bed, but fine against a wall.'"*  
The formidable Eleanor Roosevelt [1884-1962]

**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 12 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.

## Central Florida Stamp Club



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