



The Cover Story

IS YOUR COLLECTION READY FOR YOU TO DIE?
Part 1 – The Collectors Viewpoint



Program Schedule (Aug/Sept/Oct)

August — The first meeting on 08/07 will have Mel Borofsky presenting a very cool topic (always appreciated in August in Central Florida) — “Antarctica Stamps”. The second meeting on 08/21 will be a bonus Cried Auction night.

September — The first meeting on 09/04 will have Leah Dummich presenting on “Disney”. The second meeting on 09/18 is scheduled with Jim Pullin presenting part II of “Freight Money”.

October — The first meeting on 10/02 will have the forth quarter cried auction — brings your treasurers and wallet! The second meeting on 10/16 will have Robert Fisher presenting on “Carpatho-Ukraine Update”.

Board meeting for 2014; October 30.

July Meeting Recaps

The first meeting of the month started off with a scant crowd of 8 for dinner and conversation. However we had 31 signed in for the called auction. A. Stephen Patrick was the crier for summer auction that sold 22 of 35 lots for a total of \$196.75. We even had a surprise visit from the recently relocated Dummich’s all the way from Jacksonville! Thank you to Phil, Robert, David, David, Jim, and Stephen for making the auction happen.

The second meeting had a baker’s dozen minus 4 — the food and conversation was good! The meeting had 35 signed in for Randal to perform his magic with the youth program — “Hello Anna”. The auction sold 20 lots for \$119.40.

Dinner Plans

Come join the group for dinner at Viet Garden at 5:00pm before each meeting. Located on the NW corner of Shine Ave & 50 at 1237 E. Colonial Dr. There is plenty of parking on the north side, behind the restaurant. Bring your appetite – and your wallet. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

Event Calendar 2014

FSDA Fall 2014 September 13-14
FLOREX 2014 December 5-7
For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

New Member X 2

Welcome to Bob Gifford of Leesburg who collects, U.S. plate blocks and singles. Also welcome Rodney Robertson of Orlando who collects, world wide. These two folks bring our active roster to 89!

Club Polo Shirts

For those new and veteran club members who do not have a lovely blue club shirt — we have them for purchase at \$20 each. See a member of the BoD to buy one or two!

FSDA Fall Orlando Show

Mark your calendar for the weekend of September 13 -14 for the show at the Bahia Shrine Center. Once again 15 dealers will be setting up for the shopping pleasure of us collectors. We hope that the audio bonus from the June show will not be repeated! The sign up sheet for the greeting table will be out at the first meeting of August.

End of 2014 Stuff

As we start to move into the fall and the end of 2014 there are a couple of things to be aware of; (1) The Editor is always looking for articles of interest for this newsletter. (2) There will be NO December newsletter but rather a November/December edition as has been done in previous years. (3) The Membership Dues Invoices will be distributed to folks who attend meetings in November, the remaining ones will be mailed to the address of record. Dues are payable by December 31st to remain in good standing. (4) The annual Holiday Pot Luck Gathering will be December 18th. (5) The first meeting of 2015 falls on New Years Day, thus it is cancelled. The Club No Fee auction will be moved to the second meeting of January on the 15th. If there are any questions or concerns, see a BoD member.

Quotable

“We keep moving forward, opening up new doors, and doing new things because we’re curious. And curiosity keeps leading us down new paths.”

The imaginer Walt Disney
[1901-1966]



President's Message

The Board of Directors has been busy updating the Club's Bylaws that were last touched in 2001. Since then, many technologies have emerged and the bylaws needed to be refreshed to reflect those changes. A brief summary of the changes:

- ◆ The number on the board has been updated to 9 members. It was felt this number better represents the club's interests and allows for more participation from the membership and ensures a smooth transition as members retire from the board and new members are added.
- ◆ Description of the levels of membership, (Regular, Junior, Honorary) was updated and clarified.
- ◆ Membership renewal notices for the next year are distributed starting with the first meeting in November. If a member does not attend a meeting in November, a notice will be mailed to their address of record. All memberships must be renewed by the 1st meeting in January to retain membership and voting rights.
- ◆ Language was updated and better defined to handle member conduct issues that may arise.

A copy of the Bylaws will be placed on the club website in the members only section for all members to review. A copy will be placed in the new member's packet when they apply to join the club.

You are encouraged to read the updated document. If you want a paper copy, please let one of the members of the board know and we will be glad to accommodate your request.

Are All Stamps Created (Centered) Equal?

by Phil Fettig

"Of course not!" — you answer, we all know that stamps exist with a wide variety of centering. Now, did you think that stamps from the same sheet, or even just close to each other would be centered alike? The answer to that, also is no.

Just look at this plate block of 6 of Scott 530. The stamp in the upper left position is on the low end of very fine, its neighbor, immediately to the right just slips at fine. You get the idea and can judge the rest for yourself. There is a technical reason for this that we will leave for a later program if you are interested. We can just say that in 1918 things were measured with instruments that are crude by today's methods plus the eyesight of the production staff. All in all, a big difference from today's lasers and computer-driven production.



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 15+ years and provides a pleasant meeting room with easy access and plenty of free parking.
- The informal part of the meeting runs from 6:00-6:45. The business side of things from 6:45-7:10. Cried auction and/or presentation to start at 7:15 until 7:50. Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions until 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
- Benefits of membership include; monthly newsletter, access to loaner equipment & catalogs, participation in door prize drawings, the right to bid in cried/silent auctions — and much more.

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