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The G. E. Card(s)



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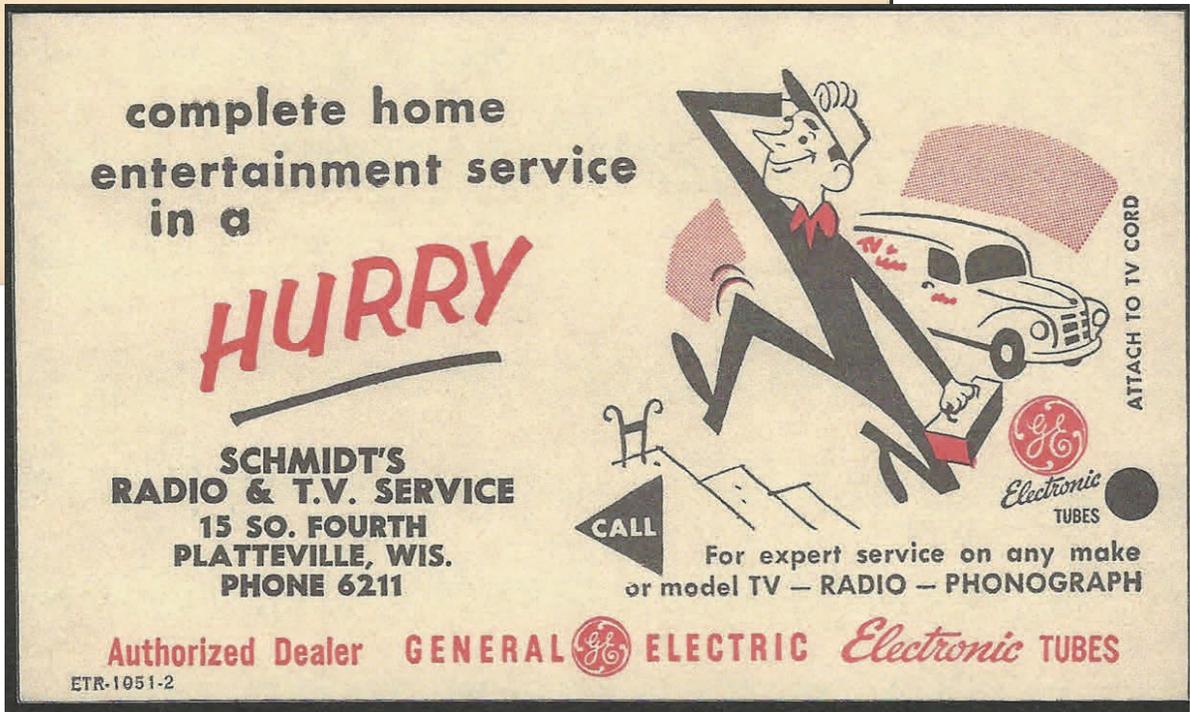


Figure 2

## Program Schedule (Aug/Sept/Oct)

**August** — The first meeting on 08.04 is scheduled to have a presentation by Mike Schumacher entitled “Introduction to Iceland”. The second meeting on 08.18 will have Newt Kulp talking about U.S. Air Letters.

**September** — The first meeting on 09.01 will have our Third Quarter Cried Auction. The second meeting on 09.15 is currently slated to have long-time member Bill Johnston presenting on Classic Automobile Advertising & Cars on Stamps.

**October** — The first meeting on 10.06 will have Bonnie Streeter presenting on “The Pony Express Mail”. The second meeting on 10.20 is scheduled with Mel Borofsky discussing “British Colonies Common Types”.

**BoD meeting for 2016; 09.29.**

## July Meeting Recaps

The first meeting of July started off with 6 for dinner — and 37 signed for the meeting. The belated awarding of the \$10 door prize for the 2nd quarter birthday folks was made to Ken Conners. The presentation by Jim Pullin went well — once the battle with the display screen was completed, without bloodshed. The silent auction sold 26 lots for a total of \$233.

The second meeting began with 13 for dinner — it was a nice group for food and chat. The meeting had an astounding 44 people signed in for a meeting in the dead of summer! This is the sixth meeting of 2016 that has attracted more than 40 members. A. Stephen Patrick presented on the NYC2016 show and peripheral things. The silent auction was very active with 29 lots sold for a total of \$298.

## 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.

## 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 \$10 each. You will look GREAT in blue!

## Event Calendar 2016

FSDA Orlando Fall Show      September 10-11  
FLOREX 2016                      December 2, 3 & 4  
For more info: [www.FloridaStampShows.com](http://www.FloridaStampShows.com)

## New Members X 2

**Scott Cornwall** from Tavares has joined us. Scott is the current president of the Golden Triangle Stamp Club and collects Greenland, Thailand, U.S. and World Wide. **Steve Main** from Wildwood collects Allegany County NY, 19th Century US. Welcome to both of you! We now have reached 94 on our active roster — the goal is 100!

## Stump(er) Contest Results

Surprisingly there was only one correct guess out of four attempts. The correct answer was TREE or TREES — not wife, not flowers, not cow, not pig. Forrest Smith (go figure on that one) won a \$10 door prize.

## Pleading For.....

Edgar Rice Burroughs, Stephen King or Truman Capote you don't have to be. What we need is more articles for this monthly publications. *The Philatelic Missive* is now in its 12<sup>th</sup> year of publication, with the hope of a lot more years down the road. At this time, the well has run dry of stored up articles. I commend and thank the cadre of writers I have had over the years, Phil, Josh, Jim A, Forrest and others that have provided material often at the last minute. Please consider writing an article — it can be long or short — but something about what you collect. I guarantee the article will be of interest to the club. This publication should reflect the diversity of your membership and the wide ranging collecting interests they have. If you need a little guidance in the writing process there are a number of us willing and able to assist. Please contact the Editor if you can offer articles. You may find you actually like doing the research and writing the article — give it a try!

## Quoted

*“It seems to me that some of us value information over wonder, and noise over silence.*

*And I feel that we need a lot*

*more wonder and a lot more silence in our lives.”*



Winter Park's own Fred Rogers [1928—2003]

## President's Message by Francis Ferguson Random Thoughts This Month

I have to say this blank space is mocking me this month. Maybe something will bubble to the top tomorrow....

And here I go ..... with two random thoughts.

Recently I was made aware that someone whom I have known for 43 years is also a stamp collector. Full disclosure — the person is a high school chum and I have not seen him in the flesh since graduation in June of 1977. Scott Bryne and I reconnected via social media (Facebook if you must know) 4 years ago and have maintained a casual communication channel ever since. Scott has collected United Nations, Pitcairn Islands and Darwin topicals. If we can work out the details Scott will meet me at the National Postal Museum in early October when we visit the area. To say I am looking forward to seeing my friend from all those years ago, would be an understatement! Are there folks in your life who you found out — years after first meeting them, that they were also collectors? I find it odd that something that is so much a part of a person is not more on display.

What acquisition in your philatelic life would make you giddy with excitement? I will call this my “philatelic hit-list” for lack of a better phrase. I have three. (1) The final plate block of #655, LR, #19807 — to complete that part of the collection. I have never seen one. (2) A 1922 pre-first edition of the Scott's Specialized Catalog. With only 400 made (60 pages, bound in green leather), this is a very rare item from 94 years ago. Again I have never seen one. (3) This is actually a two part desire, a 30¢ and 50¢ Transport commercial or private use that is purely a domestic usage— not FDC, foreign or territorial. I own one of the 50¢ covers, but would love to own a couple more. We are collectors because the thrill of the hunt and acquisition is what makes us tick. So what are you searching for that has eluded you for years (or decades)?

## Serendipity — Part XXI by A. Stephen Patrick

The recent success of the Invictus Games has brought worldwide attention to Orlando thanks to the promotion by Prince Harry. His work for disabled soldiers is admirable, and his popularity can't be denied. Illustrated nearby is a souvenir cancellation from celebration of the wedding of his grandparents. Elizabeth and Phillip were wed November 20, 1947, in Westminster Abbey.



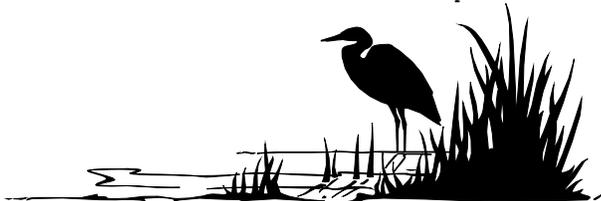
To mark the occasion, Royal Post produced a machine cancel to be used nationwide with wedding bells and royal initials. This cancel is from five days later in Stretford near Manchester. Great for the newly married couple, and great for their grandson Harry.



**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 16+ 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 7:55. 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](http://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.

## Central Florida Stamp Club



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