



# CENTRAL FLORIDA STAMP CLUB

A WHOLLY OWNED ENTITY OF THE MID-FLORIDA PHILATELIC SOCIETY, INC.

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## Program Schedule (Sept/Oct/Nov)

September meetings --- the first is the rescheduled \$5 auction night, while the second one is Youth Night Part II

October meetings --- the first is unscheduled while the second will have retired teacher, Larry S. talking about something or other – it is always entertaining.

November meetings --- the first is unscheduled while the second we will have Al N. presenting: “Zeppelins Revisited”.

The last Board meeting for 2008 is October 30<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

## August Meeting (First) recap

Is anyone sure this is summer? The temperature indicates it is.....the first meeting of August was a wing-dinger --- with a nice crowd of 8 who enjoyed dinner together and nearly 35 persons signed in. Besides a surprising number of adults who braved the 100 degree weather there were 10 or so youths who partook of Randall’s expertise. Josh’s presentation was as always humorous and entertaining. The active auction totaled a respectable \$164.50, the quiz was won by our esteemed ex-president Phil F.

## The second meeting in August

by Jim A.

Four hearty men braved the pounding wind and rain to show up at Viet Gardens. Their hunger for philatelic fellowship and knowledge greatly reduced their fear of the awesome raging storm. On this night, food was secondary to their mission. Steve P. and Josh F. controlled the fascinating conversation about exploits at Hartford! Finally

Steve P. could wait no longer to share his treasure trove as he made his way through the blinding rain to retrieve precious covers acquired at Hartford Stamp Show. These covers were carefully scrutinized and enjoyed by all. Finally it was time to move on to the final destination; there members slowly filtered in until there were 9 adults and 1 youth present. Heads came together and minds swirled with ideas; we quickly shelved the auction in favor of "mounds of stamps" for the youth present. Soon stamps were flying all over as most present engaged in finding valuable stamps. One member brought some stock and a few sales were made. At drawing time, one member claimed he hadn't won for awhile and the sweet little girl member drew his number! We reluctantly decided to retire the evening early so that the custodian could leave as we were the only group in the building. With sad farewells, we trudged out into the fierce storm. (You had to be there to believe this night).

## Writers Welcome

Still looking for writers for this newsletter.....

## Holiday Party

Come one, Come all! Mark your calendars for the annual Holiday Party that will be held starting at 7:00pm on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Jim A. will be coordinating the event. A turkey and ham will be provided. Side dishes are requested as in previous years. The Glue Awards will be given out for 2008 --- be there --- or be missed!

## CFSS -- Fall

The first local show of the season will be held the weekend of September 27 & 28. There are 15 dealers for two days with a wide range of material. Come on out and have some fun! The signup

[www.centralfloridastampclub.org](http://www.centralfloridastampclub.org)

sheet for the greeting table is available for your signatures.

## 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. Everything goes better with food --- be there or be missed!

## Event Calendar 2008

CFSS-Fall (BSC) Sept 27-28, 2008

FLOREX 2008 Dec 5, 6, 7, 2008

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

## Monthly Fun with Stamps Quizzes

- Sept Point A to Point B (1<sup>st</sup> meeting)
- Oct Hocus Pocus VI (1<sup>st</sup> meeting)
- Nov High Five Liberty (2<sup>nd</sup> meeting)

## Phil – The Postage Stamp

By Randall P.

My trip started in a paper factory. This is the story of the places I have been and some of my adventures. So, here we go!

Not to go into to many details, I am very flat and very wide, (not very attractive is it?) but it is, who I am.

I find myself rolled up into a large roll before leaving the factory, in a large box with wheels. This trip was not very much fun.

Next stop, on my trip, my roll of paper is placed on a large machine that will roll out the paper. Everything is going fine when all of a sudden, out of no where; different colors of ink are thrown, right into my face. Before I could get my eyes focused again, here comes, what I can only describe as not something you would like on your back. As the ink on my face is drying and the sticky stuff on my back is not as sticky, well just wait. The things that have been done to me are now sinking in when I look down the direction that we are traveling.

As the next object comes into view, it cannot be what it appears to be. I don't believe what it is that I see down the way. What I see can only be described as many blades ready to cut me into pieces. As the blades come closer, it appears to be... the end. Just as the blades slowly come in contact with me I notice that they are not solid but have spaces in them. As they pass over me I discover that I have a row of holes all the way around me.

As I check out my surroundings, there... to my surprise, I am not alone, I am one of many. My face and all the others are the same. So as this realization is sinking in, we are put in a box. I am in the dark again. 'On the road again', O' well you know what I mean.

My next stop is in a cave in Kansas, while some of my other friends have been sent to the local Post Office. Well the temperature is comfortable and, not a dark as you my think, here I sit with my friends.

I hear a phone ring, soon after, I and 9 of my friends are separated from the others, put into a package and here we go again.

When I arrive at my destination, I find myself removed from my friends and I am placed on an envelope, for another trip.

After a very rough ride I find myself once again in another machine, along with many others. As we are moving along and the fun of the ride is suddenly, brought to a halt. When just as before, I have ink in my face once again. Now I have strips across my face. (What a sight).

When I arrive at my new location things seem to calm down. As I start to settle down, I find myself in a box with many others like myself. We do not look alike but we all seem to have very similar stories.

What will my next adventure be? Only time will tell. To be continued.....

## Very Early Notice!

There will be no scheduled meeting held on 01.01.09 as this is a holiday and the building is closed. In accordance with our By-Laws the second meeting of the January is required to be a Business meeting to discuss and inform the membership on what has happened the previous year. Since this is not an election year, the business side of the meeting should last no more than 15-20 minutes. We will also be holding a cried auction. This is the Annual Club Donation Auction, so come prepared to participate.

## Quotable

"I sang in the choir for years, even though my family belonged to another church."

*Hollywood Squares -- Center Funny Man, famous for the off-wall-one-liner, Paul Lynde [1927-1982]*

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