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Dear Members;

Greetings to all in this the fourth newsletter for this year. It is hoped everyone is enjoying this holiday season. And we want to welcome back our members who escaped the hot Florida summer for the cooler north. I'll be updating you on recent activities of the Club and informing you of upcoming events.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: 1982 is just around the corner and it is time to remind everyone that it is DUES time again, which are \$8.00 per year for Regular Members and \$4.00 for Junior Members (age 12-17) for the next year. The Club By-Laws require dues to be paid by April 1st. However, it is hoped that dues will be received before that deadline so the Club can budget its expenses early in the year, and also so that a member will not become delinquent as an active member.

Many of you will be paying directly to the Treasurer at one of the next meetings. But, since many members, for whatever reason, may not be attending an early meeting next year, a pre-addressed envelope is enclosed if you wish to mail in a check.

Some members have already paid through 1982 and I have noted that on your copy of this letter.

JANUARY MEETINGS: The first meeting in January will be on Thursday, January 7th. At this meeting the Nominating Committee will present its Report of Nominations for Club Officers to be elected on January 21st for the upcoming two years.

Also on the program will be the awards presentation for exhibitors in SUNPEX '81. If you exhibited please try to make a special effort to be present at this meeting. Following this will be a regular philatelic program by a speaker. The complete 1982 Program is not finalized as yet but an interesting program is promised.

Our second meeting in January (Jan 21) is the Annual Meeting of the Membership (including Treasurer and Secretary reports), to be followed by sell, swap, trade session. As I've mentioned previously, the By-Laws of the Club require this annual meeting in January. The most important part of this meeting this year will be the election of the new Club officers for the 1982-1983 term. This is an important meeting for the Membership. The meeting is open for general discussion about the Club, and the members are invited and encouraged to offer suggestions and recommendations for programs and activities, or just to ask any questions about the organization and functioning of the Club.

It's your Club, regardless of your length of membership, and your presence is strongly encouraged.

AFFILIATE MEMBER, JOHN YOUNG SCIENCE CENTER



MEMBERSHIP: As has been noted in previous newsletters, one of the goals of the Club is to strive to retain its current membership from year to year, as well as to attract new members, whether beginners or established collectors. Since August, 1981, the following new members have joined and are welcomed to the Central Florida Stamp Club:

Mr. Donald Jarvis

Mr. C. Gay Farmer

Mr. Paul Axford

Mrs. Elsie Harrelson

Mr. Sidney Weinberg

Mr. John W. Young

It is a pleasure to announce that 16 new members have joined the Club this year bringing our total active membership to 88. A revised membership roster will be published and available at the January 21st meeting, incorporating all new members since January, 1981.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER: It is recognized that many members would prefer not to have addresses and telephone numbers published on a roster. At the last Board of Directors meeting in October the entire subject of the feasibility of publishing an annual member roster was discussed at length. Pros and cons were thoroughly considered. Without going into great length, it was approved that an annual roster would continue to be published. However, there will be modifications henceforth. First, a roster of all members' names and collecting interest will continue as is presently done. However, with regard to address and telephone number, it was approved that any member may have either or both deleted from the roster. But the Secretary will continue to maintain one master roster with all names, addresses, and telephone numbers, for the obvious reason of mailing correspondence, telephone contact if necessary, and for Club historical records.

Therefore, it is requested that each member consider one of the following options for the new roster:

1. Retain both address and telephone number, as is.
2. Delete both address and telephone number.
3. Retain address and delete telephone number.
4. Delete address and retain telephone number.
5. Substitute Post Office Box for other mailing address, if you have a P.O. Box.

The new roster will be published and available for the Annual Meeting on January 21st. Therefore, the Secretary must have your decision no later than January 15, 1982.

Please advise me either: at the first meeting in January (Jan 7); or please use the pre-addressed envelope with a note inside. (postal cards not recommended). If no response is received by January 15, it will be assumed no change is desired.

If you have had a recent change of address, ZIP code, or telephone number, I would like to be advised in order to keep the master roster current.

Remember - No later than January 15, 1982, please.



SUNPEX '81: The exhibition and bourse was held on December 5th and 6th. From all indications it was extremely successful and enjoyable. So many Club members contributed their time and efforts to setting up the bourse, preparing exhibits, and handling Club Table duties, there is not enough space to thank each one individually. As the General Chairman of the Show, and for the Club President, a 'Thank You' to all who contributed. We can now look forward to next year's SUNPEX '82 as bigger and better.

A portion of the program of the first meeting on January 7th will be a presentation of awards to exhibitors. If you displayed an exhibit, please try to attend this meeting. Likewise, let's have a good turnout of all members to express our appreciation.

One last item. For those of you who might be interested, the door prize, a \$5.00 Hamilton, donated by Michael Rogers, was won by Dr. Verner Bohne, who, I'm sure many of you remember gave a talk to the Club a few months ago on Fakes, Forgeries, and Altered Stamps.

UPCOMING SHOWS: The Club has been notified of the following shows in Florida in the coming months:

January 16, 1982. Stamp Exhibition & Bourse. By West Florida Stamp Club. To be held at St. Simon Episcopal Church, Hgwy 98, Fort Walton Beach, FL. Admission free. Hours 10:00 a.m. to 5:00p.m.

January 23 & 24, 1982, STAUGPEX '82. Stamp Exhibition & Bourse. Hours 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission free. At the Lightner Museum Building, 75 King Street, St. Augustine, Florida. Show cancel available.

February 12, 13, 14, SARAPEX '82. Stamp Exhibition and Bourse. By Sarasota Philatelic Club. To be held at Exhibition Hall, 801 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, Florida. Admission free. Hours are: Friday & Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Show cancel available.

NEW MEMBERS: At the Registration Table at the Show a large number of persons who are collectors or are just beginning, but not a member of a stamp club, expressed an interest in becoming a member. They were given an information sheet and invited to attend a meeting in the near future. So, probably in January and February we may see an influx of prospective new members. As you know, one of the main reasons we have a Club Table is to promote the Stamp Club and increase the membership.

Therefore, a request to all our members. At a meeting if you see a person who appears to be coming in for the first time, why not take the initiative and go and greet the person, introduce yourself, and ask him or her to join you where you are sitting. You know from experience when you go somewhere for the first time, if you are greeted and made to feel welcome, it promotes good will. There's nothing worse than to go into a meeting room and be left standing there, not knowing anyone, and being left to do for yourself. First impressions are the lasting impressions. Let's make all visitors really feel welcome to a Club that we are proud of.

CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY PARTY: The Annual Family Christmas/Holiday Party will be held on Thursday, December 17, 1981, starting at 7:30 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Jane Morrison, who again has graciously offered her



home for this party. This is the final meeting of the year and is the Club's annual social get-together for holiday foods, punch, coffee, tea, and friendly conversation, most likely philatelic in nature. It is a very pleasant evening and as many members as possible are encouraged to come.

By tradition and custom we request all attending to bring some cake, cookies, candy, nuts, or any other holiday goodies you desire. We all look forward to those special home-made recipes some of you have. In addition, the Club will be providing the beverages, breads, a cheese and meat platter, light snacks, and the other items such as napkins, plates, cups, etc.

We also will have a voluntary exchange of Christmas philatelic gifts, of a nominal value, on the same basis as in past years, one-for-one. If you bring one, you receive one.

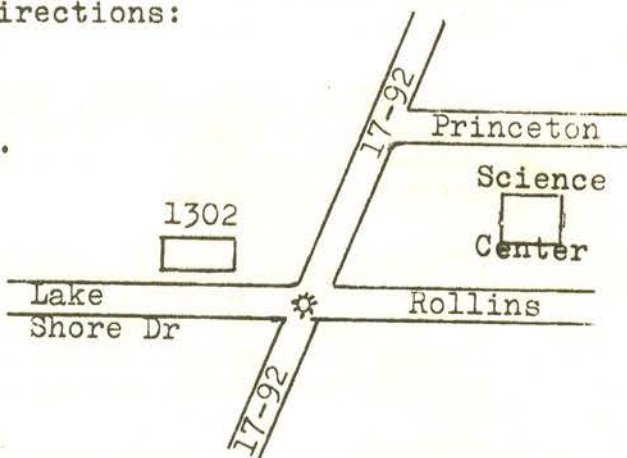
Family members are invited to attend and are welcome. The party committee has been working hard these past weeks and a fine evening is guaranteed. So, Come One, Come All.

Directions to Mrs. Morrison's home. It's about one minute from our regular meeting place at the Science Center. The address is 1302 Lake Shore Drive. Here's a sketch map and directions:

When coming from Orlando on 17-92, turn right on Lake Shore Dr at the traffic signal. 1st house on right.

When coming from Winter Park on 17-92, turn left on Lake Shore Dr at the traffic signal. 1st house on right.

If coming down Rollins, straight through the intersection to 1st house on right.



Plenty of parking is available in the driveway or on either side of Lake Shore Drive. See you all there!

REMINDERS TO MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

THURSDAY, DEC 17, CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY PARTY

THURSDAY, JAN 7, 1st MEETING OF 1982; AWARDS PRESENTATIONS

FRIDAY, JAN 15, LAST DAY FOR ROSTER INFORMATION

THURSDAY, JAN 21, ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING(Election of Officers)

DUES ARE DUE

Warm regards to all and sincerest best wishes to you and yours for a most joyous and happy holiday season.

*Howard F. Leavitt*  
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Secretary