

# CENTRAL FLORIDA STAMP CLUB

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DEDICATED TO THE ENJOYMENT, ENTERTAINMENT, & EXCITEMENT OF STAMP COLLECTING.

Dear Fellow Club Members,

Our sincere thanks and gratitude to each of you who worked at the **FINAL FLOREX** at the Orlando ExpoCentre on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th of November. Without your outstanding help the show would have paled into insignificance. Your assistance in setting up the frames, mounting the exhibits into the frames, manning the childrens area, manning the club table, dis-mounting the exhibits and getting them ready to return to their owners, taking the boxed exhibits to the Post Office for mailing, and just plain "gofer-ing" is what it was all about. What a lot of work by a great and grand group of dedicated Club Members. Mr. Phil Stager, General Chairman, and our Mr. Phil Fettig, Co-Chairman, have asked me to pass their thanks to all of you for another great and pleasant weekend of stamping. It is, indeed, a shame that the Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs, Inc., and its FLOREX are now in the past. But they did go out in a blaze of glory.

If any of you took the opportunity to examine the Florida Postal History Society's magnificent Court of Honor exhibit of Florida Postal History at the **FINAL FLOREX**, you will be happy to learn that the exhibit (all 240 pages) and probably other pages that were not included in the exhibit are to be scanned and stored on disk and a publication in color of "the whole thing" will become available in the future. The publishing details are not yet known and the cost has not been determined - but it will be available for purchase by those interested. We will advise when it is available.

**THURSDAY, 16 DECEMBER 1999.** Our Annual **HOLIDAY PARTY** will be held in the Oak Room of the Orange County Senior Recreation Complex. We plan to start arriving at about **6:30 P.M.** to set up, etc., with dinner commencing about **7.00 P.M.** As announced previously, we will again be honored by being served John D. Shirley's famous Tennessee Turkey, Tennessee Dressing and Tennessee Gravy. To accompany those goodies, each family is requested to bring a complementary covered dish, salad or dessert (some of those sinfully delicious "fat pills"). **UMM, UMM, GOOD.** The club will provide plates, plastic tableware, napkins, table cloths, hot and cold cups, etc. If you use a sweetener other than sugar for your coffee or tea, please bring your own brand.

The Club has received a check for \$1,500.00 from the American Philatelic Society for more than our share of the profits from sale of souvenir cards and covers and other items at **AMERICAS '99**. Again, our many thanks to each of you who worked that show in any capacity.

The 2000 Annual Program will accompany this letter. However, if you were at the Thursday, 18 November 1999, meeting, you received a copy and your address label has a green dot on it. Therefore a copy of the program will not be included with your letter.

The traditional Annual Club Donation Auction is scheduled for Thursday, 6 January 2000. This is your opportunity to continue to be generous after the Holiday Season! All proceeds to the Club Treasury. It is requested that all donation lots have a \$2.00 minimum bid (same as open auctions). We will also have a Reserve Auction with the usual \$2.00 minimum.

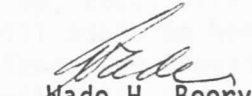
Our Annual Business Meeting will be held on Thursday, 20 January 2000, and will consist of officers reports (get them written guys!), nominations and election of directors (who will in turn elect the officers) for the years 2000-2001. Please let us know if you are willing to serve.

The ANNUAL CENTRAL FLORIDA STAMP CLUB **SUNPEX EXHIBITION** has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, 20 and 21 May 2000 in conjunction with the Winter Park Stamp Show to be held at the Maitland Civic Center. We will use 30 of the Club's 9-page wood exhibit frames. Can we count on you for your support. Do you want to hold a 30 frame exhibit of one frame exhibits only, or otherwise? Let us know. You may not be aware that it was the SUNPEX held in 1985 at the Orlando ExpoCentre that convinced the Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs, Inc. to move its FLOREX to the Orlando ExpoCentre in 1986 because they liked the facilities available and the FLOREX has been held there every year since - a total of 14 FLOREXes that this club has participated in as "host club". Mighty oaks do indeed grow from small acorns.

Mr. John D. Shirley, Club Treasurer, is most agreeable to start collecting year 2000 dues at this time. The dues remain at \$12.00 per year; \$6.00 per year for Junior Members. He has requested that payments mailed in or given to him at meetings be by check until after the New Year begins.

With warmest regards to all of you and sincere best wishes for a most happy and joyous holiday season, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
Wade H. Beery  
Secretary