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The Cover Story

**My Personal “Bad Luck” Stamp
Scott 241 - \$1.00 Columbian**



Figure A1
A stunning example of a very pretty stamp.



Figure A2
The problem is obvious — after a water bath!

Program Schedule (Dec/Jan/Feb)

December — The first meeting on 12.07.17 will have Robert Fisher presenting on “A History of FLOREX Souvenirs”. The second meeting on 12.21.17 will be the event of the year, which is of course the Holiday Gathering Pot Luck. Come one — Come all. Doors open at 6pm, dinner is served no later than 6:30pm.

January — The first meeting on 01.04.18 will have the return of the well known — Club Donation Auction. The second meeting on 01.18.18 will be the Annual Membership Meeting that is required by our By-Laws. This meeting will involve voting for the next Board of Directors along with discussion. *Please note that dues for 2018 must be paid to be a member in good standing and participate in the events of 2018.*

February — The first meeting on 02.01.18 will have Newton Kulp giving a report on his attendance at the special APS show of UN material held in Bellefonte earlier this fall. The second meeting of the month on 02.15.18 will have the combined effort of A. Stephen Patrick and Stephen L. Strobel presenting on Florida Revenue Stamps. (Think Citrus Revenue material!)

BoD meeting for 2018; 01.18, 03.29, 05.31, 08.30 & 10.25(?)

November Meetings Recap

The first meeting of the month started with 11 for dinner and conversation. There was a nice crowd of 39 for the cried auction. A. Stephen Patrick worked his way through a total of 52 lots; 33 that sold for a total of \$624. Thank you to Team David, Jim Archbold, Newton Kulp and Robert Fisher for making the auction run smoothly.

The second meeting of November started off with 15 for dinner. A large crowd of 47 folks signed in for the informative and interesting presentation by Henry Jehan. The silent auction sold 22 lots for \$286.

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. The record attendance for dinner is 17 — if we can break that number someone will get a free dinner. If you need directions or more information call Francis at 407.493.0956.

Event Calendar 2018

CFSC-Winter One Day	February 10
CFSC-Spring One Day	April 7
SUNPEX 2018	June 9-10
FSDA Fall Show	September 15-16
FLOREX 2018	Nov. 30, Dec 1 & 2

For more info: www.FloridaStampShows.com

Returning Members x 2

Albert Nagy of Orlando and Don Orser from Sanford have returned to our club roster after a couple of years absence. Welcome back!

After Glow

There are no After Glow sessions scheduled in December. The schedule will resume January of 2018.

Holiday Pot Luck Dinner

Remember to place December 21st on your schedule for our annual wing-ding. The doors open at 6:00pm sharp and dinner will be served no later than 6:30pm with the festivities to start around 7:15pm. Be there or be missed! A. Stephen & Linda Patrick are delighted to act as the coordinators of this event. Forest Smith is once again providing logistical support for the hardware. Please keep in mind that a well rounded selection of pot-luck items is hoped for.

FLOREX 2017 Info

Thank you to — one and all that helped to make the event a smooth running show. Your efforts are noted and deeply appreciated. Of special note, Ann Dowrick received the Chairman’s Service Award for her many years of dedication helming the reception desk. The Lady in Purple will be very much missed. Also of note, Mike Schumacher received the 2017 Outstanding Contributor Award for service to the show. Please congratulate both of these individuals when you see them.

Writers Needed....Like Always

Again the Editor makes a plea for 2018 that the bit-bucket of articles will never be empty. Please consider spending a little time and maybe writing up something in your collection that would be of interest to others. If you need assistance, just ask — any of us are more than willing to help. This newsletter survives on the content that comes from the readers who are the membership of the CFSC.

Quoted

“Everyone, at some time or another, sits down to a banquet of consequences.”

Robert Louis
Stevenson
[1850-1894]

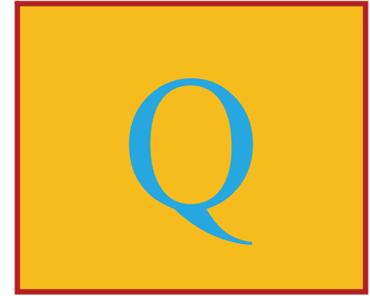
British novelist, poet, essayist & travel writer.



President's Message by Francis Ferguson The Question

Can you predict the future? I can't even begin to guess as to what the days ahead promise. I am much better at predicting the past — go figure!

You will note that this issue (insert C) of *The Philatelic Missive* has two interesting takes on “the question”. So much of what happens in life is unexpected in ways one can't anticipate. My involvement at the level of running a WSP show falls exactly into that area. I have little doubt that my asking “the question” of Phil Fettig has led me in this direction. If I had not asked the question — what would have occurred? One will never know.



The point of these two articles is to make everyone aware that volunteering is an important part of the world of philately — no matter what level you decide to serve at. Many hands make tasks easier and more manageable.

My involvement with FLOREX has an end date of December 5, 2021 as does my direct involvement with the CFSC. I plan to step away from the management of the CFSC after one more term on the BoD; that end date is January 16, 2020.

As 2017 fads out and the prospects of 2018 are on the horizon, I would like to extend a hearty “thank you” to everyone in the CFSC who gives of their time and energy to serve a greater good. I hope for a better tomorrow, filled with interesting stamps and enough quality time to “work” with them.

Serendipity — XXXVI by The Editor

History Found.....

Things turn up in strange ways. This cover was handed to me by a fellow member of the CFSC recently. Stan Brodersen had found it while exploring a box of philatelic driftwood. While this is not the oldest hard evidence of the CFSC it is certainly a pretty cover! There are no extra markings on the back of the cover, or any information as to the illustrator. I find it interesting to note the selection of the 3 cent green stamp commemorating the statehood of Nevada. It was a curious selection until the big tree on the left side of the stamp came into focus — which seems to play off the tree noted in the cover cachet. With no sending address this cover

was either a handback courtesy service or it was enclosed in a mailing envelope to protect it.



My guess is —handback service of which the philatelic friendly staff at the Christmas Post Office was well known for.

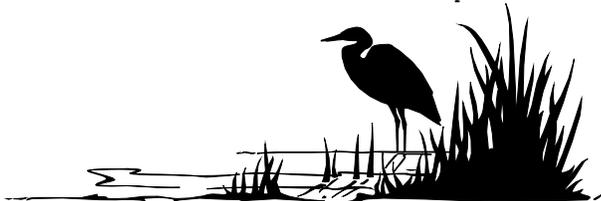
How many other pieces of our history are waiting to be found?

Time will tell!

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 \$25 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 nearly 20 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 8:10 Followed by auction wrap up and informal discussions. We must be out of the building by 9:00 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, a monthly bourse buy/sell 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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