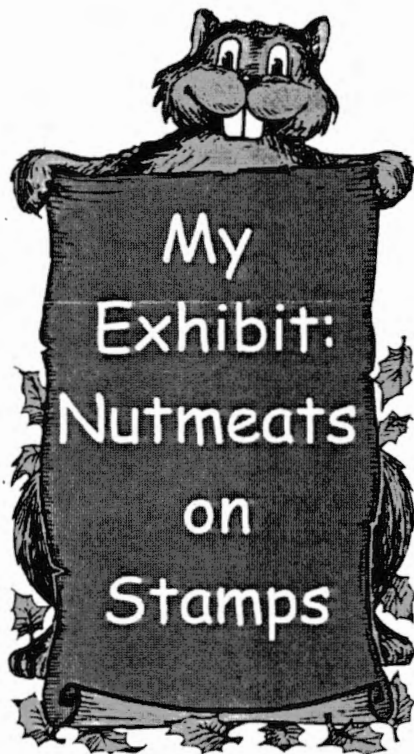


# CLOTHESPEX 98

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The Tallahassee Stamp & Cover Club just finished its third annual CLOTHESPEX program. It was a rousing success, with 29 entries showing a wide variety of types of collections and materials. This program introduces members to other collecting interests and teaches them how to create an exhibit. We also photocopied the exhibits to use in a promotional exhibit that our club will display at local public activities. Special thanks to Rick Allen of Durra-Quick Print.

## *The Program*

The CLOTHESPEX program is a showing of one-page exhibits at a regular monthly club meeting. One side of an 8 ½ x 11-inch page is one exhibit. Our club provided clear page protectors, clothesline, and clothespins. Members of our club who have exhibited nationally gave advice, encouragement, and support to all, as we tried to get every member of the club to enter at least one exhibit.

## *Playing the Game*

Our club Scoutmaster, John Yeatman, strings the clothesline around the room. Clothespins are distributed and the exhibits are hung from the line, in no particular order.

Next we put a number tag on each entry. Everybody at the meeting gets a ballot and a pencil to vote for first, second, and third places. There are no criteria for voting; it is strictly personal preference.

When the votes are tallied (a 1st place vote = 3 points; 2nd place = 2 pts.; 3rd place = 1 pt.), prizes can be given out. We gave ribbons plus small packets of philatelic items/supplies. Louis Gagnon won first place with his display of "Rural America." Ken Miller received second place with his stamp/currency/coin combo. Bruce McDonald took third with his "Belize Butterflies."

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