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1972 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS

FLORIDA

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We Should Exercise Our Right To Vote In Elections This Fall

By Larry Benson

Before I am inundated with reminders, I realize we don't have a "presidential election" this year. But, the above cover does remind us to exercise our voting rights by casting ballots during the other federal, state and local elections.

This cover promoted Richard Nixon's candidacy for a second term. He was first elected in 1968, reelected in 1972 and resigned in 1974 because of the Watergate scandal.

The remaining elections in Florida will be held on **Thursday**, **October 1**, and on Tuesday, No-

vember 3. The October date is on a <u>Thursday</u> because election laws mandate a certain number of days

In the **POSTROAD** Ahead

SEP. 8 - Bring Stamps to Sell!

OCT. 13 - "CLOTHESPEX"
Stamp Exhibit by Members

NOV. 10 - "This Is YOUR Life" by Larry Benson

DEC. 8 - Christmas Party

Meetings 7:30 p.m. at Senior Center Corner of N. Monroe & 7th Ave.

must be allowed between elections.

The illustrated cover is franked with the eight cent definitive issue of May 10, 1971 (Sc# 1338G). A coil, the stamp was printed on a Multicolor Huck Press and perfed 10 vertically.

It is postmarked 2 PM (a practice no longer used) on March 14, 1972 in Tallahassee, FL and bears a pictorial cancel saying "Employ the Handicapped / Ability Counts."

The eagle cachet is printed in bright China red ink with the word FLOR-IDA added below in black.

SPECIAL TOUR FOR TALLAHASSEE STAMP AND COVER CLUB *

June or July 1999

Arranged by Tallahassee Travel & Tours

Tentative Schedule

- **DAY 1:** Depart Tallahassee area heading to North Carolina. Overnight in a local hotel.
- **DAY 2:** Overnight in Pennsylvania for the next three nights. You'll enjoy a professional show at the Mountain Playhouse later that night.
- **DAY 3:** While in the state of Pennsylvania you'll visit area attractions, such as APS Headquarters, a Railroad Museum and do some other local sightseeing including time you will spend touring the Amish Country.
- **DAY 4:** Tour the City of Pittsburgh and its many intriguing sights with a step-on guide. Included in the city tour will be Phipps Conservatory which has 13 glass display rooms featuring lush tropical palms and orchids, ferns and desert plants.
- **DAY 5:** Depart for Williamsburg, VA. Along the way, visit Thomas Jefferson's home, Monticello, outside Charlottesville, VA.
- **DAY 6:** Tour Jamestown settlement and Williamsburg. Head towards Tallahassee after lunch.

DAY 7: Arrive Tallahassee.

Estimated per person cost for the tour including six nights lodging, quality motor coach, those attractions listed, breakfast and supper each day:

Single: \$720 Double: \$550

Triple and Quad prices will be available when the tour is finalized.

- \$50 deposit required for booking and full payment would be due 30 days prior to trip departure.
 - * (And members of other area stamp clubs who want to join the Tour.)

Club Sponsored Youth Night Held In July A Great Success

Tallahassee Stamp and Cover Club sponsored its first "Youth Night" during the July 14 meeting and it was an unqualified success. A total of 19 youngsters crowded around five "stations" to talk to members, ask questions and learn about stamp collecting.

Just about 30 minutes before the meeting was to start, the skies opened up and it rained "cats and dogs." Some members thought the rain probably would cut down attendance or even stop the young people and their parents from coming at all. But the downpour didn't get in the way as damp, wet and soaking young-sters arrived stamping their feet and shaking the rain out of their umbrellas.

Members staffed five stations where the kids could observe various facets of stamp collecting. Upon arrival, youngsters were welcomed and asked to register their attendance. They were given tickets for door prizes which were drawn later in the evening during the break for cookies and soft drinks.

Hands-On Experiences at Stations

The other stations offered some "hands-on" experiences about sources where stamps can be found, soaking and hinging stamps, cataloging and identifying stamps, various ways to store and protect their collection and the final result with members showing their albums. Before leaving at the end of the evening, each kid was given a packet containing a beginner's album, packets of stamps, brochures and how to materials.

Contributing to the success of the program were supplies and materials donated by Linn's Stamp News, APS and the American Association of Stamp Dealers.

Plans are underway to hold a "Second Annual Youth Night" next year. Lessons learned during this first attempt will help our Club to be more successful in future years. For example, arranging the room a little differently may allow youngsters to have even more "close up and personal" contact with members..

Also, perhaps having Youth Night earlier in the summer, maybe in mid-June just as school is letting out but before kids go off to camp or on vacation, will attract a larger number of youngsters. Whatever we do, next year will have to go some to be better than our first Youth Night!



WALTERS

Our Club received a nice card from the Leon County Library thanking us for the July display. Thanks to Ken Miller and Ralph Hager for setting that up. Several contacts about stamps and Club membership have been made because of the Library display and the article written by Don Plaskett published in the Tallahassee Democrat.

July Youth Night

Our July program for youth in the community was really great. We had lots of fun talking and sharing with potential stamp collectors. There was so much energy! Or am I just getting old? It would be great if someone would take those 19 oungsters and start a "satellite" ---youth club.

"Mini" Show Program

I am also excited about our "mini" stamp show program scheduled for our October 13 meeting. I am even thinking about doing a page myself. We certainly want to have copies of the exhibits made so we can use them in future displays.

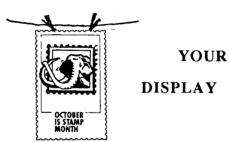
Let's be thinking about our Christmas Party in December. We need some good ideas.

The Club is indeed fortunate to have a top notch editor. Thanks, Larry, for all the good work. There is so much talent in our Club! We have accomplished much, but we have more to accomplish. Keep up the good work and I'll see you at the next meeting.

"CLOTHESPEX" Displays Scheduled For October

TS&CC will hold its Second Annual "CLOTHESPEX" at our regularly scheduled October 13th Club meeting. We had 26 one page displays "hung on the line" at our November 1997 meeting and we're hoping for more this year.

Members are encouraged to prepare one or more 8 1/2 by 11 inch pages showing their favorite stamps, covers or other philatelic material. A simple text of two or three lines telling about what's on your page(s) will make your display more attractive. It's a good idea to put your page(s) in sheet protectors if you have them. If not, the Club will have a supply at the meeting for your use.



Like last year, members' displays will be hung on a "clothesline" strung around the meeting room. Judges will then select three winners from among those exhibited.

The Club hopes to have color photocopies made which can be used for future displays in the community. In this way, members will not have to have their albums or collections out of their sight while they are on exhibit somewhere. Ken Miller will give us more details about copying display pages. So, start making up your page(s) now!

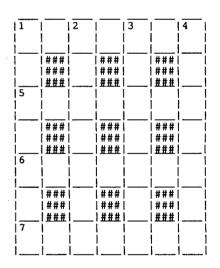
Members Place Display in Library

Ralph Hager and Ken Miller arranged to have a stamp display placed in the Leon County Library during the entire month of July 1998. They mounted stamps, albums and other philatelic items in one of the Library's glass display cases near the Reference Desk on the second floor.

A professional-looking card was standing on top of the case which gave credit to TS&CC for providing the display. The Club received a card of thanks from Library staff for providing this display as a service to the community.

STAMP CROSSWORD

By Rene Manes



Across

Down

- 1. West African Nation- capital is Lagos.
- 5. Spanish exclamation! Astonishment!
- 6. Stamp condition causing loss in value.
- 7. Chessman starting in 2nd row; 2 words.
- 1. Capital of Mediterranean isle of Cyprus.
- 2. Deutschland.
- 3. Balkan nation; currency banis & leu.
- 4. Boy with magic lamp.

Answers appear on page 4

Members Are Reminded to Submit Articles to The Postscript

It's time once again to remind, nay urge, TS&CC members to submit articles for publication in their newsletter, *The Postscript*.

No matter your age, your collecting interests, or the level of your expertise, articles are always welcome. We have had some really interesting and educational articles in the past by Club members. Don Plaskett, David Wike, Don Smith, Bill DeGrove, Ed Walters, Rene Manes, Bruce McDonald and Mike Francis among others have been published.

Perhaps, you are "too shy" or think no one would be interested in anything you have to say. **Not true!** Remember all of the great presentation we have had at our meetings over the past few years? If you can talk, you can write! It's the same thing, just put your words on paper. You don't have to be able to type to send in a manuscript. Print or write legibly and be sure to include your name so I can contact you if I have questions

A one page article, double spaced, is about 300 words. Surely most of our members can write a short article about their collections, favorite cover, unusual stamps, lucky stamp finds, why they collect what they do, or even something that is puzzling them. Perhaps an answer will be forthcoming in a follow-up article or from a knowledgeable member at the next Club meeting.

I try to attend every meeting so if you have questions, suggestions or an article for publication (hooray!) just let me know. But, be careful, I might just "hug you to death!"

L.B.

Welcome New Members

We welcome the following new members: Richard Faust, Matthew Gowens, John Haggerty, Bob Hargrave, Martha Swearinger and William Terranova. Membership is now at an all time high with 77 active members!

"Se-Tenant" - When more than one stamp or a group of different stamps of a like subject are joined together to complete a picture.

Answers to Crossword

Across

Down

- 1. Nigeria
- Nicosia
 Germany
- 5. Caramba!6. Stained
- 3. Rumania
- 7. Any pawn
- 5. Rumania
- 7. Tilly par
- 4. Aladdin

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