
Friday, January 22 **9:30-10:30 AM Eastern Standard Time** **SNSE Session #1**
BRITISH CARIBBEAN PHILATELIC STUDY GROUP - GENERAL MEETING
John Seidl, john.seidl@gmail.com , www.bcpsg.com

Friday, January 22 **11:00-12:00 AM Eastern Standard Time** **SNSE Session #2**
PREXIE ERA COMMITTEE
UNITED STATES STAMP SOCIETY - GENERAL MEETING
Moderator - Jeffrey Shapiro coverlover@gmail.com
Coordinator - Prexie-Era Committee, Collector, Writer, Speaker, Exhibitor, Judge

Friday, January 22 **12:30-1:30 PM Eastern Standard Time** **SNSE Session #3**
U.S. PHILATELIC CLASSICS SOCIETY – Presentation

“Dual-Nation Stamp Taxes of the U.S. Civil War Era, 1862-1883”

Michael Mahler

This presentation shows documents from the era of Civil War U.S. documentary taxation, 1862–1883, bearing stamps of both the U.S. and other nations/states/provinces, and explains how they occurred. Examples will be shown bearing stamps of Canada (Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, and Quebec, as well as the Dominion of Canada), Cuba, Denmark, France, Germany (States of Brunswick, North German Confederation and Prussia), Great Britain and New Zealand. All are visual treats, with stamps of radically different types juxtaposed. Such combinations are generally exceedingly rare: seven shown here are unique; for six others no more than five have been recorded.

Dr. Mahler has garnered gold medals for a dozen different fiscal history displays, notably on California’s “Gold Rush” revenues; Civil War era use of Federal and State revenue stamps in Nevada; Oregon Insurance stamps; bonds of the Gilded Age showing New York’s Bond Taxes of 1911–20; legal and illegal usages of Proprietary, Playing Cards, and Private-Die stamps of the Civil War era; U.S. First Issue ultramarines; Florida in the Civil War era; Whaling during the Civil War era; and the cotton industry during Reconstruction. He is the author of more than fifty articles on fiscal history, most often in *The American Revenuer*, also *State Revenue News*, *Scripophily*, *Western Express*, *The American Philatelist* and *The Chronicle* of the USPCS. He was awarded the 2000 U.S. Philatelic Classics Society Elliott Perry Cup, the 1993 USPCS Carroll Chase Cup and 1994 American Philatelic Congress Colby award.

Friday, January 22 **2:00-3:00 PM Eastern Standard Time** **SNSE Session #4**
CUBAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA - GENERAL MEETING
Leader: Arturo A. Codina, President of the CPSA
CPSA Website: www.cubapsa.com
Leader's email: (flagator71@bellsouth.net)

Friday, January 22 **3:30-4:30 PM Eastern Standard Time** **SNSE Session #5**
AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY - TOWN HALL MEETING
Scott English, Executive Director

Saturday, January 23 **9:30-10:30 AM Eastern Standard Time** **SNSE Session #6**
PREXIE ERA COMMITTEE of UNITED STATES STAMP SOCIETY - Presentation
"The Versatile One-and-one-half Cent Prexie"
Bob Hohertz, prexie@northfieldmail.com

We didn't have a one-and-one-half President, and it wouldn't have been Martha Washington if we had, so why issue the Martha Washington one-and-one-half cent Prexie? What rates required it, and what one-and-one-half cent rates came into being later? A look at a common, versatile stamp.

Bob has been collecting Prexie covers for more than a quarter-century. By now he has begun to learn something about them, and has written the second, third and fourth class chapters in the recent Prexie Era book of essays. His one frame exhibit of the one-and-one-half cent Prexie has won several one frame Grands.

Saturday, January 23 **11:00-12:00 AM Eastern Standard Time** **SNSE Session #7**
BRITISH CARIBBEAN PHILATELIC STUDY GROUP - Presentation
"First Flights of the British West Indies"
John Seidl, john.seidl@gmail.com

An overview of first flight airmail service into and out of the islands of the British West Indies. Highlights will include the various carriers from the USA, the Caribbean and South America. Also, the role of Charles Lindbergh in the late 1920s. We'll feature sample covers to support the story.

John Seidl is the President of the BCPSG and a life-long collector of stamps and postal history. While his focus is on the Cayman Islands John is also the President of the International Society of Worldwide Stamp Collectors and is an avid collector of everything philatelic.

Saturday, January 23

12:30-1:30 PM Eastern Standard Time

SNSE Session #8

FLORIDA POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY - GENERAL MEETING

Vernon Morris, Florida Postal History Society President (doctorcoverdude@gmail.com)

Saturday, January 23

2:00-3:00 PM Eastern Standard Time

SNSE Session #9

FLORIDA POSTAL HISTORY SOCIETY – Two presentations

“Military Assistant Surgeon’s Letter from Fort Lauderdale – 1840”

Steve Kennedy - skennedy@paphs.org

Description – We will discover a portal into the life of Dr. Ellis J. Hughes from Baltimore, MD. This letter was written to his sister and cousin while he was assigned to Fort Lauderdale E. F. in 1840. The letter was carried by military dispatch to St. Augustine where it was postmarked for delivery to Annapolis, MD. Dr. Hughes was a prolific writer and maintained a daily diary during his time in Florida. We will also learn why it became necessary for Dr. Hughes to resign his commission and return to private life

Biography - Steve Kennedy has been collecting postal history for over 25 years. He is the President and Webmaster of the Pennsylvania Postal History Society. He is also a member of the Florida, New Jersey, and Georgia Postal history Societies. Since moving to Riviera Beach, he has decided to explore Florida's social postal history relating to military forts used during the Second Seminole War era.

AND immediately followed by

“Florida Fiscal History, 1865-1872”

Michael Mahler

Florida’s classic fiscal history – the study of its revenue-stamped documents from the period of broad Civil War taxes, 1865-1872 – is a rarely seen facet of its philatelic history, complementing its postal history. Rarely seen, because these documents are practically nonexistent: a census over four decades numbers only about fifty. Yet the surviving documents exhibit an amazing diversity of origins, with 22 recorded to date. Documents are arranged here by origin, circumnavigating clockwise within four regions: Atlantic Coast (Fernandina south to Palatka); Gulf Coast (Gulf Hammock northwest to Barrancas); Northern Panhandle (Marianna east to Live Oak); North Central (Gainesville, Micanopy, Ocala); with Key West appended.

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Saturday, January 23 3:30-4:30 PM Eastern Standard Time SNSE Session #10

CUBAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY OF AMERICA - Presentation

"The Cubanas Special Design US Administration Issues for Cuba – Alegorias 1899 – 1910"

Juan L Farah, jlfarah@bellsouth.net

The presentation is about the US Bureau of Engraving designed and printed for use in Cuba during the US administration of the island after the conclusion of the Spanish American War. It addresses the design of the stamps, the actual images used for designing the stamps and postal uses. In addition, the subsequent re-engraved issues from the American Bank Note are discussed and the differences between them discussed.

Juan L, Farah has an MSEE degree from the University of Miami. Philatelically he is a member of the Cuban Philatelic Society of America and the Royal Philatelic Society, amongst others. He has exhibited nationally and internationally and won several awards, including Gold at the New York International and the Grand Award at Sarasota National Exhibit. His collection interests are Great Britain Penny Red Stars and the subject of this presentation. He has written various articles on the Special Design Issues for Cuba.

Sunday, January 24 9:30-10:30 AM Eastern Standard Time SNSE Session #11

"A Philatelic Quest for Everywhere" - Presentation

John Seidl, john.seidl@gmail.com

Like many stamp collectors, I started out with worldwide packets as a young boy. Unlike most stamp collectors, 50+ years later I still avidly collect worldwide: all years, all countries, all issues. While this may in fact be a bit crazed, there is a challenge that I know you will find much harder than you would first think: Collect one issue from every stamp issuing entity that has put forth stamps to move the mails. This session will discuss how to best approach and execute this quest in a really fun way.

John Seidl is the President of the BCPSG and a life-long collector of stamps and postal history. While his focus is on the Cayman Islands John is also the President of the International Society of Worldwide Stamp Collectors and is an avid collector of everything philatelic.

Sunday, January 24

11:00-12:00 AM Eastern Standard Time

SNSE Session #12

“Philatelic Estate Planning” – Presentation

John Seidl, john.seidl@gmail.com

A simple step by step guide on how to approach the disposal or passing on of your stamp collection as part of your estate planning process. What you should do before you go to maximize the ease of this process and the value to your family and our hobby. Considerations discussed will include how to describe your stamp collection, the potential value of donating all or part of the collection, selling options and how to create useful instructions and accurate expectations for your heirs.

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12:30-1:30 PM Eastern Standard Time

SNSE Session #13

U.S. PHILATELIC CLASSICS SOCIETY – Presentation

“US Penalty Clause Mail: The Classic Period 1877-1909”

Lester C. Lanphear III (LLanphear@earthlink.net)

US penalty clause mail started in 1877 and was the first such service in the world. In 1873 the US instituted Official stamps that the Government was required to use and pay for. By 1877 the various Government Departments forced the post office to come up with a way they could send mail without paying postage. They eliminated the requirement for official stamp use and replaced it with penalty clause mail. Official stamps were eliminated in July 1884 and penalty clause mail was used for over a hundred years. This presentation shows the highlights for the classic penalty mail period from 1877 to 1909 which has received two Grand Awards in addition to three International Gold Awards.

Lester C. Laphear III Biography

Les Lanphear III has been a continuous stamp collector since his grandfather gave him an album and some stamps when he was a youth. He began collecting US Officials and Penalty Clause Mail in 1975. He has published twenty articles, mostly on US Officials, and has received both the Neinken and McDonald Awards. He has also received the US Philatelic Classic Society Distinguished Philatelist Award. He is involved with various philatelic organizations both nationally and in Southern California.

Sunday, January 24 2:00-3:00 PM Eastern Standard Time SNSE Session #14

PREXIE ERA COMMITTEE of UNITED STATES STAMP SOCIETY - Presentation

“Prexie Postal History: Local letter uses”

Albert “Chip” Briggs

A tour of the surprisingly diverse and fascinating ways in which mail was delivered using the local letter rates of the Prexie Era.

Albert “Chip” Briggs is an incurable accumulator, collector, and exhibitor of Presidential Series postal history. He has written a number of articles and book chapters on the topic and received a Grand Award and participated in the APS Champion of Champions in 2014 with his ten-frame exhibit of domestic uses of the Presidential Series.

Sunday, January 24 3:30-5:00 PM Eastern Standard Time SNSE Session #15

EXHIBITION JUDGES FEEDBACK SESSION

Alan Warren, Exton, PA, *Chief*

Robert Hohertz, Northfield, MN

Tim Wait, Belvidere, IL