Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs Names 2017 Rowland Hill Award Winner

The Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs, representing stamp clubs in Georgia, Alabama, Maryland, Tennessee, North and South Carolina and Massachusetts, is pleased to announce the recipient of the **2017 Rowland Hill Award**. The award is named after Sir Rowland Hill, creator of the first postage stamp, and is awarded annually to a philatelist that has made an outstanding contribution to stamp collecting in the Southeast.

For 2017, the Federation proudly honors Roger P. Quinby, FRPSL, of Alpharetta, Georgia. Roger moved to Georgia from New York State in 2006. He has made tremendous contributions to the advancement of Philately in Greater Atlanta and Georgia in a short time.

Roger, as a past Vice President of the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs, served as a valued consultant to the members of the Southeastern Stamp Expo Organizing Committee, who were able to learn from his deep experience in organized philately. In 2008 he co-authored a report to the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs Board recommending that the show be moved from September to the winter. Later, Roger would be involved in the execution of this strategy where he played an integral role in finding new dates for the show and a new hotel venue. Roger, an attorney by profession, helped negotiate the contract with the hotel. Roger has supported the Southeastern Stamp Expo as a judge, an exhibitor and a financial contributor.

Immediately after moving to Georgia, Roger joined the Cobb County Stamp Club and served two terms as club Secretary. He has given several presentations on his areas of expertise and freely shared his considerable knowledge with club members.

Roger has participated in multiple youth activities with the Fulton County Library system where he has worked with youngsters interested in stamp collecting, and the Ebony Society for Philatelic Events and Reflections (ESPER), promoting the Black Heritage Stamp Series.

When the late William Ainsworth donated his philatelic library to the SEFSC, Roger inventoried the contents and marketed the material, with the proceeds going to the Federation to help cover show expenses.

At the National level, Roger's contributions to philately are among the most valued in the nation. He is a retired nationally accredited philatelic and literature judge, past president of the Scandinavian Collector's Club and served for ten years as the editor of *The Finnish Philatelist*, the quarterly research newsletter published by the Finnish Study group. The

newsletter was awarded a Gold Medal and Literature Grand Award for Philatelic Journals at Colopex in 2007.

Roger is recognized nationally and internationally as an exhibitor of the stamps and postal stationary of Finland. He has won a Large Vermeil at Australia 2013 with his "Finnish Railway to St. Petersburg," three International Gold Medal awards for his exhibit "Russian Currency Stamps Used in Finland," and a Gold Medal for "The Classic Postal Cards of Finland." Roger has served as an expertizer of the stamps of Finland for the APS. Roger recently published a catalogue and reference manual of postal censorship in Finland during WWI. This publication was awarded a Large Vermeil at Nordia 2015 held in Sweden. In 2014, Roger was elected a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society London.

Outside of his philatelic activities, Roger graduated from Brooklyn Law School in 1965, was admitted to New York State and Federal Bars and served as a law assistant in the New York City Civil Courts, Deputy Counsel and Director of Real Estate for the New York City Off-track Betting Corporation and then as Deputy Commissioner in the Office of General Services for New York State until his retirement in 1995. Roger is married and has three children and six grandchildren.

Roger will accept his award at the Southeastern Stamp Expo Award Ceremony on January 28, 2017.

Past recipients of the Rowland Hill Award

2005 Nancy B. Z. Clark

2006 Dr. William H. Waggoner

2007 Lt. Col (Ret) Robert Effinger

2008 Ed Jackson

2010 Douglas N. Clark

2013 Bruce Roberts

2014 Frank Crown

2015 Charles J. O'Brien III

2016 Dr. Thomas W. Broadhead

About the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs

The Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs is an organization representing 17 stamp clubs and societies in Georgia, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Massachusetts and Alabama which pool resources for a common goal of promoting and supporting stamp collecting activities and philatelic education in the southeastern region. Principal among these is the sponsorship and management of the annual Southeastern Stamp Expo, an APS World Series of Philately stamp show. The show will be held January 27 – 29th, 2017 at the Hilton Atlanta Northeast, 5993 Peachtree Industrial Blvd. Norcross, GA 30092.