

# The Chattanooga Stamp Chronicle

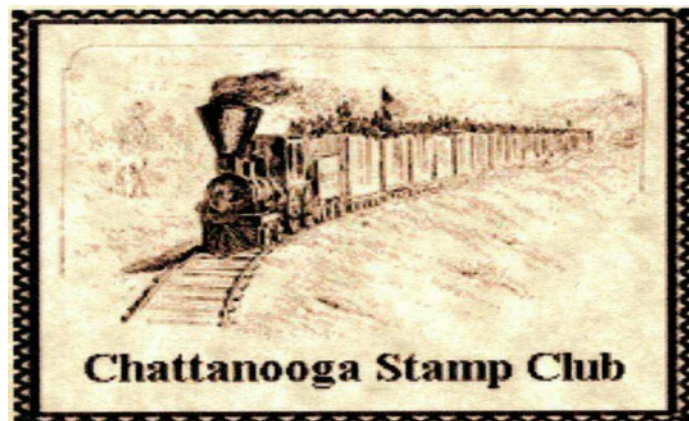
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## Official Journal of the Chattanooga Stamp Club

MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE HICKORY VALLEY CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 6605 SHALLOWFORD RD., CHATTANOOGA, TN.

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM, MEETING BEGINS AT 7:30 PM -- VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

May 12 ..... Monthly Meeting  
Program ..... Club Auction  
June 9 ..... Annual Picnic  
Location ..... Riverside Park - 5:00-7:00 p.m.

### CLUB OFFICERS

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### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Chattanooga Stamp Club memberships are on a calendar year basis. Yearly dues are \$10.00; send all monetary donations and membership dues to the club's Treasurer:

Mr. Carl Anderson, 919 Dunsinane Rd.  
Signal Mountain, TN 37377

### THE CHATTANOOGA STAMP CHRONICLE

The Chattanooga Stamp Club is affiliated with the American Philatelic Society. The club has been dedicated to the study, preservation, and promotion of the philatelic hobby since 1932.

### SOUTHEAST FEDERATION OF STAMP CLUBS

The Southeast Federation web site is a source for information about stamp collecting activities in the region. Visit at: [www.sefsc.org/federation-clubs.html](http://www.sefsc.org/federation-clubs.html)

### AMERICAN PHILATELIC SOCIETY

American Philatelic Society (APS) is the largest nonprofit stamp collecting Foundation of philately in the world., With about 32,000 members as of 2014 worldwide.

Visit at: [www.Stamps.org](http://www.Stamps.org).

### April Meeting Minutes

The Chattanooga Stamp Club called to order with Pledge of Allegiance at 7:30 PM by President Richard Barr.

19 members were present.

Minutes of the Previous meeting were read and approved.

Treasurers Report of \$1061.14 was read and accepted, with no outstanding checks.

24 members have paid their dues of \$10.00 for 2016, this is a Bargain, see Carl if you have not paid yet.

Our May meeting will be an Auction. Lots will start at \$1.00 minimum. Club members can bring an unlimited number of lots, and all visitors can purchase Stamps. Come early to bring your lots and look at the Circuit Book Offerings.

We Thank everyone for patronizing the Circuit Books as it offers a variety of Stamps for all Collectors.

As usual any lots left after the Auction can be purchased for the minimum bid.

Various ideas were talked about as a way to promote Stamp Collecting.

June will be our Annual Picnic. Signup Sheet will be at next meeting. Club will furnish meats ( Chicken)

A speaker and Topic is needed for August.

Looking ahead to Christmas we will have a potluck again as we did last year. More details to come later as we get closer to the Date of Dec. 8th.

Tom Matuszak



## Auction

The May program is the semi-annual auction. All members are invited to bring their duplicates and enter them in the auction. The minimum bid for all lots must be at least \$1.00. Only members may enter lots in the auction, however

anyone may bid in the auction. Auction cards are available. Come early to enter your lots in the auction.

The Chattanooga Stamp Club is now present on the Southeast Federation web site. See:

<[www.sefsc.org/chattanooga-stamp-club.html](http://www.sefsc.org/chattanooga-stamp-club.html)>

The web address for the Southeast Federation is:

<[www.sefsc.org/federation-clubs.html](http://www.sefsc.org/federation-clubs.html)>

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A good time was had by all at our one page exhibit competition. Unfortunately, a complete list of the winners of the exhibit is not available, so no partial list will be published.

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## BY-LAWS

Attached is a copy of proposed changes to the Bylaws. If you don't have a copy of the complete bylaws as updated in 2003, contact one of the club officers.

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The postage stamp is a flimsy thing  
No thicker than a beetle's wing,  
And yet it will roam the world for you  
Exactly where you tell it to.

- E.V. Lucas



## STAMP OF THE MONTH



An incredibly rare and valuable stamp stolen from a collector in 1955 resurfaced this month at a New York auction house, the AP reports. According to NPR, a printing accident in 1918 resulted in a sheet of 100 "inverted Jenny" stamps featuring an upside-down airplane. They're considered by experts to be the most famous stamps in America, each 24-cent square fetching hundreds of thousands of dollars at auction. In 1955, someone swiped four inverted Jennies from the collection of Ethel Stewart McCoy, whose father was a Dow Jones founder. It is "one of the most notorious crimes in philatelic history," according to an expert.

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## 2016 U.S. STAMP ISSUES



Shirley Temple  
April 18

USA Star  
April 28



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## UPCOMING SHOWS

### May 28 - June 4, 2016 World Stamp Show NY 2016

General World Philatelic Exhibition, Jacob Javits Convention Center, New York, New York, All Exhibiting Classes Accepted, Commissioners listed online, <http://www.ny2016.org>, [info@ny2016.org](mailto:info@ny2016.org)

### May 21-22, 2016 Stamp Dealer's Assoc. of Georgia

SDAG conducts their Greater Atlanta Bourses at the Mansour Center, 995 Roswell Street, Marietta, GA, 30060. Hours are 10 - 5 Saturday and 10 - 3 Sunday. Future shows are Sept. 17-18 and Nov. 19-20, 2016.

### June 4-5, 2016 HUNTSPEX 2016 Huntsville 2016 Stamp

and Postcard Show, Huntsville Philatelic Club, University of Alabama in Huntsville, Conference Training Center, 1410 Ben Graves Drive, Contact: Michael O'Reilly, [mcoreilly@att.net](mailto:mcoreilly@att.net), 256-527-4601, [www.stampshows.com/huntsville\\_hpc.html](http://www.stampshows.com/huntsville_hpc.html)

### September 24-25, 2016 MEMPHEX 2016 The Memphis

Stamp Collectors Society annual Stamp & Postcard Show, Agricenter International, 7777 Walnut Grove Road, Memphis Tennessee 38120, Dick Scott, 901-684-1929, [mcs.dickscott@gmail.com](mailto:mcs.dickscott@gmail.com)



## QUIZ

The first part of this quiz by Lewis Josephs\* appeared on the Syracuse Stamp Club page in the September–October 2015 issue of the Stamp Insider. Our thanks to the Stamp Insider for the use of this quiz!

1. Many of the stamps of South Africa were issued in set-tenant pairs, with one stamp in English and the other in the second of South Africa's official languages. What is that language?

2. When Hong Kong reverted to the People's Republic of China (PRC), the silhouette of Queen Elizabeth and other indications of British sovereignty were removed from Hong Kong stamps, which were subsequently inscribed "Hong Kong, China." In what year did this take place?

3. In the Scott catalogue system, what type of stamp is identified with the prefix PR?

4. Canadian collectors avidly seek the sixteen stamps of the beautifully engraved Jubilee Issue celebrating the sixtieth year of Queen Victoria's reign. In what year was this set issued?

5. In what Latin American country were stamps inscribed "Escuelas" or "Instruccion" valid for postage until 1895?

6. Germany produced two beautifully engraved watermarked souvenir sheets in 1936 to commemorate a global event in Berlin. What was that event?

7. This group of Pacific Islands was a British protectorate from 1900–1970. Its early stamps used a unique watermark of multiple turtles. What is this group of islands?

8. Until 1949 stamps of the Netherlands Antilles were all inscribed with what country name? Hint: This was the largest island in the group.

9. What stamp-issuing entity between Germany and France used German marks from 1920–1947 and French francs from 1947–1959?

10. What indigenous animal is depicted in the watermark of early South African stamps?

11. Between 1912 and 1931, this European country issued what was until then the largest set in stamp history. It contained ninety-two stamps in many denominations and colors and depicted Ceres, the Latin goddess of grain. What was the country?

12. From 1930–1944 Switzerland applied a process to the gum of certain stamp issues to prevent the stamps from curling. This process appears as a faint pattern of tiny squares. What is the technical term for this process?

13. The famous US Overrun Countries issue of 1943–1944 depicts the flags of various Axis-occupied countries. How many countries (stamps) are there in this issue?

14. Syria and Egypt participated in some joint issues between 1958–1961 inscribed UAR. What does UAR stand for?

(Answers on page 4)

(\*Lewis Josephs is a member of the Syracuse Stamp Club, who was formerly its columnist for the Stamp Insider.)

## Carlos Eduardo FINLAY Shine, MD

By Marcos A. Iglesias

Carlos Eduardo Finlay, the son of Carlos J. Finlay was born in Havana, Cuba on July 11, 1868 and died in Havana on March 11, 1944. He completed his elementary studies at the Belén School in Havana. His father then sent him to New York where he earned his degree as a medical doctor at Columbia University, New York, in 1889. He took his postgraduate training at the New York Ophthalmic Institute (1889–1892). Upon his return to Cuba, he obtained a medical degree from the University of Havana.



He became professor in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Havana and in 1907 he was appointed Professor of Ophthalmology, a position he held until his death in 1944.

Among his accomplishments are: Interim Dean at the Faculty of Medicine, University of Havana (1934–1937); Secretary of Public Health (1938); elected member of the Academy of Medical, Physical and Natural Sciences of Cuba (1906); Member of the American Ophthalmologic Society (1927); Instructor at the College of Physicians and Surgeons (Columbia University); Vice-President of the American Public Health Association (1941) and Honorary Fellow of the Gorgas Society, Louisiana State University Medical School (1936).

He wrote extensively in the field of Ophthalmology and also authored a book about his father's work with yellow fever.

### Philatelic Information

Dr. Carlos E. Finlay's picture is included in the painting by Esteban Valderrama reproduced on a 13¢ stamp issued by the Cuban Postal Administration in 1965 (Scott 995). It depicts the meeting of his father, Dr. Carlos J. Finlay with some members of the Fourth Yellow Fever Commission, in Havana.

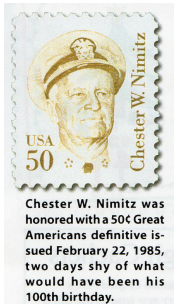


Left to right: Carlos E. Finlay Shine, seated (6), Jesse W. Lazear (4), James Carroll (3), Walter Reed (2), Antonio Díaz Albertini (5), Carlos Juan Finlay y Barres (1). [Note: the painting is reversed on the Cuban stamp seen above.]



## second choice

**By Jerald A. Floyd**



What would motivate a young man born in central Texas to aspire to a career in the U.S. Navy? In the case of Chester William Nimitz, the influence was his grandfather, a former seaman in the German merchant marine, who regaled the child with stories of adventure on the high seas.

Chester W. Nimitz was honored with a 50c Great Americans definitive issued February 22, 1985, two days shy of what would have been his 100th birthday.

Nimitz was born in Fredericksburg on February 24, 1885. His frail father died before he was born, leaving his grandfather to help raise him. His mother remarried when he was six, and the family moved to Kerrville. Despite the seafaring heritage, while he was a student at Tivy High School, Nimitz sought to become an Army officer. There were no appointments at West Point available, so Nimitz settled for a lone opening at Annapolis.

During his time at the Naval Academy he excelled in math and graduated with honors, seventh in a class of 114. The Naval Academy year book described Nimitz as "of cheerful yesterdays and confident tomorrows."

After graduation he was assigned to the *U.S.S. Ohio* as a midshipman and cruised to the Far East. Two years later he was commissioned ensign and became commander of the gunboat *U.S.S. Panay*. During his next command of the *U.S.S. Decatur* he was court-martialed for running her aground on a sand bar. Returning to the United States in 1907 he was ordered to duty in the submarine service. During his duty aboard the submarine *E-1* (formerly the *U.S.S. Skipjack*) he was awarded the Silver Lifesaving Medal for his heroic action in saving WJ. Walsh, fireman second class, U.S.N., from drowning.

Nimitz married Catherine Freeman on April 9, 1913 in Wollaston, Massachusetts. They had four children, Catherine, Chester, Anna and Mary.

During the years of World War I he served in various roles, including the staff of Rear Admiral Samuel S. Robison, Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. In September 1918 he joined the office of the Chief of Naval Operations.

After the war, he continued his career as executive officer of the battleship *U.S.S. South Carolina*. Later he became commanding officer of the *U.S.S. Chicago*. In 1922 Nimitz attended the Naval War College and after graduation became Chief of Staff to Commander Battle Forces. He established one of the first naval R.O.T.C. units, at the University of California at Berkley. He returned to sea duty in 1929 as commander of Submarine Division 20.

By 1939 Nimitz was serving as Chief of the Bureau of Navigation in Washington D.C. But just 10 days after the disaster at Pearl Harbor, he was chosen by President Roosevelt to serve as Commander in Chief, Pacific Fleet and Pacific Ocean areas. Later, in 1944 he was promoted to a newly created rank of Fleet Admiral of the United States Navy. On September 2, 1945, he represented the United States at the formal surrender of the Japanese aboard the battleship U.S.S. *Missouri* in Tokyo Bay.

After the war he became Chief of Naval Operations and later a special Assistant to the Secretary of the Navy. He served for eight years as a regent of the University of California. Nimitz helped restore goodwill with Japan by helping raise funds to restore the Battleship *Mikasa*, Admiral Togo's flagship at Tsushima in 1905.

Nimitz suffered a stroke in late 1965. Leaving the hospital, he returned to his home in Oakland, California. He died on February 20, 1966.

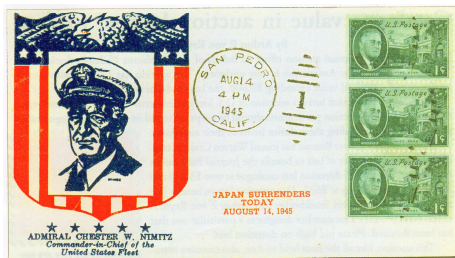
A number of public schools bear Nimitz's name, but of all the memorials dedicated to him, the most impressive is the National Museum of the Pacific War, a complex that includes the Admiral Nimitz Museum, located in the historic Nimitz Hotel in Fredericksburg, Texas. The Admiral Nimitz Museum details the hometown hero's personal history from birth through his career in the Navy, while the Museum of the Pacific displays numerous naval artifacts, including a B-25 bomber like those used in James Doolittle's raid on Japan.

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At the conclusion of World War II, Chester W. Nimitz was serving as Fleet Admiral of the United States Navy, the highest rank in that service branch. When the Japanese *formally* surrendered on September 2, 1945 aboard the U.S.S. *Missouri* in Tokyo Bay, Nimitz signed for the United States.

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“Here’s trouble, it’s the militant wing  
of the Philatelic Society!”

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## Quiz Answers

1. Afrikaans, 2. 1997, 3. Newspaper & periodical,  
4. 1897, 5. Venezuela, 6. 11th Olympic Games,  
7. Tonga, 8. Curaçao, 9. Saar, 10. Springbok,  
11. Portugal, 12. Grilled gum, 13. Thirteen,  
14. United Arab Republic