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Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs Announces

2020 Rowland Hill Award Honoree

Atlanta, Ga. The Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs has recognized Dr. Harvey S. Teal as the recipient of the 2020 Rowland Hill Award. Established in 2005, the award is named after Sir Rowland Hill, the creator of the first postage stamp, and is awarded annually to a philatelist who has made outstanding lifetime contributions to stamp collecting in the Southeastern United States. Dr. Teal becomes the 13th Rowland Hill honoree.

Dr. Teal has been a collector for nearly 70 years, a member of the Confederate Stamp Alliance (CSA) for 50 years, the American Philatelic Society for 25, as well as a member of the U.S. Philatelic Classics Society and numerous other philatelic and historic societies. He makes his home in South Carolina and is an active member of the Columbia Philatelic Society. He received an honorary membership to the CPS in 2019 upon his birthday out of gratitude for his service to philately and the club, becoming only the third such member honored in this manner.

He has researched and promoted philatelic discoveries throughout his career as a philatelist. A recent example of his research is Dr. Teal’s discovery of three new
Confederate provisionals which have been verified as genuine by the CSA authentication committee.

Dr. Teal is a prolific writer on philately, credited with publishing 19 articles in the Confederate Stamp Alliance Newsletter, the Confederate Philatelist. He teamed up with Robert B. Stetts to produce South Carolina Postal History to 1860 in 1989 and The South Carolina Post Offices and Postmasters, 1860-65 in 1995. Dr. Teal partnered with Richard Murphy to produce The Confederate States of America Catalog and Handbook on Stamps and Postal History in 2012.

He edited of the revisions to Richard Murphy’s work on the South Carolina section of The U.S. Stampless Catalog, one of the largest state sections in the volume. His personal collection of South Carolina stampless postal history material has no peer and he is recognized as an expert in the field.

Dr. Teal has earned the rank of General within the Confederate Stamp Alliance in recognition of his many years of service to the society and his contributions to philatelic research.

“I am delighted to learn of Harvey’s selection as the 2020 Rowland Hill Award winner,” said Tony Crumley, past President of the CSA and a fellow Rowland Hill honoree. “He has tackled the challenging yet rewarding area of Confederate philately with a passion that is second to none, resulting in a host of philatelic research and discoveries that will serve generations of philatelists.”

Dr. Teal holds Bachelor of Arts and Master of Education degrees from the University of South Carolina. He has worked as a teacher, an assistant principal, and led the Office of Instructional Television for the South Carolina Department of Education before his retirement in 1986. He was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters by Lander University in 2002. In 2001, he received the Order of the Palmetto,
the highest civilian honor in South Carolina. Dr. Teal and his late wife Ella have two children, five grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

The presentation to Dr. Teal will take place on February 1, 2020 at the Awards Banquet of the Southeastern Stamp Expo in Peachtree Corners, Georgia.

Past Winners of the Rowland Hill Award

2005   Nancy B. Clark
2006   William H. Waggoner
2008   Ed Jackson
2010   Douglas N. Clark
2013   Bruce Roberts
2014   Frank J. Crown
2015   Charles O’Brien III
2016   Dr. Thomas W. Broadhead
2017   Roger P. Quinby
2018   John T. Burnett
2019   Tony L. Crumbley

About the Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs

The Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs is a registered non-profit organization representing 21 stamp clubs and societies in Georgia, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Mississippi, Massachusetts, Maryland 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 activities 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 31st to February 2nd, 2020 at the Hilton Atlanta Northeast, 5993 Peachtree Industrial Blvd. Peachtree Corners, GA 30092.

About the Confederate Stamp Alliance

The Confederate Stamp Alliance is a non-sectional, non-political organization for fraternity, research and cooperation among a choice group of hundreds of collectors of Confederate stamps, covers, and postal history.