



Das Rundschreiben

A Newsletter For the Members and Friends of Central Florida Chapter 23 - G.P.S.
MISSION STATEMENT: Chapter 23 of the Germany Philatelic Society will enhance members' enjoyment of philatelic activities, with emphasis on the collecting of Germany
MEMBER: Southeast Federation of Stamp Clubs

September 11, 2005

Next Meeting

As usual, we will meet at Grace Lutheran Church, Lakeland, on Sunday, September 11, 2005. The meeting begins officially at 2:00 PM. but all are encouraged to come earlier for some conversation and sharing of philatelic material. Let's have a good attendance for this first meeting of the new activity year. Congratulations to Charlie, our incoming president as he begins his time at the helm of our club.

The program will be presented by Jim Pullin and Doug Warren. They will bring us up-to-date on the Empire Flag Cancels project with "samples" and information. Additionally, we will have the usual floor auction and silent auction books will be available for your examination and bid. APS circuit books will also be available. Who knows, you might also be the winner of a door prize and the 50/50 drawing.

We will decide whether to hold our December meeting in conjunction with FLOREX at the Central Florida Fair Grounds in Orlando on Saturday, December 3. The deadline for entering exhibits is October 1. The dates for the excellent show are December 2-4 and the address for the Fairgrounds is on Hwy. 50, 4603 W. Colonial Drive. The organizers plan to re-certify this show as a WSP event as soon as conceivable, to that end, they are actively seeking exhibitors to provide material to fill the 160 frames (16 page).

Last Meeting

- President, George, called the May 15 meeting to order at 2:34 PM.
- Present were Tom Wall, Doug Warren, Jim Pullin, Priit Rebane, John Rimi, Ed Evan, George Kuhn, Charles Deusner, Frank Hills, and John Hayner. The minutes of the last meeting were approved.
- The APS circuits were examined and a brief auction was conducted by our president.
- The treasurer reported a balance of \$966.79 in the checkbook. \$133.25 is in our "Salon Fund." We have 29 paid members in our chapter as of the end of April.
- Charles Deusner distributed a new revised membership directory.
- President George made various announcements and it was decided to postpone the auctioning of the jar full of assorted stamps – off and on paper – till the fall of the year so that our seasonal attendees may also participate. The large jar has grown to five pounds three ounces. Our chapter's ballot for officers of APS was officially cast for Fricks, Washburn, and Warren as the slate of vice presidents and the chapter voted for all the proposed amendments of the APRL.
- Jim Pullin brought us up-to-date on "Salon 2007" developments. There was also discussion about "Washington 2006" and GPS convention in conjunction with the show in Baltimore over Labor Day weekend.
- The annual election of officers took place. Elected were: Charles Deusner – President; Priit Rebane – Vice President; Dick Laux – secretary; and Ed Evan – treasurer.
- After the official meeting closed, many remained in order to talk, swap, and share in the joy of our mutual hobby.

Jots and Tittles

Here are some happenings and notices of interest for our chapter:

Richard Laux, our new secretary is enjoying an European/North American trip-cruise, and is not expected back home till the end of September. Any mistakes and shortcomings in this issue of the Rundschreiben can be blamed on Priit.

George Kuhn won the silver-bronze award for his "Hitler's Philatelic Propaganda Path to War" at AmeriStamp Expo in Atlanta last spring. Congrats!!

Priit Rebane was elected to serve on the GPS national Board of Directors along with incumbent, **Jim Pullin**. **Jason Manchester** of Ohio was elected president.

MICHEL to publish in English!
Good news for those of us who collect early Germany to Third Reich period: Michel will publish the Deutschland Special catalog Vol I next year in ENGLISH. This follows last years first time publication of the Michel US Specialized catalog in English, and will likely be followed by Vol. 2 of the Deutschland Spezial in 2007. Fantastic news indeed, as this catalog is absolutely essential to anyone who collects Germany from this period.

**SEE YOU ON SEPT-
EMBER 11 IN
LAKELAND.**