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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

CELEBRATING CSA's

75TH DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY

1935 – 2010

Are you ready to join in on the CSA's 75th Diamond Anniversary celebration? If your answer is "yes" (why would it not be!), then the first thing you need to do is plan on attending the 2010 CSA Diamond Anniversary Convention at the APS Show at Richmond, VA, August 12-15 (four days). It is being hosted by Gen. Peter Powell, Col. Ethel Powell and Col. William Shulleeta. It will be a truly memorable affair packed with all kinds of special events. Want to know more? For detailed information, go to page 39 of the January-March 2010 issue of *The Confederate Philatelist* which you just received in the mail. Make your hotel reservation **now** to ensure you take advantage of the special room rate. Call the Richmond Downtown Marriott Hotel at 800-228-9290 and request the American Philatelic Society's room rate of \$120 per night. **Don't wait** as the number of rooms at this special rate is limited. **Special Alert:** If you are planning to exhibit at the show, submit your entry form quickly as the demand for frames will surely exceed the number of frames available. Go to the APS website for the entry form. You may also call or email Dana Guyer at the APS Headquarters: 814-933-3803 or dana@stamps.org. More information will follow regarding the Southern Supper menu and the convention fee which will include the Southern Supper.

75th DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY GIFT

By the time you receive this Newsletter, you should have found a surprise 75th Diamond Anniversary gift in your mailbox. The present is a 160 page book entitled *A Lifetime of Collecting Confederate States of America Postal History*. It was jointly funded by the author, Gen. James L.D. Monroe, and his foster father, Col. Donald A. Robbins, as a token of their great affection for the Confederate Stamp Alliance.

WONDERFUL NEWS!

Gen. Peter Powell, Honorary Chairman of the 75th Diamond Anniversary Endowment Campaign, and Gen. James Monroe, Chairman, are delighted to announce that the endowment campaign has already exceeded its goal of at least \$150,000 and this was achieved eight months early. To date, \$165,061 has been raised with 155 members donating an average of \$1,064 each. The endowment campaign will continue to the night of the Southern Supper at our CSA Diamond Anniversary Convention in August. At that time, we will proudly announce the grand total that was raised.

MORE GOOD NEWS!

Because the completion of the new CSA Catalog will be delayed until 2011, we have extended the deadline for having your name recognized as an endowment donor in the new CSA Catalog. The new deadline is now July 1, 2010 vice December 31, 2009. If you missed the old deadline, please take advantage of the opportunity to donate now and be included in the new CSA Catalog. Every tax deductible donation, regardless of the amount, will be sincerely appreciated. If you have not already done so, please donate/pledge now!

FUTURE CSA EVENTS

2010 Diamond Anniversary Convention, APS Stamp Show, Richmond, VA, Aug 12-15, hosted by Gen. Peter Powell, Col. Ethel Powell and Col. William Shulleeta
2010 Mid-Year Meeting, None planned
2011 Convention, WESTPEX, Burlingame, CA, Apr 29-May 1, hosted by Cols. Stanley Piller and Schuyler Rumsey
2011 Mid-Year Meeting, Savannah, GA, Oct/Nov, hosted by Gen. Jim Monroe and Cols. Richard Murphy and Larry Baum
2012 Convention, NAPEX, Washington, DC, Jun 1-3, hosted by Col. Tom Lera
2012 Mid-Year Meeting, Fort Worth, TX, Oct, hosted by Gen. John Kimbrough
2013 Convention, Garfield Perry March Party, Cleveland, OH, Mar 29-31, hosted by Col. Rex Felton
2013 Mid-Year Meeting, TBD, Fall
2014 Mid-Year Meeting TBD, Spring

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CSA 2009 CONVENTION A HUGE SUCCESS!

The CSA 2009 Convention at FLOREX in Orlando, FL, was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Special thanks to Col. Deane Briggs who hosted the event. Also, thank you to Col. Scott Trepel of Robert A. Siegel, Inc., who sponsored the convention, and to Gen. John Kimbrough and Cols. Chuck Hanselmann and Phil Warman who sponsored the hospitality suite.

LAST CALL!

PLEASE HELP TO CREATE THE CSA 75TH DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY SOUVENIR BOOKLET

Col. Randy Neil is creating a special souvenir booklet for the Diamond Anniversary Southern Supper at Richmond, VA, next year. It will be devoted to telling things about the history of our Alliance. If you have any kind of memorabilia, past CSA souvenirs, personal anecdotes, pictures of past events, pictures of past luminaries, or stories about our past founders or early members (Dietz, Dabney, Kohn, Malpass, McBride, Antrim, etc.), please send them to Col. Neil at P.O. Box 6552, Leawood, KS 66206 or send scans to editor@csalliance.org. All pictures/memorabilia will be returned. Please take a hard look at what you may have that would be appropriate for the souvenir booklet and pass it on to Col. Neil. The 75th Anniversary Souvenir Booklet will be a terrific keepsake for those who attend this great event. He needs our help to do it right.

CONFEDERATE EXHIBIT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following CSA members who received exhibit awards:

At VAPEX, Williamsburg, VA, November 2010:

Col. Galen Harrison, Gold, Military Postal History Society (MPHS) Award for the Best MPHS Exhibit, and The Most Popular Award for *Union Prisoners' Mail, an In Depth Look*.

Gen. Daniel Warren, Gold and the J. Douglas Church Award for *Southern Mail—The Story of a Postal Service*.

Gen. Rick Calhoun, Single Frame Gold and the Patrick Henry Award - Virginia Postal History Society for *Confederate Williamsburg Virginia*.

Col. Gene Lightfoot, Vermeil, and the APS Research Award for *Antebellum Virginia 1851-1861*.

At FLOREX, Orlando, FL, December 2009:

Col. Thomas Lera, Gold and Best Single Frame Award for *The Nitre & Mining Bureau*.

Col. Deane Briggs, Gold and the APS Award of Excellence Pre-1900 for *Confederate Florida Postal History*.

Col. Robert Karrer, Jr., Gold for *Charleston, South Carolina*.

Col. Bruce Roberts, Gold for *Arkansas Postal History: Territory Through 1870*.

Gen. Connie Bush, Vermeil for *Straightline Cancels on Confederate General Issue Stamps*.

Col. Thomas Ross, Vermeil for *Early Postal Operations in the Confederacy*.

Col. Thomas Richards, Vermeil for *Confederate States of America: Texas*.

HONORS BESTOWED

Gen. Jerry S. Palazolo was awarded a Special Trustee's Award in recognition of 17 years of dedicated service to the CSA Authentication Service. In addition, he was designated as "Chairman Emeritus" for the CSA Authentication Service. Col. Edward R. Joyce, Jr. was promoted to General in recognition of his long service to the CSA. Col. Joseph T. Holleman was bestowed a honorary life membership. The August Dietz Award for 2008 was awarded jointly to Cols. Steven Walske and Scott Trepel for *Special Mail Routes* and to Col. James Milgram for *Federal Civil War Postal History*. Finally, Col. Lawrence Lohr received the CP Writers Award for 2008 for his article *The Joseph Parry Correspondence/ Salisbury Prison*. Congratulations and well done to everyone!

CSA INFORMATION POLICY

Personal information exists in the CSA database and Muster Roll which includes names, mailing and email addresses, and telephone numbers (database only - not the Muster Roll). For many reasons, the CSA policy has been to allow member mailing addresses to be sold (currently for \$150) for one-time use to philatelic auction houses to facilitate the mailing of auction catalogs to interested members. Email addresses and telephone numbers are not sold. The Muster Roll lists member names, addresses and email addresses. The information is published bi-annually to facilitate member (individuals and member dealers) communications. A very few members have objected to the use of their email addresses for dealer (non-CSA official) communications. The CSA Trustees decided that if a member does not want his/her email address to be published in the Muster Roll, and does not want **any** email communications, the member should contact the CSA Secretary, Col. Richard Murphy, at richardmurphy167@gmail.com to remove his/her email address from the Muster Roll and CSA database. The 2010 Muster Roll will be mailed with the April-June 2010 issue of *The Confederate Philatelist*, thus it is important that, should this be your desire, you communicate it immediately so it will not appear in the next CSA Muster Roll.

SAD NEWS

Word has been received that Col. Kenneth M. Lemley (member #1101) has passed away. He was a CSA member for 49 years and will be missed. Our sincere condolences to his family.

ON TO RICHMOND!

AUGUST 12-15, 2010