



Greater Mound City Stamp Club

APS Chapter #344
Since 1952

Mission: Encourage and promote the study of philately while fostering friendship and fraternity among philatelists.

Minutes from General Membership meeting February 26, 2024

Present: Ron McVay, Larry Reutter, Alan Banks, Vice President Katrina Whitaker, Ed Pieper, Secretary Phil Schorr, Gene Stewart, Norb Wright, Gary Hendren, Carol Hesselbein, Dennis O'Brien, Treasurer Pat Morgan, Roger Grider, Barb Horter, John Kendl, David Mahsman, Frank Kollinger, Michael Karasick, Dennis Ripplinger, Ed Bayham, Jerry Schultz, Richard Theis, Noel "Chief" Stasiak, Nathan Esbeck, Christina Esbeck.

President Katrina Whitaker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the absence of Guy Gasser.

Drawings: Ed Pieper won the 50/50 for \$22.50. Richard Thies won the attendance prize.

Minutes: The January meeting Minutes were approved - motion by Chief and second by Ed P.

Treasurer report: The Treasurer report showed total net assets of \$16,521.80 at the end of January. More details are available on the club website @ <https://greatermoundcity.org/treasurers-report/>

Secretary report: Phil reported that we still have 11 members who have not paid their 2024 dues. He said the Linn's Stamp Poll forms are on the table in the back. If you haven't filled one out, now is the time. Finally, he said the volunteer forms for Expo are in the back. Please sign the forms for the activity and time you wish to volunteer. Volunteers are definitely needed to make the show a success.

Vice President report: Katrina reminded everyone there are still several months open for members to present a program. Please share your collection with all of us. Next month will be the second session of the Workshop on the basics of collecting. Please bring your own equipment (tongs, perf gauges, watermark trays, fluid, etc.) If we aren't able to cover everything during the March meeting, we may carry over into April so everyone has a chance to learn about the basics.

Announcements:

- The next big philatelic event will be Expo on March 22-24. Volunteers will be needed to make sure the show runs well, with sign-up sheets for volunteering available on the table in the back. Please volunteer to help make Expo a success.
- We are still looking for a site for StampFest on August 10-11 since the Kirkwood CC gym will not be available this year. We have a couple of possibilities, but further information is needed.

Auction: David and Richard conducted the monthly auction with over 20 lots.

Program: Ed Bayham presented a program on the many uses of postcards and postal cards, including a rare postal card with the message side covered by a tear-off sheet. He pointed out that when we buy an envelope that has delivered a letter, the letter is often missing and we can't know what was said, while we can see the message on postcards.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Phil Schorr, GMCSA Secretary