



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 March 23, 2026

Present: President Guy Gasser, Carol Hesselbein, Gene Stewart, Barb Horter, Vice President Katrina Whitaker, Norb Wright, Treasurer Pat Morgan, Tom Minor, Sheryl Rose, Ron McVay, Guest Jeff Marker, Christina Esbeck, Roger Grider, Secretary Phil Schorr, Guest Kean Spencer, David Mahsman, John Wemhoener, Michael Karasick, Winston Haimann, Ladd Faszold, Bob Phillips, Jerry Schultz, Guests Eric and Joan Jackson, Guest Gregg Greenwald, Karinne Haimann, Alex Haimann, John Standlee, Richard Thies.

President Guy Gasser called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

Drawings: A guest won the 50-50 (\$22), while Roger won the attendance prize.

Minutes: The February meeting Minutes were approved - motion by David and second by Gary.

Treasurer's report: Pat's report showed total net assets of \$14,513.07 at the end of February. More detail is available on the club website @ <https://greatermoundcity.org/treasurers-report/>

Secretary's report: Phil reminded everyone that dues must be paid by the end of March to remain a member and receive the Perf-Dispatch. He reminded everyone that we continue to receive Topical Time magazine and have several available to borrow.

Vice President's report: Katrina is starting to take reservations for speakers for next year. She introduced the guests in attendance. She thanked everyone who volunteered to work at Expo. Finally, she announced that member Alan Barasch received an important award for all his volunteer work for APS.

Announcements:

- We have the activity forms for earning Auction Bux now available. Don't forget to get yours and fill it out for all your activities.
- Expo had 343 paid entrants, down slightly, but still successful. Next year, the U.S. Philatelic Classics group will hold its meetings at Expo, and we hope to have the U.S. Stamp Society in 2028. All our members who exhibited in the show did well.
- StampFest will be August 8-9 at the same location as last year.
- We would like to have someone lead a class for the Boy Scout stamp collecting merit badge at Expo next year. Let Guy know if you know someone who could do it.
- Don't forget the MSDA show in St. Charles in early May.

Auction: David and Richard conducted the auction of items entered by our members.

Program: Christina Esbeck led a discussion on exhibiting. This generated a long, excellent discussion about the good and the questionable about the current state of exhibiting.

Phil Schorr, GMCSA Secretary