

Greater Mound City Stamp Club

Minutes from General Membership Meeting on July 27, 2015, at Tropicana Lanes

Present: Guy Gasser, Katrina Whitaker, Gene Stewart, Tom Minor, Roger Grider, David Marsh, Phil Schorr, Gary Hendren, Larry Reutter, Frank Kollinger, Marcus Meyerotto, Wayne Youngblood, John Deutch, Ken Grothoff, and Dan Baugher.

The meeting was called to order at 7:36pm with 15 members in attendance.

June Minutes: Katrina distributed the Minutes for consideration. A motion was made by Gene Stewart and seconded by Phil Schorr. The minutes were approved as written.

Attendance drawings: Gene Stewart won the 50/50 cash prize and Frank Kollinger won the attendance drawing.

Finance report:

- Gary Hendren reported our Checking account balance at June 1, 2015 was \$10,303. Deposits in June totaled \$1,788 [mostly from dealers] while June disbursements totaled \$502 [includes \$204 owed for Parkway Central accrued room rental]. The total balance at June 30, 2015 was \$11,589.
- July disbursements include postage purchased plus the annual insurance premium covering our club's library materials stored in Alan's basement.

Committees.

Stampfest.

- The show dates are Saturday & Sunday August 29 and 30, 2015, in the gym of Parkway Central.
- Gary Hendren has 19 dealers under contract. We are unsure if Damien Johnson will have a dealer table.
- Guy reminded us we still need volunteers to help in the concession stand, greet attendees and help with set-up [takes about 1 hour starting around 5:15pm Friday] as well as with clean up after the show closes Sunday. Plan our time to attend the show as well as volunteer.
- Guy thanked Jeanette Grider for her time and effort putting out media blasts advertising the show in print, on radio and TV – all at no cost to the club. Gary said show details are listed in Linns and APS.
- Katrina urged members to stay for the dinner Saturday night...Gary encouraged us to get to know the dealers personally so they can help us find difficult, desired stamps.
- Tom set out lists for members to sign up for work at various times during the 2 day show and indicate what food items they will bring for the Saturday dinner. BBQ meat is purchased and drinks will come from the concession stand. He distributed post cards and stamps in preparation for mailing to prospective attendees.
- Tom and Dave Marsh will consult with Gary and Dan Baugher for a smooth transition in running the concession stand.
- Gary already has about 40 lots for the Sunday afternoon auction and welcomes a few more. We should send him a description and minimum \$ bid by Monday, August 24, which is the latest for any lots we submit.

Visitors: None

Announcements:

- Gene Stewart's next stamp bourse at Stratford Inn is Saturday, August 8th. He is unsure if there will be an auction.
- A reminder that our August 24 meeting will start at 7:30pm at our normal meeting location in Parkway Central HS.

New Business: Guy passed around a letter received from Scott Ward thanking the club for our participation in making the Youth Room a success at Stamp Expo.

Old Business:

- Club Logo Contest: there were eight entries submitted for consideration with the winner requiring a 51% majority of the votes cast. After three ballots, the winner was Frank Kollinger's entry in a 9 – 6 tally. His logo included St. Louis, MO, the club's founding date, the Arch plus 2 "Missouri" standing bears. Frank wins \$100 auction box. Each entrant receives \$50 auction box. The President will ask the artists in the club to enhance the artistic layout and select colors for a final draft. A motion to destroy the ballots was approved.
- Meeting Auctions: Guy thanked members for submitting their desired lot content in order make the auctions more successful. Members would like to see more postal history, old Cinderella's, box lots, 19th and 20th century US and Canadian stamps, small sets, and country collections be offered. The auctions will be held every quarter with the next one at our August 24 meeting. Guy remains open for all ideas to improve these auction results.

Presentation: Roger Grider spoke extensively on "How to use various stamp catalogs" while stressing the wealth of important information contained in each catalog Introduction. Wayne & Gene helped answer specific questions.

The meeting adjourned at 9:13pm.

Submitted by Dave Marsh