

Minutes
Hamilton Township Philatelic Society
Hamilton Township Free Public Library
Hamilton, New Jersey
January 17, 2017

The January 2017 meeting of the Hamilton Township Philatelic Society was called to order by President Milton Keiles at 7:15pm with the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 26 members and two visitors in attendance.

New Members & Visitors

David Daily, a previous visitor, joined the club. He collects U.S. plate blocks

Jiyun Kim and her mother were first time visitors. She collects Korean stamps. Jiyun joined the club at the end of the meeting

Officers Reports

There was no reading of the minutes – It has been agreed that the minutes from previous meetings would be posted and placed on our website but not read.

Treasurer Dr. Ronald Gonzalez reported that there was \$2,992.00 in the Treasury. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Tony Zingale and seconded by Andrew Boyajian.

Old Business

Stamp Evaluation Committee: Vice President Dennis Kennedy reported on the preliminary meeting of the Stamp Evaluation Committee as discussed at last month's meeting. They are arranging with the Cranbury library to hold a stamp evaluation program on a Saturday morning in February, March or April. Once the date is set, they will ask our members to distribute a flyer to other libraries, retirement communities, etc.

Stamps for the Wounded: Ken Steel received an acknowledgement from John Hotchner for the 11.5 pounds of stamps he sent to the Stamps for the Wounded (SFTW) program.

New Business

Ron Gonzalez reported that a picture of the HTPS contingent at the opening of the APS American Philatelic Research Library appeared in the current issue of the Philatelic Literature Review. The journal also acknowledged Ron's donation of his book on Puerto Rican related first-day covers to the APRL.

Jeff Boyarsky reported that he has agreed to be the APS ambassador for our club, to help foster better communication between chapter members and the APS.

Sid Morginstin noted that he will have a table at the NAPEX show in McLean Virginia, June 9-11. It was also noted that the NOJEX show will be held at the Robert Treat Hotel in Newark on the weekend after Labor Day (September 8-10).

Adjournment

The formal meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm. The 50/50s were won by Don Getzin and Jon Madsen.

Auction

Our semi-annual auction was held, where a number of philatelic items as well as and supplies and catalogs were sold. The auction provided great entertainment due to our auctioneer (Tony Zingale), and added approximately \$100 to the club's treasury.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on February 21, 2017.

Submitted by
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Secretary, Pro Tempore