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BRAVO, DON!

By Stan Bartnikowski

On October 8th, DPCPS member Don Wolman gave an excellent presentation, "Little Windows on a Big World" at the University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) Eugene McDermott Library Auditorium. It was attended by 25 to 30 people, including a handful of UTD students.

Don began with the many famous personages and professions depicted on postage stamps. He brought out some interesting facts, such as why John Cabot, first European visitor to Newfoundland, also appeared on an Italian stamp. John Cabot, originally Giovanni Caboto, was from Italy, and adopted the English name in order to be sponsored for his exploration voyages from England. The famous American humorist Will Rogers strangely appeared on Nicaraguan stamps, since he flew down there to assist after the Managua earthquake 1931. Don included a short video of the earthquake.

Don showed how postage stamps

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DPCPS 2023 ELECTIONS

By Stan Bartnikowski

The nomination committee for the 2023 DPCPS Officers and Board of Directors consists of myself, Rod Gabel and Fernando Torres. We have come up with the following slate of nominees:

President	Bill Laupus
Vice President	Rick Hosler
Secretary	Fernando Torres
Treasurer	Rod Gabel
Directors	
3 Years	Al Dlhy
2 Years	*Open*
1 Year	Joe Baker

You will notice that one of the Director positions is still open. Any DPCPS member is invited to become a Director. The responsibilities of a director include participating in the 4 or 5 board meetings a year. A director can influence how the

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Club dinner on December 14

Sold Out!

We have filled our dining room for the Holiday Party. If you are interested in attending the club Holiday Dinner and haven't sent your reservation, please contact Rod Gabel, 214-340-3523 for any availability due to cancellation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DPCPS meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays January through October and on the second Wednesday in November and December, at the Edgemere Retirement Community, 8523 Thackery Street in Dallas, Texas. Call to order is 7:30 p.m., but most members arrive by 7:00 p.m. for socializing and trading.

December 9-10	**DALLAS TSDA**, Doubletree Hotel, Bluebonnet Room, 1981 North Central Expressway (Hwy 75 & Campbell Rd), Richardson, TX 75080 (Friday 10-5, Saturday 9-4)
December 14	**DPCPS** Holiday Dinner at the Edgemere. 6pm for drinks and socializing; dinner at 6:30pm.
January 11, 2023	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program*: Bomber Warbirds of AF Plant #4* by Ray Cartier
January 13-14	**HOUSTON TSDA,** Hilton Garden Inn – Energy Corridor, 12245 Katy Freeway (I-10 and Dairy Ashford Exit), Houston, TX 77079. (Friday 10-5, Saturday 9-4)
January 25	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *Little Windows in a Big World,* by Don Wolman.
February 8	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *TBD*
February 22	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *TBD*
March 8	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *TBD*
March 22	**DPCPS MEETING**, Program: *TBD*
April 7-8	**DALLAS TSDA**, DoubleTree Hotel, 1981 North Central Expy, Richardson, TX 75081. (Friday 10-5, Saturday 9-4).

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Membership in the Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society is available to all persons of good character who are interested in philately. Dues are $12 per year (higher for mailed newsletters). For more information, contact Rick Hosler (843) 833-0144 or rhosler44@gmail.com. For a membership application write to: Dallas-Park Cities Philatelic Society, c/o Rick Hosler, 4601 S. Versailles Ave., Dallas, TX 75209.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

BY BILL LAUPUS

I hope that everyone has enjoyed a very happy Thanksgiving and a very special thanks to all our veterans who have served to preserve our freedom. The freedom for the citizens of the greatest country in the world. Living in the USA is truly a blessing that we should never take for granted.

Thank you to Rick Hosler for presenting The Postal History of the Philippines at our October 12th meeting. Thank you to Al Dlhy, Perry Denton, my wife Susan and all who participated in our very successful auction on November 9th. Nine members presented lots to be auctioned and 32 lots were sold for $258.00.

We are very grateful to George and Janet Clayton for again hosting our Holiday Dinner at The Edgemere on December14th. We hope to see you there!

Please consider presenting a program in the coming year. The board has committed to be responsible for the two programs to be presented in January. Our new Vice President would greatly appreciate your cooperation in volunteering to present a program in 2023. Stan would also greatly appreciate members submitting articles for future newsletters.

It has been my honor and pleasure to serve as your President during the past year. My sincere thanks to our Board and all our members for their tremendous support given to me during the past year. Dedicated, active club members are the essential element in the success of any club. We are blessed to have many outstanding stamp collectors in our club.

Helping lead a volunteer organization can be tough and I never take our members who give their time on our behalf lightly. I'm thankful for all our members, no matter what your role is. Whether it is big or small, you matter, and we are proud to have you and sincerely appreciate your membership. I know this ending is a repeat, however I intend to end all my newsletter messages with this very important statement.

Bill Laupus

EDITOR'S MUSINGS

BY STAN BARTNIKOWSKI

Most of you are aware of the availability of vintage U.S. stamps at prices substantially below face value. These stamps were purchased at the time of issue in the vain hope that they would increase in value and are generally genuine. The discounts are much smaller (about 10%) for Forever stamps, probably because of their "foreverness". However, last year we saw new Forever stamps offered on Facebook: 100 stamps (face value $58 for $39.99, a 31% discount). As club member Howard Petschel has indicated, these are counterfeit, probably produced in China, and are difficult to distinguish from the genuine stamps. This year I see multiple ads for Forever stamps and other recent stamps at a 50% discount! Using counterfeit stamps may result in fines up to $250,000 and prison up to 20 years, although I am not sure how one can be caught. My concern is that these counterfeits may end up in our collections.

Stan Bartnikowski

USPS REVEALS STAMPS FOR 2023

From the USPS Newsroom, Oct. 24, 2022

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Postal Service announced today many of the stamps it will issue in 2023.

"The 2023 stamp program features a broad range of subjects and designs. These miniature works of art highlight our unique American culture and offer a broad selection for those looking to collect stamps or send their mail around the nation or the world," said USPS Stamp Services Director William Gicker.

This is a partial list, with more to be revealed in the weeks and months ahead. All stamp designs are preliminary and subject to change.

Lunar New Year - Year of the Rabbit . The fourth of 12 stamps in the latest Lunar New Year stamp series celebrates the Year of the Rabbit. Calling to mind the elaborately decorated masks used in the dragon or lion dances often performed in Lunar New Year parades, this three-dimensional mask depicting a rabbit is a contemporary take on the long tradition of paper-cut folk art crafts created during this auspicious time of year. The rabbit mask design incorporates colors and patterns with symbolic meaning. Art director Antonio Alcalá designed the stamp and pane with original art by Camille Chew.



Year of the Rabbit stamp

Love—Celebrate 50 years since the first Love stamp was issued with two new Love stamps, one featuring a kitten and the other a puppy with their front paws resting atop a big heart. The word "LOVE" is featured in all caps behind each animal. The stamp designs were painted with oils on wood panel, then scanned and edited digitally. Art director Ethel Kessler designed the stamps with original art by Chris Buzelli.



Pair of Love stamps depicting a kitten and a puppy



Great Smoky Mountains Priority Mail Express Stamp

Great Smoky Mountains (Priority Mail Express) - Home to the most visited national park in the United States, the Great Smoky Mountains boast extensive national forests and a vast array of native plants and animals. Equally rich in history, folkways and culture, they are an American treasure, which the Postal Service celebrates with this new Priority Mail Express stamp. The stamp art captures an iconic mountain scene located near Newfound Gap between Gatlinburg, TN, and Cherokee, NC. In the foreground, a red-tailed hawk flies over the landscape. Art director Greg Breeding designed the stamp with original art by Dan Cosgrove.



""FREEDOM" Flag Forever Definitive

U.S. Flag—The Postal Service continues its tradition of celebrating the U.S. flag with this stamp, available in panes of 20, booklets of 20, and coils of 100, 3,000 and 10,000. The stamp art bears a straightforward graphic design of Old Glory. Providing a solid foundation for the flag are the word "FREEDOM" in gray and, below it, "FOREVER/USA." Art director Antonio Alcalá designed the stamp with existing art by Hong Li.

Ernest J. Gaines -The 46th stamp in the Black Heritage series honors Ernest J. Gaines (1933-2019). Best known for such novels as "The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman" and "A Lesson Before Dying," Gaines drew from his childhood as the son of sharecroppers on a Louisiana plantation to explore the untold stories of rural African Americans, adding a vital voice to American literature. The stamp features an oil painting of Gaines, based on a 2001 photograph. Mike Ryan designed the stamp with art by Robert Peterson. Greg Breeding served as art director.



Novelist Ernest J. Gaines, Black Heritage Series



$10 definitive will join the $2 and $5 Floral Geometry stamps of 2022

$10 Floral Geometry -A new Floral Geometry stamp, denominated at $10, will be available for purchase, complementing the similarly designed $2 and $5 stamps issued in 2022. The stamps lend an elegant and contemporary appearance to packages, large envelopes and other mailings. The stamp art features a series of overlapping geometric shapes that mimic the symmetry of floral patterns found in nature. The watercolor background and the glimmer of the foil-stamped design and typography create a sophisticated look. The stamp will be issued in panes of four. The stamps were designed and created by the firm Spaeth Hill. Antonio Alcalá was the art director.

Piñatas! - Celebrate the fun and tradition of piñatas with a colorful new booklet of 20 stamps. The stamp art fea-

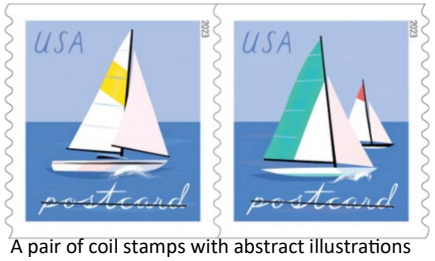
tures four lively, digital illustrations of two traditional piñata designs — a donkey and a seven-point star. The bright, saturated color palette was inspired by Mexican culture, including the vibrant colors of small-town houses, traditional hand-sewn dresses, handmade toys and flowers, and classic piñatas themselves. Víctor Meléndez created the original art and designed the stamps. Antonio Alcalá was the art director.



Donkey and Seven-Point Star pinata designs

Red Fox—The handsome face of a red fox (Vulpes vulpes) graces this new 40-cent stamp. Sold in panes of 20 and in self-adhesive coils of 3,000 and 10,000, the stamp is intended for use by bulk mailers for items such as circulars, newsletters and catalogs. It can also be used by customers who enjoy using a variety of stamps on their envelopes and packages. The stamp art features a pencil-and-watercolor illustration from preexisting artwork by wildlife illustrator Dugald Stermer (1936-2011). His penciled calligraphy on the stamp indicates the animal's common name and its scientific classification. Art director Ethel Kessler designed the stamp.





A pair of coil stamps with abstract illustrations of sailboats, each to satisfy the postcard rate.

Sailboats—Sailboats stamps (illustrated in the previous column) celebrate a favorite American outdoor activity with two colorful new postcard stamps. They feature abstract illustrations that capture the joyful sensation of being on the water on a beautiful day. The graphic art was designed and created by artist Libby VanderPloeg, who also created the lettering for the word "postcard," freehand on a digital tablet. Antonio Alcalá was art director for the project.

Snow Globes—Beloved by children and adults alike, snow globes can be miniature works of art, kitschy souvenirs or anything in between. Celebrating the spirit of the holidays, the Postal Service captures the playful pleasure of Christmas snow globes on four new stamps.

Painting in oil, the artist created spherical snow globes featuring icons of the season: a snowman wearing a jaunty red-and-white scarf; Santa Claus on a rooftop preparing to climb down the chimney; a reindeer standing in a snowy forest; and a snowy tree decorated with colorful ornaments. Art director Derry Noyes designed the stamps with original art by Gregory Manchess.



Original oil paintings of Christmas globes

Thinking of You—Capturing the excitement and delight of receiving a card in the mail meant just for you, Thinking of You features five stamps (pictured at the bottom of the page) in a pane of 20 and a host of die-cut, self-adhesive messages — perfect to accompany letters or cards sent to brighten someone's day. Each stamp is designed in fun colors with different whimsical images, including flowers, balloons, cute animals, sweet treats and symbols of good luck. Words of encouragement and thoughtful affirmations surround the stamps on the pane. Art director Greg Breeding designed the stamps with original artwork by Ellen Surrey.



Closely-cropped photos of tulips in bloom are featured on 10 stamps

Tulip Blossoms—Close-up photographs of 10 beautiful tulips in a rainbow of colors grace this new booklet of 20 stamps (pictured above). One blossom fills almost the entire frame of each stamp, with just the top of a stem peeking out from underneath. Since Dutch immigrants brought tulip bulbs to North America hundreds of years ago, the flower has become a dazzling part of our landscape. Art director Greg Breeding designed the stamps with existing photographs by Denise Ippolito.

Winter Woodland Animals - Connect to the natural beauty of the winter season and celebrate four species that make their homes in the woodlands of



"Thinking of You" Stamps



Winter Woodlands Animals: Deer, Rabbit, Owl, Fox

North America. Among the most familiar of wildlife, deer, rabbits, owls and foxes are found across much of the American landscape. This booklet of 20 stamps features graphic illustrations of these four animals in different woodland settings in winter. Art director Antonio Alcalá designed the stamps with Katie Kirk, who illustrated the stamps, pictured above..

Chief Standing Bear - This stamp issuance honors Chief Standing Bear (ca. 1829 -1908), who won a landmark court ruling in 1879 that determined that Native Americans were persons under the law with inherent rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. The stamp features a portrait of Chief Standing Bear by Thomas Blackshear II, based on a black-and-white photograph taken in 1877. The color of Standing Bear's attire was based mainly on contemporary descriptions. Art director Derry Noyes designed the stamp.



Chief Standing Bear Portrait



Twenty Endangered Species on Twenty Stamps

Endangered Species—Under the Endangered Species Act, which marks its 50th anniversary in 2023, more than 1,300 imperiled plant and animal species are safeguarded to increase their chances of survival. With this pane of 20 stamps (illustrated at the bottom of the previous column) the Postal Service presents a photographic portfolio of 20 representative endangered animal species. Those featured are found within the 50 states and U.S. territories and possessions or living near U.S. borders. The images are among more than 13,000 in photographer Joel Sartore's "Photo Ark," his project to document as many animal species as possible. Art director Derry Noyes designed the stamps with Sartore's existing photographs.

Railroad Stations—Noteworthy railroad stations began brightening the American landscape by the 1870s and, although many were torn down once they had outlived their original purpose, hundreds survived. This issuance of 20 stamps features five architectural gems that continue to play important roles in their communities: Tamaqua Station in Pennsylvania; Point of Rocks Station in Maryland; Main Street Station in Richmond, VA; Santa Fe Station in San Bernardino, CA; and Union Terminal in Cincinnati, OH. Passenger trains stop at all of them except Tamaqua. Derry Noyes served as art director. Down the Street Designs created the digital illustrations and typography.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg—This stamp honors Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg (1933-2020), the 107th Supreme Court Justice of the United States. After beginning her career as an activist lawyer fighting gender discrimination, Justice Ginsburg became a respected jurist



Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg

whose important majority opinions advancing equality and strong dissents on socially controversial rulings made her a passionate proponent of equal justice and an icon of American culture. The stamp features an oil painting of Justice Ginsburg facing the viewer in her black judicial robe with an intricate white collar. Art director Ethel Kessler designed the stamp with art by Michael J. Deas, based on a photograph by Philip Bermingham.

Toni Morrison—Author Toni Morrison (1931-2019) is honored in this stamp issuance. Her artfully crafted novels explored the diverse voices and multifaceted experiences of African Americans. Known for such books as "The Bluest Eye," "Song of Solomon" and "Beloved," Morrison was the rare author who achieved both best-seller status and critical success. In 1993, she made history as the first African American woman to win the Nobel Prize for Literature. The



Author Toni Morrison is featured on a 2023 commemorative forever stamp. Among her well known novels are *Beloved* and *Song of Solomon*



Five stamps celebrate noteworthy railroad stations: Tamaqua Station in Pennsylvania; Point of Rocks Station in Maryland; Main Street Station in Richmond, Va.; Santa Fe Station in San Bernardino, Calif.; and Union Station in Cincinnati, Ohio.

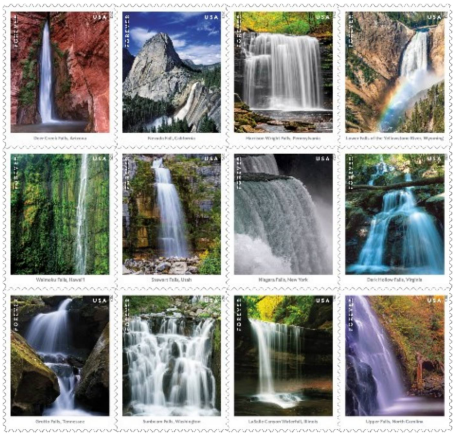


Five stamps to be issued in a pane of 20 display works by Roy Lichtenstein, the legendary artist of the pop art movement

stamp features a photograph of Morrison taken in 2000. Art director Ethel Kessler designed the stamp with photography by Deborah Feingold.

Roy Lichtenstein -The work of the iconic American artist of the pop art movement, Roy Lichtenstein (1923-1997) is celebrated with a stamp issuance in his honor. Each of the five stamps in this pane of 20 features one work of art by Lichtenstein: "Standing Explosion (Red)" (porcelain enamel on steel, 1965); "Modern Painting I" (acrylic, oil, graphite pencil on canvas, 1966); "Still Life with Crystal Bowl" (acrylic, oil, graphite pencil on canvas, 1972); "Still Life with Goldfish" (acrylic, oil, graphite pencil on canvas, 1972); and "Portrait of a Woman" (acrylic, oil, graphite pencil on canvas, 1979). The selvage features a photograph of Lichtenstein by Bob Adelman with the artist's face framed by a model of his 1983 sculpture Brushstrokes in Flight. Derry Noyes served as art director and designer for this issuance.

Waterfalls—Among nature's most beautiful wonders, waterfalls come in all shapes and sizes, from serene cascades to mighty cataracts. The Postal Service celebrates the variety and beauty of American waterfalls with 12 new stamps. Each stamp features a photograph with the name of the waterfall and state in which it is located. Art director Greg Breeding designed the stamps and pane with existing photographs.



Twelve waterfalls are celebrated on 12 stamps. Each stamp shows a photograph and includes the name of the waterfall and the state in which it is located.

Women's Soccer — This stamp issuance celebrates women's soccer in the United States. From youth leagues to the elite world champion U.S. national team, millions of girls and women throughout the country participate in this fast-paced, competitive sport. The graphic stamp artwork depicts a female soccer player in action, walloping a ball with a side volley. Conjuring the aesthetic of mid-century print design, the illustrator used simplified shapes and bold colors to convey the high energy and fast motion of the sport. The somewhat grainy rendering lends a timeless quality to the design, evoking not just a single all-star athlete or era but the entire legacy of women's soccer. Art director Antonio Alcalá designed the stamp with an original illustration by Noah MacMillan (1988-2022).



Women's Soccer Issue

School Bus—School Bus will be a new additional -ounce stamp, available in panes of 20 and coils of 100. The issuance celebrates the iconic yellow school bus and its role in ensuring that millions of children get to school and home again every day. The stamp features a stylized illustration of a 21st century yellow school bus, in profile in front of a silhouetted schoolhouse that is more evocative of an earlier era. Artist Steve Wolf worked with art director Greg Breeding and stamp designer Mike Ryan.



The school bus, is featured on a stamp for the additional-ounce rate.

Patriotic Block—Patriotic Block will be a new nondenominated, nonprofit-price stamp intended for bulk mailings by authorized nonprofit organizations and will be sold in self-adhesive coils of 3,000 and 10,000. This stamp displays the components of the American flag — the stars and stripes — arranged in a four-quadrant block on a white background. Carol Beehler designed the stamp with art direction by Antonio Alcalá.



A single coil stamp picturing stylized parts of the U.S. flag is intended for use on mass mailings by nonprofit organizations.

DPCPS 2023 ELECTIONS

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club is run. Please contact Stan Bartnikowski, Rod Gabel or Fernando Torres if you are interested.

We thank the following folks that have moved on from their positions: Vice-President Mark Solomon, Secretary Rick Hosler, and Directors Fernando Torres and Stuart Barzune.

We also thank Bill Laupus, Rod Gabel, George Clayton, Jack Urish and Paul Witthoeft for their continued service.

CLUB MEETING MINUTES

BY RICK HOSLER

September 28, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Bill Laupus, President and presiding.

Twenty-one members and two guests of Tom Cunningham were present.

Reports:

Secretary — Minutes of the previous meeting were approved without being read.

Treasurer — None

Program VP:
Sep 28 — Stamp Counterfeiting, A Personal Perspective, by Howard Petschel.

Oct 12 — The Postal History of the Philippines, presented by Rick Hosler.

Oct 26 — Bomber Warbirds of AF Plant #4, presented by Ray Cartier.

Old Business — Following George Clayton's request, Edgemere has continued to set up our meeting room for our club meetings.

Geoff Owens auctioned items from the Roofner collection and Jack Urish offered items from the Sutkin collection.

New Business — Bill Laupus made the motion to accept applicant Raed Salih into our Club membership. The motion was approved.

Announcements: Geoff Owens announced that the 2023 Scott catalogues have arrived. A motion was made and approved to sell the old catalogue as a set.

Stan Bartnikowski reported that the Newsletter will go out next week.

As a reminder Don Wolman will present "Little Windows in a Big World" Saturday, Oct 8, at 1:00 at the Wineburgh Philatelic Library auditorium, UTD. Members are encouraged to attend to show Club support.

Program: Stamp Counterfeiting. Howard Petschel, who worked for the US Postal Inspection Service, recounted his experiences in dealing with stamp counterfeiting. He shared examples of counterfeit stamps, how they were produced, and means of detection. His fascinating presentation stimulated considerable interest at the meeting resulting in numerous questions.

Jack's Albums:

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

October 12, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Bill Laupus, President and presiding.

Eighteen members and one prospective member were present.

Reports:

Secretary — Minutes of previous meeting were approved without being read. We now have 57 members.

Treasurer — The Treasurer's report was E-Mailed to each member. It is available from Rod Gabel, treasurer.

Program VP:
Oct 12 — The Postal History of the Philippines, presented by Rick Hosler

Oct 26 — Bomber Warbirds of AF Plant #4, presented by Ray Cartier

Nov 09 — Quarterly Auction, participation by all members

Nov 23 — Jack's Albums and Trading Session

Old Business — Bill Laupus reported that 2020 Scott Catalogues will be offered for auction sale at next meeting.

Items from the Sutkin and Roofner collections were offered for sale.

New Business — None

Announcements — Rick Hosler introduced visitor Dennis Topletz who has applied for membership. Dennis lives in Dallas and collects US mint.

Program — Rick Hosler presented The Postal History of the Philippines from its Spanish roots through its independence following WWII. The evolution of the postal system began with its prestamp era. From 1854 stamps were used to commemorate the Spanish heritage followed by Spanish stamps common to other Spanish colonies. The first Philippine stamps were printed in 1872. The American Dominion (1899-1942) ended with the Japanese invasion of Manila in 1942. The stamps available during Japanese occupation included overprints of earlier issues as well as new stamps for propaganda purposes. The Commonwealth was restored in 1946 with the destruction of the Japanese fleet leading to stamps of the New Republic of the Philippines featuring Douglas MacArthur and Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Jack's Albums

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

October 26, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Bill Laupus, President and presiding. Twenty-four members were present.

Re**ports:**

Secretary — Minutes of previous meeting were approved without being read. There are 57 members and one prospective member.

Treasurer — No report

Program VP:
Oct 26 — Bomber Warbirds of the AF Plant #4, presented by Ray Cartier.

Nov 09 — Quarterly Auction, participation by all members.

Nov 23 — Jack's Albums and Trading Session.

Dec 14 — Holiday Dinner hosted by Janet and George Clayton at Edgemere Retirement Center. See invitation on E-Mail.

Old Business — None.

New Business — The 2020 Scott Catalogues were auctioned and sold to Al Dlhy.

Announcements — Bill Laupus announced that there will be a Board Meeting on Nov 09 at 6:35 p.m. at the Edgemere prior to our next meeting.

Nomination of prospective 2023 club officers are open.

The Mid-Cities Stamp Club EXPO will be held November 11-12 at the Grapevine Convention Center in Grapevine,TX.

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CLUB MEETING MINUTES continued

Program — Cancelled because speaker was unavailable.

Jack's Albums

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

November 9, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Bill Laupus, President, and presiding.

There were 26 members present at the Edgemere Retirement Center.

Officer Reports:

Secretary — Minutes of previous meeting were accepted without being read.

Treasurer — None

Program VP —
Nov 09 — Quarterly Auction, directed by Al Dlhy with all members participating.

Nov 23 — No meeting

Dec 14 — Holiday party at Edgemere

Jan 11 — Bomber Warbirds of AF Plant #4, presented by Ray Cartier.

Jan 25 — Little Windows in a Big World, presented by Don Wolman.

Membership — There are 57 members and one prospective member

Old Business — Rick Hosler requested the names of spouses for membership directory.

New Business — Bill Laupus encouraged everyone to get your reservations for our holiday dinner to Rod Gabel ASAP.

Announcements —

Program — Quarterly Auction. Al Dlhy directed the auction. Participation included all members featuring numerous items offered for sale with a good time had by all.

Jack's Albums

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

BY RICK HOSLER

Membership is at 57 active members, after new member Raed Saligh added.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 9, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Bill Laupus, President and presiding.

Attendees:

Bill Laupus, President
Mark Solomon, Vice President
Rick Hosler, Secretary, Membership
Rod Gabel, Treasurer
Fernando Torres, Director
Stuart Barjune, Director
Stan Bartnikowski, Past President
George Clayton, Edgemere Liaison
Jack Urish, Acquisitions

Agenda:

1. Website maintenance — The annual web maintenance of $200.00 was paid by Art von Reyn. We plan to reimburse him for this cost.
2. Ownership of website — The Board wants to own the website. The domain cost is $150.00 Joe Baker will contact Art to secure the website. The maintenance of this site is still under discussion.
3. New Directory — Two issues remain. First member pictures need to be included in the member section and second, not all spouse names have been included.
4. Holiday dinner — Janet and George Clayton will host The Holiday Dinner at Edgemere on Wednesday December 14th. Reservation forms were emailed and members are requested to make their reservations as soon as possible.
5. Acquisitions and auction update
6. Programs for January — Two possible programs include Ray Cartier's Bomber Warbirds of AF Plant #4 and Don Wolman's Little Windows in a Big World.
7. 2023 Officer candidates — Rod Gabel said nominations are still open for Secretary. Two nominees include Bill Laupus for President and Rick Hosler for Vice President.

2023 U.S. NEW ISSUES CALENDAR

This is a list of U.S. new issues expected to debut in the next few months. There are no more issues planned for 2022. Forever stamps or other non-denominated stamps are lisred with the current or anticipated value in parenthesis, unless otherwise noted.

Jan ???	**Year of the Rabbit**. One (60¢) forever commemorative stamp, pane of 20; Lunar New Year series.
Jan ???	**Love**. Two (60¢) forever special stamps, pane of 20; puppy, kitten.

Please see the article "USPS reveals stamps for 2023" on page 3 of this newsletter for a current list of 2023 issues.

CLASSIFIED ADS

One classified ad of up to 50 words, not counting name and address information, is available to members per issue on a space available basis. Submissions should arrive no later than the twentieth of the month preceding the issue date. Ads run for four consecutive issues, unless canceled before then. Submissions can be emailed to stan.bartnikowski @gmail.com or mailed to 1413 Elizabeth Dr., Carrolton, TX

WANTED

Postally used Hong Kong, Scott range #218 - #791. See Geoff Owens at club meetings or contact gmoptx@verizon.net.

Poland *not* listed in Scott, Imperforates, locals including Poczta Polska overprints, military stamps, POW, Displaced Persons Camps, Polish Post in Italy. Prefer postally used. No revenues. See Stan Bartnikowski at club meetings or contact stan.bartnikowski@gmail.com.

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recognized forgotten persons associated with more famous individuals. For example, Tenzing Norgay, the Nepalese sherpa that ascended Mt. Everest with Sir Edmund Hillary is depicted on a couple of New Zealand stamps, along with Sir Edmund. Don showed the U.S. stamp that recognized not only Robert Peary, but also the African-American Matthew Henson, who were the first to reach the North Pole.

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