

HOBBYISTS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

February 2, 2023

Note: Meeting at First Presbyterian Church in person and by Zoom

President Bob Mosher called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

Bob Paoli led the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

President's Report-Bob Mosher. Bob introduced Pastor Bruce of the First Presbyterian Church. Pastor Bruce thanked the Hobbyist Club for our long association with the Church and for our financial support. He noted several completed improvements and several ongoing projects.

Bob also presented two (2) motions with detailed explanations for consideration: a motion to give the Deputy Treasurer (who will be Cliff Matthews) signing authority on Hobbyist accounts and a motion to allow online voting. There were no questions on the motions. We can vote on them at the March meeting.

We encourage members to provide written suggestions on any Club issue. Leave the writing in the donation bowl on the coffee / Munchkin table.

Membership-Ed Lundell. Current membership: 400; Life Membership: 42 including newest Life Member Joseph Ippolito; Attendance: 95 including ZOOM attendees; today's inductees: Yury Sereda (Dennis Stefanelli by Mike Pendergast), Steve Bolyai (Bob Vallario), Bill Anderson (Ray Cochran), Perry Perumal (John Eliya), Izaak Raksin (Louis Queralt).

Treasurer's Report-Gary Englehardt. There are no outstanding checks. Hobbyist funds are earning interest at a robust 3.9%.

Hobbyists Concerned-Peter Philip. Hobbyist Richard Reilly recently died.

Activities Reports

Book Club-Peter Philip. Mike Riff will present Munich by Robert Harris-a historical novel based on the infamous 1938 "peace" conference. **February 17** at 10 AM in the Church Library.

Chess-Rick Pascal. The club meets every Wednesday in the Church from 10 AM.

Cribbage-Bob Mosher. Thursdays from 1-3 PM at the Church. If interested contact Bob Mosher at rmosher895@aol.com

Fellowship Luncheon-Dave Smilon. **April 27** at noon in the Church. The cost is \$15.00.

Golf-Paul Fazio. Online registration continues. The fee is \$15.00 if paid by February 28 and \$20.00 if paid after February 28. Simulated indoor golf-Mondays from 9 AM-noon through the end of March. Register online for the Atlantic City trip in September. There are 24 registrants with room for 10-14 more. For more details on all golf club events, please check the website.

Hobbyist Volunteers-George Millington. The site is Eva's Village and involves serving lunch and clean-up at two (2) seatings-noon and 1 PM. The dates are **February 7** and **February 14**. Volunteers meet at Graydon Pool at 10 AM and usually return by 2:30 PM. We need 3-5 volunteers. If interested, contact George at gzmillington@gmail.com

Keep in Touch-Bob Stevenson. Several Past Presidents have reached out to our (now) 42 Life Members, most of whom do not have a computer. Bob is seeking volunteers who will help with this worthy project. Look for future e-mails on group activities. If interested, please contact Bob at robtstevenson@hotmail.com

Movie Lovers-Richard Oswald. "Mrs. Brown" will be shown on **February 14** at 1:30 PM in the Senior Lounge, Ridgewood Village Hall. The movie deals with the strange relationship between John Brown and Queen Victoria. For more details on the plot and cast, check the website.

Music Lovers-Jim McKeown. "Strike Up the Band"-a light classical program on **February 10** at 10 AM in the Church Auditorium. Check the website to see the wide range of musical selections for this program. **Jim asks for suggestions from the membership for future programs.**

Newsletter-Rick Pascal. By the end of February, an e-mail will go out to chairmen seeking information that they would like included in the next Newsletter.

Trips and Tours-Don Peterfriend. Don presented a trip to Newport, RI on November 30-December 1 which includes tours of mansions and other sites. Look for details in future e-mails.

The Hobbyist business meeting concluded at 10:50 AM.

Program-Joe Lennox a/k/a "NASA Joe." The program will focus on Apollo 13 which gave us the famous tagline "Houston, we have a problem."

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Weinstein