

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, 7 pm
28 Feb 2012
at the
Grayslake Area
Public Library
100 Library Lane
Grayslake, IL

2012-2013 Officers:

Dr Tom Willer – President
Bill Schultz – Vice President
Dave Sadler – Secretary
Walter F. Veile - Treasurer

NEXT LOCAL SHOWS

STAMPFEST '12

Milwaukee Philatelic Society
St. Aloysius Gonzaga Hall
1435 S 92nd ST
West Allis, WI
March 3 and 4

ASDA Chicago Stamp Show

Lindner Conference Center
610 East Butterfield Rd
Lombard, IL
March 9, 10 and 11

The first meeting of the new year involved the presentation on "Stamp Hinges" by Tom Willer. I wish my grandfather would have seen it prior to setting up his collection - may be he would have not have said – "who needs them – stamps have their own glue just lick them and put them on the page". If so, he'd know better now and I'd have inherited a better collection

Besides the fine lecture, we

1) held elections for next years officer and they were reelected again for another year.

2) the charity auction planned for 2012 - proceeds to the Northern Illinois Food Bank has been scheduled for the weekend of April 14 and 15 as part of the MSDA Spring Show at the Comfort Inn & Suites 600 Milwaukee Ave Prospect Heights, IL.

Bill Schultz has arranged with Jim Bardo for the use of table during the show. We now need members to bring along (to this meeting) any items members would be able to donate to an auction, and to survey their schedules for an ability to man the auction table at the stamp show.

The Food Bank will issue receipts to those who donate item that are sold for a tax deduction.

For those who would like more information about the organization, please look them up on the INTERNET - <http://solvehungertoday.org>

3) The group voted to maintain the Grayslake Library as the regular meeting place (except for April 24 - it will be at the Warren-Newport Library).

4) that the treasury had \$3,175.17 as of 24 January.

This month we need to finalize plans for the charity auction. **Again, if you have items to donate, bring them for we can log them in and start organizing the event.**

There are no meeting pictures this month – the chip was inadvertently overwritten.

Israel First Stamp Issue of 1948 - The first stamp series - Ancient Coins, issued by State of Israel were designed, printed and distributed for use prior the end of the British Mandate on 14 May 1948. It was an "underground" process necessitated because of the very strained relations between the British and Jews living in the mandate at the time. Another small factor that held back the printing of the stamps for the soon to be state was that the Jewish national leadership could/had not agreed to a final decision on the name of the new nation – hence the name Israel does not appear on the initial printing but rather Hebrew words "Doar Ivri" – Hebrew Post.



The silver shekel depicted on the high value "Doar Ivri" stamps – the actual coin size is a bit smaller than a quarter – 0.81 inches vs 0.96 inches.

