

SUSSEX COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Meeting Minutes
General Meeting

Meeting Place Rehoboth Beach Public Library
Upstairs Meeting Room
226 Rehoboth Ave.
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

Meeting Date December 11, 2004

Call to Order President Audrey Sensale

President's Remarks Audrey invited all present to partake of the refreshments when participating in the meeting. This being the meeting before the holidays began, punch and sweets were provided by members. Audrey then welcomed everyone to the 4th general meeting. Audrey then gave a brief review of what had been accomplished since the May 15th meeting when the by-laws were passed and society officers were elected. (For a complete copy of the speech, please refer to The SEARCHER, Vol. 1 No. 4). Audrey also thanked the officers and chairpersons for their hard work. She ended her speech with the following quote, "I look forward to the next five months anticipating the same kind of progress we have had thus far."

Secretary The minutes of the November 20, 2004 were accepted with corrections.

Treasurer The treasurer reported a balance of \$461.67 in the bank. The report will be filed for audit.

Committee Reports Membership - Carolyn Miller: Everything going very well. Thanks to Judy and Audrey for helping with the refreshments. Two guests were present from Seaford. Carolyn welcomed everyone and announced that she had applications for anyone who was interested in joining. Newsletter - Fred Schiding: It was decided at last board meeting that would combine issues for November, December and January and after that would return to a regular cycle. Education committee - special committee: The committee was set up by the Board. The committee co-chaired by Lynne Hooker, Audrey Sensale and Carolyn Miller, member. Have provided for two additional members. Please see Audrey if interested. Program - Lynne Hooker: Asked to sign up those who wish to join her computing class. This will be offered the last two Tuesdays of January. We have permission to come to the library at 10:00am.

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The library is not opened until 12noon so will have the opportunity to use the computers for two hours without interference by the community. Dates are January 18 and January 25. Please sign up. Lynne will have to prepare for the class. Open to anyone who might have problems of any sort on the computer. Can be extended into February if necessary. After everyone is ready, then will continue with teaching "How to Do Genealogy online." Sign up in January. Will use

textbook Genealogy Online, 6th Edition, for the discussion group. Will need to order the book for the group to start in February.

Announcements The next general meeting will be January 15, 2005. Program to be announced. We think that we have a speaker. Please remember the book fund, the little blue bowl. Discussion was held concerning the registration by phone to the library prior to the meeting. Many felt that it was unnecessary. Will discuss with library.

Program This was held as a round-table discussion. Members of the society brought out problems that they were having with their research. Some topics covered were: Copying - handling heirloom documents, Making sure document source information when it is obtained, Use Family Tree Makers -Un-puzzling Your Past, How to find and organize hard copy, How to locate members of religious orders in the census. This led to receiving information from various members present.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 12 Noon.

Submitted by

Marjorie F. Frampton, Secretary