

## Sussex County Genealogical Society General Meeting Minutes

- Meeting Place: Rehoboth Beach Public Library  
Upstairs Meeting Room  
226 Rehoboth Avenue  
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971
- Meeting Date: October 21, 2006      Time: 10:30 a.m.
- Call to Order: Jeanne Davis, President, welcomed everyone and made the opening remarks.
- Secretary: Sally Nelson served as Secretary for this meeting. Nancy Purchase is out of state. Sally read the minutes from the September meeting. The minutes were accepted as read.
- Treasurer: Jim Blakeslee reported that the Society has \$810.89 in the Treasury as of September. We have collected \$48.00 in dues and \$28.00 in the book fund. As of this membership meeting we had \$886.89 in the Treasury and \$69.10 in the book fund.
- Jim announced that the new membership cards were available. They were distributed to members at the meeting and the balance will be sent out to the others.
- According to Jim, we have had over 100 members, 75 of which are now active.
- Membership: Carolyn Miller welcomed our guests. We had 9 visitors. The visitors were from Bethany Beach; Millsboro (2); Cleveland, Ohio; Angola; York, Pennsylvania; and Milford (2).
- Carolyn announced that membership books are being completed, and she will hopefully have them by the November meeting. These books only contain information on members who indicated they wanted to be in it. Unless you are out of state, you must pick up your membership book at a meeting from Carolyn. There will be one book per individual or family.
- Speakers Bureau: Carolyn Miller gave a short acknowledgement of the September 23 Laurel Library presentation where we faced the challenge of doing a Power Point presentation without electricity! She also gave a follow up on the presentation made by the Speakers Bureau to the Selbyville Public Library.
- Carolyn announced the next presentation is scheduled to be given to the South Coastal Leisure Center on November 3 (11:30 a.m.). We are also scheduled to make a February 6 presentation at the Georgetown Public Library (2:00 p.m.).

We would like to work towards getting into more civic/social organizations so if you belong to a group or know of one that might be interested, please contact her. Sally also had some flyers available for people to give out.

Programs: Audrey Sensale filled in for Lynne Hooker, who was traveling out of state.

Audrey announced that the next meeting's speaker would be Linda Reno, who would speak on the *Maryland 400 - The Brave Man*. She reminded everyone that the November meeting would be held at the Rolling Meadows Club House in Lewes.

Announcements: Sally Nelson announced that for the next newsletter, she would like to include some family recipes. She asked members who had any special recipes they'd like to share with a short story as to why they are so special to the family give them to her at the November membership meeting or e-mail ([aluminmug@aol.com](mailto:aluminmug@aol.com)) them to her by then.

Audrey Sensale announced that we now have the lapel pins with the SCGS logo on them. They are for sale for \$5.00 each.

Audrey announced that the Society would be doing a fund raiser at the Roadhouse Steak Joint in Rehoboth on November 13. She encouraged everyone to come as well as tell their friends about the event. The Society gets 10% of the day's proceeds. Society volunteers will be there between 5 and 7 p.m. to act as hosts. Sally had hand outs available for people to take and distribute. Please let her know where you distribute the flyers. Ralph said some of the local papers were beginning to refuse to put the ads in their event calendars because they felt the Roadhouse was taking unfair advantage, so it important that the flyers be distributed.

Mary Fritz showed a book done on her family. The book "Titus: A North American Family History" by Leo J. Titus, Jr., P.E. has 100,000 family connections.

Adjourn: Ralph Nelson moved we adjourn; Motioned seconded by Carolyn Miller. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Speaker: Audrey introduced Sharon Harris who gave a very informative talk on the reasons and methods she used to research and publish a book on her family.

Francis invited Ms. Harris and others to come to the next discussion group meeting. The meeting will deal specifically with using GPS coordinates in locating cemeteries and family locations.

Respectfully Submitted: Sally A. Nelson