

**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:** January 20, 2007

**Pre-meeting:** Lynn Hooker handed out our Annual Survey and gave us time to fill it out and turn it in. This is to assist with planning for next years programs. The results will be reported at the next General Meeting.

**Call to Order:** Jeanne Davis, President called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.

**President's Remarks:** Jeanne gave the Welcome and President's remarks.

**Secretary's Minutes:** Nancy Purchase read the minutes of the last general meeting, December 16, 2007, as taken by Sally Nelson. They were accepted as read.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jim Blakeslee read the treasurer's report which is the same as reported at the December Board Meeting. SCGS has \$860.82 in the general fund including \$110.10 in the Book Fund. This takes into account the debit in the Lapel Pin Fund of -\$106.00. The treasurer's report was received subject to audit.

**Committee Reports:** Discussion Group; Francis Frampton announced that the fifth Discussion Series will consist of 3 subjects; Audrey will speak on doing oral interviews; Shirley Herndon on area research sites; and Ralph Nelson on genealogical/historical conventions. All were invited to attend.

**Announcements:** Ralph announced two upcoming events:

1. The Delaware Public Archives will celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Delaware Railroad with a special limited time exhibit featuring documents from the Archives' Delaware Railroad Company collection. The exhibit and display will be from January 23rd to 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007.
2. On Saturday, February 3, 2007, at 10:30 a.m. the Delaware Public Archives will feature Delaware State Parks historian Lee Jennings speaking on The Battle of Cowpens. The Delaware Public Archives is located at 121 Duke of York Street in Dover.

Ralph also mentioned that the Delaware Coast Press featured a full page article on Holly Wright's Colonial Roots Bookstore and Ralph encouraged everyone to read the article. Jeanne praised Ralph's efforts in promoting the Society's events.

**Membership:** Carolyn Miller announced that if you have a blue tag on name badge, she has a gift (Membership Booklet) for you.

**Speakers Bureau:** Ralph announced that he and Carolyn will be presenting “Mommy, Where Did I Come From” at the Delaware Public Archives in Dover this afternoon; for a new genealogical group at Heritage Shores in Bridgeville, DE on January 23; February 5<sup>th</sup> for the Salt Pond Woman's Group; and February 6<sup>th</sup> at the Georgetown Public Library.

**Adjourn:** The motion to adjourn made by Francis at 11:00 a.m. was approved.

**Announcement:** Lynn Hooker announced that we will reverse our speakers for February and March. Dr. G. Ray Thompson will speak in February & Peggy McKenzie will speak in March.

**Program:** Lynne introduced Harriet Hook - Author of the book *My Virginia Connections*. Harriet spoke on her book, based mostly on her maternal family the Blackwells. She and her husband then talked about the mechanics of publication.

Lynn thanked Harriet for her presentation and presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation and a SCGS lapel pin.

**Submitted by:** Nancy Purchase, Secretary.