

Sussex County Genealogical Society
General Membership Meeting
December 15, 2007

Meeting called to order by Vice President Ralph Nelson at 10:40 a.m.

Ralph introduced Agnes Brien who was wearing 3 hats—she was selling the membership pins (\$20 was collected); she was selling raffle tickets for the book fund; and she would be our official timer during the roundtable discussion.

Secretary's Report: Sally Nelson read the minutes from the November General Membership meeting. They were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Blakeslee reported the Society has \$1,055 and 87 members. There was \$452 in the General Fund; \$70.00 in the Book Fund; \$981.00 in the Contingency Fund; and, \$50 in the Speakers Bureau Fund.

Jim reported that he renewed the subscription for the Family Chronicle magazine for 2 years.

Vice President's Remarks: Ralph announced that President Jeanne Davis had undergone surgery and we would be sure to let everyone know her progress when we learned of it. A card was passed around for everyone to sign.

He also announced the death of Marge LaFond's son. Marge is the librarian at RBPL and a card would be sent to her.

Ralph is working on the next annual survey. This will be e-mailed to the membership before the January meeting so that everyone has a chance to give the questions some thought and return it. We need input from the whole group—not just those who come to the meeting.

He introduced Norm Montigny as the new Public Relations Chairman and thanked Tom Roche for all the help and support he gave Ralph.

Ralph reminded everyone that Agnes Brien was selling raffle tickets for our book fund. The prize was a book on doing online genealogy. \$21.00 was collected for the book fund.

Ralph announced that Russ McCabe would be our speaker at the January meeting and encouraged everyone to bring a friend. Russ will speak on the digital records at the Delaware Public Archives.

Ralph also reviewed the upcoming programs for the remainder of the year. He reminded everyone that the May meeting was our election meeting and encouraged anyone interested in holding an office to let him know. We have one position, the Secretary, which must be filled according to our by-laws.

Membership Report: Carolyn Miller thanked everyone for coming and especially those members who brought such good refreshments.

Carolyn explained that she has the cemetery rubbing paper, but it was too cumbersome to bring along with all the other things needed for the meeting. She will have it at the January meeting. Due to price increases, the actual cost per roll of paper is \$25.30. She will work out the cost differences and let everyone know.

There was no other business brought before the membership.

Carolyn Miller and Diane Sherwin seconded the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Ralph introduced Agnes Brien who acted as the official timer for our round table discussion.

At the end of the discussion, the winning raffle ticket was drawn. Jim Blakeslee was the lucky winner.

Respectfully submitted by Sally Nelson