

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Inc.

ANNUAL REPORT

2012

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Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Inc.

Mission Statement

The SGS is a volunteer provincial heritage organization whose purpose is to promote and develop the study, research, and preservation of Genealogy and Family History.

Genealogy - The study of the descent of families and persons from an ancestor or ancestors, using actual or primary sources and recording the findings onto pedigree charts. For simplicity, the term genealogist will be used throughout.

Family History - An extension of genealogy, placing family members in their historical, geographical, social, and occupation contexts. It describes their activities and the lives they lived, and includes the study of historical, social, and economic conditions of the area in which they lived.

Mandate

- Preservation of Saskatchewan records;
- Assistance to Saskatchewan residents researching their heritage anywhere;
- Assistance to anyone researching their Saskatchewan heritage;
- To be a collective voice of genealogy in the province of Saskatchewan;
- To coordinate all genealogical and family history projects and research in Saskatchewan.

Vision

As a dynamic organization, our vision is to attain stable financing and state of the art physical resources; and to enhance our use of technology, professional education, and preservation of genealogical records.

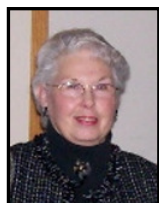
General

The objectives and goals of SGS shall be:

- a) Education - Provide encouragement and instruction in scientific and ethical research methods.
- b) Preservation, Conservation and Collection - Preserve, conserve, and collect materials relevant to the study of genealogy and family history.
- c) Resources - Develop and maintain SGS's human and financial resources.
- d) Promotion - Promote and foster the study of genealogy and family history.

President's Report/Past-President

By: Verna Thompson & Chuck Alton



Once again it has been a privilege to serve as your president.

The June meeting of your Board, held in Regina, was the annual board organization meeting. At that time, we did further work on the strategic planning for the SGS which started in 2011. That was to continue through our next meetings, but did not happen at the end of the year as these meetings were held by conference call due to severe weather and difficulty of travel on the highways throughout the province. It is a process which will be ongoing as your board and administration work to determine how best to meet the financial, material and personnel needs of our members and users.

Several members of our association felt the impact during the year of changes in operations at the Saskatchewan Archives Board facilities in Regina and Saskatoon. Faced with budget cuts, the opening times of the SAB offices were reduced to three days per week. It appears this will be ongoing although it is my understanding that some adjustment in opening days will be made to better accommodate out-of-town researchers.

As I write, a study is being conducted concerning the future of the SAB office in Saskatoon. This office is now housed at the University of Saskatchewan which is itself facing budget cuts and is being forced to examine all of its operations in light of those cuts.

As president of the SGS, I was interviewed by the study consultants. I stated what I believe to be the preference of SGS members, that the SAB continue to have facilities in both Regina and Saskatoon and that the Saskatoon facility continue to be housed at the university.

Having said that, we must all realize that this is a time of cost cutting and fiscal reorganization in government. I have been in the SAB reading room in Saskatoon on many occasions when I was the only researcher, or one of two or at most three. It is a very expensive facility to retain with that level of usage. Ideal as it may be to carry on as at present, we must ask ourselves at what cost and must be

prepared to justify that cost if we think this is the best way to operate.

At a conference recently, delegates were reminded that there is a real cost to preserving heritage and history, but there is also a cost in not doing it. It behooves us as individuals interested in preserving our own history and heritage, and as an organization devoted to that end, to determine what cost we deem acceptable and to make that known to our association executive and to those who represent us in the provincial legislature.

It is easy to cut programs and services. It is not easy to replace them once they are only a memory.

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2012 Board of Directors

Officers

President

Verna Thompson, Eston

Past-President

Chuck Alton, Briercrest

Vice-President

Barb Tait, Regina

Directors

Beverley Gutenberg, Saskatoon

Rene Stock, Saskatoon

Dolores Ast, Regina

Rita Chernoff, Sheho

Holly Schick, Regina

Executive Director's Report

By: Linda Dunsmore-Porter



SGS continued to provide a wide range of programming services throughout 2012. Saskatchewan Lotteries funding increased and provided stable funding for the year. We must continue to increase our self-generated funds.

The resources at the SGS Library and Research Room continue to increase. The increase is in large part to the generous monetary and material donations of the members and other individuals and organizations.

SGS completed the transition of its databases to the new format. These have been uploaded to the website. SGS also offers access to subscription databases to its members.

SGS Annual General meeting was held in Regina at the Ramada Inn in April. Included in the meeting were guest speakers and SGS education.

SGS continues to monitor and work diligently on its online databases to ensure that they are complete and user friendly. All SGS program continue to move forward.

SGS in its role as a preservation organization is involved in the larger heritage community. Our members preserve their family history and Saskatchewan heritage by recording cemeteries, filing obituaries, and indexing data entry, proofing, and correcting for the Saskatchewan Residents Index.

SGS continues to work with its partner associations and organizations to increase our presence in the genealogical community and to provide access to resources for our members. In 2012 SGS has partnered with the National Institute of Genealogical Studies, Ancestry.ca, Ministry of Justice, Saskatchewan Archives and FamilySearch.

SGS continues as a member of the SaskCulture Provincial Cultural Organizations and receive support from Saskatchewan Lotteries through SaskCulture. The Society appreciates the support of these organizations.

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SGS Staff

Executive Director -
Linda Dunsmore-Porter

Librarian – Megan Ashcroft

Executive Assistant - Lisa Warren

Office Assistant - Vacant

Volunteer Coordinators

Education Coordinator - Christina Krismer

Cemetery Program - Vacant

Volunteer Coordinator
Diane Anderson (1st half)
Celeste Rider (2nd half)

SRI - Vacant

Newspaper Coordinator - Bev Weston

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SGS Programs & Services

1. Education

To provide encouragement and instruction in scientific and ethical research methods.

Two courses are now available by e-course in 2012 and they are the Saskatchewan Record Searcher Course and the Aboriginal Researcher Course. There are 5 students who are taking the Saskatchewan Record Searcher Course and 6 students who are taking the Aboriginal Researcher Course. There is one student who has completed the Aboriginal Researcher Course.

When a graduate completes the course or has a certificate that has been renewed, we post a list of graduates in the Bulletin and on the internet to encourage others to take the courses.

Requests for workshops continue to be made and whenever possible, our instructors are offered these opportunities. It is the willingness of the instructors and other qualified volunteers that allow us to offer such a variety of workshops on a regular basis.

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| Workshops held at SGS | 0 workshops 0 people |
| Workshops outside SGS | 45 workshops 1017 people |

2. Preservation/Conservation & Collection

To Preserve/Conserve and collect materials relevant to the study of genealogy and family history.

2.1 Preserve/Conserve/Collect

- SGS continued to lobby for:
 - access to an index for Saskatchewan Vital Statistics historical records
 - exclusion of the opt-out clause on the 2006 census.
- A member of Saskatchewan Heritage Community of Interest.
- Advocated that the heritage of all Saskatchewan residents is part of provincial history.
 - Done through promotion on radio open line talks and television interviews. Also accomplished through programs: Library, Cemetery, SRI, Obituary Files, Special Purchase program,

Saskatchewan Homestead Index Project (SHIP) and in the future Saskatchewan Heritage Resource Directory (SHRD), Rural Municipality Historical Document Project (RMHDP), Saskatchewan Pioneer Certificate.

- Cataloguing SGS collection.
- Brochures in archives and libraries.
- Bulletin exchange with all provincial heritage organizations.
- Brochures sent to all provincial cultural organizations

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Cemetery

The Cemetery Program had a good year in 2012 continuing to locate cemeteries and secure records. In 2012 we have located another 23 cemeteries and have new records for about 29 cemeteries and updated another 78. This brings our total to 3,478 cemeteries located in the province, with records for 2,540 of them.

The databases that are now found on the SGS website have the cemeteries records that have been entered in SRI. A major focus in 2012 was to get more records on the SRI so those online databases can be of even more use to researchers.

As always – we can't do it without the many hours put in by our volunteers around the province. Thank you very much.

We are looking forward to another great year of cemetery work.

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Obituary

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

We continue to have volunteers in the library who sort and glue obituaries prior to 2002. These obituaries have been sent in by members and branches throughout the province. This project is very large and requires many hours of volunteer time. In turn it is one of our best sources of information about former Saskatchewan residents. The collection consists of over 750,000 obituaries.

Due to space in our library, ALL obituaries from 2002 are being indexed onto the SRI. We ask everyone to continue

gathering obituaries from the papers, even if you are unable to index. SGS has volunteers in Regina who will index the obituaries post-2001 from newspapers that are forwarded to SGS.

1. Name of the paper must be supplied with obituaries
2. Date of the paper must be supplied with each obituary (Obituaries are indexed by the date of the paper, not by the death date)

Volunteers interested in learning more about our new procedures or would like a copy of the manual can contact SGS. SGS thanks all the volunteers who are indexing and proofing obituaries ... keep up the good work!

Volunteers are placing all pre-2002 obituaries into a database index - Obituary Index Project.

Obituary Indexing Project

By: Celeste Rider, Coordinator

The project to index the SGS Obituary Files began in 2006. Diane Anderson coordinated the project until 2012 when she, due to other commitments, was unable to continue as coordinator. The SGS would like to thank Diane for all the work she put into planning, recruiting volunteers, and coordinating the work of the volunteers. Celeste Rider replaced Diane as coordinator half way through 2012.

There has been a core group of volunteers who have dedicated a lot of their time to this project. The SGS is truly thankful to all of the volunteers who have helped this project along by scanning and indexing obituaries.

The indexing progress is as follows:

Indexing of Surnames beginning with the following letters has been completed: A, C, D, E, F and Q

B 28 discs out of 30 are completed
G 11 out of 17 completed
H 09 out of 24 completed
I 02 out of 03 completed
J 05 out of 09 completed
K 15 out of 18 completed
L 13 out of 18 completed
M 26 out of 36 completed
N 04 out of 07 completed
O 0 out of 05 completed
P 04 out of 19 completed
R 11 out of 16 completed
S 03 completed

At the end of 2012, three volunteers were actively scanning obituaries and were working on scanning the surnames beginning with S.

The SGS would welcome more volunteers to work on scanning and/or indexing obituaries. If interested, please contact Celeste Rider at oa.sgs@sasktel.net.

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Saskatchewan Residents Index (SRI)

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

The main focus for 2012 was to complete some items that were registered and partially indexed. At the same time, we kept on indexing, proofing and correcting new books. We are always looking for volunteers to index, proofread, or correct.

We have been looking for someone to volunteer as the coordinator for the SRI; in the meantime I have been spending as much time as possible to keep the program going. Thank you to everyone who has helped with SRI this year and in the past. Thank you to Tom Atkins for all the work and patience in the last year.

More of the cemetery files have been indexed and some have been updated for the SRI. There are still numerous cemeteries that need to be indexed for the SRI. The following statistics do not include cemeteries on the SRI.

Accomplishments were:

- Total sources registered: 635
- Total books (including local histories): 525
- Total SGS files: 36
- Total government documents: 10
- Total maps: 15
- Total newspapers: 49
- Items totally completed: 263

Grand Total records on SRI DATABASE - 3,183,288

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2.2 Collection

Library

By: Megan Ashcroft, Librarian

Library Statistics:

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| Total value of the collection in 2012: | 381,309 |
| As compared to 2011: | 377,290 |
| As compared to 2010 | 370,039 |

The SGS Library Collection consists of:

| | <u>2010</u> | <u>2011</u> | <u>2012</u> |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Books | 21,518 | 21,657 | 21,696 |
| Microform | 35,748 | 35,748 | 35,748 |
| Maps | 602 | 603 | 603 |
| CD/DVD | 63 | 75 | 80 |

Journals and periodicals continue to be exchanged with other genealogical societies, donated by members, and subscribed to.

- 86 periodicals were exchanged with other societies
- 4 periodicals were donated/sponsored by individual SGS members
- 13 periodicals were received by subscription
- 56 members borrowed 80 current (2012) periodicals.

Unfortunately as postage costs increase and memberships of societies dwindle; we see a loss in the number of publications we receive from other societies.

Members and organizations continue to generously make donations of books, microform, maps, and CD's to the Library.

- 19 people donated 29 items
- 3 organizations (genealogical societies, libraries, historical societies, and publishing companies) donated 9 items.

Cataloguing using the current system (DBTextWorks) stopped early in 2012. The SGS library is currently developing an online catalogue system which will allow patrons to search the SGS catalogue from home, place holds, renew items and other tasks. This new system will ensure the best possible service to our membership, as well as allowing others to see what resources the SGS library and research room has to offer. We hope to have the new system installed early in 2013, with a launch date yet to be determined.

Once the new system is up and running we will again be in dire need of volunteers to assist with cataloguing. We are hopeful that with this new system cataloguing will no longer need to be done "in-house" but instead volunteers will be given sections of the old catalogue to convert in the comfort of their own home.

As always we owe Barr Godkin, the single cataloguing volunteer for his time, and his excitement to get going on the new catalogue.

Thank you to everyone who continues to donate mailing boxes and funds to help with postage costs. This goes far to ensure that library books can continue to be mailed out to members.

3. Resources

To develop and maintain SGS's human and financial resources.

1. *To have adequate human resources.* To have adequate professional staff and an active volunteer base to ensure the delivery of all programming.

2. *Financial Resources.* To have adequate financial resources to accomplish SGS goals. Revenue is comprised of Lottery dollars, membership fees, donations, program revenue, fundraising, and sponsorships. Fundraising consists of proceeds from events held.

4. Promotion

To promote and foster the study of genealogy and family history. This is accomplished by:

A. Liaison - There is a need to establish and maintain mutual understanding with other groups and the community at the provincial and grassroot level. SGS is presently networking with other genealogical societies by exchanging publications with groups around the world.

- Work with Multicultural organizations.
- Work with Aboriginal organizations.
- Member SaskCulture Heritage Community of Interest and network with Saskatchewan Cultural Organizations.
- Saskatchewan Archives Board.

B. Advocacy - SGS advocates that heritage helps one understand the past, appreciate the present, and plan for the future. The heritage of society is the combined heritage of individuals. Advocacy is promoted through the Bulletin, branch newsletter, internet, branches, members, and all

programming.

- SGS lobbied for Index to Vital Statistics in Sask.
- SGS lobbied for access to post-1901 census.
- SGS advocated for a positive response to the opt-out clause on the 2006 census.

C. Public Access - to provide public access through an excellent resource library and quality programs. All programs are available to the public. During 2012, these programs included:

Library

| | <u>2011</u> | <u>2012</u> |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Visitors to the Library | 2,230 | 2,247 |
| Circulation: | 46,873 | 44,377 |
| Packages of books mailed: | 184 | 180 |
| Phone calls for information: | 3,750 | 3,750 |
| Research requests filled: | 251 | 146 |
| Responded to e-mail: | 3,900 | 4,000 |
| Volunteers/Hours: | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Volunteer Times | 1,000 | 1,000 |

Special Purchase Program - Resources purchased for this program are part of the library collection and may be accessed by our members. The general public may access any books as reference but not the microfiche/film collection. The collection attracts membership and research.

- Purchases valued at \$158.00 were made during 2012.

Cemetery Program - Total number of people involved in program including accessing and recording and locating 2,000.

Obituary File - Number of people accessing information is 2,000.

SRI - Number of people accessing information is 1,050.

Conference – There was no conference in 2012.

Annual General Meeting - 50 people attended the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The attendees participated in all discussions.

Bulletin – Was published 3 times a year (March, August and December) to our membership and subscribers. It provides education on research and information on SGS activities. Circulation for 2012 was 864 per issue or a total of 2,593 copies. There were 345 e-mailed per issue. Number of people who accessed the Bulletin is estimated at 300,000. Bulletin is edited by staff.

Workshops - Number of people accessing this program 1,017. This includes workshops on contract.

Education - Certification program is available to the public, however, only members may be certified. In 2012 there were no certificates renewed. Two courses are offered by e-course and one course was offered in classroom only.

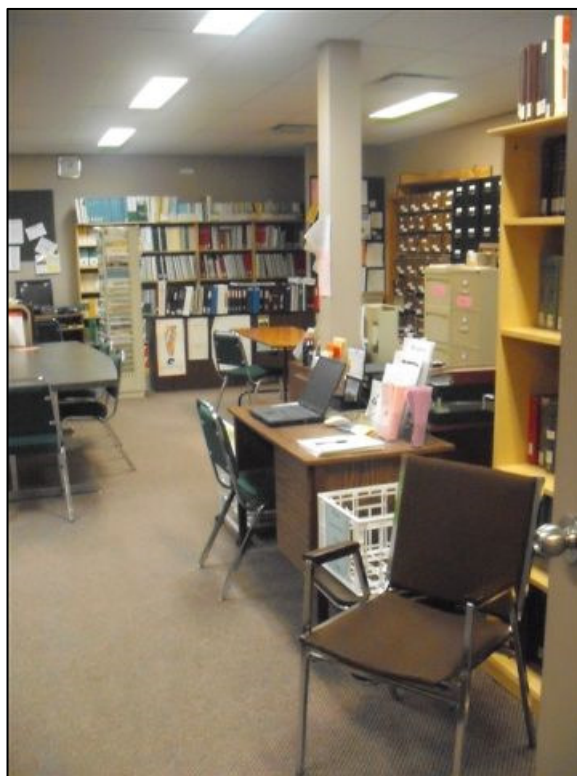
Stock - Genealogical supplies on demand.

SGS Connections – Newsletter to Branches published twice a year to keep them informed about SGS and other branch activities. No newsletter published in 2012.

SGS Home Page - Had approximately 175,000 visitors during 2012 to home page and cemetery index.

Volunteer Recognition – Annual Heritage Volunteer Award was presented to Barbara Beck of Prince Albert.

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Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Library and Research Room

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Committees

Conference

No conference in 2012.

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Newspaper Publication

By: Bev Weston

At long last, the volumes for the casualties of World War I have been completed and will be available for sale in 2013. These volumes have taken considerable time and work to complete.

The project is to extract births, marriages and deaths from Regina newspapers. So far, work has been completed up to 1916. Reading and data entry are ongoing, and we could use more volunteers for this project. At present we have only

two active readers.

To volunteer for this project, please contact the SGS office.

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Summer Camp

The Summer Camp was not offered in 2012.

SGS Accountability

SGS has been receiving Lottery Dollars for operational expenses since 1985. The receipt of these dollars is based on meeting the requirements set out by the Trust. In addition these dollars impact on GST; Charitable Status and postage subsidy as follows:

Member of SaskCulture and receives a grant from Lottery Foundation.

Grant application is judged on how many people we serve and the number of people who are involved or access our programming.

SaskCulture Culture Policy

Approximately 59% of SGS's revenue is received from Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund for Sports, Culture and Recreation. As a beneficiary of lottery dollars, SGS is judged against criteria set out in SaskCulture's Cultural Policy. The following cultural policy defines the funding priorities for the cultural section of the Trust as follows.

Access and Service

This includes the number of programs offered, size of membership, number of times programs are accessed, and number of individuals participating in programs. In addition, number of donors to the organization, ratio of total self-generated revenue raised through fundraising over Lottery grant and connections with other groups or organizations to gain access to target audiences. Also includes the impact of the programming on the cultural landscape and society of the province.

Representation

Membership must be geographically representative of the province and data on the membership gathered and recorded. There must be an appreciation of demographics

and how they affect the organization.

Organizational Effectiveness

The organization must have a clearly articulated vision and demonstrate a resolve to achieve it, while adapting to demographic changes. A planning and evaluation process must be in place to assess its progress towards its vision.

Effective Governance

The organization must operate under an appropriate model that assures the development and implementation of internal structures, policies and procedures which best achieve the mandate of the organization.

All Lottery beneficiaries are expected to take an active role in promoting the sale of Lottery tickets as a benefit to the cultural community and the overall quality of life in our province.

Operates under Non-profit Act

Reporting requirements

Is a Charitable organization

SGS has been granted the privilege of providing a Tax Receipt for donations and membership fees. This means we can only provide nominal benefits to members. Should membership fees change to value-added membership, SGS will continue to maintain their Charitable status and continue to issue Tax Receipts for monetary and material donations. Value-added memberships are not subject to GST.

Receives a postal subsidy from Federal Government Heritage Branch

SGS cannot provide special benefits to members and charge non-members such as fee to access the library.

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2012 SGS Membership

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

The final membership for 2012 was 799 a decrease of 72 members over the 2011 final membership total. Senior Citizens represent 53% of the total paid membership. The following is a geographical analysis of the membership in 2012 showing the widespread interest in the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society.

SASKATCHEWAN

Total membership – 573 representing 127 communities.

Communities represented by more than 10 memberships - (375 members/9 communities).

Grenfell (10), Melfort (13), Moose Jaw (24), Prince Albert (19), Regina (177), Saskatoon (82), Swift Current (26), Weyburn (12), Yorkton (12).

Communities represented by 3-10 memberships - (82 members/21 communities).

Balcarres (3), Battleford (4), Biggar (5), Briercrest (4), Carnduff (3), Central Butte (7), Estevan (3), Eston (4), Kindersley (3), Lashburn (3), Lloydminster (3), Mankota (4), Maple Creek (3), Moosomin (5), North Battleford (4), Ogema (5), Oxbow (5), Regina Beach (5), Rosetown (3), Rouleau (3), White City (3).

Communities represented by 2 memberships - (38 members/19 communities).

Assiniboia, Balgonie, Christopher Lake, Churchbridge, Coronach, Corman Park, Hanley, Herbert, Kelvington, Kennedy, Loon Lake, Lumsden, Maryfield, Nokomis, Outlook, Pangman, Rocanville, Southey, Tisdale.

Communities represented by 1 membership (78 members/communities).

Admiral, Albertville, Aneroid, Avonlea, Bethune, Birch Hills, Cadillac, Candle Lake, Chaplin, Ceylon, Cochin, Colonsay, Consul, Creelman, Creighton, Cudworth, Cupar, Dalmeny, Dundurn, Dysart, Earl Grey, Eastend, Esterhazy, Eyebrow, Fort Qu'Appelle, Govan, Griffin, Handel, Hazenmore, Hodgeville, Humboldt, Indian Head, Kamsack, Kelliher, Kincaid, Kinistino, Kipling, Lacadena, Laird, Lake Lenore, Lestock, Lintlaw, Macklin, Maidstone, Makwa, Manitou Beach, Mazenod, McCord, Meadow Lake, Melville, Milestone, North Portal, Osler, Perdue, Porcupine Plaine, Preeceville, Radville, Raymore, Redvers, Rhein, Richlea, Rose Valley, Ruthilda, Sheho, Shellbrook, Sifton, St. Walburg, Theodore, Torquay, Tyner, Unity, Waldheim, Warman, Watson, Wawota, Webb, Whitewood, Willowbrook,

OTHER PROVINCES OF CANADA

There is a total of 206 members representing 105 communities.

Alberta (62), British Columbia (70), Manitoba (23), New Brunswick (2), Nova Scotia (2), Ontario (46), NT (1)

UNITED STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES

United States 16 members / 13 communities.

Overseas 4 members / 4 communities

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Branch Report

REGIONS:

Region #1 - Southwest Chinook: Central Butte, Grasslands, Moose Jaw, and Swift Current.

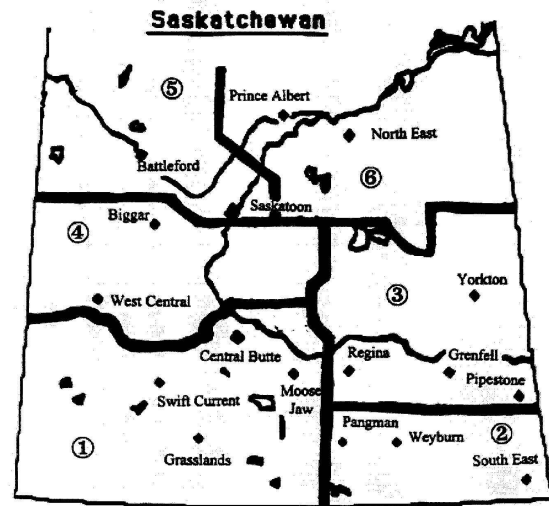
Region #2 - South East: Pangman, South East, and Weyburn.

Region #3 - Qu'Appelle Parkland: Grenfell, Pipestone, Regina and Yorkton.

Region #4 - Western Plains: Biggar, and West Central.

Region #5 – North-west: Battleford and Saskatoon.

Region #6 - Northern Lights: North East and Prince Albert.



BRANCHES:

Battleford

Meetings are held 3rd Wednesday of the month (except May - August and December) - 7:00 p.m. at North Battleford Library.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Publish a newsletter called *Through the Branches*.
- Membership for 2012: 11 Members; 9 SGS Family Memberships.
- Research Services: \$20.00.
- Special Collections: Battleford Branch book collection and back issues of Branch newsletters.
- No Publications for sale.
- Recorded no cemeteries.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- No display promoting Branch.
- Workshops held at branch meetings.

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Biggar

Meetings are held 2nd Wednesday of the month (except July and August) January to April - 2:00 pm / May to December - 7:30 p.m. at Biggar Post Office (2nd Floor) - 2nd Avenue Entrance.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$5.00.
- No newsletter published during 2012/
- Web site: <http://www.biggargenealogy.wetpaint.com>
- Membership for 2012: 7 Members; 7 SGS Family Memberships.
- Research Services: \$25.00 for local research.
- Brochures available on the Branch and their research services.
- Special Collections: Town of Biggar Census for 1912, 1915, 1920, 1924, 1929 and 1945; assortment of Canadian National Railway Seniority Lists; CNR Retirees honoured by Biggar Terminal Retirement Association 1946 - 1991; births, marriage and deaths from *The Independent* newspaper 1913 to 1950; Obituary Index *The Independent* newspaper 1984 to 2010; obituaries on file from *The Independent* 1991 to 2007; births, deaths and marriages and other notable items from the *Landis Record* newspaper 1916, April 27 to 1937, August 25th, not indexed; 2 collections of Biggar undertaker records, indexed; 1911 Canadian Census

Index for Village of Biggar; cemetery recordings for cemeteries in the R.M. of Biggar including the Town of Biggar, R.M. of Glenside, Landis, Cando and Ruthilda. Updated Biggar Cemetery up to March of 2010 based on Town of Biggar records; 1881 Canadian Census Index CD; HOME CD; International Research Directories & the British Isles Genealogical Register; basic 'how to' books and research papers for Saskatchewan, Canada, United States, United Kingdom, Europe and Scandinavia

- Publications for sale: Obituary Index *The Independent* Biggar, Saskatchewan 1984 to 2011; Births, Deaths, Marriages from *The Independent* Biggar, Saskatchewan 1913 to 1920; Births, Deaths, Marriages from *The Independent* Biggar, Saskatchewan 1921 to 1930; Births, Deaths, Marriages from *The Independent* Biggar, Saskatchewan 1931 to 1940; Births, Deaths, Marriages from *The Independent* Biggar, Saskatchewan 1941 to 1945; Births, Deaths, Marriages from *The Independent* Biggar, Saskatchewan 1946 to 1950, Deaths from *The Independent*, Biggar, Saskatchewan 1951 to 1960 and Biggar Cemetery Directory Centennial Edition with Plot Map.
- Responded to queries and/or researches and answer queries submitted to the Biggar Museum & Gallery.
- Branch business cards left at Biggar Museum & Gallery for staff to hand out to those seeking help with their genealogy.
- Obits from *The Independent*, Biggar, SK for 2010, 2011, and 2012 have been clipped and dated but need to be indexed.
- Continue to add pages to the Biggar Heritage Album
- Donated Lovers Knot Brooch to the Biggar Museum & Gallery to raffle at their Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee High Tea and donated a QE2 Diamond Jubilee Flag for the Diamond Jubilee Exhibit in the Biggar Credit Union Gallery.

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Border - Disbanded, 2011.

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Central Butte

Meetings are held 4th Wednesday of the month (except July, August and December) - 7:30 p.m. at various locations.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$15.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 7 Members; 7 SGS Family Memberships.
- Research Services: Basic name search for \$10.00 plus expenses.

- Special Collections: Local cemetery recordings, local vital statistics, research books, school year books, Swain funeral ledger and local history books.
- No publication for sale.
- No cemeteries updated.
- Indexing obituaries for the SRI: *Herbert Herald*.
- No display promoting Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- No workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.

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Craik - Disbanded, 2011.

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Grasslands

Meetings are held 3rd Tuesday of the month (except July and August) - 7:30 p.m. at Mankota RM office.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$6.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 13 Members; 9 SGS Family Memberships.
- Research Services: \$6.00 plus \$1.00 fee and self-addressed stamped envelope.
- Special Collections: (LDS) Family History Locality Catalog, OCFA, Archives of Ontario holdings, local history books; telephone books; local R.M. maps and local cemetery recordings.
- Publication for sale: Cemetery recordings for 6 RM's in south west Saskatchewan.
- Updated cemeteries for 6 RM's in south west Saskatchewan.
- No displays promoting Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- No workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.
- Clip local obituaries - *Swift Current Booster*.

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Grenfell

Meetings are held 3rd Tuesday of the month (January, April, June, October and November) - 2:00 p.m. at the Grenfell Regional Library.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012 14 Members; 9 SGS Family Memberships.
- Research Services: As requested and where possible - no set fee, however donations are accepted.
- Special Collections: Microfilms of back copies of the *Grenfell Sun*. Some microfiche (IGI), copies of cemeteries that the Branch has recorded, some newsletters received from other branches, and a copy of the book *Canada in the 1840's: The Nations Illustrated Diary*.
- Recorded cemeteries.
- No publications for sale.
- Display promoting Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshops/programs presented at Branch meetings.

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Moose Jaw

Meetings are held 4th Tuesday of the month (except July, August and December) - 7:00 p.m. at Moose Jaw Public Library (Herb Taylor Room) - 461 Langdon Crescent.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 22 Members; 16 SGS Family Memberships.
- Website:
<http://www.rootsweb.com/~skmjbsgs/index.htm>
- Research Services: Donations accepted.
- Special Collections: Henderson Directories; Genealogical Research Directories; Cemetery Records – Sunset, Resthaven and Rosedale; complete birth and obituary notices from the *Moose Jaw Times Herald* and a complete list and CD of students, teachers, trustees of Victoria School (1896-1968). NEW: Photos of all headstones in the cemeteries in Moose Jaw. Collection is located in the Archives in the Moose Jaw Public Library.
- No publications for sale.
- Updated records and photographed all headstones in the

three cemeteries in Moose Jaw. Will continue updating every year.

- Indexing obituaries for the SRI: *Moose Jaw Times Herald*.
- Responded to numerous queries and/or researches.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.
- No displays promoting branch.

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North East

Meetings are held 1st Tuesday of the month (except June to September) - 1:30 p.m. at Kerry Vickar Centre Dry Craft Room.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 16 Members; 13 SGS Family Memberships.
- Facebook – Melfort SK Genealogy.
- Research Services are done on a no charge basis by members. However, donations are accepted.
- Special Collections: Recorded Cemeteries in the area, Melfort Journal microfilm up to 2007 available for view at Melfort Library. Resource book, IGI microfiche and (LDS) Family History Library Catalog. Collection is located at the Kerry Vickar Centre. Genealogy publications, newsletters, gazetteers, etc. maintained in a section of the Melfort Library.
- Publication for sale: Cemetery records in our area.
- Indexing obituaries for the SRI: *Melfort Journal*, *Tisdale Recorder* and *Parkland Review*. Copies of actual obituaries are in binders and updated regularly and kept at the Melfort Library.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.
- No displays promoting branch.
- Responded to numerous queries and/or researches.
- Updated Mount Pleasant Cemetery

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Pangman

Meetings are held 4th Saturday of the month (January to March) at 1:30 p.m. / 4th Tuesday of the month (April to June, August to October) at 7:00 p.m. at Southeast Regional Library, Pangman.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$5.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 7 Members; 7 SGS Family Memberships.
- Brochure available.
- Research Services as required.
- Special collections: 1881 Census Great Britain, 1992 IGI.
- No publication for sale.
- Indexing obituaries for the SRI: *Radville Star*, *Deep South Star* - Ogema, Bengough Avonlea, Milestone and *Triangle News* - Coronach.
- Volunteering for SRI.
- Recording Horizon Cemetery – ongoing.
- No workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings.
- Displays promoting branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.

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Pipestone

Meetings are held 3rd Wednesday of the month (except June, to August and December) - 7:30 p.m. at Moosomin Public Library.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$20.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 16 members; 10 SGS Family Memberships.
- Research Services are limited, fees to cover expenses.
- Special collections: IGI fiche, CD-roms, cemetery records, census lists, early copies of local newspapers on microfilm, books and genealogy magazines. All in local library.
- No publication for sale.
- Recorded Sunset Memorial Gardens.
- No display to promote Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- No workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings or in the community.

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Prince Albert

Meetings are held 2nd Tuesday of the month (except July and August) - 7:30 p.m. at Lion's Club Room in the Optimist Center, Exhibition Grounds. Occasionally meet at an alternate location.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$15.00.
- Publish an electronic newsletter on an irregular basis.
- Membership for 2012: 28 Members; 16 SGS Family Memberships.
- Brochure available.
- Web site: <http://www.carswells.com/gene/>. It is inactive and only posted to allow access to past newsletters, etc.
- Research services - offer limited research - lookups of obituaries, cemetery records, people listed in city directories and family histories in community history books. Fees are negotiable depending on time and resources involved.
- Special collection (s): Hamilton Funeral Home Records April 3, 1919 - September 25, 1944. Contact Branch for information.
- Publications for sale. Contact Branch for information.
- No cemetery recording.
- Indexing obituaries and death notices from the *Prince Albert Daily Herald*, *Prince Albert Rural Roots*, *Prince Albert Shopper*, *Shellbrook Chronicle* and the *Spiritwood Herald* for 2012 and will also for 2013. Also index obituaries from Beau "Lac" Funeral Home, Fedusiak Funeral Home, MacKenzie Chapel – Northern Funeral Services Ltd., and Gray's Funeral Chapel.
- Clip and keep on file the obituaries from the *Prince Albert Rural roots*, *Prince Albert Shopper*, *Shellbrook Chronicle* and the *Spiritwood Herald* newspapers. In addition we electronically file the obituaries from the *Prince Albert Daily Herald*, the *Smeaton & District News*, from Beau "Lac" Funeral Home, Fedusiak Funeral Home, MacKenzie Chapel – Northern Funeral Services Ltd., and Gray's Funeral Chapel.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings. No requests to present any in the community.
- Volunteering for the SRI.
- No display promoting Branch. Brochures posted in numerous locations around the city
- Responded to numerous queries and/or researches.

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Quill Plains - Disbanded, 2011.

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Regina

Meetings are held at the SGS Library, 110 - 1514 11th Avenue. They are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month (except June, July & Aug. & Dec.) - 7:00 p.m.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Publish a quarterly newsletter called *Now and Then*.
- Membership for 2012: 53 Members; 46 SGS Family Memberships.
- Brochure available from the branch or SGS.
- Web site: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~canrbgs/>
- Research services: Contact Branch or visit website.
- No Special Collections.
- Publications for Sale: Census Lists for District of Assiniboia East, West, District of Saskatchewan and Albert for 1891.
- Recorded eight cemeteries in RM 127 and 128.
- No displays to promote Branch.
- Volunteering for the SRI.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings.

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Saskatoon

Meetings are held 3rd Thursday of the month (except July and August) - 7:00 p.m. at Albert Community Centre, 610 Clarence Avenue S, 3rd floor.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$20.00.
- Publish a newsletter five times called *Armchair Genealogist*.
- Membership for 2012: 53 members; 46 SGS Family Memberships.
- Brochure available.
- Web site: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~sksgs/>
- Research Services: See web site for details.
- Special Collections: Obituaries for Germans from Russia in the Young, Allan, and Colonsay area, Volumes 1 & 2 (volume 3 is in progress). Church Maps of Nova Scotia for the Counties of Annapolis, Halifax and Hants. The Crown Land Grant Maps for the Counties of Annapolis, Halifax and Hants. The branch has numerous books, maps and microfiche. Contact the branch for a complete

list or visit web site.

- No publications for sale.
- Recorded two cemeteries in Cudworth.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Had displays promoting Branch.
- Received a \$750.00 grant from the City of Saskatoon for Family Search Workshop.

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South East

Meetings are held 4th Monday of the month 7:30 p.m. Carnduff Library - March, May, September & November; Oxbow Library - April & October.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$7.50.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 10 Members; 7 SGS Family Memberships.
- Research Services: Available on request. Fees will be charged based on expenses involved.
- Special Collections: Various books, newsletters, and maps. Contact branch for a complete list of collection.
- No publications for sale.
- Indexing obituaries for the SRI: *Oxbow Herald*, *Carnduff Gazette*, and *Carlyle Observer*.
- No workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings.
- No displays to promote Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.

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Swift Current

Meetings are held 4th Monday of the month (except June to August and December) - 7:00 p.m. at 321 North Railway Street East (basement).

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Published no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 28 Members; 25 SGS Family Memberships.
- Research Services: On-line research and local sources
- Special collections: Local obituaries, 30 community history books, some cemetery records, 1964 telephone books and the *Swift Current Sun* on microfilm 1904-

1975.

- No publications for sale.
- No cemeteries recorded.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.
- No display promoting Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Held a one day seminar on Archives in Saskatchewan.

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West Central

Meetings are held 3rd Tuesday of the month (April to June & September to November) - 9:30 a.m. at Wheatland Regional Library.

- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 3 Members; 3 SGS Family Memberships.
- Research Services: Contact Branch for a brochure on services available. \$15.00.
- Special Collections: Local history books, telephone directories, cemetery transcriptions, microfilm - *Eston Press Review* on microfilm 1916-2005, (LDS) Family History Catalog on fiche, obituaries, and Census for Eston.
- No publications for Sale.
- Recorded no cemeteries.
- No workshops/presentations were held at the Branch meetings or in the community.
- No displays promoting Branch.

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Weyburn

Meetings are held 3rd Tuesday of the month (except July and August, unless otherwise specified) - 6:30 p.m. at Weyburn Public Library.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 9 Members; 9 SGS Family Memberships
- Brochure available from the branch or SGS.

- Research Services: \$10.00 plus postage and photocopying charges. Regular mail enquiries please send a self-addressed stamped envelope.
- Special Collections: How to books, history books, atlases, directories, census reels for various years and locations, Family Tree Maker program, and microfilm reels of *Weyburn Review* 1943-1961. All located at the Weyburn Public Library.
- Publications for sale: Weyburn – From the Roots Up – cd.
- Recorded no cemeteries.
- Volunteering for the SRI.
- Indexing obituaries for the SRI: *Weyburn Review*.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.
- Had displays promoting Branch.

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Yorkton

Meetings are held 2nd Tuesday of the month (except July and August) - 7:00 p.m. at the Western Development Museum. (We will decide if we will be meeting there in the fall).

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2012: 16 Members; 13 SGS Family Memberships.
- Brochure available.
- Web site: <http://sgsyorkton.chapter.wordpress.com/>
- Some research services offered - contact branch.
- Special Collections: Collection of local history books, maps, directories, microfilm and fiche of local newspapers and many others - all are held in the Ernest Bauerle History Room at the Public Library.
- Publications for sale: contact Branch.
- Numerous cemeteries transcribed and updated in area.
- Had displays promoting Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of Saskatchewan Genealogical Society

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Saskatchewan Genealogical Society, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2012 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Saskatchewan Genealogical Society as at December 31, 2012 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Comparative Information

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements which describes that Saskatchewan Genealogical Society adopted Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations on January 1, 2012 with a transition date of January 1, 2011. These standards were applied retrospectively by management to the comparative information in these financial statements, including the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2011 and January 1, 2011 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2011 and related disclosures. We were not engaged to report on the restated comparative information, and as such, it is unaudited in that respect.

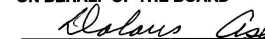
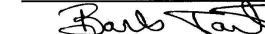
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March 2, 2013


Dudley & Company
Chartered Accountants LLP

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2012

| | December 31 2012 | December 31 2011 | January 1 2011 |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| ASSETS | | | |
| CURRENT | | | |
| Cash (Note 4) | \$ 99,502 | \$ 31,765 | \$ 82,679 |
| Accounts receivable | 2,063 | 2,595 | 2,544 |
| Inventory | 5,813 | 7,423 | 9,050 |
| | <u>107,378</u> | <u>41,783</u> | <u>94,273</u> |
| CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 5) | <u>4,251</u> | <u>5,138</u> | <u>5,853</u> |
| | <u>\$ 111,629</u> | <u>\$ 46,921</u> | <u>\$ 100,126</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS | | | |
| CURRENT | | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 3,370 | \$ 5,093 | \$ 6,204 |
| Deferred revenue (Note 6) | 116,114 | 49,876 | 101,421 |
| | <u>119,484</u> | <u>54,969</u> | <u>107,625</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | | |
| Surplus (deficit) | (7,855) | (8,048) | (7,499) |
| | <u>\$ 111,629</u> | <u>\$ 46,921</u> | <u>\$ 100,126</u> |

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

 Director
 Director

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Statement of Operations
Year Ended December 31, 2012

| | 2012 | 2011 |
|---|----------------|-----------------|
| REVENUE | | |
| Administration | \$ 206,636 | \$ 204,519 |
| Programs | <u>48,440</u> | <u>54,656</u> |
| | 255,076 | 259,175 |
| EXPENSES | | |
| Administration | 176,707 | 170,572 |
| Membership communications | 6,525 | 13,317 |
| Programs | 64,938 | 66,794 |
| Travel and meetings | <u>6,713</u> | <u>9,041</u> |
| | 254,883 | 259,724 |
| EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES | \$ 193 | \$ (549) |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Statement of Changes in Net Assets
Year Ended December 31, 2012

| | 2012 | 2011 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| Net assets - beginning of year, previously reported | \$ (18,133) | \$ (17,584) |
| Prior period adjustment - note 9 | <u>10,085</u> | <u>10,085</u> |
| Net assets - beginning of year, restated | (8,048) | (7,499) |
| Excess of revenue over expenses | <u>193</u> | <u>(549)</u> |
| NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR | \$ (7,855) | \$ (8,048) |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

**Statement of Cash Flows
Year Ended December 31, 2012**

| | 2012 | 2011 |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| CASH FLOWS FROM (FOR) OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Cash receipts from members and programs | \$ 88,374 | \$ 130,832 |
| Cash receipts from Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund | 233,255 | 76,525 |
| Cash paid to suppliers and employees | (251,143) | (255,389) |
| Interest paid | 217 | 222 |
| Cash Flows From (For) Operating Activities | <u>70,703</u> | <u>(47,810)</u> |
| CASH FLOWS FROM (FOR) INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Purchase of capital assets | <u>(2,966)</u> | <u>(3,104)</u> |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents during the year | 67,737 | (50,914) |
| CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR | <u>31,765</u> | <u>82,679</u> |
| CASH - END OF YEAR (Note 4) | \$ 99,502 | \$ 31,765 |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

**Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2012**

1. FIRST TIME ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTING STANDARDS FOR NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Part III of the *CICA Handbook - Accounting* ("Part III"). The Saskatchewan Genealogical Society's (the "society") first reporting period using Part III is for the year ended December 31, 2012. As a result, the date of transition to Part III is January 1, 2011. The society presented financial statements under its previous Canadian generally accepted accounting principles ("CGAAP") annually to December 31 of each fiscal year up to, and including, December 31, 2011.

As these financial statements are the first financial statements for which the society has applied Part III, the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions set out in Section 1501 of Part III, First-time Adoption by Not-for-Profit Organizations. Section 1501 provides organizations with certain exemptions to the principle that an organization's opening statement of financial position shall comply with Part III. The Society has not elected to use any of the exemptions upon adoption of Part III, resulting in no changes to beginning equity nor restatement of any assets and liabilities.

2. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society is incorporated under the Non-Profit Corporations Act of Saskatchewan. The society's principal activity is the promotion and development of the study, research, and preservation of genealogy and family history in Saskatchewan. The society is a non-profit organization within the meaning of the Income Tax Act and is therefore exempt from income taxes.

3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Inventory

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value.

Capital assets

Capital assets are stated at cost less accumulated amortization. Capital assets are amortized over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis at the following rates:

| | | |
|--------------------|-----|----------------------|
| Equipment | 20% | straight-line method |
| Computer equipment | 40% | straight-line method |

Capital assets acquired during the year but not placed into use are not amortized until they are placed into use.

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2012

3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue recognition

Revenues from grants and other sources that relate to specific projects are recognized as revenue when the related expenses are incurred. Other grants and donations are recorded as revenue in the fiscal period to which they apply. Memberships, subscriptions and sales are recognized in the fiscal period in which the services are rendered. Miscellaneous items are recognized as revenue when received.

The society follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions, therefore amounts received on account of revenue to be recognized in future fiscal periods are recorded as deferred revenue.

Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Such estimates are periodically reviewed and any adjustments necessary are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Contributed goods and services

The society's operations are partly dependent on contributed goods and services. Board members and other volunteers contribute a variety of their services on a regular basis. Some suppliers may also make contributions, in the form of reduced rates or other in-kind goods and services. Contributed goods and services are not recognized in these financial statements.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Of the GST paid, 50% is eligible for rebate (100% on books) by virtue of the society's charitable status. This GST is reported as an expense, with the refund receivable being recognized by recording revenue. This policy is not in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations which require a netting of the two.

4. CASH

| | 2012 | 2011 |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Petty cash | \$ 50 | \$ 50 |
| Cashable term deposits | 15,480 | 29,763 |
| Chequing | 83,971 | 1,951 |
| Unrestricted savings | 1 | 1 |
| | <u>\$ 99,502</u> | <u>\$ 31,765</u> |

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2012

5. CAPITAL ASSETS

| | Cost | Accumulated amortization | 2012 Net book value | 2011 Net book value |
|------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Computer equipment | \$ 15,878 | \$ 13,907 | \$ 1,971 | \$ 1,142 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 38,728 | 36,448 | 2,280 | 3,996 |
| | <u>\$ 54,606</u> | <u>\$ 50,355</u> | <u>\$ 4,251</u> | <u>\$ 5,138</u> |

6. DEFERRED REVENUES

Deferred revenue is comprised of the following:

| | 2012 | 2011 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Subscriptions | \$ 280 | \$ 200 |
| Memberships | 22,765 | 15,965 |
| Sask Trust Grants | 80,300 | - |
| Specified donations | 10,096 | 6,254 |
| Ministry of Justice cemeteries grant | 2,673 | 27,457 |
| | <u>\$ 116,114</u> | <u>\$ 49,876</u> |

7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS - MEASUREMENT AND IMPAIRMENT

The society initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. The society subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for investments, if any, in equity instruments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value. Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash and accounts receivable. Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost include accounts payable. At the end of each reporting period, the society assesses whether there are any indications that a financial asset measured at amortized cost may be impaired, and if so, reduces the carrying amount accordingly.

8. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS - RISK EXPOSURES

Like any entity, the society is potentially exposed to various risks through its financial instruments and has a risk management framework to monitor, evaluate and manage these risks. These include credit, liquidity, market, currency, interest rate and other price risks. None of these risk exposures are considered by management to be material, and there have been no changes in the society's risk exposures from the prior year.

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2012

9. PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

The society has recorded an adjustment to correct its balance of deferred special purchase donations. It is estimated that the correction mostly pertains to periods prior to those presented in these financial statements and therefore only the opening equity has been adjusted with no effect on presented revenues. Balances have been restated accordingly.

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Schedule of Revenue **(Schedule 1)**
Year Ended December 31, 2012

| | 2012 | 2011 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| ADMINISTRATION | | |
| Grants - Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund - AGF | \$ 152,955 | \$ 146,050 |
| Memberships | 37,475 | 39,925 |
| Interest | 217 | 222 |
| Donations - general | 6,990 | 4,974 |
| Raffles | 6,188 | 8,760 |
| Expense recovery - GST refundable portion | 1,563 | 2,229 |
| Misc revenue | 1,248 | 2,359 |
| Total Administration Revenue | <u>\$ 206,636</u> | <u>\$ 204,519</u> |
| PROGRAMS | | |
| Cemetery maintenance fund | \$ 32,911 | \$ 34,934 |
| Saskatchewan resident index | 30 | 45 |
| Subscriptions | 4,176 | 6,766 |
| Research | 2,923 | 3,825 |
| Education, workshops and certification | 750 | 1,665 |
| Special purchases donation | 1,417 | 233 |
| Cemetery | 419 | 382 |
| Pioneer certificate | 203 | 485 |
| Seminar and annual meeting | 1,285 | 350 |
| Profit on sales and publications | 1,838 | 754 |
| Advertising | 90 | 34 |
| Other specified donations | 1,745 | 3,417 |
| Women Pioneer book | 653 | 1,766 |
| Total Program Revenue | <u>\$ 48,440</u> | <u>\$ 54,656</u> |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Schedule of Expenses

(Schedule 2)

Year Ended December 31, 2012

| | 2012 | 2011 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| ADMINISTRATION | | |
| Salaries | \$ 115,320 | \$ 116,793 |
| Benefits | 23,210 | 22,279 |
| Staff development | - | 153 |
| Amortization | 3,853 | 3,819 |
| Rent | 11,469 | 11,469 |
| Caretaking | 2,578 | 574 |
| Printing and copying | 9,585 | 2,974 |
| G.S.T. | 1,508 | 2,183 |
| Telephone and communications | 2,351 | 2,699 |
| Office supplies | 1,050 | 1,094 |
| Maintenance and repairs | 748 | 392 |
| Office sundry | 653 | 1,624 |
| Membership | 435 | 803 |
| Bank charges | 851 | 834 |
| Fees - membership | 176 | 32 |
| - professional | 2,096 | 2,042 |
| Insurance | 824 | 808 |
| Total Personnel, Office and Corporate (Administration) Expenses | <u>\$ 176,707</u> | <u>\$ 170,572</u> |
| TRAVEL AND MEETINGS | | |
| Committee expense | \$ 11 | \$ - |
| Staff travel | 1,807 | 4,116 |
| Volunteers travel | 2,713 | 3,640 |
| Membership meetings, seminar | 2,078 | 687 |
| Board meetings | 104 | 598 |
| Total Travel and Meetings Expense | <u>\$ 6,713</u> | <u>\$ 9,041</u> |
| MEMBERSHIP COMMUNICATIONS | | |
| Promotion | \$ 1,322 | \$ 725 |
| Bulletins - printing | 2,632 | 6,495 |
| - postage | 1,814 | 5,242 |
| - supplies | 757 | 855 |
| Total Membership Communications Expense | <u>\$ 6,525</u> | <u>\$ 13,317</u> |

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Schedule of Expenses *(continued)*

(Schedule 2)

Year Ended December 31, 2012

| | | |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| PROGRAMS | | |
| Rent | \$ 11,470 | \$ 11,470 |
| Library resources | 40 | 232 |
| Subscriptions | 4,837 | 6,173 |
| Subscription databases | 155 | 948 |
| Postage | 4,209 | 1,935 |
| Supplies and bookbinding | 114 | 923 |
| Printing | 327 | 314 |
| Research | 271 | 3,909 |
| Total Library | <u>21,423</u> | <u>25,904</u> |
| Annual appeal | 5 | 2 |
| Special purchases | 158 | 233 |
| Obituary files | 33 | 5 |
| Awards recognition | - | 53 |
| Saskatchewan resident index | 2 | 40 |
| VAM - databases | 2,686 | 7,220 |
| Cemetery | 106 | 232 |
| United Church project | 197 | - |
| Education, workshops and certification | 1,707 | 1,154 |
| Branch administration | 3 | 4 |
| Cemetery maintenance fund | 32,720 | 19,934 |
| Pioneer certificate | - | 40 |
| Pioneer Women book, cost of sales | 379 | 1,127 |
| Society review | - | 9,283 |
| Raffle | 5,519 | 1,563 |
| Total Programs Expense | <u>\$ 64,938</u> | <u>\$ 66,794</u> |

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Fundraising Campaign

SGS received the following donations from January 1, 2012 - December 31, 2012

DONATION 2012

Friends (\$10-49)

Chuck Alton
Brenda Andreas
Florence Arlitt
Greg Arnott
Richard Blayone
Dan Buchanan
Marge Bullock
Barbara Coulter
Bev & Margaret Culbertson
Margaret J. Debenham
Frances deMontreuil
Margaret & Stan Fielden
Darryl Ford
Arlene Frolick
Dianne Gradin
Donna Halliday
Donna Hogan
Vera Holmes
Stephanie Kripps
Lesley MacKinnon
Daniel P. Massey
Thelma Mattson
Irene Nicholson
Gloria Onstad
Lloyd O. Redick
Grace Porter
Myrna Schebel
Glenn Schmuland
Gloria Taylor
Jane Wallace-Brown

Fellows (\$50-99)

Bonnie Downing
Beth Foster
Laura Hanowski
Celeste Rider
Margaret Smith
Colin Swift
Diane Tiessen

Associate (\$100-499)

Tom Bunker
Margaret Clarke
J. Barr Godkin
Terence Gordon
Edward M. Novocosky
Rene Stock
Verna Thompson

DONATION 2013

Friends (\$10-49)

Vi Appleton
Joan Bahnman
Isabel Bailey
Donna Barber
Marge Bullock
Sharon Cleveland
Margaret J. Debenham
Vernon C. Fowke
Theresa Franks
Terence Gordon
Ilene A. Johnston
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Mildred Morrison
Greg Nelson
Gaye Obst
Gloria Onstad
Bill O'Shea
Suzanne Pelletier
Joanne Peterson
G. Allan Petrie
Ann Phillips
Ruth Preikschat
Glenn Schmuland
Katharine Schulz
Jaclyn Shanks
Marene Stevenson
Town of Herbert
W. Verne & Thelma E. Turner
Ken E. Yung

Fellows (\$50-99)

Eugene & Marie Blahut
John Callsen
LaDene Hamilton
Donna Hogan
Beatrice Johnson
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Jim Lamb
Fran Reiss
Judith Thomas
Len Wittig

Associate (\$100-499)

Virginia Baribeau
Rose Edna Brenner
Evelyn M. Brown
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Barr Godkin

Phyllis Kowalchuk
M. L. & Dorothy Lockhart
Robert L. Mirwald
SGS Biggar Branch
Myrna Helen Sprecker

BULLETIN POSTAGE 2012

Friends (\$10-49)

Joyce Anaka
Greg Arnott
Isabel Bailey
Reta & Kenn Barker
H. Leverne & Rene Baxter
Marge Bullock
Bev & Maragaret Culbertson
Margaret J. Debenham
Frances deMontreuil
Bonnie Downing
Dianne Gradin
Karen Stephens
Peter Gregoire
Tammy G. Guldbransen
Beverly Gutenberg
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John Klatt
Elaine Kozakavich
Carol LaFayette-Boyd
Lorna Maragliano
Marlene Martin
Lesley MacKinnon
Gloria Onstad
Lloyd O. Redick
Ruth P. Scott
Gwen Spearman
Marene Stevenson
Jean (Jane) S. Wallace
Ian Wilson

Patrons (\$1000 or more)

Magnificent Kitchens –
Ralph Harris

BULLETIN POSTAGE 2013

Friends (\$10-49)

Larry Adams
Tom & Eileen Atkins
Virginia Baribeau
Reta & Kenn Barker
H. Leverne & Rene Baxter
Catherine Bowles

Shirley Brennan
Rose Edna Brenner
Evelyn M. Brown
Sharon Cleveland
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Joyce Edgington
Enid Edwards
Vernon C. Fowke
Muryl Geary
Glenda Gunn
LaDene Hamilton
Donna Hogan
Clarence Janke
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Stephanie Kripps
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Shirley Payne
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Lloyd O. Redick
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Pauline Rousseau
Hugh F. Schnell
Elaine Schrader
Katharine Schulz
Don Tomlinson
Town of Herbert
Ian Wilson

BULLETIN POSTAGE 2014

Friends (\$10-49)

Sharon Cleveland
Lawrence Kolmatycki
G. Allan Petrie

POSTAL

Friends (\$10-49)

Greg Arnott
Alice Burke
Linda Calvin
Margaret Culbertson
Sherry Fortin

Vera (Jackie) Hobbs
Thelma Mattson
Myrna Schebel
Marlene Thompson

Associate (\$100-499)

SPECIAL PURCHASE

Friends (\$10-49)

Ian Brace
Thelma Caldwell
Shirley Gerlock
Gail Milton
Jennie Speir

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James & Mary Driver – *for*
Jack Wilson
SGS Weyburn Branch – *for*
Elnora Olan and Gordon
Fleming
Marlene Yurowski – *for*
Elnora Olan

Zichydorf Collection

Margaret Beler
Elsbeth Dormuth
Doug Kaip
Kathy Kratt
Adrian Johnson

SHELVING UNITS

Friends (\$10-49)

Lillian Rediger

Fellows (\$50-99)

Leverne Baxter
Mona Morrow
H. Doreen Murray

Associate (\$100-499)

Peggy Brown
Rae W. Chamberlain
Della Sanders

SLIP PRINTER

Associate (\$100-499)

Richard & Elizabeth Moffat

Partners (\$500-999)

Laura Hanowski

BAR CODE LABELS

Patrons (\$1000 or more)

SGS Swift Current Branch

BAR CODE READER

Partners (\$500-999)

Magnificent Kitchens –
Ralph Harris

SGS Presidents

| | |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Duncan D. Rand | 1969 |
| Helen Boomer | 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973 |
| D'Arcy Hande | 1973 |
| Arnold Dales | 1974 |
| Dirk Hoogeveen | 1975, 1976, 1977 |
| Ramona Unilowsky | 1978 |
| Doug Dale | 1979, 1980 |
| Arnold Schroeder | 1981, 1982 |
| Robert Pittendrigh | 1983, 1984, 1985 |
| Roger Wooff | 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989 |
| Celeste Rider | 1990, 1991 |
| Peter Wyant | 1992, 1993 |
| Rae Chamberlain | 1994, 1995 |
| Marie Svedahl | 1996, 1997 |
| Janis Bohlken | 1998, 1999 |
| Arlene Frolick | 2000, 2001 |
| Bev Weston | 2002, 2003 |
| Rocky Sample | 2004, 2005 |
| Janis Bohlken | 2006, 2007 |
| Lindy Kasperski | 2008 |
| Chuck Alton | 2009, 2010 |
| Verna Thompson | 2011, 2012 |

Did you know?

- » The SGS was formed in 1969.
- » There are approximately 1,200 Society members.
- » There are 18 branches around the province.
- » 35% of our total membership live in rural areas.
- » SGS operates the largest genealogical lending library in Canada. An average of 2,200 people visit the library each year including visitors from around the world.
- » SGS receives over 3,750 phone calls for genealogical information per year. There have been calls from Australia, England, Germany, Sweden, Greece and throughout Canada and the United States.
- » SGS receives over 4,000 requests by e-mail for genealogical information per year.
- » Saskatchewan Resident's Index (SRI) was the first database of its kind in Canada.
- » There are over 3.1 million names on our SRI. Total of all databases is approximately 5 million names.
- » SGS's instructors and record searcher certification program is the first of its kind in Canada.
- » SGS is the second largest genealogical society in Canada.
- » SGS averages approximately 175,000 visitors per year to our home page on the web.
- » SGS works with a number of Aboriginal groups throughout western Canada who are helping people to trace their heritage.
- » SGS cemetery records are recognized as a key resource in preserving cultural heritage of a community.
- » SGS home page received an award for Favourite Family History Web Site by Ancestry.com of Salt Lake City 1999.
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