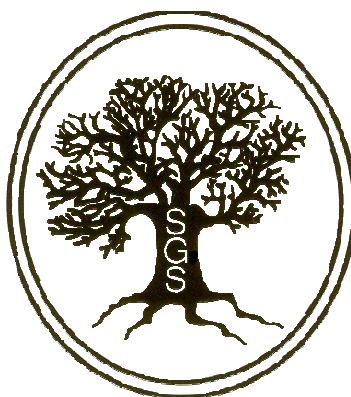


# Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Inc.

# ANNUAL REPORT

# 2014



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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: Barb Tait & Verna Thompson



The past year has been a challenging year for SGS. Due to the financial situation and the limited resources available, the Board made the difficult decision to cancel the April 2015 conference.

The conference was cancelled for this year but we are required to hold our AGM - Annual General meeting in April each year. The AGM is being held on April 18, 2015, details and registration information has been emailed to members and branches. Please join us then as there are two great speakers in the morning followed by the AGM in the afternoon. There will be information regarding the Organizational Review presented so your attendance and participation is very much needed.

The conference has been rescheduled to April 2016 and Deanne is in the process of finding a venue so we can finalize the date. The small conference committee met on March 7th to continue the planning process. The conference committee will be sending a request to our branches and members for volunteers to assist either with the conference planning and/or assistance during the conference.

The recommendations of the Organizational Review has been provided to SaskCulture, the SGS Board and our acting Executive Director. SaskCulture will be meeting to discuss the report and in consultation with SGS decide how to proceed. The Board would like to thank all SGS members who participated in the organizational review survey. We are thankful that many of you realize that the issues facing the board are not easy ones and have stated your support. Equally reassuring to the Board is the passion and dedication that members feel for our organization and their desire for SGS to succeed.

SGS has a serious deficit which must be addressed immediately. The SGS board will have to make some difficult decisions and seeks the input and assistance of our members. We need to reduce expenses and at the same time increase our self-generated funds. If anyone has ideas about either of these areas please contact myself or the board.

On behalf of the board of SGS we express our appreciation to the dedicated work of our staff Lisa, Lisa Dawn and our acting Executive Director. Deanne has already proved to be

a valuable asset to SGS. We would also like to acknowledge the incredible group of dedicated volunteers that are the backbone of our organization.

2016 will require a great deal of time and effort as we work through the recommendations of the Organizational Review and try to address concerns of our Branches and Members. I trust with the commitment of the board, staff, branches and our members that next year's President's report will identify some very positive changes that occurred for SGS.

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## 2014 Board of Directors

### Officers

#### *President*

Barb Tait, Regina

#### *Past-President*

Verna Thompson, Eston

#### *Vice-President*

Rene Stock, Saskatoon

### *Directors*

Rita Chernoff, Sheho

Holly Schick, Regina

Sheldon Trabish, Saskatoon

Bev Gutenberg, Saskatoon

Celeste Rider, Estlin

Dolores Ast, Red Deer AB

## Executive Director's Report

By: Deanne Cairns

I am the new Acting Executive Director of the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society. I assumed the role on an interim basis on January 1, 2015 upon the retirement of Linda Dunsmore-Porter.

This is an exciting time to be joining SGS. The Organizational Review is now complete and it very clearly shows an organization in need of renewal. Renewal means opportunities and a strong focus for the future.

The current financial situation needs to be addressed as part of that renewal if SGS is to remain viable. And while grateful for the funding from Sask Lotteries through SaskCulture, as well as the generous donations, now more than ever SGS must increase its self-generated funds.

I am very impressed with the dedication to this organization by the staff, Board, branches, volunteers and members and this came through loud and clear in the Organization Review. The strength of this organization is its people and I look forward to working with all of you as we move forward.

If you have any ideas, questions or concerns you would like to share please do not hesitate to call (306) 780-9207 or email me at [ed.sgs@sasktel.net](mailto:ed.sgs@sasktel.net).

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### SGS Staff

*Executive Director -*  
Linda Dunsmore-Porter

*Librarian – Megan Ashcroft*  
(Until November 14)

*Executive Assistant - Lisa Warren*

*Admin Assistant – Lisa Dawn Matthaei*

### Volunteer Coordinators

*Education Coordinator - Vacant*

*Cemetery Program - Vacant*

*Obituary Coordinator*  
Celeste Rider

*SRI - Vacant*

*Newspaper Coordinator - Vacant*

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# SGS Programs & Services

## 1. Education

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

Two courses are available by e-course in 2014 and they are the Saskatchewan Record Searcher Course and the Aboriginal Researcher Course. There are 3 students who are taking the Saskatchewan Record Searcher Course and 2 students who are taking the Aboriginal Researcher Course.

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.

Workshops held at SGS	0 workshops 0 people
Workshops outside SGS	54 workshops 776 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

We were saddened by the passing of our lead volunteer on the Cemetery Program, Norm Stetner. Norm passed away on March 9, 2014.

In 2014, there were no new cemeteries located and no new records. There were 4 cemeteries that were updated which brings our total to 3,487 cemeteries located in the province, with records for 2,548 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 2014 was to get the records online proofed and corrected, as well as, indexing more records to be placed on the SRI and Burial Index.

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

Thank you to Pauline Boesser for continuing in helping with the Cemetery Program.

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## Obituary

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

We continue to have volunteers in the library sorting 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)

Contact SGS if you are interested in volunteering. SGS thanks all the volunteers who are sorting, indexing and proofing obituaries ... keep up the good work!

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

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## Obituary Indexing Project

By: Celeste Rider, Coordinator

In 2014, I continued to coordinate the SGS Obituary Indexing Project. This project is an index of all the obituaries in our collection. The obituaries are located in the Library and Research Room and the index is located on our website under the databases.

Several volunteers continued to dedicate a lot of their time to this project. I am pleased to say the indexing phase of the project is very near to being complete.

Indexing of all discs has been completed with the exception of the following:

P – 16 out of 19 discs completed

R – 15 out of 16 discs completed

S – 34 out of 35 discs completed

W – 20 out of 21 discs completed

In 2014, the scanning was completed, with the exception of new obituaries added to the collection since the project began.

The SGS is grateful to all of the volunteers who have worked on this project by scanning and indexing obituaries. I look forward to working with past and new volunteers needed to do the proofing of the database and linking the obituary images to the index once this phase of the project is ready to be launched.

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## Saskatchewan Residents Index (SRI)

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

The main focus for 2014 was to complete some items that were registered and partially indexed or never done. 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.

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

Accomplishments were:

- Total sources registered: 916
- Total books (including local histories): 782
- Total SGS files: 60
- Total government documents: 10
- Total maps: 15
- Total newspapers: 49
- Items totally completed: 283

**Grand Total records on SRI DATABASE - 3,245,563**

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## 2.2 Collection

### Library

By: Lisa Dawn Matthaeci

Library Statistics:

Total value of the collection in 2014:	388,314
As compared to 2013:	388,314
As compared to 2012:	381,309

The staff was busy for a couple of months culling duplicate copies in our collection. At the same time we finished downsizing our periodical collection. We only keep the last ten years (this does not include the European magazines). The total value of the collection for 2014 is the same as 2013.

For 2014 there are no new numbers available for books due to the culling of resources. There is a large number of resources from 2014 that will be added to the collection in 2015 and will be added to the 2015 stats.

The SGS Library Collection consists of:

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Books	21,696	21,894	n/a
Microform	35,748	35,748	35,748
Maps	603	605	605
CD/DVD	80	80	83

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

- 73 periodicals were exchanged with other societies
- 4 periodicals were donated/sponsored by individual SGS members
- 7 periodicals were received by subscription

We continue to receive more publications electronically.

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

- 12 people donated 31 items
- 3 organizations (genealogical societies, libraries, historical societies, and publishing companies) donated 41 items

Thank you to everyone who continues to donate mailing boxes, bubble bags and funds to help with postage costs. This goes far to ensure that library books can continue to be mailed out to members. Please call or e-mail if you have some to donate.

### 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 2014, these programs included:

#### Library

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
Visitors to the Library	1,568	1,203
Circulation:	45,350	15,795
Packages of books mailed:	227	139
Estimated phone calls for information:	3,900	3,900
Research requests filled:	52	56
Estimated responded to e-mail:	3,900	3,900
Estimated volunteers/Hours:	5,000	5,000

Estimated 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.

Cemetery Program – Estimated total times accessed program, including recording and locating cemeteries – 2,000.

Obituary File – Estimated total times program accessed information – 2,000.

SRI – Estimated total times program accessed – 1,000.

Conference – No conference in 2014.

Annual General Meeting - 33 people attended the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The attendees participated in all discussions.

Bulletin – Was published 3 times a year (April, August and December) to our membership and subscribers. It provides

education on research and information on SGS activities. Circulation for 2014 was 854 per issue or a total of 2562 copies. There were 412 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 776. This includes workshops on contract.

Education - Certification program is available to the public, however, only members may be certified. Two courses are offered by e-course.

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 2014.

SGS Home Page – Estimated number of visitors during 2014 to home page and supplemental pages – 175,000.

Volunteer Recognition – Annual Heritage Volunteer Award was presented to Pauline Boesser of Regina.

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## Committees

### Conference

No Conference in 2014.

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### Newspaper Publication

The volumes for the casualties of World War I have been completed and all entries are being double checked. 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. To volunteer for this project, please contact the SGS office.

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### Summer Camp

The Summer Camp was not offered in 2014.



## 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 Cultural Policy**

Approximately 69% 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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## 2014 SGS Membership

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

The final membership for 2014 was 754 a decrease of 4 members over the 2013 final membership total. Senior citizens represent 55% of the total paid membership. The following is a geographical analysis of the membership in 2014 showing the widespread interest in the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society.

### SASKATCHEWAN

Total membership – 536 representing 114 communities.

*Communities represented by more than 10 memberships - (347 members/7 communities).*

Melfort (14), Moose Jaw (26), Prince Albert (15), Regina (163), Saskatoon (90), Swift Current (23), Yorkton (16).

*Communities represented by 3-9 memberships - (79 members/18 communities).*

Battleford (3), Biggar (7), Briercrest (3), Carnduff (6), Central Butte (6), Estevan (3), Eston (3), Kindersley (3), Lashburn (3), Lumsden (3), Mankota (4), Moosomin (6), North Battleford (3), Ogema (5), Oxbow (5), Regina Beach (4), Rosetown (3), Weyburn (9)

*Communities represented by 2 memberships - (42 members/21 communities).*

Balcarres, Balgonie, Christopher Lake, Creelman, Grenfell, Hanley, Kelvington, Kennedy, Lake Lenore, Loon Lake, Lloydminster, Maple Creek, Maryfield, Meadow Lake, Milestone, Outlook, Rouleau, Tisdale, Unity, Wawota, Webb,

*Communities represented by 1 membership (68 members/communities).*

Admiral, Alameda, Aneroid, Assiniboia, Avonlea, Bethune, Borden, Bredenbury, Cabri, Carlyle, Ceylon, Cochin, Colonsay, Corman Park, Coronach, Creighton, Cudworth, Cupar, Dundurn, Dysart, Eyebrow, Fort Qu'Appelle, Herbert, Humboldt, Indian Head, Kamsack, Kerrobert, Kinistino, Kisbey, Lacadena, Laird, Langham, Lestock, Lintlaw, Macklin, Maidstone, Manitou Beach, Martensville, McCord, Melville, Monmartre, Nokomis, Osler, Pangman, Pennant, Pilot Butte, Porcupine Plaine, Raymore, Redvers, Rhein, Richlea, Rocanville, Ruthilda, Sheho, Shellbrook, Sifton, Simpson, Southey, Springside, St. Walburg, Sturgis, Tyner, Waldheim, Warman, Watson, White City, Whitewood, Willowbrook,

### OTHER PROVINCES OF CANADA

There is a total of 204 members representing 106 communities.

Alberta (70), British Columbia (71), Manitoba (20), New Brunswick (2), Ontario (40), Yukon (1)

### UNITED STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES

United States 13 members / 8 communities.

Overseas 1 members / 1 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:** 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.



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## BRANCHES:

### Battleford

Meetings are held 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 2014: 9 Members; 7 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) - 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue Entrance.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$5.00.
- No newsletter published.
- Web site: <http://www.biggargenealogy.wikifoundry.com>
- Membership for 2014: 9 Members; 9 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 2014; obituaries on file from *The Independent* 1991 to 2014; births, deaths and marriages and other notable items from the *Landis Record* newspaper 1916, April 27 to 1937, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 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. Coming fall of 2014, Deaths *The Independent*, Biggar, Sask 1961-1970.
- 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.
- Clipped obits from *The Independent*, Biggar, Sk for 2013 and 2014 indexing etc. not done yet. for SRI.
- Continue to add pages to the Biggar Heritage Album
- Made donation to SGS Annual Appeal
- Made donation to Biggar Museum & Gallery
- No displays promoting the branch.

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**Border** - Disbanded, 2011.

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### Central Butte

Meetings are held 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month (except July, August and December) - 7:30 p.m. at various locations in Central Butte.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$15.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2014: 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; index to Central Butte property owners 1914-2014 and local history books.
- No publication for sale.
- Recorded three cemeteries in the RM of Rogers.
- Indexing obituaries for the SRI: *Herbert Herald*.
- Had a 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 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 2014: 11 Members; 8 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 5 RM's in south west Saskatchewan.
- No displays promoting Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings.

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**Grenfell** - Disbanded, 2014.

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## Moose Jaw

Meetings are held 4<sup>th</sup> 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 2014: 23 Members; 18 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.
- Had a display promoting branch.
- Received a grant from the City of Moose Jaw for the SGS Conference.
- Hosted the SGS Conference on October 4-6 at the Heritage Inn.

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## North East

Meetings are held 1<sup>st</sup> 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 2014: 13 Members; 11 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. This year we digitized all our obituary records for the area from 1983 to the present. CDs are available for sale. This now an ongoing project which updated on a yearly basis.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings.
- Responded to numerous queries and/or researches.
- Updated Mount Pleasant and Tisdale Cemetery.
- Had a Genealogy booth set up at the Melfort Cultural Days.

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## Pangman

Meetings are held 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month (January to March) at 1:30 p.m. / 4<sup>th</sup> 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 2014: 6 Members; 6 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, *Weyburn Review*.
- Volunteering for SRI.
- Update cemeteries in the area.
- No workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings or in the community.
- No display promoting branch.

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## Pipestone

Meetings are held 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 2014: 12 members; 8 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.
- No cemetery recording.
- Had displays to promote Branch.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.

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## Prince Albert

Meetings are held 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2014: 33 Members; 19 SGS Family Memberships.
- Brochure available.
- Now publishing *Heirlines* as an electronic newsletter on an irregular basis.
- 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 13, 1919 - September 28, 1944; Prince Albert Daily Herald Obituary & Death Notice Indexes 1982-2014; Shellbrook Chronicle Obituary Indexes 2002-2005; Wadena Obituary Indexes 202-2013. 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*, for 2014.
- Clip and keep on file the obituaries from the *Prince Albert Rural roots*, *Prince Albert Shopper*, *Shellbrook Chronicle/Spiritwood Herald* newspapers. In addition we electronically file the obituaries from the *Prince Albert Daily Herald*.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings.
- Volunteering for the SRI.
- No display promoting Branch. Brochures posted in numerous locations around the city and information is posted on the paNOW web site.
- 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 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue. They are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month (except June to August & December) - 7:00 p.m.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00 in 2014 and \$20.00 in 2015.
- Published no newsletter.
- Membership for 2014: 40 Members; 35 SGS Family Memberships.
- Brochure available from the branch or SGS.
- Web site: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~canrbsgs/>.
- 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/update cemeteries in the RM of Longlaketon #219.
- No displays to promote Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings & in the community.
- Member of branch asked to speak at the Moose Jaw Branch meeting in October talking about Family History Timelines.

## Saskatoon

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

- Branch Membership Fee: \$20.00.
- Publish a newsletter five times called *Armchair Genealogist*.
- Membership for 2014: 51 members; 45 SGS Family Memberships.
- Brochure available.
- Web site: <http://www.genealogysaskatoon.org>.
- 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 the RM of Bayne #371 and one in the RM of Grant #372.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Had displays promoting Branch.
- Mount Royal Community Association, request for booth at Community Day June 7.
- Microfilm scanner purchased jointly with Latter-Day Saints Church in Saskatoon and it is situated at the Family History Centre for everyone to use.

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## South East

Meetings are held 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month 2:00 p.m. – January to March & November; 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm – April, May, September & October. Locations will alternate between Oxbow and Carnduff Libraries.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$7.50.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2014: 15 Members; 9 SGS Family Memberships.
- Research Services: Available on request. Fees will be

charged based on expenses involved.

- Special Collections: Various books, newsletters, and maps. BMD records from Oxbow Herald 1905-1945 and 1965-2013. BMD index for RM3 and town of Oxbow. Contact branch for a complete list of collection.
- No publications for sale.
- Indexing obituaries for the SRI: *Oxbow Herald*, *Carnduff Gazette*, *Estevan Mercury* and *Carlyle Observer*.
- Volunteering for SRI.
- No workshops/presentations were held at the Branch meetings or in the community.
- No displays to promote Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.

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## Swift Current

Meetings are held 4<sup>th</sup> 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 2014: 27 Members; 22 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.
- One branch member presented an overview of “Getting Started in Genealogy” in Eastend in May.

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## West Central

No meetings.

- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2014: 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 2014: 9 Members; 8 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: *Glimpses of Weyburn – Centennial Edition*.

- Recorded no cemeteries.
- Volunteering for the SRI.
- Indexing obituaries for the SRI: *Weyburn Review*.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.
- Had displays promoting Branch.
- Attended the City of Weyburn's Centennial celebration to sell our pictorial commemorative book/cd. Two laptops set up to allow viewing of the pictures.
- Received a grant from the City of Weyburn for *Glimpses of Weyburn – Centennial Edition*.

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## Yorkton

Meetings are held 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month (except July and August) - 7:00 p.m. at the Yorkton Public Library, History Room.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Publish no newsletter.
- Membership for 2014: 25 Members; 19 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.
- Volunteering for the SRI.
- Transcribed and updated cemeteries in the area.
- Had displays promoting Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.
- A member of the branch writes informative articles in the local paper each month on genealogical topics.

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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, 2014 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 auditor's 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 auditors consider 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, 2014 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.

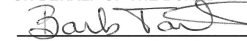

Regina, Saskatchewan  
February 17, 2015

  
Dudley & Company-CLP  
Chartered Professional Accountants

## SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2014

	2014	2013
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Cash (Note 3)	\$ 75,999	\$ 95,785
Accounts receivable	1,709	2,444
Inventory	4,578	5,078
Prepaid expenses	3,794	-
	<u>86,080</u>	<u>103,307</u>
<b>CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 4)</b>	<u>795</u>	<u>3,027</u>
	<u><b>\$ 86,875</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 106,334</b></u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 12,648	\$ 4,725
Deferred revenue (Note 5)	<u>114,468</u>	<u>120,937</u>
	<u>127,116</u>	<u>125,662</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Surplus (deficit)	<u>(40,241)</u>	<u>(19,328)</u>
	<u><b>\$ 86,875</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 106,334</b></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, 2014**

	2014	2013
<b>REVENUE</b>		
Administration	\$ 219,494	\$ 207,360
Programs	<u>18,903</u>	<u>42,693</u>
	<u>238,397</u>	<u>250,053</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Administration	213,366	210,702
Membership communications	6,580	4,574
Programs	31,226	34,645
Travel and meetings	<u>8,138</u>	<u>11,605</u>
	<u>259,310</u>	<u>261,526</u>
<b>DEFICIENCY OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES</b>	<u><b>\$ (20,913)</b></u>	<u><b>\$ (11,473)</b></u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

**SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**  
**Statement of Changes in Net Assets**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2014**

	2014	2013
<b>Net assets - beginning of year</b>	<b>\$ (19,328)</b>	<b>\$ (7,855)</b>
Deficiency of revenue over expenses	<u>(20,913)</u>	<u>(11,473)</u>
<b>NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR</b>	<u><b>\$ (40,241)</b></u>	<u><b>\$ (19,328)</b></u>

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**SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**  
**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2014**

	2014	2013
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM (FOR) OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Cash receipts from members and programs	\$ 64,702	\$ 95,231
Cash receipts from Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund	167,885	163,000
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(252,449)	(260,398)
Interest received	76	245
Cash Flows From (For) Operating Activities	<u>(19,786)</u>	<u>(1,922)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM (FOR) INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchase of capital assets	-	(1,795)
<b>Net change in cash and cash equivalents during the year</b>	<b>(19,786)</b>	<b>(3,717)</b>
CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>95,785</u>	<u>99,502</u>
<b>CASH - END OF YEAR (Note 3)</b>	<b>\$ 75,999</b>	<b>\$ 95,785</b>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

**SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2014**

**1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS**

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.

**2. 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.

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.

Comparative figures

Some instances of prior year's comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's manner of presentation.

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**SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2014**

**2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** *(continued)*

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. In the prior year, this GST was reported as an expense with the refund receivable being recognized by recording revenue. This policy was not in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not for profit organizations which require a netting of the two. In the current year, the accounting policy was changed. The GST rebates receivable are, correctly, no longer reported as revenue. The non-refundable portion of the GST, however, has been separately expensed rather than the more generally accepted method of being included in the various expenses that attracted the tax like it was in the past. Comparative figures for the different expenses, therefore, include a 2.5% GST component, while current figures include none. Comparative figures have not been restated to be on the same basis as the current ones, since it is not practicable given that virtually every expense would be affected.

**3. CASH**

	2014	2013
Petty cash	\$ 50	\$ 50
Cashable term deposits	2,801	12,725
Chequing	73,147	83,009
Unrestricted savings	1	1
	<b>\$ 75,999</b>	<b>\$ 95,785</b>

**4. CAPITAL ASSETS**

	Cost	Accumulated amortization	2014 Net book value	2013 Net book value
Computer equipment	\$ 17,673	\$ 17,312	\$ 361	\$ 1,670
Furniture and fixtures	38,728	38,294	434	1,357
	<b>\$ 56,401</b>	<b>\$ 55,606</b>	<b>\$ 795</b>	<b>\$ 3,027</b>

**SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**  
**Year Ended December 31, 2014**

**5. DEFERRED REVENUES**

Deferred revenue is comprised of the following:

	2014	2013
Subscriptions	\$ 485	\$ 480
Memberships	26,040	34,345
Sask Trust Grants	85,185	82,700
Specified donations	2,258	2,912
Seminar	500	500
	<b>\$ 114,468</b>	<b>\$ 120,937</b>

**6. 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.

**7. 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.

**8. COMMITMENTS**

The society occupies leased office space. The current lease term is from February 1, 2013 until January 31, 2018. The rates (payable at 1/12 monthly plus GST) are \$28,800 for the first year, \$31,800 for the second year, and \$34,800 for the final three years.

**SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

**Schedule of Revenue (Schedule 1)**  
Year Ended December 31, 2014

	2014	2013
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>		
Grants - Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund - AGF	\$ 165,400	\$ 160,600
Memberships	38,676	34,815
Interest	76	245
Donations - general	14,371	7,389
Expense recovery	-	1,521
Miscellaneous revenue	971	2,790
Total Administration Revenue	<u>\$ 219,494</u>	<u>\$ 207,360</u>
<b>PROGRAMS</b>		
Advertising	\$ -	\$ 455
Cemetery	160	161
Cemetery maintenance fund	-	32,173
Education, workshops and certification	2,034	1,250
Other specified donations	1,045	2,488
Pioneer certificate	380	110
Profit on sales and publications	461	1,971
Research	1,255	1,496
Saskatchewan resident index	20	15
Seminar and annual meeting	750	250
Special purchases donation	1,044	762
Subscriptions	2,002	1,136
Women Pioneer book	9,752	426
Total Program Revenue	<u>\$ 18,903</u>	<u>\$ 42,693</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

**SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

**Schedule of Expenses (Schedule 2)**  
Year Ended December 31, 2014

	2014	2013
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>		
Amortization	\$ 2,232	\$ 3,019
Bank charges	1,056	1,050
Benefits	27,886	28,846
Caretaking	2,849	2,670
Fees - corporate	50	51
Fees - professional	4,305	2,051
G.S.T - non-refundable portion	1,639	1,414
Insurance	689	968
Maintenance and repairs	238	238
Membership	470	282
Office sundry	118	1,829
Office supplies	725	1,441
Postage	1,865	-
Printing and copying	3,664	3,104
Rent	15,936	14,484
Salaries	146,254	146,893
Staff development	720	167
Telephone and communications	2,670	2,195
Total Personnel, Office and Corporate (Administration) Expenses	<u>\$ 213,366</u>	<u>\$ 210,702</u>
<b>TRAVEL AND MEETINGS</b>		
Board meetings	\$ 1,767	\$ 549
Committee expense	-	6
Membership meetings, seminar	2,040	3,183
Staff travel	3,213	5,224
Volunteers travel	1,118	2,643
Total Travel and Meetings Expense	<u>\$ 8,138</u>	<u>\$ 11,605</u>
<b>MEMBERSHIP COMMUNICATIONS</b>		
Bulletins - postage	\$ 1,120	\$ 1,998
Bulletins - printing	2,840	1,990
Promotion	2,620	586
Total Membership Communications Expense	<u>\$ 6,580</u>	<u>\$ 4,574</u>

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**SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

**Schedule of Expenses (continued)**

**(Schedule 2)**

**Year Ended December 31, 2014**

	2014	2013
<b>PROGRAMS</b>		
Library resources	\$ 44	\$ 319
Postage	754	3,403
Printing	258	885
Rent	15,935	14,484
Research	353	53
Subscription databases	2,471	2,424
Subscriptions	1,234	598
Supplies and bookbinding	223	184
Subtotal: Library	21,272	22,350
Awards recognition	20	8
BMD project	-	136
Branch administration	192	-
Cemetery	30	50
Cemetery maintenance fund	-	3,000
Education, workshops and certification	1,092	2,695
Obituary files	14	-
Pioneer Women book, cost of sales	6,407	363
Pioneer certificate	10	5
Saskatchewan resident index	29	28
Special purchases	335	135
United Church project	-	350
VAM - databases	159	1,225
Website redevelopment	1,666	4,300
Total Programs Expense	\$ 31,226	\$ 34,645

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

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## SGS Volunteer Opportunities

We have the following openings for Volunteers

### SGS Bulletin—News & Notes

- To help with extracting information from periodicals that we receive. Information is then placed in the *Bulletin*.

### SRI Indexing and Proofing

- index SGS resources as determined by the SRI Co-ordinator
- work from home
- data entry, proofing and correcting

### Obituary Database Entry

- work from home and minimal training required
- extract information from newspapers provided by SGS

### Indexing United Church Records pre-1926

- Location: Saskatchewan Archives, Saskatoon, SK
- One – two hour sessions (or longer if volunteer wishes)

For more information on these and other volunteer opportunities, please contact Lisa Warren at [saskgenealogy@sasktel.net](mailto:saskgenealogy@sasktel.net) or call 306-780-9207.

### 2016 SGS Conference

We're looking for volunteers to help out with all aspects of the SGS Conference being planned for April, 2016. You'll hear this a lot in the upcoming Bulletins. We realize that it is still a long way off, but it's never too early to start recruiting volunteers. Some of the tasks might be:

- picking up and returning speakers to the airport;
- introducing and thanking speakers;
- set-up and take down (mostly supervision, as the hotel staff will perform most of the labour),
- sponsors, exhibitors, and advertising (phone calls, personal calls, ideas); or
- maybe you'd like to be a part of the planning committee

Let us know where your interests lie and we will find a job with which you are comfortable. We would particularly welcome ideas for sponsors, exhibitors, and advertising. To volunteer or share your ideas, contact Glenn Schwartz at 306-789-4481 or [gschwartz@myaccess.ca](mailto:gschwartz@myaccess.ca).



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- » The SGS was formed in 1969.
- » There are approximately 1,131 Society members.
- » There are 16 branches around the province.
- » 24% of our total membership lives in rural areas.
- » SGS operates the largest genealogical lending library in Canada. An average of 1,203 people visited the library including visitors from around the world.
- » SGS receives over 3,900 phone calls for genealogical information per year. There have been calls from Australia, England, Germany, Sweden, Greece and throughout Canada and the United States.
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- » Saskatchewan Resident's Index (SRI) was the first database of its kind in Canada.
- » There are over 3.2 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.
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- » SGS cemetery records are recognized as a key resource in preserving cultural heritage of a community.
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