

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Inc.

ANNUAL REPORT 2020

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PROGENITORS AND PROGENY

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Inc.

Vision:

Saskatchewan genealogy and family history is respected and valued.

Mission

Our mission is to provide expertise and assistance to a wide range of people to help them participate in family history research; and to collect, preserve and deliver Saskatchewan specific genealogical records and materials.

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.

Strategic Direction 1:

SGS offers relevant programs, services, expertise and resources for family history research.

Strategic Direction 2:

SGS will work to improve technological supports for SGS and family history research.

Strategic Direction 3:

SGS is building operating capacity.

President's Report

By: Sheldon Trabish

We hope that at this time you continue to have success with your genealogy research and have had the opportunity to find the answers to your brick walls.

This last year has been interesting for us all - from being told to stay at home and flatten the curve, to the slow return to some type of normalcy. As of just recently we now have the roll out of the vaccines, with which we can possibly look forward to our new normal.

This year has seen many changes: on how we hold our board and monthly meetings; committee work; strategic planning; presentations and how we now interact as a society and even with family members. One thing we do know is that as a society we still need human contact even though genealogy doesn't require much – as people, the human contact is still important. This year certainly has been a year for adaptation for many of us.

We have seen a lot of events go virtual and be very successful. The Saskatchewan Genealogy Society has had to adapt rather quickly and still is proactive behind the scenes in arranging presentations and hosting meetings to keep us together. Thank you to the staff in Regina for all their hard work behind the scenes in arranging the smaller details of these things. A big shout out to them and board members who arranged the online 50/50 raffle fundraiser – thank you to those people who supported it by buying tickets, and to the winner. Also, the hard work in what went on behind the scenes by the executive director in getting a Coat of Arms for the Society. A big thank you to Mr. Robert Black for offering this most wonderful donation to SGS to achieve this.

We still need the support of our membership to move forward in the coming years if we are to make our goals. As our membership is the heart and soul of the Society and without this support, this last year things could have been different. A big thanks to the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation and to SaskCulture for the support that they provide to us and to other cultural organizations in the province - whether it is through funding, other resources, presentations or moral support.

If we have learned one thing this past year is that SGS can be resilient and adapt to change.

Stay safe and stay healthy. All the best in 2021 with your research.

2020 Board of Directors

Officers

President

Sheldon Trabish, Saskatoon

Vice President

Brian Scherle, Regina

Past President

Marge Cleave, Briercrest

Directors

Celeste Rider, Estlin

Doris Maben, Yorkton

Charles Matt, Saskatoon

Terri Hamill, Regina

Cindy Paradis, Saskatoon

Barb Tait, Regina

Executive Director's Report

By: Deanne Cairns

Another year has passed and it was certainly an unprecedented year due to the COVID pandemic. The society faced many challenges in 2020 – some COVID-related, and some not.

Since the middle of March, we went from total closure with staff working remotely from their homes, to opening up under strict health guidelines and limited numbers, and then back to closure again - but this time with the staff in the library and office. In 2020, our sales were down, donations were down and we were also facing a reduction in our Annual Grant Funding (AGF). Restrictions related to in-person gatherings meant the Conference being hosted by the Prince Albert Branch in April had to be cancelled and our AGM was held later than usual and virtually for the first time ever.

The Board of Directors and the staff have worked hard to continue to provide good service and value to our members and to carry on the work of the organization the best we could under the circumstances.

2020 highlights included:

- Membership was up slightly over 2019;
- SGS ended the year on strong financial footing and ready to take on the continued challenges of the pandemic in 2021;
- SGS has not yet qualified for any of the federal assistance programs, however, our landlord was very supportive and granted us two rent-free months in 2020;
- Virtual meetings are now the norm. Our Board of Directors were able to meet more often and at much less cost for Board and Committee meetings. The Policy Review Committee, Fundraising Committee and the Diversity Committee were busy in 2020;
- SGS hosted some educational presentations online and have a busy line-up of virtual presentations and presenters coming up in 2021 as well;
- Our indexing volunteers were kept busy at home and new volunteers came forward to help as people had more time on their hands;
- More students signed up for the SGS Certification Courses;
- A grant application was submitted to rebuild and enhance the SGS databases;
- The official Coat of Arms of the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society was granted and received thanks to a generous donation from one of our original members, Mr. Robert M. Black;
- A successful online 50/50 draw raised almost \$6,000 for SGS; and
- Anyone can now donate their refunds on recyclables to SGS through SARCAN's Drop n' Go program at any SARCAN location around the province.

I would like to thank our members for their loyalty, support, patience and understanding over the last year. While it is likely that 2021 will have a lot in common with 2020, we sincerely hope that you will stick with us for another outstanding year of programs, presentations, new initiatives and of course, successful searching.

SGS Staff

Executive Director - Deanne Cairns

Librarian - Vacant

Executive Assistant - Lisa Warren

Admin Assistant - Lisa Dawn Bertotti

Volunteer Coordinators

Obituary Coordinator - Celeste Rider

Education Coordinator - Vacant

Cemetery Program - Vacant

SRI Coordinator - Vacant

Newspaper Coordinator - Vacant

SGS Programs & Services

1. Education

SGS provides encouragement and instruction in scientific and ethical research methods.

Two courses are available by e-course and they are the Saskatchewan Record Searcher Course and the Aboriginal Researcher Course. There were 14 active students in 2020.

SGS and its branches continue to provide a variety of cultural and educational workshops/presentations throughout the province, and this year we added virtual presentations.

Workshops/Presentations held at SGS	6 workshops 374 people
Workshops/Presentations outside SGS	14 workshops 493 people

2. Preservation/Conservation & Collection

SGS preserves, conserves and collects materials relevant to the study of genealogy and family history by:

- advocating 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 the SGS collection.
- putting promotional brochures in archives and libraries.
- exchanging bulletins/newsletters with provincial culture and heritage organizations and other genealogical organizations..

Cemetery

SGS processes cemetery updates and new cemetery records as they are received. The total cemeteries located in the province are 3,494 and we have records for 2,574.

Volunteers continue indexing cemetery records so they can be added to the Burial Index online.

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

Obituary

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society's obituary collection consists of over 161,000 obituaries that were received from various newspapers across Saskatchewan. This collection is one of our best sources of information about former Saskatchewan residents.

Post 2001 obituaries are being indexed and added to the SRI. Please continue gathering obituaries from the papers, even if you are unable to index. All newspapers forwarded to SGS will be indexed by volunteers.

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)

Thank you to all the volunteers ... keep up the good work!

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Obituary Indexing Project

By: Celeste Rider, Coordinator

Scanning and indexing of new obituaries added to the Obituary Files collection in the SGS Library and Research Room will continue on an as need basis. This collection is to the end of 2001. The online Obituary Index will continue as resources become available. In 2020 no additional obituaries were scanned or indexed for the Obituary Index. A file of corrections to the database entries is being maintained and will be updated on an ongoing basis. Please contact me if you notice typographical errors in the Obituary Index database. This database has not been proofread against the original obituaries in the SGS Obituary Files.

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Saskatchewan Residents Index (SRI)

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

Volunteers have been busy working on sources that were previously registered and some new sources were added as well. This involved indexing, proofreading and correcting. Over 142,000 records were added to the SRI in 2020.

The following statistics do not include cemeteries on the SRI. At the end of 2020, 812 sources have been registered with the SRI. Out of this total 669 are books and local history books, 61 are files in the SGS library, 10 are government documents, 15 are maps and 57 newspapers. Out of the 812 sources registered, 367 of them are complete. Total records on SRI Database are 3,800,000.

Thank you to everyone who has helped with the SRI this year.

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Library

By: Lisa Dawn Bertotti

Library Statistics:

Total value of the collection in 2020: 394,367
As compared to 2019: 391,212
As compared to 2018: 387,503

The SGS Library Collection consists of:

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Books	22,938	22,884	22,583
Microform	25,765	25,765	25,765
Maps	710	710	704
CD/DVD	150	130	129

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

- **54** periodicals were exchanged with other societies
- **1** periodicals were donated/sponsored by individual SGS members
- **5** periodicals were received by subscription

Members and organizations continue to generously make donations of books, microform, maps, and CD's to the Library. Ten people and one organization donated 55 items to the SGS Library in 2020.

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



SGS Library and Research Room

Research

By: Celeste Rider, Research Coordinator

Below is a list of researches done by the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society. Numbers have changed drastically due to conditions beyond the Society's control, i.e., closure of the Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan due to their move to a new facility; and restrictions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Aboriginal Search	5	1	3	2
Basic Search of Saskatchewan Records	14	9	21	6
SGS Databases (broken down below)		9	2	9
<i>Saskatchewan Residents Index (SRI)</i>	17	3	1	4
<i>Burial Index</i>	--	1	1	4
<i>Obituary Index</i>	--	5	--	1
Cemetery Files	21	13	20	13
Obituary Files	26	41	53	21
RCMP Obituaries	3	6	5	2
Newspaper Search	6	8	17	4
Look-ups (Books & Directories)	36	30	40	9
Homestead Search	13	9	32	9
Other searches charged at hourly rate (broken down below)	14	13	5	3
<i>Birth Parent Searches</i>		2	1	1
<i>Estate Searches</i>		2	1	--
<i>Vital Statistics: Birth, Marriage, Death Registrations</i>		1	--	--
<i>Newspaper Research by the hour</i>		5 (21 hrs)	--	--
<i>ISC Land Records</i>		2	1	1
<i>Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan, other</i>		1	2	1

3. Resources

Human Resources - In 2020, SGS continued to operate short-staffed and has not filled the vacant librarian position. SGS currently has 3 full-time staff members. All 3 staff continued to work through the pandemic, spending just over a month working remotely from home this year.

Financial Resources - Revenue is comprised of funding from Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust for Sport, Culture and Recreation, membership fees, donations, program revenue, fundraising, and sponsorships.

4. Promotion

SGS promotes and fosters the study of genealogy and family history.

A. Liaison - There is a need to establish and maintain mutual understanding with other groups and the community at the provincial and grassroots level. SGS networks with other genealogical societies and exchanges publications with groups and organizations around the world.

SGS works with First Nations and Métis organizations through genealogical research and training.

SGS plans to explore genealogical interest and expertise among newcomers and newcomer organizations.

SGS is a SaskCulture Eligible Cultural Organization and as such, networks with other cultural organizations in the province. SGS is a member of the Saskatchewan Council of Archives and Archivists and Heritage Saskatchewan. In 2020 SGS participated in the virtual Heritage Fairs for Saskatchewan students with a genealogy award and bursary.

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, website, social media, branches, members, and all programming. SGS continues to lobby the provincial government for an up to date Index to Vital Statistics in Saskatchewan

C. Public Access - SGS provides public access to one of the largest genealogical lending libraries in Canada.

	2020	2019
Visitors to the Library:	882	114 1,614
Circulation:	27,726	39,955
Packages of books mailed:	56	78
Phone calls for Information:	858	958
Volunteers:	69	*847
Volunteer Hours:	205	*809

* Library Only

Please note in the 2019 Annual Report there was a typo. The Visitors to the Library should have read 1614 not 114.

The public also has access to the following quality SGS programs.

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.

Cemetery Program - Cemetery records are accessible to the public and members in our library and online.

Obituary File - Obituaries are accessible to the public and SGS members in the library.

SRI - Saskatchewan Residents Index (SRI) is accessible to the public and members in the SGS library and online.

Conference - A conference is held every two years. The 2020 Conference which was to be hosted by the Prince Albert branch, was cancelled due to Covid-19.

Annual General Meeting - The Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held virtually on June 4, 2020. 23 people attended the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and participated in the discussions.

Bulletin - The Bulletin is published 3 times a year (April, August and December) and distributed to our members and subscribers. It provides education and tips on research, information on SGS programs and activities, success stories, volunteer opportunities, and other genealogical information of interest to our members. Circulation for 2020 was 963 per issue. Of those 422 were e-mailed. There were 81 organization subscribers including libraries, archives, genealogical societies, etc. The number of people who accessed the Bulletin is estimated at 13,595.

Workshops/Presentations - 877 people participated in SGS workshops in 2020.

Education - Certification programs are available to the public, however, only SGS members receive certification upon completion. Two online courses are currently offered. There were 14 active students in 2020.

Stock - SGS stocks genealogical supplies for sale on a demand basis.

Pioneer Certificate – This is a program to recognize original settlers and their descendants. The SGS certificate of recognition is presented to descendants of original and/or early pioneers in the districts and territories that make up present day Saskatchewan. This program is available to the public

Research - SGS offers a variety of research services such as Saskatchewan Basic Search, Aboriginal and Metis search, cemetery, obituary, SRI and many more.

SGS Website - During 2020 there were 193,097 visitors to the website.

SGS Accountability to the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust for Sport, Culture and Recreation

The Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund is a partnership of SaskCulture Inc., Sask Sport Inc. and Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association. Through a license agreement with the provincial government, these partners administer funds generated from lottery ticket sales to support volunteer drive sport, culture and recreation organizations and activities throughout the province. Over 12,000 volunteer groups benefit from this system.

SaskCulture manages the Cultural Section of the Trust. Saskatchewan Genealogical Society (SGS) has been receiving annual global funding from the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation since 1985. In 2020, approximately 70% of SGS total funding was received from the Trust.

SaskCulture's Cultural Policy is the guiding framework for the work of that organization and all the activity supported by the Cultural Section of the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation. The work of SaskCulture and the Eligible Cultural Organizations, including SGS, is measured against the following performance criteria through regular reporting requirements.

1. Cultural Impact

1.1 Unique and relevant contribution to culture

- The organization has a unique cultural mandate and makes a unique contribution to the whole of Saskatchewan culture.
- The organization works with other organizations within the cultural sector and in complementary sectors to further cultural development.
- The Organization has a focus on the future and actively works to keep relevant to the people of Saskatchewan.

1.2 Development of Culture in Saskatchewan

- The organization works to facilitate and expand meaningful cultural experiences and the development of cultural products.
- The organization contributes to the continuum of cultural development in Saskatchewan through the development of cultural activities and practitioners, avocational and vocational.

1.3 Increased recognition of the value of culture

- The organization generates and builds on the demand for cultural experiences by contributing to the development of enthusiastic and knowledgeable participants and audiences.
- The organization works to expand support for culture through advancing understanding and appreciation of culture.

1.4 Recognition of Diversity

- The organization is inclusive of, and represents the diversity of, Saskatchewan people.
- The organization contributes to the diversity of Saskatchewan cultural perspectives, knowledge, practices and products.

2. Participation through Access and Services

The organization engages in cultural activities, vocational and/or avocational, which generate and enable participation by Saskatchewan citizens in beneficial cultural activity through access and service. The organization actively strives to provide support to those who experience barriers to access and participation in cultural activities.

2.1 Participation

- The organization offers and/or enables participatory cultural experiences that are relevant and of quality. The participation in cultural activity fosters ownership, commitment, personal growth and an enhanced sense of community in individuals.

2.2 Access

- The organization provides and or encourages many avenues of cultural access to the people of Saskatchewan, regardless of age, gender, physical or mental ability, race or ethnic background, geographic location, socio-economic status or skill level.

2.3 Service

- The organization provides service to their members in terms of representation, advocacy, resources, professional development, and training. This service encourages cultural workers to associate with each other to further the development of their discipline or their personal development within that discipline.

3. Organizational Effectiveness

The organization has a clear sense of its mandate and its contribution to the cultural community as a whole. The organization demonstrates commitment to organizational efficiency as well as volunteer and community involvement.

3.1 Leadership

- The organization demonstrates the development and nurturing of appropriate leadership models.

3.2 Effective Governance

- The organization assures the development and implementation of internal structures, policies and procedures which best achieve the mandate of the organization.

3.3 Organizational Efficiency

- The organization achieves results through effective planning and evaluation processes, and the efficient use of resources

3.4 Volunteer and Community Involvement

- The organization demonstrates commitment to volunteer and community involvement.

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2020 SGS Membership

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

There were 552 SGS memberships (or approximately 828 members) in 2020, an increase of 3 memberships from 2019. The following is a geographical analysis of the SGS membership for 2020.

SASKATCHEWAN

Total membership - 374 representing 89 communities.

Communities represented by more than 10 memberships - (253 members/6 communities).

Moose Jaw (26), Prince Albert (12), Regina (118), Saskatoon (69), Swift Current (14), Weyburn (13)

Communities represented by 3-9 memberships - (40 members/8 communities).

Biggar (3), Central Butte (8), Mankota (4), Melfort (7), Moosomin (5), North Battleford (3), Rosetown (3), Yorkton (7)

Communities represented by 2 memberships - (18 members/9 communities).

Aneroid, Asquith, Briercrest, Fort Qu'Appelle, Indian Head, Lashburn, Oxbow, Regina Beach, Whitewood

Communities represented by 1 membership (63 members/communities).

Admiral, Avonlea, Bethune, Birch Hills, Carnduff, Ceylon, Christopher Lake, Churchbridge, Creelman, Cudworth, Denare Beach, Dysart, Estevan, Grand Coulee, Grenfell, Hanley, Herbert, Kamsack, Kelvington, Kinistino, Kerrobert, Lacadena, Laird, Lake Lenore, Leader, Lloydminster, Loon Lake, Lumsden, Manitou Beach, Marcelin, Martensville, Maryfield, Mayfair, McCord, McTaggart, Meadow Lake, Melville, Milestone, Montmartre, Neville, Norquay, Osler, Pangman, Preeceville, Raymore, Redvers, Rhein, Rocanville, Rose Valley, Rouleau, Shaunavon, Shellbrook, Star City, Stewart Valley, Stockholm, Tisdale, Unity, Watrous, Watson, Wawota, Webb, White City

OTHER PROVINCES OF CANADA

There is a total of 239 members representing 81 communities.

Alberta (56), British Columbia (53), Manitoba (14), New Brunswick (3), North West Territory (1), Nova Scotia (1), Ontario (25), Quebec (4)

UNITED STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES

United States 16 members / 13 communities.

Overseas 5 members / 5 communities

Branch Reports

Biggar

No meetings since March due to Covid-19. Meetings are usually held 2nd Wednesday of the month (except July and August) 7:30 p.m. at Biggar Museum & Gallery.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00
- No newsletter published
- Web site: <http://www.biggargenealogy.wikifoundry.com>
- Membership for 2020: 4 Members; 4 SGS Memberships
- Research Services: \$50.00 for local research
- Brochures on the Branch and their research services are available.
- Special Collections: births, marriage and deaths from *The Independent* newspaper 1913 to 1970; Obituary Index *The Independent* newspaper 1984 to 2020; obituaries on file from *The Independent* 1991 to 2020; 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
- A member continues to index the old newspaper births, marriages and deaths for the period 1970-1980.
- Library collection disbanded. Part of collection donated to Lionel Jones Public Library, Biggar.
- Publications for sale: Obituary Index *The Independent* Biggar, Saskatchewan 1984 to 2017; 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 Deaths from *The Independent*, Biggar, Sask 1961-1970 and Biggar Cemetery Directory Centennial Edition with Plot Map.
- 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, Saskatchewan for 2020, indexing in progress.
- No displays promoting the branch.
- No workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.

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Central Butte

Meetings are held 4th Wednesday of the month (except July, August and December) - 7:00 p.m. in lower level at Ivermain Place, Central Butte. Meetings took place in January and February; no further meetings due to Covid-19.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$15.00
- Publish no newsletter
- Membership for 2020: 8 Members; 8 SGS Memberships
- Research Services: Basic search for \$30.00 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
- 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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Grasslands

Meetings are held 3rd Wednesday of the month (except July and August) - 7:30 p.m. at Country Corral – 121 3rd Street, Mankota. Meetings only took place in January, February, September, October and November due to Covid-19.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$6.00
- Publish no newsletter
- Membership for 2020: 8 Members; 6 SGS Memberships
- No displays promoting Branch.
- Responded to queries and/or researches
- No workshops/presentations were held at Branch meetings and in the community.

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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. Due to COVID-19 only one in person meeting in January and then November was an online Zoom meeting.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00
- Publish no newsletter
- Membership for 2020: 30 Members; 23 SGS Memberships
- Brochure available
- Website: <http://www.moosejawgenealogy.com/>
- Research Services: Donations for any lookups
- Special Collections: Henderson Directories; online Cemetery records for Moose Jaw Sunset (formally Resthaven), Moose Jaw City Cemetery, Moose Jaw Pioneer Cemetery; Moose Jaw Rosedale, Pine Grove Cemetery (Valley View) and surrounding areas with photos of headstones on the website, information is

updated each year; random obituaries from Moose Jaw 1915-1998; scanned images "Moose Jaw Weekly Times" births 1888-1914, marriages 1891-1914, deaths 1888-1914; images of 3 registrations books from North Battleford. Complete birth and obituary notices from the *Moose Jaw Times Herald* 1999-Dec 7, 2017 and online obits from *Discover Moosejaw* Dec 7, 2017 to Dec 31, 2020 and a complete list of students, teachers, trustees of Victoria School (1896-1968). Thirty seven bounded Moose Jaw Times Herald newspapers, random months and years 1949 -1969.

- No publications for sale
- Updated Moose Jaw Sunset (formerly Resthaven), Moose Jaw Rosedale and Moose Jaw Pine Grove cemeteries index and photos of headstones if available.
- Responded to queries and/or research
- Had no display promoting branch
- Our branch had planned a celebration on September 12th at the Moose Jaw Museum & Art Gallery for our 50th anniversary but due to COVID-19, plans changed and on September 19th SGS and our Branch co-hosted two virtual presentations by Linda Yip, the Genealogy Detective, by Zoom. Linda's presentations were: Beyond BMDs and censuses Part 1 - Searching for your family in SK directories and Beyond BMDs and censuses Part 2 - Searching for your family in SK newspapers.
- Genealogy Research Room in the Moose Jaw Gallery is closed until further notice due to COVID-19
- One presentation was held at the January Branch meeting. Rich Pickering of Nature Moose Jaw spoke on the Indigenous trails that exist in Tatawaw Park and the significance it had for the many First Nations and Metis peoples. 36 people attended the presentation.

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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, Melfort. Meeting in January was in person and remaining meetings were cancelled due to Covid-19.

- Branch Membership Fee: No branch membership fee for 2020
- Publish no newsletter
- Membership for 2020: 14 Members; 10 SGS Memberships
- Research Services are done on a no charge basis by members. Unless they require a large amount of photocopying or copies of cemetery books.
- Special Collections: Recorded Cemeteries in the area, *Melfort Journal* microfilm up to 2007 available for view at Melfort Library. Resource books, 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 Public Library.
- Publication for sale: Cemetery records in our area and obituary CD
- *Melfort Journal*, *Tisdale Recorder* and *Parkland Review* - Copies of actual obituaries are in binders and updated regularly and kept at the Melfort Library. In 2014 we digitized all our obituary records for the area from 1983 to the present. CDs are available for sale. This is an ongoing project which is updated on a yearly basis.
- Updated no cemeteries
- Had no display promoting branch
- Responded to queries and/or research requests
- Workshops/presentations: DNA Pros & Cons and results which can be expected from DNA Tests by Ron Unger. Took place the Tisdale Library on March 7, 2020.
- Received a grant from Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund through the City of Melfort Community Grant Program for meeting Room Rental.

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Pangman

Meetings are held 4th Tuesday of the month (except July, November and December) - 1:30 p.m. at Southeast Regional Library. Only during Covid-19 availability.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$5.00
- Membership for 2020: 3 Members; 3 SGS Memberships
- Publish no newsletter
- Brochure available
- No publication for sale
- No workshops/presentations were held in the community
- No cemetery recording or updating
- Had no display to promote branch
- Volunteering for SRI

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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 (depending on Covid-19 restrictions).

- Branch Membership Fee: \$20.00
- Publish no newsletter
- Membership for 2020: 7 members; 6 SGS 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 workshops/presentations were held in the community
- No cemetery recording or updating
- Responded to queries and/or researches
- Had no display to promote branch

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Prince Albert

Meetings are held 2nd Tuesday of the month (except June to August, and December) - 7:00 p.m. at Prince Albert Lion's Club Rooms. During Covid-19 meetings took place via zoom.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$25.00
- Publish no newsletter
- Membership for 2020: 23 members; 17 SGS Memberships
- Brochure is available
- Website: <https://princealbertgenealogy.wordpress.com/> (Blog)
- Facebook Page: Prince Albert Genealogy Society
- 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 1982-2017; Shellbrook Chronicle Obituary Indexes; Wadena Obituary Indexes 2012-2015. We also have local history books on loan from Jim Wilm. Contact Branch for information.
- No publications for sale
- We are working on Prince Albert Memorial Gardens.
- Indexing obituaries and death notices from the *Prince Albert Daily Herald*, & on-line *PA Now*.
- The Conference Planning Committee was busy planning and organizing the SGS Conference to take place in Prince Albert on April 17-19, 2020. Sadly the Conference had to be cancelled due to Covid-19.
- Volunteering for the SRI
- Responded to queries and/or researches
- No display promoting Branch

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Regina

Meetings are held 4th Tuesday of the month (except June to August & December) - 7:00 p.m. at the Glen Elm Library, 1601 Dewdney Avenue E. In person meetings were held in January and February; and via Zoom in September, October and November.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$20.00
- Published no newsletter
- Membership for 2020: 75 Members; 72 SGS Memberships
- Brochure available from the SGS or the branch.
- 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/updated small cemetery north of McLean.
- March 14, 2020 promoted genealogy and the Regina Branch at a Government House event to celebrate Genealogy Day.
- Responded to queries and/or researches
- Workshops offered at branch meetings: Heirloom sharing; Black History Month with Carol LaFayette-Boyd; Introduction to Genealogy; Reflecting on doing genealogy during the pandemic.
- Tours: public health restrictions did not allow any tours to be held.

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Saskatoon

Meetings are held 3rd Thursday of the month (except July and August) - 7:00-9:00 p.m. at #1 - 1730 Quebec Avenue, Saskatoon. During Covid-19 all meetings were held via Zoom.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$25.00
- Brochure is available
- Website: <http://www.genealogysaskatoon.org//>
- Membership for 2020: 59 Members; 56 SGS Memberships
- Special Collection: Over 3,000 items, books on various topics, local (town) histories, family histories, general references, maps and atlases, obituaries and more.
- Cemeteries recorded - The Merrill St. Stephen's Cemetery just outside of Saskatoon and Borden Private Cemetery in Great Bend RM 405.
- Had displays promoting Branch at Heritage Festival in February.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshop provided: What's New at the Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan presented by Archives staff on November 19 via Zoom.
- Presentations provided to: Class for SCOA - Researching Census Records.
- Display at the Saskatoon Heritage Festival - several hundred people.

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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 164-1st Avenue N.W. (upstairs at Office Outfitters), Swift Current. Meetings took place in January, February and October and remaining meetings cancelled due to Covid-19.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$120.00
- Published no newsletter
- Membership for 2020: 19 Members; 17 SGS Memberships
- Research Services: On-line research and local sources - \$12/hour plus copying
- No publications for sale
- No cemeteries recorded
- No displays promoting Branch

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Weyburn

Meetings are held 2nd Tuesday of the month (except July and August, unless otherwise specified) - 6:30 p.m. at Weyburn Public Library. Meeting in January, February and March were in person and remaining meetings were cancelled due to Covid-19.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00
- Published no newsletter
- Membership for 2020: 16 Members; 14 SGS Memberships
- Brochure available from the branch or SGS
- Research Services: \$10.00 per name for obituary search
- 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.
- No publications for sale
- No displays promoting the branch
- Recorded no cemeteries
- Volunteering for the SRI
- Responded to queries and/or researches
- Indexed obituaries from the *Weyburn Review* for the SRI.
- Workshops/presentations were at Branch meetings and in the community: January - Family History Writing Checklist at the Weyburn Public Library presented by Judith Silverthorne, a published Saskatchewan author and genealogist; February - British Home Child, Bertie Hooper by Ilene Johnston.

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Yorkton

Meetings are held 2nd Tuesday of the month (except July and August) - 7:00 p.m. at the Yorkton Public Library, Ernest Bauerle History Room. Meetings in January and February were in person and remaining by zoom.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00
- Published no newsletter
- Website: <https://yorktonchaptersgs.wordpress.com/>
- Membership for 2020: 11 Members; 10 SGS Memberships
- No research services offered
- 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.
- No publications for sale
- Workshops/presentations were at Branch meetings: Old Brick Mill in Yorkton and Newspapers.com.

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Financial Statements

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of Saskatchewan Genealogical Society

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Saskatchewan Genealogical Society (the Society), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2020, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Society as at December 31, 2020, 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.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Society in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with those requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Society's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Society or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Society's financial reporting process.

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Independent Auditors' Report to the Members of Saskatchewan Genealogical Society (continued)

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Society's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Society's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Society to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Regina, Saskatchewan
February 18, 2021


Dudley & Company LLP
Chartered Professional Accountants

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash (Note 3)	\$ 203,243	\$ 192,216
Accounts receivable	1,511	2,187
Inventory	3,809	4,676
Prepaid expenses	7,176	6,164
	<u>215,739</u>	<u>205,243</u>
CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 4)	<u>465</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>\$ 216,204</u>	<u>\$ 205,243</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable	\$ 8,436	\$ 12,354
Deferred revenue (Note 5)	106,150	110,195
	<u>114,586</u>	<u>122,549</u>
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted Fund	101,209	82,367
Restricted Fund (Note 6)	409	327
	<u>101,618</u>	<u>82,694</u>
	<u>\$ 216,204</u>	<u>\$ 205,243</u>

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

 Director
 Director

See notes to financial statements

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Statement of Operations
Year Ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
REVENUE (Schedule 1)		
Administration	\$ 235,946	\$ 232,405
Programs	5,286	18,503
	<u>241,232</u>	<u>250,908</u>
EXPENSES (Schedule 2)		
Administration	200,689	203,529
Membership communications	4,775	5,827
Programs	15,279	18,952
Travel and meetings	1,565	4,153
	<u>222,308</u>	<u>232,461</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ 18,924</u>	<u>\$ 18,447</u>

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Statement of Changes in Net Assets
Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund	2020	2019
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 82,367	\$ 327	\$ 82,694	\$ 64,247
Excess of revenue (Schedule 1) over expenses (Schedule 2)	18,842	82	18,924	18,447
NET ASSETS (DEFICIT) - END OF YEAR	\$ 101,209	\$ 409	\$ 101,618	\$ 82,694

See notes to financial statements

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
CASH FLOWS FROM (FOR) OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash receipts from members and programs	\$ 72,042	\$ 68,722
Cash receipts from grants	164,500	181,000
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(225,384)	(226,322)
Interest received	645	-
Cash Flows From (For) Operating Activities	<u>11,803</u>	<u>23,400</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM (FOR) INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of capital assets	<u>(776)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net change in cash and cash equivalents during the year	11,027	23,400
CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>192,216</u>	<u>168,816</u>
CASH - END OF YEAR (Note 3)	<u>\$ 203,243</u>	<u>\$ 192,216</u>

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2020

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

Basis of presentation

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNFPO).

Inventory

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost and estimated 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%
Computer equipment	40%

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 are restricted 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 most contributions, with amounts received on account of revenue to be recognized in future fiscal periods recorded as deferred revenue. The society follows the restricted fund method of accounting for one category of restricted donations, with those donations being recognized as revenue in the restricted fund when received (see Note 6).

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2020

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

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.

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. Gift in kind donations of goods totalled \$844 in 2020 (\$1,565 in 2019); only the portion pertaining to non-minor capital assets, and other items that reasonably would've otherwise been purchased, are recognized for accounting purposes (\$ nil in 2020, \$ nil in 2019). In accordance with the recently revised accounting standard (Section 3065 Leases), the society has recorded the lease modification resulting in two months of the total rent payments being reduced to \$nil as rent relief revenue of \$5,573, with the rent expense remaining at its originally scheduled amounts.

3. CASH

	2020	2019
Petty cash	\$ 50	\$ 50
Chequing	192,200	187,489
Fundraising account	6,012	-
Paypal	1,338	1,676
Unrestricted savings	1	1
Term deposit	3,068	3,000
Credit union equity	574	-
	<u>\$ 203,243</u>	<u>\$ 192,216</u>

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2020

4. CAPITAL ASSETS

	Cost	Accumulated amortization	2020 Net book value	2019 Net book value
Computer equipment	\$ 19,538	\$ 19,073	\$ 465	\$ -
Furniture and fixtures	38,728	38,728	-	-
	\$ 58,266	\$ 57,801	\$ 465	\$ -

5. DEFERRED REVENUE

Deferred revenue is comprised of the following:

	2020	2019
Subscriptions	\$ 110	\$ 165
Memberships	21,040	19,530
Sask Trust grants	85,000	90,500
	\$ 106,150	\$ 110,195

6. RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

In 2015, the society established a restricted fund called the "Zichydorf Fund" to track contributions restricted to these special resource purchases. The fund recorded donations of \$192 (2019 - \$ 188), and purchases of \$110 (2019 - \$54), for an accumulated balance at the end of 2020 of \$409 (2019 - \$327).

7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The society is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments and has a comprehensive risk management framework to monitor, evaluate and manage these risks. The following analysis provides information about the society's risk exposure and concentration as of December 31, 2020.

Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the potential that a counter party will fail to perform its obligations. The society is exposed to credit risk from customers. In order to reduce its credit risk, the society reviews a new customer's credit history before extending credit and conducts regular reviews of its existing customers' credit performance. An allowance for doubtful accounts is established based upon factors surrounding the credit risk of specific accounts, historical trends and other information. The society has a significant number of customers which minimizes concentration of credit risk.

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2020

7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(continued)*

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The society is exposed to this risk mainly in respect of its receipt of funds from its customers and other related sources, contributions to employee benefit plan, and accounts payable.

Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: currency rate risk, interest rate risk and other price risk. Since the society doesn't have regular significant transactions in foreign currency, it is mainly just exposed to the latter two.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument might be adversely affected by a change in the interest rates. In seeking to minimize the risks from interest rate fluctuations, the society manages exposure through its normal operating and financing activities. The society is exposed to interest rate risk primarily through its interest-bearing accounts.

Other price risk

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting all similar financial instruments traded in the market. The society has minimal exposed to other price risk since any investments usually wouldn't be investments in equity instruments.

Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the society is not exposed to significant other price risks arising from these financial instruments.

8. COMMITMENTS

The society occupies leased office space. The present lease commenced April 1, 2019 and continues through March 31, 2022. The pre-tax annual rate for this three-year lease is \$32,260, which equates to \$2,718 per month, plus applicable taxes.

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2020

9. SIGNIFICANT EVENT

In March 2020, there was a global outbreak of COVID-19, which has had a significant impact on organizations through the restrictions put in place by the Canadian, provincial and municipal governments regarding travel, business operations, and isolation/ quarantine orders. At this time, it is unknown the extent of the impact the COVID-19 outbreak may have on the Organization as this will depend on future developments that are highly uncertain and that cannot be predicted with confidence. These uncertainties arise from the inability to predict the ultimate geographic spread of the disease, and the duration of the outbreak, including the duration of travel restrictions, business closures or disruptions, and quarantine/ isolation measures that are currently, or may be put, in place by Canada and other countries to fight the virus.

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Schedule of Revenue

(Schedule 1)

Year Ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
ADMINISTRATION		
Grants - Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund - AGF	\$ 170,000	\$ 181,000
Memberships	34,725	37,005
Interest	645	56
Donations - general	11,658	10,955
Donation - armorial bearings	-	1,500
Fundraising	13,260	1,548
Rent relief	5,573	-
Miscellaneous revenue	85	341
Total Administration Revenue	<u>\$ 235,946</u>	<u>\$ 232,405</u>
PROGRAMS		
Advertising	\$ 935	\$ 975
Cemetery	-	161
Education, workshops, and certification	600	960
Other specified donations	760	965
Pioneer certificate	110	-
Publication sales	536	2,825
Research	2,273	4,138
Saskatchewan resident index	-	19
Conference and annual meeting	-	8,265
Special purchases donation	-	150
Women Pioneer book	72	45
Total Program Revenue	<u>\$ 5,286</u>	<u>\$ 18,503</u>

See notes to financial statements

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Schedule of Expenses

(Schedule 2)

Year Ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
ADMINISTRATION		
Amortization	\$ 310	\$ -
Armorial bearings	1,250	3,370
Benefits	19,460	19,133
Caretaking	357	115
Corporate and banking fees	1,881	1,664
Insurance	1,395	1,247
Membership	471	570
Office sundry	6	106
Office supplies	545	670
Parking	1,847	1,752
Personnel	126,873	125,609
Planning	-	1,915
Postage	1,475	2,128
Printing and copying	2,259	2,842
Professional fees	6,060	5,883
Rent	33,438	33,225
Telephone and communications	2,443	2,445
Website development	619	855
 Total Personnel, Office and Corporate (Administration) Expenses	 \$ 200,689	 \$ 203,529
 TRAVEL AND MEETINGS		
Board meetings	\$ 960	\$ 3,386
Membership meetings and conference	605	372
Staff travel	-	395
 Total Travel and Meetings Expense	 \$ 1,565	 \$ 4,153
 MEMBERSHIP COMMUNICATIONS		
Bulletins	\$ 3,588	\$ 4,717
Promotion	1,187	1,110
 Total Membership Communications Expense	 \$ 4,775	 \$ 5,827

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Schedule of Expenses (continued)

(Schedule 2)

Year Ended December 31, 2020

	2020	2019
PROGRAMS		
Library resources	\$ -	\$ 899
Research	553	1,768
Subscription databases	3,155	2,936
Subscriptions	208	250
Subtotal: Library	3,916	5,853
Awards recognition	50	22
Births, Marriages, Deaths (BMD) Project	-	82
Branch administration	-	300
Cemetery	-	152
Computer services - data storage, website, etc.	1,977	2,016
Education, workshops, and certification	1,300	457
Fundraising costs	6,818	35
Obituary files	-	19
Publications and cost of sales	294	919
Saskatchewan resident index	608	1,823
Special purchases	110	54
50th anniversary	206	7,220
Total Programs Expense	\$ 15,279	\$ 18,952

See notes to financial statements

Fundraising & Donations

SGS received the following donations from January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020.

DONATION 2020

Friends (\$10-49)

Marguerite Black
Rebecca Bourne
Brenda L. Brodie
Donna Barber
Roberta Cox
Lorraine Didrikson
Crystal Durnin
Valla Eiriksson
Gord G. Graham
Brian D. Gushulak
Gary Hamblin
Fritz Healey
Georgena D. Hollingshead
Kathleen Jacobson
Donna Jamieson
Sheila Loos
Thelma Mattson
Terrence McBride
Rod & Corrie McLeod
Marilyn McPherson
Richard Moffat
Brian Neufeld
Alice Pastuch
Anna Perry
Annette Prior
Mrs. Marcia E. Redford
C. Roger Schindelka
Susan Schmidt
Sherry Smith
James Smith
Vija Tate
Beverly Tufts

Fellows (\$50-99)

John Althouse
Henry Leverne Baxter
Jacqueline Bessette
Bea Dolphin
Judith Droessler
Shirley D. Evans
Marilyn Lowenberg
Paula & Scott Miller
Gail Oliver
James R. Sandercock
Jenny Speir
James K. Wood

Associates (\$100-499)

Gaye Beechy
Danielle Bush
Catherine Dermody
Evelyn Gay
Phyllis Kowalchuk
Sandra Morgan
Elaine Noble
Ann Phillips
Harold Douglas Ramsay
Frances Reiss
SGS Central Butte Branch
SGS Moose Jaw Branch
Glenn Schmuland
Rene Stock
Marge Thomas
Morris E. Wadds
Kae Waters

Partners (500-999)

Sharon Cleveland
J. Barr Godkin
Celeste Rider

Patrons (\$1000 or More)

Rae Chamberlain

BULLETIN 2020

Friends (\$10-49)

John Althouse
Gaye Beechy
Janis Bohlken
Brenda L. Brodie
Elaine W. Broughton
Remi Daniel
Crystal Durnin
Judi Erickson
Shirley Erskine
Fritz Healey
Tonia Kempfer
Anna Perry
James R. Sandercock
Candace Scheresky
Marge Thomas
James K. Wood

SPECIAL PURCHASE - ZICHYDORF

Friends (\$10-49)

Barry Anwender
Carol Bidwell
Michael Borkan
Carol Guimond
Faye Urbanski
Annamarie Weiss

GIFT IN KIND

Friends (\$10-49)

Deanne Cairns

Fellows (\$50-99)

Frances Reiss

Brian Scherle

Associates (\$100-499)

B-Creative Group Inc.

Chris Krismer

POSTAL

Friends (\$10-49)

Marilyn Lowenberg

Sherry Smith

Associates (\$100-499)

Della Sanders

SARCAN - Drop & Go - \$347.15

DONATION 2021

Friends (\$10-49)

Greg Arnott

Jason Antonio

Donna Barber

Carol C. Clarke

Shirley Erskine

Joan Fraser

Catherine Friedel

Barr Godkin

Brian D. Gushlak

Judith Hagen

Joanne Hammond

Iris Johnson

Birdene Keefe

Carol Light

Lloyd J. Lipinski

Gloria Martin

Brenda McCracken

Lorna E. McLean

Rod & Corrie McLeod

Brian F. Neufeld

Merle Nostbakken

Annette Prior

Robert J. Rogers

Jenny Speir

Ivy Trumpour

Linda Yip

Fellows (\$50-99)

Bev & Margaret Culbertson

Judi Erickson

Patricia Jabusch

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- » The SGS was formed in 1969 and celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 2019.
- » There are approximately 828 Society members.
- » There are 13 active branches around the province.
- » 26% of our total membership lives in rural areas.
- » SGS operates the largest genealogical lending library in Canada. 882 people visited the library in 2020 including visitors from various places in Saskatchewan.
- » SGS received over 858 phone calls for genealogical information in 2020. There were calls from Denmark and throughout Canada and the United States.
- » Saskatchewan Resident's Index (SRI) was the first database of its kind in Canada.
- » There are over 3.8 million records on our SRI. Total of all databases is approximately 6 million names.
- » SGS's Instructor and Record Searcher certification programs are the first of their kind in Canada.
- » SGS is the second largest genealogical society in Canada.
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