

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society Inc.



ANNUAL REPORT 2022

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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: Brian Scherle

The past few years has made us as a society change our ways of how we interact with others and our families. Covid 19 brought upon the world, a pandemic that caught everyone by surprise and Pharmaceutical companies and Government's were spending millions of dollars to develop a serum to combat this new disease. Not since the 1918 Spanish Flu epidemic, has the world experienced such a global situation. The Spanish Flu killed more people around the world than World War 1 did.

Today, with modern communications and technologies being shared by all countries, where we, as a nation, have been able to work together to develop serums and supply the world with the needed drugs to combat this highly contagious epidemic.

Covid 19, forced us to look at how we would still be able to communicate and work together as an organization. Groups getting together was suddenly not recommended and new ways of continuing to work and communicate began.

The Saskatchewan Genealogical Society incorporated new ways of continuing to provide genealogical services to you, our members and the public at large. Zoom meetings became the new norm for communications. The office continued to handle requests for resources, information and genealogical assistance. Hopefully, we can get back to face to face meetings, conferences, and educational opportunities. Some branches are starting to have in-person meetings and others are still using Zoom to conduct their meetings.

Supporting your local branch is so important. In the past year, we were sorry to see four branches of SGS disband for a variety of reasons - low membership, a lack of volunteers, etc. The branches that closed were South East, Pangman, Biggar and Prince Albert. Hopefully, in the future, we may see those branches reinstated or new branches formed.

2022 Board of Directors

Officers

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Brian Scherle, Regina

Vice President

Christa Kaytor, Regina

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Sheldon Trabish, Saskatoon

Recording Secretary

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Barb Tait, Regina

Celeste Rider, Regina

Executive Director's Report

By: Deanne Cairns

2022 continued as another year of uncertainties as we learn and develop new ways of doing business in this post-pandemic time. Most non-profit organizations, including SGS, are struggling to keep afloat, stay relevant and look for new ways of doing business.

Again, this year, membership was down as were the number of visitors to the Library and Research room. There were lots of new acquisitions added to our library collection this year and our members have been busy checking them out via library loans.

It is very unfortunate that 4 SGS Branches disbanded in 2022 - Biggar, South-East, Pangman and Prince Albert. There were varying reasons for dissolution, from a lack of members, volunteer fatigue, etc. Most members of these branches have indicated they will continue to be a member of SGS and a volunteer. We thank them for their dedication.

This year we continued to hold meetings, workshops, presentations and classes via the Zoom platform. While we miss the face to face interaction and communication, the online venue offers far more choice in topics, presenters, and includes more participants, and it is much more cost effective for the organization. It is the new normal. That is not to say we won't have in-person opportunities again, but there will likely be fewer than in past years. SGS hosted a variety of presentations and workshops in 2022 and instructors are busy with the Saskatchewan Record Searcher Certification course and the Indigenous Record Searcher Certificate program.

A major undertaking in 2022 was addressing the challenges presented to us by our databases and website. Both of these were built in old code and were not longer being supported making them vulnerable to hackers, as evidenced by two incidents of hacking in the past few years. We had put band-aids on them long enough and the band-aid box was empty - a major rebuild was needed, not just for the databases as we originally thought, but also to the website. Prior to undertaking this major project, a decision was made to also add online indexing capability for our volunteers, which will result in information being made available online much quicker. It was recognized that some of our reserve funds would be required if we were to complete all three projects this year rather than spread them out over time. The need was there and the risk was high if we didn't do them, so the total project was completed in 2022 with a few tweaks carrying over in to the new year.

Work continues on our diversity project, "What is Family?" and we need some volunteers to shepherd this project through to its final product.

Indexing of the United Church Records is underway. More volunteers are always welcome. For this project the indexing must be done at the Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan in Regina. There is always lots of other indexing opportunities available that volunteers can do from the comfort of their own homes. Contact Lisa Warren if you are interested.

On behalf of SGS, I would like to express our continued gratitude for the funding support we receive from the Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust for Sport, Culture and Recreation, in partnership with SaskCulture.

And a big thank you to our members and volunteers. We value your continued support and unwavering dedication to genealogy in Saskatchewan.

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:

Saskatchewan Record Searcher Course - This course is intended to teach what the basic Saskatchewan record sources are, how to develop a research plan using these sources, how to document and write a research report and how and when to make recommendations for further research. The course is offered by e-course and there are currently 15 students.

Indigenous Researcher Course - the focus of this course is on tracing Indigenous ancestry in the Prairie Provinces. This past year the course was offered two times and there were 12 students with eight graduates from the program.

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

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| Workshops/Presentations hosted by SGS: | 10 workshops |
| | 453 people |

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| Workshops/Presentations by SGS Branches: | 48 workshops |
| | 820 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 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 3,499 and SGS has records for 2,579.

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.

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Obituary

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society's obituary collection consists of over 161,000 obituaries that were extracted 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.)

Keep up the good work and thank you volunteers!

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Obituary Indexing Project

By: Celeste Rider, Coordinator

The SGS Obituary Files collection includes obituaries published in newspapers up to the end of 2001. The project to scan and index pre-2002 obituaries will continue on an as need basis. In 2022 no additional obituaries were scanned or indexed for this database. A file of corrections to the database entries is being maintained.

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Saskatchewan Residents Index (SRI)

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

The Saskatchewan Residents Index (SRI) is a database of names that have been indexed from various sources (all Saskatchewan) such as: books, local history books, directories, church directories, year books, voter's list's, maps, newspapers and more. Volunteers have been busy working on cleaning up sources that were previously registered while adding new sources as well. This involved indexing, proofreading and correcting.

At the end of 2022, 948 sources have been registered with the SRI. Out of this total 801 are books and local history books, 61 are files in the SGS library, 10 are government documents, 15 are maps and 61 newspapers. Out of the 948 sources registered, 379 of them are completed (finished indexing and placed online under the SRI. Total records on SRI Database are 3,800,000. Thank you to everyone who has helped with the SRI this year.

The databases (Burial Index, Obituary Index and Saskatchewan Resident Index [SRI]) were totally rebuilt this year and there is now an option for online indexing.

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Library

By: Lisa Dawn Bertotti

Library Statistics:

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| <u>Total value of the collection in 2022:</u> | 398,584 |
| As compared to 2021 | 396,665 |
| As compared to 2020 | 394,367 |

The SGS Library Collection consists of:

| | <u>2022</u> | <u>2021</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Books | 23,228 | 23,083 | 22,938 |
| Microform | 25,765 | 25,765 | 25,765 |
| Maps | 712 | 712 | 710 |
| CD/DVD | 152 | 152 | 150 |

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

- 57 periodicals were exchanged with other societies
- 1 periodical was donated/sponsored by an 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.

- 27 people donated 112 items
- 2 organizations (provincial archives, genealogical societies, libraries, historical societies, and publishing companies) donated 145 items

Research

By: Celeste Rider, Research Coordinator

Below is a list of researches completed by Saskatchewan Genealogical Society in 2022.

| | <u>2019</u> | <u>2020</u> | <u>2021</u> | <u>2022</u> |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Indigenous/Métis Search (includes 3 searches for Scrip Records) | 3 | 2 | 8 | 5 |
| Basic Search of Saskatchewan Records | 21 | 6 | 2 | 5 |
| SGS Databases (broken down below) | 2 | 9 | 8 | 5 |
| <i>Saskatchewan Residents Index (SRI)</i> | 1 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| <i>Burial Index</i> | 1 | 4 | 2 | - |
| <i>Obituary Index</i> | -- | 1 | 2 | - |
| <i>Change of Names</i> | -- | -- | -- | 1 |
| Cemetery Files | 20 | 13 | 6 | 5 |
| Obituary Files | 53 | 21 | 21 | 13 |
| RCMP Obituaries | 5 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Newspaper Search | 17 | 4 | 16 | 5 |
| Look-ups (Books & Directories) | 40 | 9 | 23 | 30 |
| Look-ups (HOME CD/Maps) | -- | -- | -- | 2 |
| Census Records | -- | -- | -- | 7 |
| Homestead Search | 32 | 9 | 11 | 3 |
| Analysis and Research Plan | -- | -- | 2 | - |
| Other searches charged at hourly rate (broken down below) | 5 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| <i>Birth Parent Searches</i> | 1 | 1 | -- | -- |
| <i>Estate Searches</i> | 1 | -- | -- | 1 |
| <i>Vital Statistics: Birth, Marriage, Death Registrations</i> | -- | -- | -- | 1 |
| <i>Newspaper Research by the hour</i> | -- | -- | -- | 1 |
| <i>ISC Land Records</i> | 1 | 1 | 1 | -- |
| <i>Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan, other</i> | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 |

Researches were completed by Laura Hanowski and Celeste Rider who are Certified Saskatchewan Researchers, Thelma Caldwell who is a Certified Saskatchewan Record Searcher and SGS staff (Lisa Warren and Lisa Dawn Bertotti).

3. Resources

Human Resources - In 2022, SGS continued to operate short-staffed and has not filled the vacant librarian position. SGS currently has 3 full-time staff members.

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 2022 SGS participated in the Heritage Fairs for Saskatchewan students with genealogy awards and a 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.

| | <u>2022</u> | <u>2021</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Visitors to the Library: | 411 | 420 |
| Circulation: | 37,074 | 29,901 |
| Packages of books mailed: | 64 | 78 |
| Phone calls for Information: | 678 | 997 |
| Volunteers (Library): | 107 | 51 |
| Volunteer Hours (Library): | 283.5* | 143* |
| Volunteers (Indexing, etc.): | 16 | |
| Volunteer Hours (Indexing, etc.): | 654 | |

* Library Only

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 our library and online.

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

Conference - A conference was held every two years prior to the pandemic.

Annual General Meeting - The Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held virtually on April 23, 2022. 32 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 2022 was 524 per issue. Of those 366 were e-mailed. There were 83 organization subscribers including libraries, archives, genealogical societies, etc. The number of people who accessed the Bulletin is estimated at 7,336.

Workshops/Presentations – 1,273 people participated in SGS workshops in 2022.

Education - Certification programs are available to the public, however, only SGS members receive certification upon completion. Two online courses are currently offered. There were 27 active students in 2022.

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 2022 there were 86,157 unique visitors to the website making 340,799 visits..

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 2022, approximately 77% 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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2022 SGS Membership

By: Lisa Warren, Executive Assistant

There were 452 SGS memberships (or approximately 678 members) in 2022, a decrease of 59 memberships from 2021. The following is a geographical analysis of the SGS membership for 2022.

SASKATCHEWAN

Total membership - 311 representing 78 communities.

Communities represented by more than 10 memberships - (193 memberships/5 communities).

Moose Jaw (20), Prince Albert (12), Regina (90), Saskatoon (59), Swift Current (12)

Communities represented by 3-9 memberships - (43 memberships/8 communities).

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

Communities represented by 2 memberships - (20 memberships/10 communities).

Aneroid, Fort Qu'Appelle, Indian Head, Kelvington, Milestone, Oxbow, Regina Beach, Sedley, White City, Whitewood

Communities represented by 1 membership (55 memberships/communities).

Admiral, Asquith, Avonlea, Bethune, Briercrest, Carnduff, Ceylon, Churchbridge, Corman Park, Creelman, Denare Beach, Dysart, Esterhazy, Estevan, Frobisher, Grenfell, Hanley, Herbert, Kamsack, Kerrobert, Kinistino, Kyle, La Ronge, Lacadena, Laird, Lake Lenore, Lashburn, Leader, Lebreton, Lloydminster, Loon Lake, Lumsden, Manitou Beach, McCord, McTaggart, Melville, Montmartre, Pilot Butte, Ponteix, Preeceville, Raymore, Redvers, Rhein, Riverside Estates, Rocanville, Rosetown, Rouleau, Star City, Stewart Valley, Stockholm, Tisdale, Vanscoy, Watrous, Wawota, Webb

OTHER PROVINCES OF CANADA

There is a total of 125 memberships representing 67 communities.

Alberta (52), British Columbia (48), Manitoba (6), New Brunswick (3), North West Territory (1), Ontario (12), Quebec (3)

UNITED STATES AND OTHER COUNTRIES

United States 15 memberships / 10 communities.

Overseas 1 membership / 1 community

Branch Reports

Biggar

No meetings since March 2020 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. The Biggar Branch disbanded in 2022.

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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.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$15.00.
- Membership for 2022: 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.
- Publications for sale: Central Butte history book and Central Butte town property index.
- Recorded two cemeteries: Rolling Prairie and Green Prairie.
- Indexing obituaries for the SRI: *Herbert Herald*.
- 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 Monday of the month (except January and February) - 2:00 p.m. at the RM office on 1st Avenue in Mankota.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$6.00.
- Membership for 2022: 6 Members; 5 SGS Memberships.
- We no longer meet in January and February but not meet in July and August. Usually cold and stormy in January and February.
- No workshops/presentations were held in the community.
- We had a rescue project of births, marriages and deaths in the village of Mankota registers.
- One of our members had a VHS machine so we watched Everett Baker's slides that were on tape/VHS. It was interesting seeing people and places we knew.
- December's meeting was at Aneroid 50+ club and we read old Aneroid News Magnet newspapers from 1914 onwards. Some items of genealogy interest were found.
- In 2022 we lost 2 members/friends and one husband.

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Moose Jaw

Meetings are held 4th Wednesday of the month (except July, August and December) - 7:00 p.m. via zoom until further notice. Otherwise meetings are held at the Moose Jaw Public Library (upstairs South Meeting Room) - 461 Langdon Crescent.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Membership for 2022: 22 Members; 18 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), 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.
- Updated Moose Jaw Sunset, Moose Jaw Rosedale and Moose Jaw City cemeteries.
- Responded to queries and/or research.
- January - Branch member Jason Antonio talked about his tour of the battlefields of Normandy where he followed the path of two Canadian soldiers he had researched. WW1 Soldier: Harry Baldwin, WW2 Soldier: John Love. He spoke of his visits to Beny Sur Mer Cemetery, Juno Beach and Vimy Ridge.
- February - SGS Executive Director Deanne Cairns and Executive Assistant Lisa Warren showed us how to access and use SGS's databases remotely.
- March - Kristin Catherwood, Director of Living Heritage, Heritage Saskatchewan spoke about the people and stories of our province, the human connection to those who came before us. She spoke on the Intangible Cultural Heritage and why it is important to genealogy. It included the folklore and history, oral traditions, performing arts, social practices, rituals and festive events.
- April - We enjoyed an evening of "Show and Share". Members shared: a grandfather's family history book they published, an old gold ring that was gifted by her grandmother, a book published of her husband's scrapbook of articles basketball career that her mother-in-law had collected, an updated story of a members search for his long-lost uncle who was thought to have died in the 1906 San Francisco earthquake but actually died in a nursing home in 1961.
- May - Jessica McNaughton from MemoryKPR spoke on their digital storytelling platform and application that allows you to save, store, design, protect and tell your story in genealogy. Their website: www.memoryKPR.com
- September - We met in person, but our guest speaker Lynn Palermo presentation was by Zoom. Lynn spoke on the Zotero app, your personal research assistant. Zotero helps organize your research and makes it easier to save information that you find in your family research.
- October: Members share their discoveries, insights and frustrations in their genealogy research.
- November - Members sharing their work in progress in their research. One member answered questions on their grandfather's published family research and how they did their sourcing information, software used and their experience dealing with the local printer.
- December 14th - Marge Cleave gave a phone presentation to "Seniors Without Borders" on Beginners Genealogy 101. There were 15 members on the phone taking in the presentation.



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.

- Branch Membership Fee: No branch membership fee for 2022.
- Membership for 2022: 16 Members; 13 SGS Memberships.
- Research Services are done on a no charge basis by members. We look at what we have access to – cemetery, obituary, history books, etc.
- 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.
- Responded to queries and/or research requests.

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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. Due to Covid no meetings took place. Pangman Branch was dissolved in 2022.

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Pipestone

Meetings are held 3rd Wednesday of the month (except June to August and December) - 2:00 p.m. at Moosomin Public Library (depending on Covid-19 restrictions).

- Branch Membership Fee: \$20.00.
- Membership for 2022: 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.
- Responded to queries and/or research requests.
- Had three displays set up promoting genealogy and the branch.
- All workshops/presentations were called “Open House” where our members did a small beginner genealogy presentation and then assisted those in attendance with one-on-one help with their personal research – Whitewood Public Library on 26 April, Wapella Public Library on 20 October, and Wawota Public Library on 3 November.

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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. Prince Albert is no longer a branch as of December 31, 2022.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$25.00.
- 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.
- Indexing obituaries and death notices for the SRI from the *Prince Albert Daily Herald*, on-line *PA Now*, *Shellbrook Chronicle* and *Spiritwood Herald*.
- Volunteering for the SRI.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.

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Regina

Meetings are held 4th Tuesday of the month (except June to August & December) - 7:00 p.m. at Sunrise Library, Sandra Schmirler Leisure Centre, 3130 E Woodhams Drive or via Zoom.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$20.00.
- Membership for 2022: 67 Members; 66 SGS Memberships.
- Web site: <http://www.rbsgs.ca/>
- Research services: Contact Branch or visit website.
- Recorded/updated St. Joseph's Colony, McLean Cemetery (RM 157).
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshops offered at branch meetings: January - Member Sharing, February - Family documentation from a Chinese perspective by Helen Chang, March - Talk about prohibition in Saskatchewan by Jeff O'Brien from the City of Saskatoon, April - Outline how privacy laws affect our research by Diane Aldridge from Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Saskatchewan, September - Members sharing their favourite websites, October - Research on the English immigrants who arrived at the CPR colony southwest of Rockglen in 1929/30 by Terry Wolfe.
- Member gave a presentation on beginning genealogy to Regina Public Library, Sunrise branch.

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Saskatoon

Meetings are held 3rd Thursday (except July and Aug.) 7:00 pm at #1 - 1730 Quebec Avenue, Saskatoon. Hybrid (in-person and Zoom) meetings Sept - Nov and Apr - June. Zoom meetings Dec - Mar. See website for up-to-date meeting arrangements.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$25.00.
- Brochure is available.
- Website: <http://www.genealogysaskatoon.org/>
- Membership for 2022: 58 Members; 56 SGS Memberships.
- Special Collection: Over 3,000 items, books on various topics, local (town) histories, family histories, general references, maps and atlases, cemetery records and more. The library page on our website has a link to the complete list of library materials.
- Publication for sale: 7 and 10 Generation Pedigree Charts.
- Recorded two cemeteries in the RM of Fish Creek - Wakaw Independent Sniatyn and Alvena Farms Pioneer. RM 402 .003 and 402.014
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshop provided: January - 50 + 1 Anniversary Celebration - three workshops presented by Dave Obee, Lynn Palermo & Lianne Kruger; February - Creating a Zine Workshop by Kristin Enns-Kavanagh & Jace (JD) McDougall; April - Preparing to Present by Linda Yip; May - Canadian Headstones by Steve Fulton; June - Rural Churches in Saskatchewan by Bliss Cross; September - Sharing, Experimenting & Learning by branch members; October - Canadian Census by Cindy Paradis; November - The History of Saskatoon - from Newspapers! By Terry Hoknes; December - How to Get the Most out of a Rel-Life Archives Visit by Linda Yip. All meetings took place via Zoom except for September (in person) and October (Hybrid).
- Presentations provided to: Dalmeny Seniors Association and approximately 20 seniors present.



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.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$120.00.
- Membership for 2022: 16 Members; 14 SGS Memberships.
- Research Services: On-line research and local sources - \$12/hour plus copies.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Workshops provided: We committed to a series of free presentations geared to beginner genealogists as part of a grant application for funding from Saskatchewan Lotteries and the City of Swift Current. They are scheduled to run in conjunction with our regular meeting. Presenter are members of our branch and handouts are provided. April - Creating a Family Tree - Part 1 - Genealogy Basic Needs by Dawn Rogowski; May - Creating a Family Tree - Part 2 - Forms and Charts by Joanne Jensen; -September - Creating a Family Tree - Part 3 - History books and other records by Dawn Rogowski; October - Creating a Family Tree - Part 4 - Obituary Files - paper and computer by Janet McCaig & Elita Moberg; December - Creating a Family Tree - Part 5 - Cemetery and Funeral Records by Dawn Rogowski. Three more are planned in the new year.



Weyburn

Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of the month (except July and August, unless otherwise specified) - 6:30 p.m. at Weyburn Public Library. No meetings took place due to Covid-19 n, however we chatted by email.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Membership for 2021: 13 Members; 12 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, and microfilm reels of *Weyburn Review* 1943-1961. All located at the Weyburn Public Library.
- Volunteering for the SRI.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Indexed obituaries from the Weyburn Review for the SRI.
- Workshops/presentations: On May 29, 2021 we “hosted” a Zoom presentation in conjunction with SGS, “Researching Irish Records” by Pamela Guye Holland.
- Our Weyburn Branch members continue to submit genealogy articles to the Weyburn Review and Weyburn This Week newspapers.

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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. During Covid-19 all meetings were held via Zoom.

- Branch Membership Fee: \$10.00.
- Website: <https://yorktonchaptersgs.wordpress.com/>
- Membership for 2021: 14 Members; 14 SGS Memberships.
- 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.
- Responded to queries and/or researches.
- Working on new facebook page.

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Financial Statements

DUDLEY & COMPANY LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Saskatchewan Genealogical Society

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Saskatchewan Genealogical Society (the organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2022, 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 organization as at December 31, 2022, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO).

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 *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the organization in accordance with 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 these 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 ASNPO, 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 organization's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the organization or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

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

Auditor's 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 auditor's 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 organization'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 organization's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's 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 auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the organization 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 17, 2023


Dudley & Company LLP
Chartered Professional Accountants

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| CURRENT | | |
| Cash (Note 3) | \$ 206,859 | \$ 218,651 |
| Accounts receivable | 2,147 | 2,464 |
| Inventory | 4,886 | 4,180 |
| Prepaid expenses | 6,560 | 5,918 |
| | <u>220,452</u> | <u>231,213</u> |
| CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 4) | <u>302</u> | <u>1,060</u> |
| | <u>\$ 220,754</u> | <u>\$ 232,273</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS | | |
| CURRENT | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ 7,865 | \$ 7,513 |
| Deferred revenue (Note 5) | 23,490 | 25,355 |
| Deferred grant revenue (Note 5) | 85,000 | 85,000 |
| | <u>116,355</u> | <u>117,868</u> |
| NET ASSETS | | |
| Unrestricted Fund | 104,136 | 114,114 |
| Restricted Fund (Note 6) | 263 | 291 |
| | <u>104,399</u> | <u>114,405</u> |
| | <u>\$ 220,754</u> | <u>\$ 232,273</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, 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|--------------------|------------------|
| REVENUE (Schedule 1) | | |
| Administration | \$ 213,919 | \$ 214,330 |
| Fundraising | 274 | 6,820 |
| Programs | <u>6,271</u> | <u>18,096</u> |
| | 220,464 | 239,246 |
| EXPENSES (Schedule 2) | | |
| Administration | 217,141 | 204,474 |
| Fundraising | - | 3,258 |
| Membership communications | 3,478 | 5,470 |
| Programs | 9,790 | 12,761 |
| Travel and meetings | <u>61</u> | <u>496</u> |
| | 230,470 | 226,459 |
| EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES | \$ (10,006) | \$ 12,787 |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Statement of Changes in Net Assets
Year Ended December 31, 2022

| | Unrestricted Fund | Restricted Fund | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|----------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|
| NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR | \$ 114,114 | \$ 291 | \$ 114,405 | \$ 101,618 |
| Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses | (9,978) | (28) | (10,006) | 12,787 |
| NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR | \$ 104,136 | \$ 263 | \$ 104,399 | \$ 114,405 |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended December 31, 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| CASH FLOWS FROM (FOR) OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Cash receipts from members and programs | \$ 48,527 | \$ 73,381 |
| Cash receipts from grants | 170,000 | 170,000 |
| Cash paid to suppliers and employees | (230,391) | (226,536) |
| Interest received | 72 | 70 |
| | <u>(11,792)</u> | <u>16,915</u> |
| Cash Flows From (For) Operating Activities | | |
| CASH FLOWS FROM (FOR) INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Purchase of capital assets | <u>-</u> | <u>(1,507)</u> |
| Net change in cash and cash equivalents during the year | (11,792) | 15,408 |
| CASH - BEGINNING OF YEAR | 218,651 | 203,243 |
| CASH - END OF YEAR (Note 3) | \$ 206,859 | \$ 218,651 |

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2022

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Saskatchewan Genealogical Society is incorporated under *The Non-Profit Corporations Act* of Saskatchewan. The organization's principal activity is the promotion and development of the study, research, and preservation of genealogy and family history in Saskatchewan. The organization 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 (ASNPO).

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 organization 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 organization 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, 2022

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.

Contributed goods and services

The organization'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 \$1,875 in 2022 (\$792 in 2021); 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 2022, \$ nil in 2021).

3. CASH

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Petty cash | \$ 50 | \$ 50 |
| Chequing | 199,121 | 211,680 |
| Fundraising account | 2,175 | 2,175 |
| Paypal | 1,732 | 1,035 |
| Term deposit | 3,207 | 3,137 |
| Credit union equity | 574 | 574 |
| | \$ 206,859 | \$ 218,651 |

4. CAPITAL ASSETS

| | Cost | Accumulated amortization | 2022 Net book value | 2021 Net book value |
|------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Computer equipment | \$ 21,046 | \$ 20,744 | \$ 302 | \$ 1,060 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 38,728 | 38,728 | - | - |
| | \$ 59,774 | \$ 59,472 | \$ 302 | \$ 1,060 |

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Notes to Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2022

5. DEFERRED REVENUE

Deferred revenue is comprised of the following:

| | <u>2022</u> | <u>2021</u> |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Memberships | \$ 23,490 | \$ 25,355 |
| Deferred grant revenue: Sask Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation annual funding in advance | <u>85,000</u> | <u>85,000</u> |
| Total Deferred Revenue | <u>\$ 108,490</u> | <u>\$ 110,355</u> |

6. RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

In 2015, the organization established a restricted fund called the "Zichydorf Fund" to track contributions restricted to these special resource purchases. The fund recorded donations of \$ nil (2021 - \$ 318), and expenses of \$28 (2021 - \$435), for an accumulated balance at the end of 2022 of \$263 (2021 - \$291).

7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The organization 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 organization's risk exposure and concentration as of December 31, 2022.

Credit risk

Credit risk arises from the potential that a counter party will fail to perform its obligations. The organization is exposed to credit risk from customers. In order to reduce its credit risk, the organization 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 organization has a significant number of customers which minimizes concentration of credit risk.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities. The organization 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 organization doesn't have regular significant transactions in foreign currency, it is mainly just exposed to the latter two.

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Notes to Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2022

7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS *(continued)*

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 organization manages exposure through its normal operating and financing activities. The organization 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 organization has minimal exposure 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 organization is not exposed to significant other price risks arising from these financial instruments.

8. COMMITMENTS

The organization occupies leased office space. The present lease commenced April 1, 2022 and continues through March 31, 2024. The pre-tax annual rate for this two-year lease is \$33,582, which equates to \$2,799 per month, plus applicable taxes.

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 this 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, 2022**

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| ADMINISTRATION | | |
| Grants - Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust Fund for Sport, Culture and Recreation | \$ 170,000 | \$ 170,000 |
| Memberships | 30,735 | 32,785 |
| Interest | 72 | 70 |
| Donations | 13,084 | 11,381 |
| Miscellaneous revenue | 28 | 94 |
| Total Administration Revenue | <u>\$ 213,919</u> | <u>\$ 214,330</u> |
| PROGRAMS | | |
| Advertising | \$ 657 | \$ 1,435 |
| Education, workshops, and certification | 235 | 8,751 |
| Other specified donations - bulletin | 665 | 825 |
| Pioneer certificate | 375 | 1,210 |
| Publication sales | 3,040 | 2,750 |
| Research | 1,194 | 3,070 |
| Special purchases donation | 15 | - |
| Women Pioneer book | 90 | 55 |
| Total Program Revenue | <u>\$ 6,271</u> | <u>\$ 18,096</u> |
| FUNDRAISING | | |
| Fundraising | <u>\$ 274</u> | <u>\$ 6,820</u> |

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

**Schedule of Expenses
(Schedule 2)**

Year Ended December 31, 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| ADMINISTRATION | | |
| Accounting fees | \$ 2,827 | \$ 3,214 |
| Amortization | 758 | 913 |
| Armorial bearings | - | 1,607 |
| Audit | 3,255 | 3,146 |
| Benefits | 21,359 | 19,642 |
| Caretaking | 162 | 163 |
| Corporate and banking fees | 1,575 | 2,119 |
| Insurance | 1,613 | 1,496 |
| Maintenance and repairs | 68 | - |
| Membership | 321 | 270 |
| Office sundry | 79 | - |
| Office supplies | 454 | 1,408 |
| Parking | - | 1,846 |
| Personnel | 121,841 | 126,873 |
| Postage | 1,774 | 1,950 |
| Printing and copying | 3,426 | 2,520 |
| Rent | 34,175 | 33,435 |
| Telephone and communications | 2,440 | 2,457 |
| Website development | 21,014 | 1,415 |
| Total Personnel, Office, and Corporate (Administration) Expenses | \$ 217,141 | \$ 204,474 |
| TRAVEL AND MEETINGS | | |
| Board meetings | \$ - | \$ 256 |
| Membership meetings and conference | - | 150 |
| Staff travel | 61 | 90 |
| Total Travel and Meetings Expense | \$ 61 | \$ 496 |
| MEMBERSHIP COMMUNICATIONS | | |
| Bulletins | \$ 2,661 | \$ 3,738 |
| Promotion | 817 | 1,732 |
| Total Membership Communications Expense | \$ 3,478 | \$ 5,470 |

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SASKATCHEWAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Schedule of Expenses (continued)
(Schedule 2)

Year Ended December 31, 2022

| | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| PROGRAMS | | |
| Library resources | \$ 1,617 | \$ 877 |
| Research | 672 | 933 |
| Subscription databases | 3,142 | 3,090 |
| Subscriptions | 59 | 174 |
| Supplies and bookbinding | 36 | - |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Subtotal: Library | 5,526 | 5,074 |
| Awards recognition | - | 163 |
| Births, Marriages, Deaths (BMD) Project | - | 52 |
| Computer services - data storage, website, etc. | 2,014 | 1,774 |
| Education, workshops, and certification | 1,558 | 4,029 |
| Publications and cost of sales | 664 | 1,233 |
| Special purchases | 28 | 436 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Total Programs Expense | \$ 9,790 | \$ 12,761 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| FUNDRAISING | | |
| Fundraising | \$ - | \$ 3,258 |
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Donations

SGS received the following donations from January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022.

DONATION

Friends (\$10-49)

Greg Arnott
Jode Boehm
Carol C. Clarke
Marge Cleave
Roberta Cox
Bev & Margaret Culbertson
Lorraine Didrikson
Linda Engel
Shirley Erskine
Dennis Fox
Rhonda M. Hall
Stan Hockett
Vera I. Holmes
David B. Jeggo
Birdene Keefe
Marian Kettlewell
Mark Larocque
Lloyd J. Lipinski
Robert Liska
Gloria Martin
Heather Mazurak
Lorna E. McLean
Rod & Corrie McLeod
Colleen Murphy-Beresh
Lois & Monty Needham
Shirley Payne
Marvin E. Peterson
Dorothy Pretare
Barbara Schuster
James Smith
Terry Smith
Beverly Tufts
Melinda Welygan
Glenn Wiseman
Jacqueline M. Wood
Linda Yip
Ami Zurowski

Fellows (\$50-99)

John Althouse
Heather Balaberda
Leverne Baxter
Kelly Browning
Grant Cameron
Marilyn & Barry Dies
Liz Edmunds
Donna Jamieson
Elaine M. Kozakavich
Judy Labossiere
Carol LaFayette-Boyd
Jim Lamb
Edmond Lemire/Wendi Stoeber
Lew & Dorothy Lockhart
Marilyn McPherson
Annette Prior
Gordon Thomas
Kenneth E. Yung

Associate (\$100-499)

John Althouse
Art & Angeline Battiste
Irene Blyth
Peggy I. Brown
Rae W. Chamberlain - *memorial for Robert Pittendrigh*
Bea Dolphin
Linda Engel
Judi Erickson
Brian D. Gushulak
Laura M. Hanowski - *memorial for Robert Pittendrigh and Jim Condon*
Patricia A. Jabusch
Susan R. Leitch
Peggy Mausch
Richard P. Moffat
Brian F. Neufeld
Gloria Onstad
Frances D. Reiss
Jane Richardson
Glenn Schmuland

SGS Central Butte Branch – *in memory of Bonnie Hampton*
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- » The SGS was formed in 1969 and celebrated its 50th Anniversary in 2019.
- » There are approximately 452 Society memberships or 678 members.
- » There are 10 branches around the province.
- » 23% of our total membership lives in rural areas.
- » SGS operates one of the largest genealogical lending libraries in Canada.
- » SGS received over 678 phone calls for genealogical information in 2022. There were calls from Australia, United States (Iowa, California, Michigan, Connecticut, Utah and Arizona) and throughout Canada.
- » 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 records.
- » 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.
- » During 2022 SGS had 86,157 visitors to our website.
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