

**CAPITAL AREA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
BYLAWS**
(with amendments adopted December 12, 2010)

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of the Society shall be the Capital Area Genealogical Society.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Society shall be to create and foster an interest in genealogy, encourage the preservation of genealogical materials, and publish a quarterly newsletter with information relating mainly to the counties of Dauphin and Cumberland in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Any person interested in genealogy is eligible for membership upon payment of the annual dues.

Section 2. The annual dues shall be \$15.00, payable in advance or before January 1 of each year. (Dues received from new members after November 1 will be credited to the following year.)

Section 3. The Treasurer will notify members who have not paid by March 31, and if payment is not received by April 30, the member's name will be deleted from the rolls.

Section 4. Dues rates can change by a majority vote of the Executive Board.

Section 5. The fiscal year shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE IV - THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The Executive Board (Board) of the Society shall consist of a President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and three (3) Directors. The Board shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Society.

Section 2. The Board shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Society between its monthly business meetings, fix the hour and place of meetings, make recommendations to the Society, and perform such duties as are specified in these Bylaws. The Board shall be subject to the orders of the Society, and none of its acts shall conflict with actions taken by the Society.

Section 3. At the regular September meeting, a Nominating Committee of three members shall be elected by those present. It shall be the duty of the Committee to nominate candidates for the offices to be filled at the November meeting. If there are insufficient nominees for the Nominating Committee, the President shall appoint any additional Nominating Committee members needed.

Section 4. At the regular November meeting, the Board shall be elected by ballot to serve for one year or until their successors are elected. The term of office shall begin at the close of the November meeting.

Section 5. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held quarterly. Special meetings may be called by the President.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS

Section 1. The regular meetings of the Society shall be held on the second Sunday of the month, with the exception of May (for Mothers' Day), and possibly April (for Easter), when the meeting will be the following Sunday.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the President or the Board.

ARTICLE VI - COMMITTEES

The President shall have the power, with the advice and consent of the Board, to appoint needed committees.

Finance Committee: Shall consist of the Treasurer and two members appointed by the President to oversee the budget and audit the finances, the audit to be completed following the January meeting and reported at the February meeting.

Social Committee: Shall arrange for refreshments to be donated and served.

Publicity Committee: Shall arrange for the publicity of the Society's meetings.

Program Committee: Shall arrange the programs for the meetings, secure speakers, and make arrangements to greet and introduce those speakers on the day the programs are being offered by the Society.

ARTICLE VII - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of "Robert's Rules of Order" shall govern the Society in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these Bylaws and any special rules of order in the Society.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

The Bylaws may be amended by the affirmation of two-thirds of the Society's Board, provided the written notice of the amendments shall have been furnished to the Board with notice of the meeting at which the amendments are to be presented.

ARTICLE IX - LIMIT OF LIABILITY

The Society agrees to indemnify and save harmless the officers and directors from any and all liabilities that they may incur as a result of carrying out their duties and obligations to the Society, except for willful and malicious injuries to persons or property. The private property of the officers and directors shall be wholly exempt from liability for any and all debts, obligations, and liabilities of the Society.

ARTICLE X - DISSOLUTION

In the event of the dissolution of the Society, its assets shall be distributed to such other nonprofit or tax-exempt organization as may be determined by the Board in place at that time.