August 14, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Capital Area Genealogical Society was held August 14, 2011, at Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church. President Jim McAteer called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m. Fifteen members and guests were present. First-time attendees introduced themselves and told us what families they're researching.

Secretary Freda Yocum read the minutes of the June meeting, which were accepted as read. Secretary Yocum read the treasurer's report, which is on file with these minutes.

Librarian Karl Fox thanked everyone for their efforts at the June meeting in recreating the missing index cards for our surname file. Newsletter editor Molly Ulsh asked for items for our newsletter.

President McAteer reported that he contacted the West Shore genealogical society about a joint meeting next year. They are interested in doing that, probably for their January 8 or February 5 meeting. They meet Sunday at 3:00 p.m. at the West Shore YMCA. More information will be forthcoming.

He also reported on the Juniata County Historical Society's trip to the DAR and National Archives in Washington D.C. on Wednesday, October 26. They will pick up in Mifflin County and at the Camp Hill Shopping Center at 7:15 a.m. Payment of \$40 is due to Terry Wheeler by September 28.

President McAteer further reported that we'll have a field trip to AHEC in Carlisle in October, and that he reserved our meeting room at the church for 2012. He opened the floor for genealogical question; there were none, but Bob Viguers reported that the Paxtang Cemetery gave him two lots for putting their records on computer.

Vice-president Robin Lighty reported on the Harrisburg Cemetery event September 11, featuring cemetery tours, re-enactors, and free refreshments. We have flyers available, and we'll put it on our website. We'll probably be able to have a large table just inside the door of the caretaker's house, but if not, we'll be on the large covered porch. We'll have two computers and large screens to do look-ups and show our website. We'll set up between 11:30 and 11:45; the first (and largest) tour is 12:00. Between 90 and 130 people usually attend. There's plenty of free parking. The cemetery will probably do free look-ups; money collected for tours benefits the cemetery. We'll meet there in lieu of our regular meeting that day.

Finally, President McAteer asked for volunteers for a nominating committee. When there were none, he asked Rich Rudisill and Fern Boyer to serve on the committee, and they agreed to.

The business meeting was adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

Karen Schmidt, Harrisburg chapter regent, and Joan Bretz, Cumberland County chapter treasurer, spoke about the DAR.

Respectfully submitted,

Freda J. Yocum Secretary