

SMRAS Board Meeting  
February 5, 1987

The meeting was called to order by Peter Burckmyer at 8:30 p.m. at the home of Alice Avouris. The following Directors were present: Alice Avouris, Peter Burckmyer, Roger Garrison, Frank Gillette, Ellen Heidelbergen, David McIntire, Sophie Keyes, Stan Lincoln, Donna Nye, Pam Rubin, and Betty Wiltse. Kaye Anderson and Harold Bischoff were also present.

The minutes of the January Board Meeting were accepted as read.

Peter Burckmyer remarked that the Quizz Program was so successful we shall have to do a repeat next year.

The Treasurer's report: Excess of Revenue over Expense April 1, 1986 - January 31, 1986 - \$2,983.64. The Balance - \$22,983.64. The Endowment Fund - \$67,281.18. Light Memorial Scholarship Fund - \$11,581. Saw Mill Audubon Scholarship Fund - \$5,247. Naturalist Medical Benefits Fund - \$203.10.

The Budget Committee meeting will be held at Frank Gillette's on February 18, 1987.

Donna Nye announced that we have a date for the Clearwater outing. We will sail from Hastings on May 23, 1987, on the Voyager, which holds only 44. A \$100 deposit is required. The charge for the boat is \$500. The plan is to charge \$15 per person and to offer tickets first to membership. If all 44 spaces are filled, we will make a profit of \$160. April 10 is the date applications will be accepted with a May 1st deadline. A drawing from the applications will then be made to see who will go on the trip. Donna will make up the notice to be put in the Bulletin.

Donna said 50 scholarship notices have been sent but so far only two inquiries have been received.

Kaye Anderson reported that the January weather had not been good for work at the schools. She worked with Midge Arnold on the reptile exhibit for Teatown. Bill Rudy is more than half finished with the work on the board walk at Gedney. It should be completed by the end of March. With the extra money we can repair the bridges at Pinecliff and Choate. <sup>might</sup>

The suggestion was made that since 1987 is the 30th anniversary of the gift of Brinton Brook Sanctuary, it would be a good place to hold the Family Day Outing.

Peter announced that because of tax complications, the Marshall property will not be coming to SMRAS.

SMRAS will join the coalition for the plan for saving the Jay property from development.

The Youth Group held a meeting to decide which items they would like to take part in.

Frank Gillette announced that all of the bird seed has been sold.

Stan Lincoln said that a copy of the Revised By-Laws of the Federation of New York Bird Clubs will be sent to Peter Burckmyer. It must be approved by two-thirds of the clubs.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Harold Bischoff.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Elizabeth Wiltse  
Recording Secretary