

BU Secretary/Treasurer's Report 2011

There are currently 138 members in the Biology Unit with 39 life members. Fifteen new members have joined since June 2010 and three members were reinstated. Unfortunately, 68 names were purged from my membership lists. Some of these were members who had not paid dues for several years.

In January our former president, Fran Hammond, died. Besides serving as president, Fran also was our publisher, printing and mailing the journal for many years. We have been fortunate that Dick Roman volunteered to take over the job. We had to work out a few kinks in the system, as Fran used to have all the information on her computer, but I think we have it all straightened out now. Please let the Secretary know if you are not receiving the journal as you expect.

We are still working on a directory of members in the Unit. If you have not already done so, please let the Secretary know whether the Unit has your permission to publish your postal or e-mail addresses.

Since the current treasurer took over last July, the Unit has had income of \$2,352.02, of which \$311.25 was new member dues and \$1,652.27 was renewals. We received donations of \$388.50, much of which was a result of confusion after we sent out more than one notice for renewals. Expenses for the year were \$2136.14. This consisted of \$930.64 for printing the journal, and \$992.12 for postage. The web site expenses were \$184.25. The current balance is \$18,636.78.