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PRE-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2007

7:00 – 10:00 p.m. **Executive Board Meeting** Dunhill B

FRIDAY, JULY 13, 2007

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Executive Board Meeting** Dunhill B
2:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Registration** Lobby
7:15 – 9:15 p.m. **Personnel Committee Meeting** Essex Boardroom

SATURDAY, JULY 14, 2007

7:00 – 8:30 a.m. **Publications Committee Meeting** Essex Boardroom
8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Registration** Lobby
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Tours** Lobby
Meet in the Lobby at 8:45 a.m.

Tour 1

Historical and cultural Philadelphia, including the National Constitution Center.

Tour 2

**Brandywine River Museum, home of N. C. and Andrew Wyeth Family Collections,
and Longwood Gardens.**

6:45 – 7:45 p.m. **Chapter Presidents/Advisory Council Dessert/Reception** Alexander's Café

8:00 – 9:00 p.m. **Concert/DayBreak** Dunhill Ballroom
DayBreak is a musical group known for its rich blend of instruments and voices with Celtic jigs, reels, and ballads. Their repertoire includes American folk tunes and songs, seasonal songs, and their own original mix of traditional and modern styles.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JULY 15, 2007

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| 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. | Registration | Lobby |
| 8:00 – 9:30 a.m. | Prez Corps (Former CSLA Presidents) Breakfast | Essex Boardroom |
| 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. | Exhibits (closed during lunch) | Rittenhouse Ballroom |
| 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. | Silent Auction (closed during lunch) | Rittenhouse Ballroom |
| 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. | Coffee Break | Rittenhouse Ballroom |
| 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. | Interfaith Service Dr. William David Thompson | Washington Ballroom |
| 12 Noon | Opening Luncheon Welcome by Mary Clare Zales, Deputy Secretary of Education, Commissioner of Libraries, and State Librarian Invocation: Charles Snyder Speaker: Dr. Larry Day “The Value of Books: One Man’s Journey from Dyslexia to Ph.D.” Introduction of Exhibitors | Adams Room |

2 – 3:15 p.m. Workshop Session I

- 1 Membership Development in your chapter—J. Theodore Anderson** **Washington A**
Here’s a hands-on workshop for officers of CSLA chapters. This workshop will give you specific ideas for increasing and retaining your membership—plus valuable aids and hand-outs.
- 2 Creating stronger library newsletters—Sarah Bergin, Judy Kooker, and T. Carroll Moyer** **Dunhill D**
Want to make your library’s newsletters more effective? Discover what to include, where to get good material, and how to lay it out.
- 3 Visual ways to promote your library—Linda Corey** **Dunhill E**
Add more zing to your library’s displays. Use color, 3-D objects, paper magic, and more to grab the viewer’s attention. The presenter will show you her latest techniques. (Repeated in Session V)
- 4 Incorporating generations in your library—Martha Huntley** **Washington B**
Learn to understand better the diverse generations your congregation serves so that you can deepen your library’s outreach and “in-reach.”
- 5 Storytelling for all ages—Roberta Ash** **Dunhill F**
Learn how your library can use Bible stories, personal experiences, fairy tales, and folk tales to foster justice, fidelity, love, and courage in “children” of all ages.
- 6 Jewish literature for interfaith libraries—Lori Goodstein and Marilyn Rothberg** **Dunhill B**
Your library can help non-Jewish patrons better understand Jewish faith and practice. The presenters will point you to great materials for all ages in diverse media.

3:15 – 4:15 p.m. **Meet the Authors** Rittenhouse Ballroom
 Larry Day Diane Gibfried
 Ted-David Mizingou Rebecca Price Janney
 Thomas Quinn Freiman Stoltzfus
 William David Thompson Jeanette Windle

4:30 – 5:30 p.m. **Concert/Celebration Ringers and Reception** Adams Salon/Grand Foyer
Celebration Ringers is a well-traveled handbell choir from Central Presbyterian Church, Downingtown, PA. Jean Reid, director for the past six years, has served in Christian music ministries for many years.

6:00 – 7:45 p.m. **Awards Banquet** Adams Room
 Kay Mowery, Awards Committee Chair, presiding

Outstanding Congregational Library
 Faith Community Lutheran Church, Longmont, Colorado
 Librarian - Lois Ward
Pat Tabler Memorial Scholarship Award
 Elaine Amromin
 Temple Beth David Library, Temple City, California
Honorary Life Membership
 Mrs. Vera G. Hunter, Washington, D. C.
Rodda Young Adult Award, 2007
A Friend at Midnight, by Caroline B. Cooney

7:45 – 8:45 p.m. **Concert/Mixolydian** Adams Room
Mixolydian, an *a capella* choir, has been singing sacred and secular music for over 21 years. This sixteen member group is directed by JoEllyn Beck.

MONDAY, JULY 16, 2007

7:00 – 8:30 a.m. **Publications Process Meeting** Dunhill C
 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Registration** Grand Foyer
 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Exhibits** Rittenhouse Ballroom
 (closed during lunch)
 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Silent Auction** Rittenhouse Ballroom
 (closed during lunch)
 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. **Coffee Break** Rittenhouse Ballroom

9 – 10:15 a.m. Workshop Session II

❶ **Secular children’s books with spiritual values—Miriam Johnson** Washington A
 Enrich your congregational library with secular trade books that reveal God’s presence in the world. Abundant examples will be offered.

❷ **Doing Dewey: principles of classification—Esther G. Bierbaum** Washington B
 Explore how your library can make the best use of the Dewey Decimal Classification system, especially the 200 (Religion) schedule.

3 Ten steps to automating your library—Kim Simmons **Dunhill B**
Explore ways to use automation software to enhance your ministry. You'll learn how to prepare your collection, circulation procedures, and more. (Repeated in Session IV)

4 Concourse and EZCat: An Introduction—Alrene R. Hall and Jane Hope **Dunhill D**
The presenters, both congregational librarians, will show you how they make use of Book Systems' library software, Concourse, and the cataloging program, EZCat.

5 Basic book care and repair, Part 1—Franck Leprodhomme (Brodart) **Dunhill E**
A practical, "hands-on" session will demonstrate easy, inexpensive ways you can repair and protect books in your collection. (Part 2 is scheduled in Session III)

6 Self-esteem by God's Design—Larry Day **Dunhill F**
Self-esteem from a Judeo-Christian perspective will be the focus. You'll gain insights into self-esteem's role in a healthy social and spiritual life.

10:30 – 11:45 a.m. Workshop Session III

1 Godless? Young adult literature in your library—Rebecca Sheridan and Betsy Swan **Washington A**
The presenters will help you explore young adult trends, genres, formats, and resources.

2 Understanding your neighbor's faith: Islam—Iftekhhar Hussain **Dunhill F**
The presenter will give a basic introduction to Islam through source texts, practices and rituals, and its view of the Other. He'll share book and Internet resources for your library.

3 Evaluating library information software—Kim Simmons **Dunhill B**
If you're considering automating—or even changing systems, you will learn how to evaluate your options, compare features, anticipate costs, and benefit from a free trial.

4 Concourse and EZCat: Dig a little deeper—Alrene R. Hall and Jane Hope **Dunhill D**
If you are already using Concourse or EZCat library software, the presenters will show you how to unlock the full potential of these programs. Feel free to bring questions.

5 Basic book care and repair—Part 2—Franck Leprodhomme (Brodart) **Dunhill E**
This will be a continuation of the practical, "hands-on" begun in Session II.

6 Managing your congregation's small library—Cindy Longacre **Washington B**
A well-managed collection can assist a congregation of any size with its mission, even when faced with the challenges of only a small collection.

12 Noon **Luncheon** **Adams Room**
40th Anniversary Celebration - Maryann Barth, CSLA President, presiding

2:30 – 3:45 p.m. Workshop Session IV

1 Fiction for congregational libraries—Linda Beck **Washington A**
Gain lots of good ideas and resources for fiction titles, whether for book discussion groups or for the person who is simply looking for "something good to read."

2 Ten steps to automating your library—Kim Simmons **Dunhill B**
(Repeat of Session II)

3 Resources for caring ministries—Catharine Lomax and Cissy Claypool **Dunhill D**
Discover how to network with faith-based organizations, develop lists of area resources, plan workshops, find mental-health support, and more.

4 Social justice resources for your library—Paul Johnson **Dunhill E**
Members of many congregations are in a fog about where to turn for faith-based perspectives on current social issues. Learn some ways to fill this information gap.

5 Weeding is good for the soul—Peggy Mahan **Dunhill F**
The CREW method for keeping your collection current, useful, and fresh will be demonstrated. Ideas on what to do with “freebies” will be shared.

6 Using the Web to better manage your library—Joy Dlugosz **Washington B**
Improve your library through use of book award sites, product sites, Web-based reviews, Web-based cataloging info, promotional ideas, and more.

3:45 – 4:45 p.m. **Meet the Authors** Rittenhouse Ballroom

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| Larry Day | Diane Gibfried |
| Maria Hough | Miriam Johnson |
| Thomas Quinn | Jennifer B-C Seaver |

5:00 – 5:45 p.m. **Software Demonstration** **Dunhill B**
Library Concepts

6:00 – 8:30 p.m. **Dinner and Dramatic Presentation** **Adams Room**
“Women of the Bible—Women of Passion, Power and Purpose” – Anita Gutschick
Anita Gutschick, a liturgical dramatist, is the creator of *Women of the Bible*, a drama ministry portraying women of passion, power, and purpose from the Old and New Testaments. Her presentations across the United States at churches, synagogues and related events have received high praise.

8:30 – 9:30 p.m. **Pick up Silent Auction Items** **Rittenhouse Ballroom**

TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2007

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| 8:00 a.m. – 12 Noon | Registration | Grand Foyer |
| 7:45 – 8:45 a.m. | Continental Breakfast | Jefferson/Paine |
| 8:45 – 10:15 a.m. | Business Meeting/Installation of Officers | Jefferson/Paine |

10:30 – 11:45 a.m. Workshop Session V

1 Everything you need to know about book clubs—Susanne Martin **Dunhill B**
You will learn everything you need to know about how to start, lead, facilitate, and even referee book discussions at all age levels.

2 Holiday treasures: resources for special seasons—Monica Tenney **Washington A**
All congregations have special times for anticipation, reflection, penitence, remembrance, and celebration. Discover some great print and non-print resources.

3 Telling the story: congregational history—Rev. Joseph DiPaolo **Dunhill D**
The presenter will lift up the value of congregational history in enhancing the lives of people today by providing practical ideas for gathering, organizing, storing, and sharing your history.

4 Our libraries, our selves—Rev. Carla A. Jones **Dunhill F**
Like artists, librarians and bibliophiles, express themselves through their collections. Learn how to build a library that reflects your congregation's personality.

5 Visual ways to promote your library—Linda Corey **Dunhill E**
(Repeat of Session I)

6 Religious resources on the Web—Valerie Anewalt **Washington B**
Learn how to sort through the religious information on the Web. The presenter will show you how to develop a strong selection of resources for your congregational library.

12 Noon **Closing Luncheon** Adams Room
Speaker: Dr. Anthony Campolo

2:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Tours** Lobby
Meet in the Lobby at 1:45 p.m.

Tour 1
Congregational Library Tour, including Or Shalom Synagogue, Church of the Good Samaritan (Episcopal), Westminster Presbyterian Church

Tour 2
John James Audubon Center at Mill Grove and Valley Forge National Park

2:00 – 5:00 p.m. **CSLA Executive Board Meeting** Dunhill B

AUTHORS

Anthony Campolo See author bio under Speakers

Larry Day See author bio under Speakers

Diane Gibfried recently earned a degree in psychology from Bryn Mawr College after her education was interrupted by marriage and the birth of her three children. While a McBride Scholar at Bryn Mawr, she wrote her first book, *Brother Juniper*, as a project for a children's literature course. In describing the story line, she says, "Because he is generous, Brother Juniper gives away everything the monks own until all that is left is an empty home. A story about building community," it is clearly an excellent book for congregational libraries.

Maria Hough is the author and photographer of her self-published children's book, *Outside My School Bus Window*. In 2001, after being a stay-at-home-mom for fifteen years, she became a school bus driver for a Bucks County school district. Inspiration for her writing comes from her everyday life experiences and driving the bus run through the countryside of rural Bucks County. The author succeeds admirably in her goal of helping young children to appreciate their environment and to see with new eyes the scenes outside their school bus window.

Miriam J. Johnson received her Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction from Boston College. She has been a classroom teacher, librarian, and reading resource teacher in elementary schools, a professor of children's literature on the college level, and an editor for children's resources. A retired educator, she

now writes and lectures on the subject. She has received the Helen Keating Ott Award from the Church and Synagogue Library Association for her “outstanding contribution in children’s literature.” Her book, *Building a Child’s Library: Inside Twenty-Five classic Children’s Stories*, 2004, has been praised as a “much needed book for teachers, librarians, and parents who desire that children’s lives be enhanced by quality literature.” An older edition published in 1988 includes an essay on *Bridge to Terabithia*.

Ted-David Mizingou, author of the memoir *Darkened by the Sun: A Story of Love, Faith, Hope, and Miracles*, grew up in Africa, and moved to the U. S. at the age of twenty-four. His experience includes directing and teaching VBS and Sunday school, as well as teaching French in college classes. Fluent in French, English and African languages, he has made numerous mission trips to cities in the U. S. and to his native country of Congo-Brazzaville. He has also done translation work for world-renowned individuals and dignitaries such as Dr. Jane Goodall and the First Lady of the Republic of Congo. His repertoire of speaking topics includes African issues, Cross-cultural Marriages, Cross-Cultural Living (for international students), Empowering Youth, Finding Your Mate, Leadership, Faith, Writing, and Getting Published.

Rebecca Price Janney has written for newspapers and magazines, beginning at age fifteen when she landed a job writing a column for the Phillipsburg (NJ) *Free Press*. Her best selling series, *Great Women in American History*, featuring women of faith and principle whose lives impacted the nation, was published in 1996. It was followed by *Great Stories in American History* and *Great Letters in American History*. Her biography of Harriet Tubman appeared in 1999. As a mystery writer she published *Impossible Dreamers*, a series for 8-12 year olds featuring time-travel to solve histories’ unsolved mysteries and the *Heather Reed Mystery Series*. A staff writer for the Christian History Institute and contributor to *Pennsylvania Magazine*, her writing is frequently anthologized. She completed a doctorate at Biblical Theological Seminary in 2000, focusing her studies on the interpretation of women’s roles throughout American history.

Thomas Quinn’s fascination with history, business and Venice is evident in his work, *The Lion of St. Mark*. After a career in marketing and sales with Procter & Gamble in the U. S. and U.K., Warner-Lambert Consumer Healthcare, CIGNA Healthcare, and serving as president of the Irish Dairy Board, he enjoys travel, especially to Europe, music, reading—both fiction and nonfiction—and, since he was a boy, has had a strong interest in military history. He is currently EVP of Swiss Medica.

Jennifer B-C Seaver, a former university international educator, returned to Iran in 2002. She likes to hike, backpack, and travel with her husband, Paul. When they are not out exploring the world, they make their home in West Chester, PA. *Journeys: A Novel of Iran* is her first major publication. To read more of her writings about Iran, visit www.peacecorpswriters.blogspot.com. She is an active member of the Church of the Holy Trinity, West Chester, PA, as well as the Brandywine Valley Writers Group and the International Women’s Writing Guild.

Freiman Stoltzfus, artist and illustrator, is a Lancaster County native born into an Amish Mennonite family. Having studied in Europe, he recently opened *Gallery 2* in downtown Lancaster, PA. His beautiful paintings are seen in the illustrations of four books: *A Dreamer’s Heart*, *A is for Amish*, *Auntie Anne: My Story*, and *The Christmas Story*, all of which will be available for purchase and autographing. Noted for his use of form and color in various mediums and techniques, his artistry has been recognized throughout the world.

William David Thompson is a retired pastor and seminary professor who now manages a family business. He has lectured widely, including leading seminars for corporate executives and military chaplains. *On-the-Job Prayers: 101 Reflections and Prayers for Christians in Every Occupation* has been praised by readers from the workplace.

Jeanette Windle, daughter of missionaries, grew up in Colombia and later went with her husband to Bolivia to work with an interdenominational Christian Mission organization. She began her writing career producing Spanish-language educational and inspirational material for women and children at risk, as well as writing articles for a variety of international publications. Her first book, *Kathy and the Redhead*, which tells of her experiences growing up in South America, was published in 1991. She continued writing adventure and mystery/suspense books for children and young adults. Her first major adult fiction was *CrossFire*, a political/suspense novel set in the counter-narcotics war in Bolivia, followed by a teen novel, *Jana's Journal*, and a second adult political/suspense novel, *The DMZ*, set in the guerilla warfare in Colombia. Her recent titles include *FireStorm*, an exploration of Islamic terror ties in Latin America, and a suspense novel, *Fires Below*. *The DMZ* has been published in Spanish as *Zona de Despeje*.

WORKSHOP LEADERS

J. Theodore Anderson is the Director of the Library and Archives Department at the National Presbyterian Church and Center in Washington, D. C. A lifelong Presbyterian, Jim has been a member at the National Church for over 32 years. He is the incoming First Vice President of CSLA and is also the President of the CSLA Affiliate in the greater Washington, D. C., metropolitan area, The Congregational Library Association. A former Executive Director at the National Education Association in Washington, D. C., he also has been a college professor and public school administrator.

Valerie Anewalt is presently working part-time as classification and cataloging specialist at ECRI, a healthcare research institute in Plymouth Meeting, PA. Her interests include church and community volunteer activities, cataloging for the Church of the Good Samaritan library in Paoli, PA, reading, golf, and travel.

Roberta Ash, after thirty-five years in the health care profession, changed her life's direction by completing a degree in Library Science. During her studies she discovered a love for telling stories. She is currently employed as a children's librarian at the InfoZone Library, a branch of the Indianapolis Marion County Public Library located within The Children's Museum of Indianapolis.

Linda Beck is the Director of the Indian Valley Public Library in Telford, Montgomery County, PA. She has presented workshops for CSLA and the former Lutheran Church Library Association for over 20 years.

Sarah K. Bergin is a freelance consultant with experience ranging from numerous newsletters, to ad design, to websites. She is responsible for design and layout of the Perkasio Mennonite Church Library newsletter and serves as the church's webmaster.

Esther G. Bierbaum has been involved in school, public, museum, business and church libraries. She taught Cataloging and Classification and Special Librarianship, among other courses, at the University of

Iowa. These subjects have also been the focus of her research. She received her Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Cissy Claypool has been a Stephen Minister for seven years and a Stephen Ministry Leader as the referrals coordinator at the Church of the Good Samaritan for the last three years. She has also served on the Advisory Board for the Saint Barnabas Homeless Shelter in West Philadelphia. In these various ministries, she has accumulated a sound understanding of both the secular and faith-sponsored care-giving resources available in community outreach.

Linda Corey taught for thirty years, serving as a classroom teacher, a school library media specialist, a project leader for gifted and talented students and an assistant professor in teacher education at the college level prior to becoming a librarian. Heading two libraries in her church for the past ten years, she and her ministry team circulated will over 8,100 items in 2006. In 2003 she was honored as CSLA's Outstanding Congregational Librarian.

Dr. Larry Day has retired from professional counseling after many years in private practice. He is an author, speaker, and educator, and will now turn his attention to doing more writing and speaking. He recently returned from spending a month in Israel with some unique insights to present on the subject of self-esteem from an international perspective.

Joy Dlugosz is a Reader Services Librarian at Eastern University's Warner Memorial Library. After rearing her children, she obtained her degree in Library Science from the University of Pittsburgh. She is active in the American College of Research Libraries (ACRL) and is on the Educational Development Committee of the Tri-County Library Consortium (TCLC).

Rev. Joseph DiPaolo is an ordained Methodist minister and Senior Pastor of the Wayne United Methodist Church, Wayne, PA. He is also the president of the Eastern PA Conference Historical Society and editor of *Annals of Eastern Pennsylvania*, an annual journal which chronicles the history of United Methodism in the Philadelphia region. He has researched and written the histories of several area congregations and edited the memoirs of a 19th century circuit riding minister, entitled *My Business was to Fight the Devil*.

Lori Goodstein is librarian at Rebecca Kauffman Library of Keshet-Israel Congregation in West Chester, PA. Their library is used by the entire community and is an integral part of the Religious School. The Kauffman Library was the proud recipient of the Solomon Schechter Gold Award for Excellence.

Alrene R. Hall and Jane Hope have been librarians for thirty years at Champion Forest-Baptist Church in Houston. They both are retired public school librarians after thirty years of service. They now serve as CSLA Board members and are active in the Houston Area Chapter.

Martha Huntley has been the director of the Presbyterian Resource Center of the Presbytery of Tampa Bay, Florida, for twenty years. This resource center, one of the most widely used and known in the Presbyterian Church, serves congregations of other denominations as well. A journalist missionary in South Korea for twenty years, she authored the book, *Caring, Growing and Changing*, worked as a newspaper reporter and book reviewer for the *Charlotte Observer*, and served as a research assistant for author Harry Golden.

Dr. Iftekhar Hussain is engaged in local educational initiatives with a focus on “Islam and the Middle East” and “US Foreign Policy and the Muslim World.” He worked with national Muslim organizations as a consultant for local work and representation, represented local Muslim organizations at the national level and worked on interfaith initiatives in Texas and Pennsylvania. He is a consultant with non-profit Muslim organizations, currently serving as Chair of the Board of the Council on America Islamic Relations, Pennsylvania-Philadelphia Chapter(CAIR). He is Secretary General of the American Muslim Society of the Tri-state Area of PA, NJ, and DE and serves on the advisory committee of the Middle East Peace Building Unit of the American Friends Service Committee.

Dr. Miriam Johnson has been a school librarian and a church librarian, as well as a classroom teacher in elementary schools. Prior to her retirement she served in the Reading Department of the Brockton, MA, public school system and taught courses in Children’s Literature and Young Adult Literature at Boston College and Bridgewater State College. In 1991, she received CSLA’s Helen Keating Ott Ward for Outstanding Contribution to Children’s Literature. She is the author of three books including *Building a Child’s Library: Inside Twenty-five Stories*.

Dr. Paul Johnson holds degrees in Practical Theology and World Religions and has taught on the faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences for almost twenty years. A retired pastor of the Lutheran Church, he lives with his wife in the Boston area and teaches courses at Massachusetts Bay College. His published books include *Grace for the Workplace, God and World Religions, Caution: God at Work, and Buried Alive*.

Rev. Carla A. Jones earned a Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary in 2004. She has experience in teaching and administrative work in the fields of higher and secondary education and has served as an Assistant Minister at her home church, Second Baptist Church of Long Branch, NJ, and also as a summer intern at Triumph Baptist Church in Philadelphia. Most recently she served as an Assistant Minister at Bright Hope Baptist Church and is currently a member and Associate Minister of Salem Baptist Church in Jenkintown, PA. She was ordained into the “work of the Gospel ministry” in 2005 and is excited about the work that God has placed before her.

Judy Kooker serves as an office assistant at Hilsoft Notifications, Souderton, PA, and is the desktop publisher of the Buxmont Church Librarians newsletter, combining a strong knowledge of desktop publishing with a creative flair.

Franck Leprodhomme received a master’s degree in 2004 from Paris 12 University, majoring in International Business. He began working with Brodart in 2005 after an eighteen month internship. He has worked closely with internal book experts to become well versed at protecting, cleaning and repairing books.

Catherine Lomax, a nurse for over forty years, came to the U. S. in 1967 from England and worked as a nurse in several hospitals and as a visiting nurse in patient’s homes. She was a case manager at Paoli Hospital for nine years and a Parish Nurse in a large Episcopal Church for the past seven years. Her volunteer work includes blood pressure screening, programs for Senior Citizens, Red Cross Blood drives, parishioners visiting the homebound, R. I. P. Ministry phone calls to parishioners in bereavement.

Cindy Longacre has been serving a small church library for twenty-eight years. She also enjoys teaching Sunday school to preschoolers, entertaining in her home, clowning and being a mother and grandmother.

Peggy Mahan, a retired library director of the Easttown Library & Information Center in Berwyn, PA, has worked in public law, school and university libraries. She has an MLS from Villanova University and an MS in Information Studies from Drexel University.

Susanne Martin has been involved in library work since her high school days. With a B. S. degree in Library Science, she has been Head of Technical Services at the Easttown Library & Information Center in Berwyn, PA, for over fifteen years. She has hosted the Afternoon Book Club at the library for the past ten years and enjoys reading books of all types.

T. Carroll Moyer is a former high school teacher and librarian at Fisher Community High School of Illinois and Christopher Dock High School in PA. Most recently he has served as librarian at the Mennonite Conference Resource Center in Souderton, PA. In this capacity he has also edited *Library News & Views*, a quarterly newsletter for church librarians.

Marilyn Rothberg has an MLS from Drexel University and has worked as a librarian in a public library, an elementary school, and a synagogue. She is currently the librarian at Sugartown Hills Elementary School in the Great Valley School District, PA, and was formerly the librarian at Keshet Israel's Rebecca Kauffman Library.

Rebecca Sheridan is the Youth Services Librarian at the Easttown Library & Information Center in Berwyn, PA. She has a degree in Library & Information Science from Drexel University and reviews books for *School Library Journal*. She loves teens and is eager to share in an exciting exploration of the books they like to read.

Kim Simmons is a Library Automation Specialist with Surpass Software library automation. She has helped many types of libraries automate and particularly enjoys interacting with congregational librarians. Kim is a skilled presenter and conducts user training sessions for Surpass, producer of top-quality library automation software, including Surpass CL, designed for congregational libraries.

Betsy Swan taught English in a Quaker middle school for eighteen years before obtaining an MSLIS from Syracuse University. She has served as an elementary school librarian, and is currently a middle and high school librarian at The Shipley School in Bryn Mawr, PA. It was her commitment to teens and love of learning that led her to work in the library.

Monica Tenney is librarian at Maple Grove UMC in Columbus, OH. She is a retired analyst for the state of Ohio and a graduate of Ohio State and Kent State Universities. Her favorite pastimes include reading, gardening, and music. As media review editor for *Church & Synagogue Libraries*, she receives a steady stream of information about new books and video releases of potential interest to congregational librarians.

ENTERTAINMENT

DAYBREAK

The DayBreak musicians have been making music together for the last 16 years in the Bucks and Lehigh County area. They are known for their rich blend of instruments and voices with Celtic jigs, reels, and ballads. American folk tunes and songs, seasonal songs, and their own original mix of traditional and modern styles. DayBreak includes Cliff Cole playing the hammered dulcimer, guitar and percussion; Anna Lisa Yoder on the violin, mandolin, and bouzouki; and Rob Yoder on concertina, guitar, bodhran, harp, and mountain dulcimer, DayBreak also incorporates the musical skills of their children including Emily Cole on tin whistle, Trudy Yoder on cello, Lydia Yoder on violin, and Seth Yoder on hammered dulcimer and keyboard. Everyone lends their voices to a growing repertoire of winsome and compelling songs.

They have performed in various settings including the Bethlehem Music Fest, Longwood Gardens, the Allentown Mayfair, Kutztown Pennsylvania German Festival as well as various coffeehouses, club, and church settings. Along with their five recordings they are featured on the soundtrack for *Expressions of Common Hands*, a Times Warner documentary on Pennsylvania German folk arts. This engagement will be an encore from their well-received performance at the CSLA conference ten years ago.

CELEBRATION RINGERS

This handbell choir from Central Presbyterian Church, Downingtown, PA, has been ringing since 1974 and has traveled five times to Great Britain to share their musical ministry in churches, schools and cathedrals large and small in England, Scotland and Wales. They enjoy a reciprocal relationship with The Amici Singers from Sandy, England, who visit Central Presbyterian Church every three years for Easter. They have also participated in several regional workshops sponsored by the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers.

The director, Jean Reid, has served in Christian musical ministries for many years and has led the choir for the past six years. They have a 5-1/2 octave set of Schulmerich English handbells (made nearby in Sellersville, PA) and a 3 octave set of hand chimes. Twelve to fourteen committed volunteer men and women ringers of all ages come from many walks of life, including among others, teachers, computer programmers, office workers, and a librarian.

MIXOLYDIAN

Mixolydian is an *a cappella* choir of 16 voices that started 21 years ago as a quartet brought together to enhance a church choir for a special performance. JoEllyn Beck has been the director of this group of friends since its inception. They sing at worship services in each other's churches every summer and have branched out to sing in other Delaware Valley churches, give concerts for worthy causes, and sing for weddings and funerals. Although their music is predominately sacred, they have expanded their repertoire to include spirituals, jazz, popular music, and show tunes. The name Mixolydian is a musical term which describes an ecclesiastical mode whose intervals are the same as those of the white keys on the piano from G to G. Mixolydian also describes their "mixed" group of performers from three faiths and many professions.

ANITA GUTSCHICK

Anita Gutschick hails from Severna Park, Maryland and is known in the Greater Baltimore/Washington area for her stage work since 1989. She has studied acting, voice, and movement and has worked professionally in video, film and radio, including the Burn Brae Dinner Theater's Student Enrichment Program and Maryland Hall Story Theater. She developed *Women of the Bible* in 1995 and, in 1999, after God's prompting, she committed herself full-time to the development and performance of this drama ministry. Over the years Anita has shared the message of these biblical women with tens of thousands of people across the United States.

In addition to her ministry as a Christian dramatist, Anita is active in her own church and has served as a deacon and trained as a Stephen Minister. In July, 2004, she joined the Advisory Board for the International Society for Excellence in Christian Film & Television, a group that offers encouragement, praise and support to mainstream television industry professionals and filmmakers who are creating high quality drama, comedy and documentary programs that portray Christians and Christian values in a positive light.

SPEAKERS

DR. LARRY DAY

Before becoming a professional counselor, author, and speaker, Larry was a youth minister and Christian high school teacher. He has been a guest professor at Christian colleges in the Portland area. His travels to over 35 different countries around the world include studying under Dr. Francis Schaffer at L'Abri, in Switzerland, and spending two summers on an Israeli kibbutz. This broad background of learning and experience has prepared Dr. Day and his wife Gail for a unique opportunity to share with many churches, conferences, retreats, conventions, schools and colleges on a large range of topics. He and his wife live in Portland, Oregon.

Dr. Day has repeatedly discovered that an inaccurate perspective of a person's value and lack of knowledge regarding their innate design causes frequent problems for individuals. Observing the everyday struggles of Christians to "live life successfully" has compelled him to compile this information in book form, on tape and for personal presentation. In more than 31 years of counseling sessions and speaking engagements, he has helped thousands of people discover the freedom and joy that comes from an accurate understanding of what it means to be "Made in the Image of God." It has become a passion for Larry and his wife Gail to convey to their reading and listening audience the accurate information, perspectives and tools that have profoundly changed both their own lives and those they have taught.

Dr. Day's gentle, common sense and thought-provoking presentations have helped people find the answers they've been looking for. If your congregation or group has struggled with some of these same problems, you will likely find answers too.

DR. ANTHONY CAMPOLO

Dr. Anthony Campolo is Professor Emeritus of Sociology at Eastern University in St. Davids, Pennsylvania. He previously served for ten years on the faculty of the University of Pennsylvania. A graduate of Eastern College, he earned a Ph.D. from Temple University. Founder and President of the Evangelical Association for the Promotion of Education (EAPE), Dr. Campolo has worked to create, nurture and support programs for "at-risk" children in cities across North America, and has helped establish schools and universities in several developing countries.

Dr. Campolo is a media commentator on religious, social and political matters, having been a guest on national television programs such as *Larry King Live* and *CNN*. He co-hosted his own television series, *Hashing It Out*, on the Odyssey Network, and presently hosts *Across The Pond*, a weekly program on the Premier Christian Radio Network in England. He is also a highly respected and sought after guest on radio stations around the world.

He is the author of 34 books, including recent releases, *The God of Intimacy and Action* (2007) and *Letters to a Young Evangelical* (2006). Other titles are *Speaking My Mind, Which Jesus, Everybody Wants to Change the World, Practical Ideas for Social Justice* (Co-authored by Gordon Aeschliman), *Adventures in Missing the Point* (Co-authored by Brian McLaren), *The Church Enslaved* (Co-authored by Michael Battle), *Let Me Tell You a Story: Life Lessons From Unexpected Places and Unlikely People* (W Publishing Group), *The Survival Guide for Christians on Campus* (Co-authored by William Willimon), *Revolutions and Renewal, Following Jesus Without Embarrassing God*, just to name a few.

Dr. Campolo is an ordained minister, has served American Baptist Churches in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and is presently an associate pastor of the Mount Carmel Baptist Church in West Philadelphia.

AWARDS

Outstanding Congregational Library

Faith Community Lutheran Church, Longmont, Colorado
Librarian - Lois Ward

This award is given to a church or synagogue library that has responded in creative and innovative ways to its mission of serving members of the congregation and/or the wider community. The library served by Lois Ward is described as having an “amazing” collection and becoming a “welcoming, state-of-the-art hub” of the church and the community. The library was expanded when a new sanctuary and educational facilities were constructed, allowing for growth in the collection. Volunteers work in all phases of the library’s operations, assisted by Concourse Book System software. The library provides resources for the congregation and the pastoral staff and recently promoted a reading program that contributed to a Katrina-flooded Lutheran Sunday school in New Orleans.

Pat Tabler Memorial Scholarship Award

Elaine Amromin
Temple Beth David Library, Temple City, California

This award recognizes a librarian who has shown initiative and creativity in starting a new or renewing an existing congregational library. Elaine Amromin, with her dedicated volunteers, overcame termites, flooding and leakage to turn what had become a “catch-all for unwanted, obsolete, and miscellaneous items” into a “viable, functioning library of 1,900 cataloged and shelved items,” all listed on the synagogue’s website. The library has become a resource center for teachers and students at the temple’s religious and Hebrew school. An active and contributing member of her CSLA chapter, Elaine is known as a creative and resourceful librarian, applying information available through CSLA to the “sacred” task of restoring her temple’s library.

Honorary Life Membership

Mrs. Vera G. Hunter, Washington, D. C.

After many years as librarian at Dunbar High School in Washington, Mrs. Hunter serves as librarian at Shiloh Baptist Church, in D. C. A past president of CSLA and a past president of the Congregational Library Association, she now serves as CSLA’s representative to the Library of Congress’s Center for the Book. Devoting much of her life to the promotion and support of congregational libraries, she helped start the first professional association for church and synagogue librarians, the Congregational Library Council, and later helped found CSLA at a national conference of the American Library Association in New York City. With her enthusiasm, stamina, and perseverance, along with professional degrees and many awards, she was overwhelmingly approved for an honorary life membership by the CSLA Board.

Rodda Young Adult Award, 2007

A Friend at Midnight, by Caroline B. Cooney

The Rodda Book Award, named for lifetime CSLA member, Dot Rodda, recognizes a book which exhibits excellence in writing which has contributed significantly to congregational libraries through promotion of spiritual growth. The award is given to books for adults, young adults, and children on a three-year-rotational basis. The award for 2006 was awarded for adult books published between January 2003 and December 2005.

In *A Friend At Midnight*, by Caroline B. Cooney, a teenage girl learns difficult lessons about forgiveness. Ms. Cooney, who makes her home in Westbrook, Connecticut, is the writer of numerous books for young adults, as a visit to her web site will show you. Second Runner-Up was *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak and Third Runner-Up was *The Door Within* by Wayne Thomas Batson.

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