



35 Years and Growing...

For the LORD gives wisdom, and from his mouth
come knowledge and understanding.
Proverbs 2:6 [NIV]



Church and Synagogue Library Association
Northeastern Ohio Chapter
1975 – 2010

35th Anniversary

1975 – 2010

The beginnings of the Northeastern Ohio Chapter were well stated in the chapter's tenth anniversary, 'A Decade of Dedication', booklet. The following from that booklet tells about our first ten years of history including several 25th anniversary updates.

A DECADE OF DEDICATION

1975 - 1985

The Northeastern Ohio Chapter grew out of the Annual Conference of the Church and Synagogue Library Association held at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio on June 9, 1975.

FOUNDING – HELEN OTT of Mansfield, Ohio was National Third Vice-President and Conference Chairman for the Oberlin meeting. She asked those from Ohio attending the conference to meet with her a few minutes before they left town. She wanted to know if there was interest in forming a chapter. The group, about fifteen or sixteen people, all from the northeastern part of the state, indicated their interest and a willingness to organize a chapter and to attend, if possible, a meeting she would call later in the summer to begin the procedures for forming a chapter.

In mid-summer Mrs. Ott sent out invitations and six people, MRS. W. R. CRESS, MARTHA DURBIN, AGNES HARNETT, THE REV. CLIFFORD HAWKINS, LINDA JANE KREIGER and MARGARET MITCHELL responded.

BOUNDARIES – With Mrs. Ott's assistance the group set about defining geographical boundaries; on the north, Lake Erie, on the east, the Ohio-Pennsylvania line, on the south U.S. Route 30 and on the west, State Route 61. This covered the northeastern portion of the state.

BY-LAWS, DUES – Other decisions involved drawing up the necessary by-laws, selecting people to serve as temporary officers, picking out a time and place to hold a meeting in the fall and setting up a program. The DUES were set at \$2.00 for Chapter membership and remain the same to the present time. *[2000 update – They have doubled since then.]*

FIRST MEETING – The Oak Hill United Presbyterian Church of Akron was willing to host the first meeting in their church. MRS. CAROL DENHAM, the Christian Education Director of the church, joined the organizing committee and was of great help in preparing the workshop. The program was organized along the lines of the annual conference of Church and Synagogue Library Association. This meant presenting several workshops of an hour's length about subjects of interest to librarians of churches and synagogues.

Flyers were designed, printed and mailed in a sort of hit-and-miss fashion to churches and synagogues selected from the membership lists of Inter-Church Councils of various cities and counties as well as any church or synagogue library which was known to the organizing committee. The CHURCH OF THE COVENANT, Cleveland, was good enough to mail the notices on their postal permit and to pay the necessary postage, thus providing a helping hand to a fledgling organization.

A scary time followed. Would anyone respond? Reservations were slow in coming. The committee began biting its collective fingernails, but by the cut-off date about 50 acceptances had been received. On the actual day of the workshop, Thursday, October 12, 1975, 87 people were registered. The workshop was so planned that the increased number could be accommodated, and fortunately, there was enough food for all.

In the business meeting by-laws were approved and the temporary officers were elected as the first officers of the Chapter. They were:

President – THE REV. CLIFFORD HAWKINS
1st Vice-Pres. & Pres. Elect – MIRIAM LEIKIND
2nd Vice-President – AGNES HARNETT
Secretary – MRS. W. R. CRESS
Treasurer – MARTHA DURBIN

THERE WERE 35 CHARTER MEMBERS OF OUR CHAPTER.

ANNUAL WORKSHOP – The second workshop saw 60 attending and the third fall meeting had only 55 but by the time of the fourth the number was beginning to grow. It took until the sixth workshop to reach 100 and since that time the attendance has stayed either constant or increased steadily. The need for the organization was shown by the increasing number who attended the annual workshops, the necessity to develop area meetings, and the requests for assistance from individual librarians.

WORKSHOP FORMAT – The programs for the annual workshop are developed by the officers of the chapter in cooperation with the library committee of the congregation hosting the meeting. Evaluation sheets from the previous year's meeting are studied in order to attempt to meet the needs of the church and synagogue librarians. Each group chooses a theme for its workshop, such as "From Bookworm to Butterfly", "Give a Hoot, Get Wise!", "Ideas Blossom with Books", "Vote for Books". The all-day workshop begins with a morning coffee hour as people gather. A general meeting follows. At one of the early workshops a program entitled "Books-in-Brief" was so popular that it has been included in all the workshops through 1984. Three topics, for instance, reference books, Jewish books, children's books, Biblical fiction, or other appropriate subjects are presented by several speakers doing brief reviews. Each speaker is limited to 20 minutes and can give only a quick review to three or four important books available in the designated subjects. Each year different topics are chosen to provide variety. *[2000 update – Ann Penman has presented Books in Brief since 1986.]*

Following the general meeting, a browsing period allows time for examination of the book displays and a series of seminars are programmed to complete the morning.

Sessions on other topics are scheduled for afternoon. It is suggested that each person choose those of interest to him or her. The sessions are arranged so that each person is able to attend two.

The seminar topics may include cataloging of book materials, principles of book selection, book selection in a particular field, i.e., children's books or reference books, methods of circulation, story telling, publicity for the library, book reviews, audio-visual materials, picture and clipping files, basic organization of a library, church or synagogue archives.

After lunch a short business meeting is held to carry on any business which needs the attention of the membership. The workshop day is concluded with a brief inspirational closing usually limited to fifteen to twenty minutes. This may be a short talk by one of the ministers or rabbis of the host congregation, a story told by an outstanding storyteller, a dramatic sketch by a congregational group, an outstanding audio-visual presentation or a delightful musical program – something to send people away happy and relaxed after a busy day.

AREA MEETINGS – As the chapter developed, it became evident that there was a need for more than one meeting a year because of the large geographic area of the chapter. It was proposed that smaller meetings in late winter or spring be developed in different areas of northeastern Ohio. In the Greater Cleveland area several meetings, usually an afternoon session, were held but they were poorly attended.

CHANGE IN ANNUAL MEETING DATE – In 1980 it was decided to move the annual workshop from fall to spring in order to have our year correspond with that of the national organization. This

left an interval of 18 months and we had a definite need to find a way to hold the interest of the members. Area meetings were developed to fill the gap.

CHAPTER AREAS – At present the chapter is divided into six areas: ASHLAND/MANSFIELD, EASTERN SHORE, GREATER AKRON, GREATER CLEVELAND, STARK COUNTY, and WARREN/YOUNGSTOWN.

An area meeting is usually 2 hours in length and it may be held in either the morning or afternoon. It is divided into two parts: the first hour is devoted to a program, for instance, standards for church and synagogue libraries, the presentation of a policy statement, the selection of religious books for children; the second hour is open for discussion of the program or any other topic which may be on the mind of a librarian. The attendance may vary from 5 to 25. These meetings are worthwhile because they keep up interest in the organization, allowing librarians to get acquainted with their neighbors and to exchange ideas.

IN RETROSPECT the chapter has been able to address many and varied library activities in the annual workshops and area meetings in ways helpful to librarians. These activities are the meat and potatoes of the organization. Each year has seen something which was outstanding and memorable.

In 1975 it was the excitement of seeing the chapter get off the ground and start running. The Temple in Cleveland provided an unusual setting for the second meeting in 1976 – its well developed library, its excellent classroom, Dr. Silver's study, the Sanctuary and the Museum.

The 1977 Mansfield workshop saw the book dealers bringing books to display and sell.

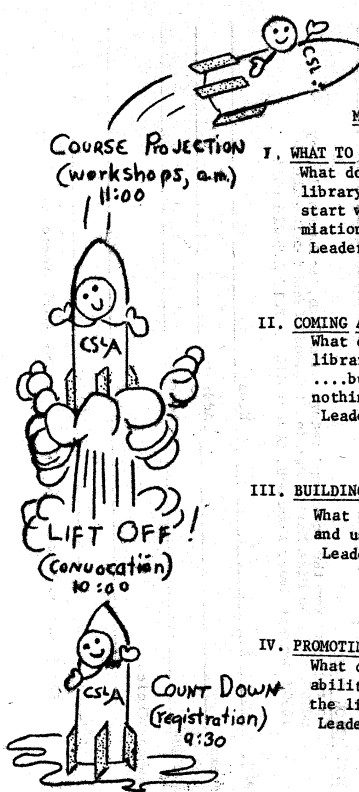
CHAPTER NEWSLETTER - The first NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTHEASTERN OHIO CHAPTER was published in the fall of 1978. It is now issued four times a year under the title of NORTHEASTERN OHIO NEWS [2000 update – Now NORTHEASTERN OHIO CHAPTER NEWS.]

The 1979 meeting was the first workshop where the popular program "Books-in-Brief" was presented. In Warren, the 1980 workshop attendance went over the 100 mark for the first time. We had the pleasure of hearing the outstanding story-teller, KATIE VON THAIR.

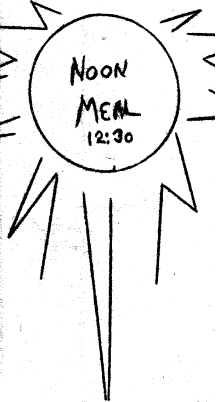
The area meetings were definitely established and growing during the period 1981 and 1982. 1983 was memorable for the presentation of the dramatic sketch based on "The Giving Tree" by Shel Silverstein, done by the youth of the Trinity United Church of Christ, Canton. Since 1984 was a national election year, "Vote for Books" was a most appropriate theme. The attendance at this meeting was the largest the chapter had ever experienced (129) – with the memberships received THE NORTHEASTERN OHIO CHAPTER became the LARGEST CHAPTER IN CSLA – 169 MEMBERS.

As the tenth year, 1985, begins, the chapter is looking forward to new heights to climb and memorable features to recall. The purpose of the CHURCH AND SYNAGOGUE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION as stated in the constitution reads: "THE PURPOSE OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL GUIDANCE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTAINANCE OF LIBRARY SERVICES IN CHURCHES AND SYNAGOGUES." This is ever the goal of the chapter and is present in the thoughts of those organizing workshops and area meetings for church and synagogue librarians.

...MARTHA DURBIN, Charter Member
Past President 1977 – 1978 – 1979
1st Vice-President – 1976
Treasurer – 1975



MORNING WORKSHOPS

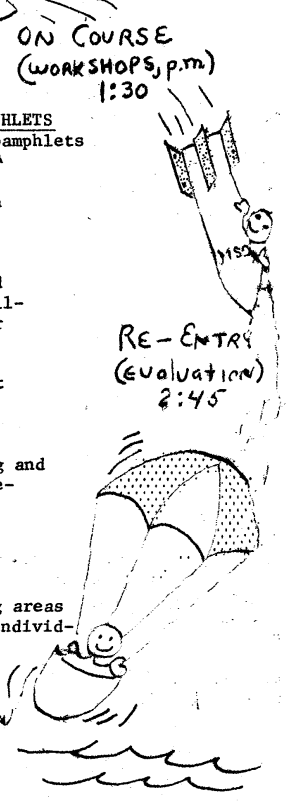


- I. WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU HAVE NOTHING
 What do you do about starting a library when you have nothing to start with except a lot of determination?
 Leader: Mrs. Linda Jane Kreider
 1st Congregational (UCC)
 Wellington, Ohio
- II. COMING ALIVE.
 What do you do when you have a library, some books, some space, ...but no one knows it and nothing is happening?
 Leader: Mrs. Marilyn Demeter
 Church of the Covenant (UP)
 Cleveland, Ohio
- III. BUILDING A CHILDREN'S BOOK COLLECTION
 What do you do to increase the number of and use of books for children?
 Leaders: Mrs. Grace Giles
 Mrs. Josephine Pleasance
 Lakewood Presbyterian Church
 Lakewood, Ohio
- IV. PROMOTING THE LIBRARY
 What do you do to improve the availability and to stimulate the use of the library by the congregation?
 Leader: Miss Miriam Leikind
 The Temple
 Cleveland, Ohio



AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS

- V. "TLC" FOR THOSE CLIPPINGS AND PAMPHLETS
 What do you do with clippings, pamphlets and pictures in the library?
 Leader: Mrs. Helen Ott
 1st Presbyterian Church
 Mansfield, Ohio
- VI. KEEPING UP TO DATE
 What do you do about sorting and evaluating gift books and cancelling materials that are no longer useful or are out of date?
 Leader: Miss Agnes H. Harnett
 Garfield-Trinity Baptist
 Cleveland, Ohio
- VII. HANDLING NON-PRINT MATERIALS
 What do you do about cataloguing and processing films, filmstrips, recordings and tape cassettes?
 Leader: Mrs. Claudia Hannaford
 Episcopal Diocese
 Erie, Penna.
- VIII. CONSULTANTSin the following areas will be available to talk with individuals about specific problems
 -Cataloguing
 -Selection Policy
 -Physical Arrangements (equip/supplies)
 -Organization and Staffing



Following is a copy of the second annual workshop flyer with the information for the day's activities. A copy of this flyer is included in CSLA Guide No. 3, "Workshop Planning" by Ruth S. Smith copyright 1979.

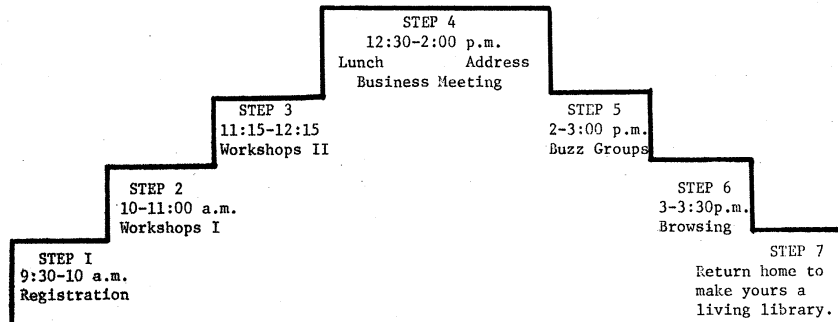
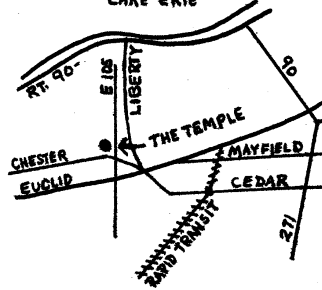
CHURCH AND SYNAGOGUE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
NORTHEAST OHIO CHAPTER

SECOND ANNUAL WORKSHOP
AT
THE TEMPLE
University Circle and Silver Park
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Monday, September 20, 1976

LAKE ERIE

9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



WORKSHOP SESSIONS

Choose One Workshop for Each Period

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| <p>10:00 - 11:00 a.m.</p> <p>1 <u>STEPS INTO THE PAST</u>
An Archive in Your Library
collecting and preserving
historical items.</p> <p>2 <u>STEPS INTO COMMUNITY</u>
Tapping public, school and
special library resources.</p> <p>3 <u>STEPPING WITH OTHERS</u>
Fostering Inter-Faith Understanding
and Cooperation Through Libraries</p> <p>4 <u>STEPS INTO BOOKS</u>
Book Selection and Purchase
What to Buy and Where?</p> <p>5 <u>STEPS INTO MEDIA</u>
Handling all types of non-print
media.</p> | <p>11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.</p> <p>6 <u>STEPS INTO KNOW-HOW</u>
Processing Print Materials
from start to finish.</p> <p>7 <u>STEPS TOGETHER</u>
Librarians work together with
staff, teachers and organizations
within the congregation.</p> <p>8 <u>STEPS WITH CHILDREN</u>
Books and Media for Children</p> <p>9 <u>STEPS IN REVIEW</u>
Writing Book Notes and
Reviewing Books</p> <p>10 <u>STEPS INTO THE LIBRARY</u>
Improving the Physical Environment
of the Library Room.</p> |
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Past copies of the chapter's newsletter change from the current happenings to a historical paper trail. The August, 1990, NORTHEAST OHIO NEWS reports the following resolution.

RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, Fifteen years ago fifteen or sixteen church and synagogue librarians in northeastern Ohio gathered together to petition the Church and Synagogue Library Association for a chapter charter; and
- WHEREAS, On June 17, 1975 the CSLA Executive Board voted to grant a charter to the Northeastern Ohio Chapter of the Church and Synagogue Library Association; and
- WHEREAS, Under its dedicated leadership the Northeastern Ohio Chapter continues to grow and flourish, still maintaining the outstanding title of the largest of CSLA's chapters; and
- WHEREAS, Not only has it fulfilled its purpose in the six areas within its geographical boundaries but it has provided leadership at the national level and assistance in the formation of the Central Ohio Chapter; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That CSLA at this 23rd Annual Conference of the Association extends its heartiest congratulations and deepest thanks to the Northeastern Ohio Chapter on the occasion of its Fifteenth Anniversary.

Signed at the College of Notre Dame in Baltimore,
Maryland on June 30, 1990 at the 23rd Annual
Conference of the Church and Synagogue Library
Association

Lin Wright, President

Maryann J. Dotts, Chapters Coordinator

As the chapter has aged and grown we have been honored and recognized. Each of us needs to honor and recognize our library through advertising. Here is one of many excellent articles from our chapter newsletter about advertising.

'IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE'

The codfish lays 10,000 eggs
The homely hen lays one.
The codfish never cackles
To tell what she has done.
And so we scorn the codfish,
While the humble hen we prize,
Which only goes to show you
That it pays to advertise.
--Author not known

Libraries need to advertise too! Promotion of the library is an ongoing activity for you and your Library staff. You need to advertise to overcome a poor location. You need to advertise to get new books into circulation. You need to advertise to make everyone in the congregation aware of the excellent resource they have.

We would like to hear from you about bulletin boards, reading lists, library outreach to groups within and without the congregation, and reading clubs. The Editor's address is on the last page.

Since this was published the editor has changed, but the editor's address is still located on the last page (and as the return address). The editor is always open to your input for articles on all aspects of Congregational Libraries.

CHARTER MEMBERS

Shirley Berndsen * #	Cleveland
Lelia Bolds	Lakewood
Maryalice Brown	Hubbard
Mrs. W. R. Cress	Mansfield
Marilyn Demeter * #	Cleveland Heights
Carolyn Doelling	Akron
Martha Durbin	Lakewood
Donna Fry *	Canton
Grace Giles	Cleveland
Agnes Harnett	Middleburg Heights
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Ruth Havel	Parma Heights
Clifford Hawkins	Cleveland Heights
Alberta Hawse	Doylestown
Erma Hines	Collins
Jean Hoffman	Mansfield
Suzy Horton	Bay Village
Joellyn Leget	Medina
Miriam Leikind	Cleveland Heights
Evelyn R. Ling *	Akron
Helen Manau	Cleveland
Jill Marquette	Stow
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Elsbeth Pennington	Lakewood
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Margaret Taylor	Warren
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Vi Zimmerman	Lakewood

2000 CSLA Member *
2010 CSLA Member #

One of the Chapter's Charter Members, Marilyn Demeter, shared these memories in 2000 for the 25th anniversary booklet:

"In looking back at the beginnings of the Northeastern Ohio Chapter of CSLA, I am struck by the vision and "big thinking" that took place with the initial leadership. The boundaries of our chapter were set to encompass a very large geographic area. The first chapter function was an all day workshop with substantive multiple morning and afternoon seminars and a luncheon. Our first president, the Rev. Clifford Hawkins, set up organizational procedures that still serve us well today, such as, the holding of regular board meetings of officers and committee chairs, the moving of the annual all day Workshop around to different geographic areas of our chapter, and the including of professional and non-professional congregational librarians in all aspects of the Chapter leadership and programming. Our chapter has subsequently hosted two national conferences, we have provided leadership to the national organization, and we have had members receive CSLA national awards. We have consistently been the largest or one of the largest chapters in CSLA. Our leadership has been generous in helping start other CSLA chapters in Ohio as well as personally helping local librarians with their congregation's libraries. We have been blessed with outstanding and dedicated leadership throughout our 25 years. For me, it has been a special pleasure and a joy to have been a part of this chapter since it's founding in 1975."

Vision and big thinking is still taking place, just visit CSLA's web site: cslainfo.org

Another Charter Member and Chairman for the 1988 CSLA Annual Conference, Shirley Berndsen, had this to share in 2000 for the 25th anniversary booklet:

"The first introduction to CSLA for many people in northeast Ohio was a National Conference in 1975 at Oberlin College. Helen Ott chaired that Conference. She was a National Vice President of CSLA.

It seemed only natural to return to Oberlin June 19-21, 1988, for the 21st National Conference, with the theme, "Congregational Libraries: the Heart of It All!" We borrowed that from the state slogan at the time: "Ohio: the Heart of It All!" Heart pencils and heart-shaped candies were just two of the favors to carry out the theme. Pages in the program books were headed by a Bible quotation that included the word heart. Psalms 16:8, 9, Psalms 19:14 and Proverbs 10:8 are examples. At various Area Meetings, members worked on projects related to the theme. The most troublesome was the Danish Woven Hearts which our fingers had difficulty manipulating. But librarians overcome!

Many of the individual workshops focused on subjects of CSLA "Guides". There were autographing sessions for the "Guide" writers as well as for other book authors. Shirley Berndsen was general Chair. Russell Newburn was NEO Chapter president. Others on the committee were Janet Kensicki, Ann Penman, Sally Crowley, Louise Neubert, Evelyn Ling, Kaethe Karabinus, Marilyn Demeter, and Mary Lou Henneman."

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This 'Thank You' article is from the July 1988 issue of NORTHEAST OHIO NEWS.

"Thank you" seems so inadequate an expression of my gratitude to the members and officers of the Northeastern Ohio Chapter and to the marvelous Planning Committee. All of you are to be commended for your work in helping make this a successful Conference – a Conference which informed and inspired almost 300 congregational librarians from all over the U.S. and Canada.

I can only echo Russell with thanks to those who worked at Area Meetings to do all manner of tasks which are necessary for a smooth running Conference, to those who met planes at Hopkins Airport, to those who helped in the exhibit area, with registration and answered questions. Those who helped carry cookies to the coffee hour at King, those who helped with last-minute set up – whatever you did for the Conference, please know that Sally Crowley, Ann Penman, Kaethe Karabinus, Evelyn Ling, Janet Kensicki, Russell Newburn, Mary Lou Henneman, Louise Neubert, Marilyn Demeter and I are very appreciative of your help.

The Conference was well received by the National Officers and by the attendees. We had a fine group of Workshop leaders. The chief complaint was that people could not get to all the meetings they wished to attend.

The Conference staff at Oberlin was very cooperative and courteous. It was a pleasure to work with Greg Timberlake and Nate Ross.

We can probably all relax for another 13 years before it will be Northeast Ohio's turn again for a National Conference.

In the meantime, go back to your own libraries brimming over with ideas and enthusiasm. But don't forget what Rabbi Michael Oppenheimer said in the Keynote Address:

I suggest, therefore, that your task, after you deal with the mechanics, the details of creating an ongoing congregational library and media center; your task is first to recognize that the domain of your media is so very important to the substance and survival of our society. Knowing it yourself is the first step in the process of conveying excitement to others for and through your library.

A most sincere "thank you" to all of you in Northeast Ohio.

Shirley Berndsen

General Chair, 1988 National Conference

Barbara Messner shared these memories from the 1998 CSLA Annual Conference in 2000 for the 25th anniversary booklet:

"Our chapter was asked to organize the 1998 National Conference and NEO Chapter President, Anne W. Dennis, was enthusiastic and confident that we could do it!

The 1998 National Conference – CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES: BRIDGES TO MINISTRY – was attended by almost 200 people on July 26-28 at the Cleveland Airport Marriott Hotel. Attendees came from 25 States, the District of Columbia and Ontario, Canada. It was observed that hard hats were indeed in order as the hotel was undergoing major renovations.

More than 30 workshops were offered such as: TOOLS OF THE TRADE (Religious Reference Materials); ROAD MAPS (CSLA guides); WORK CREW (Media Preparation & Repair); CIVIL ENGINEERING (Leadership Skills); and BLUEPRINT FOR ORGANIZATION (Beginning Cataloging). Bridges of tolerance and understanding were built in sessions on Holocaust literature, Jewish books to promote interfaith understanding, and Collection Development in an African-American library. About half of the workshop leaders were CSLA members.

Pre-conference activities included a daylong class for beginning librarians conducted by the National Continuing Education Committee at a nearby church; a synagogue service; tours of the city sights; and the traditional congregational libraries tour. Post-conference events offered a tour of a mosque and a synagogue library, plus a sightseeing boat trip on Lake Erie.

Special programming included a dramatized "visit with one of the first settlers of Cleveland", a storigami storyteller (paper-folding and stories), lunch with an inspirational author, a breakfast treat of books in brief (capsule reviews), and entertainment by a drama and musical ministry team. A member of the clergy led the Sunday Worship Service; another member of the

clergy gave the closing luncheon message highlighting “book angels” – books that have made a lasting spiritual impact. Several authors were on hand to autograph their books.

Nineteen vendors representing publishers, bookstores and computer software companies brought helpful information to the Conference. A silent auction of gift books from these vendors was very profitable with the proceeds benefiting the CSLA Publications. We were treated to relaxing massages by students from a local school of massotherapy and the donations benefited the Pat Tabler Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Special inspiration for the Conference was provided by replicas of bridges found in Northeast Ohio, handcrafted by Kenneth Kight, assisted by Chris Berger, which were the table centerpieces and the subject of much complimentary conversation. Door prizes at most of the meal functions added to the fun.

The breakdown of the Hotel Reservations 800 phone number was disconcerting and working with three successive Banquet & Events Managers added an interesting dimension to the planning. And how could we ever forget the 10 p.m. planning committee meetings during Conference, complete with a kazoo rendering of “Amazing Grace” by a weary, but forever-bonded (in friendship and service) group of CSLA members.”

Conference Chair	Barbara Messner
Co-Chair and Program Chair	Katherine Fuller
Program	Lucille Crawford, Renee Boykin, Carol Sollie
Exhibits	Mary Lou Henneman, Ann Penman, Pat Soller
Hospitality	Shirley Berndsen, Thelma Hill
Local Arrangements	Joyce Kight, Kimberly Berger, Kenneth Kight
Publicity	Kaethe Karabinus, Lois Wallin
Registration	Beth N. French
Finance	Marilyn Demeter
Conference Committee Secretary	Louise Neubert
Beginning Librarians Class Local Facilitator	Shirley Berndsen
Beginning Librarians Class Host	Edith Wilson, Rocky River United Methodist Church
Congregational Libraries Tour	Ruth Spindler, Divinity Lutheran Church Alice Mecredy, Lakewood Presbyterian Church Edith Wilson, Rocky River United Methodist Church
Photographer	Ray Karabinus

Northeast Ohio Chapter hosted another CSLA Annual Conference in July 2009, “Historical Paths to the Future”. This thank you article is from the September 2009 NORTHEASTERN OHIO CHAPTER NEWS:

The 2009 CSLA Annual Conference committee thanks all those who participated in making the conference truly a “Historical Path to the Future”. The contributions, large and small, of so many who made the conference so successful are greatly appreciated.

One of the historical paths was having one of the bridges built by Kenneth Kight at the time of the 1988 CSLA Annual Conference on display to represent the connection from that conference to this one and the pathways bridging the future of our congregational library ministry.

The wonderful carnation centerpieces made by Kathleen Szabo were on the tables during each meal.

Congratulations to all the CSLA Award winners, especially Mary Brown Baker [serving] at the Suffield United Church of Christ. Mrs. Baker was the winner of the CSLA Outstanding Congregational Librarian award and was at the conference to receive the award.

Thank you, everyone!

The 2009 CSLA Annual Conference committee:

Beth French	Ray Roberts	Celeste Martin
Susan Snyder	Katherine Fuller	Florence Nickel
Janet Howard	Diane Busch	Mary Lou Henneman
Janice Flaws		

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Program Chair.	Elizabeth Ricketts

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1979 – 1980

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Program Chair.	Elizabeth Ricketts

1980 – 1981

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Treasurer	Evelyn R. Ling

1981 – 1982

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Vice-president	Lois Bower
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Treasurer	Evelyn R. Ling
Bulletin	Martha Durbin/Shirley Berndsen

1982 – 1983

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1983 – 1984

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Treasurer	Sally Crowley

1984 – 1985

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Stark County	Mary Maude Beuter
Warren/Youngstown	Mary Lou Henneman

1986 – 1987

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Historian	Kaethe Karabinus
News. Editor	Shirley Berndsen

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Stark County	Russell Newburn
Warren/Youngstown	Mary Lou Henneman

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AWARDS FROM CHURCH & SYNAGOGUE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

OUTSTANDING CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIAN

1976 – Martha Durbin
1977 – Helen Ott
1981 – Margaret Taylor
1997 – Kaethe Karabinus
2009 – Mary E. Baker

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO CHURCH OR SYNAGOGUE LIBRARIES

1980 – Evelyn R. Ling
2000 – Shirley Berndsen
2004 – Joyce Kight

PAT TABLOR AWARD

1999 – Shirley McCartney

CHURCH AND SYNAGOGUE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION PUBLICATIONS

ARCHIVES IN THE CHURCH OR SYNAGOGUE LIBRARY by Evelyn R. Ling, the librarian of High Street Christian Church, Akron, was published by CSLA in 1981. In 1996 a revised edition was published. In 1982 the library of High Street Christian Church, Akron, Evelyn R. Ling, Librarian, received the JOHN COTTON DANA AWARD from the American Library Association. This award is given for outstanding public relations in the category of special libraries.

BOOKS FOR TEENS: STRESSING THE HIGHER VALUES by Edith S. Tyson, the librarian of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Warren, was published by CSLA in 1993. In 1996 a supplementary update was added.

CATALOGING AND CLASSIFICATION by Susan E. Snyder, the librarian at Brecksville United Church of Christ, Brecksville, was published by CSLA in 2004.

Prayer used by Louise Neubert in the opening devotion at the 2005 Annual Meeting and Library Workshop:

“Lord, grant me the serenity to accept that the book is lost forever;
the courage to refuse a loan when there’s an overdue book,
and the wisdom to know when it’s time to take a break.”

A. B. Credaro, 2001

CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING AND LIBRARY WORKSHOP

- 1975 Thursday, October 23 – 1st Annual Workshop
LIFT OFF WITH BOOKS
Oak Hill United Presbyterian Church, Akron
Chairperson: Carol Denham
- 1976 Monday, September 20
STEPS IN THE LIBRARY
The Temple, Cleveland
Chairperson: Miriam Leikind
- 1977 Thursday, October 20
BOOK SELECTION, ONE OF OUR GREATEST PROBLEMS
First United Presbyterian Church, Mansfield
Chairperson: Helen Ott
- 1978 Thursday, October 12
MAKING YOUR LIBRARY WORK
Westminster Presbyterian Church, Akron
Chairperson: Carolyn Doelling
- 1979 Thursday, October 11
FROM BOOK WORM TO BUTTERFLY – TAKE WING
High Street Christian Church, Akron
Chairperson: Evelyn R. Ling
- 1980 Thursday, October 23
GIVE A HOOT, GET WISE!
First United Methodist Church, Warren
Chairperson: Mary Beth McFarland/Pat Henry
- 1981 Sunday, October 18 – Mini Meeting
AN AFTERNOON OF “BOOKS IN BRIEF”
United Presbyterian Church of Cuyahoga Falls, Cuyahoga Falls
Chairperson: Marge Frederick
- 1982 Tuesday, April 27
IDEAS BLOSSOM WITH BOOKS
Lakewood Congregational Church, Lakewood
Chairperson: Peggy Wardin
- 1983 Tuesday, April 19
THE SKY’S THE LIMIT – THRU BOOKS
Trinity United Church of Christ, Canton
Chairperson: Mary Maude Bueter
- 1984 Wednesday, May 16
VOTE FOR BOOKS
United Presbyterian Church of Cuyahoga Falls, Cuyahoga Falls
Chairperson: Marge Frederick
- 1985 Wednesday, April 24
A DECADE OF DEDICATION
Parma-South Presbyterian Church, Parma Heights
Chairperson: Marti Diedrich

- 1986 Wednesday, April 16
CELEBRATE LIBERTY – READ
First Baptist Church, Akron
- 1987 Wednesday, April 29
IDEAS BY THE DOZEN
First Presbyterian Church, Warren
- 1988 No Annual Workshop
(Hosted CSLA Annual Conference, Oberlin College)
- 1989 Tuesday, April 11
CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY IN MINISTRY
Cornerstone Free Methodist Church, Akron
- 1990 Wednesday, April 25
THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF LITERACY
First Baptist Church, Akron
- 1991 Tuesday, April 16
GIVE YOUR LIBRARY A SPRING TUNEUP
United Methodist Church of Berea
- 1992 Thursday, April 23
DISCOVER NEW VALUE IN YOUR CHURCH/SYNAGOGUE LIBRARY
Christ United Methodist Church, Akron
- 1993 Thursday, April 22
A BRANCH SHALL GROW
Poland Presbyterian Church, Poland
Hostess and Librarian: Molly Halter
- 1994 Thursday, April 21
LIFELINE FOR THE FAMILY – YOUR CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY
The Bath Church – United Church of Christ, Bath
Hostess and Librarian: Connie Claes
- 1995 Tuesday, April 25
20/20 VISION FOR CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES – LOOKING BACKWARD,
LOOKING FORWARD
Lakewood Presbyterian Church, Lakewood
Hostess and Librarian: Evelyn Hutton
- 1996 Tuesday, April 23
MAKE YOUR LIBRARY A WINNER IN '96 – GO FOR THE GOLD!!
Lowell United Church of Christ, Canton
Chairperson: Carol Sollie
- 1997 Friday, April 11
BRANCHING OUT IN CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES
Brecksville United Church of Christ, Brecksville
Chairperson: Anne W. Dennis
- 1998 Tuesday, April 21
NEO SPRING LUNCHEON AND MEETING

First Baptist Church of Greater Cleveland, Cleveland
Chairperson: Nancy Schuemann
(Hosted CSLA Annual Conference, Airport Marriott, Cleveland)

- 1999 Tuesday, April 13
BUILDING BRIDGES
Trinity United Church of Christ, Canton
Chairperson: Mary Maude Beuter

- 2000 Tuesday, April 4
25 YEARS & GROWING
Christ United Methodist Church, Akron
Chairperson: Lee Griffiths

- 2001 Friday, April 27
GROWING IN KNOWLEDGE
Mentor United Methodist Church, Mentor
Hostess and Librarian: Linda Setzer

- 2002 Friday, April 19
SOARING TO NEW HEIGHTS
Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Canton
Hostess and Librarian: Shirley McCartney

- 2003 Friday, April 4
CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES: BRIDGES TO MINISTRY
Church of the Saviour United Methodist Church, Cleveland Heights
Hostess and Librarian: Barbara Messner

- 2004 Saturday, April 24
KEYS TO A VITAL CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY
First Presbyterian Church of Warren, Warren
Hostess and Librarian: Sally Thomas

- 2005 Saturday, April 16
PEARLS OF WISDOM: CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES
Mayfield Church, United Methodist, Chesterland
Hostess and Librarian: Nancy Dickerson

- 2006 Friday, April 28
UP ... UP ... UP ... AND UP
The Trinity United Church of Christ, Canton
Co-Hostesses and Librarians: Mary Maude Beuter and Martha Mani

- 2007 Friday, April 27
SHINE A BEACON ON YOUR LIBRARY
The Willoughby United Methodist Church, Willoughby
Hostess and Librarian: Katherine Fuller

- 2008 Friday, April 4
PLUG IN TO CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES
First Congregational Church of Hudson, United Church of Christ, Hudson
Hostess and Librarian: Monica Knooihuizen

- 2009 Friday, May 8
CHOOSING FOR CHILDREN

Church of the Savior United Methodist Church, Canton
Hostess and Librarian: Sue March
(Hosted CSLA Annual Conference, McKinley Grand Hotel, Canton)

2010 Tuesday, May 18
BRIDGES TO INFORMATION AND UNDERSTANDING
Stow Presbyterian Church, Stow
Hostess and Librarian: Joyce Kight

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SEMINARS AND LEADERS

(* denotes address to entire attendance)

- 1976 STEPS INTO THE PAST – an archive in your library
STEPS INTO COMMUNITY – tapping public resources
STEPPING WITH OTHERS – inter-faith relations through libraries
STEPS INTO BOOKS – book selection
STEPS INTO MEDIA – non-print materials
STEPS INTO KNOW-HOW – processing print materials
STEPS TOGETHER – work within the congregation
STEPS WITH CHILDREN – materials for children
STEPS IN REVIEW – writing book reviews
STEPS INTO THE LIBRARY – physical environment of library room
- 1977 BOOK SELECTION – principles for books for adults
DISCUSSION – “Bring your problems”
BOOK SELECTION – principles for books for juveniles
MOVIE “GENESIS” – first is a series
- 1979 CHILDREN’S BOOKS – Margaret Pollock (First Congregational Church, Akron)
BIOGRAPHY – Rosemarie Foord (Akron/Summit County Public Library)
CURRENT ISSUES – Elizabeth Ricketts (Hudson Drive United Presbyterian Church,
Cuyahoga Falls)
BOOKS ON JUDIASM – Rick Rubin (Akron/Summit County Public Library)
CATALOGING FOR BEGINNING LIBRARIANS – Martha Durbin (Lakewood Presbyterian
Church, Lakewood)
AUDIO-VISUAL RESOURCES – Rebecca Wolfe (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
*LIBRARY PROMOTION – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
READING CLUBS AND STORY HOURS – Fran Winslow (Cuyahoga County Library
System)
BULLETIN BOARDS & TABLE DISPLAYS – Ruth Rogers (High Street Christian Church,
Akron)
NEWSLETTER PUBLICITY, BOOK LISTS, WRITING BOOK REVIEWS – Shirley
Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland)
- 1980 ART AND MUSIC – Rabbi Michael N. Stevens (Beth Israel Temple, Warren)
BIOGRAPHY – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
CHILDREN’S BOOKS – Elaine Rinda (Teacher, Emerson Elementary School, Warren)
PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION – The Rev. Dr. Walter P. Carvin (First Baptist Church
and Faculty, Youngstown State University)
CATALOGING FOR BEGINNING LIBRARIANS – Martha Durbin (Lakewood Presbyterian
Church, Lakewood)
CHURCH ARCHIVES – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
RESOURCES FOR BOOK SELECTION – Claudia Hannaford (St. Michael’s in the Hills)

- Episcopal Church, Toledo)
SELECTION AND PROMOTION OF CHILDREN'S LITERATURE – Jane Cribbs (Library Media Specialist, Lordstown Elementary and Middle Schools, Lordstown)
- 1981 CHILDREN'S LITERATURE – Jean Thomas (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION – Betty Baird (Akron/Summit County Public Library)
BIOGRAPHIES – Dianne Winner (Librarian, Riedinger Middle School, Akron Public School System)
BOOKS FOR TEEN-AGERS – Patricia Lowry (Akron/Summit County Public Library)
- 1982 HOLOCAUST LITERATURE – Miriam Leikind (Librarian, The Temple, Cleveland)
RELIGIOUS REFERENCE BOOKS – Beth N. French (Maple Heights Regional Library)
CURRENT ISSUES – Thelma Morris (Cleveland Public Library)
PROMOTION (GENERAL AIDS) and (DISPLAYS) – Ruth Rogers (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
CATALOGING (CLASSIFICATION) and (SUBJECT HEADINGS) – Martha Durbin (Lakewood Presbyterian Church, Lakewood)
SELECTION OF CHILDREN'S BOOKS – Richard Joslin (Lakewood Public Library)
CHURCH AND SYNAGOGUE ARCHIVES – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
- 1983 CHILDREN'S BOOKS – Sara Donze (Stark County District Library/Walsh College)
RELIGIOUS FICTION – Mary Louise Lowe (Louisville Public Library)
CRAFTS, HOLIDAYS AND GAMES – Vicky Faqua (Christian Education Consultant, Cuyahoga Falls)
BASIC BOOK REPAIR – Cathy Sabo (Lowell United Church of Christ, Canton)
SELECTION OF CHILDREN'S LITERATURE – Sara Donze (Stark County District Library/Walsh College)
TAKING THE LIBRARY OUTSIDE ITS FOUR WALLS (PROMOTION) – Kaethe Karabinus (Ascension Lutheran Church, North Olmsted)
SELECTION AND ORGANIZATION OF AUDIO/VISUAL MATERIALS – Ellen Hendrix (United Methodist Church, North Canton)
TEEN-AGE BOOKS: SELECTION – Dr. Christine Skelton (Eastern Ohio Association, United Church of Christ)
CATALOGING I – Betsy Ketchum (Trintiy United Church of Christ, Canton)
- 1984 CATALOGING I and II– Anne W. Dennis (Brecksville United Church of Christ, Brecksville)
CHOICE BOOKS – Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian, Cleveland Heights)
MEET THE AUTHOR – Lillian Cantleberry, 'Sarah's Story'
PROMOTION – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
BOOK REPAIR I and II– Herb Cooper (BroDart Company)
CATALOGING NON-BOOK MATERIALS – Martha Durbin (Lakewood Presbyterian Church, Lakewood)
HOW TO TELL A STORY – Rebecca Wolfe (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
- 1985 BEGINNING CATALOGING and CATALOGING QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS – Anne W. Dennis (Brecksville United Church of Christ, Brecksville)
CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS BOOKS – Martha Durbin and Grace Giles (Lakewood Presbyterian Church, Lakewood)
RELATING TO THE NEEDS OF THE MINISTERIAL STAFF – Diana Bell (Rocky River United Presbyterian Church, Rocky River)
FURNISHING YOUR LIBRARY – Katherine Fuller (Willoughby United Methodist Church, Willoughby)

- VOLUNTEERS IN THE LIBRARY – Helen Stahler (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
- *TENTH ANNIVERSARY HISTORY HIGHLIGHTS
- TEEN-AGE (YOUNG ADULT) BOOKS – Andrey Eaglen (Cuyahoga County Public Library)
- HAVE A PROBLEM? SEEK A SOLUTION – Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian, Cleveland Heights)
- STORY HOUR IN YOUR LIBRARY – Rev. Rebecca Wolfe (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
- STARTING A LIBRARY – Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland) and Elizabeth Ricketts
- 1986 *BOOKS-IN-BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
- BEGINNING CATALOGING – Martha Durbin (Lakewood Presbyterian Church, Lakewood)
- BOOK REPAIR, PART I and II – Paul Crowley (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
- STANDARDS FOR CHURCH AND SYNAGOGUE LIBRARIES – Dorothy Rodda (CSLA National Executive Secretary)
- AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIALS – Ellen Hendrix (Cokesbury Bookstore, North Canton)
- PROMOTION HELPS AND IDEAS – Kaethe Karabinus (Ascension Lutheran Church, North Olmsted) and Rev. Rebecca Wolfe (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
- *CHURCH AND SYNAGOGUE HIGHLIGHTS – Dorothy Rodda, (CSLA National Executive Secretary)
- CHILDREN'S BOOKS – Kay Averette (Akron/Summit County Public Library)
- NON-BOOK CATALOGING – Anne W. Dennis (Brecksville United Church of Christ, Brecksville)
- HAVE A PROBLEM? SEEK A SOLUTION – Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian, Cleveland Heights)
- INVENTORY AND WEEDING – Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland)
- RELIGIOUS REFERENCE BOOKS – Betty Baird (Akron/Summit County Public Library)
- 1987 *BOOKS-IN-BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
- BEGINNING CATALOGING – Kay Brown (Howland Community Church) and Janet Daugherty (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
- AUDIO-VISUALS FOR YOUR LIBRARY – Lisa Germaine (Canfield United Methodist Church, Canfield)
- TEENAGE READING – STRESSING THE MOST IMPORTANT VALUES – Edith Tyson (Warren-Trumbull County Public Library; Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Warren)
- BOOK REPAIR: PART I and II – Paul Crowley (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
- BIBLE AND COMMENTARIES FOR YOUR LIBRARY – Joy Elder (Jewish Community Center, Youngstown) and Rev. Neal McBride Kelly (Boardman United Methodist Church, Boardman)
- *NATIONAL CONFERENCE, 1988, OBERLIN – Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland)
- *LITERACY PROGRAM IN NORTHEASTERN OHIO – Helen Stahler (Chairperson, Summit County; Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
- LIBRARY PROMOTION THROUGH THE YEAR – Ruth Ward (First Church of God, Newton Falls) and Janet Kensicki (Redeemer Lutheran Church, Austintown)
- VOLUNTEERS IN THE LIBRARY – Elizabeth Ricketts (First Baptist Church, Akron)
- HAVE A PROBLEM? SEEK A SOLUTION – Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian, Cleveland Heights)
- INVENTORY AND WEEDING – Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland)
- POLICY STATEMENT FOR YOUR LIBRARY – Anne W. Dennis (Brecksville United Church of Christ, Brecksville)

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- 1989 *BOOKS-IN-BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
TEEN BOOKS FOR YOUR LIBRARY – Eve Wagner (Akron/Summit County Public Library)
WRITING A PROCEDURES MANUAL FOR YOUR LIBRARY – Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland)
THE HISTORY OF THE BIBLE – Rev. Forrest Nees (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
RESOURCES FOR LIBRARY OUTREACH MINISTRIES – Rev. Karen Stunkel (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
HAVE A PROBLEM? SEEK A SOLUTON - Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian, Cleveland Heights)
HOW TO DO BOOK REVIEWS – Joyce McKnight and Betty Baird (Akron/Summit County Public Library)
PROMOTION HELPS AND IDEAS – Kaethe Karabinus (Ascension Lutheran Church, North Olmsted)
HOW TO START OR RE-START A CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY – Elizabeth Ricketts (First Baptist Church, Akron) and Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland)
ARCHIVES IN YOUR CONGREGATION – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
BEGINNING CATALOGING – Helen Stahler (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)

- 1990 *BOOKS-IN-BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
CATALOGING – Helen Stahler (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
PROMOTION AND PUBLICITY – Kaethe Karabinus (Ascension Lutheran Church, North Olmsted)
COMPUTER, THE LIBRARIAN'S FRIEND AND HELPER – Cindy Hoove, Cathy Sabo, and Carol Sollie (Lowell United Church of Christ, Canton)
RELIGIOUS REFERENCE MATERIAL – Betty Baird (Akron/Summit County Public Library)
VIDEOS AND THE CHURCH OR SYNAGOGUE LIBRARY – Ray Roberts (Media Specialist, East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church Media Center, North Canton)
CHILDREN'S BOOKS – Katherine Fuller (Willoughby United Methodist Church, Willoughby)
*ADULT LITERACY COUNCIL PROJECT L.E.A.R.N. – Barbara Norton (County Adult Literacy Council)
*HAVE A PROBLEM? SEEK A SOLUTION – Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian, Cleveland Heights)

- 1991 *BOOKS-IN-BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
VIDEOS ARE A PART OF CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES – Laoma Drushal (Cornerstone Free Methodist Church, Akron)
COMPUTERS; HOW THEY CAN HELP YOU – Carol Sollie and Cathy Sabo (Lowell United Church of Christ, Canton)
COPYRIGHT LAWS – Dr. Ruth Schneider (Bowling Green State University)
CHILDREN'S BOOKS WITH GOOD MORAL VALUES – Judy Riggle (Avon Lake Public Library)
HANDS ON PROMOTION – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
BEGINNING CATALOGING – Helen Stahler (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
ACTIVITY KITS AS PART OF YOUR LIBRARY – Janice Smuda (Cuyahoga County Public Library)
BOOK PURCHASING GUIDELINES: HOW TO GET THE MOST FOR YOUR MONEY –

Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant, Cleveland Heights)

- 1992 *BOOKS-IN-BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
FILING RULES: IN AND OUT OF CARD CATALOGUES WEEDING – Barbara Clark
(Oak Hill Presbyterian Church, Akron)
ARCHIVES – John Miller
HOW TO MARKET (PROMOTE) YOUR LIBRARY – Laoma Drushal (Cornerstone
Free Methodist Church, Akron)
COPYRIGHT LAWS – Dr. Ruth Schneider (Bowling Green State University)
MEDIA FOR CHILDREN – Lynn Vanca and Rose Farnsworth
FINANCING YOUR LIBRARY – Russell Newburn (Science Hill United Church of Christ,
Alliance)
BOOK REPAIR – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron) and Nancy Perts
(Mentor United Methodist Church, Mentor)
GUIDELINES IN BOOK PURCHASING: HOW TO GET THE MOST FOR YOUR MONEY
– Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian, Cleveland)
BEGINNING CATALOGING – Helen Stahler (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
- 1993 *BOOKS-IN-BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
JEWISH-AMERICAN LITERARY EXPERIENCES – Esther Cohen Hexter (Akron Jewish
Community Federation)
STARTING A LIBRARY – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron) and
Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland)
STORYTELLING – Susan Hicken (Speech Pathologist)
TEEN BOOKS – Edith Tyson (Warren-Trumbull County Public Library, Emmanuel
Lutheran Church, Warren)
WEEDING AND INVENTORY – Mary Lou Henneman (Boardman United Methodist
Church, Boardman)
CATALOGING – Helen Stahler (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
COMPUTERS AND YOUR LIBRARY – Russell Newburn (Science Hill United Church of
Christ, Alliance)
HAVE A PROBLEM? – Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian,
Cleveland Heights)
OHIO AUTHORS AND ILLUSTRATORS – Carol Sollie (Lowell United Church of Christ,
Canton)
PROMOTION – Laoma Drushal (Cornerstone Free Methodist Church, Akron)
- 1994 *BOOKS IN BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
STARTING A LIBRARY – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
BOOKS FOR TEENS: STRESSING THE HIGHER VALUES – Edith Tyson (Warren-
Trumbull County Public Library; Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Warren)
THE COMPUTER AND THE LIBRARY – Russell Newburn (Science Hill United Church of
Christ, Alliance)
EDITIONS OF THE BIBLE – Rev. Neal M. Kelly (Sharon Center United Methodist
Church)
CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN MUSIC – Vicki Hinebaugh
NETWORKING WITH YOUR PUBLIC LIBRARY: REFERENCES AND SERVICES
– Beth N. French (Cuyahoga County Public Library)
BEGINNING CATALOGING – Helen Stahler (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
TEACHING WITH CHILDREN'S BOOKS – Connie Claes (The Bath Church, United
Church of Christ, Bath)
JEWISH BOOKS FOR THE FAMILY – Esther Cohen Hexter (Akron Jewish
Community Federation)
BEGINNING A VIDEO LIBRARY – Laoma Drushal (Cornerstone Free Methodist Church,
Akron)
HAVE A PROBLEM? SEEK A SOLUTION – Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant,

- Presbyterian, Cleveland Heights)
HOW TO WRITE A REVIEW – Margaret Deibel (Zion United Church of Christ, North Canton)
OHIO AUTHORS – Carol Sollie (North Canton Public Library; Lowell United Church of Christ, Canton)
HOW OUR NEO UNION CATALOG (UCAT) WORKS – Anne W. Dennis (Brecksville United Church of Christ, Brecksville)
- 1995 *BOOKS-IN-BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
CATALOGING FOR BEGINNERS and II– Maxine Sherman and Susan Snyder (Cuyahoga County Public Library)
BIBLIOTHERAPY AND CHILDREN: THE POWER OF BOOKS – Marcella F. Anderson (Library at Rainbow Baby's and Children's Hospital)
STARTING A LIBRARY – Amanda Rudd (Bethany Christian Church, Cleveland)
CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY BOOKS – Carol Sollie (North Canton Public Library; Lowell United Church of Christ, Canton)
SELECTION OF VIDEOS – Ray Roberts (Media Specialist, East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church Media Center, North Canton)
MAINTAINING A LIBRARY – Katherine Fuller (Willoughby United Methodist Church, Willoughby)
BOOKS FOR TEENS: STRESSING THE HIGHER VALUES – Edith Tyson (Warren-Trumbull County Public Library and Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Warren)
PROMOTING YOUR LIBRARY – Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron) and Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland)
- 1996 *BOOKS IN BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
CATALOGING I (BOOKS) and II (NON-BOOK MATERIALS) – Susan Snyder and Maxine Sherman (Cuyahoga County Public Library)
MULTI-CULTURAL CHILDREN'S LITERATURE – Marva Dickerson (Mama's Lap, Uniontown)
LITERATURE ON THE HOLOCAUST – Esther Cohen Hexter (Akron Jewish Community Federation)
PROMOTING YOUR LIBRARY – Kaethe Karabinus (Ascension Lutheran Church, North Olmsted)
COMPUTER CATALOGING – Russell Newburn (Science Hill United Church of Christ, Alliance)
STARTING A LIBRARY OR STARTING AGAIN – Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland) and Evelyn R. Ling (High Street Christian Church, Akron)
BOOKS FOR TEENS – Edith Tyson (Warren-Trumbull County Public Library; Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Warren)
COPYRIGHT LAW AND YOUR CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY – Dr. Ruth Schneider (Bowling Green State University)
- 1997 *BOOKS IN BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
CATALOGING I and II – Janet Daugherty (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
READING CONTESTS – Joyce Kight (Stow Presbyterian Church, Stow)
CHILDREN'S BOOKS – Carol Sollie (North Canton Public Library; Lowell United Church of Christ, Canton)
LIBRARY PROMOTIONS – Laoma Drushal (Maranatha Bible Church, Akron)
BIBLE EDITIONS/TRANSLATIONS – Rev. Forrest Nees (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
BRIDGING THE GAP: JEWISH BOOKS FOR CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES – Andrea Davidson (Cuyahoga County Public Library)
INVENTORY AND WEEDING – Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland)

- WRITING A POLICY FOR YOUR LIBRARY – Anne W. Dennis (Brecksville United Church of Christ, Brecksville)
- REFERENCE BOOKS – Nina Lucas (Cuyahoga County Public Library)
- COPYRIGHT LAW AND THE CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY – Dr. Ruth Schneider (Bowling Green State University)
- BRAINSTORMING PROBLEMS – Katherine Fuller (Willoughby United Methodist Church, Willoughby), Kaethe Karabinus (Ascension Lutheran Church, North Olmsted) and Barbara Messner (Church of the Saviour United Methodist Church, Cleveland Heights)
- 1998 HOSTED CSLA ANNUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE, CLEVELAND
- *STRETCH YOUR LIBRARY BUDGET – panel discussion
- *BOOK TALK ON FIRST LADIES – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
- 1999 *BOOKS IN BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
- ACQUIRING A COMPUTER AND LIBRARY SOFTWARE – Kimberly Berger (United Methodist Church, Chagrin Falls) and Shirley McCartney (Zion Lutheran Church, Canton)
- SELECTING MATERIALS FOR MEN – Russell Newburn (Science Hill United Church of Christ, Alliance)
- LITERATURE OF THE HOLOCAUST: A PERSONAL JOURNEY – Mrs. Samuel (Bilha) Ron (Canton Jewish Community Center)
- IN THE BEGINNING: ACCESSION, CLASSIFY AND CATALOG – Helen Stahler and Lee Griffiths (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
- EXPANDING YOUR LIBRARY MINISTRY THROUGH BOOK FAIRS – Jan Wendorf (Concordia Publishing House, Archy Christian Book Fairs)
- SELECTING VIDEOS: CHALLENGE OF THE MEDIA AGE – Ray Roberts (Media Specialist, East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church Media Center, North Canton)
- WEEDING AND INVENTORY – Shirley Berndsen (Highland Christian Church, Cleveland)
- BOOKCART – WILL TRAVEL – Kaethe Karabinus (Ascension Lutheran Church, North Olmsted)
- WHAT'S IN YOUR BAG? PUPPETRY IN STORYTELLING – Edlyn Theiss
- WOULD A READING INCENTIVE PROGRAM WORK WITH KIDS IN YOUR CHURCH OR SYNAGOGUE? – Molly Halter and Regina Hennon (Poland Presbyterian Church, Poland)
- MULTICULTURAL BOOKS FOR CHILDREN: WE COULD LEARN A LOT – Marva Dickerson (Mama's Lap, Uniontown)
- BOOK REPAIR – Katherine Fuller and Ann Dicks (Willoughby United Methodist Church, Willoughby)
- SELECTION OF MUSIC CD'S – Scott Von Loewe (Rainbow Family Book Center, Maple Heights)
- STORYTELLING BASICS FOR THE BEGINNER – Carol Sollie (North Canton Public Library; Lowell United Church of Christ, Canton)
- HOW TO PREPARE PHOTO SCRAPBOOKS – Beth Stachiw
- 2000 *BOOKS IN BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
- BASIC CATALOGING: FOR THE BEGINNER OR AS A REFRESHER – Barbara Messner (Church of the Saviour United Methodist Church, Cleveland Heights)
- MULTICULTURAL BOOKS FOR CHILDREN: WE COULD LEARN A LOT – Marva Dickerson (Mama's Lap Bookstore, Uniontown)
- PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION: GETTING YOUR LIBRARY NOTICED – Elisa Schleg (Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Canton)
- HAVE A PROBLEM, SEEK A SOLUTION – Marilyn Demeter (Church of the Covenant,

Presbyterian, Cleveland Heights)
WHERE ARE CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES WHEN THE SCHOOL BELL RINGS? –
Jane Hope (CSLA National Chapters Coordinator; President of Houston Area
Chapter; Champion Forest Baptist Church, Houston, Texas)
*GETTING TO KNOW THE CSLA BOARD...AND WHAT THEY CAN DO FOR YOU -
Alrene Hall (CSLA National President; Treasurer of Houston Area Chapter;
Champion Forest Baptist Church, Houston, Texas)
POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL FOR YOUR LIBRARY – Shirley Berndsen
(Charter Member, Past President and Past Newsletter Editor of NEO Chapter)
ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT OF A VERTICAL FILE – Russell Newburn
(Science Hill United Church of Christ, Alliance)
ORSON SCOTT CARD: A MULTIFACETED STORYTELLER OF STRONG ETHICAL
FOUNDATION – Edith Tyson (Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Warren)
BASIC BOOK REPAIR – Katherine Fuller (Willoughby United Methodist Church,
Willoughby)
BOOKS CAN BE A PRESCHOOLERS BEST FRIEND – Alrene Hall (CSLA National
President; Treasurer of Houston Area Chapter; Champion Forest Baptist Church,
Houston, Texas)

2001 *BOOKS IN BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES: BEGINNING OR BEGINNING AGAIN – Katherine
Fuller (Willoughby United Methodist Church, Willoughby)
COVERING A BOOK – Thelma Hill (Willoughby United Methodist Church, Willoughby)
MULTICULTURAL CHILDREN'S LITERATURE – Marva Dickerson (Mama's Lap,
Uniontown)
LEADING A BOOK DISCUSSION – Lois Arnold (Copley United Methodist Church,
Copley)
RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS – Louise Neubert (First Christian Church of Kent,
Disciples Of Christ, Kent)
*KEYNOTE SPEAKER – Lois Ward (CSLA National Second Vice President; Author of
CSLA Party Line in Church & Synagogue Libraries; St. Paul Lutheran Church,
Prospect, Ohio)
WEEDING AND INVENTORY – Shirley Berndsen (West Park United Church of Christ,
Cleveland)
YOUNG ADULT BOOKS – Mary Lou Henneman (Boardman United Methodist Church,
Boardman)
PREPARING AN ORAL BOOK REVIEW – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church,
Warren)
ECHOES FROM WORLD WAR II: WIESEL AND BONHOEFFER – Cheryl Dreher (First
English Lutheran Church, Mansfield)

2002 *BOOKS IN BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
A POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL FOR YOUR LIBRARY – Shirley Berndsen
(West Park United Church of Christ, Cleveland)
MULTICULTURAL CHILDREN'S LITERATURE – Marva Dickerson (Mama's Lap,
Uniontown)
STORY TELLING THAT NOURISHES THE SPIRITUAL LIFE – Molly Halter (Poland
Presbyterian Church, Poland)
BOOKS ON ISLAM AND WORLD RELIGIONS – Phyllis Schaeffer (Cokesbury Book
Store & Church Supplies, North Canton)
*DRAMATIC PRESENTATION OF MARY NEWTON – Rev. Kathryn Adams (Director of
Protestant Campus Ministry at Youngstown State University, Youngstown)
CATALOGING AND CLASSIFICATION FOR THE BEGINNER – Kimberly Berger (United
Methodist Church of Chagrin Falls, Chagrin Falls)
PLANNING POSTERS FOR PROMOTION – Rebecca Riddlebaugh (Rockport United

Methodist Church, Rocky River)
THOU SHALL NOT STEAL: VIDEO AND COPYRIGHT – Ray Roberts (Media Specialist,
East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church Media Center, North
Canton)
BOOKS ON SENSITIVE ISSUES – Tom Drenen (Rainbow Family Book Center, Maple
Heights)

- 2003 CLASSIFICATION FOR BEGINNERS – Kimberly Berger (United Methodist Church of
Chagrin Falls, Chagrin Falls)
MULTICULTURAL CHILDREN'S LITERATURE – Marva Dickerson (Mama's Lap,
Uniontown)
SELECTING CHRISTIAN FICTION – Jean Myers (Riverwood Community Chapel, Stow)
SPIRITUAL GARDENING – Jan Johnston (Church of the Saviour United Methodist
Church, Cleveland Heights; owner, Artful Gardens Landscape Design)
BASIC BOOK REPAIRING TECHNIQUES – Patricia Dubrovic (Processing Department
Manager, Cuyahoga County Public Library) and Robert Johnston (Processing
Supervisor, Cuyahoga County Public Library)
LIBRARY AUTOMATION – Robert J. Ohrstedt (Software Developer, RJO Associates)
CREATIVE SCRAPBOOKING – Angie Susan (Librarian and Teacher, Cedar Hill
Christian School, Cleveland)
BOOK DISCUSSION: 'THE RED TENT' – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church,
Warren)
*BOOKS IN BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
WEEDING AND INVENTORY – Shirley Berndsen (West Park United Church of Christ,
Cleveland)
SANCTUARY TOUR – Ele Richardson (Church Historian, Church of the Saviour United
Methodist Church, Cleveland Heights)
PROMOTING YOUR LIBRARY – Judithe Soppel (Public Relations Coordinator,
Cleveland Heights-University Heights Library)
CHOOSING MUSIC MEDIA – David Powers (Educators' Music Studios)
- 2004 *BOOKS IN BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
SUBJECT CATALOGING FOR BEGINNERS – Kimberly Berger (United Methodist
Church of Chagrin Falls, Chagrin Falls)
TEEN FICTION FOR TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS – Mary Lou Henneman (Boardman
United Methodist Church, Boardman)
THE TRIALOGUE OF JUDAISM, CHRISTIANITY, AND ISLAM: ISSUES AND
RESOURCES – Dr. Mustasir Mir (Director of the Center of Islamic Studies,
Youngstown State University, Youngstown)
BOOK DISCUSSION: 'WALKING THE BIBLE' BY BRUCE FEILER – Ann Penman (First
United Methodist Church, Warren)
*KEYNOTE SPEAKER – Hilda Bromley (founder of Books for Africa)
LIBRARY PROMOTION: THE KEY TO GETTING BOOKS OFF THE SHELVES –
Kathleen Szabo (Church of the Saviour United Methodist Church, Cleveland
Heights)
STORYTELLING NUTS AND BOLTS FOR BEGINNERS – Ellen Finan (Children's
Librarian, Warren Public Library, Warren)
BIBLICAL REFERENCE BOOKS FOR THE LAYPERSON – Rev. Forrest Nees (Retired
Pastor, Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)
- 2005 PREPARE A WRITTEN POLICY: WHY & HOW, PART 1 and PART 2 – Kimberly Berger
(United Methodist Church of Chagrin Falls, Chagrin Falls)
TELL ME A STORY, SING ME A SONG: CHRISTIAN FICTION – Jean Myers
(Riverwood Community Chapel, Stow)
MYSTERIES OF CATALOGING VIDEOS, CDS AND OTHER NON-PRINT MATERIALS

– Georgianne Doyle (Catalog Department Manager, Cuyahoga County Public Library)

THEOLOGY IN FILMS – Dr. Richard Meadows (Professor, retired, of Speech and Drama)

BEYOND BULLETIN BOARDS – Florence Nickel (Church of New Hope, Stow)

*BOOKS IN BRIEF – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)

WOMEN IN THE BIBLE – Mary Lou Henneman (Boardman United Methodist Church, Boardman) and Joy Elder (Youngstown Jewish Community Center, Youngstown)

IT'S A KID'S WORLD – Pam J. Cathorn (Children's book illustrator and Instructor, Creative Call Ministry)

THE 5 W'S OF PRESERVATION – Sandy Malitz (Genealogy Specialist, Geauga County Public Library)

2006 HELPING CHILDREN WITH CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT THROUGH PICTURE BOOKS – Nancy Schory (Head of Children's Department, North Canton Public Library, North Canton)

BOOK DISCUSSION: YADA YADA PRAYER GROUP – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)

UP TO YOUR EYEBROWS IN...LIBRARY DISASTERS – Joyce Kight (Stow Presbyterian Church, Stow)

*KEYNOTE SPEAKER – Rod McClendon (CSLA National Past President; Director of Communications/Media Center for First Baptist Church, Greenville, South Carolina)

CHRISTIAN LIBRARY RESOURCES – Stanford Terhune (Director of Library Resources, Malone College, Canton)

STARTING A CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARY – Kimberly Berger (United Methodist Church of Chagrin Falls, Chagrin Falls)

BOOKS FOR MEN – Shane Kardos (Manager, Logos Bookstore, Kent)

2007 EMPOWERING TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS IN YOUR LIBRARY – Mary Lou Henneman (Boardman United Methodist Church, Boardman)

BRIGHTEN YOUR BEACON: UPDATE YOUR PROMOTIONAL TOOLS – Florence Nickel (Church of New Hope, Stow)

JEWISH GRAPHIC NOVEL PANEL DISCUSSION: THE COMPLETE MAUS: A SURVIVOR'S TALE BY ART SPIEGELMAN – Thomas Hyland (Librarian, Lakeland Community College), Katherine Kendall (Librarian, Lakeland Community College), Lynn Hawkins (Executive Director, Mentor Public Library)

BIBLES AND BIBLE REFERENCE – Michael Patrick (Operations Manager, Rainbow Family Book Center)

SHINE A BEACON ON YOUR LIBRARY: WEEDING LIBRARY MATERIALS – Joyce Kight (Stow Presbyterian Church, Stow)

LIGHT ON SELECTION OF CHILDREN'S AUDIOVISUAL MATERIALS IN CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES – Dr. Meghan Harper (Assistant Professor, Kent State University)

*BOOK REVIEWS – Sally Thomas (First Presbyterian Church, Warren) and Marge Turk (Church of the Saviour United Methodist Church, Cleveland Heights)

BRIGHTEN THE CORNER WHERE YOU ARE: CHILDREN'S BOOK COLLECTION – Janice Flaws (Burton Congregational United Church of Christ, Burton)

NAVIGATING THE OPLIN DATABASES – Enda Bracken (Library Manager, Willowick Public Library, Willowick)

FOLLOW THE BEAM: EXPLORE THE SECRET LIFE OF BEES BY SUE MONK KIDD – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)

2008 BUILDING CHARACTER: BOOKS TO GROW WITH – Elaine Portalupi (Head of Children's and Young Adult Services, The Hudson Public Library and Historical Society, Hudson)

BOOK DISCUSSION: THE FAITH CLUB – Ann Penman (First United Methodist Church, Warren)
CHRISTIAN FANTASY FICTION FOR YOUTH AND ADULTS – Shane Kardos (Manager, Logos Bookstore, Kent)
A SUCCESSFUL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM – Robin Barclay (Director of Volunteers, American Red Cross, Summit County Chapter) and Jan Pluck (Coordinator of Volunteers, Haven of Rest, Akron)
*KEYNOTE SPEAKER: HUDSON IN THE CONSCIENCE OF AMERICA – Thomas L. Vince (Archivist and Historian, Westrn Reserve Academy, Hudson)
CLASSIC CHRISTIAN AUTHORS AS A BASIS FOR GROUP DISCUSSION – Catherine Monnin (Branch Services Coordinator East, Cuyahoga County Public Library)
SUBJECT CATALOGING FOR CONGREGATIONAL LIBRARIES – Kimberly Berger (United Methodist Church of Chagrin Falls, Chagrin Falls)
TOUR OF THE JOHN D. ONG LIBRARY AND WESTERN ACADEMY ARCHIVES – Thomas L. Vince (Archivist and Historian, Westrn Reserve Academy, Hudson)
WHAT PLUG-INS SHOULD WE PLUG IN?: MEDIA RESOURCES – Ray Roberts (Media Specialist, East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church Media Center, North Canton)

2009 HOSTED CSLA ANNUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE, CANTON

*KEYNOTE SPEAKER: FINDING DIVERSITY IN CHILDREN'S LITERATURE – Pat Stone (Director of the Rodman Public Library, Alliance)

2010 BEGINNING A LIBRARY...OR BEGINNING AGAIN – Joyce Kight (Stow Presbyterian Church, Stow)

THE POLITICS OF BOOK SELECTION: KNOWING YOUR AUDIENCE, MISSION, POSSIBILITIES – Dr. Paul Schrodtt (Cataloger, Colgate Rochester Divinity School; Cataloger, United Theological Seminary; Library Director, Methodist Theological School)

BOOKS IN BRIEF PANEL – Shane Kardos (Manager, Logos Bookstore, Kent), Librarians (Suffield United Church of Christ, Suffield) and Librarians (Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)

SHINING LIGHT ON YOUR LIBRARY – Ray Roberts (Media Specialist, East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church Media Center, North Canton)

MANAGING YOUR TIME...BALANCING YOUR LIFE – Dr. David Weyrick (Pastor, Stow Presbyterian Church, Stow)

BOOK DISCUSSION: SUMMER OF LIGHT BY W. DALE CRAMER – Lois Arnold (Copley United Methodist Church, Copley)

*KEYNOTE SPEAKER – Dr. Donald A. Wicks (Director, Center for the Study of Information and Religion, Kent State University, Kent)

CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING AND LIBRARY WORKSHOP
EXHIBITS

Exhibits are a very important part of our workshops. Over the years we have had the following provide this service for our chapter:

A. W. Dennis & Associates, Anne W. Dennis, Independence
Berean Christian Supply Store/Bookstore, Akron
Berean Bookstore, Canton
Best Christian Center, Boardman
The Book Nook, Jean Bollinger, Warren
Cokesbury Bookstore, North Canton

Creative Memories, Angie Susan, Cleveland
 CSLA Publications
 Doubleday Company, James Whelan, North Olmsted
 Evangelistic Book Store, Warren
 KAPCO Book Repair Products, Kent
 Kent State University (Audio-Visual Services), Kent
 The Learned Owl, Liz Murphy, Hudson
 Little Professor Book Center, Inc., Warren
 Logos Bookstore, Shane and Ann Kardos, Stow
 Mama's Lap, Marva Dickerson, Uniontown
 The New Beginning Christian Store, Sandy Buchanan, Warren
 Northeastern Ohio Chapter scrapbooks
 Northeastern Ohio Chapter swap table
 Parma-South Presbyterian Church Women's Association, Parma
 Pickwick Books, Fairlawn
 Rainbow Family Book Store, David Wilson, Maple Heights
 RiverTree Bookstore, Diane Busch, Massillon
 U-Cat, Susan Snyder, Broadview Heights
 Young Readers by Booksellers, Akron
 Zondervan Family Bookstore, Parma

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Perverted Proverbs

A book in the hand is worth two on the shelf.
 It is an ill book that does nobody any good.
 Select books in haste and repent at your leisure.
 A book should not be judged by its binding.
 Two books are better than one.
 Returned in time saves "fine".
 A library book is better out than in.
 It is easier to criticize a book than write one.
 Better ill-fed, than ill-read.
 Many hands make dirty books.
 Never buy tomorrow the book you can borrow today.
 It's a long tale that has no ending.
 'Library Jokes and Jottings'. Henry T. Coutts.

Also printed in the July 1992 issue of NORTEAST OHIO NEWS by popular request after being served at the Chapter Annual Meeting and Library Workshop luncheon:

Beet Salad – recipe from Jo Watt

(Served at the Chapter's 16th Annual Library Workshop at Christ United Methodist Church, Akron)

1 large pkg. raspberry-flavored gelatin
 2 cups boiling water
 1 Tbsp. vinegar
 1 Tbsp. lemon juice
 2 ½ cups canned beets (shoestring or cubed)
 1 cup beet juice (you may add water)
 ½ cup chopped nuts (optional)

Dressing

½ cup mayonnaise
 ½ cup sour cream
 1 Tbsp. chopped green pepper
 1 Tbsp. finely diced onions

Mix all the gelatin ingredients together and pour into a 4-cup mold or 10 individual molds. Chill until firm. Then mix dressing ingredients and spread on top. Makes 10 servings.

AREA MEETINGS

ASHLAND/MANSFIELD

1981	May 19	First Presbyterian Church	Ashland
1982	Oct 16	Grace Brethran Church	Ashland
1983	Oct 19	First Christian Church	Mansfield
		Jean Hoffman – Hostess	
		“Promoting Your Congregational Library”	
1984	Feb 16	Christ United Methodist Church	Ashland
		Pauline Clingan – Hostess	
		“Book Selection”, Evelyn Ling	
	Sept 25	First Presbyterian Church	Ashland
		Ruth Boling – Hostess	
		“Selecting Religious Books for Children”, Martha Durbin and Grace Giles from Lakewood Presbyterian Church	
1985	Feb 26	First Lutheran Church	Mansfield
		Betty Baehrens - Hostess	
	Oct 16	First Presbyterian Church	Mansfield
		Libby Clever – Hostess	
		“How-to’s of Inventory and Weeding”, Shirley Berndsen	
1986	Mar	First Christian Church	Ashland
		Ione Williams – Hostess	
	Oct 22	First Christian Church	Mansfield
		Jean Hoffman – Hostess	
		“Policy” – Anne W. Dennis	
1987	Feb 18	First English Lutheran Church	Mansfield
		Betty Baehrens – Hostess	
1988	Apr 19	First English Lutheran Church	Mansfield
		Betty Baehrens – Hostess	
		Sharing meeting and worked on conference items	
	Oct 13	“Loom & the Cloth Exhibit” at The Temple Tour	Cleveland
1989	Mar 4	First English Lutheran Church	Mansfield
		Betty Baehrens – Hostess	
		Author Lillian Cantleberry – Speaker	
	Fall	“Recruiting Volunteers for your Library”	
1991	Oct 23	First Presbyterian Church	Mansfield
		Libby Clever – Hostess	
		“Book Repair”	
1994	Oct 8	First Christian Church	Mansfield
		Jean Hoffman – Hostess	
		“Promotion”	
1998	Oct 10	First Presbyterian Church	Ashland
		Terry Mapes – Host	
		Sharing meeting	
1999	Mar 4	First English Lutheran Church	Mansfield
		Cheryl Dreher – Hostess	
		Sharing meeting: problem solving	
	Oct 26	First Presbyterian Church	Mansfield
		Libby Clever – Hostess	
		“Bulletin Board Ideas”, Kaethe Karabinus & Shirley Berndsen	
2000	May 9	Ashland Theological Seminary	Ashland
		Nancy Kissel – Hostess	
		Tour of seminary library and museum	
	Oct 25	St. Paul Lutheran Church	Mansfield
		Renate Papenhausen – Hostess	

		“How to Cover Paperback Books”, video with Jane Hope and hands-on experience	
2001	Jan 25	First English Lutheran Church Nancy Kissel – Hostess	Mansfield
2002	Feb 15	Christ United Methodist Church Pauline Clingan – Hostess Blackfork Storytellers “Color Code System”, Dianna Scott	Ashland
	Nov 2	Bookery, Inc Tammi Owens – Hostess Tour store featuring Church Library materials	Ontario
2004	Mar 19	First English Lutheran Church Nancy Kissel – Hostess Book discussion: ‘The Five People You Meet In Heaven’. Mitch Albom.	Mansfield

EASTERN SHORE

1983	Oct 14	St. James Episcopal Nancy Ishee – Hostess “Promoting your Congregational Library”	Painesville
1984	Feb 8	Perry United Methodist Rosemary Lare – Hostess “Selecting Religious Books for Children”, Grace Giles and Martha Durbin from Lakewood Presbyterian Church	Perry
	Oct 11	First Christian Church Joyce Zaebst – Hostess “Have a Question? Seek a Solution!”	Ashtabula
1985	Feb 21	First Christian Church Peggy Spangler – Hostess “Have a Problem? Seek a Solution”, Shirley Berndsen and Anne W. Dennis	Mentor
	Sept 5	Mentor United Methodist Church Nancy Perts – Hostess “Write a Policy Statement for your Library”, Anne W. Dennis	Mentor
1986	Feb 11	Willoughby Presbyterian Church Isabel Sutch – Hostess	Willoughby
	Sept 13	Painesville United Methodist Church Rev. John Germaine – Host “Sharing Ideas on Promotion”	Painesville
1988	May 5	Lyndhurst Baptist Church Beverly Lewis – Hostess	Lyndhurst
1989	Oct 11	Mentor United Methodist Church Nancy Perts – Hostess “Obtaining a Basic Collection”	Mentor
1991	Fall	(Mentor Public Library)	Mentor
1992	Mar 11	St. Paul’s Presbyterian Church	Mentor
	Oct 1	Mentor Plains United Methodist Church Carol Steele – Hostess and Discussion Leader “Books on Families and Family Values”	Mentor
1993	Oct 14	Calvary Assembly of God	Willoughby Hills
1994	Oct 6	Leroy Community Chapel Fran Frabotta – Hostess “Book Repair”	Leroy Township
1995	Oct 10	Willoughby United Methodist Church Katherine Fuller – Hostess and Discussion Leader	Willoughby

1997	Oct 22	“New Children’s Books” First Church of Christ Pam Severa – Hostess	Painesville
1998	Sept 29	Willoughby First Presbyterian Church Jean Bailis – Hostess “Book Repair and Processing Problems”, Katherine Fuller and Thelma Hill	Willoughby
1999	Mar 17	“Lawnfield” President Garfield Home Tour	Mentor
	Sept 20	United Methodist Church of Chagrin Falls Kimberly Berger – Hostess Sharing meeting: computer discussion	Chagrin Falls
2000	Feb 23	Willoughby United Methodist Church Katherine Fuller and Thelma Hill – Hostesses “Meeting your Congregation’s Needs by Making Bibliographies”	Willoughby
	Sept 19	First Presbyterian Church Sharing meeting: special needs children’s books	Willoughby
2001	Feb 9	United Methodist Church of Chagrin Falls Kimberly Berger – Hostess “The Best in Christian Videos”	Chagrin Falls
	Oct 17	Pilgrim Christian Church Isabelle Gardner and Wrae Combs – Hostesses “Helpful Hints on Keeping History”, Bari Oiler Stith, Geauga County Archivist	Chardin
2002	Mar 6	Willoughby United Methodist Church Katherine Fuller – Hostess “Book Clubs”, Lois Arnold	Willoughby
	Oct 12	Kirtland Temple Historic Center Sharing meeting and tour	Kirtland
2003	Mar 4	Kirtland Public Library “Serving Together”, Jane Carle, Head Librarian	Kirtland
	Oct 13	Harbor United Methodist Church James F. Dennis, Jr. – Host “Share your Challenges and Successes”, Kimberly Berger	Ashtabula
2004	Mar 3	Willoughby United Methodist Church Katherine Fuller – Hostess Display and discussion: Bible reference books	Willoughby
	Oct 12	Hope Ridge United Methodist Church Fran Brownell and Pamela Campbell – Hostesses Sharing meeting: planning their new library	Mentor
2005	Mar 2	Trinity Baptist Church Shirley White – Hostess Discussion: “Basic Library Collection”	Mentor
	Nov 16	Morley Public Library Katherine Fuller – Hostess Tour of the new library	Painesville
2006	Mar 2	Mayfield United Methodist Church Nancy Dickerson – Hostess Sharing meeting: promotional ideas	Chesterland
	Oct 10	Willoughby United Methodist Church Katherine Fuller – Hostess “Harvesting the Fruits of CSLA Annual Conference and Applying Them to your Library”	Willoughby
2008	May 7	Mayfield United Methodist Church Nancy Dickerson – Hostess “A few Gems from the Valley Forge CSLA Annual Conference”	Chesterland

	Oct 15	Willoughby United Methodist Church Katherine Fuller – Hostess Sharing meeting: CSLA Annual Conference	Willoughby
2009	Mar 18	Mayfield United Methodist Church Nancy Dickerson – Hostess “What’s in It for Me? A Look Inside the CSLA Guides”, Nancy Dickerson	Chesterland
	Oct 13	Burton Congregational Church, UCC Janice Flaws – Hostess Featured authors from CSLA Annual Conference and their books Tour of this historic church	Burton
2010	Mar 23	Mayfield United Methodist Church Nancy Dickerson – Hostess “Quandaries and Concerns”, Joyce Kight	Chesterland
	Fall	“Rodda Award: Background and Requirements”, Mary Lou Henneman	

GREATER AKRON

	1981	May 19	Goss Memorial Church	Akron
	1982	Oct 19	High Street Christian Church Evelyn R. Ling – Hostess	Akron
	1983	Feb 22	Arlington Memorial Baptist Church Lorrena Wilkenson – Hostess “Criteria for Book Selection”, Evelyn R. Ling	Akron
		Oct 18	First Congregational Church Virginia Owen – Hostess Lillian Cattleberry, author of ‘Sarah’s Story’ – Speaker	Akron
	1984	Feb 28	Christ United Methodist Church Helen Stahler – Hostess “Standards for Congregational Libraries”	Akron
		Sept 19	Christ United Methodist Church Helen Stahler – Hostess “Standards for Congregational Libraries”, Evelyn R. Ling	Akron
	1985	Mar 14	First Congregational Church Karen Saubrey – Hostess	Tallmadge
		Oct 24	Oak Hill United Presbyterian Church Zelma Myers – Hostess “Volunteer—You Can Do It”, Helen Stahler	Akron
	1986	Mar 6	First Christian Church Louise Neubert – Hostess Book sharing	Kent
		Oct 8	Temple Israel Lois Reaven and Kay Averette – Hostesses Tour of remodeled library and its holdings	Akron
	1987		Christ United Methodist Church Helen Stahler – Hostess	Akron
	1988		Cornerstone Free Methodist Church Laoma Drushal – Hostess	Akron
		Fall	Tour “Loom & the Cloth Exhibit” at The Temple	Cleveland
	1989	Mar 14	Resource Center of Akron Area Association of Churches, United Church of Christ “Know Your Resources”, Rebecca Wolf – Speaker	Akron
		Oct 17	Suffield United Church of Christ Mary Baker – Hostess	Suffield
	1993	Mar 9	Christ United Methodist Church	Akron

1994	Oct 13	“Videos! Sharing and Previewing” First Congregational (UCC) Church Maureen Cole – Hostess	Rootstown
1995	Nov 8	“A Learning Center that Works”, Maureen Cole First Christian Church Lois and Richard Fawcett – Hosts	Cuyahoga Falls
1996	Feb 15	“Choosing Books for our Library”, Marilyn Demeter St. Paul's Episcopal Church	Akron
	Oct 3	Sharing meeting: circulation and ideas Stow Presbyterian Church Joyce Kight – Hostess and Discussion Leader	Stow
1997	Oct 16	“Reading Contests or Book Clubs” First Christian Church Louise Neubert – Hostess	Kent
1998	Sept 24	“Inventory and Weeding”, Shirley Berndsen Oak Hill Presbyterian Church Barbara Clark and Rozanne Anderson– Hostesses	Akron
		“How to Write about a Book You Have Read”, Becky Miller – Speaker	
1999	Feb 3	Meade Avenue Christian Church Nick Roetzel – Host	Akron
	Oct 13	Sharing meeting: questions & circulation Suffield United Church of Christ Ethel Frost – Hostess	Suffield
		“Using Computers in the Congregational Library”, Kimberly Berger and Shirley McCartney	
2000	Jan 27	Akron/Summit County Public Library Tour of library, Deb Papa	Akron
	Oct 24	Northampton Methodist Church Julia Crabbs – Hostess	Cuyahoga Falls
		“Meeting Congregation’s Mission Statement”, Panel of three librarians	
2001	Mar 7	Copley United Methodist Church Lois Arnold – Hostess	Copley
	Sept 11	Sharing meeting: books, promotions, or problems First Christian Church Janet Howard – Hostess	Stow
		“Reading or Book Clubs”, Lois Arnold	
2002	Mar 15	First Christian Church Louise Neubert – Hostess	Kent
	Sept 20	Sharing meeting: book or idea that works Trinity Lutheran Church Marge Heisler – Hostess	Akron
		“How to Do a Book Review”, Ann Penman	
2003	Feb 28	Christ Church Episcopal Sara Madison and Lorri Chubbuk – Hostesses	Hudson
	Oct 14	Sharing meeting Christ United Methodist Church Marilyn Frank – Hostess	Akron
		“Books for Teens”, Mary Lou Henneman “Books for Africa”, Hilda Bromley	
2004	Mar 11	Kent United Church of Christ Barbara Smith – Hostess	Kent
		Sharing meeting: successes and challenges Tour new library	
	Oct 14	Montrose Zion United Methodist Church	Akron

		Patricia Neidert – Hostess CSLA Annual Conference sharing: Joyce Kight, Florence Nickel and Louise Neubert	
2005	Feb 24	Rootstown United Methodist Church Rosemary Lare – Hostess Sharing meeting	Rootstown
	Oct 11	Akron/Summit County Public Library, main branch Cynthia Bishop – Hostess Tour of the new library Sharing meeting	Akron
2006	Mar 14	Bailey Road Christian Church Margaret Hardy – Hostess Book review by Margaret Dodge Meet local author Rev. Dorothy France Sharing meeting and tour their new library	Cuyahoga Falls
	Oct 24	Stow Presbyterian Church Joyce Kight – Hostess “Up to your Eyebrows in...Library Disasters”, Joyce Kight	Stow
2007	May 22	Suffield United Church of Christ Ethel Frost – Hostess “Books for Africa”, Hilda Bromley	Suffield
	Oct 16	High Street Christian Church Judy Mills – Hostess “Promotional ideas”, Florence Nickel	Akron
2008	May 12	Bailey Road Christian Church Margaret Hardy – Hostess “Weeding”, Joyce Kight Sharing meeting	Cuyahoga Falls
	Oct 23	Stow Presbyterian Church Joyce Kight – Hostess Sharing meeting and tour of new library “Promotional DVD for 2009 CSLA Annual Conference”, Beth French	Stow
2009	Mar 31	Suffield United Church of Christ Ethel Frost – Hostess Book discussion: ‘The Shack’. William P. Young. Sharing meeting	Suffield
	Sept 24	North Springfield Presbyterian Church Helen Weyrick – Hostess “What’s in It for Me? A Look Inside the CSLA Guides”, Nancy Dickerson	Akron
2010	Apr 15	Bailey Road Christian Church Margaret Hardy – Hostess Shelley Pearsall, local author – Speaker	Cuyahoga Falls
	Oct 12	First Christian Church Louise Neubert – Hostess Sharing meeting: books, workshops, and posters	Kent

GREATER CLEVELAND

1977	May 9	Beth Israel-West Temple and Lakewood Presbyterian Church	
	May 10	Olivet Institutional Baptist and Temple Emanuel	
1978	May 10	Old Stone Church	Cleveland
1979	Apr 24	Cleveland Museum of Art	Cleveland
1981	May 3	Brecksville United Church of Christ Anne W. Dennis – Hostess	Brecksville
1982	Oct 13	Shoregate United Methodist Church	Willowick

1983	Feb 24	Jewish Community Federation Library Claudia Fechter – Hostess Tour building Mr. Judah Rubinstein – Speaker	Cleveland
	Oct 25	Rocky River United Methodist Church Edith Wilson – Hostess “Standards for Congregational Libraries”	Rocky River
1984	Feb 29	Parma-South Presbyterian Church Martha Diedrich – Hostess “Selecting Religious Books for Children”, Grace Giles and Martha Durbin from Lakewood Presbyterian Church	Parma Heights
	Sep 24	Euclid Avenue Christian Church Margaret Beer – Hostess “Criteria for Book Selection”, Evelyn R. Ling	Cleveland Heights
1985	Feb 14	Rockport United Methodist Church Ellen Hansen – Hostess	Rocky River
	Oct 3	Berea United Methodist Church Millicent Parker – Hostess “Write a Policy Statement for Your Library”, Anne W. Dennis	Berea
1986	Jan 23	Maple Heights Regional Library, Cuyahoga County Library System “Religious Books & Resources of the Cuyahoga County Library”, Nina Lucas – Speaker	Maple Heights
	Oct 1	Highland Christian Church (West Side) Shirley Berndsen and Nancy Hagan – Hostesses “Promoting a Small Library and Creating an Archives”	Cleveland
1987	Feb 16	Ramah Junior Academy Elva Battle – Hostess “Look-Listen-Learn”	Cleveland
1988	Apr 20	Olmsted Christian Church Mildred Andrews – Hostess	Olmsted Falls
	Nov 3	Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian Marilyn Demeter – Hostess Tour “Loom & the Cloth Exhibit” at The Temple, Cleveland	Cleveland
1989	Feb 22	Lakewood Presbyterian Church Shirley Breisch – Hostess “Books, Books, Books”	Lakewood
	Sept 20	Rocky River United Methodist Church Edith Wilson – Hostess “Developing a Video Library” Rev. Bernard Dougherty - Speaker	Rocky River
1991	Oct 21	Rainbow Family Book Center David Wilson – Host North Olmsted United Methodist Church Barb Bilas - Hostess “Weeding a Collection”	Maple Heights North Olmsted
1992	Mar 26	The Temple at University Circle Claudia Fechter – Hostess Tour library & museum	Cleveland
	Oct 22	Christ the King Church Joyce Moseley – Hostess “Using the Computer in your Congregational Library”, Russell Newburn	North Olmsted
1993	Oct 22	The Temple Branch Attend Reformed Service, Alexandra Szyk Bracie and Dr. Charles Ansel Exhibit of works of Arthur Szyk	Beachwood

1994	Sept 20	Rainbow Family Book Center David Wilson – Host “Collection Development”, David Wilson and Staff	Maple Heights
1995	Mar	United Methodist Church of Berea Martha Bennett – Hostess	Berea
	Sept 20	High Street Christian Church Evelyn R. Ling – Hostess “Why Have Archives? How to Start an Archival Library”, Evelyn R. Ling	Akron
1996	Oct 15	Ascension Lutheran Church Kaethe Karabinus – Hostess “Promotion: Getting the Books beyond the Four Walls (Promotion but not Bulletin Boards)”, Kaethe Karabinus	North Olmsted
1997	Feb 13	Maple Heights Regional Library “Religious Reference Books”, Nina Lucas	Maple Heights
	Sept 16	Ohio College of Jewish Studies Anne W. Dennis – Hostess Tour of Library of Congress’ exhibit of Jewish artifacts	Beachwood
1998	Oct 5	Rockport United Methodist Church Rebecca Riddlebaugh – Hostess Sharing meeting: circulation and sources	Rocky River
1999	Jan 20	Rainbow Family Book Center David Wilson – Host “New Books, Videos, and CDs”, David Wilson & Staff	Maple Heights
	Oct 6	Cuyahoga County Public Library Tour of Administration Building, Madeline Brookshire	Parma
2000	Mar 14	Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Cleveland Heights Minerva (Nina) Ward – Hostess Sharing meeting with tour including new icons in Sanctuary	Cleveland Heights
	Sept 11	Saint Demetrius Greek Orthodox Church Pauline Latkovic – Hostess Sharing meeting: acquiring furnishings and reading programs	Rocky River
2002	Mar 13	Rainbow Family Book Center Joyce Kight – Hostess “Books on Sensitive Issues”, Tom Drenen	Maple Heights
	Oct 22	Maple Heights Regional Library “Using Reference Materials in a Church Library”, Bill Gornall, Reference Specialist, Maple Heights Regional Library	Maple Heights
2003	Feb 20	Rockport United Methodist Church Rebecca Riddlebaugh – Hostess “Library Promotion”, Rebecca Riddlebaugh and Kathleen Szabo	Rocky River
	Nov 7	Church of the Saviour United Methodist Church Kathleen Szabo – Hostess “Sharing Books that Move and Program Ideas”, Kathleen Szabo	Cleveland Heights
2004	Nov 9	First Methodist Church “Spiritual Pathways”, Rev. Deb Gorman	Cleveland
2005	Mar 4	Rockport United Methodist Church Rebecca Riddlebaugh – Hostess Sharing meeting	Rocky River
2006	Feb 17	Church of the Saviour United Methodist Church Kathleen Szabo – Hostess Tour sanctuary stained glass windows, Ele Richardson	Cleveland Heights
2008	Oct 14	Church of the Saviour United Methodist Church Barbara Messner – Hostess Sharing meeting: books that circulate	Cleveland Heights

		“Sharing CSLA Annual Conference Experiences”, Karen Burt “Promotional DVD for 2009 CSLA Annual Conference”, Katherine Fuller	
2009	Mar 26	Brecksville United Church of Christ Susan Snyder – Hostess “Reading Programs!”, Barbara Messner	Brecksville
	Oct 20	Lakewood Presbyterian Church Book discussion: ‘The Guernsey literary and potato peel pie Society’. Mary Ann Shaffer. Tour new atrium and renovated church Sharing meeting: ideas, problems, solutions	Lakewood
2010	Mar 18	Church of the Covenant, Presbyterian Karen Burt and Marilyn Demeter – Hostesses Sharing meeting: how do I...? Tour of church sanctuary	Cleveland

STARK COUNTY (CANTON/MASSILLON)

1981	May 13	Zion United Church of Christ	North Canton
1982	Oct 9	Beech Mennonite	Louisville
1983	Feb 19	Science Hill United Church of Christ Russell Newburn – Host Discussion of problems and successes	Alliance
	Oct 22	Lowell United Church of Christ Cathy Sabo – Hostess “Books for Children”, Speaker from Children’s Book Barn	Canton
1984	Feb 18	Church of the Savior, United Methodist Church Martha Martin – Hostess “Books for Teen-agers”, Janet Polacheck – Speaker	Canton
	Sep 22	Stoner Heights, Mennonite Lena Pettiford – Hostess “Writing a Policy Statement for Your Library”, Anne W. Dennis	Louisville
1985	Feb 16	First Christian Church Darlene Bergquist –Hostess “Criteria for Book Selection”, Evelyn R. Ling	Massillon
	Sept 11	First-Immanuel United Church of Christ Mildred Grossman – Hostess “Book Sharing”, Evelyn R. Ling	Alliance
1986	Mar 8	Trinity United Church of Christ Mary Maude Beuter – Hostess	Canton
	Sept 25	Westbrook Park United Methodist Church Helen Hulka – Hostess	Canton
1988	Apr 16	Jackson Christian Church (Jackson Township) “Tape Ministry”, Mary Maude Beuter and Russell Newburn Work on CSLA Annual Conference items	Massillon
	Nov 5	Buckeye Book Fair	Wooster
	Nov 6	Trinity United Church of Christ Pat Leimbach - Speaker	Canton
1989	spring	Tour “Loom & the Cloth Exhibit” at The Temple	Cleveland
	Oct 14	Lowell United Church of Christ Carol Sollie – Hostess “Librarian’s Helper Demonstration”	Canton
1992	Oct 10	First-Immanuel United Church of Christ Mildred Grossman – Hostess “Ohio Children’s Authors and Illustrators”, Carol Sollie	Alliance
1994	Oct 5	Lowell United Church of Christ Carol Sollie – Hostess	Canton

1997	Oct 5	Highlights of the Raleigh CSLA Annual Conference Lowell United Church of Christ Carol Sollie – Hostess	Canton
1998	Sept 22	Highlights of 1997 Valley Forge CSLA Annual Conference Christ Presbyterian Church Helen Cochrane & Betty Smith – Hostesses Sharing meeting plus review of 1998 Cleveland CSLA Annual Conference	Canton
1999	Feb 9	Lowell United Church of Christ Carol Sollie – Hostess	Canton
2000	Mar 13	Round table discussion: books & problems Church of the Savior, United Methodist Lucille Crawford – Hostess	Canton
	Oct 19	Sharing meeting John Knox Presbyterian Church Mary Baxter – Hostess “How to Cover Paperback Books”, video with Jane Hope and hands-on experience	North Canton
2001	Jan 17	North Industry Christian Church Eva Snyder – Hostess Tour of library with new elephant bookcase Sharing meeting: books, promotions or questions	Canton
	Nov 16	East Ohio Conference United Methodist Media Center Ray Roberts – Hostess Tour of Resource Center Sharing meeting	North Canton
2002	Feb 5	RiverTree Christian Church Diane Busch – Hostess Sharing meeting: books and/or promotional ideas	Massillon
2003	Sept 25	Faith United Methodist Church Candy Ziegler – Hostess Sharing meeting: disaster planning, moving, software, problems	North Canton
2004	Apr 1	East Ohio Conference United Methodist Media Center Ray Roberts – Hostess “Congregational Libraries—More than Print—DVDs, CDs, Software”	North Canton
	Oct 7	East Ohio Conference United Methodist Media Center Ray Roberts – Hostess Guest speaker: Rev. Bruce Batchelor-Glader, Film Critic for EOCUMC	North Canton
2005	Aug 13	Ida Saxton McKinley House First Ladies National Historic Site: museum tour Sharing meeting: CSLA Annual Conference	Canton
2009	Apr 14	United Methodist Church of Uniontown Rev. Pam Montieth – Hostess Program by Katherine Fuller	Uniontown
	Nov 12	Union Avenue United Methodist Church Vicki Herbert – Hostess Sharing meeting: accomplishments, successes, and CSLA Annual Conference	Alliance

WARREN/YOUNGSTOWN (EASTERN OHIO)

1981	May 12	Liberty United Presbyterian Church	Youngstown
1982	Oct 16	Pleasant Valley Evangelist Church	Niles
1983	Oct 13	Martin Luther Lutheran Church Sue Querin – Hostess	Youngstown

1984	Jan 26	“Promoting Your Congregational Library” Jewish Community Center Joy Elder – Hostess	Youngstown
	Oct 10	“Writing a Policy Statement for Your Library”, Anne W. Dennis Redeemer Lutheran Church Janet Kensicki – Hostess “Keys to Reviewing Books”, Martha Durbin and Shirley Berndsen,	Austintown
1985	Jan 24	First United Methodist Church Jerri Bidlock - Hostess	Warren
	Oct 9	Howland Community Church Kay Brown – Hostess	Warren
1986	Mar 5	“Cataloging Assistance: Subject Headings”, Anne W. Dennis Boardman United Methodist Church Mary Lou Henneman – Hostess	Boardman
	Oct 15	Canfield United Methodist Church Lisa Germaine – Hostess “Bible Study Aids for Church and Synagogue Libraries”	Canfield
1987	Jan	Liberty United Presbyterian Church Maryalice Brown – Hostess	
1988	Apr 13	Redeemer Lutheran Church Janet Kensicki – Hostess	Austintown
	Oct 19	First Presbyterian Church Kay Kiracofe and Betty Frank – Hostesses Sharing meeting	Niles
1989	Oct 4	Redeemer Lutheran Church Janet Kensicki – Hostess “Buying Books: How to Get the Most for your Money”	Austintown
1991	fall		
1992	Oct 15	Boardman United Methodist Church Mary Lou Henneman – Hostess “Sharing a Bright Idea: Books or Bulletin Boards”, Shirley Berndsen	Boardman
1993	fall	First United Methodist Church Ann Penman – Hostess	Warren
1995	Oct 18	Boardman United Methodist Church Mary Lou Henneman – Hostess “Taking the Library to the People – from Preschoolers through Seniors”, Kaethe Karabinus	Boardman
1996	Jan 31	First United Methodist Church Ann Penman – Hostess Sharing meeting: adult’s and children’s books	Warren
	Oct 19	Pleasant Grove Presbyterian Church Sue Reynolds – Hostess “Cataloging”, Beth Foster, Youngstown Main Library	Youngstown
1998	Oct 2	Boardman United Methodist Church Mary Lou Henneman – Hostess “Tips on Writing a Book Review”, Mary Lou Henneman Sharing: circulation & sources	Boardman
1999	Jan 22	First Presbyterian Church Pat Soller – Hostess “Getting Kids to Read Books from Your Congregation’s Library”, Molly Halter	Youngstown
	Oct 22	Poland Presbyterian Church Molly Halter – Hostess Sharing meeting	Poland

2000	Mar 10	Heaven on Earth Christian Bookstore Pat Soller – Hostess Sharing meeting with bookstore owner Steve Parry	Boardman
	Oct 31	First United Methodist Church Ann Penman – Hostess “Book Review”, Ann Penman Sharing meeting: books and promotional ideas	Warren
2001	Mar 29	First Presbyterian Church Pat Soller – Hostess “How to Cover Paperback Books”, video with Jane Hope and hands-on experience	Youngstown
	Nov 9	First Presbyterian Church Sally Thomas and Eleanor McFadden – Hostesses “Reading or Book Clubs”, Lois Arnold	Warren
2002	Mar 15	New Bethel Baptist Church Patricia Lee – Hostess “Multicultural Books”, Katherine Fuller	Youngstown
	Oct 24	Boardman United Methodist Church Mary Lou Henneman – Hostess “Concourse Book Systems”, Bill Jones	Boardman
2003	Sept 18	Jewish Community Center Joy Elder – Hostess Tour of Jewish Community Center Library “CSLA Annual Conference Report”, Mary Lou Henneman	Youngstown
2004	Mar 26	Third Baptist Church Gail Johnson and library committee – Hostesses “Biblical Resources”, Keri Harmicar, Manager Barnes & Noble, Boardman	Youngstown
2007	Oct 18	First United Methodist Church Sharing meeting: favorite fiction and promotion ideas	Boardman
2009	Apr 28	Boardman United Methodist Church Mary Lou Henneman – Hostess Sharing meeting: children’s books and programs	Boardman
	Oct 22	First United Methodist Church Ann Penman – Hostess Sharing meeting: favorite and popular books and CSLA Annual Conference	Warren
2010	Apr 8	Third Baptist Church Sherry Warren – Hostess “Christian Film and Fiction”	Youngstown
	Oct 26	Boardman United Methodist Church Mary Lou Henneman – Hostess “Health Material in the Church Library”, Connie Altomare	Boardman

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

2001	Oct 13	First English Lutheran Church Nancy Kissel – Hostess “Starting a Congregational Library, or Starting Again”, Shirley Berndsen and Kaethe Karabinus	Mansfield
2001	Oct 20	Congregational Library Tour Barbara Messner and Katherine Fuller – Hostesses First United Methodist Church, Cleveland – Deb Gorman Rockport United Methodist Church, Rocky River – Rebecca Riddlebaugh Rocky River Presbyterian Church, Rocky River – Bill Koegler Lunch at Hoolihan’s, Rocky River	

2006 July 16

Maltz Museum

Beachwood

Beth French – Hostess

“Cradle of Christianity: Treasures from the Holy Land” exhibit of
biblical artifacts tour

March 1994 NORTHEAST OHIO NEWS gives the following information about U CAT or UNION CATALOG which was begun by Anne W. Dennis and continues under the leadership of Susan Snyder:

A year ago our Chapter began a Union Catalog (U CAT) of specialized library materials not included in every congregational library. These materials would be made available to other congregational libraries in our area either for reference or loan, depending upon the wishes of the originating library. These might be books, other print materials, audio/video recordings, and resources unique to the individual library.

January 2001 NORTHEASTERN OHIO CHAPTER NEWS carried the first ‘Ask the Cataloger’ article written by Susan Snyder. Her articles continue to be published in the chapter’s newsletter and are very informative.

THERE’S NOTHING LIKE CSLA

There’re no friends like lib-rar-yens,
Yes, no people I know.
When you need to know a Dewey number,
Or you wonder what’s the proper way,
When you need encouragement and guidance,
Just remember
CSLA.

They’re no friends like lib-rar-yens
To help when you are low.
When the sup-rin-tendent wants to steal your room,
When trustees gang up to low’r the boom,
Pack your troubles up and share them with the friends
You’ll find in
CSLA.

Can you befriend a lib-rar-ian?
Can you share what you know?
Can you help us find a Dewey number?
Can you show us what’s the proper way?
Can you give encouragement and guidance?
Then please share in
CSLA.

There’s no joy like a shared joy,
So help those who are low.
When you have a book list that just fills the bill,
If you can manage with intelligence and skill,
Pack your learning’s up and share them with the friends
You’ll find in
CSLA.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Northeastern Ohio Chapter
Church and Synagogue Library Association
Approved 4/24/85; Revised 2/2008; Approved 4/4/2008

Constitution

Article I—Name

The name of this Association shall be the Northeastern Ohio Chapter of the Church and Synagogue Library Association.

Article II—Purpose

This organization is formed to provide educational guidance in the establishment and maintenance of library services in congregations and to promote congregational librarianship on an ecumenical basis in this geographic area.

Article III—Geographic Boundaries

The geographic boundaries of this Chapter shall be on the north, Lake Erie; on the east, the Pennsylvania line; on the south, U.S. Route 30; on the west, the western boundaries of Lorain, Ashland and Richland counties (the eastern boundary of the Maumee Valley Chapter). The Executive Board of the Church and Synagogue Library Association in concurrence with the Chapter has established these borders. The boundaries may not be changed except by joint agreement of the Chapter and the Executive Board of CSLA.

Article IV—Membership

Membership will be granted to individual members of CSLA, members of congregations that are members of CSLA, or institutional members of CSLA, upon submission of a request for membership and the payment of annual dues. Each member shall have full voting privileges.

Article V—Property of the Chapter

The property of the Chapter is irrevocably dedicated to exclusively religious, educational or charitable purposes and upon the liquidation, dissolution or abandonment of the Chapter, will revert to the Church and Synagogue Library Association.

Article VI—Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by joint agreement of the Executive Board of the Church and Synagogue Library Association and a majority of the Chapter membership voting by U.S. postal mail, email or in person, as outlined in the Bylaws.

BYLAWS

Article I—Officers

Section 1. Officers shall be elected by the Chapter and shall consist of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2. All officers shall be elected to an annual term, except the Treasurer who shall be elected to a biennial term, from a slate of nominees prepared by the Nominations & Elections Committee.

Section 3. Officers shall serve from elections held at the annual business meeting to election at the next annual business meeting.

Article II—Duties of Officers

Section 1. President: the President is the chief executive officer of the Chapter. He/she shall preside at all business meetings of the Chapter, shall appoint all committees, and shall serve as an ex officio member of all committees except the Nominations & Elections Committee. He/she shall be responsible for providing personal and program leadership for the Chapter, for serving as its spokesperson, and for directing its activities. He/she is authorized to accept financial gifts for

the chapter from any source insofar as any obligations incurred thereby are approved by the officers.

Section 2. Vice-President: the Vice-President shall be responsible for working in the area of increasing membership and in promoting the interests of the Chapter. He/she shall be chairperson of the Membership Committee. In case of disability or withdrawal of the President, the Vice-President shall become President for the current year.

Section 3. Secretary: the Secretary shall maintain the records of the meetings of the Chapter and of its Executive Board. The Secretary shall maintain the mailing list and perform such other functions normally associated with the office.

Section 4. Treasurer:

- a) The Treasurer shall be responsible for the maintenance of the financial record of the Chapter and for the preparation of the financial reports. The treasurer does control all instruments of deposit and disbursements on behalf of the Chapter and the President has full privileges to deposit and disburse.
- b) The treasurer shall make disbursements of all expense items that have been properly approved under the authority of the Executive Board.
- c) The treasurer shall make financial reports at each regular meeting of the Chapter
- d) The treasurer shall maintain the membership roll of the Chapter.
- e) A financial audit of treasurer records should occur with each change of treasurer.
- f) The treasurer shall prepare an annual report of receipts and expenditures for the Chapter Annual meeting. A financial audit of treasurer records should occur with each change of treasurer.

Article III—Executive Board

Section 1. The Executive Board shall consist of the four officers elected by the Chapter and the immediate past-President of the Chapter.

Section 2. The Executive Board is responsible for establishing the policies of the Chapter subject to the Constitution and Bylaws and the action taken by the membership.

Section 3. The Executive Board is responsible for carrying on the work and fulfilling the purposes of the Association in such ways as the Board may determine.

Section 4. The Executive Board shall act for the membership between the annual meetings of the Chapter.

Section 5. A quorum of the Executive Board shall consist of three of its members.

Section 6. The Executive Board shall determine the annual budget of the Chapter.

Section 7. The Executive Board is authorized to fill by appointment all vacancies occurring between regular elections subject to limitations imposed by the Constitution and Bylaws.

Article IV—Committees

Section 1. All chairpersons and committees are appointed from the membership by the President for a term of one year and report to the Executive Board.

Section 2. There shall be the following standing committees with responsibilities as indicated:

- a) Membership Committee: the Membership Committee shall be responsible for carrying out a continuing plan for recruitment of new members and the renewal of current memberships. The Vice-President shall be chairperson of this committee.
- b) Nominations & Elections Committee: The Nominations & Elections Committee shall select a slate of nominees for each office; shall submit the slate of nominees to the

membership with the announcement of the Annual Meeting; shall conduct the election at the Annual Meeting or by mail vote before July 1, if election at the Annual Meeting is not possible; and shall certify the election results to the President of the Chapter. This committee may receive suggestions for nominees from the total membership to be submitted by March 1.

- c) Program Committee: The Program Committee shall be responsible for planning and executing the program for all Chapter meetings, workshops or conferences, and special events.
- d) Public Relations Committee: The Public Relations Committee shall be responsible for publicity of the chapter and its progress through the compiling, printing, and distributing of a newsletter and other appropriate methods.

Article V—Meetings

Section 1. The Membership Meetings: An annual meeting of the membership shall be held once a year in connection with a workshop or conference. Other conferences, seminars, workshops, or lectures may be held on a regional or local basis upon the decision of the Executive Board.

Section 2. Executive Board Meetings: The Executive Board shall meet at regular intervals at least three times a year. The time and place shall be determined by the Executive board.

Article VI—Dues

Section 1. The Chapter shall be self-supporting.

Section 2. National membership dues in CSLA shall be paid directly to the national office for individual and institutional members. Local dues will be paid separately to the Chapter treasurer.

Section 3. The membership dues for the Chapter shall be established by the Executive Board and confirmed by the membership at the Annual meeting.

Section 4. Dues shall be paid when a member joins the Chapter. The fiscal year begins January 1st and ends December 31st.

Section 5. Individuals who have not renewed their Chapter membership by January 1st shall be removed from the membership but shall be reinstated upon payment of dues.

Article VII—Rules of Procedure

Robert's Rules of Order, newly Revised, copyright 2000, and each succeeding revision thereof, shall govern the conduct of all Chapters, Executive Board, and other committee meetings when not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Chapter.

Article VII—Amendments

Proposed amendments, revisions or additions to this Constitution and Bylaws must be approved by the Executive Board of the Church and Synagogue Library Association. Subsequent to this approval, a vote shall be taken by the chapter membership at any regular meeting. A two-thirds majority of those voting shall be necessary for adoption of the proposed amendment, revision or addition. Notice of the proposed amendment or addition must be given to the membership at least thirty days prior to the meeting when the vote is taken.

Article IX—Dissolution

If the membership of the Chapter falls below ten and remains below ten for one year, it must be dissolved. Any property or monies of the Chapter shall revert to the Church and Synagogue Library Association.

In compiling this information past newsletters, Chapter Annual Meeting and Library Workshop brochures, historian scrapbooks and Secretary, Treasurer and President reports have been researched. This has been compiled and updated as accurately as possible by member Joyce Kight. If you know of additions or corrections please contact her directly.

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A READER'S PRAYER

Lord, make me respect my mind so much
that I dare not read what has neither meaning or moral.
Help me choose with equal care my friends
and my books, because they are both for life.
Show me that as in a river, so in reading,
the depths hold more of strength and beauty than the shallows.
Keep me from caring more for much reading
than for careful reading, for books than the Book.
Give me an ideal that will let me read
only the best, and when that is done, stop me.
Repay me with power to teach others,
and then help me to say from a disciplined mind, a grateful Amen.

H. H. Barstow, 1905
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