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Upcoming Events

ALA Midwinter Meeting in San Diego, California
1/7-11/11

ATLA Conference in Louisville, Kentucky
6/8-11/11

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NEWSLETTER OF THE SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA THEOLOGICAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

SEPTLA Winter Meeting Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia January 26, 2011

The Winter 2011 meeting of SEPTLA will be held on Wednesday, January 26, at the Krauth Memorial Library of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia.

Directions to LTSP are available on the seminary's website(<http://www.ltsp.edu/directions-ltsp>), but if you cannot find them, please "Google" directions from your point of origin or email kkrueger@ltsp.edu.

Lunch will be provided and will feature soup and a variety of sandwich wraps. If anyone has any dietary restrictions, please email kkrueger@ltsp.edu. The cost for the lunch will be \$7.00.

RSVP to Karl Krueger (kkrueger@ltsp.edu).

Winter Meeting Schedule

Time	Item
9:00 – 9:30	Welcoming Coffee & Tea
9:30 – 11:30	Continuing Education Presentation: “AGILE PROJECT MANAGEMENT” Presenter: Clifford Anderson, Curator of Special Collections, Princeton Theological Seminary
11:30 – 11:55	Business Meeting
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 1:15	Overview of RDA by Donna Campbell in preparation for the May Workshop
1:15 – 3:00	Interest Groups

President's Message

There's something strangely fitting in the way the end of Fall semester coincides with the arrival of the cold weather. As a greater-than-usual portion of the country's landmass is blanketed in snow, and a number of cities report record low temperatures, our places of work are warm with activity—heated by extended study sessions and last-minute term paper rewrites. And the focalized point of all that intellectual excitement, the work that keeps our students' minds from freezing over like the landscape outside, is the library. The thought that we are essential contributors to the educational process that keeps our respective campuses aglow throughout most of the month of December should keep us going through the rest of the cold months in the Spring semester.

Because the time between Fall and Spring semesters is so short, we should not wait to consider the challenges the new year will bring. We also should mark the date of the upcoming Winter SEPTLA meeting on our calendars. It will be held at Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia on January 26th. Because of scheduling conflicts, our agenda looks a little different this time around. The full-scale educational session, which usually takes place in the afternoon, will be held in the morning, followed by the business meeting. Many thanks to Princeton's Cliff Anderson, the current Continuing Education Committee chair, for offering to give us a presentation on agile project management. We will hold the interest group meetings after lunch. I hope to see many of you there.

James Humble
SEPTLA President

SEPTLA Winter Meeting Agendas

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Business Meeting Agenda

- I. President's Remarks
- II. Reports
 - a. Treasurer Report
 - b. Interest Group Reports
 - c. Continuing Education Committee Report
- III. New Business
 - a. New nominations or re-nominations for President and Secretary
 - b. By-law review
 - Possible inclusion of 2.4 under Finance. This would be for an inclusion about payment for speakers not associated with SEPTLA or vendors.
 - 9.4 Continuing Education. We propose to add anadem including different library specialties for appointments to the Continuing Education committee (Technical Services, Public Services, and an Administrator).
 - The question was raised as to whether SEPTLA should legally be incorporated? Due to having several monetary accounts that pay out to individuals and companies, it was suggested that we re-explore whether SEPTLA needs to be incorporated for tax purposes.
 - c. From the floor
 - d. Spring Meeting Place and Date
 - e. Institutional News

Cataloging Interest Group Agenda

- I. Approve minutes from Fall 2010 meeting.
- II. Old business
- III. Mission
 - a. How has CIG met your needs and interests over the years?
 - b. What topics would you like to learn more about?
 - c. How would you like to more about these topics?
- IV. Tentative: Synopsis of TCB [Potential regular agenda item]
- V. RDA Workshop for May 9-10, 2011 at Westminster Theological Seminary
- VI. Latest news on RDA: What have you heard, read, or experienced?
- VII. Two-Minute Tidbit Time
 - a. Susann Posey presents.
 - b. Select presenter for next meeting.
- VIII. Other
- IX. Call for agenda items for next meeting.
 - a. Send to: Donna Campbell dcampbell@wts.edu
 - b. (215) 935-3872 (W)

SEPTLA Winter Meeting Agendas

Continued

IT Interest Group & Reference/Information Literacy Agenda

Combined meeting of IT & Ref/IL

Presentation: "Assessment of Library Bibliographical Instruction"

Presenter: Laura Saloiye, Lead Readers Service Librarian, Philadelphia Biblical University

Continuing Education Agenda

Presentation: "AGILE PROJECT MANAGEMENT"

Presenter: Clifford Anderson, Curator of Special Collections, Princeton Theological Seminary

Description: Clifford Anderson will introduce the principles of "agile" project management and talk about its two most popular forms: kanban and scrum. He will discuss how agile project management differs from traditional project management, including "waterfall" and Gantt-chart approaches. His presentation will conclude with an open conversation about the applicability of agile methods to library projects.

SEPTLA Fall Meeting Minutes

Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg

October 18, 2010

Attendees: Gerald Lincoln, Susann Posey, Karen Hunt, Julia Patton, Donna Campbell, Marsha Blake, Paul Mathias, James Humble, Clesha Staten, Briant Bohleke, Karl Krueger, Christine Schwartz, Laura Saloiye.

Business Meeting

I. President's Opening Remarks: James Humble

II. Reports

a. Treasurer's report: Karl Krueger

- Opening Balance: July 1, 2010: \$6,516.69 (Checking: \$1,036.29 & Money Market: \$5,480.48)
- Transfer for David Steward July 8, 2010
- Addition of Annual Dues October 12, 2010
- Closing balance: \$6,273.16 (Checking: \$1,792.00 & Money Market: \$4,481.16)
- The only expenditure for the upcoming month is the invoice of \$23.94 from our provider, 1&1 Internet, who hosts the SEPTLA website.

b. Cataloging Interest Group: Donna Campbell

- Re-nominated as chair for next year.
- Reviewed RDA workshop for Spring meeting
- Trying to encourage attendance by other catalogers
- Two minute tidbit: Christine Schwartz created 30 blog handouts

c. Ref/IT Interest Group: Paul Mathias

- Re-nominated for IT chair.
- Bonnie Falla re-nominated for REF chair.
- Laura Saloiye nominated for secretary.
- Presented back and front end of LibGuides.

d. Continuing Education: Cliff Anderson (not available)

- Submitted Grant request for Spring meeting.

III. New Business

a. Spring Meeting

- Grant has been requested to reflect the 2 day conference.
- Armin will be reimbursed for expenses.
- TCLC will be invited to join to fill 30 seats. They will be charged a fee of \$35-55 based on number of seats available.

b. Raising SEPTLA fee

- The fee has been the same since 2007(?). Proposal to raise the fee to \$100 per institution starting next year.
- President calls for a vote at Winter meeting.
- Additional reasons for increase include funding Continuing Education, Travel assistance, and Consortium purchase of toolkits

c. SEPTLA Listserv

- LBC's listserv system has been down. Motion to look into hosting the listserv through SEPTLA's website.
- Clesha will look into possibility of SEPTLA's website hosting our listserv.

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III. New Business

- c. SEPTLA Listserv
 - Until then please utilize Forums on the website.
- d. Upcoming SEPTLA meetings
 - Winter Meeting: January 26, 2011 at Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia
 - Spring Meeting: May 09-10, 2011 at Westminster Theological Seminary.

SEPTLA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

Tuesday, December 7, 2010

Present: James Humble, Bonnie Falla, Paul Mattias, Laura Saloiye, Donna Campbell, Jeff Brodrick, Cliff Anderson, and Karl Krueger.

I. Introduction—President: James Humble

II. Treasurer's Report: Karl Krueger

- a. Balance as of November 30 - \$6,723.52 (Checking: \$2,242 and Money Market: \$4,481.52)
- b. Karl recommended that we move \$1200 from our checking to the Money Market account for an increase in accumulated interest.
- c. Motion to move the money was passed.

III. Interest Groups

- a. Fall elections re-nominated the same chairs for each interest group.
- b. Catalogers: Donna Campbell
 - Donna is sorting through the emails for the Spring RDA meeting.
 - She will present a brief introduction to FRBR and RDA during the January meeting.
- c. Ref/ IT: Bonnie Falla and Paul Mattias
 - Combined REF/IT session on Assessment and Assessment tools. Assessment of Library Instruction, general satisfaction surveys, and other library needs.

IV. Continuing Education Committee

- a. The grant proposal for the Spring meeting has been submitted and received.
- b. The Winter meeting will have Cliff Anderson presenting "Agile Project Management."
- c. Jeff Brodrick will contact several individuals about working on the Continuing Education committee.

V. Listserv

- a. The executive committee is looking into temporary or a new permanent solution.
- b. The use of another non-institution based listserv or use of a Google group has been suggested.

VI. By-law Review

- a. Possible inclusion of 2.4 under Finance: This would be for an inclusion about payment for speakers not associated with SEPTLA or vendors.
- b. 9.4 Continuing Education: We propose to add an addendum including different library specialties for appointments to the Continuing Education committee- Technical Services, Public Services, and an Administrator.

VII. SEPTLA Executive Committee Re-elections

- a. Posts for President and Secretary are up for re-election or new nominations during the Winter meeting and will be voted upon at the Spring meeting.

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VIII. Other business

- a. The question was raised as to whether SEPTLA should legally be Incorporated? Due to having several monetary accounts that pay out to individuals and companies, Cliff Anderson suggested that we re-explore whether SEPTLA needs to be Incorporated for tax purposes.
- b. Actions to be taken
 - Ask Gerald Lincoln about past procedure with this issue.
 - Contact Barbara Kemmis at ATLA to see what other ATLA regional groups are doing with this question.
- c. If action is needed...
 - Contact a lawyer about necessary procedure for the Incorporation process.
 - Regardless of action needed, submit full documentation for SEPTLA archives.

Institutional News

Lancaster Bible College

Groundbreaking for the new LBC library is to take place on February 22. LBC is looking into new furniture also. A visit from the Pennsylvania Department of Education for a new program for a Ph.D. in Leadership Studies in 3 weeks. LBC is also excited to have a record increase in FTE, with over 900 FTE in their undergraduate program.

New Brunswick Theological Seminary

Rev. Adriene Thorne was appointed New Brunswick Theological Seminary's Artist-in-Residence for the 2010-2011 academic year. A former Radio City Music Hall Rockette, Rev. Thorne is currently Associate Minister of Middle Collegiate Church (a congregation of the Reformed Church in America in New York City). While on campus, she will teach classes in liturgical dance and incorporating movement into worship.

Palmer Theological Seminary

Palmer Seminary is in a season of transition. The new Interim Dean, Chris Hall, is also Chancellor of Eastern University. In August, Palmer welcomed a new Professor of Christian Ethics and Public Policy, Paul Alexander, who came from Azusa Pacific University. He also will be working with the Sider Center as Director of Public Policy. We said good-bye to Wayne Croft, Assistant Professor of Preaching and Worship who will soon be joining the faculty of Lutheran Seminary in Philadelphia and to Mary Weyant (Circulation Assistant) who is now working full-time in Auxiliary Services at Palmer. Finally, the biggest news is that the Board of Directors of Eastern University voted to sell the Palmer Seminary property. The property has been sold to a commercial developer, pending approval by Lower Merion Township. Future plans for the relocation of the Seminary are in a constant state of flux. The present proposal is that the Seminary will be relocated to the University's main campus in St. Davids, PA, and that the Austen K. deBlois Library will be merged with the Warner Library.

Philadelphia Biblical University

Masland Library donated nearly 7,000 books to Columbia International University in August to help with the fire they experienced in the Spring. The University received gracious gifts of personal libraries from two significant scholars. Dr. Jonathan Steinberg, Walter H. Annenberg Professor of Modern European History at the University of Pennsylvania, has donated his personal collection to PBU to help in PBU's efforts to start a history major. And Dr. Howard Vos, who taught for years at The King's College, has given PBU his personal library, which includes works related to history and archaeology.

Princeton Theological Seminary

The Spear Library has been closed for demolition. Luce Library is being shared until the new library is built. The construction, which is to utilize much of the materials from Spear library, is expected to take two to two-and-a-half years to complete. Significant portions of their collection have been sent to an off-site facility in Connecticut or have been put into storage until the completion of the building. This has inhibited the ability to provide ILLs. For more details, please see the website's information on the Bi-centennial Campaign.

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

The library is current home to an exhibit of crèches (nativity sets) from around the world. The display is open to the public and will be up through the end of January.