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Motto of the writers group:

*Let this be written for a future generation,
that a people not yet created may praise the Lord.*

Psalm 102:18

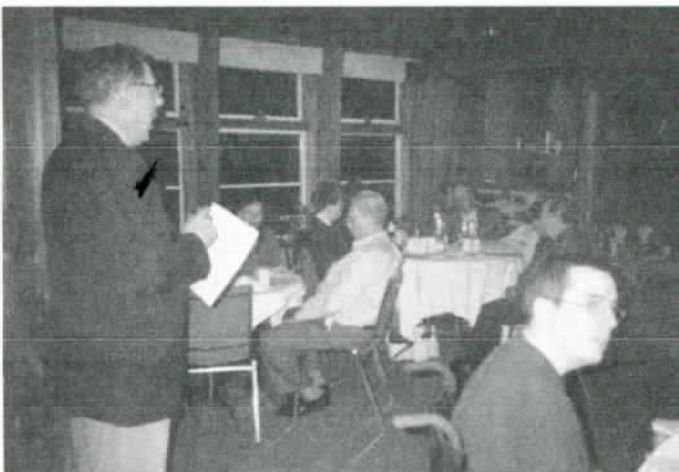
Fraser Valley Christian Writers Group

Mildred Lindquist has been the diligent recording secretary for the writers group for eight years. This book is a compilation of the records she made of the ten meetings a year (the third Monday of the month except for July and August).

Ingrid Shelton helped start the group in 1979. (Standing in photo on bottom right at the group 2001 Christmas dinner-- thank you Myrtle Everett for inviting us to your Heritage Valley Resort). Ingrid was an extremely capable co-ordinator for 23 years when she moved to Vancouver in 2001.

Dr Helmut Fandrich (right) joined the group in the mid 80's. In 1987 he started chairing the meetings and did so for fourteen years. **Fred Moore** (standing bottom left) has been assisting the group with his talented leadership for a decade, connecting the members through emails and chairing meetings when Helmut was away on trips.

Bottom picture shows writers in 1989 – Joy Neufeld, Helen Lescheid (one of the founders of the group), Rody Lake and Ingrid Shelton.



Minutes of WRITER'S MEETING October 24, 1994

At Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut ~~Fraudrich~~ *Fanrich*

Present:

Ron Carleton	Margaret Toews
Doreen Goosen	Elma Hide
Cal Chambers	Prisma Nola Abaya
Tilly Robinson	June Temple
Edith Devitt	Mildred Lindquist
Myrtle Evertt	Annette Brunskill
Martha Martens	Gladys Murray

The meeting opened with every one sharing: "Highlights of Summer".

Gladys Murray announced the next critique meeting to be at Fred Moore's residence on Tuesday November 17.

Attention was drawn to the magazine, "The Exchange" and also "The Christian Writer's Guide" available from Audrey.

June Temple reported on a writer's conference which dealt mostly with organizing a story to attract readers. Autobiographies are again the "in" thing. She also attended a non-Christian Writer's Conference in Surrey by the Surrey Continuing Education. A "credit" is available for attending. The topic was "The Best Way to Write an Article". One of the workshops was conducted by a Christian. She announced a Conference to be held in Portland, November 2nd.

She reported on sending a list of local authors to be used in churches for autographs.

Following the business meeting Myrtle Evertt presented a course on "Write to Win". Each received a copy of notes. This was a condensed

presentation of a workshop which she had conducted at a Baptist Adult camp at Mt. Baker.

The next meeting will be November 21st.

Helmut closed in prayer. Refreshments were enjoyed.

Acting secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes of WRITER'S MEETING November 21, 1994

At Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut ~~Frandrich~~ ^{Franchich}

Present:

Ron Carleton	Tilly Robertson
Gertie Pool	Elma Hide
Karen Crarey	Prisma Nola Abaya
Edith Devitt	Mildred Lindquist
Myrtle Evertt	Ida Hood
Martha Martens	Gladys Murray
Joy Neufeld	Barbara Tollefson (visitor)

The meeting opened with every one sharing: "What would you like to pass on to the next generation?"

There will be no critique meeting in December. A Christmas get-together will be held at Fred Moore's residence on December 19th. It was suggested that we should meet together for dinner at a restaurant and then proceed to the Ammeneties room. It was suggested that each write a Christmas story to read during the program.

Ron Carleton reported on the book "A Rolling Stone Gathers No Moss" by Tina Blatz with Ron Carleton. The proceeds of this book will go to the Black Forest Academy in Germany.

Questions were discussed re: Marketing:

Ron Carleton reported on where to send what has been written. Myrtle Evert handed out pamphlets on "Marketing"

Fred Moore announced that there is a loose leaf for articles that have been published.

Tapes are available for the use of the Writer's group

Following the business meeting Karen Crarey gave an informative talk on her experiences in communication via speaking, writing and singing. She showed some of the books she has helped children put together to be enjoyed by children.

The next meeting will be January 16th.

Helmut closed in prayer. Refreshments were enjoyed.

Acting secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S, January 16, 1994

Held at Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Present:

Ron Carleton	Bert Warden
Margaret Toews	Elma Hyde
Hilda Born	Prisma Nola Abaya
Edith Devitt	Mildred Lindquist
Myrtle Evertt	Sally Isaac
Martha Martens	Gladys Murray
Doreen Goosen	June Temple
Campbell Murdoch	Jake Born (visitor)

The meeting opened with every one sharing: "Something you appreciate about your mother?"

There will be no critique meeting Tuesday January 17 in the home of Doreen Goosen, 2925, Southern Cres. (This was postponed to January 24th)

The 1994 Christmas Dinner was held on December 19, 1994. A copy of the program is on file instead of minutes as the acting secretary was not present. About 45 people attended.

It was decided to hold the meetings on the third Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be February 21st.

Myrtle Evertt reported that she had been asked to take one hour in Education week to speak to students on the topic of "Creative Writing"

June Temple drew attention to Writer's Workshops in Seattle, March 9th to 11th. There will also be a First Annual Writer's Caribbean Cruise.

Program for Tuesday, June 22, 1943 at 7:00 PM
H. C. J. B. Church, Alameda

1. Welcome. Introduction. Singing about your mother.
2. Prayer. Mildred Lindquist.
3. Song. "The Lord's Prayer".

Following the business meeting Sally Isaac shared her experiences in writing. Her book "Some Seed Fell on Good Ground", came off the press in August. Published by Winnipeg Wildflower Publishers. She was supported by the Mennonite Brethren Churches as a missionary. The Churches helped with the printing expenses as she raised her own money to pay for publication. She has promoted her own book. The book is written in the first person which is preferable. It is her story about her experiences as a missionary, working in HCJB in Ecuador in radio work.

Helmut closed in prayer. Refreshments were enjoyed.

Acting secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Program for Tuesday Feb 21, 1995 at Fred Moores rec room

#109 - 32025 Timms, Abbotsford

1. Welcome . Introductions: Say something about your mother.
2. Minutes: Mildred Linquist.
3. We need a treasurer: ?
4. Devotional?:
5. New publishing venture: Prisma Abaya
6. Next critiquing meeting _____
7. Next meeting Tuesday here at Fred Moores' or
Thursday at Sevenoaks Alliance? (5 more nights available at 7Oaks
church)

March meeting with Cal Chambers

8. Report on Seminars & writers workshop- Ingrid Shelton
9. Questions and concerns about writing: Share our experiences.
9. First time that we have an author, her assistant, and the publisher at
the same time. We welcome Phil Hood, Tina Blaz, and Ron Carleton

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

February 21, 1995

Held in the Ameneties Building, 32025 Tims Ave. (arranged by resident Fred Moore)

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Present besides the chairman:

Ron Carleton	Robert Moore
Margaret Moore	Ingrid Shelton
Hilda Born	Prisma Nola Abaya
Edith Devitt	Mildred Lindquist
Myrtle Evertt	Tena Blatz
Martha Martens	Tilly Robinson
Eleanor Klassen	Grant Robinson
Campbell Murdoch	Phil Hood
Florence Lungehaug	

The meeting opened with every one sharing: "Something you found difficult to do and how you solved it"

There will be a critique meeting Tuesday February 28 in the home of Gladys Murray

A PROPOSED BOOK PROJECT FOR THE FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP, 1995 was presented by Prisma Nola Abaya. A copy of the proposal is kept with the minutes. A discussion followed. The consensus was that the project would require much work by several people to make it a success. It was agreed to discuss this again at another time.

A discussion followed re the time and place for the meetings. It was decided to change back to the third Monday of the month as the Seven Oaks Alliance Church is available on Mondays. The next meeting will be March 20 at 7:pm.

Program for Monday March 30, 1976 at Seven Oaks All-Lane Club

President

2 Vice Pres Mildred Lindquist

Ingrid Shelton drew attention to Writer's Conference in Seattle, the last week end in February.

Books available from her such as "Writer's Market Guide", and "Guide to Religious & Inspirational Magazines" and others. She also reported that the Writer's Group can join Internet to share information.

She reported that two students from Regent College are interested in joining a Writer's Group.

Ron Carleton presented a report on the book "

" which he co-authored with Tina Blatz.

Present for the presentation was the author, Tena Blatz , co-author, Ron Carleton and the publisher, Phil Hood, of Maple Lane Publishing Services.

Several members wrote an article or poem to present to Chairman Helmut Franich as he will step down as chairman.

A special appreciation cake was enjoyed during refreshment time.

Cal Chambers will chair in the absence of Helmut.

Acting secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Program for Monday March 20, 1995 at Sevenoaks Alliance Church

1. Welcome:
2. Minutes: Mildred Linquist
3. Devotional: Fred Moore?
4. Next meeting: Easter Monday, April 17th: June Temple has won the
"Writer of the Year" award & has her 4th book out.
5. Next critiquing meeting _____
6. Info about seminars:
7. Questions and concerns about writing: Share our experiences
8. Cal Chambers reporting on his trip.
9. Videotape: *Right from the Heart*

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

March 20, 1995

Held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Pandrich

There were fifteen in attendance

The meeting opened with a devotional by Fred Moore. He introduced his talk by commenting that he often suffered from "Writer's Block" but it helped to have a deadline. He read from Habakkuk 3: 17 -19. He pointed out how these verses can illustrate a writer's block but in spite of that he should rejoice in the Lord and recognize the Lord as his strength. The Lord will "make me go over the mountains (older translation)

There will be a critique meeting Tuesday ~~March~~^{April} 11 in the home of Elma Hyde.

The next meeting will be held April 17th at Seven Oaks Alliance Church, at 7:00 pm

Reports: re Seminar to be held April 1,2.

A discussion followed regarding, "How to write out manuscripts".

The chairman announced that June Tempel has been awarded the "Writer of the Year Award" by the American Christian Writers. Her fourth book has been published. June Tempel will be recognized and speak at the next meeting.

Cal Chambers gave a slide presentation of his trip to Srilanka, India and Nepal. He jokingly introduced his presentation, "How to lose friends and alienate people". His slides were very informative.

Part of the video, ~~Write~~^{Write} from the Heart" by Keith Millar followed.

Acting secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.
APRIL 17th, 1995, 7.00 P.M. Easter Monday.

Held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Cal Chambers

There were ten in attendance

The meeting opened with a devotional by Ray *Kollin*
Cal Chambers lead in prayer.

There will be a critique meeting Tuesday May 9, in the home of Ingrid Shelton.

The next meeting will be held May 15 at Seven Oaks Alliance Church, at 7:00 pm

Reports: By Ingrid Shelton:

--Writer's Conference to be held June 21-24 in Seattle.

--A writer can qualify for a prize from the Amy Foundation if the writer has something which includes a scripture verse published in a secular magazine.

--Brad Thiessen 1582-695 Edmonton T6K 3R3,

ph (403) 461-3456 or fax (403) 438-9481 wants children's articles for ages 9-13: Stories puzzles poems cartoons etc

--The annual contest for devotionals for age 1 to 6 for Pockets magazine. Entries must be postmarked before August 15. There is no entry fee. The winner receives \$1000.00.

The chairman introduced June Tempel who has been awarded the "Writer of the Year Award" by the American Christian Writers. Her fourth book has been published by "Heartbeat Productions". June Tempel gave an interesting report on the travelling and the reception to receive the award.

Part of the video, "Write from the Heart" by Keith Millar followed.

Meeting for Monday May 13, 1968 at New South Wales Library

--Refreshments followed featuring a cake to honor June Tempel

Acting secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

1. Presentation of minutes

2. Report on business meeting

3. Report on business meeting on the trip to Fair and South Africa

4. Presentation and discussion about writing: share our experience

5. Volunteer sign-up for the hour of the hour's work (don't hold up)

Program for Monday May 15, 1995 at Sevenoaks Alliance Church

1. Welcome:
2. Minutes: Mildred Linquist
3. Devotional: Fred Moore?
4. Next meeting: Picnic?
5. Next critiquing meeting _____
6. Info about seminars: Ingrid
7. Helmut Fandrich reporting on his trip to Zaire and South Africa.
8. Questions and concerns about writing: Share our experiences
9. Videotape: *Right from the Heart* (If Helmut's voice doesn't hold out)

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

MAY 15th, 1995, 7.00 P.M.

Held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

There were ten in attendance

There was no devotional. Everyone shared an experience with animals.

There will be a critique meeting Monday June 26, in the home of Margaret Toews.

The next meeting will be the annual picnic pot luck June 19 at Centennial Park at six o'clock. In case of rain meet at Seven Oaks Alliance Church.

Reports: By Ingrid Shelton:

--Writer's Conference to be held June 21-24 in Seattle.

--Availability of Writer's magazines to borrow.

--June 2, An Evening of Fine Art at Mountain Park Community Church. June temple will have her latest book on display. It is open for others to display their books.

Helmut gave a very interesting report on his trip to Zaire.

Closing prayer included special prayer for Prisma Nola Abaya who has missed due to health

Refreshments followed

Acting secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITERS GROUP -- 1996
PHONE LIST

1. Abaya, Prisma	Tabor Home
2. Arthur, Miriam	850-2747
3. Blatz, Tina	859-3429
4. Born, Hilda	853-5196
5. Brunskill, Annette	850-3340
6. Carleton, Ron	864-9490
7. Chambers, Cal	820-2424
8. Derksen, John	852-2621
9. Epp, Mary	855-1868
10. Emblem, Julia	864-9201
11. Evertt, Myrtle	538-3956
12. Fandrich, Helmut	850-0666
13. Goossen, Doreen	850-3557
14. Hide, Elma	859-6960
15. Klassen, Eleanore	852-1140
16. Kollin, Ray	850-5406
17. Lescheid, Helen	852-3148
18. Lindquist, Mildred	855-3847
19. Maryniuk, Alice	864-2188
20. Moore, Fred/Marge	859-3737
21. Murray, Gladys	852-2156
22. Neufeld, Joy	864-8641
23. Paul, Gertie	853-3625
24. Robinson, Tillie	852-4877
25. Shelton, Ingrid	859-7530
26. Scott, Dwayne	853-1236
27. Temple, June	852-0507
28. Toews, Margaret	852-8268
29. Tungehauf, Florence	859-7478
30. Warden, Rev. Bert	854-1470
31. Warkentin, Sara	852-4388
32. Wickham, Cal	853-9988

Helmut Lass-Lieschied

Feb 5 Mon 196

Next mtg March 11 7 PM

Mildred - Devotional (See list)

BUT... or BUTT (an abrupt stop)

We all use words to communicate

Planning Parents SO TH Wed (A) "sounds like to me, there are all chiefs in here and no Indians

BUT Can excuse, a change of direction, a ^{paradigm} shift.

4h 3:16 BUT... have eventuating life.

Rom 6:23 BUT... gift of God is eternal life.

Prov 4:13 a way seems right to man BUT...

16:9 BUT... the Lord determines his steps

Mat BUT... works are few.

Prov May have many troubles... BUT the Lord delivers them out.

BUT the Lord looks at

BUT you are a chosen people

BUT whoever loses his life will find it

Titus BUT because of His mercy that we may become heirs

He works all things together for good - even the but's.

Next Critique Mtg Tue Feb 6 @ Michael on Upper McClure

→ Gladys Annan

Ingrat. Christian writers Conference.

two annual in Seattle @ Quality Inn: 15, 16, 17 of

Respect collage wants to send 5 of their people to interact with us perhaps next mtg.

Helen Ledford Christian writers chapter was 1st June 19, 1978 formed

"Ingrat were at a workshop & were encouraged to

start a one-day Seminar @ Free Church May 27 and

a wonderful turnout; was started @ Ingrat's home. 179

Peg Deem Downy from Trinity West.

what is writing: Communication. Giving: receiving messages
50.4 → The Lord has given me an ^{inspiration} writing is a gift from God. The
Mandate: the message is from God, what is the message
2 steps a word that sustains the reader. Show don't tell. Pull

the reader in.

Morning lay morning to listen. You must be a learner not than teaching what you pass on. Be real: honest. For the reader to trust you writing is having a bunch of words: wanting to set it free.

God gives us the gift, like a lump of dough saying here it is do something with this.

12 Steps "Like a sliver" story.

1) only one single event to cover. 2) Focus on a single change (learn something) 3) How the person grow or learn thru that experience so the people can't take it away. 4) tell in dramatic forms in fiction techniques. Dialogue, scenes, conflict, ^{careful crafted} emotional ride. Must be a turning point scene. The opening scene should be choice after you decide what the story will be about. 'When making a contrast. You're saying this story is about... (Cognitive) Ex or anger or revenge. Start with a problem. The opening must lead directly to of story. Transition ~~to~~ into 2nd scene.

^{not told} Show - she was grabbing for tissue ^{not} 'She was crying' The woman is telling it to father (message) not preaching. 'Kether you are God's special girl'

upset with God why can't I get close to You. Problem is growing. Pop up walls of bitterness he said. an unforgiving spirit. Indirect way. (I knew he was talking to me) Turning point scene. See it PS 147:3 / Jos. 1:5. Something unclean & dirty left me. Like pulling a plug of dirty water. I was free. (ugly)

1) Have a resolution that's believable or say Disarm the reader. This might be hard to believe.

5) Avoid cheap symbols. a bird, flower or sunset to create warm fuzzy. - she interviews people: writes their story. Use few names as possible The teacher, the cancellor had no name. - hand outs

God is my agent IF he wants this published, he'll open the door.

Tell her (Sarah) re angel car.

Mar 11/96

M.C. - Fred

Sarah workteam Devotional Angels

300 References of Angels in the Bible

Gen 19, 24:40, Ps 34:7 (protection) Is 9:12

Birth of Christ to shepherds

Times Mag 6/90 believed in angels

Dec 17 Ven. Sun 4pp on angels

God's messengers, usher us into presence of God
(LK 15:10 - angels rejoice)

Ingrid - Business

April 22 Mon Next Mtg

- Pockets (1000-4000 words fiction contest.) Aug 15 ^{mail -}
return postage Lynn W. Gilliam Pockets Fiction ^{writes}
P.O. Box 189 Nashville TN 37202-0189 ^{enjoy}

- Religious Best Seller

1 Simple P

Mother Teresa

2 Prayer My Soul adventure w/ Robert Schuller

3 The cross Frank Peretti

4 The end of the age Pat Robinson

5 The origin of Satan Elaine

6 Gentle

Max

7 Angels Speaker

8 " encounter Karen

9 When God whispers your name

10 Boada & Christ

Mt Herman Conference Mar 29 - April 2

- city of Abts. 15TH
↳ Ingrid

Fri April 12 Volunteer

students in residents

- 3 writers from Regent College

- 1) Diana Phillips (Ps. 33:3)

2) Yi-Rō-hō - Japan (Tokyo) Miss Maybelle Far

works word of life Press 5 yrs now

writes Biography of a Missionary

- God will confirm for you of what you are writing
is of him

3) Giza Uganda (Dorothy) 20 yrs teacher
effective Evangelism in S.M. groups
wrote several Bk to build up fellow believers
in Christ.

60% Christian

Tip for Poetry

- clustering (think of 1 word)

Faith ~~the~~ → (all words connect to that)¹⁴

pain - whip

- words that synch

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.
October 23, 1996, 7.00 P.M.

Held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance ten

Ingrid Shelton reported on executive meeting held previous to the regular meeting.

June Temple shared recent speaking trips to Australia and Hong Kong. She spent time in England doing research on her family and her husbands family

She is working on another novel "Opened Doors", on Bible Study "Women in the Bible" and a two volume text book on voice production for voice teachers.

Julia Emblem shared she wants to write "Turn Real Life Into Fiction"-fiction from aspect of a dying person, based on her husband's experience on life support for two months. Julia has done professional writing in nursing

Helmut Fandrich conducted a hands on work shop on 20/80 Formula For Nonfiction Writing.

The next meeting will be November 20, 1996, 7:15 p.m.

There will be a critique meeting Tuesday November 5, 1996, in the home of Mildred Lindquist.

Reports: By Ingrid Shelton re seminars.

Refreshments followed

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

November 20 meeting was cancelled due to snowy weather.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

November 20, 1996 Meeting cancelled due to snow.

December 11, 1996, 6.30 P.M. Christmas Pot Luck

Held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance Approximately 35-Spouses included

Dorothy Evertt planned the program as on the enclosed notice

Appreciation was expressed to Ingrid Shelton and Helmut Fandrich for keeping the Writer's Group active.

The next meeting will be January 15, 1997 at 7:15 p.m.

There will be a critique meeting Tuesday January ⁷~~15~~, 1997, in the home of Mary Epp.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

CELEBRATE A "RIGHT" CHRISTMAS

WITH THE

FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITERS CLUB

IN ROOM 211

SEVENOAKS ALLIANCE CHURCH

ABBOTSFORD, B.C.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1996

CASSEROLES, SALADS, DESSERTS, COLD & HOT DRINKS

AT 6:30 P.M.

PROGRAM: 7:30 P.M. - 9 P.M.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC - BERT EVERTT

SHARING HER LATEST WORK - JOY NEUFELD

CELEBRATING A "RIGHT" CHRISTMAS - ROGER DELISLE

GAMES, CAROLS

GIFT EXCHANGE

WE'LL CELEBRATE A "RIGHT" CHRISTMAS
BRING YOUR FAMILY, YOUR FRIENDS

AND

BE SURE TO BRING A GIFT-WRAPPED ARTICLE
FOR EACH PERSON ATTENDING.

(THIS CAN BE ANY GOOD CONDITION ARTICLE YOU ARE
WILLING TO PART WITH: - A TRINKET, AN ORNAMENT, A TOY,
A PIECE OF JEWELRY, ANY SMALL ITEM, HOME BAKING, CANDY,
HANDCRAFT ITEM, - - - - - WHATEVER?)

HOPE TO SEE YOU DECEMBER 11.

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Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

January 15, 1997, 7:15 P.M.

Held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance - 20

Appreciation was expressed to Myrtle Evertt for planning the Christmas party.

The meeting began with a report from Arlene Onderwater, editor of the monthly Good News which is distributed to Doctors offices and some restaurants. She left samples.

Icebreaker-- Each member shared how many white Christmas' each had experienced. Also one not to be forgotten.

Helmut Fandrich distributed his book, "A Mind Once Stretched". Episodes in the life of the Fandrich family during 1995.

Bert Warden demonstrated how he arranged his published articles in a looseleaf.

Ingrid Shelton drew attention to a correspondence from the Alberta Christian Writer's Fellowship. It was agreed that one publication membership for \$30.00 be obtained for this group to share. She reported on conferences to be held in Florida and Mount Vernon.

The next meeting will be February 19, 1997 at 7:15 p.m.

There will be a critique meeting Tuesday, February 4, 1997, in the home of Julia Emblem, 2410 Emerson St.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

February 19, 1997, 7:15 P.M.

Held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Bert Warren (Substituting)

Attendance - 20

Devotion was by Hilda Born - "Why I Write"

Trudy Beyak, (Abbotsford News) spoke about her experiences of writing for the Abbotsford News

The next meeting will be March 19, 1997 at 7:15 p.m.

There will be a critique meeting Tuesday, March 4, 1997, in the home of Fred Moore.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist. (Absent)

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

March 19, 1997, 7:15 P.M.

Held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance - 12

Opening exercise Helmut asked everyone to share, "What are your writing goals?"

Devotion was by Fred Moore - "Moments With God" John 15:1-5. "The closer we are to the Lord the better we can write the message"

Guest Speaker was Ron Gray, President of the Christian Heritage Party. He worked for many years as a journalist, which he describes as disciplined work. He left journalism to head the political party. He has had many opportunities to speak to students about Christian principles and morals. He reminded us about what Christians have brought to this world. Democracy, Universities, Hospitals, Nursing, Public Education etc.

The next meeting will be April 16 1997 at 7:15 p.m.

The critique meeting will be Monday, April 7 1997, in the home of Doreen Goosen.

Ingrid Shelton was unable to attend so there was no update on seminars.

Refreshments were enjoyed

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

- "What are you writing goals?"

Helmut Fandrich to write a book on his cone harvesting machine

Margaret Moore - To write her life story for her children

Fred Moore - To get his book published - to write more devotionals

Ron Gray - to write a speech that will "knock everyone's socks off"

Gerda Fandrich - collect from and write stories about her relatives
(uncles and aunts)

Myrtle Evertt - Memoirs

June Temple - Finish two books which she has almost finished, "Open
Doors" and "Stars on Earth"

Mildred Lindquist - Life experiences in topical form

Hilda Born - Her Mother's Story

Doreen Goosen - Her husband's story

Gladys Murray - to write a piec for every critique session.

Dwayne Scott - to write a book on angel intervention

Gleanings from Ron Gray on journalism:

It is disciplined work

One idea - one sentence - lead paragraph no more than 20 words.

Pyramid writing ▽ Most important at top so editor can cut
Report so you are not visible.

Changed in modern day - not just reporting but writing one's own
feelings.

POLITICS Don't count on politics

Don't discount politics

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

April 16, 1997, 7:15 P.M.

Held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance - 16

Opening exercise Helmut asked everyone to introduce themselves and relate an experience with a computer.

Devotion was by June Tempel - "For Just Such A Time As This" basing her talk on Esther. Have we been placed here for this time?

Guest Speaker was Dan Fandrich, son of Helmut Fandrich. Dan graduated from Simon Fraser University. An honor graduate achieving straight A+ in his final year. He spoke on the many uses of computers for writers: such as the Word Processor for writing, the internet for research and publishing, and communication via E-Mail, and in the future computer banking. etc.

The next meeting will be May 21, 1997 at 7:15 p.m.

The critique meeting will be Monday, May 5, 1997, in the home of Fred and Margaret Moore.

Ingrid Shelton gave an update on Writer's Workshops. She showed a copy of the new magazine "Keys to Success", published by the Alberta Christian Writer's, which is to be shared by everyone in our group. She informed the group about a writing contest. Articles written for children in 1000 words or less. The deadline is August 15. She made mention of an article in the "Informer" by Ron Carleton. Fred Moore presented a challenge to assist in publishing the local "Good News"

June Temple has received an invitation to have a workshop in the Barnes and Nobel Bookstore in Bell ^{Edmonton} ~~Edmonton~~

Refreshments were enjoyed

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Program for Wednesday April 16, 1997 at Sevenoaks Alliance

Helmut: MC

1. Welcome:
2. Introduce yourself & relate an experience with a computer.
3. Minutes: Mildred Linquist.
4. Devotional: June Temple.
5. Next critiquing meeting _____
6. Next meeting 3rd Wednesday April 21st.
7. Thank _____ for providing us with food.
8. Speaker: Dan Fandrich- ***Using computers in writing.***
9. Workshops & future seminars: Ingrid Shelton.
10. Questions and concerns about writing.
11. Vídeo: ***Write from the Heart*** by Kieth Millar if time permits.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

May 21, 1997, 7:15 P.M.

Held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Fred Moore

Attendance - 16

Opening exercise Fred asked everyone to introduce themselves and tell what each does or did for a living

Devotion was given by guest speaker Judie Suda. She spoke about her experience with self publishing her book. She prepared a camera ready copy and had Morris Publishers print it. The cover was included with the printing. Her cost was \$1000.00 plus \$100.00 editing cost for a small run of 300 copies. The mark up in stores is usually about 40%. She suggested the writer's group should put a book together and publish it. Members were asked to tell what work they had published.

The next meeting will be June 18 th and will be a pot luck picnic. Time 6 P.M. 1997. Meet at the church and go to the park if weather is suitable.

The critique meeting will be Monday, June 16, 1997, in the home of Doreen Goosen.

Ingrid Shelton gave an update on a Writer's Conference (Camp style) to be held the end of July. She showed a copy of the "Rainbow News" which Prisma is writing for the Tabor Home residents. She gave information about "Canadian Christian Publishing Guide" from Audrey Dorsch. She informed that the format for Query letters has changed. Make it outstanding.

Fred Moore presented a project. Each was to write on "My Miracle" in ten minutes and then share it with the group. Some interesting short stories were shared.

Refreshments were enjoyed

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

June 18, 1997, 6:00 P.M.

Due to inclement weather the planned picnic became a pot-luck supper held in Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Frandrich

Attendance - 12

Following the pot-luck a devotional was given by Fred Moore. He chose to share Psalm 23 as it could apply to writers.

Ingrid Shelton informed the group of current writing contests and a Writer's conference to be held in Edmonton, September 26-27.

Guest speaker, Florence M. Tungehaug read some of her poems. She entered a poetry contest last year and earned a nomination for "Poet of the Year" 7Everyone received a copy of "What Price Freedom" featuring the Mighty Fraser River.

The next meeting will be September 17.

The critique meeting will be *July 14* 1997, in the home of Ingrid Shelton.
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Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

September 17, 1997, 7:15 P.M.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance - 18

Welcome : Everyone shared how they spent the summer months.

Devotional was given by Julia Emblem, "Joys of a Rare Grace"

Her challenge was to be thankful for little things and to express our thanks to others in tangible ways.

Fred Moore gave information about making use of the internet and E-mail.

He also read an article entitled "Whatever happened to Christian Publishing?" regarding the sale of Christian publishing companies to secular publishers.

Phil Hood, as guest speaker, spoke on "Writing for Multimedia"

Ingrid Shelton gave an update on seminars. She also gave a report on the finances.

Balance September 1996 -	\$106.00
Memberships paid	\$216.00
Room fee 9 meetings @ \$20.	\$180.00 (includes next mtg)
Balance September 1997	\$ 36.00.

Officers for the coming year are:

Co-ordinator : Ingrid Shelton (assisted by Julia Emblem)

Chairman : Helmut Fandrich vice Fred Moore

Secretary : Mildred Lindquist substitute Bert Ward

Treasurer : Ingrid Shelton

Social Chairman : Myrtle Evertt assisted by Margaret Moore

The next meeting will be October 15.

The critique meeting will be September 22 1997,

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Program for Wednesday Sept 17, 1997 at Sevenoaks Alliance

Helmut: MC

1. Welcome: Introduce yourself & tell us something about your summer.
2. Minutes: Mildred Linquist.
3. Devotional: Julia
4. Next critiquing meeting _____
5. Next meeting 3rd Wednesday Oct 15th. ← Fred Moore.
6. Speaker: Phil Hood: **Writing for Multimedia.**
7. Questions and concerns about writing/sharing experiences.
8. Workshops & seminars: Ingrid Shelton.
9. Business Meeting: Ingrid

10. Thank _____ for providing us with food.



*Fraser Valley Christian Writers
Christmas Social &
Potluck Dinner 1997*

Date: Monday, December 22

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: Fred & Marg Moore's Apartment Recreation Room

32025 Tims Avenue, Abbotsford

(corner of Clearbrook Road and Tims Ave)

*Ring #109

Potluck:

Those whose last name start with A - E please bring a salad.

Those whose last name start with F - M please bring a hot casserole.

Those whose last name start with N - Z please bring a dessert dish.

Everyone should bring a wrapped gift with a value up to \$6.00 for the gift exchange.
Items you have on hand are acceptable.

You are welcome to bring your family or a friend.

Please R.S.V.P. by Friday, December 19th. Call Fred or Marg Moore at 859-3737.

Don't miss this enjoyable evening. Food, fun, carols, plus...!

I look forward to seeing you there,

Myrtle Evertt,
Co-ordinator

Program for Monday January 19, 1998

at Sevenoaks Alliance Church

Fraser Valley Christian Writers Group

Helmut Fandrich: MC

1. Welcome: Introduce yourself, pick a country that you've lived in or visited or would like to visit or would want to stay away from and try to convince me that is where I should go on my next trip. I'll tell you why I've chosen to go to Yemen next month.
2. Minutes: Mildred Linquist.
3. Devotional: Mary Seegstra(sp?)
4. Next critiquing meeting. _____
5. Next meeting 3rd Monday Feb 16th.
6. Workshops & seminars: Ingrid Shelton.
7. Speaker: **Lynn Szabo**, teaches writing at Trinity
8. Questions and concerns about writing/sharing experiences.
9. Video if time permits: **Write from the Heart** by Kieth Millar
10. Thank Bert Warden for providing us with food.

Guidance Committee: Fraser Valley Christian Writers Group

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Marg Moore |

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

January 19, 1998, 7:15 P.M.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance - 17

Welcome : Helmut shared his plans about a trip they plan to take to Yemen. He asked each one to tell about a country they had visited and tell reasons he should visit that country.

Devotional was given by Mary Steegstra . She spoke about Habbakuk who was instructed to "Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that whoever reads it may run with it"

Guest speaker was Lynn Szaba. She received her first degree in Saskatchewan and her graduate degree at UBC and is presently teaching writing at Trinity Western University. Her topic was "Writing as a Creative Act"

Ingrid Shelton gave an update on seminars. She also gave information re opportunities to send articles to publishers of "Chicken Soup" series. She showed a copy of an article and picture in the local paper featuring Fred and Margaret Moore and their recent book.

She relayed greetings from Edith Devitt, from her home in Florida. Edith is a former member of this writers group

The next meeting will be February 16.

The critique meeting will be February 2 at:
Carol Loewen's residence, 3060 Charles Abbotsford.

Lunch was supplied by Bert Warden.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

February 16, 1998, 7:15 P.M.

Chairman: Fred Moore. Helmut Fandrich away on a trip.

Attendance - 16

Welcome :Each one shared what books, articles, etc. he or she had published or planned to publish.

Devotional was given by Cal Chambers. His topic was Perseverance. He referred to the perseverance that Olympic athletes demonstrated to reach their goals. When Paul wrote to the churches he encouraged them to persevere. Writers need to stick with it. There is someone waiting to read what you will write.

Ingrid Shelton gave an update on seminars. She reminded the group re opportunities to send articles to publishers of "Chicken Soup" series. She recommended that individuals subscribe to the Alberta Published "Fellow Script" rather than a group subscription.

The next meeting will be March 16.

The critique meeting will be March 2 at Elma Hide's residence: 19-2050 Gladwin Road, Abbotsford.

The guest speaker was Dr. June Temple, a member of the writer's group. She lectured on the topic, "How to write your life story".

Fred Moore thanked Dr. Temple for her informative talk.

Fred showed examples of topics he receives twice a month on E-mail under the title "Inklings", such as,

- Ask the children's book author,
- Markets,
- Ask the agents - understanding contracts.

Lunch was supplied by Fred and Margaret Moore.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

- Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

March 16, 1998, 7.15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Alliance.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

Attendance - 15

Introduction: Share a project you are working on and a prayer request.

Devotion and prayer: by Margaret Moore. She shared a reading, "Joy Breaks" by Lucy Swindall.

Announcements:

The next meeting will be Monday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m.

The critique meeting will be Monday, April 6, 1998 @ residence of Fred and Margaret Moore @ 7:00 pm.

Guest Speaker: Helmut Fandrich gave an interesting account of their trip to Yemen.

Ingrid Shelton brought attention to the seminar "God Uses Ink" at Briercress, June 18-20.

June Tempel had her books on display for sale.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

April 20, 1998, 7:15 P.M. @ Seven Oaks Alliance

Chairman: Fred Moore.

Attendance - 18 one first time, one guest

Introduction: "Give us your name, and tell us whether you have submitted anything for publication since the last meeting"

Sharing from "Inklings" article by Fred Moore.

Devotional and prayer by Fred Moore

Announcements by Ingrid Shelton,

Writer's Conferences/Course

1. May 19 -beginning a six week course on creative writing by Lynn Szabo @ Trinity Western University

Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 - 9:30pm

2. May 26 - 30 "Ink and Arts" @ Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Keynote speaker: Frank Peretti and Jerry Leukins

3. Member's work published recently:

Clarion (North View Writer's Guild)

-Ron Carleton, meditation and poem

Abby News

-Article on Hilda Born and her book "Maria's Century"

Fellowscript (ACWF / Canada) -Article by Gladys Murray

Speaker: April Yamasaki Senior Pastor of Emmanuel Mennonite Church, Abbotsford.

Topic: Column writing. She explained the steps involved in writing a column to suit different publications,

e.g. Newspaper column, newspaper column, devotional magazine. The purpose of a devotional is to direct the reader to God by giving insight through reflection and meditation.

The next meeting will be Monday, May 18 @ 7:15

The critique meeting will be May 4 @ Ingrid Shelton's @ 7:00

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist. Minutes taken by Gladys Murray

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

May 25, 1998, 7.15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Alliance.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

Attendance - 20

Introduction: Share an experience you've had to do with the funeral of a family member or close friend.

Devotion and prayer: by June Temple. She shared a devotional of her own published by "The Upper Room" based on Luke 4: 14-19.

Announcements:

The next meeting will be Monday, June 15, 1998 at 6:30 p.m. It will be a potluck picnic for members and families, and guests. It will be either at the park or church depending on the weather.

The critique meeting will be Monday, June 1, 1998 @ residence of Mildred Lindquist @ 7:00 pm.

Guest Speaker: Introduced by Judy Suda - Stephen Bau of "Design One", Langley, a graphic artist and writer. He shared his vision of starting a new magazine to promote a society built on scripture, not human ideas.

Group response: very positive, with some hands on help volunteered.

Helmut introduced his book "Fandrich Fulfillment" prepared for his son's wedding to Laura Chatters. He explained how he had developed and published the book. He gave a copy to everyone present.

Ingrid Shelton gave key points from the Mt. Vernon Conference. Changes in writing industry: editors want short "how-to"; (not stories) profiles of famous people.

Stories are wanted for "Chicken Soup" books

Secretary: Substitute for Mildred Lindquist, Gladys Murray.

F.V. Ch. W's May 25, 1998

6. Guest speaker (Cont.)

vision: magazine,

- in touch with the culture, current issues

- to promote a society

built on Scripture, not human ideas

- open to freelance prose, poetry, photos

- theme: love is the basis for life
through Jesus Christ

- welcomes help by other graphic artists

- questions to be answered

- ? Source of funding

- subscription

- advertisements

- ? how far circulation to extend

- ? writers guidelines

- ? will he have email

- ? manuscripts dropped off
at his home

- ? his role

- creative director - probably

- publisher, editor - preferably
someone with experience

Group response: very positive, with some
hands-on help volunteered.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

September 21, 1998, 7:15 P.M.

Chairman: Fred Moore.

Attendance - 24

Welcome :.

Devotional readings by Myriam Arthur.

Activity: A critiquing opportunity for the group, as is done at critique group meetings. Articles were read aloud. Copies were distributed to each person by:

Fred Moore

Helmut Fandrich.

The next meeting will be Monday, October 19 @ 7:15

The critique meeting will be October 5 @ 7:00 p at Julia Emblem's residence: 201-2410 Emerson Abbotsford.

Lunch was enjoyed.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist. Minutes taken by Gladys Murray

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

October 19, 1998, 7:15 P.M. @ Seven Oaks Alliance

Chairman: Fred Moore.

Attendance - 19

Devotional & prayer. Devotional prepared by Prisma Abaya and read by Fred Moore.

Announcements:

1. Hilda Born presented a box of old books on writing, donated by a former writer now disabled. These are available free to anyone.
2. "Silent Voices 2" Anthology of poetry. Fifteen dollar entry fee. Deadline Oct. 31, 1998. (member Florence Tunghaug's poem appears in volume 1)
3. Dr. June Temple will be giving a workshop on Nov. 14 a.m. at Calvin Presbyterian Church.
4. "Inklings", on line newsletter. Fred Moore made recent issues available. He has discontinued subscription.
5. Chicken Soup series is currently collecting stories for "Chicken Soup for the Travelling Soul". (up to 1600 words)

Speakers:

1. Trudy Suda reported on the ACWF conference Sept. 25-26/98
The conference keynote speaker was Luci Shaw, (poet). Trudy brought two of Luci Shaw's books: "The Sighting" and "Water My Soul - Cultivating My Inner Life". She attended three useful workshops: Poetry therapy, Marketing, and Greeting card writing.
2. Dianne Bowker, poet, who has a degree in Hymnology from Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky and a Master of Theology from Regent college. She read a five stanza hymn she composed.
3. Doreen Goosen presented a book commemorating the 50th anniversary of her congregation, Church of God in Christ, Mennonite. The book has stories about church families in the community in this era.
The next meeting will be Monday, Nov. 16, @ 7:15
The critique meeting will be Nov. 2 @ residence of Doreen Goosen @ 7:00
A birthday cake was presented to Prisma.

Closing prayer by Fred Moore.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist. Minutes taken by Gladys Murray

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

November 23, 1998, 7:15 P.M. @ Seven Oaks Alliance

Chairman: Fred Moore.

Attendance - 19

Introduction: Everyone shared briefly, re: what writing each had been working on recently.

Inspirational: Fred read a short story illustrating the power of unity:
A school of fish can sink a ship.

Devotional & prayer. by Jessie Hardy. She read her poem on spiritual warfare.

Speaker: Miff Crowmelin. He read portions of his book of fifty essays written on political topics, on behalf of the Christian Heritage Party.

Judie Suda, Victory Publishers, presented several products:

1. Slip-ins, Bookmarks. Writers can have their poems or prose made up to sell or use as gifts.
2. Chapbook: a booklet collection of poems & short stories.
3. Two volumes of her poetry.
4. Two books she has helped others to publish.

Announcements:

Fred read a humorous article entitled, "Department of Ecology Guide to Proofreading"

Ingrid Shelton made a presentation, "Ten Steps to Successful Publishing"

Website: Fraser Valley Christian Writers will be included in community events list at www.fvconnect.bc.ca

Project: A group book by Fraser Valley Christian Writers, made up of contributions by members. e.g. Articles, stories, poems, reprints, etc.

The critique group members will function as a committee to develop guidelines, and select pieces for publication.

Elections for this year.

Co-ordinator: Ingrid Shelton

Chairman:.....Helmut Fanrich, Fred Moore.

Secretary:.....Mildred Lindquist, Carol Loewen,

Treasurer:.....Ingrid Shelton, Joy Neufeld.

Social Chairman:...Myrtle Evertt. Margaret Moore.

Phoning Committee:.Margaret Moore, Annette Brunskill, Gladys Murray.

The next meeting will be a Christmas Party Monday, DEC. 14, @ 6.00 p.m.

Myrtle Evertt will send members a letter with details. It will be potluck.

The critique meeting will be Nov.30 @ residence of Mary Epp. @ 7:00

Closing prayer by Fred Moore.

Fellowship lunch followed.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist. Minutes taken by Gladys Murray

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

December 14, 1998, 6.00 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Alliance. This was the annual potluck Christmas party.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

Attendance - 35 including spouses and children. New guests were Mr. Beal Anthony and Mrs Evelyn Thompson

Introduction: Helmut presented everyone with his book, "Fandrich Fulfillment"

The evening was arranged by Myrtle Evertt and her family. Good fellowship around a delicious potluck meal, followed by the reading of the Christmas story from Luke. Groups were formed and each group was to write an ending for a short story. Prizes were given to the top two. Carol singing was followed by a game for the exchange of gifts.

The next meeting will be Monday, Jan. 18, 1999 @ 7:15p.m.

The critique meeting will be January 11, 1999, ~~20~~ @ residence of Mildred Lindquist. @ 7:00

Closing prayer by Fred Moore.

Fellowship lunch followed.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.



IT'S
CHRISTMAS TIME
IN THE VALLEY

We look forward to seeing you at the 'fun & games'

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK DINNER

of the

FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITERS' GROUP

at

6 P.M.

DECEMBER 14, 1998

in

ROOM 110

SEVEN OAKS ALLIANCE CHURCH

GLADWIN ROAD, ABBOTSFORD, B.C.

✓ CHILDREN AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME

EVERYONE IS ASKED TO BRING A NO-NAME WRAPPED
EXCHANGE GIFT OF APPROXIMATELY \$5.00 VALUE.

(It can be something you have, you wish to give)

FOR THE POTLUCK MEAL, THOSE WHOSE SURNAMES
BEGIN WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING LETTERS:

A to G - PLEASE BRING A HOT CASSEROLE

H to M - PLEASE BRING A DESSERT

N to W - PLEASE BRING A SALAD

DON'T MISS OUT ON THE FUN, GAMES, & CAROLS
& FOOD!

Myrtle Everett
co-ordinator

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

January 18, 1999, 7.15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Alliance.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

Attendance - 18

Ice breaker: Fred Moore read a humorous short fiction story

Devotion and prayer: Ingrid Shelton. She read "Romans 12 for Writers"

Introduction: Helmut asked each one to give their name and viewpoint on what would you do if you sold your book in the US and could legally avoid paying tax by forming a company out of Canada.

Speaker: Susan Tucker Blair, poet, has taken courses in writing poetry at Regent College, was a missionary kid in Nigeria. She shared some of her poetry as well as poetry by other authors. Her own poetry is from personal experiences.

Announcements:

1. Ingrid drew attention to the Mt. Vernon writer's conference, March 26 to 30.
 2. She brought issues of "Straight", Sunday School take home papers which had published one of her stories.
 3. She distributed copies of the 1999 Anthology guidelines. Entries to be considered for the book are due before May 17. She suggested that the Anthology Committee should investigate the possibility of getting a grant from the Abbotsford Foundation to help defray publishing expenses for the Anthology
 4. Judie Suda has printed out Web site sheet.
- Lunch and Fellowship followed.

The next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 15 18, 1999 @ 7:15p.m.

The critique meeting will be February 1, 1999 @ residence of Ingrid Shelton @ 7:00

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

February 15, 1999, 7.15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Alliance.

Chairman: Bert Warden.

Attendance - 15

Announcements:

The next meeting will be Monday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m.

The critique meeting will be Monday, March 1, 1999 @ residence of Ingrid Shelton @ 7:00 pm. (P.S. The meeting was postponed for one week due to Ingrid's illness)

Guest Speaker: Irene Lowen, a missionary in Japan for 27 years, 1970 - 1997, gave a comprehensive report of her struggles to write her book, "Empty Moon". Her book ~~has also been~~^{will be} translated into Japanese.

Ingrid Shelton brought attention to:

-American Christian Writer's one day seminar in Tacoma.

-Mt Herman five days, March 28- April 1.

-An inspirational writer's contest.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Program for Monday March 15, 1999
at Sevenoaks Alliance Church
Fraser Valley Christian Writers Group

1. Welcome: Helmut Fandrich: MC: If you are told that you have less than 12 months to live and can claim back half of your own term life insurance, how would you spend it?
2. Minutes: Mildred Linquist
3. Devotional: Evelyn Thompson, wife of late Robert Thompson
4. Next critiquing meeting. _____
5. Next meeting 3rd Monday April 19th
6. Workshops & seminars: Ingrid Shelton
7. Lilly Kehler, from Trinity University - self published book - got distributor
8. Trip to S.E. Asia - Helmut
9. Questions and concerns about writing/sharing experiences.
10. Video if time permits: ***Write from the Heart*** by Kieth Millar
11. Thank _____ for providing us with food

Guidance Committee: Fraser Valley Christian Writers Group

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| 6. Phoning | Marg Moore |

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

March 15, 1999, 7.15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Alliance.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

Attendance - 22

Welcome: Each one introduced themselves and answered the question, "If you are told that you have less than 12 months to live and can claim back half of your own life insurance, how would you spend it?" The suggested amount was \$37,000.

Interesting answers included family trips, scholarships, payment of debts, mission projects, publishing a book, a larger RV to join others who spend their time helping with mission or church projects, helping deprived children, etc.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and corrected.

Devotional and prayer: Evelyn Thompson, wife of the late Robert Thompson. Her talk was entitled "Ride-on". She chose the story of Jesus' triumphal entry taken from Matthew, and the King of kings riding victoriously on the white horse as written in Revelation 19. She read a poem she had written, entitled, "Ride on"

Announcements:

The next meeting will be Monday, April 19 at 7:15 p.m.

The critique meeting will be Monday, April 12, 1999 @ residence of Alma Hide @ 7:00 pm.

Ingrid Shelton drew attention to:

the letters to the Abbotsford News written by Bert Warden and the favorable comments regarding them.

The upcoming Mt. Herman workshop and seminar, March 28- April 1.

American Christian writer's seminar for beginner writers, March 20.

The cost is \$79.00.

Writer's contests.

Reminder to everyone to contribute an article for the 1999 Anthology. The deadline is May 17, 1999.

Guest Speaker: Lilli Kehler, secretary in the faculty of Education at Trinity Western University, who has self published two books, "Letters From Heaven" and "Rainbows in the Valley". She spoke of the motivation for writing to include stories told to her by people living in the Fraser Valley who have struggled with grief or hurts. She gave an interesting, detailed account of the publishing of her books, especially the last one, "Rainbows in the Valley"

The meeting was adjourned and lunch served.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

April 26, 1999, 7.15 p.m. @ Common room (Fred Moore)

The meeting had been postponed from April 19.

Chairman: Fred Moore.

Attendance - 14

Welcome: Fred Moore opened the meeting with prayer.

Devotional and prayer: by Ray Kollin. He spoke on rising above rejections or failures or obstacles. He gave personal illustrations to point out that some benefit can result.

Announcements:

The next meeting will be Monday, May 31. This will be the last meeting of this season. It will be a pot-luck meal. Jim Coggins, editor of The Herald will be the guest speaker.

The critique meeting will be Monday, May 10, 1999 @ residence of Julie Emblem @ 7:00 pm.

Announcement by co-ordinator Ingrid Shelton:

-A reminder to get submissions for the 1999 Anthology.

-Information about a writer's contest by "Writer's Digest" deadline May 31.

-Ray Kollin informed that he will have space at his table for the craft show and sale the second last week-end in October. This will be an opportunity to present books. He can use help in manning the table.

Guest speaker: Dr. June Temple gave a review of her latest book, "Stars on Earth". She has done extensive research on women of the Bible and put the stories in her book: Esther, Naomi, Sarah, Virgin Mary, Mary and Martha, Mary Magdalene. Her friend Alvina Klassen designed faces to fit the characters for the cover of the book.

Gladys Murray closed in prayer.

The meeting was adjourned and lunch served.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

May 31, 1999, 6:30 p.m. Seven Oaks Alliance Church Gym

The meeting started with a pot-luck dinner organized by Myrtle Everrt.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich & Fred Moore.

Attendance - 32

Devotion: Ingrid Shelton read the writer's version of
1 Corinthians 13.

Announcements: by Ingrid - a Writer's Retreat July 12 to 16

There will be a Poet's Corner @ the Berry Festival, July 9 and 10

The next meeting will be Monday, September 20 @ 7:15 p.m. . The critique
meeting will be Monday, June 7, 1999 @ the residence of Evelyn Thompson
@ 7:00 pm.

Guest speaker: Jim Coggins, editor of the Herald. He gave an insight
into publishing the Herald and challenged the group to keep on writing.
There is not enough writing targeting the unsaved. Articles need to
catch the attention of non-Christian readers.

Fred Moore thanked the speaker. He introduced the new people in
attendance and closed the meeting

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

September 20, 1999, 7:15 p.m. Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Fred Moore.

Attendance - 17

Devotion: Carol Loewan reading from Spurgeon and prayer

Announcements:

The next meeting will be Monday, October 18 20 @ 7:15 p.m. . The critique meeting will be Monday, October 4, 1999 @ 7:00pm @ the residence of Elma Hide.

Judy Suda presented the Anthology for final perusal.

Judy discussed the printer to be employed and the book pricing. Price set at \$5.00 per book.

Hand out on F.V Vignettes and pre-order form

Judy was thanked for all her work.

Ingrid Shelton asked for a co-ordinator for the writer's group to replace Ingrid. Discussion followed but no conclusion reached for now.

Ingrid introduced and interviewed Daniel Peterson. Daniel has written a seventeen chapter book on the subject of snow mobiling. He self published the manual.

Fred Moore closed the meeting with prayer.

Refreshments brought by Ingrid Shelton and Gladys Murray.

Tillie Robinson and Carol Loewen to bring refreshments for the October meeting

Secretary: Carol Loewen (substituting for Mildred Lindquist).

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

October 18, 1999, 7:15 p.m. Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

Attendance - 21

Devotion: Hilda Born -Theme Thanksgiving- Psalm 50-She expressed her thanks for having something published every month this past year.

Judy Suda reported that she was well pleased with the Anthology, "Vignettes". Orders can be placed at anytime. The price is \$5.00 each.

-The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 23 @ 7:15 p.m. The meeting will be a "reading" meeting in the library. Volunteers will read.

-The critique meeting will be Monday, November 1, 1999 @ 7:00pm @ the residence of Mildred Lindquist.

-A book signing is to take place at House of James, Saturday Nov. 13 from 11 am to 2 pm to promote "Vignettes" or a personal book. Volunteers offered to help.

-Ingrid Shelton advised group of a Writer's Conference in New Mexico, Nov. 9 to 13, 1999.

-She thanked Bert Warden for his frequent letters to the paper. And Judy Suda for printing the "Vignettes"

-She mentioned that someone from the Arts Council offered to come to speak to the group anytime.

-She reminded the group that a new coordinator will be needed by January.

Guest Speaker: Helen Lescheid, one of the original organizers of the writers group, spoke about the writing and publishing of her recent book, "Lead, Kindly Light". The book is the story of her mother's struggle to survive as a refugee with four small children.

Refreshments brought by Elma Hide and Evelyn Thompson.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Helen Lieschela
1979 May 26th organized 26 people met
write up by Hilda Boone

Decision Writers Workshop 1971
Edition — would be written
my mother story - 20 years later

1997 -

Book in June 1998 -

- God's timing is perfect.

what is the message? how what do you want to say.

E-mail - New York - Call Faith Fulmer - Call Faith Fulmer.

who needs this message? Target audience - Single mother

- Set priority time -

Marjorie Holmes - poem - keep me at it.

- Picked up few people to read it -

then to decide on a publisher. (Essence - Bellewille Cal)
will publish 250 books

e.g. Chaka Inq. 100 pages self published

189 pages

Best way is word of mouth.

now 20 million

Essence publishing

Fraser Valley Christian Writers
Library Reading, November 23, 1999

1. Mildred Lindquist: "*Gardening With Purpose*"
A real-life story of a family finding roots, searching for maturity, and overcoming obstacles just like plants in a garden.
2. Evelyn Thompson: "*Mote Byenor*"
A widow struggles to attain wholeness and peace after her husband's sudden death.
3. Judie Suda: "*Bye-Bye Dad*"
When her father dies suddenly, a daughter not only discovers a rich heritage, but also treasures the memories she gleaned when she penned her father's story during the last weeks of his life.
4. Hilda Born: "*What's the Good of a Garden?*"
There are blessings and miracles to be discovered in the planting of seeds as well as personal growth.
5. Helen Lescheid: "*The Landlady's Christmas Gift*"
A heart-warming story of a young woman's search for a special Christmas gift for her mother.
6. Bert Warden: "*Not Psychology, but Christ*"
Can science and education change a man's heart? Bert poignantly answers this question.
7. June Temple: "*Where is My Daughter?*"
A mother goes through the agony of searching for her missing daughter when a policeman comes to arrest the young girl.
8. Mary Epp: "*Booked -- for Life*"
How did reading become a meaningful part of life? A family discovers the joy of reading throughout a generation.
9. Fred Moore: "*He Died in My Place*"
The amazing story of a murderer whose life changed dramatically when he realized that Jesus died in his place.
10. Joy Neufeld: "*Christmas Surprise*"
Why did her favorite doll mysteriously disappear just before Christmas? A young girl finds the answer on Christmas Eve.
11. Carol Loewen: "*Blue Jay's Invitation*"
A family discovers the wonder of winter as seen through the eyes of a bird.



FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITERS' GROUP

The Annual Christmas Party & Pot-luck Dinner

will be held *December 9, 1999 at 6:30 p.m.* in the
Abbotsford Sevenoaks Alliance Church Gym, Gladwin Road.
Be sure to come for fun and food. Bring your family and/or a friend
and one wrapped gift each for the gift exchange.



Also those whose surnames begin with

A to H please bring: hot main dish/casserole

Those whose surnames begin with

I to M please bring: dessert

Those whose surnames begin with

N to W please bring: salad or appetizer

We look forward to seeing you
and enjoying the evening with YOU!



Myrtle Evertt
Social Convener

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

January 17, 2000, 7:15 p.m. Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

Attendance - 18

Devotion and prayer by Margaret Moore who read a story she received on the internet.

Judy Suda reported that all the "Vignettes" have been sold. It was decided to print more copies..

-The next meeting will be Monday, February 21 @ 7:15 p.m

The critique meeting, February 7, 7pm @ the residence of Ingrid Shelton..

-Ingrid Shelton advised group of a Writer's Seminar at Mount Herman.

-Guest speaker- Phil Hood, Managing Editor of the "Shantyman", which has been published since 1924. It is currently published in Abbotsford.

He gave his personal testimony. He has been a journalist for thirty years - with Shantyman for four years

He invited the group to send articles of 600 - 1200 words suitable for non-Christians. He distributed "Shantyman Publication Guidelines" to the group .

Refreshments brought by Mildred Lindquist and _____

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

February 21, 2000, 7:15 p.m. Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Ingrid Shelton.

Attendance - 16

Devotion and prayer by Tilly Robinson related how the Lord is working in her life and also in her son.. She read Job 13:15 "Though he slay me yet will I hope in him". Spoke about how Christians are being persecuted in countries like China and Nigeria. Since their retirement from the Mission field they have been serving the Lord at Seaboard Islands.

Judy Suda brought the extra copies of the "Vignettes" printed since the last meeting for distribution to those who had ordered more.

-The next meeting will be Monday, March 20 @ 7:15 p.m. 2000

-The critique meeting will be Monday, March 6, @ 7:00pm @ the residence of Fred and Margaret Moore (Place later changed to residence of Gladys Murray).

-Ingrid Shelton advised group of a Writer's Workshop in Edmonton, March 16 and April 28th in Calgary. She also offered literature. She asked everyone to give their E-mail address to simplify contacts with members. She showed her new copy of "Christian Writer's Market Guide", she made the comment that marketing is 80% of writing..

-Guest speaker- Ted Laskowski introduced his book, "Bright Horizons". His topic was, "How did I become a writer"? He had an urge to communicate and was encouraged by family and friends. The book is about his years of Missionary work in Brazil. His experience include a Bible study in the Portuguese language. He had a radio ministry. For this he had to prepare an eight minute talk.

Refreshments were served.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

March 20, 2000, 7:15 p.m. Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

Attendance - 23

The minutes of the last meeting were read

Icebreaker: Everyone introduce themselves and relate one unusual experience in traffic..

Devotion and prayer by Bert Warden. He read a poem that he wrote on a bus trip through the mountains. He commented on, "Jesus You Are All I Need"

Judy Suda reported there are extra copies of the "Vignettes" and suggested ways to use the extras.

-The next meeting will be Monday, April 17 @ 7:15 p.m. 2000

-The critique meeting will be Monday, April 23, @ 7:00pm @ the residence of Fred and Margaret Moore.

-Ingrid Shelton reported on upcoming workshops, seminars and contests. She mentioned that it is possible to get articles on-line. A Christian Writers group E-mail CWG@one.com. The E-mail addresses of members was distributed. Members will be advised re meetings on E-mail

-Guest speaker- Helen Lescheid, who has published books and articles gave a very informative talk the topic, "How to Write Query Letters".

Refreshments were served.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: May 15, 2000 @ 6.00 p.m. Pot Luck Supper @ Seven Oaks Alliance

Chairman: Fred Moore

Attendance: 29

Devotion: Helen Lescheid

Announcements: The next Meeting: September 18 @ Seven Oaks Alliance

Next critique meeting September 11, 2000

Judie Suba mentioned that she brought more Vignettes and suggested that everyone take some on consignment and pay later.

Program: Helmut Fandrich showed slides he took while travelling in South America

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

September 18, 20, 2000, 7:15 p.m. Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Fred Moore.

Attendance - 19

The minutes of the last meeting were read

Icebreaker: Everyone introduce themselves and related a summer trip.

Devotion and prayer by Fred Moore spoke on "What Writing Has Meant to Me"

Judy Suda brought extra copies of "Vignettes" and suggested ways to use the extras. She also spoke on what writing has meant to her, and the blessings received.

-The next meeting will be Monday, October 16 @ 7:15 p.m. 2000 at Seven Oaks Alliance (foyer)

-The critique meeting will be Monday, October 23, @ 7:00pm @ the residence TBA.

-Ingrid Shelton reported on current opportunities for articles for publication, such as:

"God Allows a U-turn" The deadline for the first publication was September 15 but true stories will be accepted for the next volume.

-Submissions for "Chicken Soup for the Volunteer Soul" can be sent on the internet to Lagana@Juno.com. Sample stories on WWW. Angelfire.com/DE/Lagana/Volunteersoul.HTML She also announced workshops in Edmonton Sept. 29-30 and another in New Mexico.

A short business meeting took place. Ingrid announced that she was resigning as co-ordinator because of her move to Vancouver. The programs have been planned until January. No one volunteered so this is to be a matter of prayer.

-Helmut Fandrich will continue as chairman. Fred Moore to be his back-up.

-Mildred Lindquist will continue as secretary.

-A sheet entitled, "Coordinator: Job Description" was distributed.

-Judie Suda and Eleanor Klassen will be responsible for "Information and Announcements"

-Gladys Murray will be responsible for Literature and Resources.

-Housekeeping duties will be rotated. Whoever brings lunch will be responsible.

-It was decided to continue meeting on the third Monday of every month. The meeting to be held in the foyer of the Seven Oaks Alliance Church

-Guest speaker- Linda Nathan. Her topic was "From the New Age to New Life" she answered questions after her testimony

Appreciation was expressed for Ingrid's capable leadership.

Bert Warden closed the meeting in prayer. Refreshments were served.

Secretary, Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

October 16, 2000, 7:15 p.m. Seven Oaks Alliance Church

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

Attendance - 22

The minutes of the last meeting were read

Icebreaker: Everyone introduce themselves and relate a unique way of travelling that each experienced.

Devotion and prayer by Fred Moore. He read a story about a lion in the forest from the Reader's Digest.

-The next meeting will be Monday, November 20 @ 7:15 p.m. 2000 at Seven Oaks Alliance (foyer)

-The critique meeting will be Monday, November 9 at the residence of Mildred Lindquist @7.00 p.m.

-The Christmas meeting will be on December 11th, at 6:30 p.m. To be held in the recreation room in the Condo where the Moores live or in the Alliance gym. It will be a potluck dinner.

-Ingrid Shelton read a moving poem published in the local paper written by a teenage girl re God not welcome in our schools.

-Guest speaker- Three authors informed us about recent books they have written:

Prisma Abaya - her book entitled, "Creative Journaling with God"

✓Joy Neufeld- "In The Footsteps of an Angel"

Paul Chamberlain- on Assisted Suicide. The title of his book is "Final Wishes" "A Cautionary Tale on Death, Dignity & Physician-Assisted Suicide". He will debate this topic with Svend Robinson October 26th at TWU at 7:00 p.m. He gave several points to help in the writing and publishing of a book.

Refreshments were served.

Secretary, Mildred Lindquist.

Mildred Lindquist

From: Fred Moore <fmmoore@home.com>
To: <Undisclosed-Recipient:>
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2000 2:52 PM
Subject: FVCW Meeting Nov. 20th

Our next meeting of the Fraser Valley Christian Writers will be this Monday, Nov. 20th, at 7:15 PM. Featured as our speaker for the evening will be Henry Teichrob, the manager of the Alliance Manor. Henry came to Canada from the USSR at the age of five with his parents. At the urging of his grandchildren, he wrote a book entitled "The Last Journey," capturing not only the story of his family but also that of the Mennonite people. A high school teacher and administrator until "retirement," Henry has also served in local politics as a school trustee and as a City councilor.

Henry will be speaking to us on the subject of motivation: "I've Got a Book In My Bones." This should be a real challenge and encouragement to all of us.

We are also hoping that June Temple will be able to share a bit of her experience at the Mt. Hermon Writers' Conference last April.

Please notice that our meeting will be held in the lounge of the Alliance Manor, which is the building just west of the Sevenoaks Alliance Church. Please park in the North parking lot of the church, and enter the manor lounge through the doors facing the church parking lot.

We would also ask that you be much in prayer for Ingrid. Her mother broke her hip, and after surgery has a small heart attack. Ingrid is spending most of her days and evenings at the hospital with her mother.

We hope to see you at our meeting.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

November 20, 2000, 7:15 p.m. Seven Oaks Alliance Manor

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

Attendance - 20

The minutes of the last meeting were read

-Icebreaker: Each one introduced themselves and related an experience they have had regarding elections.

-Devotion and prayer by Fred Moore. Fred read a chapter from the book, "Abundant Gifts" by Kathryn Palmer.

-The next meeting will be the pot luck Christmas party Monday, December 11 @ 6:30 p.m. 2000 in the recreation room in the Condo where the Fred Moores live, 32025 TimsAve..

-The critique meeting will tentatively be Monday, December 4. Location TBA

-Ingrid Shelton was absent due to her mother's illness- - no seminars announced.

-Recognition was given to several who had articles accepted for publication.

-Guest speaker-Henry Teichrob. He told some of his personal story that led to the writing of his book, "The Last Journey". He had been motivated by his grandchildren who were interested in reading his geneology. He also gave some pointers on how to overcome a "writer's block"

-Helmut Fandrich closed in prayer

- Refreshments were served.

Secretary, Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

Christmas Pot Luck Dinner

December 11, 2000, 6:30 p.m. Elmwood Manor (32025 TimsAve.and Clearbrook road)

-Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.(He distributed his latest book on his travels)

-Attendance - 37

-Devotion and prayer by Fred Moore.

-Games and Christmas carols were enjoyed.

-Readings by Hilda Born and Ingrid Shelton.

-Gift Exchange (a time of fun and laughter)

-The critique meeting for Monday, December 4 was cancelled.

-The next critic meeting will be January 8, at Mary Epps residence.

- The next meeting will be held on January 20, 2001

Secretary, Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP.

January 22, 2001 @ Seven Oaks Manor

-Chairman: Helmut Fandrich.

-Attendance - 17

-Devotion: Everyone participated by sharing legacy from parents.

-Prayer by Helmut Fandrich.

-The next critique meeting will be Monday, ~~January~~ 5 @ the residence of Gladys Murray.

- The next meeting will be held on February 26, in the Seven Oaks Manor

-Work Shops and Seminars: No specific announcement except the God Uses Ink upcoming in Ontario. A few of the members suggested some opportunities for articles in papers, such as Christian Week or on the web site. Cam Murdoch expressed concern that the local newspaper is biased about articles written from a Christian viewpoint.

-Speaker: June Temple reported on the conference at Mount Herman. She gave some helps on writing fiction books, as well as other books and articles. She has had several articles printed.

Refreshment were served.

Secretary, Mildred Lindquist.

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: February 26, 2001 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 17

Icebreaker: Everyone introduced themselves and related an occasion when they had a memory lapse that caused embarrassment.

Devotion: none

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be March 17th in the Seven Oaks Manor.
 - The critique meeting will be Monday, March 5 in the community Center of Seven Oaks Alliance. The purpose of the meeting will be to judge essays written by teens.
 - Workshops and Seminars announced by Ingrid Shelton
- She also gave the treasurer's report and asked for a volunteer to continue as treasurer. The balance in the Credit Union is \$460.00.
- Helmut Fandrich related that Henry Teichrob is trying to put together a group to write for older people to preserve their stories.

Hilda Born mentioned an article she had written several years ago which the Western Producer published. They will republish the article.

Bert Warden had an article published in the Abbotsford news just previous to Valentine's day.

Program:

Margaret Moore gave a book review on the book, "One Foot on the Border". The book is available in the public library. The book is about the settlement and development of the Sumas area. Her grandparents came to B.C. and settled in the area in 1880. The book includes the stories of those that lived in the area of the present Abbotsford and Sumas Prairie.

Refreshments were served

Secretary - Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: March 19, 2001 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 15

Icebreaker: Introduce yourself and tell about your family: where they are and what they are doing

Devotion and prayer: Fred Moore- God intends that we take time to rest. Matthew 11: 25-32. He underscored verse 28, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest".

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be April 16 @ 7.15 P.M. in the Seven Oaks Manor.
- The critique meeting will be Monday, April 9 @ Evelyn Thompson home.
- Workshops and Seminars can be checked out on E-mail.
- Gladys Murray reported on the writing contest. There was only one entry. It was sent back with suggestions for improvement.

-Violet Nesdoly, a visitor, mentioned one of her children's stories, which was published in a Seventh Day Adventist publication

Program:

Helmut Fandrich introduced his son, Dr. Martin Fandrich. After receiving his degree as an engineer he spent six months on a world-wide tour. He spoke about his journaling using E-mail. He sent the messages from internet cafes to his home address, as well as to friends. Thus when he arrived home he had a record of his travel. Writing style is changed when the communication is via E-mail.

Refreshments were served

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

*Countries visited: Australia, Tahiti, New Zealand
Japan, Taiwan, Thailand, Singapore, S. Africa*

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: April 16, 2001 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 16

Icebreaker

Devotion and prayer: No one prepared a devotion

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be May 24, 2001 @ 7.15 P.M. in the Seven Oaks Manor.

- The critique meeting will be Monday, May 7 @ Carol Loewen's home.

- Ingrid Shelton gave an update on Workshops and Seminars:

 - May 4 to 6 at Seattle Pacific University.

 - August 24 - 29 a Writer's Retreat in Maui

- Ingrid passed around a letter re: marketing articles. She also mentioned that it seems to be more difficult to get articles published as there is more competition. Shorter pieces of about 700 words are more readily accepted.

Helmut Fandrich asked writer's to share their successes and concerns.

Program:

Helmut Fandrich led a workshop on **Formula 1 Writing**. Everyone was supplied with a worksheet and guided through the process of using Formula 1 to write effective paragraphs and articles. He asked us to use the formula to write articles on plants. Interesting stories were told.

Refreshments were served

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: May 24, 2001 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 22

Icebreaker -

Devotion and prayer: Ted Laskowski. He chose to speak on WORDS. His reference text was Matthew 12:35-37. "For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks. The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him. But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned"

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be June 18th, 2001 @ 7.15 P.M. in the Seven Oaks Manor.

- The critique meeting will be Monday, June 4, 7.00 P.M. @ Ingrid Shelton's home.

- Ingrid Shelton gave an update on Workshops and Seminars:

 - Oregon: June 8-11

 - A writer's conference in New Mexico Oct. 16-20

- Fred Moore has a packet of information for anyone wishing to self publish a book.

- Phone (877) 833-1316 ext. 350 for information on Publishing, Promoting and Selling your book

- Eleanor Klassen told how records of immigrants can be located.

Program:

Members had been contacted by E-Mail to write an opening paragraph for a story. The paragraphs were critiqued at the meeting.

Refreshments were served

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: June 19, 2001 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 31

Icebreaker -Tell about a recent exciting episode in your life.

Devotion and prayer: Evelyn Thompson read a poem

Announcements:

-The next meeting is to be September 17th, 2001 @ 7.15 P.M. in the Seven Oaks Manor.

~~Mrs. Rushon is expected to be the speaker.~~

-The critique meeting may be on Monday, August 13, 7.00 P.M. @ Place TBA.

-Ingrid Shelton gave an update on Workshops and Seminars:

A mid Atlantic writer's conference in east.

-She reminded the group to get the Christmas stories as was announced previously. She said that she has found it increasingly difficult to get articles published.

- John Thompson showed his book which has just been published. It tells the story of his first 25 years. The book has 1040pages.

Program:

Doug Koop, editor of the Christian Week, gave some insight into his life. He asked us to consider why we write what we write. He pointed out we write for enjoyment, to educate or to edify. He spoke on the management of Christian News and future plans.

Refreshments were served

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: September 24, 2001 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 20

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be October 15, 2001 @ 7.15 P.M. in the Seven Oaks Manor.
- The critique meeting may be on Monday, October 22 @ 2.00 P.M. The meeting is to be at Evelyn Thompson's home.

Business:

- Ingrid Shelton announced her retirement, as she is now living in Vancouver.
- Finances: \$479.00 in the Fraser Valley Credit Union.
- Alvin Enns will be the new treasurer.
- Judie Suda asked for a volunteer to look after the remaining "Vignettes". She has 64 copies as well as 7 copies at the House of James.
- A discussion re the Social committee: Myrtle Evertt will be contacted regarding her willingness to remain as co-ordinator. A paper was circulated to be signed by volunteers to bring refreshments for the monthly meetings.
- Helmut Fandrich and Fred Moore will arrange topics for the regular meetings. They will welcome suggestions.
- Helmut asked for volunteers to prepare devotionals.

Program:

- ✓ Helmut gave instruction on "Formula 1 Writing- Turning Points". He gave 20 minutes for everyone to write their story using his outline. The program was concluded by each person sharing what they had written.

Helmut closed the meeting with prayer.

Refreshments provided by Ingrid were served

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: October 15, 2001 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 20

Devotional was given by Ray Kollin. His topic was "Hope and safety in Christ in difficult times"

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be November 19, 2001 @ 7.15 P.M. in the Seven Oaks Manor.
- The critique meeting will be on Monday, October 22 @ 2.00 P.M. The meeting is to be at Evelyn Thompson's home.

Business:

- it was moved, seconded and carried that Alvin Enns will be the treasurer for the Fraser Valley Christian Writers.
- It was moved, seconded and carried that Helmut Fandrich be the second signer.
- The account is in the Fraser Valley Credit Union.
- Myrtle Evertt was present and consented to continue as Social Committee co-ordinator..
- A discussion followed re a Christmas party. It was tentatively suggested that it be held December 10th at Heritage Valley, or the alternative in the club room at Moores. The Christmas party is to honor Ingrid Shelton for her contribution to the Writers Group.
- Norma Tomich Bulat was welcomed back after living in Windsor for ten years. She introduced her book, "Follow Your Rainbow", self published a few years ago.

- ✦ Eleanor Klassen mentioned that she was taking a correspondence course in writing for children.

Program:

- Hilda Born introduce the book she had co-authored with her husband entitled, " You Are Wherever You ~~Are~~ ^{Are}". It is a story of their extensive travels. She will give details about how it came about at the next meeting.
- Margaret Moore read an article giving helps on writing your own story.
- Helen Leschied followed the same theme. She used her own experiences to demonstrate how to write.

Helmut closed the meeting with prayer.

Refreshments provided by Evelyn Thompson and Mildred Lindquist.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: November 19, 2001 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor

Chairman: Fred Moore

Attendance: 19

Devotional was given by Ray Kollin. His topic was "Footprints"

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be December 10. This will be a Christmas potluck, @ 6:30 P.M. Location- Heritage Valley. Myrtle Evertt in charge. Directions will be sent Email.
- The critique meeting will be on Monday, November 26 @ 7.00 P.M. The meeting is to be at Alvin Enns home.
- The January meeting will be on January 21.

Business:

Treasurer Alvin Enns reported that the account for FVCW has been transferred to First Heritage Credit Union. The total \$469.85

It was suggested that every one write a few words of appreciation for Ingrid Shelton to be read at the December party which will be held in her honor.

Eleanor Klassen encourage us to write a letter re. The military chaplains are not allowed to mention the name of God and Jesus.

Charlene Friesen suggested writers send an article for publication to Chicken Soup on topics Christian Women's Soul and Midlife Soul.

Fred Moore mentioned the Shanyman publication for possible submission of articles.

Program:

-Hilda Born gave an interesting word picture of the various places that she and her husband have travelled. Their travels inspired her book, co-authored with her husband ***You Are Wherever You Go.***

Helmut closed the meeting with prayer.

Refreshments provided by Myrtle Evertt and Ray Kollin.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: January 2, 2002 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 22

Devotional; none.

Icebreaker: Everyone introduced themselves and each answered the question, "If you won \$10,000 what would you like to do with it?"

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be February 18.
- The critique meeting will be on Monday, February 25, @ 7.30 P.M. The meeting is to be at Charlene Friesen's home.

Business:

- Writers who have had something published recently. Alvin Enns and Mildred Lindquist in the Herald. Seven from the group in the Christmas edition of Pioneer News, published by HSBC Bank of Canada
- Mention was made of a video workshop telling how to get your work published?

Program:

✓ Les and Ruby Stobbe related their experience volunteering for two and a half years in Quito, Ecuador, in a guest house for visiting missionaries and others involved in Christian ministries.

Helmut closed the meeting with prayer.

Refreshments provided by Charlene Friesen and Tillie Robinson.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: February 18, 2002 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor lounge, 2580 Emerson.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 19

Devotional; Alvin Enns read a poem he has written.

Minutes read

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be March 18.
- The critique meeting will be on Monday, February 25, @ 7.30 P.M. The meeting is to be at Charlene Friesen's home.

Business:

-Writers who have had something published recently. Alvin Enns, Hilda Born, and Violet Neddoly.

Program:

Helmut conducted a workshop on story telling. Each of the members was asked to tell a story. He questioned everyone, previous to telling their story. Questions on:

The purpose in telling the story.

✓The title or topic.

The climax.

The conclusion.

The plan: how are you going to achieve your goal?

Tell Story. Proceed from general description(idea, thought). Then go into more and more specifics and details (concrete things, matter) in each part of your story (or paragraph). Most everyone had a story to tell, which resulted in an enjoyable exercise.

Helmut closed the meeting with prayer.

Refreshments provided by Margaret Moore and Mary Epp.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: April 15, 2002 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor lounge, 2580 Emerson.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 20

Devotional: no one prepared

Icebreaker; Everyone introduced themselves and told of an experience with snow since the meeting for March 18 was cancelled because of a snow storm

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be May 20.
- The critique meeting will be on Monday, May 27 @ 7.00 P.M. The meeting is to be at Carol Loewen's home.
- Helmut Fandrich gave information regarding seminars. Mention was made that Linda Hall, a member of God Uses Ink committee, is to be interviewed on Huntley Street to tell how to use Christian Fiction.

Program:

Script Writing by Sandy Helina. Sandy is a former community theatre actress and has helped direct. She was Talent Co-ordinator for a Christian Community Television Program, acted as the assistant Host/Producer.

Sandy shared what she had learned about writing for TV, using illustrations from her own play.

Helmut closed the meeting with prayer.

Refreshments provided by Hilda Born and Millie McConnell.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: May 20, 2002 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor lounge, 2580 Emerson.

Chairman: Fred Moore

Attendance: 18

Devotional: Margaret Moore substituted for Violet Nesdoly, who was unable to attend.

Icebreaker; Everyone introduced themselves and mentioned the last article or poem they had written.

Announcements:

- The next meeting is to be June 17. This is a tentative date for a pot-luck to be held at Heritage Valley. (Invitation by Myrtle Evertt)
- The next regular meeting will be Monday September 16.
- The critique meeting will be on Monday, May 27 @ 7.00 P.M. The meeting is to be at Carol Loewen's home.
- Fred gave the location and time for workshops and announced there is to be a Writer's Conference in Seattle September 20&21
- The Family Action Coalition encourages everyone to write the Minister of Justice re the age of consent legislation.

Program:

Sandy Helina summerized and distributed handouts on script writing.

Alvin Enns gave an interesting and helpful presentation on *Show, Don't Tell*. He explained the difference between an essay and narrative. He had everyone participate in an exercise to analyse the showing and telling in Dicken's *A Christmas Carol*

Fred closed the meeting with prayer.

Refreshments provided by Myrtle Evertt.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes of FVCW meeting held Monday, September 16, 7:15 p.m.

Present: 12

Chair: Helmut

Helmut had everyone introduce him/herself using the theme, "Highlights of your summer".

Announcements:

- a) next critique meeting - Monday, September 23, 7:00 p.m., at the home of Evelyn Thompson.
- b) next writers' meeting - Monday, October 21, 7:15 p.m.
- c) seminars (Fred) - American Christian Writers are having a writers' conference Sep 20-21 in Seattle
- d) transportation: Arlene Centerwall, who lives in Langley, has offered transportation to meetings for anyone living in Langley, Surrey, or White Rock areas.
- e) writing successes:
 - Bert Warden distributed copies of CHRISTIAN WEEK, a newspaper that published his article, "Say No to Same Sex Marriage."
 - Alvin Ens has completed his book, "Musings on the Sermon." It is done in poetry. Alvin also edited a "poet's potpourri" book
 - Tillie Robinson presented a book on depression written by ^{Al}Peter Un-Rau, "In and out of the Abyss."
 - Fred Moore has submitted to MACLEANS his article comparing "rights and freedoms" with "responsibilities."

Helmut introduced the speaker, the Rev. Albert Runge, who presented his biography, "A Brooklyn Jew Meets Jesus." He has sold out his first printing, ordered a second, and has already had several speaking engagements. He has also written a book, "Let's Put a Woman in Her Place." For this, he researched Bible women and studied the original language that helps us understand when the original Bible text means "man," "woman," or "humankind." He is also working on a book, "The Misunderstood God," a challenge to the theology of Calvinism. As well, he is preparing an article, "The Inaccessible Pastor." This relates the frustration of trying to reach one's pastor, in this age of voice-mail, receptionists, etc. He offers pastors suggestions for being more accessible to the people in their congregations.

A question period followed.

Helmut closed in prayer.

Refreshments were served.

Gladys Murray substitute for Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: October 21, 2002 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor lounge, 2580 Emerson.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 15

Icebreaker: Everyone introduced themselves and related any political experience involved in.

Devotional: Hilda Born read an article on lessons from a pumpkin.:

- The next meeting is to be November 18, 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor Lodge..
- The critique meeting will be on Monday, October 28th @ Alvin Enns home.

-Writing accomplishments:

- Alvin Enns wrote a book of "Poetry From The Community" He also announced that he has unretired himself and is now ready to tutor writing and editing writing.
- Hilda Born is writing devotions which she hopes to get published under the title, "Walking With Hope"
- Sandy Newstream reported on a retreat which she attended re writing script.

-Re the refreshments to be served it was decided that volunteers be responsible for bringing refreshments. Carol Loewen volunteered for the next meeting.

Program:

Al Un-Rau gave a review of a book he has written, entitled, "In And Out Of The Abyss" He related how his personal experience of deep depression resulting from a combination of ill health and traumatic occurrences in his life inspired him to write the book. He described the drifting toward the abyss, during the days of abyss, and after the abyss. During the depression he had support from a brother. He changed his eating habits and his life style. He found that telling his story has been most instrumental in the healing process. He hopes the book can help others who have similar problems. He is working on another book which he would like to sell through workshops.

Helmut closed the meeting with prayer.

Refreshments provided by Gladys Murray and.

Secretary: Mildred Lindquist

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: November 18, 2002 @ 7:15 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor lounge, 2580 Emerson.

Chairman: Helmut Fandrich

Attendance: 16

Icebreaker; Everyone introduced themselves and related any leadership role involved in, presently or in the past

Minutes: read and corrected..

Devotional: Mary Epp read "Psalm For A Morning Walk" which she had published in the Fraser Valley Vignettes

Business:

- The next meeting is to be December 16, in the Seven Oaks Manor Lounge, @ 6:30 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Manor Lounge. This will be the Christmas meeting and will be a pot-luck meal. Everyone should be prepared to bring a contribution to the program.(a reading or a game. Exchange gifts under \$5.00 value.

- Helmut suggested we give the "Vignettes" to our friends for a Christmas gift.

- The critique meeting will be on Monday, November 25, @ Carol Loewens home.

- The Group Leadership for 2002-2003 was determined. The attached page lists the positions and the persons chosen to fill them..

- Published articles.

- Fred Moore reported writing a letter to the Abbotsford paper which they published in part, leaving out the most important portion

Hilda both sent a picture to the Western Producer which they published.

Program:

June Temple gave a report of her recent visit to Siberia. She showed slides..

Helmut closed the meeting with prayer.

Refreshments provided by Carl Loewen and Alma Hide.

Record Keeper: Mildred Lindquist

Mildred Lindquist

From: "Fred Moore" <fmmoore@shaw.ca>
To: <Undisclosed-Recipient:;>
Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2002 11:55 AM
Subject: Fw: Valley Writers Group leadership

A special message from **Helmut Fandrich**:

Fraser Valley Christian Writers Group Leadership 2002-2003:

Email co-ordinator Fred Moore (604) 859 3737 <fmmoore@shaw.ca>
Chair Sandy Newstream 504 5381 <SNewstream@aol.com>
Vice chair Helmut Fandrich 807 9332 <helmut@coneharvesters.com>
Devotional co-ordinator Hilda Born 853 5196 <hjborn@rapidnet.net>
Social convenor Carol Loewen 853 6791
floewenis@shaw.ca

Record keeper Mildred Lindquist 855 3847 <philormil@Shaw.ca>
Critiquing co-ordinator Gladys Murray 852 2156 <G_Murray@telus.net>
Treasurer Alvin Ens 859 5171 <aiens@shaw.ca>

Christmas social in Sevenoaks Alliance Manor Monday, December 16 at 6:30p

- *Bring some potluck thing enough for you and your guest(s)
- *bring a wrapped gift under \$5 for each person in your party.
- *bring some sort of entertainment: a game, story, song, joke, skit.

Christmas food organizer is Tillie Robinson 852 4877

Thank you for contributing so much in the 15 years I've been chairing this group and for being so co-operative in filling the positions requiring attention in our group. Thank you Sandy for taking over.

Please feel free to email or phone me or Sandy for ideas on speakers or activities.

Helmut Fandrich

P.S. Note from Fred: I still haven't had replies from a number of you. Please be sure to let me know if you want to continue receiving notices re our FVCW. Thanks muchly, and God bless!

Minutes: FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S GROUP

Date: December 16, 2002 @ 6:30 p.m. @ Seven Oaks Community Center.

Chairman: ~~Helmut Fandrich~~ Sandy Newstream

Attendance: 20

Program:

A pot luck supper Christmas Party.

Several members contributed to the program

Helmut set up articles for a silent auction. Proceeds to go into the treasury.

A white elephant gift exchange, value of \$5.00 was enjoyed.

Record Keeper: Mildred Lindquist

Coordinator: Job Description

A. Program

1. Speaker

- Ask God what's going to happen at each writers' meeting
- After God gives direction (and He always has in the past) call the appropriate people, speakers, teachers, to ensure their presence at the meeting.

2. Venue

- Book the room at Seven Oaks Alliance Church for each upcoming writers' meeting. (Ask for Cheryl at the church office.)

3. Coordinate with

- a. Communications Committee: Provide information re the month's meeting (date, time, place, speaker)
 - Email Fred Moore with the info. He will forward it to those with Email address
 - Call the phoning committee to notify writers who don't have Email address
- b. Chairman: Call Helmut to make sure he's available. If not, call Fred.
- c. Social Coordinator: Call to make sure we have refreshments each time.

B. Information and Announcements

1. Receive writers' information and news from various sources and bring appropriate items to the writers' attention at each meeting. It usually comes by mail.
2. At each meeting
 - Make announcements: next meeting of writers' group, of critique group; writers' conferences, writing opportunities, contests
 - Draw attention to literature available
3. Each year, send information of our writers' group to Sally Stuart to be included in the next issue of Christian Writers Market Guide.

C. Literature and Resources

1. Maintain archives albums - press clippings, members' published works (tear sheets)
2. Keep sample copies of periodicals, reference books, etc.

D. Housekeeping

1. Keep box of staples: coffee, tea, sugar, whitener, napkins, plastic spoons, forks, etc.
 - Bring to writers' meeting each month. (We can't leave it at the church.)
2. Set up before the meeting.
3. Clean up after meeting.

* This might become part of the Social Coordinator's job, if we have one located close by.

E. Make sure everyone involved in any aspect of a writers' meeting will be and is present to fulfill duties. (Or you get to do it.)

Fraser Valley Christian Writers Name(s), Address, Phone #, PLEASE! (legibly!)

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2. EVELYN THOMPSON 33535 KING Rd #202 " V2S 6Z5 (604) 556-7258
3. Carol D. Loewen 3060 Charles Crt Abbotsford V2T 2W4 (604) 853-6791
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703 Clearbrook Road
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V2S 4N5

~~June 8, 1979~~

Dear

During our recent Christian Writers Conference on May 26th* at the Evangelical Free Church in Abbotsford, a number of people voiced interest in forming a local Christian writers chapter. Since we feel that this would be beneficial to all of us, we plan a meeting on June 19th to discuss the formation of such a chapter.

It will be an informal gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Shelton, 3120 Immel Street in Abbotsford on June 19th beginning at 7:30 p.m. (Phone 859-7530)

Mr. Deane Downey, English professor of Trinity Western College will give us a brief address.

In addition we invite much discussion and sharing of helpful hints. If you should need help with a manuscript, feel free to bring it along. There may be time for you to read it to all of us or perhaps you would prefer to select someone to read it privately.

We look forward to seeing you again.

Sincerely,

Helen Lescheid

Mrs. Helen Lescheid
Mrs. Ingrid Shelton

*Hilda Born has HSA News clipping
of this event*

C325 - 1909 Salton Rd.
Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 5B6
August 23, 1994

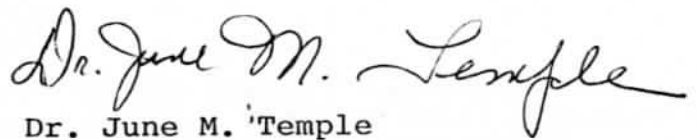
Dear Pastor:

"Buy Canadian", "Buy Local", "keep our money in Canada", are phrases often heard these days. How can these phrases possibly apply to Church Congregations?

We of the FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITER'S ASSOCIATION would like to inform you about good Christian literature recently written by British Columbia residents. Books not only written by people in Canada, but also the majority of which have been published here.

Enclosed is a list of books available and a short description of their content. Would it be possible for us to have a meeting with your congregation some Sunday in the fall, or winter, to share and have a book autographing? Please contact me at 852-0507 to make the arrangement for a meeting.

Yours in Christ,


Dr. June M. Temple

for

The Fraser Valley Christian Writer's Association

THE KING'S TREASURE CHEST

An adventure treasure hunt! This book is a curriculum guide from the book of Proverbs using the inductive Bible Study method. There are 30 lessons for children ages nine to twelve. These are in the form of an adventure by looking for treasures of Wisdom. The activities include Bible Stories, homework, Scripture memorization, and cross references. All of this gives a wider base in learning how to become wise.

Media Works Publisher, Abbotsford

Author - Prisma Abaya
311 - 33433 Switzer Ave.
Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 1Y9
phone 850-7300

contact author for
price

TWO TRACKS _ ONE GOAL

A book showing the inter-relationship between the Twelve Step Program of Alcoholics Anonymous, and the Christian Faith. It is designed to show the alcoholic who wants to understand the Christian Faith, and it's relationship to their Twelve Step Program. It is also for the Christian who wants to understand more about alcoholism, Alcoholics Anonymous and the Twelve Step Program of recovery. Also for Psychological and Christian counsellors, working with alcoholics and families of alcoholics.

Credo Publishing Company, Langley, B.C.

Author - Dr. Cal Chambers
35087 N. Sward Rd.
Missions, B.C. V2V 4J1
phone 820-2424

price \$12.95

ON THE EDGE OF THE RIFT

The biography is a story about Welles Devitt, his wife Edith, and their partnership with African people. Through their ministry many churches and 140 schools were planted in the South Rift Valley of Kenya. The story covers the period from 1930, when thousands of people were illiterate, to six years after the second world war, when Kenya became a peaceful, self-governing member of the British Commonwealth. A story of adventure, hard work, and the reward of following a vision.

University Printers Ltd., Langley, B.C.

Author - Edith Devitt
Apt. 211, 33535 King Rd.
Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 6Z5
phone 853-4365

price \$10.00

OUT OF RUSSIA

A biographic novel based on the life of Maria Karinska, a Russian prima donna who lived during the reign of Tsar Nicholas II. It tells of the lady's romance with, and marriage to Count Karinska; of the death of her husband and the deaths of her parents, slain by the Bolsheviks during the Russian Revolution; of her miraculous escape to Australia hidden in a coffin; of her immigration to Canada; of her dedication to Christianity including her presentation of hundreds of concerts of sacred song throughout North America; and finally, of her death while a resident student in a Bible College in British Columbia, Canada.

Emmanuel Publishing House Ltd., Surrey

Author - Myrtle Evertt

7755 Grand St.

Mission, B.C. V2V 3T6

phone 826-6173

hardback price \$24.00

CAT ON THE RUN

The story of a pampered Grand Champion Siamese showcat named Shalom who became lost on the streets of Toronto. His life there was filled with terrors until he met another sociable cat named Subway Pete. Shalom learned how to protect himself from people, and other cats. He also learned how to scrounge for food. Shalom found danger and adventure. He also learned about friendship and courage. A story for cat lovers from nine to ninety.

Windflower Communications, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Author - Gloria Guenther

20315 16th Ave.

Langley, B.C. V3A 4P4

phone 543-0480 534-9866
534

price \$ 5.40

THE GIFT OF LOVE

A delightful novel for young teens. Melodie, sent to a group home because of family difficulties, finds many of the kids in the home have emotional problems. How will she cope? To help in her struggle, she pours out her feelings to her pet cat. Despite the many frustrations and extreme hurts Melodie has to suffer, she is helped through crisis situations by caring people in her new setting.

Kindred Press - Winnipeg, Manitoba

Author - Gloria Guenther

20315 16th Ave.

Langley, B.C. V3A 4P4

phone 534-0480

price - \$ 5.40

APRON WITHOUT STRINGS

An autobiography about a girl growing up in Holland during the second World War with all of it's horrors. The deBruin family worked for the resistance in the fight against Nazi occupation of their country. For this there was the constant fear of the parents being caught and punished. The fear of separation of parents from children, the fear of bombing, and the fear of inhumane treatment from the soldiers. A fast-paced adventure!

Welch Publishing Company, Burlington, Ontario

Author - Helen Huizinga

6782 - 267th St.

Aldergrove, B.C. V0X 1A0

phone 856-6939

price \$ 5.00

OUT OF DEPRESSION AND BONDAGE

Anyone suffering from the symptoms of Depression would benefit from reading this book. It is an excellent textbook for Christian Councilors, Pastors, or any person who has contact with someone with the problem.

Heartbeat Publisher, Abbotsford

Author - Martha Martens

402 - 2580 Emerson

Clearbrook, B.C. V2T 4H3

Phone 859-5814

price \$4.00

TAKE MY WORD FOR IT

A book of unique, powerful testimonies written by real kids who have faced real problems. Here they share their stories and their relationship with God. They tell what the Lord has come to mean to them as their Saviour helped them through their struggles. Take my Word For It offers you a look at how kids have faced real life and survived.

David C. Cook Publishing Co., 1992

Author - Ingrid Shelton

2082 Geneva Ct.

Clearbrook, B.C.

Phone 859-7530

price \$ 6.00

BENJI BEAR'S ADVENTURE IN THE THUNDERSTORM

Benji Bear is afraid of many things like thunderstorms and the dark. On his way home from a birthday party, Benji not only gets caught in a violent storm but is also faced with a friends accident. Torn between running home and stopping to help, he remembers God's promises and Mama's explanation that a thunderstorm is just clouds bumping into each other because

that is God's way of cooling the air, he overcomes his fear and saves his friend's life.

Kindred Press, Winnipeg

Author - Ingrid Shelton
2082 Geneva Ct.
Clearbrook, B.C.

price \$ 2.00

BENJI BEAR'S SURPRISE DAY

Benji has a surprise for his best friend, Rusty, on his birthday. Through unexpected visitors, Benji learns to share with those in need but then finds that he no longer has a surprise for his friend. When Rusty finally arrives, Benji is himself surprised by the events of the day and learns that "all things work together for good to them that love God."

Kindred Press. Winnipeg

Author - Ingrid Shelton
2082 Geneva Ct.
Clearbrook, B.C. V2T 3Z2
phone 859-7530

price \$ 2.00

BENJI BEAR'S RACE

Benji Bear loves chocolate chip honey cookies. His little round body is witness to his poor eating habits and lack of exercise. With Mama's and his friend Rusty's encouragement, as well as a few tumbles, Benji finally realizes the importance of a healthy body.

Kindred Press, Winnipeg

Author - Ingrid Shelton
2082 Geneva Ct.
Clearbrook, B.C. V2T 3Z2
phone 859-7530

price \$ 2.00

GROWING IN HIS LIGHT

An autobiography about June Speake who grew up in a large city during the 1930's and 1940's. Everyday living, from washing clothes on a scrubbing board to spring and fall house cleaning are described through a child's eyes. Then experiences of her life as a teen-ager during the second world war are told. While June's parents were Christians she was a mischievous, trouble making child, who grew into a rebellious young person. Only the Grace of God could change her. A sometimes shocking, sometimes hilarious story.

Crown Publications, Burlington, Ontario

Author - Dr. June M. Temple
 C325 1909 Salton Rd.
 Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 5B6
 phone 852-0507

price \$ 8.95

BUSH TEACHER IN B.C.

June Speake Temple, now grown, and on the mission field in central British Columbia with her husband and four children. She is teaching at a high school and Bible School for Indian young people. There are many human interest stories woven into the autobiography about life for a family of six in a two room trappers cabin, and about discoveries into Indian culture, which includes the power of their spirit worship over their lives. The book was designed to produce emotions of laughter, tears, and a burden to bring native people to the Lord.

Welch Publishing Company Inc., Burlington, Ontario

Author - Dr. June M. Temple price \$ 8.95
 C325 1909 Salton Rd. both GROWING IN HIS LIGHT
 Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 5B6 and BUSH TEACHER IN B.C.
 phone 852-0507 for \$17.00

WHAT'S MISSING?

A yearly Devotional based on adoring God before going to prayer. It grew out of discussions about prayer with Christian College students from coast to coast in both Canada and the United States. Each day a term about an attribute or a personality of God are defined along with scripture verses and sacred songs given pertaining to the subject of the day. For fifty-two weeks prayer is begun by adoring and praising the Lord of the universe from His being the Almighty, through many other attributes, and on to His being our Saviour. A life changing Devotional based on God alone.

Heartbeat Publisher, Abbotsford

Author - Dr. June M. Temple
 C325 1909 Salton Rd.
 Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 5B6 price \$18.00
 phone 852-0507

FLY HIGH MY KITE

price \$ 6.50

Songs and poems for children

FIVE LOAVES AND TWO SMALL FISH

price \$ 8.95

FIRST A FIRE

price \$ 9.95

FOURTH WATCH

price \$ 9.95

Three volumes of Christian Poetry

Poems that will kindle your faith

touch a chord in your heart

empower to praise

enrich your devotion time
inspire the reader to consecration and service

Published by: Milton and Margaret Toews, Abbotsford

Author - Margaret Toews	price for
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Abbotsford, B.C. V2T 5M3	FOURTH WATCH
phone 852-8268	bought together \$15.00

OUR JOURNEY

A diary of a Caregiver...This autobiography gives the intimate journey of a caregiver whose wife, Ruby, was stricken by the devastating Alzheimers Disease. Watching her regress from a beautiful, strong woman into a child-like invalid, Dr. (Rev.) Kenneth Voght pens his deepest, personal thoughts and emotions as the two walk this road together. It is a journey of fear and hope.

Beacon Hill Press, Kansas City, Missouri

Author - Kenneth Vogt	
23-3292 Elmwood Dr.	
Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 6B2	price \$ 5.00
phone 852-1763	

TOUGH BUT TERRIFIC

An autobiography of personal and often humorous glimpses into life just after the turn of the century of an immigrant family of 9 children living on the prairies of Saskatchewan, Canada, and Kansas, U.S.A. The father died suddenly leaving the widow to hold the family together and make a living. A story of faith and courage.

Published by Dr.(Rev.) Kenneth Vogt

Author - Dr.(Rev.) Kenneth Vogt	
23-3292 Elmwood Dr.	
Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 6B2	price \$ 5.00
phone 862-1763	

THE RYDER

David and Jessica have just arrived at their grandparents farm in the Cariboo. Previously they welcomed these visits with great enthusiasm but this time is different. Things have changed without warning, and through a series of bizarre events they find themselves involved in a most unusual and exciting adventure in the land of Antoch: a land where dreams do come true, and life is never what you expect. Will Jessica escape from the lions den? What will happen to David, trapped high-up on the

treacherous mountain, alone face to face with a huge mountain cat? What about the Rhyder? Who is this mysterious person who affects everyone he touches, and everyone he meets?

Heartbeat Publisher, Abbotsford

Author - Karrie Wachsmann
3712 Dunsmuir Way
Abbotsford, B.C. V2S 6J2
phone 852-3761

price \$ 9.95

MORE THAN A NUMBER BOOK

An educational, enjoyable full color picture book for preschoolers, first and second graders. The author, and illustrator Helen Dirksen, try to show how numbers occur in nature, and in our man-made surroundings. The numbers go to twelve.

e.g. Number 4

God created four
Four legs on a giraffe
Four wings on butterflies

We can count to four
Four corners on a sandbox
Four sides on squares

Kindred Press Publisher, Winnipeg, Mb.

Author - Selma Hooge
phone 823-4169

price \$8.50

COUNTING MY FRIENDS

Delightful, cartoon-like illustrations by Michael Martchenko make this a "fun book" for the Kindergarten crowd. The book uses rhyming couplets to teach the addition of one.

i.e. Two friends and I make three
We run and climb a tree

Gage Publishing house, Agincourt, On.

Author - Selma Hooge
phone 823-4169

Price \$5.00 plus postage

FRASER VALLEY CHRISTIAN WRITERS GROUP

December 16, 2002

Highest Bidders for silent auction.

Silent Auction Bid

kerchief/shawl

Name

Bid

2.00

Doreen.

Silent Auction Bid

Anita Brunski oil painting

Name

Bid

Fred LOEWEN

\$30

Silent Auction Bid

candle

Name

Bid

5.00

Hilda Born

Silent Auction Bid

two tea towels

Name

Bid

3.00/2

Carol
Doreen

Silent Auction Bid

salt shaker

Name

Bid

RON GRAY

\$5.00

Silent Auction Bid

photo frame

Name

Bid

Mildred 5.20

Silent Auction Bid

sweat shirt

Name

Bid

Silent Auction Bid

Knitted slippers with doll

Name

Bid

Hilda
Born

5.00

Silent Auction Bid

Anita Brunskill oil painting

Name

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Jobs for the FV Christian Writers Group

Please volunteer for one of the following positions. For all others, please write down the name of person you would like to look after this job. *November 18 2002*

1. chairman (of 6 meetings Jan- Sept 2003)
2. vice chairman (keep email addresses up-to-date and send out email meeting notices)
3. meeting co-ordinator—(help select and arrange for 6 speakers)
4. devotional co-ordinator — (for 5 meetings)
5. social convenor— (5 refreshments)
6. person to arrange Christmas social
7. treasurer (Alvin Enns has volunteered)