

Parish Resource Center of Long Island Rocky Point



Annual Report 2006 - 2007

The **Parish Resource Center of Long Island** is a non-profit, non-denominational organization dedicated to working with congregations to make any task easier and results more rewarding. Trained staff support, equip, and inspire clergy and laypersons for leadership and service in their faith communities through consultation, collaboration, resourcing and training.

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Financial Information

2006 –2007 Subscriber Information

63 Subscribers

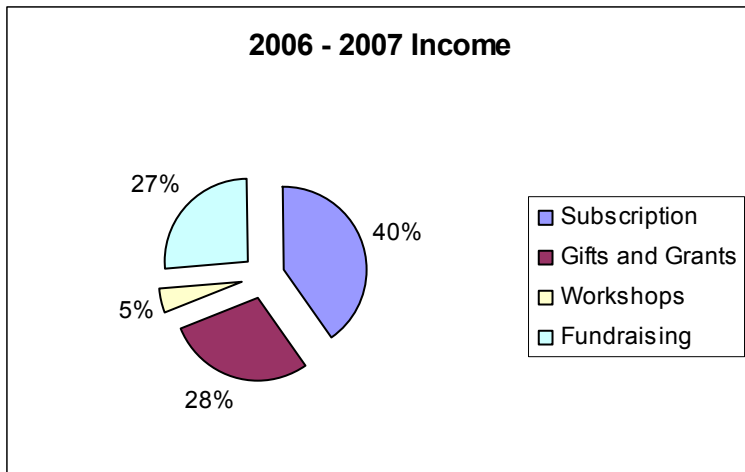
7 Denominations

1,680 Resources checked out

61 different Churches

548 Consultations

72 different Churches



2006 –2007 Donor Information

Over 270 donations from
Individuals
Churches
Foundations

2006 –2007 Fundraising Information

The Parish Resource Center Thrift Shop, in its 9th year, is still our largest fundraiser. Open from April through October, it is staffed by a wonderful group of volunteers and supported by our Board of Directors.

Our Third Annual Holiday Bazaar, thanks to our Board of Directors, was again successful. We feature fairly traded handcrafted items from around the world and lots of Holiday Spirit.

This year we introduced **igive.com** an online shopping site where every purchase benefits the Parish Resource Center.

Friends,

I am very pleased and proud to report that the Parish Resource Center continued to provide superior service to our subscribing congregations in 2006-2007. Our success results from the efforts of many dedicated people who routinely go beyond the call of duty – Charlaine, our executive director, and our consultants, Nancy, Debbie, Kay, Yuri, Rita and Jeanne. I thank them for their skill, energy and creativity and for making the Parish Resource Center a colorful, warm and inviting place. I would also like to thank my fellow board members for their work, as well as the Thrift Shop staff who volunteer their time and talents on Saturdays in the spring, summer and fall to provide an important source of income for us.

Additionally, the Parish Resource Center tries to meet the needs of our community by sponsoring a wide variety of workshops throughout the year. Some of the workshops this year concerned practical issues, such as church marketing, church governance and church hospitality, to name a few. Other workshops were more spiritual or worship oriented and dealt with faith imagery and healing prayer. We also started a divorce support group and had “roundtables” for youth leaders and for people interested in vacation bible school. In the spring we had a weekend workshop called Sing and Ring, in which singers and bell choir members from many churches practiced their skills and then combined their talents in a culminating concert, held at Rocky Point Lutheran Church. The setting was beautiful and the music was great. I thoroughly enjoyed it!

In terms of fundraising, the Thrift Shop, operating on Saturdays from April into October, continues to be an important source of income. Our holiday bazaar fundraiser was very successful, thanks to Charlaine’s direction and the support of our consultants, board members, and Thrift Shop volunteers. Everyone had a good time and we made a nice profit.

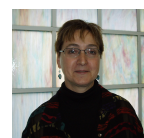
In November of 2006, Charlaine and I attended the 30th anniversary celebration of the founding of the Parish Resource Center in Lancaster, PA. The celebration, which was delightful, included workshops and meetings concerning the future of the Parish Resource Center. Sharing thoughts and ideas with the board presidents and executive directors of the other Parish Resource Center affiliates was very beneficial. We continue to network through monthly teleconferences.

Looking ahead to 2007-2008, board development and fundraising will be a major focus. With the recent addition of our new director of development, Doris, we will be seeking to secure more grant money and increase our subscriber base. We plan to add new board members, make some changes in our board meeting times, and establish board committees. We are presently planning an even larger holiday bazaar for December and we look forward to that. I anticipate a very interesting and exciting year!

Robert Roehrig,
President Board of Directors



Charlaine Apsel
Executive Director

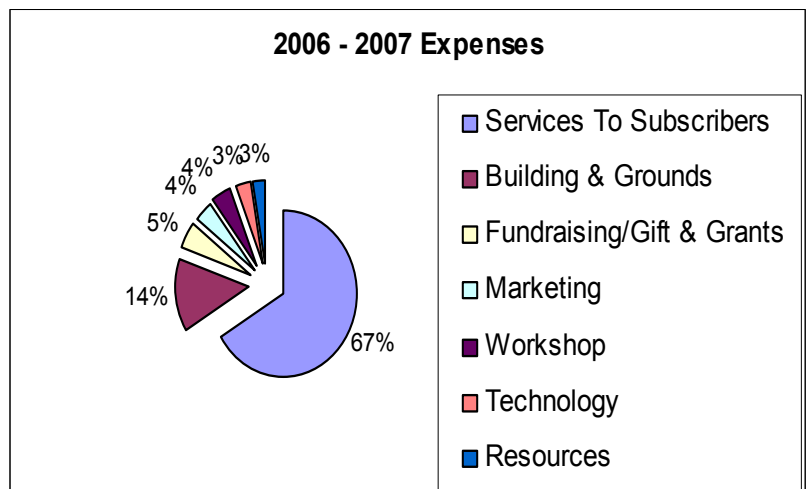


Resources

Along with direct consultations and workshops, our resources are the reason many subscribers come to the Parish Resource Center.

Last year, even with a limited budget, the PRC acquired 559 new resources:

Videos
Puppets
DVDs
CDs
Banners
Books



Service to Subscribers

When congregations subscribe to the Parish Resource Center, they will receive the support of our consultant staff at no cost. People visit, call or e-mail the center with many different questions; we call these “service requests.” All our consultants review each of these questions. Each consultant possesses specialized skills, but all consultants have a wealth of experience in multiple facets of church life. They are trained to listen and are expert in helping each person find the answers to their questions. Our consultants are dedicated to making any task easier, the result more rewarding. Without our enthusiastic and dedicated staff the PRC would not be able to answer questions, check out resources, make banners or run a workshop.

Meet the Staff



Yuri Ando

Education: Union Theological Seminary, MDiv; Luther College; Kinjo Gakuin College (Japan)

Experience: Pastor; Gestalt Pastoral Care(Gestalt Growth Work, Spiritual Companioning and Prayer for Healing); Retreat leader; Church School teacher; Youth Group leader; Confirmation class; Camp counselor; English teacher



Jeanne Baum

Education: Union Theological Seminary, MDiv; SUNY Stonybrook MA in Sociology, UMass BA Edu. and Sociology

Experience: Retired Pastor of Old South Haven Presbyterian Church, yoked the last three years of pastorate with Brookfield Presbyterian; fair housing counselor for Long Island Housing Services; nursery school teacher and director.



Rita Dlug

Education: Molloy College, BA History/Political Science; Pastoral Formation Institute, Lay Formation and Youth Ministry Certification, Diocese of Rockville Centre; National Certification of Youth Ministers, USCCB

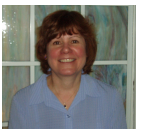
Experience: Youth Minister, St. Joseph the Worker, East Patchogue; Youth Minister and Religious Education Coordinator, St. Agnes RC Church, Greenport; VBS Director, Greenport Ecumenical Ministries; Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, St. Louis the Montfort



Nancy Hall

Education: SUNY Stonybrook, MA in English; Coker College BA in English. Experience: Associate Professor of English (retired), Suffolk County Community College;

Experience: Coordinator of RCIA program, Infant Jesus RC Church; Facilitator for Women’s Group, Infant Jesus Church, Lecturer and Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist; volunteer docent, Sagamore Hill National Historic Site, Oyster Bay



Debbie Kolacki

Education: Wagner College, BA in English, presently enrolled in web-based training program developed by the Department of Religion and Philosophy at Columbia College leading to certification as a Christian educator in the UMC

Experience: Church Librarian, Education Committee Chairperson, Sunday School Superintendent, Council on Ministries Chairperson, children’s Sunday School and VBS teacher, *Disciple* and other adult studies leader.



This has been a year of staff changes. We started this year without Sue Steares our Senior Consultant. Sue retired at the end of June 06 after sixteen years at the Parish Resource Center. In June of 07 Kay Shockly retired after five years. Even though we see and hear from them frequently, we miss Sue & Kay.



We are blessed to have Rev. Jeanne Baum and Rita Dlug become members of our staff. Jeanne had been a consultant early on at the PRC and as a retired pastor she was available to join us again. Rita has been a frequent visitor and user of the Center’s services as a Youth Director and Christian Educator. Both new consultants were able to jump right in!

PRC Workshops

The Parish Resource Center is proud of our workshop presentations. Our events are more than an income source. These workshops introduce the Center to non-subscribing congregations. Events are held in many locations in Suffolk County to reach the widest audience.

We also partner with other organizations to provide the best possible events. Health Choices in Life's Most Challenging Times was sponsored as a community service by Good Shepherd Hospice, the Parish Resource Center in Rocky Point, the Common Good Committee of Infant Jesus Parish in Port Jefferson, the First United Methodist Church of Port Jefferson, and the First Presbyterian Church of Port Jefferson.

This year the Parish Resource Center sponsored its first Sing & Ring Festival. 50 Ringers and 40 Singers from 12 congregations joined together for a two day learning and performing experience. Many people are already asking if we could do something like this again next year

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2006 - 2007 WORKSHOPS		LEADER
Treasurer 101		John Litke
Narrative Budget: Motivating Givers for the Mission		Bob Baum
Evangelism: A Starting Place		Rev Bob Fritch
Godbearing: Souttending for Youth		Deacon Glenn Adone
Hospitality & the Church		Karla McKenzie
Year Round Stewardship		Bob Baum
Children's Worship		Don Kolacki
Church Governance		John Litke
Sunday School Teacher Training		Nancy Hall & Debbie Kolacki, PRC consultants
Health Choices in Life's Most Challenging Times		Staff from Good Shepherd Hospice
Faith Scrapbooking		Kay Shockley, PRC Consultant
Marketing for the Church Effective Outreach		Rev Bob Fritch
Faith Imagination Prayer - Lenten workshop		Rev Yuri Ando, PRC Consultant
Sing & Ring Festival		Rev Elaine Kirkland & Carol Roman
Freedom to Be You - A Mini Retreat		Rev Jeanne Baum, PRC Consultant
Natural Church Development		Karla McKenzie
On Going Support & Study Groups		
Healing Prayer - A 6 week study group		Rev Yuri Ando, PRC Consultant
Divorce Support Group		Rev Jeanne Baum, PRC Consultant
Roundtables		
Fun Fundraising Youth Groups		Kay Shockley, PRC Consultant
Un-Halloween for Sunday School		Rev Yuri Ando, PRC Consultant
VBS Preview & Planning		Debbie Kolacki, PRC consultants
Total Events offered 21		
Total Attendance 322		
11 Denominations/59 Churches/8 Different Locations		