

Children's Literature
Comprehensive Database

Staff Reviewer (2003-)

The Shy Librarian
67 Van Buren Avenue
West Hartford, CT 06107-3051

Contributing Reviewer, *The Shy Librarian* (2000)

McGraw-Hill
Allyn & Bacon
Brown & Benchmark
School Library Journal

Textbook Review Analyst (2004)
Textbook Review Analyst (2002)
Textbook Review Analyst (1995)
Reviewer, *Adult Books for Young Adults* (1995)

Salem Press
Suite 720
150 South Los Robles Avenue
Pasadena, CA 91101

Contributing Author: *Masterplots II*, essay on *Emily Dickinson, Her Letter to the World*
(1993)
Contributing Author: *Masterplots II*, essay on *The Bronze Bow*
(1992)

Liberty University
Lynchburg, VA

External Degree Program: Videotaped instruction,
worktext preparation
(1988)

Timberlake Christian Schools
Forest, VA 24551

Language Arts Teacher, grades 6 and 7
(1980-1985)

Longwood Avenue Christian
School
Bedford, VA 24523

Elementary School Teacher, grades 3-5
Daycare Supervisor
(1975-1980)

Bedford County Department of
Social Services
Bedford, VA 24523

Juvenile Probation Officer
(1969-1970)

Bedford County Public Schools
Thaxton Elementary School
Bedford, VA 24523

Teacher, grades 3 and 4
(1965-1967, 1968-1969)

Teaching Certificate Endorsements:

Elementary (K-8)

Publications:

Core Collection for Children and Young Adults (Scarecrow Press, 2008)

Crispin Cross of Lead: A Study Guide (Progeny Press, 2005)

Redwall: A Study Guide (Progeny Press, 2003)

Young Adult Poetry: A Survey & Theme Guide (Greenwood Press, 2001)

Contemporary Christian Authors (Scarecrow Press, 2000)

Core Collection for Small Libraries (Scarecrow Press, 1997)

Professional Affiliations:

Association of Christian Schools International
Kappa Delta Pi (International Education Honor Society)
National Council of Teachers of English
Children's Literature Association

Recent Accomplishments in Education:

“Christian Fantasy Literature” course accepted as English 360

Appointed, Who's Who in America, 2008

Appointed, Who's Who in the World, 2007

Attended, Center for University Excellence Workshops: “If I Only Had Half a Brain: The Neurology of a Freshman Brain;” “It's All about You: A Dandelion Lesson;”
“Using LibX to Find Research Sources;” “Fairest Lord Jesus, Beautiful Savior;” “Worldview and Christian Literature;” “Getting Started with Office 2007;” “New Molly Training;” “Getting Published: The Fundamentals” (2008)

Attended, Center for University Excellence Workshops: “Morocco/Islamic Visit;” “Early Christian Art in the Catacombs;” “Introducing the Liberty Digital Commons;” “Faculty Evaluation Portfolios;” “Laptop Training for Faculty T60s,” (2007)

Attended, Center for University Excellence Workshops: “Building Our Faith;” “Sun Sense: Tips on Being Safe in the Sun;” “Blackboard 7.0;” “And God Said—Integrating Biblical Truths with the Disciplines;” “The Scribe in the Ivory Tower: Turning What You Know into a Published Book;” “How Shall We Then Teach? Linking Spirituality and Educational Practice;”

“Constructing Successful Writing Assignments;” “Jesus Christ, The Truth;” “Mentoring III-Nehemiah, An Anatomy of Ministry;” “Naturalism, Humanism, & Theism;” “Learned Helplessness,” (2006)

Presented, ACSI Conference, Greensboro, October 2006

Attended Literature and Christianity Conference, Liberty University, March 2006

Attended ACSI Conference, Greensboro, February 2006

Co-creator, “Christian Fantasy in Christian Culture,” English 400, Pilot course, Fall 2006

Appointed, Empire Who’s Who of Women in Education, 2005-2006

Attended VATE Conference, Roanoke, October 2005

Attended, Center for University Excellence Workshops: “Osteoporosis;” “A Historical Overview of Our Christian Worldview;” “Security Awareness;” “Academic Integrity;” “Search like you Mean It: Harnessing the Power of the Google Search;” “Assignment Manager;” “Improving Your Blackboard Course Structure,” “Copyright Basics for College Faculty,” 2005

Presented: “Award Winning Children’s Literature,” 2005

Attended Liberty University Christian Writer’s Conference, October 2005

Appointed, Who’s Who in America, 2002-2005

Appointed, Who’s Who in American Education, 2005

Served as member, Christy Award Committee, 2001-2004

Panel Member, “Relationships,” FRSM 101, Liberty University, August, 2005

Presenter, Association of Christian Schools International, January 2004

Presenter, Piedmont Area Reading Council, Lynchburg, November 2002

Nominated for Liberty University Modern Day Hero Award, April 2002

Attended Liberty University Library Writer’s Conference, Lynchburg, November 17, 2001

Advisor of the Year, Liberty University, 2000

Recipient of NACADA Certificate of Merit in Advising, 2000

Appointed, Who’s Who in America, 2000

Presenter, Association of Christian Schools, Early Childhood Conference, High Point, North Carolina; Lynchburg, Virginia; Leesburg, Virginia, Spring 1999

Recipient of NACADA Certificate, Faculty Advising Training, Spring 1999

Attended, Piedmont Area Reading Council Conference, Randolph Macon Women's College, Lynchburg, Virginia, April 10, 1999

Attended Information Technology workshops Word '97, Windows Basics, Network Concepts 1 and 2, Spring 1999 and Outlook, Fall 1998, Liberty University, Lynchburg

Attended, INFT 101 Modular, Fall, 1997, Liberty University, Lynchburg

Attended, Evelyn Wood Reading Dynamics Seminar, Lynchburg, October 1998

Attended, Appalachian Teacher's Network Conference, Radford, September 1998

Attended, Technology Workshop demonstrating Ebscohost and First Search, Liberty University, Lynchburg, September 1998

Instructor, FRSM 101 (Freshman Seminar), Liberty University, Lynchburg, 1991-2002

Presenter, workshop in study skills, "Reading Rate and Comprehension," Liberty University, Lynchburg, 1995-2004

Served on panel "Teaching the Gifted Child," Graduate modular, Liberty University, Lynchburg, July 1998

Appointed, Who's Who in the South and Southwest, 26th Edition, 1998

Co-Presenter, ACSI Convention, "A Values Approach to Children's Literature," and "Using Christian Literature in the Classroom" (with Rachel Schwedt), Greensboro, NC, January 1998

Attended, Technology Modular, INFT 101, Liberty University, Lynchburg, August 1997

Member, Library Committee, Liberty University, Lynchburg, 1997

Attended Liberty University Library Writer's Conference, Lynchburg, October 1997

Co-Presenter, Home School Convention, "A Values Approach to Children's Literature" (with Rachel Schwedt), Roanoke, 1997

Mentor to Mrs. Laurie Nutter in creating Adolescent Literature, English 400-, 1996-97

Presenter, Graduate class workshop, "Literature Across the Curriculum," Liberty University, Lynchburg, 1996

Presenter/Guest Lecturer, "The Best of Adolescent Literature," Sweet Briar College, 1996

Member Academic Freedom Policy Committee, School of Education, 1996

Member, state selection committee for Jefferson Cup Award, December 1995

Attended, Teaching for Success Workshop, Roanoke, 1995

Presenter, PARC (Piedmont Area Reading Council), "Young Adult Novels Set in Virginia," Liberty University, Lynchburg, 1995

Attended, Children's Literature Workshop, University of Virginia Extension, Abingdon, 1995
Secretary, Library Committee, SACS Self Study, 1995

Member, General Education Committee, Liberty University, Lynchburg, 1992-1995

Attended, Children's Literature Conference, University of Virginia, Southwest Center, Abingdon, 1995

Presenter, ACSI (Association of Christian Schools International), "Jesus Loves the Little Children of the World," Liberty University, Lynchburg, 1995

Presenter, PARC (Piedmont Area Reading Council), "Folktales, Give Them Roots, Give Them Wings," Lynchburg, 1994

Attended, Appalachian Teachers Network Conference, Radford University, 1994

Attended, Children's Literature Conference, University of Virginia, Southwest Center, Abingdon, 1994

Attended, "Evaluating Literacy Programs and Instruction," Virginia Department of Education, Lynchburg 1994

Featured Speaker, PARC (Piedmont Area Reading Council), "The Importance of Multicultural Literature, 1994

Contributor, *Library News*, Vol. I, "Christian Historical Fiction," Winter 1994

Attended, VATE (Virginia Association of Teachers of English) Conference, Roanoke, 1993

Presenter, PARC (Piedmont Area Reading Council), "Language Arts and Social Studies - Perfect Partners," Lynchburg, 1993

Contributor, *Library News*, Vol. II, "Christian Historical Fiction," Fall 1993

Attended, Children's Literature Conference, East Carolina University, Greenville, SC, 1993

Presenter, PARC (Piedmont Area Reading Council), "Bibliotherapy: Grades 4-8," Lynchburg, 1992

Co-Creator, Psychology Seminar, 3 hour credit course--Bibliotherapy: Counseling and Literature, Liberty University, Lynchburg, Fall 1992

Speaker, Fall Workshop VLA (Virginia Library Association) District Meeting, "Young Adults Today: From Hinton to Wells," Rustburg, 1992

Contributor, *VSRA News* (Virginia State Reading Association), Children's Book Corner, Winter 1992

Contributor, *VSRA News* (Virginia State Reading Association), Children's Book Corner, Spring 1992

Presenter, ACSI (Association of Christian Schools International) Workshop, "Teaching Values Through Literature," Williamsburg, 1991

Contributor, *VSRA News* (Virginia State Reading Association), Children's Book Corner, Fall 1991

Presenter, workshop, Jefferson Forest Middle School, "Must Read Adolescent Literature," Forest, 1990

Presenter, PARC (Piedmont Area Reading Council), "Teaching Values Through Literature," Altavista, 1990

Presenter, CEAI (Christian Educators Association International), "Teaching Values Through Literature Based Reading Programs," Liberty University, Lynchburg, 1990

Presenter, ACSI (Association of Christian Schools International), "Storytelling: A Key to Classroom Communication," Williamsburg, 1990

Facilitator, S/TAR (Students and Teachers as Readers), Liberty University, Lynchburg, 1991-1994

Community Service:

Judge, Young Authors Contest, 2003-2004

Judge, Gifted and Talented Writing, Jefferson Forest Elementary, 2003-2006

Church Service:

Assistant Facilitator, Beth Moore Bible Studies, 2006-

Library Committee, Beulah Baptist Church, 2006-

Nursery Worker, Beulah Baptist Church, 2006-

Choir Member, Flat Creek Baptist Church, Lynchburg, 2000

Creator of Reading Forum, Flat Creek Baptist Church, 2001

Facilitator, in-home Bible Study, 1991-1993