

Biographies

Rich Bolin—is a preacher-storyteller who squeezes folktales and personal stories into his sermons as often as possible. He believes in the power of story to cross the boundaries of time, place and culture ... and he is looking for places to tell stories that don't fit into any of his sermons.

Leonard Ellis—composes music, plays piano, dances waltzes, paints pictures, tells stories, animates films, bakes bread and plants seeds. Visit his website <http://www.artkitchen.com> to discover more about him.

Steven Henegar—celebrates the everyday and the fantastic in vibrant traditional and original stories that call up the experiences and feelings that connect us all - truth and lies for all occasions. www.stevenhenegar.net

Padraic Keohane—has been creating stories since he was a child (such as how the lamp got broken). He now uses his stories to take others to the edge of their imaginations. www.dreamwater.org/slyboots

Audrey Kopp—fortunately found Community Storytellers as she ended her career as a math teacher. Now she is busy telling stories and teaching storytelling. She delights in finding many versions of one story and often practices her version while hiking locally.

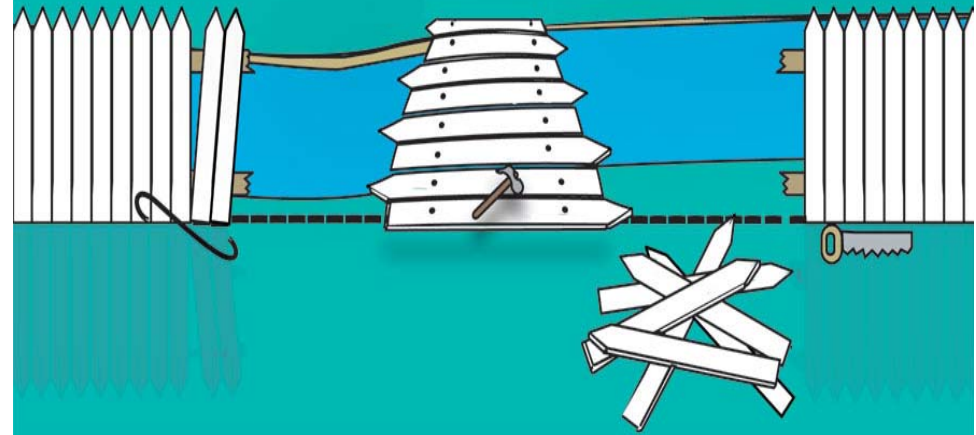
Barbara G. Wong—shares her love of story in timeless tales filled with humor and wisdom - tales that transport her listeners to that special place with no cultural borders, where we come to understand ourselves as well as others - tales that speak to the hearts of young and old alike.

Extreme Klezmer Makeover—plays traditional European folk music and original klezmer music featuring Joellen Lapidus on clarinet and accordion; Gee Rabe playing accordion and guitar; Ross Levinson on violin, and Dan Dungan on bass. Their goal is to bring joy, celebrate life, document life and uplift life through song. <http://www.extremeklezmer.com/>

Culver-Palms United Methodist Church
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Culver City, CA

The Culver-Palms Storytelling Project
Presents

Connections



An Evening of Music and Story

April 27, 2008

Connections

Program

Performers in Order of Appearance

Pre-show music—Extreme Klezmer Makeover

Welcome—Rich Bolin

Audrey Kopp

Padraic Keohane

Leonard Ellis with musicians Karen Golden, Mary Ann and Walter Sereth

Steven Henegar

Barbara Wong

Extreme Klezmer Makeover

Rich Bolin

Closing—Richard Bolin

The performance will run seventy minutes without intermission.

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In its 27th year, Community Storytellers provides adults with the opportunity to share and listen to stories, traditional, original and personal. They invite you to join them the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Culver-Palms United Methodist Church. For more information, contact 310.823.7482.

ABOUT THE SERIES

The Culver-Palms Storytelling Project arose from Pastor Rich Bolin's love of stories and storytelling and his suggestion that Culver-Palms United Methodist Church collaborate with Community Storytellers on a series of storytelling events.

Community Storytellers has been meeting monthly for over 26 years, providing an intimate, supportive atmosphere for adults to tell and listen to the surprising variety of stories that we use to share our lives, whether traditional or contemporary, true life or fantasy.

The Storytelling Project offers quarterly storytelling events to the community based on the conviction that stories break down barriers and build bridges of understanding:

Stories connect –

Stories allow us to see the world through another's eyes –

Stories build bridges among diverse cultures, nations, races and religious traditions –

Stories share ancient wisdom –

Stories are fun –

Stories help give meaning to our lives.

The Culver-Palms Storytelling Project seeks to celebrate and promote the art of storytelling by giving tellers a venue to perform and encouraging the community to nurture a rebirth of storytelling in homes, families and neighborhoods.

Two more "Connections" storytelling events are planned for summer and fall of 2008. Stay connected at www.hope4la.org/storyproject.htm for more information.

We hope that our stories will remind you of the stories in your own lives, and that when you go home you will share those stories with family and friends.

Please sign the e-mail list in the lobby.
More information at www.hope4la.org/storyproject.htm