Dorothy Slack
Dec. 9, 1917 – June 3, 2012

Dorothy Slack was a long time attendee at our meetings and a generous supporter of CU. She had five children and most middle-aged folks would have gone to school with one of them. Many of us will remember her characteristic approach to fashion; she set her own style with saddle shoes, bobby socks and an A-line skirt. She was a brilliant woman who graduated from Mount Holyoke College in 1939, a time when few women sought higher education. She loved sports and played tennis well into her later years. She was a student of nature and loved birding. Each year she participated in the annual New Year’s Day bird count. Dot also touched many lives. She was a consummate volunteer. During tax season she assisted seniors in preparing taxes at Millville Library. In addition she was active in numerous community organizations, including Meals on Wheels, YMCA, Girl Scouts, PTAs, Cape May Bird Observatory and Union Lake Sailing Club. Many of us will remember her and husband Neil best for their guidance on the square dance floor, where they insisted that we all participate and “get it right.” If there are binoculars in heaven Dot has got them strapped on.

Newspaper Obituary

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Dorothy (Frances) Carson Slack was born in Philadelphia on Dec. 9, 1917, and died on June 3, 2012.

Daughter of Robert J. and Anna K. David Carson of the Germantown section of Philadelphia. She married Neal Willard Slack on March 20, 1943. She was predeceased by her son, Robert C. Slack, and her siblings Elizabeth C. Staffieri, Robert J. Carson Jr. and Margaret C. Hull.

She is survived by her husband, Neal; four children, Margaret Valvo of Grants Pass, Ore., David N. Slack (Kathleen) of Ewan, Cynthia S. Ehlinger (Joseph) of Riverside, Conn., and James W. Slack (Gemma) of Bethesda, Md.; eight grandchildren, Jennifer Baumann (Terry), Anna Johnson, Amy Slack, Christopher Slack (Bethany), William Slack (Jamie), John Ehlinger, Madeleine Slack and Samuel Slack; and eight great-grandchildren, Rachel, Mary, Sarah, Abigail and Anna Baumann, Tyler and Conner Johnson, and Amelia Slack.

She was a graduate of Mount Holyoke College (1939) and the Germantown Friends School (1935). She also attended Pierce Business School, taught Sunday school at First Presbyterian Church of Germantown, played field hockey at the Germantown Cricket Club and worked with Fischer & Porter Co. and in the tax department of Pennsylvania Company before starting her family.
Active as a volunteer in Millville, where she lived for more than 60 years, "Dot" was very involved in the First Presbyterian Church on the Maurice River, serving for many years as both deacon and elder. She also was active in numerous community organizations, including Meals on Wheels, YMCA, Girl Scouts, PTAs, Cape May Bird Observatory and Union Lake Sailing Club. She enjoyed playing tennis in her younger days and bird watching throughout her life. She provided volunteer income tax assistance to seniors and assisted her husband, Neal, teaching square dancing at the Millville Public Library. In 2011, Dorothy and Neal moved to assisted living at the Friends Village in Woodstown, where Neal will continue on.