### Star Island Corporation

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### New Building for Children Dedicated on Star Island

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Under a sun-filled sky on August 26, 2000, a new building dedicated to serve the needs of Star Island's youngest Shoalers was dedicated with joy, celebration and remembrance of the woman whose name the building bears: Louise Bush. The building, now called Louise's Barn, stands next to the Kiddie Barn in the clearing just beyond the Sprague/YPRU/Baker motel complex. The building has been in use since early in July by enthusiastic children who've enjoyed the colorful, well-equipped surroundings, but this day was set aside to honor the woman whose dedication. to children and education is remembered with a building to support the

education of children on Star.

Irene Bush, Vice President of the Star Island Corporation, officiated the event, and Louise Bush's son John (Irene's husband) remembered his mother in his remarks, reflecting

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(l to r) Bill Clegg, Irene Bush, and John Bush dedicate Louise's Barn, August 26, 2000.

### Upcoming Events:

- The Star Island UCC Corp. annual meeting Saturday, November 4
- The ISA-UU annual meeting Saturday, November 11
- The Portsmouth
   Athenaeum presents
   "One Woman's Work:
   The Visual Art of
   Celia Laighton
   Thaxter," opens June
   29, 2001

### From the Manager

The final hours before the arrival of the Liberal Religious Adults Conference (LRA) on Tuesday, June 13, and the beginning of the 2000 conference season felt very much like opening night at the theater. Everything that could be done was done; anything that was unfinished would have to wait. The crews scurried around putting finishing touches on rooms, the lobby, and the grounds. Trucks were

on the pier ready to unload the first set of bags from the ferry and the kitchen was preparing the first conference meal. The swimming floats and rowboats were in the water and the marine lab was well stocked and ready for its first visitors. Three months of preparation and anticipation were coming to an end...the season had begun.

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### A Message to Shoalers

Labor Day is behind us and so this seems to be an appropriate time to provide all of you with an update on the 2000 Annual Fund.

As you know, this is a special year for us. We want this campaign to celebrate new beginnings for our Island and for our community. We want to bring Vision 2000 to life by providing for the future and for the people who will roam the rocks in years to come. We want to lift the Fund to a new plateau from the \$100,000 level in the past few years. Most importantly, we want to increase the participation in this campaign significantly from the 13% figure we now record. For a special extended family, sharing a rare and cherished experience, a participation rate of 13% is—to be blunt—a dismal showing.

So one of our most important goals for 2000 is to

at least double this figure. Not that 26% is so good, but it is much better than 13%!

I can report to you that we are doing extraordinarily well in terms of money both pledged and received. It is safe to say that, if the gifts continue to come in as they have in these past few months, we will have a banner year.

I suspect that there are many of you who are working with limited resources and feel awkward about sending a small check when you would like to write a big one. To you I say: send what you can. Every bit helps.

Be a part of this great effort to the extent that you are able. Climb aboard! There is an envelope accompanying this newsletter. Help us get our participation up to a respectable level at last!

Dan Fenn, Annual Fund Chait



Thanks to this year's Annual Fund and memorial contributions, the Corporation was able to buy this Caterpillar Model 436 Backhoe Loader from Southworth-Milton. This machine, purchased for \$25,000, is critical for a wide range of necessary island tasks.

### New Island Engineer Arrives

Dave Reynolds, our new Island Engineer, began his work with us on September 1. Dave is well known on the Shoals since, for the last three years, he worked for the Shoals Marine Laboratory and served as master on the research vessel John M. Kingsbury. Prior to his work on Appledore, Dave was an engineer for the Sea Education Association based in Woods Hole, Massachusetts. He also served as both mate and engineer on a research vessel in Alaska and as a tugboat captain and marine superintendent for a salvage company based in Annapolis, Maryland. His training as a ship's engineer and captain make him well quali-

fied for the challenges of being Star Island's Engineer. Dave brings not only a high level of technical skill, but also a love for the Shoals.

During the summer months, while Dave completed his duties on Appledore, Joe Watts filled in as Acting Island Engineer and Ben Fowler filled in as Acting Assistant Island Engineer. Both did exceptional jobs this summer and their efforts on behalf of the island are very much appreciated. \*\*

Paul Jennings, Manager

# Membership in the Star Island Corporation

From the by-laws of the Star Island Corporation:

"...any member may propose to the Membership Committee the nomination of a person...the election of whom...would...advance and promote the carrying out of the purposes of the Corporation."

As we move into the new millennium and the vision of what Star Island can be continues to take form, these words take on an ever-increasing significance.

Vision, leadership, skills, and commitment—these are the qualities that will be needed and, in the end, they must come from the membership of the Corporation. Each year there is an opportunity for Corporation members to propose to the Membership Committee individuals whom they believe can best lead us into the future. From these proposals, the Membership Committee selects those to be nominated and submitted to the Corporation for a vote at the next annual meeting.

For complete details, contact the Portsmouth Of-

fice by phone, mail, or email (Corporation Membership Nominations, care of: Kate Brady, 10 Vaughan Mall, Suite 8, Portsmouth, NH 03801, phone (603) 430-6272, fax (603) 430-6270, email office@starisland.org). Proposal packets containing step-by-step instructions are available to Corporation members upon request. The deadline for submitting completed proposals to the Portsmouth Office (for transmission to the Committee) is January 15, 2001.

Help us to build and maintain a strong Corporation membership. ★

Edward Rutledge, Membership Committee Chair

### Corrections

In the Spring 2000 Newsletter (Vol. XXV, No. 3), "The Star Island Annual Fund, Final Report—1999" insert gratefully acknowledged contributors to the 1999 Annual Fund. The following people were inadvertently omitted from the Final Report:

Irene & John Bush Carolyn & Rich Dahab Rosalind Holt Robert F. Koenig

# Notes From the Underground, October 9, 2000

There are about fifteen Pelicans left enjoying what I consider to be the best time on Star. Winter is around the corner, and the island will be handed over to the winterkeepers in a few weeks. I don't know how many of you have experienced the fall on Star, but the island takes on a different appearance. We have shuttered the first floor windows and have placed all the rowboats in Brookfield. The Chamber Crew—all three of them—have been closing down the living and sleeping areas, a task which includes pushing all the furniture to the middle of the rooms and scrubbing down the walls. Soon the drinking, cistern, and salt water pipes in all island buildings will be drained to prevent them from bursting during the winter. The brow and the swimming and rowboat floats will be placed on the front lawn. Just yesterday the flagpoles were taken down and stored in the hall between Lawrance and Elliott. The chairs in the dining hall are up on the tables. Although the island looks less inviting, for the few of us left it is cozy and there is an increased sense of island stewardship. Eleven Pels have just moved into the EMB, Doctor's, Infirmary, and Manager's, and the best part is that the fresh water showers stay on.

This October, we hosted Bob Frye and his crew, who did a great job of repairing the roof over Elliott Hall as well as installing a lot of new windows in Gosport. We are also gearing up for our first Fall Pelican Volunteer Weekend, during which we will continue improving upon the Pelican living spaces in Caswell, the fourth floor of Gosport, and the fourth floor of Oceanic.

I would also like to mention that during close up there has been a huge emphasis placed on painting. Not only has the outside of Gosport been worked on, but we have started to improve the "rustic but adequate" conferee rooms of Gosport



Rachel Wakefield readies the railings in front of Cottage C for painting.

West. We have not changed the uniquely angled rooms and hall-ways, but now they have a fresh coat of paint. Several weekends ago, we had a small group of volunteers paint the walls of Cottage D. Pels have painted all the floors of Cottage

A, all of the north faces of Cottages A, B, C, and E, and the railings along the boardwalk in front of these cottages.

Let's now step back to the full season. As we did last year, we held service auctions and raised quite a bit of money. The money allowed us to continue to improve the Underworld—a major staff socializing area—and hold the Fall Pelican Volunteer Weekend. We would also like to thank the ISA for granting us the money for couches in the new TV lounge, Contra-dancing, yoga, and part of the Fall Pelican Volunteer Weekend. We have enjoyed and benefited from increased support from the conferences and island organizations. I would like to thank all of you on behalf of the Pel community and hope we have deserved your support this season and will continue to do so in seasons to come.

Management gave the Pelican community more responsibilities and trust this year. We were allowed to be involved in the decision making process and were given time to express our opinions and thoughts about the island. For his trust, patience, and a wonderful season, we would like to thank Paul Jennings and hope that he gets a vacation before we all come back next year. Thank you Paul! \*\*

### In Memory

On September 21, 2000, **Ted Bierman** died after a long battle with cancer. Those who attended All Star I in the 1950's and 1960's will remember Ted for his warmth and exuberance. Ted and Anita, his wife of 52 years, were chairmen of All Star I in 1964. In addition to his wife, Ted is survived by his son Ted and his daughter Diane (Buffy). The Ted Bierman Memorial Fund has been set up in Ted's memory.

Hildreth Shaw Frost died July 19, 2000, at the age of 82. She and her husband, Bob, and their children, Robert, Dana and Sara Frost Schoman, spent eight summers on the Island while Bob was manager. Hildreth worked part-time in a variety of capacities, became a Corporation Member in 1960, and continued visiting as a conferee. She wrote numerous articles and stories inspired by her Island experiences. The Hildreth Frost Me-

morial Fund has been set up by the Corporation in her memory.

On August 7, 2000, **Joseph Joffe** died in his home. He was 90. Joe, a Corporation member since 1962, attended conferences for over forty years, alternating between All Star I, LOAS 1, UCC 1, IRAS, and IA. Joe is survived by Bert, his wife of 69 years, his sons Robert, Paul, and Richard, and five grandchildren. Joe and Bert were long time members of the Unitarian Church of Summit, New Jersey, and first attended Star with their three children in the mid-1950's.

If you have information about births, deaths, and marriages in the Star Island family, please send them to: Editor, The Star Island Newsletter, 10 Vaughan Mall, Suite 8, Portsmouth, NH 03801 or to "Editor" at joe@starisland.org.

## Upcoming Events

- The Star Island United Church of Christ (UCC) Corporation will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, November 4, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Framingham Conference Center in Framingham, MA. Please contact Sue Dickerman, (508) 875-5233, for details.
- The Isles of Shoals Association (ISA-UU)
   Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday,
   November 11, from 2:00 p.m. to
   5:00 p.m. at the First Parish in Bedford,
   Unitarian Universalist Church, 75 The
   Great Road, Bedford, MA.

Tom Mansfield, NH Parks Dept. architect, will present "White Island Lighthouse—Parks Department Plans," and Larry Pilotte of the Isles of Shoals His-

- torical and Research Association (ISHRA) will present "New Hampshire by the Sea." Refreshments will be served. All Shoalers are cordially invited.
- The Portsmouth Athenaeum proudly announces "One Woman's Work: The Visual Art of Celia Laighton Thaxter," which will open on June 29, 2001. On behalf of the Corporation, Vaughn Cottage Museum Curator Gayle Kadlik, Vaughn Committee Chair Dan Fenn, and Manager Paul Jennings have generously contributed to this exhibit with a significant loan of china from the Vaughn Cottage Museum collection. Contact Jane Porter, (603) 431-2538, or Sharon Stephan, (603) 883-8846, for more information. ★

### In Brief

- The Financial Accessibility Committee has been charged by the Corporation's Board of Directors to work with conferences to help them augment aid for conferee scholarships and to develop a continuing "safety net" that can insure the diversity of the Star Island community. The committee is currently synthesizing the valuable data it has collected throughout the course of the 2000 conference season. Please contact Brad Greeley, Committee Chair at (603) 430-0969 or email Uubrad@aol.com with any thoughts or suggestions about this project.
- The Committee on Memorials announces that Sally Hamburger, a long-time LOAS conferee, has assumed the leadership of the committee previously chaired by Irene Bush, fellow long-time LOAS conferee and Vice President of the Board of Directors. The Committee on Memorials urges each conference to adopt a "Conference Associate," responsible for reporting to the committee the names and biographies of fellow Shoalers who should be remembered in the Blue Memorial Book.

- Please contact Sally Hamburger, Committee Chair (1900 Sherwood Road, Arden, DE 19810, email salhamb@aol.com), if interested in contributing on this or related fronts.
- The Star Island Gift Shop is offering a few items for off-season buying that would make great holiday gifts. The 2001 full color calendars are \$12.00 each. There is also a T-shirt featuring a drawing by Fred McGill of the chapel surrounded by a stained-glass design, which can be personalized with fabric crayons (provided). The T-shirts are \$15.00 for adult (S, M, L, XL) and \$12.00 for kids (S, M). Please add \$3.00 per order, make checks for calendars and/or shirts payable to "Star Island Gift Shop" and send to Rocky Coast, Star Island Gift Shop, P. O. Box 3096, Portsmouth, NH 03802.
- The Corporation office is looking for sketches to spruce up the 2001 Blue Book. Please submit pencil and ink sketches to the Star Island Corporation, Attention: Joe Watts, 10 Vaughan Mall, Suite 8, Portsmouth, NH 03801. ★

### Memorial Contributions

Each year, the Corporation receives financial contributions in memory of deceased loved ones. These contributions make up Star's entire memorial project budget, and also represent an integral part of the Corporation's overall available discretionary funds. In this and each future Star Island Newsletter, both the contributors and those in whose memory contributions have been made will be acknowledged, so that our 5,000+ readership can remember those who have passed on and celebrate their continuing connections to the Island we all love.

Sally Hamburger, the Chair of the Committee on Memorials, reminds all of us to visit the "Memorial Corner" the next time we are in the lobby of the Oceanic

Hotel. The Memorial Corner, located next to the gift shop, is the home of the Blue Memorial Book and the Red Memorial Book, the former of which Fred McGill, Jr, began in 1977. Both volumes help us to remember those deceased Shoalers who have been honored by memorial gifts.

When sending any type of financial contribution to Star Island, please remember to make checks payable to the Star Island Corporation. Please include all additional information (In memory of, The Annual Fund, etc.) on the memo section at the bottom of your check.

# Fire Strikes Maine Church Pastored by Former Star Island Manager

Fire! That terrifying cry was heard in the center of Saco, Maine on August 31, 2000. On that day, the 160 year-old First Parish Congregational Church on Main Street was reduced to a pile of rubble due to a workman's error. The Saco landmark was undergoing much-needed renovation. While there was no loss of life, the 100 year-old stained glass windows and an 80 year-old organ were lost, and the personal library of the church's minister was destroyed, a minister with a long and deep Star connection.

The Rev. Peter Mercer, who was Star Island's Manager during the late 1970's and early 1980's, began a love affair with Star Island in the 1950's, when he was a Pelican. He was an acclaimed member of the kitchen crew and legendary lead pitcher for the island softball team. Pete and his wife Ellie, a former member of the Star Island Corporation Board of Directors, minister, and a D. Min candidate from Andover Newton Theological School, are the parents of two former Pelicans as well.

Since the fire, the Mercers have been swamped with recovery details including trying to relocate the congregation, carrying on programs in a variety of donated locations scattered across town, and dealing with the grief of such a tragedy.

During this stressful time, Peter and Ellie Mercer have focused on the congregation while giving little thought to their own losses. Some members of the Star community have suggested that support from those who gain sustenance from Star would be a most meaningful gift.

If you wish to contribute to such an effort to help the Mercers, we offer two suggestions. A taxdeductible contribution (marked "First Congregational Church") can be sent to the Biddeford Savings Bank (254 Main Street, Biddeford, ME 04005), which is collecting relief aid. Alternatively, Star Island's own Dave and Edith Pierson, former winterkeepers who know the Mercers well, have offered to channel Star contributions to the Mercers to help them rebuild the library they lost in the fire. If you wish to contribute in this way, send your non-tax-deductible check (marked "Mercer's Library"), made out to Peter and Ellie Mercer, to: Dave & Edith Pierson, 50 Tidy Rd, Eliot, ME 03903-1023. The deadline for this effort is, appropriately, Thanksgiving.

The frightening speed with which the fire destroyed this historic Saco church serves as a reminder to us all of how fragile and vulnerable the Star Island buildings are, and how a moment's carelessness can undo more than a century of care and memories. \*

Debby Taylor, with Dave Pierson and Debbie Weiner Soule

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Between November 15, 1999, and

Between November 15, 1999, and October 16, 2000, Memorial Contributions were made in memory of the following people:

Ted Bierman Louise Bush Sally Codding David M. Copithorne Warren Eberhart Hildreth Frost Rolly & Polly Greeley Jeanne Hirning Joseph Joffe Nathan Joraleman Rena Lovett Bonnie McCallum Helen Stanley Marie Terletzky Sylvia & Warren Witherell

The following people contributed to one or more memorial funds between November 15, 1999, and October 16, 2000:

Christa A. Bain Joan C. Bowen Irene & John Bush
Felita Carr
Philip and Diane Bierman Carson
Charles Case & Sherry Walworth
Frank & Geraldine Chaplick
Edwin and Janice Colby
Joseph Colella
Robert & Anita Cummins
Joseph and Elaine Cusker
B. Joy Daubin
Mary H. Dunn
Elizabeth Erickson
Stanley Frost

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on her long involvement with the Isles of Shoals. Louise Fulton Bush, also known to many as 'Grammy,' was born on February 17, 1906, and died on February 3, 1992. She lived a life interwoven with family, science, Unitarian Universalism and the Isles of Shoals. Born and educated in the Midwest, she earned a B.A. from Friends University in Wichita, Kansas and an M.A. from the University of Kansas. After marrying and becoming a Unitarian, she completed a Ph.D. at the University of Minnesota and soon moved to the East Coast with her young family.

She was affiliated with the Unitarian Church in Summit, NJ where she served as president, directed religious education, and played as organist. She first attended Star Island conferences in 1949, and was involved with the RE Week as well as the All Star, IRAS, IA, and LOAS conferences.

She was popular with children and others for her "scientific walks" to the "Marine Gardens." Sometimes when she arrived on Island, an announcement had to be made requesting that children refrain from swarming around her so that she could go to the dining room and enjoy her lunch. Louise Bush was instrumental in beginning the marine biology program that eventually became the Rutledge Marine Lab on Star. In the early 1970's, she was a founding member and the first female on the staff of the Shoals Marine Lab on Appledore. After her retirement from teaching, Louise moved to Falmouth, MA where she supervised the Gray Museum at the Marine Biological Laboratories in Woods Hole and continued her research and publishing on marine flatworms.

In his remarks, SIC President William Clegg acknowledged the completion of Louise's Barn with joy and gratitude on behalf of the Corporation and the young children of the Star community,

their parents, and their grandparents. Clegg remembered Louise Bush's roles as mother, grandmother, biologist, church leader, musician, artist, and religious educator, and thanked John and Irene Bush, and others who contributed to the completion of Louise's Barn, for their generosity in making this valued children's program space and its furnishings possible. Clegg then handed over a symbolic set of keys to the building to Star Island Registrar Edward Rutledge.

Rutledge, who spoke on behalf of Island Manager Paul Jennings at the ceremonies, reflected both on the island's mission of hospitality as expressed in the Vision 2000 strategic plan, and of the connection of that mission to the welcome provided for children at the island. This connection to children, Rutledge said, was one which had grown out of the post-war conference schedule and, as the number of conferences with children grew, so too did the need for appropriate physical facilities.

Rutledge reflected on his observations over seven decades of the creation of the playscapes, the remodeling of the old barn into the Kiddie Barn, and the construction of Brookfield, the Rutledge Marine Lab and most recently, the Marshman building. Now, he said, "with the completion of Louise's Barn, a section of the island campus adequate to support our commitment to children and youth has truly become a reality." Rutledge "accepted the keys to Louise's Barn and the responsibility which goes with them" on behalf of Manager Paul Jennings and the island staff.

In closing remarks, Bill Clegg discussed the Star Island Corporation's commitment to both use and maintain the building well. John and Irene Bush, Ed Rutledge and Bill Clegg joined in cutting the ribbon to the building, and the ceremony concluded with attendees touring the building and enjoying refreshments. \*\*

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The next fourteen weeks seemed to go by with lightning speed. A total of 3,182 conferees came to the island during the regular season and many more came for September workshops, retreats and volunteer work. The season ended on September 25 and our close-up crew set to the task of securing the island for the winter. Good weather during the fall enabled us to do more than just secure the buildings, however. With a crew of twenty-two on the island through October 8, we completed several major painting and repair projects (please see "Notes From The Underground" for details). A smaller crew of ten will have remained on the island until October 28. One of their important jobs will have been to continue the removal of accumulated trash from the dump area so that restoration work may begin next spring.

Although the season has ended and the work on the island is coming to a close, the work in Portsmouth continues at a fairly rapid pace. We are meeting soon to take stock of the summer, to assess what went well and what did not, and to agree on what we need to do to make next summer even more successful. A new auditing firm

has been hired for next year and we will be changing our accounting software and systems. During the winter, we will be attending to the organizational infrastructure and while these are activities that are not obvious on the island they are, nevertheless, essential to the smooth operation of the conference center. It already feels as though there is precious little time between now and the time the next conference season begins.

But as busy as we may continue to be, the fall is a good time for reflection. It is hard for me to sum up in some simple way the impressions I formed this summer. Clearly, one impression I have is of the power and potential of the Star Island community. The devotion, generosity and commitment of everyone connected to the island, our Pelicans and senior staff, the office staff, the Board of Directors, committee members, conference leaders, and hundreds of volunteers, is truly exceptional. We have a rich legacy of more than a hundred years of conferences, and I know we have a bright and promising future. Lisa and I wish to thank everyone who worked so hard to make this summer a success and for the confidence you give us in the work that can be accomplished in the years ahead. \*

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Hubert & Marie Gainer & Elizabeth Larsen

P. Roger Gillette

Elise Gray

David Greeley & Janice Anthony

Edward & Monica Greeley

Raymond & Barbara Hallows

Margaret L. Hargrove

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Gertrude Wells

Steven L. Whitney

Richard & Wendy Wilson

Tome Check & Nancy Witherell

Between January 1, 2000, and October 16, 2000, Annual Fund contributions were made in memory of the following people:

Barbara Avakian Bill Buxton Josephine Coyle

Douglas Hitzig Minnie Ledford O'Dell Dwight Persons

The following people contributed to The Annual Fund, in memory of one or more specific people, between January 1, 2000, and October 16, 2000:

Jane M. Bengtson George Bunnell David & Deborah Buxton Carolyn & Rich Dahab James O'Dell Elizabeth Persons

If we have made any errors or omissions, please accept our apologies and notify us

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# 2001 Conference Schedule

Conference Name:	Start Date:	End Date:
Liberal Religious Adults	Tuesday, June 12	Friday, June 15
Young Adults Conference	Friday, June 15	Monday, June 18
Arts	Saturday, June 16	Saturday, June 23
Natural History	Saturday, June 23	Saturday, June 30
Young Religious Unitarian Universalists	Saturday, June 23	Saturday, June 30
All Star I Family	Saturday, June 30	Saturday, July 7
All Star II Family	Saturday, July 7	Saturday, July 14
Religious Education	Saturday, July 14	Saturday, July 21
International Affairs	Saturday, July 21	Saturday, July 28
Institute on Religion in an Age of Science	Saturday, July 28	Saturday, August 4
United Church of Christ I Family	Saturday, August 4	Saturday, August 11
United Church of Christ I Youth	Saturday, August 4	Saturday, August 11
United Church of Christ II Family	Saturday, August 11	Friday, August 17
United Church of Christ II Youth	Saturday, August 11	Friday, August 17
Laity Weekend	Friday, August 17	Sunday, August 19
Life On A Star I Family	Monday, August 20	Sunday, August 26
Life On A Star II Family	Sunday, August 26	Saturday, September 1
Pelican Reunion	Saturday, September 1	Monday, September 3
Mid-Week Retreat I	Monday, September 3	Friday, September 7
Elderhostel I	Monday, September 3	Saturday, September 8
Mid-Week Retreat II	Monday, September 10	Friday, September 14
Elderhostel II	Monday, September 10	Saturday, September 15
A Gathering of RenewalA Weekend for Women	Friday, September 21	Sunday, September 23