I.F.G.E.'s 4th Annual

'COMING TOGETHER - WORKING TOGETHER' CONVENTION

> BOSTON March 27 - April 1, 1990

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the Tiffany Club of New England

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# I.F.G.E. 1990 CONGRESS of ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES

(Representatives are individuals selected by their respective organizations to represent the special interests of their organizations, to work with I.F.G.E., the various I.F.G.E. committees, and with other representatives. Representatives

# THE VIRGINIA PRINCE AWARD

Named in honor of the award's first recipient, the 'Virginia Prince Award' is presented by the International Foundation for Gender Education to an outstanding individual from our community. The purpose of the award is for our community to recognize and honor <u>the ONE person</u> who has given the greatest amount of themselves in service to others.

# DR. VIRGINIA PRINCE: 1st Recipient, 1987

Virginia has been working on behalf of our community for over 30 years. In the very early 60's she founded FPE (the predecessor of Tri Ess). She conducted one of the first valid research projects designed to help us better understand the nature of the crossdressing phenomena. (The results of that research are still being quoted.) She has written many books (including the classic 'Understanding Crossdressing', 'The Transvestite and His Wife', and 'How To Be A Woman Though Male'), educational publications (such as 'The Public Speaker's Handbook'), and journals (for instance, over 100 issues of 'Transvestia'). She was and continues to be a lecturer, an author, and a researcher.

Virtually every organization and service worldwide in existence today can thank Virginia for their existence.

## MERISSA SHERRILL LYNN: 2nd Recipient, 1988

Merissa began working with our community in 1976 when she joined Ariadne Kane's Fantasia Fair staff and took a leadership role in the Cherrystone group in Boston. In 1978 she developed a long-range battle plan with the intent to build an international service network that would be of actual and effective service to our community.

Merissa founded the Tiffany Club (one of the largest support organizations in the world) and was its director for the first nine years. She founded NACD Inc. (an investment corporation in service to our community) and was responsible for acquiring our community's first group housing and retreat. She founded (and is the current Managing Director and Editor-In-Chief) of the TV/TS Tapestry Journal and Tapestry Publications ('Transsexualism', 'Wives and Significant Others', 'Transvestism and Religion', and 'Hormones'). She founded (and is the current Executive Director) of the International Foundation for Gender Education. She founded (and is the current Director) of the 'Coming Together - Working Together' convention.

Merissa has been lecturing publicly for 15 years, has appeared many times on television and radio, and has written many educational articles (including 'The Directory of Terms', a standard booklet for the Educational Resources Committee).

## ARIADNE KANE: 3rd Recipient, 1989

Ariadne has been working on behalf of our community since 1973. In 1975 she founded the Human Outreach And Achievement Institute (the Outreach Institute), an organization dedicated to public education and to working with the health professionals who serve our community. She also founded Fantasia Fair, a 9-day "personal growth experience" which for the last 14 years has been the finest and most comprehensive event of its kind in the world. She also founded the Outreach Professional Evaluation and Referral Network (OPERN).

Ariadne has coordinated numerous conferences, and has conducted countless workshops and seminars. She has presented at top institutions including Harvard and Berkeley, and for professional organizations such as AASECT and SSSS. She has appeared on countless television and radio programs, and with the possible exceptions of Virginia Prince and Sr Mary Elizabeth has logged more miles in service to our community than anyone.

# SR. MARY ELIZABETH, SSE: 4th Recipient, 1990

Formerly known as Joanna Michelle Clark, Sr. Mary Elizabeth is the author of 'Legal Aspects of Transsexualism', a landmark contribution to the gender community, and has published dozens of articles on the subject. In addition, Sr. Mary has written numerous articles on the subject of religion.

In 1976 Sr. Mary joined Renaissance Gender Identity Services, and headed up their Legal Research Division through 1980. The same year she helped to found the Gender Dysphoria Program of Orange County, Inc., and has been heavily involved in helping the gender-conflicted community since. She served as founding chairperson of the American Civil Liberties Union's Transsexual Rights Committee from 1980 to 1983, and was responsible for the enactment of California's transgender birth certification legislation and the defeat of SB-2200, which would have prohibited medical funds from being used for sex reassignment surgery.

In 1986 she took over the JANUS Information Facility's worldwide information referral service, which has since become known as J2CP Information Services, one of the leading information/referral services for gender dysphorics and helping professionals in North America.

Listed as Joanna Clark, Sr. Mary is listed in the 16th edition of "Who's Who in California," also in the 21st and 22nd editions of "Who's Who in the West," and the first edition of "2,000 Most Notable Women in America," and in the "International Leaders in Achievement".

In December 1987 she co-founded the Sisters of St. Elizabeth of Hungary, and at a candlelight service at St. Clement's By-The-Sea Episcopal Church in San Clemente, California, Sr. Mary Elizabeth took the veil and vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

# PROGRAM SCHEDULE

# BOSTON '90 IFGE's 4th annual 'COMING TOGETHER' CONVENTION

Unless otherwise stated, the programs are included in your registration fee.

If you have not already done so, you may pay for the special programs presented by TCNE and TCNE-WSG, for the special Friday program for the mental health professionals.

Please check the Bulletin Board in the Hampshire Room (Registration) and your daily newsletter for schedule changes, program details, transportation information, etc.

- **General Programs:** Everyone (crossdressers, transsexuals, wives, friends, allied professionals, support services) is considered an equal partner in our community, and the convention's programs are designed accordingly. The general programs are for everyone. However, we offer enough diversity so participants can choose by "voting with their feet".
- Tiffany Club of New England (TCNE) Programs: Being stuck in a hotel during your free time with nothing to do and no place to go is no way to enjoy a convention. Tiffany, the convention's host organization, is working hard to organize trips and outings and social activities to help you enjoy your visit to Boston.
- TCNE Wives Support Group (TCNE-WSG) Programs: The TCNE-WSG is a large and very active group led by TCNE wives. The TCNE-WSG wants to extend a warm welcome to wives and fiancees, and is sponsoring outings, and luncheons, and socials throughout the convention.
- **Transsexual (TS) Programs:** In addition to the general programs there will be a special comprehensive two-day seminar (Friday and Saturday) catering to the special needs of gender dysphoric (transsexual) persons. The seminar is devoted entirely to the exploration of transsexual issues.

Female-to-Male (F-M) Programs: A special one-day program (Saturday) is being offered to address the needs of female-to-male crossdressers and transsexuals.

- Mental Health Professional Programs: A special two-day program (Friday and Saturday) is being coordinated by Dr. Roger Peo (Pres. Androgyny Unlimited) and Niela Miller (Pres. People Systems Potential) to address the special interests and needs of helping professionals.
- "Behind the Scenes" Worker Programs: The primary reason for the Coming Together Convention is to tend to the business of our community. The scheduled regular and special programs are not oriented towards business. With few exceptions, the social and outside activities are not business oriented. The real work does not get done in these programs and activities. The real work gets done behind the scenes in committee meetings, board meetings, and business raps. These behind the scenes meetings are the life-blood of our community and guarantee us a healthy future. This is where the work gets done, and everyone who is eager to serve our community is welcome to participate.
- **Keynote Speakers Luncheons**: Each year we invite prominent people, people we want to meet, and more importantly, people we want to have meet us, to come and speak.

This year our Keynote speakers will be: Weds.: Rev. Kim Harvey (Minister of the Arlington St. Church) Thurs.: Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SSE (author of 'Legal Aspects of Transsexualism, co-founder Orange County Gender Clinic, founder ACLU Transsexual Rights Committee) Fri.: Holly Devor (author of 'Gender Blending-Confronting the Limits of Duality') Sat.: Jennifer Anne Stevens (author of 'From Masculine to Feminine, And All The Points In Between')

Awards Banquet: Our formal awards banquet on Saturday evening is far more than an opportunity to dress up and feel elegant. It is an evening to celebrate our achievements, to feel proud, and feel good about being who and what we are. It is a time to honor one extraordinary person from our community for their dedication and accomplishments, and in the process honor ourselves. The awards banquet is the highlight of our convention.

This year we will be honoring Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SSE

# MONDAY, MARCH 26:

Theme of the day: Personal Development

Pre-registration all day in the Hampshire Room

9-11 am DRESSING FOR SUCCESS - <u>\$15.00</u> (Harrod Room) Colors, styles, accessories, makeup selection. Ina Cammarano. Ina is a 'Color Me Beautiful' representative. Sponsor: TCNE

#### 1-3 pm COMPORTMENT - \$15.00 (Harrod Room)

A personal development workshop, conducted by professionals to be announced. Sponsor: TCNE

6:30-9 pm DINNER - (ala carte) (Chow Goldstien restaurant)

# <u>TUESDAY, MARCH 27:</u> Theme of the day: Getting In The Mood

10 am - 9 pm A DAY WITH TIFFANY - (\$85.00) Includes brunch at the Tiffany Club's facilities, a historical bus tour of Boston, Cambridge, Charleston, Lexington, and Concord, fol-

lowed by dinner at the Cottage Crest restaurant. (Dinner at the Cottage Crest can be purchased separately for \$30.00) Sponsor: TCNE

- 10 am 12 pm WELCOMING TEA FOR SIGNIFICANT OTHERS (Harvard Room) Sponsor, TCNE-WSG
- 12 pm CONVENTION STAFF MEETING (Harvard Room)
- 8-11 pm RECEPTION: For members of the Congress of Representatives, the IFGE Board of Directors, and their guests. (Bay Park Room)
  Come and meet the members of the IFGE Congress of Representatives and IFGE officers in a pleasant social atmosphere.
  Sponsor: IFGE Board of Directors

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28: Theme of the day: Our Business, Our Future

8-8:45 am CONVENTION STAFF MEETING (Harvard Room)

- 10 am IFGE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING (Harvard Room
- 9 am 12 pm OPEN BUSINESS MEETING (NE Hampton)
  - Opening of discussion on the work agenda for this year and next, and long term issues and priorities. Several proposals from the field will be presented and debated. Moderator: Josephine Williamson
- 10 am 3 pm WIVES TOUR OF BOSTON (\$35.00) A day with the TCNE Wives Support Group. Sponsor: TCNE-WSG

12-2 pm KEYNOTE SPEAKER'S LUNCHEON (SW Hampton) (\$15.00) Keynote speaker: Rev. Kim Harvey

Menu: Grilled double breast of chicken with brown garlic sauce, oven browned potatoes, garden fresh vegies, salad, rolls, dessert selection

2-3:30 pm THE FUTURE OF THE GENDER MOVEMENT (NE Hampton)

Where are we going in the '90's? Can we agree on an agenda? Social, political, and personal issues. Moderator: Wendy Parker

3:30-5 pm SYMBIOTIC SYNERGISM WITH THE GAY COMMUNITY AND THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT (NE Hampton)

What are our common issues? How can we work together for the benefit of all?

Presenters: Merissa Sherrill Lynn, Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SSE, David Lafontaine, Ann Maguire

### 7 pm - 12 am BUFFET RECEPTION (SW Hampton)

- A social evening with introductions, dancing with 'Good Time DJ' George Whitehouse
- Menu: Hors d'oeuvres (oriental chicken wings, cocktail franks in pastry, BBQ meatballs, eggrolls), finger sandwiches, deluxe canapes, vegetable crudite & dip, top rounds of beef

## THURSDAY, MARCH 29:

Theme of the day: Self-realization

#### IFGE COMMITTEE MEETINGS (Harvard Room)

8-8:45 am	CONVENTION STAFF MEETING
9:30 am	CONGRESS OF REPS
2-3 pm	LEGAL & BY-LAWS
3-4 pm	EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES
4-5 pm	MEMBERSHIP
5-6 pm	PUBLICATIONS

#### 9-10:30 am PEER COUNSELING WORKSHOP (NE Hampton)

An introduction to the skills necessary for being helpful to peers - and what's not so helpful - plus what to do when you're out of your depth. Presenters: Niela Miller, Roger Peo

# 10:30 am - 12 pm ALTERNATE PERSONAS (NE Hampton)

Discovery and development of the nascent alternate personalities that live within us. How did they originate? How can we get to know them and allow them to develop so that we can become better rounded and happier?

Presenters: WilliamHenkin, Sybil Holiday

12-2 pm KEYNOTE SPEAKER'S LUNCHEON (SW Hampton) (\$15.00)

Speaker: Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SSE

Menu: Broiled Boston scrod with lemon butter, rice pilaf, garden fresh vegies, salad, bakery rolls, chef's dessert

# 2-3:30 pm THE QUEST FOR THE FEMININE SELF (NE Hampton)

An exploration of models of different kinds of femininity, and how to manifest these qualities in our lives. Presenter: Niela Miller

# 3:30-5:30 pm HEALING WORKSHOP (NE Hampton)

Creating a healing circle within. Creating a balance tetween the masculine and the feminine. Presenter: Jolynne White

# 7-? pm A NIGHT WITH TIFFANY (ala carte)

Dinner at famed Anthony's Pier Four restaurant, followed by an evening at a distinguished Boston skyline lounge. If you wish to go first class, chauffeured limousines are available for an extra charge of \$35.00 Sponsor: TCNE

# 7-? pm CONGRESS OF REPRESENTATIVES DINNER (ala carte)

Share a casual dinner with other members of the Congress and with IFGE officers. This is a great time to chat and share ideas. Sponsor: IFGE Congress of Representatives

# FRIDAY, MARCH 30: Theme of the day: Living in the Real World

# IFGE COMMITTEE MEETINGS (Harvard Room)

8-8:45 am CONVENTION STAFF MEETING

- 2-3 pm NOMINATIONS
- 3-4 pm MARKETING
- 4-5 pm FINANCE
- 5-6 pm PROGRAMS
- 9 am 5 pm ALL DAY TRANSSEXUAL PROGRAM (N Hampton) (open to all Convention participants)
  - 9 am Welcome and Introduction
  - 9:10-10 am WHO AM I?

The first question is not what sex am l?, but who am l? The value of knowing one's self.

Presenters: Christina Young, Wendi Pierce, Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SSE

# 10-10:30 am FANTASY vs REALITY

The fantasy of living and functioning full time as a woman (M-F) or a man (F-M) will be dispelled with a presentation of the realities of dealing with the issue.

Presenters: Christina Young, Kay Metsker

# 10:30-11 am TRANSGENDERISM

Is this lifestyle a viable option?

Presenter: Yvonne Cook

## 11 am - 12 pm GENERAL WORKSHOP

# 2-3 pm DEALING WITH OTHERS

How do I deal with family, friends, children, and significant others? This is a question that we all have to face. What are the problems? How do we tell someone about our situation? How do we handle rejection? How can we have improved interpersonal relations?

# Presenters: Wendi Pierce, Kay Metsker, Charlene Mann, Marie Mann

# 3-3:30 pm THERAPY

An exploration of the questions of: Why is therapy needed before surgery? What are the available sources of therapy? How do I select the right therapist?

Presenters: Christina Young, Wendi Pierce, Kay Metsker

# 3:30-4 pm RELIGION

How does the church look at the transsexual? Does surgery (SRS) constitute a sin against God?

- Presenter: Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SSE
- 4-5 pm GENERAL WORKSHOP

#### 9 am - 5 pm ALL DAY PROGRAM FOR MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS (E Hampton) (\$75.00) Presenters: Roger Peo, PhD, Niela Miller LCSW

- Research, Theories
- Definitions, Myths
- · Gender Issues for Therapists
- Typical Issues of Transgendered Clients
- · Role Playing
- · Preparation for Conference Sessions
- Dialogues Questions & Answers

# 9-10:30 am BEYOND THE LOOKING GLASS (Hamilton A&B)

How can we learn to get below the superficial, to fuller levels of womanhood? The need for role models; archetypes; sisterhood and the feminist model; re-integrating the yin and the yang; the humanist model. Presenter: Renee Chinquapin

# 10:30 am - 12 pm SUSTAINING THE ORGANIZATION (Hamilton A&B)

Advanced programming (What to do after the obvious programs have been done). This session will launch a project to develop an 'Inreach Handbook' containing ideas and advice for sustaining the vitality of organizations.
Presenter: Alison Laing

10 am - 12 pm LATECOMERS WELCOMING TEA FOR WIVES (Harvard Room) Sponsor: TCNE-WSG

# 12-2 pm KEYNOTE SPEAKER'S LUNCHEON (SW Hamilton) (\$15.00)

Speaker: Holly Devor

Fashion Show by Gloria-Lauren, presented by Eve Burchert

Menu: Sliced roast sirloin with sherry mushroom sauce, roasted red bliss potatoes, garden fresh vegies, garden salad, bakery rolls, chef's dessert

# 2-3:30 pm A VISIT WITH VIRGINIA PRINCE (Hamilton A)

The mother of us all will discuss, workshop, and brainstorm with us as to where the movement is, how it got there, and where it is going.

# 2-3:30 pm CLOSE ENCOUNTERS IN PUBLIC PLACES (Hamilton B)

Advice and ideas for those wishing to pass in situations of close interaction. Presenter: Jennifer Brown

### 3:30-5 pm LIVING WITH MEN (Hamilton A)

What to do with all that male training? How can we learn to peacefully coexist with the "man within", and with straight and gay men without? Presenter: Renee Chinquapin

# 3:30-5 pm TV FANTASIES (Hamilton B)

An experimental session. Due to the sensitivity of the material, this session will be open only to those willing to commit to sharing their own fantasies, and to respecting confidentiality.

Moderator: Josephine Williamson

# 5-8 pm AUTHOR'S RECEPTION AND BOOK SIGNING (Hamilton A&B)

Our authors will be available for informal discussion and book signing. Our authors include: Mariette Pathy-Allen ('Transformations'), Holly Devor ('Gender Blending'), Jennifer Anne Stevens ('From Masculine To Feminine'), Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SSE ('Legal Aspects Of Transsexualism'), and Virginia Prince ('Understanding Crossdressing', 'How To Be A Woman Though Male', 'The Transvestite And His Wife')

# 8:30-9:30 pm A PREVIEW OF 'METAMORPHOSIS' (Hamilton A&B)

This will be a special private preview of 'Metamorphosis', an award winning documentary of a M-F transsexual. 58 minute color film.

7-11 pm COUPLES MEETING (either in N Hampton, or at TCNE's residence in Wayland)

A special meeting open to male/female couples in a committed relationship. Sponsor: TCNE-WSG

7:30-9 pm PIZZA/SALAD PARTY (ala carte) (location to be announced) For female to male CD's and TS's only

### 9-10:30 pm "CIRCLE" (location to be announced) For female to male CD's and TS's only. Getting to know each other a little through informal sharing. Moderator: John A.

# SATURDAY, MARCH 31: Theme of the day: Psychological insight

8-8:45 am CONVENTION STAFF MEETING (Harvard Room)

9 am -	5 pm ALL DAY TRANSSEXUAL PROGRAM (Matrix Lounge) (open to all Convention participants)	
19	-9:30 am LEGAL ISSUES	
	A look at the process by which one legally establishes identification and the changing of vital records (i.e., credit cards, drivers license, social	
	security, birth certificates, etc.).	
	Presenters: Pam Miller, Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SSE	
9	:30-10:30 am EMPLOYMENT	
Within the context of this topic, the related issues of re-entering the workplace		
	and actually getting that job. Do I transition on my present job? How do I get a new job?	
	Presenters: Christina Young, Wendi Pierce, Charlene Mann	
	0:30-11 am HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE	
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	Presenters: Pam Miller, Sr. Mary Elizabeth SSE, Kay Metsker	
	1 am 12 pm GENERAL WORKSHOP	
2	2-3 pm HORMONES	
	The benefits and dangers.	
	Presenter: Dr. Sheila Kirk	
3	4 pm COSMETIC AND RE-ASSIGNMENT SURGERY	
	A thorough discussion of the various sources and types of cosmetic and sex	
	re-assignment surgeries that are available.	
	Presenters: Dr. Sheila Kirk, Kay Metsker, Christina Young, Wendi Pierce	
4	-5 pm GENERAL WORKSHOP	
5	-6 pm WHAT NEXT?	
	Where do I go from here? Is there a post-op high? Is there a post-op blues?	
	The signs to look for and the dangers.	
	Presenters: Christina Young, Wendi Pierce	
0.200	5 pm ALL DAY PROGRAM FOR FEMALE TO MALES (Except for the session	
- ani	with Holly Devor, which is open to all Convention participants, all	
	sessions are for female to male CD's and TS's only) (Harvard Room)	
	-9:15 am INTRODUCTION, ORIENTATION	
	15-10 am THE INDEPENDENCE OF GENDER IDENTITY FROM SEX-	
9	UAL ORIENTATION	
	Moderator: Chris Robins	
1	0-10:45 am HORMONES/STEROIDS	
	Benefits of use, consequences, dangers.	
	Presenter: Dr. Sheila Kirk	
1	0:45 am - 12 pm SEX REASSIGNMENT SURGERY PANEL	
	Discussion of some of the types and sources of surgeries that are available.	
	Presenter: Wendi Pierce	

# 1-2 pm VIDEO TAPED INTERVIEW OF LOU SULLIVAN BY DR. IRA PAULEY

# 2-3:30 pm DISCUSSION WITH HOLLY DEVOR

Slide presentation and discussion of some of the F-MCD's and TS's Holly has met.

3:30-4:30 pm LEGAL ISSUES

The process of changing one's vital records (driver's license, social security, birth certificate, credit card, etc.)

#### Presenter: Steve Parent

#### 4:30-5:15 pm THERAPY ISSUES - A DIALOGUE

General issues of counseling, usefulness of therapy, Harry Benjamin Institute's Standards of Care; getting a good grasp of gender issues and sexuality issues.

# Presenter: Roger Peo, PhD

## 5:25-6:10 pm A TS TELLS HIS STORY

Skip shares his story through dialogue and presentation of examples of his artwork.

# 6:15-7:15 pm PASSING TECHNIQUES

A workshop on some of the finer techniques of passing and the use of makeup.

Presenter: John A.

#### 9-10 am OPENING THE SHUTTERS (Bay Park Room)

Slides of persons from the gender community. The audience will be asked to respond as to what they see and feel. They will then hear from a few of the subjects, and from the photographer. Presenters: Mariette Pathy-Allen, Niela Miller

#### 10 am 12 pm PROFESSIONAL PANEL (Bay Park Room)

Brief presentations by five persons who have varied research, counseling and support expertise in men's issues and the gender field, followed by audience participation and discussion.

Moderator: Roger Peo, PhD Coordinator: Niela Miller LCSW

#### 12-2 pm KEYNOTE SPEAKERS LUNCHEON (Chow Goldstien) (\$15.00) Speaker: Jennifer Anne Stevens

Menu: Stir fried chicken and oriental vegetables, spring roll, steamed rice, bakery rolls, chef's dessert

# 2-5 pm DOMINANCE AND SUBMISSION (Bay Park Room)

The connections between consensual dominance and submission (D/S) activities, erotic power exchange, and transvestism; control issues and power dynamics in all human relationships, and the ways in which those dynamics interact with self-perception and self-presentation. Presenters: William Henkin & Subil Holiday

#### 2-3:30 pm A VISIT WITH ARIADNE KANE (Hamilton A)

International perspective on cross-gender activity, crossdressing and aging, dynamics of gender shift, and whatever else Ariadne has uppermost in her mind, or you want to discuss with her. Presenter: Ariadne Kane

# 3:30-5 pm ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS (Hamilton B)

How can ACOA extend to and help the considerable number of crossdressers whose early history was blighted by alcoholism in the family. Moderator: Jennifer Brown

- 6:30 pm GROUP PORTRAIT (Hampton Ballroom)
- 7-8 pm RECEPTION AND COCKTAIL PARTY (Hampton Ballroom)
- 8 pm 12 am FORMAL BANQUET (Hampton Ballroom)

Honoring Sr. Mary Elizabeth SSE, followed by a concert by Wendy Parker of 'Mister Sister'

Menu: Fresh fruit medley, mixed greens salad w/Italian dressing, filet mignon, baked potato, vegetable medley, roles, chef's dessert

## SUNDAY, APRIL 1:

# Theme of the day: Reverence and dedication

9-10 am NON-DENOMINATIONAL RELIGIOUS SERVICE (Hamilton A&B)

- 10-11 am OPEN FORUM (E Hampton)
- 10:30-11:30 am FEMALE TO MALE OPEN RAP (Harvard Room) (F-M's only) Discuss everything but the kitchen sink, carry-over of unfinished conversations. Moderator: Dan Riley

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11 am - 1 pm WIND-DOWN BRUNCH (Bay Park Room) Menu: Scrambled eggs with mushrooms, bacon, lyonnaise potatoes, breakfast bakeries, fresh squeezed OJ, coffee etc.

1:30-3 pm ADAM SOCIETY MEETING (Harvard Room) (F-M's only) Guests will include Sr. Mary Elizabeth SSE, and Holly Devor

# 1-4 pm IFGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (Hamilton A&B) Open to voting members and alternates to the IFGE Board, members of the IFGE committees, and members of the IFGE Congress of Representatives. All others interested in attending should clear it with Wendi Pierce (Chairperson of the Board) prior to the meeting.



Jim Bridges: Jim is a cosmetologist who carries his own line of make-up. Jim numbers among his clients Angela Lansbury, Sophia Loren, Linda Ronstadt, and countless very happy CD's. Jim is a true artist who will help you look your very best. For additional information call: 818-761-6650 (before 3/23)

Gloria - Lauren: Gloria - Lauren is an exquisite boutique for the fashionable large size woman. Clothing will be available at the convention, but the best way is to visit this wonderful shop in person. Call: 508-443-4247 ask for Terri or Gail

For The Fashionable L	arge Size Woman
Floria -	Lauren
Sudbury Inn Market Place	Bayberry Square
410 Boston Post Road Sudbury, MA 01776	637 Loudon Road
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Clothing from TKG Clothing (aka Gloria-Lauren) will be available at the 'Coming Together' Convention from Sunday, March 25, through Wednesday, March 28. Also, we will be presenting a fashion show, with Eve Burchert as our presenter, during the Keynote Speakers luncheon on Friday.

Our shop in Sudbury will also be open for your private shopping on Tuesday & Wednesday evenings from 6-8 pm.



# Feeling Female is a State of Mind

It has nothing to do with gender. we all have **masculine** and **feminine** energies within us. When we give free rein to both of these energies they can operate in balance and harmony--and we can be at peace.

I can help you refine your womanly image and empoweryou to experience and express the feminine side of your personality. Together we will attend to your color coordination and your makeup, and your posture, gesture, movement, and voice I also offer shopping services.

If you wish I can also help you to create a healthier balance between your masculine nd feminine energies. I offer phone consultations as well as personal appointments.

Please call me to arrange an Intial interview.

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