

From our Board President Rev. Wendy von Zirpolo and our Executive Director Craig Lentz

Ferry Beach is growing and thriving. We have just completed our busiest season ever and are in the best shape we have been in a long time because each of you have made a real connection to Ferry Beach and supported us over the years. Ferry Beach is so much more than a beautiful 32 acre campus in Saco, Maine, or 17 buildings that exist to serve you. Ferry Beach is the people who build the community anew each week, who come to renew their spirit.

As we begin our third annual stewardship pledge campaign, it is with confidence in our growth and future that we ask you to pledge generously. As our costs exponentially increase with each passing year, we continue to manage the resources entrusted to us to the best of our ability. Over the last five years, Ferry Beach has increased its revenue by over 50%! This is an incredible feat, but in order to keep our prices as affordable as possible, our budget remains very tight.

By making a generous pledge, you are making a statement that Ferry Beach is important to you and worthy of sharing. You are helping Ferry Beach to fully realize its mission to Unitarian Universalists and others seeking to live our faith more deeply within their hearts, home and in the world. Achieving that vision requires three things: that you continue to participate in Ferry Beach programs and volunteer efforts; that you offer your financial support; and, perhaps most importantly, you spread our good news! It begins with you. We need you. Together, we can make a difference.

In faith, Wendy and Craig

Celebrating Our Accomplishments



We have much to celebrate. Here are just some of the things the Ferry Beach community has accomplished together to build our foundation and act on our mission over the past year. We have:

- Served more guests than ever before!
- Hosted 3 Star Island Conferences at the beginning of the summer while they made necessary upgrades;
- Renovated Rowland Auditorium and renamed it "The GAYLA Theatre";
- Renovated the Minister of the Week Cottage and the Crew Chaplain Cottage with thanks to Family & Friends and the Ferry Beach Ecology School;
- Continued to renovate the Eleanor B. Forbes Chapel in the Grove;
- Added two new programs – Northeast UU Choral Festival, and a second week of FUUTURE Camp;
- Expanded and improved existing programs for adults, youth and families, thereby deepening our commitment to personal and spiritual growth;
- Upgraded the overall appearance of Ferry Beach through landscaping and painting.

Leadership of Ferry Beach Park Association

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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2008 Board of Directors Goals for Ferry Beach

Ferry Beach Park Association serves the Unitarian Universalist community by providing a welcoming place that supports individuals, families and congregations in their search for spiritual growth and in living our faith.

To further our vision, the Ferry Beach board and staff are:

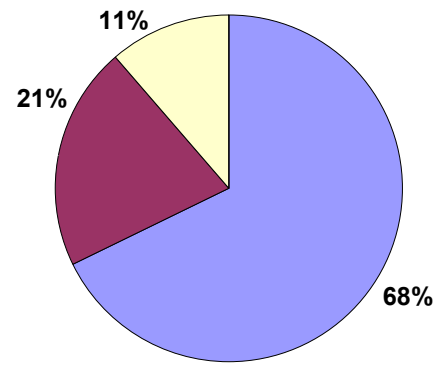
- Launching the Ferry Beach 2nd Century Fund Capital Campaign – Honoring our Past, Building our Future, focused on dune preservation, building a new dining room and kitchen, renovating Rowland bedrooms and bathrooms, increasing meeting space and building a new maintenance and storage facility;
- Working towards a Policy Governance Board of Directors;
- Expanding and improving our educational programs and spiritual growth opportunities;
- Deepening our members’ sense of ownership of the community and commitment to the mission of Ferry Beach;
- Improving our financial management systems and strengthening our fundraising initiatives;
- Strengthening communications and relationships with congregations, districts and the UUA, as well as our own Ferry Beach “family”;
- Establishing clear goals and objectives against which to measure accomplishments.

Immediate upcoming projects include:

- Completing the chapel benches;
- Painting Quillen bedrooms and halls.

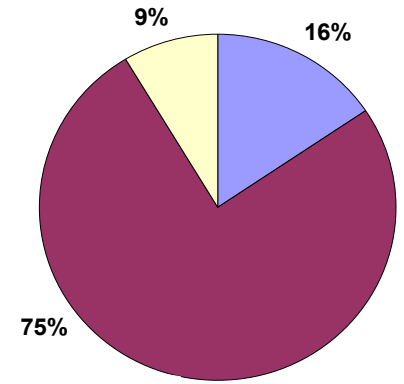
How We Raise and Spend our Money

Budgeted Revenue 2008



68% - Summer Conferences
 21% - Off-Season Rentals
 11% - Contributions

Budgeted Expenses 2008



75% - Program Expenses
 16% - Supporting Services & Management
 9% - Fundraising and Marketing Expenses

Note: It costs approximately \$400 per person to run Ferry Beach each year.

How Much Should I Pledge?

Please give as generously as you are able and as you are led to by the commitment, good will, joy and generosity you feel in your heart for Ferry Beach.

Pledge Campaign Goals 2008

Annual Pledge Amount	Pledges Needed
\$2,000 or more	10
\$1,000 - \$1,999	20
\$500 - \$999	40
\$250 - \$499	80
\$100 - \$249	100
\$50 - \$99	150
Goal = \$85,000	400 Pledges

Note: Pledges of \$100 or more include one Ferry Beach membership for 2008.

**Pledges of \$1000 or more include one Life Membership.



Why We Pledge



We pledge to Ferry Beach because we believe in its mission and we believe in the power it has to grow and deepen people's spirits. Here we experience community and sacred space that offer both renewal and challenge. Ferry Beach supports us in bringing our UU values into our family life, the life of our congregation and community, and into the larger world.

-- Stephen Vail and Gail Forsyth-Vail

Ferry Beach renews my spirit and gives me a deep sense of community.

-- D'Vorah Kelley

I support the Ferry Beach stewardship campaign for the same reasons I pledge to my local UU church. Ferry Beach needs funds beyond what it generates through conferences and church weekends in order to continue to make improvements to our buildings and property and to keep our intentional community strong and healthy.

-- Sandy Hopkins

Each time I leave Ferry Beach, I take with me a new piece of myself... what a treasure this haven is!

-- Julie Labbe

Four generations of our family have benefited from our summers at Ferry Beach. It is "home" to us, to which we return time after time for spiritual renewal as well as renewing experiences.

-- Bill and Barbara DeWolfe