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THOUGHTS FROM PAULA'S JOURNAL



This September I drove down the long road to a retreat site outside of Baton Rouge, LA. Yard after yard was piled high with ruined mattresses, carpeting, drapes - all manner of things water soaked and damaged by the recent flood waters. Seeing it first hand, the devastation became very literal. In writing retreats I always teach the writers to use details in the telling of a story because they convey the power and intimacy of the work.

The story comes alive when it shifts from concepts and ideas to visual pictures. Looking at the heaps of belongings waiting for trash pickup at the edge of each lawn spoke volumes to me about the lives affected by the surging waters and the enormous task of repair and rebuilding. This wasn't a news item; it was the impact on human lives and hearts.

The by-line for Red Bird Foundation is Reaching Hearts and Restoring Hope, and there are never a shortage of hearts to reach. As we continue to offer retreats and retreat scholarships, visit those in jail and in recovery, reach out to those struggling with loss or facing transitions, we hold that by-line in our line of vision.

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We remind ourselves frequently: We cannot do everything, but this one thing we can do.

It is because of you that our work is possible. All of your dollars, added together, equal a difference in many lives. Whether we meet individuals one on one or in large groups, and whether the encounter is in a jail cell or a great cathedral, for the one in whom healing is begun it is life altering. So our deepest thanks to you for partnering with us. Your contribution is the detail that changes someone's life.

In Memoriam: Sr. Mary Timothy Warren, RSM

January 5, 1926 - July 11, 2016

Our colleague in the work of RBF, a rigorous copy-editor, part of the team that brought WOMENSPEAK into being, a well of ideas and our great friend. Thank you with all our hearts.

FUNDRAISING

For the last three years fundraisers for RBF have been held in Austin, TX, Shreveport, LA and most recently, Lafayette, LA. In each city someone has volunteered to find a venue and sponsor a time when Paula can deliver a message of healing and hope to those attending, and also provide an opportunity for those attending to donate funds to further our work. The success of each of these events has been extraordinary, and we are deeply grateful. Special thanks to Lafayette for our most recent fundraiser and for your incredible success!



Centerpiece from Lafayette, LA fundraiser

On February 25, 2017, 10-3pm, we'll be in San Antonio, TX for our next fundraiser, and also to mark the ten year anniversary of WOMENSPEAK, an international gathering of women held in both 2007 and 2010, whose purpose was to bring women of all races and creeds together to become a voice of peace for the world.

Our celebration will be held at the Whitley Center, San Antonio, on the grounds of Oblate School of Theology. Paula D'Arcy will speak on the topic: THE BEATING OF OUR HEARTS, and there will be great music and many signs of hope to carry us forward.

TO REGISTER:

CONTACT : Cindy Libera at clibera@swbell.net

SEATED IS LIMITED TO 350 persons (both men and women), SO REGISTER EARLY. A gourmet box lunch will be provided.

Whether or not you can come to San Antonio, if you attended WOMENSPEAK, CONTACT US and send a paragraph that explains how your life was affected, possibly including some steps you may have taken to further the message you heard.

Registration opens November 1.

Announcing Paula's newest book,
STARS AT NIGHT:
When Darkness Unfolds As Light.
Release date is October 21,
and you can pre-order now on Amazon.

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