

Report of the Chairs of the upcoming 2022 All Star I Conference

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2021 Conference Survey Results (43 received)

Highlights

- Dining w/ staggered meal times; buffet; picnic tables on the porch
- Social hour outside w/ the Marshman stage for music
- Multi-Media capabilities....recording and streaming events
- Non traditional people taking on volunteer roles and doing great!
- Not as crowded as some previous year's conferences (easier to connect w/ more people)

Opportunities

- Child care during social hour – volunteers not showing up
- Children not attending morning chapel and it morphing into another adult chapel
- Grand March song
- Can we eliminate names on the room doors(?)

2022 Conference Dates: 7/2/2022 - 7/9/2022 (Saturday to Saturday)

Speaker of the week: Dan Post Senning is the great-great grandson of Emily Post....yes that Emily Post of the Emily Post Institute. And no, we will not be learning about table place settings and manners, because even though the Emily Post Institute just celebrated their 75th anniversary, they are very much about the modern world we all live in now. Dan is a published author – “The Etiquette Advantage of Business” and “Manners in a Digital World: Living Well Online”. Dan specializes in relationship building and conducts business etiquette seminars and speeches around the world. In addition, Dan and his cousin, Lizzie Post, answer 21st century etiquette questions on “Awesome Etiquette”, a podcast from American Public Media. Next summer, Dan will explore with us what it means to reconnect with ourselves and our family and perhaps bring some of the Star Island spirit to our wider communities.

Speaker's Theme: *Working Title* “Consideration, Respect, and Honesty....Creating and Nurturing Our Relationships and Communities In Today's World”

Minister of the week: Nancy Wood

New Ideas for 2022

- Celebrating the 75th anniversary of All Star 1! (1946 – 2022)
 - Banquet night theme; Talk on the Rocks – history of All Star 1
- Opening night social hour in Brookfield – celebrating Vermont cheese and craft beers
- Celebrating democracy on July 4th
 - Parade w/ more instruments, themed desert, best costume contest, reading of the Declaration of Independence
- Volunteer day – building community
- Investigating bringing a singer/songwriter to the island for a workshop and possible concert
- Sandpiper Newsletter – electronic
- Stargazing w/ the telescope
- More book group discussions
 - Various topics and age groups

- Tournaments will be back!
- “Try something new”
 - Pickleball
 - Beginner yoga
 - Create something artistic
 - Write some poetry (maybe using the typewriter)