ISB NETWORK NEWS

ISB Reunion 2000
By Kris Stahlman '71, Reunion Coordinator

In only 10 short months the ISB Network will be hosting its first reunion of the Millennium! What a better place to reunite than in Williamsburg, Virginia at a landmark hotel situated on a historic battlefield. For nearly three hundred years, people have gathered in Williamsburg to share ideas, resolve conflict, and celebrate triumph.

The reunion will be held August 4 - 6, 2000 at the Radisson Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center. The hotel is located 1 mile from Colonial Williamsburg. A few blocks away you will find Busch Gardens Williamsburg, a 17th Century European-style theme park. Other nearby areas of interest are Water Country USA, award-winning golf on several challenging courses and nature lovers can tour by bike or foot on extensive, easy, winding trails.

Budgeting for and attending ISB reunions every two years has become a way of life for a large number of us these past years. For those of you new to the network, the reunion committee offers these cost saving recommendations for budgeting this memorable event. If you're traveling alone, share a room with a few of your fellow classmates. Visit our web site regularly for the latest update on alumni registrations. Buy your airline tickets EARLY! Check out prices on the Internet. Find out what the arrival/departure times are of other alumni and share the ride to/from the airport, or split the cost of a rental car.

Hotel and Hotel Reservation Information

Hotel rate is $89/night and is good from Wednesday, August 2 - 6, 2000. We have blocked 200 rooms in anticipation of the largest reunion to date. Each individual will be responsible for making their own reservations by calling the hotel at 1-800-333-3333.

Suites are available on a first come first serve basis for those of you interested in reserving one rather than a standard room. Rates for a Junior Suite (2 double beds & pull out bed, kitchenette) are $199/night. Rates for Executive suites (2 double beds and a pull-out king size bed, large living room and kitchenette) are $250/night.

All reservations must be made by July 1, 2000, at which time any rooms not reserved will be released for public sale. The hotel will be sold out that weekend between our room block

and the room blocks reserved for the two other groups booked for that weekend. Anyone attempting to make hotel reservations AFTER July 1, 2000 will be booked at the overflow hotel, Quarter Pass Inn, which is located next door to the Radisson.

All reservations must be guaranteed. A deposit equivalent to one night's room and tax or by a major credit card is required. The hotel must be notified 48 hours prior to arrival to avoid a no-show fee of one night's room and tax being charged. Guest check-in time is 4:00 PM to ensure that the room is clean upon your arrival. Check-out time is 11:00 AM.

With prior notice, the hotel will be happy to provide any attraction tickets and can put together a package plan for multiple attractions.

There will be two hospitality rooms at the hotel. The Kearny Room will be open Friday & Saturday from 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM. The Shack merchandise will be on display and sold from this room. We will also have our Thailand memorabilia, yearbooks and videos set up in the Kearny Room. Class Reps will be on hand to meet and greet the newcomers and answer any ISB related questions. Refreshments will also be provided in the Kearny Room.

Friday and Saturday afternoons and evenings we will have a hospitality suite available as another gathering spot. This tends to be the "hot" spot after the official activities are over and the bar has closed down.

The hotel has an indoor and outdoor swimming pool. Hours are 7:00 AM - 11:00 PM daily. However, the hotel has made special arrangements to extend the pools hours for our exclusive use between the hours of 11:00 PM and 1:00 AM. No other hotel guests will be permitted to use the pools during these hours.

Other hotel accommodations include hot tub, sauna and exercise room, lighted outdoor tennis courts, restaurant, sports bar/lounge, game room (for the children).

Entertainment

The ISB alumnus band has agreed to provide live music for the customary Saturday evening dinner/dance. Apart from a few

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favorites that must go along with any reunion dance, the band will feature a new expanded repertoire. This band is comprised of ISB Alumni who used to play at the Teen Clubs in Bangkok, and they are ready to take you back to relive the experience of those Saturday night dances many years ago.

Reunion Registration Information

The reunion registration fee is in addition to your hotel reservation rate. The reunion registration fee is $100 for alumni and $90 for spouses and guests. Children under the age of six are free. Registration entitles each person to attend all the Friday through Sunday events listed on page 3. In addition, alumni will receive an Alumni Package and other items.

PLEASE SEND IN THE REUNION REGISTRATION FORM AS EARLY AS YOU CAN! This will help the reunion committee members plan in advance many of the details that go on behind the scenes, e.g. accurate counts for badges, Alumni packages, Shack merchandise, food and beverage requirements.

There will be a late fee of $20.00 after July 1, 2000. You can use the registration form included in this newsletter, or visit the ISB Network web site at http://www.ISBNETWORK.com to download the form. We accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express, personal check or money order made payable to ISB Network, Inc. Your name will be posted on our web site when you send us your registration fees. Check it on a regular basis to see who's coming to the reunion.

Travel Arrangements

With nearly 500 alumni residing in the Mid Atlantic region we are anticipating a large number of alumni driving to this reunion. Or for those of you wanting to extend your family vacation this summer and take advantage of visiting the near by DC area, Williamsburg, Virginia is approximately a 2 hour drive from the Washington Reagan (National) airport. It 's approximately a 45

By Car

Washington DC:
Take 95 South towards Richmond. When you get close to Richmond, take 295 Bypass around Richmond. On the other side of Richmond, pick up 64 East towards Williamsburg. Take the Williamsburg 242A exit. This will put you on Highway 199. Stay on 199 for about 2 miles. Take the 60 East/West exit. When you come down the off ramp to the stop sign, turn left on 60 West. The Hotel is about one mile on the left.

Norfolk/Newport News:
Take Interstate 64 West towards Richmond/Williamsburg. Take the Williamsburg 242A exit. This will put you on Highway 199. Stay on 199 for about 2 miles. Take the 60 East/West exit. When you come down the off ramp to the stop sign, turn left on 60 West. The Hotel is about one mile on the left.

Richmond:
Take 64 East towards Williamsburg 242A exit. This will put you on Highway 199. Stay on 199 for about 2 miles. Take the 60 East/West exit. When you come down the off ramp to the stop sign, turn left on 60 West. The Hotel is about one mile on the left.

Do you recognize this emblem?

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Design "scrubbed" by Dennis Schaefer

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By Air/Train/Bus

Commercial Air Carriers	Norfolk Intl.	Newport News/ Williamsburg	Richmond Intl.
American Airlines	X		X
Delta Airlines	X		X
Continental	X		X
Northwest	X		X
United	X		X
US Air	X		
TWA	X		X
AirTran		X	

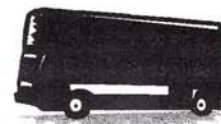| Commuter Air Carriers	Norfolk Intl.	Newport News/ Williamsburg	Richmond Intl.
American Eagle	X		X
TWA Express	X		X
United Express	X	X	X
USAIR Express		X	

AMTRAK	Bus Service	Carolina Trailways
Williamsburg Passenger Station (757) 229-8750 Information & Reseravations (800) 872-7245	Greyhound Bus AMTRAK Station Williamsburg (757) 220-1460	AMTRAK Station Williamsburg (757) 220-1460

Airport Ground Transportation

Groome Transportation	Groome Transportation	Williamsburg Limousine
Norfolk Int'l Airport (757) 857-1231	Richmond Int'l Airport (804) 222-7222 (800) 552-7911	Newport News/Williamsburg Airport (757) 877-0279

Schedule of Events

Date	Time	Function
Thursday, August 3, 2000	TBA	Board Meeting
Thursday, August 3, 2000	10:00 am – 6:00 pm	Reunion set up
Thursday, August 3, 2000	7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Dutch Treat Thai Dinner
Friday, August 4, 2000	9:00 am– 10:00 am	Volunteer Training
Friday, August 4, 2000	10 am – 6:00 pm`	Registration
Friday, August 4, 2000	10 am – 6:00 pm	Kearny Room – Reception area
Friday, August 4, 2000	6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Cocktail party/cash bar
Friday, August 4, 2000	8:30 pm – 1:00 am	ISB/Bangkok videos and archive display in the Kearny Room – for those who want a quieter, more intimate atmosphere (cash bar)
Friday, August 4, 2000	8:30 pm -	Hospitality Suite – music and mingle
Saturday, August 5, 2000	8:00 am	Scramble Golf Tournament
Saturday, August 5, 2000	10:00am – 11:30 am	Kearny Room – Reception area
Saturday, August 5, 2000	11:30 am – 1:30 pm	BBQ in courtyard/house games (cash bar)
Saturday, August 5, 2000	7:00 pm 1:30 am	Dinner/Dance in the Ballroom (cash bar)
Sunday, August 6, 2000	1:30 am -	Hospitality Suite – music and mingle
Sunday, August 6, 2000	8:00 am – 10:00 am	Business Meeting/Continental Breakfast
Sunday, August 6, 2000	10:00 am – 2:00 pm	Volunteer Committee to pack up registration area, hospitality suite and Kearny Room

ISB Network History
1983-1999
By Mimi Parks '73

It all started for me in 1982 when fellow classmates from the class of 1973 began writing one another to try to organize a 10 year reunion for us in 1983. At the time, I was living in the United Kingdom. Although we had a mailing list given to us before graduation, it was 10 years old and many of the addresses were now non-existent. We did have our 10 year reunion, thanks to Carroll Smeltzer and a few others who helped organize it in Denver in 1983. Upon my return to the states in August 1983, I promised myself I would not let anymore time slip away without trying to find my fellow classmates and organize another reunion. Joe Condrill, '73 had the same vision and we started with our list given to us from ISB of 141 addresses and lists from fellow classmates we were in touch with. Within 6 months classmates sent us lists from two previous reunions, one held for the class of 1971 in Denver in 1981, organized by Bob Athearn and Tony Rickard, and one held in Washington DC in the 70's for the classes of '67,'68, and '69 (list provided by the Doggetts). We used those lists to attempt to find our classmates. As we began contacting people on the lists they wanted to be included in our mailings even though they weren't in our class. By May of 1984 our list had grown to about 300 names mostly from the classes of '71-'75. We decided to organize a reunion for August of 1984 and so the ISB Network was born.

Atlanta 1984- August 10-12, Atlanta Airport Hilton Inn; 125 people. During the business meeting plans were made to form an alumni group (mainly the '70s) for all associated with ISB, publish newsletters, mailing list, biography book, and hold a second reunion in two years.

San Diego 1986- August 15-17, Holiday Inn; 213 people. The mailing list had grown to over a thousand. The alumni group included the '60s.

Boston 1988- August 5-7, Marriott Cambridge;180 people.

San Antonio 1990- August 10-12, Fountain Plaza Hotel; 300 people.

Seattle 1992- July 30- August 2, Airport Red Lion; 165 people.

Clearwater 1994- August 4-7, Sheraton Sand Key Resort; 200 people. Gil Hair '60 provided lists from mini reunions he organized in '61, '63, and '83 for the classes of 1958, '59, and'60 in Washington DC.

Dallas 1996- July 25-28, Harvey Hotel Addison; 150 people.

Long Beach 1998-August 7-9, Sea Port Marina Hotel, 345 people.

The following people played major roles in helping incorporate the ISB Network and kept it running: Sarah Lynn Barringer '68, John Dammon '69, Babette Trout Dammon '72, Jim Hanlon '73, Joe Condrill '73, Robert Bridges '70, Jed Davis '70, Dave Wilkerson '71, Keith Hatton '70, Faith Mercuro '75.

Over the years others have served as class reps, reunion coordinators, have worked during reunions and provided other services: Gil Hair '60, Rudy Xavier '62, Dori Ahlborn '69, Don Nibblett '70, Mike Daly '71, Joe Myers '71, Bob Athearn '71, Greg Merritt '71, Carole Cole-Sheneberger '72, Diane Curtis Pearson '72, Terry Rogers Bishop '72, Jill McAlvage Smith '72, Debbie Ahlborn '72, Steve Apple '73, Brian Burleigh '73, Debbi Dietrich '73, Paul Fuelling '73, John Bankhead '73, Barb Johnson '73, Tony Grady '73, Sara Noss '73, Pam Alexander '74, Debbie Hollier '74, Diane Darling '76, Kate Johnson '76, Donna Alexander '76, Alex Aakesson '76, John Aakesson '78, the entire Ewing family, and faculty members Paul Rashap, Nancy Sime, and Larry Sime.

The ISB Network is one of 240 active or inactive alumni groups representing 178 overseas schools located in 56 countries around the world. In comparison to other overseas alumni groups, the ISB Network has held more major reunions than most. The ISB Network actively cooperates with these groups, offering help, friendship, and the coordination of activities. Officers and members of the ISB Network have participated in the OVERSEAS BRATS "gatherings", the annual national convention for all those associated with overseas schools, as course presenters and exhibitors since 1991. One of the founders of the ISB Network, Joe Condrill '73 is also the founder and president of OVERSEAS BRATS.

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Today, the ISB Network is a successful, incorporated, not-for-profit organization with over 345 paying members and an active board comprised of ISB alumni. Through the diligence of the board, the class representatives and others mentioned above, the number of ISB alumni on our database has grown to 3780.

The ISB Network would not be in existence today or have survived for 17 years without the loyalty, work, and time that each member has put into the Network. Every person who mentions, writes, or calls someone plays an integral part in the Network.

Vietnam Trilogy

By Ellen Ehle Schaefer '62

I

In 1958, when I was 13 years old, I accompanied my mother to Saigon. She was a Foreign Service Officer with the US State Department. From 1951 to 1956 I lived with her in India on another assignment, so I was prepared to make further adjustments to yet another culture, another language, another school, another set of friends. After the chaos and color of India, I was not prepared for the relative serenity and European flavor of Saigon's tree-lined boulevards. The French left behind not only their lilting language, but a flair for creating a visually enchanting downtown. Until the American Embassy was able to find us a house, we stayed for several weeks at a quayside hotel overlooking the Saigon River. Plans were made for me to begin 9th Grade at the Embassy Correspondence School, not-so-charmingly located in a Quonset hut near town.

Life was easy for this typical teenager during the six months we lived in Vietnam. I swam at the Sports Club, scootered around town on a friend's moped, did my homework, and cavorted in the South China Sea, which lapped against beautiful beaches to the north. Little was I aware of the political unrest roiling beneath the calm surface of my world in Vietnam. As we left Tan Son Nhut Airport for four years in Bangkok, Thailand, President Diem was about to be overthrown and this beautiful country of peaceful people was at the brink of a plunge into a terrible war.

II

In the fall of 1962, I returned to the US to attend college, after graduating from the International School in Bangkok. Although I attended a very small, liberal college in Vermont, after so many years abroad I felt very much like an outsider. My roots in Asia were strong and my empathy for its countrymen was unswerving. After all, my childhood was essentially molded by the customs, culture and people of Far Eastern lands. When the war in Vietnam invaded the consciences of many of my college friends, I joined them in a stand against the killing and we traveled to the March on the Pentagon in Washington DC. My sister, attending a Quaker boarding school in Pennsylvania, met us there. And we marched - thousands and thousands of us - from the Lincoln Memorial across the Potomac to the Pentagon, which was ringed with hundreds of armed troops. We went peaceably, and placed flowers in their rifle barrels. My sister was separated from us, and the next morning she called from a Virginia jail requesting that we post bail. She told us she was unceremoniously dragged by her hair to a police van and later shared a cell with Joan Baez, joyfully singing anti-war songs through the night. We were almost envious.

III

In the early 80's I visited a dear friend in Virginia who shared my high school days in Bangkok (Gail Loudermilk Kirk '61). She was a close assistant to Robert Kennedy in Washington, and in the course of her work after his death, took many visitors to see the Vietnam Memorial. Although I only had a few days with her, she insisted I visit The Wall. She told me that every time she went, she wept. I wondered if I would also weep. After all, this was a war I detested and protested.

I weep now, as I did then. Walking closer and closer to those black slabs and seeing names - so many names - I was overwhelmed with sadness at the loss of brave, young men who fell and died so far away. Still, a part of me has to wonder: *What if there were also a wall in Vietnam inscribed with the names of so many Vietnamese loved ones gone?*

Note to Non-Members

We would like to invite you to join the ISB Network. The ISB Network is a not-for-profit organization formed for the sole purpose of collecting and maintaining a database of people who attended ISB, and promoting/hosting a reunion every two years. You don't have to graduate from ISB to be a member (and you don't have to be a member to attend the reunions). Membership dues and sales from "The Shack Mercantile" are our only source of revenue. For information on dues and benefits, please see the Network synopsis on page 2.

Help Wanted

Your help is needed in order to make our newsletter a more interesting and informative publication.

We eagerly solicit contributions from all of you. They can be on any topic of interest; for instance, your own stories about life at ISB and growing up in Asia, suggestions about how our ISB Network can serve you better, letters to the editor on any subject, or Op Ed pieces on anything that concerns you.

Because we are a well-educated, sophisticated and well-traveled bunch with a wide range of interests, we'll all be eager to read your thoughts and feelings about issues that affect not only ISB and our fellow alumni, but also about issues that affect us and our families in a broader way. You can also write about matters that affect our countries as a whole.

Please let us hear from you so we can help produce a newsletter that you'll be proud of, and will be responsive to your needs.

Van Bucher, Editor

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Reunion Volunteers Needed

The ISB reunion committee is comprised of a group of dedicated volunteers who devote hundreds of hours planning, organizing and hosting ISB reunions every two years. The committee is looking for volunteers to spend a few hours helping the committee with some of the logistics. The more volunteers we have signed up to help, the less time you will be required to work. If you can help, please contact one of the committee member listed below to sign up:

On site Registration – Rudy Xavier '62 Database Coordinator
Email: rxavier@ix.netcom.com home phone: (925) 484-2373

Need approximately 25 - 30 volunteers to work a one hour shift handling on site registration. Please provide computer skills when signing up. Will be trained to handle credit card transactions.

Class Rep Reception Committee – John Bankhead '73 Coordinator Class Reps
Email: bankhead5@webtv.com home phone: (801) 965-9614

Need all the class reps attending the reunion to work a one hour shift to meet and greet newcomers upon registration, guide them to the Kearny Room where we will have our Shack merchandise and Thailand memorabilia display set-up. Connect them with other members from their class and generally make them feel welcome.

Registration Badges – Kris Stahlman '71 Reunion Coordinator
Email: kstahlman@earthlink.com home phone: (408) 559-7147, fax number: (408) 559-5285

Volunteers are needed prior to the reunion to help scan class photos for badges. Please contact Kris Stahlman if you have access to a scanner and a computer. Also looking for Yearbooks (all years) to loan to the volunteers. Yearbooks will be returned to the owners after the photos have been scanned. If your picture didn't appear in a yearbook please send a photo from that period in time or email her a scanned image of your photo. These photos will be archived for creating future reunion badges.

The Shack – David Wilkerson '71 ISB Merchandise
Email: ISBALUMDAW@aol.com work phone: (615) 242-2925 fax: (615) 242-9528

Need approximately 20 volunteers to work approximately one hour shift to sell ISB merchandise. Will be trained on handling credit card transactions.

House Games – Mimi Drake Parks '73 CEO
Email: mparks@surfsouth.com home phone: (912) 559-1861 fax: (912) 559-1838

Volunteers needed to develop and coordinate the house games held on Saturday, August 5, 2000 from 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm.

Reunion 2000 Tidbits

Bring Your ISB Memorabilia to the Reunion

If you will be attending the reunion, please bring along as much of your ISB memorabilia as possible. The ISB Network will be bringing a lot of items for display, but the more we have the better the presentation will be for everyone, this includes any videos you may have. These archives will be on display in the Kearny Room. They will be in an area where no drinks or food will be permitted to prevent possible damage to our treasures.

Reunion 2000 Commemorative T-shirt Design Contest

Calling all graphic artists! We know you're out there. Now is your chance to enter your design for the "I Survived Youth In Asia" Reunion 2000 t-shirt. The winner of the contest will receive $100 of Shack merchandise of your choice. Please submit your t-shirt design no later than May 1, 2000 to:

David Wilkerson
C/o Techstar Services
750 Cowan Street #9
Nashville, TN 37207

ISB Network Reunion 2000
Registration Form

International Children's Center (ICC – 1951-1956)/International School Bangkok (ISB – 1957 on)
Use this form to register for the 2000 Reunion to be held in Williamsburg, VA. August 4-6, 2000. You can also down load this form from our web site home page at http://www.ISBNETWORK.com. Simply fill out the form and return it with your payment to:

ISB Network Inc.
P.O. Box 74
Libertytown, MD. 21762-9998
(925) 461-1812
email: ISBNETWORK@aol.com
Web: http://members.aol.com/isbnetwork

Class Year	Name of Attendee	Classification	Fee/ Person	Cost
		☐ ICC/ISB Alumni	$100	
		☐ ICC/ISB Alumni	$100	
		☐ Spouse/Friend	$90	
		☐ Parent ☐ Child	$80	
		☐ Parent ☐ Child	$80	
		☐ Child	$80	
	ISB Network Membership Fee*	Jan 1999 – Dec 2000	$40	
		Total Cost:		

*You do not need to be a Member of the ISB Network to attend the reunion. However, we do appreciate your support by becoming one.

A late fee of $20.00 will be added to all rates above for registrations after July 1, 2000.

Please select payment choice below:

☐ Check or Money Order made payable to: ISB Network, Inc.
☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard   ☐ American Express

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp: _____ / _____

Name as it appears on credit card (print): _____

Authorization Signature: _____ Date: _____

Address to mail receipt and registration acknowledgement (please include daytime phone number):

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☐ Check here if you would like to attend the Thursday evening dutch-treat Thai dinner

☐ Check here if you would like to participate in the Golf Tournament

THE SHACK MERCANTILE

Here is the current price list for items from "The Shack Mercantile".   *They make GREAT Christmas gifts!*

Store Item	Price
Black T-Shirt with Gold ISB Logo	$15.00
White Limited Edition TAHO 1998 Long Beach Reunion T-Shirt — four-color (while they last)	$09.00
Grey T-Shirt with "I Survived Youth In Asia" Dallas 96 Limited Edition (while they last)	$09.00
Dallas 1996 Limited Edition (while they last)	$09.00
Black Track Shirt (tank top) with Gold Panther and ISB lettering	$19.00
Black Track Shorts with Gold Panther and ISB lettering	$18.00
Black or Gold Sweat Shirt with ISB Logo (please specify color)	$21.00
White Golf Shirt with ISB Logo	$18.00
Black or White Baseball Hat with ISB Logo (please specify color)	$06.75
White Golf Towel with ISB Logo	$06.75
Black Bicycle Shorts with ISB Logo	$23.00
White (button up) Baseball Shirt with ISB Logo	$19.00
Singha Beer Mugs — Glass with Handle	$15.00
Large Coffee Mug — Black with Gold trim on Mouth with ISB Logo	$15.00
International School Bangkok Alumni License Plate — Black frame with Gold writing	$06.00
6-Pack Drink Cooler From Long Beach Reunion — Green with Black writing, Seaport Marina Hotel & ISB Logo (while they last)	$08.00
VHS Video: "Perspectives" 30-minute history of ISB	$11.00

When ordering XXL, add $2.00 for each T-Shirt and $3.00 for each Sweat Shirt.

Normal Priority Mail (2-3 days) via the U.S. Postal Service for any destination within the United States is $4.20 for first item and 1.00 per additional item for clothing, license plate frames, or coolers. All Glass items, Singha Mugs, Coffee Mugs, $5.00 for first item and $2.00 for each additional. Please contact David Wilkerson for overseas shipping costs, or any other questions concerning The Shack Merchandise, or phone The Shack Mercantile at **(615) 242-2925.**

The ISB Network offers you the choice of paying by Check or Credit Card. Either payment choice should be made payable to The ISB Network. Currently, while we research a proper encryption process to protect credit card information, we have created a Credit Card Ordering Form you can print out and use. Simply mail your order along with either a check or the credit card form, to **David Wilkerson, c/o Techstar Services, 750 Cowan Street #9, Nashville TN 37207.** Items ordered will be sent Express Mail or UPS to provide some guarantee you'll receive your order in time for the holidays.

A current "Shack" item and price list is always available by visiting the ISB Network home page at http://members.aol.com/isbnetwork.

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(Address correction requested)

ISB Reunion 2000 Registration Form Enclosed!