

## **Boston Center of Self-Realization Fellowship Plum Island Pilgrimage Event – Sunday, June 8th**

*"I have always had a very strong belief that anyone who makes a devout pilgrimage to a place made sacred by the Guru's presence ... and prays with faith, will receive a direct response. I have seen this work in my own life and in the lives of others. The idea is to link our faith with the divine blessings." Sri Daya Mata (Finding the Joy within You, page 195.)*

Please join us for our annual pilgrimage to Plum Island in Newburyport MA where Paramahansa Yogananda and Doctor Lewis held a 5-hour meditation on the jetty rocks in April 1921. Family and friends are warmly invited!

It takes approximately one hour to drive from the Boston Center to the Plum Island Beach, North Reservation Terrace parking lot where we will meet. Please see Driving Directions below. There is a \$25 parking fee. Public restrooms are available in a small building in the parking lot near the playground.

We will gather in the parking lot beside the Jason Sawyer Playground at 2:00 pm and walk together to the jetty. The walk takes about 17 minutes (10 minutes walking on pavement, 5 minutes walking on a mat over the sand, and 2 minutes on soft sand to the jetty location where we will gather for the Pilgrimage Event).

The Pilgrimage Event will start at 2:30pm and last approximately 30 minutes. It will include a brief meditation, a reading and a rose petal ceremony.

We recommend for your comfort that you bring a folding chair or beach towel to sit on, and an extra sweater or jacket (as the weather beside the ocean can be cooler than inland).

Following the event, please feel free to join devotees who will be gathering at an Indian restaurant called "Mr. India" located at 140 High Street (at the corner of High and Green Streets) in Newburyport, to enjoy a meal together. Parking is on the street. There are also two public parking lots several blocks away: "State Street Parking Lot" at 98 State Street (3 blocks away), and "Prince Place Parking Lot" at 13-15 Prince Place (5 blocks away).

In the event of rain the Plum Island Pilgrimage will be canceled.

### **Driving Directions:**

For your GPS, enter Plum Island Beach, North Reservation Terrace, Newburyport MA 01950.

If you are unable to use GPS, here is a suggested route: Take Route I-95 North to Exit 86 which is Rte. 113 to Newburyport. Follow Rte. 113 East, for about three miles into Newburyport (the road becomes High Street). After you pass by State Street, take the next left onto Fruit Street (which becomes Fair Street), and follow it to the end. Turn right on Water Street (which becomes Plum Island Turnpike) and follow for about three miles to Plum Island. As you enter Plum Island, continue straight to the end of Plum Island Turnpike and take a left onto Northern Boulevard, and follow it to the end. The parking lot will be on the right.