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100 Women Making a Difference

It seemed an impossible task. Countless women in this city are devoted to their families, careers, social causes, the arts, politics, health issues, and, in general, creating a better world for themselves and future generations. For "100 Women Making a Difference," our goal was to narrow the pool of candidates to the magical number 100. It wasn't an easy task, evident as nominations started flowing into our office by phone, mail and fax. In the end, we focused predominantly on women who are making a difference with softer voices, who may not be household names, but who are making an impact through their careers, volunteerism, activism and attitude. Our thanks to the women on the following pages and those we could not feature due to space and time constraints. Consider these women to be our mentors, our proof that we are making incredible strides to improve the status of women everywhere. These women, our sisters, inspire us, bring us hope for the future and instill in us the faith that, together, we can all make a difference.



Sheila Glazov, president, Visual Impact Planning®

Creativity is a keynote in Sheila's life and career. She adapted Walt Disney's storyboarding technique into a format to help managers keep meetings creative and flowing. Later on she became president and the "Visioneer*" of her company. "I saw a need to help people unlock and enhance professional and personal creativity," she explains. Sheila describes herself as "a responsible wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, friend, Jewess, educator, entrepreneur, community leader." And somewhere within these roles, she finds time to read, garden and ride on the back of a Harley with her husband.