

SOW THE SEEDS OF LOVE

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Luncheons: Tuesdays, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m. The Princeton Club – 15 W. 43rd Street

FELLOWSHIP DAY

Our speaker for this day will be each one of you.

Speak to each other

about yourselves, your businesses, your ideas, and your committees.

Speak to a new member

Bring a guest and let him/her feel the Fellowship and meet our members.

This is a perfect opportunity for chair people to meet with their committees and report committee progress at the microphone!!

ON FELLOWSHIP DAYS LUNCHEONS WILL BE SERVED BUFFET STYLE





September 3rd
FELLOWSHIP DAY

September 10th
Adi Roche
Chernobyl Children Project

September 17th
Christine Scornavacca
Metropolitan
Art Museum

September 24th Austria Day

October 1st FELLOWSHIP DAY

October 8th
JJ. Goldberg
The Jewish Forward

October 15th
Tom Lipscomb
Political Commentator,
Journalist

MEMBERS COLUMN

After work fun at Annie Moore's

David Del Monte and Tim O'Brien invite all New York Rotary Club members to an "after-work group for Rotary fellowship". The gathering will take place every third Wednesday (5 P.M. to 7 P.M.) of each month at Annie Moore's on East 43rd Street near Vanderbilt Avenue/Grand Central. The first gathering on July 24th, was both fun and successful.



ANNUAL DUES AND LUNCHEON COUPON PAYMENTS

THE ANNUAL DUES AND ADVANCE LUNCHEON COUPON PAYMENTS FOR THE FIRST HALF OF FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003, ARE NOW <u>PAST DUE</u>. IF YOU HAVE NOT YET SUBMITTED YOUR PAYMENT, PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR QUICK FOLLOW-UP.

MEMBERSHIP PROPOSALS

The Board of Directors has approved the following applicants. Any written objections must be received at the Club office by September 10, 2002

MIKHAIL PETROV CEO Company: Digital Edge

Suggested Classification: Digital Printing Technology

Sponsors: David Zeller

Silvio Amori

GIOVANNI VITALONI Rear Admiral

Company: Permanent Mission of Italy to the UN

Suggested Classification: UN Military Advisor— Italy

Sponsors: Silvio Amori Giorgio Balestrieri

RAFFAELLO GHERARDINI Director

Company: Capital Partners 2000, Inc.

Suggested Classification: Real Estate Marketing

Sponsors: Silvio Amori Giorgio Balestrieri

Happy Birthday Fellow Rotarians

Mort Eydenberg – September 6th



REPORTER OF THE WEEK Tuesday, August 27, 2002

President Silvio Amori opened the meeting, with Scarlett Pildes singing "The Star Spangled Banner." Giorgio Balestrieri gave the invocation. Volker Detering introduced one Rotarians from the U.S. and three Rotarians from other countries.

President Silvio then introduced Ozge Saritosun, the Co-Secretary of the Rotaract Club, who told of several activities of the club, including serving at a soup kitchen in East Harlem, gathering computers for St. Lucia, and starting a back-to-school program in Turkey and other countries.

David Del Monte introduced our guest speaker, Mr. David Roosevelt, the grandson of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and Eleanor Roosevelt. He has an extensive and interesting background. He noted that he had split his career into 15 years as an investment banker and the remainder in philanthropy. He discussed excerpts from his recently written book, to be published and on the market by Christmas of 2002, titled "Grandmere: A Personal History of Eleanor Roosevelt." He described the book as "a non-scholarly, hopefully intimate look" at his grandmother Eleanor and her life and his days with her. He described his early years as a child with his grandparents. Eleanor was called "Grandmere," the French name he knew from the French maids. He wrote the book to give his children and grandchildren and the broad public an intimate look at this extraordinary woman. He noted that he became fully aware of her influence on himself and the world when he was 20 years old. When she died, he saw the many dignitaries from all over the world who came to pay their respects and to mourn her loss to the world. He was awakened to his own broad heritage, and he remembers his grandmother's advice to be proud of his heritage but to live his own life. He hopes the book will let others know the warmth and humanity of Eleanor as a grandmother as well as the "First Lady of the World."

Many interesting questions were asked regarding his personal life with grandparents Eleanor and Franklin. Since he grew up in Fort Worth, Texas, he was involved in his own family's life but related several stories of the public and private lives of Eleanor; Franklin; Louis Howe; Anna, the daughter Lucy Mercer; the mistress, Sarah; the domineering and influential mother of Franklin who insisted on maintaining the marriage publicly. The marriage survived as a partnership, which benefited the USA and the world.

-Rotarian William A. Hall