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JOSEPH BELLUCK



Joseph W. Belluck, a partner in the law firm of Belluck & Fox, LLP, specializes in consumer, environmental, and defective product litigation. Mr. Belluck previously served as counsel to the New York State Attorney General, representing the State of New York in its litigation against the tobacco industry. Mr. Belluck was instrumental in settling New York State's tobacco lawsuit for \$25 billion. Mr. Belluck also served as Director of Attorney Services for Trial Lawyers Care, an organization dedicated to providing free legal assistance to victims of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

Mr. Belluck has lectured frequently on product liability, tort law, and tobacco control policy, and is considered an expert on consumer law and tort litigation. An experienced civil trial and appellate litigator, Mr. Belluck is an adjunct lecturer of law at Buffalo Law School, where he teaches a course on mass torts.

He has handled several major cases involving injuries from asbestos, defective medical products, tobacco, and lead paint, and has tried several cases to verdict, including a verdict in excess of \$1 million dollars against the asbestos industry.

Mr. Belluck is an active member of several bar associations and serves on the Board of Directors of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the SLAPP Resource Center, an

organization dedicated to protecting the right to free speech.

Mr. Belluck graduated magna cum laude from the SUNY-Buffalo School of Law in 1994. During law school, he served as Articles Editor of the Buffalo Law Review and received the New York State Bar Association's Legal Ethics Award.

After law school, Mr. Belluck served as a judicial law clerk for Justice Lloyd Doggett of the Texas Supreme Court, and then as staff attorney and consumer lobbyist for Ralph Nader's Public Citizen organization in Washington, D.C.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 21st
Joseph Belluck, Es q. *ELECTION DAY*

January 28th Sarah Stranahan The Need More Fund

February 4th Hon. Eliot Spitzer Attorney General February 11th
Julie Stewart
Families against
mandatory minimums

MEMBERS COLUMN ROSTER PICTURE

In order to complete the roster directory for 2002-2003, we kindly request that you provide us with a photograph of your choice and address changes. Since the deadline for printing is coming up shortly we would appreciate your follow up on this matter by January 21st. You can e-mail a photo in Jpeg format to ny.rotary@verizon.net, or otherwise mail it to the address of the Rotary office.



OF YEAR!

Advance Luncheon Coupon statements for the second half of the fiscal year 2002-2003 have been mailed. Please make your payment as soon as possible.

You are required to pay for six months' worth 20 luncheon coupons, at \$30 each, amounting to a total of \$600. Please remember that once you use all 20 coupons you must pay \$30 at the door.

If you have any questions about your membership status, please call the office. For your convenience, we do accept credit cards by fax.



MEET OUR NEW MEMBER – ANDERS EGGEN

Anders L. Eggen is a Principal and portfolio manager at Halcyon/Alan B. Slifka Management Company LLC, a private

investment firm, which manages in excess of \$2 billion. Prior to joining Halcyon, Mr. Eggen was with Morgan Stanley for four years, where he was a Principal and head of Morgan Stanley's proprietary Special Situations fund. Mr. Eggen has worked in New York's finance business since 1988 with such other firms such as The Blackstone Group.

Mr. Eggen received his Masters of Business Administration degree from the William E. Simon Graduate School of Business Administration in 1988. Mr. Eggen is also a classical flutist and performs regularly with the Gotham Winds, a Manhattan-based woodwind quintet. The quintet holds numerous concerts in New York each year.

Mr. Eggen, a native of Norway, lives in Manhattan with his wife Geneviève and their daughter Isabella.

Reporter of the Week January 14, 2003

President Elect Greg Lynch opened the meeting and introduced Bernie Wytko, who led the club in the singing of the "Star-Spangled Banner," accompanied by David Dingle at the piano. The Most Rev. Laurent Deneux offered the day's invocation.

Among those acknowledged were Anders Eggen and Mikhail Petrov, who served as greeters.

Taylor Gray introduced nine guests and four Rotarians visiting from Canada and three U.S. states.

Accompanied by her sponsor, David Del Monte, Roberta Galluccio-Richardson "Robby" was inducted as a new member. She is affiliated with The Albert Ellis Institute as a clinical psychologist.

Larry Parks introduced the day's speaker, Philip Howard, Esq., a best-selling author and founder of the national movement, Common Good. Mr. Howard is an advocate of legal reform. In his speech, he focused on Americans' relatively recent distrust of the legal system brought on by the perceived unpredictability of the law, naturally following from unpredictable judicial decisions. He proposed that confidence would be restored if increased authority, to which others would defer, were given to gatekeepers such as judges, school principals, and medical boards, who would exercise the common sense inherent to those in such positions.

Rotarian – Peter Brizard

CHARTER CEREMONY FOR NEW INTERACT CLUB

The Rotary Club of New Rochelle is the sponsor of a new Interact Club at the New Rochelle High School. You are all invited to the Charter Ceremony on February 5, 2003, at the Davenport Club, 400 Davenport Avenue in New Rochelle at 5:30 PM. Dinner and the ceremony will be at 6:30 PM. This is the first Interact club sponsored by New Rochelle in their 80- year history. There are 24 students already busy at work on international and community projects. Come join them in an exciting evening of celebration. Cost to Rotarians will be \$20. Please RSVP to Bonnie Sirower by January 30th at 914-633-2066, e-mail < bsirower@iona.edu>

Happy Birthday Fellow Rotarians



Joseph Groveman – January 22nd Gerry Hamilton – January 22nd Thomas Kass- January 23rd