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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!!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



January 29th
FELLOWSHIP DAY
BOARD MEETING

February 5th
Andrew Stuttaford
Journalist
National Review Online

February 12th
Lisa Suhay
Author

February 19th
Frederick Kagan
Professor of History

February 26th
POLICE
RECOGNITION DAY

ROTARIAN BILL DE LONG'S HUMANITARIAN TRIP TO MONGOLIA



MEET OUR NEW MEMBER



VOLKER DETERING

Volker started his New York-based event marketing service in 1999 together with his brother. Event planners use EventMe! to reach a targeted audience for their special events. Event participants can sign up to get invited to events they like.

He is also the publisher of Start Abroad (<http://www.StartAbroad.com>), a Website, guide, and professional network for newcomers to the U.S., with a focus on the New York area.

Prior to this, he served as manager of Germany's Green Party in the district of Gütersloh from 1995 to 99. Volker organized campaigns and special events, developed the party's Internet site, and negotiated political, structural, legal, and personnel issues inside and outside the party. Additionally, Volker ran for federal office in Germany in 1994 and has been involved with environmental protection.

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR!

\$30
LUNCHEON COUPONS

Advance luncheon coupon statements for the second half of the fiscal year 2001-2002 have been mailed. As per the bylaws, statements were payable in full by December 31, and are now due. Please make your payment as soon as possible.

You are required to pay for six months' worth of 20 luncheon coupons for \$30 each, coming 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.

**IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU
BRING YOUR COUPON TO EACH
LUNCHEON YOU ATTEND.**

REPORTER OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, January 22, 2002

President Helen Reisler opened the meeting with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner, led by Scarlett Pildes. This was followed by the invocation by David Zeller. President Helen then introduced Rotarians giving service for the meeting, and followed by Susan Jaros introduced our guest.

Rotarian Aldon James, President of the National Arts Club, gave a brief presentation on the recent publicity in the *N.Y. Times* and in other local papers regarding an early morning visit to the National Arts Club and removal of financial documents by the City Attorney's Office. Mr. James noted that former Gov. Cuomo would be representing the Club in further discussions in the controversy.

Rotarian Larry Parks introduced the speaker, Henry Stern, Parks Commissioner for the City of New York. Commissioner Stern is stepping down after eight years as Mayor Giuliani's Commissioner of Parks.

Mr. Stern gave an entertaining review of his youth growing up in New York City. He was educated at City College of New York before graduating with a law degree from Harvard. His career has been almost entirely in public service, as a Council Member for four years, Assistant City Administrator for three years, and President of the Citizens Union of the City of New York for three years.

Mr. Stern noted that he has been a longtime advocate for trees, parks, and animals. He related interesting tidbits of his association as Parks Commissioner with Bess Meyerson, Betty Furness, and Bobby Wagner and his father, Robert Wagner, as Mayor. Mr. Stern has acquired 25 acres of land in the City for parks, and 7,000 acres of land as "forever wild." He had been the leading protector of trees in the City of New York.

Finally, Mr. Stern commented on the tragedy of September 11 and the blow it has been to the City and the economy. He wished Mayor Bloomberg well and warned of the tough job ahead in rebuilding the city. Mr. Stern has been a very knowledgeable champion for New York City and we hope his long experience will be further called on in the new administration.

Rotarian - William Hall