

THE ROTARY CLUB OF NEW YORK

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IRELAND DAY

PHILOMENA MURNAGHAN

Philomena Murnaghan has been Deputy Permanent Representative at the Mission of Ireland to the United Nations since September 2000. Her areas of responsibility include disarmament issues, reform of the Security Council and coordination of General Assembly issues. She is also responsible for Mission administration.

She joined the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs in September 1974. Prior to coming to New York, she was posted in Vienna, Paris, and Washington. At headquarters in Dublin, she has served variously in the Political Affairs Division (Middle East, Africa, Eastern Europe), Consular Affairs Section, and most recently, was Head of Section in the Development Cooperation Division, dealing with particular aspects of Ireland's bilateral aid program.

She is an honours graduate in languages (French and German) and has also trained as a barrister (King's Inns, Dublin).

**PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR IRELAND DAY
MENU – CORNED BEEF WITH CABBAGE**

REPORTER OF THE WEEK

(Tuesday, March 6, 2001)

President Serge Hadjolian called the meeting to order and introduced Bernie Wytko, who led the singing of the Star Spangled Banner, followed by Arcadio Casillas' invocation. Giorgio Balestrieri introduced the visiting Rotarians, one from the states.

Andreas, our Executive Director, read the letter from District Governor Janet DiBenedetto announcing a district conference on April 27 and providing information regarding the journey to the holy land organized by Fraternite Notre Dame.

Greg Lynch announced that since there were no additional candidates on the slate for the officers of the Club, that he cast a single vote for the slate. Sylvan Barnet, Serge Hadjolian, Werner Kobelt, Greg Lynch, Sy Rosenberg, and others pledged support funds for Rotaractors to attend the gala dinner.

Wemer Kobelt, Chairman of the Rotary Foundation for the New York Club detailed the work of the Foundation for the last year, including contributions to the Gift of Life, and Taller Boricua Electronic Learning Center for the children and adults in the community. More-over, he reported on the Children at Risk in Aosta, Italy, Rotary Club. Grantees from the Foundation included Fraternite Notre Dame, and the Steiner School.

Melanie Schnoll-Begun from Salomon Smith Barney presented a program on planned giving. Hans Belsack reported on the Gift of Life and underlined the importance of this humanitarian project. He also encouraged all Rotarians to go visit some of the young patients. Arcadio Casillas reported on the foundation and giving for the past year, and, the plans for the New Year.

Rotarian - Arthur Auslander

MEMBERS' COLUMN

This is a platform for members to express their views and their stands. We encourage you to send in your comments. Please, put yourself in gear and get involved!

Letter from the President of Rotaract, Susanne Wetzel, Ph.D

Next week, March 12-18 is World Rotaract Week. R.I. suggested that Rotaract Clubs and their sponsoring Rotary clubs participate in four particular activities. Upon completion, the clubs will receive a recognition from Rotary International. I think we should try hard to make that possible. Here are the four things that need to be done:

1.) Rotaractors are asked to give a presentation or write an inspiring letter about Rotaract to a Rotary club that does not sponsor a Rotaract club. We will send a letter to the Chinatown Rotary Club.

2.) Rotaractors: Invite Rotarians to a Rotaract Club meeting.
Serge, Taylor and Andreas: I hereby would like to officially extend an invitation to our March 15 club meeting to all Rotarians of RCNY. Our meeting starts at 7.30 p.m., and our meeting will be held at the New York Blood Center at 310 E. 67 St., between 1st and 2nd Ave. We will have to let R.I. know how many Rotaractors and Rotarians attended that meeting.

3.) Rotarians: Invite Rotaractors to your March 13 club meeting. Again, R.I. would like to know how many Rotarians and Rotaractors attended the meeting.

4.) Conduct a joint Rotary/Rotaract project to increase awareness of Rotaract in the community.

We were thinking of the Gift of Life project. We could have a joint visit to the kids during the week. R.I. would like to know the number of Rotarians/Rotaractors who participated. Also, they ask for a short project report, photos and newspaper clippings.

As mentioned before, the activities will have to be done during the week of March 12-18, the application has to be submitted by April 15.

I hope for your support of these activities. I think it would be wonderful if we could tell Rick King that we successfully participated in World Rotaract Week.
Yours in Rotary, Susanne Wetzel

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7230 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

**SAVE THE DATES
APRIL 27, 28, & 29**

CROWNE PLAZA, WHITE PLAINS

Paul Harris Fellows Luncheon	\$40
Friday, April 27, 2001 12 noon	
Clambake	
Friday, April 27, 2001 6 p.m.	\$50
Rotary Conference Breakfast	\$20
Saturday, April 28, 2001 8:30 a.m.	
District Awards Luncheon	\$35
Saturday, April 28, 2001 12:15 p.m.	
Presidents Banquet	
Saturday, April 28, 2001 7:30 p.m.	\$65

**If you wish to reserve early, please request the Program
Ticket Order Form from the RCNY office.**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Mar. 13 th	IRELAND DAY – H.E. Philomena Murnaghan
Mar. 19 th	GALA DINNER IN HONOR OF RICHARD D. KING
Mar. 20 th	NO LUNCHEON MEETING
Mar. 27 th	BOARD MEETING – 10:30 a.m. - The Princeton Club
Mar. 27 th	POLICE RECOGNITION DAY – Joseph Esposito
Apr. 3 rd	ROTARY SCHOLARS DAY
Apr. 10 th	Steve Forbes – Forbes Magazine
Apr. 17 th	ISRAEL DAY
Apr. 24 th	BOARD MEETING – 10:30 a.m. - The Princeton Club
Apr. 24 th	FIREMAN RECOGNITION DAY
May 1 st	Kent Barwick – Municipals Arts Society
May 8 th	ITALY DAY
May 15 th	William Cope Moyers – Johnston Institute Foundation
May 22 nd	BOARD MEETING – 10:30 a.m. - The Princeton Club



OVER-DUE COUPON PAYMENTS

**WE HAVE NOW RECEIVED MOST OF
THE ADVANCE LUNCHEON COUPON
PAYMENTS FOR THE SECOND HALF OF THIS FISCAL YEAR
2000-01, NEVERTHELESS THERE ARE STILL SEVERAL
PAYMENTS OUTSTANDING. IF YOU HAVE NOT YET
SUBMITTED YOUR PAYMENT, PLEASE DO SO IMMEDIATELY.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR QUICK FOLLOW-UP.**



GIFT OF LIFE

A very quick update on our Gift of Life children:

Tarique Stevens - I visited Tarique and his mother Jeanice at NY Hospital on Sunday afternoon. Tarique had a setback and is back at New York Hospital (525 East 68th St., just east of York Avenue). He has fluid in his lungs and a upper respiratory infection that they want to monitor. You can visit Tarique at New York Hospital, Room 408 on the 6th floor, south (Greenberg Pavilion) in the pediatrics area.

Victoria Nikuschkina – the Russian 5-year-old, is back at Ronald McDonald House (73rd St. just east of 1st Ave.) and is recovering nicely.

Jovan Pejic - another 5-year-old, might have surgery on Monday. Jovan is at NY Hospital (same place as Tarique).

Tatiana Poruchnik - do not forget our almost 17-year-old, who is still at Ronald McDonald House.

VISITS ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THIS ROTARY HANDS-ON PROGRAM SO VISIT WHENEVER YOU CAN, IT MEANS A LOT TO THE CHILDREN AND THE SUCCESS OF THIS PROGRAM.

Yours in Rotary, Bill Currie

THE WESTCHESTER WINE EXPERIENCE

Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Pleasantville

Over 30 wineries, importers and distributors are scheduled to be presented. They will be pouring over 150 imported and domestic wines. The attendees will also have the opportunity to sample signature dishes from the area's top restaurants. There will be a gourmet food and wine accessory pavilion where people can purchase products.

When: March 31, 2001

Where: Pace University - Pleasantville, NY
Kessel Campus Center

Time: 1 to 4 p.m.

Tickets: \$30

The NY Rotary office has 20 tickets for sale.

The proceeds raised through this event will benefit the Juvenile

GALA DINNER IN HONOR OF RICHARD D. KING



J. GREGORY LYNCH, SECRETARY OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF NEW YORK ANNOUNCES THE GALA DINNER, ON MARCH 19, IN HONOR OF RICHARD D. KING, INCOMING PRESIDENT 2001-02 OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL.

*Please reserve for March 19
Advance reservations are a must.*

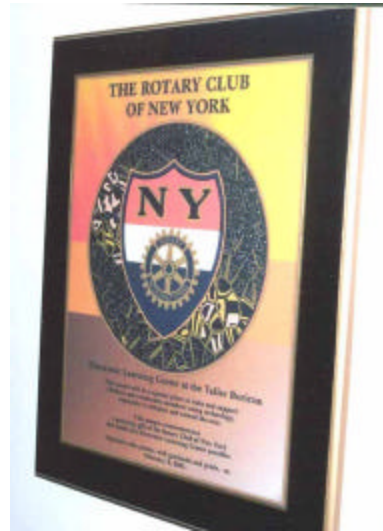
*The board has cancelled the March 20 luncheon due to the March 19 evening event. The event will take place at the Yale Club's grand ballroom-
50 Vanderbilt Avenue
Reception 6:00 p.m., Dinner 7:00 p.m.*

Tickets are \$95 each. Your luncheon coupon for this date can be applied towards the cost of the gala dinner; you will only pay the difference of \$65.

TALLER BORICUA ELECTRONIC LEARNING CENTER



President-elect Helen Reisler cuts the red ribbon at the inauguration of Taller Boricua Learning Center on February 6, 2001.



This award was presented to the New York Rotary Club for donation and contribution to the Taller Boricua Learning Center. The plaque hangs in the center of the room at Taller Boricua.



Mr. Fernando from Taller Boricua presented

