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TRANSITION DAY - June 11, 2002

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TRANSITION DAY



HELEN B. REISLER

**The 88th President
Rotary Club of New York**

June 11th will be a day of reflection and transition as President Helen reviews the past year and prepares to pass the gavel to her successor, Silvio Amori.

2001-2002 will be remembered as the year our first woman president successfully led the Rotary Club of New York through a most unusual and difficult time. The "Year of 9/11" tested our mettle and we came through with the courage, fortitude and spirit expected of true Rotarians. Let us come together to honor that accomplishment and end the year with a show of real Rotary Fellowship.

CALENDAR

June 11th
TRANSITION DAY

June 18th
John Sexton
NYU Law School

June 25th
Abraham Briloff
Professor- Baruch College

July 2nd
NO MEETING

July 9th
PRESIDENT'S DAY- Silvio Amori's Inauguration

MEMBERS' COLUMN

Members receive 20 luncheon coupons per six months at \$30 each. If you are running out of luncheon coupons, you may have attended 20 luncheons. If this is the case, you may pay \$30 at the door until the last meeting of June. The new luncheon coupons will be available in July.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEW FISCAL YEAR STARTS IN JULY. ANNUAL DUES AND LUNCHEON COUPON PAYMENTS WILL BE DUE.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF NEW YORK IS MOVING ITS OFFICE TO A NEW LOCATION AS OF JUNE 27TH

**NEW ADDRESS:
322 WEST EIGHTH AVENUE,
STE. 1701
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NEW YORK, NY 10001
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Dear Madam/Sir,

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, June 26, at the German Permanent Mission to the UN, top-floor restaurant on First Avenue (between 48th and 49th Street,) from 8:30 to 9:45 a.m. The topic will be "Education about the Population Puzzle." Our guest speaker will be David Andrews, President, Population Communications International; and Chair, NGO Committee on Population and Development.

Registration is at 8:30 and the meeting will start at 8:45 a.m. Kindly let us know if you or your staff will attend the June 26 breakfast by sending an e-mail to the Rotary Club of New York at ny.rotary@verizon.net, with a copy to Ms. Allison Alessi, International Events Coordinator at aealessi@aol.com or by fax to (212) 819-0763. The cost of the breakfast is \$15, payable directly to the Maitre d'.

Sincerely,

Sylvan M. Barnet, Jr. Giorgio H. Balestrieri
Rotary International RCNY Chair, Int'l Service Division
Alt. Rep. to the UN

REPORTER OF THE WEEK

June 4, 2002

Andrew Cheng made a special presentation announcing Rotary Club awards to P.P. Richard Sainburg, Werner Kobelt, Chairman of the New York Rotary Foundation, Club Secretary Greg Lynch, and Chair of the Day, Sylvan Barnet. Sylvan Barnet was given the Special Merit Award for Service at the UN.

Sylvan Barnet then introduced our speaker, the Hon. M. Patricia Durrant, Chairperson of the Preparatory Committee for the Special Session on Children and United Nations Ombudsman. A career diplomat since 1971, Patricia Durrant has served as Permanent Representative of Jamaica to the United Nations since 1995. She is currently Vice-Chair of the Open-ended Working Group on the Reform of the United Nations Security Council.

Ambassador Durrant first commended Rotary International's long relationship with the United Nations in the service of world peace and understanding, in reaching out to those in need through charitable works, and in the areas of education, health care, and children's issues. She noted the successful efforts in the eradication of polio, which is now limited to 10 countries. Ambassador Durrant also stressed the connection between child poverty and health, and gave some chilling statistics; 120 million children lacking access to schools; 11 million children die before reaching the age of 5 and 13 million children have lost one or two parents to AIDS. She urged imperative action and set forth the millennium's priorities as poverty eradication, equality in education, the environment and health concerns affecting children worldwide. She stressed the economic benefits of investing in children and noted that \$1 invested in the physical and cognitive development of a child gives a \$7 return in future expenditures later on in life.

Ambassador Durrant also reported on the recently held Special Session of the UN General Assembly on Children, which was attended by 70 heads of state and 1,600 NGOs. The goals enunciated during the conference were eradication of poverty, investment in children, protection from exploitation, education, and protection of the environment.

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INSTALLATION OF DISTRICT GOVERNOR

**BOB BENSON
DINNER/DANCE**

June 18, 2002

Cocktails- 6:00 P. M.

Dinner- 7:00 P. M.

Cost: \$50

Siwanoy Country Club, Bronxville, NY
RSVP to Don Hubert at (914) 663-9367