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Walter Eberstadt

Mr. Walter Eberstadt is the author of *Whence We Came, Where We Went* a book tracing his remarkable family history back to its origins in Germany. Mr. Eberstadt was born in Frankfurt am Main, Germany and grew up in England. He enlisted in the British Army as a private in the Pioneer Corps in 1940 commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Pioneer Corps in 1942. He was transferred to Infantry in 1943 and a saw service as a platoon commander in Normandy, July to August 1944. After he was wounded, he took a post in psychological warfare, working at Radio Luxembourg and Radio Hamburg. He retired with rank of Major.

Mr. Eberstadt immigrated to the United States in 1951, and went into investment banking at Lehman Bros. He has been Managing Director, at Lazard Freres, LLC, since May 1995. He is involved in various organizations, serving as Director at the American Council on Germany, a Trustee at New School University, Honorary Trustee at the Northside Center for Child Development, Honorary Chairman at the Martha's Vineyard Preservation Trust, and Chairman of the advisory Committee of the World Policy Institute.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April 15th

Walter Eberstadt,
Author
Whence We Came,
Where We Went

April 22nd

Firemen's
Recognition Day

April 29th

Hon. Charles Barron
Councilman

May 6th

David Greenberg
SVP & Chief
Compliance Officer
Phillip Morris

May 13th

Dr. Giovanni Ciuffo

JAZZ EVENT

You are invited to the Rotary Jazz Cocktail Party at the Cornell Club, 6 East 44th Street, New York, NY on April 28, 2003, from 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.

This event is being organized by David Dingle and Silvio Amori. The music will be provided by The Pelham Jazz Ensemble, an instrumental jazz quartet group featuring piano, bass, guitar and drums as well as three vocalists.

The cost of this event with hors' d'oeuvres is \$35 (cash bar). We hope you all join in for what promises to be a lot of fun and great fellowship.

ATTENTION MEMBERS

PLEASE SUBMIT THE YEAR YOU WERE BORN OR BIRTHDATE. THIS DATA WILL ONLY BE USED FOR STATISTICAL REASONS AND FOR THE YEAR END REPORT TO ROTARY INTERNATIONAL. THANK YOU KINDLY FOR YOUR QUICK FOLLOW UP ON THIS REQUEST.

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POLIOPLUS

On April 29, the New York Club's Foundation will present a check for \$100,000 to the PolioPlus campaign final phase. Jack Blane of the Rotary Foundation in Evanston, will be here to receive the check and answer your questions.

Please help us by contributing whatever any can to the New York Club's Foundation, (mail to our Club office) to become a part of our \$100,000 gift. All contributions must be received by mid-June. One Rotary District (Minnesota) gave one million dollars by getting \$300 from each district members; \$100 buys 1200 doses of vaccine; \$500 helps deliver vaccine to all entire village!

As Dr. Bob Scott, director of the Polio Eradication Fundraising Campaign, says: "This is a Once-in-a-lifetime Event to fulfill our promise (of 188) to eradicate Polio by 2005, Rotary's Centennial Year. On behalf of the children who are sand crawlers, who are wheelchair bound or wear leg braces, please do not allow their brothers and sisters to suffer the same fate. Demand, of us to fulfill our promise." Let's go, New York Rotary, The Host Club of America—and world leader.

Barney Barnett, on behalf of RCNY Foundation Board of Trustees.

International Service Division Breakfast

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

The next meeting of the International Service Division of the Rotary Club of New York will be on Wednesday, April 16th at the German Permanent Mission to the UN, at the top floor restaurant on First Avenue (between 48th and 49th Streets), from 8:30 to 9:45 A.M.

This month's topic will be "**The New Liquid Gold – Water.**"

Our guest speakers will be Ms. Eirah Gorre-Dale, Communications and External Relations Manager at the Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council, the international advocacy organization for "WASH - Water, Sanitation and Hygiene for All."

Registration is at 8:30 and the meeting will start at 8:45 a.m. Kindly let us know (before the end of Monday, April 14) if you or your guests desire to attend our breakfast by sending an e-mail to the Rotary Club of New York at "ny.rotary@verizon.net" copy to Ms. Allison Alessi, International Events Coordinator at "aealessi@aol.com" or send a fax to (212) 633-1954. The cost of the breakfast is \$15 payable directly to the Maitre d'.

Sylvan M. Barnet, Jr.

Giorgio H. Balestrieri

REPORTER OF THE WEEK- Tuesday, April 8, 2003

President Silvio Amori welcomed Rotarians and guests. Allison Alessi led us in the singing of the national anthem accompanied by club member David Dingle on the piano. Barney Barnett presented the invocation.

As members enjoyed their buffet luncheon President Silvio introduced the club members giving service. It was Scholar's Day at NY Rotary. PP Dick Sainberg, committee chairman, introduced six attending foreign scholars from this year's class of twelve.

The scholars were outstanding. Among them were students from Korea, Germany, and Italy. A common theme voiced by the presenting scholars was their commitment to give back to others. Surprisingly, most were doing volunteer work while carrying a heavy academic load. The scholars presenting today were ambassadors of good will for their countries and for global youth involvement in society. One student spoke of her host's wonderful attention-particularly the day she arrived. From a pick up at the airport to guidance through the enrollment maze at Columbia, her Rotary host, Paul Schneiderman, eased the way. Congratulations Paul, you represent what our club members strive to achieve – "service above self".

Our guest speaker Mark Baer, himself a former Rotary Scholar, himself, gave an interesting account of his life success which he attributed in large part to the scholarship program. The son of a minister, Mark applied for and won the Rotary International Scholar award in Oakland, California. He described how Rotary paved the way for his growth at the London School of Economics where he earned his Master's degree in 1995.

Being a Rotary Ambassador of Goodwill, which is one of the criteria for a Rotary Scholar, was not a problem for Mark. His host Rotarian in England was a fine gentleman who enjoyed taking Mark to his favorite pub. Mark felt comfortable there and at the five Rotary clubs he spoke to during his academic year. During his presentation he spoke more than once of his desire to give back to Rotary. He said he could not have reached his present position in life without the tremendous influence and help from Rotary.

Unfortunately time ran out before questions could be asked. Surely, something that everyone wanted to know was whether or not we would be seeing more of Mark Baer as a member of the Rotary Club of New York. We will have to have to stay tuned— Admissions Committee will be following up.

President Silvio closed the meeting promptly at 1:30 pm with a ring of our historic Rotary bell.

Rotarian -Lou DiPaolo