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**The Princeton Club – 15 W. 43<sup>rd</sup> Street**

# ARMED FORCES DAY

## Stephen G. Brozak



Stephen Brozak has an M.B.A. in Finance and a B.A. in East Asian Studies(Chinese) from Columbia University. Mr. Brozak is the President of Westfield Bakerink Brozak in San Diego, CA. He is an Investment Banker/Broker Dealer. His primary focus is on research products for biotechnology, medical devices, and healthcare. Operations include independent brokerage service operation.

Stephen Brozak has the following achievements:

Lieutenant Colonel-United States Marine Corps- 1982-2003

Spokesperson/Media Director- Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, Department of Defense for Reserve Affairs, Arlington, VA

Officer in Charge– Mobilization Training Unit NY-17 responsible area of operations NYC (included during 9/11 attack)

Previous assignments include: 2000 NATO ops in Bosnia; 1999-1996 US Mission to United Nations Headquarters; 1996 PA ops at Aviano Airbase, Italy; 1995 UN Mission in Haiti; 1993 Armed Forces Inaugural; 1989-1982 Infantry operations from Platoon Commander to Company Commander.

Navy Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal; Joint Service Achievement Medal; Navy Achievement Medal; Joint Meritorious Unit Award with oak leaf; Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation; National Defense Service Medal with star; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Armed Forces Service Medal; Humanitarian Service Medal; Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal; Navy Sea Service Deployment Ribbon; Navy & Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbon; Armed Forces Reserve Medal with hourglass and numeral 2; United Nations Haiti Medal; NATO service medal, Joint Chiefs Badge; and Expert rifle/pistol.

- 1999 Command and Staff Course Correspondence
- 1994 Defense Information Officer's School (Ft. Benjamin Harrison)
- 1984 Amphibious Warfare Correspondence
- 1983 Infantry Officer's Course (Quantico)
- 1983 The Basic School

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR



**May 27<sup>th</sup>**  
Armed Forces Day

**June 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Italy Day  
Eugenio Magnani  
Director, North  
America, Italian  
Government  
Tourist Board

**June 10<sup>th</sup>**  
United Nations Day  
Ambassador  
Anwarul Chowdhury

**June 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Fellowship Day

### ATTENTION MEMBERS:

**IF YOU SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES, PLEASE  
CALL THE ROTARY OFFICE. WE WOULD LIKE TO  
ANNOUNCE YOU AT THE MEETING.**



## MEMBER'S COLUMN

As you may already know, our club has, as of to date, reached 207 members this year. We hope that we can continue to increase membership in 2003-2004 and to reach 250 members.

The Board of Directors had extended several invitations for honorary memberships and in addition to those already published in this year's roster we have most recently received the acceptance for honorary memberships by the Attorney General of the State of New York, Eliot Spitzer, the Ambassador of the Permanent Mission of Italy to the UN, Marcello Spatafora, the Ambassador of the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea, Sun Joun-Yung and the Ambassador of the Permanent Mission of Madagascar, Zina Andriana Rivelo. You will have a chance to see most of the Honorary Members at their official induction into the club during United Nations Day (at the Princeton Club), June 10, 2003.

Andreas Runggatscher

### ***Rotary After Hours***

*"Drop by and get acquainted"*  
Each third Thursday, 5-7 p.m.  
Torre di Pisa Restaurant  
19 West 44<sup>th</sup> Street  
New York, NY  
Info phone (212) 360-2283  
E-mail: delmonte@nyc.rr.com



### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Hans Hachmann- May 29<sup>th</sup>  
Louis DiPaolo- May 30<sup>th</sup>

## REPORT OF THE WEEK: May 20, 2003

David A. Gibbs, Rotarian

President Silvio Amori presided at the meeting, which began with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner and the Invocation. Visiting Rotarians and guests were welcomed and serenaded with our welcome song. (This reporter overheard a request by one visitor for a CD of our Club's Welcome Song)

Our guest speaker was Clint Bolick, Esq., who is the vice president and national director of state chapters at the Institute for Justice. Mr. Bolick is a co-founder of the Institute, which is engaged in constitutional litigation protecting individual liberty and challenging the regulatory welfare system.

The focus of Mr. Bolick's message was centered on issues related to the matter of parents' rights to determine the educational program best suited for their children. This topic gets to the heart of such issues as Charter Schools and School Voucher systems.

Originally intending to become a teacher, it was during his preparation at Drew University that he decided to help children through issues of constitutional law rather than classroom subject matter. Mr. Bolick offered several stories of school programs and their failures or successes. He quickly pointed out the false myth that parents in low-income neighborhoods don't care about the quality of their child's education.

The case tried by Mr. Bolick and others before the Supreme Court presented the Cleveland, Ohio Public School situation. It raised the awareness of school choice by transferring the power of decision from bureaucrats to parents. The Court's positive decision in 2002 has had a profound impact on educating our nation's children. Two cities that would especially benefit from the Supreme Court's decision are Washington, DC and New York City.

He told Rotarians that WE are the generation to implement the outcome of educational reform that began 50 years ago in Roe v Brown. Mr. Bolick closed his presentation by citing Charter Schools as examples similar to perestroika as people's choice in education and that voucher systems are glasnost.

Everyone seemed to enjoy a well-delivered message of importance to our Rotary Club's understanding of education in the new century.