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THE SPRING STYLE ISSUE

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BROOKE BLOCK KENNAN WEARING DOLCE & GABBANA IN NEW YORK wife (at the time) Barbara at the house Erik had inherited from his mother Gypsy Rose Lee. The entire experience had a beneficial effect on my further professional choices.

The dining room of the presently redesigned penthouse has a commanding presence in the Core Club, very inviting and comfortable, smart and chic, with an excellent staff, great food, and a view of a core part of Manhattan just a couple of blocks south of Central Park, and right across the street from the elegant St. Regis - built in 1904 by John Jacob Astor IV (who went down on the

Titanic, which 120 years later remains one of the top rated luxury hotels in New York.

In closing about our interesting and fascinating

visit to the Core Club this afternoon, we left with sense a of something new and mod-

ern luxury

elegant and comforting in the center of busy Manhattan on a weekday, and enhancing this prominent business and residential area.

Social life in mid-winter Manhattan. One weekday I went down to Doubles, the private club in The Sherry-Netherland, where Mela-

> nie Holland was hosting a birthday luncheon for her friend Mark Gilbertson.

Mark not was

excited by his new birthday number. Having been there myself, I advised him that it was youth, compared to the numbers 10 years out, and

furthermore I've known him for about 30 years and he doesn't seem older. I reminded him that he's still a kid, probably in his own mind - as aren't we all.

Mark has a unique role in New York. His business is public relations. He's the guy NYSD-readers have read about his annual cocktail party inviting several hundred of his closest friends -sort of an exaggeration but not really—every Spring at a private club here in New York.

Several hundred seems like a big number for a cocktail party but Mark being the classic host knows so many people and every one of his guests knows a lot of people

SCHWARZMAN ANIMAL MEDICAL CENTER'S LEASH CUTTING IN NEW YORK

Mark Gilbertson's birthday

table at Doubles



Bobby Liberman and Kathy Rayner

Pamela Schwartz

Daniel Spector and Katherine Quesenberry



Robert Hart, Lisa Schiff, Nicole Seligman and Helen Irving

Jonathan Ferrari, Terry Moon and Christine Schwarzman