New England Circle

1991 Catherine A. Dunfey Award



Presented to Walter and Albertina Sisulu



Parker House Boston Massachusetts October 9, 1991

Walter Sisulu

Walter Sisulu is the Deputy President of the African National Congress. He has been the closest political associate of Nelson Mandela, with whom he was imprisoned for 26 years on South Africa's notorious Robben Island. Known as the "Lion of the ANC" for his courage and determination, Deputy President Sisulu remains a key figure in reorganizing the ANC inside South Africa.

Albertina Sisulu

Albertina Sisulu is Executive Committee Member of the African National Congress. She joined the ANC's Women's League in 1941, and was elected its president in April, 1991. While jailed in 1984, she was elected one of three co-presidents of the United Democratic Front. Under banning orders for 18 years of her life—longer than anyone in her country—Executive Committee Member Sisulu remains an activist inside South Africa.

Program

8:30 a.m. Reception

Martin Luther King, Jr. Room

8:55 a.m. Welcome William B. Hart Chair, New England Circle

9:00 a.m. Film
Globalvision / South Africa Now

9:15 a.m. Catherine A. Dunfey Award Presentation
To Albertina and Walter Sisulu
Presented by:
Eleanor Dunfey Freiburger
Director, New England Circle

9:30 a.m. Discussion
Opened by Facilitator: Anthony Lewis

10:30 a.m. Formal Program Ends

FACILITATOR: Anthony Lewis, twice winner of the Pulitzer Prize, is a columnist for The New York Times. Mr. Lewis has often visited South Africa and has written about the cruelties of apartheid. Author of three books, his most recent is Make No Law: The Sullivan Case and the First Amendment, published in September.

The Catherine A. Dunfey Award is given annually to a person or organization that exemplifies the personal courage, commitment and compassion of Catherine Dunfey: mother, grandmother and great grandmother of the Dunfey family. The Award designee will have demonstrated leadership, reflecting a significant and positive impact on a pressing human or social condition somewhere in the world. The recipient will also evidence the capacity to work closely with women and men of different races, ideologies, and professions while striving to bring about constructive change in our world.

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Dr. Charles Clements, Executive Director SatelLife, International Physicians for Prevention of Nuclear War

1990

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