



On the occasion of the 20th Anniversary of New England Circle

the Duntey family and the Board of Directors of New England Circle invite you to

a morning Circle with
1994 Catherine A. Dunfey
Award Recipient,
Mary Robinson,
President of Treland, and
Ambassador Andrew Young,
Moderator

Saturday, March 12, 1994 8:30 am - 11 am Rooftop Ballroom, Omni Parker House Boston, U.S.A.

President Mary Robinson

On November 8, 1990, Mary Robinson was elected the 7th President of Ireland. The Irish press dubbed her "position in the Park as the psychic equivalent of the collapse of the Berlin Wall." Indeed her election results were tallied on the eve of Berlin's first anniversary and her subsequent tenure in office has chronicled global shifts towards democracy and independent states in Eastern Europe and Africa. While her position as President has been traditionally a ceremonial post, President Robinson has been outspoken in the human rights arena and as an advocate for a larger United Nations role in global peace-keeping. She was the first Head of state to visit Somalia and declare it a human rights tragedy. She is the first Irish President ever to visit Britain officially and the first to position Ireland as the bridge between the rapidly expanding European Economic Community and the United States. A brilliant law student and debater at Trinity College, she was trained in constitutional law and in 1967 she won a postgraduate fellowship to Harvard. She returned to Ireland and at age 25 was appointed the youngest law professor ever at Trinity. At age 26, she won a seat in the Senate, becoming not only the youngest member but the first Catholic to represent Trinity. Twenty years later she challenged the entire political establishment by declaring her candidacy for President as an independent, running on a "platform of change." Today she is half way through her first seven year term and is eligible under the Irish constitution to renew her post for one more term if uncontested or run again in 1997. President Robinson is married and the mother of three children.

Ambassador Andrew Young - Moderator

Ambassador Andrew Young has spent more than 35 years in public service. He began his career as a pastor in Marion, Alabama. During the Civil Rights movement he served as a top aide to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and as Executive Vice President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. After three terms in the Untied States Congress he resigned to become Ambassador to the Untied States under President Jimmy Carter. In 1981 he was elected Mayor of Atlanta and during his term over half a million jobs were created and \$70 billion dollars in private capital and construction were invested in the greater metropolitan region. Today he is Vice Chairman of Law Companies Group, an environmental and engineering consulting group, and Co-Chairman of the Atlanta Committee for the 1996 Summer Olympics. He has received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, The Legion d'Honneur in France and 35 honorary degrees.