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The Human Rights Watch Chicago Committee is part of a network of committees in North America and Europe, composed of opinion leaders from a variety of backgrounds. The committees constitute an informed and engaged constituency that is essential for the defense of human rights. The committees seek to increase awareness of local and global human rights issues and enlist the public and governments to support basic rights for all. Committee members meet regularly to learn about human rights crises and policies and support Human Rights Watch through outreach, advocacy, and fundraising initiatives.

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REMEMBERING RWANDA: AFRICA IN CONFLICT, YESTERDAY AND TODAY commemorates the 10-year anniversary of the genocide in Rwanda and honors the hundreds of thousands of people who died during this conflict. In 1994, at least one half million Tutsi and moderate Hutu were killed over a three-month period. Although Human Rights Watch supplied detailed evidence to the U.S. government and urged immediate action in one-on-one meetings, policy makers failed to prevent the killing. The Rwandan Genocide was a campaign carefully organized by a small group of ruthless politicians who saw the slaughter as a strategy for maintaining power. The discussion will highlight the similarities of past conflicts and human rights abuses with those occurring in Africa today. The remarks will be followed by a Q&A.

On behalf of the
Human Rights Watch Chicago Committee

Susan and Lewis Manilow

request the pleasure of your company at a cocktail buffet for

HUMAN RIGHTS WATCH
THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2004, 6:00PM

1900 North Howe Street (Valet Parking)

Featuring

Carroll Bogert, Associate Director, Human Rights Watch
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Topic

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Human Rights Watch is one of the world's largest research and advocacy organizations. It conducts fact-finding investigations into human rights abuses in more than seventy countries around the world and publishes those findings in dozens of reports each year. By generating press through reporting and advocacy, Human Rights Watch seeks to shame abusive governments, change policies and practices, and inform the public about important human rights issues.

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