

283 Lexington Avenue, Soldiers', Sailors', Marines', Coast Guard and Airmen's Club
Between 36th and 37th Streets, Listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



Built in 1881, originally part of a development of Brownstone row houses on 37th Street, these two five-story buildings were converted to the Soldiers', Sailors', Marines', Coast Guard & Airmen's Club in 1927. The Club was founded in 1919 by Mrs. Cornelia Barnes Rogers, Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt Jr. and General John Pershing to accommodate servicemen returning from overseas duty in World War I.

Since the founding, the Club has served as a home away from home for several million guests of the armed services and their families. The club is the only private "boutique hotel" in New York City that caters exclusively to armed forces of all ranks at special rates.

Loaded with character and charm, the club is a welcoming retreat with a canteen, two cozy lounges and a library for guests, in addition to the sleeping facilities.

Historic military pictures, important paintings and portraits of famous generals such as Colin Powell line the walls. General Dwight D. Eisenhower and Governor Franklin D.

Roosevelt each served as past honorary presidents of the club.

The club sponsors its own special fund-raising events such as a spring luncheon and an annual military ball, and also offers public rooms for meetings and private functions.