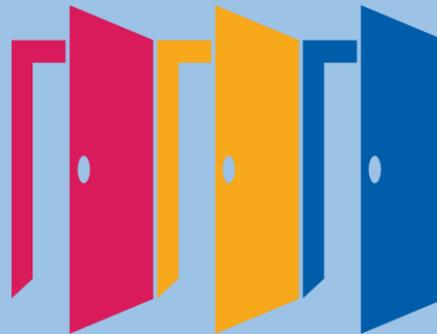




BULLETIN JERUSALEM ROTARY CLUB

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Club #13459 District
2490

3 February, 2021



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Today's Program – "Feeding Israel's Needy -- The Crisis Response"

Joseph Gitler, Founder and Chairman Leket Israel

Joseph was born in New York City and then lived in Teaneck, NJ. He received his juris doctor degree from Fordham University. He also has a Bachelor's degree from Yeshiva University. He met his wife Leelah, originally from Toronto, at Bnei Akiva Summer Camp and made Aliyah with their oldest daughter in 2000. They reside in Ra'anana with their now five children.

In 2003, Joseph Gitler founded Leket Israel – The National Food Bank (formally, Table to Table) as a one-man volunteer operation to respond to the paradox of growing hunger and poverty on the one hand and significant food waste on the other. Today, Joseph's operation has grown to become the only food rescue and resource organization in Israel. Leket Israel supplies surplus food and nutritional support to over 300 non-profit organizations serving more than 246,000 people in Israel weekly.

As Founder and Chairman, Joseph has worked to expand the scope of Leket Israel's capabilities. Today, Leket thrives with the assistance of 105 employees, 12 delivery vehicles and tens of thousands of volunteers – a direct result of Joseph's dedication.

Outside of his work with Leket Israel, Joseph is a founding member of *Ten Gav* and *Israel Gives*, as well as an active board member of ReSpecs, The Meir Medical Center, Camp Moshava Canada, Dualis, Mercaz Panim and Artists & Musicians for Israel. Joseph is

Upcoming Events

3 February, 2021

Hon. Paul Packer

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also the Israeli representative for the Global FoodBanking Network.

Joseph received the coveted Presidential Award for Volunteerism from former President Shimon Peres, accepted the Ruppin Academic Center's 2017 Honorary Fellowship, received the 2018 Cohon Award, was named the 2018 Man of the Year by Ra'anana Rotary. He was awarded Beit Hapalmach's 2016 Yigal Alon Prize, and was selected to deliver a 2017 JedX talk and a 2015 ELI talk. Joseph is a recipient of the Inaugural 2014 Bonei Zion Prize and named one of the 50 most influential Jews in the world. Most recently, He was selected to receive the 2018 Compassion Award for Children and Youth at Risk.

Leket Israel, the country's only food rescue organization, works tirelessly to lead the safe, effective and efficient collection and distribution of surplus nutritious food in Israel to those in need. Leket Israel distributes over 40 million pounds of produce and perishable goods to Israel's socio-economic periphery through its partnerships with 330 nonprofit organizations, reaching more than 246,000 people in need each week. For more information, please visit www.leket.org/en

Please note: Our meeting on 10 February will be at 18.00 hours (6 PM), because our speaker will be presenting from Washington D.C.

We have a virtual meeting again using the internet application ZOOM. Please log in as follows: just before 1:00 pm (13:00), of the meeting date, log-in with the numbers 82628643933 in the log-in window of ZOOM and the password: 993943 or at internet site:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82628643933?pwd=N3lxaml3NFQYm1COGF1a3psYnBxUTO9>

You might be informed that you are in a 'waiting room' and the host will admit you shortly. Please have patience. Our host Robert Hammer will let you in.

Fellowship Greetings

A week with many celebrations is ahead of us. Mazal Tov, Happy Birthday and many happy returns to Lilian Landau on 4 February, to Dan Shanit and Shlomo Khayat on 6 February, to Nuha Tannus on 7 February, to Benjamin Landau on 9 February and to Don Edelstein on 10 February



The President's Corner

Harold Macmillan's speech on 3 February 1960 'Wind of Change' was one of many stepping stones on the way of changing the apartheid policy of the Republic of South Africa. Certainly an important one, like the father tells his son.....you cannot continue like this, you need to change your ways. Courageous statements like this are still needed in our days, sixty years later.

Dieter Ziulkowski

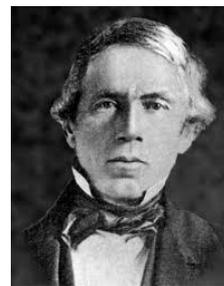
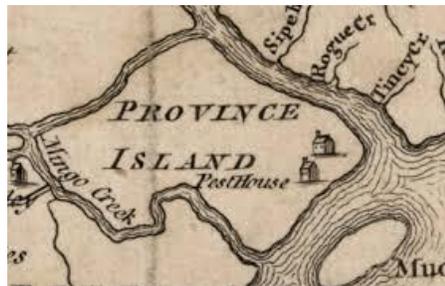


International Toast – Rotary Club of Johannesburg, South Africa

Three noteworthy historical events that happened on 3 February, the day of our meeting:

1743 Philadelphia establishes a "pesthouse" to quarantine immigrants. The first quarantine station for the city of Philadelphia was erected in 1743 just southwest of where the Schuylkill and Delaware Rivers meet on the modern Penrose Ferry Road. A building was erected for use by sick people arriving at the port of Philadelphia and was known as the Pest House or the Old Lazaretto. The building was sold in 1802, with the proceeds used to help pay for the newly built Lazaretto, located about six miles west. Efforts to control disease epidemics in the City of Philadelphia did not begin in earnest until after the devastating Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1793, which killed between 4,000 and 5,000 inhabitants—about one-tenth of the city's population at the time.

1815 The world's first commercial cheese factory was established in Switzerland today in 1815. However, it was in the United States where large-scale production found real success. Credit goes to Jesse Williams, who today is known as the Father of Cheese. A dairy farmer from Rome, New York, in the spring of 1851 he started making cheese in an assembly-line fashion using the milk from neighboring farms. Within decades, hundreds of such dairy associations existed. The 1860s saw the beginnings of mass-produced rennet, and by the turn of the century scientists were producing pure microbial cultures. Before then, bacteria in cheese making had come from the environment or from recycling an earlier batch's whey; the pure cultures meant a more standardized cheese could be produced. With the mass production of cheese making it more readily available to the poorer classes, simple cost-effective storage solutions for cheese gained popularity.



Philadelphia's Pest House and its location

Jesse Williams

H Macmillan

1960 British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan makes his famous "wind of change" speech in Africa, against the apartheid regime, angering South African politicians. The "Wind of Change" speech was an address made by British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan to the Parliament of South Africa, on 3 February 1960 in Cape Town. He had spent a month in Africa visiting a number of what were then British colonies. The speech signalled clearly that the Conservative-led British government had no intention to block the independence to many of these territories. The Labour government of 1945–51 had started a process of decolonisation, but this policy had been halted or at least slowed down by the Conservative governments from 1951 onwards. The speech acquired its name from a quotation embedded in it. Macmillan said: "The wind of change is blowing through this continent. Whether we like it or not, this growth of national consciousness is a political fact." The occasion was in fact the second time on which Macmillan had given this speech: he was repeating an address already made in Accra, Ghana (formerly the British colony of the Gold Coast) on 10 January 1960. This time it received press attention, at least partly because of the stony reception that greeted it. Macmillan's Cape Town speech also made it clear that Macmillan included South Africa in his comments and indicated a shift in British policy in regard to South African apartheid with Macmillan saying: "As a fellow member of the Commonwealth it is our earnest desire to give South Africa our support and encouragement, but I hope you won't mind my saying frankly that there are some

aspects of your policies which make it impossible for us to do this without being false to our own deep convictions about the political destinies of free men to which in our own territories we are trying to give effect.”

Today we are toasting the Rotary Club of Johannesburg, chartered in 1921, on this remarkable speech of the British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan on 3 February 1960.

Dieter Ziulkowski



Some of the participants of last ZOOM meeting, courtesy of Eli:



Important announcement from our District Governor Dr. Nahum Frenkel, please mark March 7 at 17.00 (5 pm) in your calendar:

Dear Friends,

I hope you are well. I enclose an invitation to a virtual international conference on the Middle East Conference organized and sponsored by Rotary District 2490-Israel. I would be very happy if you could take part in the conference that will undoubtedly be interesting and innovative.

Thank you

Best Regards

DG Nachum Frenkel

International Virtual Convention. District Governor Dr. Nachum Frenkel, Adv. Invites you to attend a discussion of the utmost importance for the Middle East and the world. Subject:

Israel in the Middle East. Old Problems and New Challenges. March 7th 2021 –17:00 Israel Time

Prof. Elie Podeh, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem: “Israel in the Middle East in the aftermath of the Normalization Agreements”

Prof. Meir Litvak, Tel Aviv University: Iran - “Regional Aspirations and Domestic Challenges”

Dr. Bosmat Yefet, Ariel University: "The Arab Spring, Ten Years on: Egypt as a Case Study"

Mr. Adam Hoffman, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem; "Political Islam Since the Arab Spring"

Meeting ID: 857 003 6148 Passcode: 222222 Attending is Free, Needs Admission in Advance.

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The Jerusalem Rotary Club meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m. (13.00) at the Jerusalem International YMCA on King David Street. On the last Wednesday of every month it meets in the evening at 7 p.m. (19.00). NIS75 covers lunch/dinner, the Rotary program and a presentation by selected speakers. Kosher meals can be ordered until 90 minutes before the start of the meeting, by sending a message to our secretary 054-4295680. Visiting Rotarians and visitors are welcome.