

Weekly Bulletin of

The Jerusalem Rotary Club

Club # 13459, District 2490

3 September 2014

Club Officers

President:

P/ Nezar Tannous

Secretary:

R/ David Lillienthal

Treasurer:

P/P Sandi Darmon

Immediate Past President:

P/P Sandi Darmon

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R/ Yaron Amitai

P/P Ruth Harris

P/P Shlomo Khayat

R/ Mike Rand

P/P David Seligman

R/ Nuha Tannous

P/P Kern Wisman

PDG Irene Lewitt (ex officio)

Upcoming Programme

September 10:

Mr. David Tucker, Vice-President for Marketing & Sales, David Citadel Hotel, Mamilla Hotel:
"Confronting the Tourism Slow-Down"

September 17:

R/Nuha Tannous: To be announced

Future Events

September 5:

Preparatory meeting for the Young Speaker Contest. Gallery 29, 29 Geller St, Kfar Saba, 09:30.

September 12:

District conference on "Back to Excellence". Nice Auditorium, Ra'anana, 09:00 to 13:15. Please confirm your participation to S/David L.



This Week's Programme

Amnon Shefi, Ph.D., President, Hi-Teach Ltd.:

"Hands Across the Waters"

Dr. Amnon Shefi, founder of Hi-Teach Ltd., is an engineer and a hi-tech executive with experience in Medical Imaging, Telecom, Navel Electronics systems, Computers and Cognitive Sciences with a long standing interest in Education.

He earned his Electrical Engineering B.Sc. from the Technion in 1971 and his Electrical Engineering & Computer Ph.D. from the US Naval post graduate school in Monterey California, in 1988.



Dr. Shefi served as a Captain in the Israeli Navy for 22 years and was in charge of Sonar systems R&D. Later he was the CEO of high-tech companies such as Nexus, where he founded Pointer – the well-known car tracing company. He also headed companies in Medical Imaging and Communications engaging in business with global corporations.

His Amnon's interest in education is driven by the challenge of the exponential knowledge growth. Hi-Teach education addresses this growing challenge, turning current hi-tech activity into relevant education content for teachers. His recent programme, *Youth, Water and Knowledge*, utilizes the advanced water and sanitation solutions developed in Israel as educational content for all sectors of the diverse local society. Together with Rotary Israel, this program emphasizes cross cultural educational exchange, newly named as *Rotary Hands Across Water*.

Luncheon meeting on Wednesday, 3 September, 13:00 at the Jerusalem International YMCA ♣



From the Editor

If we are to believe the omens, this Rotary year will be one of renewal. A few candidates are lined up for membership, reducing dramatically the average age of the membership. The annual bazaar is back on track. Peniel 6 is in the pipeline. We might even have a special edition of the NOT The Bulletin on April 1...

Inshallah.

Yaron A. ♣

Inshallah



Hi Yaron,

The situation is not that great in Liberia. Numbers in ebola are still going up. WHO and MSF say that it will get worse before it gets any better. Most air carriers have suspended their services. There are travel bans, food supply shortages, some riots in the quarantined areas and the health system is paralyzed.

For the fear of ebola, the health workers have fled from the clinics and those that are still operating are overcrowded. It is not possible to find treatment for any kind of health problem. If someone seeks help for malaria, for example, they might throw the person to quarantine for three weeks with other suspects, because the symptoms of ebola are similar.

Our company is continuing to operate and our airplane

is still flying in Liberia. Instead of returning to Liberia from summer vacation in Finland, Sirpa and I are now temporarily positioned to Accra to manage the flight operations from here, to plan for orderly departure for non-essential staff, to participate in ebola response planning, and to define company's evacuation preparation plans.



There are a couple of Rotary clubs in Accra. I will find one to visit in the coming days.

Please pass our regards to all our dear Rotary club friends.

Roy and Sirpa Rissanen

Accra, Ghana



Annual Bazaar

Blurbs about the Bazaar

Blurb No. 1

Dear Fellow Members,

Because we are badly in need of funds to support our many projects, we have decided to renew our Bazaar and Treasures Sale – the only fund-raising project of our club which can produce the sum of money that we need.

We need and rely on your help to accumulate our sale items – unwanted dust collectors that



are too good to throw out. We cannot take books or clothing, but we have a place for any other item, large or small. Jewelry, furniture, crockery, linens, glassware, kitchen items, gifts, games, art works, pocketbooks, tools – you name it, we can sell it!

Look into your own cabinets and closets. You will be amazed at what you will find!

Spread the word. Talk to EVERYONE that you know. No one exists who cannot contribute something... Friends

moving into new quarters will bless you for taking items from them!

Agree to sign up for one of the sale committees AND DON'T PLAN TO BE ANYWHERE EXCEPT AT THE SALE ON DECEMBER 10. With your help we will replenish our treasury and continue to support the humanitarian projects that will make our world a better place.

For pickups and information call: Helene 672-3181; Carry 054-525-4455; Nuha 050-218-8218.

Blurb No. 2

Dear Fellow Members,

Think! Eat! Sleep Bazaar! And make sure your doctor, lawyer, hairdresser, barber, neighbor, book club, personal trainer, grocer do the same. Let no one get away without giving a saleable item for the sale.

We will be coming around with sign-up sheets to flesh out the committees that are already at work to make our sale the success that it has always been. We work but we also have FUN, so come and add to the FELLOWSHIP! The committees that need additional staffing are:

- * The Advertising & Educating the public about Rotary Committee under the guidance of Eli Kenner
- * Pick-up drivers
- * Pricing and packing
- * Cake Sale contributions

More next week!

Ruth H. ♣



Club News

Election Results for the Board 2015-2016

Past Presidents:

Darmon, Sandi
Harris, Ruth
Seligman, David
Wisman, Kern

Reserves:

Khayat, Shlomo
Farber, Marilyn
Fain, Dick

Members:

Amitai, Yaron
Braunstein, Art
Rand, Mike
Shanit, Dan
Tannous, Nuha

Reserves:

De Werd, Guido
Stuart, Helène
Cohen Stewart, Geert

Outgoing President:

Tannous, Nezar

Ex officio:

PDG Lewitt, Irène

- * Election Monitors/Tellers: P/P Dick Fain, P/P Ruth Harris, P/P David Seligman
- * 28 of the club's 31 members voted
- * President Nezar Tannous will call a meeting of the 2015-16 Board to elect that Board's President a.s.a.p.

David S. ♣



International Toast

Young writers

San Marino is a small independent republic on the Italian Adriatic coast. It is just over 61 km² with an estimated population of over 30,000 of which 0.1% is Jewish (make the calculation yourselves...).

San Marino has the smallest population of all the members of the Council of Europe. It is the third smallest country in Europe, with only Vatican City and Monaco being smaller. It claims to be the oldest surviving sovereign state and constitutional republic in the world.



In the early days of Christianity, Saint Marinus left the island of Arba in present-day Croatia and went to the city of Rimini, Italy. After the Diocletianic Persecution following his Christian sermons, he escaped to the nearby Monte Tinano, where he built a small church and thus founded what is now the city and state of San Marino. The official date of the founding the Republic is 3 September 301CE.

The primary language spoken is Italian. Citizens of San Marino enjoy one of the highest life ex-

pectancies in the world. San Marino is a predominantly Catholic state but there is no established religion.

There has been a Jewish presence in San Marino since the late 14th century. Jews were granted official protection by the government, and during World War II, San Marino provided a haven for more than 100,000 Italians and Jews from Nazi persecution. In May this year, San Marino bid to become Righteous Among the Nations for its role in protecting Jews from the Holocaust.

The San Marino Rotary Club was founded in 1960. Tiny as their republic might be, they have no less than 53 members, who meet at the Grand Hotel Righi-La-Taverna in San Marino on Tuesday evenings under president Roberto Bandini.

Please raise your glasses and offer a resounding L'Chaim to the Rotary Club of San Marino.

Mike R. & Wikipedia ♣





Paint the Town Red

Last of the Summer Wine

The restored Railway Station of Jerusalem is fast becoming THE center for culinary, leisure and cultural entertainment in town. Accessible and open to the public 7 days a week, the vast wooden deck for strolling and entertainment, adorned with artifacts such as the original train wagons and locomotive, are attracting people from across Jerusalem's varied population.

Restaurants, a bar, pub, hummus, ice-cream and fresh juice places, a health food store and a farmers' market - the station offers a culinary workshop center and serves as a point of departure for walking, cycling and Segway tours in the Railway Park and beyond.

Under the canvas of a modern-day tent, live music is played regularly and classical movies are screened. In the gallery, changing exhibitions

and fairs are held; in addition, there are also yoga and zumba classes open to all and Kabbalat Shabbat

events with live music, singing and dancing until sunset and activities for all the family.



Regular events at the Station Farmers' Market every Thursday (16:00-22:00) and Friday (08:00-16:00); D Station - Urban fashion, on Wednesdays, Thursdays (16:00-22:00) and Fridays (10:00-17:00); Chick Chick Chack, a fair for children, on Tuesdays & Fridays and Artisans at the Station, every Monday (16:00-22:00) and Saturday from 11:00.

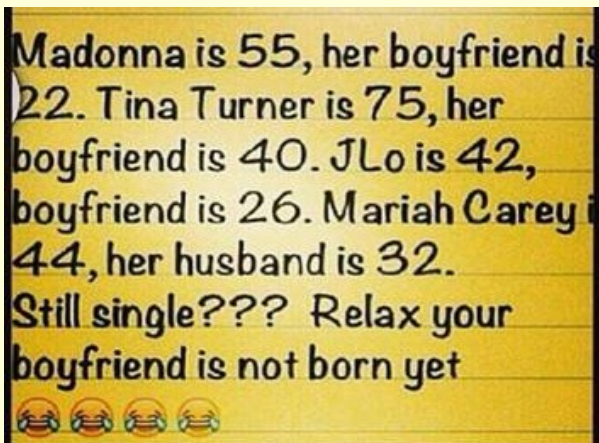
For the outdoors lovers, there is a sandy beach and even a wading pool. Paris plage... Eat your heart out!

Israel Ministry of Tourism & Yaron A. ♣



Happy Hour

Hope Springs Eternal



Sent in by Rafi A. ♣

Jerusalem Rotary Club

Meeting at the YMCA, 26 King David St, Jerusalem Wednesdays at 13:00, last Wednesday of each month at 19:00. Meetings are conducted in English. Visiting Rotarians and other guests are welcome.

Luncheon/Dinner cost: NIS 65, students and lone

soldiers: NIS 25. For Kosher meals please book in advance. For this and other enquiries please e-mail club secretary David Lilienthal: rawdav@gmail.com.

Visit our website:

www.JerusalemRotaryClub.org

