

Weekly Bulletin of

The Jerusalem Rotary Club

Club # 13459, District 2490

4 November 2015

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Upcoming Programme

11 November Meeting:

Speaker: Prof. Moshe Sharon: "The Development of Baha'i Studies in Israeli Academia"

11 November:

JRC Board meeting, Jerusalem YMCA 14:30

18 November Meeting:

Pending (outing postponed)

25 November Meeting:

The Honorable Juan Jose Escobar Stemmann
Consul-General of Spain:
"From Expulsion to Citizenship"
(Dinner Meeting)



This Week's Programme

Jerusalem Rotary Foundation

Annual General Meeting

Forty-six years ago the Jerusalem Rotary Foundation was established. The object of the Foundation is to award scholarships to deserving students in secondary schools who study subjects in the high-tech area. The criteria for selection includes academic excellence, participation in the activities of the school, community service, the economic status of the family and the recommendation of the student's teachers.

Each year from 50 to 60 scholarships are awarded to students from Jerusalem schools and in recent years three special awards were made for exceptional students. The funds for the scholarships arise from the interest on investments made from the donations of members and friends over the years.

As the Foundation is a registered amutah, i.e. a non-profit organization, it is required to hold an AGM of its members who constitute the total membership of the Jerusalem Rotary Club.

The Agenda will include a report from the current Chairman, P/P Rafi Aldor; presentation of the audited Financial Report for 2014; proposals and questions from the floor.

All members are urged to attend.

- P/P David Seligman, JRF Secretary ♣

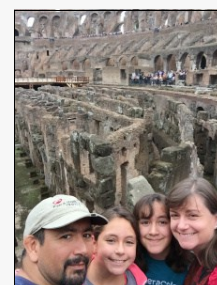


Surprise Presentation: Alba World Tour

See <https://albaworldtour.wordpress.com/>

San Diego Rotarians, Elena and Ivan Alba, and their two Rotoract girls Lily and Isabel are currently engaged working on Rotary projects around the world.

Their "Rotary World Tour", two weeks of which will be spent in Israel, after stops in places like Spain, France, Germany and Italy will continue with stops in Jordan, Kenya, Zimbabwe, India, Cambodia, Vietnam, China, the Philippines, Ecuador, and Peru. They will join us Wednesday and share some of their adventures.



The Alba Family At the Coliseum in Rome



Our wells in Kenya are providing clean, safe water that is improving the quality of life for hundreds of villagers. Children under five are better protected from water-borne diseases.

When the women in the village told us their stories, and how grateful they were to Rotary, I felt such happiness at being a member. What one can do alone is limited, but what we can do together in Rotary is truly amazing, and changes the lives of others for the better.

Michiko Mitarai shows Kenyan villagers a Japanese method for drawing water from a well.



One of the most promising projects of the conference was the WATEC 2015 Youth Challenge which saw 70 youth from 4 Arab and Jewish schools studying the problems together. They were acquainted with the cutting edge of water technology through exhibition displays and presentations and then challenged to collaborate and propose solutions which they presented to the conference.



A photograph of two men standing indoors. The man on the left is younger, with short grey hair, wearing a striped short-sleeved shirt and grey trousers. He is holding a white bag of fertilizer with green and yellow accents. The man on the right is older, with white hair and glasses, wearing a light blue long-sleeved shirt, a blue tie, and dark trousers. He is also holding a similar white bag of fertilizer. They are both smiling at the camera. The background is a plain wall with a blue door or panel on the left.

A photograph showing a man in a light-colored striped short-sleeved shirt holding a framed certificate or plaque. He is smiling and looking towards the camera. A woman with long dark hair, wearing a dark blue polo shirt, stands next to him, also smiling and holding the bottom of the frame. The background is a plain blue wall.

- Kern W. ♣



Rotary Youth Exchange

Short Term Exchange Programs (STEP)

Applications are now being accepted for two kinds of Rotary youth exchanges, you may know youth that would be well qualified for participating in in one of these programs.

1) Family to family exchange

(Homestays Ages 15-19)

General Application Pages 3-7 and Supplementary Page A

This program is for individual participants or groups of participants to stay with host families in another country for a few weeks. Most Homestays are reciprocal; for example, a Brazil-Germany exchange may start with a young person from Brazil spending a few weeks in Germany, followed by a visit from a German youth to Brazil. Such exchanges are normally family-to-family or club-to-club. During the course of this program it may be possible to participate in **Tours** for groups of young people from the same country or several different countries.

2) Youth Camps and Tours

(Ages 15-24 as determined by the organisers of the individual camp or tour)

General Application Pages 3-7 and Supplementary Page B

These camps bring together participants from several countries and take place usually in summer. Camps may have themes such as sports, culture, nature, language, computer or participation in a community service project. Some camps provide leadership training and address international concerns. By bringing together international participants, camps promote cultural tolerance and international understanding through friendship.

Where possible young people with disabilities will be included in the camp or tour programs, however for the more severely disabled special camps known as '**Handicamps**' are organised where participants can be assisted by a carer. In addition to the Application Form fur-

ther information from participants will be required by the organisers. The application form can be found at this website (Control, Click to download)

http://www.intercambio4560.com.br/downloads/Application_Form_Short-Term.pdf

International Winter Camp "Discover Sun Moon Lake – the Heart of Taiwan"

(26-12-2015 to 08-01-2016)

Host District: D3460 of Rotary Youth Exchange Multidistrict Taiwan (RYEMT)

Organizing RC: RC Sun Moon Lake

Participants: max. 12 youths aged 16-18 years old, one boy or one girl from each country on the basis of first come first served. Participants will receive acceptance information as soon as possible.

- * **Camp Focus:** friendship, cultures, sight-seeing, sports and fun
- * **Camp Language:** English (with some Mandarin Chinese)
- * **Costs:** Only round trip tickets to Taiwan and pocket money for personal expenses
- * **Accommodation:** study center dormitory, host families & youth hostels
- * **Clothing:** casual wear for activities like sightseeing, hiking, swimming and sports
- * **Insurance:** sufficient travel and health insurance
- * **Arrival:** December 26th, 2015 - Taipei Taoyuan International Airport
- * **Departure:** January 08th, 2016 - Taipei Taoyuan International Airport

Applications: Send EEMA application in PDF format (with color photo and sponsor-club/district signatures) to campsd3460@gmail.com

ATTN: Doris Huang, STEP Coordinator of RYEMT

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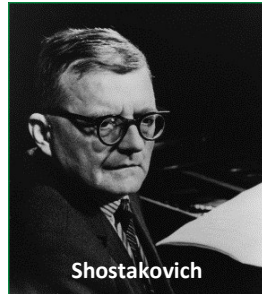




International Toast

The Rotary Club of Dortmund-Romberg

Today marks the premiere, 72 years ago, one of the most impressive works of one of Russia's most important composers of the 20th century, Dimitri Shostakovich. Born in St. Petersburg in 1906 and died in 1975 in Moscow, Shostakovich wrote his Symphony No. 8 in C minor (Opus 65) in the summer of 1943, and it was first performed on November 4 in the



Shostakovich

Bolshoi-Hall in the Conservatory of Moscow by the USSR Symphony Orchestra under Yevgeny Mravinsky, to whom the work is dedicated. Shostakovich failed to fulfill the official expectations with this symphony which he wrote to commemorate the great patriot war against Germany. The symphony does not appear on concert programs very often falling within the tradition "tragedy to triumph" symphonies, such as Beethoven's Fifth, Brahms' First, Bruckner's Eighth, and Mahler's Second. It is often called "his most tragic work". The work, like many of Shostakovich's symphonies, breaks some of the standard conventions of symphonic form and structure. Shortly after its premiere the Russian

Government gave the symphony the name "The Stalingrad Symphony", which served as an interpretation indicating that Shostakovich's dark music was to be considered as a reflection of the dramatic battle of Stalingrad. In reality the symphony tells of individual sorrow, sues for freedom and mourns everybody, who has been victim of violence. The symphony was forbidden for a long time, but is now considered as one of the most



Album Cover Amsterdam
Concertgebouw orchestra's
Shostakovich recording

important works of Shostakovich. Later in life Shostakovich became well respected as a composer, and became accepted in Russian society.

Today many Rotary Clubs in the world use this composition of Shostakovich as the basis for organizing benefit-concerts as money raisers for their foundations or charity-projects.



Dortmund

During the Crimea Crisis the Dortmund-



Romberg Rotary Club organized four peace concerts with compositions by Shostakovich in four cities. These concerts were initiated by Alexander Ostrowsky, who with this initiative strove to increasing understanding and friendship between Ukraine, where he was born on the Crimea, and Russia, where he studied at the Moscow at the Tchaikovsky conservatory.

So in honor of this peaceful initiative we toast the **Rotary Club of Dortmund-Romberg**, District 1900, in North-Rhine Westphalia, Germany. The club was founded in 2003. and its president for 2015/2016 is Johannes Hessel. The club has 62 members and meets every Tuesday, 1:00 pm, at the Hotel Wittekind, Westfalendamm 270, Dortmund.



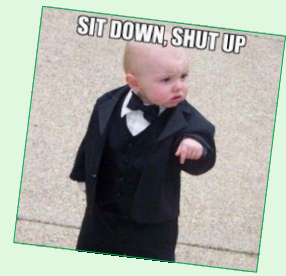
President Johannes Hessel

- Guido de W. ♣



Happy Hour

Children: You spend the first 2 years of their life teaching them to walk and talk. Then you spend the next 16 telling them to sit down and shut-up.



- Anonymous



Patience is something you admire in the driver behind you, but not in one ahead.

- Bill McGlashen

By the time a man realizes that his father was right, he has a son who thinks he's wrong.

- Charles Wadsworth



We've all heard that a million monkeys banging on a million typewriters will eventually reproduce the entire works of Shakespeare. Now, thanks to the Internet, we know this is not true.

- Robert Wilensky

The trouble with being punctual is that nobody's there to appreciate it.

- Franklin P. Jones



A filing cabinet is a place where you can lose things systematically.

- T.H. Thompson

The scientific theory I like best is that the rings of Saturn are composed entirely of lost airline luggage.

- Mark Russell



Contributions by Kern W. ♣

Jerusalem Rotary Club

Weekly Lunch Meetings are at the YMCA, 26 King David St, Jerusalem Wednesdays at 13:00. The last Wednesday of each month is a dinner meeting at 19:00.

Meetings are conducted in English.

Visiting Rotarians and other guests are welcome.

Luncheon/Dinner costs: NIS 75, students and lone soldiers: NIS 50, children under 18: NIS 30.

For Kosher meals please book in advance. For this and other enquiries please contact us through the Contact section on the website.

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www.rotaryclubjerusalem.org

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