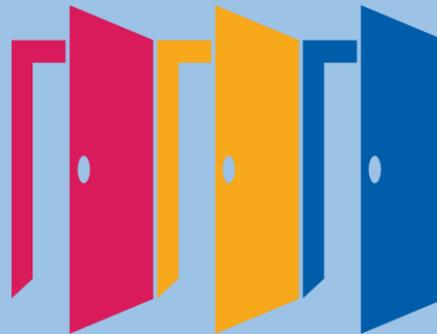




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Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Today's Program – "Israel of 2020: Three Huge Stories, Three Parallel Universes"

Mr. Owen Alterman, Senior International Affairs Correspondent i24 News, Jaffa Port

Owen Alterman is the Senior International Affairs Correspondent at i24NEWS, the satellite television channel broadcasting from the Jaffa Port. In his role at the channel, Owen focuses on international news while also covering Israeli politics and diplomacy. Owen has reported from the signing of the Abraham Accords at the White House and the Trump-Kim summit in Singapore, as well as from France, The Netherlands, Portugal, Poland, Russia, China, Taiwan, and South Korea, as well as from countless locations up and down Israel.

Prior to joining i24NEWS, Owen served as a research fellow at the Institute for National Security Studies and, prior to that, as an associate at the law firm of Allen & Overy LLP in New York. Owen grew up in the United States, made aliyah in 2010, and over time has also lived in Hong Kong, Sierra Leone, and Romania (where he served for two years as a Peace Corps volunteer). Owen holds an A.B. (summa cum laude) in Near Eastern Studies from Princeton University and a J.D. from Harvard Law School.

Upcoming Events

6 January, 2021

Ben Moore,

Chief Strategist and
Foreign Media
Spokesperson
Ministry of Strategic
Affairs

**"Israel's Changing
Strategic Reality --
an Assist to
Combating
Delegitimization?"**

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

We have no birthdays or anniversaries to celebrate. Best of health to all of you



The President's Corner

One more day and we will pass into the next year – 2021! This outgoing year has been remarkable. The Corona crisis brought many changes to our lives. Now the time of vaccinations has started. I do hope that we will return to a 'normal' life very soon and am sending all of you my very best wishes for the New Year. May 2021 bring health, happiness and success to all of you.

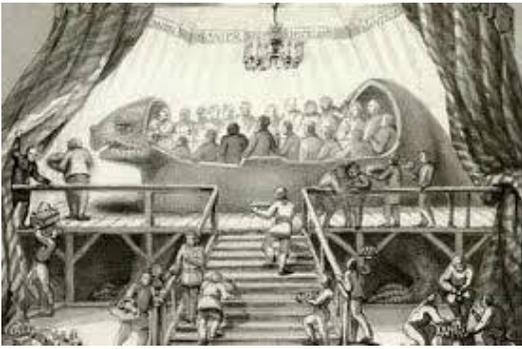
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International Toast – Rotary Club of Manila

Three noteworthy historical events that happened on 30 December, the day of our meeting:

1853 A dinner party is held inside a life-size model of an Iguanodon (ornithopod dinosaur) created by Benjamin Waterhouse Hawkins and Sir Richard Owen in south London. Hawkins (8 February 1807 – 27 January 1894) was an English sculptor and natural history artist renowned for his work on the life-size models of dinosaurs in the Crystal Palace Park in south London. The models, accurately made using the latest scientific knowledge, created a sensation at the time. Hawkins was also a noted lecturer on zoological topics. He collaborated with Sir Richard Owen and other leading scientific figures of the time: Owen estimated the size and overall shape of the animals, leaving Hawkins to sculpt the models according to Owen's directions. Paleontology is the scientific study of life that existed prior to, and sometimes including, the start of the Holocene Epoch (roughly 11,700 years before present). It includes the study of fossils to classify organisms and study interactions with each other and their environments (their paleoecology). Paleontological observations have been documented as far back as the 5th century BCE. The science became established in the 18th century as a result of Georges Cuvier's work on comparative anatomy, and developed rapidly in the 19th century.



Hawkins's dinner party



Jose Rizal



Winston Churchill

1896 Filipino nationalist José Rizal is executed by firing squad in Manila by the Spanish. José Protasio Rizal Mercado y Alonso Realonda (June 19, 1861 – December 30, 1896) was a Filipino nationalist during the tail end of the Spanish colonial period of the Philippines. He is tagged as the national hero of the Filipino people. An ophthalmologist by profession, Rizal became a writer and a key member of the Filipino Propaganda Movement, which advocated political reforms for the colony under Spain. He was executed by the Spanish colonial government for the crime of rebellion after the Philippine Revolution, inspired in part by his writings, broke out. Though he was not actively involved in its planning or conduct, he ultimately approved of its goals which eventually led to Philippine independence. He is widely considered one of the greatest heroes of the Philippines and has been recommended to be so honored by an officially empaneled National Heroes Committee. 30 December – Rizal Day is a National Holiday in the Philippines.

1941 In an emotional speech to the Canadian Parliament Winston Churchill states Britain will never surrender to "Hitler and his Nazi gang" and that "they have asked for total war. Let us make sure they get it". December, 1941: The United States joins Canada and Great Britain in the war against Germany and Japan, and Winston S. Churchill, Great Britain's charismatic new prime minister, travels to Washington, D.C. to meet President Franklin D. Roosevelt. His next stop is Ottawa, where on Dec. 30 he delivers an electrifying address that stirs the passions and strengthens the resolve of a nation at war. "We plunged into this war all unprepared because we had pledged our word to stand by the side of Poland, which Hitler had feloniously invaded, and in spite of a gallant resistance had soon struck down. There followed those astonishing seven months which were called on this side of the Atlantic the "phoney" war. Suddenly the explosion of pent-up German strength and preparation burst upon Norway, Denmark, Holland, and Belgium. All these absolutely blameless neutrals, to most of whom Germany up to the last moment was giving every kind of guarantee and assurance, were overrun and trampled down. The hideous massacre of Rotterdam, where 30,000 people perished, showed the ferocious barbarism in which the German Air Force revels when, as in Warsaw and later Belgrade, it is able to bomb practically undefended cities. On top of all this came the great French catastrophe. The French Army collapsed, and the French nation was dashed into utter and, as it has so far proved, irretrievable confusion."

Today we are toasting the Rotary Club of Manila, the oldest Rotary Club in Asia. Chartered in 1919 as club number 478. Today the area of Metro Manila has 289 Rotary Clubs. We are toasting RC Manila on Rizal Day, in memory of their national hero Jose Rizal.

Dieter Ziulkowski



Some other news

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



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.