

BULLETIN JERUSALEM ROTARY CLUB

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Upcoming Events

21 August

Our very own Rotarian
Art Braunstein, USFSO
Ret., USAID Health,
Nutrition and Family
Planning Officer will talk
on 'Family planning in
the Muslim world'



Today's Program - 'Esperanto for All'

By Laurin Lewis of the Esperanto Association of Israel

Laurin was born in Los Angeles in 1940. He studied philosophy at Reed College in Portland, Oregon, graduating in 1963. Laurin worked for several years as a math teacher on the secondary level. In 1973 he discovered (and learned) Esperanto, the international language. The same year he moved to Rotterdam, Holland, to work at the office of the International Esperanto Association. Later he lived in Paris and taught English at the University of Paris. Laurin made Aliyah in 1984, and taught English at the academic level. He earned an MA degree in Applied Linguistics at the University of London's external branch. In 2008 Laurin founded the Self-Access English Learning Center, a company that develops and markets computer programs for learning English at home. Laurin lives in Jerusalem. He is active in the local Esperanto Club and the Israel Esperanto Association. He is married and a father and grandfather.

Foundation Greetings and Foundation Thoughts of the Week:

Lots to celebrate this week!!

We had no 'bulletin' last week and thus we like to congratulate our President Robert Hammer on his birthday on 9 August. Mazal Tov

PDG David Neumann will celebrate his birthday on August 16, and he and Leah will mark their Anniversary on August 20. (And we add a refuah shlemah, get well soon to you both!)

Dieter Ziulkowski will blow out his birthday candles on August 17

And on the same August 17, David and Ronit Zwebner will celebrate their Anniversary.

Moshe and Arna Raz will celebrate their Anniversary on August 19.

Foundation Thoughts of the Week: We live in a noisy environment. Here are some thoughts on SILENCE:.

- Better to remain silent and be thought a fool, than to speak out and remove all doubt. (Author unknown)
- "Men were made more to listen than to talk, for Nature has given them two ears, but only one mouth." Benjamin Disraeli
- "If silence be good for the wise, how much the better for fools." The Talmud



The President's Corner

Our dear President Robert Hammer is regretfully 'out of action' for some time due to sudden health problems. We all wish him a speedy recovery and the very best of health. We need him at our helm and thus are eagerly waiting for his return



International Toast - Rotary Club of Köln Dom

If Queen Elizabeth I would have agreed, the Netherlands would have become a part of the United Kingdom. Imagine, Brexit and 'Nexit' together. What would have happened in history – if? This and two other noteworthy events that happened on August 14:

1585 Queen Elizabeth I of England refuses sovereignty of Netherlands. The Dutch Revolt (1568–1648) was the revolt of the northern, largely Protestant Seven Provinces of the Low Countries against the rule of the Roman Catholic Habsburg King Philip II of Spain, hereditary ruler of the provinces. These tensions led to the formation of the independent Dutch Republic, whose first leader was William the Silent (William of Orange). Effectively, the seventeen provinces were now divided into a southern group loyal to the Spanish king and a rebellious northern group. Having repudiated Philip of Spain , the States-General of the Netherlands tried to find a suitable replacement. The Protestant Queen of England, Elizabeth I, seemed the obvious choice to be protector of the Netherlands. Elizabeth, however, found the idea abhorrent and declined.







William



Cologne Cathedral



Imber

1880 Cologne Cathedral completed, the largest Gothic cathedral in Northern Europe. Construction of Cologne Cathedral began in 1248 but was halted in 1473, unfinished. Work did not restart until the 1840s, and the edifice was completed to its original Medieval plan in 1880. It was declared a World Heritage Site in 1996. It is Germany's most visited landmark, attracting an average of 20,000 people a day, and currently the tallest twin-spired church at 157 m tall, second in Europe after the Ulm Cathedral and third in the world. The site had already been occupied by several previous structures. The earliest may have been for grain storage, and possibly was succeeded by a Roman temple. From the 4th century on, however, the site was occupied by Christian buildings, including a square edifice known as the "oldest cathedral" that was commissioned by Maternus, the first bishop of Cologne.

1907 "Ha-Tikva" adopted as official Zionist hymn at the 8th Zionist Congress in The Hague, Netherlands. Its lyrics are adapted from a poem by Naftali Herz Imber, a Jewish poet from Złoczów (today Zolochiv, Ukraine). In 1882 Imber immigrated to Ottoman-ruled Palestine and read his poem to the pioneers of the early Jewish colonies. Hatikvah was chosen as the organisational anthem of the First Zionist Congress in 1897.

This week we are toasting the Rotary Club Köln Dom, chartered 60 years ago on 19 March 1959 with the name of Cologne's cathedral, one of seven Rotary Clubs in the city and another 15 RCs nearby.

Dieter Ziulkowski



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.