



Weekly Bulletin of

The Jerusalem Rotary Club

Club # 13459, District 2490

2 September 2015

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P/ Yaron Amitai

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R/ David Lilienthal

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Upcoming Programmes

9 September Meeting:

Visit to the Club by of District Governor Emile El-Asmar

16 September Meeting:

R/ Sari Taha

Solair Energy Ltd.

"Energy Access and Emerging Markets"



This Week's Programme

Yaron Amitai

International Consultant

"Cyprus in the Breach"

Our own Yaron Amitai one of our minority group of Israeli-born members. He was born in Kfar Saba in 1953 to a polyglot family and raised in Tel Aviv before doing his military service in the Nahal and then the Armored Corps as tank commander.

Having survived the Yom Kippur War in 1973, he became a member of Kibbutz Saar in the Western Galilee before graduating from the Hebrew University with a BSc in Geology (1980) and the Twente University in The Netherlands with an MSc in Geo-Informatics (1992). In between, he dedicated much time to his fascination with the Hellenic-Byzantine world of Greece and Cyprus.

In addition to roaming Latin America and the Caribbean as an International Consultant for the Inter American Development Bank (IADB) and private-sector firms, he has run his own specialized travel company for some years, and is now back in the business of organizing and leading in-depth tours to Greece and Cyprus. He has written a number of in-depth

guide books in Hebrew, all published by the prestigious Keter Publishing House in Jerusalem.



Divided Cyprus faces multiple challenges: a major financial crisis, the specter of a natural-gas boom and a fresh round of talks about reunification, all of which will be the topic of Yaron's presentation to the Club.



Yaron doing his imitation of Jeremy Clarkson

Important !!!

2015-16 District Governor Emile El-Asmar, District 2490, will make the annual and traditional District Governor visit to the Jerusalem Rotary Club on 9 September at 13:00.

Please help the Club to have a good showing. It is a good time to share with the District Governor information about our Club's projects, our activities and the concerns and questions we may have about Rotary in Israel.



Dear Editor,

Posted on Jerusalem Rotary Club website (old), Thursday August 27, 2015:

My name is Egbert Mulder, member of Rotary Club Naarden Bussum, district Midden Nederland D 1570, the Netherlands. I am visiting Israel in October and would like to attend your meeting at 28 October. Can you please inform me if that is possible?

Kind regards, Egbert Mulder*

Response from P/P Mark Zober:

Dear Rotarian Egbert,

Thank you for your posting a message on our Jerusalem Rotary Club website (old) today. We look forward to your visit in October.

I am copying our

- * Club President: Yaron Amitai
- * Secretary: David Lilienthal
- * Club members from the Netherlands:
- * Louis & Carry Polak
- * Geert Haim Cohen Stuart
- * Art Braunstein (Program Chair)

I Will leave to you a to work out details of your visit. It would be wonderful if your Club could join us in sponsoring s worthy Global Grant. I am also copying your Club President Effie Van Ginneken who might consider sending Rotary greetings to President Yaron to explore inter--Club fellowship & service opportunities.

Yours in Rotary
PP Mark Zober

(Reprinted from an earlier distributed email)

We are beginning to try to build a new website for the club, since the existing one works with a severely outdated software which cannot be updated.

Starting almost from scratch means among other things collecting materials that should be shown on the website. This includes photographs, both from the present situation and from our past; we have a page with the club history which need updating and maybe some new pictures.

Therefore, anything you have that may be of interest, and any ideas you have for what should be on the website, please let me know and/or send it to me.

Photographs that are printed on paper can, of course, be scanned and used.

Any written material is also welcome, such as summaries of the activities of the committees of the club, projects, scholarships outings etc.

And finally, anyone who has experience with websites, or want to get such experience, is hereby invited to join in this exploratory adventure. No time limit is set, and no success is guaranteed, only a serious try.

All best regards,
S/David L.

Longtime Jerusalem Rotary Club member, Helene Stuart, has been in Sha'arei Hatzedek hospital receiving medical treatment, recently, but has been transferred and is now at the Hadassah Hospital, Mt. Scopus, "Hospice", section on the third floor. Helene's correct mobile phone number is 054-733-1810. If you would like to visit her, it is suggested that you do her the courtesy of calling her first*.

Club Dues



**2015-16
Dues
1000 NIS
(17 Paid)**



Reminder for Members of the 2015-16 Jerusalem Rotary Club Board

There will be a Board Meeting, Wednesday 2 September, 14:45, Following the regular Club Luncheon Meeting.

A Personal Note:

Many thanks for the expressions of concern for the health condition of our son. The heart-related urgency which had Barbara and me travelling to Missouri to be with him has gratefully been successfully treated and he is well, improving, and with a good prognosis.

Thank you,
Kern W.



International Toast

Rotary Club of Tower Hamlets

At the evening of Sunday, 2 September 1666, shortly after midnight, a fire started at a bakery in Pudding Lane in London, and spread rapidly west over the City.

The **Great Fire of London** is one of the major fires in the history



of mankind and as famous of the Burning of Rome in 64 c.a. The fire gutted the whole medieval city, from the Tower till Fleet Street. Westminster was saved. Many historical buildings of the medieval city as the old St. Paul's Cathedral were destroyed.

The fire consumed in total 13,200 buildings and 87 parish churches including most of the buildings of the City authorities. It is estimated to have destroyed the homes of 70,000 of the City's 80,000 inhabitants. The fire was eventually extinguished three days later on Wednesday 5 September 1666. In The Museum of London there exists a wonderful model of the medieval city with a realistic reconstruction of the Great Fire.

After the Fire the city was rebuilt rather quickly. The most famous of the new buildings was the



Sir Christopher Wren

new St. Paul's Cathedral, designed by Sir Christopher Wren, who also designed the Monument for the Great Fire, which was erected 1677, and still exists, today, near Pudding Lane, providing the name for the nearby Underground Station, "Monument". There was, at one time, a Rotary Club of Tower Bridge

in this neighborhood but it ceased as a club in 2013.

The Rotary Club of Tower Hamlets meets, near the starting place of the Great Fire, situated to the east of the City of London. In close proximity are the Tower of London, Tower Bridge as well as the new business area of the Docklands with the Canary Wharf. The Club was chartered in 1929.



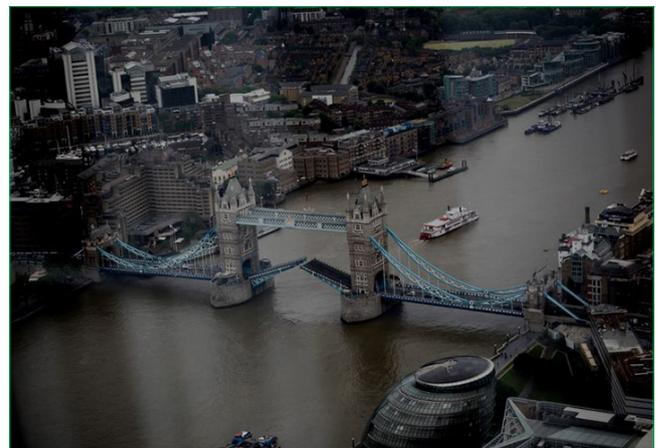
Monument for the Great Fire of London,

The President in 2014/2015 is Abdul Shahid. The club meets every Wednesday at 19.00 hours at The Captain Kidd Pub (1st Floor restaurant) 108, Wapping High Street, London E1W.

Guido de W.



London with the Tower Bridge, home area of the Rotary Club of Tower Hamlets

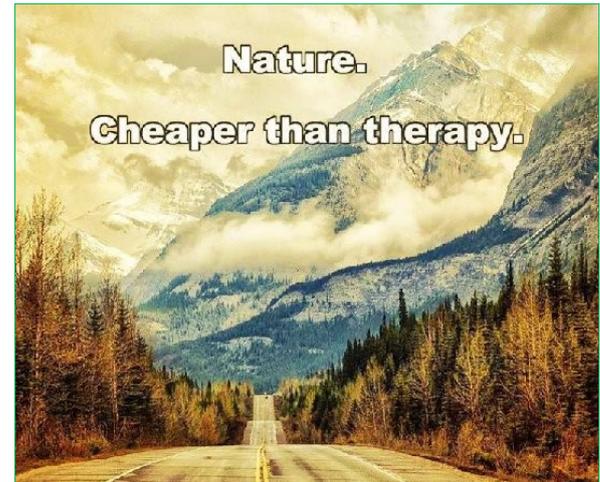
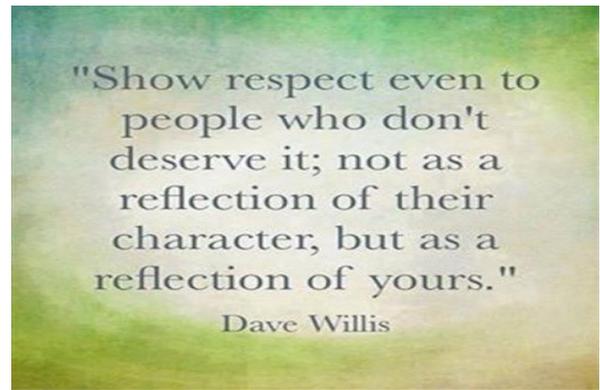
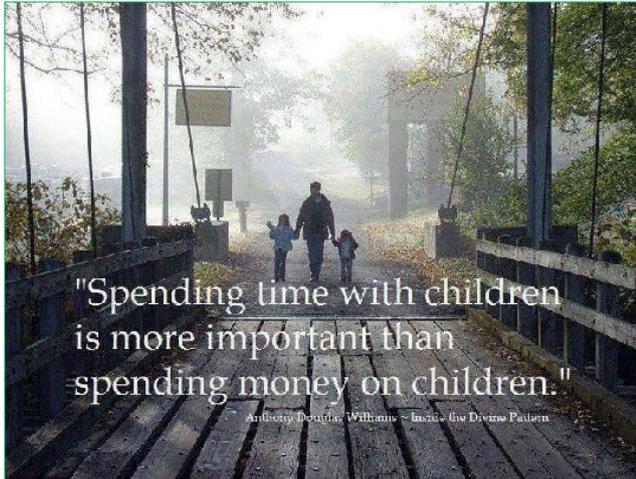


End Polio Now: Members of the Rotary Club of Tower Hamlets, 3rd from right, President Abdul Shahid

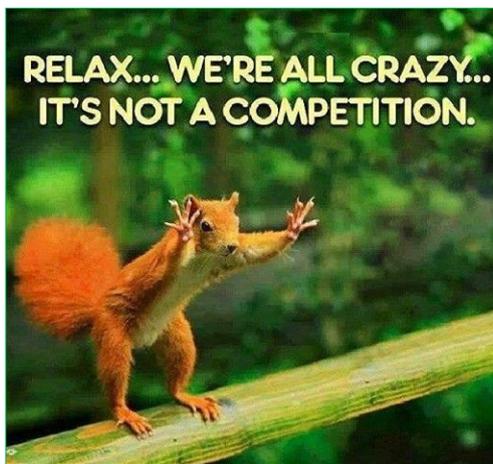


Happy Hour

Things to Ponder



Contributed by Carry P.



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 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 e-mail club secretary David Lienthal: rawdav@gmail.com.

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www.JerusalemRotaryClub.org

