

Weekly Bulletin of

The Jerusalem Rotary Club

Club # 13459, District 2490

03 February 2016

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Upcoming Programme

03 February Meeting:

Club board meeting,
YMCA 14:40 (2:40pm)

10 February Meeting:

Dr. Zadok Alon
Head Visitor Center,
Bank of Israel

"Money, Money Everywhere - New Bank Notes"

17 February Meeting:

Club Assembly and
presentation of the Peace
Education Project by R/
Dan Shanit

24 February Dinner Meeting:

Speaker Pending



This Week's Programme

Prof. Moshe Arens

Former Minister of Defense



"The Lavi Fighter Project, Past, Present, and Future"

Prof. Moshe (Misha) Arens was born in 1925 in Lithuania, immigrated to the United States in 1939. He earned his BS engineering degree from MIT and a degree in aeronautical engineering from Caltech. He served in both the U.S Army Corp of Engineers and the Etzel during the War of Independence. In 1951, Prof. Arens returned to the US to study aeronautical engineering at Caltech.



PM Netanyahu and wife at event in honor of Professor Moshe Aren's 90th Birthday with his wife Muriel

At 90 years of age, he has served many positions, in and out of government, including positions in academia and industry.

Prof. Arens 25 years of service in the Knesset began in 1974. during which time he served as

Chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee. 1982 Prof. Arens was appointed Ambassador to Washington. He was required to leave that post in 1983 to become the Minister of Defense a role he would take on once more in 1990. He also served as Minister without Portfolio, 1983-84 and 1988, and Foreign Minister from 1990-1992. Prof. Arens championed the



PM Peres in cockpit of Lavi Fighter, 1985



Lavi (Young Lion) Fighter

development of the hi-tech Lavi jet fighter. In spite of successful flights, the program was ultimately cancelled in 1987.



International Toast

Celebrating 100 Years

At the 1917 convention, outgoing RI President Arch C. Klumph proposed to set up an endowment “for the purpose of doing good in the world.” In 1928, it was renamed The Rotary Foundation, and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International.



GROWTH OF THE FOUNDATION

In 1929, the Foundation made its first gift of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children. The organization, created by Rotarian Edgar F. “Daddy” Allen, later grew into Easter Seals.



When Rotary founder Paul Harris died in 1947, contributions began pouring in to Rotary International, and the Paul Harris Memorial Fund was created to build the Foundation.

EVOLUTION OF THE FOUNDATION

1947: The Foundation established its first program, Fellowships for Advance Study, later known as Ambassadorial Scholarships.

1965-66: Three programs were launched: Group Study Exchange, Awards for Technical Training, and Grants for Activities in Keeping with the Ob-



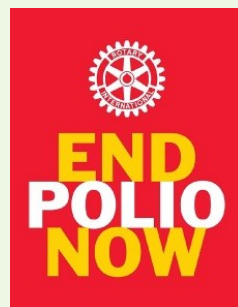
jective of The Rotary Foundation, which was later called Matching Grants.

1978:
Rotary in-



troduced the Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants. The first 3-H Grant funded a project to immunize 6 million Philippine children against polio.

1985: The PolioPlus program was launched to eradicate polio worldwide.



1987-88: The first peace forums were held, leading to Rotary Peace Fellowships.







2013: New district, global, and packaged grants enable Rotarians

around the world to respond to the world's greatest needs.

Since the first donation of \$26.50 in 1917, the Foundation has received contributions totaling more than \$1 billion.

- The Rotary Foundation ♣

Global Grants – Areas of Focus

-  * Peace and Conflict Prevention / Resolution
-  * Disease Prevention and Treatment
-  * Water and Sanitation
-  * Maternal and Child Health
-  * Basic Education and Literacy
-  * Economic and Community Development

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District News

Young Speakers' Competition

The National Finals for high school and middle school students of the District's Annual Young Speakers' Competition will be host-

ed this year by the Ashdod Rotary Club on Sunday 20 March at the Performing Arts Center with registration and refreshments from 16:00 - 17:00 and speaking competition from 17:00 - 9:30. A competition for elementary students will be held on Monday the first of April, registration from 9:00 -9:30 and competition from 9:30 -11:30.

- District Secretary, Laura Netzer ♣



International Toast

Rotary Club of Mason City, Iowa

“Bye, bye, Miss American Pie...”

In the United States, 3 February is often referred to as “The Day the Music Died”, a phrase immortalized by singer Don McLean in his song “American Pie” where he refers to the tragic airplane crash which took the lives of three of the most promising young musicians and song writers of the day: The Big Bopper, Buddy Holly, and Richie Valens.



Many conflicting theories have been suggested over the years about how a four passenger Beechcraft Bonanza flying with an experienced, but young, 21 yr. old, pilot flying in dangerous wintry conditions might have come to crash in a cornfield minutes after takeoff. What is not contested is the tremendous loss the crash presented to the world of music. The Big Bopper (J.P. Richards) had the year before released the well received favorite “Chantilly Lace”, Richie Valens had just released the immensely popular “La Bamba” and Buddy Holly’s contribution to music was to fundamentally change the music of the day and influence



countless artists who would follow.

Buddy, who was fed up with the cold of the touring

bus, decided to contract an airplane to fly three of the members (the capacity of the airplane) to Fargo, North Dakota, the closest airport to their next concert at Morehead, Minne-

sota. The airplane left the airport at Mason City, the closest airport to their last concert in Clear Lake, Iowa, at about 1:00 am in the morning in the midst of stormy wintry conditions but crashed a few minutes later.

We commemorate this memorable date by toasting the Rotary Club of Mason City, Iowa, (Mason City Noon Rotary) where on 18 June 2016 the Mason City Noon Rotary Club will celebrate their centennial anniversary.



Part of Rotary District 5970, having begun 100 years ago with 22 members, they now have ninety-one members. President Scott Joel Shipman gavels the meetings open at the Prime and Wine restaurant Mondays at noon.

According to their website, the Club is active in several areas, of community assistance. The club has been, for the past two years at least, providing layettes for young



Meals on Wheels

mothers in Nicaragua. It has supported with donations the activities of the NIVC (North Iowa Educational Center). Members have been



Rotary Readers

also supports a special “Rotary Readers” program at the elementary school level, but it appears the big smiles



“Hole in One Shoot Out”

active in assisting with the meals on wheels program, the annual “Kettle Campaign” and supporting Rotary Scholarship

programs. The club appears the big smiles seem to come out around the golf course fund raisers, whether it is a Rotary “Hole-in One Shoot Out” or a “Golf and Grill”.

Kern W. ♣



Happy Hour

What We Don't Discuss at Rotary, the "P"-Word

Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich, by promising to protect each from the other.

-- Oscar Ameringer

Politicians use statistics in the same way that a drunk uses lamp-posts, more for support than illumination.

-- Andrew Land in a 1910 speech

A poll of October 8, 2013, showed that the American public has a higher opinion of witches, the IRS, and even hemorrhoids than of congress.

-- from a "60 minutes" interview with Senator Tom Coburn, 21 December 2014



I offered my opponents a deal: if they stop telling lies about me, I'll stop telling the truth about them.

-- Adlai Stevenson, campaign speech, 1952

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.

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