



# BULLETIN JERUSALEM ROTARY CLUB

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Club #13459 District  
2490



**90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**21 November 2018**

Club #13459

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## Today's Program

Mitchell Barak,

Founder: Keevoon Global Research, Ltd, Jerusalem

Topic: **"Exciting Israeli Political Developments - Local and National"**

Mitchell Barak has been called "one of Israel's savviest pollsters" by the Washington Times. His opinions and surveys are regularly quoted in leading publications like the Wall Street Journal, New York Times, Financial Times, Economist, Newsweek, Los Angeles Times, CS Monitor, Haaretz, BBC, Al Jazeera and many others.

Mitchell has also held a number of appointed positions within the Israeli government. Recently, he was the international media advisor and spokesman for Israeli President Shimon Peres. Previously he served as a speechwriter and communications assistant for Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, and was an adviser to Finance Ministers Yaakov Neeman and Dan Meridor. Additionally, Mitchell worked as an aide to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in the Foreign Ministry and in Prime Minister's Office during the tenure of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

A polling tech entrepreneur, he co-founded MOBOPINIONS, a technology start-up that has developed an innovative platform for polling, profiling and targeting mobile phone users. In the past three years he has fielded more than 4 million survey research questions in 160 different countries.

A New York native, Mitchell holds a BA degree in Political Science and Psychology from George Washington University in Washington, DC. He lives with his wife and their seven children in Jerusalem. His hobbies are running, biking, photography and music, but he enjoys fatherhood and husbandry most.

*Received below story which almost all of us could take as an advice:*

*Two patients limp into two different medical clinics with the same complaint?  
Both have trouble walking and appear to require a hip replacement.*

## Upcoming Events

**28 November** t.b.a.

*The FIRST patient is examined within the hour, is x-rayed the same day and has a time booked for surgery the following week.*

*The SECOND sees his family doctor after waiting 3 weeks for an appointment, then waits 8 weeks to see a specialist, then gets an x-ray, which isn't reviewed for another week and finally has his surgery scheduled for 6 months from then.*

*Why the different treatment for the two patients?*

*The FIRST is a Golden Retriever.  
The SECOND is a Senior Citizen.*

*Next time take me to a vet!*

### *Party time!*

Our club is not the only club in the District to celebrate a round anniversary of its foundation this year. The Modiin Club was founded 20 years ago and the Ramle club already 30 years ago. The Rotary Club of Ramleh is celebrating the 30th anniversary at December 5, starting 18:30. Location: Eshkol Hapayis, 6 R. Hazayit, Ramleh. Entry: NIS 50

Please let us know latest at next week's evening meeting whether you will come to Ramle so we can arrange how to travel.

*Just for memory below invitation mentioned in last week's bulletin and some other WASRAG news:*

#### Lectures in Rehovot 27.11.18

#### **WASRAG (Water And Sanitation Rotary Action Group)**

The meeting will begin at 16.30. Program:

1. welcome greetings by Governor Alon Bendet
2. Activities of the district water committee by PDG Avner Fuchs/
3. Dangers of irrigation with sewage water by Prof. Beny Hefets/
4. Activities of Rotary Hands Across Water by Dr. Amnon Shefi and Dr. Gerald Sussman
5. Water crisis in the world, WASRAG activities and Rotary Foundation Dr. Ron Danham

The meeting will end at 1830 approx. You are all invited.

#### **World Toilet Day - November 19**

"When nature calls, we need a toilet. But billions of people don't have one." These are the first sentences on the World Toilet Day website - <http://www.worldtoiletday.info> In 2013, the United Nations adopted a resolution to recognize November 19 as World Toilet Day.

#### **Save the Date - May 31, 2019**

Just before the Rotary International Convention starts, WASRAG pulls together top-notch speakers for plenary, breakout, and round table discussions. On May 31, 2019 in Hamburg, Germany, World Water Summit 11 will be focusing on WASH: Achieving Lasting Impact. This is a great topic especially as Rotary International places increasing emphasis on sustainability. Register TODAY by going to [World Water Summit 11](#).

## Impressive The Rotary Foundation Number

Over the last five Rotary Years, 2013-2014 to 2017-2018, The Rotary Foundation has invested \$97.2 million in 1,343 Global Grants towards water, sanitation and hygiene projects. This is an impressive commitment to one of Rotary's areas of focus.

## *The President's Corner*



Our President David is not in town for around three weeks. Consequently and regretfully we will not have his wise words until his return late November. Our best wishes for a good time in Great Britain and a safe return to Jerusalem.



## *International Toast*    **Rotary Club of San Juan, Puerto Rico**

During the coming calendar week, November 19 to 25 John F. Kennedy was assassinated and Anwar Sadat addressed the Knesset, besides other events:



- On November 19, 1493 Christopher Columbus discovers Puerto Rico, on his 2nd voyage
- On November 20, 1977 Egyptian President Anwar Sadat becomes the 1<sup>st</sup> Arab leader to address Israeli Knesset. He had arrived in Israel the day before
- On November 21, 1806 Decree of Berlin: Emperor Napoleon I bans all trade with Britain. Little did he know that more than 200 years later Britain is in turmoil again about trade with Europe due to Brexit
- On November 22, 1963 American President John F. Kennedy assassinated by Lee Harvey Oswald in Dallas, Texas
- On November 23, 1921 US President Warren G. Harding signs Willis Campell Act (anti-beer bill) forbidding doctors prescribing beer or liquor for medicinal purposes
- On November 24, 1936 German pacifist Carl von Ossietzky is awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for uncovering German re-armament violating the Versailles agreement

We are toasting this week the Rotary Club of San Juan, Puerto Rico o its discovery by Christopher Columbus. The RC of San Juan was founded in 1918, the oldest Rotary Club in Latin America. It has 133 plus members and is meeting Tuesdays for lunch.



Originally populated by the indigenous Taíno people, the island of Puerto Rico was claimed in 1493 by Christopher Columbus for Spain during his second voyage. Later it endured invasion attempts from the French, Dutch, and British. Four centuries of Spanish colonial government influenced the island's cultural landscapes with waves of African slaves, Canarian, and Andalusian settlers. In 1898, following the Spanish–American War, the United States acquired Puerto Rico under the terms of the Treaty of Paris. Puerto Ricans are by law citizens of the United States and may move freely between the island and the mainland. As it is not a state, Puerto Rico does not have a vote in the United States Congress, which governs the territory with full jurisdiction under the Puerto Rico Federal Relations Act of 1950.

Dieter Ziulkowski



*From our Archive* – until the return of our President the archives are closed



**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.**