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ROTARIAN BOB STUART, PHF, ל"ר A LIFE DEDICATED TO SERVICE ABOVE Self



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*"...a man's reach should
exceed his grasp - or what's a
heaven for?"*

- Robert Browning

Tribute to Bob Stuart ל"ר

By Don Shrensky

Bob Stuart and I were partners for 7 years as co-editors of the Bulletin. We both joined the Rotary in 1995; Bob a few months earlier than I did. Already starting in July 1995, Bob was the Bulletin editor, succeeding Alex Falcon. For 8 years, until July 2003, Bob was the editor or co-editor of the Bulletin. (Continued Page 4.)

Next Week's Program

6 August

[Mrs. Batsheva Mink](#), Curator, Jerusalem Botanical Garden, Topic: "The Jerusalem Botanical Garden: An island of green in town."



Lend a Hand

Report of Meeting #4, 23 July, 2003

President's Announcements:

Don remembered Rotarian Bob Stuart ל"ג. Those in attendance stood for a moment of silent reflection.

There will be a Club Business Meeting July 30th

Members were reminded not to forget to pay for lunch when then sign in.

WEEKLY RAFFLE

P/P Moshe Kelman returned to ran our raffle and raised a record for a Club meeting this Rotary Year. **We raised NIS 170.** Thanks to all who participated. Kol HaKavod!

VISITING ROTARIANS

Carnelius Hornig (Kitzingen/Bayern, Germany)
Itzik Bar Oz (Sharon, Herzeliya)

Guests:

Jackie Miller
Benedict Lindemann
Nadene Barish (Oregon)

Bon Voyage

P/P Richard and Maureen Fain, Bob and Hettie Engelsman and P/P Ruth Harris

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Arnold Prais led the toast to the Pinetown Rotary Club in District 9270 in South Africa. They meet Thursday at 12:30 PM. The Club had sent a letter of introduction to Rotarian Bernice Beare Rosenberg.

FOUNDATION GREETINGS

P/P Ruth Harris, President of the Club Foundation acknowledged

P/P Richard and Maureen Fain's Anniversary, and
The Birthdays of Bob Engelsman and Rose Kelman.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK

Fouad Khoury has served Rotary for over 45 years (center) with P/P Felix Jaffe and Marilyn Farber



INVOCATION

"The worst sin toward our fellow creatures is not to hate them, but to be indifferent to them: that's the essence of inhumanity."

-George Bernard Shaw

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LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

Introduction: Jean-Michel Rykner Introduced our guest Speaker Professor Gerald Steinberg on the topic: "The Anti-Israel Political Agenda of the NGO Community"

Gerald Steinberg is a Professor of Political Studies at Bar Ilan University, directs the Interdisciplinary Program on Conflict Management and Negotiation, and is a Senior Research Associate at the BESA Center for Strategic Studies. He is the editor of the new publication *The NGO Monitor*.

Highlights:

- The NGO community is very large and has lots of influence. NGOs like Oxfam, Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International focus on the humanitarian agenda. Their work in the framework of political activity.
- Following the end of the Cold War the focus on the human rights NGO Community has been on the Balkans, Africa and more importantly on the Middle East. Their agenda has not been subject to outside review and has become unbalanced and anti-Israel.
- The most striking example of this bias was demonstrated at the UN sponsored Anti-Racism Conference in Durban in 2001. Parallel to that meeting was a conference of human rights NGOs. The meeting was noted for its anti-Israel agenda.
- This anti-Israel bias is being picked up by the academic community, world media and international diplomatic officers. There is a need to restore the balance and objectivity.

Vote of Thanks was given by: P/P Don Edelstein

Remembering Bob Stuart

“Bob Stuart was one of the first members I met when joining Rotary at the end of 1995. I was seated at his table the first day and he made me feel very welcome. My husband Ilan remembered also that the home of Bob and Helene was the first Rotary home we were invited to as a new member. Bob Stuart was a special person about whom only good things can be said. I shall miss him very much.”

[P/P Sandi Darmon]

Remembering Bob Stuart, ל"ז (Continued)

“I am deeply saddened by the news of Bob's passing. We all knew that he had not been well of late and he was not his old self at the hand over dinner. Still it comes as a shock and I'm sorry not to have been with Helene, the family and members of the club at his funeral today. I have written to Helene but please include me in any condolences from the club.

“I believe that we will all remember Bob with great affection. It is not only for his magnum opus of years of the Bulletin but also for his good common sense on the board and his caustic sense of humour that I used to enjoy enormously. Bob had the respect of the club and was held in real high esteem as was demonstrated when he came out at the top of the poll at the last club election. I am particularly pleased that we made him a Paul Harris Fellow at the mid-year dinner and will always remember his delighted surprise. A modest man. A good man and will be remembered as such.

Yih'yeh zichro baruch.

I join you all in grieving.“

P/P David Seligman

Tribute to Bob Stuart ל"ז– By Don Shrensky (Continued from Page 1)

In July 1996 Bob asked me to be his co-editor, but I can say that throughout the years, Bob was always the senior partner, doing most of the work.

Over the last several years Bob has also been a member of the Board of Directors of the Club and our President-elect for 2004/05. Bob did not speak often, but when he did, his opinion was always respected and often followed. In recognition of his contribution to the Club over the years, we awarded him the Paul Harris Fellow last year.

Simcha (our not-so-silent co-editor) pointed out the following phrase from the Grace after Meals: *אלוקים ואדם בעיני ושכל טוב ונמצא חן* *May we find grace and common sense in the eyes of G-d and Man*; and this typified Bob - a man of grace and common sense.