



JERUSALEM ROTARY CLUB (District 2490)

We all Mourn the passing of Rotarian Bob Stuart, PHF, z"l- of BLESSED MEMORY. He was loved and respected by all.

Meeting No. 4 - 23 July, 2003

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Today's Program

"The Anti-Israel Political Agenda of the NGO Community."

Professor Gerald M. Steinberg, Director, Program on Conflict Management and National Political Studies, Bar Ilan University

14:30: Club Board Meeting

Upcoming Programs

30 July:

Business Meeting

6 August

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

13 August TBA

20 August TBA

7 September Social Evening at Ra'anana Club



Lend a Hand

Remembering P/P Ernst Siedner. Reflections of P/P Werner Loyal.
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Report of Meeting #3, 16 July, 2003

President's Announcements:

1. The Rotary International Newsbasket (2 July) spells out the mission of the new RI President Jonathan B. Majiyagbe. Rotarians will devote their professional and business skills to serve in their own communities and internationally through emphases on activities that help in alleviating poverty, addressing health concerns, and promoting literacy and education.
2. The Ra'anana Rotary Club is inviting Rotarians in our District to a social evening Sunday September 7, 2003 at 20:30 at the ALGRO Hall #2 Klosner Street in Ra'anana. The Program will include the speaker General (reserve) Ami Eylon, the former Chief of the Navy and former head of Shabach. Cost 25 NIS RSVP by fax (09) 746-0003 or email tockera@013.net.il.
3. From October 20-November 20 two Italian Rotary Clubs, Salo and Desenzano, lead by Rtn Alessandro Gaoso, will be bringing blind sailors to Israel. Perhaps they will visit our Club to share their experience.
4. There will be a Club Board Meeting immediately following the club meeting July 23rd. The Club meeting on July 30 will be a business meeting.
5. Our Club received greetings from the Pinetown Rotary Club (South Africa) congratulating Bernice Beare Rosenberg on joining our club.
6. *Bon Voyage* to Fred Cats and Bob Englesman.

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Georges Baum lead the toast for the Marseilles St Michel Club (District 1760) on the occasion of the National Day in France (July 14). The club was established in 1973, has 53 members, meets on Monday at 12:30 at Hotel Mercure.

VISITING ROTARIANS

Malynn Sight Overland Park, Kansas

GUEST

Ian Pear, Jerusalem

FOUNDATION GREETINGS

Ruth Harris gave Birthday greetings to Yossi Eisenberg and Alex Zvielli. She reminded Club members to remember our Foundation on special occasions.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK

Rotarians Yossi Eisenberg (left) and P/P Richard Fain chatting at the sumptuous buffet table at the "Y".



INVOCATION

In the absence of Moshe Ivry, Alex Zvielli gave the *Passuk*, "Behold the People will arise like a lion cub and raise itself like a lion." (Bamidbar 23:24).

WEEKLY RAFFLE

In the absence of Moshe Kelman, Arnold Praise ran our raffle We raised a handsome sum of **NIS 165**. Thanks to all who participated.

[Note: Funds raised in the Weekly Raffle go toward honoring Club Members with Paul Harris Fellowships. The money goes to The Rotary Foundation supporting Humanitarian Programs around the world.]

REPORT OF MEETING #3 ...CONTINUED

Club Speakers: Marilyn Farber and Mark Zober

“Around the World with Rotary: An Inspiring Journey”

Marilyn and Mark shared the experiences of their most recent trip that included presentations at two District Conferences in Florida (D6890 and D6950) on the topic of Peace Building; make ups in California (2) , Fiji (1), New Zealand (3) and Australia (4) and their participation at the Rotary International Convention in Brisbane. They praised the hospitable and friendly Rotarians wherever they went.

Club Member Profile: Bernice Beare Rosenberg

[We hope to feature a weekly Club Member Profile and are leading off with one of our newest members: Bernice Beare Rosenberg.]

Bernice was born in London England and raised in a religious Zionist conscious household. She was active in religious youth Zionist clubs.

Her first visit to Israel was in 1952 where she visited her in-laws who where leaders and supporters of the Weitzman Institute. She made aliyah in September 1968 to Jerusalem.

“I loved Israel from the day I arrived, and I have loved it ever since – warts and all.”

Her late husband Aaron Beare was an active Rotarian in Durban, South Africa, and a multiple Paul Harris Fellow (Sapphire). He held an honorary doctorate from Hebrew University.

As part of Aaron’s Legacy, he made Bernice executive trustee of the Aaron Beare Foundation. The foundation has funded projects in Israel in education, social welfare and medicine.

Bernice remarried the late Rabbi Yaacov Gedaliah Rosenberg, Vice Chancellor of Jewish Theological Seminary in New York. After their marriage they moved to Jerusalem.

Bernice has two children and five grandchildren. Her son Jonathan lives in Yorkshire, England and her daughter Charlotte is living in Jerusalem.

Bernice asked that fellow Rotarian be patient with her memory of names. “ Please forgive me if I forget a name. It hurts me even more then it hurts you.”

We all welcome you to the Club and wish you years of pleasant fellowship and service.

A WORD FROM OUR WEB MASTER – Mark Zober

We are seeking information on our Community and International Service Projects over the past 10 years to add to the web site. Please send Mark the information you have. Do make a point to visit and let others know about our web site.

IN MEMORY TO P/P ERNST SIEDNER

[Written by P/P Werner Loyal, PHF, July 21, 2003]

P/P Ernest Siedner, who passed away on July 6th, served as President of our Club from 1964 to 1965 and was the founder and long-time Hon. Treasurer of our Rotary Foundation. Thanks to him and to P/P Mordechai Maron, the Foundation enjoyed the co-operation, both functionally and financially, of the Jerusalem Municipality. Mayor Teddy Kollek was Honorary President of the Foundation for many years.

The purpose of the Foundation as envisioned by Ernest Siedner is:

"To offer aid to needy Jerusalem students to support their continuous education. In the execution of this aim, the Foundation will operate without any differentiation as to religion, race, nationality or sex."

The following is an excerpt from our Club bulletin of January 5, 1983:

"While continuing the allocation of one-time scholarships to one pupil of each of the 60 high schools in Jerusalem (each scholarship amounting in 1983 to IS 1,600) the Foundation chose in addition, from among last year's scholarship recipients, 34 deserving youngsters resolved to continue their education, for ongoing assistance during their last year in high school. These were awarded IS1,200 each.

As in previous years, the Foundation will again make a grant towards the Summer Camp of the Jerusalem International YMCA, this year in the amount of IS7,500..... The Foundation is looking forward to even more encouraging and constructive support of the youth of our city, in keeping with Rotary's "Avenue of Service to Youth"..... The Board will also call for the co-operation of members of the Club to act as counsellors for youngsters eligible for extended support and encouragement."

Ernest Siedner also edited our Bulletin for some time and it will be interesting and amusing for our members to see one of his bulletins from the 1970's with lots of illustrations and cartoons. A sample bulletin from 1971 will be attached to our next bulletin in Ernest Siedner's memory.



Ernest H. Siedner