



## JERUSALEM ROTARY CLUB (District 2490)

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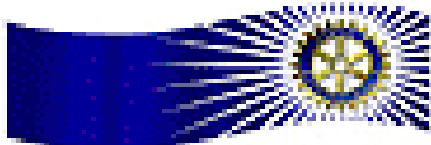
#### OUR PROGRAM TODAY

Visit to the Italian Synagogue and  
Museum,  
Hillel Street- 11 AM

#### UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**April 20**—David Kroyanker, Architect. Topic  
“The Challenge of Historic Architectural  
Preservation in Jerusalem”

**April 27** - NO MEETING (Passover Break)



CELEBRATE  
ROTARY



#### Rotary 4-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

#### SEEKING GUEST SPEAKERS

Suggestions Welcome for Upcoming Programs  
Contact Club Programme Chairman Art  
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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **TREASURE SALE**

Date moved up to Wednesday June 8th. Ruth said she is "back in the saddle" until Toby returns. She asked one and all to lend a hand by donating and getting donations for the Sale. "We have financial commitments and need a very successful event to meet our obligations," she said.

### **MAY 13 CONVENTION**

Friday May 13th our District will hold a "Mini-Convention" in Herzliya to vote of resolution and hold elections. The May 20-22 Convention Cruise will serve as social/fellowship event.

### **ITALIAN SYNAGOGUE**

On April 13 we shall visit the Italian Synagogue and Museum on Hillel St. We plan to meet at the courtyard in front of the building at 11 AM.

### **RI PRESIDENT VISIT**

Many Club members traveled to Tel Aviv to enjoy a reception with RI President Glenn S. Estess, Sr. You can view pictures from the event on our club website.

### **MOSHE RAZ AWARDED**

P/P Moshe Raz, truly a remarkable athlete, came in second in his age group (72+) at the Jerusalem Half Marathon March 31.

### **GOOD AND WELFARE**

P/P Amram Miller underwent surgery last week. We wish him a speedy recovery. We are encouraged to call.

## **FOUNDATION GREETINGS**

P/P Don Edelstein presented our Rotary Foundation greetings on the occasion of the birth of his third granddaughter Aya who was born to Kobi and Irit Edelstein. Don's other two granddaughters are Maya and Zahava, born to Joey and Ophira Edelstein.

We all celebrated the occasion with wine donated by Don.

## **INVOCATION**

Helene Stuart presented the invocation from John Locke (1632-1704)

Here's what John Locke, an English philosopher in the 17th century had to say:

*"New opinions are always suspect, and usually opposed without any other reason but because they are not always common."*

## **INTERNATIONAL TOAST**

P/P Georges Baum asked Club members to lift their glasses, many today filled with wine, to the Rotary Club of Breda (District 1610) in honor of the Queen's Birthday on April 30th. [Note: The date is chosen because of the birthday of Queen Juliana (1909) and the accession of Queen Beatrix (1980). Queen Beatrix decided to keep the holiday on April 30, as the weather on her own birthday, January 31, tends to prohibit the traditional outdoor festivities.]

The Breda Club was chartered in 1975, has 45 members and meets on Mondays at 18:00 at the Paradise Restaurant.

## **WEEKLY RAFFLE**

Rtn. Aviva Lee once again conducted a very successful raffle raising 290 NIS thanks to the generosity of our Club members.

We are reminded to please bring raffle prizes to continue to assure the success of this wonderful fundraiser for the Rotary Foundation.

## WEEK 37 APRIL 6, 2005 PROGRAM

**GUEST SPEAKER: COMMANDER GERHARD LINTNER, DEPUTY AND NAVAL ATTACHE AT THE GERMAN EMBASSY IN TEL AVIV**

Commander Lintner was born in Munich and after high school graduation joined the German Navy in 1975. After officers training, which included a masters degree in economics at the University of Hamburg, he served on several postings on board ships at sea, including commanding officer of fast patrol and missile boats. Later he served at international postings for NATO and peace keeping assignments in Bosnia with IFOR. He has been posted in Tel Aviv since June 2001. He will leave his job and retire this summer.

The Commander spoke about his observations of Israel over the past 4 years. He started by describing the typical Israeli driver as aggressive— using their car as a weapon. He has not heard the use of the horn so often before.

He went on to talk about the unique form of democracy in Israel, a country that is in a constant struggle against terrorism. This is the only country where females are conscripted into the armed forces. There is no clear separation of church and state here. Israeli minorities often feel they are second class citizens. He also noted that Israel's defense and economy is very closely linked to the USA while the country's culture is European in nature.

The vote of thanks was give by P/P Werner Loyal

## CLUB SUPPORT FOR TSUNAMI RELIEF

Our Club members were exceptionally generous in time of need—donating \$2,700 USD for Tsunami Relief in Tamilnadu, India. The original request made by Past District Governor Rekha Shetty of District 3230 in Chennai was for the repair of fishing boats that were destroyed in the tsunami, on December 26, 2004. However, the Government of India stepped in to pay for the repair of these boats. PDG Rekha suggested an alternative relief project that our Club Board discussed and unanimously approved.

From Rekha:

*“[Many] school children have lost their bicycles because of the Tsunami and are not in a position to walk 6 [to]8 kms each way to attend school. So our Rotary Club has started project called **“Rotary Education On Wheels”** to supply bicycles to poor deserving school children whose bicycles have been swept away by Tsunami. These children [need] 60 [to] 70 bicycles with your donation of US\$ 2700 [we can] distribute [them] to Tsunami hit poor school children....*

*“We will have the cycles bought with above money [and] painted “Donated by Jerusalem Rotary Club of Israel” [We will] send you photographs of distribution to school children. We will*



## THE POSITIVE SIDE OF LIFE:

Living on Earth is expensive...but it does include a free trip around the sun every year.

How long a minute is depends on what side of the bathroom door you're on.

Birthdays are good for you; the more you have, the longer you live.

Happiness comes through doors you didn't even know you left open.

Ever notice that the people who are late are often much jollier than the people who have to wait for them?

Most of us go to our grave with our music still inside of us.

If Wal-Mart is lowering prices every day, how come nothing is free yet?

You may be only one person in the world, but you may also be the world to one person.

## ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY—APRIL 13th

1598 King Henry IV of France signed the Edict of Nantes, granting rights to the Protestant Huguenots.

1742 George Frideric Handel's "Messiah" was first performed publicly, in Dublin, Ireland.

1906 Samuel Beckett, Irish-born author, Nobel Prize winner, critical and playwright born.

1870 The Metropolitan Museum of Art was founded in New York City.

1964 Sidney Poitier became the first black performer in a leading role to win an Academy Award, for "Lilies of the Field."

1986 Pope John Paul II visited a Rome synagogue in the first recorded papal visit of its kind.

1990 The Soviet Union accepted responsibility for the World War II murders of thousands of imprisoned Polish officers in the Katyn Forest, a massacre the Soviets had previously blamed on the Nazis.

1997 Tiger Woods, 21, became the youngest person to win the Masters Tournament and the first person of African heritage to claim a major golf title.

1999 Jack Kervorkian was sentenced in Pontiac, Mich., to 10 to 25 years in prison for the second-degree murder of a man whose assisted suicide in 1998 was videotaped and shown on "60 Minutes."

2002 Venezuela's interim president, Pedro Carmona, resigned a day after taking office in the face of protests by thousands of supporters of the ousted president, Hugo Chavez.