

JERUSALEM ROTARY CLUB (District 2490)

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OUR PROGRAM TODAY

SPEAKER: President Rafi Aldor

Rotary International - CURRENT ISSUES

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

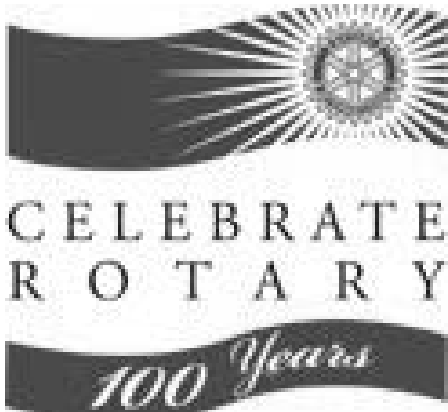
**November 24 Ambassador Robert Pelletreau, Co-Director,
Search for Common Ground.**

Topic: "Yesterday, today and tomorrow: Still searching."

**December 1 "My Job" by New Club Member Yaron Amitay and
campaign speech by P/P Abraham Amitay of the Tel Aviv Club,
who is running for District Governor 2006/7.**

**December 8 – Business Meeting and Candidate for District
Governor P/P Ran Lin of the Hod Hacarmel Club**

**December 15 Guest Speaker from the Jerusalem Post - Avi
Golan.**



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 Braunstein with
your ideas for upcoming guest speakers at
artb@netmedia.net.il (052) 383-0804 or (02) 532-7039

You cannot do a kindness too soon, for you never know how soon it will be too late.
-Ralph Waldo Emerson {1803-1882 American Poet & Essayist}

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting Presided over by P/ Rafi Aldor

VISITING ROTARIANS

OLIVE DAYS AT MAGAR

Magar Rotary Club is hosting its annual Olive and Folklore Festival on three Saturdays: November 6th, 13th and 20th. Contact Person: President Asan Roshrosh (052) 285-1903.:

- YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS

Our Club will be monitoring this Junior Achievement program in East and West Jerusalem that is sponsored by Matching Grant supported by two clubs in Los Angeles area and the Rotary Foundation. At this time there are two clubs from East Jerusalem and three from the West side participating in this exciting project.

FIRESIDE EVENINGS:

- We are beginning our Fireside Program and are seeking hosts and attendees. Contact P/P Ruth Harris while Sandi and P/E Kern Wisman are way.

WEEKLY RAFFLE

- : Aviva Lee conducted another successful Raffle raising 200 NIS for the Rotary Foundation. All monies raised go the Rotary International Foundation to honor local Paul Harris Fellows.

IMPORTANT NOTE ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO BRING RAFFLE PRIZES. SEE AVIVA FOR DETAILS.

FOUNDATION GREETINGS

P/P Don Edelstein wished **Happy Birthday to P/P Sandi Darmon on the occasion of her birthday November 11th.**

Please consider making contributions to our Club Rotary Foundation in recognition of special events in the life of your family. The money is used to provide scholarships to worthy high school students in Jerusalem.

INVOCATION

P/P Ruth Harris presented:

TIME IS LIFE

Rabbi Louis Finkelstein (1895-1991) was an educator, a Talmud scholar, an expert in Jewish law, and Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Once, in a commencement address at the JTS he spoke about Time, and said that the proverb, Time is money, is false and pernicious in its implications.

In Rabbi Finkelstein's view, this false statement leads to serious error. Time and money are alike only for those people who do not know what to do with their money, and for other unfortunate people who do not know what to do with their time.

In all other circumstances, said Finkelstein, time is infinitely more precious than money, and there is nothing common between them.

Unlike money, you cannot accumulate time, you cannot regain time lost, you cannot borrow time, and you can never tell how much time you have left in the Bank of Life. Let us remember. Time is not money.

Time is life.

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

PDG Irene Lewitt asked the Club to raise a toast to the Rotary Club of Pakuranga (District 9940, Auckland, New Zealand) in honor of its distinguished member and PDG William B. (Bill) Boyd who is the selected nominee of Rotary International to become the RI President in 2006-07.

WEEK # 17- November 3, 2004

ROTARY MOMENT

The goals of rotary can be summarized in to words – SERVICE and FELLOWSHIP.

P/P Moshe Kelman spoke to the Club about the meaning of Rotary Fellowship. He placed important emphasis for each of us to take the opportunity to get to know all our fellow members during our weekly meetings. This means making the effort to sit with Rotarians you might not know very well at lunch to get better acquainted.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FELLOWSHIP

Most Rotarians are successful professional and business executives because they hear opportunities knock and take advantage of them. Once a week the opportunity for Rotary fellowship occurs at each Club meeting, but not all members hear it knocking.

The weekly Club meeting is a special privilege of Rotary membership. It provides the occasion to visit with fellow members, to meet visitors you have not known before, and to share your personal friendship with other members.

Rotary Clubs, which have a reputation of being “friendly Clubs” usually, follow a few simple steps: First, members are encouraged to sit in a different seat or at a different table each week. Second, Rotarians are urged to sit with a member they may not know as well as their long- time personal friends. Third, members invite new members or visitors to join their table just by saying: "Come join us, we have an empty chair at this table."

Fourth, members share the conversation around the table rather than merely eating in silence or talking privately to the person next to them. Fifth, Rotarians make a special point of trying to get acquainted with all members of the Club by seeking out those they may not know.

When Rotarians follow these five easy steps, an entirely new opportunity for fellowship knocks each week. Soon Rotarians realize that warm and personal friendship is the cornerstone of every great Rotary Club.

GUEST SPEAKER – Dr. YOSEF GOELL – “The U.S. Presidential Election”

P/P Moshe Raz introduced our distinguished guest speaker who is one of the best known journalists with the Jerusalem Post specializing in economics, political, government affairs. Yosef was born in New York City and made aliyah in 1948. He has a Ph.D. from Columbia University in political science.

He talk was not timely as the U.S. Presidential elections were held on November 2nd with the reelection of President George W. Bush. He mentioned that up to the present Israel was much more politically energized then the U.S. where was significant political apathy. However this year the U.S. saw a passionate electorate voting in overwhelming numbers in the States. The heat and emotion was unprecedented. The other similarity is that Israeli politics is also beginning to be influenced by big money donors and the need to have personal wealth to run for office.

HUMOUR CORNER

UNANSWERED - OR IS IT UNANSWERABLE - QUESTIONS

Does a clean house indicate that there is a broken computer in it?

Is there ever a day when mattresses are NOT on sale?

Why do people constantly return to the refrigerator with the hopes that something new to eat will have materialized?

On electric toasters, why do they engrave the message 'one slice'? How many pieces of bread do they think people are really gonna try to stuff in that slot?

Why do people keep running over a string a dozen times with their vacuum cleaner, then reach down, pick it up, examine it, then put it down to give their vacuum one more chance?

Why is it that no plastic garbage bag will open from the end you first try?

How do those dead bugs get into closed light fixtures?

Why do we wash BATH towels? Aren't we clean when we use them? If not, then what was the purpose of the bath?

Considering all the lint you get in your dryer, if you kept drying your clothes, would they eventually just disappear?

When we are in the supermarket and someone rams our ankle with a shopping cart then apologizes for doing so, why do we say, 'Its all right'? It isn't all right, so why don't we say, 'That hurt, you stupid idiot'?

Why is it that when you're walking up the stairs and you get to the top you always think there's still one more step?

Why is it that whenever you attempt to catch something that's falling off the table, you always manage to knock something else over?

Is it true that the only difference between a yard sale and a trash pickup is how close to the road the stuff is placed?

In winter, why do we try to keep the house as warm as it was in summer when we complained about the heat?

Why do women always ask questions that have no right answers?

Why do old men wear their pants higher than younger men?

Why is it that inside every older person is a younger person wondering what the heck happened?

If diamonds are a girl's best friend and a dog is man's best friend, who really is the dumber sex?

Why are the needy only thought of during the holidays? Aren't they just as needy throughout the rest of the year?

Why is it that men can react to broken bones as 'just a sprain' and deep wounds as 'just a scratch', but when they get the sniffles they are deathly ill 'with the flu' and have to be bedridden for weeks?

How come we never hear any father-in-law jokes?

Why do men forget everything and women remember everything?

Do Chinese people get hungry an hour after they eat American food?

Shouldn't all married men forget their mistakes? After all, there's no sense in two people remembering the same things, right?