



JERUSALEM ROTARY CLUB (District 2490)

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TODAY'S PROGRAM: Avner Fuks, Candidate for District Governor

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

26 November - Marilyn Farber and Mark Zober, Rotarians, "Empowerment of Women in India: A Personal Perspective."

3 December - Greer Fay Cashman, Journalist and Columnist at the Jerusalem Post: "So long as you spell my name right."

10 December - "The Most Fun Place", speaker S. D.

17 December - Annual Cake and Treasures Sale Bazar at the YMCA. (8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

24 December - Visit, lunch and lecture at the Foreign Ministry

31 of December - Jan Willem van der Hoeven, Director International Christian Zionist Center: "The crucial importance of the Temple Mount as seen by the prophets of Israel"



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CALL FOR SPEAKERS AND PROGRAMS

Program Chair, Jean-Michel Rykner is asking all Rotarians to suggest speakers for our weekly programs. Please contact him at e-mail: JMR@workmail.com

Report of Meeting # 19 12 November 2003: Special Joint Centennial Bell Meeting

Presiding Don Shrensky and Yehezkel Wellman -

The format was that of a regular meeting but the “ordinariness” ended there. It was a special event with honored guests: DG Irene Lewitt – the first women DG for our District; PDG Supreme Court Justice Salim Joubran; and His Honor, the Mayor of Jerusalem Uri Lupolianski. We learned about the history of our two Rotary Clubs in Jerusalem. All program participants were Past Presidents of our Clubs. Lastly, the central theme of the evening was the ringing of the RI Centennial Bell.

Don explained that there are five RI Centennial Bells traveling throughout the world at the present time. One Bell is being sent to each of the first 100 Chartered Clubs, and four other Bells are going to four regions. We have one of these Bells here tonight. The Centennial Bells represent Rotary’s internationality. All of the Bells will end up in Chicago where they will rung at the RI Convention on June 19, 2005.

Our Club – the Jerusalem Rotary Club – was the first club to be chartered in Israel in March 1929. We are sharing the honor with our sister club Jerusalem West – our second club in the eternal capital of Israel. Don expressed his happiness with the overwhelming response of many clubs throughout the country who joined us on this auspicious occasion.

Special thanks went to evening organizers, Rtns. P/P Sandi Darmon and Kern Wisman.

INTERNATIONAL TOASTS

Two toasts were raised: (1) to the First Rotary Club #1 in Chicago that meets on Tuesdays at 12:15 PM at the Chicago Athletic Club, and (2) to the RC of Pohnpei (Federated States of Micronesia) that is also ringing a Centennial Bell along with us on November 12th.

THE ROTARY MOMENT

P/P Moshe Raz provided an insightful history of our Rotary Club in Jerusalem.

SAVE THE DATE

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 17

Our Club Annual Cake and Treasures Sale...Support our Scholarship Fund and other projects.

President Don Shrensky Rings the Centennial Bell commencing a Special Evening at the Dan Panorama Hotel.



INVOCATION

P/P Amram Miller gave the *Passuk*: “As a mother comforts her son, so you found comfort in Jerusalem. You shall see and your heart will rejoice. Your limbs shall flourish like grass.” (Issiah 66: 13-14)

GREETINGS BY MAYOR URI LUPOLIANSKI

Past President Avraham Cohen Introduced the Mayor.

Greetings of the Mayor of Jerusalem, the Hon. Uri Lupolianski to Jerusalem Rotary Club,
November 12,2003

“District Governor of Rotary for the State of Israel, Ms. Irene Lewitt, President of Jerusalem Rotary Club, Mr. Don Shrensky, Head of the Rotary Club of West Jerusalem, Mr. Yehezkel Wellman, Members of the Rotary Club, my friend the Guest of Honor, Supreme Court Judge Salim Joubran, and Distinguished Guests:

“In the name of Jerusalem, the eternal city, and on behalf of its residents, please allow me to congratulate Rotary International on the 100th anniversary of its founding. My congratulations are also due to the members of the two Jerusalem Rotary Clubs and to Rotary Israel, and I would like you to convey my greetings to the members of Rotary throughout the world. Your celebration is our celebration. The joyful sound of your bell will resonate in our hearts.

“In March 1929, 25 years after the late Paul Harris founded Rotary International in Chicago, the first branch in this country was established, here in our city of Jerusalem But the first founders met a problem. According to the tradition of Rotary, another recognized club must recommend the founding of a new club.

“The club, which had this task, was the Rotary Club of Cairo, capital of Egypt. They recognized the 23 founding members of the Jerusalem branch, and since then membership has grown to thousands.

“The friendship that was established by Rotary between Jerusalem and Cairo, between Jews and Arabs, has continued to this day. This is of great value. If only we could establish such peaceful relations in all aspects of our lives.

“Dear leaders and members of Rotary, as someone who has been involved for decades with the life of our society and community and with providing aid to those who need it, I am delighted to witness your public activities in all parts of the world, and especially in this city. Jerusalem thanks Rotary for the wonderful assistance which you have granted to organizations and institutes in Jerusalem, on occasion without anyone knowing...

“Thank you, my friends, for inviting me. Thank you for a hundred years of activity. We will always remember the words of Woodrow Wilson, 28th President of the United States and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, who said that friendship is the only cement that will always bind the world.”



CENTENNIAL EVENING IN PICTURES

Top: Bells are important symbols in Rotary (Left: RC Jerusalem West and Right RC Jerusalem Bells. Bottom Left: Judge Salim Joubran, President Yehezkel Wellman, and DG Irene Lewitt; Bottom Right: Mayor Lupolianski

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