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OUR PROGRAM TODAY

**Galia Kahane-Fridman, Jerusalem Regional
Coordinator, Young Entrepreneurs Israel.**

Topic: "How to train Israel's high school students in
entrepreneurship"

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

November 10 - Yosef Goell, Journalist.
Topic : The US elections – Lessons for Israel.

SPECIAL OUTING -

**November 17 – visit to the Hebrew University
Geology Gallery (Givat Ram) Bus will leave
YMCA at 11 am (additional cost) Lunch (50
NIS) at Beit Belgia**



SEEKING GUEST SPEAKERS

Suggestions Welcome for Upcoming Programs
Contact Club Programme Chairman Art Braunstein with
your ideas for upcoming guest speakers at
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Help Wanted

Our Club Bulletin Editor, Mark Zober, is
recruiting a team to assist with content
and layout. Let him know you will lend a
hand (see contact information above.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting Presided over by P/ Rafi Aldor

Visiting Rotarians-

Robert Lenfers (Germany)
Josef Horning (Germany)
Geert Cohen Stuart (France)
George Loewenstein (USA)

Yitzhak Rabin Memorial: Rafi opened the meeting solemn words reminding us that Thursday October 28th marks the 9th anniversary of the assassination of Prime Minister Rabin.

Club Meetings:

Today: Club Foundation meeting
November 3: Club Board meeting
(both immediately following our regular Club meetings.)

District Workshop - We are all encouraged to consider attending our District Workshop Friday November 12th from 9 AM – 2 PM at Mikveh Israel. Topics will include International and Community Service, the Rotary Foundation and the June 2005 RI Convention in Chicago. Cost 50 NIS.

- **Fireside Evenings** :P/P Sandi Darmon announced that we are beginning our Fireside Program and is seeking hosts and attendees. Contact P/P Ruth Harris while Sandi and P/E Kern Wisman are way.
- **Raffle**: Aviva Lee conducted another very successful Raffle raising 245 NIS for the Rotary Foundation. All monies raised go the Rotary International Foundation to honor local Paul Harris Fellows.

FOUNDATION GREETINGS

Bob Engelsman announced our weekly Foundation Greetings. Remember our Club Foundation during special occasions.

This week we are celebrating two birthdays:

Yedida Khayat (October 27)

Tamar Ungar (October 31)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

INVOCATION

Marilyn Farber offered the weekly invocation from the weekly Torah portion – *VEIRA*. Focusing on the act of giving.

Practically speaking how does one become a “giver?” The answer is simple – start giving. Some people say, “I can only give to someone I love.” This is incorrect. The Hebrew word for “give” *hav*, is the same root as *ahava*, that means “love.” Giving is that LEADS to love. When I give, I invest a part of myself, making you more precious to me. This is why parents love their children most of all; it is their greatest investment.

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

P/P Felix Jaffe asked club members to raise our glasses to toast the Rotary Club of Luanda – the only Rotary club in Angola (District 9350) in honor its National day on November 11th. The Rotary Club of Luanda received its charter in 1965, has 32 members, and meets on Tuesdays at the Hotel Topice at 7:30 PM.

WEEK # 15- October 27, 2004

P/P Ambassador Benad Avital treated all of us to his unique insights from his experience as a General Consul in Marseilles and Monaco from '79-'82. Benad shared his perception of the French culture and its people. We were not surprised to hear that food and drink are enjoyed and discussed to the point of passion. We also learned about the central importance of family and friends and the otherwise rather aloof behavior that is projected to others. Benad also told a number of stories that highlighted the wonderful deeds of "Righteous Gentiles" in the region during WWII that saved the lives of many Jews.

ROTARY MOMENT

PolioPlus: The Critical Challenge Ahead

In 1985, Rotary launched the PolioPlus program to protect children worldwide from the cruel and fatal consequences of polio. In 1988, the World Health Assembly challenged the world to eradicate polio. Since that time, Rotary's efforts and those of partner agencies, including the World Health Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and governments around the world, have achieved a 99 percent reduction in the number of polio cases worldwide. Rotarians stand at the brink of a great victory and look forward to celebrating the global eradication of polio in 2005, the organization's centennial year.

Last Thursday, October 28th, the International Herald Tribune provided an informative update on the challenges ahead:

The virus is again ravaging parts of Africa, propelled by the weakness of overall health services in the region and the brief suspension of immunization activities in some parts of northern Nigeria. And despite generous investment from the global community, the polio eradication initiative faces a critical funding shortfall of \$200 million for the year ahead, \$35 million of which is needed urgently to support an adequate immunization response today. Unless we act now, we could still see this unique opportunity slip away.

The threat of a widespread epidemic in Africa is being met with the continent's largest ever unified health drive - a massive series of immunization campaigns across 23 countries to protect 80 million children. Millions of vaccinators and Rotary volunteers disperse with coolers filled with polio vaccine, traveling on foot or on horseback, by motorcycle, boat or helicopter to reach and immunize every child.

The first of these campaigns began on Oct. 8. The next is scheduled to start on Nov. 18, followed by another round in the spring.

If these campaigns have to be curtailed for lack of funds, we risk diminishing the health security of every child on earth. Conversely, supporting these campaigns is an investment in our collective future.

The world has walked a long way toward polio eradication in the footsteps of Salk, Sabin and their fellow polio warriors. Only six countries have not yet stopped the virus: Nigeria, India, Pakistan, Niger, Afghanistan and Egypt. Around the world, five million children are walking who would otherwise have been paralyzed. Polio eradication has become the benchmark for all future multilateral, public-private partnerships. It has engaged 20 million volunteers worldwide, immunized more than two billion children and mobilized more than \$3 billion, of which more than \$500 million comes from Rotary International. Rotary has made polio eradication its top philanthropic goal for almost two decades.

We are within sight of a milestone in human history. But these final steps are the toughest and require the greatest commitment - at the country level, to immunize the poorest and hardest to reach children, and from the global community, to fast-track funding to this initiative and safeguard the enormous investments that have been made over the past 15 years.

More is at stake than the end of a single disease. Success against polio would be a triumph of international cooperation, attesting to our ability to unite across borders and differences to conquer global afflictions. It could bring renewed faith and momentum to our struggle against other scourges, like malaria, measles and AIDS.

There could be no more fitting tribute to Salk, his colleagues and their diligent work to advance humanity.

(Source: "Global effort could banish polio forever" Julie Gerberding, Carol Bellamy, Glen Estess and David Heymann International Herald Tribune, Thursday October 28 2004)

HUMOR CORNER

Eleven Step Guide to Being Handy Around the House

1. If you can't find a screwdriver, use a knife. If you break off the tip, it's an improved screwdriver.
2. Try to work alone. An audience is rarely any help.
3. Despite what you may have been told by your mother, praying and cursing are both helpful in home repair ... but only if you are working alone.
4. Work in the kitchen whenever you can ... many fine tools are there, its warm and dry, and you are close to the refrigerator.
5. If it's electronic, get a new one ... or consult a twelve-year-old.
6. Stay simple minded: Get a new battery; replace the bulb or fuse; see if the tank is empty; try turning it to the "on" switch; or just paint over it.
7. Always take credit for miracles. If you dropped the alarm clock while taking it apart and it suddenly starts working, you have healed it.
8. Regardless of what people say, kicking, pounding, throwing, and sharing sometimes DOES help.
9. If something look level, it is level.
10. If at first you don't succeed, redefine success.
11. Above all, if what you've done is stupid, but it works, then it isn't stupid.

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BUMPER STICKERS

- Boldly going nowhere.
- How many roads must a man travel down before he admits he is lost?
- I'm an imbecile and I vote.
- Money Isn't Everything... But it sure keeps the kids in touch.
- WARNING! Driver only carries \$20.00 in ammunition.
- You're just jealous because the voices are talking to me, not you!
- Forget world peace. Visualize using your turn signal.
- Grow your own dope, plant a man.
- All men are animals, some just make better pets.
- WANTED: Meaningful overnight relationship.
- BEER: It's not just for breakfast anymore.
- I need someone really bad... are you really bad?
- Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder.
- All men are idiots... I married their King.
- The more you complain, the longer God makes you live.
- Out of my mind... back in five minutes.
- Where there's a will... I want to be in it.
- It's lonely at the top, but you eat better.

