



Weekly Bulletin of The Jerusalem Rotary Club

Club # 13459, District 2490

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⇒ Upcoming Events

22 August Election of
JRC Board 2019-2020.

29 August Meeting of
new Board at 6:30 pm

5 September Visit DG
Alon Bendet.



This Week's Program

Brig. General Elihu Ben-Onn

Former Program Director, The Israeli Connection

[HaKeshet HaYisraeli] Kol Yisrael Radio

"Connecting to the Israeli Diaspora"

Elihu Ben-Onn is a retired Israeli Brigadier General, former Israeli Police Spokesman and a senior National Radio Broadcaster on Kol Yisrael.



Elihu was born in Jerusalem and served in the IDF as an officer. During the Yom Kippur War, was a Tank Gunner in the Suez Canal region.

He has a degree from the Hebrew University in International Relations and History. He is also a graduate of the Israel Broadcasting Authority's school of Journalism.

Elihu has covered wars, elections and many facets of the Arab-Israeli conflict and Peace Process. He has served as the editor-in-chief of Kol Yisrael's Morning news magazine, Israel's highest rated radio news magazine. He also hosts call-in programs and talk shows.

In 1999, Elihu started a weekly international program called HaKeshet HaYisraeli ("The Israeli Connection" – every Wednesday, 9:00-11:00 pm), geared toward Israelis, Jews and Hebrew speakers abroad. The show has earned an honorable mention by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee(JDC) and won the B'nai B'rith World Centre Award for Journalism in 2006.

In 1997, Elihu Ben-Onn served as the spokesman of the Israel National Police, holding the rank of Brigadier General. From 1989 to 1991, he was the Spokesman for the Israeli Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure.

Since 1984, he also lectures in Jewish communities across the world about subjects related to his work as a journalist and his military background.

APPEAL For many years we have managed to produce the club Bulletin every week. It is a task that requires hours of work that depends on a regular flow of material.

Members are requested to send contributions to help the editor continue the long tradition of a weekly Bulletin.

The President's Corner



Having tired of the shenanigans of local politics I switched channels to enjoy the ongoing reality show of US politics. I happened to hit a break in programming. The screen went black, a scuba diver emerged from dark waters, a light flicked on and showed a group of boys huddling on a ledge, and the diver, in immaculate English tones, asked, "How many of you are there?" and a voice replied, "Thirteen." With typical British understatement came the response, "Brilliant!"

It was the start of a thank you from the Thai government to the many countries who had sent help to find and save the 12 soccer players and their coach who had got stuck in the flooded cave system in Chang Rai. The item ends showing the flags of all the nations who had contributed to the successful rescue and voice-over said, "We are all one world."

A wonderful sentiment but sadly hard reality tells us otherwise. From the horrific massacres in Rwanda and Srebernica that the late and lamented Kofi Anand who sadly died this week, said, that not enough had been done to stop those disasters, to the wretched Rohingya huddling in makeshift shelters in the monsoon in Bangladesh, the villagers fleeing the

volcano on Lombok island the people of Kerala who have suffered torrential rain and flooding that has destroyed their villages, one wonders what will be done to help. In this part of the world we look with concern at events in Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Yemen and Gaza and realise that all this is only part of the catalogue of misery.

"We are all one world?"

We are not governments who need to make the large scale interventions but as Rotarians we are obliged to do what we can. Polio Plus made governments sit up and take notice while the many projects worldwide alleviate problems on a more local scale. We dare not stand on the sidelines, flapping our hands and whining, "But what can we do?"

The lost boys in the cave hit our hearts. We could identify with them and their plight. Larger events that affect thousands or millions, are news items and the concern is in the head, an intellectual exercise. We need to be reminded that:

"We **ARE** all one world!!"

David Seligman
President 2018-2019

FOUNDATION NEWS

Sadly there are no birthdays or anniversaries to celebrate this week. But as summer comes to an end, refresh your spirits with a donation to the Foundation. HERE'S HOW:

Take your name and give the number equivalent to each letter.

(In traditional Jewish mysticism this is called *gematria*.)

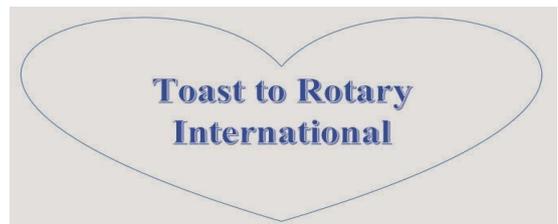
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Sub-Total					64	+	45	Sub-Total			
Grand Total							109				

On your next special occasion, NIS 109 would be a lovely sum to donate to the Foundation. And so personal!

International Toast

SOUTH HADLEY ROTARY CLUB

South Hadley, MA., USA



Fascinating events happened during the forthcoming calendar week August 20 to 26, some with real consequences to the human species.

- On August 20, 1951 at the 12th Venice Film Festival Akira Kurosawa won the Golden Lion for his movie 'Rashomon', a real great movie.
- On August 21, 1959 Hawaii became the 50th State of the USA
- On August 23, 1838 the 'Mount Holyoke Female Seminary' had its 1st graduating class, the seminary became Mount Holyoke College, one of the seven sisters (females only colleges) of which Wellesley College is probably the most famous.
- On August 24, 1991 Mikhail Gorbachev resigned as the head of the USSR Communist Party and consequently East and West had to be reorganized.

- On August 25, 1958 Momofuku Ando marketed the first package of pre-cooked instant noodles. Now the basic food of students worldwide, especially in the Far East.
- On August 26, 1545 Pope Paul III named his son (!) Pierluigi Farnese as the 'Duke of Parma' in Italy. Those days when Popes had children were certainly different from today!

Our weekly 'International Toast' is to the Holyoke Rotary Club, South Hadley, MA. Women graduating from a seminary, in 1838 marked a milestone in gender equality. It later became a college and my daughter is a Mount Holyoke graduate.

Rotary Jakarta Selatan, the recipient of last week's toast, have sent their thanks and Rotarian greetings to our club.

Dieter Ziulkowski

JERUSALEM ROTARY CLUB
BOARD ELECTIONS
2019-2020

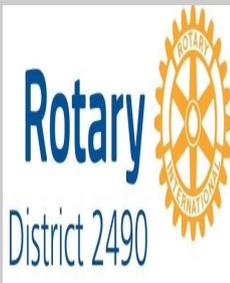
☆ We Need You to ☆
Vote! ☆

**LAST CHANCE
TO VOTE**

- Voting closes at 1:00 pm (13.00), Wednesday 22 August 2018
- All ballots to be handed to Robert Hammer.
- Results announced after the count at close of meeting.
- Meeting of new Board is on Wednesday evening, August 29th at 6:30 pm
- Agenda: Election of President 2019-2020

DISTRICT NEWS:

90th Anniversary



On the occasion of the 90th anniversary of Rotary Israel and the Jerusalem Rotary Club a Grand Gala will be celebrated on March 17 2019 at the Jerusalem Theatre.

The NIS180 ticket will cover a reception and a special concert of the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra.

All proceeds of the evening will go to the Polio Plus project of Rotary that aims to eliminate the scourge of polio worldwide. The orchestra will perform a full program that will include a surprise item.

All Rotarians and guests are invited to participate in this unique event.

JERUSALEM ROTARY CLUB:

Weekly Lunch Meetings are at the YMCA, 26 King David St, Jerusalem Wednesdays at 13:00. The last Wednesday of each month is a dinner meeting at 19:00.

Meetings are conducted in English.

Visiting Rotarians and other guests are welcome.

Luncheon/Dinner costs: NIS 75, students and lone soldiers: NIS 50, children under 18: NIS 30.



Kosher meals are available. To order, call or text Geert Cohen Stuart at 054-429-5680 by 11:30 A.M. For further enquiries

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