



**BULLETIN
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ROTARY
CLUB**

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Club #13459
District 2490



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Today's Program -

Visit of Rotary District Governor. The presence of the Board Members will be highly appreciated. We will meet and greet District Governor Matty Harel, District Secretary Yona Mazur and their wives' Afterwards, they will join us for dinner, at which the District Governor will speak.

Foundation Greetings:

Once again we have no club members birthdays or anniversaries to celebrate this week. However we do have the pleasure of the District Governor's presence with us today - a perfect opportunity to DONATE TO THE FOUNDATION in his honor!!

Foundation Thoughts of the Week:

Winston Churchill expressed this thought: "However tempting it might be to some when much trouble lies ahead to step aside adroitly and put someone else up to take the blows, I do not intend to take that cowardly course, but on the contrary, to stand to my post and persevere in accordance with my duty as I see it."

Upcoming Events

4 December 2019
Sharon Ehrnwald and
Tova Pincas

"But For the Grace of God
– serving people with
intellectual and
developmental
disabilities"



The President's Corner

Next Wednesday, 4 December, being the first Wednesday of the month, we will have a club board meeting.

The first item on the agenda, will be a brief ceremony at the YMCA's bilingual Gan Shalom, where we will affix a plaque acknowledging the Jerusalem Rotary Club's recent gift of library book shelves in the play space for children and parents.

All members and guests are welcome to attend.

Robert Hammer



International Toast – Rotary Club of Stockholm Strand

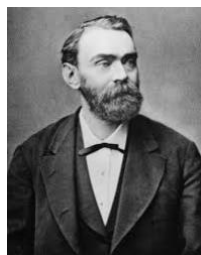
Three historical events that happened on the day of our Rotary meeting on 27 November:

1868 Battle at Washita River, Oklahoma. General George A. Custer attacks group of Native American Indians, their chief Black Kettle dies in the attack. They were the most isolated band of a major winter encampment along the river of numerous Native American tribal bands, totaling thousands of people. Custer's forces attacked their village because scouts had followed the trail of a party that had raided white settlers and passed through it. Black Kettle and his people had been at peace and were seeking peace. Custer's soldiers killed women and children in addition to warriors, although they also took many captive to serve as hostages and human shields. The number of Cheyenne killed in the attack has been disputed since the first reports.

1895 On 27 November, at the Swedish-Norwegian Club in Paris, Swedish chemist Alfred Nobel signed his last will and testament and set aside the bulk of his estate to establish the Nobel Prizes, to be awarded annually without distinction of nationality. After taxes and bequests to individuals, Nobel's will allocated 94% of his total assets, 31,225,000 Swedish kronor, to establish the five Nobel Prizes. Born in Stockholm, Alfred Nobel was the third son of Immanuel Nobel (1801–1872), an inventor and engineer, and Karolina Andriette (Ahlzell) Nobel (1805–1889). The family was impoverished, and only Alfred and his three brothers survived past childhood. Nobel found that when nitroglycerin was incorporated in an absorbent inert substance like *kieselguhr* it became safer and more convenient to handle, and this mixture he patented in 1867 as "dynamite". Nobel later combined another nitrate explosive, and obtained a transparent, jelly-like substance, which was a more powerful explosive than dynamite. 'Gelignite', or blasting gelatine, as it was named, was patented in 1876. Gelignite was more stable, transportable and conveniently formed to fit into bored holes, like those used in drilling and mining, than the previously used compounds and was adopted as the standard technology for mining in the *Age of Engineering* bringing Nobel a great amount of financial success.



General Custer and Chief Black Kettle



Alfred Nobel



General Charles de Gaulle

1967 French President Charles de Gaulle said 'Non!' to British entry to the European Common Market for the second time. For some observers, his arguments for keeping Britain out were prophetic. De Gaulle announced at a press conference in January 1963 first time his opposition to British entry into the EEC. He argued that the UK would want to “impose its own conditions” on what were then the bloc’s six countries. The “insular” character of the island nation across the Channel had created a politico-economic “structure” which differed “profoundly” from “that of continental Europeans”, the General postulated. In 1967, de Gaulle said “non” again, justifying his veto with the declaration that “to allow England in would mean assenting to a lot of pretence, which would be there to hide the destruction of a structure that was built at the cost of so much pain and in the midst of so much hope”.

This week we are toasting the Rotary Club of Stockholm Strand, chartered on 9 February 1993 and meeting at the Bank Hotel in Stockholm. The establishment of the Nobel Prize was a kind of redemption for Alfred Nobel, who was accused by many to be a ‘merchant of death’.

Dieter Ziulkowski



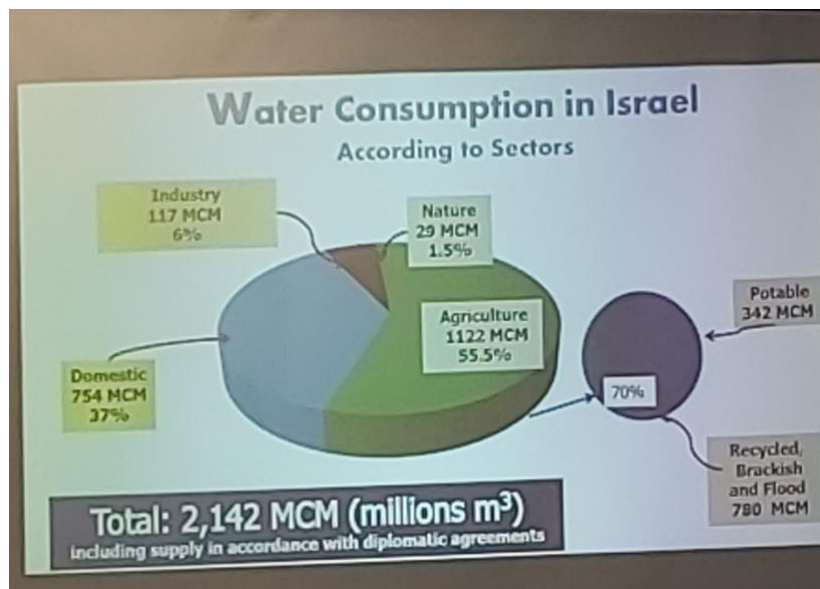
Some other news

Some notes from last week’s WASRAG conference in Ashdod:

Israel is supplying more than 2.1 billion cubic meter of water every year to its population of approximately 8.7 million, to 14,000 farms with 200,000 hecta4s of irrigated land, and more than 1,000 industrial plants.

Around 80 % of water originates from 6 desalination plants. 2 additional plants are in the planning stage.

Below the break down of the users:



The Jerusalem Rotary Club meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m. (13.00) at the Jerusalem International YMCA on King David Street. On the last Wednesday of every month it meets in the evening at 7 p.m. (19.00). NIS75 covers lunch/dinner, the Rotary program and a presentation by selected speakers. Kosher meals can be ordered until 90 minutes before the start of the meeting, by sending a message to our secretary 054-4295680. Visiting Rotarians and visitors are welcome.