



Weekly Bulletin of

The Jerusalem Rotary Club

Club # 13459, District 2490

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This Week's Programme

Dinner with the Rotary Club of Salerno

Salerno is a city in Campania (south-western Italy) and is the capital of the province of the same name. It is located on the Gulf of Salerno on the Tyrrhenian Sea.

Salerno is the main town close to the Costiera Amalfitana (the "Amalfi Coast", which includes the famous towns of Amalfi, Positano, and others) and is mostly known for its Schola Medica Salernitana, the first University of Medicine in the world.

In the 16th century, under the Sanseverino family, the powerful feudal lords, the city became a great centre of learning, culture and the arts, and the family hired several of the greatest intellectuals of the time. Later, in 1694, the city was struck by several catastrophic earthquakes and plagues, and afterwards a period of Spanish rule which would last until the 18th century. After that, Salerno became part of the Parthenopean Republic and saw a period of Napoleonic rule.

In recent history the city hosted the King of Italy, who moved from Rome in 1943 after Italy negotiated a peace with the Allies in World War II. A brief so-called "government of the South" was then established in the town, that became the "capital" of Italy for some months. Some of the Allied landings during Operation Avalanche (the invasion of Italy) occurred near Salerno.

Today Salerno is an important cultural centre in Campania and Italy and has had a long and eventful history. The city has a rich and varied culture, and the city is divided into three distinct regions: the medieval sector with a modern state-of-the arts area, the planned 19th century district and the more densely-populated post-war area, with its several apartment blocks. (*Wikipedia*)

Starting in the 2001-2002 Rotary year, the **Rotary Club of Salerno**, under the chairmanship of Antonio Bottiglieri, has set as a goal, a humanitarian project for promoting health care in Africa, bearing the name of the RC of

Salerno and the famous local Medicine School ("Project Africa").

The recipient is the Lacor Hospital near the town of Gulu, Uganda. In particular, the project aims to re-structure the Tuberculosis Ward of that Hospital.



Dinner meeting at the Jerusalem International YMCA, Wednesday 1 May at 19:00. Cost: NIS 100 per person. ♣



Upcoming Programme

May 8:

Noa Epstein and Ala Sader, Co-CEOs ME Education thru Technology (MEET): "Middle East Education through Technology"

May 15:

No meeting (Shavu'ot holiday)

Future Events

May 23-25:

53rd District Conference, Rhodes Palace Hotel, Rhodes, Greece

June 23-26:

104th Rotary International Convention, Lisbon, Portugal



International Toast

Inverness Culloden, Scotland

There is a whole range of interesting anniversaries on May 1st – a day which is also celebrated as International Worker's Day all over the world. I chose the 1st of May 1707



when the new sovereign state of Great Britain came into being as a result of the Acts of Union which combined the Kingdoms of Scotland and England into a single united Kingdom of Great Britain and merged the Parliaments of England and Scotland to form the Parliament of Great Britain.

Of the many cities with Rotary Clubs in Scotland I chose Inverness. It is regarded as the capital of the Highlands of Scotland, and it is the northernmost city in the United Kingdom. The Gaelic king MacBeth, whose 11th Century murder of King Duncan was immortalised in Shakespeare's play, held a castle within the city.

The **Rotary Club of Inverness Culloden** meets every Tuesday at 18.30 in the Lochardil House Hotel in Inverness. Their current President is Iain MacKintosh. Their fundraising activities include the Inverness Boat Festival, a Race Night, sponsored walks as well as an active social calendar during the year. Although we are not informed about how many members they have, their homepage documents impressive activities which presuppose a considerable number of committed members.

Michael M. ♣



Read more about the Dar -es-Salam Rotary Club on <http://www.cullodenrotary.org.uk.gridhosted.co.uk>



Happy Hour



Jerusalem Rotary Club

Meeting at the YMCA, 26 King David St, Jerusalem Wednesdays at 13:00, last Wednesday of each month at 19:00. Meetings are conducted in English. Visiting Rotarians and other guests are welcome.

Luncheon/Dinner cost: NIS 60, students and lone soldiers: NIS 20. For Kosher meals please book in advance. For this and other enquiries e-mail the club Secretary: zvi.sharoni@gmail.com

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