



Yaakov Kirschen

Political Analyst & Dry Bones Cartoonist

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- LECTURE 1 – “THE CUCKOOS IN OUR NEST” / A BIRD-WATCHERS TOUR OF THE GROTESQUE WORLD OF JEWISH DEFAMERS OF ISRAEL.
- LECTURE 2 – “THE LATEST NEWS AND OTHER JOKES” / A ROMP THROUGH 36 YEARS AS DRY BONES CARTOONIST – HISTORY, CARTOONS AND POLITICAL JOKES... WITH AN EMPHASIS ON JEWISH HUMOR AS POLITICAL AND SOCIAL COMMENTARY.

Yaakov Kirschen was born in 1938 in America. He grew up in Brooklyn and graduated from Queens College in 1961. He studied Art but became a cartoonist. Writing and drawing funny greeting cards and gag cartoons, his work is included in several "Best Of" Playboy anthologies.

In 1971 he moved to Israel, changed his first name from Jerry to Yaakov, and in 1973 began drawing a daily editorial strip called Dry Bones which has become internationally famous. In 2008, the cartoon celebrated its 35th year in The Jerusalem Post. Kirschen's political and social commentary has been reprinted or quoted by the New York Times, the Sunday Times, the Guardian, Time Magazine, LA Times, CBS, CNN, and many other media outlets. Dry Bones is also a regular feature in 40 papers in the U.S. and Canada. The award-winning and popular Dry Bones Blog (DryBonesBlog.com) began its Monday through Friday publication of Dry Bones cartoons in 2005.