



April & May 2024 Newsletter

District 2452

Club 88148

Meetings Held at

MC Palace Hotel

2nd & 4th Saturday



The Rotary theme

for this year is

CREATE HOPE IN

THE WORLD...

APRIL DESIGNATION IS

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH MONTH

"What is the value of the life of one child saved? No one will ever know, but if the child were our own, the price tag would be marked: Not for sale - this life is invaluable." 1979-80 James L. Bomar Jr

MAY IS

YOUTH SERVICE MONTH

"We cannot talk about the future without talking about children. They are our future." - PRIP James L. Lacy 1998-99

TAKE ACTION: Join a Project

YOUTH SERVICE

www.rotary.org

Rotary Monthly Theme

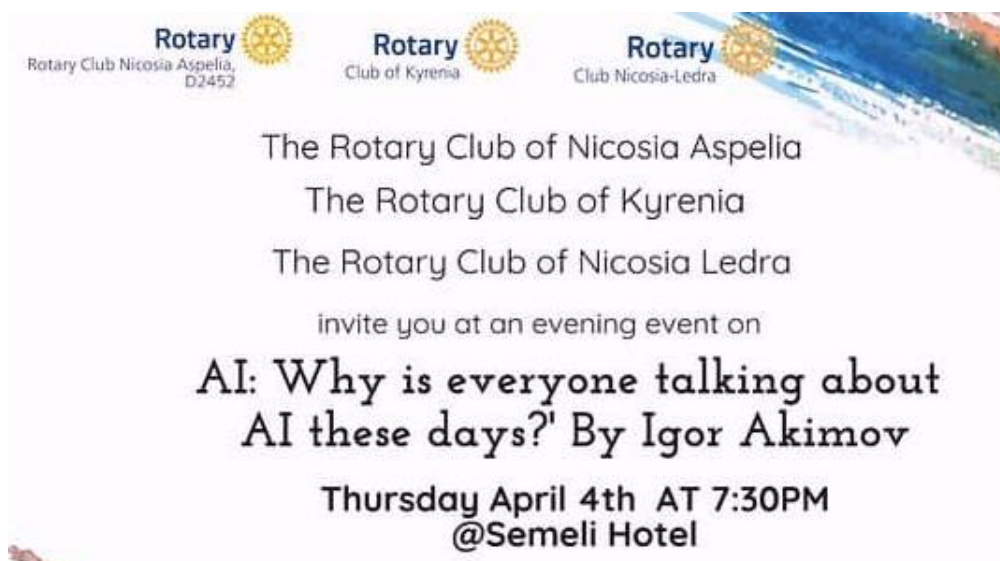
April – 2024 – Maternal Health and Child Month

May 2024 – Youth Service Month



Artificial Intelligence (AI) Training

President Olgun Topalcık and Treasurer Alpay Çelebi from RC Kyrenia Cosmopolitan were in attendance at the joint meeting hosted by RC Kyrenia, RC Nicosia Ledra, and RC Nicosia Aspelia, held at the Semeli Hotel on April 4th, 2024. The gathering provided an excellent platform for collaboration and knowledge sharing among the Rotary Clubs. A distinguished guest speaker enlightened the audience with comprehensive insights into the realm of Artificial Intelligence (AI). The discourse likely sparked engaging discussions and offered attendees a deeper understanding of AI's implications and advancements. Such gatherings play a pivotal role in fostering community engagement and staying abreast of cutting-edge developments in various fields.



RC Kyrenia Liman's Second Hand Stall



Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan President Olgun Topalcık visited Rotary Club of Kyrenia Liman's Second Hand stall in Le Chateau Lambousa Hotel in Kyrenia. They tried to sell the products for their global grant projects.

Rotaract Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan Training and New Member Pinning Ceremony





The Rotaract Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan recently orchestrated a dynamic Personal Development Learning Experience Session, featuring mentor PAGC Dervis Yasar Baha. President Mustafa Celebi graciously extended an invitation to members of the Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan, urging their attendance at this insightful event. Upon its conclusion, a significant moment unfolded as Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan President Olgun Topalcık and Past President Ayten Benoit were formally welcomed into the Rotaract Club as dual members. This dual membership not only solidifies their dedication to both organizations but also exemplifies the ethos of collaboration and mutual support within the Rotary community. Such initiatives not only foster personal growth but also strengthen the bonds of community service and camaraderie.





Rotary
Club of
Kyrenia Cosmopolitan

*Music &
Dance Shows*

**Spring
MARKET FESTIVAL**

20th & 21st April 2024

Fun for all the family
Bouncy castle

Crafts
More than 50 stalls

Time: 10:00 - 18:00



Venue: Milli Park Behind The Heaven Restaurant / ALSANCAK

Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan Spring Market

The Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan organized a Spring Market Festival at Milli Park on the weekend of April 20th and 21st, 2024. This community-oriented event provided a unique opportunity for local artisans and crafters to connect with the public and sell their handmade goods, offering them a platform to showcase their talents while generating income. The festival was bustling with activity, featuring live music, zumba and traditional folkloric performances that entertained visitors throughout the weekend. It was the first time that members from all levels of the Rotary community—earlyact, rotaract, and rotarian—collaborated on a project of this scale, bringing a sense of unity and shared purpose to the event. The earlyact group, comprising young students, played a significant role in the festival. They sold products they had crafted at school, using this opportunity to raise funds for their school's needs. This collaborative effort highlighted the Rotary Club's commitment to fostering teamwork across different age groups while supporting local education and creativity. As club, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to CM Imren Gurbasar and PP Ayten Benoit for all their outstanding efforts in organizing the Spring Market Festival. Their dedication and hard work were pivotal in ensuring the success of the event, which brought together local artisans, musicians, and community members for a vibrant and engaging weekend. Without the leadership and coordination provided by CM Imren Gurbasar and PP Ayten Benoit, this festival wouldn't have been possible. Their commitment to fostering community spirit and supporting local talent truly made a difference. Our club acknowledges and appreciates their invaluable contributions, which not only facilitated a successful event but also created a lasting impact on the community. Overall, the Spring Market Festival was a vibrant celebration of local culture and community spirit, providing entertainment and enjoyment while supporting meaningful causes.









As Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan, we would like to thank Demet Gencelli and Okan Alan, Göçtaş Folklor Team and Samira Zumba Kids Team for coming and performing in our Spring Market Festival.

Festival at İstasyon

Olgun Topalcık, the President of the Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan, along with Charter Member İmren Gurbasar and Past President Havva İbrahim Altun from the Rotaract Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan, attended the Turunc Festival held at İstasyon in Nicosia. This visit provided an opportunity for the club members to engage with the local community and participate in the festival's events, showcasing their commitment to community service and cultural exchange. The presence of these distinguished members underlines the active role the Rotary and Rotaract Clubs play in fostering connections and supporting local initiatives.

Club Meetings and New Member Pinning Ceremony

The Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan marked a momentous occasion with President Olgun Topalcik presiding over his final assembly, board and club meeting at the prestigious MC Palace Hotel on Saturday, May 11, 2024. Amidst a backdrop of camaraderie and celebration, Incoming President Anja van Raam unveiled her esteemed board members, garnering overwhelming support from the club members. Notably, Youth Chair Ben Benoit proudly pinned the badges of membership onto three exceptional individuals, Christine, Ellmar, and Hailey, as they officially joined the club's ranks. With a spirit of inclusivity and dedication, the club embarks on a new chapter, poised for continued growth and service to the community. Welcome to the fold, Christine, Ellmar, and Hailey, and best wishes to President Anja van Raam and her dynamic team as they lead the Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan towards even greater heights of impact and excellence.







Rotaract and Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan Beach Cleaning

Rotary



Club of
Kyrenia
Cosmopolitan

Rotaract



Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan
District 2452

The Rotary & Rotaract Club
of
Kyrenia Cosmopolitan

Beach Cleaning!

You are invited to join the Rotary & Rotaract
Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan beach cleaning
exercise!

26-05-2024

Venue	Time
Alagadi	11:00
Beach 2	a.m.



We commenced our day with a small presentation by SPOT: (North Cyprus Society for the Protection of Turtles), a marine conservation organisation in Cyprus educating to us about, sea turtle nesting and monitoring conservation in Northern Cyprus and the issues they are faced with doing their job as volunteers. We were given various special environmental friendly bags to collect various types of rubbish on the beach: (paper, plastic, metals, bottles etc), to ensure it is collected and disposed correctly.





Rotaract and Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan Handover Ceremony



THE ROTARY AND ROTARACT CLUB OF KYRENIA COSMOPOLITAN HANDOVER CEREMONY



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE ROTARY AND ROTARACT
CLUB OF KYRENIA COSMOPOLITAN'S HANDOVER CEREMONY



Date : 23rd of May 2024
Venue : MC Palace Hotel
Time : 7.30 pm
Dress Code : Formal



RSVP ON OR BEFORE: 17th of May 2024



We are pleased to announce that the Rotary and Rotaract Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan hosted a successful Handover Ceremony on Thursday, May 23rd, 2024, at the MC Palace Hotel. We sincerely appreciate everyone who attended and supported this important occasion. We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the MC Palace Hotel for their exceptional hospitality, which contributed greatly to the success of our event. You can find the handover ceremony video from this link: <https://www.facebook.com/RCKyreniaCosmopolitan/videos/462609443120155>



President Olgun Topalcik made flag exchange with Rtn. Irina Malkmus from Rotary Club of Dubai The Palm at their Handover Ceremony.



President Olgun Topalcık, Vice and Past President Ayten Benoit and Honorary Member Isin Ramadan Cemil have been honored with the Paul Harris Fellow recognition. They got their pin from PDDG and IDG Peter Ashdjian, PDDG Caterina Kalavas and DDG Taştan Altuner at the end of Handover Ceremony.





If you would like more information regarding our club activities or are interested in becoming a friend of the Rotary or a member of the Rotary, you can contact by sending an e-mail to the following addresses;

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For contact details of our other club member, you can always send an e-mail to our club or our Club President Olgun Topalcık any time you want.

Visiting Rotarians, Rotaractors and Guests are always welcome.