#### **January & February 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...





PEACEBUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION



**MONTH** 





Rotary Monthly Theme

January - February 2024

Vocational Service - Peacebuilding & Conflict Prevention



## Earlyact Visit on 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2024

The Rotary Club of Kyrenia has donated a Robotic Lego for the children of Karsiyaka for the second year running. The Robotic Lego helps children to learn how to follow instructions, working collaboratively as a team and problem solving while building the robots, it also supports children to improve their computer skills for the operation of the robots. Our club was able to do this through sponsorship received last year from Friends of Karsiyaka Schoolchildren.



## Joint Meeting on Saturday 14th of January 2024



Pictures from our last meeting 😔 RCKC 🐧 💚



We did our joint meeting in MC Palace Hotel on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> of January 2024 and after the meeting we had our late lunch.

#### **Guest Speaker Ola Olatunji**



Our club member Ola Olatunji gave us very important informations about Occupational Therapy. As December month theme was Disease Prevention and Treatment Month and we were not able to have this theme because of our christmas dinner and holiday, we did that theme on Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> of January 2024 in MC Palace Hotel.





## PINNING CEREMONY OF NEW MEMBER-ÜMİT EMİNOĞLU



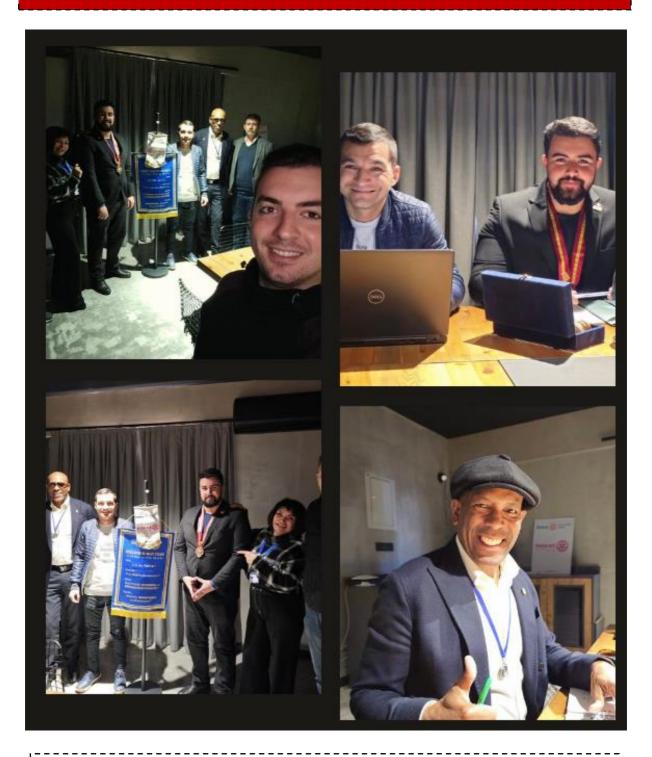
PAGC and our club mentor Dervish Yashar Baha pinned RC Kyrenia Cosmopolitan new club member Umit Eminoglu on 27<sup>th</sup> of January 2024. Dear Umit, welcome to RC Kyrenia Cosmopolitan family.

## **Flag Exchange**



A member of Norwegian Rotary Club Rt. Trond Solvang come and visit us on Saturday, 27th of January 2024. We made flag exhange with Rt. Trond at the end of meeting. Thank you for visiting us. Hope to see you soon again.

# **Visiting of Rotaract Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan**



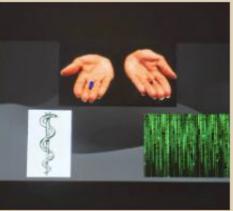
RC Kyrenia Cosmopolitan President Olgun Topalcık, Vice President Ayten Benoit, Treasurer Alpay Çelebi, Youthc Chair Ben Benoit and Metin Akat attended Rotaract Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan's meeting on Saturday, 3rd of February 2024 in The Coffeehane Gonyeli.

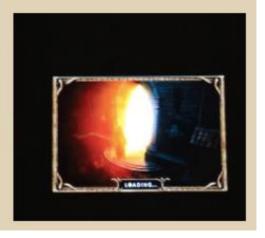
#### **Guest Speaker Metin Akat**











We did our board and club meeting on Saturday, 10th of February 2024 at 1.30 pm in MC Palace Hotel. Our member Metin Akat gave us information about his life experience and his career. Thank you dear Metin for your speech and presentation.

#### **Rotary Anniversary and Freedom Sanctuary**



The Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan joyously commemorated the 119th anniversary of Rotary at the picturesque Suna's Beach Restaurant on Thursday, the 22nd of February 2024. It was a night filled with camaraderie, celebration, and a shared commitment to service. Speaking of generosity, we are immensely grateful for the overwhelming support from our esteemed members and various companies who wholeheartedly contributed to the success of our event. Their unwavering dedication to our mission exemplifies the spirit of Rotary and reinforces our collective impact on the community. The celebration transcended borders as we warmly welcomed guests from South Cyprus and esteemed members from Rotary Clubs across both North and South Cyprus. It was a testament to the unifying power of Rotary in fostering connections and promoting goodwill beyond geographical boundaries. As we reveled in the festivities, it was essential to remember the noble cause driving our efforts. All proceeds from this memorable evening will be directed towards aiding injured street souls in Freedom Sanctuary, underscoring our commitment to making a meaningful difference in the lives of those in need. In essence, the 119th Rotary anniversary celebration was not merely a milestone but a reaffirmation of our enduring commitment to service above self. Together, we stand united in our dedication to creating positive change and spreading hope and compassion in our communities and beyond.





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We express our sincerest gratitude to our sponsors for their invaluable support. Their unwavering commitment has been instrumental in enabling us to pursue our goals and objectives. Through their generous contributions, we have been able to advance our initiatives and make a positive impact in our community. Their belief in our mission has empowered us to strive for excellence and achieve success. We recognize and appreciate the significance of their partnership, and we look forward to continuing to collaborate with them in the future to further our shared endeavors.



#### **Pinning Ceremony of Friend of Rotary**

DDG Tastan Altuner, in commemoration of the 119th year of Rotary anniversary, proudly designated Nulten Gelen, the founder and managing director of Freedom Sanctuary, as a distinguished "Friend of Rotary." This honor was bestowed during a special event held at Suna's Beach Restaurant. Notably, all proceeds generated from this event will be directed towards supporting the noble initiatives of Freedom Sanctuary.



# **Visiting of RC Kyrenia Liman**



Club President Olgun Topalcık attended RC Kyrenia Liman's meeting and represented our club. There was a guest speaker in the meeting about Natural Health and Ozone Therapy on Wednesday, 10th of January 2024 in Dome Hotel.



On Friday, February 23, 2024, members of the Rotary Club of Kyrenia Cosmopolitan were honored to participate in a momentous occasion—the joint celebration of the 119th Anniversary of Rotary International, hosted at the Dome Hotel with Rotary Clubs of Kyrenia Liman, Kyrenia St. Hilarion, and Nicosia Sarayonu. It was a splendid gathering marked by camaraderie, fellowship, and a shared commitment to Rotary's mission of service above self. The occasion provided an opportunity for networking, exchanging ideas, and strengthening the bonds of friendship among Rotarians. We were grateful for the opportunity to join hands with fellow Rotary clubs in commemorating this significant milestone, reflecting on the impactful work of Rotary over the years, and reaffirming our dedication to serving our communities and making a positive difference in the world.



#### Guest Speaker Prof. Dr. Nur Köprülü

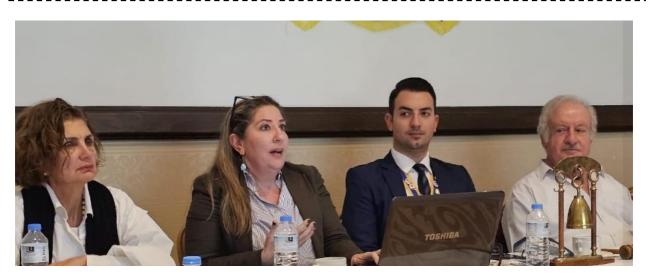


As Rotary theme is Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Mont, we invited guest speaker Prof. Dr. Nur Koprulu to gave us information about Quest For Peace in the Middle East: Prospects and Constraints on Saturday, 24th of February 2024 at 1.30 pm in MC Palace Hotel, Çatalköy.





In February, Rotary embraced the theme of "Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution" by hosting Prof. Dr. Nur Koprulu as our esteemed guest speaker for our club. Dr. Koprulu shared insightful perspectives on the quest for peace in the Middle East, highlighting both the prospects and constraints faced in the region. Prior to Dr. Koprulu's address, our enthusiastic PP Ben Benoit led an energizing activity to invigorate our club members. Additionally, we were honored to welcome guests from Rotary Club of Kyrenia Liman, including Foundation Chair Deniz Ozalp and PP Gultac Ozsan, who added valuable insights to our discussions. Following the meeting, members enjoyed a delightful lunch together, further fostering camaraderie and fellowship within our Rotary community.



#### **Visiting of RC Kyrenia Liman**





The Rotary Club of Kyrenia Liman recently hosted a gathering centered around the theme of peace, in alignment with the February theme designated by Rotary International. During the event, members were invited to join their meeting where a distinguished guest speaker, PAGC Derviş Yaşarı Baha, delivered a thought-provoking discourse on the subject of peace. His presentation likely offered valuable insights and perspectives on the importance of fostering peace within communities and beyond. Such events serve as platforms for Rotary members to engage in meaningful discussions and collaborate on initiatives aimed at promoting peace and goodwill.

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.\*\*\*