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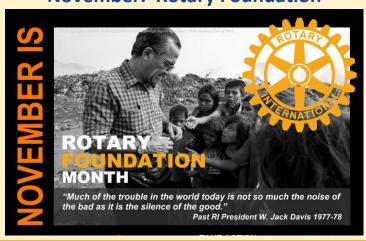
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# Rotary Monthly Theme November: Rotary Foundation









ROTARY CLUB

#### Welcome District Governor Bashar Haddad

On November 7<sup>th</sup>, the Rotary Club of Nicosia Lefkothea was honored with the visit of DG Bashar Haddad, accompanied by DGN Peter Ashdjian, DDG Tastan Altuner and AG Annie Hadjimarcou. The Club's Board and the Club's committees Directors presented the achievements and projects delivered so far and those in progress. DG Bashar expressed his congratulations for the work and performance of our club and shared some ideas with the attendees and provided guidance and stewardship to the Club's activities.





































#### **DG Visit to Rotary Projects in Nicosia**

On November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, DG Bashar visited the Karaiskakio Foundation- Rotary Laboratory. The Rotary Club of Nicosia Lefkothea, as the host club, worked on two global grants of USD 275,000 and USD 70,000 to purchase equipment that enabled the establishment of the Childhood Cancer Diagnostic Center. The center provides free of charge, guidelines to the healthcare providers that minimizes collateral cancer treatment damage to children and young adults to all communities in Cyprus.



















The same day, DG Bashar also visited Ithaki where a multi-sensory room was provided to the center by our club. Ithaki is a day care centre for people suffering from dementia.











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# <u>Dinner with DG Bashar Haddad and his spouse Mais</u> & Pinning Ceremony of RCNL New member Elina Pettermides

Following the meeting with DG Bashar Haddad, Nicosia Based Rotary Clubs organized a dinner event at Prosilio Restaurant. The event was attended by Rotarians and Guests. During the event, our Club welcomed a new member Dr Elina Katsiai- Pettemerides- who was provided the Rotary Pin by PDG Kevork Mahdessian at the request of DG Bashar. RC Kyrenia also welcomed a new member R Marina Gabriel pinned by DGN Peter Ashdjian.



















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#### Welcome to the RC Nicosia Lefkothea family

A warm welcome to Rotarian Elina Katsiai- Pettemerides who joined the RC Nicosia Lefkothea family. Elina is a holder of a bachelor's degree in modern Greek, and Byzantine Studies, and a Master and an MPhil Degree in Classical Studies, and a PhD in the Pedagogical Studies (Analytical Programs and Teaching).

She was engaged, for more than 2 years, as a Postgraduate Teaching assistant, for the module 'Homer in Translation' at the Department of Classics, University of London.

The last 15 years she is working as an officer at the Ministry of Education, of Sports and Youth as a Coordinator of the European Program "DRA.S.E.+".

She is engaged in several social charity activities.

She is a proud wife and mother of three girls, aged 7, 5 and 4 years old, named Panayiota, Styliana and Alexandra.

Rtn Elina was introduced to the Club by Rtn Panayiota Georgiou and from day one was actively engaged in the preparation of the Panel event Bullying in Schools and its consequences. We are looking forward to serving together with Rtn Elina.







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# RC Nicosia Lefkothea at the European University event: "How Artificial Intelligence is Transforming the World"

The Rotary Club of Nicosia Lefkothea was a sponsor and supporter of the Artificial Intelligence Seminar that took place within the Framework of the 11<sup>th</sup> multidisciplinary biomedical congress organized by the European University medical School (Nicosia- Cyprus). Club President Adib Mounla delivered the welcome note of the event on behalf of the Club and emphasized on the important of AI and how it can also transform how Rotary operates and conducts its projects. The speech also included information about Rotary, the Polio Rotary Campaign and information about the activities of the Rotary Club of Nicosia Lefkothea. The event was covered by media and attended by many professionals, academics and students and was a good occasion to create awareness about Rotary.







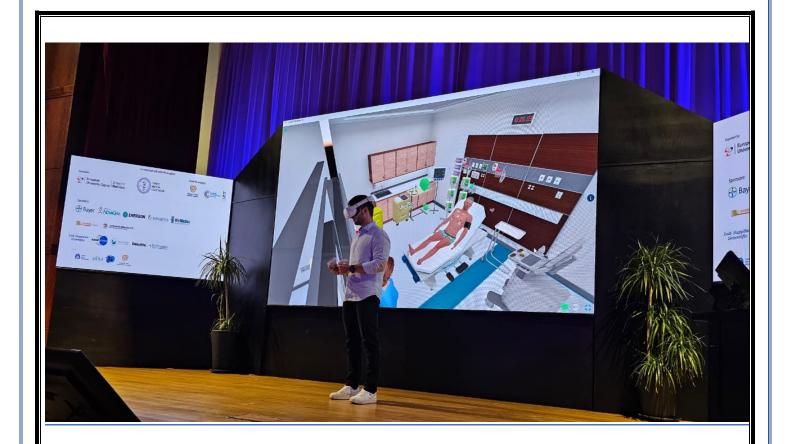
















Joint Dinner meeting between RC Nicosia Salamis and RC Nicosia Lefkothea

"Outline the effect of Drugs on Cyprus and ways of dealing with it by the
Police"

The Rotary Clubs of Nicosia Salamis and Nicosia Lefkothea held a joint Dinner meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup> at the Semeli Hotel. The guest speaker was Mr. Stelios Sergidis Deputy Commander Y.K.A.N. - Member of the Board of Directors of the Cyprus and European Addictions Authority for Narcotics Observatory. Mr. Sergidis presented the Effect of Drugs on Cyprus and discussed how the police is dealing with it. The dinner was attended by a large number of Rotarians and friends















# RC Nicosia Lefkothea Panel discussion on "School Bullying: The Role of the Society and Education in Cyprus nowadays"

Under the auspices and participation of Mrs. Annita Demetriou President of the House of Representative, The Rotary Club of Nicosia Lefkothea organized a Panel discussion, in Greek, on "School Bullying: The Role of the Society and Education in Cyprus nowadays". The event was held at the Strovolos Cultural Center and the attendance exceeded 100 persons. The guest speakers: Mrs. Annita Demetriou, Dr Katerina Gregoriou, Dr Nikola Yiasoumis, Rotarian Dr Elina Pettemerides, Rotarian Panayiota Georgiou and Mr. Markos Clerides, all shared their experiences and insights on how we can tackle this important issue and create a safe and inclusive learning environment for our children. The purpose of the discussion was not only to raise awareness but also to provide practical solutions to the problem. The discussion was followed by a Q&A session. The event was also covered by media (please refer to page #23). A special thank you to the following Rotarians who organized the event, Elina Pettemerides, Panayiota Georgiou, Anastasia Orphanou and Tania Eojourian and to Makkas Winery.





























Participation at Cyprus Rotary Events Rotary Cyprus Pollinator and Environmental Taskforce Tree-planting event in Galinis Park Sunday November 26<sup>th</sup> 2023.

The Rotary Club of Nicosia Lefkothea participated in the activity organized by the Rotary Cyprus Pollinator and Environmental Taskforce. Apart from gardening and cleaning the park, the participants (including kids) had a chance to participate in the creation of natural paints from leaves and flowers. There was also a presentation about the importance of pollinators in the times of climate change and present some tips and ideas on the construction of the bee houses and homes for other pollinators.























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#### Rotary Club Nicosia Lefkothea in the Media

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Εκδήλωση με θέμα τον σχολικό εκφοβισμό και τον ρόλο της κοινωνίας και της εκπαίδευσης στην Κύπρο σήμερα πραγματοποιείται σήμερα το απόγευμα από τον Ροταριανό Όμιλο Λευκωσίας - Λευκοθέας.

Η εκδήλωση, που τελεί υπό την αιγίδα και τη συμμετοχή της Προέδρου της Βουλής, πραγματοποιείται το απόγευμα στο Πολιτιστικό Κέντρο Στροβόλου στις 19:00.







#### <u>Updates on Projects</u> Global Grant 2352702: IN SUPPORT OF LIFE II



The Rotary Club of Nicosia-Lefkothea RD 2452 (Local Host Club) in partnership with the Rotary Club Bietigheim-Vaihingen RD 1830 (International Partner Club), with the support of other Rotary Clubs from Cyprus and abroad, submitted the Global Grant application under the Disease Prevention and Treatment Area of Focus of Rotary International, for the donation of the required equipment, namely, a Panthera Puncher 9 with its Plate shaker 220V, a Plate Dispenser and two Dispenser Units to the Centre for Preventive Pediatrics "Americos Argyriou" (CFPP).

The equipment to be provided will enable the Centre to enhance its current program of preventive diagnostic screening with additional tests, which are provided free of charge, to ALL neonatal infants born in the Republic of Cyprus, irrespective of ethnicity religion or social status, and background.

The global grant application is submitted to the Rotary Foundation for review.







#### **Polio Projects**

As a reminder on the occasion of the Polio day in October 2023, the Club prepared two big scale project:

- -An big sized awareness billboard that was on display from October 7th till Nov 3rd located on a prime location in Nicosia, and a (Av Ifigenias / Armenia Street traffic light).
- -And a joined intitative with the APOEL FC. During the Cyprus CUP match between APOEL FC and PEYIA 2014, both football teams and referees entered the football stadium wearing Rotary and END POLIO NOW T-Shirts. This event was covered by numerous Media channels including national TV and cable TV coverage and the sports teams' websites.

The two events were features in the Zone 21 B Public Image Newsletter in addition to the District 2452 Social Medial posts











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#### **CONFERENCES / CONVENTIONS / EVENTS**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>VENUE</u>	PRESENTER / SPEAKER	<u>TOPIC</u>
DEC 5 <sup>TH</sup> JOINT WITH NICOSIA BASED CLUBS	CLEOPATRA HOTEL	PP AND MOH POPI KANARI	HEALTHCARE IN CYPRUS: STATE OF AFFAIRS AND PROSPECTS
DEC 15 <sup>TH</sup> JOINT WITH NICOSIA BASED CLUBS	CLEOPATRA HOTEL		CHRISTMAS DINNER
DEC 19 <sup>TH</sup> 7 PM	ONLINE MEETING ZOOM LINK		CLUB ASSEMBLY

11th Rotary District Conference Jordan – Amman June 27th - 30th 2024

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TDxrLIFPRB8







