



ROTARY CLUB NICOSIA - ASPELIA

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CLUB BULLETIN No. 12 – Friday 21 October, 2011

AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING – 4 November, 2011

13.15 Arrivals

13.30 Grace and Lunch

- Apologies for absence
- Introduction of visitors
- President's announcements
- 14.00 Dessert and coffee

14.05 Speech/Presentation: "Managing Risks in an Era of Global Change" by Dr. John Charalambakis.

14.25 Raffle

14.30 Close

MINUTES OF THE MEETING – October 21, 2011

Acting Sergeant at Arms: Rtn Friedrich Vogel.

Grace: The grace was read by Rtn Alexandra Matsis.

Apologies: PP Masis Der Parthogh, PP Lefkios Ioannides, PP Era Michaelides, IP Eleni Zapiti, Patrick Elston, Louisa Coudounaris, Manfred Lange, Farid Egthesadi, George Pavlou.

Rotarian Visitors: AG Dincer Cagin.

Guests: Prof. Farid Mirbagheri, Christina Hadjiparaskeva, Evi Pantelides.

Attendance: Meeting average 37% (18 members), annual average 50%.

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Communication of apologies: You may forward your apologies at the e-mail address or mobile phone of Sec Loucas Vrionides or Adm. Director Rena Papaioannou.

Communication of make ups: You may forward your make ups at the e-mail address of Rtn Pia Ceder.

President's Announcements

P Katerina welcomed DGE Kevork Mahdessian who attended the Rotary Institute for Zone 20B in Cairo, Egypt, 11-15 October, 2011.

Jack Selway, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of the Rotary Global History Fellowship (RGHF) congratulated all Cyprus Rotarians who became members of RGHF. With their participation, over and above the 19 Rotary Clubs and the 9 Assistant Governors and Coordinator and over and above the 67 existing older members, the total number of Rotarians from Cyprus was increased to 105, making Cyprus "**The First RGHF Country in the World**" with so many members, taking into consideration its population which is not more than a million.

Next week's meeting is cancelled since 28th of October is a public holiday.

On Monday, 31st of October, 18:30, at the Cleopatra Hotel, **DG Usama Barghouthi** meets our club's board of directors and officers. Any other member that wishes to attend is welcome to join.

At 20:30, there will be a joint dinner to honor the District Governor and his wife with RC Nicosia and RC Ledra. The price is 30 Euros and there will be live music entertainment. Members are encouraged to attend so that we present a good crowd. For reservations inform Administration Director Rena or Secretary Loucas.

Yesterday, Thursday 20th of Oct., there was a **Happy Hour Fellowship** at the Cayena Restaurant from 7.30-930 pm with finger food and drinks. The members who have attended agreed that they had an excellent fellowship time with enjoyable food and a terrific environment. Everybody agreed that this should be repeated.

On the 4th of November, our guest speaker Dr. John Charalambakis, Chief Economist for the Black Summit Financial Group Inc., United States, will talk on "**Managing Risks in an Era of Global Change.**"

On the 5th of November, a fellowship day trip will take place to Famagusta. Art Historian Mrs. Rita Severis will be joining us.

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On Friday 11th of November 2011, in the evening, the official **twinning ceremony** between our club and the **Rotary Club Kifisia** of Greece will take place right after dinner. Members should try to attend and bring their spouses because we need to have a strong participation.

Consequently, the luncheon of this day is cancelled.

A hospitality committee will be formed to undertake the program of their stay.

The next morning, Saturday the 11th, they will join our Rotaractos in their **Professional Development Workshop - The Way to Success**, where their president will be one of the speakers.

A few words on the Rotary Institute for Zone 20B by DGE Kevork

DGE Kevork, who attended the Institute, said that 255 members attended. The Incoming president from Japan, the zone director from Uganda and all incoming governors of Zone B, all from 27 countries, from Yugoslavia down to Uganda attended the Institute.

No members from Africa attended since they go to Zone 'A' meetings.

There were very interesting speakers and lectures and all members were attending every day.

DGE Kevork said that, at some point, members have to attend these meetings because this experience gives the feeling of what Rotary is.

CLUB ASSEMBLY

Each director presented his/her plans.

PR Director Louisa said that we have to learn from experience. Last year we had a record in newspaper coverage. This year the TV project is going to be branded and projects in the future have to be branded.

Membership Director Alexandra Matsis said that the plan this year is to sustain and to continue growing in membership. The target is to have two new members, but we may have three.

Rotary Foundation Director Nazo Davidian said that he is trying to do an ambitious project: to provide running water, as well as, purification and sanitation facilities in a village in Armenia. This, as he said, falls within the Rotary Foundation undertakings.

P Katerina said that we have to raise and send as a club extra \$2000 this year to meet the challenge of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

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Administration Director Rena Papaioannou said that Pia Ceder kindly assists her in registering the attendance.

Treasurer Walter Bopp said that more than half of the members have paid their dues for this year. The Administration Account has 6000 Euros. The dues have been paid to both District and International level.

The Projects Director was not present. P Katerina invited members to share any suggestions might have especially on environmental matters.

DGE Kevork said that there is a need for a Rotary Office where all records and equipment of the clubs will be kept. In Jordan, there is a three bedroom flat used as an office, with three girls keeping all the records of the local clubs.

Forthcoming events:

Oct. 22-23: The Cyprus Rotary 3rd Annual Conference and Assembly, Forest Park Hotel in Platres

Oct. 28: National Holiday – Meeting is Cancelled

Oct. 31: District Governor will meet the Board at 18:30

Oct. 31: Joint dinner with two other Nicosia Clubs in honor of the District Governor

Nov. 4: Regular Meeting with speaker– Dr. John Charalambakis

Nov. 5: Fellowship day trip to Famagusta. Art Historian Mrs. Rita Severis will be joining us

Nov. 11: Lunch meeting cancelled

Nov. 11: Twinning with Rotary Club Kifisia at 20.00 – Hilton hotel

Nov. 17-19: Rotary Foundation Seminar in Dubai

Nov. 18: Regular Meeting – Guest speaker

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The above program is subject to changes

Birthdays and raffle winner

Everybody wished a Happy Birthday to IPP Caterina and Rtn Friedrich.



Rtn Alexandra Matsis won the raffle.

Meeting concluded at 14.40.

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