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The new Aspelia website is on the national website: <http://rotary-cyprus.org/nic-aspelia/>
LOOK FOR THE ASPELIA FACEBOOK

MARCH – Literacy Month

ROTARY AWARENESS

7-13 MARCH WORLD ROTARACT WEEK

Every year, World Rotaract Week honors the chartering of the first club in 1968.

World Rotaract Week is a time for Rotaractors and Rotarians around the world to come together to celebrate the success and importance of the Rotaract program. This event is also an excellent opportunity to inform members of your community about the amazing work that Rotaract clubs do, and give them an opportunity to get involved.



Our Aspelia Rotaractors celebrating Womens' Day during their meeting on 8 March 2011.

P Caterina and Rtns Stefan Peter and Marina Theodotou attended the meeting.



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Rotary Youth Exchange

As a Rotary Youth Exchange student, you'll spend up to a year living with host families and attending school in a different country.



Whether you participate in Rotary's long-term or short-term Youth Exchange programs, you'll learn a new way of living, a great deal about yourself, and maybe even a new language. You'll also be an ambassador, teaching people you meet about your country, culture, and ideas. You can help bring the world closer – and make some good friends in the process.

For over 75 years, students and host families have broadened their horizons through Rotary Youth Exchange. More than 80 countries and over 8,000 students each year participate in the program, which is administered at the regional level by Rotary districts and at the local level by Rotary clubs.

AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING – 11 March, 2011

13.15 Arrivals

13.30 Grace and Lunch

- Announcements
- Apologies for absence
- President's announcements

14.10 **Speaker:** Fantinos Hadjimitsis, Cyprus Trainer:
"Rotary awareness and membership" *in Othello room*

14.20 Birthdays

Dessert and coffee

14.25 Raffle

14.30 Close



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MINUTES OF LAST MEETING- 4 MARCH 2011

Rtn Walter Bopp acted as SA in the absence of SA Patrick Elston

Grace: It was read by Rtn Friedrich Vogel

Apologies: DGN Kevork Mahdessian, AG Elena Tanou, PPs Marianna Trokoudes, Masis Der Parthogh, and Rtms Patrick Elston, Manfred Lange, Peter Vogler, Marina Theodotou and Areti Demosthenous who sends her best wishes from China.

Attendance – courtesy of Club Administration Director, Annual average: % - for the meeting %: (members attended).

Communication of apologies: You may forward your apologies at the e-mail address or mobile phone of Secretary Eleni Zapiti or of Sergeant at Arms Patrick Elston.

President's Announcements

- P Caterina presented a sample of a T-shirt to order with the Aspelia logo. Members in high spirits agreed and suggested several colours: white, black and blue. She then presented samples of Nicosia-Aspelia Rotary and Rotaract banners.
- **Nicosia Sarayonou Rotary Club:" Hand in Hand" Fundraising event:** DGN Kevork Mahdessian and P Caterina participated in this event and had the opportunity to explore the Venetians Walls of Nicosia in the Northern occupied part of Nicosia.
- **Environmental project - The following events are planned:**

8 March 2011, 10.00 am: Recycling awareness is the main objective of this project. Within this spirit, RC Nicosia- Aspelia delivered 35 paper & PMD recycling bins and a composting bin to the IV Aglandjia Elementary School at the cost of Euro 1464 plus VAT. The bins were manufactured by Rtn Loizos Afxentiou Managing Director of "LARS BUSINESS LINKS AND REPRESENTATION SERVICES" who made an excellent presentation to the students on recycling and composting. The bins bear the Green Dot and Aspelia logo.



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Rtn Loizos Afxendiou, P Caterina, Mr Sakis Theodossiou from Green Dot and the headmistress of IV Aglantzia Elementary School.

23 March 2011, 9.25 am: The next delivery of the recycling & composting bins will be at the American International School in Cyprus, during their School Assembly followed by the presentation on Recycling and composting, with the support of our Interactors.

20 March 2011 – Tree Planting: Rotary Club Nicosia Aspelia in collaboration with the Aspelia Rotaractors is organising tree planting in the Athalassa area in Nicosia, probably near the buffer zone.

A lunch will follow at the house of AG Elena Tanou, who once again offered to host a **Rotary fundraising event**. More details will follow.

- Photographic Exhibition "The way I see it" by Alain Merheje, **Opening on 23 March, 8.30 pm, at Academy 32**. Part of the net proceedings will be donated to Aspelia. Alain is the husband of our member Nairy. We thank them for their contribution. (Invitation attached).
- **Member's news:** Rtn Nazo is nominated representative of our club to the "District Disaster Relief Force", to work closely with Lauria Markides the District coordina

P Caterina received an email from DDG George Papaleontiou informing that AG Elena Tanou is been appointed as the District DRR for 2012-13. Further to members request P Caterina will ask for more details about the responsibilities of this position.

P Caterina congratulated PP Fantinos Hadjimitsis for being nominated as the DDG for the year 2012-13

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**It is with great pleasure to announce the Rotaractors Election Results:
PP Elena Stylianides of Amathusia Rotaractor club has been announced
as the DRR of our District for the year 2012 - 2013!!!**

Congratulations to Elena.

• **Other events:**

1. **Group Study Exchange 4-12 April 2011:** A group of 4 young people (1 man and 3 women) will be arriving in Cyprus from Hawaii (inbound team). P Caterina asked for a family willing to accommodate one of them. AG Elena is hosting one member of the inbound team.
2. **19 March 2011 – PETS Seminar** for the incoming President and Secretary.
3. **20 March 2011 – Leadership Seminar for AGs.** PP Andreas Ladas expressed his disagreement in considering as compulsory the participation.
4. **New Rotaract Club:** Very glad to announce that our DG's wishes for our fever to be contagious, became true and we have the Chartering of the new Rotaract club of **Larnaca Kition on 28/3/2011 at Golden Bay Beach Hotel**. We wish the new club and their president Louisa Georgiou every success.
5. **Nicosia Ledra Rotary Club Antique Cars Rally** The Rotary Club of Nicosia Ledra is organizing in co-operation with FIPA a **Charity Car Rally on Sunday the 13th of March**. Participants will take a Sunday leisure drive from Acropolis Park to Larnaca; this will be followed by lunch.



The aim of this activity is to help financially the **Cyprus Anti-Cancer society**. Rotarians that wish to attend please contact the Nicosia Ledra president or secretary.

District Magazine: AG Nina Sadek reminded P Caterina in sending to PP Biland Sadek material and photos related to the Club's activities, in order to prepare an article.

Rotarian Annita Papakyriakou informed Aspelia members about an interesting seminar entitled, "NEW STRATEGIC CHALLENGES FOR THE NEAR EAST - The awakening of Democracy or the rise of islam?". **Tuesday 8 March**

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Rtn Nazo Davidian presented a banner he received from the Rotary Club in Yerevan during his visit there for the delivery of computers.

Raffle winner: P Caterina drew the raffle and won.

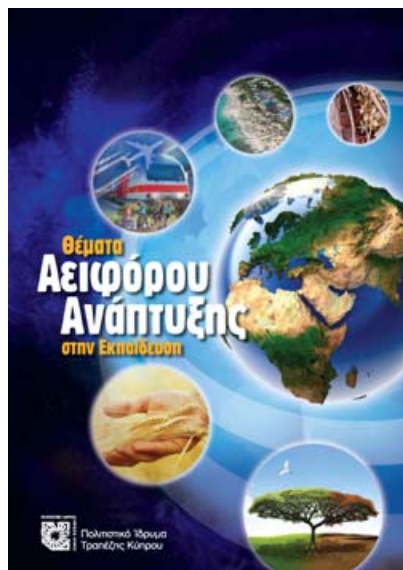
The meeting concluded at 14.30

Other News

The Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation would like to invite you at the presentation of its new edition in the series of Environmental Books. This new edition is a thorough study on Sustainable Development. 480 books will be donated to schools since the Ministry of Education and Culture inducted this book in the schools' curriculum.

Venue: **Bank of Cyprus Headquarters, Ayia Paraskevi (near Hilton)**

Date: **10 March 2011 – Time: 7.00 pm**



Bulletin Contributions

- Club Administration Director Pia Ceder for the attendance and the calendar.
- P Caterina for the pictures.

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MARCH (LITERACY MONTH)	
3 Thursday	Board meeting 18.00
4 Friday	Regular meeting – Fellowship
11 Friday	Regular meeting - speaker - Fantinos Hadjimitsis, Cyprus Trainer: "Rotary awareness and membership" Othello room
18 Friday	Regular meeting - speaker - Walter Bopp - "The Geneva issue"
19 Saturday	Pets seminar
20 Sunday	Tree planting and Lunch at Elena Tanou's house
23 Wednesday	Photo exhibition . 20.30 h.at Academy 32, Aspelia fund raising event. – opening by the Charge d'affaires of Lebanon in Cyprus
25 Friday	Meeting canceled - Public Holiday

*Programme may be subject to change

PHOTO GALLERY

"Hand in hand" Fundraising Event organized by Sarayonou Rotary Club.

DGN Kevork Mahdessian, his wife Vart and P Caterina participated in this tour and explored the Venetian Walls in the North occupied part of Nicosia as well as other parts of the town.



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