



ROTARY CLUB NICOSIA - ASPELIA



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District Conference Month

One big smile from Bangkok

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The 2012 RI Convention in Bangkok, Thailand, has drawn to a close. But the event is still leaving a big smile on many people's faces. On 7 May, exactly 2,012 participants put on yellow and blue jackets and hoods to form Thailand's Biggest Smile at the Impact Arena for Ripley's Believe It Or Not. The number 2012 reflected the convention year and the year Rotary members celebrated exceeding Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge for polio eradication. [Read more about the celebration.](#)

The activity also fit in with the RI Convention concept of "The Land of a Thousand Smiles" which conveyed the friendliness of the host country and its people.

AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING – MAY 18, 2012

13.15 Arrivals

13.30 Grace and Lunch

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

14.25 Raffle

14.30 Close

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 11, 2012

Acting Sergeant at Arms: Rtn Nazo Davidian.

Grace: The grace was read by DGE Kevork Mahdessian.

Apologies for Absence: PP Era Michaelides, PP Savvas Omorphos, PP Masis der Parthogh, Alessio Mugnai and Farid Mirbagheri.

Rotarian Visitors: AG Dincer Cagin.

Other Guests: Evi Pantelides, Diana der Avedissian, Olga Demetriades, Costas Chrysostomou, Haris Georgiades and Mariza Chrysostomou.

Attendance: Meeting average: 36% (18members attended), annual average 53%.

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President's Announcements

A **short survey** has been emailed to all members with six questions .All members have been urged to spend 2-3 minutes in order to complete this questionnaire and submit it electronically. The first three are needed in order to collect information for a demographic survey by Rotary International. The other three are to help us decide whether to have dinner meetings on Wednesdays or continue with lunch meetings on Fridays in an effort to improve attendance and attract young professionals that cannot make it on Fridays. The same applies to the cases of Rotaractors who are at the age of becoming Rotarians. Our venue will remain the same (Hilton hotel).

Our **Photo Exhibition** on the 25th-27th of May at Skali Aglantzia is approaching and all proceeds will go towards the funding of the water project at Sotk village in Armenia.

Our final fund raising event of this Rotary year will be the Summer Garden Party at PP Era Michaelides' house, for the Scholarship Fund, on Friday the 22nd of June. The main theme of the party will be based on the international character of our Club (food /music/dress code- any other ideas are always welcome). Our regular lunch meeting is cancelled.

The change over ceremony of our club of will be on Friday 29th of June and the handover ceremony for both the DG and the DDG (Cyprus) will take place at the Cyprus Hilton Hotel in Nicosia on Friday 6th of July, at 20.30.

P Katerina thanked AG Dincer Cagin for his guidance and support throughout the year.

Sec Loucas will preside the next meeting since P Katerina will be attending the district conference.

General Assembly

- The district budget for 2012-2013 was presented by DGE Kevork Mahdessian and unanimously approved.
- PAG Elena Tanou has been nominated by PP Marianna Trokoudes for the election of DDG 2013-14. The nomination was supported by P Katerina and seconded by PP Caterina. Finally it was unanimously approved.

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- PP Caterina Kalavas was proposed by P Katerina to be nominated to serve on the Country/Area Team (Chairs of country committees) for 2013-14. The proposal was approved.
- In order to respond as a Club to the request by IDDG Fantinos Hadjimitsis, our PP Sotos Demetriou and PP Caterina Kalavas have volunteered to participate in committees of the Cyprus Rotary (2012-2013). P Katerina Nicolaides also proposed PP Marianna Trokoudes if she agrees.
- P Katerina Nicolaides and IP Eleni Zapiti are unanimously approved as the two authorized members to vote on behalf of our Club at the district conference assembly.

Birthdays and raffle winner

Everybody wished a happy birthday to Rtn Keti Chrysostomou. Rtn Keti, as every year on her birthday, matched the luncheon bill and donated the equivalent amount of money to the Scholarship Fund.

Rtn Alexandra Matsis won the raffle.



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Any members, who wish to support the cause we undertook to assist five families from Nicosia by providing them with food stuff, may do so by depositing money to our Bank of Cyprus account No. 0108-01-024209.



Tree planting by Aspelia Rotaractors and Interactors held on Sunday 29 April.

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

MAY	
17 -20	District Conference, Aqaba, Jordan
18 Friday	Regular Meeting
25 Friday	Regular Meeting Guest Speaker: Dr. Christos Theodoulou
25-27 Friday-Sunday	Fund Raiser Photo Exhibition "Aspelian Photographic Kaleidoscope-Nature's Visions"

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JUNE	
1 Friday	Regular Meeting Guest Speaker: Dr. Nicos Anastasiou
5 Tuesday	Happy Hour: at Academy 32
7 Thursday	Board Meeting
8 Friday	Regular Meeting Speaker: Mrs. Shani Zubida-Cooper, Deputy Chief of Mission of Embassy of Israel in Cyprus and Economic Attaché, Topic: Economic Cooperation between Cyprus and Israel
15 Friday	Regular Meeting
22 Friday	Lunch Meeting cancelled Evening: Summer Garden Party at PP Era Michaelides' house Our last fund raising event (Scholarship Fund)
29 Friday	Handover ceremony

JULY	
6 Friday	DDG's Handover Ceremony

Meeting concluded at 2.30 pm.

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