

ROTARY CLUB NICOSIA - ASPELIA



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NEW GENERATION MONTH

Rotary helps foster peace, understanding through education

A decade after 9/11, humanitarian service organization continues to train new

generations of peace builders

Read the above News Release (separate attachment) to see how Rotary awards up to 110 full scholarships each year for master's-level degrees or a professional certificate in peace and conflict studies at seven Rotary Peace Centers.

AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING – 23 September, 2011

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 – September 16, 2011

PP Caterina Kalavas presided the meeting as AP in the absence abroad of P Katerina Nicolaides.

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Grace: The grace was read by Rtn Nazo Davidian.

Apologies: P Katerina Nicolaides, DGE Kevork Mahdessian, PP Marianna Trokoudes, PP Era Michaelides, Farid Eghtesadi, Vasilis Skronias.

Rotarian Visitors: DG of Oklahoma Moush Tourian.

Guests: Guest Speaker Danae Stylianou, Christina Hadjiparaskeva and Evy Pantelides.

Attendance: Meeting average: 35% (17 members attended), yearly average: 52%.

<u>Communication of apologies</u>: You may forward your apologies at the e-mail address or mobile phone of Sec Loucas Vrionides or Sergeant at Arms Patrick Elston.

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

Before the commencement of the meeting, DG of Oklahoma District 5750 Moush Tourian distributed pins of his district.

AP Caterina Kalavas welcomed DG Moush and asked him to say a few words about his District and his new appointment. He said that his district has 39 clubs with 2000 members. He has already visited half of the clubs and in one month he will visit the other half.

DG Moush presented AP Caterina the bannerette of his district.

Acting President's Announcements

DGE Kevork Mahdessian is in Beirut attending the District Membership Seminar.

On Tuesday 20 Sept., our **Rotaract Club** celebrates its first birthday at Mondo. In a short ceremony, AP Caterina will hand in the cheque, with the proceeds that were jointly collected by our club and our Rotaractors as part of Goran Svensson's successful Motorbike Fund Raising Ride from Cyprus to Sweden, to the Alzheimer Day Care Center representatives. It is a fund raising event and members are urged to join.

Please follow the Link: http://followgoran.blogspot.com
to see Goran on TV and the Block in general with the last events and pictures.

This November, Santo Andrea Club of Brazil will plant 900 trees to reduce Carbon Footprint. It has been arranged that a tree shall be dedicated to our

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Club with a plaque at no cost. An e-mail will be sent to our club showing the certificate and tree number.

President's party on Friday 30th of September: Members attending should call Rtn Rena Papaioannou or P Katerina to inform on the number of persons attending and what food they will bring.

The "Cyprus Rotary 3rd Annual Conference and Assembly" will take place on the 22nd and 23rd October 2011 at the Forest Park Hotel in Platres. All members and especially the board should attend. Participants to submit to the president the registration form together with the payment (cheque to be issued in the name of our club) by 30 September 2011.

AP Caterina reminded everyone that the club dues have to be paid.

Speech/ Presentation

Speaker: Miss Danae Stylianou, director, producer and editor; member of the Famagusta Rotaract Club in Limassol.

IP Eleni Zapiti introduced the speaker.

Subject: The film "Sharing an Island"

A short trailer of the film was shown.

The summary

Danae said that this is a film that recalls reality. They chose six individuals out of 150 that had been interviewed, three Turkish Cypriots and three Greek Cypriots having no connection to political parties and with no contact with the other community. The idea was to bring these six people together and observe/study their reactions. There was a lot of positive thinking and acting during the five days of production.

It was very hard to find funding and the right team. The team turned out to be very good and there was also, a good bonding between the crew and the six actors. The funding came out of the "Engage – do your part for peace" program. The difficulties and problems found on the way where somehow solved. After her speech Danae answered a few questions. To a question raised, she answered that history is taught differently and we need to have a common history book.

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PP Michalis Avraam, president of the N.G.O. support center "Engage-Do your part for peace" program, said: Let's hope that this film will get the support of the media and the right promotion through the TV channels. The idea is to create opportunities for the people to discuss and see what is best for everybody, the country and democracy. Michalis thanked Danae very much for the opportunity her work gives.

AP Caterina said that Rotary in Cyprus does a lot to bring the two communities together and especially our club through the Dyslexia bi-communal project we did last year, a joint project with the RC Nicosia Sarayonou.

Finally, AP Caterina congratulated Danae for her work and thanked her while giving to her our club bannerette.

Forthcoming events

- **Sept. 30**th: President's party at her residence. It is a fundraising event at 25 Euros p.p. and the whole amount will go towards our community project, the buying of the TV sets for the hospital's orthopedic wards.
- **Sept. 30**th: Club's lunch meeting is cancelled.
- Oct. 7: The president of the Association of Owners of Immovable Property, Mr. George Strovolides, will speak on the new taxation that will be imposed.
- Oct. 13-15: Zone Institute, Cairo.
- Oct. 22-23: The Cyprus Rotary 3rd Annual Conference and Assembly, Forest Park Hotel in Platres.
- Oct. 31st: Club meets DG at 18.30.
- Oct. 31st: Clubs' joint dinner with DG.
- Nov. 17-19: Rotary Foundation Seminar, Dubai.
- May 17-20 2012: District Conference in Aqaba

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Birthdays and raffle winner

There were no birthdays to celebrate.

Rtn Loucas Vrionides won the raffle.





Meeting concluded at 14.35.

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