



# Rotary Club Of Nicosia Aspelia



## ΡΟΤΑΡΙΑΝΟΣ ΟΜΙΛΟΣ ΛΕΥΚΩΣΙΑΣ – ΑΣΠΕΛΙΑ

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### CLUB BULLETIN No. 7 – Thursday 27 September 2012

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#### Weekly Message

**The Aspelia Fellowship Spirit consists one of the main assets of our Club.**

**Regular meetings attendance is a way to preserve it.**

### Rotary 2012/2013 - Peace Through Service.



### Promoting peace

Peace and conflict prevention/resolution is one of Rotary's areas of focus. Since 2002, the Rotary Peace Centers program has been preparing future leaders to foster peace around the world.

[Watch a video](#)

See [four ways to promote peace](#)

Read about [promoting peace](#) in Rotary Voices

### 21 September International Day of Peace

It was established by a [United Nations](#) resolution in 1981 to coincide with the opening of the General Assembly. The first Peace Day was celebrated in September 1982.

In 2002 the General Assembly officially declared September 21 as the permanent date for the International Day of Peace. By creating the International Day of Peace, the UN devoted itself to worldwide peace and encouraged all of mankind to work in cooperation for this goal.

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## AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING – September 27, 2012

**Joint meeting with RC Nicosia in Othello room. DDG Fantinos Hadjimitsis is speaker.**

- 19.15 Arrivals – Drinks
- 19.30 Opening
  - Grace
  - Apologies of absence
  - Introduction of visitors
- 19.40 RC Nicosia Aspelia President's announcements
- 19.50 RC Nicosia VPresident's announcements
- 20.00 Speaker DDG Fantinos Hadjimitsis
- 20.15 Birthdays
- 20.25 Raffle
- 20.30 Meeting adjourn

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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING – 20 SEPTEMBER 2012

**Acting Sergeant at Arms:** Louisa Coudounaris

**Grace:** The grace was read by Areti Demosthenous

**Apologies for Absence:** PP Savvas Omorhos, PP Mariana Trokoudes, PP Alexandra Matsis, Nazo Davidian, Chistina Hadjiparaskeva and Patrick Elston.

**Rotarian Visitors and Guests:** Rtn George Moshonas, Ambassador Max Gevers (speaker), Ms Sasha Lerinaand and Garo Keheyann

**Attendance:** Courtesy of Rtn Amal el Khoury: Meeting average: 26% (13 members attended)  
Yearly average: 50 %

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*Communication of apologies: You may forward your apologies at the e-mail address of Sec Pia Ceder. Communication of make ups: You may forward your make ups at the e-mail address of Rtn Amal el Khoury*

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### **President's Announcements**

Last week contained both sad and happy news for our club. We lost our honorary Member PP Haig Bedrossian and the 1<sup>st</sup> scholarship will be dedicated on his name.

Nazo Davidian lost his mother. President Eleni expressed to both families her deepest condolences on behalf of Aspelia. Treasurer Walter Bopp accepts donations for both, for the Aspelia Scholarship Fund.

The happy new is that PP Lefkios Ioannides daughter Davinia gave birth to a boy. We wish PP Lefkios and his wife Nitsa happiness to the newborn and we congratulate the young parents.

Last Thursday the President's Party took place in the house of President Eleni and her husband. It was a joyful evening, excellent fellowship spirit prevailed and the attendance was very good. President Eleni thanked everybody and especially those who helped her. She also thanked Andreas Psaras of Makkas winery for sponsoring by 50% the excellent wine we enjoyed. The total amount raised was 1045 euro.

## Coming events:

### **Entrepreneurship:**

On Saturday 6 October Rotary Club Nicosia Aspelia organizes its second on a series of Entrepreneurships Seminars with the aim to open new horizons and inspire in finding new solutions in nowadays challenging business environment.

It is a rewarding experience so please encourage those who you think would get a benefit out of it, to attend. Information has already been sent by email, including an informative flyer and the agenda with the speakers.

For attendance please call Administration Director Amal el Koury 99559170 or you may find info at the Facebook: [www.facebook.com/groups/RCNAspelia/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/RCNAspelia/)  
Attendance fee: 20 euro (15 euro for the Rotaractors)

### **Next meeting**

On Thursday 27 September it will be a joint drinks meeting with the RC of Nicosia. DDG Fantinos Hadjimitsis will be visiting us to address the meeting.

### **Lets do it Cyprus**

Our Rotarctors are participating in the Pancyprian project of cleaning the whole island entitled "Lets do it Cyprus". It takes place on September 29<sup>th</sup> and they will be cleaning a specific plot in Nicosia. We congratulate them for this initiative.

### **RC Curium Limassol Fundraising Party**

President Stella Zavrou communicated about a beautiful Charity "1000+1 Nights" Party on October 6, 20.30, at Green Area Limassol. All earnings shall go to the project "Social Supermarket of the Municipality of Limassol".  
Tickets 40 € including Lebanese Buffet, a fun D.J, professional Belly Dancers' show and the show of 'ALICE in Flames'.  
Registrations to President Stalla Zavrou by the 24 Septetmber. Tel 99692010

### **Tickets for our mega fundraising event "Soprano Katerina Mina Concert"**

On November 12 our Concert with soprano Katerina Mina and Yiannis Hadjiloizou piano will take place at the Pallas Theatre.

Net proceeds will go the Aspelia Scholarship Fund which this year suffers due to the financial crisis as no interests are paid by the bank. We should all do our best to support this event not only to secure this year's scholarships but most importantly the continuation of this fund that dates back to 1998.

Blocks of 10 tickets are available from P Eleni or VP Louisa Coudounaris.  
Each ticket is only 20 euro and it promises unforgettable melodies followed by a reception.  
The event takes place at Pallas theatre that was offered to us free of charge by the Nicosia Municipality

We express our gratitude to Mr Yiorkadjis mayor of Nicosia as well as for putting the event under his auspices.

### **Speaker on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2012**

Mayor Constantinos Yiorkadjis will be our speaker during our meeting.

## Speaker

Service Director Marina Theodotou introduced the speaker who has a most interesting and important career both in diplomacy and in the financial sector. (CV attached)

Former Ambassador of Netherlands, Max Gevers gave an interesting and thorough speech about history in different perspectives. He referred to examples taken out of the global history and out of the historical timeline with focus on the 20<sup>th</sup> century. His speech is a food of thought for all us and urges us to reconsider where the political and financial decision makers are leading the human nature. A lively discussion followed including subjects like time, economy, religion and peace.



## Birthdays and Raffle winner

The birthdays of Rtn Nairy Der Arakelian-Merheje were celebrated and she was most convenient also the lucky raffle winner.



Meeting concluded at 20.30 pm



## PHOTO GALLERY FROM PRESIDENT'S PARTY 13 September 2012

President Eleni Zapiti and her husband Socratis held a most successful and joyful fundraising party in favor of the scholarship fund. The attendances of the members were high and many Rotaractors and guest made the evening even more memorable.



President Eleni welcomes all members and guest with a toast.



Dinner in the beautiful garden



Our honorary member  
PP Sotos, his wife  
Despo and PP  
Katerina enjoyed the  
evening.

Incoming President  
Loucas Vriodides and  
the host, Socratis Zapitis




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### Members News

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## ASPELIA CALENDAR, COMING EVENTS

Meetings at Hilton Hotel Nicosia Thursdays at 19.30  
Every other Thursday, dinner meeting and every other Thursday drinks only

<b>SEPTEMBER</b> (NEW GENERATIONS MONTH)	
3 Monday	Board meeting 18.00
4 Tuesday	DG Kevork Mahdessian meets the Aspelia Board. Dinner at Evochia for all members at 20:30
6 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>dinner</b> 19.30. <b>Speaker</b> P Evangelia Nicolaidou presents the Aspelia Rotaract Club Hand over of the <b>Aspelia Scholarships</b>
13 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>cancelled</b> . President's Party
20 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>dinner</b> 19.30 <b>SPEAKER</b> Former Ambassador of Netherlands, Max Gever: "Perspectives on history"
27 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>drinks</b> , Othello Room, 19.30. <b>SPEAKER</b> DDG Fantinos Hadjimitsis. Joint meeting with RC Nicosia.

<b>OCTOBER</b> (VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH)	
3 Wednesday	Board Meeting 18.00
4 Thursday	Regular meeting, <b>drinks</b> 19.30
6 Saturday	Entrepreneurship Vocational Project
11 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>dinner</b> 19.30. <b>SPEAKER</b> Mr Constantinos Georgatjis, Mayor of Nicosia
18 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>Cancelled</b>
19 Friday	Exhibition Tour at the Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation and Fellowship fundraising dinner 19:30 Joint event with RC Nicosia
25 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>dinner</b> 19.30. <b>SPEAKER</b> PDDG George Papaleontiou: Rotary Leadership

<b>NOVEMBER</b> (ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH)	
1 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>drinks</b> 19.30
7 Wednesday	Board Meeting 18.00
8 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>dinner</b> 19.30
12 Monday	Katerina Mina Concert Fundraising Event for the Aspelia Scholarships
15 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>drinks</b> 19.30
22 Thursday	Rotary Meeting, <b>dinner</b> 19.30
29 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>drinks</b> 19.30
30 November – 2 December	Peace Forum in Berlin, Germany; Peace without border

The programme is subject to changes

**Pia Ceder**  
**Secretary**  
**Rotary Club Nicosia - Aspelia**