



# Rotary Club Of Nicosia Aspelia



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## CLUB BULLETIN No. 16 – Thursday December 6, 2012

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### Weekly Message

**Cyprus District Conference, 4-7 April**  
Register up to 7 December for an early bird fee.

*All Aspelians are urged to register as a demonstration of support to our own Cypriot Conference and to our Aspelian DG Kevork Mahdessian*

## WORLD AIDS DAY – 1<sup>st</sup> December

**Rotarians For Family Health and AIDS Prevention** brings together Rotarians committed to fighting this disease and promoting family health. With disease prevention and treatment one of Rotary's six areas of focus, find out what you can do to help:



- [Visit the action group's website](#)
- [Learn about their upcoming Family Health Day](#)
- [Read a blog by the group's founder](#)
- [Read how a Rotarian is helping AIDS orphans in Uganda](#)

## AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING – DECEMBER 6, 2012 - CLUB ASSEMBLY

19.30 Arrivals

19.45 Grace and dinner / Announcements

- Apologies for absence
- Introduction of visitors
- Club Assembly
  - Announcement of the Incoming Board
- President's announcements
- Dessert and coffee
- Birthdays

20.25 Raffle

20.30 Close

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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING NOVEMBER 28, 2012

**Apologies for Absence:** PP's Elena Tanou and Andreas Lada

**Rotarian Visitors:** DDG Fantinos Hadjimitis, AG Dervish Baha, PDG Seppo Aho from Rovaniemi, Finland, Rotaractors VP Charis Michael and secretary Elena Aroti

**Attendance:** Courtesy of Rtn Amal el Khoury: Meeting average: 28% (14 members attended) Yearly average: 55%

*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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### **DDG Fantinos Hadjimitsis follow up visit**

President Eleni welcomed our guests and especially DDG Fantinos visiting Aspelia in order to share our projects and activities and also give advices.

President Eleni made an excellent presentation of our projects, internal work, economy and future plans with the help of a Power Point presentation and DDG Fantinos was very pleased and impressed. Aspelia got so much praise that all participating members felt really excited and ready to work even harder for Aspelia's success. DDG Fantinos had prepared his own power point presentation in order to give us advices but felt no need to show it after P Eleni's presentation.

The area where he did give some advices were in the New Vision and Strategic Plan. He told about the situation for Rotary in Cyprus right now, we face lack of interest, loss of members and apathy. This is an area where we should try to focus and try to make an effort.

He stressed on the importance of business meetings in order to finalise a strategic

plan for the next 4-5 years that will include involvement of all members and basic training.

#### DDG Fantinos announcements:

1<sup>st</sup> December Club Assembly and Rotary Foundation Seminar: He asked for attendance and he explained that there will be a voting on:

1.

Approval of last year's account

2.

To reconfirm the methodology for electing DDG by nomination

3.

To adopt a mega project proposed by Rtn Roger Baily, for Rotary clubs in Cyprus with the aim to promote the Rotary Image and to improve in general the PR practice. On this issue he asked for the valuable support of our PP Masis.

Furthermore he referred to the idea in cooperating with Schools' Parents Associations, in order to help providing lunches at schools for needy children.

#### Rotaractors Presentations

VP Charis Michael informed us about Rotaract Aspelias projects, now upcoming Christmas Bazaar on Stasikratous 16 December. All profits will go to food baskets for needy families.

**On 5 January** they are also organising a workshop and the proceeds will be donated to the Aspelia Scholarship Fund.

*We thank them and we much appreciate the existence of this mutual support.*

Secretary Elena Aroti informed about a joint project with Cairo Royal Rotaract club in Egypt

**El Hayz village**, outside Kairo, has a big need of money for electricity and suffers of lack of clean water and medical care. People work a whole year to secure the money for just 3 hours a day of electricity. They live under very difficult surviving conditions. The goal set is 12 000 USD. The fundraising event will take place at PP Era Michailidis house. Awarded chefs will cook and an auction will take place. Elena asked for help, in any way we can think of.

P Eleni reassured that the mother club will be there to support them in this ambitious project.

S Elena will forward the project information to P Eleni and to DDG Fantinos.

#### President's Announcements



##### Annual Christmas lunch on 15 December

The lunch will take place at Hilton Park Hotel. **Sweets, marmalade and other savouries are most welcome**, please contact Amal el Koury for more information. For Santa's Christmas secret gift bag we ask every member to **bring a small wrapped gift**, as we do every year. More information of the lunch will follow.

### Club Assembly

Next weeks meeting 6 December is the Club Assembly where IP Loucas Vrionides will present his board.

### Secret Santa

Friedrich and Amal are now finalizing the Secret Santa project. For everyone who wants to help bringing some food and happiness to needy families, quickly contact Friedrich or Amal, deadline is NOW! Vouchers for teenagers and food baskets will be the gifts this year.

### Board meeting 1 December

At P Elenis House 18:00-20:00

### Banner hand over

A banner was given to PDG Seppo Aho and he promised to send one from his own club, in Finland.

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### **Raffle winner**

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Meeting concluded at 20.30 pm.

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## **PHOTO GALLERY**

### **Dinner meeting 22 November with guest speaker Dr Stavros Zenios**



## Meeting 29 November with DDG Fantinos Hadjimitsis follow up visit



Banner exchange with PDG Seppo Aho under the supervision of DDG Fantinos

## P Elenis successful presentation



PP Caterina Kalavas won the raffle

## ASPELIA CALENDAR, COMING EVENTS

Meetings at Hilton Hotel Nicosia Thursdays at 19.30

<b>DECEMBER</b> (FAMILY MONTH)	
1 Saturday	Cyprus Rotary Foundation seminar. Elias Beach Hotel. 9.00
5 Wednesday	Board Meeting 18.00
6 Thursday	Club Assembly, <b>dinner</b> 19.30
13 Thursday	Regular Meeting. <b>Cancelled</b>
15 Saturday	Christmas lunch at Hilton Park
16 Sunday	Rotaract Aspelia's Stasikratou Christmas Bazaar
20 Thursday	Regular Meeting, <b>drinks</b> 19.30
20 Thursday	Rotaract Aspelia's Christmas Party at TBA 20:00
27 Thursday	<b>Meeting cancelled</b>

<b>JANUARY</b> (ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH)	
9 Wednesday	Board Meeting 18.00
10 Thursday	Regular meeting, dinner 19.30 and speaker
17 Thursday	Regular Meeting, drinks 19.30
24 Thursday	Regular meeting, dinner 19.30.
25 - 27 January	Peace Forum in Honolulu Hawaii; The Green Path to Peace
29 Tuesday	Card afternoon
31 Thursday	Regular Meeting, drinks 19.30

The programme is subject to changes

**Pia Ceder**  
**Secretary**  
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