



Rotary Club Of Nicosia Aspelia



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Weekly Message

December is Family Month

Let us all share this festive month with our families and think at the same time of those who may need our comfort and warm presence.

Rotarians call for “Peace Without Borders” during Berlin forum

More than 1,800 Rotarians, community leaders, and students and alumni of the Rotary Peace Centers program gathered in Berlin 30 November through 2 December to promote peace during the first of three Rotary Global Peace Forums.



“Peace is like bread. You have to bake it fresh every day,” said Luis Vicente Giay, past RI president, in convening the forum.

Two upcoming forums will be held in Honolulu, Hawaii, 25-27 January, and in Hiroshima, Japan, 17-18 May. Nobel Peace Prize laureate and Member of Parliament Aung San Suu Kyi of Myanmar will be the keynote speaker in Hawaii.

RI President Sakuji Tanaka selected the three sites for the peace forums because each was heavily affected by the events of World War II and now represents the healing power of sustainable peace between nations.

NEXT MEETING – DECEMBER 15, 2012 CHRISTMAS LUNCH!



Share the Christmas spirit together
with your family and friends at the
Aspelia Annual Christmas Party

Saturday, 15 December 2012, 13:00
at Hilton Park.

Enjoy a festive lunch, the Aspelia choir
and other surprises. You may also buy
your Christmas sweets.

Price: 25 euro, children up to 12 years
half price and up to 5 years free.

Call Amal el Koury for attendance: 99559170

MINUTES OF THE CLUB ASSEMBLY DECEMBER 6, 2012

Acting Sergeant at Arms: Christina Hadjiparaskeva.

Grace: The grace was read by PE Loucas Vrionides

Apologies for Absence: DG Kervork Mahdessian, AG Dervish Baha, PPs Masis der Parthoug, Andreas Ladas, Savvas Omorphos, and Rtms Stalo Papaionaou, Patrick Elston and Marina Theodotou.

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

CLUB ASSEMBLY

President Eleni welcomed everyone to this Club Assembly where PE Loucas Vrionides would present his board.

Treasurer Walter Bopp:

Walter informed us that that account for 2010 are now finalized and he has been promised 2011/2012 very soon.

Our big project, the Katerina Mina Concert has so far given us 4000€ in net proceeds to the Scholarship fund, and some more proceeds are expected.

President Eleni Zapiti, Aspelia Service Projects and Activities:

Secret Santa: Friedrich Vogel and Amal el Koury are now finalizing the project by preparing the baskets with the basic food for the 7 needy families and 26 gift vouchers for the teenagers living in foster homes. **A big thank to all those who kindly contributed to this community project. The proceeds reached 1000 euro.**

Fund rising Card afternoon: It will be arranged during the last week of January, at Bank of Cyprus Educational Centre at Latsia. Net proceeds: Scholarships Fund.

Kindermusic project: In collaboration with Aglantzia Municipality Kinder garden. Community chair Ioanna Kyprianidou will deliver a music program addressed for kids under the age of 6.



District Conference - Peace project, 6 April 2013: Aspelia will contribute with a peace project by inviting world known speaker Kai Jacobsen to deliver a speech on "*Service for Peace: A 21st Century Opportunity*".

In the afternoon of the same day, Kai Jacobsen will moderate a workshop on peace addressed to all Rotaractors. The workshop is organized with the Aspelia Rotaractors who also undertake its promotion.

Main coordinator: Service projects director, Marina Theodotou

Environmental project: Committee chair Manfred Lange will present a project on water use in Cyprus. The presentation will be delivered in one of our meetings and to other audiences too. We will try to have the support of the Cyprus Water board.

Cyprus Mega project: The Cord Blood project. During the Cyprus Assembly, on 1st December, all clubs in Cyprus have undertaken to contribute with 315€ for the purchase of a specialized medical equipment.

Incoming Board

PE Loucas Vrionides expressed that it is an honor for him to serve as President and he promised to do his very best and keep up the good work and the good reputation of Aspelia. He presented his board:

President	Loucas Vrionides
Immediate Past President	Eleni Zapiti
President Elect	Louisa Coudounaris
Vice President	Pia Ceder
Secretary	Nazo Davidian
Treasurer	Walter Bopp
Membership Director	Marina Theodotou
Service Projects Director	Nariry Merheje
Rotary Foundation Director	Manfred Lange
Public Relations Director	PP Masis Der Parthough
Club Administration Director	Ioanna Kyprianidou
New Generation Director	PP Caterina Kalavas
Sergeant at Arms	Friedrich Vogel

P Eleni congratulated PE Loucas and his board, wished him a fruitful Rotary service and on behalf of the current board promised to support him during his year.

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President 2012-2013: Eleni Zapiti, eleni.za@hotmail.com

Secretary: Pia Ceder, pia.ceder@nordicfinance.eu

Treasurer: Walter Bopp, walter.bopp@cytanet.com.cy

President-Elect: Loucas Vrionides: lvrionides@hotmail.com

President's announcements

December 7 is the last day for the "early bird fee" for registrations to the District Conference. All members that wish to give money and fill in registrations forms they may give them to our Treasurer Walter Bopp and he will distribute them to AGC Christina Covotsou Patroclou.

During Christmas days, Soprano Katerina Mina will be performing with Christmas and Cabaret music, at Academy 32, conductor Yiannis Hadjiloizou place, in Nicosia. More information will be sent to members who wish to listen to her.

Canceled meetings are 13 and 27 December 2012 and 3 January 2013.

Manfred Lange:

Manfred reminded us of the public lecture by Richard N Cooper, economist from Harvard University in USA. Tuesday 11 December 19:00 at bank of Cyprus Headquarters in Nicosia.

PAG Elena Tanou:

PAG Elena met the president of Thalassaemia Int, Mr Panos Englezos, and she was updated about the thalassaemia project developed in Albania, during her presidency. She suggested in inviting in one of our meetings, the person in charge in order to inform us how the project is proceeding and how our donations have helped.

She also attended Michael Virardi's book presentation by ex minister Makis Keravnos and she also suggested in inviting M. Virardi to speak about his new book entitled "Crisis needs crisis", meaning crisis needs judgment.
P Eleni thanked her and welcomed both proposals.

Forthcoming events

15 December, 13.00: *Aspelia's annual Christmas Party* at Hilton Park. Please bring small gifts for Santa's bag. Sweets to sell are most welcome. For attendance and coordination call Amal el Khoury.

16 December: *Rotaractor's Annual Christmas Bazaar* at Stasicratous Street. Let us all be there to support them.

17 December, 19.00: *Exhibition opening. Organized by RC of Kyrenia and Akis Philipides Gallery.* On behalf of the club P Eleni thanked PP Akis for always contributing with a donation to our Christmas party.

18 December, 17.00-20.00: *"ELIKAS" FOUNDATION* Cheese and wine at Yiota's Afxentiou residence. E-mail with details has already been forwarded on behalf of PP Sotos Demetriou, president of "Elikas".



Birthdays and Raffle winner



The birthday of Pia Ceder was celebrated

P Eleni won the raffle but after a new draw, Friedrich Vogel was the lucky winner.

Meeting concluded at 21.00 pm.

PHOTO GALLERY

Club Assembly, December 6:





Incoming President Loucas Vryonides and his board

ASPELIA CALENDAR, COMING EVENTS

Meetings at Hilton Hotel Nicosia Thursdays at 19.30

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

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

The programme is subject to changes

Pia Ceder
Secretary
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