

PΟΤΑΡΙΑΝΟΣ ΟΜΙΛΟΣ ΛΕΥΚΩΣΙΑΣ – ΑΣΠΕΛΙΑΣ District 2452 Club 31029

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CLUB BULLETIN No. 17, 5th of December, 2013

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Weekly message:

Service Projects Director Nairy Merheje has announced during our meeting a donation from her client of

€ 12,000

to our club

ROTARY FAMILY MONTH

December is Family Month in the Rotary calendar and it falls at a time of year when we are more conscious to focus on family reunions. It is a time to come together, either out of religious belief or simply tradition slowing down all of our accustomed activities. Ideally we should not isolate Rotary from our family life, but rather find ways of integrating the two. It is difficult for the family to be involved on a regular basis with our Rotary activities, however, there is a lot to be said for putting aside a day for some event that does involve all of the family. Some clubs have Christmas parties for the children while others make one of their regular meetings a family Christmas function.

AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING – Thursday 19th December, 2013 CLUB ASSEMBLY - DRINKS ONLY

19:30 Arrivals - Drinks

- Apologies for absence
- Introduction of visitors
- President's announcements

19:45 Club Assembly

- Approval of amended club bylaws
- Preparation for the DGs visit on 13/1/14
- Review Cyprus Rotary's questionnaire

20:25 Raffle and Birthdays

20:30 Close

MINUTES OF THE MEETING - 5th December, 2013

<u>Apologies for Absence</u>: PDG Kevork Mahdessian, PAG Nina Sadek, PAG Elena Tanou, PP Sotos Demetriou, PP Savvas Omorphos, PP Era Michaelides, PP Katerina Nicolaides, Petros Petrou, Farid Eghtesadi and Adonis Panagidis.

<u>Present From RC of Nicosia Aspelia</u>: P Loucas Vrionides, PP Andreas Ladas, PP Caterina Kalavas, PP Eleni Zapiti, PE Louisa Coudounaris, Nazo Davidian, Friedrich Vogel, Walter Bopp, Nairy Merheje, Ioanna Kyprianidou, Nitsa Kiliari, Patrick Elston, Vartan Tashdjian, Margarita Paraskevaidou and Ioannis Christofides.

Visiting Rotarian: AG Dervish Baha from Sarayonou RC.

Attendance from Rotary Club of Nicosia-Aspelia:

15 members of RC Nicosia-Aspelia attended the meeting (31%).

<u>Communication of apologies and make ups:</u> At the e-mail address of Director **Rtn Ioanna Kyprianidou**.

Assembly

Presentation of last year's accounts:

Treasurer Walter Bopp went over last year's accounts which look quite healthy.

Approval of the amended club bylaws:

Quorum was not formed so the approval of the amended bylaws has been postponed for December 19.

Presentation of Board of Directors 2014-15:

PE Louisa Coudounaris said that she is very happy to be a Rotarian and thanked all past presidents who gave her the opportunity to make her way up the hierarchy. She thanked our Treasurer Walter Bopp who had invited her to our club.

President 2013-2014: Loucas Vrionides, <u>Ivrionides@hotmail.com</u>

PE Louisa presented the members of her incoming board that will take over on July 1, 2014:

President Nominee Rtn Nazo Davidian,
Vice President Rtn Pia Ceder,
Secretary Rtn Friedrich Vogel,
Treasurer Rtn Walter Bopp,
Membership Director PAG Elena Tanou,
Service Projects Director Rtn Ioanna Kyprianidou,
Rotary Foundation Director PP Eleni Zapiti,
Public Relations Director Rtn Margarita Paraskevaidou,
Youth Director PP Caterina Kalavas,
Club Administration Director Rtn Ioannis Christofides,
Sergeant at Arms Rtn Patrick Elston.

Furthermore, PE Louisa has designated PAG Nina Sadek as Club Advisor and PP Marianna Trokoudes as Club Trainer.

PE Louisa thanked all who have accepted to be part of her incoming board during a difficult period due to the financial crisis and in particular Rtn Friedrich to be the secretary, as well as, the two new members Rtns Margarita and Ioannis.

President's Announcements

P Loucas said that he was very happy and thanked AG Dervish Baha for his presence.

The forthcoming events are the following:

- Saturday 14th December, Christmas Lunch Party at Cleopatra Hotel, 13:00. There will be a few but good lottery prizes, among other a return business class air ticket to London, and an auction including an oriental carpet, good paintings, lampshades etc. Homemade Xmas cakes and other traditional sweets prepared by our members and spouses will be available for sale. Used books, CDs and DVDs will be also offered at very low prices.
- Thursday 19th December, Club Assembly: Approval of club bylaws and Preparation for DG's visit and Review of the Cyprus Rotary's questionnaire.
- Thursday 26th December, no meeting.

P Loucas said that at the fellowship lunch on Friday 6th, members suggested we meet once a month for lunch as part of an ordinary meeting.

It has been agreed that P Loucas will call all members so we get everyone's opinion and decide fast.

All members who haven't filled and sent their Cyprus Rotary questionnaire to P Loucas should do so by Monday 16th. We should all have them filled by the next meeting, i.e. the club assembly and be ready for discussion.

Donation

During the meeting, Rtn Nairy Merheje very happy and excited took the floor to announce good news, that one of her clients has donated €12,000 to our club. Rtn Nairy declared that she wishes to give € 6,000 for the relief of the needy now during 3

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the Xmas holidays and € 6,000 to our Scholarship Fund. Rtn Nairy took this opportunity to express her thanks to Sec Nazo Davidian who had introduced her to Rotary Club Nicosia Aspelia and encouraged her to become a member.

Raffle and Birthdays

The meeting ended up with the raffle and the lucky number was presented by Friedrich Vogel.

There were no birthdays to celebrate.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER (Family Month)		
12 Thursday	Meeting cancelled	
14 Saturday	Christmas party lunch, Cleopatra Hotel, 13:00	
19 Thursday	Drinks Meeting - Club Assembly,18:30	
26 Thursday	Christmas holidays-Meeting cancelled	

JANUARY		
(Rotary Awareness Month)		
02 Thursday	Christmas holidays-Meeting cancelled	
09 Thursday	Drinks Meeting, 18:30	
13 Monday	DG's Official Visit, no more information is available	
16 Thursday	Drinks Meeting, 18:30	
23 Thursday	Drinks meeting – Speaker Rtn Nazo Davidian P TRF Director: The Presentation of the	
	Sotk Water Project in Armenia, 18:30	
23 Thu-24 Fri	The Rotary Foundation Seminar, Dubai	
30 Thursday	Drinks meeting - Speaker Xenia Loizidou: Spreading of Micro-plastics in the	
	Environment and its Consequences, 18:30	

March, 6 Thu-9 Sun	District RYLA, Lebanon
April, 3 Thu-6 Sun	1 st DISTRICT 2452 CONFERENCE, Beirut, Lebanon
April, 17 Thursday	Easter holidays-Meeting cancelled
June, 1 Sun-4 Wed	2014 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, Sydney, Australia

PHOTO GALLERY FOLLOWS

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FROM A VISIT AT BELLAPAIS TO ATTEND A CONCERT, September 21, 2013



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