

POTAPIANOΣ ΟΜΙΛΟΣ ΛΕΥΚΩΣΙΑΣ – ΑΣΠΕΛΙΑΣ District 2452 Club 31029

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Weekly message:

The Polio Fund raising Dinner in honour of our DG Jamil Mouawad at the Presidential Palace on Sunday 19th of January under the auspices of the President Mr Anastasiades was a great fund raising success. Rotary gave yet another opportunity to highlight its global leadership importance in humanitarian projects.

ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH

District leaders weigh in on Rotary's updated visual identity

The International Assembly offers a unique opportunity to hear what's on the minds of our district leaders. Here is what they had to say about Rotary's refreshed visual identity.

Read more

<u>Read more reactions to Rotary's updated visual identity on LinkedIn</u> <u>See examples of how clubs are putting our new look to work</u>

AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING – Thursday 30th of January, 2014

- Drinks only Meeting
- Joint with Rotaract Club Nicosia-Aspelia
- Induction of Rotaractors
- Speaker Xenia Loizidou: Spreading of micro-plastics in the environment and its consequences
- 19:15 Arrivals
- 19:30 Commencement
 - Apologies for absence
 - Introduction of visitors
 - President's announcements
 - R/act President's announcements
- 19.50 Induction of Rotaractors
- 20.00 Introduction of speaker
- 20:05 Speaker Ms. Xenia Loizidou: Micro-plastics in the environment and its consequences
- 20.25 Raffle
- 20.30 Close

MINUTES OF THE MEETING – 24thth of January, 2014

Apologies for Absence: Friedrich Vogel, Margarita Paraskevaidou, Amal El Khoury and Farid Mirbagheri.

Present from Rotary Club of Nicosia-Aspelia: P Loucas Vrionides, PDG Kevork Mahdessian, PAG Nina, Sadek, PAG Elena Tanou, PP Andreas Ladas, PP Marianna Trokoudes, PP Caterina Kalavas, PP Eleni Zapiti, PP Omorphos Savvas, PP Avraam Michalis, PP Sotos Demetriou, PE Louisa Coudounaris, Nazo Davidian, Bopp Walter, Pia Ceder, Vasilis Skronias, Nairy Merheje, Papakyriacou Annita, Christina Hadjiparaskeva, Ioanna Kyprianidou, Farid Eghtesade, Manfred Lange, Zannetos Louisa.

<u>Visiting Rotarians</u>: P Charis Papademetriou (RC Nicosia Ledra) and Leontios Hadjiparaskeva.

<u>Other Visitors</u>: Speaker George Papanastasiou (VTT Vasiliko Ltd), Maria Liggera Birkett, Antonis Petrou, Charalambos Petrides, Marios Roussis (VTT Vasiliko Ltd), Xenia Economidou (VTTV), Alain Merheje, Par Ceder and Evi Pantelides.

Attendance from Rotary Club of Nicosia-Aspelia: 28 members attended the meeting (58%).

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

<u>Grace</u> has been said by PP Andreas Ladas while Acting Sergeant at Arms Patrick Elston who, after an introductory note to welcoming guests, invited P Loucas to lead the meeting.

President's Announcements:

- P Loucas, also, welcomed our speaker Mr George Papanastasiou, P Charis Papademetriou (RC of Nicosia Ledra), PDG Kevork Mahdessian and guests..
- He informed that at the Presidential Palace Dinner in honour of our DG Jamil Mouawad Polio collection had successfully reached €6000 with a total collection of €18,000 thanks to a matching 2 to 1 participation by Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.
- P Loucas reminded that our next meeting will be a Drinks Meeting joint with our Rotaract Club, on Thursday 30th of January at 19:30, at the Hilton Cyprus Fontana and our speaker will be Mrs. Xenia Loizidou who will be speaking about "The spreading of micro-plastics in the environment and its harmful effects".
- Then he invited Rtn Nairy Merheje to introduce our speaker Mr George Papanastasiou.

Introduction of Speaker

Rtn Nairy said that she was very impressed hearing Mr Papanastasiou speaking in another occasion about the VTTV (Vital Tank Terminal at Vasiliko) and consequently she had decided to invite him to our Rotary club as she believed that all must hear his very interesting presentation of the Vasiliko Terminal. After Mr Papanastasiou graduated from Cyprus Higher Technical Institute in mechanical engineering, he continued his studies in London receiving successfully his BSC and MSC and worked as well in managerial positions in many large companies in UK and in Cyprus specialized in the oil industries while gathering valuable experience. He took part in the construction of the VTTV and gathered large experience in managing the construction of the past Terminal. Presently he is the managing director of the new project of the VTTV which is the most expensive project in Cyprus at a Cost of €300 million and the main contractor is J&P which will be entirely done with foreign capital. She then invited Mr Papanastasiou to take the stand.

Mr Papanastasiou thanked Rtn Nairy for her introduction and presented the VTTV project which is under advanced stage of construction.

Presentation

What's in it for Cyprus?

Economic:

- The only major infrastructure project currently investing in Cyprus with 100% equity funds.
- Creation for more than 500 jobs during construction stage and 40 full time jobs once operational by 2014.
- Additional job creation in service provision to support terminal and shipping

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activities.

• Substantial revenues for Cyprus, more than 10 million per year through port fee, dues etc.

Commercial:

- Import/export/transhipment of oil products from/to international markets making Cyprus a strategic energy hub.
- Trade with Eastern Mediterranean, Middle East and European markets.
- Partnership to provide storage options for the inland market and strategic stocks.
- Boost confidence for foreign investments and commercial activities in Cyprus markets.

Raffle and Birthdays

We celebrated the birthdays of PP Marianna Trokoudes and Rtn Nazo Davidian.

The lucky winner of the raffle was PP Michalis Avraam.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY			
(Rotary Awareness Month)			
02 Thursday	Christmas holidays-Meeting cancelled		
09 Thursday	Drinks only Meeting, 18:30		
16 Thursday	Meeting Cancelled		
17 Friday	DG's Official Visit to the Club, 16:45-18:15, Cleopatra Hotel		
19 Sunday	Dinner in Honor of DG, Presidential Palace, Polio fundraising, 20:30		
24 Friday	Lunch with speaker, Mr. George Papanastasiou, VTT Vasiliko Ltd: Oil Terminal		
	at Vasiliko, a project of €300 million invested in Cyprus, 13:15		
23 Thu-24 Fri	The Rotary Foundation Seminar, Dubai		
30 Thursday	Drinks Meeting – Joint with our Rotaract Club - Speaker Xenia Loizidou,		
	Director of the NGO AKTI Project and Research Centre: Spreading of micro-		
	plastics in the environment and its consequences, 19:30		

FEBRUARY		
(World understanding month)		
06 Thursday	Drinks meeting with finger food, Carlos Jimenez: Marine Biology, 19:30	
06 Thursday	Rotaract mid-year conference D2452, Lebanon	
13 Thursday	Drinks Meeting, speaker Rtn Nazo Davidian: Sotq WaterProject, 19:30	
14 Friday	Disco Night, Music of 70s & 80s, RC Nicosia will join, Chateau Status, 20:30	

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20 Thursday	Drinks Meeting, 19:30
28 Friday	Lunch, 13:15

March, 6 Thu-9 Sun	District RYLA, Lebanon
March, 28 Friday	Lunch, Speaker Karl Haddad, Director of 'World Vision' & 'Inter-Nations'
April, 3 Thu-6 Sun	1 st DISTRICT 2452 CONFERENCE, Beirut, Lebanon
April, 17 Thursday	Easter holidays-Meeting cancelled
May, 26 Mon-29 Thu	International RYLA, Sydney, Australia
June, 1 Sun-4 Wed	2014 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, Sydney





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