



Rotary Club Of Nicosia Aspelia



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Weekly message:

The deadline for Registrations to the
1st District Conference of our New 2452
District is Now the **20th of February**

(World understanding month)

PEACE FELLOWSHIPS

Are you looking to make a significant impact on the world by promoting tolerance and cooperation? Each year, Rotary funds some of the world's most dedicated and brightest professionals to study at our Rotary Peace Centers. These fellows are committed to the advancement of peace, and often go on to serve as leaders in national governments, NGOs, the military, law enforcement, and international organizations such as the United Nations and World Bank. These fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and all internship/field study expenses. Two types of peace fellowships are available:

We offer master's degree fellowships at premier universities in fields related to peace and conflict resolution and prevention. Programs last 15–24 months and require a practical internship of 2–3 months during the academic break. Each year we award up to 50 master's fellowships.

For those with more extensive experience in peace-related fields, we offer a 3-month program in peace and conflict resolution. This program incorporates 2–3 weeks of field study. We award up to 50 certificates each year.

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AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING – Thursday 20th of February, 2014

Drinks only Meeting

- 19:15 Arrivals
19:30 Commencement
- Apologies for absence
 - Introduction of visitors
 - President's announcements
- 20.25 Raffle and Birthdays
20.30 Close

MINUTES OF THE MEETING – 6th of February, 2014

Apologies for Absence:

Friedrich Vogel, Walter Bopp, Pia Ceder, Ioanna Kyprianidou and Amal El-Khoury.

Present from Rotary Club of Nicosia-Aspelia:

P Loucas Vrionides, IP Louisa Coudounaris, PP Caterina Kalavas, PP Eleni Zapiti, Nazo Davidian, Petros Petrou, Manfred Lange, Ioannis Christofides, Margarita Paraskevaidou and Adonis Panagidis.

Visiting Rotaractors:

There were no visitors.

Attendance from Rotary Club of Nicosia-Aspelia:

10 Rotarians, 20.8%.

Communication of apologies and make ups: At the e-mail address of Administration Director Rtn Ioanna Kyprianidou.

President's Announcements

- P Loucas welcomed all as well as the speaker Dr Carlos Jimenez from Costa Rica to talk about Corals in general and the Mediterranean Sea in particular.
- He informed that the Sotk Water Project, initiated in 2012 by our past Foundation Director Nazo Davidian during the presidency of Katerina Nicolaides and continued during the presidency of Eleni Zapiti, has been successfully completed and TRF confirmed that the file can be considered as closed. He stated that Rtn Nazo was present at the official opening ceremony and on the 28th of February he will be presenting the project of Sotk Village and also about his trip experience in Armenia.
- The Kindermusik Project has been also successfully completed by Rtn Ioanna Kyprianidou. This community project took place at the Aglantzia municipality kindergarten between January 13 and February 3. P Loucas and IP Louisa attended the final part of the last session.
- Today, Rtn Dr Manfred Lange has accomplished another environmental mission. He has delivered a presentation in front of 140 students at the Grammar School about "Scarcity of Water and How to Deal with it."

Rtn Manfred said that he would be happy to repeat his speech at another English speaking school.

- P Loucas said that a team of Scholarship Fund Trustees met yesterday with our adviser Dr Solomou, of the University of Nicosia, for the purpose of scrutinizing the scholarship applications made by students. A Trustees meeting will be held very soon to decide who will be the fortunate recipients.
- A donation of framed photos, remaining from the Photo exhibition organized by Rtn Nazo Davidian during PP Katerina Nicolaides' presidency, will be donated to the Rehabilitation Ward of the Athalassa Mental Health Hospital for the decoration of its newly renovated rooms.
- P Loucas reminded of our forthcoming events:
 - Next Thursday 13, meeting is cancelled.
 - Friday 14, Disco Night with DJ, at Chateau Status, at € 20 with open bar, hot finger food and cake.
 - Sunday 16, Three Rotaract Clubs, including ours, organize Karaoke Night, at €10; proceeds will go to the Oncological department of Makarios Hospital.
 - Thursday 20, Drinks meeting at 19:30 at Cyprus Hilton.
 - Friday 28, lunch with speaker Rtn (past TRF Director) Nazo Davidian who will be presenting the Sotk Water Project and his trip experience in Armenia.
 - April 3 -6, the 1st District Conference of D2452 in Beirut.
- On Friday, February 21, the RC Nicosia is celebrating its 75th Anniversary. They would like to see all Rotarians joining their big event at Hilton Ballroom A, at 20:30. The DG Jamil Mouawad will be present as well.

Introduction of Speaker

Rtn Manfred Lange introduced our speaker Dr Carlos Jimenez. He said that Dr Carlos Jimenez is from Costa Rica, a laureate and PHD graduate from Germany in Marine Biology specialized in Corals and the effects sustained by its environment. He, then, invited him for his presentation.

Presentation

Dr Jimenez said that since 2012 he is studying corals around the island of Cyprus which are negatively affected due to higher temperatures compared to other areas in the Mediterranean and that they are also endangered due to harmful fish from the Red sea feeding on Corals passing through the Suez Canal into the Mediterranean. Dr Jimenez said that Corals are little animals with big mouths and large stomachs. He confirmed the observation mentioned by Rtn Nazo that the Corals have spectacular reproductive cycles whereby entire groups of them in the region collectively once a year only, towards the end of June, when it is full moon, mysteriously and simultaneously, all at once, blow out their sperms and eggs perhaps in their hundred thousand from the depth of the sea, for the purpose of fertilization and reproduction which is nature's mysterious and miraculous way not only to replace the coral mortality rates with fresh ones but also to secure their survivability.

P Loucas thanked the speaker for his very interesting presentation and on behalf of our club offered him our banner.

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Raffle and Birthdays

The lucky winner of the raffle was PP Eleni Zapiti.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY (World understanding month)	
5 February	Board Meeting No.8, Altius Hotel, 18:00
6 February	Drinks meeting speaker Carlos Jimenez on Marine Biology, 19:30
6 Thursday	Rotaract mid-year conference D2452, Lebanon
13 Thursday	Meeting cancelled.
14 Friday	Disco Night, Music of 70s, 80s & 90s. RC Nicosia will join, Chateau Status, 20:30
20 Thursday	Drinks Meeting, 19:30
28 Friday	Lunch Meeting, speaker Past TRF Director Nazo Davidian: Sotk Water Project in partnership with RC Yerevan and his trip experience, 13:15

MARCH (Literacy month)	
5 March	Board Meeting No.9, Altius Hotel, 18:00
6 Thursday	Dinner meeting, guest speaker, Mr George Papageorgiou, COO of Neo, topic of discussion, “NEO and the BITCOIN,” 19:30
6 Thu-9 Sun	District RYLA, Lebanon
13 Thursday	Tour at the BOC Cultural Center: Geology in Cyprus , followed by fellowship dinner
20 Thursday	Drinks meeting, Club Assembly, 19:30
28 Friday	Lunch meeting, Guest speaker, Karl Haddad, Director of WORLDVISION and Internations, topic of discussion “Human conscious and fraternity in helping each other-Adding life to life,” 13:15

April, 3 Thu-6 Sun	1 st DISTRICT 2452 CONFERENCE, Beirut, Lebanon
April, 17 Thursday	Easter holidays-Meeting cancelled
May, 26 Mo-29 Thu	International RYLA, Sydney, Australia
June, 1 Sun-4 Wed	2014 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, Sydney

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