



Rotary Club Of Nicosia Aspelia



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Weekly message

Rotary, on Sunday February 23, has celebrated its 109th anniversary reminding us Rotary Awareness, World Understanding, Literacy, Magazine, Rotary Fellowship, Membership & Extensions, New Generations, Vocational Service, Rotary Foundation and Family Month.

World Understanding Month

The month of February is special in the Rotary calendar since it is designated World Understanding Month. The month also includes the anniversary of the first meeting of Rotary held on 23 February 1905, now designated World Understanding and Peace Day.

To observe this designated month, many clubs arrange international speakers, invite Youth Exchange students and international scholars from schools and universities to club meetings, plan programs featuring former Group Study Exchange team members, arrange discussions on global issues, present entertainment with an international cultural or artistic theme, and schedule other programs with an international emphasis.

World Understanding Month is a chance for every club to pause, plan and promote the Fourth Avenue of Service - Rotary's continued quest for goodwill, peace and understanding among people of the world.



AGENDA OF THE NEXT MEETING – Thursday 6th of March, 2014

Buffet Dinner Meeting

- 19:15 Arrivals
- 19:30 Commencement
 - Apologies for absence
 - President's announcements
- 20:00 Introduction of the Speaker
- 20:05 Speech by Mr George Papageorgiou, COO of Neo, "Bitcoin"
- 20.25 Raffle and Birthdays
- 20.30 Close

MINUTES OF THE MEETING – 28th of February, 2014

Apologies for Absence:

PDG Kevork Mahdessian, PP Sotos Demetriou, PAG Elena Tanou, PP Caterina Kalavas, PP Katerina Nicolaidis, Friedrich Vogel, Pia Ceder, Ioanna Kyprianidou and Farid Mirbagheri.

Present from Rotary Club of Nicosia-Aspelia:

P Loucas Vrionides, IP Louisa Coudounaris, PAG Nina Sadek, PP Andreas Ladas, PP Eleni Zapiti, PP Savvas Omorphos, Nazo Davidian, Manfred Lange, Patrick Elston, Amal El-Khoury, Walter Bopp, Carol Xenophontos and Vartan Tashdjian.

Guests:

Panicos Flourentzou.

Attendance from Rotary Club of Nicosia-Aspelia:

13 Rotarians, 27%.

Communication of apologies and make ups: At the e-mail address of Administration Director *Rtn Ioanna Kyprianidou* joankypr@spidernet.com.cy

President's Announcements

- Today, February 28, we are at the last day of World Understanding Month.
- Last week we had a very interesting discussion with Rtn Prof Farid Mirbagheri about the subject of the Human Rights.
- We have received an email from our DG Jamil Mouawad informing us that Clubs should recommend a Nominee for DG for the year of 2016-17.

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- We have also received a thank you letter from the TRF for our contribution of US \$200 to Polio Plus as part of our gift to DG during his visit to our club.
- On the 6th of March we will have dinner meeting with speaker Mr. George Papageorgiou who will speak about the “Bitcoin.”
- On the 13th of March we will have at 19:15 fellowship tour at the BOC Cultural Center that hosts the exhibition “Geology in Cyprus,” followed by fellowship dinner at 20:15 at Kathodon Tavern in the old City of Nicosia.
- On the 20th of March we will have Club Assembly to nominate the person who will represent our club in the District Conference.
- P Loucas, then, invited Rotarian Nazo to make his presentation.

Presentation

- Rtn Dr Nazo Davidian, (Past Foundation Director 2012-14) presented the Matching Grant # 76943 through a power point presentation, as well as, his visits to Rotary Club of Yerevan, Tatev village, the 1.100 years old Historic Monastery of Tatev and the “Stone Hedge” of Armenia. At Tatev, he offered his advice over the restoration of the elementary school.
- He began showing how the funds derived by the matching grant and he continued with the visit and the completion of the Sotk village Water Project with a detailed progress report. He, then, showed interesting photos of the opening ceremony and of the site so to have a visual experience of the project. He, also, showed photos of his visits to the above mentioned places and he concluded with some photos of Yerevan as it presents itself today.
- Lastly, there was a video presentation of his magnificent panoramic ride with the newly built cable car that avoids an almost one and a half hour dangerous narrow roads by car to reach the historic Tatev Monastery founded in the ninth century.

PP Eleni Zapiti, whose presidency was during the implementation of the project, thanked Rtn Nazo for conceiving, carrying out and completing it, as well as, for bearing twice the travel expenses to Armenia by himself.

Last, P Loucas thanked Rtn Nazo, as well.

Raffle and Birthdays

The lucky winner of the raffle was Rtn Carol Xenophontos.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH (Literacy Month)	
5 Wednesday	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
13 Thursday	Tour at the BOC Cultural Center (near Phaneromeni Church): Geology in Cyprus, 19:15; followed by fellowship dinner at Kathodon, 20:15
20 Thursday	Drinks ,meeting, Club Assembly, 19:30
22 Saturday	Cyprus RYLA, European University
28 Friday	Lunch meeting: Guest speaker, Karl Haddad, Manager at “World Vision,” topic of discussion “Human conscious and fraternity in helping each other-Adding life to life,” 13:15

APRIL (Magazine Month)	
3 Thursday	Drinks meeting, 19:30
3 Thu-6 Sun	1 st DISTRICT 2452 CONFERENCE, Beirut, Lebanon
8 Tue	The Interactors meet the Rotaractors to present their Tiganokinisis project.
10 Thursday	Drinks meeting, Speaker Rtn Farid Mirbagheri, Peace and Conflict Resolution, 19:30
17 Thursday	Easter holidays-Meeting cancelled
25 Friday	Lunch meeting, 13:15

May, 26 Mo-29 Thu	International RYLA, Sydney, Australia
June, 1 Sun-4 Wed	2014 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, Sydney





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