# **RC Nicosia-Aspelia Scholarship Foundation**

Scholarships for the Rotary Year 2013-14: This year nine scholars will receive in April a total of  $\in$  13.000.

#### Donation of € 4000 to the Cyprus Red Cross for the needy

Our club has allocated and delivered to the Cyprus Red Cross on the 18th of December 2013 a cheque of  $\notin 4.000$ , which is the cost of 82 large food boxes.



# Donation of € 2000 to needy families during Christmas

Our club, also, delivered € 2.000 in vouchers to help other 20 families.

#### Secret Santa

The Secret Santa Project was carried out this year as well. Club members and friends donated money. Members of our club, in a week before Xmas, visited three Youth Hostels in the Nicosia area, at Latsia, Aglantzia and Archangelos and distributed 25 vouchers of  $\in$  50 each as a Xmas present to all the teenagers.

# **Dinner with Music for Alzheimer**

This is an ongoing project of the Nicosia Aspelia and Nicosia Rotary Clubs in order to support the day care centers that were founded by the clubs in 2004/5. This year the project was in collaboration with the Rotaract clubs of Nicosia and Nicosia Aspelia. A fund raising dinner was organized in October 2013 in support of the two Nicosia Area "Day Care Centers" of Archangelos Michael in Aglantzia and Lythrodontas. The net proceeds of 1830 euro were handed to the Day Care Centers in the presence of the Rotary and Rotaract clubs.

# Water – Every Drop Counts

On February 6, 2014 Rtn Dr Manfred Lange delivered a presentation in front of 140 students at the Grammar School about "Scarcity of Water and How to Deal with it."

# Water Supply in a Third Country - The Sotk Water Project in Armenia

This **matching grant** project was undertaken as falling under the "Water and Sanitation" "Area of Focus" of the "The Rotary Foundation." The Sotk village is a poor village of mainly refugees.

Our club on the 30-4-12 undertook through The Rotary Foundation Matching Grant no. 76943 to fund the construction of a mountainous region reservoir to bring drinking water until a strategic location in Sotk village.

Our clubs contribution was \$ 3.000 while the total financing was \$ 19.728. The TRF Director for the years 2011-12 and 2012-13 Nazo Davidian initiated and followed the project through its completion. The project has been officially declared in February 2014 by the Rotary Foundation Grant Coordinator Mr. Dallas Witt as successfully completed and closed.



# Tiganokinisis - Collecting used cooked oil and selling it to be converted to biodiesel

The aims of the programme are:

- To inform, educate, and raise awareness within the student bodies, educators, parents and society in environmental issues
- To convert a harmful waste (cooking oil) into a useful product (biodiesel)
- The collaboration of the school units with the neighbourhood and society at large

• To improve the environmental "character" of their school

An oil container bin was placed in the school yard and the collection started in February 2014. The cooking oil is sold to a company to be converted to biodiesel. The proceeds will go to an environmental project which will be decided by the Interactors.



# Kindermusik – Community Project

RC Nicosia Aspelia initiated last Rotary Year an ongoing community/vocational project with the aim to enhance and support parents and children in offering an innovative way to educate and entertain their children.

The Mayor of Aglantzia Municipality supported this effort and offered Aspelia the opportunity to deliver this special programme at the Aglantzia Municipal Kindergarten.

The director of the kindergarten has perfectly collaborated with Rotarian Ioanna Kyprianidou who delivered the programme. Ioanna is a qualified musician and Licensed Kindermusik Educator.

It involves the learning of songs and rhythms, focusing to introduce the child to sound and reading. It uses instruments for the development of the eye-hand coordination and for the development of gross-motor skills, songs for the development of expression and improvement of children's vocal chords, acoustical exercises to enable the children to develop sequence skills as well as stories, imaginary playing and turn-taking.



# "Karakiozis" (Shadow Theatre) - Cultural Project

Karakiozis project will be run for the first time and is expected to be a success and become a yearly event.

The Rotary and Rotaract clubs of Nicosia Aspelia are organizing a join project on 31<sub>st</sub> of May 2014 at the Bank of Cyprus Cultural Centre. The aim of the project is to teach young children and the youth in general the Cyprus culture and Tradition. A number of 40 children will take part in a workshop that will help them prepare the figures of the traditional figure of "Karakiozis" and then a Video will be shown to all participants that will be around 100 the History of the Shadow Theatre and finally a play will be performed by a very gifted performer of Karakiozis. The event is supported by the Bank of Cyprus and the place is offered free of charge. The remaining cost which is minimal will be covered by the selling of tickets and by an application for funding to the Youth Organization through the Cyprus Government by our Rotaractors. The net proceeds of the event will be given to needy children through scholarships.