



SOW THE SEEDS OF LOVE

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TURKEY DAY

ALTAY CENGIZER



A career diplomat with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey since 1979, Minister Counselor Mr. Altay Cengizer is currently the Deputy Permanent Representative of Turkey to

the United Nations.

Born in 1954 in Istanbul, Mr. Cengizer is a graduate of TED Ankara College and Bosphorus University. He also holds a Master of Arts degree in International History from London School of Economics.

Mr. Cengizer's previous postings abroad include Kuwait, London and Brussels. In Brussels he served as political counselor at Turkey's Permanent Representation to the European Union at a time when the important Maastricht Summit was convened and Turkey completed the negotiations for the establishment of the Customs Union with the European Union. On his return from Brussels in 1994, Mr. Cengizer was appointed as Deputy Chief of Staff and Advisor on Foreign Affairs to the then President of the Republic of Turkey, Mr. Süleyman Demirel. After serving as Turkey's Consul General in Chicago between 1996 and 1998, Mr. Cengizer returned to Ankara to head the Department of Policy Planning at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. During this period he has also worked closely with the Prime Ministers Office. In 2000, he arrived in New York and a year later he assumed his present responsibilities as Deputy Chief of the Mission.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

December 3rd

Turkish Day

December 10th

Speaker TBA

December 17th

Holiday Party

December 24th

NO MEETING

December 31st

NO MEETING

Dear Friends,

Since Thanksgiving is approaching, I would like to take this opportunity to say a special "thank you" to each and every one of you who called, wrote, sent E-mails, left messages, gave contributions, came to the visitation, and gave me emotional support after my dear husband, Mel, passed away so suddenly.

As some of you, unfortunately, may already know, it is one of the most difficult times in life when you lose a spouse with whom you have had a long-term, loving, and supportive relationship. Supportive friends become even more important at this time.

In our roster, we list 18 reasons for joining Rotary. There is one benefit, especially, that seems to cover this situation:

FRIENDSHIP: In an increasingly complex world, Rotary provides one of the most basic human needs: friends and fellowship. It is one of the two reasons why Rotary began in 1905.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving. There is always much to be thankful for.
Yours in Rotary, Helen Reisler

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE
NO LUNCHEON MEETINGS ON
DECEMBER 24TH AND DECEMBER 31ST.**

TENNIS OUTING

Mort Eydenberg has arranged for a tennis outing at The Shelter Rock Tennis Club in Manhasset Long Island, for December 15, 2002, starting at 3 p.m. with a dinner to follow. The cost is \$100 per person. Tennis from 3-5 p.m., Italian buffet dinner from 5:30 p.m. on. Please make out the checks to the New York Rotary Foundation. For any questions you might have, call Mort at (212) 986-6410.

Reporter of the Week - Tuesday, November 26, 2002

After President Silvio introduced David Dingle and Scarlet Pildes, who led the members and guests in singing of the "The Star-Spangled Banner," Saul Anton reminded us, in the light of the holiday, of those people who are unfortunate. Francesco Fadda introduced the visiting Rotarians from two countries and from one state.

Foundation Day was led by Foundation Chairman Mort Eydenberg. Bill Currie presented the "Gift Of Life" program, which allows children from all over the world expensive life-saving heart surgery in the US. More than \$150,000 were contributed by the NY Rotary Foundation over the past 27 years. Bill encouraged the members not only to donate money to the foundation, but also to visit children in the hospital.

David Wankoff and Paul Schneiderman, M.D, then explained to the club the joint project with the Milano Aquileia (Italy) Club to fight the terrible skin disease Buruli Ulcer in Africa. The foundation gave \$5,000 to this project.

Silvan Barnet handed over a \$10,000 check to the Electronic Learning Center in Harlem, a 4-year-old project, supported from the beginning by our foundation.

Bernie Wytko introduced our guest, Nicholas Ruocco from the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and handed him a check of \$15,000 to support once more the Family Education Program, initiated by Rotary a few years ago.

Joe Groveman informed members and guests of the amounts received (\$1,477,219.80) and distributed (\$1,165,308) in the 9/11 Disaster Fund. More than \$ 1.2 Million were contributed by 1719 Clubs worldwide. Joe Groveman and Arcadio Casillas pointed out that a member should not reduce their donations to the foundation because of the amount of money raised for the 9/11 fund, because the two funds are separate, and the foundation needs the donations, in order to support all the different projects independent from 9/11.

Rotarian, Volker Detering

A MESSAGE FROM – FRATERNITE NOTRE DAME GIFTS FOR UNDER-PRIVILEGED CHILDREN



**PLEASE GIFT-WRAP AND LABEL WITH AGE AND GENDER. IT
WILL BE APPRECIATED IF THE GIFTS ARE FOR AGES
10 – 14. PLEASE BRING TO OUR HOLIDAY PARTY ON
DECEMBER 17TH.**

**THESE GIFTS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BY FELLOW ROTARIANS
AT THE FRATERNITE NOTRE DAME'S SOUP KITCHEN
CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR CHILDREN AND AT THE HARLEM
CHRISTMAS TREE.**

NOMINATING SLATE FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS 2003-2004

President- Greg Lynch
President Elect- Clarence Plummer
First Vice President – Bill Currie
Second Vice President – Jim Bryan
Treasurer- Giulia Iacobelli
Director 2006- Tim O'Brien
Director 2006- David Del Monte
Director 2006- Lillian Coury

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Joachim Bartels –December 3
Mozart Ishizuka- December 8
Bernhard Fabricius- December 12



MEMBERSHIP PROPOSALS

The Board of Directors has approved the following applicant. Any written objections must be received at the Club office by December 3, 2002.

Romeo Cella Senior Vice President & General Manager
Company: Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena S.P.A.
Classification: International Banking / Italy
Sponsors: Silvio Amori
Lou DiPaolo

*\ Tis The Season
To Remember The Kids*



Many kids in poor neighborhoods right around the corner or accross the world won't be expecting much this Holiday. Whether they know it or not, their folks have no jobs and little to live on. They'll be lucky to have warm clothes, a square meal and a roof over their heads, as the family gathers around to remember the stories of the old and to give praise.

*This year has been a challenging one for so many. Don't let 's make that an excuse no to give!
This Holiday, dig a little deeper.
Help every kid share in the magic!*

*Yes, I want to help the Rotary Club of New York make this holiday one to remember for special kids around the World!
Enclosed is my contribution to Rotary in the amount of*

*\$250____; \$100.00____; \$50.00____; \$25.00____;
\$____(your choice).*

***Please be generous.**
Please make your check payable to:
"Rotary Foundation of New York"
Please send us your contribution today.
This Holiday, make a difference to those in need.
Light up the Hearts of some good kids.*