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## **Educational Support Programmes Reach New Milestone**

The Kalaydjian Foundation's various programmes aimed at providing support for secondary education and enabling Armenian Cypriots students to continue their studies at universities both in Cyprus and abroad reached a major milestone in 2016. With a record number of applications for the Foundation's 'University Grants' programme last year, the Foundation has now provided more than €150,000 in financial aid since 2009, when the 'Support for Education' programme was first launched.



For more information on our various educational support programmes, please contact the Kalaydjian Foundation.

The 'University Grants' programme is in memory of Arousiak and Alice Rafaelian in recognition of their major contribution to the Kalaydjian Foundation.



In 2015 the Kalaydjian Foundation also announced its new collaboration with UCLan Cyprus, whereby it offers scholarships to Armenian Cypriot students covering 55% of their annual tuition fee. To be eligible to apply, the candidates must be graduates of the Narek elementary schools and satisfy UCLan Cyprus' entry requirement criteria.

Two Armenian Cypriot students currently benefitting from this programme are close to graduation, while beneficiaries of the Foundation's other programmes are continuing their studies at universities in Armenia, England, Scotland, Germany, and of course Cyprus.



### **New Board Member and Rest Home Manager**

The Kalaydjian Foundation is pleased to announce that in 2016 a seventh member joined its Management Committee. Mr. Jaco Karaoghlanian was born in Nicosia in 1986 and is a graduate of the English School. He completed his higher education at City University in London, England, and is currently an entrepreneur managing several successful businesses. He is the grandson of Anahid Kalaydjian Terzian, elder sister of the Foundation's two founders. He has been active in Armenian community affairs from a young age and the Kalaydjian Foundation looks forward to his involvement and contribution to its multidimensional activities and its philanthropic work.

The Foundation's Board of Directors now consists of Roupen Kalaydjian, Dikran Kalaydjian, Gregory Kupelian, Armenag Shahabian, Vasken Shadarevian, Haig Der Nishanian and Jaco Karaoghlanian.

In 2016 the Kalaydjian Rest Home for the Elderly also brought on board a new Manager to work alongside the Foundation's senior administrator Mr. Hagop Kasparian. Mrs. Elena Andreou is a qualified social worker with both undergraduate and postgraduate degrees in social care from Frederick University. Mrs. Andreou is a valuable addition to the Kalaydjian Rest Home family, whose positive impact has already been felt in numerous ways, not least the enriched monthly programme of activities and events which the Home now offers to its residents.

For regular updates on our work, follow us on Facebook.



Jaco Karaoghlanian



Elena Andreou



Hagop Kasparian

### **Acknowledgements**

The Kalaydjian Foundation gratefully acknowledges the support it receives from various donors and donor organisations and hereby expresses its sincere gratitude to all those who believe in its work and who have assisted it in its charitable mission. Donations to the Foundation can be made through its website (www.kalaydjianfoundation.org).

The Kalaydjian Foundation is registered in the Republic of Cyprus as a philanthropic organisation (Registration No. 41) and as such all donations to it are tax-deductible.

# The Founders Of The Kalaydjian Foundation



Aram Kalaydjian 1936 - 1995

Bedros Kalaydjian 1934 - 2005

### **The Grand Benefactors**

The Kalaydjian Foundation's Grand Benefactors are Arousiak and Alice Rafaelian and Arto Matossian.







### **Commemorative Concert in Larnaca**

### On The Occasion Of The 101St Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide

Last year, on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of April, a commemorative concert was held in Larnaca in memory of the victims and survivors of the Armenian Genocide of 1915-1923.

Over 200 people honoured the event with their presence and heard moving speeches and a plethora of songs performed in different languages by members of Silva Makamian's "Angelic Voices" choir. The event took place in the imposing square of the Armenian Genocide Memorial in Larnaca, the monument that marks the spot where survivors of the "Metz Yeghern" first landed in Cyprus a century ago.

MEP Eleni Theocharous, in an impassioned speech, spoke of her impressions of the Armenian Genocide Museum-Institute in Yerevan and the esteem and respect she feels towards the Armenian people, as she appealed to the civilised world to demand that Turkey end its policy of denial of the genocide and lift its blockade of Armenia.

The event was organised by Mrs. Natalie Kalaydjian, Mrs. Silva Makamian and Mrs. Vera Yenchinova, and was sponsored by the Kalaydjian Foundation.



The "Angelic Voices" choir



Pianist Naira Kevorkian with Yuri Melikov





Maria Moskofian

Silva Makamian

Alex Moskofian



MEP Eleni Theocharous Mrs. Vera Tahmazian

### **Enriched Programme At The Kalaydjian Rest Home**

Since last summer, the management team at the Kalaydjian Rest Home has been making concerted efforts to enrich the monthly programme of activities and events at the Home in order to engage its residents more effectively and improve their quality of life.

The new programme now includes regular free hair care and hair styling, courtesy of the students of Technical School B, through a collaboration initiative between the school and the Kalaydjian Foundation.

Also available is specialised physiotherapy offered by physiotherapist Nicolina Papageorgiou.

Once a month the Rest Home staff organise an arts and crafts day, giving the residents the chance to be creative and make personalised objects such as candle holders.

Similarly, on a monthly basis our residents spend a morning preparing and baking their own biscuits, an activity that ensures they feel active and productive. Other days are set aside for music, singing and book reading.

The Kalaydjian Rest Home's residents have also received free dental care thanks to the Dental Clinic of Dr. Maria Papayianni-Kryfti.

Additionally, numerous visitors to the Home have contributed to the residents' welfare in various ways. Amongst our visitors last year were the ladies of the AGBU Nicosia Chapter who brought delicious snacks and delicacies for the residents' enjoyment.

And lastly, regular religious services are conducted in the chapel of the Rest Home. The Kalaydjian Foundation is very grateful to the Armenian Prelature of Cyprus for its significant support.







