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The Consulate of Canada in Thessaloniki, in cooperation with the Hellenic Canadian Friendship Association, would like to invite you to a Consular Information Event

THE TRADITIONAL VASILOPITA CUTTING WILL FOLLOW

On Monday, February 5th 2018, at the  
LE PALACE ART HOTEL (12, Tsimiski street)  
at 18.00

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The Counsellor (Administration) & Consul, Mr. Stephen El Azab, and the Consular staff of the Embassy of Canada in the Hellenic Republic, will hold an open information session for the Canadian citizens who reside in Thessaloniki and the rest of Northern Greece. A general presentation on the main consular services will first take place and then specific questions will be answered.

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Entrance is free and no reservation is required.ÂÂÂÂÂ Looking forward to your participation!

For information, you may contact the Consulate of Canada in Thessaloniki at 2310-256350

*UPDATE: A terrific success - if one more person had come, there would not have been enough chairs for everyone who attended Thessaloniki's Consular Information Session & Vasilopita Cutting at Le Palace Art Hotel on February 5! The Consulate of Canada in Thessaloniki - Consul Pantelis Petmezas and consular staff Elina Zerva - in cooperation with the Hellenic Canadian Friendship Association, hosted Counsellor (Administration) & Consul of the Embassy of Canada in the Hellenic Republic, Stephen El Azab, and Consular staff, Areti Velissariou & Angela Loisos, who gave a information-packed presentation about consular services, followed by a lively Q & A. (The most popular subjects revolved around pension and Old Age Security issues.)*

*Afterwards, Consul Petmezas and Kathryn Lukey-Coutsocostas (Hellenic Canadian Friendship Association Coordinator) cut the vasilopita. The Canadian embassy in Greece represents Canadian interests in both Greece & Cyprus, and the two countries jointly won the lucky 'flouri' for 2018. As for the individual vasilopitas, the grand winner was..... Coordinator Kathryn Lukey-Coutsocostas! While she kept the 2018 medallion, she subsequently gave away two bottles of maple syrup as spur-of-the-moment door prizes.*

*The Hellenic Canadian Friendship Association would like to thank:*

**FELLOW COLLABORATORS:** *the Canadian embassy and Consulate of Thessaloniki (goodwill and cooperation)*

**VENUE:** *Le Palace Art Hotel (good price and service)*

**PHOTOS:** *Vasilios Karpathios (good price)*

**VASILOPITA/DOOR PRIZES:** *the Canadian embassy (2 bottles of maple syrup) and Consulate of Thessaloniki (2018 medallion)*

**VOLUNTEERS:** *photos (Johnangel Voyager), door prize distribution team (Konstantina Irgi, Sofia Kritikaki-Irgi, and Alexandra Tseli-Irgi), clean up (Maria Stefanidou).*

Email [friendsofcanada.greece@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofcanada.greece@gmail.com) if you would like a copy of the embassy Powerpoint, Subject: Request embassy Powerpoint

## **EVENT PHOTOS**

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*Thanks to Kathryn Lukey-Coutsocostas, Vasilios Karpathios and Johnangel Voyager for taking the photos!*