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CANADA DAY - at the official Canadian Residence

To mark the occasion of Canada Day
Ambassador Robert Peck and Maria Pantazi-Peck
invite the Friends of Canada network
to the Official Canadian Residence
for an informal charity celebration
**IN SUPPORT OF THE CHRONIC CARE
HOSPICE 'ASILON ANIATON'**

When: Friday, July 3, 2015

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Time: 19:00 – 22:00

Where: Official Canadian Residence, Athens

Guests: All nations welcome

Entrance: Suggested donation for 'Asilon Aniaton':

10 euro each for

a hamburger, salad, dessert and a drink

Dress: BBQ casual

RSVP: REQUIRED, limited spots – so email your name/mobile phone number/full names of your guests to [\[email protected\]](#) ASAP – deadline Friday, June 26 (Note:

Entrance requires pre-registration/ID)

Seating: No pre-booking of tables, so informal first-come-first-served/seated

Organisers: The Embassy of Canada in participation with Friends of Canada

Many surprises promised!

UPDATE: To mark the occasion of Canada Day, Ambassador Robert Peck and Maria Pantazi-Peck invited the Friends of Canada network to the Official Canadian Residence in Athens for an informal charity celebration in support of the chronic care hospice 'Asilon Aniaton'. More than 200 guests enjoyed the hamburgers – including those expertly grilled by Ambassador Peck – as well as the potato salad, drinks, and Canada Cakes. Other surprises included: free door prizes, a raffle, a rummage sale, a DIY Canadian Photo Booth, a magician, gorgeous models serving beer and Canadian oldies-but-goodies music.

The mood dampened when it was time to say 'goodbye' to the ambassadorial couple

(Ambassador Peck will be replaced by Ambassador Keith Morrill in October), as Friends of Canada coordinator, Kathryn Lukey-Coutsocostas, presented them with a farewell gift.

But everyone left on a high note because approximately 5,000 euros – including a donation of 2,000 euro from Eldorado Gold – was raised for the 'Asilon Aniaton'.

Friends of Canada –with the Canadian embassy - wish to thank (in alphabetical order):

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RAFFLE PRIZE DONORS, alphabetically:

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- Buffet dinner for two at the Byzantino restaurant at the Athens Hilton
- Lunch for two persons at the Estiatorio MILOS at the Athens Hilton
- Manicure and pedicure at Hair Salon Beautique
- Overnight stay with breakfast for two persons at the Grande Bretagne Hotel
- Overnight stay with breakfast for two persons at the King George Hotel
- Shampoo, therapy, cut and blow dry at Hair Salon Beautique (by Salon Art Director Konstantinos Sklavenitis)
- Yolenis' Mediterranean food basket

DOOR PRIZE DONORS, alphabetically:

- A biomagnetic rehabilitation session for beauty and health with PAP-IMI therapy (5) – Karabatsou Clinic – <https://www.facebook.com/natasa.kara.796?fref=ts>
- A bottle of Canadian blueberry wine (2) – Euroear Hearing Aids – www.euroear.eu
- A bottle of Canadian ice wine – Euroear Hearing Aids – www.euroear.eu
- A bottle of fine white wine "Petit Chablis" (5) – BON APPETIT – <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Bon-Appetit/643993322412307?ref=hl>
- A bottle of maple syrup (2) – Euroear Hearing Aids – www.euroear.eu
- Canadian grab bag (13) – Canadian embassy – www.athens.gc.ca
- Canadian passport cases (4) – Canadian embassy – www.athens.gc.ca
- Dinner for two – Neo Elleniko restaurant – <http://www.athinorama.gr/restaurants/data/places/?id=5004071>
- A one-year directory listing & three-month banner on XpatAthens.com – XpatAthens.com – www.xpatathens.com
- A one-year subscription to the print version of Athens Insider (10) – --Athens Insider – www.insider-magazine.gr
- A pot of Foie Gras (5) – BON APPETIT – <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Bon-Appetit/643993322412307?ref=hl>
- A scale and polish treatment (2) – Skourasdent dental clinic – www.skourasdent.gr
- A sixty-minute massage therapy session (3) – Fokas Wellness Centre – <http://fokaswellness.com/>
- A smile-design consultation on teeth alignment & a whitening treatment – Skourasdent dental clinic – www.skourasdent.gr
- A three-night stay for two at the Paradise Hotel, Alonissos (during September, 2015) – Paradise hotel, Alonissos – www.paradise-hotel.gr
- Two tickets to see Eleftheria Arvanitaki on July 15th at the Veakeio Theatre – Bill Vardas Property Manager – <http://www.bvpm.gr/>
- A Yves Rocher facial (10) – Yves Rocher, Greece – www.yvesrocher.gr

FAREWELL GIFT DONOR:

- A 'Dance your dreams' print – Artist Lila Koufopoulou – <https://www.facebook.com/lila.koufopo>

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VOLUNTEERS FROM:

Canadian embassy; Asilon Aniaton; IIEK Etoile by Les Chefs; Broil King; Αθηναϊκή Ζυθοποιία – Athenian Brewery: Amstel – Heineken – ΑΛΦΑ; Friends of Canada

An especially warm ‘thanks’ goes to the many, many Friends of Canada volunteers (in alphabetical order – and pls forgive us if someone has been overlooked...):

Antonakaki, Rosa; Athanasiadis, Odysefs; Athanassiadis, Elizabeth (who also brought several ‘Canadian flag’ toothpicks from Canada!); Coutsocostas, John; Drakoulis, Isabelle; Emm anuel, Nick; Florou, Anna; Galinos, George; Gotzou, Joanna; Heliotis, Angela; Jecchinis, Philippa; Kaltsiki, Fran; Kyriazopoulou, Eirini; Lefakis, Dawn; Lefakis, Marlie; Lynn, Ava Marie; Mela, Christine; Mourelatos, Evangeline Litsa; Palaiologopoulou, Archontoula; Papadakos, Patty; Papazafiropoulou, Lena; Pappas, Stefanos; Pel, Alexandra (whom you all ‘met’ via RSVP); Pel, Leonidas; Picone, Sarina; Psyllakis, Michael; Rolland-Aqbarawi, Marie-Therese; Simon-Papaspyridis, Francoise; Spyratos, Maria; Voutsogiannakis, Anthony; Vrontos, Kostas; Zitouniatis, Dimos (AKA Big Ben the Magician)

YOU CAN DOWNLOAD YOUR DIY PHOTO BOOTH SHOTS at <https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.1006346276095393.1073741853.108219675908062&type=3&uploaded=149>

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Thanks to Friends of Canada volunteer DIY Booth photographer Dawn Lefakis!