

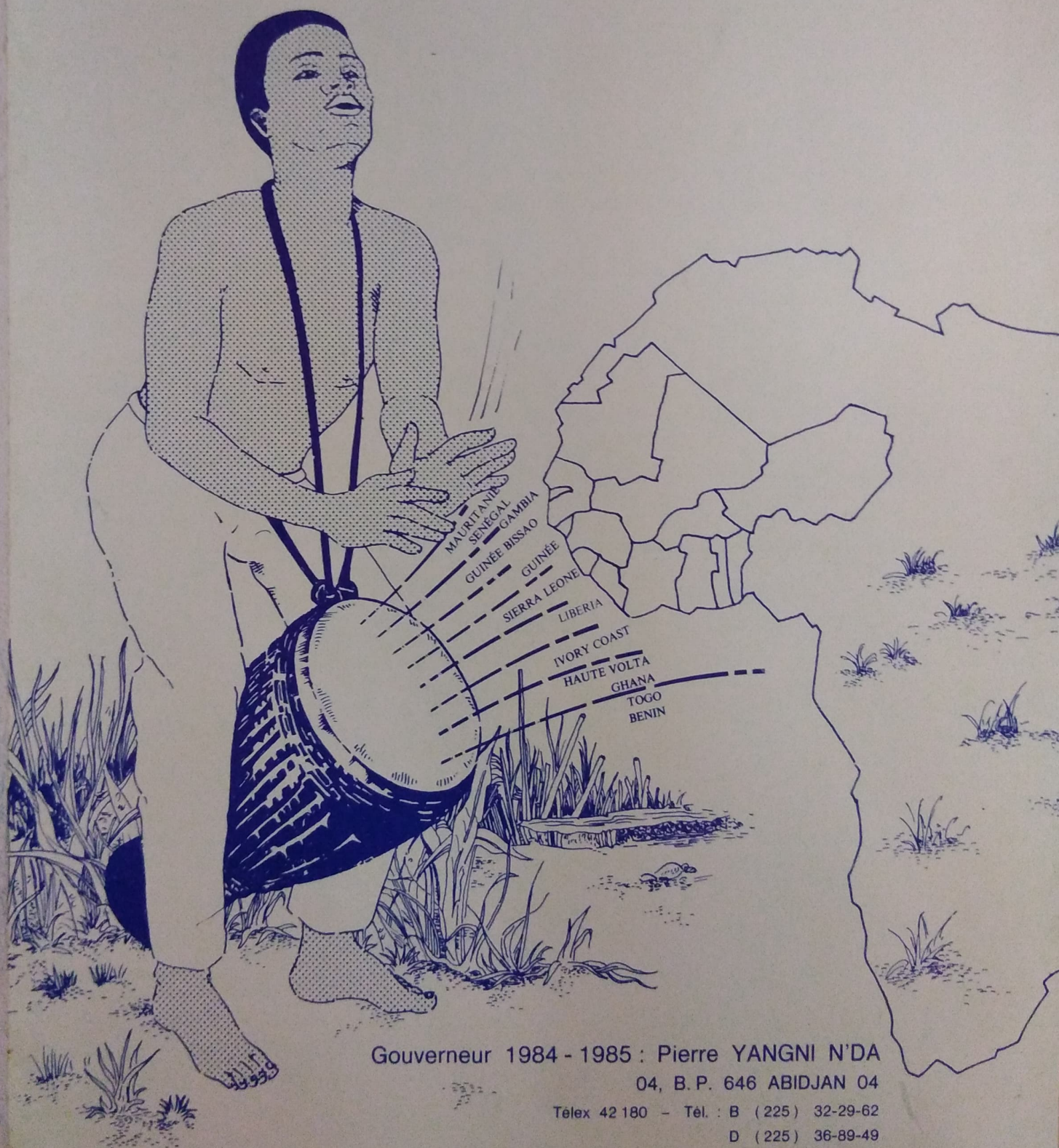
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910^{eme} District

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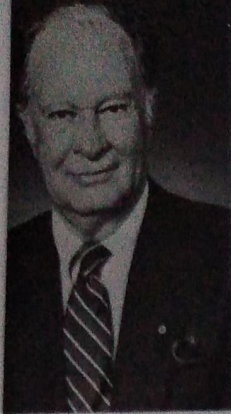


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DISTRICT 910 th

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE DISTRICT

and place of creation 1973 LOME (Togo)
 date of implementation July 1982
 date of creation at 01/06/1984 Benin, Ivory Coast, Gambia, Ghana, Upper Volta, Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo
 number of members at 01/06/1984 1114
 number of clubs 27

<u>Benin</u>	1	<u>Ghana</u>	6	<u>Mali</u>	1
Cotonou		Accra		Bamako	
		Accra west			
<u>Ivory Coast</u>	8	Kumassi		<u>Mauritanie</u>	1
Abidjan		Sekondi-Takoradi		Nouakchott	
Abidjan Cocody		Tamale			
Abidjan Lagunes		Tema		<u>Niger</u>	1
Abidjan Riviera				Niamey	
Agboville		<u>Upper Volta</u>	1		
Bouake		Ouagadougou		<u>Senegal</u>	3
San Pedro				Dakar	
Yamousso		<u>Liberia</u>	2	Dakar Alizés	
		Monrovia		Ziguinchor	
<u>Gambia</u>	1	Nimba			
Banjul				<u>Sierra Leone</u>	1
				Freetown	
				<u>Togo</u>	1
				Lome	

Rotaract Clubs : Accra, Abidjan, Freetown, Kumassi

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1985 has been designated the Year of Youth by the United Nations and all our countries will pay particular attention to youth, recognising its importance for the future of the world. Rotary International has understood since a long time that its future development depends on the children of today and for this reason is particularly attentive to the problems of youth.

First, for Rotary International it is better to do than to say. Rotary International has therefore adopted the slogan "Each Rotarian must be an example to the young". In this way Rotary International encourages all its members to behave honestly in their family, social and professional lives. They must have high moral standards and be able to attract the admiration of the young, a model on which they can base themselves to build a better world in which success depends on hard work and honesty.

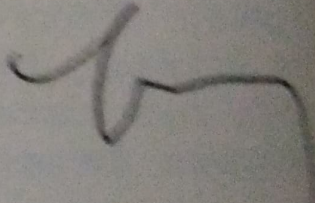
Rotary International has several programmes aimed at youth. These programmes are principally concerned with training:

- bursaries of all types which permit young people to travel and to study abroad outside their own countries;
- study group exchanges which permit groups of young people in business, or in the free professions, to travel outside their countries for up to six weeks to meet their contemporaries to learn to know and understand them, their customs and their culture;
- interact clubs, to bring together young people between sixteen and eighteen years of age;
- roteract clubs, which bring together young people between eighteen and thirty two;
- initiative programmes, to develop the qualities of young people as leaders and good citizens. These programmes can be achieved in the form of seminars or as training camps, including educational and recreational activities;
- youth exchange between the ages of fifteen and nineteen for periods of up to one year of studies or for the school holidays. These exchanges would take place at district level, who would be responsible to select the candidates and the families which would receive them.

This list is not exhaustive and may be added to by projects developed at club level. We could consider projects in the area of the fight against juvenile delinquency and drug abuse and also helping to care for sick children in hospitals.

Some clubs have developed projects in favour of youth in preference to other public service projects in their areas. This year devoted to youth, I would ask all clubs to organize their programmes to include talks on projects in favour of youth and to develop a principal project in addition to their usual programme.

Finally, I would ask all clubs to seek to recruit new members, particularly amongst young people who have the qualities and the availability to be Rotary members. Our President Carlos Canseco first became a member of Rotary as a young doctor, not yet thirty years old. Let us try to repeat this example.



P. YANGNI N° 28

MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE REPORT

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... **GOUVERNEUR 1984/85**
... **R.P. 646**

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List Alphabetically All Clubs in District	Total Mem. as of last meeting of month	Avg. % Attendance for month	No. of Meetings held
1. ABIDJAN	65	90	4
2. ABIDJAN COCODY	61	78	4
3. ABIDJAN LAGUNES	22	54	4
4. ABIDJAN RIVIERA	40	60	4
5. ACCRA	50	77,0	4
6. ACCRA WEST	44	73,6	5
7. AGBOVILLE	19	85	4
8. BAMAKO	36	70,82	4
9. BANTUL	30	71,41	5
10. BOUAKE	49	92,96	4
11. COTONOU	64	50,4	4
12. DAKAR	32	66,07	4
13. DAKAR ALIZES	65	64,3	5
14. FREETOWN	36	78	4
15. KUMASSI	40	56,25	4
16. LOME	34	58,82	5
17. MONROVIA	27	61,7	6
18. NIAMEY	28	64,28	4
19. NIMBA	36	77,8	4
20. OUAGADOUGOU	24	93	4
21. SAN PEDRO	21	63,09	4
22. SEKONDI/TAKORADI	21	67,62	5
23. TAMALE	26	66,35	4
24. TEMA	25	73	3
25. YAMOUSSOUKRO	24	50,00	4
26. ZIGUINCHOR			
27. KOFORIDUA			
28. GAGNOA			
29. DAKAR SOLEIL			
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Total	919		

IN MEMORIAM

I regret to inform you the death of :

- *KOUAMELAN Marcel, Past President R.C AGBOVILLE on February 10th 1985*
- *Mrs. SANGARET, Past Governor Georges SANGARET 's mother on February 19th, 1985*

APPOINTMENT COMMISSION OF THE GOVERNOR CANDIDATE

1986-1987

The appointment commission of the governor-candidate created by the tenth District Conference held in LOME on 6th April 1984, is composed for 1986-1987, as follow :

Pierre YANGNI N'DA

District Governor 1985

Mike ASAFO-BOAKYE

Governor Candidate 1985-1986

François AMORIN

PDG

Henri C. GALLENCA

PDG

Thomas F. HOPE

PDG

Samuel H. OKUDZETO

PDG

Joseph G. RICHARD

PDG

Georges SANGARET

PDG

Emile VIDAL CARR

PDG

Bawa MANKOUBI

PDG

Hubert VARLET

P.P. R.C. ABIDJAN

Alassane KANTE

P.P. R.C. BAMAKO

G. MELVILLE

P.P. R.C. BANJUL

Passed in ABIDJAN February 22sd, 1986

P. YANGNI N'DA

910th District Governor



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RE YANGNI N'DA
VERNEUR 1984 - 1985

DISTRICT 910

NOTE AUX TRESORIERES DES CLUBS

Je voudrais par la présente appeler une fois de plus votre attention sur les cotisations des clubs au District pour l'année rotarienne 1984-1985.

Jusqu'à ce jour 3 clubs seulement ont rempli leurs obligations envers le district.

Qu'il me suffise de vous rappeler que seuls les clubs en règle de leurs contributions envers le Rotary International et le Fonds du District pourront présenter des candidatures et avoir le droit de vote pour les décisions à prendre lors de la Conférence du District qui se déroulera du 10 au 11 Mai 1985 à ABIDJAN.

Je rappelle que les cotisations sont établies per capita à raison de 15 \$ US par membre et basées sur vos déclarations d'effectifs au 30 Juin 1984.

Le règlement doit s'effectuer sur le compte du District ouvert à ABIDJAN à la Banque Ivoirienne pour le Commerce et l'Industrie "BICIC" sous l'intitulé suivant :

DISTRICT 910 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL N°9559 -776730-66 "R"

Tout envoi de chèque devrait être adressé au Trésorier du District 910 du R.I. 01, BP. 202 ABIDJAN 01.

Je compte sur votre esprit rotarien pour faire diligence. Recevez mes amitiés rotariennes.

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DISTRICT NEWS

NEW CLUBS

HO (Ghana) admitted on January 18th, 1985

KARA (Togo) admitted on January 18th, 1985

CAPE COAST, (Ghana) admitted on January 28th, 1985

THIES-SALY "LE RONIER" (Sénégal), admitted on February 23rd, 1985

CHARTER PRESENTATION

January 30th : charter presentation of the DAKAR SOLEIL CLUB admitted on December 3rd, 1984

February 2sd : charter presentation of the GREATER FREETOWN CLUB admitted on December 27th, 1984

PROVISIONAL CLUBS

COTONOU-LAGUNE - DALOA - KORHOGO - LOME II

NOTE

District Assembly on May 9th, 1985

District Conference on May 10th, 1985

Meeting place : GOLF HOTEL ABIDJAN.

DIRECTION OF DISTRICT

I received for the function of Governor 1986-1987, the following candidatures :

- Germain LIGAN, Past President R.C. COTONOU
- Assané Masson DIOP, Past President R.C. DAKAR.

According to the decision adopted by the District Conference held in LOME on April 6th, 1984 these two candidatures will be examined by the appointment commission. The name of the candidate chosen by this commission will be addressed to all clubs at District Conference



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Mr. Pierre Yangni N'Da,
04 B.P. 646,
Abidjan 04,
Ivory Coast.

February 11, 1985

Governor District 910, R.I.

Dear Governor N'Da,

For your information, we enclose a copy of the CENAEM Directory 1984/1985. You should bring this to the attention of Rotarians in your district who travel to Europe and may wish to attend a meeting.

This directory is not free and the number of copies which are printed depends on the number of orders which we receive in advance. For this reason we request that you give some publicity to the CENAEM directory in your next monthly letter and ask Rotarians in District 910 to send their orders to our office before 10th April 1985. In this way we will be able to satisfy all orders. The CENAEM directory will be published in June 1985 and will cost about Swiss Francs 10.75 a copy.

Thank you for your help.

Yours sincerley,

Gina Rocco
Service to District Governors
and to Clubs

Don du Rotary Club de Dakar

30.000 doses de vaccin anticholérique au Mali



Le Consul général du Mali recevant les cartons de vaccins en présence du gouverneur du Rotary Club de Dakar.

Les salons de l'Hôtel Téranga ont abrité, récemment une petite cérémonie de remise de 30.000 doses de vaccins anti-cholérique, par le Rotary Club de Dakar, à la République sœur du Mali. C'est en présence de M. Pierre Yangni N'Da, gouverneur du 910^e District, qui séjournait dans notre pays, dans le cadre de sa tournée de visites des clubs relevant de son autorité, que le Consul général du Mali au Sénégal a reçu des mains de M. François-Philippe Pandolfi, président du Rotary Club, le lot de vaccins, au nom de l'ambassadeur empêché.

Le Consul général a dit sa reconnaissance au Rotary Club pour ce geste fraternel et humanitaire qui, a-t-il déclaré, s'inscrit dans le droit fil de l'action discrète mais combien efficace et appréciée, de ce club service.

Mais c'est surtout M. Pierre Yangni N'Da qui, en sa qualité de gouverneur du District, s'est félicité de l'heureuse coïncidence de son séjour et de l'événement. Et cela, d'autant plus que dans quelques jours, du 16 au 18 janvier, la Côte d'Ivoire, dont il est originaire, va abriter la conférence de tous les clubs Rotary d'Afrique. Plus de 450 clubs, de 46 nations différentes du continent seront donc présents à Abidjan. Une délégation de dix personnes représentera les clubs Rotary Sénégal.

L'événement mérite d'être signalé d'autant plus que c'est le président-Félix Houphouët-Boigny en personne qui présidera l'ouverture de

cette conférence à laquelle prendra également part le Mexicain Carlos Canseco, actuel président du Rotary international. Le but de cette conférence sera de rechercher, avec les rotariens africains, les voies et moyens les meilleurs pour aider leur prochain. Car, il ne faut pas l'oublier, le Rotary Club, composé d'hommes d'affaires et de professions libérales, est une association apolitique, à but purement humanitaire, dont les membres se veulent des citoyens au service de leurs semblables.

La modeste remise de vaccins à la République sœur du Mali n'est qu'une illustration de l'action menée, sur le continent, par les rotariens, notamment dans le cadre du programme dit des «3 H» et qui comprend des campagnes d'immunisation contre la polio en Gambie, au Ghana, au Libéria, au Maroc, en Sierra-Léone, et au Sénégal où 500.000 enfants ont été vaccinés contre cette terrible maladie, durant ces cinq dernières années.

Le Sénégal, qui compte déjà deux clubs Rotary, va enregistrer, à la fin de ce mois, la naissance d'un troisième qui a choisi le même patron que notre quotidien national «Le Soleil».

Puisse-t-il luire de mille feux et apporter à nos populations déshéritées, cette chaleur fraternelle que tout bon rotarien a mission de répandre autour de lui.

Gabriel Jacques GOMIS

CLUB NO	CLUB NAME	MONTH	YEAR	PER CAPITA	NO OF MBRS 12/83	CAPITA DOLLARS	TOTAL	CURRENT PLATEAU	PER CAPITA	TOTAL DOLLAR
000001	DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS	.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	1,000.00
017142	COTONOU	.00	0.00	0.00	37	10.00	370.00	2200	220.00	6,671.18
017143	BANJUL	.00	0.00	0.00	27	10.00	270.00	0	0.00	0.00
017144	ACCRA	.00	0.00	0.00	29	4.94	143.26	1900	193.05	6,832.00
017145	ACCRA WEST	.00	0.00	0.00	36	2.40	86.40	1300	137.59	6,712.00
017146	KUMASI	.00	0.00	0.00	24	6.55	157.20	200	23.45	680.00
017147	SEKONDI--TAKORADI	.00	0.00	0.00	29	6.96	201.84	0	3.04	103.35
017148	TAMALE	.00	0.00	0.00	15	4.71	70.65	300	35.29	600.00
017149	TEMA	.00	0.00	0.00	29	10.00	290.00	100	10.00	220.00
017150	ABIDJAN	.00	1,000.00	14.71	68	9.61	653.48	2300	230.36	15,380.00
017151	ABIDJAN-RIVIERA	.00	0.00	0.00	42	9.70	407.40	300	30.30	1,000.00
017152	ABIDJAN-COCODY	.00	0.00	0.00	61	6.27	382.47	1000	103.73	4,004.26
017153	ABIDJAN-LAGUNES	.00	0.00	0.00	31	2.05	63.55	400	47.95	1,006.99
017154	AGBOVILLE	.00	0.00	0.00	18	10.00	180.00	100	10.00	220.00
017155	BOUAKE	.00	0.00	0.00	43	10.00	430.00	400	39.99	1,283.02
017156	SAN PEDRO	.00	0.00	0.00	34	5.52	187.68	800	84.47	2,000.00
017157	YAMOUSSOUKRO	.00	0.00	0.00	20	10.00	200.00	0	0.00	0.00
017158	MONROVIA	.00	0.00	0.00	49	2.38	116.62	500	57.60	2,525.00
017159	NIMBA	.00	0.00	0.00	20	10.00	200.00	100	10.00	250.00
017160	BAMAKO	.00	0.00	0.00	39	3.08	120.12	600	66.92	2,174.75
017162	NIAMEY	.00	0.00	0.00	36	5.48	197.28	1700	174.51	4,926.57
017163	DAKAR	1749.50	1,749.50	26.11	67	1.08	72.36	1200	128.91	8,363.50
017164	DAKAR-ALIZES	.00	0.00	0.00	28	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
017165	ZIGUINCHOR	.00	1,000.00	47.62	21	2.38	49.98	500	57.61	1,140.00
017166	FREETOWN	.00	1,000.00	16.13	62	4.03	249.86	1800	185.93	11,905.00
017167	LOME	.00	0.00	0.00	38	7.14	271.32	1000	102.86	4,220.00
021883	OUAGADOUGOU	.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
022043	KOFORIDUA	.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
022072	GAGNDA	.00	0.00	0.00	23	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
022234	DAKAR-SOLEIL	.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
022290	GREATER FREETOWN	.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00	0.00
	DISTRICT	1749.50	4,749.50	5.13	926				130.85	83,217.62
	1983-84 CONTRIBUTION CARRYOVER		0.00							

* NEW PLATEAU THIS MONTH

** THIS REPORT INCLUDES ALL CONTRIBUTIONS, FISCAL AGENT REPORTS AND BANK STATEMENT INFORMATION RECEIVED AND CREDITED AT THE CENTRAL OFFICE THROUGH 31 DECEMBER 1984

PLEASE ENCOURAGE ROTARIANS IN YOUR DISTRICT TO INCLUDE THEIR DISTRICTS AND CLUB NUMBERS WITH ALL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION.

WORKING TOGETHER WE WORK BEST

PAUL HARRIS SUSTAINING MEMBERS REPORT

CLUB NUMBER	CLUB NAME	NUMBER PHSM	ID NUMBER	MEMBER NAME	DOLLARS CREDITED THIS MONTH	DATE LAST CREDITED	NEEDED TO COMPLETE PH
0017155	BOUAKE	1	0116087	BICI ABIDJAN	.00	06 07 83	420.83
0017156	SAN PEDRO	1	0073257	BOUGEDIS MAX	.00	03 02 83	27.00
TOTAL NUMBER PHSM IN DISTRICT		2			.00		

ALL 3/2/83 DATES INDICATE DATE OF CONVERSION TO NEW COMPUTER SYSTEM, NOT THE ACTUAL DATE CONTRIBUTION WAS CREDITED
 THIS REPORT INCLUDES ALL CONTRIBUTIONS CREDITED TO SUSTAINING MEMBERS THROUGH 31 DECEMBER, 1984
 PLEASE SEND ANY CORRECTIONS OF THIS REPORT IN WRITING TO CONTRIBUTIONS RECOGNITION SECTION OF THE
 ROTARY FOUNDATION, 1600 RIDGE AVE., EVANSTON, IL, 60201 (USA)

SPEECH DELIVERED AT THE CHARTER CEREMONY

OF THE GREATER FREETOWN CLUB

Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Fellow Rotarians,

On the 24th August 1984, upon the initiative of rotarian SURU DAVIES, special representative of the Governor, a group of 6 rotarians including PDG. Emile CARR, Past President Manilius GARBBER, the President of the Freetown club, rotarian C. COKER, and 4 other rotarians met at Brookfields Hotel to lay the foundations of a second club in Freetown.

Since that date meetings were held regularly every Friday evening at 6.30 p.m, with the membership growing steadily in number. Having reached a total membership of 26 persons, who attended meetings regularly, the list of founder members was drawn up on November 6th 1984 and a request for the club's admission was sent to me by rotarian SURU DAVIES. The request duly scrutinized and signed by me was then sent on to the Regional Office in Zurich on November 30th 1984 and less than a month later, that is on Thursday 27th December 1984, the provisional Rotary Club of Greater Freetown was admitted as a full fledged member of the large rotary family.

Rotary International was created on 23rd February 1905 in Chicago, by a young lawyer Paul Harris and three young friends, one of whom was a coal merchant, the other a merchant tailor and the third a mining engineer. These four friends, in view of the rapid developement of their town Chicago, and the attendant trail of fierce struggle among businessmen, coupled with the continous degradation of morals, made it a habit to meet periodically at each other's homes in a spirit of true friendship for the pure pleasure of being together, as well as to widen the circle of their business relations.

The meetings of these four young men culminated in the creation of R.I. which is currently an organization of businessmen, representatives of the liberal professions and the public sector, united worldwide in the pursuit of humanitarian objectives, dedicated to the application of high moral codes of ethics, integrity and refinement in the exercise of whatever profession they may have, thereby helping to propagate goodwill and peace in the world. R.I. now comprises 21,000 clubs 963,000 members in 159 countries and geographical regions.

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Each rotary club comprises mature men of indisputable worthiness with good professional or commercial reputation. These men each represent different professions, so that each rotary club is indeed a transverse section of all the professions in the locality in which it exists.

R. I. has already existed in Sierra Leone since 1962, thanks to the prestigious club of Freetown which has already provided two District Governors. Sierra Leoneans are well aware of Rotary and its activities. The benefit from community service projects undertaken by the Freetown Club as well as Rotary International 3H Programme which has allocated 367,000 \$ US for the anti-polio vaccination programme.

However, on the occasion of this ceremony at which I will solemnly hand over the Charter, the official document which confirms the membership of the Rotary Club of Greater Freetown to Rotary International, I think it is useful to recall the advantages that Rotary can bring to its locality on one hand and to its members on the other hand.

Rotary is beneficial to Sierra Leone in many respects. It introduces a cordial environment in the town through its tenets of friendship and concern for others. It contributes to the eradication of dissensions by serving as a common meeting point. It collaborates with other local organizations and reinforces them. The club introduces a spirit of perfect collaboration in all matters relating to the welfare of the public. The club enjoys unanimous support for all projects tending to improve life in Freetown, regardless of who the promoters of the projects may be, by virtue of its neutrality and its lack of sectarianism. It develops the sense of responsibility, a precious advantage for the town. The club benefits from the experience of hundreds of other cities and rotary contacts as it strives for the development of Freetown. Finally the club transforms the city into a link in a chain of thousands of other communities which in more than 159 countries and geographical regions, comprise the rotarian universe, thus maintaining the flow of international progress and world exchanges.

For its members, the club provides the opportunity to give concrete form to their noble desires latent in each man who wishes to contribute to the improvement of society. It affords them a new and bigger opportunity to achieve their desire to help their fellow men.

It makes their circle of friends. It makes them become familiar with other professional activities besides their own and makes them view the problems of their fellow men in a sympathetic manner.

It encourages and upholds the members who strive to adhere to the moral codes of high integrity and refinement in the pursuance of their business or in the exercise of their professions. It stimulates all its members to accept as their ideal, the development of their aptitudes and capabilities to the fullest. It provides them with friendly contacts and a cordial reception in almost all cities of the world. It makes them readily understand international matters and the real character of other people. Finally it gives them the satisfaction of belonging to a movement which seeks to enhance international understanding.

In order to transform into reality all what has just been enumerated as benefits to clubs and their members, several conditions must be met.

Firstly, the club will function well if members attend regularly, as this will create and reinforce friendliness among its members. Only then can the club be a viable entity. Next, members should constantly share the spirit of rotary, through conscious efforts to increase the membership by recruiting new members from younger groups in the community and from professions which are not represented in the club. Finally the young club should be extrovert in its approach, by maintaining regular contacts with the District Governor, participating in all meetings organized at district level and by participating in the annual conferences of R.I. This extrovert approach will be a stimulant which will make rotarians of Greater Freetown aware of the magnitude of the movement to which they belong and will be an equally enriching factor, by way of an exchange of experiences.

I am firmly convinced that the rotary club of Greater Freetown will function satisfactorily and will help propagate rotary ideals. This conviction is based on several factors. Firstly, the existence in Freetown of a club which functions actively and which has within its fold experienced rotarians, who have promoted its creation and will attend its meetings in huge numbers, in order to instil it with their dynamism and the membership necessary for its take off. Finally, thanks to the presence in Freetown of two PDG of great renown who learnt during their terms as Governors the little secret which serves as encouragement to clubs and a way of improving those clubs which were not functioning properly. Finally in my capacity as Governor, I feel particularly sympathetic towards this club which I am willing to give every assistance possible.

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In conclusion, let me thank and congratulate all those through whose effort the creation of the Greater Freetown Club has been possible with special mention of SURU DAVIES whose dynamism and experience made it possible for him to start so well as President of the Freetown club in 1983-1984 and especially for starting a second club in Freetown, thereby breaking all the records for speed. Finally, let me thank all the personalities who do not belong to the world of Rotary, but who are here to encourage us to serve well.

Courage to all you rotarians of Greater Freetown, so that you may discover a new world of service.

Long live Rotary in Freetown
Long live Rotary International
Long live Sierra Leone.

P. YANGNI N'DA
Governor of District 910

FREETOWN, 2nd February 1985

EXTRACTS OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY'S LETTER

27 December, 1984

A.T. Caparas
nominated for
1986-87 R.I.
President

The selection of the Nominating Committee for President of R.I. in 1986-87 is M.A.T. Caparas, member of the Rotary Club of Manila, Philippines. A Rotarian for 25 years, "Matt," a lawyer and former director of the Philippine Bar Association, has served R.I. in many positions beginning with district governor in 1964-65. He was Vice-President of R.I. in 1980-81, and currently is serving as a Trustee of the Rotary Foundation and chairman of the 1984 Asia Regional Conference Committee.

Summary of board
actions enclosed

Among the many important decisions recorded by the R.I. Board of Directors last month is a revised policy for service projects and other activities which involve four or more districts. Please review your district's activities in light of this policy to determine if they meet the guidelines. If they do not, the Board decision provides for a period from now until 30 June, 1987, to make whatever adjustments may be necessary. Of special note are decisions related to the polio 2005 fund (look for a major announcement on this in the February, 1985, issue of THE ROTARIAN and the regional magazines), and a decision which encourages Rotary clubs to informally sponsor organizations of groups of wives of Rotary members.

Council on Le-
gislation dead-
line is 1 May,
1985.

The Constitution and By-laws Committee met earlier this month to examine about 50 proposed enactments and resolutions which already have been submitted for consideration by the 1986 Council on Legislation. The deadline for proposed enactments is 1 May, 1985. If your district conference meets after that date, then it is suggested that proposals intended as district-sponsored proposals should be proposed directly by clubs. The four-day Council will meet in Chicago, 3-6 February. In 1985-86, each club will pay to R.I. an additional \$1 per capita to fund the round-trip transportation cost of each district's representative in the Council.

Deadlines from
the Foundation

The deadline for applications from districts for 1985-87 Group Study Exchange (GSE) awards is 15 January, 1985. You may list 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices by specific district numbers or by countries or areas of the world with which your district is interested in participating in an exchange of GSE teams. Each application must be accompanied by a Basic Study Plan prepared by your GSE subcommittee....The new Grants for University Teachers program begins 1985-86. Application forms were sent to all district Foundation chairmen in October; they are also available from the Central and Branch offices. Applicants must apply no later than 15 April, 1985 to any Rotary club in the district in which they hold academic appointment. Your district Rotary Foundation committee must personally interview applicants being considered and submit its nominations to The Rotary Foundation by 15 June, 1985. Awards will be announced in September....New Scholarship deadlines; alert your clubs: Application forms for 1986-87 Scholarships will be mailed to districts in March 1985. Clubs must receive applications from candidates by 1 October, 1985, and must forward their endorsed scholarship applications to the district governor by 1 November, 1985. The Central Office must receive your district-endorsed application by 1 December, 1985. The awards will be announced in February 1986. Your district may use its one regular scholarship, as well as any extra earned scholarships, to designate either a Graduate, Undergraduate, Vocational, Teacher of the Handicapped, or Journalism Scholar.

Blue stones signify multiple
Foundation givers

A Paul Harris Fellow who gives an additional \$1,000 is eligible to receive a new Paul Harris Fellow lapel pin with a blue stone. An additional stone, up to five in total, is added for each \$1,000 gift. A Paul Harris Fellow who makes such a gift may use it to designate another person as a Paul Harris Fellow, or may name one or more persons as Sustaining Members. Such gifts count toward club and district plateau percentages. Any Paul Harris Fellow who has already contributed an additional \$1,000 or more is eligible to receive the pin upon request.

Foundation Contributions out-
pacing record
levels of 1983-84

Contributions to The Rotary Foundation reached a record high in 1983-84. The total of US\$21,913,289 was 15.1 percent higher than the previous year. But the first four months of 1984-85 were running 25.5 percent ahead of last year's pace! Here is the regional breakdown for last year:

Region	1983-84 amount (US\$)	Percent Increase (Decrease)	Per Capita	Percent of total
ANZAO	959,668	13.1	15.10	4.4
ASIA	6,462,353	9.6	38.91	29.5
CENAEM	2,101,222	19.9	12.82	9.6
GB&I	556,737	1.9	9.21	2.5
SACAMA	550,474	(6.3)	6.33	2.5
USCB	<u>11,282,835</u>	<u>19.9</u>	<u>29.62</u>	<u>51.5</u>
Totals	\$21,913,289	15.1	23.77	100.0

The Foundation's annual report, including an article about finances a ten-year (1974-84) tabulation of income and expenses, appeared in the November issue of THE ROTARIAN and the January-February REVISTA ROTARIA.

Here are recent Trustee actions of interest to you:
Specific Duties of Rotary Scholars

A Rotary Scholar is expected to meet the following in discharging his/her duties as an ambassador of goodwill: (1) present at least one talk to the sponsoring club before departing to the assigned institution abroad; (2) present a minimum of five talks to Rotary meetings in the host district abroad, give at least one talk to a non-Rotary audience, and attend the host district conference; (3) after returning home, give (within a year) a minimum of five talks to local Rotary clubs and at least three talks to non-Rotary audiences; (4) a scholar should be readily available to meet with the media at home and abroad.

Scholarships for New Districts

Districts coming into being on 1 July, 1985, will be sent 1986-87 Scholarship application materials in March 1985. This will allow each new district to select a Scholar during its first year of existence.

Age Requirements for Graduate Scholars

Effective for 1986-87 Scholarships, the age requirement for Graduate Scholars will be 18 through 30 years, as of the deadline for submitting applications to Rotary clubs.

Management Training Program for Foundation Scholars

Beginning in 1986-87, Scholarships sponsored by districts in developing countries may be used for short-term (i.e. less than six months) management or vocational training. Such Scholarships may be used in conjunction with a Special Grant or a 3-H project. Districts in developed countries are encouraged to donate from time to time one of their earned Scholarships to a district in a developing country; such donated scholarships may also be utilized for short-term training.

Orientation of Foundation Awardees

All Scholars and Group Study Exchange participants will receive general orientation materials prior to their departure. These will include volumes one (Focus on Rotary) and seven (The Rotary Foundation) of the Rotary Basic Library; "infograms" and "Culturegrams" concerning basic characteristics, cultural data, etc., of the host country; a cultural awareness packet designed by a former Rotary Scholar; and a manual which outlines responsibilities that goes with an award.

Group Study Exchange

The Trustees have approved Group Study Exchanges between adjoining countries within the same district, provided that these countries have sufficiently different cultural environments....Beginning this year, a district governor may request a grant of up to US\$800 for GSE team expense to attend the conference of the team's sending or host district, provided the team makes a presentation to the conference.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Rotary International has now 965,500 members, 21,004 clubs in 159 countries and geographical regions.

