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of things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIP?
4. Will it be BENEFICIARY to all concerned?

PURPOSE AND GOALS OF ROTARACT

The purpose of Rotaract is to provide an opportunity for young men and women to enhance the knowledge and skills that will assist them in personal development, to address the physical and social needs of their communities, and to promote better relations between all people worldwide through a framework of friendship and service.

The Goals of Rotaract:

1. To develop professional and leadership skills;
2. To emphasize respect for the rights of others, and to promote ethical standards and the dignity of all useful occupations;
3. To provide opportunities for young people to address the needs and concerns of the community and our world;
4. To provide opportunities for working in cooperation with sponsoring Rotary clubs;
5. To motivate young people for eventual membership in Rotary.



It is another publication and we are excited to bring you another interesting piece. Her first hand insight into reports and activities of the Rotaract District for the other of October, ranging from the campaign to keep polio at zero, to the Rotary foundation seminars and most interestingly, a chat with the District Rotaract Representative.

Please take out time to read and digest each column and find inspiration in them.

Remember, there is always an opportunity to change lives while also making a difference.

**Tiamiyu Adetayo
RAC Ijebu Ode**

DISTRICT ROTARACT REPRESENTATIVE'S MESSAGE

FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER
(COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONTH)



We kill time. We save time. We rob and get robbed of time, we lose time, and we have all the time in the world. But no one of us is powerful enough to stop the march of time or slow it down. Please check the time and realize the first quarter of the 2021-22 Rotary year has gone. The month of September was a very busy month for Rotaract District as the 2021-22 Rotary year is locomotively gathering momentum.

DISTRICT UPDATES

The month started with a rousing welcome of Rotary International President Shekhar and Rashi Mehta to District 9110. It was an exciting moment for Rotary family; personally, I am glad that the hard copies of the District newsletter will someday be referenced in history as one of the few newsletters that has traveled with Rotary International President beyond our local District and even Nigeria.

On the back of a colorful hosting of Rotary International President, on Saturday 18th September, 2021, Rotaract members from Lagos and Ogun converged in Ijanikin-Oto Awori for awareness trek against Depression and suicide. The trek activities also involved a novelty match between Team Awareness Trek and Team Polio. It was an event well attended, to in one voice say No to depression and give a deserving tribute to the heroes we lost to suicide. Truly, our impact in Oto Awori community will not be forgotten soon.

Also, the District Polio team was involved in the monitoring of the vaccination in some communities in Ajegunle where some pluses were donated as logistics aid to continually keep Polio at zero.

The District also had an online Basic Education and Literacy Seminar on promoting education of girl child in rural communities in global communities. The webinar was aimed to provide insights and project initiatives for Rotaract Clubs towards the vision of Rotary International President on girl child empowerment. The webinar remain on of the best online event ever organized; the promptness and well timed, coordination by the anchor, the deep knowledge of

speakers and attentiveness of the participants.

DRR VISITS

4 more clubs were visited in the month of September making it a total of 13 Clubs visited in the first quarter. It was an opportunity to advance the vision of the Rotary International and District goals. I want to urge club leaders to take it more seriously.

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES

The month of October is designated for Community Economic Development. Clubs are to be involved or coordinate projects to improve communities and economy of our dear nation. Also, our Nation Nigeria

The District is in partnership with Lagos State Government to train youths on vocational skills. It is a 3-month vocational project for Rotaractors and non Rotaractors to acquire skills for personal development. As District, we have also open the opportunity to Rotaract Clubs to also partner in the project through numerous initiatives. I am glad that Clubs have started indicating interest.

Distinguished Changemakers, it has been a wonderful first quarter which I have learned about the twist of life, I have also met great mind by virtue of my position and I am thankful to you all for your support to set new records for the District. I am urging you for more supports because the District will be making big impacts and milestones in the coming months.

Nigeria celebrates independence day anniversary today, as humanitarian, we must continue to showcase ourselves as a model of service above self for the land to continue flowing with milk and honey to see the change we so desire of our country.

We are great people of great nation!

Happy new month of October and Happy Independence day Nigeria.

Signed

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

A quarter of the Rotary year is now behind us. I am sure you are helping Rotary to grow more and do more. And I hope you have already done your part for the Each One, Bring One initiative by introducing one person to Rotary.

Do you ever think about your earliest days as a Rotarian? I often do — because those first moments of discovering the power of service shaped who I am today. When I joined my Rotary club, our efforts focused on India's rural communities, where people were living without toilets, getting their drinking water from the same pond they bathed in, and sending their children to outdoor classrooms set up under a tree. The nearest health care provider often was miles away — and the services were inadequate. But after Rotary clubs carried out some service projects, the villages had toilets, clean drinking water, a classroom for early

learning, and a nearby health care center.

The spark that Rotary kindled within me forced me to look beyond myself and embrace humanity. It made service a way of life and led me to a guiding principle I still stand by: Service is the rent I pay for the space I occupy on Earth.

If you feel the need to reignite the spark of service in yourself or your club, October — Community Economic Development Month — is a great time to do so. When we work to improve the lives of people in underserved communities — through, for example, projects that provide vocational training and access to financial resources — we help build and sustain local economic growth.

The need is great. According to the United Nations, 9 percent of the world's population — that's 700 million people, a majority of them in sub-Saharan Africa — live on less

They always say time changes things but you actually have to change them yourself. Once again, BEAT THE CLOCK...

We have earned the right to celebrate our country, Nigeria. We shall continue to do good as we are 'people doing good in the world'. The Nigeria we desire will be attained when we decide to be that harbinger of change as we are the Change Makers. I am most delighted to say happy independence anniversary to Nigeria where we live and serve to change lives.

We are in October; a quarter of this Rotary year is over. As the saying goes, time changes things but we actually have to change them ourselves hence my charge of last month that I am still repeating here, Beat the clock. October is Economic and Community Development month in the Rotary calendar globally.

Last month, which was Basic Education and

Literacy month saw me supporting our clubs during the DG's visits in pursuance of the month's focus on Basic Education and Literacy by visiting some of our primary schools.

Apart from presenting educational materials, I supervised reading by pupils; read with them and commissioned state-of-the-art bungalow with well-furnished classrooms, teachers' room and headmistress office -- all en-suite

than \$1.90 a day. By supporting strong community development as well as entrepreneurs, we can help improve conditions for people in that region and others.

Your club can also promote economic development in your own community by expanding vocational training opportunities through local schools and community colleges, partnering with lenders to improve access to financial services, or working with a nonprofit that provides resources to entrepreneurs and connects them with the business community.

Of course, developing strong communities is impossible without strong public health. On 24 October, World Polio Day, we'll celebrate our tremendous progress in the effort to eradicate polio. But we also know the fight is not over. We still need your help raising funds and awareness to ensure that all children are immunized against polio. Please don't forget to activate your clubs on that important day and encourage them to donate here: endpolio.org/world-polio-day.

Service has been rewarding for me throughout my life. I know the same is true for many of you. Join me this month in becoming a good tenant of our planet by helping others to better themselves and their communities. Together, we can Serve to Change Lives.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER



constructed and donated by RC Maryland, Ikeja in collaboration with Chris Bamidele Onalaja Foundation (CBOF).

Seeing what our clubs are doing, I felt proud of our organisation, Rotary International, and indeed felt proud being a Rotarian.

I am glad to say that we are living to the charge of the 'Change Maker Year' as we continue to "Do More and Grow More". The push of our planned Rotary Day of Service

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continued to gain momentum as our clubs are bracing up to showcase more service projects, more collaborations, more partnerships, more of community engagements and we have started to see the effect of all these in our 'Grow More' in membership.

We put out a challenge to grow membership in clubs during the month of August - Membership and New Club Development month with special recognition and award to be given to clubs that were able to induct a minimum of ten new members and form new Rotary Club(s). The following clubs won the recognition and awards for inducting 10 and more members:

RC Festac Town came first by inducting 13 members;

RC Maryland, Ikeja came second by inducting 11 members and RC Isolo came third by inducting 10 members.

On formation of new clubs, RC Ikeja South came first by sponsoring RC Alakuko with 28 new members and RC Mushin Metro came second by sponsoring RC Ajao Estate with 26 new members. The various winners were recognised and given new members induction kit worth between =N=100,000 and =N=140,000 each to the five winners as awards.

I used the opportunity of the Multi-club training to promise additional recognition awards to Clubs before the end of the year. I thank the District Membership Committee Chairman, PDG Pat Ikheloa, for overseeing the challenge.

This time in the last Rotary year 2019-2020, our membership strength was 3,081 and 3,621 as at 1st July, 2021. I am happy to note that we achieved our goal of 4,000 strong membership before the end of September 2021, having grown our membership to 4,083. I thank all those that shared our membership slogan of 'Each One Bring One and Retain All' that has given us the kind of result we are having in 'Grow More'. May I use this opportunity to welcome our newly formed clubs into the family.

OFFICIAL WORKING VISIT OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT SHEKHAR MEHTA AND SPOUSE RASHI TO NIGERIA

The Rotary International President, Shekhar and his Spouse, Rashi Mehta, started their visit to Nigeria from District 9110. We set the pace while others followed. In the RI President's team was Past Rotary International Vice President Yinka Babalola, PDG Kazeem Mustapha and EMGA PDG Pearl Ijeoma Okoro. On hand to join me in receiving the RI President were

the District Governors from the other three Districts in Nigeria, DG Okechukwu Okonkwo of District 9142; DG Eyone Andy Uwejeyan of District 9141 and DG Ayo Oyedokun of District 9125.

From our District leaders, we had the Doyen of Past District Governors PDG Julius Adelusi-Adeluyi mni and other PDGs. The District Rotaract Representative, Deji Shobowale, was also on hand to receive the RI President.

During the visit, the first point of contact for Shekhar Mehta was the dedication of the Indo-Eye/Rotary Eye Hospital in Lagos. This project was funded by Indo Eye Foundation and furnished with Rotary Global Grant through the Rotary Club of Lagos Palmgrove Estate.

Trees were planted by the RI President, his wife Rashi, PRIVP and visiting District Governors at the Rotary Centre.

The RI President's girl-child empowerment project was given a boost through the vaccination of young girls aged 9-14 years for HPV. The vaccination exercise was carried out under the supervision of PDG Dr. Jide Akereolu while the RI President observed the vaccination exercise. The RI President made an appearance at the Polio House where he was received by the Chairman of the Nigeria National PolioPlus Committee, PDG Dr. Tunji Funsho and Vice Chairman, PDG Yomi Adewunmi.

It was a well packaged reception by our District by the 'RI President Reception ad-hoc Committee' ably led by its Chairman, RRFC Deinde Shoga, and others in the Committee. Please permit me to use this opportunity to appreciate members of the committee and indeed all Rotarians of our District for their time and generosity in our fund-raising drive to meet the expenses during the visit.

As at 30th September, 2021 the official District Governor's visit had been conducted in 49 clubs out of the 130 clubs in the District. It has been a worthy experience from the clubs visited so far. Dues are being paid, DEWEF pledges are being redeemed and payments are generally impressive.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

If there is an urgent need for us to Beat the clock, it is mostly in our Foundation. Nevertheless, I am happy to report that one of our prospects for Arch Klump Society membership (AKS) was achieved through a Rotarian couple, Change Maker President Rotarian Bamidele Onalaja of RC of Maryland, Ikeja and Past President Tolulope Onalaja of RC Ogudu GRA.

The new AKS members were decorated by RI President Shekhar Mehta on 2nd

September, 2021. As part of our initiative to 'beat the clock' in the area of The Rotary Foundation, a challenge for contributors to EREY has been introduced during the month.

The challenge will afford each contributor to TRF the chance of winning a choice land in the Lekki area of Lagos State. The more you contribute to TRF, the higher your chance of winning the parcel of land and other consolation prizes while the TRF credit to your account is intact.

October, as I mentioned earlier, is Economic and Community Development month. This is when we have activities in micro finance and poverty alleviation schemes in poor communities, etc. Project ideas range from providing start-up equipment to young entrepreneurs, to vocational training for those without marketable skills, especially women.

Our District will launch the novel District Economic Empowerment Programme (DEEP) as a flagship programme of the year during the month. This programme is meant to serve indigent students, like the other side of the coin that DEWEF has always been -- granting scholarship (to indigent but bright students) while DEEP is the other side of the coin (indigent but not bright students) that the parents sponsor from the little that they have.

DEEP will be used to empower the parents in order to be in position to sponsor their children to school. The DEEP will be provided with seed money of N20 million (Twenty million naira) to be managed by an independent finance expert that would be chosen by DEEP committee under the supervision of DEWEF Board of Trustees. This fund will be a permanent fund to be supervised by DEWEF Board of Trustees.

APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

The District Finance Committee has requested for Expression of Interest by Rotarians who are in the Audit Practice to take up the District Audit for 2021-2022.

PUBLIC IMAGE ACTIVITIES

As we are settling down in the new Rotary year, many clubs have done their investiture to raise funds for service projects; clubs are encouraged once again to key into the 'Adopt-a-School' project of the District for the year. Rotary Day of Service is our tool for promoting Rotary Image this Rotary year. Clubs are enjoined to follow up with the District committee in charge of the event.

It is time to go to work in order for us to have

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projects to showcase during our chosen Rotary Day of Service.

DISTRICT POLIOPLUS

The District Polio Plus Committee organised Polio seminar and awards were given to clubs that were 100% compliant with payment of individual \$10.00 per Rotarian.

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS

The RYLA Committee has continued with its plan of organising a massive RYLA of about 1,500 youths this Rotary year. Our clubs have been very supportive, because with less than 50 clubs visited by me, sponsorship has exceeded 1,200. From the

look of things, sponsorship is not likely to be the challenge for this year's RYLA but I suspect that nomination of candidates will become the big issue.

May I therefore appeal to our clubs to start the process of nominating their candidates ahead of invitation by the committee.

DISTRICT INTERACT REPRESENTATIVE

The installation of District Interact Representative Arinze Chukwukelu took place on the last day of September 2021 in a well packaged event. I congratulate the District Interact Committee for a good outing.

FINAL RITES FOR PDG+ OLALEKAN EZEKIEL OGUNDIMU

A Rotary Day of Tributes was organised on

14th September, 2021 by the District We Care Committee, in memory of the late Past District Governor. A full page colour Obituary was placed in the Punch newspaper by the District on the same day. Other Past District Governors and I participated in the burial activities both in Lagos and Abeokuta. May the soul of Past District Governor Ogundimu rest in peace.

"Together we can, together we will".

Let us beat the clock and be the Change Makers as we serve to change lives.

'REMI BELLO, FCA
District Governor



Not until you try, you never can tell your strength
Not until you leap, you never can tell your ability
Not until you dive, you never can tell the depth of the river

Not until you move, you never can tell the distance you'd cover
Do not be limited, confined or restricted.
Set out,

Step up
Fly and soar the world
You are a masterpiece.

-AKANNI, Damola Olaide
President, RACOLAMBE

KEEP POLIO @ZERO CAMPAIGN



The Polioplus Committee, Rotaract District 9110 , on the 29th of October paid a keep polio @zero Advocacy visits to The Office of The Medical Officer of Health , Ifelodun LCDA to Discuss the preparations for the ongoing OBR2 Polio Vaccination .

To support the smooth exercise , Pluses were Donated to the LCDA and

intentions to be part of the Monitoring officers to join the supervision of field workers in discharging their role during the vaccination was made known as it is important that No child is exempted from the vaccination. It was made known that parents will also be encouraged to allow their children get the polio vaccines .

The team also promised to help resolve issues of Non compliance and cases of rejections.

Special Appreciations was given to the MOH, Dr.Japhet Olugbogi for having the team at his office .

Together we shall keep polio @zero in Ifelodun LCDA.

WORLD POLIO DAY CELEBRATIONS



On Sunday 24th of October , Rotaract District 9110, Carried out 7Km keep Polio @ zero walk .

The walk which took place in Lagos and Ogun state , Started at exactly 7am ,

Rotaractors , Rotarians , Partners and Friends came out to Join the walk .

Lagos walk Take off point started at Rotary Center, Ladoke Akintola street through Oba Akinjobi Street to Kodesoh street , turn right on Obafemi Awolowo Way , turn right to Olowu street, all the way to Mobolaji Bank Anthony, turn under the flyover towards Country Club and down Joel Ogunnaike and finally ended at Rotary Center, Ladoke Akintola

street.

All participants Received their certificates and there was lots of entertainment .

While the Ogun State walk stared from KUTO:

CULTURAL CENTER THROUGH TO GTBK, ZONE 2, OPIC, LALUBU ROAD, TURN UNDER THE BRIDGE TO PANSEKE TURN BACK AT FIRST BANK, ITA EKO, ITA IYALODE, TOTORO, POST OFFICE, FACE ITOKU, SAPON ISALE IGBEIN, OMIDA, TURN BACK AT KEYSTONE BANK, JIDE JONES, BACK YO OPIC AND TO STOP AT ABEOKUTA SPORTS CLUB.

out in their numbers to join the walk .

It was a colourful outreach

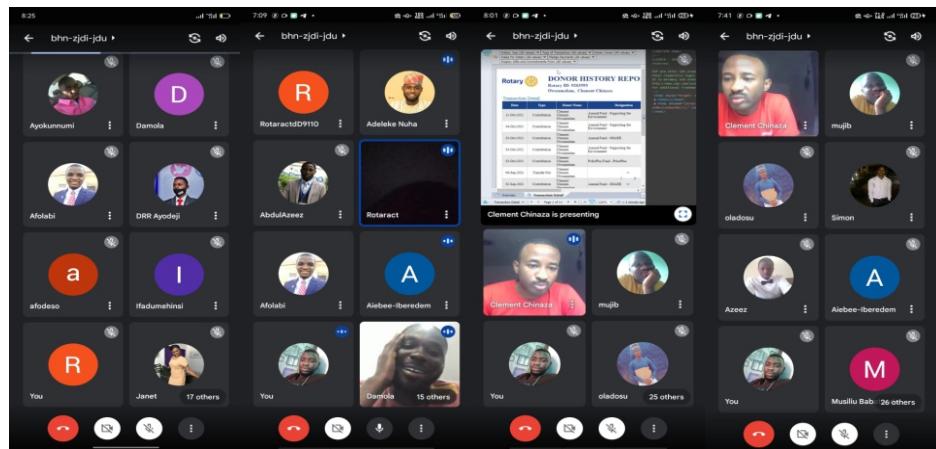
#Keep polio @Zero
#End polio Now
#District 9110



In preparation for the Rotary Foundation month which according to the Rotary International calendar holds in the month of November, the Rotaract District 9110 Nigeria Rotary Foundation committee had its first ever pre-seminar organized, this pre-seminar was set up to equip Rotaractors of the District and beyond on ways they can make donations to the Rotary Foundation.

The facilitator Rotaractor Clement Chinaza Owuamalam PHF+6 who has served on the Rotary International Rotaract Committee as a Rotaract Representative gave a breakdown of the importance of giving, how funds can be raised and the importance of appreciating the donors and also creating awareness. He commended the Rotary Foundation committee for the good work they have done so far this Rotary year with the Polio Champion Initiative, celebrating Rotaractors birthday with donations and more.

In his presentation he also threw more light on why some donations may not go through which includes verve card is not usually allowed for the transactions, payment above 100 dollars in a month wont go through.



THE ROTARY FOUNDATION PRE-SEMINAR

Currently we have 2 clubs according to the Rotary Foundation report received last week who are eligible for the Rotaract Giving Certificate, which is Rotaract Club of Ikoyi and Rotaract Club of Egbeda

In earning this giving certificate he informed participants on all that is needed which is having at least 5 members donate a

minimum of 50 dollars to the Foundation. Questions were asked after the session and the speaker gave necessary responses.

Information were passed to participant, while the Seminar Ended after The information.

Thank you.



DRR VISITATION TO RAC ABEOKUTA

The District Rotaract Representative called the Board Meeting to order at exactly 3:40pm with Rotary Grace by all present.

He welcome everyone to the meeting and also appreciate Rotaract Club of Abeokuta for hosting the DRR which is one of the criteria of knowing clubs that are in good standing. He thereafter introduced his entourage and also called on the President Rotaract club of Abeokuta to introduced his Board members.

After several deliberation, checking and suggestions, the President Rotaract Club of Abeokuta appreciated the DRR and his entourage for the visitation to the club.

On the 22nd October, 2021, Renovation and Refurbishing of Borehole and Tap Water as well as Pumping Machine was commissioned by DRR in honouring his visitation to Rotaract Club of Abeokuta at Abeokuta OLG Primary School, Somorin,

Obantoko. The project was of necessity in bringing succour to School and community as one of the 7 Areas of Focus of Rotary Intentional and also in commemorating Month of October Economic Community Development Month.

The DRR was present at the school to commission the project including the Assistant Headmistress and teachers. The DRR emphasized that government cannot do the whole wrought done to the society and that is why there is need for others to come in which Rotaract Club of Abeokuta. In response, the Assistant Headmistress appreciated the DRR and Rotaract Club of Abeokuta for picking their school out of numerous schools in the community to bring succour to them after several months the school and students have suffered on getting water.

In appreciation of DRR Visitation to the Club, a gift was presented to him by the Club

through Rotr PP Osikanmi Oluwatosin.

Attendance:

Rotr Ayodeji Sobowale (District Rotaract Representative)
Rotr (PDR) Jaiyeola Constance
Rotr Ebunoluwa Isaac (District Treasurer)
Rotn Ogundele Olajide (ADRR Ogun Central and West)
Rotr Olokode Oluwabusayo (Zonal Rep, Zonal A)
Rotr Isiaq Kolawole Eleto (IPP, Agege)
Rotr Taiwo Olanike Mordiyat (CMP Oscotech)
Rotr Saka Oriyomi (CMP, Egbeda)
Rotr Lawal Muhammed Abiodun (CMP, Lagos Mainland)
Members, RAC Oscotech
All Past President and members of RAC Abeokuta

ROTARACT DISTRICT 9110 PARTNERS WITH ROTARACT CLUB OF MEDILAG GOLDEN, CONQUERING BPI AND ONE YOUNG WORLD FOR BRACHIAL PLEXUS AWARENESS



On 23rd October, 2021

Conquering BPI in partnership with Rotaract District 9110, Rotaract Club of Medilag Golden, and One Young World, held the brachial plexus injury awareness; comprising of an awareness walk and educative sessions regarding BPI at the Sarki's palace.

The programme kicked off at 9:30am with the awareness walk.

Beginning from the parking lot of UBA within Ijuth, proceeding through Ishaga road to Sarki's palace. A clement weather provided us with the opportunity to interact with the immediate community, dispersing fliers on BPI as we walked to the Sarki's palace.

At about few minutes past 10 o'clock we arrived at the Sarki's palace. We met with the notable dignitaries, announcing our

presence and we also sectioned the designated area we were to work on, to accommodate the necessary training

sessions - a section assigned to the traditional bone setters for the BPI training session and another to the local midwives for training session pertaining to delivery and the probable complications which could arise.

Both sessions kicked off simultaneously at 10:30am and proceeded in a smooth fashion. As the rotaract club of Medilag Golden anchored the training sessions; using media (videos and pictures) and models to demonstrate the various techniques and maneuvers which could be applied for varying scenarios.

As the program progressed to its climax, we were able to put out publicity as main stream media, was in attendance and some of us were able to be interviewed. A list of

the few media present was - TVC, Kaftan TV, Women Connect and Business Day amongst others.

The event came to a close at a few minutes past 12 o'clock with a distribution of certificates to the bone setters and midwives through their respective representatives, a meeting with the notable dignitaries of the community to show our gratitude and bid them farewell.

The photo booth session brought the event to a close as all the parties involved in the programme; Conquering BPI, Rotaractors, District Representatives, and One Young World NGO took part in the session.

It was indeed a successful project as we serve to change lives!

MEDIA CHAT LIVE WITH THE DISTRICT ROTARACT REPRESENTATIVE

It was a pleasant, educative and entertaining evening for Rotaractors as the DRR took time out to honor a media chat. Questions and clarifications were asked and the District Rotaract Representative, Ayodeji Sobowale, took his time to answer them in the most educative manner.

What values do you have as a leader, and how do you try to embody those values?

Thank you.

First, value is like worth and you can only know your value by the people that surround you. I am surrounded by very resourceful, unique and distinguished persons because there's this magnetic relationship beyond ordinary friendship because of my proactive skills and sensitivity.

I try to embody them in my daily endeavors with others to be impactful

Describe a time when you had to make a difficult decision. What were the results?

Interesting

The last time I made a difficult decision was quitting my job without any form of tangible income to learn roofing for one year.

The result is actually obvious today, I am running the business now and I am earning from it. Even, earning more than what I get in monthly salary.

Aside that, I am glad that when anyone asks me what I can do without my certificate, I will boldly say I have a side business. The joy!

What is the difference between a Team leader and a Team manager? Which of the categories do you fall in? How?

A team leader is someone who leads a crop of individuals united in purpose and goals while a team manager I can say, is someone who manages character in a group of individuals to achieve a set goals.

I fall in the category of a Team manager.

What are the plans to make this Rotary year the best ever or distinguish it from other years because every year has always been good. Is there a new thing under the heaven?

No!

But people make everyday unique by participation and dedication.

So far, we have tried to keep it simple and

not complicated and Rotaractors take it from there. So whatever the best we make out of it is because they choose to be involved.

Therefore, the plan is to make people see the importance of fellowship and service to others.

Lastly, all these efforts of everyone is one that we hope would change lives by the time we look back on the

July to September, as a DRR what has been your greatest achievements so far? any regrets? if yes what is it?

Greatest achievement is our togetherness. Regrets, well; none I can think of.

How do you measure the performance of your team?

The commitment is all that is required. It happens at all spheres.

At times, you give responsibilities to some persons not because of experience but they have time, energy, willingness to learn or other qualities.

Once they dutifully exhibit the qualities that you see in them, good performance should be expected and that is what has been keeping the force.

What is your star project for Rotary serve to change lives 2021/22 year and how do you tend to achieve it?

As someone whose ideology is built on service because of the bilateral advantages; club will attract more value in terms of members and communities will also benefit the impact of the project.

However, our (not My) star project is to work with clubs, partner resources with clubs and to coordinate projects at all fronts to make mega impacts.

All of us will be glad if we as a body not individual are recognized locally, multi-District and/or internationally

We intend to achieve that by information and ideas sharing for clubs

How do you motivate your team?

You will discover no one is without challenge(s) but bot everyone cares. Meanwhile service to humanity is volunteering; no one gets paid.

But I don't know if that is the passcode for motivation but I am

the kind of person that always wants to know the private challenges each team

member is facing because while loosing yourself in the service to others, you should be able to find yourself.

How do you build support for ideas/goals with people who do not report to you and you have no authority over?

Simple. Keeping in touch....

What is the most significant change that you brought to Rotaract district 9110 as a DRR?

The most significant change, I think, is making people to see Rotaractors can handle things uniquely with class when you give some level of liberty to choose who they want to work with them.

I have no secret nor skeleton and as such I can work with anyone.

How have you been able to jostle between ur daily source of livelihood and being the no 1 Rotaractor in the district.. How challenging it is? How interesting it is?

Thank you

Quite challenging but I am a Town planner and Planning is futuristic. So I plan ahead for the challenges

Also, the interesting part of it is that it makes me to be more mentally creative.

What are the annual dues? Are there payment options or assistance for paying dues?

Annual dues are a stipulated fee expected to be paid as an active members and to be in good standing.

The first assistance is to ensure every member is aware. Aware in terms of the fee, the implications and suggest ways to maintain active members. Then others can follow but everyone will get the real picture and how it can be handle when the payment starts from July 2022.



ROTARACT DISTRICT 9110 COLLABORATE WITH LAGOS STATE GOVERNMENT TO TRAIN 500 YOUTHS IN VOCATIONAL SKILLS



A foundation of history was laid on Monday 25th October, 2021 by Rotaract District and Lagos State Government Agency for Mass Education at the flag off of vocational training of at least 500 youths.

The program is an initiative of Rotaract District 9110 in partnership with Lagos state Government for a 3month vocational skill acquisition in fashion design, catering, Digital skills, Hairdressing, Cosmetology and Makeover and Gele tying.

This project is a platform of opportunity for clubs to key into the District initiative and jointly impact lives.

The flag off was held at Agege Vocational Centre but the training will simultaneously hold at three selected centres; Yaba Vocational Centre, Rotary Vocational Centre at Igbogbo and Agege Vocational centre, Ipaja Road, Agege for the duration of 3months.

Speaking at the Flag off, the District Rotaract Representative Ayodeji Ezekiel Sobowale encouraged the trainees to utilize this opportunity to build a future while also speaking on the major goals of Rotaract. The Director of Lagos State Agency for Mass Education, Mrs Oluwakemi Kalesanwo assured the trainees of good learning time with the

instructors and advised the trainees to be of best conduct.

The District Governor was ably represented by Chairperson Youth Protection, Rtn (PP) Titi Sunmonu. She extend the goodwill of the District Governor to the trainees and also enlightened them that vocational training is one of the Rotary's avenue of service.

The event witness musical performance by the music department of Agege Vocational Training Centre to lit the atmosphere and event ended with photograph sessions.

Signed
Change Maker PI Team



DISTRICT ROTARACT REPRESENTATIVE OFFICIAL VISIT TO ROTARACT CLUB OF OLAMBE

At exactly 4:55pm, the Drr called the house to order. Introduction was taken after. The DRR introduced his entourage while the club president introduced the board of directors present. All necessary requirements for the Visit were thoroughly checked by the DRR. Having concluded that the Club is in good standing, the DRR however made some notable corrections.

The DRR encouraged the Club to work more in establishing themselves. He commended the effort of the club so far but encouraged members to do more regarding their financial commitment and membership drive.

Projects for subsequent weeks were discussed. The club's President mentioned that the club shall be embarking on a 4 in 1 project on Wednesday 27th October, 2021. The Project shall focus on Maternal and Child Health, Disease Prevention and treatment, Basic Education and Literacy, Peace Building and Conflict Resolution. He mentioned that the project shall be donations of Toothbrush, Toothpaste, socks and sanitary pads to students of Olambe

Community Primary Schhol, AKeredolu Primary School and AKeredolu Secondary school. Also, the clubs shall be campaigning

The Club's President also discussed the Project the club shall carry out in the month of November. It was discussed that the club shall be carrying out a vocational training project on wig making and pedicure. The targeted number of participants is 10 Females while their shall be immediate job offer for the best student. The aim of the project is to empower females in the society to be self dependent and at the long run reduce the rate of unemployment.

The visit also saw the induction of a New member.

At the end of the Visit, the club through the President, Rotr Akanni Damola Olaide, presented the DRR with a Gift in appreciation of his visit.

In Attendance we're;
Rotr Ayodeji Sobowale (DRR)
Rotr Ebunoluwa Issac (DISTRICT TREASURER)
Rotr Ayo Hamilton (ADRR LAGOS WEST)
Rotr Faloye Abimbola (RAC MOCPED)
President and Members of RAC OMOLE GOLDEN
Intending Members of RACOLAMBE



against cultism and other social vices while encouraging the students to embrace peace. Furthermore, He mentioned that before the end of the week, the Club shall be donating \$100 to the Rotary Foundation in support of Polio eradication through Polio Funds.

DRR VISITATION TO RAC GBAGADA



It was indeed a wonderful visit of the DRR to the Rotaract Club of Gbagada as the visit which was not just a day visit, but it was a 3 day visit loaded with Projects for each day. The visit which commenced on Friday, 8th October 2021 by 9AM with the DRR, President and members of Rotaract Club of Gbagada visiting Ifako comprehensive Senior High School and donated novels, and

afterwards the President accompanied the DRR for refreshment.

Also on Saturday, 9th October 2021, at Exactly 10AM the club commenced free medical checkups and Voluntary Blood Donation at the Lagos State Blood Transfusion Service, Gbagada Centre.

The DRR who was unavoidably absent, was ably represented by the ADRR Lagos Central, PP Adenekan AbdulAzeez. He

granted press interview onbehalf of the DRR, so also the club President Rtr Olumide Benedict Omodehin, one of the Blood donors, and the executive secretary Lagos State Blood Transfusion Service. The exercise which generated 22 units of Blood for the Lagos State Blood Transfusion Service and 17 deferrals was said to be an excellent outing for the club. This project was sponsored by Haima Health initiative, life savers international and War Against Chronic Disease. The Project was fantastic and well organized as all participants testify by appreciating the club and requested to from time to time come up with it for the benefits of mankind.

Sunday, 10th October 2021 was the visit proper. At about 1:45PM. The DRR, President and members of Rotaract Club of Gbagada paid a courtesy visits to the Baale Orile Araromi-Sawmill, Ifako-Gbagada. And we were well received by the Baale and his chiefs. The President Rtr Olumide Benedict Omodehin introduced the District Rotaract Representative, his board and club members to the house. And in same way the Baale did introduce himself and all his chiefs.

The Rotaract Club of Gbagada President informed them of the essence of the

DRR visit RAC Gbagada cntd.

visitation and the community appreciated the visitation and did mentioned that Rotaract Club of Gbagada is a phenomenal organization to them. They attested to the good work the club has been doing in the community and further requested that they continue in it. Moreso the community requested the assistance of the club to help build a small sitting Pavilion for the community to be able to make use of during their CDA meetings and also to serve as reception point for further visitation. The president promised to communicate back to the community, after he must have discussed it with his board and if it's doable he will revert back.

BOARD MEETING HELD WITH THE DISTRICT ROTARACT REPRESENTATIVE (AYODEJI EZEKIEL SOBOWALE) ON THE 10TH OF OCTOBER AT THE SITTING PAVILION GABAGA GENERAL

HOSPITAL.

The meeting started at around 3:00PM. Call to order by DRR followed by Rotaract Grace. The DRR introduced his Board members and the President immediately followed suit. The DRR requested for the club's documents and the available one were presented. The meeting had in attendance the Youth Service Chairperson of Rotary Club of Gbagada, Rtn Erica who was recognised by the DRR. She expressed her satisfaction in the engagement of both the DRR and the club. The DRR made some observations and gave his recommendations and they are noted for improvement.

FELLOWSHIP WITH THE DISTRICT ROTARACT REPRESENTATIVE.

At exactly 5:25pm, the fellowship was called to order by the change Maker President, Rtr Olumide Benedict

Omodehin. Rotaract Grace was jointly sung by all present, followed by other proceedings. The citation of the DRR was taken by ADRR Lagos Central, Rtr Abdulazeez Adenekan.

The fellowship also had the induction of new member into the club; Adewunmi Funmilola now to be known and address as Rtr Funmi Adewunmi.

The DRR appreciated the club for deemimg fit to host him and his entourage and stated that Rotaract Club of Gbagada has been the only club so far from his visitations to engage him for 3 long days. But it wasn't just for fun but loaded with Projects. He encourage other clubs that came around to emulate Rotaract Club of Gbagada. The meeting was adjourned followed with a toast and national pledge and was call to a close at exactly 6:55PM.

ROTARACT DISTRICT 9110 IN PARTNERHSIP WITH LAGOS COUNTRY CLUB

The Rotaract District 9110 this Rotary year took a Great initiate of partnership with Other Organizations in lagos and Ogun states for Effective Donation to The Rotary foundation.

Today, 4th October, 2021 The District Rotaract Representative Ayodeji Sobowale and The Rotary Foundation Committee Chairman Taiwo Jones launched the box today at the premises of Lagos country Club where individuals will be donating to the Box as a way to foster aid to all avenue of service and Areas of Focus of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation.

In view of this, foundation Boxes available at various location, The District is encouraging all Rotaractors, clubs to take this opportunity as a way to be the change in their community.

The Rotary Foundation Committe and



Rotaract District 9110 look forward to more partnership.



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