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Taking Flight: A New Year of Service Begins

RP David



Dear Members,

A new Rotary year has begun, bringing fresh energy, renewed commitment, and another opportunity to serve with purpose. As we embrace this year's theme, **Create Lasting Impact**, I am honoured to serve as Club President and look forward to working with each of you to make this year vibrant, meaningful, and impactful.

Thank you for the support shown during my inauguration and that of the Board. Your encouragement reflects the fellowship and shared responsibility that make Rotary special.

Looking Back: A Strong Start

July gave us a strong start. We supported the District Governor's Thanksgiving Church Service and inauguration.

Our meetings were equally enriching, with an inspiring presentation from our Assistant Governor, AG Roma Puni of the Rotary Club of Accra-Ring Road Central, on the Rotary International President's message and the District 9104 goals for 2026/2027; a classification talk from Rotarian Charity; a presentation on childhood developmental milestones by Rotarian Nana Sarpong Agyeman-Mensah of the Rotary Pan-Africa e-Passport Club; and a team formation and orientation session that helped set the tone for active participation.

Looking Ahead: August in Focus

In August, we look forward to receiving the District Governor, Jack Andrews Dotse PHD, on 5th August, 2026. I encourage every member to attend and show our unity, commitment, and readiness for the year ahead.

We will also welcome our Rotaract Club for a presentation, a reminder of Rotary's future and the importance of mentoring young people into service and leadership.

With August focused on **Membership and New Club Development**, let us invite friends, colleagues, and prospective Rotarians to experience the joy of Rotary.

Our Call to Service

Our Back-to-School Project comes up in August, offering us another opportunity to make a practical difference in the lives of children and families. I encourage every member to support through time, resources, ideas, networks, or active participation.

The more we participate, the more we experience the true spirit of fellowship, service, and impact. Let us spread our wings in service and make this Rotary year one of enthusiasm, growth, and lasting contribution.

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." — Helen Keller

Yours in Rotary Service,

Rotarian David

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Meet our AG
Rtn Roma Puni



Rotarian Roma began her Rotary journey in 1992 as a member of the Rotaract Club of the University of Cape Coast and Rotaract Club of Accra – Ring Road Central on graduating before becoming a member of the Rotary Club of Accra – Ring Road Central in 2009.

Throughout her Rotary journey, Roma has demonstrated exceptional leadership and commitment by serving in numerous roles at both the club, district regional and international levels. Her leadership positions include Assistant Rotary Public Image Coordinator, District Host Organizing Committee (HOC) Chair, District Secretary, various District Committee Chairs and Member, Rotary International Convention Promotion Team Member, Rotary Zone Institute Committee Member, as well as Club President, Club Secretary, and Committee Director.

Professionally, Roma has built an impressive career across several leading blue-chip organizations, gaining extensive experience in diverse corporate roles. She is currently running Zenzi Luxe Consult, an event and lifestyle management company that delivers premium event planning and lifestyle services.

Beyond Rotary, Roma is deeply committed to community service and philanthropy. She actively supports several charitable organizations, including the Young Educators Foundation, Victor Yaw Asante Foundation, StepApp Foundation, Michael Essien Foundation, and Health Africa International, contributing her time and expertise to initiatives that promote education, health, and community
development.

Roma has participated in thirteen District Conferences, two Rotary Zone Institutes, and seven Rotary International Conventions.

Outside her professional and volunteer commitments, Roma enjoys reading, dancing, writing, entertaining guests, and exploring new places through travel and sightseeing.
Inspired by Service Above Self, Roma is committed to promoting literacy, education and lifelong learning to empower individuals and communities.

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July Highlights & Achievements

Setting the Stage for Impact

3rd July

A Grateful Start: Rotarians Gather in Thanksgiving for the District Governor

25th July

Four Club Rotarians Reach a New Milestone in Rotary Leadership

1st July

RCAA Ushers in New Rotary Year with Colorful Presidential Handover

4th July

Celebrating Culture, Fellowship and Fresh Leadership in District 9104

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Highlights

RCAA Ushers in New Rotary Year with Colourful Presidential Handover

The Rotary Club of Accra-Airport (RCAA) opened the 2026-27 Rotary year on a bright and celebratory note with a presidential handover ceremony held on Wednesday, 1 July 2026, at the African Regent Hotel. The event brought together club members, Rotary leaders, Rotaractors, guests, and friends of the club for an evening that beautifully combined reflection, fellowship, celebration, and renewed dedication to service.

This year's handover was particularly special because 1 July, the official start of the Rotary year, coincided with RCAA's regular Wednesday meeting day. It was therefore both fitting and symbolic that the club welcomed its new President on the very first day of the new Rotary calendar under the theme, "Create Lasting Impact."

The meeting began just before 7:00 p.m. and was honoured by the presence of distinguished Rotary leaders, including Immediate Past District Governor Nana Yaa Siriboe, Past District Governor Dave, a member of the club, and Past District Governor Maame Hagan. Their attendance added grace and significance to the occasion, with all Past District Governors of District 9104 present to support the transition.

Although District Governor Jack Andrews Dotsey was hosting the online event, "Conversation with the District Governor," at the same time, he later joined the fellowship in person. His presence was warmly appreciated and reflected his commitment to supporting the club, even on a very busy first day in office.

During the formal proceedings, the Immediate Past President presented his stewardship report and recognised members of the past board, as well as other Rotarians, whose dedication and contributions had supported the club's programmes and activities during the year.

The defining moment of the evening was the symbolic handing over of the chain of office to the new Club President. In his address, he called for teamwork, active membership, innovation, collaboration, and encouragement. He reminded members that the burden of service becomes lighter when everyone contributes, and expressed appreciation to past presidents and active members whose commitment has helped make RCAA an enviable club.

Brief words of encouragement from the Immediate Past District Governor and Past District Governors gave further support to the President and board. Thereafter, the President introduced and inaugurated the new board, marking an important moment of continuity and renewed responsibility. After the closing toast, the evening moved naturally from ceremony to celebration.







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Fellowship came alive with the cutting of the Rotary year cake, refreshments, and music from a two-man band that soon had members on their feet. Members of the Rotaract Club of Accra-Airport brought youthful energy to the celebration, while the presence of the Club President's wife, Rotary Ann Sylvia, added a special family touch to the occasion.

On arrival, the District Governor congratulated the Club President and board, explained his earlier engagement, and shared highlights of his plans for the Rotary year.

The Club President thanked him for making time to be present and assured him of RCAA's continued support for the District.

By the close of the evening, the handover ceremony had achieved more than a change in leadership. It had renewed the spirit of the club, strengthened fellowship, and set an inspiring tone for the year ahead. With a new president, a committed board, and supportive members, RCAA begins the 2026-27 Rotary year ready to serve with energy, purpose, and unity.

The ceremony was coordinated by a planning team comprising Immediate Past President Rotarian Kojo; President Rotarian David; Club Secretary Rotarian Gifty; and Chair, Club Administration, Rotarian Isaac. Their careful preparation helped ensure a smooth programme, dignified atmosphere, and lively fellowship.

A Grateful Start: Rotarians Gather in Thanksgiving for the District Governor

On Friday, 3 July 2026, members of the Rotary Club of Accra-Airport joined Rotarians, family, and friends at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Ashaley Botwe, for a thanksgiving service in honour of the District Governor. Though it was a public holiday, the turnout reflected the warmth of Rotary fellowship, as members gathered at 10:00 a.m. to give thanks and begin the new Rotary year in a solemn yet uplifting spirit.



RCAA was represented by Club President David, PAG Afua,

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PP Alice, and Rotarian Gifty, who are also district officers.

The service was graced by notable Rotary leaders, including PRID Sam Okudzeto, IPDG Maame Yaa Siriboe, PDG Maame Hagan, DGE Debrah, and DGN Shika Acolatse. Assistant Governors, club presidents, and members of the District Governor's family, including his parents, were also present, making the occasion a meaningful gathering of leadership, family, faith, and fellowship.

The Mass, which lasted about an hour and forty-five minutes, was enriched with hymns and beautiful choral music that gave the service a reverent and memorable tone. After the service, the mood shifted into warm fellowship as members exchanged greetings, took photographs, and received packed refreshments before departing.

Celebrating Culture, Fellowship and Fresh Leadership in District 9104

On Saturday, 4 July 2026, Rotary District 9104 held its joint district handover and investiture ceremony at the Premier Event Centre, The Dome, University of Ghana, Legon. The colourful ceremony, which began at 6:30 p.m., marked a significant leadership transition for both Rotary and Rotaract. Immediate Past District Governor Nana Yaa Siriboe handed over to District Governor Jack Andrews Dotsey, while Immediate Past District Rotaract Representative Olive Asheley Addo passed the baton to District Rotaract Representative Kingdom Kededor Avisseh for the 2026-27 Rotary year.

The event was rich in symbolism, tradition, and celebration. Guests arrived in beautiful traditional attire from across the country, creating a vibrant display of Ghanaian culture. A traditional music group from the Volta Region added rhythm and energy to the evening with cultural music and dance, while good food and lively music created a warm atmosphere of fellowship.

The Guest Speaker for the evening was Professor Nana Aba Appiah Amfo, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ghana and the first woman to hold that position. The Special Guest of Honour was Dr. Johnson P. Asiama, Governor of the Bank of Ghana and a former member of RCAA, who was represented by Bernard Otabil, Director of Communications at the Bank of Ghana. A goodwill message was also read on behalf of the Governor.

The ceremony was attended by Rotarians from other districts, PRID Sam Okudzeto, who also serves as District Conference Chair, Past District Governors, Assistant Governors, and other district leaders. RCAA was strongly represented by Past District Governor Dave, Club President David, Immediate Past President Kojo, President-Elect Richard, PAG TOT,



PAG Afua, PP Rho, PP Rosa, PP Peace, PP Alice, and Rotarians Kwasi, Isaac, Gifty, Jemima, Maggie, Dee, and Ivan.

A proud moment for RCAA came when the club received an award for recording the highest per capita contribution to The Rotary Foundation in Rotary District 9104 for the 2025-26 Rotary year. The recognition was a fitting reminder of the club's commitment to supporting Rotary's work and creating lasting impact.

The night ended on a high note, with culture celebrated, leadership renewed, and RCAA inspired to keep creating lasting impact.

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Achievements

Four Leaders, One Commitment: Congratulations to Our New RLI Graduates!



The Rotary Club of Accra-Airport is delighted to celebrate the successful completion of the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Graduate Course by PP Peace, PP Rosa, Rtn Gifty, and Rtn Betty.

This outstanding achievement reflects their dedication to continuous learning, leadership development, and Rotary's commitment to excellence in service. Through the RLI Graduate Course, they have further strengthened the knowledge, skills, and leadership qualities needed to make an even greater impact within our club, our district, and the communities we serve.

Congratulations to PP Peace, PP Rosa, Rtn Gifty, and Rtn Betty on reaching this important milestone. We are proud of your accomplishment and look forward to your continued leadership as we live out Rotary's motto of Service Above Self.



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Rotaract Corner

A New Chapter at the Rotaract Club of Accra-Airport (RoCAA)

The Rotaract Club of Accra Airport held its annual handover ceremony on July 8th, 2026, marking the transition of leadership from the outgoing 2025/2026 board to the incoming 2026/2027 board. The outgoing president expressed gratitude for the opportunity to lead and assured the club of her continued support. Louisa Banzini Mahama was sworn in as the fifth president, pledging her commitment to the club and its values alongside her incoming board.











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Handing Over Ceremony

The meeting marked the official handover of leadership from IPP Kojo to RP David. IPP Kojo presented a comprehensive review of the 2025–26 Rotary year, highlighting growth in club membership from 69 to 75 members, the successful execution of 12 impactful service projects, a Rotary Foundation contribution of over USD 64,000, a 96% dues collection rate, and healthy cash reserves. He reflected on key leadership lessons and expressed appreciation to members and his family. RP David was then installed as Club President for the 2026–27 Rotary year and outlined his vision of building a stronger, more engaged club through active participation, service, Foundation giving, innovation, and accountability. The new Board was introduced, outstanding members were recognized, and members were encouraged to support the Rotary Foundation and attend the 2027 Rotary International Convention in Barcelona.

Attendance: 32 club members, 10 visiting Rotarians, 9 Rotaractors, 8 guests, together with District Governor Jack Andrews Dotsey and three Past District Governors.

Money Raised: GHS 7,050 and USD 1,750, comprising dues, silly fines, raffle proceeds and boggie contributions.

8 July 2026

Rotary International President's Message & District Goals

Members received an overview of the priorities for the 2026–27 Rotary year through a presentation by Assistant Governor Roma Puni. The session introduced Rotary International President Olayinka Hakeem Babalola, reviewed Rotary's seven Areas of Focus, highlighted District Governor Jack Andrews Dotsey's leadership achievements, and outlined District 9104's six strategic goals. Emphasis was placed on membership growth, Foundation giving, impactful service, public image, youth development, leadership training, and collaboration with Rotaract clubs as essential elements for achieving Club Excellence.

Attendance: 36 Rotarians and 1 guest.

Money Raised: No funds were recorded during the meeting, although members were asked to pay a GHS 30 virtual meeting fine.

Meetings Recap

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15 July 2026

Classification Talk by Rotarian Charity

Rotarian Charity delivered her Classification Talk, sharing her personal journey from Techiman to becoming Head of Audit at the National Vaccine Institute. She reflected on her education, professional career in auditing and public finance, daily responsibilities, and passion for service and community impact. Members also received a Foundation update, which outlined the club's Annual Fund and Polio Fund targets, plans for fundraising activities, and incentives to encourage members to attain Paul Harris Fellow status. The meeting concluded with special recognition of PAG Afua Ababio for her outstanding service as Assistant Governor.

Attendance: 14 Rotarians, 3 visiting Rotarians, 1 Rotaractor and 2 guests.

Money Raised: GHS 9,795 and USD 200, mainly from dues together with mystery fines, raffle and boggie proceeds.

22 July 2026

Childhood Developmental Milestones

The meeting featured an educational presentation by Rotarian Naana Agyemang-Mensah on childhood developmental milestones. The session covered expected physical, social, cognitive and sensory development from birth through the toddler years, signs that may require medical attention, and guidance for parents on healthy child development. The speaker also discussed responsible technology use, recommending limited screen time for young children and sharing best practices from pediatric and optometric associations to promote healthy development.

Attendance: 41 Rotarians, 9 Rotaractors and 19 guests.

Money Raised: No significant funds were recorded, although GHS 20 meeting fines were announced for members.

29 July 2026

Team Formation and Orientation

The Membership Director, PP Oboshie, presented on the club groupings and buddies for 2026–27. The Committee decided to keep the current groupings and buddies intact to preserve “Synergy, Bonding, and Accountability” that members have built together. Each group was asked to: 1) name a Group Leader by July 31st to coordinate activities and communication, and 2) to take on rotating responsibilities including sharing Rotary Information, organizing a “Mystery” segment, and collecting Silly Fines. These new roles are in addition to each group’s existing duties on projects and firesides. The presentation closed by thanking members for their commitment and encouraging the groups to keep growing stronger together.

Attendance: 21 Rotarians, 4 guests

Money Raised: GHS 3,230 and USD 2,600, mainly from dues, Polio Fund together with mystery fines, raffle and boggie proceeds.

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Rtn Godwin



Full name: **Godwin Adjei-Gyamfi**
Classification: **Legal Services**
Member for: **1 year**
Group: **4**

PP Kofi



Full name: **Kofi Adu-Mensah**
Classification: **Financial Analysis**
Member for: **25 years**
Group: **1**

PP Peace



Full name: **Peace Akwei-Brock**
Classification: **Administration**
Member for: **16 years**
Group: **4**

Rtn Ivan



Full name: **Ivan Avereyireh**
Classification: **Insurance**
Member for: **7 years**
Group: **1**

Rtn Isaac



Full name: **Isaac Bortsie**
Classification: **Electrical Engineering**
Member for: **2 years**
Group: **2**

Rtn Maggie D



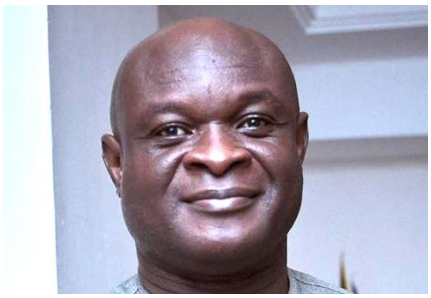
Full name: **Margaret Donkor**
Classification: **Public Relations**
Member for: **17 years**
Group: **2**

PP Dan



Full name: **Dan Gyimah**
Classification: **Merchant Banking**
Member for: **25 years**
Group: **3**

Rtn Francis



Full name: **Francis Kwame Kudjawu**
Classification: **Piloting**
Member for: **2 years**
Group: **3**

Get to know our members

Members Spotlight

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This edition of *Members Through The Lens* remembers and celebrates the inauguration of District Governor Jack Andrews Dotsey.

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New Rotary Cloth is here!

We're excited to announce the launch of our new District cloth! More than just a fabric, it is a symbol of our shared identity, fellowship, and commitment to service.

We encourage every member to purchase the new cloth and wear it with pride at DG's visit and other occasions. Let's come together to proudly showcase the spirit of Rotary - get your District cloth today!



Updates & Announcements

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Month Theme & Activities

THEME

As we observe Membership and New Club Development Month, we commit to growing Rotary by inviting new members to experience the joy of service, strengthening engagement among our current members, and supporting the formation of new clubs that extend Rotary's reach into more communities. Together, we can build a stronger, more vibrant Rotary that continues to make a lasting impact.

ACTIVITIES

Week 1

5th – District Governor's Official Visit

Location: The Africa Regent Hotel

Week 2

12th - Membership Talk

Location: In Person – Virtual (Zoom)

Week 3

19th – Rotaract Presentation and interaction

Location: The Africa Regent Hotel

Week 4

26th - Welfare Talk: Personal Financial Planning

Location: Virtual (Zoom)

29th – Back to School Project

Location: In person | TBA

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News from the Rotary Club of Accra-Airport

Thank you!

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us.

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