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MOGA Accra Chapter in sizzling action!!!

Many MOGAns thought a Kumasi-based President would bring the Accra Chapter's activities to a standstill. That has been anything but the case. Under the strong leadership of its vibrant executive team, and guided by a carefully-crafted calendar, the Accra Chapter meetings are seeing increased member turnout..

In May, member buzz joined widely-circulated advertisements to lure a packed house for speaker Phaedra Yamson-Osei. Mrs. Yamson-Osei (MOGA '81) delivered a gripping address on cervical cancer. If you missed this meeting, do yourself a favor and access the presentation which was widely distributed to members, and on various social networks. Picking up on the healthcare theme from May, the June meeting offered members a free health screening done by kind courtesy of Dr. Daniel Osei. Dr. Osei is a lecturer at the University of Ghana Medical School and Head of the Immunology and DNA departments of Korle-Bu Teaching Hospital - Mrs. Yamson-Osei's husband. Members stayed well into the night to wait their turn to consult Dr. Osei and his team who took urine samples and analyzed them for various common symptoms. In the same month, the Chapter instituted a purple day where members wore purple to pledge their support for the Association.

The July meeting was programmed to be the 'Mid-year Harvest' fundraising event. As is always done at the Accra

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Dining Hall Extension

New Dining Hall Extension

In the maiden issue of this newsletter we reported that the Dining Hall expansion project was underway. We're happy to report the Dining Hall expansion, sponsored by the Parent Teacher Association (PTA), is almost complete; on track for full use when the students return to school from their long vacation. The Dining Hall extension will bring to an end the shift system the students had to endure in order to have their meals. MOGA salutes the PTA and thanks them for the yeoman's job. We hope this kind gesture from the PTA will spur MOGA on to complete the Visual Arts Studio project, which commenced way before the dining hall extension.

Chapter meetings, members celebrating their birthdays that month bring refreshments—turning the fundraiser into a full-scale bash complete with an assortment of saliva-inducing goodies. Indeed the July celebrants made their fellow members green with envy when they came to the meeting dressed in mauve Lacoste t-shirts bearing the inscription, “July Obaa Sima.” The icing on the cake—besides the beautiful birthday cake the July birthday girls cut and shared with all—was the surprise performance by young musician Akoo Nana! You do not want to miss the surprises in store for August..

MOGA-UK Sponsored Walk & Alumni Thanksgiving Service



MOGA-UK sponsored their first fundraising walk on 29 May 2011 at Victoria Park; thanks to high-spirited participants and cooperative weather, all ran smoothly. In fact, the 5.3KM walk was not enough for the energetic group of MOGAns who participated—they’ve all agreed to up the ante with a 10.6 kms next year! Victoria Park did not know what hit it as MOGAns kept up a chorus of old interco songs as they kept pace with the goal of raising £900.00.

Thanks to Maude Chinery, MOGA-UK took the lead role in organizing the 1st ever Old Schools Alumni Thanksgiving Service on Sunday, 10 July 2011 with resounding success. In attendance were Alumni from Adisadel, Accra Academy, Aburi Girls, Holy Child, Presbyterian Boys Secondary School (Legon), St Augustine’s Secondary School, St John’s Grammar School, St Monica’s, Tema Secondary School and Wesley Girls High School. Mfantsiman Girls Secondary School was also well represented with over 30 MOGAns in attendance. It was an exceptional gathering, and a pleasure to give thanks to God in such a reunion.

MOGA Launches "Pay GHC 10" campaign to complete Visual Arts Studio project

At its last meeting held at the Mfantsiman Senior Girls’ High School, Saltpond, the MOGA Executive Committee launched a special campaign to raise GHC 15,000,000 to complete the construction of a Visual Arts Studio for the school. The money would specifically be used for plumbing and electrical works, construction of a septic tank, external works, floor finish, painting, and decoration. The President of the Association, Dr Grace Bolfrey-Arku said the campaign aims to get each member of the association to contribute GHC10 towards the cause. "I urge the executives of all the Association’s chapters to take this initiative seriously and

encourage their members to pay the monies, said the President. She commended Marilyn Maher (*nee Kwakwa*) in the UK for initiating the move to raise money from MOGAns around the world.

MOGA loses a Legend, Pioneer, Headmistress and a Mother



The Late Elizabeth Amponsah Afedua Croffie

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of Mrs. Elizabeth Croffie (*nee Amoah*), former Headmistress of Mfantsiman Girls’ Secondary School. Mrs. Croffie was born on 16 August 1945 in Apam. She graduated from the University of Cape Coast in 1970 and soon after began her career at Mfantsiman Girls’ Secondary School – having attended the school prior. Croffie was the 1st student to step foot on the school campus when it opened in 1960. As a student, Croffie was a leader; she was Chinery House Prefect, Library Prefect, Chapel Prefect, Entertainment Prefect, and Scripture Union President. She continued to lead in service upon graduating from University.

From 1970 to 1974, she taught Geography, Religious Studies and Home Science whilst serving as Engmann Housemistress and Library Mistress. Between 1974 and 1987 she taught at the Business Secondary School in Tamale; Fijai Secondary School, Sekondi; and Accra High School. In Accra she became MOGA President. Croffie returned to Mfantsiman in 1987 to take her position as Headmistress until 2003. Mrs. Croffie sadly passed away on her 66th birthday on Tuesday, 16 August 2011. She will be sorely missed for her songs, motherly spirit and charisma.

Funeral rites will be on Friday, 30 September 2011. The burial service will be on Saturday, 1 October 2011 at St. Andrew's Anglican Church, Abossey Okai, Accra, and subsequently interned at her hometown in Apam. On Sunday, 2 October 2011, there will be a Thanksgiving Service at the same church. The MOGA Executive Committee encourages MOGAns to attend in their numbers and show their support to the Croffie family by donating through the various approved channels. The attire will be the MOGA cloth.