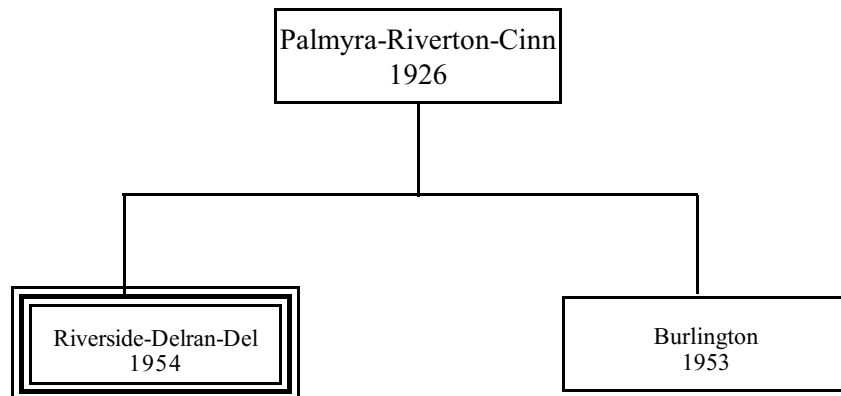


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Rotary Club of Riverside-Delran- Delanco, N.J.



75th Anniversary History of District 764

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Chartered	April 29, 1954	Meets: Tuesdays at 12:15 PM at Pirates Inn, Moorestown-Centerton Rd., Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054 (609) 235-5737
Sponsored By	Palmyra-Riverton-Cinnaminson	

Charter Members

OFFICE	NAME OF MEMBER
President	Lester Drenk Raymond Anderson Walter Barton Charles Beck E.R. Bowers, Earl Bozarth Charles Candy Joseph Denneker William Eck Joseph Edel Harold Freck Joseph R. Fuller Charles Gould David Jones Robert Laslocky William Link Edward Miller William Phillips Bernard J. Plone Joseph Quattrone Donald Schlenger Edward Siegfried Kenneth Tice Clarence Wallace

Riverside Club Led Way in Backing of Dominican Orphanage.

In 1984, the Riverside, Delran, Delanco Rotary Club asked District 764 to approve a World Community Service project to build a dormitory to help refurbish a run-down orphanage in the city of Santo Domingo in the Dominican Republic.

The request was made after member Harold Wooden was shocked to discover the wretched condition of the orphanage while on a vacation to the Dominican, and returned to appeal to his own Riverside, Delran, Delanco club to lend its assistance.

Initially, the club established a scholarship fund to feed the nearly 300 children who were living in the orphanage.

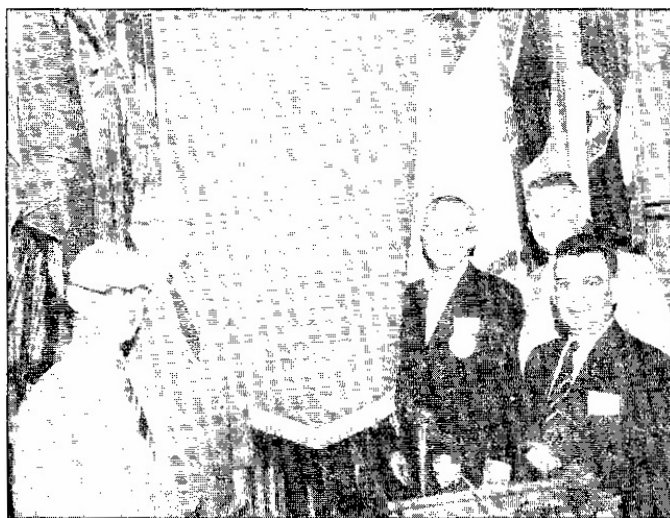
But since that time, the project has become one of the largest and most significant World Community Service projects in Rotary International and has had heartwarming district-wide support.

A new dormitory recently was dedicated as the Armando Rosenberg Home and School for poor orphaned children - a ceremony attended by Wooden and other District 764 Rotarians - and is just part of an ongoing effort to refurbish the facility.

(The home is named in the memory of a past district governor of District 406 in the Dominican Republic.) Wooden has made frequent trips to the Dominican in his continuing interest in the project, and numerous other Rotarians from throughout District 764 have followed his lead.

The project has been a proud feather in the cap of the Riverside, Delran, Delanco club for its leadership efforts, and also has served to further unite the district in a common cause that spectacularly epitomizes Rotary's international spirit.

Sponsored by Palmyra-Riverton,-Cinnaminson Rotary, the club was chartered April 29, 1954, and officially received it from R.I. two weeks later on May 13. The first organizational meeting was conducted at Hillside Farms on Route 130, and charter night was held at the Riverside Fire Hall with Judge .Lester Drenk installed as the club's first president. There were 24 charter members,



A picture from Riverside's charter night, May 13, 1954. From left to right: Robert Adams, PDG 52-53; Hartley Cove, then District Governor; Lester Drenk, Charter President; Carl Butterfoss, Special Representative; and Henry Naisby.

From its beginning, Riverside, Delran, Delanco has been a busy club which has prided itself on serving its collective communities with a long list of worthwhile projects.

In 1969, the club welcomed its first exchange student, Helge Loytved of Germany, and later presented him a student loan to attend the University of Pennsylvania. The relationship between Loytved and the club has been a strikingly memorable one. He later became a federal judge in Germany, and on his frequent trips back to the United States visits the Rotary club which helped him launch his career. In fact, he has been made an honorary member of the club.

Two projects started in the early 1970s are still successful today.

In 1971, the club initiated its annual Pancake Breakfast as a primary fund-raiser. Club members serve breakfast to more than 400 people every year at the event.

In '72, the club started its American Red Cross Blood Drive which since has evolved into two annual drives one in the summer and one in the winter - which attract more than 200 donors each time.

Riverside, Delran, Delanco in 1980 decided to hold a Handicapped Children's Party as a Rotary International 75th anniversary project. It was instantly successful, and has become a popular annual event. The party attracts more than 500 people for lunch, dancing, music, by the Riverside String Band, and appearances by numerous celebrities - a marvelous example of "Service Above Self."

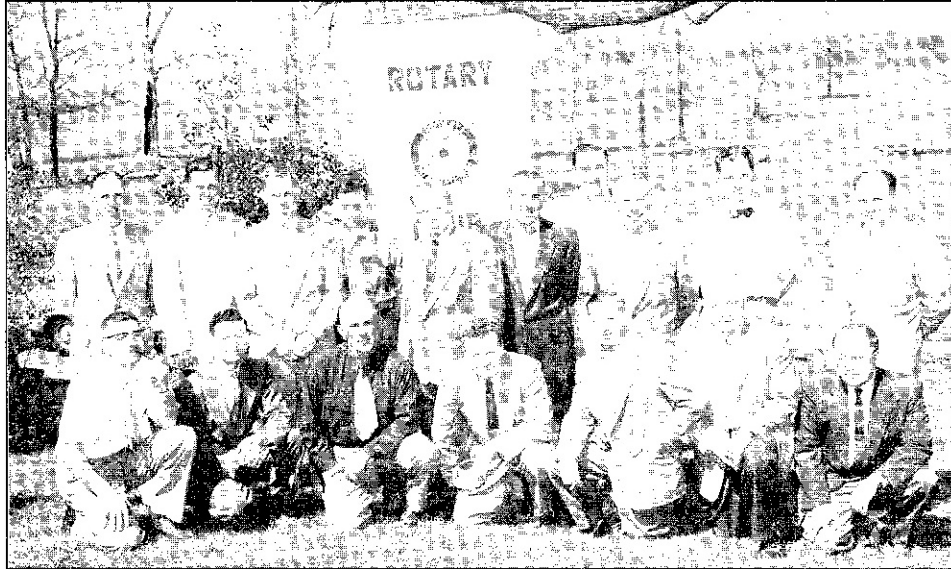
Also in 1980, the club started an Interact Club at Delran High School. In subsequent years, it started similar organizations at two other local high schools, Riverside and Holy Cross, and today continues to support all three. The club has prided itself through the years in its presentation of Paul Harris Fellow awards to

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dedicated, hardworking members. Currently there are 12 Fellows on the club's membership rolls.



Riverside Rotarians at an organizational meeting in April of 1954. Pictured are (back row, left to right): William Link, Joseph Denneler, Harold Freck, Charles Beck, Charles Gould, Edward Miller, Edward Siegfried, Lester Drenk, and Donald Schlenger. (Front row, left to right) Robert Laslocky, Rev. David Jones, Raymond Anderson, E.R. Bowers, William E-k, James Phillips,-, and Kenneth Tice.

Presidents

1954-55	Lester Drenk	1972-73	John I. Sweeney
1955-56	Robert Laslocky	1973-74	William A. Chester
1956-57	J- Charles Gould	1974-75	John B. McPherson
1957-58	Jack Hutton	1975-76	Charter A. Thielman
1958-59	Joseph Schwendt	1976-77	Daniel Paolini
1959-60	Clyde Creato	1978-79	Wayne Lippincott
1960-61	William Link	1979-80	Robert Cavella
1961-62	Bernard Plone	1980-81	Frank C. Capece
1962-63	Henry S. Freynik	1981-82	Anthony Casale
1963-64	Russell W. Stiles	1.982-83	Richard Neit7CI
1964-65	Peter B. Tursi	1.983-84	Michael F. Chiaccio
1965-66	Edward Bart	1984-8S	Charles F. Forsell
1966-67	Kenneth Tice	1935-86	Gary W. Chiaccio
1967-68	Harry Buch	1986-87	David IG- Lamborne
1968-69	Harold .W Pfau	1987-88	Anthony Montagna
1969-70	Barry G. Sandman	1988-89	Angelo Aiello
1971-72	Howard Sprague	1989-90	John Busillo