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Dear Friends,

NEWSLETTER

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The main purpose of this letter is to tell you about the plans for the visit to Ghana next year and issue a "last call" to any of you who would like to join it. The visit will take place between 26 March & 6 April at an overall cost of approx £1100/1200, depending on the internal trips undertaken; there will be optional visits to the Volta Dam/Lake and Ho with overnight stay; and visits to either Cape Coast or Kumasi & Tamale, involving 4/5 nights stay. We are negotiating with the Ghana Tourist Board about the charges in State hotels (eg Ambassador); if successful, costs could be reduced by approx £150. The price quoted by Africa Travel Centre for organising all the arrangements holds good until 1 December, so if you are interested please contact Eric Earle immediately: 1 Western Down, Guildown Road, Guildford, Surrey GU2 5EW Tel 0483 62690. While staying in Accra and the other centres there will be opportunities to see old friends and make local visits to old haunts; for those interested there will be some school visits and meetings with officials about the objectives of Ghana School Aid - the Secretary (Minister) for Education has sent a welcoming message via Sam Essah whom some of us know. Other friends including Jimmy Anang, Robert Asiedu and Kofi Ohene are helping with arrangements at that end. Do join the party.

Other news: The Lunch in June was very enjoyable with about 40 present and a most interesting talk about Kwame Nkrumah by his recent Biographer David Rooney. It was a great pleasure to have Jack Marshall and Frank Ward (now one of our Patrons) with us. We shall try to arrange another reunion next year, though much of the time of your "officers" is taken up at present with the Ghana Visit plans. If you have views (about time of year etc) do write to Warren Shaw or me.

Warren, Eric and Auriol Earle and I attended a Reception on 10 October organised by the Anglo-Ghanaian Society in honour of the UK High Commissioner-designate to Ghana. It was a very enjoyable occasion and we made some useful contacts for GSA. I hope to enclose a leaflet on the A G Society and some of you may wish to join.

The Committee have been talking to a recently-returned VSO volunteer about assisting a teaching resources Centre which she has helped to set up at the Training College at Akrokerrri and we have voted £500 towards this project. Warren and Eric have had discussions with Mrs. Efua Sutherland (whom some of you will remember) Chairman of the Ghana Commission for Children about aiding their Village Library projects. We plan that those taking part in the Trip will carry with them some materials for "our" two schools.

With best wishes for Christmas and further progress by Ghana School Aid in 1990.

Yours sincerely,

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