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Interview with Engr. Sir Dikibugerere G. Clifford, MNSE, (KSC)

Engr. Sir Dikibugerere G. Clifford, MNSE, (KSC), is the Chairman of the Nigerian Society of Engineers Bonny Island Branch.

E-Newsletter: *As a Branch Chairman, how do you think engineering can get all corners of our society?*

Clifford: I think engineering can get to all corners of the society in three main ways. First by way of sustained advocacy through electronic and the print media. Secondly by way of concerted rural development by all three tiers of government and thirdly by encouraging small and medium enterprises.

E-Newsletter: *What approach do you think can be used to enable Young Engineers participate more in engineering activities?*

Clifford: Advocacy is all about allaying the fears that engineering is a difficult course to study and it is only meant for a few very intelligent boys. APWEN is already working hard at that but their efforts must be complimented by NSE and COREN. Also branches should assist secondary school students by working with young engineers to teach extra moral classes in science and engineering related subjects. The Bonny and other branches are already on that and the results are encouraging. A lot of government and oil company projects are sited at already developed



Dikibugerere Clifford,

urban areas leaving the rural areas to continue in their states of underdevelopment. This trend can be reversed and that will encourage rural dwellers to be involved in engineering activities. This will reduce rural urban drift and create awareness in rural dwellers as well as take engineering to all corners of the society. Many oil companies have operational bases in remote corners of the society but they do not add value to the lives of rural dwellers. This is simply unfair and should be discouraged. Encouraging small and medium enterprises by giving out soft loans and special grants from government and private individuals and non governmental organizations. Special training of young engineers on the job and offering scholarship to people on engineering related crafts and technology will also help engineering to get to all corners of society. The population of Nigeria is over 70 million and the geography is very challenging so any engineer at any corner of the society solving the daily problems of the society must surely break even. Young engineers in Nigeria are frustrated due to lack of adequate employment. To enable young engineers participate more actively in engineering activities, they should be induced in kind and in cash. Inducement creates enthusiasm. This period of global economic recession is the best time to induce young unemployed engineering graduates. This is because a very small amount will attract most of them to get involved in an engineering activity. Certainly after the recession comes the boom. Young engineers want to know what they will gain by getting involved in engineering activities, so if the extra curricula activities are interesting, then many young engineers will get involved.



The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch General Meeting/Technical Evening held on Thursday, 31st March 2016 at Engr. Ishmael A. Banigo secretariat, Water Works Yard, #3 Bernard Carr Street, Port Harcourt. A technical presentation titled "Impact of Climate Change on Transportation Infrastructure in Nigeria: A Case Study of Rivers State" was delivered by Engr. Pastor George Senibo, MNSE. The meeting was chaired by the Branch Chairman Engr. Emmanuel Idoni-boye, MNSE (middle in photograph).



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Cycling and other engineering games should be taken very seriously by the branches. Also, older richer engineers should sponsor activities of young engineers. "Circumstance does not make the man; it reveals him to himself" says James Allen. Many young engineers are very enthusiastic about life transforming activities. That is things that will enhance their status in society. It is not enough for us to have good ideas, we need to dream big in the face of anguish and hardship. "Ideologies separate us, Dreams and anguish bring us together" says Eugene Ionesco. There is enough

anguish in the hearts of our young engineers. The ideas they acquired in the universities can only cause desperation but dreams in the face of challenging unemployment can take them into strategic thinking. Any little assistance they get from any where will make them to show serious interest in engineering activities.

E-Newsletter: Thank you sir.



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(Fee is inclusive of course materials, tea/coffee, lunch, tuition, group photograph and certificate)

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