



ROTARY BEACON



The Morehead City Evening Rotary Club

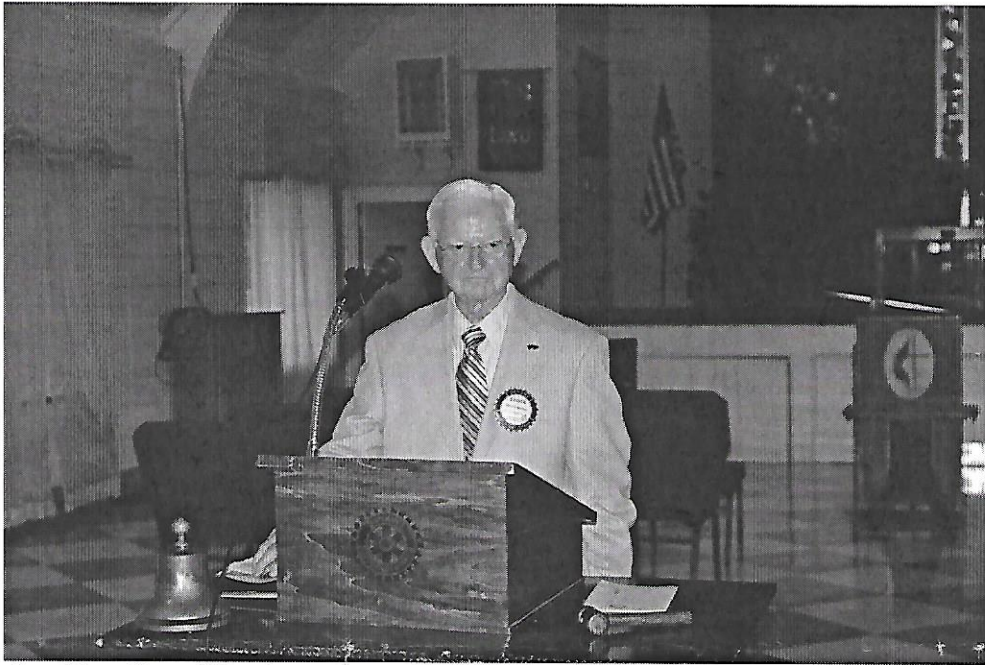
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Rotary Motto: Service Above Self

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President Council Renfrow Welcomes GSE Team to Morehead City

Mauritian Group Study Exchange Team Visits Morehead City

It is my pleasure tonight to welcome the Group Study Exchange Team from Mauritius to Morehead City. The island is well known for its natural beauty. Author Mark Twain, for example, noted in *Following the Equator*, his personal travelogue, "You gather the idea that Mauritius was made first and then heaven, and that heaven was copied after Mauritius".

For those of you who have forgotten your geography, Mauritius, is an island nation off the coast of the African continent in the southwest Indian Ocean, about 900 kilometres (560 mi) east of Madagascar. In addition to the island of Mauritius, the Republic includes the islands of St. Brandon, Rodrigues and the Agalega Islands. Mauritius is part of the Mascarene Islands, with the French island of Réunion 200 km (125 mi) to the southwest and the island of Rodrigues 570 km (350 mi) to the northeast.

The island of Mauritius is renowned for having been the only known home of the dodo. The dodo is a lesson in extinction. First sighted around 1600 on Mauritius, the dodo was extinct less than eighty years later.

Tomorrow morning David Bradley has arranged to take the GSE Team to Cape Lookout Lighthouse and in the afternoon the team will have an opportunity to visit Fort Macon, one of America's finest Civil War forts. See David if you wish to accompany the team on this outing.

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Call: 726-7460 (or)

The Four-Way Test

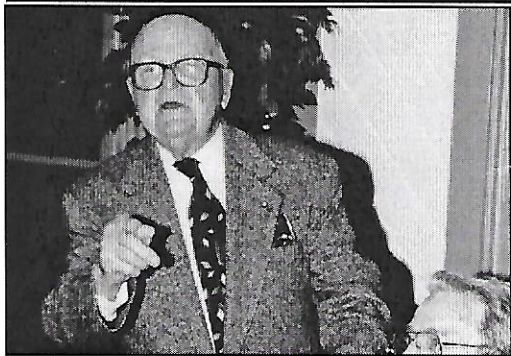
1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

Jim Phillips has the program tonight. His program will be presented by the GSE Team from Mauritius.

Program Schedule for May/June

<u>Date</u>	<u>Rotarian</u>	<u>Ave. of Service</u>
May 7	Dick Rogers	Voc. Service
May 14	Demus Thompson	Voc. Service
May 21	James Walker	Voc. Service
May 28	Bill Ward	Voc. Service
June 4	Neil Whitford	Comm. Service
June 11	Brian Boyette	Comm. Service
June 18	Jim Chalk	Comm. Service



BE THERE!!

Don't forget that 8:00 am, Saturday a tree will be planted in Morehead City Rotary Park in my honor. It would make me very happy if the entire club would attend the ceremony.

APRIL ANNIVERSARY

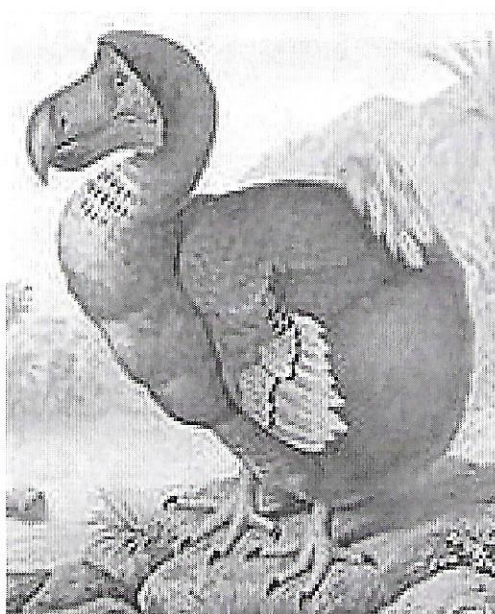


Earl & Maxine Lewis
April 30

Interesting Facts About Mauritius

Despite having a low GDP, Mauritius is widely regarded as a developed country as the GDP is enough for all 1.3 million people. Since independence in 1968, Mauritius has developed from a low-income, agriculturally based economy to a middle income diversified economy with growing industrial, financial, and tourist sectors. For most of the period, annual growth has been of the order of 5% to 6%. This has been reflected in increased life expectancy, lowered infant mortality and an improved infrastructure.

The economy is mainly dependent on sugarcane plantations, tourism, textiles, and services, but other sectors are rapidly developing as well. Mauritius has the seventh-highest GDP per capita in Africa.



The Dodo Bird

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10/6/15 *Tommy*

FIND YOUR TEAM

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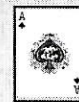
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Garner, Jim 252-726-2478
Chalk, Jim 252-726-8043

Ace of Spades Drawing Tonight's Jackpot

\$485.00



**37 Cards
Remaining in Deck**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * Dick Rogers has the program and silent auction next week.
- * The After Hour's Rotary Club is meet with us tonight.

* District Governor Lee Dixon will visit our club May 14. The purpose of his visit is to present the The Morehead City Rotary Club with a banner inscribed: **Morehead City Evening Rotary Club 100% Paul Harris Fellows**