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The Morehead City Evening Rotary Club



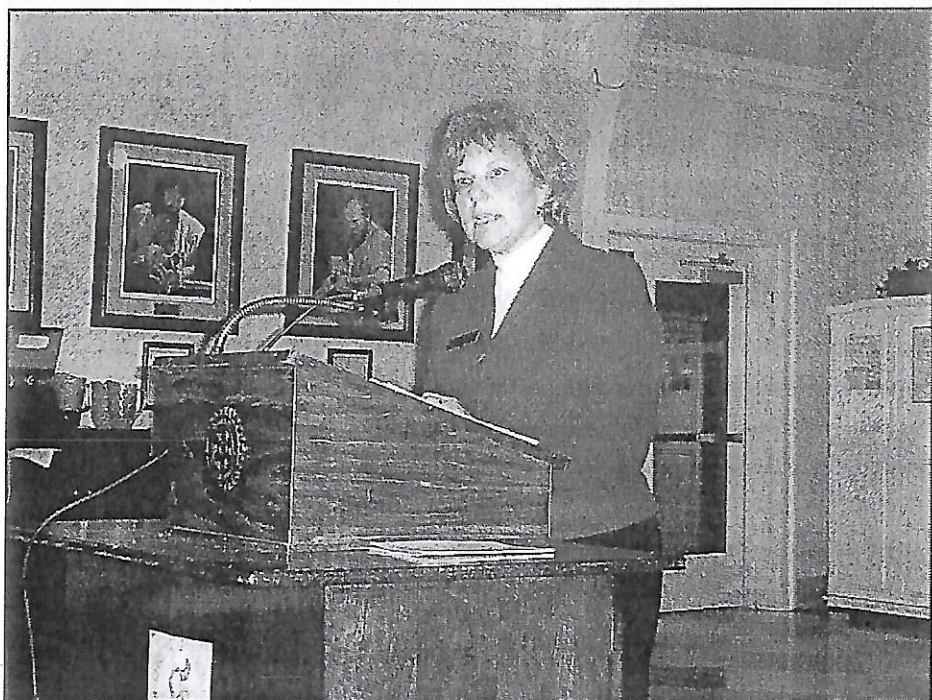
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Ronald McDonald House Helps Parents Be Near Their Children During Illness

Council Renfrow had the program last week. His guest speaker was Phyllis Flye, director of the Greenville Ronald McDonald House--a home away from home for families of seriously ill or injured children seeking medical treatment at area medical facilities.

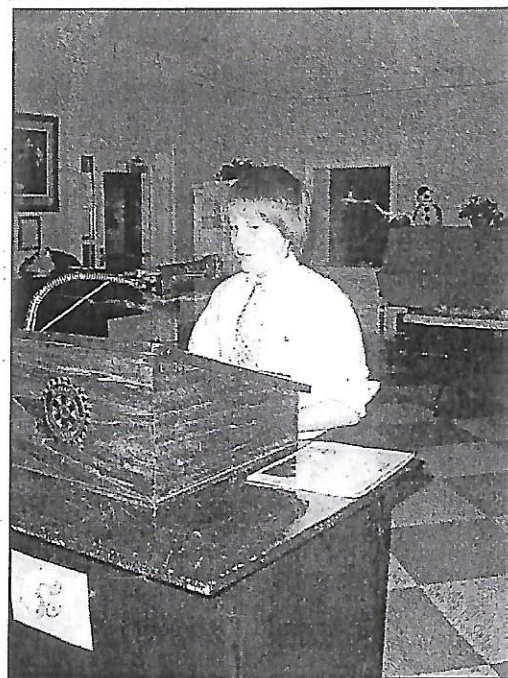
Phyllis said the Greenville Ronald McDonald House opened its doors on Father's Day in 1987. Families staying at the Ronald McDonald House can sleep in a warm bed, take a shower in their private bathroom, do laundry, and prepare and eat meals in a spacious, cheerful kitchen. They have access to a comfortable family room, a media/game room, a children's playroom, a sunroom, a relaxing patio, and well-kept grounds. More importantly, families find the support of others who share the experience of having a very ill child. The House provides a supportive, welcoming environment in a spacious and comfortable two-story, 15,000 square foot facility which offers loads of amenities.

Phyllis said the primary illnesses which bring families to the Ronald McDonald House include complications from premature birth (40.2%), heart problems (15.56%), cancer (7.84%) and trauma (9.44%).

The Ronald McDonald House Charities continue to contribute about 20 percent of the cost of the house's operations. Every dollar raised locally remains in the Greenville Ronald McDonald House.

The Four-Way Test A Guide to Live By

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?"



Off To Washington DC

Rollie Edwards, a seventh grader at Morehead Middle School, has been selected to attend the National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, DC to sharpen his leadership skills. The trip costs \$1,800. Rollie is speaking to all Rotary Clubs to elicit our support. The training he will receive is comparable to RYLA, but on a grander scale. Sounds like the program dovetails well with Rotary's emphasis on youth leadership development.

Investing in the Future!

You made a difference in my life when I was in the seventh grade! You helped to support me as I embarked on my very first leadership opportunity. I have pursued my goals and continue to grow in my leadership skills. None of these opportunities would be possible without the support of my family, mentors and leaders that I look up to. I am asking you to please consider helping to financially support my opportunity to represent the state of North Carolina in the Future Business Leader's of America National Competition later this month in San Antonio, Texas. I am competing for the National Future Business Leader Award. I placed second in our state and am headed to San Antonio to pursue my goals and learn from the great opportunities that await me there.

I have the support of my family and West Carteret High School (through our local FBLA Chapter). I am asking for your help as I continue to grow and develop my leadership skills! The trip costs approximately \$1,600. I pledge myself to grow and continue to be a servant leader, ethical and true to my calling as a *Future Business Leader* you can count on and trust.



Ruthie
Edwards