



# ROTARY BEACON



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Become part of the effort to protect and preserve the wild horses

## Wild Horses on Shackleford Banks Are A Unique Historical and Cultural Legacy

Sonny Geer had the program last week. His guest speaker was Carolyn Frances Salter Mason. In discussing the horses of Shackleford Banks, Carolyn said the horses descended from a core group of Spanish horses about 400 years ago and that they were a unique historical and cultural legacy for the county. Oral histories and tradition handed down from generation to generation by coastal people say the horses have always been here...and that they came ashore from sinking Spanish ships.

In her efforts to save the horses, Carolyn spearheaded the establishment of a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization whose purpose is to protect the wild horses for future generations to enjoy. "We were so lucky in our efforts to get legislation passed to protect them. It seemed as if all the stars were in alignment. Everyone who could help was there when we needed support. It was truly amazing the way obstacles seemed to magically disappear. The horses were saved from extinction."

### TONIGHT'S SPEAKER

Dave Lindsay has the program tonight. His guest speaker is Carl Tilgman, Tax Administer for the County. Tonight Carl will address the new tax evaluation. The county is conducting informal appeals now, where property owners meet with appraisers to review the value and work to reach an agreement. If an agreement is not reached, appeals can be heard by the Board of Equalization and Review, which is expected to convene in mid-April.

Property owners can appeal until the Board of Equalization closes but they are encouraged to do so as soon as possible so reviews can be completed before the board begins to meet.

The numbers will probably change as the appeals process takes place for taxpayers who contest their valuation. In his talk tonight, Carl will answer questions related to the process.

#### The Four-Way Test

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

Born to run free!!





## Program Schedule for Feb-April

Date	Rotarian	Ave. of Service
Feb 17	Dave Lindsay	Voc. Service
Feb 24	Stanley Harrell	Voc. Service
Mar 3	Earl Lewis	Comm. Service
Mar 10	Jim Gregson	Comm. Service
Mar 17	John Nelson	Comm. Service
Mar 24	Tommy Noe	Comm. Service
Mar 31	Herb Phillips	Inter. Service
April 7	Jim Phillips	Inter. Service



President James Walker presents Carolyn Frances Salter Mason with the traditional Rotary coffee cup for her excellent presentation on the horses of Shackleford Banks...one of Carteret County's treasures.



What is man without the beasts? If all the beasts were gone, man would die from a great loneliness of spirit. For whatever happens to the beasts happens to man. All things are connected. --Chief Seattle

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To Submit Articles to the Rotary Beacon

Call: 726-7460 (or)  
Email: dickrogers28@yahoo.com  
Deadline for submitting articles is Tuesday  
prior to the Thursday meeting.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

The Magic Show is this Saturday at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm at the Crystal Coast Jamboree. Turn in the money tonight for the you have sold. This will be a close one. We need you to sell tickets...desperately.

## Ace of Spades Drawing

49 Cards Remain in Deck



**Tonight's Jackpot**

**\$239.00**

**CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND**

**\$8.01**