

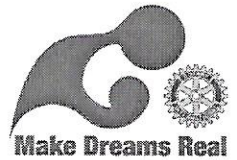


ROTARY BEACON



The Morehead City Evening Rotary Club

Chartered May 19, 1925

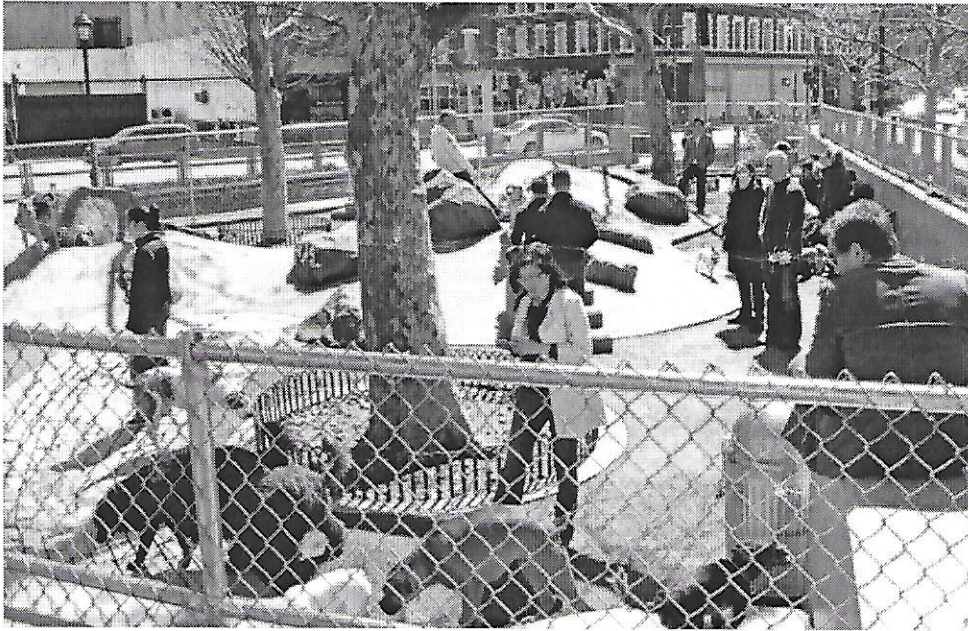


July 31, 2008

Rotary Motto: Service Above Self

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Dog Park Proposed as a Community Service Project



Dogs like to socialize too

Board of Directors Discuss Plans for New Rotary Year

David Bradley, director of International Service, presented last week's program. With the help of the directors of the Four Avenues of Service and President Council Renfrow, he led the club through tentative plans for this Rotary year.

High on the agenda is a proposed dog park for Morehead City. Dick Rogers, who is coordinating the project said he had spoken to City Manager Randy Martin about a possible site for the dog park. Randy will discuss the project with the city council and let the club know soon if there is any land available for the park. In the meantime a survey will be taken to determine the need for a dog park and to get input from citizens in the community.

Jim Gregson spoke about declining membership and proposed a strategy for increasing club membership.

James Walker, club secretary, said

we currently have 23 members. He also said that club attendance was averaging about 75%. He urged members to be more diligent in making up.

David Hall presented last year's budget and emphasized that our income is not keeping pace with our expenses. He has had to dip into the reserve to pay obligations.

Jim Chalk, community service director, asked the club to support whatever community service project we decide on this year...whether it is a dog park or something else the community needs.

Bet Dowty, coordinator of soft drink booths at the Seafood Festival said he had not heard whether we would be manning the booths this year but expects to know soon.

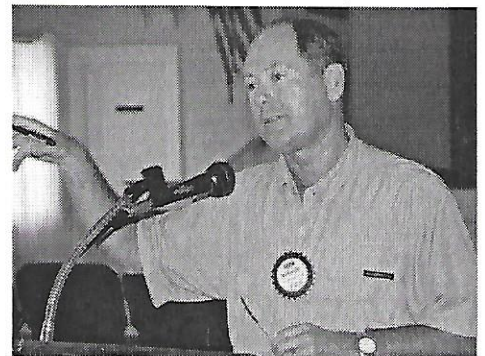
David closed the program by saying that the board of directors would have a plan to present to the club after the next board meeting.

The Four-Way Test

A Guide to Live By

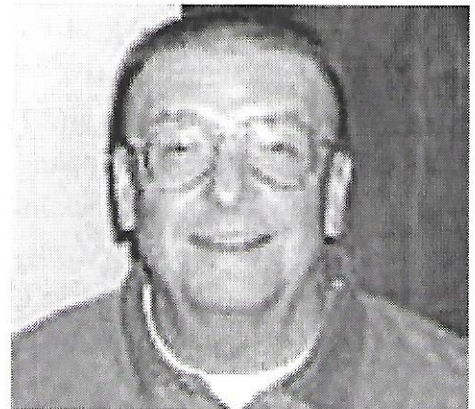
1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"

Last Week's Speaker David Bradley



David Bradley outlines goals and objectives for the coming year. Emphasis will be on building membership, fund-raising to replenish the treasury and community service.

Tonight's Speaker



Rodney Kemp will present a potpourri of material about MHC

Program Schedule for July-August

<u>Date</u>	<u>Rotarian</u>	<u>Ave. of Service</u>
Aug 7	Bill Ward	Voc. Service
Aug 14	Bet Dowty	Voc. Service
Aug 21	Darden Eure, Jr.	Voc. Service
Aug 28	Shelby Freeman	Voc. Service
Sept 4	Jim Garner	Comm. Service
Sept 11	Sonny Geer	Comm. Service



July Anniversaries

Bill & Margie Ward

Demus & Ellen Thompson

July 28

July 30

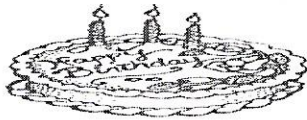


JULY BIRTHDAYS

Darden Eure

Earl Lewis

Sonny Geer



July 16

July 17

July 22

When You Miss a Meeting, Be Sure to Make Up

<u>Club</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Beaufort Old Towne	Mon	12:00 noon	Clawson's
MHC.Lookout	Wed	7:00 am	Carteret Gen. Hospital
MHC. Navigators	Wed	12:00 noon	Bountiful Bagel
MHC. Noon	Tues	12:00 noon	Golden Corral
MHC. Soundview	Thur	12:00 noon	Golden Corral
Newport	Mon	6:30 pm	Rotary Building
Swansboro	Thur	1:00 pm	Rotary Civic Center
Online	Any Day	Any Time	rotaryclubone.org

Why Morehead City Needs a Dog Park

Pet ownership in the United States has increased dramatically over the past 10 years. About 38% of U.S. households currently own dogs. As the dog population increases along with development, regulations need to be in place to promote responsible pet ownership. Facilities need to be provided to allow pet owners and their canine companions to exercise and play together. In Morehead City there are few if any areas where dogs are permitted off leash. A dog park is needed to provide ample quality space for dogs to stretch their legs and run at full tilt for a few minutes each day. A park would

promote the physical and mental well being of both dog and human. Dogs are much like humans. They need a place where they can exercise and socialize with other dogs. Dogs tend to be less aggressive if they are exposed to other dogs during the early stages of their lives. Developing a dog park also allows owners an opportunity to network and promote responsible dog ownership. A dog park makes it less likely that off-leash animals will infringe on the rights of others.

Isn't it about time that Morehead City recognized its canine population and constructed a park where dogs can once again experience the freedom to run and play without being tethered to a leash?

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * Jim Chalk has the program tonight.
- * The Rotary Magazine is out. Lots of good articles to read.
- * The Rotary Board meet Friday. Part of tonight's program will center around decisions that were made at the meeting.
- * Christmas Cheer funds has reached \$282.81. Please continue to put your coins in the Christmas Cheer buckets.

Ace of Spades Drawing Tonight's Jackpot



\$347.00

(46 cards left in Deck)