



# ROTARY BEACON

Rotary Club of Morehead City, NC

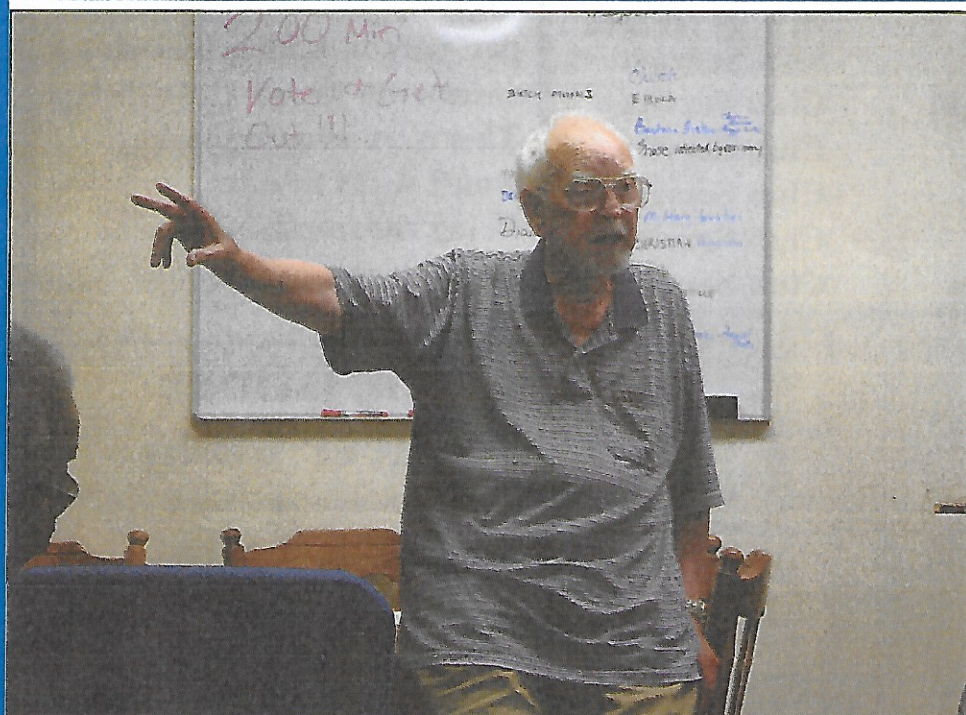
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Rotary Motto: Service Above Self

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Judge finds new career as standup comedian.

## The Life of a Superior Court Judge: It Ain't Easy Dispensing Justice

Last week Rotary Club members got a rare glimpse into the life of Herb Phillips, retired Superior Court Judge. Herb gave a self-deprecating speech heavily laden with humor and witticism. He began his autobiographical sketch with an incident that occurred in the first grade when he was accused of stealing a quarter from a classmate. He was falsely accused, of course, for how would it have looked for a future judge to commit a crime so early in life. After elementary and high school, Herb's enrolled at UNC- Chapel Hill. "Back in those day," Herb said, "the college-would admit anyone whose parents dropped him off on campus or somewhere in the vicinity." After graduating from law school, Herb returned to Morehead City to practice law under the tutelage and guidance of Luther Hamilton. After practicing law for a few years, Herb ran for District Court Judge. He said, "Only two votes were cast against me—one for Mickey Mouse and one for anyone but me. It was not long before Herb's talent for dispensing justice came to the attention of Governor Jim Hunt who appointed him to the Superior Court. After serving 26 years, Herb retired with the respect and approbation of friends and colleagues alike. It is said that judges don't age: time decorates them. Time has clothed Herb with wisdom and a deep sense of justice, tempered with compassion and mercy.

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James Walker has the program tonight. His guest speaker is Capt. Haywood Wilder who will speak on the police department's mentoring program for the youth of MC.



**Program Schedule for Jun/Jul**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Rotarian</u>	<u>Ave. of Service</u>
June 25	James Walker	Voc. Service
July 2	Installation Night	Club Service
July 9	Neil Whitford	Club Service
July 16	Jim Chalk	Club Service
July 23	Win Chalk	Club Service
July 30	Shelby Freeman	Club Service

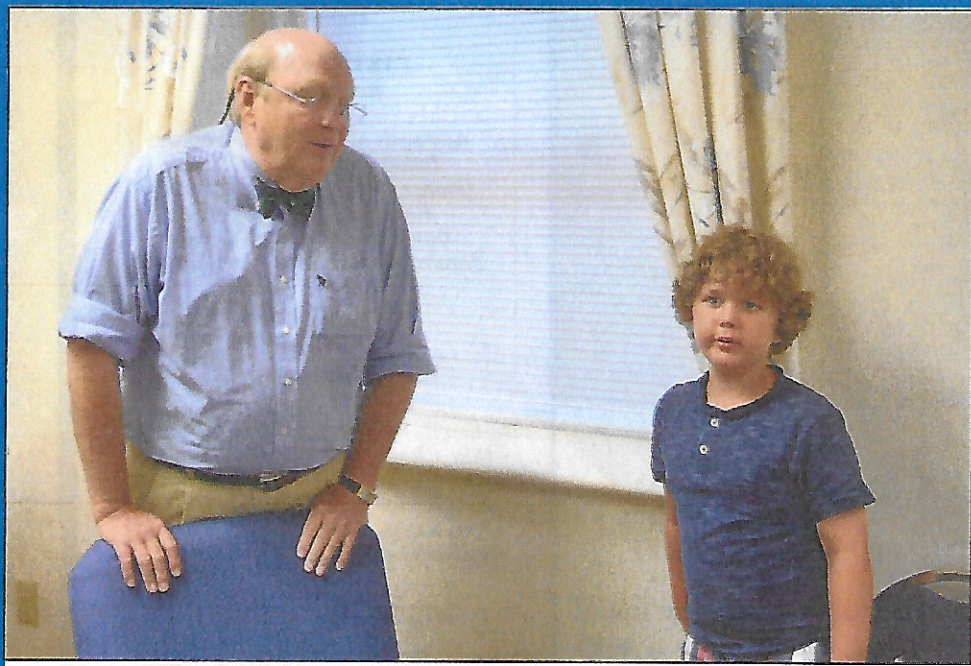
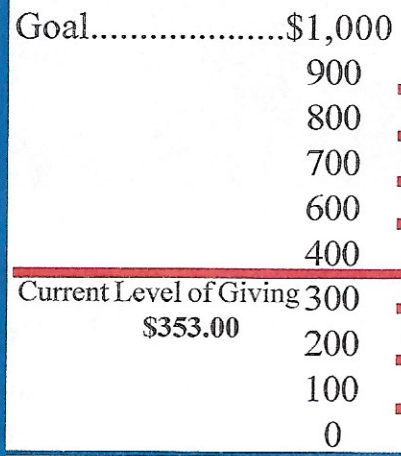
**Take Me Out To The Ball Game**

Rotary Night at the Big Rock Baseball Stadium is set for July 16. The cost is \$10 per person which includes a sandwich from Chic Filet. This is an evening you won't want to miss. Bring the family. Support the Morehead City Marlins.



**Christmas Cheer Fund**

Make some family happy.



**Voice of Maturity Blends with the Voice of Youth: Darden Eure, Jr. and his grandson, Cody, lead the singing.**



**Cody holds his own with the more seasoned Rotary members.**

**Ace of Spades Drawing  
Tonight's Jackpot**

**\$200.00**



**52 Cards  
Remain is Deck**