



ROTARY BEACON



The Morehead City Evening Rotary Club

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Rotary Motto: Service Above Self

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Good news for some, bad news for others; depends on how you look at it

Property Values Go Down--Taxes Decrease For Some--Increase For Others

John Nelson had the program last week. His guest speaker was Randy Martin, Morehead City Town Manager. Randy primarily addressed the reevaluation issue and how it will affect property taxes. He also outlined major improvements that have been made since he last spoke to Rotary

Randy said that the value of much property has decreased substantially in value since the last evaluation. The tax base in Morehead City had decreased about 18% over the last few years. For some people this will mean a lower tax rate; but to others it will mean a tax increase. Previously the rate was 22 cents per hundred. The new rate is projected to be around 27 cents.

One of the major improvements that will benefit the town are the new and improvement water treatment plants. Water will now be softer thus eliminating the need for water softeners. Other improvements include a boat ramp on the Newport River, the renovation of the old News Time Building for a fire station; the opening of Cape Lookout Lighthouse to the public; ferry service from Beaufort to the outer banks; settlement of boundary agreements between Newport, Beaufort and Morehead City; four new restaurants to include I-Hop, Longhorn Steak House, Waffle House, and Five Guys; and last, but not least, the opening of the new 911 center--a county-operated facility on the second floor of the new police department, with the county picking up the cost of designing and equipping the 911 center as well as ongoing operations and staffing.

TONIGHT'S SPEAKER

Tom Noe has the program tonight. His speaker is Mary Brown, Manager of Carteret County JobLink Career Center which is housed in the Employment Security Commission building located on Commerce Avenue, Morehead City.

JobLink Career Centers are user friendly facilities which provide job seekers, training seekers and employers access to a variety of employment and training services all under one roof.

JobLink Career Centers provide employers a single place to address their employment and training needs. Local workforce development professionals from various partner agencies work together to provide the best service for all customers. JobLink Career Centers offer a more convenient, efficient and effective way for all North Carolinians to look for a new or better job. By offering a wide range of service options from self-service to full-service, JobLink Career Centers offer comprehensive training and employment services to the community.

JobLink Career Centers make the best use of scarce resources while serving all citizens of North Carolina. Staff from different agencies work together as a team to provide the most comprehensive and efficient workforce development system possible.

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?

Program Schedule for March-May

<u>Date</u>	<u>Rotarian</u>	<u>Ave. of Service</u>
Mar 24	Tommy Noe	Comm. Service
Mar 31	Herb Phillips	Comm. Service
April 7	Jim Phillips	Inter. Service
April 14	Council Renfrow	Inter. Service
April 21	Dick Rogers	Inter. Service
April 28	Demus Thompson	Inter. Service
May 5	Milton Tripp	Club Service
May 12	Neil Whitford	Club Service
May 19	Brian Boyette	Club Service



Randy Martin was a young man when he moved to Morehead City a "few" years ago. Some things have changed...his hair has gotten grayer, he has filled out a bit, but the smile remains unchanged.

Need a Makeup--Here Are the Locations

<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. Hosp
MHC. Navigators	Wed	12:00 noon	Bountiful Bagel
MHC. Noon	Tues	12:00 noon	Golden Corral
MHC. Soundview	Thur	12:00 noon	Golden Corral
After Hour's	Thur	6:00 pm	Raps
Newport	Mon	6:30 pm	Rotary Building
Swansboro	Thur	1:00 pm	Rotary Civic Center
Online	Any Day	Any Time	rotaryclubone.org

March/April Birthdays

John Nelson
James Walker

March 28
April 19

ROTARY CLUB OFFICERS

PRESIDENT
James Walker

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Dave Lindsay

SECRETARY
Jim Gregson

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David Hall

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David Bradley

Avenues of Service Directors
Dick Rogers, Voc. Service
Jim Chalk, Com. Service
David Bradley, Inter. Service
Stanley Harrell, Club Service

Sergeant-at-Arms
Bet Dowty

Members

Brian Boyette	John Nelson
Win Chalk	Tom Noe
Darden Eure, Jr.	Herb Phillips
Shelby Freeman	Jim Phillips
Jim Garner	Council Renfrow
Albert Gaskill	Gerald (Buddy) Renfrow
Sonny Geer	Demus Thompson
Jim Gregson	Milton Tripp
Earl Lewis	Neil Whitford

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.

HOPE

There is no medicine like hope, no incentive so great, and no tonic so powerful as expectation of something tomorrow.

Ace of Spades Drawing

45 Cards Remain in Deck



Tonight's Jackpot

\$290.00

CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND

\$9.16