



ROTARY BEACON



The Morehead City Evening Rotary Club

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Albert surrounded by fellow Rotarians on his 100th birthday

Albert Gaskill, One of the Oldest Rotarians in the United States, Celebrates His 100th Birthday

Last week the Morehead City Evening Rotary Club journeyed to Selma, NC to celebrate Albert Gaskill's birthday. Albert was born 100 years ago on October 10, 1910 in Beaufort. He studied at UNC Chapel Hill and with the great depression casting an economic cloud over the United States he managed to complete college while enduring many hardships. It took a while to finish but with perseverance and earning spending money selling fish he would take to Chapel Hill on return trips from home, he received his accounting degree in 1943. He remained at the university for six years as an accounting professor then moved back to Carteret County to settle into an accounting practice.

Missing the academic life, especially working with young people, he later took an appointment at Campbell University as an accounting professor, where he taught for twelve years before retiring in 1977.

Over the years Albert has been a mentor and friend to our young. He was active in the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) program in selecting students and serving as a lecturer during retreats. He was also been a supporter of Middle School and High School tennis and in some years attended all of West Carteret High School's tennis matches – both home and away.

Albert was an avid tennis player and has had endorsement contracts with Wilson Sporting Goods as a member of the senior circuit into his nineties. Albert also played in tournaments from Boston to Florida. He ranked 2nd in the country for the 90 year age group.

Albert joined Rotary on November 2, 1950. Three years ago after a half-century of exemplary service, the Morehead City Evening Rotary Club recognized him for a lifetime of achievement and service to others – particularly the youth of Carteret County. He made a huge impact on all members of Rotary by showing them the way to public service. In recognition of this achievement and service, the club designated him as a life member. It is believed that Albert is the oldest Rotarian in the United States, and possibly the world.

Program Schedule for Oct/Dec

<u>Date</u>	<u>Rotarian</u>	<u>Ave. of Service</u>
Oct 14	David Lindsay	Voc. Service
Oct 21	John Nelson	Voc. Service
Oct 28	Tom Noe	Voc. Service
Nov 4	Herb Phillips	Club Service
Nov 11	Jim Phillips	Club Service
Nov 18	Council Renfrow	Club Service
Nov 25	Thanksgiving (no meeting)	Club service
Dec 2	Demus Thompson	Inter Service



Linda Rike Discusses Real Estate Market

Last week's guest speaker, Linda Rike, gave a thorough overview of the real estate market in Carteret County. According to Linda there are over 4,000 properties available for sale in our county. Houses priced under \$200,000 are selling, but houses in the upper price range are not selling. The interest rate is now 4% or less...a perfect time to buy. Properties that are selling have curb appeal and have been spruced up to attract buyers.



SING OUT!!

Cherry and Milton Tripp lead the singing during last week's Rotary meeting. A soprano and a bass, the perfect combination for hitting the high and low notes. Milton will have to bring Cherry to every meeting.

October Birthdays

Herb Phillips	October 7
Albert Gaskill	October 10
Stanley Harrell	October 27



LAST WEEK'S GUEST

Ed Daughety, agent for Linda Rike Real Estate Agency, joins in the singing. Ed also took part in the presentation by answering questions posed by Rotarians.

Ace of Spades Drawing Tonight's Jackpot



20 Cards Remain in Deck

\$868.00.00

CHRISTMAS CHEER FUND
\$201.69

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?