

# **Club Meeting**

Morehead City-Noon Meets at Sanitary Fish Market & Restaurant 501 Evans St. Morehead City, NC 28557 Time: Tuesday at 12:00 PM

### **Club Leaders**



<u>Timothy Allan</u> <u>Necaise</u> President



Pamela T. Hilbert President-Elect Club Director Club Service Projects Chair Club RYLA Chair



<u>Diane Carolyn</u> <u>Warrender</u> Secretary



John B. Aldredge <u>II</u> Treasurer



<u>Harold A. Ambrose</u> Sergeant-at-Arms



Christopher W. Mashburn Club Rotary Foundation Chair



John M. Smith Club Membership Chair



Tom Hussmann iPast President



John R. Scibal Club Membership Co-Chair



<u>Jill Droze</u> Club Director Club Public Image Chair

**Gary Lazorick** 

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President Tim Necaise called the meeting to order at the Salvation Army building at 12:08 pm.



**Duties:** 

Greeter - Roger Latham Prayer - Gene McLendon Pledge - Sharon Garner 4-Way Test – Buff Chalk Happy Dollars – Bill Walker



President Tim asked Secretary Diane Warrender to give her report. She welcomed all Rotarians and guests to the first meeting of the New Year. Our visitors for today's meeting were John Maxwell, guest of Gene and our speaker, Dana Pingatore, from Tiller School in Beaufort. We had several birthdays for the week, Chris Mashburn, Jan. 04, Buff Chalk, Jan. 06 and Steve Hellersperk, Jan. 12. Buff was the only one of the three at the meeting so a rousing Happy Birthday was sung by the group. Also, celebrating their Rotary anniversaries were Buff Chalk Jan. 01/1984, George Norris Jan. 02/2006 and Paul Gillikin Jan. 09/2001. Club attendance today was 30 Rotarians.



#### **Events**

No Events found

## **Birthdays**

Steve Joseph Hellersperk January 12th Victor Olsen January 16th Jake Adam Young January 30th James M. Bond Jr. February 8th Harold A. Ambrose February 9th



Pam Hillbert came forward to give her Words of Wisdom for the club. She said Wisdom comes from life's experiences. Easy days give way to the hard ones. Your life experiences guide you through these hard times with support from those who you look to as important in your life. Pam said you should meet every new person as if they could be the most important person you've met. She referenced a Family Circus cartoon, which stated "Yesterday's the past, tomorrow's the future, but today is a Gift. That's why it's called the Present!" Very good Words of Wisdom for all of us.

President Tim gave a few announcements, with a special thank you to the Salvation Army and Lt. Susan Garland for hosting the Rotary meetings during the month of January. A meal has been prepared for the club by Metah, the cook for the organization, and will do so for the rest of the meetings for the month. Each Rotarian can make a donation to the Salvation Army to cover the cost.

Also, Tim announced the club had accepted the nomination of Brian Kramer as President Elect Nominee and new Board members for the 2025-2026 period, Monica Blocker and Jake Young. To confirm these nominees the club had to vote today for the nominees. The vote was unanimous. Tim also announced that RLI (Rotary Leadership Institute) will be held at Leland, NC on January 25<sup>th</sup>, for those who might be interested in learning more about serving Rotary. Also, there will be a Club Board meeting Monday, January 13 at the Chamber of Commerce at 5:30 pm.

Tim had sent out a survey to the club members via email to complete during the holidays and to return to him. He said he had received 6 surveys and would really like to have more from the members. He passed out some printed copies and asked if they could be returned to him by the next meeting.



Sharon Garner announced a fund raiser to be held Sunday afternoon, January 12<sup>th</sup> at Jack's downtown. This is the third time Jack's has hosted this event and all monies raised will be given to the county animal shelter. Additionally, some of the supplies will be sent to western NC for their needs. If you cannot attend but would like to donate cash, or animal supplies, please call her and she will gladly pick them up. (252-725-

3006) Also, Brian Kramer announced that the club did a great job with the Bell Ringing schedule. He said we did not miss a single shift and congratulated the members for their participation.



Pam Hillbert announced the Service Projects committee will meet after the meeting next Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>.





President Tim introduced our speaker, Dana Pingatore, Ex. Director of the Tiller Charter School, located in Beaufort. She has 35 years experience in education, is from Colorado, married and has 3 children. She stated she had great respect for Rotary, as she has been involved with clubs over the years. The charter school serves several counties, not just Carteret. She is very proud of their staff and the parents of students, who support the school. The school was started by Julie Burk twenty-eight years ago. It is a free tuition, public charter school. Any child can attend and if applications exceed the number of available spaces, a lottery list is established to fill the spaces for the next school year.

Tiller School uses a clear social curriculum, known as Responsive Classroom, built around six central components that integrate teaching, learning and caring in the daily program. Dana said they try to get students out of the classroom to experience real life situations. This past year they took the fourth grade class to Kitty Hawk for an overnight trip. This allows the students to be exposed to a variety of new experiences. Many of the students had not ever been outside the county and to be able to stay overnight in a hotel was an exciting new thing. They have students from K thru fifth

grades. Currently there are 209 students, and they are in small classes with two adults. The main goal is to improve the emotional and social growth of each student, being exposed to the arts and fostering creativity. Also, many parents volunteer to help with the physical activity classes, to teach a variety of fun classes. Very good information about one of the county's charter schools.



Happy Dollars was conducted by Bill Walker and he was able to collect many dollars from the club members.



The 50/50 draw was won by Diane Warrender, however, she is not any richer as she could not find the Joker!

The meeting was adjourned and we will meet next Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> at the Salvation Army.

Secretary Diane Warrender