

Rotary

Club of Morehead City Noon



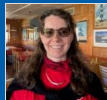
Club Meeting

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

Club Leaders



Timothy Allan
Ncaise
President



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



Gary Lazorick
President-Nominee



Diane Carolyn
Warrender
Secretary



John B. Aldredge
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Treasurer



Harold A. Ambrose
Sergeant-at-Arms



Christopher W.
Mashburn
Club Rotary
Foundation Chair



Tom Hussmann
Past President



John R. Scibal
Club Membership
Co-Chair

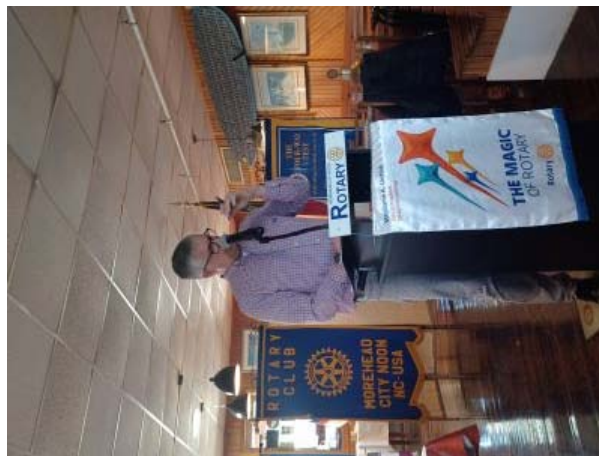


Jill Droze
Club Director
Club Public Image
Chair

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Morehead City Noon Rotary Minutes March 18, 2025

President Tim Ncaise opened the Noon meeting at 12:08.



Club Duties:

Greeter - Randall Parker
Prayer - Gene McLendon
Pledge - Renee Melby
4-Way Test - Bill Blanchard
Happy Dollars - Pam Hilbert



President Tim asked Secretary Diane Warrender for her report for today. Diane welcomed all to the Noon Tuesday meeting. Our guest for today is our speaker Amanda Lyle with Coastal Federation. There are no birthdays or club anniversaries for this week. The meeting area had been realigned due to another event after our meeting. We all were adapting to the new seating. Several Rotarians resisted, saying they did not like change!! Hopefully, we will be back to "normal" next week. There were 39 Rotarians at our meeting today.

Events

No Events found

Birthdays

Lisa Weisenburg

March 31st

Paul Gillikin

April 3rd

Tom Hussmann

April 17th



Bill Walker gave our Words of Wisdom for the day. He said the best words of wisdom he could refer to, come from The Bible, which are good to follow. He said he had set goals for himself at a young age and feels he has achieved them. He always wanted to be a Doctor and was so glad he had been able to finish his schooling and become a Doctor. He said you are fortunate if you have been able to find something you enjoy as your career, and that will add to your enjoyment during your life. Set goals, no matter where you are in life, and reaching them, no matter how small, will give you a sense of worth an purpose. Good words for all!



Membership co-chair John Scibal asked his committee to meet after this meeting to discuss the Discover Rotary event on April 3rd at the Dunes Club. He encouraged all members to seek out a new member that could attend this event.



Fundraiser committee member Robert Cox, reported on the progress of the 2025 Golf

Cart fundraiser. The cart has been picked up and he said was a great looking cart. Also, they have their first Platinum Sponsor, Randall Parker and his auto dealership. He encouraged each member to seek out either Platinum or Gold sponsors.



Service Projects Chair Pam Hilbert had attended PETS (President Elect Training Session) this past weekend. This is a requirement for the President Elect and also to enable the club to be eligible for District grants. This is an energizing and fun experience for all who attend. She said she came away with a long list of things to consider for her upcoming Presidency in July. She also reminded all to bring Easter cards and candies for the micro-project for April 8, these will be used for the Meals-on-Wheels clients.



President Tim introduced our speaker for today, Amanda Lyles with Coastal Federation. She has a Bachelors degree in Political Science and works in the Public Outreach area. She said working at Coastal Federation is her dream job. She grew up in Newport and her grandfather taught her the wonders of the waterways and the respect of keeping them safe. The mission of the Coastal Federation is to empower coastal residents and visitors from all walks of life to protect and restore the water quality and critically important natural habitats of the NC coast. Dr. Braxton Davis is the Executive Director. The federation was formed in 1982 and then, Todd Miller was the Director. Now he serves as an advisor to the Ex. Director. As the Outreach Officer, Amanda works with a variety of groups. They set up education programs in the county schools, and their outreach includes 20 coastal counties. They also set up workshops for professionals promoting economical and environmental programs. The largest pollution problem now is storm water runoff. The Newport River is largely affected by this run off and occasionally is closed due to it. Wet lands restoration is a big focus also. The North River wet-lands preserve is a new project with the Federation. One of the other living shore line projects they have been working on for a while is the project at the Community College. There they established oyster bands that eventually causes the shoreline to fill in and marsh grass is planted to stabilize it. This not only stabilizes the shoreline but creates oyster beds that can support the economy and environment. Another big project is to collect and reduce marine debris. They have removed over 200 sunken boats along the shoreline since 2021. Also, they partner with local fishermen

during the off seasons to help remove lost crab pots and other marine debris. There is a daily news service, CoastalReview.org that is produced by the Federation. Another large project is the new facility that is being built at the present location to house more research facilities. They hope it will be completed in 2026. Amanda was able to answer several questions asked by Rotary members.



Happy Dollars were solicited by Pam Hilbert who was able to collect many dollars for our program and other Happy things.



50/50 Ticket draw was won by Tom Hussman, but the Joker is still hidden in the pack.

The meeting was adjourned and we will meet again next Tuesday, March 25 at noon.

Secretary Diane Warrender
