

Jefferson Ruritan Club



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This is what will greet you when you arrive at our annual **Ruritan Community Supper**, to be held **Sat., February 21, 2015 (12 – 5pm).....**Is this really good for business????

All should have received information sheet regarding the supper, which included important dates/times, committee assignments, and other notes. This event takes a team effort. Step up and lend a hand. If you have additional time to give, drop by Center Thursday (2/19) and Friday (2/20) in am to assist with turkeys and other prep needs. Also, oyster patters are always in need starting Saturday morning around 9am. See you on the 21st, if not before.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

-HEALTH NOTES....Keep the following and others in need in your thoughts and prayers as each face health challenges and other set backs:

- Those members who are residing outside their home: **Richard Grove** (Tranquility); **Joe Long** (Homewood); **Roy Comer** (Tranquility)

-MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

- Dues for 2015 are now being accepted by Treasurer Larry. Active members pay \$100, which includes dues and meals. Associate members pay \$44, and if attending a meeting with meal served, they need to pay \$5 for meal at that time.
- **Brookes Ahalt** was reinstated as an active member.
- **Melissa Delauter** was switched from associate to active membership status.

-FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS: **Steve Crum, Scott Easton, Mary Handley, Artie House & Al Lescalleet**

JEFFERSON RURITAN IN THE PAST

50 Years Ago- Feb 1965

- Building committee met and agreed to begin the planning of a building on Ruritan property
- Club obtained a room at Gross property (UCC) to store Ruritan supplies
- Trees leading to Ruritan property were trimmed
- Another successful butchering was held

25 Years Ago – Feb 1990

- 4 banquets were prepared and served at Center during month netting \$5100+
- Approved an ad in the JVFC 20th anniversary program
- Award presented to Eagle Scout Glen Tanner
- Meal cost at meetings increased to \$4
- Report on Ruritan National Convention held in Nashville provided by Luther Hargett, Larry Jones, Charles Smith and Dan Poole

MEMBERSHIP DINNER MEETING

Wed., February 18, 2015

7:00pm – Dinner

**RECOGNITION OF THE BHS
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
SOCCER TEAM**
(coached by our own *Al Lescalleet*)

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

-Provide \$250 to the BHS Soccer Team for expenses (i.e. bus) on their upcoming trip to MD State House to receive recognition by State for achievements in 2014.

OTHER BOARD NOTES

- Consideration of Quartermania fundraiser in near future. Zone 3 Governor Trevella Foster met with Board to review process of holding such an event
- Plans being developed for club's 60th anniversary to be held in fall. Contact President Scott if interested in serving on planning committee.
- John Lovell provided a positive report on recent butchering. ALL meat/products have been distributed. Some pudding was donated to the St. Luke's Lutheran Church of Feagaville for their upcoming supper.



RED NECK VACATION

Billy Bob and Luther were talking one afternoon when Billy Bob tells Luther, "Ya know, I reckon I'm 'bout ready for a vacation. Only this year I'm gonna do it different. The last few years, I took your advice about where to go.

Three years ago you said to go to Hawaii. I went to Hawaii and Earlene got pregnant.

The two years ago, you told me to go to the Bahamas, and Earlene got pregnant again.

Last year you suggested Tahiti and darned if Earlene didn't get pregnant again."

Luther asks Billy Bob, "So, what you gonna do this year that's different?"

"This year I'm taking Earlene with me."

2015 CARNIVAL PLANS UNDERWAY

July 20 – 25, 2015

Snyder Amusements have been booked to provide the rides/games and Chr. Dave Remsburg announced the schedule of nightly entertainment:

July 20	Rock & Roll Relics
July 21	City Slickers w/ Debbie Williams
July 22	Brandy Stills Band
July 23	Inside Out
July 24	Brushfire
July 25	Legacy w/ Elvis

Mark your calendar now to prepare for our biggest and most important fundraiser.



*DISTRICT / NATIONAL
NEWS*



Potomac District Presidents' Night was held this past Saturday at our club. Recognized at the event were two Ruritan National awards for our District received at the National Convention:

- Erich Fronck** (webmaster)
1st place for zone website (Zone 1)
- Larry Cassell** (editor)
2nd place for club newsletter (Jefferson)

ZONE 3 Meeting
Sun., Feb. 22, 2015
1pm

Mt. Pleasant Ruritan Club
"Super Bowl" Luncheon served
Rsvp NOW if planning to attend to President
Scott at 301-473-5270

SPRING DISTRICT CABINET Meeting
Sat., April 11, 2015
6:30pm
Elks Club 622
2 Pythian Drive, Edgewater, MD
rsvp to Sec. Cassell if desiring to attend by
March 30, 2015

DISTRICT GOLF TOURNAMENT
Fri., May 29, 2015
Registration 8am; tee time 9am
Maple Run Golf Course, Thurmont, MD
More info forthcoming

POTOMAC DISTRICT 61ST

ANNUAL CONVENTION
Sat., Nov. 14, 2015
Registration 8:30am
Rhodes Grove Conference Center
Chambersburg, PA

**2016 RURITAN NATIONAL
CONVENTION**
Jan. 7 – 9, 2016
Hyatt Regency at Jacksonville, FL
Not too soon to make room reservations
Contact
<https://resweb.passkey.com/go/ruritan2016>
Watch Ruritan Magazine for more info.

**ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL
BUTCHERING**



The grunt work starts....



Watch those fingers!!!

A RENAISSANCE OF VOLUNTEERISM THROUGH RURITAN



Packing that meat

Chair John Lovell Jr. expresses his deep appreciation to all club members and volunteers who braved the cold temps as 40 hogs were prep for sale. A special note of thanks to our kitchen crew who had such a busy week. Certainly a TEAM EFFORT!!!

I appreciated the support and encouragement received from fellow club members as well as Ruritans throughout the Potomac District as I pursued the position of National Director. Being elected, I have been assigned to the Rappahannock District (VA) as the National representative. The Potomac District will be served by a knowledgeable and long-time fellow Potomac District Ruritan, Larry Blount.

Thought I share with you my focus for Ruritan as I begin my 3-year term as a National Director."A Renaissance of Volunteerism Through Ruritan".

Our society has seen a lot of changes over the past 20-30 years. These changes have impacted the desire and/or ability for people to dedicate time and energy beyond one's self-gratification or survival. Volunteerism in America has greatly been impacted. Such a shame. Why? Because giving one's time and energy as a volunteer will enrich one's life.

Ruritan can be a leader in renewing volunteerism and it can happen here. Just ask a friend, neighbor or relative to join us as we strive to make our community stronger. JUST ASK!!!

I quote Mother Teresa as a reason for 'doing it anyway'

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow. Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have and it may never be enough; give the world the best you have got anyway.

You see, in the final analysis it is between you and God; it was never between you and them anyway.

**Thanks
Larry Cassell**