

Jefferson Ruritan Club



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MEMBERSHIP UPDATES



Richard N. "Jarbo" Grove, Sr.
March 5, 1921 – March 6, 2015

A resident of Jefferson, MD for his entire life, Richard has been a memorable figure. Well known for his 'ribbing' and unique sense of humor, Richard loved life and served his country and local community admirably. Being a charter member of our club, he was presented a "Ruritan Forever" membership in 2013. Even when his health began to take a downward turn, moving to Tranquility, he made sure that he got to the monthly dinner meetings. Richard served the club as its treasurer from 1963-65. He then became vice president in 1966 and president in 1967. After serving at the club level, he stepped up to be Zone 3 Governor in 1968.

A fitting service for Richard was held at his Jefferson United Church of Christ on March 9, 2015.

Friend, you will be missed.....

*Regarding the passing of others, keep in your prayers the family of **Myrtle Clary**. Myrtle was a long-time supporter of our club. Her husband, **Jesse**, was a long-time club member until his death in 2003.*

-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: **Joe Long** (Homewood); **Roy Comer** (Tranquility)
- Word received that **Mary Handley**, was in hospital for health issue.
- **Charlie Smith** had short stint in hospital but now home and about.

-MARCH BIRTHDAYS: **Phil Brohawn, Chris Clark, Charles Clingan & Lora Dade**

2015 DUES

Be sure to see Treasurer Putman for payment of dues/meals for 2015. Active memberships are \$100, which includes meals. Associate members pay \$44, plus if attending a meeting, purchase meal at that time at cost of \$5.

QUARTERMANIA

JEFFERSON RURITAN IN THE PAST

50 Years Ago- Mar 1965

-approved participating in the Friendship Acres Project

-agreed to sponsor two little league teams

-monthly speaker presentation on the 'Waste of Money in Frederick County'

25 Years Ago – Mar 1990

-improvements completed in kitchen of pavilion (new hood system over fryers, improved lighting, roof repaired)

-\$100 donation to Frederick Peace Resource Center

-Sent local youth to Youth Leadership Conference at Valley Forge, PA.

NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

Donald Tarleton, sponsored by *Charlie Smith*, has submitted an application for active membership. Donald resides at 4207 Hogan Drive, Middletown Md 21769 with his wife Dee. He enjoys traveling, fishing, golfing and spending time with his family. General membership will act on his application at the March meeting.

Regarding membership, if every member invited one prospective member, imagine what we could do as an organization. All it takes is to ASK! Active membership is \$100 (includes meals) and \$44 for an associate membership. Let's build our membership rolls this year to a new high.

MEMBERSHIP DINNER MEETING

Wed., March 18, 2015

7:00pm – Dinner

RECOGNITION OF 2014 "RURITAN OF YEAR"

PROGRAM: Annual visit from home office of the Frederick Keys Minor League Baseball Program

Sunday, April 19, 2015

Doors Open at 12:30pm

Bidding begins at 2:00pm

Check out the attached flyer regarding this new fundraiser for our club. Take a copy of the flyer and post it at a local business. SUPPORT this event by helping sell tickets, working at the event and/or playing.

BOARD

NEWS/RECOMMENDATIONS

The following Board recommendations will be considered at the March general membership meeting on March 18th:

- *The active membership application for Don Tarleton, sponsored by Charles Smith, be accepted.*
- *A \$100 donation is given to the Frederick County Farm Bureau in support of the annual Youth Farm Safety Camp to be held this summer at the 4H Camp Center.*
- *The club support the annual Potomac District of Ruritan National's golf tournament by sponsoring a hole at cost of \$80 and entering a team at cost of \$280.*
- *A \$100 donation is presented to the Jefferson United Church of Christ in memory of Richard Grove.*

During the March Board meeting, several fundraisers were considered for the future: golf tournament (tba) and country breakfast (Dec. 5). Committees will be formed to develop these events. Also, Jay reviewed plans for the April 19th Quartermania. It was agreed by the Board NOT to hold a community supper in the fall. This was being considered since the club canceled the spring supper.

Board Meeting Notes (con't)

The replacement of the chairs used in the Center is being considered. A committee consisting of Nick Nichols, Jim Morgan, Richard Greenawalt and Scott Easton will bring back to the Board prices for the purchase of 240 chairs along with chair racks.

The history committee along with John Lovell will be developing a Jefferson Ruritan Club 60th anniversary booklet which will include names of all past members as well as some photos of past events. A tentative date of October 28, 2015 has been set for the 60th anniversary banquet. Plans are to hold the event at Dutch's Daughter Restaurant.

***10th Annual Frank Clevenger
Memorial Golf Tournament
Sponsored by
Potomac District of Ruritan National
Friday, May 8, 2015
Maple Run Golf Course
Thurmont MD***



Some Jefferson Ruritan participants at the 2014 tournament:

Juan Stull, Larry Cassell, Steve Spohr and Frank Blank

If approved by membership, our club will sponsor a 4-person team for this year's tournament. If interested, see Larry C. Also, if there are members who want to enter a team of four, see Larry C. for registration form. A 4-person team is \$280, which includes golf w/ cart, coffee/danishes prior to tee time, lunch at Mountaingate and the fun of chasing that little white ball.

Proceeds from the tournament benefit the Ruritan National Foundation.

Calendar for Center

MARCH

- 16 Boy Scouts
- 18 **7pm, Ruritan Dinner Meeting**
- 21 Private Party
- 22 **Alzheimers' Support Group Meeting**
- 23 Boy Scouts
- 26 Antique Tractor Club Meeting
- 28 UCC Bingo
- 30 Boy Scouts

APRIL

- 3 Congregation Meeting
- 6 Boy Scouts
- 7 Safe Boating Class
- 7pm, Ruritan Board Meeting**
- 8 Safe Boating Class
- 9 4H Club Meeting
- 11 Buffet Dinner for Buckeystown UMC
- 13 Boy Scouts
- 15 **7pm Ruritan Dinner Meeting**

FUTURE CLUB EVENTS

- **APRIL 19, 2015**
Quartermania
- **MAY 6, 2015**
Mother/Daughter Banquet
- **JULY 20 – 25**
Carnival
- **OCTOBER 28**
60th Anniversary Celebration
- **DECEMBER 3 – 5**
Butchering (Breakfast Dec. 5)

**Other events in planning stages
(i.e. golf tournament)**



I know you have been laying awake at night wondering why baby diapers have brand names such as “Luvs”, “Huggies,” and “Pampers”, while undergarments for old people are called “Depends”.

When babies mess in their pants, people are still gonna Luv’em, Hug’em and Pamper’em. When old people mess in their pants, it “Depends” on who’s in the will!

Glad I got that straightened out so you can rest your mind.



UPCOMING POTOMAC DISTRICT EVENTS

- April 11 Spring Cabinet meeting at Elks Club 622, 2 Pythian Dr., Edgewater, MD (6:30pm)
- May 29 Annual Golf Tournament at Maple Run
- Sat., Nov. 14 District Convention at Rhodes Grove Conf. Center (Chambersburg, PA)

RURITAN NATIONAL EVENTS

- May 15 -16 Founders Day at Holland VA
- May 17 Ruritan Sunday
- June 19-20 Leadership Conference
- July 17-19 Youth Camp at Smith Mt. Lake
- Jan. 7-10, 2016 National Convention in Jacksonville, FL

**ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
CALL FOR HELP**

Chair Jim Carpenter has shared several events at the local Catocin Creek Park & Nature Center (2929 Sumantown Road, Middletown, MD) which could use some labor support.

First, on March 28 (11am-2pm), there will be a Catocin Creek “Project Clean Stream” event. Project is to help make Catocin Creek a cleaner place for wildlife to thrive and for all of us to enjoy. Dress in old clothes (no shorts), bringing work gloves and bag lunch if desired. Contact person at the park is Sandy Burr (sburr@frederickcountymd.gov)

Other project at the Park takes place on Wed., April 22 (8am-1pm), Sat., April 18 (10am-2pm) and Sat., April 25 (10am-2pm). This will be a time in which volunteers are needed to plant trees along the Catocin Creek flood plain. Please wear old clothes, work gloves and bring water bottle and shovel. For more information and to register to assist, contact Linda Coyle at 301-600-2051 or lcoyle@frederickcountymd.gov.