

# Jefferson Ruritan Club



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## APRIL 2015

### MEMBERSHIP UPDATES



Congratulations were extended to Mary **Handley** by **President Scott** at the March 2015 club meeting. Mary was voted by her fellow Ruritans as the club's "Ruritan of the Year". Mary makes herself available throughout the year at various club activities. Of note is the work she does for the two butcherings, as well as being a fixture in the kitchen during banquets. Her baked goods are a hit at many events. As "Ruritan of the Year", she received the Ruritan National Tom Downing Fellow award as well as a Ruritan jacket. The Tom Downing award is given to a Ruritan that exemplifies what it is to be a Ruritan. A \$500 donation to Ruritan National's Foundation is given by the club in honor of Mary for the award.

-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)

-APRIL BIRTHDAYS: **Luther Hargett, Connie House, Joe Long and Al Manus**

NOTE: I need to update my birthday listing. Missing birthday months for **Brookes Ahalt, Roy Comer, David Huffer, Ed Johnson, Sam Miller, Ashley Putman, and Stan Smith**. Please forward me your birthday month so I can update my files.

-Welcome to our newest member, **Donald Tarleton**, Don's application for active membership was approved at the March meeting. He was sponsored by **Charles Smith** and endorsed by **George Stauffer**. Don resides at 4207 Hogan Drive, Middletown MD with his wife Dee.

-2015 Dues are now payable to Treasurer Larry. Active memberships are \$100, which includes national dues and meals for a year. Associate members pay \$44, and \$5 at a club meeting when joining us for dinner. You may pay the treasurer at a club meeting or mail it to Jefferson Ruritan Club, P.O. Box 415, Jefferson, MD 21755.



Boned/Cooked (frozen) whole country hams  
\$8/lb.

12 available

Contact: *John Lovell or JR Arnold*

#### JEFFERSON RURITAN IN THE PAST

##### 50 Years Ago- Apr 1965

- A meeting was called for interested groups in community to meet to discuss future of a community center
- Meat slicer purchased at cost of \$180
- Cash balance-\$256.83; membership-79
- Meeting program featured Rev. Gabbert who provided amusing talk on baldness

##### 25 Years Ago – Apr 1990

- 97 members on roll
- New hood system installed in kitchen of pavilion
- \$300 donation to Citizens Nursing Home to assist with purchase of a van
- Steve Algaier, student at BHS, was recognized. He participated in Youth Leadership Conference in Valley Forge, PA

## MEMBERSHIP DINNER MEETING

**Wed., April 15, 2015**

**7:00pm – Dinner**

**PROGRAM: Barry Salisbury  
“Land Preservation”**



## QUARTERMANIA

**Sun., April 19**

**Doors open 12:30pm**

**Bidding starts 2:00pm**

**Tickets: \$5 (pre-order)**

Call Jay at 301-371-6404

or Bill at 301- 371-4889

**\$8 at door**

*Bring a friend, enjoy the fun, have some good food (featuring country ham), have a chance to WIN some great gifts*

As a club member, your support is vital for this first attempt at a different fundraiser:

- SELL tickets
- Provide baked goods- brownies/cookies (contact Mary Handley)
- Lend a hand at the event
- SELL tickets
- Join in and play
- Advertise the event
- SELL tickets

## CLUB MEETING PROGRAMS



**Representatives from Frederick Keys were on hand at our March meeting**

In my travels throughout the District, and now at the National level, I found that our club is unique to many – we have informative programs at all our club meetings. THANKS for handling the task of finding and scheduling these great programs goes to out to **ARTIE HOUSE**.

Providing our members good programs adds another component to the benefits of being a club member. When speaking about our club to prospective members, highlight this opportunity one has when being a member.

Sure Artie would appreciate any support in obtaining good programs. If you have an idea, pass it on to him.

Again, thanks Artie for a job well done.  
NOTE: *Your jokes are an added benefit....*



## USE OF CENTER

### APRIL

- 9 4H
- 11 Banquet – Buckeystown UMC
- 13 Boy Scouts
- 15 **7pm, Ruritan Dinner Meeting**
- 16 Banquet – Holstein Asso.
- 18 Bingo – ELTC
- 19 **QUARTERMANIA**
- 20 Boy Scouts
- 23 Antique Tractor Club
- 25 Private Party
- 26 **Alzheimers' Support Group (5:30pm)**
- 27 Boy Scouts

### MAY

- 1 Bingo – Jefferson St. Paul Lutheran
- 2 Private Party
- 3 Bingo – Dance Unlimited
- 4 Boy Scouts
- 6 **Mother/Daughter Banquet**
- 9 **Document Shredding/Electronic Recycling (am)**  
Banquet – MHS Band
- 12 Boat Safety Class  
**Ruritan Board, 7pm**

### *God's Problem Now!*

His wife's graveside service was barely finished when there was a massive clap of thunder, followed by a tremendous bolt of lightning, accompanied by even more thunder rumbling in the distance. The little old man looked at the pastor and said, "Well, she's there."



## ***HISTORY COMMITTEE REQUEST***

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### **JEFFERSON AREA 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL FARMERS' MARKET**

Did you know that our club is sponsoring the first annual farmers' market starting May 2015 on our grounds? Bill Allen, chair of business & professions committee, and his committee have organized this market which will be held Fridays (4-7pm) from second weekend May – second weekend of October, 2015. This is basically a producer only market. Currently four – six possible vendors have noted interest. Katherine Phillips, market master at Middletown, will be serving in the same capacity at our market.

NOTE: During our carnival, the market will not be held. Currently, it will be held on flat area between pavilion and Rt. 340.

### **FUTURE CLUB/DISTRICT EVENTS**

April 11	Potomac District Cabinet Meeting at Annapolis Elks Club (6:30pm)
April 19	Quartermania
May 6	Mother/Daughter Banquet
May 15-16	Ruritan National Founders Weekend
May 17	Ruritan Sunday (Jefferson UMC)
May 29	Potomac District Golf Tournament
June 19-20	Ruritan National Leadership Conf.
July 20 – 25	Jefferson Ruritan Carnival
August 19	Club Picnic

The club's history committee is collecting pictures and information to be used for two projects:

1. Commemorative history for 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary
2. Development of brochure to accompany a large collage, "Faces of Jefferson", to be displayed during carnival

Club members are asked to submit pictures of Ruritan members or of Ruritan activities in the past, along with a descriptive sentence or two for the commemorative booklet. The committee is also asking for pictures of any living or deceased resident of Jefferson to be included in the collage. Again, these pictures should be accompanied by a brief description of why the individual appears in the collage.

Committee chairs, Nancy Cherry and Pepper Scotto will have scanning equipment at the club's April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting so that you can bring your pictures, get them copied and then take home with you the same night. You may also email pictures to Nancy ([nancytc@aol.com](mailto:nancytc@aol.com)) or send her copies you have had printed. Make sure your name and contact information is on anything you submit.

