

# Jefferson Ruritan Club



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## MAY 2015

### MEMBERSHIP UPDATES



*President Scott welcomes our newest member Don Tarleton (center) at the April meeting, co-sponsored by George Stauffer and Charlie Smith*

Don resides at 4207 Hogan Drive, Middletown, MD with his wife Dee. A veteran of the Navy, Don enjoys fishing, golfing, hiking and time with family.

-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)

-MAY BIRTHDAYS: **Bryan Heath, Richard Zecher, George Lakin, John Lovell Jr., Steve Spohr, George Stauffer & Terry Wolfe**

### JEFFERSON RURITAN IN THE PAST

#### 50 Years Ago- May 1965

-68 members attended the monthly meeting held at the JOUAM Hall

-local little league teams and 4H clubs asked to assist with cleaning carnival grounds during the carnival

-John Fry was program for meeting talking about stock car racing at Hagerstown Raceway

#### 25 Years Ago – May 1990

-purchased a new wheelchair to add to the collection of convalescent aides loaned to community people in need

-pledged \$500 to the 4H Camp Center building program

-24 Rudy Bears donated to JVFC for placement on ambulance for children needing comfort

### MEMBERSHIP DINNER MEETING

**Wed., May 20, 2015**

**7:00pm – Dinner**

#### **PROGRAM**

**Mark Crampton**

**State Highway Engineer**

**(refer to “Board Updates”  
for recommendations to act upon)**

# RURITAN SUNDAY

May 17, 2015

Jefferson United Methodist Church  
9am Service

Join your fellow Ruritans as we attend  
as a group the 9am service at JUMC.  
Meet in front of the church at 8:45am.

"Except for my family and church, Ruritan is most important to me." This expression is heard frequently when Ruritans meet and reflects the kind of persons that make up the membership of Ruritan Clubs. Most are solid citizens with deep religious convictions. When Ruritan started in Holland, Virginia on May 21, 1928, the leaders of that small community gathered with the hope that the fellowship at the monthly evening meal would lead to a spirit of goodwill between the "town folk" and the farmers; i.e. urban and rural.

The motto, "Fellowship, Goodwill and Community Service" indicates a growth in the concept of the club purpose that caused its ideal to grow from the original fellowship to become the most active civic service organization in America in terms of service to the community.

Much of the community service provided by Ruritan Clubs during their history has benefited churches; particularly small and beginning churches. It is appropriate, therefore, that this day of worship be designated as "Ruritan Sunday" in honor of these thousands of dedicated persons who have given of themselves to make the churches stronger and the communities better places in which to live and work.  
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## RURITAN NATIONAL UPDATES



### DISTRICT NEWS

-May 29<sup>th</sup> is the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Frank Clevenger Memorial Golf Tournament held at Maple Run Golf Course, Thurmont, MD. Registration is

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7:30-8:30am with tee time at 9am. Lunch at Mountaingate follows the tournament.

If you want to volunteer at the tournament, contact me. Also, still time if you want to enter as a player. Again, contact me. Players registration fee is \$70. NOTE: If interested, Mt. Pleasant Ruritan has a golf tournament June 5, 2015 at Glade Valley. Contact Don Foster (301-898-3719) if interested

-November 14, 2015 is the date of the annual Potomac District of Ruritan National convention. This year will be an abbreviated version with all activities occurring between 9am – 4pm. It will be held at the Rhodes Grove Convention Center near Chambersburg, PA

### RURITAN NATIONAL

Summer edition of the RURITAN MAGAZINE will be coming out shortly. Info regarding the annual National Convention will be included in this magazine. "Walk the Walk of Ruritan to Jacksonville, FL" January 7 – 10, 2016.



### USE OF CENTER

#### MAY

- 14 4H Meeting
- 16 Private (Family Reunion)
- 18 Boy Scouts
- 19 Brunswick FFA
- 20 **7pm, Club Dinner Meeting**
- 22 St. Paul's Lutheran Bingo
- 24 Alzheimers' Support Group
- 25 Boy Scouts
- 28 Antique Tractor Club Meeting
- 29 Brunswick Middle School – Banquet

#### JUNE

- 1 Boy Scouts
- 5 Educare Graduation Ceremony
- 6 BHS Retirement – Banquet
- 7 Private (Family Reunion)
- 8 Boy Scouts
- 9 **7pm, Board Meeting**

**A SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISER**

**1<sup>st</sup> Quartermania**

**April 19, 2015**

**THANKS TO ALL WHO MADE THIS  
EVENT A TRULY COMMUNITY AFFAIR**

**(Special note of thanks to Chr. Jay for a job  
well done)**



**Our greeters – “What lucky # do you want?”**



**The crowd anticipates the beginning of the event. Who is that front and center?**



**Local merchants were very supportive  
(ie. Adrienne’s Florist)**

Final report on event noted profit of \$2,927.76. Of that amount, food sales took in \$700+. Overall, it was a fun event that received many positive comments from players and workers. Board has agreed to do another in 2016.

**JEFFERSON RURITAN’S  
COMMUNITY CARNIVAL**

**July 20 – 25, 2015**

**MARK your calendar NOW!!!**



**In early June the information sheet which includes committee assignments will be posted. If you desire a change of assignment from previous year, contact me asap. Otherwise, you will be placed on same assignment as previous. The carnival takes a TEAM EFFORT, including members, spouses, relatives and friends. Let everyone step up and make this the best carnival ever.**



# BOARD UPDATES

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CLUB ACTION

1. Purchase 250 lifetime chairs from Lowes with accompanying racks at a cost not to exceed \$7000, replacing current metal folding chairs in use at Center.  
*Background: Chair committee brought several bids to Board from Lowes, Sam's and Costgo. Looked at lifetime chairs (same material/color of current tables) and a padded metal folding chair. Lowes bid was slightly higher than Sam's, but Lowes will deliver. Board decided on lifetime chair because it had higher weight capacity (500 lb.), more durable and better warranty.*
2. Once purchase of new chairs has been approved and received, the old chairs stored in garage area will be sent to Reliable Recycling (unless someone would like them), moving 100 of current chairs in Center to garage area and placing remaining 150 current metal chairs up for sale to interested members at \$2/chair.  
*Background: Replacing older chairs currently in garage with better ones from Center. These chairs stored in garage are used for outside events, as well as loaned out to members on as need basis. As to club's operating procedures NO chairs or tables from Center are to be removed at anytime from Center.*
3. Support the Career Tech Center's upcoming trip to Kentucky for a group of students participating in a conference/competition with a \$100 donation.  
*Background: Local resident Rachel Summers is a part of the team traveling to Kentucky in late June.*
4. Provide \$100 to Valley Elementary School to purchase prizes for the school's "Tec Trot", an event to raise funds by students to support the school's enhancement of technology at local school.
5. Approve the youth membership application for *Jordan Duncan*, sponsored by Jim Morgan and Richard Greenawalt.

*Background: Jordan is the 14-yr. old grandson of Jim Morgan. He resides at Jim's residence and attends the Brunswick Middle School. Jordan has been volunteering at some of our club events this past year.*

### Other News from Board:

-Membership Actions: The following members were deleted from the club rolls: *Chris Clark, Carol Custer, Robert Ewing & Mike Webber*. Action was taken due to non-payment of 2015 dues and not having attended any meetings or club function for quite some time.

*Roy Comer* was moved from active to honorary status. Roy currently is residing in Tranquility and unable to attend meetings.

-Farmers' Market officially opens May 15, 2015 on grounds of Center. It will operate each Friday from 4-7pm until mid-October. Stop by on 15<sup>th</sup> and greet and support the vendors, thanking them for participating. Club coordinator of the market is Bill Allen, assisted by Price Kaler. Katherine Phillips is serving as Market Master.

-Document shredding and electronic recycling project was held this past Saturday. Chair Jim Carpenter coordinated the event raising approximately \$800, which has been earmarked for the club's scholarship fund.

-Mother/Daughter Banquet held on May 6 was well attended (170+). Thanks go out to Jane Smith and Anna Mae Zecher who coordinated the event for us. Also, thanks to those who prepared and served the delicious turkey dinner. It was truly a wonderful community event.