

Jefferson Ruritan Club



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2016 CLUB OFFICERS SWORN IN AT DECEMBER CLUB MEETING

*Jim Morgan, 3-year Director; Larry Putman, Treasurer; Bill Six, Vice President; Jay House, President
Not in photo: Larry Cassell, Secretary; Frank Blank, 1-year Director; Sam Miller, 2-year Director*

The great redwoods of California are one of the beautiful natural wonders of North America. These giant evergreens can grow to a towering 300 feet tall and live for hundreds of years. For all their magnificence, one would think the redwoods would require a deep root system to keep them upright. Instead, they have roots that spread out along the surface of the forest floor to capture all the moisture possible, intertwining with the roots of other redwoods in the grove. The interlocking roots securely support and sustain these giant sequoias when storms strike and fierce winds blow. The trees' survival depends on the combined support of one another. When we stand together.....support one another.....encourage one another.....we become stronger together, and like the giant redwoods, we keep growing taller.

The great redwoods message reminds us that our strength is in our support of each other. Support your leadership team during 2016 so that our great club can continue to meet the needs of the Jefferson community.



MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

-NEWSY NOTES ABOUT MEMBERS

- **Dakota Stonesifer** and his wife moved back to Jefferson. Word is out that they are expecting the birth of their first child in a few months....Congratulations and great having you back in our community

-HEALTH NOTES....Keep the following in your thoughts and prayers as they reside outside their homes for care and support or are experiencing recent health issues:

- **Luther Hargett** (with daughter in Hagerstown)
- **Debbie Lescallet (AI)** – facing the challenges of cancer

-JANUARY BIRTHDAYS: **Ralph Brown, Jim Carpenter, Bill Crummitt, Joe Dade, Nick Nichols, Dick Payne, Sherman Reeder & Brick Remsburg**

JEFFERSON RURITAN IN THE PAST

50 Years Ago- January 1966

- \$12 allocated for mailing out to box holders in Jefferson area a notice regarding the club's 10th anniversary
- \$10 donation provided to BHS's Foreign Exchange Fund
- Program: Slide presentation of Dwight Smith's trip to Europe

25 Years Ago – January 1991

- \$100 donation provided to Rhodes family who lost their home to a fire
- 20' floor glaser purchased for use at Center at cost of \$1420.00
- \$8000 grant received from Frederick County Parks and Rec. for improvements to tennis court
- Bob Hayas re-assigned as the liaison to Boy Scout Troop 1066

MEMBERSHIP DINNER MEETING

Wed., January 20, 2016
7:00pm

PROGRAM

Frederick County Sheriff Chuck Jenkins



Our scouting rep., Jim Carpenter, presents a \$1000 check to our Boy Scout Troop 1066 at the December Club meeting.

NOTE: A special "Thank You" is extended to **Jim** for his faithful service as our corporate rep. to the local scouts. **Jim** served in this capacity for the past five years. Our new corporate rep. will be **Dave Snyder**. **Dave** has a long history with the troop and will serve us well.

RURITAN DISTRICT/NATIONAL NEWS

- Our club will be represented at the January 7-10, 2016 Ruritan National Convention in Jacksonville, FL by **Chuck (Elaine) Harp, John (Johanna) Lovell, and Larry (Nelda) Cassell**.
- The annual Ruritan Potomac District Presidents' Banquet will be held at our Center on Sat., Feb. 6, 2016 starting at 6:30pm. Those interested in attending can sign up at our club's January dinner meeting or by calling/emailing Larry C. prior.



JEFFERSON RURITAN CENTER 2016 EVENTS

Feb. 6	Ruritan Butchering sales pick-up (8am-12pm) Jefferson United Methodist Men's Pancake Breakfast (7-11am)
Feb. 20	Ruritan Turkey, Country Ham and Fried Oyster Supper (12-5pm)
Mar. 12	UCC Turkey, Country Ham and Fried Oyster Supper (12-5pm)
Apr. 17	Ruritan Quartermania (12-4pm)
Aug. 1-6	Jefferson Ruritan Community Carnival
Oct. 15	UCC Turkey, Country Ham and Fried Oyster Supper (12-5pm)
Dec. 5	Ruritan Butchering sales pick-up (8am-12pm) Ruritan Country Breakfast (7-11am)

Watch future editions of newsletters for more precise dates for work details related to these events



Did you hear about the Texas teacher who was helping one of her kindergarten students put on his cowboy boots? He asked for help and she could see why. Even with her pulling and him pushing, the little boots still didn't want to go on. By the time they got the second boot on, she had worked up a sweat. She almost cried when the little boy said, "Teacher, they're on the wrong feet." She looked, and sure enough, they were. It wasn't any easier pulling the boots off than it was putting them on. She managed to keep her cool as together they worked to get the boots back on, this time on the right feet.

He then announced, "These aren't my boots." She bit her tongue rather than get right in his face and scream, "Why didn't you say so?", like she wanted to. Once again, she struggled to help him pull the ill-fitting boots off his little feet.

No sooner had they gotten the boots off when he said, "They're my brother's boots. My Mom made me wear them."

Now she didn't know if she should laugh or cry. But, she mustered up what grace and courage she had left and wrestled the boots on his feet again. Helping him into his coat, she asked, "Now, where are your mittens?" He said, "I stuffed 'em in the toes of my boots.."
 She will be eligible for parole in three years.

BUTCHERING SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 2016



- Feb. 4 (Thurs.) 2:00pm Cutting of meat/prepping for sales**
 (Dinner follows work for volunteers)
- Feb. 5 (Fri.) 6:00am Sausage, pudding, scrapple and filling orders**
 (Lunch provided to volunteers)
- Feb. 6 (Sat.) 8am-12pm Sales**

ONLY USE THE REVISED ORDER FORM (attached)

RURITAN CENTER SCHEDULE

- Jan. 4 Boy Scouts
- Jan. 11 Boy Scouts
- Jan. 12 **Ruritan Board Meeting (7pm)**
- Jan. 14 4H Meeting
- Jan. 18 Boy Scouts
- Jan. 20 **Ruritan Dinner Meeting (7pm)**
- Jan. 22 Bingo- Skip Wizards sponsor
- Jan. 23 Banquet (JVFC)
- Jan. 25 Boy Scouts
- Feb. 1 Boy Scouts
- Feb. 4-6 **Ruritan Butchering**
- Feb. 6 Jefferson United Methodist Men Pancake Breakfast (7-11am)
6:30pm, Ruritan Potomac District Presidents' Banquet
- Feb. 7 Private Party
- Feb. 8 Boy Scouts
- Feb. 9 **Ruritan Board Meeting (7pm)**