

Jefferson Ruritan Club



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MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

-Club birthdays (November): **Talbott Arnold, JR Arnold, Frank Blank, Chris Dillon, Ben Mourad, Larry Remsburg and Gloria Shoemaker**

(NOTE: If you have been missed on birthday list, please notify me)

-Understand that **Brick Remsburg** is having some health issues making it difficult for him to get around. Keep **Brick** and others among us who are having health challenges in your thoughts/prayers.

-Special "Thank You" to **Patty Keller (Gene)**. She has been tending to the flowers planted around our outdoor message board. They have been colorful and healthy all summer due to her efforts.

-Membership audit is underway. If you have had any changes in address/phone number/email, please inform me of such asap. I need to update membership management system at Ruritan National.



Donation to Boy Scouts presented at October meeting (President Jay, Scoutmaster Andy Garman, and Jim Carpenter, scout rep)

MEMBERSHIP DINNER MEETING

Wed., Nov. 16, 2016
7:00pm – Dinner

**SPECIAL GUESTS
LOCAL SENIOR CITIZENS**

PROGRAM
Musical selections provided by the
Brunswick High School Band

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CLUB CONSIDERATION

(Action to be taken at Nov. meeting)

1. *Our club will support the Ruritan Potomac District Zone 3 project by providing \$150 towards the purchase of supplies for a hospitality room at the Envirothon 2017 MD competition to be held this coming summer at Mt. St. Mary's University.*
2. *A \$50 donation is provided to the Brunswick High School Band Boosters in appreciation of the band providing entertainment at our annual senior citizen night in November.*
3. *The "Artie Joke Book" would be distributed at a cost of \$10/book with all proceeds collected forwarded to the Patty Pollatos Fund in care of Kathryn Snider.*

2016 Annual Club Banquet

The annual club banquet was held on October 25, 2016 at Dutch's Daughter Restaurant. Approximately 80 members/guests were in attendance enjoying a wonderful evening of fellowship. Pastor Shillingburg provided a fitting memorial to those members who have passed to a better life. President Jay shared an informative list of highlights of our club for 2016. The evening was brought to an end with a fit of laughter as our in-house jokester, Artie, shared some stories with us (Hey...purchase one of Artie's joke books).

The biggest highlight for the evening was our annual presentation of the "Ruritan Couple of the Year". This year's recipients were very deserving as they have been faithful and hard workers for 50+ years. Most recently, this couple has kept our Center in excellent shape. The 2016 Couple of the Year was **Richard "Dickie" and Peggy Hawker**.



Larry Cassell (Secretary/National Director). Peggy Hawker, Dickie Hawker, President Jay House

UPCOMING CLUB ACTIVITES

- Wed., Nov. 16, 2016 (7pm)
This is our regular monthly dinner meeting in which we invite senior citizens of the Jefferson area to join us for a Thanksgiving dinner. Special music will be provided by the Brunswick High School Band. Be sure to invite a local senior citizen to join us for dinner.

- Butchering Schedule
Thurs., Dec. 1 (2pm - ?)
Cut-up of meats and prep for cooking
Dinner served to volunteers

Fri., Dec. 2 (6am -?)
Sausage making, cooking, preparing orders
Lunch served to volunteers

Sat., Dec. 3 (8am-Noon)
Picking up orders / Sales

MEAT ORDERS are now being taken. Be sure to place your order early.

- Sat., Dec. 3 (7-11am)

COUNTRY BREAKFAST

featuring our own sausage, fried country ham, pudding as well as pancakes, eggs, sausage gravy, hominy and coffee/juice. Cost is \$9/adult, \$5 child (5-10), and under 5 free. Tickets will be available to sell prior (provided at Nov. meeting). If you can give some time to assist, contact Jim Morgan or myself.

BOARD UPDATES

1. The Board offered the Center's custodian contract to **BONNIE PEARRELL** effective January 1, 2017. Dickie and Peggy Hawker have tendered their resignation as of December 31, 2016. Bonnie comes with a strong background in cleaning services having been in this business for quite a few years. Many know Bonnie since she has been a faithful volunteer for years at club events, especially the carnival.
2. Announced a meeting of interested parties in Streetscape with State engineers on Nov. 29, 2016 (6:30pm) at the Ruritan Center.



RURITAN DISTRICT & NATIONAL UPDATES

- Sat., November 12, 2016
Potomac District of Ruritan National's Convention, to be held at Rhodes Grove Camp and Conference Center, Chambersburg, PA. Club will cover cost for members/spouses who attend the event. Call me at 240-344-2217 to register. Currently the following have noted interest in attending: Bill Six, Elaine & Chuck Harp, Nelda & Larry Cassell and John Lovell.

-Ruritan National Convention will be held **Jan. 19-22, 2017** in Kingsport, TN. If interested, see me. If you want to reserve a room, one needs to do so ASAP. At this time, the following have noted intentions of attending the convention: *Chuck Harp (Elaine), John Lovell (Jo), Nelda Cassell and Bill Six (Sue)*. I will be attending as a National Director.

JEFFERSON RURITAN IN THE PAST

50 Years Ago-November 1966

- \$25 donation to Jefferson ES to assist PTA with Christmas Party for students
- A report on cost of JVFC building being \$4,470.84. An "Open House" was scheduled for Nov. 20th.
- Voted to provide attendees to Ruritan National Convention \$100 each to help with expenses. There would be a limit of four with 1st time attendees given preference.

25 Years Ago – November 1991

- \$366 donated to Valley ES Partners in Education program. Funds were earmarked for a reading incentive program
- Huffer Electric awarded contract to upgrade wiring for fryers/oven in Center
- Charles Smith commended by Club for excellent job as chair of the recently held Ruritan Potomac District Convention.

JEFFERSON COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN PARTY



The community's annual Halloween Party was again coordinated for us by the Brunswick High School Random Acts of Kindness Club. The students did an excellent job decorating and organizing a variety of fun activities for the children to enjoy.



Brandy Putman of RAK conducting one of the many activities at the Halloween Party