

Jefferson Ruritan Club



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I have lived a good life. Whatever happens, happens.

What fitting words from our beloved member and friend, **Brick Remsburg**.

These words were said to his son Dave when Brick was preparing to have a hip replacement. He came through the operation. However, the Lord must have had other plans for Brick. No doubt he is now front and center at the door to heaven speaking his mind and ready to come to assistance of others.

Brick did live a full-life. His life was based on the premise of God first, followed by family, community and then self. No doubt his presence will be missed. However, his legacy will be long-lasting.



Another one of our beloved Ruritan family members passed- **Miss Alma**. Wife of charter member, Henry Lakin Jr., **Alma Lakin** was by his side throughout the many years serving the community faithfully as part of our Ruritan family, as well as Jefferson United Church of Christ and the Jefferson Volunteer Fire Company.

Alma's presence in our kitchen helped established Jefferson as the "Best Food" in the area. She spent many, many hours serving the community with her many talents, never once doing it for recognition from others.

I can never recall ever hearing her speak negative of anyone, and never have I heard anyone speaking ill of her. She was loved by all and certainly will be missed.

NOTE: Several years ago your Board of Directors established a standard order of procedure regarding action to be taken when a member or member's spouse passes. Instead of sending flowers to the funeral service, the Board decided to forward a donation of \$250 to whatever memorial fund was established by the deceased member/spouse's family.

To update you as to recent memorials, the following \$250 donations have been forwarded:

Hueston Putman	<i>Feagaville St. Luke's Cemetery</i>
Alma Lakin	<i>Jefferson United Church of Christ</i>
Brick Remsburg	<i>Jefferson United Church of Christ</i>

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

-Club birthdays (May): **Brian Duncan, Bryan Heath, George Lakin, John Lovell Jr., Steve Spohr, George Stauffer, Terry Wolfe & Ted Zimmerman**

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

-Several of our members have been dealing with some health issues. Keep **Scott Easton, Luther Hargett, George Lakin, Jack Lakin, Jim Lindley, Charlie Smith, Marshall Wisner, and Richard Zecher** in your thoughts and prayers.

MEMBERSHIP DINNER MEETING

Wed., May 17, 2017

7:00pm – Dinner

Serving Group:

Jefferson Volunteer Fire Company

CELEBRATIONS/PROGRAM

May birthdays

Speaker: MD State Delegate William G. Folden
(Update on recent session of MD Gov't)

Actions pending club approval:

Building & Grounds: *Purchase a 22" cut/ 14" wheeled weeder from H.C. Summers at cost of \$275.*

Social Development: *Donate \$100 to Valley Elementary School to purchase prizes for the school's annual Tech Trot fundraiser.*

Business & Professions: *Donate \$100 to the annual Frederick County Youth Farm Safety Camp.*

BOARD MEETING UPDATES

(May 9, 2017)

Adrienne Summers reviewed the plans for the Jefferson Farmers' Market, to open Wed., May 24, 2017 (4-7pm). This year's Market will be held every Wednesday 4-7pm through mid-September. Yard signs have been printed. Anyone who would like to post a sign, contact Adrienne. Club members are requested to support this project by patronizing our vendors

and/or volunteering some time to make the project a success.



MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET Report

The Annual Mother/Daughter Banquet was another success. Thanks are extended to those who coordinated the event (Anna Mae Zecher, Judy Raymond, Nancy Stull and Jane Smith), as well as the cooks and servers. A special note of appreciation to **Susan Johnson**, who served as emcee for the event, and Evelyn and Chiz Summers for their music.



UPCOMING PROJECTS

MAY

20 Public Sale (food concession- HELP NEEDED)

JUNE

13 Board Meeting (7pm)

21 Dinner Meeting (7pm)

July 31-August 5

CARNIVAL

JEFFERSON RURITAN IN THE PAST

50 Years Ago- May 1967

-\$25 provided for start-up funds for concession stand at Little League Baseball games

-Purchased number of 3x5' American flags to be resold to members at cost of \$1.40/flag

-Pig chain was to start soon when a pig became available

-County Commissioners agreed to rescind the taxes charged on our property

25 Years Ago – May 1992

-\$125 allocated for the annual garden contest

-\$70 provided to local churches to assist with Camp Hope project expenses

-Blocked telephone in the Center for making long distance calls (someone used phone to call Jordan)

-Agreed to allow Jefferson UCC Youth to hold car wash on property

-Recycling Center opened on grounds of Center



RURITAN DISTRICT & NATIONAL UPDATES

POTOMAC DISTRICT ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

I want to thank the Jefferson Ruritan Club for the great support of the District's annual golf tournament. We were the best represented club at the tournament (hole sponsor, golfers, and volunteers). Proceeds from the tournament support the Ruritan National Foundation student grant program. Preliminary financial report noted a net profit of \$4000+.

It was a fun day, despite the damp grounds. Actually, after all the rain the day before, the day of the tournament (May 12) turned out to be cool and dry.

Thanks again to all who supported this District project !!!



Larry Cassell (District Golf Comm.), Bernie Lerch (District Foundation Chr.), Mike Danley (District Golf Comm.), Jason Duncan (Ruritan Nat'l Foundation Trustee), and Dennis Barthlow (District Governor)

FOUNDERS DAY is Sat., May 20, 2017 in Holland, VA.



JEFFERSON HONORARY GARDEN

The new Jefferson Honorary Garden will be placed adjacent to the Veterans' Memorial as you enter the parking lot of the Jefferson Ruritan Center. Memorial/Honorary pavers are now being sold (\$100). Consider placing a name of a beloved one that you want to honor. Work should start later in the summer.