



JULY- AUG. 2016

# Chesapeake Crab

## SECOND ANNUAL CHESAPEAKE DISTRICT GOLF TOURNAMENT - SEPT 16, 2016

Our Second Annual Chesapeake District Golf Tournament is less than two months away ! The tournament will be held on Friday Sept 16 at Queenfield Golf Club in King William County, the same place as last year. Last year we netted \$3,500 for the tournament with 11 teams and 23 hole sponsors. This year our goal is to net \$7,000 and field 25 teams and sell 50 hole sponsors. Ten clubs participated in the event last year.....we would like to at least double the club participation this year. Contact your golfing buddies (Ruritans and non Ruritans) and sign up your four (4) man team for the Captain's Choice Tournament with cash prizes to the first, second and third place teams. Lunch (hot dogs) will be provided and the Doswell Club has again volunteered to prepare a delicious dinner after the tournament. Forms to enter teams and sell sponsorships are available on the District website.....or contact your Fund Raising Committee members (Barry Shalowitz, Gene Campbell, Franklin Jones, Scott Townsend or Otis Hall) and we will get these forms to you.



Prices for the tournament will remain the same... \$260 per team and \$100 for a hole sponsor. Purchasing a hole sponsorship will get your business or name prominently displayed at one of the greens. We also plan to again raffle some nice prizes after the dinner at the tournament.

WE NEED EVERY CLUB TO RECRUIT TEAMS AND SELL SPONSORSHIPS !! WE ARE ASKING EVERY CLUB TO SELL AT LEAST ONE SPONSORSHIP OR ENTER A TEAM. We also need HELP the day of the event. Please call Barry Shalowitz (730-2435), Franklin Jones (370-8577), Gene Campbell (363-1781), Scott Townsend (512-2093) or Otis Hall (366-33930 if you can help in any way with this event. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call us. Also mail your completed team and sponsorship forms along with your money(checks) to Gene Campbell, P O Box 95, King William, Va 23086. We need the sponsorship forms by Sept 2 in order to have the sponsorship signs printed by Sept 16. We will accept team forms/entries up till Sept 16 but would like these forms turned in by Sept 2 so we will know how many teams to prepare for. Entry fee money must be paid by the day of the event, Sept 16. Registration begins at 11:30am the day of the event and tee off is at 1pm.



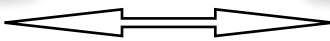
Last year's First Place Team

Email addresses of some club officers are being returned to me as undeliverable. If your club officers don't receive one, or if any member would like an electronic copy please send your e-mail address to: [nanarvr@hughes.net](mailto:nanarvr@hughes.net)

## DISTRICT GOVERNOR



Scott Townsend

MESSAGES  
FROM

## LT. DISTRICT GOVERNOR



Johnny Moore

I hope everyone is having a great summer and staying cool in this dreadful heat! I cannot believe that year is half over, where has the time gone? Various club projects continue throughout the district in support of the communities in which we live.

The next few months will be busy with all sorts of wonderful events planned. A few reminders about major dates this Fall...

The district golf tournament will be held at Queenfield Golf Course on Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. The goal is to have 100% participation from all of the clubs by having at least one team from each club at the tournament. This is sure to be an event that you won't want to miss!! All are welcome, so get teams together for a fun filled day!

Time is running out to get your raffle tickets, so keep selling! The District Raffle will be drawn October 2 at the District Picnic being held at the King William Ruritan Club. Information on this event, including each Club's responsibilities, have been mailed.

The District Convention will be held at the Fort Magruder Hotel and Conference Center in Williamsburg on November 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. Franklin Jones is doing a wonderful job planning a weekend full of faith, fellowship, and fun. More information, including the weekend's itinerary, to come.

Governor, Continued on page 3

NOT AVAILABLE AT PRESS TIME

From District Secretary Gloria Winston

I am here bringing you some disappointing news. Our Lt. Governor Johnny Moore has to resign his position.

While we are sorry Johnny has to resign we support him in his decision and wish him all the best as he moves forward with his job and his upcoming position as "president elect" of the Virginia Pharmacist Association. Congratulations on this exciting position Johnny.

Scott is on top of this and is handling how we move forward. If you have comments or thoughts please let Scott or myself know. We are here to assist you.

Please join Scott & I in congratulating Johnny & wishing him well as he takes on this new role.

Four from **Warwick Ruritan** visited the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank for breakfast, a program on the operations of the Foodbank, tour of the facilities & then a work session. The visit was very outstanding and we got to see the very complex and outstanding job they do. [Photo 6 page 5](#)

Danis Lensch USO Center Director was the June speaker, she spoke on the many things that the USO does for our Military personnel & their families.

Danis receives a check from Woody Sanders President Warwick Ruritan. [Photo 7 page 5](#)

## Governor, Continued from page 2

Please continue to making "CHEMO CAPS". The children love them and they serve as a reminder that they are not alone in a fight to get them healthy again. It is my hope that the district will continue this project until cancer is wiped off the face of this earth.

I want to thank each and every one of you for all that you do in your communities. Your love of our country, your community, the military, our veterans, and each other is shown in what you do every day.

Thank you and keep up the great work!

W. Scott Townsend

Chesapeake District Governor

### FIVE FORKS RURITAN

A Call for Ruritan Aviators:

Join in Fellowship with Ruritan Aviation Enthusiasts...sponsored by Five Forks Ruritan Club and Williamsburg Jamestown Airport (KJGG)

In celebration of airport's 46th anniversary on September 17, 2016. at 100 Marclay Rd. Williamsburg, VA 23185

Register to fly or drive in with  
budjensen27@gmail.com

Subject: fly in.  
757 258 8920

It is with profound sadness the **Glendale Ruritan Club** had to say farewell to Louis "Herman" Hayes, who passed away on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Louis was a kind man who never missed an opportunity to share his joy of serving his community through the Ruritan Club. At this week's meeting, many of our members shared stories of working alongside of Louis throughout the years. As I write this, my family can count ourselves as some of the members who are able to thank Louis for introducing us to the Ruritan. Louis was a member of the Ruritan family for almost 50 years. Throughout those years Louis attended all meetings, volunteered at almost every event. He was teased by members, "Louis, you will never have to worry about service hours, you have enough to last many years once you passed this life. God speed, Louis, we will miss you.

### From National Director Bobby Burton

Well, fellow Chesapeake Ruritans, the HOT SUMMER has finally descended upon us. It is the time of our Ruritan year that a lot of our membership are taking family vacations, doing things to try to keep "cool", and staying busy.

Many clubs are having their family picnics, community meals (like BBQ's), golf tournaments, open house events to make their communities aware of their presence and all the "good" they contribute to the community, working at their local county fairs, plus many other ways to promote the Fellowship, Goodwill and Community Service that is the backbone of Ruritan. I understand that one club is sponsoring a National Night Out Event in their community.

I want to say "THANK YOU" to all the clubs that presented scholarships and awards to the "outstanding students" in their local club areas. These scholarships and awards will be appreciated by these students and show that folks in their community care and want them to be able to reach their goals in life.

The District had good response to the Summer Leadership Conference and Youth Camp, which shows that the Chesapeake District is truly the CADILLAC District in Ruritan.

On a GOOD note, as I look at our membership, we are on an upward trend. We are experiencing GROWTH. Even if the numbers are small at least we are staying on the plus side overall for the year. But remember, President Calvin has asked that we explore looking into areas of the District to try to start a "new" club. I want to add to this: If there is an area where we had a club before, it may be time to revisit that area and try again to start a club. Please let me or District Governor Scott know of these possibilities.

Now as we start to put together our plans for the Fall and to finish out 2016, we need to keep in mind our goal we started for 2016 — to continue to GROW the District, continue to do all we can in our local communities and neighborhoods in the name of Ruritan. Remember, too the District Convention in November where we all come together to celebrate the many accomplishments of the Chesapeake District.

Before closing, I want to thank the District for voting at the last Cabinet Meeting to step up and help a Ruritan Club (in West Virginia) who would otherwise not be able to meet their obligations to several deserving students. The Renick Club depends on their summer community festival to earn funds for their scholarships. That festival had to be cancelled because of the recent flooding in their area. They asked for help from Ruritanland. I am proud that the Chesapeake District stepped up with a generous donation to help this club. This District knows first hand what it is like to have some financial hard times. You are recovering from this and so will the Renick Club with the generosity of the Chesapeake District and many others in Ruritanland. Thank you for definitely WALKING THE WALK.

Please let me know how I can be of service to your club because I'm here to help in anyway I can. Like I have told all before, "I do not mind getting my hands dirty for Ruritan". If the Chesapeake District continues to "NEVER STOP WALKING the WALK for RURITAN", we will always be the CADILLAC District in Ruritan.

Bobby Burton, National Director



# PHOTO



Montpelier Boy Scout Troop perform

Montpelier Ruritan

Studley Ruritan



gives Rudy Bears to the local fire



2016 Scholarship winner

annual flag retirement ceremony

**Doswell Ruritan Club**  
Pork Barbeque  
**Dinner**



Adults \$9, Child 4-10, \$4 - rolls, beans, slaw, dessert, drinks. Aug 27, 5-7pm



Seeds for Kids  
Donated by  
Clay Springs Ruritans  
Farming is a Career  
Learn how to farm

**Clay Springs Ruritan** club 'business and professions committee' sponsored a seed give away at the Ashland Farmers Market opening day encouraging kids to grow food and consider farming / agriculture as a career.



# GALLERY

**Studley Ruritan**



Built handicap ramp for members grandmother

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**Gloucester Ruritan** presents



Scholarship to Maekenna Northstein

**Gloucester Ruritan** President Bob Beyea



2015 Outstanding Club President Award  
2015 Blue Ribbon Award

**Gloucester Ruritan**



welcomes 3 new members

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**Madison Ruritan** working Cafe at Caroline County Fair







On July 4<sup>th</sup>, the **Beaverdam Ruritan Club** had its 40<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Parade and Celebration. Despite the rain, we still had a good turnout with lots of good food and fun for the kids. Two Dignitaries of the Chesapeake District participated in the parade – Chesapeake District Secretary, Gloria Winston and Zone 7 Governor, Betty Lee Stanley. Our Grand Marshall this year was Bob Herzog, a charter member of our club. Bob really enjoyed his ride in the parade. Tom Checkosky, a member of the Beaverdam Ruritan Club was voted to represent the Beaverdam Ruritan Club as its candidate for Honorary Mayor of Beaverdam. Tom was soliciting votes all during the event. The Purple Heart Fire Truck honoring our veterans, rode in our parade for the third time. Several of our local veterans decided to get on board and ride in the parade. Miss Beaverdam winners from previous years were invited to participate in the parade. Several showed up, including Rickie Hall Smith, our current Honorary Mayor of Beaverdam who was also the very first Miss Beaverdam in 1976. Prizes were awarded to winners of the parade categories and to fire and rescue participants. The list of parade award winners has been posted to our website – [www.beaverdamruritan.com](http://www.beaverdamruritan.com). Photo 7,8, page 4

The Miss Beaverdam Winners for 2016 were crowned and are listed below in the order they appear in the picture, left to right -**Little Miss Beaverdam** - Abbi Luck, Age 5, Parents: Jennifer & David Luck  
**Little Junior Miss Beaverdam** - Alana Victoria, Age 9, Parents: Angelica Valencia and Jason Wise  
**Junior Miss Beaverdam** - Ani Checkosky, Age 12  
 Parents: Tomas and Lisa Checkosky Photo 9 page 4

A first for this year was a Classic Car and Street Rod Show and Competition. We plan on continuing this event into the future.

It was a perfect day for a tractor pull on June 11 at the **Callao Ruritan Club** recreation park. It was a huge success and well attended. The hook-ups of lawn and garden tractor pullers from Virginia and Maryland numbered over 140 in the 16 classes that are offered. Pullers ranged from 3 year-olds to those in their 80's and 3 generations of family members were represented. A big thank-you goes out to the mini-rod club who brought their machines out to demonstrate to the crowd just how fast and how much dust they can raise going down the track. The next pull in Callao is scheduled for September 10 and 11. Lawn and garden tractors pull on Saturday and antique and field stock tractors on Sunday. The annual auction is held on Saturday offering nearly 100 items that are donated from local merchants including anything from a restaurant gift certificate to septic tank service. Photo 2,3, page 5

Mark the date! On Friday August 19<sup>th</sup>, the **Abingdon Ruritan Club** will open its doors to everyone between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. to visit and learn how the club serves the community. Visitors will learn how the club helps make the community and county a better place to live.

Visitors will be able to tour the Club's main building and its fairgrounds. There will be tables or booths with information about club's various activities such as the seafood festivals, Relay for Life, club rental opportunities and scholarships. The Environmental, Citizenship/Patriotism, Social Development, Business/Professional and Public Service Committees will provide information about their activities.

Light refreshments will be served to be enjoyed while visiting the facility and the various displays. This is NOT a fundraising activity. There will be no vendors, nothing for sale, and no solicitations but you may be lucky enough to win a door prize.

The **Abingdon Ruritan Club** hereby cordially invites you to come to this open house and learn more about how we work to serve our community. We are located at 8784 Guinea Road in Hayes. For more information about this and other events, please visit our website at [www.abingdonruritanclub.com](http://www.abingdonruritanclub.com).

**Abingdon Ruritan** member Pete Shepherd was recognized by President Rose Taylor for achieving "Ruritan Forever" membership status. Shepherd also received the President's Golden Key Award for bringing in five new members into the club. Shepherd is the Abingdon Ruritan Club's 2014 Past President. Photo 1, page 4

The **Abingdon Ruritan Club** was very pleased and honored to have in attendance at its Spring Seafood Festival three Ruritan Nation Past-Presidents: Bobby Burton, Elliott Hogge and Van Lee. Also attending was the current National President Calvin Shelton. Pictured from left are Burton, Hogge, Lee, Shelton and Abingdon Club President Rose Taylor. Photo 2, page 4

**Abingdon Ruritan Club's** Environmental Committee, chaired by Alan Scales, conducted a volunteer marsh grass planting at Werowocomoco on Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup>. Seventeen members and guests of the Club participated in planting 1,800 plants covering over 7,500 square feet along 170 linear feet of shoreline. The planting was part of a project to protect over 300 feet of shoreline at the historic site from erosion that was threatening the integrity of the site. Photo 3,4, page 4

At **Abingdon Ruritan's** monthly meeting Camryn Molnar was awarded a Ruritan National Scholarship for \$515, Bailey Miller was awarded the Club's \$2,000 scholarship and Briana Abdul-Raqib received the Club's \$4,000 scholarship. Each recipient addressed the membership and provided information about where they plan to attend college and their academic plans. Photo 5, page 4

**Abingdon Ruritan Club** recently donated \$500 to the Gloucester County TRIAD. A check was presented by the Club's Public Service Committee co-chair Mike Ekdahl to Commonwealth Attorney Holly Smith Photo 6, page 4

TRIAD is a cooperative effort of law enforcement agencies (police, fire and sheriffs), senior citizens, and senior organizations, focused on reducing crimes against seniors in our communities

## M O R E C L U B N E W S

The **Chesapeake District Annual Picnic** will be held on October 2, 2016 at the King William Ruritan Club. This is a time where members of our District can come together for fun and fellowship. Please announce to your club members so that they may put the date on their calendars. Listed below are the zones and what I would appreciate if each would donate to the picnic.

- Zone 1 - Plates, cups, cutlery, napkins
- Zone 2 - Meats (Ex. Fried chicken, barbecue, etc.)
- Zone 3 - Drinks (Ex. Soft drinks, lemonade, water), Ice
- Zone 4 - Salads (Ex. Tossed salads, congealed salads)
- Zone 5 - Side Dishes (Ex. Baked beans, Potato salad, and Cole slaw)
- Zone 6 - Snacks (Ex. Potato chips, dip, Nacho Chips, etc.)
- Zone 7 - Desserts
- Zone 8 - Side Dishes (Ex. Baked beans, pasta salad, and potato salad)

An auction will be held to benefit Fisher House at McGuire Veterans Hospital. Please bring an item or items to be auctioned off in order that we may continue our Ruritan pledge to help those in need. If you would like to do so, please bring games such as corn hole, horseshoes, or similar games. We will draw the winner of the cash raffle at the picnic so I can hoping that each club has sold the tickets and is looking forward to finding out who the lucky winners are. Selling the tickets will help pay for our Convention so please do as much as you can. Thank you for your cooperation. Please ask members of your clubs to attend and bring their families in order that we may enjoy a day of coming together in friendship and fellowship.

Doswell Ruritan Club in conjunction with Va. Blood Services will host a blood drive on Sat. Aug 6th from 9-11 at the Doswell Community Center. There will also be a Community Flea Market on same day from 8-2. Call 804-876-3658 or 804-370-8577 to reserve \$15 space. breakfast, lunch and baked goods will be available

In April, **Glendale Ruritan Club** had our annual yard sale and rabies clinic. In addition, the Bloodmobile was invited to have a blood drive, which did quite well and will return Saturday, 22 October when we will also have another yard sale. Rabies Clinic has not been finalized at this writing. In addition, to the above, we had a bouncing house, cotton candy, hot dogs, hamburgers, french fries and drink. The Fire Department and EMT Crew was on hand to educate and inform adults and child about safety and volunteering. A big hit was our Cow Patty Bingo, though our steer did take his sweet old time. Shout out to Ernie, thank you for waiting out the steer. A busy day with lots of fun and folks asking will we do this again in the autumn. Answer; yes, we will.

We ended April with a Casino Night. A great time was had by all, with Black Jack, LCR, Poker, Silent Auction, 50/50 raffle, a live band and lots of food. We thank all the businesses and individuals who donated to our Silent Auction. we will host another Casino Night in 2017.

In May we donated the use of the hall to the Varina High School Key Club to host a special needs Prom. This year's theme was carnival. The Club also donated two hundred dollars (\$200.00) toward the cost of the Prom and several members provided a balloon arch, cotton candy machine and popcorn machine towards the festivities. We also had several members who donated dresses, The attendees had a wonderful time arriving in limos, dressed in their finest to dance the night away. This is an event the Club looks forward to helping with each year. This is an event that fills our heart and soul. Photo 4,5, page 5

On 21 May, we donated the use of the property to a fund raiser for a local family, who has incurred large medical costs. They were looking for a place to cook and sell pork butts, to offset the bills. We also made a donation of \$150.00 to this local family, who has been quite active within the community.

The Strawberry festival was the last Saturday of May, and we had members to cook hamburgers, hot dogs, French fries, fried pickles for a non-stop crowd.

We ended May with our Memorial Day Service and Luncheon. The Club also donated \$150.00 to the Jefferson Family, a local family, who lost their home and belongings to a fire. The last day of school saw us at Ward Elementary. We presented five fifty (\$50.00) gift cards for Barnes and Nobles, to the top readers in each of the five graduating classes.

At the July meeting, we presented Taylor Loving a three hundred dollar (\$300.00) scholarship toward her goal of attending Dental Hygienist School.

**Atlee Ruritan Club** will celebrate it's 55th year of community service as we celebrate our club's anniversary this month.

**James City County Ruritan Club** President JT Brown presents a check to annual scholarship winner, Alexis Brender A Brandis and her parents. Alexis is a senior at Lafayette High School and will be attending the College of William & Mary in the fall.

Photo 1, page 5



Rutherford Glen, Va. 22546  
5111 Hewlett Rd.  
Chesapeake Crab

ATTENTION ALL  
CLUBS  
SEND IN THE  
DATES OF YOUR  
EVENTS ALONG  
WITH ARTICLES  
AND PHOTOS

# CALENDAR

If you are ever attacked by a bunch of clowns...  
Go for the juggler.

## NEWSLETTER INFO

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## DEADLINE --Sept 24th

submit by e-mail (preferred)  
or typewritten

### August

Presidents appoint  
nominating  
committee  
2-Beaverdam  
National Night  
Out  
6- Doswell Flea  
Mkt & Blood Drive  
19- Abingdon  
Awareness Night  
19- Beaverdam  
Bingo  
27- Doswell Pork  
BBQ Dinner

### September

5- Labor Day  
8- Beaverdam Brew  
Jam Beer Fest  
10- Reedy Church  
Variety Show  
10-11- Callao Tractor  
pull  
16- Dist. Golf  
Tournament  
17- Dist. Ad sales due  
17- Five Forks Fly-in  
18 Cabinet meeting,  
Varina  
22- 1st Day Autumn  
23- Beaverdam Bingo

### October

Dues to National  
Clubs elect officers  
Clubs select  
delegates to Dist  
Conv.  
1- Community  
Service reports due  
1- Madison Salt Fish  
B-fast  
2- Dist Picnic  
8- Beaverdam  
Heritage Days  
22- Glendale Yard  
sale & Blood Drive