



The Ruritan Eagle



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Work Zone - Holland District Ruritans at Work



Pictured are club, zone, and district volunteers at the David Martin Family Fund-raiser held by the **Deep Creek Club**. David Martin, a student at Deep Creek High School, was killed by a hit and run driver as he was returning home from his job at Food Lion. David was working to help support his family. The Deep Creek Club raised \$3,400 to assist the family with financial obligations and funeral expenses.



Stan Turner was honored as a Ruritan Forever by the **Isle of Wight Club** for his many unselfish deeds and service to the community. As a Ruritan Forever, Stan is a life-time participant of the Ruritan National Organization. His dues are paid forever. For more information about honoring club members with this perpetual membership plan, see the winter issue of the **Ruritan** magazine.



Claremont Club President Louise Sober looks on as Santa (Barry Lodge) and Mrs. Claus talk with children at the "Christmas in Claremont" Party. Each child was provided with a stocking of goodies.

Use the Holland District Website

Go to hollanddistrictruritans.org to add club events to the district calendar and see our outstanding website.



Kings Fork's new teen member Josh Raby is busy preparing waffle batter at the club's annual waffle breakfast



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Outstanding Award

Holland District Was a Winner!

At the recent Ruritan National Convention, the Holland District took first place for our Holland District Newsletter, first place for 100% club participation in the Ruritan National Foundation, and second place for our new Holland District Website (hollanddistrictruritans.org).



Donald Worrell accepting growth award.

Holland and **Liberty Spring** received awards at the Ruritan National Convention for growth in membership in 2005. The top ten growth clubs in Ruritan National were recognized. Let's see more Holland District clubs grow in 2006!

Winter Zone Meetings Held

Thanks to **Magnolia, Newsoms, Adams Grove-Grizzard, Grassfield, Isle of Wight, and Disputanta** Clubs for hosting the winter zone meetings. Club presidents shared upcoming projects and club officer training was conducted. All in attendance enjoyed the food and fellowship.

See your club information in the newsletter. Send to Bill Lewter, Newsletter Editor, 547 Parker Road, Chesapeake, VA 23322 or e-mail articles and digital pictures to wmlwter@verizon.net for publication. If you want Bill to cover the event in person, contact him at 757-547-8988.

From the Desk of:

Vernon Teall Holland District Governor

Governor Vernon Teall Announces Guidelines for Outstanding Club Awards

Ten clubs in the Holland District earned the Governor's Award for leadership excellence in 2005. Congratulations to **Bethlehem, Cypress, Holland, and Liberty Spring** in Zone 1, **Jarratt** in Zone 3, **Deep Creek and South Norfolk** in Zone 4, **Isle of Wight and Zuni** in Zone 5, and **Prince George** in Zone 6 for earning the Outstanding Club Awards. This most prestigious of all club awards will continue in 2006. Clubs that meet ALL of the following criteria will be eligible to receive this award.

1. Monthly reports submitted on time (by the 10th of the following month).
2. National dues and/or monies owed to Ruritan National paid on time (by the 10th of the following month).
3. No net loss in club membership during the year (January 1 to October 31) and clubs must be at charter strength by October 31.
4. 100% club officers trained by March 1.
5. New club officers elected and reported to district governor by September 30th following club officers' election.
6. Community Service reports completed and submitted to District Governor by September 30th.
7. Club represented by at least one member at the Founders' Day Banquet, two teams at the Founders' Day Golf Tournament, or a float in the Founders' Day Parade. (Note: Members of your club who are District Cabinet members DO NOT count towards club representation on this event UNLESS they are also serving as a current club officer.)
8. Club represented by a least one member at both winter and summer zone meetings (see note in number 7 above).
9. Club has a club ad in the District Yearbook.
10. Club has at least one member pre-registered to attend the District Convention (see note in number 7 above).

From the desk of:

Bill Lewter, Lt. Governor

I am honored to serve as your Holland District Lt. Governor and look forward to working with you this year. One of my assignments will be the Founders' Day Weekend. May 19-21, 2006 has been set aside to honor Ruritans' founders. It is a time for all Ruritans to celebrate and participate. Please plan to attend the following special events:

- Friday, May 19 – Golf at Lake Gaston Golf Course in Lake Gaston, VA. The format is Florida best ball with a 1:00 shotgun start. A buffet dinner will be served.
- Saturday, May 20 – Ceremony in Holland at 10:00 a.m. followed by the parade at 11:00.
- Saturday evening – Dinner celebration at 5:00 p.m. in the Holland Ruritan Club followed by fireworks and entertainment.
- Sunday, May 21 – 11:00 a.m. worship service at Holy Neck United Church of Christ on Pineview Road.

Registration forms for golf, hole sponsorship, and the dinner are included in this newsletter or online at hollanddistrictruritans.org. See you at Founders' Day!



The Annual Waffle Breakfast at **Kings Fork** was a huge success with the community.

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News From National



National President Announces Theme for 2006

"All Things Are Possible" is the theme selected by National President Joe Pancione for 2006. As Ruritans working in our communities we know that we can make things happen. As we work to grow new clubs and recruit new members, remember that all things are possible when we work together.

New National Director Assigned

President Joe Pancoine has assigned Phyllis Lewter as National Director to the Holland District. Phyllis is a past Holland District Governor. She looks forward to attending Holland District meetings and activities. If you would like Phyllis to attend special events at your club, please contact her by phone at 757-547-8988 or email her at hollandgov@yahoo.com.

National Election Results

President – Joe Pancione, WV
Vice President – Jimmy Bristow, SC
Secretary – Kathy Brooks, TN
Treasurer – Fred Venable, NC
National Directors – Phyllis Lewter, VA; Jayson Duncan, NC; JoAnn Wenger, VA; Karl Kelsey, KS; Phil Jeffries, WV; Wayne Owens, SC; Maxine Duke, TN
National Trustee – Richard Keener, NC

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2006 NATIONAL CONVENTION



Convention Delegates

Campaign Workers



South Norfolk Club Members & Friends