



Lucketts Ruritan Club, Inc.
 42361 Lucketts Road, P. O. Box 1291
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Next Meeting:
October 8, 2013
7:30 PM in the Lucketts
Community Center

2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Past President **Peter Baker**, President **Peter Gustafson**, Vice President **Jim McKenzie** Treasurer **Steve Scheibelhofer**, Secretary **Tony Meyerhofer**, Director 20012-14 **Steve Hillebrand**, Director 2013-15 **Matt Quitter**, Director 2011-13 **Stan Sorrell**

TRASH DUTY

REMEMBER: You or your partner must pick up the table, chairs, and donation box and traffic cones from the firehouse and take to the school before 8:00 AM. After noon, Buddy Moreland's daughter Tara Lynn and/or son-in-law, Ray Sullivan, will collect cash from the donation box; you (or your partner) then **return the cones, donation box, chairs and table to the firehouse. Please make sure you and your partner clean up the area around the trash truck and the recycle bins!**

Coordinate with partner in advance of Saturday!

October

- 10/5 **Frankenfield** 571-246-2844 **Ernst** 571 246-3884
- 10/12 **Quitter** 703-777-8511 & **Nassauer** 914 329-1877
- 10/19 **Snidow** 703-777-6105 & **Kibler** 703-980-2990
- 10/26 **Kenna** 904-377-6557 & **Hyland** 703-443-9140

November

- 11/2 **Hillebrand** 703-777-8010 & **McKenzie** 703-669-0169
- 11/9 **Baker** 703-615-2221 & **Adams** 703-777-7814
- 11/16 **Fabbioli** 703-771-1197 & **Gustafson** 703-777-6368
- 11/23 **Fauber** 703-777-8491 & **Howder** 703-777-6559
- 11/30 **Henning** 703-729-4245 & **Dee** 540-822-5967

December

- 12/7 **Henning** 703-729-4245 & **Small** 703-777-9056
- 12/14 **Cleland** 703-779-7564 & **Presgraves** 703-777-1640
- 12/21 **Wiseman** 703-777-2168 & **Theobald** 301-325-1764
- 12/28 **Moffett** 703-431-7159 & **Bond** 703-771-6007

**Minutes of the September 10, 2013
 Membership Meeting**

Attending—(27) active members: Adams, Baker, Bond, Crooks, Dee, Ernst, Fabbioli, Falk, Fisher, Frankenfield, K. Glaeser, Gustafson, Hart, Henning, Howder, Kemp, Kenna, McKenzie, Meyerhofer, Moreland, Nassauer, Quitter, Runde, Scheibelhofer, Siebentritt, Snidow, Wiseman

Liaison: Jim Hobbie

Guests: Geary Higgins, Stacy Carey, Michele Ferreira, Liz Penaranda, and David Ogden

President Gustafson called the General Membership Meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

John Adams delivered the invocation.

A motion to approve the August minutes was made, seconded, and approved.

Steve Scheibelhofer presented the Treasurers report, which was reviewed and approved.

The membership thanked the ladies of Furnace Mountain Church for a great meal of Fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, cooked peas, Jell-O fruit salad, and cakes for desert.

PROGRAM and ENTERTAINMENT

Peter Baker introduced our guest speaker Geary Higgins, the Loudoun County Supervisor for the Catocin District. Mr. Higgins distributed and discussed the plan for the Lucketts Safety Initiative. The Lucketts Safety Initiative includes the addition of sidewalks, left turn pockets, and splitter islands. May 2014 VDOT expects to hold the first public hearing on the design, with implementation in Spring 2016. One third of the cost of the project is currently funded. On a separate note, funding for gravel roads is not increased for this year.

Mr. Higgins also mentioned the problem of large and overweight trucks coming in from MD. There is a proposal to put in a permanent in-ground scale, and they are looking for funding for this project. The area of the installation is in the red gravel area between Lucketts and Spinks Ferry Road on the South bound direction. The truckers are well aware that currently there is no scale on Highway 15, hence the high amount of truck traffic, especially at night and early morning hours. The scale would be operated on an irregular hours.

Then the meeting was opened up to question and answer session.

The safety issue caused by deep ruts and potholes on the edge of Highway 15 was raised. If drivers drift out of the lane and into these ruts, the drivers easily over-correct and head into oncoming traffic. There have been a number of fatalities that occurred in the past due to this very reason. Recently Board Member Steve Hillebrand was almost hit head on by just this situation. E-mail was provided to Mr. Higgins that detailed this incident that occurred just North of Farmer John's. A suggested solution to My Higgins was VDOT immediately fill in potholes on the shoulder. A long-term solution is for VDOT to pave the shoulders and add rumble strips, as is done on Highway 15 South of Leesburg.

The increased crime in the Selma area was mentioned, and Mr. Higgins will contact the Sherriff to increase awareness.

Traffic congestion Northbound on Highway 15 at the traffic light and Raspberry Falls intersection was discussed. A traffic circle was discussed, but would be years away. The possibility of traffic circle has been discussed but that is not on the 5 year plan and so is still years away. Mr. Higgins agreed to contact VDOT to check the traffic light timing, and tuning of the light cycle.

An issue was raised concerning the requirement to pump septic systems every 5 years, or pay a fine. The objection was that 5 years requirement was not necessary in every case, if the septic system is lightly used.

Stacy Carey, Mr. Higgins Chief Aide, made notes to follow-up with VDOT and Sherriff on the issues raised.

NEW BUSINESS

John Adams discussed the proposed Lucketts Rural Economic Development Initiative, which will tie in with the County Rural Development Program. The Board recommended to the

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general membership to put the Initiative to general vote for approval. The proposal was approved by the general membership. John Adams will need to build team members and develop a plan that insures that concept is kept within the scope and size the club can support.

Sean discussed the results of the survey, running about 60 to 7 in favor of reverting back to the previous traffic flow. Sean has scheduled additional people to assist with traffic on September 28th. A sign will be posted to advise patrons of the upcoming pattern switch on September 28th. Ryan will do an e-mail blast to the general population.

As part of a September membership initiative, '*You're Invited to Dinner*' cards have been printed to help solicit new members. The cards will be in the donation box used for Saturday trash. Also, a poster is to be placed at the Saturday morning compacter/recycling service. It will highlight information about the club and what we do—helpful in getting the word out to others in the Community.

Dave Crooks spoke briefly about keeping the Club's web site up to date, and performing maintenance. Members are encouraged to volunteer.

OLD BUSINESS

New member Mike Runde was welcomed. Mike was voted in at the previous general membership meeting. New Member kits including Ruritan National and Lucketts Handbook, name badge, hat, and Ruritan pin were provided to all the new members.

Fair Parking report shows almost \$3000 was added to club treasury. The club is looking for a volunteer to assume Dan's role of organizing and to be the lead on parking for the Lucketts Fair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Divas Half Marathon is Saturday September 14, 2013, which will have rolling road closures at Lost Corner and other roads in the area.

Ruritan shirts available, contact Tony Meyerhofer if you are interested. These are nice polo style shirts embroidered with the Ruritan logo.

The Harvest Moon Barn Dance is Saturday September 21st. This is a great event and fundraiser.

Lucketts Old School is celebrating 100 years Saturday September 28th.

George Little, the son of former Ruritan member Tom Little, is the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs and Pentagon Press Secretary.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

Attending: Baker, Gustafson, Hillebrand, McKenzie, Meyerhofer, Snooks, Sorrell, and Scheibhofer.

Pres. Gustafson called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM

- A motion was made and approved for 'At Large' members to pay their annual \$44.00 National Dues starting Jan 2014.
- Peter Baker provided requests from two applicants to join the Ruritan Club. The Board reviewed and approved the applications, and will present for vote in the General Membership Meeting. Peter Baker will talk about membership in November meeting.
- Board reviewed and approved the Annual Audit of Financial Records Report. The committee will move forward with recommendation to use a Portfolio Manager to look at our investments. Peter Baker will make a recommendation whom to contact.
- Landfill Waiver submitted and in progress, expect to be released in November for approval in April 2014.
- Dick Snooks preliminary Fair Report showing approx \$1400 provided to the Club.
- Compactor Service subcommittee should develop a backup plan for donation collection pickup. A backup is important for all Community Service teams.
- Poster for display at Trash is in progress.
- Pres. Gustafson showed the Ruritan Elevator Speech business cards for use by members.
- Steve Hillebrand needs volunteers for Waterford Fair, and Best Buddies parking.
- Perfect Attendance Report was sent to Ruritan.

New Business

- Club Treasure's records will be backed-up to the Cloud automatically. Ryan has access to the account and would be the backup in case Steve is unavailable.
- Ruritan National requests Annual reports from the five Community Service Committees: Business and Professionals, Environment, Citizenship and Patriotism Committee, Public Services, and the Social Development Committee. The report should list projects, member hours worked, and money spent or provided. To be discussed in the future.
- Nominating Committee has started discussions.

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- October speaker is proposed to be Carolyn Dobson, Marketing Director of Loudoun Interfaith Relief

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM
