

July



2009

# Hickory Ruritan Club

## Hickory Mules in Action

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**Fish Fry**—Prep and Serving: Carl Jensen, Dick Carter, Frontis Cochran, Doc Bucher, Charlie Bond, Ed Abrames, Kim Starring, Mike Starring, Rusty Starring, Tom Holmes, Frank Williams, Bob Snow, Dick McGuire, Mark VanZandt, Anthony Draper, Carl Witten, Denise Ferrell, Mickey Ferrell, Fred McKenna, Thurman Alexander, Mark Lehman, Richard Brink = **140 hours**

**Building**—George Reich, Vera Reich = **80 hours**

**Kitchen Crew**—June meal: Mickey Ferrell, Frontis Cochran, Bob Snow, Bill Brooks, Thurman Alexander, Tom Holmes, Ed Abrames, Dick Carter = **20 hours**

**Blood Drive**—16 pints of blood collected: Carl Jensen, Richard Brink, Fred McKenna, Dickie Carter, Mike Colbert = **32 hours**

**Bluegrass**—June 27: Richard Brink, Doc Bucher, Frontis Cochran, Carl Jensen, Dick McGuire, Frank Williams, Gene Phelps, Bob Snow, Carl Witten, June Vinson, Mike Starring, Mike Colbert, Thurman Alexander, Rusty Starring = **54 hours**

**Cit. & Pat: Food Drive**—In June, **33 lbs** of food and **\$25** cash; Randy Luton: delivery of food = **1 hour**; Citizenship Awards: Randy Luton, Carl Witten = **6 hours**

**Soc. Dev. Activities**—June Vinson, Anthony Draper, Fred McKenna = **13 hours**

**Auction**—picked up furniture: Carl Jensen, Dick Carter, Ed Abrames, Bob

## Actions and Recommendations of the Board

- A. Recommend for approval a \$200 donation to the Tidewater Winds musical group.
- B. Recommend for approval a \$300 donation to the Laura Marie Etzell Aspiring Teachers Scholarship Fund.
- C. Accepted the withdrawal of membership of Bill and Gina Brooks.

## MOON PHASES

New Moon – Jul 22

First Quarter – Jul 28

Full Moon – Aug 6

Last Quarter – Aug 13

New Moon – Aug 20

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Life's most  
persistent question  
is: What are you  
doing for others?  
--Martin Luther  
King Jr.

## Ruritans in Action in the Holland District

We're saddened to learn that the Bennett's Creek Ruritan Club has disbanded. According to member E.D. Smith, as reported in the Suffolk News –Herald, "Members were getting older, interest was waning. We need young blood. We need six or eight 30-year-olds to make it work." The Bennett's Creek Club was in existence for 39 years and performed countless hours of community service and donated thousands of dollars to support the Bennett's Creek Rescue Squad, the Salvation Army, the Boy Scouts, the VFW and other community groups needing their help. There is a clear and pressing message for our club in this unfortunate passing. We, too, are an aging club with decreasing attendance at meetings, fund raisers, and other functions. Please be on the look-out for potential members who will be able to carry on the excellent degree of service for which our club is so well-known. Our older members and those before us worked hard to build this club into a vital, active presence in the Hickory Community. We need to make sure that legacy is maintained and continued.

### Hickory Club Ruritans Upcoming Schedule

Jul 21 7:00-8:30 pm Membership Meeting

Jul 25 5:00-9:00 pm Bluegrass Concessions

**Please remember to bring some canned goods to the July 21 Membership meeting. This is an easy and very beneficial way for us to be of service to our community. Let's see if we can collect 1,000 pounds of food before the year's end. To date we have collected 280 lbs of food and \$83.**

Clean-up after the July Membership meeting is the responsibility of the Business and Professions Committee.

### *Other Hickory News of Interest*

The South Norfolk Ruritan Club's second annual crab feast was quite an event. They served over 70 bushels of crabs as well as barbecue, hush puppies, cole slaw and drinks to slake everyone's thirst. There was even entertainment—a band called Southern Blend. The winner of the 50-50 raffle received close to \$700!

Our award winning BBQ will be on the menu at our July 21 membership meeting.

Keep in your thoughts and prayers Marilyn Hicks, Pete Harrell and Billy Deford who are all dealing with serious medical issues. Also, remember James Walston whose great niece, Laura Etzell, died in an automobile accident last week.

Ten scholarship recipients and their guests will join us for dinner this Tuesday. Please make them feel welcome. The scholarship recipients are Brandi Brink, Ryan Brink, Christopher Boykin, Katherine Chappell, Maggie Gregg, Brooke Lampert, Desiree Lavilla, Frederick Paul McKenna III, Chelsea Sue Peoples, and Carly Williams.

George and Ann Hathaway have moved to the Georgian Manor located at River Walk Parkway

Support the Creeds Ruritan Club by attending their BBQ dinner on August 1 at the Ruritan Barn at 1057 Princess Anne Rd. The cost is \$7 and there will be a silent auction as well. Proceeds go to benefit the Rob Woodlock Family. It starts at 11:30 a.m. and goes until.....

Thanks to the following family members who volunteered at some of our recent functions: JoAnn Snow, Becky Ferguson, and Stuart Ferguson.