

Blue Ribbon Award Application

(Period from January 1 to December 31)

This application for the Blue Ribbon Award is to be completed and returned to the Ruritan National Office postmarked by **February 10** if your club has met the requirements listed below. The requirements above will be verified from club records on file in the Ruritan Home Office as appropriate.

- a. Has 90% attendance for January 1 through December 31, or have a membership increase of at least 10% and 75% or better attendance or the attendance requirement will be reduced from 90% by 5% for each 'Gold' Community Service award earned for the current year (up to 15%) to be lower than 75% attendance. (See reverse side of this application for a place to list your Gold awards.)
- b. One project completed in each of the five Community Service Committees (list on back of this form)
- c. Quarterly Activities and Attendance reports submitted (postmarked) to the Ruritan National Office no later than the 10th of the month (April 10, July 10, Oct. 10, Jan. 10,)
- d. National dues paid (postmarked) by the 10th of the second month of the quarter. (Feb. 10, May 10, Aug. 10, Nov. 10)
- e. Names and addresses of newly elected club officers submitted (postmarked) to the Ruritan National Office by November 10.
- f. Club must be at charter strength (16 members) as of December 31.
- g. Club shows no net loss in membership for the calendar year January 1 through December 31, therefore we must go back to December (of the previous year) report to get net membership as of January 1 and have no net loss for the current calendar year to be eligible for this award; however, if the death of a member occurs **after October 1 during the year**, this would not count against or affect the membership requirements of this award.
- h. Club must be represented at the district convention.
- i. All club officers must attend district or zone scheduled Club Officers' Training or complete on line training through the MMS by March 1.
- j. Blue Ribbon application must be submitted (postmarked) to the Ruritan National Office by February 10.
- k. The club's district governor must receive the club's Community Service Reports **postmarked** by October 1.

Attendance is computed as follows:

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Membership	Subtract On Leave	Subtract At Large	Subtract Honorary (paying)	Subtract Associate	Members Left (net)	Attendance	Make-Ups
January								
February								
March								
April								
May								
June								
July								
August								
September								
October								
November								
December								

(1) Total Members								
(2) Subtract On Leave								
(3) Subtract At Large								
(4) Subtract Honorary (paying)								
(5) Subtract Associate								
(6) Members Left								
(7) Total Attendance								
(8) Total Make-ups								
(9) Add lines 7 & 8								
(10) Divide line 9 by line 6								

According to our records, the _____ Club has met the requirements for the Blue Ribbon Award listed above.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Club Secretary

*NOTE: Active is any member who is not on leave, at large, honorary, or associate which is why all of these members are subtracted from the total calculation.

Please complete back of this form

Community Service Committee Projects Completed

(List **one** project completed for each committee)

1. Business and Professions _____

2. Citizenship and Patriotism _____

3. Environment _____

4. Public Services _____

5. Social Development _____

Gold Awards earned during the year - circle the ones that apply. Up to three can be listed for a 5% decrease in attendance each. See (a.) on the front of this form.

Business & Professions

Citizenship & Patriotism

Environment

Public Service

Social Development

If you win this Blue Ribbon Award you have a choice of prizes. Please check **one** of the following prizes:

_____ Traditional felt banner - Blue Ribbon Award

_____ Certificate and \$150 credit at National toward registration for attendee to attend convention

_____ Certificate and \$150 credit for supplies and Rudy Bears

Awards

Reminder: Many clubs that qualify for the Blue Ribbon Award may also qualify for the Outstanding Club President Award. Your club president WILL NOT automatically be considered for this award. *You must apply.* See the application on the page 19.

Outstanding Club President Award

Our club submits Club President _____ for the
Outstanding President Award. We certify that all criteria for this award as specified below
have been met.

First Name & Last Name

Name of Ruritan Club

Club Secretary

Date

Reminder: Many clubs that qualify for the Outstanding President Award may also qualify for the Blue Ribbon Award. You WILL NOT automatically be considered for this award. *You must apply.* See the application in this book.

The following criteria must be met to qualify for the Outstanding Club President Award:

- a. Quarterly Activities and Attendance reports submitted (postmarked) to the Ruritan National Office no later than the 10th of the month. (April 10, July 10, Oct. 10, Jan. 10)
- b. National dues are paid (postmarked) by the 10th of the second month of the quarter. (Feb. 10, May 10, Aug. 10, Nov. 10)
- c. Club must show no net loss in active membership for the calendar year ending December 31; however, if death of an active member occurs after October 1 during the year, this will not count against the active membership requirement for this award.
- d. Club represented at district convention.
- e. Club Community Service Reports postmarked to district governor by October 1.
- f. Average yearly attendance is 75% or greater.
- g. Names and addresses of newly elected club officers updated on the MMS or postmarked to the Ruritan National Office by November 10.
- h. Club must be above charter strength (16 members).
- i. Must attend one of the following during the calendar year: cabinet meeting, zone meeting, or district convention.
- j. Application must be submitted (postmarked) to the Ruritan National Office by February 10.

The following requirements are not necessary to qualify for the Outstanding Club President Award:

1. One project completed by each of the five (5) community service committees. (See the space on the back of this sheet to list projects).
2. All elected club officers (president, vice president, secretary, treasurer) must attend district or zone scheduled Club Officers' Training by March 1.

Community Service Committee Projects Completed

(List one project completed for each committee)

1. Business and Professions _____

2. Citizenship and Patriotism _____

3. Environment _____

4. Public Services _____

5. Social Development _____