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Build Your Dollars Clarifications

As we move further into 2019, your Foundation Trustees would like to address several misconceptions many clubs have regarding the Build Your Dollar (BY\$) scholarship program.

Distinct from Prior Programs

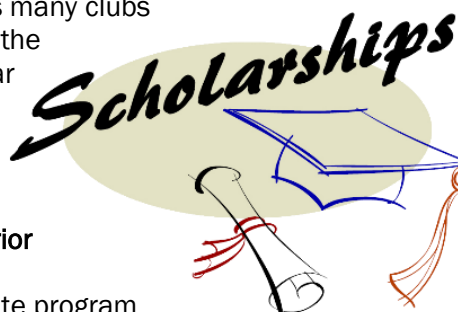
BY\$ is a separate program from the old, and now-ended, Double Your Dollar program. Even though Double Your Dollar ceased to exist years ago, many clubs still perceive the BY\$ through the lens of the Double Your Dollar program.

Clubs particularly remember racing to submit their \$300 deposit as soon as possible, only to be disappointed when the check returned a few weeks later with a note saying that they were too late to receive one of the limited number of scholarships. Clubs understandably became disillusioned with the process and stopped trying to participate.

Build Your Dollar is Not Competitive

Those days of competition and disappointment have ended. Under the current BY\$ program, every club that has their **\$300 deposit check and accompanying**

form postmarked by October 1st is eligible for one BY\$ scholarship the following year.



Clubs that meet the October 1st deadline have until June 30th of the following year to submit the **BY\$ claim form**, which triggers delivery of the scholarship check to the club.

Every Club is Eligible

Although each club is limited to one BY\$ scholarship each program year, there is no longer a cap to total scholarships. In theory, every single club in all of Ruritan could award a BY\$ scholarship in the same year.

This year, 448 clubs will receive a \$600 Build Your Dollar Grant. In 2020, the Foundation would be thrilled to give grants to all 939 Ruritan Clubs. All of these improvements have been for the benefit of Ruritan clubs and the students in their communities.

If you can think of anything the Foundation Trustees can do to improve the BY\$ program further, please contact the Trustees or send your idea to the Ruritan National office. We would love to get ideas for how we can make the program better.

Foundation Fellowship Cruise



Join the Foundation for an exciting five-night **cruise to Bermuda** aboard the Royal Caribbean *Grandeur of the Seas*. See the **flyer** or contact Amanda for more information.



Birthday Club

Remember to encourage your club to be a part of the **Birthday Club**! Join **these clubs** in donating \$10 per active member to receive a recognition plaque to display proudly. Your club can also participate by donating \$2 per active member.

Contact Us!

Have questions about the Foundation? Feel free to reach out to us. We are here to serve you.

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