#### Ruritan National Foundation

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### Planning for the Fall

As we take stock of what our Ruritan Clubs have done this year and the awards they have earned, let us keep in mind



those graduates that we have helped with Build Your Dollar (BY\$) and other scholarships and grants.

#### **Support Ruritan Students**

Scholarship recipients and other Ruritan students have worked hard to get to where they are now, and we as Ruritans need to recognize that. But just because students have deposited the checks and left for school doesn't mean Ruritan work is done—continue to support your scholarship recipients and other students during the academic year. Consider sending them a care package when exam time draws near or perhaps mail in a "thinking of you" card a few weeks into the semester. By letting these students know Ruritans are thinking about them and are behind them 100 percent, they are more likely to come back and become Ruritans after school.

#### **Upcoming Deadlines**

Time marches on, and it is coming down to the deadline for submitting your club's deposit for next year's BY\$ scholarship. Please get your deposits and the accompanying form in by October 1, 2019. We can not accept any deposits that are postmarked after that date, and every year we have to explain to clubs whose deposits were late why they cannot participate. You don't want to be one of those clubs.

This year, clubs participating in BY\$ helped 500 students with their college expenses. This figures still leaves half of our clubs missing out on this opportunity. If your club hasn't participated before, this is the year to begin!

#### Other Ways to Help

Clubs can also help the Ruritan National Foundation grow by starting or contributing to a club's education fund while earning awards. Join the Birthday Club by donating either \$2 or \$10 per member to earns the club a certificate or plaque. Individuals can also help the RNF grow by starting or contributing to an education fund. As



#### **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.

## Honor a Loved One with the Foundation

The Foundation encourages donations in honor of a family member or friend or for special service. Consider asking for donations to the Foundation in lieu of flowers during a time of grieving and as an annual remembrance of deceased members. The family of a deceased or honored person will be notified of the gift(s) to Foundation if an address for the family is provided.



#### Contact Us!

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

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the Foundation's corpus grows, so will the payout of all scholarships.

As the summer fades away and the cool breezes of the fall take hold, may your club be successful in your fund raising and benevolence. On behalf of all the RNF Trustees, we thank you for all you do for Ruritan and the Ruritan National Foundation. Thank you!

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