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Foundation Fellowship Cruise Report

Well landlubbers, it's time to update you on our Ruritan National Foundation Fellowship cruise.



High Seas Excitement

We left Baltimore on the afternoon of

Saturday, September 14, under cloudy skies and smooth seas. We had a group of 58 Ruritans and significant others making the voyage with us, and we had 4 other Ruritans who were in another group sailing at same time. Wow, 62 going from Baltimore to Bermuda!

But watch out, there was a storm brewing near the Bahamas. We made it to port in Bermuda after one and a half days of sailing. We were supposed to have another day and a half in port, but just before we docked, the captain announced that we would be leaving Bermuda the very next morning rather than late afternoon the next day. Although it was disappointing at first, it proved to be a smart decision!

Eight hours later we were in 6 to 8 foot seas battling 30 m.p.h. winds. Overnight, the seas grew to 12 to 14 feet high, and the gusts got above 60 m.p.h. Yes, you worked your sea legs going anywhere in that ship. Even things that seemed stable ended up on the floor—(I saw one stack of plates go sailing across the floor!).

After the 2-day sail back to Baltimore, our trip was over. Despite the weather, it seems like everyone had a great time and are looking forward to the next Ruritan cruise.

Planning for 2020

Since summer is now over, I know every club is busy with their fundraising projects and getting ready for district conventions and the upcoming Ruritan National convention in Kingsport, TN.

Soon you will be setting your club's budget for 2020. Please remember the Ruritan National Foundation when you do so. Your club needs to approve the \$300 deposit



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.

Corky Camin, President Brent Wheeler, Vice-

for the 2021 Build Your Dollar scholarship cycle.

Of course, you can donate to any RNF education fund at anytime. If your club doesn't have an education fund, consider starting one and donating regularly. Once it hits \$1,000, it becomes a permanent fund. When it hits \$10,000, you can convert it to an endowed education fund generating its own scholarship. To date, there are 50 endowed scholarships established with the RNF—and your club can be number 51!

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