2022 National President Glen Broadwater



Hello my Ruritan Family, my how the year is flying by. Linda and I have been very busy since our last issue. We have been traveling across this great Ruritan Land. What we have found is excitement and commitment to continue to create a thriving community. All are dedicated to improving communities and building a better American through Fellowship, Goodwill and Community Service. When we come together to serve our community we are fulfilled, with fellowship and goodwill seen throughout.

We have attended and participated in club anniversaries, parades, fairs, and festivals. What they all have in common are Ruritan Clubs with their dedicated members are making this happen. My question to you is what would your community be without your club? I don't think any of us want to see that void.

What we often hear is that we can't get new members to join. Is it that people don't want to see their community thrive? I don't think so. Could it be us? Could it be that they don't know and understand what Ruritan is or what we do? Could it be the way that we approach them? Could it be the way that we ask? Are we asking? Everyone wants to be a part of something that is positive, exciting and have ownership in it. Invite good folks to be a part of your club and be willing and open for their involvement and ideas. Encourage them and make them a vital part of your club. The lifelong friendship that we will gain is priceless.

At the beginning of the year, I asked each district to add four clubs to their district. As of this date it hasn't happened. Our adjoining communities need and would greatly benefit from what we have to offer. Again, it is up to each of us to make this happen. They cannot benefit if we don't introduce them to Ruritan for most only know the name and no idea of our vision or mission. I am counting on each to do your part.

This year the exciting part is that as of now we have chartered six new clubs. The latest two are Sterling Club in Sterling, Nebraska and Round Mountain Club in Del Rio, Tennessee. There are more in the pipeline Middle America District, Lincolnland District, and Southwest Virginia District. This proves as a team we are up for the challenge and we will make a difference.

Our future and destiny are in our hands.....

Keep our Vision on our minds:

To Create Thriving Communities Across America Together as a team we will succeed.