

# MASON-DIXON



**Discoverys**

## **THE MASON-DIXON HERALD** **April 1 first 2016**

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### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Last month, I had a list of things to do to get your "D" ready for the road added to the newsletter and I hope you reviewed it. As most of you know, Alice and I live in an RV community. One of our neighbors came home from the winter season in Florida without his motorhome. Curiosity of course made it necessary for me to learn what happened to the motorhome and he told me that his refrigerator caught fire.

He said he had put off having a recall completed when he first got the notice then he forgot about it. He also admitted to me that he forgot to change the batteries on his smoke detectors.

The fire happened around 1:00 AM when his wife smelled something and woke him. He realized the smell was the refrigerator on fire. Fortunately for them the fire burned itself out before they lost their motorhome, or worse, their lives, but they still have several thousands of dollars of damage to their motorhome and it will be in a repair facility for a long time.

As we get older, we seem to procrastinate more because we are so "busy". I know for me lately I need to write things down so I don't forget to do them. A safety recall is for your safety. This incident had a fairly good ending, but it could have been a very tragic ending.

If you haven't had your recall done or if you are not sure if your refrigerator has a recall, go to the Norcold or Dometic web site and see if your refrigerator has a recall. If it does, PLEASE arrange to have it done ASAP.

Well, enough of my preaching.

The Mason Dixons will be holding their first rally of the year May 11-15, as you know. Check the schedule in this newsletter. Thanks to the Blackwell's and the Weinberg's for all their work.

We have scheduled a second rally for August 10 – 14 as we discussed at the SE region rally. This will be near Bob and Elizabeth Deal's home so that they can make it to the rally whether he drives or one of us drives their "D" for them. The rally info in this newsletter is preliminary except for the campground information. When calling, make certain you mention you are with the Mason-Dixons to get the rate and to be with our members. The camping fees are good for early arrival and late departure also. Make your reservations early as August is a busy month. Our sites will only be held until July 20.

Safe travels

## TREASURERS REPORT

MASON-DIXON CHAPTER/DOAI  
MONTHLY TREASUREER'S REPORT  
MARCH 31, 2016

Opening Balance March 01, 2016  
\$4533.22

### Deposits

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
03/25	New member-Needel-\$12; 2016 dues @\$12 for Brown, Fowlkes, Hundley & Sims=\$48; May rally fee for 1 guest-\$5	<u>\$65.00</u>
	Total Deposits	\$65.00

### Checks

None

Balance as of March 31, 2016  
\$4598.22

## SECRETARY REPORT – MEETING MINUTES

No meeting this month.

We are anxious to see everyone at our May rally at Americamp.

## **NEW MEMBERS**

*We are pleased to welcome new members Fred and Robyn Needel to our group and hope to see them at the May rally. Please add them to your roster. Fred; [emailrneedel@yahoo.com](mailto:emailrneedel@yahoo.com) . Cell phone 410-963-6081.*

## **PRAYER LIST**

Bob Deal  
Nick Ricciardi  
Members of our military and First Responders

Ron Kiebler, one of our founding members has recently been diagnosed with cancer. He is still in Fl. But will be returning in a few weeks for further testing and treatment. He and Alice will appreciate both your prayers and hearing from you. Further updates as we get them.

Felicia Baker, wife of past DOAI President John Baker, who is recovering from serious back surgery.

## **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

### **MAY**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

1 Maria Perez  
3 John Ricciardi  
14 Robert Fowlkes  
21 Stephen Thorner  
25 Victoria Weyforth Thorner  
25 Roger Mory

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

### **JUNE**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

2 Mary Anne Weinberg  
10 Pat Tracy  
15 Eileen Haden  
15 Bob Stewart  
16 Pat McBryar  
18 Larry Runge  
27 Julio Perez

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

15 Bob & Elizabeth Deal  
18 Dick & Pat Tracy  
17 Roger & Gloria Mory  
23 Larry & Mary Anne Weinberg

## **HUMOR**

A small boy says to his mother, "Daddy made me stand up to give a beautiful young lady a seat on the bus." His mother replies that Daddy was teaching him manners and it is very good manners for a young man to give his seat to a lady. The young boy replied, "But I was sitting on his lap"

## **UPCOMING RALLIES**

### **MASON-DIXON "SPRINGTIME IN VIRGINIA" RALLY**

WHERE: AMERICAMP RV RESORT  
11322 AIR PARK ROAD  
ASHLAND, VA 23005  
PHONE: 804-798-5298

ARRIVAL: WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2016  
DEPART: SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2016  
EARLY ARRIVAL: MONDAY, MAY 9 AND TUESDAY, MAY 10

COST: \$35.00 PER NIGHT

**PLEASE CALL THE CAMPGROUND DIRECTLY. TELL THEM YOU ARE WITH THE MASON-DIXON DISCOVERY RALLY WHEN MAKING YOUR RESERVATION.** AFTER MAKING YOU RESERVATION, PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF YOUR HOSTS LISTED BELOW TO LET THEM KNOW YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND.

THE CAMPGROUND IS CONVENIENTLY LOCATED JUST Off I-95 AT EXIT 89. THERE IS MUCH TO SEE AND DO IN THE AREA. IT IS NEAR THE HEART OF THE HISTORIC RICHMOND AREA. ATTRACTIONS, JUST TO NAME A FEW, INCLUDE CIVIL WAR BATTLEFIELDS, MUSEUMS, KINGS DOMINION THEME PARK, WINERIES AND BREWERIES, MEADOW FARM (BIRTHPLACE OF TRIPLE CROWN WINNER, SECRETARIAT) WHICH IS NOW ON THE NATIONAL REGISTRY OF HISTIORIC PLACES AND A VIRGINIA HISTORIC LANDMARK. ALSO, SCOTCHTOWN PLANTATION, HOME OF PATRICK HENRY IS LOCATED IN ASHLAND, VA. THERE IS SHOPPING, FLEA MARKETS, AND GREAT DINING IN THE AREA. WILLIAMSBURG IS JUST A LITTLE OVER AN HOUR AWAY.

WE ARE PLANNING A GOLF OUTING AND A GROUP TOUR OF SCOTCHTOWN PLANTATION, BREAKFAST EACH MORNING AT THE CAMPGROUND, AS WELL AS TWO EVENING MEALS. ALSO, WE WILL BE DINING OUT FOR TWO EVENINGS AT LOCAL RESTAURANTS.

**THERE IS NO RALLY FEE FOR MASON-DIXON MEMBERS. THERE WILL BE A FEE OF \$5.00 PER PERSON FOR NON-MEMBERS AND GUESTS. PLEASE MAIL APPLICABLE FEES DIRECTLY TO HELEN BLACKWELL, 4473 HOBBY HORSE CT, MECHANICSVILLE, VA 23111.**

LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING ALL OF YOU THERE.

YOUR CO-HOSTS,

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**“SPRINGTIME IN VIRGINIA”  
MASON-DIXON DISCOVERY RALLY**

May 11-15, 2016

Co-Hosts – Sonny and Helen Blackwell, Larry and Mary Anne Weinberg

**Wednesday, May 11**

**5:00 PM** Social hour. Please bring your own snacks and beverage.  
**6:00 PM** Welcome dinner provided by your hosts.  
Please bring your own beverage, plates, and utensils.

**Thursday, May 12**

**8:30-9:30 AM** Continental breakfast at the Rally Hall provided by your hosts.  
**Time TBA** Golf Outing.  
**10:30** Craft class.

Lunch will be on your own, with day to explore the area.

**Dinner** On your own.

**Friday, May 13**

**8:30-9:30 AM** Breakfast provided by the campground and your hosts.  
Please bring your own plates, utensils, and coffee mug.

Lunch will be on your own.

**1:00 PM**

Meet to caravan to **Scotchtown Plantation** for group tour.

**Cost is \$5.00 per person payable to your hosts.**

**6:00 PM**

Dinner at a local restaurant.

**Saturday, May 14**

**8:30-9:30 AM**

Breakfast provided by the campground and your hosts.

Please bring your own plates, utensils and coffee mug.

**9:30 AM – 5:00 PM**

Day on your own to visit and explore the area, as you wish.

**5:00 PM**

Chapter meeting at the Rally Hall.

**5:30 PM**

Social hour. Snacks to be provided by your hosts.

Please bring your own beverage.

**6:00 PM**

Dinner to be provided by your hosts. Please bring your own beverage, plates, and utensils.

**After Dinner**

**Door prizes to be awarded. Also, your hosts will raffle a basket filled with Virginia products to help offset the cost of the Rally.**

**Sunday, May 15**

**Departure. Happy trails, till we meet again!!**

**PLEASE NOTE: ALL SOCIAL HOURS, MEALS, AND CHAPTER MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE RALLY HALL.**

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## Mason Dixon August 2016 Rally

DATE: August 10 - 14 (Depart 8/14)

Location: Cross Country Campground  
6524 Highway 150  
Denver, NC  
704-483-5897

When calling for reservations tell them you are with the Mason-Dixon group

Fees: Campground Fees \$32.00 per night. This includes early arrivals and late departures  
Rally Fee \$0.00 for Mason Dixons members \$5.00 per person for non-members

The rally will include a welcome dinner, social hours daily, a “bring your own meat” dinner, and a lot of comradery. We will also plan to go out one night at a local restaurant. We will also have a continental breakfast at the host’s site

There is much to do in this area. The North Carolina Auto Racing Hall of Fame, Latta Plantation, golf, (a golf outing will be planned if there is enough interest), fishing and fishing excursions on Lake Norman, boating, and much fine dining.

Hosts: Hundley’s  
Ricciardi’s  
Zilinski’s