

# MASON-DIXON



## Discoverys

### **THE MASON-DIXON HERALD**

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#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

This will be my last report. I want to say, THANK YOU to all of you for the support you have given me these past four years. The work you have done is amazing. In these last four years, the Mason-Dixons were involved in five major rallies. Camp Discovery alone was an undertaking I would like to challenge any other Chapter to prepare in two years what the Mason-Dixons did in six months.

Our Chapter rallies were always a lot of fun for all who attended, and it is amazing how everyone just chips in to help without being asked. It was also great to see "D's" from all over our vast area attending these rallies.

Please give the same enthusiasm and support to our new President, Dick Tracy, and all the other recently elected officers, as you have given me.

Now, I must say that Alice and I can not attend the Southeast Region Rally at Lazy Days in January. Alice has a medical situation that is going to require her to have treatments for the next six months. This will be only the second time we will miss a Southeast Region Rally since we have joined DOAI. We are surely going to miss all of you.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve the BEST CHAPTER of any organization, not only the DOAI.

Have a Merry Christmas (or other holy observance) and a Happy New Year.

Safe travels,

John Ricciardi

## TREASURERS REPORT

The balance in the Mason-Dixon Account as of November 30, 2011 is \$5020.86

## MASON-DIXON CLOTHING

Dick Tracey has been getting in touch with our members telling them about the new Mason-Dixon Discoverys shirts. If you are interested, contact him directly, at 610-207-2016 or [dtracy@pdt.net](mailto:dtracy@pdt.net).

## NEW MEMBERS

I want to introduce and welcome our newest members, Tom and Kathy Crawford of Pennsylvania to the Mason-Dixons.

## PRAYER LIST

Butch Mauck  
Charles Smith  
Mabel Pritchard, Elizabeth Deal's mother  
Reuther Haden (Grandson of Eileen and Hank Haden)  
Marie Money  
Peggy Shuping  
Alice Ricciardi

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### DECEMBER

#### BIRTHDAYS

2 Ray Lippert  
3 Dick Smith  
4 Ray Nuzzolo  
14 Bob Deal  
18 Pat Runge  
27 Sonny Blackwell  
27 Marshall Godwin

#### ANNIVERSARIES

6 Jim and Jana Davis  
9 Richard & Marie Money  
11 Rick & Debbie Stremmel  
29 Hank & Eileen Haden

### JANUARY

#### BIRTHDAYS

7 Toni Calzone

#### ANNIVERSARIES

16 Salvatore & Merril Tese

8 Larry Weinberg  
22 Pete Grazier  
22 Glenda Angus

## HUMOR FOR THE MONTH

### Politically Correct Santa

'Twas the night before Christmas and Santa's a wreck...  
How to live in a world that's politically correct?

His workers no longer would answer to "Elves",  
"Vertically Challenged" they were calling themselves.

And labor conditions at the North Pole  
were alleged by the union to stifle the soul.

Four reindeer had vanished, without much propriety,  
Released to the wilds by the Humane Society.

And equal employment had made it quite clear  
That Santa had better not use just reindeer.

So Dancer and Donner, Comet and Cupid,  
Were replaced with 4 pigs, and you know that looked stupid!?

The runners had been removed from his sleigh;  
The ruts were termed dangerous by the E.P.A.

And people had started to call for the cops  
When they heard sled noises on their roof-tops.

Second-hand smoke from his pipe had his workers quite frightened.  
His fur trimmed red suit was called "Unenlightened."

And to show you the strangeness of life's ebbs and flows:  
Rudolf was suing over unauthorized use of his nose  
And had gone on Geraldo, in front of the nation,  
Demanding millions in over-due compensation.

So, half of the reindeer were gone; and his wife,  
Who suddenly said she'd enough of this life,  
Joined a self-help group, packed, and left in a whiz,  
Demanding from now on her title was Ms.

And as for the gifts, why, he'd ne'er had a notion

That making a choice could cause so much commotion.

Nothing of leather, nothing of fur,  
Which meant nothing for him. And nothing for her.

Nothing that might be construed to pollute.  
Nothing to aim. Nothing to shoot.  
Nothing that clamored or made lots of noise.  
Nothing for just girls. Or just for the boys.  
Nothing that claimed to be gender specific.  
Nothing that's warlike or non-pacific.  
No candy or sweets...they were bad for the tooth.  
Nothing that seemed to embellish a truth.

And fairy tales, while not yet forbidden,  
Were like Ken and Barbie, better off hidden.

For they raised the hackles of those psychological  
Who claimed the only good gift was one ecological.

No baseball, no football...someone could get hurt;  
Besides, playing sports exposed kids to dirt.

Dolls were said to be sexist, and should be passé;  
And Nintendo would rot your entire brain away.

So Santa just stood there, disheveled, perplexed;  
He just could not figure out what to do next.

He tried to be merry, tried to be gay,  
But you've got to be careful with that word today.

His sack was quite empty, limp to the ground;  
Nothing fully acceptable was to be found.

Something special was needed, a gift that he might  
Give to all without angering the left or the right.

A gift that would satisfy, with no indecision,  
Each group of people, every religion;  
Every ethnicity, every hue,  
Everyone, everywhere...even you.

So here is that gift, its price beyond worth...

"May you and your loved ones enjoy peace on earth."

## **UPCOMING RALLIES**

DOAI Southeast Region Rally  
Lazy Days Campground  
Seffner, FL

January 29 – February 3