



## **THE MASON-DIXON HERALD**

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### **PRESIDENTS REPORT**

As most of you know, Alice Ricciardi assumed the office of Treasurer almost two years ago, during the illness of the late Arlene Richie. She has finally gotten the names on the Mason-Dixon Discovery bank account straightened out with Wachovia Bank. Now she can legally write checks for us.

I would like to thank the hosts for our recent rally at Bethpage Campground in Urbana, VA, Helen and Sonny Blackwell and Mary Anne and Larry Weinberg, Particularly Helen and Mary Anne. They volunteered to co-host the rally with our Wagon Master, Bob Deal and his wife Elizabeth. Elizabeth's mother had some serious health problems and the Deal's had to cancel out at the last minute. The Blackwell's and Weinberg's had to do it by themselves, and they pulled everything together and all who attended had a great time. (More on the rally later in the newsletter.) Thank you again, GREAT JOB.

I would also like to thank Toni Calzone for all the hard work she has done in getting us a place to hold our October Rally (10/10 – 10/13) in the area of Gettysburg, PA. Toni volunteered to co-host this rally with the Deals and contacted numerous campgrounds in the area but due to this being Columbus Day weekend, college football season, the autumn colors, and people staying close to home, it was difficult. Toni has negotiated special arrangements with the Frederick County Fairground in Maryland, just about 30 minutes from Gettysburg, for us to get together. A Rally registration form is at the end of this newsletter and on the DOAI website under the Mason-Dixons section.

Continuing with Rally information, I contacted the Elkhart 4H Fairground in Goshen, IN, about us meeting there before we enter into the DOAI National

Rally, and was advised we could gather in the parking lot across from gates 5 and 6 so we can enter together. Let me know if 1 PM on Sunday is a good time to meet or not so that we can enter together.

Many of the DOAI chapters have shirts and/or hats with their logo on it. Please let me know if you are interested in this type of clothing and I will look into pricing these items.

### ***BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES***

#### July Birthdays

Dick Tracy	7/6
Helen Blackwell	7/13
Darleen Torbert	7/13
Jack Torbert	7/15

#### July Anniversaries

Lee and Julie Barefoot	7/3
Tony and Heide Bohn	7/11
Willy and Elly Hall	7/18
Marshall and Becky Godwin	7/29

**Special congratulations to the Lee and Julie Barefoot on their 53<sup>rd</sup> anniversary.**

#### August Birthdays

Glen Camp	8/1
Winston Walters	8/10
Peggy Shuping	8/20
Julie Barefoot	8/22
Paul Hart	8/28

#### August Anniversaries

Dennis and Kristy Green	8/10
Arlie and Barbara Graybeal	8/15
Paul and Cecily Hart	8/25

### ***PRAYER LIST***

Please keep our friends and family members in you prayers

Sonny Blackwell  
Dick Smith  
Marie Money  
Elizabeth Deal's mother Mable Pritchard

### ***RALLY REPORT***

Mason Dixon Discoverys Rally in Urbanna VA.

July 9<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> was our latest rally in Urbanna VA at the Bethpage Campground. Our wagon master Bob Deal and his wife Elizabeth had to cancel at the last

minute due to family illness. We really missed them. Helen Blackwell and Mary Anne Weinberg co-hosted the rally in their absence

Eight coaches attended the rally including one SOB. Attendees included Julie and Lee Barefoot, Helen and Sonny Blackwell, Sherman and Darlene Davis with their granddaughter Mia (SOB), Deborah and Bob Fowlkes with their children...Alison, Ashton, Auburn and Anakin, Becky and Marshall Godwin, Alice and Ron Keibler, Peggy and Rex Shuping with two of their granddaughters Rachel and Nicole.

It was a wonderful relaxing and enjoyable rally. Thursday night dinner was prepared by the co-hosts at our campsites. The area was left set up for a pot luck dinner Friday evening and a light farewell breakfast on Sunday. Saturday evening we went to Olivia's Restaurant in Urbanna, had a great dinner and celebrated Helen's birthday a day early. Happy Birthday again Helen!! Evenings were spent around a camp fire

Other activities included two computer/ technical meetings...Marshall Godwin's ongoing effort to bring us all into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. There was a mini golf outing at Piankatank River Golf Course. Sonny Blackwell and Larry Weinberg had a great time and said that it was a beautiful course and of course they played beautifully as well. The latter is up for interpretation. We all attended the Urbanna Farmer's Market on Saturday. The children and some of the adults also made full use of the many recreational facilities at the Bethpage campground. It is a beautiful facility and is a great place to hold a rally.

On a more serious note; Sonny Blackwell is having surgery in about two weeks. Please keep him and Helen in your prayers.



Bethpage Campground Rally Attendees

## ***UPCOMING RALLYS***

### September 8-13, 2008 DOAI National Rally

Location: Elkhart County 4H Fairground Goshen, IN.  
Check the DOAI website for details.

### October 8-13, 2008

Location: The Great Frederick Fairgrounds, 797 East Patrick Street,  
Frederick, MD  
A registration form is attached

October Rally Info and Registration Form  
October 10-13  
The Great Frederick Fairgrounds  
797 East Patrick Street  
Frederick, MD

Hosts: Bob and Elizabeth Deal, Co-hosts: Toni Calzone, John and Alice Ricciardi

The nightly rates are:

Full Hook-ups (30 amp)	Thursday and Friday	\$35.00
	Saturday and Sunday	\$50.00
Electric only (30 amp)		\$25.00
Dry Camp (Generator use ok)		\$20.00

Water and Dump Station are available.

Restrooms will be available near our sites.

Please make your reservations with Toni Calzone by September 4, either by mailing the registration form to her or by going to the DOAI website at <http://www.discoveryowners.com/masondixonrally.htm>

Early arrival on Thursday is available

SOB'S AND GUESTS ARE WELCOME Guests may also register at the DOAI website.

Friday evening meal and coffee provided by the hosts, bring your own utensils and beverage

Saturday or Sunday Dinner at a restaurant to be determined

Saturday or Sunday Pot Luck Dinner

Monday morning coffee, juice and donuts provided by hosts bring your utensils and cups

The Great Frederick Fair Grounds is located 5 minutes from Downtown Frederick, MD with its restaurants, art galleries, etc. and Monocacy Battlefield, 10 to 15 minutes from Emmitsburg and Thurmont, MD, and 30 – 40 minutes from Gettysburg, PA, Harpers Ferry, WVA, Brunswick, MD C & O Canal and Train Museum, and Antietam National Battlefield.

If necessary, (and we hope not) local mechanical and tire service within one mile of the Fairgrounds with on site work available

Directions to Great Frederick Fair Grounds:

Directions to the fairgrounds will be in next month's newsletter and on the website shortly.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Detach and Return** \_\_\_\_\_

**October 10 – 13 2008 Rally Registration Form**

Make your reservations with Toni Calzone either by mail or DOAI website <http://www.discoveryowners.com/masondixonrally.htm> before September 1, 2008

Complete the following information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number in coach \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated arrival date and time \_\_\_\_\_

Guest \_\_\_\_\_ Mason-Dixon Discovery Member \_\_\_\_\_

Full Hook-up \_\_\_\_\_ Electric Only \_\_\_\_\_ Generator \_\_\_\_\_

No deposit is necessary but **cash or personal check made payable to Mason-Dixon Discoverys** is to be made to Toni Calzone upon arrival. **NO CREDIT CARDS** (One check from the Mason-Dixon Discoverys treasury will be given to the Fair Grounds)

Mail this form to Toni Calzone, 118 Monroe St. #404, Rockville, MD 20850