

# MASON-DIXON



Discoverys

## THE MASON-DIXON HERALD

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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Wow, did this month go fast. Alice and I have been very busy, between the Mason-Dixon Rally in Lancaster, PA, which was great, and a family reunion in New Hampshire, and family concerns, It just flew by.

The rally in Lancaster was just fabulous. We had 11 member coaches and a guest attend the rally. (More, later in this newsletter). The co-hosts, the Blackwell's and Zilinski's did a great job. Thank you. The campground meals were delicious and the food was plentiful. The buffet dinner had everyone eating too much, but no one complained. The matinee, "Joseph" at the Sight and Sound Theater was enjoyed by all who attended. We played games and the ladies made beautiful scarves.

Again, **THANK YOU** to our co-hosts.

We are now preparing to go to the DOAI National Rally in Amana, IA, and trying to meet with other Mason-Dixon members so we can go in to the Amana Colonies Campground together. By the looks of the agenda, this is going to be a great rally.

### TREASURERS REPORT

Opening Balance August 01, 2015

\$4351.78

Deposits

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>		
08/11	Lancaster Rally=Rally fees (SOBs)-\$20; Proceeds from Rally Raffle-\$72		<u>\$ 92.00</u>
		Total Receipts	\$ 92.00

Checks

<u>Date</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>To Whom</u>	
08/15	240	Linda Zilinski-Lancaster- Rally Expenses	\$ 25.01
08/10	241	Murray Blackwell-Lancaster Rally Expenses	<u>156.55</u>
		Total Checks	\$181.56

Balance as of August 31, 2015 \$4262.22

**SOUTHEAST VICE-PRESIDENT REPORT**

As you know, Bob is still in rehab for the surgery and stroke he suffered. Elizabeth Deal has provided us with a report for Bob. He is improving.

Today, (9/1/15) Elizabeth told me that Bob walked 200 feet with a walker and minimal help from the therapist and ended his PT by climbing 2 steps with the help from the therapist. His speech is improving and he is speaking more clearly.

Elizabeth also wants to thank everyone for their prayers. She knows the prayers have been a big factor in his recovery

**PRAYER LIST**

Bob Deal  
Lee Barefoot  
My brother, Nick Ricciardi

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

**SEPTEMBER**

**BIRTHDAYS**

**ANNIVERSARIES**

		2	Pat & Sue Stanton
		12	Glenn & Gail Camp
11	Elizabeth Deal	15	Larry & Barbara Renegar

14 George Beier  
21 Livette Simms  
23 Ronald Keibler  
28 Pat Beier

15 Jack & Darlene Torbert

## OCTOBER

### **BIRTHDAYS**

1 Jim Brown  
5 Debbie Fowlkes  
6 Richard Money  
18 Thomas Hundley  
23 Martha Hundley  
26 Robert Angus

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

6 John & Alice Ricciardi  
19 Larry & Pat Runge

### **UPCOMING RALLIES**

DOAI National Rally

Sept. 21 -26 2015

### **HUMOR**

This month's humor was given to us by our new member Jack Simms.

My wife and I planned a trip from Memphis, TN to Branson, MO for Father's Day weekend. During my route planning there were 3 different routes to take according to Google Maps, and we weren't partial to either, as there wasn't much difference in drive time between the routes. My wife lights up for beautiful sceneries (green trees, water falls, lakes, etc. - you know nature stuff). I hit the RV forums and ask other experienced RV'ers for the best scenic route. The responses were just what I asked for - northern route US40 > US55 > US63 > US401.

We commenced to hitting the open road US40 > US55 > US63. It was the scenic route we asked for, plus some old rustic barns, houses, and <500 population cities/towns. We crossed Mammoth Springs, AK which had a beautiful Dam that can be seen (very close) from US63. After a nice ride, we decided to boondock in White Plains, MO at the US63 / US160 junction.

The next day, here we go, the US160. This was a roller coaster ride, the closer we got to Branson, the more tight turns, steep hills (up and down), cliffs, falling rock, no guard rails, etc. This ride really gave me some Class "A" engine, transmission, and brake management experience. Here is where the trip gets interesting. My wife is now on the

edge of her seat, "CALLING ON A HIGHER POWER". For the next 2 hours I heard "Jesus", "Oh Lord", "God please let us arrive safe", "you are going too fast" - 35 was not too fast, "you are too close to the side of the road" - was an illusion, etc. etc. I suggested to my wife, to get in the bedroom and take a nap. Her reply "heck no, I want to make sure we arrive safe" - wait I thought I was driving. What she really means is she wants to control me driving to ensure she has a say. She called on "Jesus" so much, I truly believe he was with us the whole ride - Thank You.

Once we arrived at our RV Resort, my wife got out of the RV and said "Thank You Jesus" and then asked me do we have to take the same route back home. I was literally crying in laughter and replied "no my love, I wouldn't put you through that again, we will take the highway". She then said "good, no more so called scenic routes mister".

I believe we have permanent grip marks on the RV handrail from her holding on so tight.

### **LANCASTER RALLY**

The Lancaster Rally was attended by; Helen and Sonny Blackwell, Gail and Glen Camp, Martha and Tom Hundley, Alice and Ron Kiebler, Jean and Rich Money, Gloria and Roger Mory, Debra and Jerry Pruyne, Alice and John Ricciardi, Linette and Jack Sims, Darlene and Jack Torbert, and Linda and Lou Zilinski. Also attending the rally but not in the photograph are guests Heidi and Tony Bohn and their grand-daughter and great-grand-daughter



Our hosts provided us with door prizes and a raffle for a lovely basket filled with goodies. When the ladies were busy making their beautiful scarves, they also made one for Elizabeth Deal who thanked all of them for remembering her. While the ladies were making their scarves, some of the men enjoyed a round of golf at a local course.