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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi everyone,

My apologies for not producing an April Newsletter but I got carried away trying to develop a Chapter Photo Directory. I just felt that since most of us only get together a few times a year it would be of value to have such a directory. Fortunately I did have some success in doing that and **each of you will soon receive an email containing that directory as an attachment.** I won't print it out and snail mail them, but you certainly may print a copy for your use or just save the file and use it for reference as you need it. I will send it out in both Word and PDF file formats.

Now you will have a way of putting faces with the names or names with the faces of your fellow Mason Dixon. Now that it is created the next job is to keep it updated with any changes in our chapter membership! Hopefully it will continue to grow along with DOAI.

Rally Report:

Our first Mason-Dixon rally for 2013 is now history. We had 5 coaches attending; Deals, Hundleys, Torberts, Ricciardis, and Browns. Everyone enjoyed themselves visiting the local sites, playing games and, of course, eating too much. Wednesday evening was our welcome dinner, with burgers and all the trimmings. We had one pot-luck dinner and a "bring your own meat" dinner, grilled outside the activity building where we had our meals, games, etc. We had one dinner at a local seafood restaurant that everyone enjoyed. The campground where our rally was held is named "Tuck in The Wood", and it is. It looks a little primitive, but it has all the modern conveniences that we enjoy and is near some nice sights.

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Here's some photos from the May rally.



With the ladies in front of their spouses pictured above L to R are Deals, Hundleys, Torberts, Ricciardis, and Browns



June Rally Info

We have 11 coaches already signed up for the June rally as of April 30th!

In the event you are not one of those already registered here is the June Rally info: You should have already received an email from our great Rally Master, Bob Deal on April 18th that describes our upcoming **June 2013 Chapter Rally at River Bend Campground, in Pigeon Forge, TN.** The rally is **scheduled for June 19, through the 23rd, with early arrival on June 18th.** It's being hosted by Alice and John Ricciardi who are working hard to make this a fun rally for all

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The **RIVERBEND CAMPGROUND** address is, 2479 Riverbend Loop, Pigeon Forge, TN 37863. Their telephone number is 865-453-1224. The discounted site fee is \$32.00 plus tax per night for a full hook-up 50 Amp site. We have six(6) sites on the river, 34 – 39 (two sites, 34 and 35, have already been reserved) and sites 96 – 101. You Must call the campground and make your reservations and tell them you are with the Mason-Dixon Discoverys and request a site number. Payment at check-in is either cash, check, or debit card. NO CREDIT CARDS.

The Ricciardis have also arranged for a dinner show at the **SMITH FAMILY THEATER** on Thursday. The cost for this buffet dinner and show is \$22.50 per person. This price includes taxes. **This is one half the regular price. Please send your dinner show fee (\$22.50 per person) to Alice Ricciardi, 477 The Gardens Dr., Crossville, TN 38555.**

Subsequent Rally

The Browns are working on an **August or September Rally** and they hope to finalize it soon so we can all work the dates into our calendars.

As always, if I can be of assistance to anyone in the chapter please let me know.

Dick

TREASURERS REPORT

The balance in the Mason-Dixon Account as of the end of April is \$4,611.15

DUES: Some folks have not yet paid their annual Chapter Dues. If you have not paid your dues please send them to Helen Blackwell our chapter Treasurer at 4473 Hobby Horse Court, Mechanicsville, VA 23111. If you are not sure that you have paid your dues Helen's phone and email are in the heading of this newsletter. Dues are \$12 a year.

DOAI RELATED INFORMATION –

With the National Rally in our own area I expect that we will have a very high percentage of Mason Dixons participating. Please check the DOAI Web Site www.discoveryowners.com where you can find info on the DOAI National Rally in Urbanna, VA in October. Registration information may be found at http://discoveryowners.com/aspx_pages/public/rallies/Registration.aspx

MASON-DIXON CLOTHING –

I have placed the order for the additional Blue Mason Dixon shirts for Sue Murphy, Zane Murphy, Pat Tracy, Larry Runge, Diane & Dave Jorio, John & Alice Ricciardi. They should be delivered to me at our home in PA in Mid May. **I plan to bring these shirts to the June Rally in Pigeon Forge.** If you will **not** be there please let me know and we can arrange to get them to you some other way.

PRAYER LIST –

Elizabeth Deal's mother, Mabel Pritchard, who remains in a nursing home.

Lee Barefoot, who is undergoing speech therapy and having difficulty remember Julie has asked that I extend her thank you to all of those who have placed Lee in your prayer concerns and also wants to say "Hi" to all from both of them.

Since I missed issuing an April newsletter here are the April Birthdays and Anniversaries as well as those for May.

April

BIRTHDAYS

14 Charles Smith
19 Alice Kiebler
26 Angelo Pedro
27 Kathy Crawford
28 Pam Gordon

ANNIVERSARIES

6 George & Pat Beier
9 Dick & Ellyn Reynolds
27 Jim & Marilyn Brown

May

BIRTHDAYS

3 John Ricciardi
5 Cliff Gordon
13 Deborah Slate
14 Robert Fowlkes

ANNIVERSARIES

28 Ray & Barbara Lippert

HUMOR FOR THE MONTH -

A judge was interviewing a woman regarding her pending divorce, and asked, "What are the grounds for your divorce?"

She replied, "About four acres and a nice little home in the middle of the property with a stream running by."

"No," he said, "I mean what is the foundation of this case?"

"It is made of concrete, brick and mortar," she responded.

"I mean," he continued, "What are your relations like?"

"I have an aunt and uncle living here in town, and so do my husband's parents."

He said, "Do you have a real grudge?"

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"No," she replied, "We have a two-car carport and have never really needed one."

"Please," he tried again, "is there any infidelity in your marriage?"

"Yes, both my son and daughter have stereo sets. We don't necessarily like the music, but the answer to your questions is yes."

"Ma'am, does your husband ever beat you up?"

"Yes," she responded, "about twice a week he gets up earlier than I do."

Finally, in frustration, the judge asked, "Lady, why do you want a divorce?"

"Oh, I don't want a divorce," she replied. "I've never wanted a divorce. My husband does. He said he can't communicate with me!!