

# MASON-DIXON



## Discoverys

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

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### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Well, now that it's time to start traveling again, it's also time to think about maintenance for our "D". We recently had ours serviced at the Freightliner factory at Gaffney, SC. They do a great job and check everything, and I mean everything. What a difference in performance and ride when I drove away from the factory. They took two days to complete the work, but it was worth it. I was allowed to stay in their "campground" overnight. There are 50 amp service sites right behind the shop. The amazing part is the factory hourly rate is lower than most other shops and if you are a member of the Freightliner Chassis Owners Club you get an additional 5% off the entire bill.

An important part of our maintenance is the tires which often get overlooked. RV tires rarely wear out the tread. The sidewalls just wear out. Be sure to maintain proper air pressure in your tires and check the sidewalls for cracks and wear. No matter what the tires look like, replace them after 7 years. The possibility of a blowout after this age is very high. In fact, a blowout is possible at any time if the tire is overloaded or underinflated. Have the coach weighed and determine the proper tire pressure.

Another often overlooked item is the running lights. Many of them leak after a few years due to the gasket drying out. They are not hard to check and possibly add a little caulk if necessary.

Something else to consider is maintenance on the hitch for the towed vehicle. Make certain the bolts on the hitch are tight and the hitch lubricated. Check your owner's manual for what should be done.

Lastly, I recently saw an RV going down the highway with a sign on the towed vehicle that said, "If you see a problem, call ..." and there was a phone number to call. If you monitor a certain CB channel, you could put that channel in the place of your cellular telephone number. May not be a bad idea to do something like that so someone could let you know if you have a problem.

Safe travels

## **TREASURERS REPORT**

As of May 29, 2009 we have \$3,434.47 in the Mason-Dixon Discoverys account.

## **FLEETWOOD INFORMATION**

I received information on the Fleetwood status and have attached the letter to the end of the newsletter

## **MASON-DIXON CLOTHING**

The hats, shirts and sweatshirts look great. Toni Calzone has everything. If you want something, you can contact Toni at [antonia.calzone@verizon.net](mailto:antonia.calzone@verizon.net) and arrange to get it, but remember to send your payment to our Treasurer, Alice Ricciardi.

## **DISCOVERY FOR SALE**

Unfortunately, health reasons are forcing Frank and Diane Gerlach to sell their beautiful 2008 40X Discovery. If you are interested or know someone who might be interested, please contact Frank.

Please keep Frank and Diane in your prayers.

2008 Discovery 40X, 41 feet long, 3 slides, 8,300 miles, 350 HP Cummins Diesel, 8K diesel generator, 3 flat-screen HD TVs, Surround sound, Outdoor entertainment center, Satellite, Sirius, Oven, Central vacuum, Washer/Dryer, Select Comfort Queen Bed, 4-door Refrigerator, Side and rear cameras, All owners manuals, Good Sam Warranty, Just serviced, Garaged, Non-smokers, Full tank of fuel. \$160,000, Pennsylvania, Phone: 814/490-3334, E-mail: [fishales06@yahoo.com](mailto:fishales06@yahoo.com), selling due to illness, (VIN 65013).



## **PRAYER LIST**

Diane Gerlach  
Julie Barefoot  
Butch Mauck

Charles Smith  
Lee Barefoot

## **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

### **JUNE**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

2 Mary Anne Weinberg  
6 Heide Bohn  
6 Kristy Green  
10 Pat Tracy  
12 Leon Fleming  
12 HB Haynes  
12 Alice Pizzano  
14 Hank Haden  
15 Eileen Haden  
15 Pat McAdams  
30 Lee Grazier

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

4 Pete & Alice Pizzano  
15 Bob & Elizabeth Dole  
18 Dick & Pat Tracy

### **JULY**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

6 Dick Tracy  
11 John Baker  
13 Helen Blackwell

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

3 Lee & Julie Barefoot  
11 Tony & Heide Bohn  
18 Willy & Elly Hall  
18 Hugh & Pat McAdams  
29 Marshall & Becky Godwin

## **CHUCKLES FOR THE MONTH**

### **A LITTLE SOUTHERN HUMOR**

#### **Cowboy Boots**

Did you hear about the Texas teacher who helped one of her kindergarten students put on his cowboy boots? He asked for help and she could see why.

Even with her pulling and he pushing, the boots still didn't want to go on. Finally, the second boot was on, she had worked up a sweat.

She almost cried when the little boy said, "Teacher, they're on the wrong feet." She looked and sure enough, they were. It wasn't any easier pulling the boots off then it was to get them on. She managed to keep her cool as together they worked to get the boots back on, this time on the right feet. The boy then announced, "These aren't my boots."

She bit her tongue rather than get right in his face and scream, "Why didn't you say so?" like she wanted to. Once again she struggled to help him pull the ill fitting boots off his little feet.

No sooner they got the boots off and he said, "They're my brother's boots. My mom made me wear them."

Now, she didn't know if she should laugh or cry. But she mustered up the grace and courage she had left to wrestle the boots on his feet again.

Helping him into his coat, she asked, "Now where are your mittens?"

He said, "I stuffed them in the toes of my boots."

Her trial starts next month.

### Four Letter Surgery

A man is recovering from day surgery when a nurse asks him how he was feeling.

He said, "I'm OK but I didn't like the four letter word the doctor used in surgery."

"What did he say?" asked the nurse.

"OOPS!"

## **UPCOMING RALLIES**

### July

Open month; if anyone would like to host a rally please contact either John Ricciardi (252-619-6485 or [JONAL135@YAHOO.COM](mailto:JONAL135@YAHOO.COM)) or Bob Deal (704-6820345 or [bobdeal@bellsouth.net](mailto:bobdeal@bellsouth.net)).

## August

Bill and Marti Katterhenry are hosting a rally at Caney Creek RV Resort, Harriman, TN. (about 20 miles west of Knoxville). This is a beautiful water front RV resort with activities for the whole family. **Rally dates are August 5, 2009 arrival, to August 9 departure.** A registration form and activities questionnaire will be sent in a separate email later. We have invited the Blue Ridge Discoverys and the Florida Discovery Rolling Gators to join us.

## September

National Rally September 18 – 24 Colorado State Fairgrounds, Pueblo, Colorado

## October

Larry and Mary Anne Weinberg and Marshall and Becky Godwin will host a fall rally in the Jamestown / Williamsburg, VA area. This is planned for the last week in October.

Look on the Mason-Dixon chapter section of the DOAI website for updated rally information. The website will be updated as information becomes available.

Dick and Sue Smith will host a late summer rally at Grandfather Campground, near Boone, NC. The High Country area of North Carolina is a stunning part of the Southeast. There are many outdoor activities in this area.

## **August 2009 Mason-Dixon Discoverys Rally**

Hosts: Bill and Marti Katterhenry and Bob and Elizabeth Deal

Location: Caney Creek RV Resort, Harriman, TN  
Dates: Arrive August 5 after 2:00 PM  
Depart August 9 by 12:00 Noon  
Rates: Campground fees are \$139.50 for the four nights. Special rates are offered for early arrival and late departure if space is available  
Reservation/Registration will be made directly with Caney Creek Resort (865-882-4042) and must be paid in full by July 5, 2009.  
The campground cancellation policy is 30 days or more, full return less \$10.00 admin fee, 14-29 days one half of the fee less \$10.00 admin fee, less than 14 days no refund.

Rally fee is \$5.00 per person to be paid to Bill and Marti Katterhenry 111 Hiwassee Lane, Loudon, TN 37774 by July 5, 2009. No return of Rally fee.

Schedule: The schedule will be very flexible due to the many things to do in this area of Tennessee, so everyone can have a good time.

Wednesday Supper: Provided by the hosts, hotdogs and chips bring your favorite beverage and utensils. Coffee will be provided

Thursday Breakfast: Coffee and juice will be provided, attendees to bring either fruit or bread/bakery item to share. Bring your utensils

Friday Breakfast: Coffee and juice will be provided, attendees to bring either fruit or bread/bakery item to share. Bring your utensils

Saturday Breakfast: Coffee and juice will be provided, attendees to bring either fruit or bread/bakery item to share. Bring your utensils

Sunday Breakfast: Coffee, juice and continental breakfast will be supplied by hosts. Bring your utensils

The location of the breakfasts and dinner will be determined by the hosts

One item being considered is an early dinner at the Cumberland Mountain State Park Restaurant and a play at the Cumberland County Playhouse. This could be either Friday or Saturday night. Friday's dinner menu at the state park restaurant is catfish/Roast beef/ Ham buffet (\$9.95) Saturday is smoked Ribs/Smoked BBQ Pork/Roast beef buffet (13.95)

The Cumberland County Playhouse offers Broadway plays starring local actors and depending on the play the prices range from \$19.00 to \$23.00 and they offer a discount for 15 or more people. Great Entertainment

Reservations would be needed for this type of entertainment so please contact Bill and Marti Katterhenry if this is something you would like to do.

The campground also offers entertainment on both Friday and Saturday nights.

Another possibility is for a group dinner at the Whitestone Inn, a local restaurant and bed and breakfast. Their dinners range in price from \$17.95 to \$27.95

The hosts are planning activities to keep us together as well as giving us free time to see the sites and to enjoy this beautiful campground.

Please contact Bill and Marti Katterhenry or Bob and Elizabeth Deal for reservations for the dinners and the play

### Contacts

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Caney Creek RV Resort and Campground  
3615 Roane State HWY  
Harriman, TN 37748  
[www.caneycreekrvresort.com](http://www.caneycreekrvresort.com)  
865-882-4042

Cumberland County Playhouse  
Crossville, TN  
[www.ccplayhouse.com](http://www.ccplayhouse.com)

Cumberland Mountain State Park  
Crossville, TN  
[www.tennessee.gov/parks/cumberlandmtn/](http://www.tennessee.gov/parks/cumberlandmtn/)

Whitestone Inn  
Harriman, TN  
[www.whitestoneinn.com](http://www.whitestoneinn.com)

### Directions:

From I40 westbound, exit 350 and turn left at bottom of ramp approximately .2 miles and turn right onto 70 (west) for approximately 2.5 miles when you see the ROANE STATE COLLEGE sign on the right, turn left approximately 100 feet after the sign (you will see the sign for Caney Creek RV Park)

From I40 east bound stay right at base of exit and follow the above directions.





2009 National Rally  
**DISCOVERYS IN THE ROCKIES**  
 Arrive September 18 – Depart September 24, 2009  
 Colorado State Fairgrounds, Pueblo, Colorado

**REGISTRATION FORM**

*Please PRINT legibly or TYPE all information as you want it to appear on your name badge*

Pilot's Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Co-Pilot's Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, ZIP+4 Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone/s \_\_\_\_\_  
 DOAI # \_\_\_\_\_ DOAI Region Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_  
 Need handicap parking? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ First National Rally? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are You? DOAI Officer/Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Officer \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
 Guest/s Name, City, State \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION:**

\$295.00 per coach with two adults (September 18 to 23) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$240.00 per coach with one adult (September 18 to 23) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$55.00 each additional person/child (September 18 to 23) × \_\_ person/s = ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$15.00 early arrival Thursday, September 17 ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$20.00 DOAI membership (if not already a DOAI member) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**OPTIONAL TOURS AND GOLF:**

**Tour 1:** Sat., Sept. 19 - U.S. Air Force Academy/Pikes Peak Cog Railway .. \$77.00 × \_\_ person/s = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Tour 2:** Sun., Sept. 20 - Seven Falls/Garden of the Gods/Cliff Dwellings . . . \$67.00 × \_\_ person/s = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
**Golf Tournament:** Sun., Sept. 20 - Elmwood Golf Course . . . . . \$52.00 × \_\_ person/s = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*NOTE: Include golf registration form with this form if you are going to participate in tournament. See form on next page.*

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:** *Discovery Owners Assn., Inc.*    **Check Enclosed/Total** . . . . . \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIL CHECK AND REGISTRATION FORM TO:**

Jan Kovach, Registrar, 2612 Lightning Way, Colorado Springs, CO 80920-1412  
 Questions? Contact Jan at 719.440.4699 or [jkkovach@aol.com](mailto:jkkovach@aol.com)

**REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY AUGUST 25, 2009**

Full refund cancellation may be made up to August 25, 2009– **AFTER AUGUST 25 – NO REFUND**

**→ → → COPY FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS ← ← ←**

You will receive a confirmation of your registration via email

## Four Person Scramble

Name \_\_\_\_\_ M\_\_\_\_\_ F\_\_\_\_\_

Normal/average score for 9 \_\_\_\_\_ or 18 \_\_\_\_\_ holes on a normal course **OR**

Your HDCP for 9 \_\_\_\_\_ or 18 \_\_\_\_\_ holes

Team No. (TBD) \_\_\_\_\_



Fill out this form if you plan to participate in the golf tournament. Submit it along with your rally registration form and check. Thank you!



June 02, 2009

Dear Valued Fleetwood Owners:

Recent headlines about Fleetwood and, more specifically, Fleetwood RV, may have left some of you wondering about the future. This being said, I am pleased to announce that last Friday, May 29, we signed an asset purchase agreement to sell our motor home business to American Industrial Partners (AIP).

AIP is a leading middle market private equity firm which owns several industrial businesses in the U.S. They are very excited about our RV business and believe in the future of the industry.

The agreement with AIP is subject to some closing conditions, and is also subject to an auction process, if other bidders emerge, which would then be held in advance of final Court approval of the deal.. Included with this letter is a copy of today's company news release, which includes more specific information about AIP's offer and the bidding process. For the latest information about Fleetwood's reorganization process, please visit: [www.kcellc.net/fleetwood](http://www.kcellc.net/fleetwood).

In regards to warranty work that you may need completed on your motor home, Fleetwood is still honoring approved warranty work in the normal course of business.

Thank you for the ongoing support you have expressed over the past few months. I realize that Fleetwood's reorganization causes some concern, but we remain optimistic that we will emerge from this process a stronger, healthier company that will continue to manufacture the high-quality recreational vehicles you have trusted for 60 years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Eskritt', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Paul Eskritt  
President - RV Group  
Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.



Contact: Rivian Bell or Sydney Rosencranz  
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Fleetwood Enterprises Signs Asset Purchase Agreement for Motor Home Assets;  
Receives Approval of Sales Procedures**

**Riverside, Calif. – June 2, 2009** – Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc. (FLTWQ.OB), a leading producer of recreational vehicles and manufactured homes, today reported that it has signed an asset purchase agreement to sell its motor home business to American Industrial Partners Capital Fund IV, L.P. (AIP) of New York. AIP is a middle market private equity firm which makes control investments in leading North American-based industrial businesses. Last week, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court approved sales procedures for an auction to explore whether any higher or more qualified bids could be obtained.

AIP's \$53 million bid is subject to reduction for the assumption of certain liabilities not to exceed \$18 million, including warranty obligations on Fleetwood motorized products. The price is also subject to an adjustment for the amount of current assets purchased at the time the transaction closes.

Under the bidding procedures, any competing bidders must submit qualifying bids by June 18, 2009, and if the company receives qualifying bids, the Court will hold an auction on June 22, 2009. The Court hearing to finalize the sale is tentatively scheduled for June 24, 2009.

The offer from AIP includes two motor home manufacturing facilities, two motor home service facilities, and Fleetwood's Gold Shield supply subsidiary, all located in Decatur, Ind.. It also includes intellectual property for Fleetwood's existing motor home brands, certain machinery and equipment, but does not include the company's motor home manufacturing facilities in Riverside, Calif. and Paxinos, Pa., or its travel trailer plants, brands, and intellectual property.

"We are pleased to have signed an agreement to sell our motor home operation. AIP is a very capable and qualified organization," said Elden L. Smith, Fleetwood's president and chief executive officer. "Since the sale process under Chapter 11 enables other bidders to come forward, we cannot say for certain what the outcome will be. We do expect, however, that the final purchaser will seek to take advantage of the Fleetwood name and legacy, as well as endeavor to preserve as many jobs as possible."

Fleetwood is also pursuing buyers for its manufactured housing business.

Management believes that it continues to have adequate cash to fund operations until its businesses are sold.

Greenhill & Co. is serving as Fleetwood's investment banker. Interested parties should contact the Seller, Greenhill & Co., LLC ("Greenhill"), 300 Park Avenue, 22nd Floor, New York, New York 10022 (Attn: David E. Burns) [dburns@greenhill.com](mailto:dburns@greenhill.com); and counsel to the Seller, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, 3161 Michelson Drive, Irvine, California 92612 (Attn: Rod Anavim) [ranavim@gibsondunn.com](mailto:ranavim@gibsondunn.com).

Additional information about the company's reorganization may be found online in the news section of [www.fleetwood.com](http://www.fleetwood.com) or at [www.kccllc.net/fleetwood](http://www.kccllc.net/fleetwood).

#### About Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc.

Founded in 1950, Fleetwood Enterprises, Inc. and its various subsidiaries produce, distribute, and service recreational vehicles and manufactured housing. The company is dedicated to providing high-quality, innovative products that offer exceptional value to its customers. Fleetwood continues to employ approximately 2,100 people in 14 plants located in 10 states. Fleetwood's products are primarily marketed through extensive dealer networks throughout the United States and Canada. The company is headquartered in Riverside, Calif.

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements and information based on the beliefs of Fleetwood's management as well as assumptions made by, and information currently available to, Fleetwood's management. Such statements reflect the current views of Fleetwood with respect to future events and are subject to certain risks, uncertainties, and assumptions, including risk factors identified in Fleetwood's most recent 10-K, 10-Q and other SEC filings.

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