

# MASON-DIXON



## Discoverys

## **THE MASON-DIXON HERALD**

November, 2011

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### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

The DOAI National Rally is over. This was a great rally and the people of Shawnee, OK welcomed us with open arms. There were five Mason-Dixon members in attendance, the Hadens, Moneys, Ricciardis Stanton and Tracys.

The tours were informative, the entertainment was fantastic, the golf outing challenging with the wind, the ladies social, Mugs and Muffins, was fun and the camaraderie was unbelievable. The DOAI members are also the most generous people I know. There was almost 1,000 pounds of food and \$775.50 donated to the Shawnee Food Bank, AND \$1,347.25 donated to the Armed Forces Foundation in memory of Tom Fields, a former DOAI officer.

The next DOAI National Rally will be in Tucson, AZ, October 4-8 2012. The 2013 National will be in the Southeast Region and I will be asking for locations, ideas for themes and any other suggestions you have so we can start planning for this rally. This should be a little easier than our last National because we have three chapters now that can share the work.

The Florida Sunshine Discoveries are very busy planning the Southeast Regional Rally in Seffner FL 1/29 – 2/3, 2012. This new chapter is “gung ho” to do the rally, but they might need a little direction and help so if you are asked please share your knowledge with them.

The Mason-Dixon election is almost over. You have until 11/15 to send the ballot or email it to me. I have received a few. I realize the slate is running unopposed, but your vote is still important, it shows that you support the soon to be elected officers.

A little tidbit of info. Alice and I have a cracked block in our D and it is now at Cummins in Knoxville, TN. We can't get a new engine until sometime in December or possibly January. It will be repaired eventually.

## **TREASURERS REPORT**

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

## **FLEETWOOD INFORMATION**

Fleetwood has an incentive program going on now, check out the web site,

<http://welcometofleetwoodrv.com/>

## **MASON-DIXON ELECTIONS**

The election of officers for the Mason-Dixon Discoverys is now upon us. The ballot is attached to this newsletter and the ballot must be returned by November 15, 2011. If anyone wants to propose someone or run for a position they can use the "Write-In" portion of the ballot.

## **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).

## **PRAYER LIST**

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

## **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

### **NOVEMBER**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

9 Marshall Maulk

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

9 Sonny & Helen Blackwell

## 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

### **HUMOR FOR THE MONTH**

#### **It's All About the Green Thing**

In the line at the store, the cashier told the older woman that plastic bags weren't good for the environment. The woman apologized to her and explained, "We didn't have the green thing back in my day." That's right; they didn't have the green thing in her day. Back then, they returned their milk bottles, Coke bottles and beer bottles to the store. The store sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilized and refilled, using the same bottles over and over. So they really were recycled. But they didn't have the green thing back in her day.

In her day, they walked up stairs, because they didn't have an escalator in every store and office building. They walked to the grocery store and didn't climb into a 300-horsepower machine every time they had to go two blocks. But she's right. They didn't have the green thing in her day.

Back then, they washed the baby's diapers because they didn't have the throw-away kind. They dried clothes on a line, not in an energy gobbling machine burning up 220 volts – wind and solar power really did dry the clothes. Kids got hand-me-down clothes from their brothers or sisters, not always brand-new clothing. But that old lady is right; they didn't have the green thing back in her day.

Back then, they had one TV, or radio, in the house – not a TV in every room. And the TV had a small screen the size of a pizza dish,

not a screen the size of the state of Montana. In the kitchen, they blended and stirred by hand because they didn't have electric machines to do everything for you. When they packaged a fragile item to send in the mail, they used wadded up newspaper to cushion it, not Styrofoam or plastic bubble wrap.

Back then, they didn't fire up an engine and burn gasoline just to cut the lawn. They used a push mower that ran on human power. They exercised by working so they didn't need to go to a health club to run on treadmills that operate on electricity. But she's right; they didn't have the green thing back then.

They drank from a fountain when they were thirsty, instead of using a cup or a plastic bottle every time they had a drink of water. They refilled pens with ink, instead of buying a new pen, and they replaced the razor blades in a razor instead of throwing away the whole razor just because the blade got dull. But they didn't have the green thing back then.

Back then, people took the streetcar and kids rode their bikes to school or rode the school bus, instead of turning their moms into a 24-hour taxi service. They had one electrical outlet in a room, not an entire bank of sockets to power a dozen appliances. And they didn't need a computerized gadget to receive a signal beamed from satellites 2,000 miles out in space in order to find the nearest pizza joint.

But that old lady is right. They didn't have the green thing back in her day.

**UPCOMING RALLIES**

DOAI Southeast Region Rally  
Lazydays Campground  
Seffner, FL

January 29 – February 3

**MASON-DIXON DISCOVERYS BALLOT FOR OFFICE 2012**

**PRESIDENT**

Dick Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
WRITE-IN \_\_\_\_\_  
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**VICE-PRESIDENT**

Marshall Mauck \_\_\_\_\_  
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**SECRETARY**

Martha Hundley \_\_\_\_\_  
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**TREASURER**

HELEN Blackwell \_\_\_\_\_  
WRITE-IN \_\_\_\_\_  
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**WAGON MASTER**

BOB Deal \_\_\_\_\_  
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Members Signature

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