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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

With springtime comes some beautiful scenes of the flowers and trees in bloom. Spring also brings drastic changes in the weather that produce severe thunder storms, torrential rains, hail and even tornados. By our nature, we all like to travel to new areas of our beautiful country.

This creates problems for us though. When severe weather is expected, the National Weather Service sends out alerts, either a weather watch (when conditions are favorable for a certain type of storm), or a weather warning (the storm is emanate or already in progress). The problem for us is that the warnings are given by county. So two suggestions that are made time and again but are worth repeating are, 1 purchase a weather radio and 2, when you pull off the road for the night, ask what county you are in so you can take the appropriate actions in case an alert is broadcast.

Another thing to remember in an electrical storm is to be cautious. It is suggested you unplug if you are connected to shore power. Power lines struck by lightning can cause considerable damage.

Most of us feel safe in our "D" in a storm because we are on rubber tires. Just remember when you put your jacks down your tires are no longer protecting you; there is now a direct ground through your jacks.

Well enough of that, let's get our "D's" rolling and be safe. Hope to see you at the SE Area Rally in Tennessee.

TREASURERS REPORT

As of April 1, 2009 we have \$3,193.37 in the Mason-Dixon Discoverys account.

PRAYER LIST

We have some members in need of prayer for a speedy recovery

Pam Gordon	Louise Mauck
Butch Mauck	Alice Ricciardi

MASON-DIXON CLOTHING

The hats, shirts and sweatshirts have come in and they look great. Ron Kiebler has everything. If you ordered anything, or want something, you can contact Ron at <u>ronkiebler@msn.com</u> and arrange to get it, but remember to send your payment to our Treasurer, Alice Ricciardi.

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES

<u>APRIL</u>

7

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES

- 14 Charles Smith
- 15 Robert Pettinger
- 18 Dori Baker
- 18 Dan Fletcher
- 19 Alice Kiebler
- 28 Pam Gordon

<u>MAY</u>

BIRTHDAYS

- 3 John Ricciardi
- 5 Clifford Gordon
- 14 Robert Fowlkes
- 14 Frank Gerlach

- ANNIVERSARIES
- 7 Frank & Isabel Cason

Pete & Lee Grazier

- 9 John & Dori Baker
- 23 HB & Janice Haynes

18 Elly Hall

21 Cecily Hart

CHUCKLES FOR THE MONTH

Why is the third hand on a watch called the second hand?

If a word is misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know?

Why do we sing Take Me Out To The Ball Game when we are already there?

Why is "phonics" not spelled the way it sounds?

Why doesn't glue stick to the inside of the bottle?

UPCOMING RALLIES

I would like to again ask the volunteer rally hosts to try to firm up dates and locations for your rally so everyone can make plans well in advance.

APRIL

All chapter members are highly encouraged to attend the upcoming SE Region Rally, 20-26 April 2009, at River Plantation RV Park in Sevierville, TN (near Pigeon Forge).

May

Open month; if anyone would like to host a rally please contact either John Ricciardi (252-619-6485 or <u>JONAL135@YAHOO.COM</u>) or Bob Deal (704-682-0345 or <u>bobdeal@bellsouth.net</u>).

June

Glen Camp is hosting a Rally in White Sulfur Springs, WV, with the Blue Ridge Discoverys and we are invited and encouraged to attend. **Rally dates are June 10 to 14, with early arrivals June 8 and 9.** <u>Registration form attached</u>

July

Open month; if anyone would like to host a rally please contact either John Ricciardi (252-619-6485 or <u>JONAL135@YAHOO.COM</u>) or Bob Deal (704-682-0345 or <u>bobdeal@bellsouth.net</u>).

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 Hiawassee 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 staring 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

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 with your feelings about the dinners and the play

Contacts

Bill and Marti Katterhenry 111 Hiawassee Lane Loudon, TN 37774 <u>w.katterhenry@hotmail.com</u> (Cell) 941-504-1662 Bob and Elizabeth Deal 200 Baymount Dr. Statesville, NC 28625 bobdeal@bellsouth.net (Cell) 704-682-0345

Caney Creek RV Resort and Campground 3615 Roane State HWY Harriman, TN 37748 www.caneycreekrvresort.com 865-882-4042

Cumberland County Playhouse Crossville, TN www.ccplayhouse.com

Cumberland Mountain State Park Crossville, TN www.tennessee.gov/parks/cumberlandmtn/

Whitestone Inn Harriman, TN 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

BLUERIDGE DISCOVERY'S LEWISBURG RALLY ARRIVE JUNE 10TH DEPART JUNE 14TH

PLACE; LEWISBURG, WEST VIRGINIA

Take Exit number 169 and than US 219 south. Travel south on US 219 approximately 3 miles. The highway will divide and will be one way. STAY IN RIGHT LANE. Go approx. five-tenths mile and turn in at sign, on ground, that states "DISCOVERY RALLY".

The meals will consist of 2 mountaineer breakfast, 2 full breakfast and 3 dinners.				
Cost per coach with 2 people	\$126.00			
Cost per coach with 1 person	63.00			
Cost of camping 4 nights full hookups @ \$25.00 night	100.00			
Early arrivals (Monday and Tuesday) \$25.00 x nights				

I have made reservations for a group tour of the previous US GOVERNMENT Underground bunker at the Greenbrier Resort in White Sulphur Springs. The tour is scheduled for 10:00 AM on Friday

The cost of the 90 minute walking, guided tour is \$30.00 each x ______ (see attachment)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO; BLUERIDGE DISCOVERYS

PRE-REGISTRATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 1, 2009

REGISTRATION AT THE RALLY WILL BE \$140.00

REFUNDS WILL BE MADE FOR EMERGENCIES.

MAIL REGISTRATION TO; Glenn R. Camp 33 Castle Drive White Sulphur Springs, WV 24986 My home phone is 304-536-4249 cell 304-667-7249 and email is ggcamp@suddenlink.net

NAMES_____DOAI #_____

PLEASE NOTE; I WILL FORWARD CHECKS AT LEAST ONCE WEEKLY TO OUR TREASURER SO THEY CAN BE PROCESSED. Need to be sure they are good before the rally. JUST KIDDING, OK ??