

THE GMC

DIXIELANDER

“Roaming Dixie together”

NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2006

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Newsletter Editor	Ken O'Rourke

Dixielander Minutes:

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING
OF JANUARY 22, 2006

CLERMONT, FLA - The meeting was called to order by outgoing President O'Rourke at 1510. The invocation was given by Lew Ayres and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The next order of business was the official passing of the gavel to John Nicholls, the incoming President.

Vice-president Jim Walters announced the lineup of 2006 rallies and their locations: Bean Station on 4-7 May; River Plantation RV Park at Sevierville, Tenn on 25-27 July; The Farmers Opry at Chumuckla, Fla. on 5-8 October. Walters noted that no site had yet been selected for the Winter rally. Alma O'Rourke rose to make a motion that the club return to Lazy Days. Ray Whelan seconded the motion. Nicholls called for discussion. There being none, a vote was called for and the vote was unanimous in favor of returning to Lazy Days.

Secretary Acosta read the minutes of the previous business meeting held at Perry, Ga. on 15 October 2005. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Ron Davis and seconded by Alma O'Rourke.

The Treasure's report was read by Vice-President Walters in the absence of the Treasurer Chuck Chambers. The ending balance as of 15 January 2006 was \$5998.05. A motion to accept the report was made by Gene Welch and seconded by Ike Grove.

It was noted that to date 88 members had still not renewed their memberships for 2006 and that in accordance with the bylaws, the deadline for renewals was March 1st, after

IN MEMORIAM:

~ ~ ~ ~ **JOE BURDETTE** ~ ~ ~ ~

Joe L. Burdette, age 84, of Conyers, died February 4, 2006. He is survived by his wife of over 60 years, Allene Pless Burdette. The family held a funeral service Monday February 6th. It was attended by many friends including a large contingent of GMC Dixielanders who all sat together to honor Joe.

Joe was a friend, a good guy, a Christian, a Dixielander and an all around nice person. You have honored us by being our friend, We will miss you Joe.

A Thank you from Allene:

To our Dixielander friends: Thank you for your prayers, cards, calls and the words of love and encouragement during this so difficult time for me. Sincerely, Allene Burdette

which, an additional charge of \$10 would be levied for reinstatement..

The Sunshine report was read by Judy Acosta. She noted that many of the members who had suffered ailments over the past year were present at this rally which was a positive sign. She mentioned 3 members who had recently suffered setbacks: Bill Telgen with a severe leg injury; Marty Laird who broke her arm and Chuck Chambers who will be undergoing knee surgery in early February.

Don Leslie presented the FMCA schedule for 2007. He raised the question for consideration of holding a Dixielander rally at the same time at Perry, Ga. so members could attend a portion of the FMCA rally. A show of hands indicated that about one half of those present were interested.

J.R. Slaten rose to mention the Spring rally of GMCMI in March 2006 at Montgomery, Texas and that the GMC Classics would be assisting in hosting that rally.

Marty Samsel noted that the male beauty pageant previously planned for Montgomery would be held at the Fall International rally in Michigan and that a dress rehearsal was planned for Bean Station. She requested that each participant bring their costumes. Additionally, there will be a luau night, attendees should bring typical Hawaiian outfits to wear.

Ken O'Rourke spoke about receiving the newsletter by email and the postage savings to the club. He encouraged members to opt for electronic delivery if feasible. He also requested articles for publication in the newsletter and indicated that would assist in proofing and grammatically arranging all submissions and coordinating with the author prior to printing.

Ken Henderson reported on the status of the Dixielander web site. We currently have 52 members on the mailing list and he encourages the members with email capabilities to contact him to sign up.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Richard Harwell and seconded by many. The meeting adjourned at 1600.

Flic Acosta

Secretary

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President's Message:

Thanks to all for a good winter rally. Our associations are what it is all about. I have gained a new respect for the host and hostess roles. Rita and I paid some of our dues. Special thanks go to John Richardson for driving us around to pick up supplies, for Linda Richardson for her help in the kitchen, to Roscoe Trivett for chairing the 1st tech session, to Jim Bounds for chairing the 2nd tech session, to Betty Davis for the craft session, to Brother Shoulders for the worship service and to all those others who just pitched in and made it happen. Dave Perry sure knows how to pick good caterers. That BBQ chicken was as good as any I've ever eaten.

We are starting a new spot light feature in the newsletter. Please let Ken O'Rourke know who should be featured.

I look forward to serving your chapter this year.

John Nicholls

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January Joint Rally – Clerbrook Resort:

The rally was a good one and all had a wonderful time thanks to John & Rita Nicholls and Dave Perry who were co-hosts for the event. The weather was beautiful the food was great and the company superb. In attendance were:

- 137 total people, Dixielanders and Sunshine Statesmen
- 9 SOBs (includes guests and no coach)
- 31 Dixielander GMC coaches
- 27 SS GMC coaches (some GMC's are members of both clubs)

The only drawback was the location of our coaches, they were spread all over the park and not located together. The grass was wet and we all know how well the GMC's perform on wet grass. Otherwise a great event.

The Alumni GMC group had just come from their rally at Lazy Days and were in full regalia. Several new coaches were there with the owners busily trying to figure out all the bells and whistles. Richard & Susan Harwell had their new Prevost (bought to accommodate all their grandchildren). Ed & Carol had their new coach with all the slide-outs, nice enough to spend their time with Habitat for Humanity.

At the general membership meeting a vote was taken to return to Lazy Days next year. More information will be forthcoming in future Dixielander newsletters

Ken O'Rourke

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

We have a club made up of talented folks. To highlight one couple -----

Our very own Dennis and Brenda Ray were featured in an article in the DeFuniak Springs, FL "Daily News", November 27th. The Rays own and occupy a 101 year old Victorian home in DeFuniak.

They and their home were decked out in holiday finery and open to the public during the 15th Annual Tour of Homes conducted on December 3rd. The Rays take due pride in having restored the home to its 1904 condition and furnishing it with period pieces. If you are traveling down DeFuniak Springs way, they will be happy to give you a personal tour of 262 Circle Drive (a magnificent home on a round lake). Since they are often out -and-about themselves, they do request that you please give them a call in advance." **John Nicholls**

RALLIES FOR 2006:

Spring Rally: Bean Station Work Rally May 4th, 5th and 6th.

This is the annual work rally put on by Al and Marty Samsel and Ray and Trula Bingham. The sign-up sheet is included in this Newsletter. You may save a postage stamp by sending both of the spring and summer reservation sheets to Marty as soon as possible. See reservation sheet below.

Summer Rally: River Plantation RV Park, Sevierville, TN, July 25 - 27

This is next to Pigeon Forge. 40 sites have been secured, but if we get the reservations in by June 1 (cut-off date) we can probably have more sites if needed. Dates are July 25-27. This is Tues, Wed and Thursday. This was done because they have more sites for us and the traffic is so heavy on weekends--almost impossible. Rates are \$26 for 30 amp and \$28 for 50 amp (reserved are four 50 amp sites. Please use these only if you have use for 50 amps). The rally fee will be \$12.50 or \$25 per couple. Hosted by Marty & Al Samsel and Trula & Ray Bingham. (Sign-up info is included in this issue and also will be in the next Dixielander newsletter). Please bring cups, plates and dinnerware for the potluck.

Fall Rally: October 12 to 15, 2006. Great food, good music, and a mystery program. Come join the Rowdy Bunch and enjoy an exciting fun filled rally at the Farmers' Opry near Chumuckla, Florida which is located North of Pensacola, Florida and the Gorgeous Gulf Coast. A primary highlight will feature a Championship Bull Riding competition on the Opry grounds. Hosts are Dennis & Brenda Ray, Herb & Joni Haught, and Ron & Betty Davis. Sign-up sheet will be with the May Newsletter.

Winter Rally: The decision has been made to return to Lazy Days near Tampa. No date has been determined.

WiFi, what is it and how to set it up for your GMC

The need to take your computer with you on your travels continues to grow, along with the popularity of RVing. The laptop or notebook computer is excellent for E-mail communications with family and friends, but increasing numbers of RVers need high-speed access to the Internet for personal and business needs. WiFi (wireless Fidelity) wireless Internet access technology with a laptop or notebook computer provides the fastest inexpensive connection to the Internet. WiFi has become the most popular method for people traveling because of the ease of use and high data transfer rates (up to 3.0M), inexpensive equipment, payment only for the time you need, and low costs. WiFi hot spots are available at an increasing number of RV resorts, campgrounds and state parks, as well as hotels, airports, truck stops (including Love's and Flying J), restaurants, and more, providing Internet access to all within range.

What Does the GMC'er Need for WiFi?

WiFi technology requires a wireless network adapter in your computer along with the adapter software. The adapter can be built-in by the manufacturer (recommended), or you can purchase a removable network adapter (PCI card or USB adapter) and software for approximately \$50. The WiFi network adapter automatically detects all "Hot Spot" servers within range that can connect you to the Internet. To use WiFi service at a hot spot, select and connect to the hot spot server. If you already have an account, just log in. If you don't have an account, then provide the necessary information to open an account and select a login name and password. At that point you are connected and can go directly to the Internet via your Web browser. You can also choose to access the Internet via your current ISP over the ISP/LAN connection after logging onto the WiFi provider Internet site.

Who are the Providers of WiFi Services?

Linkspot Networks, Inc. (www.linkspot.com) and TengolInternet (www.tengointernet.com) are the two major providers of wireless internet access for RVers at many RV resorts, campgrounds, and state parks. WiFi service plans are available for daily, weekly, monthly and long-term use at reasonable rates.

More Internet sites to help you find available WiFi hot spots include:

- <http://www.rvtravel.com/wifi.html>
- <http://www.flyingj.com>
- <http://www.truckstop.net/>
- <http://www.wi-fihotspotlist.com/browse/us/>

Security Exposures - When you use WiFi access, you are on a public network and your data transmissions can be intercepted. You should utilize your **virus, spy ware, ad blocker, firewall, and network security software features**. I strongly recommend that you do not use WiFi on a public network to access bank accounts, brokerage accounts, or other sites where sensitive information, such as account IDs, passwords, PIN numbers, Social Security numbers, etc., are being transmitted. The only exception would be when the data transmitted is encrypted. If you have a computer, I recommend that you consider using WiFi access. Select the time period you need service and be set for rapid and easy Internet access.

Condensed from Woodalls Monthly Newsletter
By Ken O'Rourke

TECH TALK:

Voltmeter to the Rescue

**By
Ken Henderson**

Do you have a voltmeter monitoring your chassis battery voltage? You should. Here's an example of why: We returned from Florida last night after a three week, two rally, two

GMC alternator excursion. As we left Melbourne, FL enroute to Bowling Green, FL, Elaine and I both smelled something funny, so I stopped and tried unsuccessfully to find the source. When I restarted the engine, I noticed that my dash voltmeter was reading 16 VDC and sometimes jumping even higher. Knowing that much voltage would damage the batteries, we turned on the headlights, A/C blower, and every interior light we could find. That dropped the voltmeter reading to about 15 VDC, a marginally high voltage, but not terribly destructive, so we continued the trip. After about 15 minutes, the voltmeter reading dropped quickly to 12.5 VDC, which indicated that we were operating on the chassis battery alone, with no alternator contribution. With only 130 miles to travel, I decided to continue. Over the next 100 miles, the voltmeter dropped steadily; at 10 VDC, the engine faltered so I switched on the house batteries using my non-momentary battery boost switch. The voltage quickly climbed back to 12.5 VDC, the engine ran fine, and we reached Bowling Green with no further difficulty.

The next day, after failing to repair the dead alternator, I bought a rebuilt one and installed it. The voltmeter once again read 14.7 VDC, the exact voltage indicated on Advance Auto's tester. I kept the old alternator so I can repair it for a spare and we continued our travels around Florida. About 100 miles before we got home, the voltmeter again jumped to over 16 VDC and the inverter I use to run my laptop computer kicked off because of the overvoltage condition. Even turning on all the lights would not bring the voltage back down and it would occasionally jump even higher, so I decided on a temporary repair. Reasoning that the just-replaced alternator was probably OK, the most likely reason for the voltage going high was that the voltage sense lead was not providing the battery voltage to the alternator, causing it to "think" it needed to produce more voltage. A jumper wire from the #2 lead on the alternator to the chassis battery corrected the problem and allowed us to continue to Americus without further difficulty.

The voltmeter alerted me to the original alternator problem so I could take preventive action (by placing additional load on the alternator) before it damaged my batteries. Then when the second alternator began to act up, it enabled me to determine the probable cause of the problem and provide a temporary fix without damaging the batteries or the rebuilt alternator. Neither of those problems would have been indicated by the GEN light until the alternators actually failed. A voltmeter is money well spent.

Now, I've just got to find the fault in the battery voltage sense line and correct it.

EDITOR's NOTE: Ken has promised to tell us in the next Dixielander what he found was the cause.

PLEASE NOTIFY:

hend4800@bellsouth.net OF YOUR NEW OR CHANGED EMAIL ADDRESS!

SAFETY BULLETIN

There is only one thing lower than a GMC without air, and that's a snakes belly.

Remember this and **do not put any part of your body under a GMC** without it being completely blocked from falling. Make sure the jacks are rated for what you are lifting and remember this is only a straight up and down rating. If possible, use the new "J" hook style and make sure it has a weld bead around the pad where the jack post will rest, otherwise it may tend to slip off the "J" hook. If the coach should tip sideways it will put lateral stress on the jacks or jack stands and most likely cause them to fail. And by all means, **never use a cement block, cinder block or bricks** to block up your GMC. A mounted spare tire and rim makes a good safety precaution when slid under the frame.

When your GMC sets normally with the bags inflated to the proper level, there is room to crawl under to do minor jobs, **DO NOT DO THIS**. The air bags could blow up or the air

lines could leak suddenly or the boggy could break. When jacking up the bogies, use a metal bar to equalize the bogies (front to back) and make sure the bars are properly positioned. Do this before you let the air out of the bags and use the readily available "J" jack hooks for jacking up the bogies. When using ramps, make sure the ramps are fully rated for the amount of weight you are supporting. Using stacked 2 X 6's (2 x 8's are better) makes a good ramp but remember it also can slide sideways. Not all of us have a pit but it is best to use a pit when you have to do any work under your GMC. Contact some local garages or muffler shops, they will sometimes rent you some time. There have been many people injured by not abiding to this rule. Unfortunately the death incidence is high as there is no escaping and a horrible way to die.

BE VERY CAUTIOUS

Ken O'Rourke

Subject: Canoe race

(This is very realistic and close to the truth)

To cement international relations, a Chinese company and an American company decided to have a canoe race on a river, either the Yangtze or the Mississippi River, it was decided to alternate. Both teams practiced long and hard to reach their peak performance before the race.

On the big day on the Mississippi, the Chinese won by a mile. The Americans, very discouraged and depressed, decided to investigate the reason for the crushing defeat after all the hard work and many practice sessions.

A management team made up of senior management and engineers was formed to investigate and recommend appropriate action. Their conclusion was the Chinese had eight people rowing and one person steering, while the American team had eight people steering and one person rowing.

So American management hired a French consulting company and paid them a large amount of money for a second opinion. They advised that there were too many advisors, too many people steering the boat, while not enough people were rowing, no storage for the wine and the lunch period was not long enough to properly satisfy their energy requirements.

To prevent another loss to the Chinese, the American rowing team's management structure was totally reorganized to four steering supervisors, three area industrial engineers and an assistant superintendent steering manager. They also implemented a new performance system that would give the one person rowing the boat greater incentive to work harder. It was called the "Rowing Team Quality First Program", with meetings, dinners, a free membership in the new physical fitness facility program and a promotional ballpoint pen for the rower.

There was discussion of getting new paddles, canoes and other equipment, extra vacation days for practices, small wine storage cubicles, bonuses for the executives and time off for the company President's birthday.

The following year on the Yangtze river, the Chinese won by two miles. Humiliated, the American management laid off the rower for unsatisfactory performance, halted development of a new prototype canoe, sold the new style paddles to the Chinese and canceled all future capital investments for new and improved equipment.

The money saved was distributed to the Senior Executives as bonuses, and the next year's racing team was downsized and outsourced to India.

Source - unknown

FOR SALE:

1978 GMC Royale

49,000 miles, coachmen interior, new electrical upgrade-electronic converter with

Charge Wizard, Hard-wired Surge Guard, Marine grade DC fuse blocks / Auto Type Fuses, new tires and Bilstein Shocks, New Awning, dry side bath with new larger sink and medicine cabinet, \$20,000. E-mail or call for more information and pictures. 78GMCRoyale@bellsouth.net Located in Lenoir City, TN. Phone (865) 986-8898 John Howell.

Wanted :

Old issues of FMCA magazine, Trailer Life and Motorhome magazine from 1990 and earlier or any other motorhome magazines of that time period. Anyone wanting to sell or give away any of these magazines contact - - - John Howell, 1875 Grubb Rd. , Lenoir City, TN 37771. (865) 986-8898 78gmcroyale@bellsouth.net

STORAGE ROOF POD:

21 cubic feet measures 70 x 33 x 15, Good condition, Asking \$200, call Ray Bingham at (423) 247-7784

1976 GMC 23' Rear Bath

94K miles, new black and gray tanks, new refrig, new driver and passenger seats, reupholstered sofa-dinette, exterior paint 5 years old, Replaced recently, transmission, radiator, gear box. New front rotors, pads, calipers. Two new batteries. Cold A/C with R134 installed by Zeb Frady. Call Bob Allen (770) 330-8498 Cartersville, GA

1978 GMC 26' Royale

Approximately 100,000 miles, rear twin beds, dry bath, 403 engine recently replaced, aluminum wheels, good tires, interior redone completely in good shape, pullout pantry. Many spare parts included. Asking \$17,000. Call Nell Toole at (843) 556-5949

1974 CANYONLANDS – Good Condition, New Frig, Dump Valve, Steering Box and shaft, and New tires. \$13,500 or best offer. Contact Emerson Minge, Athens, TN. (423) 745-9423

ATTORNEY'S ADVICE:

(NO CHARGE)

Read this and make a copy for your files in case you need to refer to it someday. Maybe we should all take some of his advice!

A corporate attorney sent the following out to the employees in his company.

1. The next time you order checks have only your initials (instead of first name) and last name put on them. If someone takes your checkbook, they will not know if you sign your checks with just your initials or your first name, but your bank will know how you sign your checks.
2. Do not sign the back of your credit cards. Instead, put "PHOTO ID REQUIRED".
3. When you are writing checks to pay on your credit card accounts, DO NOT put the complete account number on the "For" line. Instead, just put the last four numbers. The credit card company knows the rest of the number, and anyone who might be handling your check as it passes through all the check processing channels won't have access to it.
4. Put your work phone # on your checks instead of your home phone. If you have a PO Box use that instead of your home address. If you do not have a PO Box, use your work address. Never have your SS# printed on your checks. (DUH!) You can add it if it is necessary. But if you have it printed, anyone can get it.
5. Place the contents of your wallet on a photocopy machine. Do both sides of each license, credit card, etc. You will know what you had in your wallet and all of the account numbers and phone numbers to call and cancel. Keep the photocopy in a safe place. I also carry a photocopy of my passport when I travel either here or abroad. We've all heard horror stories about fraud that's committed on us in stealing a name, address, Social Security number, credit cards.

Unfortunately, I, an attorney, have firsthand knowledge because my wallet was stolen last month. Within a week, the thief(s) ordered an expensive monthly cell phone package, applied for a VISA credit card, had a credit line approved to buy a Gateway computer, received a PIN number from DMV to change my driving record information online, and more. But here's some critical information to limit the damage in case this happens to you or someone you know:

1. We have been told we should cancel our credit cards immediately. But the key is having the toll free numbers and your card numbers handy so you know whom to call. Keep those where you can find them.
 2. File a police report immediately in the jurisdiction where your credit cards, etc., were stolen. This proves to credit providers you were diligent, and this is a first step toward an investigation (if there ever is one). But here's what is perhaps most important of all : (I never even thought to do this.)
 3. Call the 3 national credit reporting organizations immediately to place a fraud alert on your name and Social Security number. I had never heard of doing that until advised by a bank that called to tell me an application for credit was made over the Internet in my name. The alert means any company that checks your credit knows your information was stolen, and they have to contact you by phone to authorize new credit.
- By the time I was advised to do this, almost two weeks after the theft, all the damage had been done. There are records of all the credit checks initiated by the thieves' purchases, none of which I knew about before placing the alert. Since then, no additional damage has been done, and the thieves threw my wallet away This weekend (someone turned it in). It seems to have stopped them dead in their tracks.
- Now, here are the numbers you always need to contact about your wallet, etc., has been stolen:

- 1.) Equifax: 1-800-525-6285
- 2.) Experian (formerly TRW): 1-888-397-3742
- 3.) Trans Union: 1-800-680-7289
- 4.) Social Security Administration (fraud line): 1-800-269-0271

DIXIELANDER JACKETS & HATS

John Nicholls has 7 Dixielander hats and 3 club flags @ \$7 and \$29 each.

If you wish to order a "Dixielander" hat or Jacket in the future, you will have to order them directly from the supplier. The jackets are quilted and a little warmer than the old design. The information and cost is as follows:

JACKETS (S, M, L and XL)	\$62.50
XXT (Extra Large)	\$72.50
Shipping	5.00

Phone or Write to : Tax 7%

House of Embroidery, Inc.
 2468 Rock Chapel Road
 Lithonia, GA 30058
 Phone: (770) 484-9410

Ken O'Rourke – Editor

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REMINDER:

IF YOUR DUES ARE NOT PAID YET, THEY ARE NOW PAST DUE. IF NOT PAID BY 1 MARCH, 2006 YOU WILL BE CHARGED AN ADDITIONAL \$10 INITIATION FEE AND OMITTED FROM THE 2006 PUBLISHED ROSTER WHICH IS MAILED WITH THIS NEWSLETTER.

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***YOUR
2006***

***MEMBER ROSTER IS INCLUDED IN
 THIS MAILING***

BEAN STATION ANNUAL WORK RALLY

Al & Marty Samsel, Ray & Trula Bingham

May 4th, 5th & 6th, 2006

865 993-2750 (Barn), 865 993-5635 (House), 865 604-0672 (Cell)

It's time to start looking forward to our favorite rally of the season. This is the time to get advice and help when needed for those things that need to be done on our coaches. The rally format is as follows

- You are welcome to arrive early and stay over, just indicate the dates on the sign-up sheet.
- Ladies, bring your craft ideas.
- Pit time needed should be indicated on your sign-up sheet below.
- Wall Mart and Dollar General (walking distance) are located nearby.

DIRECTIONS TO THE SAMSEL FARM:

The Samsel farm is located on Hwy 11-W & 25-E in Bean Station, TN. Hwy 25-E is a dual lane and adjacent to the entrance (Dalton Mobile Home Park) is a Dollar General store. Turn north into the mobile home park. Those coming from Knoxville/Corbin, KY will cross over (U-turn) at the Texaco gas station (Ned Clark Road) and come back to the Dollar General Store. Those coming from I-81 and Kingsport, NC continue about 1 block west of the Texaco station to the Dollar General store and turn north, right in to the mobile home park, then left to the barn.

- **FRM Knoxville:** Take Hwy 11-W (Rutledge Pike – 40 miles east).
- **FRM Corbin, KY:** Take Hwy 25-E, south to farm, which is 1 mile southeast of 11-W intersection.
- **FRM Ashville:** Take I-40 west to I-81 north. Take exit #8 (Hwy 25-E). North 17.3 miles to Dollar General Store.

NOTE: Large Motorhomes will be parked in the new “full hook-up” area.

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_ # OF PERSONS \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL DATE \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTURE DATE \_\_\_\_\_

HANDICAP PARKING REQUESTED YES\_\_\_ PIT TIME REQUESTED YES \_\_\_\_\_

### Rally Fee:

(Send with application) \$18 per person X \_\_\_\_\_ People = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Camping Fee:** (Will be collected upon arrival, please have cash or check ready)

Full Hookups (w/e/s): \$15 per day X \_\_\_\_\_ days = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Electric Hookups only: \$10 per day X \_\_\_\_\_ days = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### MAIL TO:

Marty Samsel, P.O. Box 310, Bean Station, TN 37708

# BEAN STATION ANNUAL WORK RALLY

Al & Marty Samsel, Ray & Trula Bingham

May 4th, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, 2006

## Tentative Schedule

Each coach bring a dish for pot luck a dessert and hors d'oeuvres

Thursday 6:30 PM Potluck Dinner, bring a dish. JR and Ray Whelan will fry turkeys

Friday, 8:00 AM Breakfast  
9:00 AM Flea Market  
NOON Lunch on your own  
5:00 PM Happy Time  
6:30 PM Dinner by Trula and Marty Luau time, wear loud or colorful Hawaiian attire.

Saturday,

8:00 AM Breakfast served  
10:00 AM Executive Meeting  
NOON: Lunch on your own  
2:00 PM: General Membership Meeting  
4:00 P.M. DERBY PARTY: Drinks served, wear your Derby Hat  
6:30 PM: Dinner served by Marty and Trula

Sunday,

8:00 AM Breakfast served, Rally over, Have a safe trip and may the gas leprechauns be with you.

# DIXIELANDER SUMMER RALLY

## JULY 25, 26, and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006

### RIVER PLANTATION RV PARK

1004 Parkway  
Sevierville, TN 37862  
800 758-5267

**HOSTS: Al and Marty Samsel and Ray and Trula Bingham**

**DIRECTIONS:** From I-40, exit 407 (hwy 66), this becomes the Parkway (also hwy 441). After you make the big turn in downtown Sevierville, get in the left lane, River Plantation RV Park is a short distance on your left.

You can come in on #321 from I-40 east. This takes you through Gatlinburg and Pigeon Forge. River Plantation RV Park will be on your right a short distance beyond the Wall Mart.

You can also come over the mountain from Cherokee if your GMC will make it. Come to Gatlinburg and proceed as above directions tell you.

- Each coach to bring a dessert and hors d'oeuvre to share also bring plates and dinnerware.
- Rally Fee is \$12.50 per person.
- All hook-ups are full (w/e/s). 30 amps are \$26 per night and 50 amps are \$28 per night.
- We have the use of an open pavilion for all meals and functions.
- If you plan on attending you must do two things:
  - Fill out the application below and send to Marty along with a check for \$25.
  - Call the RV Park at **1-800-758-5267** and make your reservation individually. If you come in early or stay later, you will have to arrange it with the Park. You will need to tell which hook-up you need (30 or 50 amps) and have a credit card ready to give them for your reservation. Be sure to tell them that you are a Dixielander and should be in the reserved Dixielander area. **All reservations have to be made prior to 1 June, 2006.**

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|-----------|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Tuesday   | July 25 <sup>th</sup> : | Hamburgers/Hot Dogs and fixings.                     |
| Wednesday | July 26 <sup>th</sup> : | Breakfast served, for dinner, Pot Luck, bring a dish |
| Thursday  | July 27 <sup>th</sup> : | Breakfast served, Dinner on your own                 |
| Friday    | July 28 <sup>th</sup> : | Breakfast served, leave for home                     |

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NAME _____ # OF PERSONS _____

ARRIVAL DATE _____ DEPARTURE DATE _____

ELECT. HOOK-UP (30 OR 50 amps.) 30 Amps _____ 50 Amps. _____

RALLY FEE: (send with application): \$12.50 PER PERSON x # OF PEOPLE = \$ _____

CAMPING FEE (call in reservation to Park, see above)

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|---------|------|---|-------------|---|----------|
| 30 Amps | \$26 | X | # of nights | = | \$ _____ |
| 50 Amps | \$28 | X | # of nights | = | \$ _____ |

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