



DIXIE RANGER

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The purpose of this letter is two-fold: First, it is to announce the next meeting, and Second, to attach a ballot with names shown thereon for election of officers for calendar year 1972.

NEXT MEETING

It will be a dinner meeting and here are the details:

TIME: 12:00 Noon, December 1, 1971

PLACE: Black Angus Restaurant,
1999 Peachtree Road, about
three blocks from the office.

MENU: Tossed Salad; Baked Potato;
London Broil w/mushroom
gravy, Vegetable; Bread
and Butter; Beverage (Tea
or Coffee); Scoop of Ice
Cream or Sherbert (The
bar will be open for
those who wish to partici-
pate)

COST: Meal will be \$2.75 per person,
including tax and tip.

RESERVATIONS: Make them with
Katherine Kealy, Phone 526-
5964, not later than 11/26/71.
The reservation form may be used
to mail in reservation. Include
payment with reservation.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR CY 1972

Use the attached ballot and mail the completed ballot to John W. Cooper, Secretary, at the above address. Please utilize your voting privilege and help us get a vote from the full membership for our new officers for 1972.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

President....H. C. Eriksson
Vice Pres....J. D. Strange
Secretary....John W. Cooper
Treasurer....Jim Cartwright

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ray Brandt....3-year term
Clint Herrick.2-year term
John B. Spring.1-year term

NOTES AND LETTERS

Since our last issue, we have had very good response from quite a few of our members. Here is what they say:

From A. B. and Evelyn Williams, sent from Denmark, August 17: We certainly did see the name Eriksson all over Sweden. It is a lovely country with wonderful forests. They really have a wonderful museum showing so many of their projects, etc. We have been in our Camper over four months and driven over 12,000 miles and have enjoyed every bit of it. This is really the way to see all of Europe. When it rains we are high and dry - we see many Americans in pop-up Volkswagon Campers. Hope you are enjoying your retirement.

A note from Emera W. Renshaw inquires "whether I'm the only member of the Association living in Idaho." We'll have

to check up on that "Ren".

While I said that we had a good response from our readers when they received the last newsletter - considering that we have approximately 250 readers, a note or letter from ten of them SHOULDN'T BE considered a GOOD response. Agree? All you folks learned to write, via Doctor Lippert, or otherwise - LET US HEAR FROM YOU!

BUT, WE HAVE MORE LETTERS:

From Russ Vance, 449 Kensington, Missoula, Mt. 49801, 9/19/71: Reading the last issue of the Dixie Ranger was like an old home week. It seemed to me that I knew at least 80% of those mentioned. But, then, I spent more time in R8 than any where - I should know many. Our telephone number is 406-728-1484 - he gave us his birth date and his wife's too. We are leaving here on the 2nd of October on an extended trip. We'll spend about three months touring the east and south and then about 1/15/72 leave San Francisco by freighter for Hong Kong. We will visit several far east cities and my brother in India. We'll go to Greece and Switzerland for a trip down the Rhine to Amsterdam. We plan a week or two in England before we take another freighter back to San Fran. We will be gone about nine months. Congratulations and good luck on your venture with the Dixie Ranger. It is a valuable service to us all.

AND from Bill Fischer:

We spent July 19 through August 18 visiting our son and family in Omaha, Nebraska and daughter, Catherine, in Denver, Colorado. (Incidentally, the Fischer's were really surprised by their daughter,

Martha, on 10/20 when she put on a surprise party for them at her house. Was it ever a SURPRISE. Those present were the Hunts, Herricks, Grays, Russells, Newcombs, Marie Janelle, McKinleys and their son and family from Cleveland, Tennessee. The reason for the surprise party for the Fischers was their 40th wedding anniversary. Wish you could have ALL been there.

Quite a few of the communications I've received have furnished the information as to the birthday of the member and his spouse. In case you haven't received a birthday card, please blame it on Ye editor - I just haven't furnished that information to the birthday committee as yet - but I hope 1972 will see a change. Would you believe that of the approximately 250 members, I have received only a maximum of 25 birth dates? Perhaps, the Committee Chairman can verify that ALL of you haven't been as lax as I think you have been. Send in your birth dates if you want a birthday card in the future, from the organization of which you are a charter member.

Here is a letter from Richard E. (Dick) Elliott - George Washington 1967: "Enjoyed reading the Dixie Ranger for August. It's good to keep in touch with people and things. We keep busy with the consulting business, mostly in the winter months and early spring and late fall. The rest of the year, we travel. In the U. S. and Canada, it's with a travel trailer. We've been to the west coast twice and spent a winter in Florida and the Mardi Gras in N. O. This summer we spent over two months touring Europe in Avis Rental cars and saw Great Britain, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, Liechtenstein,

Austria, Italy, Switzerland and France. It was a great thrill to find our way around in strange places. The biggest thrill was in meeting the little people of these countries at the pensions, private homes, and little inns. They were so kind and good to us everywhere we went, it was almost unbelievable and most gratifying. We finished up the summer with a month in Maine at our two places on the coast and in the north woods. We keep busy and happy with all of this and 10 grandchildren. Very best regards to everyone. Dick wrote from 201 E. Bank St., Bridgewater, Virginia 22812.

While most of you know the reason for canceling the picnic at Stone Mountain, scheduled for September 23, it is with deep sympathy and sincere sorrow that we announce the death of Elaine Eriksson, wife of our President. Elaine's death occurred on the night of September 22 and there was no alternative but to cancel the picnic.

The picnic meeting at Stone Mountain will probably be scheduled for sometime next summer.

One of our charter members and a friend of all of you - Harry Rossoll - retired on September 24. His retirement party was on September 22 and I think it would be safe to say that there were more friends, fellow employees, state employees, and others attending Harry's party than at any previous retirement party. While a lot of you will read about Harry's retirement in the R-8 news (next issue) we will copy what they had to say and give you the full details in our next issue.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Since the December 1 meeting will be the last of the year, it is appropriate to ask that all Committee Chairmen - the first name under each committee list, attached to Vol. I #2 June 1971 newsletter - is a Chairman - to submit a report of his Committee for the year 1971. It is realized that this year was an activation year, but each Committee

has done something - so report it. In case you cannot be present, submit your report in writing. In case you are present at the 12/1 meeting, prepare your report in writing so it can be made part of the records for our first year in operation. We want to have a complete record of what we did in 1971 and we can have this record ONLY by cooperation with and submission of reports by the Chairmen of the various Committees. Let's have a complete report from everyone - hear?

ANOTHER REMINDER

P L E A S E, everybody, send the Secretary your telephone number and the birth dates (Not year) of you and your spouse.

Thanks, "Ye Secretary"

BALLOT FOR VOTING ON OFFICERS OF THE SOUTHERN
FOREST SERVICE RETIREES ASSOCIATION FOR
CALENDAR YEAR 1972

FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT (To replace H. C. Eriksson & J. D. Strange)
(Vote for two--the person receiving the highest number of votes
will be President and the next highest, Vice-President)

LAWRENCE S. (Larry) NEWCOMB ☐

CLINTON S. (Clint) HERRICK ☐

DOUG CRAIG ☐

LARRY MAYS ☐

(Your Other Choice) ☐

(Your Other Choice) ☐

FOR SECRETARY (To replace John W. Cooper)

JOHN W. COOPER ☐

CECIL MONTGOMERY ☐

(Your Other Choice) ☐

FOR TREASURER (To replace Jim Cartwright)

RUSSELL (Russ) EATON ☐

LEWIS G. (Lew) WHIPPLE ☐

(Your Other Choice) ☐

FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS (To replace John Spring)

WILLIAM H. (Bill) Fischer ☐

DOROTHY SMITH ☐

(Your Other Choice) ☐