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March 14-17, 2011 FMCA's 85th Family Reunion

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> Ocean Lakes Family Campground Myrtle Beach, SC 29575

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Note!



#### ~ President's Message ~

A new year has arrived and for some comes the challenges of making our coaches ready for another year of travel, rallies and renewing old friendships. For others, you are already out on the road, and don't have a care in the world. Last year, many of our members spent time in the middle of our great country and out west while attending FMCA Family Reunions & Motorhome



Showcase in Albuquerque, NM and Redmond, OR. These events were followed by FCOC National rallies at Amarillo, TX and Harrisburg, OR. I must say that our National rallies were very well attended and our Rally Masters and Assistant Rally Masters deserved the many accolades received for their hard work. For 2011 Myrtle Beach rally was also a huge success, again attesting to the hard work by Barbara Knutson (Rally Master) and Steve Batorson (Assistant Rally Master). Looking forward, planning for the summer rally at Amana Colonies RV Park, IA, which follows the FMCA at Madison, WI, is just starting.

I don't know if you are aware or not, but for 2012 (and possibly beyond) the FMCA will only conduct one Family Reunion & Motorhome Showcase, and that will be at Indianapolis in August. This schedule change presents a small problem for our club. Specifically, do we follow FMCA and reduce our National rallies to just one a year or should we continue having two National rallies each year; one in the spring and the other during the summer/fall? The other part of the problem concerns what area of the country would be best for our membership in 2012 and what are the potential location(s) for the second rally? The cost of fuel certainly enters in to this equation. If you have an opinion, don't hold back. Send your thoughts/recommendation(s) to me at <a href="mailto:president@fcocrv.org">president@fcocrv.org</a>, or to the Senior Vice President/Wagon Master at <a href="mailto:syp@fcocrv.org">syp@fcocrv.org</a>. We would certainly like to know your thinking on this matter.

The Executive Board has been looking at our membership numbers and has considered a number of methods to increase our membership. We thought about advertising in the Family Motor Coaching magazine, RV Journal, Escapee Magazine, Good Sam/Highways, and Motorhomes magazines. Unfortunately, advertising costs were beyond what we thought would provide a good return on We also considered submitting an article for the FMCA Chapter Spotlight column but learned the club would have to wait a number of years until all 500-plus chapters had been featured. As an option, we have submitted an article to FMCA for the Family & Friends column, but at this writing have no idea when it might be featured. We also thought about sending the 400-plus Freightliner dealers membership applications, but again determined the costs and logistics associated with this effort was not feasible at this time. Taking in to account the number of new members we get from the Freightliner Trailer and the FCCC "Knowing Your Chassis" Seminar at the FMCA get-together, you as a club member are still our best source for recruiting and promoting to non-members the benefits available to our membership. If you would like to have some membership applications to offer those non-members friends or RVers you meet in campgrounds, truck stops, etc., please let me know and I will send you some. Working together can and will make our club better and stronger.

In closing, I wish everyone the very best of health, wealth and happiness, and hope to meet each and every one of you somewhere down the road.

Best regards,

Ron Sliger



### Message from the Senior VP

It has been a busy first quarter. So I will recap. You will notice that the newsletter is a couple of weeks later than it usually is and this was my choice so we could get the FMCA and FCOC rally pictures and recaps into it. There were about 2500 family coaches at the

Perry FMCA rally. We had over 20 coaches going in to the Perry fairgrounds in the caravan lead by Ron Sliger. The FCOC red and white tent was up and very well attended hospitality hours were enjoyed by our members. We did have some rain, but this is Perry and a rally so it is expected.

The caravan information for the Madison, WI summer FMCA rally in August this year is published in this newsletter. So if your going to come in with the caravan just call the number listed and let Ron know you are going to join in so he can get adequate credentials for the caravan.

The FCOC summer rally at the Amana Colonies is going well with the planning. The write up and registration form are also in this newsletter. I will be the rally master and Barb Knutson has signed on to be the assistant rally master again.

We have published in the past that the summer FMCA national rally in 2012 will be held in Indianapolis, IN over the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. The FMCA has informed us that the date may conflict with sponsor shutdowns and some other conflicts. So we don't know at this time if the dates will change or not. That leaves us waiting for a decision by the FMCA before we can pursue a place and time for our summer rally for the 2012 year.

The executive board at a meeting following the Myrtle Beach rally voted to hold a national FCOC spring rally in 2012 in the southwest. With the FMCA not having a rally some of the board members are looking for a location to hold the rally. We will look into holding it in the mid to late March time frame.

While at the Myrtle Beach rally I held an informal seminar that covers our website and some of the Yahoo groups of interest. I usually start the seminar by asking how many have ever been on the website and have logged into the Keeping in Touch to update their personal information. Of the forty or so attending everyone had done so. Very, very good! We are still asking members to read the newsletter off the website, it can also be printed, so we can reduce the cost of the newsletter. The board is asking this so we can use the funds to hold the costs of the rallies to the \$300 dollars or possibly lower per coach that we have been charging for a while. If we save the money on the newsletter we can keep the meals, entertainment, seminars, and the type of facilities the members told us they like and use the saved funds to supplement the rallies.

I would like to thank those of you that have recommended facilities for us to hold rallies and keep them coming. I put them in a file so I can contact them when FMCA rallies come to areas near them.

#### Steve Batorson



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#### Driven By You





I hope your enjoying your summer travels. Based on the record attendance levels, healthy sales and enthusiastic RVers which myself and our sales staff have encountered at several major first quarter shows and rallies, things are looking up for 2011.

For starters, the optimism which energized the industry at the Recreation Vehicle Industry Association's national trade show was on full display at the January 2011 Florida RV Super Show in Tampa: The showcase drew a record attendance of more than 53,000 campers whose interest level was high, and FCCC fielded inquiries on everything from our midsized diesel chassis through the largest tag axles. Several RV OEMs also reported healthy sales that week, yet another signal of a possible RV industry rebound. In February, Family Motor Coach Association's (FMCA's) Southeast Area Rally in Brooksville, Fla., drew 1,127 vehicles and the largest dealer model display in its 30-year history. Upbeat sellers from across the region pointed to increases in bank financing and sales upticks as evidence of a strong interest in the RV lifestyle. At March's FMCA rally in Perry, Ga., 264 commercial vehicles were on hand, and the event brought in another 2,700 family coaches, with total attendance expected to approach the 10,000 visitor mark.

RVers were enthusiastic and fully engaged, as evidenced by attendance at FCCC seminars, visits to our booth and customer interactions through FCCC social media outlet. When FCCC posted photos on its Facebook page, RV Road Trippers, readers responded not only with comments, but with questions and requests for specific pictures or information, generating a lively ongoing discussion.

As we begin the summer months, I hope to continue to see recovery in the economy, increased stability for the motor home industry and better times ahead for all of us.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Safe travels,

Rob Harbin



# *FMCA CORNER*



The merchandise coupon program has been extended for 2011. You will receive one coupon worth \$10.00 from FMCA for each new family or commercial member you recruit. The coupon can be used to purchase merchandise from the FMCA store or for Camping World merchandise. The coupon can also be applied toward the renewal of your FMCA membership.

The "A Dozen Does It" program has been extended for 2011. In conjunction with that each chapter president was sent Five (5) Free Membership Applications to help get us started. When you sign up a new member and get your \$10.00 coupon packet there will be a post card in it. Just put <u>FREIGHTLINER CHASSIS OWNERS CLUB</u> on the line marked chapter and send that card to Ron Sliger, 5261 Palomino Dr., Melbourne, FL 32934.

FMCA will turn 50 on July 20, 2013. An Anniversary Committee has been appointed to formulate plans for FMCA's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

FMCA has selected its venue for the 87<sup>th</sup> National Convention, to be held at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis, Indiana. The dates will be Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, July, 2, 3, 4, and 5, 2012.

Safe Travels and God bless you.

Roy Hopper Roy Hopper, National Director, Freightliner Chassis Owners Club



The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the following recommended slate of candidates for national offices for the 2011-2013 term. Also recommended by way of a signed petition of 50 or more voting membership numbers, submitted through National Senior Vice President/Acting National President Judy Czarsty, is an at-large nomination

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National President Judith (Judy) Czarsty, F79148
Charles M. (Charlie) Schrenkel, L140050 (by petition)

National Senior Vice President Ross Boyer, F268985
Allen Rein, F214273

National Secretary Wilma Jean Alexander, F163804
Vicky Ferrari, F369332

National Treasurer Dan Couch, F290790
Wil Young, F207019

Resumes for these candidates will be published in the June 2011 issue of Family Motor Coaching magazine and will be included with your Governing Board meeting material.

The election will be held at the Governing Board meeting on August 10, 2011, at FMCA's 86<sup>th</sup> Family Reunion & Motorhome Showcase in Madison, Wisconsin. In accordance with the FMCA Bylaws, additional candidates may be nominated by petition no later than May 10<sup>th</sup>, or from the floor at the Governing Board meeting.

IMPORTANT SERVICE NUM-	
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	(800) FTL-
Freightliner 24/7 Help Line	HELP
Freightliner Chassis Corporation	(800) 385-4357
Freightliner Service Center, Gaffney, SC	(864) 206-8613
Caterpillar Engine Support	(800) 447-4986
Cummins Engine Support	(800) 343-7357
Allison Transmission	(800) 524-2303
Michelin Tire	(800) 847-3435
Mercedes Engine Support	(313) 592-4268
Dometic Corporation	(800) 544-4881
Norcold Corporation	(800) 543-1219
Onan Generator	(800) 888-6626
Aqua-Hot Heating	(800) 685-4398
Shurflo	(800) 762-8094
Tiffin Motorhomes Parts/Service	(256) 356-0261

# **Discount Program**



As of this newsletter we have several Oasis Dealers signed up on the discount program. Below is a list of the Dealers' that have signed up for the Discount Program, please go to those Dealers for service. If you have a Dealer in your area that has not signed up, stop by and ask them to sign up.

For those that do not know about the Discount Program this is what it is:

- \* 10% off posted labor rates when getting your coach serviced.
- \* 10% off on back counter parts sales

Remember when going to a Freightliner Dealer that signed up for the program, ask them **first** about the program. Also remember to receive discount you must first identify yourself as a FCOC member when scheduling service. You must have a valid FCOC membership card. See <a href="http://freightlinerchassis.com/Service-Locator/oasis-network/menu-id-95.html">http://freightlinerchassis.com/Service-Locator/oasis-network/menu-id-95.html</a> for a current list of Oasis Dealers

Contact Tom James (916) 870-9322 Business Development VPBD@fcocry.org

#### 37 Oasis Dealers signed up on the Discount Program:

Truck Center of Arkansas North Little Rock, AR. (800) 562 8875

Truck Center of Arkansas Springdale. AR

(800) 495 4551

Delta Truck Center French Camp, CA. (800) 400 4161

Sacramento Truck Sacramento, CA. (800) 485 8311

Southern Connecticut Truck Branford, CT. (800) 448 8480

Orlando Freightliner Apopka, FL. (407) 295 3846

Torn Nehl Truck Lake City, FL. (904) 389 3653

Ocala Freightliner Ocala, FL. (352)840 0070

Truck Center Inc. Morton, IL. (800) 397 4292

Truck Center Inc. Springfield, IL. (800) 786 1280 Truck Country Cedar Rapids (800) 332-6158

Truck County Quad Cities Davenport, IA. (563) 445 5870

Truck Country Decorah, IA. (888) 545 9297

Truck Country Dubuque, IA (800) 553 3642

Kent-Mitchell Bus Hammond, IA. (985) 419 8347

Baltimore Freightliner Baltimore, MD. (410) 685 4474

TSI Western Star North Jackson, OH. (800) 388 3859

Oklahoma Freightliner Oklahoma City, OK. (877) 621 0428

Tulsa Freightliner Tulsa, OK. (918) 445 5300

Fyda Freightliner Canonsburg, PA. (800) 393 2556 Freightliner of Knoxville Knoxville, TN. (865) 824 2400

Amarillo Truck Amarillo, TX. (800) 753 1556

Dallas Freightliner Dallas, TX. (800) 580 2620

Fort Worth Freightliner Fort Worth, TX (800) 580 9101

Truck Country De Forest, WI. (800) 837 7367

River State Truck Eau Claire, WI. (800) 944 5973

Truck Country Kaukauna, WI (800) 236 5271

River State La Crosse, WI (608) 784 1149

Truck Country Marinette, WI. (888) 315 5995

Truck Country Oak Creek, WI. 7800) 236 6061 Truck Country Rothschild, WI. (800) 348 9195

River State Robert, WI. (866) 994 3122

Truck Country Shullsburg, WI. (800) 362 1313

Valley Freightliner Mt. Vernon, WA. (360) 848 0472

Truck Centers Troy, IL. (800) 669 3454

Transwest Truck Trailer

Frederick, CO. (303) 684 3440

Albuquerque Freightliner Albuquerque, NM. (505) 833 1000





#### **AMANA ESCAPE**

Registration Form
(Registration Deadline –July 31, 2011
FCOC Summer Rally - August 14<sup>th</sup> thru 18<sup>th</sup> 2011
Amana Colonies RV Park & Event Center
3890 C Street, P.O. Box 345
Amana, IA 52203



Rally Master: Steve Batorson (520) 444-6772 Asst. Rally Master: Barb Knutson (561) 703-5284

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# FCOC National Summer Rally



We have picked the Amana Colonies RV Park & Event Center to hold our summer rally starting on Sunday August 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:00PM. and ending August 18<sup>th</sup> after breakfast. We will include four nights of camping, and continental breakfast four mornings, and evening hospitality hours, and evening dinners for 4 evenings also. This will be following the FMCA rally being held in Madison, WI. which is about 200 miles away.

Amana Colonies is located just north of I-80 in the state of Iowa very near Iowa City. This is an area rich in German heritage. There are handcrafted products of all kinds. They also are known for the beers they brew and their fine wineries. This time of year will also have the farmers markets full of fresh produce all grown in the local area.

The rally will have the popular events that our members always expect including seminars and Red Hat tea, The Freightliner Trailer and techs will be there also. At this time the entertainment has not been confirmed, but we are working on either a dinner play or a theater group to come to us and do a play during our dinner. We are also looking into some local tours, some are walking and realizing that not all can do that we are trying to offer more than one so we can accommodate everyone in a tour. I have contacted a brew house and a winery to see if they would come to a hospitality hour so we could sample their products and offer them for sale to us at a reduced rate.

All camping site will have 50 amp services with full hook-ups. We will be using two of the building for our meals, and seminars. These meeting facilities are air conditioned for our comfort.

Any question you can call me at 520-444-6772

There is a registration form in this newsletter. We will also have it on our website that you can type in the information and then print it out or you can print it and fill in by hand.

Rally Master Steve Batorson 520-444-6772 SVPfcocrv.org Assistant Rally Master Barb Knutson 561-703-5284 secretaryfcocrv.org

Freightliner Chassis O	wners Club Membership A	pplication
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Manufacturer of Motor Home	Mode	<u> </u>
Year LengthFt. V	IN of Chassis (last six digits)_	
Purchase Date	_ Are you the Original Owner	Yes □ No □
Dues are \$10 a year or \$45 for five ye	ears.	
Send to: Freightliner Corporation c/o FCOC Membership 552 Hyatt Street Gaffney, SC 29341		FREIGHTLINER CHASSIS OWNERS CLUB

FCOC Logo Shirts and Eggs						
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Let US Know!

FCOC BUSINESS MEETING LOCATION

Several years ago based upon input from a questionnaire made available to our membership in the Freightliner Flyer, we moved the location of the FCOC Business Meetings from the FMCA Convention to the FCOC National Rally. The Executive Board is interested in hearing from our members again to hear your preferences on where to have, our Business Meeting.

Please review the option below and send your recommendation to president@fcocrv.org. Type FCOC BUSINESS MEETING LOCATION in the subject line, and indicate your selection. If you do not have internet access, send your recommendation to President, FCOC, 5261 Palomino Drive, Melbourne, FL 32934-7892.

- (A) During the FMCA Convention (No Pizza Party)
- (B) During the FCOC National Rally
- (C) Rotate the Business Meeting between FMCA Convention and FCOC National Rally
- (D) Other (Please specify)
- (E) No preference

Please submit your response no later that 1 July. Results will be announced in the 3rd Quarter Newsletter

## FMCA 85th Family Reunion Rally March 2011 Perry Georgia



"FCOC Tent"



The most Hospitable Place @ the Rally

# "Fun in Myrtle Beach" Ocean Lakes Family Campground March 2011





Rally Master Barbara Knudson and Assistant Rally Master Steve Batorson .....Fun with a Laua!



O.K. Let's see the Hula!



YUM!! Love an Laua!

# A Remembrance of FCOC's Donation







Those that Make a Rally GO!



Special Gift from FCOC to Charity Caring In Our Lifetime!



















Ocean & Palms go together!



#### FREIGHTLINER CHASSIS OWNERS CLUB MEETING MYRTLE BEACH, SC MARCH 21, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm by President Ron Sliger. There were 70 members in attendance. President Sliger asked Mary Costigan to give the invocation, following which Katherine Henley led The Pledge of Allegiance.

FCOC officers in attendance were Senior Vic President/Wagon Master Steve Bartorson, Vice President Membership Mary Costigan, Treasurer/Vice President Webmaster Rick Kennedy, Secretary Barbara Knutson, National Director Roy Hopper, Alternate National Director/ Parliamentarian Joe Costigan, Vice President Business Development Tom James and Vice President Area Operations – West Katherine Henley.

All of our Veterans, First time attendees to a FCOC Rally and Rally Masters and Assistant Rally Masters were asked to stand and received recognition.

President Sliger introduced Tony Sippel who was representing FCCC in place of Bob Harbin.

President Ron Sliger made a general announcement asking members to turn off their cell phone and provide their name when making or seconding a motion.

The minutes from the August 18, 2010 Business Meeting of the FCOC National Rally held at Harrisburg, Oregon were published in the 3<sup>rd</sup>Quarter Newsletter and posted on the web. President Sliger asked if there were any corrections. There being no corrections, the minutes were approved as promulgated.

Rick Kennedy gave the Treasurers Report. The club balance as of December 31, 2010 was \$135,537.77 The full Treasurers Report is attached to the minutes. Motion to accept the Treasurers Report was made by Wanda Trash and seconded by Carol Julian. Motion Passed.

Steve Batorson, Senior Vice President/Wagon Master gave a review of the Ocean Lakes Family Resort. He updated us on the Amana Colonies RV Park, in Amana, Iowa where the rally will be held in August. The FMCA 87<sup>th</sup> Family Reunion and Motorhome showcase will be held at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis, Indiana from July 2 -5, 2012. The FCOC rally location is yet to be determined.

Roy Hopper the National Director reported that Charlie Schrenkel resigned as President due to what he thought was as incurable blood disease. The diagnosis has since been corrected and Mr. Schrenkel is looking forward to a long and healthy life. Judy Czarsty, National Senior Vice President has taken over as Acting President. FMCA hired a new Executive Director who started work on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011. His name is Bradford Koshland. Roy told us that "A Dozen Does It" program has been extended to 2011. FMCA will turn 50 on July 20, 2013 and an Anniversary Committee has been appointed.

Mary Costigan, Vice President Membership gave the following report: Membership processed in the last seven months 848, Renewal Membership 563, New Membership 270, Membership Suspended 61, Membership Renewal w/New Coach 13 and Pay Pal Membership 202. We have a total of 3,314 Active Members.

Tom James, Vice President Business Development is working hard to obtain discounts at Oasis Dealers and Freightliner Truck Dealers for our members. He also, works at getting advertising to help pay for the newsletter.

Katherine Henley, Vice President Area Operations, West, reported that we have had two small rallies since she has taken over the position. A good time was had by all. Katherine is looking for volunteers to help run rallies and asked for any suggestion. (contined on page 16)

#### Business Meeting continued from page 15 ~

Gerry DeHeer, Chairman of the Nominating Committee was not present so Barbara Knutson gave the Report. The Nominating Committee submits the following report: President – Ron Sliger, Secretary – Barbara Knutson, Vice President Membership – Mary Costigan, VicePresident Webmaster – Rick Kennedy, Vice President Area Operations-West – Katherine Henley and Alternate National Director – Joe Costigan. If anyone wishes to nominate a candidate from the floor, they may do so at the August Business Meeting. Each office will be voted on separately.

Parliamentarian – Joe Costigan reported that proposed changes to The Bylaws and Standing Rules were not published in the first quarter Newsletter for consideration, which did not give the needed 30 days notice, so all changes will be presented to the membership at the Amana Colonies RV Park Business Meeting.

There was no old business carried over from the Harrisburg, Oregon.

#### New Business:

Gerry Deheer, the Chairman of the Nominating Committee is stepping down as Chairman, but is remaining as a member of the Committee to replace Barbara Knutson who resigned. We need a volunteer to replace Barbara on the Committee. If any anyone is interested please see Ron Sliger after the meeting.

President Sliger reported that we are required to conduct an audit of the Treasurer's book annually. If you have a background in Accounting, have experience in the conduct of a financial audit, and would like to volunteer, please contact Rick Kennedy after the meeting.

Is there any additional new business

Jeanne Wheeler talked about the newsletter and going on line for all newsletters. Some people do not have e-mail.

A motion was made by Al Vigil and seconded by Ernie Ward to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 pm. Motion passed. President Sliger then announced that the next Business Meeting will be held at Amana Colonies RV Park, in Amana, Iowa in August 2011. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Barbara Knutson Secretary

#### Upcoming Western Area Rally

California 2nd Halloween Costume Party
Oct. 27th 28th 29th 2011
In Bakersfield, CA.
Limited to 50 motorhomes
Put your name on the list now
More information in next Newsletter!

Contact Tom James



# Treasurer Report Freightliner Chassis Owners Club Revenue and expenses January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010



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•	Revenues							
	Membership Dues		\$ 32,	347	.00			
	Newsletter Contribution			\$	300.00			
	Interest Income			\$	565.60			
	Freightliner (Stipend)			\$	600.00			
	Merchandise Sales		\$ 2	,718	.00			
	Miscellaneous			\$	30.18			
•	Total Operation Income						\$36,56	51.18
	Rally Income	\$ 46,964.00						
	Freightliner (Dinners & Piz	za \$ 15,000.0	0					
•	Total Rally Income						\$61,96	54.00
•	Total Revenue						\$98,5	25.00
•	Expenses						•	
	Newsletter			\$ 2	22,915.60			
	Travel Expenses			\$	8,425.15			
	Office Expense			\$	2,601.24			
	Membership Expense			\$	1,732.78			
	FCOC Tent			\$	1,299.10			
	Miscellaneous			\$	2,409.74			
•	Total Operating Expenses				,		\$39,38	33.61
	- Rallies & FMCA			\$ 4	19,756.84		. ,	
•	Total Expenses			·	,		\$89,1	40.45
•	Summary						. ,	
	Cash as of 12/31/2009			\$1	26,153.04			
	Gain / (loss)			\$	9,384.73			
	Cash as of 12/31/2010			\$1	35,537.77			
•	Pre-Paid Rally Fees			\$	7,500.00			
•	Pre-paid Dues			\$	37,269.00			
•	Available Cash				90,768.77			
•	Other Assets				·			
	- Receivables							
	Membership	\$ 15	0.00					
	FCCC	\$ 6,97	70.00					
	- Total Receivables						\$ 7,12	20.00
	- Inventory							
	Shirts—(168)	\$ 2,43	39.42					
	Plaques—(163)	\$ 3,05						
	Holders—(26)		30.00					
•	Total Inventory					\$ 5,6	520.78	
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Family Motor Coach Association Chapter Bylaws for the Freightliner Chassis Owners Club

#### • Proposed **Bylaw** Changes:

- ARTICLE IV—CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION, Item 3 CHAPTER MEETINGS, paragraph 2: Change first sentence to read: "The Chapter must hold at least one (1) business meeting each fiscal year at which a quorum is present."
- ARTICLE IV—CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION, Item 3 CHAPTER MEETINGS, paragraph 3: Change last sentence to read "Chapter officers will assume their duties on the day following election.
- ARTICLE IV CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION, Item 5 MAINTAINING AFFILIATION, paragraph 2: Change sentence to read"......and assurance that at least one (1) business meeting was held during the fiscal year."
- ARTICLE V—ELECTIONS. Add new Item 3 BYLAWS AND STANDING RULES COMMITTEE. Insert following duties for the Item:(paragraph 1.) "The Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee shall consist of not less than three(3) Chapter members in good standing, nominated and elected by the Chapter membership." (Paragraph 2. "Membership on the Committee shall not prohibit that person from being nominated for an elected office." (Paragraph 3.) "Duties of the Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee are outlined in FCOC SR ARTICLE XVII- COMMITTEES."
- ARTICLE VI—OFFICERS, Item 2 TERM OF OFFICE, paragraph 3, first sentence. Following "Alternate National Director" and in front of "shalloccur" insert "and Vice President Webmaster"
- ARTICLE VI—OFFICERS, Item 2 TERM OF OFFICE, paragraph 6, Delete entire paragraph which starts with "An interim order of procedure ......." and replace with: if the Senior Vice President is unable or willing to assume the duties of the President, the Executive Board shall convene and appoint a Board member to serve until an election can be held."
- ARTICLE VI—OFFICERS, Item 4 EXECUTIVE BOARD. Add new paragraph 5 to read: "The Executive Board may conduct special meetings when called for by a majority of Board members or the President. The time, location and specifics will be provided in advance of the meeting to all members, and may be conducted by telephone or video conference methods."

#### • Proposed **Standing Rules** Changes:

TABLE OF CONTENTS, Page i, FCOC SR ARTICLE VII– STAFF OFFICERS. Add item E Vice President Webmaster ARTICLE IX– SUPPORTING STAFF MEMBERS. Add item H Parliamentarian

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FCOC SR ARTICLE IV—BUSINESS MEETINGS. Delete second sentence in its entirety.

- FCOC SR ARTICLE VI—DUTIES OF OFFICERS. Item 'A' PRESIDENT, add paragraph 10: "The President is responsible for maintaining the Club Standing Rules and Bylaws."
- FCOC SR ARTICLE VI—DUTIES OF OFFICERS. Item 'A' PRESIDENT, add paragraph 11: "Arrange and attend the Annual Chapter Fair at FMCA International Conventions."
- FCOC SR ARTICLE VI—Duties of Officers item 'B' Delete The Senior Vice President is responsible for maintaining the club Standing Rules.
- FCOC SR ARTICLE VII-STAFF OFFICERS. Item 'C' VICE PRESIDENT MEMBERSHIP, change paragraph 9 to read: "Mail out welcome letters together with a membership card and copy of the latest Freightliner Flyer to new members."
- FCOC SR ARTICLE VII– STAFF OFFICERS. Item 'C' VICE PRESIDENT MEMBERSHIP, delete paragraphs 10 and 11 in their entirety.
- FCOC SR ARTICLE VII—STAFF OFFICERS. Item 'D' VICE PRESIDENT NEWSLETTER EDITOR, paragraph 1, first sentence. Following "established by the "and in front of "President" insert Senior Vice".

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- FCOC SR ARTICLE VII—STAFF OFFICER. Item 'D' VICE PRESIDENT NEWSLETTER EDITOR, change paragraph 4 to read: "Publish minutes of Business meeting(s) containing the Treasurer report together with all changes to FCOC Bylaws and Standing Rules approved by the membership.
- FCOC SR ARTICLE VII—STAFF OFFICERS. Item 'D' VICE PRESIDENT NEWSLETTER EDITOR, delete paragraph 5 in its entirety.
- FCOC SR ARTICLE VII—STAFF OFFICERS. Add item 'E' VICE PRESIDENT WEBMASTER. Insert the following duties for the item: (Paragraph 1.) "Maintain the Chapter Web Site (<a href="www.fcocrv.org">www.fcocrv.org</a>) current and up to date. (Paragraph 2.) "Make available to all Chapter members, a downloadable file of the current Chapter Bylaws and the Chapter Standing Rules. The recommended file format is a PDF file." (Paragraph 3.) "Provide a posting of both the current and past copies of the FCOC Newsletter." (Paragraph 4.) "Subject to the approval of the Senior Vice President, responsible for sending out bulk email communications to the membership.
- FCOC SR ARTICLE VIII— AREA COORDINATORS. Paragraph 1. add "(East and West)" to the end of first sentence. FCOC SR ARTICLE VIII— AREA COORDINATORS. Paragraph 8,line 5. Following "...Freightliner" and in front of "....they will be charged ... add" or a Daimler product), ......"
- FCOC SR ARTICLE IX—SUPPORTING STAFF MEMBERS, Item 'C' CARAVAN LEADER, add paragraph 3 as follows: "Note: If the Caravan Leader is not available to plan for or lead the Caravan into the FMCA International Convention, notify the FCOC President. The FCOC President will coordinate with the FMCA regarding caravan scheduling and will arrange for a replacement Caravan Leader."
- FCOC SR ARTICLE IX—SUPPORTING STAFF MEMBERS, Add Iten 'H' PARLIMENTARIAN, (paragraph 1) As prescribed by FCOC Bylaws Article IV—Chapter Administration, the rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern this Chapter, and in cases to which they are applicable and are not inconsistent with the constitution and Bylaws of the FMCA and this Chapter. (Paragraph 2) The Parliamentarian will be appointed by the President and will be a non-voting member. (Paragraph 3) The right to vote is limited to the members who are present in a meeting during the time a vote is actually taken. Therefore, even if the vote is unanimous (1) rules cannot be suspended to give a right to vote to a nonmember, (2) Cumulative voting is prohibited, (3) absentee voting is prohibited, and (4) the majority rules, but only after providing for the minority to be heard.
- Add FCOC SR ARTICLE XVII—CO<<ITTEES. Insert following duties for the Item: (Paragraph 1.) "The Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee initiates and/or consider all proposed changes, additions, deletions, or revisions to FCOC Bylaws and Standing Rules. The Committee also considers and reports on matters that have a bearing on regulatory or procedural matters that affect FCOC as aCHapter." (Paragraph 2.) The Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee shall consist of not less than three (3) Chapter members in good standing, nominated and elected by the Chapter membership." (Paragraph 3.) "The Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee shall select one of its members as Committee Chairperson." (Paragraph 4.) "PROCEDURES" (subparagraph 4a.) "The committee reviews and considers all proposed changes submitted by Active Members and or Executive Board, in writing, and will present proposed amendments to the Executive Board for its review, discussion and comment." (subparagraph 4b.) " Proposed amendments to the Bylaw and Standing Rules shall be received in writing by the President no later than 30 days preceding the next Executive Board Meeting at which they are to be discussed." (subparagraph 4c.) "Following discussion and decision of the Executive Board, the Chairman of the Bylaws Committee will submit proposed changes to the Senior Vice President for inclusion in the next upcoming newsletter, and Vice President Webmasters for posting on the club Website. This action will ensure proper notification to the membership prior to the next Business Meeting and comply with FCOC Bylaws Article VIII. All changes not approved by the Executive Board will be returned to the Chairman Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee." (subparagraph 4d.) "The Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee may make corrections to the Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee may make corrections to the Bylaws and Standing Rules for the sole purpose of eliminating or correcting clerical or typographical errors without prior notice. Such changes will be announced in the quarterly newsletter and on the club website." (subparagraph 4e.) "The committee shall review all chapter Bylaes to ensure conformance with FMCA."

#### ~WE WOULD LIKE YOUR FEEDBACK~

Phil Arnold, Original Equipment Product Engineer, Michelin North America, Inc. has written two articles lately that appeared in our 3rd and 4th quarter newsletters. It would be appreciated if our members would provide direct feedback to Phil at <a href="mailto:phil.arnold@us.michelin.com">phil.arnold@us.michelin.com</a>, with a copy to me at <a href="mailto:president@fcocrv.org">president@fcocrv.org</a> regarding the information in the two articles. As our Michelin Representative, Phil is interested in learning how useful you found the article, if you have become more aware of safety issues surrounding your tires especially where tire matching was involved, temperature effects on tires, and remote pressure sensing systems. If you have any recommendations regarding future articles from Phil, please let him know.

#### Dear Members of FCOC;

Well here it is the end of March, and it appears as if we survived the winter. It has been quite a year for some real bad weather. I hope that all of you survived the storms and heavy rains and snow, Wow this is Texas and we had snow. What a mess. In most northern cities, all that you have to be aware of is the TAXI cabs. You all know how to drive on snow and Ice. In Texas, we have to be aware of other Texas drivers and the TAXI cabs. We either don't know how to drive on slippery roads or we forgot how. Either way it is hold on and stay off the roads. My usual comment is "Dear Lord, help that driver get control; and not hit me" and this usually works. We know ASAP.

The Health issues have been very quiet, Mr. George Becker had shoulder surgery and he is doing well and recovering rapidly. Now back in Texas with family. I have not heard of any others that have had issues of health and for that I am grateful to the Lord above that we are taking care of ourselves.

While I am writing this note the awful tragedy in Japan is on every TV station with a continual update on those lost or killed in this disaster. We should all pray for the families and loved ones of those lost or killed. Please keep these people in your prayers because they need all the help they can get. You know me; I know that Prayer Power Works. For the last month or two, there has been rioting and fighting in some Mid-eastern countries, for all kinds of reasons. Let us also pray for the stopping of this fighting.

We also have a problem in our country. We will all be affected by the new laws on Obamacare and we again have to pray for our political system and leaders. Hopefully with our prayers, and notes from us, to our representatives. The right decisions will be made for the good of us all.

To all that will be driving now and thru the summer, be careful and put our Lord right beside you, for your safe travels. Have confidence to know that if he brought you to it he will bring you through it.

May the good Lord bless you and keep you. From Dottie and me, we look forward to hearing from you and being at the next FCOC rally.

Refer to Ecclesiasiastes 12; 1-13 Solomon's wisdom on aging.

God Bless and have a Happy Easter

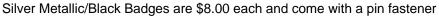
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Check the web site for the latest information on upcoming Rallies <a href="http://www.fcocrv.org">http://www.fcocrv.org</a>

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