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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone had a happy holiday season. It seems to come around a lot faster than it did when I was younger.

With that in mind I want to bring to your attention that our FCOC rally schedule for this year is filling up fast. So that you have a chance to arrange yours, here is a list of the rallies that we are affiliated with this year.

Steve Batorson

President

The list of rallies that our club will either host or the FMCA will host is as follows:

SE area rally at the Tampa super show held Jan 15th-20th, FCOC National rally Quartzsite, AZ Jan. 16th-20th, FMCA International Area rally will be held in Tucson Mar 9th-13th, FCOC Pre rally to the FMCA convention, will be held in Colorado Springs, CO June 11th - 13th, The FMCA 88th Family reunion in Gillette, WY will be held June 19th-22nd, FCOC Summer rally in Sturgis, SD will be held June 24th-29th, and finally FCOC NW area rally in Coos Bay, OR will be held Aug 4th-7th. So hopefully you can catch one or more of these rallies during the year.

I want to bring up again that we are trying to keep our databases as accurate as we can. In the last month alone we had about 200 e-mail addresses that bounced when we tried to let members know about the newsletter being on the website. I know members do change their internet providers and e-mail addresses from time to time. If you are one of those who have changed yours, don't forget to change your e-mail address with us in your profile. You can do this yourself using the updating instructions that Dave Violette, our webmaster has written about in this newsletter. I ask that you either update it yourself, or if you cannot or don't remember your password you can contact me either on the club phone or by e-mail and I will reset your password, or you can give me the e-mail address and I will change the record for you.

Another subject I would like to discuss is our membership. Our membership growth numbers have been steady all year long, thanks to the sales of new motorhomes being up. We had a real bubble of members expiring in the last quarter (452) and especially in December of last year. We have sent out a reminder if you are one of these expiring either by e-mail if that was your choice, or on the front of the printed newsletter. You should have a note in red ink telling you that either your membership will or has expired.

If you run into someone in a campground tell them about us. Since we are a social club it isn't hard to do. Throw in the discount benefits and it's a no brainer.

The more members we have the more the more businesses want to talk to us about giving more discounts.

Lastly I want to thank the executive board for all the work they have preformed this year, and to our members that have brought forward some ideas that we can act on to make the club better for all. Keep them coming.

I hope to see you at one of the rallies down the road this year.

Steve Batorson

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# Message from the Senior Vice President



It is hard to believe that another year has come to an end. I hope everyone had a nice Holiday and would like to wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year.

We had some great rallies this year, both National and Area. I would like to thank all the Volunteers who help to make these rallies a success. Without your help, it would be impossible to put on a rally. As always we are looking for Rally Masters and Assistant Rally Masters. If you would like to try it, we would work with you to show you what to do. THINK ABOUT IT, IT IS A LOT OF FUN.

In 2013 we have some fun stuff planned. January, we will have out National Winter Rally in Quartzsite, AZ. Tom James, Rally Master has a lot of activities planned.

Also, in January Kathy and Roy Hopper will hold an area Rally at the Super Show in Tampa. The Summer National Rally will be held in Sturgis, SD after the FMCA Convention in WY. We have a wonderful bus trip planned (it will cost you \$20.00 per person) and other exciting things. Study up on your Bad Lands; we are having a Trivia Contest one night.

There will be other Area Rallies during the year we will keep you posted throughout the year.

In 2014 FMCA will be going back to Perry, Ga., if you know of any good campground in the area, for our FCOC Rally, please let us know. We will go as far as 150 miles from Perry. Trying to keep it within a day drive. More to come.

Again I wish you a Happy and Health New Year.

-Barbara Knutson

- 🙀 Roy Hopper National Director
- 🖈 Tom James Vice President Business Director
- ☆ Barbara Knutson Senior Vice President/Treasurer

## MEMBERSHIP

# NEWSLETTER



Please look at your label on the front of this newsletter to see if your membership is about to expire. We send out reminders at least 2 months in advance of your expiration, both by email and by mail, to provide adequate time to renew your membership.

To access by internet, visit the website at http://www.FCOCRV.org. You have the ability to conveniently renew your membership using our secure site on PayPal found by clicking MEMBERSHIP. You may also update your membership and personal information within the section MEMBER PROFILE.

**PLEASE NOTE:** If you are logging on for the first time, your FMCA number and your 5 digit zip code will log you right into the site.

You may REQUEST to have our newsletter delivered by EMAIL, especially if you travel frequently, or if your mail is forwarded more than once a year. You will receive the newsletter earlier than those mailed, and you don't have to have them pile up in your motorhome. You will receive an email when the newsletter is ready to be viewed. Recent previous issues of Freightliner Flyer are available for viewing (and to print out) on the website. For those of you who DO NOT have email, please make sure we have your correct mailing address. We are experiencing a large number of newsletters returned. Time, money and postage rates are affected when they are undeliverable.

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US DO A BETTER JOB OF GETTING FCOC IMPORTANT NEWS AND CURRENT UPDATES TO YOU!

WE WANT YOU TO 'BE IN THE KNOW'.



#### Freightliner Chassis Owners Club Membership Application

Date:				
Rene	ewal	New Member		
**FMCA # **Applicant	must be a current	OR FMCA App member of FMCA or ha	plication Date we applied for FMC	'A Membership.
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Are you the	original owner	□ Yes □	No	
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Dues are \$1	0.00 per Year or 5	Years for \$45.00 US Do	ollars	
Send to:	Freightliner Co c/o FCOC 552 Hyatt St Gaffney, SC, 29 (864) 487-1700	-		

# 12TH INTO AREA RALLY TUCSON FILST

MARCH 20-24, 2013 Lazydays RV CAMPGROUND TUCSON, ARIZONA

#### **RALLY HIGHLIGHTS**

4 Nights (amping • ALL Sites Full Service • Cable & WiFi
3 Breakfasts & 2 Dinners • New & Used (oaches
Expert Motorhome Repairs • Seminars • Roundtable Discussions
Commercial Vendors • Flea Markets • Aircraft Boneyard
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#### **EVENING ENTERTAINMENT**

Mariachi Band · Country Western Band Night · Jazz Band Night

LAZYDAYS IS OFFERING A 10% DISCOUNT TO ANY ATTENDEE THAT HAS REPAIRS PERFORMED ON THEIR COACH.

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INTO Area Rally Registration Form  Permanent changes to membership files cannot be made from this form.								
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Last Name:	Pilot's Name:		Co-Pilot's Name:					
Address:				City:		State:	Zip:	
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Are You Parking With a Chapter?	O Yes O No	If Yes, Which Chapt	er:					
1. Guest/Child's Name/Age:			2. G	uest/Child's Name/	√ge:			
	Early Bird	After 2/19/13	Qty.	Total	Payme	nt Informa	tion	
Coach with 2 Adults	\$225.00	\$ 250.00		\$		Make checks payable in U.S. funds to: Lazydays Mail to: Lazydays		
Coach with 1 Adult	\$200.00	\$ 225.00		\$				
Each Additional Guest	\$ 35.00	\$ 45.00		\$		Attention: INTO Area Rally 5151 S. Country Club		
Children 12 & Under	FREE	FREE		FREE		Tucson, AZ 85706		
Non-FMCA Member (Add)	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00		\$		Place Your Credit Card Registrations		
Ladies Luncheon	adies Luncheon \$ 12.00			\$	By Fa	By Phone: 800-306-4067 By Fax: (520) 799-3712		
Lazydays Dinner – March 21*	\$12/person	\$12/person		\$	Ontir	Online: http://lazydays.com/ explore-lazydays/		
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Jerry Ayres: (913) 306-1442 • INTOSRVP@aol.com						a \$15 processing	ı fee.	

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# FMCA'S 88TH FAMILY REUNION & MOTORHOME SHOWCASE JUNE, 19-22, 2013 CAM-PLEX MULTI-EVENTS FACILITIES GILLETTE, WYOMING REGISTRATION DEADLINE JUNE 7, 2013 After this date registrations will only be taken at the Holding Area. The Holding Area in Gillette will open on Sunday, June 16, 2013, at 7 a.m.

#### **GILLETTE REGISTRATION FORM**

• Seminars • Exhibits • Display Coaches • Coffee & Donuts • Ice Cream Social • Movie Night • Tours • Entertainment • Ladies Social • Games

MEMBER # (non-member additional \$50)	LAST NAME			
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ADDRESS (CONFIRMATIONS WILL BE SEI	NT HERE)			
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REGISTRATION FEES	FMCA MEMBER			PAYMENT			
See reverse side for parking descriptions mailing procedures, parking procedures and additional handicapped information.	Early Bird	After 4/29/13	AMOUNT	INFORMATION  Make checks payable to Family			
Registration Fee	\$165	\$195		Motor Coaching, Inc. in U.S.			
* Additional Fee for 30-amp Electric only	\$170	\$170		funds. All major credit cards accepted.			
* Additional Fee for 50-amp Electric only	\$215	\$215		CARD NUMBER			
Passport- 2 people: No overnight parking	\$155	\$180		EXPIRATION DATE			
Coach with 1 person deduct \$20	- \$20	- \$20					
Additional Fee for Non-FMCA Member	\$50	\$50		SIGNATURE REQUIRED FOR CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS  RETURN TO:			
Each Additional Guest	\$25	\$25		FMCA Events Department			
		TOTAL AMOUNT DUE		8291 Clough Pike Cincinnati, OH 45244			
* Additional Fee is for electric only. Limited additional serv	-	vailable upon	arrival.				
PLEASE INDICATE YOUR PARKING PREFE		`amaratar		No Generator □ General			
☐ Handicap † ☐ Handicap Full Generator ☐ Families with Children ☐ Governing Board	☐ Past National Officer			Current Committee Member			
<sup>†</sup> A copy of your state issued handicap certificate must be sent to the National Office. Handicap information on back must be filled out to receive handicap or handicap electric parking.							
GUEST 19 years and younger and/or immediate family are free, others are \$25 each.							

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#### ☐ PLEASE CONTACT US REGARDING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ☐ PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING IN A TOWABLE

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

Refunds will be made only upon written request and only if request is received by June 7, 2013. Badges and confirmation materials must be returned with cancellation request. All cancelled registrations are subject to a \$10 handling fee. Electric cancelled on or prior to April 29, 2013, will be refunded in full; electric cancelled after April 29, 2013, and on or before June 7, 2013, will be refunded at 50%. Absolutely no refunds for electric cancelled after June 7, 2013.

REGISTER BY Mail • Phone 800-543-3622 | 513-474-3622 • Fax 800-543-4717 | 513-474-2332 • Online www.fmca.com

#### PARKING DESCRIPTIONS

**CARAVANS** – Scheduled caravans of 10 coaches or more will be parked on Monday and Tuesday, June 17 and 18, 2013. Caravan leaders please call 800-543-3622 to schedule an arrival time.

**GENERAL PARKING** – Use of generator is only permitted from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

**HANDICAPPED PARKING\*\*** – Reserved for those with qualifying medical needs. Limited space. First registered/first served basis. Use of generator is only permitted from 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

HANDICAPPED W/ELECTRIC\*\* – Reserved for those with qualifying medical needs who must operate equipment relative to treatment of their condition. Limited space. First registered/first served basis. Electric available at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, June 18, 2013, until 9 a.m. on Sunday, June 23, 2013. (electric fees apply)

FULL GENERATOR - Generator permitted 24 hours per day.

NO GENERATOR - Space is limited.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN - Generator 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. only.

PASSPORT CAR PARKING – Includes entertainment, exhibits and seminars. No overnight parking on event property. Passport coaches cannot be accommodated at the fairgrounds. Passport car parking will be open only until 11 p.m., June 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, 2013. Public parking will be open only during exhibit hours, June 19, 20, 21, and 22, 2013.

Parking will be located at the CAM-PLEX. Parking will be at the discretion of the parkers.



#### HANDICAPPED OR HANDICAPPED ELECTRIC PARKING

You Must Complete The Information Below In Order To Be Considered

☐ Enclosed

NAME	MEMBER NO.
NAME OF DISABLED PERSON IN COACH	
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DISABILITY (OPTIONAL)	
My state issued handicap certificat	e is: □ On File

This information will be shared solely with on-site emergency service personnel to better prepare them in case of a medical emergency.

\*\* A copy of your state issued handicap certificate must be sent to the national office. Your confirmation package cannot be mailed until certificate is received.

#### MAILING AND PARKING PROCEDURES FOR ALL PARKING AREAS

FMCA will begin mailing confirmations as soon as April 15, 2013. Mailed confirmations will contain "date of entry" credentials. Mailed registrations received after June 7, 2013, will be held and processed as gate registrations.

If it is impossible for you to furnish an address for receipt of your confirmation material, they will be held for you at Will Call located at the official Holding Area from 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sunday, June 16, through Wednesday, June 19.

Registered family members will be assigned parking dates of Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday; June 17, 18, and 19, 2013. Families should arrive at the convention on the date stated on their "date of entry" credentials. If you arrive at the convention on a date following your assigned date of entry, you may have to wait in the Holding Area to be parked.

Families registering on-site will be parked on June 19, between noon and 5 p.m.

If you have friends or relatives with whom you would like to park, make plans now to register with them. Families who register together and mail their registration forms to FMCA in the same envelope are guaranteed to receive identical "date of entry" credentials. You must arrive together to park together.

Family Reunion parking is considered any lot secured by FMCA. Members of FMCA's parking crew will be in the Holding Area from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. to park coaches. Tram service to all parking areas will be available beginning Tuesday, June 18.

If you are traveling as an individual, a group, or a caravan, confirmation "date of entry" credentials must be displayed on your motorhome to facilitate your entry into the grounds.

All members are asked to display their membership number on their coach or in their windshield.

#### **EARLY ARRIVALS**

If you arrive prior to your date of admittance, as identified on your "date of entry" credential, dry camping will be available beginning on Sunday, June 16, in the Holding Area.



Games

#### OP West Pre Gillette Rally Registration Deadline – May1,2013

June 11,12 & 13, 2013 Mountaindale RV Resort 2000 Barrett Road Colorado Springs, CO 80926

Rally Master: Katherine Henley 214-704-2437



Lots of fellowship

Beautiful Area		Caravan to the Royal Gorge
FMCA #:		
Pilot:		
Last Name	First Name	Nickname for Badge
Co-Pilot: Last Name	First Name	Nickname for Badge
Will you have a guest(s) attending the rally	? If so, name(s) and age	_
Address:		
City:	ST	Zip Code:
Primary Phone #:	Cell Phone #	l:
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To see more about Mountaindale RV Resor http://www.mountaindalecampground.com/		
	225 for FCOC Price based d 1 breakfast in a bag for e ail Registrations to FCOC	on 2 per coach: campsite 3 nights full ach person.

FCOC
C/O Katherine Henley
1901 West Highway 287 Business
Waxahachie, TX 75165

Date Received:	Confirmation Sent:	





#### **FUN IN THE BLACK HILLS**

Registration Deadline – June 5, 2013

FCOC Summer Rally
June 24<sup>th</sup> – June 28<sup>th</sup> 2012
Elkview Campground
13014 Pleasant Valley Road
Sturgis, South Dakota



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

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#### Dave's Message

**Description:** We've made a major change to how your Member Profile is handled and what info we can store for you. You still use the same login (your FMCA number) and password as before.

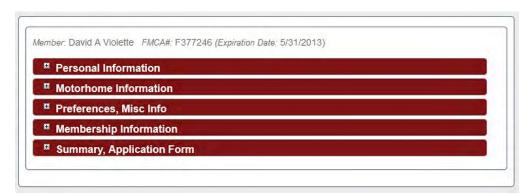


Figure 1You will see five main sections for the new Member Profile screen

What used to be called "Keep in Touch" has been renamed as "Member Profile", and now gives you a chance to improve how the Freightliner Chassis Owners Club can communicate with you. We encourage you to check out the information on file for you and your copilot and go back as needed to update that info.

You start by going to Membership on the menu, then select Update Member Profile. You will be asked to log in using your FMCA number - it will not let you forget to include the letter in front of the numbers - and the same password you used with the old system.

You be shown a screen that has your name, FMCA#, and expiration date and five main sections indicated by section headers. You can work in any of the sections in any order that you wish, and you save your changes section by section. And you can go back to any section even after you have left it. Simply click on the text in the header bar or the + sign symbol to open or close a section.

#### **Personal Information**

This is where the most changes have been made. For one, you can now provide a seasonal address and let us know the starting and stopping dates for using that address. Any printed material will be sent to whichever address is active at the time of mailing. About three-fourths of the way down the form you will see a radiobutton choice to indicate if you only have one address or also have a seasonal address.

We have provided for you to give us your birthday, so we can perhaps send greetings or other communication appropriate for birthdays. You can give us just month and day, but can also provide the year if you wish.

In addition to your email address we also allow you to provide a Twitter address, a Facebook address, a Google+ address, a Skype address, and an address for your personal web site or blog. Though not used now, some of these may be used in the future.

#### Dave's Message continued

#### **Motorhome Information**

We still collect the same information about your motorhome and its ownership.

#### **Preferences, Misc Info**

We still ask about whether you are interested in serving in FCOC leadership, rally master, and helping at rallies. Now we also give you a checklist of skills you would make available to the club similar to what has been on membership application forms. But now you can update this at any time in Member Profile.

We still ask if you wish to receive electronic communications from us and whether you wish to receive the quarterly Freightliner Flyer newsletter electronically or by mail. We strongly encourage members to receive this electronically because it saves us an immense cost.

Those who have an email address on file know that you have received more frequent emailings recently, and we expect this to continue. We will be revamping our emailing system soon as well. You can choose whether to receive these emails when they are issued or to only receive a weekly or monthly summary.

#### **Membership Information**

This section is read-only, and shows you information about your membership such as your membership history (when you joined and when you last visited your Member Profile), your dues status, and your membership classification and status.

#### Summary, Application Form

The final section lets you download a Member Data Form that shows all the information you have recorded. You can save this PDF file and/or print it for your records.

There is also a Submit button which you can use to send an updated Member Date Form to the club officers for their records.

#### **Benefits to FCOC**

Among the benefits to FCOC with the new system is that the club now has better control over the membership database and can more easily (and less expensively) make changes to the system and what information can be stored. This flexibility will be used in the future to offer new features or services to our members.





#### **Driven By You**

**DECEMBER 6, 2012** 

Hello All,

As we find ourselves asking almost every December, where did the year go? Between a great season of travel, rallies and last month's RVIA trade show, 2012 has flown by. We hope everyone in the RV community enjoyed an abundance of quality time camping and sharing the road with friends and family.

In addition to a year spent traveling the country and meeting owners at RV shows and rallies, the FCCC team was busy back at our headquarters in Gaffney as well.

As many of you know, we promoted Tony Sippel, a familiar face in the FCCC booth, to director of sales and marketing. Tony has been with FCCC since 1996, and was our RV and commercial bus product manager. That role now belongs to John Paul Davis – and if you should meet him in person, he goes by JP. He joined us in 1996 as a design engineer in the RV group.

We continued to improve and develop our products, rolling out the Virtual Technician feature on our DD13 engine in the SL Series chassis, and engineered an upgraded version of our front engine diesel MC chassis with air brakes and a full air ride suspension. We also challenged ourselves to broaden our suite of owner services and customer outreach through efforts like our "how-to" YouTube videos.

Our team commitment to industry-leading technology and improved customer service, along with the support and loyalty of our owners, are big reasons why we have continued to build on our market share. According to the most recent Stat Survey results, FCCC now holds 65 percent of the Class A diesel market share. Sincere thanks to all of our owners who offer us feedback and tell others about life in a motorhome built on an FCCC chassis.

Of course, we're never content to sit still, and we're already hard at work on moving forward in 2013. We've got plenty in store, and a busy show schedule which begins Jan. 9-13 at the FMCA Western Area Rally in Indio, California.

Hermisia and I wish you and your families the best of holidays, and a new year of safe travel and amazing experiences. We look forward to seeing you on the road!

Best regards,

Bob





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#### Some Late Notes On Upcoming Rallies

I have some updates on some of the rallies and want to get it to all in this newsletter.

There is a registration in this newsletter for a Pre FMCA rally. Katherine Henley has put together a rally that will be help before the big FMCA convention. It will be held in Colorado Springs June 11th, 12th and 13th. There will be more information in the next quarter newsletter.

There will be a FCOC Western area rally to be held in Coos Bay, OR. Tom James is working out all the final details. We do know the dates are set for Aug. 4th-7th. Again more information will follow in the next newsletter.

FMCA Caravan: I have an entry time for the FCOC caravan group to go into the FMCA convention. Our time for entry is Monday June 17th at 9:15am. As of right now I believe that we will meet in the holding area of the complex and then be escorted to our place for parking. I have talked to the crew and if we notify them when you arrive that you are with our group they will stage us together. This applies to those of us that want to come in a day early also. We will be held in a group and can spend the night until our time to move to the permanent spots. This will be confirmed and updated in the next newsletter.

Steve Batorson

# Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation (FCCC) Names Anthony Sippel Director of Sales and Marketing

# Congratulations to Tony on his promotion. Many of our members know Tony from meeting him at one of our, or FMCA rallies.

Oct 16, 2012

GAFFNEY, S.C. – Oct. 16, 2012 – Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation (FCCC) has named Anthony Sippel its director of sales and marketing. He will oversee FCCC product planning, sales programs, marketing communications and RV dealer relations.

Tony joined FCCC in 1996 as a senior design engineer in chassis engineering and was appointed senior technical sales manager in 2002, working closely with FCCC's RV original equipment manufacturers. Since 2005, he has served as FCCC's RV and commercial bus product manager.

"Tony has excelled in every role he has filled at FCCC, from chassis design and product management to maintaining key relationships with our partners and customers," said FCCC president Bob Harbin. "His range of experience, expertise across our product lines and understanding of our customers' needs are invaluable assets, and his leadership will continue to strengthen Freightliner Custom Chassis and benefit our end-users."

Tony earned his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering technology at Purdue University.

Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation manufactures premium chassis for the motorhome, delivery walk-in van, and school bus and shuttle bus markets. Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation is a subsidiary of Daimler Trucks North America LLC, a Daimler company.

#### **FCOC-SEA RALLY**

Halloween Party Oct. 24-28, 2012 Brunswick, Georgia



The rally group in front of the Freightliner trailer



Lunch at the fabulous Jekyll Island Club Hotel



#### Halloween Costume Party

We had 15 rigs attend our October Halloween Party. There were seminars by Allison, Cummins, and Freightliner. We had a wonderful lunch at the Jekyll Island Club Hotel followed by a guided tram tour of the Jekyll Island historic district, including the homes of the rich and famous at the turn of the century. Other activities included a Yankee Swap, card bingo and a ladies' ice cream social that was so much fun! The rally concluded with a catered dinner & Halloween costume party.

Roy and Kathy Hopper Rally Masters





The summer FCOC rally will be held at the Elkview Campground in Sturgis, South Dakota. Arrival date and time is June 24, 2013 at 12:00 noon. Departure is June 28, 2013 before noon. The registration fee is \$300.00. This includes a campsite with full hook-ups for two occupants per coach, all seminars, entertainment, four breakfasts and four dinners.

We will be hosting a Tour of Mount Rushmore and the Crazy Horse Memorial (two major landmarks in the area). The price is \$39.00 per person and the club will pick up \$20.00 per person. This includes a \$1.00 tip for the driver. If you plan to go on the Tour then please include the tour money with your payment of \$300.00.

The entertainment that Thursday Night is the Artistic Quartet, a fantastic barbershop quartet from Las Vegas, Nevada. Stay tuned...we have many other things planned as well!

We have booked 50 spaces and will try to secure more if available at the time. It is about 90 miles from the FMCA convention. Please make a note that we will also be having our Business Meeting at the FMCA Convention.

#### FOR CONTACT AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:



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#### Visit The Sturgis Motorcycle Museum & Hall of Fame

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Weekend 10:00 am -5:00 pm

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Admission: Adults \$5/Seniors \$4/Under 12 Free



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Cooking? Check out EasyRiders Saloon at 888 Junction Avenue in Sturgis

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Our club has a new Discount Program with the O'Reilly Auto Parts stores. They have over 3,700 stores nationwide.

When you visit an O'Reilly Auto Parts store, *the first thing* you shou ld do, is tell them you have a discount number and would like to set up an account. The discount number for FCOC members is **1284975**. After you set up your member account, you can shop for parts.

Remember, this discount program is only for BACK COUNTER PARTS (e.g., heavy duty truck parts, thermostats, alternators, etc.), and the discount percentage depends upon the products you buy. Most items in front of the counter are priced so low they don't have a discount.

At every checkout you must present you membership card (if it is not up to date you will not get the discount). This is a program for FCOC members only. O'Reilly will monitor our club to verify there is no abuse of the program.



### Discount Program

Below is a list of Oasis Dealers signed up on the discount program. Please refer to these dealers for service. If you have a dealer in your area not signed up, stop by and ask them to participate!

#### Here is how the Oasis Dealer Discount Program works:

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

NOTE: when going to a Freightliner Dealer participating in this program, ask them first about the program. To receive a discount you must first identify yourself as an FCOC member when scheduling service and present a valid FCOC membership card. See http://freightlinerchassis.com/Service-Locator/oasisnetwork/menu-id-95.html for an up to the minute list of Oasis Dealers

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FMCA is a Consumer Association member of the Michelin Advantage Program. This program is intended to provide competitive prices on Michelin RV tires at all authorized Michelin RV tire dealers that handle national accounts.

Not all Michelin dealers are authorized to handle national accounts, so please contact dealers in advance to make sure they can administer the Advantage Program. The Michelin Advantage Program does not guarantee the lowest price, as local dealers may be able to provide local customers with better prices. In today's environment, raw material costs have driven tire prices up recently, and some dealers may have tire inventory purchased before some of these increases, which may allow them to provide even more competitive prices than the Advantage Program provides.

The Michelin Consumer Association Advantage Program brought to you by FMCA will allow members to buy new tires at the program price at any authorized Michelin RV Tire Dealer across the United States. This could come in especially handy when a tire emergency occurs while a member is traveling.

Go to FMCA.com web flier that shows sample prices for common Michelin RV tires, under the Advantage program. For estimated pricing on additional tires not on the sample list, please contact the FMCA Membership department at membership@fmca.com or (800) 543-3622.

Members should visit www.michelinrvtires.com to locate an authorized Michelin RV tire dealer, to research tires, and to select the right tires for your motorhome. The tires listed on that site are included in the program. FMCA members will always need to follow the instructions provided by FMCA in order for dealers to recognize them as Advantage Program members, including providing their FMCA membership number and expiration date. Any fees for mounting, balancing, state and local taxes, and tire disposal are extra and quoted locally by the servicing dealer, so those fees are not included in the program.

The tire purchase must be paid for with a credit card — VISA, MasterCard or American Express — at the servicing dealership. Michelin's corporate office will charge the credit card the discounted price. FMCA will then send the member — via email — a copy of the invoice that reflects the total with the Advantage Program tire price. The FMCA Michelin Advantage Program is available at authorized Michelin dealers within the United States.

#### FMCA MICHELIN ADVANTAGE PROGRAM — QUESTIONS AND/OR INSTRUCTIONS

QUESTIONS: visit www.michelinrvtires.com, call Michelin Customer Care at (800) 847-3435 or, visit an authorized Michelin RV tire dealer.

INSTRUCTIONS: Go to FMCA.com for instructions on how to purchase tires using the FMCA Advantage Program account (member sign-in required) and to see a sample of prices for some common Michelin RV tires. MORE INFORMATION: FMCA Michelin Advantage Program, contact FMCA's Membership department via email at: membership@fmca.com





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