

American Coach Chapter of FMCA - January 2019

Registration is available for FMCA's 99th International Convention in Perry in March 2019.

Visit www.fmca.com to register. FMCA conventions at Perry are popular events, the Fairgrounds and Agricenter are spacious, there are numerous spaces for seminars, vendors and entertainment.

Register now for the March American Coach Chapter pre-rally. Registration is going very well! Register on line at our web site (www.acc-fmca.com) You may also download the mail in registration form. Prior to the FMCA's 99th International Convention our chapter will return to the Fair Harbor RV park -<https://fairharborrvpark.com/> for our Pre-rally March 9 – 12, 2019. We held our pre-rally there in March 2018 and we are looking forward to our return! The facility has large, level sites and an excellent meeting room for our gatherings. Our Eastern Director Bruno Borin started preparations for this event while we were still there last March! We will have catered meals; great social hours and the Ladies Luncheon will be held at the historic Swanson restaurant in Perry.

(<http://www.theswanson.com/>)

Our pre-rally includes three nights (March 9, 10 and 11) at Fair Harbor. If you desire extra days contact Fair Harbor at (478) 988 8844. We will move to the fairgrounds on the morning of March 12. I strongly recommend that if you want extra days to call now, this is a very popular campground.

The tentative agenda for the pre-rally is posted on our web site (www.acc-fmca.com)

Update on the Summer 2019 Pre-Rally and Convention in Minot, North Dakota. The American Coach Chapter will have our pre-rally from August 9th until August 12th at the Roughrider

Campground <http://roughridercampground.com/> conveniently located in Minot, ND. Our Central Director Doty has put together a short survey (the link is at the bottom of this newsletter) to determine if you are interested in attending the Minot Rally- please take a moment to complete this survey- to better help us plan. No commitments at this point at all.... If you have questions or just want to tell her that you are going, you can also contact her at centraldirector@acc-fmca.com.

The FMCA's 100th International Convention & RV Expo will be held at Minot, ND from August 14th August 17th, 2019. Registration will be available February 13, 2019.

Dues update

Dues notices have been sent out by our membership chair and renewals have been very positive. Several members informed us that they encountered difficulties renewing their memberships on line and we are very grateful for their input. Our webmaster has done a complete overhaul of our secure on-line payment program and I am happy to report the program is running well. If you did have issues, please give the new program a chance. Our membership chair will send out a reminder in early March and if you are delinquent 90 days your membership will be cancelled. Please renew!

Annual meeting and elections to be held at Perry

Our annual meeting and elections will be held during our pre-rally at Perry, GA. We are seeking candidates for the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer/Membership, National Director, Alternate National Director and Eastern, Central and Western Directors. Our Nominating committee is chaired by Past president Jim Graham, along with Pauline Shea and Linda Coleman, if you are interested in serving in one of these rewarding positions please contact Linda at secretary@acc-fmca.com

FMCA Structure

The FMCA has nearly 400 chapters divided into ten areas, nine geographical plus the International Area which focuses on an interest rather than geography. Our Chapter has members in 32 states and two provinces and belongs in the International Area! The International Area Organization has a very informative web site and I encourage you to check it out at <http://fmcainto.com/> .

FMCA's Tentative Long-Term Convention Schedule

For your planning purposes, the following is a tentative list where the FMCA International Conventions are planned to be in the next few years. Keep in mind the following future proposed sites are pending successful negotiations and approval by the National Directors. The sites will be voted on at our business meeting in Minot.

Winter 2020 Tucson, Arizona-Pima County Fairgrounds

Summer 2020 Rock Springs, Wyoming

Winter 2021 Perry, Georgia

Summer 2021 Gillette, Wyoming, or St. Paul, Minnesota

Winter 2022 Tucson, Arizona

Summer 2022 Rock Springs, Wyoming

Winter 2023 Perry, Georgia

Summer 2023 Sedalia, Missouri, or Gillette, Wyoming

Summer 2024 Syracuse, New York

Welcome to our newest members!

Buck & Suzanne Emerson from Gulf Breeze, FL.

Looking forward to seeing you in Perry!