

## **Motorhome Owners Group Headed to Arizona in March 2017**

Circle the wagons! Making its return to the Grand Canyon State, FMCA will host its 95th International Convention March 7-10, 2017, just south of Phoenix in Chandler, Arizona.

Cincinnati, Ohio (PRWEB) May 25, 2016 -- Members of Family Motor Coach Association (FMCA), an international organization for people who own motorhomes, will pack up their modern-day "stagecoaches" and make their way to the Rawhide Western Town and Event Center at Wild Horse Pass in Chandler, Arizona, March 7 through 10, 2017. Located just south of Phoenix, Rawhide Western Town and Event Center will serve as the venue for FMCA's 95th International Convention, when the association makes a long overdue return visit to the Grand Canyon State.

"FMCA hasn't hosted an international event in Arizona in several decades, so we are excited to be making plans for this 2017 convention at what will be a really great destination for our members," FMCA national president Charlie Adcock said. "What could be more fun than spending time strolling through streets and buildings that bring back the flavor of the Old West while enjoying a celebration of the motorhome lifestyle? On the last evening of the convention, Rawhide Western Town will be in full operation, and members will be able to join the public for loads of fun, food, and shopping."

"Before that, members will enjoy all of the activities of the FMCA convention itself," added FMCA national senior vice president Jon Walker. "And as a bonus, we'll be able to bask in the warmth and sunshine associated with winter in Arizona!"

A key element of <u>FMCA</u>'s international conventions is an unparalleled motorhome showcase. Top motorhome manufacturers and dealers will display their latest models. With the variety of sizes and floor plans, attendees should be able to find a motorhome to suit their needs. Some might be looking for a rolling residence for full-time RV living; others may want a vehicle to serve as "party central" for weekend tailgating during college football season; still others may be searching for a vehicle suitable for taking their kids, pets, etc. on weekend getaways or weeklong vacations. When it comes to outfitting the motorhome for travel, attendees will be able to head to the indoor exhibition areas, which will house more than 300 booths packed with a variety of RV-related products and services.

FMCA events also offer motorhome owners, as well as those exploring the idea of ownership, opportunities for enhancing their knowledge via seminars conducted by RV experts. Nearly 100 different topics are expected to be addressed during the event in Arizona.

In addition, motorhome owners will be treated to first-rate evening entertainment and a variety of special activities. Among them will be group tours of local sites and attractions.

Although the convention is organized for Family Motor Coach Association members, the organization also invites members of the public to attend and provides various admission options. For those who want to view only the motorhome exhibition and attend the evening entertainment, admission costs \$50 per day; children 12 and under are admitted free with an accompanying adult, as are those with an active military ID. Individuals who want to also attend seminars may purchase a Daily Passport, which is available for \$85 per day.

RV owners are invited to take part in all of the activities and to bring their RV and stay with the rest of the



group at Rawhide Western Town and Event Center. Registrants may opt for 50-amp (limited quantity) or 30-amp electric hookups, or may choose to rely on their motorhome's onboard resources and "dry camp." Potable water and dump station facilities are available at the facility, or roving trucks will provide these services for a fee to those who want to keep enjoying the activities and not stop for housekeeping issues.

The full registration price for non-FMCA members is \$245 prior to January 6, 2017, and \$275 after that date; this non-member fee automatically grants a one-year FMCA membership or Family Motor Coaching subscription to the RV owner. The FMCA member price is \$195 for early-bird registrations and \$225 after January 6. (An additional fee is charged for electric.) Registration will begin in fall 2016. Meanwhile, the association is accepting registrations for its upcoming August 3 through 6, 2016, event in West Springfield, Massachusetts.

The association welcomes all motorhome owners as members. Dues are \$50 for the first year and \$40 per year thereafter. Those who do not yet own a motorhome but are interested in learning more may sign up for a subscription to Family Motor Coaching magazine for \$30 per year.

Family Motor Coach Association (FMCA) is an international organization for families who own and enjoy the use of self-contained, motorized recreation vehicles known as motorhomes. The association maintains its national headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio, and currently has nearly 70,000 active member families. FMCA offers its members a number of benefits, including a subscription to its monthly magazine, Family Motor Coaching; a medical evacuation and travel assistance program valued at \$105 per family; group rates on a roadside assistance program and on motorhome and auto insurance; discounted rates for RV tours and caravans; and atire purchasing program. Perhaps the most important benefit of FMCA membership is the camaraderie and friendships that develop among people enjoying the common interest of motorhome travel and recreation. The organization can be reached at (513) 474-3622 or (800) 543-3622 and on the Web at FMCA.com.



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