

Motorhome Owners Group Gives Back to the Community

When traveling to different cities to attend Family Motor Coach Association conventions, members give back to the communities they visit. FMCA members will assist the West Springfield, Mass., community during their upcoming visit in August.

Cincinnati, Ohio (<u>PRWEB</u>) July 13, 2016 -- When <u>Family Motor Coach Association</u> members depart Massachusetts at the end of the group's upcoming convention, they will leave behind a lasting legacy by way of several charitable programs. The Cincinnati-based international motorhome owners group will host its <u>94th International Convention</u> at the Eastern States Exposition, home of the Big E, August 3 through 6, 2016. The association has made it a goal to give back to the communities it visits for its conventions.

- * Many RVers are involved in the activities of Habitat for Humanity, an ecumenical Christian housing ministry dedicated to eliminating poverty housing worldwide. In fact, FMCA even has a chapter whose members donate their time and talents throughout the year by participating in Habitat for Humanity builds. The group often schedules builds near conventions and rallies that FMCA presents. The chapter is scheduled to participate in a build in Falls Village, Connecticut, August 7 to 13. FMCA members will be able to make donations for future builds at the Habitat booth located in the FMCA Information Center in the Young Building beginning on Wednesday, August 3, or by mailing a check to FMCA, c/o Round Up Programs, 8291 Clough Pike, Cincinnati, OH 45244. Make checks payable to FMCA and note that the donation specifically is for Habitat for Humanity. All contributions received will be donated in FMCA's name to Habitat for Humanity; no administrative fees will be retained by FMCA.
- * A group of Family Motor Coach Association members who enjoy quilting have been stitching special gifts to leave behind in Massachusetts. The FMCA On-Road Quilters will donate children's quilts to the Ronald McDonald House of Springfield, which provides a home away from home for children being treated at area hospitals. The quilts first will be on display at the FMCA Information Center in the Young Building on Friday and Saturday, August 5 and 6. This has become an FMCA tradition and is one means of leaving something behind in the community.
- * During the convention, used eyeglasses will be donated by FMCA members as a way of supporting the Lions' Foundation Eyeglass Program, which helps to ensure that needy people are able to enjoy the benefits of vision correction.
- * The Professional R.V. Vendors chapter of FMCA will be collecting nonperishable food items during the convention for donation to Open Pantry Community Services Inc. of Springfield.
- * The Converted Coach chapter of FMCA will meet in Bernardstown, Massachusetts, in advance of the convention in West Springfield. At the rally, members will finalize their collection of the handmade and crocheted items they plan to donate to the Shriners children's hospital in Springfield, which specializes in orthopedics and cleft lip/palate surgery, among others.

These represent only a few of the ways Family Motor Coach Association members are making a difference in the lives of others. Many of the association's more than 400 chapters support various worthwhile causes year-round. In addition, throughout the year association members participate in a dues "Round Up" program that benefits Habitat for Humanity, KOA Care Camps, ProLiteracy Worldwide, and Good Will-Hinckley,



organizations that provide a helping hand to families throughout the country. To date the association has donated more than \$1 million to these organizations.

It's no accident that "Family" is the first word in the Family Motor Coach Association's name. Association members place great value on "family matters" and have chosen to help families in need whenever possible.

The Family Motor Coach Association is an international organization for people who own and enjoy the recreational use of motorized, self-contained recreation vehicles known as motorhomes. The organization's national office is located in Cincinnati, Ohio, and can be reached by calling (800) 543-3622 or visiting FMCA.com.

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