

Dear FMCA Western Area Members,

As your National Vice President for FMCA Western Area, my wife Janie and I are pleased to have the privilege to WELCOME YOU as a new member of the RVing family. FMCA was formed in 1963 by a couple who decided to join with others to camp and have fun together. FMCA has been serving, supporting, and providing national rallies and advocating for the membership for 61 years across the United States and Canada.

Becoming a member of FMCA doesn't require you to be a member of a chapter; however, you can enjoy the benefits of your membership by attending international rallies for networking, attending benefit seminars, and learning from so many fellow RVers. You will find area rallies and chapters' scheduled outings on the FMCA website where you can choose to participate.

Chapter membership and participation add a significant opportunity for fun that you shouldn't miss. Chapters conduct their own rallies on differing schedules. Some meet monthly, while others meet less frequently. Some focus on weekends while others tend to meet during the weekdays. You will find a list of upcoming events in the "Association Calendar" section of the FMCA magazine. In the magazine, you will find the contact information for each chapter. Please contact the President of any chapter that interests you for more information regarding their chapter and your interest in joining. I encourage you to attend their outings and decide on the one, or more, that best fits your lifestyle.

The chapters offer fun, good food, fellowship, lasting friendships, and the excitement of a total RVing experience. There is no obligation to join, but this is the best way to get more use out of your RV and ensure that you fully enjoy the entire FMCA experience.

Out west, we're the Western Motorhome Association covering the entire state of California. We have 40 chapters in the western area that vary in size and interest, from Bus Nuts, Railroad, Gold Dust, and others whose chapter names define who they are. Some chapters sponsor and donate to various organizations or causes.

The Western Area holds its annual rally in Indio, California, during the month of January. This is our only rally we host for chapters and members to come together and have fun, as FMCA's founders' sole purpose was to do. During our rally, we have entertainment, vendors, seminars, theme parades, games, and so much more. We certainly encourage you to come out and join in on the fun-filled events.



Our Membership Chairperson, Alice Bernard, has information on most of the chapters in the Western Area and would be happy to share this information with you. You can reach her by email at bernardfrogfarm@yahoo.com or by cell phone at (530) 519-7346. You can also snail mail her at: Alice Bernard, PO Box 704, Willows, CA 95988.

Again, we welcome you and urge you to join in on the fun of chapter participation. Don't hesitate to call or email if we can be of assistance.

Welcome aboard and happy RVing!

Sincerely,



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