

FAMILY FUN ON THE ROAD

What is the Family Motor Coach Association (FMCA)? Established in 1963, the **FMCA** RV Club is the world's largest member-owned non-profit RV group. All types of RVs are invited to join the FMCA family. The mission of FMCA is to bring together RV owners who share similar interests in fun-loving travel, recreation, and social activities in order to preserve the traditional ideals and spirit of friendly and wholesome family fellowship as manifested by the founders of FMCA. Members have exclusive access to select campgrounds and benefits that include RV tire discounts, RV WiFi plans, a bi-monthly magazine subscription, on-line RV forums, Medical & Travel Assist, and more. Explore now!

Go to FMCA.COM for more information.

What is an FMCA Chapter? A chapter within FMCA is a group of RV enthusiasts who not only have a zest for travel, but who share common interests, likes and activities. Some chapters cover a geographic region, others revolve around RV brands/models, sports, music, dining and numerous others. Chapters have gatherings known as rallies, which are held at the local, regional, and national level. Chapter members gather at rallies to discuss RV community issues, share stories, resolve technical issues, have social activities, meet new friends and, most importantly, **Have Fun!**



A Helping Hand

Operating a motorhome is a lot like driving your house around the country. Occasionally something will need repairs when you are on the road and Dogwood members are always eager to help when needed. At nearly all rallies, you will find a group of them gathered around a coach (with some folks working and some folks supervising!) to get the coach going again. We have probably worked every problem you will likely encounter in your RV traveling days!



The Dogwood Chapter of the Family Motor Coach Association



Living Life on the Road

What is Dogwood? Dogwood is an FMCA chapter founded in Portsmouth, VA in 1996 and going strong ever since. We currently have over 50 RV families, primarily from Virginia but also from DE, WV, PA, MD, NC, FL, ME and MS. **Membership dues are only \$15 per coach per year and the first year is free for new members.** Note – you must be a member of FMCA to join a chapter.

We normally conduct 4-6 rallies per year, usually beginning on Thursday or Friday and ending on Sunday. Rallies are hosted by members, usually 2 or 3 couples who volunteer as hosts. Rally dates, location, cost, meals and activities are all planned by the rally hosts.

Past rally locations include the beach, mountains, wineries, motorsports, historical sites, concerts, tours and much more. Local rallies are normally within 200 miles of Richmond, however, we have had rallies as far away as Titusville, FL., and Booth Bay, ME., with large turnouts. In addition to local rallies, many of our members attend, and volunteer at, FMCA Area and National Rallies. These are much larger rallies which include seminars, vendors, show coaches, entertainment and fun times.

Our motto is “**FUN, FOOD & FRIENDSHIP**”, and all of those are in abundance at our rallies.

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The nice thing about attending a Dogwood rally is that there is no pressure. You can just kick back and socialize or enjoy excursions into the surrounding area. It’s your choice! Traveling with the Dogwoods is always an adventure and there are many fun and exciting times, as well as some laid-back fellowship. **Come join us, you won’t be disappointed!**

For more detailed information about our chapter, please visit our BlogSpot at:

fmcadogwood.blogspot.com

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Dogwood Chapter Membership Form

First Year Membership is FREE

Date _____

New Member / Renewal (Circle one)

Names _____

For renewals, you only need to include the following information if changes have occurred, or you can email the changes directly to FMCADogwood@gmail.com.

FMCA Number: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Cell Phone (His & Hers): _____

Email Address (His & Hers): _____

There is no New Member fee; renewal fee is \$15/coach/year. Make check payable to "Dogwood Chapter - FMCA", and mail completed form with check (if renewing) to:

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