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Vice President's Message

Time to Prepare Your RV for the 2013 Camping Adventures



Don't forget to clean the rust and spiders out of the back side of your refrigerator. This will help keep your food colder with less propane use. The Camping Season is almost here. We are going to Greenfield on Memorial Day. We still need People to Volunteer for a rally this year. It's not hard to have a rally, just find a place and time. We will help you. Anything around an event makes the Rally a success automatically. Contents

Mass. Minutemen is such a nice group of people. Your treasury has money to pay all up front costs for rallies. All that is missing is YOU!

Anne and I are going to the Good Sam National Rally in Syracuse N.Y. If you're a Good Sam Member call for your reservation and see if any discounts apply to you. The Good Sam Rally they had this past winter in Daytona was like the National Rallies we used to have. Max fee of \$199.00 dry camping for Syracuse. **NO Volunteering Required.** Just Fun!

Presidents Message

Hello ALL, sorry I haven't written... but I've been thinking about it for a long time!!!!!! The coast is clear, snow is gone and I believe that it is OK to come out and get ready to enjoy the Spring and summer months ahead. It certainly has been a rough and tumble winter but it is only going to get better from here on as we march into Spring. Welcome back to another RV season, its time to get ready!

Our opener this season will again be Memorial day weekend in Greenfield, Mass with the Good Sam Chapters. Scheduled events include nightly entertainment, lobster supper and our annual Saturday volunteer effort, the blood drive. Also keep in mind that the Shriners tab collection effort is on that weekend so please round up those tabs. Highlight of the weekend period will be the Award winning band, American Country Band, on Saturday night. Please join us, your registration form is included in this newsletter and on our web site. Our business meeting will also be included in this weekend period.

Our multi-Club June rally at Quonset Point RI has been impacted by the recent sequestration vote. As you know government funding has been either reduced or eliminated in certain instances. As the result the Blue Angles as well as the air show itself has been grounded! So..... Charlie and I have been working on an alternate game plan to replace and equal our Quonset RI air show weekend. Join us in Syracuse NY, June 13th through the 16th for the Camping World/ Good Sam Rally, four days of good times, great entertainment and all things RV at the Empire Expo Center. On center stage will be the Queen of Country music, Reba McIntyre as the featured performer. Later entertainment will include Mr Las Vegas, Wayne Newton. Also included in this weekend will be Food Network's Surreal Gourmet, Bob Blumer. Additionally you may cheer on your favorite dog at the "Empire State Dogs" dog show and enjoy Exciting Optional Tours including Niagra Falls.

As I mentioned this is a work in progress and much more information will follow including parking arrangements. We are advised that every effort will be made to park us together using the code # 45876 on your registration form.

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(You can volunteer for something if you want.)

The Minutemen will be parking together if possible. Use parking code **45876** To park together I have been told that the parking crew will be saving parking spots for everyone using the same code. We are arriving on June 11th, two days earlier (\$35) because it's all new to us.

See you in Greenfield!
You're Vice President,
Still in Florida
Charlie Archambault

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That application form is now available on their site www.therally.com. Please let us know if you are interested in signing up for this rally so that we can be on the lookout for you. A reminder that you are responsible for the signup of any and all activities including registration and the tours of interest to you. See you there!

Charlie said it all in his message, please be on the lookout for places to go and do not hesitate to come forward with an idea or suggestion when it comes to a rally. Please keep that in mind as you travel around this summer.

Be sure to check out this entire issue of your newsletter, Anne has

included the minutes of our business meeting and the Chapter Officers election results that took place at the Dunroamin golf course rally last September. Dave Buker is our newly elected National Director. Thanks Dave and welcome aboard. Dave will be with us in Greenfield for our business meeting but will be leaving from there for the National Rally in Gillette, Wyoming. A very special Thanks to my fellow Chapter Officers for their continued support. Thanks Charlie, Anne, Patty, Sue, and Leo, our webmaster.

Looking forward to the summer,
Lou

Our Rallies

May, Good Sam @ Greenfield

June, The Rally, Syracuse, NY

July, URI balloon Fest

Open, Dunroamin Country Club

Oct, Tunbridge, VT

If any member has an idea for a place for a rally or would like to host a rally please contact Lou Or Charlie

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**Let's give a huge MM Welcome to our
latest new members!**



Paul & Mary Ellen DiJulio
Wakefield, RI
Rick & Donna Greely
Halifax, MA

Club Shirts & Hats...

All shirts & Caps in MM Club Color Maroon, except as noted.

1. Ladies V-neck 'Egyptian Pima' Solid Polo - \$20.00
2. Men's 65/35 'EZ Blend Pique' Polo - \$18.00
3. (There is an extra \$2.00 charge
alter XL for each additional 'X')
4. Women's 65/35 'EZ Blend Pique' Polo - \$18.00
5. 'Classic cut Chino' Cotton Twill caps - \$11.00.
6. 'Hamilton Washed' White Ladies Twill Visors \$11.00

I also have a catalogue with numerous other items that can
be ordered and I have a limited
supply of the above in stock.

Mail your order to;

Neal or Sandy Schermerhorn 41 Bennett Rd Monson, Ma
01057

Make your check payable to: Mass Minutemen RV Club

If you would like direct shipment to your home, please
include an additional \$4.00 per item for postage.

Volunteer Needed

*Mass Minutemen is in need of
someone to step up to be news
letter Editor;*

*In you are interested please
contact Lou, or Charlie.*

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & RENEWAL FORM

No person may be a member of the Mass Minutemen chapter

Unless they are members in good standing of FMCA.

FMCA # _____ (required) Expiration Date: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

NAME: _____

SPOUSE NAME: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone No.: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

I/we have paid my/our dues to FMCA (or have applied for membership). I enclose **dues of \$10.00**

and understand that this is for membership in the Massachusetts Minutemen Chapter, including newsletters, **through June 30, OR:** 3 years in advance = \$25.00 (Saving of \$5.00)

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Dues are due July 1st.

Please make your checks payable to: **MASSACHUSETTS MINUTEMEN RV CLUB, Inc**

And Mail to:

Patty Guthman

35 Riverview DR

Norwalk, CT 06850

Mass Minutemen Badges Order Form

Name on Badge
First Name _____ Last Name _____
(Nickname OK) (Please print clearly)

First Name _____ Last Name _____

FMCA# _____ Town & State _____

Mail address for Badges: _____

Badges (as above, with pin) \$7.00 each # @ \$7.00 _____
Optional Bob Ties \$3.00 # @ \$3.00 _____
Circle color of Bob Tie: RED-BLUE-GREEN-BLACK
S&H (2 badges) add \$3.00 _____

Total enclosed _____

Mail order with check to Jack Fahnstock, 55 Loring St. Auburn, Ma. 01501
Email: bluebus55@aol.com

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2012 Massachusetts Minutemen RV Club Minutes

Date: Sept 30, 2012

Time: 2:20pm

Place: Dunromin Golf Club, Gilbertville, MA

Meeting called to order

Moment of Silence

Lou introduced the officers of the club

President Lou Snow

Vice President Charlie Archambault

Treasurer Patty Guthman

Secretary Anne Archambault

Alternate National Director Léo Ouellette

(MA)

Meeting suspended for elections

Secretary cast one vote for slate of officers All returning in their same positions and Dave Buker is now National Director. Lou presented Dave with the National Directors plaques and welcomed him to the position.

Secretary report read and approved with one correction, Thunderboltz was incorrect it was the Thunderbirds at the Quonset air show in July 2012.

Treasures report read and accepted. See attached Lou Snow said we would have an audit done at the spring meeting.

National Director reported by Dave Buker using information received from Gerry Gage from the Green Mountain Club. Dave was unable to attend the meeting as he lost his brakes on his MH.

Some important information from the Board of Governors meeting are as follows:

Any one can hold an officers position in 2 different clubs.

Parking committee is no longer getting paid for their services

To save money the national officers are now having more conference calls. It was voted to now provide members with insurance from Seven Corners Assist at a cost of \$85.00 per year for a single RVer and \$105.00 for a couple in an RV. This is insurance that in the past was no direct cost to members of FMCA. Seven Corners will provide information to members but if you haven't paid for the services they will give you the information and you will pay for and make arrangements yourself. This includes services like emergency medical evacuation, return of mortal remains, vehicle returns. More Information can be found of the FMCA website.

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Dave reported 316 members attended the board of governors meeting or 67% of all members.

Old Business

Neal and Sandy have our MM clothing; please let them now what you need. Sandy asked if they could replace some clothing with larger sizes, she was given permission.

Charlie Archambault thanked everyone for attending all the rallies that is why we have rallies to get together and have fun.

New Business

Lou thanked all for attending the 30th Anniversary of the Mass Minutemen RV Club Inc. National sent a plaque and a check for \$150.00 to the club in celebration.

We are also celebrating 7 years of Toys for Tots and the numerous Blood drives we have been part of. Lou thanked all for everyone support.

Bob Heck thanked Lou for all his commitment to the club and Frank Guthman made many thanks to all on the committee for their commitment to the club.

Lou asked for a volunteer to be the Cheer (Sunshine) person. Sue Sank volunteered, Thank you Sue. Any one knowing a club member in need of a card from the club please contact Sue with the information.

Flowers on the table were given away, Last flowers given away to Rick & Connie Knowles, original members of the Massachusetts Minutemen RV Club. Lou mentioned working with Rick as the Co – rally master at the 1997 NEA rally in Springfield, MA. Connie & Rick have worked several NEA rallies as vendor co-coordinators.

Meeting Adjourned 2:56pm

Respectfully submitted

Anne Archambault

May 24, 25, 26, 27, 2013

Massachusetts 42nd Lobster Samboree

Emergency only telephone number 774-571-3879 (Joe Cavossa)

Greenfield, Mass. Franklin County Fair Grounds, 01301

Exit 26 from Rt. 91 then follow Rt. 2A East

Right at second traffic light GPS N42.34.82 W72.36.66

First right then first left. Come to main gate. (89 Wisdom Way)

Send registration to:

Frances Brown 781 - 447 - 4588

109 Hancock Street

Whitman, MA. 02382-1117

Join us in the fun and fellowship of Bingo, Arts and Crafts, Flea Market, Entertainment, Children's Games, Hospitality, Horseshoe tournament, Fry Pan Toss, Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, Friday evening Chowder and Crackers, Worship Services, Door Prizes, Food Concessions, Commercial Booths, Chinese Auction, Cribbage Tournament, Raffles, and Ladies Fancy Hat tea to name a few

CHINESE AUCTION: Donations to our Chinese Auction will be greatly appreciated, items must be usable, junk will not be accepted, and items should be brought to the **Dole Building** Saturday May 25th, at 10 AM.

ARTS AND CRAFTS: A \$5.00 donation will be charged for an 8 foot space, you must supply your own table. Sign up for arts and crafts across from the Leyden Church Building on Friday May 24.

DINNERS: Chicken or Lobster Dinners will be served Saturday (4:30 TO 6:00 pm)

PARKING: ALL general parking will be done by our parking committee. It is **HOBO STYLE** & to park with someone you must arrive with them! We recommend per-registering so you do not get separated!

TAB COLLECTION: If you have collected tabs we pick up Saturday after supper.

FOOD PANTRY: Contributions welcome for our food drive non perishable food items will be collected.

Continued for 2013 Early bird Dinner: Wednesday POT LUCK 5/22/2013

Golf outing: Sunday sign up by Saturday noon "T" time Sunday to be announced

CUT OFF DATE FOR PRE-REGISTERING IS MAY 15, 2013.

ALL REGISTRATIONS AFTER THIS DATE WILL BE CONSIDERED A GATE REGISTRATION AND PRICED AT \$95.00.

REFUNDS: (less cost of meals) MADE ON WRITTEN REQUEST BY 6-15-2013

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PETS: Your pet is always welcome, proof of rabies vaccination required at check in.

The applicant upon submission of this form accepts full responsibility for the welfare of their unit and persons within their unit, while attending the Massachusetts State Samboree, and holds blameless the Massachusetts Good Sam Club and its officers, for any personal injury or damage incurred to their unit.

Your canceled check will confirm your reservation please allow time for the check to process.

Please print on white paper black ink

all fees must accompany this application

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MASS GOOD SAM CLUB

PLEASE DO NOT STAPLE CHECK TO REGISTRATION

<http://massgoodsam.com>

1/30/2013

NAME:		SPOUSE:	
ADDRESS:		PHONE:	
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:	EMAIL:
MASS CHAPTER NAME :MassMinutemen		or per-registered groups (10 or more units)	
HANDICAP PARKING:		GENERATOR: (UP EXHAUST PIPE REQUIRED)	
Number of ADULTS:	Number of TEENS:	Number of CHILDREN:	Number of PETS:
Weekend Fee (Covers three nights, water & Limited Electric) ----- >			\$85.00
If you are traveling alone DEDUCT \$10.00 from the weekend fee ----->			
If you have a guest/s traveling with you Add @10.00 per guest/s ---- >			
Early Bird Parking \$22.00 per night (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday) ADD \$22.00 per night --- >			
LOBSTER DINNER \$16.00 PER MEAL		NUMBER @ \$16.00 ----- >	
CHICKEN DINNER \$11.00 PER MEAL		NUMBER @ \$11.00 ----- >	
CHICKEN Senior/Child \$6.00 PER MEAL		NUMBER @ \$6.00 ----- >	
GRAND TOTAL	CHECK #	TOTAL AMOUNT ---- >	