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Spartan Chassis Celebrates 25th Anniversary of Owners Club

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Company Recognizes SCIC During FMCA Showcase in Perry, Ga.

CHARLOTTE, Mich., March 20, 2014 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- <u>Spartan Chassis</u>, a business unit of <u>Spartan Motors</u>, <u>Inc.</u> (Nasdaq:SPAR), celebrated the 25th Anniversary of the Spartan Chassis International Chapter (SCIC) of the Family Motor Coach Association (FMCA) this week (March 17-20) during the FMCA's 89th Family Reunion and Motorhome Showcase in Perry, Ga. The SCIC was founded by Marsh Carson and Scott Brady after generating support among other Spartan owners and was chartered as an official chapter on March 8, 1989 with the FMCA.

"SCIC members are Spartan Chassis' true ambassadors of the product," said Timothy Hamm, Vice President, Sales and Business Development of the Specialty Vehicles business unit, Spartan Chassis. "Spartan Chassis is grateful that SCIC members tout the quality of Spartan products. Owners who run on a Spartan chassis continuously speak to the ride quality, handling and dependability."

Spartan Chassis associates joined current SCIC President Bob Clipfell and several SCIC members during the Perry Rally to commemorate the founding of the organization and the 25th anniversary. While at the gathering, SCIC members learned about several upcoming innovations to be featured beginning with the 2015 model year.

Immediately following the Perry Rally, the SCIC attendees proceeded up the East Coast for its Hop, Skip and Jump Post Rally, featuring stops in Hardeeville, Ga. (March 21-23), Hollywood, S.C. (March 24-26) and Myrtle Beach, S.C. (March 27-29).

About Spartan Chassis, Inc.

Spartan Chassis, Inc. is a world-class leader in the engineering, manufacturing and marketing of chassis and aftermarket parts for emergency response, recreational vehicle (RV), defense and specialty vehicles. End users recognize and request the Spartan Chassis brand, which consistently delivers superior performance, exceptional safety ratings and innovations which distinguish us from the competition. Visit Spartan Chassis at www.spartanchassis.com.

About Spartan Motors

Spartan Motors, Inc. designs, engineers and manufactures specialty chassis, specialty vehicles, truck bodies and aftermarket parts for the recreational vehicle (RV), emergency response, government services, defense, and delivery and service markets. The Company's brand names − Spartan[™], Spartan Chassis[™], Spartan ER[™], Spartan ER[™], and Utilimaster® - are known for quality, performance, service and first-to-market innovation. The Company employs approximately 1,700 associates at facilities in Michigan, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Indiana, and Florida. Spartan reported sales of \$470 million in 2013 and is focused on becoming a global leader in the design, engineering and manufacture of specialty vehicles and chassis. Visit Spartan Motors at theshyftgroup.com.

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