

Meet Roger Beauchemin

Marathon California Service Manager

by Kelly Kitchel

Roger Beauchemin joined Marathon Coach of California this year as service manager of the newest Marathon service facility, which opened in November 2007. He brings a lifetime of service experience to the position and is extremely enthusiastic about having joined the Marathon family.

Roger grew up in Connecticut, but he packed up and moved to Las Vegas 18 years ago. There he spent several years working at an RV dealership, and then in 1998, he opened his own service company. "When I started my shop I had the opportunity to do work on Marathon coaches, and I could tell immediately that theirs was a superior product," said Roger. "Marathon coaches are extremely well made, which tells me the people who make them care about the final result."

"Marathons have always been my favorite motor coach to work on, hands down," said Roger. "The customers were always friendly and they never failed to tell me about the great service they received from the company. From what I heard, Marathon seemed to be the best, and a great place to work." So when Marathon's Beaumont, California facility was ready to hire a service manager, Roger's experience and respect for the product made him a perfect fit.

The open space and peaceful quality of Beaumont corresponds nicely to Roger's favorite hobby. "I love to restore old cars and remodel houses," said Roger. "I'm currently working on a 1939 Chevy Panel Truck, which is pretty rare, and a 1969 Toyota Land Cruiser. Both vehicles are torn apart and in pieces now, and I spend my weekends tinkering with them. I would love to find an old horse ranch with space and land to escape to, with room for a large workshop of my own. Because this section of California is fairly spread out with



a little more country, I might finally have that opportunity."

Roger also looks forward to hosting his family and girlfriend once he is established in Beaumont. "My family is very close," he said. "My mother was recently in Connecticut helping my brother pack up; he moved to Las Vegas to take over my business. My sister is in Phoenix, which means my mom will probably be making a loop, traveling to see the three of us. Luckily, my mom loves taking road trips, and it's always nice to have her visit."

"I'm very happy to be part of the Marathon team," Roger said. "People stay at Marathon a long time because it's a great company to work for. Six or seven years will go by and the new guy is *still* the new guy. The fact that people stay with the company so long translates into superior knowledge of the product, which means superior service. I look forward to continuing that level of excellence at Marathon Coach California."

When you have a chance to visit Marathon Coach of California in Beaumont, please welcome Roger to the Marathon family. •