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Governors, Members of the Executive Board and Members of the National Council of Corvette Clubs:

The Midwest Region of NCCC would ask your consideration for our bid to host the NCCC 2011 National Convention in Tinley Park, Illinois.

Tinley Park is located about 27 miles southwest of Chicago, Illinois. Tinley Park is a quiet little town of approximately 60,000 residents. It is over 100 years old with an older section about ½ mile from the hotel. The town has a lot of great places to eat with old country charm. Within walking distance of the hotel are 12 places to eat, including one of my favorites, Cracker Barrel. The hotel also has a very reasonable priced restaurant. Tinley Park is near major expressways I-80, I-57, and I-294. The hotel is at I-80 at Route 43. Tinley Park has just about anything one might need including 130 restaurants within a 3 mile radius. The host hotel would be the Tinley Park Holiday Inn Convention Center. The hotel has 202 rooms now with 70 suites being added this year. The banquet room can host 10 to 8000 people for dinner. The convention center has 130,000 square feet of floor space. Parking is in front of the hotel and convention center. There are 1500 spaces now with 1200 being added by next year. The Holiday Inn is eight years old, every room has a refrigerator, coffee pot, microwave, and FREE wireless internet. The entire complex is surrounded by fence and a lake and there is only one way in and out. Security for your car and belongings will not be a problem. We will hire off-duty Tinley Park Police Officers to protect everything. NCCC will have full use of the facilities with no other groups on the property. The entire hotel and convention center is blocked for our group. Room rates for the hotel will be \$89 per night.

We have 2 state of the art facilities for our speed and drag events. The Autobahn Country Club is a car enthusiasts dream. It is a member's only club that is giving us access to the Country Club, their 3.5 mile road courses and ½ mile low speed track for 3 fun filled days. Monday will be a track day for playing with our corvettes. We will start with open track, lapping, and passing, high speed licenses and helmets required. In the afternoon the road course will be open to every person at the convention who would like to drive the road course without racing, led by a pace car, high speed licenses not required. At five o'clock the track will close and everyone will eat and party at the country club. The Rallye will begin from the Autobahn and plans are in the works for our Concours to also take place at this location. Timed speed events for groups will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday. Our Drag racing event will be at the Route 66 Drag Strip, which is an amazing NHRA track, on Thursday. We also plan to have a Test and Tune Fun Drag Race, for those who want to see how fast their car really is down the drag strip. Both of these facilities are only a 30 minute drive on I-80 from the Convention Center.

For those interested in seeing the great City of Chicago the city is only 27 miles from Tinley Park. The beautiful Lakefront, Museums, Millennium Park with the famous Bean, Magnificent Mile, Navy Pier, and Buckingham Fountain are all less than one hour away. Chicago has too many famous restaurants to list, but has been known for the best in the country. Many Hollywood Stars come from California just to eat here. Chicago is accessible from the hotel by expressway right to the heart of downtown. The sites are endless from a city like no other. Bus tours from the host hotel will be offered to downtown Chicago each day.

We are going to have a Childrens Program in 2011! So, bring along those kids and grandkids! We have great plans to keep our little FCOA members busy in the evenings so Mom, Dad, Grandma and Grandpa can enjoy the parties! Some great volunteers have stepped forward to make sure our kids have a great time. We have some exciting sponsors who have already come forward! We need to encourage the youth to get involved in NCCC!

The Midwest Region believes that we can host a great convention. We have some of the best talent in NCCC in the region. The major players hosting your week in Tinley Park have been to multiple conventions over the years. As a group we know what you expect from your convention host. We will make sure you receive that and more. We have exciting plans already in the works. You will not be disappointed if you attend the 2011 NCCC Convention in Tinley Park, Illinois. The convention will begin on June 18 ending on June 24, 2011. For those interested, Bloomington Gold Corvette Show in St. Charles, Illinois begins on June 24. St. Charles is approximately 45 miles from Tinley Park.

Our tentative schedule includes; Friday night early arrival hospitality party, Saturday Night Welcome party and National Awards, Sunday evening a short parade and peoples Choice Show in the old town of Tinley Park, Monday, a Concours, a fun Rallye, a high speed track day at the Autobahn, a touring opportunity for all conventioners to drive the 3.5 mile course, Go Carts on the Go Cart Track, and a BBQ. Low Speed and High Speed events will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Autobahn. Thursday will be the drag races. Friday will be Awards breakfast in the morning with the convention banquet on Friday night. We have some really special prizes for Friday night you will not want to miss. We are planning some great parties for each evening. There will be a theme every night with special door prizes that no one will want to miss.

Over the last 34 years as a member of NCCC, Joan and I have memories with our five children going to conventions all over the great USA. We have been to places and seen things that we would not have done if NCCC conventions had not been a reason to go to those areas of the country. Our adult children are now attending convention along with our five grand kids. The last two years we have made it a week long vacation with our family. We hope by chairing the 2011 NCCC Convention in Tinley Park, we will be able to show you some of the good times that NCCC has given to us over the years. We are a family, and NCCC has become our extended family with friends from all over the United States. This is the least that Joan and I can do for all that NCCC and its' members have done for us.

Hoping to see everyone in 2011 in Tinley Park for lots of fun!!

**Dave and Joan Heinemann
Governor and Members
Windy City Corvettes, inc.**

