

Regional News

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Greetings from the NCCC Midwest Region,

WE DID IT -- PULLED OFF A SUCCESSFUL NCCC CONVENTION! This was the first time the Midwest Region as a region hosted an NCCC Convention. An individual MWR club or clubs have hosted a couple of conventions but to my knowledge the MWR never has.

I'm including a final Convention report from the Directors of the MWR hosted 2011 NCCC Convention.

I would like to add my personal thanks to all the MWR members and clubs who pitched in to put on a great convention. Also, my special thanks to those non-MWR members who freely offered their help to make the Convention so successful. It takes a huge number of people, each with special talents, to pull it off. As an example, just for the Concours which Pat and I chaired there were 23 members from Badger State Vettes, two other MWR members and five NCCC members from four other regions who pitched in to complete the Concours by noon on Sunday, so the entrants could take part in the Tinley Park car shows. I'm sure the other events and parties took similar efforts.

At the September 10th MWR Meeting, a slate of candidates for the 2012 MWR officers will be announced. Please consider running for one of those positions. Both Paul Haack, our MWR-RCD, and I, as MWR-RE, do not plan on returning for 2012. The other current officers to my knowledge plan on running for their offices for 2012, but nominees are welcomed for all the MWR officers.

Gary Kelly, RE

2011 CONVENTION FINAL REPORT

The 2011 Convention is over and it was a tremendous success. We want to thank all of the Convention leaders and the Region's members who worked so hard to make the 2011 Convention in Tinley Park such a success. It takes a lot of members to lead and perform the various administrative, competitive and social events that make up a convention. The Midwest Region is very fortunate to have dedicated, experienced and skilled members who are able to make hosting a convention look easy. Now we know what really was required, but the true challenge of hosting such a complicated week of events is to make it look easy. We did that. There have been many compliments published on the NCCCnet and in personal conversations following Convention. These compliments go far beyond the leaders and are a very positive reflection on each member who played a role during the week's activities.

Also, we hope that each of you who attended had an enjoyable time and that you consider attending future Conventions. The 2012 Convention is being held in Topeka, KS and it is a 'short' drive from our Region's area. We have spent time sharing our experiences with Larry Beebe and his convention team and we are sure that next year's convention will also be a huge success.

In closing, I want to thank each of you who worked and contributed your time to the 2011 Convention. We could not have been successful without your help. We all should be very proud of what we accomplished.

Dave Heinemann & Larry Pagliaro,
2011 NCCC Convention Directors