

MIDWEST REGION:

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I'm Back...It has been ten years since I last filled the role of Midwest Region Executive and I want to say that I am excited to again have the opportunity to fulfill this role. I want to thank the region's governors for their support and I really look forward to working with the other regional execs as we move NCCC into 2012 and beyond. Since 200, I was focusing heavily on my club's NCCC and charity activities when Dave Heinemann and I decided that we should give something back to NCCC for all of the great times we had at previous conventions. Planning and preparing for the 2011 Convention in Tinley Park had me again involved at the regional and national level, and I found that I missed a lot during the years since leaving the RE position. So, when it became available this time, I jumped at the opportunity.

A big Thank You to Calvin Camp, Warren Snyder and Gary Kelly...I want to thank the RE's who followed me during the past ten years: Calvin, Warren and Gary. They collectively ensured that the region ran well and set a solid financial foundation. The region has never been stronger and that is attributable to the leadership of the officers, committee leads and the Region's Governors. You all made it very easy for me to move back into the RE position. Thank you.

2012 Regional Officers...I would like to introduce our 2012 regional officers. Joining me will be Bill Docherty, our new RCD replacing Paul Haack. Paul will be moving on to the NCCC VP of Competition position. Congratulations to Paul and I am sure he will be equally successful in this position as he was leading our region's competition program. Diana Haack will be replacing Sue Puksich as our Regional Membership Director and Nancy Bailey, Chris Reitz and Joan Thomas will be returning as our Regional Treasurer, Regional Secretary and Regional Webmaster, respectively. We have a great team going into 2012.

Looking Forward within the Midwest Region...2012 looks to be a very busy year in the Midwest Region. The Governors have submitted 180 sanctioned event requests covering dates from the first of April through mid-October. We will again hold a Regional Fund Raiser, which was very successful in the past. We are accepting bids for the 2012 MWR Championship series and I do hope that by the time you read this that the MWRCS details will have been determined. I also want to promote the 2012 Convention in Topeka, KS. The nation came to the Midwest Region in 2011 and I would ask the region's members to return the favor in 2012. I am really looking forward to the 2012 season, to again participating at the national level and rekindling friendships both in and outside of our region. Thanks again for the support.

Larry Pagliaro, Midwest Region RE

As the new RCD for the Midwest Region, I look forward to a safe and busy competition year. With the additional three sanctions per club this year, the competition calendar will be full of exciting events from March to October. Please support your region's clubs by attending. As a competitor, a worker, or just stopping by to see what's happening, club events are really friendly get-togethers. You'll be sure to have a good time! Check out our schedule and flyers at www.mwregion.com.

Thanks to PAUL HAACK for his service as RCD and congratulations on his successful run for VP of Competition. I look forward to working with him and all the Regional Competition Directors in 2012.

My dad told me, "You get out of life what you put in," and it took a long time for that to sink in. Since joining NCCC, I have been an avid competitor, both on the national and regional levels, event chairperson, club secretary, member of the Convention Steering committee, and now Midwest RCD. I have made many new friends, visited new places and seen many beautiful Corvettes in a really short period of my life. I hate to admit it, but my Dad was right!

Bill Docherty, Midwest Region RCD