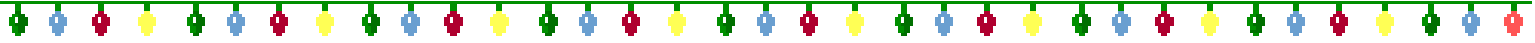




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Mark Your Calendars!

2011 NIR Calendar of Events



Sun. Dec. 4 23rd Annual Holiday Awards Dinner

December Birthdays

Dec. 1 Bill Neufeldt
Dec. 2 Herb Nelson
Dec. 11 Lance Barnes
Dec. 13 Dawn Adcock
Dec. 27 Patrick Morse
Dec. 29 Ginny Barnes



December Anniversaries



2012 Northern Illinois Region Area Car Show Schedule

Hey NIR members! Do you know of any events that are coming up in 2012? Send Steve the information and links for area cruises. novasscott@aol.com

Happy Holidays!

Visit us on [Facebook!](#) and ...
On Our Website at:
www.vcca.org/~nir/





There is still time to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Chevrolet and the 50th Anniversary of VCCA!

The Northern Illinois Region has a limited supply of VCCA national fundraiser items! Now Available:

1. "Flint or Bust" Vehicle Magnets
2. 50th VCCA Anniversary Meet Cling Window Decals
3. 50th VCCA Anniversary Refrigerator Magnets.

\$6.00 each or all 3 for \$16.00!

Postage is included in the price! See details on our website: www.vcca.org/~nir/

Here's How to Order:

Send check or money order payable to:

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VCCA c/o Barbara and Pat Racana

137 Haverhill Ln. Schaumburg, Illinois 60193 847-352-0753

or email: barb.racana@juno.com

November Pot Luck Meeting Report

Secretary's Report



The welcoming household of Barb and Pat was the setting for our November meeting which included casual conversation, excellent food, and our elections for the 2012 Year.

Guests and members in attendance include Mike & Janis, John & Kimberly, Jerry, Steve, Herb, & Brad and of course Barbara and Pat as well as myself

The background ambiance was provided by Barbs lap top computer which consistently scrolled thru *every*, (and I do mean *every*,) vehicle that was at the Flint anniversary meet this past July.

We all agreed that she did a spectacular job on this immense undertaking and well worth their tireless effort to show some of the most beautiful cars in existence! Well Done A+ work, Thank-You!

The elections, (in a condensed format), included every position being re-filled by the incumbent position holder with only the following exception and/or swap of titles/duties...

John B. is now the Assistant Director

Jim D. is now Board Member at Large.

Congratulations to both of them on their positions as well as all reelected members.

Special recognition was given for Steve and his award for our great newsletter from the VCCA which will be re-acknowledged at the upcoming Christmas Party. Great Job, and a well deserved Thank-You for your consistent hard work and diligence to make our newsletter truly something that everyone looks forward to every month!

I believe that I speak for everyone when I say that I hope this upcoming year will be another fun and enjoyable one as we continue to retain our commitment to the preservation and restoration of the finest automotive marquee, and appreciate the lasting friendships of all of it's wonderful members...present, past, and future.

Warmest Holiday Regards,

John Sperling (Secretary)



HOLIDAY PARTY SUNDAY DECEMBER 4th Noon – 4:00 PM

Please mark your calendars!! The NIR Holiday Party is December 4th at The Village Squire. This year we will be ordering off of the menu, so there will be plenty of choices. We'll have a nice private room, good food, separate checks & cash bar. You can view the menu at <http://www.thevillagesquire.com/>

Hope everyone can make it. Please **RSVP** to us so we can get a head count.

Thanks,

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Location:

The Village Squire

125 Washington St.

West Dundee, IL 60118

(847) 428-4483

(This is where we had our 2010 holiday party).



Director's Corner

By Brad Adcock

We got together a few weeks ago, for our meeting and elections at the Racana's. We had a great afternoon of camaraderie and enjoyed all the fine food as we watched Barbara's Anniversary Meet slideshow which was running throughout the afternoon. We also looked at photos brought by others of the Anniversary Meet. Thanks to all who volunteered to handle the positions. Jim Downum was unable to attend but called in and put his hat in the ring for Board member at large and John Brayton took over the Assistant director's position. We all got a peak at Barbara's brother's Corvette as they are kindly storing it for him this winter. As we went out there where a few nice old cars in the street as those who had not put their cars away had then out as it was a very nice day for a Sunday drive. Thanks again to Pat and Barbara for opening up their home for us and hosting the meeting.

Make your plans now to attend the 49th Annual Central Meet will be held right in Sandwich IL on July 15th to 18th 2012. As this will be the closest VCCA Meet besides the 2013 Middle West Meet in Lake Geneva we will have unless we host it, maybe 2015? The host hotel for the 2012 Central Meet will be the Timber Creek Inn & Suites Convention Center. 3300 Drew Ave Sandwich, IL 60548 (866) 992-7335. It looks like a very nice place, check it out at www.timbercreekandsuites.com Make your reservations, I know I have.

Wow what a year we had with the 50th Anniversary Meet, our 50th Anniversary Meet fundraiser, and all of our other local events. Unfortunately it's time to put the cars away as I have to get back out in the garage to make room to fit 3 cars in there. We will be looking for ideas for 2012 meetings as we will finalize a schedule for 2012 at our January meeting. We are looking for your ideas and suggestions and the Spring and Fall tour chairperson seats are still open. We look forward to seeing you all for a great afternoon at the Holiday Luncheon Sunday December 4th at the Village Squire in Dundee Illinois from Noon to 4

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year,

Brad

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The 51st Annual "Run To Brighton"

For the second year in a row, members of the NIR attended the AACA's Run to Brighton. We met with the others at the Vernon Hills McDonald's and were treated to a variety of antique and classic cars. We had a great time and the tour route was fantastic. After we arrived in Brighton, Wisconsin we had lunch at different places. Some stayed for the turkey dinner at the Brighton church. The Scott clan stopped at a new restaurant called "45 North." We hope we can make this an annual trek for more of our NIR members. This is a great way to get the car out for one more trip before we put them away for the winter. NIR members attending were Herb Nelson - '64 Corvair, Pat Morse- '51 Fleetline 2 dr., Stephen Goldspiel- 1954 210, Steve Scott and Diane Scott- '62 Olds Holiday Coupe, Daryl Scott and Sarah Scott, Gordon Scott and Melissa Conner- 1947 Fleetline 4dr.



The "Maiden Voyage" of the '47 Fleetline. This was the first time on the highway since 1973! It performed without a hitch on the 51st Run to Brighton.

Congratulations to the following NIR members for their years of service to the club. They will be receiving their award pin at the Holiday Banquet December 4th.

5 year pin

John Sperling

Brad Adcock

1 year pin

Stephen Goldspiel



It's That DUES TIME Again!

Yes it's time for renewal of your 2012 membership. The following Please send Barbara Racana your 2012 dues of \$12.00. Make checks out to Northern Illinois Region-VCCA. Send to: **Barbara Racana 137 Haverhill Ln. Schaumburg, IL. 60193 847-352-0753**
barb.racana@juno.com Remember, membership expires **Mar. 1.** You can renew your membership at the **Holiday Party on Dec. 4th!**



Just about every make and model could be seen at the Vernon Hills McDonald's parking lot. It was a great chance to "kick some tires."

VCCA Membership Roster Available

A limited number (1,000) of the printed "VCCA Fiftieth Anniversary Membership Roster" will be available in December. This 136-page document is similar to previously issued membership rosters containing member names, addresses and vehicles. Members are listed by state and in alphabetical order, unless restricted by member request. This new edition also includes telephone and email addresses and an index of members to easily locate club members.

To Order a Printed Roster

Send name, address and VCCA membership number, with a check or money order for \$10.00, PAYABLE TO "VCCA" to:
 Nick Matlaga, VCCA Membership Committee, 33 Turkey Ridge Road, Mount Bethel, Pennsylvania, 18343

Note: The printed roster provides a "snapshot" of our membership. Members are reminded that an on-line roster is available in the

"Members-Only"

section of our website. It is more current than the printed roster and is a free service provided to all members.

Field Entrance Check Schedule Central Meet.

The Great Lakes Region will be hosting the 49th Central Meet this coming summer from July 15th to the 18th in Sandwich, Illinois. Our region has been asked to help by providing membership to help with the field entrance checks as the vehicles are registered for the judging field. Here are the days & hours that the NIR is needed for the Central Meet Safety Field Check. Let Brad and Mike know when you can do your part to help out.

Sunday July 15th: 1–5 PM

Monday July 16th: 8-10 AM and 4-6 PM

Tuesday July 17th: 8-9 AM



Mike Kohler and Brad Adcock will be again hosting our 23rd Annual Holiday Party. We hope you all will attend and enjoy a great time at the Village Squire Restaurant in East Dundee, Illinois. See you there and Happy Holidays!

GLR Member Elected to New National Board Position

Congratulations to GLR member, Jim Boyk on being elected to the new 7B Area Director position. Jim has been a long time and very active member of the VCCA and the Great Lakes Region. Jim lives in Lisle. The NIR congratulates Jim and wishes him good luck!