

Winter Convention Guidelines



The Minneapolis-Moline Collectors Inc. [MMCI] welcomes your interest in hosting a Winter Convention for our club. The following list identifies our guidelines. The club will provide a contact person to answer questions and help coordinate your efforts.

1. The club prefers a hotel large enough to accommodate the majority of members and a vendor/display area if possible, or several motels close together for convenience and easy access.
2. The host makes all arrangements for the banquet including speaker or entertainment, door prizes, and favors. Reservations and payment for the banquet must be done prior to the convention; host determines cut-off dates and accepts reservations and payments, unless other arrangements are agreed upon between the host and MMCI.
3. The host and MMCI will each appoint a spokesperson to be a contact person.
4. The host should encourage an auctioneer to donate services and time for the auction -- a required activity. The club will provide ring men and clerk the sale. MMCI will send the auctioneer a receipt for services rendered. MMCI retains commission [currently 10%].
5. Other activities could include workshops, special programs, and tours of area interests.
6. A maximum of \$2,500.00 will be available for reasonable and customary expenses. Convention expense items must be approved by the directors and bills presented to the club treasurer for payment.
7. MMCI will provide financial resources so that reduced banquet prices for children 12 and under can be offered as an encouragement to the "next generation of collectors". MMCI Board encourages a family-oriented banquet and reasonably-priced banquet tickets.
8. Each host will be responsible for getting advertising copy to the *MM Corresponder* so that the Winter Convention information will appear in two issues before the event. The *MM Corresponder* submission date deadlines: October 1 and January 1.
9. Host will provide webmaster of www.minneapolismolinecollectors.org with show information.
10. We ask that when hosts are assigning vendor table locations, they ensure that MMCI tables and the *MM Corresponder* [Mohr Family] tables are next to one another.
11. The host will not charge MMCI or the *MM Corresponder* magazine for vendor tables, but may charge all other vendors selling for profit (NOT those exhibiting a display). Selling M-M related items is preferred. Vendors may sell off-brands as long as also selling Minneapolis-Moline items.

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