

## West Region RE - Blue Bars

I was visiting with one of our governors and the topic of philanthropy came up. I got to thinking about the various ways our NCCC clubs contribute to the communities we live in. At the top NCCC raffles a car each year to benefit the National Kidney Foundation. Several local clubs also contribute to this organization. Clubs also donate funds to the Children's Miracle Network, St Jude's Children's Ranch and a variety of local charities like Christmas "adoption" programs. The competition events held are the way most of our clubs raise the money they then donate. Some clubs also participate in events to raise awareness for causes like the Cancer Society's Relay for Life, Shriner's Hospitals for Children, and various veterans' programs. We just participated in events where the proceeds went to fund a scholarship to the local community college. For me, part of the reason Corvette people are so much fun is because they have so much heart. When you give a Christmas gift to a child who has never had one before, the look in that child's eyes is enough to warm your heart for months, maybe even years. I am proud to be part of such a caring and human organization.

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