



## September 2006 Gold Wing Road Riders Association

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M A K E - A - D I F F E R E N C E

### National News

Reminder on previously released news.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Attached is a Press Release for a change in hours of Operation for the Home Office effective August 7, 2006.

The "Hours of Operation" for the Member Services team will be from 6:30 am to 5:30 pm Monday thru Thursday. This should help with a lot of the "Just Missed" calls from the Members. With the enhanced access via the web and the ten hour phone coverage for the Members we saw our Friday call volume drop to a minimum.

Event Management and Wing World will match those hours as well. As for myself, you can still reach me any time at my home number of 602-485-3850 or my cell number of 509-430-7143. Both numbers are message capable and, if I am not immediately available, I will return your call as soon as possible.

Warm Regards,  
Don Brock

### **From The Region Director**

"Watch for Ponding Water". Guess I need to get out more often. Thought I had seen practically every type of warning sign. Upon returning from the PA State Rally on the PA Turnpike, their electronic warning system had "Watch for Ponding Water". Whatever happened to "Flooded Highway" or "Water on Roadway"? Being on a motorcycle (yes, I did ride for those who like to bust my chops), I appreciated the warning. With all the publicity surrounding the motorcycle accident of the Pittsburgh Steelers' Quarterback, I kept looking for an electronic sign that read "Wear a helmet while you still have a head!" Oh well, maybe next year when I am returning from the PA Rally. You just never know what new sign Penn DOT may have in store for us!

Congratulations to the Bob & Marcy Gabriele and all of Pennsylvania for putting on another outstanding rally in Lancaster, PA. Every year I try to describe the theme effort by the PA Chapters, but you really need to be there to enjoy the full effect. Their Piñatas were fantastic, so thank you PA Chapters. The Saturday night banquet was highlighted by a slide-show tribute to 911 as we approach the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of a tragic event that shall never be forgotten. We were able to certify 6 bike show judges, so my special thanks to the folks from Ohio who came to the rally so that we may complete the certification process.

Bob & Marcy announced that they will be stepping down after 3 years as Directors and introduced Chuck and Evelyn Stone as the next Pennsylvania District Directors, (paperwork pending of course to be politically correct). Chuck & Evelyn may be secretly hoping that the paperwork does not get approved; I will give you an inside tip. As a matter of fact, if you were at the banquet Bob & Marcy told a story with a very appropriate response that is also applicable in this case. So Chuck & Evelyn, if you think that you may not get approved I defer to the Bob & Marcy answer...I don't think so!

On a serious note, and I know I am also speaking on behalf of the Region, thank you Bob & Marcy for the countless hours, the joys & the challenges. My thanks to your staff for serving the membership and being supportive throughout the Region.

Our dedicated Region Trainers, Dottie & Ed Bahrenburg will be conducting the Region's 3<sup>rd</sup> Fun Shop this November 10, 11, & 12 in Vernon, CT, the site of this year New England Rally. More information to come, but you may want to mark those dates down in your calendar and we look forward to seeing all who can attend.

Big things happening in New Jersey and I am not talking about more toll booths, rising car insurance, increasing property taxes, or new Soprano episodes.

In two weeks, it is time for the explosive, never know what may happen, crazy Jersey mania, at the New Jersey District Rally in scenic, suburban, wooded, hardly any traffic, Mount Olive, NJ.

Mike & Julie Walters and all the wild and wacky folks from NJ are ready to welcome and overwhelm you with a fun-filled time. If you think F-Troop is nuts, wait until some of the other Chapters show up. I may not know much, but I know Joisey, so come on out. As Crazy Eddie once said in his commercials, the NJ Rally is insane!!!!!! (Ok, so I took a little liberty with what he said...have a problem with that....come out to the rally, tell me face to face, and let the fun begin)!

Better start cleaning your six-shooter and rifle. Winterthing is going "Western" and Ms Kitty is looking for a few good men (600 I think). Not sure why, so I guess we will all have to go to Winterthing in January to find out. Sheriff Charles Gallagher and the posse will keep you safe from all those bandits that want to rob you as you ride in on your mighty steed (Stage Coach for some). After all, they have the "badges. Personally, I don't think they need those stinkin badges. (Ok so you caught me again, a little liberty from a movie. Give a guy a break)! Can't remember the last time I missed a Winterthing. By the way, you can all do me a favor. Don't remind the folks in Maryland that I took a pot-shot (fits the Western Theme) at the Washington Redskins last year. I plan to keep low, so perhaps they all forgot!!! This low key operation will have the code name...GO EAGLES!!!

Time to wrap it up. I am feeling a little depressed. Rainy Sunday, Linda left for a one week training session in Virginia, so it looks like Marcus, Ariel, and I are on our own. I know what will cheer me up, I will listen to some Kenny Chesney while both cats and I will work out on the scratching post.

Ride safe and be well!!!

Sincerely,

*Jere & Linda Goodman*  
*Northeast Region*  
*Directors*  
***BEEP! BEEP!***

### **From The Region Assistants**

Ahhhhh....that feels good! We can breathe again, but only for a little while, between rallies, that is.

We're finally home after a jaunt to Colonial Williamsburg, prior to our stay in Lancaster for the PA rally. Coming from RI and our urban surroundings, we are always amazed at the vastness of the countryside in the other Districts we travel, in route to some of these great rallies. Somehow, those cornfield road barriers just seem more comforting than the likes of our concrete "Jersey" barriers. For residents of these beautiful districts, a simple corn stock or pumpkin patch is perhaps very mundane to all of you, just as our ocean views, rocky coastlines and sea mist breezes are routine sites to us. That's what makes riding our motorcycles and visiting other districts such an adventure. So, here we are home (for a few days) reflecting on the latest one, the PA rally. We wish to commend Bob & Marcy Gabriele and their entire staff for hosting such a great, well organized and successful rally, again this year in Lancaster. Everyone's hard work and dedication to producing this event was quite apparent throughout the entire weekend. They pulled it off with "symphonic" grace. There was great energy and excitement permeating through the facility all weekend. Kudos to everyone! Great job! We loved those piñatas.

We also want to congratulate Chuck and Evelyn Stone on their new appointment as incoming PA District Directors. Congratulations also go out to everyone who was appointed to their staff. In the spirit of our rookie year goal of "Getting to know you"--we look forward to meeting with all of you and getting a chance to learn more about "what's doing in PA". Perhaps it could be sooner than later, if we get the opportunity to connect at the New Jersey rally.

If you attended the ice cream social at the New England Districts Rally in Vernon, CT., you will be familiar with the name *Fred Rau*. Fred was our guest speaker and educated us on the history of GWRRA among other great stories and antidotes. If you missed this event, you will have another opportunity to meet Fred, up close and personal in November. We are pleased to have Fred Rau as our keynote speaker for the very first **FunShop New England**.

Fred Rau is a "Grandfathered" Life Member of the GWRRA who worked in GWRRA National Office late 70's & early 80's. He was a Member National Council, Assistant National Director Rider Education, Editor of *Wing World Magazine* for 3 yrs, Former Editor of *Road Rider Magazine*, Co-founder &, Sr. Editor *Motorcycle Consumer News* and has racked up over one Million Documented miles on more than 350 different motorcycles in 12 countries. He is a very interesting person, to say the least. You can listen to him at the FunShop, the weekend of November 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>.

We have added an ice cream social and FUN on Friday night, because you can't have one, without the other. Another addition is a Dessert and Social Hour on Saturday evening, which should also include some FUN. It will be held at the same location as this year's New England Rally, namely, the Quality Inn & Conference Center, 51 Hartford Turnpike (State Route 83)Exit 63 off Interstate Route 84, Vernon, CT. 860-646-5700. Reserve Rooms through Kathy Minor \$84 per night before November 1, 2006. Dottie Bahrenburg, our Northeast Region Trainer, is in the process of finalizing the seminar topics and presenters and all additional pertinent details will be forthcoming.

The upcoming year of 2007 will be exciting as well as challenging for our region. This year will see numerous shifts and new appointments of many district director and district staff positions. In our attempt to make the transition smoother for all involved, it is our goal to be able to offer many more training opportunities this year, in the form of Horizons programs and Fun Shops, such as this one. We ask that you encourage (with great enthusiasm) all new directors, staff members, as

*Lorraine & Earl Knight  
Northeast Region Assistants  
RI District Directors*



## **Leadership Training**

### **Make Success a Habit**

Ask any person to list three of their worst habits, and they probably will tell you 10 without pausing. We all have those maddening impulses we call "bad habits." We recognize the stress they cause in our lives and we skillfully make promises to change our ways but again and again, we repeat the same tired patterns.

You may have heard the story about a teacher who once illustrated the power of bad habits in the following manner. She took a roll of thread and wrapped it one time around a student's wrists that were placed together. "This represents the power of doing something one time," she explained. "Can you break the thread?"

The student easily did so. Then the teacher wrapped the thread many times around the wrists and repeated the challenge to break them. Despite real effort, the thread was too strong to be broken. "This is the power of repeated actions, or habits," she explained.

Habits are deeply ingrained behaviors such as being disorganized, running late, or excessive complaining. Habits have tremendous strength — more than most people realize or admit.

Not all habits need to be bad habits. In his book *"The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People"* Stephen R. Covey starts with the concept that in the end, the only person you can control is yourself. It is up to you to take responsibility to develop your capabilities and exercise the effective habits necessary to become successful.

It all starts with perceptions. We each have the ability to rethink our habitual perceptions and as Covey puts it, "change the paradigm", our interpretation of the world around us. Covey suggests the following seven habits:

1. **Be proactive:** Make your own choices on how to respond to a decision or challenge. Take responsibility for your own actions. Do not be reactive. Let your own values drive your decisions. Too many times we can be influenced by the opinion of others and lose sight of our own values and our value to the organization.
2. **Begin with the end in mind:** All things are created twice. First determine what you want to accomplish, and then create a plan to get there. By focusing on what you want to accomplish first you can be a leader. Covey uses an example of a group charged with the task of cutting a new trail through a dense jungle. The leader is the one who climbs the tree and announces to the group, this is the wrong jungle while the others are heads down drawing plans and starting to chop their way through. It doesn't matter how hard you work if you are in the wrong jungle.
3. **Organize Your Time Around Your Priorities:** Practice good time management. What is really important? How urgent is an issue? Does it require your immediate attention? Top priorities are both important and urgent. Some things are important but not urgent and some things may seem urgent but are not really important. Look at the work on your desk. Are you spending a lot of time on things that seem urgent but are really not?
4. **Think Win Win.** Your success in any interaction should not be at the cost of someone else's success. Do not feel that the only way you can succeed is by "beating" the other person.
5. **Seek First to Understand, Then to be Understood:** See the solution to a problem from the other person's point of view. This will give you a new perspective on your viewpoint. It will also help you better communicate your concerns, priorities and solutions. Listen first with the intent to understand, not just to convince the other person. Don't fall into the trap of proposing a solution before you understand the situation. Covey calls this empathic listening. You are giving the other person "psychological air". By listening first,

- you enable others to get their points across and create an atmosphere of trust. There is an old saying, "We have two ears and one mouth. Listen twice as much as you speak."
6. **Synergize.** This is based on the concept that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts. Creative cooperation will bring the best results.
  7. **Take Time to Sharpen the Saw.** Covey uses the example of a person who observes a neighbor sawing down a tree. The neighbor looks totally exhausted and has made little progress over several hours. The observer suggests the neighbor stop for a few minutes to sharpen the saw. The reaction is "I don't have time to stop, I am too busy sawing". Take time to sharpen your saw. This makes all the other six habits possible.

Based on an article, *Make Success a Habit* by Robert S. Shultz.

### **FunShop; *The Joy is in the Journey***

Come join us in Vernon, CT, on November 10-12, 2006, for a weekend of fun, friends and seminars.

The theme this year will be *The Joy is in the Journey*. So come and enjoy the weekend as we continue our journey with training through GWRRA.

Fred Rau will be the keynote speaker at the FunShop. Fred is a Life Member of GWRRA who worked in the National Office in the late 70's and early 80's. He is a past editor of *Wing World Magazine* and *Road Rider Magazine*. He is co-founder and senior editor of *Motorcycle Consumer News*. Mr. Rau has racked up more than one million miles on 350 different motorcycles in 12 countries.

Arrive early! Friday evening there will be an ice cream social that you will not want to miss.

Saturday will be filled with seminars. Rider Education will offer the Co-Rider Seminar, Road Captain seminar, Motorcycle Crash Scene Response, and Reducing Your Risk. Seminars will also be available on Bike Judging, Public Relations, Couple of the Year Program, GPS, Public Speaking and many more.

Sunday will be an opportunity for interested individuals to go through the training to become Rider Education Seminar Presenters or Leadership Training Instructors. First Aid / CPR will also be offered during the day on Sunday.

If you read the article above, take time to sharpen the saw by sharpening your skills at the FunShop.

Check out the Registration form on the Region website or email Dottie Bahrenburg, Region Trainer, at [wingin-it@stny.rr.com](mailto:wingin-it@stny.rr.com)

*Dottie & Ed Bahrenburg,  
Northeast Region Trainers*



## Membership

The most useful tool available to the Membership Coordinators is the Area Run List (formerly known as the Greenbar). It lists the current information on all members of GWRRA that is stored in the databanks of GWRRA headquarters in Phoenix. We have fielded many questions on what some of the columns of the list mean and what use they are to us. Let's take a look and the most popular questioned columns:

New	Chapter	Officer	Chp_Ovr	MasterNo	TOT Spon	YTD Spon
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The first two columns are the primary targets for Coordinators. The "New" and "Chapter" columns indicate that the listed member has recently joined GWRRA and lives in the area of the indicated chapter. These members should be immediately contacted by both the District MC and the Chapter MC.

The District MC should provide some basic information and a list of all Chapters, meeting places and personal contacts to give the new members the opportunity to visit and participate in any and all chapters they wish. However, most importantly, the indicated Chapter's MC should contact the new members to welcome them, answer any questions about our "family" and extend a personal invitation to attend the next chapter event. The initial contacts at the chapter and district levels are the all important "first impressions" that the members experience and are the most important introductory steps in building our active chapters.

The "Officer" column indicates that the member is an officer (i.e. Director, Assistant Director, etc.) of GWRRA and can be contacted for assistance in any GWRRA related matter.

The most questioned column, the "Chp\_Ovr" (Chapter Override) indicates that the member has chosen to participate in the indicated chapter, which is outside of the area where the member lives. As members of GWRRA, we are all welcome and encouraged to participate in any chapter or chapters we chose whether we live in their area or not. Many of our members have friends or relatives who live in another area and choose to participate with them. If the member lives in the geographical area of Chapter A, but chooses to participate in Chapter B, Chapter B will be shown in the "Chapter" Column and the "Chp\_Ovr" will be checked.

The "MasterNo" is the numbered registration of the member who has met all the requirements set forth by the GWRRA Rider Education Division and has attained the title of Elite Master Tour Rider. These distinguished members are easily recognized by the numbered Master Tour Rider patch on their vests.

The "TOT Spon" column proudly shows the recruitment efforts of the member by indicating the *Total* number of new members he/she has *Sponsored*. The "YTD Spon" columns indicates the *Year-to-Date* (from January 1<sup>st</sup>) number of new members sponsored. As we have said before, word-of-mouth and personal contact is the number one proven method of membership recruitment. Our members who actively share our "fun" and recruit new members are recognized as a very important part of our organization and rewarded through our Membership Enhancement Division. Four of the top 10 recruiters in our Region B are from New Hampshire with a total of 936 new members. Mr. Edward Lewis of NH-A tops the list with 531 new members sponsored (as shown on the July Area Run List.).

The GWRRA Membership Recruitment and Retention Program is essential to the growth and prosperity of our organization. As you know, its importance has been brought forth in the form of written articles, recognition awards, topical talks and presentations. What better gift can you give to your fellow motorcycle rider than to share the FUN of GWRRA?

*Roy & Chris Bill  
Northeast Region Membership Coordinators*



## **Rider Education**

Hi everyone! We have all heard of Arai helmets and a lot of us either now or have in the past used Arai helmets. This is a recall notification aimed at those who still have Arai helmets.

### **ARAI LAUNCHES VOLUNTARY EFFORT TO CORRECT HELMETS WITH LOOSE TRIM-STRIPS**

#### **Also Extends Affected-Helmet Warranties To Make "All Arai Customers Satisfied"**

(Bethlehem, PA) Arai Helmets has announced a voluntary program to repair those helmets that have experienced a loosening of the flexible trim strip around the helmet's lower perimeter. (The loosening was traced to a limited number of helmets in a production run some time ago, and has since been corrected.)

Arai will also extend its standard five-year warranty by an additional two years to give all affected consumers time to respond and be covered. "We want to accommodate everybody and make all our customers happy," said Brian M. Weston, Director of Operations. "Our first priority is to get the strips re-fastened and returned as quickly as possible, and to allow the extra warranty time for everyone to respond."

As an added customers courtesy and to encourage the immediate return of the affected helmets, Arai is offering a limited "Pre-Paid Return" offer for all helmets returned on or before September 29, 2006. Arai has made special arrangements with "The UPS Stores<sup>®</sup>" to pack and ship helmets at no charge through 09/29/06. Helmets shipped on or after October 2, 2006 would revert to the normal warranty program procedures.

For full details, affected consumers should go to [www.araiamericas.com/qcs\\_query\\_tech.html](http://www.araiamericas.com/qcs_query_tech.html) to register helmets for repair and begin the process. This address is for Lower Trim Strip repairs only. All other warranty inquiries must use the normal warranty channels.

#### **SPECIAL NOTICE:**

**Customers are strongly urged not to attempt to make the repair themselves!**

**Although it may seem simple enough, there is no way to know how the adhesive you use may affect the helmet material, paint, decals, or the trim strips and bond.**

**We have received some helmets on which self-repair had been attempted. In a number of these cases the adhesive and/or application of it caused irreversible damage to the helmet's finish that Arai personnel, working extra hard and long to correct the marring, could not erase all traces of it.**

**As we said above, the problem has been identified and solved, and we have the proper adhesive on hand to make an "invisible" repair.**

In case you haven't heard, Burt & Lisa Weed our new Chapter F Educators in Maine and Frank Germa, Asst. Region B Educator, have been working on setting up a Trailing course in Lincoln Maine. To my knowledge this will be the first. Starting with this trailing course and Bob Corriveau, Asst. Region Educator, going through New England giving seminars etc. we can bring additional training to New England. We are looking for new Chapter Educators and more qualified seminar presenters to help meet that goal. If you are in the Northern part of the Region and would like a seminar presented or to become a Seminar Presenter yourself contact Bob Corriveau or me.

Keeping with the same theme, there is more training and fun coming to New England. Our Region Trainers Ed & Dottie Bahrenburg have been working real hard to bring a Fun Shop closer to the Northern part of our Region. It will be held in Vernon Ct. on Nov. 10-12 2006. They have held other extremely successful Fun Shops in different locals and now its coming to the North Country. There is, or will be a flier coming soon. This is from Ed & Dottie in last month's newsletter.

#### FunShop Northeast

Exciting News!!! We had such a great time at the FunShop in March that we have scheduled the next FunShop for this coming November. The Region will be hosting a FunShop on November 10-12, 2006, at the Quality Inn and Conference Center in Vernon, CT. This FunShop promises to be even more exciting than the last two!

The FunShop is a training weekend with a variety of topics and information presented. Dick Norton, Region Educator, already has some great seminars lined up. Leadership Training will present a variety of seminars also. We are looking for input to see what seminars you would like to see presented. Please send us any suggestions [wingin-it@stny.rr.com](mailto:wingin-it@stny.rr.com)

Rider Education Seminar Presenter Training, First Aid/ CPR, Leadership Training Instructor Training will be available.

Watch for a flyer and sign up soon!

*Dottie & Ed Bahrenburg,  
Northeast Region Trainers*

I've been to a few of these Fun Shops and believe me the emphasis is on FUN. Look for the flier and sign-up sheet for complete details. On Sunday Nov. 12 there will be a course to certify you to become a Rider Ed Seminar Inst.

*Northeast Region Educator  
Dick Norton*



#### **MAD-Motorist Awareness Division**

As some of you are aware, GWRRA has embarked upon a mission to reduce the number of accidents and near misses that occur between motorcycles and other highway users. The Motorist Awareness Division has been assigned this responsibility. "Ride Aware!" is GWRRA's campaign to achieve this end.

The success of the "Ride Aware!" campaign is solely dependent upon the initiative, originality and enthusiasm of the Motorist Awareness Division's Coordinators. MAD Coordinators function at Region, District and Chapter levels and serve as support staff for their respective directors.

MAD Coordinators have a single mission: - to reduce motorcycle/vehicle accidents through a program of awareness education. This program has a two-fold target: motorists – to increase their awareness of motorcycles, and motorcyclists – to increase their awareness of factors that decrease motorist’s awareness. Chapter Coordinators will spearhead GWRRA’s Motorist Awareness program. They will share awareness information with motorists and motorcyclists, focusing on motorists with little or no familiarity of motorcycles.

In promoting the “Ride Aware!” campaign, Chapters are encouraged to provide time for MAD Coordinators to present relevant information to Chapter participants; assist Coordinators in finding forums in which to present awareness information to motorists and helping Coordinators with the distribution of program materials. It is envisioned that “Ride Aware!” initiatives will encompass grocery stores, Department of Motor Vehicle offices, automobile shows and retail stores, rallies, community groups, clubs and schools. In short, “Ride Aware!” should seek to educate the public wherever people gather and are accessible. Region and District MAD coordinators will support similar ventures at their respective levels. It is desired that every MAD coordinator conduct one motorist/general public event annually.

*If you’ve been standing on the sidelines, now is your time to take the field. You can do so by becoming a MAD Coordinator and by promoting the “Ride Aware!” program in your area. If you know of anyone who would like more information about the program, have them call or e-mail us.*

*Keith & Kathleen Eddy  
Northeast Motorist Awareness Division Coordinators*



## **Public Relations**

The end of August is fast approaching . The extreme heat we had in June and July, is behind us. Now the really nice weather is upon us. This in our opinion, is the best riding season. We will all, I’m sure, be out there just enjoying the ride. This is also a very good time to do some Public Relations work.

We did up a small packet, which we carry on the bike and in the car, in the packet we included, a short history of GWRRA, a membership form and our name and e-mail address.

As we travel, we come across many motorcycles, if the driver is present we stop talk and offer them the packet, if not we leave it in plain site on the bike.

The nice weather allows all of us to be out and about a lot more, what better time to promote the greatest Motorcycle Association in the world GWRRA.

When you begin to tell people about the many things GWRRA has to offer their members, people become very interested.

This is where the packets come in handy. Sometimes reading something, sinks in a lot faster. Give it a try.

We hope you all will continue to promote GWRRA and always in a positive and true light. Remember when you wear your vests or Chapter shirts , you are advertising GWRRA. Do yourself and the Association proud, always present a positive image. “Friends for Fun, Safety and Knowledge”, no more needs to be said.

*Mort & Ruth Smith  
International PR Newsletter Editors; N.E., Northeast Region, PA. District PR Coordinators*



## **Region Couple of the Year 2005-2006**

Hello to all of you in Region B. We attended the 2006 Pennsylvania Rally in Lancaster from August 23rd to August 26th. The Pennsylvania District staff really outdid themselves this year. If you were unable to attend, you missed a great time. There were 32 vendors on hand selling anything that you could possibly want. The 2006 Gold Wing was won by someone from New Jersey. He was unable to attend the rally but was notified by friends even before the banquet was over.

The trailer was won by Pat Geissler, who along with her husband, Gordon, are the new Pennsylvania Southeast Assistant District Directors. It was a very busy 4 days for Carol and me.

As the 2006 Pennsylvania District Couple, we helped to put on the Couple of the Year program. We were the official escorts to the couples involved in the selection process and helped count the ballots to determine who would be the new 2007 Pennsylvania Couple. The couple selected is from Chapter O of Shelocta, Pennsylvania. Shelocta is in the middle of the State and the home of Indiana University. All nine of the couples in the selection process were very good and as one of the people counting the ballots, I can tell you that it was very close. I am glad that I wasn't involved in the decision making. Carol and I were asked to become the new Pennsylvania Couple of the Year Coordinators, a position, which we readily accepted. We feel that between serving in this position and as your current Region B Couple, we can make a difference. The Couples program is very rewarding and a terrific way to meet new people and experience the best that GWRRA has to offer. It also is a way for each and every chapter in all eleven states of Region B to honor those who are special to your chapter. To you chapter directors and your assistants I say to you that you all have someone who stands out. Someone who was there when you needed help and that you know will be there next time. These people are the backbone of your chapter and you could not get things accomplished without them. You depend on these people because there is too much for you to do by yourself. Do you appreciate them? If you do, show them. Make them your Chapter Couple. I couldn't believe it when I heard that some of the chapters in Region B did not have a Chapter Couple. Every chapter has outstanding people. Every chapter has someone special that deserves recognition. Show them that you appreciate the help that they are giving you. Until next time!

*Steve & Carl; Daley  
Region 2006-2007 Couple of the Year*



**NE Region & District Web Pages**

- Northeast Region B at ..... <http://www.gwrra-northeastregion.org>
- Connecticut at ..... <http://www.gwrra-ct.org>
- Maine at ..... <http://www.geocities.com/gwrramaine/index.html>
- Maryland at ..... <http://www.gwrra-md-district.org>
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- Delaware.....TBA
- New Hampshire at.....<http://www.orgsites.com/nh/gwrra>
- New Jersey at ..... <http://www.gwrranj.org>
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**Events listed from Motorcycle Sounds**

**REGIONAL EVENTS:**

Aug. 31-Sep. 2, Region E Rally, "Motorcycle Memories," Des Moines, IA

**DISTRICT EVENTS:**

**SEPTEMBER - 2006**

- Sep. 1-3, ID District, Idaho District Rally, (Labor Day Weekend), Pocatello, ID
- Sep. 1-4, CA District, California District Rally, Santa Clara, CA
- Sep. 7-9, CO District, Colorado District Rally, Cortez, CO
- Sep. 7-10, NJ District, New Jersey District Rally, Mt.Olive, NJ
- Sep. 21-23, NC District, North Carolina District Rally, "Wings over the Smokies", Fletcher, NC
- Sep. 23-25, KS District, Kansas District Rally, TBA
- Sep. 29-October 1, NM District, New Mexico District Rally, Alamagordo, NM

**OCTOBER - 2006**

Oct. 5-8, VA District, Virginia District Rally, "Rally in the Valley", Salem V