



## NEWS FROM NATIONAL

FROM: Wynne Smith, Executive Director  
TO: BMW CCA National and Service Officers,  
Chapter Presidents, Newsletter Editors  
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### MEMBERSHIP STATS as of 12/21/2006

	<u>Full</u>	<u>Associate</u>	<u>Total</u>
Current Membership	<b>65897</b>	<b>9814</b>	<b>75801</b>
Last Month's Membership	<b>65,892</b>	<b>9,739</b>	<b>75,631</b>
Monthly Net Gain (Loss)	95	75	190
Monthly % Change	.08%	.07%	.22%
Last Year's Membership	<b>65,800</b>	<b>9,286</b>	<b>75,086</b>
Annual Net Gain (Loss)	187	528	715
Annual % Change	.28%	.69%	.95%
2004's Membership	<b>66,625</b>	<b>8,686</b>	<b>75,311</b>
Net Gain (Loss) for 2 years	<b>-638</b>	1,128	490
% Change for 2 years	<b>-1.04</b>	2.99%	0.65%
New Members, 12/06	1,003		
Renewals, 12/06	50.2%		
Roundels Mailed	67,000		

### BMW CCA MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The 2006 – 2007 BMW CCA Membership drive began **December 1, 2006** – and apparently it's paying off already since we welcomed **1,003** new members to the club and saw an overall net gain of **95** members this past month. Tarheel, Peachtree and North Star chapters have hit the decks running with the largest rise in new members so far – good work everyone!

The rules have been posted to the website. The drive begins **December 1, 2006** and runs through **September 14, 2007** – all prizes to be awarded at Oktoberfest, Fort Worth.

Need apps? Send an email to [elizabeth@bmwcca.org](mailto:elizabeth@bmwcca.org). Have questions? Want an electronic version of the rules - email me at [wynne\\_smith@bmwcca.org](mailto:wynne_smith@bmwcca.org).

### CHAPTER PO BOX REGISTRATION

Here's something you may want to consider, especially at the end of the year. If you don't know whose name your PO Box is registered in, it may be a good idea to check with your local post office. I was told that very recently a renewal came up for one chapter's box, but, because the person whose name it had been listed in was no longer active in the chapter, the renewal was not possible. A small matter, but one easy to avoid with a little foresight.

### TECHFEST TACOMA 2007

Don't delay – registration is open and we have over twenty outstanding speakers and presenters lined up -- by the time we're finished we expect to have closer to 40 on a variety of fascinating BMW technical topics. Have you noticed the announcement on the BMW CCA Website? None other than **Csaba Csere**, editor-in-chief of *Car and Driver* will be joining us at TechFest 2007 as the keynote speaker. <https://www.bmwcca.org/TechFest/Registration>

**CHAPTER CONGRESS APRIL 20 – 22, 2007**

Only *two* chapters have registered for the Chapter Congress – don't delay - three very lucky chapter representatives will be traveling to Valley Forge for this opportunity to learn and network with other Chapter volunteers April 20-22, 2007.

BMW CCA will reimburse travel expenses as set forth in Section IV of the club's Operation Manual (pages 1 and 2) for up to *three* representatives per chapter, **being those persons serving as the Chapter President, Treasurer and the Chapter Membership Chair/Coordinator** and hotel room costs (single or double) for two nights. Attendees who drive to the conference will be reimbursed at a rate of \$.485 per mile round trip, not to exceed the lowest 21-day advance airfare, from the closest airport. **National will provide lunch on Saturday and dinner Saturday evening.** Chapters may certainly elect to send additional attendees at the chapter's cost – be sure to register and we'll sort the finances out afterward.

Try to get there Friday afternoon because you won't want to miss the Delaware Valley Chapter's Friday evening reception.

To register for the congress please visit: <http://www.bmwcca.org/congress>

No need to call the hotel - rooms will be reserved in your names based on the registrations.

**FORMS**

As the Operations Manual indicates: BMW CCA exists to provide services to its members and chapters. Providing timely, responsive service to members and chapters requires timely, accurate information from members and chapters. Much of the information needed for club administration is provided by chapters and individuals on standardized forms.

Chapter forms are all available on the [www.bmwcca.org](http://www.bmwcca.org) website – if you have difficulty downloading, or filling them out and need hard copies, contact me. The following forms are due **January 19, 2007**:

- Chapter Comp Listing Request**
- Chapter Label Request**

**Chapter Officer Questionnaire** – this form must be submitted annually or as changes occur (whichever is sooner), by chapters to report the contact information for individuals elected or appointed to fill positions of responsibility within the chapter. This information on this form provides the basis for distribution of information from the National Office and Regional Vice President to chapters. This form is mandatory and due at the National Office not later than March 31 of each year and thereafter as changes occur throughout the year. Questions on preparing this form should be directed to the BMW CCA National Office.

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*The National Office will be closed Monday, January 1 for the New Year Holiday and Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> for Martin Luther King Day.*

**National Office Holiday Schedule 2007**

- **January 1, 2006:** New Year's Day
- **January 15, 2006:** Martin Luther King Day
- **February 19, 2006:** Presidents Day
- **May 28, 2006:** Memorial Day
- **July 4, 2006:** Independence Day
- **September 4, 2006:** Labor Day
- **October 9, 2006:** Columbus Day
- **November 12, 2006:** Veterans' Day
- **November 22 - 23, 2006:** Thanksgiving Day & Friday
- **December 24 -25, 2006:** Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

*And as always, best regards-*

*Wynne*

## BMW CCA Chapter Membership Standings for December, 2006

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Chapter Name</u>	#	#	Percent
		<u>This</u> <u>Month</u>	<u>Last</u> <u>Quarter</u>	<u>Change</u>
1	National Capital	5,470	5,456	0%
2	Golden Gate	4,224	4,257	-1%
3	Los Angeles Chapter	3,451	3,472	-1%
4	Puget Sound	3,006	3,011	-0%
5	Boston Chapter	2,990	3,015	-1%
6	New York Chapter	2,404	2,410	-0%
7	Tarheel	2,380	2,380	0%
8	New Jersey Chapter	2,312	2,332	-1%
9	Windy City	2,278	2,287	-0%
10	Peachtree	1,908	1,909	-0%
11	Ct Valley	1,740	1,748	-0%
12	Delaware Valley	1,639	1,611	2%
13	Rocky Mountain	1,610	1,577	2%
14	San Diego	1,339	1,337	0%
15	Tidewater	1,263	1,307	-3%
16	Everglades	1,223	1,208	1%
17	Buckeye	1,218	1,146	6%
18	Lone Star	1,156	1,202	-4%
19	Blue Ridge	1,089	1,082	1%
20	Florida Suncoast	1,062	1,016	5%
21	Houston Chapter	954	915	4%
22	Badger Bimmers	929	940	-1%
23	North Star	924	886	4%
24	Genessee Valley	884	915	-3%
25	Bluegrass Bimmers	858	889	-3%
26	Northern Ohio Chapter	794	790	1%
27	Roadrunner Chapter	793	781	2%
28	Kansas City Chapter	784	767	2%
29	Tejas	705	693	2%
30	Sandlapper Chapter	700	696	1%
31	Motor City	699	707	-1%
32	Sacramento Valley	632	606	4%
33	St. Louis	628	628	0%
34	Sacramento Valley	607	606	0%
35	Hoosier	600	601	-0%
36	White Mountain	596	622	-4%
37	Sunshine Bimmers	570	562	1%
38	Nittany Bimmers	557	565	-1%
39	Patroon	549	561	-2%
40	Bayou	524	480	9%
41	Allegheny Chapter	521	524	-1%
42	Michiana Chapter	499	494	1%
43	Heart of Dixie Chapter	446	445	0%

44	Missouri Valley	399	440	-9%
45	Central California	374	369	1%
46	New Mexico Chapter	349	342	2%
47	Inland Empire	334	329	2%
48	Hawaii Chapter	328	329	-0%
49	Sin City Chapter	328	334	-2%
50	First Coast	299	297	1%
51	Sonora Chapter	296	304	-3%
52	Old Hickory Chapter	275	278	-1%
53	Sunbelt	265	270	-2%
54	Wasatch Chapter	254	253	0%
55	River City Bimmers	232	231	0%
56	Illini Chapter	212	214	-1%
57	Pine Tree Chapter	197	192	3%
58	Gulf Coast	195	200	-3%
59	Smoky Mountain	188	200	-6%
60	Puerto Rico Chapter	187	194	-4%
61	Pocono Mountain	162	163	18%
62	Green Mountain Chapter	162	168	-4%
63	Choo-Choo Chapter	119	116	3%
64	Mountain State	110	111	-1%