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Happy Trails to You, Metro

• myMetro.net Editor Ned Racine Rides into the Sunset

By NED RACINE, Editor

(Nov. 12, 2008) Thank you.

On this, my last day at Metro, I want to thank all the people who have shared their stories with me during the months I have worked with myMetro.net.

With its original stories describing our agency intranet is rare among



Metro icons Ralph Kramden and myMetro.net editor Ned Racine meet up at 2007 Night of the people and activities of Metro, Stars Awards Banquet. Photo: Gayle Anderson

large organizations. Most organizations only post memos on their intranet site. We, however, cover exceptional employees and notable events.

None of that would be possible without the help of hundreds of people who answered my questions and helped me understand—sometimes not an easy thing—what they did and why it was important. Multiple managers directed me to knowledgeable employees and helped me meet insistent deadlines.

I was fortunate to meet inspired mechanics and dedicated operators and innovative technicians and creative administrators. I was given a view of the breadth of Metro's daily life and I was impressed. Metro is a collection of experts moving hundreds of thousands of people each day. I was lucky to see up close the tremendous effort that daily commitment requires.

To those whose stories I could not get to, I ask you to send your ideas and suggestions to Vivian Tran, the web content manager. Besides Vivian, I would like to acknowledge Warren Morse and Bill Heard for their commitment to a quality publication, even though it is a digital one. Thanks also to my partner in crime, Gayle Anderson, who has shaped myMetro.net more than anyone else.

I will be watching Metro's progress as it grapples with a growing population and challenging economic times.

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