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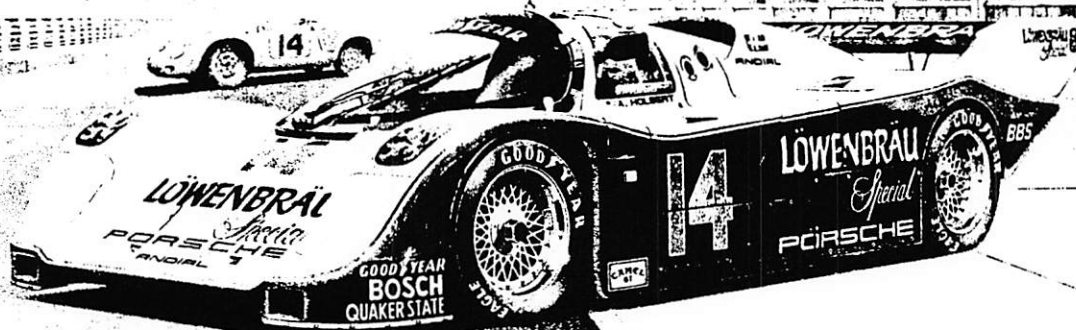
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The Awards banquet--Christmas party was the perfect ending to a great year. Receiving the 2002 Riesentöter award, the PCA License plate becoming a reality AND...

my advancing to the solo level in Drivers Education made this my best Porsche year ever.

I want to thank again our Banquet Raffle sponsors for their generosity:

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Also, thank you Mike Andrews for making us all proud by providing us the opportunity to make a most generous donation to the Make A Wish Foundation

I hope all enjoyed the Philadelphia Auto Show and our January membership meeting as much

as I did. The free admission is a great club perk.

Many thanks to the Automotive Dealers Association of Greater Philadelphia for their continued generous support of the club.

So what is your verdict on the Cayenne? Send me an email with your thoughts and I will include them in next month column as space permits....

February's Membership Meeting will be held at Dougherty's Automotive Services in West Chester, [www.das-sport.com]. The meeting will be held Wednesday, February 26, with Social at 7:30, Membership Meeting at 8:00. Address: 720 East Niels St. West Chester. Phone: 610-692-6039. Bill Dougherty and I have not finalizes our plans for the meeting. I will include details on February's meeting and the complete membership meeting schedule in next month's issue.

Dougherty Automotive is a long time friend and supporter of the Porsche Club and Riesentöter Region.



We showed you the pictures last time.

This time we give you the lowdown.

I'm talking again about the great work Mike Andrews and his crew accomplished last fall at Riesentöter's Make A Wish Watkins Glen event. In such a short time to get so much done for such a worthy cause, it's just great. Their work and the support they received from our members make me feel, well, down right proud. I didn't even do anything to help and it still feels good. Imagine the feeling to actually contribute. You have to take your hat off to Mike and his team. Not only running the DE program but pulling this off too. Great job! His update is on page 4.

The Holiday and Awards Banquet is actually our main course this month with an article from Fred Bonsall and a center spread of pictures of the event. Other cool stuff includes: the Hershey Swap Meet news on page 9 along with our membership news (1323 members!), Schattenbaum Region's Concours and Rally Weekend in Princeton on page 12, and news on this year's Porsche Parade in Florida on 11.

Here's a shock - things are changing with der Gasser. You'll notice some slight changes now [fonts] but over the next few months hopefully you'll see some more updating. I guess nothing is as constant as change. Speaking of

which, who out there would like to take this magazine to the next level? Who thinks they can do it better? Because you probably can. I think it's decent now but I know it has much more potential. That will be the work of our next editor. It is a creative job with a lot of freedom and an excellent Exec to provide direction. The club is doing great things, der Gasser should and could be better.

It may even be time to revamp how we produce this monthly with the establishment of a staff, increasing its number of pages, developing more ad space, and, as I said, going to the next level. I have always felt the support from the club for this direction of change; now is a good time to do it.

I don't intend to go anywhere in the short term but I wanted to inform everyone early, generate interest, and in the process recruit my replacement. I can stay involved in whatever capacity required during a transition that can take as long as it takes but I think it's time to start the transition of der Gasser's stewardship to new blood, more energy, and new ideas. It is a fun job with tangible rewards. If interested contact me or anyone on the Exec for more information.



If You Host It, They Will Come

by Mike Andrews, Riesentöter Track Chair

As Riesentöter members, we have the honor of belonging to one of the oldest regions in the world. And with more than 1300 members, we are also one of the largest. Over the years we have evolved and adapted to meet our members' wants and needs. As such, we offer many different programs for the Porsche enthusiast.

Rewind three years. We were looking for a club race location. The Glen had a Ferrari Club cancellation and offered it to the Porsche Club. However, the July 4th date didn't work-out well with National. This got us thinking. So, some Zone 1 and Zone 2 regions put their heads together to see if something could be done. After all, nobody had ever hosted a PCA club race at the Glen. We all thought it would be a great opportunity. The plan was to create a schedule that allowed both a DE and a club race on our normal driver ed date. We held a couple of meetings to iron out issues and the event was on. Riesentöter was hosting the first-ever PCA race at Watkins Glen, one of the most historic and exciting tracks in the USA.

During the same time frame, Tom Zaffarano was busy obtaining a club license plate from the Pennsylvania state. As a non-profit organization with a charter to provide community service, they wanted to know what we have accomplished. After some thought, the Executive Committee decided to expand our community involvement programs. The approach was to host charity events that raised money for local organizations, as well as making donations from the club's treasury.

Fast-forward to July 2002. While talking to the Glen about our August Drivers Education event, I asked if there were any days available through the

rest of the year. To my surprise they had Oct. 14th and 15th open. You see, earlier in the year the Exec had discussed changing one of our events to a charity event. At that time, the discussion centered around using the Glen event as the charity event. But after each of the committees had presented their budget for 2002, we decided we could not balance the budget without the income from the August Glen event.

That led us to start looking at other options. The next logical question was: "Would the Glen be interested in helping host a charity event?" While the Glen was pondering the request, our Executive Committee discussed the opportunity. We decided that if the Glen agreed, we would put a stake in the ground and this would become our inaugural charity event. As destiny would have it, they said they would love to help and so we geared up to make all the arrangements. Riesentöter, in conjunction with Watkins Glen International Raceway, would be hosting the first charity Drivers Education event at the Watkins Glen track. After the contracts were signed and only seven or so weeks before the actual date, a little nervousness set in. Who would be the beneficiary of the event? Would we be able to get people to attend on such short notice? Would we be able to make any money for the charity?

We made some guesses and thought we would be able to get eighty people to attend and hopefully we could raise five thousand dollars for the charity. That was our original charity goal from earlier in the year. We still didn't have a charity. Remember the Club Race at the Glen? One of our participants was Mandy Williams. She's a delightful woman from Texas with a little silver 356. She was racing and raising money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. I called her and after our conversation, I had an answer to the last question. The event would be held to benefit the Make-A-Wish (MAW) Foundation. A couple of phone calls to MAW and it was settled. There was no turning back now.

Over the next month, we made phone calls to some of the local merchants to ask for their support. We thank them for their support, and we would hope that you will continue supporting them

too. Here's the list of contributors, followed by the recipients.

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We think the event was a success. As I said earlier, we had hoped to raise \$5,000 for MAW. We held our tech session at Dougherty Automotive one week prior to the event. David Ehm donated lunch, Dougherty paid for the mechanics, and we put the \$440 for the lifts towards the charity account. We were almost one tenth of the way there. We had hoped for 80 participants and got 85 with an income of roughly \$16,000. After subtracting \$9,000 for the track rental, insurance and expenses, that gives us \$7,000 for MAW. Add that to the tech money and we're close to \$7,500. Things were looking good. We held a raffle for the donated door prizes and raised close to \$200. Taking a page from our Glen race, where we sold the garages, we decided to raffle the garages to the highest 24 bidders. With donations and the sale of the garages we raised another \$19,500 !!! . And now for the final tally - All told, our region made a donation in the neighborhood of **\$27,000** to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. We asked for your help and you came through.

Again, thanks to everyone that helped us help them. Hopefully, we will be able to continue this success with our future events. There are additional photos and information on our web site at www.rtr-pca.org.



The 2002 Annual Riesentöter Awards Banquet

by G. Frederick Bonsall, Awards Chairman
Photos by Doug Mahoney, Web Master

On a chilly Sunday afternoon in December, Riesentöters gathered once again to share camaraderie and holiday spirit at the lovely Inn at Historic Yellow Springs. And once again the annual Riesentöter Club awards were displayed and presented, but not until all had enjoyed their favorite libations upstairs and a delicious dinner downstairs. As expected and anticipated by all, "Riesentöter Fossil" T-shirts are always presented to those members who have belonged to the club for twenty years. They are Bruce Baker, Craig Rosenfeld, Terrance Malloy, Basil Snyman, Fred Michels, Michael Mandel, Edward Prescott, William McCrink and Patrick Walsh. Those who did not receive their T-shirt, please contact me and I will mail one out.

The "Case-Beidler Award", named after Jack Case and Charlie Beidler is presented to the past-president as a token of all the hard work and dedica-



tion throughout the past year. This year's recipient is of course is Craig Rosenfeld who continued and supported the great and varied choice of activities for all our Porsche enthusiasts.

John Heckman's "Annual Door Prize", awarded since 1994, was presented to the most active new member, Sean Banfield. Hopefully Sean will continue his motivation during the coming year! The "Mighty-Nitto Award" was originated by Vern Lyle and his wife. On a Saturday they purchased a 911 equipped with Mighty spark plugs and Nitto tires (neither one recognized as a go-fast goodie), and the very next day, they both won their classes in an autocross. This award is presented to the person who "Makes the Best of a

Bad Situation". This year Kurt Faller, who had just completed a re-build prior to Pocono, promptly blew a clutch dur-



ing an early session. He merely set out and did a complete tear-down and rebuild managing to not miss lunch or the driver's meeting and was back on the track to enjoy the remainder of the weekend.

The "Tattered Helmet Award" was first won by Howard Reed, who in 1970, purchased the first 914 in our region. This is awarded to the person who somehow distinguishes in a less than glorious manner. Chip "Scooter" Grimes managed to fall off a scooter in paddock at Jefferson Circuit. You Guys!!!

This year, a new award was created at the request of Steve Choi, our Rallymeister; a walnut clipboard adorned with an actual working 70's



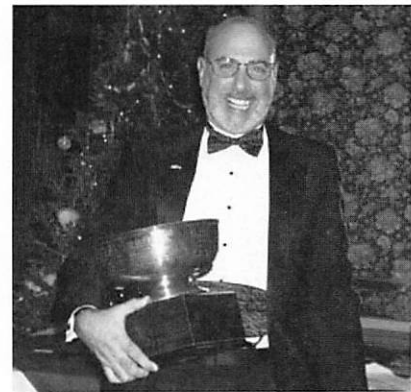
Heuer stopwatch generously donated by fellow Riesentöter, Jeff Meyers. Named for a famous rally run through all conditions, the "Press on Regardless" award is presented to the person who contributes the most to the sport of rallying. Bill O'Connell "pressed on regardless" with his assis-



tance in all three of our rallies, as well as the one held at Radnor Hunt Club. Mary Sadowski and John Custor, shown here, teamed in the highest placing Porsche in that rally.

The "High-Speed Driver Award" was originally presented to Al Anderson in 1984 and is currently presented to the track driver who shows the most improvement during the year. Christine Perot was this year's winner. The "High-Speed Instructor Award" presented for the first time in 2000, was given to one of the best, Don Cox.

The "The Riesentöter Award", originally presented to Charlie Beidler in 1959, is the oldest and most coveted award in our region. It is presented to the person or persons who in the opinion of their peers has or have made the



greatest contribution to the club over a number of years. Literally translated, "Der Beste Riesentöter des Jahres" is "Best Riesentöter of the Year". It is interesting to note that the word Riesentöter, which loosely translated means "Giant Killer", was part of the inscription long before it was adopted as the official name of the region in 1973. The unanimous choice was Tom Zaffarano, who wears many "hats", as our Vice President, occasional stand-in "hawker" for the Goodie Store and creator of our new PCA license plates. No wonder he's "number one"!

Thanks also to all the vendors who so graciously donated the fabulous door prizes and that includes our own John and Chris Crowley. Several lucky individuals went home very, very happy! Congratulations to all our winners who helped make this a truly remarkable club for and about the PORSCHE marque. Hope your holidays were happy!

P.S. If you have not received your award, please contact me, Fred Bonsall at 610-866-0505 (o) or 610-868-8827 (h) or bsaia@fast.net to make arrangements.



Scenes From A Holiday Banquet 2

by Doug Mahoney, Web Master





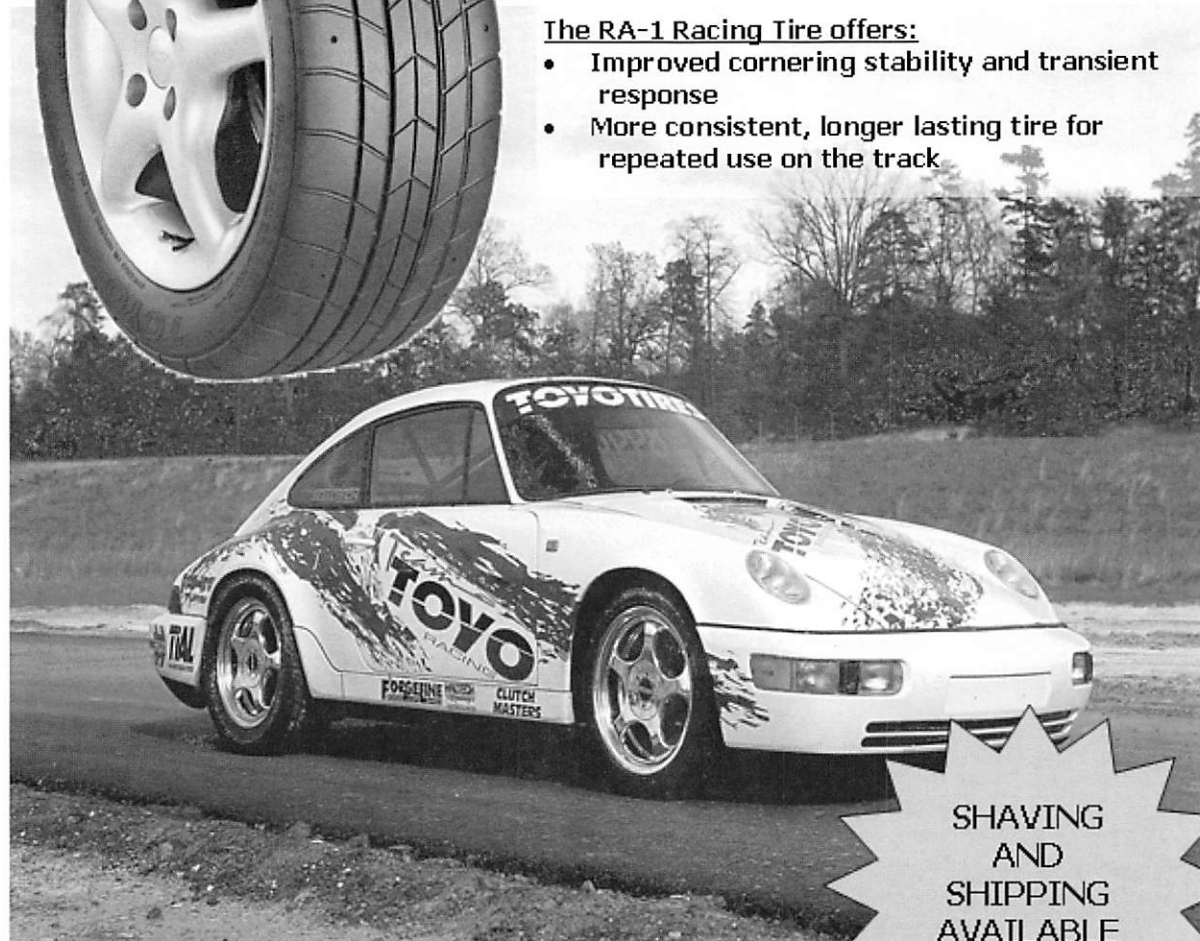


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Membership News

By Brian Minkin, Membership Chair

I would like to welcome all the new & transfer members who joined Riesentöter in November & December 2002. I encourage you to enjoy the benefits of membership in our very active region and look forward to seeing you at an event. The region now has 1323 members.

In early December 2002 I was asked by the Executive Board to send an e-mail message to the general membership with information about our holiday banquet. E-mail is a great method of distributing timely information about our region's activities. I was surprised to find that less than half our membership has registered their e-mail address with PCA. To complicate matters, about 30% of the e-mail addresses on record are no longer valid. The exec board would like to use e-mail more frequently, however it does not reach a majority of the membership. I encourage all members who did not receive the e-mail about the holiday banquet to visit the national web site www.pca.org and use the change of address form to enter or update your e-mail address.



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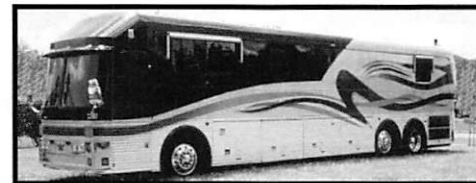
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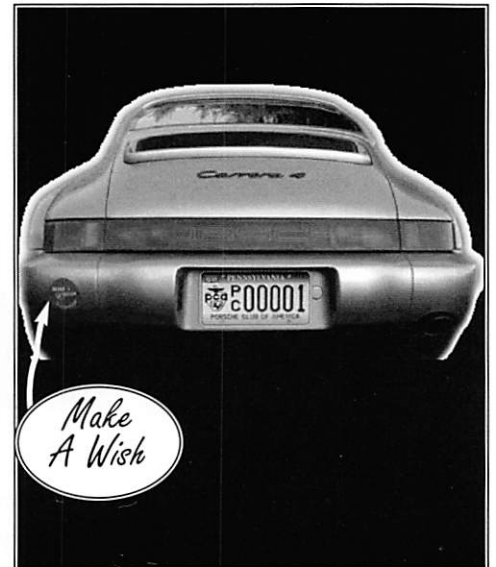
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Schattenbaum Region Hosts 24th Annual Zone 1 Concours & 6th Annual Zone 1 Rally Weekend

On May 16 - 18, 2003 the Schattenbaum Region will host the Zone 1 Concours and Rally in Princeton, NJ. As the southernmost PCA region in Zone 1, Schattenbaum hopes to attract the usual complement of participants from Zone 1 plus many of the enthusiasts from the nearby regions of Zone 2. It is expected to be one of the largest Porsche-only Concours in the US. Weekend activities will include a fully judged Concours (no undercarriages but wheel wells), a peoples choice car show (wash & shine), a rally through the countryside of Central NJ, and an old fashioned swap meet. According to Henry Hoeh, the Zone 1 Representative, "the weekend will focus on competition, fun, socializing, and charitable fund raising." Schattenbaum will continue the Zone 1 tradition with all excess proceeds benefiting Paul Newmar's Hole in the Wall Gang Camp (facilities and programs aimed to benefit seriously ill children)

Weekend activities include:

- Friday evening welcoming reception sponsored by Princeton Porsche, the area's newest dealership.
- Saturday rally through rural and historic Central NJ. (time, speed, distance)
- Saturday car preparation for the Concours.
- Saturday shuttle bus service to downtown Princeton.
- Saturday evening cocktail party, dinner, and rally awards. The guest speaker will be Leonard Turner, the Chief Photographer for Panorama. Leonard will present a slide show of his best photographs.
- Sunday Concours d'Elegance on the lawn of the Sarnoff Corporation's Research Center.
- Sunday swap meet, sales pavilion, and lots of great food and drink.

The host hotel for the weekend will be the Doral Forrester nestled in the woods off of Route 1 in Princeton. The Doral is the finest hotel in the Princeton area with its Scandinavian architecture, a full spa, indoor tennis center, indoor pool, gourmet food and a great pub for socializing. Best of all, the Doral Forrester will have a dedicated parking lot with water and electricity for concours preparation. The weekend package for Porsche people will include a buffet breakfast each morning and a discount on spa services. To book a reservation, please call the Doral Forrester at 609-452-7800 and ask for the Porsche Concours and Rally weekend rate.

Judged concours participants will have a half (0.5) point added to their raw score if they register for the event prior to April 15. The registration forms for the concours and the rally will be available on line at the Zone 1 web site (www.pca.org/zone1) or by contacting Donna Paterek, Event Registrar at 973-6355918 or paterek@aol.com

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