



Bob Grass (third from left) holds the Joe Henderson Memorial Award, with past winners (from left) John Martinsen, Bud Bohrer, Frank Manley, Karen Babb and John Forespring.

# Region banquet notes achievements

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TACOMA — The NWR Annual Awards banquet was held Feb. 19 at the Best Western Tacoma Dome Hotel where we celebrated our 2007 season. Frank Hamilton, RE, emceed the evening. A presentation on the Tire Rack Street Survival program, membership recognition, state of the region and awards filled the evening.

NWR received third place for Communications at National Convention. This award is a combination of our newsletter and Web site and all regions are judged together.

The following annual awards were presented, Congratulations to everyone.

**Mary Pang Unsung Hero Award:** As in all volunteer organizations, there are many positions and many tasks that are accomplished by many visible people in the Northwest region. The Unsung Hero Award gives us a chance to recognize someone who accomplishes many tasks without that high visibility. The winner of this award generally is another one of those obsessive-compulsive types who quietly volunteers, works their butt off, and is mostly seen on the sidelines. This trophy is to be awarded to an individual who works “behind the scenes” to further venue and Region activities. Congratulations go to Mike D. Evans

**Frank and Joan Manley Enthusiast Award:** This trophy is given to a



**Jay Shukla**

Northwest Region Member who exhibits qualities of enthusiasm and willingness to be involved in Region activities. Sometimes it is difficult to find just one person with such unbridled enthusiasm in a region like ours that has three very active venues running at a full gallop. Congratulations go to Jerry Lamb.

**Stan Burnett Inspirational Award:** This trophy was established by the family of Stan Burnett, who was killed at Seattle International Raceway while testing his racecar in 1971. It is to be awarded to an individual whose lifestyle exhibits the determination, energy, loyalty, sensitivity and love, which Stan showed in his life. Congratulations go to Jay Shukla.

**Joe Henderson Memorial**



**Mike Evans**

**Award:** This trophy was given by the family of Joe Henderson, charter member of the Region and active in SCCA for over 30 years until his death in 1982. It is to be given to a member of the Region for long and meritorious service to SCCA National, Divisional, and Regional Organizations in a leadership role. This award is selected by past recipients and is not presented every year. This year the Henderson Award was presented to Bob Grass. Congratulations.

Next February we will be celebrating the completion of 55 years as Northwest Region (1953-2008). If you have any ideas or would like to plan this event please contact any of the BOD members. We are always open to suggestions on locations as well.