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Jim Woodrum, Central Division Director

CENTRAL DIVISION DIRECTOR'S NOTES:

Hello Everyone,

If you missed the meetings and Awards Banquet at Mackinac Island you missed the largest Central Division event held in the history of the Division. We had over 220 patrollers attend the event and everyone seemed to be having a great time, in spite of the unseasonably warm weather for up North. The Northern Michigan Region ordered perfect weather and it surely arrived for everyone to enjoy. I took a small sampling and I understand that our group alone consumed over 2500 pounds of fudge and candy. Therefore you all are now considered fudgies: a name the locals give all the folks that come up North and consume fudge. To Bob and Tena Lechtanski and Dick and Candy Jacques whom pulled the most significant work load in running the event, we really appreciate all your contributions and support. We took a small vote and Dick and Candy now have a lifetime role for leading these meetings. Just kidding! Great Job by all the Northern Michigan Region Team! To our many award winners another great job, and thank you for your contributions and support to the NSP. We recognized our Division Award winners, two CD Lifetime Achievement Awards, a National Appointment and several National Award winners. These are captured on pages 9 - 11 and 14 -16. You Rock and you give all of us a level of contribution to shoot for in the future. You make my job easy and rewarding when I have the honor of recognizing your contribution. Thanks for another great year in Central and let's strive to reach even higher this coming year.

After attending the MSAA meetings and listening to Chris Stoddard, MSAA President and Executive Director, our direction is clear for the coming season: 1) continue to improve all our skiing/riding skills and 2) look for ways to bring in the younger generation into our NSP organization, they are our future. Our Area Owners/Managers want and view us as a reflection of them and they want us to look sharp. Therefore improving our image through better skiing/riding skills and our professional appearance is what will support that need. I've asked that each Region, Section, or Patrol run SES's and TES's throughout this year. We have many members of our NSP-C Ski School that stand ready and wanting to help you fulfill this need by setting up or conducting these clinics with your patrol. All you need to do is reach out and

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ask. Again this year we had a fantastic presentation by Christopher Morris and Alidia Moonan on recruiting new patrollers and helping bring in junior/ students into our organization. This is our future when it comes to replacing our more experienced patrollers that are getting to the point of moving into other life activities. The more we can be successful in this venture the more we will secure our future built with a generation that will carry on our legacy.

Finally, by the time you get this publication most OEC Refreshers will have been completed. Some may be starting their ski and toboggan refreshers to bring each of us up to speed. As a reminder, please use the National database to register all refreshers for all your patrollers and instructors. When you have completed the courses please be

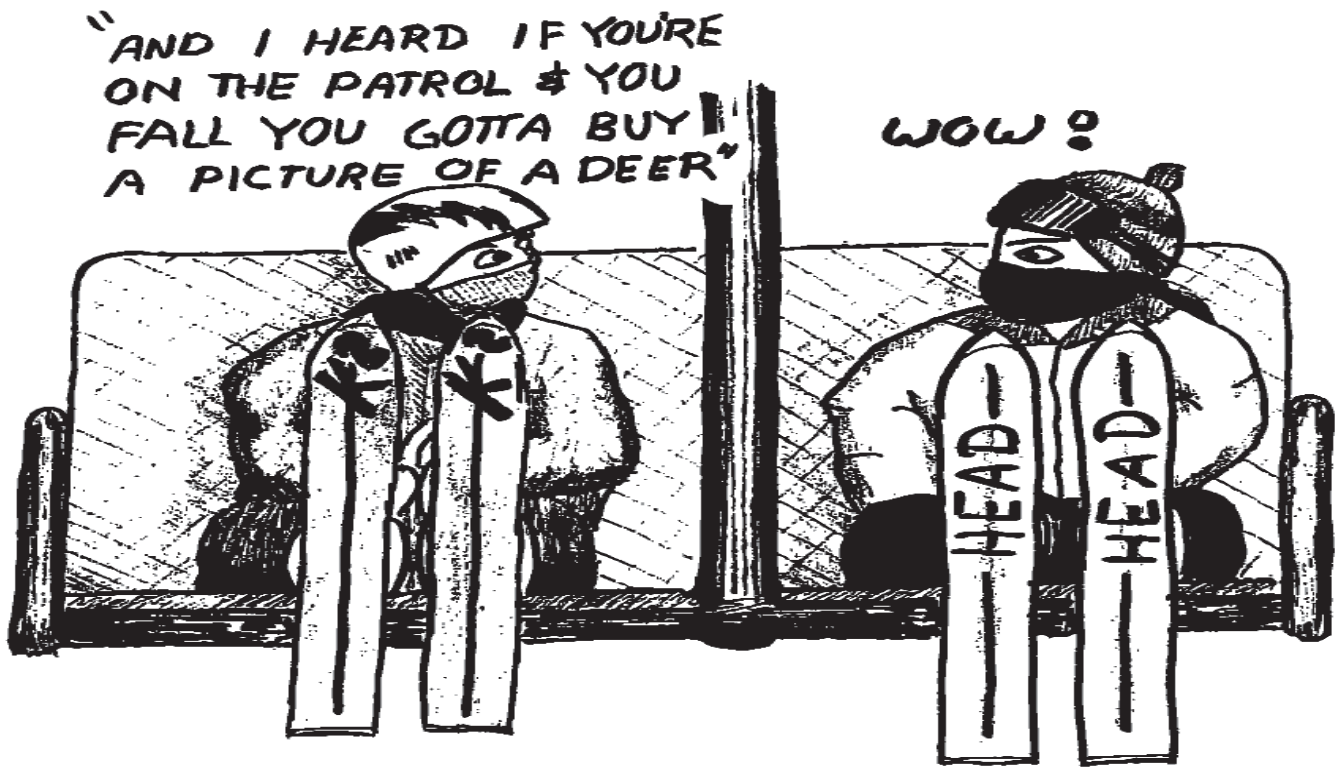
responsible by closing the classes. This helps Carol Hudson at national keep the database complete. We have been spending way too much time chasing down instructors to close classes and we should not have to do that.

Again this year we have will be conducting three STW's in December. The first one will be hosted by Trollhaugen, then Boyne Highlands, and Cascade Mountain. For all those attending, please remember we are guests at these areas and like having the opportunity to return to these locations in the future. Our best behavior is the only acceptable behavior when we are visiting areas. Our purpose is to bring value to our Area Owners/Managers, not aggravation and frustration. If anyone has an issue they would like worked please bring it to the attention of our supervisors to handle. Finally, do you want a way to stop a dues increase? I think we all do. Here is an easy way!

Go to the Central Division Website and click on the NSP Infinity Card. For each successful application for this credit card the National Office gets \$40 and the Division gets \$10. You just have to use it for \$200 within the first month and everyone wins! If 27,000 members were to do that the National Office would get \$1,080,000. That sure helps out the National Budget Also, if you continue using it the National Budget continues to get a kick back off your usage. This is a great way to help support our organization without it coming out of your pocket directly. I've asked all Division Supervisors and Region Directors to please apply and use the card This is a small way for us to help out our team!

I hope everyone is as excited as I am for the upcoming season! I am looking forward to making some turns with as many patrollers as I am able. Jim Woodrum

Kasten’s Korner



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Final Tabloid Issue of the RPN

This issue of the Rusty Parka News marks the final edition that will be published in tabloid form. The Winter 2010 issue will be distributed as an electronic newsletter.

The Central Division Board of Directors decided to convert to an electronic format for a number of reasons:

- 1. Reduce cost and control Central Division patrollers dues.
- 2. Reduce waste and conserve energy: Get with the Green Movement
- 3. Full Color Digital Coverage of Central Division Events
- 4. Fast Distribution of Division News

If you do not have Internet access or wish to continue to receive a paper copy of the Rusty Parka News, use the form below to request a paper subscription.

Rusty Parka News Goes Green

The Rusty Parka News will go green in 2010. The news, information and features instrument of the Central Division will become an electronic, web based method of finding the latest information on events and issues within the Central Division.

The Central Division Board is committed to providing patrollers from throughout the division with a method of receiving news and maintaining contact. Therefore, if you wish to continue to receive a paper copy of the publication, please return the form to the right to the address listed to assure that you receive uninterrupted service.

**Consider the reasons to
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Ski Area Motorized Vehicle Rules in Michigan

Special to the RPN Courtesy of MSAA

The new administrative rules for motorized vehicles used at ski areas (such as snowmobiles) in Michigan have three components: use policy, training and equipment.

Use Policy – Each ski area is required to prepare a document that defines when and how motorized vehicles are to be used at their area. The NSAA’s “Snowmobile Operations Resource Guide” (Catalog #3955) is specifically cited in the rule as a resource that must be consulted in the development of an area’s use policy. This document and other resources are available from NSAA at (303) 987-1111.

Training – The rules require that every operator of a motor vehicle on an open ski run be trained by the area in the area’s use policy.

Equipment – Flashing red lights are required (grooming vehicles need yellow lights from the requirement in the Act). Also required are alarms and flags. It may take some effort to find a way to install flashing lights and alarms

that last, but most have and everybody needs to have flags on whip antennas this season

“Rules are now in place in Michigan...they may be cited in other situations”

and be working on lights and alarms this season to fully comply next season.

Other Requirements – The new rule has several other requirements:

- Operators of motor vehicle on open ski runs must be at least 18 years old and have valid

driver’s licenses

- Maximum speeds are to be no more than is reasonable for the conditions
- Injuries and deaths involving motor vehicles on open runs must be reported
- No private snowmobiles are allowed on open ski runs
- Skiers and pedestrians have right of way whenever possible

The new rules were filed with the Michigan Secretary of State and are now effective. Rule 2 (R 408.62) is what is new. It is integrated in the administrative rule set available from the Michigan State’s web-site, www.michigan.gov/ski.

These Rules are now in place in Michigan. Other ski area managers may also want to become familiar with them, as they may be cited in other situations.

Treat ‘em Like a Rock Star in This Economy

By: Dan Somalski, ADD

Well it’s fall in the landscape business. The season has been a struggle. The economic climate in Michigan hasn’t been the best. But my company has preformed very well in spite of the economy. This will not be our biggest year by any measure. However, all of the bills are paid and everyone has a job. How are we doing it you ask? Landscaping is not a necessity. The answer is simple, EFFORT!

- 1) We have not bought ANYTHING we don’t need.
- 2) We run down every single sales lead.
- 3) We treat every perspective client as a ROCK STAR.
- 4) We have talked to all employees and explained the situation.

5) We have sought the employees’ input and support.
“What the heck does that crap have to do with ski patrolling? And why do I give a whit about your stupid company?” Well I have learned a lot about myself and my company this year. A lot of it transfers to ski patrolling and my life in general.

1) Most ski areas are experiencing tough times due to less disposable income of their patrons. This may not be the year to ask for 6 new sleds. However keep the lines of communication open with management, if you NEED supplies to do your job on the hill and in the patrol room, you may get more support that you would have guessed if the reasons are well presented for each expenditure.

2) Never miss a chance to make contact with the skiing public. We all remember patrollers who rarely engage the public in a lift line or on a chair. Don’t sit there like a bump on a log, talk to them. Their perception might be “Those patrollers thing they are too good or important to talk to me.” A small “How are you doing?” goes a long way to making people feel welcome.

3) Skiers/ Riders have spent a lot of money, time, and effort to be at your ski hill, make them feel GREAT about their buying decision of spending money with your home area. They are more likely to make a return visit if they get that “Warm and Fuzzy” feeling about your ski facility.

4) Understand that we as patrollers OWE our allegiances to the ski area we patrol. The management, lift attendants, snow makers/groomers, ski instructors, and yes we patrollers are a team. When was the last time you bought the guy/gal who runs the main lift a beer after a day of work? Try it sometime; you’ll have a friend for life.

5) Help management when you can. Be their eyes and ears on the hill. When a guide wheel on the lift is squeaking or thumping let lift maintenance know. Be an ambassador for the area. It’s a lot of fun helping make someone’s weekend.

We are blessed that area owners and managers let us be part of their team, it’s up to us to uphold our part of the deal. Or soon we will be looking for another place to patrol. I don’t like talking about bad times but no one forces people to frequent your home area. We need to make them want to come back again and again...

Well thanks for letting me tell you stuff you already know. I just needed to remind myself of these things and hopefully remind you how great you are and to KEEP THE FAITH! See ya on the white and slippery.

Getting Involved Can Make a Difference!

By: Linda Murphy Jacobs, ADD

Getting involved can make a difference. In June of this past summer the National Board of directors voted to “tax” many of our programs in an attempt to raise revenue to cover expenses at the National level. They also voted to double the cost of the OEC class.

Thanks (in a great part) to the very vocal reaction from many of our Central Division patrollers, the National Board revised their decision and revoked the program fee increase. Unfortunately, the OEC fee stood.

Please try to get creative at the local patrol level in trying to defray costs to incoming patrollers. Establish memorials, hold can drives, work with management as corporate sponsors, solicit charity grants for education, etc. Our organization is made up of incredibly creative and diverse members. We are by nature and training, problem solvers. Turn

some of that “fix-it” power loose on this challenge. Our new members will have to pay more but hopefully the value will sustain them.

The other way that every patroller can be involved is to take advantage of our continuing education programs. They are outstanding programs that are designed to benefit you as a patroller, and you as an outdoor recreationalist. Sign up for a TES, SES, MTR or Avalanche course. Hold an aid room seminar, and Instructor Development class, or participate in a Scene Management session. Have your Patrol Representative bring one of these programs to you! They don’t have to be huge productions, but can be creatively scheduled to meet individual and local needs. They are fun, are taught by the best of our best and are affordable.

Our programs must sustain themselves. That can only happen if they are used. I hope you all have a great early season and thanks for getting involved.



Second Annual Ski Enhancement Seminar (SES) November 21-22, 2009

sponsored by
Ski Brule Ski Patrol and NSP-C Ski School

If you are a current ski patroller, new candidate or a patroller thinking about taking your Senior test this year, you should plan to attend this Ski Enhancement Seminar.



Registration will be on the third floor of the main lodge from 8 –9 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday mornings. Ski groups will be formed at 9 a.m. based on participants learning desires. Groups will ski together until 4 p.m. (ish). Video taken all weekend. If you have never seen yourself ski, join us for a social Saturday evening for the BIG show.

Experience PSIA level III instruction, get the rust off and have fun!

Fee: \$25 (covers one or both days). Ski in your Patrol Jacket receive complimentary lift ticket from Ski Brule. Lodging specials available for Friday and Saturday night. Check the Ski Brule Patrol website www.skibrulepatrol.com for more details.

For more information or to confirm your attendance, please contact Kerry Hanson at 715-282-6504 or kjmkski@newnorth.net

Your response is needed by Friday, November 13 to insure small group size with each PSIA instructor.

Pictured are participants and instructors from the 2008 Ski Enhancement Seminar.



In Memoriam

Tom Landree

Tom Landree died on July 4, 2009, at Aspirus Ontonagon Hospital, attended by his family. He was 63 years old and in failing health the last few years. In spite of that, Tom was busy in his garage, working on his projects, adding to his tool base and planning the purchase of a new tractor.



Tom was the patrol director at the Porcupine Mountains ski hill for 29 years, retiring in 2004 when the State of Michigan turned over hill operation to a private managing company. Born January 10, 1946, Tom was one of the

Ontonagon area "locals" who grew up with the hill and learned to ski at it. He joined the patrol at a young age and watched the maturing of National Ski Patrol during those 29 years. His Porkies call number was "2" so that tells you something. When Tom left the patrol about 5 years ago, his local call number was permanently retired, too.

Tom would hold court each Saturday and Sunday in the patrol room, regaling patrollers with his funny, witty, and well-crafted stories of adventures. Nothing was sacred - stories included his "Adventures with National", the various work sites his company sent him to, ordering his specially-made patrol supplies, his investigations on various subjects. He was quick-witted, well-read and interested in technology. He had a knack for figuring out com-

puters in the early days, and lots of his stories were accompanied by his hilarious graphics, some of which grace the patrol room walls today. As his good friend Mary Ross (4 on the patrol, and affectionately known as Orange) says about our stories, "A lot of it we just can't print." Some of the snippets we remember: Tom passing out crayons to color "hair" on fellow (hair-challenged) patroller Bob Clark, Tom on a snowboard, riding 30 feet before he went down, Tom having his "Mac Attack" in the lift line, Tom giving an unsuspecting patroller a prank gift or a word of encouragement, Tom's laughter heard around the patrol room, Tom & Dan "pumping them-

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OEC Update: Ethics and Professionalism

By: Karen Hadden, OEC Supervisor

“The time is now, the place is here. Stay in the present. You can do nothing to change the past, and the future will never come exactly as you plan or hope for.”
Anonymous

I saw the above quote a few days ago and thought how well this describes the anticipation of the 5th edition of our OEC Text. Many people have put in and continue to work numerous hours to give us the best possible text. The most up to date information we have is as follows: the National Board has chosen the publisher. The Board selected Brady publishing. Brady Publishing is considered the number one publisher for EMS textbooks. Plans are for the book to be ready by summer 2010. This will be a textbook/workbook combination eliminating the current two books we use for the OEC Classes. The text will be a soft cover, however the publisher is aware of the concerns we have with the ‘curling’ of the cover on our current text. Medical doctors, patrollers and wilderness experts focusing on the ski patrol environment, are

writing the text. Each chapter is being reviewed multiple times by patrollers, EMS, physicians and outdoor medical experts. Since this is still a work in progress the price has not been established. Powerpoint presentations are also being developed to complement the text and instructor manual. A new web page will also be developed.

Whenever we are faced with changes that impact our comfort zone we can sometimes get caught up in the moment and on occasion neglect our ethics and professionalism. Here are some thoughts to keep us focused on our quality programs and the people within our Ski Patrol family:

- protect confidentiality and privacy
- respect and value diversity
- put yourself in the other’s shoes
- be courteous and compassionate
- promote two-way communication-share and listen
- create an environment of trust
- be open, honest
- take care of yourself
- be accountable-follow through
- do what you committed to

- be aware of your actions and feelings
- admit your mistakes
- listen with your ears, eyes and heart
- use your knowledge skills and confidence
- be flexible and open minded
- take pride in your work
- challenge yourself to improve
- be respectful, direct and truthful
- be open to give and receive feedback
- talk with, not about team members
- provide consistent and visible support and learn from each other

This is a long list; there are many things I need to work on. I hope each of us can find one thing in the list we can take to heart and try to improve on as we work with each other and our customers.

Thanks to all of you for your hard work and the excellent care you deliver to our patients. Let’s stay in the present and continue to do the best we can. I’m looking forward to meeting more of you this year. Good luck with your OEC Classes and Refreshers. As always, never hesitate to contact your IT, ROA or me with questions/concerns.

Senior Program: So What’s New?

By: Darcy Hanley, Senior Program Supervisor

The September Division meeting on Mackinaw Island was a very busy one! It was impressive to watch the commitment and dedication of the Central Division patrollers! The senior program has some significant changes. Your best reference to know what is new and what has changed for the 2009-2010 is to go to the division website. Under senior program you will find a section called **Program Updates**. Specifically, look at the September, 2009 updates. You will find:

- Senior evaluation team. What an evaluation team should look like
- Approved QA mentor program
- New form for the senior test evaluators to give feedback about the QA of the senior test

- Approved senior evaluation card for individual and group

Each of the Region Directors was given a stack of brochures to be used to recruit can-



didates for the senior program. If you are a senior advisor for your region, please contact me if you would like this brochure electronically. I continue to challenge all of you to recruit, encourage and even plead to provide this extension of Alpine patroller skills to every qualified person on your patrol. Our Divi-

sion will only grow stronger because we are dedicated to developing new leaders. The best part is yet to come! SNOW! The snow events will continue to be strong throughout the Division with three STW’s, a commitment to have an SES and TES at every local patrol and training using the new senior evaluation card. Each region senior test will have a QA patroller from the QA team. If you have an interest in becoming part of the QA team (We need you!) then the information you need is in the Senior Program Manual and the program updates on the website. OR please feel free to contact me directly.

Thank you in advance of the season for reaching out to your Alpine patrollers and explaining the senior program. Kudos from the Division and expression of gratitude from your area management. See all of your soon!

Where Do You Want To Go This Season?

By: Rose DeJarnette, Auxiliary Supervisor

Central Division is moving forward with the Auxiliary program. Eastern Michigan just held its first Aid Room Module (ARM). A special thanks to Jodi Fuller, Eastern Michigan Region Auxiliary Advisor for making it happen.

The ARM is not just for auxiliary patrollers, it is for anyone wanting a different type of challenge or an opportunity to gain a different perspective on Emergency Management. It is a requirement for auxiliary patrollers who wish to move into the Senior Auxiliary Skill Classification, but all patrollers are welcome to take the module. It is designed to enhance patroller skills in the aid room environment.

Central Division is working hard to provide patrollers with choices. As our Division supervisors work together, we can help you make the right choice for fulfilling your goals. For example; if you are an auxiliary patroller and you want to move into the alpine skill classification, we can help you find the resources needed to make that transition. If you choose to become a Senior Patroller and do not wish to participate in the toboggan or skiing/boarding then the Senior Auxiliary pathway might be the solution. Maybe you are Senior Auxiliary and continue to enjoy toboggan handling, register for a toboggan handling seminar (you never know where it will take you).

Look beyond your present existence into the world of NSP Educational and Leadership opportunities. Maybe you just want to enjoy the camaraderie of our group events. What-

ever your choice or reason, come on out this season and join in the fun and fellowship by participating in NSP programs brought to you by your Central Division.



Jodi Fuller presenting Cindy Peck of Apple Mountain the certificate of achievement for completing the Aid Room Module.

Plan to Join Us at Division Alpine Clinics

By: Don Loerch, Skills Development Supervisor

That little nip in the air can only mean one thing, it's time to think about how you'll allocate your precious training time in the coming season. Last December alone, over 180 of our brothers and sisters took time out of their busy pre-holiday schedules to attend one of our Alpine Clinics. In anticipation of another great season, your **Division Skills Development Team** is pleased to announce our upcoming Division Alpine Clinics road show schedule. This December's Ski Trainers Workshops will again include events on

both sides of the big lake at: Trollhaugen Ski area/Dresser WI (Dec. 5&6), Boyne Highlands/Harbor Springs MI (Dec.12&13), Cascade Mountain/Portage WI (Dec 19&20).

In keeping with our tradition of cross pollinating among our many Division members, Program offerings will include sessions for Toboggan Instructor Trainers(IT's), Toboggan Trainers and Senior Alpine Evaluators. All members of Local Hill and Region Proficiency Staffs are encouraged to consider attending one of these educational events. We guarantee you'll find our offerings beneficial to your Local and Region alpine training staffs.

Please visit the Central Division web site at www.nspcentral.org for complete clinic details and *on-line registration*.

Of course, if your early season schedule makes travel impossible, don't forget to take advantage of one of the numerous *Region/local* offerings in the form of a: *Ski Trainers Workshop (STW)*, *Ski Enhancement Seminar (SES)* or *Toboggan Enhancement Seminar*. Whatever your particular interest or need, relaxed, fun filled opportunities will abound this season to sharpening your on-hill performance all while enjoying the company of your fellow patroller. Jump in you'll be glad you did!

Low Angle Rescue on Lake Huron

By: John Wachter, MTR Supervisor

Just got back from the division meeting at Mackinac Island where we held a LAR (low angle rescue class) on Saturday. Jim Markey with help from Jonathan Odell, David Zoromski and I put on the class. We had 21 participants in the class with the first part of it being held indoors.

During this section we went over equipment, knots and rigging. The second part was held out on the front lawn of the mission point resort. During this section we split into two groups and applied all the things that we had just went over in class by setting up a z-rig (a haul system for raising). I think that some people were a little surprised as they walked by and saw us pulling toboggans across the lawn with Lake Huron in view.

LAR is part the MTR program and the purpose of the Low Angle Rescue (LAR) course is to serve as a source of information that ski patrollers can use at their home areas or other situations that suite the need. As with any rescue situation, be it a Low Angle Rescue or an Outdoor Emergency Care scenario, the basics will remain the same but, the dynamics of the scenario will change with each case. The rescuer may have to work with snow anchors such as a deadman or snow pickets instead of using trees or a lift tower as an anchoring point. The rescuer may have to decide if it is faster and safer to lower the patient out rather than haul the patient up the incline. This course covers the basics of setting up anchors, use of knots and raising and lowering systems with lots of hands on.

As the season is fast approaching I see that there are already several MTR classes registered threw the Division. If you would like to see one in your area please get a hold of me rock_ski@hotmail.com or your local MTR adviser.



Certified Program Update

By: Mike Longfellow-Jones, Certified #491, Certified Supervisor

The Certified Program is receiving a little National level attention recently as I have been part of several conference calls with the other Division Certified Program leadership discussing our respective programs and the common elements. While we are far from complete with the review, we have made headway and I feel that there has been a great deal of positive energy from the discussions. The calls have been chaired by Ed Gassman of the Rocky Mountain Division, who was recently selected as our new Certified Program Director. Ed was chosen for a one year period to manage the team and our efforts. His selection was made by team nomination and consensus followed by the approval of Terry LaLiberte.

The leadership team is currently working to find "Common Ground" across the program and to further develop the relationships and best practices across the program. The drafted Certified Program Goals are to:

- Provide performance standards and evaluation on a broad range of patrol skills and knowledge
- Increase patroller awareness in areas relevant to ski area operations
- Provide a readily identifiable resource of highly skilled, motivated, and knowledgeable patrollers to better serve NSP, ski area management, and the outdoor recreation community through instruction and/or leadership
- Promote interaction and exchange between paid and volunteer patroller
- Build on, but do not duplicate, the Outdoor Emergency Care Program or the Senior OEC Program by providing a, self-directed training program to develop member skills

The Certified Program enables patrollers to build upon experiences gained while patrolling and through other NSP Programs. The program consists of six core modules:

- Area Operations
- Avalanche Management
- Emergency Care
- Lift Evacuation and rope knowledge
- Skiing/Snowboarding
- Toboggan handling

"The above modules may be expanded upon by Divisions to meet the additional needs of the Division"

On a more local level, the Central Division Program Plans to hold our 2010 annual meeting and evaluation at Marquette Mountain on February 25 through 28. We hope that if you have interest in the program or what we are all about, that you consider coming up to Marquette in February. If you think your patrol has great camaraderie, you will find that the Certified team takes that benefit to a whole new level! Come see for yourself or contact me or your local staff members for more information!

Get Involved! With Instructor Development

By: Virginia Rodeman, Instructor Development Supervisor

How many instructors have helped to teach or refresh you already this year?

The OEC refreshers are completed. Did you take an elective course?

Hopefully, when you read this we are skiing

and the on-hill programs are in full gear. Again I ask, how many instructors have helped you this year? Why not spend some time and join the group? If you haven't taken an Instructor Development course, you can start there. The next step is mentoring.

Get involved! If you have any questions, contact me Ginny Rodeman, rodewoman@yahoo.com.



2009-2010 NSP-C Ski & Board School Membership Application



_____Renewal Membership

_____New Member Applicant

Name: _____

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Phone: (H) _____ (B) _____

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Patrol Name: _____ Region: _____

Check your current disciplines: _____Snowboard _____Nordic Downhill _____Alpine

Level of PSIA/AASI Certification: _____Snowboard _____Nordic Downhill _____Alpine

Are you currently a Senior Skiing/ Snowboard/ Nordic Examiner in your Region at this time: YES NO

Are you currently a Toboggan Evaluator at Senior Exams in your Region at this time: YES NO

PSIA /AASI Membership #: Division: _____ National: _____

*A copy of your current membership card & check must be enclosed with application.

*In the event that you upgrade your certification status during the ski season, a new copy of your card must be submitted as soon as possible.

If you are currently Certified Level 1, 2, or 3 Enclose a check for \$56.00 Non Certified members enclose a check for \$66.00 made out to the NSP-C Ski School. Postmarked on or prior to Dec 1, 2009

Late fee of \$10 will be charged to members if application is not submitted prior to Dec 1, 2009.

We want to know what your personal goals and objectives are for the coming season.

_____To obtain a Certification Level or Increase to the next Certification Level

_____To increase Depth of my disciplines knowledge

_____To Instruct Senior Candidates this Season

_____To Evaluate Senior Skiing or Boarding Candidates

_____To Instruct Basic Candidates and other fellow patrollers

What means of support would you like from your NSP-C Ski & Board School

_____Suggested Reading Material

_____Suggested Video Programs

_____Group Clinics at Region Level (Ski & Board Enhancement Seminars)

_____One on one lesson

_____Other: _____

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The Nordic Vote is In!

By: David Squires, Nordic Supervisor

In my last article for RPN I gave you, the patrollers a choice, to choose what weekend you preferred for the Central Division Nordic Seminar. The weekend of January 23,24 & 25th, 2010 is the date for all the fun, food, training, skiing and more. As in the past, Saturday is set aside for Basic and Senior testing, and a possible Nordic toboggan refresher. Sunday is a Ski Enhancement Seminar with Dan Clausen-PSIA with Classic in the morning and Freestyle (skate) in the afternoon. Both days will be at Minocqua Winter Park in Minocqua, WI.

The Telemark Ski Enhancement Seminar is scheduled for Monday January 25th at Indianhead Ski Area in Bessemer, MI.

All three clinics begin at 8AM.

Bob Moe from Christie Mountain has access to Telemark gear for Patrollers and/or spouses-significant others who would like to try Telemark skiing and need equipment. His phone number is (715) 234-7095.

Birkie 2010

The Birkie Ski Patrol is looking for additional patrollers to patrol at the American Birkebeiner Ski Race held in Hayward, WI on Saturday February 27th, 2010. For more information contact Howard Holz at his email howard@holzconsulting.com or David Squires at (218) 849-7132 or email sharky@tekstar.com

Have a nice Fall and I'll see you on the white.



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selves up” with the boot air pump, Tom at his truck tailgate for impromptu after-closing get-togethers...

Tom kept the patrol going many years, some of them single-handedly. His friends Les Tillman and Howell Smith Sr often visited the Porkies from Afton Alps. Howell said that Tom remarked once in spite of all the differences he had with National policies and procedures, something worked well when 4 or 5 patrollers from different ski areas could work smoothly together on a rescue and be on the same page with regard to patient care.

Dennis Maslar

Ohio’s Boston Mills/Brandywine Ski Patrol and the Ohio Region lost a good friend and dedicated, 32-year patroller when Dennis Mlichael Maslar, 54, of Richfield, Ohio, died Aug. 27, 2009, of a heart attack suffered

while mountain biking near Peninsula, Ohio. Dennis became a member of the National Ski Patrol in 1977 when he joined the Alpine Valley Ski Patrol and in 1991 transferred his membership to Boston Mills / Brandywine Ski Patrol.

Throughout Dennis’ patrol career, he held many leadership positions at the local and region levels. At Boston Mills/Brandywine, he was instrumental in developing chairlift evacuation refresher protocols, including low-angle rescue, and headed up the annual Frosty Refresher programs. In 2001, his passion for helping our youth and engaging them in patrolling led him to found the BMBW Junior Ski Patrol, a program that is still one of the most active in the Ohio Region. In addition, Dennis’ interest in keeping young winter sports enthusiasts safe prompted him to visit local schools and ski clubs to promote on-hill safety. Since 2005, Dennis has been the current

Ohio Region Senior Program Administrator. For a number of years, Dennis, a PSIA Level I certified instructor and a toboggan trainer, was an active and respected leader within the Ohio Region NSP-C Ski School Program. A Senior Patroller and holder of National #10552, Dennis was one of the friendliest individuals you will ever meet. He possessed a quiet leadership style, and was known by all as a loyal and dependable Patroller.

Dennis was the son of Edward and Bette Maslar and is survived by his wife Diane, his daughter Katie, his son Ross and three brothers. His quiet demeanor, commitment to improving his and others skiing skills and witty sense of humor will be missed by many. A memorial fund to aid the family has been established at US Bank.

Donations can be made at any US Bank in the country by referencing the MASLAR FAMILY EDUCATION FUND.

2008 - 2009 Central Division Awards

Awards Information Courtesy: Gregg Reese, Div. Awards Supervisor

Outstandings and Division Awards

Patroller	Award	Region	Patrol Name	Title
Jade Garrett	Gold Merit Star	Ohio	Perfect North Slopes	National Outstanding Young Adult Patroller
Ken Meldahl	Gold Merit Star	Southern	Wilmot	National Outstanding Administrative Patroller
Linda Barthel	Silver Merit Star	Eastern Michigan	Mt Brighton	National Outstanding First Runner-up Alpine Patroller
Rose DeJarnette	Silver Merit Star	Ohio	Perfect North Slopes	National Outstanding First Runner-up OEC Instructor
Barbara Reed	Silver Merit Star	Ohio	Perfect North Slopes	National Outstanding First Runner-up Auxiliary
Thomas Wright	Silver Merit Star	South Central	Blue Mound Nordic	National Outstanding First Runner-up Nordic Patroller
Mad River Mountain	National Unit citation	Ohio	Mad River Mt	Division Outstanding Large Alpine Patrol
Hiawatha Nordic	National Unit citation	Western	Hiawatha Nordic	Division Outstanding Nordic Patrol
Linda Leggett	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	South Central	Blue Mound Nordic	C.D. Outstanding Nordic Patrol Representative
Amy Arnold	C.D. Outstanding IT	Ohio	Snow Trails	C.D. Outstanding IT
Alida Moonen	C.D Cert of Appreciation	Ohio	BM/BW	C.D.Outstanding First Runer-up Administrator
Tari Blank	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	North Central	Granite Peak	C.D. Outstanding First Runner-up OEC Instructor
Minocqua Winter Park	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	North Central	Minoqua Winter Park	C.D. Outstanding First Runner-up Nordic Patrol
Dave Baumlein	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Ohio	Snow Trails	C.D. Outstanding First Runner-up Alpine Patrol Rep
Mark Branham	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Ohio	Perfect North Slopes	C.D. Outstanding First Runner-up Alpine Patroller
James Gorman	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	South Central	Cascade	C.D. Outstanding First Runner-up Alpine Patroller
Toni Thornton	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	South Central	Cascade	C.D. Outstanding First Runner-up Young Adult
Afton Alps	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Western	Afton Alps	C.D. Outstanding First Runner-up Alpine Patrol
Patrick Mulvihill	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Western Mich	Cannonsburg	C.D. Outstanding First Runner-up Instructor
Tom Mulvihill	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Western Mich	Cannonsburg	C.D. Outstanding First Runner-up Auxiliary
Karen Hadden	C.D. Outstanding Supervisor	Western Mich	Timber Ridge	C.D. Outstanding Supervisor
Sherwin Van Klomperburg	Division Director Award	Western Mich		OEC Program DD Award for Outstanding Service to Registration
Mike Schons	DD Program Award	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob	
Jeff Cripps	DD Program Award	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands	Certified Program
Tena Lechtanski	DD Program Award	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands	OEC Program
Amy Arnold	DD Program Award	Ohio	Snow Trails	NSPC- Ski School
Ray Martodam	DD Program Award	Ohio	Perfect North Slopes	MTR Program
Troy Southwick	DD Program Award	Ohio	Mad River Mt	Senior Program
Jason Erdman	DD Program Award	South Central	Tyrol Basin	OEC Program
Tony Ortega	DD Program Award	South Central	Alpine Valley West	Toboggan Program
Joe Keller	DD Program Award	Southern	Wilmot Mt	Patroller 101 Program
Chuck Martschinke	DD Program Award	Southern	Wilmot Mt	Skills Development Program
Nannette Patnaude	DD Program Award	Southern	Grand Geneva	
Cathy Rausch	DD Program Award	Southern	Chestnut Mt	Instructor Development
Program				
Pete Wollan	DD Program Award	Western	Hiawatha Nordic	Nordic Program
Roland Chavey	C.D.Lifetime Achievement	Northern Michigan	Otsego Ski Club	
Ed Raudabaugh	C.D.Lifetime Achievement	Ohio	Mad River Mt	

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Appointments, Commendations and Service

Patroller	Award	Region	Patrol Name
Roger Crockett	National Appt	Eastern Michigan	Snow Snake
Russell Livermore	National Appt	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob
Pat Sellenraad	National Appt	Eastern Michigan	Mt Holly
Steve Beil	National Appt	North Central	Blackjack
Paula Larson	National Appt	Northern Michigan	Nub's Nob
Don Loerch	National Appt	Northern Michigan	Nub's Nob
Tom Phillips	National Appt	Northern Michigan	Otsego
William Tholl	National Appt	Northern Michigan	Tree tops Sylvan
Todd Wright	National Appt	Northern Michigan	Boyne Mt
Bev Benzing	National Appt	Ohio	Perfect North Slopes
John McGoff	National Appt	Ohio	Perfect North Slopes
Alida Moonen	National Appt	Ohio	BM/BW
Kurt Tenerove	National Appt	Ohio	Alpine Valley West
Bill Bailey	National Appt	South Central	Devil's Head
Peggy Butler	National Appt	South Central	Devil's Head
Kevin Ketter	National Appt	South Central	Little Switzerland
Pat Schmitt	National Appt	South Central	Devil's Head
Tim Troutt	National Appt	South Central	Sunburst
Noel Derr	National Appt	Southern	Snow Creek
Jayne Perlman	National Appt	Southern	Wilmot
Bruce Carlson	National Appt	Western	Afton Alps
Danny Kenning	National Appt	Western	Powder Ridge
Walt Krapohl	National Appt	Western	Hiawatha Nordic
Dayle Hadden	National Appt	Western Mich	Timber Ridge
Paula Gray	Leadership Commedation Award	Northern Michigan	Schuss Mt
Steve Werner	Distinguished Service Award	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob
Leon Abel	Distinguished Service Award	North Central	Granite Peak
Walt Hess	Distinguished Service Award	North Central	Indianhead
Bob Meyers	Distinguished Service Award	North Central	Marquette Mt
Sue Wolfe	Distinguished Service Award	North Central	Marquette Mt
Ron Chavey	Distinguished Service Award	Northern Michigan	Otsego
Vern McCardell	Distinguished Service Award	Northern Michigan	Nub's Nob
Max Davis	Distinguished Service Award	Ohio	Perfect North Slopes
Bob Miller	Distinguished Service Award	Ohio	individual
Bob Struble	Distinguished Service Award	Ohio	individual
Howard Bailey	Distinguished Service Award	South Central	Cascade
Joanne Herfel	Distinguished Service Award	South Central	Alpine Valley West
Richard Knauer	Distinguished Service Award	South Central	Heiliger Hugel
Don Whitaker	Distinguished Service Award	South Central	Spirit Mt
Tom Gray	Distinguished Service Award	Western	
Don Loerch	Meritorious Service Award	Northern Michigan	Nub's Nob
Jim Parker	Meritorious Service Award	Northern Michigan	Boyne Mt
John Wallace	Meritorious Service Award	Northern Michigan	Otsego
Peg Soma	Meritorious Service Award	South Central	Cascade
Gary Maroon	Meritorious Service Award	Southern	Hidden Valley

Merit Stars and Critical Care

Patroller	Award	Region	Patrol Name
Scott Swanson	GMS	Western Mich	Bittersweet
Marcia Schulz	PMS	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob
Greg Kerwin	PMS	North Central	Marquette Mt
George Balach	PMS	Western	Spirit Mt
Dave Navarro	PMS	Western	Welch Village
Chad Schiefert	PMS	Western	Coffee Mill
James Heethuis,	PMS	Western Mich	Crystal Mt
Daniel King	PMS	Western Mich	Crystal Mt
Lee Drenkler	BMS	North Central	Granite Peak
Jeff Frye	BMS	North Central	Indianhead
Paul Kuyper	BMS	North Central	Indianhead
Kim Marra	BMS	North Central	Marquette Mt
Amy Richards	BMS	North Central	Marquette Mt
Jeff Stogbauer	BMS	North Central	Granite Peak

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Merit Stars and Critical Care continued

Patroller	Award	Region	Patrol Name
Dave Baumlein	BMS	Ohio	Snow Trails
Daniel Tainer	BMS	Ohio	BM/BW
Brian Barr	BMS	Southern	Chestnut Mt
Nate Bartlow	BMS	Southern	Chestnut Mt
Frank Randall	BMS	Southern	Chestnut Mt
Dave Anderson	YMS	North Central	Indianhead
Tom Anderson	YMS	North Central	Marquette Mt
John Colby	YMS	North Central	Granite Peak
Bob Danielson	YMS	North Central	Marquette Mt
Chris Dobrinski	YMS	North Central	Indianhead
John Fawley	YMS	North Central	Granite Peak
John Major	YMS	North Central	Marquette Mt
Monica Stogbauer	YMS	North Central	Granite Peak
Mark Strupek	YMS	North Central	Indianhead
Donn Wolfe	YMS	North Central	Marquette Mt
Jeff Hanley	YMS	Southern	Sundown
John Van Pelt	YMS	Southern	Chestnut Mt
John Wachter	YMS	Southern	Chestnut Mt
Lyle Johnson	YMS	Western	Wild Mt
James Smith	YMS	Western Mich	Timber Ridge
Ty Damon	Critical Care Recognition	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob
Brian Gammon	Critical Care Recognition	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob
Steve LaLonde	Critical Care Recognition	Eastern Michigan	Snow Snake
Martha Henry	Critical Care Recognition	North Central	Granite Peak
Mark Klein	Critical Care Recognition	North Central	Granite Peak
Mark Welsh	Critical Care Recognition	North Central	Granite Peak
Cathy Andberg	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
Peter Branca	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
Thomas Bridge	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
Richard Ek	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
Kendra Fjerstad	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Afton Alps
Kare Fossum	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Trollhaugen
Jim Gearn	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
Kevin Gehler	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Afton Alps
Paul Gilbertson	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Trollhaugen
David Halver	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
David Hawkinson	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
Thomas Henning	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
James Hill	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
Emily Honerbrink	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Trollhaugen
Peter Nora	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Trollhaugen
Chris Olson	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Trollhaugen
John Piehowski	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Afton Alps
Dave Plucinak	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Afton Alps
Robert Roper	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
Colin Sullivan	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Trollhaugen
Pam Wagner	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Afton Alps
Warren Wagness	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
Stephen Welch	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt
Kristi Wilke	Critical Care Recognition	Western	Spirit Mt

Division Certificates of Appreciation

Patroller	Award	Region	Patrol Name	Title
Candy Jacques	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Eastern Michigan	Alpine Valley East	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Russell Livermore	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Ron Chavey	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Northern Michigan	Otsego Ski Club	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Richard Jacques	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Northern Michigan	Schuss Mountain	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Rod Kivell	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Northern Michigan	Mt Holiday	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Bob Lechtanski	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Tena Lechtanski	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Jim Markey,	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Northern Michigan	Nubs Nob	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Susan Reed	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Jerry Rodeman	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Northern Michigan	Schuss Mountain	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Virginia Rodeman	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Northern Michigan	Schuss Mountain	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
John Wiley	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands	Planning Committee 2008-09 C.D. Fall Meeting
Ken Meldahl	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Southern	Wilmot	Serving two terms as Southern Region Director
Myron Jacobson	C.D. Cert of Appreciation	Western	Afton Alps	Chairman of Western Region Fall Meeting



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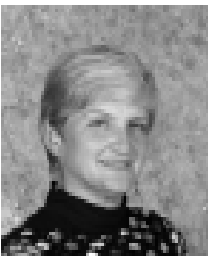
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CENTRAL DIVISION STAFF ROSTER

2008 - 2009 Central Division Awards

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National Outstanding Administrative Ski Patroller

Kenneth Meldahl is a 40 year veteran of the NSP. Becoming a senior in 1974 and receiving his National Appointment in 1984.

When it comes to leadership, this patroller has done it all. He has served in numerous



administrative roles, including two terms as a Patrol Director, a Section Chief, an Assistant Region Director, two terms as Region Director and currently serves on the Central Division staff as the Central Division Election and Meetings Coordinator.

The Central Division is pleased to honor Ken as the Central Division Outstanding Administrative Ski Patroller for the 2008-2009 season

The National Ski Patrol judging committee has also selected Ken as the 2008-2009 National Ski Patrol's Outstanding Administrative Ski Patroller. For this outstanding accomplishment, Ken has been awarded with a National Outstanding Trophy and a Gold Merit Star.

National Outstanding Young Adult Patroller

Jade Garrett was born 18 years ago. She joined her patrol's junior patrol at the age of 10 and attained her alpine patroller status this past season.



Those first years as a junior patroller, she contributed between 300-600 hours of on hill assistance and for the past two seasons as a candidate and then an alpine patroller, she has contributed almost 500 hours on hill and 200 hours off hill duty

The Central Division is proud to recognize Jade as the Central Division Outstanding Young Adult Patroller for the 2008-2009 season.

In addition, we are also honored to announce that for the 2008-2009 season, the National Ski Patrol judging committee has selected Jade as the National Ski Patrol's Outstanding Young Adult Patroller. For this outstanding accomplishment, Jade has been awarded with the National Outstanding Trophy and a Gold Merit Star.

Outstanding Alpine Patroller

Linda Barthel joined the NSP in 1991 and what makes her outstanding is that she excels in both sides of the operation of the National Ski Patrol – education instruction and administration.



Her involvement in education seems to never stop with Toboggan and OEC Instruction (as well as being an IT in both), ski training as a level II PSIA certified instructor, chair evac, and the list goes on and on.

Then on the Administration side she has been an assistant Patrol Representative, Section and Region Advisor of several disciplines and for many years our Central Division Skills Development Supervisor.

After a year of taking a break from this schedule, this July she was chosen to assume the role of becoming the first Supervisor of the NSP's new National Woman's Program.

The Central Division is proud to recognize Linda as the Central Division Outstanding Alpine Patroller for the 2008-2009 season

Again we are honored to announce that for the 2008-2009 season, the National Ski Patrol judging committee has selected Linda as the National Ski Patrol First Runner-up Outstanding Alpine Patroller. For this exceptional accomplishment, Linda has been awarded the Silver Merit Star.

Outstanding OEC Instructor

Rose DeJarnette has been active in the NSP since 2002, but in the past nine years this patroller has accomplished more than most patrollers can accomplish in 20. This patroller is an OEC IT as well as an Instructor Development IT.

But, while this patroller spends countless hours instructing new candidates and instructing or recertifying Instructor Trainers,

she still has somehow found the time to contribute her expertise to the OEC 5th edition textbook and also serve as the Central Division Auxiliary Program Supervisor.



For her many and continuing contributions to the Central Division and the National Ski Patrol, The Central Division is proud to honor Rose as 2008-2009 Central Division Outstanding OEC Instructor.

We are also honored to announce that for the 2008-2009 season, the National judging committee selected Rose as the National Ski Patrol Outstanding First Runner-Up OEC Instructor. For this the National Ski Patrol has awarded Rose the Silver Merit Star.

Outstanding Large Alpine Patrol

The Central Division Outstanding Large Alpine Patrol award was presented to Mad River Mountain Ski Patrol which was activated 47 years ago. Its 114 patrollers



serve an area of six chairlifts and three rope tows.

Over the years, this patrol has sent many outstanding testers, trainers and administrators to region and division levels and still continues to do so. The goal of this big patrol has always been to enthusiastically grow and embrace the progression of NSP programs while maintaining the traditions of family and community.

We can safely say this patrol unselfishly meets the expectations of management, and then gives back even more to the NSP, the sport of skiing, the local community.

We are also honored to announce that for the 2008-2009 ski season, the National Ski Patrol judging committee has awarded Mad River Mountain a Unit Citation in recognition of their being named Central Division Outstanding Large Alpine Ski Patrol.

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Outstanding Patrol Representative

Calvin Chase joined the NSP in 1984, achieved senior status in 1986 and received his National Appointment in 2005.



For the past four years, this patroller has led a patrol of 140 plus members while continuing to actively instruct OEC, CPR, and maintain a presence at section and region levels. In 2007-2008, this patrol rep led his patrol to the honor of being selected Central Division Outstanding First Runner-Up Alpine Patrol.

For all of his outstanding work, the Central Division is proud to honor Calvin as 2008-2009 Central Division Outstanding Alpine Patrol Representative

Central Division and the National Ski Patrol are further pleased to present Cal with a Yellow Merit Star awarded by the National judges in recognition of his outstanding service as Central Division Outstanding Patrol Representative.

Outstanding Nordic Patrol Representative

Linda Leggett has been an Alpine patroller for 36 years and has been dual Alpine and Nordic patroller for the past 20 years. Linda, who



has held the position of Patrol Representative at her Nordic patrol for the past 5 years, was greatly respon-

sible for the NSP selecting her patrol as the 2007-2008 the National Outstanding First Runner-up Nordic Patrol.

For her outstanding dedication to her patrol and the NSP, the Central Division is pleased to honor Linda as the Central Division Outstanding Nordic Patrol Representative for the 2008-2009 season.

Outstanding Nordic Patroller

Thomas Wright joined the NSP 40 years ago, starting out as an Alpine Patroller and became a Nordic patroller in 1980. Throughout the

years, this patroller has continuing serving both his Alpine as well as his Nordic patrol as a CPR and MTR Instructor

His work and dedication to the NSP helped his patrol become the 2007-2008 National Outstanding First Runner-Up Nordic Patrol.

The Central Division is proud to recognize Tom as the Central Division Outstanding Nordic Patroller for the 2008-2009 season.

The Central Division is also honored to announce that for the 2008-2009 season, the National Ski Patrol judging committee has selected Tom as the National Ski Patrol Outstanding First Runner-Up Nordic Patroller. For this exceptional accomplishment, Tom has also been awarded with the Silver Merit Star.

Outstanding Auxiliary Patroller

Barbara Reed joined the NSP in the 2000 season and became a senior Alpine patroller in 2003. In 2007 she elected to become an auxiliary patroller and quickly attained Senior Auxiliary Patroller status.

This patroller has been extremely active as an OEC Instructor and CPR Instructor and for many years has been heavily involved in training candidates and refreshing at both on and off hill refreshers.

For her outstanding accomplishments and dedication, the Central Division is proud to honor her as 2008-2009 Central Division Outstanding Auxiliary Patroller.

Central Division and the National Ski Patrol are further pleased to announce that the National Ski Patrol judging committee selected Barb as the 2008-2009 National Ski Patrol's Outstanding First-Runner Up Auxiliary Patroller. For this outstanding accomplishment, Barb has been awarded with the Silver Merit Star.

Outstanding Instructor Non-OEC

The Central Division honors Matthew Collins of Mad River Mountain Ski Patrol as Outstanding Instructor in non-OEC disciplines. Collins is a veteran of 14 years in the NSP.



Collins is also an OEC Instructor, Toboggan Instructor, PSIA level 3, and Instructor Development Instructor, but tonight he is being hon-

ored for his ongoing contributions over the past four years in Region and Division ski and toboggan testing and training.

For his many and continuing contributions to the Central Division and the National Ski Patrol, The Central Division is proud to honor him as 2008-2009 Central Division Outstanding Instructor.

Central Division and the National Ski Patrol are also further pleased to present Marty with a Yellow Merit Star awarded by the National judges in recognition of his outstanding service as Central Division Outstanding Instructor.

Outstanding Nordic Patrol

Hiawatha Nordic is a patrol that began in 1983. This Nordic patrol of 10 serves an area of almost 25 miles.

During the past few years, this patrol has supplied its region with a section chief, a region Nordic Advisor, as well as several OEC Instructors and Senior Alpine and Nordic ski and toboggan trainers and testers.

For their dedication and commitment to the National Ski Patrol, the Central Division is proud to honor the patrol as 2008-2009 Central Division Outstanding Nordic Patrol.

The Central Division is also very pleased to announce that for the 2008-2009 ski season, the National Ski Patrol judging committee has awarded Hiawatha Nordic a Unit Citation for being chosen Central Division Outstanding Nordic Patrol.

Lifetime Achievement Award

The Central Division Lifetime Achievement Award is specially awarded to a patroller recognized by the Central Division of the NSP who has demonstrated leadership, unusual qualities of patrolling ability, a desire to serve the skiing public, and extraordinary service and commitment to the NSP over a very long period of time.

This year the Central Division is pleased to make two Lifetime Achievement Awards to two patrollers who provide an outstanding example of commitment and excellence to the NSP and the Central Division.

Roland Chavey and Ed Raudabaugh were presented with Lifetime Achievement Awards during the Central Division 2009 Fall meeting on Mackinaw Island.

2008 - 2009 Central Division Awards

Lifetime Achievement Awards



Roland Chavey is presented his Central Division Lifetime Achievement Award.



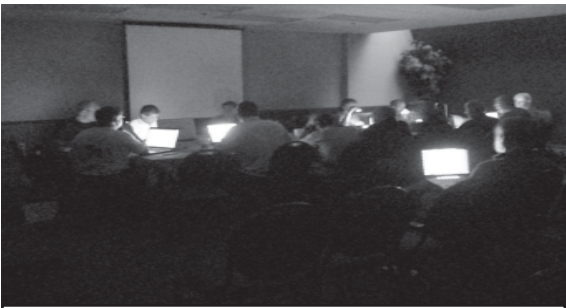
Central Division Lifetime Achievement Award
Patrollers With a Lifetime of Commitment to the NSP



Ed Raudabaugh is presented his Central Division Lifetime Achievement Award.

Timeless Tradition Snow-Fun-Family Final Report

The 2009 Central Division Fall Meeting Planning Committee would like to thank all of the Central Division members, family and friends who joined us on Mackinac Island. It was great having over 220 of our closest friends attend the many informational, educational, business and social activities. Fantastic late summer weather made the outdoor activities especially pleasant. The beautiful scenery was enjoyed by all and many patrollers brought family members to enjoy the historic atmosphere. Despite the Island-wide Sunday power failure, comments were generally very positive.



Where were you when the lights went out? In the dark! But the Division Board continued working by flash light, candle light and computer display.

Twenty-six attendees completed their annual CPR Refresher, twenty-one completed the Low Angle Rescue Class and thirty OEC Instructors attended the Recertification Clinic. Most gratifying to the committee however, was the overwhelming attendance at the 2009 Awards Banquet. With 215 attendees it was the largest dinner in recent Central Division history. Thank you for your participation and we look forward to seeing you at future meetings. The 2009 Central Division Fall Meeting Planning Committee

2009 Central Division Fall Meeting Photo Essay

Photos by: Chuck Thomas



Notice of Central Division Elections

By Ken Meldahl, Central Division Election Coordinator

SOUTH CENTRAL EASTERN MICHIGAN

At the Fall Division meeting on Mackinac Island, the Central Division Board approved a change in timing for Region Director Elections. The Western Region Director election was moved from 2010 to 2011, leaving Region Director Elections in 2010 for South Central and Eastern Michigan. The purpose of this is to have an equal number of elections each year.

In accordance with the current Policies & Procedures of the Central Division, an election for the position of Region Director for South Central and Eastern Michigan Regions will be held in the year 2010. The Region Director serves a three year term, administers the Region according to the Region's Bylaws and Policies and Procedures and reports directly to the Central Division Director.

Qualifications:

1. Must be a registered NSP member for at least five years
2. Must have served two terms as a Section Chief, Patrol Representative, or National, Division or Region Program Supervisor/Administrator for at least two years.
3. Must be familiar with National policies and procedures as defined in the current NSP Policies and Procedures manual.
4. Must be familiar with the Region's policies and procedures, as applicable.
5. Must be registered in the Division as a Senior (Alpine, Nordic or Auxiliary) Patroller or Certified Patroller.

Responsibilities:

1. Supports and fosters NSP mission Statement.
2. Promotes and supports all NSP education programs within the Region to maintain the integrity of NSP training standards.
3. As a member of the Division Board of Directors, the Region Director is responsible for duties developed and designated by the Division Board of Directors.

4. Responsible for all aspects of the NSP programs and activities supported by the Region.
5. Promotes the financial support of the NSP and its programs.
6. Visits all areas with the Region during their term of office.
7. Submits an annual report to the Division Board of Directors.
8. Is responsible for communicating National and Division policies to Sections and NSP Registration Units, and is responsible for communicating NSP Registration Unit concerns to the Division Director and/or Division Program Supervisors.
9. Writes articles and reports for Division Newsletter.
10. Ensures that all Section and NSP Registration Units submit annual reports and financial reports in a timely manner.
11. Recommends individuals to the Division Program Supervisors, and in consensus with them, appoints individuals to serve as Region Program Administrators.
12. Monitors the performance and effectiveness of Region Program Administrators and recommends changes in concert with the Division Program Supervisor when appropriate.

Nomination Procedure:

Nomination may be made by any Region active patroller in good standing or by self nomination. The nomination form can be found in this issue of the RPN or can be downloaded from the Central Division website: www.nspcentral.org. Nomination forms must be received by the Division Election Coordinator between December 30, 2009 and January 26, 2010. Nominees will be sent a "Candidate Information Sheet" that must be returned by February 9, 2010. All nominees must follow "Guidelines of Conduct for Candidates" found in the current Central Division Policies & Procedures.

ELECTION PROCEDURE:

The Division Election Coordinator will verify qualifications of nominees notify nominees of any deficiencies and collect nominee's resumes and/or

position statements which will be distributed to the electorate along with voting instructions by February 15, 2010. Ballots must be returned by March 8, 2010. Tabulation of ballots by the Division Election Coordinator and validated by the Election Review Committee by March 19, 2010. Election results will be announced to the electorate and posted on the Division website by March 27, 2010.

ELECTORATE:

The votes for the election of the Region Director shall consist of the following:

One vote for each Section Chief and Patrol Representative; one additional elector for patrols with 51 to 100 members, two additional electors for patrols with 101 to 150 members, and three additional electors for patrols with over 150 members. The number of members is based on the June 30th membership of the previous year.

Each elector must be an active member of that patrol with two or more years of service in the Division. The names, addresses and email of these electors shall be made available to the Division Election Coordinator no later than November 30, 2009. Compliance shall be the responsibility of the Region Election Coordinator, or the Region Director if no Region Election Coordinator is appointed.

Or

One vote for each of the registered members of the Region. If the one patroller one vote option is selected, the entire cost and operation of the election will be borne by the Region. The process and timing for the election must be pre-approved in writing by the Central Division Election Coordinator. The process will be monitored and certified by the Division Election Coordinator.

The candidate receiving the highest number of votes per an instant run-off vote process as detailed in Chapter 3 of the Central Division Policies & Procedures shall be declared the elected Region Director.

For complete elections information, including changes enacted by the Central Division Board at the Fall Division meeting, refer to the Central Division Policies and Procedures available on line at www.nspcentral.org.

Notice of Central Division Director Election

By Ken Meldahl, Central Division Election Coordinator

In accordance of the Policies & Procedures of the Central Division, an election for the position of Division Director will be held in the year 2010. The Division Director serves a three year term, administers the Division according to the Division's Bylaws and Policies and Procedures and reports directly to the Chair of the NSP Board of Directors.

Qualifications:

1. Must be a registered NSP member for at least five years. Membership in an NSP registered Professional Division patrol shall constitute NSP membership.
2. Must have served one term as Region Director or two terms as a Section Chief, or must have served as a Region, Division or National Program Supervisor for at least two years.
3. Must be familiar with National policies and procedures as defined in the current NSP Policies and Procedures manual.
4. Must be familiar with the Division policies and procedures, as applicable.
5. Must be registered in the Division as a Senior (Alpine, Nordic or Auxiliary) Patroller or Certified Patroller.

Responsibilities:

1. Supports and fosters NSP mission Statement.
2. Promotes NSP education programs within the Division; supports Division staff in managing the integrity of NSP training standards; establishes an atmosphere for

the exchange of skills, ideas, proposals, techniques and informational programs between NSP members, ski areas, NSP Registration Units and Regions.

3. Maintains accurate records at the Division levels. Develops an annual budget and presents it to the Division Board of Directors. Prepares an annual report and presents it at the annual Division meeting.
4. Carries out policies and responsibilities as defined in the NSP Policies and Procedures manual and the Division Bylaws.
5. Establishes and maintains relationships with other organizations related to the involvement of Central Division members including but not limited to the annual and semiannual meetings of the National Ski Patrol Board of Directors, PSIA, AASI and MSAA.

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Please see Division Director Election page 18

CENTRAL DIVISION ELECTION NOMINATION FORM

I _____, (_____) of _____ Region,
(Name) (NSP ID #) (Name of Region)

Nominate _____, (_____) of _____ **Region for the**
(Name) (NSP ID #) (Name of Region)
position of:

**Region Director
Division Director
(Check one)**

This form must be emailed or sent to the Division Election Coordinator (DEC) by January 26 (postmarked) of the election year.

MAIL TO: Ken Meldahl
Central Division Elections Coordinator
63 North Ave.
Fox Lake, IL 60020

Or nominate on-line at www.nspcentral.org

ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN JANUARY 30, 2010

**2009 Election
Starting October 15**

Cast your vote in the Board election and Bylaws ratification!

2009 Board of Directors Election Candidate Platform Statements and Applications

The platform statements and applications for the 2009 Board of Directors election can be found by visiting the national web site at www.nsp.org. There are eight nominees for four open seats. The election will open on Oct. 15, 2009 and an electronic ballot will again be used. All NSP members will receive, via e-mail, a link to the e-ballot prior to Oct. 15. You will need your **six-digit** National member ID number to vote. The election ends at midnight MST (11 p.m. PST) on Dec. 1, and the electronic ballot will close at that time.

Bylaws Ratification to be on Board Election Ballot

The Bylaws/Oversight Committee, together with the Governance Committee, revised and updated the National Bylaws to improve readability. The new version is a result of 3 years of effort by folks including Division Directors and the National Legal Committee. The NSP Board of Directors reviewed and approved the rewrite to the organization's Bylaws at its Annual Meeting in June. The Board is now requesting ratification of the Bylaws from the NSP membership. To allow this to happen, the ratification will be included on the 2009 Board of Directors election ballot, and members will have the opportunity to review and vote on the Bylaws changes. A copy of the rewritten Bylaws can be found via the national web site www.nsp.org

Central Division Women's Clinic Jan 30 - 31

By: Sandi Hammon, Women's Clinic Supervisor

Ladies are you interested in a weekend just for us on the snow? Perfect North Slopes is the spot this year, January 30th and 31st, 2010. This is our 10th Annual Women's Clinic. It is

a weekend for you; we want to help you build your skills and confidence out on the hill. Plus enjoy camaraderie with ladies that love the sport and the patrol. The women's staff is very qualified with the NSP and PSIA. All on staff want to share their experiences, knowledge and challenges they have had in the National Ski Patrol whether it has been on the snow or off the snow.

ing we will be on the snow at 9 am and should be finishing up by 2pm. Come and join us for this great weekend on the snow!

The area is located in Lawrenceburg, IN, just west of Cincinnati, OH. For more information on the area please visit - www.perfectnorth.com

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The event will be registered with NSP as a Ski Enhancement Seminar and a Toboggan Enhancement Seminar, wow that is 2 senior electives in one weekend. But it is up to you, you choose what you wish to do. You can ski both days, toboggan both days or do a day of each. This is a weekend for you; we want to make sure that you have fun learning and sharing new skills and experiences.

Saturday we will start at 8am and go until 4pm with a full day on the snow. We will all get together on Saturday evening for a dinner and social program from 6 -9pm. Sunday morn-

**Central Division
Women's Clinic
2010**

Perfect North Slopes Lawrenceburg, IN

January 30 - 31, 2010

Register Today!

Region Reports

Western Region

By: John (JT) Thomas, Western Region Director

The 2009 Fall Central Division meeting was a great success. Northern Michigan Region, thank you for being a great host. Northern Michigan Region selected a location which was fantastic and allowed many of us fanatics and guests from the Division to enjoy Mackinac Island. Western Region has been challenged as we host the 2010 Fall Central Division meeting in the wonderful location of Bloomington, Minnesota. The Division Meeting committee is busy planning an event filled with great activities. I hope to see you in Bloomington September 10, 11 and 12 of 2010.

Fellow patrollers, it is time to dust off those patrolling skills and get ready for the 2009-2010 ski season. Start thinking about your improvement goals for this upcoming season and find the courses to help meet that goal. If you don't see a course that fits your schedule or needs, email the Region advisor and see what can be scheduled to help meet your goals.

The Western Region will be hosting a Ski Trainers Workshop (STW) at Trollhaugen, one of three in the Division. I would like to thank Trollhaugen for hosting this event again this season. The dates of the event are December 5 and 6th. Mark your calendars and watch the WEB site for more information. Registration will be on line.

Have a great and safe season.

Eastern Michigan Region

By: Derek Werner, Eastern Michigan Region Director

As summer comes to an end, it's time to start planning for the 2009-2010 season. OEC and on-hill refreshers are just around the corner, as well as many other training programs the Region has to offer.

Just a quick reminder, that it is important for all of us to take an active role during OEC refreshers. These refreshers are crucial for us to keep our skills sharp and make sure we are fully prepared to treat the skiing public once the season starts. If you are going to miss your area's refresher, please make sure you attend another one in the Region or Division; you will also need to provide your Patrol Director with your completion record from the visited area. If you cannot make any of the scheduled area refreshers, there is a make-up refresher at Pine Knob on November 22nd. (You must pre-register at steve.werner@usa.net to attend the make-up refresher.)

In addition to your area's on-hill refreshers, there are three combined toboggan, skiing and snowboard enhancement seminars planned throughout the year. And, the Region staff is planning to visit each area during the season to provide extra training so patrollers can brush up their on-hill skills. Ask your Patrol Director for details on when we will be at your area.

It is with great sadness that I announce we lost two patrollers during the summer: Marty Sullivan and Mary Jo Leutheuser. Marty served for more than 30 years with the Alpine Valley Ski Patrol and was actively involved in teaching OEC and Mountain Travel & Rescue classes. Mary Jo served with distinction on the Pine Knob and Blizzard Ski Patrols for more than 40 years. Both of these patrollers will be dearly missed.

Finally, a plug for the Senior program. If you are looking to improve your skiing, toboggan handling and/or OEC skills, or if you want to become a better leader within your patrol, then the Senior program is just what you need. You can download an application from the Region Web site or get a copy from your Patrol Director. The applications should be returned to me by December 1st.

I look forward to seeing you on the slopes.

Ohio Region

By: Bill Currier, Ohio Region Director

GO BROWNS!! Well, it's not quite ski season and the Brownies need all the help they can get this season after a dismal 0 and 2 start. Seriously, we are already deeply involved with preparations for the upcoming season here in the Ohio Region. The Region organization is once again mostly complete following a few changes that occurred during the off-season and the unfortunate passing of the Senior Program Administrator. The latest addition is Bev Janke, Snow Trails, as the new Ohio Region Elections Officer.

Great news is that Janet Glaeser, a Boston Mills/Brandywine Patroller and an Ohio Region Section Chief, was selected as one of the eight candidates for a National Board of Directors position. Every patroller is encouraged to vote in this year's election. We should be able to significantly improve upon the 10% voter participation that occurred in the last election.

More exciting news is that the Ohio Region was chosen by the Central Division Board to host the 2011 Division Meeting that will be held Sept. 9-11, 2011. We have formed a committee that is already working to select a location for the meeting. Stay tuned and mark your calendars!

We held the fifth annual Patrol Representatives Conference on August 15 in Columbus, OH. Again, the event was a huge success in bringing together both new and continuing Patrol Representatives, Region Staff and guests for a day of focused conversations on topics of current interest to the PD's/PR's and social activities in an informal setting. This conference has proven to be a great venue for sharing ideas and concerns among the PD's/PR's and for generating action items to resolve issues. Jim Woodrum attended this year's retreat and provided valuable insights on events and issues at the National and Division levels. Rumor has it that he enjoyed the home-cooked Ohio blueberry pie so much, that he may return next August!

About 30 Ohio Region Patrollers and family members attended the Central Division Fall Meeting and Awards Banquet on Mackinac Island, MI. The weather was fantastic; the

venue at the Mission Point Hotel was superb; and a great time was had by all including those 'biker folks' that joined in the ride on Friday afternoon (no rain, thunderstorms and heavy traffic this year).

Ten Ohio Region Patrollers were honored as outstanding award winners and/or runners up at the Division Awards Banquet, and the Mad River Mountain Patrol was honored as the Outstanding Large Alpine Patrol. This is an amazing achievement. Congratulations to all.

The Ohio Region Fall Meeting was held on Sunday, Sept. 20. Plans are being made for the upcoming season including refreshers, open houses / ski swaps, OEC classes, on-hill training and our SEM in early December. This season we will be focusing on creating more assistant advisor positions to create opportunities for interested and qualified patrollers to move into the Region organization. Again this year, we are committing a large number of resources to our ski/board and toboggan training events with the goal of further enhancing our patroller's skills and image in the eyes of area management and their customers. We already have SES's and TES's planned for each area as well as clinics featuring PSIA/AASI instructors.

We are looking forward to a successful 2009/2010 season and hope to see many Central Division patrollers at the various events that we have planned.

Have a safe and enjoyable season.

North Central Region

By: David Dahl, North Central Region Director

Winter is just around the corner and some of you have already completed your refreshers. Good news for North Central Region.... Blackjack Ski Area is reopening this year and the patrol will be resurrected.

The fall division meeting was held September 11-13 on Mackinac Island, Michigan. It was a beautiful venue for the meeting, a beautiful weekend and we accomplished a lot. Sunday's meeting was held in the dark, due to a power outage – always an adventure!

The awards banquet was held on Saturday evening. Congratulations to:

Tari Blank from Granite Peak, Central Division First Runner Up for Outstanding OEC Instructor

Minocqua Winter Park, Central Division First Runner Up for Outstanding Nordic Patrol

Unfortunately, I received a Black Demerit star – you'll have to ask me about the details!

Upcoming Division S&T Evaluator/Trainer Clinics

December 5-6, _____ Minnesota
December 12-13, Boyne Highlands, Michigan
December 19-20, Cascade Mountain, Wisconsin

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2009 - 2010 Central Division Calendar

DATE	TYPE	REGION	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
2009-11-15	AVALANCHE	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob	Avalanche I	Derek Werner - derek.werner@usa.net
2010-02-13	AVALANCHE	Eastern Michigan	Whiteface New York	One day snow science course at Whiteface Mt., New York.	Dale Mihuta
2010-02-21	AVALANCHE	Eastern Michigan	Apple Mtn.	EMR3 Basic Ski & Toboggan Evaluation	Mary Gaffney - skiharley@charter.net
2010-03-06	AVALANCHE	North Central	Mt. Bohemia, MI UP	One day snow science course at Mt. Bohemia, Michigan	Dale Mihuta
DATE	TYPE	REGION	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
2010-02-07	AWARDS	North Central		Major award applications due	Marcia Locher 715 341 8943 rlocher@charter.net
2010-02-21	AWARDS	North Central		Region Awards Electronic Voting Complete	Marcia Locher 715 341 8943 rlocher@charter.net
2010-03-07	AWARDS	Northern Michigan	Shanty Creek Ski Resort	NMR Awards Committee Meeting	Dick Jacques
2010-05-01	AWARDS	Northern Michigan	Schuss Mountain Resort	NMR Awards Banquet	Dick Jacques
DATE	TYPE	REGION	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
2010-04-18	BANQUET	North Central	Waters of Minocqua	Region Spring Meeting and Banquet	David Dahl david.dahl@greenheck.com
2010-05-01	BANQUET	Western Michigan	Cannonsburg	Region Awards Banquet	ajcjwtolfer@chartermi.net
2010-05-15	BANQUET	Eastern Michigan	TBD	EMR Awards Banquet	Mike Schons - mschons@yahoo.com
DATE	TYPE	REGION	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
2010-01-10	CERTIFIED	Ohio	PNS	8:30 AM Certified pre-qual/Recertification	Dan Moss
2010-02-25	CERTIFIED	Ohio	Marquette	8:30 AM Division Certified Test	Dan Moss
DATE	TYPE	REGION	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
2010-02-20	DEADLINES	Northern Michigan		Individual Awards Deadline	Dick Jacques
2010-02-22	DEADLINES	Northern Michigan	Alanson, MI	NMR OEC SEM Paperwork Deadline	Tena Lechtanski
2010-02-24	DEADLINES	Northern Michigan		Deadline for Outstanding Awards Submissions	Dick Jacques
2010-06-01	DEADLINES	North Central		Powder Lines Deadline	Tim Zimmerman
DATE	TYPE	REGION	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
2009-11-01	INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT		Northern Michigan	Nub's Nob Ski Patrol	Sharon Crockett
2010-03-15	INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT		Ohio	BMBW	Janet Glaeser
2010-03-17	INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT		Ohio	BMBW	Janet Glaeser
2010-04-11	INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT		Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	Ellen Burchfield - ellburch@aol.com
DATE	TYPE	REGION	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
2009-10-17	MEETING	North Central	Ski Brule	Fall Region Board Meeting	David Dahl 715 536 4705 dcdski@dwave.net
2009-11-08	MEETING	Ohio	Snow Trails	Hill Captains Meeting	Dave Baumlein
2010-04-09	MEETING	North Central	Chicago	Central Division Spring Meeting	David Dahl david.dahl@greenheck.com
2010-04-10	MEETING	Ohio	Chicago (Oakbrook)	Central Division Spring BOD Meeting	Jim Woodrum
2010-04-24	MEETING	Ohio	Snow Trails	Region Spring Meeting & Awards Banquet	Bill Currier / Dave Baumlein
2010-05-01	MEETING	Northern Michigan	Schuss Mountain Resort	NMR Board of Directors Meeting	Bob Lechtanski
2010-05-05	MEETING	Eastern Michigan	Holiday Inn, Flint	EMR Spring Meeting	Derek Werner - derek.werner@usa.net
2010-08-10	MEETING	Ohio	Shanty Creek Resort, Belaire, MI	MSAA Annual Meeting	Ken Meldahl, Central Div. Rep
2010-08-13	MEETING	Ohio	Columbus, OH	PR Retreat	Jim Vickroy
2010-09-10	MEETING	Ohio	Minneapolis, MN	Central Division Fall Meeting and Awards Banquet	Jim Woodrum
2010-09-19	MEETING	Ohio		Region Fall Meeting - Alternate date 9-26	Bill Currier
2011-09-09	MEETING	Ohio	Ohio	Central Division Fall Meeting and Awards Banquet	Jim Woodrum
DATE	TYPE	REGION	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
2009-10-30	MTR	Ohio	Tar Hollow State Park,	6:00 PM MTR Level II Field Session	Bill Schick/Ray Martodam
2009-11-06	MTR	Ohio	PNS to SEOhio	MTR II Backpack Trip	Bill Schick - PNS
2010-02-07	MTR	Eastern Michigan	TBD	MTR Fundamentals & Level II - Class Session	Chuck White - cwhite@kettering.edu
2010-02-19	MTR	Eastern Michigan	TBD	MTR Fundamentals & Level II - Field Session	Chuck White - cwhite@kettering.edu
2010-03-06	MTR	North Central	location TBD	MTR 1	Randy Tufts 1 651 330 1052 randytufts@yahoo.com
2010-03-27	MTR	Ohio	PNS	8:30-5:00 MTR Classroom	Bill Schick
2010-04-10	MTR	Ohio	TBD (PNS)	8:00 AM Apr 10 to Noon Apr 11, MTR Level I Field Session (Car camping)	Bill Schick
2010-04-18	MTR	Eastern Michigan	Independence Oaks	MTR Fundamentals & Level I - Field	Chuck White - cwhite@kettering.edu
DATE	TYPE	REGION	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
2009-11-07	OEC	Ohio	BM	OEC Practical Final	Jim Bichl
2009-12-05	OEC	Ohio	Boston Mills/Brandywine	SEM	Alicia Knapke-Stanley
2009-12-06	OEC	Eastern Michigan	Alpine Valley	OEC Enhancement Seminar - Splinting	Allen Radke - theradkes@sbcglobal.net
2009-12-14	OEC	Eastern Michigan	Alpine Valley	OEC Enhancement Seminar - Traction Splinting	Allen Radke - theradkes@sbcglobal.net
2010-01-10	OEC	Eastern Michigan	Alpine Valley	OEC Enhancement Seminar - Vitals/Oxygen	Allen Radke - theradkes@sbcglobal.net
2010-01-17	OEC	Eastern Michigan	Alpine Valley	OEC Enhancement Seminar - CPR On-the-hill	Allen Radke - theradkes@sbcglobal.net
2010-01-28	OEC	Eastern Michigan	Alpine Valley	OEC Enhancement Seminar - Backboard	Allen Radke - theradkes@sbcglobal.net
2010-03-01	OEC	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	OEC Class Begins	Rich Hansen - teamhansen@comcast.net
2010-03-06	OEC	Ohio	TBD	SEM 2, Planned for Paoli Peaks conditions permitting.	Alicia Knapke-Stanley
DATE	TYPE	REGION	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT
2009-10-16	OTHER EVENTS	Ohio	Alpine Valley	Open House & Ski Swap	Pat Aquila
2009-10-16	OTHER EVENTS	Ohio	BMBW	Ski Swap Weekend	Layton Ives
2009-10-17	OTHER EVENTS	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Brighton	Mt. Brighton Ski Swap	Dick Thalacker - skiman1@juno.com
2009-10-24	OTHER EVENTS	Eastern Michigan	Midland Community Center	Snowsake Ski Swap	Mark Kuehl - judenmark@chartermi.net
2009-10-30	OTHER EVENTS	Ohio	Snow Trails	Ski Fair & Ski Swap	Dave Baumlein
2009-10-31	OTHER EVENTS	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob	Pine Knob Ski Swap	Pam King - pammyking8384@aol.com
2009-11-01	OTHER EVENTS	Ohio	Mad River Mtn	Ski Swap	Kim Hiser
2009-11-06	OTHER EVENTS	Ohio	PNS	Ski Swap	Sandi Hammons

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2009-11-07	OTHER EVENTS	Eastern Michigan	Alpine Valley	Alpine Valley Ski Swap	Allen Radke - theradkes@sbcglobal.net
2009-11-08	OTHER EVENTS	Ohio	Paoli Peaks	Ski Swap/Rod Run/Open House	Bruce Heichelbech
2009-11-08	OTHER EVENTS	Ohio	Snow Trails	Hut Clean Up	Dave Baumlein
2009-11-21	OTHER EVENTS	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	Mt. Holly Ski Swap	Shannon Walsh - smwrains@comcast.net
2009-11-21	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Granite Peak	Granite Peak Opens	Les Robinson 715 213 2918 llrobins@wctc.net
2009-12-12	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Ski Brule	Brule Ski Swap	Joe Matuszak 920 865 7608 jmtooz@aol.com
2010-01-30	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Marquette	Nokamegon Ski Race	Jim Grundstrom jimgrundstrom@freichevy.com
2010-02-20	OTHER EVENTS	Ohio	Snow Trails	Winter Carnival	Dave Baumlein
2010-02-27	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Hayward, WI	Birkebeiner	Barbara Wheeler bawheelerski@msn.com
2010-03-03	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Minocqua Winter Park	Lakeland Loppet	Betty Adams 715 588 7731 mbadams@newnorth.net
2010-03-14	OTHER EVENTS	North Central		Great Bear Chase	Barbara Wheeler 1 906 487 9695 bawheelerski@msn.com
2010-05-17	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Iola, WI	Bump 'n Jump	Keith Robinson 1 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com
2010-05-31	OTHER EVENTS	North Central		Tesomas Crystal Lake Classic	Keith Robinson 1 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com
2010-06-07	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Wausau, WI	Nine Mile Big Ring Classic	Steve Konkel 1 715 675 9263 steven.konkel@gte.net
2010-06-25	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Marquette, MI	Superior Bike Festival	Jim Grundstrom jimgrundstrom@freichevy.com
2010-07-25	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Wausau, WI	Nine Mile 24 Hour Bike Race	Steve Konkel 1 715 675 9263 steven.konkel@gte.net

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2009-10-17	REFRESHERS	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	CPR & Chair Evac	Lynn Hunt - (810) 701-9181
2009-10-17	REFRESHERS	Ohio	Paoli Peaks	8:00 AM OEC Refresher	Bruce Heichelbech
2009-10-17	REFRESHERS	Southern	Snow Creek Ski Area,	OEC Refresher-Snow Creek	Noel Derr
2009-10-17	REFRESHERS	Southern	Chestnut Mtn Resort, Galena	OEC Refresher-Chestnut Mountain	Deb Allison
2009-10-17	REFRESHERS	Western Michigan	Crystal Mountain	Crystal Mountain OEC and Chair Evac refresher	ghoppe@chartermi.net
2009-10-18	REFRESHERS	Eastern Michigan	Bendle High School	Mt. Holly OEC Refresher	Lynn Hunt - (810) 701-9181
2009-10-18	REFRESHERS	Southern	Wilmot Mtn. Ski Area	OEC Refresher- Wilmot Mountain	Nay Meyer
2009-10-24	REFRESHERS	North Central	Norway Mnt	Norway OEC/CPR refresher	Edward Jarosz 920-366-9282 ehj546@juno.com
2009-10-25	REFRESHERS	Southern	Grand Geneva Mountain Top,	Lake Geneva, WI OEC Refresher Grand Geneva	Russ Nykaza
2009-10-25	REFRESHERS	Southern	Snowstar Ski Area	OEC Refresher - Snowstar	Ray Carter

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2009-11-01	REFRESHERS	North Central	Minocqua Winter Park	Winter Park OEC Refresher	Betty Adams 715 588 7731 mbadams@newnorth.net
2009-11-08	REFRESHERS	Southern	Hidden Valley Ski Area,	OEC Refresher- Hidden Valley	Ernie Mueller
2009-11-10	REFRESHERS	Ohio	Boston Mills	LAST OEC Refresher in Ohio, Cuyahoga Nordics, \$35 fee	Daryl Knauss
2009-11-16	REFRESHERS	Ohio	BM	Opening week and Chair evac refresher	Tom Ciranna
2009-11-22	REFRESHERS	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob	OEC/CPR Make-up Refresher (\$50/\$25) *Must Pre-Register*	Steve & Karen Werner - steve.werner@usa.net
2009-12-05	REFRESHERS	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	Ski Trainers Workshop	Tim Gaffney - tobogganrunners@charter.net
2010-01-09	REFRESHERS	North Central	Granite Peak	Sec 4 On Hill refreshers	Les Robinson 715 213 2918 llrobins@wctc.net

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2009-10-17	SENIOR	North Central	Ski Brule	Optional SEM Workshop	Greg Kerwin gkerwin@juno.net
2009-12-01	SENIOR	Eastern Michigan	Email	Senior Application Deadline	Derek Werner - derek.werner@usa.net
2009-12-01	SENIOR	North Central		Senior Applications Due	uptelegirl@gmail.com
2010-01-10	SENIOR	Western Michigan	Caberfae	Senior Hill Warm Up	MFickSr@steelcase.com
2010-01-16	SENIOR	Western Michigan	Cannonsburg	Senior Emergency Mangement Workshop	Greg Kerwin gkerwin@juno.net
2010-01-17	SENIOR	North Central	Ski Brule	SEM Mandatory Pre test for Senior Candidates	Mike Case - emtski@comcast.net
2010-02-01	SENIOR	Eastern Michigan	Email	Senior ESM Scenario Skill Sign Offs Due	Greg Kerwin 1 906 226 2431
2010-02-20	SENIOR	North Central	Indian Head	Senior SEM and S&T	gkerwin@juno.com Les Robinson 715 213 2918 llrobins@wctc.net
2010-02-20	SENIOR	Ohio		8:30 AM Senior Alpine Ski Clinic	Amy Arnold
2010-02-20	SENIOR	Southern	Chestnut Mtn Resort	Senior Ski/Snowboard & Toboggan Evaluation	Patrick Perlman
2010-02-21	SENIOR	Northern Michigan	Boyne Mountain Resort	NMR Senior Ski & Tobogganing Proficiency Evaluation	Aren Fairchild & Mike Leach
2010-02-21	SENIOR	Ohio		Ohio Region Alpine Senior Exam	Jay Zedak
2010-02-22	SENIOR	Northern Michigan	Alanson, MI	NMR OEC SEM Paperwork Deadline	Tena Lechtanski
2010-02-27	SENIOR	Western Michigan	Crystal Mountain	Senior Hill Bump Clinic	uptelegirl@gmail.com
2010-02-28	SENIOR	Western Michigan	Crystal Mountain	Senior Hill Evaluation	uptelegirl@gmail.com
2010-03-06	SENIOR	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	Senior Scene Mgt. Evaluation	Mike Case - emtski@comcast.net
2010-03-06	SENIOR	Southern	Snowstar Ski Area	SEM Evaluation	Len Kunkel
2010-03-07	SENIOR	Northern Michigan	Shanty Creek Ski Resort	NMR SEM Evaluation	Tena Lechtanski
2010-03-07	SENIOR	Western Michigan	Cannonsburg	Senior Emergency Mangement Evaluation	mficksr@steelcase.com

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2009-11-14	TESTING/TRAINING	North Central	Granite Peak	OEC Final	Les Robinson 715 213 2918 llrobins@wctc.net
2009-11-16	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Snow Trails	Chair Evac	Dave Baumlein
2009-11-21	TESTING/TRAINING	North Central	Ski Brule	Early Season SES	Joe Matuszak 920 865 7608 jmtooz@aol.com
2009-12-12	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Boyne Highlands, MI	Central Division S&T Clinic	Don Leorch
2010-01-02	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Snow Snake	TES, SES, SBES, Telemark Enhancement	Tim Gaffney - tobogganrunners@charter.net
2010-01-02	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	BMW	8:30 AM STW	Amy Arnold/Troy Southwick
2010-01-03	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Brighton	TES, SES, SBES, Telemark Enhancement	Tim Gaffney - tobogganrunners@charter.net
2010-01-09	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Alpine Valley	TES, SES, SBES, Telemark Enhancement	Tim Gaffney - tobogganrunners@charter.net
2010-01-09	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands Ski Resort	NMR Instructor Calibration Clinic	Aren Fairchild
2010-01-09	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	PNS	8:30 AM STW	Amy Arnold/Troy Southwick
2010-01-09	TESTING/TRAINING	Southern	Hidden Valley Ski Area	TES	
2010-01-09	TESTING/TRAINING	Southern	Seven Oaks Ski Area	SES	
2010-01-10	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob	Senior Ski & Toboggan Pre-Test Clinic	
2010-01-10	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands Ski Resort	NMT Training Clinic	Derek Werner - derek.werner@usa.com
2010-01-16	TESTING/TRAINING	North Central	Ski Brule	North Central SES/S&T	Aren Fairchild
2010-01-16	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Mad River	TES	Jim Grundstrom 906 228 7194, Joe Matuszak 1 920 865 7608 Troy Southwick

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2010-01-16	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Snow Trails	8:30 AM STW PSIA focused	strhoda@aol.com Jon O'Dell - bikenski9@sbcglobal.net Aren Fairchild Troy Southwick Amy Arnold
2010-01-17	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	BM/BW	TES	
2010-01-17	TESTING/TRAINING	Western Michigan	Bittersweet	Toboggan Enhancement Seminar	
2010-01-23	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Independence Oaks	Nordic Ski Clinic & Ski Test	
2010-01-23	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Nubs Nob Ski Resort	NMR Ski Enhancement Seminar (SES)	Mary Gaffney - skiharley@charter.net Aren Fairchild Troy Southwick Amy Arnold
2010-01-23	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Snow Trails	TES	
2010-01-23	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Paoli Peaks	8:30 AM SES/SNES	
2010-01-23	TESTING/TRAINING	Southern	Snow Creek Ski Area,	TES/SES	
2010-01-24	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	"Ladies of the Snow" Clinic	Amy Arnold dennissueob@aol.com Amy Arnold Sandi Hammons Natalie Faes Mike Schons - mschons@yahoo.com Amy Arnold Natalie Faes Derek Werner - derek.werner@usa.net Mike Leach Dale Walker Amy Arnold Carl Woodcock & Dan Dryden Troy Southwick Amy Arnold strhoda@aol.com Troy Southwick Dave Petrak - dpetrak@ci.ann-arbor.mi.us Mary Gaffney - skiharley@charter.net Troy Southwick strhoda@aol.com Joe Matuszak 1 920 865 7608 jmt00z@aol.com John Wallace & Chuck Thomas Ann-Mary Petroskey & Jeff Summers Aren Fairchild & Mike Leach Jack_Katerberg@urscorp.com Keith Robinson 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com Tena Lechtanski
2010-01-24	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands Ski Resort	NMR Toboggan Enhancement Seminar (TES)	
2010-01-24	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	PNS	8:30 AM SES/SNES	
2010-01-24	TESTING/TRAINING	Western Michigan	Timber Ridge	Ski Enhancement Seminar	
2010-01-30	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Alpine Valley	8:30 AM SES/SNES	
2010-01-30	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	PNS	Womens Clinic	
2010-01-30	TESTING/TRAINING	Southern	Sundown, Dubuque, IA	SES	
2010-01-31	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Alpine Valley	EM1 Basic Ski & Tob Evaluation	
2010-01-31	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	BM/BW	8:30 AM SES/SNES	
2010-01-31	TESTING/TRAINING	Southern	Chestnut Mountain	SES & TES	
2010-02-06	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Boyne Mtn.	Senior Ski & Toboggan Evaluation	Tena Lechtanski
2010-02-06	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Boyne Mountain	NMR Ski & Toboggan Instructor Development Clinic	
2010-02-06	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Holimont	3rd Annual Tele Clinic	
2010-02-06	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	MRM	8:30 AM SES/SNES	
2010-02-07	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Nubs Nob Ski Resort	NMR Section #1 Basic Evaluation	
2010-02-07	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Paoli Peaks	TES	
2010-02-07	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Snow Trails	8:30 AM SES/SNES	
2010-02-07	TESTING/TRAINING	Western Michigan	Caberfae	Toboggan Enhancement Seminar	
2010-02-13	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Perfect North	TES	
2010-02-14	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Brighton	EMR2 Basic Ski & Tob Evaluation	
2010-02-14	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	EMR3 Basic Ski & Toboggan Evaluation	Tena Lechtanski
2010-02-14	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Alpine Valley/Big Creek	TES	
2010-02-14	TESTING/TRAINING	Western Michigan	Pando	Toboggan Enhancement Seminar	
2010-02-20	TESTING/TRAINING	North Central	Ski Brule	Candidate Evaluation	
2010-02-20	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	TreeTops Ski Resort	NMR Section #2 Basic Evaluation	
2010-02-20	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	TreeTops Ski Area	NMR Section #3 Basic Evaluation	
2010-02-21	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Boyne Mountain Resort	NMR Senior Ski & Tobogganing Proficiency Evaluation	
2010-02-21	TESTING/TRAINING	Western Michigan	Cannonsburg	Section II Basic Hill	
2010-02-27	TESTING/TRAINING	North Central	Granite Peak	Sec 4 S & T Evaluation	
2010-03-07	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Shanty Creek Ski Resort	NMR SEM Evaluation	

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If you are presently a Senior S&T Evaluator, please plan on attending one of these division clinics. There will be a separate session where Division will introduce a pilot program which, depending on your input at the clinics, may be implemented the following year.

All trainers & evaluators in the North Central Region are invited to attend any of the Division clinics, but preregistration is required. Please contact me for further information, or check your Rusty Parka News.

North Central Region's SEM and S&T Clinic will be held January 16, 2010. Once again,

Ski Brule is hosting this event, and I'm sure they will make this a superior event, as always. We encourage all patrollers to attend, especially trainers and evaluators, to develop their skills and hear about any changes to our training and testing methods. Jim Grundstrom is facilitating this event and the focus this year is on providing each patroller with dedicated training, whether in skiing, toboggan handling, evaluating, training, etc. We will be grouping patrollers based on skill levels and areas of interest. Contact Jim Grundstrom for further information. 906-228-7194.

Senior Program

* Deadline for registration for senior candidates is December 1, 2009.

* All senior candidates must attend the Regional SEM & S&T Clinic at Brule on January 16, 2010 (see above)

* Senior SEM & S&T Evaluation will be held February 20-21 at Indianhead Mountain

Toboggan IT's – in order to maintain your IT status, you must contact Jim Grundstrom and make arrangements to assist with at least one on-the-hill toboggan refresher away from your home area. The Region will pay for your mileage to attend your out-of-area event.

Here's hoping for a safe ski season with lots of snow. See you on the slopes (or at the refresher!)

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personnel. This course is a senior elective or can be used as a stepping stone to the next level in the Level 2 course. This course prepares you for getting the most use of your time in the big mountain environment. Join us in Utah.

The Level 2 course held in Utah this year is a week long ending with a real avalanche rescue and lots of backcountry skiing. The Level 2 course is only required to be 3 days long.

We greatly exceed the requirement and still you get ample amounts of powder skiing. We usually take Wednesday off. You may free ski, heli-ski, snowshoe or just hang out. This course is designed to be fun but it also involves a lot of work.

Here are some dates to remember:

Ohio Region
November 14th and 15th at PN—Level 1, 4RP

Eastern Michigan
November 15th at Pine Knob——Level 1

Northern Michigan

December 12th and 13th Boyne Highlands—Level 1, 4RP

North Central
January 2nd and 3rd Marquette Mt.—Level 1, 4RP

If you are interested in avalanche education please feel free to call me concerning information on the Level 1 course in your area or the Level 2 course for Rescue Personnel held in Utah. Experience the powder.

DIVISION ALPINE CLINICS

EVENT DATES/LOCATIONS:

DECEMBER 5TH & 6TH **TROLLHAUGEN SKI AREA**, DRESSER, WISCONSIN
DECEMBER 12TH & 13TH **BOYNE HIGHLANDS RESORT**, HARBOR SPRINGS, MICHIGAN
DECEMBER 19TH & 20TH **CASCADE MOUNTAIN SKI AREA**, PORTAGE, WISCONSIN

DIVISION SKILLS DEVELOPMENT TEAM MEMBERS:

DARCY HANLEY (DIV. SENIOR PROGRAM SUPERVISOR) **TOM WORLEY** (DIV. TOBOGGAN SUPERVISOR)
JAY ZEDAK (DIV. SKI SCHOOL DIRECTOR) **DON LOERCH** (DIV. SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SUPERVISOR)

PROGRAM OFFERING:

TOBOGGAN INSTRUCTOR TRAINER - CONTINUING ED (FULL DAY) THIS SESSION IS DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY FOR TOBOGGAN IT'S. THE OBJECTIVE IS TO REFRESH AND CALIBRATE PARTICIPANTS. EACH SMALL GROUP WILL EXECUTE SKILL DEMONSTRATIONS USING A "TEACHING THE TEACHER" FORMAT. DEMOS WILL BE CRITIQUED BY THE ENTIRE GROUP, FOLLOWED BY SUGGESTED DRILLS AND TECHNIQUES TO FACILITATE GOAL ACHIEVEMENT. **REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO CURRENT TOBOGGAN IT'S.**

TOBOGGAN INSTRUCTOR WORKSHOP – REFRESH YOUR TEACHING SKILLS (FULL DAY) THIS SESSION IS DESIGNED FOR ALL REGION AND HILL TOBOGGAN INSTRUCTORS. THE OBJECTIVE IS TO REFRESH AND CALIBRATE PARTICIPANTS TO CURRENT ALPINE STANDARDS. GROUP MEMBERS WILL HAVE AMPLE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE THE REALM OF THE NSP TOBOGGAN INSTRUCTOR. JOIN FELLOW INSTRUCTORS FROM ACROSS THE DIVISION FOR A MEMORABLE DAY ON THE MOUNTAIN. **REGISTER EARLY AS ENROLLMENT WILL BE LIMITED FOR THIS SESSION.**

SENIOR ALPINE EVALUATION – STANDARDS AND PRACTICES/INSTRUCTOR CALIBRATION (FULL DAY)
THIS SESSION IS DESIGNED FOR DIVISION Q/A STAFF, SENIOR SNOWBOARD/ALPINE REGION EVALUATORS, EXAMINERS AND ALL PATROLLERS WHO TRAIN SENIOR CANDIDATES. THE OBJECTIVE IS TO INTRODUCE AND CALIBRATE GROUPS TO THE NEW SENIOR ALPINE SKI/SNOWBOARD EVALUATION FORM. PARTICIPANTS CAN EXPECT INSIGHT INTO APPROPRIATE SKILL LEVELS AND DEMOS FOR MOVEMENT ANALYSIS, TEACHING AND SKIING. SKILL SETS REVIEWED WILL MIRROR THOSE EXPECTED OF A SENIOR LEVEL EVALUATOR ON SENIOR RATED TERRAIN. **BRING YOUR OWN COPY OF THE SENIOR EVALUATION FOUND UNDER PROGRAM UPDATES ON THE WEBSITE.**

SENIOR ALPINE EVALUATOR – BRIDGING PRE-CERTIFICATION CLINIC (FULL DAY) THIS SESSION IS DESIGNED FOR SENIOR EVALUATORS WHO DO NOT HOLD A CURRENT PSIA LEVEL II OR HIGHER CERTIFICATION. THE OBJECTIVE WILL BE TO REVIEW AND REFRESH SKILLS SETS CONSISTENT WITH THOSE REQUIRED OF THE FUTURE SENIOR ALPINE EVALUATOR. GROUPS WILL REVIEW REQUISITE SKILLS INCLUDING; SKIING/TOBOGGAN HANDLING, UNDERSTANDING OF THE EVALUATION STANDARDS ACCOMPANIED BY A DISCUSSION OF EFFECTIVE/INEFFECTIVE MOVEMENT PATTERNS. SUCCESSFUL PARTICIPANTS WILL BE BETTER PREPARED TO ENTER THE ANTICIPATED 2010-11 BRIDGED SENIOR ALPINE EXAMINER PROGRAM. **REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO REGION EVALUATORS SELECTED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE REGION DIRECTOR'S PROFICIENCY STAFF.**

SKI/BOARD ENHANCEMENT SEMINAR (SES) – FOR SENIOR SKIING/BOARDING MINDED MEMBERS (FULL DAY) THIS SESSION IS DESIGNED FOR SENIOR TRAINERS AND SENIOR EVALUATORS . THE OBJECTIVE WILL BE PERSONAL SKIING/BOARDING DEVELOPMENT. PARTICIPANTS WILL SPEND THE DAY EXPLORING CURRENT SKI/BOARD SNOW SPORT MOVEMENT PATTERNS AND HOW THEY APPLY TO THE LATEST IN EQUIPMENT DEVELOPMENTS (SHAPED SKIS, ETC.).

SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY

8:30 - 9:00 AM CHECK-IN, DISTRIBUTION OF LIFT TICKETS
9:00 - 9:30 AM INTRODUCTIONS AND PROGRAM OVERVIEW
9:30-12:00AM PROGRAM EVENT SESSIONS

12:00-1:00PM LUNCH ON YOUR OWN WITH CLINIC LEADER
1:00 - 4:00 PM SESSIONS CONTINUE
4:00 - 4:30 PM RECONVENE / RECAP

SUNDAY

8:30 - 9:00 AM CHECK-IN, DISTRIBUTION OF LIFT TICKETS
9:30 - 1:00 PM PROGRAM EVENT SESSIONS
12:00-1:00 PM LUNCH ON YOUR OWN WITH CLINIC LEADER

1:00 - 2:00 PM COURSE EVALUATION AND FINAL WRAP-UP

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED:

PLEASE VISIT THE CENTRAL DIVISION WEB SITE AT:[HTTP://NSPCENTRAL.ORG/INDEX.PHP](http://nspcentral.org/index.php) TO REGISTER AND PAY ON-LINE.
THE REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS **NOVEMBER 6TH, 2009**

COST:

\$25.00 DIVISION CLINIC FEE (ADD \$10.00 FOR 2 DAY LIFT TICKET AT TROLLHAUGEN EVENT)

PAY AND REGISTER ON LINE AT [HTTP://NSPCENTRAL.ORG/INDEX.PHP](http://nspcentral.org/index.php) .

WEATHER ISSUES:

CLINICS WILL TAKE PLACE REGARDLESS OF MOTHER NATURE'S BEHAVIOR.

LODGING FOR THE TROLLHAUGEN EVENT:

ST CROIX RIVER INN [WWW.STCROIXRIVERINN.COM](http://www.stcroixriverinn.com) - (715) 294-4248
RIVER VALLEY INN & SUITES [WWW.OSCEOLARIVERVALLEYINN.COM](http://www.osceolarivervalleyinn.com) - (715) 294-4060
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS HOTEL & SUITES ST. CROIX VALLEY [WWW.HIEXPRESS.COM](http://www.hiexpress.com) - (877) 863-4780

LODGING FOR THE BOYNE HIGHLANDS EVENT:

LODGING IS AVAILABLE AT THE BOYNE HIGHLANDS RESORT. CONTACT CENTRAL RESERVATIONS AT BOYNE MOUNTAIN AT 1-800-GOBOYNE. IDENTIFY YOURSELF AS PART OF THE NATIONAL SKI PATROL CENTRAL DIVISION CLINIC TO BE HELD AT THE HIGHLANDS. THERE ARE ALSO SEVERAL HOTELS IN THE PETOSKEY AREA AND THE BEST WESTERN IN HARBOR SPRINGS IS CONVENIENT.

AS USUAL WE ANTICIPATE THE PSIA-C DIVISION EVENT WILL BE TAKING PLACE THIS SAME WEEKEND. *IT WOULD BE WISE TO MAKE RESERVATIONS WELL IN ADVANCE.*

LODGING FOR THE CASCADE MOUNTAIN EVENT:

BEST WESTERN, PORTAGE : 608-742-2200
DAYS INN, PORTAGE: 608-742-1154

NSP PARKAS AND PACKS WILL BE THE UNIFORMS FOR ALL CLINICS UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

(REGISTRATION FORM AS SEEN ON LINE AT)
[HTTP://NSPCENTRAL.ORG/INDEX.PHP](http://nspcentral.org/index.php)

DIVISION ALPINE CLINICS
PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

EVENT ATTENDING. PLEASE CHECK ONE:

TROLLHAUGEN, DECEMBER 5-6, 2009
BOYNE HIGHLANDS, DECEMBER 12-13, 2009
CASCADE MOUNTAIN, DECEMBER 19-20, 2009

NAME:_____
ADDRESS:_____
CITY:_____STATE:_____ZIP:_____

NPS MEMBERSHIP NUMBER:_____PSIA DIV No:_____
PSIA NATIONAL No:_____

HOME PHONE:_____EMAIL:_____
HOME PATROL/REGION:_____
NSP TITLE OR POSITION:_____

WILL YOU BE ON SKIS OR A SNOWBOARD?_____ARE YOU CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF
THE NSP-C SKI SCHOOL?_____
ARE YOU CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF PSIA? ARE YOU CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF AASI?____

WHAT IS YOUR LEVEL OF PSIA CERTIFICATION?_____
WHAT IS YOUR LEVEL OF AASI CERTIFICATION?_____

PROGRAM REGISTRATION-PLEASE CHECK TWO SESSIONS TO COMPLETE YOUR TWO FULL DAYS:

TOBOGGAN INSTRUCTOR TEACHER – CONTINUING ED (FULL DAY)
TOBOGGAN INSTRUCTOR – REFRESH YOUR TEACHING SKILLS (FULL DAY)
SENIOR ALPINE EVALUATION – STANDARDS AND PRACTICES (FULL DAY)
SENIOR ALPINE EVALUATOR – BRIDGING CERTIFICATION CLINIC (FULL DAY)
SES - FOR SENIOR SKIING MINDED MEMBERS (FULL DAY)

PAYMENT COMPLETED ON LINE

\$25.00 CLINIC FEE, ADD \$10.00 FOR 2 DAY LIFT TICKET AT TROLLHAUGEN

REGISTRATION CLOSES NOVEMBER 6TH, 2009

CENTRAL DIVISION ALPINE CLINICS

DON LOERCH, CENTRAL DIVISION SKILLS
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