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Jim Woodrum, Central Division Director **CENTRAL DIVISION** DIRECTOR'S NOTES:

I trust you are having a great season! We've had great snow at the beginning of the year to hopefully carry us through most of the season. The one issue that is most perplexing this year over previous years is the number of patrollers that have gotten themselves hurt when patrolling. Please take care of yourselves; we only have one shot at this gig!

I took the opportunity after national meetings this January and February to spend time making turns with patrols in South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois and Michigan. What I have learned is that we all have a lot in command; we enjoy our fellow patroller company, we clearly enjoy making turns and handling the toboggan, we all try hard to help our guests enjoy the experience, and we all stand ready to provide first aid when called upon. Every patrol was very hospitable and made me feel welcome. Thank you to all for another wonderful life experiences. I truly enjoyed meeting many

new folks and making turns with many of you. I also had the oppor-

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tunity to ski on a beautiful blue sky day, ski in the rain one day and the next work on frozen solid surfaces with wind chills in the minus 40's, and experience a blizzard with roads closed and zero visibility. Ya' gotta' love it; that is ski patrolling at its best!

I also learn from our area owner/managers that they also have a tremendous amount of respect and appreciation for what we do as patrollers. They recognize the significant amount of time each of us put in just to gain the right to put that patrol parka on, the tenacity we have regardless of the weather, the expertise we bring in managing some of the risk management issues and the ability to manage our own shop. What I heard is that in most areas we are an integral part of the operations and they plan to keep it that way. One area that owners/managers see as a challenge to us is the ability to bring in younger patrollers to join our forces. They recognize the amount of time it takes to credential patrollers in OEC, toboggan handling, skiing/riding skills, etc. They look to us to help figure out what we need to do and they stand ready to help where they can. Many patrols have junior/student/young adult chap-

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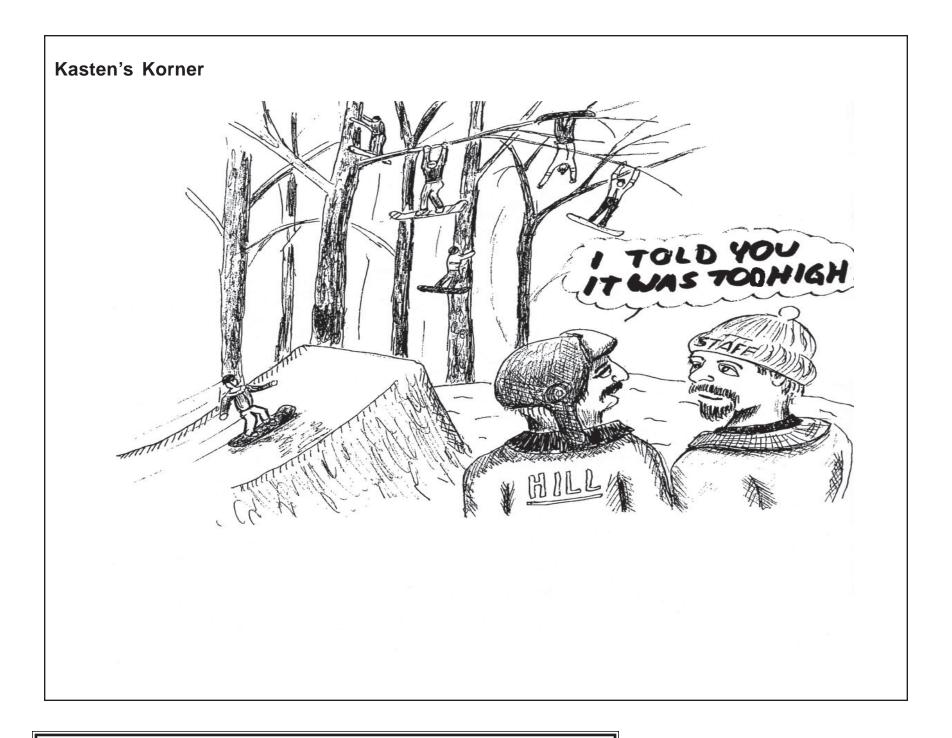
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ters within their patrols. I will ask several of them to put together a forum/presentation for our fall Division Meeting in Milwaukee this coming September. I've seen many of these programs and it is a great way to meet our future needs for growth. More on this later this year.

I know that in the next few weeks most of our Senior evaluations and later our Certified evaluations will be taking place. I know those preparing for these events are working hard to be ready. I wish all of you the best in your preparation and hope that you meet the challenge. For those that successfully complete the events congrats and for those that didn't quite get there, I ask you to stand tall and give it another shot. Building our individual capability in patrolling, PSIA, AASI or other ski industry technology adds to the richness of our lives and our ability to support the ski industry as a whole. All of this adds value to our patrollers and helps support your local area needs. I will close with a quote I've seen in several patrol rooms and on some email signatures:

"Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in an attractive and well-preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways (on skis), chocolate in one hand, beer in the other, body thoroughly used up,totally worn out and screaming WOO HOO,,,what a ride!!!"

I think this says it all, happy riding!



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It is Time to Step Up...

By: Linda Murphy Jacobs, ADD

The season is well underway as I write this. We have successfully completed our two Division Alpine Clinics, most Regions have had examiner and candidate clinics, the Women's Clinic is impending and Recertification and Auditions for the Certified program are being held in almost all Regions. Senior and basic ski and toboggan training is happening fast and furious around the Division, even with our record breaking rain in January.

Thanks to all of the trainers and candidates who put in the untold hours to develop the skills necessary to be a successful patroller. With that said, we are looking for someone who is willing to step up and take on more responsibilities in the Division. Linda Barthel, our Skills Development Supervisor, has announced her retirement.

We are seeking a highly organized individual to take on Linda's position. Primary responsibilities include coordinating and organizing both Division Alpine clinics, supporting Division and Region administration of skills programs and working with the national office to insure that Division skills development programs are current with NSP educational programs. If you are curious about more information, or are ready to throw your hat into the ring, please contact Linda Murphy Jacobs at murph4@EarthLink.net, or Linda Barthel at barthel@umich.edu.

As your seasons wind down and you journey west for those final runs, please travel and ski safe. Thanks to each and every one of you who continue to serve our injured guests, our ski areas and our members in a professional and compassionate manner.

The Storm After the Calm: Time for CISM

By: Susan Hayes, Western Region CISM Contact

You are just starting your shift for the day. Finally, it is a beautiful winter's day after a long snow-drought! Everyone else feels the same way and has come out to ski. The ski area and runs are busy. You have a weird feeling in your gut that things just aren't right.

Sure enough, halfway through your shift you get a call. A young child has fallen from the chairlift and is crying inconsolably. You head

over to the scene along with the rest of the crew. Your team m o v e s quickly into place and you assess and treat the incident as a well-oiled machine.

You go home that afternoon and go about the rest of your usual day. But you find that you keep thinking about the incident. Did we move fast enough? Is he/she going to be okay? Did we miss something? What if that had been my child/sister/ brother/loved one? What if things hadn't

anxious with feelings of hopelessness. You feel ashamed. You have received word that the patient is doing fine. You did all that you could. Why is this still on your mind? What is wrong? Why can't you just shake this off?

Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) is a program that consists of several interventions, most importantly a debriefing process. A critical incident is defined as any situation which produces an unusually strong emotional reaction. It is a normal reaction to an abnormal event. Examples are: a sudden and mental health workers. It is confidential and allows patrollers directly involved in the incident to focus on the event and be able to share their thoughts and feelings about that event. It is not a critique or performance evaluation and is meant for support of the emergency responder.

Ski patrollers can benefit from a debriefing in several ways. A debriefing helps patrollers identify the signs and symptoms of normal reactions to stress, grief and trauma. Par-



ticipating in a debriefing helps to reduce feelings of isolation, guilt and inadequacy. The group format provides reassurance and support to other members of the rescue team, thus providing better coping skills for future incidents and building cohesiveness for the team. Overall, participating in and utilizing CISM contributes to the prevention of burnout. Jeffery T. Mitchell, Ph.D. states, "There is no training in the world, no person in the world who can stand the constant bombardment of human misery without help".

Does the situation above describe you? If so, what's the next step? The region has an identified CISM

worked out so well? And the worst thoughts: What if, despite our best efforts, the patient dies? death or serious injury of an infant or child, a responder knowing the victim or family or a prolonged rescue attempt.

For the next few days, you feel unsettled. You may feel irritated with coworkers or family. You

start to have trouble sleeping – either going over things repeatedly in the middle of the night or having nightmares. You begin to feel Critical Incident Stress Debriefing (CISD) is a short group session led by a team of specially trained individuals from several disciplines such as emergency responders, chaplains contact person that you may call, the sooner, the better. That person can help you to decide if a debriefing would be advantageous and how to get in touch with the CISD team in your area. The services are free, confidential and available to all patrollers. The CISM contact information for the Western Region is located on the web page roster, under "Support Staff/Contacts".

Instructor Development

By: Virginia Rodeman, Division Instructor There are few changes within the Instructor is Quality Assurance (QA) which is being Development Supervisor added throughout the Na-

For those of you interested in becoming an instructor, Instructor Development is divided into two parts. This division is the Instructor Development class and mentoring.

Mentoring is a process which for some instructor candidates may take a year and for some it may take years. *The Guide to Mentoring Instructors* (available on the NSP instructor web and in the instructor manuals) is your guide whether you are the mentor or the mentored.

There is a checklist of things to learn and explore.



added throughout the National system. QA means that an IT from a different patrol is verifying that the class meets the National course standards.

The second change is for instructors. Since most of Central Division's Instructors already are yearly teaching the Instructor Development class and/ or teaching the "lesson" part of an instructor recertification in OEC, MTR and/or other disciplines, the recertification for ID will not be a change for them.

Development classes. Hopefully each of the instructors received this email. One change

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me or any ID instructor.

Central Division Patroller Chosen for NSP National Safety Team

By: Ty Damon, Central Division Public Relations Supervisor

make the slopes a safer experience for the skiing and riding public."

Two years ago, Denny and his crew at Apple Mountain pioneered an innovative safety program called "Caught Being Safe," in conjunction with Lids on Kids and the Field Neuro-

In partnership with Patagonia, the National Ski Patrol has revived the

Patrol has revived the historic NSP Safety Team.

Denny McMahon, Patrol Director at Apple Mountain in Freeland, Michigan has been chosen as one the seven inaugural members.

Safety Team members will serve for two year terms as the public face and voice of the NSP regarding slope safety, and will receive a special uniform from Patagonia.

The team is comprised of a diverse group of patrollers from across



sciences Institute. This safety program is made possible through the annual support of McDonald's restaurants of Michigan. The mission of Caught Being Safe is to reward kids for wearing helmets while skiing and snowboarding. Patrollers can pass out coupons for a free Hot Chocolate or Apple Dippers.

"I was stunned when I got the call from National. I had been sleeping and woke up to the call. I felt I was still dreaming." said Denny. "I thought, me from little old Michigan and now I'm on a team with patrollers from Sugar Loaf in Maine, Crystal Mountain in Washington and Aspen Colorado. I am pleased I will be able to represent, Central Division, Eastern Region and Apple Mountain."

the country. They were chosen based on their expertise and proactive support of slope safety. They will assist patrollers across the system with tips and tools for promoting slope safety, and will also be available for industry discussions and public outreach.

Denney McMahon, PD at Apple Mountain in Freeland, MI has been named to the recently revived NSP National Safety Team. McMahon will serve a two year term. Safety Team members are selected on based on their experience and proactive support of ski safety. Team members will be the public voice of the NSP concerning ski safety. A total of seven patrollers were named to the team.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for NSP members to be recognized for their contributions to slope safety and to make the slopes even safer," said NSP Executive Director Tim White. "We received many applications from strong candidates, but the seven that were chosen have truly gone the extra mile to



"I am thankful to my fellow patrollers, because

without all of your support, none of this would be possible. Now I hope to get everyone's input to carry NSP's safety mission forward."

If you want to contact Denny to learn more about the Caught Being Safe program or the NSP Safety Team you can reach him at dmcmahan7@chartermi.net.

Two Feet of Fresh Greets '08 Telemark SES



Attendees at the 2008 Division Nordic SES take a break from their ski activities to pose for a photo at the Minocqua Winter Park site venue. This year the multi-day event brought 18 patrollers from

Plan Now for 2009 Clinics

It was a good sign when it started snowing on Thursday afternoon and the snowfall followed me from Western Minnesota, to Duluth, on to Minocqua, WI and continuing to Indianhead Ski Area in Michigan and back west to Hayward on Monday night, four and a half days of continuous snowfall.

Eighteen patrollers over three days at two clinics is how this year's event can be summarized. Minocqua Winter Park was the host of the Nordic Ski Examination and SES on Saturday and Sunday. MWP had some of the best snow conditions that we had seen in quite a few years. Saturday consisted of Basic and Senior Nordic Ski Exam, Senior recertification and Evaluator recertification. The Nordic SES continued on Sunday with Dan Clausen of the PSIA Nordic Demo Team. The day was split with Classic Skiing in the morning and Skate Skiing in the afternoon.

On Monday the SES continued with the Telemark Clinic at Indianhead. With 1-2 feet of fresh snow and lake effect snow falling all day long, smiles and good times were had by all. Dan Clausen was again the lead instructor for this Telemark SES.

I'm already looking forward to next year's Clinic which will be held January 10-12th, 2009.

By: David Squires, Division Nordic Supervisor

With up to two feet of fresh powder this year, the Central Division Telemark SES was a success with great skiing and exceptional instruction provided by Dan Clausen of the PSIA Nordic Demo team including a DVD presentation of the Team's trip to Japan for the J.T.A. (Japanese Telemark Association).

Next year's clinic is scheduled for Jan 12th, 2009.

Contact David Squires at sharky@tekstar.com or (218) 849-7132 for information and registration.

Mark Your Calendars Now for the Central Division Nordic and **Telemark SES**



Division Awards Manual Points the Way

Supervisor

Last year, Central Division introduced a very detailed Central Division Awards Manual (all the intent and how to) to help with each patrol's analysis and submission of everything from Merit Stars to National Appointments.

This manual details what each award is, who is qualified for a specific award and how to

By: Gregg Reese, Division Awards write them up. It also details how awards are judged at Region, Division, and National Levels.

If any or you would like me to e-mail a copy of this manual to you, just let me know and I will be happy to send it.

Because of ongoing changes in the National Policies and Procedures Awards Chapter 10 this year, this manual has been updated again and has been sent electronically to each Region Director as well as each Region Awards Advisor.

Please note that with the exception of the **Outstanding Patroller and Patrol categories** which have a specific submission date each year, all other awards can be submitted to your region awards advisor at any time during the year. This manual will help you with everything you should need to get a worthy patroller or patrol recognized.

Get Emu Oil and More or Les at Your Next SES

Ski into and out of Counter?

By: Jay Zedak, NSP-C Ski School Director

Have you participated in one of the many SES's that have been hosted by the Central Division NSP-C Ski School membership lately? If you have you might be familiar with some of these references:

Balance into the future.

....at turn initiation, move forward by closing ankles as if falling forward.

Get Stacked.

.....using your skeleton/frame to hold your weight with minimal muscles being tense

Effectively use Both Feet.

....steer and guide both feet to complete your desired turn shape...don't lift either foot off the snow when starting your turn

Strive for Parallel.

.....focus on keeping your boots parallel, might be easier than focusing on keeping skis parallel

Tiger by a Tail Rope

By: Tom Worley, Division Toboggan Supervisor

The two Ski Trainers Workshops at Boyne Highlands and Granite Peaks provided the Division many great experiences. One of the programs presented at the STW's was handling the toboggan tail. One of the more interesting aspects that was discussed was

the how the tail person is to hold the tail rope. Not to drag this out, the tail rope is to be held in both hands. The down hill hand is closest to the toboggan and is the hand that actually controls toboggan the from the rear. For nearly all applications, the tail rope should be

available.

Finish your turns.

even on smooth terrain. Take one of the many Toboggan Enhancement Seminars (SES) around the Division to expand your skills. If you don't know of the availability of a local SES contact your Patrol Representative and he/she will be able to get the date and site by getting in touch with your Region

.....skis pass under upper body and point perpendicular to fall line, not shallow "S" turns

Is Les really more?

Your ankles hurt?

.....Go get Emu oil from Bill Merkle.

Stand Taller.

....don't over flex your knees; this might help get your rump out of the back seat.

Thanks to all the PD's, and Region Ski School Advisor's who have helped pull those events together. Many positive comments keeping pouring in from the participants demonstrating that those who participate are enjoying their journey to efficient skiing and appreciate the efforts of the "Certified Ski Instructors" who provide the movement suggestions.

Striving to be balanced isn't a place in space.....while in motion, one must continue to reach for it!

See You at Your Next SES

see here in Central, a tail person could be in danger. This is where the secondary brake utilized is the chain. Perhaps the best solution is to get the toboggan out of the bumps and then add a tail person. There is no one correct answer to a tail person in the bumps, but you must always have a secondary brake

.....upper body looks down the fall line for

shorter radius turns "Mechanical Anticipation"

Get out there and get in the handles and learn as much as you can about handling a toboggan in the bumps or Toboggan Supervisor.

Watch the Summer Issue of the Rusty Parka **News** for a Photo Essay **Highlighting the** 2007 **Central Division** Ski Trainer's Workshops



held in both hands and both hands should be down hill from the torso. Getting your up hill hand behind you positions your shoulders in a non countered position and makes transitions difficult.

Another question that came up was do we use a tail person in the bumps. Just like in most things, always and never don't exist. You don't always have a tail person and you never take a toboggan down any hill without the availability of a secondary brake. Taking a toboggan through the bumps with or without a tail person is always going to be a call that the patroller has to make at that time and place. If the bumps are widely spaced and shaped a tail person would likely not have any problems maintaining the pace with the lead. However should the bumps be like we often

Items of Interest in Central **Division Avalanche World**

By: Dale Mihuta, Division Avalanche Supervisor

We are currently making our final preparations for our Level 2 Avalanche Course in Utah. It looks like we have a good turnout.

This year we are providing a Level 1 course the day before the Level 2 course starts so that you can get both courses in one stretch of time. This is a great benefit since the Avalanche Fundamentals and Rescue Course may not be readily available in your area.

Another point of interest is that the International Snow Science Workshop is being held at Whistler Blackcomb in the fall. This symposium is a forum for putting the world of research in direct contact with the end users. Check it out at ISSW2008.com.

^{.....}ask the members from Granite!

Division Women's Clinic Loves Chestnut Mnt

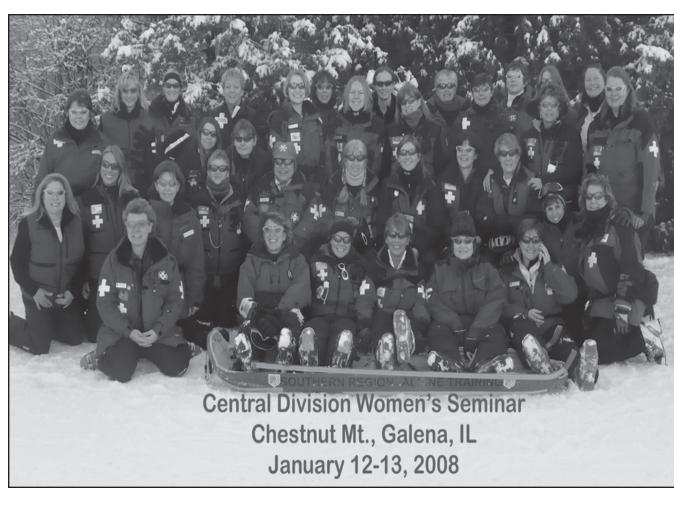
By: Anne Blaedow, Division Women's Seminar Supervisor

The clinic this year was held at Chestnut Mountain January 12-13 and was well re-

staff: Chris Moe-Herlick, Linda Murphy-Jacobs, Lori Cobble, Linda Barthel, Maureen "Mo" Harris, Sandi Hammond and Darcy Hanley. You ladies strive to bring out the best in everyone you meet and this clinic was just yoga, boot fitting/alignment, division resources and programs in the evening. Our evening dinner together at the Country Inn featured great food and some time getting to know each other better. We explored new friend-

ceived. The ladies spent the weekend in ski and toboggan enhancement seminars on a variety of terrain. Our goal was to meet the ladies at their individual skill levels and move them forward from that point. Based on the feedback we accomplished our mission!

We had toboggan groups that ranged in ability from "I've never touched a sled" to ladies that were prepping for their Senior and Certified exams. We have a top notch staff that puts on a



ships with an activity where we each wrote "Three things that people would not know about us". As we read the fun facts off and tried to guess who they were describing, we had a lot of laughs.

The Division W o m e n's Clinic has completed its first trip around Central Division and will kick off it's second lap next year at Per-

great program each year. It is a special opportunity that we can give to women to train with other women. We are amazed at how many ladies have never trained with a female

instructor - EVER!! Hat's off to the 29 par-

ticipants and a HUGE thanks to this years

another example of that.

The ladies weekend is unique in that in addition to learning finesse techniques to improve our skiing and tobogganing skills during the day, we feature mini lessons on stretching, fect North Slopes in Ohio Region. The date will remain that second weekend in January to better facilitate those ladies pursuing their Senior status and avoid conflict with Region Senior events. Plan to join us for a "Perfect" weekend next January.

If You Show it They Will Come

By: Darcy Hanley, Division Senior Supervisor

This season introduced a new tool to the Division trainers, local patrollers and candidates. The Alpine Training DVD and Discussion Guide brought a different perspective. The immense effort lead by John Keating and a cast of dedicated patrollers from across the division was "rolled out" at the Boyne and Granite Peak Division Ski Trainer's Workshop. small increments. I have seen senior candidates and alpine candidates viewing the section on Loaded Toboggan Tail Rope Opera-



a comfortable forum for clarification and questions.

> Shortly after viewing that section the candidates practiced the tail operation on the snow. Another idea was to use the DVD to identify specific ski skills needed to operate the toboggan. The group focused on position of the upper body, hands and feet during the Loaded Toboggan Lead section. Each of you has probably developed great techniques for using the DVD with your candidates. I know it was not designed to sit and watch with popcorn but rather a "see, go, do" tool! Please keep your suggestions and ideas coming! We are interested in best practice and information about how you have effectively utilized this new teaching instrument. Contact information for feedback is:

Each of the Region Directors was given copies of the DVD and manual as well as the opportunity to purchase additional copies at \$5.00 each. The inventory was quickly depleted and more copies of the DVD have been made. I suspect that this training

Scene from new Central Division Alpine Training Video developed by John Keating. The video was rolled out at the Boyne and Granite Peak Division Ski Trainer's Workshop in December.

tool is being given quite a workout throughout the Division. The vision of the team was to provide a visual tool that could assist in toboggan training. The DVD should be viewed with a trainer using the discussion guide in tor. That section was brought up on the screen and used with the guide as a script to lead discussion. This effectively allowed the instructor to stop/start the DVD and provide

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South Central Region Prepares for Fall Meeting Central Division Heads to Milwaukee in September

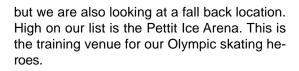
By: Thom Rabaglia, RD South Central Region

Plans are well under way for the Fall Division Meeting in Milwaukee. One of the plans under consideration is instead of having a golf outing, we are considering a motorcycle ride. The route, sites to see and locations for stops have not yet been discussed but I'm sure participants will have a good time.

Remember education is our theme and we plan several education opportunities.

We are still hoping to get the new Harley Davidson museum as our location for the Friday night dinner

Save the Date



Remember to keep your calendar open for the weekend of September 5th, 6th and 7th. C U in Milwaukee!



September 5 -7 2008



Plan Now to Attend

Central Division Meeting 2008



Get Involved, Auxiliary Can Help

By Rose DeJarnette, Division Auxiliary Supervisor

Patrolling is people, camaraderie, friendship and just plain old fun. No matter what your skill classification, with the ski season well underway there are plenty of opportunities to participate in NSP activities. If you are an auxiliary patroller who likes to ski or would like to learn, now is the time.

Central Division has many excellent ski instructors ready to help you on the snow. Maybe your personal goal is to become an Alpine Patroller. The ski and toboggan enhancement seminars are great opportunities for you to improve your skills and meet your personal goals. If it is OEC skills you want to work on, keep your eye open for OEC Enhancement Seminars or better yet, contact your local OEC representative and offer to participate in organizing an enhancement seminar. Mountain Travel and Rescue, Avalanche, Instructor Development; there are so many things to do. All of these offerings are considered senior program electives. Becoming an instructor in any discipline is also considered a senior elective.

Auxiliary patrollers pursuing Senior will need four electives as well as successful completion of the Senior Emergency Management Clinic followed by the Aid Room Management Module (ARM). This module is designed to enhance patroller leadership and management skills in the aid room environment. It has replaced the Patroller Enrichment Seminar (PES) as a requirement for Senior Auxiliary. Patrollers who took PES will not need to take the Aid Room Management Module unless they so desire.

For any patroller interested in becoming Senior Auxiliary, contact your Region Auxiliary representative or OEC Administrator for further information about the program and for upcoming opportunities to participate in an Aid Room Management (ARM) module. You can also visit the Central Division web. There you will find a link to the Auxiliary page as well as an online survey. Stand up and be counted by submitting the survey.

There is something for everyone this time of year, so get involved; enjoy the winter season, enjoy patrolling!

Teaching Patroller 101: Keep it Fun!

By Jeannine Mogan, Division Patroller 101 Advisor

Many patrols across the Central Division have registered Patroller 101 courses this season.

Here are a few fun ideas for teaching each of the modules:

Risk Management

 Practice completing local report forms.



Discuss risks involved in training and patrolling and how to minimize these risks!

Adapting to the Outdoor Environment

Let patrollers dress in full patroller uniform. This should include a discussion of layers and fabrics. This activity is bound to educate your patrollers about the uniform options at your area as well as make them feel like full-fledged patrollers!

Toboggan Handling

 Did you know that there is a new Central Division toboggan training video?
 Ask your Region Director for a copy.

Scene Management / Incident Command System

 Practice managing scene safety in various locations at your area (terrain park, tune shop, kitchen, maintenance shop, etc.).

Rope and Belay Skills

 Have candidates model and explain the harnesses, webbing, ropes, etc. used at your area. NSP / Ski Area Management /Role of the Volunteer

 Play "Name that Organization". Candidates are given clues about the roles and responsibilities for NSP members, Ski area management, and Volunteer Patrollers.

Guest Services

- Have a scavenger hunt for all the places, people and things you want your candidates to know about.
- Have an area tour to meet key people and visit key places. Learn about snowmaking from maintenance, have the manager give a quick speech, meet area security, etc.

If you have a great Patroller 101 idea, please email it to me

(jmogan@threeriversparkdistrict.org),

and I will share it in the next newsletter.

Look for a new Patroller 101 link on the Central Division web site (coming soon!)

Don't forget to close your courses when you are finished. You can fax, email or snail mail a course completion record to the NSP.

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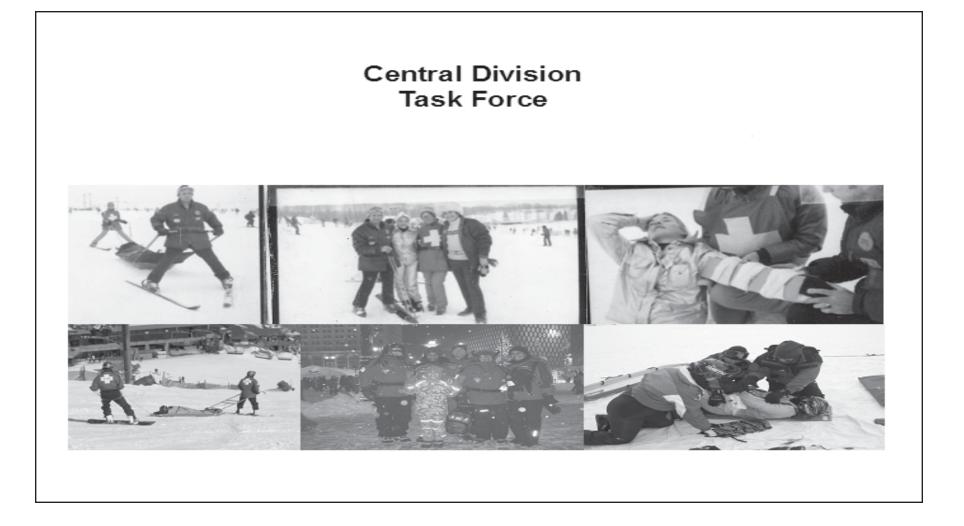
Task Force Led by Central Division Helps to Keep NSP Strong

By: Ty Damon, Division Public Relations Supervisor

At the June 2007 meeting, the NSP Board of Directors chartered a Recruitment and Retention Committee to find the 'best practices' of the National Ski Patrol's most experienced Patrols and Members. Soon afterward, the NSP Recruiting and Retention Team was formed by South Central Region Patroller Tom Horak, with the backing of over 100 experienced patrollers from across the NSP. The leagues, area management and snowsport guests.

The team also found that the most successful Patrols are always recruiting and seeking motivated and capable candidates from several venues:

- The most worthwhile places to recruit are the patrons of the snowsport area itself and within surrounding communities, ski shows, high schools, col-
- As we know, a professional and efficient PD/PR has a positive and lasting effect on recruiting and retention within a Patrol.
- Patrol Officer/Advisor Staffs communicate well, are approachable and diplomatic, provide mentoring and motivational guidance, plan with an openminded viewpoint and they never forget to thank their patrollers for the work that they do.



team sought to identify issues, solutions, concepts and priorities.

The group gathered best practices for Recruiting from the most advanced and successful NSP Divisions and Regions and researched trends and concepts with similar organizations and within the business industry as well.

Great emphasis was also placed on assessing the thoughts of many Patrollers regarding the activities, issues and concerns of our members. The NSP Recruiting and Retention Team soon determined the following points have great impact on Recruiting of candidate patrollers and Retention of members in the NSP: leges, firefighter agencies and medical centers.

- Recruiting is a team-effort and must be understood and acted-upon by each member of the entire local patrol. Successful patrols have a Recruiting Advisor with a team of several assistants and a detailed procedure for following up with prospects.
- Candidates are immediately assigned a duty crew with whom they ski/board alongside and bogin to bond
- Patrol management responsibility is equally delegated among several advisors with adequate assistance from promotable Patrollers with a view to assisting in the education development of the Members and their enjoyment of Patrolling.
- Personal member responsibility is taught and stressed throughout the Patrol—a good Patroller makes their duty shifts, is always there to help his fellow Patroller, is well-trained and prepared for any emergency and

- Every Member of the NSP is responsible for recruiting and retaining Members within our Patrols—not just the Patrol leadership.
- Every time we attend duty and wear our Patrol uniforms we can be recruiting—we can answer q u e s t i o n s about Patrolling and ask guests to join our local Patrol. Potential candidates can be identified and approached every day.
- We can help retain members by being responsible and well-prepared and supportive Patrollers to our fellow col-

alongside and begin to bond.

- Introduction to Ski Patrolling and registering with NSP is the first priority, so they may begin to learn about Patrolling and develop an appreciation of the history and culture of NSP.
- Emphasis is immediately placed on positioning new Basics within a specific NSP elective to build early and future interest for personal growth and instructor possibilities. A development team for each NSP elective is present in each successful Patrol.

Successful Patrols retain their Members by having excellent communications, education and training:

never lets his fellow Patroller down.

The NSP Recruiting and Retention Team are now in the process of making its final report to NSP Executive Director Tim White and NSP Board Chairman Terry La Liberte. The report contains abundant information and thoughts from NSP's finest and most experienced members. Soon, the NSP staff will be creating new recruitment, marketing and public relations strategies to attract new members, based in part on the material developed by the NSP Recruiting and Retention Team.

For more information on Patroller Recruiting and Retention best practices please contact Tom Horak at Thomas@Train2Ski.us.

OEC Update

By: Deb Endly, Central Division OEC Supervisor

I would like to that time at the start of this article to thank the two former OEC Supervisors for Central Division for their hard work and outstanding dedication to the OEC program here in Central Division. Hank Herlick and Ed Humphrey have stepped down as OEC Supervisors to pursue other interests. Ed Humphrey has been appointed as the National Program Director for Instructor Development. We wish Ed the best of luck in his new position. Hank has left the OEC Supervisor position but remains active in the OEC Program as well as the Certified Program. Thanks Hank for all of the work and time that you gave to the OEC Program! I would like to welcome Karen Hadden of Timber Ridge patrol as the new OEC Supervisor for Central Division. Karen has proved to be a fast learner and has some fresh ideas to bring to the program.

Now that refreshers and basic OEC courses are mostly completed you are wondering what the OEC people have been busy with. The answer is many things! OEC is one of the programs that no matter what the season, we always have things going on. One example is working with the OEC Enhancement modules. Did you know that completing two full OEC Enhancement NATIONAL modules counts as an elective towards your Senior Elective requirement? The Enhancement modules are a great way of SK creating some continuing education for your patrollers during the ski season. They are an excellent opportunity for your patrollers who PATRO are mentoring to become new OEC instructors. So many times patrollers are complaining that once the basic class and refreshers are done there are no more opportunities to mentor until the next season. That is far from the truth. Along with the OEC Enhancement modules, you can create your own OEC continuing education opportunity for patrollers to complete on their shifts as R time allows. Some examples could include reviewing the operation and application of a traction splint, back boarding skills including the various lifts involved etc. Ask your patrollers what they would like to cover in a short segment and go from there. Another opportunity for patrollers who are mentoring to become new instructors could be to teach a segment of the OEC manual to each other and then to have the participants critique the presentation. Think outside of the box when product that the NSP can be proud of. it comes to mentoring opportunities for your instructor candidates!

Instructor Trainers (IT's). This manual would help to standardize the training of the IT's across the NSP and would also be a resource for potential IT's to review prior to committing to the program. Several of the OEC Supervisors are working on creating this manual to make it broad enough that it will work in all Divisions no matter how small or large and be broad enough to work on the Regional level as well. The OEC people are also developing new senior level scenarios which will be reviewed by the medical committee prior to inclusion in the 5th edition. It is our hope to have some new scenarios ready for use soon. If you have any good scenarios to share, please send them to either Karen or myself. Our contact information can be found on the Central Division website.

Regarding the 5th edition OEC textbook and supporting materials, it was learned that the publishing deadline has been pushed back to March 2010. The 5th edition will help to define our scope of practice. Dr. Millin, the National Medical Director is glad that the 5th edition is being delayed so that the Committee can produce a quality text which will be free of the issues that the 4th edition had. A time-line for



groups to work on and review materials for the 5th edition is being developed. Other text books are being looked at for what we can include or what works for other books. Complaints/concerns that have been raised with the 4th edition are being reviewed again and considered as the planning for the 5th edition goes on. The emphasis is that the 5th edition will not be rushed and will be a quality

Hadden, our new OEC Supervisor has been appointed to serve on this Committee.

Tim White, the Executive Director of the NSP office was present at the December meeting. Mr. White provided the group present with his background information and credentials for the position. He brings a lot of hands-on experience in the ski industry to the job and indicated that one of his main goals is for the NSP to reclaim its identity in the ski industry. Mr. White described the NSP as a three legged stool with education programs as one leg, accident prevention/ski safety as the second leg, and equally important is NSP as a community/family. Mr. White approach to the job is to treat people how he would like to be treated, with respect! I would like to give Tim White a warm Central Division welcome and wish him the best in his new venture.

Denis Meade is the new National Education Director. His background includes 26 years in the EMS community from clinical to administrative positions. Denis indicated that he is currently working on his Ph.D. in distance learning which we will reap benefits from as an organization. Mr. Meade indicated that the national office will be sending out surveys to the candidates that just completed an OEC course to find out if the course and/ or the materials worked for them and prepared them for their job as a patroller. Denis further provided information on the national EMT-B program that is considering a change in the number of hours from 110 to 150 or 190 hours for the course. Denis also stated that the effort to create an EMT-bridge course for OEC Techs could not happen until the Fall of 2008.

Another patroller in attendance at the December OEC Supervisor meeting was Greg Bala who is now chairing the Refresher Committee. Greg is a volunteer patroller in the Intermountain Division and steps into some big shoes to fill after Dr. John Dobson retired from the Committee.

Did you know that Central Division is represented on this Committee by Thom Rabaglia who is also the Region Director for South Central Region? Greg reviewed what happens at the Refresher Committee meetings and conference calls and I can say without a doubt that this group is one hard working group of patrollers! One item that Greg did speak to the OEC Supervisors about is some concern being voiced that the scenarios that are being published in the Refresher Study Guide are not skiing/ snowboard related. Greg pointed out that OEC is not just restricted to ski patrolling, but that other groups use this program as well. We should think beyond using our skills just on the ski slope, but that our skills cross over to other activities and other environments. Greg pointed out that the treatment for hypothermia is the same on the mountain/ ski slope as it is on a rafting trip!

Another item besides mentoring that OEC people are involved with is the SEM events that are happening around the Division. Karen Hadden and I are trying to make as many of the events as we can around the Division and for those that we are not able to make we have made arrangements for an IT from another Region to QA the event. If you have any questions regarding who will be present at your event, please feel free to contact Karen or myself for more information! Be sure to refer to the Central Division Senior Manual that is available on the Central Division website for the answers to your questions relating to the Senior Program.

Some of the other things the OEC people are working on: a training manual for OEC

In December, I was able to attend the OEC Supervisor meeting and to meet the new Executive Director. National Education Director, National Education Assistant and the National Chair. I heard many positive things from these people and feel that they are bringing to the NSP a wealth of experience that we as patrollers will benefit from! The National Chairman, Terry LaLiberte indicated that OEC Quality Assurance is a big issue for the Board. One of the first steps that was taken to ensure QA on a national level was the standardization of the practical portion of the basic OEC class. There will be a new QA Committee formed with approval from the National Board. Larry Bost, Board Member and former OEC National Program Director will be heading up that Committee. Karen

As you can see from the information above, your OEC IT's, ROA's and Supervisors are busy with lots of projects. Please feel free to contact your OEC IT, ROA or one of the Supervisors with questions/concerns etc. We are here to help you and we are looking forward to yet another great year on the slopes and in the classroom.

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7	EMR	CPR & Chair Evac Refresher, Alpine Valley, Steve and Karen Werner	18	WR
7	EMR	CPR Refresher, Gen Meeting, Alpine Valley, Marilyn Gilin	22-24	NCR
7	SR	OEC Refresher, Swiss Valley, Tom Smith	23	NCR
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7	OR	Ringley OEC Refresher, Snow Trails, Bill Harkins	Mar 8	WR
7	OR	OEC Refresher, Alpine Valley, Pat Aquila,	9	NMR
12	WR	Dave Watkins OEC Refresher, Buck Hill, Kerstin	9	EMR
13	EMR	Hammarburg Chair Evac and Work Party, Alpine Valley,		
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13-14 14	SWR EMR	Refresher Weekend, Sundown Chair Evac and Work Party, Alpine Valley,	16	EMR
14	SR	Marilyn Gilin Chair Evac, Chestnut Mnt, Mike Foley	Jan 4	NCR
14	OR	On HIII Refresher/CPR, MRM, Jim Norris, Kim	5	NMR
14	OR	Hiser OEC Refresher, Paoli Peaks, Bruce	5-6 5-6	WR SWR
20	EMR	Heichelbech CPR & Chair Evac, Mt. Holly, Lynn Hunt	5-6	OR
20	NCR	Sec 3 OEC Refresher, Norway Mnt, Harry Lauritsen	6	NMR
20	WR	OEC Refresher, Christie Mnt, Paul van Natta	6	EMR
20-21 21	SWR EMR	Refresher Weekend, Snow Creek OEC Refresher, Bendle HS, Lynn Hunt	6	WMR
21 21	SR SR	OEC Refresher, Snowstar, L. Davidson OEC Refresher, Wilmot Mnt, Christopher	11-13	CD
21	WR	Morris Chair Evac/Meeting, Christie Mnt, Paul van Natta	12	OR
22	WR	OEC instructor Recertification, Kathy Glenn	12-13	CD
27-28 28	SWR SR	Refresher Weekend, Great Bear OEC REfresher, Grand Geneva, NancyFudali	12-13	OR
Nov 3-4 4	SWR NCR	Refresher Weekend, Hidden Valley Make-Up OEC Refresher, Minocqua Winter	12	NCR
7	EMR	Park, Betty Adams OEC Instructor Recertification, Pine Knob,	14	CD
		Nycha Schlegel	19 25	OR NCR
14	OR	OEC Refresher, Cuyahoga Nordic SP, Daryl Knauss	26-27 26	SR NMR
18 Dec 9	emr Wr	OEC/CPR Make Up Refresher, Steve Werner Chair Evac, Spirit Mnt, Ron Thorn		
15 Jan 6	WR EMR	Chair Evac, Spirit Mnt, Ron Thorn Make-Up Chair Evac, Snow Snake, Mark Kuehl	26 26	OR OR
30 Feb 3	WR WR	On Hill Refresher, Christie Mnt, Dennis Potter On Hill Refresher, Christie Mnt, Dennis Potter	27	NMR
10	WR	On Hill Refresher, Christie Mnt, Dennis Potter	27 Feb 2	OR EMR
SENIOR			2	OR
Oct 13	NMR	SEM Enhancement – Backboarding,	2	OR
Nov 3	NMR	Mt. Holiday, Roger Perreault SEM Enhancement – OEC Stations, Mt.	2-3 3	SWR NMR
Dec 1	EMR	Holiday, Roger Perreault Senior Applications Due, Derek Werner	3	EMR
1	OR	SEM, Brandywine, John Vining	3 9	OR SR
22 23	WR WR	Senior Pre-course 1 North, Mike Nies Senior Pre-course 2 North, Mike Nies	9	WR
16 Jan 5	WMR NMR	SEM Clinic, Cannonsburg, Mike Fick SEM Enhancement – OEC Stations, Mt.	10 10	SR WMR
6	NMR	Holiday, Roger Perreault Otsego/Mt. Holiday S&T Training, Otsego	10	WR
6	NMR	SEM 12PM OEC Mock Exam, Otsego Ski	10	OR
10	WR	Club, Roger Perreault Senior Pre-course 3A, Buck Hill, Mike Nies	17	EMR
12 13	WR EMR	Senior Pre-course North, Mike Nies Sr Candidate S&T Pre-Test, Derek Werner	17 23	EMR NMR
15	WR	Senior Pre-course 4A, Buck Hill, Mike Nies	23	NMR
17 19	WR OR	Senior Pre-course 3B, Buck Hill, Mike Nies Senior Applications Due, Dennis Maslar	24	EMR
20 15	WR WR	Senior Pre-course, Loc TBA, Mike Nies Senior Pre-course 4A, Buck Hill, Mike Nies		
22 24	WR WR	Senior Pre-course 4B, Buck Hill, Mike Nies Senior Bump Clinic, Loc TBA, Mike Nies	OTHER	
26	NMR	Otsego/Mt. Holiday S&T Training, Otsego	Jul 21-28 Aug 18	8 EMR NCR
26	NMR	SEM 12PM OEC Mock Exam,Otsego Ski Club, Roger Perreault	Oct 12-1 13	40R WR
26 26	WMR WR	SEM Eval, Cannonsburg, Mike Fick SEM Pre-course, Loc TBA, Mary Pritchetti,	20	EMR
26-27	SWR	Kathy Glynn Senior Experience, TES, Loc TBA		
27	WMR	Senior Hill Workshop, Crystal Mnt., Shawn Rhoda	20-21 27-28	EMR EMR
29 5ab 4	WR	Senior Bump Clinic II, Loc TBA, Mike Nies	30-31	SR
Feb 1	NMR	OEC SEM Paperwork Deadline, Roger Perreault		
1	EMR	OEC SEM Scenario Skills Sign Offs Due, Ellen Burchfield	Sub	omit calenda
8-10	EMR	Senior S&T Evaluation, Boyne Mt., Derek Werner		iew the mos nts schedul
9	OR	Deadline Receipt of Senior Applications, Dennis Maslar	at w	/ww.nspcer
9-10	SWR	Senior S&T Evaluation, Loc TBA	Date	es and time

WR OR	Senior S&T Evaluation, Loc TBA, Mike Nies Senior Skills Check Off Due, Dennis Maslar	Nov 1-4 3	SR NCR	Ski Sale, Rosemount, IL Marquette Mt Ski Swap, Jim
WR NCR	SEM Pre-course, Loc TBA, Mary Pritchetti, Kathy Glynn Senior S&T Clinic/Eval, Marquette Mnt, Jim	3	WR	Grundstrom Ski Swap, Christie Mnt, Dennis Potter
	Grundstrom	3-4	EMR	Ski Swap, Alpine Valley, Marilyn
NCR OR	SEM Evaluation, Marquette Mnt Senior Event, Loc TBA, Dennis Maslar	3-4	OR	Gilin Ski Swap, PNS, Sandi Hammons
NMR	Senior S&T Eval, Boyne Mountain, Aren	4	OR	Ski Swap, MRM, John Norris
	Fairchild and Jim Parker	4	OR	Hut Clean Up, MRM, Snow Trails
WMR	Senior S&T, Crystal Mnt., Chip Knappen	·	0.11	Keith Neals
WR	SEM Evaluation, Loc TAB, Mary Pritchetti, Kathy Glynn	5	SR	Ski Sale Tear Down, Rosemount
NMR	SEM Evaluation, Otsego Ski Club, Roger Perreault	10-11	OR	Swi Swap, Snow Trails, Bob Wilson
EMR	SEM Evaluation, Mt. Brighton, Ellen Burchfield	17	EMR	Ski Swap, Mt Holly, Shannon Rains
)/TRAIN	ling	Dec 8	NCR	Brule Ski Patrol Ski Swap, Joe Matusak
,		Feb2-3	NCR	Badger State Winter Games,
EMR	Chair Evac Trainers Clinic, Mt. Holly, Matt			Darin Westover, Steven Konkel
	Stilson	23-24	OR	Winter Carnival, Snow Trails,
CD	Div. Ski Trainer Workshop, Boyne, Invite			Dave Baumlein
	only, Linda Barthel	Mar 2	OR	Alumni Day, MRM, Rick Schleitz
NCR	Toboggan Training, Camp 10, Gren Rudd	9	OR	Spring Carnival, PNS, Sandi
SR	STW, Chestnut Mnt.	A	00	Hammons
CD	Div. Ski Trainer Workshop, Granite Peak,	Apr 27	OR	Patrol Picnic, Snow Trails, Dave Baumlein
EMR	Invite only, Linda Barthel Ski Trainer Workshop, Trainers Only, Pine			Baumen
	Knob			
NCR NMR	Toboggan Training, Camp 10, Gren Rudd Instructor Calibration Clinic,Schuss Mt, Aren Fairchild	In		
WR	Senior Hill Examiner Clinic, Mike Nies			
SWR	TES, Mt Kato			_
OR	STW, PNS, Moss-Schmidt	ПЛ	2 100	oriam
NMR	Training Clinic, Schuss Mt, Aren Fairchild and Jim Parker			oriam
EMR	TES, SES, SBES, Telemark Enhancement, Mt Holly, Tim Gaffney			
WMR	Region STW Clinic/Eval Calibration, Caberfae Peaks, Chip Knappen	Rok	pert	S. Morley
CD	Women's Seminar, Chestnut Mnt., Anne Blaedow	a		
OR	TES, Alpine Valley, Patrick Acquila	Submit	ted by: I	Beach Day
CD	Division Nordic Clinic, Minocqua Winter Park, David Squires	The Na	tional S	ki Patrol and the Saginaw
OR	STW, BMBW, Moss-Schmidt			y lost a great friend and
NCR	Region S&T Enhancement, Brule, Jim	• •		Rob Morley, 73, passed
	Grundstrom	•		• •
CD	Division Telemark Clinic, Indianhead, David Squires	-	abetes.	1, 2007 of complications
OR	SES, Alpine Valley, Patrick Acquila			
NCR	Night Chair Evac, Camp 10, Gren Rudd	Rob's s	ski patro	l history is long and well
SR NMR	SES, Chestnut Mnt. SES, Boyne Highlands, Aren Fairchild,			and he'll be remembered
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OR	SES, MRM, John Norris			
OR	SES, Snow Trails, Dave Baumlein	-		he local, regional and na-
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and well mbered the orand national levels. A lifetime member the Ski Patrol, Rob was active in the Western Michigan Region, skiing at Cannonsburg and Pando ski areas and, for 35 years, could be found on Thursday nights at Apple Mountain Ski Area, patrolling to keep the slopes safe and sound. Over the course of many years, he held a variety of positions with the Ski Patrol, from patroller and regional director to assistant division director, division director and national board representative. Rob was a recipient of the "Minnie" Dole Award for Outstanding Dedication and Service, received a Purple Merit Star, earned national appointment number 2526 and was a proud member of the Broken Bone Club.

NMR	Section # 2 Basic Eval, Otsego Ski Club, John Wallace snd Rich VanDam
NMR	Sec 3 Basic Eval, Mt. Holiday, Pat Troop and Jeff Summers
EMR	Sec 3, Basic S&T Eval, Apple, Mark Gaffney
ER EVENTS	
-28 FMR	Ann Arbor Art Fair, Dick Thalacker

Sec 2 Basic S&T Eval, Mt. Brighton, Dave Petrak Sec 3, Basic S&T Eval, Mt. Holly, Mark Gaffney

and John Wallace

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TES, Chestnut Mnt.

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8 NCR	Trail Round-Up, Nine Mile, Steven Konkel
-140R	Ski Swap, BMBW
WR	Coffe Mill/Steeplechase Ski Swap, Dean
	Brandt
EMR	Ski Swap, Midland Community Center,
	Mark Kuehl
EMR	Ski Swap, Mt. Brighton, Dick Thalacker
EMR	Ski Swap, Pine Knob, Pam King

Ski Sale Set Up, Rosemount, IL

Rob will also be remembered for his community service. In addition to being a member and president of the Saginaw Ski Club, he was also a CPR and first aid instructor. Rob was instrumental in the Higgins Lake Foundation, the Kiwanis Club, and served as a board member of both the Saginaw County Red Cross and the Saginaw Valley Blood program. He was Vice President of Morley Brothers and a trustee and past president of the Morley Foundation. In addition, he was a board member of the Saginaw Club, the Saginaw Art Museum and a member of the First Congregational Church.

Rob is survived by his wife of 53 years, Sue; their three children Carol Morley Beck (Kim), Robert Spencer Morley Jr. (DeMae), and Sara Morley LaCroix (Tom); and their families. He will be missed by all the people whose lives he touched.

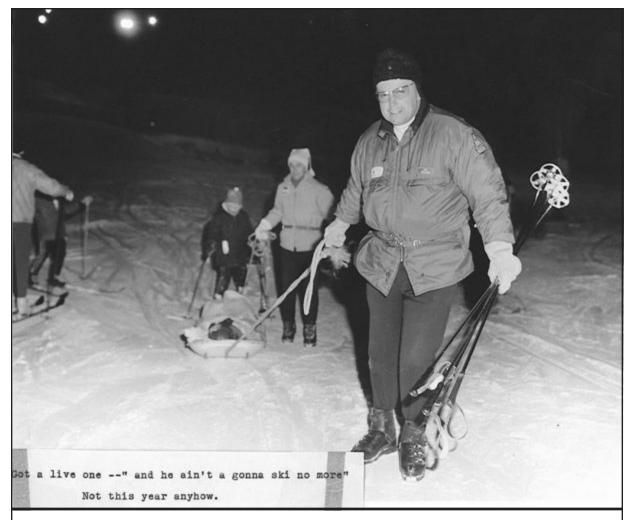
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Tail Rope Remember to Look Back





The photo above comes to us courtesy of Sue Wolfe of Marquette Mountain Ski Patrol. This photo was taken at Mount Holly in the Eastern Michigan region. Note the tail and front ropes and no handle bars. Sue's father was a patroller and took the photo while at Mount Holly.

Photos from the Past

The RPN will feature photos that document the history of the NSP Central Division in each issue. Just as it is important to look back and check our tail rope person, it is also important to look back and remember our past.

Send your photo submissions, in electronic format, to the RPN editor at tzimmerman@mitchellmetalproducts.com

Include as much information about the photo as possible, including the location within the Central Division, people in the photos and the year in which the photo was taken. If not all information is available, send that which is available.

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