



# Rusty Parka News



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## Division Director's Report



Jim Woodrum  
Division Director

We are full swing into the season now and some folks are getting toward the end by the time this message reaches you. It hopefully has been a good season for us.

For those that stepped forward to continue building skills in one of our many programs in

the NSP I hope you had a successful event by either completing it or knowing what you have to do to further enhance those skills.

We know we have many hero's that roam amongst us. Their names begin with OEC, Toboggan, MTR, Avalanche, Ski, Instructor Development, P101, etc..These are our many program instructors, Instructor Trainers, Advisors, Supervisors, mentors, and countless others that go out of their way to help put on events such as refreshers, exams, training and so on. They just don't pull a duty shift, they don't go the other way when someone reaches out a hand, they step forward year after year, without a need for pomp and circumstance, they just make

it an everyday part of them and contribute so that you and I and keep doing what we do for the local patrol and our industry. Our program instructors are our hero's. They deserve way more recognition than we will ever provide. They deserve a thanks from all of us for a job well done and our appreciation for them taking on more than the typical duty shift that most of us perform. Without them we would not be able to do what we do. So, please pick up the phone and call an instructor, in whatever discipline you wish, and just thank them for a job well done.

This year we requested that every patrol conduct SES's to help further our ski skills. We have more credentialed instructors in our NSP-C Ski School than in any other ski school in the country. These folks were road warriors at the beginning of the season with events at Ski Brule, Trollhaugen, Boyne Highlands and Cascade, before the Christmas Season. Now that the Division sponsored events are over, I know many of Instructors are still going strong and putting on even more events for the Regions and patrols. If they come to your patrol it behooves you to take advantage and participate in one of these great programs to help your skiing skills get even stronger. As I've talked with many folks this fall our age is beginning to show. I will protect the

names, but it has become clear that many of us are getting older and our health is sometimes failing us. Please let's help each other and look after each other through the season and keep in touch with each other to support one another throughout the year. I wish each of us that have had a recent significant health issue a quick recovery and you return to duty quickly.

I wish each of you a successful season and I look forward to making turns with many of you. Hope to see you this season.

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## Options for Instructor Development

By: Virginia Rodeman  
Division Instructor Development  
Supervisor

All the education programs have little changes which occur from one year to the next. Instructor Development is no exception.

Probably the biggest change will be in delivery of the course; we are changing the instructor of record. Only the division supervisor will run this class. It will be run a few times during the year. If you decide to use this method, you will still read the text and complete the CD, plan a six pack and deliver it, and complete a written test.

ID is the first step in becoming an instructor. Step two involves the mentoring process, which can last different amounts of time. Or, if you chose, you can take the ID class for a Senior elective. Most traditional classes are run in the spring, summer or fall. Check the calendar for one near you!



# Central Division Nordic Clinic 2010

By: Betty Adams  
NC Region Nordic Administrator

On Saturday, January 23 eleven Central Division patrollers from Minnesota, Illinois and Wisconsin gathered at Minocqua Winter Park.

We practiced senior classic and skating techniques. One patroller tested for

senior. On Sunday warm weather turned to wet snow. At least it looked better than rain.

Dan Clausen worked with us to improve our skating skills. On Monday the bitter cold held off so we could enjoy a telemark clinic at Indianhead with Dan Clausen.

Bob Moe brought equipment to rent so all patrollers could practice telemarking.

From the snow which fell on Sunday there was crud to challenge us. We all enjoyed excellent conditions which included some new snow in the afternoon.



## Remember to Smile

By: Darcy Hanley, Division Senior Program Supervisor

Happy New Year to all those in the Central Division! It was my pleasure and honor to travel to all three STW's in December and ski with so many of you.

Each of the Senior Evaluation Card groups had thirteen to fourteen senior trainers and evaluators in the group! Wow! These patrollers work throughout a season to prepare senior candidates to be successful taking the senior test. AND then take a

weekend to provide a fair senior evaluation. Kudos to all of you!

The Division voted and accepted the new senior evaluation card to be used for the 2010 senior alpine test. The new card is a

reinforcement of the balance, edging, rotary and pressure used in every turn no matter the size. The new card does articulate specific skills necessary in good skiing movements. Focus on both feet turning (simultaneous vs sequential), no traverse between turns, keep both feet on the snow and balance throughout the turn. Open parallel turns are passable skills, some skidding is allowed especially during medium and short radius turns. Nothing radical or new there! Some have asked what about dynamic? YES! If you are moving and turning you are being dynamic. So for clarification dynamic balance is *balance in motion*. A dynamic parallel turn is *turn with more carving than*

*skidding. Forces created in the turn are used to benefit the turn or following turn.* (Reference PSIA Technical Manual)

The new card does clarify what a senior skier must demonstrate to pass the alpine section of the test. The new card provides a clarification of BERP which has not changed. The new card does ask for all types of turn sizes and these can be done in one run based on terrain. There is just one more very important clarification... Make sure your own personal skiing is there. Make sure that you can describe a turn, how to make a turn, turn initiation, finishing

turns, balance throughout the turn and most of all you can ski these turns. For a candidate the demo says it all! A candidate will ski like you. They will use you as that visual standard. Make each turn count!

There was excellent feedback from each of the STW's. Some have asked for a glossary of terms, others received the senior trainer card that was laminated. This is posted on the website under 'Senior Trainer Card' and can be used as a reference when you are training. Your SES clinics will provide a perfect opportunity to share the new senior evaluation card. Above all, skiing/boarding is fun! Make that the priority!



## Central Division Patrollers Rock!

By: Don Loerch, Skills Development Supervisor

Happy New Year to all! I hope this issue finds each of you enjoying the winter season. December was indeed a very productive month for your Division Skills Development Team. The first three weekends of last month found our merry band traveling around the division visiting **Trollhaugen/Wisconsin**, **Boyne Highlands/Michigan** and **Cascade Mountain/Wisconsin**.

Why were we on the road so much you might ask? The answer is simple; we brought our show to your neighborhood and came to see you! Despite the early season dates, conditions were fantastic and the red carpet was rolled out at all three venues. In all, 185 patrollers participated in our early season alpine clinics (Ski Trainer Work-

shops). Session offerings included; Toboggan Instructor Trainer (IT) recertification, Toboggan Instructor (TI) refresher, Senior Alpine Evaluator standards/practices, Senior Alpine Evaluator Bridging Pilot, Senior Minded Ski Enhancement Seminar (SES). Each of the two day clinics was staffed by a talented team consisting of approximately 20 coaches, one and all dedicated to making the most of our valuable time together. We hope word continues to spread that innovation drives our annual efforts.

This year among other things we added online registration and incorporated our division owned fleet of 118cm short trainer skis into the ski skills sessions. We want you to know we're continuously looking for ways to add value to each and every opportunity we have to train together.

As of this date, we're already discussing topics for next year's offering. If you didn't have an opportunity to attend this year, please mark your calendar for next December and plan on joining us at a future clinic. For further information watch for postings on the division website, ask a member of your region staff or contact a member of the Skills Development Team. In the interim we'll look forward to making new friends and greeting old ones again at a hill near you. Before we say goodbye, we'd like to offer our thanks to all of the patrollers who took time out of their busy December to join us, we enjoyed spending time with each of you. Be sure to tell fellow members how much fun they missed. Finally, we'd also like to express our gratitude to each regions leadership, without their support these clinics would not be possible.



# MTR Courses Set and Ready for You

By: John Wachter, Central Division  
MTR Supervisor

Already I see several courses on there way this year in the Division. I want to thank all of those that have participated and help put these courses on.

I have been working with Bill Baer and Melanie Fullman, two MTR instructors from the U.P. who are employees of the US Forest Service, officers of Gog. Co. Search & Rescue, and long-time National Ski Patrollers. They each have 25+ years of experience living, working (and searching for folks) in Michigan, Idaho, Washington, and Alaska.

We will be holding an MTR2 / instructor development course in the rolling hills and incised valleys of the Bessemer Ranger District (Ottawa National Forest) on March 12-14-2010. We will be starting around 6:00 p.m on Friday and finishing up by 12:00 p.m on Sunday. In addition to working with other Patrollers, attendees will participate in field rescue exercises with the Gogebic County Search & Rescue unit. The class is designed to accommodate a range of outdoor skills, mixing various levels of previous experience.

Topics will include:

- From Here to There: a map & compass refresher that will

cover topo maps, dead reckoning, and GPS

- Pigs in a Blanket (aka Emergency Toboggan Construction)
- That's NOT a KNOT! (knots refresher)
- Hangin' with Friends: a ropes refresher in a controlled environment (an unheated but wind-protected and illuminated barn)
- Proper equipment and clothing

There will be two or three field scenarios which will emphasize group learning. Effective search techniques, patient care, effective rescue, and communications will be the primary focus. There are no tricks; there is no test. Teamwork and communication = successful searches. Several participants will have chances for command positions with possible LAR (low angle rescue) needed to extract victims. A debriefing will be held at the end of each completed scenario to go over plus and minus of operation.

Due to terrain and snow conditions, participants should bring XC skis and/or snowshoes. Those wanting to camp, either in tents or self-made snow caves, should bring appropriate camping gear, clothing, and supplies for below 0° tem-

peratures. Warm indoor shelter will be available. Friday dinner and possibly Sat. dinner will be group meals; participants will need to provide their own field meals and snacks. Anyone wishing to attend please let me know by Feb. 14-2010. Class space will be limited due to the nature of it and there will be a registration fee of 20.00. If you are an instructor and would like to help out please let me know. John wachter CD MTR adviser rock\_ski@hotmail.com

The below article was submitted to me by Derk Renwick an MTR instructor from the Western Region who patrols at Buck Hill Ski Patrol. Renwick@umn.edu I feel his article is very informative and brings out some controversial issues. I encourage anyone out there that would like to share their thoughts and , philosophy or tips on the MTR subject to submit them to me at rock\_ski@hotmail.com. I would like to hear you opinions. As the old proverb states: there is more than one way to skin a cat.

Quote of the month:

Some people climb mountains.....

I take out the trash.....

We both do it for the same reasons.

## Mountain Travel and Rescue Action Suit

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Mountain Travel and Rescue: the "Action Suit" Philosophy

Layering your clothing is an essential skill for enjoying activities in outdoor winter environments. The versatility of

this system has a number of demonstrated benefits: multiple, light-weight garments trap and hold air between each layer, temperature regulation is controlled through addition and removal of layers, and moisture is controlled through wicking and frequent adjustment. The basic components of the layering system are 1) a wicking base layer, 2) breathable insulation layers, and 3) a protective outer shell. The idea

is to build an adjustable cocoon of warm air with loose-fitting, easy on-off clothing for micro-adjustment of your immediate environment throughout the day's activities.

Your level of preparation and experience, e.g. your knowledge of equipment, skills, and the expected weather forecast, as well as the number of times you have participated in different field activities during varying weather conditions, will determine the number and type of layers you use. You typically wear more layers at the beginning of your activity, when stopping for rest, water, or food, and when telling lies around the campfire. During periods of high-level activity, removal of layers allows for adjustment of heat and moisture, keeping your cocoon at a safe and comfortable equilibrium and your muscles operating at optimum efficiency.

Mark Twight, a prominent American mountaineer and technical director of Mountain Mobility Group, LLC, has developed a variation of the traditional layering system that considers certain nuances when participating in sustained physical activities such as mountain travel and Nordic skiing: the "action suit" philosophy. The "action suit" philosophy promotes a subtle shift to the traditional layering system: instead of adding and removing insulation layers *under* the protective shell, layer *over the top*.

The well-conditioned, well-fueled human combustion engine operates at a high level of efficiency for many hours each day. The human body will function at a relatively consistent level of energy output during this time. The "action suit" keeps you cool so you don't overheat and you don't over-sweat. Warmth is managed by physical activity and by placing bulky layers over the top of the "action suit" during periods of rest. When patrolling in a typical alpine ski and snowboard environment, you will spend much of your time on a chairlift, on-scene assisting an injured

guest, or interacting with the alpine community. Often there are indoor facilities available for rest and warmth, and the traditional layering system is ideal for this type of stop-and-go activity. The "action suit," however, provides consistent temperature and moisture



**Derk Renwick, prepared for extended periods of sustained activity and ready to harvest some blower pow in the process.**

regulation during extended periods of sustained activity:

Begin with a basic wicking layer and add only those layers that are appropriate for the highest level of sustained physical activity and expected environmental conditions. This is the same combination of clothing you would wear during peak times of exertion under the traditional layering system, however the "action suit" serves as your second skin—a breathable layer of protection tailored to the environment that you do not remove. Moisture control is essential for maintaining a safe and efficient, comfortable cocoon, and each layer of the "action suit"—base, insulation, and shell—must wick and/or breath. When you cease activity for an extended period of time, place a thick, insulating

layer, such as a synthetic parka, *over the top* of your "action suit." When you are ready to get back on the trail, simply remove the parka and you are poised for peak levels of performance, once again.

Additionally, the "action suit" philosophy considers items you carry on your person that factor into the system. For instance, consider your backpack: many outdoor enthusiasts carry a large, internal-frame pack for extended periods in the backcountry. Modern, internal-frame packs are constructed with padding, e.g. insulation, which covers a significant portion of the torso. Many outdoorswo/men will attest to the discomfort of the rapid cooling that accompanies a sweat-soaked back when the pack finally comes off! Pack designers have tried to account for this with airflow technology, however the traditional layering system often counters this solution by filling the air-space with the bulk of many, loose-fitting layers. The "action suit" philosophy considers this problem by incorporating pack insulation and its effect into and upon the cocoon.

The Mountain Travel and Rescue courses explore fundamental and advanced techniques of mountain and Nordic travel, including complete instruction in the principles of building safe, efficient, and comfortable clothing systems. Join us in 2009–2010 as we share the many skills and methods available to enhance your enjoyment of, and safety in, the great outdoors. Contact me at [renwick@umn.edu](mailto:renwick@umn.edu), or Daryl Coons, Western Region MTR Advisor, at [essebon@hotmail.com](mailto:essebon@hotmail.com) for an updated schedule of Western Region or John Wachter [rock\\_ski@hotmail.com](mailto:rock_ski@hotmail.com) for the Division Mountain Travel and Rescue courses offered in 2009–2010.



# New Assistant OEC Division Supervisor

By: Kathy Glynn, Assistant Division OEC Supervisor

Hello, my name is Kathy Glynn, and I recently was appointed to the position of Assistant Division OEC Supervisor in Central Division. I began patrolling in 1996 and attained Senior status in 1999. I am an Instructor and Instructor Trainer in both OEC and Instructor Development.



I previously served as the OEC Region Administrator for Western Region from 2003 to 2009.

I wish to thank all of the OEC Instructors for providing great refreshers. The hard

work and planning was evident by all of the positive comments I heard like “refreshers were informative with lots of hands-on”. Thank you to the OEC IT’s who provided oversight to ensure objectives were met and that quality assurance was achieved.

Ski safe and have fun on the slopes! Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance.

## Awards Available at All Levels

By: Gregg Reese, Division Awards Supervisor

In ski patrol there are many awards

Candidates can receive local, section, and some region level awards.

Patrollers can receive local, section, region, division, and national level awards

Local awards can be presented to patrollers and candidates for many different functions within a patrol.

Section awards can be presented to patrollers or candidates in the section for service done at section or local levels.

Region awards can be for special exceptional service done by patrollers or candidates at either local or region levels.

Some examples of this exceptional service at region level are the Southern Cross

presented by Southern Region, the Insignia award presented by Eastern Michigan

Region, and the Tenth Mountain Division Association, North Central Chapter Award

presented to a Western Region patrol for outstanding contributions to the ski patrol.

Division awards can be for outstanding contributions of patrollers at local, region and division level

National awards are given to patrollers for extraordinary service and leadership in NSP credentialed programs.

There are two basic categories of awards- awards recognizing specific achievements and honorary awards recognizing career leadership and achievement.

### AWARDS RECOGNIZING SPECIFIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Certificates of Appreciation: awards presented to patrollers or candidates recognizing specific accomplishments during the past ski season or for longer term service. Certificates of Appreciation can be from local, section, region, division or National levels.

Service Recognition Awards: certificates and pins recognize patrollers who have served the NSP for 5 years or longer and given in increments of five years.

Division Director’s Award: Awarded to patrollers who the Central Division Director deems to have provided exceptional service to the Central Division.

Central Division Program Award: awarded yearly to patrollers in the Central Division who have offered the most valuable service to each of the 18 Central Division programs

Central Division Outstanding Instructor Trainer- awarded annually to the most valuable Instructor Trainer in the Central Division

Central Division Outstanding Supervisor: Awarded annually to the most valuable Central Division program supervisor.

### Outstanding Patrol Awards

Region, Division, and National Outstanding Large Alpine Patrol

Region, Division, and National Outstanding Small Alpine Patrol

Region, Division, and National Outstanding Nordic Patrol

### Outstanding Patroller Awards

Region, Division, and National Outstanding Alpine Patroller

Region, Division, and National Outstanding Nordic Patroller

Region, Division, and National Outstanding Auxiliary Patroller

Region, Division, and National Young Adult Patroller

Region, Division, and National Outstanding OEC Instructor



Region, Division, and National Outstanding Instructor

Region, Division, and National Outstanding Administrative Patroller

Region, Division, and National Outstanding Professional Patroller

Region, Division, and National Outstanding Patrol Representative

Region and Division Outstanding Nordic Patrol Representative

Gold Merit Star: award for winning National Outstanding Patroller categories

Silver Merit Star: award for winning National Outstanding First Runner-Up categories

Yellow Merit Stars: (a) awarded for all Division Outstanding Patroller categories, (b) for outstanding service by a patroller in an NSP discipline, (c) for outstanding assistance by a patroller in a lifesaving scenario

Unit Citation: Awards: awarded (a) to patrols with special accomplishments such as 50 years of operation or (b) yearly Central Division Outstanding Patrol winners

Meritorious Service Award: awarded for exceptional service to a retiring Region

or Division supervisor or advisor

Green Merit Star: awarded to a patroller for heroic arduous and hazardous rescue.

Purple Merit Star: awarded to a patroller for directly saving a life using OEC approved interventions.

Blue Merit Star: awarded to a patroller for (a) outstanding support of a Purple Merit Star or (b) for a heroic attempt to save a life where the patient does not survive for 24 hours.

Patroller's Cross: awarded to a patroller who is seriously injured in the course of ski patrol duty

Central Division Critical Care Award: awarded to a Central Division patroller for assessment and care using OEC training and skills that recognizes and treats a patient with a great potential for life threatening injuries and illness.

## HONORARY AWARDS

National Appointment: award for senior alpine, senior Nordic, or certified

patrollers for outstanding long term leadership and involvement in NSP credentialed programs

Leadership Commendation Appointment: award for senior Auxiliary Patrollers for outstanding long term leadership and involvement in NSP credentialed programs

Distinguished Service Award: awarded to senior, basic or certified patrollers who have a minimum of 20 years of service to the NSP and have demonstrated long term leadership to NSP credentialed programs

Central Division Lifetime Achievement Award awarded to a Central Division patroller who has over 30 years of service and has demonstrated high levels of continuous leadership over at least a 15 year period of time.

Sage Award: awarded to the oldest active patroller at Region or Division level

Angel Pin: award presented by local patrols or regions recognizing spouses of patrollers for their support of their significant others' NSP activities

# Patrolling is What it is All About

By: Rose DeJarnette, Division Auxiliary Supervisor

As we move forward in this 2009-2010 season, hopefully everyone is enjoying another fabulous winter. Patrolling is what it is all about! It does not matter what skill classification you are, we are all patrollers and there is something for everyone this time of year. If you are an auxiliary patroller, take the opportunity to get out there and enjoy the season. As auxiliary patrollers, many of you may spend a lot of time in the aid room. You are our experts in patient care management and deserve

a big "Thank You" for what you do. Do not stop there, get out there on the snow and experience the season at its best. Central Division has so much to offer everyone.

Our winter season is short in Central Division and spring will be here soon. For those of you interested in becoming a Senior Patroller, several regions will be offering Senior Emergency Management clinics (SEM) and Aid Room Management Modules. Have you taken the challenge? Have you thought about participating in an Aid Room Management Module (ARM)?

The ARM is required for auxiliary patrollers who would like to become Senior Auxiliary Patrollers. All skill classifications are welcome to participate in the module. If you are not an Auxiliary patroller, but want to take your OEC Management skills to a higher level, consider participating in the Aid Room Module. This event takes a different spin on Emergency Management. It offers challenges focused on situations in and around the Aid Room versus out on the hill. There have been many non-auxiliary patrollers take the Aid Room Challenge, so many in fact that we will be proposing it



become a senior elective for all patrollers wishing to become Senior Patrollers. It is a valuable entity for building OEC and Aid Room management skills.

Please visit the Central Division Web site for more information on the Aid Room Module, the Auxiliary Program and other Central Division opportunities. Encouragement of

patroller personal development should continue no matter what the skill classification. Fulfill your personal goals by participating in our Central Division NSP Programs.

# Drinking the “Cool” Aid

By: Dan Somalski, Assistant Division Director

A few years ago the Central Division of NSP polled the Ski Area Owners Association. The NSP asked the owners, what are we doing well and what do we need to work on?

The Owner/Operators responded that they thought our OEC skills were great. They thought our toboggan skills were suitable and we needed to ski better. The public and apparently the management's perception of ski patrollers are is what they see from the chairlift and in most people's minds “perception is reality”.

To answer this criticism your division testing and training group, under the direction of Don Loerch, has been traveling the division doing Ski Enhancement Seminars in addition to the other programs such as Toboggan IT Clinics and New Senior Scorecard. I don't know why but Don assigned me and others to the Ski Enhancement semi-

nars. What a great time I had meeting, joking, and working with so many great and dedicated ski patrollers.

There is one common thread that seemed to occur during the six days of SES in December. That commonality is “OLD SCHOOL SKIING STYLE”. Shaped skis came out about 15 years ago. We couldn't buy anything else but shaped skis for the last ten years, but a lot of us ski these engineering marvels like the 210cm. monsters of old. When the automatic transmission came out, we all said “where's the clutch”? When the push button phone was introduced we figured it out. When ATMs were introduced at our local banks we applauded the convenience. But why do we drag our feet when it comes to utilizing one of the greatest advances in skiing next to the plastic ski boot?

When we skied on the “long boards” we thought we knew what “carving” was. We didn't have a clue! When the “shaped ski” came out it opened whole

new horizons of carving possibilities. Why have we ignored these advances and still start a turn by driving the outside foot to force the ski to make a controlled slide to start a new turn? This action is akin to shifting our automatic transmission car through the gears, it is counter productive.

In the “new” (10 year old) movement pattern, all we need do is TIP the skis together and wait for the turn to happen. Try it sometime, it works, I promise. None of us are getting any younger and these shaped skis are POWER STEERING for old knees.

So jump on the band wagon, sign on, drink the Kool Aid, and try something new. If you are having trouble with the current style, get to an SES, contact a member of the NSP central division PSIA ski school, or simple take a lesson from your local ski school. The feeling of being “locked on rails” is incredible. Thanks for letting me rant.

See ya on the white and slippery.

## Region Reports

### Ohio

By: Bill Currier, Ohio Region Director

Winter seems to be on for one or two days, then off for one or two days so far this season. As I'm writing this we are in the midst of a January thaw after having 2 weeks of fluffy, lake effect snow. So it goes.

The Region SEM event was held at Brandywine on Dec. 5. The event was not only successful, but it satisfied the requirement for being held on the snow. 15 candidates were tested for their emergency management and aid room OEC skills. In addition over 60 patrollers served in positions such as evaluators, station managers, advocates, patients and other supporting roles. Congratulations to all who completed the evaluation, and thanks to those who

participated in making the event successful.

News from National, which you may have already seen, is that four new members were elected to the NSP Board including Janet Glaeser from the BMBW Patrol. Congratulations Janet! Unfortunately, again only about 10% of the membership voted in this election. Also, revised NSP Bylaws were approved.

By now our winter activities train has left the station, is well along on the journey and has already made several stops for some fun-filled educational events. More than 25 Ohio Region Patrollers participated in the Division S&T Clinic that was held at Boyne Highlands on Dec. 12-13. Two Region STW's were held in January, and the Region Certified Pre-Qualification and Recertification Clinic was held at Perfect North Slopes on Jan 10. By the time you read this news letter, several SES's

and TES's will have also been completed. A Division Women's clinic is planned to be held at Perfect North Slopes on Jan. 31, and other skill-enhancing events are planned during the rest of January and February. On February 21st the Region Senior S&T test will be held at Perfect North Slopes. In March a 2nd SEM may be held at either Paoli Peaks or Perfect North Slopes. Check the Division calendar for details of these and other events that will be offered during our 2010 journey.

There are a few changes in the Region organization as we begin the 2010 season. Bev Janke, Snow Trails Ski Patrol, is the new Elections Officer, Tom Tavenner, Mad River Mountain Ski Patrol, is the new Senior Program Advisor, and Jim Burns is appointed Section Chief of O-2, to fill the balance of Janet Glaeser's term. I am looking forward to a great season and hope to see many of you at the various events that we have planned. Have a safe and successful 2009 / 2010 season.

## North Central

By: David Dahl, NC Region Director

Well, we had a good winter going until this past weekend. I hope the rain didn't take away too much of your area's snow and we'll hope for more snow in the near future.

On January 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> North Central Region had an S & T clinic and SEM at Brule for our ski and toboggan instructors, Senior, Basic and candidate patrollers. We had a total of 85 participants who took advantage of the opportunities to improve their skiing, tobogganing and OEC skills. Thanks to Jim Grundstom and team for putting together an outstanding S&T event on Saturday and Gregory Kerwin and team for an outstanding Trauma Core OEC seminar event on Sunday.

Thanks to Ski Brule's patrol and the hospitality of the Polich family, owners of Ski Brule. Their continued support makes a difference. Check out the group photo in this issue - can you identify the person who is not a patroller?

The Region awards' meeting is set for Feb 21st. Be sure to get your nominations to Marcia Locher before that time. Let's see more award nominations from ALL our ski areas this year. This is the best way to say thank you and acknowledge the dedication and hard work of our patrollers. If you have questions about awards, please contact Marcia at 715-341-8943 or [rlocher@charter.net](mailto:rlocher@charter.net).

Feb 20-21st is the Senior evaluation weekend at Indianhead. Good Luck to all candidates.

The North Central Region Banquet is April 16-18 at the Waters of Minocqua, and is hosted this year by Section 3. See the registration form in this issue for a listing of events. I look forward to seeing many of you as we end the ski season and look forward to next. Section Chiefs - let's contact our patrol reps and encourage attendance from every patrol this year. There will again be a variety of educational opportunities, including a CPR refresher on Saturday. What a great way to take care of one of our annual requirements while attending a fun and informational meeting. As always, the water park is available for you and your families and downtown Minocqua has lots of shopping and fun things to do as well.

Enjoy the rest of the season and I'll see you at the Banquet!

## Division Patroller on Olympic Med Team

Special to the RPN  
From Gannet News Services  
Stevens Point Journal  
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By: Nicole Strittmater, Stevens Point Journal

Jim DeWeerd grew up with a passion for skiing, but never in his wildest dreams did he expect to be a part of the Olympics.

He might not be competing, but the retired Ministry Medical Group doctor will be part of the medical team for the Vancouver Olympic Games in February, his second Olympic experience.

DeWeerd, 63, of Stevens Point, who practiced orthopedic and sports medicine for 24 years with Ministry

Medical Group, will provide medical assistance to athletes hurt during practice or competition on Cypress Mountain from Feb. 9 to 28.

He also was a physician at the Olympics in Salt Lake City in 2002.

"It was a little breathtaking (to see the games). It's almost a little overwhelming," he said. "Probably the scariest part



is the potential of having to deal with a life-threatening injury on the slopes.” When patients walked into Rice Medical Center in Stevens Point, DeWeerd almost always had time to step back and evaluate the situation.

“But the scariest part is watching an athlete fall at a high rate of speed ... landing awkwardly and watching them slide to a stop and not moving,” he said. “I’ve had the situation where I’ve had to tell the world’s best skier that they had a knee injury. It’s a big emotional crash.”

DeWeerd still volunteers for sports medicine events for Ministry Medical Group and also travels to Utah every year for the FIS World Cup, an alpine and freestyle skiing competition. He is the head physician for the Deer Valley World Cup venue. There are several World Cup events around the world each year, where athletes compete against one another for the championship.

He also is a ski patroller at Granite Peak Ski Area in Wausau two days a week and helps people who are hurt on the slopes.

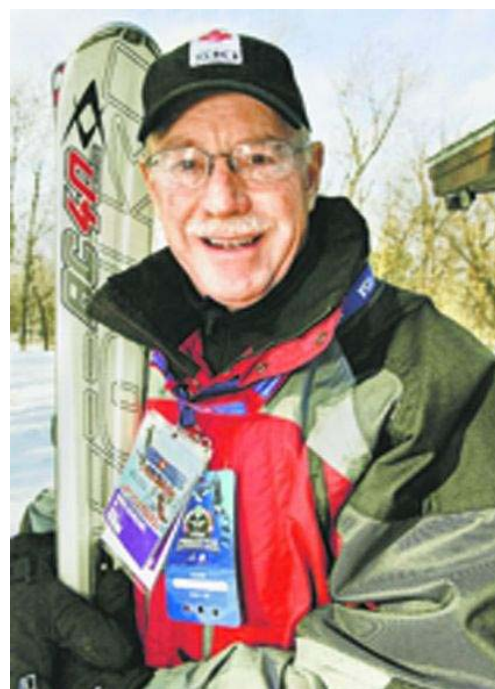
In 2000, he heard the Salt Lake City Olympic Games was seeking volunteers to do ski patrol, so he offered his services.

But after he detailed his experience — including as a physician in the U.S. Navy at the Naval Air Station on Whidbey Island in Washington, in the naval reserves for 18 years, and on ski patrols for 38 years — they quickly told him he would be more qualified to be a physician at the Olympics.

He leaves for Vancouver on Thursday and will stay until March 2. There will be about nine physicians and 30 ski patrollers at his venue on Cypress Mountain.

His son, Peter, 35, who practices family medicine in Salt Lake City, said it’s exciting his father found another way to keep practicing medicine after retirement.

“I know he really enjoys spending time with the athletes,” he said. “The thing for me that’s really amazing is the fact that my father ... has worked hard



**Jim DeWeerd just prior to leaving for Vancouver, BC and the 2010 Winter Olympics. He will serve on the medical team at the Cypress Mnt venue.**

enough and long enough that he was able to be accepted as part of the (Olympics). I think it’s just a testament to his character and his work ethic that they would offer him that opportunity.”

## Central Division Snow Sports School Current Roster

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198771	Karen	Hooper	Ohio Region	184202	Jeff	Hanley	Southern Region
125710	Iayton	Ives	Ohio Region	209340	Stephen	Loukin	Southern Region
227200	Matt	Kim	Ohio Region	124788	Charles	Martschinke	Southern Region
180086	Rick	King	Ohio Region	204551	Kevin	McQuillan	Southern Region
206230	Alicia	Knapke-Stanley	Ohio Region	129659	Ken	Meldahl	Southern Region
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128830	Bryan	Loveless	Ohio Region	193985	Robert	Robinson	Southern Region
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216799	Pat	McCabe	Ohio Region	127971	Sue	Smith-Boissenet	Southern Region
195248	Dia	McDermitt-Hall	Ohio Region	129108	Mike	Vaerewyck	Southern Region
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184004	Richard	McNitt	Ohio Region	196285	Dave	Weis	Southern Region
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# Snow Sports School Expands Offerings

By: Jay Zedak, Division Snow Sports School Supervisor

In addition to Instructing throughout the Division, we are rolling out a "Virtual Instruction" feature to add to our Traveling Ski School. This will allow members of the NSP to send us Video, and receive movement analysis "on-line".

The partner company will provide all the hosting necessary to pass and store the video vault for us. Our members, will upload images to the site , we will do the analysis and send it back to them.

For the time being: Brian Cobble, Chuck Martchinke, Dan Moss, Don Loerch, Linda



Barthel, Chris Raudabaugh, John Thomas, John Keating, Marty Collins, and I will be the "Staff" completing the analysis. Hopefully the (10) staff will grow in number once we get this program completely rolled out. We are also posting additional video on our current [www.nspskischool.com](http://www.nspskischool.com) web site to aid "Senior Candidates" find accurate demo's of the Central Division Senior Standards for Skiing and Riding.

Another exciting development this season is "SOUTHERN DIVISION" has asked our staff to come lead a SES and a STW at Beech Mountain in NORTH CAROLINA. Yes, N.C. is getting Central Division NSP members to come and help them with skiing instruction! SUPER COOL.



2009-2010 NSP National Snow Sport Application

NATIONAL SKI PATROL



SNOW SPORT SCHOOL

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PSIA Division: \_\_\_\_\_ PSIA Membership #'s \_\_\_\_\_ (if you are already PSIA Certified)

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 (circle)

\*Please enclose one copy of your current PSIA membership card if you are currently registered with PSIA

**(PSIA membership is not required to be a member of the NSP Snow Sport School)**

\*In the event that you raise your PSIA certification status during the ski season, a new copy of your card should be submitted as soon as possible to reflect your accurate Certification status.

\*All Instructors MUST have students sign the Release of Liability form provided on the [www.nspskischool.com](http://www.nspskischool.com) home page prior to lessons. Instructor assumes the responsibility of \$1000.00 deductible with no release being signed by students.

\*The ski school insurance policy provides \$2,000,000 (two million dollars) liability coverage for patrollers while engaged in giving a ski lesson to other patrollers or candidate patrollers. The policy also provides \$25,000 Excess Accident Medical coverage for the instructor and students.

**Enclose a check for \$66 made out to "NSP Ski School"** Coverage Period 11/1/09 thru 10/31/10

Submit application w/payment to: **NSP Ski School**  
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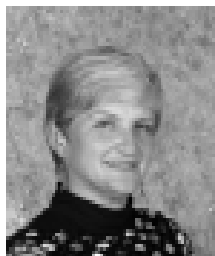
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# CENTRAL DIVISION CALENDAR

Start Date	End Date	Reg	Location	Description	Contact	Category
2010-02-13	2010-02-13	EM	Whiteface New York	One day snow science course at Whiteface Mt., New York. This is the snow science portion of the Level 1 for Rescue Personnel course if you do not elect to do the snow science in the Level 2 for Rescue Personnel course held in Utah.	Dale Mihuta	AVA
2010-02-21	2010-02-21	EM	Apple Mtn.	EMR3 Basic Ski & Toboggan Evaluation	Mary Gaffney - skiharley@charter.net	AVA
2010-03-06	2010-03-06	NC	Mt. Bohemia, MI UP	One day snow science course at Mt. Bohemia, Michigan This is the snow science portion of the Level 1 for Rescue Personnel course if you do not elect to do the snow science in the Level 2 for Rescue Personnel course held in Utah	Dale Mihuta	AVA
2010-02-21	2010-02-21	NC		Region Awards Electronic Voting Complete	Marcia Locher 715 341 8943 rlocher@charter.net	AWARDS
2010-03-07	2010-03-07	NM	Shanty Creek Ski Resort	NMR Awards Committee Meeting	Dick Jacques	AWARDS
2010-05-01	2010-05-01	NM	Schuss Mountain Resort	NMR Awards Banquet	Dick Jacques	AWARDS
2010-04-18	2010-04-20	NC	Waters of Minocqua	Region Spring Meeting and Banquet	David Dahl david.dahl@greenheck.com	BANQUET
2010-05-01		WM	Cannonsburg	Region Awards Banquet	ajcjwtolfer@chartermi.net	BANQUET
2010-05-15	2010-05-15	EM	TBD	EMR Awards Banquet	Mike Schons - mschons@yahoo.com	BANQUET
2010-02-25	2010-02-28	OH	Marquette	8:30 AM Division Certified Test	Dan Moss	CERTIFIED
2010-02-20		NM		Individual Awards Deadline (National, LSA Apointments, Stars, MSA, DSA, etc	Dick Jacques	DEADLINES
2010-02-22	2010-02-22	NM	Alanson, MI	NMR OEC SEM Paperwork Deadline	Tena Lechtanski	DEADLINES
2010-02-24		NM		Deadline for Outstanding Awards Submissions	Dick Jacques	DEADLINES
2010-06-01	2010-06-01	NC		Powder Lines Deadline	Tim Zimmerman tzimmerman@mitchellmetalproducts.com	DEADLINES
2010-03-15	0000-00-00	OH	BMBW	7-10 PM Instructor Development Course	Janet Glaeser	INST'R DEVLPMT
2010-03-17	0000-00-00	OH	BMBW	7-10 PM Instructor Development Course	Janet Glaeser	INST'R DEVLPMT
2010-04-11	2010-04-11	EM	Mt. Holly	Instructor Development	Ellen Burchfield - ellburch@aol.com	INST'R DEVLPMT
2010-04-09	2010-04-11	NC	Chicago	Central Division Spring Meeting	David Dahl david.dahl@greenheck.com	MEETING
2010-04-10	2010-04-11	OH	Chicago (Oakbrook)	Central Division Spring BOD Meeting	Jim Woodrum	MEETING
2010-04-24		OH	Snow Trails	Region Spring Meeting & Awards Banquet	Bill Currier / Dave Baumlein	MEETING
2010-05-01	2010-05-01	NM	Schuss Mountain Resort	NMR Board of Directors Meeting	Bob Lechtanski	MEETING
2010-05-05	2010-05-05	EM	Holiday Inn, Flint	EMR Spring Meeting	Derek Werner - derek.werner@usa.net	MEETING
2010-08-10	2010-08-11	OH	Shanty Creek Resort, Belaire, MI	MSAA Annual Meeting	Ken Meldahl, Central Div. Rep	MEETING
2010-08-13	2010-08-14	OH	Columbus, OH	PR Retreat	Jim Vickroy	MEETING
2010-09-10	2010-09-12	OH	Minneapolis, MN	Central Division Fall Meeting and Awards Banquet	Jim Woodrum	MEETING
2010-09-19		OH		Region Fall Meeting - Alternate date 9-26	Bill Currier	MEETING
2011-09-09	2011-09-11	OH	Ohio	Central Division Fall Meeting and Awards Banquet	Jim Woodrum	MEETING
2010-02-19	2010-02-21	EM	TBD	MTR Fundamentals & Level II - Field Session	Chuck White - cwhite@kettering.edu	MTR
2010-03-06	2010-03-06	NC	location TBD	MTR 1	Randy Tufts 1 651 330 1052 randytufts@yahoo.com	MTR
2010-03-27	0000-00-00	OH	PNS	8:30-5:00 MTR Classroom	Bill Schick	MTR

2010-03-01	2010-03-01	EM	Mt. Holly	OEC Class Begins	Rich Hansen - teamhansen@comcast.net	OEC
2010-03-06		OH	TBD	SEM 2, Planned for Paoli Peaks conditions permitting. PNS alternate location	Alicia Knapke-Stanley	OEC
2010-02-20	2010-02-21	OH	Snow Trails	Winter Carnival	Dave Baumlein	OTHER
2010-02-27	2010-02-27	NC	Hayward, WI	Birkebeiner	Barbara Wheeler bawheelerski@msn.com	OTHER
2010-03-03	2010-03-03	NC	Minocqua Winter Park	Lakeland Loppet	Betty Adams 715 588 7731 mbadams@newnorth.net	OTHER
2010-03-14	2010-03-14	NC		Great Bear Chase	Barbara Wheeler 1 906 487 9695 bawheelerski@msn.com	OTHER
2010-05-17	2010-05-15	NC	Iola, WI	Bump 'n Jump	Keith Robinson 1 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com	OTHER
2010-05-31	2010-05-31	NC		Tesomas Crystal Lake Classic	Keith Robinson 1 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com	OTHER
2010-06-07	2010-06-07	NC	Wausau, WI	Nine Mile Big Ring Classic	Steve Konkel 1 715 675 9263 steven.konkel@gte.net	OTHER
2010-06-25	2010-06-27	NC	Marquette, MI	Superior Bike Festival	Jim Grundstrom jimgrundstrom@freichevy.com	OTHER
2010-07-25	2010-07-26	NC	Wausau, WI	Nine Mile 24 Hour Bike Race	Steve Konkel 1 715 675 9263 steven.konkel@gte.net	OTHER
2010-02-20	2010-02-20	SC	TBD	OEC Senior eval	erdmann@wisc.edu	SEM
2010-02-13	2010-02-13	SC	Tyrol Basin	Senior on hill eval	pebutler@chorus.net	SENIOR
2010-02-20	2010-02-21	NC	Indian Head	Senior SEM and S&T	Greg Kerwin 1 906 226 2431 gkerwin@juno.com Les Robinson 715 213 2918 lbrobins@wctc.net	SENIOR
2010-02-20	0000-00-00	OH		8:30 AM Senior Alpine Ski Clinic	Amy Arnold	SENIOR
2010-02-20		S	Chestnut Mtn Resort, Galena, IL	Senior Ski/Snowboard & Toboggan Evaluation	Patrick Perlman	SENIOR
2010-02-21	2010-02-21	NM	Boyne Mountain Resort	NMR Senior Ski & Tobogganing Proficiency Evaluation	Aren Fairchild & Mike Leach	SENIOR
2010-02-21	0000-00-00	OH		Ohio Region Alpine Senior Exam	Jay Zedak	SENIOR
2010-02-22	2010-02-22	NM	Alanson, MI	NMR OEC SEM Paperwork Deadline	Tena Lechtanski	SENIOR
2010-02-27		WM	Crystal Mountain	Senior Hill Bump Clinic	uptelegirl@gmail.com	SENIOR
2010-02-28		WM	Crystal Mountain	Senior Hill Evaluation	uptelegirl@gmail.com	SENIOR
2010-03-06	2010-03-06	EM	Mt. Holly	Senior Scene Mgt. Evaluation	Mike Case - emtski@comcast.net	SENIOR
2010-03-06		S	Snowstar Ski Area	SEM Evaluation	Len Kunkel	SENIOR
2010-03-07	2010-03-07	NM	Shanty Creek Ski Resort	NMR SEM Evaluation	Tena Lechtanski	SENIOR
2010-03-07		WM	Cannonsburg	Senior Emergency Mangement Evaluation	mficksr@steelcase.com	SENIOR
2010-02-13		OH	Perfect North	TES	Troy Southwick	TEST/TRAIN
2010-02-14	2010-02-14	EM	Mt. Brighton	EMR2 Basic Ski & Tob Evaluation	Dave Petrak - dpetrak@ci.ann- arbor.mi.us	TEST/TRAIN
2010-02-14	2010-02-14	EM	Mt. Holly	EMR3 Basic Ski & Toboggan Evaluation	Mary Gaffney - skiharley@charter.net	TEST/TRAIN
2010-02-14		OH	Alpine Valley/Big Creek	TES	Troy Southwick	TEST/TRAIN
2010-02-14		WM	Pando	Toboggan Enhancement Seminar	strhoda@aol.com	TEST/TRAIN
2010-02-20	2010-02-20	NC	Ski Brule	Candidate Evaluation	Joe Matuszak 1 920 865 7608 jmt00z@aol.com	TEST/TRAIN
2010-02-20	2010-02-20	NM	TreeTops Ski Resort	NMR Section #2 Basic Evaluation	John Wallace & Chuck Thomas	TEST/TRAIN
2010-02-20	2010-02-20	NM	TreeTops Ski Area	NMR Section #3 Basic Evaluation	Ann-Mary Petroskey & Jeff Summers	TEST/TRAIN
2010-02-21	2010-02-21	NM	Boyne Mountain Resort	NMR Senior Ski & Tobogganing Proficiency Evaluation	Aren Fairchild & Mike Leach	TEST/TRAIN
2010-02-21		WM	Cannonsburg	Section II Basic Hill	Jack_Katerberg@urscorp.com	TEST/TRAIN
2010-02-27	2010-02-27	NC	Granite Peak	Sec 4 S & T Evaluation	Keith Robinson 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com	TEST/TRAIN
2010-03-07	2010-03-07	NM	Shanty Creek Ski Resort	NMR SEM Evaluation	Tena Lechtanski	TEST/TRAIN

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# Tail Rope

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