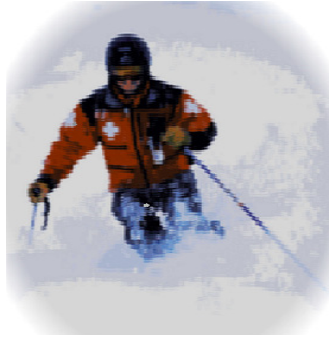




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Past Division Director's Report



Fellow Patrollers

I will begin with a big "THANK YOU" to all the Central Division (CD) Patrollers that voted in this year's National Board election. Over 16% of the organization voted in this National Election. However in the Central Division we had nearly one in every four patroller registered in this Division participate in the voting. That is a first and the best turn out we have ever had in our history. It also represented the most votes by any Division in the system. With your support you firmly put two CD patrollers on the National Board, Janet and I. I bow to you all and appreciate your taking the time out of your schedule to make this happen.

As DD, this was my last year in my final term. Per the Division Policy and Procedures, the CD Board voted in September to identify my replacement in the event I was elected to the National Board. Brian Cobble, was voted in as the CD Director. Brian is a former Southern Region Director and for the last many years has served as an Assistant Division Director. Brian is very familiar with all aspects of the Division and our programs and will do an excellent job over the next several months. As we are at the beginning of an election cycle he will hold the role until a new DD is elected this spring. Nominations are being taken for the DD role as well as the Eastern Michigan and South Central Region Director roles. Please use the CD website to submit your application if you are interested in one of these leadership roles.

Jim Woodrum
Past Division
Director

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the Division and the membership. The number of members I've met over the years has enriched my life beyond anything I ever expected. As I have travelled extensively across the division I want to thank all of you that have opened your doors and welcomed me in. It is difficult to describe how that small gesture and how warm that hospitality makes a person feels about an organization like ours. You the member is what make it all worthwhile.

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The next phase for me is that as a National Board member. This is a new role for me and I will do my best to serve in this position. I see the role as one where we are setting direction over the next 5 to 10 years. Please feel free to contact me on what you would like to see in the future of our organization. Together we can work toward that end.

Division Director's Report



Brian Cobble
Interim Division
Director

Congratulations to Jim Woodrum and Janet Glaeser! In case you have not heard, Jim was elected to his first term on the National Board and Janet was re-elected for her second term. We should all feel better knowing that two solid leaders from Central Division are helping to guide the National organization. Hopefully now, the National Board will get down to business and address the strategic issues required to insure that the NSP remains relevant and viable in the snow sports industry well into the future.

As a result of Jim's successful campaign for the National Board, he was required to resign as Division Director effective January 1, 2013. The Central Division Board, recognizing that this could happen, held a provisional election per the Central Division by-laws at the close of the Division Board meeting at Chestnut Mountain back in September. I was elected to fill the remaining 6 months of Jim's term. Because of the strength of the leadership team that we assembled, and due to the fact that I will only serve a 6 month term, it is business as usual. We will not be making any changes to the leadership team. For those of you who do not know me, this is my 33rd year as a ski patroller and I patrol at Wilmot Mountain in Southern Region. I have spent the last 21 years in a Region or Division leadership role, the last nine as one of your Assistant Division Directors. Over the years, I have been involved in all of our education programs as an instructor. Enough about me.

I would like to recognize the leadership Jim has provided Central Division for more than a decade. Jim's leadership and vision helped guide both the National organization and Central Division through the dark days of the first member lawsuit and more recently a lawsuit brought by four National Board members. Jim had the intestinal fortitude to stand up to those who would attempt to advance their own personal agendas to the detriment of the National Ski Patrol as a whole. While this was going on, Jim also built a Central Division leadership team that is second to none. Just look at the success of our Division Ski Trainer Workshops, NSP-C Ski School, and our implementation of OEC 5th Edition to name a few. The commitment and dedication of your leadership team, program supervisors and advisors is absolutely phenomenal. I am honored to have the privilege to serve with such a great group of patrollers.

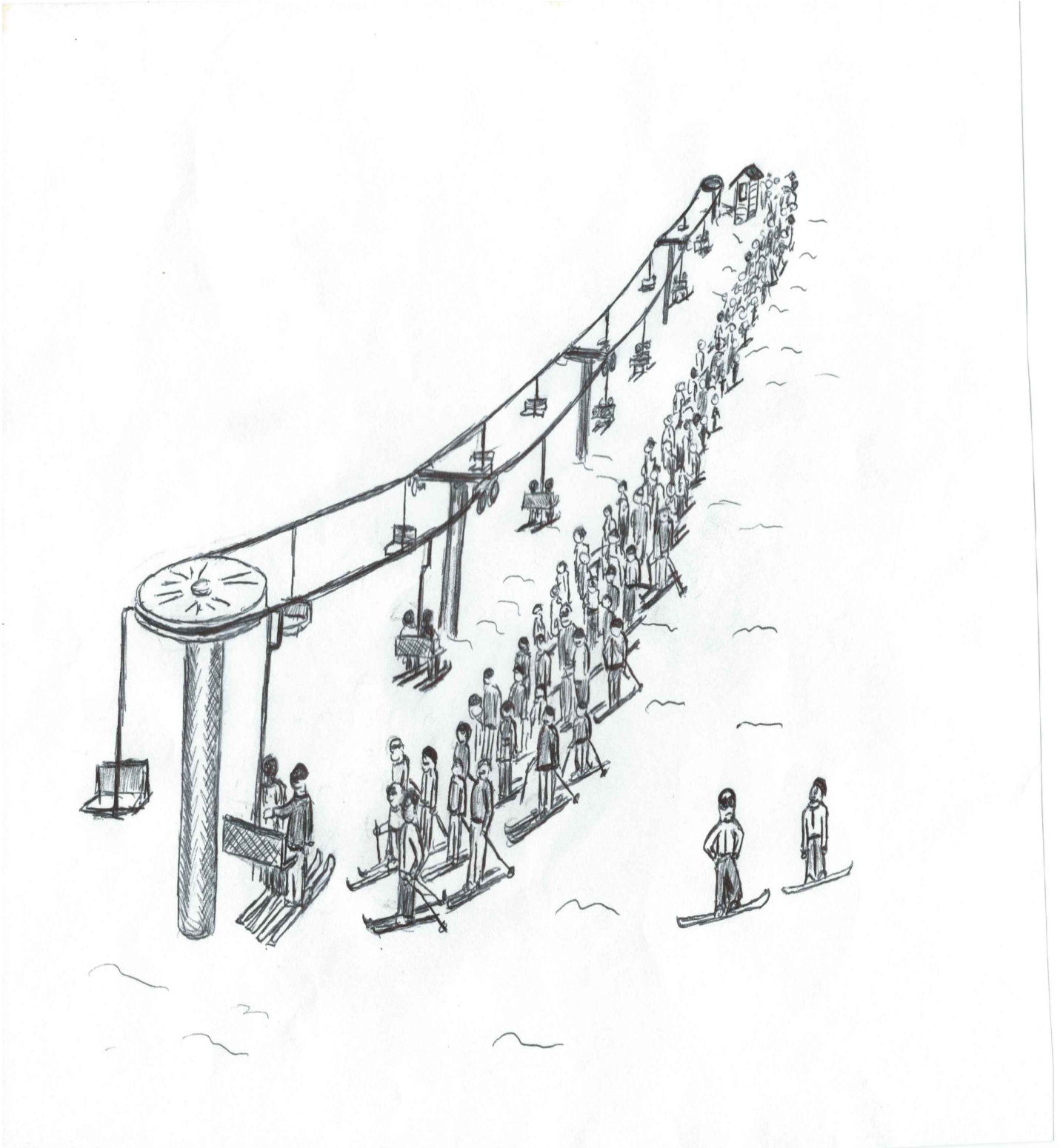
There is an election going on right now to elect our next Division Director. The election will be complete by the end of March so the new Division Director can start to get up to speed at the 2013 Spring Central Division Board meeting. What this means to the organization is opportunity. Whenever a new Division Director is elected, the entire leadership team and program supervisors and advisors resign their positions. This allows the new Division Director to build their own team. Incumbents who would like to continue in their roles, can re-apply for the position. I know for a fact however, that several of our "Old Dogs" intend to retire from their leadership positions. This is a great time for patrollers who are currently involved at the Region level to consider moving up to the Division level and patrollers involved at the Patrol level should consider moving up to the Section and/or Region level. One of the primary responsibilities of leaders of any organization is the identification and development of the next generation of leadership. If you are interested in getting involved at a higher level, please seek out your Patrol Director/Representative, Section Chief or Region Director and let them know of your interest.

By the time you receive this, the season should be in full swing. We had a very successful series of Ski Trainer Workshops back in December with over 250 participants. Many, if not most of these patrollers are involved in training. They all wanted to get a jump start so they were ready to help with all of the training classes that we have going on in January and February. If you get the opportunity, please reach out and thank all of your trainers and instructors who give countless hours so we can all achieve our NSP goals.

In our lives, from the time we are born, until we die, we are being influenced and developed. It starts with our parents and grandparents. It expands to include siblings, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. As we get older, teachers, coaches, ministers, professors, spouses and bosses add to the list. The same is true with our evolution as Ski Patrollers. Take a minute and think of all of the patrollers who have influenced your life to help you get to where you are in

the NSP. In my case, it was our First Aid Instructors, Hill Trainers, and Patrol Directors at Holiday Park who taught and encouraged me in those early years. Then it was several Region Directors in the Southern Region and their staffs that continued to help me develop. In the more recent past, everyone who has served with me at the Division level has had an influence on me. Whether we realize it or not, we are all mentoring and being mentored at the same time. For all of you who have had such a profound influence upon my life I thank you. I am blessed.

Kasten's Korner



Are You It?



Tom Anderson
ADD

A common saying in the ski patrol business is that on the first day of your new leadership position is to start looking for your replacement.

Getting involved with administration, teaching or instructing can be very rewarding. There are many reasons to step up. For me it was simply for self improvement. I feel if you have to teach it you better understand it. Helping with OEC refreshers and candidate training has certainly given me the experience and confidence when approaching a real life situation out on the slopes. Getting involved with toboggan training and then alpine ski instruction was also for self improvement. This experience has been most rewarding in being able to introduce a candidate to a toboggan and watch them progress in skill levels and proficiency.

Whether or not you do it for the self improvement or it is simply time for you to give back to the organization I know that it will be worth the effort and much appreciated. I also realize from personal experience that sometimes it takes another to be asked....expect a tap on the shoulder if you are one of those! Weather it is at the Patrol level, Region or Division there are many opportunities to get involved, are you it?

OEC Update: Division News



Karen Haden
Division OEC
Supervisor



Kathy Glynn
Division Assistant
OEC Supervisor

As we move into a new year, we look forward to the continued strengths of the OEC program. Thank you to all our Instructors and IT's who provide us with great classes and refreshers and a BIG thanks to all the patrollers in the Central Division who deliver outstanding care to our clients. Kathy Glynn's scenario committee is diligently working on new scenarios for us, both basic and senior. We will let you know as soon as the scenarios are ready for "Prime Time". Karen Hadden will be participating on the rewrite of the Outdoor First Care Manual. Stay tuned for updates.

A few reminders: all OEC final evaluations and refreshers must have an OEC IT present to be considered a valid course. This includes written, practical as well as challenge exams. The written exam (first attempt or retest) must not be given as a take-home exam. It has to be taken in the presence of an OEC Instructor. Even if the Instructor of Record is an IT, they are not allowed to QA their own class. A Basic OEC written test can be taken on-line however, there are additional costs and planning with National that occurs before this can take place. This option should only be considered as a last resort and needs coordination with your Region OEC Administrator and/or Division Supervisor.

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Congratulations to our own Central Division's Deb Endly on being named interim National OEC Program Director. Deb makes us proud. Deb, you have our complete and total support as you fulfill the role of interim National OEC Program Director.

Congratulations to Ed McNamara for being elected to a National Board position. Ed's leadership and OEC knowledge as the National OEC Program Director will be missed. His tireless work and dedication are evident every time we open our 5th edition OEC manual. We will miss him as our director, but want to offer our sincere best wishes for a bright future on the National Board. We know Ed will do an excellent job.

Good luck to all as you train and/or instruct patrollers in the Basic skills or prepare for their Senior or Certified status.

We hope to see many of you at your SrOEC evaluations.

'Tis the Season



Don Loerch
Division
Skills Develop-
ment Supervisor

Rejoice fellow snow enthusiasts, old man winter has returned to make everything white and slippery. All indicators are telling us last season's "missing winter" curse has been lifted!

The timely arrival of winter found many of us on your skills development team celebrating December in a big way with three consecutive division alpine clinics (ski/board trainer's workshops). We had the good fortune of jumping on the snow December 1st / 2nd in Dresser, Wisconsin with 94 of our patroller friends. Our second stop occurred one week later when we reconvened in Harbor Springs, Michigan on the 8th / 9th with another 113 members of our division family. We then wrapped up pre-holiday travels in Portage, Wisconsin on the 15th / 16th with another 84 of our clan. Once again, these important clinics offered a chance for nearly 300 local/region trainers and evaluators to sharpen their respective alpine skills early in the season. With a little luck, each participant took something of value away to share with their region staff or fellow patroller(s). If you missed joining us, please make a note to enroll early next season. We'll have an announcement in the fall RPN complete with session and on-line registration information.

In closing, I'd like to offer one last observation. As a whole our membership deserves affirmation. High participation levels in educational events division wide indicate that our members are second to none when it comes to the pursuit of excellence. Clearly, this motivation is what makes us some of the best the NSP has to offer. So, with the season just getting into full swing, please continue your journey to become the best you can be. While doing so, don't forget training opportunities are close at hand. Just check your region calendar for a nearby STW, SES or TES. These local events are a great way to continue sharpening your alpine skills while sharing good times with fellow patrollers.

Best wishes for a safe season...



The "human" slalom gate team 2012.

Central Division Ski School



Dan Moss
NSP-C PSIA Ski
School
Supervisor

Someone, somewhere in time, invested in you to help you arrive where you are. As a patroller and a ski or ride instructor, I suspect it's a similar story. Someone made deposits into your skill-bank account and helped you achieve your well earned credentials.

It's our challenge to continue to invest in our fellow patrollers; to make those same deposits in other people to help them along the way. I hope you will take the challenge personally, and be more intentional this year with whom you are investing in. Set some goals with them and help get them where they are going.

As an NSP-C Division Ski School Instructor, I hope that you are also holding yourself accountable to a high standard of service. Recently, the leadership team challenged themselves to the following:

- *Professional appearance: how are we presenting ourselves?
- *Customer loyalty: though most of us work for free, are we giving them value in exchange for their time?
- *Servant-hood attitude: Serve them every time, all the time, until it's break time.
- *Personal greeting: are we presenting a warm and welcoming environment to learn in?
- *Earning your right to be heard: you've heard it, "don't tell me how much you know, until you show me how much you care."
- *Problem management and solution implementation: walk our colleagues to the solutions, don't just point the way.
- *Laughing . . . at ourselves and with others: it's the best medicine, the endorphins will flow!
- *Providing kind & wise movement analysis: are you killing the fly with a sledge hammer? Or are you listening to their goals, discerning if they are teachable, and offering a prioritized solution?
- *Being grateful for spending time together: do you say thanks? It will mean the world to them.

So what's the value of your lessons? Are you a \$20 an hour instructor? Or are you laying down the \$250 lesson experience for your colleagues? We all have room to grow, that's what makes it a journey!

And thanks for paying it forward. It will pay dividends, I guarantee it!

Announcing your 2012-2013 NSP-C Division Ski School Region Advisors!

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Western	Jill Nothwehr	jillnoth@hotmail.com

We are looking forward to a fantastic year!



Toboggan Stuff



Tom Worley
Division
Toboggan
Supervisor

The 2013 ski season is up and running for nearly everyone and the snow isn't too bad. I hope your area is one of those open and having a good season.

December STW's. The December STW's went very well in spite some less than pleasant weather. Once again this year participation was terrific. The toboggan programs were of high interest. The one toboggan program that had the largest increase in participation was the Senior Toboggan Prep program. The turnout was absolutely overwhelming and by the comments made by the participants, it was well worth the time.

Tail Rope Handling Focus. The 2012-13 season will be see a toboggan handling focus a little different than in the past. Based on the Senior Test toboggan evaluations over the past few years, problems handling the tail rope accounted for the majority of failures. This year and in future years the skills associated with proper toboggan tail operation will see a much greater emphasis. The primary reason is not just the failure rate but logic as well. If the patroller on the tail of the toboggan has acquired the skills that allow him/her to properly handle the tail of

the toboggan they are almost assured of passing. The simple reason is that the tail person must have superior skills when compared to the lead patroller to properly execute the required maneuvers. Remember, the lead person had two handles to help maintain good upper/lower body separation, a chain brake to help control speed and the extra push from a toboggan to keep him/her sliding through nearly all snow conditions. The tail person has only their own skill to handle the requirements.

New Tail Rope Handling Guide Available. Thanks to the exceptional efforts of Jeff Cripps, Assistant Division Toboggan Supervisor and the assistance of several of the Division ski training staff a new toboggan tail rope handling guide has been developed. It is called Tail Roping 101. It is a well written and illustrated toboggan tail handling guide. It is available on the Division web site under toboggan programs. All that attended the Division STW toboggan programs in December received a copy via email prior to their attendance. Check with any of them or go to the Division web site and get your own copy. It is a valuable tool in learning or teaching good toboggan tail handling.



Tail Roping 101



Teaching the finer aspects of rope handling



Jeff Cripps
Central Division
November 30, 2012

Patrol Representatives Take Note. Every downhill ski area in the Central Division has at least one Toboggan IT responsible for that area's toboggan training program. This is the person that you should be contacting for additional toboggan training at your area, training of new toboggan instructors from your area or having a TES held at your area for your own patrollers. If you don't know who that person is, simply contact your Region Toboggan Supervisor and he/she can provide you the contact information. Don't accept the lack of a resident toboggan IT at your area as the reason you don't have toboggan training to the level that you want or need. If you want toboggan training assistance make the call and things will start to happen. That's if you haven't already been contacted by these toboggan IT's from your Region. You have a resource available, make it happen.

Jay Zedak named National OET Program Director; Last month Jay Zedak, Ohio Region was selected from a highly skilled group of applicants to become the National Outdoor Emergency Transportation Program Director. I am confident he will do our Toboggan (Transportation) program a great deal of good over the next few years. The next time you see Jay tell him congratulations.

Have a great season. Feel welcome to contact myself at any time if you have a question or problem that you think I can help you solve.



The Daniel Somalski Memorial Fund

Our *Central Division* is proud to announce the formation of a memorial fund honoring a very special friend and patroller. Dan, as many of us know, dedicated much of his 25 year patrol career to helping others attain their goals both on and off the slopes. As a long time "Certified" patroller #426 and a "PSIA level 3" he was a force to be reckoned with both inside and outside of the traces. It is in memory of Dan's example that his fund will sponsor an annual award to a current or aspiring NSP alpine trainer. In accordance with his family's wishes, the annual monetary award will be tailored to assist a worthy patroller in pursuit of their chosen alpine credential(s).

Please consider donating to this important fund just as many have already. By contributing you'll advance the goals of our organization and promote Dan's legacy. Visit www.nspcentral.org to donate on-line or contact dloerch@sbcglobal.net for more information.



Certified Program 2013



Mike Longfellow-Jones
Division Certified Supervisor

2013 Meeting and Evaluation

The Central Division Certified Program annual meeting and evaluation is scheduled for a joint venue with Nubs Nob and Boyne Highlands in the Northern Michigan Region, on March 7, 8, & 9, 2013.

We have four new candidates registered for this year's event, as well as fourteen returning, again one of the largest candidate years we have had in the Central Division Certified Program. Each candidate must attend a qualification clinic and demonstrate their potential to complete all of the Certified Modules in a three year window before they are accepted into the evaluation cycle, but each comes with the credentials and sponsors required to be accepted into the program. The entire Certified Staff is excited to support the addition of these hard working patrollers who aspire to be part of the Certified team.



Once again, this event promises to be one that you don't want to miss if you have any interest in the Certified Program and what we are all about.

For information regarding this event or to include in further announcements, including accommodations, please contact me at:

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Instructor Development



Virginia Rodeman
Division Instructor Development Supervisor

The National Ski Patrol Instructor Development Course is designed for the Patroller to gain the knowledge of the educational process within the National Ski Patrol System. Successful completion of the Instructor Development serves two purposes: 1. prepare potential instructors to teach the various NSP courses, and 2. serve as a Senior Elective for students working toward completion of the Senior Program. There are currently two delivery methods used for Instructor Development.

The NSP doesn't grow patrollers, it builds them. Each patroller learns his or her skills from a certified NSP instructor. These hardworking instructors are the backbone of all NSP education programs---without them there would be no patrollers. The skills learned in the NSP Instructor Development (ID) Program focus on principles of adult education that are applicable to any field. The ID course---a series of presentations, activities, and discussion opportunities is available as a one day class or via the e-course with an additional a face-to-face presentation in a classroom after the online portion is completed. Once completed the candidates move on to the Mentoring

Program individually planned program administered under the guidance of a discipline-specific advisor, who preps them for the certification as an NSP instructor. The NSP is always seeking talented instructors to deliver its OEC, OET, MTR, Avalanche, Transportation, ID, and Nordic Programs.

To learn more about instructor development opportunities, contact your region administrator or division supervisor.

Region Reports

North Central Region



Les Robinson
North Central Region Director

While we have all been doing the 'let it snow' dance, some important elections and appointments at the National level that involve current Central Division patrollers was completed. Congratulations to Janet Glaeser (2nd term), Jim Woodrum (1st term) for election to the National Board. Janet is a Ohio region patroller; Jim is a patroller from Northern Michigan and presently is Central Division Director. Thanks to all who voted in the National election. FYI we had the largest turnout in all Divisions and the largest percentage in Central Division History.

Congratulations also to Jay Zedak, Central Division Senior Supervisor and Ohio Region ARD on his appointment as National Transportation Director. We should feel very honored to have these excellent leaders as well as Darcy Hanley, National Education Director and former Central Division patroller, representing us at the National level.

With Jim moving to the national board on January 1 Brian Cobble is stepping up to fill the Division Directors role until the end of June. Brian has been an Assistant Division Director for a number of years. We also have an election for Division Director this year so nominations are under way for that currently. This year we also will be having election for section chief for section II. <http://www.nspcentral.org/election.php> Use this link for election information.

By now OEC refreshers and other season activities, including patrol registrations, lift evacs, Division STW's, etc, are complete.

Most of our patrols are into the stage of completing on the hill S&T refreshers, and yes all hills in the region are required to have a record through national to complete an on the hill refresher, so your courses need to be opened at NSP and then closed so make sure you are doing that; if help is needed contact Steve Beil our trusty region toboggan guru or an IT if you know them.

We do have many other events at the region level please look them up at the division calendar <http://www.nspcentral.org/calendar.php>

One thing I'd like to remind all patrollers is that we are to the point of the year that the awards are nearing completion to be turned in, please make sure you find patrollers to write up for awards they are all around you and what better way to recognize someone that with an award. I am also in the process of updating the region website so that it is more up to date so that will be a help to you as well.

CELEBRATE NSP 75th Anniversary

In Colorado Jan 31- through February 3
For more information about these celebrations click on the link below to the "Join us. Celebrate History"

http://www.nsp.org/About/75th_site/75th_Homepage.aspx



Bill Currier
Ohio Region
Director

Ohio Region

Winter in Ohio! I think it has arrived. With some pretty good natural snow and cold since Christmas all areas are now open. Let's hope the cold stays for awhile to give the resorts a chance to build up a good base for the season.

Two Ohio Region patrollers deserve recognition and congratulations for their recent move up to the National level. Janet Glaeser, Boston Mills/Brandywine, was elected to her 2nd term on the National Board. Jay Zedak, also Boston Mills/Brandywine, was named National Transportation Director. We are honored to have these excellent leaders, along with Darcy Hanley, National Education Director and formerly from Perfect North Slopes, representing us from the Ohio Region.

Ohio resorts in the news this season include Alpine Valley in Chesterland, Ohio, that was recently purchased by Peak Resorts, and Brandywine in Sagamore Hills, Ohio, that has a brand new base lodge. The BMW web site (<http://www.bmbw.com/new-lodge.html>) has a story and video of the destruction of the old lodge and construction of the new one. Peak resorts now owns four resorts in the Ohio Region.

Our winter activities are off to a bit of a slow start due to a warm, rainy Fall. However, a number of Ohio Region Patrollers participated in the Division S&T Clinic that was held at Boyne Highlands on Dec. 7-9. By the time you read this Region STW's will have been held at Perfect North Slopes on January 5th and 6th and at Boston Mills/Brandywine on January 12th and 13th. Also, the Region Certified Pre-Qualification and Recertification Clinic will have been held at Perfect North Slopes on Jan 5th and 6th. SES's, TES's, and other skill-enhancing events are planned during the remainder of January and February at most resorts. In February the Region Senior S&T test will be held at Boston Mills/Brandywine on February 23rd and 24th. The Region SROEC (formerly SEM) test will be held on March 3 at Boston Mills/Brandywine. We will wrap up the season with our Spring Meeting and Recognition Banquet at Mad River Mountain on April 27th. Be sure to check the Division calendar for details of these and other events.

We have a new Region Skills Development Team in place. They have revamped our ski/board and toboggan training programs to feature events designed for all skill levels. Their objective is to offer some courses outside of the Senior program in hopes of igniting interest on the part of the general membership to participate. In addition to traditional SES/SNES and TES seminars, new events this season will include PSIA/AASI credentialing development (an NSP-C Ski School clinic), Introduction to Terrain Park Maneuvers, Introduction to Mogul Skiing/Riding and an SES/SNES for women patrollers only.

I am looking forward to another great and snowy season and hope to see many of you at the various events that we have planned. Have a safe and successful 2012/2013 season

Western Region

Thanks to all of you that voted in the National Board election. Just like voting in any election is an important part of being a good citizen, voting for your National Board helps drive the NSP organization in the way the members choose. You are important and need to have your voice heard.

We began our season with the Trollhaugen STW event. The weekend started with a Friday staff calibration event at Wild Mt. and continued on Saturday and Sunday at Trollhaugen. It was a successful weekend with a lot of good comments. Mark it on your calendar to attend next seasons event.



**John "JT"
Thomas
Western Region
Director**

The Senior program this season is starting off with a calibration and training session to keep the staff on the same playing field. We are also in the second year of holding a Metro area Senior ski and toboggan training event that moves around to five different areas within ten weeks to work with the candidates to prepare them for the exam. These clinics are a great way for you to work on your skills and build more staff members. Senior OEC has been holding these types of clinics for many years and the ski and toboggan side copied it and is working on refining the process.

I hope you are thinking of your Patrol Awards submissions. Get together with your PR and help recognize the members of your Patrol and reward them for a job well done.

The NSP Safety Program has kicked off within the Region as well. If you have questions about how you can help pass the word and get involved in the program, contact Jim Andrews, our Western Region Safety contact.

I hope your season is going fantastic and you have continued with your journey to improve your Ski Patrol skills. See you on the Snow!



**Dave Johnson
Western Michigan
Region Director**

Western Michigan Region

Due to Mother Nature, we had a late start to the season again this year. Although we still are in need of snow, lower temps have allowed the areas to make snow and are now in full swing.

The Region did have a training accident this year, which resulted in a patroller being severely injured. Lets all make sure we take all the necessary safety precautions. The Alpine Senior exam will be held on Feb 24 at Crystal Mountain followed by the Region SEM on Mar. 3 at Canonsburg.

Other important activities that will be going on throughout the season include Section Chief Elections in Section II, along with awards nominations and judging. SES and TES events will be held at most Sections throughout the Region. The Region was well represented at the STW at

Boyne Highlands with 25 patrollers taking part. Thanks for the commitment and willingness to better yourself and the Region. All of our radios have been upgraded to the new narrow band as required by law. We again have a Region women's clinic scheduled. This has been well received and attended in the past. We are looking forward to another great season. Think Snow

Busy Early Season for MTR Program



**John Wachter
Division MTR
Supervisor**

We have had some wonderful courses this season already. Up in the Kickapoo valley this last spring. We had the opportunity to work with the fire dept, sheriff dept, emt, k9 unit, along with an incident command Center rv. Thank you to some good friends in western region for pulling this altogether: Sue Welch, Wrick Dunning and Tom McConville along with all those who attended and help out.

The scenario was set in the valley with a lost person that was injured and able to call in to 911. He did not know where he was but, dispatch was able to get coordinates on him from his cell phone. We thought, "this will be easy. We have a location to work with!". We set up line search with the K-9 unit leading the way and with GPS in hand. It had rained out and every thing was wet. The K-9 unit was fixated on a merging trail and the GPS was telling us some thing different. We had several gps units between the ski patrollers and the fire department. Kind of weird that we are getting three different reading on the injured persons location. We came up with a plan to make sure we had all bases covered. I will leave you guess which

group was the most accurate.

After arriving to the scene we were able to call for ems and rope gear to set a low angle rescue systems to get the person up the hill after he was stabilized. I really enjoy working with other agencies. It just brings that much more to the course. A big thank you to all the La Farge units and personnel that attended.

This last fall I had the opportunity to go to Hidden valley ski area. They hosted an mtr I course at the Greensfelder County Park. Gene walker has done some very interesting treks and had some great gear to show us which led into some great discussions on staying comfortable in all seasons. Some people brought military issued gear and it was really interesting to see the differences on weight and packability. Kent Clark brought in a great topo map that is used for aviation. He and Brett farnam were able tell us all about the map, compass and getting around in the wild. They did an excellent job of tying the map, compass and GPS together. The last exercise we did was to lay out some point on the topo maps and have them come up with the coordinates for the location. After achieving the coordinates themselves we handed them the coordinates that we had marked for comparison. Small groups were set up using the map, compass and the GPS together. They were able to see how it allegories hand in hand.

Julie stone put together a huge emergency medical pack. She explained and discussed injuries that we could come across in a backcountry search and rescue. She went through items in the emergency medical pack and what could be used to treat the injuries. Charles did a great job on the water and food section. A special thanks to Brian Rull for coordinating the instructors, location and helping us pull this all together. There is some great people in this group with a very very good wealth of knowledge to draw from. They are all working towards being instructors for MTR and I believe would be willing to host another course. Thank you every one for a great course.

I know Dave Brandon is working on getting another course set this winter, please feel free to contact him if you have any question (dave.brandon@sbcglobal.net).

One thing I can say over the years that I have met some really great people and it is always a pleasure to see them again. At this years division meeting that was held at Chestnut Mountain. I had the opportunity to go with some fellow patrollers on a kayak trip. a leisurely stroll on a shady river boulevard of the Galena River (formerly known as the Fever River), which moved hundreds of steamboats in the early 1800s. Looking closely you can see the remains of the Galena River lock and dam, and the old railroad bridge bordering the end of the Galena. This is the start of the beautiful backwaters of the Mississippi River. Just after crossing under the railroad bridge we traveled south towards chestnut mountain which sits on the Mississippi River. Just as the river really widens, (remember it is only about a football field length) before we turn into the back water slough.. Several asked me what school I had gone to because that was an awful long football field. I told them if I had told them how long it really was they might have been nervous out in the open waters. It was a great way to spend a couple afternoons out with a bunch of friends. Thanks to every one that participated and helped out.

Notice of 2013 Central Division Elections



Ken Meldahl
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Elections
Supervisor

Three elections will be held in Central Division this season. There are 2 Region Director Elections and a Division Director election. One nomination form can be used for all of the elections. The nomination form located in this RPN may be used and sent to me by January 26, 2013 or the easiest method is to go to the Central Division website, find elections and fill out the form and submit, also by January 26, 2013. In addition, Section Chief Elections for Sections 2 and 5 should also take place this season. Section Chief Elections are run by each Region with the results reported to the Division Election Coordinator. All election processes and procedures can be found in the current Central Division Policies and Procedures which can be found on the Central Division website.

REGION DIRECTOR ELECTIONS

EASTERN MICHIGAN REGION

SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

In accordance with the current Policies & Procedures of the Central Division, an election for the position of

Region Director for Eastern Michigan and South Central regions will be held in the year 2013. The Region Director serves a three year term, administers the Region according to the Region's Bylaws and Policies and Procedures and reports directly to the Central Division Director.

Qualifications:

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

Responsibilities:

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

NOMINATION PROCEDURE:

Nomination may be made by any Region active patroller in good standing or by self nomination. The nomination form can be found in this issue of the RPN or can be downloaded from the Central Division website: www.nspcentral.org. Nomination forms must be received by the Division Election Coordinator by January 26, 2013. Nominees will be sent a "Candidate Information Sheet" that must be returned by February 9, 2013. All nominees must follow "Guidelines of Conduct for Candidates" found in the current Central Division Policies & Procedures.

ELECTION PROCEDURE:

The Division Election Coordinator will verify qualifications of nominees, notify nominees of any deficiencies and collect nominee's resumes and/or position statements which will be distributed to the electorate along with voting instructions by February 15, 2013. Ballots must be returned by March 8, 2013. Tabulation of ballots by the Division Election Coordinator and validated by the Election Review Committee by March 19, 2013. Election results will be announced to the electorate and posted on the Division website by March 27, 2013.

ELECTORATE:

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

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

Each elector must be an active member of that patrol with two or more years of service in the Division. The names, addresses and email of these electors shall be made available to the Division Election Coordinator no later than January 15, 2013. Compliance shall be the responsibility of the Region Election Coordinator, or the Region Director if no Region Election Coordinator is appointed.

Or

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

Whichever population is used, the election outcome will be determined by a simple majority of the votes cast. If a tie occurs, it will be broken by the Division Director.

DIVISION DIRECTOR ELECTION

Selection of the Division Director is by an election conducted by the Central Division election Coordinator and in accordance with the Central Division Policies and Procedures the results of which are reviewed and confirmed by the Central Division Election Review Committee. The Division Director shall have the duties set forth in the NSP Policies and Procedures, provisions of the Central Division Bylaws and shall direct the day to day operations of the Central Division, maintain communications with the National Ski Patrol System, Inc., the Region Directors and the individual Registration Units of the Central Division. He shall call and conduct the meetings of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee and appoint the non-elected officers and advisors of the Central Division Staff and fill such vacancies as may from time to time occur.

Qualifications

1. Must be a registered NSP member for at least five years. Membership in an NSP registered. Professional Division patrol shall constitute NSP membership.
2. Must have served one term as Region Representative or two terms as a Section Chief, or must have served as a Region, Division, or National Program Supervisor for at least two years.
3. Must be familiar with National policies and procedures as defined in the current NSP Policies and Procedures manual.
4. Must be familiar with the Division's policies and procedures, as applicable.
5. Must be registered in the Division as a Senior (Alpine, Nordic or Auxiliary) Patroller or Certified Patroller. (*S09 P006*)

Additional recommended (but not required) qualifications:

- Should have logged at least 80 days of active patrolling (excluding refreshers, tests, etc.) with one-third of these days at a ski area(s) in the Division.
- Should have experience working with management at a ski area in the Division and should have the endorsement of an area management representative in the Division.

- Should have actively participated in National level activities.

Responsibilities

1. Supports and fosters NSP mission statement.
2. Promotes NSP education programs within the Division; supports Division staff in managing the integrity of NSP training standards; and establishes an atmosphere for the exchange of skills, ideas, proposals, techniques, and informational programs between NSP members, ski areas, NSP Registration Units, and regions.
3. Maintains accurate records at the Division levels. Develops an annual budget and presents it to the Division board of directors. Prepares an annual report and presents it at the annual Division meeting.
4. Carries out policies and responsibilities as defined in the NSP Policies and Procedures manual and the Division's bylaws.
5. Establishes and maintains relationships with other organizations related to the involvement of Central Division members including, but not limited to the annual and semi-annual meetings of the National Ski Patrol Board of Directors, PSIA, AASI and MSAA.

NOMINATION PROCEDURE:

Nominations for Division Director candidates may be made by any Central Division active patroller or by self nomination. The nomination form can be found in this issue of the RPN or can be downloaded from the Central Division website: www.nspcentral.org. Nomination forms must be received by the Division Election Coordinator by January 26, 2013. Nominees will be sent a "Candidate Information Sheet" that must be returned by February 9, 2013.

ELECTION PROCEDURE:

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

ELECTORATE:

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

One vote for each elected Region Director, Section Chief and Patrol Representative of a Registration Unit in the Division. In addition, one additional elector for patrols with 51 to 100 members, two additional electors for patrols with 101 to 150 members, and three additional electors for patrols with over 150 members. The number of members is based on the June 30th membership of the previous year. Each elector must be an active member of that patrol with two or more years of service in the Division. The names, addresses and email of these electors shall be made available to the Division Election Coordinator no later than January 15, 2013. Compliance shall be the responsibility of the Region Election Coordinator, or the Region Director if no Region Election Coordinator is appointed. **All nominees for both Region Director and Division Director elections must follow the Guidelines of Conduct for candidates.**

**National Ski Patrol Central Division
GUIDELINES OF CONDUCT FOR CANDIDATES
DIVISION OR REGION ELECTIONS**

- I. All candidates shall be held personally responsible for all actions of their chairperson, workers, committees, etc. *(F09 P003)*
 - II. For each election or run-off election, any candidate seeking the election office and those acting in behalf of the candidates are permitted a maximum of three contacts with the voters including phone conversations for the purpose of campaigning.
 - III. The candidates' campaign literature or other contacts shall be restricted to:
 - A. Introducing themselves
 - B. Announcing their platform and intentions
 - C. Enhancing their own qualifications
 - IV. No candidate, or those acting on behalf of the candidate, shall make or publish derogatory or inflammatory statements about his/her opponent's qualifications, ability, service record, or personal life.
 - V. Candidates holding a Division, Region, or Section position during the time of their candidacy shall not be permitted to do any campaigning while attending any meeting, session or any other Registration Unit activity in an official capacity or where the cost of attendance in travel or living expense is reimbursed wholly or in part by the Division, Region, Section or Registration Unit funds. Nor shall any campaigning be allowed in any communication, verbal or written, which is reimbursed by Division, Region, Section or Registration Unit funds. No Division, Region, Section or Registration Unit funds shall be used to reimburse any candidate for campaign related expenses, i.e. all campaign expenses will be paid for by the candidate. *(F09 P003)(S11 P002)*
 - VI. A copy of all campaign literature mailed or distributed by a candidate, or those acting in a candidate's behalf, and also an outline of any organized telephone campaign, shall be sent to the Election Coordinator and the Division Director.
 - VII. Failure to comply with these guidelines can result in the removal of a candidate from the election. This action will be reviewed first by the Election Coordinator, then by the Division Legal Advisor, and finally by the Division Executive Committee, excluding any members who are candidates for the office in question.
- For complete elections information, refer to the Central Division Policies and Procedures, Chapter 3**

2013 Central Division Election

Nomination Form on Page 17

2013 CENTRAL DIVISION ELECTION NOMINATION FORM

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

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

Position of:

- ☐ REGION DIRECTOR
 - ☐ EASTERN MICHIGAN REGION
 - ☐ SOUTH CENTRAL REGION
- ☐ DIVISION DIRECTOR

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

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

Or nominate on-line at www.nspcentral.org

ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN JANUARY 26, 2013

Save the Date

September 6 - 8, 2013

Central Division Fall Meeting

Preview Details



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Wausau, WI

National Ski Patrol Alumni

What is an Alumni Member?

An Alumni member is a special registration category for people who, for various reasons, no longer provide emergency care or rescue service but wish to continue their involvement with the National Ski Patrol.

The NSP Alumni members started in 1977 to maintain contact with former members and keep them informed of national events and activities. Today the Alumni Members total more than 1,900.

Why join the Alumni Members?

By joining as an Alumni Member, you can continue to be part of the largest winter rescue organization in the world. Better yet, your involvement provides you with the opportunity to support the national organization on a new level.

As an Alumni Member, you won't be required to fulfill any skill or educational requirements; however, depending on local needs and your experience, you might be asked to serve in an advisory capacity to local NSP units as an OEC instructor, for example, during annual refreshers.

Several areas in the nation have already taken advantage of their alumni's local knowledge and experience. A valued force within NSP, alumni members often attend ski patrol events, help recruit new members, provide administrative and IEC help, give safety talks, and participate in other community service activities.

Other Benefits:

Alumni Members receive:

- A subscription to *Ski Patrol Magazine*
- Access to select NSP Winter Catalog merchandise
- The opportunity to participate in NSP-sponsored events
- Dues may be tax deductible

How much does it cost?

Regular fee: Annual dues are just \$27 annually. The national organization receives \$17 and \$10 is returned to the division with which the Alumni Member is affiliated. Active patrollers who are members keep that status on becoming an Alumni Member.

Lifetime membership fee: Patrollers who wish to become an Alumni Member, as lifetime members, may do so for a one-time fee of \$700, which helps support the NSP endowment fund. They will receive a Lifetime Membership Pin and a framed Lifetime Certificate.

How does on join the Alumni Members?

Fill out the application form and mail it with the membership fee to the National Ski Patrol, 133 South Van Gordon Street, Suite 100, Lakewood, CO 80228.



National Ski Patrol Alumni Member Application Form

133 S. Van Gordon St., Suite 100, Lakewood, CO 80228

Phone 303-988-1111 Fax 303-988-3005 Email nsp@nsp.org Web site www.nsp.org

Name: _____

Address : _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

If registering as an Alumni Member please provide the registration number: _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____ Regular member Lifetime member

New Alumni Members Please Provide the Following Information:

Last NSP Affiliation: Ski Patrol: _____ Registration Number: _____

Region: _____ Division: _____ Last Year Registered: _____

Alpine Nordic NSP Appointment number : _____

If you wish to associate with a ski patrol please provide that information here: _____

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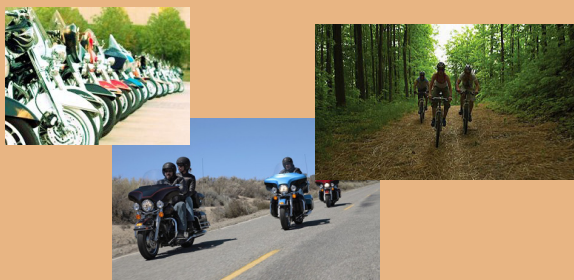
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corrections must be made on the National site.

CENTRAL DIVISION CALENDAR

Start Date	End Date	Program	Region	Location	Description	Contact
2013-01-20	2013-01-20	SENIOR	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob	Senior Ski & Toboggan Pre-Test Clinic	Mike Rhadigan - (586) 335-6996 or rhadclan@gmail.com
2013-01-20	2013-01-20	SENIOR	North Central	T/B/D	Mandatory Senior OEC Clinic	nancy@cdasc.com Nancy or Chris Dobrinski
2013-01-20	2013-01-20	CERTIFIED	Northern Michigan	Nubs Nob	Qualification and recertification clinic	rbarber@freeway.net
2013-01-26	2013-01-26	CERTIFIED	North Central	Marquette Mountain	Qualification and recertification clinic	tom@window-outfitters.com
2013-01-26	2013-01-26	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Marquette	Noque Marquette Marathon	Jim Grundstrom 906-475-7877 jimgrundstrom@freichevy.com
2013-01-26	2013-01-26	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands Resort	NMR SES & SBES (Sno-Bowl Weekend)	Jim Markey jim_markey@ameritech.net & Bob Anderson bob.anderson@permaloc.com
2013-01-26	2013-01-26	Testing/Training	Ohio	Mad River Mountain	SES/SNES	Matt Kim
2013-01-26	2013-01-26	TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Paoli Peaks	TES	Rick Jackson RickSki@Live.com
2013-01-26	2013-01-26	DEADLINES	Southern	Kmeldahl@comcast.net	Section 2 & 5 Section Chief Nominations Due	Ken Meldahl
2013-01-26	2013-01-27	OTHER EVENTS	Southern	Chestnut Mountain, IL	SES / TES	Chestnut PR
2013-01-26	2013-01-27	CERTIFIED	Western	Lutsen Mountain	Qualification and recertification clinic	aktsc@comcast.net
2013-01-26	2013-01-26	Awards	Western Michigan		Awards Due to Region	Roger Brands - rbrands@cavtel.net
2013-01-26	2013-01-26	Senior	Western Michigan	Caberfae	Senior Hill Examiner Calibration Clinic	Thomas Fisher - thfish@chartermi.net
2013-01-27	2013-01-27	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	EMR3 Basic Ski & Toboggan Evaluation	Roxanne Usewick - roxmu@sbcglobal.net
2013-01-27	0000-00-00	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands Resort	NMR TES (Sno-Bowl Weekend)	Jim Markey jim_markey@ameritech.net & Bob Anderson bob.anderson@permaloc.com
2013-01-27	2013-01-27	Testing/Training	Ohio	Snow Trails	SES/SNES	Matt Kim
2013-01-27		TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	PNS	TES	Sandi Hammons (hammons@insightbb.com)
2013-01-27	2013-01-27	CERTIFIED	Southern	Chestnut Mountain	TENTATIVE: Qualification and Certified Program Awareness Clinic (only)	Patrick@lightspc.com
2013-01-27	2013-01-27	Senior	Western Michigan	Caberfae	Senior Hill Candidate Clinic	Thomas Fisher - thfish@chartermi.net
2013-02-01	2013-02-01	SENIOR	Eastern Michigan	Mail/E-mail	Senior SEM Scenario Skill Sign-off Deadline	Rae Ann Ruddy - (248) 672-7511 or raeruddy@comcast.net
2013-02-01	2013-02-01	OEC	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR OEC SEM Clinic Paperwork Submission Deadline	NMR OEC Administrator
2013-02-01	2013-02-01	OEC	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR OEC SEM Clinic Paperwork Submission Deadline	NMR OEC Administrator
2013-02-01	2013-02-01	SENIOR	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR OEC SEM Clinic Paperwork Submission Deadline	NMR OEC Administrator
2013-02-02	2013-02-02	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Minocqua Winter Park	Wolf Track Rendezvous 42K Marathon	Betty Adams 715-588-7731 mbadams008@gmail.com
2013-02-02	2013-02-02	Testing/Training	Ohio	Paoli Peaks	SES/SNES	Matt Kim
2013-02-02		TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Snow Trails	TES	Bill Harkins (Bharkins@idealelectricco.com)
2013-02-02	2013-02-02	OEC	Western Michigan	Cannonsburg	Senior Emergency Management Clinic	Mike Fick mficksr@steelhouse.com
2013-02-03	2013-02-03	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Brighton	EMR2 Basic Ski & Toboggan Evaluation	Dave Petrak - (810) 227-8430 or dpetrak@a2gov.org
2013-02-03	2013-02-03	TESTING/TRAINING	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob	EM1 Basic Ski & Toboggan Evaluation	Jeff Jurcak - jeffandlauri@yahoo.com
2013-02-03	2013-02-03	Testing/Training	Ohio	PNS	SES/SNES	Matt Kim
2013-02-05	2013-02-05	DEADLINES	Southern	FRandall@fhtci.net	Award Nominations due	Frank Randall
2013-02-06	2013-02-06	Election	Western Michigan		Section II Section Chief Ballots Mailed	Laura Cameron - ccamelk@aol.com
2013-02-09	2013-02-09	SENIOR	Eastern Michigan	Boyne Mtn.	Senior Ski & Toboggan Evaluation	Mike Rhadigan - (586) 335-6996 or rhadclan@gmail.com
2013-02-09		TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	BMBW	TES	Tom Ciranna (234-380-1039)
2013-02-09	2013-02-09	Testing/Training	Ohio	Big Creek	SES/SNES	Matt Kim
2013-02-09	2013-02-09	TES	Western Michigan	Caberfae	Section III TES	Shawn Rhoda - strhoda@aol.com
2013-02-10	2013-02-10	OEC	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR OEC SEM Clinic	NMR OEC Administrator
2013-02-10	2013-02-10	SENIOR	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR OEC SEM Clinic	NMR OEC Administrator
2013-02-10		TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Alpine Valley	TES	Dave Puruczky (dtilemann@att.net)
2013-02-10	2013-02-10	Testing/Training	Ohio	Boston Mills	SES/SNES	Matt Kim
2013-02-13		TESTING/TRAINING	Ohio	Clear Fork	TES	Randy Beecham (randlyn@embarqmail.com)
2013-02-17	2013-02-17	MOUNTAIN TRAVEL AND RESCUE	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	MTR Level II - Class Session	Chuck White - cwhite@kettering.edu
2013-02-17	2013-02-17	AWARDS	North Central		Awards Submission Deadline	Marcia Locher rlocher@charter.net 715- 341-8934
2013-02-17	2013-02-17	Senior	Western Michigan		Section II Hill Test	Jack Katerburg - Jackkaterburg@gmail.com

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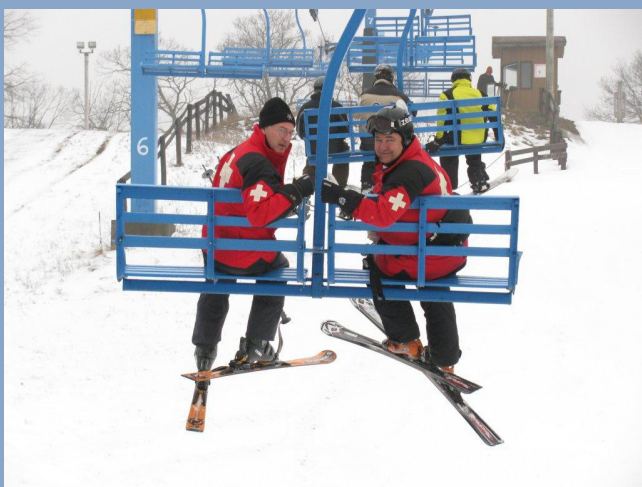
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2013-02-20	2013-02-20	DEADLINES	Northern Michigan	Toledo, OH	NMR Individual Awards Deadline (Appointments, Stars, MSA, DSA, etc.)	Virginia Rodeman rodewoman@yahoo.com
2013-02-20	2013-02-20	AWARDS	Northern Michigan	Toledo, OH	NMR Individual Awards Deadline (appointment, Stars, MSA, DSA, etc.)	Virginia Rodeman rodewoman@yahoo.com
2013-02-22	2013-02-24	NORDIC	Southern	nordjas@aol.com	American Birkebeiner	Jeff Schmidt
2013-02-23	2013-02-23	AWARDS	North Central	T/B/D	Awards Meeting at Senior Event	Marcia Locher rlocher@charter.net 715- 341-8934
2013-02-23	2013-02-23	NORDIC	North Central	Hayward, WI	Birkebeiner Marathon: Patrollers Needed	nanimm@aol.com 906-482-3833
2013-02-23	2013-02-23	SENIOR	North Central	Mont Ripley	Senior S&T eval	Keith Robinson krobins@live.com
2013-02-23	2013-02-23	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Mt. Holiday Ski Area	NMR Section #3 Basic On-Hill Proficiency Evaluation	Rod Kivell rkivell@att.net Jeff Summers jifreerides@aol.com
2013-02-23	2013-02-23	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR Section #2 Basic On-Hill Proficiency Evaluation	Peter Toundaian peter.toundaian@sbcglobal.net Chuck Thomas chuckthomas4@yahoo.com
2013-02-23	2013-02-24	SENIOR	Ohio	BMBW	Senior Test	Tom Tavenner (tom@tavgroup.net)
2013-02-23	2013-02-23	AWARDS	Southern	donjsteen@yahoo.com	Awards Meeting	Don Steen
2013-02-23	2013-02-23	SENIOR	Southern	lilychic34@hotmail.com	Senior Ski and Toboggan Evaluation at Chestnut Mountain Resort	Lauren Vaerewyck
2013-02-23	2013-02-23	Senior	Western Michigan	Crystal Mountain	Senior Bump Clinic	Thomas Fisher - thfish@chartermi.net
2013-02-24	2013-02-24	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Boyne Mountain Resort	NMR Senior On-Hill Proficiency Evaluation	Jim Markey jim_markey@ameritech.net & Bob Anderson bob.anderson@permaloc.com
2013-02-24	2013-02-24	SENIOR	Northern Michigan	Boyne Mountain Resort	NMR Senior On-Hill Proficiency Evaluation	Jim Markey jim_markey@ameritech.net & Bob Anderson bob.anderson@permaloc.com
2013-02-24	2013-02-24	CERTIFIED	Southern	Chestnut	Qualification and recertification clinic	p_perlman@hotmail.com
2013-02-24	2013-02-24	Senior	Western Michigan	Crystal Mountain	Senior Hill Exam	Thomas Fisher - thfish@chartermi.net
2013-03-01	2013-03-03	MOUNTAIN TRAVEL AND RESCUE	Eastern Michigan	Fredrick, MI	MTR Fundamentals & Level II - Field Session	Chuck White - cwhite@kettering.edu
2013-03-01	2013-03-01	DEADLINES	Eastern Michigan	E-mail	Awards Write-ups Deadline (All Patrols)	Joe Johnson - (810) 445-5090 or j@jw3.com
2013-03-01	2013-03-01	DEADLINES	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR OEC SEM Paperwork Submission Deadline	NMR OEC Administrator
2013-03-01	2013-03-01	OEC	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR OEC SEM Paperwork Submission Deadline	NMR OEC Administrator
2013-03-01	2013-03-01	SENIOR	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR OEC SEM Paperwork Deadline	NMR OEC Administrator
2013-03-01	2013-03-01	DEADLINES	Northern Michigan	Toledo, OH	NMR Outstanding Awards Submissions Deadline	Virginia Rodeman rodewoman@yahoo.com
2013-03-01	2013-03-01	AWARDS	Northern Michigan	Toledo, OH	NMR Outstanding Awards Submission Deadline	Virginia Rodeman rodewoman@yahoo.com
2013-03-02	2013-03-02	NORDIC	North Central	Minocqua Winter Park	Lakeland Loppet Ski Race	Betty Adams 715-588-7731 mbadams008@gmail.com
2013-03-02		OEC	Ohio	BMBW (BRANDYWINE)	Senior OEC Evaluator Calibration Clinic (NOTE DATE CHANGE FROM MAR 9)	Dave Baumlein (dbaumlei@insight.rr.com)
2013-03-02	2013-03-02	OEC	Southern	acfkane@aol.com	Senior Outdoor Emergency Care Evaluation at Swiss Valley MI	Amy Kane
2013-03-03	2013-03-03	SENIOR	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob	Senior Aid Room Module	Jodie Fuller - (989) 781-2962 or jf4seasons@aol.com
2013-03-03	2013-03-03	SENIOR	Eastern Michigan	Pine Knob	Senior SEM Evaluation	Rae Ann Ruddy - (248) 672-7511 or raeruddy@comcast.net
2013-03-03	2013-03-03	TESTING/TRAINING	North Central	Ski Brule	Candidate S&T Evaluation	Joe Matuszak 920-865-7608 jmt002@aol.com
2013-03-03	2013-03-03	TESTING/TRAINING	North Central	Granite Peak	Candidate S&T Evaluation	Bruce latonni bruceiattoni@mindspring.com
2013-03-03	2013-03-03	TESTING/TRAINING	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands Resort	NMR Section #1 Basic On-Hill Proficiency Evaluation	Carl Woodcock carl.woodcock@sbcglobal.net Dan Dryden drphoton@yahoo.com
2013-03-03		OEC	Ohio	BMBW (BRANDYWINE)	Senior OEC Test (NOTE DATE CHANGE FROM MAR 10)	Dave Baumlein (dbaumlei@insight.rr.com)
2013-03-03	2013-03-03	Senior	Western Michigan	Bittersweet	Senior Emergency Management Exam	Dan Goldberger - dgoldber1@gmail.com
2013-03-06	2013-02-06	Election	Western Michigan		Section II Ballots Must be Postmarked	Laura Cameron - ccamelk@aol.com
2013-03-06	2013-02-06	Election	Western Michigan		Section II Section Chief Results Announced	Laura Cameron - ccamelk@aol.com
2013-03-07	2013-03-09	CERTIFIED	Northern Michigan	Nubs Nob & Boyne Highlands, Harbor Springs, MI	Certified Evaluation and annual meeting	mjoness1@ford.com
2013-03-09	2013-03-09	NORDIC	North Central	Calumet, MI	Great Bear Chase Marathon	karenendries@hotmail.com

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2013-03-09	2013-03-09	OTHER EVENTS	North Central	Ski Brule	Ski with a Patroller / Patroller Appreciation Day	Joe Matuszak 920-865-7608 jmt00z@aol.com
2013-03-10	2013-03-10	SENIOR	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands Resort	NMR OEC SEM Evaluation	NMR OEC Administrator
2013-03-10	2013-03-10	AWARDS	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR Awards Committee Meeting	Virginia Rodeman rodewoman@yahoo.com
2013-03-10	2013-03-10	MEETING	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR Awards Committee Meeting	Virginia Rodeman rodewoman@yahoo.com
2013-03-10	2013-03-10	MEETING	Northern Michigan	TBD	NMR OPS Committee Meeting	Dick Jacques rjacques@ameritech.net
2013-03-10	2013-03-10	OEC	Northern Michigan	Boyne Highlands Resort	NMR OEC SEM Evaluation	NMR OEC Administrator
2013-03-13	2013-03-13	AWARDS	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	Awards Review Meeting	Joe Johnson - (810) 445-5090 or jj@iwj3.com
2013-03-13	2013-03-13	Meeting	Western Michigan	Branns	Region Meeting	Dave Johnson - jtwins@att.net
2013-03-14	2013-03-14	DEADLINES	Northern Michigan	Royal Oak, MI	NMR Spring Newsletter Article Deadline	Candy Jacques NMRNewsletter@aol.com
2013-03-23	2013-03-23	MOUNTAIN TRAVEL AND RESCUE	Eastern Michigan	Mt. Holly	MTR Level I - Class Session	Chuck White - cwhite@kettering.edu
2013-03-23	2013-03-23	SENIOR	North Central	Minocqua Winter Park	Senior SEM Eval	nancy@cdasc.com Nancy or Chris Dobrinski
2013-04-01	2013-04-01	DEADLINES	Eastern Michigan	E-mail	Expense Report Deadline	Sharon Hazen - rhazen@comcast.net
2013-04-01	2013-04-01	DEADLINES	Eastern Michigan	E-mail	Administrator Report Deadline	Derek Werner - (248) 342-1970 or derek.werner@usa.net
2013-04-19	2013-04-21	MEETING	North Central	Waters of Minocqua	Spring Meeting and Awards Banquet	Les Robinson 715-325-3025 lrobbins@wctc.net
2013-04-20	2013-04-21	MOUNTAIN TRAVEL AND RESCUE	Eastern Michigan	Independence Oaks	MTR Fundamentals & Level I - Field Session	Chuck White - cwhite@kettering.edu
2013-04-27		MEETING	Ohio	Mad River Mtn	Spring Meeting & Banquet (date to be confirmed)	Bill Currier (curriewd@gmail.com)
2013-05-02	2013-05-02	MEETING	Eastern Michigan	Genesys Conv. Center	Spring Meeting (Patrollers Welcome)	Derek Werner - (248) 342-1970 or derek.werner@usa.net
2013-05-04	2013-05-04	AWARDS	Northern Michigan	Cedar River Hotel - Bellaire, MI	NMR Awards Banquet	Virginia Rodeman rodewoman@yahoo.com
2013-05-04	2013-05-04	BANQUET	Northern Michigan	Cedar River Hotel - Bellaire, MI	NMR Awards Banquet	Virginia Rodeman rodewoman@yahoo.com
2013-05-04	2013-05-04	MEETING	Northern Michigan	Cedar River Hotel - Bellaire, MI	NMR Spring Board of Directors Meeting	Dick Jacques rjacques@ameritech.net
2013-05-04	2013-05-04	BANQUET	Southern	hvac82@hotmail.com	Annual Region Awards Meeting and Banquet Section 5 Hosts Des Moines, IA	Jerry Massengale
2013-05-04	2013-05-04	Banquet	Western Michigan	TBD	Region Meeting and Awards Banquet	Jack Katerburg - Jackkaterburg@gmail.com
2013-05-11	0000-00-00	BANQUET	Eastern Michigan	EMR1	Awards Banquet	Jeff Jurcak - jeffandlauri@yahoo.com
2013-09-22		MEETING	Ohio	Liberty Township Fire Hall	Region Fall Meeting (date to be confirmed)	Bill Currier (curriewd@gmail.com)

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