

Sweep NEWSLETTER



Winter

2009-2010



REGION DIRECTOR'S NOTE Thom Rabaglia

Another season is about to start and this is my last as your Region Director. Please consider who will do a good job as R D in the future and nominate that person.

I have been asked many times about the difference between being an EMT and a patroller. Most of the cases I see on EMS are medical emergencies, on patrol we see trauma. Person to person I would stack a patroller against an EMT any time in a trauma scenario. People become EMT's for a verity of reasons, we become patrollers because of our love for the sport. The common thread that we all share is our love of sliding on snow. Regardless if it is on one plank or two, if the planks are real long and straight or short with a lot of curvature, we love to slide. The vast vast majority of the customers at our hills never see the inside of our aid room. We are, and so are they, thankful that we do not have to display our OEC skills that often.

What they do see is how we dress and how we ski/ride.

We are members of a very proud organization with a storied history. We should be proud of the uniform, regardless if it is red, red and black, or rust and blue. Our uniform is a reflection of the care we give. What the public does most often see is our proficiency sliding down the hill. We should take every chance we can to improve that skill. I can hear it now; "I've been on the Patrol 20 years, I know how to ski." Every patrol should work with their Snow Sport School to schedule dates when an instructor can work with their patrollers to make us better.

Recently we all spend a whole day refreshing our OEC skills. We also spend a couple of hours refreshing CPR. We spend a couple of hours every season refreshing our chair evacuation procedures. We also will be spending a couple of hours refreshing our toboggan handling. All of which we do because we have to, to remain active as patrollers. Why is it so hard to spend a couple of hours under the eye of a ski or board instructor? We all should be demanding that opportunity. At little or no cost to us our hill's PSIA/AASI instructors would be happy to work with patrollers to enhance their abilities. If your local Snow Sport School is unable or unwilling to give you the

time, let your Section Chief, one of the Assistant RD's or me know. We can have one of our PSIA/AASI leveled patrollers work with you.

At recent meetings of the National Ski Area owners Association (NSAA) and the Midwest Ski Area owners Association (MSAA) the message was clear, area owners want us to look good. Helmets are optional, but we should be setting a good example to the public. We should also be the most proficient skiers/riders on the hill. Please take this to heart.

C U all soon
Thom



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From the Insurance desk.....

I've said it before, sounding like a Goldie Oldie. Make sure your personal insurance covers your "volunteer" activities, all of them. Get your insurance agent, preferably company, to put in writing that you are covered.

And, because of the recent appearance of release forms, please, please read them before you sign any of them. It may, contrary to some comments, prevent you from seeking or recovering damages done to you by irresponsible other people. Seek legal advice on this. I am not an attorney.

Jim Stein - Ins. Advisor

Senior Alpine

For those of you wishing to give Senior a shot this season, the application for the Senior Alpine portion of the program is included in this SWEEP. The clinic will be on January 9th and 10th and the evaluation will be on February 13th, all events being held at Tyrol Basin. The application is due by December 20th and requires your Patrol Reps signature.

Hope to see you there!
Steve Loukin

Telemark Enhancement

Does your patrol or neighboring patrols have a group of "pin-trollers" who'd like to step their telemarking up a notch and have a fun day on the slopes. If so, please consider scheduling a Telemark Enhancement Seminar at your hill. These NSP Ski Enhancement Seminars will include a 4 to 6 hr clinic with video analysis. Seminars can be tailored towards novice telemarkers, getting the feel for their newly free'd heels, all the way to advanced telemarkers

wanting to work on their bump crud and steep telemarking techniques. All participants must be NSP members and have modern telemark equipment, including at least moderately shaped skis. If you have between 3 and 8 participants and would be interested in setting up a seminar at your hill, please contact me by email (shloukin@tds.net) or by phone @ (608) 669-5257.

Hope to see you on the hill this year!

Steve Loukin,
Tyrol Basin Ski Patrol
PSIA level 2, telemark
South Central Region Associate
Ski Proficiency Advisor

Senior Emergency Management

It's that time of year again. It's time to tune up the skis, check over your buttpack, and get ready for another great season. And it's also time to think about joining the Senior program! If you're ready for a new challenge, want to push your skills or learn new ones, then it may be the right time for you to start training to become a Senior Patroller.

Being part of the Senior program, and especially SEM is very exciting for me. It's a great opportunity for patrollers to advance and develop their skills, so that you can provide the best possible care for injured patrons of our ski areas. It's also a great chance to work with some very talented and fun patrollers who make these events happen. I think the Senior program has a lot to offer, and I hope that if you haven't given it a try before that you think about if this could be the year that you give it a try. On a quick aside, I'd like to say thanks to everyone that helps make these events happen each year. I can't say enough about the ITs and other Senior patrollers that come back every year to do these events. They are a great group of people that put in a lot of extra work for these events, and we couldn't do it without

them.

For those that have been at an SEM event before, we are modifying the testing format a bit this year. I saw a slightly different format used in Southern Region, and after talking with the other ITs, we have decided to adopt it in SC Region as well. It should lead to a smoother and hopefully even better experience for both the Senior Candidates and the many helpers and evaluators that help to make these events happen.

To participate in SEM, you must be able to attend both the clinic and the eval. The clinic will be held on Saturday, January 16 at Ausblick. The eval will be held on Saturday, February 20 at Alpine Valley. There is a small application form that needs to be filled out and send in to me. You can download it from the region website (<http://www.nsp-southcentral.org/>), it's under Library and is towards the bottom of the page "Senior Emergency Care Management Application". This form needs to be signed by your Patrol Director. Applications are due by Dec 23, 2009.

If you aren't sure if you're ready for SEM or just want to find out more about it before committing to the program, one great way to do it is to volunteer to help at the clinic and eval as a patient. We can almost always use more help, and working as a patient gives you a great chance to see firsthand what the expectations are, to see Senior Candidates perform, and to talk with evaluators about what they are looking for in a successful Senior Candidate. If you already are a Senior Patroller and would like to help, we could use you too!

If you have any questions about the SEM program, please feel free to email me (erdmann@wisc.edu). Thanks! Think Snow!

Jason Erdmann
SC Region OEC Administrator



SENIOR ALPINE CANDIDATE APPLICATION
South Central Region
Tyrol Basin , January 9th, 10th & February 13th, 2010

Please note that this application is for Senior Candidate status and/or for application to take the Senior Alpine Evaluation. Participation in the Senior Emergency Management evaluation requires a separate application.

Please fill out application and send with \$30 check made out to NSP-South Central Region by Dec. 30th to:

Stephen Loukin
 6100 Old Settlers Rd.
 Mazomanie, WI 53560
 (608) 669-5257

Name _____ NSP# _____
 Address _____ Patrol _____
 _____ Region _____
 _____ Phone (days) _____
 email _____ Phone (eves) _____

Have you previously applied for Senior Alpine Evaluation? _____ Year _____

Have you passed Senior Emergency Management? _____ Year _____

List any fulfilled Senior electives with dates (see list below):

Discipline (check one): Alpine Skiing ___ Alpine Snowboard ___ Telemark ___

Candidate Signature _____ Date _____

The signature below certifies that the above-named candidate has sufficient knowledge, skills, and experience to participate in the Senior Alpine Program. This includes the ability to confidently ski and practice running loaded toboggans down expert moguled terrain.

Patrol Director (Signature) _____ Date _____

Approved Senior Elective List

1. Education Courses: a. Instructor Development course (formerly Phase I), b. Mountain Travel and Rescue Fundamentals course or Mountain Travel and Rescue course, c. Mountain Travel and Rescue 2 course, d. Avalanche Fundamentals and Rescue or Level I Avalanche course e. Level II Avalanche course f. Powderfall, g. National Avalanche School didactic sessions, h. National Avalanche School field sessions, i. Skiing Enhancement Seminar, j. Ski Trainer's Workshop, k. Toboggan Enhancement Seminar, l. Mountain and Avalanche Awareness course, m. OEC Enhancement Seminar (two modules equal one Senior elective)
2. Leadership Courses: a. Patroller Enrichment Seminar, b. NSP leadership module, course, or equivalent course approved by the NSP board of directors, c. NSP instructor status (any discipline), d. NSP instructor trainer appointment (any discipline), e. Professional Ski Instructors of America (PSIA) Certified Level II, f. PSIA Certified Level III, g. BLS CPR instructor or instructor trainer certification (American Heart Association, American Red Cross, National Safety Council, American Safety and Health Institute, or Medic First Aid), h. AED Instructor Course (AHA, ARC, NSC, ASHI, or Medic First Aid)

SC Region 2009-2010 Event Calendar
(Revision Date: 8-17-2009)

2010

Date	Event	Location	Contact
Jan. 9&10	Senior On-Hill Clinic	Tyrol Basin	Peggy Butler
Jan. 16	Senior SEM	TBA	Jason Erdmann
Jan. 30	SNES (snowboard)	TBA	Mark Harring
Feb. 6&7	MTR 1 Field	Bluemound State Park Mt. Horeb, WI	Tim Troutt
Feb. 13	Senior On-Hill Eval	Tyrol Basin	Peggy Butler
Feb. 20	Senior SEM Eval	Alpine Valley	Jason Erdmann
Mar. 12-14	MTR 2 Field	TBA	Tim Troutt

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Region Director Qualifications 2010 Election

Qualifications: (F04-005)

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 currently registered in the Region as a Senior Patroller in any discipline.

Additional recommended (but not required) qualifications:

- Should have logged at least 80 days of active patrolling (excluding refreshers, tests, etc.) with one? 1/3 of these days at a ski area(s) in the Region.
- Should have experience working with management at a ski area in the Region and should have the endorsement of an area management representative in the Region.
- Should have actively participated in managing National, Division or Region level activities.

Responsibilities: (F04-005)

1. Serves a term in accordance with Division By-laws.
2. Supports and fosters the NSP Mission Statement
3. Promotes and supports all NSP education programs within the Region to maintain the integrity of NSP training standards.
4. 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.
5. Responsible for all aspects of the NSP programs and activities supported by the Region.
6. Promotes the financial support of the NSP and its programs.
7. Visits all areas within the Region during his or her term of office.
8. Submits an annual report to the Division Board of Directors.
9. Is responsible for communicating National and Division policies to sections and to NSP registration units (patrols), and is responsible for communicating NSP Registration unit concerns to the Division Director and/or Division Supervisors.
10. Writes articles and reports for the Division Newsletter.
11. Ensures that all sections and NSP Registration Units submit annual reports and financial reports in a timely manner.
12. Recommends individuals to the Division Program Supervisors, and in consensus with them, appoints individuals to serve as Region Program Administrators.
13. Monitors the performance and effectiveness of Region Program Administrators and recommends changes in concert with the Division Program Supervisor when appropriate.

2010 SECTION CHIEF ELECTIONS OF SECTION II NATIONAL SKI PATROL SYSTEM Central Division - South Central Region

The South Central Region of the Central Division will hold an election in the spring of 2010 to elect the Section Chief of Section II. These elections will be conducted on the **one patroller = one vote system**. Only patrollers registered in this section are eligible to run or vote for these positions.

Qualifications for Section Chief

1. Must be a registered NSP member in the section.
2. Must have been a patrol director for at least one year or a registered MSP member for at least five years.
3. Must be familiar with the national policies and procedures defined in the current **NSP Officer's Handbook** and the **Ski Patroller's Manual**.
4. Must be familiar with Division, Region and Section policies and procedures.
2. Promotes the financial support of the national organization.
3. Cooperates with the Region Director and the other NSP officers in maintaining the rules, regulations, and standards of the NSP.
4. Submits timely annual financial and administrative reports to the Region Director.
5. Facilitates communication to and from the Region Director, Patrols, and Patroller.
6. Authors articles and reports for Region/Section newsletters.

The following lists the minimum advisements (not mandatory) eligibility recommendations for Section Chief candidates.

- *should have served as a ski patrol director for at least one year*
- *should have logged at least 45 days of active patrolling (excluding refreshers, test, etc.) with 1/3 of those days at ski areas in the section*
- *should have experienced working with management at an area in the section*
- *should have participated in region administrative activities (e.g. attended region meetings, helped administer region testing training activities)*
- *recommended senior status be attained*

Duties and Responsibilities

1. Section Chief for Section II serves a 3 year term.

7. In responsible for any other duties designated by the Division/Board of Directors.

Nomination Procedure

Any active patroller (in good standing) may make a nomination or self-nomination. Simply fill out the Nomination Form found in this issue and send it to the Region Election Coordinator. ***The form must be mailed no later than January 16, 2010.***

Election Procedure

The Region Election Coordinator verifies and notifies all candidates. Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by March 16, 2010. Ballots must be returned by April 17, 2004. Results will be announce May 2010.

Electorate

The electorate, having one vote each, consists of all registered patrollers in the respective section (II) as of December 31, 2003.

VOTE!

NSP CENTRAL DIVISION

2010 SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION CHIEF OF SECTION II

Nomination Form

For the office of Section Chief in Section II, I hereby nominate:

_____ of the _____
(name) (patrol, city, state, phone no.)

Signed _____ Date _____

Print Name of Candidate _____

Address _____

Mail to: Debbie Hunt
Region Election Coordinators
N6586 Bowers Road
Elkhorn, WI 53121

This form is to be used for all nominations and self nominations.

ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN JANUARY 16, 2010!

**NATIONAL SKI PATROL CENTRAL DIVISION
CANDIDATE NOMINATION SHEET
South Central Region**

Name _____

Address _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I nominate the above candidate for Region Director of NSP
Central Division,

South Central Region.

Name: _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Nominee's Patrol _____

Mail to: Debbie Hunt N6586 Bowers Road Elkhorn, WI 53121

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