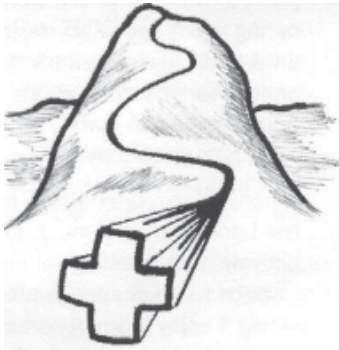


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Newsletter of the North Central Region



National Ski Patrol



Think Snow Then Think Spring Awards Banquet

Region Director's Report

Think Spring Banquet.

The winter has been wonderful for all of us this year with great snow and great skiing for everyone in the Region. This year Central Division went electronic with the registration process. The benefit to you the patroller is that your cards arrived on time. The heroes were your PRs. They had to endure a new process and tune up their computer skills. Thank them when you see them as they all did a great job. Next year National will be going with all electronic registration. We in north Central should see no changes from this year and will be ahead of other Divisions next year.

December 20 and 21 North Central Region hosted the Division S&T Clinic at Granite Peak. Even though this event was very close to Christmas it was well attended with instructors and evaluators from our region. They all had opportunity to get the latest info on skiing and to-

bogganing. Thank You Granite Peak and patrol for hosting this event.

On January 17th and 18th North Central Region had an S & T clinic and SEM at Brule for our ski and toboggan instructors, Senior, Basic and candidate patrollers: the famous BEST TRAINING EVENT EVER. Everyone who participated had many opportunities to improve their skiing, tobogganing and OEC skills.

Thanks goes out to Jim Grundstom and team who put together an outstanding S&T event on Saturday and Gregory Kerwin and team who put together an outstanding OEC event on Sunday. Thanks also to Ski Brule's patrol and the hospitality of the Polich

family, owners of Ski Brule. Their continued support makes a difference and allows this event to be successful each year.

Feb 21-22 is the Senior evaluation weekend at Granite Peak Good Luck to all candidates.

The Region awards' meeting is set for Feb 28th at Granite Peak. You still have some time to get awards in to Marcia Locher.

The Region has openings for the following positions: **OEC Administrator, SEM Administrator, Instructor Development Administrator, Senior Ski Administrator and Avalanche Administrator.** Training/mentoring will be provided for qualified candidates. Contact Carolyn DeJongh or me.

No Johnny Depp what will we do? We will have on outstanding spring award banquet and meeting. Section 4 will be host

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David Dahl
Region Director

The North Central Region Central Division

Trained through the NSP and serving the Skiing and Boarding Public via our Local Hills, Trails and Resorts

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Tim's Traverse By Tim Zimmerman, editor

It is technology that allows someone like me with questionable coordination and only minor athletic ability to not only patrol but also teach others how to ski. Shaped skis, high tech bindings, synthetic base, mid and outer layers, multi-density boot shells, custom fitted boot liners and graphite poles combine to give me the sense that I know what I am doing on the snow. Most of the time anyway.

Technology allows me to put this electronic newsletter together without the cutting and pasting of type set on to large master boards as was the process back when I edited my college newspaper. The tasks that took hours, often over night in order to meet press deadlines, now is accomplished with a point and click of the mouse in a matter of minutes. If the

type does not fit, a simple click here and drop down menu there fixes the problem. No need to reset type and reheat the glue guns.

Yes, technology is amazing. In fact at one moment I can be helping my daughter with her latest math assignment via cell phone and in the next respond to a radio call for assistance at the other end of my local ski area via radio waves that have been repeated through electronic technology right into my ear.

It all works together: the ski technology, cellular phone technology and even computer technology. That is until the 6 button on my



cell phone quits working. At that moment I fail to retrieve my daughter's message for assistance with her math assignment. I drop my patrol radio into the snow while attempting

to get the damn 6 button to operate so that I can open my voice mail. That's correct; there is a six in the password I use for all four digit passwords including my voice mail. And now it will not work.

the headwall. Either way, I do my best to avoid it now.

Meanwhile the messages continue to pile up on my phone. Work, home, work, work, home, customer, work, unknown caller... I can see the missed calls and messages but can do nothing about it. Every once in a while the phone teases me by typing out two or three sixes when I press the 6 button. All this does is give me the false hope that if I keep trying eventually just one six will display; I will retrieve the messages and stay in tune with my little corner of the world.

What I do not realize is that my phone has a security feature that locks out all access to voice mail if too many errant attempts are made to retrieve messages. It takes me less time to learn of this feature than it does to retrieve my radio from the snow.

Fortunately the call for assistance missed because the radio is in the snow is not an emergency. Someone's high tech binding technology has failed and they need assistance to the bottom of the hill. Years ago I quit using the latest in snow travel technology when it rolled me half way down the head wall. Or, perhaps more accurately, I rolled the snowmobile half way down

When my patrol shift finally ends and the evening decompression session at the local watering hole is history I make my way home and pull out the manual that came with my cell phone. It directs me to a web site where I can reset my password and

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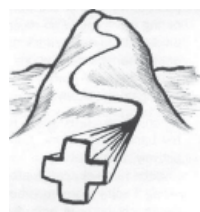
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Section One Report by Jim Meunier

Ski season arrived early or at least on time this year! We had good snowmaking conditions and plenty of natural snow to help get the ski season off to a great start. Ski areas in the section opened on schedule and had very good skiing conditions over the holidays! The ski areas were all busy over the holidays, but total numbers seem to be down a little in our area this year. Perhaps a combination of tough economic times and good snow con-

ditions elsewhere this year, has resulted in fewer traveling up to Big Snow Country.

The biggest change this year is that Blackjack did not open. After the deal with Indianhead owners fell through in late fall, due to the litigation involving the sale of Big Powderhorn, the owners of Blackjack decided not to operate the area this ski season. This of course had a major impact on the Blackjack pa-

trollers who needed to find a new home area to patrol. About half of the Blackjack patrol requested and was granted secondary status on the Indianhead patrol. The balance of the patrol has been signing on at other areas, mostly at Big Powderhorn.

From the reports I have heard, these patrollers have been a welcome addition and are enjoying their

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Jim Meunier
Section One Chief

Section Two Report by Erick Jensen

Lots of snow so far this year, and lots of activity in section II. Several great clinics were held at Granite Peak and at Ski Brule this season. Thanks to Kerry Hanson, Pete Holdridge, and Jim Grundstrom and all the hill trainers who have helped make these events the great training that they are.

If you were there, you know how good they were. If you were not, mark your calendars for them next year.

We have 17 new patrollers enrolled in on-hill training at Marquette Mountain, Mont Ripley and Ski Brule. I am looking forward to welcoming these people and skiing with them as patrollers.

If your area isn't already doing so, now is the time to start actively recruiting patrol candidates for next year. Ski Brule is planning on having an OEC class starting in April in the Appleton – Green Bay

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Erick Jensen
Section Two Chief

Section Three Report by Martin Olson

To the new members of the NSP, welcome aboard. Good luck to all of you pursuing the next level of training. Candidates/Auxiliary patrollers with your hill training. Senior and Certified candidates with your OEC and Toboggan/Ski training. Also to each of you pursuing additional skills and/or instructor development programs. It is good to refresh and hone your

ski, toboggan and OEC skills constantly.

To date I have skied at my home hill of Pine several days and have visited Navarino Slopes. Navarino has a new hill manager. Snow conditions are great and the number of skiers/boarders/tubers continues to be strong. If you can spare a shift to help out

with patrol coverage both Mike (PR) and Tom (hill manager) would greatly appreciate it. Your compensation is a good meal. Check out their web site, NavarinoSlopes.com for hours of operation. The hill is only open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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Martin Olson
Section Three Chief

Section Four Report by Keith Robinson

Burrrrr it's been quite the cold winter thus far, but it should start warming up very soon. The plus side to this winter is that the snow has been better than normal. All the hills in the Section had a good opening this year. Section IV had a great fall refresher this year thanks to the many instructors that helped out! Granite Peak hosted a Division Clinic in mid December once again this year.

Saturday was a great day with nice weather. Sunday turned to a bitter cold with many groups taking breaks throughout the day to warm up.

Patrollers are busy training new candidates while others are working on Senior training or just improving their skills. These events will start winding down now with evaluations just around the corner. We

wish all those participating in these events the best. Remember to keep it a fun relaxed learning experience.

It is Section IV's turn once again to host the Spring Banquet. We hope to have a good event with many training opportunities to choose from. Seniors needing electives, there is a good number of courses to pick from this year. We

will be having JR come and expand on what was presented at the Fall refresher on rescue adaptive skiers. Also, if anyone would like to volunteer to help out at the refresher that would be greatly appreciated. Thanks to the many that have already responded to requests to help out. We will need more help for all the details that go along with hosting an event like this.

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new homes. A big THANK YOU is in order for Walt Hess, Earl Halverson and the other patrol reps who have welcomed Blackjack patrollers.

I have heard that separate

prospective buyers for both Blackjack and Big Powderhorn are in the process of trying to purchase the respective ski areas. So hopefully, we will have all of our areas open once again next ski season.

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I attended the Regional TES clinic at Brule. The following weekend I visited to Norway. I also plan to make a visit to Gladstone.

I realize that it may seem early, but start thinking about the Spring banquet in Minoqua. Award nomination need to be in soon. I hope you can nominate someone for their special contributions to your patrol or to the NSP. Make your reservation now for the banquet and get the discounted room rate. The Waters offers an in-door

water park and game room for the family. If the weather holds out like last year, ice fishing will be a possibility. As in the past, there will be several good opportunities to pick up some educational classes. The board meeting is open to all patrollers. Watch for registration forms for this event.

Another good reason to attend the Spring Banquet is that Section #3 host the banquet next year, spring of 2010. I will be needing volunteers to help organize,

set up, and register participants for this event. The success of the banquet depends on your participation. Door prizes are always appreciated. If you know of a business, event or an organization that would contribute a door prize for the 2010 banquet, please pursue this.

Today's tip: Document all facts and observations on your incident reports. In the person's own words, should be in the first person tense. **I** did, not **HE**

did. The reactions, mental status and activities of the injured guest after you completed your care are worth noting. Also the mental status of children or spouse of an injured adult can be a factor in a law suit. How you complete this form is very critical. Check all spaces on the form to indicate that you did not skip over any areas of the form. You are a representative for your ski area.

Remember 'Scene Safety' should be your number one priority.

NC Region Spring Meeting and Banquet

April 17 -19
The Waters of Minocqua
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Nordic Notes By Betty Adams, Region Nordic Administrator

On Saturday, January 10 eleven Central Division patrollers from Minnesota, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin gathered at Minocqua Winter Park under beautiful sunshine. We started with classic techniques and three alpine patrollers achieved Nordic basic status. In the afternoon we practiced skating techniques with four senior

candidates. At the end of the day we constructed two improvised toboggans under a huge full moon. After one perfect day we had a second one on Sunday refining both classic and skate techniques with Dan Clausen. We enjoyed a few flurries with little wind. On Monday the bitter cold held off one more day so we could enjoy a

telemark clinic at Indianhead with Dan Clausen. In one day he had some never-ever telemarkers and some rank beginners doing telemark turns. The experts got some good pointers and the opportunity to ski with a new version of the Norwegian lurk provided by Bob Moe. We all enjoyed excellent conditions which included some new snow.



Betty Adams
Region Nordic
Administrator

Kasten's Korner



Awards By Marcia Locher, Region Awards Administrator

The information and templates that you will need to complete this application can be found in Section 10.7 of Central Division Awards Manual. This can be downloaded from the region/division website. Information and applications can be found on the National website also.

I will try to highlight some information in this article that will help you avoid mistakes and submit a great application.

*Font size can be no smaller than 9-point New Roman font.

*You MUST use the current years forms.

*Please - no she/he if it is a female patroller use "she", if a male use "he". We are no longer required to use the generic "they."

*No information dating back more than 4 years, including the current season shall be written on the application. Including office positions.

* It is imperative that all sections on this nomination not refer to a specific name of a person, place, or thing to ensure fairness in the selection process. Failure to comply will result in rejection of the nomination. The cover sheet of the application is removed during the judging process.

* The Outstanding awards are given at the region level. Those winners are sent on to the division level. The Division winners are sent on to National.

The first runner up at National receives a Silver Merit Star. The winner receives a Gold Merit star.

* You may submit electronic forms to me to review. I do need hard SIGNED copies of the applications to send on to division.

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ing the NC Region award banquet and meeting April 17-19 at the Waters of Minocqua. See registration form on page 9 for a list-

ing of events. This is a great way to end your ski season with a variety of educational opportunities, sharing of your skiing sto-

ries and camaraderie of fellow patrollers. The rest of your family can enjoy the Water Park or shopping in the many quaint shops of

Minocqua. Until then think snow,

David C Dahl
NC Region Director

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gain access to my voice mail.

I dig out my lap top from the car. It was fitted, just before I left work for the day, with new dual USB 2 ports that promise to speed access to all the files I need to create the very newsletter you are now reading. I think about how lucky I am to be able to reset my cellular voice mail at midnight with out the need for a customer

service person half way around the world. Tomorrow as I start work on the newsletter I will put it together faster than ever. Isn't technology grand?

It seems as though I get lost in my thoughts as I wait for the computer to power up. Then a funny high-pitched beep brings me back to reality as the message "Initiating Dump of Physical Memory" scrolls across the blue

screen now displayed on my lap top. Evidently something went wrong when the USB ports were installed and my computer does not like it at all.

I experienced the "blue screen of death" one other time. It was painful. Recovery was incomplete and very time consuming.

Therefore I calculate my odds and decide technology and this

evening are not meant to be. So I heat up the wax iron and apply a new coat of paraffin to the bottom of my skis. The melting wax and post midnight hour remind me of those late nights laying up the next edition of the newspaper with hot glue guns back in my college days. I crack open a beer, just to make it seem more realistic and opt to live the rest of this evening in a decidedly non-technological manner.

Alpine Approaches By Jim Grundstrom, ARD Alpine Training

Patrollers who attended the Ski Brule event again participated in a multi-subject training day and left with smiles and tired muscles. Forty-Eight members of the North Central Region ranging from Candidates to Patrollers to members challenging the Senior Level of training all had a great ski and snowboard day.



Scenes from “The Best Training Event Ever” 2009

The Candidate session spent the whole day focusing on toboggan skills and drills which are the footing of a great Patroller in the handles. The Toboggan Tune-up was a huge group and actually divided into smaller sessions with lots of time for drills and actual toboggan runs. The Senior to be Candidates skied and tobogganed their legs off and came away with a sense of what is expected at the evaluation.

importantly the Polich family for being our hosts again. I would also like to thank all of the Instructors from across the Region who gave up their day to help grow our toboggan skills in the Region. It takes a ton of trainers to make events like this happen and clearly the success of our N.C. Region training event is because of our Instructors and their commitment to excellence. Thanks again and again to all those Patrollers that spent time together at Brule on the 17th.



Feedback was given in most cases for those that were looking for an opportunity to grow their skills. We are hoping that each participants home ski area will have trainers available to continue helping our patrollers meet their training expectations.

A Huge thank you goes out to Ski Brule, the Patrol at Ski Brule and most



Photos courtesy of Bob Myers and Jim Grundstrom



North Central Region Awards Banquet 2009



April 17-19 The Waters Resort, Minocqua, WI

This year the Region banquet will be held April 17-19 in Minocqua at the Waters Resort
8116 Highway 51 South, Minocqua, WI

Book your rooms by calling the Waters Resort toll free at: 877-992-8377
Reference National Ski Patrol Room Block

Take a virtual tour of the Waters Resort at www.thewatersofminocqua.com
Room rate is \$79.99 per night plus tax and you can have up to six people per room. Rate includes full use of the indoor water park.

The Awards Banquet on Saturday evening April 18th \$ 28.00 per person for two entrée dinner.

Schedule of Events

Registration Hotel Lobby Friday 3:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Sat. 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Friday Social Hospitality Room Friday 6:00 PM – 11:00 PM

Board of Director's Calendar Meeting Friday 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Board of Director's Meeting Friday Session Friday 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Course for Credit "Instructor Development" Friday 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM and
Saturday 9:00 AM — 1:00 PM (fee to be collected at class)

Course "Advanced Moulage" Friday 6:00 PM – 9:00PM and
Saturday 9:00AM – Noon *Making Latex Wounds and Appliances Two Part Series*

Board of Director's Meeting Saturday Session Saturday 7:00 AM – Noon

Course for Credit "OEC Enhancement Trauma" Saturday 9:00 AM – Noon *Another Greg Kerwin Trauma Feature*

Course for Credit "OEC Enhancement Adaptive Riders" 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM *Adaptive Rescue Perspective*

Course "Basic Moulage" Saturday 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM *Learn to Make Blood, Scrapes, Impalements, Abrasions*

Course Low Angle Rescue Saturday 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM *Overflow Session from '08 Brought Back for '09*

Course "CPR Refresher AHA" Saturday 1: 00 PM – 4:00 PM *Complete Your CPR Refresher Before Next Fall*

Banquet Social Hour Banquet Area Saturday 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM

Dinner and Awards Banquet Area Saturday 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Patroller Social Hotel Bar Saturday 9:00 PM – ? *We Never Know What Time the Fun will End*

Patrol Representative Meeting Hotel Restaurant Sunday 8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

Additional Saturday Activities Include

1. Quaint island shopping in downtown Minocqua
2. Bowling alley across the street.
3. Mountain biking trails
4. Dr. Kate Museum
5. Minocqua Museum
6. Free shuttle to Local Casino
7. Water Park at The Waters
8. Minocqua Brewery



Please complete the form below and send with payment

Awards Banquet Registration Form North Central Region 2009 Spring Meeting and Awards Banquet

Registration Due April 8th

Early Bird Special Registrations received by April 1 receive double door prize tickets

Name: _____ Patrol _____

Family Members/Guest:

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone#: _____ mail: _____

If also registering for Seminars/Courses, please provide NSP # : _____

Saturday Evening Banquet \$ 28.00 per person: # attending _____ Total for Banquet (\$ 28.00 x #) \$ _____

Saturday Evening Meal and Party for Kids \$ 12.50 per person: #attending _____ Total for Kid's Party (\$12.50x #) \$ _____

Patrol Representative Breakfast/Meeting: please list # attending _____ Patrol Reps Only ___N/C___

Course: Advanced Moulage (List Attendees) _____ ___N/C___

Course: Basic Moulage (List Attendees) _____ ___N/C___

Course: Instructor Development (List Attendees) _____ Total (\$ 25.00 x #) _____ fee collected at the door
(ID: fee may be collected at door for lunch)

Course: OEC Enhancement Trauma (List Attendees) _____ ___N/C___

Course: OEC Enhancement Adaptive (List Attendees) _____ ___N/C___

Course: Low Angle Rescue (List Attendees) _____ ___N/C___

Course: CPR Refresher for Health Care Providers (AHA) (List Attendees) _____ fee collected at the door

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Send reply and check to: **Persons with special menu requests should contact Keith Robinson**

Keith Robinson
E-mail: brobins@live.com
6215 County Road F
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495
Registration due April 8th

**Make check payable to:
NSPS North Central Section 4**

Early Bird Special Registrations received by April 1 receive double door prize ticket

Senior States by Don Close, Region Senior Ski and Toboggan Administrator



Don Close
Senior S&T Administrator

We were off again for the season with 10 candidates looking to refresh and upgrade their skills. The candidates were present at the Region S&T Training event at Ski Brule in January and trained in Senior S&T on Saturday and Senior SEM on Sunday. Thanks to instructors Steve Beil, Rob Bell and Mike Lynch for

helping with the S&T and Greg Kerwin for heading up the SEM that weekend.

The evaluations were held at Granite Peak on Feb 21-22. They always do a great job of hosting the program and making everyone feel welcome.

As some are aware, I have requested that the Region

find a replacement for my position. I think positions should open up periodically so new people have the opportunity to volunteer. Thanks to everyone who has supported the program over the years.

I have met a lot of great people and look forward to skiing with you all in the future.

OEC Update: Watch Those Incident Reports- You May Need Them Some Day

By: Tom Hynes, Retired OEC Administrator

A recent review of recent "Incident Reports" prompts this writing...

After a brief review of a local patrols' daily incident reports it was clear that we're not clearly documenting incidents in a consistent manner.

A) Even the most minor incidents need to be "written up" clearly and be complete. [No I not suggesting all band aid incidents need a report, but if

you do write an incident report do it completely.]

B) As they the realtors say "location, location, location".

C) Give it a "Time of Day" ...as close to the actual as possible.

D) Were there witnesses...who....address and phone

E) Was there a guardian present...address and phone

F) Rental equipment number{s}...boots, skis

and the helmet [if there was a helmet]...description [note settings if clearly visible]

a. Document rental returns if your hill requires them returned for testing.

b. Document out area rental shop information if available.

G) What did YOU find?\

a. What did your team members each find.

H) What did You do? What did your team mem-

bers each do?

I) Was management involved.

a. Who

b. What

c. Where

J) Was EMS called? What did they do in your presence?

Suggestion...Keep a copy of the bad and or strange ones in a private-secure personal file for possible later need.

This is isn't dogma this is CYA...

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area. We could also run (or help run) a class further north if there is interest. These are open to people interested in patrolling at any hill. The OEC class in Appleton last fall saw people go to hills in sections 2 and 3 and to South Central Region. If you have

anyone from this area interested in joining your patrol and are looking for an OEC class, or are running an OEC class in your area, let me and your section chief know, so we can get people in classes near them.

Also, remember to nominate deserving patrollers for awards, I am sure there are many great deeds that go unrecognized each year.

I look forward to seeing as many as possible at the region meeting in Minoc-

qua on April 17 – 19. There are many educational opportunities this weekend, or just come and socialize at the banquet on Saturday night.

Bring the family along, my kids are already asking me when are we going.

Notice of Election

**Use The Form Below to Nominate Section Chief
for
North Central Region Sections I and IV
Nominations Due March 23, 2009**

2009 - 2010 SECTION CHIEF ELECTIONS OF SECTION I and IV

National Ski Patrol System
Central Division, North Central Region

The North Central Region of the Central Division will hold an election in the spring of 2009 to elect the Section Chief in Sections I and IV

Minimum Qualifications

- 1. Must be a registered NSP member in the Section.
- 2. Must have been a Patrol Director for one year or registered NSP member for five years.
- 3. Must be familiar with the national policies as defined in the NSP's Officer's Handbook and the Ski Patroller's Manual.
- 4. Must be familiar with Division, Region and Section policies as applicable.

Recommended Requirements

- 1. Served as Patrol Director one year
- 2. Logged at least 45 days active patrolling with one-third within the Section.
- 3. Experience working with management at an area in the Section.
- 4. Participation in Region administrative activities (Region meetings, Region testing/training activities).
- 5. Senior Patroller status should be attained.

Duties and Responsibilities

- 1. Serves three year term
- 2. Promotes financial support of the national organization and its programs.
- 3. Cooperates with Region Director and other NSP officers in maintaining 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 patrollers.
- 6. Authors articles and reports for Section/Region newsletters.

- 7. Is responsible for any other duties designated by Division/Board of Governors.

Nomination Procedure

Any active patroller in good standing may nominate or make a self nomination. Fill out form below and send to Region Elections Coordinator. Form must be post marked by March 1, 2007.

Electorate

The Electorate, having one vote each, consists of Unit Representatives as of December 31, 2008.

The above are the minimum requirements for nomination.

Elections Procedure: Region Elections Coordinator verifies and notifies all candidates. Ballots will be mailed to eligible voters by **March 23, 2009**. Ballots must be returned by **April 6, 2009**. Results will be announced by **April 18, 2009**.

Section Chief Nomination Form

National Ski Patrol System, Central Division, North Central Region

Section Chief Nomination for 2009 Elections, I hereby nominate:

Name: _____ of the _____ (Patrol and State)

For the office of Section Chief, NC Region Section I or IV (circle one) Signed: _____

Date: _____ Print Your Name: _____ Address: _____

Mail To: Carolyn DeJongh, 2562 Ryan Rapids Bluffs, Rhinelander, WI 54501 Nominations Must Be Post Marked by **March 23, 2009**
Email: cdej@charter.net Phone: 715-369-1563 (H) 715-361-2172 (W)

Awards

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Outstanding Alpine/Nordic/Auxiliary/Paid Patroller

The patrollers nominated for these awards cannot have a position at region level or above. The intent is to recognize the regular patroller. National has gone back to its original interpretation on this.

The patroller nominated for these awards must be registered properly. If you are a paid patroller you must be registered as a paid patroller. You can only use information in the write up that the person does as a paid patroller. You cannot include things that they do on a volunteer basis. An example is, if they teach OEC. They must be paid to teach OEC to have it included in a paid patroller write up. If the person is an Auxiliary they must be registered that way and only things that they do as an auxiliary can be included in the application. The same for Alpine and Nordic.

Outstanding Young Patroller

Any NSP patroller may be nominated for this award if they are less than 19 years of age on June first of the nominating year.

Outstanding OEC Instructor

The intent of this award is to cover the OEC instructor discipline only.

The recipient must have been a certified OEC instructor for at least three ski seasons and actively instructed for the last two seasons. Include any teaching they may do to help out other patrols. It is extremely important that the person's instructor logs are up to date and accurate. This is checked out by national. So if you teach 6 OEC classes you will need to have six classes documented on your profile on the national page. That type of documentation is the responsibility of every OEC instructor. As always if it isn't charted it isn't done.

Outstanding Instructor

This intent of this award is to recognize an NSP certified instructor in ANY of the NSP educational programs other than OEC.

The recipient must have been a certified instructor for at least three ski seasons and actively instructed for the last two seasons. Once again you need to keep your teaching logs up to date.

Please include any teaching that they do to help out other patrols, region and

their own continuing education.

Outstanding Administrative Patroller

This can be any individual from section chief to region director to various supervisors from section to division. This includes any administrative work done at the patrol level.

Outstanding Alpine and Nordic Patrol Representative

This award is given to any active NSP patrol representative OR one who has served in this position during the immediately preceding season.

Outstanding Large Alpine Patrol (41 or more patrollers)

This is a labor of love. Anyone who has written one of these up is to be commended. This is an extremely competitive award and you will need to include as much detail as possible in this process. The web site has many specific things to include and exclude in the application.

I highly recommend that you develop a demographic form to gather as much information as you can on your talented patrol.

Outstanding Small Alpine Patrol (40 or fewer patrollers)

The information from above applies here.

Outstanding Nordic Patrol

The information from above applies here.

There are several things that all patrol can do to improve the chances of their patrollers being recognized for these prestigious awards.

Develop an awards committee

If a group of people come together to write up these applications it lessens the work. The Patrol Rep has their hands full with running the patrol. This shouldn't fall squarely on their shoulders.

Having awards committee gives your patrollers someplace to go with their suggestions. In large patrols it is too easy not to know the depth of your patrol.

Since you can include a patroller's work from a 4-year period you can plan

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North Central Region 2008 – 2009 Patrol Representatives

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2008-09 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

North Central Region

In all cases call ahead to confirm dates, times and events

AWARDS

Feb 15 Awards Nomination Deadline for Outstandings, Appointments, and Stars, Marcia Locher
28 Awards Meeting, Granite Peak,

CERTIFIED

Feb 20 Certified Clinic, Chestnut, IL
26-28 Certified Evaluation Boyne Highlands
Mar TBA Certified Eval, Lutsen, Greg

DEADLINES

Aug 8 Patrol financial reports due to Section Chiefs, Sarah Hull
11 Patrol & Section financial reports due from Section Chiefs to Region
29 Treasurer Consolidation of Section financial Reports into Region report Sarah
Sep 15 Powder Lines Deadline, Tim Zimmerman

Jan 15 Powder Lines Deadline, Tim Zimmerman
Jun 1 Powder Lines Deadline, Tim Zimmerman

MEETINGS

Sep 5-7 Central Division Meeting, Milwaukee
Oct 11 Region Board Meeting, Ski Brule
Apr 3-5 Central Division Meeting, Chicago
17-19 Region Board Meeting and Awards Banquet, The Waters of Minocqua

MTR

Nov 1-2 Basic MTR, Mont Ripley, Randy Tufts
Feb 28-Mar 1 Advanced MTR, near Porkies, Randy Tufts

NORDIC

Jan 10-11 Division Nordic SES, MWP, Betty Adams
12 Division Telemark Clinic, Indianhead, Betty Adams
24 Noquemamon Nordic Event, Nancy Imm, Jim Grundstrom
Feb 21 American Birkiebeiner, Barb Wheeler

28 Lakeland Loppet, Minocqua Winter Park, Betty Adams
Mar 8 Great Bear Chase, Calument, Barb Wheeler

REFRESHERS

Aug 23 Big Powderhorn OEC Refresher & Chair Evac
Sep 6 Blackjack
13 Ski Brule, OEC and Chair Evac, Joe Matuszak
13 Indianhead
29-30 Marquette Mnt., CRP Recert Jim Grundstrom
Oct 1 Marquette Mnt., CRP Recert Jim Grundstrom
4 Marquette Mnt., OEC Jim Grundstrom
4 Section 4 OEC, UW-SP, Keith Robinson
5 Granite Peak, Chair Evac, Darin Westover
18 Norway Mnt, OEC
18 Mont Ripley/Mnt Bohemia, OEC Don Close/Patti Asselin
19 Mont Ripley/Mnt Bohemia, CPR Don Close/Patti Asselin
Nov 2 Make Up OEC Refresher, Minocqua Winter Park, Betty Adams
Jan 10-11 Sect. 4 On Hill Refresher, Darin

Westover

SENIOR

Dec 1 Senior Application Deadline Don Close
Jan 17 Senior Mandatory Pre-Qualifying Clinic, Brule, Jim Grundstrom
18 Senior Mandatory SEM Clinic, Brule, Greg Kerwin
Feb 20 SEM Eval Calibration, Granite Peak, Greg Kerwin
21 SEM Evaluation, Granite Peak, Greg Kerwin
22 Senior S&T Evaluation, Granite Peak, Don Close

TESTING / TRAINING

Nov 22-23 SES, Brule, Joe Matuszak
Dec 20-21 Division STW, Granite Peak
Jan 10-11 Division Women's Clinic, Perfect North Slopes
Jan 17 S&T 'Best Training Event Ever' Clinic, Brule, Jim Grundstrom

OTHER EVENTS

Nov 1 Marquette Race Team Ski Swap, Jim Grundstrom
Dec 13 Ski Brule Ski Patrol Ski Swap, Joe Matuszak

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accordingly. Don't just decide whom you are going to nominate this year. You should also decide who is a likely candidate for next

year. This gives you a full year to get your applications together. You do have more time to get this together than January and February.

Develop a demographic form

This is a form that some patrol has used to gather information about their patrol. This includes their name. Accomplishments in and out of the patrol. Volunteer work. Special patrol projects. Etc. Between a sheet like this and their

patrol profile most of your work is done for you.

Nominate People

Don't let a little paper work impede the recognition of your patrol and patrollers.

Special Photo Submission By a NC Section Chief



Photo depicts future Granite Peak PR Les Robinson back country skiing in Montana in what was reported to Powder Lines as the "unusual position of actually being upright." Who would report such a thing?