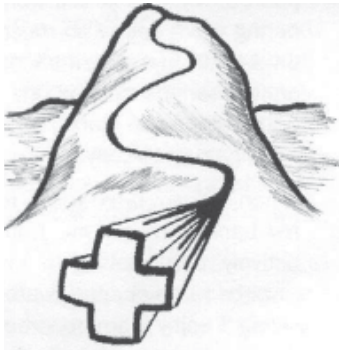


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Newsletter of the North Central Region



National Ski Patrol



The North Central Region Central Division

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

Region Director's Report

By: David Dahl
North Central Region
Director

Winter is just around the corner and some of you have already completed your refreshers. Good news for North Central Region.... Blackjack Ski Area is reopening this year and the patrol will be resurrected.

The fall division meeting was held September 11-13 on Mackinac Island, Michigan. It was a beautiful venue for the meeting, a beautiful weekend and we accomplished a lot. Sunday's meeting was held in the dark, due to a power outage – always an adventure!

The awards banquet was held on Saturday evening. Congratulations to:

Tari Blank from Granite Peak, Central Division First Runner Up for Outstanding OEC Instructor

Minocqua Winter Park, Central Division First Runner Up for Outstanding Nordic Patrol

Unfortunately, I received a Black Demerit star – you'll

have to ask me about the details!

Upcoming Division S&T Evaluator/Trainer Clinics

December 5-6, Trollhaugen Ski Area, Dresser, Wisconsin
December 12-13, Boyne Highlands, Michigan
December 19-20, Cascade Mountain, Wisconsin

If you are presently a Senior S&T Evaluator, please plan on attending one of these division clinics. There will be a separate session where Division will introduce a pilot program which, depending on your input at the clinics, may be implemented the following year.

All trainers & evaluators in the North Central Region are invited to attend any of the Division clinics, but preregistration is required. Please con-

tact me for further information, or check your Rusty Parka News.

North Central Region's SEM and S&T Clinic will be held January 16, 2010. Once again, Ski Brule is hosting this event, and I'm sure they will make this a superior event, as always. We encourage all patrollers to attend, especially trainers and evaluators, to develop their skills and hear about any changes to our training and testing methods. Jim Grundstrom is facilitating this event and the focus this year is on providing each patroller with dedicated training, whether in skiing, toboggan handling, evaluating, training, etc. We will be grouping patrollers based on skill levels and areas of interest. Contact Jim Grundstrom for further information. 906-228-7194.

Senior Program

* Deadline for registration for senior candidates is December 1, 2009.

* All senior candidates must attend the Regional SEM & S&T Clinic at Brule on January 16, 2010

* Senior SEM & S&T Evaluation will be held

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David Dahl
Region Director

Region Director Report Continued:

February 20-21 at Indianhead Mountain

Toboggan IT's – in order to maintain your IT status, you must contact Jim Grundstrom and make arrangements to assist with at least one on-the-hill toboggan refresher away from your home area. The Region will pay for your mile-

age to attend your out-of-area event.

Here's hoping for a safe ski season with lots of snow. See you on the slopes (or at the refresher!)

David Dahl
NC Region Director

Tim's Traverse By Tim Zimmerman, editor

The season's first measureable snowfall is falling as I sit at the keyboard in my latest attempt to convert the rumblings between my ears into words.

Co-workers tend to view the skier in their midst with an eye of contempt when the first flakes fly. Most everyone laments the sense of impending winter as the grassy areas slowly turn white.

Those of us who prefer to spend as much time as possible outside with one or two high-tech boards attached to our feet during winter have two options at times like this: remain quiet and smile on the inside or let that feeling of childhood joy surface and exude. It is the latter instance that turns the eyes of contempt into attitude.

I consider myself fortunate in that when I return home from the office I am surrounded by others who share my desire for the slopes.

Our daughter spent most of the evening in her new ski helmet.

"When will they open the ski hill daddy?"

"A round Thanksgiving."

"Will this snow stay?"

"No it will melt before they open the ski hill."

"That's okay. I can wait,

but I am going to wear my helmet some more."

The helmet conversation is followed shortly thereafter with another series of queries.

"Daddy, can I try on my ski boots?"

"Sure sweetie."

"I'll keep my helmet on."

"That's fine."

We take the boots off the recently 50% completed ski storage area at the base of the basement stair case.

do not fit, big brother's feet grow so fast that finding another pair of boots that will work takes only minutes.

"Is there enough snow to try my skis outside?"

"No. If we try the skis right now we will wreck the bases and then they will not work well on the ski hill."

"Okay."

"Should we go over to the window, turn on the yard light and watch the snow fall?"

"Will you put on your ski boots too daddy?"

"Sure."

"Your helmet too?"

"Yes."

For an early season snowfall the flakes have a remarkably cold weather appearance. They are crisp and land as individual flakes against the warm window, pausing only a few seconds before they melt.

I remain quiet and smile on the inside as I watch the childhood joy in my daughter's eyes.

Ski seasons that start like this are not that many in number and will depart as quickly as the flakes on the window.




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(Side note here: considering it is only 50% complete, the ski storage area actually appears to be a professionally constructed storage unit in spite of the fact it is a do it myself project designed between trips to the hardware store. The fact that it is only 50% complete hides the professional appearance from the other set of adult eyes in this house. The nine-year old eyes with me now view the area as a "neat closet.")

The good news is that while the ski boots from last year

Section One Report by Jim Meunier

Refreshers were completed in Section One as planned, and went very well from what I heard. Both the Big Powderhorn and Indianhead refreshers had significant increases in numbers to help accommodate many of the folks that normally attend the Blackjack refresher. From what I understand, things went well and OEC instructors from Blackjack helped out with those respective refreshers as well.

We have a good group of OEC Instructors, including several newer instructors, who put a

lot of effort into making these refreshers a positive learning experience for everyone. We need to thank these instructors as well as the Patrol Reps that organize the refreshers and the Instructor Trainers that oversee the OEC materials being covered. And last but not least the chair evac. and CPR instructors. So thanks to everyone that helped out, on a job well done! Once again,

It sounds like both Big Powderhorn and Blackjack will be sold and open under new management for the upcoming ski season. These are

separate sales and different purchasers.

Sounds like the Big Powderhorn sale is scheduled to close very soon, no specifics are available on the Blackjack sale, but plans are moving forward for a Dec. 9, 2009 opening. It will be great to have all of our areas open once again next season, and we wish the new owners success!

Have a great fall and hopefully we will get our ski season started early this year with some nice big dumps in late November and early December. See you on the slopes!



Jim Meunier
Section One Chief

Section Two Report by Erick Jensen

Summer is over, the Maple trees in front of my house are turning colors, birds are flocking up for their migration, thoughts are turning to skiing and boarding. Actually, thoughts of skiing are never far away in my mind. OEC classes and refreshers are in full swing, one class and several refreshers have been completed.

This summer has been a time for some fun, some rest and

recovery from the bumps, bruises and more from the last snow season for many of us. As we prepare for the upcoming season, be sure to give your equipment a thorough check, this includes the vehicles and, most important, yourself.

I'm not a good one to talk about being in shape for skiing, but I'm trying to work on it. I am encouraging you to do the same, or better. I want

to be around to enjoy a lot of years yet, and am realizing I can, and need to do something to make the best of the odds I have.

I am looking forward to a safe snow season filled with many powder days (I can dream) and hopefully making some turns with as many of you as I can. I am even looking forward to being shown up by some of you younger patrollers at Ripley again.



Erick Jensen
Section Two Chief

Section Two Report by Erick Jensen

Another wonderful weekend in Minocqua at the spring meeting and banquet. My family and I had a fun filled weekend, I didn't mind going shopping, even. My wife was stunned at that. Thanks to the Robinsons and the rest of their team in putting together another great time. I hope to see you there next year, I'm sure Martin and Section III will put on another great event.

On a sad note, I recently attended the funeral for the son of a patroller. I was struck by the number of patrollers who were there, many of whom drove several hours to be there. As we often hear, there is definitely a bond among patrollers, even if we have just met. I have found this to be true on and off the snow, and not just among our patrol or region, but system-wide.

We have an OEC class started in Green Bay with 11 people. They are meeting through the summer and are planning on finishing in September. Many patrols have official and unofficial events throughout the summer, these are generally a good time to get together in a setting other than our normal slopes and trails.

Editor's Note: *The summer Section Two report did not appear in the summer issue of Powder Lines. A technical problem prevented publication in the summer issue. Please accept our apologies.*

Section Three Report by Martin Olson



Martin Olson
Section Three Chief

We are in the midst of the Fall OEC refresher season. Some have been completed and other will soon follow. Make the most of this opportunity to refresh your skills. Be active as it not only helps you, but the others around you including the instructors. Consider volunteering at next year's refresher, contact the refresher Instructor of Record. Thank you Pine and Norway for providing the fall refresher in our section.

Just as the OEC refresher gives you the opportunity to knock the rust off, so does the On-Hill refresher. Practice those basic skills all year long to keep sharp and crisp with your sideslips, transitions, and short to long radius turns. Another OEC class was completed in the Green Bay area,

thanks to Tom Macco and Russ Reynolds. 10 new patrollers have graduated from the class. Here again is another opportunity to help out, with the entire class, just a week or two or for the evaluations. Also consider helping out the smaller ski areas with a day or two of your time. I realize you have a commitment to your area but typically the smaller hills are understaffed and would appreciate a day or two. Thank you to those that have helped out Hilly Haven the past couple of years.

Once again, start considering who you think should be nominated for Outstanding Patroller, Patrol Representative, Instructor, Angel Pins, Merit

Stars, Certificate of Appreciation, etc. If you know of any patroller who was involved with a fatal accident or live saving situation, please contact me so that proper recognition can be made to these individuals.

Check out the educational opportunities listed in this issue of Powderlines. Take advantage of these to improve your skills. Typically these events are of minimal cost. Enjoy the rest of the fall and request another good snow year. Be safe, courteous, polite, friendly and helpful to the skiers at your resort. They are the ones who give us the opportunity to enjoy doing what we do.

Together as a team we can accomplish difficult task.

In Memoriam: Tom Landree

Submitted by: Barbara Braithwaite



Tom Landree

Tom Landree died on July 4, 2009, at Aspirus Ontonagon Hospital, attended by his family. He was 63 years old and in failing health the last few years. In spite of that, Tom was busy in his garage, working on his projects, adding to his tool base and planning the purchase of a new tractor.

Tom was the patrol director at the Porcupine Mountains ski hill for 29 years, retiring in 2004 when the State of Michigan turned over hill operation to a private managing company. Born January 10, 1946, Tom was one of the

Ontonagon area "locals" who grew up with the hill and learned to ski at it. He joined the patrol at a young age and watched the maturing of National Ski Patrol during those 29 years. His Porkies call number was "2" so that tells you something. When Tom left the patrol about 5 years ago, his local call number was permanently retired, too.

Tom would hold court each Saturday and Sunday in the patrol room, regaling patrollers with his funny, witty, and well-crafted stories of adventures. Nothing was sacred - stories included his "Adventures with National", the various work sites his company

sent him to, ordering his specially-made patrol supplies, his investigations on various subjects. He was quick-witted, well-read and interested in technology. He had a knack for figuring out computers in the early days, and lots of his stories were accompanied by his hilarious graphics, some of which grace the patrol room walls today. As his good friend Mary Ross (4 on the patrol, and affectionately known as Orange) says about our stories, "A lot of it we just can't print." Some of the snippets we remember: Tom passing out crayons to color "hair" on fellow (hair-challenged) patroller Bob Clark, Tom on a snowboard, riding 30 feet before he

went down, Tom having his "Mac Attack" in the lift line, Tom giving an unsuspecting patroller a prank gift or a word of encouragement, Tom's laughter heard around the patrol room, Tom & Dan "pumping themselves up" with the boot air pump, Tom at his truck

tailgate for impromptu after-closing get-togethers...

Tom kept the patrol going many years, some of them single-handedly. His friends Les Tillman and Howell Smith Sr often visited the Porkies from Afton Alps. Howell said

that Tom remarked once in spite of all the differences he had with National policies and procedures, something worked well when 4 or 5 patrollers from different ski areas could work smoothly together on a rescue and be on the same page with regard to patient care.

In Memoriam: Tom Landree



Second Annual Ski Enhancement Seminar (SES) November 21-22, 2009

sponsored by
Ski Brule Ski Patrol and NSP-C Ski School

If you are a current ski patroller, new candidate or a patroller thinking about taking your Senior test this year, you should plan to attend this Ski Enhancement Seminar.

Registration will be on the third floor of the main lodge from 8 –9 a.m. on both Saturday and Sunday mornings. Ski groups will be formed at 9 a.m. based on participants learning desires. Groups will ski together until 4 p.m. (ish). Video taken all weekend. If you have never seen yourself ski, join us for a social Saturday evening for the BIG show.



Experience PSIA level III instruction, get the rust off and have fun!

Fee: \$25 (covers one or both days). Ski in your Patrol Jacket receive complimentary lift ticket from Ski Brule. Lodging specials available for Friday and Saturday night. Check the Ski Brule Patrol website www.skibrulepatrol.com for more details.

For more information or to confirm your attendance, please contact Kerry Hanson at 715-282-6504 or kjmkski@newnorth.net

Your response in needed by Friday, November 13 to insure small group size with each PSIA instructor.

Pictured are participants and instructors from the 2008 Ski Enhancement Seminar.



Kasten's Korner



c 2009 Gary Kasten

Toboggan Thoughts...The Enhanced Version



Jim Grundstrom
ARD Alpine Training

Welcome back to winter pre-planning and the beginning thought starters for the upcoming season. For all patrollers and toboggan instructors, there is a "new sheriff in town" so to speak. Your toboggan refresher will be part of your member card records. So the 2009 / 2010 season will show up on your 2010 / 2011 season member card as being accomplished. Just like OEC refreshers this is a

critical part of our pre-season accomplishments and part of being a Patroller. Refreshing our skills is so critical and keeping great records is also very important these days. It always has been, just a new emphasis is being placed on the record keeping.

Planning for the Brule, North Central Region event is happening in the sidelines these days and more will get placed

into cement at the fall meeting. In the mean time we would like you all to mark the date on your calendar for a great day in January at Ski Brule again. This season we are going to dial in the focus even more. Input suggests that patrollers really want a whole day of toboggan handling, a whole day of candidate skills, a whole day of Senior Practice and so on. We are going to enhance the

Instructor Core and provide if at all possible your wishes for education matching your skill level and desire.

To all of our Instructors and "hill trainers"; please remember to open your class opportunities for every event. TES's, SES's, Hill Trainer Workshop's and other events all need to be registered with the National Office. We are also asking that you open a Patroller Development opportunity with each of your events too.

Those of us that have been around a bit know "Patroller

101" or Patroller Development is a great way to provide extra information to our members in a structured format.

We are blessed with Toboggan Instructor's and Instructor Trainers across the Region in an awesome quantity. Our Region Director David Dahl wants to see those resources being used to their maximum. We want your knowledge shared so plan on helping in the Region Training a lot, and in a few cases much more than in the past. We are trained to teach and share our knowledge with our Regions

members. It is time to pull out all the stops and make the North Central Region the best prepared patrollers around.

Thanks very much to our Instructors for taking the time to attend the clinics at any level of instruction in the Region. We hope the smiles you see on Patrollers faces are the best thank you feedback you can ever get.

Until it snows please call me with any suggestions, concerns, or thoughts. 906-360-8600 cell, 888-373-4329 office, 906-228-7194 in the evening.

Toboggan Thoughts



Who Says You Can't Fool Mother Nature?

Tom Anderson and crew hauled truck loads of shaved ice in order to create a jib park during the 2009 US Ski Hall of Fame induction ceremonies in mid-September.

Rumor has it Anderson donned these 235 CM hickory planks and threw a 540 Mute Grab. He would have went for a 720 but the run out was limited due to early season conditions.



Betty Adams
Region Nordic Administrator

Nordic Notes By Betty Adams, Region Nordic Administrator

We have had our first freeze with some reports of snow seen in the area. So far only green grass and leaves on the ground but snow is coming. With snow comes skiing and ski racing. The school races start as soon as areas are skiable. Alpine patrollers as well as Nordic can patrol Nordic races. Contact Copper Country Nordic, Superior Nordic, Minocqua Winter Park or Nine Mile Forest for information on races which need help. Ski Jumping will also be starting. If you are near a ski jump, see if patrollers are needed for

events. Practices start soon with dry land training. Minocqua has had two Nordic Walking Clinics (walking with ski poles). Check out this great way to get in shape.

Set aside the dates of January 23 and 24 for the Central Division Nordic Ski Enhancement Seminar at Minocqua Winter Park. The Telemark clinic will be Monday, January 25 at Indianhead. Please let David Squires or Betty Adams know if you are interested in basic or senior skills evaluation. We will be

granted complementary skiing as patrollers, so wear your patrol uniform and equipment. There will be a fee for the clinics taught by Dan Clausen. All sessions will start at 9 A.M. If interested in any of these sessions, contact Betty Adams at mbadams@newnorth.net or David Squires at sharky@tekstar.com.

Check the calendar for major ski races and plan to race or patrol. The first event is the Noquemanon in Marquette on January 30.

Ski School Lessons By Bob Meyers, Region PSIA Liason

What be a PSIA member and instructor?



It can provide you insurance to be able to teach skiing to patrollers and others, and it can really improve your skiing. Mid – West Ski Area Managers top comment about patrollers is that they wish we looked better skiing down the mountain. They are extremely happy on our patroller first aid skills but would like us to look better skiing. The rest of the article gives you some information on how to start down that path.

Start by going to: <http://www.psia.org> This is the national web site for PSIA. The purpose of the site is to provide members, press, and consumers with a wide variety of resources related to snowsports and teaching. Additionally, the site is designed to serve specific PSIA communities, notably the adaptive, alpine, nordic, children's, and snowboard constituencies.

If you want to know more about what is happening closer to home there is a Central Division of PSIA with its

own web site: <http://www.psia-c.org> This is the equivalent of the NSP Central Division web site. This is the official website of the Professional Ski Instructors of America – Central Division. Check back often for more information, services and updates.

Any other questions concerns call or email me rjmmqt@charter.net. Think about adding a PSIA instructor to your patrol and see how your skiing skills can improve. Have a good season and I'll see ya' on the slopes.

SEM Advocate Role Clarified

By: Gregory Kerwin, Region SEM Administrator



In the past there has been some confusion as to the role of the advocate in both the SEM and the Ski/Toboggan portions of the senior evaluation. Here is a brief review of the advocates role.

The Central Division Senior Manual (page 11 and 41) guid-

ance on the SEM Advocate is as follows:

“The use of an advocate during the evaluation is encouraged. The advocate must be familiar with the region's current training and evaluation programs. The advocate is assigned to each senior candidate team for the day. The advocate accompanies the

assigned group through the entire day's activity.

This individual serves as an advocate for the team to ensure the evaluation is a positive experience.

The advocate's role is to help the senior candidates by:

- Clarifying any questions the senior candidates may have regarding the evaluation.

- On-the-hill organizing, maintaining the time schedule and ensuring the group of candidates is at the right place at the right time.
- Following the evaluation the advocate will also complete

the Senior Alpine Evaluation Candidate Feedback form (Appendix IV)."

In short the advocate will assist the candidate with the logistics of the day. The advocate

will provide feedback to the evaluation team.

The role of the advocate is not to provide feedback to the candidate directly. The advocate is not to provide training to the candidate.



Changes Occur in Senior Administrative Roles / Senior Applications Due December 1st.

This last ski season saw some changes in the region senior S&T. After many years as the region S&T administrator Don Close stepped down. As the senior event was approaching no one had yet stepped up to take the position

region needed someone to lead the senior event. As the event was being held at Granite Peak and I was laid up due to injury I had some spare time to help Don out and lead the event for him. One thing

lead to another and, as I do enjoy helping the senior program, I talked to Dave Dahl and a couple other key persons and have agreed to step in and try and to fill Don's shoes. Thanks for years of

service Don and the guidance you can give in the future.

That all said this year in senior we are looking to have a great year, the senior program will have evaluation on February 20-21 and it will be held at

Indianhead Mtn. We also will be expected of them for the S&T portion of the evaluation. That will also give each candidate an idea of what they need help on in the month between the two events. It also gives us a chance to calibrate the evaluators so they know what they

If you think you might be interested in taking that next step in learning and becoming a senior check out the Senior Manual on the Central Division website. <http://www.nspcentral.org/senior.php>



Senior Candidates demonstrate their emergency management skills in realistic conditions such as the scenario above. Applications for this year's Senior Candidates is December 1, 2009.

Indianhead Mtn. We also will hold the annual great Brule event on January 16-17, where this year all senior candidates will need to attend and get an overview of what will be ex-

are looking for in a senior patroller. So if you are interested in evaluating this year contact me as I will be looking for you before the Brule event.

Les Robinson
751 Blue Ridge Lane
Nekoosa, WI. 54457

All interested candidates need to apply by December 1, 2009. Application is found on the region website and following this article. The completed application should be sent to me at the address below along with fee of \$15 for new applicants and \$10 for repeat applicants.

2009/2010 Senior Candidate Application
North Central Region, Central Division National Ski Patrol

Date of Senior Candidate Application: _____

____\$15.00 - New Applicant

____\$10.00 - Repeat Applicant *(please check one)*

Patroller Information

Name: _____

NSP Registration Number _____

Address _____ City: _____

State: ____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Patrol: _____ Years of Patrolling Experience: _____

Candidate Signature: _____

Event you will attend: ____Senior Emergency Management (SEM) ____Ski & Toboggan (S & T)
(check event(s) you will attend)

Leadership Mentor: _____

Helper for Leadership evaluation _____

Note to SEM Candidates: Contact Region Senior SEM Administrator for Materials

S & T Mentor _____ *(enter name of mentor if attending S&T event)*

Discipline: __ Senior Alpine __ Senior Nordic __Senior Auxiliary

This certifies that the above-named candidate has demonstrated all the basic ski patroller or auxiliary skills and has sufficient knowledge, skills, and experience to participate in the National Ski Patrol Senior training program.

Patrol Representative Signature:

_____ Date: _____

Return application with fee by **December 1, 2009** to (Checks made payable to NSP North Central Region):

Les Robinson
751 Blue Ridge Lane
Nekoosa, WI. 54457

OEC Opportunities By Tom Hynes, Region OEC Administrator

#1 Myth...Once an IT always an IT.

No an IT [OEC, Transportation, Avalanche, etc.]

A) Must be actively instructing and mentoring new instructors and candidates [patrollers].

B) Maintain and submit their instructing activities to the region supervisor,

C) Complete and submit quality assurance records to the region supervisor,

D) Complete an update and if asked present updates to the instructors.

See below additional requirements.

National Policies & Procedures [2008]

6.5.9 Instructor Trainers [general] (for OEC IT job description, see section 14.7.2)

Instructor trainers are appointed based on need and reviewed by the program supervisor annually. It is a job, not an award.

C. Responsibilities

1. Training and quality management
Trains, certifies, evaluates, and recommends recertification of program instructors.

Participates in Instructor Development mentoring program as needed.

Establishes mentoring instructors.

d. Works with the division supervisor and region program administrator to implement a program of quality management to monitor the consistency and quality of instruction.

e. Provides evaluation of individual instructors observed in teaching programs, their use of instructional techniques, and their individual skill proficiency as required for instructor recertification.

f. Maintains instructor credential by participating in division or national instructor training seminars/clinics. (Instructor recertification teaching requirements are waived for the duration of the appointment as instructor trainer.)

6.5.11 Instructors

A. Qualifications

1. Is a current NSP member or associate.
2. Successfully completes the program's course(s).
3. Successfully completes the Instructor Development course.
4. Successfully completes the appropriate Instructor

Development mentoring program.

B. Selection

Initial appointment process
a. Submits an instructor application to the appropriate program supervisor or administrator.

b. Assists in teaching two or more courses under the supervision of the appointed mentor.

c. Appointed by division program supervisor, or delegated individual for a three-year period.

2. Instructor recertification (see specific details in discipline's instructor manual)

Teaching requirements (vary slightly with each discipline).

- Attends a national, division, or region instructor clinic/ seminar once every three years.
- Completes all program's annual refresher requirements.

NO...

A) Must be actively instructing and mentoring new instructors and candidates [patrollers].

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Tom Hynes
Region OEC Administrator

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C) Complete and submit quality assurance records to the IT and region supervisor,

D) Complete an update.
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T e a c h i n g requirements (vary slightly with each discipline).

Attends a national, division, or region instructor clinic/seminar once every three years.

Completes all programs' annual refresher requirements.

C. Responsibilities

1. Teaching

Actively teaches program's courses.

Actively teaches program's continuing education/refreshers.

M a i n t a i n s cooperative relationship with assigned instructor trainer.

2. Quality assurance

Maintains personal competency in all knowledge and skill areas.

Responsible for student competency validation.

Certifies students' successful completion of course.

May be appointed to act as a mentor for an instructor trainee.

CURRENT OEC ITS

Gerald Check , Carolyn DeJongh, "Jim" Francis J. Fournier Jr, Martin P. Olson, "Bob" Robert L. Epps, Lolita "Rosebud" Barry, "Greg" Gregory Kerwin, Roger P. Bennetts, David Peacock, Nancy Dobrinski, Chris Dobrinski, Trudy K. Olsson, Aaron LaLonde, "Tom" Thomas R. Hynes, David Voelker, Les Robinson, Brenda Robinson, Patricia A. Asselin, Mary E. Adams.

OEC INSTRUCTOR NEWS

There have been a number of new OEC instructors added to the region roster...welcome them [too many to list here]. Local instructors updates are being conducted by our ITs...if you haven't been contacted by an IT please contact me so I can find an update close to you.

OEC REFRESHERS

An annual OEC refresher is mandatory to maintain your patrol membership. Many refreshers have been completed. For those still needing a refresher check the calendar on

the North Central Region web site.

Mary Adams does offer a late refresher in November at Minocqua Winter Park...for information contact Mary for date, times and fees.

OEC & TRACTION SPLINTS

A recent question was asked in regards to when to use a traction device. This arose from information taken from the most current OEC Manual. In the manual it implies the use of a traction device be used when multiple injuries to leg are present. In further review and research at traction splint is recommended only for mid shaft femur injuries and not when additional suspected fractures or joint injuries are assessed. With multiple fracture injuries the traction may not provide the necessary traction to over come the mass of muscles of the thigh and not provide proper support to any additional distal fractures or joint injuries.

For additional information see the National Journal of Emergency Medicine [online].

Rosebud New Region Instructor Development Administrator

Lolita "Rosebud" Barry Becomes NC Region Instructor Development Supervisor

Contact Rosebud for future instructor development courses and information. Please see Region Roster for contact information.

North Central Region 2009 - 2010 Patrol Representatives

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2009 - 2010 North Central Region Calendar

AWARDS

Date	Location	Description	Contact
2010-02-07		Major award applications due	Marcia Locher 715 341 8943 rlocher@charter.net
2010-02-21		Region Awards Electronic Voting Complete	Marcia Locher 715 341 8943 rlocher@charter.net

BANQUET

Date	Location	Description	Contact
2010-04-18	Waters of Minocqua	Region Spring Meeting and Banquet	David Dahl david.dahl@greenheck.com

DEADLINES

Date	Location	Description	Contact
2009-07-01		Patrol Reps compile patrol reports	Sarah Hull
2009-08-03		Patrol reports due to Section Chiefs	Sarah Hull
2009-08-07		Patrol/Section Reports Due	Sarah Hull
2009-08-10		Treasurer Consolidates Section Report	Sarah Hull
2009-09-11		Region report due to Region Director	Sarah Hull
2009-09-15		Powder Lines Deadline	tzimmerman@mitchellmetalproducts.com
2009-10-11		Region Report due Division Treasurer	David Dahl 715 536 4705 dcdski@dwave.net
2010-06-01		Powder Lines Deadline	tzimmerman@mitchellmetalproducts.com

MEETING

Date	Location	Description	Contact
2009-10-17	Ski Brule	Fall Region Board Meeting	David Dahl 715 536 4705 dcdski@dwave.net
2010-04-09	Chicago	Central Division Spring Meeting	David Dahl david.dahl@greenheck.com

MTR

Date	Location	Description	Contact
2010-03-06	location TBD	MTR 1	Randy Tufts randytufts@yahoo.com

NORDIC

2010-01-23-25	MWP/Indianhead	Central Division Nordic Clinics	David Squires, Betty Adams
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Date	Location	Description	Contact
2009-08-02	Granite Peak	OEC Classes begin	Les Robinson 715 213 2918 lrobbins@wctc.net
2009-08-31	Mt Ripley	OEC Classes begin	Aaron Lalonde 906 482 6091 adlalond@mtu.edu

REFRESHERS

Date	Location	Description	Contact
2009-08-23	Big Powderhorn	Big Powderhorn Refresher (tentative)	Earl Halverson 1 906 932 0110
2009-09-11	Bruce Mound	Bruce Mound Refresher	Kaare Tinglestad
2009-09-12	Indian Head	Indian Head Refresher (tentative)	Walt Hess
2009-09-26	Mich Tech	Mt. Ripley/Mt. Bohemia OEC refresher	Patty Asselin 906 289 4956 paass@mtu.edu
2009-09-26	Marquette Mtn.	Marquette Mtn. OEC refresher	Jim Grundstrom jimgrundstrom@freichevy.com
2009-09-26	Ski Brule	Ski Brule OEC refresher	Joe Matuszak 1 920 865 7608 jmtooz@aol.com
2009-10-10	UW Stevens Point	Section Four OEC Refresher	Keith Robinson 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com
2009-10-11	Granite Peak	Section Four Chair Evac Refresher	Keith Robinson 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com
2009-10-24	Norway Mnt	Norway OEC/CPR refresher	Martin Olsen molson.wingbone@gmail.com
2009-11-01	Minocqua Winter Park	Winter Park OEC Refresher	Betty Adams mbadams@newnorth.net
2010-01-09	Granite Peak	Sec 4 On Hill refreshers	Les Robinson 715 213 2918 lrobbins@wctc.net

SENIOR

Date	Location	Description	Contact
2009-10-17	Ski Brule	Optional SEM Workshop	Greg Kerwin gkerwin@juno.net
2009-12-01		Senior Applications Due	
2010-01-17	Ski Brule	SEM Mandatory Pre Test	Greg Kerwin gkerwin@juno.net
2010-02-20	Indian Head	Senior SEM and S&T	Greg Kerwin gkerwin@juno.com Les Robinson

TESTING/TRAINING

Date	Location	Description	Contact
2009-11-14	Granite Peak	OEC Final	Les Robinson 715 213 2918 lrobbins@wctc.net
2009-11-21	Ski Brule	Early Season SES	Joe Matuszak 920 865 7608 jmtooz@aol.com
2010-01-16	Ski Brule	North Central SES/S&T	Jim Grundstrom 906 228 7194, Joe Matuszak
2010-02-20	Ski Brule	Candidate Evaluation	Joe Matuszak 1 920 865 7608 jmtooz@aol.com
2010-02-27	Granite Peak	Sec 4 S & T Evaluation	Keith Robinson 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com

OTHER EVENTS

Date	Location	Description	Contact
2009-07-04	Minocqua Winter Park	Muggy Buggy Run	Betty Adams mbadams@newnorth.net
2009-08-02	Devils Head	MSAA Meeting	
2009-09-26	Minocqua Winter Park	Wife Carrying Contest	Betty Adams mbadams@newnorth.net
2009-11-21	Granite Peak	Granite Peak Opens	Les Robinson 715 213 2918 lrobbins@wctc.net
2009-12-12	Ski Brule	Brule Ski Swap	Joe Matuszak 920 865 7608 jmtooz@aol.com
2010-01-30	Marquette	Nokamegon Ski Race	Jim Grundstrom jimgrundstrom@freichevy.com
2010-02-27	Hayward, WI	Birkebeiner	Barbara Wheeler bawheelerski@msn.com
2010-03-03	Minocqua Winter Park	Lakeland Loppet	Betty Adams mbadams@newnorth.net
2010-03-14		Great Bear Chase	Barbara Wheeler bawheelerski@msn.com
2010-05-17	Iola, WI	Bump 'n Jump	Keith Robinson 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com
2010-05-31		Tesomas Crystal Lake Classic	Keith Robinson 715 569 3831 kbrobins@live.com
2010-06-07	Wausau, WI	Nine Mile Big Ring Classic	Steve Konkel 715 675 9263 steven.konkel@gte.net
2010-06-25	Marquette, MI	Superior Bike Festival	Jim Grundstrom jimgrundstrom@freichevy.com
2010-07-25	Wausau, WI	Nine Mile 24 Hour Bike Race	Steve Konkel 715 675 9263 steven.konkel@gte.net