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Chris Raudabaugh, Ohio Region Director

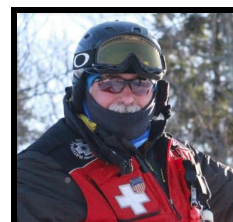
Greetings!

As of this writing, the season looked pretty good in the beginning of November, but warmed up to just a bit too much leading into December. Let's all go out and do a snow dance in hopes of some slippery white slopes for the Christmas holiday.

After the holidays, the Ohio NSP Events calendar kicks into full gear. January will see SES's, TES's, Senior OEC module exam, Certified Prequalification, Certified Recertification, along with training at all levels. You should have a couple of these events available to you right at your area. Visit the Ohio Region website to find when these events will be at a ski area near you. <http://ohionsp.org>

I wish you a very happy and merry holiday. Hope to see you on the slopes soon....
Chris

I hope to see as many Ohio Region patrollers as I can over this season, let's think snow!



Message from Chris Raudabaugh:

Safe Sports Act

The Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017 was created in reaction to the abuse found various youth sports organizations, including USA Gymnastics. This act will create a new standard of care that will affect youth-serving organizations across the country. The purpose of the law is to expand existing mandated reporting laws to all youth sport organizations that participate in international or interstate sporting events.

The question that I have received is how this impacts us as patrollers? The foremost responsibility that could fall on a patroller is reporting any abuse. Mandatory reporting can vary from state to state. In general, some of us are in professions where there is a mandatory requirement to report abuse in any circumstances. For those patrollers, they know their own responsibilities. For all others, it depends on state laws in general. Indiana, it mandates everyone to report abuse issues. In Ohio, only certain professions. I've shared these states laws with your leadership if interested.

Regardless of the varying laws, your leadership should work with your local management to determine the procedure for reporting abuse. Follow those requirements for your own area.

NSP Ohio Region Women's Program



"This the season", the snow sport season, that is! I hope that everyone's season is starting off well. There are many activities going on in the Ohio Region, be sure to check the calendar on the website to get all the details.

<http://ohionsp.org>

For the 2020 snow season, Ohio Region Women's Program will be co-hosting the Central Division Women's Program (CDWP) event with the Northern Michigan, Eastern Michigan, and Western Michigan Regions. The event will be held at Schuss Mountain February 7th-9th. In addition to the Schuss event, the CDWP is having an event at Tyrol Basin in Wisconsin January 24-25th. Use the link below to register.

<http://www.nspcentral.org/womensclinicapp1.php>



[Yvette Gerdes, Ohio Region Women's Advisor](#)

Greetings Ladies!

My name is Kerstin Hammarberg and I am the Division Women's Advisor. This year the Division Women's Clinic will be held at Tyrol Basin Ski Resort in Mount Horeb, WI on January 24th-26th, 2020 and Schuss/Shanty Resort on February 7th-9th, 2020. We are REALLY excited to have this clinic at Tyrol Basin and Schuss Resorts! The focus of all Division clinics is "Think Towards Tomorrow" and our effort this season is to do that by intentionally inviting women who are PSIA/AASI instructors at any level (1-3) to our clinics!

We want to offer an opportunity for women ski/ride instructors to be mentored by Division-level staff in skiing/riding skills, teaching skills and drills, and leadership! We will also have a focus on how to put together a Women's Clinic in your Region or at your local patrol. In an effort to do some target marketing, we are reaching out to you in hopes that you will consider attending the clinic at Tyrol Basin or Schuss/Shanty. You can register for this clinic by going to the Central Division website at www.nspcentral.org and looking for the Women's Clinic registration.

<http://www.nspcentral.org/womensclinicapp1.php>

There is a deal on lodging but the deadline for the best rates is January 6, 2020.

We hope you can make it!

Kerstin Hammarberg, Central Division Women's Advisor



AWARDS

The snow is flying and have started skiing for the 2020 season. That means it's time to start preparing those award applications. As we all know it takes a lot of time to gather 4 years worth of historical

information, so it's so much better to keep these as living documents, especially the Patrol of the Year. Add this year's information to the previous write up and drop off the oldest information. Remember anyone who won at region / division last year is not eligible this year, and anyone who won national is not eligible for 4 years.

Look around your region:

Did any patrollers treat a significant injury that was not immediately life threatening but could be over time? Submit them for a Central Division Critical Care Award.

Who has provided exceptional service to the Region, Division and/or the NSP as an administrator, patrol director/representative, Instructor or OEC Instructor over the last three years? Start gathering information to submit them as an "Outstanding XXXX" for Region judging.

We all know that our region's patrols provide outstanding service to the region, division, and the National Ski Patrol as well. Start gathering information to submit them as an "Outstanding XXXX Patrol" for Region judging. And remember – Nordic patrol is never submitted from this region – not only should they be recognized but may have a good chance at division as well!

All the same rules apply – deadline for submissions to me is February 14 th. We must use the current forms, which I will forward to the local advisors and have on the web site as well under Awards Program.

NO repeat, NO PDFs. Forms must be submitted as Word. Font no smaller than 9, Times New Roman. No information can be from before the 2016-2017 season. Nominations cannot be longer than 4 pages. There is no longer a letter, just the last question, "why is this patroller outstanding?" This should not be signed. Remember also that someone who holds a region position, with the exception of an IT, is not eligible for Outstanding Patroller, and the Outstanding Administrative Patroller must hold a region position or beyond. So get busy gathering your data, February 14 th is closer than you think! Mark your calendar for the

Awards Banquet at Louisville, Kentucky on May 16, 2020!



Lori Ringley MHS PT

Ohio Region Awards Advisor

The following news is from the new Central Division Awards Supervisor,

Dick Jacques:

Awards Manual Update

The Central Division Awards Manual with the latest information from National is updated and can be downloaded at <http://www.nspcentral.org/awards/>.

Awards History

We've gone through the PDF copies of the Rusty Parka News issues the Division scanned a few years ago and copied and pasted the awards history into an on-line database. There is a lot of cleanup to be done and recent history to be added. Take a look at <http://rej.dyndns.org/cdhistory/> to lookup history by patroller, patrol and region along with Samples, Tips and other how to's.

The Division has recently obtained access to Google Suites including Google Drive and Google Classroom. We are working on posting recent division winning applications to use as samples and other "how to" tips for writing successful applications on Google Drive.



Contact Lori Ringley, ringley@fuse.net, for any questions about Awards. Anyone can make nominations for awards as long as they follow Ohio Region, Central Division, and National guidelines.

My sincerest apologies to Dan Fay of Snow Trails, who was Central Division Runner up Outstanding Instructor for 2019. He was inadvertently left off the list from the awards result article. Dan – I'm so sorry and please everyone congratulate Dan when you see him on the hill! Lori Ringley

Ski Enhancement Seminars, SES's

Investing in YOU this Ski Season!

Attention: Ohio Region Patrollers

The winter season is upon us and as we gear up for our patrol season, this year let's make sure to take time to invest in ourselves and enhance our skiing/riding skills. The NSP-C Ski School, Ohio Region is ready to roll with seven new training opportunities this year. Following is some important information for your consideration:

- **Why should I take an SES? Whether you are a candidate or a seasoned patroller, training for a test or just ready to love skiing even more, training will allow you to freshen your skills, focus on becoming a more effective skier/rider, and to meet your personal objectives. Our Midwest Ski Area Management (MSAA) has made it clear that they want their patrollers to show higher level skills on the hill to improve customer trust in the patrol overall and to "look good". Let's make sure that we do our part. And you will have the opportunity to work with some great skilled instructors in a fun, supportive atmosphere.**
- **When and where are these events held? You can sign up for any location in the region. Following are the scheduled events: Jan 11 Perfect North Slopes, Jan 25 Boston Mills, Jan 25 Paoli Peaks, Jan 26 (Sun) Alpine Valley, Jan 31 (Fri) Perfect North Slopes, Feb 1 Mad River Mountain, Feb 2 (Sun) Snow Trails**
- **What sort of choices would I have for training? We are offering sessions for: General Ski/Ride Development to enhance your skills and enjoyment on the slopes, Senior Alpine Test Prep, workshops for Trainers to enhance their skills with movement analysis and teaching, PSIA testing prep, Tele Ski Development, and Advanced Skiing Dynamics to fine tune your skills to become more dynamic.**

Ready to sign up today? It's easy, just click on this link and you are off to a great experience – SKI/RIDE ENHANCEMENT SIGN UP:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050944A9A628A3F94-ohio>

Thanks for reading this far and hopefully agreeing that this year it's time to invest in you!! I look forward to seeing many of you on the slopes. If you have more questions about the program, feel free to email me directly (nsp@ccrventures.com) or to take a look at more info on the Ohio Region website – SNOWSPORTS SCHOOL, <https://www.ohionsp.org/programs/nsp-c-snowsports-school> , where you can also link to the Sign Up and liability releases, as well as other materials.

**Regards, Cheryl Raudabaugh
Ohio Region Alpine Ski School Advisor**



OEC Program

OEC has of course been super busy this fall with refreshers, candidate classes, and TE sessions for the OECMSP (Senior OEC). Special thanks go to the refresher instructors, Instructor Trainers, QA teams, and those who recently re-certified as Trainer Evaluators for the upcoming Senior test.

Of particular note are the QA heroes who made sure that the following events were properly evaluated: 5 instructor refreshers, 6 refreshers, two written exams, and 3 final practical exams. They also assisted by mentoring new IT candidates and signing off new OEC instructors.

It has been a busy fall indeed!

I would like to call out the Mad River Mountain Patrol, whose IT team provided 2/3 of the QA work this fall. Thank you to Mac Logan, Twyla Southall, Alicia Knapke-Stanley, Jim Vickroy, Wally Taylor, Troy Green and Cheryl Raudabaugh – and some of you twice! We could NOT have had fully QA'd events this fall without you.

Others who participated include: Sander Wechsler, Alex Hermann, Ron Gerdes, Dave Walker, Bruce Heichelbech, Julie DuChane, Brian Monroe, and Dave Baumlein. And welcome IT candidates Wally Taylor and Marge Ricksecker.

News to Note

- The 6th edition is in process, with a determination to complete it this spring. Watch carefully for news about its release, as well as IT and Instructor updates that will be provided prior to refreshers and new candidate classes for 2020.
- Pelvic injury protocol description in the recent Patrol magazine: Some might think that, because the article advocated for the use of the BEAN lift instead of the log roll when managing this injury, the current Standard of Training remains unchanged at this time. The use of the log roll is what we have in the OEC 5th, and this is what our SoT is. While the protocol might change – and as you know it can – until there is an official announcement provided to us through either a new textbook or via our National Program and Division leaders, we stick to the 5th!
- In 2020 we will hold a series of Instructor Trainer review sessions. Anyone who wishes to remain an IT after December 31, 2020 must attend on these events. Please watch for times and dates – probably after ski season ends and running through next fall – so that you don't miss them.
- We are having some challenges with instructors having their status “dropping off” their NSP profile. Please check your status and, if you have “dropped” please contact me immediately, at alidamoonen@gmail.com. I am working with our Division OEC Supervisors, Kim and RaeAnn, to get this sorted out.
- OEC “Senior” weekend is coming up fast – January 10-12th, in fact, at Mad River Mountain. We need as many Senior TEs, trained patrollers, and expert patients as possible. Please contact our Senior Training Coordinator, Janet Glaeser, at janet7409@cox.net, or me, at alidamoonen@gmail.com, and we will be happy and grateful to have you participate.

Thanks all, and may you have a fantastic ski season!

Alida Moonen, ROA, Ohio Region



Senior Program

Change of Focus for the OEC Module of the Senior Program



At the Spring Division Meeting in Chicago the assembled OEC Region Administrators and Senior Test Coordinators made the decision to change the focus of the OEC Module of the Senior Program (OECMSP) from a test focus to one emphasizing continuing education and skills improvement. The goal is to encourage patrollers to become involved in the training program regardless of whether or not they chose to do the final evaluation. Past candidates for the OECMSP have noted, whether they were successful at the test or not, that their confidence in their skills and their ability to manage an accident scene were much improved. Since skills tend to deteriorate if they are not used, and since the OECMSP has an OEC skill component along with scene management and leadership components, participation could provide any patroller the opportunity to gain skills and confidence as a result of the training without having to go through the test if they prefer not to.

This fall, there were 3 Trainer Evaluator (TE) clinics in which our region TEs learned about the Division's change of focus as well as participating in Senior level scenarios as both lead patroller on the scene and evaluators. These clinics help the TEs prepare for both the candidate training programs held at each of the areas and the final evaluation for trainees choosing to take the test.

For those choosing to take the test, the 2020 test weekend – January 11-12 – is to be held at Mad River Mountain. At the time of this writing there are about 14 candidates for the OECMSP and a number of them also intend to participate in the Aid Room Module. We wish all the candidates the best of luck at the test, and want to say a big Thank You to the numerous region TEs and patrollers who have agreed to participate as patients, trained help, and any of the other positions needed to make the test day a success.

For more information please visit the Ohio Region's website Senior Program page <http://www.ohionsp.org/programs/senior>. If you can't find what you're looking for or if you have additional questions, feel free to contact me.

OEC Senior Test Coordinator,
Janet Glaeser (janet7409@cox.net).



Certified Program

Central Division Certified Program

The Certified Program trains patrollers to serve within the region, division, and nationally in a wide variety of leadership roles and capacities. The group

Here's what you need to know:

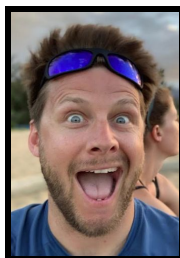
- The Ohio Region website is a great resource to learn more:
www.ohionsp.org/programs/certified
- A qualification clinic is held at the beginning of every year to qualify new candidates AND allow patrollers to observe and learn more about the program.
 - The date for that is January 11/12, 2019. Location is Perfect North Slopes
- Those interested in qualifying must meet certain criteria and have completed an application by December 31, 2019. The criteria and application can be found on the Ohio Region webpage (www.ohionsp.org/programs/certified).
 - Completed apps must be turned into Dave McKinley (that's me) before December 31, 2019. Email: davemckinley4@yahoo.com if you have any questions.
- Those interested in observing at the clinic should send me an email. If you have questions, there are quite a few Certified Patrollers in the Ohio Region that would be excited to talk more.
- The annual Certified Exam will be held at Marquette Mountain in Marquette, MI, February 27-29, 2020.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me – davemckinley4@yahoo.com

Thanks,

Dave McKinley

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Greetings from Ohio Region OET

Depending on the weather, your resort may or may not be open but we are in final planning for this year's OET events. Our focus at this year's Division ASDW Event at Boyne was **THINK TOWARDS TOMORROW.**

We all need to continue learning and encouraging new people to step into leadership and Instructor roles.



This year we are making a strong push to encourage our TOBOGGAN ENHANCEMENT SEMINAR program. Patrollers please take advantage of this fun program and spend a day with us. It's free of charge! There will be Senior Specific courses at PNS & Boston Mills this season. The TES at PAOLI will also be geared to those people who want to know more about becoming OET instructors or new instructors. If you are aware of any Patroller who wish to become (or should become OET Instructors) please contact your area OET IT's or Troy or Myself as we can help you start the journey.

If you are aware of any "new" instructors who need their final check off to be qualified (Official OET Instructors), they may do so at one of the TES dates.

TES DATES ARE.

TOBOGGAN ENHANCEMENT SEMINARS, TES Dates:

SATURDAY: January 18, 2020	PERFECT NORTH SLOPE	C137200003
SUNDAY: January 26, 2020	BOSTON MILLS	C137200006
SATURDAY: February 2, 2020	MAD RIVER MOUNTAIN	C137200009
SATURDAY: February 8, 2020	PAOLI PEAKS	C137200008
SUNDAY: February 16, 2020	SNOW TRAILS	C137200010

To register for a TES, please do so on both the Ohio NSP website <https://www.ohionsp.org/event-sign-up> AND the National Website (Course Schedule) to receive credit for the TES course. Please use the course number listed above for the TES.

Finally, the Central Division Skills Development Program provides valuable resources that you may use to aid your teaching. The skill development website can be found at <http://centraldivision.org>.

As always, if Troy Southwick at tsouthwisk@cc.com or I (bmonroe255@gmail.com) can help you, we are happy to do so.

Brian Monroe, Deputy Ohio Region OET Advisor

Greetings from the Paoli Peaks Ski Patrol!

After months of preparation it's time to Ski! Paoli Peaks Ski Patrol is prepared for a truly EPIC 2019-2020 ski season. Snowmaking at Paoli Peaks Ski Resort commenced on Dec 10 and opened Dec 20, but had to be closed during the holidays due to unseasonably warm weather.

Paoli Peaks Ski Patrol did not hold an OEC course this year. Unfortunately, we had several candidates drop just as the course was set to begin leaving us with a class of 4 candidates. These candidates have been accepted into the Paoli Peaks Ski Patrol and we are committed to working with them through the season with the promise that we will hold an OEC course next year.

Many of you may be unaware that Paoli Peaks is an "upside down" ski resort. At Paoli Peaks the parking area and lodge are at the top of the hill. This arrangement requires that the Ski Patrol transport patients uphill rather than downhill as is more common. This has always been accomplished using snowmobiles to tow the loaded toboggans uphill. Resort management is looking at ways to limit or eliminate the use of snowmobiles on the hill during operating hours. At this time it appears we will begin transporting patients downhill using toboggans in the traditional manner and then transfer to a vehicle for transport uphill. This should make for an interesting ski season as we continue to investigate and improve the process for evacuating injured customers from the resort. Peaks resorts was purchased by Vail and we are in the process of transitioning to a Vail Resort.

Paoli Peaks Patrol Representative,

Joe Collins



Ohio Region Awards Banquet.

On behalf of Paoli Peaks Ski Patrol we would like to invite each of you to the 2020 Ohio Region Awards Banquet. The banquet will be held in conjunction with the Ohio region Spring business meeting in Louisville, KY on May 16, 2020. Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend! More information will be forthcoming.

Louisville offers many activities to keep you and your family entertained. Historic Churchill Downs race track, the home of the Kentucky Derby, is nearby. The spring meet will be underway with racing throughout that weekend. The grounds are also home to the Kentucky Derby Museum. Other museums in Louisville include the Louisville Slugger museum, the Muhammad Ali Museum, the Speed Art museum, and the Frazier history museum. We also have several distilleries you can tour and learn about the production of Bourbon. Just across the river from Louisville, there are historic attractions and also a casino. Close to Paoli Peaks is famous French Lick Springs Hotel and the West Baden Springs Hotel with all their history including a world class golf course and a casino. Check out Louisville, Kentucky attractions on Google or check out French Lick Springs Resort and/or West Baden Springs Resort in Orange County, Indiana for attractions and things to do.





In Memoriam: Bryan Loveless

June 18, 1944 - November 19, 2019

Boyd Bryan Loveless, Jr. devoted husband, father and grandfather passed away November 19, 2019 at his home. He was born June 18, 1944 to Boyd and Jane Loveless in Danville, IL. Bryan served as a Lieutenant in the Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity while attending Miami University. He went on to obtain his Master's in Business Administration at Capital University. Bryan began his career selling computer systems for IBM. Later in his life he became passionate about eating healthy and became a Personal Chef. This passion led him to be the Executive Chef for the Cancer Support Community of Central Ohio for many years.

His love of the outdoors kept him active teaching skiing and snowboarding into his early 70's. He was a member of the National Ski Patrol for over thirty years.

Brian contributed to the Region in leadership, and provided ski and ride training to many Ohio Region patrollers.

In addition, Bryan also was skilled at tennis, fly fishing, hunting, bicycling, rock climbing, kayaking, and sailing. He loved to meet people and learn new things. He is preceded in death by his parents and former wife, Linda Franz. He is survived by his wife Laura Southern, children Bryn (Rebecca O'Leary) Hawklove, Braden (Kate) Loveless and Kathryn Loveless; brother Craig (Linda) Loveless; grandchildren Schuyler and Cameron Hawklove, Finn and Zoey Loveless; step-granddaughter, Abbi Helke; nephews Blake, Jonathan, Patrick and niece Kelsey Loveless. He is survived by his adoptive daughter Butoyi and grandson Tarooq.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 pm, Friday, January 10, 2020 at Broad Street Presbyterian Church, 760 E. Broad St. Columbus, Ohio 43205.

Visit the Ohio Region Website at <https://www.ohionsp.org/> for news, updates, information about programs, and other information!

Ohio Region of National Ski Patrol



Please send any and all articles, photos, & submissions to downhilleeditor@gmail.com. The summer edition will be published June/July of 2020. Send all submissions by May 30, 2020.

Any ski patrol members may send newsworthy items of interest!

Leah H. Morgan, Downhill Editor

