



April '04 SnoJob



Elections**Elections**Elections

With our annual election quickly approaching, all qualifying members interested in running for any one of the various MHSP Council positions, needs to *immediately* send me an e-mail; jd.malowney@verizon.net specifying which position they are interested in. To date the following individuals have indicated their intentions of running for the following positions:

Message from the Senior Trustee
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| President | Bill Boyd |
| Vice President | Lisa Hargrave |
| Patrol Chief | Don Gardner |
| Associate Director | Eric Einspruch |
| First Aid Chief | Rod Hathaway |
| | Paul Podett |
| Secretary | Corinna Kupelwieser |
| Treasurer | Jeffery Weitz |
| Nordic Director | Mike Curtis |
| Junior Trustee | Carl Gatzke |

April General Meeting

April 12, 2004
Meeting Starts @ 7:00 PM
Athey Creek School

Election of Officers

Be There

Fun Day

April 25, 2004
Multorpor Lodge
11:00 AM—4:00 PM

Our Annual Picnic

Additionally, nominations will be accepted from the floor prior to each specific election, but your cooperation in allowing us to conduct the elections via pre-printed ballots would be greatly appreciated. If you wish to vote but are either unable to attend the April 12th meeting or intend to leave early, you need to request an absentee ballot from Corinna Kupelwieser at: ckdk@comcast.net, or **503-720-2509**. In order to be counted, all absentee ballots need to be received by 5:00 PM on April 9th at MHSP, P.O. Box 4384, Portland OR. 97208 or personally turned in to me prior to the start of the April 12th meeting which is scheduled to begin at 6:30 PM. Thanks for everyone's cooperation and I hope to see you at the final General Membership meeting of the year.

Welcome Home to

**Dennis
Glivinski**

First off, Thank you to all who attended the March General meeting and witnessed the record setting Bylaws revision vote. The Meeting adjourned at around 8:00. All revisions passed. Thank you to everyone that shared their thoughts with the Bylaws committee and to the Committee for pouring many hours into the revision. Another important milestone, Associate Director, Eric Einspruch broke the exciting news to the membership that Associate parkas will have a new, more visible cross patch for the back after the May awards banquet. More details in the Associate Director's article.

Message from the President

Bill Boyd
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An important chapter in our history comes to a close. With the implementation of the electronic dispatch we have allowed Dave Wheeler to have his "off the mountain" spare time back. Dave has assembled the last paper dispatch for us. Dave has been the behind the scenes dispatch organizer for the past 20 or so years. (Dave can tell you the exact number). All those forms went to Dave's house, were placed on his wall and then compiled into a usable dispatch. In addition, the Wheeler's made sure they stayed home on Wednesday AND Thursday evenings to take last minute add on calls during the entire ski season. That's dedication and commitment! On behalf of the entire Patrol, I would like to take this opportunity to extend a heartfelt "Thank You" to Dave and Diane Wheeler who have for almost a quarter of a century, given selflessly to the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol.

In the coming weeks our online dispatch will be fully functional and we will all have the opportunity to demonstrate our commitment and dedication.

We will be empowered to show one of our greatest strengths, the ability to rise to the occasion when the needs are there! This new dispatch program will give us accurate, up to date, real time scheduling for the areas we are committed to patrol. We will have the ability to look at the upcoming weekend, or Holiday and be able to add ourselves onto the schedule in a heartbeat when we see those needs. The ski areas we serve rely heavily on our commitment to provide an adequate staff. This program will also give us the flexibility to schedule a patrol day 6 months from now. I know I have my favorite Holidays that I like to Patrol.

The largest impact this will make on each of us will be diligence about getting our minimum number of days in. I encourage each of you to hop onto the dispatch website as soon as you can and fill in those openings. There will be operating instructions further in this edition and also we will be sending notice via the list-serve when the site is fully operational.

Please make it a point to attend the next General meeting on April 12th. We will be voting for the next Council officers and also will be collecting awards nominations. All award recipients from last season, please bring your perpetual award plaques to the meeting for the hand off.

See you there, Bill

It seems like we were just talking about the beginning of the ski season and now we are beginning to think about winding the season down. Where does the time go?

As we approach our annual awards banquet I could use your help. We have several awards to honor folks who have gone above and beyond

Message from the First Aid Chief

Jim Trett

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the norm in their service to the Patrol and the mountain. Two of these awards are directly related to the first aid services we provide on the mountain. If you know of anyone who you feel is deserving of these awards please let me know about them.

The George Anderson First Aid Excellence Award is presented to the patroller, or patrollers, who have demonstrated first aid excellence in a difficult situation. If you observed someone doing a great job in patient care please take a moment and pass along your observations.

The Ralph Wiese First Aid Instructor of the Year Award is presented annually to the patrol first aid instructor who is an example of commitment, service and excellence in providing first aid instruction. Please nominate any First Aid instructor you thought made one of your classes easier to understand, or just made it more fun.

There are several ways you can nominate someone for these awards. Write a letter of nomination to any member of the council. You can electronically make a nomination by going to MHSP-AWARDS@comcast.net. You can email me at jtrett@keizerfire.com with your thoughts. Finally you can pick up the phone and give me a call. Feel free to try any of the numbers in the current roster.

In other First Aid news, please be aware that all areas now have pulse oximeters in their First Aid Rooms. If you have not had an opportunity to “play” with one of these devices, please get it out the next time you are on the mountain. Please remember, the readings can be off if the patient is cold, so be sure to take a pulse the old fashioned way when you first put it on the patient to verify your pulse ox reading.

Ski Bowl Supervisors please be aware that we are currently locking the pulse oximeters in the cabinet with the cell phones in The Palace. Please make sure they get out to the First Aid Rooms in the morning and are returned at the end of the day.

Thanks for all of your efforts this season and keep up the GREAT work.

The Mount Hood Ski Patrol uniform is one important means by which members convey to the public our commitment to excellence. We take pride in our uniform by keeping it neat and in good condition, with all insignia displayed in their proper place.

Associate Director

Eric Einspruch
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This year your Council, with the support of the ski areas we serve, unanimously designated a new backpatch to enhance the visibility of Associate Patrollers and recognition of them by the public. Effective with the May 2004 banquet, the backpatch for the blue outdoor parka worn by Associate Patrollers will be a white cross with a red border and the words "First Aid" in red in the center. The Council will provide all Associate Patrollers with a new backpatch to replace the current backpatch before the end of next season.

I believe this is an important step in that it more clearly communicates to the public the ability of Associate Patrollers, along with Hill and Nordic Patrollers, to provide first aid services. Let us continue in our tradition of excellence.

Other Council News

Please return all perpetual award plaques at the upcoming general meeting on April 12th, 2004.

We (the Council) are entertaining the idea of restructuring our patroller numbering system to be totally sequential, assigned alpha at the banquet and no longer related to your classification.

We have come to a point where the database numbering system is no longer feasible with the 4 different classifications and dual patrollers. We are interested in patroller feedback regarding this idea.

NSP Regional Director's Report

Elections for Regional Director are approaching. At the time of publication of this SnoJob, there are three candidates for this position:

Rod Legg
Glen Owen
Joel Stevens

The Section Chiefs and Patrol Directors are eligible to vote in this election and are listed below.

Section Chiefs

Barlow
Nile River
Wy'East
Mt Hood Meadows

Don Gardner
Bill Boyd
Lisa Hargrave
Rod Legg

SkiBowl
Timberline
Mt Hood Ski Patrol, Inc
Summit
Nordic
Cooper Spur

Patrol Directors

Ulla Brunnette
Randy Carrier
Daniel Dean
Diane Kindall
Jeffrey Hepler
John Gass

Sno News Is Good News

To: MHSP Patrollers

From: Golf Committee

Subject: **John Keyes** Memorial Golf Benefit

With the tournament getting closer, the committee is gearing up to work toward another successful event. We are very excited about the prospects for sponsorship. Nike has committed as well as Columbia Sportswear. Additionally, a longtime participant in the tournament and friend of the Keyes Family likes the festivities of the tournament so much that he has ask to become a member of the committee. Kevin is well connected in the community and has much to bring to the cause.

Once again we are looking to you, the membership, to help us with the following:

- Solicit sponsorships for the tournament
- Put together a golf team of your own or someone you know
- Sell a tee sign
- Auction items or raffle prizes

If you need any specific information that will help you with these things, contact Mark Larson of Jerry Knowlton.

As we prepare for the 8th Annual John Keyes Memorial/ Mt. Hood Search and Rescue Golf Benefit....Presented by our very good friends at Subaru.....We are grateful for the participation that we have received from you, the patrol. Each year it gets better and better. If you haven't been involved before, ask around and talk to those who have. I am certain they will all tell you about the fun times we all have had and the tremendous satisfaction that is realized in helping raise a significant amount of money in honor of John Keyes.

Now that the ski season is winding down, we hope to see you in the coming months as we all get ready for a great golf tournament!

Thank you,

The MHSP Golf Committee

Lifetime Patrol Number

We have come to a time in our growth that has created an opportunity. As you all know, we have several classifications of MHSP patrollers, all united, taking care of the year round recreation community on Mt. Hood.

When Hank Lewis and Barney MacNab started the Mt Hood Ski Patrol in 1937, there was but 1 group, just plain "patroller". Now we have many. Hill, Associate, Nordic, Dual and Associate Medical. All patrollers. With the creation of these different groups brings challenges to the data management process. Potentially 5 different sets of records based on classifications. When a patroller changes over to a different classification, often times so does their patrol number. Quickly you can see that information becomes fragmented and difficult to follow over the course of time. Especially when the time comes to present awards.

Your Council is entertaining the concept of changing our patroller numbering system to a strictly numeric system, no longer sorted by patrol classifications.

An example of implementation would be: All current apprentices, transfers and carryovers would be organized alphabetically and issued patrol numbers accordingly at the coming banquet. All Nordics, including apprentices would also be included in the new system. Dual, Hill and Associate members would be grand-fathered in with their current patrol numbers as we don't have any overlapping active numbers issued as yet.

Under the proposed system, when you list your lifetime patrol number on any patrol document that requires, it will always be your personal number but you would add your classification letter preceding it. This would only be for ease of reading and not for record keeping purposes. If you decide to change classifications, your lifetime patrol number would always follow you.

Please provide your comments to the Council on this idea before the next Council meeting on April 20th.

Thanks, Bill Boyd

Sno News Is Good News

Great News!

Sgt. (and MHSP Associate) Dennis Glivinski returned home safely from his 13 month military duty in Iraq. Dennis returned without a scratch. Many close calls, always on the alert and he worked in high temperatures that you would not believe, 157! Dennis said after being in those temps., when it dropped to 112, it felt cold. Dennis also wanted everyone to know how much it meant to him to get letters and e-mails from all of you. It really helped make it bearable. If you get a chance, give Dennis a call before he has to go back to his civilian job and chat a bit. Don't try to e-mail him as he has no computer, yet. He hopes to attend the next General meeting and share some of his experiences with us.

See you later, Bill

Too Much Fun!

Patrolling is fun and fulfilling, and the only thing more fun than actually Patrolling is bragging about our Patrol! I've had the absolute pleasure of speaking before several groups

this year through our newly organized Ambassador Program. I've presented to Scout Troops, Rotary, and Ski Clubs, with audience members from 11 to 90 years old.

I usually start with a short history of our Patrol then give a safety message or something specific to the needs of the group. For the Scouts, I gave a snow cave and camping talk, for the Bergies and Rotary it was about winter clothing and avalanche awareness. For the ski clubs, I mentioned helmets, courtesy and safety. All of this is now bundled in a series of PowerPoint presentations complete with speaker notes. The Patrol was gifted a laptop from IBM (thanks to Rod Legg) and we purchased an LCD projector for the shared use of the Ambassador Program, and now I'm hoping to recruit a Patroller or two to help take this program to more groups next year. I estimate that 500 people heard the talks this year, and I'd love to double that number next year. Are you interested in helping? I guarantee it'll make you smile!

Cheers,
Mac Sheldon

Training News

Mass Casualty Incident Scenario

Have you ever wondered how a scene is managed when there are a large number of patients? How is triage and transportation organized? What roles do the ski area employees have? What roles do Mount Hood Ski Patrollers have? How do those on the scene interface with the Emergency Medical System? How would you apply these concepts in other situations?

We are fortunate that Timberline Ski Area has once again provided us with an opportunity to learn and practice the skills necessary to handle a Mass Casualty Incident (MCI). All

patrollers (Hill, Associate, Nordic, Transfer, and Apprentice) are invited to participate in this unique training opportunity. Hill Captains and Associate Supervisors are especially encouraged, given their leadership roles in the patrol. If you wish to participate, you must sign up by e-mailing me by March 31. This will be a two-day training at Timberline: a classroom day on Saturday, April 10 (come prepared having studied the assigned material) and the scenario itself on Sunday, May 2. I look forward to training with you then.

Eric Einspruch, AS461
MCI Scenario Coordinator
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Training News

Lifelight Training

To all those interested.....

Below are some dates to have the Life Flight Helicopter come up to Timberline for general education on air medical transportation and most importantly Safety around the helicopter. This is being open to staff at Timberline as well as members of the MHSP since we would be involved if on the weekends. It will also help for the participation of Life Flight with the MCI Drill on May 2nd.

Even if you have had some past experience with helicopters or with Life Flight, you are encouraged to participate due to changes that have occurred along the way from both medically speaking and in requesting the helicopter that you may not be aware of. Again, most importantly is from the SAFETY aspect and even review of this is needed! There are different types of helicopters in use now, just within the last year. This may be different to what you have used in the past, so please make sure to update yourself.

Of course, all of this is weather and medical call dependant, but here is what is lined up currently: (Note Change of some dates!!)

April 5th, Monday 2:00pm at Timberline. There will be a general presentation and then viewing of the helicopter and requirements 2:30pmish.

April 10th, Saturday 11:00am at Timberline. Then viewing of the Helicopter and safety aspects approximately 12 noon.

Depending on weather or medical calls, the physical visits by the helicopter maybe delayed for a bit. The presentation on both dates will occur regardless of whether or not the helicopter can come. To help aid in knowing how many people to possibly expect, please let me know if your planning on attending and which day. Please feel free to email or phone me questions.

Thanks again,
Jodie Jeffers, Associate
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Mt Hood Ski Patrol Fun Day 2004



To All MHSP Members and their Families:

The 2004 Fun Day has a NEW date for fun and frolicking.

This year's festivities will be held at Multorpor Lodge on Sunday April 25th, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

As always, this is a family event. Come prepared to partake in food, beverages, a silent auction, games, prizes and raffles.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

For more information contact Peggy.OLeary@comcast.net