

# Snojob



## March 2017

### Banquet, May 13 at Timberline Lodge

Cheap rooms: Standard queen \$165.00 – Queen w/twin or double \$185.00  
Call 800-547-1406 to reserve your room. Please tell them you are part of the Mt Hood Ski patrol event.

April 13 last day to get discounted rooms.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

### Past Presidents where are they now

Jaye Miller Carlson, President



Rumor was many of our past presidents had left the patrol. Not true. Not only are most of them still involved I've asked some of them what did they gained by taking this office.

I gained the ability to talk in front of a group. From the shy person that sat in the back, blushed when I had to stand. I can now stand with confidence and know that I won't turn crimson red have someone start to call 911.

Here's the list of pass President and their status.

Jim Trett – 2013-2015	* Still active
Steve Eversmeyer – 2011-2013	* Still active
John Gastineau – 2009-2011	* Still helping with training
Joel Stevens – 2007-2009	* Still active
Lisa Wilberding Hargrave – 2005-2007	* Still active
Bill Boyd – 2003-2005	* Left due to life changes
Mac Sheldon – 2001-2003	* Left after a new job
Mike Klein – 1999 – 2001	* Still active
Gordy Winterrowd – 1997-1999	* Still active
Mark Larson - 1995 – 1997	* Left after moving.

**Mark Larson:** The honor and pleasure to preside over the oldest volunteer ski patrol in the nation! To work with the many different personalities within the patrol as well as those at the area level. It improved my ability to speak to groups and feel more confident presenting information to a wide range of people. It also improved my organizational process in my professional and personal life. When you look at the history of MHSP and the number of members to have graced the slopes, to be one of the few members who were chosen by their peers to serve as President is truly an honor and one I never took lightly. I'm very proud of my 27 years with MHSP and my term as President is one of my prized highlights.

**Mike Klein:** The main thing I got from serving was an opportunity to improve facets of patrolling that I thought we were deficient. Basic tools like new radios, transceivers, first aid gear. Also, improved finances by working with the areas to increase contributions.

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**Gordy Winterrowd:** In looking at the list of Past Presidents 70% of People Leading the Patrol over the past 20-year timespan are still active with the Patrol. There are multiple reasons the majority have continued to stay involved. My reasons to remain engaged include the personal gains, feeling of accomplishment associated with Community Service, and the friendships developed over the past 49 years. It is a large organization, one where regardless of the talents of the individual there is room for all to contribute. It is an honor to lead a group with the quality of individuals we have on the Mount Hood Ski Patrol. The more one contributes to an organization, the greater the rewards. Serving in a leadership position in any organization provides a perspective that typically can't be gained otherwise. Having the opportunity to serve with a talented team to develop a vision, chart a direction, set priorities, and then see the positive outcomes is very rewarding.

**John Gastineau:** Being president of MHSP was the first time I was really in charge of something that mattered. Getting everyone pulling in the same direction, helping people find their best skill matches, and watching them grow into those positions, is what it is all about. Helping a community of confident, contributing people grow is a privilege. Some ask why I faded after being president—a string of minor injuries, none significant alone, added up to something that really took the edge off my riding skills. So, I've chosen to focus on training patrollers in avalanche skills. I love teaching.

Thank you, Mark, Mike, Gordy and John for your input.  
Rumor dispelled.

Now it's time to get out on the slopes and join your fellow patrollers for great snow, great times and more memories.

See you on the mountain.

## PATROLLER INFORMATION

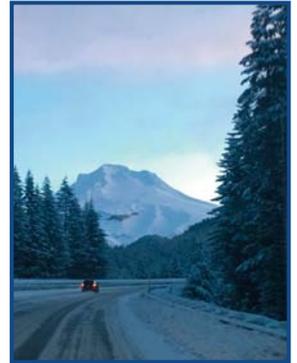
### Preparing for April 2017 Elections

Scott Collier, Senior Trustee

The nominating committee consists of Jaye Miller, Sean McLoughlin, Eric Einspruch, Sue Bishop, Joel Stevens, Matt Wood and Scott Collier.

The election may not be until April but it is time to start preparing for it. In April we will be electing the **President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Patrol Chief, First Aid Chief, Associate Director, Nordic Director, Host Director and Junior Trustee**. We will be seeking nominations for all these positions at each of the February, March and April monthly meetings.

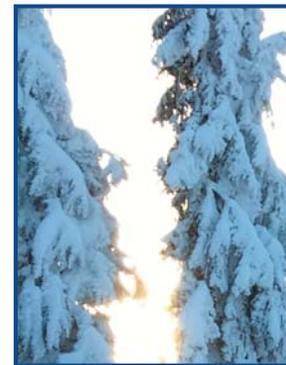
The nominating committee is seeking out good candidates for each of the above listed offices. Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the monthly meetings. Please consider if you would be interested in running for any of the offices. If so please let me or anyone on the nominating committee know. Also some of you will be contacted by the committee and seeking you to run for office. If you have any ideas and would like the committee to approach someone for a particular office let us know. Over the next few months you will be getting emails and hearing announcements at our monthly meetings; please help the patrol in selecting the best people for these offices.





# PATROLLER INFORMATION

## Proposed Bylaw Changes



The MHSP Executive Council is recommending several bylaws changes that have come out of our “MHSP Vision 2020” initiative. Please read the explanations below along with the current and proposed bylaws language. There will be a **vote** of the membership on the proposed bylaw changes at the **April General Meeting**.

### MEETINGS:

We are proposing that we change the number of meetings the patrol is required to hold. The current bylaws require a total of 7 membership meetings, one per month from October to April. Attendance at these meetings has trended downward for many years, and so a simple solution is to hold fewer, more impactful meetings that everyone will want to attend. The proposed bylaws change would reduce the number of required meetings from 7 down to 3, with the only required date as the annual meeting for elections in April. This will allow the council to hold a “season kick off” meeting, a mid-year meeting, and then the elections.

### ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS

#### Section 1 General Meetings:

##### WAS:

A. The general meetings of the membership shall be held monthly from October to April at such date, time and location as shall be determined by the Executive Council.

##### CHANGES:

A. The general meetings of the membership shall be held at such date, time and location as shall be determined by the Executive Council. No less than three general meetings shall be held each fiscal year, October, February and with the April meeting for the purpose of electing officers.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Second, we are proposing adding language about how officers of the Patrol are elected. The purpose for the change is to allow for electronic voting for officers. This is almost a no-brainer in 2017. The technology necessary for an online vote exists, it is easier, and it will hopefully drive higher participation in elections. Election of officers in 2017 will follow the traditional method. We will attempt to have electronic voting capability in place by 2018.

### ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL:

#### Section 3 Election of Officers:

##### WAS:

E. At the February, March and April general meetings, the Chairman of the Nominating committee shall publicly announce the name of the office; the first and last names of the nominees for that office then call for additional nominations from the floor for that office. This process shall be repeated for each office in the same order as specified for the voting on each office. Those so nominated will then be included in any subsequent publication of the list of nominees.

F. Elections of officers and trustees shall be at the regular April membership general meeting, which is will be the annual meeting of the Patrol.



**CHANGES:**

E. Remove this bullet

F. Elections of officers and trustees shall begin at the April general meeting, which will be the annual meeting of the Patrol, and must be completed within 14 days.

**REMOVE REFERENCE TO NSP IN THE BYLAWS**

As background, it is important to know that MHSP is a separate entity from NSP. NSP was formed, as an organization, after MHSP, and we have our own 501c3 status with the IRS. Most volunteer patrols, and Regions and Divisions use the NSP Tax ID, so are fiscally and organizationally attached to NSP.

Regardless, the National Ski Patrol organization has decided they want to directly interact with members of their organization. For example, MHSP can no longer collect dues nor schedule a member in a training class. NSP would like its members to do this directly. We think NSP will improve its systems and do a better job next year, so you will be dealing directly with NSP in these matters.

As a result, we are proposing to remove the NSP references from our Bylaws. This in no way changes our organizational structure; we are not “leaving NSP” since we never were formally tied to the organization. And, as you will see in the edits, there was only 2 direct references; requiring you to be a member, so we could facilitate and enforce that membership.

NSP now works with you directly to keep up your membership and schedule training sessions that you wish to have recorded in the NSP records. We will continue to utilize NSP as the certification body for most of our training.

**ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP:**

**Section 1 Categories:**

**WAS:**

C. Members must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

D. Patroller members must be members in good standing of the National Ski Patrol. Mountain Host members are not required to be members of the National Ski Patrol.

**CHANGES:**

C. Members must be at least eighteen (18) years of age.

D. Remove this bullet

**Section 5 Apprenticeship Requirements:**

**WAS:**

E. All Apprentices must pay dues as specified by the Executive Council, and except for Mountain Hosts, must be members of the National Ski Patrol System.

**CHANGES:**

E. All Apprentices must pay dues as specified by the Executive Council.



# MOUNTAIN HOST OPERATIONS

**Mountain Host Director**  
Mike Cullen, Mountain Host Director



## OPERATIONS REMINDERS

I have listed below some reminders on a few important topics. The more times we talk about it, the easier it is to know exactly what to do quickly. A few moments spent doing some refresher reading may be a great help when needed.

## OVER DUE GUEST REPORT

We get many reports each busy day about a concern for a guest that has been separated from their friend or family.

Our response to these concerns needs to be **very formal at all times**.

- Inform the guest that patrol has an “Over Due Guest” search protocol if they wish to request it.
- If YES: Help **connect the guest with patrol**. This will usually be a radio call to inform dispatch that a guest wants to file an overdue guest report.
- Assist dispatch as requested. This might be to escort the guest to the First Aid room to file a report.
- Share with dispatch any sense of urgency that a reporting guest may have.

Hosts will be requested by dispatch to assist in a search once information has been collected.

## HOSTS AT 1050'S

Hosts responding and helping at 1050's is usually “priority #1” over our normal duty stations. The SNO CAT duty is the only station we cannot leave vacant.

Our mission is to help secure the scene by diverting traffic. This creates a safer environment for the guest and the patroller.

1. Position yourself uphill to divert traffic.
2. Use your equipment and any other available equipment to establish the “stay clear” zone.
3. If you arrive prior to patrol, inform the guest that patrol is on the way and then proceed with steps #1 & #2 quickly.
4. While stationed uphill, stay close enough so that the patroller can communicate with you if your assistance is needed.

The steps listed above are the standard guidelines that apply to most 1050's.

A secure scene is essential for the safety of everyone involved.

## CALLING DISPATCH

It is very important that most calls to dispatch be kept as short as possible so dispatch can use the channel next.

- Call: Dispatch, Host “your name” = that's it (3 words is the perfect initial call).
- Wait: Give them time to respond.
- Inform: There is a 1050 @ “give location” = STOP = no more details needed at this time.
- Wait: Give them time to respond.
- Answer questions: Keep it as short as possible.
- Stay on patrol channel until they arrive = then switch back to host channel.



# FROM THE MOUNTAIN

## News (North, East, West and South) from **SUMMIT ... the fun place to be.**

Diane Potter, APC



February 4 was an awesome day. We hosted **19 Girl Scouts** and they all wanted to know what Ski patrollers do. They experienced what happens in the First Aid Room, how we transport guests with the Snomo/dog sled. They learned about the protocols for the tube hill and ski lift. The feedback I received from their team leader was they all had a great time.

**Snow Days** is a program based in Portland that gives young people that would otherwise not be able to a day of fun on the mountain. For years they have been coming to Summit. I am looking for old Ski Patrol pins to give out to the kids. If you or anyone you know would like to donate, please let Dave or myself know or you can leave them at the Govy building with a note saying they are for Summit.

Thank you from Diane and Dave your APC's at Summit

## Women Toboggan Enhancement Seminar

heather Van Houten, OET IT

**Ladies** we are planning a Women Toboggan Enhancement Seminar this **APRIL!** We are in the midst of coordinating instructors and dates, so stay tuned for more information. If you would like to receive updates regarding this clinic please email heather, [SnojobEditor@mthoodskipatrol.org](mailto:SnojobEditor@mthoodskipatrol.org).



## NORDIC

### News

Jeff Hepler, Nordic Director

We are having a terrific season at Teacup Lake Ski Area with excellent snow and high use. Area coverage has been excellent. Two new Nordic Apprentices have completed OEC (Tom Morrow and Gavin Giovagnoli) and are having a positive impact on patrol services.

Steve Potter is instructing an **MTR 1 course** along with Joel Stevens. These courses often result in Alpine and Associate Patrollers becoming "dual" Nordics – a critical component of the Nordic team.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Hosting the Washington School for the Blind (WSSB) on **March 7-8**
- "Teacup Days" party and lessons on **March 12.**

With current snow conditions the area is expected to remain in groomed operation until **April 1 or later.** More details on Teacup Lake Ski Club can be found at <http://www.teacupnordic.org/>

With **recruitment day approaching** please drop a note to your experienced Nordic friends about MHSP. Teacup Lake Nordic Club has posted a recruitment notice on their website to help us out. The Nordic team needs to gain about 3 patrollers each year to reach an optimum size of 24 members.

Feel free to send inquiries to [nordicdirector@mthoodskipatrol.org](mailto:nordicdirector@mthoodskipatrol.org).

Thanks for volunteering!

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# FUNDRAISING

## 2017 Bike Team Race Support

Mike Anderson



Are you ready to help MHSP make over \$5000 in donations in 2017 by supporting races throughout the metro area? We have got an incredible schedule of races already planned and on the dispatch, here is the breakdown:



- **Cinco de Mayo** 5/7/17 Downtown Portland
- **Grateful Dad** 6/17/17 Gresham Oregon
- **Rose City Relay** 7/22/17

A brand new race covering over 60 miles starting at Mt Hood Community College and circling the Portland Metro area, using teams of 4-6 people. More info coming.

- **Sunset on the Springwater** 8/5/17  
An evening run from Sellwood out and back along the Springwater Corridor
- **Vancouver USA Marathon** 9/17/17  
Our largest and original bike team event has moved to a new date in September.
- **Gorgeous Relay** 9/17/17  
Running 60 miles from outside Cascade Locks and into the heart of Portland, the Gorgeous Relay is truly Gorgeous. Experience the Historic Columbia River Highway on its 100th Anniversary as it winds past waterfalls, creeks and forests.

- **Country Girl Half** 9/23/17  
The race route uses Marine Drive starting near the airport along the Columbia River
- **Run Like Hell Half** 10/22/17  
Downtown Portland where the racers run in costume and end up at Pioneer Place.

This year we can earn approximately \$5200 for helping with these races. We need patrollers to ride bikes, man first aid stations and the hosts to help at the finish line and the first aid stations.

**Sign up on the dispatch**

More information is available at the following websites:

[www.Terrapinevents.com](http://www.Terrapinevents.com)

[www.runvum.com](http://www.runvum.com)

[www.gorgeousseries.com](http://www.gorgeousseries.com)



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## YAP

Moira Bono

Have you seen the young ladies wearing green bibs shadowing with patrollers on the mountain? Well they are Korrie MacIntyre and Olivia

Harms who are registered Youth Adult Patrollers. Their coaches Dave MacIntyre, Matt Harms and Mike Levis have skied with them at Ski Bowl and Timberline doing everything from opening assignment to shadowing cases. They also spent a day at Meadows being patients in the sleds for Senior Toboggin training. So far, they've had five days on the hill and have had the opportunity to get in the handle of a sled with the apprentice training. They will be continuing their training at the Summit for the Senior OEC and more days on the hill. If you see them say hello.



## OFF THE MOUNTAIN

### Relay For Life

Ed Taylor

Saturday July 8 is the Western Washington County (formerly Forest Grove) American Cancer Society Relay for Life from 10:00 am to 11:00 pm at Tom McCall Upper Elementary School.

This is an annual fundraising event in Forest Grove to benefit the American Cancer Society and fight back against cancer. It would be great to put together a team in memory of Judy Howell who was an active participant for eight years with this local Relay For Life and show our support to Cleo, his family, and to help fight cancer.

Stay tuned for more details from Ed Taylor who is coordinating the launch of the team registration with Relay For Life of Western Washington County.

### General Meeting Information

Matt Rea, Junior Trustee

The **March 13** General Meeting will be held at the **Lucky Labrador Brew Pub on SE Hawthorne Blvd.** The private event space is reserved from **6:30 to 9:30 PM**. This will be an almost entirely social meeting. The only business to be conducted will be from the Nominations Committee—they will be taking nominations for Executive Council. There will also be opportunity to discuss proposed bylaws changes. We are encouraging all members to attend, have some refreshments, eat some good pub food and brag loudly about what an **EPIC** ski season 2016–2017 has been.

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915 SE Hawthorne Blvd.  
Portland, OR 97214

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# CALENDAR

For a complete listing see the official MHSP calendar at [www.mhspdispatch.org](http://www.mhspdispatch.org)

## March

- 4 Ski the Glade
- 6 Council Meeting
- 12 Daylight Savings
- 13 General meeting – Social  
Lucky Labrador Brew Pub  
SE Hawthorne Blvd. 18:30
- 20 Snojob Deadline

3 Council Meeting

## April

- 10 General meeting – Portland Providence Medical Center
- 13 Last day to get Timberline Lodge discounted rooms for Banquet
- Women Toboggan Enhancement Seminar – Date TBD @ Ski Bowl
- 17 Snojob Deadline
- 25 Alumni Lunch

## May

- 1 Council Meeting
- 13 Ski Patrol Banquet – Timberline
- 15 Snojob Deadline