



Mt. Hood Ski Patrol **Snojob**

April 2016



Save the Date

Awards Banquet for Hosts and Patrollers

May 14, 2016 at the Red Lion on the River, Portland, Oregon

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Advertising

By *Jaye Miller, President, HP/AP 1437*



Time to Brag

“Hi, I’m Jaye Miller from the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol, may I help you?” We’ve learned this phrase from the beginning of our OEC class. Offering to help is natural and for some of us, the reason we joined. But not many of us find it easy to translate the work we do for this great organization into advertising, promoting, or bragging about our group.

Many of you have done the calculations. We need more members! There will be another opportunity for Tryouts on May 22, which gives each of us time to promote, advertise, and brag to increase our membership. I challenge each member to talk or brag to at least ten people about this organization and get at least one of them to come to Tryouts, May 22.

If you look at the *In the News* section on our website, you’ll see how little we promote ourselves. In the future, we will increase our publicity with the help from our Public Relations committee.

Hi, I’m Jaye Miller with the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol and I need YOUR help. Please get fliers up at your office or office building, churches, and community centers. Please put a flyer in your car’s passenger window. It’s time to brag.

Ski Patrol Tryouts May 22

By *Cleo Howell, Vice President, AS 1444*

We held tryouts for MHSP on March 5 and we extended invitations to 27 people to attend the Orientation Day in June. Our goal is to get 35 people to start the OEC course in September. We will hold another tryout on May 22 at Timberline.

You are the best recruiter for Mt. Hood Ski Patrol.

If you know of someone who is interested in joining MHSP please have them go to the MHSP public website to see details for the tryout. There are ready-to-use posters on the MHSP Wiki. Go to the Wiki, Administration, then click Recruitment Posters. We encourage you to post the posters wherever you can, such as at your work, gym, church, community center, etc.

ELECTIONS

Elections

We will be electing officers to the Executive Council at the April general meeting. Please attend the meeting, or if you absolutely are unable to attend, vote by absentee ballot. It is very important for all members to vote, as the bylaws require a quorum for the election to be valid.

Absentee ballots for Patrollers and Hosts are available at the end of this Snojob. Absentee ballots are also posted on the MHSP website wiki. To access the ballots on the wiki, go to: <http://www.mthoodskipatrol.org/wiki/>

Use your patrol number and dispatch password to log in. Scroll down the left side to the Administration section and select Absentee Ballot.

Absentee Ballots must be received at the MHSP Post Office Box (MHSP, PO Box 4384, Portland, OR 97208) by 5:00pm, Friday April 8, 2016, or they may be delivered by hand to Tom Payne, prior to 7:00pm on Monday, April 11, 2016.

2015-2016 AWARDS AND BANQUET

Awards Nominations

By Jaye Miller, President, HP/AP 1437

It's now time for us look at our wonderful members and ask who should be recognized. We ask you to review from the last banquet (May 2015) and let us know if there is someone you believe should be nominated for any of the awards below.

If you have a nominee, please send your email to president@mthoodskipatrol.org or any other Council member by April 20th. We have a special awards meeting planned.

In your email, please include the award, the member's name, and a short statement on why they deserve the award.

- **Bent Pole Award** for the best crash (generally resulting in embarrassment or injury) suffered in the course of duty.
- **Rod Morrison Apprentice of the Year** is presented to the Hill Apprentice who demonstrates superior attitude, dedication and leadership potential.
- **Barney Macnab Patroller of the Year** is presented to the Hill Patroller who demonstrates superior commitment, service and excellence.
- **Jerry Edgar Hill Captain of the Year** is presented annually to a Hill Captain who is judged to be an example of leadership, service and competence in those many skills that make a patroller valuable.
- **Associate Apprentice of the Year** is presented to the Associate Apprentice who demonstrates superior attitude, dedication and leadership potential.
- **Irv Huppin Associate of the Year** is presented to the Associate Patroller who demonstrates superior first aid, commitment and service.
- **Associate Supervisor of the Year** is presented annually to an Associate Supervisor who is judged to be an example of leadership, service and competence.
- **Outstanding Nordic Patroller** is presented annually to a Nordic Patroller who is judged to be an example of leadership, service and competence.
- **Outstanding Mountain Host of the Year** Demonstrates an outstanding commitment to the Mountain Hosts, a positive attitude and excellent people skills. Host is knowledgeable about the resorts and services available

and goes the extra mile to help guests. Host is also a good example to fellow Hosts and is a mentor to apprentices.

- **Host Apprentice of the Year** The recipient of this award has exceeded the requirements and standards of the Mountain Host Apprentice. Host has shown an eagerness to train and become accomplished at all the duty stations, and has exhibited excellent people skills. Host has become knowledgeable about the resorts and available services and goes the extra mile to help guests.
- **Outstanding Mountain Host Supervisor of the Year** The recipient of this award provides outstanding leadership and commitment to the Mountain Host program. Host is knowledgeable about the duties of the Host Supervisor and executes them with skill and enthusiasm. Host is also a good example to fellow Hosts and exhibits excellent communication skills. Host ensures that assignments and responsibilities are covered, takes into consideration the special needs and events of the resorts, and can successfully interface with resort management.
- **George Anderson First Aid Excellence** is presented to patroller(s) who have demonstrated first aid excellence in a difficult situation. This award is not necessarily presented every year.
- **Ralph Wiese First Aid Instructor of the Year** is presented annually to the patrol first aid instructor who is an example of commitment, service and excellence.
- **John Keyes Meritorious Service** is presented to individuals who have provided special service and support in non-patrolling areas. Recipients may be non-active, alumnus members.
- **Dave Hitchcock Avalanche Service Award** is presented to Patrollers who have performed exceptional service in running the Mt Hood Ski Patrol's Avalanche Training.

Special Hotel Rate for Awards Banquet

Jaye Miller 1437 HP AP

Offer Expires April 23, 2016.

If you want to stay the night of, night before, and/ or the night after the banquet, we have a great rate of \$135.00 per night for 2 Queen Beds with 2 occupants. 3 occupants is \$145.00 and 4 occupants is \$155.00

Please contact Jaye Miller for the codes to get this great rate.

PATROLLER OPERATIONS

Nordic News

By Jeff Hepler, Nordic Director, 30006

On March 7 and 8, the Washington School for the Blind brought students and staff to Teacup Lake to ski. Mt. Hood Nordic Ski Patrollers Rod Legg, Matt Hickok and Jeff Hepler provided coverage for this important school event. This is just one example of the special people and programs at Teacup Lake. As the season draws to a close I encourage all Nordic patrollers to get in a few more days. Your presence at the area provides welcome assurance to guests that help is never far away as they ski the groomed trails.

Thanks again for your service as a Nordic patroller on Mt. Hood.

MOUNTAIN HOST OPERATIONS

Mountain Host Director

By Mike Cullen, Mountain Host Director, HS 60009



Host Recruitment

It's been awhile since we did recruitment for Timberline, as the focus has been on building up our Skibowl membership. We are now looking to recruit equally for both resorts. If you know someone that is interested and would be a good fit, please contact Gery Schirado or myself and we'll send them information and get the ball rolling.

MHSP Banquet Includes Hosts

You will find a lot of information in this edition of the Snojob about the MHSP AWARDS BANQUET. I'll let that information address all of the details about where and when.

I would like to focus attention on the benefits of having as many Hosts as possible attend. We had a strong showing last year, and hope to do even better this year.

OK, here are some thoughts about why you should attend:

- This is the single function each year that draws members together in a social setting to relax and reminisce about our favorite past-time, skiing and helping guests.
- Hosts are a part of MHSP, and this function will help you connect with how well organized and how well structured patrol is.
- Members are recognized for achievements and advancement. The more support the better.
- We get to dress up a little, yes, this means something other than our usual ski attire. You will be amazed at how different we all look, and it is FUN.
- EXTRA SPECIAL: There will also be a special award. Come see who will be honored. If we have ever had a special occasion to all get together, THIS IS IT.

Operational Summary

We have had a fairly good snow pack this year. This has gone a long way toward bringing hosts to Skibowl. There were even a few days when we had more hosts (15) at Skibowl than we had at Timberline.

We have had a number of great comments coming from guests and management at both Timberline and Skibowl. Great job everyone.

Summit, don't want to forget we launched operations at Summit this season. The folks that have been doing some shifts there have given great reports about how fun it was and how appreciative the resort is. We believe we have a working format to continue into next season with.

HAVE FUN

If there has ever been something really important to keep repeating, this is it.

It is important that we are all having fun while doing our duties for the resorts. If you are having fun, you will radiate that energy to our guests.

OTHER NEWS

Troops Triumph -- Sunday, April 10, 2016

Expired Chits/Vouchers and Host Dispatching

Troops Triumph is a one day event at Timberline that introduces disabled veterans to skiing and snowboarding. Its huge success is due entirely to the time and efforts of volunteers.

For your expired Timberline chits/vouchers, there are envelopes on the bulletin boards in the First Aid Room and Host closet to place them. These enable the athlete, their family, instructors and assistants to ski for free on this day.

Host dispatch for this event will be open on or around April 1. If dispatch is full and you would like to participate in Host duties or in other ways, please let me know!

If you have questions in the meantime, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you in advance for your time and efforts. They truly are appreciated.

Sue Bishop, Mountain Host; 360-450-7858, sbish1808@yahoo.com,

www.troopstriumph.org

In Memorium: Chuck Carlbom, #606

<http://digital.olivesoftware.com/olive/odn/oregonian/shared/ShowArticle.aspx?doc=ORE%2F2016%2F03%2F27&entity=Ar04900&sk=>

Celebration of Life for Shiro Yoshida.

Saturday, April 23, 2-4 pm
East Portland Community Center (near Mall 205)
740 SE 106th Ave., Portland, OR 97216

Please RSVP to Scott Petrie (scott.p64@centurylink.net) so we can plan accordingly for food/drink. Scott will also kindly handle any questions on behalf of the family. The family plans to have many photos and mementos of his life displayed, including his cherished years with the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol.

CALENDAR

For a complete listing see the official MSHP calendar at www.mhspdispatch.org.

April

4 Council Meeting
11 General Meeting
18 Snojob Deadline

May

2 Council Meeting
14 Awards Banquet
16 Snojob Deadline

June

2-4 Nuts and Bolts
6 Council Meeting
20 Snojob Deadline

Host Director Candidate Statement: John Silagi

There are two reasons I want to be your Host Director. First I love the Host Program, joined 27 years ago, and it's a perfect fit with my love of the outdoors and volunteering.

Second, our Host Program is widely recognized as one of the best and it is excellent customer service that sets the standard for our reputation.

Here are two things we can continue to emphasize:

- 1) Focus on exceptional customer service for the customers who love Mt Hood as much as we do.

How? With a commitment to "the customer comes first", and providing the training, standards and tools to do that.

- 2) Ensure the volunteer experience for members is rewarding and enjoyable, by including positive feedback and encouragement.

As always I will work closely with all Mt. Hood Ski Patrol members and partners to ensure open lines of communication and a common goal of exceptional customer service.

Summary of relevant experience:

- Boy Scouts of America – Adult Leader at the Troop, District and Council levels, 23 years
- BPA - Red Cross First Responder for mass casualty incidents, 15 years.
- NW Regional Middle/High School Science Bowls - Moderator & Judge/Timekeeper, 23 years
- Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) – 32 years in project management and planning

As your Host Director, I will devote my efforts to exceeding the expectations of our customers and the volunteer experience.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns at jjsilagi@gmail.com or 503-666-5559.

Thank You.

Host Director Candidate Statement: Mike Cullen

Fellow Hosts,

I am seeking one more term as Host Director in order to see my goals materialize into a reality for the long term benefit of the MHSP Host Division.

It has been my goal to:

- Build opportunities for our active and dedicated younger members to take leadership roles. (much of this has already happened)
- Prepare these great individuals to be future Host Directors.
- Structure us 'old timers' with 20+ years hosting to take a support role instead of a leadership role.

My definition of 'younger members' is: members that have been hosts somewhere between 4 and 12 years. (roughly speaking).

This group is full of talent, quality and ambition. I see many great individuals here, and would love to help them become future Host Directors.

We also have a strong base of folks I referred to as '20+ year old timers' (including myself).

I feel that this group can provide the strong support that will make the whole system function at the highest level.

I won't try to claim any credit for this idea. This is the very format I have witnessed MHSP using during the 11 years we have been part of MHSP. I feel it is a proven formula for a healthy and functional leadership.

And above all, I want to keep the focus on all of us having fun while we perform valuable services for the guests and resorts.

Absentee Ballot Instructions **For the election to be held April 11, 2016**

Absentee ballots must be received by the following deadlines or they will not be counted

- Delivery by mail must be received by 5:00 PM, Friday April 8, 2016 at:
MHSP
P.O. Box 4384
Portland, OR 97208.
- Delivery by hand must be received by Tom Payne, Senior Trustee, at the meeting location (Athey Creek) no later than 7:00 PM on Monday, April 11, 2016.

Absentee ballots must meet the following criteria or they will not be accepted

- Absentee voting must be by the official absentee ballot.
- Absentee ballots must be submitted in a ***sealed envelope bearing the 1) printed name 2) patrol number and 3) signature of the absent member.***

Additional notes

- Only active members are permitted to vote. Apprentices, alumni, and inactive status members are ineligible to vote.
- Before casting an absentee ballot, understand that there may be additional nominations from the floor at the April meeting that you will not be able to consider. You also will not be able to hear the speeches of the candidates or the statements of your fellow members in support of candidates.
- In the case of a runoff, absentee votes for one of the runoff candidates will be counted. Votes for a candidate not in the runoff will be discarded.
- There is a space for a write-in candidate for each office

Questions? Contact Senior Trustee, Tom Payne, tpayne@comcast.net

MT. HOOD SKI PATROL PATROLLER ABSENTEE BALLOT

For the election to be held April 11, 2016

Candidates

President

_____ Jaye Miller

Vice President

_____ Cleo Howell

Patrol Chief

_____ Carl Gatzke

Associate Director

_____ Stephen Giesey

First Aid Chief

_____ Cliff Leighton

Secretary

_____ Gayle Maize Hall

Treasurer

_____ Kevin Havre

Nordic Director

_____ Jeff Hepler

Junior Trustee

_____ Matt Rea

**MT. HOOD SKI PATROL
MOUNTAIN HOST ABSENTEE BALLOT**

For the election to be held April 11, 2016

Candidates

Mt. Host Director

_____ Mike Cullen

_____ John Silagi

Secretary

_____ Gayle Maize Hall

Treasurer

_____ Kevin Havre

Junior Trustee

_____ Matt Rea
