



March '04 SnoJob



March is upon us and I can hardly believe that Winter is almost over. We still have some of the very best patrolling days ahead however. I remember not so many seasons ago that Spring break brought us some excellent overnight snowfall and sunny days to enjoy that fresh powder! Also just ahead, the feeling of excitement when you get up and head out for Patrolling with daylight at both ends of the day! Did I mention the Winter games? Extreme competitions?
SPIF.

Message from the President
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As we near Spring we also near the end of the training for all the apprentices. All those hours spent indoors and out, learning all the facets of the average day's expectations of a ski patroller. Learning the runs at the areas, learning the specifics of opening and closing, taking good care of our patients, and representing the ski areas in the most professional manner. My hat's off to all of the apprentice patrollers this season! Everyone I have had the pleasure of working with has been simply superb!
SPIF.

Thanks go out to all the trainers this year that have not only committed to providing excellent training to our apprentices, but the dedication to continue patrolling on their days off at the areas keeping the knowledge fresh.
SPIF.

Another activity that is coming to completion for some is the Senior program. Several of our patrollers, are or have been, engaged in the pursuit of NSP Senior achievement. Elevated medical management skills, elevated ski & toboggan handling skills, elevated personal development skills all are part of the Senior achievement. Skills that will carry with you for your entire life. Skills that may come in use at your workplace or along the roadside when you least expect it. Once again, my hat's off to those in pursuit and achievement!
SPIF.

The next two general meetings are going to need your attendance. At the March meeting we will be the voting on the revised Bylaws for our Patrol. Each member will have been provided a copy to read and a copy of the specific revisions listed. Please make sure you attend and cast your vote.

The next meeting is the equally important April meeting that will have elections of the next year's council. I encourage all to attend and if you desire, step forward and add your name to the ballot. All offices with exception of Middle and Senior trustee are up for election. Thanks for all the hard work this year and remember,
Ski Patrolling Is Fun!

March General Meeting
March 8, 2004
Meeting Starts @ 7:00 PM
Athey Creek School
Bylaws Revision Vote
Be There

Greetings all! I hope the winter is going well for you! Briefly, I'd like to again remind you of a few things. First, all Associate Patrollers should be sure to complete a **first responder update** this module. Second, please make every effort to **find a substitute when you need one**; this may require a few telephone calls, as sending out an e-mail request may not be enough. Third, please take a few minutes to carefully **review the proposed by-laws revisions** so that you will be well-prepared to vote on them. In addition, please nominate the fellow patrollers who you feel are deserving of the service **awards** to be presented at the banquet in May.

Associate Director
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As always, know that I very much appreciate the effort you put forth serving the skiing public. And please feel free to contact me with any comments, suggestions, or questions you may have.

Gov'y Building Blackout Dates

Because of the Annual Tryouts in the Government Camp on Saturday, March 13th and Sunday March 14th, the Govy Building will not be available for occupancy on Friday, March 12th and Saturday, March 13th.

MHSP Council

GOT SOMETHING TO SAY.

The **Snojob** is available for patroller comments on a space available basis. If you would like to submit an article, please follow these simple rules:

- Submit in MS Word format (Arial 10pt please).
- Resist the desire to be creative with graphics (simple is better for downloading).
- Send article to MHSP Secretary (ckdk@comcast.net) and the Editor (rchenkle@hotmail.com).

Submitted articles will be published on a first come first serve basis if space permits . You will be notified if your article will not appear in the next newsletter.

Sno News Is Good News

To MHSP Patrollers
From Golf Committee
Subject 8th Annual Mt Hood Search & Rescue Golf Benefit
September 12, 2004

The tournament is Six (6) months away and the committee has been working on many aspects of this event; i.e. Sponsorships, Tee Prizes, Team Prizes, Auction items & Teams. This fund raiser is the largest during the year for the Patrol and we need each of you to do what you can in regards to the following:

1. Solicit sponsors for the tournament
2. Put together a golf team
3. Sell tee signs
4. Donating/Soliciting Auction/Raffle items

If you can do one of the above items, it will help the bottom line for the Patrol. We have many players that keep coming back to play because they say this is the best tournament they play in during the year. Get involved and help the Patrol as it is a wonderful organization. The funds you earn today will insure the financial stability of the Patrol in the future.

Continue the good work on the Mountain and look for ways to help us in the Valley.

Thank you,

The MHSP Golf Benefit Committee

Clothing Committee News

As our meeting times come to a close please check your gear for worn or dirty nametags, patches, and other items that need to be replaced. If you place your orders at the March meeting, we'll have your stuff at the April meeting (our last for the season). We'll have the usual assortment of t-shirts, hats, fanny packs, gloves and the ever-handy flashlights.

If you've seen items that you think we should

carry for the patrol, get the information and consider helping out. We all have limited time and other responsibilities. By stepping up, both you and the patrol as a whole will benefit. Talk to Larry Church, Jodie Jeffers, David Locke or Karl Hofmeister for their take on what helping the clothing committee means.

Finally, please bring your checkbook, as we don't have much change on hand.

MHSP E-mail List-Server instructions

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After you are subscribed, send a message with the single word **HELP** in the Subject and you will receive a list of commands to use with the list. If you want to get off the list, send an e-mail with the words **UNSUBSCRIBE** in the subject line. (**Note: for those that have more than one e-mail address, you have to do this from the same e-mail address that you subscribed with**)

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Joel Stevens

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Training News

Avalanche News

Matt Rea and Joel Yoder will be heading up the FINAL AVALANCHE REFRESHER March 20. If you were contacted and didn't make the earlier ones, this is your last chance. Call them to reserve your seat so they don't have to call and bug you again.

Apprentices – Mike will have your certificates if you completed all of the training. Look for them either at the meeting or from your respective coaches.

If you have questions about either of the above please let me know. THANKS

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Mass Casualty Incident Scenario

The past two years our patrol has participated in highly educational Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) scenarios held at Timberline Ski Area. Once again, area management has offered us the unique opportunity to conduct another MCI scenario this spring. If you wish to participate, you must sign up by e-mailing me no later than 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 encourage you to join us for this important event.

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Sled Updates

Just a friendly "spring is in the air" reminder to all Hill Patrollers that sled updates are a yearly mandatory requirement. Every Hill Patroller is expected to fulfill this requirement by arranging a time during a patrol day with a sled update evaluator, if one is available on that day. The update will be a practical review of one person running a Clipper,

unloaded and loaded. The evaluator will coordinate with the Hill Captain to determine an appropriate time during the day and run location for the update. It will be a fun, relaxed update so avoid the late season rush and get it done soon!

Larry Cahill

First Responder Training

Apprentices and Trainers
Summit Ski Area
March 27th & 28th (choose one day)
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

The second weekend of First Responder Training for apprentices is fast approaching. By now, you should have had plenty of opportunities to practice your first responder skills, and may have exercised those skills during some real cases. If there are areas that you still need to review, please ask your hill coaches or associate trainers to give you some additional training.

As usual, we will be on the hill all day so you will need to bring your lunch and beverages. Apprentices, please be sure to bring your boots, boards/skis, and first aid gear. Now that we have snow, you will be in patroller gear for the scenarios.

Finally, I will be sending an email to determine how many participants and trainers to expect on each day. Please respond promptly so that I can organize the day and move everyone through smoothly and efficiently.

I look forward to seeing you all again. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Chocolate-centered classic caramels...mmmm...my treat!

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