



The Sweep Awards 2021

PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Welcome to the 2021 Awards edition of *The Sweep* where you will find information on who was honored this year at the Virtual Awards Ceremony on June 18th, 2021 (tinyurl.com/2021MHSPAwards).

As I see it, one of the drawbacks with giving individual awards is that we don't get to recognize and honor everyone who has done great work in the last year.

Right now, I want to thank each of you who patrolled and helped out in other ways during the past year. You are the backbone of this organization.

THANK YOU!!

Please read on to see who won awards.

Cleo Howell, MHSP Council President



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MHSP EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR 2021 / 2022

Your new Executive Council took office June 1st, 2020. The members are:

- President – Cleo Howell
- Vice President – Matt Wood
- Secretary – Courtney Walsh
- Treasurer – Lee Hall
- Patrol Chief – Dave Winterling
- Associate Director – John Howard
- Nordic Director – Steve Potter
- Mountain Host Director – Jan Silagi
- First-Aid Chief – Will Pardy
- Senior Trustee – Matthew Rea
- Middle Trustee – Joel Stevens
- Junior Trustee – Margaret Usher

After induction of the new members the Council got right to work on June 7th, for their first meeting. All meetings are currently being held online using Zoom. All members are welcome to join any of the Council meetings. Contact any member of the Council for a copy of the web meeting invitation or stay tuned for links in upcoming issues of *The Sweep* and on the Google Calendar in Troopiter.

MHSP 2019/2020 AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

The criteria the Council uses to select awardees are as follows:

- Awardees are selected by the Council based on nominees from the MHSP membership.
- Council members are not eligible.
- Awards are presented on merit-based performance of patrol skills over the 2020-2021 ski season as well as over an extended period.
- Past winners are generally not considered for the same award.

The following individuals were recognized and honored at the 2021 MHSP Virtual Annual Awards Ceremony on June 18th, 2021. Please congratulate them for their award and thank them for their service when you see them in person.

John Keyes Meritorious Service Award

The John Keyes Meritorious Service award is presented to individuals who have provided special service and support in non-patrolling areas. Recipients may be non-active or alumni members.

John Keyes (MHSP #662) was a past MHSP president and a Lt. Colonel in the US Air Force Reserve. John was a natural leader, an enthusiastic patroller, and a dedicated public servant. His vision for a self-sustaining patrol is the touchstone for our fund-raising events.

John and nine others died November 22nd, 1996, when their C-130 crashed into the Pacific Ocean while in service to our country.

For this year we are awarding the John Keyes Meritorious Service Award to two individuals:

- Dr. Jim Hamilton
- David Atkinson

Dr. Jim Hamilton

MHSP #1726 and NSP #124768. In recognition of his accomplishments, Jim has received a National Appointment, #5005.

As most of you know, Jim has been with NSP for over 50 years - 52 to be exact, joining the Central Division in 1969. While with the Central Division, he was the Division Medical Director, and worked as the Emeritus Professor and Chairman of Orthopedic Surgery at the medical school at the University of Missouri in Kansas City. In 2012, after 43 years on patrol, the Central Division awarded Jim the National Ski Patrol (NSP) Distinguished Service Award.



In 2013, after Jim and his wife Linda moved to Oregon, Jim joined MHSP. At that time, he continued with the NSP Medical Advisors Committee, becoming the Medical Advisor for the Pacific Northwest Division (PNWD) at all levels - Division, Region, and Patrol.

Our award is to recognize Jim's ongoing major contributions since joining MHSP, at all levels - national, division, region, and patrol. I'm sure that most of us are familiar with at least some of the following. Altogether, it's an amazing list of contributions.

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For starters, at the National level, Jim is a listed reviewer for the new Outdoor Emergency Care 6th Edition (OEC6) text, which includes content contributed by him in several places.

At the Division level, here's a quick recap:

- Every summer the PNWD hosts the annual convention, at which Jim regularly contributes insightful and educational OEC presentations and breakout sessions.
- Jim has contributed many OEC-related articles for the PNWD's quarterly newsletter - most recently several articles on COVID-19 during the last year, including the June edition.
- Jim has worked with other patrols in the PNWD to identify and vet physicians to become Medical Advisors. This continues prior work that he did with other Divisions, to strengthen the Medical Quality Assurance Program across NSP.

Next, here's a recap of the many protocols that Jim has created or updated over the last eight years, with a major impact on our OEC curriculum and on-hill operations.

- First, the spine board/SMR protocol. Jim started this program with the four local Mt. Hood resorts, to evaluate and optimize spine board use, with the intent being a net reduction in the use of spine boards. Over a period of seven years, Jim developed a thoughtful protocol that was adopted by our region, and later by other regions within PNWD, and which was eventually incorporated by NSP into the 2018 OEC Cycle B Refresher and the new OEC6 text. Jim continues work today, to study and understand the effectiveness and impact of the revised SMR protocols.
- Next, the Oxygen (O2) protocols. Several years ago, Jim responded to concerns from the ski resorts on Mt. Hood re the use of oxygen, by reviewing every indication in the OEC 5th Edition (OEC5) text for O2 and reviewing current research on O2 use by first responders. He then provided a clarifying summary for patrollers to use in determining when O2 should or should not be used. This guidance is now part of our OEC curriculum, and in 2017 was included in the update review for the new OEC6 text.
- In 2018, Jim updated the region's aspirin protocol, with respect to acute Myocardial Infarction. As a result, local patrollers were approved to carry and administer aspirin as initial on-hill treatment when indicated. Following that guidance, MHSP now stocks individually wrapped aspirin in our First-Aid cabinet in Govy, for patrollers to carry in their packs.
- Finally, the COVID-19 protocols. Jim took the lead one year ago to develop comprehensive COVID-19 protocols, to enable patrollers to work safely on-hill during the pandemic. These protocols were approved and implemented by PNWD and MHSP and were the basis for the COVID-19 training programs that we all participated in last summer. Following these protocols helped us operate safely on-hill over the last 12 months. And Jim is currently working with several other PNWD medical staff on a 2021 update to these protocols, reflecting new information (including variants and vaccines).

Dr. Hamilton supports our awards advisor in documenting applications for Purple, Blue, Green, and Yellow Merit Stars. His guidance has matched the application with the appropriate Merit Star, and he has provided supporting material to accompany the nomination.

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Finally, Jim has been an instructor every year at our OEC refreshers, and for our apprentice OEC class, giving some very engaging presentations on the musculoskeletal system. This has included topics on anatomy, injuries, and treatment, plus some show-and-tell that are a real eye-opener on the structural strength of human long bones.

David Atkinson

David Atkinson MHSP #1239, National Appointment #12139, NSP #170346.

David started his patrol career as a YAP at Mt. High resort in CA. He joined NSP in 1980 and completed his Senior status in the 85/86 season. David joined MHSP in 1995 and was awarded his National Appointment in 2019. He has a long-distinguished patrol career between the Lake Tahoe Ski Resorts, Euro Ski patrol in Germany, and Mt. Hood Ski Patrol.

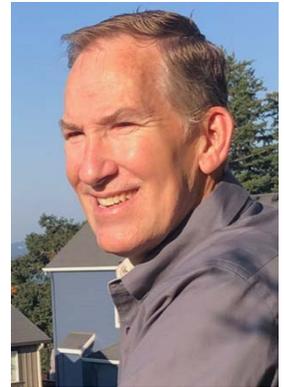
David has held many titles with MHSP, such as Patrol Chief, HC, and Toboggan Trainer.

Today, we honor his service as the Wy'east Regional OET Advisor, which he held from 2009/10 season to 2018/19 season, and his work as a co-organizer and coordinator for the Wy'east Region Nuts & Bolts Clinic for 17 years.

He has been instrumental in the N&B Clinic's promotion and growth over the years reaching all across the country, and bringing patrollers to our lovely mountain from all over the United States. He has been the administrator who coordinated all the registration and payments, manned the check-in process every day, solicited the help needed to make that process go as smoothly as possible, and herded the long line of patrollers down the main corridor of the Wy'east Day Lodge for 3 days x 17 years. In addition, Dave assisted in the coordination of the themed Saturday afternoon BBQ and extracurricular events! In recent years, this included a catered dinner matching the year's theme.

David's commitment to toboggan training as the regional advisor through the Nuts & Bolts clinics has been tremendous and yet that is not all his work has comprised of; working with the Oregon region OET advisor, he has co-coordinated the joint Wy'east/OR Region's Senior Outdoor Emergency Transportation modules for 10 years. This includes setting up the Senior training clinics yearly within the Wy'east region and coordinating these with OR region clinics along with the co-coordination for the final Senior Ski/Snowboard and Toboggan Evaluations.

MHSP would like to thank David, with the John Keyes Meritorious Service award, for the great service he has provided over the years.



Rod Morrison Hill Apprentice of the Year Award

The Rod Morrison Apprentice of the Year award is presented to the Hill Apprentice who demonstrates superior attitude, dedication and leadership potential.

Rod Morrison (MHSP #313) "began" with the patrol as a 14-year-old Boy Scout helping at Summit. He was officially accepted as an apprentice patroller two years later. On weekends, he slept on the floor at Darr's Mountain Shop to maximize his time on the mountain. He would practice with the Akja hour after hour and became totally competent at sled handling, skiing, and first-aid. More than that, he could be counted on to accept any assignment with a smile and do it with enthusiasm. It was expected that Rod would become a leader in the patrol, but he lost his life at the age of 20 in an auto accident.

(drum roll please)

Derek Phillips is this year's winner of the Hill Apprentice of the Year Award.

Like Rod Morrison, Derek has certainly proved to be a dedicated and conscientious member of his class. During his time in OEC, he took advantage of almost every optional training opportunity, was always prepared, and became very proficient at assessments and first-aid skills.

During his time in apprentice OET training, Derek continued his training approach as a committed and enthusiastic student. He showed great motivation, always willing to take on a task or help a team member. Derek asks a lot of questions, but they are all good questions so he does a great job keeping the trainers on their toes.

He is a talented snowboarder and will be a great sled-puller. During his apprentice year, Derek logged a total of (26) Troopiter dispatch days – the highest among the apprentice class for this year. Congratulations Derek!

Tommy Yacoe was the runner up for this year's award.

Tommy was a strong student in OEC, a quick study, and a capable sled-puller during his apprentice OET training. Tommy was the first of the apprentice class to sign up for an on-hill "shadow day" during the winter season. He is an alpine climber and will be a strong MHSP patroller.

Barney Macnab Hill Patroller of the Year Award

The Barney Macnab Patroller of the Year award was the first annual award established by MHSP. It is presented to the Hill Patroller who demonstrates superior commitment, service, and excellence.

Barney Macnab, (MHSP #1, NSP #17) was the first president of MHSP and part of the original organizing committee.

Roundly considered a "really nice guy" Barney was active in mountain searches, served as NW Director of the National Ski Patrol, and, during WWII, actively recruited ski patrollers to serve in what became the 10th Mountain Division. Legend has it that he participated in the setting of the first Timberline Road.

We have four nominees this year, each of whom is well deserving of receiving this award. This was a difficult choice.

Kory Diess is the recipient of this year's Hill Patroller of the Year Award.

Kory has 15 years with MHSP and is a member of Timberline A team. Kory has consistently been among the top 10 patrollers in terms of dispatch days per year, logging 26 days since the 2020 Awards Ceremony.

Kory has a great relationship with, and a great deal of respect from, the Timberline paid staff. He's a lot of fun to work with and is an excellent patroller with solid medical and sled-handling skills. Congratulations Kory!!

Our runners-up this year are:

Rick Hugo: Skibowl Team Member – 14 years with MHSP.

Mark Brooks: Skibowl Team Member – transferred to MHSP last year, about 20 years with NSP on the East Coast.

Steve Bonham: Meadows Team Member – 11 years with MHSP.

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Jerry Edgar Hill Captain of the Year

The Jerry Edgar Hill Captain of the Year award 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.

Jerry Edgar earned his MHSP badge #275 in 1957. Respected as a top hill patroller, he was admired for his superlative skiing and love for life. With his wife Florence (MHSP #447) and family, he patrolled 30 to 40 days a season. When the MHSP split ranks with the NSP in 1962 and adopted its own system of leader positions, Jerry was in the first group of Hill Captains. The Hill Captain of the Year award was established in Jerry's memory after he was killed by a drunk driver in 1972.

Toby Willey is this year's winner of the Hill Captain of the Year Award.

Toby has 27 years with MHSP and has been a Hill Captain since 2007. He is one of the most technically skilled and knowledgeable patrollers in MHSP.

In and of itself that doesn't necessarily make someone a good Hill Captain. But Toby's willingness and ability to share his knowledge and skill set him apart. Although he has been a Hill Captain for some time, his work has prevented him from being able to commit to being a team leader in recent years. However, this year with the COVID-19 pandemic precautions in place he stepped up and took a vacant Team Lead role on Skibowl C Team. C Team was our smallest team this year with several vacant hill and associate patroller positions that we weren't able to fill. In addition, several of his members were rookie patrollers with limited Skibowl experience. It was necessary to have a very solid leader on that team and Toby delivered.

Great job Toby! Thank you very much for your contributions.

This year's runners-up are:

Steve Bonham has 11 years with MHSP and is the leader for Meadows D team. Patrolling with Steve is always fun; he is enthusiastic and energetic and creates a great team culture. He is a great teammate with the other Meadows teams, dispatching for many extra days to fill open slots. As a result, Steve had the highest number of Meadows patrol days of any MHSP patroller – 24 in total. Steve is constantly looking for and recruiting new members for Meadows D team.

Dave Miller has 14 years with MHSP, and is a co-leader for Skibowl A team. Although Dave already contributes countless hours in the development and upgrades for our Troopiter scheduling and tracking system, he was also willing to take on a team leadership role this year for Skibowl A team.

Mike Walsh has four years with MHSP and is a member of Timberline A team in addition to being the leader for Timberline C team. Mike is a strong leader within MSHP, contributing to the MHSP Banquet Committee and the MHSP Safety Program in addition to his team Hill Captain role. Mike is consistently one of the top patrollers in terms of dispatch days, logging 25 on-hill patrol days since 2020's Awards Ceremony.

Alpine Coach of the Year Award

Gina (Barendrick) Hackett, MHSP #1728, NSP #246697.

Gina joined MHSP in 2013, completed her Senior OET modules in 2016, Toboggan Instructor in 2017, MHSP Hill Apprentice Director 2018/19 season, and was selected as a Toboggan IT this past season 20/21.

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Gina has been a rock star toboggan instructor from day one! She's a natural. She has the eye for seeing body position right away and knows the skills needed to correct stance whether it's skiing, snowboarding, or tobogganing.

Gina is concise with communication, demonstration, and observation; she is a no-nonsense, straight to the point instructor.

Her collaboration with other instructors is excellent; she voices her perspective, works well within group instruction, and is one to keep the instruction group on-task and especially on time! Many apprentices, patrollers, and instructors within MHSP and within our division appreciate and enjoy working and learning from Gina's wealth of knowledge.

Her goal as a toboggan instructor is to give patrollers the skills/encouragement needed to be the most proficient skiers, snowboarders, and tobogganers possible.

MHSP would like to thank Gina for the great service she has provided over the last 9 years with the Alpine Coach of the Year Award.

Associate Apprentice of the Year Award

Gretchen Stover is our Associate Apprentice of the year.

Gretchen put in many extra days of training, as well as staying in the first-aid room to help with patients. Always pleasant, and enthusiastic, Gretchen will be a valuable patroller for years to come.

Irv Huppin Associate Patroller of the Year Award

Kam Komeyli is our Associate of the Year and Timberline Patroller of the Year.

Kam has been unable to visit his family in Europe because of travel restrictions due to COVID-19.

As a result, Kam has patrolled nearly every weekend day this past winter. He has been a valuable resource for both Timberline and every team member at Timberline.

The runner-up is **Pat Demarinis**.

Associate Supervisor of the Year Award

Scott Chandler is our Associate Supervisor of the Year.

Scott stepped up to be Team Associate Supervisor for his Timberline C team this year.

Scott is exceedingly well-organized and conveyed duties and expectations to all his team members.

Thank you so much Scott.

Runners up are **Joan Turner, Nick Johns, and Ed Taylor**.

Associate Coach of the Year Award

Nick Johns is our Associate coach of the Year.

Not only did Nick step into being Team Associate Supervisor for his Skibowl team but helped train new Apprentices before Skibowl closed operations for the winter.

Without his help, Associate training may not have been completed in time for the Apprentices to graduate.

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Nordic Apprentice of the Year: Cory Tolzman

This season's awardee for the Nordic Apprentice of the Year has been an eager and energetic participant throughout the season at Teacup Lake, patrolling as a Nordic Apprentice with Team A thirteen days.

He always eagerly participated in the duties of the day, learning area operations and procedures, learning the area trails and appropriate routes of travel in searching for subjects, delivering equipment, and transporting subjects to the snow park.

Additionally, he has displayed a great attitude and participation in his Nordic required MTR class, taken concurrently with completing OEC.

Congratulations Cory.

Outstanding Nordic Patroller of the Year: Tom Clarke

This season's awardee for Outstanding Nordic Patroller of The Year has gone above and beyond to ensure that Teacup Lake was staffed throughout the season, patrolling seventeen days.

He served as Patroller in Charge of Team A for November and most of December, demonstrating exceptional leadership and functioning exceptionally well with the team, providing care for multiple injured skiers.

He has also taken a substantial role in the development of the Nordic OET program. Beyond Teacup Lake service he enrolled in MTR 2 and is working on becoming an MTR instructor.

Congratulations Tom.

Mountain Host of the Year

The recipient of this award is an individual who exemplifies what a Mountain Host should be. The Mountain Host of the Year demonstrates an outstanding commitment to the Mountain Hosts, a positive attitude, and excellent people skills. They are knowledgeable about the resorts and services available and go the extra mile to help guests. They are also a good example to fellow Hosts and are a mentor to apprentices.

Brian Ritacco is the Outstanding Mountain Host of the Year.

Brian really went the extra mile this year. On multiple occasions he reported to his half day shift, and, seeing that Hosts were shorthanded, would volunteer the full day. Also, on multiple occasions when there was only one Supervisor on duty, he would carry a second radio to help monitor the patrol channel, enabling the Hosts to be as supportive as possible to our patrol colleagues. On at least five weekends he dispatched for both Saturday and Sunday to make sure Hosts had boots on the hill. He receives high praise from the newest apprentice to the most seasoned Host.

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Outstanding Host Supervisor of the Year

The recipient of this award provides outstanding leadership and commitment to the Mountain Host program. They are knowledgeable about the duties of the Host Supervisor and they execute those duties with skill and enthusiasm. They are also a good example to fellow Hosts and exhibit excellent communication skills. They ensure that assignments and responsibilities are covered, take into consideration the special needs and events of the resorts, and can successfully interface with resort management.

The 2020-2021 Host Supervisor of the Year is **Rick Anderson!**

Rick started the year supervising at Timberline early in the season to help with coverage and then slid down the hill to his home resort, Skibowl, where he only missed a couple Saturdays all season.

He supported the Host Director by sending an email her way every time he came off the mountain. Rick contributes to building strong and positive relationships with the resorts and he took it upon himself to mentor a Host who needed support and helped that Host become an asset within the membership.

Rick is a tremendous team member, a great leader, and a sincere and kind man.... The Host Director is grateful to him and so pleased for him to know how much his fellow Hosts and Mt. Hood Ski Patrol colleagues appreciate him!

Honorable mentions:

Kim Desmarteau for her commitment and determination in the face of a season-ending injury to support Host leadership and relationships with the resorts.

Luther Barker for going above and beyond the call of duty while dispatching to Timberline almost every Saturday throughout the season, and then some many times being the only supervisor on a given day. Many times Luther mentored Host supervisors in training or Host apprentices. He kept the Hosts going throughout the year!!

Mountain Host Apprentice of the Year

The recipient of this award has exceeded the requirements and standards of the Mountain Host Apprentice. They have shown an eagerness to train and become accomplished at all the duty stations, and have exhibited excellent people skills. They have become knowledgeable about the resorts and available services and go the extra mile to help guests. They are also a good example to fellow Hosts and apprentices.

James Lincoln is our Host Apprentice of the Year!

This individual began his training one week after suffering a great personal loss in his family, and still brought light, and kindness, and genuine gratitude for the opportunity to be a Host with him each time he came to the mountain. He has been an example to all of us!

He did 5 days at Timberline, 3 days a Summit, and 7 days at Skibowl this season. He was always upbeat and ready to serve. He also sent the Host Director an email almost every time he finished a shift telling her about his day, how fun it was, what he learned, and asking clarifying questions. He really has done an outstanding job.

Runner-ups include our entire apprentice class. We were so pleased with our group of **Host Apprentices** this year. All of them were flexible and enthusiastic joining us in an atypical season as we dealt with the pandemic. They were eager to learn and be with guests as much as protocols allowed. It was a challenge to identify one among them, but the voices of the membership helped make the choice.

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Dave Hitchcock Avalanche Service Award

The Dave Hitchcock Avalanche Service Award is presented to Patrollers who have performed exceptional service in running the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol's Avalanche Training.

Dave Hitchcock (MHSP #263) was in charge of the Avalanche Program for many years, and was also the Division Avalanche Advisor.

Mike Levis is this year's winner of the Avalanche Service Award.

With his contributions this year, Mike was an easy choice for the 2021 Hitchcock award.

Mike has eight years with MHSP, is the Associate Supervisor for Skibowl C team, and is the Associate APC for Skibowl. Mike joined MHSP with extensive experience in climbing, ropes, and avalanche rescue from his years with Mazamas.

Mike has been an Avy trainer for four years and was asked last summer to take over as our Avy Director starting with the 2020/2021 winter season. This was a challenging assignment, due to all the changes needed during the pandemic year.

First among Mike's accomplishments is the conversion of the former "classwork" portion of Avy training to be 100% online, with substantial video content plus online video-conference training that Mike facilitated himself. The quality of the training was excellent, so that the online format will be continued into the future.

Also, in response to a manufacturer's recall of the PIEPS Sport Avy transceivers used by the Skibowl teams, Mike researched alternate models available on the market and worked to obtain discount pricing. Mike submitted a proposal to Council to purchase modern Tracker 4 transceivers to replace the PIEPS DSP; this proposal was approved by Council and the new beacons are now on-hand. The PIEPS transceivers will be re-purposed into our Avy training inventory, so that we can dispose of the old Tracker 1 beacons which are now obsolete.

Finally, Mike has reviewed the MHSP Avy 1 refresher curriculum for alignment to the newly updated NSP version and found that it would make sense to add some additional material to the MHSP program starting next year. The new material is appropriate to support our operations in the avalanche terrain at Skibowl and Meadows and will be in online format for members to review prior to their on-hill refresher. As a result of this program update, MHSP members will receive NSP credit for Avy 1 refreshers.

A great list of accomplishments for his first year in this role - congratulations Mike!!

Bent Pole Award

This year's winner is **Richard Crokin**. Richard suffered a Boxer's fracture of his hand after a very long slide on a very icy day at Timberline. Richard has subsequently fully recovered after surgery.

Runners-up include **heather Van Houten, Beth Hicks, Kim Desmarteau, and Chuck Corcoran**.

Area Awards

The individual areas select one patroller that they feel went above and beyond in supporting their area and the customers they serve. These are each areas Volunteer Patroller of the Year.

Area Representative

Libby Koroch
Timberline Lodge
Summit Ski Area

Area



Award Winner

Kam Komeyli

Chase McOmber
Mt. Hood Skibowl



Sam Lefeber

John Bain
Mt. Hood Meadows



Kat Price

NATIONAL SKI PATROL SENIOR OET – S&T AND SKI

Congratulations to **Dave MacIntyre** and **Paul Van Der Bosch** for passing both the skiing and sled & toboggan tests of the OET Module of the NSP Senior Program.

FIRST-AID AWARDS

First-Aid Excellence Award

This year's award goes to **Alaina Waller** for attending to a Timberline Road Motorcycle Crash.

On 9/6/20, Alaina was driving home down Timberline access road after bike patrolling when she came upon the scene of a bad motorcycle accident.

A 30-something male had crashed his bike severely enough to lose his helmet and was injured and in severe pain.

Having determined that 911 had already been called, Alaina immediately established thorough scene safety and cleared the area around the patient. Alaina performed a primary and secondary assessment, ensured the patient had a patent airway, and monitored vitals.

As Hoodland Fire EMS arrived, Alaina took head stabilization and directed Hoodland fire EMT as they set to work. Alaina maintained control of the scene through the completion of backboarding and assisted EMS to load the patient in the ambulance after it arrived.

The patient was transported to Kaiser Portland where he was expected to make a full recovery.

Other outstanding First-Aid Excellence mentions are **Rich Hugo, Daven Berg, Kat Price**, and the **MHM Team Associates**.

Ralph Wiese First-Aid Instructor Award

This year's First-Aid Instructor award winner is **Glen Anderson**.

Honorable mentions include **Kat Price** and **Cleo Howell**.

YEARS OF SERVICE

We are in our second year of the special tradition of awarding years of service awards for MHSP service, in addition to National Ski Patrol service.

We are happy to award our service pins in the same 5-year increments that National Ski Patrol (NSP) does. This additional recognition will properly identify those members of MHSP for their revered service while including those who have long service with NSP even when they may not have always been with MHSP (transfers and reentries).

Remember also that MHSP went through a long period when it was not a member of NSP, so for many long-term members of both NSP and MHSP, there can be quite a substantial mismatch in the years of service in the two organizations.

WHEW! Fortunately, we have Kathy Lee and Lisa Wilberding to keep this all straight!

MHSP Years of Service

5 Years of Service MHSP

- Kelly Ambrose, 1799
- Brit Andersen, 1338
- Debra Burke, 60279
- Annie Eversmeyer, 1796
- Brian Hughes, 1800
- Alex Palm, 1804
- Lisa Smith, 1805
- David Winterling, 1806
- heather Van Houten, 1793

10 Years of Service MHSP

- Judy Bice, 60195
- Moira Bono, 1673
- Kevin Havre, 1665
- Tim Himes, 1668
- Craig Klascius, 1669
- Rachel Leiber, 1687
- David Macintyre, 1689
- Kirk Miller, 1692
- Connor Scott, 1695
- Ted Zurcher, 60194

15 Years of Service MHSP

- Jodi Berris, 1502
- Kory Diess, 1489
- Terry Donahe, 1503
- Todd McDaniel, 1493
- Bob Schneidmiller, 1506

20 Years of Service MHSP

- Karen Larsen, 1280
- Roger Meier, 1376
- Kat Price, 90495

25 Years of Service MHSP

- Eric Granning, 90405

30 Years of Service MHSP

- No members this year

35 Years of Service MHSP

- No members this year

40 Years of Service MHSP

- No members this year



MHSP
Years of Service
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45 Years of Service MHSP

- No members this year

50 Years of Service MHSP

- No members this year
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NSP Years of Service

5 Years of Service NSP

- Kelly Ambrose, 1799
- Annie Eversmeyer, 1796
- Brian Hughes, 1800
- Alex Palm, 1804
- Lisa Smith, 1805
- Joan Turner, 1832
- David Winterling, 1806

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- Kat Price, 90495

25 Years of Service NSP

- Neil Geisler, 1839
- Eric Granning, 90405

30 Years of Service NSP

- No members this year

35 Years of Service NSP

- Susan Derting, 90538

40 Years of Service NSP

- No members this year

45 Years of Service NSP

- No members this year

50 Years of Service NSP

- No members this year
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WELCOME TO ALL NEW MHSP MEMBERS

Congratulations and welcome to the family!!

New Hill Patrollers

Spencer Giles – MHSP #1930
Jordy Mallon – MHSP #1933
Derek Phillips – MHSP #1934
Robert Schiewe – MHSP #1936
Derek Sluder – MHSP #1937
Tommy Yacoe – MHSP #1940

New Associate Patrollers

Paul Munn – MHSP #1928
Bob Blackington – MHSP #1929
David Hawbaker – MHSP #1931
Jae Kim – MHSP #1932
Gretchen Stover – MHSP #1938

New Nordic Patrollers

Tessa Rykken – MHSP #1935
Cory Tolzman – MHSP #1939

New Host Members

James Lincoln – MHSP #60333
Mel Ozbech – MHSP #60334
Leigh Anne Williams - MHSP #60335

Bike Patrol (almost done) Apprentices – We are with you!!

- Starr Edge
- Laura Pike

NEW HILL CAPTAINS

One goal for Operations is to have a backup Hill Captain, and/or a Hill Captain in training on each area team, and to promote patrollers who are ready to take over and lead a patrol team. With that in mind, this year we are promoting three new Hill Captains:

- **Timberline – Brit Andersen**
 - Brit originally joined MHSP in 2000 and is a member of Timberline C team. He is a capable and consistent contributor with great leadership potential.
- **Skibowl – Mark Brooks**
 - Mark joined MHSP last year as a transfer patroller but has close to 20 years of prior NSP experience on the East Coast, where he was already a Hill Captain.
- **Skibowl – Richard Hugo**
 - Richard has 14 years with MHSP and is a member of Skibowl B Team. He is a capable and consistent contributor with great leadership potential.

Congratulations!

NEW HOST SUPERVISORS

- **Frank Joyce** – Skibowl
- **Chris Able** – Skibowl and Timberline
- **Steve Shaw** – Skibowl and Timberline
- **Bill Johnson** – Timberline
- **Diane Brunea** – Timberline

MHSP SUPERHEROES

In prior years the Superheroes slide showed the busiest patrollers in terms of total dispatch days - including both on-hill days and training/admin days.

This year, with all of the pandemic-related changes to protocols, we wanted to highlight the sometimes behind-the-scenes work of the training and support teams. So, we're splitting the total dispatch into two lists.

Members with 20+ On-Hill Days

This first list shows the patrollers who contributed the most on-hill days.

Here's a few highlights, for each ski area:

For Mt. Hood Meadows, **Steve Bonham** was the dispatch leader - 24 days all at Meadows.

For Skibowl, **Steve Barnett** and **Matt Wood** were the leaders, both with just under 30 days at the Bowl. Steve did a huge number of summer days, and Matt did the most winter days, picking up extra team assignments through the skiing season.

For Timberline, **Kam Komeyli** set an all-time record, with 58 days - basically every Saturday and Sunday, every weekend. Wow, great job Kam, thanks so much.

For Teacup, no surprise that **Steve Potter** was the leader, his total number also includes a number of days at Summit.

And for the Host team, **Bill Hof** was the leader, with 39 days on the hill. Nice job Bill!

Member Name	#On-Hill Days	Member Name	#On-Hill Days
Dave Winterling	69	Alan Harvey	25
Glen Anderson	64	Rita Somogyl	25
Kam Komeyli	58	Mike Walsh	25
Steve Potter	53	Steve Bonham	24
Matt Wood	40	Steven Tomlinson	23
Bill Hof	39	John Howard	22
Michael Cummings	34	Sam Lefeber	21
Steve Barnett	33	Madalyn Seyer	21
Will Parady	29	Ed Taylor	21
Kory Diess	26	Mike Thissel	21
Marc Johnson	26		



Members with 20+ Training and Admin Days

This second list shows the patrollers with the highest number of the training, support, and admin dispatch days. Both "trainer" and "trainee" days are counted.

The top five patrollers on this list all did a lot of training days with OEC. In addition, **Steve Potter** did a lot of training with the Nordic team and **Will Parady** did a lot of training tied to the COVID-19 protocol roll-out last summer.

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Also, this format highlights the investment made by our apprentice class, those names are shown in green. We have seven apprentices with 20+ training days, which in all cases includes some extra OEC or on-hill days. Great job.

Member Name	#On-Hill Days	Member Name	#On-Hill Days	
Steve Potter	45	Astrid Zervas	22	
Will Parady	44	Steven Tomlinson	22	
Matt Wood	42	Kathy Lee	20	
David Winterling	36	Jeffrey Weitz	20	Green font =
John Howard	34	David MacIntyre	20	20/21 Apprentice
Katherine Christensen	28	David Hawbaker	20	Class
Tom Clarke	28	Jae Kim	20	
Derek Phillips	26	Cory Tolzman	20	
Glen Anderson	25	Rob Schiewe	20	
Robert Blackington	24	Mike Levis	20	
Gretchen Stover	24			

FIRST RESPONDER INSTRUCTOR/TRAINER RECOGNITION

Senior Aid Room Module Instructors – Thank you!!

Kathy Lee James Schuler

OEC Course Instructors – Thank you!!

Will Parady	Reba Sharp	Beth Hicks	Kathy Lee	Bruce Harris
Marc Johnson	Cleo Howell	Kat Price	Jay Martineau	John Howard
Jim Hamilton	Mike and Courtney Walsh	Glen Anderson	Corinna Kupelweiser	
Ed Taylor	Dave Winterling	Jim Stempel	Margaret Usher	Matt Wood
Mary Stempel	Ed Hodges	Steve Potter	Matt Adamosky	

Special Thanks to the Inventory Crew (Cleo, John Howard, and Steve Tomlinson)

And Sam LeFeber – for safe space!!

CPR Instruction

Ed Taylor and John Howard

OTHER INSTRUCTOR/TRAINER RECOGNITION

Associate Apprentice Coaches

John Howard Glen Anderson Nick Johns

OET Hill Apprentice Coaches

Dave MacIntyre, Director	Gordy Winterrowd	Mike Miller	Kevin Havre
Will Parady	Sean McLoughlin	Courtney Walsh	Torry Taylor Alan Harvey

OET Toboggan Refreshers, TES, and Seniors Training

heather Van Houten	Jeffrey Weitz	Gina Hackett	Will Parady
Courtney Walsh	Kevin Havre	Toby Willey	David Winterling
Gordy Winterrowd	Matt Harms		

OET Instructor Trainers (ITs)

Jeffrey Weitz heather Van Houten Gordy Winterrowd Matt Harms

Congratulations to **Gina Hackett** as a new IT.

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Avalanche Training

Mike Levis, Director

Steve Eversmeyer

Har Rai Khalsa

Matt Rea

Daven Berg

Astrid Zervas

Joel Stevens

THANK YOU TO COUNCIL MEMBERS 2019-2021

Cleo Howell, MHSP Council President, AS 1444

As most of you know James Schuler has been the President for the past two years. During his two years as president, the Executive Council included the listed members:

President – James Schuler

Vice President – Matt Wood

Patrol Chief – Rachel Leiber and Dave Winterling

First-Aid Chief – Will Parady

Associate Director – John Howard

Nordic Director – Steve Potter

Host Director – Jan Silagi

Treasurer – Jaye Miller and Lee Hall

Secretary – Courtney Walsh, Dave Winterling, and Alan Harvey

Trustees – heather Van Houten, Joel Stevens, Matt Rea, and Cleo Howell

Kathy Lee – not a Council member, but attended every meeting

I would like to tell you briefly about some of the accomplishments of this Council.

As you all know COVID-19 became a part of all of our lives in late February, early March 2020.

Previous Patrol Chief, **Rachel Leiber**, recognized the severity of COVID-19 and encouraged the Council to act quickly. Starting on March 15th, 2020 the Council met at least weekly for several months to respond to COVID-19 and the impacts to the patrol. The Council made the tough decision to not allow MHSP volunteer patrollers to patrol at our resorts. The resorts shut down shortly thereafter.

Members of the Council worked closely with the resorts, the National Ski Patrol, **Dr. Jim Hamilton** (our own medical director) and state officials to come up with a plan to return to patrolling at our resorts. Council members and others wrote COVID-19 patrolling protocols.

I would like to especially thank **Dr. Jim Hamilton, Dr. Mike Murray, Patrol Chief Dave Winterling, and First-Aid Chief Will Parady** for writing and editing the COVID-19 patrolling protocols. **Jan Silagi** then edited the protocols for the Mountain Hosts.

heather Van Houten helped to write the COVID-19 health screening document and she then screened each document to make sure that an individual patroller was qualified to wear an N-95 mask.

Steve Barnett, Steve Eversmeyer, John Howard, and Will Parady worked diligently to find and then buy N-95 masks. **Steve Barnett, Annie Eversmeyer, Steve Eversmeyer, and John Howard** fit-tested every patroller who wanted to patrol under the new COVID-19 protocols. Updated N-95 fit testing is going on right now.

Beth Hicks took the lead in providing COVID-19 training and in creating and grading the online COVID-19 quiz given to all patrollers who patrolled in the past season. **David Winterling** and **Will Parady** assisted Beth with the COVID-19 training.

This Council worked out how to hold Council meetings as well as General meetings during the pandemic. No Council or general meetings have been missed since the start of the pandemic. We have gone through numerous meeting platforms including Zoom, Google Meet, and Webex to keep our meetings going.

The Council made the decision to allow members to remain in good standing if a member chose not to patrol this past year due to COVID-19. We welcome everybody to come back to active patrolling as the COVID-19 protocols loosen (and that includes our summer operations).

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The Council made another tough decision to close the Govy building to most day-to-day use to prevent spread of the disease through contamination.

This Council did a lot more than just deal with the pandemic issues.

This Council reviewed and updated the **Articles of Incorporation** and then the **Bylaws** as recommended by the Non-Profit Association of Oregon. Numerous town hall style meetings were held to present the Bylaws changes to the membership. A big thank you to **Kathy Lee, Lisa Hargrave, and Matt Wood** for doing the hard work of updating these documents and to Matt for running the town hall meetings. We are currently working on updating the **Policy and Procedures** and that work should be completed shortly.

Over the last two years the formal bicycle patrol has become a reality. We are in the process of bringing on our first two **bicycle only** patrollers. The Council requested a Bylaws change to accommodate bike only patrollers and the Bylaws change was approved.

MHSP lead the way with NSP and our division for setting up both Bike Patrol and COVID-19 protocols. We should be thankful for the strong leadership and presenters that make our organization shine. Their efforts were part of the 2020 PNWD conference. MHSP was once again the leader in ideas and information provided to the region and the NSP.

Here are some of the other accomplishments of this Council.

- The Google Calendar and Wiki were cleaned up. Including adding the minutes to the Wiki.
- Our Dropbox account was cleaned up so that all the 75th anniversary photos are viewable and there is plenty of space for future documents.
- The Treasurer has moved most of our financial transactions to paperless and is storing them in the Cloud.
- Relocated our Post Office box.
- Our social media accounts were updated, and guidelines provided to members.
- Troopiter, our new dispatch system, went live during the past two years.
- Transferred the ownership and liability of the Rescue Center at Skibowl to Skibowl.
- Standardized the Memorandum Of Understanding with the areas, which means we're no longer using extra-legal resources to review multiple documents.
- The Govy building was struck by lightning in June 2020 and has been repaired. Well, *almost* completely repaired. We recently discovered some electrical issues in the front part of the building and they are being worked on.
- With leadership from this Council, we brought in a \$10,000 donation from an Angel donor.
- We also received \$6700 from the PACRAT race organization and \$3700 from Hillcrest ski shop for helping with labor to move to a new location.

I just want to thank this Council for all your hard work over the past two years.

Although the Council works hard for this patrol, the real work is done by each of you as individual patrollers. Thank you for what you do.

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COMMITTEES

The really difficult work of the Council happens before and after the Council meets. All the data, pros and cons of decision making, and execution after the decision happens in the committees. These committees are staffed and worked by many of you and we are very grateful for the inputs, diligent work, and dedication.

The President of MHSP would like to recognize the commitment of those who sat on our numerous committees and say **THANK YOU!!!**

Nominations Committee

heather Van Houten (Chair) Michael Cummings (Coordinator)

Steve Barnett Patrick Cummings Will Pardy Gordy Winterrowd

Recruitment Committee

Glen Anderson Dave Winterling Courtney Walsh Jim and Mary Stempel

A special mention for Rachel Leiber who did the KOIN-TV interview

... and all the ITs & Coaches at tryouts

... and all of YOU who spread the word

Clothing/Uniform Committee

Bruce Harris Mike Thissell Mac Lussier

Communications Committee

Patrick Cummings Jaye Miller-Carlson Michael Cummings Mark Ripkey Matt Wood

Dave Miller Alaina Waller Joel Stevens Glen Anderson Kelly Ambrose

Banquet Committee

Courtney Walsh Mike Walsh Zoe Lynn Powers

SAVE THE DATE!! 2022 BANQUET IS MAY 21ST, 2022

Finance Committee and its Support Team

Lisa Hargrave Kathy Lee Jaye Miller-Carlson Sam Lefeber

Governance Committee

Kathy Lee Lisa Hargrave Matt Wood

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Special Support Team

New Dispatch Site Launch!

Dave Miller

Patrol Dispatcher and Record Keeper

Wendy Stuart

Host Dispatcher and Record Keeper

Mike Cullen

Region Registrar

Jaye Miller

Race Event Support Coordinator

Mike Anderson

Snowvana Coordinator

Kelly Ambrose

Ski Fever Coordinator

Jan Silagi

YAP/SPY Program Director

Paul Van Der Bosch

Social Media Coordinator

Alaina Waller

***The Sweep* Editor**

Mark Ripkey

***The Sweep* Assistant Editor**

Courtney Walsh

Electronic Voting Coordinator

Michael Cummings

MHSP Awards Coordinator

Matt Wood

Timberline APC

Dave McIntyre

Skibowl APC

Matt Rea

Mt. Hood Meadows APC

Roger Meier

Bike Patrol APC

Steve Barnett

Historian

Lisa Hargrave

Safety Committee

Mike Walsh

Govy Building Caretaker

Took a year off



FINAL SWEEP

Compiled by Gordy Winterrowd, SHC #561



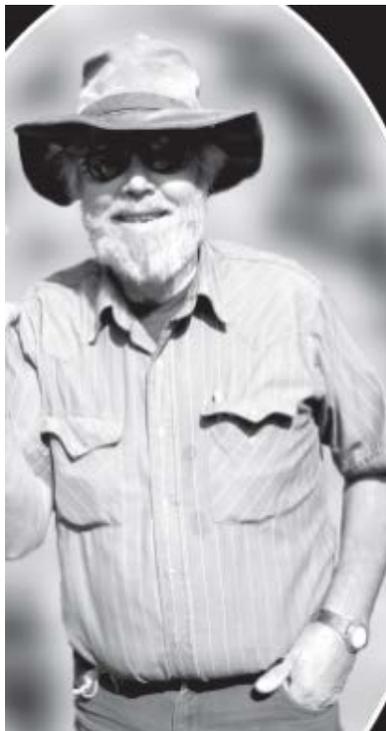
George Crisp #318

1932 - 2021

George was Patroller #318 joining the Patrol in 1960.

He was active on the patrol serving as Patrol Chief in 1963. He began his career with Armstrong Building Materials in sales in the late 1950's. George then obtained his Master's degree in education and began his career as an AP English and Humanities teacher at Clackamas High School. He was active for many years as a member of Wy'East Climbers, MHSP, and Portland Mountain Rescue.

Sources: Friends and direct quotes from obituaries.



Eric Schoenfeld #372

1944 - 2019

Eric joined the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol in 1962 becoming member #372.

He enjoyed hiking, rock climbing, and skiing. After high school he attended Reed College and graduated from Portland State. After college Eric joined the U.S. Air Force. From Blaine WA (where he was stationed), whenever possible, he would drive 6 ½ hours to Mt. Hood. Following the Air Force, he worked for Keith Petrie (MHSP # 109) at Mt. Hood Meadows. When Keith took over operation of Anthony Lakes Ski Area, Eric followed him there.

Sources: Friends and direct quotes from obituaries.

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Greg Marshall #701 1949 - 2020

Greg was Patroller #701 joining the Patrol in 1973.

He was the type of person you enjoyed skiing with. Greg was a very good skier, but the conversations and humor were even better. Greg earned a football scholarship to the University of Oregon. He was the President of the Oregon Club in the late 70's. Greg and his family loved playing golf together, skiing together, and especially playing with the grandchildren.

Greg spent his professional life in the financial field and the car business.

Sources: Friends and direct quotes from obituaries.



Dr. Dick Edmiston #928 1940 - 2020

Dick was Patroller #928 joining the Patrol in 1981 and serving as a member for 15 years.

Among the many impacts he had on the patrol, he was a Hill Captain, an Apprentice Coach, Assistant Patrol Chief, and served as President in 1987-88 & 1988-89. Dick attended PSU, and then the U of O Dental School. Following graduation Dick joined the Airforce as a Dentist. Outside of the Patrol, Dick was a very strong civic leader as well. Dick was a member of the Mazamas from childhood and scaled a number of the Northwest's major peaks over years of active climbing.

Sources: Friends and direct quotes from obituaries.

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Jerry Newmark #968

1956 – 2021

Jerry joined the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol in 1983 becoming member #968.

He graduated from the U of O with a degree in Business and Real Estate. After college Jerry worked as a manager for Benjamin Franklin Savings and Loan and then at 3M Corporation. He and his family traveled and skied together each winter. Some of Jerry's passions included playing soccer for the University of Oregon, cycling, running, being a member of MHSP, volunteering for the Sunshine Division and coaching soccer for the Special Olympics.

One of the organizations Jerry wished people would donate to upon his passing was the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol.



Tom Moore #1331

1953 - 2020

Tom started on the Mt. Hood Ski Patrol in 1998 as an Associate Patroller becoming Member #A446. He then moved to Hill Patroller #1331.

Tom was fun-loving, a talented individual, and was generous with his time. His career included commercial fishing, construction, planting trees, fence building, ski patroller, musician, and Uber & Lyft Driver. In addition to skiing his interests and hobbies included art & painting, writing, philosophy, music, and comedy. Tom liked to travel and, with Kat, traveled to many destinations in the US, Canada, Mexico, and Europe.

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Meg Tripp #1517 1983 - 2021

Meg Tripp joined the Patrol in 2007 as patroller #1517:

She started as a Hill Patroller then moved to Associate Patroller so she could stay involved while the patients recovered or received additional care. She graduated from Portland State University with a degree in Public Health. She then received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) at George Fox University. Meg worked most recently at Legacy Mt. Hood Medical Center in Gresham as Emergency Department Charge Nurse and House Supervisor. The family has set up the Meg Tripp Mt. Hood Nursing Scholarship with the Legacy Health Foundation.

Memorial contributions may be made to a dedicated nursing scholarship at: www.legacyhealthgiving.org/MegGadlerTripp, or mailed to Legacy Health Foundation, PO Box 4484, Portland, OR 97208. Please include a note on/with the check: Meg Tripp Mt. Hood Nursing Scholarship.



To our healthcare workers, first responders, paramedics,
hospital staff, community workers,
city employees and essential staff.