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The Newsletter of the Genesee Valley Region

Fall, 2000

## **Pamm Ferguson (outgoing) RD**

How quickly the time flies from year-ending banquets and picnics back to Region OEC and on-the-hill refreshers. Hope you all enjoyed the summer months and were able to kick back and relax – welcome back! This brief note will be my swan song as your RD. It's with mixed emotions that I have accepted the position of Assistant Division Director to serve with Jerry Sherman, the Division's new Director. Bill Sachs, your previous Div. Director was elected the NSP National Chair at the summer board meeting – that's great news.

Congratulations to Bill and to Jerry. I will miss seeing all of you on a regular basis, as the new territory I'll be covering for the Division is Genesee Valley, Western New York and Western Appalachian Regions. It has been a privilege and pleasure to serve as your RD. Thank you each – advisors, patrol representatives and patrollers for making the Region run so smoothly.

Now, let me introduce my replacement – John Lawson. John has been patrolling for ten years, is an OEC I/T, has been heavily involved in MCI planning, was Hunt Hollow's APR for OEC, then the Patrol Representative (the new patrol building was built during his watch – awesome feat), and works with the S&T program for the Hollow's candidates. As a tireless volunteer and contributor to the NSP beyond the local level, John was awarded his national appointment last year. He was ready to take over as Region Awards Advisor when he was asked to fill my unexpired term. I'm sure the Region will be well served by John; he is a leader by example and a model NSP ambassador.

Have a great season in 2000-01! Pamm

## **John Lawson (incoming) RD**

As my first official activity as Region Director I would like to start with congratulations to Jerry Sherman and Pamm Ferguson. Their new division responsibilities are a testimony to the good work they have done. I know they will continue to work hard and the Division will be better for it. Those of us in the Genesee Valley Region are fortunate, because they will provide us with excellent representation. We can be proud of all our local patrollers who have made such a mark on the division leadership.

I also want to recognize Pamm for the outstanding job she has done as Regional Director. She has gradually introduced me into the RD's world. The world I see is well

organized, and all the programs are in very good shape. Her leadership has been great. While it is great to come into an organization that is that well organized, the downside is that it is a very tough act to follow. For a woman who is smaller than I am, her shoes will be very hard to fill.

As I sit here in August my thoughts go to how the ski season has already begun. Taking over the RD position as Pamm has moved up to Assistant Division Director has provided me with the opportunity to be involved with all the planning for the activities that make up a very dynamic ski season in the Genesee Valley Region. All of the region advisors have been working diligently to put together the programs that will be offered. It has been a pleasure working with such a dedicated group, and I really look forward to the exciting ski season they are working hard to provide for all of us.

Our first regional event will be the familiar fall refreshers. The refreshers will be run in the same format as in previous years. You will need to bring your first aid pack and your completed study guide. You should have received your copy of the Ski Patrol Magazine with the guide in it last month. If you didn't receive your copy, the guide is available from the web on the NSP page (<http://www.nsp.org>). As a precaution, check the contents of your patrol pack before you leave for the refresher. If your house is like mine, you never know what gremlins helped themselves to the contents while you were busy enjoying the summer. Make sure you have all the materials you normally carry with you.

Also, the refreshers are the best opportunities to sign up for the region NSP programs being offered this winter. This year, in addition to the Senior OEC and S&T programs, several other electives counting towards Senior requirements will be offered. Avalanche will combine with Mountain Travel and Rescue and both will be offered in one weekend (two electives – one weekend). Also, there will be a lift evac seminar and courses to certify you as an instructor. If you are like me, you have made a lot of good friends and had many good experiences through involvement in NSP programs. Getting involved this season is a method of continuing this side benefit of patrolling.

I look forward to seeing you this ski season. I plan on attending as many region events as I can put on my calendar. A big benefit for me in being the RD is the contact with so many dedicated people on all the patrols in

the region. If there is anything I can do please feel free to contact me in person or by e-mail ([johnrlaw@aol.com](mailto:johnrlaw@aol.com)).

Think "Lots of Snow".

## REGIONAL ADVISORS:

### John Lawson (outgoing) Awards

Genesee Valley was fortunate again this year with several people being recognized for their outstanding efforts. This year John Topping (Hunt Hollow) won the Lehman Award, Region Outstanding Instructor. Jack Starke (Ski Valley) was awarded the Doyle Award (Region Distinguished Service Award) for continued service to the region. A highlight of the spring awards program was the award of a National Number to Al Efron at Swain's annual picnic. Congratulations to these worthy people and also thanks to them for their many years of continued service to the region as well as their home patrols.

I would like to take the opportunity at the beginning of the season to remind each patroller that the awards process begins with you. In each case, the award process starts with the nomination of the person for an award by a fellow patroller. There are awards for many activities including long-term continuing service as well for individual acts. The spectrum is wide. Your individual patrol has an awards representative who understands what the different awards are for and how the process works. They are also the people who bring nominations to the regional level. If you think someone is deserving of recognition, talk to your patrol awards representative. They can help you determine what an appropriate award would be. Remember, a person can't nominate himself. Therefore, if you think someone deserves an award you have to take the first step. History has shown that there are awards not given each year. Don't let a worthy person go unnoticed.

This year there will be some changes to the requirements for Divisional Outstanding awards, i.e. Outstanding Alpine Patroller. Nominations for these awards will not be considered if they are received by the division for review after mid January. I know it is early, but we don't control the process and it does take a minimum of six weeks once the paperwork is in division hands. Therefore, if we want awards to be given out in the spring, we need to identify candidates for such awards early and submit them early to be considered.

I will be giving up my very short tenure as Awards Advisor. Joe Menichino will take over in my place. Joe has been very active in the awards program in the past and he will do an excellent job as your Region Awards Advisor. Thanks to him for taking the responsibility. I'm sure when you need his support to get a fellow patroller the recognition they deserve he will support you 100%.

### Joe Menichino (incoming) Awards

As part of the turnover in staff associated ultimately with Jerry Sherman's acceptance of the Eastern Division Director's post, I have been asked to take the Genesee Valley Region Awards Advisor position. I gladly accepted this job because I know it will be both fun and rewarding. I have written a number of award letters in the past few years, and it is very satisfying to see the completed awards presented to deserving individuals. We are a volunteer organization and the least we can do is recognize and appreciate our hard-working members.

With this post comes a strong standing committee that represents all our local patrols. These folks are the messengers that identify our potential award candidates. It is critical that these members are well prepared to present the cases for potential awards. It's not too early to be thinking about this year's desired awards. I will be contacting both Don Garman and John Lawson, our past Award advisors for advice and details over the next few months. Please feel free to contact me at 607-587-8229 or [menichino@infoblvd.net](mailto:menichino@infoblvd.net) if you have ideas or suggestions that need to be heard during this advisor transition.

### Marcia Mundrick Instructor Development

Our Phase 1 Instructor Development course was quite successful this June. We had a talented group of patrollers participate in the program (and some of us even got to learn the Macarena!). The 10 who completed the course were: Dick Harding, Paul Pavone, Mark Whitford, Cathy Bentzoni, Marykae Hoercher, Mike Mooney, Matt Crispino, Amy Feltner, Karin Wittmann, and Mel Gleason. Many of them will be volunteering to advance to the Phase 2 of their chosen teaching discipline. The Region thanks them for time and energy. The next Phase 1 course will again be held in the Spring.

### Joe Menichino Certified

The summer sure flew by. It's hard to believe that refreshers are rapidly coming up. I don't have much new to report on the Certified program. I'd like to simply remind you that this is the right time to start planning, if you have an interest in starting the qualification process. I recommend that all interested candidates take a season and prepare by attending two excellent Certified programs. First, attend the Certified Patroller School held at Windham in mid-January. Gordie Bell and the Windham Patrol do an excellent job introducing the needed skills. The hill is modest, the pace fun and it's a great deal for \$50 (if the weather cooperates!). This is one of the few Certified training programs offered with individual feedback. Second, attend the actual test weekend as a guest. This will offer you a great opportunity to get to know fellow Certified patrollers and candidates. Most visitors are asked to act as patients and sled riders, which is a great way to see first hand what's required. Once you make up your mind and decide to start you'll need to complete the application, acquire two letters of recommendation from

Certified patrollers and take your pretest. I can help you with these arrangements and requirements. Please feel free to call me or any of the Certified patrollers in the region if you have an interest or questions about the program. More to come on test locations and dates in the next edition of the Trail Sweep. I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer.

## Alan Efron

## S&T

The 1999 – 2000 was a very successful one for the Genesee Valley Region's Ski / Snowboard and Toboggan Program! We ran a Phase 2 S&T program with 12 participants, an Eastern Division Skier Enhancement Seminar here in the Region with 12 participants, a Division Female Patrollers Clinic with 15 participants and a successful Region Senior Program. In our own Senior Program, we offered a one-day challenge experience and had 15 total candidates, of whom 13 or 87% were successful. Congratulations to Don Burgess, Leslie Kelley, Cyndi Sommers from Bristol Mountain, Chris Ebmeyer, Jeff Tallon, Greg Cox, Toby Thomas, and Mike Podhorecki from Hunt Hollow, Christina Hickock, Meredith Osborne, Bill Bezek and Barry Soper from Ski Valley and David Kelsch from Holimont who were successful in completing the S&T portion of the Senior Program. Special congratulations to Chris Ebmeyer, Leslie Kelley and Cyndi Sommers who became Seniors upon successful completion of the S&T challenge (and to Don Burgess who although already a Senior was successful on his Board!!). Finally, special merit should be given to Christina Hickock from Ski Valley who achieved the highest score!!

The 2000 – 2001 season is shaping up to be equally interesting. We plan to offer the following programs:

- **Phase 2 S&T Program:** designed for anyone who is interested in becoming a local S&T trainer but also good for those interested in beefing up their S&T training skills or anyone who simply needs a Senior elective that is well worth the time. The program will be held at Hunt Hollow, Thursday evening January 4, 2001 (7:00 – 10:00 pm) and Saturday January 6, 2001 (9:00 – 5:00 pm) – the dates and location of this program are still tentative. The price is anticipated to be free.
- **Basic and Advanced Board Enhancement Seminars:** these are Region-designed, one-day clinics focused on improving your overall board skills. The **Basic** BES is intended for patrollers already developing their board skills. One half of the day will be training provided by a Board Instructor focused on your basic board techniques, just as a PSIA would lead a skiability clinic for ski patrollers. The other half of the day will be led by one of our Region or Division board instructors focused on developing your patroller skills, The **Advanced** BES clinic is just that. A one-day clinic half targeted at improving your board technique and half at patrol skills, but for more advanced boarders.

To participate in the Advanced BES you must already be approved to patrol on a board at your home area. These clinics will not be held unless there is a minimum of 5 participants. To ensure the program provides individualized instruction, a maximum of 10 participants will be allowed in each clinic. The cost will be \$15, a real bargain!! Dates and locations are TBD.

- **Senior Program:** As communicated last year, we plan to offer a 2-Day Senior Clinic / Evaluation this season (and continue to plan to offer another 1-Day Challenge event next year). The clinic will be preceded by a variety of optional patroller skill clinics to enable you to adequately prepare for the clinic/ evaluation, should you wish to do so. An optional PSIA clinic will also be offered. This Senior Program is a great program for improving your skiing, boarding, patroller and toboggan skills through a series of fun, light clinics. Even if you don't want to take the time to become a Senior, the learning opportunity is great!! The schedule of clinics will be available at the fall refresher. The Senior S&T Challenge event will be held at Bristol Mountain the weekend of March 3 and 4, 2001. The price is anticipated to be free!!

Please go to the Region Web Page

(<http://www.nspgvr.org>) for the up-to-date schedule, cost and sign-up information for any of these clinics, or contact Alan Efron directly at (716) 924-1688 or E-mail Alan at: alan1227@aol.com.

## Mike Lord

## OEC

Well snow's not that far off and it's time to start thinking about our OEC refreshers. Both the instructor refreshers on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of Sept. and the region refreshers on the 28<sup>th</sup> of Oct. and the 5<sup>th</sup> of Nov. will be held at the Honeoye Falls/Lima High School.

The instructor refreshers will begin at 6:30, so please make an effort to be there a little early. Instructors should bring your packs, completed tests, and your instructor activity report for last year. There will be a bunch of material to go through so come ready to party hardy, and we'll be done at a reasonable hour.

The region refreshers will begin with registration at 7:30 to 8:00. Comments by our new region director and directions by you know who from 8:30 – till. We'll kick off the day of OEC fun at 9:00. Patrollers should bring your packs, completed refresher test, OEC card and some money to buy food from the HFL Nordic booster club.

The region candidate class is in full swing, with twenty-some candidates again this year. Instructors should be looking at the schedule I sent out in June and deciding what hands-on classes they would like to teach. Please contact Chris Stiegler when you've made your choice. Chris could also use a few instructors during the month of

September. Please contact Chris or me if you'd like to teach during the early fall.



Figure 1 - The 2000 Candidates

For those of you who have been patiently waiting for an OEC Phase II class, don't despair! I'm trying to set up a time and location before the region refresher, so those who want to can jump right into the fire as soon as possible. I have five names so far but anyone else interested in taking OEC Phase II can drop me a note or give me a call. E-mail me at [mglord31@hotmail.com](mailto:mglord31@hotmail.com) or [Mglord@aol.com](mailto:Mglord@aol.com). Call me at (607) 776-1353. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

### **Jeff Baker** **Lift Evacuation**

The folks at Hunt Hollow have graciously offered the location for this years Genesee Valley Region Lift Evacuation gathering. We will be working on techniques, new and old, and spending the vast majority of the day in an open forum, hands-on approach to Lift Evac and low angle rescue.

You don't have to have a formal position within your patrol to participate and contribute. Simply an interest in sharpening your skills and filling your bag of tricks is reason enough. We will start at 9 AM with a review of the day's agenda and a taste testing of some baked goods and coffee.

Please bring any and all equipment that you use currently, or perhaps some that you don't, and a desire to share your techniques with the group.

A break at midday will be filled with hots, hamburgers and soft drinks. Anticipate finishing the physical portion by 3:00 to allow a 30-minute wrap up.

In the interest of getting the highest number of participants possible, there will be an option of one of two dates. Please notify me as soon as possible with your preference, Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, or Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup>. The

majority choice wins. The following form can be filled out and either e-mailed or snail mailed.

[JeffreyBaker@msn.com](mailto:JeffreyBaker@msn.com) or Jeff Baker, 4 Cavendish Place, Rochester, N.Y. 14625

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Patrol: \_\_\_\_\_

Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer to attend on:

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup>

### **Bill Gamble** **Member Communications**

As we approach the Fall refresher season and an hopefully early ski season, I want to provide fair warning to all that I intend to provide photographic coverage of the refreshers and the major Region events from now 'til Spring. This means that you all will have an opportunity to be exposed for what you really are – hard-working, fun-loving patrollers – on the Internet and in Valley Views. 😊

At the Region OEC refreshers, you may be asked whether you wish to continue receiving Valley Views through the mail, or whether accessing the newsletter through the Internet alone would be satisfactory. Currently, the same information is available in both formats, but we are mailing each issue to around 635 addresses. While we have just learned that we will once again have access to donated printing, there are no guarantees for the future. It is easier and less costly to publish on the Internet, so if you were willing to forego the hard copy, you would be helping the Region reduce costs (which come out of your dues) and improve efficiency. We will, of course, continue to provide a printed newsletter to anyone who does not have Internet access or who simply prefers to have a printed newsletter.

Regardless of your newsletter preferences, I hope all of you with Internet access will get into the habit of checking the Region web site regularly for news, pictures, calendar updates, announcements, etc. The address is <http://www.nspgvr.org>. Also, if you have any news or information you would like to see published on the web site, contact me at [wgamble.me65@gtalumni.org](mailto:wgamble.me65@gtalumni.org).

The deadline for input to the Winter edition of Valley Views will be December 10, 2000. Send input to me at the e-mail address above, or via snail mail at 8 High Gate Trail, #5, Fairport, NY 14450.

See you on the hills and trails.

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## NEWS FROM THE PATROLS:

## **SKI VALLEY**

As noted in the Spring edition of Valley Views, the Board of Directors of Ski Valley decided in April to close the hill, allow their lender to declare a default under their mortgage agreement and ultimately force the lender to either foreclose or sell their debt to an interested buyer. To date there have been no further developments and therefore it appears unlikely that Ski Valley, or some semblance thereof, will be open this coming winter.

A number of Ski Valley's patrollers have made inquiry, and are in the process of being accepted by, various other patrols in the Genesee Valley Region. The willingness of the other patrols to provide a patrolling home is much appreciated and speaks to the level of camaraderie enjoyed in this Region.

For those Ski Valley patrollers that remain optimistic that something will come of Ski Valley, are not yet ready to transfer, or have other things going in their lives that a year off will facilitate, the Patrol will remain as an active organization for the time being. Members will be registered, attend OEC and CPR refreshers, participate in training and Region courses and of course, have a couple of social events planned. We may not be able to patrol but we can socialize.

Jim Dudley, PR

## **BRISTOL**

Hello Patrollers. Here's a summary of Bristol Mountain news.

### **Mountain News:**

Bristol is in the process of removing the North Chair. This chair has been in service since 1964. The triple CTEC chair that was on the south side of Rocket Run is going to be reinstalled as the North Chair. The crew has cut trees at the top of the mountain to accommodate the longer lift. The loading ramp of the lift will be higher up on the mountain and should eliminate some of the problems that we have had in the past with the accidents at the intersection of Rocket Run and Lower Meteor. There will be no mid station unloading from the triple chair.

CTEC will also be installing a new quad lift at the top of the mountain. Beginners are expected to use the two new gentle trails that the lift will service. The unloading ramp will be south of the existing quad and the lift will run along a gentle ridge that is roughly parallel to Southern Cross.



**Figure 2 - Bristol's New Trails**

Bristol will be running sky rides on the detachable quad lift on weekends starting September 16<sup>th</sup> and running through the end of October. Come down and see the new trails and the fall foliage.

### **Picnic News:**

Despite the dreary day, our May 20<sup>th</sup> picnic was a huge success. Dan Fuller and Frank Riccio were gracious enough to lend us the use of the Satellite Lodge, which was put to good use. Craig Ronald and Tom Hagerty put on a delicious spread of hamburgers and chicken. The food that everyone brought disappeared in no time.

Awards were given out to Bob Finger as Patroller of the Year and to Janet Remizowski as candidate of the year. Congratulations to both. Kris Vasiliauskas received a 15-year service pin and Ron Perrin received a 20-year service pin.

### **New Candidates:**

The MRB interviewed candidates in June. We now have three new candidates and four transfers for the upcoming season. Welcome to Bristol!

### **Personal - Weddings:**

July 2<sup>nd</sup> - Mark and Darcy D'Angelis were married on the Canandaigua Lady.

July 22<sup>nd</sup> - Cyndi Sommers and Greg Sherman.

Bob Finger and Nancy Brown will exchange vows on September 9.

Congratulations to all.

### **Important Dates to Remember:**

**September 23** – On-the-Hill. This starts at 7:30 AM and will be a long day. There will be a chair lift evacuation in the morning and a MCI drill in the afternoon. Mercy Flight plans on coming in the afternoon. We will be working from 7:30AM to 4:30PM.

**December 3 (Sunday)** – Blackout Drill and general meeting at 5:00PM



Have a wonderful summer. See you at the Fall Refreshers.

Melissa Doyle, PR

## **SWAIN**

After another busy summer, Swain patrollers are starting to get ready for the snow to fly again in a new winter. We look forward to a productive fall refresher season, with our on-the-hill refresher scheduled for Saturday September 23, 2000.

Last year, we had an active candidate class complete their OEC and S & T training thanks to the hard work of Ginny Illi who ran the OEC program and to Tom Wallin and Roger Slade who ran the S&T program. Thanks also to all the instructors who assisted them in teaching the OEC and S&T classes. Special thanks are due to Lei Mark for her hard work all year long as Membership Committee Chair recruiting and advising candidates and managing all of our registration. Even as you read this she is already hard at work on the coming year's candidate class and patrol registration.

On Saturday, June 20 we held our patrol picnic at the A-ON-DO-Wa-NUH Sportsman Club under the able direction of Marie Osypian and Jennifer Conine. This reunion after the snow had melted was our chance for one hard-earned day of relaxation and fun together without any of the usual responsibilities of patrolling. We were pleased to have Region Director Pamm Ferguson join us for the picnic and honored to see her present the National Appointment to Alan Efron who has served us so loyally as treasurer and made such an outstanding contribution to the region as Senior S&T Advisor.

Swain has six candidates enrolled in the Genesee Valley Region OEC class this year and we hope to have these candidates complete the S&T training at Swain during the winter also. The following patrollers completed the Phase I course over the summer and are looking forward to completing the next Phase II course this year: Matt Crispino, Dick Harding, Mike Mooney, Mark Whitford, and Amy Feltner.

On the equipment front, we have two new additions that should improve our quality of service this year: a new six wheeler vehicle for transporting injured skiers from the first aid room to the ambulance and a AED machine. We are building a rack & seat mechanism for the six wheeler and we expect to begin training all patrollers on the AED this season. In addition, we are constructing a new double sled house to replace the one that was lost to a falling tree this summer and we also have a Scout building 12 new backboards as an Eagle Scout project to cover the wear and tear of recent years. Three of our recent Venturers will be joining us as full patrollers this year.

We will be recruiting new patrollers and transfers next season - anyone who knows interested parties should contact Lei Mark, membership committee chair.

We look forward to the 2000-2001 ski season and hope it brings us lots of natural snow and an injury free season.

Myron Crispino, PR

## **BRANTLING**

Our On - The – Hill Refresher will be Nov 11th, starting at 0800 hr. with a short meeting and registration. Training should start about 0900. We should be done around noon, with a work party after lunch.

The annual Ski Sale/Chicken BBQ is Nov 5th.

It appears that we are losing a couple of patrollers and have no candidates this year. If anyone from Ski Valley is looking for patrol time, Fifi has given us the OK to take on some additional personnel. We would consider transfers and/or dual registration.

Steve Mitchell, PR

## **HUNT HOLLOW**

The Hunt Hollow patrol is just starting to lay the plans for the upcoming season. We're hard at work constructing new backboards, acquiring some new first aid equipment, and adding some more lockers and hopefully a deck to our new building. Plans are being settled for our fall On-Hill refresher (scheduled for September 17).

We have four new candidates that started the Region OEC course on August 7 – John Athans, Sandy McNabb, Paul Trippi, and Will Hitchcock. Welcome to them all! Our thanks certainly go out to the all the instructors who make the Region OEC course possible!

We'd also like to welcome Gordy Benoit, Norm Robinson, John Starke, Jack Starke, Jeff Baker, and Al Hickok to the Hunt Hollow patrol. We're very excited to have these folks and look forward to the new ideas and knowledge they will bring. Welcome aboard!

Our plans are to resume chairlift self-evac training this year, after a hiatus of several years. Also in the works is a large-scale night chair evac drill / MCI adventure (date is TBD) after there is snow on the hill.

Our summer party was held on August 12<sup>th</sup>, hosted by member Mike Podhorecki.

We have two patrollers leaving our ranks this year. Bruce Barrett, CPR and lift evac instructor for 10 years, has retired and moved to the gulf coast in Alabama, where he's

building a beautiful new house and planning to do a lot more windsurfing. Fritz Hoehn, after an incredible 41 years of patrolling, has decided to retire. We're wondering if he'll remember how to ski WITHOUT a pack, radio, etc! Fritz was one of the original Hunt patrollers and the last one on our active roster. Both of these guys will be missed.

Best wishes for the rest of the summer.

Dick Hitchcock, PR

## **NORDIC**

The coming season promises new adventures and exciting growth for cross-country ski patrollers. Our GVNSP has grown and has more candidates this year again. We are pondering how to utilize our strengths and provide services in a useful manner. We will continue strong patrolling presence at Cumming Nature Center and in Mendon Ponds Park. We are considering some other sites, but want to put proper training of the new patrollers ahead of any hasty expansions.

The on-the-hill refresher will be scheduled on the first weekend of December. We will post the specifics at the refresher. This year we will host a Nordic toboggan evacuation seminar when we have snow on the ground. This will be a fascinating experience for alpine skiers interested in how Nordics handle transportation and evacuation, and want to consider adding skills to their repertoire. Notices of this event will be sent to the patrols in December.

The entire Patrol wants to thank Eric Jaeckel for his magic touch as our past PR and energetic leadership, as well as his camaraderie on the trails. Eric is leaving us for what he thinks is more exciting terrain: Colorado, his home. We will miss him, but wish him the very best success in his new venture. Holger Stave has taken the helm (in absentia at the moment in Argentina), with Chuck Crockett as APR holding the fort (from Africa and China).

Holger Stave, PR

## **POWDER MILLS PARK**

The sun is shining, the sky is blue and I'm wearing shorts. It's hard to turn our thoughts to Winter, but the Fall preparations are going to be quickly upon us. It seems like we just finished our Season-ending meeting and Spring Picnic, but that was all the way back on May 20th. We had a great turnout at Larry and Kathy Briscoe's house. I would like to thank the two of them as well as Paul and Judy Haley for putting everything together.

Pete Peterson joined us for the event and presented Larry Briscoe with a Certificate of Appreciation from the region for serving as Patrol Representative. At that meeting we also held the Spring elections. I will be picking up the reins from Larry to serve as PR, and William Lutz will be taking

over for me as the Assistant PR.

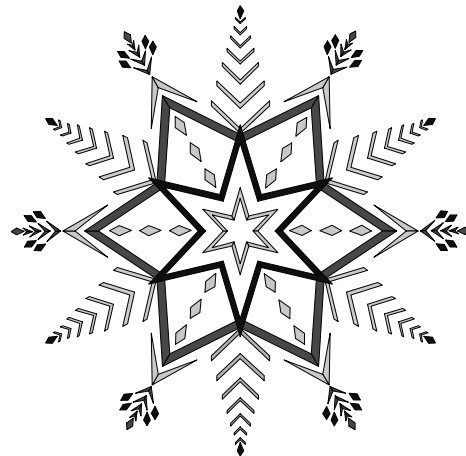
We will be holding our traditional September meeting on the 12th at 6:30pm. This time we will be at my house in Victor.

Our on-the-hill refresher is tentatively planned for Saturday October 21<sup>st</sup> from 8am (sharp) until Noon. We have moved it up so that it will be before the region refreshers. We are having a little trouble getting the site prior to November 1st. I will confirm the time and location at our September 12th meeting. As a reminder, the region refreshers are October 28th and November 5th.

We would like to welcome two new members of the patrol; they are transferees Scott Rasmussen and Norm Deets. They are both experienced patrollers from Ski Valley. I am looking forward to the chance to work with these guys and see what new ideas and experiences they bring to the patrol.

Enjoy your summer, prepare for the refreshers, and think snow.

Glenn Becker, PR



# Calendar

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DISCIPLINE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Region OEC Instructor Refresher	<b>OEC Instructors</b>	September 12	6:30 PM	Honeoye Falls-Lima H.S.	Mike Lord H: 607-776-1353 <a href="mailto:mglord31@hotmail.com">mglord31@hotmail.com</a>
Region Meeting	<b>Region Officers</b>	September 14	7:30 PM	Bristol	John Lawson H: 716-248-5093 <a href="mailto:JohnRLaw@aol.com">JohnRLaw@aol.com</a>
Hunt Hollow On-Hill Refresher	<b>Hunt Hollow Patrollers</b>	September 17	8:00 AM	Hunt Hollow	Dick Hitchcock H: 716-586-6215 <a href="mailto:rhitchco@rochester.rr.com">rhitchco@rochester.rr.com</a>
Region OEC Instructor Refresher	<b>OEC Instructors</b>	September 18	6:30 PM	Honeoye Falls-Lima H.S.	Mike Lord H: 607-776-1353 <a href="mailto:mglord31@hotmail.com">mglord31@hotmail.com</a>
Swain On-Hill Refresher	<b>Swain Patrollers</b>	September 23	TBA	Swain	Myron Crispino H: 607-936-3177 W: 607-936-1269 <a href="mailto:mcrispin@stny.lrun.com">mcrispin@stny.lrun.com</a>
Bristol On-Hill Refresher (MCI & Lift Evac.)	<b>Bristol Patrollers</b>	September 23	7:30 AM - 4:30 PM	Bristol	Melissa Doyle H: 716-394-1828 W: 716-588-8516 <a href="mailto:mdoyle@eznet.net">mdoyle@eznet.net</a>
Powder Mills Park On-Hill Refresher	<b>Powder Mills Patrollers</b>	October 21 (tent.)	8:00 AM - Noon	Powder Mills Park	Glenn Becker H: 716-924-5113 <a href="mailto:Glenn.Becker@usa.xerox.com">Glenn.Becker@usa.xerox.com</a>
Region Lift Evacuation Seminar (tent. date)	<b>All Interested Patrollers</b>	October 21 (tent.)	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Hunt Hollow	Jeff Baker H: 716-249-9369 <a href="mailto:JeffreyBaker@msn.com">JeffreyBaker@msn.com</a>
Region OEC Refresher	<b>All Patrollers</b>	October 28	7:30 AM	Honeoye Falls-Lima H.S.	Mike Lord H: 607-776-1353 <a href="mailto:mglord31@hotmail.com">mglord31@hotmail.com</a>
Region Lift Evacuation Seminar (poss. alt. date)	<b>All Interested Patrollers</b>	November 4 (tent. alt. date)	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	Hunt Hollow	Jeff Baker H: 716-249-9369 <a href="mailto:JeffreyBaker@msn.com">JeffreyBaker@msn.com</a>
Region OEC Refresher	<b>All Patrollers</b>	November 5	7:30 AM	Honeoye Falls-Lima H.S.	Mike Lord H: 607-776-1353 <a href="mailto:mglord31@hotmail.com">mglord31@hotmail.com</a>
Region Meeting	<b>Region Officers</b>	November 9	7:30 PM	Bristol	John Lawson H: 716-248-5093 <a href="mailto:JohnRLaw@aol.com">JohnRLaw@aol.com</a>
Brantling On-Hill Refresher	<b>Brantling Patrollers</b>	November 11	8:00 AM	Brantling	Steve Mitchell H: 315-946-3372
Bristol Blackout Lift Evac. Drill	<b>Bristol Patrollers</b>	December 3	5:00 PM	Bristol	Melissa Doyle H: 716-394-1828 W: 716-588-8516 <a href="mailto:mdoyle@eznet.net">mdoyle@eznet.net</a>
Hunt Hollow Night Lift Evac.	<b>Hunt Hollow Patrollers</b>	December 17 (tent.)	TBA	Hunt Hollow	Dick Hitchcock H: 716-586-6215 <a href="mailto:rhitchco@rochester.rr.com">rhitchco@rochester.rr.com</a>
Region Breakfast Meeting	<b>Region Officers</b>	January, Date TBD	8:00 AM	TBD	John Lawson H: 716-248-5093 <a href="mailto:JohnRLaw@aol.com">JohnRLaw@aol.com</a>
Phase II S&T Course - Part 1	<b>S&amp;T Trainer Cands.</b>	January 4	7:00 PM	Hunt Hollow (tent.)	Alan Efron, H: 716-924-1688 <a href="mailto:alan1227@aol.com">alan1227@aol.com</a>
Phase II S&T Course - Part 2	<b>S&amp;T Trainer Cands.</b>	January 6	9:00 AM	Hunt Hollow (tent.)	Alan Efron, H: 716-924-1688 <a href="mailto:alan1227@aol.com">alan1227@aol.com</a>



Senior OEC Clinics Begin	<b>Senior OEC Candidates</b>	January 23	7:00 PM (Tuesdays & Thursdays)	East Rochester Ambulance Base	Bob Finger H: 716-394-9392 <a href="mailto:bobfinger@juno.com">bobfinger@juno.com</a>
Outdoor Senior OEC Clinics Begin	<b>Senior OEC Candidates</b>	January 28	TBA (Sundays)	Various outdoor locations	Bob Finger H: 716-394-9392 <a href="mailto:bobfinger@juno.com">bobfinger@juno.com</a>
Bristol OEC Practical Pre-test	<b>Bristol Candidates</b>	February 18	9:00 AM	Bristol	Bob Finger H: 716-394-9392 <a href="mailto:bobfinger@juno.com">bobfinger@juno.com</a>
Bristol OEC Practical Final Test	<b>Bristol Candidates</b>	February 24	9:00 AM - Noon	Bristol	Bob Finger H: 716-394-9392 <a href="mailto:bobfinger@juno.com">bobfinger@juno.com</a>
Bristol Candidate Party	<b>Bristol Candidates</b>	February 24	PM	TBA	Bob Finger H: 716-394-9392 <a href="mailto:bobfinger@juno.com">bobfinger@juno.com</a>
Final Senior OEC Test	<b>Senior OEC Candidates</b>	March 4	7:30 AM	Brantling	Bob Finger H: 716-394-9392 <a href="mailto:bobfinger@juno.com">bobfinger@juno.com</a>
Region Meeting	<b>Region Officers</b>	March 8	7:30 PM	Bristol	John Lawson H: 716-248-5093 <a href="mailto:JohnRLaw@aol.com">JohnRLaw@aol.com</a>
Region Meeting	<b>Region Officers</b>	April 12	7:30 PM	Bristol	John Lawson H: 716-248-5093 <a href="mailto:JohnRLaw@aol.com">JohnRLaw@aol.com</a>

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