



Bob André RD

We should all be thankful for a strong negative North Atlantic Oscillation this year. Sounds like a rock group, and there is one with this handle in Scotland, but for us it means a cold winter! It is a meteorological phenomenon in the North Atlantic that brings arctic air into the northeast and makes our snowmaking efficient, as well as providing natural snow. Our areas are all open now, so we can go from dry land training to skiing – yippee!

Our instructor corps has already had a busy and successful fall season. Gina Wyffels has demonstrated great dedication and organization in leading our OEC program. The fall refreshers were well organized and innovative, with some creative presentations by the OEC instructors. As I have toured refreshers in other regions, I am always impressed with the creativity in moulage and props that make our refreshers realistic and fun. With a little snowmaking, we could have opened Bill Gottermeier's "ski slope" and started another Patrol! Jenn Jesske's presentation on Critical Stress Debriefing (CSD) was a very informative, and her group will provide a valuable resource for the Region when needed.

This year's Candidate class graduated 26 new Patrollers. I had the pleasure of working with them on several occasions and have been very impressed with this group of talented individuals. They will be valuable additions to their patrols and the Region. Mark Bowker and Cathy Rague deserve heartfelt thanks from all of us for doing such a great job in bringing this class to a successful conclusion. I am sure Gina will mention this, but special thanks go to the instructors and ITs for their dedication and hard work in assuring that our Candidates received the best instruction we can offer. Congratulations to all of you. Find out who these new Patrollers are in your patrol, welcome them, and mentor them in your own version of Patroller 101.

Our MTR and Avalanche programs are already well underway with a great group of Patrollers enrolled. We must be doing something right with these programs judging by the yearly enrollment, especially compared to other regions, some of which, unfortunately, have no programs or instructors. Thank you Skip Millor and Jim Mussgnug and your instructor corps.

I wish to thank Gary Marks and Mike Stamp for completing the Senior Program this year and very much enjoyed presenting them with Senior pins and the new Senior Certificate, which I was involved in preparing for the Eastern Division. Also Cathy Bentzoni and Bonnie

Andre' should be congratulated for obtaining National Appointments, in recognition of leadership and years of service to all who ski. Education and our instructors are, for me, the heart of our Ski Patrol, and I wish that more Patrollers were able to avail themselves of the opportunities for enhancement of their skills through our excellent programs. The Senior program and our educational programs increase value to our ski areas, promote leadership, provide great opportunities to interact with Patrollers from other patrols and regions, and are just plain fun. Grab one of your friends and sign up for one of these programs - you won't be disappointed.

Congratulations to Nick Schiavetti on his election as ARD to replace outgoing Marcia Mundrick. I am confident that Marcia will continue to be her outgoing self while behind the scenes, benefiting the Region in so many ways. Also congratulations and my thanks go to Mary Emmighausen for taking over the job description of Assistant Division OEC Supervisor from outgoing Mike Lord. Thank you Mike for representing the Region in this important, but often unheralded post. Mary will be responsible for support and quality assurance of the OEC Program in CNY, GVR, and WNY. Her exposure to the OEC Program in other regions will be a valuable asset to our region.

By now you are probably tired of hearing about our coming new OEC textbook. By the time you read this, we should have much better information on the timing and how moving to a new text will affect our programs next year. The Region will be subsidizing texts for our instructors through the education fund. Many Patrols have also decided to help out with the cost, and it is possible that National will also contribute for our instructors. Stay tuned for an exciting ride in the OEC program next year.

Nick, Bonnie and I will be representing the Region on radio station WYSL on January 15 and 16 from 7-8 AM. Our goal is to educate the public about the National Ski Patrol and provide information on our Region Patrols and joining them. We are also considering other public relations opportunities that should enhance public awareness of the National Ski Patrol and aid in our patrols obtaining quality Patrollers.

Bonnie and I wish all of you a Happy and Prosperous Holiday Season.

REGIONAL ADVISORS:

Gina Wyffels

OEC

OEC Programs Summary – Gina Wyffels

We had great accomplishments in all of our OEC programs. Many, many thanks to all region staff, ITs and instructors who prepared, presented and supported the OEC Candidate class, the Instructor Refreshers and the Region Refreshers. Very special thanks to Cathy Rague and Mark Bowker who tirelessly coordinated and supported one of the largest Candidate classes in many years! All of the area patrols showed their support by allowing open use of their ski patrol facilities and equipment for the Saturday hands-on training. We changed venues this year for the Candidate class and were very pleased with the accommodations at Victor High School. We have been encouraged to contact them in the spring to schedule next year's class!

OEC Class 2010 – Cathy Rague and Mark Bowker

The OEC class of 2010 was a group of 26 high energy and dedicated Nordic and alpine skiers and snowboarders from all of the area patrols. They came to the class with an array of knowledge and backgrounds:

EMT's, motocross racers, teachers, parents, and a musicologist, to name a few. On the instructor side, we had five or six OEC instructors at each of the 28 classes at Victor High School and the 10 hands-on practices at the ski areas on Saturdays. The Instructors were extremely well prepared. Each OEC Instructor spent at least 20 hours preparing and teaching classes from August through November. The Final Test at Swain was a great success - we had a group of 38 instructors, Patrollers and two excellent grill chefs volunteer their time for the day. Twenty-five Candidates passed the final that day, and one Candidate passed his test on Dec 5. Instructors and Candidates alike came away from the class with new and refined knowledge, ready for another snow season in the Genesee Valley Region.

OEC Instructor Mentoring Program – Nick Schiavetti

Congratulations to the nine new OEC instructors who completed the mentoring program this year: Aaron Duncan, Bill Gottermeier and Betsy Landry of Bristol, Debbie Whelan and Mike Young of GV Nordic, Gregg Kott of Hunt Hollow, and Shannon Bielaska, Diane Freiner and Roger Slade of Swain !

Many thanks also to their mentors: Bob Andre, Bonnie Andre, Glen Becker, Joe Menichino, John Topping, Marsha Wait, Rick Micoli, Sue Haefner, and Tom Wallin for all of their time and effort in preparing these Candidates for their final instructor evaluations. Thanks as well to the ITs, who volunteered their extra time in completing the instructor evaluations: Bob Andre, Gina Wyffels, John Lawson, Nick Schiavetti, Janet Remizowski, Kris Vasiliauskas, and especially John Topping who stepped up extra times to do three evaluations.

Reading such a long list of people who contributed extra time and effort to support OEC in the GV Region demonstrates the team nature of this program. It is the outstanding commitment of these Patrollers that makes it possible for us to train new Patrollers and refresh our veterans. So the next time you see these folks on the hill this winter, be sure to thank them personally for their contributions to your ability to continue patrolling and our ability to serve the skiing public.

Peter Parker

S&T

Now is the time! Have you been wondering how you could improve your skiing/riding and toboggan handling, while also enjoying the terrain at your local mountains? Now is the time!

The Senior S&T Program will soon be underway, so sign up today!

Go to the GVR Website - <http://www.nspgvr.org/> - click on S&T – and you'll find the information you need, including the schedule of clinics.

Your S&T Trainer/Evaluator staff is dedicated to ensuring we all have fun while developing and improving our skills as Patrollers.

In addition to the schedule of clinics on the website you will also find Patroller Enhancement Seminars, Toboggan Enhancement Seminars, and Skier/Rider Enhancement Seminars listed that take place throughout the Eastern Division. Event dates change and others are added, so check back often and enroll early!

In summary – NOW IS THE TIME – enroll in Sr. S&T today! Email me at prp2@rochester.rr.com to hold your spot, then fill out the enrollment form on the website – have your Patrol Director sign it – and mail to Peter Parker, 33 Superior Rd, Rochester NY 14625. Include a check for the program fee - \$50 – made out to Genesee Valley Region Ski Patrol.

See you soon ON THE SNOW!

Bill Teamerson

Senior EMM

Well it is December and the snow is finally falling!

We have a small class for EMM this year, so there is still time to join the fun. If you talk to anyone that has taken the class recently, I think they will all agree that we make it fun, educational, and exciting. We also add just enough tension to keep it real.

If you have ANY interest, please feel free to give me a call or e-mail - bill@waysidegardencenter.com, and we can discuss the class. Since it is a small class, we can probably adapt to any restrictions that you might have. If you cannot make many of the classes or the final, we would enjoy having you stop in at a class or two, just to see what it is all about.

We will be having an OEC Enhancement day on February 13th at Swain. It is a fun day filled with skiing, first aid and fun. It will be in a rally style. That means that we will scatter scenarios around the hill, and you will ski around in groups to find the incidents. Think of it as an Easter Egg Hunt on skis. This also qualifies as one-half of a Senior Elective.

Michael Mooney **Instructor Development**

Patrollers who want to become instructors in Outdoor Emergency Care, Ski & Toboggan Transportation, Mountain Travel & Rescue, or Avalanche need to enroll in the Instructor Development course to begin the process of becoming an instructor. This class is offered every spring after the end of the ski season to avoid the time conflicts that patrollers encounter during the ski season and counts as a senior elective. Participants in the course learn principles of effective classroom and field teaching techniques and observe a variety of demonstration teaching models.

In response to student feedback regarding the late night classes of previous years, we modified the Genesee Valley Region schedule this past spring to present most of the course in an all-day Saturday session, followed by a wrap-up session on the following Thursday evening. Four Patrollers completed this Instructor Development class in May 2010 and are now going through the mentoring process to become instructors. In our survey of the patrollers who completed the course, we received lots of enthusiastic feedback about the new class format. We are also looking into added a combination of online and classroom sessions to further assist patrollers in becoming instructors. Check the region website for further information. Signup sheets were available at the Region Refreshers in the fall, and you can also contact me at mooney@geneseeo.edu to register for the course.

In addition to completing the Instructor Development course, Patrollers who want to become instructors need to complete the mentoring program with an experienced instructor in each discipline and be evaluated by an Instructor Trainer. Genesee Valley Region has been very successful in mentoring and evaluating new instructors, and there are lots of experienced instructors who are available to give you assistance or advice on the instructor mentoring program. The region now also has a mentoring webpage that provides information about the mentoring process – you will find the link to it in the lower right column of the GV Region homepage (<http://www.nspgvr.org>) right underneath the Instructor Development link. Another new feature on the region website this year is the posting of lists of the requirements and responsibilities of instructors in OEC, S&T, MTR, and Avalanche in this region, on both the Mentoring and Instructor Development web pages, in Adobe Acrobat PDF format for downloading. The intent of these documents is to help potential instructors develop realistic expectations regarding what an instructor does and what the time commitments are to instruct in each discipline before signing up.

We have instructors from various patrols in the region with teaching experience in each of the NSP disciplines who will teach the Instructor Development course this year: Marcia Mundrick (Bristol: OEC, EMM, MTR, Avalanche), Mike Mooney (Swain: S&T), Glen Gebhard (Swain & GV Nordic: OEC), John Lawson (Hunt Hollow: OEC, EMM), Bob Andre (Hunt Hollow: OEC, EMM, MTR, Avalanche), Pam Welch (Bristol OEC) and Nick Schiavetti (Swain: OEC, MTR, Avalanche).

The Instructor Development class is the gateway to becoming an instructor who trains new patrol Candidates and refreshes current patrollers. These training activities enable the region to replenish our ranks and update our patroller skills. We invite you to take part in an enjoyable learning experience, and join the corps of instructors in this region who contribute so much both to the patrols and to the skiing public.

Skip Millor MTR

Did you know that all who completed MTR2 in the Genesee Valley Region are always welcome to come join us for any portion of an MTR course at **no charge**? All you have to do is let us know of your intentions in advance of the course, so we can keep you up to date on changes in location, etc.

Speaking of MTR2, we will be holding the course next season in the region. Look for details in the GVR home page under Calendar in May 2011. We will be sending out applications to those who completed MTR1 in the past and have indicated a desire to take MTR2, but had scheduling conflicts. Applications for the course will be available the first of October, 2011.

We are halfway though MTR1 with 11 participants. This is the largest class we have had in over 10 years. They are a dynamic fun group. I am confident the outdoor session will have a high fun quotient.

Jim Mussgnug **Avalanche**

This season we are conducting a combined Avalanche Safety and Rescue and Mountain Travel and Rescue program in Genesee Valley Region. We are fortunate to have Dennis Whitney organizing this course as Instructor of Record. We will be running the Introduction to Avalanche Safety and Rescue course along with Mountain Travel and Rescue Level I. This is a great opportunity to get two Senior electives completed in one overall course. We have designed a program to ensure we meet program delivery requirements in a reasonably condensed format. We have 8 students taking both the MTR program and the Avalanche program: 5 from Swain, 1 from Brantling, 1 from Hunt Hollow, and 1 from Greek Peak.. The first night, Thursday, December 2, 2010 we devoted to MTR fundamentals such as clothing, sleeping bags, shelters, cooking, and food. The next indoor session, on Saturday, December 11, 2010, we concentrated on the classroom portion of the Avalanche program. The objective of this session is to cover the relationship of weather, snow pack, terrain and the human element to provide the means to assess

avalanche risk when traveling in the backcountry. We also used this session to inspect everyone's pack to ensure they have assembled the appropriate gear for the upcoming overnight session.

With the fundamentals covered in the indoor sessions, the final session is a weekend event planned for January 15-16, 2011 at Webster Park. We have found that Webster Park provides reasonable terrain to work with, a shelter to conduct some training at night and to gather in for socializing, and close access to vehicles in case of an emergency. This session covers topics such as orienteering, low angle rescue rope work, emergency shelters and fire starting, avalanche rescue beacons and probing. The culmination of the event is a practical search and rescue exercise including avalanche rescue techniques. All elements of the program are integrated, such as use of avalanche rescue beacons, probing, and search techniques, and use of Z-lines to extricate injured skiers.

Students and instructors all consider this course format to be a success and a lot of fun for participants. The Region is fortunate to have a dedicated staff of instructors for Avalanche and MTR to guide your learning and help ensure you have an enjoyable experience in a safe environment. Come on out and experience another aspect to Ski Patrolling!

Eastern Division is planning to conduct an Avalanche Level 2 course March 17-20, 2011, at Whiteface Mountain. This is a fantastic program and everyone has always come away impressed with the overall program and the opportunity to conduct field work in actual avalanche terrain. Look to the Eastern Division NSP Calendar for the details for this event.

Nick Schiavetti **Alumni**

Many patrollers are not aware that there are two alumni programs - their local mountain's alumni benefits program and the National Ski Patrol Alumni Association program. Each ski area in the region has its own individual policies regarding alumni benefits, but the national Alumni program provides consistent benefits for all retired Patrollers regardless of where they patrolled.

The "mission" of the NSP program is "to utilize the experience, knowledge and energies of those who have retired from active patrolling, while extending to them the recognition, dignity and awards they have earned." Alumni can stay involved by teaching NSP courses if they maintain their teaching credentials, can be members of courtesy patrols, work with Special Olympics, act in administrative capacities such as newsletter editors, webmasters, treasurers, registrars, social directors, etc., and assist with any and all NSP-sponsored activities.

The national registration fee for Alumni membership is \$27 per year. Lifetime membership is \$700, or \$350 for members with 30 years of active service. It is free for those with 50 years service. Lifetime Patrollers retain

Lifetime status as Alumni without further charge after they retire from active patrolling.

Alumni program information and a registration application form can be found on the Alumni page of the GVR web site at <http://www.nspgvr.org>. For any other questions, contact me at 585-243-5079 or email me at redhill3@rochester.rr.com

The Alumni Day for this ski season has been set for February 25, 2011 at Hunt Hollow. Invitations will be mailed to all registered Alumni in January 2011. Last February 2010, 16 Alumni and 15 guests enjoyed a day of skiing on several inches of new snow at Hunt Hollow and a great buffet put on by the Hunt Hollow caterer in the lodge. We hope that more will be able to make it next year, as we have recruited 10 new Alumni members within the region and hope to see this year's retirees join us soon.

In the Genesee Valley Region, in addition to the "Alumni Ski Day" each year, Alumni receive Ski Patrol Magazine and the Ski Patrol Catalog from National, the electronic newsletters Trail Sweep from the Eastern Division and Valley Views from the Region, and invitations to local ski shops' "Pro Nights".

The Genesee Valley Region has also invited the Region Alumni Advisor to become an ex officio member of the region awards committee. Our hope is to recognize Alumni who have made significant contributions to their patrols as well as to the region, division, and national. This year we were able to present three new Alumni with NSP Distinguished Service Awards for their many years of contributions to their patrols and the region. If you know of any Alumni who have recently retired that you believe deserve to be recognized for their outstanding service, please contact me so we can prepare credentials for the awards committee to submit an award application on their behalf. Also contact me if you know of someone who is about to retire this year whose service you would like to see recognized with an award. We can discuss which award would be appropriate and gather the data needed to submit an application so the award can be given at the time of retirement.

I would like to close by welcoming Merrily Hoover as my co-advisor for the region Alumni program this year. Merrily will be taking over the duties of the region Alumni advisor next year and I look forward to her stewardship of the program. We all remember what a great job Merrily did in her past roles in the region OEC and Instructor Development programs and we owe her a big debt of gratitude for stepping up to the plate to take the responsibility for running the Alumni program. Come to the Alumni day in February, and thank Merrily in person for assuming her new role with us!

Joe Menichino **Certified**

Hi folks- it's finally snowing and it's good and cold-fantastic.

I want to remind you that our Division has a huge list of programs available for us this season covering Patroller Schools, Intro to Certified, Ski and Toboggan Enhancement Seminars and Women-only Sled Clinics. There are actually too many scheduled to list them all here. Find the details on the eastern Division NSP Calendar web page.

<http://www.nspeast.org/html/calendar.htm>

Close-by programs to consider are Holiday Valley Jan 7, 8, and Windham Jan 22, 23. Please feel free to contact me if you need help with arrangements or have questions about content. Some of our Region staff should be teaching at one or both of these programs. Most of these count as Senior electives.

Good news – this year's Certified test is at Gore Mountain the last weekend of March 2011. I confirmed this weekend that we have no limitations on the number of visitors we can handle. It's really a fun time with 3 days of free passes, lots of sharing with Patrollers from all around the division, and parties. Your only commitment is acting in an IP role on Saturday morning during the OEC portion of the exam. Ask anyone who's come up - it's a great time and a learning experience. Call or email me if you want to learn more about the trip or confirm your intention to go (607-587-8229) ilmenichino@gmail.com.

Finally, potential Certified Candidates need to be seriously working toward both completing all required application details including needed letters of recommendation and preparation for the Certified Pretest including the required request form. Pretests are scheduled in January at Hunter, Cannon and Sunday River. Check the same web page listed above for details. Call or email me if you want to learn more.

Have a safe and fun season. See you on the slopes.

NEWS FROM THE PATROLS:

BRANTLING

It has been a busy season so far and we haven't even opened the hill!

There wasn't any sign of snow when the patrol started the season with our "on hill" refresher in early October. APD for OEC, John Hess and his team of instructors once again challenged the patrol with a simulated "snow drag" accident scene on the hill, complimenting basic skill stations. We will miss John's creativity after his term ends at the end of this season.

The patrol barbecue, held in conjunction with the annual Brantling open house/ski sale in November was well attended and will help replenish the funds used this season for updating our radio equipment. The late Valley Views

November work party readied the patrol room, put all sleds on the hill and packed bags. Martha Rich, Annamaria Kontor, John Hess and Susan McCall deserve a big thank you credit for the thorough cleaning and re-organization of the patrol room. A construction team led by Bob Centro, assisted by Cindy Showman and Dave Vinke raised the roof on one of our older sled houses to allow for extra storage. Pete Peterson seized the opportunity to instruct our newest patrollers in the fine art of checking and packing the sled bags. All tasks were completed in just one Sunday morning.

The patrol adds four OEC graduates to our patrol ranks this season. Congratulations to Luke Cino, Joanne Ferrari, Keith Hendricks and Matt Stappenbeck. Luke and Matt completed the Brantling S and T last season.

Joanne and Keith are scheduled for their S and T training/certification this season.

Brantling tentatively opens for our first of season "snow drag" on December 11th. It appears that mother nature is cooperating.

Brian Mayou. PD

BRISTOL

With all the new snow, Bristol was able to open in time for our blackout drill, which was on Sunday, Dec. 5. We are happy to have 15 new patrollers. They did very well with the OEC final and in the additional training that we do in Bristol-specific protocols. We will be doing our raffle again this year. There are lots of great prizes, in addition to the Bristol and water park season passes.

CONGRATULATIONS to Colin Ronald!

Colin Ronald was awarded one of the scholarships from the Eastern Division Memorial Scholarship Fund this year. He will be attending Colorado College in Colorado Springs and is planning on majoring in neuroscience.

Past recipients have been Erika Lawson and Will Hitchcock of Hunt Hollow.

The Eastern Division Memorial Scholarship Fund was formed as a means of honoring & remembering Patrollers & Friends of Skiing. Their names are engraved on plaques, which are displayed at Division events throughout the year.

The interest generated by the fund is used to provide scholarship assistance to patrollers who are furthering their education. The Memorial Fund has grown over the years to over \$47,000 and has awarded 75 scholarship grants totaling over \$25,000.00. For more information, check out the division webpage, <http://www.nspeast.org>.

Bill Gottermeier, PD

HUNT HOLLOW

The Hunt Hollow Ski Patrol refresher was held on October 2nd – a surprisingly cold day for early October. At the event, the patrol welcomed Hunt Hollow's new

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General Manager, John Neal. John is a patroller and comes to upstate NY from Vermont.

We also welcome our 3 new Candidates who all passed their OEC – Kevin Paine, Kevin Shi, and Callen Feeney. Their S&T Training is right around the corner as the snow begins to fly.

Lastly, we have another fun event to be scheduled this season - a Night Chairlift Evac. on snow.

Peter Parker, PD

NORDIC

How can you redefine your love for winter sports? Become a dual patroller and join us kick-and-gliders on the Nordic Ski Patrol. Geri Cherubim "Genesee Valley Nordic Patrol Representative" announced her invitation at the recent OEC Refreshers this Fall to welcome you – the alpine patrollers - to our award-winning group.

Our newest challenge was to upgrade our rope and hardware to meet NY State Standards for low angle rescue. Skip Millor headed up the team to investigate these standards and with the efforts from the Nordic Squad to raise the funds to procure the equipment thru our fundraising efforts, donations, and our annual dues. We are now using the backboards along with our flexible toboggan (SKED) to protect our IP's to the maximum.

This coming March 20-21, we are hosting the Northeastern Regional Nordic Fest at Hunt Hollow and Harriet Hollister Spencer Park with Camp Cutler as our base camp. Come and join us on a fun weekend of x-country and Telemark skiing in the hills of western New York.

Check out our new Website, which is now in the link section of the Genesee Valley Ski Patrol site. Thanks to the hard work of Tom Adler and Kent Hughes to create the new look. Our site is <http://www.gvnsp.org>.

Mike Young, Patrol Secretary

NORTHAMPTON

No report.

POWDER MILLS

Powder Mills is currently scheduled to open for the season on Wednesday, Dec 18th. Our annual on-hill refresher was held on Saturday November 6th at the North Lodge In Powder Mills Park. We welcomed a number of visiting patrollers and all had a successful on-hill and CPR refresher.

Special thanks to all of our instructors and our treasurer, Kate Belaskas. We are most pleased to have Bob Lechner return to manage the operations at Powder Mills for the coming year. Tentative setup of the hill and patrol room is scheduled for December 4th, with some follow up on December 11th.

Valley Views

Have a great season & Happy Holidays to all of you.

Robert Maloney, PD

SWAIN

No report.

IN MEMORIAM

Edward E. Szelwach



Ed Szelwach, 83, a member of the Swain (NY) Ski Patrol from 1969 to 2002 died on May 3, 2010 in Irondequoit, NY. His funeral Mass was held at St. Andrew's Church in Rochester where he was a Eucharistic Minister, served in the Holy name Society, and was a member of the Knights of Columbus. A World War II veteran, he was interred with military honors in Utica, NY, with the Walter Skiba Post of the Polish Legion of American Veterans presiding as honor guard.

Ed was born and raised in Utica, NY where he was a member of the Kopernik Association, a graduate of Syracuse University, and a lifelong follower of the Orange sports teams. He loved the outdoors all of his life and was active in hunting, hiking, mountain climbing, camping, and skiing. To complete his membership as an Adirondack Mountain Club 46er, he summited all 46

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of the peaks above 4000 feet in the Adirondack Mountains. Ed and his brother Stanley, a Ski Patrolter at Song Mountain near Syracuse, NY completed their 46th ascent together to the summit of 4360 foot Mount Marshall on July 19, 1975 to earn their places as climbers number 1190 and 1191 in this elite group.

In addition to his many years of patrolling, Ed served as Patrol Treasurer at Swain for two terms, setting a quiet and steady example of leadership on the patrol executive committee. In his later years on the Patrol, Ed served as Patrol Historian, organizing and cataloging the activities of the Swain Patrol. Ed was famous among his many skiing friends for his prized hobby as a master baker who loved the artistry of weaving pie crusts. We all gained a few pounds as a result of our enjoyment of the many cherry, blueberry, strawberry-rhubarb, and apricot pies that he brought to patrol functions.

Ed is survived by his brother Stanley, sister-in-law Eleanor, and several nieces and nephews.

Many patrollers counted Ed as a friend and colleague throughout his years on the slopes, and he will be missed by all who knew him.

Harry Stoneham
Nicholas Schiavetti
Swain Ski Patrol

David S. Larrabee



Born September 30, 1950; died suddenly December 1, 2010. Dave was a member of the Hunt Hollow Patrol from 1984 to 2007.

After receiving a master's degree from SUNY Brockport, he worked with the Monroe County Sheriff's Department & Rochester Police Department, retiring in 2005 as a research analyst. He was currently CFO of Rochester Clinical Research, Inc.

Born in Utica, Dave spent many childhood days in the Adirondacks, where he & Pat fulfilled a lifelong dream of building a home on White Lake. It was there he was happiest, leading hikes, climbing mountains ("just a little further!" he would always say), grilling, canoeing, boating, skiing & hosting family & friends. He was an avid outdoorsman & member of the Ski Patrol at Hunt Hollow, a gourmet group, & numerous other activities where he shared his zest for life & exceedingly generous

spirit. Dave loved to sing & his beautiful tenor voice was welcomed in many choirs & always at family events.

Dave is survived by the love of his life & wife of 35 years, Patricia; children Caitlin, Adam & Brendan; brothers- & sisters-in-law Terry Dundon (Barbara Schreck), Kathleen Sullivan, Brian Dundon, Maureen Purcell (Douglas), Mimi Dundon, Peg Sullivan (Tom); sisters Heide Chapman & Kim Evans; many loving nieces & nephews; & a multitude of friends. (*Excerpts from the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.*)

CALENDAR

For the current calendar of events, see the Region web site at <http://www.nspgvr.org/html/calendar.htm>