



## Happy holidays from your Alumni E-News

Celebrate the holidays with your family, friends and some of the 4,500 NSP Alumni registered throughout the US and other countries! This issue offers an update on items of interest and upcoming events. Let us know what you think by dropping a line to National alumni advisor Tim Viall, [tviall@msn.com](mailto:tviall@msn.com)!

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## Online membership renewals

Don't forget you can renew your alumni dues online! Log into the NSP website, with your member number and password. Select "Hi, (your name)" at the upper right of the home page to access your My Profile page. On the left side of your Profile, click on the "Renew Now" button, which will take you to the shopping cart to complete your transaction.

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## Join us in Whitefish, MT in February for Alumni Celebration Week

**NSP Alumni Celebration Week** approaches, at Whitefish Mountain, Whitefish, Montana, February 2-9, 2020. Our first Alumni Celebration Week, last February, drew over 35 alumni and friends for fun, good food and great skiing. Participants (see group photo at left) received discounts on rooms at the

Grouse Mountain Lodge and skiing discounts for veteran skiers age 62 and older. Mark your calendars for February 2-9, 2020, and [click here](#) to download a flyer with additional details!

We are hoping to birth another **Alumni Celebration event**, in the Midwest or along the

East Coast. If you have an idea of a resort and an affiliated NSP Patrol that could host such an event, please let your Division Alumni Advisor and me (Tim Viall, [tviall@msn.com](mailto:tviall@msn.com)) know!

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## **Discounts and great deals for NSP Alumni -- you receive virtually same discounts as active patrollers**

Have you scanned the **NSP on-line catalog** and **NSP Pro Deals** recently? You'll find wonderful options among scores of quality suppliers. Alumni get the same Pro Deals as active patrollers, with only three exceptions: Black Diamond and Scarpa are excluded, and the Patagonia discount is 20%.

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## **Meet your division alumni advisors**



### **Meet R. Bruce Amrine, Northern Division**

Bruce joined the Snowbowl Ski Patrol, Montana, in 1984. A 35 year old member, he has managed to serve as the patrol OEC Advisor, SS&T Advisor and Patrol Leader. At the Northern Division level he held the OET Advisor position for 10 years and now holds the Alumni Advisor Position. He completed the Senior Program and became an instructor and IT in OEC and OET; also a certified

Senior Evaluator. Bruce notes, "a fun ride so far!"

To reach your own Division alumni advisor, visit the Alumni page under Programs, after you sign into [nsp.org](http://nsp.org).

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## **Promoting the NSP Alumni Program**

If you know of a patroller, who is considering either retiring from active patrolling or in need of a temporary break, please suggest they speak with either their Patrol Representative/Patrol Director or local Patrol Alumni Representative about the opportunities and benefits of the Alumni Program. For a link to the Become a Member form, click the button below or go to the Alumni page under Programs at [nsp.org](http://nsp.org). Also, feel free to forward this copy of Alumni E-News to others who may benefit from it.

[\*\*Download the "Become An Alumni Member" form\*\*](#)

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## **Staying current with OEC; and, staying current with your local patrol**

Around the USA, snow is falling and local NSP patrols and mountain host units are back in action. If you're an alumni who wants to help out, reach out to your former patrol and offer to assist with refreshers, with new patroller training and the like! Don't assume, as an alumni, that your old patrol has you on their contact list – too often, interested, helpful alumni fall through the cracks (be the "squeaky wheel").

Enjoy the upcoming ski season; and, make the most of your NSP Alumni membership. Happy holidays from all of us, and your National alumni advisor Tim Viall,

[tviall@msn.com!](mailto:tviall@msn.com)

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## In Memoriam

We are saddened by the recent deaths of two of our division alumni advisors. We extend our deepest sympathies to their friends and families.

**Gerry Clark**, Eastern Division

**Rick Roberts**, Southern Division

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