











Welcome to the October issue of Alumni E-News

Autumn is in the air and snow has already begun to blanket the northern Rockies. For the NSP, it's that time of year when patrollers gather for their annual OEC and on-the-hill refreshers, and to renew acquaintances with their fellow patrollers.

As one of more than 4,500 Alumni members, you too may choose to maintain your OEC certification by registering for any refresher within your division or assist with an OEC refresher. Contact either the Patrol Representative/Patrol Director of your former patrol or your division's OEC Supervisor if you have questions. To register, log on to the NSP website and select **Course Schedule**.

Online membership renewals and profile updates

Just as with active patrollers, it is also time for Alumni members to renew their NSP memberships and to update their member profiles. Please check your inbox for an email that was sent on October 2, regarding your membership renewal. If you did not receive it, please refer to the instructions below. Doing so online is very easy. So, please take a moment and **Renew Now**.

- 1. Sign into your account on NSP.org
 - If you are a current member and having trouble signing in, please contact Member Services at memberservices@nsp.org.
- 2. Select "Hi, (Your Name)" at the upper right of the home page to access your Profile page
- 3. Click on the large blue "Renew Now" button in the left sidebar and follow the instructions.
 - If the "Renew Now" button is gray, your account may be Inactive or Suspended. If so, please send an email to alumni@nsp.org for assistance.
- 4. Update your Profile, especially your current contact information.

- On the "About Me" tab, select each section's down arrow on the right side and click the pencil icon to edit each section.
- 5. After updating your information, be sure to select "Save & Close" at the lower right for EACH section you edit
- 6. After renewing online, you will receive one e-mail confirming your payment and a second e-mail with your new alumni card, which you may print out.

Now, that was easy, wasn't it?



Alumni benefits

Have you checked-out the **NSP Pro Deals** recently? You will find wonderful options among scores of quality suppliers. Alumni get the same Pro Deals as active patrollers, with only three exceptions: the Patagonia discount is 20% and Black Diamond and Scarpa are excluded. To find your NSP Pro Deals, sign into your account at **NSP.org**, click on Member Services, then click on the NSP Pro Deals image. Also, check the NSP Online Store for a host of other merchandise at great prices!

Alumni events

This fall kicks of the 70th anniversary of the Warren Miller Film Tour, featuring **Warren Miller's Timeless**. NSP will be present at many of the shows around the country. So, **check out locations** near you and rally NSP Alumni and active patrollers for a fun event to kick of the ski season.

In addition to attending refreshers, consider helping with patrol fundraisers such as Swap Shops and patrol social events.

Many ski areas host NSP Alumni Appreciation Days during the ski season. Consider working with your former patrol leadership in doing likewise.

For a national event, the second annual **NSP Alumni Celebration Week** will return to Whitefish Mountain in Whitefish, MT. So, mark your calendars for February 2-9, 2020, and **click here** for additional details, or visit the Alumni page in the Member Resources section after you sign into nsp.org.

Possible regional events: If you know of a resort and NSP patrol that might host an Alumni Celebration event in your area of the country, please contact your Division Alumni Advisor or the National Alumni Advisor, Tim Viall, tviall@msn.com.

Meet your division alumni advisors

Meet Rick Roberts, Division Alumni Advisor for the Southern Division, rick-roberts@comcast.net



Rick is a 49-year member of the National Ski Patrol (#6318), serving on the Cataloochee Ski Patrol in NC. He served his local patrol as Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Ski & Toboggan (S&T) Instructor and Fundraising Coordinator. In the Southern Division, he served as Region Director, Assistant Division Director, Senior S&T Examiner, Newsletter Editor and presently serves as the Election Coordinator and Alumni Advisor. Additionally, he was the meeting planner for the NSP's Annual Meeting (1986) and served several years as a member of the NSP's S&T Proficiency Committee. He considers the relationships he has enjoyed with

his fellow patrollers on the Cataloochee Ski Patrol to be the greatest benefit of his ski patrol career.

To reach your own Division alumni advisor, visit the Alumni page in the Member Resources section after you sign into nsp.org.

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 in Member Resources at nsp.org. Also, feel free to forward this copy of Alumni E-News to others who may benefit from it.

Get ready for the upcoming ski season, and, if you have ideas for future issues of the Alumni E-News, contact the National Alumni Advisor, Tim Viall, **tviall@msn.com**.

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