

Connecticut Region Alumni News Update

1 January 2012

Dear Alumni Member -

Welcome to another ski season...such as it is. This memo is meant to bring you up to date with the news regarding the NSP and Connecticut Region Alumni Association Program, and the 2012 Connecticut Region Alumni Day Reunion.

News

As of this writing, the Connecticut Region has sixty registered Alumni Members, up from fifty three last season.

NSP has indicated that an Alumni Member's continuous years of service are added to the years of service accumulated as an Active Patroller, as long as there is no break in service. This is done by a record of dues paid each year to NSP. Last season five Alumni Members received service award certificates and pins.

Alumni Member Service Award recipients for 2010/2011 were:

Stuart Conto – twenty years

Andrew Rubman – twenty years

Louis Cherichetti – forty five years

Patricia Perry – forty five years

Conrad Manville – sixty five years

Last season we tried holding the annual alumni Day get together on a Sunday morning rather than a weekday morning, thinking that it might be easier for Members to attend. Apparently the day does not make a difference. Four Members indicated that they wished to attend and all four showed up. They were Dave Coakley, Hans Fuersattel, Charlie Warren, and myself. RD Rick Knight also

surprised us with a visit. Although the weather was dismal (rain all morning) and we chose not to ski, we had a great time reminiscing, and testing our NSP and general skiing trivia knowledge. Thank you to all who participated. See the end of this memo regarding this year's proposed Alumni Day Reunion.

With the help of Josie Elting, our National Alumni Coordinator, I convinced NSP to reformat our registration cards. Your 2011/12 Alumni registration cards now should include all past credentials and accomplishments (Mountaineering, Avalanche, etc.). They remain valid and should be displayed on your card as they were when you were active Patrollers.

My proposal for an official NSP Alumni Manual is in the works as of this writing and is currently somewhere in the review process at National. The primary reason for this manual is to give Alumni and potential Alumni Members a single official (printable) source on line to obtain information regarding the Alumni Program. More on this as word becomes available.

General information

Please remember that by mutual agreement between you and your former Patrol Leader/Director, you can remain affiliated with your former Patrol by being put on their Secondary Registration Roster. In this way, you can remain more officially involved at a Patrol level, receive Patrol mailings, attend Patrol functions, and participate in Patrol activities. All Patrol level duties, obligations, benefits, etc. are strictly between you and your Patrol Leader/Director. If you are interested in this and have questions on how to go about this, please call me or shoot me an email.

Please direct any potential Alumni Members to me or the Alumni section of the Connecticut Region website. This will hopefully make information more easily available to those who are thinking about transitioning.

If anyone has questions, concerns, comments, ideas, or has an interest in working with me on any part of the Connecticut Region Alumni program, please contact me. We can get together over coffee and chat.

Connecticut Region Alumni Day

Wednesday 7 March 2012

Ski sundown, New Hartford Connecticut

Cost: still \$5.00 (cash money) per person for all activities (coffee, doughnuts, lunch, skiing and stuff).

When you arrive, stop by the Patrol Room – with a bit of luck, you will hopefully be directed to the proper meeting location.

9:00 to 10:00 a.m. – Registration/coffee and doughnuts/Ski Patrol trivia session (brush up).

11:00 to 12:45ish Skiing, a group run of "Grace, Fluidity, and Enchantment", followed by more skiing.

1:00 - ? Lunch, reminiscences, general rambings, stuff, and/or more skiing.

All who wish to take pictures are welcome to bring their cameras. Maybe we can post the photos on the Region website.

RSVP - Don Cirkot

Telephone: (203) 888-1787 If no answer, leave message – name(s) of persons attending.

Email: donaldcirkot@sbcglobal.net - name(s) and number of persons attending.

You only need to reply if you plan to attend. The ski area staff needs a head count so that they may provide sufficient lift tickets and lunches. Reply deadline: Sunday 19 February 2012.

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