

## North Central Region – Senior Program for 2014/2015 Season

**PLEASE share** this information with all patrollers on your hill(s). The National Ski Patrol Senior program for the North Central Region is preparing for the 2014/2015 season. There are a few items about the program we would like to share with folks considering the Senior Program for 2014/2015. In addition, anyone that can help with the OEC Senior Module clinic or evaluation please contact Mike Olson (see below). Anyone that can with the Ski and Toboggan clinic or evaluation please contact Chuck Jonas (see below)

- I. The sign-ups, clinics and evaluations dates, places and lead with contact information
- II. Last Season (2013/2014) North Central Region Senior evaluation results
- III. A few details about the Senior Program

**Senior Applications:** These are due in by **Monday-December 1, 2014**. Applications can be found online at NSP.com then, programs then, Senior, senior candidate application. All applications will need your Patrol Rep. approval. If you have trouble getting the application email me and I'll send you one electronically. If you're a "new" senior candidate the fee is \$15. If you are a returning Senior candidate the fee is \$10. Please send check made to "North Central Region NSP" along with senior application. They should be mailed in to:

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Please indicate clearly what portion(s) of the Senior Program you are enlisting to obtain this year: Ski, Toboggan, OEC etc. Also list which parts you have completed if you are a returning to the program. If you have questions please email me or call me.p

I.

**Senior OEC Clinic:** Attendance required for Senior OEC candidates **Saturday-December 13, 2014@ Mt. Ripley**. Candidates will be notified of starting time and agenda by Mike.

Mike Olson, NSP NCR Senior OEC Administrator  
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**Senior Ski and Toboggan Clinic:** Attendance required for Senior Ski and/or Toboggan Candidates **Saturday- January 10, 2015@Ski Brule**. Candidates will be notified of starting time and agenda by Chuck

Chuck Jonas, NSP NCR Ski and Toboggan Administrator  
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**Senior Ski and Toboggan Evaluation:** Attendance required for Senior Ski and/or Toboggan Candidates **Saturday-February 21, 2015@Marquette**. Candidates will be notified of starting time and agenda by Chuck.

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**Senior OEC Module Evaluation:** Attendance required for Senior OEC Module candidates **Saturday-March 14, 2015@ Ski Brule**. Candidates will be notified of starting time and agenda by Mike.

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II.

Last season (2013/2014) we had a number of great candidates sign-up. For various reasons not all senior candidates participated in evaluations. However, those that did the results were as follows:

- A. Senior Ski Evaluation: Four Candidates were evaluated and all 4 successful = 100%
- B. Senior Toboggan Evaluation: Five Candidates were evaluated and 4 successful = 80%
- C. Senior OEC Evaluation: Six Candidates were evaluated and 5 successful = 83.3%

Overall there were 15 Senior Evaluations administered with 13/15 being successful in the North Central Region. That's 86.7% Successful!

Much of the reason for such a successful "senior" season is the fact that we have great patrollers within the region all working together. It's really that simple. We are hopeful for another successful season as we all work to improve our skills to provide a safe and fun filled season for the guests that visits our hills.

### III. About the Senior Program

This is a program developed by the National Ski Patrol organization to help enhance our basic skills. It also aids in the development of the future leaders of the organization. The senior program is a commitment and it's not easy. The standards are often tough to understand and meet. However, due to the many fine in the North Central Region we are getting it right.

**Did you know?** You can become a “Senior” NSP member by successfully completing just the Senior OEC. Yes, you can! The difference is you will not be an NSP “Alpine Senior” is called a “Senior OEC”.

To become a Senior all candidates must complete three electives. The OEC Senior only has to successfully complete the OEC portion of the Senior program. The Alpine Senior must complete the OEC, Ski and Toboggan portions. The nice thing about the program is that you do not have to do it all in the same year. If you have questions/concerns about the NCR Senior Program please feel free to Contact us.