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Confessions of a Clinicoholic

By Jim Avichouser

What follows is the chronicle of an admitted "Clinicoholic." Skiing can, in many cases, be highly addictive. Skiing is by its very nature a solitary activity that can draw one inward and preclude outside stimuli unless it is practiced in the context of group interaction. Clinics are just such group interactions and thus lend themselves to a healthier form of addiction to skiing and ski teaching.

In the 2004-05 season Intermountain Division offered a season pass for clinics. Most everyone knows that. For a single fee members can attend unlimited clinics in multiple disciplines. The only exclusion has been for assessments, accreditation programs and Spring Clinic. Some have said that this is unwise for the division financially; pass holders may take up space that might otherwise be sold to members paying full price on a per clinic basis. I've not really seen evidence of this but it may be true, or not. What I do know is that this program has made something possible that would otherwise have been nearly impossible. I have a tale to



Brian Oakden

Powder Mountain played host to the 2005 PSIA/AASI Intermountain Spring Clinic April 1-3 bringing smiles to a great ending to a great season. More photos on page 11.

tell because I was one of the fortunate members who have benefited from the clinic season pass. Let me tell you a short story...

In 1989, after 20 years of skiing, I began to learn how to ski. I joined the Pebble Creek Ski School and learned how to teach my favorite sport. After a fashion that is. I worked nearly full time that season and then went back into the Army for two years. In 93-94 I came back to the ski school and joined PSIA. I got Level I certification pretty easily because I had been on skis for so long.

The next phase came harder. I went to Snowbird in the spring of '96 and "did not meet standards" in my personal skiing assessment. OK, so it was time to go back to work and prep some more. Well, a lot more, actually. I took a lot of clinics.

We had in house clinics at Pebble. When I was able to swap out or get the time off (while working part-time ski teaching and full time school teaching) I took all the clinics I could afford.

By the spring of 2000 I was ready to try again but had to miss the assessment so I came back to Snowbird in spring of '01 and failed to meet standards again. I was devastated. I knew that one week after that I would go into surgery for removal of a tumor from my brain so I thought the last chance had gone by. Another nine months went by and another surgery came and then there was a long period of therapy to recover balance and health.

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President's Message

By Carl Boyer, PSIA-I/AASI-I President

It was great to see so many of you at Spring Clinic this year. All three days were blessed with good skiing and weather, a perfect opportunity to reestablish long-standing friendships. I sure had fun participating in the Retro Day. For those that missed, there was some very scary gear modeled on the hill! Our sincere thanks go to

Tammy Weese and all the Powder Mountain and Wolf Creek Resort staff for their contribution to such a terrific event. The silent auction was a resounding success, raising funds that return back to our members as awards, scholarships, and other educational support.

I also observed many of our Intermountain members attending the National Academy at Snowbird this spring. This great educational opportunity is often held in our own backyard. Snowbird may yet be open as you read this. It is still snowing as I write, with nearly fifteen feet of consolidated snow pack remaining!

The resorts in our Division have experienced a record year for business, up 13% from last year's record in Utah. This bodes well for our industry, at least locally and for the short term. As we plan for the future of our Division, we must remain prepared to weather an anomalous season such as our friends in the Northwest just experienced.

The finances of the Division are projected to be back in the black for the 2004/2005 season. We will remain vigilant to ensure the operation of the Division is efficient, and maintain the members' interests as foremost. Here is hoping you have a safe and fun-filled summer season. Be sure to share with us some of your better adventures and experiences! — Carl Boyer

National Board

By Jerry Warren

In March, I had the opportunity and challenge to serve on a national task force for Governance of our National Organization. The meeting was in Lakewood Colorado, near the national office. It was a fantastic meeting and I expect many changes will come about, some of which could assist us at the divisional level. This meeting helped me gain greater understanding and confidence in our national organization and the support they give us.

A primary focus for this meeting was to study how the national organi-

zation and the divisions work together to best serve the members. Three of the main components involved in member service are: 1. Membership, 2. Division and National Staffs, and 3. Volunteer leadership. Part of our discussions were to determine how we are structured now—i.e., national and division relationship—and move forward from there. It might seem easy at first, until you discover that every division is different, with different needs, demographics, educational and certification criteria, at least in part.

Looking at governance on the whole is a big task, so we started by defining the role of the national board.

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We will have a very detailed job description and performance criteria for this position very soon. I will recommend to our divisional board that we do the same here and the template created by national could serve as a good starting point for us.



Tony Fantis

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Although recommendations resulting from this meeting do not cover all items on the following list, the task force feels that the follow issues are of primary importance and must be addressed in the near future to ensure a governance structure that will best serve the association.

1. A process for officer succession on the national board
2. An expanded relationship with snowsports school directors. We feel that this is where the rubber really meets the road in preparation for clinics, exams and the understanding of our profession.
3. A solid criteria for national board selection and service, with accountability steps firmly in place
4. Clarity in national and division roles; enhanced relationship
5. Transparency in every aspect of the association
6. Defined structure for volunteer staff
7. Formalization of Presidents Council; role and relationship with national board

All in all, I am very encouraged with the openness of each member of the task force and with the openness and support we are receiving in this process from the national staff. In addition, we have a tremendously talented membership in this division that needs to be more fully tapped into. More members are likely to serve when we become more transparent, consistent and supportive to one another. I'm very pleased with the hard work of the leadership of this division as they continue to develop our strengths, overcome our weaknesses, and create new and exciting opportunities.

Thank you for sharing the love you have for winter sports with so many. As I have conducted a few clinics and exams this winter, as well as attending some of the training, I'm impressed with the quality of our membership. We really seem to be getting better at this all the time. You all really do pro-

vide a most valuable service to our guests and the resorts that support you. No one I would dare say, has a greater impact on the quality of the guest experience that you do. Keep up the good work and have a great summer.— **Jerry Warren is Division PSIA Board Representative, former coach and member of the PSIA National Team and Managing Director of Mountain Operations at Sundance**

Credit for Air Time

By Tony Fantis

Move over Christmas in July, we've got ski and snowboard jumping this summer! PSIA/AASI – I has teamed up with Fly Freestyle at the Utah Winter Sports Park to offer jumping and flying coaching for members of PSIA/AASI-Intermountain.

The minimum experience required for attendance is intermediate skiing or riding ability. The trampoline, beginner jump (bigger jumps for experienced and qualified participants), coaching, and all gear are included.

Six hours of educational credit hours will be given to members attending the Fly Camps on either July 30 or August 17 from 1:00 – 4:30 p.m. The cost is \$65 and group sizes are limited on a first come, first-served basis. The cutoff for registration is two weeks prior to the event date. Credit for events not conducted by the Division is limited to 6 hours of credit every two years.

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Administrative Report

By Stew Marsh, PSIA-I/AASI-I Administrative V.P.

A reminder is due to all members of PSIA/AASI-I. Although the next election is nearly eight months away it is my responsibility as your Administrative VP to instill in the membership the importance of completing the ballots for election to the board correctly.

The policy with the counting of ballots has not changed since the inception of this association. We have followed the procedure set forth by the founders and remain following that procedure. When each member receives a ballot it contains a return envelope and a voting ballot. As a member you are responsible to vote either for a member in your respective region and/or for a member at large. The envelope containing the ballot must have your snowsports school affiliation, or statement of non-affiliation. This envelope then is placed in the return envelope and you must place your return address on the envelope and provide your signature. If these steps are not followed the ballots are deemed invalid and will not be counted. Over the years many ballots have been deemed invalid and may have affected the vote for various positions on the Board.

Please take the time to process your ballot correctly so that it can be counted as an official ballot.

Late Fees

In an attempt to allow the office and the division to collect dues in a timely manner the Board made a decision to increase late fees from \$10 to \$20. There was a great amount of discussion that led to this decision and it was felt that the board did not want this to be perceived as a punishment to the membership but to get those members who put off paying the incentive to pay on time. Everyone must realize that when dues are paid after the due date that the division must pay a late fee to the national association as well.

— Thank you, Stew

the successful candidates. To my joy and relief, I was awarded Level II certification in Canada.

The spell seemed broken. A couple of months later my new wife Nancy and I returned to Pocatello to be close to my children and finish renovations on our house. Though my Canadian certification is theoretically transferable for employment, I knew within myself that I needed to take the assessment in Intermountain Division and pass it. That has become one of my most important personal goals.

This brings us back to the purpose and point of my narrative.

I couldn't go back to work at my home mountain but I knew that I could still attend clinics to progress toward my goal. When the *Edge* came out with the clinic schedule I began to figure which clinics would fit with continued work on the house. Then I saw the offering of a clinic season pass. Here was a chance to pursue a quantum leap in my skiing. If I just delayed the projects we had planned for renovation, I could go to as many clinics as were offered. Nancy endorsed the plan and I started the odyssey. I should say we started. My wife traveled with me to all of the clinics and offered much needed moral support.

From Ed College on, I went to every Alpine clinic that was offered. There were times when that meant driving from Jackson to Park City or from Alta to Jackson for clinics the next day. We stayed in a lot of hotels and put about 10,000 miles on our truck. Each clinic seemed to offer incentive for the next. Each small change in my skiing made me hungry for more. I met people and made friends. All the while there was no impending assessment to threaten my bliss. All I knew was joy of skiing, learning and the exhilaration of change. I never asked for progress reports from the clinicians I had the pleasure of skiing with. That came with time and change. Clinicians began to

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Fortune began to smile upon me. I met the woman of my dreams, moved to Canada to live with her and continue my recuperation and something else I hadn't thought possible happened. A ski school outside of Vancouver, BC took me on as a ski instructor based upon my PSIA certification. They couldn't pay me, Canada grants precious few work visas to Americans, but I worked 3 days a week nonetheless as a volunteer. I joined CSIA (Canadian Ski Instructors Alliance) as an affiliate member.

Near the end of my second season teaching in Canada I had the money

and time to take the CSIA Level II course for certification. The system is very like ours but also totally different. I went to a resort in the interior and spent five days on snow for six hours a day and then two hours in class each evening. The entire time was spent with the same two examiner/clinicians who gave demonstration and task along with extensive instruction in skiing and teaching. They gave periodic written feedback through the week. On the final day, candidates were given final opportunities to demonstrate selected tasks. Then that evening in something of a ceremony, results were announced and pins were awarded to

Planning Ahead

By Guillermo Avila Paz

I hope you all had a great, fun, productive and healthy ski season. Now that winter has finally gone we are preparing for a great summer and just thinking what to do next for fun.

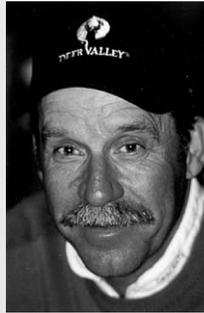
This past ski season some changes were made in the Alpine assessment process. We received great supportive feedback from our PSIA-I members, ski area managers and from our DECL body for how things are smoother throughout the assessments. By separating the skiing and adding one day of teaching assessments in the Level II assessments helps us to clarify and allocate the time needed to give a better assessment of skiing and teaching abilities from the candidate. By removing the movement analysis from the skiing and adding self-assessment drills in Level III keeps it moving on track for assessing the skiing and teaching abilities of the candidates.

Another thing that is very helpful was the participation of 39 candidates who did the Trainers Accreditation enabling us to distribute more accurate information to our members and prepare them to focus on the target needed for their assessments.

From now until the end of fall is a great time to review our past skiing and teaching season; to identify what are the strengths and what are the weaknesses. This sets a plan of action to improve our realistic goals for the upcoming season. Below are some ideas to address:

Skiing

- ◆ Learn and understand descriptions for all maneuvers and self-assessment drills.
- ◆ Get a better understanding of the basic elements that are and should be present throughout all skiing



Certification Corner

By Kent Lundell, PSIA/AASI-I Certification Chairperson

I hope all of you had a great season with all the snow we had this year. I know it was one of the best ever for the resorts we work at. As I am writing this article we are in the middle of shooting video images for future DVD projects. This past year we developed a divisional DVD that

contains images of the Alpine demonstrations we do for our students and some divisional self-assessment drills that will help people become more versatile skiers. During the coming months without snow, watching skiing images can be helpful. By processing the images in our mind during the summer we will perform better in the winter. The visual images can work wonders for our skiing.

The Alpine DVD arrived in January of this year. The DVD contains a website link to written descriptions of the Alpine demos and self-assessment drills. The office now has a stock of DVDs and you can get a copy sent to you for \$20. The proceeds go to PSIA-I educational foundation for the funding of more projects.

I am completing my term as Certification Chairperson. I would like to thank all the members for their support over the past years. If you are looking for a rewarding experience and an opportunity to serve, please inquire with the Division office about available positions, their job descriptions, and apply for those in which you would be interested.

- ◆ Develop progressions from a first time skier through an advanced skier with the use of Fundamental Skills in each level and skill.
 - ◆ Write on flash cards the definitions for skiing vocabulary words using the dictionary and the PSIA glossary on one side and on the other side write a progression on how to teach the concept statically and moving.
 - ◆ Improve your audio, visual, and verbal communication skills utilizing other sports or activities.
- I hope that some of these ideas can help you to set a plan of action during the summer and fall training to help you succeed with your skiing and teaching assessments. Most of all, to help you improve your teaching and skiing potential.— **Guillermo Avila Paz is PSIA-I Alpine Certification Manager**

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Adaptive **Ski Spectacular**

By *Lauren Artesani*

I had the opportunity to visit the Ski Spectacular located in Breckenridge! It was put on by DSUSA (Disabled Sports USA). The Ski Spectacular is a week-long event focusing on adaptive ski and snowboard equipment. Some of the clinics offered are: Adaptive snowboard equipment setup, Mono-ski drills, Monoski tricks and skills, Biski tethering, Three-tracking and the fun does't stop there! There were five full days of clinics!

The clinics were really informative and the clinicians were experts in their field. Most of them were Level 3 instructors with disabilities. Their form

and talents were amazing to observe! The event also hosts "guests of honor." This year's guests were soldiers from Iraq who had lost limbs in the war. It was touching to see the impact that this week had on them. They were so excited to be able to ski again!

The whole experience was a huge learning opportunity! It was also a lot of fun! I would recommend this experience to anyone who can make it. For more information visit www.dsusa.org.

— **Lauren Artesani is Program Manager at the National Ability Center**

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Alpine **DECL** Manager Changes

By *Randy Hartwig*



This is the conclusion of one of the best ski seasons the West has seen in twenty years. We had fantastic snow, and a great year for clinic and exam attendance. This is also the last

year for me as Alpine DECL manager.

For the past three years I have served as the Alpine team manager for the Intermountain Division, and for three years prior to that I served as the Education Assistant under Ole Olson. It has been an incredible experience to work with such a talented group of individuals, and to be able to have personal contact with many of the members of the division. It has been a challenging, and rewarding job, with the usual issues that anyone can deal with in a large organization such as ours. The bottom line is, it was a lot of work, but it has been great.

Hopefully we have achieved the goals of better clinics, exams and more consistency as a team. Our fall training centers around skiing, grading, clinic and exam presentation, and execution of both. The three days go by pretty quickly with indoor time, ski time, video training, and review of scoring standards as well as review of clinic content.

I have been a member of the team since 1989 when it was formed, and in that time I have seen an incredible growth of a more cohesive group with a central focus of trying to provide the best education possible. This year offered some challenges with new clinic and exam formats. I think next year will be right on target. Overall I think the DECL

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Education Corner

By *Tony Fantis, PSIA/AASI-I Education Chairperson*

Thanks for a great season! We've implemented new programs in nearly every discipline and the response has been overwhelmingly positive. And it should have been. After all, we took your feedback on the 1000+ feedback forms you turn in at events. And who knows what you need better than you, the members that make up our

professional and social organization?

We're continuing to listen to your suggestions and are working on some new, exciting options for next season. The calendar will take on a streamlined look and feel. There will be more early and late season events. All clinics will have clinic descriptions and information will be at your fingertips. You wanted all the information to be easier to navigate. My mission is to facilitate that for the coming season.

Please be sure to say a big "Thank you!" to your Discipline Managers. They're all listed in The Instructor's Edge and would really appreciate the gesture. Untold hours go into behind-the-scenes work every season to provide a better education for us all.

Last but not least, don't forget about your written materials and videos over the summer. Many people find it more practical to enjoy these with an icy cold drink in the sweltering heat of summer. For some great (and free) options, take advantage of the lending library at the national website. Once you're on the home page, click on "Education" then "Lending Library."

Have a great summer. I hope to see you back next season!

Certifications and Achievements

Alpine

Alpine Level 1

Kay Adams	Sundance
John Amador	Deer Valley
Meghan Arnold	Deer Valley
Kimberly Barger	Jackson
Aleta Bassett	Jackson
Kenneth Beiler	Park City
Emily Bodner	Jackson
Sabrina Brill	Snowbird
James Brooks	Park City
Brian Carsten	NAC
Nathan Conger	Sundance
Martin Cox	Canyons
Sean Datwyler	Sundance
Abbey Daw	Alta
Julie Dean	Jackson
Neil A. Decker	Brighton
Joss Dewaele	Alta
Al Dion	Snowbasin
Lora Du Moulin	Jackson
Michael Duggin	Park City
Erick Ellis	Pebble Creek
Katie Engelman	Jackson
Tom Evensen	Deer Valley
Lauren Fitzgerald	Jackson
Michael Flaherty	Deer Valley
Dawn Floodman	Alta
Lance Ford	Sundance
Steven Fowles	Sundance
Taunya Frank	Deer Valley
Ema Franzeim	Jackson
Tim Fuller	Deer Valley
Julia Geier	Alta
Katherine Giblin	Alta
Talbot Gibson	Jackson
Bryan Glaittli	Snowbasin
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David Kriner	Pebble Creek
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Alpine Level 2

Elizabeth Becker	Jackson
Christina Cartier	Jackson
Michael Dugan	Deer Valley
Andrea Ellis	Beaver Mt.
Harold Ellis	Park City
Andy Fernuik	Park City
Amy Hay	Canyons
Radka Houzviczkova	Jackson
Catherine Jack	Canyons
Deborah Kay	Jackson
Birk Larsen	Deer Valley
Elisabeth Lentz	Deer Valley
Philip Linford	Deer Valley
Madeleine Maguire	Jackson
Brent McCormick	Alta
Brian McGeogh	Jackson
Reilly McGlashan	Snowbird
Stephen Meador	Snowbasin
James Morris III	Jackson
Ellie Pryor	Jackson
Hilary Roache	Snowbird
Orlando Rodriquez	Canyons
Ryan Roundy	Snowbasin
Josh Szvoren	Park City
Brenden Terry	Canyons
Kimberly Whitman	Jackson

Alpine Level 3

Michael Blatt	Deer Valley
Judith Fleming	Canyons
Paul Franzeim	Jackson
Kurt Harland	Jackson
Cameron Kerr	Snowbird
Stuart Kerr	Park City
Matthias Moos	Snowbasin
Russell Phillips	Snowbird
John Pinter	Park City
Karen Salden	Jackson
Forrest Sandberg	Jackson
Roger Seaborn	Canyons
Katherine Stoddart	Canyons
Bryce Thornley	Powder Mt.

Snowboard

Snowboard Level I

Brian Augustus	Brianhead
Alexandra Baragry	Park City
Andrew Conn	Canyons
John Cramer	Canyons
Jon Crawford	Canyons
Marco Curtessi	Brighton
Joshua Curtis	Park City
Cole Daeschel	Sundance
Brett Davis	Brighton
Dylan Favatella	Park City
William Franks	Canyons

Kimber Gabryszak	Park City
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Michael Ketcham	Park City
Mike Krugman	Brianhead
David Larsen	Sundance
William Lindsay	Brianhead
Renzo Lopez	Park City
Paul McCarty	Park City
Donovan McCleary	Pebble Creek
James Mickelsen	Brianhead
Marama Miller	Park City
Megan Miller	Park City
Andrew Mitchell	Park City
Eric Moleff	Brianhead
Wayne Moore	Canyons
Susana Morales	Snowbird
Kabian Newson	Park City
Lindsey Peery	Brighton
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Jon Van Wagoner	Park City
Jeremy Varley	Pebble Creek
Melinda Weaver	Powder Mt
Stanley Wilkinson	Jackson

Snowboard Level II

David Helgeson	Canyons
Paul Alden	Targhee
Jamie Hill	Brianhead
Melissa Johns	Targhee
Seth Johns	Targhee
Elliott Johnston	Park City
Jess King	Brighton
Damion Lee	Park City
Saghi Leoni	Jackson
Justin McLennan	Canyons
Dale McMahan	Jackson
Kristopher Moors	Canyons
Sara Radoff	Jackson
Josh Reinhart	Park City

Snowboard Level III

Jaclyn Baulch	Park City
Lynn Smith	Snowbird
Jenna Strom	Canyons

Nordic

Nordic Track 1

Kris Best	White Pine
William Deleo	Solitude
Sarah Dennett	Solitude
Lee Shea	White Pine

Nordic Track 2

Sarah Dennett	Solitude
Mark Hanson	Targhee

Nordic Track 3

Christopher Ulm	Alta
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Nordic Downhill Level 1

Mark J. Fisher	Jackson
Andrew Gault	Jackson
William Greene	Snowbird
Sandra Guzman	Snowbird
Kody Hoover	Beaver Mt.
Thomas Rogers	Jackson
Martin Sanders	Jackson
Gregory Short	Snowbird
Jeanny Wang	Alta

Nordic Downhill Level 2

Morgan Decker	Beaver Mt.
Heather Fielding	Canyons
Andrew Gault	Jackson
William Greene	Snowbird
Jamie McEvoy	Beaver Mt.
Nathan Page	Jackson
Melissa Pangraze	Targhee
Rebecca Parkinson	Targhee
Gregory Short	Snowbird

Nordic Downhill Level 3

Edward Chauner	Snowbird
Adam Dimond	Snowbird
Catherine McEnroe	Alta

Adaptive

Adaptive Level I

Jennifer Brelsford	NAC
Brian Carsten	NAC
Shawn Jimerson	NAC
David Kriner	Pebble Creek
Rebecca Parkinson	Targhee
Kayako Shirane	NAC
Bridget Tanner	NAC

Adaptive Level II

Lauren Artesani	NAC
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Adaptive Level III

Jeff Burley	Park City
Thomas Holmes	NAC

ACE

ACE Level 1

Barbara Alexander	Park City
Wyn Allen	Deer Valley
Kari Archibald	Targhee
Justin Boevers	Alta
Skylar Bourne	Canyons
Steve Brown	Deer Valley
Zachary Brown	Jackson
James Brownell	Alta
Rayna Burt	Park City
Amanda Cimini	Brighton
Blake Clark	Canyons
Mary Contreras	Brianhead
Vera Cranford-Vogt	Jackson
Lynda Crutcher	Deer Valley
Al Dion	Snowbasin
Krista Dooley	Jackson
Daniel Eaton	Deer Valley
Ronald Eaves	Deer Valley
Angie Egbert	Canyons
Michael Elwood	Deer Valley
Rindy Engleman	Alta
Mark Fancy	Park City
Jacquelin Fehr	NAC
William Fielding	Canyons
Kurt Flickinger	Snowbird
Dawn Floodman	Alta
Tom Gwinn	Deer Valley
Gaen Gysel	Jackson
Ryan Haight	Jackson
Julia Howlett	Alta
Phillip Hughes	Deer Valley
Marti Jefferson	Canyons
Lisa Jensen	Canyons
Peter Karkosa	Park City
Lisa Marie Keay	Kelly Canyon
Marilee Kerby	Snowbasin
Kira Kitchens	Snowbird
Heidi Knudson	Snowbasin
Courtney Larsen	Targhee
Walter Lienhard	Alta
Max Lockett	Kelly Canyon
Thomas Love	Alta
Ellen Lowell	Deer Valley
Stew Marsh	Snowbasin
Donna McAleer	Deer Valley
Isla McNichol	Canyons
Raymond Miamidian	Park City
Michael Michaud	Canyons
Stephen Miller	Deer Valley
Ann Mortensen	Snowbasin
Leslie Moss	Park City
Mary Lou Mylet	Deer Valley
Robert Newey	Park City
Billy Novak	Brighton
Rebecca Parkinson	Targhee
Chris Paup	Jackson
Lynn Pease	Snowbird
Jane Petersen	Deer Valley
Danielle Petriccione	Jackson
Christianna Pilch	Park City
Dan Popescu	Deer Valley

ACE Level 1 (cont.)

John Popple	Deer Valley
Hugh Porter	Alta
Kathleen Roe	Jackson
Gwendolyn Rogers	Snowbird
Brian Sayer	Park City
Marilyn Schroeder	Snowbird
Nancy Seamons	Canyons
Stephen Shibuya	Jackson
William Smallen	Alta
Christopher Snow	Canyons
Peter Spielmann	Snowbasin
Heike Stadler	NAC
Ross Stenquist	Snowbasin
Lance Swedish	Deer Valley
Eric Uquillas	Brighton
Jan Vola	Canyons
Reinaldo Vola	Canyons
Ali Walker	Park City
Brian Waller	Snowbird
Laura Wally	Canyons
Laurie Westberg	Park City
Helen Wood	Deer Valley
Steve Woodward	Canyons
Jessica Workman	Snowbird
Bard Zajac	Canyons

ACE Level II

Jennifer Bakken	Brighton
J. Cooper Cazedessus	Alta
Christopher Dach	Jackson
Alice Drake	Deer Valley
Jacob Dunton	Jackson
Beate Ely	Deer Valley
William Fielding	Canyons
Gregory Gibb	Snowbird
Bart Hogan	Targhee
Michael Kelley	Deer Valley
Mary Widener	Jackson
Howard Wright	Snowbird

ACE Level III

Adam Dimond	Snowbird
Jeff Fraza	Deer Valley
Catherine McEnroe	Alta
Keri Oaks	Deer Valley
Scott Rockwood	Pebble Creek
Jerry Thoreson	Snowbird
Nancy Thoreson	Snowbird
Richard West	Canyons
Erin Williams	Deer Valley

Park & Pipe Accredited

Warren Hawkins	Snowbird
Andre' Heiber	Non-Affiliated
Tyler Knibbe	Snowbird
Birk Larsen	Deer Valley
Thomas Love	Alta
Anna Mandye Mastaglio	Targhee
William Smallen	Alta



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PSIA/AASI Intermountain President Carl Boyer thanks DECL Randy Hartwig during Spring Clinic ceremonies for his service as Alpine DECL manager and assistant education chair.

Accredited Trainer

Gary Allen	Deer Valley
Joseph Ambrose	NAC
Kipper Cluff	Sundance
Jamie deVries	Deer Valley
Jill Evans	Jackson
Judy Fuller	Snowbird
Donald Hill	Deer Valley
Eric 'Tuffy' Kaiser	Targhee
Cheryl Kidder	Snowbird
Nancy Kronthaler	Snowbird
John C. Leone	Non-Affiliated
Andrea Martin	Deer Valley
Ed Martin	Park City
Bill McGinty	Deer Valley
Gordon McGrath, Jr.	Deer Valley
Doug Miller	Alta
Mark Nakada	Snowbird
Anita Oliveri	Non-Affiliated
Marcel Radu	Deer Valley
Scott Rockwood	Pebble Creek
Murray Sandman	Snowbird
Donald Sears	Park City
Ron Shepard	Deer Valley
Megumi Shimazaki	Deer Valley
Graham Smith	Jackson
Wayne Sullivan	Deer Valley
Renee Targosz	Deer Valley
Robert Wall	Deer Valley
Steve Woodward	Canyons

Instructors of the Year**ALTA**

Greg Underwood	Full-Time
Eva Nieminski	Part-Time

BEAVER MOUNTAIN

Andrea Ellis	Alpine
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BRIANHEAD

Marsha Garber	Alpine
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BRIGHTON

Jess King	
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THE CANYONS

Jack Acheson	Adult Alpine
Bill Fielding	Children
Angie Egbert	Snowboard

DEER VALLEY

Patti Olsen	Top Children's Private
Philip Linford	Top Children's Group
Terry Loiselle	Top Family
Christopher Mousley	Top Family

GRAND TARGHEE

Melissa Johns	Snowboard
Courtney Larsen	Alpine

JACKSON

Steve Holmsen	
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KELLY CANYON

Diane Lutz	Alpine
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PARK CITY

Mark Fancy	Alpine Kids
Raymond Miamidian	Alpine Adult
Paul McCarty	Snowboard

PEBBLE CREEK

Jeremy Varley	
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POWDER MOUNTAIN

G. Craig Merhoff	Alpine
Herbert Scales, IV	Snowboard

SNOWBASIN

Steve Meador	Full-Time
Pat Cumberland	Part-Time

SNOWBIRD

Zachary Greenfield	Alpine Children's
Franz Penistan	Alpine Adult
Matt Davis	Snowboard

SOLITUDE

Ron Cook	
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SUNDANCE

Wendy Densley	
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Spring Clinic 2005

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40-year pin recipients are honored during the Spring Clinic banquet.



Current and past Board members are recognized at Spring Clinic (right). Instructors of the Year are spotlighted (below).



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tell me that they felt I would pass level II. Then sometimes they would mention elements that would need to be addressed *when* seeking level III, not *if*. The confidence that comes with all of this is intoxicating. You just want more. In time, when I find a resort where I can work, I will take my assessments and hope to achieve my ski goals.

There may be those who say that pass holders who attend too many clinics are abusing the program. I want to differ with that opinion. Inclusion of season pass holders should never result in exclusion of members who don't have the pass. They can, however, fill clinics that might otherwise be canceled. They will, in time enrich the division; through the quality of training they can obtain and with time, pass on.

So it comes to this: Clinics in our division are exceptionally good. They serve more purpose than just meeting requirements for contact hours. The offering of clinic season passes gives those with the desire and available time an opportunity to advance in their practice of this sport and profession that we love. — **Jim Avichouser is a PSIA-I non-affiliated member.**

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body strives to provide a good product and maintain a high standard of excellence for the certification process.

My successor will be Dave Lundberg, who I think will do an excellent job in this position. I am sure the team and members will give him the same respect that they have shown to me. Best of luck to Dave.

The DECLs are looking for qualified people for the team next year. There will be a hiring event in January with dates to be announced. So if you have an interest in the team, please have your application into the office by the date to be announced in the Fall Edge.

I want to thank the team, the office, and the membership for their support and allowing me to serve PSIA-I as the Team Manager. I will continue to be an active DECL member and serve on the Board of Directors. — **Thanks, Randy**

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