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Making a **Difference**

By *Sandra Guzman*

I need a new kidney. I've spent this past winter going to dialysis three nights a week to maintain my health with a machine that does the work of what my kidneys used to do. It is absolutely mind boggling to think how efficiently the human body is designed. A typical kidney continually processes about 200 quarts of blood in a day and produces about 2 quarts of waste product that is then eliminated from the body. A dialysis machine circulates my blood through a man-made filter for 3 hours each session, simulating only a small portion of the work a healthy full-time functioning kidney does.

I was diagnosed with End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) at the end of October 2009, after spending a week in the hospital due to almost complete kidney failure. Apparently, Lupus was the cause that triggered an autoimmune response in my kidneys and destroyed my health and their ability to function in an unfortunately short time frame. One minute your fine (OK, I definitely felt some sort of decline over the summer months, but I was still doing a lot of what I normally do) and



Sandra Guzman enjoying the view along Snowbird's cirque traverse.

the next minute, your life takes on a whole different twist.

I am happy to say that I was able to recover a great deal of my previous capacity and spent the winter season instructing full-time at Snowbird. I had to take a fresh look at my intentions each day and be willing to adjust my expectations. Every day was an experiment in establishing a new "normal". I definitely felt a fatigue factor that has never been present before, but I felt I rode and skied well and was able to provide both new and returning guests with memorable experiences that met their goals (and mine).

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Got Dues Invoice?

Hopefully all members have received their dues invoices for the upcoming season – 2010/2011. If you have not, please get in touch with the office as soon as possible, so they can investigate why you have not received it. The division office mailed out paper statements to all members the week of May 10 and the National office emailed invoices to all members that have current emails in the national system on May 3, 2010.

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President's Message

By Christine Katzenberger

What a great season we had. Good snow when it finally came in February and a great March for most everyone. Business was down but I think all in all everyone did better than expected.

Thank you to the members for moving forward in your education and certification. Many attained a new level and a lot attended clinics and indoor lectures that improved knowledge. Your participation not only helps you but the resort you represent, the guests you serve and our Division. The professionalism and respect for PSIA/ AASI lies with each one of us and how we represent the organization.

Thank you to the resorts who hosted many PSIA and AASI events this year. Without you both the organization and instructors would be at a loss.

Thanks to our DECL clinic and certification leaders who put many hours in to prepare and help train new and veteran instructors. These are key people who have stepped up to retain the character and respect for PSIA/AASI – Intermountain. We appreciate your willingness to mentor and sometimes take the brunt of assessment results.

Thanks to the office staff. Susan, Vicki, Pam and Carolyn are an essential part of keeping this Division running. Susan did an awesome job with the coordination of the Spring Clinic in Sun Valley. I hope that if you attended you'll pass on your thanks for a great event. Vicki, Pam and Carolyn should be commended for supporting Susan and the new National computer system. They have worked diligently with National to work through the bugs and get the system ready for every member.

Thanks to the Board for your continued dedication and involvement in the division. This group of individuals dedicates their time to enhancing the organization and making sure the standards and policies stay in place. Every one of them represents a portion of the membership and brings ideas and suggestions to our meetings. The Board, DECL staff and office staff will start a busy summer planning and preparing for next season. This is the time when changes, tweaks and modifications really happen so that when we hit the ground running again in November, we can run a smooth operation.

Welcome to the new Board members - Shannon Highlander, Tony Fantis, Anita Oliveri and Danny Edwards. Thank you to those that showed interest in running for the Board. The future of this Division and PSIA/AASI depends on member participation and interest.

Thank you and have a great summer. ■

Sun Valley Photos

See page 12 for pictures of the Sun Valley Spring Symposium . Additional photos can be viewed on the website at www.psia-i.org.

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PSIA/AASI Intermountain President Chris Katzenberger on her way to a second place finish in slalom at the World Winter Master's Games this winter in Bled, Slovenia. Chris also finished fourth in Super G.



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If you have not updated your profile within the national system, please do so by logging in to www.thesnowpros.org with your national ID number. You can affiliate yourself with your snowsports school and also, update addresses and emails so Intermountain and National can provide you important information during the season and also, to guarantee you receive your national publications and divisional newsletters. Soon you will also be able to view your education history.

Remember dues can be paid online through the National system or you can call the PSIA-I/AASI-I office and pay over the phone or just mail in a check or credit card!

Don't be late!! To avoid \$20 in late fees, make sure your payment is made by June 30, 2010! ■



Chris Katzenberger, left, on the podium at the World Master's Games.



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2011 Spring Clinic

The 2011 Spring Clinic is scheduled for Snowbird, April 29 through May 1. The division will be inviting all other Divisions to participate. Make your plans now and tell your friends across the country to plan now for an Intermountain spring!





Professional **Passion**

By Ryan Dittmar

I'm sitting in the Oakland airport watching "Truth in Motion" on my laptop while I wait for my flight back home to SLC. As I'm watching this documentary style movie about making the US Olympic ski team, I look at those individuals passion and drive to be the best at what they are, I have to look inside myself and ask, "What is my drive"? I'm not driven to ski in movies, become a local legend, or even have a chance to ski Chamonix . . . like I did when I was 21.

As I'm looking inside myself for what drives me, I also have to wonder, what's the drive for all those instructors going for certification? I question this because of the recent pass/fail results of the level 2 and level 3 exams. Are the poor pass rates due to a more difficult process or level of expectation of the division, or has the level of drive and preparation changed? People tell us we are "generation X" and that we expect things to come easy and feel some level of entitlement.

When I first started teaching skiing I felt like I was better than all these PSIA pretty boys. I came from a racing background and having had success racing on a regional level, I felt like these PSIA people were trying to get up to my level, but hadn't put in the pain and suffering needed to ski at that level. I took my level 1 and breezed through. I knew all this stuff; it was pretty simple and straight forward, all the basics from years of skiing and being coached. I worked on my low-level demos during lessons I was teaching and even went out a few times with trainers to get ready for my level 2 skiing. I took a quick look at some lesson progressions before my level 2. During the level 2 teaching I came to a quick realization . . . I wasn't the best teacher in my group! This caught me way off guard. I skimmed by the level 2 exam, but



Ryan Dittmar tours under the Wasatch sun.

gained an important clarity and understanding of what PSIA was really about and that I really wasn't nearly as good as I thought I was.

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With my new change in perspective I realized I was not "above" all this technical and structured philosophy PSIA was preaching, but that it could actually make me a better skier! When I realized this, and that I could not only go out and clinic with the DECL's at my mountain but that I could get paid for some of this training as well, I took advantage at every opportunity. The supervisors and directors that I worked for must have noticed the change. I started getting better lessons, clients that I could actually teach for days at a time and wanted to ski with me every time they came out to Utah. Those clients started referring other clients to me.

Many of my high-end clients wanted to helicopter ski and take me with them. A lot of these clients became my friends and we enjoyed improving and working on their skiing together. After putting in the effort to be a better skier and a better teacher, I had fun going through the level 3 and DECL tryout. Not because I put in

great effort to pass the exams or the try-out's, but because I was putting in great effort to become a professional. I love skiing and I love sharing that love with others. The thrill and excitement of being free to express myself on snow is my drive and passion. I've found that a passion is wasted unless I can share it with others.

I needed a change in perspective. Once I changed my attitude and realized what I could gain from PSIA as an organization I realized I wanted to contribute to the organization and not just take. The certification process is about teaching us all to be professionals. When you are preparing for your next assessment consider your ability to present yourself as a professional. I love what I do, because I'm good at it! I'm not the best, and I'm not nearly done learning.

I am also an engineer. I recently presented training on some equipment a customer contracted me to build. The group of trainee's consisted of three rocket scientists, one equipment technician, and two project managers for one of the country's premier scientific research laboratories. I spent countless hours preparing manuals, presentations, and operating procedures for this equipment. Because I knew the audience, I knew I would look foolish if I was unprepared or appeared in any way unprofessional. Things went extremely well during the training and I



Communication Corner

Nancy Kronthaler, PSIA-I/AASI-I Communication V.P

It was a hectic winter with spurts of business and snow and most of the areas closing with the best skiing they had all season. Due to late snowfall, Spring Clinic at Sun Valley was epic! Bright sunny cold days with miles of packed powder and afternoon corn. We thank all of

your who participated, and Ron Kipp, Kirsten Huotte(Northwest contact), Susan Oakden, Mary Flynn Ware (silent auction manager) and many others for the year of planning it took to make that event a success!

The 2011 Spring Clinic will be held at Snowbird, April 29 -30 – May 1 with our race clinics being a part of the event. We will be inviting the other Divisions to participate, offering a package with some meals and lodging. 2012 we will host Spring Clinic at one of our northern areas – Jackson or Targhee.

The SIRC Committee, comprised of representatives from each snow sport school, has been working on criteria to judge scholarship applications. Anita Oliveri has been asked to be in charge of communications for the group. The Fall Edge will publish scholarship information for our membership.

Carl Boyer (our National Rep) and I continued our outreach open house program this past season. We have enjoyed meeting members and we valued their input to help our organization meet the needs of our members and member schools. Two new schools have joined our division as a result of our efforts – Pine Creek in Cokeville WY, and Snow King in Jackson WY. We welcome them to our Division! Carl and I plan to continue this program that allows us to hear the voice of the membership.

As we shift into summer mode, take time for your personal growth with physical training and take time to read the many publications available that will help prepare you for your educational and certification goals in the upcoming seasons.

I am always grateful for your input. Don't hesitate to contact me through our divisional office. Your ideas help strengthen our organization.

Have a safe and adventurous summer. ■

diligent effort and countless hours of preparation. Lucky for us . . . our professional preparation is also really fun.

Anybody who has skied or ridden with me knows that I love to be on the snow and there is nothing I enjoy more than handing out assessment envelopes with a pin in the bottom. I hope that we can all put in that extra effort and preparation to represent our profession in a manner that makes our colleagues proud to be members. – **Ryan Dittmar is a PSIA-I DECL**

Edge Numbers Reduced

In an effort to reduce expenses, the annual number of issues of the *Instructors Edge* have been reduced from four to three. The new publication schedule will include a Fall issue, a Winter issue and a Spring/Summer issue. The Winter Two issue has been eliminated.

You can help save the division money if you are receiving multiple issues of the newsletter in your home. Anyone not wishing to receive a hard copy of these publications or if multiple copies are being delivered to one household unnecessarily, please notify the office via the website, www.psia-i.org or email admin@psia-i.org. *The Instructors Edge* appears online for reading at www.psia-i.org. ■

am expecting another contract from this customer in the future. It was up to me to represent my company and show the customer what we have to offer. We need to approach teaching skiing in the same manner. It's a lot more fun, so it should be much less painful!

The certification process is our preparation to assure our customers we have a good product (and it may be the least expensive professional organization that I know of). It is also there to assure the resorts we work for and the other professionals in our industry that

they can count on us to keep bringing the clients back for more.

As *professional* ski instructors we need to prepare ourselves for teaching lessons and assessments in the same manor, like professionals. As an engineer I rely on my reputation and my body of work to keep my clients coming back and for their referrals. Our certification process works in a very similar way. Putting on that certification pin is like PSIA (and all of us that are members) putting its stamp of approval on you. Being part of any elite group takes

BOD Proposals

Proposals for Board of Directors consideration are welcome with the following conditions. Proposals must be sponsored by a current Board member and a completed proposal form (available for download from the division website, www.psia-i.org) detailing the justification for the proposal must be completed and provided to the sponsoring BOD member. The next Board meeting is scheduled for October. ■

Two Added to **Alpine DECL staff**

Karin Sieber from Jackson Hole and Andrew Raybould from Park City Mountain Resort have been invited to join the DECL staff. Both former Development Squad members have met and surpassed standards and will now work as full clinicians and examiners.



Karin has taught at Jackson Hole for the past ten years. A 2000 graduate from St. Lawrence University Karin has a BS in Geology. While at St. Lawrence she played Division I Ice Hockey, Division III Field Hockey, trained guides for the Outdoor Program, was a campus First Responder, and skied all over New York, Vermont, Canada, and many western states.

Andy grew up in the United Kingdom. He started skiing when he was 10 years old in Kranjska Gora Slovenia. After a University education he started teaching in Verbier, Switzerland and trained to be a BASI ski instructor. Three years later he took a position at Park City Mountain Resort where he has been teaching and coaching for the past six winters. His summers have been spent with the Winter Sports Club in Perisher Australia and Mt. Hutt New Zealand.

Both Karin and Andy bring a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to our DECL ski teaching family. Their desire for continued learning is never ending and very infectious. ■

Alpine Certification

By Franklin Williams, PSIA-I Certification Manager



While spring has finally decided to show itself, some of us have just finished skiing and I hope everyone has been making the most of this late season good snow. Congratulations are in order for all of you who were successful with your certification goals! A big salute to everyone who attended training and made the efforts to improve yourself and your students. If you were not successful, this salute is for you as well. Part of the growth process is getting your feet wet. Can't achieve anything watching from the sidelines, and there will always be bumps in the road when trying new things and attaining knowledge. Don't forget...the process is the key! That is where the learning is occurring. Regardless the successfulness of your efforts, you must continue to focus on HOW you are preparing. The division is making efforts (based on member feedback) to continue to improve how we assist you. We expect the same from the members. Below is a quick review of the season with a few "myth busters" and some ticklers for what I hope will be realized for next season.

We had about the same participation this season as last regarding assessments. The level 1 process was well received (except for the crossword puzzle)! Everyone can blame me for that one. Speaking of, we will be making some minor tweaks to the L1 workbook – if you have already started working on the current version – not to worry. This "new" one will only have some wording changes so no real content adjustments that will affect how or what you study.

Myth Buster: The pass/fail rates continue to be similar from past seasons. This is the truth! Everyone seems to think we (examiners) are getting tougher or the process is getting harder, etc. Not true. While we have made a concerted effort to better assess to the national standards that has NOT significantly changed the rate of success. I'd argue that when you DO meet the standard you can feel you really are at the level expected.

One exception to the previous paragraph is the L3 teach. This success rate has dropped. There are several proposals in place to help ALL candidates with success, and the L3 will see more attention to this over the summer.

We do not have enough data yet to tell if the new L1 process with the video will in fact help the success rate at L2. From anecdotal observations I can say it appears to, yet we'll have to wait until next season to tell for sure. Thank you for those who submitted feedback to me on how they felt we could make it better.

This summer there are plans to make improvements to the following areas regarding certification. Several are tied closely to education.

1. Clean up of the written tests. (In full disclosure and at the risk of seeding something that may never happen...) I'm exploring how we can make these web based so you could conceivably take these from home or other computer outlet. There are many ideas out there from other testing bodies on how this could be done. It costs money to produce and frankly I like a more human touch so we'll see.

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Alpine Education

By Ron Kipp, PSIA Alpine Education Manager

The Theory behind Practice and the Practice of Theory

The path to becoming a skillful ski teacher mainly consists of attending clinics. On-snow clinics like “ski improvement” and “drills and skills” are examples of the current means to becoming proficient at our profession.

Clinicians leading these educational events have two objectives. First to convey information about the topic and secondly to demonstrate “good ski teaching”. These two goals can be conflicting. Information, given verbally can take up valuable ski time, while skiing displaces time that could be used to convey information. Balancing these two features is difficult at best.

Teaching the public shares this dilemma. We know that too much talk and theory will not necessarily make our student a better skier. While the student needs to understand the task and goals we are trained not to belabor them with verbal intercourse. Get to the point, ski, and repeat. That is the recipe for a good lesson.

While we view our clinics as a parallel analogue to the ski lessons we teach, they are actually quite different. The student’s goal is simple: ski better. The ski instructor’s goal out on the hill with their student involves many factors. In the most simple of terms we analyze the student’s skiing and prescribe a solution to help them in reaching their skiing goals. While seemingly straightforward we all know that there are many intricacies involved in good ski teaching. We must understand the skier’s biomechanics, the physics of the turn, along with the didactic considerations which make us good ski teachers.

It is almost inevitable that during a ski clinic the clinician will at some point scribe an arc in the snow with their ski pole. While watching this curved incision being engraved in the snow we can’t help but think “I hope this sermon doesn’t get too in-depth!”. It is not that the instructor/student doesn’t appreciate this more in-depth information, it is just they are in their boots on a ski slope. They are expecting to ski and they, like most ski instructors, love to ski.

The love and passion of skiing is an essential element of ski teaching... just as is those vectors that the clinician was attempting to draw in the snow. This then begs the question: When and where do we learn the “theory” behind our practice? We practice, practice, practice, but how do we back up this practice? Is it the most appropriate practice? Is this practice backed by functional theory

Understanding theory is where the ski teacher differs from the ski student. We don’t just know what to do, we know why we do it. And knowing “why” is not just a single answer. Every drill, exercise, or cue we give should be a mental struggle between 10 other drills, exercises, or cues. Why 10? Because our depth of understanding should be at least 10 times deeper than our students. We don’t just see the student in the back seat. We see him with a stiff leg, straight ankle, tipped spine, rotated shoulders, blocked hip, outside ski tip lead, and oh yeah, hands back. What do we start with? You could make the

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Adaptive News

By Kristen Caldwell

We made it through our first season of the new certification process, and everything seemed to go well! We certified four Adaptive Level 1 instructors, three Adaptive Level 2 instructors, and three Adaptive Snowboard Level 1 instructors. Thank you to all the clinicians and candidates who pioneered the new system for us.

For those of you that didn’t hear, we held the first Adaptive Snowboard exam ever in Intermountain this past March! It all came together very quickly toward the end of the season, thanks to Travis Thiele (Snowboard Training Manager at the National Ability Center) and Brent Kuemmerle (Adaptive Snowboard Clinician from PSIA-West). Just as we are improving the adaptive alpine certification process, we hope to improve (or rather create) an adaptive snowboarding education and assessment process in Intermountain. We jumped in head first this past season and hope to refine the process for next year.

The adaptive committee met in May to review the season and make improvements for next year. Some changes to look forward to are:

1. Addition of an educational clinic, not just prep clinics and assessments.
2. Varying the days of the week for all clinics, not just Saturdays.
3. Addition of Adaptive Snowboard clinics and assessments.
4. More information on the Adaptive section of the PSIA Intermountain website.
5. Improved Adaptive DECL training.

If you have a comment or suggestion that wasn’t mentioned here, please feel free to email me at kristenc@discovernac.org. Have a great summer! ■

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From the onset of the season, I recognized a greater appreciation of the little things that turn a typical day into a really good day- and most of those things are because of other people. A smile, a hug, a text, a handshake, a “good game” slap on the backside... The excitement of exploring someone’s first-time experience in the snow or nailing a certain line. Helping someone understand a concept or feel the sensation of a different move. Catching up with old friends, making new ones, reminiscing about killer powder runs and core shots, telling stories on the chairs, hearing stories on the chairs... There is an honesty and a caring that is reciprocated when we share a little bit of ourselves with others. And that makes the shared experience a little deeper and richer for all involved. It is this sharing of experiences that keeps me instructing season after season.

Several years ago, when I tried out for the AASI National Team, my indoor presentation was on “Making a Difference”. My intent was to encourage all involved to explore and deliver a product that would make a difference, to be involved in something purposeful. I referenced a story that had been circulating on the Internet at the time about a little boy throwing starfish back into the sea, on a beach where hundreds had been carried ashore by an unusual current. A casual passerby commented on the futility of the boy’s efforts, to which the boy paused and then responded, “It matters to this one”.

As seasons come and go, I continue to learn how important this perspective can be. We have the opportunity to make a difference every day. As instructors, we can make a difference every single lesson. Sure we can teach a skill, but we can do so much more if we are willing to really share the part of ourselves that creates a bond. This connection fosters trust, builds confidence, and breaks down barriers of

fear, apathy or self-consciousness. This connection becomes a friendship based on a shared passion not just for the slopes but for people- for caring, for being involved, receiving what others have to offer and helping them realize their potential. Being around people who care, encourage us to perpetuate the cycle. Participating in PSIA and AASI continues to help me understand the learning process and by being involved, I also am enriched by you and what you bring to the mix.

What has all this got to do with kids? Well, as I have been thrown into this health challenge, I was told from the get-go that I would be a “really great donor recipient”. What a euphemistic way for my doc to say that my kidneys

were toast! Consequently, I have spent a great deal of time considering what I am asking of someone and the impact it will have both for me and the donor. I am learning to ask for help and thought I would extend an invitation to any one of you who might be willing to share an extraordinary gift with someone.

Yes, this invitation is somewhat self-serving. But I would also ask- if you are considering this, that even if we are not a match, perhaps you might be a “Good Samaritan” donor. There are over 50,000 people on the wait list for a kidney transplant. My projected wait time is 2 years, because of my blood type (O+). The sooner I can receive a

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point that stance is essential and someone told you to start there. Although what if their rotation is such that every time the student finishes a turn they get thrown in the trunk? Will telling them to move forward solve this problem? Or is it just a band-aid covering the effect of some other deficit as in this case where the rotation “caused” the rearward stance?

Practice is performed in the arena of the ski slope. There are “ski machines” that are used indoors that mimic certain physiological parameters of skiing but everyone knows they are not skiing. If you want to learn skiing then you have to ski. The same is true with theory. You can feel centrifugal force making a turn, but what are it’s components? If you want to decrease this outward effect would you change the turn radius or speed? Maybe both, but which one has the greatest effect (hint: one is squared)? The theory needs to be learned elsewhere.

This season, PSIA-I had 21 indoor lectures. We have grown from two per season, to four, to 21. Maybe we have come of age. These 21 lectures were met with an audience that was eager to learn and increase their breadth and depth of knowledge. Subjects that used to be hard to pronounce now have a meaning to the attendee. Physiology is different from psychology, and understanding the sarcomere will help explain eccentric tension.

The modern client wants, desires, and pays dearly for a professional. If you go to the doctor you would be leery if a Boy Scout with his First Aid merit badge walked into the examination room. The same should be true of ski teaching. Not only should the ski instructor be certified, but they should be educated with a breadth and depth beyond the surface.

PSIA-I has done a great job so far with theory. We have the workbook, and a plethora of reading materials. These along with the lecture series is a good start. Next season look for even greater direction with the lecture series. It is now time to practice theory. ■

BOD Meeting Items

By Scott McGee

If you're gonna be late...be early!

Late registrations accounted for \$5,780 in the last fiscal year. This exceeded the budget, based on experience, which was \$4,500. Please keep your money – that late fee money can be yours to spend as you wish! Sign up early next season. Help younger and newer members figure out how to get their registrations on time. It helps everybody:

- ◆ The office can plan for numbers of

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transplant, the less long-term damage to my health will be incurred. A kidney from a living donor offers the recipient an average of 10 years longer than receiving one from a deceased donor. My understanding, as I continue to research, is that both the donor and the recipient can live healthy, normal life with a single, functioning kidney. You really will be making a huge difference!

I would be happy to speak with anyone who would like to know more. I can direct you to great resources and information (www.shareyourlife.org, www.kidney.org, www.aakp.org,) and facilitate discussion with other donors to help you gain a better understanding. My goal would be to have a transplant sometime before October, so that I might be back on the hill for the '10-'11 season. I need a couple of months to recover. The donor typically will need a week or so. If you think this is something you would like to explore, please contact me at designfxsg@gmail.com.

Thanks to the many friends, colleagues and clients who shared themselves with me this past season and expressed concern, wisdom, friendship and hope. Sincerely, Sandra Guzman.

–Sandra Guzman is an AASI-I DECL

- participants at events
- ◆ Discipline manager can staff accordingly.
- ◆ Participants will have more time to prepare and optimize performance and value at clinics and assessments.
- ◆ No more last minute faxing!

How To Get Involved And 'Give Back'

Thanks to all of the dedicated volunteers who help keep this ship, PSIA/AASI-Intermountain, on course. These members give of their time for meetings three times a year, and do countless hours 'behind the scenes' whether that's preparing a divisional budget for approval, writing proposals, organizing spring clinics, spearheading fundraisers for scholarships, visiting member schools or attending clinics.

If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity for you to volunteer, Board meetings are open for current members to attend, and elections to the Board occur every February.

Another way to be involved is the Snowsports Instructors Representative Committee. Represent your school on the SIRC and help your colleagues have a voice to the Board. The SIRC is made up of two instructors from each school, plus alternates. Contact your school director, regional Board member or the division office to express your interest, get involved and make a difference.

Board Biz...

Your Board of Directors had a very busy and lively meeting at the National Ability Center (Thanks, Kristen Caldwell) in Park City, UT, on May 14. Here are some of the highlights.

Alf Engen Ski Museum

PSIA/AASI-I has a wall in the Alf Engen Ski Museum with some of the pioneers and heroes of snowsports instruction. Featured are Alf Engen and others like Junior Bounous and Corey Engen. Keith Lange and Clark Parkinson brought a proposal to fund a remodel of the wall to upgrade it to big-

ger bios for hall of famers and new lettering highlighting the value of instruction, like the present inscription, "Honor thy teacher." APPROVED
Proposals were entertained to...

- ◆ allow former DECL who has left the division, to apply to the Board for reinstatement as a member and or a DECL. APPROVED
- ◆ award Dave Boucher, past divisional president, and Sid Jensen, ski instruction pioneer, lifetime membership status in PSIA/AASI-Intermountain. APPROVED
- ◆ request to National to award 50 year pin recipients lifetime membership. APPROVED
- ◆ establish a scholarship committee with authority to determine criteria and award scholarships. APPROVED
- ◆ establish a Compensation Committee to consider pay issues to employees, to comply with our status as a 501 (c)(6). APPROVED
- ◆ require DECL's of all disciplines to attend at least one cross-discipline clinic every two years. TABLED
- ◆ offer a "Special Order Clinic" that snowsports school directors can request – a customized clinic (without clinic credit), paid for by the host school up front (\$350), for members and/or nonmembers, with requests due by Oct. 1, that lets schools request specific curriculum and/or staff. APPROVED
- ◆ provide a pilot Alpine Level 3 Prep Academy program to be initiated 2010-2011. DENIED. It was decided that all the pieces are currently in place to conduct a multi-day cert prep event like the pilot Level 3 Prep Academy with a rate that includes evening sessions.
- ◆ offer a Member Recruiting Clinic for Nordic Centers to help bring on new members and new member schools. APPROVED
- ◆ establish an Education Steering Committee, consisting of discipline

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PSIA-I Telemark Education Team

By Steve Neiner, Nordic DECL

Pebble Creek, late February: two days of telemarking and telemark teaching with an incredible line up of candidates culminated with two newly anointed Intermountain Division Telemark Examiner and Clinicians. Congratulations to Grant Bishop and Ann Schorling from Jackson Hole on their new positions. Returning as Telemark Devo Team members are Dave Karlin and Nate Carey from Jackson Hole. Also joining the telemark education team as Devo staff is Tim Arrington from Grand Targhee/Pebble Creek, and James Ledyard from Alta.

This outstanding group of educators met at 8am each morning, skiing demo forms, teaching assigned topics and chosen topics, whispering in selector's ears with regard to mechanics they were watching, and then delivering analysis/cause/effect/prescription on the spot. No easy task considering the high level of execution we were witnessing from some of the region's finest skiers. Candidates were also asked to deliver indoor presentations to the group, with a plethora of the latest and greatest developments in telemark equipment, technique, physiology, and culture.

A big thank you to Dana Olson from the Idaho State University Outdoor Program, and Idaho State University for hosting our evening indoor presentations in one of their meeting rooms on campus in Pocatello. We would also like to thank and recognize Scott Rockwood and Dana Crist from the Pebble Creek Ski School, and Mary Reichmann, mountain manager from Pebble Creek Ski Area for all their invaluable assistance in hosting this Nordic event. The slopes of Pebble Creek proved to be an excellent arena in which to host these two days, with

central location, surprisingly good snow, plentiful terrain, and awe inspiring vistas. Thanks also to our team of selectors: Tom Marshall, National Nordic Team member traveled from Big Sky, Intermountain Telemark Head Coach Chris Ulm from Alta, and Scotty McGee, National Nordic Team Head Coach from Jackson Hole. And thanks also to Mike Shimp, Intermountain

Nordic Manager, for his vision, organization, and hard work in pulling this entire affair together. We look forward to this group adding another level of excitement to our Nordic program offerings, and spreading the gospel that is telemark to our Intermountain membership.

As always, from the nords, pray for snow... ■

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- managers and other representatives. TABLED. The concept needs more definition, especially in light of other defunct committees that still exist in our policies and procedures.
- ◆ provide each school with one clinic voucher to be distributed by directors to a staff member. DENIED
 - ◆ balance a budget for FY 2010-2011. APPROVED

There was much discussion regarding DECL compensation and clinic and assessment rates. The widespread belief is that current pay rates are below market value and that DECL pay cannot go up without an increase in event fees. The matter was tabled and handed off to the newly formed Compensation Committee. Other items were discussed line by line, and the effort resulted in a budget that is \$12 in the black. ■

ALPINE CERTIFICATION continued from 6

2. DECL education materials: This may seem an odd topic but our DECL body can't do an effective job without consensus in the group, then documentation on what those decisions are and how to implement them. These will be updated this summer by a group of your DECL's to support a consistent, fair, educational assessment process.

3. Change to follow-up procedures for candidates who are not successful. Well actually there is no formal process for this and I wish to make one. The idea is that we truly want people to be successful (another myth buster!) and several of you who have struggled seem to get lost in the shuffle. I do not want that to happen any longer. Therefore, from a to-be-developed process, you can expect to hear from me after unsuccessful attempts. More details on this when they are finalized.

4. Video. Many ideas here, but one is to get video up on the web and DV's for you to watch and learn from. Probably the biggest request I get is for video footage and MA topics. Hence, we are gathering clips, and will be editing for both web streaming or download in various formats. These can range from simple clips of just skiing to more complex clips with arrows, pointers, animations possibly, etc. This will be a very FLUID process with changes, additions, etc. Whatever is put up first will continue to evolve. Look for those in beta by first snow fall.

Well there ya go. Busy summer ahead for all of us here, but we look forward to putting your feedback in action. I encourage everyone to find your bliss outside, keep the body in motion and continue to get better fit and better educated about how we humans move around this wonderful planet. ■

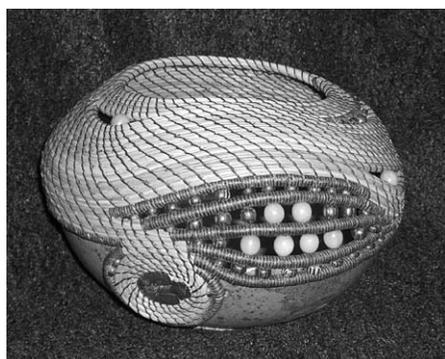
Life Beyond Ski School?

Instructors must refresh and recover

By Harriet Wallis

Two of Brighton Resort's core instructors philosophized about the complex relationship between teaching within a ski school and its affect on life outside the ski school.

"Good instructors pour their hearts and souls to their students. They give everything. They give their entire selves," said Brighton Training Director Carolyn Fushimi. "Instructors can get burned out by the end of the season – sometimes by the end of the day. Teaching can suck the life right out of them.



"Instructors must find a way to refresh and recover. There has to be a balance between giving and self."

Many instructors refresh with yoga, mountain biking or some other activity. But Fushimi and Instructor Leslie Blank feed their souls and replenish their spirits through their hands. They collaborate to make museum-quality art objects that are part stoneware pottery and part basketry.

Blank, a potter for 20 years, says pottery is part art, part science and part unpredictable elements. She relates



Carolyn Fushimi and Leslie Blank

Harriet Wallis

pottery to teaching.

"You can be the best technician in the world, but you must have creative ability" to deal with whatever occurs with the pottery or in class, she said.

Fushimi, a basket-maker for 10 years, says basketry is the antithesis of teaching. I put Leslie's finished pottery on my coffee table and stare at it for a long while before deciding how to inte-



grate the basketry, she said.

It's unlike teaching because "we cannot just stare at our students and make things happen," she jests.

Their approaches are different, but their passion for their art runs deep. It restores and refreshes them. They have offers to exhibit their work in galleries.

Whether it's an artistic or an athletic venture, "instructors must have some way to recharge themselves," said Blank. "They give so much of themselves."

ASEA* Report

By Carl Boyer

There will be two unique nationally sponsored events that you may wish to attend this upcoming season.

First is Interski, which will be held in St Anton, Austria, January 15-22, 2011. This event held once every four years showcases the evolution and current state of snowsports instruction and methodologies from the major Snowsports countries. Our national teams will participate, and a special European mini-academy has been added January 11-15, 2011 in St Anton for our members to ski with our teams immediately prior to Interski. Details and sign-up options are available now on the national website www.thesnowpros.org.

Second; another milestone event will be the celebration of Fifty Years of PSIA/AASI, dubbed the 50/50 at Snowmass, Colorado April 4-9, 2011. There will be a 5-day education track (probably incorporating info from the just completed Interski). There will be a 'la carte pricing so members can pick any timing that matches their availability. Details will be available online later at www.thesnowpros.org but the best accommodation deals will accrue to those who sign up early. *The American Snowsports Education Association. The parent organization of PSIA and AASI.



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Brian Oakden

Sun Valley
Symposium 2010



Achievements and Awards: Certification

Alpine Certification

Level 1

Abbey, Michael Jackson
 Aldred, Holley Sundance
 Anderson, Brionna Alta
 Anderson, Kellie Alta
 App, Jillian Jackson
 Arndt, Jesse The Canyons
 Baker, Billy Jackson
 Barrett, Emily The Canyons
 Barrett, Lauren Jackson
 Benjamin, Donald Jackson
 Besselièvre, John The Canyons
 Bianchi, Joel Snow King
 Bilzi, Brian Deer Valley
 Bo Friis, Marianne Snowbasin
 Bruno, Christina NAC
 Bryant, Jane Snow King
 Byars, Zachary Jackson
 Cahill, Meaghan Jackson
 Clark, Sean Jackson
 Clark, Wendy Deer Valley
 Clemens, David A. Jackson
 Cochran, Erin The Canyons
 Corwin, Julie Deer Valley
 Cote, Michael Targhee
 Cousin, Reuben Snowbird
 Crandall, Caroline Deer Valley
 Cuomo, Helene Brighton
 Cuyler, Keelan Park City
 Daly, Laura Deer Valley
 Darger, Remington Deer Valley
 Davies, Lori The Canyons
 Davis, John H. Snow King
 Decker, Christopher The Canyons
 Decker, Lindsay Brighton
 Denis, Linda Jackson
 Dornfeld, Ian Park City
 Doyle, Shawn Jackson
 Dratter, Joe The Canyons
 Duprat, Johanne Deer Valley
 Elletson, Roger Snow King
 Everett, Alex M. Jackson
 Fancy, Mark Park City
 Fish, Kyle The Canyons
 Frieda, Matt Sundance
 Gallagher, Andrew Park City
 Garrett, Mike Sundance
 Gebhardt, Linda Targhee
 Goeller, Aaron Solitude
 Gold, Brittany The Canyons
 Gregory, Genee The Canyons
 Guinn, Alison Snowbird
 Hagan, Tara Jackson
 Hart, Myles Deer Valley
 Head, Julia Alta
 Heinrich, Ed Snowbird
 Hellman, Tony Solitude
 Hewson, Steve B Deer Valley

Hoffman, Darrel Snow King
 Hopkins, Carrie Snowbasin
 Howe, Katherine H. Deer Valley
 Hunter, Donna Snowbasin
 Iverson, Erik Jackson
 Jackson, Jennifer Park City
 Jevtich, Bo Wolf Creek
 Jones, Suzie Snowbasin
 Kellogg, Sarah Jackson
 Keyhani, Keyvan Snowbird
 Klein, Cassidy Deer Valley
 Krause, Bill Solitude
 Krewin, Sabrina Brighton
 Lagemann, Jared The Canyons
 Law, Scott Park City
 Leao, Gabriela Deer Valley
 Leavitt, Lee Deer Valley
 Mangani, James Jackson
 Martineau, Jared Beaver Mt.
 Mc Geary, Genny Jackson
 Mc Gee, Brian Jackson
 Mc Mullin, M. Jesse Solitude
 Mellon, Hallie Solitude
 Menchikov, Roman The Canyons
 Mendenhall, Kimberlee Pebble Creek
 Mersereau, Steve Snowbird
 Meyers, Jerome Sundance
 Miller, Elisabeth Targhee
 Morrell, Chris Jackson
 Muller, Brian Brighton
 Mullins, Bradley The Canyons
 Murphy, Kelly Jackson
 Neal, John Park City
 Nebenzahl, Amelia Jackson
 Nenko, Jay Pebble Creek
 Nicolosi, Emily Alta
 O'Brien, Brodie Jackson
 O'Connell, Colleen Deer Valley
 Olds, Debbie Alta
 Olsen, Mike R. Snowbird
 O'Neil, Brendan J. Snowbird
 Oscadal, John Deer Valley
 Pendleton-Fairchild, Shawna Park City
 Petersmeyer, Wendy Sundance
 Peterson, Logan Sundance
 Rasmussen, Joanne Deer Valley
 Rennie, Ann Park City
 Rice, Thad Sundance
 Richards, Gretchen Snowbasin
 Roberts, Robert A. Brighton
 Roberts, Steven E. The Canyons
 Robertson, Dillon Sundance
 Rock, John Alta
 Roden, Amanda Jackson
 Rodger, Charlie Snowbird
 Rovira, Miguel Snowbird
 Rowles, Gary Park City
 Saltzman, Mike Jackson
 Sandoval, Cereescia Jackson

Schenck, Amy Jackson
 Schramm, Brian F. Park City
 Serio, Jon The Canyons
 Simkins, Wendy The Canyons
 Simonds, Seth Deer Valley
 Smith, Benjamin The Canyons
 Smithers, Kerry The Canyons
 Stewart, Sarah Deer Valley
 Stringham, Shawn Q. Brighton
 Theiss, Angela Targhee
 Valenzuela, Amber Deer Valley
 Van Fossen, Susan Alta
 Van't Hof, Michele The Canyons
 Villalon, Diego Park City
 Walsh, David Deer Valley
 Weeks, Michele Snowbird
 Werblin Moses, Adam Snowbird
 White, Robin Snowbasin
 Wilson, James John Snow King

Level 2

La Forest, Joshua The Canyons
 Russell-Cook, Paul J. Deer Valley
 Baker, Robert The Canyons
 Jensen, Braden Beaver Mt.
 Mueller, Chris Alta
 Willy, Kevin Deer Valley
 Alexander, Katie Targhee
 Ballard, Kristin Jackson
 Barden, W. Trip Jackson
 Becker, Alicia Jackson
 Chapin, Miles Jackson
 Dahlgren, Katie Jackson
 Erdman, Anne Jackson
 Hendley, George Jackson
 Lobo, Peter Jackson
 Oppenheim, Billy Jackson
 Prebish, Kimberly Jackson
 Rogers, David Jackson
 Baker, Sean Jackson
 Batorsky, Anna Park City
 Castilla, Juan Deer Valley
 Eldred, John Alta
 Elliott, Jaimee non-affiliated
 Everett, Alex M Jackson
 Jensen, Eric Deer Valley
 Johnson, Julie Deer Valley
 Miller, Elisabeth Targhee
 Morningstar, Stephen Sundance
 Pearson, Paul Deer Valley
 Sanders, Tara Targhee
 Shea, Caitlin Jackson
 Truelove, William Jackson
 Valavane, Cortney Alta
 Voight, Ryan Deer Valley
 Watkins, Pia The Canyons

Level 3

Cantor, Jason The Canyons
 Hodges, Ryan Deer Valley

Huser, Caroline Jackson
 Martelli, Alissa The Canyons
 Zakowski, Michael Solitude

Snowboard Certification

Level 1

Baud, Allison The Canyons
 Bonder, Michael Park City
 Bruno, Christina NAC
 Carbone, Kurt Jackson
 Clendening, Mark Brianhead
 Collier, Marc Targhee
 Dahmer, Ryan Pebble Creek
 Dickman, Elizabeth Solitude
 Dodd, David Park City
 Draper, Jared Brianhead
 Dulin, Kieran Jackson
 Dyer, Aimee Powder Mtn.
 Ellis, Kristen Powder Mtn.
 Emerson, Robert M. Targhee
 Gabel, Andy Jackson
 Harden, Matthew Snowbird
 Haworth, Daniel Jackson
 Heinrich, Ed Snowbird
 Hobart, Scott A. Targhee
 Jensen, Tonya Brianhead
 Johnson, Kyle M. Snowbasin
 Jones, Kristen Park City
 Joyner, Greg Park City
 Kawcak, Aaron Park City
 Knight, Brady The Canyons
 Knowlton, Robert Brianhead
 Kohler, Kristy Sundance
 Krogue, Bruce Powder Mtn.
 La Rocque, Rick Powder Mtn.
 Lowe, Nate Beaver Mtn.
 Marble, Chantry Beaver Mtn.
 McCulloch, Tallan Pebble Creek
 McLaughlin, Michael Jackson
 Neilson, Katie Sundance
 Nix, Brandon Park City
 Offensend, Rebecca Jackson
 Parrilla, Chris Snowbird
 Parslow, Adam Beaver Mtn.
 Petereit, Jon The Canyons
 Powers, Jon The Canyons
 Russo, Alissa Targhee
 Sorensen, Jr., Jay Brianhead
 Spring, Eric The Canyons
 Tucker, Lane Brighton
 Turquie, Charles Jackson
 Whited, Justin Pebble Creek
 Winfree, Casey Pebble Creek
 Zimmerman, Zack Targhee

Level 2

Honey, Jessica The Canyons
 Keenan, David Park City

Achievements and Awards: Certification and Accreditation

Kunstadter, Cecilia Jackson
Rogers, Matthew Park City
Sorenson, Jeremy Brianhead
Werblin Moses, Adam Snowbird

Level 3

Lundgren, Cody Beaver Mtn.
Shannon, Kyle Park City

Adaptive Certification

Level 1

Cassidy, Nicholas Jackson
Shinaberry, Brooke NAC
Vanian, Cherene Jackson

Level 2

Burke, Ryan Jackson
Chaney, Candice Deer Valley

Stokes, Patricia NAC

Snowboard Level 1

Bruno, Christina Jackson
Shinaberry, Brooke NAC

Nordic Certification

Downhill Level 1

Astle, Tonya Beaver Mtn.
Gordon, Taylor Alta
Martineau, Jared Beaver Mtn.
McCormick, Brent Alta
Van Fossen, Susan Alta

Downhill Level 2

Martineau, Jared Beaver Mtn.
Richards, Kori Jackson
Swenson, Darin Beaver Mtn.

Sorger, Michelle Park City
Stencel, Michael Deer Valley
Story, Christina Deer Valley
Talipsky, Julie Solitude
Truelove, William Jackson
Van Fossen, Susan Alta
Werblin Moses, Adam Snowbird

ACE II

Carrigan, Magdalen Jackson
Chamberlain, Brett Park City
Cockill, Luke Deer Valley
Huser, Caroline Jackson
Kaiser, Eric Targhee
Martelli, Alissa The Canyons
Norman, Laurie Alta
Rawson, Steve Deer Valley

Vari, Michelle Deer Valley
Whitfield, Ben Jackson

Snowboard Freestyle

Level 1

Emans, Travis Brianhead
Sorenson, Jeremy Brianhead
Scarbeary, Eli Brighton
Clark, Jon Snowbasin
Lundgren, Cody Beaver Mt

Level 2

Marble, Chantry Beaver Mt

Dedication

George Sweeney AL3/NL3
Chuck Torrey HI3/AL3
Nicholas Walker AL3/NL1
Michele Weigold SL1
Franklin Williams AL3
Michael Wilwert AL3
Scott Wood NL3
Mike Zakowski SL2/AI2

20 Year Pin

Jim Avichouser AL2
Kenneth Bailey AL2
Andy Baker AL3
Dieter Beger AL2
Robin Clegg AL2/SI2
David Cunningham AL2
Donald De Blieux NL3
Alice Drake AL2
Angie Egan NI2, AL3
Nathan Emerson AL3
Lori Gammel AL2
Eric Garner AL2
Jane Gissi AL3
Bill Good AL1
Meredith Hall AL3
Jason Hunter AL3
David Jones AL3/SI3/HL1
Renny Kerr AL2
Walter Lienhard AL3
Chip Loring AL3
Andrea Martin AL3
Mary Mc Culloch AL2
J. Scott McGee NI3, AI2
Marilyn McGill AL1/HI1
Christopher Mousley AL3/NI3
R. Richard Mulder AL2
Mary Lou Mylet AL3
Susan Nyhus AL2
David Peck SL3
John Pohl SL3
Felix Rauscher AL3/NI3
Kathleen Roe AL3
Mark Shepard AL3
Shelly Simpson AL2
Jerry Spencer AL2
Tammy Stewart AL2
George Summerson AL2

30 Year Pin

Gary Allen AL3
Dieter Altmann AL3
Guillermo Avila Paz AL3
Marianne Bicksler AL3
Diane Bode AL2
Beverly Buckway-Rosales AL2
Shawn Caine AL3
Bobbie Deese AL2
Jackie Devlin AL3
Ron Eaves AL2
Kevin Fay AL3
Steven Garside AL2
Ronald Gault AL2
Susan Hagen AL3
Mark Halterman AL3
Terri Hanrahan AL3/HL1
Greg Hill AL3
Cheryl Kidder AL3
Letitia Lussier AL3/NL2
Ann Miller AL3
Glenn Price AL3
Mike Sellers AL3
Bruce Simpson AL3
Lynn Stevens AL2
Keith Stratford AL3
Francis Wikstrom AL3
Mark Wilder AL3

40 Year Pin

Doug Christensen AL3

ACE Accreditation

ACE I

Anderson, David Targhee
Anderson, Kellie Alta
Astor, Mark The Canyons
Aten, Elissa Park City
Babbitt, Tammy Snowbasin
Bayne, Steve Deer Valley
Beckett, Jill Park City
Bourne, Jill Powder Mtn.
Buerger, Brian Alta
Burris, Alan Alta
Buzzell, Sharon Jackson
Cartier, Christina Jackson
Chamberlain, Brett Park City
Chamberlain, Victoria L. Park City
Chapman, John C. Pebble Creek
Clawson, Brad Snowbasin
Copper, Cynthia Jane Jackson
Dalton, Carol Park City
Dennis, Craig Deer Valley
Dodge, Lacey Park City
Doherty, Chris Snowbird
Dubinsky, Kristina Snowbird
Duncan, Kerry Deer Valley
Eppler, Ashley Jackson
Everett, Alex M. Jackson
Gammell, Brandi Deer Valley
Garlow, Susan Jackson
Gemmell, Dennis Deer Valley
Glick, June Jackson
Gordon, Taylor Alta
Grover, Janalee Targhee
Hammel, Kurt Deer Valley

Henderson, Matthew Brighton
Hillman, Terri Kelly Canyon
Hollinger, Richard Kelly Canyon
Jackson, Jennifer Park City
Johnson, LeRoy Alta
Kaufman, Robert The Canyons
Kling, Courtney Deer Valley
La Forest, Joshua The Canyons
Lace, Gary Evans Deer Valley
Lee, Carol Park City
Lee, Ron Park City
Lewis, Jenny Deer Valley
Mangani, James R. Jackson
Mariani, Chris L. Alta
McCarthy, Kenneth The Canyons
Menchikov, Roman The Canyons
Morgan, Laurie Snowbasin
Murphy, Brian D. Deer Valley
Nicolosi, Emily Alta
Noble, Michael Solitude
Peterson, Ann Park City
Powell, Daniel The Canyons
Powell, Jenna The Canyons
Rabin-Seal, Karen Deer Valley
Robb, Iain The Canyons
Roberts, Steven E. The Canyons
Rock, John Alta
Rogers, David Jackson
Schmitt, Shannon Jackson
Schorling, Ann Jackson
Sharrow, Robert Non-affiliated
Shea, Caitlin Jackson
Shupe, Jeremy Snowbasin
Sigmund, Lukas Deer Valley
Simmons, Paul Park City
Sinykin, William Beaver Mtn.

Recognition

Terry Hines	AL2	Dan Steffen	AL3
Tom Kronthaler	AL3	Pepi Stiegler	AL3
Stew Marsh	AL3		
Scott Montgomery	AL3	50 Year Pin	
Christopher Newell	AL2	Ron Hill	AL2
Michael Penttila	AL3, NL3	Lex Kunau	AL3
Mark Riley	AL3	Dave Thurgood	AL2
Mark Sletten	AL3		

Instructors of the Year

Alta

Eric McLoughlin	Full-Time
Ryan Grant	Part-Time

Beaver Mountain

Darin Swenson

Brighton

Brooks Carter	Alpine
Greg Hatch	Snowboard

The Canyons

Andrew Peek	Alpine
Tiana Peterson	Snowboard

Deer Valley

Mike Sellers	Private Lessons & Staff Training
Katherine "Kahaki" Howe	Children's Programs

Grand Targhee

Melissa Pangraze	Alpine
Trecia Mills	Snowboard

Jackson

Mike Janssen

Kelly Canyon

Max Rasmussen

NAC

Brian Castillo

Park City

Philip Gratz	Alpine Adult
Kyle Shannon	Snowboard Adult
Mark Fancy	Alpine Kids
Matthew Rogers	Snowboard Kids

Pebble Creek

Daniel White

Powder Mtn

Anita Oliveri

Snowbasin

Dennis McKinstry	Alpine
Jeremy Shupe	Snowboard

Snowbird

Ed Heinrich Alpine & Snowboard

Snow King

John Bitner

Solitude

Mike Elwood

Sundance

Stephen Morningstar



Kent Lundell and Scott McGee receive plaques recognizing their service on the PSIA-I/AASI-I Board of Directors.



New PSIA-I/AASI-I BOD members Shannon Highlander and Anita Oliveri pose during the Spring Board meeting.



PSIA-I/AASI-I Board members Joe Waggoner, Jess King, Scott Rockwood, Chris Katzenberger, Carl Boyer, Anita Oliveri, Max Lundberg, Nancy Kronthaler and Shannon Highlander at the Spring Board meeting. Not present were Danny Edwards, Tony Fantis, Donna McAleer, Rich McLaughlin, Jason Pellegrini, and Kathleen Roe.



Subarus from various divisions sit parked at the base of Sun Valley during Spring Clinic. PSIA/AASI members receive a new Subaru discount.



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Therapy
Surefoot, Steve Owen
Barry Stout, The Canyons
Resort
Deep Powder House
Peter Weaver, Nordica
Jerry Warren, Sundance Resort
Shallow Shaft Restaurant,
Snowbird

SIRC Committee

Your SIRC members have created a method for folks to communicate your questions and comments. Here is the breakdown and the email/phone contact info:

SIRC Communications Representative – Anita Oliveri (emails meeting minutes to co-chairs). Email: a_oliveri@yahoo.com, phone: 801-388-1931.

Leadership Model – The SIRC Committee is about Certification, Communication, and Education of the membership. We created seven co-chairs for the 38 members to communicate based on three regions.

Wasatch Resorts: Alta, Snowbird, Solitude, Brighton, DV, PCMR, Canyons, Snowbasin, Wolf, Powder

Co chairs: Erin Williams, massfiddler@aol.com, 435-640-1268; Mike Gillespie, Mikegillski@yahoo.com, 801-791-2024; Ed Heinrich, heinrich@xmission.com, 801-943-3740

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Co chairs: Emma Franzeim, franzeim@gmail.com, 307-690-9901, Paul Franzeim, franzeim@hotmail.com, 306 690 9046

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