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## **A Fun Day** Resort Skiing

By Catherine McEnroe

"...I remember my first day skiing, and I haven't gone back since. In fact I've hated winter, and am only just coming around to deal with the cold. It was at Big Sky and we were in cotton clothes, the five minutes before we got there were the first five minutes I'd ever spent in snow country. In fact we had a guy actually have his leg amputated on that trip, gangrene set in ... I remember FREEZING, and that night, the others wanted to go out to get beer. I just hated it. It was awful. Where's the fun?"

What *does* make a day of resort skiing fun? This may sound like a nobrainer, but be it your first year teaching or your fifteenth, it's important to convey what really *is* important to our students. Their fun is in our hands; their desire to return is vested *deeply* in the fun they have—along with our job security.

In order to have fun a person's physical, affective, and cognitive needs must be met. Physically, one needs appropriate clothing and gear. Affectively, one needs to enjoy competence



Eric McLoughlin,
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and recognition. Cognitively, one needs a feeling of safety and of well being. If any of these areas are lacking, the consequence is NO FUN.

To keep your client's experiences from being no fun, consider and address physical needs as they present themselves. Appropriate clothing and gear help novices and experts master their physical needs and maximize fun. Go ahead and tell them about cotton: explain its nickname 'death cloth.' Help them prevent undesired heat loss through good head protection, neck gaiters, and the concept of layering. Regarding eyewear, tell them how lenses and depth perception make a

big difference. Make sure they have a good pair of gloves (or do you really want to loan 'em yours?)

Boots, a four buckle, front entry, comfortable fit. The adage "no pain, no gain" does not apply here. Oh, and yes, boots *can* be too big. (Address this point, pronto.) As for skis, try something fun. Take new technology for a ride: invite fun and ease, go shorter and shaped. Think in terms of immediate and long-term consequences. Remember to help people conquer the elements: sunscreen, *always*. On those cold days, cover up noses and earlobes

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Nordic Team	<b>Making Music</b>





# Action in Jackson! Spring Clinic 2004, April 2, 3, 4



Are you ready for some big mountain skiing? Join us at Jackson Hole for the Spring Clinic and 4,200 continuous vertical feet of mild to wild. We're offering clinic topics that will be extra fun thanks to the incredible terrain that exists only at Jackson Hole. This is your chance to hang with your friends, have fun and experience spring in the beautiful Tetons!

Register early using the registration form available in this issue of the Edge or online at psia-i.org. We are offering a complete package including two clinic days with a clinic leader, one free ride day, and the banquet for only \$125. Guests may attend the banquet for an additional \$25 and may purchase an all-day lift ticket (at the ticket



window) for the half-price rate of only \$32.

This year's banquet will be held at the Gondola Summit high in the Tetons at over 9,000 feet in elevation. This promises to be one of the most unique "dinner among the stars" banquets ever!

Make your clinic choices early and be prepared to switch if clinics fail to fill up.

Due to liability waiver requirements, we will not be able to accept telephone applications.

#### **Alpine Topics**

- Personal Ski Improvement for Strong Skiers: Self-explanatory. Friday, Saturday and Sunday
- Personal Ski Improvement for Moderate Skiers: Self-explanatory. Friday, Saturday and Sunday
- ◆ Tour d' Jackson: Check the place out with a group of good skiers and get only the coaching you ask for. Participants must be able to handle a variety of conditions and terrain. Friday and Saturday
- ACE I Accreditation: Participants must have completed six hours of indoor ACE training and have the ACE I Workbook and the \$15.00 workbook fee in before the two week deadline.
   Saturday
- Bag of Tricks for Kid's Instructors: Spend the day with the Division's top accredited kid's instructors and expand your ability to have a great time with children while they learn to ski.
   Saturday
- Racing: Spend the day with a coach and explore some very contemporary concepts.
   Learn about setting and running GS and Slalom courses. This is not an intro to racing, appropriate protective gear is highly recommended. Saturday and Sunday

- Intro to New School Free ride: Spend the day with a new-school DECL and learn to jump, spin, grab, and rip. Participants must be comfortable in off-trail conditions and have strong skiing skills.
   Saturday and Sunday
- Carving: Spend the day learning how to tip, grip and rip on today's short design radius skis.
   Participants must have their own carving or slalom skis. If you don't have the gear, borrow or rent. Saturday and Sunday
- Steeps: Spend the day learning tactics and technique for handling the steeps from DECL's who have it wired. This is an intro course for strong skiers who would like to feel comfortable skiing and teaching on steep terrain. Saturday and Sunday
- Easy Riders: Ski with a group that can't go too slow. Spend the day with a mellow DECL and enjoy the easier runs at a mild pace. Saturday and Sunday
- Moguls: Great mogul skiers will be able to help you master the bumps. Saturday and Sunday
- ACE II Accreditation: Participants must have ACE I, be Level II certified in any discipline, and have the ACE II Workbook and the \$15.00 workbook fee in before the two week deadline. Must attend both days. Saturday/Sunday

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#### **Snowboard Topics**

#### Friday and Saturday

 Steeps Camp, specific riding/instructional techniques—must attend both days.

#### **Friday**

Stance change-ups
 Lots of riding. Bring your snowboard tool

#### Saturday

◆ Tasks vs. Demos Creative riding/creative teaching

#### Sunday

- All-Terrain "Boadercross"—Jackson Hole style
  If you can keep up, you can rally with the crew
- Out-of-Bounds
   Taking advantage of the JH open gate policy.
   Bring your BC gear.

#### **Nordic Topics**

#### Friday

- ◆ Backcountry All Disciplines-Scott McGee
- ◆ Telemark Tour and Spring Tune Up, in bounds
- ◆ Open Track Day, on your own

#### Saturday

- ◆ Telemark Tour and Spring Tune Up
- New School Telemark and Carving, with video
- ◆ Telemark Teaching Ideas and Ski Improvement
- Track and Video (Classic morning Skate afternoon)

#### Sunday

- ◆ Telemark Tour and Spring Tune Up
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### Jackson Lodging

The PSIA/AASI-I office has researched and put together the following information regarding lodging for Spring Clinic at Jackson. Some of the hotels are giving discounts and others are not.

#### The following hotels are giving discounts

#### (identify yourself as a PSIA-I member):

#### **SUPER 8**

307-733-6833 \$29.95 double occupancy Single queen, double queens, continental breakfast This is close to the junction to Teton Village

#### THE VIRGINIAN LODGE

800-262-4999

1 Standard Room: \$42 for double occupancy, \$10 extra for the 3 & 4 person Kitchenette Room: \$72.25

Jacuzzi Suites: \$97.75

This is close to the junction to Teton Village

#### RENDEZVOUS MOUNTAIN RENTALS

888-739-2565, www.rmrentals.com

These are at Teton Village-require 2 night stay 1 Bedroom: \$109.65 (sleeps 4)

2 Bedroom \$143.65 to \$191.25 3 Bedroom \$194.65 to \$211.65

Contact them regarding how many each condo

sleeps.

#### JACKSON HOLE RESERVATIONS

800-329-9205 ,www.jacksonhole.net These will all be at Teton Village Lodge Hotel Room, sleeps 2: \$89 \$95 with a deluxe cont. breakfast Lodge Studio Suite, sleeps 2-4: \$89 \$95 with a deluxe cont. breakfast 1 Bedroom Suite, sleeps 2-4: \$299 2 Bedroom Suite, sleeps 2-8: \$499

#### DAYS INN

307-733-0033

Std. Room: \$49, (2 queens or 1 king, micro., fridge) Continental breakfast, Jacuzzi open 24 hrs. Located right at the junction to Teton Village

#### **SNOW KING**

800-522-KING Deluxe room, 2 queens: \$69

This is in the town of Jackson. Beautiful rooms.

#### The following hotels are not giving discounts:

#### **MOTEL 6**

307-733-1620

Standard Room: \$40 double occupancy This is close to the junction to Teton Village

#### MILLER PARK LODGE

800-429-8873 millerparklodge.net Standard Room: \$59 Deluxe Room: \$69 (in-room Jacuzzi's & firenlaces)

In town at 155 No. Jackson Street

#### WAGON WHEEL VILLAGE

800-323-9279

Superior Room: \$55 (queen w/kitchenette, fplc.) \$55 (2 queens, jetted tub & fireplace)

2 Bedroom Suite: \$75 (1 queen, 1 dbl., 1 sgl. with jetted tub, kitchenette)

2 Bedroom Suite: \$75 (1 queen, 2 dbls., with kitchen jetted tub, fireplace)

Wyoming Suites: \$65 (large room, 2 queens, microwave, fridge, fireplace) In town near Town Square

## **Ski** Instruction Stories

Ski instructors have incurred some hilarious situations with their clients over the years. Now is the chance for instructors to share those stories and see their names in print.

Allen R. Smith, author and instructor with the Vail/Beaver Creek Ski and Snowboard School is writing a book about humor on the slopes and is looking for material from fellow instructors. His book is scheduled for publication in Fall 2004 by Classic Day Publishing.

Submissions should pertain to alpine skiing only, be short, entertaining, and no more than 750 words. Stories can pertain to fashion and clothing, ski school mishaps, equipment, kids, mountain misadventures, or anything to do with a client's alpine vacation. Instructors may also send shorter contributions including humorous quotes, observations, or anecdotes.

Smith says all contributions will be handled with the utmost sensitivity, including using fictitious names. Submissions should include the author's name, mailing address, telephone number, e-mail, and the name of the author's home resort. Authors must specify if they wish to remain anonymous and have been promised one personally autographed copy of the book for each published story. Deadline for submission is March 15, 2004.

The recommended format for submissions is Microsoft Word or RTF file but Smith will accept other formats including verbal or handwritten accounts. For story submissions and answers to questions, contact Smith at allens@vail.net or Allen R. Smith, P. O. Box 3852, Vail, CO 81658, (970) 479-9755 or (970) 390-3717. ◆



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from frostbite. Encourage people to get the best gear for *themselves*, rather than the best gear on the market. (Keep their gear from being a greater challenge than the mountain. No fun there, 'ey?)

Being sensitive to clients' affective needs is another crucial component of them having a fun day skiing. Do you carefully craft your experiences for your clients? They need to feel competent, so set things up with abundant reasons to feel good about themselves and their accomplishments. Pay careful attention to pacing things. Take breaks. Prevent the possibility of injury. Laugh, ski, practice and then rest a bit; are they exhausted already (from laughing, I hope?) Keep them hydrated (a good excuse for a break!) Pacing is an art! Pay attention to it!

Recognition and social approval are other dimensions of the affective realm. Go ahead and recognize and validate individual successes aloud to the whole group. Invite people to share their needs and wants with you and the group as these come up (this, too, assures you are student centered and enhances group dynamics.) While you're at it, invite them all back for more!

Meet your client's cognitive needs immediately since mental safety and a feeling of well being can make or break their fun. Assure them, right off, that they hit it right by falling into your care and company. Confirm that you will take them on the *best* terrain for their ability and interests. Let them know they can trust you. Be genuine. Trust and knowing that you care is *huge*. Don't fake it.

Present answers to questions before they are posed, or even thought, like: "When is lunch? Where are we going to ski? Are we going to ski THAT? Bathrooms?" Anticipate needs, but remember you cannot anticipate *everything*. Ask questions. Ask people what they want from the session and whether they are getting it.

## **Certification** Corner

By Kent Lundell, PSIA-I, AASI-I Certification Chairperson

#### It's time to make it happen.

It's time to for you to implement your plan if you are going for certification. In the month of February there are clinics, assessments, and a Park and Pipe Accreditation available. In March there are clinics and assessments. These events are early in the month and then later in the month. Be aware of the deadlines if you plan to attend one of these events. In mid April we have the final round of assessments. These April assessments are the last ones offered for this year. Get the pen out and redline your deadline dates. Remember you must have your registration form in to the office 14 days prior to the event. I hope to see you at one of these clinics or assessments.

Give people a reminder, or introduction, to Your Responsibility Code. It's not drab stuff, it's liberating; people like to know the way and etiquette of our sport. Is it not all our responsibility to keep the level of play up so everyone can go out for beer, at the end of the day?

So what makes a resort ski day fun? Memories are made from fun. The more comfortable people are, the more fun they'll have. Comfort is enhanced with good equipment, taking breaks, a good lunch, good company, and laughter.

Sounds like a no brainer, huh? Unfortunately, it's not. But then again, I could be wrong. Send 'em away wanting more and calling out your name to help them get it. Help your guests, help your business, and help the industry. Keep 'em coming so they can get into the "ski free at eighty" group whose membership, besides being 80 years old and a skier, requires the knowledge of how to have fun.—Catherine McEnroe is a Level III Alpine instructor at Alta.

## PSIA-I Nordic Team Selected

By Craig Panarisi

Hosted by Snowbird and Alta, the Intermountain Nordic Demonstration Team selections were held January 12 and 13. Five skiers were selected and will represent the Intermountain Division at the National Nordic Demonstration Team selections schedule to be held April 26-30 at Snowbird.

Congratulations to Catherine Crim, Eric Maclaughlin, Sam Palmatier, Chris Ulm and Greg Underwood. Known regionally for their active involvement in promoting Telemark and Cross Country skiing, these five individuals also possess superb teaching and skiing skills.

In addition, current Team members from the Intermountain Division James Ludlow and Scott McGee will be trying out at Snowbird in April. Jimmy and Scott both have a well-deserved reputation of "raising the bar."

Nordic Team members are required to ski Telemark, Classic, and Skating techniques as well as present on snow and indoors. Only the most well-rounded skiers and teachers qualify for a spot on the Intermountain Team. If you see any of our Nordic Team members be sure to say hello and wish them luck for the national tryouts.



## **Administrative** Report

By Allen Titensor, PSIA-I/AASI-I Administrative V.P.

#### **Budgeting challenges face Division**

Inflation and the cost of doing business have reared its ugly head in the wonderful world of winter sports instruction. During the past year the Board of Directors has struggled with several budget shortfalls causing us to cut several worthwhile educational projects. We really hate doing this as all of our hearts are in Education.

We are currently the least expensive Division in AASI / PSIA. As a Board we believe that we can stay that way with some help from the membership.

We are one of the few Divisions that receive complementary lift tickets from host Areas when we hold Divisional events (clinics, assessments etc.). As individual members we can be better at expressing our thanks to these area operators. A quick nod of appreciation to our own employers and/or a short note to a host area after attending an event would go a long way towards keeping this privilege.

We are also going to have to raise fees. We are looking at a mix of Dues and Clinic and Assessment fees. What do you think? Member input would be helpful in reaching these decisions. If you have a Board member on the staff of your School, bend their ear in the locker room. You can also e-mail us at admin@psia-i.org. We really would like to hear from you.

## **Communication** Corner

By Carl Boyer, PSIA-I, AASI-I Communication V.P.

You will be receiving by separate mailing a ballot for election to the Board of Directors for Intermountain division. This is your opportunity to ensure your interests are represented in setting the direction for the future of our professional association. Study the submissions, discuss with your peers, and then return your completed ballot in time for your selections to be considered. Take time to thank all of the candidates when you see them for willingly putting themselves forward to donate time to work on your behalf.

The office extends a sincere apology for the glitch in the recent dues billing. The statement indicated that the past year's dues were still outstanding. A few statements were mailed before the error was discovered—unfortunately after all 2000+ statements were printed. We didn't mean to trigger any strokes! The office staff crossed out the errant charges and highlighted those due, rather than scrapping the entire print run. We appreciate your forbearance as we kept the printing costs in check by using the corrected statements.

Spring Clinic is April 2-4 at Jackson Hole. I missed the last Spring Clinic there, and have been kicking myself ever since. If you haven't experienced the remarkable corn that Jackson offers in the spring (and especially if you have!) be sure to not miss this year's event! I look forward to seeing you there.

## Alpine vs. Adaptive

By Chuck Torrey

Are the two terms mutually exclusive? Both disabled and able-bodied skiers use the same skis from the same manufacturers, with the exception of biskiers who use shorter, fatter skis with a true differential side cut. The manufactured ski is expected to perform the same way for any skier. Adaptive equipment simply bridges the gap for a specified disability, enabling the skier to make proper use of the ski.

Likewise, the progression from beginning skier to world-class athlete is for the most part the same. Adaptive drills and exercises are parallel to those used in the alpine progression. Garlands, pivot slips, railroad tracks and fore and aft exercises in the adaptive realm are closely modeled after their alpine counterparts.

Adaptive skiing is evaluating a person's abilities rather than being limited by their disabilities. Focusing on abilities means putting skiers in the least restrictive environment and equipment so that they are able to experience the freedom of soaring down a mountain. With monoskiing, bucket or seat of a monoski becomes the ski boot. A monoskier has a lot of the same obstacles as an able-bodied, two-track skier and more. The same applies to all people who have a physical or cognitive disability. However, the challenges that any skier faces all distill down to the same variable: how the ski responds to the snow based on the forces applied to the ski.

Alpine instructors teach stand-up, two-track alpine skiing where the client already has his equipment. In most cases, adaptive instructors adapt to the needs of each individual with regards to the best equipment for that individual prior to getting on the snow.

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## **Making Music**

## With Your Skiing

By Jerry Warren

Skillful skiing is an art form in any sense of the word. Skillful skiing tells a story that can be soothing one minute, dynamic, powerful, and yet light the next. The physical stage of this performance experience is not consistent. It is ever changing from a soft, smooth, quiet three-dimensional surface, to a firm, rough, and rattley platform. Yet, it is this diversity that draws us to the sport and keeps us coming back. It is the vastness of slope, snow condition, technique and equipment changes that may, at times, drop us onto a performance plateau. If left on this plateau for long, the excitement that comes from physical and technical accuracy and performance improvement seems to fade.

Skiing really is simple. There is much to it and many times it can be made to seem complex and confusing. Yet, magic lies in the simplicity that can be found on the other side of complex. That is part of the art of sport and performance skiing.

It has been said, "don't let perfection, or the pursuit of it, get in the way of making music." While playing a musical instrument, you can hit every note perfectly. Everyone listening will recognize the song and might say that person is a fine cellist or piano player. And yet, the person playing the instrument may not yet really be making music if there is no emotion or change in tempo. There may be no zing when it should zing, or nothing soothing when that could be the mood that just the notes do not express.

In order to take the next step in our skiing performance, we must at times let go of trying to do everything perfectly. We must allow ourselves the power of differentiation; in other words, we must know that "if it feels the same—it is." We do not always change performance and



PSAI-I DECL and Board Member Tony Fantis skims a fun box during a DECL park and pipe training session.

make skiing music by just attempting to hit every movement note perfectly. Most of the time, it takes a bit of letting go to really make skiing movements that are visually instructive and also instructive to our feelings—feelings that are physical and emotional.

As we seek movements that are more refined or more perfect, they may become more difficult to see and feel. The shape of our turns can draw a new level of visual excitement, feeling, and understanding. The speed of our skiing, as well as the vast variety of snow

conditions and slope steepness, changes the experience too. These variations are so exciting to the observer and to the person possessing the skill that they make us want to read and experience movements.

Skiing will, in fact, become more artful, more exciting, and more fun when we learn to express ourselves more freely and thereby really feel what it's like to be light, or heavy, or quick, or smooth and graceful, or ...—Jerry Warren is PSIA/AASI Intermountain national Board representative.



Ed College participants gather at the base of Snowbasin.

## **Education College**

The Snowbasin Ed. college was great. It is good to get the season off with some input from the clinic leaders. This is information we can work on all year. If you missed this event plan on going next year. We were fortunate to have PSIA Demo Team Member Dave Lyons as one of the clinicians. I would like to thank Snowbasin management for hosting this event. Their facilities and hospitality are World class.—**Kent Lundell** 



## **2004 Spring Clinic Registration**

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#### REGISTRANT INFORMATION NAME **PHONE** FAX CITY STATE **ZIPCODE** STREET SKI SCHOOL E-MAIL ☐ CHECK IF NEW ADDRESS MEMBERSHIP NUMBER INDICATE DISCIPLINE FOR THIS EVENT YOUR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP STATUS ☐ Entry Level ☐ Level II ☐ Level III ☐ Level III ☐ Alpine ☐ Snowboard □ Nordic □ Adapted PLEASE LIST EACH SPRING CLINIC TOPIC DAY/DATE **CLINIC TOPIC FROM SCHEDULE** COST 4/2 FRIDAY TOPIC \* 4/3 SATURDAY TOPIC \* 4/3 BANQUET ATTENDING? ☐ YES 4/3 ADDIT'L BANQUET \$25 SPOUSE/FRIEND BANQUET 4/4 SUNDAY TOPIC \* \* The \$125 package price of the Spring Clinic includes 2 clinic days with a clinic leader, 1 free ski/ride day on your own, and 1 banquet ticket. You may include a third clinic topic with a clinic leader for an additional \$35 and an additional banquet for \$25. PARTICIPANTS MUST ATTEND A FULL CLINIC DAY TO RECEIVE CLINIC CREDIT PARTICIPANTS WILL NOT EARN CLINIC CREDIT IF THEY LEAVE A CLINIC EARLY. Required clinic attendance credits are designed to ensure our profession Maintains a high standard of continuing education. COST TOTAL COST: PAYMENT METHOD: Cash/Check/MO ☐ Visa ☐ Am. Express ☐ MasterCard ☐ Discover 2 clinic days,1 free ski/ride \$125.00 day plus Banquet Account Number: Guest Banquet ticket only \$25.00 Exp. Date: Please bill my credit card. Signature: RELEASE , have requested to attend the Professional Ski Instructor of America Intermountain Division (hereafter "PSIA-I") or American Association of Snowboard Instructors (hereafter "AASI") education or certification function led by a PSIA-I or AASI designated clinic leader or examiner (hereafter "Event Facilitators"). As a professional ski or snowboard instructor or experienced skier or snowboarder requesting participation in this event I fully understand and accept sole responsibility for my personal safety, behavior, and performance. I am fully aware of the risks of skiing and snowboarding associated with this event, including the possibility of serious injury and death, and release and forever discharge PSIA-I and AASI, their officers, directors, employees, facilitators, agents, member ski areas, sponsors, and all persons from any and all claims, injuries, damages, expenses, or actions arising from or related to my participation in the PSIA-I or AASI sponsored event and under no circumstances or eventuality will suit be filed against PSIA-I or AASI, their officers, directors, employees, facilitators, agents, member ski areas, or sponsors for any injuries resulting from participation in this program. I also agree to incorporate by reference all the provisions of the Utah Risk of Skiing Act (when applicable), and Your Responsibility Code as endorsed by the Professional Ski Instructors of America. I have fully read and voluntarily agree to the above terms and conditions. Registrant signature (your signature also verifies that you are over 18 years old) Date

Mail or Fax your completed registration form to: TELEPHONE REGISTRATIONS CAN NOT BE ACCEPTED

PSIA Intermountain Division 7105 South Highland Dr. #201 Salt Lake City, UT 84121 Fax: 801 942-7837 e-mail: admin@psia-i.org

Completed registration form and payment must be in the Division office at least 2-weeks prior to the event date. Postmarks not accepted. REFUNDS: Notice given office before deadline, 100%; notice after deadline but before event, 50%; no notice given before event NO REFUND



#### It's Classified

All PSIA-I/AASI-I members in good standing may receive one free classified ad per season.

WANTED—BLUE PIN from around the early 1070s. Will pay reasonable amount. Contact Scott Irwin at (801) 278-0845 or e-mail me at scott.irwin3@ comcast.net.

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SKI AND WATCH LE TOUR DE FRANCE LIVE this spring. Les 2 Alpes, site of the premier 2002 Tour mountain stage, is home to the Les 2 Alpes Summer Ski Camp. Visit www.summerskicamp.com for more information, e-mail sc\_huve@yahoo.com, or call Gerard Huve at 202 338-0079. Gerard is a PSIA-I member and a university French professor.

SKI AND LIVE IN THE ALPS! The Armed Forces Recreation Center located in the Bavarian Alps of Garmisch, Germany has been the vacation wonderland for U.S. Service Members and their families stationed in Europe since 1946. Representatives from AFRC Europe will be in the U.S.interviewing people interested in working at our resort in early April 2004. For more information and a look at our resort and hiring arrangements check our website at www.AFRCEurope.com. We will be searching for staff for our 2004-2005 winter season. Our snowsports school is a member of PSIA/AASI Northern Rocky Mt. Division. Seasonal positions will be available for ski and snowboard instructors, resort hotel attendants, ski lodge attendants, equipment issue, and food and beverage posi-

tions. An informational briefing will be offered along with interviews and on-snow tryouts for instructor candidates. Some positions may be extended for the summer season. Garmisch is a beautiful year round resort and the Grand Opening of our new 341 room hotel in September 2004 promises many opportunities for hard working individuals. The Garmisch Resort sits at the base of the Zugspitze, Germany's highest mountain and home of the 1936 winter Olympics. Some hotel positions are still available for this coming summer season. Interested people should contact Leigh Plowman at Iplowman@afrc.garmisch.army.mil or Neil Moore at nmoore@afrc.garmisch.army.mil Or phone 011 49 172 9558227 for more information and a schedule of interview dates.

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Once on the snow, every instructor is teaching skiing.

For these reasons, it would benefit adaptive instructors to take some alpine, snowboard, and Nordic clinics, and for alpine, Nordic and snowboard instructors to take some adaptive clinics. We can all learn from one another, and expand our snowsports knowledge by realizing that we all ride the same slopes.—Chuck Torrey is PSIA/AASI Intermountain Adaptive Manager



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