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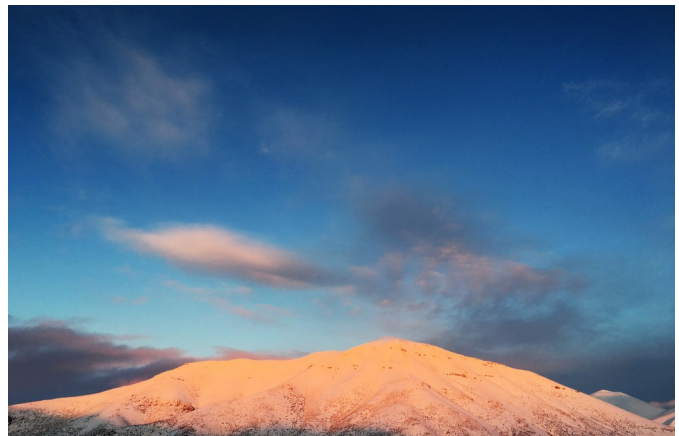
## NI Governance Update

### The Future of Northern Intermountain with an Eye on Governance

Our partnership with the National office of PSIA-AASI and affiliation with other divisions has increased our awareness and unity of the three C's: Communication, Collaboration, and Consolidation. This helps to guide us to work together in order to achieve success with the leadership of our Executive Director and Committees, as well as our Operations Team. Our partnership with National is what creates opportunities within our divisions to provide benefits to our members. The Northern Intermountain Division of PSIA-AASI continues to evolve and align with National on all fronts.

One of the biggest initiatives our division is taking on this year is a review and rewrite of our current bylaws and policies and procedures. This is being done in part with an emphasis on becoming a division that leads through policy governance.

Governance in and of itself is a means of governing that helps to advance the organization in its mission through sound decisions by providing strategic leadership. Policy governance defines relationships between the organization members, its board of directors and its operations staff. The end result is seeing to it that the organization achieves what it should and avoids unacceptable situations. The NI Board's primary relationship is with the organizations' ownership, YOU, the members. NI's goal is to ensure that the system enables the board to



provide leadership in creating the future of our organization.

The board has enlisted a Policy Governance consultant in this process of review and rewrite. Sherry Jennings of Sound Governance works closely with the Executive Director and National Staff on Policy Governance. She has facilitated the Northwest Division's bylaws and policies and procedures rewrite. She has provided much insight as to how we as a board should provide leadership to accomplish our own set of the three C's as a means to lead. The purpose of the initiative is to align our governance documents with how we are currently operating and prepare us for the future. Ensuring well-written governance documents creates the Board's connection with our organization's ultimate potential and helps us operate more efficiently and effectively. The end result will be to enable sound decision making practices to our members with the future in mind. We hope to bring the revised bylaws and policies and procedures in front of the general membership as early as the first quarter of 2019.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Operations Staff, we look forward to your support of this initiative and thank you for all your work and commitment to making this a great division.

By Fernando Veloz  
 President PSIA-AASI Northern Intermountain Division,  
 Bogus Basin Resort

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## President's Letter

### The Job of the Bridge Builder

I recently had the honor of attending the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Bogus Basin Bridge Builders dinner in September. This year's dinner honored individuals who have made extraordinary and enduring contributions to Bogus Basin. These individuals have worked hard to ensure that Bogus Basin remains a treasure within the community. When I stop to think about what our job as a professional organization does to inspire individuals, I think about our vision statement: "To create lifelong adventure through education."

We as professional ski and snowboard instructors of America are, in essence, "bridge builders," in that we build a bridge through the education process to help individuals attain wintertime enjoyment. We have worked our way through the ranks of professional certification to enable us to facilitate movement patterns and through the use of body mechanics, help ease a student's tension of being on snow. We work through challenges to create confidence in these students who are looking to be able to ski or snowboard. These challenges we face in teaching can be overcome from the education process that we go through that enables us to see the big picture in teaching. We help students overcome their fears of being on snow, and in essence, build that bridge to enjoy their wintertime activities. This is our contribution to the mountain in that we educate individuals on snow so they can enjoy Bogus Basin for years to come. We inspire them through our teaching to become more proficient in their ability which in turn is a confidence builder. We in turn, enrich their

lives when it comes to wintertime enjoyment and their outdoor involvement. So, in essence, we are "bridge builders."

Speaking of education, there are many opportunities both on snow and online to facilitate the education process. Your Division Chairs are busy putting the final training calendar together and posting it online so that we are all able to attain the educational credits that we need. The training calendar is available at [www.psia-ni.org](http://www.psia-ni.org), and has all disciplines listed. In addition to exam preparation and certification, there are also classes for on-hill clinics that will help you maintain credit as well. Plus, if you go to [thesnowpros.org](http://thesnowpros.org), there are additional online education videos you can view for credit. If you need additional assistance, one of the many benefits that PSIA-AASI Northern Intermountain offers is scholarships to assist in the education process. As a professional organization, we do our best to ensure member education and to ensure that as instructors we can continue to bridge our abilities to get us to that next level of teaching or breaking through the next level of skiing or snowboarding. Whatever your need is, we work hard to ensure you have the means to achieve success. After all, the organization cannot be successful without you, our professional members who work to inspire success on the mountain.

"Whatever the mind can conceive and believe, it can achieve." — Napoleon Hill, *Think and Grow Rich: A Black Choice*

By Fernando Veloz  
President PSIA-AASI Northern Intermountain  
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## NI News

### Pathway to NI Children's Specialist Trainer (CST) CDCT and CDCL REVISED

#### Announcement & Application:

The pathway for Children's Divisional Clinician Trainee (CDCT) and Children's Divisional Clinician Leader (CDCL) will be posted on the NI website, and links to the pathway will, from time to time, be in the newsletter. To gather information and make inquiries, contact the NI Executive Staff and Children's Chair. Contact information can be found on NI website: [www.psia-ni.org](http://www.psia-ni.org)

#### Requirements to qualify:

- Current member of PSIA-AASI, in good standing
- Current Discipline Certification Level 3
- Current CS2
- Current Discipline DCT/DCL status

#### Pathway to CDCT & from CDCT to CDCL:

Eligible candidates are encouraged to contact the NI Children's Chair. An on snow interview with the current children's divisional staff will be scheduled. Successful candidates will be invited to become CDCTs, and will shadow CS clinics and exams for one to two years, or longer, if needed. The CDCT may be asked to participate by leading a part of a prep clinic.

Required\* number of clinics to shadow is (\* number may be adjusted by Chair, on case by case basis):

- 1 CS1 Prep Clinic
- 1 CS2 Prep Clinic
- 1 CS1 Assessment
- 1 CS2 Exam

After the shadowing requirement has been met, the CDCT may become a CDCL.

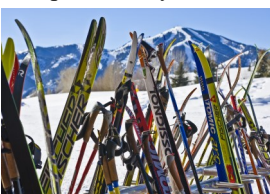
CDCTs and CDCLs will be expected to attend fall and spring NI Ed Staff Training and fill out all paperwork needed to assume these roles.

The NI Children's Chair will oversee the entire process.

For more detailed information, please contact:  
Jani Sutherland, NI Children's Education Chair

### NI Nordic Chair Position

Northern Intermountain is currently seeking to fulfill the Nordic Chair Position. This individual will provide high quality educational resources and well-defined standards to aid our members in improving their teaching skills to better satisfy the safety, enjoyment, skill needs and expectations of their customers and guests in the enjoyment of winter sports. They will uphold Northern Intermountain PSIA/AASI vision and mission and support our members, as a part of the snowsports industry. Job qualifications require and are not limited to DCL status or greater, are a current PSIA/AASI-NI member, and are currently employed full or part time at a PSIA/AASI member SnowSports School. For full job description details, please visit: <http://www.psia-ni.org> and click on "Job Board."



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### Scholarship Opportunities

The Northern Intermountain division is excited to be offering various scholarships through the PSIA/AASI-NI Education Foundation. Any PSIA/AASI-NI member in good standing (both membership and continuing education) is eligible to apply. The Education Scholarship is designed to provide financial assistance to any snowsports instructor who is seeking to further their career by taking events including taking a clinic, an accreditation, or an exam in the Northern Intermountain division. Scholarships are available for all disciplines including Alpine, Snowboard, Adaptive, Children's and Nordic events. The Education Scholarship does not award money for annual membership dues in PSIA/AASI.

To apply for a scholarship, members can go to the PSIA/AASI-NI website and navigate to the resources tab to complete the online application or print off the application form, fill it out, and mail the application along with a letter of recommendation from your ski school director, supervisor, or mentor from your ski school. All applications need to be turned in 30 days prior to your event. If you have questions about the scholarships, please contact Angela Jarvis-Division Secretary. Mail your application to:

PSIA-NI Attn: Education Foundation  
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### NI Awards: Nomination/Selection Process and Eligibility Criteria:

Help recognize those NI members who have had a positive impact on you, your school, our organization and snowsports as an industry! If you know someone with infectious enthusiasm for instructing, a giving individual who has committed hours to an extensive NI project, and is a role model with a long-time history with the association, then take a moment to nominate them to receive an award.

Nominations must be submitted in writing (email or print) to the Division Secretary. Any member of PSIA-AASI-NI, in good standing, may make nominations. Include any and all information, plus contact information, should there be any clarification or further elaboration necessary. Deadline for nominations will be March 15. The Division Secretary reviews the nominations, conducts necessary research, and submits the nominations to the Board for approval. NI Division Awards:

#### ***Instructor of the Season***

Eligibility: Any active member of PSIA-AASI-NI, in good standing.

Criteria: A member who has made an exceptional contribution to PSIA-AASI-NI as a teacher, coach or leader and has been an extraordinary role model as a professional.

Award: Plaque, Membership Dues (National and Divisional) for 1 year.

#### ***Rookie of the Season***

Eligibility: Any active member in their first year as a snowsports instructor.

Criteria: A member who has made an exceptional contribution and impression in their first season with PSIA-AASI-NI as a teacher, coach or leader. This award goes to someone who has demonstrated superior ability, aptitude and inspiration to snowsports education in their first season as an instructor. It's a great way to recognize a rising superstar.

Award: Plaque, Membership Dues (Divisional) for 1 year.

#### ***Northern Intermountain Hall of Fame: Lex Kunau Legends Award***

Eligibility: Any member of PSIA-AASI-NI - active, or alumni, with more than 25 years in the Association. The award may be given posthumously.

Criteria: This award recognizes those senior members in good standing who give a life long commitment to the development and/or history of snowsports including instructing, service on the board of directors, writing technical or feature articles for publications, etc.

Award: Plaque.

### PSIA-AASI Awards Program

The Awards and Recognition Committee is comprised of a combination of 8 at-large and National Board members, from all 8 Divisions. The committee is charged with getting the word out about the 6 national awards, to our Division Boards, Member Schools, and you, our membership! The committee also curates and evaluates the current awards--in language and scope, reviews nominations to make recommendations to the National Board, and looks to the future for ways to recognize our membership. Information about the awards, including nomination deadlines, can be found on the website, at the following location:  
<http://www.thesnowpros.org/awardsandrecognition>

## NI News Cont'd

### WELCOME! New Member Schools

We are thrilled to welcome new member schools to Northern Intermountain Division: Magic Mountain Resort, Adaptive Wilderness Sports of McCall (AWeSOME!), and Bogus Basin Ski Education Foundation (BBSEF).

To our new colleagues—welcome!

### Magic Mountain Resort



Magic Mountain is a super fun “locals” hill about one hour southeast of Twin Falls. With three lifts, 11 trails, a vertical rise of 740’, and 230” of snow every year, Magic is the perfect place for experienced and new skiers and riders to hone their craft. The ski/ride school at Magic is small but active—with many of their winter sports athletes coming to them without experience, they teach a fair number of beginners. If you’re thinking, “No way—there can’t be a ski/board mountain southeast of Twin,” well, it’s an awesome place with great people who love winter sports as much as anyone in the NI. [www.magicmountainresort.com](http://www.magicmountainresort.com)

### Adaptive Wilderness Sports of McCall (AWeSOME!)

AWeSOME! is a non-profit organization whose mission is to empower people of all abilities through high quality outdoor experiences. AWeSOME! works in conjunction with Brundage Mountain Resort to offer ski and snowboard lessons for people with disabilities. The program provides specialized adaptive equipment and teaching techniques to accommodate people with any type of disability. For more information: [www.awesomemccall.org](http://www.awesomemccall.org) (All above information taken from [www.brundage.com](http://www.brundage.com))



### Bogus Basin Ski Education Foundation (BBSEF)



BBSEF was founded in 1967, to provide training and competition programs for aspiring young ski racers. Today BBSEF has grown to include freeski, snowboard and mountain bike programs. BBSEF provides programs for ages 6 -19 who want to compete in alpine ski racing, freeskiing & snowboarding and an alpine masters program for adults. BBSEF mission aims to provide competitive Alpine, Freeski, and Snowboard programs for the youth of the Treasure Valley; encourage athletes to achieve their academic and athletic goals while learning sportsmanship, building self-esteem, developing a strong work ethic and creating a lifelong love of an active lifestyle. For more detailed information: [www.bbsef.org](http://www.bbsef.org) (All above information taken from [www.bbsef.org](http://www.bbsef.org))

### NI Extraordinary Educational Opportunities Coming your Way this Season:

**Spend a day Sliding with PSIA-AASI Board of Directors**—Sunday, January 13th. In an effort to build relationships and interact with the different divisions, the PSIA/AASI Board of Directors invites Northern Intermountain membership and division leadership to spend the day at Sun Valley sliding with board members. (Specific details posted online Event Calendar.)

**National Cross Country Team Member Emily Lovett Coming to NI**—January 24th - 27th, Sun Valley. Emily will be offering Classic and Skate Skiing Skier Improvements, administering a Cross Country Level 1 Exam, and Sunday’s clinic offerings will entail a sessions of Classic and Skate Skiing, and will be open to membership and the public. (Specific details posted online EC.)

**NI Children’s Symposium Clinics**—January 28th - 31st. Northern Intermountain will be hosting it’s second annual Children’s Symposium with National Alpine Team Member Dusty Dyar as the guest clinician! (Specific details to be announced.)

**Snow Safety Educational Clinic**—This clinic offering would be a 1-day event aiming to introduce snow safety to participants, both NI instructors and ski patrollers. The clinicians will be an avalanche patroller and NI DCL with avalanche training, focusing on the basic fundamentals of snow safety. (Stay tuned for date, location, and specific details.)

## National News

### CONGRATULATIONS! 2017-18 PSIA/AASI Angus Graham Rising Star Award Recipient: Christian Luening



It all started in the spring of 1983, in Squaw Valley, CA. “I believe I was around 18 months—yes, I’ve always been big. The next season, I was sliding on my own, at Squaw again. We moved to southern Germany and I did some ‘ski racing’ in Austria, until I was around 6. When we moved back to Houston, TX, we spent most vacations, like good Texans, at Beaver Creek, CO. I loved going back, year after year to ski with the same instructors and groups of kids...Fast forward to July 2012, when my wife and I moved to Boise and I started working at the Bogus Basin Ski and Snowboard School that first winter.”

When Christian and his wife were looking to relocate from Gainesville, FL, Boise was on their short list of possibilities. “Looking for a town that had mountains with skiing and outdoor living in close proximity, a solid rugby club, and a town with a population that wasn’t too big or too small,” Boise won the coin toss. They loaded their gear and headed west, sight-unseen. Christian was hoping to establish a career track in outdoor recreation so he worked real estate to support his passion on the slopes, until he acquired a year-round position at Bogus. “Now I’m continuing to develop my plans, to include growing a recreation area into a year-round place.” Boise and Bogus Basin, clearly have been the perfect fit!

Christian is an exceptional individual, dedicated instructor, and his list of accomplishments in the snowsports industry are many in a short period of time. Between the years 2015 to current, his quest for knowledge and education outside of being a ski and snowboard instructor and trainer at his home resort has been unprecedented. Christian pursued and passed his CS1 and CS2, FS1, Alpine Level 3, and then became a NI Children’s Division Clinic Leader and Examiner. His personal and professional pursuits did not stop there becoming an Alpine Division Clinic Leader and Examiner in Training for NI this past season. He attended every clinic he could to further his knowledge.

In 2015, Christian was elected to the Board of Directors of PSIA-AASI-NI and currently serves as Vice President. As an active member of NI’s Divisional Children’s Team, he is also on the National Children’s Task Force. And he was recently

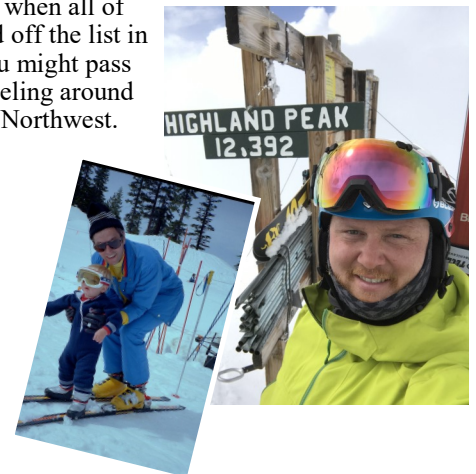
selected within NI to serve on the National Awards Committee for PSIA-AASI. It was one of his co-committee members who nominated Christian for this well-deserved award. They quickly recognized Christian’s insatiable thirst for knowledge, contributions to the industry in various facets, dedication to guest service, and contagious enthusiasm for leaving everything he interacts with better.



Currently, Christian works at Bogus as the Mountain Coaster Manager, is an instructor and trainer for the ski and snowboard school, and his latest undertaking is as a North Series Coach for Bogus Basin Ski Education Foundation. He is pursuing his US Ski and Snowboard (formally USSA) Level 100 going through the online modules with the on snow component in early December. “Once certified in PSIA/AASI’s partner in domestic snowsports education and as a North Series Coach with BBSEF, I look to bring a focus on strong skiing fundamentals in helping to develop U10 and U12 athletes. I look forward to continuing to help Bogus Basin grow into a year-round recreation resource for the communities of the Treasure Valley and Southern Idaho. Kristin and I have found our ‘goldilocks zone’ in Boise and are excited about the future here.”

When not on the hill, his goal is to find “a harmonious work/life balance!” So, you’ll find him spending time with his wife, Kristin; dog, Hurley; and cat, Mister. He also still works part-time in residential real estate with Group One Sotheby’s International Realty. And when all of the above are checked off the list in his busy schedule, you might pass the young couple traveling around Idaho and the Pacific Northwest.

Christian is not just a “rising star,” rather a rising FORCE! A lifelong learner, exceptional role model, and undoubtedly rising star, we CONGRATULATE you on your merited award!



### The New Teaching SnowSports Manual is Here

Regardless of your teaching discipline or lesson specialty, you can start the 2018-19 season with a brand-new educational resource that helps you create the ultimate learning environment. PSIA-AASI’s *Teaching Snowsports Manual* is full of practical teaching applications, focusing on the Learning Connection framework of people skills, teaching skills, and technical skills that make a well-balanced instructor. (thesnowpros.org).

## Articles from the Experts

### Feeling the Sensations in the Bottom of the Feet

“Skiing is done with the feet and ankles. The rest of the body is supportive.” —Harold Harb. I have taught and studied skiing for a while now. I have come to the conclusion that TOUCH and FEEL in the feet is one of the most important aspects a person can have to become a proficient skier. Feeling in the bottom and/or sides of the feet directly relates to the ability to balance our center of mass over, or in line with our base of support. Tuning into where we feel pressure in our feet through different phases of the turn is a critical component of balancing over or in-line with the ski. Let’s relate the feelings/sensations in the feet to the five fundamental movements we have in skiing.

1.) Control the regulation of the C of M to the base of support to direct pressure along the length of the ski.  
*How do we know if we are further forward or backward from center?* By feeling where we are heaviest in the bottom of the feet. If we are forward, we are going to feel more pressure on the front part of the feet or balls of the feet. If we are back we are going to feel more pressure on the back portion of the feet or the back of the arch, just ahead of the heel.

2.) Control pressure from ski to ski and direct pressure toward the outside ski.  
*How do we know which ski has more pressure?* If we are in transition and balanced, equally pressuring both skis, we are going to feel pressure in the bottom of both feet equally for a brief instant. As we direct pressure towards the outside ski we will feel more pressure in the bottom and side of the outside foot through the turn. As our balance migrates from the downhill ski through neutral to the new downhill ski the pressure sensations in the bottom of the feet migrate across as well.

3.) Control edge angles through a combination of inclination and angulation.  
*How do we create edging movements?* By moving laterally to balance against the forces that act on the skis when they are tipped onto edge. Inclination and angulation are terms that are commonly used to describe body movements relative to edge control. We can feel this in our feet by feeling the outside of one foot and the inside of the other.

4.) Control the skis rotation (turning, steering, pivoting) with leg rotation separate from the upper body.  
*How do we control the skis rotation?* Through leg rotation, whole body rotation, or a combination. We can feel the results of these movements through sensations in the bottom and sides of the feet. If the skis are on a higher edge angle we will be turning and the built-in radius of the ski will aid in dictating the shape of the turn. We will feel more of the sides of our feet. If we modulate the edge angle we can steer the skis to a desired turn shape. We will feel more of the whole foot if we flatten the ski. With very little edge angle we can pivot the skis and we will feel more the bottoms of the feet. Foot sensations will migrate from the sides of the feet to the bottom of the feet as edge angle decreases.

5.) Regulate the magnitude of pressure through ski snow interaction.  
*How do we regulate the magnitude of pressure?* You guessed it! Through sensations in the bottom of the feet. We flex and extend to regulate the pressure to the bottom of the feet. We feel more pressure in the bottom of the feet as we extend and less as we flex. As the ski bends with the interaction of the snow and terrain feel sensations migrate through the feet from the toes to the back of the arch. For example, skiing a series of rollers we feel a heavy sensation in the feet as we extend in the bottom and a light sensation in the feet as we flex at the top of the roller. A balanced skier can flex or extend freely to maintain ski snow contact.

“The more sensitive the skier is to feedback provided by pressure sensations in the bottom of the feet, the more balancing becomes instinctual.”—John Clendenin

By Mike Erlebach (*Special thanks to Loren Livermore for input on this article.*)  
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### Quick Tip To Better Carving

While blending of turning and tipping is the ideal, this Quick Tip is focused on tipping the feet to acquire the edges. A simple exercise line may be used to achieve the desired outcome without much overthinking. Start with a good athletic stance in a straight run on very mellow terrain, no poles to start with. Place a couple of fingers of the inside hand on the outside half of the inside quad. For example: if a right turn is in progress place the right fingers at the right front of the right quad. Bend the inside knee and flex the quad muscles to press fingers toward the inside ski tip. If pressure is directed laterally ski divergence will occur – NO SIDEWAYS PRESSURE! Take a little peek down

and notice both skis are on the uphill edges. Done properly the inside ankle will bend and tip toward the little toe edge (a diagonal move.) A side benefit of tipping the inside ski in this manner is the outside foot and ankle will magically mimic the move and tip on to the big toe edge. Try a few in each direction. As the feeling of tipping becomes more natural place the inside hand into skiing position (even use poles if desired) but imagine pressing the inside hand toward the inside ski tip. At this point it is just a matter of practice on progressively more challenging terrain. Enjoy the carve and look for those knife edge track.

By Loren Livermore  
NI DCL, Brundage Mountain



## Inspiration for the 2018-19 Season



### It's Time to Engage!

It is an age-old tale. The summer winds down, we put away our boats and bikes waiting for the leaves to turn. We get excited by the first morning we can see our breath, and we start to anticipate the next season approaching. Fall is a time of year that brings excitement to many snowsports enthusiasts. The upcoming season brings up memories of the past: that last signature turn, that bluebird day with fresh snow, the perfect corduroy run. We start to anticipate what the season may hold. Will it be another monumental year? Is there going to be an abundance of powder days? Only time will tell.

One thing we can set our calendars by is our ability to continue our snowsports education. With the modern advancements in technology, PSIA/AASI is proud to be introducing new tools and resources for us, the members, to have access to. With the touch of a button, we now have the ability to listen, watch, and interact with so many other snowsports enthusiasts throughout not only our division, but all of the nation. With the E-learning courses rolling out, National is removing boundaries of access. As an organization, PSIA/AASI is so confident in their material, they are even letting people access some of the information complimentary. With all this in mind, the time is now to ENGAGE! Talk about us; the good, the bad, and the ugly. Give feedback to your local PSIA/AASI representatives, ask the hard questions, take chairlift rides with one of your mentors.

It is interesting that as we progress with so much access to technology to spark wonderful, engaging conversations with each other, and yet, seemingly we choose to retract into our own worlds... Disengaging from one of, if not the most important aspects of snowsports; creating new relationships with other snowsports enthusiasts. Let's face it, that untouched powder stash, that perfect turn, that epic 360, or even that best day ever, improves when you get to share it.

As we look through the calendars, setup our gear for the season, and talk amongst ourselves about what we want to do this season, I implore YOU to change it up a little. Get outside your normal riding and skiing buddies, try a new tactic for teaching or even in your own riding and skiing. Help a new instructor without being asked. Let's explore together, not separately.

As always, BRING THE STOKE!!!!

By Jake Bolin  
NI Snowboard Certification & Freestyle Chair, Tamarack Resort

### Remembering Mike Hughes

Our "Magic Mike," the Lion of the Mountain, passed away on June 20, 2018.

Mike Hughes was born on Aug. 20, 1928, in New Britain, Conn., to parents Raymond Hughes and Julia Jones Hughes. From an early age, Mike paved his own way and became a lifelong ski instructor. Over his 70-year career he taught thousands of skiers—from Stowe, Vt., to Portillo, Chile, and finally to his beloved Sun Valley, which he called his permanent home. In 2018, he received a plaque from the Sun Valley Ski School commemorating 50 years of service.

In his early years, he was nicknamed "Iron Mike" for his spectacular waterskiing abilities. At one time, he made a record distance jump of 138 feet! On Sun Valley's Bald Mountain, his name transitioned from "Iron Mike" to "Magic Mike," as he took countless skiers, at every level, and transformed their abilities. What he instilled in thousands of students was often almost miraculous, hence the name, "Magic Mike." Mike's humor, storytelling and his ability to bring excitement to every experience is what set him apart. Mike loved what he did, did what he loved, and never worked a day in his life. He skied not for money or glory but to impart his uncanny insight for improving technique and his skill for teaching the sport he so dearly loved. He also will be fondly remembered at Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, as the spectacular Irish tenor that always sat in the front row.

Mike's old friend, U.S. Ski Team legend Marv Moriarity, recently recalled fond memories of their days in Stowe, Vt., in the early '60s, with skiing "greats" Penny Pitou and Betsy Snite, stating that Mike's enthusiasm and style could certainly be called "flamboyant." Marv later visited Mike in Sun Valley as their circle of skiing buddies also included local skiing icon Nonie Foley.

Mike—your countless friends and family will always remember their newly acquired skills and the resultant joy you brought to their lives. You will be dearly missed by everyone who had the opportunity to experience the "magic" you created on the snow.



By Tony Parkhill  
SnowSports Director, Sun Valley



## Calendar of Events

### 2018-2019 Northern Intermountain Certification/Assessment Events

*Note that dates and locations can change. Please see the calendar online for full list of events including educational clinics, and continue to review the calendar online as events could be updated prior to registration.*

*Event registration closes 7 days prior to an education clinic and 14 days prior to a certification exam.*

*Exams - \$110 / Day*

*Education clinics - \$55 / Day*

DATE	DISCIPLINE	EVENT	COST	LOCATION	CLINICIAN
<b>DECEMBER</b>					
12/14/2018	Snowboard	Level 1 Exam	\$55	TBD	
12/14/2018	Kids	CS1 Prep	\$55	Sun Valley	
<b>JANUARY</b>					
1/7/2019	Kids	CS1 Prep	\$55	Bogus Basin	
1/9/2019	Cross Country	Level 1 Prep		Sun Valley	Steve Haims
1/11/2019	Kids	CS1 Prep	\$55	SunValley	
1/13/2019	All Disciplines	Slide w/ PSIA/AASI Board of Directors	No Cost	Sun Valley	See invite for details.
1/21/2019	Kids	CS2 Prep	\$55	Bogus Basin	
1/22/2019	Kids	CS2 Prep	\$55	TBD	
1/22-24/2019	Adaptive	Alpine Level 1Exam	\$330	TBD	
1/24-27/2019	Cross Country	Emily Lovett Team Member Clinics	TBD	Sun Valley/ Bogus Basin	Emily Lovett
1/25/2019	Kids	CS1 Assessment	\$55	Sun Valley	
1/26/2019	Cross Country	Level 1 Exam		Sun Valley	Emily Lovett
1/27/2019	Kids	CS1 Prep	\$55	Brundage	
1/28-31/2019	Kids	NI Children's Symposium Clinics	TBD	TBD	Dusty Dyar
<b>FEBRUARY</b>					
2/1/2019	Kids	CS1 Prep	\$55	Sun Valley	
2/2/2019	Alpine	Level 2 Ski Prep	\$55	Tamarack	
2/2/2019	Alpine	Level 3 Ski Prep	\$55	Tamarack	
2/3/2019	Alpine	Level 2 Teach Prep	\$55	Tamarack	
2/3/2019	Alpine	Level 3 Teach Prep	\$55	Tamarack	
2/4/2019	Snowboard	Level 1 Exam	\$55	TBD	
2/4/2019	Kids	CS1 Assessment	\$55	Bogus Basin	
2/8/2019	Cross Country	Level 2/3 Prep	\$55	TBD	
2/8/2019	Kids	CS1 Assessment	\$55	Sun Valley	

## Calendar of Events Cont'd

2/9/2019	Alpine	Level 2 Ski Prep	\$55	Sun Valley
2/9/2019	Alpine	Level 3 Ski Prep	\$55	Sun Valley
2/10/2019	Alpine	Level 2 Teach Prep	\$55	Sun Valley
2/10/2019	Alpine	Level 3 Teach Prep	\$55	Sun Valley
2/18/2019	Snowboard	Level 1 Exam	\$55	TBD
2/18/2019	Snowboard	Level 2 Teach/ Technical Prep	\$55	Tamarack
2/18/2019	Snowboard	Level 3 Teach/ Technical Prep	\$55	Tamarack
2/19/2019	Snowboard	Level 2 Ride Prep	\$55	Tamarack
2/19/2019	Snowboard	Level 3 Ride Prep	\$55	Tamarack
2/24/2019	Kids	CS1 Assessment	\$55	Brundage
2/25-26/2019	Kids	CS2 Assessment	\$110	TBD
<b>MARCH</b>				
3/1/2019	Kids	CS1 Assessment	\$55	Sun Valley
3/4-5/2019	Kids	CS2 Assessment	\$110	Bogus Basin
3/4/2019	Alpine	Level 2 Ski Exam	\$110	TBD
3/5/2019	Alpine	Level 2 Teach Exam	\$110	TBD
3/6-8/2019	Alpine/Senior	Senior Specialist Assessment	TBD	TBD
3/9/2019	Alpine	Level 2 Ski Exam	\$110	Tamarack
3/9/2019	Alpine	Level 3 Ski Exam	\$110	Tamarack
3/10/2019	Alpine	Level 2 Teach Exam	\$110	Tamarack
3/10/2019	Alpine	Level 3 Teach Exam	\$110	Tamarack
3/11/2019	Alpine	Level 3 Teach Exam	\$110	TBD
3/12/2019	Alpine	Level 3 Ski Exam	\$110	TBD
3/18/2019	Snowboard	Level 2 Ride Exam	\$110	Tamarack
3/18/2019	Snowboard	Level 3 Ride Exam	\$110	Tamarack
3/19/2019	Snowboard	Level 2 Teach/ Technical Exam	\$110	Tamarack
3/19/2019	Snowboard	Level 3 Teach/ Technical Exam	\$110	Tamarack
3/23-25/2019	Adaptive	Adaptive Snowboard Level 1 Exam	\$330	TBD
3/23/2019	Adaptive	Adaptive Alpine Level 1 Exam	\$330	TBD
<b>APRIL</b>				
4/12-14/2019	All Disciplines	Spring Symposium	\$130/day	Sun Valley

# PSIA AASI

## Spring Symposium @ Sun Valley Northern Intermountain, Northwest, and Intermountain Divisions

WHEN: April 12, 2019 – April 14, 2019 all-day

WHERE: Sun Valley, ID

COST: \$130 per day

### Event Specific Info:

*Tickets*—Special discount tickets for participants

*Credits*—1-Season credit per day

*Prerequisite*—PSIA/AASI Membership

*Registration*—Online and Off-line registration details coming soon.

### Event Details:

End of the season celebration with some of your closest friends and snowsports family. We're ready to put the icing on the cake with this end of the season bash with our neighboring divisions of Northwest and Intermountain and ski buddies!

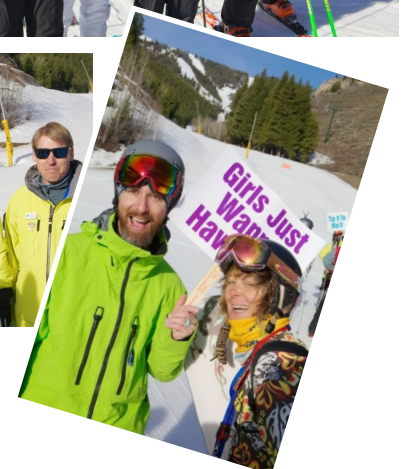
This two-day educational extravaganza (three if you participate in the for fun clinic offered Friday) showcases. NI, NW and other talented clinicians in a myriad of topic choices, ranging from everything under the sun, pun intended. And it's also the best time to honor our long time members and award recipients at the Awards Banquet.

### Awards Banquet and Silent Auction and Raffle:

For those of you who have not yet been to Symposium, we have various check-in times and during those, your opportunity to buy some raffle tickets! We also hold a silent auction the hour before the Awards Banquet, and there are some fantastic items available as well. It's all for a great cause, supporting the Education Foundation, a 501c3. If you have something you would like to donate to the Auction or Raffle, please contact Deann Miller:

[deanntamarack@gmail.com](mailto:deanntamarack@gmail.com).

Be watching the [PSIA-NI.org](http://PSIA-NI.org) website for registration information!



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