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NSP is a membership driven organization. As members of the NSP and patrollers in the SNY Region, we are tied together for a common purpose. This purpose is built upon strong relationships. The relationships we have with each other as patrollers, with management, and with the skiing public leave lasting impressions. Positive relationships facilitate positive communication and growth. Respectful communication is vital within the Region. I believe that we as a Region need to build upon our positive experiences and relationships. I believe the position of Region Director is to make certain the needs of the membership are met and to facilitate relationships between patrollers, patrol directors, advisors and division staff, thus ensuring growth as a Region.

There are many challenges facing the organization. Recruitment and retention, education and financial viability are among the challenges we face as a Region. In order for these challenges to be met with success, patroller input is vital. At this time, I would like to submit my credentials for the upcoming election as candidate for Region Director in the Southern New York Region. My experience as a patroller, educator, instructor and administrator aligns with the role of Region Director. My interest is not based upon the desire to control programs, patrollers or the Region, but to build upon the successes that we have obtained as a Region and improve the areas in which there are noted weaknesses.

I believe a vision and supporting goals for the Region should be established based on stakeholder (patroller) input. This vision and its goals should be specific and measurable with an identifiable chain of accountability. I believe it is time we begin to fully use our highly talented professionals and truly work together for the common good, so that the Southern New York Region is widely recognized for its many capable professionals who make up the Region."

Patrolling Experience:

2001-Present – Belleayre Ski Patrol
1988-Present – Trainer/Evaluator - Senior Ski and Toboggan
1994-Present – OEC Instructor
2009-Present – Eastern Division Ski & Toboggan Staff
1992-2008 – Region Advisor, Ski & Toboggan - SNY Region
1992-2000 – Eastern Division Staff - Ski and Toboggan
1998-2000 – Patrol Director - Plattekill Ski Patrol
1992-1997 – Team Leader - Plattekill Ski Patrol
1989-1991 – Team Leader - Highmount Ski Patrol
1983-1991 – Patroller - Highmount Ski Patrol
1982-1983 – Candidate - Highmount Ski Patrol

Awards:

2008 – Service Award – 25 years of Service
2006 – Service Award – 12 years OEC Instructor
2004 – Meritorious Service Award
1995 – National Appointment #8128
1985 – Senior Patroller

Professional Experience:

2007-Present – Assistant Director of Special Education – Kingston School District, Kingston NY
2005-2006 – Speech-Language Pathologist – Sussex-Wantage School District, Sussex, NJ
2004-2005 – Speech-Language Pathologist – Kingston School District, Kingston, NY
2000-2004 – Coordinator of Special Education – Kingston School District, Kingston, NY
1988-1999 – Speech-Language Pathologist – Kingston School District
1992-1999 – Speech-Language Pathologist – Ulster County Early Intervention and Preschool Provider
1992-1997 – Adjunct Clinical Supervisor – SUNY New Paltz, New Paltz, NY

Other:

1990-2000 – Junior League of Kingston; Numerous Board positions held
1996-1999 – Kingston Area Library Board
1995-1997 – President-Speech and Hearing Association of the Hudson Valley (SHAHV)
1993-1995 – Vice-President – SHAHV

Most Rewarding Experience: 1999-Present: Mom to Ryann!