



2024 National Ski Patrol Central Division Meeting

September 6-8, 2024

Grand Rapids, Michigan

Welcome to the National Ski Patrol Central Division 2024 Fall Meeting information sheet. Below you will find information for the event including lodging, classes, food, outside events, and contacts.

LODGING:

- Rooms have been reserved at the **Holiday Inn-Downtown Grand Rapids**; 310 Pearl Street N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49504. Check-in starts at 4:00 pm and checkout time is 12:00pm
- **You may reserve your room by calling 616.235.7611 or click the link provided on the 2024 NSP Central Division created website.** Please refer to to *NATIONAL SKI PATROL* when making your reservation .
- Discounted rooms are reserved on a first-come first-served basis, and are only available at a dicounted rate until August 20, 2024.
- \$135.00/night: Standard Two Queen, single -quad occupancy
- \$145.00/night: Standard King, single-double occupancy
- *All guest room rates are subject to additional local and occumancy tax on the date of arrival.*

MEETING REGISTRATION:

- If you plan to attend the meeting(s) at any time during the weekend, you must register.
- **\$40-\$55 per person and must pre-register. Cost based on month of registration.**
 - *\$40 pp June- July 31. \$45 pp August 1-31. \$55 pp September 1-5.*
 - September 6-7: Day Of Walk-up/Registration cost is \$55. No dinner option is available.
 - The cost includes educational classes, General Session, and Continental Breakfast

SCHEDULE of EVENTS:

Please Note all NSP Meetings and scheduled meals will be located on the 2nd Floor at the GVSU LV Eberhard Center, 301 Fulton Street West, Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Thursday, September 5, 2024:

- **Brew Tour: 6:00pm – 9:00pm: Free**
 - *In town early?* Join the group that will gather for a very casual downtown Grand Rapids brewery sampler. Network with the early arrival members and see why Grand Rapids is named Beer City, USA.
 - Plan to meet at the Holiday Inn downtown Hotel at 6:00pm in the lobby.
 - All participants will be responsible for payment of their own food and beverages.

Friday, September 6, 2024:

- **Motorcycle Tour: 2:00pm-5:00pm: Free, but must pre-register.**
 - Plan to ride to beautiful Lake Michigan with a stopover for ice Cream in Grand Haven.
 - Tour will leave and return from the Holiday Inn-Downtown back parking lot at 2:00pm.
 - *Pre-registration is required, and the event is subject to weather conditions.*
- **Mountain Bike Ride: 3:00pm: Free, but must pre-register**
 - **Event located at Cannonsburg Ski and Ride Area – *please bring your own bike.***
 - **600 Cannonsburg Road NE, Belmont, MI 49306.**
 - Join your fellow patrollers for a ride on the mountain bike trails at Cannonsburg Ski Area.
 - Our local expert NSP Bike riders will be available to help guide you through the trails of your choice: beginner, intermediate or advanced.
 - Beverage service will be available by own purchase.
- **Registration packet/information pick-up: 1:00 pm – 5:30pm:**
 - GVSU Eberhard Center building – 2nd Floor @ registration table at top of the stairs.
- **Executive Board Meeting: 7:30pm – 10:00pm**
 - Foundation Room – GVSU Eberhard Center – 2nd floor. Invitation only.
- **Friday Evening Dinner: Founders Brewery: 6:30-9:30pm:**
 - ***Must register by August 28th on Eventbrite. Paid Event \$30 p/p.***
 - Centennial Room (use elevator).
 - 235 Cesar E Chavez Avenue SW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503
 - Founders parking lot: free parking with validated lot ticket – location off Finney Avenue SW
 - Located approximately ½ mile from Holiday Inn Hotel.
 - Meal: Founders Fajita Bar and dessert.
 - Drinks- will be cash bar /paid by each individual.

Saturday, September 7, 2024:

Location: GVSU Eberhard Center: 2nd Floor

A. MEETING REGISTRATION Check-In start time: 7:00am

B. Simple Continental Breakfast: 7:00am – 8:00am – Assorted fresh baked Belgian pastries, muffins, and mini croissants with spreads. Coffee and water.

C. NSP Division General Session Meeting – 8:00 am – 12:00 Noon

- Please note, the GVSU L.V. Eberhard Center is located directly behind (south) the Holiday Inn. If you are staying at the hotel, you do not need drive to Saturday's events.
- If you are a local patroller coming for the meetings and banquet, there is a **free GVSU parking lot for our event. It is located at 312 Fulton Street.** Cross Fulton Street and there is a pathway to GVSU Eberhard Center.

D. Breakout Classes/Sessions: 12:00pm-5:00pm:

Must PRE-REGISTER TO ATTEND (via EventBrite)

a. Breakout session options include:

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| ○ Moulage Class: | 12:30 -2:00 pm |
| ○ Certified and Senior Programs | 2:05 – 3:30 pm |
| ○ STE Recertification | 12:30 – 4:30 pm |
| ○ Alumni Open Session | Noon – 1:00 pm |
| ○ Instructor Development | 1:00 – 4:00 pm |
| ○ Ski to Skate (outside) | 1:00-3:00 pm (need own skates) |
| ○ Low Angle Rescue (outside) | 3:00 – 5:00 pm |
| ○ PSIA Movement Analysis | 12:30 – 1:30 pm |
| ○ Awards Writing Class-Discussion | 1:45 -2:45 pm |
| ○ Avalanche Awareness | 2:50 – 5:30pm |

Please note. There is a minimum sign-up requirement and maximum class size amount. If the minimum is not met, the class will not be held. If the class is at maximum sign-up capacity, another class should be selected.

E. ART MURAL WALK- Grand Rapids: 2:00pm–3:00pm:

FREE- must PRE-REGISTER TO ATTEND (via EventBrite)

Not signed-up for any classes? Or have family members that want to see more of Grand Rapids. Join us as we tour some Grand Rapids' iconic public art sculptures and murals. The Tour will start and end at the Holiday Inn Parking lot.

F. SILENT AUCTION TABLES: for viewing: Noon – 9:00 pm

- Credit Card, personal check or Venmo only.

G. Central Division Awards Dinner and Banquet: 6:00pm – 10:30pm:

\$55 per meal selection/per person and must pre-register (via EventBrite)

- Join your fellow patrol members (and any family members) for an evening of celebration.
- Cocktail Hour 6:00pm-7:00pm, **with cash bar.**
- Awards Dinner 7:00pm -10:30pm,
- Entrée choices include Salad, bread, entre, vegetables dessert, tea and coffee.
 - i. Beef – Bistro Steak
 - ii. Fish – Salmon (gf)
 - iii. Chicken Marsala (gf)
 - iv. Vegetable Risotto (gf, vg, v, nf, df)
- Silent Auction will be held. All items can be viewed Saturday. Bids finalized by 9:00pm. No cash accepted. Credit Card, check or Venmo.

Sunday, September 8, 2024

• Patrol Directors Breakfast and Meeting: 7:30am-Noon:

Must PRE-REGISTER TO ATTEND – breakfast provided (via EventBrite)

- L.V Eberhard Center 2nd Floor (room TBA)
- Breakfast will be Muffin Sandwich Buffett (nf), with fresh fruit.
- Patrol Directors Breakfast and 101 Class- 9:00am- Noon (Same room)

• NSP Bike Patrol Class: 8:00am-Noon:

Must PRE-REGISTER TO ATTEND (via EventBrite)

- L.V Eberhard Center 2nd Floor Room 201. This event is both inside and outside. Must have your own bike.

• Instructor Continuing Education: 8:30 – 10:30 am

- ***Must PRE-REGISTER TO ATTEND (via EventBrite)***
- Must have certificate done already for new instructor certification for JBL to LMS transition.

• Division Board Meeting – Continuation: 7:30-Noon (if needed)

- L.V Eberhard Center 2nd Floor (room TBA)

2024 Division Meeting Logo MERCHANDISE FOR SALE:

• Merchandise is available for sale.

Available for purchase via the Promotion link on Eventbrite Central Division Meeting site/GR Experience website. Here is the site information:

<https://promotionpros.store/2024fallmeeting/shop/home>

Items can be picked up at the event the weekend of the meeting or sent to directly (for cost).