

General Meeting Minutes 12/4/2014

Missions:

Lost hiker with AMS near Mt. Morgan. RP was in the parking lot and we got to interview the her but she was totally useless. But she could draw treasure maps. They were climbing Morgan and he (victim) had gone ahead to see if it was the summit, she (RP) decided to leave, without her backpack. She hiked back to the trailhead and when he hadn't showed up by the next morning she called it in. Frank worked on tracking near Francis Lake. Laura and Julia hiked up the other ridge and just when they were about to turn around for the night Nate called in and said he had a clue and they should come back.

The subject had hiked up and down the mountain three times looking for his partner, fell and hit his head, then bivied, then hiked down sand canyon, missed 395 and Tom's place and eventually hit Rock Creek Road. Hitchhiked on the road and didn't know where his car was so he got dropped off at the wrong trailhead, then Nate saw him hiking on the road heading back to where he thought his car was. Point is, they never knew where on Earth they were.

Trainings:

Pick off trainings:

Thursday: anchor training--different anchors and their strengths, chest harness tying, purcell prussik tying, rescue slings, pick off demo in the garage

Saturday: went to Lion King Rock in the Tungsten's. Lots of practice rigging the system and everyone got to practice the pick off technique and practiced using the rescue slings for the first time. It seemed to all go smoothly. We also used the scarab for rappelling and people were into it

Training for this month: Avalanche review this Saturday at 9 am.

Thanks to Vic for submitting all the photos to the Register. Everyone should check it out because it makes us look pretty darn good.

We were also on the cover of the Mammoth Times. They meant to put Mono SAR on, but we have low standards and will take it as an honor that they want to give a Thanksgiving tribute to this local non-profit.

Installation dinner will be held on January 31, 2015 at 6pm. There will be speeches. But there will also free food.

Leonard is still working on his Sierra Crest Route. For those interested, Leonard has copies of the first edition of his book (Haiwee to Bridgeport).

Announcing our 2015 Leadership Team (!!!!):

Continued Board members: Paul Rassmussen, Laura Lingeman, Julia Runcie

Nominees: President: Julie Vargo

VP: Ariana

Sec: Elsbeth

Treasurer: Ed

Board: Stephen P, Matt L

The peanut is neither a pea, nor a nut. Thank you, Max.

