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TO: PROSPECTIVE ADAPTIVE ALPINE SKI & SNOWBOARD INSTRUCTORS

FROM: ALICE BUSCH, THERAPEUTIC RECREATION

SUBJECT: 2018 Therapeutic Recreation Ski & Snowboard Programs

DATE: October 4, 2017

The Spokane Park and Recreation Department's Therapeutic Recreation Adaptive Ski & Snowboard Program will begin with a dryland training Friday January 12, 2017 and on the snow training Sat-Sun January 13-14, 2018. Lessons for students start Saturday, January 20 through March 3, 2018. The **adaptive ski/board** program for people with physical disabilities will include: Mono-ski, Bi-ski, Snowboard, 4 & 3 track, and Visually/Hearing Impaired skiing. Lesson times are 9:30-11:30 am and 12:30-2:30 pm.

Mandatory Instructor Clinics will be held prior to the start of the program. The first will be a dryland meeting for all instructors **Friday January 12, 2018 6:00- 8:00 p.m.** at the Corbin Community Center, 827 W. Cleveland. We will outline the program, go over expectations, fill out paperwork, and begin teaching about the adaptive equipment.

The on snow training will be **Saturday January 13, 2018.Training begins at 8:30am and ends at 4pm. and Sunday January 14, 2018 9am-4pm at Mt. Spokane in our Adaptive Snow Sports Chalet.** The snow sports chalet is located at the base of chair 5(bunny hill). A PSIA Examiner, John Stevenson will be conducting our clinic along with our lead ski instructors. We will be rotating through the different disciplines. We will be observing your ability to work with people, your ability to ski/board, and your ability to teach.

During the program morning session volunteers will meet at 8:30 am to receive lift ticket and need to be at building no later than 9:00 am for a staff meeting, assignments, equipment check, warm - up run, etc…and teach lessons 9:30- 11:30 am. Lunch will be from 11:30 am-12:30 pm If volunteering for the afternoon session please meet at 11:30 am for pre-lesson meeting and teach lessons 12:30- 2:30 pm then put away equipment, do paperwork, etc.. till 3 pm.

The first session of lessons are morning 9:30-11:30 am and afternoon 12:30-2:30 pm
January 20, 27 and February 3.
The second session of lessons are same times on February 10, 24, and March 3
There will be no students on February 17.

Instructors are asked to commit to volunteering at least one 3 week session; either morning or afternoon lessons. The intent is to assign a student to the same instructor for the duration of the session(3 weeks). Some instructors may choose to teach the full day lessons for first and/or second sessions.
Instructors teaching one lesson a day will be able to free ski during non-lesson time. At the end of three weeks the half-day instructors will earn the ability to purchase one incentive lift to line ticket for $10…..a value of $50. If instructors choose to teach two lessons a day for the 3 week session they will be able to purchase an incentive ticket for each full day. Do not sell these incentive tickets or you will be dismissed from the program immediately. They may be used for friends or family. Spokane Parks and Recreation will be paying for the daily tickets used while you are instructing.

Anytime not teaching (free skiing) the volunteer instructor will NOT be covered as a city volunteer under workman's compensation.

Veteran instructors are encouraged to purchase a seasons pass for Mt. Spokane at $100 plus tax. The mountain is offering this amazing deal to help support our TRS ski programs. Passes will be good at the start of the season. The season pass helps to keep the costs down for the program. Please notify Alice or Sara if you are interested. The passes can be purchased beginning in November once volunteer registration process has been completed.

The mountain has also given us instructor rates for the daycare. This is 50% off their regular prices. Please notify me if you will need these services especially for the training weekend.

Please use the attached registration form, fill out the background check and attach your payment option with checks made payable to the Spokane Parks and Recreation.
Volunteer Registration fee is $40.
A $20 discount will be given to those veteran instructors with a season pass.

PRE-REGISTRATION is important and assists in planning!!!!

A firm commitment to the program is ESSENTIAL! Please let the Ski Coordinator know in advance that you are unable to teach. **Don't wait until Saturday to call if you know in advance.**

We hope this year's program will be the Best ever, and we are looking forward to a fun and exciting ski season. If you have any questions, please call me at 625-6245 or Adaptive Ski Coordinator Sara Dunbar at 509.714.7654. See you on the mountain!!

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