

December 2022

SARCON 2022

We successfully held our first virtual conference in October. We offered it free of charge as part of our advocacy mission to all SAR responders. Many thanks to the presenters for their time and commitment and to Jamie Sterling for coordinating everything on the technical side. You can find recordings of the presentations at www.sar.academy in case you missed the conference. They are still free at the SAR Academy.

Budget 2023

The Board is currently reviewing the proposed budget for 2023. Every fall the Board spends time looking at our financial trends, future programs, updates and expenses. The directors discuss how the budget and programs can best serve the membership and SAR responders in general. The Board will vote on the budget at the January 2023 in-person Board meeting.

Winter is Here

Many of you may still be having balmy temperatures, but many areas like the Sierra Nevada are seeing significant snowfall and local ski resorts are open. Now is a great time to review your ready pack and add those cold weather items that you may need. This includes extra light sources and batteries since daylight is shorter, and extra clothing layers and calories to stay effective in the field.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Our annual membership meeting was held virtually on October 7th. There were no motions or comments from the membership. The President opened the meeting and addressed the agenda. The Directors adjourned after hearing the reports from the President, Treasurer and Executive Director.

JANUARY 2023 IN-PERSON BOARD MEETING

The first Board meeting for 2023 is scheduled for January 20-22, 2023 at the Embassy Suites DFW North ([2401 Bass Pro Dr., Grapevine, TX 76051](http://2401BassProDr.com)). The meeting is open to members (except for any executive session). The meeting starts at 08:30 on the 21st and adjourns before noon on the 22nd. If you are a member and want to attend and require any kind of accommodation for a disability, please contact Chris Boyer at chrisb@nasar.org so he can make arrangements.

Firefighters Asked for Special Backpacks. Mystery Ranch Delivered.

Outside's long reads email newsletter features our strongest writing, most ambitious reporting, and award-winning storytelling about the outdoors. Sign up today. In 2005, Mystery Ranch received a box of worn-out backpacks from a group of United States Forest Service (USFS) wildland firefighters in Southern California, otherwise known as "hotshots."

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A Fatal Accident in Death Valley Prompts Officials to Warn Solo Adventurers

Outside's long reads email newsletter features our strongest writing, most ambitious reporting, and award-winning storytelling about the outdoors. Sign up today. Earlier this month, an unidentified 54-year-old man died in an apparent fall in Death Valley National Park. Leading up to the discovery, a campground host first noticed a tent that remained standing past its due date.

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Search team rescues man missing in the Black Hills for several days

RAPID CITY, S.D. (KOTA) - A man who went missing earlier this week while collecting firewood along the South Dakota and Wyoming state line was rescued Thursday night, according to a post on the Pennington County Search and Rescue Facebook page. The man was taken to the hospital.

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iPhone in snowmobile glovebox triggers \$10,000 false alarm | Philip Elmer-DeWitt

Skiers and snowmobilers in the backcountry and at resorts have inadvertently triggered their devices' crash detection feature. As Carrie Tait reports, the system appears to have caused at least four false alarms last weekend alone. The most serious happened in a remote area near Golden, B.C., where an iPhone bouncing around in a snowmobile glovebox detected a collision.

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Emergency SOS via Satellite - What happens after the two years of free service? [Comment]

Apple's Emergency SOS via Satellite service got a lot of time in the keynote, with the company proudly announcing that the service is free for the first two years. What Apple hasn't told us is what happens at the end of those two years. There's one obvious answer, of course, but there are other possibilities [...]

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DRONE FOOTAGE: Iron County Sheriff's Search & Rescue save family stuck in freezing temps

IRON COUNTY, Utah () - Iron County Sheriff's Search & Rescue (ICSSAR) volunteers, along with a Sheriff's Deputy, saved a family that was stuck in the snow after their side-by-side was trapped and immobile in freezing weather. At 6:15 p.m. Sunday, Nov.

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This Climber Led a Daring Rescue of a BASE Jumper Stranded High on a Cliff

Utah-based climber River Barry, 30, was standing in a parking lot in Moab's Kane Creek Canyon, prepping her gear for a day of mountain biking, when a BASE jumper crashed into the cliff in front of her. At the time, she never imagined that she'd be the only one able to save him.

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On This Day - Dec. 10, 1905: U.S. Naval Torpedo Station on Goat Island receives transmission of the first distress signal in U.S. - What's Up Newp

Wireless radio was a major breakthrough in communications technology. To send or transmit by wireless telegraphy, electromagnetic waves are used to send and receive information in the form of Morse code messages. Guglielmo Marconi (1847-1937) did not invent the wireless, but he applied certain improvements to the existing devices through experimentation and made the systems practical.

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Missing MA Man Discovered Dead In Freezer Named As Roommates Face Kidnapping Charges

Burke and Perry then moved the body to the freezer. Potter's body was in the basement freezer for more than a week before it was discovered by officers. Burke and Perry are being held without bail. They will appear in court again next week.

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Greenhorn Gear: A Newbie's Thru-Hiking Gear List - The Trek

I'm new to hiking but I know that you need gear to hike the Appalachian Trail. So I had to figure out what is and isn't worth the weight for me. It is my hope that sharing this information will be a helpful starting point for other aspiring or committed thru-hikers.

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December 19 @ 8:00 am - December 22 @ 5:00 pm

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[1295 Weaver Thomas Road](#) 1295 Weaver Thomas Road, Henderson, TN

This is the Wilderness First Responder / WEMT Course being given in Henderson, TN. For more information or to register for the course contact 731-803-6175.

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December 24 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

[SARTECH II Certification](#)

[1295 Weaver Thomas Road, Henderson, TN](#)

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December 26 @ 8:00 am - December 29 @ 5:00 pm

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December 30 @ 8:00 am - December 31 @ 5:00 pm

[Introduction to SAR \(ISAR\) Course](#)

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This is the 2 day Introduction to SAR (ISAR) course taught in Henderson, TN.

This course prepares you to take the SARTECH III Certification.

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December 31 @ 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

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NATIONAL MISSING AND UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS CONFERENCE

May 9-11, 2023
Orlando, FL

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Welcome to the Missing Persons Uncovered Podcast

This series of episodes gets beneath the surface of an emergency nations are facing across the world. Every year 155,000 people go missing in the UK alone. What

does it mean to go missing? Why do some people make the choice to disappear? And how can we protect our vulnerable loved ones better?

Caroline Humer and Karen Shalev Greene set out to hear first-hand experiences of those who have experienced missing persons cases, seeking the people behind the statistics. Listen in on revealing conversations with professionals and practitioners who are working to challenge myths and raise awareness around this much misunderstood social and personal issue.

Maintaining a Strong Volunteer Force

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