The 2018 recipient of The Maine Region John T. Gyger III Outstanding OEC Instructor In memory of "Tom" Gyger and recognition of outstanding OEC instruction was presented to Darryl Trafford

Congratulations to Darryl Trafford in becoming the first recipient of the John T. Gyger, III Outstanding Instructor Award This Award was presented at Shawnee Peaks Annual Refresher in November by June Gyger. Darryl has a long history as an OEC Instructor and was trained and mentored by Tom. His skiing career began as a Junior patroller and in 1983 became a Senior Alpine patroller. He has been involved each year in teaching at the Shawnee Peak refresher as well as assisting in OEC course instruction. Besides being an OEC instructor Darryl has been involved in the Maine region for many years as a OET TE, OET Supervisor, Section Chief and Region Director. In 1994 Darryl received his National Appointment #7929. The NSP Distinguished Service Award was given to Darryl in 2017 with acknowledgement of 41 years of outstanding service and instruction to Pleasant Mtn/Shawnee Peak Ski Patrol, Maine Region and the Eastern Division of NSP.



The John T. Gyger, III award is given as a memorial award for Tom Gyger's commitment to the OEC program and its delivery. Tom was Region OEC Administrator, ID Instructor, and ID IT. The Maine Region felt that Tom's passing last year should be recognized through the giving each year of this award.