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## SCHWEITZER MOUNTAIN RESORT TO HOST WILDERNESS FIRST RESPONDER COURSE

May 18, 2006 - SANDPOINT -- A Wilderness First Responder course will be offered on Schweitzer Mountain June 12-19, 2006 in conjunction with Wilderness Medical Associates. This is an intensive 72 hour course and is excellent training for outdoor enthusiasts who regularly find themselves and their travel companions in remote settings, far from ambulance service or medical care facilities.

All classes will be held on the Mountain with some portions being taught in an outdoor setting.

The Wilderness First Responder course is designed to prepare participants to deal with emergency situations that may involve prolonged patient care in severe environments and with improvised equipment. Topics will include patient assessment, body systems, trauma, environmental medicine, toxins, backcountry medicine and wilderness rescue. WFR certification is recommended for all outdoor professionals and enthusiasts who spend time in remote areas. Credentials from Wilderness Medical Associates are preferred by institutions such as Outward Bound, NOLS, the National Park Service, FBI, and many college and university outdoor programs.

Participants will receive certification upon successful completion of course requirements. Cost of the course is \$450 (lodging and meals not included) and space is limited.

For more information, call the Schweitzer Mountain Activity Center at (208) 255-3081 or email at <a href="activityinfo@schweitzer.com">activityinfo@schweitzer.com</a>.