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### RUNNER'S HIGH



A racer nears the finish line of the Ragnar Relay Race in Snowmass Saturday afternoon.

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## MRA escorts man off Thunder Pyramid Peak

Aspen Daily News Staff Report

A Mountain Rescue Aspen team on Saturday responded to an emergency activation from a GPS tracking device in the area of Thunder Pyramid Peak and escorted an injured climber safely off the nearly 14,000-foot peak.

The Pitkin County Sheriff's Office received a report of an 'SOS' activation from a SPOT device around 1:50 p.m., a press release says.

Mountain Rescue Aspen (MRA) immediately mobilized and was able to track the SPOT device's GPS coordinates through continual updated location pings. It was determined that due to the location and very slow pace of movement, an injury or other emergency was likely the cause of the SOS activation.

approximately 3:45 p.m. The first MRA foot team made contact with the device's owner around 5:30 p.m. That person led them toward the injured climber, who was approximately 150 feet above. MRA made contact with the person, who was at roughly 11,700 feet on Thunder Pyramid.

It was determined the climber had taken a substantial fall, and suffered moderate injuries to his upper body. In-field stabilization was performed, and with the help of MRA members, the subject was able to walk out of the field under his own power.

The mission involved 21 MRA members who were safely out of the field by 9 p.m.

Mountain Rescue Aspen would like to remind backcountry users to exercise caution and safe travel techniques while navigating steep, snow-covered terrain in the backcountry, and to be prepared for MRA deployed foot teams into the field at any variable conditions they may encounter.

## Sardy House and Mesa Store to receive HPC awards today

Historic Preservation Commision awards have been given for 25 years to recognize best practices

#### Aspen Daily News Staff Report

The city of Aspen's Historic Preservation Commission will present its annual awards during city council's meeting today, this year honoring restorations on two Main Street properties.

The HPC awards have been given for over 25 years to recognize projects that have made an outstanding contribution to historic preservation in Aspen and to thank those responsible.

This year, HPC will honor two projects involving the careful restorations of the Sardy House at 128 E. Main St. and Mesa Store at 500 W. Main St.

"Aspen HPC values the high-quality restoration represented by these projects," Amy Simon, city of Aspen historic preservation officer, said in a press release. "The awards recognize a significant financial commit-ment and stewardship by the owners of these important and prominent historic resources, and the excellent work completed by local designers and contractors."

The Sardy House is a Queen Anne-style mansion built in 1891. The exterior of the historic house has been entirely repaired or restored, including brick, windows, woodwork, roofing, stained glass and metal architectural detailing. The front porch balcony was reconstructed to its original appearance, absent for many decades. The property is owned by BRTSardy, LLC. The project architect is Brewster McLeod Architects, LLC. The engineering team included Structural Engineering Services, Inc.; BG Buildingworks; and Sopris Engineering. The landscape **AWARDS ON PAGE 6** 



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Photos courtesy of the city of Aspen The city of Aspen's Historic Preservation Commission today will honor restoration projects on the Sardy House at 128 E. Main St. and the Mesa Store at 500 W. Main.

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architect was Connect One Design; glass consultant was Element Architectural Glass; contractors were Dowbuilt and PD Builder; window restoration by RL Woodworks + Design; framing by K2 Building Group, LLP; painting by Aspen Painting, Inc.; front porch restoration by Hopkins and Co., Inc.; roofing by GZO Sheet Metal and Roofing, Inc.; brick cleaning by Aspen Tile; metalwork restoration by Brenton Curtis Metalsmithing, LLC; metalwork painting by Great Western Painting, Inc.; structural steel by Black Magic



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