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THE SKI LINK

GREETINGS FROM THE ADAPTIVE SKI PROGRAM



Our thoughts and prayers are with the families and friends of Richard Abruzzo and Carol Rymer-Davis during this difficult time.

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Although it is difficult today, to see beyond the sorrow. May looking back in memory, help comfort you tomorrow.

-- Author Unknown

THE ABRUZZO FAMILY TRUE COMMUNITY HEROS

It was terrible to learn of the disappearance of balloonists Richard Abruzzo and Carol Rymer Davis. Richard was not only a world veteran balloon pilot, but he, and the Abruzzo family, have been the most important benefactors of the Adaptive Ski Program (ASP).

The ASP recently celebrated 25 years of programming at Ski Santa Fe and Sandia Peak. Our growth and success is due to many factors, but none more important than the ongoing support of the Abruzzo Family.

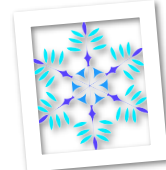
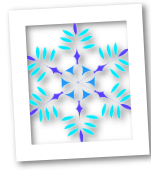
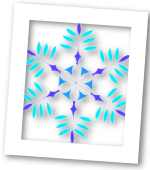
Each year Ski Santa Fe and Sandia Peak provide the program with over \$150,000 of support in the form of lift tickets, vouchers, equipment rentals, meeting spaces and sponsorship of other ASP fundraising activities.

Because of this support, the ASP is not only the largest adaptive skiing program in New

Mexico, but also one of the largest in the country. Few ski areas rival the number of students that we serve (279 in the 2009_2010 season). While some of the larger resorts certainly have as many students, they do not grant over 60% of them the scholarship assistance which our students need.

Their generosity has made it possible for hundreds if not thousands of students to enjoy the benefits of winter recreation, who would otherwise not be able to afford to participate.

The scope of adaptive skiing that the Abruzzo family has helped to create make them true community heros. We are so grateful for our partnership with them and ask you to join us in honoring and thanking them for this incredible generosity.



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2010/2011 Enrollment Open

The 2010/2011 season is quickly approaching and it is time to send in your applications again. All enrollment forms (online and .pdf) are available on the Adaptive Ski Program website at:

[http://
www.adaptiveski.org/
applications](http://www.adaptiveski.org/applications)

A .pdf of the 2010/2011 can be found here as well.

We only have so many spots available for students and volunteers so don't delay in submitting yours.

Tuesday at Ski Santa Fe

The ASP is excited to announce the addition of a fourth lesson day at Ski Santa Fe! Thanks to Benny Abruzzo, the Abruzzo family and Ski Santa Fe, we will be opening up Tuesday for special student groups from the Santa Fe Public Schools. We are thrilled to be able to meet this need and are very grateful to Mr. Abruzzo for making this expansion possible.

At this time there is no open enrollment for students outside of the organized school groups.

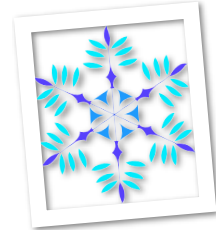
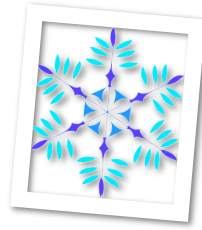
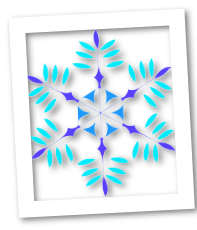
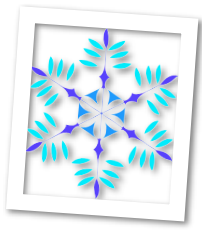
New Training Requirements

For the 2010/2011 season, if you are a veteran volunteer (5+years) you will only be required to attend ONE day of training (Jan. 22 or Jan. 23). Volunteers are welcome to attend more if they like, but are not required to do so. We are developing specialty clinics that will focus on specific disciplines such as the slider or working with outriggers. Make sure you come to your pre-season orientation to sign up for the clinic that most interests you!

New Name Tags and ID badges

Oh no - not another name tag! Not to worry, this year we will be redoing the name tags to double as the volunteer ID as well. Your volunteer ID is required to redeem your vouchers with skier services and to acquire other discounts and perks. If you have an older name tag you can wear that one too.

Come to your pre-season orientation to get your photo taken and your new name tag/ID badge. 2010/2011 stickers will be available until your new badge is delivered to you but not after the season begins.



New Names - Same Meetings

THE MORE THINGS CHANGE THE MORE THEY STAY THE SAME

The Adaptive Ski Program has two important events prior to on the hill training in January. Volunteer Orientation and Dry Land Training.

Volunteer Orientation will now be referred to as the “Pre-Season meeting for all volunteers”. Dry land training will now be referred to as “New Volunteer Intro”.

The meetings will not change in content but the names will hopefully be more clear.

NEW VOLUNTEER INTRODUCTION (formerly called Dry Land)

This training is required for new volunteers. It is an opportunity for them to become acquainted with the types of special equipment we use, the types of disabilities most commonly seen in the ASP, and the types of skills that individuals need to be successful as a volunteer with the ASP.

PRE-SEASON MEETING FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

(formerly called Orientation)
This meeting is required for all volunteers (new and returning). At the meeting changes for the upcoming season, news and other topics will be covered. Photos will be taken for the new ID's and there will be signup sheets for the new training clinics as well as other events. **DON'T MISS IT!!!!**

VOLUNTEER MEETINGS

NOV. 4

SANDIA PEAK NEW VOLUNTEER INTRO
6:30 - 8:00 pm - 5201 Roma Ave. NE
Good Samaritan Society - Manzano del Sol

NOV. 10

SANTA FE PRE-SEASON MEETING
6:00 - 7:30 pm - Santa Fe Place Mall
South-side movie theater off of food Court

NOV. 11

SANDIA PEAK PRE-SEASON MEETING
6:30 - 8:00 pm - 5201 Roma Ave. NE
Good Samaritan Society - Manzano del Sol

NOV. 17

SANTA FE NEW VOLUNTEER INTRO
6:00 - 7:30 pm - Santa Fe Place Mall
South-side movie theater off of food court

Please contact the main office or your mountain coordinator with any questions and/or to confirm your attendance. Thank you.

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NOVEMBER 5TH
“The Way I See It”
EXTREME SKI AND RIDE FILM

Two Showings
6:00 pm & 8:30pm

\$10/ticket

Admission includes one raffle ticket for a chance to win some great prizes!

Cinema Cafe
1616 St. Michael’s Dr.

Proceeds Benefit the Adaptive Ski Program



Matchstick Production Films takes you inside the action with **“THE WAY I SEE IT”**.

The winner of Powder Magazine’s 2009 “Movie of the Year” brings you the best athletes on the planet sharing their points of view on what it means to be a skier and backing up their positions with hard-charging action. The MSP team traveled

globe in search of what makes this sport so special... the adventure, the passion, the camaraderie, and the fun. “THE WAY I SEE IT” showcases the greatest deep powder, steep lines, and massive park features from British Columbia, Japan, Alaska, Colorado, Switzerland, Idaho, Washington, and many other locations worldwide.

Thank you to our movie Sponsors: Ski Santa Fe & Sandia Peak, Kokopelli Rafting Adventures, Project 101.5, Sangre de Cristo Mountaing Works, Santa Fe Brewing, Santa Fe Mountain Works, The Santa Fe Reporter, SnowCode.org, Thomas Properties, Thornburg Investment

THINK SNOW!!!



Help support the ASP by selling and buying holiday wreaths.

Beautiful, fresh, fragrant, noble fir wreath laced with juniper berries, pine cones and a decorative red bow.
Wreaths are only \$20 and arrive from Oregon at the end of November. They make wonderful holiday gifts for family, friends and co-workers. Contact Katya at director@adaptiveski.org or 505-995-9858 if you would like to buy or sell wreaths this year.

Wreath sales materials can be found on the ASP website under resources.

<http://www.adaptiveski.org/fundraising>

Ski Swaps & Wolf Creek Trip

DATES

OCTOBER

29-31

Sandia Peak Ski
Swap

NOVEMBER

12-14

Santa Fe Ski
Swap

DECEMBER

17-19

Wolf Creek Ski
Trip

If you would like to volunteer for the ABQ ski swap please follow the directions below from Ski Patroller Kris Pyeatt. During the swap weekend, we will also have an ASP info booth and will be helping the American Lung Association with selling ski cards. If you would like to help with either of those activities please contact Katya at director@adaptiveski.org or call 505-995-9858.

SANDIA PEAK SKI SWAP - October 29th - October 31st

Manual Lujan Building at Expo New Mexico, State Fair Grounds

FRIDAY OCTOBER 29th - VIP sale from 7:30-9:30pm

(\$20 donation for entry to VIP sale)

SATURDAY OCTOBER 30th - 9:00am - 4:00pm

SUNDAY OCTOBER 31 - 11:00am - 4:00pm

For more information and for a "get-in-free" coupon visit:

www.nmskiswap.org

DIRECTIONS TO SIGN UP AS AN ABQ SWAP VOLUNTEER

"Time again to sign up to work at our beloved SWAP 2010! It works like this. Go to our patrol web site at www.sandiapeakskipatrol.org. Find the Swap button. Hit it. A drop down menu will appear. Select non-Patrollers and begin the process. We have added a new job called STOCKING. This job covers putting all the items onto the floor all day Friday and will include taking the commercial vendor items onto the floor as well as the public items. We will need lots of people for this job. We also need lots of help in Cashier during sale hours. You will see a number in parenthesis beside each job within each time slot. This number indicates our goal for the number of workers at that particular time for that particular job. It will be intuitive where we need the most help. If you have questions or comments you can send them to kpyeatt@aol.com and I will respond. The Sandia Peak Ski Patrol thanks you all once again for being so generous with your time to help at our Swap. Believe me, the extra hours put in by non-patrollers really makes a huge difference. See you at Swap!!"

SANTA FE SKI SWAP

November 12 - 14

Genoveva Chavez

Community Center

Benefits the Santa Fe Ski
Team

**For more information
visit:**

www.santafeskiteam.com/

WOLF CREEK SKI WEEKEND

December 17th - 19th

\$265/person - double occupancy (\$225 for seniors 65 and over)

Includes transportation, 2 nights lodging, continental breakfast, 2-day
lift tickets and Saturday evening ASP après ski party. For more

information contact Bill and Margaret Emrick bremric@comcast.net
or call 505-298-1083.

You can also download an info sheet at

<http://www.adaptiveski.org/newsletters>



Ski Spectacular Dec. 5 -12

The Hartford Ski Spectacular takes place at Breckenridge Ski Area in Colorado in early December. With a yearly average of 750 participants, this is the world's largest winter sports event for people who have disabilities.

During the event the PSIA & AASI NATIONAL EDUCATION ACADEMY offers a series of half-day clinics from Monday thru Friday. You can take any combination for as many days as you want.

Clinics take place indoors and/or on the snow. Topics range from tips and tricks for instructing children with autism, to advanced tethering for the bi-ski. Whether you want to learn more about the newest adaptive equipment available, or want tips and tricks for motivating your students, you will find a clinic here. **REGISTRATION ENDS OCTOBER 31st.**

To register for Ski Spectacular follow this link:

<http://www.wix.com/disabledsportsusa/ski-spectacular>



When you go to their registration website and click on register there will be two questions at the bottom of the first registration page regarding DS/USA chapter affiliation.

1. DS/USA Chapter Affiliation = Adaptive Ski Program
2. Affiliation Type = volunteer

If you are interested in attending but have questions regarding lodging and scholarship assistance contact Katya at 505-995-9858 or director@adaptiveski.org right away!

PSIA AT SANDIA

LEVEL 1 CERT. FOR SNOWBOARD & ALPINE

January 26 - January 28
Some scholarships available

BRILLIANT SKIING AND RIDING WITH WEEMS

February 3 & February 4

OTHER SANDIA DATES

To volunteer or to reserve your space, contact Spanda asp_sandia@Q.com or 505-281-2845

November 20 10am - 2pm (in ABQ)
CPR certification - \$6.00

Sandia Peak Lift Evac Training
December 4 -- 8:00 am

Sandia Peak Clubhouse Set-Up
December 19 10 am -- 2 pm

SANDIA PEAK FUNDRAISER FOR CANCER

WOMAN'S SKI AND RIDE

February 11th (evening) and
February 12

A Benefit for the Anita Salas
Memorial fund

Friday evening social and
Saturday AM and PM women's
on the snow groups at Sandia
Peak

For more information contact:
snowsportsschool@gmail.com

**Adaptive Ski Program
2010/2011 Season
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

EVENT DATE	EVENT DESCRIPTION & CONTACT INFO	TIME & LOCATION
October 29, 30 & 31	Sandia Peak Ski Swap. Check in on Fri. October 29 th . For more information contact Katya: director@adaptiveski.org or visit www.nmskiswap.org (VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WEEKEND)	Manual Lujan Building State Fair Grounds Enter off of San Pedro
November 4 Thursday	DRYLAND TRAINING (new volunteer intro) – Albuquerque Required for all new volunteers. For information and to RSVP contact Spanda Bhavani at asp_sandia@Q.com or call 505-281-2845 .	6:30 – 8:00pm Manzano del Sol 5201 Roma Ave. NE
November 5 Friday	“The Way I See It” ski movie premier from Matchstick Productions. Tickets \$10. Great Prizes. 2 showings. For more information contact Katya: director@adaptiveski.org	Cinema Café (SF) Show 1 – 6:00pm Show 2 – 8:30pm
November 10 Wednesday SANTA FE	Santa Fe Orientation for new and returning instructors. For more information and to RSVP contact Brett Maul at adaptiveskibrett@gmail.com or call 505-954-1224 .	6:00-7:30pm Santa Fe Place Mall – movie theater off the food court.
November 11 Thursday ABQ	Sandia Peak Orientation for new and returning instructors. For information and to RSVP contact Spanda Bhavani at asp_sandia@Q.com or call 505-281-2845 .	6:30 – 8:00pm Manzano del Sol 5201 Roma Ave. NE
November 12, 13 & 14	Santa Fe Ski Swap. Friday check in and pre-sale. For more information or to volunteer contact Katya: director@adaptiveski.org or visit www.santafeskiteam.com	Genoveva Chavez Community Center off Rodeo Road
November 17 Wednesday	DRYLAND TRAINING (new volunteer intro) – Santa Fe Required for all new volunteers. For more information and to RSVP contact Brett Maul at adaptiveskibrett@gmail.com or call 505-954-1224 .	6:00 - 7:30pm Santa Fe Place Mall – movie theater off the food court.
December 4 Saturday	HOLIDAY WREATH SALE at Kaune’s Foodtown in Santa Fe and The Agora supermarket in El Dorado. To volunteer to help sell wreaths contact Katya: director@adaptiveski.org	9am-4pm Kaune’s Agora
December 18	CLINICANS TRAINING	TBD
December 19	CLINICANS TRAINING	TBD
Jan. 8 & 9 Sat. & Sun.	New instructor training at Ski Santa Fe & Sandia Peak Required for all new volunteers	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
Jan. 22 & 23 Sat. & Sun.	Training for ALL volunteers at the mountain they volunteer at	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
January 25 Tuesday	Opening day for SFPS students enrolled in the six-week program TUESDAYS (Jan. 25, Feb. 1, Feb. 8, Feb. 15, Feb. 22, Mar. 1)	Ski Santa Fe (day reserved for SFPS only)
January 27 Thursday	Opening day for students enrolled in the six-week program THURSDAYS (Jan. 27, Feb. 3, Feb. 10, Feb. 17, Feb. 24, Mar. 3)	Ski Santa Fe
January 28 Friday	Opening day for students enrolled in the six-week program FRIDAYS (Jan. 28, Feb. 4, Feb. 11, skip Feb. 18, Feb. 25, Mar. 4, Mar. 11)	Sandia Peak

January 29 Saturday	Opening day for students enrolled in six-week program SATURDAYS (Jan. 29, Feb. 5, Feb. 12, skip Feb 19 , Feb. 26, Mar. 5, Mar. 12)	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
January 30 Sunday	Opening day for students enrolled in six-week program SUNDAYS (Jan. 30, Feb. 6, Feb. 13, Skip Feb. 20, Feb. 27, Mar. 6, Mar. 13)	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
February 18 - 20	President's Weekend – No six-week lessons for FRIDAY, SATURDAY or SUNDAY students.	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
March 1	LAST DAY OF TUESDAY PROGRAM	Ski Santa Fe
March 3	LAST DAY OF THURSDAY PROGRAM	Ski Santa Fe
March 11	LAST DAY OF FRIDAY PROGRAM	Sandia Peak
March 12	LAST DAY OF SATURDAY PROGRAM	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
March 13	LAST DAY OF SUNDAY PROGRAM	Ski Santa Fe & Sandia Peak
March 19 Saturday	17th Annual Snow Ball Dinner, Dancing, Fabulous Auction Items and Celebratory Fun!!!	Hilton Santa Fe 5:30 – 11:00 pm

BEATS ON THE BASIN

Free Tunes and Free Fun – 12 – 3 on the deck at Totemoffs

Saturday January 8 – TBA

Saturday January 22 – *Soul Man Sam* (SF, NM)

Saturday February 5 – *Santa Fe DJ Spectacular* (SF, NM)

Saturday March 5 – *The Gumbo Project* (SF, NM)

Saturday March 19 – *Keith Sanchez*

PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE ADAPTIVE SKI PROGRAM

MULTI – WEEK PROGRAM DAYS

THURSDAY (Santa Fe)	FRIDAY (Sandia Peak)	SATURDAY (Sandia & Santa Fe)	SUNDAY (Sandia & Santa Fe)
January 27	January 28	January 29	January 30
February 3	February 4	February 5	February 6
February 10	February 11	February 12	February 13
February 17	(skip Feb. 18)	(skip Feb. 19)	(skip Feb. 20)
February 24	February 25	February 26	February 27
March 3	March 4	March 5	March 6
	March 11	March 12	March 13
No FRIDAY, SATURDAY or SUNDAY lessons during President's weekend – Feb. 18-20			