

PENNSYLVANIA SKI AND WINTER SPORTS MUSEUM

& Hall of Fame

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NEW HALL OF FAME MEMBERS FOR SKI MUSEUM

Olympic skiing gold medalist Diann Roffe schusses into the Hall of Fame of the Pennsylvania Ski and Winter Sports museum at a special luncheon on May 19 at Liberty Mountain Resort in Carroll Valley .

She will be joined on the podium by six other honorees who have made major contributions to winter sports in the state. Families, friends, industry and government officials will attend.

Roffe, who won the giant slalom race at Lillehammer, Norway, in 1994, was long associated with the Roundtop, Liberty and Whitetail resorts in marketing and skier development programs. A well-known motivational speaker and television personality, she is also a member of the National Ski Hall of Fame.

Other honorees include Bill Bendl, Gregg Confer, David Fowler, George Hannon, Pete Snyder and Eliot Woodbridge.

Bendl is vice president of Atomic Ski Country, with a long career in sales and promotional programs designed to expand the industry and encourage newcomers to the sport.

Confer, general manager of Elk Mountain Resort, is a civic and community leader who has been in sales and operations for

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three decades. He is president of the Pennsylvania Ski Areas Association and board member of the Governor's Pennsylvania Tourism Partnership.

Fowler, a veteran who lost a leg to a land mine in Vietnam, has been a key figure in the growth of skiing for the "52 Association," which is dedicated to rehabilitating other wounded GIs by developing adaptive sports programs in the state and across the nation.

Hannon, longtime member of the ski patrol at Ski Roundtop, is an alternate director of Eastern Region of the National Ski Patrol. He has received many honors for his leadership and outstanding service.

Snyder, another NSP member, has been a key figure in training programs in ski instruction, first aid and survival techniques. He is the recipient of many awards for his personal accomplishments, and for inspiring other patrollers.

Woodbridge, noted as a visionary, was a founding member and later president of the Eastern Pennsylvania Ski Council. He played a big role in the development of racing programs, with an emphasis on safety.

The seven new members of the Hall of Fame will bring to 48 the number of honorees, whose achievements are recorded in the museum's exhibits. The museum is located in the main lodge of the Camelback ski area in Tannersville.

A special feature of the induction ceremony at Liberty Mountain Resort will be a keynote address by John Fry, another member of the National Ski Hall of Fame. Fry is a prominent historian who recently published "The Story of Modern Skiing."

The public is invited to the ceremony at Liberty Mountain Resort. Tickets for the luncheon can be purchased from Ellie Jessum at 610-754-7034.