

Adaptive Ski Program / 505-995-9858



**Katya Franzgen, ASP Director**

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## A Letter From The New Director



It is with great excitement that I write to the Adaptive Ski Program (ASP) community. As the chill in the air gets more pronounced, and the leaves have adopted their new hue, I feel nervous, excited and grateful. Taking on the position of director of the ASP affords me with a unique opportunity to merge two of my passions: non-profit work and sharing the magic of skiing and snowboarding.

I grew up in Taos Ski Valley and have a real love for New Mexico and skiing here. Since acquiring my MBA in 2001, I have worked with several Santa Fe non-profit organizations. For the last six years I have also been a ski-instructor with a level II alpine certification from PSIA (Professional Ski Instructors of America.) I have found both these experiences to be extremely rewarding and feel lucky to have an opportunity to combine the two.

Although I have witnessed the impact of the ASP on the slopes over the years, I am new to the world of Adaptive Skiing. I look

forward to working with the disabled community and learning about adaptive equipment & teaching techniques. I hope to be on the slopes with you as much as possible and to learn first hand, what has made this program a continued success for last 20+ years.

Along with a new director, other changes are in store for the ASP this season. Rest assured, the same quality of lessons and rewarding volunteer opportunities will endure. Changes include new instructor jackets and more clinics focused on enhancing personal skiing. **COME TO ORIENTATION TO HEAR MORE!**

I look forward to this upcoming season and getting to know all of you. Please contact me with any questions you may have or to share any information that you think might be interesting or beneficial.

**THANK YOU & THINK SNOW!!!!!!**

## SAVE THE DATES

### New Volunteer Orientations

- ❖ Sandia  
November 1
- ❖ Santa Fe  
November 7

**Sandia Ski Swap**  
Nov. 3-4  
(special opening for volunteers on 11/2)

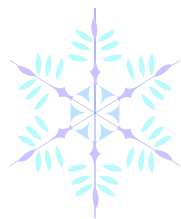
**Santa Fe Ski Swap**  
November 9-11

**Warren Miller Film at the Old Cinema Café**  
November 9

**Wreath Sales**  
(Now till Christmas)

**THE SNOWBALL**  
February 2

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## Volunteer Orientations Albuquerque & Santa Fe

**REQUIRED** for new volunteers

**STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** for returning instructors

Each orientation will cover:

- Volunteer commitments
- Volunteer Benefits
- Training & Season Schedule
- Q&A

The orientations provide a perfect opportunity for you to come and meet Katya, the new director and the new volunteer instructors. Most importantly come and share your wisdom.

### SANDIA PEAK ORIENTATION

**November 1, 2007 Thursday**

6:00-8:00pm

VA Hospital in Albuquerque

**Contact John & Jackie**

505-281-9292

[jjrenna@peoplepc.com](mailto:jjrenna@peoplepc.com)

### SKI SANTA FE ORIENTATION

**November 7, 2007 Wednesday**

6:00-8:00pm

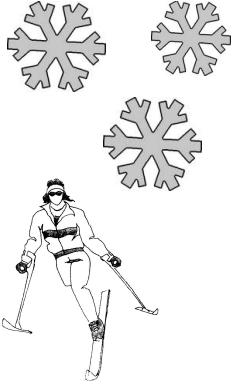
Ghost Ranch Santa Fe

(401 Old Taos Hwy.)

**Contact Henry Summa**

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*Improve your personal skiing while sharing the passion of snow spots with others!*

## SKI SWAP – Albuquerque & Santa Fe

### SUPPORT SANDIA SKI PATROL AND THE SANTA FE SKI TEAM

#### FIND GREAT DEALS ON USED EQUIPMENT & APPAREL

As the leaves begin to fall and the air gets cooler one cannot help but start to get wistful about the upcoming ski/snowboard season. Get an early start on the season by attending your local ski swap.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

Contact Katya for more details:  
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 (505)-995-9858

### SANDIA PEAK SKI SWAP

*Supports Sandia Peak Ski Patrol*

Expo New Mexico—Manual Lujan Bldg.

**NOV. 3 (Sat.) 9:00am - 4:00pm**  
**NOV. 4 (Sun.) 11:00am - 4:00pm**

[www.sandiapeakskipatrol.org](http://www.sandiapeakskipatrol.org)

### SANTA FE SKI SWAP

*Supports the Santa Fe Ski Team*

Geneveva Chavez Community Center

**NOV. 9 (Fri.) 8-10pm (pre sale)**  
**NOV. 10 (Sat.) 9:00am-5:00pm**  
**NOV. 11 (Sun) 10:00am-2:00pm**

[www.santafeskiteam.com](http://www.santafeskiteam.com)



*In 2006/2007, the Adaptive Ski Program provided almost 1000 lessons to more than 240 individuals.*



*"The diversity of snow crystal growth actually follows an order, and some crystal shapes appear frequently, others rarely."*

## Other Volunteer Opportunities

There are many ways to support the Adaptive Ski Program.

We are always looking for volunteers, not just on the snow but behind the scenes as well.

We have many volunteer opportunities to suit your interests and schedule. However you choose to volunteer, the generous donation of your time will help to ensure that skiing and snowboarding remain accessible to all New Mexicans living with disabilities that wish to be outdoors in the winter. See list to right.

### **THE ASP IS SEEKING NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

Join the adaptive ski program's board of directors! Expectations include attendance at two meetings each year and serving on at least one of the three volunteer committees. Contact Katya at 505-995-9858 or [adaptiveski@msn.com](mailto:adaptiveski@msn.com)

## ASP VOLUNTEER COMMITTEES:

### **FUNDRAISING**

The ASP engages in year-round fundraising. Help us sell holiday wreaths or serve on the planning committee for our annual Snowball. Help develop new fundraising opportunities for the ASP.

### **TRAINING**

The ASP is always striving to increase the quality of training provided by and for our volunteer instructors. Serve on this committee by:

- providing or helping to bring quality training to volunteers
- ensuring that we are using the most up to date materials
- creating and promoting more clinic opportunities

### **OUTREACH**

Help promote the ASP in the community. We are always looking for more volunteers, participants, ideas and donors. Be a part of this committee and help ensure the sustainability of our organization.

## Program and Training Schedule for 2007-2008

DATE OF EVENT	EVENT DESCRIPTION	TIME & LOCATION
November 1 Thursday	Sandia Peak orientation for new and returning instructors. For more information contact John Renna & Jackie Addis <a href="mailto:jjrenna@peoplepc.com">jjrenna@peoplepc.com</a>	VA Hospital Albuquerque 6-8pm
November 7 Wednesday	Santa Fe orientation for new and returning instructors. For more information contact Henry Summa at <a href="mailto:hsumma2007@gmail.com">hsumma2007@gmail.com</a>	Ghost Ranch Santa Fe 401 Old Taos Hwy 6-8pm
November 22 Thanksgiving	Tentative Opening for Sandia Peak and Ski Santa Fe	THINK SNOW!!!
January 5&6 Sat. & Sun.	New instructor training at Ski Santa Fe & Sandia Peak	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
January 12 Saturday	ATS training in Santa Fe for <b>ALL</b> volunteers Party afterwards in Santa Fe	Ski Santa Fe TBA
January 13 Sunday	Training for all instructors (new & returning)	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
January 18 Friday	Opening day of Session 1 -4wk program at Sandia – <b>FRIDAYS (Last day is February 8)</b>	Sandia Peak
January 24 Thursday	Opening day for students enrolled in the six-week program - THURSDAYS	Ski Santa Fe
January 26 Saturday	Opening day for students enrolled in six-week program - SATURDAYS	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
February 15 Friday	Opening day of Session 2- 4wk program at Sandia <b>FRIDAYS (Last day is March 7)</b>	Sandia Peak
January 27 Sunday	Opening day for students enrolled in six-week program - SUNDAYS	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
February 2 Saturday	<b>Annual Snowball!</b> Dinner, Entertainment & Silent Auction.	Santa Fe Hilton
February 16-17 Saturday & Sunday	<b>President's Weekend – No six week lessons</b>	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
February 28 Thursday	Last day for six week program THURSDAYS	Ski Santa Fe
March 5&6 Wed. & Thurs.	Friends Forever Ski Adventure Children with cancer and critical illness	Ski Santa Fe
March 8 Saturday	Last day for six week program SATURDAYS	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak
March 9 Sunday	Last day for the six week program SUNDAYS	Ski Santa Fe Sandia Peak

Visit [WWW.ADAPTIVESKI.ORG](http://WWW.ADAPTIVESKI.ORG) to see the most current schedule of upcoming ASP events

### MULTI-WEEK PROGRAM DATES

**THURSDAY** – Santa Fe only – Jan. 24, Jan. 31, Feb. 7, Feb. 14, Feb. 21, Feb. 28

**FRIDAY** – (Two four week sessions) Sandia Peak only

SESSION 1 – (Jan. 18, Jan. 25, Feb. 1, Feb. 8)

SESSION 2 – (Feb. 15, Feb. 22, Feb. 29, Mar. 7)

**SATURDAY** – Santa Fe & Sandia – (Jan. 26, Feb. 2, Feb. 9, (skip Feb 16<sup>th</sup>), Feb. 23, March 1, March 8)

**SUNDAY** – Santa Fe & Sandia – (Jan. 27, Feb. 3, Feb. 10, (skip Feb 17<sup>th</sup>), Feb. 24, March 2, March 9)

## NEW ADDRESS!!!

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*We're on the Web!*

*See us at:*

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

## El Niño vs. La Niña, what do they really mean?

### El Niño

The term El Niño (Spanish for "the boy") refers to a warm ocean current that typically appears around Christmas-time and lasts for several months, sometimes persisting into May or June. El Niño typically occurs every seven to fourteen years.

With El Niño, October through March tends to be wetter than usual from southern California eastward across Arizona, southern Nevada and Utah, New Mexico, and into Texas. There are more rainy days, and there is more rain per rainy day. El Niño winters can be two to three times wetter than La Niña winters in this region.

### La Niña

In contrast to El Niño, La Niña (female child) refers to an anomaly of unusually cold sea surface temperatures found in the eastern tropical Pacific. La Niña occurs roughly half as often as El Niño.

La Niñas occurred in 1904, 1908, 1910, 1916, 1924, 1928, 1938, 1950, 1955, 1964, 1970, 1973, 1975, 1988, 1995...

Since 1975, La Niñas have been only half as frequent as El Niños. La Niña conditions typically last approximately 9-12 months. Some episodes may persist for as long as two years.

## *So....EL NIÑO = More Powder days!*



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