FLATLAND SKI ASSOCIATION 2016 Ski Week Wrap Up

CONGRATULATIONS to all of the clubs and individuals on your outstanding performance at this year's Ski Week! Special congratulations go to those taking top honors:



#1 – Tulsa (2,428 Points)
#2 – Oklahoma City (2,264 Points)
#3 – Kansas City (2,155 Points)
#4 – Cornhuskers (1,850 Points)
#5 – Wichita (1,164 Points)
#6 – Columbia (883 Points)
#7 – St. Louis (681 Points)
#8 – Topeka (607 Points)
#9 – Omaha (589 Points)

Each club's Race Director received a copy of all of the race results, so for more details contact your club's Race Director. Results will also be posted at the FSA's Website:

https://sites.google.com/site/flatlandskiassociation/home

For more information on all things related to the FSA, don't forget to check the site on a regular basis. Also, please make sure that your club keeps the Webmaster and the FSA Secretary updated on all things related to your club, too.

OTHER SPECIAL AWARDS were also handed out at this year's banquet. The FSA Board awarded this year's **Judy Cup** to **Bill Hayes** of the St. Louis Ski Club in recognition of his many years of service as the club's race director, promoting and encouraging racers and the FSA, and his service as the FSA Race Director in the past. The Race Committee awarded this year's **Dave Vannett Trophy** to **John Seiler** of the Tulsa Ski Club. John has been a Flatlander for 50 years and, in addition, has served as the FSA's representative with the National Ski Council Federation for many years.

For more information on both of these special awards, and their history, visit our Website and click "Awards."

We're also happy to announce that **\$1,191** was raised for Telluride Adaptive Sports this year!

Final Thoughts from our FSA President, Dave Bosarge

It's been a few weeks now since we returned home after another great Flatlands Ski Association (FSA) Ski and Race Week. I hope you, like me, had a great time in Telluride. Like many of you I had never been to Telluride before and what a surprise it was. I must say it was a fantastic resort with great skiing and boarding conditions, a fun town, a great staff and friendly people.

I want to thank all of you for your support of the FSA, both long-time members and those who joined us for the first time this year. We enjoyed seeing you and really hope that you'll make the Flatlanders a regular part of your skiing experience each year. I has been a pleasure serving as your president for the past year, and I look forward to being able to serve as Past-President for the 2016-17 year.

I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to all the FSA officers, board members and all the people who volunteered their time to help make Flatlands possible. Without volunteers our ski clubs and the Flatland Ski week would not function or be able to be held year after year.

We look forward to seeing everyone next year at Steamboat Springs. If you have never been to Steamboat it is also another great resort that.

Thanks, and see you next year!

Comments from 2016 FSA Activities Director, Jack Kramer

Greetings to all who attended the FSA 2016 events at Telluride, Colorado.

I trust that all had a safe trip back home and that all have adjusted to reality once again.

I would like to say that it has been a pleasure for me to have been the Activities Director this year at Telluride. It has been an experience breaking new ground planning events at a location that we had never before held a Flatland Ski Association event. I hope that your experience was a positive one. In that light, I would like to solicit your input and any comments that may have concerning your experience at Telluride. It is important that the Officers and the Board of Directors be informed of both the positive and the negative aspects. At the upcoming FSA Summer Board Meeting to be held in June, I would like to present to the board a summary of your comments, suggestions, and any ideas that may be helpful in improving the annual FSA ski week.

I would like to have your comments on items such as communications; adequacy of facilities in handling the number of participants; quality of the food and speed of service at the Welcome Party and Awards Banquet; transportation in and around the resort; design of the tee shirt; adequacy of racing facilities; and any other items that may be of importance in planning our FSA event.

If you have any comments, suggestions, or would like rate any of the above mentioned items, please e-mail your comments to me by June 1, 2016 at the following address: <u>jkramer@centurylink.net.</u>

Again, thank you for the opportunity of being your Activities Director for 2016, and I hope to see you at Steamboat Springs in 2017. Until then, best wishes to all!

As with most organizations, nothing gets done in the FSA without dedicated volunteers! Our thanks to the officers who served in 2015-2016:

> Dave Bosarge – President Paul Snyder – Vice President Stephanie Fields – Secretary Matt Knechtel – Treasurer Jack Kramer – Activities Director Kelli Kinnamon – Race Director & Past President

And, of course, a big thanks to all of the individual club representatives and race directors who freely give their time!

Next FSA Board/Race Directors Meeting:

Saturday June 11, 2016 – Location TBD (Race Directors 10:00 a.m. & Board Members 12:00 p.m.)