



STeamboat Adaptive Recreational Sports ‘STARS’ provides recreational opportunities for people with disabilities, resulting in empowering and enriching the quality of life for its participants.

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Spring 2010 Newsletter

Keep your eye on the STARS website:
www.steamboatstars.com
 for updates to the programs as well as our calendar of events (includes all the camps). Forms to apply for scholarships or to become a volunteer are also on the website. Become a member and stay updated!
[Facebook.com/STARS.steamboat](https://www.facebook.com/STARS.steamboat)
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Thank you to all the contributors to STARS including primary donors Steamboat Ski & Resort Corporation, Neale Family Foundation, DeSo Foundation, TIC, YVCF, Steamboat Wine Festival, Adolph Coors Foundation, HBB Foundation.

A BIG thanks also to all the local Steamboat Springs businesses who contribute to our camps and fundraisers year round, we appreciate your support and could not provide our services without your help!

What a Winter!

This season was STARS biggest winter yet, providing more than 800 ski and snowboard lessons to 265 participants. 121 volunteers contributes 2800 hours! We held the most training ever for our adaptive staff, which resulted in some great experiences for STARS participants. We are proud to say with the help of all our initiatives in 2009, we served 25% more people than last year and provided almost three times the dollar value in scholarships! WOW!

In addition, we partnered with Adaptive Adventures in two camps, the adult All Mountain Camp in January and the STARS Youth Ski & Ride Camp in March. The kids camp in it's second year is now one of the biggest in the country and serves people with

cognitive and physical disabilities, and includes prospective Paralympians as well!

More great news—STARS became a Chapter of DSUSA this winter, which is great for our organization to be able to participate in opportunities provided by the governing body, as well as network and expand our reach into the adaptive community.

STARS made a huge presence in Steamboat Ski Area with our new office and equipment room located right in Gondola Square, as well as our fantastic new jackets as uniforms for our talented and dedicated volunteers. Thank you to all the volunteers, instructors and staff who made this winter our biggest and best ever!



But wait—there's more! SUMMER!

NEW in 2010! June 26-27 is STARS first ever independent summer camp, STARS Fishing Camp, sponsored by Steamboat Flyfisher. STARS will partner with Adaptive Adventures on two more camps in July: Hand Cycling Camp July 10-11 and the

Behind the Boat Water Sports Camp July 20-22. Keep posted to the website www.steamboatstars.com to register and keep up to date with all the latest info.



★ Volunteer Thank You ★

Of special note is that 121 volunteers gave 2800 hours of their time to the STARS program this winter season. We thank each of you for sharing your valuable time with our participants, training to improve our product and helping out with many aspects of the program. We couldn't do it without you! Our most worked volunteer was Lynne Downing who worked a massive 125 hours in just a few months! Thank you Lynne!

A special thank you also goes out to Tom Drew, Tom Dougan, Rich Landon, Paul Worster, Kate Richardson, Thomas Beachman, Dave Estey, Rainer Stammler, Lindy Weintraub and Christine Haxton, for dedicating SO much of your winter to the STARS program and participants. We look forward to working with all of you again in the summer months and the future years of the organization.



Special Donor:
Seven year old Emily Schneider donated \$10.00 to STARS after she worked for her neighbor cat sitting to earn the money. We thank Emily for her dedication to our program!



Photos Courtesy of Andy Kennedy

STARS DONATION FORM

Yes, I would like to help provide recreational opportunities for people with disabilities. Please accept my tax deductible gift of:

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Name on card : _____ Signature: _____

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