

Squaw Valley Ski Museum Foundation Hires New Director

The Squaw Valley Ski Museum Foundation (SVSMF) has named Jill Milne as its new executive director. Milne arrives with 20-plus years of experience in marketing, fundraising and events, including positions at Jackson Hole Mountain Resort, the 2002 Winter Olympics in Utah and the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens. As a volunteer, she has contributed hundreds of hours to Tahoe-area nonprofits.

Currently housed at the Gatekeeper's Museum in Tahoe City, the SVSMF has identified a site for a permanent home in Squaw Valley Park at the entrance to Olympic Valley. Milne will lead the organization through a critical phase of planning and fundraising to secure the site. This preliminary work will be supported by a \$125,000 development grant from the Placer County Board of Supervisors. Once complete, the museum will honor the 1960 Squaw Valley Winter Olympics and the skiers, snowboarders and ski-area pioneers who have influenced western winter sports

since the California gold rush.

ISHA will co-host a reception to celebrate SVSMF on March 22, during Skiing History Days, at the home of Eddy and Osvaldo Ancinas (see page 31). To learn more about the museum, go to www.OlympicSkiMuseum.com or email info@olympicskimuseum.com.

MAINE MUSEUM WINS \$25,000 GRANT TO UPGRADE KINGFIELD GALLERY

The Ski Museum of Maine received a \$25,000 grant from the H. King & Jean Cummings Charitable Fund of the Maine Community Foundation to renovate its gallery on Main Street in downtown Kingfield. The museum installed new lighting, flooring and displays, and at press time, a grand re-opening was scheduled for early December. For more information, call 207.265.2023, email info@skimuseumofmaine.org or go to www.skimuseumofmaine.org. ❄️



COLORADO HALL OF FAME INDUCTS FIVE: A crowd of 400 gathered in Vail on October 14 to celebrate the Colorado Snowsports Hall of Fame's induction gala. The newest inductees (left to right) include recently retired Steamboat Ski Resort president, author and ISHA board member Chris Diamond; SKEA Ltd. owner, president and designer Diane Boyer of Vail; former U.S. Ski & Snowboard Association national competition director Walt Evans; Aspen backcountry and ski mountaineering legend Chris Davenport; and Aspen ski racing administrator and official Dave Stapleton.



UTAH SKI AFFAIR: The J. Willard Marriott Library's Ski Archives staged its 27th annual Ski Affair on November 7 in Salt Lake City. The library's History-Maker Award went to the University of Utah ski team and the college's director of skiing, Kevin Sweeney (left). Last February the Utes won the NCAA skiing championships, the 11th title for the team. Ron Steele (right), former Utah three-time all-American ski jumper and U.S. Olympian (1972), who later served as president of Group Rossignol North America from 2012–2017, won the S. J. Quinney Award. The award is presented annually in recognition of contributions to skiing in the Inter-mountain Region.