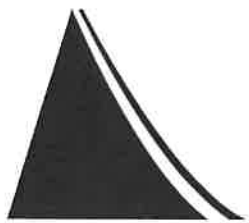


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NOMINATION FORM
For
HONORED MEMBERSHIP
In The
U.S. SKI & SNOWBOARD HALL OF FAME

Candidate's Name: Herman Kress Dupre'
Date & Place of Birth: August 13, 1932. Greensburg, PA

Address of Candidate: [REDACTED]

Telephone Number: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Is the candidate still living? If not, provide date and place of death: **Yes!**

Nominator information:

Name: Heidi Dupre' Hannah

Address: [REDACTED]

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For what category are you nominating this candidate?

Athlete: _____

Snowsports Builder: **X**

Heritage: **X**

(See appendix one at the end of this form for category definitions)
An 8 x 10 photograph of the candidate must be supplied: _____

State why the candidate merits election to the U.S. National Ski & Snowboard Hall of Fame (limit this statement to 250 words):

Herman Dupre's contribution to the ski industry merits recognition on several fronts. From growing Seven Springs Resort out of a small family farm to developing snow-making technologies that are critical to sustaining the industry today, Herman has spent his life driving innovation across multiple facets of the American Ski Industry. In recent decades, Herman has parlayed his success into philanthropic generosity with a focus on education.

Born in 1932 in Somerset, Pennsylvania to German immigrants, Herman grew up on a hilly farm helping his family build a private hunting and fishing club out of local stone and hand hewn timbers for the people of Pittsburgh. At 22, while serving as a Lieutenant in the Coast Guard, Herman was summoned home after his father died to take the reins of the farm/club and its two rope tows. A year later he installed a poma lift, obtained a liquor license in an otherwise dry township, and opened the club to the public. In the ensuing 50 years with Herman at the helm, Seven Springs Resort grew to a popular destination.

During this period, Herman also started tinkering with the idea of making snow with garden hoses, eventually developing his own snowmaking system. 34 patents later, HKD snow-guns are sold worldwide. At 85 years young, Herman continues to develop improvements to the system in his snow lab.

Like the alchemy of turning water to snow, Herman has turned his success in the ski industry into educational and athletic opportunities for future generations. His impact can be seen at the Sis and Herman Dupre' Science Pavilion at St. Vincent College. His snowmaking donations allow athletes at the Dartmouth Ski Way, and US Ski Team training run at Copper Mountain predictable snow.

From humble beginnings to innovative thinking and generous giving, the ski industry should be proud to have Herman Dupre' as a role model of what is possible from leaders in the industry.

In chronological order by year, list the candidate's achievements:

1932 Herman Kress Dupre' is Born in Greensburg PA to German Immigrants Alois and Helen Kress Dupre'.

1935 Dupre' family installs a rope tow on family farm (2nd rope tow in Nation)

1955 At age 23, Herman is called home from serving in the Coast Guard to take over Seven Springs and its two rope tows.

1956 Purchases Poma lift from Jean Pomagloski. Begins lifelong friendship.

1957 Marries Mary (Sis) McSwigan and literally moves into the ropetow motor house.

1958 The first of 9 daughters is born. The first chairlift is installed.

1973 Applies for his first of 34 patents related to snowmaking, sewage treatment and water storage.

1990 Introduces the tower snow gun to the market.

1991 Partners with daughter Anni and her husband Charles to form Snow Economics.

2001 Receives the Sherman Adams Award from the National Ski Areas Association.

2006 After 75 years in the family, Seven Springs Resort is sold to Nutting Family.

2007 Dupre' family gifts snowmaking to Dartmouth Ski Way.

2008 Receives the Presidential Medal of Honor from St. Vincent College for his lifetime work at the helm at Seven Springs and his contribution to snowmaking.

2010 Snow Economics teams with US Ski team to install Snowmaking on the Copper Mountain training run.

2013 The Sis and Herman Dupre' Science Pavilion is completed at St. Vincent's College.

Present: As chief engineer for Snow Economics, Herman continues to design and engineering improvements to snowmaking systems at his snow lab.

On one page provide additional data, anecdotes, etc. that you feel are pertinent to this nomination:

See Enclosed Ski Magazine Article November 2013
"Family Ties" by Edith Thys Morgan

Please list the names and addresses of those people who are supporting this nomination (Minimum of three - limit six):

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Please provide a list of sources for visual material that can be used at the candidate's induction presentation:

Snow Economics Factory Friday Interview: <https://vimeo.com/233821234>
Sis and Herman Dupre' Science Pavilion: <https://youtu.be/fNkDrYTDIWY>
Zen moment at the Snow Lab: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kcUsC1kDKfY>

Signature of nominator

Mail completed nomination form to: U.S. Ski & Snowboard Hall of Fame, P.O. Box 191, Ishpeming, MI 49849 or email to: administrator@skihall.com

