



Madison West Kiwanis Foundation, Inc. Ethel Allen Ski Scholarship Program 2011-2012

Program/Application Details

If you are awarded an Adaptive Skier Scholarship, you will be traveling to the Durango Mountain Resort in the San Juan Mountains of southwest Colorado. A mountain atmosphere, friendly people, and an exciting, life-changing experience will be part of a six-day, all-expense paid trip. The scholarship provides an opportunity for adults with physical disabilities to rediscover their potential, successfully meet and overcome challenges, learn and enjoy a new sport, travel and make new friends.

The Madison West Kiwanis Club Foundation received a generous gift from the Ethel Allen Trust that provides scholarship funds for as many as four people from the greater Madison area to learn to ski under the careful direction of the Adaptive Sports Association (ASA) ski instructors at Durango. The ASA is one of the country's best ski schools for people with disabilities.

Although all applicants will be considered, ideal candidates are local adults over age 18 with an acquired physical disability who want to or already participate regularly in athletic activities, are able to travel by air to Durango, CO, are new to disabled skiing or snowboarding, and who can help "spread the word" about the program within their communities and support organizations.

The only cost to scholarship individuals will be any out-of-pocket expenses in Durango.

If you require an attendant, he/she may accompany you on this trip, but you will be responsible for the attendant's expenses.

Here are the key dates related to the program and the application/selection process:

- **November 8, 2011:** Deadline for scholarship applications. An application is available from the Madison West Kiwanis website (www.madisonwestkiwanis.com).
- **Nov. 14-18, 2011:** Half hour interviews will be scheduled for all scholarship candidates. You will be contacted by phone or email about an interview date/time. Interviews will be held at the UW Foundation, 1848 University Ave., Madison.
- **Dec. 16, 2011:** Date you will be notified if you have been selected to receive one of the Kiwanis ASA scholarships.
- **Feb. 20 – Feb. 25, 2012 or March 5-10, 2012:** Tentative dates for trip to Durango, CO, to enjoy four days of skiing. Flight arrangements will be made on your behalf, departing from Madison on Monday, and returning on Saturday.

Email (ksaville@wi.easterseals.com), fax or mail applications to:

Madison West Kiwanis ASA Scholarship
C/O Ken Saville
4106 Melody Lane
Madison, WI 53704
FAX: 608-277-8333

If you need additional information or have questions, contact Ken Saville at 608/277-8288, EXT. 108 or by email (ksaville@wi.easterseals.com).

Visit the ASA Durango website (www.asadurango.org) for additional information about this opportunity.