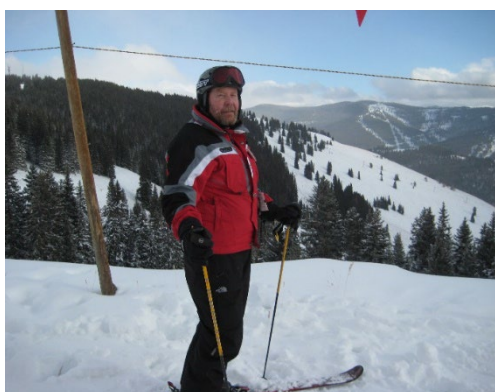


## DICK WHITE

If you wanted to find Dick White, you'd look in a unique equipment shack at Liberty Mountain. It holds one of the most amazing collections of skis and boards created for skiers and riders with a range of disabilities. There, in the middle of racked Bi-skis, Sliders, Mono-skis, skis-with-no-name and Outriggers, you would see Dick working on the Adaptive equipment he acquired, managed and maintained for a dynamic program. He and his wife Leslie had created BRASS, the Blue Ridge Adaptive Snow Sports organization. Dick's interest had gravitated to the unique, often one-of-a-kind equipment that allows people with mild to severe disabilities to thrive on snow covered trails.



Thousands who thought an active outdoor life-style was beyond their capabilities found themselves on the mountain and mastering the challenge. Many wrote to praise Dick and Leslie White including a volunteer instructor who rose from the ranks of BRASS students. "Seeing happy tears on a parent's face as they watch their child come down a hill on skis for the first time when they are barely able to walk, or a smile on the face of a

wounded veteran who has lost a leg and did not think it possible to do sports ever again, is indescribable. Dick and Leslie White's vision made this and continues to make this possible for many."

After a lifetime of contributions to our sport, the Whites have retired. Dick has been honored for over 25 years of Special Olympics leadership. He and Leslie had devoted over three decades to teaching Adaptive Skiing and training the BRASS instructors at Liberty Mountain. Dick was instrumental in hand-picking the volunteers who formed the core of staff members dedicated to rehabilitation services. His and Leslie's work goes on as a living testimonial through the skills of staff and volunteers groomed and mentored by two Pennsylvania snow-sport heroes.



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