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## **Adaptive Snowsports School Brings the Slopes to Everyone**

Sacramento- Disabled Sports USA Far West announces the opening of its adaptive snowsports school (formerly the Tahoe Adaptive Ski School) on December 14, 2006 at Alpine Meadows Resort in North Lake Tahoe. Founded on the slopes of Lake Tahoe in 1967 by World War II Veterans, the adaptive snowsports school is one of the first in the world specializing in adaptive skiing and is registered as a member with the Professional Ski Instructors of America.

Adaptive snowsports instruction is offered seven days a week from December 14, 2006 to April 15, 2007, weather permitting. Instruction is available to people of all ages and abilities and anyone with a physical, cognitive, or developmental disability can participate. "We have a lot of equipment that has been developed here over the last 40 years" said Doug Pringle. "We have worked with a number of engineers and developed equipment that is now used all over the world." Pringle, a disabled Vietnam Veteran, was one of the programs original participants back in 1967 and is the current President of the organization.

Disabled Sports USA Far West is a leading national nonprofit, which provides sports and recreation programs as a vehicle in the development of a positive self-image and an achieving attitude for people with disabilities. It is the nations largest multi-sport, multi-disability organization and is one of 87 chapters of Disabled Sports USA.

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