



Knox Frank Memorial Scholarship for Avalanche Education

Knox Frank loved the mountains. The love he had for these wild high places was more than an infatuation, it was a need. This passion, combined with his charismatic wit, was simply contagious. The only thing that made the mountains better for Knox was sharing them with friends, of which he had many.

Knox moved to the Colorado Rockies after college and surrounded himself with others who shared his deep appreciation of their beauty, challenges, and magic. Whether skiing laps at the resort or the Grand Traverse, Knox was up for it. His love of snow and winter took him to Canada, the Cascades, Wyoming, Montana, and Utah. He loved adventures, was a hard worker, and reaped the unique rewards that come only in the mountains. Knox was everyone's companion. He built bridges and community, shared his knowledge with his partners, and mentored many into accomplished backcountry skiers and mountaineers. What we all know best about Knox was his ability to continuously find time for others, always keep an easy smile, and his uncanny sense of when to deliver an encouraging word.

Knox died skiing with a group of friends in a spring avalanche, 2012. This scholarship honors Knox's memory as a skier, community member, mentor and friend. It provides an opportunity for a backcountry enthusiast to take an avalanche course in Crested Butte, CO. This scholarship is unique in that it offers the chosen participant to walk in Knox's shoes, in his beloved backcountry community of Crested Butte, where his memory is still strong and alive. This is an incredible opportunity for someone to further his/her backcountry education while experiencing a memorable time in a true ski town community. The chosen winner will receive a FREE avalanche education package in Crested Butte, CO which includes:

- Enrollment in any scheduled AIARE Level 1, Level 2, or Refresher Course with Crested Butte Mountain Guides,
- Lodging from Irwin Outfitting,
- Breakfast supplied by First Ascent Coffee Roasters
- Evening food and beverages provided by The Brick Oven Pizzeria and Pub.

Scholarship qualifications:

Applicants are required to submit a short video (no more than 3 minutes) or an essay (no more than 2000 words) describing who you are, your passion for the outdoors and for skiing, and how you will use your newfound knowledge to educate your community and/or friends. We also need to know:

- where you live
- what course you are interested in
- your age
- Your telephone number

Upon completion of the course, the scholarship recipient will be required to provide the following:

- an essay about what they learned
- 5 pictures from the course
- a thank you note to the scholarship committee

To apply please send in your essay or video application by December 31, 2014 to: Knox Frank Memorial Scholarship, % The Brick Oven Pizzeria and Pub, PO Box 2283, Crested Butte, CO 81224 or to brian@brickovenb.com (subject: Knox Scholarship).

The winner will be announced January 15, 2015 via telephone. All applicants and friends are invited to a party held on Knox's birthday, January 26, 2015, at The Brick Oven Pizzeria and Pub.