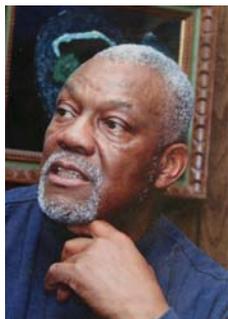


HAROLD BENJAMIN PLUMMER



Harold Benjamin Plummer has been personally responsible for introducing over 70,000 students to the sport of skiing, in the state of Pennsylvania. He conceived, created, coordinated and directed a unique Washington D.C. based skiing program for inner city youth that set a standard across the country.

Harold was a teacher who began his career in health and physical education a half-century ago at the W. Bruce Evans Jr. High School in Washington, D.C. In 1971, he began seeing top athletes from the DC area leave college and return home for reasons that had nothing to do with their talent. Many were unable to adjust to school away from home.

Harold felt his new personal sport, alpine skiing offered an opportunity to expose the students of W. Bruce Evans to a new environment, away from home and offer experience with other ethnic groups while learning a lifetime winter sport. Thus, in early March of 1973 he established the Evans Educational Ski Program. This new program needed a ski resort to call home. Liberty Mountain Resort, located in Carroll Valley, Pennsylvania became its partner.

In 1981, other schools joined the program. It expanded beyond one day ski trips to include a multi-day end of season championship at Seven Springs Mountain Resort . In 1988, a D.C. Board of Education member observed the Evans/Miller Educational Ski Workshop at Seven Springs . He suggested bringing younger students to the slopes. That fall 6 elementary schools joined the program. And Harold was given a new role in the athletic office to coordinate a city-wide ski program for the District of Columbia Public Schools.

The program expanded again in 1991 with the addition of senior high schools. The program grew exponentially and now as many as 120 schools and upwards of 70,000 students have been participated.

Harold also knew the importance of honing his own skiing skills and in 1985 he joined the Liberty Mountain Snowsports School staff as an instructor.

Sadly, Harold passed away on August 24, 2011, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was much more than a teacher and a coach. He was a mentor for fatherless children, and he was always the source of caring and discipline for his peers and students alike.