



INDEPENDENCE PASS FOUNDATION

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Tomas Pevney, M.D., and Mark L. Purnell, M.D.
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Dear Tom and Mark,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Independence Pass Foundation, I am writing to thank you and Orthopaedic Associates of Aspen for your Forest Sponsorship donation of \$500, received April 25, 2011, and directed to our Seventeenth Annual Ride for the Pass. We greatly appreciate your generous support of this popular community event. Unfortunately, the adage, "Mother Nature doesn't always cooperate," was proven true once again on the morning of the scheduled Ride. Despite the Foundation's best efforts to adapt to falling snow by delaying the start of the Ride and moving the finish line to a lower elevation, the weather won out. Due to safety considerations, we cancelled the Ride for the first time in 17 years, but treated would-be bike riders to a great party at the Sky Hotel where dozens of drawing prizes from valley businesses were given away. Party-goers accepted the cancellation with grace and good cheer.

We are especially grateful for the income from Ride Sponsors this year. All of the Ride expenses were incurred in advance. Moreover, our expenses were even higher due to our having to deal with weather issues, and our registration income was down because the weather discouraged so many who would have registered otherwise. For those reasons, we asked those who registered to consider making their registration fees a donation to IPF. Most all registered riders very generously chose to do that.

Enclosed is a copy of the full-page "thank you" ad recognizing all Ride supporters that appeared in the June 6, 2011 issue of *The Aspen Times* and *Glenwood Springs Post Independent*. We appreciate your generosity, and we look forward to working with you next year on a snow-free Eighteenth Annual Ride for the Pass. The Board and staff of IPF wish you a wonderful summer!

Regards,

Bob Wade, President

*Tom & Mark,
THANKS FOR
ADD'NL TO THE
CONTRIBUTION OF OUR
EFFORTS!*

*Tom & Mark,
thank you for your
help this year!
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cc: George Trantow

P.S. Your donation is fully tax-deductible. No goods or services were provided in consideration for the donation received. IPF's federal tax identification number is 84-1133782.

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