



## **HARALD (POP) SORENSEN**

**Started skiing as a youngster to get to school in Asker, Norway. Competition started at 13, winning many junior meets, advancing to Class A, placing high in the Holmenkollen, the Norwegian Nations, and the Swedish Nationals.**

- 1929** Moved to the U.S. Known as one of skiing' most popular competitor in the classic Nordic events winning many titles. Two times a member on NSA's All-American Jumping team; cracked hill records; twice a runner-up in Class A Nationals.
- 1936** Won a position on the U.S. Olympic team, but could not compete since his citizenship papers were not complete.
- 1937** Became a National Jumping Judge
- 1941** Joined the U.S. Army instructing different patrols and regiments during the war; continues as an advisor to the Mountain-Ski Committee at Fort Carson, CO.
- 1946** Became a certified ski instructor; Later became a teacher for youth at the Denver Post-Winter Park Ski School, free for 4 – 18 year olds, how to jump on a complex of nine hills, each progressing up to the final 60-meter slide.
- 1950** Coached the US Ski Team in the World Nordic Championship
- 1952** Olympic jump coach for the team in Oslo, Norway.
- 1971** Received the Russell Wilder Memorial Award in recognition of the year's most outstanding work with youth in skiing.
- Received the Halstad Memorial Award, the highest honor in doing the most for skiing during the year.