



WALTER BIETILA

- 1916** Born and raised in Ishpeming, MI, member of the famous Bietila family.
- 1936** Member of the US Olympic Ski Team in Garmisch, Germany.
- 1940** Member of the US Olympic Ski Team that never was because of WWII. Joined the Naval Air Force during WWII, continuing to jump when he was able.
- 1941, 1946, 1948** Came close to winning a US National title.
- 1948** Member of the US Olympic Ski Team and was made captain.
- 1948-51** Served as Treasurer of the Central US Ski Association
- 1952** Appointed as a ski official in the Central Officers Assoc.
- 1956** Served as a member of the US Olympic Committee
- 1960** Chairman of the Jumping Committee for the selection of the Olympic Ski Jumping Team; was Coach and Manager of the team
- 1962** Coached the F.I.S. Jumping Team at Zakopane, Poland.
- 1965** Elected to the National Ski Hall of Fame
- 1966** Was one of the two American judges at the F.I.S. Championships in Norway.