



2017 International Skydiving Hall of Fame Celebration Event!

September 21–23 • Chicagoland Skydiving Center

SPECIAL 2017 CELEBRATION EVENT INSERT

"Man small. Why fall? Skies call. That's all." Andy Keech, Skies Call

The freedom of freefall, the peacefulness of the parachute ride, the camaraderie that lasts a lifetime . . . from start to finish, this is what brings a diverse cross section of individuals together. It is our shared passion — "Skies call. That's all."



What better place to share your passion for this great sport than with 300 of your closest friends at the 2017 International Skydiving Hall of Fame Celebration Event September 21–23 at Chicagoland Skydiving Center (CSC), Rochelle, Illinois? Our annual weekend fundraiser of jumping, celebrating, catching up with old friends and making new ones, and chatting with skydiving's legends, has become the go-to event for the skydiving community! And you won't want to miss the highlight of the weekend . . . the induction of the Class of 2017 into the International Skydiving Hall of Fame. The weekend is expected to raise \$100,000 for the museum. You won't want to miss it!

The Early Bird Registration/Package Pick-up will be Thursday, September 21, from 4 pm to 8 pm, in the Pope Valley Pioneers Lounge at CSC. CSC will offer complimentary shuttle service to/from local hotels throughout the weekend (contact information will be available closer to the event). A welcome reception will be held at the Pioneers Lounge, sponsored by Pope Valley Parachute Ranch (Curt Curtis and Tim Saltonstall), Thursday from 4 pm to 10 pm. The lounge will also be open for libations and conversation Friday 12 noon to 10 pm and Saturday 12 noon to 4 pm.

Every year, as part of our Hall of Fame Celebration event, the weekend festivities include paying tribute to an entity that has been a major influence in the leadership and growth of our sport. CSC, together with Pat Thomas (Museum Trustee), will organize a Tribute Jump to this year's Honoree: PIA and its Founding Members. This Tribute Jump will be on Friday afternoon and will be followed by the Welcome BBQ.



The Celebration Event is all about celebrating the induction of five truly remarkable individuals to the International Skydiving Hall of Fame, for their lifelong commitment to the sport of skydiving. The International Skydiving Hall of Fame Class of 2017 is *Richard "Buzz" Bennett, Roy C. Johnson (posthumous), General John "Jack" K. Singlaub, Graeme K. Windsor, and Pat Works (posthumous)*. Larry Bagley (Museum Trustee) will coordinate with CSC to honor the 2017 Hall of Fame inductees, who have put their unique and distinctive stamp on our sport, with a Tribute Jump. PIA has graciously returned for its eighth year as the Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony Presenting Sponsor.

The Pro-Am Scrambles have become a way to get superstars and jumpers of varied experience together to get involved in the weekend celebration. It is a competition for all jumpers with wide-ranging experience, and a chance to jump with the best skydivers from CSC. Each team will consist of a PRO Team Captain who will draw three other names to fill out the 4-way team. The competition includes four jumps with video, professional team photos and a day of coaching from the PROS — and an all-around fantastic 4-way experience.

Of course, there will be fun jumping going on all weekend. CSC has lots of ideas to add some interesting twists to your fun jumping.

So join us the weekend of September 21–23 at Chicagoland Skydiving Center, Rochelle, Illinois. You can use the enclosed form to register or visit our website beginning in mid-June for registration information. You can also show your support with various sponsorship opportunities, including having banners displayed all weekend and by making monetary contributions that will be recognized in the weekend program book.

The purpose of the International Skydiving Museum & Hall of Fame™ is to recognize and promote the sport of skydiving through public education and awareness; recognize the contribution to skydiving by its participants, suppliers and supporters; capture forever the history of the sport via its events, equipment, and personalities; and enhance aviation safety.

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Sponsorship Opportunities

A big THANK YOU to the sponsors who have committed to supporting our 2017 International Skydiving Hall of Fame Celebration Event! If you would like to be a sponsor for this year's celebration event, please indicate your level of support on the enclosed registration form or call Nancy Kemble, Museum Administrator, 540-604-9745 or email nkemble@skydivingmuseum.org. Additional sponsorships are available based on your interest, ideas and contribution level.

Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction Ceremony Presenting Sponsor — \$10,000 — PIA — SOLD



Venue Sponsor — Chicagoland Skydiving Center — SOLD



Official Media Sponsor — Skydive TV — SOLD



Skydiving Hall of Fame Reception Sponsor — \$2,500 Name incorporated in title, i.e., Skydiving Hall of Fame Reception sponsored by (name); prominent logo placement in all marketing and promotion materials; full-page ad in Hall of Fame program book; tickets for four which includes admission to Honoree Tribute and Welcome BBQ, Pioneers Lounge, and Hall of Fame Reception, Banquet and Induction Ceremony and four event T-shirts; 3' x 6' banner prominently hung during the Hall of Fame Reception; recognition in event goodie bags and on museum website with link to sponsor's website.

Honoree Tribute Presentation and Welcome BBQ Sponsor — \$2,500 Name incorporated in title, i.e., Honoree Tribute Presentation and Welcome BBQ sponsored by (name); opportunity to speak at BBQ, prominent logo placement in all marketing and promotion materials; full-page ad in Hall of Fame program book; tickets for four which includes admission to Honoree Tribute and Welcome BBQ, Pioneers Lounge, and Hall of Fame Reception, Banquet and Induction Ceremony and four event T-shirts; 3' x 6' banner prominently hung during the BBQ; recognition in event goodie bags and on museum website with link to sponsor's website.

Pioneers Lounge Sponsor — \$2,500 — Pope Valley Parachute Ranch — SOLD



Celebration Event Program Book Sponsor — \$2,000 Full-page ad on inside front cover of Hall of Fame program book; tickets for two which includes admission to Honoree Tribute and Welcome BBQ, Pioneers Lounge, and Hall of Fame Reception, Banquet and Induction Ceremony and two event T-shirts; 2' x 4' banner on display at registration; recognition in event goodie bags and on museum website with link to sponsor's website.

Pioneers of Sport Parachuting Reunion Lunch Sponsor — \$1,500 — Strong Enterprises — SOLD



Hall of Fame Inductees' Blue Blazer Sponsor — \$1,500 — Kirk Knight — SOLD

Inductees' Dinners Sponsor — \$1,000 Recognition of sponsorship included at each inductee's table setting; acknowledgment of sponsorship in Hall of Fame program book; recognition in event goodie bags and on museum website with link to sponsor's website.

Centerpiece Sponsor — \$1,000 Signage displaying sponsorship placed in each table arrangement at the Hall of Fame Banquet; acknowledgment of sponsorship in Hall of Fame program book; recognition in event goodie bags and on museum website with link to sponsor's website.

Guest Giveaway Sponsor — \$1,000 — Law Offices of Robert L. Feldman/Robert & Jeanine Feldman — SOLD



Pro-Am Fun 4-Way Scrambles Competition Sponsor — \$1,000 — Skydive Perris — SOLD



Exclusive Name Badge / Lanyard Sponsor — CYPRES2 — SOLD



Celebration Event Program Book Ad — \$250 Provide us with your company's ad or provide us with the copy and/or logo and we'll create a full-page ad for you in the program book (*ad specs will be provided once response form is received at museum office*). A great way to honor Hall of Fame inductees.

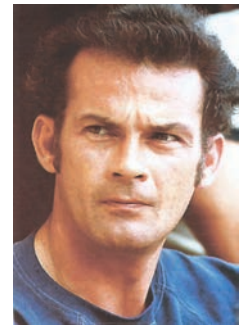
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Introducing the Hall of Fame Class of 2017 . . .

Richard “Buzz” Bennett, Canadian D-71, is one of Canada’s foremost sport parachuting personalities, with more than 6,300 jumps since making his first in 1966. He chaired the Competition and National Teams Committee of the Canadian Sport Parachute Association (CSPA) from 1975 through 1991, and during that time created its Judge Rating Program and authored a Canadian Judge Training Manual, which is still in use today. He was chief judge at four World Parachuting Championships in the 1980s, as well as the chief of judge training at the 1991 World Championships. He is still an active judge. Buzz served as Canada’s delegate to the International Parachuting Commission (IPC) for 40 years, retiring in 2015. During his tenure, he sat on the Style & Accuracy, and Canopy Piloting Committees and chaired the Sporting Code Working Group, and the Rules & Regulations Committee. He was the IPC Treasurer for 14 years as a member of the IPC Bureau. FAI awarded him the 1983 Paul Tissandier Diploma (for serving the cause of general aviation), the 1999 IPC Leonardo da Vinci Diploma (for specific achievements in sport parachuting), and CSPA honored him with its highest non-competitive award, the 2005 Glenn Masterson Memorial Trophy for services to CSPA and Canadian parachuting. Buzz is a commercial pilot with more than 1,200 hours, many of them flying jumpers.



Roy C. Johnson, D-589, made his first jump in 1961 at the Cleveland Parachute Center, Parkman, Ohio, and was one of America’s most accomplished competitors during the late 1960s and early 1970s in the classic events of style & accuracy. Known for his dedicated training regimen and being years ahead of his time, especially as a stylist, he was a four-time National Overall Champion, being the first person to average under seven seconds in the style event at the U.S. National Championships. Roy was the favorite to become Men’s Overall World Champion at the 1972 World Championships in Tahlequah, Oklahoma, before he was forced to withdraw due to a major injury. Roy was a true professional who gladly gave of himself as a mentor and coach so the next generation of competitors might also succeed. He coached the U.S. Team to gold medal Women’s and silver medal Men’s parachute teams at the 1976 World Championships in Italy. He was the first skydiver to be awarded the USPA 24-hour Freefall Badge and ended his illustrious career with 4,522 skydives. Roy was an accomplished jump pilot for several drop zones and later became an airline pilot for Continental Airlines. Although he was notified of the honor of induction into the International Skydiving Hall of Fame Class of 2017, he passed away in April.



Major General John “Jack” Singlaub, B-508, graduated from UCLA with an Army Reserve commission in 1943 and went straight to jump school. While serving in a parachute regiment at Fort Benning, Georgia, he joined the Office of Strategic Services (OSS, later the CIA), and was inserted by parachute into occupied France to organize, train, and lead a French Resistance unit during World War II, which provided assistance to the Allied invasion forces. He served as a security and defense advisor to several U.S. presidents — from Roosevelt to Carter — retiring in 1977 as a two-star general. Fortunately for the skydiving community, he became involved in promoting skydiving within the military community, ultimately leading the effort to allow military personnel to skydive on military installations and “off post” with the civilian community, thereby benefitting both. He went on to assume leadership positions on the Parachute Club of America (forerunner of USPA) board as a national director and chairman of the board, leaving the board in 1975 after 10 years. During his tenure, he was key in gaining aircraft support for U.S. Parachute Teams and for the 1972 World Parachuting Championships in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. He also served as head of delegation for the 1965 U.S. Parachute Team that competed at the Adriatic Cup in Europe. He’s a USPA Lifetime member.



Graeme K. Windsor, Australian F-59, has devoted his life to skydiving since his first jump in October 1968 in Papua New Guinea. He has won many Australian National Championships medals in style, accuracy, para-ski, and formation skydiving and has competed extensively in FAI World Championships, winning the 1982 Team Accuracy bronze medal in Lučenec, Czechoslovakia. He has been a national coach, operations and safety manager, chief instructor, instructor examiner, and a parachute rigger. He was a member of the Australian Parachute Federation (APF) board, which included stints as chairman, alternate IPC delegate and later the delegate. He was the APF Chief Executive Officer, retiring in 2008. Graeme has served in almost every capacity during his illustrious career including terms as Head of Delegation, Controller and Jury member at several world championships. He is the longest-serving President of the FAI’s International Parachuting Commission (nine years). The FAI made him a Companion of Honor and he is an FAI President of Honor having served as President of the Air Sports General Commission from 2011 to 2016. Graeme still jumps regularly with over 7,000 jumps and he competed at the 2016 World Parachuting Championships at Skydive Chicago. He is the Air Sport Australia Confederation treasurer and is a member of the organizing committee for the 2018 World Parachuting Championships to be held in Queensland, Australia.



Pat Works, D-1813, was an avid promoter of sequential formation skydiving (a.k.a. relative work) since his first jump in 1961 at the Houston Parachute Club. For the next half-century, Pat’s passion was to share the joy of freefall, publishing the *RWunderground Newsletter* along with his wife, Jan. His words instructed, entertained and inspired skydivers worldwide, and his first book, *The Art of Freefall Relative Work*, was translated into three languages. He wrote two more books: *United We Fall*, and *The Art of vRW*. Pat conducted many free training camps in Australia, England, France, Germany, and the USA to teach freefall techniques. He was instrumental in introducing 10-way competition at the USPA Nationals in 1972, and founded a grassroots RW Council for sharing ideas, debate, and news. He competed throughout his skydiving years, and served on USPA’s Board of Directors from 1981 to 1987. Pat was honored by USPA with the 2013 Gold Medal for Meritorious Service, “For over 50 years of contribution as a teacher, innovator, author and competitor...” His final gift to the sport before passing in late 2016 with over 8,200 jumps is the *Skydiving Encyclopedia*, an online collaborative “wiki” for the International Skydiving Museum & Hall of Fame.



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Hotel Room Block Information

We have secured room blocks at two hotels for weekend celebration event guests. Space is limited so please make your reservations early.

Holiday Inn Express

1240 Dement Road
Rochelle, IL 61068
815-562-9994

Room block rate is \$95 for a king or 2 doubles

Call hotel directly and ask for the Skydiving

Museum room block or go to:

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Super 8 Motel

601 E. Hwy 38
Rochelle, IL 61068
815-561-4140

Room block rate is \$80 for 2 queen beds

Call hotel directly and ask for the Skydiving

Museum room block to make your reservations.

CSC will have complimentary shuttle service to/from local hotels. Specific information will be available closer to the event.

CSC Camping and RV Park

Free wifi is accessible on the entire CSC campus.

Tent camping is available on the flat grass areas next to the building and parking lot. It's just a few steps to bathrooms, showers, the building, Flight Deck Bar & Grill and courtyard bonfire pit.

CSC also offers full-service RV hook-ups including electric, sewer, and water services to every slot in a private RV community. RV park residents have access to a 24-hour guest shower house, bathrooms and key code access to the CSC hangar facilities for coin-operated laundry machines, private shower rooms and guest lounge with TV.

Please contact the DZ directly to arrange tent or RV camping.

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Hall of Fame Celebration Event**
Skydive City, Zephyrhills, Florida
November 1-3, 2018

Schedule of Events *(subject to change)*

Thursday, September 21

4 pm-8 pm — Early Bird Registration/Package Pick-up —
Pioneers Lounge
4 pm-10 pm — Early Bird Reception — Pioneers Lounge —
sponsored by Pope Valley Parachute Ranch

Friday, September 22

All Day — Fun Jumping
10 am-5 pm — Registration Open
12 noon-10 pm — Pioneers Lounge Open
11 am-12 noon — Tiny Broadwick Presentation by
Bob Lewis
1 pm-2 pm — Pioneers Lunch sponsored by Strong
Enterprises *(tickets required)*
1 pm-1:30 pm — "Gear through the Years"
Presentation Sponsored by PIA
5 pm-5:30 pm — Honoree Tribute Jump
5:30 pm — Honoree Presentation
6 pm-9 pm — Welcome BBQ *(tickets required)*
7 pm — Drawing for Pro-Am 4-Way Fun Scrambles Teams

Saturday, September 23

All Day — Fun Jumping
9 am — ProAm 4-way Scrambles Competition
9 am-4 pm — Registration Open
12 noon-4 pm — Pioneers Lounge Open
1:30 pm-2 pm — "Gear through the Years" Presentation
4 pm-4:30 pm — Hall of Fame Inductees Tribute Jump
6 pm-10 pm — Hall of Fame Reception, Banquet and
Induction Ceremony — Big Hangar — reception
begins at 6 pm; banquet and induction ceremony
begins at 7 pm — Banquet and induction ceremony
presented by PIA *(pre-registration required)*

****All activities take place at Chicagoland Skydiving Center***

****Complimentary shuttle service to/from local hotels will be available***