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# News Release



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## Local Organization Receives Forest Service Award

Logan, Utah, July 6, 2016 - Nordic United, a local non-profit organization, was recently recognized by the Forest Service for their accomplishments and contributions. Jennefer Parker, Logan District Ranger, presented the U.S. Forest Service Volunteers and Service Award at a recent event. The national award is presented annually to volunteers and organizations.

Nordic United was recognized in the Citizen Stewardship and Partnership category for the public opportunities they promote to enjoy safe, winter recreation on National Forest System lands. The group was honored for significant achievements including: grooming cross-country ski trails, organizing winter-recreation classes and events, and encouraging human-powered recreation.

Nordic United provides cross-country ski classes for all ages, with a particular focus on introducing children ages 4-12 to cross-country skiing. Their most unique event is a backcountry ski mountaineering race called the CROWBAR, one of a few held outside the bounds of a ski area. Since 2005, NU has partnered with the Forest Service to safely deliver these programs promoting the agency's priorities of connecting kids and adults to nature.

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Jennefer Parker, Logan District Ranger, stated, “Without the dedication of Nordic United volunteers the Forest Service wouldn’t have the capability to provide a quality winter trail system. We are grateful for their service in providing a sustainable Nordic ski program for the last 10 years.”

During the 10-year partnership with the Forest Service, Nordic United has been a community leader in promoting non-motorized winter recreation and safety. Nordic United has consistently providing an exceptional commitment in assisting the Forest Service in providing winter recreation opportunities for all ages on public lands.

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