LARS HAUGEN

1891  Born in Norway and emigrated to the U.S. at the age of 18. He settled in Minnesota continuing his winning as a top ski jumper as he had in Norway.

1912, 1915, 1918, 1922, 1924, 1927, 1928  National Class A Champion

1918, 1927, 1928  Longest standing jump at the National Ski Association Nationals.

1919  National record of 214’, set in Steamboat Springs, CO.

1929  Tahoe City, CA – Designed and directed the construction of the 60 meter hill known as Olympic Hill. The city lost the bid to host the 1932 Olympics and the hill was used sparingly.

He organized the Lake Tahoe Ski Club and as a leader of that era was directly responsible for the ski boom in Northern California which lead to the establishment of Squaw Valley some 30 years later.

1939  Married wife Cora, and after a brief honeymoon at the Chicago World’s Fair, headed west to Lake Tahoe. He helped organize the Western ski clubs.

1940  Returned to Minneapolis and was Chief Inspector for the Northland Ski Co.

1963  Elected to the National Ski Hall of Fame in Ishpeming, MI.

1969  Died in Minneapolis.