FRIENDS OF ALTA

In Memory of
Naomi Wain
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Naomi Wain

We are sad to share the news that our dear friend, Naomi Wain passed away on June 14, 2015 at age 93 while attending a music festival. Her inspiring presence and personality will be missed all around the Alta community. Naomi motivated all of us to ski and enjoy every minute of it. We hope we can all be so lucky to enjoy the sport for as long as she did. FOA President Mimi Levitt reflects, "Naomi truly was remarkable – she had a sophisticated sense of humor, a feisty spirit, and uncompromising intelligence. She had an ideal combination of principles, brains, charm, drive, humor, and compassion."

Naomi's daughter writes, "I know she truly treasured you and her Alta family! You and Alta made her life worth living, especially these last few years. Please know that she was having a wonderful time at the Ojai Music Festival… And it was very sudden. She went the way she hoped she would, at the top of her life, doing something she enjoyed, and ending with no fuss or apologies. It was indeed a great year for her! In addition to her usual ski trips, she skied the Alps in France with the 70+ club, went to the Galapagos Islands, drove herself up the coast of California on Highway 1 (including a 3-4 hour stretch on a winding 2-lane highway hugging the cliffs above the coast, which she loved) in late April to Mendocino (north of San Francisco) to join a Road Scholar excursion of the historic town and lighthouse, and again in late May up Highway 1 to Moss Landing and the Elkhorn Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve (Monterey Bay Area), and then, last week, to the Ojai Music Festival. As you know all too well, she loved adventure and the wonders of the natural world.

Naomi Wain Memorial Tree Location 2015