Miller, Mancuso helping raise money for Sierra employee

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PARK CITY, Utah – Five-time Olympic medalist Bode Miller, who captured a historic full complement of medals in Vancouver, is auctioning his signed Olympic helmet on eBay to help raise money for Pam Warman, a former U.S. Ski Team technician, who was recently diagnosed with breast cancer. Warman works for Sierra-at-Tahoe.

The helmet, which was worn by Miller in the Olympic slalom, can be found on eBay. The auction ends March 10 at 7:15pm.



Pam Warman works on a ski. Photo/Provided

Warman, originally from Portillo, Chile, tuned skis for the U.S. Ski Team from 2001-06, including Steven Nyman and Bryon Friedman. She now calls South Lake Tahoe. She spends her summers landscaping with Pete Lavin (aka Baby Huey), the long-time start house hype-man for the men's World Cup team.

"I started with the Development Team then moved up to the Europa Cup program," said Warman, who received her cancer diagnosis seven weeks ago following a routine mammogram. "I was working with Steven Nyman and Bryon Friedman when they got

their first World Cup starts. I kind of became the mom for all these guys when they were younger.

"Bode has always been an extremely generous guy. I remember him buying U.S. Ski Team jackets for the Development Team a while ago," she recounted. "No one knew where they came from. Bode didn't want the credit, he just wanted to help out."

Along with Miller, Warman struck a particular friendship with Jake Zamansky of Aspen, who began spearheading the auctions, which will also include items from Nyman, Friedman and three-time Olympic medalist Julia Mancuso of Olympic Valley.

"Pam is such a friend to so many members of our team," said Zamansky, a 2010 Olympian along with Miller and Nyman. "It was really easy for us to get moving on this. We are putting together what we can, but Bode's helmet was such a big item, we wanted to get that up right away. There will be more items that we'll auction down the line."

A separate fund raiser is planed for Warman at Sierra-at-Tahoe on April 13. The event will feature a dual giant slalom with current and former members of the U.S. Ski Team, plus an auction and live music by Friedman.

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