Far West News Flash

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Far West Ski Association



2016 FWSA CONVENTION

We're **ONE** Week Away:

FWSA members are invited to the Far West Ski Association's Annual Convention in Scottsdale, Arizona, June 9 – 12, 2016. Experience **Arizona is Awesome!** Complete details and links for online registration are still available at http://fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2016Conv/FW-2016Conv.html. Register as a Voting Delegate.

Includes:

- Friday: Pool Party, and Silent Auction & Snowsports Show
- Saturday: Continental Breakfast, Travel Expo, Snowsports Leadership Academy, Luncheon, Keynote Speaker Jordon Romero, and Awards Dinner & Dance
- Sunday: Eye Opener Party, FWSA Annual Meeting and Election of Officers, and Buffet Brunch

Thursday & Friday, June 9 & 10, 2016: Additional Options - Plan to join one or more of these fun activities!

- Discover Old Town Scottsdale via Segway http://fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2016Conv/Opt-Segway/FW-2016Conv-Segway.html
- Western Journey: Tour Scottsdale's Museum of the West, with Louis & Clark exhibit, and Mexican Lunch at Los Olivos http://fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2016Conv/Opt-WesternJourney/FW-2016Conv-WesternJourney.html
- Pub Crawl in Scottsdale's Entertainment District http://fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2016Conv/Opt-PubCrawl/FW-2016Conv-PubCrawl.html
- Golf Tournament http://fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2016Conv/Opt-Golf/FW-2016Conv-Golf.html
- World Music Experience, Guided tour at the Musical Instrument Museum, and Lunch at Kona Grill http://fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2016Conv/Opt-WorldMusic/FW-2016Conv-WorldMusic.html
- Spa Day, at Spa Lamar: Enjoy your choice of Spa Treatments and all day use of co-ed amenities. Includes Champagne, Buffet Luncheon, & Gratuity http://fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2016Conv/Opt-SpaLamar/FW-2016Conv-SpaLamar.html

Friday, June 10, 2016: Friday is the big night! No registration required for Ski Club Happy Hour and Silent Auction & Snowsports Show, which officially kicks off the Convention.

5:30 - 6:30 PM Ski Club Happy Hour, Cash Bar, light appetizers provided

6:30 PM - 10:00 PM Silent Auction & Snowsports Show:

FREE Admittance OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

- FREE Parking Self Park or Valet
- One FREE Hosted Featured Drink during the Welcome Party, 6:30 PM 8:00 PM
- Bid on more than \$85,000 in Snowsports and Adventure Packages
- Meet with Representatives from Ski Areas around the World
- Meet *Jordan Romero*, American mountain climber, the youngest person to summit Mount Everest
- Meet Olympic Medalists & Snowsports Celebrities, including Billy Kidd

Book your lodging. **DoubleTree Resort by Hilton Hotel Paradise Valley – Scottsdale.** 5401 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale, Arizona 480-947-5400 • http://doubletree.hilton.com/ . **Group Code FWS**

"NEW" Super Shuttle has offered all Far West Convention Go-er's a 10% discount from Phoenix Airport to the DoubleTree. Attendees will receive the discount if reservations are booked online using the group discount code: TRPXL. The discount is valid between June 7-14, 2016. NOTE: There is a \$2.00 reservation booking fee if the guest calls directly into reservations at 1-800-258-3826. There is no booking fee when making reservations online.

FAR WEST ELECTIONS

Election of FWSA Officers: Election of officers will occur at the FWSA Annual Meeting and Convention

June 9-12, 2016 at the Double Tree Resort by Hilton, Paradise Valley – Scottsdale AZ. Delegates will elect their President, Secretary, and Treasurer to one-year terms and two (2) Trustee positions for two-year terms. In addition, the following functional Vice Presidents will be elected for two-year terms:

President – Steve Coxen (incumbant)

Secretary -

Treasurer – Randy Lew (incumbant)

VP Marketing – *Debbi Kor* (incumbant)

VP Membership – Jane Guiterrez (incumbant), Linda Foster

VP International Travel – *Debbie Stewart* (incumbant)

VP Communications - Cindy Krupp

Trustee One – Gloria Raminha (incumbant)

Trustee Two - Fran Long

The FWSA Board of Directors has adopted the following criteria for the 2016 FWSA elections. These guidelines will be utilized by the Election Chair/Committee at the FWSA elections in Scottsdale, Arizona.

President:

- 1. Have held an elected position on the FWSA Board for a minimum of 4 years as a voting member
- 2. Should have attended two FWSA conventions within the past 5 years prior to the current convention.

Treasurer:

1. Understanding of cost center accounting and GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles).

- 2. Working knowledge of MS Excel, QuickBooks and the current FWSA accounting software.
- 3. Held the Treasurer position in a FWSA ski club or council or has had equivalent job experience as an accountant who has done financial preparation and analysis.

Trustee:

- 1. Held an elected position on the FWSA Board a minimum of 4 years as a voting member.
- 2. Strong business, financial, and leadership skills.
- 3. Have attended 3 FWSA Conventions within the past 5 years prior to the current convention.

The nominating committee is looking for a qualified candidate for the **secretary** position. Please let Sylvia Kearns know as soon as possible if you would like to nominate someone for **ANY** of the above positions.

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