



2016 FWSA CONVENTION EDITION

The Countdown is On:

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 available at <http://fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2016Conv/FW-2016Conv.html>. Register as a Voting Delegate. Early registration pricing ends May 9th. <http://fwsa.org/Conventions/FW-2016Conv/ConventionPkg/FW-2016Conv-Package.html>

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 by May 18th to secure the \$99 per night room rate. **DoubleTree Resort by Hilton Hotel Paradise Valley – Scottsdale**. 5401 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale, Arizona 800-498-7396 • <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 Guitierrez* (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 that has accepted the nomination.

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