

## **FAR WEST SKI FOUNDATION**

### **John Watson**

The Far West Ski Foundation, of which the Association is a member, elected new trustees in April 2009, and by virtue of that fact it has become of significant further aid to fund raising for the junior racing Scholarship Program. Management of the Far West Ski Foundation was transferred by John Armstrong on April 24 in Mammoth to a new set of experienced ski volunteers. The newly elected Trustees have vowed to continue and expand support to junior racers in the programs conducted by the Far West Ski Association in the western states it covers. The Trustees are Alan Christian of Walnut Creek, John Reinhardt of Portland, John Watson of Fallbrook, CA and Dick Shawkey, Arnold, Athletic Scholarship Chairman. The Foundation will also serve as a focal point for tax deductible contributions from individuals, ski organizations and corporations. New action plans will be prepared which will enable immediate support to the scholarship programs. In addition the FWSF can now expand its support beyond California.

The FWSF, incorporated in California and operating under the IRS tax code as a 501(c)3 organization, was founded in 1964 by seven historic Association figures: Byron Nishkian, Henry Jacobsen, Robert M. Heublein, Sutter E. Kunkel, Stanley J. Walton, Jr., Len Speicher, Kendall L. Manock. Dick Goetzman managed the foundation until his death in April, 2007.