

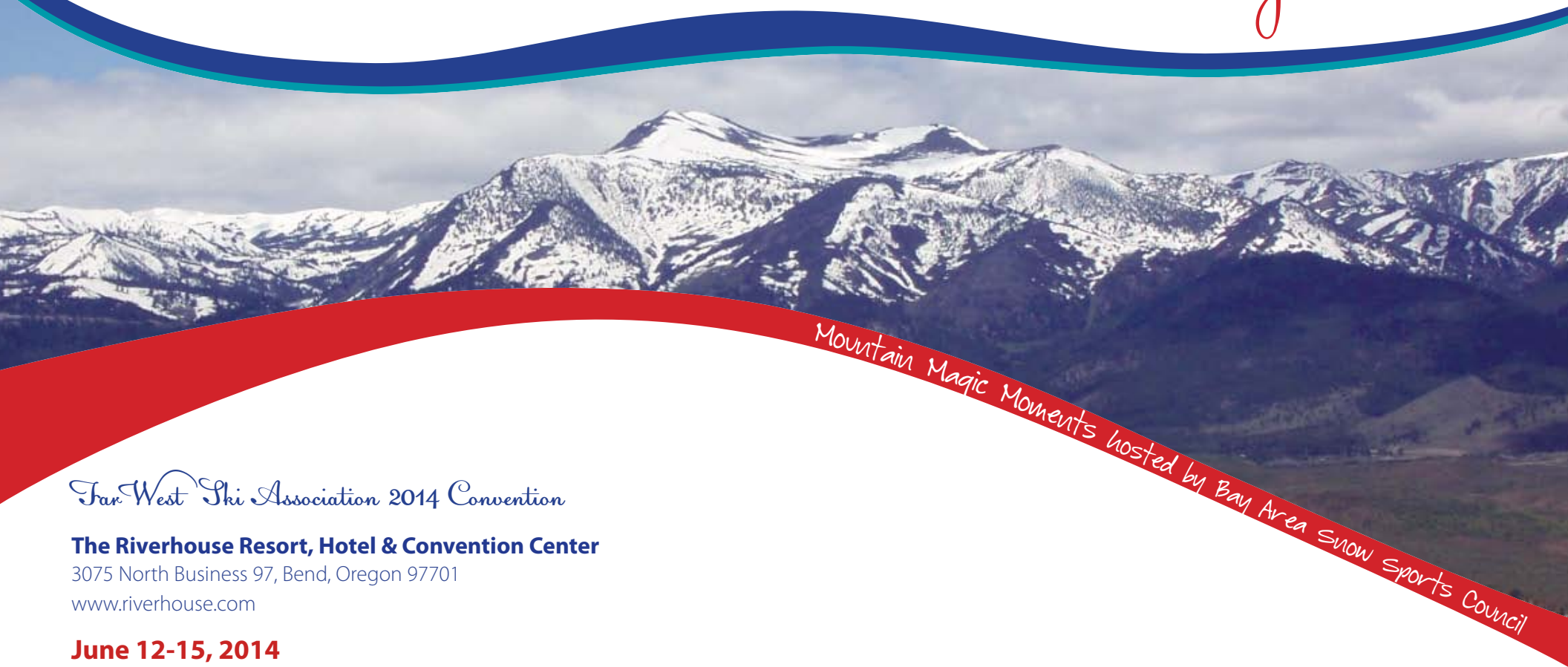
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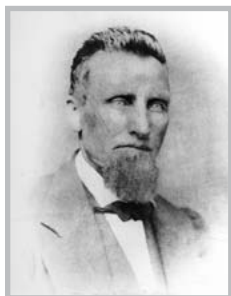
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Skiing in California

Skis were introduced to the US in the late 1830s by Scandinavian immigrants who settled in the upper Midwest states. The California Gold Rush of 1849 lured many of them to the gold camps in the High Sierra, where the long boards, snowshoes as the Norwegians called them, were adopted for travel over snow.



Snowshoe Thompson

One of the most famous skiers of that era was **Snowshoe Thompson** who carried the mail from 1856 for 20 years from Placerville to Carson Valley, a distance of 90 miles, with a mail sack as heavy as 100 pounds on his back.

It wasn't long before California miners were challenging each other to spur-of-the-moment downhill races when the snow kept them from their work. The rivalry easily spread to other camps and a racing circuit was established. Each camp had its "aces" who rode the 12 foot boards all out for the honor of their camp.

Recipes for "doping" [waxing] were highly guarded secrets and often determined who would win or lose. Prizes of silver belt buckles and cash were common. Betting was intense; spirits were high; and après ski revelry could last through the night. These early California competitions took place 15 years before the first European tournament.

The mining camps organized into various clubs with rules of conduct for race events. The Alturas Snowshoe Club of La Porte claims to be the oldest competition ski club in the world, since the world's first downhill races were held on their Lexington Hill in 1866.

By 1910, Truckee, California had a jump, toboggan chutes and a ski hill. As a means of making money, the Southern Pacific Railroad established Truckee as a destination. ❧

The Beginning of Skiing

The oldest sports have their roots in man's struggle to survive. These sports were practiced out of necessity long before someone figured out how to turn them into ones of pleasure. These activities include running, horseback riding, boating and, naturally, skiing.

Skiing has a rich and colorful past. It is difficult for many of us to imagine a time when there were no on-mountain facilities or trails, skis lacked metal edges, bindings didn't release and the only way to ski was to "earn your turns" by hiking to the top.

The first evidence of skiing comes from Stone Age rock carvings discovered around the Arctic rim, many showing ski-shod hunters in hot pursuit of game in lands recently uncovered by the retreat of continental glaciers. The time frame is the same as that of Egyptian pyramid building.

The oldest equipment find was two-thirds of a ski uncovered at Hoting, Sweden in 1921 estimated to be 4,500 years old. Stone Age skiing, obviously, was not anything like the good times we have sliding down the hills. The first evidence of skiing other than as utility is a mere thousand years ago. ❧



Cave drawing from Eastern Russia dating from 7000 to 5000 BC

National Ski Association

The national skiing organization began in Ishpeming, Michigan in the 1870s with a number of clubs formed by Scandinavian immigrants.

*On February 21, 1904, **Carl Tellefson** of Ishpeming brought these clubs together and organized them as the National Ski Association [NSA]. The first sanctioned meet was held the next day.*

In the 1920s, regional divisions began to affiliate themselves with NSA — the Eastern Amateur Ski Association in 1925, the Western US Ski Association [the Rockies] in 1926, the California Ski Association and the Pacific Northwest Ski Association in 1930.

In 1962, NSA emerged as the United States Ski Association [USSA] and FWSA became its Far West Division.

While USSA's primary focus was competition, Far West was attracting more recreational skiers. In 1979, Far West determined that USSA competitive programs were no longer a benefit to its mostly recreational membership and withdrew from USSA.

In 1980, USSA organized into two divisions— competition and sports. Far West voted to merge into USSA and lead the sports division on condition recreation programs would have an equal voice with competition programs.

The new national organization didn't work out as planned and in 1983, Far West withdrew from USSA for the last time. ❧

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❧ Visitors from San Francisco and Oakland arrived by train and stayed in Pullmans which were parked on a side track. The trains were equipped with special baggage cars converted into a ski shop or stripped for dancing. These "Snowball Specials" rolled until the start of World War II.

California Ski Association

The California Ski Association [CSA] came into being as a direct result of losing the 1932 Winter Olympic Games to Lake Placid, NY.

Both Yosemite and Big Pine made a bid for the Olympics but the world saw California as the "Land of Sunshine and Flowers" and couldn't believe there was any snow in the state. In addition, many in California didn't want the world to know they had snow because they thought it would hurt tourism.

But skiers in the state wanted an opportunity to secure a sanctioned meet and invite the world to experience what California had to offer. To do this, California needed a statewide organization affiliated with the National Ski Association.

A special meeting of the Winter Sports Committee of the California State Chamber of Commerce was held on Tuesday, October 7, 1930 at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco. **Wendell Robie** of Auburn Ski Club was elected president of the newly formed California Ski Association.

Others elected were **Frank Deuprey** of the California State Chamber of Commerce, Secretary; **W. A. Wadsworth** of Los Angeles, Treasurer; Vice Presidents: **Don Tresidder**, Yosemite; **Herbert Fleishhacker, Jr.**, San Francisco, for the northern part of the State; **George L. Eastman** and **J. B. Hanson** of the Viking Club, both of Los Angeles, for the southern ❧



Wendell Robie

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◻ part of the State.

The election of the directors was left to the four originating ski clubs— Truckee Ski Club, Auburn Ski Club, Yosemite Winter Club and Viking Ski Club of Los Angeles— to name two each from their respective clubs. A resolution was passed asking that there be an entrance fee of \$20 for each club desiring to affiliate with CSA. California was admitted into the National Ski Association at the annual convention held on December 14, 1930.

In 1931, **Wilbur Maynard**, representing CSA, went east and was successful in securing the NSA Championships in Jumping and Langlauf [cross-country] for 1932. CSA organized its first annual championships on February 21-23, 1931 at the Olympic Hill of the Lake Tahoe Ski Club. This event was sanctioned by NSA and used as the 1932 US team "California Olympic Tryouts."

Post War Growth

After the war, California's ski history has been largely a story of area development. There was a glut of inexpensive "surplus" ski equipment available for the masses. Many of those that served in the Army's famed 10th Mountain Division came home to build their mountain.

In October 1946, at the CSA convention in Santa Cruz, the constitution was changed and the bylaws revised creating a competition committee. CSA established the formation of six districts within the state that would meet monthly.

An Area Development committee was formed in the hopes of securing the opening of the San Geronio Area for skiing. Three years later, the US Forest Service released their prospectus outlining a proposal for the initial development of Mineral King.

Prior to the war, CSA had established a committee to work out a "Plan for Certification of Ski Instructors" and to standardize teaching. In 1947, the first professional ski

Far West Ski Patrol

In the winter of 1936, the Auburn Ski Club instituted the first ski patrol unit in California after a skier froze to death on Mt. Lincoln above Donner Pass. The patrol was formed as an embryo organization within the Auburn Volunteer Fire Department.

*The five members of the patrol— **Harry Rosenberry, Roy Sands, Al Bequette, Herb Clegg, Jr., and George Gianni**— completed advanced first aid and instructor courses at their own expense in Sacramento.*

The City of Auburn purchased a resuscitator and other aid equipment for the patrol. They helped fallen or lost skiers and checked trails for people and obstacles.

In 1938, the NSA formed the National Ski Patrol System [NSPS] and the Auburn Ski Club became affiliated with the organization. Far West patrols developed a rescue toboggan equipped with first aid supplies that was later adopted by NSPS and other ski associations throughout the US.

Don Tresidder of Yosemite was the first Far West patroller inducted into NSPS and was assigned number 14 in 1938. In 1941, **Dorothy McClung Wullich** of San Diego Ski Club was named the first woman ski patroller and assigned the number one. ❁



Dorothy McClung

World War II

*At the CSA Convention at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, California on October 18, 1942, the board, led by President **Dr. Frank Howard**, voted to freeze all offices, even if the officer was serving in the war. CSA asked that there be no tournaments.*

There would be no sanctioned events, no conventions, and no travel until the war was over. In addition, CSA paid club dues to NSA for clubs unable to do so.

*In California, NSPS Division Chairman **Albert Sigal** was bent on building the Ski Patrol into a top-notch search and rescue unit and offered their services to a nearby Air Force base.*

*Late February 1942, a bomber crashed due to heavy snowfall in the San Bernardino Mountains outside of Los Angeles. When the Air Force was unable to locate the plane, the California Ski Patrol, led by **Cortlandt T. Hill**, spent 2,113 man-hours on the search.*



"Corty" Hill

This success led to the formation of "Operation M'Aidez" [May Day], the code name for coordinating 24 NSPS patrols from San Diego to Seattle in search and rescue missions for the 4th Air Force. This partnership continued for many years. ❁



Albert Sigal

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◻ instructor organization in the US was the California Ski Instructor's Association organized at Donner Summit.

Far West Ski Association

At the CSA convention on October 29, 1948, the association officially changed its name to Far West Ski Association [FWSA] to conform to the designations of the other divisions of NSA and to have a name more representative of the geographical area it encompassed— California, Nevada and Hawaii. The annual convention was also changed from fall to spring.

The primary function of Far West was sanctioning tournaments to be held within the Far West region. This involved scheduling dates, selecting the judges, and regulating the events. Another important function of Far West was raising funds for Winter Olympics and FIS [Fédération Internationale de Ski] to help finance USA teams who participated in ski and jump events.

By 1960, FWSA had grown to 80 affiliated clubs, with approximately 4,500 members of whom 1,250 were competitive skiers. The emphasis of the association was moving more toward recreation. Two things contributed greatly to the growth of skiing in the Far West during the early 60's— the Far West Flight Charter Program and the televised coverage of the VIII Winter Olympics at Squaw Valley.

Thousands of new California skiers joined the ranks and in 1966 FWSA implemented bylaw changes at its Las Vegas Convention, enabling the organization to expand its professional staff and develop a broad spectrum of programs attractive to recreational skiers.

Far West developed a marketing approach, which proved successful in



Dry Land Training in So. California

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☞ attracting more members. These benefits included dry land training, club and league racing, membership benefits, a newspaper, public affairs programs, insurance, and travel vacation ski weeks.

The Beginning of Councils

In the beginning the Association was divided into districts. In 1941, the 5th District was added to cover the Bay Area. District 4 began calling itself the Southern Council of the FWSA in the 40s. In 1947, the Bay Area Ski Federation was organized "for the welfare of Bay Area skiers" but they didn't vote to join Far West as the Bay Area Council of FWSA until 1961. Far West recognized Central and San Diego Councils in the 1970s.

The council development program of the 70s, headed by **John Watson**, hoped to bring the purposes of the councils and the association into alignment within Far West. This process began in 1969 with the Southern Council that regarded itself as a district arm of the association and promoted the programs of the Far West, even creating council positions mirroring the program positions at the regional level. This resulted in a synergistic benefit to both council and Far West.

The program also concentrated on encouraging the smaller councils to become more active in the Far West programs and solicited nonaffiliated councils to join. Strenuous but ultimately unsuccessful attempts were made to bring in councils such as Arizona, Sacramento, and Tahoe-Reno [latter as the Sierra Nevada Council].

As a result of this emphasis on smaller councils, there was a spin-off from Southern Council of the Inland and Orange Councils in 1971. Southern was a huge council, including over 60 clubs meeting as far east as San Bernardino, south to cover Orange County, and north to Santa Barbara and even

Far West Flight Program

The story of the highly successful Far West Charter flights goes back a few years before the first Far West Charter in 1958. The very first attempt to charter flights within the Far West region began with the Grindelwald Ski Club in Los Angeles.

*Spearheaded by **Sutter Kunkel**, it took just a couple of years to get the Charter Flight Program off the ground.*



1960 Far West Charter Flight

The Far West Flight Charter Program began with one flight from Los Angeles to Zurich and Paris in 1958. By 1964, Far West had ten charters leaving from Los Angeles and San Francisco to Switzerland, Germany and France.

*In 1962, Far West used the proceeds from previous flights to send seven junior racers, with their coach **Dave McCoy**, to Europe on one of the charter flights, allowing these young racers to ski in Europe and get a taste of international racing.*

The program grew as flights were added to South America and New Zealand in the summer and domestic flights in the winter. This program continued through the 70s. ❄

1960 Olympics

The fact that Squaw Valley was awarded the 1960 Winter Olympics in Squaw Valley was an amazing feat.



Andy Hauk

acquiring and constructing all of the major facilities required for the staging of the games.

*Far West leaders **J. Stanley Mullin**, **Walt Disney**, **Roy Mikkelsen**, **Albert Sigal**, and **Harry Rosenberry** were members of the Olympic Organizing Committee.*

***Gene Williams**, Far West Chairman of the National Ski Patrol System, proposed that NSPS patrol these winter Olympics. Backed by Far West, this Olympics was the first time the games were covered by a volunteer ski patrol. The Olympic Ski Patrol [OSP] was made up of 48 men and 3 women.*



Olympic Patrol

***Emil "Chris" Christensen** of Pasadena, California led the volunteers. **Bud Mills**, who founded the Far West Avalanche Program, was patrol leader of the OSP avalanche detail. ❄*

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☞ Mammoth Mountain!

The realignment of Southern Council [later renamed Los Angeles Council] made it far easier for club representatives to make it to meetings and ensure meaningful involvement and activities.

Far West Programs

Throughout the 60s and 70s, Far West continued to develop programs for the recreational skier that included a Membership Benefit Book, Ski Theft Insurance, Ski Weeks, Flight Charters to Europe and within the US, Public Affairs and Intramural Racing. In return, the clubs sponsored events that raised money for junior racers and US Olympians.

By the mid 70s, Far West expanded to the point where recreational skiers far outnumbered competitive skiers. This was a dramatic contrast to USSA and the other ski associations, where competitive skiing continued to dominate. A conflict began to develop between USSA and Far West because only 20% of members club elected to affiliate with Far West, and hence USSA. While clubs were the lifeline of Far West and provided the volunteers needed to run the Far West programs and raise money for the US Ski Team, the discord continued.

Far West Ski Competition

It wasn't until 1976 that Far West was finally divided into two separate operating organizations, one concentrating on the recreational and political aspects of skiing and the other directing the operation of the sanctioned race programs that developed the youth of America for the US Ski Teams. Far West Ski Competition, the official sanctioning body for junior racers, was founded.

Today, Far West Skiing, a division of USSA, is the body that develops young athletes ☞



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from all clubs in the Far West with the objective of placing elite competitors onto the US Ski Team. [fwskiing.org]

Far West Rebuilt



The conflict between USSA and Far West came to a head in the 80s. Following the 1983 USSA convention in Boston [referred to by some as the Boston Tea Party], USSA voted to de-emphasize their recreational programs and concentrate on supporting the US Ski Teams.

The Amateur Athletic Act of 1978 was used to create a national governing body that required a focus on the national competitive effort. The United States Recreational Ski Association [USRSA] was founded as the national recreational organization and Far West withdrew from USSA to begin rebuilding the association. Clubs were left to determine which association(s) they wanted to affiliate with – USSA, USRSA, and/or Far West.

Meanwhile, the race leagues of Far West formed an independent nonprofit corporation, named the Far West Racing Association [FWRA], to focus on their specialized programs. FWRA continued to generate operating funds through sponsorship, the Los Angeles Ski Dazzle ski swap, and race fees. The president of FWRA currently serves as a member of the Far West Board of Directors.

On November 6, 1984, the Executive Committee of Far West met to decide on the direction the association should take. This committee proposed a new set of bylaws that were approved at the 53rd Annual Far West Convention held at the Oakland Airport Hilton, May 17-19, 1985. Far West was restored as an all-volunteer organization with **Janie “Frankie” Hansen** as president. To encourage clubs to stay with Far West, dues were waived and are not required by clubs as long as they belong to a member Council.

Far West Today

As an all-volunteer organization without dues paying members, Far West had to figure out

Far West Fight for Ski Areas

In 1947, only a handful of skiers showed up at the first hearing proposing San Geronio as a ski area. It was evident that a national voice was needed. The West faces different problems from the rest of the nation in that most of their ski areas are on public lands and hence dictated to by the Forest Service and the public.

*In 1964, the **San Geronio Fund** was established by Southern Council to get “San G” developed as a ski area. Although the fight continued for many years, the Wilderness Act of 1964 put an end to the hopes of ever developing San Geronio.*

In 1965, the Forest Service issued a second prospectus for developing Mineral King Game Refuge as a ski area and accepted the Disney bid. The Sierra Club sued and in 1969, the San Francisco District Court issued a preliminary injunction.

***Save Our Skiing Fund** was created by **Jerry Garrett**, Single Ski Club, in November 5, 1969 in the battle over Mineral King. Far West served as amicus curiae all the way to the Supreme Court only to have Congress move the area into the Sequoia National Park, thus preventing further development.*

*Far West convened a **Public Lands Advisory Board [PLAB]** to search for suitable ski sites in California. Among the 20-plus sites identified by **Royall Brown** were Moses-Maggie, Trail Peak, Independence Lake, Sherwin Bowl, and Peppermint Mountain.*

*The **Skisport Defense Fund** was incorporated January 8, 1974 to raise funds to support the advocacy of these areas, notably led by **Chuck Morse**. It is highly unlikely that these areas will ever be developed. ❁*

Far West is a non-profit, all-volunteer organization representing the “Voice of the Western Skier” with emphasis on skier safety, ski area development, clubs, communication and recreation.

Established programs include annual convention, leadership seminars, Silent Auction, Travel Expo, ski & travel trips, public affairs, periodic publications, industry partnerships and awards.

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Eileen Sanford, *San Diego*
Jo Simpson, *Sierra*

Affiliate Organizations—

Far West Ski Foundation
Far West Racing Association
National Ski Patrol
National Ski Council Federation
National Ski Areas Association

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a way to fund their numerous programs. The annual FWSA convention, hosted by Balboa Ski Club, held at the Irvine Hilton & Towers in Irvine, California on May 16-18, 1986 was historic.

Special programs attracted a record number of delegates. More importantly, the first annual Silent Auction was introduced and managed by **Jane Wyckoff**. The continued success of this fund raiser set the stage for enabling financial support of Far West programs for the future.

The 90s saw the rebuilding of the Far West travel program by **Gene Fulkerson** with both domestic and international trips being offered. The public affairs program under **Mike Sanford** was rejuvenated and has assumed a significant role on the national stage on a wide variety of issues—area development, safety, transportation, insurance, consumer advocacy and snowsports history.

The council development program has had dramatic successes in the two decades. Arizona Ski Council and Northwest Ski Club Council [then Portland Area Ski Club Council or PASCC] joined Far West in 1991 and 1992, respectively.

Sierra Council built a strong race program and in 1996 once again became actively involved in Far West. In 2000, New Mexico Council joined the association as the tenth council and Far West became one of the founding members of the National Ski Council Federation [NSCF]. The Intermountain Council, covering Colorado, Idaho, Utah, South Dakota and Wyoming joined in 2008.

Far West has embraced social media in an effort to expand its membership base. We can be found on facebook, we have a twitter account, we are posting videos on you-tube, we have added QR codes to our print materials and our web site has been redesigned, overhauled and updated. Be sure to visit us. ❁



... Snowsports Builder

In 2008 Far West added a Snowsports Builder Award to expand its suite of awards. The award recognizes an individual, teams or an organization that has made a contribution to benefit the sport, a contribution that has made an indelible impact on the sport and that may not have been fully recognized.

Such contributions may not be limited to any particular sector of industry, society, or the sport. Their background could include manufacturing, athletics, travel, journalism, electronic or print media, government, academia, teaching and safety. The Builders Award is intended to be for those outside Far West's traditional service awards. ❄

Snowsports Builder Awardees

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| 2013 | Arthur Chelton Leonard ,
10 th Mountain Division | Dave McCoy , Founder Mammoth Mountain, CA |
| | Doug Pringle ,
Disabled Sports USA | Martha Perez , Co-founder Sport Tours |
| | Vern Sprock , Longtime Owner of Sierra Ski Ranch | 2010 Doug Pfeiffer , PSIA, Editor-in-Chief "Skiing" magazine |
| 2012 | Bill Marolt , President/CEO USSA | 2009 Deedee Corradini , President Women's Ski Jumping USA |
| | Greg Thompson , Archivist Utah's J.W. Marriott Library | 2008 Jerry Simon & Harry Leonard
Developers of the "Ski Show" |
| 2011 | Norbert Olberz , Founder Sport Chalet | |



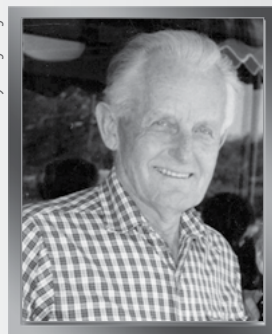
Courtesy Shelly Leonard family

Arthur Chelton "Shelly" Leonard (1923-2011) participated in every major ski activity in the Reno-Tahoe area for over 50 years. "Shelly" made an indelible imprint on the development of ski racing, coaching and ski instruction during skiing's growth years from the Olympics through the 1980s. There may be no trail marker, but those tracks in the snow are "Shelly" Leonard's.



Courtesy Doug Pringle

Doug Pringle is a ground breaker and tireless innovator of rehabilitation techniques for the disabled using snowsports. His service to the expanding disabled community extends over more than 45 years. His organizational skills were called into use in the development and evolution of what is now known as Disabled Sports USA. Doug was the President of the founding chapter.



Courtesy Vern Sprock

Vern Sprock bought Sierra Ski Ranch with two rope tows in 1953 and expanded its services over the next 40 years as a family friendly and family operated ski area. The Sierra Ski Ranch was noted for its offerings of affordable family, weekend packages and a number of imaginative innovations. The family sold the resort in 1993 when the resort was renamed Sierra-at-Tahoe.

Courtesy Robin Manning



Hans Georg
1911 – 1968

McGee Creek Lodge.

In 1940, **Lloyd Nicoll** built a tow at Observation Point, on the east side of Mammoth along the road to Twin Lakes. The next year, he sold it to **Nyle Smith** who then sold it to Hans in 1946 after Hans returned from serving in the 10th Mountain Division during WWII as a ski instructor and leader in the Italian campaign.

Hans Georg came from the St. Moritz Ski School in Switzerland to the US in 1937 to become a pioneer ski tracker, rope tow operator, ski instructor and author. In 1939, Hans became the head of the Eastern Sierra Ski Club School at the "Ski Ranch" near the

In 1945, **Dave McCoy** installed two 600' tows at McGee Creek that Hans used for his ski school. In 1948, Hans installed three tows in Mammoth—in the vicinity of where Chair 15 is today. Although the tows remained until 1957, when the lifts began to experience mechanical problems, Hans abandoned them and taught skiing at Dave's lifts.

Hans taught thousands to ski, using the best of the Reverse Shoulder, Arlberg and French techniques. In 1940 and 1946, Hans attempted to develop a summer ski school at the 12,500-foot level eastern side of Mt. Whitney. Often, Hans was called to Hollywood to direct ski sequences. He wrote many books on skiing, including "Modern Ski Systems," "Reverse Shoulder Technique," "Simplified Skiing."

The Hans Georg Award is given for distinguished accomplishment and long-term contribution to skiing. This award is given to an individual who has contributed significant achievements to skiing, not necessarily organized skiing. It reflects a long-term contribution over the years. ❄

Hans Georg Awardees

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|------|---------------------|------|------------------------|------|--------------------|
| 2012 | Catherine Ohl | 1991 | Mike Favia | 1975 | Wayne Poulsen |
| 2011 | Lynnell Calkins | 1990 | Martha Perez | 1974 | Dave McCoy |
| 2010 | Sigrd Noack | 1990 | Mary Lou Bearden | 1973 | J. Stanley Mullin |
| 2009 | Georgene Bihlman | 1989 | Sutter Kunkel | 1972 | Willy Schaeffler |
| 2008 | Donn Bryant | 1988 | Janie "Frankie" Hansen | 1971 | Charles Fink |
| 2007 | Michael Sanford | | | 1970 | Billy Kidd |
| 2006 | Ken Calkins | 1987 | Alan Christian | 1969 | William Nagle, Jr. |
| 2005 | Nancy Kelly | 1986 | Richard Goetzman | 1968 | Ben Cole |
| 2004 | Steve Coxen | 1985 | Jimmie Heuga | 1967 | Walt Disney |
| 2003 | Tucker Hoffmann | 1985 | Ed Gehle | 1966 | W. S. "Slim" Davis |
| 2002 | Gene Fulkerson | 1984 | John James | | |
| 2001 | Harry Davis | 1983 | Bill Berry | | |
| 2000 | George Eachus | 1982 | Joe Harris | | |
| 1999 | Randy Lew | 1981 | Bruce Bell | | |
| 1998 | Nic Fiore | 1980 | Jane Wyckoff | | |
| 1997 | Norm Cullen | 1980 | Don Simpson | | |
| 1996 | Fay Mumbauer | 1979 | Chuck Morse | | |
| 1995 | Woody Hogan | 1978 | John Watson | | |
| 1994 | Fred "Andy" Andrews | 1978 | Fraser West | | |
| 1993 | Dennis Agee | 1977 | Russ Read | | |
| 1992 | Pat Nangle | 1976 | no award | | |

... Elizabeth "Schatzi" Wood

Elizabeth "Schatzi" Wood was one of the most recognized women skiers in the history of recreational skiing and the National Ski Patrol System. Born in the Bavarian Alps, she arrived in the US in 1920 as a governess to the children of the Miller family of Milwaukee.

A few years later she met her husband **Ernest Wood** while ice skating. She began skiing to be with her husband but only mastered the Sitzmark. Then in the 30s, when **Hans Georg** started to teach at McGee, Schatzi learned the modern ski technique.

In 1942, Schatzi was only the sixteenth woman to be named to the National Ski Patrol [NSP]. In 1950, she was appointed section chief of the NSP at Big Pines. In 1951, she was awarded the National Ski Patrol's Yellow Merit Star for her work as an outstanding patrolwoman. Schatzi devoted 15 years of service, developing ways to make her sport better and safer, mapping areas, and applying first aid.

Schatzi was one of the leading women skiers during the formation of the California Ski Association. She was well known by skiers throughout Southern California as a strong skier who could outski most anyone, male or

female. Her love for skiing continued to the day of her death at a grand old age of 67. While on a ski trip to Switzerland, Schatzi suffered a cerebral hemorrhage, and two days later, she passed away in her sleep.

Schatzi, a long-time member of Grindelwald Ski Club, was loved and admired by everyone. Hence, the nickname "Schatzi," which means "sweetheart" in German.

The Elizabeth "Schatzi" Wood Award is given to the Far West woman who has, through efforts in ski club, council, region, national or international activities, made a decisive contribution to skiing during either the past two years or in a prior year. ❄



Schatzi Wood
1897 – Sept. 3, 1964

Courtesy Fay Mumbauer



J. Stanley Mullin
July 14, 1907 – July 24, 2000

Courtesy Ingrid Wicken

J. Stanley Mullin, a Los Angeles attorney, was a pioneer Far West skier. As an avid competitive skier, he hiked up California's snow-covered mountains in the 1930s before the advent of ski lifts. He remained a strong supporter of the Far West Ski Association, National Ski Association (NA), US Ski Association

[USSA], and Federation of International Skiing [FIS].

Stan was an indefatigable sportsman mastering horse-back riding, skiing, sports car racing and rowing. He competed in the trials for equestrian jumping for the 1932 Olympic games. He was the first president of the California Sports Car Club and founded the rowing chapter of the California Yacht Club.

J. Stanley Mullin ...

In 1939, Stan founded Southern Skis with **Corty Hill**, **Morgan Adams Jr.**, **A. Andrew Hauk**, **Otto Steiner**, **Paulette Goddard** and others. Stan served as Far West secretary for two years following WWII before being elected Vice-President of NSA. In 1952, Stan joined **Morgan Adams Jr.**, **Bob Crary**, **Bob Cheesewright** and others in financing the Mount Baldy Ski Lifts.

Stan had a long association with the Olympics, serving on the Organizing Committee for the 1960 Winter Games at Squaw Valley that brought the games to California.

In 1962, Stan was awarded the Blegen Award, USSA's highest award for service to the sport of skiing. He was a Vice-President of FIS and represented USSA at FIS congresses from 1951 through 1967. He was inducted into the U.S. Ski Hall of Fame in 1973.

The J. Stanley Mullin Award is given to the Far West man who has, through efforts in ski club, council, region, national or international activities, made a decisive contribution to skiing during either the past two years or in a prior year. ❄

Schatzi Wood Awardees

2012	Eileen Sanford	1992	Susie Vetter	1972	Judy Fjeld
2011	Sheri Parshall	1991	Karen Kimball	1971	Thelma West
2010	Gloria Raminha	1990	Pat Nangle	1970	Sally Neidlinger
2009	Barbara Bryant	1989	Lauren Nagle		Hudson
2008	Mary Olhausen	1988	Fay Mumbauer	1969	Gladys (Sandy)
2007	Fran Long	1987	Margo Thomas		Poulsen
2006	Debbi Kor	1986	Karyn Tablada	1968	no award
2005	Helen Harris	1985	Sallie Pritchard	1967	Mary Lou Bearden
2004	Marilyn Sigler	1984	Janie "Frankie"	1966	Madeline Walton
2003	Linda Westlund		Hansen		
2002	Nancy Kelly	1983	Anita Omsby		
2001	Nancy Sanford	1982	Jessica Freeman		
2000	Lynnell Calkins	1981	Billie Joy Wilson		
1999	no award	1980	Madeline Hunter		
1998	Bonnie West	1979	Jan Wright		
1997	Catherine Ohl	1978	Nancy Ingalsbee		
1997	Karen Davis	1977	Marlene Steinmeyer		
1996	Connie Smith	1976	no award		
1995	Maxine Hanlon	1975	Kathy Downer		
1994	Kathy Hoffmann	1974	Gloria Slate		
1993	no award	1973	Jane Wyckoff		

J. Stanley Mullin Awardees

2012	David Krupp	1991	Woody Hogan	1971	Russ Tiffany
2011	Dennis Heffley	1990	Paul Arrigo	1970	John Watson
2010	Richard Shawkey	1989	Chuck Morse	1969	Richard Goetzman
2009	Richard Lubin	1988	John James	1968	Stanley V. Walton, Jr.
2008	Arleigh Meiners	1987	Howard Wickersham	1967	Jerry Wetzel
2007	Ray Craig	1986	Cloyde Howard	1966	Byron Nishkian
2006	Robb Margrave	1985	Mike Favia		
2005	Donn Bryant	1984	Glen Adkins		
2004	Michael German	1983	Alan Christian		
2003	Joe Loader	1982	John Rosenfeld		
2002	Steve Coxen	1981	Steve Williams		
2001	Ken Calkins	1980	John Rosenkranz		
2000	Jim Ortiz	1980	Bob Clinco		
1999	Tucker Hoffmann	1979	Ed McArthur		
1998	Mike Sanford	1978	Ed Gehle		
1997	Sutter Kunkel	1977	Dick Croft		
1996	Ron Anderson	1976	Bruce Bell		
1995	Gene Fulkerson	1975	Russ Read		
1994	Randy Lew	1974	Rolf Fromm		
1993	Norm Cullen	1973	Edgar "Gar" Bering III		
1992	Louis Buhler	1972	Carl Grover		

... Jimmie Heuga

Jimmie Heuga exemplifies the best of the Far West Ski Association. A product of the Far West Junior Racing Program and the Lake Tahoe Ski Club, he started skiing at age three with his father at Squaw Valley. Participating in many Sacramento Bee races, he ultimately joined the US Ski Team. Jimmie won a Bronze in slalom at the 1964 Olympics in Innsbruck, Austria. A week later, Jimmie won the combined at the prestigious Arlberg-Kandahar in Garmisch, Germany, at the time, the only American to do so.

In 1966, Jimmie finished fourth in the combined at the World Championships in Portillo, Chile. The following year he skied to a third place overall in World Cup giant slalom. He had two top-ten finishes at the 1968 Winter Olympics in Grenoble, France. His ten years on the US Ski Team ended in 1968. Jimmie was inducted into the U.S. Ski Hall of Fame in 1976.

Jimmie's greatest challenge commenced with disturbing health indications in 1967 and a final diagnosis in 1970 as having Multiple Sclerosis [MS]. After a period of indecision as to his course of action, he started a three-year personal program of rehabilitation in 1976. He

created a program of cardiovascular endurance, stretching and strengthening exercises. He moved back to the mountains and resumed skiing. After this period, he started his own outreach program for persons with MS, founding the Jimmie Heuga Center (now Can Do MS) in 1984. The center in Edwards, Colorado is dedicated to "reanimating the physically challenged" to regain a quality of life. The center also supports scientific research.

The Jimmie Heuga Award is given to the individual who, like Jimmie, has demonstrated courage and skill in three arenas – the ski slope, the human body, and the courageous heart. ❄



Courtesy Jimmie Heuga Center Endowment

Jimmie Heuga
Sept. 22, 1943 – Feb. 8, 2010

Jordan-Reily ...



John McClintic Reily

The Jordan-Reily Award is named posthumously for two pioneers in the Association's Public Affairs program, Bob Jordan and John Reily.

In the mid-50s, **John Reily**, treasurer for the Carnation Company and chairman of the LA Chamber of Commerce, built

a cabin in Squaw Valley. Two years later, he acquired Southern Pacific's land at the top of Squaw's KT-22 lift and built a day lodge called the "Cornice."

From John's vantage point, he saw the potential for a new ski area, Alpine Meadows, and became the founder and developer. John was a strong advocate for

integrating environmental, financial, and skier demand into area development plans.

Bob Jordan, a Guadalcanal veteran, trained as a journalist and was employed for many years in the forest products industry. Bob became Far West's first paid Director of Public Affairs in 1975 and stayed on for nearly three years before returning to public sector. His professional skills greatly enhanced the sophistication of the Association's activities and formed a foundation that has lasted to this day.

The Jordan-Reily Award recognizes a one or two year activity and achievement in the Association's Public Affairs programs – area development, skier safety, liability protections, governmental affairs, taxation, and transportation. This award may also be given to an individual in government or the ski industry. ❄

Jimmie Heuga Awardees

2012	Chris Waddell, Paralympic	2003	Chris Klug, US Olympian
2011	Dianna Digandomenico, The Unrecables	2002	Gordon Cardona, Unrecables
2010	Linda Whittle, Can Do MS	2001	Billy Kidd, Steamboat Springs
2009	Will Niccolls & Ed Bronsdon, Outdoors for All Foundation	2000	Mark Wellman
2008	Tom Peirce, Director US Adaptive Recreation Center	1999	Norm Cox
2007	Larry 'Chad' Chadwick, Oregon Cancer Ski Out	1998	Candice Cable
2006	Sigrid Noack	1997	Rick Van Aken, Bear Valley Adaptive Program
2005	Muffy Davis, Paralympic	1996	Jim Ortiz
2004	Ben Velasquez	1995	Sara Tully
		1994	KelLe Malkewitz, Director US Adaptive Recreation Center
		1993	Tahoe Adaptive Ski School, Alpine Mdws

Jordan-Reily Awardees

2012	Robert Redford, Sundance	2000	Mike Sanford
2011	Christina Thomure, Grand Targhee	1999	no award
2010	John Wentworth, Mammoth Lakes Trails and Public Access Foundation	1998	Catherine Ohl
2009	Auden Schendler, Aspen Snowmass	1998	Linda McGavin
2008	Rich Marriott, King5	1997	Wayne Poulsen
2007	Geraldine Link, NSAA	1996	no award
2006	Scott Kaden, PNSAA	1995	Karen Kimball
2005	Mark Udall, US Senator	1994	Lee Olson
2004	Ethan Chickering	1993	National Ski Patrol, Southern California Region's Mountaineering Section—
2003	Steve Coxen		Dave Tollakson
2002	Denny Bschor, USFS		Jerry Lambert
2001	Steve Reneker		Steve Reneker
			Ron Anderson
		1992	Kermit Wagner
		1991	John Watson

... Tommi Tyndall

Tommi Tyndall was a prominent force in the promotion of winter sports in the Big Bear area during the late 40s, the 50s and early 60s. He was a one-man whirlwind where skiing was concerned.

Tommi came to the US from Dresden, Germany, in 1939 to demonstrate his father's machinery at the NY World's Fair. With the outbreak of WWII, he stayed in the US and joined the Navy. His first paying job in the US was teaching skiing at Sun Valley. He became an American citizen in 1949.

In 1946, he was among the first members of the California Ski Instructors Association. He developed and supervised a group of instructors who formed the Big Bear Ski School. In 1949, he founded the Big Bear Winter Club and hosted Big Bear's first Winter Carnival.

In 1952, Tommi opened Snow Summit with a mile-long double chair, two major ski runs and several rope tows. In 1961, after a few draught years, Tommi undertook

the construction of a major snow making system at Snow Summit, which would be the largest in Southern California upon its completion in 1964. At age 54, Tommi died in a freak tractor accident while grooming his beloved mountain.

The Tommi Tyndall Award is given to the ski area or ski area operator who has made a distinguished contribution to skiing in the past year or in prior years. ❁



Tommi Tyndall
Nov. 1910 – Dec. 27, 1964

Tommi Tyndall Awardees

2012	Big White Ski Resort & Silver Star	1990	Mt. Bachelor	1972	Boreal Ridge
2011	Alpine Meadows	1989	Vail / Beaver Creek	1971	Mammoth Mtn. <i>Dave McCoy</i>
2010	Mammoth Mountain	1988	Steamboat	1970	Mt. Rose
2009	Big Sky	1987	Crested Butte	1969	Mt. Reba / Bear Valley
2008	Vail Resorts	1986	Mammoth Mountain	1968	<i>no award</i>
2007	Aspen Snowmass	1985	Mt. Reba / Bear Valley	1967	Mammoth Mtn.
2006	Big White Ski Resort	1984	Snow Forest	1966	Alpine Meadows
2005	Breckenridge 2004 Ogden / Weber CVB	1983	Mountain High		
2003	Big Mountain	1982	Mammoth Ski Touring Center		
2002	Salt Lake CVB	1981	Mt. Rose		
2001	Silver Star	1980	Alpine Meadows <i>Nick Badami</i>		
2000	Park City Mtn. Resort	1979	Boreal Ridge		
1999	Ski New Mexico	1978	Snow Summit <i>Jo Tyndall Alexander</i>		
1998	Aspen Skiing Co.y	1977	Mountain High		
1997	Lake Louise Ski Area	1976	Heavenly Valley		
1996	Salt Lake CVB	1975	Mt. Reba / Bear Valley		
1995	Boreal Ski Company	1974	Kirkwood Meadows		
1994	Park City Ski Area	1973	Yosemite Mountain-eering School		
1993	Northstar-at-Tahoe				
1992	Mammoth Race Dept.				
1991	Bear Mountain				

Bill Mackey ...

Bill Mackey's interest and love of the mountains manifested itself early in his youth in exploring the High Sierra trails. In the summer, he expanded his knowledge of geology and nature. With the first snow cover, however, Bill was ready to head for the ski slopes. As an experienced skier, his interest was divided between competitive racing, ski instruction and professional patrolling.

In the spring of 1970, he experienced the thrill of racing during a Lange Ski Race Camp at Mammoth conducted by **Jimmie Heuga**. He turned 21 soon afterward,

making him old enough to start work as a full-time professional ski patrolman at Mammoth under the capable direction of **John Garner**.

In the autumn of 1970, his enthusiasm mounted as his skill in skiing and rescue work developed rapidly. In January 1971, at the age of 21, he met with a tragic non-skiing accident that brought his career to an abrupt end.

The Bill Mackey Award is given for outstanding Service to the skiing public by a ski industry or ski area employee. ❁

Bill Mackey Awardees

2012	Bob Bourquard, <i>Mt. Bachelor</i>	1996	Steve Orchin, <i>Canadian Pacific Hotels</i>	1982	Jim Catlin, <i>Mammoth Ski Tour</i>
2011	Bob Salerno, <i>Virtual Snow</i>	1995	Brent Boblitt, <i>Northstar-at-Tahoe</i>	1982	Ueli Luthi, <i>Mammoth Race</i>
2010	Brian Flickinger, <i>Vail Resorts</i>	1994	Brad Wilson, <i>Bear Mtn. Ski Resort</i>	1981	Mitch Vlad, <i>Canadian Tourism</i>
2009	Mary Manning, <i>Aspen Snowmass</i>	1993	Julie Maurer & Mike Blide, <i>Northstar-at-Tahoe</i>	1980	Harry Leonard, <i>Ski Show Company</i>
2008	Cyd Heatherly, <i>Snowbasin</i>	1992	Elise Waddell, <i>Mammoth Race Dept.</i>	1979	Bob Bergstrom, <i>Sports, Ltd.</i>
2007	Patrick Rothe, <i>ski.com</i>	1991	Jerry Simon, <i>SkiGroup</i>	1978	Chuck Morse, <i>Mountain High</i>
2006	Kris McKinnon, <i>Aspen</i>	1990	Jim Mott, <i>Squaw Valley USA</i>	1977	Chuck Morse, <i>Mountain High</i>
2005	Mark Thoreson, <i>Sun Valley</i>	1989	Marilyn Branch, <i>Coonskin Inn</i>	1977	Jack Hardy, <i>Tahoe Hyatt Hotel</i>
2004	Karen Schneider, <i>Steamboat</i>	1988	Mark Phillips, <i>Mt. Reba/Bear Valley</i>	1976	Bill Boardman, <i>Squaw Valley USA</i>
2003	Tammie Anstedt, <i>Vail/Heavenly</i>	1987	John Armstrong, <i>Mammoth Mtn.</i>	1975	Dick Parent, <i>High Sierra Reservations</i>
2002	Jim Loyd, <i>Big White Ski Resort</i>	1986	Bob Settineri and Ron Roesch, <i>"Mogul Mike" Sierra Productions</i>	1974	Knut Waarli, <i>Cal-Nordic Institute</i>
2001	John Frasca, <i>Central Holidays</i>	1985	Randy Fahrback, <i>Purgatory Ski Resort</i>	1973	Peter Brinkman, <i>Mt. Reba/Bear Valley</i>
2000	Don Beaulieu, <i>Sunshine Village</i>	1984	Nick Hudson, <i>Heavenly Valley</i>	1972	John Garner, <i>Mammoth Ski Patrol</i>
1999	Jean Louis Villiot, <i>Mammoth Mtn.</i>	1983	Chuck Morse, <i>Salomon On-Campus Learn-to-Ski Program</i>		
1999	Sandy Best, <i>Lake Louise</i>				
1998	Mary Evans, <i>Aspen</i>				
1997	Joe Pettit, <i>Northstar</i>				

... Bill Berry

Bill Berry reported winter sport news since the winter of 1916. He wrote on more ski tournaments, both Alpine and Nordic, than any other reporter in the nation.

Bill's career in the Sierra saw him on the slopes of Truckee and Lake Tahoe in 1926, covering events of the old National Ski Association.

Bill reported skiing for such papers as the *The Sacramento Bee*, *Reno Journal*, *The New York Daily News*, *The Sacramento Union*, and all the major wire services. He reported the skiing events for the 1960 Olympics and the FIS Championships in 1950 through 1964. In his last year of reporting, he covered over 100 Far West high school and intercollegiate races on the spot, a record that may never be equaled by any ski writer.

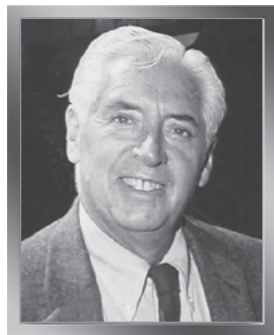
Bill was the Historian for Auburn Ski Club's Western SkiSport Museum at Boreal Ridge, and was Historian Emeritus for the U.S. Ski Hall of Fame in Ispeping,

Michigan.

In 1969, he was the recipient of the Blegen Award, the highest award given by USSA. He was inducted into the U.S. Ski Hall of Fame in the Bicentennial year, 1976. He passed away in January 1999, active to the end.

The Bill Berry Award

is for Print Coverage of Skiing. This award is given for outstanding service to skiing and is presented to writers for either a featured article or hard news. ✱



Courtesy Western SkiSport Museum

William Banks Berry
Apr. 7, 1903 – Jan. 1999

Bill Berry Awardees Print Awards—Featured

2012 Jon Tullis, "Timberline Lodge: A Love Story"	2004 Leigh Gieringer, Skier's Guide	1995 no award
2011 Wendolyn Holland, "Sun Valley: An Extra- ordinary History"	2003 Christopher Solomon, Ski/Skiing Magazines	1994 Glen Putman, Freelance Writer
2010 McKay Jenkins, "The Last Ridge"	2002 Chaco Mohler, Freelance Writer & Photographer	1993 no award
2009 Jennifer Woodlief, "A Wall of White"	2001 no award	1992 Robert Frohlich, Tahoe World
2008 Chris Davenport, "Ski the 14ers"	2000 Leigh Gieringer, Skier's Guide	1991 Glen Putman, Freelance Writer
2007 Charles J. Sanders, "The Boys of Winter"	1999 Gregory Dennis, Freelance Writer	
2006 April Darrow, Journalist	1998 Ken Castle, <i>Ski Magazine</i>	
2006 Jimmy Petterson "Skiing Around the World"	1997 Luanne Pfeifer, "Gretchen's Gold"	
2005 Richard Kun, "The Snow Summit Story, 1952-2002"	1996 Diane Slezak Scholfield, San Diego Union Tribune	

Bill Berry Awardees Print Awards—Hard News

2012 Bob Wilbanks, National Ski Club Newsletter	1990 Susan Vreeland, Freelance	1974 Warren Miller, Warren Miller Productions
2011 Tom Stienstra, San Francisco Chronicle	Burt Sims, Skiing Magazine	1973 Joan Sweeney, LA Times
2010 Syllas Wright, Sports Editor "Sierra Sun"	1989 Wendell Benedetti, Los Angeles Daily News	1972 Chap Wentworth, Sacramento Bee
2009 Walter Roessing	1988 Mary Wendt, Herald Examiner	1971 Russ Tiffany, Far West Ski News
2008 Walter Roessing	1987 Garry Niver, San Mateo Times	1970 Bob Lochner, San Francisco Chronicle
2007 Bob Wilbanks, National Ski Club Newsletter	1986 Clint Swift, Sacramento Bee	1969 John Hamilton, KPAT, San Francisco
2006 April Darrow, Journalist	1985 Walter Roessing, Contra Costa Times	1968 Lee Klein, Western Skier
2005 Walter Roessing	1984 Burt Sims, LA Herald Examiner	1967 Luanne Pfeifer, Santa Monica Evening Outlook
2004 Brian Clark	1983 Luanne Pfeifer, Freelance	1966 Burt Sims, LA Herald Examiner
2003 Walter Roessing	1982 Bob Lochner, LA Times	
2002 Katherine Cole	1981 Larry Christensen, US Ski News	
2001 no award	Harry Kaiser, Skiing Mag.	
2000 Walter Roessing, Contra Costa Times	1980 Glen Kramon, San Francisco Examiner	
1999 Rodney Angove, Sierra Ski Times	1979 Hal Roberts, Skiers Almanac	
1998 Sam Bauman, Sierra Ski Times	1978 Burt Sims, LA Herald Examiner	
1997 Al Auger	1977 Ethel Van DeGrift, Christian Science Monitor & LA Times	
1996 Bob Cox, Daily Breeze	1976 Hal Roberts, Skiers Almanac	
1995 Burt Sims, LA Herald Examiner	1975 Burt Sims, LA Herald Examiner	
1994 Bob Cox, <i>Daily Breeze</i>		
1993 Diane Slezak Scholfield, San Diego Union Tribune		
1992 Walter Roessing, Contra Costa Times		
1991 Garry Niver, San Mateo Times		

Special Award

1992 John Rosenfeld, Research



Snowshoe Flat
1952

... Warren Miller

Warren Miller is world famous for his annual ski movies. He is also a self-professed ski bum. But in our eyes, he is so much more—a legendary skier, author, cartoonist, cinematographer, humorist, columnist, entrepreneur, humanitarian, and a constant inspiration to all. His is the one most associated with modern media in the ski industry. More importantly, Warren has set the standard for those in the industry who assert themselves in the areas of cinematography, photography, movie and television editing and production, musical choreography and script writing.

Warren was born and raised in Hollywood, California during the Depression. In 1933, he purchased his first still camera for 35 cents, which started a career that has continued into the present century. In 1938 he purchased a pair of pine skis with toe straps in a garage sale. That provided the fuel for his life-long search and filming of exciting activities, sharing with the world his vision of freedom.

Known worldwide for his incredible filming exploits, Warren has awed the skiing public for 55 years with his entertaining movies, recording the adventures of skiing. A Warren Miller movie has plenty of powder, radical skiing,

and Warren's trademark brand of humor mixed with his opinions of a world skiing slightly off-piste.

Warren has raised a great deal of money for abused children's causes, adaptive groups, institutions of higher learning as well as medical research, libraries, museums and even a skateboard park. Warren recently established the Warren Miller Freedom Foundation, benefiting young people by creating programs and activities that will challenge, educate and train teens to open their own business.

The Warren Miller Award is for Modern Media Coverage of Skiing. This award is given for outstanding service to skiing by cinematographers, photographers, radio or television broadcasters. ❄



Warren Miller
1924 -

Courtesy Warren Miller

Warren Miller Awardees

[formerly Bill Berry Modern Media]

2012	Steve Bellamy, "Winter" (Ski Channel)	2002	Al Noraker, America's Outdoor Journal	1991	AMI News Service [Radio]
2011	Steve Bellamy, "The Story" (Ski Channel)	2002	Russ Cameron, Outdoor Media Group	1990	Bob Beattie, "Subaru Ski World"
2010	Darin Talbot & Robert Frohlich, "Around Tahoe—Skiing & Snowboarding Tour Guide"	2002	A.J. Kitt, Outdoor Life Network	1989	no award
2009	Jimmy Petterson & Ari Heinilla, "Raider of the Lost Snow"	2001	Jerry Hoffman, Freelance Radio	1988	Gemini Productions, "Ski Scene"
2008	Documentary Group / Sony Pictures	2000	Don Fontana, KJAY Reno	1987	no award
2007	Abbie Kealy, "The Last Ridge"	1999	no award	1986	Suzu Chaffee, Video Producer
2006	Steve Porino, NBC / OLN Broadcaster	1998	John Jay, Lifetime Achievement	1985	Cecil Charles, "The Skier" Photographer
2005	Joe Jay Jalbert, Jalbert Productions	1997	Chaco Mohler, Freelance Video	1984	Warren Miller, Warren Miller Productions
2004	Tammie Thompson kidzNsnow.com	1996	Chaco Mohler, Freelance Video	1983	John Hamilton, KPAT, San Francisco
2003	Josh Murphy, Unparalleled Productions	1994	Kurt Miller & Peter Speck, Warren Miller Entertainment	1982	Ken Nelson, KABC-TV
		1992	Warren Miller, "Born to Ski"		



President's ...

The President's Award is given to the individual who the President of the Far West Ski Association feels has done

the most to advance the immediate goals of Far West snowsports during the previous year. ❄

President's Awardees

2012	Mary & Norm Azevedo Sarah Hendrickson, <i>US Ski Jumper</i>	2001	Daron Rahlves, <i>US Ski Team</i>	Jane Wyckoff	
2011	Bob Ellis George Stewart	2000	Jane Wyckoff Karen Davis	1988	Cathy Gentile & Greg Manino, <i>US Handicapped Ski Team</i>
2010	Jane Wyckoff Lindsay Vonn, <i>US Ski Team</i>	1999	Phil Mahre, <i>US Olympian</i>	1987	
2009	Nancy Ellis Dylan Murtha	1998	Leigh Gieringer Jonny Moseley, <i>US Olympian</i>	1986	George Eachus
2008	Robb Margrave Joe Coles US Alpine Ski Team	1997	Barbara Razo	1985	Joe Ross
2007	Debbi Kor Mary Olhausen	1996	Harry Davis & Jane Wyckoff	1984	Mike Favia
2006	Michael German Steve Coxen Kathy Hoffmann	1995	Kyle Rasmussen, <i>US Ski Team</i> Jane Wyckoff	1983	Robert Jimenez
2005	Catherine Ohl Tammie Anstedt, <i>Vail Resorts</i>	1994	Randy Lew	1982	Bobby Moreno
2004	Billy Kidd, <i>US Olympian</i> Michael German	1993	Judith Miller	1979	Don Simpson
2003	Sigrid Noack	1992	Jeff Hamilton, <i>US Ski Team</i> <i>Speed Skiing</i>		
2002	Catherine Ohl Bill Johnson, <i>US Olympian</i>	1991	Alan Christian Paul Arrigo		
		1990	John Watson Janie "Frankie" Hansen		
		1989	Tamara McKinney, <i>US Ski Team</i>		

Long Term Contributions to Snowsports

Before the Hans Georg Award, Far West awarded Long Term Contributions to Skiing with the Miller High Life Award. ❄

1962	Byron Nishkian	1957	Wesley B. Hadden
1961	no award	1956	Gene Williams
1960	Dave McCoy	1955	Edward J. Johnson
1959	Robert J. Reed	1954	Richard W. Cronon
1958	Edward J. Johnson		

...Councils' Man & Woman of the Year

The FWSA Councils' Man and Woman of the Year, sponsored by **Big White Ski Resort** since 2001, are chosen by their peers based on contributions to organized skiing. In the beginning, this contest was mostly a beauty pageant for the ladies where the contestants modeled ski apparel. There were rounds of cocktail parties, publicity photographs followed by a hectic day of interviews and tours. The winner was crowned Queen. In 1976 Far West opened the competition to the men. The contest was not held in 1981 because Far West thought the contest was too sexist. The contest reappeared the following year as "Councils' Man and Woman of the Year" in the format utilized today. *Both Man & Woman of the year receive a 5 day ski trip for two to Big White with lodging and lift tickets.* ❄️



Courtesy Bill Singleton

Norm & Sigrid

Women of the Year

2012	Sigrid Noack	Los Angeles
2011	Debbie Stewart	Sierra
2010	Helen Harris	San Diego
2009	Lennia Machen	Intermountain
2008	Sheri Parshall	Northwest
2007	Jessica Freeman	Los Angeles
2006	Mary Beth Fitchlee	Arizona
2005	Barbara Bryant	Sierra
2004	Marge Fons	Arizona
2003	Elaine Cobos	Arizona
2002	Maxine Hanlon	Orange
2001	Dotti Loader	Sierra
2000	Catherine Ohl	Los Angeles
1999	Diane Hicks	Northwest
1998	Karen Davis	Bay Area
1997	Kathy Hoffmann	Bay Area
1996	Connie Smith	San Diego
1995	Linda Keller	Orange
1994	Marge Fons	Arizona
1993	Judy Sobel	Los Angeles
1992	Susie Vetter	San Diego
1991	Debi Le Vine	Los Angeles
1990	Julia Guifford	Central
1989	Pat Nangle	Orange
1988	Lauren Nagle	Central
1987	Judy Purdom	Bay Area
1986	Terry Mayle	Orange
1985		
1984	Linda Walker	San Diego
1983		
1982	Kay Raabe-Cofield	Los Angeles
1981	<i>not held</i>	
1979		
1978		
1976	Pam Pontius	San Diego
1975	Connie Cox	Inland
1974	Pamela Kay Anderson ³	Los Angeles
1973	Faye Halden ³	Central
1972	Tyoni Busch ³	Central
1971	Lori Spann	Central
1970	Sharon Reece ³	Southern

Men of the Year

Norm Azevedo	Bay Area
Gary Gunderson	Northwest
Jim Sommer	Sierra
Don Anderson	Intermountain
Dennis Heffley	Bay Area
Bob Ellis	Sierra
Jeff Peebles	Arizona
Steve Coxen	Northwest
Emilio Trampuz	Northwest
Andreas Vogel	Los Angeles
Bob March	San Diego
Donn Bryant	Sierra
Dan Halcomb	Sierra
Joe Loader	Sierra
Ethan Chickering	Bay Area
Mark Hanlon	Orange
Mike Sanford	San Diego
Hal Richey	Los Angeles
Tucker Hoffmann	Bay Area
Steve Ziomek	Arizona
Randy Lew	Bay Area
Steve Smith	Los Angeles
Norm Cullen	San Diego
Woody Hogan	Central
Dennis Doty	Inland
Bill Silliman	Orange
Cloyde Howard	Orange
Louis Buhler	Los Angeles
Robert Jimenez	Inland
Alan Christian	Bay Area
John Davidson	Los Angeles
<i>not held</i>	
Howard Wickersham	Los Angeles
Leo Stytle	Los Angeles
Dennis Eggert	Los Angeles



³ Named "Miss USSA"

Safety Person of the Year ...

The Far West Safety Award has been graciously sponsored by **Aspen/Snowmass, The Crestwood and The Gant** since its inception in 1998.

The first year, the award was presented to **Jo Henry** who coined the safety phrase below that best articulated the FWSA safety position. **Jim Ortiz** contributed the appropriate tag line — a clever safety

acronym for FWSA.

The Safety Award is presented to the person within FWSA who does the most to promote safe skiing and safety programs. The winner is awarded seven days of skiing in Aspen with airfare, lodging, lift tickets, lessons and rentals for two persons. ❄️

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Safety Awardees

2012	Fran Long, <i>Central</i>	2006	Catherine Ohl, <i>LA/SD</i>	2000	Denise Vance, <i>SD</i>
2011	Gordon Cardona, <i>LAC</i>	2005	T.J. Barnes, <i>SD</i>	1999	Catherine Ohl, <i>LA/SD</i>
2010	Richard Rizk, <i>NW</i>	2004	Bob Ellis, <i>BAC</i>	1998	Jo Henry, <i>SD</i>
2009	Sandy Beecher, <i>BAC</i>	2003	Elaine Cobos, <i>AC</i>		
2008	Randy Salzman, <i>BAC</i>	2002	Richard Lubin, <i>BAC</i>		
2007	Emilio Trampuz, <i>NW</i>	2001	Richard Lubin, <i>BAC</i>		



...Western Ski Heritage

The purpose of the Association's Western Ski Heritage program is to raise the awareness of skiers and non-skiers alike of the contributions made by individuals, groups and companies to all aspects of skiing—competitive as well as outdoor winter recreation and fitness. A parallel purpose is to convey the positive role skiing has had in its contributions to the communities in the West.

The Western Ski Heritage Award has been sponsored by **Steamboat Ski & Resort Corporation** since its inception in 2000.

The Western Ski Heritage Program will recognize the best effort to find, preserve, document and share the history of skiing in the West. The winner is awarded 5 days of skiing in Steamboat with lodging, lessons and lift tickets for two persons. ❄️

Western Ski Heritage Awardees

2012	John James Rokka & FWSA Ski Week Histories	2007	Catherine Ohl <i>Far West 75th Ski History Celebration</i>	2002	Ingrid Wicken Book: "Pray for Snow: The History of Skiing in Southern California"
2011	Erin Barber <i>San Diego Ski Club History</i>	2006	Robin Morning <i>Mammoth Museum</i>	2001	Chris Miller <i>Cascade Ski Club History</i>
2010	Jane Jackson <i>Northern Arizona Ski Heritage</i>	2005	Ingrid Wicken <i>California Ski Library</i>	2000	Sutter Kunkel <i>Far West Charter Flight Portfolio</i>
2009	Marianne O'Connor Robin Morning <i>Western Ski Heritage</i>	2004	Martin Forstenzer Book: "Mammoth: Sierra Legend"		
2008	Robin Morning Book: "Tracks of Passion"	2003	Catherine Ohl <i>Ski History Web Site</i>		



... Tollakson Outstanding Club

Chester David Tollakson's activities in club leadership, racing and committees mark him as the finest that organized skiing can produce. Dave's involvement in Far West started in the mid-60s with the Rokka League. He trained, skied, took lessons and practiced.

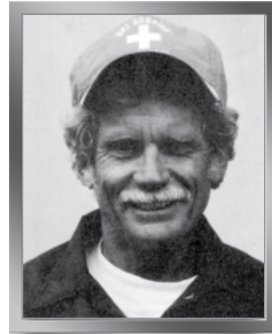
Concurrently, he took up patrolling with the National Ski Patrol [NSP] at Goldmine and trained in first aid, evacuation and winter survival. He was a major force in the development of search & rescue and ski mountaineering with the Southern Region NSP.

Dave's climbing was related to this activity and the climb on which he met his death on Mt. San Jacinto was in training with **Steve Reneker** for a 1995 assault on Everest. Steve completed the climb and carried the Far West banner and Dave's ashes to the top. In 1995, the Outstanding Club Award was named in honor of Dave.

In an effort to recognize the recreational skier, Far West awarded the first outstanding ski club in 1963.

The criteria used then was based on the percentage of members who belonged to Far West, amount of money donated to Far West, number of members holding Far West offices, and number of members passing the Uniform Ski Test.

Today, the Tollakson Award is presented to an outstanding club based on an evaluation of their structure, organization, skiing, sports, social events, and giving to their community. ❄



Courtesy Lynn Tollakson

C. David Tollakson
Mar. 30, 1935 – Apr. 9, 1994

Tollakson Outstanding Club Awardees

	Class A	Class AA	Class AAA	Class AAAA
2012	Pacific Rim	North Island	Mountain High	
2011	Pacific Rim	Fresno	no award	
2010	no award	North Island	Mountain High	Bergfreunde
2009	no award	no award	North Island	Après
2008	no award	no award	Mountain High	Conejo
2007	Unrecables	Don Diego	Mountain High	North Island
2006	Skiyente [tie] Unrecables [tie]	Mountain High	Pacific Rim	Bergfreunde
2005	no award	Mountain High	Pacific Rim	Après
2004	no award	no award	no award	Après
2003	no award	no award	no award	
2002	Bota Baggers	Singles	Bergfreunde	
2001	no award	North Island	Bergfreunde	
2000	Skiyente	Singles	Bergfreunde	
1999	Rusty Bindings	Century City	Bergfreunde	
1998	Skiyente	Singles	Bergfreunde	
1997	Bota Baggers	Century City	Après	
1996	Tri Valley	Century City	Bergfreunde	
1995	Inskiers	Century City	Après	
1994	Inskiers	Singles	Balboa	
1993	Inskiers	Century City	Balboa	
1992	Rusty Bindings	Snowchasers	Balboa	
1991	Snowchasers	no award	Balboa	
1990	Snow Drifters	Singles	Balboa	
1989	Inskiers	Singles	Balboa	



Tollakson Outstanding Club ...

Tollakson Outstanding Club Awardees *Continued*

	Class A	Class AA	Class AAA
1988	Irvine	Singles	Balboa
1987	Inskiers	Snowchasers	Balboa
1986	San Francisco	Snowchasers	Balboa
1985	San Francisco	Sundance	Balboa
1984	Rusty Bindings	no award	Balboa
1983	no award	Singles	no award
1982	Wailers	Singles	Après
1981	Wailers	Singles	no award
1980	Wailers	Singles	no award
1979	Wailers	Singles	Après
1978	Wailers	Westwood	Après
1977	Wailers	Singles	Après
1976	Wailers ⁴	Singles ⁴	Hughes
1975	Wailers ⁴	Singles ⁴	
1974	Wailers ⁴	Westwood	
1973	Vand Bakke	Westwood ⁴	
1972	Singles ⁴	Westwood ⁴	
1971	Singles ⁴	Westwood	
1970	Singles ⁴	Fresno ⁴	
1969	Wailers ⁴		
1968	Edelweiss		
1967	Buddy's Angels		
1966	Buddy's Angels		
1965			
1964			
1963	Grindelwald		

⁴ Awarded USSA Outstanding Club



Far West Presidents

2006-	Randy Lew	1957-59	Edward J. Johnson
2003-06	Mike Sanford	1955-57	Wesley B. Hadden
2000-03	Steve Coxen	1954-55	Robert J. Schenck ²
1996-00	Harry Davis	1952-54	Paul H. Smith
1993-96	Norm Cullen	1951-52	Frank Ferguson
1991-93	Paul Arrigo	1950-51	Arthur H. Van De Kamp
1988-91	Mike Favia	1949-50	B.M. "Milt" Zimmerman
1987-88	Howard Wickersham	1948-49	Cortlandt T. Hill
1985-87	Janie "Frankie" Hansen	1947-48	J.C. "Criss" Schwarzenbach
1981-85	Jane Wyckoff	1945-47	Albert E. Sigal
1976-81	Ed Gehle	1941-45	Frank H. Howard
1973-76	Dick Croft	1937-41	James F. Connell
1971-73	John Watson	1934-37	Arnold Weber
1969-71	Richard Goetzman	1932-34	Cecil Edmunds
1968-69	Carl F. Grover	1930-32	Wendell Robie
1966-68	Stanley V. Walton, Jr.		
1963-66	Leonard Speicher		
1962-63	Sutter E. Kunkel		
1959-62	Byron Nishkian		

² It is not clear if Robert Schenck, elected in 1954, served out his term.

... Wentworth Outstanding Publication

Chapman "Chappie" Wentworth contributed to Far West for over 50 years. Chapman undertook committee responsibilities for the Association in the 1950s and served as Secretary of Far West when the numbers of officers were far fewer. He was an editor of several Tahoe area newspapers and edited Bill Berry's book "Lost Sierra: Gold, Ghosts & Skis."

A native of Boston, Chappie graduated from Dartmouth, having skied on the varsity team. Chappie was scheduled to participate in the canceled 1940

Olympics and was Southern California's Downhill Champion for 1941.

Chap and his wife Janet were always ready to lend support in the Bay Area or Tahoe raising funds for ski causes and the US Ski Team.

The Wentworth Award is given to the club whose publications are judged best based on layout, content, and club size. It was fitting that Chappie be remembered for his dedication to Far West by giving his name to the Outstanding Club Publication. ❁



Chapman Wentworth
1918 – Dec. 10, 1993

Wentworth Outstanding Publication Awardees

Class A	Class AA	Class AAA	Class AAAA	Council
2012 Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Debi Young, North Island	Emilio Trampuz Mountain High		Steve Hilliker Sierra
2011 Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Michael Bouton, Bogus Basin	Emilio Trampuz Mountain High		no award
2010 Gordon Cardona Unrecables	Barry Cole, North Island	Emilio Trampuz Mountain High		Linda McGavin Northwest
2009 Gordon Cardona Unrecables	Karl Cikste, Don Diego	Lynn Wilbur Reno	Paul Tidball Bergfreunde	Nancy Ellis Sierra
2008 Gordon Cardona Unrecables	Karl Cikste, Don Diego	Emilio Trampuz Mountain High	Connie Burdette Après	Sig Kalties Bay Area
2007 Gordon Cardona Unrecables	Don Hamm & Karl Cikste, Don Diego	Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Liz Dauw Bergfreunde	Sig Kalties Bay Area
2006 Gordon Cardona Unrecables	Don Hamm Don Diego	Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Don Violet North Island	Catherine Ohl Los Angeles
2005 Gordon Cardona Unrecables	Emilio Trampuz Mountain High	Orange County	Don Violette North Island	Catherine Ohl Los Angeles
2004 Karen Reber Capital	Don Hamm Don Diego	Judith Miller Singles	Dorothy Pantel Après	Catherine Ohl Los Angeles
2003 Karen Reber Capital	Cheryl Hasegawa Asian	Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Dorothy Pantel Après	Catherine Ohl Los Angeles
2002 Bonnie West Auslich	Catherine Ohl Century City	Dorothy Pantel Après		
2001 Bonnie West Auslich	Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Kathy Boyer Après		
2000 Mary Costigan Grindelwald	Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Dorothy Pantel Après		
1999 Mary Costigan Grindelwald	Jennifer Beever Century City	Ron Mitchell Bergfreunde		
1998 Hal Richey Wailers	Mary Costigan Grindelwald	Donna Harvey Balboa		
1997 Barbara Betlem Wailers	Kiyomi Stineman Santa Barbara	Dorothy Pantel Après		
1996 Betty Ward Tri Valley	Kiyomi Stineman Santa Barbara	Ron Mitchell Bergfreunde		
1995 Bonnie West Tri Valley [tie]	Susan Greenman Santa Barbara	Jeanie Schultz Après		

Wentworth Outstanding Publication ...

Wentworth Outstanding Publication Awardees Continued

Class A	Class AA	Class AAA
1995 Inskiers [tie]		
1994 Ann Culbertson Powderhounds	Susan Greenman Santa Barbara	Laura Roth Balboa
1993 Rick Webb Powderhounds	Susan Greenman Santa Barbara	Reba Amish Balboa
1992 Jackie Veats Schi Laufers	Susan Greenman Santa Barbara	Reba Amish Balboa
1991 Jackie Rose Schi Laufers	Judy Earle Convair	Jeanie Schultz Après
1990 Hal Day Wailers	Stan Tschernenko Auslich	Maureen Bivins Balboa
1989 Nora Smith Wailers	Eileen Tschernenko Auslich	Maureen Bivins Balboa
1988 Irvine	Century City	Rita Dwyer Balboa
1987 San Francisco	Arlene Madsen Singles	Rusty Etzel Torrey Pines
1986 Camber	Hump Jumpers	Rita Dwyer Balboa
1985 Century City	Norm Gallager Singles	Rita Dwyer Balboa
1984 Rusty Bindings	Arlene Madsen Singles	Rusty Etzel Torrey Pines
1983 Steve Angelo Powderhounds ⁵	Pam Bailey & Millie Honeycutt, Singles	Karl Ponath Torrey Pines
1982 Diana Beggs Wailers	Wally Manning & Bob Hirsh, Singles	Jeanie Schultz Après
1981 Naomi Altman Wailers	Ann-Marie Mercon Westwood	Norma Benthien Torrey Pines
1980 Larry Singer Powderhounds	Betty MacMurray Auslich	Dick Bardell Torrey Pines
1979 San Francisco	Donna Holtz Auslich	Après
1978 Carily Mullen Wailers	John Rosenkranz Westwood	Après
1977 Snow Drifters	Westwood	
1976 Joy Melton Wailers ⁵	Westwood	
1975 Russ Tiffany Wailers	Après ⁵	
1974 Rosemary Moschel Wailers ⁵	Rachel Martin Santa Barbara	
1973 Don Marshall Orange County	Lori & Patti Spann Fresno	
1972 Linda Kaderli Singles	Judy Fjeld & Angie McArthur Fresno ⁵	
1971 Steve Emanuel & Laurel Rohrer Singles	Paula Turcotte Hughes	
1970 Sylvia Carlson Wailers ⁵	Nancy Chadwick Fresno	



... Outstanding Web Site

Clubs have adapted their communication styles to meet the needs of their membership and changes in technology. 2001 and 2003 marked the inaugural judging of club and council web sites, respectively.

The Outstanding Web Site Award is given to the club whose web site is judged best based on layout, content, current data, usefulness, navigation, ease of use, and club size. ❄

Outstanding Web Site Awardees

Class A	Class AA	Class AAA	Class AAAA	Council
2012 Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Joe Burgess Cheyenne	Emilio Trampuz Mountain High		no award
2011 Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Crissymarie King Fresno	Bev Novak Idaho Falls		no award
2010 Bonnie West Singles	Don Cheshire North Island	Ed Martin Après		John Jensen Northwest
2009 Cathy Wilson Inskiers	Crissymarie King Fresno	Emilio Trampuz Mountain High	Paul Tidball Bergfreunde	Lennia Machen Intermountain
2008 Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Crissymarie King Fresno	Emilio Trampuz Mountain High	Paul Tidball Bergfreunde	Steve Coxen Northwest
2007 Cathy Wilson Inskiers	Karl Cikste Don Diego	Crissymarie King Fresno	Paul Tidball Bergfreunde	Steve Coxen Northwest
2006 Georgina Hackett Unrecables	Emilio Trampuz Mountain High	Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Liz Dauw Bergfreunde	Steve Coxen Northwest
2005 no award	Emilio Trampuz Mountain High	Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Liz Dauw Bergfreunde	Steve Coxen Northwest
2004 Bonnie West Tri Valley	Cheryl Hasegawa Asian	Laura Meldrum Torrey Pines	Jeanie Schultz Après	Laura Meldrum San Diego
2003 Georgina Hackett Unrecables	Cheryl Hasegawa Asian	Wes Hopper Phoenix	Len Humbird Bergfreunde	Chris Miller Northwest
2002 Bonnie West Tri Valley	Catherine Ohl Pacific Rim	Bill Kellett Scottsdale		
2001 Kay Cofield Auslich	Larry Davis Century City	Steve Olson Balboa		

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Charity & Community Service ...

Far West, councils and clubs are committed to supporting charitable giving and volunteerism. Inaugurated in 2008, a deserving club or council receives a \$300 donation for their charity of choice. The second and third place clubs, as well as the winning council, each receives a \$100 donation to the charity of their choice. ❄

Charity & Community Awardees

2012 Fire 'N Ice, BAC
2011 Monterey, BAC
2010 Skiyente, NW
2009 Monterey Ski & Social, BAC
2008 Arizona Council, AZ

... Historical Recognition

Launched in 2008, Far West initiated a program to capture club, council, and league history. Judging is done by knowledgeable snowsports historians. ❄

Historical Awardees

2012 no award
2011 Singles, LAC
2010 Fresno, Central
2009 Skiyente, NW
2008 North Island Snowdrifters, SD

... Verified Historic Ski Clubs



Holding FWSA Club Historic Certificates from left to right —
San Diego
Grindelwald
Fresno
Cheyenne
Skiyente
Sequoia
Singles

Historic Club	Location	Council	Founded
Balboa	Newport Beach, CA	Orange	1955
Cheyenne	Cheyenne, WY	Intermountain	1959
Fresno	Fresno, CA	Central	1934
Grindelwald	Los Angeles, CA	Los Angeles	1949
Idaho Falls	Idaho Falls, ID	Intermountain	1947
Longview	Longview, WA	Northwest	1935
Mt. Hood Ski Patrol	Mt. Hood, OR	Northwest	1937
San Diego	San Diego, CA	San Diego	1935
Schnee Vogeli	Portland, OR	Northwest	1937
Sequoia	Visalia, CA	Sierra	1935
Singles	Los Angeles, CA	Los Angeles	1961
Skiyente	Portland, OR	Northwest	1955

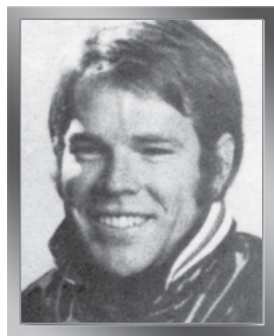
... Terry Smith

Terry Smith's intense love for the mountains first brought him to Mammoth in 1965 to work for **Gus Weber** in the Mammoth Ski School. But Big Bear offered him a ski instructor and race coach position where he became the assistant director.

Terry returned to Mammoth in 1971 to work as a ski instructor and then assistant head of the Mammoth race department. Throughout his skiing career, Terry was very active with the Far West Ski Instructor's Association. Terry handled all the public relations for the Mammoth Race Department and worked closely with the Far West Race Leagues. Terry originated and set up the teaching system for the race clinics and was responsible for putting on the village ski championships.

Terry died in a tragic accident while operating an earth moving machine at the top of Chair 3 in the summer of 1975. In his memory, Race Stadium Run in the Blue Ox area was named Terry's Run.

The Terry Smith Award is bestowed on the outstanding individual who has greatly contributed to the advancement of intramural skiing. ❄



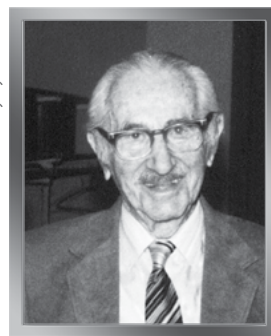
Courtesy Robin Morning

Terry Smith
– Sept. 5, 1975

Terry Smith Awardees

2012	Maxine Hanlon	Orange
2011	Jo Simpson	Sierra
2010	no award	
2009	Scott Peer	Los Angeles
2008	Craig Faitel	Bay Area
2007	Beat Hupfer	Mammoth
2006	Jim Sommer	Sierra
2005	Barbara Bryant	Sierra
2004	Dan Jeffrey	Sierra
2003	Richard Shawkey	Bay Area
2002	Dotti Gallagher	Sierra
2002	Joe Loader	Sierra
2001	Robb Margrave	Bay Area
2000	Mark Hanlon	Orange
1999	Marty Purmort	Los Angeles
1998	Lynnell Calkins	Los Angeles
1997	Bob Bernard	Sierra
1996	Ken Calkins	Los Angeles
1995	no award	
1994	Bob & Debbie Warzynski	Inland
1993	Herb Schraibman	Los Angeles
1992	Bob Ellis	Bay Area

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Courtesy Fay Mumbauer

Joe Ross
May 8, 1886 - July 17, 1985

Joe belonged to Grindelwald Ski Club, Far World Ski Club and Far West for over thirty-

Joe Ross came to the US from Frankfurt, Germany, at the age of 21. Joe started skiing in 1935 at the young age of 52, when he put on his first pair of skis at Snow Valley. He skied all over Europe and the US.

five years. His first NASTAR race was at Jackson Hole at the age of 84. He was featured by **Harry Reasoner** at age 88 on national TV when he won his gold NASTAR at Aspen. In his early 90s, he was featured in a Warren Miller film. He also appeared in *Ripley's Believe It or Not* for being the oldest downhill skier in the US.

It was Joe's most earnest goal to ski until the age of 100. However, his goal came to an end at age 97 when he suffered a stroke while skiing at Aspen. Joe died shortly after his 99th birthday.

Joe was an inspiration to every skier with his vim, vigor, love of life and dedication to the sport of skiing. His spirit continues in the Far West Joe Ross Memorial Race.

The Joe Ross trophy goes to the ski club at Ski Week with the most total points for Slalom and Giant Slalom. ❄

Joe Ross Lake Louise Location

2013	Aerospace	Sierra	Aspen/Snowmass, CO
2012	Cabernet	Sierra	Jackson Hole, WY
2011	Balboa	BAC	Sun Valley, ID
2010	Modesto	BAC	Keystone, CO
2009	Modesto	BAC	Big Sky, MT
2008	Modesto	BAC	Whistler, BC
2007	Castro Valley	BAC	Steamboat, CO
2006	Castro Valley	LAC	Telluride, CO
2005	Modesto	LAC	Aspen/Snowmass, CO
2004	Modesto	LAC	Lake Louise, Canada
2003	Phoenix/Code 3		Big Mountain, MT
2002	Code 3	Sierra	Copper Mtn., CO
2001	Code 3	BAC	Sun Valley, ID
2000	Castro Valley	BAC	Whistler, Canada
1999	Castro Valley	BAC	Lake Louise, Canada
1998	Castro Valley	BAC	Jackson Hole, WY
1997	Castro Valley	BAC	Steamboat, CO
1996	Castro Valley	BAC	Mt. Bachelor, OR
1995	Balboa	Orange	Whistler, Canada
1994	Castro Valley	BAC	Banff, Canada
1993	Century City	LAC	Aspen, CO
1992	Century City	LAC	Vail, CO
1991	SLO Skiers	Central	Breckenridge, CO
1990	Grindelwald	LAC	Telluride, CO
1989	Sequoia	Central	Banff, Canada
1988	Grindelwald	LAC	The Summit, CO
1987	Sequoia	Central	Park City, UT
1986	Edelweiss	LAC	Jackson Hole, WY



Courtesy Rudi Peet

The current **Lake Louise Council Trophy** is very special and literally a work of art. **Rudi Peet**, a Canadian jewelry designer and goldsmith, created the masterpiece for FWSA. The trophy was commissioned by Lake Louise Ski Resort and presented to Far West in 1997.

The trophy center is a sterling silver Canadian bear that was hand-crafted by Rudi. The fierce looking bear is perched upon "Rundle Rock" from the Canadian Rockies which sits atop a Canadian Cedar block. Behind the bear is etched glass resembling a mountain complete with ski runs.

The Lake Louise trophy, displayed at the Western Skisport Museum, goes to the ski council at Ski Week with the most total points for Slalom and Giant Slalom. ❄

... Athletic Scholarships

The Far West Ski Association Athletic Scholarship Fund was established in 2004 for the purpose of providing financial assistance to junior alpine ski racers. Funds for the athletic scholarships are provided through generous contributions from several sponsors. **Whitefish**

Mountain Resort (formerly Big Mountain) and **Grouse Mountain Lodge**, MT, were our first sponsors of the fund. **Schure Sports, USA**, makers of **Karbon** brand ski clothing, joined the program in 2005. ❄



Year	Scholarship Awardees		
2012-13	Dean Austin <i>WA</i> Ali Gunesch <i>OR</i> Molly Leavens <i>UT</i> Madeline Riffel <i>CA</i> Mary Totten <i>ID</i> Alexa Wehsener <i>CA</i>	Elyse Burandt <i>WA</i> Haley Hanseler <i>WA</i> Kayleigh MacGregor <i>CA</i> Jordan Schweitzer <i>OR</i> Cody Underkoffler <i>CA</i>	Kirk Carlson <i>CA</i> Lila Lapanja <i>CA</i> Danny O'Neal <i>WA</i> Hunter Stuercke <i>UT</i> Lucas Underkoffler <i>CA</i>
2011-12	Linnea Baysinger <i>WA</i> Rose Casten <i>UT</i> Ali Gunesch <i>OR</i> Lila Lapanja <i>NV</i> Foreste Peterson <i>CA</i> Lucas Underkoffler <i>CA</i>	Dylan Brooks <i>CA</i> Scott Cooper <i>CA</i> Haley Hanseler <i>WA</i> Morganne Murphy <i>CA</i> Jordan Schweitzer <i>OR</i> Alexa Wehsener <i>CA</i>	Kirk Carlson <i>CA</i> Garret Driller <i>CA</i> Hanna Johnson <i>CA</i> Dylan Murtha <i>CA</i> Stephan Splitsoser <i>OR</i> Cai Yamamoto <i>WA</i>
2010-11	Linnea Baysinger <i>WA</i> Johanna Gur <i>CA</i> Nahanni Lukes <i>OR</i> Morganne Murphy <i>CA</i> Jordan Schweitzer <i>OR</i>	Tenaya Driller <i>CA</i> Haley Hanseler <i>WA</i> Keith Moffat <i>CA</i> Dylan Murtha <i>CA</i> Alexa Wehsener <i>CA</i>	Forrest Ferguson <i>CA</i> Lila Lapanja <i>NV</i> Nicolo Monforte <i>CA</i> Brianna Piper <i>CA</i> Cai Yamamoto <i>WA</i>
2009-10	Julia Bjorkman <i>CA</i> Haley Hanseler <i>OR</i> Nicolo Monforte <i>CA</i> Jake Perkins <i>CA</i> Kenneth Wilson <i>CA</i>	Dylan Brooks <i>CA</i> Allene Kennedy <i>CA</i> Morganne Murphy <i>CA</i> Jetta Rackleff <i>OR</i>	Ali Gunesch <i>OR</i> Lila Lapanja <i>NV</i> Dylan Murtha <i>CA</i> Jordan Schweitzer <i>OR</i>
2008-09	Anton Hilts <i>OR</i> Dylan Murtha <i>CA</i> Jordan Schweitzer <i>OR</i>	Madison Gumerman <i>AZ</i> Carl Noges <i>WA</i>	Macaulay Lyon <i>WA</i> Jake Perkins <i>CA</i>
2007-08	Jake Baker <i>CA</i> Riker McClaskey <i>CA</i>	Mark Engle <i>CA</i> Jetta Rackleff <i>OR</i>	Anton Hilts <i>OR</i> Shannon Hartmann <i>CA</i>
2006-07	Kaylee Ann Cortopassi <i>CA</i> Jetta Rackleff <i>OR</i>	Geordie Lonza <i>CA</i> Andrea Wallace <i>OR</i>	Anton Hilts <i>OR</i>
2005-06	Anton Hilts <i>OR</i>	Chris Hinkley <i>CA</i>	Andee Wallace <i>OR</i>
2004-05	Brandy Barba <i>CA</i>	Martin Harris <i>CA</i>	