

Elizabeth "Schatzi" Wood

Nominated by:

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Jeannine Davis

Years of Service: 2017-2019

Jeannine Davis is currently serving on the FWSA Board of Directors as the Silent Auction Chairperson. She volunteered to take over this position in July, 2014, after Mary Olhausen, our previous Silent Auction Chair, retired.

This job has tremendous responsibilities and requires not only leadership in coordinating many facets of a large event, but innumerable hours to get the job done. She has had to deal with major challenges with resort consolidation, leading to a necessity to find new vendors to participate. She takes everything in stride with good humor and manages to conduct a financially successful Silent Auction year after year.

When she first took on this position, she was just coming back into the throes of Far West, after having taken time off to have a home built and get settled in the Auburn area, so a lot of things were new to her. Jeannine, however, came in with eyes wide open and was eager to continue in the same manner as put forth by those who ran the program before her. *And she did!* We had a very successful Silent Auction in San Diego in 2015. Then, she continued on into Scottsdale in 2016, Boise in 2017 and Reno in 2018. Each year was a cut above the previous year.

In 2018, Jeannine, along with the rest of the Far West Board of Directors, saw that Far West was in need of developing a new website, for Event Management, a Registration Program for Convention and Trips, and a Database that could be shared by all the VP's in those programs. She began reaching out to various management companies that would be able to handle every aspect of club and association management from one self-contained, and self-sufficient platform. She led us to Club Express, who we have now contracted with to begin building us a new product, which should be up and running sometime in 2019.

Prior to the Convention in 2018, Jeannine spent many evenings traveling to Bay Area Council clubs to promote the Convention, and sign up volunteers for the many jobs that our convention requires. She was able to sign up enthusiastic volunteers from the Snowchasers, Castro Valley Ski Club, Modesto Ski Club, Rusty Bindings and several others to assist with the myriad of details of running the Silent Auction. And....she did all this in her own free time.

She has generously opened her Squaw Valley mountain home for Silent Auction Committee Meetings on more than one occasion. Not only have these meetings been highly productive, but also provide an atmosphere of great fun, food and camaraderie for the committee members. She is an exceptionally gracious host!

Jeannine was the Founding Member of the Snowonders Ski Club, of Bay Area Snow Sports Council, when she and her husband Robb lived in Novato. Not only was she the Founding Member, but she was also the Treasurer from 1999, when the club formed, through 2017. While her husband, Robb, was the Chairman of the Open League Race Committee, Jeannine was the Chief Gate Keeper. In that position, she established procedures and standards still in use today. In 2017, they moved north, to the Auburn area and became members of Snowchasers, another Bay Area club.

Jeannine is a pleasure to work with, and she combines enthusiasm and hard work to bring her ideas to fruition for the benefit of all FWSA members. She has established positive personal relationships with ski resort representatives and ski industry suppliers. Her efforts have significantly enhanced the image of FWSA in the ski industry.

Jeannine exemplifies the true spirit of the *Elizabeth "Schatzi" Wood Award*, presented to a woman who has made a significant contribution to skiing.

