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Hans Georg Nomination

Debbie Stewart



It is our pleasure and with great pride to nominate **Debbie Stewart**, current **FWSA VP of International Travel**, for the **Hans Georg Award**.

Debbie has been contributing to the sport of skiing for the past 28 years. Her involvement began in 1995 when she joined **Sequoia Ski Club** in Visalia. Since joining her club, she served the club as **President** for eight years, **Treasurer** for one year and **VP of Travel** for ten years. Along with involvement with Sequoia Ski Club, Debbie was also very involved with **Sierra Council** and served as **Sierra Council's V.P. of Travel** for fourteen years and was the **Sierra Council Woman of the Year** for three years. In 2011, Debbie was the **FWSA Councils' Woman of the Year** recipient. She also was the recipient of the **Elizabeth "Schatzi" Wood Award** in 2014.

Debbie served as the **Far West Ski Association's Secretary** from 2006 to 2012 before being elected to the position of **VP of International Travel** in 2012. She continues to be the FWSA VP of International Travel now going on 13 years. She has led many very successful FWSA ski and adventure trips to several parts of the world. Since becoming VP of International Travel, Debbie has continually worked to expand the FWSA International Travel Program. She has also expanded Far West Ski Association's relationships with new and old tour operators, which has resulted in new industry participants attending our FWSA Conventions.

Some of her biggest contributions are not only from the offices she has held, but the many hours of "behind the scenes" assistance. Her unselfish assistance has been prevalent with Sequoia Ski Club, Sierra Council and Far West.

Debbie organized and conducted **Snowsports Leadership Academy** sessions covering travel topics for the past three FWSA Conventions that were well attended and received.

Besides FWSA, one of Debbie's other interests is for those who don't have a voice. Debbie finds time to contribute to the **SPCA Animal Shelter** where she provides support and sponsorship for various fundraising events.

Debbie Stewart is energetic, enthusiastic, and eager in all aspects, especially when it comes to the Far West Ski Association. She has been an outstanding volunteer and has shown tremendous dedication to the Far West Ski Association, and the sport of skiing for over 28 years. It is now time to show Debbie our appreciation for her hard work and dedication to snowsports and FWSA by providing her with the recognition she so deserves by presenting her with the **Hans Georg Award**.