

## 2009 Season Banquet Silent Auction

The Far West Masters Scholarship Program will hold a silent auction as part of the season finale awards banquet on Saturday April 4, following the final scoring races of the season at Mt. Rose. Proceeds of the auction go to the Far West Masters Scholarship Program to support junior ski racers in the Far West division.

The featured item being offered is a full season Masters Training pass for Sugar Bowl, Squaw Valley, Mt Rose and North Star for the 2009-2010 season (North Star only is slightly restricted). If you are planning on joining one of these programs next year, consider buying your pass at the auction where you can both contribute to a worthy cause as well as possibly save some money!

Additional silent auction items include:

- 10 Masters one day training passes at Mammoth (good for the early season camp)
- Season ski pass at Mammoth
- Ski race boots of your choice with fitting and orthotic from Footloose in Mammoth
- The Mirviss Condo rental at Squaw Valley Lodge for a race weekend. The studio condo has two queen beds; one of the beds is a fold out couch that is very comfortable. So this means it will sleep two couples comfortably in semi privacy. It has a small kitchen, with dorm type refrigerator. Amenities include: weight room, sauna, steam room, 2 outdoor and 4 indoor Jacuzzis. It is in the same complex as the Squaw Awards Party Room. Best of all, it is only about 30 yards from the lift servicing the race hill! Please open the bidding at \$150 for the weekend.
- a brand new top of the line heavy duty Holmenkol portable wax bench

If you can not attend, you can place a bid on the Tahoe training pass or other items by contacting Eddie Mozen at (530) 581-4523 or mozen@concentric.net prior to Saturday night. Also contact Eddie if you need any additional information on the banquet or auction items.

### ***About the Scholarship Program***

The Far West Masters Scholarship Program is now in our 17th year of raising funds to benefit Far West Junior ski racers and over that time period we have awarded almost \$300,000 in scholarship funds. We are an incorporated 501©(3) public charity tax-exempt organization.

Our goal is to promote academic scholarship, citizenship and leadership within the ski racing community and keep athletes involved in ski racing that might not otherwise have a chance without financial support. We are proud of the fact that a large number of our sponsored athletes have gone on to college, many on ski and scholastic scholarships. We believe keeping athletes involved in ski racing keeps them focused, teaches discipline and helps them to be successful in the rest of their life endeavors. As we continue to expand we have several new projects on the horizon with the ultimate goal of setting up a full scholarship program to college for our sponsored athletes. Additionally, the US Ski Team currently has 4 of our program's alumni on the Team; Marco Sullivan, Stacey Cook, Tim Jitloff, and Travis Ganong.