

## Golden Gate Audubon Society Board Nominees 2017

**Sharon Beals** is a photographer, author and citizen scientist. Her book, *Nests: Fifty Nests and the Birds that Built Them* (Chronicle Books), is her effort to create interest in the conservation issues affecting birds. Her photographs have appeared in *Audubon*, *National Geographic*, and *Birding* magazines, and a show of her nest photographs has traveled from the National Academy of Sciences to Massachusetts Audubon and to the Cornell University Museum of Vertebrates. Since publication of her book, Sharon has presented about conservation issues, including giving a TED Earth talk and a presentation to architects on bird-safe buildings. Sharon is presently a designated member of our Board of Directors.

**Jack Ryder** is a residential Realtor with Pacific Union International in San Francisco specializing in luxury property sales. He currently serves on the Advisory Board for the Paideia Institute, as well as on the Global Business Council, the Government Relations Committee, and as Vice Chair of the Education Committee for the San Francisco Association of REALTORS®. Jack studied Business Communication at Arizona State University and has more than 30 years of professional experience working collaboratively with the design, luxury real estate, and non-profit communities: building partnerships, procuring projects, managing marketing and fundraising campaigns, and coordinating philanthropic endeavors. He has been an avid birder for more than a decade, and as a lifetime outdoorsman, is dedicated to environmental conservation. Jack is presently a designated member of our Board of Directors and a member of our Development Committee.