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CSLEA 2013 Bargaining Update



Last week, the CSLEA negotiation and legal teams began wading through the hundreds of suggestions and proposals sent in by CSLEA members to be considered for negotiation. The teams spent two days reviewing proposals and expect to complete the review process, Tuesday, March 26. Bargaining dates have been set beginning April 11 through May 31.

The CSLEA negotiation team consists of: CSLEA President Alan Barcelona, Unit A Vice President Kenneth Ehrman, Unit B Vice President Francine Toth and Unit C Vice President Tina Brazil.

Look for future updates on CSLEA.com, in future email and in the monthly ALERT.

Special Agents Target Bay Area Gang Violence



When California Department of Justice (DOJ) special agents were called upon to help rid the city of Oakland of gang violence, they did not disappoint. They worked for months to track down, keep tabs on and ultimately arrest dozens of suspected gang members accused of crimes ranging from pimping to attempted murder. [Read more.](#)

Former Nurse Ordered To Stand Trial

A former nurse accused of sexual assaulting patients who were bedridden has been ordered by a judge to stand trial. On Thursday, March 7, 2013, a Superior Court judge ruled there is enough evidence to warrant a trial in the case against Paul Robert Simon, 53.

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A special agent with the state Department of Justice (DOJ) Bureau of... [read more](#).

Why Investigators Target Unlicensed Contractors



Investigators with the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) suspect there are more than just two senior citizens who fell prey to an unlicensed contractor in the Monterey area.

Nito Kalisi Sefa, 29, of Seaside is accused of bilking two victims, both in their 80's, out of more than \$100,000. He was arrested Tuesday, February 19, 2013 on more than 15 charges, including burglary... [read more](#).

CHP Dispatchers: When You Are Being Pulled Over



Recently a Bakersfield woman being pulled over by a California Highway Patrol (CHP) officer, expressed concern about coming to a stop in a rural, dimly lit location. She reportedly drove 3 miles in an attempt to find a well-lit area before finally pulling over. [Read more](#).

Senate Votes For Additional Special Agents



Senate Bill 140, which calls for more California Department of Justice (DOJ) special agents to tackle the enormous backlog of armed prohibited people in California, passed the Senate on a 31 to 0 vote.

"This is great news for our California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) members who are special agents... [Read more](#).

They Can Walk Away With Your Cash In Hand

Would you hand over \$7,000 as a down payment to a worker who, based on his word alone, promised to take on your home improvement project? That's what one unlicensed contractor requested from our California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) members who are investigators working undercover at the Contractors State License Board CSLB. [Read](#)

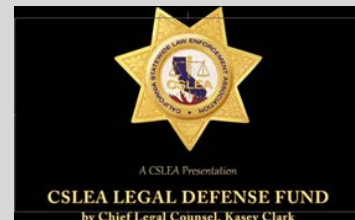
Last fall the CSLEA Consumer Protection & Public Safety Foundation awarded ten \$1,000 scholarships to our members' children for assistance with their education costs.

The scholarship program is now in its 16th year and is made possible thanks to generous, tax deductible donations to our non-profit foundation.

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Good Natured Conservationist Gets His Groove On



When CSLEA called the California Conservation Corps'(CCC) Ukiah Center and asked to speak with Conservationist and California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) member John Griffith, we were told we would have to line up behind CNN and Good Morning America! [Read more.](#)

Special Agents Bust Stolen Smart Phone Ring



A Sacramento couple, arrested and charged, is accused of buying hundreds of stolen smartphones from across the nation and reselling them in Hong Kong to rake in nearly \$4 million dollars in less than a year.

The couple's alleged illegal activity was uncovered by our California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) members who are special agents in the California Department of Justice eCrime Unit. [Read more](#)

Spring Break: ABC Agents Team Up With Officers



If you have any question that young people under the age of 21 can walk into a store and purchase alcohol, just look at the undercover operations in Contra Costa County last month.

The California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) and Contra Costa County Office of the Sheriff conducted three decoy operations at businesses that sell alcohol and under the watchful eye of ABC agents and sheriff's deputies, the underage decoy was able to... [read more.](#)

Interesting Day For OSPR

Our California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) members who are oil spill prevention pros with the Office of Spill Prevention and Response (OSPR) were at the

Kasey Christopher Clark and the entire CSLEA legal team tackle our members most frequently asked questions.

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scene of a stolen, 82-foot, \$2.7 million dollar yacht that ran aground near Pacifica, yesterday. [Read more.](#)

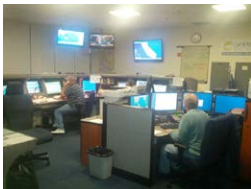
Special Agents: Operation "Red Bandits"



California Department of Justice (DOJ) special agents, teamed with CHP and local law enforcement officers, busted 13 gang members suspected in a three-month crime spree in the Sacramento region.

"Eighty home burglaries, 51 vehicle burglaries, that's like a home burglary every day and a vehicle burglary every... [read more.](#)

Cal EMA: Severe Weather Preparedness Week



Given the headlines this week, it is easy to understand why March 3-9, 2013 is "National Severe Weather Preparedness Week," but here in sunny California should we really be truly interested?

"You bet," said Courland Ellis. Ellis is an Emergency Services Coordinator (ESC) at the California Emergency Management Agency's (Cal EMA) California State Warning Center (CSWC). [Read more.](#)

CSLEA 2013 Regional BBQ's - Save The Date



We would love to see you!

1. Inland Empire - Saturday, April 20, 2013
2. Arcadia - Saturday, June 1, 2013
3. Bay Area - Saturday, July 20, 2013
4. San Diego - Saturday, August 24, 2013
5. Sacramento - Saturday, September 21, 2013

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CSLEA Basic Site Representation Training



Open to all in CSLEA in conjunction with Inland Empire BBQ

- Learn about your rights
- Learn about the grievance and complaint process
- Learn about your duties as a site representative
- Learn about the disciplinary process
- Learn about the 7 "C's" of Site Representation

Your Chance To Ask!

Have a question for CLSEA Political Consultant Peter Mitchell?



[Email us](#) and get Peter's take because he promises to always be upfront with you!

["Straight Talk" video](#)

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3rd Annual CSLEA Foundation Golf Tournament



On Monday, October 7, 2013, the CSLEA CPPS Foundation will host its third annual golf tournament at Youcha Dehe Golf Club/ Cache Creek Casino Resort.

The Foundation golf tournament raises support for the CSLEA Foundation Scholarship program and for the Foundation's Schemes, Scams and Rip-offs program. [FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER](#)

A Note To Members:

Why CSLEA Membership Is So Important

This week a non-member of CSLEA requested CSLEA representation for an internal affairs investigation that could result in termination. The non-member was under the impression CSLEA representation could be obtained by paying retroactive membership dues. This is not the case and this non-member must now consider retaining a private attorney, a \$5,000 retainer and \$200 to \$300 an hour.

If you are not a full dues paying member of CSLEA or know someone who is not a full dues paying member of CSLEA, please consider the benefits of having CSLEA legal representation.

We invite you to take a few minutes to view our ["Know Your Rights"](#) videos presented by CSLEA's legal team.



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