



The CSLEA Alert

Protect Your Livelihood

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Last week CSLEA received an email from a California Department of Fish and Wildlife warden whose livelihood is being threatened. He is in the unfortunate and costly position of having to pay for his legal defense in his fight to keep his job. In what he admits was a huge mistake, a couple of years ago, he allowed someone to convince him being a member of CSLEA wasn't necessary, that he would be just fine by opting out as an objector, that he didn't need the career protection that CSLEA has to offer.

As he is now facing mounting legal defense expenses, he is reaching out to other Bargaining Unit 7 law enforcement, public safety and consumer protections professionals so that they might learn from his mistake.

Please, take time to read his letter in the story below and to educate yourself on the importance of having access to a proven Legal Defense Fund with a large reserve. That's something CSLEA takes pride in. Investigate any word-of-mouth suggestions that you take up with loosely knit associations that don't have the money or commitment to see you through a lengthy fight to save your job, you career, your livelihood. It's too important to you and your family.

A Message from Fish & Wildlife Warden



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Thanks to All
Who Joined Us

Shows Need for Real Legal Defense

Advises others not to make the same costly mistake

SACRAMENTO- On June 10, 2015, the California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) received an email from California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) Warden Eric Fleet explaining the current financially-draining path he and his family are experiencing as a result of not having a Legal Defense Fund.



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CSLEA and RPPOA Involved in State Parks Transformation



State Parks Director commits to including rank & file in transformation process

SACRAMENTO - On Thursday, May 21st, representatives of the Resources Protection Peace Officers Association (RPPOA) made the most of their day in Sacramento as the voice of the rank and file in changes coming to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

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CSLEA To Join Assemblymember Kevin McCarty at Fraud Protection Town Hall

at CSLEA's Arcadia Membership Appreciation Day



ARCADIA - California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) members joined CSLEA Directors and CSLEA Legal and Membership Representatives for an afternoon of food and fun at Arcadia County Park on June 6, 2015.

[Read more](#)

Save the Date
San Diego
August 22, 2015



A CSLEA Membership Appreciation Fiesta is currently being planned for Mission Bay Park from Noon to 4:00 p.m.

Classes to be scheduled will include

- CSLEA Contract & Negotiation
- POBAR
- Advanced Site Representation

Look for information to follow.



Assemblymember Kevin McCarty
invites you to join him at a

FREE FRAUD PROTECTION TOWN HALL

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2015

6:00—7:30 PM

GEORGE SIM COMMUNITY CENTER
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"One of the best ways to fight and stop fraud is to shine a light on it. Educate citizens about the tactics scammers are currently using and what steps citizens can take to protect themselves." - Kenny Ehrman, CSLEA FOP #77 Vice President and Town Hall Presenter

SACRAMENTO - On Tuesday, June 16, 2015, California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Lodge #77 Vice President Kenny Ehrman will be one of several presenters at a free Fraud Protection Town Hall hosted by Assemblymember Kevin McCarty.

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CSLEA's Kenny Ehrman Presenter at Public Protection Town Hall with Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins



FMESA Logo Gets A New Look

"We wanted to refresh our image yet honor the original FMESA design. The shield represents a broad piece of armor, a thing that protects. This is a reflection of how FMESA wants to serve its members." - FMESA 1st Vice President Chris Fowler

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New COLRE Board Elects President and Vice President

SACRAMENTO- On June 12, 2015 the newly elected directors of California Organization of Licensing Registration Examiners (COLRE) met as a board for the first time at California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) headquarters in Sacramento to elect a president and vice president and to meet with the outgoing board to ensure a smooth transition.

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SAN DIEGO - On Friday, May 29, 2015, dozens of constituents in Assembly Speaker Toni Atkin's district gathered at the North University Community Library in San Diego for a 90 minute consumer protection presentation featuring speakers from the California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA), the State Bar of California, and the California Bureau of Real Estate, to name a few.

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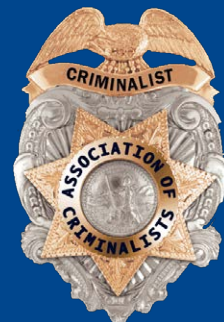
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Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins the Roastee

SACRAMENTO- On May 26, 2015, The California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) co-sponsored and attended The California Roast honoring Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins. The roast is an annual event dating back to 1984 and benefits Capitol Focus and the California Center for Civic Participation non-partisan youth programs on state and local government.

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CSLEA PAC Attends 2015 California Democrats Convention



ANAHEIM - On May 15-17, 2015, the California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) Political Action Committee (PAC) attended the 2015 California Democrats Convention at the Anaheim Convention Center in Orange County.

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CSLEA Visits Criminalists at Santa Barbara Regional Lab



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CSLEA Membership Encouragement Program

A \$50.00 thank you!

If your Unit 7 colleague is not a CSLEA member and signs up with your name as a "sponsor" - CSLEA will thank you with \$50.00

Members of CSLEA appreciate a great benefit when they have one, so who better to reward for spreading the word?

If your Bargaining Unit 7 colleagues are not full members of CSLEA and upgrade their status because of your encouragement, CSLEA will send you a \$50.00 reward for each upgrade. Ask around.

CSLEA members receive enormous [benefits](#) over fair-share members. The difference between fair-share and full-dues is minimal, in most cases just \$5 to \$10 a month.

Full-dues paying members receive a \$15,000 basic life insurance policy and a top-notch, proven [Legal Defense Fund](#), that, as a consumer protection or public safety employee, no one should be without.

SANTA BARBARA - On May 20, 2015, the California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) and its affiliate, Association of Criminalists for The Department of Justice (AC-DOJ), held a site visit and lunch for criminalists at the California Department of Justice Bureau of Forensic Services Santa Barbara Regional Lab.

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CSLEA CHP-PSDA Site Representative Samantha Dee

VALLEJO - As a California Highway Patrol dispatcher for eight years, Samantha Dee knows the important role a calm voice and a clear head can play when something is unraveling. At the Golden Gate Communications Center, Dee answers 911 calls placed from cell phones, dispatches calls for service, answers calls from allied agencies and handles radio traffic from CHP officers, all within a nine county region in the San Francisco Bay Area.



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CHP-PSDA GG Division Reps Attend Send-Off for Promoted Chief



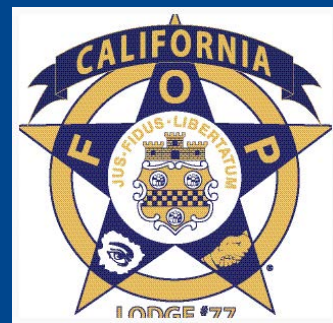
"Our CHP family statewide will benefit from the leadership, professionalism and integrity that Assistant Commissioner Browne provides." - CHP-PSDA Board Member Gina Walls

CORDELIA- On June 3, 2015 CHP Public Safety Dispatchers Association (CHP-PSDA) Board Members Vicki Morris and Gina Walls attended a luncheon to celebrate the promotion of Golden Gate Division Chief Avery Browne to Assistant Commissioner and to celebrate the promotion of Golden Gate Division Chief Paul Fontana.

Full-dues paying members also receive access to scholarships, the [CSLEA Exclusive Member Discounts Program](#) and the Fraternal Order of Police benefits program.

Your fair-share Unit 7 colleagues can upgrade membership status [here](#). Don't forget to have them include your name as the *sponsor*. Questions about membership status? Contact JSaveddra@cslea.com.

FOP Lodge #77 Membership Available to Retirees and Retired Annuitants



SACRAMENTO -Retired CSLEA members now have the opportunity to become members of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) by joining CSLEA FOP Lodge #77. One of the benefits in doing so, allows them to enroll in HR 218 coverage under the FOP Legal Defense Plan as well as to access all other FOP benefits.

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Congratulations To CSLEA Member Chris Stoots

CDFW 's
Wildlife Officer of the Year

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CHP Dispatchers Surprise Officers During National Police Week



"They all worked extremely hard this last year and have been through a lot of bad press during the protests." - CHP-PSDA Board Director, CSLEA Site Representative Gina Walls

When National Police Week 2015 approached May 11- 17, our California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) members who are dispatchers in the CHP Golden Gate Communications Center (GGCC) knew they could not let it pass without some special acknowledgement to, and appreciation for, the CHP officers they work with day in and day out.

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Cyber Exploitation Website Operator Sentenced to Jail



The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has announced the selection of Warden Chris Stoots as its 2015 Wildlife Officer of the Year. Stoots' dedication to his job and the tenacity with which he relentlessly pursues poachers are widely respected by officers with many more years of experience and by his supervisors within the Law Enforcement Division, as well as within the community where he works.

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MADD Awards ABC Agent Michelle Ott



Congratulations to CSLEA Member and ABC Agent Michelle Ott who earned a Hero Award by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) for her efforts to save lives by enforcing alcoholic beverage control and driving under the influence (DUI) laws

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SAN FRANCISCO -On June 8, 2015, Casey E. Meyering, the operator of a cyber exploitation website which posted explicit images of unsuspecting victims without their consent, was sentenced to three years in jail. In May, Meyering plead no contest to one count of extortion, three counts of attempted extortion, and one count of conspiracy.

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DOJ Special Agents Target Violent Merced Street Gang

75 arrests plus drugs & firearms seized

MERCED - A five-month investigation into violent gang activity in the Merced area has resulted in:

- the arrest of 75 criminal suspects,
- the seizure of \$85,000 in cash,
- 11 firearms,
- four pounds of methamphetamine,
- three pounds of cocaine,
- one pound of heroin,
- 50 pounds of marijuana,
- 1,500 pseudoephedrine pills
- and 5,000 pirated DVDs.



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Be sure to check out the many discounts available to you as a CSLEA member.

[For more information about our CSLEA Exclusive Member Discounts Program](#)



ABC Agents Tackle Underage Drinking at Concerts in Chula Vista

108 cited in parking lot prior to concerts

CHULA VISTA - On June 6-7, 2015, California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) agents and Chula Vista police officers conducted enforcement operations during the Brad Paisley and 91X-Fest concerts held at the Sleep Train Amphitheatre. During the Brad Paisley concert, agents and officers cited/arrested 91 people for charges involving minor in possession of alcohol or furnishing alcohol to a minor. At the 91X-Fest, 17 people were cited/arrested for minor in possession of alcohol or furnishing alcohol to a minor.



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FTB Investigators Arrest Laguna Hills Couple for Tax Evasion

Failure to report more than \$16 Million in personal and corporate income

SANTA ANA - On June 4, 2015, California Franchise Tax Board investigators arrested a married couple in their Laguna Hills home on charges of failing to report more than \$16 million in tax returns on personal and corporate income. Charles Edward Dotson, 52, and Paulette Lyn Dotson, 50, were each charged with four felony counts of willful failure to file or make fraudulent tax returns and sentencing enhancements for aggravated white collar crime over \$500,000.



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Three CSLB stings Net 31 Suspected Unlicensed Contractors

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Download the CSLEA APP and you can:

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- * Contact CSLEA
- * View Unit 7 contract
- * View "Know Your Rights" videos
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- * Follow our news feed
- * Catch up with us via social media
- * See our CSLEA calendar
- * E-mail us your photos
- * View our photo gallery
- * Meet our Board & staff
- * Access GPS directions

CSLEA Know Your Rights Videos



Disability Retirement Law Featuring CSLEA Chief Counsel Kasey Clark



From the San Francisco Bay Area, to Fresno, to the Los Angeles area, investigators with the Contractors State License Board's (CSLB) Statewide Investigation Fraud Team (SWIFT) busted 31 suspected unlicensed contractors May 27-28, 2015.

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CCC Crew Assists with Santa Barbara County Oil Spill Cleanup



SANTA BARBARA- When tens of thousands of gallons of crude oil spilled into the Pacific Ocean, contaminating the water and saturating the sand and soil in Santa Barbara County, some of the first responders called to the clean-up site were members of a hazmat certified California Conservation Corps crew based in Camarillo lead by California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) Member and CCC Conservationist Jeremy Day.

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Firefighters Conduct Large Control Burn

CalPERS Benefits Education Events



CalPERS has scheduled nine benefits education events for FY 2015-16

The statewide events support retirement planning for all career phases

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CSLEA Director of Communications & Public Affairs



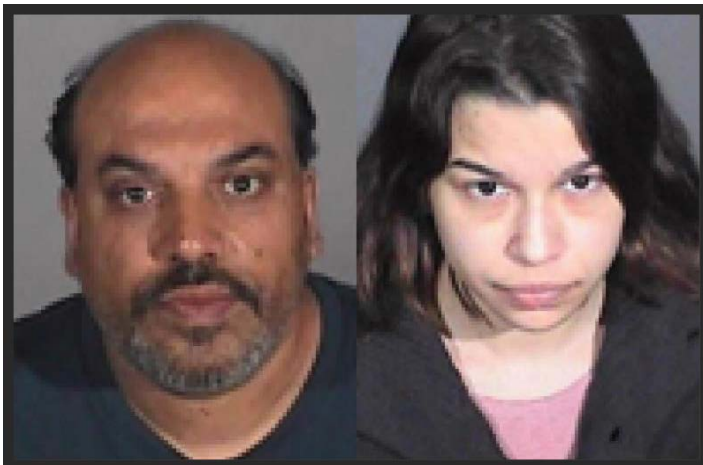
At Camp Roberts



CAMP ROBERTS- It takes a careful and concentrated effort to set fire to 8,000 acres of grassland and keep every flame and flicker under control. That was the scene at Camp Roberts May 19, 2015 as firefighters from Camp Roberts and Hearst Castle joined CalFire and four local fire departments for a large control burn.

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Insurance Detectives Arrest Los Angeles Father & Daughter For Insurance Fraud



LOS ANGELES, Calif. - California Department of Insurance (CDI) detectives are searching for a man suspected of insurance fraud after he allegedly struck a pedestrian in a staged accident. CDI detectives have already arrested the pedestrian, Brandy Riste, 22, and her father, Tony Bimbo aka Anthony Riste, 45, both of Los Angeles, on two felony counts of insurance fraud. The two were arrested May 7, 2015 after detectives discovered they allegedly conspired with driver Bobby Vlado, 40, to defraud Alliance United Insurance Company out of nearly \$18,000.

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