



The CSLEA Alert

President's Message



By Alan Barcelona
 CSLEA President
 FOP Lodge 77 President and State Trustee



As we approach the December holidays, I would like to wish you a very merry Christmas and a truly happy new year. I hope you will be able to spend time with, and enjoy, your family and friends.

As I look over the December Alert, I must express my pride in you, our CSLEA members. The work that CSLEA members do for the State of California is nothing short of exemplary. From on-duty investigations to off-duty volunteer work, CSLEA members contribute to the protection and well-being of our communities. Thank you.

I hope you have a chance to view our CSLEA members who work at the Department of Justice lab in Richmond. They graciously shared with CSLEA the work that they do and why they chose their career path. As CSLEA Director and Associated of Criminalists-DOJ President John Miller so eloquently said, "These are public safety employees. They may not carry guns, they may not have badges, but what they do is just as important. There are cops, there are courts, there are correctional institutions and there are crime labs."

As we move into 2016, CSLEA leadership will continue to meet with lawmakers and Department and Agency leaders to press for changes and improvements for you. We have a challenging year ahead and look forward to working diligently on your behalf.

Please be safe in your travels this holiday season.



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State Senator Dr. Richard Pan Addresses CSLEA Board of Directors at Year-End Meeting



SACRAMENTO - California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) officers and directors held their fourth quarter board meeting at CSLEA headquarters on December 10, 2015. California Senator Dr. Richard Pan spoke to the board about pension reform and retirement security.

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CSLEA and RPPOA Meet with Secretary of Natural Resources to Discuss Recruitment and Retention Crisis



Secretary Laird reiterates commitment to help remedy problem

SACRAMENTO - Always a staunch supporter and guardian of the State Parks system, California Secretary of Natural Resources John Laird



Not sure what your CSLEA Foundation is all about?

We invite you to check out our new CSLEA Foundation [website](#). Read about the Foundation's mission and what Foundation leaders have been doing to keep members of your community free from harm. Got an idea of how you can help? [Contact us!](#) And don't forget to follow us on Twitter and like our CSLEA Foundation Facebook page.



CSLEA Membership Encouragement Program

A \$50.00 thank you!

was a receptive audience for California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) and Resource Protection Peace Officers Association (RPPOA) representatives at a meeting on November 30, 2015.

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CSLEA and CABCA Continue to Make the Case to Address ABC Agent Retention Problem

Productive meetings with Agency and Legislative Analyst's Office highlight ongoing campaign

SACRAMENTO - It is no secret that the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control has had a difficult time in retaining agents. ABC invests approximately \$100,000 in the first year of training of new agents, both at the academy and in the field. However, it is quite common for these new hires to take their training to other State agencies where they can earn the same pay and benefits, without having to work two nights a week and most holidays.



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Hospital Police Officers the Focus of High-Level Meeting



CSLEA Meets with Agency Undersecretary and Department Director

SACRAMENTO - On December 1, 2015, California Statewide Law Enforcement President Alan Barcelona and Senior Legal Counsel Ryan

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.

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*.

Looking to be a Leader in Law Enforcement?

By CSLEA FOP Lodge 77 Vice President Kenny Ehrman

Having recently enrolled in the University of San Diego's online Master of Science in Law Enforcement and



Navarre met with California Health and Human Services (HSS) Undersecretary Michael Wilkening and Department of State Hospitals (DSH) Director Pamela Ahlin to discuss issues vital to the safety, health and well-being of its valued peace officer- members who protect and serve at California State Hospitals. Also in attendance from CSLEA were Capitol Advocacy Legislative Advocates Shane LaVigne and Kate Bell.

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Public Safety

Leadership program, I want to bring some important news to the attention of our members.

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CSLEA Meets with Members Over Lunch At Atascadero



ATASCADERO - On December 2, 2015, California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) representatives met with members for lunch at Atascadero State Hospital.

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CSLEA Visits New CHP Motor Carrier Specialists

VALLEJO- One December 7, 2015, California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) member services representatives met with seven motor carrier specialists new to the California Highway Patrol.

"This is a new and exciting time for these, our newest members of CSLEA," said Member Services Representative George Pina. "Being able to get in and introduce ourselves, tell them who we are and what we are about, and most importantly, how we can help them should they need it, is imperative. Anyone new to state employment will tell you, navigating through the details can be overwhelming and



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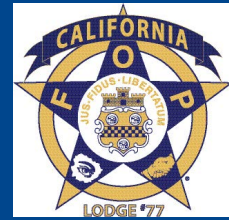
CARII Meets With Site Reps In Northern California



ROSEVILLE - On December 3, 2015, California Association of Regulatory Investigators and Inspectors (CARII) President Tom Ineichen, Secretary Tim Toy and Board Member Rick Diamond hosted an appreciation get-together for CARII/CSLEA site representatives in Roseville.

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CSLEA Foundation Assist Seniors With Fraud Prevention



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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CSLEA Exclusive Member Discounts Program

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

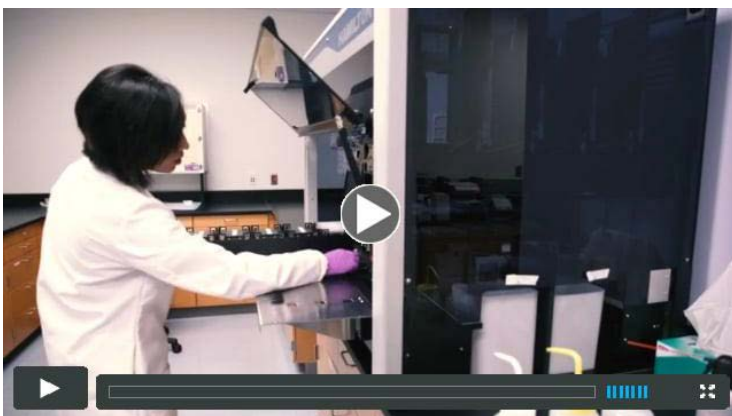
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FRESNO - Few things infuriate CSLEA FOP Lodge 77 Vice President and CSLEA Foundation Chairperson Kenny Ehrman more, than seeing senior citizens in our state being taken advantage of and/or losing their life savings to a scam artist. That's why Ehrman travels the state emceeding or participating in fraud prevention town halls, often sponsored by California assemblymembers and senators in their districts.

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CSLEA Introduces the Public to Criminalists Who Work Inside California DOJ's DNA Lab in Richmond



Click on video to view

RICHMOND - If you ever want to meet a group of serious and successful crime fighters and crime solvers, walk into the California Department of Justice (DOJ), Bureau of Forensics Jan Bashinski DNA Laboratory in Richmond and introduce yourself to any one of the criminalists there.



Knott's Berry Farm Fire & Police Tribute Days

As a thank you to all fire and police personnel in our community, Knott's Berry Farm will offer free theme park admission for fire and police personnel and one guest from November 30 through January 31, 2016.

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Shop With A Cop - CSLEA Members Treat Kids To A Holiday Shopping Experience



ROSEVILLE - There is no mistaking the smiles of children whose holiday season has just grown brighter thanks to an exciting excursion with law enforcement officers to shop for Christmas.

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CSLEA Member Receives Gold Medal of Valor from Placer Law Enforcement Agencies



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Braves Flames and Gunfire to Rescue SWAT Officer From Rooftop of Burning Home

LINCOLN - Congratulations to California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Agent Dustin McLaughlin for the recent honor of receiving Placer Law Enforcement Agencies' (PLEA) Gold Medal of Valor. McLaughlin was honored, along with other law enforcement officers from agencies in Placer County, on November 5, 2015 for his outstanding service in the line of duty as a police officer for the Auburn Police Department

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CSLEA Members Assist in San Bernardino Shooting Law Enforcement & Investigation Efforts

SAN BERNARDINO- On December 3, 2015, California Attorney General Kamala Harris visited the scene of the mass shooting in San Bernardino and was briefed by San Bernardino County Sheriff John McMahon on the ongoing investigation. In addition, California Department of Justice, Division of Law Enforcement dedicated 24 special agents to assist local and federal law enforcement officers in coordinating investigative efforts and sharing intelligence and resources.



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ABC Agents Seize Illegal Assault Rifles, Grenade Launchers & Gun Silencer From Martinez Man's Home



A CSLEA Presentation: Social Media featuring CSLEA Legal Counsel Jim Vitko

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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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY - On December 10, 2015, California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) agents arrested a Martinez man and seized more than 40 illegal and unregistered firearms including assault rifles, grenade launchers and gun silencers from his residence in Martinez.

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DOJ Special Agents Seize 541 Firearms From a House in Clovis

CLOVIS - It's hard to imagine that a single home nestled in a Clovis neighborhood would contain 541 firearms and more than 100,000 rounds of ammunition, but that's what California Department of Justice (DOJ) Bureau of Firearms special agents found when they investigated a man who is prohibited from possessing firearms due to a mental health hold.



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CDFW Wardens Bust Lobster Poachers in Orange County



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DANA POINT- When California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) wardens received a flood of tips from law-abiding lobster anglers about people grabbing up undersized lobsters from the San Clemente Pier and the Dana Point jetties, they quickly set up a trap of their own to net the poachers.

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Insurance Detectives Arrest Lakewood Man for Fraud

Allegedly crashed BMW on a racetrack, then lied about crash location

LOS ANGELES - On December 1, 2015, California Department of Insurance (CDI) detectives arrested Andres Hernandez, 36, of Lakewood, on two counts of auto insurance fraud. Hernandez allegedly totaled his BMW while racing and then lied to his insurer about where the collision occurred when filing his claim.



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