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# The CSLEA Alert

## President's Message

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



It is my hope that all of you received our July 8th email regarding the new Unit 7 contract and the legislative ratification process. If you did not read that email, we have posted the information directly below this message in an effort to keep everyone up to date.

Some of our members discovered, during the contract ratification process, that at some point in the past, they had unsubscribed from CSLEA's email list. Emails are a primary way we inform our members about important issues.. So if you hear a colleague stating he or she hasn't received a CSLEA email, please suggest that they sign up to our [mailing list](#). We know there are times when we become frustrated with an overly-filled email in-box and begin unsubscribing from email lists, if this something you have done regarding CSLEA's emails, please consider re-subscribing so that we may stay connected with you.

Our CSLEA membership services staff has been very busy this past month, visiting with members, new and veteran, to ensure CSLEA is in touch with their issues, that items in the contract are clear, and to remind them of our benefits and services. To our members who have graciously welcomed our team and provided input, I thank you.

Our membership appreciation fiestas in Southern California are quickly approaching. In addition to a buffet lunch, we are offering several classes for our members. This is a chance to get to know each other better on a smaller scale. We enjoy this opportunity to visit with you, outside of the job site. You can find more information and/or RSVP to the right of this message, or simply click [here](#).

As I mentioned in the [CSLEA FOP Lodge 77 Weekly](#) on Tuesday, this has been a very long, shocking, sad and exhausting week for law enforcement officers across the country. I am proud of our National FOP leadership for their work in Washington and their strong, vocal, visible representation. They have issued press releases, been in meetings with policy-makers, and appeared in the media on behalf of the men and women in blue. This form of protection speaks volumes.

Be safe and enjoy the rest of July.



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**Will You Be Joining Us?  
 Don't Forget to RSVP**

## UPDATE: Legislative Ratification on New Unit 7 Contract to Occur When Legislature Reconvenes from Recess

SACRAMENTO- CSLEA has been informed that legislative ratification of the recent tentative agreement will occur when the legislature returns from recess in August. Although it was the parties' belief the agreement would be passed as part of the budget, due to the length of the State review process it was not possible to get the Unit 7 Contract included.



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## A Letter to Dallas Police Chief David O. Brown



*Our thoughts and prayers are with Dallas PD*

Dear Police Chief David O. Brown,

It is with deep sadness in my heart that I express my sincere sympathy to you and our brethren, that you so bravely lead at the Dallas Police Department. No words can express the devastated blow we feel to our guts, the deep grief that is heavy in our chests, and the tears that burn in our eyes. The men and women in your department, while under fire, were beyond courageous as they ran toward danger to protect those they didn't even know, and to protect their own brothers and sister in blue who fell victim to a incomprehensible attack on peace officers, the keepers of peace, the guardians of safety.

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## CSLEA & AC-DOJ Visit Members in Chico, Redding & Santa Rosa



### CSLEA Member Appreciation Fiestas

Plus classes on your retirement, benefits & social security, POBAR and advanced site rep

**San Diego**  
**Saturday, August 27, 2016**

NOTE; CSLEA has reserved a block of rooms at the Town and Country Resort & Convention Center - \$155 night group rate, must be booked by August 1, 2016.

\*Reservations and hotel costs are the member's responsibility. The fiesta and classes are free.

**Arcadia**  
**Saturday, September 17, 2016**

NOTE; CSLEA has reserved a block of rooms at the Embassy Suites Hotel Arcadia-Pasadena Area - \$155 night group rate, must be booked by August 26, 2016

\*Reservations and hotel costs are the member's responsibility. The fiesta and classes are free.

[Please click here for more information and to RSVP](#)



In an outreach effort to visit with Department of Justice (DOJ) criminalists in Northern California, California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) Member Services Supervising Field Representative Richard Carrillo made a three day sweep to Chico, Redding and Santa Rosa DOJ offices.

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## CSLEA Welcomes Seasonal Lifeguards in Oceano



OCEANO - On June 29, 2016, CSLEA Member Services Representatives Chris Scrimiger and Jim Laughlin met with State Parks Lifeguards in Oceano on California's Central Coast. State Park Lifeguards keep our families safe when visiting many of California's most popular beaches.

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## CSLEA Member Darryl Hayes Earns Silver Medals at 2016 USPFC



### CSLEA Scholarship Review Committee Working to Award Eight \$1,000 Scholarships

SACRAMENTO - The California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) Foundation Scholarship Committee is hard at work, reviewing approximately 41 applications for the 2016/17 CSLEA Consumer Protection and Public Safety scholarships which are scheduled to be awarded by August 30, 2016.

"Our goal is to award eight \$1,000 scholarships," said CSLEA President Alan Barcelona. "Thanks to the very generous, tax deductible donations made to our non-profit CSLEA Foundation, and the dedication of the Scholarship Committee members, we are able to offer this help with the cost of higher education."

CSLEA will contact, by phone, those who will be awarded scholarships and announce their names, with photos, on the CSLEA and CSLEA Foundation websites.

CSLEA Foundation Social Media:





SAN DIEGO - Congratulations to California Statewide Law Enforcement Association (CSLEA) and California Association of Criminal Investigators (CACI) Member Darryl Hayes on his silver medal-winning performances at the United States Police and Fire Championships held at the University of California - San Marcos this month.

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## CSLEA Members Visit Erskine Fire Victims in Consumer Protection Effort

SACRAMENTO - In an effort to assist Erskine fire victims, who have been through a life-altering disaster and are suffering from incredible losses, investigators from the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) and the California Department of Insurance teamed up as part of a disaster response support team and headed to Kern County to help residents of the Lake Isabella area whose homes were destroyed or damaged.



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## California DOJ Special Agents Bust Gangs Operating in Riverside County

### 2016 ASA-DOJ \$500 Scholarship Award Recipients

#### Loretta Yo

Spouse: Special Agent Supervisor Kisu Yo



#### Kayla Sparks

Parent: Special Agent Michael Sparks



#### Karissa Win

Parent: Special Agent Thomas Win



#### Chase Rodrigues

Parent: Special Agent Mark Rodrigues



### CSLEA Welcomes New member Michelle Carter Leopold

Michelle Carter Leopold is a new investigator at Metro State Hospital and is one of our newest CSLEA and CACI members. This is her first sworn position and she is excited for her new career.

Welcome, Michelle!



RIVERSIDE - On June 9, 2016, Attorney General Kamala Harris announced the arrests of 52 people, and the seizure of:

- 67 firearms, including assault rifles and semi-automatic weapons,
- 314 rounds of ammunition
- \$95,700 in currency,
- methamphetamine, cocaine, and marijuana with a total street value of \$1.6 million.

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## DOJ Criminalists Lead Rocklin Police to Robbery Suspect

SACRAMENTO - On June 11, 2016, Rocklin police announced that DNA evidence processed by California Department of Justice criminalists led to the arrest of a man suspected of robbing a restaurant and forcing employees into a refrigerator while he made his escape.

Juan Miguel Martinez, 22, of Roseville was booked into the Placer County Jail on June 10, 2016 after his name matched a DNA profile created from items he allegedly discarded as he fled the crime scene.



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## CDPH Investigators Assist in Illegal Foreign Pharmaceuticals Bust



### CSLEA's Membership Encouragement Program

CSLEA's Membership Encouragement Program continues to be a hit.

Here's how it works:

If your Unit 7 colleagues are not full members of CSLEA and sign up using your name as a "sponsor" - CSLEA will thank you with \$50.00. 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.



SACRAMENTO- A Sacramento area couple and their adult son are under investigation for allegedly selling illegal foreign pharmaceuticals and prescription drugs, along with suspected counterfeit clothing at three area businesses.

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## Former NFL Player Arrested in Staged Collision Scheme

RIVERSIDE - Former Kansas City Chiefs Wide Receiver Jeffrey Leon Webb, 34, of Indio, was arrested on multiple felony counts after he allegedly orchestrated four staged collisions resulting in a total loss of more than \$139,000.



"California is ground zero for staged auto collisions," said Insurance Commissioner Dave Jones. "Organized crime rings are responsible for the majority of staged collisions, which are costly to insurers and consumers. The multi-agency Urban Grant Task Force is one of our most effective weapons in eradicating these crimes."

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## ABC Agents Identify Who Provided Alcohol to Teen Killed in Solo Vehicle Crash

SHASTA COUNTY - An Odessa, Texas resident is facing a criminal charge of furnishing alcohol to minors following an alcohol-related vehicle crash in which a 17-year-old Redding resident was killed. When the solo-vehicle crash happened last June and it was determined that the sole occupant, Kodi Hunt, was reportedly under the influence of alcohol, CHP officers referred the case to California Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) agents for further investigation.



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## 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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## DMV Job Announcement - Supervising Inspector

The California Department of Motor Vehicles has posted a job announcement for Supervising Inspector

Final Filing Date - Today - July 15, 2016

For further information, click [here](#)

## BAR Enforcement Uncovers Suspected Fraud at California Firestone Shops



SACRAMENTO - In an effort to protect consumers from car repair and smog check fraud, California Bureau of Automotive Repair (BAR) enforcement representatives work undercover as car owners seeking service and what they uncovered at California Firestone shops has resulted in a 64-page accusation against the company and a whole lot of negative publicity.

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## CDI Investigators Arrest Unlicensed Insurance Agent

*Allegedly stole premiums totaling more than \$140,000*

GARDEN GROVE- On June 17, 2016, California Department of Insurance investigators arrested Robert Meseer, 63, of Westminster, on 32 felony counts of grand theft, insurance fraud, and forgery after he allegedly acted as an insurance agent to steal more than \$140,000 from several business owners.

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## CDI Detectives Assist in Major Health Care Fraud Takedown

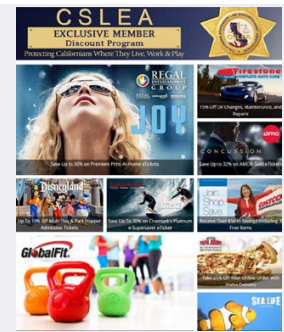
*Part of a nationwide sweep, 301 suspects charged, \$900 million in false billing*

LOS ANGELES - California Department of Insurance detectives were among the many state and federal law enforcement officers who assisted in an unprecedented nationwide sweep targeting health care fraud.

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## CSLB Tackles Underground Economy With Undercover Stings



### CSLEA Exclusive Member Discounts Program

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](#)



### The CSLEA APP

Download the CSLEA APP and you can:

- \* Have the LDF Hotline at your fingertips
- \* Contact CSLEA
- \* View Unit 7 contract
- \* View "Know Your Rights" videos
- \* Update your contact information
- \* Follow our news feed
- \* Catch up with us via social media
- \* See our CSLEA calendar



SACRAMENTO- Contractors State License Board (CSLB) investigators put another small dent in the monstrous underground economy that exists in California by conducting two undercover stings June 14-16, 2016.

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- \* E-mail us your photos
- \* View our photo gallery
- \* Meet our Board & staff
- \* Access GPS directions

### CSLEA Know Your Rights Videos



Your Rights Concerning Personnel Files & Adverse Comments  
Featuring CSLEA Legal Counsel Andrea Perez

### Three Arrested in San Diego Human Trafficking Case

*DOJ Special Agents part of "Operation Hotel Tango"*

SAN DIEGO - On June 20, 2016, California Attorney General Kamala Harris thanked Department of Justice special agents and assisting law enforcement officers for their work involving "Operation Hotel Tango," an investigation that led to the arrests of three people suspected of sex trafficking in San Diego.



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CSLEA Video in Support of Jim Cooper for Re-election to State Assembly

### Six Arrested in \$4 Million Mortgage Fraud Scheme

*Suspects targeted homeowners who were underwater on their mortgages*

SAN DIEGO - California Department of Justice special agents teamed up with local and federal law enforcement to bust six people suspected of operating a mortgage fraud scheme throughout Southern California.



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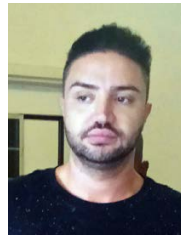
### Los Angeles Insurance Agent Arrested

*Accused of embezzling more than \$100,000 from*



*employer and clients*

LOS ANGELES - A licensed insurance agent accused of embezzling more than \$100,000 from his employer and his clients is now facing serious criminal charges. Suren Hovhannisyanyan, 27, of North Hollywood, was arrested at his home on July 6, 2016. He faces multiple felony counts of burglary, grand theft, and unauthorized use of access cards.



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## Congratulations to CCC - Celebrating 40 Years!



SACRAMENTO- The California Conservation Corps marked its 40th anniversary with a ceremony at the State Capitol on June 30, 2016. A similar ceremony was held at Griffith Park in Los Angeles on July 7th. Throughout the decades, 120,000 young men and women have participated in the program. Thank you to our CSLEA members who work as conservationists to guide and train these young people.

## CSLEA Video in Support of Toni Atkins for State Senator



## CSLEA Video in Support of Raul Bocanegra for State Assembly



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