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CASCWA STATE CONFERENCE INFORMATION April 18, 19, 20, 2012 - **Crowne Plaza of Anaheim**



New Laws for 2012

LACOE continues to provide leadership throughout the State of California by bringing important 2011 legislation information impacting the field of child welfare and attendance!

“Bravo” to Victor Thompson and his staff for putting together the material for this important annual legislative update. From the information on “What’s going on in Sacramento”, to new “Charter School Information” and to the new “2012 Legislative Update”, the workshop was outstanding and the material presented is invaluable to school districts throughout the state. Bravo!

In this edition you will find: CASCWA Southern Section Executive Board Information; Phil Kauble’s Topical Forum Information; LACOE’s 2012 Annual Legislative Update; Jeni Mendel’s Websites; Lillie Wilson Scholarship Information; Southern California Workshop Information; 2012 CASCWA State Conference ***“Stick your neck out for kids” Information and Registration Form!*** Workshop Information



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Southern Section's President's Message - Steve Fraire



Greetings CASCWA Members and Happy New Year! It is hard to believe that half of the school year is about to end and that we are moving forward to take on the challenges of 2012. Also, it now seems that there is a growing trend of expanded assignments, short timelines, and the reality of budget cuts. Throughout this climate, CASCWA continues to be the positive support link we all need.

A very special word of thanks and congratulations to the staff of LACOE for their hard work on the December Legislative Update. It was outstanding. The workshop was well attended and included members from several counties throughout the state. The presentation gave an overview of each new law, input for practical applications, and valuable materials. Each year the update exceeds all expectations. Again, all our appreciation for a job well done!

Don't forget that right around the corner on February 3rd we are hosting the Phil Kauble Topical Forum at the ABC Unified School District. Sergeant Nancy Wilkey and Deputy Lance Christensen from the Orange County Sheriff's Department will be making a presentation on Adolescent Subcultures and Current Drug Trends. This will be an interactive training that has been conducted throughout the nation. The training includes identification of subcultures, how to recognize the newest drugs and substances, and valuable resources with a law enforcement approach to juvenile violators. Look for registration information in this addition.

Remember to register for our State Conference "Stick Your Neck Out For Kids" on April 18th through 20th at the Crowne Plaza Resort in Anaheim. All current hot topics will be on the program, with a beginning and advanced CWA Academy, great keynote speakers, and presentation of state, section and model SARB awards. Registration includes CASCWA membership and for the first time a special conference t-shirt. This is a must attend event that will attract members and their families.

Remember, CASCWA is here to provide you with support, current information and leadership. Above all please be sure to take care of your health and well being so you can continue to take care of the families and staff you assist. We value you!

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CASCWA STATE CONFERENCE “STICK YOUR NECK OUT FOR KIDS”

APRIL 18, 19 & 20TH, 2012

Crowne Plaza Resort of Anaheim

12021 Harbor Blvd.,
Garden Grove, CA 92840
(714) 867-5555

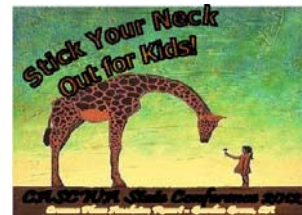
Conference Rate: \$125.00 + tax per night
(single/double occupancy)

Conference rate will be available from
April 16 to April 22, 2012.



Make your hotel reservation early as we have blocked a limited number of rooms at the CASCWA rate. Make certain to mention that you are with CASCWA!

Rate guaranteed until March 17, 2012



Name: _____ Business Phone: _____
 Address: _____ Home/Cell _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____
 Title: _____ School District/Agency _____
 E-mail: _____ Fax #: _____

Registration Options:

Amount

1	Wednesday Only Without membership 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.	CWA Academy Beginners & Advance Refreshments & Lunch	\$100	
2	Thursday & Friday Only Without membership	Breakfast – 2 days Lunch – Thursday Only Reception on Thursday	\$200	
3	*** BEST RATE - COMBO PACK *** Wednesday through Friday With one year membership	Breakfast – 2 days Lunch – Wednesday & Thursday Reception on Thursday Closing ceremony – Friday	\$275	
4	** Group Combo Package ** Wednesday through Friday For districts/agencies sending five or more attendees. With one year membership p/p Registration forms must be submitted together	Breakfast – 2 days Lunch – Wednesday & Thursday Reception on Thursday Closing ceremony – Friday	\$250 per person	
5	Retired Members Wednesday through Friday With one year membership	Breakfast – 2 days Lunch – Wednesday & Thursday Reception on Thursday Closing ceremony – Friday	\$100	
6	Total Amount Due			\$

I would like to request a vegetarian lunch on: Wednesday Thursday

This conference is an authorized expenditure of: McKinney-Vento Grant Award, FYS Funds, Title I, SIP, TUPE and A.B. 1113 Funds
*****FREE*** conference shirt for the first 300 who register!** Please specify size **M** **L** **XL** **XXL**

Form of payment must accompany this form - - Purchase Orders/checks must be made payable to:
CASCWA Southern Section P.O. Box 4222, Orange, CA 92863-4222 (Federal Tax I.D. #94-2914528)
 For any questions, contact: Jerry Hime @ gjhime@earthlink.net or (714) 390-2679

CASCWA Refund Policy

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2012 State Conference Plans



*CASCWA Connection Interviews conference planner extraordinaire, **Mr. Jerry Hime!** CASCWA's Southern Section has a history of hosting exceptional State Conferences, such as the ones in San Diego, Palm Springs and on the Queen Mary. You have had a major role in the contracting, planning, operations and evaluation processes. CASCWA has grown professionally from each conference. The conferences have always been timely and the sessions truly have related to our membership in attendance. What do you consider to be a few of your best memories from past State Conferences hosted by Southern Section?*

The CASCWA conferences hold many memories for me, particularly those in which I have been part of the planning team. Each has afforded me the opportunity to meet some of the "movers and shakers" in CASCWA as well as other prominent people in the field of student services. Prior to my retirement I viewed the CASCWA conference as the place to learn of the latest innovations, the current trends, new laws and regulations, and practical ways to serve students. When I returned to my office following the conference I felt rejuvenated with the wealth of information that I acquired. In my retirement it keeps me abreast of the current status of education in California. These are among the data stored in my "memory bank."

It is not unusual to have members from law enforcement, health services, social services and private schools to attend our conferences with others from charter schools, state, county, district offices, and our solid group of CWA members. Do you anticipate the strands of this year's conference to focus on the important needs of our diverse interrelated group of attendee?

Each year the conference provides a varied selection of sessions and speakers that all bear one thing in common: their dedication to serve students who present challenges to the schools. This year's conference will be no different in that it will look at the collaborative efforts to address those challenges by the school and community agencies who truly "stick their necks out for kids." The program is geared to look at the total student, what is taking place at school, at home, and in the community.

Tell us a little bit more about this year's the program.

The planning committee had a difficult time putting together the final program in that more proposals were submitted than there were time slots and they were all good. We jokingly talked about extending the conference through the week end in order to include them all. In the end the committee put together a program of thirty break out sessions, twenty on Thursday and ten on Friday, all of which might be considered "hot topics." There will be a strand on cyber bullying and one on foster youth and homeless. The program will include sessions on medical marijuana, Megan's Law, parent collaboration, administrative hearings, student fees, and many other pertinent topics. In addition to school personnel, presenters will include members of law enforcement, the legal profession, and the Office for Civil Rights (OCR). The program will truly have something for everyone.

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Will there be some special highlights at the conference beside the break-out sessions?

Dr. Thelma Melendez de Santa Ana, Santa Ana Unified School District superintendent, is scheduled to be the keynote speaker at the conference luncheon. Dr. Melendez de Santa Ana is a nationally recognized school administrator who prior to her appointment as Santa Ana USD superintendent she served as the assistant secretary for elementary and secondary education with the U. S. Department of Education. She will draw on her personal experiences to discuss the current educational climate. Another luncheon highlight will be the presentation of the state Model SARB awards which has become a tradition at the CASCWA conferences. There will be ample opportunities to network, socialize, and preview educational products at the exhibit tables.

The conference is being held within one of the major tourist areas in the nation. Will attendees have the opportunity to take advantage of the proximity to Disneyland and other entertainment venues?

The Crowne Plaza Anaheim Resort was selected as the 2012 conference site with the CWA families in mind. The attractive hotel rate of \$125.00 will be extended through the week end for members so their families can enjoy the “happiest place on earth” and other Orange County attractions. The hotel will provide complimentary transportation to Disneyland and other nearby entertainment venues. Another advantage of the conference site is the myriad of dining establishments within walking distance. The hotel will also assist guests who are interested in sports activities available in the area such as the Angels/Baltimore Orioles baseball game on Friday following the conclusion of the conference.

If someone would like to look at the final program prior to the conference, should they go to the State’s Website at www.cascwa.org and if so when do you believe that the information will be uploaded?

A registration form with program and hotel information will be sent to all CASCWA members, school districts, and community agencies. A summary of the complete program will be posted on the CASCWA web site hopefully at the time of publication of this issue of the Connections.

Other than thanking the incredible efforts that you, the planning committee and our Southern Section Executive Board have made in the planning, what else would you like to share with our membership in this edition of the “Connection?”

The Southern Section of CASCWA truly believes this year’s conference is the “place to be” for 2012. Every effort is being made to provide a comprehensive program, a variety of entertainment opportunities, and an outstanding conference site, all with the idea of making it a conference that attendees will leave with the feeling that is has been “money well spent.” It is important for those planning to stay at the beautiful Crowne Plaza to be aware of the March 27, 2012, cut-off date for hotel reservations.

For more information on upcoming CASCWA 2012 State Conference in Anaheim & other Southern Section events, please go to WWW.CASCWA.ORG

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Annual Legislative Update

Held on DECEMBER 9th, 2011

Los Angeles County Office of Education, Division of Student Support Services

If you are an administrator in the field of Child Welfare and Attendance, then you know you are in a unique field that requires specific knowledge and understanding. It is imperative that you remain on the cutting edge of laws, regulations and policies. You may also have a responsibility for annual notifications, handbooks and/or numerous hearing protocols. As one of the Connection Editors, I have made it a priority to personally attend "LACOE's Annual Legislative Update every December.

On December 9, 2012, LACOE held its annual legislative update that included urgency legislation that went into effect in 2011 and new laws that became law on January 1, 2012. LACOES focused on laws that relate to the fields of CWA and provided specific insight into the legislation that will have the greatest impact on the profession of CWA. Dr. Victor Thompson and the Division of Student Support Services are to be commended for their excellent presentation and CASCWA wishes to personally thank "Maria Bravo" for the material prepared for the workshop. (Bravo_Maria@laoe.edu)

The Presentation

The agenda for the "2011-12 Legislative Update" was as follows:

- Welcome from Maria Bravo and introduction of Dr. Victor Thompson
- News from Sacramento, Pamela Gibbs, Director, Governmental Relations, LACOE
- Mandates, Barrett Snyder and Joe Rombold, Legislative Advocates, School Innovations and Advocacy
- CASCWA Southern Section's President's Message, Steve Fraire
- Charter School Review, Sue Ann Salmon Evans, Shareholder, Dannis, Woliver and Kelley
- Legislative Update, Division of Student Support Services, LACOE
- Closing remarks, Maria Hwang de Bravo

Educator's Guide to Legislative Updates 2011-2012

The "Educator's Guide to Education" was provided to all attendees. The legislation was divided into CASCWA relevant Assembly Bills and Senate Bills. The talented LACOE experts described the vast majority of bills listed in the guide. Each bill included a reference as to whether or not the law may (1) impact a change in an existing board policy, (2) be included in the annual notification process, (3) have financial appropriations attached to the bill, and/or (4) be included in the categories of mandated cost claims. This information is stated in the following charts and you may wish to share with those in you district who have the responsibilities of keeping your district current with the law.

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The Information

The following tables identify the California “Assembly Bills and Senate Bills” discussed at the “Legislative Update.” It also indicated the references previously mentioned. Over the next several months, these changes will impact the operations of districts throughout the state. It is important that CWA offices throughout the state have a solid understanding of the bills and the changes that have occurred.

You are encouraged to go directly to the main legislative website and read the full bill for yourself. You can also go to the “California Codes” website and read the current codes as of January 1, 2012. Please access the following two websites!

For legislative information, please go to: <http://info.sen.ca.gov>

For California Codes, please go to: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html>

Victor Thompson, Director II, Division of Student Support Services

Legislation	Board Policy	Notification	Appropriation	Mandated Cost
SB 929 (Evans) Vehicles: Child Passenger Restraints				
SB 537 (Correa) California Cadet Corps				
AB 402 (Skinner) CalFresh Program: School Lunch Program				
SB 368 (Liu) Developmental Services: Decision-making				
AB 114 (Committee Budget) Education Finance Instructional Days – AB 3632	Yes		Yes	Yes

Ray Vincent, Project Director III, Community Health and Safe Schools Unit

Legislation	Board Policy	Notification	Appropriation	Mandated Cost
AB 680 (Block) Pupil Safety: Comprehensive School Safe Plans	Yes			
AB 123 (Mendoza) Disruption Threatening Pupil’s Physical Safety	Yes	Yes		Yes
AB 177 (Mendoza) Juveniles: Parenting Classes				
AB 90 (Swanson) Human Trafficking: Minors				Yes

Jewel Forbes, Consultant II, Community Health and Safe Schools Unit

Legislation	Board Policy	Notification	Appropriation	Mandated Cost
AB 815 (Brownley) Instructional Programs: State Seal of Biliteracy				
SB 461 (Blakeslee) High School Equivalency				
AB 1330 (Furutani) Graduation Requirements:CTE				
AB 790 (Furutani) CTE: Linked Learning Pilot Project				
SB 532 (Hernandez) AP Courses: IB Diploma Program				

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Susan Chaides, Consultant II, Community Health and Safe Schools Unit

Legislation	Board Policy	Notification	Appropriation	Mandated Cost
SB 946 (Steinberg) Health Coverage Mental Illness				
AB 25 (Hayashi) Athletics: Concussions and Head Injuries	Yes	Yes		
AB 499 (Atkins) Minors: Medical Care: Consent				
AB 709 (Brownley) Foster Youth: School Placement: Immunization Records	Yes			
SB 614 (Kehoe) Childhood Immunization				
SB 161 (Huff) Administration of Epilepsy Medication	Yes	Yes		

Vincent Bravo, Consultant II, Child Welfare and Attendance Unit

Legislation	Board Policy	Notification	Appropriation	Mandated Cost
SB 420 (Hernandez) Synthetic Cannabinoid Compound				
AB 486 (Hueso) Controlled Substances				
AB 9 (Ammiano) Pupil Rights Bullying	Yes	Yes		Yes
AB 746 (Campos) Pupils Cyberbullying	Yes			
AB 1156 (Eng) Pupils: Bullying	Yes	Yes		Yes
AB 887 (Atkins) Gender	Yes			
SB 48 (Leno)	Yes			

Dr. Seema Gaur, Consultant II, Child Welfare and Attendance Unit

Legislation	Board Policy	Notification	Appropriation	Mandated Cost
AB 1111 (Fletcher) Debt Collection: Homeless Youth				
AB 194 (Beall) Postsecondary Education: Priority Enrollment: Foster Youth				Yes
AB 212 (Beall) California Fostering Connections to Success Act				Yes
AB 578 (Negrete-McLeod) Pupils in Foster Care: Course Credit	Yes			Yes

Jennifer Garcia, Consultant II, Child Welfare and Attendance Unit

Legislation	Board Policy	Notification	Appropriation	Mandated Cost
AB 387 (Bonilla) Pupils: Excused Absences: Military Deployment Activities	Yes	Yes		
AB 614 (Bonilla) SARB: Member Composition				
AB 1085 (Davis) School Attendance: Interdistrict Transfer				
SB 381 (Pavley) School Attendance: Residency Requirements	P	P		

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Maria Hwang de Bravo, Project Director III, Child Welfare and Attendance Unit

	Board Policy	Notification	Appropriation	Mandated Cost
AB 143 (Fuentes) Pupil Records: Privacy Rights				
AB 207 (Ammiano) School Attendance: Residency Requirements	Yes			
AB 433 (Lowenthal) Birth Certificate: Issuance				
AB 791 (Ammiano) Dependent Children: Birth Certificates				

Other “Bills” mentioned in the “Legislative Update” material

	Board Policy	Notification	Appropriation	Mandated Cost
AB 143 (Fuentes) Pupil Records: Privacy Rights	Yes	Yes		
AB 717 (Ammiano) Child Abuse Central Index				Yes
AB 1330 (Furutani) Graduation Requirements: Career/Tech	Yes	Yes		
SB 128 (Lowenthal) School Facilities Funding: High Performance Schools			Yes	
SB 753 (Padilla) Pupils: English Learners: Assessment		Yes		Yes

Legislative Update Memories



Keep your “Legal References” material updated at
http://www.legalbooksdistributing.com/sc_californialaw.asp

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Jeni Mendel's "Website" Page

Over the past several years, the editors of the Connection have received emails from Jeni Mendel, jmendel@guhsd.net, Grossmont UHSD and several other executive board members.

These are websites specified in emails that the editors have chosen to post in the Connection. Please look over the following and see if they relate to your personal work load. Hopefully, you will find the websites useful.



Facing the School Dropout Dilemma

<http://www.apa.org/pi/families/resources/school-dropout-prevention.aspx>

'Drunken Gummies' or 'Boozy Bears': Latest Teen Alcohol Craze

<http://abcnews.go.com/Health/drunk-gummies-boozy-bears-latest-teen-alcohol-craze/story?id=15018412>

How Marijuana May Drive the Brain into Psychosis

<http://www.myhealthnewsdaily.com/2063-marijuana-thc-brain-psychosis.html>

Lung Cancer Risk of One Marijuana Joint a Day Equals Daily Pack of Cigarettes

<http://www.medpagetoday.com/Psychiatry/Addictions/8096>

School Attendance Review Boards Handbook & Forms

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ai/sb/sarbhandbook.asp>

Homelessness Assistance Programs Update

<http://www.naehcy.org/dl/HUDdefregsfinal.pdf>

U.S. Education Department Releases Analysis of State Bullying Laws and Policies

<http://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/us-education-department-releases-analysis-state-bullying-laws-and-policies>

CDE Truancy

Information and resources that define truancy and truancy penalties and other related information.

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ai/tr/>

About Teen Suicide

<http://kidshealth.org/parent/emotions/behavior/suicide.html>

CDE Bullying Publications & Resources

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ss/se/bullyres.asp>

Praise vs. Encouragement, Gratitude

<http://www.noogenesis.com/malama/encouragement.html>

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California Association of Supervisors of
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Southern Section

PHIL KAUBLE'S TOPICAL FORUM

Adolescent Subculture & Current Drug Trends

***Friday, February 3, 2012, 10:00 A.M. –
12:00 P.M. No Charge***

ABC Unified School District,

16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos, CA 90703



Featuring: Sergeant Nancy Wilkey, Supervisor – Juvenile Services Bureau
Deputy Lance Christensen, School Resource Officer

Topics Include:

- How to identify the different adolescent subcultures
- How to recognize the newest drugs and substances found in schools
- How to associate the different drugs and substances used within the different adolescent subcultures
- How to recognize the signs of at-risk behavior within the different adolescent subcultures
- Law enforcement's approach to juvenile violators
- Resources available to families

The "Adolescent Subcultures and Current Drug Trends" presentation is the most sought after presentation from Orange County covering the most up-to-date trends involving adolescents. This training has been presented across the nation at conferences, schools, businesses, and community centers to other law enforcement agencies, educators, non-profit groups, health care professionals, and parents.

The presentation comes with a "Road Show" that contains drugs, paraphernalia, weapons, storage containers, and other miscellaneous items that have been confiscated from students at local schools. The presentation was made possible by the on-going relationship of OCSD's School Resource Officers and the schools they serve. **Presenter's information can be found at www.cascwa.com.**

***Please RSVP your attendance to Tim Catlin at
tim.catlin@abcusd.k12.ca.us, (562) 926-5566***

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Other “Save the Date” Events

In addition to the February 3rd workshop and the 2012 State CASCWA, there are several “Up Coming Events” planned in Southern California. The editors have placed flyers for future events on the [CASCWA “Southern Section” Webpage](#). Below, you will find specific dates and descriptors for selected events.

Please review the information below and go to www.cascwa.org to obtain a flyer for the event that you may wish to attend:

Tuesday, February 7, 2012

Safe School Plan, Orange County Department of Education, Costa Mesa, California

This training will focus on Comprehensive Safe School Planning. The topics will include the requirements, seven planning steps, development, strategies and assessment processes. Contact: Christine Laehle, Orange County Department of Education, claehle@ocde.us or 714-327-1067.

Friday, February 24, 2012

Street Gangs and School Safety, Los Angeles County Office of Education, LACOE

The purpose of this Symposium is to share knowledge, skills, and practices that educators and school police personnel can use to address the dangerous challenges of drugs, gangs, and violence impacting students and staff at local schools. Contact: Jewel Forbes, Consultant II at 562/922-6377, or Forbes_Jewel@lacoedu

Friday, March 2, 2012

Pathways: The OC Career Forum, Concordia University, Irvine, California

Orange County high school students receive exposure to real-world business leaders and possible pathways to future career opportunities! The “Keynote Speaker” will be **former Los Angeles Laker, A. C. GREEN**. Contact: Bonnie Boone, Orange County Department of Education, bboone@ocde.us or (714) 327-1075

March 6, 2012

Student Discipline, Suspension & Expulsion Workshop, San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, 601 N E Street, San Bernardino, California

This workshop will present an overview of the student records process including recently enacted legislative changes. All participants will be provided with the most recent Student Records Handbook along with the CD version and copies of recent enacted legislation related to student records. Contact: Luvia Hernandez at (909) 386-2940, Luvia_Hernandez@sbcss.k12.ca.us

March 12, 2012

School Crisis Response, Irvine City Hall, Irvine, California

This workshop will focus on the development and implementation of the four phases of emergency management for schools/districts. Contact: Christine Laehle, Orange County Department of Education, claehle@ocde.us or 714-327-1067.

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March 13, 2012

Student Discipline, Suspension & Expulsion Workshop, San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, 601 N E Street, San Bernardino, California

This workshop will present an overview of the student discipline, suspension, expulsion and appeal process, including recent enacted legislative changes. All participants will be provided with the most recent Suspension & Expulsion Handbook along with the CD version and copies of recent enacted legislation related to student suspensions/expulsions. Contact: Luvia Hernandez at (909) 386-2940, Luvia_Hernandez@sbcss.k12.ca.us

March 20, 2012

Bullying Prevention, Irvine City Hall, Irvine, California

This workshop will focus on the development of a systematic approach to address school site bullying. This will include characteristics, codes, warning signs, specific steps to take and proven strategies. Contact: Christine Laehle, Orange County Department of Education, claehle@ocde.us or 714-327-1067.

August 1 – 3, 2012

3rd Annual Safe Schools Conference, Renaissance Hotel, Long Beach, California

This conference will focus on the critical issues schools will be facing and cost effective strategies to deal with these same issues. The conference will discuss the direct link between school safety, learning, attendance, and higher test scores. The "Keynote Speaker" will be **Tom Torlakson, State Superintendent of Public Instruction**. Contact information: Phone: 562 922-6377, Fax: 562 922-6781, allmer_sherri@lacoedu

2012 "Lillie Wilson" Scholarship Luncheon/Recognition

CASCWA is known throughout the state as an organization that works for the betterment of others. At the end of each school year, Southern Section celebrates the success of several high school students who have overcome adversity and are proceeding with their education. The members of our Executive Board consider this event to be the "heart and soul" of our annual activities. This school year will be no exception!

The recipients will be honored at the end of the year luncheon named after CASCWA's legend Lilly Wilson. Ms. Wilson served as a nurse and CWA administrator in LACOE for over 30 years. Ms. Wilson, along with Phil Kauble's LACOE staff was instrumental in developing "state-wide" protocols that we take for granted today.

We are also proud that one of the driving forces behind the development of our scholarship luncheon is the co-editor of the Connection, Mark Michels. For information on the "2012 Scholarship Program", please contact Rick Riegel at (714) 327-1074 (rriegel@ocde.us.) The 2012 application forms are available on CASCWA's Website at www.cascwa.org.

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2012 Executive Board Meeting Dates

- February 3, 2012 12 p.m. – 2 p.m. (following Phil Kauble Legal Forum) – TBD
- June 1, 2012 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (before Lillie V. Wilson Scholarship Luncheon) – Buena Park

CASCWA Southern Section hopes that you will be attending the 2012 Annual State CASCW Conference in Anaheim. Our “Section” hosts the State Conference once every four years. The presenters will make a difference for you and your district! Remember to register early and to make your hotel reservations as soon as possible!

See you in April!



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