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CASCWA COMMENDS PRESIDENT JOE BRUCIA

From "San Joaquin" to the "Bay" area to the "Delta" to the coast and deserts of "Southern California", we wish to express our gratitude to Mr. Joe Brucia, CASCWA State President.

Joe, pictured here with his lovely wife, Shirley, is a true leader. Joe is a man of vision with a deep commitment to the principles and philosophies advocated through our CASCWA organization.

Joe is a friend to all CASCWA members and all child advocates throughout the State of California. Joe's presidency has been a presidency of accomplishments, culminating in this year's state conference.



oe will continue to serve our organization as "Past President". He will continue his work on our CASCWA website's "CASCWA Portal" and he will continue to oversee our CASCWA activities through his wisdom and leadership that will carry on for years to come. Please take the time to come to the "President's Reception" 6:00 - 7:30 P.M. Olivers @ Piccadilly and say "Hello" to Joe, who has truly earned our respect.

BAY SECTION'S SUE CHAMBERS TO BE STATE CASCWA PRESIDENT 2002-03



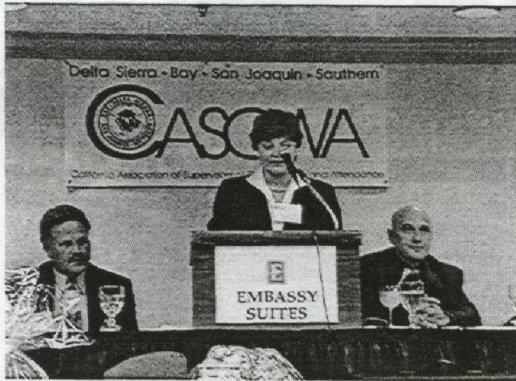
The CASCWA tradition continues. Sue Chambers of the "Bay Section's" Mount Diablo Unified School District will be installed as CASCWA 2002-03 State President.

Sue has been the 2001-02 Bay Section's President. She is proud of the outstanding Bay Section Board for next year. Sue is busy planning the next State Conference which will be held in Monterey. Sue reflects on 2001-02 as a wonderful experience. The gavel may be changing hands, but the vision continues. Make certain you say "Hello" to Sue, our new president.

Frank Boehler, Editor

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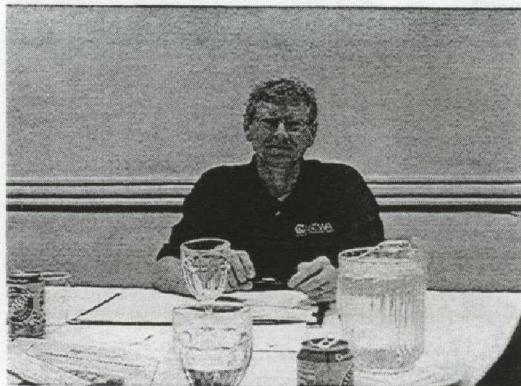
SECTION PRESIDENTS' COMMENTS



BAY SECTION Sue Chambers, Mt. Diablo Unified School District. I have had a wonderful experience and I am really so pleased that we have been able to build up a new support network of officers. Our new legacy of officers are very bright. They are dedicated to children and to making sure that kids and families get all the support and help that they need.



DELTA SECTION Joe Taylor, Sacramento County Office of Education. I am proud that we have been able to expand our membership throughout our large geographical area. We have been able to expand our CASCWA participation and reach more members. The focus has been to reach out to our members through personal contact. It's working!



SAN JOAQUIN SECTION Robert Pankratz, Fresno Unified School District. One of the things that I am most impressed about is the quality of the CASCWA administrators in the different districts. There is an honest effort to assist and support students and the districts that they work for. I think there is a sincere desire to see students achieve academically, as well as whatever their life's goals may be. I am really looking forward to this year's conference.



SOUTHERN SECTION CASCWA is full of special people, special is too weak of a word. I just can't say enough about the complexity of our work and being the Superintendent's problem solver. These special people are everyday child advocates. They work behind the scenes as facilitators to make certain that the system works. It is a unique type of individual who works in our field, stays in the field and as we know, they are called CASCWA members.

Mr. Jack Erikson

February 11, 1923 - March 21, 2002



It is with the deepest of regrets that we inform our CASCWA membership of the passing of a giant in our field, Mr. Jack Erikson. Jack is best remembered by our membership for his numerous annual publications. They included California Laws Relating to Minors, California Laws for Psychotherapists, A Practical Guide to California Youth Laws, and California Penal Code.

Jack Erikson was interviewed a few weeks before his passing by former Southern Section President Mark Michels and former Southern Section and State President Karen Saunders. Jack was asked about what advice he would give to the new CWA professional. He responded, "It is the personal touch that makes a difference in the lives of children. Children need to know that the CWA professional truly cares about them and that school attendance is important to each child's future." Jack gave that personal touch to everyone and he truly made a difference. It can easily be said that his lifetime work has reached the doors of every classroom in the State of California.

He was a recognized giant in our field. His career spanned the majority of the history of CWA and CASCWA. His knowledge of the history of legislation and the formation of codes and regulations was immeasurable. We have truly lost part of our "CASCWA Heritage."

Jack remained a soft-spoken kind man to everyone. He had the ability to speak to anyone. He had a beautiful smile and he let you know that he was your friend. I personally witness his friendship with Mr. Steve Ellish, the first official CWA director in the history of the Orange Unified School District. Steve and Jack maintained a great friendship for over fifty years. Jack made friends everywhere, everyday. In fact, the mere mentioning of his name would bring a smile to everyone's face. As we reflect on Jack's fabulous life and career, we can truly say that his efforts over a lifetime will endure forever to the Children of America.



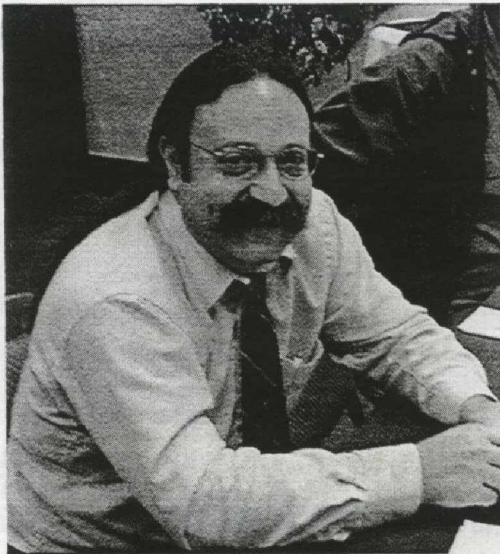
FLAWS IN THE LAWS! **Joe Taylor and Sherman Garnett are back!**

Joe Taylor, Sacramento County Office of Education, and Sherman Garnett, San Bernadino County Office of Education, will be bringing our CASCWA members the latest information on chaptered and pending legislation.

Special emphasis will be given to AB 725 (Statewide Hotline), SB 113 (Physical Examination), SB 1924 (Skateboard/Skates Helmets), SB 1804 (Cell Phones), SB 1440 (Weapons-intent) and AB 722 (Chaptered-Study of specific services).

In addition, Sherman will be discussing a pending court decision resulting from an expulsion process. The decision will have an impact in the arena of subpoenas.

In additon to the efforts of Phil Kauble and his staff at the Los Angeles County Office of Education, Joe and Sherman are actively representing CASCWA in Sacramento. Thank you Joe! Thank you Sherman! This is an important arena for all CASCWA members.



TOM MANGIONE **CASCWA'S "WEBMASTER" AND OUR SOUTHERN SECTION'S "EVERY DAY HERO"**

In every organization, there is one silent member who is truly a giant. Tom Mangione is our "Super Star". Tom is one of 250 LAUSD District Counselor - Pupil Services and Attendance. He is the current "President" of the "Association of Pupil Services and Attendance Counselors". Ever since John Burton created the first CWA website, CASCWA has been trying to use this technology to communicate with our members. Tom is the man behind the scenes who make this dream a reality. Tom you are awesome! Please visit our CASCWA

Website at: **WWW.CASCWA.ORG**

Message to all Conference Attendees

This year's conference is the result of the hard work of the dedicated San Joaquin Executive Board. The presenters are from the entire State of California and this truly is a "State Conference". We wish to thank everyone involved for bringing this well planned conference together and for bringing before our members sessions that are current and relevant. Thank you Joe Brucia, Robert Pankratz and all of your board!

