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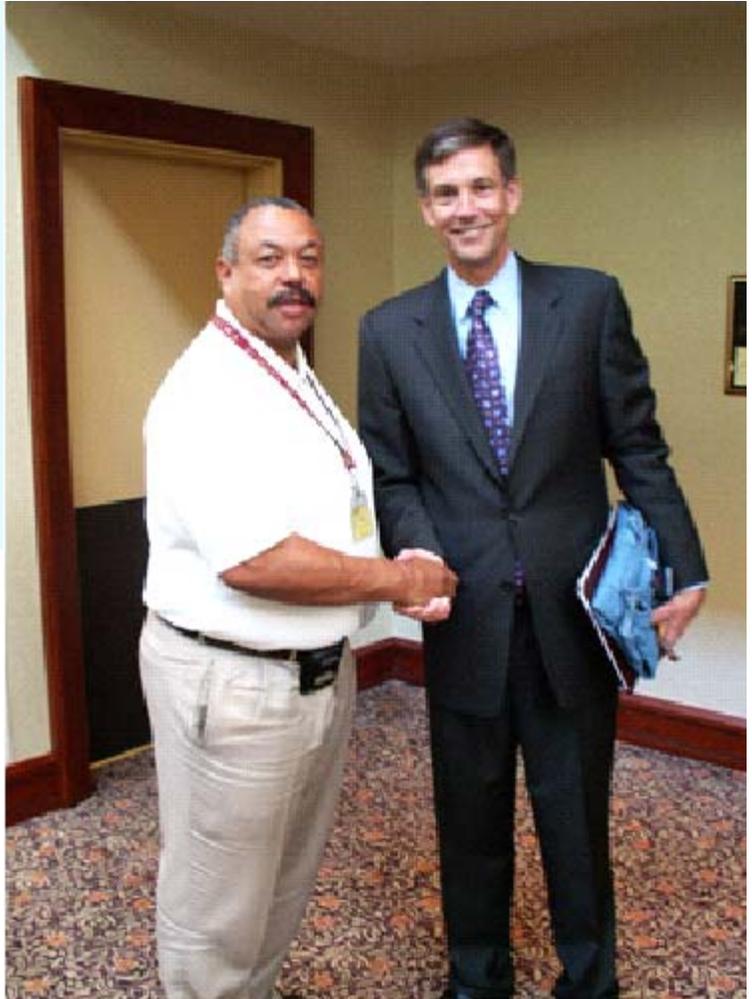
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CASCWA APPRECIATION TO JACK O'CONNELL

A SPECIAL "THANK YOU" TO JACK O'CONNELL, STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, FOR DELIVERING HIS EXCELLENT MESSAGE AS THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT OUR 2005 STATE CONFERENCE.

This end of year edition of the Intercom is dedicated to the "Delta Section Executive Board Members", who exceeded expectations and delivered to our membership an outstanding conference. Conference attendees are indebted to Delta President, Sheri Hanna, & her team for putting together a true "professional" program.

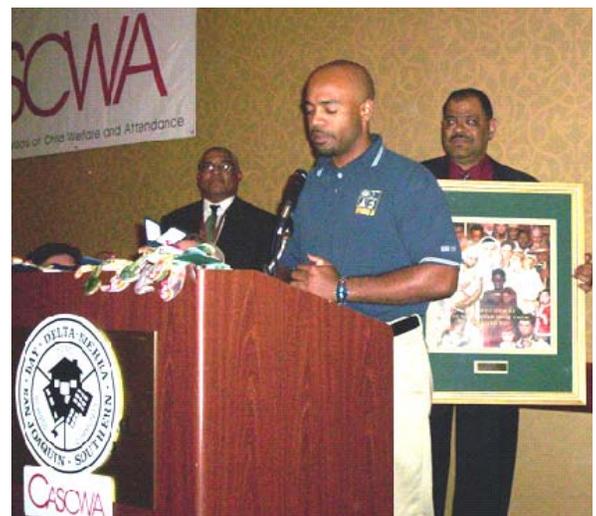


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Dear Fellow CASCWA Members,

First, I want to congratulate everyone who worked on the State Conference in Sacramento. It was jam-packed full of great information, great speakers, and good times. Of special note was the fact that the committee was able to get the Phoenix Suns to stay at the same hotel that we did. I am not sure how we are going to top that in Fresno. Perhaps I contact the Lakers and see if they will come and stay with us! After all, I am the State President.

Second, I want to welcome everyone back for a great 2005-2006 CASCWA year. I am lucky; I get to spend another year on the CASCWA board learning from individuals that are great in their field. We are an organization of experts and work to serve students, families, and districts. It does not matter if this is your 1st year, or your 25th year there is always something new to learn and someone new to meet.

Third, I want to take some time to outline my goals for the organization during the upcoming year.

- 1) To work with the Board and the San Joaquin section to put on an outstanding state conference in April 2006.
- 2) To work with the Board to finalize our "re-sectioning" efforts.
- 3) To replace ourselves. Many of our long time Board members are getting close to beginning their second careers. As an organization, we need to start planning for a "changing of the guard" in some key positions.
- 4) Continue to work with our special projects coordinators and committees to provide support and information to our members.

Finally, I want to thank everyone ahead of time for the effort that I know they will be putting into the organization over the next year. I realize that the greatness of the organization is based upon the effort of our members, not the effort of one single individual.

Sincerely,

Dennis Wiechmann

CASCWA'S MISSION STATEMENT

CASCWA is an organization comprised of school and community professionals who are dedicated to improving school climate, safety, and increasing school attendance. We create a network of professional support, mentors and educators and we influence relevant legislation and advocate for the needs of students, families and schools.

BAY SECTION PRESIDENT'S REPORTS – JAN TREFF

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The Bay Section Spring Conference took place on May 20, 2005 at the Martinelli, Conference Center located adjacent to the Garre Winery in the beautiful Livermore valley. We were very pleased with the turnout and welcomed the opportunity to meet prospective CASCWA members. Our speakers were David Dierking, Director of Student Services for the Alameda Unified School District who spoke about the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) a non-profit established in 1984 to provide services nationwide for families and professionals in the prevention of abducted, endangered and sexually exploited children. David has already completed training by NCMEC that focused on effective communication between agencies when dealing with children – something that all of us can benefit from. None other than Sacramento County Office of Education's Joe Taylor provided us with a legislative update and gave us insight into pending legislation to watch.

We were proud to honor two recipients with CASCWA scholarships – Rebecca Lienhard from the San Lorenzo Unified School District in Alameda county and Eric Tirazona from the West Contra Costa Unified School District. Rebecca plans to attend the local community college with an undeclared major and Eric is focusing on the culinary arts and restaurant management. It was very rewarding to all who were present to meet these students and to share in their success. As always, Alan DelSimone chaired our Scholarship Committee and once again did an outstanding job.

Election of officers was next on the agenda. There is only new face and a couple of new assignments for the 2005-2006 academic year. Those elected are: Jan Treff, President; Frank Valadez, Vice President; Janet McMurray, Secretary; Robert Dunwoody, Treasurer; Cathy McConnell, Communications/Membership and Alan DelSimone, Scholarships. My thanks to all who have volunteered to lead our section for the coming year, especially as we will begin to plan our State Conference for April 2007 to be held in Napa. Our main focus for next year will once again be increased membership and marketing of our highly respected organization by utilizing the electronic age and hopefully increasing communication via e-mail. Happy summer to all!

DELTA SECTION PRESIDENT'S REPORTS – JOE TAYLOR

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As President of the 2005-06 Delta Sierra Section, I want to acknowledge this year's Board. It includes: Jane Claar, Rio Linda Union School District; Kate Bishop and Debbie Morris, North Sacramento School District; Michael O'Leary, Sacramento City Unified School District; Sheri Hanni, Butte County Office of Education; Matt Collier and Rebecca Santos, Elk Grove Unified School District; Richard Davis, Retired; Tad Kitada, Placer County Office of Education; Bob Kruse, Yuba City Unified School District; Kathy Cowles, Shasta County Office of Education; Grace Espindola and Judy Johns, Sutter County Office of Education; and Jeff Owens, Schools Innovation and Advocacy. Delta Sierra Section covers a wide geographical area and as you can see our Board has representation from all over our Delta Sierra area.



Delta Section just completed hosting the State CASCWA Conference in Sacramento, April 20-22, 2005. the State Conference was a great success, had over 300 participants and the workshops and speakers all received very high evaluations. It was the first time we had the State Superintendent of Public Instruction provide the keynote address at a the CASCWA State Conference. Everyone had a great time and our Section enjoyed hosting. Let me give

special thanks to Debbie Morris, past State President and Sheri Hanni, past Delta Sierra Section President whose efforts and coordination made the Conference a great success! Also, thanks to all of our Section members who helped make the State Conference happen and as we have already passed the baton to the San Joaquin Section, we look forward to the 2006 Conference in Fresno!

For this upcoming year, Delta Section will be working on our regular Fall Workshop to be held in October 2005 and Spring Workshop to be held in February or early March 2006. The Fall Workshop will feature a dynamic speaker in the CWA field and will be presented at three locations around the Delta Sierra Section. The Spring Workshop will be on a nuts and bolts CWA topic and planning is under way to have this workshop in association with the Bay Section at a strategic location between our two Sections. As we complete planning for both workshops we will make specific information available on dates, locations and speaker/topics.

Other activities our Delta Sierra Section will working on this year include: new membership recruiting, coordinating the various areas of our Delta Section, more collaboration with other CASCWA Sections, increasing our communications and connections with our members via e-mail, videoconferencing and more social and entertainment events for our members to enjoy. With all of these activities we look forward to a successful year for our Delta Sierra Section.

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Dear Friends of San Joaquin,

The San Joaquin Section hosted a workshop in Clovis, 'Gangs in the Central Valley' during the month of March. Lawrence Fernandez (Madera Unified) and Sher Moua (Fresno County Sheriff's Department) shared their expertise regarding Hispanic and Asian gangs. Dr. Greg Goodman of Clovis Unified spoke about 'Working with At-Risk Kids'. Past State President, Joe Brucia, signed copies of his recent publication, Implementation Guide For Education Laws About Students.



Members attended the annual 'Year-End' Luncheon in Merced during the month of May. Four winners of the Anthony Brucia Scholarship were announced: Megan Berry from Golden West High School, Visalia Unified; Susan Berg, Turlock Unified School District; Vyanna Lynn Young Davis, Merced High School; and Stephanie Sapphire Romero from Strathmore High School in Porterville. A special thank you is extended to Board member Galen Wright, Madera Unified, for chairing the scholarship program. Thank you Galen! State President Dennis Wiechmann was honored for being chosen 'Section Member of the Year.' Congratulations to Dennis!

June 14 will find the Board and members, under the guidance of State President, Dennis, in a planning session busily detailing the components of next year's state conference. Place it on your calendars for April 26-28.

The resignation of Bill Stewart, Clovis Unified, has resulted in the search for a new Board member. Please contact President Tom Neeb, tneeb@losbanosusd.k12.ca.us if interested in serving on the Board of the San Joaquin Section. Bill has served as President Elect and continues to support the section as he has for many years. Bill assures us that he will continue to offer his expertise in the culinary arts arena.

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Southern Section has been proud of Dr. Donna Opoku-Agyeman for many years and is exceptionally grateful to Dr. Donna as she begins her two year term as section president. Dr. Donna, as she is known, asked Jerry Hime to say a few last words as "Southern Section President" during this time of transition. Jerry has worked tirelessly for all of our members and his presidency has been a term of accomplishments. His words are as follows:

"As the school year comes to a close, I am ending my term as president of CASCWA Southern Section. It has truly been a great two years working with an outstanding Board of Directors. I look forward to a slower pace as past president, serving under the capable leadership of Dr. Donna Dalton Opoku-Agyemon of the Lake Elsinore Unified School District.

Southern Section traditionally ends its year in June with the annual Lillie Wilson Scholarship Awards Luncheon. Three students have earned scholarships in recognition of their efforts to overcome adversity and turn their lives around, culminating in receiving their high school diplomas. Nominated by CASCWA members, each has made an extra effort to achieve what may have seen unachievable earlier in their high school careers. With the assistance of CWA personnel in their school districts they can proudly accept their diplomas as well as their well-deserved scholarships. The funds awarded are to be applied to their postsecondary education, whether that be college level or a vocational program.

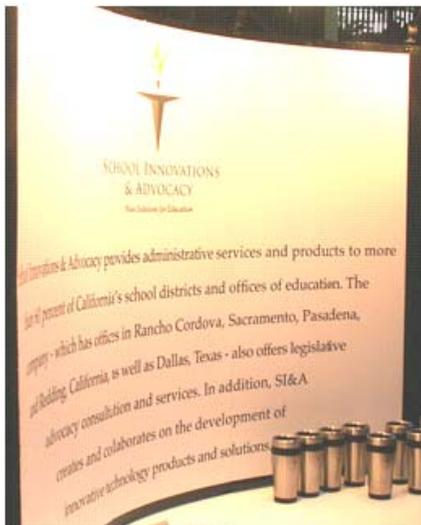
The year ahead promises to be another fruitful one for Southern Section, starting off with a one day conference planned: Alternatives + Collaboration + Commitment + Expectations = Student Success (ACCESS). The conference will be held Friday, October 14th at the Hotel Zoso in Palm Springs. Formerly the Marquis Hotel, it was the past site of several state CASCWA conferences. It has undergone extensive renovation and the management is eager to welcome us. (A "save-the-date" flyer appears in this edition of the Intercom.) Plan to join us on Thursday and enjoy the ambiance of Palm Springs as well at the weekly street fair that evening. Plans are also underway to continue the series of legal forums that have proved popular over the years. Each will address a timely and pertinent issue confronting CWA personnel.

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If you attended the excellent workshop on mandated cost, you will recognize Jeff Owen of School, Innovation and Advocacy. The Intercom will be featuring Jeff and this excellent organization in our next edition. They have been a major workshop presenter and supporter of our annual state conference. School Innovation and Advocacy are well known for their excellent services provided to school districts. In addition, they remain current on issues in the state and provide outstanding communications to the school districts they service. With permission from Mr. Owen, below you will find two of their most recent updates prepared by Kevin Gordon and Vernon M. Billy, at the end of May and beginning of June, 2005. We thank School Innovation and Advocacy for the articles and their support!

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We just wanted to let you know that late yesterday, both the Assembly and Senate Budget Subcommittees on Education appropriated more than \$200 million for education mandates. In short, both committees rejected the governor's May Revise proposals and redirected most of the money to pay for mandates. The subcommittee's actions varied slightly in terms of the dollar amount and the combination of one-time versus ongoing funds for mandates, but the key point was made - the legislature wants to start paying off mandates before any new, expensive programs are created. Here's what happened. The Assembly Subcommittee appropriated \$349 million for education mandates. This was done after a long, and consistent barrage of education advocates urging the committee to pay for deficit reduction and mandate payments. Specifically, the Assembly dedicated \$98 million of the \$349m for ongoing/current year mandates.



This specific appropriation is important to note because the committee fundamentally felt the state should start rebuilding an ongoing level of funding into the state budget to annually pay mandates. Not only is the symbolism expressed by the committee's action important, but so is the fact that they appropriated 40 percent of the average ongoing cost for mandates. The average statewide cost for current year/annual education mandate payments is approximately \$250m.

In addition to the policy and budgetary statement the subcommittee made with the mandate appropriation, the politics were quite interesting as well. Although Democrats control the subcommittee, the move to put money into mandates was supported by both Democrat and Republican Members. In fact, one Republican, Assemblywoman Lynn Daucher, challenged the Governor's Department of Finance (DOF) about wanting to provide only \$1,000 for four new mandates and said she would not vote for continuing to mandate requirements on districts and not providing them the funding. In the end, the \$349 million appropriation was approved on a bipartisan vote.

In the Senate, the Senate Budget Subcommittee on Education appropriated \$208.8 million in one-time money to pay off the education mandate backlog. Similar to the discussion in the Assembly, legislators heard testimony from education advocates that local districts need discretionary money and that any new funds should be directed towards the revenue limit deficit factor and paying mandates. Again, the important distinction between the Senate's action and the Assembly's

action is that the Senate focuses on paying off the mandate backlog with one-time money and does nothing to address the annual / ongoing cost of mandates.

Although, the actions of the Assembly and Senate subcommittee's are good news for school districts, the Joint Budget Conference Committee still must negotiate the final budget. However, it is pretty clear that the Legislature wants mandates funded at some level in the 05-06 budget and believes the state needs to start paying down its "Education Credit Card." We hope this is helpful and provides you with some additional insight into the legislature's budget actions in the last 24 hours.

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At this point it is hard to say whether to expect a quick budget deal or a protracted fight spilling into late August or September. That largely depends on whether the political strategists think a budget impasse keeps the pressure on embattled Governor Schwarzenegger (whose poll numbers have dropped dramatically since the start of public skirmishing over the budget and special election), or whether they think an impasse would instead further erode public confidence in the Democratic-controlled Legislature. The only thing we know for sure is that education funding is at the center of the battle, and that the pundits and spin doctors will be gainfully employed until this one is over.

Today the Budget Conference Committee gets started with its task of reconciling the different budget proposals made by the Senate and Assembly. Along with numerous differences in appropriations for specific programs there are some over-arching funding proposals to reconcile. A couple weeks ago the Senate Budget Subcommittee for Education proposed increasing school funding by \$2 billion but did not specify what changes they would make in overall revenues and/or expenditures to free up these additional funds.

Yesterday, Speaker Fabian Nunez outlined the Assembly Democrats' alternative to the Governor's budget that provides \$3.1 billion of additional school funding (\$1.9 billion in current year and \$1.2 billion for 2005-06) and also rejects the \$469 million STRS cost shift. The Assembly Democrats propose to raise additional revenues by increasing the top tax bracket from 9.3% to 10% for married couples with taxable incomes of \$285,000 to \$569,999, and to 11% for married couples with taxable incomes of \$570,00 or more. Speaker Nunez argues that this restores the top tax rate to levels found during the Reagan and Wilson Administrations.

Conference Committee decisions over the next few days will reveal the level of support for this proposal among Democrats in both Houses and should result in a common budget position that will set the stage for the broader budget negotiations among the "Big 5." In other important news for school districts we saw more signs last week that our efforts to get the State to pay the "Education Credit Card" debt are producing results. We noted previously that paying for education mandates received bi-partisan support in the Legislature during early stages of budget negotiations.

At a press conference on May 24, State Controller Steve Westly joined the chorus and discussed the importance of paying the state mandate debt owed to local governments. The Controller suggested using up to \$1 billion of the one-time funds from this year's tax amnesty program to pay down the mandate debt. "For years, the State has raided local governments to balance its budget," said Controller Westly. "Our successful amnesty program gives us the opportunity to fulfill our promises to local agencies, pay down our debt, and truly provide a public service to every Californian.

This is good government." We applaud Controller Westly for his strong support for paying the State's debt to school districts and other local governments. While we are optimistic about the support of funding for mandates it is important to recognize that we are still in the early stages of a fairly unique budget battle that will take many twists and turns before it is over.



Efforts to remedy other problems with the State's mandate reimbursement program are also underway. Our Chief Counsel, Abe Hajela, has been working with our friends in the education community to persuade the Commission on State Mandates (COSM) not to adopt a new legal theory that would effectively eliminate the State's duty to reimburse school districts for state mandates. The COSM staff analysis for the School Accountability Report Card (SARC) mandate reconsideration recommended denial of reimbursement unless school districts could prove that they spent local property tax revenues to comply with the mandate. Abe led the testimony on behalf of school districts at the COSM hearing, with support from both the Education Coalition and the Education Management Group.

Fortunately, representatives of Controller Westly and State Treasurer Phil Angelides agreed with the education community and rejected the staff analysis to deny reimbursement. Unfortunately, the 2-2 vote means the issue could come back before COSM at the next regular meeting. We will continue to watch this issue, and a special thanks to CSEA, CTA and ACSA for their efforts to make the Controller and Treasurer aware of the significance of this issue for school districts.

Finally, we are working with CTA, ACSA, CSBA, CASBO and school district representatives to invite Controller Westly to reform the currently flawed process of SCO audits of mandate reimbursement claims. While we appreciate Westly's support for payment of the debt owed to school districts, we want to ensure that unfair audit practices do not prevent districts from receiving funds for mandated programs and services they have already provided. Controller Westly has agreed that the goal of audits should not be to deny claims, but rather to fairly assess whether districts have complied with state laws and regulations dealing with mandates and reimbursement.

We are continuing conversations with Westly to try to resolve concerns about audit standards, overly restrictive interpretations of the "source" documentation necessary to justify claims, and the retroactive application of standards or rules to prior year mandate claims. Again, we appreciate the fact that the statewide education associations are exerting their considerable influence to help solve a problem that is preventing badly needed funds from reaching our schools. We will continue to provide updates as the budget process moves along.

PRESS RELEASE FROM THE STATE CONTROLLER 5/24/05

State Controller Westly Recommends Relief for California Schools, Local Agencies - *Westly Calls for using \$1 billion of Amnesty Money to Pay Down Debt*

SACRAMENTO - State Controller Steve Westly today called for Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger to use one-time funds created by the State's successful tax amnesty program to pay down debt owed to California local agencies, including schools, law enforcement and counties. "Our tax amnesty program brought in an unprecedented amount of new money into the general fund, money that could go far in helping California get out of the red," Controller Westly said. "The most fiscally responsible use of these funds should be for debt payoff. The most humane use of these funds should be toward the basic services every Californian needs."

The State currently owes more than \$2 billion in unfunded or "deferred" state mandated programs: Local government: \$1,196,195,732; School Districts: \$718,790,843, Community Colleges: \$90,474,505; for a total of \$2,005,461,080. The State incurred a total of \$118,977,605 in accrued interest. This interest is money the State can otherwise use to help fund sheriff deputies, firefighters, health clinics, and school programs.

This year's tax amnesty program was the first amnesty outreach in California in 20 years. It raised an estimated \$4.4 billion and the State is expected to keep a conservative estimate of 50% of the money. Controller Westly suggests using up to \$1 billion of new money to pay down the debt owed to local agencies, the remainder to be placed in reserve.

"For years, the State has raided local governments to balance its budget," said Controller Westly. "Our successful amnesty program gives us the opportunity to fulfill our promises to local agencies, pay down our debt, and truly provide a public service to every Californian. This is good government." *At the time of the Intercom publication, a decision regarding the funds had not taken place.* A detailed state mandate deficiency report is available at this Web site using the following link:

<http://www.controller.ca.gov/ard/local/locreim/reports/deficiency.pdf>

DR. VICTOR THOMPSON CONTINUES THE L.A.C.O.E. TRADITION



Wow! What a career for the great "Phil Kauble". Phil's lifetime accomplishments will continue to have a positive effect on the children in California for generations to come. How do you replace a legend! You hire the next legend!

Dr. Victor Thompson is already a super star throughout the state and his career is just beginning! We asked Victor to send us a few articles for the Intercom. Enjoy the following. What about Phil? Rumors are that he is driving a tractor and spending time with his beautiful family. We do know that Phil has taken over the publication of "California Laws Relating to Minors" and has re-indexed the publication, updated special education sections and aligned specific codes and related cross references. We look forward to the new editions. Take the time to go to:

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SARB TELECONFERENCE REACHES OVER 300! BY DR. VICTOR THOMPSON

The Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) Division of Student Support Services and LACOE SARB hosted a School Attendance Review Board (SARB) Teleconference on May 10, 2005. Sponsored by ACSA Region 14 and CASCWA Southern Section, sixteen county host sites participated. The keynote speakers included State Superintendent Jack O'Connell, LACOE Superintendent Dr. Darline Robles, and State SARB Chair David Kopperud. The Whittier Union High School District (WUHSD) SARB featured a simulation of an actual SARB hearing, showing how agencies interact, and led by SARB Chair Richard Russell and representatives from law enforcement, the probation department, the district attorney's office, and mental health agencies.

Viewers noted that it was nice to "see the SARB in action, rather than just talk about it." Wanda Sequin, WUHSD attendance clerk, starred as "the student." Dennis Pagenkopp, Senior Hearing Officer for the District Attorney Truancy Mediation Hearing program conducted a typical office hearing, with his secretary Frances Rivera and her son Memo starring as the "parent and student." District Attorney James Hickey spoke on the prosecution of truancy cases in juvenile court. Four Paramount High School students, Reneshia Greer, Edmundo Mejia, Jesus Quintero, and Kathy Robertson spoke candidly about their careers as truants, and how they were able to improve their lives due to the efforts of SARB, interviewed by Assistant Principal Gwen Baker. The student testimonials were described as "real and inspiring." The audience had the opportunity to ask questions of the presenters, and was surprised when Superintendent O'Connell appeared on the air a second time to voice additional support for SARB! LACOE SARB Coordinator Shirley Abrams gave concluding remarks, and spoke of her more than 25 years of experience working with students. She reminded us that SARB is not a one time cure-all, that it is "a process to address the needs of families and students."

THE WILLIAMS SETTLEMENT: HOW WILL IT AFFECT OUR SCHOOLS BY DR. VICTOR C. THOMPSON

On May 17, 2000, the 46th anniversary of the landmark *Brown v. Board of Education* case, the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) filed suit against the State of California on behalf of named plaintiffs Eli Williams, a seventh grade student at Luther Burbank Middle School in San Francisco, and his father Sweetie Williams, a pastor, and baggage screener at the San Francisco airport. There were a total of 97 student plaintiffs from 46 elementary, middle, and high schools in 18 school districts throughout the state. The Williams were concerned about insufficient textbooks at the school, clogged toilets, and mice-infested classrooms without heat among other problems. Mr. Williams, who came to California with his family in 1999, stated to Dashka Slater of motherjones.com, "We've been told this is the land of opportunity. Our children are being deprived of that opportunity. It's not fair."

After four years of trial preparation and settlement negotiations, an agreement was signed in August 2004. The settlement ensures adequate instructional materials, qualified teachers, and decent school facilities, implemented through legislative bills. Some of these bills are:

AB 1550 – Districts must cease the use of the Concept 6 multi-track year-round education (YRE) calendar as soon as possible, but no later than July 1, 2012. Concept 6 is a three track YRE calendar that decreases the number of students of campus by 33% on a 163 school day calendar.

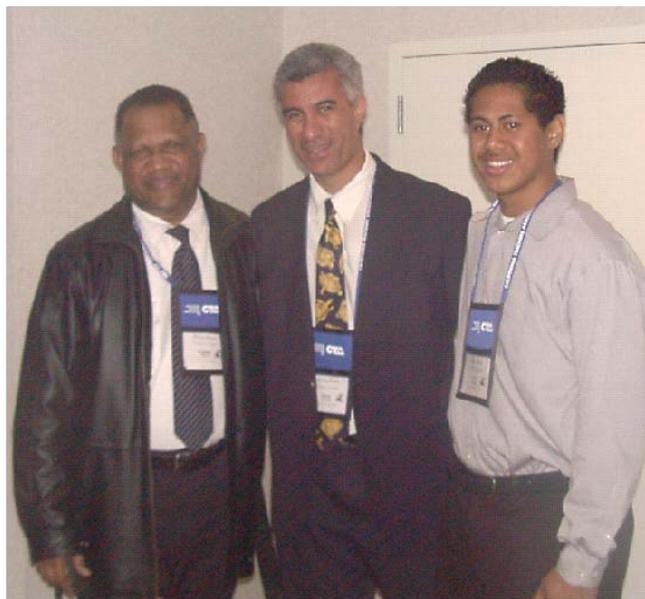
SB 550 – Requires the school accountability report card (SARC) to include information about the availability of sufficient textbooks and instructional materials, the maintenance of school facilities to ensure good repair, and the vacancy of or misassignment of teachers.

The Uniform Complaint Procedure (UCP) is the identified process that can be used by parents and school officials to help resolve and identify deficiencies related to instructional materials, the condition of facilities, and teacher vacancy or misassignment. The UCP is currently used for the resolution of deficiencies or discrimination in programs such as Adult Education, Consolidated Categorical Aid Programs, Migrant Education, Vocational Education, Child Care and Development, Child Nutrition, Safe Schools, and Special Education.

Posted classroom signage to parents will be required, indicating that there are sufficient textbooks and instructional materials in the classroom that the school facilities are clean, safe, and in good repair, and that the UCP process is available to resolve any disputes.

How will the Williams Settlement affect our schools? It certainly creates more regulations for school officials, and also the County Superintendents of Schools, who are charged with visiting and monitoring instructional materials, facilities conditions, and teacher assignments at the schools. Hopefully the additional regulations will result in more accountability in those schools where students are suffering and need the most support.

Eli Williams, in his statement at the settlement hearing, concluded that he is a senior, and probably won't see many of the changes. But he noted that he wanted to help his little sister who will be starting school in the near future, and all students in California. "Finally..." declared Williams, "...all kids will know that they have a right to go to a school that is safe and to have the books they need to learn and succeed in the future." As with any new legislation, I hope that we do not lose sight of its intent, to help all students to achieve, and understand how to address their concerns if conditions exist that make achievement difficult. What I learned from the Williams case was something I never expected. Sweetie Williams had never planned to become an activist, something unheard of in his community, especially in the arena of educational equity. For me, it was most gratifying to know that for the first time, a community new to the process of educational activism stepped forward, the Pacific Islander community, and in particular, the Samoan community, for it was from American Samoa that the Williams came in 1999. In *Brown v. Board of Education*, a major point of the case is that segregation of children in public schools solely on the basis of race deprives children of the minority group of equal educational opportunities, even though the physical facilities and other "tangible" factors may be equal. Have the physical facilities and other tangible factors become unequal? Let's strive to make sure that this is not the case.



STUDENTS APPEAR AT YOUR SCHOOL DOORSTEP WITH TWO WEEKS LEFT ... WHAT DO WE DO? BY DR. VICTOR C. THOMPSON

Imagine that it is June 1st, and a new family has moved into your school district from Hawaii. You ask yourself, "Do we have to enroll them with so little time left in the school year?" Since these students are from out-of-state, Education Code Section 48231 exempts students from attendance who enroll within ten days before the end of the school term. Now if the students are from Kahuku High School, enroll them immediately! They may be my cousins, and will be a tremendous addition to your school's luau advisory committee.

This point leads us to Title 5 CCR 201(b), which discusses what to do with other students who arrive from within California. This section indicates that a pupil may be admitted to the school who, in the judgement of personnel of the district, is capable of profiting from the instruction offered, regardless of the grade he or she has completed.

In other words, schools have discretion to determine if late admission would benefit a student or not. If a student enters the district from another country, and has already completed the current grade level or even graduated from high school, enrollment in school may benefit English proficiency. However, I can just imagine the reaction from a few teachers. For example, "What are we supposed to do with them?" Do what is best for the child.

If a student has already completed a semester or term in another school district, such as a year-round education (YRE) calendar, or districts that start the school year earlier, it may be appropriate to exempt them from attendance for the remainder of the semester or term. In the case of YRE, students may be in dire need of vacation time, although parents may be in dire need of continued "school district child care."

Finally, we have a few parents who would rather keep their children out of school, to avoid SARB, or to participate in such home duties as chores or babysitting younger siblings. "We did not know they needed to be in school," is their clarion call. To these individuals, our call to action is Education Code Section 48201(a), which reminds parents that they shall enroll their child in school once they arrive in their new district of residence.

Again, keep the child's best interest in mind, and make sure you have enough copies of your enrollment forms handy.

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Also, it is a must in today's society that we all bookmark and regularly visit the California Attorney General's website on "MEGAN'S LAW" at: **<http://www.meganslaw.ca.gov/>**

CASCWA LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

PREPARED BY SHERMAN GARNETT AND JOE TAYLOR

May 31 was the final day for legislation that originated in either the Senate or Assembly to be passed on to the next legislative body. Many bills that failed to clear their respective legislative bodies will be heard during next year's legislative session. The following bills will affect CWA personnel statewide have cleared this hurdle and potentially could be placed on the governor's desk for approval this legislative session:

AB 1610 – Charter Schools- makes technical changes to current existing law including mandatory notification by the charter school that a student has been dropped or dismissed from the charter back to the district of residence.

AB 605 - Student suspension- adds a new suspension code to 48900. The new code number would give the principal an option to recommend suspension or expulsion for a student who makes a false accusation against a school employee.

SB 1004 - would require a teacher to make available all assignments and appropriate school work that the student will miss during a suspension.

SB 660 – mandates separate protocols for elementary and high school students being subject to police interviews on campus.

SB 136 - authorizes a school district to accept inter-district transfers for parent employment within the district. Clarifies parent employment as working twenty hours or more per week in the district and encourages school districts to annually verify parent employment within the district.

KICK THE PAPER HABIT - DOCUFIDE

Docufide's Website states: "Every year more than 35 million transcripts go out to colleges and universities across the nation. Most of them are still printed, stuffed, stamped and mailed at a cost of hundreds of millions of dollars in staff hours and postage, even when high schools and colleges both keep records electronically!"

One of our CASCWA friends is Jeff Harris of Docufide. Jeff's email is jeffh@docufide.com. We told Jeff about our next edition of the intercom and he sent us the following article. Docufide has the potential of taking a large amount of transcript processing off of your secretary's desk and free up your staff for other important purposes. Check this out:

We wanted to give you an update from our friends at Docufide, the nation's leading provider of electronic transcript exchange services between secondary and postsecondary schools. To-date, Docufide has delivered transcripts on behalf of high schools in 15 states to over 1000 of the nation's accredited colleges and universities. Docufide's Secure Transcript is free to schools, take only an hour per high school to install and train, and is highly recommended by parents, students, registrars, and college administrators. At an average savings of \$50 a college bound graduate, it's easy to understand why so many districts are adopting Secure Transcript for this upcoming school year. To bring this to your high schools, visit Docufide at www.docufide.com



THE 2004-05 CASCWA LEE LUNDBERG SERVICE AWARD & SECTION AWARD WINNERS - 2004-05 CASCWA HALL OF FAME

The CASCWA State Award is named after the late Mr. Lee Lundberg of the San Leandro Unified School District. Lee was an educational leader, a true child advocate and an exceptional educator. For years, Lee along with Phil Kauble and other CASCWA legends, served on CASCWA's Executive Board, put on workshops for our membership and represented CASCWA regarding legislation and issues of Child Welfare and Attendance. Lee was a giant in our field and his legend lives on. This award is the top award in our organization. Congratulations Sherman and Joe, you truly deserve this recognition!

2005 STATE CASCWA LEE LUNDBERG SERVICE AWARD CO-RECIPIENTS: MR. SHERMAN GARNETT & MR. JOE TAYLOR

Sherman Garnett has been in education for the past 29 years. He began as a teacher and coach in southern California. He has experience in the middle school, high school and continuation school levels.

In 1993 he began working for the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools as a Community School Principal. In 1998, Sherman took over for John Burton as the Coordinator, Child Welfare and Attendance School Linked Programs and Partnerships. As the new CWA for San Bernardino County, Sherman became very active in providing resources and services for the many School Districts throughout this huge county.

In 1998, Sherman attended the State CASCWA conference in San Francisco where he met Frank Boehler and was recruited to join CASCWA. In 1999, Sherman was appointed as the Southern California Legislation Representative for CASCWA.



Since then Sherman has teamed with Joe Taylor, Northern California Legislation Representative, CASCWA, to actively pursue and provide information the legislative process as it applies to CWA issues. Sherman and Joe are known around the entire state for workshop presentations, informative articles, Bill testimonies in the state Assembly and Senate, lobbying activities and collaboration with numerous organizations on the legislative process and its impact on Child Welfare and Attendance. Sherman along with Joe Taylor became an appointed member to the California State SARB and also serves as the representative for ACSA. Sherman is known statewide for his presentation on Student Records which continues to be one of the most informative & dynamic presentations available. Sherman is a member of the Southern California CWA's which consists of all of the Southern California county CWA's and is founding member of the statewide CWA's group. For all of his efforts and dedication to the CWA field, Sherman was rewarded by being selected to be a presenter at the first ever National Truancy Conference in Washington D.C. in December 2004. Sherman continues today to be a great resource for all of us and his positive take charge attitude is contagious. Sherman and his lovely wife Patricia, who is an elementary school principal, have two adult children and live in the San Bernardino area and are active in their community.





Joe Taylor is a veteran educator and CASCWA executive board member. Joe is currently the Child Welfare and Attendance Administrator in the Sacramento County Office of Education. Joe has previously served as a teacher and administrator in the California Youth Authority, Sacramento County community day school principal and until very recently, a dual role as principal of a probation placement facility and CWA. In his role as Sacramento County Office of Education CWA, Joe serves as Sacramento County School Attendance Review Board Chairperson, (SARB), facilitates expulsion and interdistrict transfer appeals and serves on the California State SARB board. Of the many highlights of Joe's career occurred in May 2004.

Joe facilitated & hosted a statewide SARB teleconference in which SARB personnel including many district attorneys from throughout the state participated & shared effective SARB strategies. Recently, Joe was a featured presenter at the first - ever National Anti-Truancy

Conference in Washington D.C., sponsored by the Federal Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention.

With the said intent of improving student academic success via effective multi-disciplinary team strategies, Joe is an effective and valuable CASCWA executive board member. Joe currently serves with Southern Section counterpart Sherman Garnett as CASCWA's legislative liaisons. Joe and Sherman regularly meet with CASCWA members surveying their needs in the form of improved legislations to make a difference with in the everyday function of our schools, children, teachers, administrators and parents.

It is not uncommon to witness Joe walking the halls of the legislature lobbying on behalf of CASCWA. Joe Taylor is a native of the state of Ohio and attended public school in Sacramento. Married and a grandfather, Joe spends his off-time with his wife, Yolanda, a veteran state employee, and is an avid Los Angeles Lakers fan.



BAY SECTION – SERVICE AWARD WINNER
MS. JAN TREFF

The super woman from the Alameda County of Education who can make you smile in the face of adversity - Jan is the President of CASCWA'S Bay Section. She has the reputation of getting things done with a bit of levity on the way. She joined CASCWA in the late 90's as her duties began to encompass welfare and attendance issues. She quickly gained the respect and appreciation of fellow members for her spirited ability to cut to the chase and get things done. She was first hired at ACE in 1993, as a secretary and pursued her Legal Assistant

certification while raising her two sons.

In her current position as the County's Community and Legal Liaison, she was instrumental in establishing truancy abatement procedures with the District Attorney's Office. Jan is the proud grandmother of a new, beautiful, baby girl and recently married Richard Treff on New Year's Eve 2005. With all of this activity plus a very hectic work schedule, she has provided Bay Section with exemplary leadership. Jan is a valuable member of CASCWA and we look forward to her leadership for years to come.



DELTA SECTION – SERVICE AWARD WINNER MS. SHERI HANNI

Behind every great CASCWA conference is the one individual who has faced the challenges and became an everyday hero. Everyone who attended this year's conference is indebted to Sheri and her Delta Force! They have far exceeded our expectations. Sheri Hanna works out of the Butte County Office of Education in Oroville, California. Sheri is married and the mother of two beautiful children. She is quiet, but don't let that fool you. She is a real dynamo and has been the right hand to our current CASCWA State President, Debbie Morris.

The theme for this year's conference was "*Delta Days in the River City, Bridges to Success*". This theme truly typifies Sheri's dream of bringing all four sections together into one at this year's Conference. For those of us on the CASCWA State Executive Board, Sheri has been a pleasure to work with on all matters and we are pleased that Sheri has agreed to continue on as our CASCWA State Executive Board's Secretary.

Sheri is to be commended for the outstanding workshops, keynote speaker and the academy. They were great success and gave our membership tremendous information to take back to their school districts. Sheri was given a "Special CASCWA Conference Shirt" at the end of the conference by Debbie Morris, State President for her excellence in putting together this outstanding event.

We consider Sheri to be a true leader, and exceptional educator and a true leader. The Delta Section can look back on a year of success thanks to the Delta's President, Sheri Hanna. Sheri was a unanimous selection for this year's award and we commend the Delta Section for their outstanding selection.



SAN JOAQUIN SECTION–SERVICE AWARD WINNER MR. DENNIS WIECHMANN

Many of you know "**2005-06 INCOMING STATE CASCWA PRESIDENT**" Dennis "Batman" Wiechmann. Dennis is the past section president. Dennis has been a member of CASCWA for 5 years and has risen to the top levels of the organization because of his organizational abilities and "can do" attitude.

Dennis was born in Fresno and is a 35 year-old "bratty" teenager. He and his wife Kim have two children, David, 8 who, if given the choice would be named DJ (Dennis Junior), and Austin, 6. Dennis argued to have his youngest boy named Phoenix; however he was overruled by Kim. As always, hindsight is 20/20, a name means everything. Austin really is a Phoenix. Dennis has had many jobs over the years that have helped him develop the character needed to work in the field of Child Welfare and Attendance. From mowing lawns, he learned how to hustle for money and put an honest days work in as a fourth grade student. He also learned how to duck a storm of locust while mowing lawns in Texas. From lawns he graduated to throwing papers. This taught him the value of getting to work on time, given that the paper needed to be delivered by 6:00 am. Students have a hard time coming up with excuses why they are late to school that he would find acceptable. Next he was hired to install alarm systems by his step father and while he was the second most fired employee (his brother was the first most fired employee), he learned the skill of never saying "that can not be done". There was always a way. Interestingly, all of these jobs taught him one thing. Manual labor was too much work and he needed to follow in his mothers footsteps of education. However, teaching looked like too much work and you had to follow a strict bell schedule. For those of you who know Dennis, you know this would have been impossible.

At a ripe age of 16 he made a decision to become a school psychologist. Much too everyone's amazement he was accepted to California State University. This was exciting considering high school was very difficult and he almost did not graduate (not because of grades, but because of a conflict with an administrator. Dennis still believes he was right and

the administrator was wrong). However, this proved to be a painful lesson of how adults in power sometimes choose to act in manners that do not help students. If his mother would have had her way he would have enlisted in the military. Structure & following rules would have done him good!!! After 5 years in college, he was accepted to the School Psychology program at Fresno State. He was recognized as the student assistant of the year & as an outstanding graduate student in the program. Dennis served as a school psychologist for four years before realizing that there may be some problems with the special education laws. This realization prompted him to favorable to a request from Sanger Unified to interview for the Supervisor of Child Welfare and Attendance position. Dennis was so eager for this change that he put the Sanger number on his speed dial. Eventually, he was hired by the District and given the task of working with the at-risk students and program development, which he has done without hesitation. Even though he is faced with



keeping the schools safe through discipline procedures he never forgets about the students. In fact, he sold the District on the idea of opening a Community Day School for students who had been in trouble or had not been coming to school. The district said "sure", but there is no money. Using the can do attitude, he put on his Batman outfit and went to work. With the help of one other district employee the Community Day School was open and the students who others had forgotten about were actually building their own school, and building a youth center for the children of Sanger. While most Administrators are housed away from the students, Dennis chose to move his office in the middle of the Community Day School. Okay, the school thing may have also been because the district would not give him an office. So instead of complaining, he figured a way to build his own office. Dennis' compassion for at-risk students combined with his commitment for each child to learn has made him an asset to

Sanger Unified and the field of Child Welfare and Attendance. Of course, not only does Dennis care for the students of Sanger Unified, he is well like by his peers and his fellow CASCWA members!

**SOUTHERN SECTION
SERVICE AWARD WINNER
MS. LAURA EWING**



The "Energizer Bunny" built a reputation on its ability to keep on going on and on and on. Southern Section's "Energizer Bunny" is also known as Laura Ewing, District Counselor for Pupil Services and Attendance for the Los Angeles Unified School District. Laura Ewing is always busy serving the needs of the students and staff in the District whether she's making home calls, providing in-service training to school personnel on attendance accounting and motivation programs, or providing school and community resources to students and families. Laura is a member of the local district SARB and is a frequent participant on Expulsion Review Committees. When she is not busy tracking down truant students, Laura can be found at the gym, mountain biking, or snow skiing. During vacations, she loves to travel and has visited Mexico, Hawaii, the Caribbean, and Europe. Someday, she plans to go on an African Safari. Laura graduated from the University of California at Santa Barbara and has completed graduate studies at California State University Northridge (CSUN) as well as at Cal State Dominguez Hills and Chapman University. Her introduction to CASCWA was at Chapman University. She was taking a class from Mr. Ron Lackey and listened to a guest speaker from CASCWA, Frank Boehler. She immediately joined and has been an active member ever since. She is currently serving as Southern Section's Executive Board Secretary. Laura's career in education began as a middle school science teacher, but CASCWA is fortunate that she discovered "Pupil Services and Attendance." When asked about what she likes most about her job, Laura responded, "I like helping students in crisis become success stories rather than dropout statistics."

SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO SHERMAN GARNETT BY HIS FORMER STUDENT KEVIN WALTON

Approximately five days before we gathered for the state conference, Sheri Hanna received the following email:

"My name is Kevin Walton and I am a student at Cosumnes River College here in Sacramento. I am sending this message in regards to one of your speakers, Sherman R. Garnett. He is the fourth speaker during Breakout Session One, entitled "Flaws In the Laws". I wanted to find out if you had access to his e-mail address or know how I might be able to obtain it. Mr. Garnett was my principal and supervisor at Bernt Community School in Ontario, CA. He really helped me get my life back on track and I never got the opportunity to thank him for what he's done. I'd like to tell him how I'm doing now. It would really mean a lot to me if you could respond with his address or at least point me in the right direction. Thank you so much for your time."

Sheri not only saw to it that Kevin received Sherman's email, she invited the recent graduate of Davis to attend the Lee Lundberg Award Ceremony and present Sherman with his recognition. Kevin has overcome great adversity and contributes Sherman with turning him around. This was the most moving moment in the history of CASCWA conferences. There wasn't a dry eye in the room and this recognition typifies the spirit of our CASCWA organization. Thank you Kevin!



CASCWA EXECUTIVE BOARD'S "THANK YOU" TO MRS. DEBBIE MORRIS, 2004-05 STATE PRESIDENT

To our President, Debbie Morris, you have taken CASCWA to a higher level. You have had the vision and wisdom to make a difference in all of our lives. Your presidency has been exceptional. Thank you Debbie! This has been a great year and look forward to your continued success, as you will continue to serve as past president for years to come.



2004-05 CASCWA State Executive Board



Debbie Morris, President

2005 State Conference Highlights Sheraton Grand Hotel, Sacramento April 20 - 22, 2005

President's Academy – Wednesday, April 20, 2005

Welcome by Tad Kitada, Placer County Office of Education - CWA 101 - General Session - Topics Included: Interdistrict Attendance and Residence- Enrollment – Truancy and School Attendance Laws, Private Schools and Home Instruction, SARB, Suspension and Expulsion including Alternatives, McKinney Vento, AB490, & more...Lunch and Mentoring Mix - Special Performance by the Sheldon High School Jazz Band - Increasing School Safety.





State Conference Highlights – Thursday, April 21, 2005

Welcome by CASCWA State President, Debbie Morris - Welcome by Dave Gordon, Sacramento County Office of Education, Superintendent. Keynote by **Jack O'Connell, State Superintendent of Public Instruction** **BREAKOUT SESSION ONE:** (1) The Trouble with Truancy Rates Tad Kitada, Dave Soper & David Kopperudd; (2) AB 490 Implementation for Foster Youth; (3) Student Records, Parent Rights, Custody, etc. (part 1) - Kim Bogard of Pinnell & Kingsley Attorneys at Law; (4) Flaws in the Laws Joe Taylor & Sherman Garnett; (5) The Bridge Between Positive Youth Development, and Student Academic Achievement - Rick Phillips; and (6) School Innovations and Advocacy Jeff Owen.



BREAKOUT SESSION TWO: 1) Legislative Process Jerry Hime, Jamillah Moore & Brett McFadden; 2) Sacramento City USD Expulsion Reduction Michael O'Leary & Rob Gerig; 3) Current Drug Trends Jackie Long; 4) Student Records, Parent Rights, Custody, etc. (part 2) Kim Bogard of Pinnell & Kingsley, Attorneys at Law; 5) Student Athletes, Residency Issues and the CIF Roger Blake; 6) Seeking Educational Equity and Diversity (SEED) Dr. Odie Douglas, Kathy Orihuela & Francie Teitelbaum; **12:15 - 1:30 pm CASCWA Luncheon** - Hosted by School Innovations &

Advocacy, Lee Lundberg State Award & Section Awards; Installation of 2005-2006 State Executive Board; Recognition of Honorary Life Members; **1:45 - 3:00 PM BREAKOUT SESSION THREE:** 1) Drug Endangered Children Sue Webber-Brown; 2) Sexual Harassment John Burton; 3) Safe School Ambassadors Program Rick Phillips; 4) IDEA Reauthorization & Impact on Student, Discipline (part 1) Donna Matties; Cathy Holmes & Martin Fine of Best, Best and Krieger Attorneys at Law; 5) "A Cut Above" Self Harming Behavior in Teenagers, Elizabeth Engelken & Sally Spatafore; 6) Cutting Cash Aid & Court Consequences to Truancy - Lee Wood & Jeff Gardner; **3:15 -4:30 PM BREAKOUT SESSION FOUR:** 1) Technology Predators - Vincent Recce; 2) Geographical Information System (GSI) Randy Hood; 3) Direct Instruction; 4) Teen Suicide Kathleen Snyder; 5 IDEA Reauthorization & Impact on Student-Discipline (part 2) Donna Matties; Cathy Holmes & Martin Fine of Best, Best & Krieger, Attorneys at Law; 6) Working with Kids In Chaos Ray Culberson; **CASCWA STATE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION RIVER BOAT CRUISE.**



State Conference Highlights – Thursday, April 21, 2005

Welcome by CASCWA **Outgoing and Incoming State Presidents**, Debbie Morris and Dennis Wiechman; **Homeland Security and Crisis Response**, Presented by Lt. Tim Johnstone, Regional Terrorism Threat Assessment Center and Richard Shiraishi, FBI. The conference was outstanding. Congratulations to the Delta Section. For those of you who attended, we have put together a picture collage to bring back memories of the workshops and the CASCWA friendship that exists in our organization. This edition of the Intercom will end with a “Southern Section” “Save the Date” and, believe it or not, information for an “Early Bird Special” for the 2006 State Conference in Fresno!



This edition of the “Intercom” is available at: www.cascwa.org









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Registration and speaker information will be sent to all CASCWA Southern Section Members & will be also be available on CASCWA's Website at:

www.cascwa.org

This "Special Topics Conference" will focus on programs and services that feature collaborative efforts between schools and communities to promote student success. This conference will include an opportunity to network with your colleagues and be current with new changes in CWA operations.

For further information and to ensure registration, contact Jerry Hime at gjhime@earthlink.net or (714) 390-2679.



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