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Southern Section President's Report ***President Jerry Hime***

RIDING THE WAVES – TAKING IT TO THE TOP SURFIN 101 – BACK TO THE BASICS!



In the words of many “We did it!” Yes, CASCWA Southern Section hosted what I judge to be one of the most successful state conferences in recent history. Outstanding presentations; valuable materials to use in serving students; the opportunity to network with both state and section members and leaders; excellent entertainment and food; a hotel that provided an exceptional conference venue. With this formula how could we go wrong? My personal thanks to all Southern Section members who were instrumental in the success of the conference.

The Board of Directors recently developed a draft revision of the Constitution and Bylaws. The proposed changes appear elsewhere in this issue. Please review the changes and take the opportunity to vote whether they should be adopted. The amendments are intended to make Southern Section more responsive to the needs of the members.

Mark your calendars for another busy year. Plans are already underway for the continuance of our legal forums. The first will be held November 19th at **Chino Hills High School Auditorium, Chino Hills, CA**. Jack Clarke and Cathy Holmes of the law firm of Best, Best & Krieger will be speaking on child custody issues. Two more forums are tentatively scheduled for February and May.

We are always looking for Southern Section members who are interested in serving on the Board of Directors or committees. Please contact me by e-mail at gjhime@earthlink.net if you are interested.



Finally, Frank Boehler, Past CASCWA State President and I wish to thank Steve Fraire, Sherman Garnett, Beverly deBourbon, Jessie Cherri, Tom Mangione, Cathy Andrade, Victor Thompson, Dr. Ken Lorge, Patricia James and Dr. Donna Dalton Opoku-Agyeman, Ph.D. for being the greatest conference committee in the history of CASCWA.

We need your email address! In fact, we need to make sure that all Southern Section members email addresses are accurate. If you received your CASCWA Connection via email, then your email address is accurate. If you received your CASCWA Connection via U.S. mail, please contact Tom Mangione, our webmaster, with your e-mail address at tommangione@earthlink.net. We hope to communicate to all of our “CASCWA Membership” throughout the year via email!

Southern Section Scholarship Information

The Lillie Wilson Scholarship Program 2004

Patricia James, Scholarship Chairperson

The California Association of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance (CASCWA) annually awards scholarships to deserving students who have made a significant change in their academic and personal lives due to the efforts of a Child Welfare and Attendance (CWA) professional. The scholarships are named after Lillie Wilson, a legend in the field of Child Welfare and Attendance. She is now retired after serving the children in the State of California with outstanding decades of inspirational service as a nurse and as an administrator with the Los Angeles County Office of Education. She has left her mark on our profession and we are honored to associate our scholarship awards with her name and legacy.

CASCWA commends and congratulates Martha P., Kimberly S. and Christina P., recipients of the 2003-2004 CASCWA Southern Section, Lillie V. Wilson Scholarship for demonstrating strength, determination, and perseverance while overcoming adverse situations. We celebrate these young ladies for their efforts and accomplishments with a Scholarship Award in the amount of \$500 towards a continued pursuit of their educational goals. Their inspirational stories set forth the positive, reinforcing message that troubled teens are capable of turning their lives around and fulfilling their dreams.

Martha P. whose combative behavior and absenteeism led to probationary status with the courts and a placement at the Chino Valley Learning Academy, a Community Day School, successfully completed the required coursework and even managed to graduate a year early; a feat made more difficult considering that Martha is also a single teen mother, adding more responsibility to her young life. Through a cooperative support system consisting of her mother, instructors, and principal, Martha managed to stay on track and attain her goal- that is, "to be the first one in her family to graduate." Martha's future goals are to attend college so as to pursue a career as a probation officer. Her purpose is to help guide students who are faced with difficult situations. She is also intent on succeeding for the sake of herself, her son, and "to make her mother proud." Martha was nominated for a scholarship by CASCWA member Roberto Casas from Chino Unified School District.

Kimberly's obstacles stem from a lack of self-motivation, which led to excessive absences and credit deficiencies. Due to her poor attendance, Kimberly was referred to SARB and subsequently placed on probation. As a result of a life-changing event, the loss of her mother, Kimberly came to the realization that she "needed to get her head on her shoulder." Having been sent to an alternative school, Kimberly began to attend school on a daily basis and complete her assigned work, making her eligible for graduation. Kimberly plans to attend Community College after high school. Her dream is to one day open her own day care center where she will have a positive impact on youth lives. Kimberly was nominated for a scholarship by CASCWA member Elaine Anderson from Vista Unified School District.

Christina is also a teen mother who has had to grow up quickly for the sake of her child's welfare. During this time in her life, Christina made ill-advised decisions. Her attendance and academics suffered. Christina credits the District Attorney's intervention for "turning her life around for the better." Christina managed not only to graduate a year early, but also with honorable mention. Christina will attend Chaffey Community College where she will take general education courses while she decides on a major. Her goal is to transfer to a university to attain a bachelor's degree. Christina was nominated for a scholarship by CASCWA member Sherman Garnett, San Bernardino County Office of Education.

Each young lady has had to traverse difficult situations and each has demonstrated the ability to visualize and bring to fruition their objectives. To Martha, Kimberly, and Christina, we wish continued success and applaud their achievements.

Submitted by Patricia James, Scholarship Chairperson.





CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS OF
CHILD WELFARE AND ATTENDANCE
SOUTHERN SECTION PRESENTS:
**"Child Custody - Issues Related
to School Attendance"**

November 19, 2004
Chino Hills High School Auditorium
16150 Pomona Rincon Road, Chino Hills

Registration 9:30 am
Forum 10:00 am - 12:00 noon



Presented by:
Dina O. Harris and Cathy Holmes
Attorneys at Law
Best, Best & Krieger LLP

Problems arising from child custody confront school personnel on a continuing basis: residency, attendance, notifications, medical problems, special education concerns, and others. This presentation will address these issues as well as provide time for questions and answers. This seminar is presented at no charge to our members and guests.

Please complete the information below and either (1) email to gjhime@earthlink.net, (2) FAX to 714-897-3471, or mail to CASCWA Southern Section, P.O. Box 4223, Huntington Beach, CA 92605.

Registration Form – November 19, 2004 CASCWA Southern Section Legal Forum

Name and Title: _____

District/Agency: _____

Address City Zip Code

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SOUTHERN SECTION CASCWA'S FIRST LEGAL FORUM OF THE 2004/2005 SCHOOL YEAR

CASCWA Southern Section
“Save the Dates”
More Info: www.cascwa.org

Attention all CASCWA Members and Friends! You are invited to attend up-coming Southern Section CASCWA events. Your “Executive Board” has put together the following programs over the next few months. For specific information on each event, go to our CASCWA website at www.cascwa.org.



Best, Best & Krieger!
November 19, 2004
“Issues of Child Custody”
Chino Hills, CA

Jack Clarke, Best, Best, and Krieger, has been a friend to CASCWA for many years. This presentation will update our membership on strategies in addressing one of the most important daily issues facing our schools today, “Child Custody and other Parental Disputes”. The presenters will be two of the firms specialist in this field, Dina O. Harris and Cathy Holmes. The price is right. The forum is free and will last approximately two hours. The location is the Chino Hills High School Auditorium – 16150 Pomona Rincon Road – Chino Hills. Registration begins at 9:30 A.M. and the legal forum will be from 10:00 A.M -12:00 P.M.

This is a must for all new administrators and a great chance for all veteran members to refresh their skills on dealing with these difficult situations.



Jack Clarke, Dina O. Harris and Cathy Holmes are accomplished attorneys with the firm of “Best, Best and Krieger”. You may recognize Jack and Best, Best and Krieger for their numerous contributions to CASCWA. Their presentations have been well received and our membership continues to call upon them for their solid legal advice and the thoroughness of their presentations. We hope to see you in Chino Hills in November!

Other Important Dates (www.cascwa.org):

- Los Angeles County Office of Education’s “Legislative Update” – December 3, 2004
- CASCWA’s Second Legal Forum, February 5, 2005 – Paramount, California
- CASCWA’s State Conference – April 20-22, 2005 – Sacramento, California

CASCWA Southern Section

"Constitution and By Laws" Proposed Revisions

The CASCWA Southern Section Board of Directors has undertaken the task of revising the Constitution and Bylaws. The last revision took place in May 1995 and several organizational changes have occurred since that time that need to be incorporated into the document. The proposed revisions appear as follows in this issue. Please take a few minutes to review the proposal and then cast your ballot, Southern Section only, to enable the Board to complete the process. As stated in Article X, the amendments to the document require approval of the majority of the membership.

Several changes were editorial in nature only, i.e. grammatical corrections, incorrect spellings, and do not require approval. You will note that ~~strike through~~ appears in current language to be revised while new language appears in **bold print**. It should also be noted that the Board is proposing to operate under Constitution only, rather than Constitution and Bylaws. It is not necessary to have both and in the interest of clarity, it was decided to use Constitution by itself.

CONSTITUTION ~~AND BY LAWS~~

OF THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF SUPERVISORS

OF CHILD WELFARE AND ATTENDANCE

SOUTHERN SECTION

Revised May 3, 1995
Karen C. Chaffin, President, Palm Springs, California

Proposed Revisions as of September 3, 2004
Gerald J. Hime, President, Palm Springs, California

ARTICLE I _____ Name of the Organization

Section 1

The Organization shall be known as the California Association of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance, Southern Section **and herein shall be referred to as the Association.**

ARTICLE II _____ Authority

Approved by the State ~~Section of the~~ California Association of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance.

ARTICLE III _____ Purpose

The purpose of the ~~California Association of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance Southern Section~~ shall be to promote the work of Child Welfare and Attendance personnel and to raise the professional level of its members.

ARTICLE IV _____ Objectives

The ~~California Association of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance, Southern Section~~ shall:

- A. Identify and disseminate information to all members that will be helpful to them in the performance of their duties. (This information may be provided through a newsletter or by other means.)
- B. Promote the development of programs that will improve student attendance.
- C. Promote the development of a unified, all inter-agency approach, in order to work with students in the community.
- D. Promote the development of guidance and counseling programs to meet the needs of students.

- E. Participate in the development of curricular programs, which are attractive to students and thereby motivate young people to remain in school.
- F. Advocate and assist in the development and maintenance of student records in the schools and community.
- G. Develop and promote legislation that will improve services to students and members of the Association.
- H. Work with employers, labor commissioners, and others to improve services to employed students.
- I. Create an awareness among school personnel, students, families and communities, of the functions performed by Child Welfare and Attendance personnel.

ARTICLE V Organization and Membership

Section 1

The ~~Southern Section of the California Association of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance~~ is composed of the following geographical areas.

~~Area I San Diego County
Area II Riverside, San Bernardino and Imperial Counties
Area III Los Angeles Unified School District
Area IV All of the Los Angeles County, except Los Angeles Unified School District
Area V Orange County and Long Beach Unified School District
Area VI Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Kern Counties~~

Area I Coastal/Kern (Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Kern County)
Area II Los Angeles County, except Los Angeles Unified School District
Area III Los Angeles Unified School District
Area IV Inland (Riverside, San Bernardino and Imperial Counties)
Area V Orange County
Area VI San Diego County

Section 2

Active membership in the Association shall be limited to individuals presently employed or actively in pursuit of a career in the public schools of California in the fields of Child Welfare and Attendance, city, district, and county, superintendents of schools, and to other leadership personnel in city, county, and state, who have or have had administrative and/or supervisory responsibilities for Child Welfare and Attendance.

- A. Classification of Membership - Membership shall be on an individual basis. Voting privileges shall be given to those members who are current in their dues and are in good standing.
 - 1. Active Members - Actively employed Child Welfare and Attendance personnel.
 - 2. Honorary Life Members - Membership bestowed upon any person by majority vote of the Board of Directors. No dues are required.
 - ~~3. Associate Members - Membership includes Child Welfare and Attendance Paraprofessionals and persons in related fields. Dues shall be one half the dues for active members.~~
 - ~~4. Institutional Memberships will be made available to agencies and institutions including but not limited to: School districts, office of county superintendent of schools, college, and universities. Institutional membership dues shall be the same as for active members. Institutional membership shall not be transferable to an individual.~~
 - 3. Retired Members – Members who maintained active membership in the Association prior to retirement and have all the rights and privileges of Active Members. Dues shall be one half the dues for active members.**
- B. Honorary Life Members pay no dues and have all the rights and privileges of Active Members, except the right to vote and hold office.
- C. ~~Associate Members have all the rights and privileges of Active Members, but do not vote or hold office.~~
- C. Members, upon payment of dues, shall become immediately eligible to vote and hold office.

Section 3

The membership year shall be ~~from June 1 to May 31~~ **on an annual basis from the date of enrollment.**

Section 4

Membership dues shall be ~~\$30.00 for the Association dues levied; individual sections. This sum is a combined sum and must be collected as one amount.~~ **levied by the State Association.** Sixty percent (60%) of ~~each~~ **the** membership dues shall be ~~forwarded~~

to ~~retained by~~ the State Association Treasury; forty percent (40%) shall be ~~retained by~~ **forwarded to** the individual section of the association. This pertains to Active Associate and Institutional Memberships.

ARTICLE VI _____ Governing Body

Section 1 - Governing Bodies

The ~~California Association of Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance, Southern Section~~, shall consist of two governing bodies, the Executive Committee and the ~~Executive~~ Board of Directors.

Section 2 - Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the elected officers and the immediate Past-President. Meetings shall be called by the President at whose discretion additional representatives may be invited.

Vacancies on the Executive Committee, with the exception of the President, shall be filled by appointment of the President with the approval of a **majority** of the remaining members of the Executive Committee. Such appointees shall hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term. The President-Elect shall succeed to the office of President in case of a vacancy in that office.

Section 3 - ~~Executive~~ Board of Directors

The ~~Executive~~ Board of Directors, hereafter referred to as the Board, shall be composed of the members of the Executive Committee, Members-at-Large, Area Representatives, and chairpersons of all standing committees who are appointed by the President, with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Meetings of the Board shall be scheduled on a monthly basis during the school year. All meetings are open to current members of ~~CASCWA, Southern Section~~ **the association**. Only Board members shall be eligible to vote. A simple majority shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VII _____ Officers, Elections, Duties

Section 1

The elected officers shall be President, President-Elect, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2

The election of officers shall take place by mail ballots, **via U.S. mail or email**, of members paid up as of March 1, before the last section meeting of the ~~current~~ school year. ~~Officers shall hold office for one year or until successors qualify.~~ Officers thus elected, shall take office at the close of the last Section meeting of the current school year and shall serve two year terms of office.

Section 3

Each of the six geographical areas in Southern Section shall have ~~two~~ a voting representatives, appointed by the President, with the approval of the Executive Committee. To assure continuity, each person will serve for a two year period.

~~Los Angeles Unified School District will have one representative from each of the five administrative regions of the district, representing two votes total for the district as area representatives.~~

Section 4

The President, Past President, President-Elect, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall perform the duties regularly assigned to such offices.

Section 5

The President shall preside at all meetings of the **Executive Committee and the Board of Directors** and shall perform all duties usually assigned to a President.

- A. The President shall appoint two (2) auditors at the final ~~Executive~~ **Board of Directors** meeting to audit the books of the treasurer.
- B. ~~The President shall appoint, subject to approval of the Executive Board, a Newsletter Editor or Co-Editors, who shall serve as members of the Executive Board.~~
- B.** The President shall appoint, subject to approval of the ~~Executive~~ **Board of Directors**, Chairpersons of all standing and special committees.
- C. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees with the exception of the Nominating Committee.
- D. The President shall be empowered to sign checks in payment of bills as authorized by the ~~Executive~~ **Board of Directors** in lieu of the Treasurer, if for any reason it is not possible or expeditious for the Treasurer to do so. In such cases, a single signature shall be sufficient.

Section 6

The President-Elect shall serve as Chairperson of the Program Committee, which will develop all workshops and conferences to be presented yearly. The President-Elect shall also serve as Chairperson of the Constitution Revision Committee, which shall consist of ~~three area representatives and any others~~ **members** appointed by the President. The President-Elect shall preside at meetings when the President is absent.

Section 7

~~The Vice President shall serve as Chairperson of the Membership Committee. This committee will consist of the Treasurer and all Area Representatives. This committee will develop the plans for recruitment and membership.~~

Section 8-7

The Secretary shall:

- A. Act as Secretary to ~~the Association and Executive Board~~ **Executive Committee and the Board of Directors** and shall record the minutes of each meeting. These minutes shall be retained as permanent records of the Association.
- B. Furnish all members of the Executive Board with a copy of the minutes of each meeting.
- ~~C. Serve as an ex-officio member of the Membership Committee and perform all duties stipulated in the By-Laws of the Association.~~
- C. Be responsible for coordinating all Association elections.

Section 9-8

The Treasurer shall:

- A. Maintain and disburse all funds, pay all bills and be prepared to give a report on the financial condition of the funds of the association at each meeting of the Executive Board.
- B. Deposit all funds of the Association in a bank authorized by the Executive Board.
- ~~C. Pay all bills.~~
- ~~D. C. Serve as a member of the Membership Committee and perform such duties connected with this committee as stipulated in the By-Laws of the Association.~~
- ~~E. C.~~ The Treasurer shall prepare and submit a proposed budget to the Executive Board, at its first meeting in September.

Section 10-9

Memberships-at-large shall be appointed by the President to serve in an advisory capacity to the ~~Executive Board of Directors~~ and shall have voting rights.

ARTICLE VIII _____ Standing Committees

There shall be nine standing committees of the Association, namely: 4. **A. Legislative;** ~~2. B. Nominating;~~ ~~3. Membership;~~ ~~4. Professional Standards;~~ ~~5. Public Relations;~~ **6. C. School Attendance Review Board;** ~~7. Student Rights and Responsibilities;~~ ~~8. Para Professionals;~~ ~~9. Life Membership.~~ **D. Scholarship; E. Newsletter**

- A. The Legislative Committee is responsible for informing the membership about new and proposed legislation affecting welfare and attendance.
- B. The Nominating Committee shall prepare a slate of officers to be submitted to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall present the slate to the membership.
- ~~C. The Membership Committee shall provide leadership in cooperation with Area Representatives, in stimulating membership in the Association and assist the Treasurer in every way possible in the collection of dues.~~
- ~~D. The Professional Standards Committee shall be responsible for keeping membership informed about professional needs and standards, in the areas of pupil personnel services, as they relate to Child Welfare and Attendance.~~
- ~~E. The Public Relations Committee is responsible for leadership in internal and external communications.~~
- C. The School Attendance Review Board Committee shall respond to membership concerns and informational needs regarding due process, student rights, school/parent rights, student responsibilities, school/parent responsibilities, and other such data and guidelines needed to clarify and provide leadership in these areas. The committee will further provide information and publication of documents and reports to assist members to develop programs in taking the leadership in this area.
- ~~D. The Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee shall address current issues, recent court decisions and issues of individual rights. In addition, this committee shall promote responsible citizenship.~~

- ~~E. The Paraprofessional Committee shall assist the Association by strongly supporting the paraprofessional personnel.~~
- ~~F. The Life Membership Committee shall identify members and provide appropriate recognition for recipients at the appropriate function. Shall maintain active registers of those awarded Honorary Life Memberships.~~
- D. **The Scholarship Committee shall solicit from members nominations of high school seniors who have overcome adversity within their homes, schools, or communities and are on track to graduate successfully from their respective high schools or alternative programs. From these nominations, final selections will be made and awarded scholarships to be used for their post-secondary education. The scholarships, in the form of financial awards, will be forwarded to the recipients upon evidence of enrollment in these post-secondary programs.**
- E. **The Newsletter Committee shall be responsible for the collection and selection of articles and other materials for publication in the section newsletter, The CASCWA Connection.**

The Chairperson of each of these Standing Committees and such other special committees as authorized, are directly responsible to the President and the ~~Executive Board~~ **of Directors**. The Chairperson shall also be responsible at the end of the year for presenting to the President, a summary of the Committee accomplishments and any suggestions and recommendations.

The Nominating Committee shall be chaired by the immediate Past-President and shall consist of two representatives of the ~~Executive Board~~ **of Directors**.

ARTICLE IX _____ Rules of Order

Section 1

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall govern the Association ~~in all cases to which they were~~ as applicable.

ARTICLE X _____ Amending the Constitution

Section 1

The Constitution ~~and Bylaws~~ may be amended by a majority of the Association's membership, voting on ballots sent to each member by the Secretary of the Association **or published in the Association newsletter.**

Section 2

Immediately following any amendment or revision of the Constitution ~~and Bylaws~~, the Secretary shall be responsible ~~for the printing and distribution of as many copies of the revised Constitution and Bylaws as are necessary for the officers and Executive Board members.~~ **the posting of the revised Constitution and preservation thereof.**

~~Distribution should also be made to the general membership.~~ The revised copy of the Constitution and Bylaws shall bear: the date of the revision; the name of the Association President on that date; and the location of the ~~Executive Board~~ **of Directors** meeting where the revisions were declared official.

FOR CASCWA SOUTHERN SECTION MEMBERS ONLY **CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS REVISION – BALLOT**

_____ I am in favor of the proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of CASCWA Southern Section.

_____ I am not in favor of the proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws of CASCWA Southern Section.

Signed: _____

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PLEASE RETURN BY DECEMBER 1, 2004

SAN DIEGO CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Wednesday, April 28, 2004

“THE ACADEMY”

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CASCWA is deeply indebted to Atkinson, Andelson, Lloyd, Ruud and Romo for presenting and sponsoring the “CASCWA Academy” at our “2004 State Conference.” In particular, we were exceptionally pleased with the quality of the presentations given to our membership by Karen Gilyard, Partner; Todd Goluba, Esq.; and Aaron V.O'Donnell, Esq. They were outstanding!



The session began with opening remarks from Jerry Hime, CASCWA Southern Section President and Frank Boehler, CASCWA State President. Phil Kauble contributed with a brief history of the publication, “California Laws Relating to Minors”, a

“must” publication for all CWA offices.

The law firm’s program was entitled “Surfin 101 – Back to the Basics.” The membership was in for a treat as they received specific information on “NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND,” STUDENT DISCIPLINE (INCLUDING “WHO WANTS TO BE A DISCIPLINE MILLIONAIRE?,” “OVERVIEW OF THE STUDENT DISCIPLINE PROCESS,” “STUDENT DISCIPLINE 2004,” “PRESENTING AND DECINDING THE CASE,” “RETENTION AND DESTRUCTION OF STUDENT RECORDS,” AND AB 490, Foster Youth Legislation.

Thank you Atkinson, Andelson, Lloyd, Ruud and Romo! Thank you Karen, Todd and Aaron!





SAN DIEGO CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, April 29, 2004

"CONFERENCE DAY 1"

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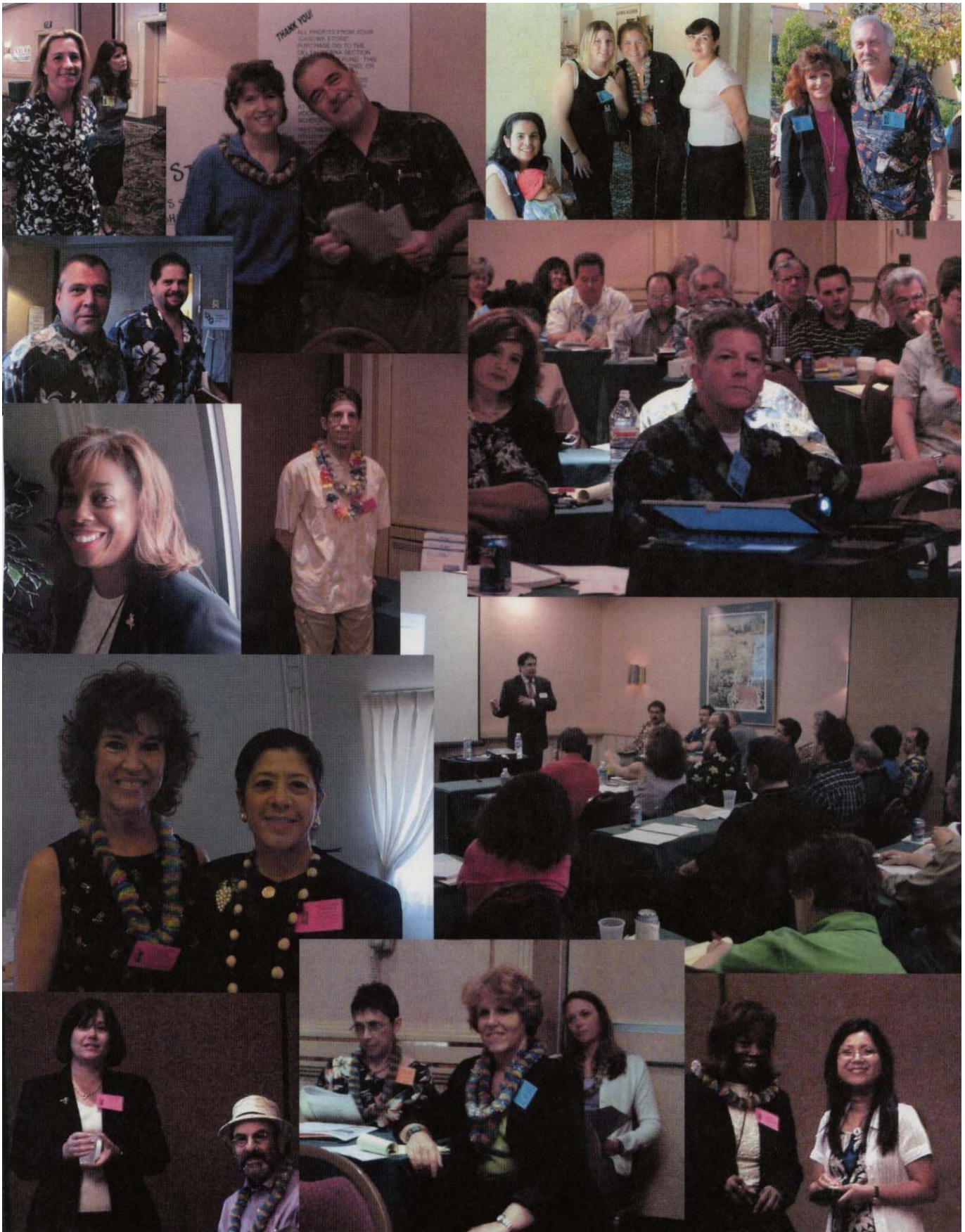


MC Solutions is currently updating its organization and is changing its name! (see article in the Intercom) CASCWA is grateful to MC Solutions for its sponsorship of the conference, including the tremendous installation luncheon at the San Diego Mission Marriott. They are also providing our membership with timely and valuable information in this month's CASCWA Intercom on the topic of Truancy Rates. They have an efficient and effective process to address the "Must Do" topic of truancy notification. Please go to their website or call 916.669.5144 for more information. A special thank you to Rebecca Eigenman for representing MC Solutions and for her excellent presentation entitled, "MANDATED COSTS: NO CLAIM! NO GAIN!"

Day one began with: Welcoming comments from ● Claudette Inge, Assistant Superintendent, San Diego County Office of Education. The day's program included: ● Beverly LeMay, Hate Speech – Free Speech, from the Simon Wiesenthal Museum of Tolerance Educational Programs; ● John Burton and Frank Hosteller, Fontana Unified School District, advantages of central enrollment in the area of attendance, Academic performance and financial support; ● Melanie Peterson, Lozano Smith, Attorneys at Law, Answering the questions that parents ask you; ● Bill Ybarra, Los Angeles COE, Teaching alternative behaviors schoolwide (TABS); ● Karen Saunders, Los Angeles USD, Improving attendance in elementary and secondary schools; ● Tracie Fried, San Diego COE, Ana Lucilla Espana, Public Defender's Office San Diego County, Foster youth education: It is our responsibility, know the law and how to best implement them (AB490), and ● Sherman Garnett, San Bernardino COE. Everything you always wanted to know about student records, but were afraid to ask.

The second session of day one included: ● Mike Darnold, Dr. Max Schneider, and Duane Durst of Chapman Medical Center, Positive Action Center, (Double Session) "Losing ADA or losing the youth of America; ● Christopher Keeler and Gretchen Shipley, Lozano Smith's Attorneys at Law, Investigating and Evaluating Threats of Violence; ● Clark Morrow and Michelle Kopp, San Bernardino Sheriff's Department, Operation CleanSWEEP; ● Phil Kauble and Robert Jacobsen, LACOE, Expulsions: Critical issues relating to county scope of review; ● Dr. Laurie Reck, SDCOE Information Systems and Jeffery Harris, Docufide Inc, Electronic Delivery of Student Records; and ● Paul Croulet and Michele Quintana, Institute for Conflict Management Orange County Saint Vincent de Paul, Keeping Kids in School Program.



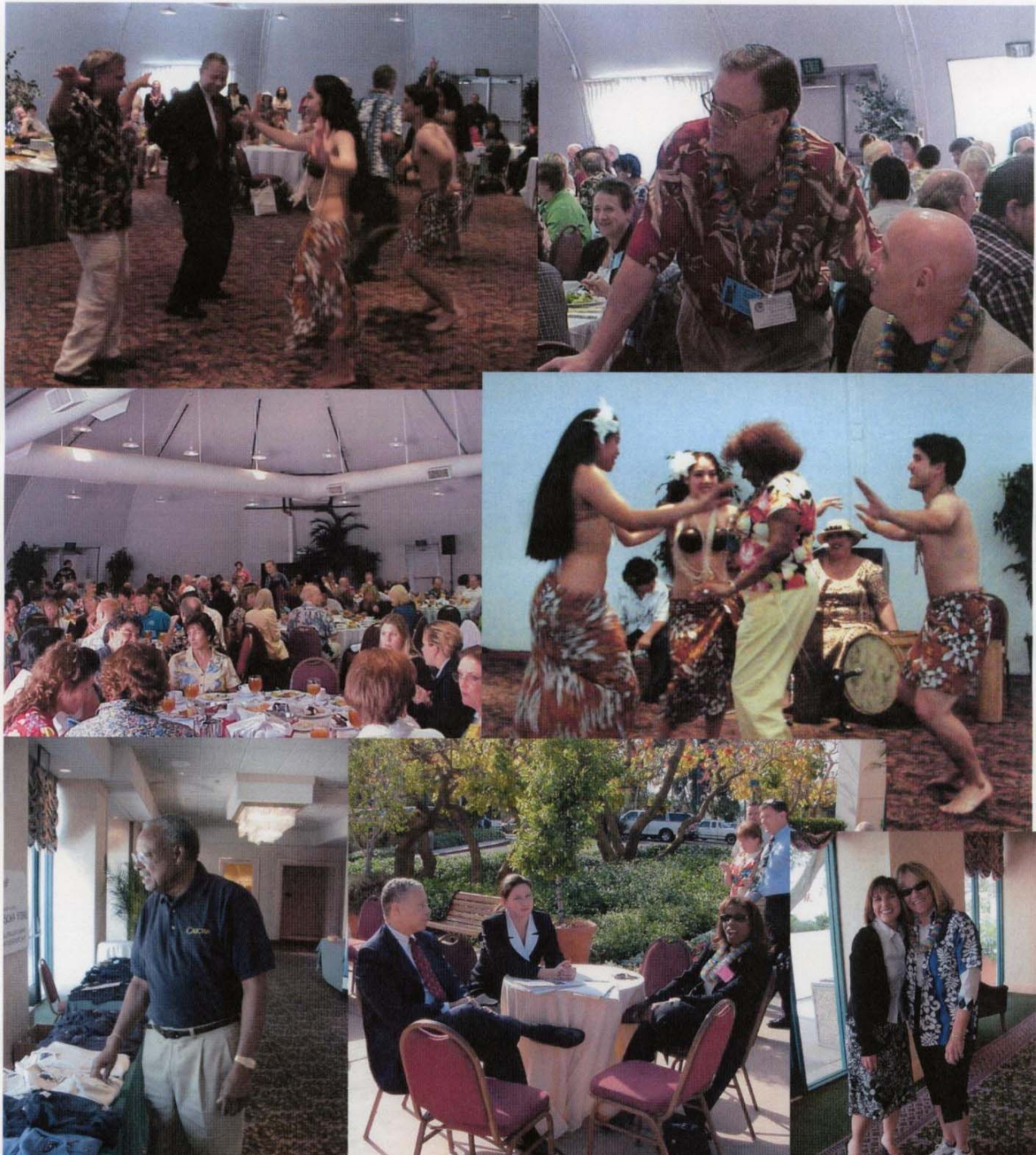




The afternoon session included: ● Jack Clarke and Dina O. Harris, Best, Best & Krieger, Attorneys at Law (Sponsor of the CASCWA President's/Retiree's Reception). No Child Left Behind – Legal Perspective; ● Cami Berry, Fontana USD, Guidance Services – Making a Difference; ● Dr. Michel Pines, LACOE and Dr. Sara Sherer, USC Keck School of Medicine and Children's Hospital of Los Angeles, Youth Suicide: Cries for help and voices from the grave; ● Jonathan P. Read, Lozano Smith, Attorney at Law, Dangerous Students: Special Education Discipline; ● Loretta Middleton, San Diego COE, Aftermath Response Workshop; and ● Marcino Garza, San Bernardino County Schools, Verbal Judo.



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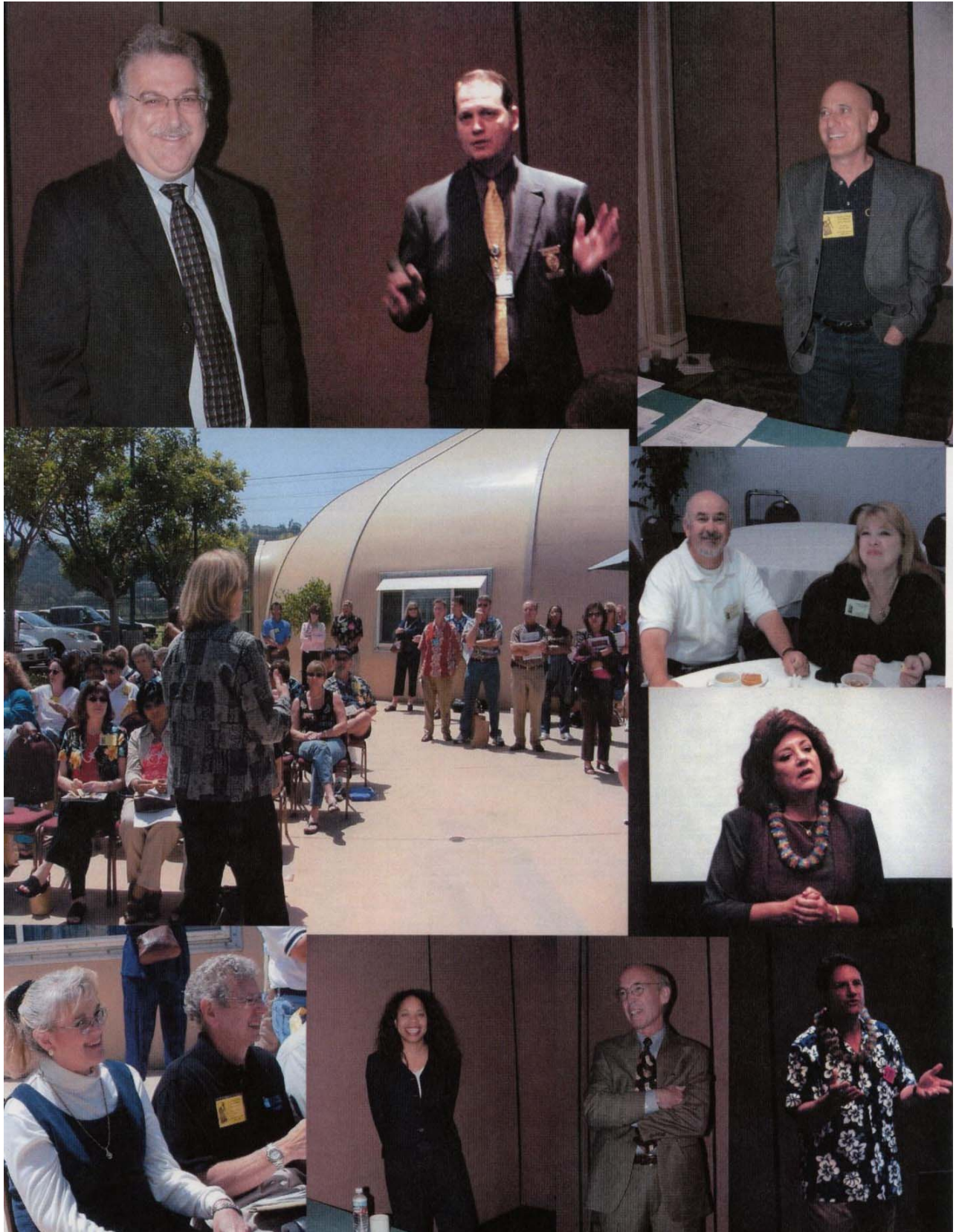
Day Two included: ● Dale Parent and Jeannie Penner, Chula Vista Elementary School District, Reducing Lost ADA through Health Services, An innovative grant; ● Ron Wenkart, Chief Legal Counsel, O.C.D.E., Council's perspective on AB 490 and other issues; ● Joe Brucia, Merced Union High School District and Brian Bennet, San Diego city Schools, NCLB for CWA's – Choice, Dangerous Schools; ● John Zamora, Hacienda La Puente Unified School District, Dare to discipline: A progressive discipline approach; ● Dr. Jamillah Moore, LACOE Governmental Relations, Sherman Garnett, San Bernardino COE and Joe Taylor, Sacramento COE,

Sacramento CWA Update; ● David Kopperud, CDE, Dr. Victor Thompson, LACOE, Kevin Piggee, Los Angeles County Probation, and Christine Von Helmolt, Deputy District Attorney, Los Angeles County, Strategies to improve SARB effectiveness and comply with NCLB.



The second session included: ● Lois Baer, Deputy District Attorney, Santa Clara County, Truancy prosecution; ● Bruce Miller, Victor Valley UHSD, Keeping your home and hospital program healthy; ● Detective Jerry Stratton, San Diego Police Department, Hate on the internet – Children Vulnerability; ● Lilli Miles, San Bernardino County Department of Children Services, Because it shouldn't hurt to be a child – Understanding mandated reporting law and child abuse; and ● Dr. Roberto Casas, Chino Valley USD, Child Welfare & Attendance and home schooling in California.

The conference conclude comments from Ms. Debbie Morris, our new State CASCWA President.





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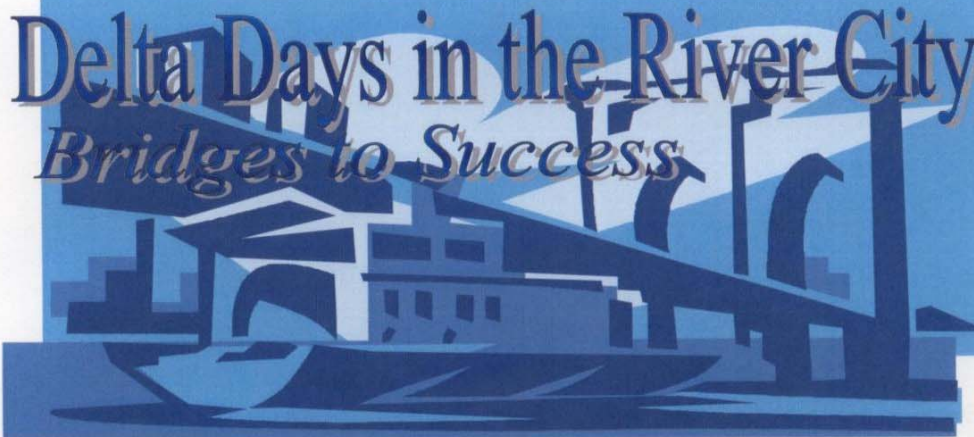


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Jerry Hime Presented 2004 CASCWA's Lee Lundberg Award

Gerald J. Hime is an Educational Consultant in private practice. At the time of his retirement in August 2003, he was the Consultant-in-Charge with the Los Angeles County Office of Education, with the Attendance and Administrative Unit of the Division of Student Support Services. Prior to this assignment he was the Due Process/Client's Rights consultant with the Special Education Division.

While with the Attendance and Administrative Unit, Mr. Hime provided consultative services to school districts and parents relative to attendance, suspension and expulsion, interdistrict permits, special education placements and services. He conducted workshops and trainings on suspensions and expulsion, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), The Vocational Rehabilitation Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and Student Study Teams. He served as a hearing officer and panel member for interdistrict attendance permit appeals and expulsion appeals, developing the findings-of-fact and conclusions for submission to the Board of Education. As the Due Process/Clients Rights consultant he participated in due process hearings and investigated complaints of civil rights violations, submitting the findings to the Office for Civil Rights.



Jerry Hime has been a special day class teacher, a site principal of special education programs, and a Director of Special Education which included the responsibility of Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) Director. He is an Adjunct Professor at California State University, Fullerton, and the University of San Diego.

Jerry Hime earned his Bachelor of Arts in Fine Arts and Master of Arts in Special Education from California State University, Los Angeles. He has completed post graduate work in administration and policy studies at the University of California, Los Angeles.

Jerry Hime is a Past President of The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), the largest international organization of professionals and paraprofessionals serving children and youth with exceptional needs and the gifted and talented. During his presidency he was asked to testify before Congress on the reauthorization of IDEA. He chaired the Public Policy and Legislation Committee of the Council of Administrators of Special Education (CASE), a Division of CEC. He is currently serving as treasurer of the California Administrators and Supervisors of Child Welfare and Attendance (CASCWA) as well as President of CASCWA-Southern Section. He also maintains memberships in the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) and the California Association of Pupil Personnel Administrators (CAPPA). In 2002 he was named a "Fellow" to the Shaklee Foundation for the Improvement of Special Education. He is a member of the Board of Advisors to the *IDEA Compliance Insider*, Brownstone Publishers, Inc. New York, NY. Mr. Hime also is a member of the Board of Directors of Special Olympics Southern California and is active with the Special Olympics Orange County.



Jerry Hime is CASCWA's "Big Kahuna" for 2004.

2004 CASCWA's Bay Section Award

Ron Kinninger



Ron Kinninger, Director of Child Welfare and Attendance for the Pajaro Valley Unified School District was the CASCWA Bay Section Award Winner for 2004. Ron has been a long-time, faithful Bay Section CASCWA member. Ron has rarely missed a CASCWA event, has several times been a presenter, has brought non-members to events, and has provided valuable input and assistance, including bartending at conferences! He served on our Monterey conference planning committee and was going to be a presenter until he ran into a deer while riding his bike! Ron made sure though, that the team from Pajaro Valley still made a wonderful presentation. Ron has a wealth of ideas and has been a strong CWA leader in his

district and county. Way to go Ron and thanks! Ron was unable to attend the State Conference; accepting the award on his behalf was Frank Acojido.

2004 CASCWA Delta- Sierra Section Award

Bob Kruse

Delta Sierra Section Award Winner was Mr. Bob Kruse. The Delta-Sierra Section has been so fortunate to have Bob Kruse as part of our Board and was honored to present him with our Section Award for 2003-04. Bob is beginning his 30th year in the California Education system, spending the last 14 years as the Director of Student Services for the Yuba City Unified School District.

Prior to that, he was an elementary school principal and middle school principal for Yuba City Unified. He spent 4 years in Klamath Trinity as a teaching principal and 6 years in Cupertino as a special education teacher. Bob also taught high school in New York and Florida. In his spare time, Bob owned a fly-fishing store in Yuba City for almost 8 years.

Bob plans to retire in the next 1-2 years (sadly for CASCWA) and spend his time with his beautiful wife of 35 years who is a gifted artist, his 3 grown children and 4 grandchildren. He also plans to fish the rivers of the world, stopping at a few art museums along the way. Congratulations Bob!



2004 CASCWA's Southern Section Award Tom Mangione

Tom Mangione is CASCWA's MVP to both "Southern Section" and to "State CASCWA". He is our webmaster, the man behind the scenes, and one of the hardest working individuals in Southern Section. Much of CASCWA success is directly related to Tom's hard work. Recently, the State CASCWA Executive Board has expanded to include Tom Mangione, the Webmaster. In addition, Tom will be taking over our membership data base and centralizing data throughout CASCWA.

Tom Mangione is recognized as a Los Angeles Unified School District "PSA Counselor". Tom's duties in his district are varied and extensive. His performance is superior in every manner. Many times he goes "above and beyond the call-of-duty" in terms of his time and effort. He cares a great deal about students and their families and he is uncompromising in his quest to help students attend school on a regular basis. Tom's extensive knowledge base allows him to carefully adhere to legal mandates and District policies pertaining to child welfare and attendance issues. He does an exemplary job of educating students and their families on laws related to compulsory education. His colleagues as well as school site, local, and central administrators, frequently consult with him as a resource. Tom has developed successful partnerships between his local district, law enforcement, probation, and other community based agencies and organizations. For example, he has led the East Los Angeles Inter-Agency Group and has coordinated a multi-agency truancy sweep. These collaborations have enabled him to link students and their families to appropriate resources.

Tom possesses excellent human relation skills. He is a team member who interfaces well with others. He excels at training, motivating, and guiding staff. He routinely provides new training and orientation to new Pupil Services Attendance Counselors. He is also a highly valued member and active participant in SARB. Tom possesses highly proficient computer skills and he is always available and willing to help others. He is the "king" of Student Information Services and all other computer programs. He has worked on the district's PSA web page. Every month he provides all secondary schools in the area with an in-seat attendance graph. School administrators report that they have found these graphs to be extremely helpful and beneficial to them.

Tom is currently serving as the Past President of the "Association of Pupil Services and Attendance Counselors". Tom has all the professional and personal qualities of an effective child welfare and attendance advocate. CASCWA is proud of Tom Mangione!



***2004 CASCWA's San Joaquin Section Award will be being
presented in October of 2004. The winner was announced, but the
presentation is a secret and will be in our next Intercom!***

CLASS OF 2004 - RETIREES

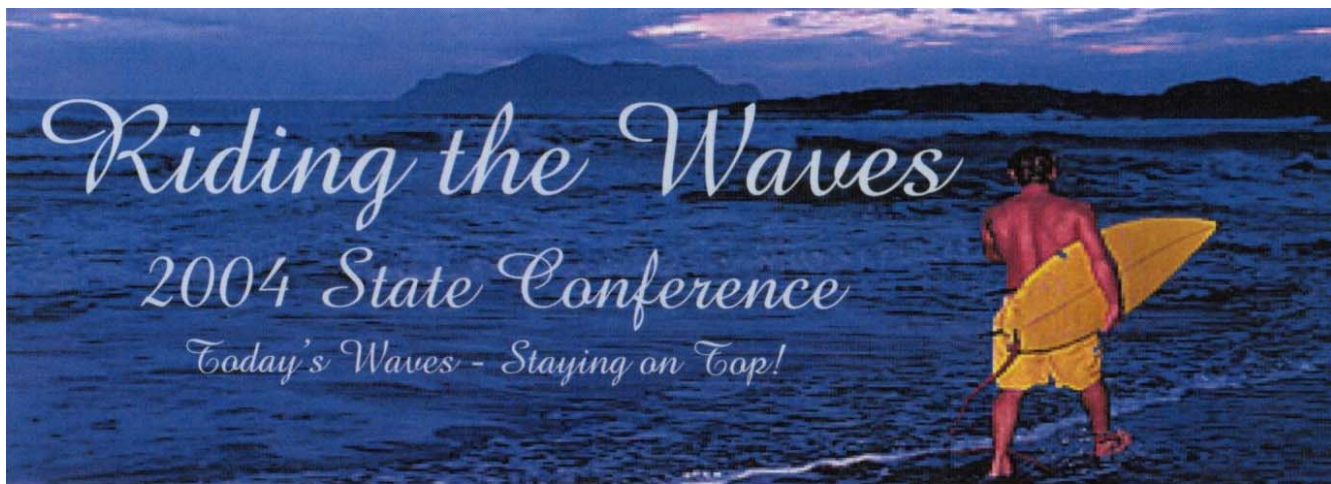
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