

CALIFORNIA STATE RETIREES



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CSR 2024 Election Results & Updates!

Members of California State Retirees in all chapters except 1, 8, 10 & 21 cast ballots to choose their representatives for chapter officer positions and for delegates at CSEA's General Council and CSR's Delegate Assembly. There were no contested races in Chapters 1, 8, 10 & 21 so no balloting material was sent out in these chapters. Each chapter is allotted one delegate for every 200 members or major fraction thereof. The delegate count per chapter is based on the number of chapter members in good standing 120 days prior to Delegate Assembly. Listed on pages 2 and 8 are your newly elected chapter officers and delegates. *Subject to any election protests. On May 21, ballots in the CSR Chapter Officer and Delegates Election were sorted and electronically counted by California Elections Company (CEC), the same union vendor CSR has used for previous chapter elections. The nomination period ended on February 28 and candidates then had until March 26 to submit a candidate statement. Ballots for contested races were mailed April 22 and the deadline to return ballots was May 20. The ballot count took several hours and once the final tallies were in, CSR members had officially voted on their new chapter officers and delegates. You can find election results on pages 2 and 8. For any questions, please call CSR HQ at 888.808.7197 or 916.326.4292 or email CSRInfo@CalRetirees.org

CALIFORNIA STATE RETIREES

2024 STATEWIDE OFFICERS ELECTION

CANDIDATE CONSENT FORM

PLEASE PRINT FULL NAME AS IT IS TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT

I, _____, self-nominate and/or consent to be a

Candidate for the office(s) of _____ /Delegate

Name Chapter No: Last 4 SS# or Member ID #

Address: City: Zip Code:

Telephone No: E-mail:

Candidates may submit a brief, factual, biographical statement of no more than **200-words** regarding their qualifications. Such biographical statements must be received in the Corporate Office by **August 15, 2024**, to be printed in the September 2024 CSR newspaper. The contents of these statements must be in accordance with approved guidelines.

By signing below, I certify I am a member in good standing and that I understand I cannot engage in an incompatible act (as defined in CSEA Bylaws Article XV, Section 1) such as simultaneously holding a CSR office and an office within a competing organization.

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A Statewide Officers Election will be held at Delegate Assembly on October 22, 2024, in Sacramento. Delegates present and voting will elect the President, Executive Vice President, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer/Secretary for a new three-year term. Nominations are currently being accepted and any active member in good standing is eligible to run for office. If you are interested in running for a statewide officer position, cut out this form, complete it and submit it to CSR headquarters. If you would like your 200-word candidate statement published in the September 2024 CSR newspaper, submit both your candidate form and 200-word statement to CSR headquarters by August 15, 2024. Contact Headquarters by phone

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CSRInfo@CalRetirees.org with any questions.

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2024 ELECTION

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Nathan Johnson-Vice President
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Rose Greeff-Secretary

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Diane Welsh
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Sherry Yamazumi
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CHAPTER 3

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Delegates

Stephen McVeigh
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Lorna Hill
Billie Feliciano
Clarice K. Moody
Gary F. Adams Alt. 1
Patricia Nguyen Alt. 2
Lily Gee Alt. 3

CHAPTER 4

Marta V. Zaragoza -President
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Emma Johnson-Treasurer
Virginia Griffin-Secretary

Delegates

Marta Zaragoza
Emma Johnson
Sheila Woods
Virginia Griffin
Cynthia L. Frison
Sandra Williams
Patricia Williams
Alan V. Constantino Alt. 1
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Delores Cousar Alt. 3

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Diane M. Padilla-President
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Anita McCabe
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Korryn Koplen
Tom L. Hill
Martha O. Acevedo Alt. 1
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J. Dee Stoddard-President
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Yolanda Ornelas-Secretary

Delegates

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Frank Ornelas
Erlinda Ochoa
Yolanda Ornelas
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Harry (Sonny) Gillespie
J.W. (Jay) Jimenez
Maryanne Ennis
Steven Downs
Beto Hernandez
Kim Curry Goldsby
Robert Humphrey
Karen Hight
Edward M. Lopez Alt. 1
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Samuel Jurado Alt. 3
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Ramon Rodriguez Alt. 5
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Kofi Atta-Acquah Alt. 7

CHAPTER 8

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Delegates

Veronica Avila
Patti Falk
Steven Avila

CHAPTER 9

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Donna Hernandez
Maria Vasquez Bauer
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Joe Chacon
Sandra Garcia
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Gloria Lenard
Jose Medina
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Delegates

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Claudine Edwards-McDougall
Marcia Mason-Wilson
Abraham Mendoza
Gorgianna (Gigi) Subilosky
Lucy Hunt
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Elizabeth McKim Alt. 3
Jose Gutierrez Alt. 4
Joyce Jarrett Alt. 5
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Barbara Griffin
Stephanie Pryzbeski-Gilbert
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Blanca Rodriguez Alt. 2
Eloise Adams Alt. 3
Janice S. Beller Alt. 4

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Audrey Sandeen
Georgene Gibson
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Delegates

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Diana King
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Richard L. Gowins Alt. 3

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Lieutenant Coopwood-Treasurer

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Joann Stewart
George E. Cornell Jr.
Diane Berg
John M. Erickson
Robin Dolan
Chris N. Turney
Shari Lynn Goodwin Alt. 1
W. Bruce Lee Alt. 2
Lieutenant Coopwood Alt. 3
George Magnuson Alt. 4

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Hyacinth Anyaso
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Tuyet-Mai Huynh-Sybrant Alt. 3
Floridel Valera Alt. 4

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Delegates

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Elaine Edwards-Yahraus
Otis Tidwell
Gaspar Luna Oliveira
Susie Leon
Cessaly D. Hutchinson
Linda M. Beuchat
Mary A. Elerding

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SAVVY SENIOR

Savvy Senior: Long-Term Care Benefits for Veterans and Surviving Spouses

*Dear Savvy Senior,
I understand that the Veterans Administration has a benefit that can help veterans and spouses with long-term care costs. We recently had to move my elderly father into an assisted living memory care facility, and my mother will probably need care too in the near future. What can you tell me?
Searching for Aid*

Dear Searching,

The Veterans Administration (VA) does indeed have an underutilized benefit that can help wartime veterans and their surviving spouses pay for a variety of long-term care costs.

This benefit, called “Aid and Attendance,” is a special pension that’s paid on top of existing VA pensions for eligible veterans and surviving spouses. In 2024, it pays a maximum of \$2,727 a month to married veterans; \$2,300 a month to single veterans; or \$1,478 a month to a surviving spouse. The money is tax free, and can be used to pay for assisted living, memory care, nursing home or in-home care services. Currently, around 156,000 veterans and survivors are receiving the Aid and Attendance benefit, but many thousands more are eligible who either don’t know about it or don’t think they qualify.

Eligibility Requirements

To qualify, your dad must have served at least 90 days of active

military service with at least one day of service during a period of war, and not have been discharged dishonorably. Single surviving spouses of wartime vets are eligible if their marriage ended due to death. In addition, your dad will also have to meet certain thresholds for medical and financial need to be eligible.



To qualify medically he must be either disabled, or over the age of 65 and need help performing basic everyday living tasks such as eating, bathing, dressing or going to the bathroom. Being blind or in a nursing home due to disability or receiving Social Security Disability or SSI also qualifies him. Single surviving spouses have no age restrictions, but they must require help with basic everyday living tasks to be eligible.

To qualify financially your parents

“net worth,” which includes assets and annual income combined, must be below \$155,356 in 2024. To calculate this, add up your parent’s assets, which includes their personal property (like investments, real estate, etc.) excluding their primary home and vehicles. And tally up their income over the past year (including Social

Security, pensions, interest income from investments, annuities, etc.), minus any out-of-pocket medical expenses, prescription drugs, insurance premiums and long-term care costs over that same period of time. The VA also has a three-year lookback to determine if your parents transferred any assets to ensure they would qualify for benefits. If so, they may be subject to a penalty period of up to 5 years.

How to Apply

To apply for Aid and Attendance,



Send your senior questions to:
Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443
Norman, OK 73070
or visit [SavvySenior.org](https://www.SavvySenior.org)

you’ll need to fill out VA Form 21-2680 and mail it to the Pension Management Center (PMC) for your dad’s state. You’ll need to have your dad’s doctor fill out the examination information section. Or you can also apply in person at a VA regional office near your parents. For more information or to download application forms see [VA.gov/pension/aid-attendance-housebound](https://www.VA.gov/pension/aid-attendance-housebound). You can also call the VA at 800-827-1000 if you have questions. If you need some help, you can appoint a Veteran Service Officer (VSO), a VA-accredited attorney or claims agent to represent your dad. See [VA.gov/ogc/apps/accreditation/index.asp](https://www.VA.gov/ogc/apps/accreditation/index.asp) to locate someone. If your dad is eligible, it can take months for his application to be processed, so be patient. You should also know that if your dad’s Aid and Attendance application is approved, the VA will send a lump sum retroactive payment covering the time from the day you filed the application until the day it was approved. Then your dad receives monthly payments going forward.

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Do you receive chapter meeting invitations in your email?

Many CSR chapters use email to promote their events. We encourage members to stay informed with CSR through email. Our emails provide news about your pension and healthcare benefits, as well as information about chapter events. To find an email invitation to an upcoming chapter meeting, check your inbox and spam folder. If you find a chapter meeting invitation in your spam folder, you can prevent further invitations from falling into spam by selecting the message and marking it as “not spam.”

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TO YOUR HEALTH



By Joe Reynoso, Chair, CSR Health Benefits Committee

Below are updates on 1) Delta Dental, 2) the Blue Shield/ Providence Contract, 3) the UC/Anthem Contract, 4) Optum Rx Mail Order and addresses a member's concern under "Ask HBC."

Delta Dental:

CSR staff and I have remained committed to work with CalHR to determine how and where improvements can be made to the dental benefits for retired members. As a result of our interactions with CalHR, we received a letter from their Director providing an update of their conversations with Delta Dental. In the letter, Director Eraina Ortega pointed out "In California, approximately 78% of all licensed dentists are contracted with Delta Dental PPO & Premier networks of which 60% participate in the Delta Dental PPO network." Director Ortega also pointed out, "The State currently has 94% of its members utilizing a contracted dentist under the Delta Dental plans." I did not include the entire text of the letter received from Director Ortega, but I want members to have the opportunity to read it. Please visit the news section of our website (www.calretirees.org), to view the contents.

As previously reported, I worked with CSR staff to develop a survey, which was sent to all CSR members with a current email on file. This was done to give members an opportunity to convey their experiences with Delta Dental

and for us to see, with actual data, the scope of the problem with Delta Dental. Although we get a lot of complaints through email and phone calls.

Your input to the survey is important and beneficial. CSR will continue to stay engaged with CalHR and work to find solutions and/or options to benefit our members. Lastly, if you are still wondering if you were impacted by the Delta Dental data breach and have not been contacted by Delta Dental, you can call them at **(888) 899-3734** and ask them to verify if you were impacted.

Blue Shield/Providence Contract:

On April 15, 2024, CalPERS notified Stakeholders via email that "the contract between Blue Shield and Providence St. Joseph Health System is set to expire on May 31, 2024 and although negotiations are continuing, health plans are obliged to notify members of the potential termination." This matter only affected Basic plan members. I contacted CalPERS to get an update on the contract negotiations and was informed they were successful and a new contract was signed. Great news for our Blue Shield Basic plan members who seek treatment through the Providence system.

UC/Anthem Contract Update:

Anthem Blue Cross and UC Health have continued to work on the new contract language for 2024, which would allow members enrolled in PERS Platinum, PERS Gold, Anthem Blue Cross Traditional HMO and/or Anthem Blue Cross Select HMO to continue accessing care through the UC Health system.

As reported last month, this agreement and the contract only affects members in the Basic plans. This does not impact members in Medicare plans. I contacted CalPERS to get an update on the contract negotiations and was informed they were

successful and a new contract was signed. Great news for our Anthem Basic plan members who seek treatment through the UC system.

Optum Rx Mail Order Update:

As reported last month, we are getting a lot of complaints from members regarding the new method by which members must refill their maintenance drug prescriptions through Optum Rx. Beginning in January 2024, in order to receive a 90-day supply of some medications, members have to order their prescriptions through the Optum Rx mail order service. A benefit of ordering through Optum Rx is members get a 90-day supply at the price of a 60-day supply.

For those members who choose to use their local pharmacies, they are only allowed to order a 30-day supply and will not enjoy the extra cost savings. One member complained he was on a medication which could not be refilled until the 90th day passed, then he would have to wait for delivery, leaving him without his medication for several days.

I called CalPERS to see how they are dealing with this type of situation, but as of this update, have not heard back. If you are experiencing delays in getting your prescription medication, you are encouraged to call the CalPERS Customer Service number at **(888) 225-7377**.

Ask HBC:

Last month I reported on a member who was having problems getting his medical supplies from a Kaiser program called "Medline." According to the member, Medline, which is known as a manufacturer and supplier of medical supplies, changed warehouses and his orders were not shipping promptly. Even though the member called Medline to check on the status of his order, he was told it was "still pending" ten days after he submitted the


order.

I made contact with CalPERS to have them look into this matter and received this reply: "The rollout of this new warehouse and distribution route did cause some delays in their supply chain, as you are aware. Medline has been doing everything they can to get this fixed, including working on weekends. They estimate that all shipping is expected to be back to normal by May 5th.

Kaiser and Medline offered their sincere apologies for inconvenience the recent shipping delays caused the CalPERS members. Please let us know if you have any questions." The member has since reported he received his order a few days after he reached out to me.

If any members are experiencing problems with Medline or any other CalPERS related program, they are encouraged to call CalPERS Customer Service at **(888) 225-7377**.

If you have any questions about your health benefits which you have been unable to get resolved, please do not hesitate to send a message to the CSR Health Benefits Committee at CSRinfo@calretirees.org.



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PUZZLES FUN IN THE SUN

Fun in the Sun



Six of the words in the word list are spelled incorrectly. Circle them and write them correctly in the blanks. Then find all 24 correct spellings in the puzzle. The words may appear in any direction.

BAIT
BARBECUE
CAMPGROUND
COASTLINE
CROQUET
DIVEING
DUNE BUGGYS
FISHING POLL
FRESH FRIUT
HIKING
HOTDOGS
MOSQUITO

OUTDOORS
PICNIC TABLE
POOL
RESORT
SAND DUNES
SURFBOARD
SWIMING
TACKLE BOX
TENT
TRAVEL
WATER
WAVES

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Spicy Peach-Glazed Grilled Chicken

Ingredients

1/2 cup peach preserves
3 tablespoons finely chopped/seeded jalapeno pepper
1 tablespoon reduced-sodium soy sauce
1-1/2 teaspoons chili garlic sauce
1 teaspoon spicy brown mustard
1 teaspoon olive oil
1/8 teaspoon plus 1/2 teaspoon salt, divided
4 boneless skinless chicken breast halves (6 ounces each)

Directions

In a small bowl, combine the first six ingredients; stir in 1/8 teaspoon salt. Reserve half of the glaze for serving. Sprinkle chicken with remaining salt; place on greased grill rack. Grill, covered, over medium heat 5 minutes. Turn; grill until a thermometer reads 165°, 7-9 minutes longer, brushing tops occasionally with remaining glaze. Serve with reserved glaze.



Are you constantly forgetting things?

As we age, we may experience memory loss or forgetfulness. But it's never too late to take steps to limit the memory loss that comes with aging. Read about how [here](#).

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- 24/7 access to phone and video consultations with physicians
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- Nationwide coverage
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CSR 2024-25 State Budget – May Revise Report

On May 10, Governor Newsom released his May Budget Revision and made official what had long been expected – California’s state budget deficit has grown to \$45 billion, up from \$38 billion in January. Since January, tax revenue collections have fallen an additional \$7 billion behind the modest projections made in the Administration’s initial budget proposal. After accounting for the \$17 billion in early action budget cuts approved in April, the Administration and Legislature now must come to agreement on an additional \$28 billion in cuts, shifts, deferrals, transfers, borrowing, and reserve spending to produce a balanced budget by the June 15, 2024, deadline. We are happy to report that the Administration’s proposed cuts, deferrals, transfers, and other budget adjustments do not threaten CalPERS pensions, or the retiree health care benefits state retirees depend upon. Instead, the Administration’s balanced budget continues to rely on billions in cuts to programs funding climate change remediation, housing, university and school facility construction, and middle-class scholarships. Billions more in previously authorized spending for transit and intercity rail, preschool, transitional and full kindergarten facilities, clean energy investments, and homeless and housing programs will be delayed this year and for years to come. In the fiscal year, billions of dollars in other general fund spending will be shifted to special funds and bonds. State employees will also feel the impact of the cuts. As they did in January, the Administration’s budget continues to rely on \$1.5 billion in savings created by eliminating an

estimated 10,000 vacant positions. The May Revise proposes to make vacancy sweeps – and the savings accompanying them – a permanent practice. The revised budget also makes a new proposal to institute a 7.95% across the board cut to all state department government operations in the new fiscal year to save \$2.2 billion. The position sweeps and across the board cuts will no doubt make life more difficult for state employees as they try to deliver services to Californians with fewer people and less resources. In a shift from the January proposed budget, the May Revise proposes to access \$13 billion in Rainy Day Fund reserves but spreads the money over two budget years (2024-25 and 2025-26). This will leave over \$19 billion available for use to address future budget deficits that have been predicted by the Administration and the independent Legislative Analyst’s Office. In the end, as proposed the 2024-25 state budget will total \$288 billion, with \$201 billion in general fund expenditures. This is significantly lower than the state’s current budget of \$311 billion.

Here are a number of other items of interest to CSR members that largely remain intact as proposed in January:

CalPERS Contribution

The proposed budget includes \$6.9 billion for the statutorily required annual state contribution to CalPERS for state pension costs. This is \$1.6 billion lower than the 2023 Budget Act due to the application of prior Proposition 2 debt repayment funding paid to CalPERS.

Supplemental Contribution to CalPERS

The Governor maintained his commitment to the security of state retiree benefits by including \$420 million in one-time Proposition 2 debt funds as a supplemental payment toward the state plans’ unfunded liabilities. This is a reduction from January of about \$400 million made necessary by declining revenues.

CalPERS Health Care

The proposed budget includes \$7.2 billion to meet the state’s health care and dental obligations to active and retired state employees. Of the proposed money, \$2.8 billion covers the health and dental benefit costs for retired state employees.

Prefunding Retiree Health Care

The proposed budget continues the state’s commitment to jointly prefund (with active employees) retiree health care benefits for future state retirees. The budget includes \$683 million, including \$375 million in one-time Proposition 2 funding in 2024-25, for the employer’s share of contributions to pay for future retiree health benefits. Employees will make the same contribution, collectively, out of their paychecks. Current retiree health care benefit funding is expected to remain as an annual pay-as-you-go state budget item until 2045, when the collectively bargained retiree health care trusts managed by CalPERS are expected to take over payment of the benefits.

State Employee Pay/Budget Savings

With updated cost estimates, the May revise reduces the State Employee compensation



Ted Toppin

line item to \$1.2 billion (down \$100,000 from January). This is the money that will pay for collectively bargained pay increases, higher health care costs for active state employees, and retiree health care prefunding contributions for active employees. As usual, the proposed budget does not include any money for collective bargaining agreements that have yet to be reached. That money will come later and be funded by budget trailer legislation after agreements are completed. Fortunately, the proposed budget does not propose furloughs, personal leave days, or any other similar reductions in active state employee salaries. You can read the complete May Revise budget summary here: www.ebudget.ca.gov. As the Legislature begins its final review process, we will monitor these and other proposals that impact CSR members. Please let us know if you identify budget proposals that are important to you or if you have any questions. Remember, the Legislature must approve the budget by June 15, and the Governor must sign it by June 30, 2024.

MEMBERS ON THE MOVE: Please send in your high resolution photos to CSRInfo@CalRetirees.org for a chance to be featured in an upcoming Retiree. Please include any details on the photo including names, dates and event specifics.

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Alberto Covarrubias Alt. 3
Marie Banker Alt. 4
Mike M. Juarez Alt. 5

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Reba Hawley-Secretary

Delegates

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Reba Hawley
Joan Hume

CHAPTER 20

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LaVerne Archie -Secretary
Gaylonn Mayo-Treasurer

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Christy Morgan-Treasurer
Lorna Wright-Secretary

Delegates

Owenia A. Boykins
Laurel Duncan-Anderson
Christy Morgan
Lorna Wright
Stephanie O'Connell
Edith Schwartz
Larry Houghton
Mitchell M Wheeler
Diana Hendrickson
Cheryl Inniss
Nelia Durley

CHAPTER 23

Elvira (Vera) Acevedo-President
Brad Geldert-Vice President
Rhonda A. Moreno-Nunez-Treasurer
Christine Jasper-Secretary

Delegates

Elvira (Vera) Acevedo
Christine Jasper
Rhonda A. Moreno-Nunez
Larry Roberts
Cookie Galvan Alt. 1
Betty Faultner Alt. 2

CHAPTER 26

Ophelia Rabanal-President
Eva McKenzie-Vice President
Lela Sue Kimbriel-Secretary
Joe H. Salcido-Treasurer

Delegates

Ophelia Rabanal
John S. Easley
Eva McKenzie
Trella Linley
Rosalinda Compton Alt. 1

CHAPTER 31

Gustavo Ruelas-President
Michael Cheng -Vice President
Mojdeh Tamaddon-Treasurer
Catherine Jimenez -Secretary

Delegates

Gustavo Ruelas
Gloria M. Acosta
Catherine Jimenez
Michael Cheng Alt. 1
Manijeh Fatollahi Alt. 2
Mojdeh Tamaddon Alt. 3

CHAPTER 34

Joe Whaling-President
Mark Barr -Vice President
William J. Serb III-Treasurer

Delegates

Joe Whaling
Mark Barr
William J. Serb III
Seid M. Ferdows
Maria Yuasa
Dan Williams
Ravindra Varma
Boi Do Alt. 1
Christina Masri Alt. 2
Frank Morales Alt. 3
Michael Stiegler Alt. 4
Adolfo Zavala Alt. 5

CHAPTER 35

Lou Flores-President
Lawana Tate-Vice President
Mary Jane McCaig-Treasurer
Donald Perkins-Secretary

Delegates

Lou Flores
Mary Jane McCaig
Lawana Tate
Donald Perkins
Susan Koski
Barbara Mades
Kelly Perkins Alt. 1
Helen Minar Alt. 2
Barbara Hill Alt. 3
Joseph M. Eugenio Alt. 4
Brian Adams Alt. 5
Leora Akagi Alt. 6

CHAPTER 36

Maureen W. Thompson-President
Deborah Anzini-Vice President
Abigail Bayes-Treasurer
Susan R. Sisson-Secretary

Delegates

Maureen W. Thompson
Carolyn McIntyre
Abigail Bayes
Susan R. Sisson Alt. 1
Deborah Anzini Alt. 2

CHAPTER 165

Jose Reynoso-President
Gail Fasciola-Vice President
John Bowden-Secretary
Geanie Hixon-Treasurer

Delegates

Jose Reynoso
Susan D'Errico
Gail Fasciola
Esther Martin
Robert Bernstein
Geanie Hixon
Lesleann C. Reynoso
Diane Shepherd
Frank Valls
Tina LeBourveau
Randall F. Cheek
Lisbeth Scott
Steven Marshall
John Bowden

Frank Ruiz
Debra January
Glenn Jacobson
Linda Ostrofsky
Mark Swabey
Donald S. Vodicka Alt. 1
Jeannie Chang Alt. 2
Marilyn Kimble Alt. 3
Joyce Whiten Alt. 4
Bobbi Smith Alt. 5
Kathryn Puente Alt. 6
Carlene DeMarco Alt. 7
Anna Macias Alt. 8
David Swearingen Alt. 9
Charles R. Martinez Alt. 10
Mary Hustler Alt. 11
Gary Puente Alt. 12
Cindy K. Payan Alt. 13
Ivars Lusis Alt. 14



Delegates to CSEA General Council

CSEA General Council (GC) delegates differ slightly from CSR Delegate Assembly (DA) delegates. CSR DA Delegates also serve as CSEA GC Delegates, with a few exceptions. While it is highly unlikely that a CSEA GC will be held in the next three years, the following lists show the CSEA GC Delegates from Chapters 2 & 11.

The reason that Chapters 2 & 11 CSR delegation to GC differs from the chapters' delegation to DA is that members of the CSR Board of Directors are DA Delegates by virtue of the office they hold. CSR Board members are not delegates to GC as CSR Board members and must be elected independently as a Chapter Delegate to GC.

CHAPTER 2

Delegates

Elnora Hunter-Fretwell
Phyllis S. Johnson
Sophia Perkins
Suzanna Nye
Johnnie Young-Craig
Kathleen Elwell
Paul Bocanegra
Diane Welsh
Michael Ellison
Ramiro A. Nava
Angela Ellison
Jim McRitchie
Brenda Thompson
Louis Espinoza
Sherry Yamazumi
Bruce Hubbard
Nirmal Saini
Cathy Hackett
C.T. Weber
John Eng
Merilee Colton
Anna Mayo
William Brown
Lynn A. Franks
Arlene Espinoza
Carol Rogers
Ralph Taylor
Al Lara
(Martha) Penny Felix
Malachi L. Smith
Sheryl Zazzi
Don L. Maynard
Diane Buffington
Linda Roberts
Dick Mesa
Julie Edul

CHAPTER 11

Delegates

Jerry Fountain
Christy Christensen Fountain
Jess R. Beltran
Claudine Edwards-McDougall
Marcia Mason-Wilson
Abraham Mendoza
Gorgianna (Gigi) Subilosky
Lucy Hunt Alt. 1
Lupe Ramirez Alt. 2
Wandalee Gipson Alt. 3
Elizabeth McKim Alt. 4
Jose Gutierrez Alt. 5
Joyce Jarrett Alt. 6
Sherry J. Parks Alt. 7

Welcome Aboard, New Members!

Now that you have become a member of the largest and most experienced state retiree organization in California, we want to properly welcome you aboard. California State Retirees (CSR) has 26 different chapters statewide, and there is one just right for you. Members who don't specify which chapter they want to be in are automatically placed in the chapter within their zip code. Just let us know if the chapter you have been assigned is where you want to stay. A phone call to your chapter president or a visit to your chapter's next meeting is the best way to become acquainted with everything CSR has to offer. Check out pages 10 and 11 for the phone and email information of your chapter president. Each chapter encourages new members to attend their meetings, where state retiree issues are discussed; a variety of speakers appear and lunch is served. At some chapters, new members receive complimentary lunches.

Chapter 1

Anthony Benson
Michelle Kindem
Paula Ransome
Marissa Fournier
Patricia Mctyer
Gillian Baldwin
Devindra Singh Sandhu

Chapter 2

Monica Brown-Brams
Carol Carter
James Delgado
Erin Safford
Deborah Eddington
Aaron Updegrove
Cynthia Brown
Myrna Vilorio
Torn Saechao
Cassandra Ona
Maria Wilcox
Qingzheng An
Jesse Luera
Eleanor Deanda
Peggy Andre
Theresa Smith
Michael Pelaez
Carol Simmons
Victoria Breneisen
Alec Romero
Kathryn Long
Sondra Evans
Donna Pepper-Falero
Thomas Gonzales
Robert Mckinney
John Weisker
Leticia Ringler
Gail Clemmons
Troy St Mary
Eva Torres
Jan Lackey
Surila Singh
Spring Packard
Damaris Kitene
Shammi Jose

Chapter 3

Mary Marasigan
Ludelia Datlag
James Hyden
Michelle Quan
Shirley Yee
Florence Tran
Isabel Estacio

Chapter 4

Deborah Douglas
Joe Moten
Sandra Rollins
Anne Walker Martinez
Cynthia Scott
Jerry Rising
Danilo Cosinas

Chapter 5

Shirley Lenhart
Jeffery Harris
Christine Jeffers
J Vela

Chapter 6

Stephen Sebert
Maria Lamere
Sheri Castillo
Martha Annetta
Nick Evans
Jorge Gomez

Marisa Kalian
Rebecca Whiteaker

Chapter 8

Daniel Orlandi
Sharon Long

Chapter 10

Lara Bertaina
Maxine Guerrero
Christine Wright

Chapter 11

Adenike Olubeko
Doug Aubushon
Jo Mesrobian
Jane Brannick
Michael Giraldes
Sally Garza
Isabel Flores
Bertram Simpson

Chapter 12

Charlotte Brown
Sarah Soriano

Chapter 15

Leslie Harvey
Catharine Galli
David Knapp
Richard Euren
Lutgarda Isip

Chapter 16

Norlyn Pacursa
Stacy Ervin
Cindy Detrick

Chapter 17

Cheryl Getty
Isaac Neely
Elizabeth Kadani
Yolanda Ewing

Chapter 20

Tommie Norris
Danny Pak

Chapter 21

Tung Tran
Dennis Dovichi
Diana Wade
Jeannine Ramey
Teresa Vaca-Sandoval
Kelly Mcblair
Rosalina Kelz
Honorina Rosario

Chapter 23

Vincent Tran
Keith Sanders
Sarita Medina
Nwangwa Nwaeke

Chapter 26

Pamela Garcia
Tracy Lapham
Manjula Nair
Donna De Guzman
Sarah Mendoza

Chapter 31

Gustavo Gonzalez
Alfreda Douglas
Lon Zitek

Chapter 34

Alfredo Del Val Quiroz
Theresa Mccrimmon
Catherine Perez
David Colvin
Joann Eres

Chapter 35

Karen Margolit
Francisco Hernandez
Michael Adams

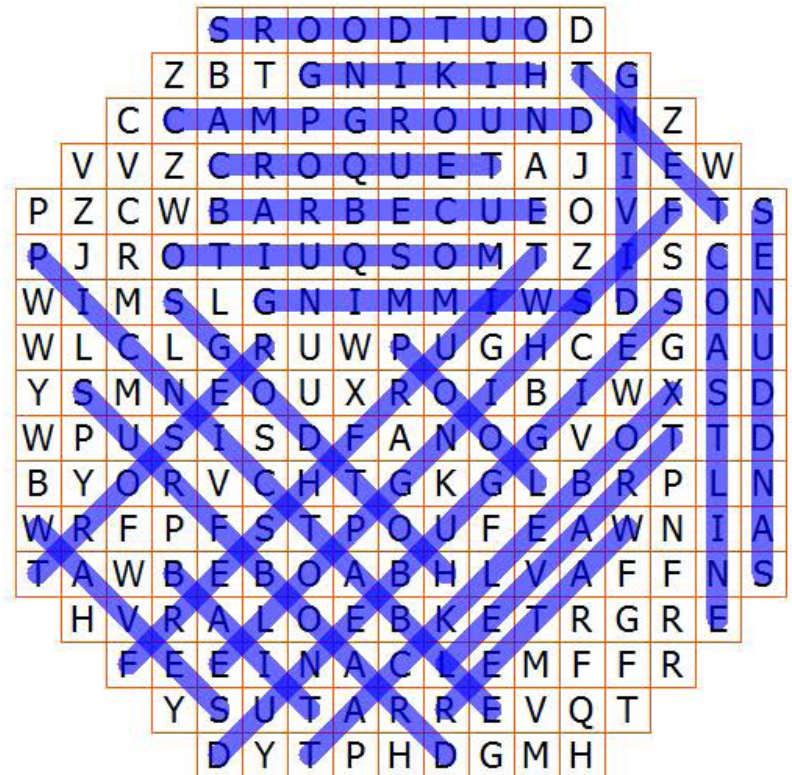
Chapter 36

Steve Adams

Chapter 165

Amber Delgado
Mark Skarakis
David Poddig
Diana Mills
Dany Lunetta
Kathleen Rodriguez
Daniel Powell
Helen Figures
Kenneth Nord
Jiuru Hu
Plinio Marin
Judy Shepherd

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Don't fret if you joined CSR but don't see your name here. Processing at CalPERS, the State Controller's Office and CSR can take a few months. Check again for your name within the next two months.



CHAPTER MEETING NOTICES

Please send an email to CSRInfo@CalRetirees.org by the 15th of the month with your meeting information you would like to have printed in the next issue of the CSR newspaper.

CHAPTER 1

ALAMEDA/CONTRA COSTA COUNTIES

President: Allan Lee, ALee@CalRetirees.org; **Vice President:** Nathan Johnson (510) 304-9270, nathan.johnson0406@yahoo.com; **Secretary:** Russell Kilday-Hicks (415) 310-3823 rkildayhicks@gmail.com; **Treasurer:** Peter Greeff petergreeff09@gmail.com.

Meeting: Tuesday, Aug. 13, noon. **Where:** The Old Spaghetti Factory, 1955 Mt. Diablo Rd, Concord.

Program, Cost and Reservations: See the July CSR newspaper for details.

CHAPTER 2

SACRAMENTO/YOLO AREA

President: Phyllis Johnson, (279) 333-9446, sacyolocsr2@gmail.com; **Vice President:** Sophia Perkins, (916) 613-1813, Idgy1000@att.net; **Treasurer:** Kathleen Elwell (916) 804-6560; **Secretary:** Diane Welsh, (916) 682-7810, **Meeting:** Monday, July 1, noon; Setup committee admitted at 10:30 a.m.; Doors open for all members at 11 a.m.; Meet, greet, and eat with us from 11 a.m. to noon. **Where:** Sierra 2 Center for the Arts and Community, 2791 24th St., Sacramento. Meeting is a hybrid format (choice of in-person or Zoom) **Program:** Supplemental Delegate Election. **Menu:** Choose from one hot dog, choice of beef, vegetarian, vegan. Indicate if you want chile, baked beans, potato salad, sauerkraut, and potato chips. Also indicate if you would like ice cream. Condiments available. **NOTE:** All food is gluten-free. **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED:** By June 17 at 5 p.m. for members and their guests. Contact Phyllis Johnson Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. only. Please indicate in-person or Zoom. Please include any special meal considerations (gluten-free, vegan, vegetarian or other). On all reservations, please include first name, last name, member, or guest. For members, please include your full name as it appears on your retirement paperwork. **For more information:** Contact Phyllis Johnson from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday only.

CHAPTER 3

WEST BAY AREA

President: Skip Charbonneau, (415) 648-4946; **Vice President:** Billie Feliciano, (415) 324-9058; **Secretary:** Bridget Blount; **Treasurer:** Erlinda Villa (415) 407-7905, [\[gmail.com\]\(mailto:gmail.com\) **Meeting:** Friday, June 14, 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **Where:** Basque Cultural Center, 599 Railroad Ave., South San Francisco. **Program:** Hear guest speaker Jose Luis Pacheco, CalPERS Board of Administration. **Menu:** Chicken chasseur or salmon with champagne sauce.](mailto:aida.b.villa@</p></div><div data-bbox=)

Cost: \$10 per-member/guest. **Reservations required:** By June 7 to Erlinda Villa

CHAPTER 4

GREATER LOS ANGELES

President: Marta Zaragoza, (310) 204-0484; **Vice President:** Cynthia Frison, (424) 227-6489; **Secretary:** Virginia Griffin, (323) 290-3655; **Treasurer:** Emma Johnson, (213) 258-8796 **Meeting:** Thursday, June 20, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. **Where:** Petrelli's Steakhouse, 5615 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City. **Program:** TBD. **Reservations required:** RSVP by June 13 to Marta Zaragoza. Cancellations must be received by June 18 to Marta Zaragoza.

CHAPTER 5

CENTRALVALLEY FOOTHILLS

President: Anita McCabe (209) 602-7775; **Vice President:** Vice President: Nanette Wallace, 209-577-8376 **Secretary:** Korryn Koplen (209) 577-8376; **Treasurer:** Joaquina Canedo (209) 524-7219 **Sonora Meeting:** Tuesday, July 2, 11 a.m. **Where:** My Garden Café, 14270 Mono Way, Sonora **Program:** TBD. **Cost:** \$5. **Reservations required:** RSVP to any officer listed above. **Merced Meeting:** Wednesday, July 3, 11 a.m. **Where:** Elks Lodge, 1910 M St., Merced. **Program:** TBD **Cost:** \$5 **Reservations required:** RSVP to any officer listed above. **Jackson Meeting:** Tuesday, July 9, 11 a.m. **Where:** Amador Senior Center, 2296 New York Ranch Rd., Jackson. **Program:** TBD **Cost:** Free **Reservations required:** RSVP to any officer listed above. **Modesto Meeting:** Thursday, July 11, 11 a.m. **Where:** Masonic Lodge, 800 Rose Ave., Modesto. **Program:** TBD **Cost:** \$5 **Reservations required:** RSVP to any officer listed above.

CHAPTER 6

SAN BERNARDINO/ RIVERSIDE COUNTY

President: J. Dee Stoddard, (909) 553-9744; **Vice President:** Frank Ornelas, (909) 948-8758; **Secretary:** Yolanda Ornelas, (909) 948-8758 **Treasurer:** Erlinda Ochoa, (909) 822-4128. *Will meet the second Thursday of even months* **Meeting:** Thursday, June 13, doors

open at 11 a.m. **Where:** Sizzler, 1461 Rimpau Ave., Corona **Program:** TBD. **Cost:** Free to members. **Reservations required:** RSVP by June 10 to Frank Ornelas.

CHAPTER 8

NORTH COAST AREA

President: Veronica Avila, (707) 487-0235, VAvila@CalRetirees.org; **Vice President/Treasurer:** Steve Avila, (707) 487-0235, 59avilasteve@gmail.com; **Secretary:** Vacant; **Meeting:** Friday, July 12, 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. **Where:** Eureka Village Pantry, 1912 Broadway St., Eureka. **Program:** TBD. **Cost:** Free to members. **Reservations required:** RSVP, changes or cancellations required by July 2. Please contact Veronica Avila at (707) 487-0235 to reserve your place at the meeting. **For more information:** Please contact a chapter officer listed above.

CHAPTER 9

LOS ANGELES AREA

President: Donna Hernandez, (562) 405-1387, donnacooker@msn.com; **Vice President:** Joseph Sahli, (714) 865-9930, flysam52@aol.com; **Secretary:** Gloria Clansy, (562) 822-6656, gclansy@icloud.com; **Treasurer:** Maria Vazquez Bauer, (909) 519-8055 mavazbauer01@verizon.net **Downey Meeting:** Wednesday, July 10, noon. Executive meeting starts at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome. Order lunch at 11 a.m. **Where:** Sizzler, 10315 Lakewood Blvd., Downey. **Program:** Learn how CSR helps protect the pensions and healthcare benefits of state retirees like you. **Cost:** Members receive \$15 voucher at sign-in. Guests pay for themselves. **For more information:** Contact Donna Hernandez **El Monte Meeting:** Wednesday, June 12, 11 a.m. Attendees sign in 10:40 a.m. **Where:** El Sombrero Restaurant & Sports Bar, 3550 Santa Anita Ave., El Monte. **Program:** Learn more about your CalPERS pharmacy benefits from Christina Fountain, Optum Rx. **Menu:** Buffet with soft drink included. **Cost:** Members pay \$5 at sign-in. Guests and non-members pay \$20. **Reservations required:** By June 4 to Donna Hernandez at the above contact info.

CHAPTER 10

SAN LUIS OBISPO

President: Leticia Soria, (805) 574-0109, LSoria@CalRetirees.org; **Vice President:** Mary Ann DeLeon; **Treasurer:** Marsha Epstein, (805) 704-0723; **Secretary:** Lori Williams, (805) 550-3510, lori.p.w@gmail.com **Meeting:** Thursday, July 18, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. **Where:** Cuesta Canyon

Park (Arroyo Group Area), 2400 Loomis St., San Luis Obispo, CA **Program:** Supplemental Delegate Election; Chapter meeting and family barbecue lunch **Cost:** Members free, all guests \$10 **Reservations required:** Please RSVP by July 10 to Lori Williams

CHAPTER 11

MID VALLEY

President: Christy Christensen-Fountain, (559) 707-7067; Chrschrs90@aol.com; **Vice President:** Jose Gutierrez, (559) 917-4577; **Secretary:** Claudine Edwards-McDougall, (559) 696-2628; **Treasurer:** Gigi Subilosky, (559) 269-5380 *The remaining chapter meetings of 2024 are scheduled for June 5, Sept. 4, and Dec. 7.* **Meeting:** Wednesday, June 5, 11 a.m. **Where:** Pardini's, 2257 W. Shaw Ave., Fresno **Program:** CalPERS pensions and health benefits updates. Learn how CaptionCall can help you better hear and understand your phone calls. Hear guest speaker Rodney Lowery, CEO of the Resiliency Center of Fresno; Compete for door prizes and in our historical raffle. Let us know in advance if you need a special diet **Cost:** \$10 members and their spouses; \$15 non-members. **Reservations are required:** Please RSVP by May 25. Call (559) 707-7067 or (559) 920-7277 leave a message with your name, phone number and how many people in your group. You will receive a return call to confirm. We look forward to hearing from you.

CHAPTER 12

EASTERN MOUNTAIN AND HIGH DESERT AREAS

President: Linda Currie, (661) 273-6390, lcurrie197@roadrunner.com; **Vice President:** Stephanie Pryzbeski-Gilbert, (661) 537-3811, **Secretary:** Blanca Rodriguez, (909) 553-5625, secrtrycsr@outlook.com; **Treasurer:** Barbara Griffin, (661) 266-1130, bgrif1275@gmail.com; [BarbaraGriffin,\(661\)266-1130,bgrif1275@gmail.com](mailto:BarbaraGriffin,(661)266-1130,bgrif1275@gmail.com) **Meeting:** Tuesday, June 11, noon. **Where:** Los Domingos, 17790 Wika Rd. Apple Valley. **Cost:** Free. **Reservations required:** RSVP to Barbara Griffin or Stephanie Gilbert by May 28 at the contact information above.

CHAPTER 13

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA/REDDING

President: Terry Coyle, (916) 869-2094, tlc95821@yahoo.com; **Vice President:** LaDora Cooper, (530) 949-2131, Dola27@charter.net; **Secretary:** Audrey Sandeen, (530) 604-5289, theswede8243@gmail.com; **Treasurer:** Georgene Gibson

(530) 524-0662, rjceepman10@hotmail.com *Currently meeting the first Wednesday of every month* **Redding Meeting:** Wednesday, June 5, noon. Please arrive at 11:30 a.m. if ordering a meal. Meeting starts at noon. **Where:** Country Waffles, 2300 Athens Ave., Redding. **Cost:** Lunch is free to CSR members and associates. **Meeting:** Wednesday, July 3, noon. Please arrive at 11:30 a.m. if ordering a meal. Meeting starts at noon. **Where:** Country Waffles, 2300 Athens Ave., Redding. **Cost:** Lunch is free to CSR members and associates. **For more information:** Please contact Audrey Sandeen. **Yreka Meeting:** Thursday, June 6, noon. Please arrive at 11:30 a.m. if ordering a meal. Meeting starts at noon. **Where:** Casa Ramos, 100 Main St., Yreka. **Cost:** Lunch is free to CSR members and associates. **For more information:** Please contact Audrey Sandeen.

CHAPTER 14

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA/CHICO

President: Kenneth Todd Mayer, (530) 519-2897, KMayer@CalRetirees.org; **Vice President:** S.E. Riazzi, (530) 519-2174, SERiazzi@CalRetirees.org; **Secretary/Treasurer:** Diana King, (530) 310-3454, LadyDi31481@gmail.com. **Chico – Will usually meet the third Thursday of every month** **Chico Meeting:** Thursday, June 20, 11:30 a.m. **Where:** Logan's Roadhouse, 1900 E. 20th St., Chico. **Program:** TBD **Cost:** \$10 (includes meal and drink). **Chico Meeting:** Thursday, July 18, 11:30 a.m. **Where:** Logan's Roadhouse, 1900 E. 20th St., Chico. **Reservations requested but not required and for more information:** Call or Text Kenneth Todd Mayer or S.E. Riazzi. **Program:** TBD **SUSANVILLE – Will usually meet the first Tuesday of the Month from March through November** **Meeting:** Tuesday, June 4, 11:30 a.m. **Where:** Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Dr., Susanville. **Program:** Guest speaker Stephen Soto, Chapter 14 member, discusses veterans' issues **Meeting:** Tuesday, July 9, 11:30 a.m. **Where:** Diamond Mountain Casino, 900 Skyline Dr., Susanville. **Program:** TBD. **Reservations are required and for more information:** Call or text Diana King or Kenneth Todd Mayer.

CHAPTER 15

SIERRA FOOTHILLS

President: Pamela Robison, (916) 768-1657, PRobison@CalRetirees.org; **Vice President:** Joann Stewart, (916) 412-2075, JStewart@CalRetirees.org; **Secretary:** Shari Lynn Goodwin, (916) 521-7593;

CHAPTER MEETING NOTICES

Treasurer: Lieutenant Coopwood, 916-206-2732, LtCoopJr@gmail.com
Note: See July CSR newspaper for more details.

CHAPTER 16

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

President: Sheila Ward-Shaw, (209) 915-1020, sheilaws2@yahoo.com; **Vice President:** Susan Small, (209) 948-3839; **Secretary:** Georgia Pierce, (209) 405-0173. **Treasurer:** Juan Ochoa, (209) 334-1391. *Meets four times annually in March, July, September and December.*
Meeting: Friday, July 19, Noon – 2 p.m. **Where:** BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse, 5733 Pacific Ave., Stockton. **Program:** Hear guest speakers Congressman Josh Harder and State Assembly candidate Rhodesia Ransom. **Cost:** Members free, non-members \$30. **Reservations are required:** RSVP by July 12 to Sheila Ward-Shaw by phone number listed above or by email invitation response.

CHAPTER 17

GREATER SAN DIEGO

President: Arlene Ryan, (619) 203-3124, aryan.ar858@gmail.com; **Vice President:** Danny Morales, (951) 675-1489, morales6391@hotmail.com; **Secretary/Treasurer:** Diane Whorton, (619) 454-3603, dlw.union@gmail.com *We will meet on the following dates: March 7, June 6, September 5 and December 5, 2024* **Note:** Please see the July and August Retiree.

CHAPTER 19

NORTH COAST AREA

President: Skip Hulet, (707) 279-4643; **Vice President:** Joan Hume, (707) 279-4811; **Secretary:** Reba Hawley, revjimmyv@aol.com; **Treasurer:** Pam O'Toole, (707) 278-0508 *For 2024 we will meet in February, April, June, August, October & December* **Upper Lake Meeting:** Tuesday, June 11, noon. **Where:** Running Creek Casino, 635 E. Highway 20, Upper Lake. **Program:** Meeting will combine Lake and Mendocino Counties; We will discuss our 2025 budget, following the general meeting. **For more information:** Contact Skip Hulet at the number listed above.

CHAPTER 20

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND LOS ANGELES AREA

President: M. Cora Okumura, (818) 359-7625, mcokumura@yahoo.com; **Vice President:** Norma Gallegos, (818) 667-2347, norma.2005@gmail.com **Treasurer:** Gaylonn Mayo, (310) 897-7950, gaylonn28@gmail.com; **Secretary:** : LaVerne Archie, (909) 936-9940 **Meeting:** Thursday, June 6, 9:30 a.m. **Where:**

Sizzler, 7131 Van Nuys Blvd., Van Nuys. **Program:** Learn about how CSR helps protect the pensions and healthcare benefits of state retirees like you. **Cost:** Members eat free from the senior/small menu, including free salad or soup, in addition to coffee, tea, or fountain soda; all others pay their own at cashier. **Reservations required:** RSVP by May 29 to Cora Okumura at (818) 359-7625. **For more information:** Please contact Cora Okumura.

CHAPTER 21

SONOMA, MARIN, NAPA AND SOLANO COUNTIES

President: Lorna Wright, (707) 750-5990, CSRChapter21@yahoo.com; **Vice President:** Donald Lehnhoff, (707) 795- 9405; ; **Secretary:** Eric Norrbom, (707) 322-1528; **Treasurer:** Christy Morgan, (707) 933-9218, citymorg@comcast.net . *Meets January, July and October* **Meeting:** Tuesday, July 9, 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Where: Napa Elks Lodge, 2840 Soscol Ave., Napa **Menu:** Choose marinated tri-tip with roasted potatoes and fresh vegetables or shrimp scampi with linguini and fresh vegetables (vegetarian version also available); Enjoy organic green salad with bleu cheese and walnuts in balsamic vinaigrette; New York cheesecake available for dessert. **Program:** Learn about CalPERS pharmacy benefits from Christina Fountain from OptumRx.. Hear results of the 2024 CSR Chapter Officers and Delegates Election. Meet our newly elected Chapter 21 officers and delegates. **Reservations required:** By July 2 to Lorna Write at the above listed phone or email. **For more information:** Please contact Lorna Wright

CHAPTER 23

SAN JOSE AREA

President: Elvira Acevedo, (408) 550-9273, EAcevedo@calretirees.org; **Vice President:** Brad Geldert, (408) 655-4799, bgeldert@gmail.com; **Secretary:** Christine Jasper, (408) 373-1655, chris0521@sbcglobal.net; **Treasurer:** Larry Roberts, (510) 827-7938, lroberts1956@yahoo.com **Note:** Please see the July Retiree.

CHAPTER 26

BAKERSFIELD/KERN COUNTY

President: Ophelia Rabanal, ORabanal@CalRetirees.org (661) 458-6588; **Vice President:** Henry Mendoza, (661) 725-8604; **Secretary:** Sue Kimbriel, (661) 333-0575, ckimbriel@bak.rr.com; **Treasurer:** Joe Salcido, (661) 477-2015, joe.salcido@yahoo.com. **PLEASE NOTE:** *All chapter meetings will be held*

on the third Thursday of EVEN Months – June 20, Aug. 15, Oct. 17, and Dec. 12. **Meeting:** Thursday, June 20, 11 a.m. **Where:** Hodel's Country Dining, 5917 Knudsen Dr., Bakersfield. **Program:** Hear guest speaker from Kern County Aging & Adult Services; Meet our newly elected Chapter 26 officers and delegates. **Cost:** Members \$5; All other guests/spouses pay their own meals \$15. **Reservations required:** RSVP by June 15. **PLEASE NOTE:** For those who RSVP and cancel, the chapter is responsible for paying for each "no-show" meal. **For more information:** Please call, text or email Ophelia Rabanal.

CHAPTER 31

VENTURA/SANTA BARBARA

President: Gustavo Ruelas, gustavoruelas0@gmail.com; **Vice President:** VACANT; **Secretary/Treasurer:** VACANT.

Meets quarterly **Note:** Please see the July Retiree.

CHAPTER 34

ORANGE COUNTY–SANTA ANA

President: Jenny Hayden, (714) 743-8423, jlhaydenn991@yahoo.com; **Vice President:** Joe Whaling, (714) 349-5393; **Secretary:** VACANT; **Treasurer:** Bill Serb III, (714) 826-6029. Usually meets on the second Wednesday of every other month. **Meeting:** Wednesday, June 12, 11:30 a.m. **Where:** The Old Spaghetti Factory 110 E. Santa Fe Ave., Fullerton. **Program:** Hear guest speaker from Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program (HICAP). **Reservations requested:** By June 5 to Joe Whaling (714) 349-5393

CHAPTER 35

SO. CENTRAL VALLEY PORTERVILLE AREA

President: Lou Flores, (559) 362-0689; **Vice President:** Mary McCaig, (559) 359-6069; **Secretary:** Don Perkins (559) 630-0314; **Treasurer:** Larry Long, (559) 781-8761. **PNote:** **Please see the July Retiree..** For more information, please: Contact Lou Flores.



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MONTEREY BAY AREA

President: Maureen Thompson, (831) 236-7741; **Vice President:** Carolyn McIntyre, (831) 722-3827; **Secretary:** Susan Sisson (831) 578-1919; **Treasurer:** Abby Bayes, (831) 455-6189 *All chapter meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of even months, unless otherwise noted.* **Meeting:** Thursday, June 20, 11:15 a.m.

Where: Round Table Pizza, 2135 H Dela Rosa Sr St., Soledad.

Program: TBD

Cost: Free for members, guests \$25 **Menu:** Enjoy several choices, including a trip to the salad bar with a personal pizza. **Reservations required:** RSVP by June 18 to Secretary Susan Sisson.

CHAPTER 165

SACRAMENTO/OREGON

President: Joe Reynoso, (916) 708-0369, JReynoso@CalRetirees.org; **Vice President:** Gail Fasciola, (916) 612-0939, gailsgab@comcast.net; **Secretary:** John Bowden, (916) 361-8786, JBowden@CalRetirees.org; **Chapter Treasurer/Oregon Subchapter Chair:** Geanie Hixon, (541) 646-0925, Geanie.Hixon@gmail.com **Sacramento Meeting:** Wednesday, June 5, noon (meeting promptly starts at noon, late arrivals will not be seated for lunch) **Where:** The Old Spaghetti Factory, 12401 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Cordova **Program:** TBD. **Reservations:** Not required. **NOTE:** Bring a non-perishable food item for community donation to receive an extra ticket for the drawing at the end of the meeting. **For more information:** Contact Joe Reynoso at the number or email listed above. **Oregon Meeting:** Thursday, June 20, noon. **Where:** Foxy's Restaurant, 16011 Boat Basin Rd., Harbor, OR. **Program:** Hear guest speaker from Heritage House Adult Care. Donate a non-perishable food item to receive an extra drawing ticket. **Reservations required:** Please RSVP by June 17 to Geanie Hixon at the number or email listed above. **For more information:** Contact

CHAPTER 165 OFFERS PAY IT FORWARD SCHOLARSHIPS



The application for Chapter 165 Pay it Forward Scholarships for the 2024-2025 school year is now available to all Chapter 165 members and their eligible relatives! Please send a request for the application to the Chapter 165 Scholarship Chair: **Baskets4Les@comcast.net.** Complete application packets must be received by **June 30, 2024, to be considered.**

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