CHAPTER NEWS

A Message From The CSEA President:

Welcome back! I wish for all of our membership and the campus as a whole a happy and prosperous new year. One of the goals this year is to increase membership at the chapter meetings. I hope you can make the commitment to come and support our Chapter and meet the new officers.

Speaking of prosperous, I'm sure all of us enjoyed the extra income that showed in our December pay warrant. That and the next two is in thanks to the excellent work done by our Negotiations Team. Christine, Diana, Angelica, and Linje deserve quite a pat on the back for a job well done. The Payroll Department, Meuy, Christina, and Laurie deserve a round of applause for making it happen in time for that holiday rush we were all experiencing. Show your support and thank them when you see them. And again, COME TO THE CHAPTER MEET-INGS. Be a part of these efforts and other good works our chapter does.

Our next local Chapter 274 meeting is Wednesday, February 15 from 12-1 p.m. in SU-137. Lunch is provided as well as ZoomRoom for Los Banos. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Teresa Gudgel CSEA President Chapter 274 helloFebruary

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				

Holidays Campus Closed: February 17th and 20th



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2017

NEW CSEA OFFICERS and NEGOTITORS FOR 2017:

President	Teresa Gudgel	
Vice President	Terry Plett	
Treasurer	Maria Soto	
Secretary	Vacant	
Communications Officer (CPRO)	Nora Martinez	
Chief Union Steward	Richard 'Z' Zeunges	
Past President	Kristi Wolf	
Negotiator	Diana Butts	
Chief Negotiator	Angelica Campos	
Negotiator	Christine Grimaldi Clarkson	
Negotiator	Toni McCall	

Member Spotlight

Currently we do not have anyone in the Los Banos Campus as a CSEA Representative to help set up for the monthly meetings. If anyone would like to volunteer please let one of the E-Board members know. The representative will need to take time out of their day to help set up the room and pick up lunch for the CSEA Members.

Congratulations to our new Officers

CSEA Chapter Meetings

Come out to a CSEA Chapter Meeting. You will receive current information regarding Chapter activities and involvement. Lunch is provided. They are held every third Wednesday of each month from 12pm—1pm. The next meeting will be February 15th in SU-137.

Chapter Meeting Dates					
March 15	September 20				
April 19	October 18				
August 23	November 15				

December 20

ATTENTION M & O MEMBERS!

We are pleased to announce that CSEA will once again be offering the Maintenance & Operations Academy!

We are pleased to announce that CSEA will once again be offering the Maintenance & Operations Academy. This year's training will provide participants with important workplace health and safety information as well as prepare them to better protect themselves, their coworkers and students against workplace hazards. Some of the topics covered will include: Preparing for Disasters, Injury & Illness Prevention, Equipment Safety, Know Your Rights and more.

We will be conducting five one day trainings this year. Please choose the location that works best for you & return the registration form (below) by the deadline indicated below.

Location	Date	Registration Deadline
San Diego	Saturday, March 11, 2017	March 3, 2017
Santa Fe	Sunday, March 12, 2017	March 3, 2017
Fresno	Saturday, April 1, 2017	March 27, 2017
Sacramento	Saturday, April 2, 2017	March 27, 2017
San Jose	Saturday, April 8, 2017	April 3, 2017

The exact site & location address will be included in your confirmation information.

The training will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. and conclude by 5:30 p.m. Lunch is included in your \$25.00 registration fee. However, travel and housing arrangements are NOT included in your registration fee. If you need hotel reservations, please check Hotels.com for the least expensive options in the area.

Please note space is limited. Registrations will be accepted on a *first come first served basis*.

Please return fill out and return the registration form, along with your payment so it is received no later than the registration deadline as detailed above. <u>Download Registration Form</u>

IMPORTANT: Space is very limited so register NOW! Registrations will be accepted on a first come first served basis.



For up-to-date info and reminders! @: <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u> mercedcollegeCSEA

Check out our revamped Merced College Chapter 274 CSEA Web Page!

http://www.mccd.edu/about/organizations/csea/index.html

Reimbursement Subsidy NEW!

Let CSEA help defer the cost of attending the academy. CSEA offers subsidies (funds are limited) to financially assist members with opportunities that connect them to the union, the community, and/or to students. For more information and to download an application, visit www.csea.com; click on the Benefits tab; and scroll down to Member Reimbursement Subsidy.

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CSEA is proud to offer \$1000 scholarships to dependents for CSEA members. Scholarships are available for graduating high school seniors, as well as for those attending community college, four year colleges or vocational school.

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement, citizenship (including character, leadership, and service), and financial need.

CSEA offers a total of 53 scholarships in three different categories:

- First Year Scholarships (43 awarded)
- Community College Scholarships (5 awarded)
- College/Vocational Scholarship (5 awarded)

CSEA Dependent Scholarship applications are accepted January 10—March 1.

Applications are available now at <u>http://www.csea.com/</u> <u>scholarships</u> and are due March 1st.

For more details, visit <u>http://www.csea.com/scholarships</u> or call CSEA Member Benefits at (866) 487-2732

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