Hello members of the California Sexual Assault Investigators Association. As your President for 2015, I would like to thank the Board of Directors and the members of this Association for giving me this opportunity to lead this Association this year.

As I look back to the training provided, this year’s annual 2015 Spring Training conference in beautiful Shell Beach was very well attended. The conference was extended a full day and was well received by all, law enforcement, prosecutors, social workers, victim advocates and forensic nurses. Your board is just about finished securing the instructors for next year’s Spring training. Information and registration for 2016 Spring Training should be posted shortly.

Your Board of Directors provided you two one day training opportunities in Dublin California on “Working with Victims: Interviewing and Pretext Call Strategies”. The first was in January and because the training was very well received; we provided a second training in May of this year. Your Board listened to its members and scheduled the same training in Southern California in February 2016 at the Chula Vista Police Department. Please go to our website at www.csaia.org for registration information on this training. Watch CSAIA web site and your e-mail for information and updates on dates and locations for One Day training opportunities.

Your Board of Directors is always looking for one-day training topics and instructors, so if you have an idea, please email a Board member. All Board of Directors contact information can be found at www.csaia.org.

As this year, 2015 was an election year. I as your 2015 President of the California Sexual Assault Investigators Association would like to take this opportunity to congratulate those members who applied and ran for one of the board of director openings for the term during the 2016-2017 year. It is my pleasure to announce your Board of Directors for the next two years: Karla Beler (President), Richard Nickel, Karen Sherwood, Tim McFadden, Margie Jessen, Steve Welch, Dustin Bruzee, Rick Barton, Sabrina Ostberg and Marty Amaro.

Please take the opportunity to welcome those who were re-elected and the new members to the Board.

I would also like to encourage members to visit www.csaia.org frequently for case law updates, training updates, contacting other CSAIA members and to send group e-mails seeking information. Our goal is to create a web site that is useful to CSAIA members to facilitate the exchange of information. To each of our members, thank you for all you do to help victims of sexual assault and child abuse.

In closing, remember that this is YOUR Association and your suggestions, ideas, and experiences are welcome! Should you need any assistance, you can count on the Board of Directors to assist you. As always the Board of Directors will continue to work tirelessly to bring you, the membership of CSAIA, the best possible resources available!

Good luck to each of you in 2016, I wish all of you a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year! Thank You, Richard Nickel, 2015 CSAIA President
2016 Spring Training
Shell Beach, CA
The Cliffs Resort in Shell Beach, CA will be the site for the California Sexual Assault Investigators Association 2016 Spring Training. The training will include a variety of topics.

The Cliff’s Resort always provides us with great accommodations and food. There will be coffee service each morning of the conference. CSAIA will host lunch on three days of the training conference.

The conference is a perfect opportunity for team building and networking between various agencies throughout California and a time to gather and share knowledge about handling sexual assault investigations. We look forward to seeing you!

Randy & Me: A Prosecutor’s Story of his Childhood Sexual Abuse

This presentation will recount Kevin’s own story of sexual exploitation at the hands of his soccer coach, Randy. But, it will not be merely a retelling of the past.

Instead, the presentation will address lessons learned from his case by combining Kevin’s experience both as a victim and a long-time prosecutor of child exploitation cases. Knowing what he knows now, Kevin believes there are lessons to be learned from his story for the investigator (Kevin’s was great), the prosecutor (Kevin’s was terrible), and the forensic interviewer (Kevin did not have one).

Beyond these (hopefully) useful lessons, the presentation will provide plenty of time for questions from attendees. Given the nature of our work, we don’t often get to ask questions (beyond factual questions) of our child victims. This presentation will provide that opportunity.

Legal Updates, Court Preparation and Testimony
Angela Alvarado/DDA Santa Clara County

Child Forensic Interviewing
Suzie Aanerud/San Luis Obispo Police Department and Nicole Farrell/ UCLA

Juvenile Sexual Assault Offenders
Carlos Monagas/Supervising DDA Riverside County

Issues with Sexual Assaults on Campus/New Law Governing Campus Investigations
Janet Neely/Deputy Attorney General

Trauma Informed Interviewing
Andrew Tucker/University of California Police Department

Best Practices for Sexual Assault Investigations
Jodi Link/DDA Los Angeles County

GPS and Crime Scene Correlation
Tae Shin and Gabriel Rogers/CDCR

Solutions to Violence: The correlation between family violence and mass shootings
Rachael Frost/Riverside County Sheriff’s Office

“Randy & Me: A Prosecutor’s Story of his Childhood Abuse”
Kevin Mulcahy/ Assistant U.S. Attorney in Detroit
Save the Date

2016 CSAIA Spring Training

The 2016 Spring Training Conference will be March 8-11, 2016 at the Cliff’s Resort in Shell Beach, CA.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the 2016 Spring Training Conference. We hope that you will submit your training request early and register as soon as registration opens January 4, 2016.

For CSAIA attendees the rooms at the Cliff’s Resort during the training conference have been discounted to $125.00 per night, plus taxes, for single or double occupancy. You will need to call the Cliff’s Resort at (844)406-0102 to make your reservations. Be sure to tell the reservation assistant that you are with the CSAIA Conference. Watch for the 2016 Spring Training Conference flyer—and register and make your reservations early!!!

If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact Steve Welch at 951-290-8261 or swelch@cساia.org.
The 2016 CSAIA Board of Directors

Dustin Bruzee, M.J. Jessen, Rick Barton

Karen Sherwood, Karla Beler, Richard Nickel

Steve Welch, Tim McFadden

Marty Amaro, Sabrina Ostberg

Thank you for voting!

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In Memory of John Cotter Brodie/ November 6, 1947 - July 1, 2015

It is with a heavy heart that we report the passing of former CSAIA President John Brodie. John was a long-time CSAIA member and was the first non-sworn board member to serve as president. John worked for the California Department of Justice Sexual Habitual Offender Program (SHOP) and Sex Registration Program. John retired from DOJ after nearly 40 years of service passionately advocating for greater safety for children and improved tracking of sex offenders. Before modern computer programs were put in place, John tracked offenders and provided law enforcement sexual assault investigators with information about high-risk sex registrants. John co-authored a book: "Don't Take My Child: A Parent’s Guide to Keeping Our Kids Safe" and pioneered the collection of DNA samples from convicted sex offenders. John's tireless work with CSAIA, local, state and federal law enforcement agencies and numerous non-profit organizations made California a safer place.
CSAIA Board Member Rick Barton and Sarah Meredith/ Director of the UC Davis Center for Advocacy Resources and Education will be presenting in Chula Vista, CA on February 2, 2016.

*Working with Victims: Interviewing and Pretext Call Strategies.*

$35.00 per person

February 2, 2016, 0800-1700 hours
Chula Vista Police Department
315 Fourth Ave., Chula Vista, CA. 91910

The 2016 Spring Raffle proceeds will be donated to:

Chadwick Center for Children & Families

**Topics:**
Please notify the CSAIA Board of Directors of topics and suggested instructors for conferences and one day trainings.
Our training is recognized by POST, BRN and MCLE - You get credit for attending! All courses presented by the California Sexual Assault Investigators Association are POST Certified. For peace officers, this means you as an officer get POST Continuing Education Credit for the time you attend the class! CSAIA Courses are also recognized by the Board of Registered Nurses and for Mandatory Continuing Legal Education for attorneys. All continuing education credit requires certification by the presenting organization.

The POST Administrative Manual (PAM) requires each student sign in on the POST Course Roster along with their POST ID number (not your social security number). Students may not sign the Roster for another student.

POST further requires that the Course Presenter (CSAIA) keep an attendance roster for every day of training, verifying each student’s attendance. Within 10 days of the end of the course, the CSAIA must submit the Course Roster to POST, documenting each student’s total hours.

Per the PAM, students may miss up to 10% of the class for “valid reasons” (e.g. work related callouts, court appearance, etc.), or other “extraordinary circumstances.” POST may require the Course Presenter (CSAIA) to obtain supervisor verification for any time missed, and/or POST themselves may contact the student’s employer to verify that the missed time meets these criteria.

Please be aware that the CSAIA could lose its status as a POST Course Presenter if we do not ensure all of these regulations are met. We appreciate your cooperation and understanding!

Website News

Season’s Greetings to Everyone,

Over the last several months, your board of directors has been working with Jos Van Hout of Technical Investigative Services (TIS), LLC, implementing this company as our new web host and 123 Signup for more detailed online training registrations.

Most of the changes are internal and won’t change how you the member views, or uses the CSAIA website. By working with TIS and 123 Signup, CSAIA will be more efficient in their training registrations. Some of these improvements include attendee training management, online wait list for full training, automated training email reminders, and post-training membership surveys.

These are just some of the benefits of going over to the new systems. However, please have patience as with something new comes a learning curve with the board and the membership. If anyone has a problem with the website or anything else, your board of directors is only an email or phone call away. All contact information for the board can be found on the CSAIA website under "Our Board."

Stay safe,
Steven Welch
CSAIA Board of Director
2017 CSAIA Sustained Achievement Awards:

- The Michiel Hyder Sustained Achievement Award
- Sustained Achievement Award in Forensic Services
- Legislator of the Year Award
- Outstanding Agency of the Year Award
- The Patrick Sullivan Investigator of the Year Award

Please nominate someone who has affected change, increased victim awareness, made a difference in their community as it relates to the Sexual Assault Response Team concept, overcame obstacles to investigate, closed or prosecuted a case; supported work toward protective legislation or has contributed to the overall forensic science in the investigation of sexual assault cases. We want to recognize excellence!

CSAIA presents Sustained Achievement Awards at the Annual CSAIA Spring Training Conference. Please consider nominating recipients for the above Sustained Achievement awards for 2017. There is great work being done by law enforcement officers and forensic examiners, and CSAIA would like to recognize the dedicated efforts of those that sacrifice and make a difference for sexual assault victims.

NOMINATIONS ARE DUE BY August 12 2016
SUBMIT NOMINATIONS TO CSAIA Board Member Karen Sherwood at ksherwood@csaia.org
**Membership Corner**

**Richard Nickel, Membership Director**

We are currently 318 members strong! If you have any recruitment ideas or would like to encourage members of your team or organization to become members of CSAIA, please contact our Membership Coordinator Richard Nickel. Richard can be reached at richard.nickel@csaia.org or boardmember@csaia.org.

**Website:**

**Resource’s area**
The resources area provides Presentations, downloads, interesting articles, and other Web sites that are relevant to you. It is driven by Member postings, which means the more items that are posted; the more resources will be shared. Examples of resources in this area are: 290 Information, Case Law, Legislation, Los Angeles County District Attorney’s Office One Minute Brief by Devallis Rutledge and lots more.

**Training Events**
Education and Training programs will help you build new skills and reinforce your own experiences and knowledge.

**E-Mail Members**
The California Sexual Assault Investigators Association email system allows members to exchange information. Members who are current can send and share ideas, get information, and ask questions on important issues. Each email sent is stored for members to view on-line at a later date.

**Membership Status**
Check out your membership status at www.csaia.org.
All memberships are now based on an annual renewal from the date you joined the Association. Membership is $50.00 a year.

**Training Ideas??**
CSAIA is always looking for new and innovative ideas in training to bring to membership.

If you have any ideas for our Conference Training or One-Day Training, please contact: boardmember@csaia.org.

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**Members make the difference! Join today!**

There are many benefits simply from belonging to your association. The greatest benefit to joining CSAIA is the networking and camaraderie that takes place between members. As a CSAIA member, you have access to many on-line resources to enrich your professional career as well as the connection with law enforcement and forensic nurse specialists who have a real passion for what they do.
August 27, 2015
DCA – Sex-Offender Registrant Must Be Advised Of Duty to Register Upon Each Release

Additional information and hyperlinks:

**People v. Toloy** (DCA) A Penal Code section 290 registrant is required to reregister within five working days of his or her release after serving a jail sentence of 30 days or more. “Any person who is released . . . from a jail . . . where he or she was confined, who is required to register pursuant to the Act, shall, prior to . . . release, be informed of his or her duty to register under the Act by the official in charge of the place of confinement . . .” (Pen. Code, § 290.017, subd. (a).) Defendant was released from jail after serving a two-month term, and was not expressly advised as required, though he had been advised at the time of an earlier release. He failed to register, and was convicted of failing to register. The Court of Appeal concluded that section 290.017 does require notification upon each release, but also concluded the failure to do so did not provide a defense to defendant.

August 3, 2015
DCA – a judge must consolidate counts when there are multiple rape convictions for a single act of intercourse.

Additional information and hyperlinks:

**People v. Soria** (DCA) a judge must consolidate counts when there are multiple rape convictions for a single act of intercourse. Here, a jury convicted defendant of rape of an unconscious person and rape of an intoxicated person for a single act of intercourse. Defendant argued one of the convictions should be stricken. DCA disagreed; generally, only one rape can result from a single act of intercourse. But the rape statute can be violated under different circumstances with distinct penal consequences [PC 261]. Therefore, it would be inappropriate to strike counts. When a defendant is guilty of rape under more than one circumstance for a single act of intercourse a court must consolidate rather than strike any of the counts. “If consolidated and one of the statutory basis for the conviction is later reversed . . . the other statutory basis would remain and the defendant would still stand convicted of rape.”

July 10, 2015
DCA – a defendant who is invited by a minor into her parent’s home to have sex is guilty of a burglary.

Additional information and hyperlinks:

**People v. Sigur** (DCA) a defendant who is invited by a minor into her parent’s home to have sex is guilty of a burglary. Here, defendant had sex with a 13-year-old girl who repeatedly allowed defendant to enter her parent’s home through her bedroom window. A jury found defendant guilty of crimes including nine counts of first-degree burglary. Defendant argued that he had consent to enter the home. DCA disagreed; generally, a burglary occurs when a person enters a building with the intent to commit a theft or a felony. Consent is a defense when the owner actively invites a person to enter with knowledge of his felonious intent. However, minor children do not have coequal dominion over a family home. Here, there was no evidence victim's mother consented to the entries, while there was evidence both defendant and the victim knew that she “lacked authority to invite an adult male into her room.”
The CSAIA Board of Directors has been working hard to upgrade our video and audio equipment for a better presentation experience for our membership for the spring conference. Board of Directors Dustin Bruzee and Rick Barton have been researching, purchasing and testing the new system. We look forward to sharing our updated equipment with you in March, 2016.

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Membership is now on a 12 month annual cycle! Watch your e-mail for an electronic notification to renew your membership. RENEW ON-LINE! Annual membership is $50.00.

You must renew to continue to have access to the Members Area on the website and to continue to receive information by mail!!