



California Surf Lifesaving Association

TO: CSLSA Board of Directors
 FROM: Bill Richardson, Second Executive Delegate
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 SUBJECT: **Activity Report**

I have kept busy this past six months working on several projects for CSLSA and USLA as well as participating at the Regional and National Lifeguard Championships as an official and starter of the events.

Regional & National Championships

I must echo the opinions of others on the Executive Board in saying that we have come a long way in running these two events. The officials have gotten much better in operating the events and the competitors have grown to appreciate these efforts demonstrated by their demeanor at the events.

Seal Beach is to be congratulated for an outstanding venue for the Regional's. The events there were a great success.

LACOLA, likewise is to be congratulated for pulling together an outstanding event at Manhattan Beach under very difficult circumstances, with late changes in the event location, sponsorship issues, potential parking issues, etc.

CSLSA Communications List

One of the projects I have been working on for CSLSA is the 2008-2009 Communication List, copies of which are available at this meeting.

USLA National Directory

Likewise, I have been working on a much larger project for USLA, that of the National Directory which lists all the Executive Board, Committees, Working Groups, Regional contacts including all the Chapters. This project is essential to improved communication through out the USLA and it is nearly done. I have only one Region that has not given me their materials, but I expect to be able to present a completed Directory at the meeting in Cocoa Beach, Florida next month.

Generic Regional Bylaws Template

A third and new project is helping USLA to develop a "generic" Regional Bylaws template which can be used by any region of USLA that has not developed same as required by USLA Bylaws. This project is still in its infancy, although I have completed a draft template which I hope to discuss with the USLA Legal Advisor, Chip More, while in Cocoa Beach.

Certification

I continue to act as a regional Certification Officer and since our last meeting have reviewed four agencies for recertification by USLA. All passed with no questions.

Special Awards & Presentations

I will report in more detail on these activities, but in basic terms, I have represented CSLSA at the USLA committee level and obtained approval for five submissions for Heroic Acts that will be presented at this meeting.

I also have made several plaques and presentation awards on behalf of the Board of Directors and have stayed well below the Committee's budget.

I look forward to 2009 with great anticipation and thank the Board for allowing me to serve them and our membership. "*Lifeguards for Life*" is more than just a motto to all the fine ladies and gentlemen I am privileged to work with on the Executive Board