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CORPORATE ASSOCIATES PRESIDENT RECEIVES CIRCLE OF SERVICE AWARD

At this year's Annual Meeting in San Diego County, CSAC honored Stuart Wells, our 2008 Corporate Associates President, with a Circle of Service Award. This award honors county officials, department heads, employees, Corporate Associates and other CSAC members whose service to CSAC and counties sets them apart. Stuart Wells, who serves as the Franchise & Fees Manager for The Gas Company/SDG&E Sempra Energy Utilities, has been involved with Corporate Associates since 2005, and his company has been a major supporter and member of the Corporate Associates program since its inception.

CSAC INSTITUTE OFFERS OPPORTUNITIES FOR CORPORATE ASSOCIATES

As mentioned during our Corporate Associates business meeting in San Diego, the CSAC Institute for Excellence in County Government is now up and running. There are two primary ways for Corporate Associates to get more involved with the Institute: 1) Serving as an Institute faculty member; and 2) Sponsoring one of the Institute's courses. Additional information can be found on the Institute's Web site, at www.csacinstitute.org. If you are interested in discussing either of these opportunities in more detail, please contact, Bill Chiat, Institute Manager, at bchiat@counties.org.

CORPORATE ASSOCIATES HOST SUCCESSFUL SESSIONS AT 2008 ANNUAL MEETING

At the recent 114th Annual Meeting in San Diego County, several Corporate Associates members had the opportunity to participate as speakers in conference sessions. The Wednesday Luncheon featured panelists from PG&E, The Gas Company/SDG&E and Southern California Edison, who discussed a variety of energy issues that we are currently facing across our state. Additionally, the Corporate Associates and County Administrative Officers Association of California (CAOAC) co-sponsored a well attended workshop on Tuesday afternoon, where we highlighted six case studies of successful county/business partnerships.

2009 CORPORATE ASSOCIATES LAPEL PINS HAVE ARRIVED

The 2009 Corporate Associates lapel pins have arrived! We will begin distributing them at our meetings and events in January. However, if you would like them sooner, please feel free to contact Lindsay Pangburn, at lpangburn@counties.org, to request to have your company's pins shipped to you.

INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ILG) RELEASES NEW PUBLICATIONS

The Institute for Local Government (ILG) has prepared a brief [overview of SB 375](#), a new law that aligns regional housing and transportation planning and provides incentives for projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. ILG has also completed a three-part series of articles on the legal and ethical issues related to local officials' involvement in nonprofit causes, and it is now available at www.ca-ilg.org/everydayethics. Additionally, in the works is an update of the Institute's suite of ethics education materials, to reflect recent changes in ethics laws.

ASK CSAC'S LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES

Do you have questions about current or pending legislation that affects California counties? CSAC's Legislative Advocates are here to help! To contact a member of the legislative staff, please visit the [CSAC Legislative Staff listing](#) on our Web site.

KEY EVENTS IN 2009

March

7-11 NACo Legislative Conference – Washington D.C.

May

16-19 NACo Pre-Western Interstate Region (WIR) Event – Umatilla County, Pendleton, OR

20-22 NACo Western Interstate Region (WIR) Conference – Umatilla County, Pendleton, OR

27-28 CSAC Legislative Conference – Sacramento

July

24-29 NACo Annual Conference – Nashville, TN

September

9 7th Annual Corporate Associates Bocce Ball Tournament – Sacramento

October

14-16 National Council of County Association Executives (NCCAE) Annual Meeting – Sonoma County

November

17-20 CSAC 115th Annual Meeting – Monterey County

To view the complete 2009 CSAC Calendar of Events, please [click here](#).