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Lifesaving  
Association**  
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Long Beach Lifeguards mark 114 years of service



*Legends Lost...  
Legacies that will  
live on...*

**Logan Lockaby  
1936 - 2020**

**Carl Drake  
1951 - 2020**



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## EVENTS CALENDAR 2020/21

### Fall CSLSA 2020 Board of Directors Meeting

October 8, 2020 ONLINE MEETING

Location: Zoom

### Fall USLA 2020 Board of Directors Meeting

November 5 - 6, 2020 ONLINE MEETING

Location: Zoom

### CSLSA 2021 Regional Jr. Lifeguard/Lifeguard Championships TBA

### Spring CSLSA 2021 Board of Directors Meeting

TBA

### Spring USLA 2021 Board of Directors Meeting

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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Bill Humphreys, President  
California Surf Lifesaving Association

As lifeguards, or “Life Savers,” our mission is to protect and save those in need. Whether it’s via lifesaving efforts on a medical call, protecting someone from harm from others while performing law enforcement, or rescuing someone from the open water – the mission is unchanged. A mission that becomes part of each one of you and runs deep in your veins.

As such, we are all impacted by the current pandemic on a deep level. On behalf of our association, I wanted to thank you and acknowledge our appreciation for all you are doing in your service to the public.

Your job (and life) has changed dramatically. Isolating, wearing masks, socially distancing, and all the other precautions you’ve taken has certainly made things difficult.

But behind this, over 200,000 people in our great country have passed away from this virus. Whether you personally know these people or not, you have certainly been impacted in one way or another. As lifesavers, the loss of life in any form impacts us all. Further, we have also lost lives within our brother and sisterhood of fellow lifesavers. Since our last Board of Director’s meeting, we have lost some famous and some not-so-famous lifeguards. Some of these will be honored at our Fall BOD meeting, while

others will remain somewhat anonymous. But, famous (in our world) or not, we have all suffered loss. However, despite these losses, and despite having your world being turned upside down, you have continued on in your mission of serving and protecting the public.

We don’t have statistics for 2020 in yet, but it’s being reported that most beaches were more crowded this summer than they have been in years.

On top of that, we had record high temperatures driving people into the water. More people on the beach, more people going into the water, and trying to follow all COVID precautions created more work for you. In addition, many of you have stepped up your service in a multitude of ways serving with COVID-related duties. But, sticking with our most basic function of guarding a stretch of beach and performing rescues, you have gone above the call of duty, putting yourself in harm’s way while serving others. As such, we want to thank and honor all of you for this.

As far as the CSLSA goes, we have been busy working to support the profession and our members. Please visit our website at [CSLSA.org](http://CSLSA.org) and read through the activity reports and meeting minutes to see some of the wonderful activities taking place on behalf of our members.

We are working hard to improve training standards, provide training and resources, and produce public education materials. We are working to become more closely aligned with chapters and agencies, seeking their input, and will continue to support our individual members at the local, regional, and national levels. If you are interested in getting more involved, please contact any of our executive board members to find out how.

We serve in a noble profession; with gifts and skills you possess which are being used to save thousands and thousands of people and protect many more from harm. I could not be prouder to serve alongside each of you. So again, thank you and let us know how we can better serve you – helping to make your job easier, better, or more effective. Stay safe!

Sincerely,

William J. Humphreys, Jr., President  
California Surf Lifesaving



VALOR & HEROIC ACT  
AWARD



*Congratulations to the following award recipient:*

**Police Canine Officer Jonathan Wiese**

Sunset Cliffs in San Diego  
Sunday, June 14, 2020

On the evening of Sunday, June 14, 2020 a woman called the San Diego Sheriff’s Department to report that her husband had taken their two-year-old twin daughters with plans to drive off the Coronado Bridge in San Diego. The Sheriff’s dispatcher notified the San Diego Police Department and put out a description of the family and their tan pickup truck.

San Diego Police Lieutenant Dave Bautista and Police Canine Officer Jonathan Wiese were two of the officers who heard the broadcast. Lt. Bautista located the vehicle near the Sunset Cliffs. After “lighting-up” and upon approach, the driver saw Bautista and quickly drove the truck off a cliff, landing in the shallow water, and on the rocks below.

Officer Wiese arrived moments later, and both officers observed the truck upside down, smashed on the rocks and in the water and partially submerged. The father was treading water, holding onto the children; one was crying, but the other appeared lifeless.



CSLSA Pres. Bill Humphreys with Ofc. Wiese

Officer Wiese took off his gun belt and safety vest, took a 100-foot long canine leash from his car and was lowered over the cliff to the crash site by Lt.

Bautista and two other officers after their arrival on scene. Utilizing skills learned in the Marine Corps Survival Training, he swam to the trio, rescued the children who were now separated from their father and brought them onto the rocks. The



USLA Pres. Gus Avila with Wiese and Bautista

children were then hand-lifted to the top of the cliff utilizing the canine leash and a canvas bag. Wiese re-entered the water to rescue the father, Meanwhile, the children were being treated by EMS personnel. The one child who had been unconscious was successfully resuscitated. The children were then airlifted to a nearby hospital. The father was also transported to a hospital and was immediately taken into custody for child endangerment and attempted murder. All three victims recovered from the ordeal. On August 28, 2020, San Diego Police Officer Jonathan Wiese was awarded the California Surf Lifesaving Association **Medal of Valor** and the United States **Heroic Act Award** for his heroic actions in saving the three victims.



As open-water lifesavers, our **MISSION** is to promote Beach Safety awareness and Professional Lifeguard standards through public education, training programs, exchange programs, junior lifeguard programs, competition and other means. The ultimate goal is to prevent and reduce aquatic injuries, accidents and death at open-water beaches in the Southwest Region of the United States Lifesaving Association.



## Logan Lockabey

Newport Beach lifeguarding legend and world traveler, Lt. Logan Lockabey, passed away peacefully on Monday, September 14th, according to his wife, Anita.

Services have not yet been planned but he is registered with the Neptune Society.

Logan was born in 1936 in Loma Linda, CA.

Logan grew up in Redlands, California, graduating from Redlands Senior High School. He graduated from Pomona College in 1955, majoring in music and studying pre-med.

Logan became a Newport Beach Lifeguard in June 1955 and retired in September 1983 as the Beach Operations Lieutenant. Logan, along with Captain Buddy Belshe, seasonal Lifeguard Al Irwin from the 1930's who returned from the late 40's to early 80's, and Seasonal Supervisor Don Burns were the heart and soul of Newport Beach Lifeguard training for many years.

After John Thomas of Muriwai came to California in 1969 to study American lifeguarding techniques, Logan, Max Bowman of Huntington City and Phil Stubbs of San Clemente City Lifeguards travelled to New Zealand in 1969/70 to study Kiwi lifeguarding, becoming the first California Lifeguards to travel down under with what has now become the CSLSA-New Zealand Lifeguard exchange ...a program that has lasted over 50 years.

The late Captain Buddy Belshe and Lieutenant Logan Lockabey created the Newport Pier to Pier Swim in 1976 thru the NBOLA at the urging of

Councilwoman Evelyn Hart to help celebrate the United States Bicentennial. The event continues today, raising funds for NBOLA events, competitions, and the New Zealand exchange program.

Logan was continually active and served on the Board of the National Surf Life Saving Association, NSLSA, during its founding years, when it was strictly a West Coast organization.

In 1969, the change in officers found Phil Stubbs elected president, Bob Shea of San Diego vice president, Logan Lockabey of California State secretary, Dick Heinemann treasurer, and Tim Dorsey still watching the door as sergeant at arms.

That year, the first international educational exchange was undertaken with a visit to Auckland, New Zealand by Max Bowman (Huntington Beach), Phil Stubbs (San Clemente), and Logan Lockabey (Newport Beach). It was also in that year that NSLSA received membership in the Council for National Cooperation in Aquatics (CNSA).

Also in 1969, the Dade County (Florida) Board of Supervisors requested that NSLSA representatives' journey to Miami and review lifeguard procedures there in the wake of a rash of ocean drownings. Bob Burnside and Phil Stubbs handled this task, with Paul Cocke (LA County) and Bill Richardson (Huntington Beach) assisting.

The outcome included recommendations that resulted in installation of a communication system, new vehicles and equipment, new qualification requirements, increased funding, and the hiring of Lt. Holland as Chief of the Dade County Lifeguard Division. It was the first demonstration of the potential power of NSLSA to improve lifesaving standards nationwide.

In 1970, Hempstead Beach, New York joined NSLSA. It was the first member chapter from the upper East Coast. The NSLSA newsletter changed its name that year to Ocean Lifeguard Magazine. The editor was Tim Dorsey.

World Life Saving was created in 1971 in Australia, to include the national lifesaving federations of Australia, Great Britain, New Zealand, South Africa, and the US. Chief Vince Moorehouse of Huntington Beach was appointed the NSLSA International Liaison to WLS, then President from 1976-

80. Max Bowman served from 1988-1993. On 24 February 1993, WLS merged with FIS to form the International Life Saving Federation (ILS). By that time, WLS represented more than 20 full member national lifesaving organizations.

In 1971, President Phil Stubbs was reelected, Eric Lucas of Laguna Beach was elected vice president, Logan Lockabey remained as secretary, Bill Ward became secretary, and Tim Dorsey stayed on for another term as sergeant at arms. In that year, recommended beach standards and certification were first completed for all lifeguard classifications in an effort to improve standardization and professionalism.

Logan and fellow Newport Beach Lifeguard Topper Horack dragged a young Jim Turner along to the 1978 Board meeting in Santa Cruz when they voted to become the USLA (United States Lifesaving Association), becoming a truly national organization with the inclusion of lifeguards from the East Coast, Texas and Great Lakes.

After Logan met Anita at an international dance festival in 1973. They dated for 11 years, lived together for 15 more.

Logan proposed in 2000 and they married on January 19, 2001, Logan saying they didn't like to rush into things.

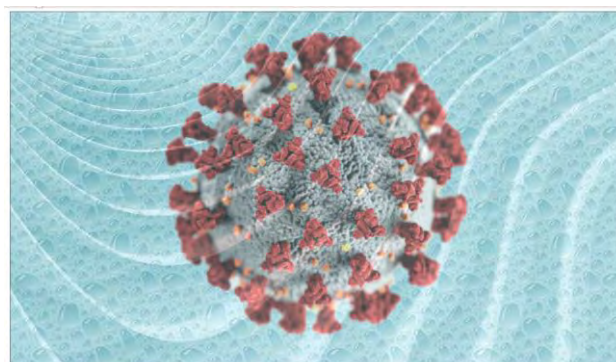
For many years they travelled to Austria during the winter for the symphony season, always returning with great stories of fun.



(Editor's Note: Special thanks to Jim Turner for his contribution to this story)

## "THE SUMMER OF COVID"

... a very unusual summer for lifeguards



Little did we know when Disneyland closed its doors back in March, that Covid-19 would dominate much of our conversation, convenience, and summer lifeguard season! Permanent lifeguards up and down the coast started scratching their heads early on, and pondering about the upcoming training, recruitment, and junior lifeguard programs, etc. Seasonal lifeguards' stomachs began to turn as news of beach



closures and program cancellations started hitting the news. However, after decades of disaster preparedness brought about by lessons learned from 9/11, HIV, and SWR, a host of new acronyms like ICS, USAR, WMD, etc., began appearing --and meant two things for lifeguards: more winter trainings for permanents and more winter hours for hourly/seasonals!

So, when Covid hit, many lifeguards in Southern California were recruited. Obviously, any government body having EMTs on its payroll, will put them to work during a pandemic. It seemed like lifeguards were finally part of a really big national picture.

So off the lifeguards went, without hesitation, with a sense of duty, which after all is what we live for ...right? Soon lifeguards from LA County and other agencies were standing in hot parking lots, head to toe in PPE gear, handing out test swabs, repeating the same instructions over and over again, eventually coveting the other lifeguards' assignments in hospital basements with air conditioning ...would the beaches ever reopen again!



Laguna Beach

### ...a Learning Experience

TRACY HILD, Lake Aquatics Manager at Castaic Lake, was assigned to administer Covid-19 tests. She recalls having to learn to...

*"...be more patient. Have more understanding to other's beliefs. It is very diverse in how people are dealing with the pandemic."*

IAN BURTON, Marine Safety Officer for San Clemente put his experience this way...

*"It was horrible - we were getting blamed for the beaches being closed. Much of the public was not happy and we took the brunt of their frustration. The whole world needs to learn to be more kind to each other and have better patience ...myself included!"*

SEAN CARY, Lifeguard Captain from Coronado Beach, while tasked with face mask enforcement and distribution of PPE, felt that his whole role was...

*"...very different from anything I experienced before. The entire beach was off limits for weeks. Mandatory beach closures and clearing the beach and water of patrons was a new experience. Lifeguards will find a way to adapt and overcome."*



Newport Beach - Labor Day 2020

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### Leslie Schwene goes to City Hall (basement ...that is!)

My name is Leslie Schwene and I am a Seasonal Lifeguard Supervisor for the City of Huntington Beach Fire Department, Marine Safety Division. In mid-March 2020, my division chief contacted me and asked if I would be interested



in assisting with the COVID-19 response that the City was going to be doing. I was asked to support this response because I have a master's degree in Emergency and Disaster Management. When I got this degree, I wasn't sure how I would utilize it in a traditional way with wanting to pursue a career in Marine Safety. For three months, from March to June, I worked in the City of Huntington Beach's Emergency Operations Center as the EM/Liaison Officer. I was tasked with attending Operations briefings and Executive Team briefings throughout the week and providing a daily Situation Report for 12 weeks to high-level city employees. In addition to this, I supported the Planning Section Chief with updates to the COVID-19 Incident Action Plan (IAP) for each operational period which ranged from daily to every other day to weekly as time went on. During these three months there were various civil unrest events and protests that required increased city and mutual



Huntington Beach Civic Center

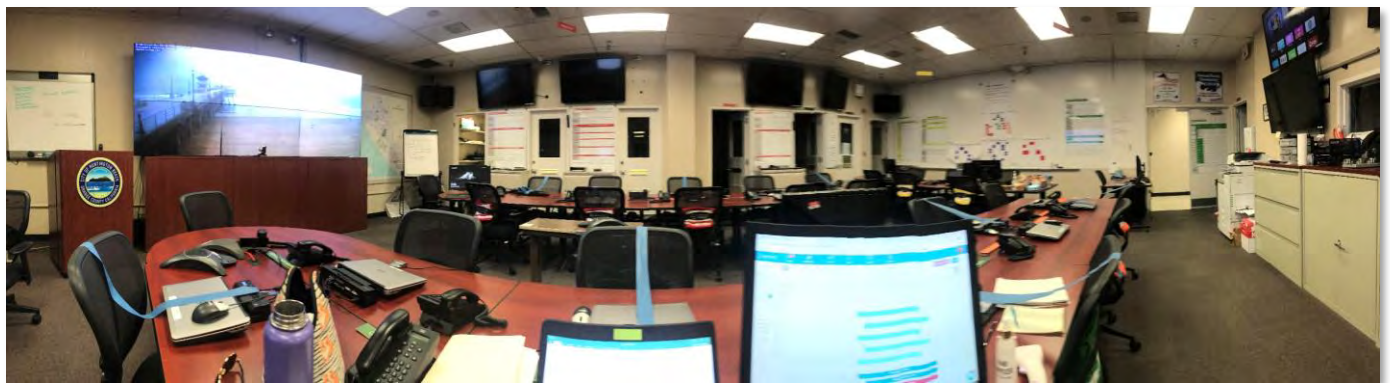
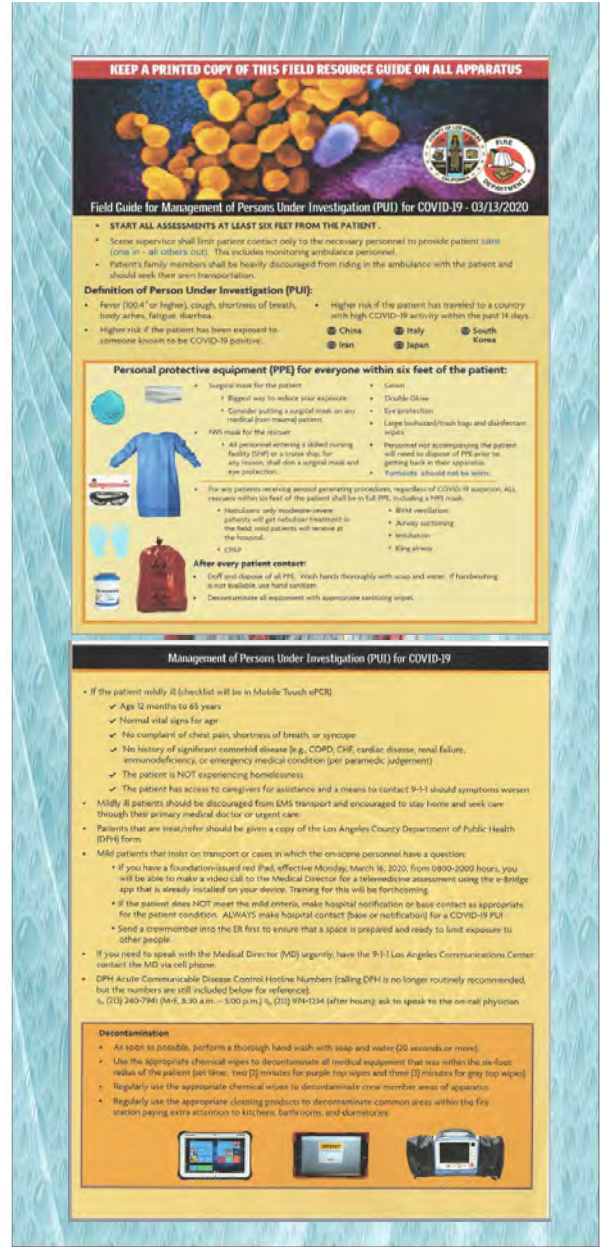
aid resources. I assisted in writing and updating the Event Action Plan (EAP) for the different events and worked in the EOC during some of the events.

I also supported the Logistics Section with monitoring and inputting resource requests for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) through the Orange County Web-EOC program.

In addition to reassigning me to this role in the Emergency Operations Center, two Marine Safety Officers were also temporarily reassigned to work with the Public Information Officer team. One of them was



working on videos and media and the other was instrumental in creating content for the city's public outreach, particularly on social media and in signage found throughout the city because of his background as a graphic designer. ###



Huntington Beach Emergency Operations Center (EOC)



## E. Carl Drake

Carl was born in January of 1951 at Camp Pendleton in San Diego County. His father was in the Navy, and soon he was transferred to Hawaii where Carl spent his elementary school days learning how to surf, dive and swim in the ocean. When Carl's dad retired, they moved back to Orange County and lived in Garden Grove.



## Carl's Life



Carl swam and played water polo at Rancho Alamos High (grad 1969), Santa Ana College (AA in 1971) and UC Davis (degree in economics 1973).  
... was a seasonal lifeguard at Huntington from 1972-1974.  
... became a permanent lifeguard at Huntington in 1975, and a Peace Officer in 1976.  
... transferred to San Clemente as a permanent lifeguard in 1977.  
... ran statewide lifeguard training from 1975-1980, replacing Eric Emery. Because he was one of the few EMT's back then.  
... was a rescue boat operator from 1980 to 1988, and continued to fill in as one at Huntington, San Clemente and Santa Cruz until he retired in 2004.  
... participated in the regional and national lifeguard associations.

... loved competing in Lifeguard Competitions and specialized in the surf ski. Even in retirement, he served as a comp judge at major competitions.  
... was a law enforcement supervisor (LGS II) at Huntington from 1988 to 1991.  
... became the State Aquatic Specialist in 1991 and worked in that job until 1996.  
... promoted at DPR HQ to an SPS III position in 1996.  
... became a CEA and was assigned to be the Director of the OHV Division.  
... travelled abroad to places like Peru, Chile (where he trained Lifeguards) New Zealand and Australia.  
... made many foreign friends – it's safe to say that Carl Drake was known worldwide and made many friends in his travels.

In retirement, Carl worked at the Wofford Acres Winery in Camino, Ca. and became expert in the making and especially the tasting of wine. He was always there for the harvest and bottling and eventually drove tractors and transported the grapes in trucks to other vintners for crushing. He developed a wide network of contacts in the world of wines, and often showed up in Southern California with his latest stash of killer stuff.

## Carl's Legacy

Carl died on September 23, 2020 of metastatic prostate cancer which he fought with grace, endurance and courage for 5 years.

Carl is survived by his loving wife, Dori, his two stepdaughters Michelle (Josh) and Nicole (Jeff), 4 grandchildren Jordan, Jenna, Jocelyn and Brielle, Cousin Christie and nephews Christopher and Connor, all from Placerville CA. [\(see video\)](#)



Carl requested that any donations made in his name be made to **"CSLSA Lifesaving Sport"**

(Editor's note: Special thanks to Mike Brouard for his contribution to this story)



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SoCal Paddledown headed back down the coast despite the curtailment of most other ocean programs the year. The Paddle began at Gaviota State Beach on May 26<sup>th</sup>. The paddleboard was then passed along to the next lifeguard service heading south. Over the 250-mile trek, the paddleboard was passed along to more than 50 different lifeguard services. Over 150 lifeguards and junior lifeguards, took turns single-handedly paddling the board down the coast crossing along 5 counties for 3 months.

The “SoCal Paddledown” raises awareness of the John Wayne Cancer Foundation’s (JWCF) “Block The Blaze” skin cancer education.



## Junior Lifeguard's Corner



- CANCELLED PROGRAMS**
- Santa Cruz
  - Pismo Beach
  - Santa Barbara (Hendry's)
  - Ventura County
  - Port Hueneme
  - Los Angeles County Beaches
  - Los Angeles County Lakes
  - Seal Beach
  - Lake Mission Viejo
  - Laguna Beach
  - Del Mar
  - Encinitas
  - Coronado
  - Solana Beach
  - Imperial Beach
  - Los Angeles City
  - California State Parks
  - Camp Pendleton
  - Oceanside

- 2020 JUNIOR LIFEGUARD PROGRAMS IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

- ACTIVE PROGRAMS (with restrictions)**
- Capitola Beach
  - Santa Barbara Beach
  - Carpinteria
  - Long Beach
  - Huntington Beach
  - Newport Beach
  - OC Lifeguards
  - San Clemente
  - San Diego
  - North Island

**CSLSA Grants for Junior Lifeguard Programs.**  
Grant money is available for qualifying Junior Lifeguard programs. See [cslsa.org/juniorguards](https://cslsa.org/juniorguards) for more information.





### Soft Top Surf Rescue

P2P Rescue Soft Tops are designed to be extremely lightweight and durable surf rescue boards. Reinforced nose and tail casings for added protection. Features full-length traction pad and 6 quick-grab high visibility red handles.

\$875 USD  
LENGTH: 10'  
WIDTH: 23 3/4"

\$895 USD  
LENGTH: 11'  
WIDTH: 25"



### Custom Fiberglass Surf Rescue

Custom board designs can serve lifeguards and ocean safety professionals for better use along the diverse coastlines of the world. We use innovative construction to create unmatched product durability and reduce overall board weight.

\$1,500-\$2,500 USD  
LENGTH: 5' - 14'  
WIDTH: 18" - 36"



### PWC Rescue Sled

P2P Rescue Soft Top Sleds are designed to be extremely rigid for stability and feature a unique tail design for better tracking behind your PWC.

\$1,995 USD  
LENGTH: 5'6"  
WIDTH: 35"



### NEW! Junior Guard Boards

Two styles both with our innovative rubber core rescue handles, durable construction, and soft top exterior for safely introducing our kids to the water.

\$495 USD  
LENGTH: 9'  
WIDTH: 24"

\$895 USD  
LENGTH: 9'  
WIDTH: 19"



### NEW! Carbon Race Board

10'6" P2P Carbon Race Boards meet ILS specs with 6 volume size range XXS - XL. Board bag and fin included. Available on West Coast & East Coast pickup for no shipping charge.

**\$1695 USD, WITH BAG & FIN!**

