
CRA has new board chair, + AB 257 may go before voters

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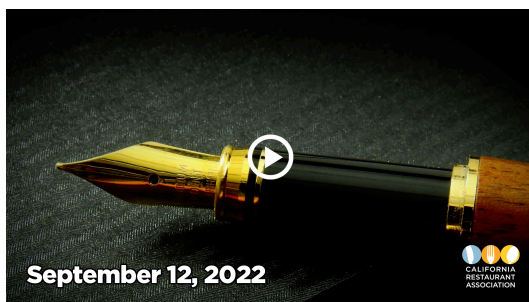
The mission of the California Restaurant Association is to be the definitive voice of the California foodservice industry.



Gary Maggetti, General Manager of Disney California Adventure Park West, is named Chairman of the Board at CRA

“No one knows better than Gary the high stakes that come with running an economically important legacy attraction in California,” said CRA President and CEO, Jot Condie. “He is well-positioned to help our members move past the obstacles of the last two years and look ahead to a brighter future.”

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Will voters agree that counter-service restaurants need to be governed by a “sector council?”

Immediately after Governor Newsom signed AB 257 into law last week, a coalition was formed to take the issue directly to voters. As Sabrina tells us in this week’s *News You Need to Know* video, the CRA will support the coalition, which must collect more than half a million voter signatures by December in order to qualify for the 2024 ballot. As a reminder, AB 257 sidesteps the legislature and California state agencies to hand responsibilities for labor law to an unelected “sector council” to govern counter-service restaurants with 100 or more units nationally.

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Prop 12 reply brief filed by farmers, pork producers

“Any farmers raising pigs that provide pork products to the California market must register and will be required to have California agents inspect their farms, which will create serious biosecurity threats across the country,” said Terry Wolters, president of the National Pork Producers Council.

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2022

Restaurants Care Celebrates CA Wine Month!

September is California Wine Month and Restaurants Care is raising a glass to its incredible Wine Partners **Cakebread Cellars** and **J. Lohr Vineyards & Wine**. These California wineries are invested in supporting those at the heart of our food and beverage community.

See all the activities and specials happening this month.

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The New Financials of Running a Restaurant Wine Program

Some restaurants are finding that a successful wine or cocktail program is more important than ever and could account for a larger share of a restaurant's profit. The higher prices restaurants are paying for food items, supplies and labor have shrunk margins coming from the rest of the menu.

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What's lost when a family-owned diner closes for good?

"The restaurant's last day was slow, a tender mercy on such a difficult occasion. A procession of regulars came in to pay their respects – and to order their favorite dish one last time. There was an acute sense of loss in the air. I felt it myself; I had eaten DeDe's legendary cornflake-battered chicken-fried steak once a week since I first moved to St George in 2020."

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Factory to Table Sale is Coming to LA

The return of an in-person Factory to Table Event in Southern California is happening. You'll receive exclusive access to a vast selection of Le Creuset's premium cookware not typically found in the U.S. All categories will be represented including cast iron, enamel on steel, stainless steel, tools, and accessories.

Buy tickets

CRA News





Winners of the 10th Annual Culinary + Cocktail Clash

This summer, the California Restaurant Foundation matched 11 restaurant brands with student sous chefs to create the ultimate taco as part of the **Culinary Clash**. The challenge? Tacos had to incorporate a Coca-Cola product, a special ingredient from FreshPoint, and more! From vegetarian birria tacos to Coca-Cola carnitas, **see what the teams created**. Winners were announced at the **Cocktail Clash** reception for teams and sponsors on Aug. 30 where Lawry's took home the Tito's Golden Goblet. The event raised \$68,000 to power local high school culinary arts programs! It's never been more important to invest in our future restaurant workforce.

[See winners, photos, and recipes here.](#)



Get to know the California Restaurant Association Certified Employee Training Programs

CRA member feedback led us to partner with Train 321 on a new, efficient and easy-to-use learning platform. Your new hires can dive in and learn quite a lot – even before their first day at work, and



San Diego September Restaurant Week

The 20th Annual San Diego Restaurant Week returns Sunday, September 25 through October 2! Get registered today.

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CRA members can access discounted pricing.

Learn more



Exclusive Health Care Discounts from UnitedHealthcare

UnitedHealthcare offers the multiple health care discounts for CRA members.

Learn more

The California Restaurant Association's New Learning Platform Now Includes Active-Shooter Awareness Presentation

CRA has released a video overview of the things restaurateurs and their employees need to keep in mind if ever they are faced with an active shooter.

Watch now

Event Calendar

SEPT 14

10:00 - 11:00 AM

CRA Legal Center Webinar with Wilson Elser LLP: Overtime Rules- Exempt v. Nonexempt

More Info
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SEPT 25

12:00 AM

San Diego September Restaurant Week

More Info
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SEPT 27

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Fresno CRA Chapter Membership Mixer

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OCT 10

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

2022 Fresno Annual Golf Tournament

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