



**Have an Accident with a State Vehicle?
Report it to the State Office of Risk and
Insurance Management**

The Office of Risk and Insurance Management (ORIM) wants to remind all DAA fairs that any accidents involving state vehicles (including electric golf carts, trams or any other kind of self-propelled land vehicles) must be reported to ORIM.

To help you know what information to report and within what time frame, ORIM has posted step-by-step instructions on their Web site, <http://www.documents.dgs.ca.gov/orim/mvasop.doc>. If you do a lot of driving, it would be a good idea to skim through the instructions ~ even if you have a flawless driving record.

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**Have you Seen CFSA's New and Improved Web site?
It's Your One Stop Resource for Everything CFSA**

How soon after a fair employee is injured do you need to file an Employee's Claim Form? What safety services do members of CFSA's general liability pool receive at no extra charge? What California fair began as a carnival for melons? You'll find the answers to these questions and more at www.cfsa.org, CFSA's newly redesigned, reorganized and rewritten Web site. You'll also find handy staff and board of directors contact lists, information about CFSA's services and

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**New Workers' Compensation Laws
Call for New Employer's Report Form**

Patti Nevin, CFSA's workers' compensation administrator, reports that as of January 1, 2003, when a series of new workers' compensation laws goes into effect, fairs will be required to use a revised version of the "Employer's Report of Occupational Injury or Illness" (Form 5020), if an employee is injured or becomes ill on the job.

As soon as the new form is available, Patti will send each of CFSA's workers' compensation pool member fairs an ample supply. If the revised form isn't ready for distribution by January 1, 2003, simply continue using the forms you have.

Questions? Talk to Patti at 916/263-6172.

**Reminder for all DAAs:
PST Administration Fee Was Raised in January 2002**

In charge of your DAA fair's PST (Part Time, Seasonal, Temporary) Employees Retirement Program? (If not, make sure whoever is in charge sees this article!) Next time you send your employee contribution check to CFSA, double check to make sure your administration fee total reflects the fee's January 1, 2002 increase to \$4.45 per employee. *If you have any questions about what this fee covers, please contact Rick Wood, 916/263-6147.*

**CFSA Awarded
CAJPA "Accreditation
with Excellence"**

Charlie Mitchell, CFSA's risk manager, reports that CFSA has once again received an "Accreditation with Excellence" from CAJPA, the California Association of Joint Powers Associations.

The purpose of the accreditation...
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**Equipment Financing
Program Interest Rate
Drops to 5 Percent**

If your fair could use a particular piece of equipment right now, but you'd rather not expense it all at once through your annual budget, CFSA's Equipment Financing Program could be the answer. Best of all, the program's interest rate of 5 percent is the lowest it's ever been (the previous

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Let's Go to the Fair

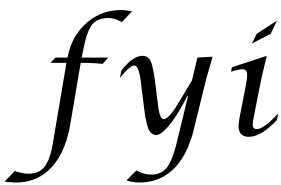
The total paid attendances of 16 out of the 23 fairs tallied were up this year. Entertainment included in the price of admission was cited several times as a real crowd pleaser. Here's how it all adds up:

2002: 1,221,277 patrons
2001: 1,180,235 patrons
Total: + 41,042 patrons
Up: +3.47



**CFSA's next board meeting:
Tuesday, October 1, 2002**
What takes place during a CFSA board meeting? Plan to attend Tuesday, October 1, 2002, and see for yourself. To ensure adequate seating, please RSVP to Donna Horner ahead of time, 916/921-2213.

"You know there is a problem with the education system when you realize that out of the three Rs, only one begins with an R."
~ Dennis Miller



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Let's hear from you!
Contact *fyi* at:
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Visit our new Web site at:
www.cfsa.org

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"I have a stepladder. It's a very nice stepladder, but it's sad that I never knew my real ladder."
~ Craig Charles

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In the meantime, here are a few tips on what to do and what *not* to do immediately following an accident:

- At the accident scene, do not admit fault or make any promises that the state will pay for any damages.
- Complete the Std 269 card that should be in your vehicle's glove compartment and write down as much information as you can. Tear off the perforated section and give it to the other driver (involved party) so they can contact you later.
- If a non-state party is injured or if the other party suffers significant property damage, report the accident to ORIM by phone at 916/376-5302 or 916/376-5300.
- Complete Std 270, the "Vehicle Accident Report" form, as soon as possible and have your supervisor or safety coordinator review and sign it.
- The *original* Std 270 must be mailed to ORIM within 48 hours following the accident. Address it to:
ORIM, Claims Unit
707 Third Street
West Sacramento, CA 95608

If contacted by the other driver, their insurance company or their attorney, don't give any written or recorded statements, refer them to ORIM. *If you have any questions regarding accidents involving state-owned vehicles, call ORIM at 916/376-5302, 916/376-5300.*

CFSA's New and Improved Web site, continued...

programs, even step-by-step instructions for filling out workers' compensation and general liability claims forms.

The Web site is designed, first and foremost, to provide CFSA's members with quick, easy, at-your-fingertips information during the times when a CFSA representative isn't immediately available, such as after regular business hours, during holidays or on weekends. (You'll also find emergency after-hours phone numbers in case only a CFSA representative will do.) Non-members and others unfamiliar with CFSA's services and programs, will also find a wealth of interesting facts, tips and information.

Review the New Site

While you're visiting the new Web site, take a few minutes to share your ideas and suggestions for improvement by filling out the evaluation survey:

<http://www.cfsa.org/sitemap/review.htm>

To thank you for sharing your opinions, CFSA will automatically enter you into a drawing for a snazzy CFSA T-shirt once your survey is received.

Prefer to talk to the Webmaster? Contact Melissa Thurber at 916/263-6163 or mthurber@cfsa.org.

"Accreditation with Excellence," continued...

tation program is to recognize self-insurance pools that meet CAJPA's strict qualifications. The excellence rating acknowledges that CFSA exceeds CAJPA's high standards in all areas of business. CFSA has been an accredited CAJPA member "with excellence" since 1997.

To earn the accreditation, CFSA's programs, services and business operations were carefully reviewed by a CAJPA consultant and CAJPA's board of directors. CFSA sees the review as a way to not only measure the Authority's overall effectiveness, but also to build the fairs' confidence in CFSA's risk-sharing pools and operations, to assure CFSA's board that the agency is operating at a professional level, and to assure state regulators and legislators that California's JPAs are financially secure and self-regulating.

To learn more about CFSA's reaccreditation, call Charlie Mitchell at 916/263-6150.

Equipment Financing, continued...

rate was 8.5 percent).

Available exclusively to CFSA pool member fairs, the program is funded with money set aside by resolution of CFSA's board of directors from CFSA's risk pool reserves. The 5 percent interest rate is assessed on the loan payments to reimburse the risk pools for lost interest. *Want to know more? Please call Raechelle Gibbons at 916/263-6143.*