



THE PULSE: Sacramento Chapter Newsletter

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Sacramento Chapter Update

This has been an exciting summer. Our last chapter meeting was amazing. We celebrated Judy Kelleher's birthday, founder of ENA and the Sacramento chapter, by sending her roses and singing her "Happy Birthday" over the phone. Debby Rogers was recognized for her induction into the Academy of Emergency Nursing at the Scientific Assembly in San Antonio next month. Debbie will then be a Fellow (FAEN). Also, Dr. Tzimenatos gave a very informative and timely lecture on Pertussis.

Officers: There have been lots of changes; starting with Kristen Connor stepping into the role as President in June. She will continue in this position until the end of 2011. Marcus Godfrey moves on to the President-Elect of the CalENA in 2011. Our other chapter officers for 2011 will be Marion Korin, President-Elect and Deb Trainor, Secretary/Treasurer.

Communications: The board and chairpersons have been instrumental in expanding the chapter's position in internet-based communications, education and government affairs. The chapter has now begun to use MailChimp.com for delivery of all e-mail communications. We used SurveyMonkey.com for our 2011 chapter officer elections quite successfully. Most recently SurveyMonkey.com was used for a survey to evaluate the chapter and solicit volunteers and suggestions for improvement. Thus far, we have had helpful feedback.

Meetings and reaching beyond Sacramento: With the physical distance within our chapter's boundaries being so vast, we have found it difficult to reach out to all members besides e-mail. The board has decided to begin investigating ways to expand our ability to meet people through video conferencing and board members traveling to the outlying hospitals. **If anyone is interested in hosting a chapter meeting in 2011, please contact the board at sacnaboard@ymail.com.**

Education: Our educational event, Emergency Symposium, is coming October 12-13 at UCD in Sacramento. It is being taught by emergency nurses and physicians from all over the state of California. For the first time ever, our members can use PayPal to register and pay. We will be having a chapter meeting with a catered dinner following the 2 day event. Members can visit the Sacramento Chapter website to view the flyer, pay for the event, and RSVP for the dinner.

Leg Day: The Sacramento Chapter Government Affairs Committee is beginning to plan for the

2011 Legislative Event in Sacramento. We will be hosting this event with the California GAC. Anyone interested to helping out please send the board an e-mail.

We are excited about all of the ideas and changes.

State Council Updates

E-mail: State wide e-mail system still not up and running. We will continue using MailChimp for chapter mailings. A new provider will be available soon at no charge to the chapters.

Newsletter: Submission deadline is October 1. Feel free to submit articles, pictures, information, etc.

CalENA History: Our Historian, Liz Taylor, has completed a revised edition of "*Road Runner-CalENA History Booklet*". We have a fascinating past and even more amazing future ahead of us. Check it out on the CalENA website or follow the link at <http://www.calena.us/Other%20files/Road%20Runners%202010.pdf>

Other news: State Council voted to support the "Regional Hospital Association Patient Safety Collaboratives on Sepsis". This collaborative is possible through funding from Anthem Blue Cross. ED leadership and staff are instrumental in the early detection and early goal directed therapy of sepsis. Our roles helps decrease length of stays and mortality related to sepsis and septic shock.

State Council also voted to support a research study directed at evaluating the effectiveness of the ED crowding tool, CALDOCS (another form known as NEDOCS). This study will also help recognize the identifiers that make this tool most efficient and applicable to all hospitals.

Calendar of Events 2010

September 21-25, 2010 ENA General/Scientific Assembly, San Antonio, TX

October 11-15, 2010 Emergency Nurse's Week

October 12-13, 2010 Sacramento Chapter Emergency Symposium, UCDCM MIND Institute, Sacramento

October 13, 2010 Emergency Nurse's Day. Sac Chapter meeting and dinner, UCDCM MIND Institute, Sacramento (Please RSVP)

November 9, 2010 Butte County EMS Symposium, Enloe Conference Center, Chico

November 11-12, 2010 CalENA State Council Meeting, Huntington Beach

November 16, 2010 13th Annual EMS for Children Conference, Doubletree Hotel, Sacramento

December 2, 2010 Sac Chapter meeting, TBD

Calendar of Events 2011

**** Sac Chapter meetings in Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec- location and time TBD****

February 16-20, 2011 ENA Leadership Conference, Portland, OR

March 8-10, 2011 CalENA Legislative Event and State Council meeting, Sacramento (hosted by Sacramento Chapter)

May 12-13, 2011 CalENA State Council meeting, Long Beach

August 11-12, 2011 CalENA State Council meeting, Monterey

September 20-24, 2011 ENA General/Scientific Assembly, Tampa, Florida

November 10-11, 2011 CalENA State Council Meeting, San Diego