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Greetings from Sacramento! It's an exciting time for—much is being done to reorganize and energize our chapter. The wheels are in motion for some positive change. Read ahead to learn about what's been done and what's coming ahead.

December 2008 Sacramento Chapter Meeting

Turnout for the December meeting was impressive. Members in attendance agreed that our chapter needs more exposure and agreed to 6 meetings in the next year. In order to accommodate as many members as possible, meetings will alternate between Sacramento and Solano Counties, the two largest in the Sacramento chapter. Meetings will be held the first Thursday of even-numbered months. The next meeting will be in Solano County, location to be announced, on February 5, 2009.

In addition, an Education committee was formed, comprised of Heather Venezia, Kathy Sepulveda, Jennifer Denno and Judy Scott as the Board Liaison. Future establishment of other committees was also discussed.

Elections were held for the Sacramento Chapter! Please welcome Marcus Godfrey as President-Elect and Marion Korin as Secretary/Treasurer-Elect.

January 2009 State Council Meeting by Jennifer Denno, RN

I attended the ENA State Board Meeting held in San Francisco in early January 2009. The Board reviewed items from the National Leadership. One of the topics was reducing the number of delegates each state can send to the General Assembly that takes place at the Scientific Convention (this year in Baltimore in October). There was some lively discussion as some members want to help reduce the costs the state takes on with our many delegates but other members pointed out we would lose in our voting percentage.

There was an update for the next state meeting to be held in Palm Springs in May in conjunction with the CFED West Seminar. They reviewed the annual budget in detail.



The Board also discussed locations for next year and then each committee member present gave updates. The legislative chair was very interesting, speaking about different bills Cal ENA is supporting and the process.

The minutes of this meeting and much more information can be viewed on the state website: www.calena.net. It was a great opportunity to see our leaders in action!

February 2009 Sacramento Chapter Meeting

The next meeting will be held February 5, hosted by VacaValley Hospital Emergency Services. Seth Kaufman, MD, will be the guest speaker at the meeting. He will be presenting a lecture, "Chemical Warfare Agents." One CEU will be awarded for attendance. Meeting details are as follows:

February 5, 2009 1830-2100
VacaValley Health Plaza
1010 Nut Tree Road
2nd Floor, Suite 240
Vacaville, CA 95687

March 2009 SOAR Leadership conference

The leadership conference is right around the corner! This year the conference is being held in Reno, NV, providing an excellent opportunity for Sacramento Chapter members to attend. The conference is March 4-8. Registration is open at this time. If you have not attended a national ENA conference, this is a perfect time to start! More information can be found at

<http://www.ena.org/conferences/leadership/2009/default.asp>

ED Nuts and Bolts- September 2009

This year's educational event is a two-day workshop entitled "ED Nuts and Bolts." Jeff Solheim is presenting. Jeff was the presenter at our 2008 educational event and received rave reviews. This year's workshop promises to be just as rewarding! Our educational events are very important as fundraisers for the chapter. Because of the success of 2008's workshop, the Sacramento chapter was able to help fund delegates attending the National Conference. "ED Nuts and Bolts" will be held in Solano County, September 8 and 9. Save the Date!

Sacramento Chapter Meetings

Are you interested in attending or sponsoring a Sacramento Chapter meeting? We are looking for hospitals in Sacramento and Solano counties that would be interested in sponsoring a chapter meeting. If you are interested in sponsoring a meeting please contact Judy Scott at jascottrn@comcast.net.

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