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Message from the President

Hello Sacramento Chapter! I hope all is going well for you during this hot and smoke filled summer. Please remember to take care of yourself during the heat. I hope you get the opportunity to spend some well deserved time with your loved ones. This like most summer seasons will be busy.

There are a couple of upcoming events that I wanted to take a moment to tell you about (or remind you about).

July, 2008 CEN Review

As I write this the Sacramento Chapter is putting the final touches on our CEN Review Course. The course will be held on July 30 & 31st at San Joaquin General Hospital in French Camp, CA. I would like to thank San Joaquin General Hospital for providing the space for this class, in particular the education department who has been wonderful. There is still space available. Please contact Judy Scott if you are interested in attending.

August, 2008 State Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Cal ENA Board and State Council is scheduled on August 14 & 15th in Santa Barbara. Members are not only welcome to the meetings - they are embraced. We love to have first time attendees and would be thrilled to have a stronger Sacramento presence. If anyone has questions about what to expect at a State Council meeting please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at anna.valdez@calena.us.

September, 2008 General Assembly and Scientific Conference

Finally, the annual conference is right around the corner. This year we will be meeting in Minneapolis, MN. The General Assembly is scheduled for September 24 & 25th and the Scientific Assembly will be held on September 25-27th. Sacramento will be sending 4 delegates to General Assembly to represent you and your nurse colleagues across the state including 1 first time delegate! Congratulations to Cecil Gowan. We look forward to seeing you there.

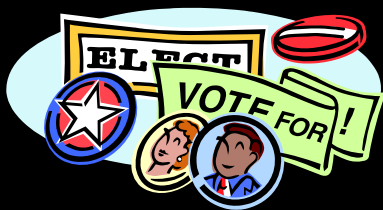


Emergency Nurses... ★

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This year at the General Assembly we will be looking at clinical best practices and bylaw amendments. Currently, I am still waiting for the final proposal information but I will update you on what happened in Minneapolis when I get back home.

October, 2008 National Emergency Nurses Week

Every year the Sacramento Chapter leadership discusses how we can best celebrate emergency nurses in our local area. We have recently tried a luncheon with give aways but turnout was very low. We want to honor each of you for the important work that you do but honestly we are not sure how to accomplish this other than extending a heartfelt thanks. Emergency Nurses Week is October 5-11th. We would love to hear your thoughts about how we can better support you and honor the work that you do every day. Please let us know if you have any great celebration ideas.

You are after all... *SIMPLY THE BEST!*

Warm Regards,

Anna

Sacramento Chapter Meetings

Are you interested in attending or sponsoring a Sacramento Chapter meeting? To date we have had challenges with poor attendance at scheduled meetings. We are looking for hospitals 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.

Sacramento Chapter Elections

Are you interested in becoming more involved at the local level? We would love to have our members get more involved in chapter leadership roles. If you are interested in running for a leadership position please contact Judy Scott at jascottrn@comcast.net. There is a list of duty descriptions for each chapter role on the Sacramento Chapter web site at: <http://www.calena.us/Sacramento%20Chapter.htm>. Click on Sacramento Policies and Procedures for a complete list of leadership duties and chapter standard operating procedures.

Nominations for the election must be received by Judy no later than September 1, 2008.