#### CAPITAL VALLEY IPSSA CHAPTER



# Water Watcher

JANUARY 2014

Mark your calendars!

**MEETINGS:** 

Members <u>must</u> make a February or March meeting.

February 5th, 2014 8990 Kruitof Way, Fair Oaks, 95628

> 6:30 pm Dinner 7:00 -9:00 pm Meeting

**UPCOMING:** 

March 5th, 2014

April 2nd, 2014

Friday May 2nd, 2014 May Table Top and BBQ

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# President's Message

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a fun filled relaxing Christmas Holiday break. Thank you to everyone who attended the Capital Valley IPSSA Christmas Party. The turn out was great, the food was delicious, and everybody had a fantastic time, especially the kids. Larry Hughes did a wonderful job putting this event together. Larry, Thank you very much for bringing us all together again, it was a very special night. Linda Eggers and Jillian Simon did a nice job on the decorations, the raffle and silent auction. Thank you very much ladies. We very much appreciate Santa, Jack Emlay, and Sophia Stinson the cute energetic elf, for hanging out all night for pictures and for passing out those gigantic candy canes everybody loves. The Sacramento Sheriff's Toy project brought out their color guard and the toy shop. The kids built toy sheriff cars this year. We all appreciate everything the Sacramento Sheriffs do for our community including taking part in our event each year. Capital Valley IPSSA had another successfully fun charity event. We raised over \$4500 for The Sacramento's Sherriff's Toy Project, not including the toys and the money still coming in for donations. Everyone really came through with some great donations, Thank you so much. Our Chapter Supporters donated some great prizes for our raffle, and silent auction, which helped raise money for the donations to the Sacramento Sherriff's Toy Project. Chem Quip, thank you for sponsoring the Casino Night it was a big success, and the feedback from it has been great. During the awards part of our night, George Stevenson received the Presidents Award, and I would like to tell you all a little about George, and you will see why I felt George deserved this special recognition.

What's there to say about George Stevenson that hasn't already been said. What a character. It turns out there is a lot to say. I want to list a few of the things I didn't know. George has worked in the industry for 45 years. He started working for Laars which became Teledyne Laars, then Jandy, and is now currently Zodiac, Jandy, Polaris. He worked in manufacturing, sales, and training for Raypack as The National Director of Training. He started Hot Water Works in 1993. Then he added the title of President of the Los Angeles Chapter of NSPI to his repertoire. Some of you may remember NSPI, it had a name change too. It's now APSP. If George wasn't busy enough he added teaching to his growing list of accolades. He taught training classes at both the PIE and Western Pool and Spa Shows. He also taught classes at other national shows too. This next stat shocked me but was very impressive. George has trained conservatively well over 50,000 people in the pool and spa industry. George joined Capital Valley IPSSA in 1993 after moving to this area in 1992. If you

do the math this is his 21st year with our chapter. He was president of Capital Valley IPSSA for two years, when there was a two year cap on presidency terms. He probably would have gone longer. He taught Tech 1, Tech 2 and CPO classes. He taught CPO for our chapter for five years. George has been Sick Route Chairman, Table Top Chairman, Chapter Supporter Chairman, Christmas Party Chairman, committee volunteer for Santa Summer Getaway and has been Sergeant of Arms at most of the board meetings I have attended. I think it was his favorite job. If you've ever attended a board meeting with him you'd know why. George is the reason why our chapter has included fund raising for charities at most of our events. He pushed for three years to get the board to start fundraising first for Toys for Tots and then he found The Sacramento Sheriff's Toy Project. So in all of those years of work and volunteering the toughest job George may have had was teaching Shaleen Stevenson, his lovely wife, how to fix heaters. George is still teaching CPO, and volunteering his time with the Santa Summer Getaway, and participates as a member at our chapter meetings. George has done so much for the industry and our chapter. He helped shape our chapter into what it is today. George Stevenson, Thank you for everything, you are the master of your craft and the inspiration and legacy of our chapter.

**Thank you** everyone, (Chapter Members, Chapter Supporters, and Volunteers) personally from the bottom of my heart for participating this last year in meetings, chapter events, and fundraising, its all appreciated. After being President for a term, I realize how very important every person involved in our organization is. The membership, leadership, and chapter supporters are the best networking group there is. We are capable of so much as a group. It's so important not to miss meetings or events this chapter has. We are a social family that provides support, education, networking, reward and friendships. Capital Valley IPSSA is a reliable part of all of our lives.

Good luck this year everyone. Find happiness, healthiness, and wealth for this New Year and keep positive. Pray for rain! Go Niners!

First Chapter Meeting of the year at the VFW Wednesday, February 5th, 2014 at 7pm. Pizza at 6:30pm with Pizza from Monte Routon at American Leak Detection. Thank you Monte!

"Keep up the good work"

Sincerely,
Gregg Simon
President Capital Valley IPSSA Chapter
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Have information to include?

Please send it to

contactus@pollywogpools.com
by the 20th to be included next month.
We are always looking for industry news, event,
stories, and pictures.

Want to help with this or many other volunteer positions?

Contact one of our board members today!



### ~Classified Section~

This section is for members who would like to advertise the selling or buying of their pools, looking for subcontractors, selling pool related stuff, buying pool related stuff, etc... (contact contactus@pollywogpools.com to include your classified ad) WELCOME

Rich Lynch

**Capital Valley IPSSA Chapter** 

**Vice President** 



**Meeting Wednesday February 5th** 

**Possible CHP Demonstration** 

Round Table PIZZA generously donated by

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### Sick Route

To All Members:

Please be looking for your 2014 Sick Route Packet via email. You will find a letter, summary card, sick leave card and a copy of the sick route coverage plan. Please take a few minutes to read through the letter and the sick route coverage plan. Your completed summary card is due January 31, 2014. Last year we received several cards that were incomplete. Please fill in all the blanks and don't forget to sign the summary card at the bottom of the page.

As summary cards are received, your name will be added to the list on our Capital Valley website: http://www.cvipssa.com/sickroute.html.

If you have any questions, feel free to ask.

Thank you,

Karl Eggers, Chairman

c/o Capital Valley IPSSA Sick Route Committee

(916) 521-7168





## FREE SPRING TRAINING SEMINAR

**January 28, 2014** 

Clarion Inn & Suites 4319 East Waterloo Rd. Stockton, CA 95215

**January 30, 2014** 

Clarion Inn & Suites 1050 Burnett Ave Concord, CA 94520

7:30 AM – 11:30 AM Continental Breakfast Provided

Limited Reservations
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# Capital Valley IPSSA Chapter



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# Thank you from Capital Valley IPSSA Chapter!

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### They are here to help you be your best!

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