

# Water Watcher

**JULY 2012** 

8990 Kruitof Way, Fair Oaks, 95628

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### **UPCOMING SPEAKERS**

July Dark

August **David Hawes** 

September John Adams Handy

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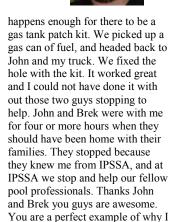
# President's Message

The summer heat is finally here. Hope everyone is having a great summer. Business is booming I've noticed our suppliers have been busy and there's a whole lot more pool guys on the road. Maybe things are starting to improve.

The Capital Valley IP-SSA leadership is coming up with some great ideas for improving our chapter and making it better for all of its members. We are now featuring in our newsletter a monthly article highlighting a chapter member and their business. We are calling it the Capital Valley IPSSA Partnership Program. Signing up for this program will help you network within our chapter. You will be able to submit an article about yourself, family, business, specialties, etc. During your featured month you, myself, or anyone you would like to represent you and your company, can talk for a couple of minutes at our chapter meeting, much like our chapter supporters do. There will be a directory in our news letter, much like our chapter supporters have, with all of your contact information listed. We now have a Capital Valley IPSSA Facebook page where you will be acknowledged, as well as the Capital Valley IPSSA web site. The listings are all for a period of one year. We already started with Carl and Linda Eggers from Deep Blue Pools last month, and have received great feedback about their article. This program not only helps with raising much needed funds for our chapter but gets you and your company out there networking in our chapter and beyond. We may add more to this program as we go along and the list is already growing. We are looking for feedback about this program, so let me know what you think or if you have any ideas. To sign up please contact me at (916)536-9165.

This month I realized

another great reason why I am proud to be a Capital Valley IPSSA member. With out IPSSA, I may have never had the chance to know all the wonderful people in our chapter. On a Friday evening this last month, during rush hour traffic, on Highway 50, I was in the fast lane heading to Folsom. I was on the way to help one last customer for the night before heading home when suddenly my engine dies and I have to coast off the shoulder of the freeway. I realize the fuel in my tank, that I had just topped of that morning, is now gone. I'm out of gas! Upon further investigation I discover there is a hole drilled in the bottom of my gas tank. I called my insurance company immediately, and they call three different towing companies. Shortly after I hang up, the insurance company calls me back and tells me the towing companies refused to help, because the Freeway Service Patrol is responsible for helping stranded drivers on the freeway. I was instructed to call 511 to have Freeway Service Patrol respond. While waiting, John Adams Handy with Hayward Pool Products, a chapter supporter, and Brek Peterson with Brek's Pool Service, a chapter member, shows up on the scene. They both stopped to help. I told them not to worry, go on home I had someone on the way to help. They said they would wait till someone showed up. It was a good thing because the CHP showed up and said Freeway Service Patrol stopped at 6pm. The CHP offered to push my truck off the freeway where a towing company would then be able to help. This would damage my bumper. Brek and John advised me to use them instead. John stayed on the side of the freeway to guard my truck, and Brek and I went to get fuel and something to plug the hole in my tank. We found a gas tank patch kit at Oriley Auto Parts, apparently this

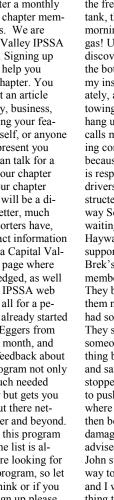


Warning! If you have a plastic fuel tank on your truck beware, this is yet another thing to worry about. People can not only fit under your truck to steal catalytic converters, but they will drill or punch holes in your gas tank to steal gas. I believe that my tank was drilled and harvested for a couple of gallons of gas, while I was getting parts in Rancho Cordova. This was during a very busy part of the afternoon and in broad daylight with dozens of people all around. This person put me and the general public at risk for a crime that only saved him a few dollars.

volunteer for this organization.

Please make it to the August chapter meeting; we will have a very special guest David Hawes who is coming in from out of town just to give us a very informational presentation on how to be better at everything. This is not something you can afford to miss. If you do, the rest of the chapter may know more about something than you do. Monte from American Leak Detection will be bringing pizza. Thank you in advance Monte. See you all there.

"Keep up the good work" Sincerely, Gregg Simon Capital Valley I.P.S.S.A. President









### Come Join Capital Valley IPSSA For The Best Yet Santa's Summer Getaway

Dates: Friday afternoon through Sunday afternoon, September 14 - 16, 2012

Place: Sly Park Recreation Area, Group Camp Site 5

4771 Sly Park Road, Pollock Pines (off Highway 50 and Sly Park Road)

(530) 295-6824

Price: \$35 per adult (age 14 and over)

\$15 per child (age 5-13)

Under 5 Free

What you get: Camping for 2 nights at Sly Park Recreation area, breakfast on Saturday and Sunday mornings; dinner and dessert on Friday and Saturday nights, crafts for the kids, campfires, many recreational activities, and 2 days with nothing to do but have fun – no cooking, clean-up or hassle!

Need more info: General Info: Jack Emlay at <a href="mailto:ijemlay@comcast.net">jiemlay@comcast.net</a>

Activity Suggestions: Linda Eggers at <a href="mailto:linda@deepbluepool.com">linda@deepbluepool.com</a>

Reservations: Shaleen Stevenson at hotwaterworks@hotmail.com

Make checks payable to Capital Valley IPSSA and mail with registration form to: Shaleen Stevenson, 5228 Wagon Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628

\_\_\_\_ I'll be using a tent (# of tents \_\_\_\_\_ ft.)



IPSSA's new executive director Amy Nijjar met with regional directors Adam Morley and Elias Duran at the Disney Paradise Pier Hotel, which will be the site for the 2013 IPSSA Leadership Weekend.

Amy Nijjar starts working for Lester Management Services (the association management firm that has provided executive management to IPSSA since 2002) in June and is diving right into her new responsibilities as IPSSA's executive director. Vickie Lester, who has served as executive director for ten years, said to the IPSSA BORD, "I am excited to bring Amy into my business to work with IPSSA. She is a skilled association management professional and will provide IPSSA with excellent service." Vickie and the rest of her staff aren't going away. They will still be involved in IPSSA's daily operations, with Amy taking over many of the responsibilities. Amy comes to IPSSA with much experience as an association professional, having served previously as executive director for the Orange County chapter of Community Associations Institute and a recent stint for the Northwest Sportfishing Industry Association.

#### FaceBook Administrator Wanted

The Capital Valley Chapter is searching for someone to be the administrator for our Facebook page. We would like to help the members of the Chapter keep in touch and stay updated with important information! Contact Gregg for details at (916) 879-6923.

## Sick Route Corner

- Jon Johnson is out on sick leave
  - Pools have been dispatched

Thank you to those that have been assigned pools and are servicing them.

Remember to treat these pools as you would want your pools to be treated!

# ~Classified Section~

This section is for members who would like to advertise the selling or buying of their pools, looking for sub-contractors, selling pool related stuff, buying pool related stuff, etc... (send an email to jneronde@yahoo.com to include your classified ad)

# **VAC-ALERT FOR SALE**

The chapter has a VA-2000L we need to convert to cash.
Wholesale is \$499.00. We are asking \$400.00.
Contact Jack Emlay, 530-644-7750, <u>JJEMLAY@COMCAST.NET</u>.

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# Insurance Membership Education Networking Friendship



Newsletters are being sent out via e-mail! If you do not receive a newsletter via e-mail its because the IPSSA financial office does not have your e-mail address. Please e-mail me at jneronde@yahoo.com and I will be sure to add you to the list.

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Valley Leak Detection	Jeff Smith	(916) 863-7362

Chapter Supporters if your name is not on this list and you believe it should be please contact our program chairman George Stevenson (916) 863-1700.

If you are a Chapter Supporter and are interested in submitting monthly articles, or news, please e-mail info and artwork to Jennifer Neronde at jneronde@yahoo.com. The deadline is the **20th** of the month for the following months issue. Thank you.