January Chapter News:

We will try a new venue for our monthly meetings starting with this Tuesday's 2012 Inaugural session, featuring Jess Traver, P.E., Director of Governmental Affairs at the Builders Association of No. NV (BANN). Jess will do a presentation about the local construction economy and BANN's outlook for 2012. These meetings featuring Jess are usually well attended, so come early. In February, we will revert back to our former meeting day, the 2nd Wed of each month, but will continue at the new venue.

We will switch locations from the Round Table on Vine to the Los Compadres Mexican Restaurant on the northwest corner of So. Virginia and Foothill Road, across from Winco. Access and parking is off the first right hand turn on Foothill. We would like the members to try to arrive by 11:45 to insure their lunch choices get to the kitchen in time to be delivered around noon. The following limited menu will be supplemented by drinks, chips and salsa. Meal choices are as follows:

- Cheese Enchilada
- Chile Relleno
- Chicken or Beef Taco
- Chicken or Beef Enchilada
- Pork Tamale
- Bean Tostada

All lunch plates are served with rice and whole or refried beans. We will institute a modest lunch fee of $5/ month, collected at meeting sign-in. Fee includes meal, drinks and tip for this waitered, serviced lunch experience. A tremendous bargain! We hope that this change is favorable to our members. We believe it will be a good move and will attract new professionals involved in the plumbing and mechanical industries.

Election of Officers at January Meeting:

We will hold the election of Officers for the 2012 Calendar year at this first meeting. We have the following members who have thrown their hat into the ring to commit to this next election cycle: Jeff Karhohs - Chairman, Alan Bennett - Vice Chairman, Barry Goff - Treasurer and Frank Sterzinar - Secretary.
Election of Officers at January Meeting (continued):

Leonard Ramociotti will step down this year from active involvement but will remain associated with the group as a Past Chairman Emeritus. Jim Roberts has agreed to participate as an Executive Committee Member. If anyone else is interested in serving as an officer of the No. NV IAPMO Chapter for this 2012 Session, please contact Jeff Karhohs immediately so their name(s) can be added to the (voice) ballet list.

2012 Membership Chapter Dues:

Hey, good news in a tight economy!! We will NOT raise our 2012 local chapter dues. They will be payable at the meeting on Tuesday. Annual Chapter Dues will remain at $40.00, which is a fully deductible business expense. This fee augments the Los Compadres meeting lunch expense (let's face it, $5 is a great deal for a quality Mexican plate lunch). No meetings will be held in July or August. Single meeting/guest lunch fees for non-members will be $10/session.

Once again, we ask that any individuals, contractors, engineers and governmental agencies with an interest in the plumbing/mechanical trades and associated building code interpretation and implementation to please consider supporting our group with their membership and meeting attendance. Our speaker list is mostly varied and relevant. Please call Jeff Karhohs at (775) 771-3144 for more information.

February 8th Meeting:

Dwight Perkins, IAPMO National Field Service Manager, will swear in our new officers and present a short history on the IAPMO organization and discuss other pertinent items relating to the 2012 code revision.

December Meeting Notes:

We had our 2nd Annual IAPMO/Code Olympics, hosted by Leonard Ramociotti. After a slow start, the Roberts, Lowery and Canale team ended up a dead heat with the Goff, Kress and Bennett team. It was decided that the $48 winning prize was to be donated to the Toys for Tots campaign.

Our Chapter is Only As Strong As Your Active Participation