The night was clear and quite nice for a January in San Jose. So many people were coming to usher in the new officers and give thanks to Sarah Aguilar for her exceptional service to our chapter and IAPMO.

The Doubletree Hotel was ready for a great evening. The hors d’oeuvres were out, waiting for the guests to arrive. The staff was amazing, and the mingling and laughter was just the beginning of a remarkable night.

The ballroom opened at 7:00 pm and the guests filtered in to their assigned tables. At 7:30 Mo Salberg led 80 guests in the Pledge of Allegiance. Sarah requested a moment of silence for Chuck Crawford, Roscoe King, and Tim Owens. After the moment of silence dinner was served.

Chairperson Sarah Aguilar began the awards ceremony by presenting the plaque for Government Person of the Year Award. This year’s recipient was Dave Ledda, Plumbing Official for the City of San Francisco. The Industry Person of the Year went to Dave Mann, Business Agent for U.A. Local 342. Chairperson Aguilar continued passing out the awards for the past years service as follows - Martin Salberg, Secretary, Don Wadsworth, Treasurer and Nathan Vasquez, Vice Chairperson. Nathan then received the gavel, continuing on to present the out going Chairperson Sarah Aguilar with her own plaque.

The Incoming Officers for 2009 were sworn in and handed their pins by Ron Rice, Past President for IAPMO. They are as follows - Steve Silber, Secretary, Martin Salberg, Treasurer, Don Wadsworth, Vice Chairperson and Nathan Vasquez, Chairperson. This ended all the official business and the raffle began. There were some amazing prizes, and you could feel the tension at every called number. You would think that the end of the night was near, but that is when it all began. We were treated with the sounds of Full Throttle, and the dance floor filled. The music stopped at 11:00 PM, just in time before we all collapsed.