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The Official Monthly Newsletter of the
California Public-Safety Radio Association

January 2010 - Ontario

This month's meeting will be held on Thursday, January 14, 2010 at the Ontario Police Department Community Room, 2500 S. Archibald Ave., Ontario CA 91761 (909) 395-2000
San Bernardino County Thomas Bros 642-J5

CPRA serves the people who manage, operate, maintain and supply the communications systems used to safeguard the lives and property of citizens everywhere. Among the CPRA ranks there are over 500 professionals representing the Police, Fire, EMS, Forestry, Highway and Conservation services. CPRA provides many opportunities to grow professionally, share your ideas, upgrade your skills and network with your colleagues.

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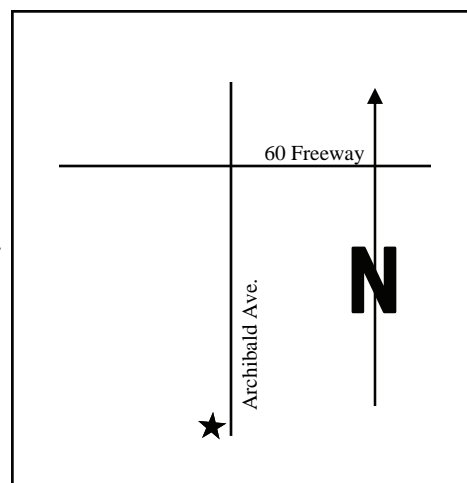
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Meeting Host: Mike Rowles County of San Bernardino

Early Bird Sponsor: Jack Daniel TX RX Systems

Agenda:

- 0800 - 0950 Executive Committee Meeting
- 1000 - 1055 General Meeting
- 1100 - 1200 Program: "The Complete History of APCO - A Musical Tribute"
- 1200 Lunch

Frequency Coordination Immediately Following Lunch

PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

GARY POON

Happy New Year to all of our CPRA members. First, I would like to thank all of our members and especially our commercial members for their unwavering support throughout the years. I also would like to thank our past President, Ken Mann, for his outstanding leadership and services. We look forward to his wealth of experience to serve the Chapter as a Director.

Please join me in welcoming your newly elected 2010 CPRA Officers – Gary Poon (President); Dawn Lopez (President-Elect); Ken Shearen (Vice-President); Michael Rowles (Secretary); John Wright (Treasurer); Howard Newton (Sergeant-at-Arms); and Jim Acosta (Executive Council Delegate). Thank you to Gary Kimmerle of Dailey-Wells and Dick Mossler of Harris Corporation for sponsoring our December Officers Installation at the Los Angeles Police Academy.

Also, please join me in congratulating the following CPRA 2009 Presidential Service Award Recipients: Dawn Lopez, Jack Daniel, Charles Taylor and Jim Acosta for their contributions and dedicated services to the Chapter.

The New Year may be over, but the celebration has just begun. 2010 is the 75th Anniversary for CPRA. The Committee has appointed Ms. Adriana Spirescu as the Chair to create a CPRA Photo Album to commemorate the organization and its people. If you have any historical photos, documents, or artifacts, please send them to Adriana at Adriana.Spirescu@ocgov.com.

CPRA is busy at work to present a bid for hosting the Western Regional Conference (WRC) at Long Beach in 2014. CPRA will make a presentation to the WRC Consortium in Denver in January. Hosting a WRC will enable our vendors to showcase the latest technology and also give us opportunity to get together with our members for learning and networking for the common goal of supporting critical Public Safety Communications. CPRA will also continue to tackle and update you on many of the critical issues such as 700MHz Nationwide Broadband Standards, 800 MHz Re-banding and the FCC's mandated narrowbanding on spectrum below 512MHz.

I hope to see you all in our January meeting at the Ontario Police Department Community Room at 2500 S Archibald Ave, Ontario, CA. There will be an interesting presentation on APCO/CPRA History. Please check our website at www.cpra.org for any updates on the time and location of the meeting.

Thank you again for your support!

China Trip

The APCO trip to China in March still has space available if anyone is interested. It is fascinating to see how other people conduct communications center operations, put out fires, and attend criminal activities, and so on. I was on the first APCO trip into China in 1988 and I am so looking forward to see what has transpired in the interim; specifically with the explosion of cell phone usage. Due to the small number of telephones in China in 1988 (possibly one telephone for four square blocks), the Guangzhou (about the size of Los Angeles) dispatch center felt they were kept busy in handling four calls per a 24 hour dispatching shift.

The trip is less than 90 days off and only two people from the West Coast have signed on.

Please contact me for further details.

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MINUTES

CALIFORNIA PUBLIC-SAFETY RADIO ASSOCIATION (CPRA) CHAPTER MEETING DECEMBER 10, 2009 THE LOS ANGELES POLICE ACADEMY LOS ANGELES, CA

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Ken Mann, City of Los Angeles
Sponsor: Dailey Wells Corporation and Harris Corporation
Secretary's Report: November 2009 minutes are posted on the CPRA web site.
Treasurer's Report: No report this meeting
Program: Installation of Officers for 2010
Attendance: 34

AGENDA

Greeting – Ken Mann. Ken opened the Chapter meeting at 11:10 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the December meeting and thanked the sponsors for their very generous support. Mike led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introductions - All. New members were welcomed. Everyone in attendance was asked to introduce themselves.

Award Recognition. Ken presented Presidential Service awards. He recognized Jim Acosta for his many years of outstanding service as Editor of the CommLink. Ken presented an award to Chuck Taylor for his mentoring and support during this past year. Next Ken recognized and thanked Jack Daniel for his guidance and support plus his ongoing work as the Commercial Chair. Finally, Ken presented an award to Dawn Lopez for her superb service as Telecommunicator's Banquet Chair, and innovative support of the chapter meetings and the upcoming WRC.

Introduction of the CPRA Officers for 2010. Ken introduced the officers to serve the Chapter for 2010. They are as follows:

President – Gary Poon
President-Elect – Dawn Lopez
Vice-President Ken Shearan
Executive Council Delegate – Jim Acosta
Sergeant-at-Arms – Howard Newton
Treasurer – John Wright
Secretary – Mike Rowles

Installation of the Officers – Gary Gray. Gary administered the oath of office to the 2010 CPRA Executive Committee Officers on behalf of CPRA, the southern California chapter of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials –International, Inc. (APCO). Each officer, as identified above, acknowledged acceptance of his/her respective duties and responsibilities by stating "I do."

Recognition Presentations – Ken Mann. Ken presented a variety of gift to the outgoing and incoming Executive Committee members. Each individual was invited to choose from array packages. He thanked everyone for their past and upcoming services.

Outgoing President Comments. Ken thanked everyone for their support and participation in the 2009 Chapter events. He noted the many technical and management topics programs provided through the year, membership growth in CPRA, and preparation for a bid to host the 2014 WRC.

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Presentation of the Gavel. Ken introduced Gary Poon who will serve as the CPRA President for 2010. Ken presented him with the official gavel for use in the upcoming year. Thus the transfer of responsibilities was duly accomplished.

New President Comments – Gary Poon. Gary presented an award of appreciation to Ken for his superb service to the Chapter as the 2009 president. Those in attendance responded with a resounding applause in appreciation for Ken’s outstanding leadership and proven commitment to CPRA. Gary noted the interesting meetings and events planned for the coming year. There was strong consensus among those in attendance that 2010 should be great year for CPRA.

WRC Director – Richard Granado. Richard reported on his visit to the NAPCO November chapter meeting. He indicated that he was warmly welcomed and that in his view the relationship with NAPCO is as strong as ever. Richard noted that the NAPCO meetings will be scheduled for the second Thursday of the month. This will preclude a conflict with the CPRA schedule of holding meetings on the third Thursday. There was discussion about annually sending a chapter officer to a NAPCO meeting and inviting a NAPCO officer to attend one of our meetings. Richard commented about the Western Region Conference coming up in January. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Luncheon and Entertainment. The luncheon was nicely prepared and served. Entertainment during the luncheon was provided by the Christmas Winds from Saugus High School. Two groups performed. There was a brass quintet and a woodwind octet. Each ensemble performed a nice repertoire of Christmas carols. The presentation was under the direction of Mr. Robert Gibson, Director of Bands.

Meeting Adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Notes – Rebanding. The December Rebanding Notes are posted on the CPRA web site.

Notes for the Record. Prior to the Chapter meeting, Gary Gray convened the Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting. Ongoing and new frequency requests were presented and acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Rowles
Secretary



Mike Rowles Howard Newton John Wright Gary Poon Dawn Lopez Jim Acosta Ken Shearen

**ATTACHMENT TO THE CPRA CHAPTER MINUTES, 12/10/09
800 MHz Rebanding Overview (Ray Grimes)**

PLEASE SEE THE “RESOURCES” PORTION OF THE CPRA WEB SITE.

www.cpra.org

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800 Rebanding

800 Rebanding Notes

2010 Meeting Dates

February 18th
El Monte
CommLink Cutoff Date
Monday February 1, 2010

March 18th
San Diego
CommLink Cutoff Date
Monday March 1, 2010

April 15th
Annual Dispatchers’ Banquet
Quiet Cannon
Montebello
CommLink Cutoff Date
Monday March 29, 2010

May 20th
Victorville
CommLink Cutoff Date
Monday May 3, 2010

June 17th
Santa Fe Springs
CommLink Cutoff Date
Monday June 1, 2010

July 15th
Orange County
CommLink Cutoff Date
Monday June 28, 2010

August 26th
Downey
CommLink Cutoff Date
Monday August 9, 2010

September 16th
Annual “No Ties Meeting”
Thousand Oaks
CommLink Cutoff Date
Tuesday August 30, 2010

October 21st
Annual “Tabletop Meeting”
Montebello
CommLink Cutoff Date
Monday October 4, 2010

November 18th
Palm Springs
CommLink Cutoff Date
Monday November 1, 2010

December 9th
Annual Holiday Banquet &
Officer Installation
Monterey Park
CommLink Cutoff Date
Monday November 29, 2010



***National Telecommunicator's Week Buttons
for Sale by CPRA Chapter***

National Public Safety Telecommunicators' Week honors all those in public safety communications. In some areas, the observance is called National Telecommunicators' Week. The week historically has been acknowledged by a letter from the President of the United States congratulating the dedicated and hard working individuals who work in our industry.

The California Public-Safety Radio Association (the Southern California chapter of APCO, Int'l.) is making available National Telecommunicator's Week buttons again this year. Cost is still \$1.00 each, plus shipping and handling.

This year's buttons are red, white, and blue and are a two inch oval shape. They are worn during National Telecommunicators' week (April 11-17, 2010) to show support for our professionals.

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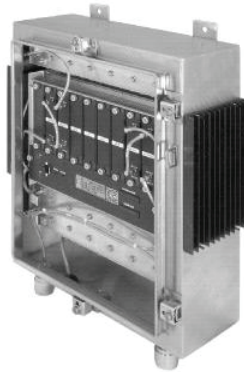
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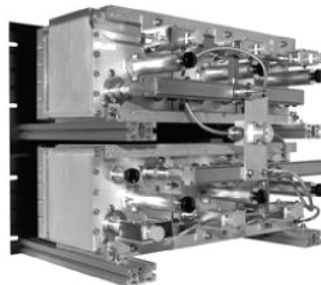
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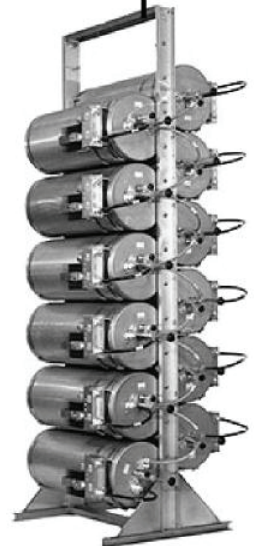
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