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

June 2013 Meeting - Arcadia

This month's meeting will be held on Thursday, June 20, 2013 at the
LA County Arboretum & Botanic Gardens,
301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA 91007, Thomas Brothers Page 567-A5

CPRAs serve 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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From Eastbound I-210 Freeway:

- ◆ At exit 31, take ramp right & follow signs for Baldwin Ave
- ◆ Turn right/south onto N Baldwin Ave
- ◆ LA County Arboretum on the west side

Directions:

From Westbound I-210 Freeway:

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Meeting Host: Gary Poon Los Angeles County ISD
Early Bird Sponsor: Larry Weber The Sales Group

Agenda:

0830 - 0945	Executive Committee Meeting
1000 - 1100	General Meeting
1100 - 1200	Presentation: LA-RICS Update
	Presentation by: Ron Wong
1200	Lunch

Frequency Coordination Meeting - Following Lunch

CHAPTER MEETING
May 16, 2013
Raytheon Public-Safety Regional Technology Center
11899 Woodruff Ave
Downey, CA 90241

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Mike Bostic, Raytheon
Early Bird Sponsor: Robert Jesman, Panorama Antennas
Meeting Sponsors: Mike Bostic, Raytheon and Gary Kimmerle, Dailey-Wells
Secretary's Report: Minutes from the April 2013 meeting are posted on the CPRA website.
Treasurer's Report: See comments
Program: "LA City 800 MHz P-25 System Upgrade" presented by Gary Kimmerle, Dailey-Wells
Attendance: 55

AGENDA

Call to Order – Tim Trager. The meeting was called to order at 10:06 AM. Tim welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the May CPRA Meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Rowles:

Welcoming Remarks – Tim Trager: Tim introduced himself to the group. He advised CPRA filed formal document to the FCC on T-Band filing with the LA County Police Chiefs' Association support. Tim thanked the banquet committee for putting-on a successful banquet last month. Tim thanked our Early Bird Sponsor, Robert Jesman from Panorama Antennas. He thanked Mike Bostic, Raytheon and Gary Kimmerle, Dailey-Wells for sponsoring today's meeting. Tim also thanked Gary Kimmerle for being today's program (LA City P-25 System Upgrade) presenter.

Self Introductions: Members were welcomed. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves to the group.

Commercial Members Introductions – Larry Weber. The various commercial members introduced themselves and spoke briefly of the products they offer. Tim also offered thanks to those who drove a long distance to attend the Chapter meeting, individuals from as far as Ventura and San Diego.

Extended Introduction – Robert Jesman, Panorama Antennas. Robert spoke briefly of his third generation history with Panorama Antennas. He touched on some of the products his company supplies. He also spoke of agencies who have taken advantage of his products and services.

Chapter Officer Reports.

Future Meetings Report – Richard Granado: Richard covered upcoming Chapter meetings, sponsors, programs, and meetings still in need of a program.

Membership Report – Don Miller.

Membership Numbers: Current membership shows a total of 446 Chapter members, including 248 Full, 88 Commercial, 51 On-Line, and 59 Associate members. He also mentioned the new full members will receive the requisite complimentary meeting registration. They included:

Active:

- Shannon Dicus, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department - Captain
- Jim Bare, San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department
- Brian Flinn, Downey Police Department
- Sheryl Gutierrez, Whittier Barbara Police Department – Communications Supervisor
- Jodi Nevandro, Santa Monica Fire Department – EMS Coordinator

Commercial:

- Craig Basset, Bassett Sales Corporation

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PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

The second half of 2013 is now nearly upon us. While the first half has been busy at CPRA, the second half promises even more highlights. As everyone knows, the 2013 APCO Annual Conference and Expo will be held in Anaheim on August 18-21. CPRA is privileged to be the "Host Chapter" for this event and have the opportunity to "showcase" what we do in Southern California. CPRA's Ken Mann and his team have been busy since January, coordinating details with APCO Headquarters in Florida to insure that no stones are left unturned in the path to insure a great conference. We are still in need of some volunteers to assist with logistics at the conference. In addition to a free pass for part of the conference, volunteers receive a nicely trimmed conference tee shirt, a luncheon, and free parking for each day they volunteer. Volunteering at the APCO Conference and Expo is a great way to support the local public safety community, CPRA, and APCO as a whole. I urge you to please consider serving at this event by contacting Adriana Spirescu, Adriana.Spirescu@comm.ocgov.com, with your offer to assist.

Shortly after the conference, CPRA will once again host our annual "Table Top" trade exhibit and luncheon in October at the Quite Cannon in Montebello. This gathering not only provides CPRA's vendor community an opportunity to show their products and services to the membership and guests, it is also the time we elect new Chapter Officers. In the spirit of volunteerism and chapter service, chapter leadership is an excellent way to support the ongoing efforts of CPRA as we represent and serve the public safety communications community in Southern California. If you are interested in serving as a chapter leader, or have questions, please contact myself, Ken Shearen or Adriana Spirescu and we'd be glad to speak with you. CPRA's success is vested in the talents and participation of its members. Every member of the chapter is qualified to serve the chapter in some way!

Very soon, CPRA will once again file comments with the FCC. This time CPRA is responding to the FCC's proposed rulemaking for the 700 MHz narrowband spectrum. A growing number of agencies in Southern California either utilize now, or plan to soon begin 700 MHz operations for their voice radio systems. CPRA would be pleased to see the outcome of rulemaking address some long standing concerns that are creating uncertainty within the 700 MHz. Many of you know that CPRA recently filed comments with the FCC in support of T-Band, and I would like to thank the Los Angeles County Police Chief's Association for their formal endorsement of the comments. We're working our way up the bands as you see.

I am looking forward to our next Chapter Meeting, June 20, 2013, at the Los Angeles County Arboretum in Arcadia. Gary Poon with Los Angeles County is our meeting host, and The Sales Group is expressing their generosity as our Early Bird Sponsor. I hope everyone can join the CPRA family that day for an informative update on the LA RICS Project, and maybe even a Stroll in the Park!

Wishing you a great Summer 2013!

Sincerely,

Tim Trager
CPRA President

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Treasurer's Report – Joe Parrino.

Monthly Financial Report: Joe provided a report of income and expenses for the previous 30 day period. He stated the total income for the month was \$9,266.43 and the total expenditures were \$3,974.31. Income was noted as banquet registrations and APCO dues. He outlined specific dollar amounts regarding income and expenditures, all of which can be made available upon member's request. Joe also gave a quick P&L synopsis for last month's Telecommunicators Banquet.

Prize Raffle – Tim T. Tim raffled complimentary full registrations, which include the dinner gala, for the upcoming APCO International Conference and Expo in August. Two lucky individuals claimed this valuable prize. Tim also raffled a Starbucks card, donated by Greg Glenn at Tri Power, to one happy winner.

Later, after the Program Presentation, Tim raffled two more full registration prizes to lucky winners.

APCO International Report.

Executive Council Delegate Report – Jim Acosta: Jim reported during National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, the APCO Executive Committee President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, and Immediate Past President visited various public safety communication centers around the Boston, New York, and Newton Connecticut areas. Terry, Gigi, and Derek participated in the APCO Global Alliance meeting in Manchester, United Kingdom. Terry and Gigi also participated in the British APCO Conference. Terri, Gigi, and Derek met with, and administered the oath of office to, Martha Carter, the new Gulf Coast Regional Board Representative. Total membership is 16,220. APCO's goal is to have 20,000 members by the time we have the conference in Anaheim in August. On April 23rd, APCO launched the Application Community – "AppComm" – a new website dedicated to public safety and emergency response apps. Early bird registration ends on July 22, 2013 for the 2013 conference. At this year's conference, we will be hosting a Blood Drive on Monday, August 19th. There will also be the Career Advancement Center, a forum where attendees will have an opportunity to engage in discussions with managers from both the private and public sector on topics which are critical to professional development. The dates and times of the forum is Monday and Tuesday, August 19th and 20th, 10:30-11:00 AM both days. Jim advised the group Chuck Berdan was appointed APCO Representative to the State 9-1-1 Advisory Board.

Regulatory Update.

FCC and FAC Update – Gary Gray: Gary reiterated we filed comments on T-Band. Otherwise, there were no other pressing matters.

Program Presentation – Gary Kimmerly. Tim introduced Mike Bostic with Raytheon. Mike turned the microphone over to Gary. Gary gave a brief history of Dailey-Wells, and its relationship with Harris. He spoke of the size and scope of his company, and the areas it covers, and the location of their local facility. His primary presentation revolved around the LA City 800 MHz P-25 System Upgrade, his company's involvement, and the involvement of the city of Los Angeles. He advised the upgrade is a true partnership. At the end of his presentation, Gary fielded questions from the group.

Meeting Adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 11:46 AM. Mike Bostic provided a tour of Raytheon's facility for any interested attendees, immediately following lunch.

Notes for the Record.

Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC). Gary Gray convened the Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting. On-going and new frequency requests were presented and acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Espindola
Secretary

Silent Key



Travis A. Williams
November 2, 1948 - May 26, 2013

CPRA Meeting Registration

Monthly Meeting Attendees

Beginning with the April 2013 meeting, the \$20 attendee fee shall apply to all monthly meetings (excluding the October "Table Top"). The fee shall apply to all attendees participating in the General Meeting, General Program, or lunch. There is no fee for attending Frequency Coordination or Tech Talk sessions only.

Policy Background

The CPRA Executive Board recently voted unanimously to begin collecting a \$20 meeting fee from all in attendance at each of the monthly chapter meetings, beginning in April 2013. In the past, attendees could opt out of lunch, and thus not be charged the meeting fee. As everyone knows, the cost of doing business has gone up, and CPRA sees those increased costs as higher facility and food expenses at our meeting locations. Insuring that all attendees pay the \$20 dollar fee offsets those cost increases. Members or guests arriving after lunch for the Frequency Coordination or Tech Talk workshops are exempt from meeting fees. Also, our annual vendor Table Top Luncheon will have no meeting fee collected, as CPRA provides both the luncheon and facility as a courtesy to everybody in attendance.

As a separate initiative, CPRA developed a policy item wherein Commercial Members are given the opportunity to sponsor meetings. Sponsorship opportunities range from facilitating our Early Bird Refreshment table, to the highest level of sponsorship which provides the opportunity for the Commercial Member to specifically showcase a product or service directly to CPRA members during the monthly meeting.

The intent of CPRA's monthly chapter meetings is to provide value to the membership through a mix of educational and informative monthly chapter meetings while offering the opportunity for Regular and Commercial members to improve their knowledge base, exchange ideas, and develop partnerships. The Meeting Fee and Sponsorship initiatives further CPRA's ability to deliver value across the membership.

Fair Market Value Information

Unless advertised otherwise, the \$20 meeting fee shall cover the cost of all food, beverages, materials and services provided to meeting attendees. When applicable, the fair market value of any food, beverage, etc provided to an attendee by a commercial company shall be advertised in advance or provided upon request.

Goods or services donated by a commercial company to CPRA (a 501c not-for-profit) and subsequently distributed by CPRA to its paid meeting attendees shall generally not be considered reportable benefits. Attendees are ultimately responsible for determining whether they can accept or must reimburse the benefit per their employer's policy and any applicable laws.

2013 Meeting Dates

January 17, 2013

Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course Event Center

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday January 2, 2013

Early Bird Sponsor *MCM Technology, LLC*

Dispatchers' Round Table

February 21, 2013

Santa Barbara

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday February 4, 2013

Early Bird Sponsor *Moseley Wireless Solutions Group*

Meeting Sponsor *Applied Technology Group*

March 21, 2013

Vista

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday March 4, 2013

Early Bird Sponsor *Datron World Communications*

Meeting Sponsor *Datron World Communications*

April 18, 2013

Buena Park - Knott's Berry Farm Resort

Technical Awards AM

Annual Dispatchers' Banquet PM

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday April 2, 2013

Early Bird Sponsor *Simoco Americas*

May 16, 2013

Downey—Raytheon

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday April 29, 2013

Early Bird Sponsor *Panorama Antennas*

Meeting Sponsor *Raytheon*

Meeting Sponsor *Dailey-Wells*

June 20, 2013

Arcadia - LA County Arboretum & Botanical Gardens

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday June 3, 2013

Early Bird Sponsor *The Sales Group*

July 18th 2013

Santa Fe Springs - Talley Communications

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday July 2, 2013

Early Bird Sponsor *Talley Communications*

August , 2013

Anaheim

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday August 5, 2013

Early Bird Sponsor *Open*

September 19, 2013

Annual "No Ties Meeting" - Thousand Oaks

CommLink Cutoff Date

Tuesday September 3, 2013

Early Bird Sponsors *Bassett Sales*

Talley Communications

October 17, 2013

Quiet Cannon - Montebello

Annual "Tabletop Meeting"

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday September, 2013

Early Bird Sponsors *Open*

November 21, 2013

Hughes Center - Claremont

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday September 4, 2013

Early Bird Sponsor *Open*

December 6, 2013

Annual Holiday Banquet & Officer Installation

TBA

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday November 25, 2013

Meeting Sponsor *Open*

2013 Executive Committee Quarterly Meetings

January 9, 2013 - Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course

March 27, 2013 - Montclair P. D.

July 10, 2013 - Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course

November 13, 2013 - Montclair P. D.



APCO 2013
 August 18-21
 Anaheim, CA

Volunteer Interest Application

VOLUNTEER Information APCO Member # _____
(Membership is not required)

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Onsite Cell: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

VOLUNTEER SHIRT M F **SHIRT SIZE (S, M, L, XL, 2XL, Etc.)** _____

Agency/Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

DATES & TIMES AVAILABLE - Minimum of 4 Hrs. on the DAY(s) you choose

DATE	Hours Available	Approximate Times Available
Saturday, August 17		to
Sunday, August 18		to
Monday, August 19		to
Tuesday, August 20		to
Wednesday, August 21		to

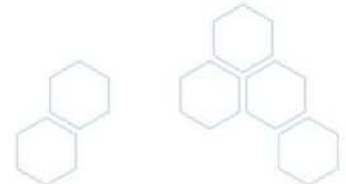
We cannot guarantee times or assignments but we will make every effort to accommodate varying schedules and assignment preferences based on staffing needs.

Please Submit Your Completed Form To:

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send check to 'Lynn Diebold' at Monterey County 911
1322 Natividad Rd, Salinas 93906 OR >
send funds via PayPal to lynndiebold@hotmail.com Add
"RSVP" and your name(s) in the Message box

Monterey County 9-1-1 Director

Lynn Diebold

Has RETIRED after **44 years**
in Public Safety Communications !

All friends and colleagues from County,
CHP and State, 911 Coordinators,
APCO and NENA—you're all invited.

The Party starts at Noon

(and continues as long as you like)

Lunch served at 12:15

Short Program starts at 12:45

Cost \$35.00

*Bring your best wishes and/or best
Lynn stories for posterity on her
retirement video— it will be available
for all to see at a later date online.*