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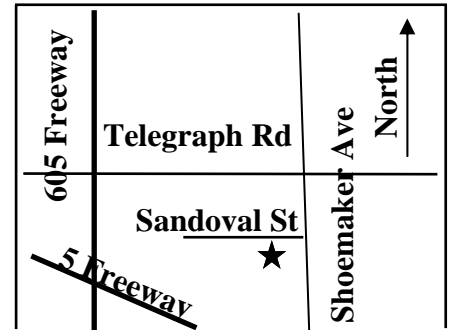
July 2013 Meeting - Santa Fe Springs

This month's meeting will be held on Thursday, July 18, 2013 at the Talley Facility, 12976 Sandoval St., Santa Fe Springs, CA (562) 906-8000
Thomas Brothers Page 707-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.

Directions - From the 605 Freeway:

- ◆ Exit Telegraph Rd
- ◆ Travel East to Shoemaker Ave
- ◆ South (Right) On Shoemaker to Sandoval St
- ◆ West (Right) on Sandoval St to Address



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Meeting Host: Larry Feige Talley Communications
Early Bird Sponsor: Larry Feige Talley Communications

Agenda:

0830 - 0945	Executive Committee Meeting
1000 - 1100	General Meeting
1100 - 1200	Presentation by: Dave Chapman - ARINC Public Safety Product Manager
	Presentation: ARINC Public Safety Communications Solutions
1200	Lunch

Frequency Coordination Meeting - Following Lunch

CHAPTER MEETING

June 20, 2013
LA County Arboretum & Botanic Garden
301 N Baldwin Avenue
Arcadia, CA 91007

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Gary Poon, Los Angeles County
Early Bird Sponsor: Larry Weber, Sales Group
Secretary's Report: Minutes from the May 2013 meeting are posted on the CPRA website.
Treasurer's Report: See comments
Program: "LA-RICS Update" presented by Ron Wong, Los Angeles County
Attendance: 49

AGENDA

Call to Order – Tim Trager. The meeting was called to order at 10:04 AM. Tim welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the June CPRA Meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Rowles:

Welcoming Remarks – Tim Trager: Tim update the group on the comments filed to the FCC regarding the 700MHz, drafted by Mike Rowles, Dave Buchanan, and himself. Mike brought copies of the filing, and they will be available on the CPRA website as well. Tim stated we are still looking for volunteers for the 2013 APCO International Conference & Expo. For each four hours of volunteering, you get a free t-shirt, parking, and a day pass to the event. He also mentioned using explorers as volunteers. He asked anyone interested in becoming an Executive Officer for the upcoming year please check with a current officer, specifically Adriana Spirescu, Ken Shearen, or himself. He thanked our Early Bird Sponsor, Larry Weber from Sales Group. He thanked Gary Poon, Los Angeles County, for being our meeting host. Tim also thanked Ron Wong, for being today's program (LA-RICS Update) presenter.

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

Commercial Members Introductions – Larry Feige. The various commercial members introduced themselves and spoke briefly of the products they offer.

Chapter Officer Reports.

Future Meetings Report – Richard Granado: Richard covered upcoming Chapter meetings, sponsors, programs, and meetings still in need of a program. He went into specifics regarding the Chapter meeting room, 208B, in August at the conference.

Membership Report – Don Miller.

Membership Numbers: Current membership shows a total of 533 Chapter members, including 209 Full, 91 Commercial, 60 On-Line, and 62 Associate members. He also mentioned the new full members will receive the requisite complimentary meeting registration. They included:

Active:

- Vincent Perez, City of Industry – Communications Coordinator
- Rena Engelhardt, Navy Regional Dispatch Center - Dispatcher
- Rita Ramirez, La Habra Police Department – Bureau Manager
- Cynthia Gulley, La Habra Police Department – Communications Supervisor
- Thomas Somers, Los Angeles Fire Department
- Gordon West, Mesa Emergency Service Aux Communications
- Shanna Devine, North County Dispatch Joint Powers Authority – Shift Supervisor
- Cara McDermott, North County Dispatch Joint Powers Authority – Administrative Shift Supervisor
- Danielle Becker, Tustin Police Department – Communications Officer
- Piper Keo, Tustin Police Department – Lead Communications Officer

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PRESIDENT'S PODIUM

It's up to the Feds now! Over the past several months, CPRA has filed comments on both the T-Band spectrum give back and the 700 MHz Narrowband spectrum rule changes. CPRA addressed these issues from the perspective of the public safety radio system operator that we strive to serve. Both of these subjects are near and dear to the Southern California area, with great potential impact. In reading comments from other regions of the country, Southern California is certainly not alone in their concern for these issues. Hopefully, in about a year, both of these items will have worked their way through the process, resulting in conclusions that will enable agencies to move on, one way or another. Let's hope for a speedy process for both items in Washington DC.

I want to thank everyone who attended the June chapter meeting in Arcadia, at the Los Angeles County Arboretum. Ron Wong with LA RICS provided a great briefing on the project to upgrade Los Angeles County's emergency communications network. Ron fielded many questions from the audience, and spoke to both the voice radio upgrade project as well as the implementation of LTE to provide high speed data.

Ken Mann and his team continue to work with the national APCO staff to insure an excellent 2013 APCO National Conference in Anaheim in August. Their hard work tending to the many aspects of the event along with keeping a close eye on the details will insure an excellent outcome while "showcasing" the attributes of Southern California and CPRA for our APCO neighbors in other states. Be sure to keep your calendars marked for Anaheim in August.

Please be sure to join us for our July chapter meeting. Talley Communications in Santa Fe Springs is graciously opening up their facility for our meeting on July 18. Larry Feige at Talley is also serving as our Early Bird Sponsor and Meeting Host. Our general program is being provided by Dave Chapman with ARINC. ARINC is a far reaching company, deeply involved with Public Safety and Aeronautical communications.

I hope everyone enjoyed their Fourth of July celebrations. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone on the 18th.

Sincerely,

Tim Trager
CPRA President

NATIONAL TELLECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK BUTTON SEARCH

CPRA IS LOOKING FOR A 1989 & 1990 TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK BUTTONS

IF YOU HAVE ONE OF THESE BUTTONS AND WOULD LIKE TO
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NOTE: COMPLETE SET WILL BE DONATED TO THE APCO MUSEUM

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-Lisa Polly, Tustin Police Department – Police Communications Supervisor

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-Christina Wilson, Carlsbad California Fire Department

-Bryan Armendariz, Kern County Sheriff's Office – Lieutenant

-Lynda Sims, Verdugo Fire Communications Center

Commercial:

-Ian McGraw, Mission Critical Partners, Inc.

Tim mentioned we will be continuing with our Dispatcher Round Tables, one next month, and one in October or November.

APCO International Report.

Executive Council Delegate Report – Jim Acosta: Jim reported the Board of Directors participated in the Broadband Summit on May 13th & 14th in Washington, DC. The summit was a success with over 200 attendees. Attending were representatives from Australia and New Zealand. Additionally, they held their quarterly meeting on May 15th, in conjunction with the Broadband Summit. We currently have 16,853 members, which is nearly 2,000 more than this date last year. All voting this year, for the 1st and 2nd VP candidates will be electronic, with all votes to be cast no later than Tuesday, August 20th at 1:45 PM. Early Bird registration ends on July 22nd. As of June 1st, there were 836 registrations. Keynote speakers this year at the conference will be Tony Mendez and his wife Jonna. Tony was played by Ben Affleck in the movie Argo. Jim also mentioned, regarding tapping into police and fire department explorers to volunteer, that high school students will get community service credit for the time spent volunteering, and that this is a good selling point for soliciting volunteers.

Regulatory Update.

FCC and FAC Update – Dave Buchanan and Ray Grimes: Dave spoke of attending the Broadband Summit in Washington, the participation of individuals from New Zealand and Australia. He also covered specific calendar items discussed at the conference. He spoke of another focus group forming regarding Public-Safety Grade, stating there are looking for volunteers to participate. Dave and Ray fielded questions from the group. Dave stated the slides and audio for the Orange County Outreach meeting should be available on the website in a few days. Ray then gave information and advice about dates regarding rebanding.

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 \$2,053.14 and the total expenditures were \$11,486.30. Income was noted as meeting registrations and APCO dues. He outlined specific dollar amounts regarding income and expenditures, all of which can be made available upon member request.

Program Presentation – Ron Wong. Tim introduced Ron, who is with the County of Los Angeles and very involved in the LA-RICS (Regional Interoperable Communications System) Project. Ron quickly addressed the question “where are we with the project?” Ron gave an overview to the group where the project is now and where it's going. After his presentation, he asked for questions from the group. He asked Pat Mallon, LA-RICS Executive Director, to join him at the front and assist with answering questions. Ron will make today's power point presentation available on the web.

Arboretum Walking Tour – Bill Collister. Bill spoke to the group and offered to facilitate a tour of the Arboretum for anyone interested. Several members will be participating after the Frequency Advisory Committee.

Meeting Adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 11:50 AM.

Notes for the Record.

Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC). Dave Buchanan convened the Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting. Ongoing and new frequency requests were presented and acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Espindola

ATTENTION!!!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CHAPTER OFFICER? CHAPTER ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 17, 2013

If you are interested in becoming an officer of our Chapter, or know someone you would like to nominate, please contact: Adraina Spirecu (714) 628-7150 or send an email to: adriana.spirecu@comm.ocgov.com

The Executive Committee requires a letter of support from each prospective candidate's agency to become eligible for the ballot. Listed below are the offices that will appear on this year's ballot, and their respective commitments.

President-Elect: Requires a two year commitment to progress through the chairs from President-Elect, President, followed by three years of involvement.

Vice-President: Requires a three year commitment to progress through the chairs from Vice-President, President-Elect, President, followed by three years of involvement.

Secretary: Requires two years commitment.

Treasurer: Requires two years commitment.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Requires a one year commitment.

Executive Council Delegate: Requires two years commitment.

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

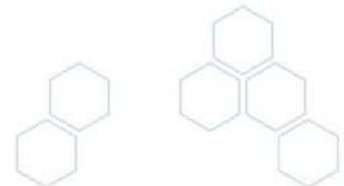
We cannot guarantee times or assignments but we will make every effort to accommodate varying schedules and assignment preferences based on staffing needs.

Please Submit Your Completed Form To:

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