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California Public-Safety Radio Association

August 2010 Meeting - Downey

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.

This month's meeting will be held on Thursday, August 26, 2010 at the Rio Hondo Golf Course, 10627 Old River School Rd., Downey, (562) 806-2050 Thomas Brothers Page 705-J6

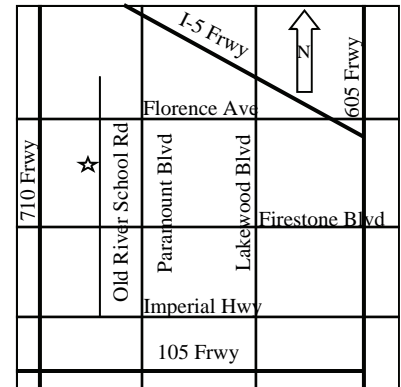
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Meeting Host: Jim Acosta Downey Fire Communications

Early bird Sponsor: Larry Webber The Sales Group

Agenda:

0830 - 0945 Executive Board Meeting

1000 - 1100 General Meeting

1100 - 1200 **Presenter:** Robert Gurs - APCO Regulatory Counsel

Presentation: The presentation will include updated information on the potential start of 800 MHz rebanding in Southern California and a description of how rebanding has proceeded in other parts of the country, including suggestions as to how licensees can make rebanding less painful. The presenter, Robert Gurs, has been involved in rebanding from its inception, both as APCO's Regulatory Counsel and, through the law firm of Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, as an attorney representing dozens of 800 MHz licensees across the nation in their rebanding negotiations and related proceedings.

1200 - Lunch

Frequency Coordination Meeting - Following Lunch

PRESIDENT'S PODIUM
GARY POON

The CPRA July meeting was held at the Glen Helen Rehabilitation Center in San Bernardino County. The Center, a nine-acre parcel which consists of three inmate-housing facilities, is located just east of I-15 Freeway, west of the 215 Freeway and north of north of the 210 Freeway. Few law-abiding citizens, including all our CPRA members, would never intentionally visit these facilities. CPRA thanks Mike Rowles of San Bernardino County for hosting the meeting and giving us a view of the correction institutions. My heart skipped a few beats as I approached the dirt road named "Institution Road" surrounded by barbwire.

CPRA thanks Richard Mossler of Harris Corporation for providing "Early Bird" refreshment for our Executive Committee meeting.

For those brave CPRA attendees who found their way safely into the modern training facility in Glen Helen Rehabilitation Center. It was a real treat to learn first-hand about terrorism awareness and deterrence from Michael Fox of City of San Bernardino, Police Department. We thank Michael for his informative and situation awareness presentation.

CPRA's Western Regional Conference (2011WRC) Committee is hard at work under the leadership of Ken Mann. The Committee had a booth to promote 2011WRC at the APCO 76th Annual Conference & Expo in Houston, Texas. With a shorten timeline for preparation for the conference, the committee has made a swift and final selection of the conference site at the Ontario Convention Center and hosting hotel at Ayres Hotel based on site visit, cost and availability analysis. Any member who would like to help us for the conference preparation, please contact Ken Mann at 213-847-2397. CPRA Commercial members would like to have priority registration and space reservations, please contact Jack Daniel, CPRA Commercial Chair at 1-800-Non-Toll.

Do not miss our August meeting if you would like to get latest updates on 800MHz "Rebanding" including issues related to Mexico treaties or other mandated actions required by the Federal Communications Commission. APCO's Regulatory Counsel, Robert Gurss will fly from the east coast to make a special presentation for us. Please visit the CPRA website at <http://www.cpra.org> for updates and upcoming events.

CPRA thanks you for your support and participation!

2010 Meeting Dates

September 16th
Annual "No Ties Meeting"
Irvine Regional Park
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

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CHAPTER MEETING

JULY 15, 2010

COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

GLEN HELEN SHERIFF'S FACILITY

SAN BERNARDINO, CA

SUMMARY

Meeting Host: Mike Rowles, County of San Bernardino
Early Bird Sponsor: Harris Corporation
Secretary's Report: Minutes for the June meeting are posted on the CPRA web site
Treasurer's Report: See comments
Program: "When Do I Call Those Terrorism People?"
Presenter: Michael Fox, Dispatcher, San Bernardino Police Department
Attendance: --36

AGENDA

Greeting – Gary Poon. President Gary opened the chapter meeting at 10:15 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the July CPRA meeting. Mike Rowles led the Pledge of Allegiance. Gary thanked Harris for sponsoring the Early Bird refreshments and hosting the meeting.

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

Membership Report – Ken Shearen. Ken reported that we have 470 members with one new member: Mr. Harold Jensen, Long Beach Wireless.

Meeting Program Review – Dawn Lopez. The upcoming schedule for meetings was reviewed. It was noted that details for the 2010 schedules are on the website. President Gary commented that the next meeting will be held August 26th at the Rio Hondo Golf Course in Downey

Treasurer's Report – John Wright.

Monthly Financial Report. John was unable to attend. In his absence, Mike Rowles provided a report of income and expenses for the previous month. He stated that total income for the month was \$1,479.44 and the total expenditures were \$982.68. Income included meeting registrations, and sponsorships. Expenses included luncheon reimbursements, Visa card officer travel payments, and printing costs for the CommLink.

Regional Director Report – Richard Granado. Richard noted he had coordinated with the APCO Colorado chapter to host a consortium meeting at the APCO Conference in Houston. It was noted the CPRA officers would attend this meeting.

Executive Council Report – Jim Acosta. Jim provided comments as shown.

APCO Conference. Jim gave an overview of the upcoming APCO Conference to be held in Houston, TX August 1 – 4, 2010. He indicated that registrations were above those of the same time last year. Also sponsorship sales and number of sponsors had surpassed last year's count. Jim then provided a review of the social events scheduled for the Conference.
APCO Information. Jim reported that the APCO membership stands at 12,790. Also that several new communities had been created e.g. Executive Council Group that are using an online networking service known as PS Connect.

Western Regional Conference Call, 6/15/10. Jim provided a brief summary of the conference call topics.

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Frequency Coordinator Updates – Gary Gray. The following reports were provided:

CalSIEC SPA. It was noted that the next Southern Planning Area (SPA) meeting will be held on July 28th. There will be a call in conference call number available.

FCC Announcements. Dave Buchanan provided information about the narrow banding requirements for frequencies below 512 MHz. He emphasized the mandate to have narrow banding completed by Jan 1, 2013.

700 MHz Update. Dave also gave updates on recent actions pertinent to the use of 700 MHz systems. He also commented about the need for moving forward with plans for the use of mutual aid frequencies.

800 MHz Update. Jim Donovan indicated that there was status changes to report.

800 MHz Rebanding. Ray Grimes provided an updated report.

He noted that there had been no progress regarding a treaty with Mexico pertinent to use of spectrum in the border region. (Please see the “Resources” portion of the CPRA web site to see Ray’s Rebanding Notes.) John Lemmon, State of California indicated that the northern part of the state was proceeding forward with rebanding processes.

Chapter Commercial Advisory Member – Jack Daniel. Jack invited each of the Commercial Members in attendance to do a self introduction and give a brief comment about their respective products and services.

Western Regional Conference. Jack announced that CPRA commercial members have initial preference for booth spaces. He indicated that he would be taking reservation requests during the meeting with pricing details to be released in the near future.

75th Anniversary Celebration Report – Adriana Spirescu. Information Updates.

Chapter Celebration. It was noted that the “No Ties” meeting in September has been designated as the meeting for the formal 75th anniversary recognition. The planning committee has been actively moving forward with preparing for the event.

Planning. The committee reported that the celebration will include a world-class BBQ, special events amateur station operation, a display of mobile command unit vehicles, a presentation of CPRA history via a commemorative album, dignitary recognition, etc.

Location. It was announced that the Irvine Regional Park, Area 3 would be the location for the event.

Command Vehicles. Jim Donovan commented that he is taking reservations for agencies that will be bringing a command vehicle for display.

Commemorative Album. Adriana reported that the album was progressing. She noted that orders for the album would be available soon.

2011 WRC – Ken Mann. It was noted that the APCO Western Regional Conference (WRC) as hosted by CPRA will be Feb 6 – 9, 2011. The Ontario Convention Center will be the location for the conference. Further information will be provided on the CPRA web site.

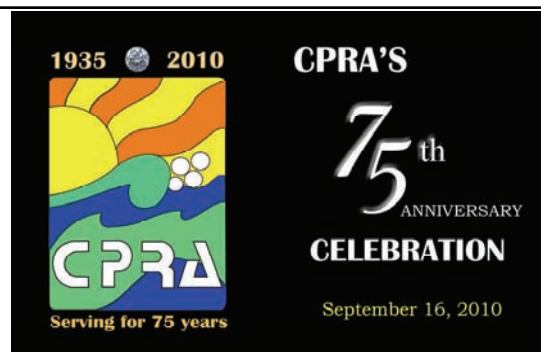
Presentation. Michael Fox, City of the San Bernardino Police Department Communications gave a presentation titled “When Do I Call Those Terrorism People?” His comments covered historical aspects of terrorism, key indicators to identify potential terrorism situations, and current trends that could impact public safety. Michael concluded his presentation with an informative question and answer period. President Gary thanked Michael for his instructional and very thought provoking talk.

Meeting Adjourned. Gary thanked everyone for attending. The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Notes for the Record.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Mike Rowles
Secretary



California Public - Safety Radio Association

75th Anniversary Celebration

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September 16, 2010

Irvine Regional Park
1 Irvine Park Rd,
Orange, CA 92869

- * Vehicle Tours start at 9:00 a.m.
- * \$20.00 lunch includes smoked BBQ Tri-Tip served at "High Noon."

Invited Guests include all CPRA members, The Governor of the State of California, The Chiefs of Police and Sheriff/Fire Chiefs Associations for all Southern California Counties and Cities, All Southern California City Managers and Elected Officials including Senators and Representatives both State and Federal, and all Public Safety Communication Center employees and managers. Be there! RSVP 2010BBQ@cptra.org or Visit www.CPRA.org

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