



# COMMILINK

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

## August 2014 Meeting - San Marcos

This month's meeting will be held on Thursday August 21, 2014 at  
The Old Spaghetti Factory  
111 North Twin Oaks Valley Rd, San Marcos  
North San Diego County, CA.  
San Diego County Thomas Brothers Page 1108-H7

**C**PRAs 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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**DIRECTIONS:**

**From the Los Angeles or San Diego Area:**

- ◆ I-5 to SR-78 East.
- ◆ Travel East for 12.8 Miles
- ◆ Exit on Twin Oaks Valley Rd
- ◆ Turn left (North) past freeway underpass
- ◆ Turn right into first driveway

**Meeting Host:** Anna Holmes San Diego County Sherriff's  
Communications

**Early Bird Sponsor:** Ron Lyons Zetron

**Agenda:**

- 0830 - 1000 Executive Board Meeting
- 1000 - 1100 General Meeting
- 1100 - 1200 Program: Bob White, Metro Connect -  
"Shared Wireless Networks"
- 1200 Lunch

## Frequency Coordination Meeting - Following Lunch

**PRESIDENT'S PODIUM**  
**RICHARD GRANADO**

**W**e had 49 attendees turn out for the July meeting held at the Orange County Sheriff's Training Academy. Thanks to Pegasus, Ray Grimes for being the Meeting Host and Chair Pros, Erik Borg for providing the Early Bird Coffee and Rolls.

The program presenter was Lieutenant Mike Peters, the Commander of the Orange County Sheriff's Training Academy. He provided an excellent summary along with a slide show on what the Academy strives to find and develop in potential law enforcement personnel. He stated one of the main traits they look for in a candidate is their ethical behavior. Lt. Peters stated that the attrition rates are very high because of the physical requirements, constant memory challenges, learning of the penal codes, observation skills and ethical behavior. He went on to state that basically in today's world there will always be someone videotaping you any time you're involved with the public in an incident. Law enforcement officers need to always keep that in mind regardless of the situation at hand and maintain a respectful behavior to the public at all times. Lt Peters stated: "We are here at this Academy to produce the best law enforcement officers we can."

After the presentation Lt. Peters provided us with an in-depth tour of the Academy Facility that included the classrooms, physical training gym and outside obstacle course. He then took us to a special place on the campus the Peace Officer Memorial Wall. This where Peace Officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty serving the residents of Orange County are listed and honored.

I want to thank Lieutenant Mike Peters for providing us with his presentation and tour of his wonderful facility for our meeting and his overall hospitality.

August's meeting will be held at The Old Spaghetti Factory, 111 North Twin Oaks Valley Road, San Marcos, CA. 92069, on August 21st. The program Speaker will by Bob White, Private Shared Wireless Networks.

I'm looking forward to seeing everybody at our next meeting. Always check our web site [www.cpra.org](http://www.cpra.org) for updates and please feel free to contact me at [President@CPRA.org](mailto:President@CPRA.org) if you have any questions or thoughts.

**CommLink Reminder**

The CommLink is published on a quarterly basis.

The CommLink will be printed and mailed out in

January, April, July and October.

The rest of the months you will receive a half page postcard  
giving you meeting information.

You can download the monthly CommLink from the website.

## CHAPTER MEETING

**July 17, 2014**  
**Orange County Sheriff's Training Academy**  
**15991 Armstrong Ave**  
**Tustin, CA 92782**

### SUMMARY

**Meeting Host:** Ray Grimes, Pegasus Telecom  
**Early Bird Sponsor:** Erik Borg, Chair Pros  
**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the June 2014 meeting are posted on the CPRA website.  
**Treasurer's Report:** See comments  
**Program:** "Sheriff's Academy and Museum Tour" presented by Lieutenant Mike Peters, Commander Orange County Sheriff's Training Academy  
**Attendance:** 49

### AGENDA

**Welcome-Opening Comments – Dick Granado.** The meeting was called to order at 10:10 A.M. Dick asked Ray Grimes up to the podium. Ray welcomed everyone on behalf of Sheriff Sandra Hutchens and himself. Ray is an OCSA Sheriff's Reserve Captain for their Aviation Division. He gave a brief history of the Training Facility used for today's meeting. Ray thanked everyone for coming and wished them an enjoyable day.

*Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Rowles.*

*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. Dick asked the group if they've been receiving the emailed meeting notifications. Some expressed they have not. Ernest advised it may have to do with fire walls blocking the notifications. One member said he does not receive emails at work when the sender and return email names are different.

### **Chapter Officer Reports.**

*Future Meetings Report – Don Miller:* Don covered upcoming Chapter meetings, sponsors, programs, and meetings still in need of a program. Don spoke of the September No Ties meeting being at an outside park venue. Dick G. also mentioned that is the meeting where our candidates will speak to the Chapter.

*Membership Report – Ken Mann.*

*Membership Numbers:* Ken advised we have two new members. Current membership shows a total of 492 Chapter members, including 193 Full, 87 Commercial, 61 Associate, 62 Group, and 89 Online members. Ron Lyons spoke to the members regarding encouraging their vendors to join APCO, as well as colleagues in their organizations. Ken also mentioned the new full members will receive the requisite complimentary meeting registration. They included:

*Active:*

-Kirby Neese, LA County Fire

*Commercial:*

-Jay Sungu, Alcatel

### **2014 Board of Officers**

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*Executive Council Delegate Report – Dick Granado:* Dick told the group we are trying to get a room for the Chapter Meeting in New Orleans. When we find out if we have the room, we will publish it as soon as we know.

*Treasurer’s Report – Joe Parrino.*

*Monthly Financial Report:* Joe provided a report of income and expenses for the previous 30 day period. He outlined specific dollar amounts regarding income and expenditures, all of which can be made available upon member request.

**APCO 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President Candidate Endorsement – Dick G.** Dick advised the group we will not be endorsing either candidate. Both are strong viable candidates, so it was the Executive Committee’s decision to encourage Chapter Members to make their own informed decision about who they would like to vote for as 2<sup>nd</sup> VP. Ken Shearen asked about which year, of the APCO Western Regional Conference (WRC), we will be able to bid. Dick responded that it is unclear at this time if there will be a WRC in 2017 and/or 2018, because both years will be having the APCO International Conference & Expo in the western region. He stated we should have an answer sometime during the APCO International Conference & Expo. Gary asked member to advise him if they are appointed to any APCO International Committees.

**Regulatory Update.**

*FCC Issues – Dave Buchanan:* Dave said there has not been much out of the FCC lately. He touched on some rulings which have not come down from the FCC, but are expected shortly. Dave told the group he’s been asked by several people if there will be any training regarding Spectrum E. He said they will be setting up training for sometime in late September, the date to be determined. Dick advised the group Dave received the Hertz NIPSTC

**Program Presentation – Lieutenant Mike Peters.** Ray Grimes introduced OC Sheriff’s Training Academy Commander Lieutenant Mike Peters. Lt. Peters gave a quick history of his time with the OC Sheriff’s Department, beginning with his going through the same academy. He spoke of his command of the academy, its connection to Santa Ana College, and the attrition rates for recruits going through the academy. He spoke of the type of law enforcement officer they want to produce through their training program. Lt. Peters presented a Power Point slideshow of their academy and some of their other training facilities. He talked about physical requirements, education, ethical training, and other types of training recruits go through at the OC Sheriff’s Training Academy. Lt. Peters also fielded questions from the group.

**Meeting Adjourned.** The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 P.M.

**Notes for the Record.**

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

Respectfully submitted,  
Scott Espindola  
Secretary

## 2014 Meeting Dates

### January 16, 2014

#### **Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course Event Center**

CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday December 30, 2014

*Early Bird Sponsor - The Sales Group*

### February 20, 2014

#### **Duarte - Old Spaghetti Factory**

CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday February 3, 2014

*Early Bird Sponsor - Survey Technologies Inc*

### March 20, 2014

#### **Loma Ridge**

CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday March 3, 2014

*Meeting & Early Bird Sponsor - Times Microwave*

### April 17, 2014

#### **Buena Park - Knott's Berry Farm Resort**

Technical Awards AM  
Annual Dispatchers' Banquet PM  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday March 31, 2014

*Early Bird Sponsor - Axell Wireless*

### May 7-9, 2014 - 2014 WRC

#### **Wigwam Resort - Litchfield Park, AZ**

### May 15, 2014

#### **Irvine - Double Tree Irvine Spectrum**

CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday April 28, 2014

*Meeting & Early Bird Sponsor - Aeroflex*

### June 19, 2014

#### **Goleta - Moseley Wireless Solutions**

CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday June 2, 2014

*Early Bird Sponsor - Applied Technology Group*  
*Meeting Sponsor - Moseley Wireless Solutions*

### July 17th 2014

#### **Orange County Sheriff's Academy**

CommLink Cutoff Date

Monday June 30, 2014

*Early Bird Sponsor - Chair-Pros*

### August 3-6, 2014 - APCO Intl Conference

#### **New Orleans**

### August 21, 2014

#### **San Marcos - Old Spaghetti Factory**

CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday August 11, 2014

*Early Bird Sponsor - Zetron*

### September 18, 2014

#### **Annual "No Ties Meeting" - Thousand Oaks**

CommLink Cutoff Date  
Tuesday September 2, 2014

*Early Bird Sponsors - Bassett Sales & Talley*  
*Communications*

### October 23, 2014

#### **Quiet Cannon - Montebello**

Annual "Tabletop Meeting"  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday September 29, 2014

*Early Bird Sponsor*

### November 20, 2014

#### **TBA**

CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday November 3, 2014

*Early Bird Sponsor*

### December 3, 2014

#### **Annual Holiday Officer Installation - Downey**

#### **Rio Hondo Event Center**

CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday November 24, 2014

*Early Bird Sponsor*

### 2014 Executive Committee Quarterly Meetings

January 8, 2014 - Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course

April 9, 2014 - Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course

July 9, 2014 - Redondo Beach Yacht Club

November 12, 2014 - Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course

**INVITATION  
TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
“DISPATCHER’S ROUND TABLE”**

**DATE:** WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2014  
**TIME:** 1000 – 1200 HRS  
**LOCATION:** RIO HONDO GOLF COURSE  
**ADDRESS:** 10627 OLD RIVER SCHOOL ROAD  
DOWNEY, CA 90241

**WHAT IS IT?**

*AN INFORMATIVE AND INTERESTING ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION EXPLORING TOPICS OF INTEREST TO DISPATCH PERSONNEL. A CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST WILL BE SERVED.*

**COST?**

*FREE*

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND?**

*DISPATCHERS, LEAD DISPATCHERS, DISPATCH SUPERVISORS*

**TAKE AWAY INFORMATION:**

*COMMUNICATE WITH DISPATCHERS FROM OTHER AGENCIES ON MATTERS SUCH AS: TEXT TO 9-1-1; COHESIVE SUPERVISION; MOTIVATING THE UNMOTIVATED; AND, ANYTHING ELSE TIME ALLOWS (EMAIL SUGGESTIONS IF YOU’D LIKE TO SEE SOMETHING ON THE LIST OF TOPICS. WE’LL DO OUR BEST TO COVER IT)*

**FACILITATOR:**

*SCOTT ESPINDOLA, COMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR  
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT*

**CHANGES:**

*WE WILL BEGIN THE SESSION WITH CYNDEE FREEMAN, COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER WITH SAN BERNARDINO SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT, WHO WILL ADDRESS THE GROUP REGARDING “TEXT TO 9-1-1” FOR 15-20 MINUTES, FOLLOWED BY QUESTIONS OR DISCUSSION.*

**SPACE IS LIMITED - RESERVE A SEAT NLT 8/18/14. CONTACT :**

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# ATTENTION!!!

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CHAPTER OFFICER? CHAPTER ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 23, 2014

If you are interested in becoming an officer of our Chapter, or know someone you would  
*like to nominate, please contact Tim Trager*  
(909) 388-5563 or send an email to: [ttrager@isd.sbcounty.gov](mailto:ttrager@isd.sbcounty.gov)

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.

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

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