



# COMMILINK

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

## December 2016 Meeting - Officer Installation

This month's meeting will be held on November 17, 2016 at the  
Pomona Valley Mining Company, 1777 Gillette Road, Pomona, CA 91768

**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.

### DIRECTIONS:

#### From Los Angeles Area:

- Take 10 Freeway toward San Bernardino
- Take Dudley Street exit
- Turn left onto North Dudley Street
- Turn left onto Gillette Road

**Meeting Host:** Ron Wong Los Angeles County-ISD (Retired)

### Agenda:

- 1600 - 1700 Frequency Coordination
- 1830 - 1930 Social Hour
- 1930 - 2200 Dinner
- Special Guest - Lt Mike Madden - San Bernardino Police Dept.
- Officer Installation
- Awards

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**CHAPTER MEETING**  
**Rio Hondo Event Center - Downey**  
**November 17, 2016**

**SUMMARY**

**Meeting Host:** Jim Acosta Downey Fire Comm. (Retired)  
**Early Bird Sponsor:**  
**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the November meeting are posted on the CPRA Website.  
**Treasurer's Report:** See comments  
**Program:**  
**Attendance:**

The Chapter meeting was called to order by Chapter President **Ron Wong** at 10:10 am (Pacific). Ron welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Flag Salute**

The flag salute was led by Chapter Past President **John Sarkissian**.

**Welcoming Remarks**

Chapter President **Ron Wong** noted that the country celebrated Veteran's Day this month and asked that all military veterans who were in attendance to stand. Several members stood to applaud by the group.

President **Ron Wong** started the around the room self-introductions and asked that the Veterans also identify their branch of service and where they served.

Vice-CCAM **Ron Lyons** conducted the Commercial Member introductions. Ron thanked MCM Technology for being the early-bird sponsor to the meeting.

**Future Meetings**

Chapter President-Elect **Dale Digiambattista** reported that the next meeting is the Annual Holiday event and Chapter Officer Installation which will be at the Pomona Valley Mining Company Restaurant in Pomona, CA. Dale noted that the January Chapter meeting will be held back in Downey at the Rio Hondo Golf Course.

**Membership Report**

Chapter Vice-President **Scott Espindola** gave the Membership Report. CPRA has a total of 528 members of which 279 are Full Members, 79 are Commercial Members, 126 are Online Members, and 44 are Associate Members. The Chapter had 15 new members this month which were 7 Full Members, 2 Commercial Members, and 6 Online Members. Scott also noted that the 2017 Western Regional Conference Call for Papers are due tomorrow (November 18<sup>th</sup>) and to contact him if you know of anyone who wants to present.

**Treasurer Report**

Chapter Treasurer **Joe Parrino** gave the Financial Reports.

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The October Tabletop Financial Report showed an income of \$21,195.00, expenditures of \$7,525.35, and a total income of \$13,669.65.

The Chapter Finance Report shows that the Chapter had a total income for the month of \$21,195.00 (mostly due to the Tabletop), and expenditures of \$10,576.87. The Business Banking Account has a balance of \$37,689.55, the Non-Profit Checking has a balance of \$12,268.56, the Conference Checking has a balance of \$12,969.03, the Western Regional Conference Merchant Account has a balance of \$1,557.59, and there is currently \$117.21 in Petty Cash. The total available funds are \$64,601.94.

### **Executive Council Delegate Report**

Chapter Past President **Richard Garanado** reported that the APCO Executive Committee attended meetings with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) October 15-18 and also met with the Central Station Alarm Association. APCO held an Emerging Technology Forum on November 1-2, 2016 in Seattle, WA with 200 attendees present. There was also a meeting to review the progress of Project 43 Committee while in Seattle.

Richard reported that there are now 27,564 members of APCO International. He reminded everyone that their membership expires on December 31, 2016 and to make sure they renew it. Jim also noted that on January 1, 2017 nominations will start being accepted for the Annual APCO PSAP Awards.

### **Open Discussion**

Chapter Past President **Don Miller** reported that in the last several months there has been a big increase in Telephone Denial of Service (TDoS) attacks on several systems. He wanted to remind everyone to be very mindful of their security and to have good firewalls in place. Several PSAPs have been taken offline by these attacks. The attackers are using Web robots or “bots” in cameras, transmitters, etc. Make sure you have proper security.

### **Guest Speaker Presentation**

CCAM **Larry Weber** introduced **Patricia Ferguson** from **MCM Technology** who was the meeting Early-Bird Sponsor. Patricia did a short PowerPoint presentation on their Communications Asset Management Software. This software tracks, manages and maintains your maintenance activities.

### **Guest Speaker Presentation**

Chapter President-Elect **Dale Digiambattista** introduced Supervising Deputy District Attorney **Carlos Monagas** from the **Riverside County District Attorney’s Office**. Mr. Monagas provided a PowerPoint presentation “After the Call, A Prosecutor’s View on 9-1-1 Evidence During Trial” which outlined the use of 9-1-1 call recordings and how they impact an outcome of a criminal trial. He gave some pointers on how questions asked during the call, letting the caller just keep talking, or even sounds or comments in the background of the caller, can be a great asset during the trial to let the Jurors understand the emotions of the moment. Several examples were presented.

The meeting was recessed by Chapter President **Ron Wong** at 12:05 pm (Pacific) for lunch.

After Lunch the Chapter Frequency Advisory Committee and the 2017 Western Regional Conference Committee met.

## 2016 Meeting Dates

### January 21, 2016

**Santa Fe Springs - Geezers Restaurant**  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday January 4, 2016  
*Meeting Sponsor - Dailey Wells*

### February 18, 2016

**Downey - Rio Hondo**  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday February 1, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsor - The Sales Group*

### March 8-10, 2016 - 2016 WRC **Portland, OR**

### March 17, 2016

**Claremont - Hughes Center**  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday February 29, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsor*

### April 14, 2016

**Buena Park - Knott's Berry Farm Resort**  
Technical Awards AM  
Annual Dispatchers' Banquet PM  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday March 28, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsor -*

### May 19, 2016

**Riverwalk Building - Riverside**  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday May 2, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsor -*

### June 16, 2016

**Downey - Rio Hondo**  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday May, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsor - Bassett Sales*

### July 21, 2016

**Santa Fe Springs - Talley Communications**  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday July 5, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsor - Talley Communications*

### August 14-17, 2016 - APCO International Conference

#### **Orlando, Florida**

### August 25, 2016

**San Marcos - Old Spaghetti Factory**  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday August 1, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsor - The Sales Group & Lyons Communications*

### September 15, 2016

**Thousand Oaks - Annual "No Ties Meeting"**  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Tuesday August 29, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsors - Bassett Sales, Talley Communications & Harris Corp.*

### October 27, 2016

**Montebello - Quiet Cannon**  
Annual "Tabletop Meeting"  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday October 3, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsor & Meeting Sponsors - Commercial Members - See Program Guide at Venue*

### November 17, 2016

**Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course Event Center**  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday October 31, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsor - MCM Technology*

### December 1, 2016

**Annual Holiday Officer Installation**  
**Pomona - Pomona Valley Mining Company**  
CommLink Cutoff Date  
Monday November 21, 2016  
*Early Bird Sponsor*

### 2016 Executive Committee Quarterly Meetings

January 6, 2016 - Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course

April 6, 2016 - Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course

July 6, 2016 - Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course

November 2, 2016 - Downey - Rio Hondo Golf Course



Have you gotten your new CPRA shirt yet?

We have style and size choices!

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For those who prefer a more appropriate fit, we have a woman's cut.

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