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Summary of Recent Monthly Chapter Meeting Sponsored by Motorola Solutions

A Quick update on the November chapter meeting.

A big thank you to our commercial sponsor, Motorola Solutions! Motorola employees were in abundance, and they provided a great presentation on P25 cores for the membership. More on that later.

President Andrews reviewed the recent Board of Directors conference call, and gave some time to Immediate Past President Angela Azevedo. Angela presented a bylaw change that was unanimously approved providing voting privileges to the Chapter Secretary, Treasurer, and Commercial Activities Coordinator. With all of the hard work and amount of involvement these positions have, voting rights seemed a logical conclusion.

We also received nominations for several board positions that are up for reelection. There are two board members whose terms have expired, Mike Del Fava, and Jeff Blau. Jeff is unable to serve again due to term limits, but Mike and now Jackie Pace have been nominated to fill those two board positions. In addition to that, every year, the Commercial Activities Coordinator, currently Mike Sage, needs to receive a sustaining vote, as well as every other year for the Executive Council Representative, currently Desi Calzada. Voting on these positions and the new Vice President, will be open during the Annual Meeting held December 13th, and will be available to all full chapter members of APCO.

After the chapter business, Motorola gave a great presentation on P25 systems, and subscribers. There was lots of discussion on standards and open architecture, and of course, how Motorola can fill these requirements, and provide other features as well.

Last we had Don Stabler provide an outstanding, in depth, but easy to follow, presentation on the COML position, as defined by the National Incident Management System, how it fits into emergency management, and the importance of having properly trained individuals in this position.

Don't miss our next meeting, the annual Chapter Meeting and Table Top.



November Chapter Meeting Sponsors

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2012 Chapter President, Scott Andrews, and sons

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

2012, What a Year It Has Been!

Please join us for the 2012 NAPCO Vendor Tabletop and Holiday Luncheon in Concord on December 13th. We have added many new elements to provide more for the membership and create a better opportunity to connect with others in the public safety community. Check out the new break out room session tract offering up to date information on NG 911 and an APCO Broadband. Attend the luncheon and be impressed with the speaker lineup listed in this month's issue. This is truly the best opportunity to connect with public safety professionals in Northern California!

It's hard to believe my tenure as your President is already drawing to a close. It seems like just the other day I was being sworn in and looking forward to the opportunity and challenges as serving the NAPCO Membership. I want to extend a heartfelt "thank you" to the membership that supported me and the entire Board. Without the support of the membership we simply don't have a Chapter, and through your dedicated participation I feel we are one of the strongest APCO Chapters in the Country. I also want to specifically thank all of the vendors that tirelessly support NAPCO, from monthly meetings to our annual conference each year. As a non-profit organization that strives to give back to the membership and community, we simply could not function without you. Last, but certainly not least, I want to thank the entire Board of Directors that I had the privilege to serve with. This is one of the hardest working groups of people I have ever known, as well as the most dedicated to the overall mission of APCO International.

Thank you!

NAPCO Annual Vendor Table Top and Awards Banquet and Luncheon

This year, the Table Top and luncheon have been expanded.

Once again, we will be at the Hilton Hotel in Concord, California. This year's event has been sold out. Over 50 vendors will be on display, with staff on hand to answer your questions, and display their products and services. In addition to the vendor line up, we have also added some dynamic speaking engagements.

First, during the vendor display time from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM, there will be two breakout sessions located in an adjoining classroom. First will be MicroData 911. They will be presenting on Next Gen 911 systems, and how they have helped agencies overcome Next Gen 911 hurdles and what technology solutions are now available to the public safety market.

Following MicroData 911 will be seasoned speaker and public safety communications and technology expert Bill Schrier. Bill is past chair and current member of the Public Safety Spectrum Trust Operator Advisory Committee and current Deputy Director of the Center for Digital Government. He will be hosting an APCO Broadband Roundtable.

If you are looking to further your knowledge on these issues, these free sessions will not disappoint. Both sessions will offer fabulous speakers and dynamic content. If you will be attending the luncheon, Karen Wong, the Director of the Public Safety Communications Office – State of California, will be providing us with a keynote presentation. In addition to these speakers, there is also the annual awards presentations, 7 categories delivered by NAPCO, and one special presentation by one of our partner agencies, 911 for kids.

The NAPCO December Table Top is truly the one place to be for Public Safety Communications Experts, Communicators and Administrators this December. With all of the expertise lined up in one place, one day only, there will be something for everyone.

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"Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home." – Edith Sitwell

TABLE TOP VENDORS

- 49er Communications
- Aeroflex
- Alcatel-Lucent
- American Power Systems
- AT&T
- Aviat Networks
- Avtec*
- Axell Wireless
- BIRD Technologies TXRX
- Bosch Security (Telex) *
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- DACOM Showing ICOM & Daniels
- Data 911
- Datron
- Day Wireless Systems
- Dupont Communication Shelters
- Eaton (Wrightline)*
- EF Johnson
- EMR Corporation
- Enersys
- Epic Marketing showing Kenwood, Anritsu, Pyramid
- Eupen Cable
- Eventide*
- FSI Energy Services
- GTS Honeywell Batteries
- Harris Corporation
- Higher Ground*
- Intergraph Corporation*
- MicroDATA 9-1-1*
- Mobilicom
- Motorola Solutions
- MP Antenna Company
- NOVA Lighting
- Procomm Marketing showing General Dynamics and Rhode & Schwarz
- Pryme Radio Products
- Public Safety Innovation
- Quintron Systems Integration
- Raytheon
- RELM Wireless BK Radio
- RF Rep (Jeff Johnson) Midland
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- Simoco Americas
- Survey Technologies Inc
- Tait Communications
- Talley Inc
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- * Dispatch Centric

Table Top and Awards Banquet and Luncheon Sponsors



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Speaker Schedule:

Breakout Sessions

9:00 – MicroData 9-1-1

10:00 – Bill Schrier for APCO Broadband Roundtable

Luncheon

12:55 – Elise Kim for 911 For Kids Awards Presentation

1:20 – Jackie Andrews for Operation Kid Safety First Special Presentation

1:35 - Karen Wong, State of CA PSCO, Keynote Presentation

“What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness.”
– John Steinbeck

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Table Top Speaker Bios

Karen Wong – Director of the Public Safety Communications Office (State of California)
(Key Note Speaker)

Karen Wong was appointed Director, Public Safety Communications Division with the California Technology Agency on October 27, 2009. As a member of the California Technology Agency's Senior Staff, she advises the California Technology Agency on the strategic management and direction of public safety communications including the 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Program serving over 34 million people in 58 counties and the Public Safety Radio and Microwave Communications Systems serving the State's Public Safety Agencies as well as over 100 smaller local governmental entities.



Elise Kim – Executive Director 9-1-1 for Kids
(9-1-1 for Kids - Heroes Awards Presentation)

Elise Kim – Elise has served as the Executive Director of 9-1-1 for Kids since 1994 when it was founded. She is the co-founder and CEO of Athletes and Entertainers for Kids (1986). Elise was appointed to the Communications Security, Reliability, and Interoperability Council (CSRIC) of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in 2011. 9-1-1 for Kids® is the official emergency caller training program created by US 9-1-1 communication center officials, emergency medical, fire and law enforcement professionals who were charged with the task of developing educational tools to help reduce the alarmingly high numbers of non-emergency calls made to 9-1-1.



Bill Schrier – Deputy Director of the Center for Digital Government
(APCO Broadband Roundtable Discussion)

Bill Schrier is the Deputy Director of the Center for Digital Government, www.centerdigitalgov.com. He was Chief Technology Officer (CTO) of the City of Seattle from 2003 until retiring in 2012. In that capacity he oversaw the City's Department of Information Technology (DoIT) with 200+ employees and budgets up to \$59 million. Since 1995 he also directed the operation and enhancement of the Seattle portion of the King County 800 MHz radio network with 5,000 wireless devices. From 2010 to 2012 he chaired the Public Safety Spectrum Trust Operator Advisory Committee and the APCO Broadband Committee, and is currently a member and active in both groups.

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“Are ye the ghosts of fallen leaves, O flakes of snow, For which, through naked trees, the winds A-mourning go?” – John Banister Tabb



UPCOMING APCO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

APCO International 79th Annual Conference and Expo
August 18-21, 2013 Anaheim, CA

This year's show will be hosted by our friends from CPRA in Sunny Southern California. Don't miss it, it is sure to be a great show, with plenty to keep you informed and entertained.

The call for papers is now open, visit APCO2013.org to submit a paper, or become a vendor!

Future Locations:

2013 – Anaheim, CA
2014 – New Orleans, LA
2015 – Washington, DC



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*“O, wind,
If Winter comes, can Spring be far behind?”
– Percy Bysshe Shelley*

We are public safety communications professionals, representing the Northern California Chapter of APCO International. APCO boasts membership of more than 16,000 in 46 chapters, worldwide.

Chapter meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month

Next meeting date and details:

Date: *Thursday, December 13, 2012*

Location: *Hilton Hotel
1970 Diamond Road
Concord, CA 94520*

Host: *Mike Sage, The Sales Group, Inc. / NAPCO
Commercial Chair*

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UPCOMING CHAPTER MEETING SCHEDULE

January 10, 2013
Sacramento, CA

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February 14, 2013
Location TBD
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March 14, 2013
Location TBD
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“Blow, blow, thou winter wind, thou art not so unkind as man's ingratitude.”
– William Shakespeare