Greetings to WA APCO/NENA Chapter members!

Aloha all,

Summer is in full swing – along with vacation time, staff shortages and overtime. Take care of yourselves and each other!

I’ll be headed to Baltimore for the International APCO conference. I look forward to seeing many of you there. I’ll be paying special attention to the discussion about joint chapters and discussions surrounding how APCO might decide to decertify a Chapter… Lots of politics and opinions floating around about these topics.

Preparations are underway for the big Fall Conference in the Tri-cities – I hope to see even more of you there to celebrate the swearing in of our new officers (and the swearing at a certain out-going officer)! Awards ceremony, huge vendor floor, great training and networking opportunities.

This may be my last entry into our newsletters as President and I want to thank all of you for the hard work you do every day. The work in our centers across the state, the local and state level political work and, as important, your work with our chapter. I am particularly grateful for my committee chairs, my Executive Committee and all of you that have dedicate time and material to ensuring the success of our chapter.

We are on the brink of Telecommunicator Certification and further professional recognition at the Federal level as well as within our state. As you know, this has been a massive lift for over 20 years. My hope is that in the 2020 legislative session we will finally make it happen.

We continue to educate our legislators and provide input on legislation that will impact our industry in this state. Our work this year enabled Thurston County to forward legislation that will allow counties across the state to ask their constituents to support up to 2/10ths of 1% sales and use tax to support emergency communications.

Technology continues to evolve, often more rapidly than we can keep up. Fortunately our state is a leader in the country when it comes to leveraging new technology and in looking for ways to improve our service and reduce costs.

I continue to be in awe of my profession and the hard work that all of you do. I am grateful that I took this path in emergency services and am heartened by the headway we are making and the younger crop of professionals moving up behind us!

Thank you for all that you do.

Karl
#911SAVESACT – efforts to reclassify 911 professionals has new life thanks to @NormaJTorres! @WA-APCONENA supports. @OMBPress we SUPPORT! 911 folks, take action:

Senators Burr and Klobuchar have introduced a Senate version of the 911 SAVES Act! Even if you’ve already written your Congressmen and Senators in the past few weeks, use this form to send another message urging their continued support and sponsorship.

https://p2a.co/PzAhdr2

https://www.votervoice.net/mobile/APCO/Campaigns/63585/Respond

For Updates Go To: www.congress.gov

Congrats to Lori Markham with Spokane Regional Emergency Communications (SREC), the new Executive Director for the agency. Lori was hired in 2008 as a City of Spokane Fire Dispatcher and the city’s Combined Comminutions Center. She was promoted in 2013 to Operations Manager, a position she held until 2017 when she was promoted to Acting Division Chief. Lori will begin her new role on September 1st, 2019.

Call for Papers is Open!
Ogden, UT
April 6-9, 2020
(Click on Logo for Conference Website)
The Public Safety Communications Conference will be held on the week of October 8th, 2019!

https://eventleaf.com/PSCC

October 8th - Director’s Meeting
October 8th - Chapter Meeting
October 9-11th - Conference
October 9-10th - Vendor Floor
October 10th - Awards Banquet

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**Tuesday-**

**Director/Manager’s Meeting (Rooms E/F/G/H) [Lunch Served at 1200-1300 Great Hall A]**

Registration Open

Chapter Meeting (Great Hall A)

Chapter Dinner (Great Hall A)

**Wednesday-**

**New Attendee Breakfast (Room G) – First Time Attendees Only**

**Opening Ceremony and Keynote Presentation (Great Hall A)**

**Break (Lobby/Cyber Café)**

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**Lunch and Special Recognition/Chapters Announcements (Great Hall A)**

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<td>Diversity in the Workplace April Reynolds - CRE-SA</td>
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**Speed Networking Round 1 (Hall outside Rooms G and H)**

**Vendor Floor Grand Opening (Lobby) and Reception (Great Halls B, C, and D)**
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FALL CONFERENCE GIFT BASKET AUCTION

Back by popular demand! Take the time to donate a basket to our auction at this year’s Public Safety Communications Conference. All proceeds support the Chapter’s Telecommunicator Certification efforts!

- Baskets may be donated by individuals, PSAPs or vendors.
- Bring your basket with you to the Fall Conference in Kennewick and give it to a Chapter Services member at the tables in the lobby.
- Baskets will be given a starting price determined by the Chapter Services Committee.
- Baskets of ALL sizes and values are welcome—have fun with it!
  - Consider a small baskets or less expensive basket for more bidding fun!
- **IMPORTANT!** If your donated basket includes alcohol of any kind, it must be completely wrapped inside the basket or inside a sealed gift box. Any alcohol displayed on its own or removed from its sealed packaging will be confiscated immediately.
- Bidding closes on Friday, October 10th at 1800 hours—just before the Awards Banquet Dinner.

- Winners must pay for and pick up their baskets before 1000 hours on Friday morning. If you bid on a basket and will not be staying, make arrangements for someone to pay for and pick up the basket for you. We will not ship baskets.
- If you have any questions about the auction, please contact Molly at ChapSvc@waapconena.org

- **Thank you for participating—the Chapter appreciates you!**
The Executive Council met on August 9th in Baltimore in advance of the APCO Conference & Expo. There were two proposed Policy Manual amendments which were recommended by the Board of Directors for Executive Council consideration. Following breakout sessions for discussion, the council reconvened for formal discussion and voting.

Policy Manual 3.3 discussion centered around allowing existing joint chapters to continue to operate while preventing chapters from becoming a joint chapter in the future. After a significant amount of discussion, the EC did not vote on the recommendation and forwarded the request for the APCO President to create a committee/task force to discuss the joint chapter concerns and come up with a recommendation or best practice guide that addresses the concerns of APCO, Intl while allowing chapters to do what is needed for success in their states or regions. The committee/task force has not yet been created.

Policy Manual 3.4 added a condition to the list of considerations for the Executive Council to cancel and/or modify a chapter charter stating “The Chapter fails to demonstrate that it supports the mission, purpose, policies, or practices of the Association.” The Washington chapter spoke to the belief that the other three conditions covered that topic and that there could be times where a chapter was not in full support of APCO, Intl which shouldn’t lead to the possible cancellation of a charter. After further discussion, The Executive Council voted in favor of the language addition.

The governance structure created within APCO, International worked. The concerns and recommendations were brought forward from the Board of Directors to the Executive Council and the Council was able to discuss, vote, and recommend. The Washington Chapter believes in the strength of the joint chapters and remains concerned that in the future chapters may not have the flexibility to organize as is needed in their state/region. Our chapter looks forward to hearing of the discussions of the committee and will continue to be a vocal proponent of chapters determining how best to structure in their state/region.
Technology Update!

Have you heard of TFOPA and other 911 related recommendation documents? Wondering how and who created those? Here is your chance to have your voice heard. The FCC commissioned Communications Security, Reliability, and Interoperability Council Seven (CSRIC VII) and is seeking participation in the working groups. Goto https://www.fcc.gov/about-fcc/advisory-committees/communications-security-reliability-and-interoperability-council-vii to learn more about each working group.

Working Group 1: Alert Originator Standard Operating Procedures – Chair: Craig Fugate, America’s Public Television Stations
Working Group 2: Managing Security Risk in the Transition to 5G – Chair: Lee Thibaudeau, Nsight
Working Group 3: Managing Security Risk in Emerging 5G Implementations – Chair: Farrokh Khatibi, Qualcomm
Working Group 4: 911 Security Vulnerabilities During the IP Transition – Chair: Mary A. Boyd, West Safety Services
Working Group 5: Improving Broadcast Resiliency – Chair: Pat Roberts, Florida Association of Broadcasters
Working Group 6: SIP Security Vulnerabilities – Chair: Danny McPherson, Verisign

If you haven’t already registered for the Fall Conference you should do it now! There are 2 technical specific tracks this year with a lot of training and collaborative educational sessions. Radio, IT, Security, NG911 – it’s all there and it’s focused on Technical Professionals.
NEW POSITIONS

E911 Training Program Manager

E911 Training Program Coordinator
Early Bird Full Registration is only $250 until November 1, 2019

- All Professional Development Tracks
- Exhibit Hall (incl. 2 lunches)
- Night Event at the Salomon Center
- Thursday Banquet

Register now at 2020apcowrc.org

Submit your proposal for a professional development session in our Call for Papers. Selected sessions will receive one full conference registration.


Submit your proposal at 2020apcowrc.org/call-for-papers
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Hosted by Klickitat County Emergency Management
APCO—Certified Training Officer
Class #54108
September 23-25, 2019
Tuition: $389.00 (member)

Class #54160
APCO—Crisis Negotiations
November 12 OR 13, 2019 (class held twice)
Tuition: $199 (member)

To Register—Go to:

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