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The 2009 IWCE Breakfast Wants You!

It's almost here -- the RCA breakfast at IWCE -- so be sure to sign up so you aren't left hungry. The breakfast will be at the Renaissance Hotel next to the Las Vegas Convention Center on Thursday, March 19, from 7:30 am to 9:00 am. The keynote speaker this year is Michael Hunter, CEO of RCC Consultants. The sponsors include [CTA Communications](#), [Mission Critical Communications](#), [RadioSoft](#), [Schwaninger & Associates](#), [Tait Radio Communications](#) and [RCC Consultants](#).

Please fill out the reservation form and send it with your payment by March 12. [Click here for the reservation form.](#)

While you're attending the IWCE show, stop by the Radio Club Booth #1151 on the show floor and say hello. Contact Karen at 303/948-4921 or Karen@radioclubofamerica.org to volunteer for booth duty.

Update on November's Centennial Celebration

Save the date! Make your reservation now for this once-in-a-lifetime two-day event, the Centennial Celebration of the Radio Club of America, set for Nov. 20-21 at the Georgetown Conference Center and Hotel in Washington, D.C., right on the Georgetown

University campus. Events already are in the works for the event, starting with the Welcome Reception Friday night, followed by a full day of exhibits, panel discussions, speakers, awards, amateur radio transmissions and plenty of time for networking, capped off by the Centennial Celebration Gala event Saturday night. Here is the preliminary [schedule](#). More information will follow in this **RCA Online** and on the Web site.

Texas APCO Now Offers IP Course For Radio Personnel

Carroll Hollingsworth, *Director and Regional Conference Committee Chair*, and Richard Biby, *RCA Director and Education Committee Co-Chair*, are excited to announce that, this year, the Radio Club of America in conjunction with ETA International will offer a course called "Digital to IP for Radio Personnel." The course, in partnership with the Texas APCO chapter, will be given at the annual Texas APCO conference in Galveston starting April 27, and it's appropriate for radio technicians and technical staff. The course was developed by Biby and Tom Janca, CETsr, a telecommunications instructor and presenter for ETA International. For pricing and more details, contact Texas APCO at <http://www.txapco.org/>.

Make Plans To Attend The Radio Club Texas Dinner

The Third Annual Texas Event is scheduled for April 28 at 7 p.m. in conjunction with the Texas APCO Training Conference & Exhibition at the Galveston Island Convention Center. [Click here for the reservation form for the dinner.](#) Sponsorship opportunities for this event are available in three different levels; please contact Carroll Hollingsworth at dhlago@aol.com or at 800/966-3357, ext. 701.

Exciting News From The Education Committee!

The Education Committee received its first donation of a complete ham radio station that will be given to the Lake Monroe Amateur Radio Club in Orlando, Fla. The club takes a specially equipped trailer to different schools to demonstrate ham radio communications. It also goes into schools and children's hospitals to demonstrate how to make contact with the International Space Station via ham radio. The club says it's extremely grateful to The Radio Club of America for the donation of the much-needed equipment. Please contact Carole Perry at wb2mcp@ix.netcom.com or 718/668-9347 if you can donate equipment to the Education Committee.

- Carole Perry, Co-Chair, Education Committee



2008 Hiram Percy Maxim Award Nominations Needed

The ARRL seeks nominations for the [2008 Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award](#), awarded annually to a radio amateur younger than 21 in recognition of the recipient's accomplishments and contributions "of the most exemplary nature" to both the Amateur Radio community and the local community during the previous calendar year -- 2008 in this instance.

Nomination criteria may include:

- Participation or leadership in organizational affairs at the local or national level (for example: local radio club, ARES, Net control or participation in civic groups).
- Technical achievement (for example: building a radio or putting up an antenna).
- Operating record (for example: nets, disaster drills, contests or sweepstakes).
- Recruitment and training of new amateurs (for example: helping to teach a license class or Jamboree on the Air).
- Public-relations activities (for example: creating a ham radio Web page).

All information -- including the nomination form, supporting information, endorsement of ARRL-affiliated clubs and elected or appointed League leadership officials -- should be submitted with the nomination to an ARRL Section Manager. An award panel will review the nominations received and will select the winner. The winner receives a cash award of \$1,500 and an engraved plaque.

"The award is intended to provide a tangible reward to those deserving young amateurs who daily contribute their time, skills and energies through their commitment to Amateur Radio. As models for their peers -- and inspirations to us all -- these fine young people are highly visible boosters of Amateur Radio," ARRL says on its Web site. "We must continue to recognize and encourage their hard work and contributions at every opportunity."

[Nomination forms](#) must be submitted before March 31. All additional support information must be received at ARRL on or before April 15. For more information, contact Steve Ewald, WV1X, via [e-mail](#) or at 860/594-0265.

FYI

Dr. Paul Jacobs, who keynoted the Radio Club's 99th Annual Awards Banquet last November, was promoted to chairman of Qualcomm Incorporated. He will take over immediately for his father Irwin Jacobs, who co-founded Qualcomm and served as CEO from 1985 through 2005.

Do you know someone who isn't yet a member of the Radio Club of America? Click [here](#) for more information..
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 **We'd love to hear from you! Send your feedback to karen@radioclubofamerica.org or phone 303/948-4921. Produced for the Radio Club of America by Marketing Connection, Littleton, CO**

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