



ARCOVER

South Bay Amateur Radio Club



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*A Community Service Organization
Dedicated to Amateur Radio Since 1970*

Website: <http://www.w6sba.org>

President - Alex - KD6LPA

October 2010



KD6LPA Presents: "Frugal Computing"

Our own Pres, Alex will present a talk on Frugal Computing. Need a cheap PC for logging contacts, programming your radio, tracking APRS or running other Digital Modes?

Why spend hundreds of dollars for a state of the art PC, which is usually overkill for simple amateur radio tasks. Join us this Thursday, October 21 when Alex shares his best kept secrets for acquiring modest PCs that won't get you in trouble with your Chief Financial Officer, or make a serious dent in your checking account. You won't want to miss this presentation!

ELECTIONS, ELECTIONS, ELECTIONS!!!

This issue of the ARCOVER will no doubt go down in history as the "Election" issue. In addition to electing a new governor, this November will also be the month we elect a new Director for the ARRL Southwest Division. The statements for both candidates are included in this ARCOVER, and the SBARC council hopes you will use this information to consider both candidates carefully, and take the time to vote.



The incumbent Vice Director of the Southwest Division, Marty Woll, N6VI, is running unopposed, and therefore has already been re-elected.

But wait, there's still another election in November. That's right, it's time once again to vote for next year's 2011 SBARC council. The club needs you! If you can donate some of your time and energy, please consider running for office. Yes, all positions are up for grabs! I think it's always healthy to have new people in the mix, bringing fresh ideas and viewpoints to the council meetings. It helps the club grow in new directions and try new ideas. This year, for example, we had several Do-It-Yourself sessions for building PSK circuits and the turnout was overwhelming. More sessions will be scheduled as soon as possible.

Council members meet on the first Wednesday of each month, currently at our Secretary's QTH. Most of the council actions occur during these meetings, but occasionally decisions are made thru email communication. The council meetings generally run for about 2 hours (7:30-9:30pm). If you're interested in running, we'd love to have you! Please contact any council member. At our October meeting, The Nominating Committee will present a list of candidates who have already expressed interest in running for a council position. Thank you all for your continued hard work and dedication to our club! -- Alex

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ROY HAWKER - SK

Last month, we published a tribute to Roy Hawker, but unfortunately, did not have a picture to include with the article.

Shortly after the September ARC-OVER was released, I was pleased to receive an email from Roy's son, Mike, thanking us for the kind words in our newsletter. Both Mike and his mom greatly appreciated it, and gave us a picture of Roy to remember him by.

Thank you Mike! And to all of Roy's family, please accept our love and sympathy for your loss. We miss you Roy! God Bless.

CLUB SERVICES:

License upgrades and / or new license testing
 VE Sessions are held the 2nd Saturday of every even month
 Need to sell something at the Swap Meet?
 ARRL Membership renewals or new registration
 Club Name Badge / Jackets

Club Operation
 Need something posted on the web site, or newsletter?
 Ideas for Club Speakers, Field Day Planning
 Membership, Health & Welfare
 Upcoming Club Events
 Club Activities

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POSITION:

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If you have questions about your ham equipment, please feel free to ask any of our club members for help. Or, if you'd like, please talk to any council member, and we'll do our best to help you.

"Elmering" is available to every member, please ask any officer, and we will find a knowledgeable club resource for you.

You're a member of one of the best clubs in the area, and we want your help to make it even better. If you have a suggestion or an idea for improvement, we want to hear from you. Please feel to contact any council member by phone or email.

**ANNOUNCING
THE NEXT SW DIVISION CONVENTION**



HAMCON 2011

**ARRL Southwest Division
Amateur Radio Convention
“COMMUNICATIONS
AROUND THE WORLD”
September 9, 10, & 11, 2011**

**Marriott Torrance South Bay
3635 Fashion Way, Torrance, CA 90503 1-800-228-9290
Hotel Reservation Code: HAMCON**

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AND
EXPERIENCE WHAT HAM RADIO HAS TO OFFER**

CW	W1AW/6	DX
	SPECIAL EVENT STATION	
LUNCH		VENDORS
	ANTENNAS	BANQUET
		EXHIBITORS
WOUFF HONG	EVEN SOMETHING TO DO FOR THAT NON HAM IN YOUR LIFE	
TECHNICAL TALKS		BREAKFAST
	EMCOMM	T-HUNTING
RADIO DEMOS	DOOR PRIZES	
	VE EXAMS	GREAT PROGRAMS
ELMERS	ELECTRONICS	TECHNOLOGY

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VISIT OUR WEBSITE: HAMCONINC.ORG**

Statement from Dick Norton, N6AA

During my six years as Southwestern Division Director, I have worked essentially full-time on League affairs, attending approximately 70 Southwestern Division club meetings and events in 2010 alone and spending nearly one in ten days away from home on ARRL business. At Board and committee meetings, I bring skills of a successful business owner, electrical engineer, technical corporation board member, and active Ham, as well as global perspective gained from having operated around the world and worked with Hams in many countries. I am the Board's most outspoken advocate for financial accountability, cost-effective use of League resources, and internal controls. Corporate accounting and management matters may not seem relevant, but they ultimately affect the League's ability to serve our members and Amateur Radio.

I have taken strong stands on BPL, antenna legal issues, integration of digital technology to emergency communications, and more; and I have initiated actions to back them up. I've sought opportunities to harness the vast pool of skilled potential volunteers to provide enhanced resources for our members and improve the League's effectiveness.

Not only do I have the background, tenacity, and attention to detail needed to enhance League operations, but also have a solid record of putting them to use to benefit ARRL's membership.

-) Endorsed by all past Division Directors and current Vice-Director
-) ARRL Charter Life Member, VE, past Assistant SCM, and Official Relay Station
-) Southern California DX Club past president and DXer of the Year
-) Chairman, first International DX Convention in Visalia
-) President, Southern California Contest Club
-) Member, CQ Contest Hall of Fame; contributor to contesting accuracy and ethics
-) Frequent speaker at clubs and conventions
-) Recognized for disaster communications and public service work

For more information, visit: www.n6aa.com



Dick Norton is the incumbent Director of the ARRL Southwest Division and is running for another term. The SBARC is presenting the official statements from both candidates so our club members can be informed and prepared for the upcoming election.

We hope you take the time to consider each candidate carefully, and take the time to vote! Please do so at your earliest convenience!

Statement from Carl Gardenias, WU6D

The best way to predict the future of Amateur Radio is to build it together!

I have the passion and dedication to turn opportunities into realistic goals for amateur radio and to showcase those ideas publicly. I am a proven leader and volunteer in this arena. Our Director should be someone qualified in financial budgeting, policymaking, and have a working knowledge of the ARRL's Field Organizations. I have had the pleasure and have the experience of being the Orange Section Manager since 2003 and an ARRL Life member since 1979.

Challenges facing amateur radio today include a need to; Reach-out within our own organizations; Focus on working as a team; Resolve difficulties; Share our knowledge, and Mentor our new operators. In addition, we need to reach out to the community, actively promote amateur radio as a valuable resource, and partner with other organizations to promote amateur radio as worthwhile and fun service to our communities. By doing these simple tasks, we promote amateur radio and its operators in the best light possible.

As Director, I will promote publically and actively Amateur Radio. I will work to assure better communications between members of the ARRL and the Board of Directors. I will empower Assistant Directors to utilize the skills and, knowledge, and address concerns of the membership. In addition as Director, I will assist Section Managers with their concerns, solicit their feedback, and promote their sections.

Please visit my website <http://wu6d.com> to learn more about my qualifications and accomplishments to reinforce your faith in my abilities and experience.

I encourage you to vote for the candidate who understands and represents all amateur radio operators, not just a few selected aspects of the service.

Please mark your ballot for me, Carl Gardenias WU6D, as your next Director. You have the choice.



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Franklyn Paul Passmore, III (May 14, 1952 - August 29, 2010)



Franklyn Paul Passmore III, a long time resident of the South Bay, died August 29th, 2010. Born May 14th, 1952, in Indiana, PA to Franklin and Irene Passmore; Franklyn was 58. He is survived by his wife Sherrie, son Christopher and fiancée Lisa, brother Robert and wife Kathy, sister Renee, mother-in-law Annabelle Vaughn, brother-in-law Mark and wife Lucy. His nieces and nephews, Bobby, Dawn, Callie, Brian, Chris, and Randall also survive him.

Paul and his spouse Sherrie were married on October 7th, 1979 at Alpine Village Chapel in Torrance, CA. It was an occasion that will always be remembered as a time of joy and happiness and one that will never be forgotten.

Paul graduated from California State University Long Beach in December 1994 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Radio, Television and Film.

Paul enjoyed electronics, technology, television broadcasting, photography and acting. Paul appeared as many different characters in many different video productions such as commercials, movies, and music videos. However, of all his acting roles, Paul was most commonly known as Santa Frank.

As a charter member of the Amalgamated Order of Real Bearded Santas, Paul was one of, if not the most, authentic representation of Santa Claus from a group of more than 350 real bearded Santas. While having the common traits such as natural white hair and beard, plump belly, and puffy cheeks, what set Paul apart from the rest was his bright smile and warm heart. He was one of a kind.

Paul received much joy from bringing smiles and happiness to children, parents, and adults alike; but not just during the Christmas season, but also year round. Paul had a unique Santa Frank summer ensemble consisting of sandals, sunglasses, red beach shorts, a red and white Hawaiian shirt, and of course the Santa hat. There's nothing quite like seeing Santa Claus during the summer season enjoying the sun, surf and atmosphere of Venice Beach, CA.

Paul was also a member of many organizations and volunteer groups. He was an avid amateur radio operator and was active in amateur radio clubs such as the United Radio Amateur Club, South Bay Amateur Radio Club, Torrance Amateur Radio Association and the Los Angeles County Disaster Communications Service. His enthusiasm for the amateur radio hobby and the long lasting friendships built upon this common enthusiasm brought much happiness to his life.

Paul volunteered over one thousand hours of his time to preparation, training and active duty by providing communications support during special events and also during times of distress. There was no need for compensation. His reward was giving back to the community and assisting those in need with the skills that he possessed.

Paul was a gentle and humorous man and he will be missed greatly by his family and everyone who knew him. May he rest in peace.

CALENDAR

Council Meeting - 1st Wednesday of the month
Call Joe - WB6MYD (310) 328-0817

Club Meeting - 3rd Thursday of the month
October 21, 2010 @7:30 p.m.
Torrance Memorial Medical Center
West Tower, 2nd Floor, Room "A"

Club Nets - **W6SBA WEEKLY NET**
Every Thursday @7:30pm
(except the night of club meetings)
PVUSD EMERGENCY NET
1st Tuesday of the month
09:30 Hours on the W6SBA repeater

TRW Swap Meet Saturday, **Oct. 30, 2010 @7-11am**

VE Session - **December 11, 2010, 9-11am**
West Tower, 2nd Floor, Room "A"
Contact: Joe WB6MYD
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Social Lunch - 2nd Saturday, **November 13, 2010, @12pm**
Hof's Hut
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