

APCO Awards: Do you know someone who is a star?

Don't wait to nominate YOUR shining star...nominate today!

APCO International presents awards to public safety communications personnel who have demonstrated the highest levels of personal and professional conduct and performance in the line of duty. Nominees must have been employed in the applicable category by a public safety agency at any time between April 1, 2014 and March 31, 2015. Nominees **do not** have to be members of APCO.

PSAP award categories:

- Telecommunicator of the Year
- Communications Center Director of the Year
- Line Supervisor of the Year
- Radio Frequency (RF) Technologist of the Year
- Information Technologist of the Year
- Trainer of the Year
- Team of the Year



Award recipients will enjoy VIP treatment starting with a fully paid trip to the 2015 APCO Annual Conference & Expo; including registration, travel expenses, and hotel accommodations. During the conference, the recipients will be brought on stage to receive their awards in front of their peers from around the nation. They will also be featured in a press release announcing the winners and in an article in APCO's *Public Safety Communications* magazine.

Nominations for the **Technology Leadership Award** are also being accepted. This award is designed to recognize an emergency communications center's use of technological advancements and demonstrated benefits received to their employees and the citizens they serve. Nominations should detail modifications to policies and procedures necessary to make operations more efficient. Nominations should also show how the project benefits center employees and the public served. Examples of projects include but are not limited to Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), radio, 9-1-1, public safety IT, broadband, electronic crime reporting, mapping, GPS to name a few.

The Award Recipients for the Technology Leadership Award shall receive a complimentary "day-pass" registration to APCO 2015 for the day of the award ceremony. A representative from the winning PSAP(s) will be recognized at the annual conference, in *Public Safety Communications* and on the Web site.

Visit <http://apcointl.org/apco-membership/awards/psap-awards.html> for more information. Nominations are being accepted in the online format until **April 1, 2015**.

APCO Scholarships

The APCO Scholarship Application Timeframe is January 1 – March 31

Scholarship programs available are the **SILENT KEY SCHOLARSHIP** which was initiated as a means of remembering and honoring individuals who have participated in APCO, contributed to APCO, and meant a great deal to APCO members. By remembering these individuals who mean so much to us, they continue to contribute to our organization even beyond the years we were privileged to have them in our midst.

The **COMMERCIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL (CAC) SCHOLARSHIP FUND** was initiated by the Commercial/Corporate Advisory Council as a means for its commercial members to give back to the public safety community. Scholarship funds may be used for the APCO Institute or the APCO Virtual College. The funds may apply to books, tuition, and/or registration costs for approved classes and programs. Up to \$500 of the award may be applied to travel or living expenses to attend an APCO International educational event. Applicants must bear responsibility for payment of all costs, and will be reimbursed only upon satisfactory completion of the course or class.

Applicants should meet the following standards:

- Currently employed in the Public-Safety Communications field.
- Have accumulated at least one year of experience within public-safety with at least eight months of continuous service.
- Current APCO Members and maintain APCO membership throughout the scholarship period.
- Demonstrate a commitment to high career standards with long term goals in public-safety communications.
- Demonstrate commitment to continuing education and self-improvement.
- Submit a completed application within the prescribed time frame.

For more information visit the website below and select “Scholarships”

<http://www.apco911.org/training-and-certification>

Membership Information

Member Type	3/1/2014	3/1/2015
Associate	2882	2579
Commercial	833	747
Full Member	5784	5303
Group Online	6869	7593
Total Number of Members	18940	19562
Total Number of Group Agencies	443	556
Commercial Group		10

Membership FAQ



QUESTION: How do I change my APCO account password?

ANSWER: Go to www.apcointl.org and sign in using the “Log In” button at the top right. Once you are signed in to your account, click “My Information” button on the right. Click “Change Password” and enter the new password you wish to use. This will change your online APCO account password as well as PSCoconnect.

Note: If you forgot your password, click the “Forgot Password” link and follow the instructions to reset your account.

81st Annual APCO International Conference & Expo

Save the Date!
August 16 - 19, 2015
Washington, DC
www.apco2015.org



Missouri Public Safety Communications Conference



MEET ME IN ST LOUIS!

at the
Missouri Public Safety Communications Conference
Hosted by Missouri APCO & NENA

March 29 – April 1, 2015

St Louis Union Station a Doubletree by Hilton Hotel

Schedule – KeyNote – Sponsors – Preconference Training
at
www.mpscc911.org

Mid-Eastern APCO Chapter Spring Training Conference

April 9 and 10, 2015
Kent Island VFD
1610 Main Street
Chester, Maryland
www.mideasternapco.com



2015 APCO Western Regional Conference

April 8 - 10, 2015
Sacramento, California

The Sacramento Convention Center will be Conference Central, with plenty of room for over 100 vendors, training sessions, keynotes, and outside there will be the largest collection of Command Vehicles in the state.



Visit us on the web for the most up-to-date news: <http://www.apcowrc.org/2015/news/>

NENA / APCO Ohio State Conference



SAVE THE DATE!

April 12 - 15, 2015

Kalahari Resort, Sandusky OH

CALL FOR PAPERS OPEN!

Visit our website:

http://ohioapco.org/?page_id=1748

2015 Indiana APCO / NENA Conference

April 13 - 17, 2015
Indianapolis Marriott East
7202 E 21st St
Indianapolis, IN 46219



Registration: <http://innena.org/register.php>

2015 Pennsylvania APCO Conference

Save the Date!
April 19 - 22, 2015
Best Western Premier Eden Resort
Lancaster, PA



Presentation Proposals Open!

Visit our website for more information: <http://www.paapco.org/index.php/conferences>

2015 Texas APCO / NENA Public-Safety Conference

April 19 - 22, 2015
Galveston Island Convention Center
Galveston, Texas

The 2015 TX APCO / TX NENA Public Safety Conference will be held in Galveston, Texas on April 19 - 22, 2015. This will be our second year in Galveston, and things in Texas continue to get bigger and better! We will have amazing speakers, a full Industry Partner Hall, and excellent networking opportunities. More information regarding the conference can be found at www.texas911conference.com



2015 Florida APCO / NENA Training Conference

May 3 - 7, 2015
Daytona Beach Hilton
100 North Atlantic Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Call for Papers Now Open!



More Information: www.apco-florida.org

APCO Institute Schedule

Visit the APCO Institute Site for the most up-to-date course information!

<http://apcointl.com/training-and-certification.html>

Course Name	Dates / Time	Location	Contact:
Active Shooter #38562	April 6, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	Tompkins County Department of Emergency Response 92 Brown Rd. Ithaca, NY 14850	Christina Dravis Cdravis@tomkins-co.org (607) 257-3888
Active Shooter #39824	April 7, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	Tompkins County Department of Emergency Response 92 Brown Rd. Ithaca, NY 14850	Christina Dravis Cdravis@tomkins-co.org (607) 257-3888
Active Shooter #39964	April 13, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	Wheeling Police Department 1 Community Blvd. Wheeling, IL 60090	Jeff Wieder jwieder@wheelingil.gov (847) 520-2020
Active Shooter #39955	April 20, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	City of Crystal Lake City Hall 100 W. Woodstock St. Crystal Lake, IL 60014	Donald J. Burr, Deputy Director dburr@seecom911.org (815) 356-2685
Active Shooter #39999	April 24, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	Frederick C. Conley Training Center 20 East Central Street Natick, MA 01760	Charles Goodwin goodwin@natickpolice.com (508) 667-7632
Communications Center Supervisor #40188	April 6 - 8, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	Central Shenandoah Criminal Justice Training Academy 3045 Lee Highway Weyers Cave, VA 24486	Heather Gearheart hgearheart@centralshenandoahac ademy.com (540) 234-9191
Communications Center Supervisor #39966	April 22 - 24, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	Wheeling Police Department 1 Community Blvd. Wheeling, IL 60090	Jeff Wieder jwieder@wheelingil.gov (847) 520-2020
Communications Center Supervisor #40034	April 28 - 30, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	Mentor Fire Headquarters, Station 5 8467 Civic Center Blvd. Mentor, OH 44060	Nina Lombardo-Mylott Lombardo@cityofmentor.com (440) 974-5760
Comprehensive Quality #40026	April 6 - 7, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	Sacramento Convention Center 1400 J Street Sacramento, CA 95814	Desi Calzada Desi.calzada@csueastbay.edu (510) 885-7524
Communications Training Officer #39954	April 15 - 17, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	City of Crystal Lake City Hall 100 W. Woodstock St. Crystal Lake, IL 60014	Donald J. Burr, Deputy Director dburr@seecom911.org (815) 356-2685
Communications Training Officer #39943	April 20 - 22, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	APCO Institute 351 N. Williamson Blvd. Daytona Beach, FL 32114	Shannon Tucker Tuckers@apcointl.org (386) 944-2485
Fire Service Communications #40026	April 6 - 8, 2015 8 am - 5 pm	Sacramento Convention Center 1400 J Street Sacramento, CA 95814	Desi Calzada Desi.calzada@csueastbay.edu (510) 885-7524

From the Member and Chapter Services Committee

Dear APCO Officers and Members,

The Member and Chapter Services Committee (MCSC) supports the membership at the chapter level by building relationships with chapter leaders. Each MCSC member is assigned to represent Chapters and throughout the year they maintain information flow with the chapter leaders. We are here to keep APCO members informed of association policies, governance guidelines, and other APCO programs. Just as important, we push issues from the local level to the APCO leadership level. We work for the people and strive to make sure you receive all that you can from your APCO membership.

MCSC members work diligently to get program questions or information out to the local chapters, gather the needed feedback, and get answers back to the APCO organization. We share information about programs, training, and initiatives supported by APCO International as well as upcoming events through the monthly MCSC e-Newsletter.

MCSC works to build relationships among chapter leaders through training classes and webinars hosted during the year. We also assist the APCO organization staff to provide chapter leader training and workshops at the annual conference. But, we need your help to make these things happen. You can assist us by:

- Keeping your Chapter officer list up-to-date with APCO headquarters.
- Submitting information about upcoming events or programs in your Chapter for the e-Newsletter.
- Keeping the contact information of your MCSC representative handy so if you have questions or need anything you can call on us to help.
- Participating in chapter officer calls, webinars, and training so that you are up-to-date with the current information.
- Letting your MCSC representative know who to contact in order to get information about your chapter if the President of your Chapter is not the primary contact person..
- Looking for the monthly e-Newsletter and providing us with feedback through your chapter.

We are very fortunate to have members on the MCSC who support APCO and are willing to volunteer their time to make sure that APCO can meet its vision to strengthen our communities by empowering and educating public safety communications professionals. As a committee, we look forward to continuing to work with you!

Sincerely,

Member and Chapter Services Committee