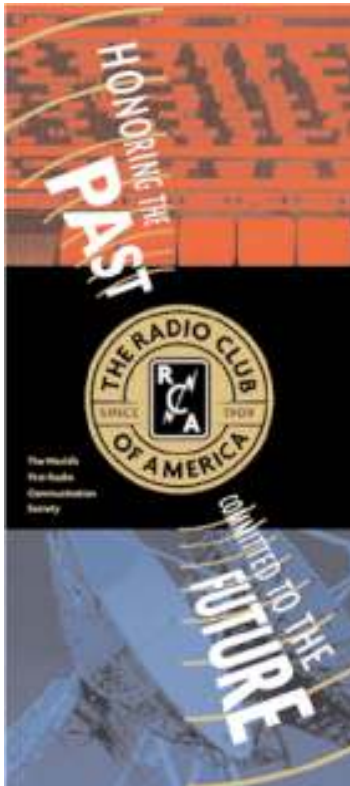




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### **A Charge to Keep, a Scholarship Report**

*"I wanted to greatly express my appreciation for your financial support. I am very delighted to hear I won the Radio Club scholarship. This scholarship is a great honor and also financial support for me. Thank you." Haleh, UCLA*

*"Your contribution to my educational expenses is greatly appreciated. Because of you, I was able to complete my final year without having to stress about finding extra money to complete payment on my tuition." Sabrina, Capitol College*

Thank you to everyone who has made a scholarship contribution to the Radio Club – you have helped to make an advanced education in technology possible for students like Haleh and Sabrina, and so many more!

This past year, the Radio Club Board approved grants to University of Texas at Austin, the University of California at LA, Montclair State, Fairleigh Dickinson, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Capitol College, Polytechnic University, University of Cincinnati, Stevens Institute of Technology, and three grants for students through the Foundation for Amateur Radio. The grants ranged from \$500 to \$3,000 for a total of \$19,000, approximately 99 percent of the funds available for last year. Most of these colleges have Radio Club members who live in the same area as the college and who can represent the Radio Club at scholarship activities.

*Dan at South Dakota State University: "It is a relief to find so much support and encouragement...Your scholarship award will have substantial impact on my college education."*

How do we help students like Dan? As you know, the Radio Club of America is a Section 501 (c) (3) corporation, so all donations to the club are tax deductible. The Radio Club Scholarship Committee was established to solicit donations for the purpose of making grants to colleges, which they make available to individual students who are pursuing telecommunications studies. The Scholarship Fund is a restricted fund, and the interest/dividends from the Fund are used solely for student aid.

We have funds named for luminaries of the wireless business, well-known names like Biggs, Buller, Finch, Goldwater, Grebe, Gunther, Link, Meyer, Meyerson, Poppele and Somers. When the grants are made to the various colleges, it specifies which fund made that grant possible. Donations can be directed specifically to these funds, such as the \$5,000 donation made by EWA in 2007 in recognition of Martin Cooper and designated for the Link Fund.

*Erica at Montclair State: "I was honored to be selected as this year's recipient of the Radio Club scholarship...thank you for sponsoring this award at MSU."*

*Steven at U of Akron "Thank you very much...The money is greatly appreciated and will help a lot! God Bless."*

This year, we plan to increase our Scholarship Fund substantially so we can give even more to these deserving students. And we will do that with your help. When you pay your dues, add \$50, \$100, \$500 or more to your check and designate that amount to the Fund of your choice or direct it to the General Scholarship Fund. That will make a huge difference to a young person, facing the higher costs of tuition and other expenses in college today.

For a donation of \$10,000 or more, we will establish a Fund in the name you choose, generally a Fund like that will enable us to donate at least \$1,000 a year to a deserving student. Isn't it time to ensure your legacy or that of your company or another individual you know who has contributed so much to Radio Club and our industry?

Let's keep America in the forefront in technology education and encourage more young people to pursue a career in wireless!

- by John Dettra, Director & Chairman, Scholarship Committee

### Planned Giving – A Legacy of Support for the Second One Hundred Years of the Radio Club of America

At almost 100 years in existence, it's obvious that the Radio Club of America is going to be around for a long time to come. We've already started to plan for the second 100 years of RCA and, to do that, we need you. Annual memberships and gifts to scholarships are very important to us, and we deeply appreciate them. Legacy gifts, though, are what we need to sustain our viability moving forward. There are many choices in front of you for your assets, and we hope that the Radio Club of America is one of those choices.

Your legacy gift doesn't have to be large. Just know that with your gift, no matter the size, you preserve the future of wireless communications and the industry we all care for very deeply. Your legacy gift allows us to truly fulfill our mission – Honoring the Past, Committed to the Future. Your thoughtful legacy gift can take the form of an IRA distribution; securities; or you can recognize the Radio Club of America in your will, trust, retirement plan, and life insurance policy or make another type of estate gift. When you give your legacy gift, you will be recognized as a Legacy Donor by your friends and peers in the Radio Club of America.

We recommend that you meet with your estate attorney or financial advisor to determine what is right for you and your family. For more information on how your Legacy Gift can truly impact the second 100 years of the Radio Club, please contact Karen Clark, Executive Secretary, to discuss your estate gift.

- Elaine Baugh Walsh, Director, Finance Committee Chairman

### Another Great Dinner in Texas

The 2nd Annual Texas Event was fantastic. There were more than 40 attendees, which was an increase in attendance from last year's event. Craig Jorgensen was the keynote speaker and gave an incredible speech. He discussed why it is important that the Radio Club move forward and be committed to the future while honoring the past, and that we all need to keep this in mind. Craig also talked about how important it is to have all job categories in our industry as members and not just engineers.

A special "thank you" to all the sponsors for this event: DH Marketing, E COMM International, Directions, Intrado, Hutton Communications, Midland Radio, Mission Critical Communications, Tait Mobile Radios, LRT Communications, and Walker & Associates.

The Texas APCO board provided the Radio Club with a booth in the exhibit area at no cost. The booth had a lot of traffic from attendees asking about the Radio Club, and several picked up an application form. Many RCA members – including Carroll Hollingsworth, Elaine Baugh Walsh and Don Mc Farland – that helped in the booth.

Rich Biby, RCA *Fellow*, presented 2-Way Radio 101 during the APCO Conference, and he did a great job. What is basic to most of us is far from basic to Rich. This is just the beginning of us providing a technical session with the Texas Event next year. The goal of the Radio Club is to continue this event; we hope to increase the attendance year after year.

Again, we appreciate each member who helped and supported this fantastic event.

- Carroll Hollingsworth, Texas Event Chairman

### Dayton Hamvention

The next Radio Club of America event is the Dayton Hamvention, May 15-18 at the Hara Arena in Trotwood, Ohio. Stop by the Radio Club booth 224c and see Stan Reubenstein, executive vice president; Ron Jakubowski, director; and many other RCA members.



#### Faces In The News

Jeff Silva (*left*), Washington editor for *RCA*; Morgan O'Brien (F), chairman, Cyren Call (*center*); and Harlin McEwen (F), chairman, Public Safety Spectrum Trust (*right*) share a moment after participating on a recent WCA International 2008 panel in Washington, D.C., addressing the future of 700 MHz spectrum following last January's FCC auction

Do you know someone who isn't yet a member of the RCA? Click [here](#) for more information.. Do you know someone who wants to sponsor an event at a trade show? Contact us!

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