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Centennial Celebration Update

Registration for the Radio Club of America's 100th Anniversary Gala celebration now is open, and the [registration form](#) can be found at www.radioclubofamerica.org. The Gala is a once-in-our-lifetime opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of the Club and its loyal members. Why not invite a few colleagues and help us make this event one of the best in the Club's history?

The Gala kicks off with a cocktail reception Nov. 20 at the Georgetown Conference Center and Hotel, and the exhibit room opens Nov. 21, with the Push-to-Talk Association just one of the many organizations that will be represented. The day progresses with technical and special-interest panel discussions; confirmed speakers to date include Mark Crosby, Mike Fitch, Harlin McEwen, Dale Hatfield, Stu Overby, Stan Reubenstein, Michael Altschul and Richard Mirgon. We'll have more panel details to share as time progresses.

In conjunction with the 100th Anniversary Celebration, we will be operating an Amateur Radio Special Event Station, W2RCA, from a table in the Exhibit Room in the conference center. We actually will be running two or more stations remotely via an internet connection, and those members attending who have an amateur operator's license are welcome to participate and help keep the station active from Friday afternoon through Sunday afternoon. We also may be able to make arrangements for those who cannot travel to Washington, D.C., to participate from

their home stations. If you wish to help out or if you have questions, please contact Ron Jakubowski at k2rj@roadrunner.com.

In addition, we'll have a silent auction, with the proceeds going toward Radio Club scholarships, so look for a chance to bid on some exciting items. If you have something to donate, please contact Sandra Black at sblack@emrconsults.com.

And why not make a vacation out of your trip to Georgetown and the nation's Capital. The Club is organizing a tour to the International Spy Museum (reservation details coming later), and various other events are offered in Washington, D.C., during November, including "101 Wonders of the Woodrow Wilson House: Hidden Treasures from the Presidential Collection;" "Jersey Boys" at the National Theatre; a two-hour exterior tour of the U.S. Capitol building; "Mount Vernon by Candlelight: George Washington's Estate & Gardens;" and all of the various Smithsonian Institution museums. Check out the area's Calendar of Events at <http://washington.org/visiting/events-calendar>

We've reserved a block of rooms at the Georgetown University Hotel and Conference Center so that you can be close to all Gala events. We encourage you to make your reservations soon, as space is filling up, by calling 888/324-2111; the rate is just \$189 per night. Stay tuned to this e-letter for more information on the keynote speaker, Exhibit Room and Technical Symposium updates and more. We look forward to seeing you soon in Washington, D.C.

RCA at APCO

The APCO Conference & Expo is just around the corner: Aug. 16-19 in warm and sunny Las Vegas. RCA will exhibit in Booth 436, so come by and say "hi." Please contact Karen Clark at Karen@radioclubofamerica.org to volunteer for some booth duty.

The RCA breakfast at APCO is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 19, at the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel, Ballroom C, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. The keynote speaker is David Weisz from Motorola. Please click on the [Registration Form](#) today; mail, fax or e-mail it in right away, because we haven't got much time. Credit cards will be accepted. Hope to see you there.

Donate Your Old Equipment



The Education Committee officially is ready to receive donated radio equipment into its established system. Donated equipment will be sent to a facility owned by a member of the Committee who then will inspect and repair the donation; if needed. Schools or youth groups that have been carefully screened and that are in need of ham or other electronic equipment will then have the donated material sent to them.

For more information about donations and where to send them, or if you know of a worthy school or organization in need of equipment, please contact Carole Perry at WB2MGP@ix.netcom.com or at 718/668-9347.

Please let me know if you have any news, comments or questions for the next issue.

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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