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# PAARAgraphs

The Official Newsletter of the

## Palo Alto Amateur Radio Association, Inc.

Celebrating 72 years as an active amateur radio club—Since 1937



**November 6**, **PAARA Meeting**, 7:00 p.m. Menlo Park Recreation Center

700 Alma Street, Menlo Park

Novmber 19, Board Meeting, 7:10 p.m.

Palo Alto Red Cross
400 Mitchell Lane

**December 4**, **PAARA Meeting & Elections**, 7:00 p.m. *DREAM TO REALITY RAFFLE!* 

Menlo Park Council Chambers



PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR NEXT GENERAL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 6, 2009
OUR SPEAKER WILL BE...

**N6CCH - Larry Rebarchik** 

## **Digital HF Modes**

Larry will cover many aspects of digital HF operations, including but not limited to

What if parts are required?

What does it mean to operate digital?

How do I get started?

How do I run digital in a contest.

Larry brings with him his experience running in several RTTY contests and will show how easy it is to get started in digital modes with common parts and a computer with a sound card.

## President's Corner Reflector Joel Wilhite – KD6W

## November 2009

As this year comes to end, the usual annual contests and special events litter the calendar along with other fun and exciting club activities. Elections both external and internal to the club will occur shortly, and so it's time to think of who you would like to steer the ship as they

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would say in the Navy. Our annual December Dream to Reality raffle is coming up, and the Winter Banquet is right around the corner too. Have you started Christmas shopping yet for a new ham rig? Or are you perhaps saving all your shekels to buy a huge strip of raffle tickets to better the odds of winning the grand prize (another Elecraft K3!)?

This last month flew by way too fast—it seems like PAARAfest was just last weekend. What happened is simple: I have been entirely too busy. I just returned from a trip to visit my Mother in

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# Save Your Shekels!

The

Dream to Reality

Raffle

is December 4th.

### VE Exams, 3rd Saturday each month, 10:30AM, 145.23- PL=100Hz

Redwood City Main Library, Community Conference Room 1044 Middlefield Road, Redwood City, CA contact: http://amateur-radio.org/or Al, WB6IMX@att.net

## ELECTRONICS FLEA MARKET

Sponsorship by A.S.V.A.R.O. (Association of Silicon Valley Amateur Radio Organizations)

Second Saturday of month, March-October, 6am–2pm Howard M. Krawetz, N6HM 650-856-9761

Contact: http://www.electronicsfleamarket.com

LIVERMORE SWAP MEET. Now in Robertson Park, Livermore, every first Sunday of the month. 7 am to 11:30 am. Free admission for buyers. For further info, see:

www.larkswap.com or contact Ian Parker, W6TCP at swapmeet@livermoreark.org

#### PAARA Palo Alto Amateur Radio Association

Meets 1st Friday 7:00pm each month at Menlo Park Rec. Center, Net 145.230 each Monday 8:30, See our website at http://www.paara.org/ for more information Or contact: Joel Wilhite KD6W, KD6W@ARRL.NET, 650-325-8239

#### FARS Foothills Amateur Radio Society

Meets 4th Friday each month at 7:30pm contact: http://www.fars.k6ya.org/

### NCDXC Northern California DX Club

meets 2nd Friday 7:30pm each month

repeater for member info 147.360, Thursday 8:00PM

contact: http://ncdxc.org/ or Mike Gavin W6WZ, (650) 851 8699

## **OCWA** Chapter 11

#### Northern California Quarter Century Wireless Association

Meets third Wednesday monthly at Harry's Hofbrau in Redwood City @ 11:30 AM. Guests are welcome. Saturday morning net on 146.850 MHz, PL 114.8

## NorCalQRP Northern California QRP Club

meets 1st Sunday each month

contact: http://www.norcalqrp.org/

#### SPECS Southern Peninsula Emergency Communication System

meets each Monday 8:00pm on Net 145.27, 440.80 MHz contact: http://specsnet.org/ or Tom Cascone, KF6LWZ, 650-688-0441

## **SCARES** South County Amateur Radio Emergency Service

meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 7:30pm each month, San Carlos City Hall. Net is on 146.445 [PL 114.8] & 444.50 (PL-100) 7:30 Monday evenings.

contact: President Gary D. Aden, K6GDA 650-743-1265(D),650-595-5590 (N)

Web: http://k6mpn.org E-mail: pres@k6mpn.org

## SCCARA Santa Clara County Amateur Radio Association

Operates W6UU & W6UU/R, repeater 146.985-pl

Nets: 2m, 7:30pm Mon; 70cm, 442.425+ (pl 107.2) Thur. meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Mon each month @ 7:30 PM.

contact: http://www.qsl.ndv/scara/ or Clark Murphy KE6KXO 408-262-9334 ARRL/VEC license testing contact 408-507-4698

#### **SVECS** Silicon Valley Emergency Communications

Operates AA6BT repeater (146.115 MHz+)

contact: http://www.svecs.net/ or Lou Stierer WA6QYS 408 241 7999

## TEARS The Elmer Amateur Radio Society

Dedicated to operational training, knowledge building & FCC exam testing. KV6R repeater under construction.

Contact AA6T@ARRL.NET . Most members are Extra

class or VE's. See ORZ dot com/kv6r for class info

#### WVARA West Valley Amateur Radio Association

W6PIY six-meter repeater on 52.58mHz. Normally, six-meters is linked with 147 and 223, while 441

and 1286 repeaters are linked

UHF: 52.58 (-500) 151.4 ctcss 147.39 (+600) 151.4 ctcss

223.96 (+1.6) 156.7 ctcss

441.35 (+5.0 88.5) ctcss 1286.20 (-12m) 100.0 ctcss

Meetings are 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month. contact: <a href="http://wvara.org/">http://wvara.org/</a>, Bill Ashby N6FFC, 408-267-3118, N6FFC@Juno.com, or

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#### American Red Cross, SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER

contact: <a href="http://santaclaravalley.redcross.org/">http://santaclaravalley.redcross.org/</a> or Scott Hensley KB6UOO, (408) 967 7924 fshensley@Novell.com

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Please contact Rick Melrose to settle your 2009 membership dues so you can keep receiving your **PAARAgraphs** 

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## Celebrating 72 years as an active ham radio club—Since 1937

Oregon to help her sort through the stacks of boxes she brought back from the home she and my father shared in Washington. After my father passed away, there was too much stuff that had to be dealt with; we all know the drill. They saved all kinds of things and didn't have the heart to throw any of it away. They saved match books from all over and pencils I chewed on when I was a kid. I recognized the teeth marks. They of course saved a ton of pictures and postcards, many I have totally forgotten about, others I didn't know anything about. I did come home with a small collection of things that Mom didn't see any need for. Great. Now I have it, as in TAG, you're it!

As far as the club goes, we have a slate of officers and board of directors to choose from and or get signed up. If you or someone you know is interested in holding a position in PAARA and is a current member, the next general meeting is your chance to stand up and put your bid to run as we will close the nominations at the end of the meeting. I have decided to stay on and so are the majority of the other staff. We do have a pretty significant turn over in the board members and have a few to consider all ready. We'll announce those at the meeting and ask for any others.

The November meeting will be our first chance to have our "Stump the Elmer" segment to quiz the group of elmers we have in attendance at the meeting so if you think you have a good ham related question for us, then bring it and let's hear it. We'll also have our regular raffle, so don't forget to bring a few extra dollars for the chance to win one or more of Jim's wonderful prizes. The December meeting will be our annual "Show and Tell" meeting in the Council Chambers to show off our latest gizmos and inventions. We'll have an assortment of prizes for a first, second and third place entries for most original, most inventive/clever, and most pretty or well crafted. Here is your chance to show off your soldering skills and or the latest gadget that every ham should have. Wayne Burdick from Elecraft will be returning as well to be one of our judges and also give us a short overview of what new things are coming out of the Elecraft labs.

We are working on the Winter Banquet in conjunction with FARS again this year and the plans are starting to look similar to last year's venue. We'll have more details to follow as they get firmed up. We are on the hunt for the perfect speaker for this evening and also filling up the calendar for next year too! If you a have a topic of interest that you would like to hear or know of someone in the mood to deliver, we would sure appreciate it

73 de KD6W Joel

## **November 2009 Board Meeting Minutes**

The Board Meeting for November 2009 was held at Joel Wilhite's home commencing at 7:30 PM on the 29th of October 2009. Attending were Joel Wilhite KD6W (Pres), Doug Teter KG6LWE (Vice Pres) Rick Melrose K6RDM (Sec, Database), Ron Chester W6AZ (Treas), Gerry Tucker N6NV (Dir), Rob Riley KI6INR (Dir), Byron Beck KG6UOB (Dir), Ed Gentry KG6KKP (Badges), and Larry Rebarchik N6CCH (Director nominee). A quorum was present.

Secretary's Report: Rick K6RDM presented the minutes of the September Board meeting held the 23rd of September 2009, which were approved as read.

President's Report: Joel KD6W and Doug KG6LWE introduced a discussion about scheduling meetings and presentations for upcoming meetings as well as arrangements regarding the Winter Banquet on the calendar for January 22nd. The January meeting will be moved to the 8th to avoid the holiday.

Elections are coming up for the Board of Directors at the December meeting. Nominees to date will be announced at the November 6th General Meeting and nominations will be closed up for additional candidates at the conclusion.

Vice President's Report: Doug KG6LWE reported that while the tower trailer still needs a permanent storage site, the current storage continues to be OK for the present as long as the landlord doesn't object. A project needs to be set up to get the trailer painted and the brakes reworked.

Treasurer's Report: Ron W6AZ reported that the sales revenue of donated equipment has been our most reliable source of income for the club. The board discussed the possibility of the club selling some sort of kit (e.g. an antenna project, a solar panel kit, or some such) and decided to sound out some of the membership to see what might be wanted.

#### Other Business:

The board decided that we would have a Swap Table at club meetings during the Flea Market hiatus months (November through March) in which members could bring an item to swap, sell or auction or to be donated to the club for auction or sale – procedures to be announced at the general meeting and in PAARAgraphs.

Larry (Rebar) N6CCH will be taking on the post of club contest chairperson for PAARA and post updates to the newsletter. The Board discussed contest participation as a club as well as the possibility of the club sponsoring a contest. Larry is still working on plans to set up and operate in Napa County for the next CQP, and likely from Mt. St. Helena. Other locations will be scouted. Plans are still in the works to set up an antenna and repeater work party to refurbish our mono band antennas and KT-34.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Awarded by Action of the PAARA Board

Wally Porter K6URO Dec 2008

Steve Stuntz, K6FS Dec 2007

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## $\infty$ OF RAFFLES AND OTHER THINGS $\infty$

ONCE UPON A TIME, there was a charming but longly fellow named Dan. Dan was longly because his XYL had recently discovered the flobby of flam and spent much of her time with strange, new acquaintances who called themselves FARS and SBARA and PAARA. "Come join me in my adventures," said she. "I'm too busy with Other Things," said he.

So his XYL continued merrily in her adventures, and Dan continued to be busy doing Other Things. In time, however, he came to realize that, if he were to get a Ticket of his very own, he too could enjoy fun adventures and even, perhaps, converse with his XYL from great distances. So he ventured into the realm of online practice tests at EtlamDot-Net, where he happily discovered he had already learned many things about the Hobby of Ham by listening to his XYL and her new friends. "This is kind of interesting," said he. "Told ya," said she.

Meanwhile, he learned of a marvelous thing called The PAARARAFFLE. Each time his XYL ventured off into PAARAland, he always queried, "When are you going to win me a radio?" To which she always quipped, "When are you going to get your Ticket?"

One fine evening he ventured with her into the land of PAARA to meet for himself its fine citizens and experience the wondrous PAARARAFFLE. Excitement mounted as the prizes were announced. Finally, it was time for the Grand Prize: an ICOM IC-V82 2M Handheld Transegiver with 207 memory channels (including 6 sean edges and 1 call), double conversion superheterodyne, and spurious emissions of less than -60dBe. Drums rolled; trumpets sounded. He turned to his XYL and said, "So, are you going to win me a radio?" She handed him her strip of tickets and replied, "Win your own radio."

So he did.

EPILOGUE: Dan is still charming but no longer longly; he passed his Element 2 exam the very next morning and has been enjoying his new IC-V82 ever since. He is still busy with Other Things, but he looks forward to learning more about Amateur Radio, particular digital applications, as time permits. If you hear KJ6CPX on the air, be sure to say hello and 73!



## Congratulations to ALL the winners of the October 2nd PAARA Raffle!



1st Prize: Dan Yee / KJ6CPX / Icom IC-V82 / 2m / 7W / HT

"Congratulations on your license and 1st radio!"

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Carl Costa / W6KGO / Solarlink FR500 Emergency

Radio / AM / FM / Shortwave

3rd Prize: John Larribeau / KR6MR / Two Cobra 22 Channel Ra-

dios w/Batteries and Charger

4th Prize: William Parsons / AF6AE / Deltran Battery Tender Jun-

ior Charger / 12 Volt / 750 mA

5th Prize: Joel Wilhite / KD6W / ARRL Repeater Directory / 2009-

2010

6th Prize: Vic Black / AB6SO / Sterling Deluxe Wire Stripper

7th Prize: Jaime Sedano / Al6ER / Nine LED Flashlight w/

Batteries

8th Prize: Frank Weiss / K6FCW / Yaesu Log Book

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT of PAARA's exciting monthly raffles!

PAARA had a remarkable year in 2008! If you aren't a member, please join PAARA now and experience fun 2009 events with the "friendliest club around."

K6AK Jim

## **PAARA Exemplary Service Award**

Gerry Tucker, N6NV 2005 Rice Family 2006 Jim K6AK, Lisa KG6KQS, Kyle KG6MSK Wally Porter, K6URO 2007 Vic Black, AB6SO 2008 ??? - 2009



## PAARA "The Friendliest Club Around"

## Palo Alto Amateur Radio Association Presents...

Friday, September 4th at 7 p.m. Menlo Park Rec. Center, 700 Alma St., Menlo Park, CA.

## **November Raffle Prizes**



## FIRST PRIZE: Icom IC-V82 / 2m / 7W / HT

**Includes 600mAh Ni-Cd Battery Pack with Desktop Charger** 

- 200 Memory Channels and Ten Memory Banks
- NOAA Weather Channel Receive
- Automatic Repeater Function
- Durable Construction and Simple Operation
- Optional Digital Unit UT-118 / Provides D-STAR Digital Voice and Data
- PC Cloning Capability

## **SECOND PRIZE:** Solarlink FR500

Self & Solar Powered Radio /AM / FM / Shortwave Flashlight, Siren, and Cell Phone Charger

- Solar Power Built Into Handle
- Hand Crank Charges Internal Ni-MH Battery & Cell Phone Batteries
- NOAA Weather / All 7 Channels plus "Alert"
- Built-in 4 White LEDs / One Red LED Lights with Magnifying Lens
- Digital Clock Function / 12 Hour Clock with Alarm / Snooze / Sleep Timer
- Connectors / Headphones / DC-in /USB Phone Charger / USB iPod Charger
- USB Cell Phone Charging Cord Included



**American Red Cross** 

**THIRD PRIZE:** Two Midland 22 Channel Two-Way Radios **FOURTH PRIZE:** ARRL 2009 Handbook with CD-ROM

FIFTH PRIZE: CQ Amateur Radio Calendar / 15 Month / 2010-2011

**SIXTH PRIZE**: ARRL Repeater Directory / 2009-2010 **SEVENTH PRIZE**: Sterling Deluxe Wire Stripper **EIGHTH PRIZE**: Nine-LED Flashlight w/Batteries

Since February 2003, *157 Radios*, including TWO Elecraft K3's, a Yaesu FT-847, an Icom 706 MK IIG, a Yaesu FT-897D, and TWO Elecraft KX1's have gone to Fellow Hams.

A special thanks to Bob, Howard, Dan, Mark, and everyone at HRO for their continued support!

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## ROCKBOUND on the ROCK

By Steve Stuntz, K6FS

#### Part I

Corregidor Island, "the Rock," sits at the entrance to Manila Bay. It's shaped like a tadpole, head looking west to the South China Sea, tail trailing eastward into the Bay. It lies west and south of Manila about 26 miles—2 ½ to 3 hours by harbor-boat. In 1936 it was the main coastal defense for the port, supporting four other heavily fortified islands strung across the Bay's entrance. Overall it measures about seven miles tailtip to nose, two and a half miles wide at greatest breadth. It is situated across the North Channel, two miles south of Mariveles village on Bataan Peninsula, and seven miles north of Cavite Province shoreline.

In late October 1936, over 3000 people, military and civilian, lived and worked on Corregidor. Besides the village, *barrio* San Jose, between North and South Docks at shore-level, there were three military garrisons: Kindley Field, with a minuscule landing-strip, on the tail to the east; Middleside halfway up; and Topside, almost 700 feet above the shoreline. Units of Coast Artillery, Signal Corps, and Quartermaster Corps occupied the 1000-foot long, three-storey barracks near the crest, along with post exchange, tailor, shoe, and barber shops, library, and snack bar. The building itself was reinforced concrete, open-sided, weather-protected by moveable panels of native shell mounted in wood frames. It overlooked a grassy parade-ground and playing-field area.

At that time amateur radio was licensed by the Philippine Bureau of Posts. Since the Philippines were a U. S. possession, call signs carried the U.S. prefix *KA*. Separate operator and station licenses, with their own certificates, were issued, ran concurrently, and had to be renewed annually on proof of activity—notarized extracts from the year's log. Examinations were waived for qualified military applicants.

The rig at KA1US was an all vacuum-tube Hammarlund Comet Pro receiver, band-changed by plugin coils. Transmitter (CW only): 47 crystal-controlled (hence "rockbound") oscillator, 46 buffer-doubler, 210 pre-driver, 211 driver, 204A amplifier, about 400 watts d.c. input. Everything was neatly arranged on open breadboards, link-coupled stage-to-stage, totally unshielded. Band-change by plug-in coil and tap-change on copper-tube inductor. Antenna: center-fed zepp 40 feet up, strung between two telephone poles. Bands: 40 and 20 meters. Principal activity: international ragchewing, chasing pre-DXCC DX, and handling personal messages for military and civilian families with continental-U.S. connections. (surface mail took over a month door-to-door, airmail was unreliable and much too expensive.)

QSLs and SWLs trickled in, receiving due response via self-designed card. No QSL Bureau help was available; everything went via minimum-cost direct mail. A few Europeans, some

U.S., lots of British military in South Africa, many from U.S. and around the Pacific - especially Australia-New Zealand.. Wireless Institute of Australia required aspiring hams first to register as licensed (and fee-paying) SWLs, then, after a probationary year of collecting QSLs from duly-licensed hams overheard, as proof of serious intent, sit for exams. Since KA1US seemed audible Down Under just about any time, it became a popular, obliging source, to the limit a soldier's pay allowed. Both 20 and 40 meter CW were common during odd off-duty hours - usually after thrice- weekly evening traffic sked with Emile Guidici, W6CXK, in Angels Camp, California.

A significant blip in the routine came one day: a QSL wrapped in a letter postmarked China from Man Fai Young, XU7Y, instructor in physics, University of Yunnan, Yunnan-Fu (Kunming), congratulating KA1US on pioneering new territory - ten-meter CW. Nobody, including KA1US, had ventured so far up-spectrum in those years. Great puzzlement on the Rock. A QSO on twenty meters showed in the logbook at the time reported. Aha! - unintentional harmonic radiation! XU7Y was apologetically so informed.

A few tentative 20- and 40-meter QSO's were held in the following weeks, but the main contact was by surface mail. Acquaintance burgeoned. It developed that this was Man Fai's first venture away from home, that he had just graduated from University of Hawaii in June 1936. And he designed, block-cut, and printed his own QSL cards.

## Read Part II of *ROCKBOUND on the ROCK* in the December issue of PAARAgraphs.

In January 1974 Steve Stuntz returned to ham radio as an Extra Class licensee after a 15-year hiatus. From 1936 to 1939, he served at several bases in the Philippines, including Corregidor, as Signal Corps transmitter technician and operator on the overseas CW circuits. In 1937 he held KA1US for a year following W7AOQ's return to the US. During WWII he participated in research on selecting and training radio ops for the armed forces. At Columbia Recording Studios, in the spring 1943, he planned and supervised production of recordings combining CW at a range of speeds with various types of QRM, used by Army and Navy for training operators.

Holding degrees in applied experimental psychology, he conducted research in Navy and Air Force laboratories in New England from 1949 until 1964. He moved to California in 1964 on invitation from Stanford Research Institute, retiring in 1978 from a career in speech and ergonomic research.

He is a life member of Palo Alto Amateur Radio Association and ARRL.

At present he is compiling a history of the ICAO/ITU international spelling alphabet.

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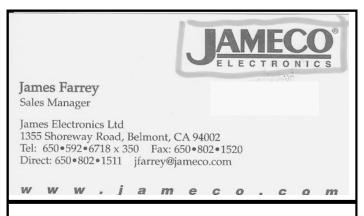
MENLO PARK CIVIL DEFENSE RADIO CLUB, K6YQT

The K6YQT license comes up for renewal shortly. I just received a courtesy renewal application from the ARRL VEC manager, Maria Somma, AB1FM. Notice on the copy of old PAARA letterhead that our affiliation with 'Menlo Park Civil Defense Radio Club, K6YQT' is pretty firmly established. When I was secretary and later president, (many decades ago), I used this letterhead with regularity. Somewhere I still have a box of it. Of course, this was long before e-mail and computers made the typewriter obsolete. It's pretty tough to be certain about the original creation date of the letterhead. Obviously it is after Zip codes were assigned, (late '50s??). PAARA is also incorporated by this time. It would be interesting to know when the Menlo Park box number was obtained. Did it originally belong to K6YQT and come along with the marriage of the two groups? Note also that PAARA seemed to display with pride that we were an ARRL affiliated club. I have the somewhat water damaged (trailer) plaque that was given to us by the ARRL in 1987, commemorating our 50 year affiliation since July 10, 1937. Should we activate K6YQT at field day this year? Maybe a trip to Blair Island? Won't qualify for IOTA?

de, Gerry, N6NV

## **JOB POSTING**

**Electronics Technician** - CPI / Eimac operation in Palo Alto is looking for a person with an Extra Class license and/or excellent trouble shooting skills. General circuit knowledge and an ability to read and understand schematics and drawings is a must. The job requires the upkeep of tube processing equipment and to maintain proper operation. Some of it is 50 years old while some is new. The test equipment you are to maintain is used to test low power to megawatt tubes at this facility. For more information, please contact <a href="maintain-engage: leroy.higgins@mac.com">leroy.higgins@mac.com</a>



# YOUR AD HERE See the next page for details

Badges in hand as of 8/02/09

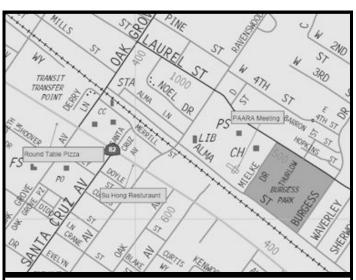
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- -KG6QKN, Francis, Palo Alto
- -K6TSR, George, Portola Valley
- -N6MEF, Michael, Los Altos (2)
- -KG6ZWO, Henri,
- -KF6SRD, Chuck, Daly City
- -K6FTF, Mark, SJ
- -W6NEV, Marty

73 de Ed, KG6KKP, Badgemeister

## **PAARA Weekly Radio Net**

Info and Swap Session every Monday evening 8:30pm on the N6NFI 145.230 MHz repeater. *Control operators:* 

1st Paul Petach KI6QXV 2nd Doug Teter KG6LW 3rd Peter Sheerin K6WEB 4th Doña Kerns KI6DAI 5th Mike Bray N6MEB	Week	Operator	
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AL DONG TEODING	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Peter Sheerin	K6WEB
5 <sup>th</sup> Mike Bray N6MEB	•	Doña Kerns	KI6DAR
	5 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Bray	N6MEB



## Directions to PAARA meeting: http://paara.org/meetings/

Join us for pre-meeting eyeball

# Eye Ball QSO gab & gobble

Food will be served at **6:00** sharp, so guests will be on time for the PAARA meeting. Those arriving late will be responsible for their own food order.

## 5:30 pm—at Su Hong Restaurant 1039 El Camino Real Menlo Park

across from Kepler's Book Store on El Camino Real Walking distance from Caltrain!

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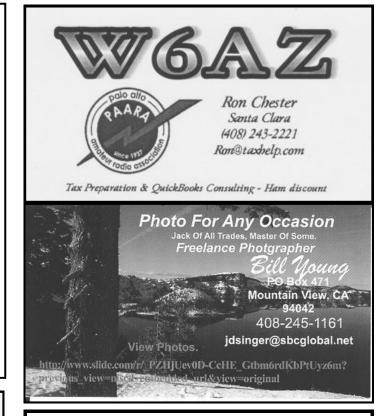
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