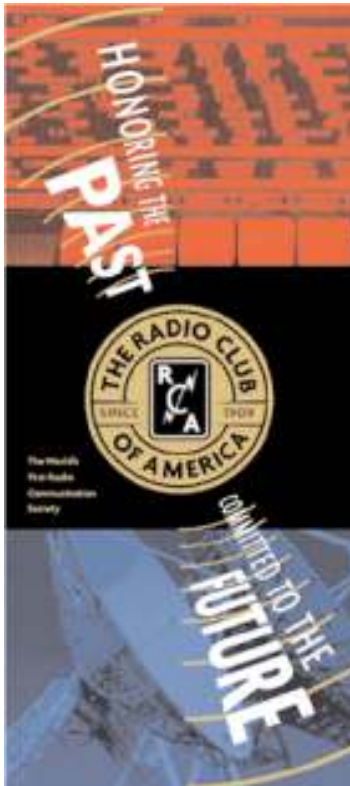




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### **Ballots are on their Way**

The 2010 Ballot have been mailed out, now it is time to take a few moments and make your selections. To learn more about the candidates, check out the Position Statements on the website at [www.radioclubofamerica.org](http://www.radioclubofamerica.org) or [click here to go to the Position Statements](#).

### **Update on 2010 Awards Banquet**

The 101<sup>st</sup> Annual Awards Banquet will be held at the Park Central Hotel in New York on Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. This is a one-day event this year. The cocktail party will begin at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$150 and the Banquet Reservation Form has been mailed out and it is also available on the RCA website, [click here](#) to download.

### **Banquet Award Recipients**

Donald C. Cox PhD will be receiving the Armstrong Medal. The Armstrong Medal was first presented in 1935 and has been awarded 42 times since then to members for an important contribution to radio art and science.

Other award winners who will be honored at the Banquet include: Andrew Seybold receiving the Sarnoff Citation; Timothy Duffy receiving the Barry Goldwater Award; Stephen Meer receiving the President's Award; Richard Somers will be presented with the Special Recognition Award, and Paulla Nelson-Shira will be presented with the Special Service Award.

### **Fellows Elevated**

Members who have been elevated to Fellows for 2010 are: Timothy Duffy, William Lieske Jr., Louis Manno, Richard Mirgon, John J. Sullivan, Larry Weber and Don McFarland. It is our understanding that they will all be attending the Banquet to accept their Fellow plaques in person.

Don't miss the Silent Auction which will begin at 1 p.m. in the Ragchew Room and will also be present at the cocktail party. The Technical Symposium will begin at 3 p.m. with presentations covering emerging technologies, a historical perspective of relevant technological developments leading up to the present and various uses of radio technology. Please RSVP for the Symposium.

### **Martin Cooper to Keynote Banquet**

It has been announced that the Keynote Speaker will be Marty Cooper. Cooper is the chairman and co-founder of DYNA, LLC, exec chair and co-founder of ArrayComm, LLC, co-founder and director of GreatCall, Inc, and innovator of Jitterbug. Cooper has been on 60 minutes, CNN, and NPR at various times just this year. He is a RCA member and has received the Fred Link Award.



### **Bus Ride from NJ to the Banquet**

Are you interested in taking a special bus trip from NJ to the Park Central Hotel in NY for the Banquet? [Click here for more information](#)

## Education Committee's "Wish List Program"

The RCA Education Committee has invited certain pre-screened schools to submit a wish list of equipment or materials they are in need of to enhance their radio/technology programs. We ask that if any of you would like to donate any of the items on the list of Jim Hendershot, RCA Education Committee member, that you contact Carole Perry at [wb2mgp@gmail.com](mailto:wb2mgp@gmail.com) or (718)668-9347. Here is my list so far:

- PC for running Ham Radio software. I have a lead on this one, so I might not need that soon.
- A couple of good lightning arrestors.
- A 2 or 3 position coax switch for HF.
- A 1:1 balun to make a good broadband wire dipole antenna.
- An antenna rotor for the HF beam.
- A digital interface for HF digital modes, such as a Tigertronics Signalink or similar.
- License study guides for the kids (probably starting with the technician class, we'll worry about the rest later).
- An HF wattmeter.

## Ray Trott to be inducted in Wireless Hall of Fame

The Wireless History Foundation (WHF) announced four individuals will be inducted into the Wireless Hall of Fame, including Raymond C. Trott, RF engineering pioneer and founder of Trott Communications Group. Trott Communications offers engineering and consulting services, along with tower leasing and management in the mobile communications industry.

Ray Trott is President Emeritus, has been a RCA member since 1976 and a Fellow since 1978. Ray received the Presidents' Award in 2006 and still involved with the Radio Club of America Committees involvement.

The other three 2010 inductees are:

- LeRoy T. Carlson, founder and chairman emeritus of Telephone and Data Systems and founder of U.S. Cellular
- Edward Samuel "Ted" Rogers Jr. (posthumously), president and CEO of Rogers Communications
- Stanley T. Sigman, retired president and CEO of AT&T Mobility

The inductees were honored during the foundation's Oct. 5 dinner in San Francisco at the Palace Hotel. The program will also recognize the current 24 Hall of Fame members.

"This is an outstanding group of individuals who have made game-changing contributions to the development of wireless, and we are proud to include them in the Hall of Fame," said WHF board member Charlie Townsend, CEO of Aloha Partners.

The Wireless Hall of Fame program was originally created in 2000 by RCR Wireless News to recognize outstanding achievements across all disciplines in the wireless industry. Twenty-four individuals were inducted into the Wireless Hall of Fame through 2007. WHF was formed to preserve and promote the history of wireless telecommunications and assumed administration of the Wireless Hall of Fame program in 2008. Other RCA members that are already in the Hall of Fame are: Marty Cooper, Mal Gurian, Arlene Harris, Dale Hatfield, Jay Kitchen, and Morgan O'Brien.

For more information, go to: <http://wirelesshistory.org/WirelessHallofFame.html>.

## RCA to be at Pacificon

David Witkowski (W6DTW) is working with Rich Reichler and the Sections/Industry Conference Committee to expand the RCA's membership into Northern California. David serves as President of the Wireless Communications Alliance ([www.wca.org](http://www.wca.org)), a non-profit regional economic development league, and will be presenting at two Pacificon forums in mid-October. He plans to distribute RCA membership application packets at Pacificon, and at the WCA's 11th annual "What's Hot, What's Not?" venture capital predictions panel in mid-November.

*-David Witowski*

## Interesting Tidbit

Check out this article in the NY times:

<http://cityroom.blogs.nytimes.com/2010/10/06/after-decades-remains-of-a-magical-voice-will-come-to-rest/>

## Silent Key

John "Jack" Goeken, founder of telecom giant MCI and the father of air-to-ground telephone communication, passed away on September 16 after a long battle with cancer. Jack was a RCA member since 1982 and a Fellow since 1983, he was 80 years young.

Goeken is widely viewed as the father of air-to-ground telephone communication. As a founder of MCI and Airfone Inc., he sought to make communication possible anywhere people go — an idea that at the time revolutionized the [telecommunications industry](#).

Goeken is survived by his wife of 59 years, Mona Lisa Goeken, two children, seven grandchildren, one great-grandchild and two sisters.

Hugh Turnball W3ABC passed away on September 14 at the age of 93; he was a member since 1988 and a Fellow since 1990.

They will be missed.

Do you know someone who isn't yet a member of the RCA? Click [here](#) for more information..

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