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## Meetings

The next **Friday Night General Club meeting:**

Date: Friday, March 1, 2019

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: American Red Cross [\(map\)](#)

3150 E. 29th Street

Long Beach, CA 90806

The next **ARALB Board Meeting:**

Date: Monday, April 1, 2019

Time: 7:00 pm

Location: American Red Cross [\(map\)](#)

3150 E. 29th Street  
Long Beach, CA 90806

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## **Meeting Speaker - J. Scott Bovitz, N6MI**

**50 Years of Ham Radio with N6MI: Crazy Mobile Operations, All Weekend Transmitter Hunts, and Portable Contesting from the Deserts and Mountains.**



Scott is a lawyer, a photographer, a composer, a webmaster, and has been a Ham since 1969 - currently an Amateur Extra. He enjoys T-Hunting and operates amateur radio contests in mobile, portable, Field Day-style from multiple California

counties and grid squares.

Join us this Friday at 7pm for his entertaining, photo-filled presentation.

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## Field Day Planning Meeting

Saturday, March 30th at 11 am.



Field Day is coming! Help us plan and prepare for it. We will be meeting at  
Long Beach Red Cross Building  
3150 E. 29th Street,  
Long Beach, CA 90806.

Help us make this field day the best one yet!

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## From My Perspective

Submitted by Bill Bradley, WD6FON



Dr. Mark Chung, KK6SMD, from my perspective is a phenomenal man. As many of us know, he served in the United States Navy as a doctor, worked with the Marines, and retired as a Navy Captain, which is one step away from being an Admiral (one-star General in the Army). That in itself is a tremendous achievement. But Mark was not finished when he retired from the Navy.

Upon retirement, Mark started his own medical practice. He opened two clinics. Then he became interested in ham radio. In a very short time, he moved up to Amateur Extra. He started a ham club in Cerritos. He started teaching ham radio classes. He became involved with the Red Cross as a volunteer. He joined the

ARALB, and shortly afterward, he volunteered to be the Field Day Chairman (twice).

Today, after two consecutive years of serving as the ARALB Field Day Chair, he has stepped down from doing a tremendous job of that. He serves on the ARALB Board of Directors as a Director. He has become so involved in emergency communications with the Red Cross that he is now in charge of their emergency communications for a large area. He secured a meeting room at the Red Cross for the ARALB. He took over the responsibilities for the ARALB Ham University, and he became an Assistant Section Manager.

Mark has learned to operate various modes of operation and passes this knowledge to fellow ham radio operators. He has done more for local ham radio in his few years as a ham radio operator than most hams who have been licensed for decades.

Recently, Mark was selected as the ARALB Ham of the Year. I can't think of anyone who deserves that award more than Mark. His knowledge, wit, and wisdom have served him well, and they have also served local ham radio well.

I am privileged and honored to have Mark as a friend as well as to work with him as a fellow ham. Thanks, Mark for all you have done, and I look forward to working with you on projects in the future. As the title of this piece states, this is 'from my perspective.'

By Bill Bradley, WD6FON

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**ARALB is now on Twitter**

Follow us at [@aratlbw6ro](https://twitter.com/aratlbw6ro)

**W6RO**  
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## Art Borges, WA6UNC, Silent Key

Former ARALB officer and long-time member, Art Borges, is now a Silent Key (11/27/1927-1/28/2019). His obituary was listed in the February 11 issue of the Press-Telegram and is available online. Comments and condolences can be posted there. Below are a few fond thoughts about Art:

"His presence has been missed for some time. We will continue to miss Art. 73"

- Bill Bradley, WD6FON

"Art was such a sweet man. He really worked for the club."

- Devon, Kf6kee

"Art was such a humorous fellow, and witty too. One year when the ARALB helped serve pancakes at the Signal Hill Community Center, for Breakfast with Santa, two Disney princesses were on hand to greet all the little kids as they arrived. Nobody was more enthralled with the princesses than Art! He adored them, and they were totally obliging to his attention. They posed for photos with Art (in his Santa hat), and we all had a great time. He talked about the princesses for a long time.

Many people will remember that for several years Art made posters for the ARALB meetings. The posters would announce the speaker, and he brought a tripod to display the poster during each meeting.

Goodbye, my friend."

- Carina Lister, KF6ZYY

<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/lbpresstelegram/obituary.aspx?n=arthur-borges&pid=191513083&fhid=2255>

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## **The Official ARALB Calendar**


The official ARALB Google Calendar of events is now online. You can see it by going [HERE](#).

Or by adding [THIS](#) to your g-mail calendar.

There is also a Facebook Calendar available [HERE](#).

## ARALB Event Calendar

Today   February 2019 ▾

 Print [Week](#) **Month** [Agenda](#)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28 19:00 ARALB Febru	29	30	31	Feb 1 19:00 ARALB Febru	
3	4	5	6	7	8	
10	11	12	13	14	15 09:00 Online Tec 09:00 ARALB Am	
17	18	19	20	21	22 09:00 Online Tec 11:00 Field Day 2	
24	25 19:00 ARALB March	26	27	28	Mar 1 19:00 ARALB March	

Events shown in time zone: Pacific Time - Los Angeles

 GoogleCalendar

## W6RO - Making Contacts

W6RO helps friends make DX contacts...





After working at the ice skating rink for the Queen Mary's Christmas event, this fella came by the Wireless Room and asked to make a radio call to Antarctica.  
Submitted by: David Akins - N6HHR

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## Be a W6RO Operator on the Queen Mary!

W6RO - The Nate Brightman Wireless Room aboard the Queen Mary - is the world famous club station of the Associated Radio Amateurs of Long Beach. We strive to staff the station every day. There are a number of vacant shifts that we would like to fill. We need experienced hams who know HF operation and can represent amateur radio to visiting tourists. Volunteers are asked to commit to at least one regularly calendared four-hour shift each month. Interested persons are invited to contact station manager David Akins, N6HHR, at [n6hhr@arrl.net](mailto:n6hhr@arrl.net).

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