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Mini-Vitae

Ham radio operator for almost 50 years - one of the volunteers for liaison back in the FEMA years.

Appointed by (then) Library Director Eva Luckinbill to serve on the Citizens Advisory Group for the construction of the new Santori Library – attended every meeting over the years we met. Making sure Aurora tax dollars were being well spent.

Worked as FAA Air Traffic Controller - and then as Data Systems Specialist and Programmer over on Indian Trail. Analogous to need for perfect communication and reliable technology to police and fire departments.

Naval Flight Officer flying off the USS Coral Sea - as Avionics Division Officer I was responsible for the maintenance and availability for the ATDS systems of the E2 Hawkeye - and also was a member of the avionics Flight Test crew at the Naval Missle Test Center at Point Mugu.

Served as a one man tech support department to the Burling Bank in the Chicago Board of Trade. Tasked with management and maintenance of the phone, e-mail, computer, and banking technology equipment.

Graduate of CPA Class #30- member CPAAA – and Neighborhood Watch block captain for several decades.

In addition to Patrol and COP Ride-Alongs, I have also sat-in with APD's dispatchers to see their side of the radio and computer communications.