

The Alabama Historical Radio Society Newsletter



May 2012



NOTE FROM PRESIDENT DEE

Hi Folks!

Well, it was a blast, but finally, April 2012 is over. I think that it was a bit of a stretch to have three major events in one month, but we did it and everything went flawlessly, thanks to all of our hard working members. If you are interested in joining our group, please email us at the address below. We've got all the bases covered when it comes to collecting, repairing or completely restoring an antique radio.

Our shop is open each Saturday and Tuesday morning from 9am till noon. If you want to tour our museum in the main Alabama Power Company building, then Tuesday is the day to come. The Alabama Power Company building is only open during business hours Monday through Friday. Group tours are by appointment every day except Sunday.

Our first annual swap meet was a huge success. The truck and trailer shown below came from an estate sale in Jacksonville, Florida, and attracted a lot of attention.



Thanks to all who came to this event, especially our friends from Georgia, Tennessee, and Mississippi.

The Second Annual Legends of Broadcast Gala was also a huge success. We had about 50 people there and, as they used to say in the society column, "Marilyn's Dog and Deli" poured. Marilyn served some wonderful food. So, if you visit us during business hours, be sure to go next door for lunch. See if you recognize any of the faces below:



We also celebrated the 90th Anniversary of WSY, which was the first licensed (and continually operating) broadcast station in Alabama. WSY in now known as WAPI.

I guess that will do it for this newsletter. Don't forget to come by and visit us soon.

Dee Haynes

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Since Dee didn't have anything for the radio column this month, I am going to preempt it to mention the 35th Annual Lum & Abner Festival in Mena, Arkansas, on June 1-2. They are going to have re-enactments of the Lum & Abner Radio Show, the Great Lum & Abner Meltdown, a 5K run, a car show, the Lil' Miss & Mister Pageant, food, crafts and live entertainment. You can go to the site below to listen to some of the Lum & Abner radio programs.

http://www.otr.net/?p=lmab

Tom and I still have not been over to their museum, which is about 3 hours southwest of where we live here in Conway.

Patsy Desaulniers, Editor

MEETING TIMES

We meet nearly every Saturday of the month at 09:00 AM in the one-story building at the corner of 8th Avenue North and 18th Street (1801 8th Avenue North, Birmingham, AL 35203). Use the rear (Southeast) entrance.

It has also been decided to open the shop on Tuesday, as well as Saturday. We have a lot of projects going on and need the extra day to get it all done. So, until further notice, we will be open Tuesdays from 9am till...and on Saturday morning. Note that parking could be a problem on Tuesdays, because it is a business day, and the lot is usually filled, so you might have to find street parking occasionally.

Come to the Monday Night Meetings, TOO, on the 4th Monday of the month at 7 PM!

FREE ELECTRONICS CLASSES

The first Saturday of the month, there are electronics classes free to members. Topics include test equipment, Resistors and Capacitance testing, Inductors and coil winding, to name only a few subjects!

We hope to see you there!



Membership dues are \$25 a year, <u>payable beginning in January</u>. If you have questions about your dues, you can contact Tom at 205-967-7000.

Dues can be mailed to AHRS @ P.O. Box 131418, Birmingham AL 35213.

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