

The Alabama Historical Radio Society Newsletter



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NOTE FROM PRESIDENT DEE

Hi Folks!

Most of you probably know that our teacher extraordinaire, Robert Frye, has moved to his new home in Loxley, Alabama, in Baldwin County. Boy, I can smell that wonderful seafood. When I was a child, my dad took us to Bon Secour for a week of fishing. That is only about 25 miles south from Robert's new home. I hope Robert and Margaret enjoy the slow and easy going life among the tall pines and the Spanish moss.

Before Robert got away, we did give him a little going away party. Jim 'N Nick's supplied the BBQ (pork and beef brisket) with their famous mashed potatoes and cold slaw.



Here you see Margaret, Robert, and yours truly presenting the trophy in appreciation for all the hard work and dedication Robert has given our club over the years.



Here are all the guys at Robert's party. The ladies refused to get in the picture.

Also this month, we were hosts for the Healthcare Community Amateur Radio Club. The HCARC held their monthly meeting at our shop after which they toured the shop then visited the museum in the Alabama Power Company atrium. They really enjoyed seeing all of our displays. Here is a shot of Dave Cisco showing of some of our communication receivers.



That's all for now. If it looks like you might enjoy joining us, come on by and visit.

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I was watching an episode of Jack Benny on YouTube the other day and there, before my very eyes, was a Hallicrafters S-38. Click below to see the show and watch out for the radio in the little skit they do.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E9xCZmH_mLg&feature=fvst

Also, watch out for supporting actor, Benny Rubin. He's the one who brought in the tall, well-dressed crook. Benny Rubin was a regular on the Jack Benny Show on TV and the radio show as well.

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It is with deep sadness that we report the death of one of Alabama's finest broadcasters, Wendell Harris. Wendell's family asked that instead of flowers, donations be made to the Edgar M. Arendall Children's Building, Dawson Memorial Baptist Church, 1114 Oxmoor Road, Birmingham, AL 35209. If you would like to make a donation to our club, AHRS can then send a check to the church fund. Although Wendell was not a member of our group, he did attend our Legends of Broadcast parties, and he honored us with a personal interview, which we have recorded on DVD, thanks to our videographer, Ed Boutwell.

CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL RADIO CLUB NEEDS OUR HELP

One of the historical radio clubs across our nation, this one in California, desperately needs our help. Please go to the web site below and read about the history of radio station KRE, and the CHRS group that needs help in purchasing the building in which they are located.

http://www.californiahistoricalradio.com/

Steve Adams of radioattic dot com put me onto this story and told me that he is donating \$1,000. The money will go toward the purchase of the building. If they are not able to collect enough funds, all monies will be returned. If all the radio collectors across our great country could just put in a few bucks, this historical building can be saved.

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!



DUES ARE NOW DUE

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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