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NOTE FROM PRESIDENT TOM

Hello, All!!

This is my first newsletter since becoming your new president. Also, elected for this year are Steven Westbrook, vice-president, John Outland, treasurer, and Mike Woodruff, secretary. We look forward to continuing the fine job Dee and his officers have done. As Dee completes his term, some of his projects have just been completed with great success.

The Swap Meet on April 27 was a success, even with threatening weather. There are many pictures of the Swap Meet on our web site. Thanks to those volunteers that made this another first-class event.

On Thursday, May 9, the third annual Legends of Broadcasting get-together took place at the Shop. It was well attended by 12 current and past radio/TV personalities from the Birmingham area, as well as about 13 of our club members. Lantz Croft and Ed Boutwell videotaped the gathering as the Legends introduced themselves and told stories of times past in the radio/TV trade. For almost two hours, the crowd was spellbound as the tales went from serious to unbelievable to job ending. As one participant stated, the scene sent chills over his body. Everyone enjoyed a meal from Marilyn's Deli and Dog. Lantz will edit the tapes and produce a DVD to preserve the event. This was one of the most memorable times for our club. There were many still pictures taken, and they will be on our web site soon.

Dee's last event was the Turntable and Audio Clinic, which was on Saturday, May 11. Mack White and David LaRussa took charge of this Clinic and discussed the care and handling of all things turntable and audio. They provided an informative day for those in attendance.

Dee served as president for the past two years, and I can only hope to be as successful as he was as president of the club. He will continue to be a regular contributor to the club and the newsletter. Also, other members will be contributing to the newsletter. Larry Lokey, Robert Frye, Kyle Owen, Dave Cisco and others will be appearing in the newsletter periodically. Interesting articles from any and all of our members are welcomed for the newsletter. This is your newsletter, and it should contain articles that interest you.

The club now has full-time internet service from Brighthouse, and research is now more reliable. We have our own password-protected Wi-Fi network in the building. So bring your laptops and work away.

With the new internet service and some additional work by Dave Cisco's nephew, we have SKYPE up and running. On May 4, Robert Frye taught radio class from his home in Loxley, AL through the SKYPE setup. I was not there, but I was told that there was good attendance and participation.

While the fourth Monday in May is a holiday, we will still hold the night meeting at 7 p.m. that day, May 27. There will be a board meeting at 6:15 p.m. in the break room downstairs prior to the regular meeting. Please come and be a part of our growing club. If you have any suggestions for programs for the night meetings, please share them with one of the officers. Thanks!!

The club has a large number of customer radios needing repair. If you have some time, please join us on Tuesday and/or Saturday and help us get these radios repaired. If you have been staying away for any reason, please consider coming back. The fellowship is fantastic!

Tom Killian

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LARRY'S OLD TIME RADIO BITS

Hello Folks!

For the time being, Larry and I will share the podium in our efforts to keep you up to date, so to speak, on radio shows from the 30's to the 60's. I have found a "new" cop show that is similar to Dragnet in its realistic presentation. The show ran on the CBS Radio Network from July 6, 1950, to February 20, 1953. The director and script writer often rode with police on the job and sat in on the police lineups to get ideas, thus adding to its realism. Here is a link to listen to the show:

<http://www.myoldradio.com/old-radio-shows/line-up-the>

There are 56 shows available on the site above. You can download them or just listen to them online.

Now I'm going to brag some more on my internet radio. I'm listening to "1920's Radio Network" out of Virginia. This is a site for music from the 20's to the 50's, mostly big band, but a lot of stuff in between. Here is a sample of the music. (recorded consecutively over about 15 minutes): Hoosier Hot Shots, featuring an ocarina, washboard, banjo, bass fiddle and one or two other instruments; next, Henry Allen and his orchestra playing "I Wish I Could Shimmy Like My Sister Kate"; then came the Andrews Sisters singing their famous "Beer Barrel Polka"; Jo Stafford singing "Baby Won't You Please Come Home" (love Jo Stafford); last on the list was Buddy Rich and his Orchestra with "Just You, Just Me."

Try to find this stuff on your local station. BTW, there is no advertising.

Well, folks, that's all for now. See you on the radio dial.

Dee Haynes

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EDITOR'S NOTE

My husband Tom wants to know if anyone makes a "radio" that you program URL's into instead of frequencies, so you stream audio from your favorite stations via your home wireless internet hot spot? He thinks Sony used to make something along this line and/or maybe Crane Radio in California. That would be cool. You can email him at tom@k4viz.com with your responses.

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

Free electronics classes are taught the first Saturday of the month. 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 Due

Membership dues are \$25 a year, payable beginning in January. If you have questions about your dues, you can contact John Outland at 205-354-5258.

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

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