



The Alabama Historical Radio Society Newsletter

November 2008



A NOTE FROM THE PREZ

October was a busy month for many of us. We began setting up committees to manage some of the club's activities. The group to manage the shop and storage met on October 10 and elected Tom Killian as chairman. Then, on the 22nd, the library and museum committees met. Tom Killian will head the museum group, and Dee Haynes will take on the library. These committees will need all the help they can get, so if you can fit into one, let the chairman know.

Dee and I performed at Galleria Woods Men's Breakfast on the 13th, and at Hoover First United Methodist Church on the 15th. The Hoover group was one of the most enthusiastic we have had. These groups made over 1000 people who have enjoyed our program. We have several more shows scheduled in the next few months.

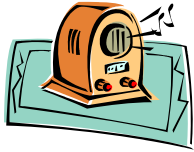
Dee and I visited Pete on the 9th, and Celeste and I spent time with him on the 26th. Pete is walking with a walker and progressing nicely for a 100-year-old.

Speaking of Pete, November 8th is the Montgomery Hamfest, and it is dedicated to Pete Sides. We hope there will be a good showing from our group to help honor Pete. Robert Frye continues to improve from his surgery. We held his class for him on the first of November. HURRY BACK Robert.

We received some great recognition in ***CQ Magazine*** for November. Mike Lord had one of the beautiful rigs he has built shown on page 80, and I managed to get on the front cover. Our group was mentioned in the article about the front cover.

Well that's enough for now. We have a great time on Saturday mornings and always have room for more people to join us.

Dave



DEE'S RADIO SHOWS

Well it's that time again. Time to wander down memory lane.

Before I get into the main topic, I'd like to briefly mention our class that we just did this past Saturday, November 1, 2008. Marvin Shepherd, Dave Cisco and I conducted the class on schematic reading and trouble shooting of old radios. I gave a demonstration using audible tones from two tone generators and how two different frequencies can be mixed in the radio to produce a third desired frequency. We had a good turnout, and I think that everyone got something out of the class.

Dave and I have finally cracked open the proverbial nut that we have been trying to crack for the past couple of years. We will do our first AHRS presentation for a local Baptist Church, namely, Shades Crest Baptist. Dave and I are looking forward to doing our show for the Seniors group there on November 20th. Mark Johnson, Minister for Senior Adults, told me there will be 50 to 75 people there. I know we will have a good time.

I am starting my evening listening now with the Burns and Allan Radio Show. I haven't heard that show since I was quite small; in fact, I'm not sure if I ever heard it at all. It went off the air in the early '50's so I couldn't have been more than 8 or 9 and more interested in hearing the Lone Ranger. I don't think I would have enjoyed listening to George Burns trying to sing. In my opinion, Gracie wasn't that much better.

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We now have booked Hunter Street Baptist Seniors for January. Things are looking up for Dave and me on the "dog and pony show." These shows are really a lot of fun, and we meet such nice people. If you would like to join Dave and me, please let us know. Randali Murphree is working up a script of the program, so that someone else can do the show. Thanks Randall.

Well, until next time,

Dee Haynes

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Our sympathy goes to AHRS long time member, Dave Johnson, whose 92-year-old mother passed away October 16. Services were at Patterson-Forest Grove Funeral Home on Saturday, October 18, at 11 AM. Memorials can be made to the First Baptist Church of Pleasant Grove Handbell Choir. Please also remember Cheryl Tillman whose mother passed away November 3. Please keep Cheryl and the Tillman family in your thoughts and prayers.

MEETING TIMES

We meet nearly every Saturday of the month at 09:00 at the Alabama Power Building on Parkway East (aka Centerpoint Parkway) in Huffman. The organization's space is accessed from the rear of the building, so park around the back (by means of Huffman Road, which runs parallel to the Parkway). Entry is via the door on the right.

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 INFORMATION

Membership dues are \$25 a year, payable beginning in January. If you have questions about the dues, you can contact Julian at 205-879-3619. **Dues can be mailed to AHRS @ P.O. Box 130307, Birmingham AL 35213.**

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