

The Heartland Antique Radio Association, Inc.

Minutes of the February 15, 2018 Meeting

The HLARA monthly meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm at the Hardesty Regional Library, Tulsa, OK, by the president, Jerome Thomas.

Jerome presented Randy Beeson, a restored Wilcox-Gay radio in appreciation for his service as the 2017 president.

The following officers were present:

President Jerome Thomas	Board Member Scott Petty
Secretary/Treasurer Earl Massoth	Board Member Gene Vickery

Including officers, 33 members and guests were in attendance.

Name tags were introduced at this meeting. Gene Vickery had preprinted name tags for members and write-in name tags for guests. Gene introduced the name tag program, noting that the purpose is to make guests and members more comfortable.

Program:

Scott Petty introduced our presenter for the evening, Jim Sargent of the Vintage Radio and Phonograph Society of Dallas describing some interesting biographical information. Jim talked about the first three years of Atwater-Kent radio history, 1921-1923. Arthur Atwater-Kent's radio business followed his automobile parts manufacturing business and used many of the same manufacturing techniques. Jim had a number of demonstration items, including several Atwater-Kent receivers. Jim described how Arthur Atwater-Kent became the largest radio manufacturer in the U.S. Jim pointed out that Arthur Atwater-Kent refused to pay royalties for patented designs, and sold some radios as kits to avoid this expense.

Reports:

No reports were given.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Show and Tell:

Three members described radios that they brought to the meeting. Gene Vickery showed an Atwater-Kent Model 44. Scott Petty described an Atwater-Kent Model 55 and horn speaker that he had brought to the meeting. Ted Coombes showed a Crosley "Buddy Boy" receiver.

Auction:

The donation auction netted \$245.00. Jim Sargent conducted the auction.

The meeting was adjourned.

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