

## The Heartland Antique Radio Association, Inc.

Minutes of the May 16, 2019 Regular Meeting

The *Heartland Antique Radio Association* monthly meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM at Asbury United Methodist Church, Tulsa, OK by the president, **Jerome Thomas**.

The following officers were present:

President: **Jerome Thomas**                      Board Member: **Randy Beeson**  
Secretary/Treasurer: **Earl Massoth**      Board Member: **Scott Petty**  
Board Member: **Gene Vickery**

Including officers, 14 club members were in attendance.

The motion for the approval of the minutes for the March meeting, as posted on the **hlara.org** website, was made and seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The treasurer's report was given by **Earl Massoth**.

Old business:

**Jerome** reminded us of the *Summer Sizzler* that is scheduled for June 29th this year. **Gene** informed us that there was a new contest category added – homebrew. He was careful to add that this category referred to a device constructed from scratch, and had no relation to a beverage. Mentioned were some of the activities scheduled: door prize, contest, and lunch.

**Jerome** gave some details on the vintage radio show scheduled for Saturday, May 18 at the Town Village retirement community. He asked for volunteers to attend and bring a working vintage radio. He described how events like this that bring back memories were always well received and appreciated by residents.

New Business:

**Gene** mentioned that he had received an email from someone in the area that had some old radios to sell. He displayed some photos that had been sent with the email, and provided the sender's email address.

Scott stated that member **Ted Coombes** had some radios to sell and suggested that anyone get in touch with **Ted** if they were interested.

A memorial to **Robert B. Shindhelm**, who passed away from this life on April 29, 2019, was read by **Scott Petty**. **Robert (Bob)** was the founder and first president of the Heartland Antique Radio Association. He served for many years as a member of the Board of Directors, and was a mentor to many other HLARA members. Those in attendance stood for a moment of silence in tribute to a departed friend.

Program:

**Earl** presented a program on the life and accomplishments of Reginald Fessenden. Fessenden lived from 1866 to 1932. The first audio wireless transmissions, as opposed to Morse code, are attributed to him.

Show and Tell:

We had several members bring “show and tell” items. **Scott** showed us a 1946 Howard receiver. He also had a RCA/Ryder Channelist all-in-one radio test instrument. There were several novelty radios shown. **Jerome** showed us a WD-40 radio, a guitar radio, a Stanley measuring tape radio, a ship radio, and a coffee cup radio. **Louise McGinnis** brought a gas pump radio, a radio in the shape of a sphere, and a jukebox radio. **Gene** showed us a soup can radio and two flashlight radios. **Earl Stutzman** demonstrated a radio in the shape of a stack of dollar bills.

Prize Drawing:

A random number was drawn for a free first pick from the auction table. The winner was **Wes Eaton**. **Wes** picked an old test instrument of unknown application.

Auction:

The usual donation auction was held and we received \$28.00. The auctioneer was **Randy**. A good portion of the proceeds were from strong bidding on an unusual auction item – free range eggs - brought to the auction by **Monty Smith**.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM.

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