

The Heartland Antique Radio Association, Inc.

Minutes of the August 15, 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
Vice President: Eldon Loomis	Board Member: Scott Petty
Secretary/Treasurer: Earl Massoth	Board Member: Gene Vickery

Including officers, 16 club members were in attendance.

Announcements:

Several announcements were made.

It was reported that **Walt Murray**, a local businessman who markets on the internet, had sold his large stock of tubes. There were no details of how and when this might take place.

Jerome announced that a collector in Pryor, OK was planning on getting rid of his collection of antique radios. **Jerome** will email the club with details as they become available.

Jerome also announced that the annual Swap Meet will be held on September 14th. Lunch will be served. A donation auction will be held. There may be some radio collections for sale, but there are no definite plans yet.

The motion for the approval of the minutes for the July meeting, as posted on the **hlara.org** website, was made by **Gene** and seconded by **Mark Gabby**. The motion carried unanimously.

The treasurer's report was given by **Earl Massoth**. A motion was made to approve the report by **Scott** and seconded by **Mark**. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Program

Randy Beeson did a presentation on *Radio, The First Electronic Mass Media*. He described some early radio personalities, including Fr. Charles Coughlin and Aimee Semple McPherson. He described how radios became popular beginning in the early 1920s, and how automobile radios began increasing in number beginning in 1935. Shortwave bands were popular in the early years in the U. S. because of interest in the political climate of Europe and Asia. **Randy** noted that the end of the "Golden Age" of radio began circa 1947 as broadcast television began making inroads in the American consumer market.

Show and Tell:

We had 2 members bring “show and tell” items. **Jerome** showed a metal-cased Hopalong Cassidy radio. He described it as a desirable item for both Western and antique radio collectors.

Gene demonstrated the farm radio that he won at the last meeting. He described how he had refinished, repaired, and then configured the radio to operate on 6 volts.

Donation Auction:

The usual donation auction was held with **Randy** as the auctioneer.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45.

Respectfully submitted,
Earl Massoth, Secretary

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