

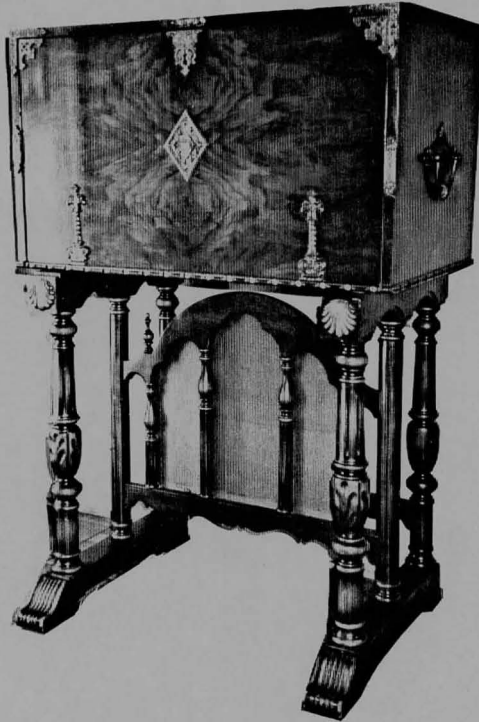


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# RADIO

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## From The PSARA President's Desk

By PSARA President Max Kaplan

A reminder to ALL members: Please take the time to fill out the mailable attachment and express your opinion on the present "museum" problem. We would like to know the position of the majority of members on this topic before we can proceed with a proper proposal to the board of trustees of the Shoreline Historical Museum. For those of you who missed the last few meetings and who may not be familiar with the problem at hand: the museum hired a new director and she is putting the museum's direction on a new track; renovation including new lighting is in progress in some of the upstairs rooms. Our "radio room" is also slated for this treatment. Who is paying for all this and the new directors salary? We are supposed to do our share. First proposal was by a monthly rent (\$100.) for the upstairs room. This was later modified, instead of rent, participation of PSARA in soliciting the writing of grants, holding equipment sales to benefit the museum and a number of other fund raising activities on an ongoing basis.

The opinions expressed by some members at our May meeting were mostly negative to above proposals with the exception concerning improvements to the general display in the "radio room". So, let's hear from you out there and mail in the questionnaire. If you need more details on this matter, please contact Ken Korhonen or Bob Phelps.

A special thanks to our curator Ken; Who spent numerous days in the upstairs display area to make it attractive. Also thanks to all those PSARA members, who by their appearance at the last board of trustees meeting, helped to impress the board members. Last but not least; thanks, John Schneider, for presenting "our side" so eloquently.

Max

## PSARA Meeting Minutes

*Seattle, WA - Sunday May 19, 1991*

Note: Due to the absence of our regular secretary, Bob Phelps was "volunteered" to the honors.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM. 33 members and one visitor attended. Treasurer's report was read.

OLD BUSINESS: The "museum problem" was discussed at length; Ken Korhonen (curator) & Bob Phelps presented the goings on of the May 15, 1991 board of trustees meeting and another subsequent meeting between some board members and Ken and Bob. An open discussion showed a generally negative position among PSARA members present concerning the proposals advanced by the museum's director. Several PSARA members suggested, putting out feelers now, for a different location for club meetings and radio museum. Art Corbus again related the early beginnings of the present "radio room". A questionnaire will be attached to the June 91 Horn of Plenty to obtain more input on this matter.

Applications for the book "Puget Sounds" are still being taken.

NEW BUSINESS: Howard Page suggested "home made radios" for some of the future show- and-tells, where members would exhibit some of their favorite "home brews". As there were no further items on the agenda. The meeting was adjourned.

AN unscheduled presentation was made by Bob Phelps; an "ACE V" (Crosley) 1 tuber was set up for operation.

## PSARA Coming Events:

June 16 Howard Randall; "Using a Grid Dip Oscillator".

July 21 Grant Montague; "A Working TV Color Wheel".

August 18 Annual invitational public Swap Meet.

Sept. 15 PSARA Officer Election.

## *Removing the AK Potted Supply*

by F.W. Sloat W7AHK

During a recent club meeting the question came up, "how do you remove the parts from an Atwater Kent potted power supply?" Two methods were mentioned, placing the part in the oven or the deep freeze. Working with the pitch can be a messy affair. To keep good relations with the XYL, who usually objects to using her oven for anything but food, the following described method is quite simple. Place the part in a bread pan, upside down, and supported off the bottom of the pan by two small blocks. Heat all sides with a propane torch, do not hold torch in one spot too long if you wish to preserve the finish. The insides should drop down and the case can be lifted off. The pitch hardens rapidly so keep applying heat until the case is completely clear. Do this outside and be careful of fire as the material is inflammable. The insides can now be placed in the deep freeze for several days and the material or pitch can be removed by tapping or prying until the defective part is accessible. If you are working with a potted audio transformer this is a particular good method as the transformer comes out quite clean and can be rewound. Work fast as the pitch warms up and becomes sticky again. Save all pitch for the re-pouring job.

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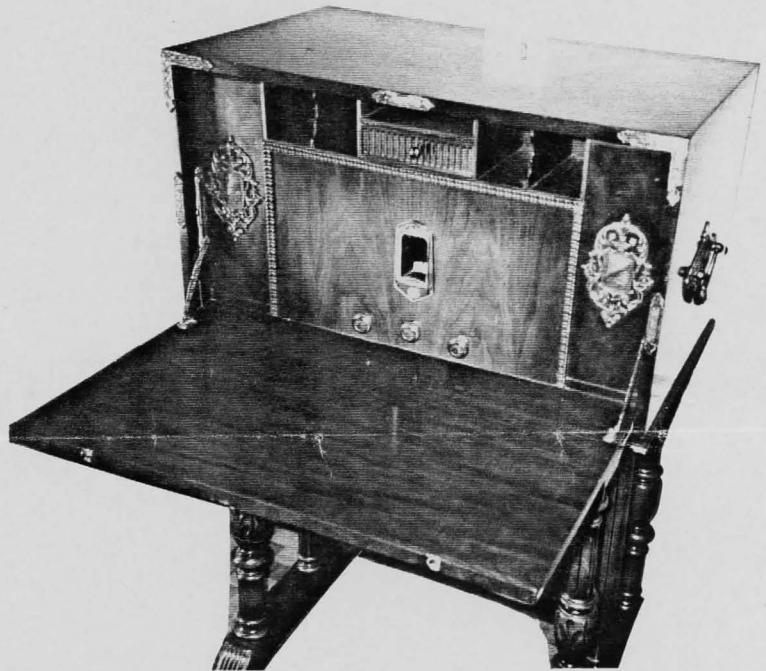
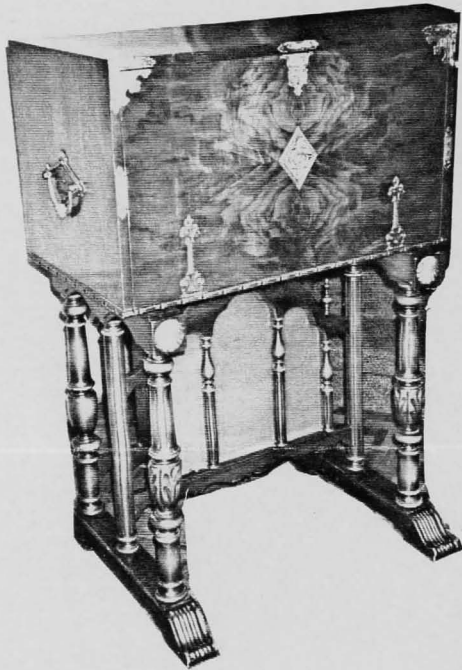
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## NWVRS Meeting

June 8, 1991 Open forum on Restoration topics including safety considerations.

## Swap Meet

Aug. 10, 1991 Speed's Big Summer Swap  
Speed (503)390/3928 Sonny (503)254/9296

## NWVRS

The Northwest Vintage Radio Society is a non-profit historical society incorporated in the State of Oregon. Since 1974 NWVRS has been dedicated to the preservation and restoration of Antique Radio & Wireless apparatus.

The CALL LETTER was founded in 1974 by Harley Perkins (our first President). Editors have served as follows: 1975-77 Bob Bilbie, 1977-78 Bob Hay, 1978-79 Tom James, 1980 Bill DeVey, 1981-83 Jim Mason, 1983-87 Richard Karman & 1987-91 Edwin Buhite.

The Northwest Vintage Radio Society meets at the Buena Vista Club House (Atkinson Park) 16th & Jackson Street, Oregon City, Oregon. (Note: take I-205 & Exit at Park Place, take first right onto Washington St. continue to 15th, left up 15th hill to Jackson, turn left to 16th).

Meetings are held at 10:00 AM on the second Saturday of each month except for summer vacation in July. The meetings are an opportunity to exchange information and advice.