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### Shipshewana, IN Farmstead Inn August 6,7, 2010

John Huckeby: 765-686-0189

The show agenda is as follows:

Friday August 6	6 PM	plenty of food
Friday August 6	8 PM	show opens... set-up and dealing
Saturday	August 7	Show opens at 8 AM
Saturday	August 7	2 PM Auction

**We will be at the Shipshewana Show.... If you are needing specific parts, please send us a postcard or email and we will have the parts at Shipshewana.**

**Ron and Mary Knappen 608 582 4124 [phonecoinc@aol.com](mailto:phonecoinc@aol.com)**

Ericofones: Inventory of large accumulation of NOS Ericofone items consisting of parts and including 7000 cases and 23,300 caps, and a pickup load of cords. These are leftovers from the last US manufacturer of Ericofones. \$54,000 which includes about 100 refurbished and some original Ericssons.

480 page Payphone History. The book is divided in 3 sections: 1. The Payphone (321 pgs), 2. Booths (63pgs), 3. Signs - 810 signs (74pgs), \$25.00 + \$5.00 shipping NE Grey multiline phones \$5.00 each , \$100 @ \$3.00 each. 3 Kellogg/ITT Payphone \$100 each Take all 3 + a cart full of misc condition (about 6) for \$400.

*Western Electric 300 set 1937, metal housing, early set, short ears, vented back ,embossing on bottom plate different from the later models,powder coated and in working order, just plug in,\$325.00 plus shipping. Ekkehart Willms #697, 650 571 9070, 13 West 40th Ave., San Mateo, Ca. 94403 [ampw@pacbell.net](mailto:ampw@pacbell.net)*

### It Pays To Set UP At Shows, and TALK

Ok Rob, I can now tell the whole story on those Sumter parts. I mentioned on the list that there would be a table of nothing but Sumter parts at the Shipshewana Show. I did not disclose who was bringing them because they were not all gathered in yet.

As you know, I set up at the Springfield, OH telephone show in early May. The show began on Thursday evening and went through Saturday afternoon for the telephone collectors. On Saturday of the show, a gentleman stood around my table for awhile and talked about phones. He then asked me if I was interested in buying a bunch of phones at an auction.

I knew nothing of this auction and had not seen any advertising on it. The owner liked Sumter though. I am like Jerry Williams in that I do not mind driving 500 plus miles to a good auction. I did and although I ended up spending more than I wanted to, I came home with more long poles, marked Sumter receivers, transmitters, etc., than I have seen at one place.

I also bought an incomplete Western Electric pin-hole dial wood phone. So, I will have lots of Sumter parts at the Shipshewana, IN, show for sale or trade.

I know that there will be lots of phones and parts for sale at the show. If you have not sent in your registration, please do so to Cindy today.

**Sterl** *Abilene, Kansas, Telephone Show* **Sterl**  
**Hall** *hosted by Jerry Williams* **Hall**  
**April 29-30, 2011**

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**FOR SALE**

Operator's Switchboard, original finish, very nice board. I was told it was installed in 1904, but last repair was written inside as 6-10.

It is 55 inches tall, 11 inches wide, and 23 inches deep. It has a complete head set. It has a metal tag that says "American Electric Telephone Co. Chicago, Illinois."

On the shield it says, "Independent System." It has a back door that opens to get inside to repair. Inside has an embossed mark "A!81D" Also inside, is a partial paper diagram/schematic on the back door, inside. I purchased this wonderful item in Fort Atkinson, Iowa.

It has 26 total drops and 12 operators cords/positions. The foot rest shows all the years the lady rubbed her foot on that rest, but not worn through.

The person I purchased this from said that there were 3 CO lines and 9 homes served by this switchboard.

I am looking for the best offer for this item, and can bring it to the Shipshewana, IN show.

Robert Wright, # 1267  
1375 S. 15th St.  
Marion, Iowa 52302  
319-447-6328  
olefriends@msn.com

**Jeff Brown assisted by Dan Golden will auction off a load of parts from one collection and several wall telephones from another one at the Shipshewana, IN show. The auction will be at 2 PM on Saturday, August 7.**

**WANTED 101G POWER SUPPLY**

I am in need of the proper power supply for my WE 555 switchboard. If you have one you can bring along to Shipshewanna, I guarantee you will not have to take it home. Also still looking for Red AE90.

Harry Smith  
9649 Riverside Dr. #1  
Coral Springs, FL 33170  
786-277-7466  
HarrySmith1957@gmail.com

**WANTED**

I am interested in buying a small telephone collection. As well, if you have several incomplete candlestick phones, I am interested in purchasing.

Thanks, John  
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j.huckeby@comcast.net

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**For Sale**

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*Just wanted to make you aware of a book that is being offered BY one of our members at a special rate TO all of our members. Don Walton has put together a book titled A History of Communication Made Possible by the Telephone. He is offering it to all ATCA members from now until August 1 for a special rate of \$20. The order form was on page 3 of the June newsletter or you can email Don to order or ask questions at [donaldwalton@comcast.net](mailto:donaldwalton@comcast.net).*

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605-521-7016

**FOR SALE**

30 Year Telephone Collection  
Due to the death of my late husband, I have an extensive collection of telephones and phone memorabilia for sale. This collection includes thousands of antique and collectible telephones, a huge assortment of piece parts (dials, ringers, earpieces, mouthpieces, transmitter arms, etc.), phone booths, gossip benches and telephone tables/chairs, phone books, telephone related toys, porcelain signs, and much more. Detailed information about this collection, including an image gallery, inventory lists, and contact information may be viewed at the following website: <http://offthehookphones.com/> Please email or call if you have questions or would like more information.

I am in need of 2 Gray Silver Dollar Arm Rests. Repro will be fine. If none are available, could someone loan me one so that I can have two made?

Walt Aydelotte  
[aydelotte01@comcast.net](mailto:aydelotte01@comcast.net)

Dave Gruger 2768  
870 257 2801  
34 Harmon Circle  
Hardy, AR 72542  
[dgruger@centurytel.net](mailto:dgruger@centurytel.net)

**For Sale**

**All item plus exact shipping**

52A Splicer's Dial Set \$20  
48 Volt Frame Trouble Light. Good bulb. Lamp shield cracked but repaired. \$20  
48 Volt Frame Trouble Light. light bulbs. Five available. Test good with ohm meter. \$5 ea  
W2BT Cords for Butt Set with clips. Two available. New \$10 ea  
W20B Cord for Central Office Butt Set with small clips. New \$5  
KS 8455 L2 Brownie Kick meter. With soft case and battery. No test cord. Works. New \$20  
KS 8455 L2 Brownie Kick meter. Leather case. With cord and battery. Works. New \$25.  
Eveready No.455 Neda 201, 45 volt battery. Used in KS 8455-L2 Kick meter. Test good. \$5  
Bell System Sleeve roller. \$5  
11A Dial for TS-22 Butt set. NIB \$10  
E3 Switchboard Lamps. 10ea. \$2  
WE 51A Switchboard lamps. New . 6 available. \$1  
553A Lamp Puller. Three available. \$3 ea  
Power supply Fuses. Package of 5 white, 12 brown. Pop-top type. \$2.50  
215A Female Jack. Don't know what used on but takes same size Male jack as on Switchboard. New \$3  
9Ca-60 Western Electric Beige Rotary Dial. NIB \$8  
35AT3A Western Electric TT Dial. For Touch-A-Matic. \$8  
Weston DC Volt Meter. Leather case. \$20  
WE79B2 Power Unit. Condition unknown. \$10  
WE 685A Subset. Condition unknown. \$5  
Melco KA-380 Paging Access Unit. Condition unknown. \$5

Melco KC-19 Intercom Unit. Condition unknown. \$5  
San-Bar Model SB-701-12 tt Dial. Reads on enclosed installation instructions for changing rotary dial with TT on 500 type sets. \$10  
Red WE 510 A/B Two-Line telephone. No line cord. Modular. \$60  
KS-8047 Frame Wire Reel. \$50  
1000 ft roll of single pair Bk/W cloth Frame wire Coil to go on Frame wire reel. \$50  
Brass Wall Plate and female Jack. Jack size same as Switchboard male plug. \$5  
Yellow Combination Aerial drop, C-wire, E-wire splitter. \$5  
Party-Lite. Small 4 party test set with 5 lights. With BSP page of instructions. \$5  
Splicer's 513A Test cord with pick probe. New in package. \$5  
Plantronics M10 Amplifier and headset. I'm told that this was used with Dimension Phone system.

Mike Davis #2022  
30 Ring Lane  
Levittown, NY 11756  
516 735-9765  
Email [mvtel@verizon.net](mailto:mvtel@verizon.net)

**FOR SALE**

Super nice WE dial stick phone. The original paint is beautiful. It has a nice transmitter and comes with the bottom plate. If you have a dial stick in your collection with worn paint you can really upgrade it by moving your parts over to this one. No dial, rec. or mp. \$135.

Western Electric 202 with dial and E handset \$75.

Western Electric E3 handset. This is an original handset that came off of an early ship phone, it has a marked pushbutton in the handle. \$65.

Western Electric 201, the early space saver with the gooseneck for the dial. Comes complete with the dial and the hard to find L mounting bracket. \$75.

**WANTED**

Always looking for old/early payphones and parts.

I need some early lead coin chutes and early 2 coil relays to help complete some of my projects.

Allen Rockefeller #3642  
24 Fairview Place  
Hauppauge, NY 11788  
631-234-2004  
[Arock1313@optonline.net](mailto:Arock1313@optonline.net)

**WANTED**

Keystone transmitter faceplate.  
American Electric dial c/s base & cover  
w/ring.

Pax/Strowger celluloid number  
card.

Leich Candlestick base bottom.  
Kellogg non-dial base bottom  
w/ master phone tag.

AE Mercedes porcelain dial  
numberplate. Winning lotto ticket.

Dave Martin, #278  
6016 Sheaff Lane  
Ft. Washington, PA 19034  
215-628-9490

**FOR SALE**

1. W.E. black G5 handset, very clean,  
with cord, with rectangular push bar in  
the middle of the handle. \$15
2. N.E. black G7 handset with cord,  
very clean, with 0 to 9 control switch  
in the middle of the handle. \$20
3. W.E. E2 handset w/o cord. \$70
4. W.E. compact oak magneto phone,  
the type and size that the Pennsylvania  
Railroad used, original dirty  
finish with decal, separate transmitter,  
#305AC, 5 bar meg. \$85
5. W.E. brown bakelite handsets F1 \$50  
each, or painted over brown from the  
factory - \$40.

**WANTED**

I'm looking for these W.E.  
items: AUTOVON Card Dialer  
cards, RED 680A Speakerphone  
transmitter, GREY 760A Loudspeaker,  
TURQUOISE hardwired G6 or G7  
Handset, 259B KTU, PINK Card  
Dialer or Keyset, Transparent (clear)  
565HK Keyset, RED Housing for 2565  
Keyset, any plastic housing parts for  
old Bell System Data Phones. Thanks!  
Dave Friedman, (310) 837-3089 or  
[mommabirdie@netzero.net](mailto:mommabirdie@netzero.net)

Mark Lepire, #2864  
39 Colonial WY  
West Barnstable, MA 02668  
508-362-9438

**FREE**

FREE.....3 glossy photos of Chicago Telephone Co with model A cars.....Billards Old  
Telephone price guide, 131 pgs. Reprint,How to Build Rural Telephone Lines.....  
1932,34,35,36,&40 At&T telephone almanacs.....900 page book, Telephony, McMeen  
and Miller, 1922..... Telephone magazine, 37 pgs, 1937. You will need to pay \$10.80 for  
the flat rate shipping box.

**WANTED**

Dialtone generator, does not  
have to be precise, Bodine 48 volt  
dc interrupter motor with right angle  
drive, also electronic or mechanical  
interrupter for ring, busy and reorder  
tones. Call me at 315-785-9108 (EST) if  
not home leave a message I will call you  
back or email me at [rkish2@verizon.net](mailto:rkish2@verizon.net)  
. Thanks Bob Kish.

Jon Kolger No. 561  
6906 Meade Drive  
Colleyville, TX 76034  
(817)-329-5262 [jkolger@gte.net](mailto:jkolger@gte.net)

**WANTED**

Looking for unusual acoustic  
"string" telephones, particularly those  
with magneto-signaling and/or  
speaking/listening tubes. Also seeking  
primitive, homemade acoustic  
telephones, the stranger the better.

Wanted to buy acoustic  
telephone literature such as catalogs,  
flyers, instructions, etc... What do you  
have?

John Wiley #1116  
6642 E. Vanguard St.  
Mesa AZ. 85215  
480-924-7062

**For Sale**

W.E. 202 HC with repainted base \$85.00,  
W.E. KS-6486 card holder 10 3/4" X  
7 1/4" with glass \$32.00 , Illinois Bell  
Suburban directory binder 12" X 10 1/2 "  
with sleeve (green) \$30.00 Plus Shipping

**WANTED**

STILL LOOKING FOR A 325L LOCK  
AND KEY FOR WESTERN ELECTRIC  
PHONE AND TRANSMITTER CONE  
THAT GOES ON A SWEDISH JYDSK  
PHONE. THANKS FOR CHECKING.  
Bob Zechman #3185  
3529 Teakwood Lane  
Plano, Tx 75075  
972-596-8851  
[bz3bear@yahoo.com](mailto:bz3bear@yahoo.com)

Paul Simpson  
344 French Line Road  
RR4 Lanark, Ont  
K0G 1K0, Canada  
(613) 259-3429  
Cell (613) 298-3429  
[paulsimp@sympatico.ca](mailto:paulsimp@sympatico.ca)

**WANTED**

I'm looking for a round rubber  
base gasket and a black backup for an  
AE stick. The backup should have two  
interior metal tabs for attachment to the  
perch via a concealed bolt.

Jim Goodwin of St.  
Louis asked me to post the new  
address for his website. It is:  
<http://theantiquephones.com>  
Jim still has a large  
quantity of telephones for sale.

Doug Singley  
2364 Upper Dr.  
Pearl, MS 39208  
601-939-7657  
[douglassingley@comcast.net](mailto:douglassingley@comcast.net)

**FOR SALE**

No reasonable offer refused  
on the following:

Very nice Western Electric  
dial telephone, number 2 dial.

Early Western Electric  
picture frame front, cathedral top,  
terminal top receiver.

Double box, oak, Kellogg.  
Automatic Electric pay-  
phone, nice.

Another nice WE dial stick,  
#2 dial, nice number card holder.

Dial 202, E-1 handset.  
Nice candlestick telephone  
stand complete with the chair.

Another nice dial 202 and  
also a 102 with dial.

**British Candlestick Telephones**

**A**s a collector I am always interested in the history of the phones in my collection. This interest led me to look into the history of three British Candlestick Telephone's that I have. I thought all three were British Ericsson types but in my research I found out otherwise.

The British post office ran the telephone industry in Britain. Their phones are known as GPO phones. In checking found a few web sites that really opened my eye's to what is real and what is made up, what is a true collectible telephone and what is a fake. For instance, I had always been told that any candlestick phone from Britain that is chrome or nickle plated is a fake. Not so fast. In one of these web sites there is information saying otherwise, etc.

For those of you who may have an interest in this please take a look at the following two sites. You may be surprised at what you learn. [www.britishtelephones.com](http://www.britishtelephones.com) and [www.telephonesuk.co.uk/phones\\_pre1960.htm](http://www.telephonesuk.co.uk/phones_pre1960.htm).

I wish to thanks Remco Enthoven and Andrew Emmerson for some very helpful information. I hope you find this as interesting and helpful as I did.

...Mike Donovan, #2958

John Zachas, 3084  
5117 W. Montross Ave  
Chicago, IL 60641

**For Trade**

I have a nice metal toy telephone, Dooners book page 107 for trade. It takes two "D" batteries, but does not work too well. I would trade for a good old real phone such as a WE 354, any non-dial stick, etc. Please write me with your offer.

John Huckleby, 587  
2440 W. CR. 150 N.  
New Castle, IN 47362  
765-686-0189

[j.huckleby@comcast.net](mailto:j.huckleby@comcast.net)

**For Sale**

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***Editors note: First of all I would like to thank all candidates who chose to place their name up for an office. Secondly, I want the membership to know that all info following is as submitted by the candidate without changes or corrections from me, so I can not be charged with being partial.***

## ***Three candidates for President.... Vote for one***

Mike's Vintage Payphone was a column that I wrote for the newsletter for over a year. It will be back this Fall. I attend all the ATCA National shows and co-hosted the 2009 one in Valley Forge Pennsylvania. I have been board chairman since 2004. During that time we tackled a lot. Restarted annual audits, major changes to the way the club banks including opening a CD. Never done before monthly board meetings via a conference call with full attendance. Greatest of all we got our status changed to 501-c3, it saves us bundles on postage and got us some large donations. I'm passionate about the ATCA and would welcome your giving me the opportunity to continue serving as president.



***Mike Davis***

My name is Barry Huckleby and I have been attending shows since I was 7 years old. My father believed in taking his children to the shows, and I have been doing the same with mine. That is one way to instill collecting at a young age. We never had toy phones, we just played with real ones.

My collecting interest is varied in that I collect telephone signs, sticks, and wall phones. I also have several desk phones. I am also always looking for paper to share with my father. He is always looking for interesting stuff for the newsletter and much can be found in old mags and books.

I am presently the men's assistant basketball coach at Northwood University in Midland, MI. My wife Jennie is a first grade teacher at Freeland Elementary where our boys Jackson and Bryson go. Wilson is our third son.

My vision for ATCA is to do "whatever it takes" to increase membership. That will mean improving the educational part of our newsletter; making our club attractive to the internet followers; pushing for more regional shows so more members have a chance to get together; and to do what is best for ATCA and not push personal agendas.

***Barry Huckleby***



I started working in the telephone industry 30 years ago when interconnect companies first entered the Canadian market. I began collecting phones almost instantly thereafter. The pleasure I obtain in collecting is in the restoration of the phone. I collect any North American phone from the first 100 years and have over 100 in my collection.

My professional career started off as a PBX and 1A2 Key installation technician, specializing in the financial industry (banks and trading floors). In 1984 I moved into management where I have remained until this day. I have always worked in the Operations side of the industry and have held positions of Project Manager, Field Service Manager, Director of Operations and my current position of National Implementation Manager for voice, data, video and cabling. This industry has gone through drastic changes over the recent years and my energy has been put towards re-focusing companies that are failing to turn them around.

I have a passion for collecting and I believe this club possesses a wealth of information. We need to capture and share that knowledge, if we don't it will be lost and this pastime will dwindle and fade away.



***Craig Stanowski***

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## *Vice President Candidates*



***John Decker***

John Decker has lived in the Cleveland, OH area his entire life. He graduated from Lincoln Memorial University in TN with a BS in education and a Masters from Kent State in administration. He taught for eight years and then decided to help his family manage Decker Steel & Supply, a small steel service center, started by his grandfather. John has been President for twenty years.

John's interest in education never waned as he served on various school system committees and eventually was elected to the Parma Board of Education and served as President.

John's interest in telephones started in junior high as he started taking apart the home phones and made a switchboard from located parts. He convinced his father's friend into giving him a wooden Kellogg phone and a '60's WE keyset to investigate and connect. He later acquired other phones to restore before attending college.

John has been a member of ATCA and TCI since the early 1990's. His phone interests are mainly Western Electric 1940-1960's single line and key sets. He also has several WE totally restored and working cord boards and key switchboards. His restored collection includes all the early 500 colors, Princess and numerous "mushroom cap" sets, keysets and variations of those sets.

John also built a twenty-three rank pipe organ which he recently donated to the Western Reserve Theatre Organ Society for their benefit and sale. He has donated his time and talents for nearly 30 years to his Presbyterian Church chairing the Properties Committee and is now Business & Facilities Manager. He has sung in the church choir since high school. John & Elaine have two grown children, Amanda and Greg, both graduates with degrees in music education.



***Allen Rockefeller***

Hello to all of my fellow collectors & club members. I hope you'll consider me for the Vice-President position this year. Here's a little info about me: I've been a member of ATCA for over 10 years now. I got into phone collecting after my wife gave me an old phone to fix. The rest is history.

You've probably seen me one of the many shows I've attended over the years. I always try to make it to the National show and I've been to quite a few regional shows. You might snag a good deal on Ebay or you might receive a box of junk. If you go to a phone show, you'll get a good deal, actually pick up & inspect what you're buying & you'll even get info on how to restore it & wire it up if you want. How cool is that? There's a lot more to this club than the listserv & the newsletter.

My employment background for the past 25 years has been sales & marketing which I believe would be an asset to the club & board. We are in need of many new members & ways of increasing our presence out there. I'd like the chance to contribute my ideas & help keep this great hobby alive & well for many years to come.

***George is on the ballot as running for the Board.... he is on this page due to not enough space on page 8***

***George Minnich***

I am from Phila. PA and am 59 years old, retired from Verizon which was formerly Bell Atlantic and Bell of PA.

For almost ten years I was a frameman, lineman, trouble man, and cable splicer. I am also a Telephone Pioneer Life Member, having served on the Executive Board.

I have been collecting phones since the 70's and a member of ATCA since 1982. I have held the office of President, Vice President, and Board member. I was also Board Chairman for a couple of years. I have attended many spring and fall shows and made many good friends.

I am also a decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, where I served with the 101st Airborne Div. I am a life member of the V.F.W. Post #2.

I intend to work as hard as I can to help ATCA. Thank you.

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## *Vote for TWO for ATCA Board*



I have collected old stuff since I was 11 years old and am still going strong 55 years later. I started with stamps, moved to coins, and by the time I was in my early 20's, I was collecting telephones. I have been fortunate enough to assemble a small collection of rare and wonderful old phones from the pre-1900's. I joined ATCA around 1973 as member # 213.

I was born in a small rural Alabama town. Joined the US Marines in 1961 at age 17, spent 6 years as an Air Borne Navigator, mostly in C-130's at Cherry Point, NC & Iwakuni, Japan. Spent the next 33 years with the Federal Aviation Administration as an Air Traffic Controller, Supervisor, and ended my career in as the Hub Manager for Air Traffic Control in North Carolina & South Carolina.

If elected as a Board member, I will do my best to help preserve the history of our organization and at the same time help move us towards the future. I have always provided help, knowledge, research and advice to anyone that has asked in the restoration and documentation of their phones. I believe knowledge is power and should be shared freely with all.

### *Tom Adams*



*John  
Infurna*

I have been a member of the ATCA since 1978. I have collected and worked on phones since I was 12 years old. I remember that I needed a bell for my phone and I was desperate to have one, so I sawed a brass doorknob in half with my Dad's hacksaw. Took about 2 hours, But I had something kinda like a bell. I am an innovative thinker, and would like to apply that to the ATCA and it's Future challenges, Because The times' are a Changin', and we need to keep up with them. Here's to onward and upward with our Organization! Thank you.

My mom says that from the time I could crawl I was playing with phones. As a teenager, I dug through the trash at the local CO. Then, I started installing "illegal" phones for friends. Tinkering with phones sparked an interest in electronics and put me on the road to engineering.

I've worked for ITT Telecom and Comdial on digital telecommunication equipment. Today I'm a Systems Engineering Manager for Northrop Grumman. My team is responsible navigation systems for the Navy.

I've served on ATCA's board as vice president and twice as president. To me, ATCA is more than a bunch of phone enthusiasts; it is a collective body of knowledge. Technology is evolving exponentially, the challenge we face, is to preserve telecommunications history; it rests in our hands – now more than ever. I ask for your vote and active participation in ATCA.

*Jay Neale*



*Bennett  
Young*

I am Bennett H. Young, a retired Environmental Engineer and also a retired Army Reserves Chemical Officer. I live in the foothills of Western Colorado and I have several hobbies that keep me out of the bars. I do collect telephones, mainly Western Electric, my main interest is pre 1958 Western Electric Telephones, but I have 500's also. I also am active with antique cars and belong to the local chapter of the Veteran Motor Car Club of America, incoming President. I very much enjoy telephone collecting, although I do not have any collector friends in Western Colorado, I do not know of any. There are several active collectors in eastern Colorado, and of course Dave Roberts and Vern Potter in Utah. I share my hobbies and keep an active interest in telephones and antique cars, as a sideline I professionally restore Model A Ahooga Horns. I tried my luck at antique 202's 302's and dial candlesticks, sold a few a few years back, but I find I am way too slow in getting those restored, so I stick with horns. Additionally I am a member of the VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) and the American Legion and very active with the Lions Club, I have been club President the past two years. I have many balls to juggle at once, but seem to do pretty well at that, an idle mind is a waste. I have three sons, eight grand children and a single person.