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This all original Blake on a # 10 changed hands at Louisville.

East Coast Telephone Show

November 4&5, 2005

Crown Plaza Hotel 1-800-741-2211

One Bright Meadow Blvd.

Enfield, CT 06082

Only \$5

**Registration
Fee**

Rooms: \$75 before October 7

Friday the 4th: 6 PM to 11 PM

Saturday the 5th: 8 AM to 2 PM

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Bill Provencher 802-476-7189

821 N. Main St.

Barre, VT 05641

NORTH OF THE BORDER SHOW

Saturday, September 24th, 2005

8:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Military Communications and Electronics Museum
95 Craftsman Blvd, (Highway #2 East of Highway #15)
Kingston, Ontario.

Display and Sale Tables

\$20 Canadian or \$16 USD for initial table

\$10 Canadian or \$8 USD for each additional table.

Checks payable to Technosave Inc.

Or you may register on-line at:

http://www.oldphonestore.ca/north_of_the_border.asp

Setup time begins at 7:00 AM.

Awards will be presented for best displays.

Lunch will be served to show exhibitors.

Contact: Don Woodbury

Email: don@wirelessexpress.ca

Send all ads to: ATCA, PO Box 910, New Castle, IN 47362 OR editor@atcaonline.com OR j.hucceby@insightbb.com

Signs of the Past...



I had a blast at Louisville. Just to let you know that on the way back from the show, airport security opened my checked bag to see what great signs I brought back. They did a better job of repacking them than I had done. Keep up the good work guys and gals as it is worth it to keep the skies safe.

The second item I wanted to talk about is “*what is it worth?*” We all know that what a sign is worth is not fixed. What a sign is worth to a collector of signs may not be the same as to someone who just has a few. Then there is always

the ebay price which sometimes can be way above or below what I think a sign is worth. The best anyone can do is to give a range of prices for a sign. The best bet is always to buy what you like and remember that whatever the price, you do not find good signs every day. Lastly, here is a great generic 18 by 8 flange *Independent Pay Station* sign. This generic rwb independent sign seems to be harder to get. This sign could have been used by any independent company that did not have their own signs. Happy Hunting, Mark Redmond #875 215-482-4464 curhistpub@aol.com



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(change number from 4079)
Peachtree City, GA

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P.O. Box 237
Carrencro, LA 70509

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P.O. Box 4000
Manchester, KY 40962

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12827 West 78th Circle
Arvada, CO 80005
303 424-4299

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15 Sheridan Square #4G
New York, NY 10024

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718-934-2888

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3 Enderby St
Mawson
Australian Capital Territory
2607
Australia

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727 Poplar Lane
Jasper, IN 47546
812-482-5224

Harold E. Stafford, No. 4210
826 Como Ave
St. Paul, MN 55103
651-221-0112

ABILENE, KS
2006 Spring Show
March 31 & April 1

KEN CHASE #2633
P.O. Box 1745\
Wolfeboro, NH 03894
(603) 569-5808
Best to call after 4:30

FOR SALE

Bell system manuals: Station specialties Vol 1 & 2, dated 1980. First covers all Touch A Matic sets. Second covers type 3 speakers, 4A and conference sets, as well as other stuff. Both in good condition \$40.00. Station service manuals: Vol 1 & Vol 2, dated 1982 volume 1 covers residential telephone sets, with conversions for 1A2 use. Vol 2 covers outside plant wiring, cable drops, grounding etc \$35.00. Bridging clips, for 66 blocks. packs of 25 for \$2.00. Beige WE 2851, 6 button wall set, NOS \$45.00. P6D57 4CR, chrome top card holder for three slot pay phone, NOS \$20.00, Most likely an AE. Perfect condition. SE 554 signal buttons, (2) NOS (1) used but nice condition, take all for \$6.00. NOS ITT Ash 6' hardwire handset cord, \$3.00. Hard wire, cord in black 15' \$5.00. 51A lamps, all tested, pack of 10 \$5.00. ALL PLUS SHIPPING..

MIKE DAVIS #2022
30 Ring Lane
Levittown, NY 11756-2623
Phone (516) 735-9765
Email mvitel@verizon

Web site, www.geocities.com/mikesvintagetelephone

WANTED

Information and printed data on the phone pictured. It was referred to as a "patio phone" also "Olympian". It was developed by Michigan Bell. I have no other information on it. 2 (double) coil relays for 3 slot payphones. Metal plate from the top of early 3 slot payphones with the model or type number on them. WE type 85 Fiddleback Old payphones and parts. Gray 50A pay phone, it is an early 3 slot payphone with no dial and brass name plate above the vault door. 5 cent coin collectors and parts, anything unusual! Western Electric touch tone 3 slot payphones.

MARY KNAPPEN
Call 608 582 4124 for Catalog and orders.
Website: www.phonecoinc.com for secure on-line orders

FOR SALE

Last call prior to scraping. KTU stuff such as NE 223A, \$5.00 each. Take 10 for \$25.00 as found. 608 582 2263 For all your telephone repairs, contact Phoneco for cords, jacks, networks, capsules, etc. Just ask, we may have it. We also do repairs, wiring, polishing, and painting. We are a Novus Polish distributor. We have Paypal.

JOHN DRESSER
22584 Veronica Dr.
Salinas, Calif 93908
831-484-1961
fjdress@pacbell.net

WANTED:

Glass front top boxes. Early Western Electric dial set with large ring and 50-100 holes. Candle stick or desk set pin dialer. Shaped fiddle back sets.

ART BOPP (3844)
ambp52@optonline.net
516-579-7920

WANTED:

Marked North Receiver. Will trade well or pay cash. WE 302 internal parts marked "I 37" Marked "Solid" receiver WE hard rubber receiver

JON KOLGER #561
6906 Meade Drive
Colleyville, TX 76034
(817)-329-5262
jkolger@gte.net

WANTED

Always seeking quality vintage COLORED telephones from all manufacturers, particularly Automatic Electric Monophones, round or square base, desk or wall sets. COLORED Western Electric 302 variants such as those with the 2-line switch or the ringer cut-off switch on the left front corner. I'm especially looking for a Rose 302 with a ringer cut-off switch. Blue 302 with blue plungers dated 1941 or earlier. New Old Stock Western Electric COLORED cloth coiled cords still on their wooden dowels. Blue North Electric Desk set, or any COLORED North Electric wall sets. Blue Stromberg Carlson 1543 as pictured on page 58 of Dooner's Blue book. COLORED cradlephones from other manufacturers such as Stromberg-Carlson oval base, Leich, Connecticut, Kellogg Masterphone and Redbar, as well as interesting, vintage COLORED foreign telephones. Vintage COLORED cradlephone literature such as catalogs, color charts and samples, etc... COLORED dial blanks for vintage Automatic Electric Monophones such as type 40, 50, etc. Does anyone have a mahogany dial blank available? Matte gold plated trim in good condition for vintage AE Monophones. Also always looking for unusual acoustic "string" telephones, particularly those with magneto signaling and/or speaking/listening tubes. Primitive, homemade sets also sought. The stranger the better. Acoustic telephone literature such as catalogs, flyers, instructions, etc... THANKS!

NORMAN MULVEY
310 Thorntree Lane
Canton, GA 30115
770 844-6277 normstele@aol.com

WANTED

1 Porcelain holder for glass batteries - holds the carbon rod 2 W/E Oak top box backboard 6' BP type 10"x 6 1/2" 3 Kellogg C/S contact pile up

FOR TRADE

1 top boxes, mags, & ringers 2 Candle stick & wall phone directory over Mouthpiece 3 Twin fone attachment 4 W/E 02 (D175487) (handle D172488) F-1 phone is for humid 5 weather N.O.S. 6 Various receivers, transmitters, & switchhooks 7 W/E type 22 drop switch hook 8 W/E walnut Blake 3 box repo Blake 9 Long pole shell & cup or long pole magnet 10 Solid Pony receiver external binding post for a W/E oak top box backboard, 6 binding post type size 10" x 6 1/2"

FOR SALE OR TRADE

1 Gray no 14 C/S collector original feet, coin draw keys, good paint, nickel handle & no back lock \$375

STEVE HILSZ
PO Box 429
Salome, AZ 85348
928-859-3595
jyds1@tds.net

FOR SALE

Lots of E-1 replacement parts available, except mouthpieces. Free list or go to <http://www.phonesurplus.com/e1parts.html> Good replacement HA-1 elements for F-1 handsets, \$2.50 each, good replacement F-1 transmitter elements \$1.50 each. All brands of dials repaired \$6 each plus major parts. Shipping extra.

RUSS COWELL #3065
105 Woodmere Drive
Williamsburg VA 23185
email: russ54@widomaked.com

WANTED

Black, WECO, hard wired sets in the following styles: 1554, 2500 and 500Y (this is the old motel phone with the message waiting light above the #4 on the dial.) Will pay nice dollars for nice sets. No chips, cracks or breaks, please. Thanks.

ANDREW CHUPELA #3212
33 Sine Rd.
Edison, NJ 08817
D/732-321-1943
N/732-986-2637
AMVTCHUP@AOL.COM

FOR SALE:

Western Electric #10 Candlestick Telephone. New nickel. Original parts. 229 transmitter. pony receiver. repro cords. Working condition. \$2,900.00.

RICHARD ROSE #1920
2636 Suzanne Circle
White Bear Township, MN 55110
651-429-9322
www.ericofon.com
richard@pressenter.com

FOR SALE

I just got in a batch of custom made reproduction Ericofon base gaskets. These are a perfect fit and look great. I'm offering these up on a one time sale for club members for \$3.00 for one, and if you want more, include \$2.50 for each additional gasket. These prices include shipping. After this sale, they will be back to the regular price of \$5 or less (depending on quantity). I also have a lot of other Ericofon repair parts available, let me know your needs.

WANTED

I'm also looking for Ericofons, dead or alive, parts or complete.

RON CHRISTIANSON #822
P O Box 43
Cave Junction OR 97523
541.592.4123
ron@museumphones.com
<http://www.museumphones.com>

WANTED:

I am looking to purchase several floor standing "Drop Type" switchboards. Any brand will do. Switchboards must be complete and in displayable condition. They do not need to work. They will need to be shipped to South Carolina.

TOREY MALATIA ATCA#3737
7318 S. South Shore Drive
Chicago, IL 60649
773-768-0523 (h)
312-948-4612 (w)
tmalatia@chicagopublicradio.org

WANTED

Receiver Cap for Burns OST Pony--Will Trade or Pay Cash or Combo Handset for Dukane Wall Phone Mounting Ring to Adapt a 2.5 inch AE Mercedes dial to fit a standard 3 inch opening

MARK TREUTELAAR
414-744-1255
email: emberridge@yahoo.com

WANTED

Automatic Electric 1A telephones Also looking for a AE highboy 1A I need a Western Electric 553 Hotel phone and am looking to buy a Western Electric 653 Hotel phone also

DAVID KUNS #4030
 P.O. Box 1852
 Chino Valley, AZ. 86323
 928-636-1588
 koonzee@commspeed.net

WANTED

- Original cord for WE 179W watchcase receiver
- Coil & nickel retaining clip for SC oilcan. Three leg bottom cover mount for SC oilcan that mounts inside base to bottom of shaft. Cast SC oilcan base.
- Original half-moon shaped terminal strip & grommet for WE #10. Keystone receiver. Keystone number card holder-transmitter mount. Original green silk WE OST receiver cord. Number card holder for WE bulldog trans.

JERRY MORAN, NO. 4093
 30 Kingwood Rd.
 Oakland, CA 94619
 Tel: (510) 530-9342
 E-Mail: nmi@flash.net
 Website: http://www.nmitraining.com

FOR SALE

TELECOM 101 VIDEO In Four Parts:

- A twenty-five minute narrated tour through the Roseville Telephone Museum, one of the finest Telco museums in the country!
- A thirty-five minute tour through the local loop. Starting in the power room of a central office, you see: the ESS switch, mainframe, cable vault, manhole, cross connect box, aerial and buried terminals, and the denmark. We go into a Controlled Environment Vault and see a remote switch and a DSLAM *DSL Access Multiplexer). We visit some wireless sites and the mobile switching office (MSO) including a site camouflaged as a pine tree.
- A nine-minute video from Corning on the manufacture and use of fiber. On a CD.
- A humorous look at an experimental "pole farm." A company at a secret location is growing utility poles that are ready to use as soon as harvested. They grow without leaves, bark or branches! Seven minutes.

Normally - \$79.95 plus \$6.95 S & H
 ATCA Members - **\$40.00 plus S & H**

WALLY TUBBS
 4716 Grassridge Rd
 Lincoln, Nebraska 68512
 dt44829@alltel.net

FOR SALE

The Frank H. Woods Telephone Pioneer Museum in Lincoln Nebraska is offering a Free museum Hat, for a tax deductible donation to our museum of \$18 (shipping included) These hats are one size fits all, and come in Khaki/denim, Khaki/Raspberry, Yellow, Lt Blue, Dark Blue, and Gray/Black. These hats have embroidered on the front a Strowger Candlestick, and our museum name. If you would like to order one, please send a check to Wally Tubbs, President, Frank H. Woods Telephone Pioneers Museum, 4716 Grassridge Rd, Lincoln, Nebraska 68512 Please e-mail me and let me know which hat you wish to purchase at dt44829@alltel.net so I can get them on order.

WALTER SMITH
 231 W. Market St
 Leesburg, Va 20176-2708
 phone 703-771-8650
 email drdt@Bellatlantic.net

WANTED

WECo model 332 or 334, this is the 302 type phone with amplified hearing controlled by turning the switch hook plunger. If you are the person who previously contacted me then please contact me again. Anyone else got one for sale?

MARY KNAPPEN
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 Website: www.phonecoinc.com for secure on-line orders

FOR SALE

We still have all the books and publications that are in our catalog on pages 36 and 37, except the *Old Time Technology* by Ralph Meyer, which should be available before the end of the year. We also have: Larry Wolfe's book on *Desk Telephones of the Bell System* for \$39.00 *Novelty Phones* \$24.95 *Once Upon a Telephone* \$26.00 *Telephone Tales from the Museum of Independent Telephone* \$5.00 *100 Years of the Telephone 1876-1976 (Australian & European phones)* \$12.00 *Everything Happened Around the Switchboard (Michael Hathaway)* \$13.95 *Gray Paystations booklet* \$3.00 *Telephone Collecting, Seven Decades* \$24.95 *Telephone Antiques to Modern* \$29.95 *How to Buy, Install, & Maintain Your Own Telephone Equipment* \$3.00 *Western Electric pamphlet* \$3.00 *Old Telephones* by Emerson \$8.00 *100 years of Bell Telephones book* \$29.95 *Telephone Repair* Illustrated by Stephen J. Bigelow (about electronic circuitry) \$17.95 *Price Guide book* (1980) by Ron Knappen \$20.00 *Not Quite Everything Known about Collecting Vintage Telephone* \$6.25 *Painless Telephone Wiring (using mini networks)* \$12.00 *Wiring Telephones to Ringer Box Subsets* \$12.00 Reprint of the *Wiring Diagrams of W.E. Co. Station Equipment* \$12.00 *American Bell Telephone Instrument Schematics* \$21.00 *Vintage Telephones of the World (Telephone Bible of the UK)* \$60.00 *Collecting the Ericophone* \$24.95 *Telephone Boxes (European Kiosks)* \$8.95 *Just Old Telephone Men* \$9.95 *The Gray Matter the Forgotten Story* \$18.95 *Old Telephony Magazines* \$1.50-\$10.00 I'd like to add the Pay Phone History here, but it isn't quite ready for printing. Proofing and the index is being finalized, so it is getting closer.



SHERRY EINERSON
 302 W. Clarence St.
 Dodgeville, WI 53533-1806
 608-930-2035

FOR SALE

#505 WE cordless PBX switchboard. Has black WE 22A 3 bar magneto \$200. WE Switchboard, #551? Cords, plugs and glass knobs intact. \$1100. Pickup in Wisconsin.

ED SELLBERG #2832
 Erica Telephones
 2918 Neals Ln
 Vancouver, WA 98661
 360-695-0997

WANTED

Polarity Guards and Black Receiver cords for automatic electric #80 telephones.

JAMES A. GOODWIN #554
 1438 Fawnvalley Ct.
 St. Louis, MO 63131
 Ph. 314-822-8138

WANTED

Connecticut name tag.



RON FRIZZELL #273
 5526 Pacific Street
 Omaha, Nebraska 68106-1639

FOR SALE

Antique Telephone Table with Matching Chair (see photo) \$175.00 Reproduction W.E. Style Long Pole Receiver Shell & Cap \$50.00 Stromberg-Carlson Non-Dial Candlestick Telephone (as shown on telephone table) in Excellent Condition and complete with Wooden Ringer Box \$275.00. All items plus shipping & packing material.

MARK LEPIRE # 2864
39 Colonial Way
West Barnstable, MASS
508-362-9438

FOR SALE

□ Barn Find, WE non-dial stick, Bulldog ABT, finish worn, 144 rec \$75 □ WE non-dial stick, 323 Trans, *MP finish worn, 144 rec \$100 □ WE dial stick 337 Trans, #MP, 20B Perch, ABT, #4 dial, finish worn, all of the above phones have good cords \$250 □ WE Imperiol 202, silver, correct 5J dial, painted F1 Handset, perfect cloth coil cord \$150 □ Bright Orange ITT desk set, good cords \$20 □ 3 never used WE Trimline Rotary hard wired wall phones. Green, red, yellow in the original boxes with original cords sealed in plastic \$75.

CHRIS MATTINGLY # 2335

PO Box 2263
Florissant, MO 63032
314-921-6877 (When tone starts, enter 31)

WANTED

□ W.E. E4A/205 telephone set has keys marked 1, 2, 3, H, L □ W.E. 554-J subset has terminals marked YL2, RR, YY, W, BB, BL □ W.E. 6009-D1 Key box has keys marked 1, 2, 3, H, L □ W.E. 750 PBX □ Any unusual dial central office or PBX equipment or information on the whereabouts of equipment □ Prints/diagrams on the following: North Electric type 2 PBX federal 25C PBX

DAVID MARTIN #278
6016 Sheaff Lane
Ft. Washington, PA 19034
215-628-9490

FOR SALE

□ New England porcelain telephone sign 11" x 11" flat, one side, 1921 Bell logo, upper left mounting hole chip 1 1/2", and upper right mounting hole chip 1/2" \$210 □ American Telecommunications Products, Snoopy and Woodstock dial type with lamp attachment, or Winnie the Pooh touch tone, both working \$85 each or the pair for \$150 □ Oak Western Electric 293A subset box with cow bells, good decal on the door, 9" x 6 1/2", with a screw latch on the door \$100 □ Oak Western Electric 297A subset box, embossed 1890-1903, 10 1/4" x 6 1/2", with a key latch on the door, for a two line phone or system \$90 □ Unembossed glass telephone battery jars, complete with their insides \$50 each □ Oak Western Electric 349E wall 12 button interphone, 10" x 7", without the receiver and transmitter, designations include castle, major and sick room \$50 □ Metal (temporarily out of service) sign. This goes on top of a 3 slot pay phone, and covers the coin slots. KS7991 On the back is a picture of a separate receiver phone with instructions \$50. □ Connecticut Telephone and Electric Metal dial desk phone, #TP6A, Dooners Antiques to modern page 138 bottom \$85, needs to be repainted □ Oak Viaduct paddle phone, with stationary hook on the edge of the backboard, there are some extra holes on the backboard around the transmitter arm which probably means that it was a three box phone earlier \$850 □ Western Electric telegraph sounder in a black wood resonator box with a decal, attached to a triple white adjustable arm \$175 □ Western Electric round 260 CD relay, with 5 2" bolts with nuts and washers, unused, probably for a panel mount, with a 1 1/2" round glass window, the unit is 3 1/4" round and 3 1/2" deep not measuring the bolts \$40 □ Western Electric telegraph pegboard 9" square with two back straps, 2 of the terminals have been replaced, three double rows of holes, with 5 pegs \$120.

JOHN WILEY #1116
6642 E. Vanguard St.
Mesa, AZ 85215
Tel 480-924-7062

FOR SALE

□ 13" x 20" W.E. Central Office tulip horn \$150 □ 3512W Connecticut wooden 8 button intercom (1905) \$100 □ 317-N Wall phone (wood) 1907 \$395 □ 20-SC Candlestick \$200 □ 20-T Candlestick (nickel) \$225 □ 533-A Metal wall phone (ND) \$95 □ 653 Metal wall phone (dial) \$100 □ 202 HC dial \$100 □ 202 HC (ND) E-1 Handle \$100 □ 44 dial mount #6 dial \$50 □ 44 Dial mount #6 dial \$30 □ 211 HH dial Space saver \$75 □ 440 HC dial 4-key set \$100 □ 202 HC dial (green) with sub set (1955) (Continental set) \$250 □ Test set Black dial Lineman's test set #1011 \$65 □ Test set Orange dial Lineman's test set #1014-B \$65 □ Test set Brown TT Lineman's test set #7900-TB Ameritech \$100 □ 634 BA Sub set \$75 □ 684 A Sub set \$100 □ 6017-E Key box \$20 □ OGT Designation Charts Form #2896 \$5 □ DMT-300 Summary Instruction Manual \$5 □ 48v Test lamp Clamp-on \$25 □ LME-35 Ericsson desk set with dial \$95 □ R.H. Knappen's Old Telephone Scrapbook 400 pages \$25 □ R.H. Knappen's Old Telephone Scrapbook Vol. Two 400 pages \$25 □ R.H. Knappen's Old Telephone Price Guide 130 pages \$15 □ N.T. Fiber System User Guide 3 Ring Notebook \$10 □ 9" x 7" 3

Ring Notebook \$5 □ Phoenix #5575 T-1 Test Set Flip Chart 10 Pages \$5 □ Ill. Bell Hinsdale Tirks Training 3 Ring Book \$10 □ G-1 Lt. Beige Handset (Box Only) \$4 □ AT&T D-5 Digital Terminal System Book 31 Pages \$5 □ KS-6486 Metal phone book card-holder 10 1/2" x 7 1/4" \$25 □ 176-A MDF wood block (used with early 1950 answering service) \$10 □ Illinois Bell South Suburban Directory binder with sleeve \$30 □ 285-A Sub set Wooden Pat'd May 3, 1892 - 1907 6 1/2 x 9 x 4 \$50 □ 63 Wooden Bell box 6 x 5 1/4 x 6 1/2 \$20 □ Wooden Bell box 7 x 6 x 4 1/2 \$20 □ ED-90470-70-61 Wooden alarm box lamp and switch 3 x 6 1/2 x 4 1/2 \$20 □ Phone booth directory light fixture \$100 □ Phone directory \$2 □ Stamp pad (red) Bell System \$20 □ 1920 Crookston Minn. Toll #8 switchboard pictures \$10 each □ Telenews magazines \$3 each □ Illinois Bell Management Development Center 3 ring notebook \$15 □ Bell System book \$3 □ Underground cable sign metal \$5 □ Magazine pictures \$5 each □ Telephone truck pictures \$2 each □ Metal W.E. tags \$5 □ 101M W.E. Glass tube (box only) \$5 □ T26 Operator breast plate (NOS) \$20 □ Illinois history book \$3 □ Bell telephone magazine \$3 □ Telephone directory covers \$1 each □ Service pins \$10 each □ 309 & 310 plugs \$5 each □ 310 jacks (new & used) \$5 each □ W.E. 42A block (NOS) \$5 □ KS-6320 orange stick \$2 □ Belt clip \$2 □ 66B4-3 punch on block (NOS) \$5 □ H1A receiver date 2-14-52 w/box \$5 □ Ace staple remover \$2.

Bonnechere Museum (Eganville, Ontario, Canada) opens 2005 with three new exhibits

Eganville - It's no secret that there's always something "old" in most museums but the Bonnechere Museum has something new for the 2005 season by way of three exciting new exhibits.

Scheduled to open this weekend for the 2005 season, the museum has added three new main floor exhibits featuring the J.R. Booth Railway (later known as the Canadian National Railway), a Davis Telephone Company display and a wild plant display.

The railway exhibit was put together by Algonquin College student Alex Lozano. According to museum curator Shelley McLeod, it is an impressive display depicting the history of Ottawa, Arnprior, Parry Sound Railway (OAPS) built by lumber magnate J.R. Booth. One of the few existing stations is the one located just outside of Eganville on Highway 512. There are also some artifacts on display from the Canadian Pacific Railway line, which ran through the middle of Eganville on the south bank of the Bonnechere.

The majority of the Booth line artifacts have been donated by Andrew Kyle, a summer resident of Bonnechere Valley. Many others have been donated by local railway buffs and the museum is still looking for more. If you have any artifacts or stories that you are willing to share, drop by the museum.

The Davis Telephone Company display is a work in progress. The majority will be ready for the May 21 opening including wall phones, a switchboard and many other interesting items from the Sheldon Davis collection.

The museum will also feature a display of illustrations of local wild plants. Ms. McLeod urges everyone to watch for the museum's calendar of events which includes a walk-out to observe the plants, many in bloom, in nearby growth areas.

The museum is also conducting its annual fundraising lottery with 15 chances on \$10,000. Tickets are selling well and the first drawing for \$1,000 goes on July 31. The funds raised through the draw help pay operating expenses and the 13:1 odds offered in this lottery make it a very attractive ticket.

"When you hear the question, 'Who won the money this week?' maybe you will be able to say with delight, 'I did,'" noted Ms. McLeod.

The Bonnechere Museum is located at the traffic light in Eganville at the corner of Highway 41 and 60. It is open from Victoria Day weekend to Labour Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. from Tuesday to Saturday and on holiday Mondays. On Sunday hours are 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. For more information on the Bonnechere Museum call 628-1000 or 628-3240.

A Second Look at Louisville

Keith Letsche's Rare Phelps Transmitter





