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***ATCA National Show Shipshewana, Indiana
August 1 and August 2, 2014***

***Farmstead Inn
370 S Van Buren St
Shipshewana, IN 46565
(260) 768-4595***

In the Heart of Amish Country

AGENDA

I have often said that the main job of the show host is to have a nice location for the collectors. It is the collectors who make the show. Looking at the early reservations both at the hotel and for set-ups, this will be a fine show. The local attractions of numerous antique shops and malls along with the countless Amish craft and furniture shops help make this show a real destination for shoppers.

One also has to just give up and take for granted the weight gain from the many Amish style restaurants.

In the July newsletter I will list several of the antique shops and the major places to eat.

If you need a boatload of reproduction telephone parts, email or call Ron and Mary so they can have a box full for you. Also remember that the Shipshewana Antique Market is having its fall show beginning on Friday the first and ending on Saturday evening the second. This antique show is advertised to hundreds of thousands who will be visiting Shipshewana during the summer and we will benefit from the flow.

Friday, August 1..... You may begin set up at **noon**. Only those setting up or unloading are permitted in the room. As soon as set up is completed, you must exit the room. No selling or trading during this early set up.... **NO** exceptions. We will have two Amish boys to carry in your boxes or phones. We are paying them a salary to be there but you are allowed to tip.

Friday, August 1..... Early set up will end at **5 PM**

Friday, August 1..... Catered meal at **6 PM**

Friday, August 1..... **7:18 PM** show opens

Friday, August 1..... Show closes at **9:58 PM**

Saturday, August 2..... Show opens at **8 AM**.... donuts and coffee provided

Saturday, August 2..... Club Auction at **1:00 PM**

Saturday, August 2, Show closes around **3 PM**Expect business from the outside market all day on Friday....

Even though we will benefit from the vast advertising the Shipshewana Antique Market does for its show, I will still be advertising or telephone show in the Tri-State area. If you have not sent in your registration yet, please do so now. We would also advise to register at the hotel as rooms will get tight. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Show.

Lynn G Graves #372
5700 Xenon Ct.
Arvada, CO 80002-1314
303-431-1615
lggraves57@msn.com

Wanted

Broken damaged mouthpieces and receiver caps

I am looking to purchase damaged, chipped and cracked early telephone mouthpieces, bi-polar receivers and caps. I can only use them if the threads are still good. If the threads are functional I will pay one dollar each plus shipping or you send me 4 mouthpieces and I will send you back one repaired.

John Huckeby #587
2440 W. CR. 150 N.
New Castle, IN 47362
765-686-0189
j.huckeby@comcast.net

Wanted

Your incomplete or damaged candlestick telephones.

Wanted: Burl wood top boxes.
Top boxes with switch hook on the front door.

Post & Co. Top box.
Blake transmitter middle boxes.

Thank you,
John Dresser
ATCA # 406
fjdress@pacbell.net
831-484-1961 H
22584 Veronica Dr.
Salinas, Calif 93908

For trade

I have three Western Electric 500 sets in three of the discontinued colors - oxford gray, mahogany brown and Mediterranean blue - to trade for 8" "hubcap" signs that I don't have.

Chuck Hensley
510-339-1758
cihensley@aol.com

Wanted

Telephone receivers
made of

WOOD
Email

Normstele@aol.com

Jon Kolger No. 561
6906 Meade Drive
Colleyville, TX 76034
(817)-329-5262
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.

Also wanting to buy acoustic telephone literature, such as catalogs, flyers, instructions, etc...

What do you have?

Still looking for a BLUE North Electric 7H6 Galion desk (or wall) telephone.

Still looking for a BLUE Western Electric 302 with BLUE plungers dated 1941 or earlier.

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

FOR SALE

1. Paperweight mirror, 3 1/2" round. The Chesapeake & Potomac Tel. Co. of Balto. City The telephone way is the way of today \$105

2. Oval pocket mirror, The Cincinnati and Suburban Bell Telephone Co. Have you a telephone? Colorful picture of a lady talking on a nicely plated non dial stick with a terminal receiver \$95

3. 1 3/4" round picture badge. Conn. Telephone and Electric Meriden, #1637 \$75

4. 1 3/8" round fob w/o strap, Telephone Pioneers of America #174465 \$55

5. Eight sided fob w/o strap. Telephone Independent Pioneer Association of U.S. \$75

Michael Donovan #2958
letaphnman@yahoo.com
520-625-1608 Hm
520-419-1361 Cell

For Sale

1. Nice nickle plated Ericsson dial stick. Possibly used in the Canadian maritimes. \$100.00
2. Black GPO non dial stick with later bakelite transmitter and rattlesnake cords. \$100.00
3. Black ear trumpet in near mint condition. \$75.00
4. AE 40 black dial set. No cracks in case. \$40.00
5. Western Electric non dial black 354 wall set. Case and handset like new. Original black rubber straight cord. Cord has a crack in the outer cover. \$40.00
6. Repro 5 cent courtesy coin box for candlestick. No key. \$50.00.
7. Western Electric 202, dial type. Bottom felt and one cord replaced. Nice E-1 handset. \$85.00
8. Kellogg manual stick. All black. Decent cords. \$100.00
9. Kellogg manual stick with nickled transmitter, cup, perch, and hook. Decent cords. \$125.00
10. S.H. Couch manual stick, marked transmitter, all black, no bottom plate. Top of perch holed. May have been a lamp at one time. No cords. Good receiver. \$100.00
11. S.H Couch four button manual stick, all black \$125.00
12. Select-o-phone stick. New nickle on hook, cup, and transmitter. Good dial. Internals not wired. No receiver. No cords. \$125.00
13. DeVeau one button manual stick. Painted old silver. Marked transmitter plate. H cord only. \$150.00
14. Western Electric manual stick, perch marked 20B. Transmitter 229W. Transmitter and cup nickled. Outside transmitter wire. M cord only. With receiver. \$125.00
15. Western Electric manual stick, perch marked 20BE. Transmitter 329. Transmitter and cup nickled. H cord only. With receiver. \$125.00
16. Western Electric manual parts stick. Completely brassed out. 20B perch with 329 transmitter. The parts are all there waiting to be finished. No receiver or cords. Good mouthpiece. \$100.00

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For Sale, continued from page 2

- 17. Automatic Electrip stairstep dial stick. Black with later bulldog type transmitter. Nickled finger wheel. No cords. Good receiver. \$125.00
- 18. Nickle transmitter cup marked Property of The American Bell Telephone Company. With set screw. Nickle is worn. \$15.00
- 19. Early brass Western Electric 20B perch. Painted black. \$15.00
- 20. Western Electric pony receiver. Early type 112. Needs repair work on shell. Top cap clearly marked Western Electric Company 70. \$100.00
- 21. Western Electric pony receiver type 122 painted black years ago. Has a slight age crack and a small chip. \$125.00
- 22. Large one sided porcelain building sign. Six feet long by 20 inches high. Early bell on logo. It says Telephone along the front and on the right it says Bell System on the bell. On top around the bell it says The Mountain States Tel. Tel Co. Under the bell it says American Telephone and Telegraph Company. You can find it on page 67 of Bob Alexanders sign book. \$275.00. Will consider trades and offers.
- 23. Repro long pole receiver shell. No internals. Shows very nice. \$50.00

All plus shipping and insurance if you want it

WANTED

I'm looking for these W.E. items: AUTOVON Card Dialer cards, RED 680A Speakerphone transmitter, G4 handset with shoulder-rest in pink, gray, blue or turquoise, any Card Dialer or keyset in pink, 259B KTU. Thanks! David Friedman, (310) 837-3089 or mommabirdie@netzero.net

FOR SALE

Package of 20 NOS Western Electric Card Dialer cards. Will work in all standard rotary and Touchtone Card Dialers. Not too many left, so get 'em while you can! \$24.99, which includes shipping to any U.S. address. David Friedman, (310) 837-3089 or mommabirdie@netzero.net

For Sale

Ericafone package as in last newsletter \$41,000 (\$1,000 less) includes 7000 NOS cases/housings, 23,000 caps and more. Any offers, regardless of how small invited.

Cords, cordage in 7 different colors. Repro and old parts, History books and memorabilia.

Over 85 different styles, 1892-1984. Payphones, woodwalls, candlesticks, kits, bakelite, Danish Art deco, signs, plus 10 reproductions Over 45 different character phones, like 57 Chevy, Mickey mouse, Snoopy, Garfields, etc.

Parts, cordage, refurbishing, wiring, old Chicago telephone directories,

400 pg Payphone History, (shows 810 signs), other telephone history publications.

Free catalog, Entire business--100% complete inventory since 1972 accumulation, records, contacts, everything to do w/telephones, (follow up, assistance). Owners declare non-compete & seek retirement status.

Ron and Mary Knappen #45

608 582 4124 8 am-10 pm cst, weekdays,
 11 am-10 pm Saturdays
 phonecoinc@aol.com
 www.phonecoinc.com

Mark Johnston

mark4589@hotmail.com

Weekday: 410-970-7067

Cell: 443-244-2825

W E Phones WANTED:

#10 Candlestick Nickel Finish marked "10" on the perch.

#10 Candlestick BLACK with "10 PATENT APPLIED FOR" on the perch.

#22 with a Marked or Unmarked Perch, Black or Nickel Finish

#130A Donut Phone

#140 AL non-dial stick.

302s WANTED:

1936, 1937 1-37, 3-37

1938 9-38

1939 3-39 W/4 Rivets

1939 12-39

1942 10, 11 or 12-42

1943-45 w/Metal Base

1954 3-54

W E Dial Face Plates WANTED:

1937 thru 1940

Notchless 2A or 2B

Christmas Comes Early!

We're cleaning the warehouse of slow moving product and I've identified 1000s of phones that will be leaving my facility one way or another. I have 500s, 554s, 2500s, 2554s, NE Contempras, Trimlines, Trendlines, AE Spacemakers, Princess Phones (701 models), assorted decorator phones, Stromberg Carlson 1243s, wood ringer boxes, dials, handsets. etc.

They are free to a good home.

Shipping cost from the US to Canada is prohibitive on these low value items, so unless you are prepared to arrange freight shipping on a pallet load (which should be fairly reasonable cost-wise,) you'll need to visit us in Kingston Ontario, to pick out your freebies.

Unfortunately, I don't have the resources to search for specific colors, configurations, dates, of variations on any of these items -- you'll need to do that in person.

Act quickly, because most of this stuff will be gone within a couple of weeks.

oldphoneguy@oldphoneworks.com
www.oldphoneworks.com
1-800-843-1320

Gray Pay Station Models WANTED:

8A, 13A, 14J, 23C, 23J

Coin Drawer for Gray 23J

23J Parts Wanted: Everything that is attached to the back plate, contacts, hook, contact board etc.

W E Candlestick Parts WANTED:

Receiver caps for 122 OST, 143 and 144 Receivers.

2- Transmitters, *229* or 7 digit, Black or Nickel

2- Black Transmitter Cups with solid lugs and hole for transmitter wire.

1- Transmitter Cup solid lugs that screw to back of transmitter cup.

Lug that attaches the base to the stem on model 22 sticks.

Glass or porcelain mouthpieces with W E threads.

Candlestick advertising attachments.

W E DIALS WANTED:

4H or 5H dated IV-37, III-38, I-39, 6-45
 6A dial Dated 3-54



Steve Hilsz #22
 P.O. Box 429
 Salome, AZ 85348
 (928) 859-3595
 jydsk@tds.net

Dial repair six dollars flat rate plus major parts. Calibrate your analog touch-tone pads and clean the switches \$5. Postage extra.

WANTED

Trashed crossbar, wire spring relays, flat spring relays, "dead" interrupters from Key Telephone systems, "dead" 400-series 1A2 line cards, can be weather-beaten, I don't mind. Any card with "ice cube" relays, etc.



**FOR SALE
 PHOTOS ABOVE**

Ron Christianson #822
 P O Box 43
 Cave Junction OR 97523

Home phone 541.592.4123
 Email 4123@frontiernet.net
 Web http://www.museumphones.com

FOR SALE or TRADE:

6" and 8" Skeletal magneto ringers.
 \$75 each or \$125 for both. untested.
 1950's Music On Hold device. Mint condition, Grey in color. \$75

**DO NOT FORGET TO
 VOTE.... ballot in newsletter.... also send in your ATCA National Show Registration.... they go to a different address....**

**Ballot to ATCA, P.O. Box
 1252, ABILENE, KS 67460**

**REGISTRATION TO
 John Hucceby
 2440 W. CR. 150 N.
 New Castle, IN 47362**

HELP

*Looking for any
 Sandwich, IL
 phones, parts or
 whole phones.*

*Also want paper
 items that tell about
 any
 Sandwich, IL
 telephone or
 supplies.*

Jason Townsend

*1-630-667-3357
 send pic to jtins76@
 gmail.com*

Wanted: Western Electric #4 dials. I need 10 dials for projects. I would like to buy 584 and 684 subsets. If they have no covers or broken covers that's fine. Wanted to buy nice red thermoplastic 302 with no damage. Wanted colored Automatic Electric desk phones from 1A to AE 40 or AE50. In perfect condition or broken casings. I would like to purchase at least a dozen WE#6 dial yellow back covers.

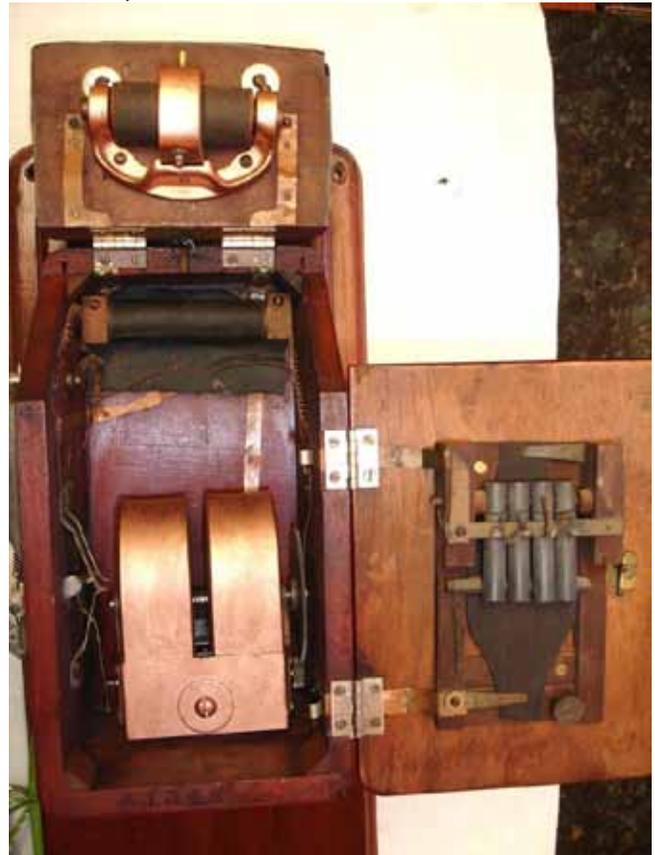
We now have #2 dial finger stops available. These are freshly nickle plated bronze just like the original with screws. 2HB or 2AB. \$25 plus shipping. If you buy 4 I will pay your shipping. I also have nice stainless steel WE 202 bottom screws for \$9.99 a set plus shipping
**Mark Treutelaar 414 425 1622 or
 email emberridge @ yahoo.com**

**The Elusive Harrison Telephone Receiver
When it Rains, it Pours – Another Paul Harvey
Page 2 Story
By Tom Adams ATCA #213 June 2014**



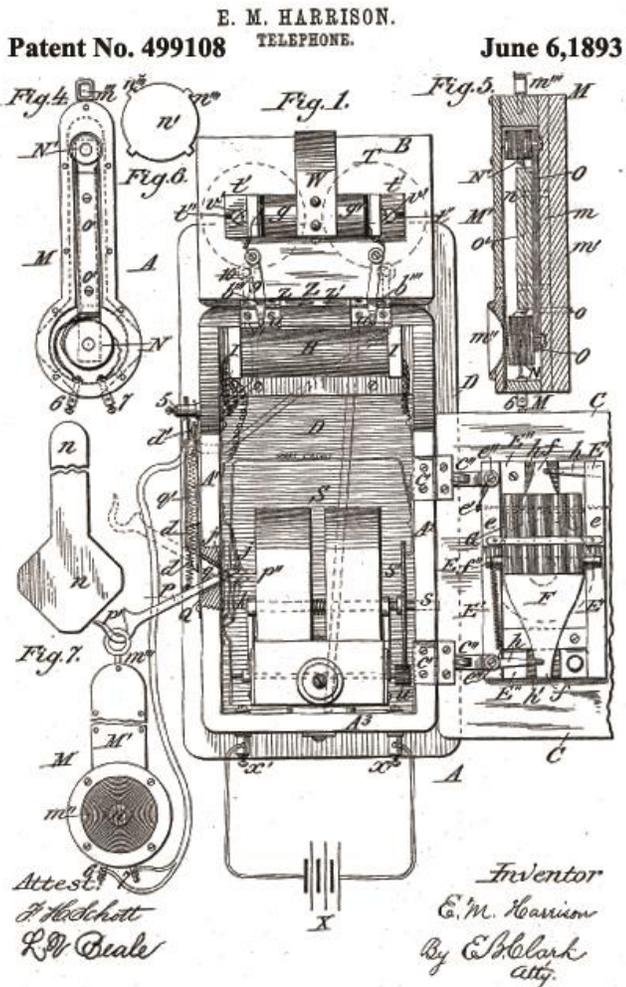
I wrote about this phone in a previous article and at that time I did not own an original Harrison receiver for the phone. I was informed by the few collectors who owned a Harrison phone or were aware of the Company that the receiver was extremely rare, hard to find and only one other was known to exist. I told you about finding another rare receiver a couple months ago for my National Improvement Tel. Co. phone; well it must be my lucky time because I just found an Original Harrison receiver for this set.

The Harrison International Telephone Co. was organized in 1894 under the laws of the state of Illinois with a capital stock of \$80,000 for purposes of exploiting the telephone. They had offices in Chicago & New York City. They were the sole owners of US Letters Patents No. 476,200, dated May 31, 1892; No. 499,108, dated June 6, 1893; and No. 435,295, dated August 26, 1890. The first two relate to electric carbon telephones, transmitters, receivers, and various electrical devices connected with the telephone proper, which were inventions of Dr. Edward M. Harrison, a well-known electrician of the time.

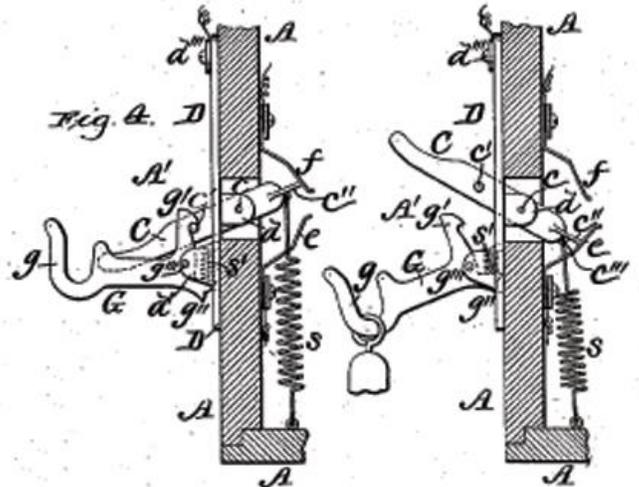
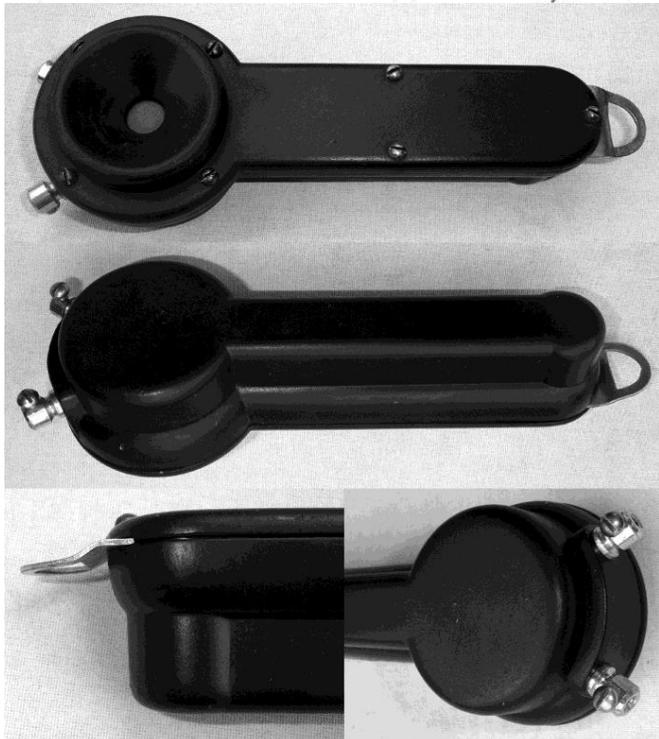


My new receiver is covered by Patent No. 499,108, which was filed on May 31, 1892 and issued June 6, 1893. The other known Harrison receiver was made out of wood; this one is

electrose, which was invented by Louis Steinberger in 1892 and recognized as one of the best substitutes for hard rubber.



The switch hook assembly in this phone is covered by Patent No. 571,162. It is unusual and was to be manually operated by hand. The receiver hook itself serves no purpose other than a place to hang the receiver and lock the switch in place when in the talk position.



Patent No. 571,162
Receiver on Hook

Nov. 10, 1896
Talk Position



Canidates for 2014 ATCA Election

PRESIDENT: TOM HERWER (UNOPPOSED)

Board: John Decker

My name is John Decker ,born and raised in northeast Ohio. I'm 65 years old and have been married to my wife, Elaine for 43 years. I began my career in teaching, but after eight years moved to the family business which is a small steel service center in Cleveland.

As a kid, telephones fascinated me. I remember pleading with my Dad's friend to give me one of two WE wooden phones. He finally succumbed after my persuasive argument that they were just sitting in the basement and he didn't need two! I refinished it, put a few modern elements from Olson Electronics in it and hung it in the family room. I connected it to a small hand built intercom. I managed, through my young teens, to build a small cord board from pieces/parts and collected a few phones.

Turn forward the clock twenty years, I started to collect more and more Western Electric telephones from the 30's, 40's, 50's. I've restored several WE 555's, a 551, a 557, a 506, and a 507 as well as keysets and Card Dialers. Most are connected to the switchboards. The lines coming in are from my step system.

I have a complete collection of colored 500's from the 50's as well as many "mushroom cap" sets, and all Princess colors. I've tried to collect more unusual 500 and 302 series sets such as the two liners, hard of hearing sets, etc. I do have a few AE 40's which I love.

I always enjoyed collecting the phones and business equipment that I remember as a kid, in the golden years of the "Bells".

I've been a member of ATCA and TCI for many years. I believe both organizations offer a great deal to the collecting and preserving of telephony history, both in North America and around the world. Observing the history of the clubs for some years, now it's obvious we aren't getting younger and like so many groups and organizations that got their start and steam in the 20th Century, younger people are not swarming our groups or other groups to "join". Generally speaking, young people aren't "joiners". I believe there is a great deal of wisdom in joining forces, removing all barriers, and happily merging our efforts, history and intellect in both groups and shows. Everyone has strengths and sharing those strengths makes us stronger for longer.

Board: Keith Kroneberger

My name is Keith Kroneberger, ATCA #55.

I would like to serve on the board of directors. I worked for MTN.STATES TEL. and TEL CO. for 33 years. I have enjoyed collecting phones for 30 years, and I'm concerned the future generation will not learn or know what happened in communicatios before the I-phone.

I am also interested in joint shows with TCI and having better communication with them.

Thanks for your consideration,Keith Kroneberger

VICE-PRESIDENT: LYNN GRAVES (UNOPPOSED)

Board: Barry Huceby

I am Barry Huceby and many of you remember me falling over telephones at my dad's table. I have attended shows most of my life and now my sons are falling over my phones.

I actually collect porcelain signs and desk phones. I do have several wood phones but prefer the desk ones.

Presently the head assistant basketball coach at Northwood University in Midland, MI, I keep busy with coaching, recruiting, helping my son's with their teams, volunteer work, and hunting for telephones. I am also starting an antique mall in Freeland, MI, that is opening in August of this year.

I was asked what I thought about joint show with TCI as well as the future of the club. My response is that we need to be willing to do what ever is best of both clubs. It would seem to me that unity has power.

If elected, I will promise to work as hard as I can to help telephone collecting and to reach out to collectors my age and younger.

Board: John Peixinho

John Peixinho, 48, is the owner and founder of a residential design and project management company in Newport, RI.

He has been a telephone collector and enthusiast since about the age of 8. Much of his childhood was spent badgering his family into visiting Bryant Pond, Maine, searching for the few last operating cord PBX switchboards and step-by-step central offices or scouring flea markets and tag sales for old telephones and equipment.

He would support joint shows and other endeavors if it will broadly help to promote telephone collecting and related studies for the next generation of enthusiasts.

Board: Norm Mulvey

I have been a member of the ATCA club since 1974. I have held various offices over the years. I am married and have 3 children and 6 grandchildren, we all live in Georgia. I have lived in Canton Georgia for 18 years and before that in Connecticut.

I collect signs and Western Electric telephones only. In years past I collected anything telephone related.

I am also a member of the TCI club. I hope to see the two clubs become one someday.

Board: Bill Samek

I have been a collector of telephones for many years. Like most collectors, I like ethe unusual. Those of you who know me are aware that I also look for unusual fans.

I would want to work very hard to promote increasing not only young collectors but collectors of any age. There are many phone collectors who are not in our club and we need to draw them in.

You will also find that I would support joint shows and merging the phone collecting clubs.

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