

The Bendix E-Beam

*News from the Bendix Radio Foundation
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of the History of the Bendix Radio Division*

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The Bendix Radio Foundation is indebted to Jim Dalmas for getting this new “Publications Page” up and running. This new page provides: a link to the memoirs of several retired employees; links to those making a contribution to the collections as well as individuals who have made financial donations; and a link to back issue(s) of the E-Beam.

Memoirs Wanted

Thinking about writing your memoirs for the Bendix Radio Foundation? The things you remember about Bendix will be very valuable to future researchers and you are encouraged to write down your recollections and submit to Jim Dalmas. Please see guidelines provided on the BRF Web site Publications Page.

Scott Makes the Mailings

Several months ago Bill Scott agreed to maintain the mailing list for the Bendix Radio Foundation. Though not originally planned he also assumed responsibility for the postal mailing in January of this year, and Bill has also produced the last several E-Beams received by former employees with email addresses. The Foundation is very grateful for his meticulous record keeping and being a team player in the effort to *preserve and present the history of Bendix in Baltimore*.

Hieber’s EBay Watch

As previously mentioned in the last issue of the E-Beam, John Hieber has been keeping an eye on Bendix-related eBay items which are of interest to the Bendix Radio Foundation. Recently John mailed to the group over one dozen items he assembled donating them to the collection. We carefully went through all of them but have yet to find a picture of Pamela Anderson. Bay Watch is not what it used to be!

Auto Radio Manuals Acquired

As a result of an inquiry made by John Hieber to an eBay seller, Jack Shagena initiated an email dialog with a retired auto radio repairman in Texas. The individual had a collection of over 100 service manuals dating from 1960 through 1972 and offered the entire collection to the Foundation at a fair price. Shagena decided to procure the group of over 100 manuals and donate them to the Foundation’s collection at the Baltimore Museum of Industry.

In the near future the automobile radios covered by the manuals will be listed on the Foundation’s web site with an offer to sell copies for a nominal donation to the Museum directed in care of the Bendix Radio Foundation’s budget.

Exhibit Update

Progress continues to be made on drafting the 17 panels comprising the forthcoming exhibit titled: *Communications Before Star Trek, Bendix Radio, Six Decades in Baltimore*. We recently received from Kathy Gerber, daughter of photographer Carl Gerber, several of his terrific black & white railroad prints which will be featured in the panel: **Workin' on the Railroad** – *Bringing Engineers Together*. The exhibit will open in late summer or early fall.

If you have material or artifacts that the Foundation may find useful for the exhibit or the archives please contact Bill Mackey, Collections Chairman, wmackey615@aol.com. If you have suggestion for the exhibit please contact Jack Shagena or Jerry Woodall, Exhibit Co-chairs.

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