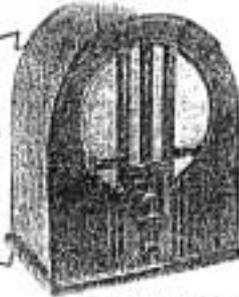


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# The Northwest Vintage Radio Society

The Northwest Vintage Radio Society is a non-profit historical society incorporated in the State of Oregon. Since 1974 the Society has been dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of “Vintage radio” and wireless equipment.

Membership in the Society is open to all who are actively interested in historic preservation. The dues are \$20.00 for domestic membership, due on January 1st of each year (prorated quarterly).

The *Call Letter* has been a monthly publication since 1974. It was originated with the founder, Bob Bilbie, and our first president, Harley Perkins. Through several editors and with the assistance of numerous society members, the *Call Letter* has continued to be a publication that informs members of the society’s business and that supports the hobby of collecting, preserving, and restoring vintage radios.

Society meetings are held the second Saturday of each month (except July and August) at the Abernethy Grange Hall at 15745 S. Harley Ave. in Oregon City, Oregon. They convene at or about 10 AM for the purpose of displaying radios, conducting Society business, and exchanging information. Guests are welcome at all Society meetings and functions (except board meetings).

Other Society functions include guest speakers, auctions, radio show, and radio sales which are advertised in the *Call Letter* and are held in and around Portland.

## Society Officers for 2001:

President	Charles Kent	(503) 281-9335
Vice-President	George Kirkwood	(503) 648-4809
Treasurer	Ed Charman	(503) 654-7387
Secretary	Liles Garcia	(503) 649-9288
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Librarian	John Bucholtz	(360) 693-7135

The Society’s address is:

The Northwest Vintage Radio Society  
Post Office Box 82379  
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### November Call Letter Deadline: October 30.

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**The Fall Swap/Sale on October 13 replaces the regular monthly meeting for October. The next regular monthly meeting is on November 10.**

**Visit our web site at <http://nwvrs.org>.**

The *Call Letter* is the official publication of the Northwest Vintage Radio Society. Circulation is limited to the membership and guests of the Society. The Society is not responsible for the material contributed for publication, nor the quality, timeliness, or accuracy of the items offered for sale in the SWAP SHOP. By common agreement of the board of directors, the buyer assumes all responsibility for the satisfaction of any transaction.

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## From the Editor

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by Call Letter Editor, Rick Walton

The world is still turning, the sun rises and sets, Autumn has arrived, and life goes on. But it sure feels like a different place since September 11. Suddenly the talk of war fills the media, and I'm filled with unease. I'm fearful that in our haste to extract justice, we will strike blindly and more innocents will die. I'm fearful that we will create a martyr for the terrorist cause, harming rather than advancing our own cause. I'm fearful that in our efforts to be secure within our own borders that we will lose precious individual liberties. I'm fearful that we, as ordinary citizens, will become suspicious of anyone who looks vaguely "Arabian" or who is a practicing Muslim. And I'm fearful that my two daughters in uniform might be harmed by this conflict, either in battle or as victims of yet another terrorist assault. I'm not unwilling for them to take part in this effort; nonetheless, I am a parent anxious for the safety of his children. I just hope that as we wage this new and unfamiliar type of war we can in some way provide a clear objective to those who must fight as well as the rest of us who must support the effort. And I hope that the way in which we conduct the war will be clear and honorable. I clearly remember the ambivalence that I felt as a participant in the Viet Nam War, and I would not wish that feeling on my daughters or any others who have to take part in this war.

To change the subject, this month in the *Call Letter* we have lots of evidence of the Fall Swap/Sale, from the flier on the front cover to Cliff's article informing everyone of available tables and even more available opportunities to help with set up and tear down. The Photo Display returns with pictures of the radios that members brought to the September meeting. There's a little in Voila and a little in the Swap Shop. I expect next month those two will fill up again. Finally, there's the list of duties of the club's officers, which reminds us that we nominate candidates for club offices in November.

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## NWVRS 2001 Calendar of Events

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- October 13**      NWVRS Fall Swap/Sale. 9 am to 2 pm. See the announcement that follows the Meeting Minutes.
- November 10**   Regular monthly meeting 10 am; tailgate swap 8:30. Nomination of officers for 2002.
- December 8**     Regular monthly meeting 10 am; tailgate swap 8:30.

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# NWVRS Meeting Minutes

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By Liles Garcia, Secretary, NWVRS

President Charles Kent called the September 8, 2001 meeting of the Northwest Vintage Radio Society to order at 10:00 AM. The minutes of the June meeting were approved as printed in the Call Letter. There were 38 people at our meeting today; Eugene Castaneda joined the club today. Welcome Eugene! Speed Feldschau's wife recently passed away; the club extends sympathies to Speed and his family.

## Old Business

Seattle Swap Meet—Charlie mentioned that the weather was great. He also felt that the prices were lower this year.

## New Business

**Swap Meet** — Our Fall, 2001 Swap Meet will be on October 13. Cliff Tuttle is swap meet coordinator, and he is taking table reservations. The group discussed various methods for advertising our upcoming swap meet. We will use the normal advertising media that is within our budget. One idea is to offer advice and an appraisal on any radios that people want to bring to the swap meet. There will be set-up times on Friday evening and on Saturday morning. We also discussed the parking arrangement around the Rose Center. Club members are encouraged to park across Sandy Blvd. from the Rose Center in the Salvation Army's Administration Building parking lot.

**Nomination for Club Officers** — We will nominate club officers for 2002 at the November meeting. Charlie mentioned that he would not run for President again, and George mentioned that he would not run for Vice-President again. Members discussed the progress that our club has made over the past few years. Cliff thanked the officers for their contributions during their terms of office, then members gave the officers a round of applause.

**Display Opportunity** — Art Redman mentioned that our club could possibly have a display at the Washington County Historical Society. He said that a display of Long radios would be one idea.

## Leads and Needs

Club member Mark Walker recently passed away and his widow, Jo, has a lot of radio equipment for sale. The equipment is located in Merlin, Oregon; the phone number to get more information is (541) 476-1259.

Dick Bixler needs the two large gray knobs for a Hallicrafters S-38E and a dial mechanism for a Philco 37-62.

Blake Deitze will have some packets available at our swap meet for the upcoming swap meet in Mesquite, Texas.

Eugene Castaneda needs the knobs for a Zenith plastic radio.

## Program

Today's program was "your summer acquisition and your summer project". Members showed and discussed the radios that they brought. The following members won ribbons for their radios:

**First place** — Roger Brown—Zenith TransOceanic radio  
Jeff Martin — Sonora radio

**Second place** — Ed Cook—Emerson radio in Ingraham cabinet

**Third place** — George Kirkwood—Chelsea radio

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## October 13th Swap Meet!

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by Cliff Tuttle

The fall swap meet will take place at the Salvation Army Rose Center at 1785 NE Sandy Blvd. on Saturday, October 13, 2001. Doors will be open for move-in Friday evening from 5:00 to 8:00 pm, and again Saturday morning from 7:00 to 9:00 am. The sale hours will be 9:00 to 2:00.

Table space will go for \$15 a table. As was the case at the spring meet, there are a limited number of tables where power is available, so let us know if you need an outlet and we will try to accommodate you.

Feel free to call me at home with your reservations. JoBeth has volunteered (?) to field some calls if I'm not available. Be sure to identify yourself as a radio club member. My kids are kind of short with sales calls we all seem to be bombarded with in the evenings.

To anyone who can lend a hand, especially with set up (Friday afternoon) and tear down (Saturday after 2:00), please give me a call. We could sure use the help. Our home contact:

Cliff and JoBeth Tuttle  
2572 NE Linden Ave.  
Gresham, Oregon 97030  
(503) 666 7005  
E-mail [kiptuttle@aol.com](mailto:kiptuttle@aol.com)

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# Photo Display

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Photography by Dave Brown

These are the summer projects or acquisitions shown by members at the September meeting.



Frank Olberding - Philco  
38-3 cabinet



Larry Tobkin - Philco Portable



Liles Garcia - Hammarlund  
1936 Super Pro



Myron White - 1938  
Crosley "Fiver"



Charlie Kent - Crosley 11-103U



Dave Brown - Emerson  
Mickey Mouse



George Kirkwood - Chelsea



Jeff Martin - Sonora



Bill Meloy - Motorola, Zenith, other portables



Ed Cook - Emerson Ingraham



Roger Brown - Zenith TransOceanic



Sonny Clutter - Zenith 6S321



Dick Bixler - McElroy speed key, S.G. Brown, Ltd. horn

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# Voilà

*...new and recent finds by NVRS members*

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by Sonny Clutter

**Gary Marvin:**

Zenith, 1935 console Model #977

Zenith, 1938 console 9-S-262

Zenith, 1939 console 6-S-362

Zenith, 1941 tombstone 8-S-531

**Sonny Clutter:**

Tom Thumb, from 1938, a really neat Tiny wood table set.

Fada, this set must be seen to appreciate, a very unusual small wood set from about 1938, completely covered with Abalone shell and yellow & black Catalin, very colorful and most unusual, see it on my web site.

Radiola 24, a self contained portable from 1924, complete and all original.

**Rick Walton:**

Westinghouse WR-156, 1939. A birthday gift from my wife with the help of Charlie Kent.

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## Swap Shop

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*FOR SALE:* Thousands of tubes, hundreds of radio parts, panels, meters, surplus, etc. R5-D3 electronic surplus, Bob Lee, 9770 S.E. Stanley Ave., Milwaukie, OR 97222, (503) 513-0410

*BUY, SELL, & TRADE:* Vintage Radio, Early Television and Hi-Fi.

Wanted: Tubes, Parts and whatever you might have related to early radio & TV. Visit my web-site at: <http://www.radiolaguy.com> or e-mail me at:

[sonny@radiolaguy.com](mailto:sonny@radiolaguy.com)

Thanks, Sonny Clutter, phone (360) 834-5741

*WANTED:* The INGRAHAM man wants radios with wood Ingraham cabinets. If you're not sure if it's an Ingraham, call Ed Cook in Vancouver, (360) 573-1439, or e-mail "[hopocol@home.com](mailto:hopocol@home.com)".

*FOR SALE:* A wide variety of radios at <http://radiogallerykent.com>. Charlie Kent

*WANTED:* Western-Electric 639B microphone. Jerry Talbott (503-649-6717) or E-mail: [jerryt@coho.net](mailto:jerryt@coho.net)

**WANTED:** \*\*Junker Philco clock radio from 1950-52 for clock parts. In particular, I need the alarm set shaft and gear. Contact Rick Walton, 3024 NE 49th Ave., Portland, OR 97213 ph. 503-284-5648 or 503-701-3260.  
[rwalton@ftconnect.com](mailto:rwalton@ftconnect.com)

## Leads and Needs

Radiolaguy's web page is full of lots of information on early radio, TV and also provides lots of links to other valuable info resources relating to the radio collecting hobby; it's not just a "for sale" site. Be sure and visit the site often. One of the services offered is pictures and information on the entire RCA "Radiola" line from 1921 to 1931 and my "show and tell" page.

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## Remembering Mark Walker

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from the Grants Pass newspaper.

A number of members of NWVRS were acquainted with Marlan "Mark" Walker of Merlin, Oregon, who died on July 2, 2001. Although he had not been a member in recent years, Mark was at one time a member of NWVRS.

Mark was born August 26, 1935, married Jovita "Jo" Rodriguez in 1952, and worked in California for Garrett AiResearch Corp. as an electromechanic until his retirement in 1972. He moved to Merlin, Oregon that year. He worked for Grants Pass Sanitation from 1977 to 1991, when he opened Walkers Antique Radios in Merlin.

Mark's family placed this notice in the local newspaper:



**Walker's  
Antique Radio**

We dearly thank all who have been customers and special friends throughout the years.

Our family is notifying you with a sad, but comforted heart, that Marlan (Mark) Walker has gone home to Heaven.

In Loving Memory "Papa",  
We will Miss You!



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# Officer's Roles

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## **The President**

The President shall preside at all regular and special meetings of the membership and the Board of Directors. The President shall set the time and the place of Board of Directors' Meetings. The President has the power to appoint members of committees as appropriate to enhance the activities of the society.

## **The Vice President**

The Vice President shall be responsible for planning and arranging technical and entertaining activities associated with the society's meetings. He serves as chairman of the program committee if such a committee is appointed. He acts as presiding officer at meetings if the President is unavailable.

## **The Secretary**

The Secretary shall be responsible for recording the minutes of every business meeting and for receiving and preparing all of the society's correspondence.

## **The Treasurer**

The Treasurer shall be accountable for all funds received and disbursed by the society and shall report all monetary transactions and treasury balance at each regular meeting of the society. The Treasurer shall prepare a list of members in good standing for distribution at the next regular meeting following the annual meeting of the society.

## **The Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors shall consist of the current elected officers of the society plus the immediate past president of the society. The Board of Directors shall direct the care and expenditure of the funds of the society. The Board shall determine a suitable time and place for regular society business meetings.