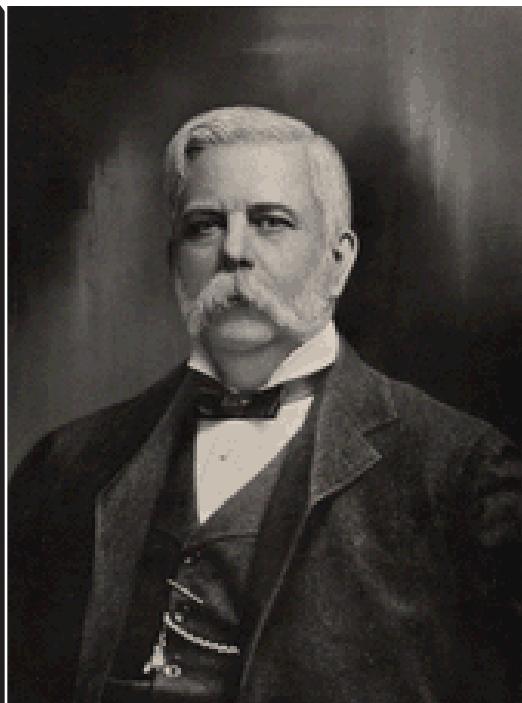




**Westinghouse**



**VRPS 2010 Convention  
November 19, 20,21**

## 2010 OLD EQUIPMENT CONTEST RULES

1. A contest participant must be a VRPS member in good standing at the time of the contest entry.
2. Equipment must be properly registered and paperwork completed to be eligible for judging.
3. A contestant may enter no more than two entries in any one category, but may enter as many categories as desired.
4. Any piece of equipment entered in the 2007, 2008, or 2009 Convention Contests and winning 1st place will not be allowed to compete this year.
5. There is no fee or charge to enter or display an item. Decisions of contest officials and judges are final. Judges will be qualified collectors in the categories they judge.
6. Judges and contest officials may have contest entries, but may not act as a judge or attempt to influence judging in those categories.
7. Equipment must be in working condition and owners may be required to demonstrate functional capability. Dud tubes, of appropriate type and dating may be installed for display purposes without penalty. Restored equipment will be judged on the similarity of restored items to the original when known.
8. Equipment will be judged based on the following guidelines;
  - a) General appearance - is item restored, cleaned, and generally presentable, or just "as found".
  - b) Item rarity - not as important as authenticity, but it counts for the item to be relatively hard to find.
  - c) Authenticity - how much of the item is demonstrably authentic? Documentation may be crucial.
  - d) Documents - ads, journal articles, books, news-clips, photos.
  - e) Entrant effort - how much was done by entrant based on appearance and documentation?
  - f) Qualitative bonus based on judgment and experience.
9. Accessory items such as accompanying external speakers are encouraged for display but only original literature/documentation will be considered in the judging.

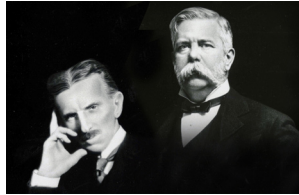
### SILENT AUCTION RULES

1. No maximum lots - smaller items preferred.
2. Use special Silent Auction Control Forms, designate minimum bid - not less than \$5.00.
3. For Lot Number use your Auction Number followed by 91, 92, 93, 94, or 95. Example 145--91.
4. Bidding will end at the clock signal. The Silent Auction Manager will promptly enter winning bid and bidder's number on the Auction Control Form. Pay for items from the Silent Auction at the end of the Auction #3 Saturday night.
5. **Please pick up and take your items at the end of the Silent Auction.**

*\*\*CONVENTION DISCLAIMER - The Vintage Radio & Phonograph Society, Inc. will not be responsible for fire, theft, personal injury or any loss of equipment occurring during the Conventions. The best advice - be sure you and your equipment are insured. VRPS Conventions are a private function for VRPS members and guests.*

## VRPS CONVENTION 2010 CONTEST CATEGORIES

1. Crystal Radios
2. Battery Receivers - Pre 1928
3. AC Table Radios - Pre WW II
4. Console Radios
5. AC/DC Tube Radios
6. Transistor Radios - Pre 1965
7. Phonographs and related accessories - Pre 1928
8. Loudspeakers (Horn or Cone) - Pre 1930
9. Military and Amateur Radio Equipment
10. Novelty Radios - Tube or Transistor
11. Open Category - Radio or Phonograph Related Items not fitting in other categories
12. Art Deco Radios
13. Vacuum Tubes
14. Foreign Radios
15. Restoration Category - NEW CATEGORY!  
Entry must include documentation (before and after photos, etc.)!
16. Manufacturers Category - WESTINGHOUSE



### AUCTION RULES

1. Each item must be clearly tagged using the Auction Control Form. The form has places for Seller Number, Item Number, minimum bid, and condition. If an item is not tagged properly, it will not be presented for auction.
2. Registered members will be allowed to enter 25 items per day - 5 will be guaranteed to move and the rest as time permits. Sets-for-parts, junkers, and non-vintage radio/phonograph related items will not be accepted and will be removed from the auction area. These are ideal for the flea market Sunday morning.
3. A minimum of 15% will be received by VRPS from each lot sold. Any auction lot withdrawn to sell after entering in the auction will be subject to a 15% charge. Sellers are not allowed to up bid their own items.
4. There will be no one allowed in the auction equipment room or storage area other than the auction staff. This is to protect YOUR equipment, and keep the aisles clear for the set handlers. Viewing will be before the auctions

## RADIO RAFFLE

This nice working Zenith Leather 600 T-O radio will be offered in the raffle. Don't miss your chance to win this fine set! See Ron Daniel, Dee Daniel, or Lois Janssen at the registration desk to buy tickets. The drawing will be held at 2:00 on Saturday. You must be present to win!



## PRE-REGISTRATION PRIZES

Two pre-registration prizes will be announced at the Saturday night Banquet.

Eligibility Rules:

1. Must be a VRPS member;
2. Pre-registration for 2010 Convention (mail in before October 31, 2010);
3. Purchase an Awards Banquet ticket;
4. Must be present at the Banquet on Saturday evening.



**Crosley Fiver**



**Philco 89**

## SATURDAY AWARDS BANQUET

The last event Saturday will be the 2010 Annual Awards Banquet at 7:30 p.m. Preceding the Banquet will be a reception & cash bar from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Drawing for the PreRegistration prizes will be conducted during the Banquet

## CONVENTION 2010 CONTEST AWARDS

The top three awards and 1st place winners will be recognized at the Annual Awards Banquet. These awards will be announced and given a trophy: Best of Show, Founder's Award, and People's Choice Award. Ribbons for 1st and 2nd place will be displayed on contest equipment after judging on Saturday.

### THE HAMPTON INN & SUITES 1700 RODEO DRIVE MESQUITE, TX 75149 ACCOMMODATIONS CONVEN- TION 2010

VRPS has arranged a special discount room rate at the Hampton Inn & Suites - Mesquite, TX. Rates are:

SINGLE/DOUBLE ROOMS \$84.00 plus tax.

Suites are

\$104.00. This rate is good for reservations made no later

than **November 5, 2010**. Please state that you are a member of VRPS to get the special rate. You can use the direct link on the VRPS web site at [www.vrps.org](http://www.vrps.org) to make your reservations or call 972-329-3100 or 1-800-Hampton.

## BANQUET SPEAKER

Eddie Robinson was born in the northeastern Texas town of Paris on Dec. 15, 1920. He broke into the big leagues with the 1942 Cleveland Indians. Eddie was a left-handed batter who threw right-handed and was 27 when the Indians won the 1948 World Series. Although traded during that offseason, he was still at the top of his game and his next two teams, the Washington Senators (1949-50) and Chicago White Sox (1950-52), experienced the most productive seasons of his time in major league baseball. Overall, he played in 1,315 games and batted .268 with 172 homeruns during a pro career that lasted until 1957. He played for 13 years in the major leagues - three with the New York Yankees (two of which they played in the World Series). Eddie had to take three years off from his baseball career to serve in the United States Navy during WW2. After retirement came a scouting and executive career that lasted for more than 40 years, including serving as General Manager of the Texas Rangers and the Atlanta Braves. While he was with Atlanta he traded Hank Aaron, then 40, to the Milwaukee Brewers. Eddie will be accompanied by Paul Rogers, who has written a book about Eddie - "Lucky Me- My 65 Years in Baseball". The book is scheduled to be released in February 2011. Order forms will be available at the Banquet for anyone who would like to preorder an autographed copy of the book.



## VRPS 2010 CONVENTION EVENTS SCHEDULE

A registration badge will be required for entrance to all activities

### Friday, November 19, 2010

9:00AM- 7:00PM Registration  
 9:30AM- 5:00PM Contest Registration & Viewing  
 8:00AM- 5:00PM Auction #1 & 2 Check- In  
 11:00AM- Noon Technical Session: Pat Jankowiak-  
 The Oscilloscope- Demystifying the "Scope" and demon-  
 strating it's usefulness as another tool for the bench.  
 12:00PM-1:00PM Lunch  
 2:45PM -4:00PM Auction #1- Tubes and Paper  
 5:00PM- 10:00PM Auction #2- Friday Night Auction-  
 \$10.00 minimum bid

### Saturday, November 20, 2010

7:30AM- 2:00PM Registration  
 7:30AM- 9:30AM Contest Registration & Viewing  
 7:30AM- 10:30AM Auction #3 Check- In  
 8:30AM- 9:00AM Silent Auction  
 9:30AM- 10:30AM Contest Judging- Contest room  
 will be closed for viewing during judging!  
 10:30AM- 3:00PM Contest Viewing  
 11:00AM- 5:00PM Auction #3- Main Auction-  
 \$20.00 minimum bid  
 2:00PM Raffle Drawing- Must Be Pres-  
 ent To Win!  
 5:30PM- 7:30PM Reception (Cash Bar)  
 7:00PM- 9:30PM Annual Awards Banquet

How many of us remember listening to the baseball game on the radio? For our Banquet entertainment this year we are fortunate to have baseball great Eddie Robinson to take us back to a time when the radio enabled us to be there when baseball was "The Great American Pastime"!

### Sunday, November 21, 2010

7:00AM- Noon Indoor Flea Market

## TECHNICAL SESSION

DON'T MISS PAT  
JANKOWIAK'S TECH  
TALK -LEARN TO USE  
THE OSCILLOSCOPE!



## WESTINGHOUSE

*"You can be sure if it's Westinghouse"*

Most of us have heard that slogan sometime in our life, but how many of us really know anything about Westinghouse other than the appliances we see with that name? The company was actually founded by George Westinghouse. He was born in 1846 in New York, the 8th of 10 children, to an American toolmaker. He served in the Civil War for the Union in both the Army and Navy. He modernized the railroad industry with his Westinghouse Air Brake Co. His air brakes were a vast improvement over the railroad brakes currently in use and, within a few years, he was a millionaire.

In 1885 he bought the patent rights to Nicola Tesla's polyphase system of AC dynamos, transformers, and motors and in 1886 he founded the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Co. This transaction was the start of a power struggle between Thomas Edison and his direct current power system and the Westinghouse-Tesla alternating current power system. This feud would continue for more than a decade.

After his massive demonstration at the Chicago Exposition in 1893 Westinghouse was awarded a contract to build 3 hydroelectric power plants in Niagara Falls, New York. After opening the plants in 1895 they supplied power to Buffalo- 20 miles away. This distance would have been impossible for a DC transmission system. With that success, AC became America's power source of choice, though Edison spent many more years trying to discredit Westinghouse and alternating current power. George Westinghouse was not only an inventive genius, but a humanitarian as well. He named many of his companies after the employees who developed the products. He offered his employees a pension plan, good wages, sick leave and paid recuperation time after job related accidents when neither was required by law. Andrew Carnegie once said "Westinghouse could have made a lot

more money during his lifetime if he had not treated his workers so well".

Westinghouse lost most his fortune during the Panic of 1906 and after that his health deteriorated until his death in 1914. The Westinghouse company continued, due in large part to Frank Conrad, a long time employee of Westinghouse Electric Co., and the radio station-8XK-that he started in 1916. In 1920 8XK became KDKA- the first commercially licensed radio station in America and on November 2, 1920, broadcast the U.S. Presidential election from a shack on the roof of a Westinghouse building in Pittsburgh.

Westinghouse Electric and Mfg. Co., along with GE and AT&T, became the founding partners of RCA in 1919. They acquired the patents for Edwin Armstrong's Regenerative and Superheterodyne circuits and began the manufacture of radios for sale to the public. In late 1920 the RC, and RA/DA were available and the next year the Aeriola Jr. and Sr. Since then, millions of radios and other items have been sold bearing the Westinghouse name.

Randy James

