



The Airwaves

THE ANCIENT RADIO PLAYERS NEWSLETTER

ARP TOGETHER FOR 10 YEARS

POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Tenth Anniversary show at The Ritz Theatre, Shawnee, OK October 30th at 7:30pm. Tickets will be \$7 for adults, \$5 for children and seniors. Address: 10 W. Main St., Shawnee.



Check out our website:

<http://ancientradioplayers.tripod.com>

See pictures of the group in action.

Pictures of Red Dust, OK.

Listen to some of our shows!

And lots more!

Ten years ago Bret Jones and Shawn Martin kicked around the idea of doing a live radio show for Halloween. What came out of that conversation a decade ago has evolved into The Ancient Radio Players. The radio performance group is now celebrating its ten year anniversary.

The first show was a live broadcast of *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*. The group wanted to perform *The War of the Worlds*, but rights were unavailable. Bret adapted the story for radio, they drafted friends, roped in the local radio station in Ada, OK and they were off.

The show ran for an hour, had live sound effects (including the crashing pumpkin), and was recorded in front of an audience.

The following year the group recorded *The Silver Circle* for the radio station to air. A couple of months later the gang recorded *Santa Claus, Pt* for broadcast. Other horror-themed shows followed over the years.

In 2001 the group performed the first episode of *The Okie Red Dust Review*, which has become the signature program of the group. With its comedy/variety format, the show lampoons life in a small Oklahoma town. The shows feature skits, bits, and monologue all reflecting country living. The shows also include original music by some of the members.



The series takes place in the mythical town of Red Dust, OK—"where the dust is red, and so are the necks!" The shows center around the local radio station—KDST, "The Dust." Listeners are transported around the town with sketches that reveal the craziness and sheer fun of living in a small, Oklahoma community.

In the past ten years the group has performed all over Oklahoma: Ada, Lindsay, Frederick, Hugo, Shawnee, Pauls Valley, Wilburton, McAlester, and at the arts festival in Oklahoma City.

The group has performed forty shows, both live and studio, over the past ten years. ARP has also been featured on *Is This a Great State or What?* with Galen Culver on KFOR in Oklahoma City, in *The Oklahoman*, *Oklahoma Today* magazine, *The American Theatre Magazine*, and on *Gallery*, OETA's show focusing on Oklahoma artists.

Join our celebration of our ten years being together!

Active members of ARP:

Shawn Martin
Jim Miller
Rick Sanders
Catie Caton
Kassie Ingle
Bret Jones
Kevin Worden
Martin Turney
Arlan Bullard
Krista Clark
Leslie Jones

10TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW IN SHAWNEE

ARP will celebrate their 10th anniversary by having a show at The Ritz Theatre in Shawnee, Oklahoma. The show will be October 30 at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$7 for adults/\$5 for children and seniors.

The show will be a re-broadcast of our first show: *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, but with a slight twist—the show will be performed as part of the listening day at the radio station in Red Dust. So, it will be a show-within-

a show! What will happen when Red Dust residents hear about a headless horseman stalking the night? Will there be panic in the streets? Join us and find out!

