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| OBJECT ID | F2013.1 |
| OBJECT NAME | Phonograph |
| DATE CREATED | 1948 |
| MATERIAL | Metal; Wood |
| OBJECT ENTITIES | Godellas, . (is related to) Godellas, William (is related to) Godellas, Elaine (is related to) |
| ACCESS POINTS | motorola music player Phonograph portable music player |

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Motorola, Inc. walnut wood phonograph. Its a Motorola Aero Vane High Efficiency Loop phonograph with headphones. This model is 67F12 with the serial number 3350, both are located on the bottom of the phonograph. On the back there is a wood plaque from Motorola with their address and there is instructions for antenna use as well as how to change the dial bulbs. This phonograph was sold and used as an consumer electronic device in 1948.

ORIGIN

Donated by Dr. Constatine Godellas. The phonograph was made in Chicago in 1948, the sticker on the bottom says Jan 14, 1948. The serial number is 3350 and the model is 67F12. Motorola started off as a private company but in 1943 the company sold stock to the public. Motorola also spread its reach over seas during WWII.

In 1928, brothers Paul V. Galvin and Joseph E. Galvin purchased a battery eliminator business from the bankrupt Stewart Storage Battery Co. of Chicago. The brothers' new company, located on the West Side of Chicago, was called the Galvin Manufacturing Corp.; it began with five employees. The company began to make car radios in 1930 and manufactured larger radio sets for homes starting in 1937. During World War II, Galvin made hand-held, two-way FM portable radios—which became known as “walkie-talkies”—for the use of the U.S. military. Although the company experienced a severe decline immediately after the end of the war, as the end of large military contracts pushed its annual sales down from \$68 million in 1945 to \$23 million in 1946, it soon recovered in spectacular fashion. In 1947, the company changed its name to Motorola Inc.

CITATION

Phonograph, 1948, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 12/19/25.
