

## A post-apocalyptic Christmas special

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**Full text:** Did you know that Salem has its very own post-apocalyptic radio show? It's true. The aptly named Radioactive Report is an old-fashioned radio variety program, if that old-fashioned radio variety program was produced in a time period after the majority of humanity had died off in "the incident" and a brave band of survivors decided to put on a show.

The show, which began in August, has 10 episodes on iTunes, and is the brainchild of Jessica and Jason Ramey. The next episode, entitled "A Very Special Radioactive Report: The Bumblebees Save Christmas" will debut Saturday at Clockworks Cafe and Cultural Center.

"It's a post-apocalyptic holiday show featuring the music from the Bumblebees," said "Bruce," the show's host. "It's just a lot of crazy happenings in a post-apocalyptic wasteland, and there's some talk about how now that the incident has occurred, Christmas just isn't the same as it was. The commercialization, and all that -- we miss that. How can we get back to the commercial spirit of Christmas?"

The show will not be performed live, but the Rameys plus half of the Bumblebees will be around.

"We're going to have an old-fashioned radio up there, turn it up and have people grab a cup of hot cocoa and tune in just like they would in the '20s and '30s," Bruce said.

The event itself is free, but proceeds from sales of the Bumblebee's album will benefit My Voice Music, a nonprofit that engages at-risk youth in music, providing "pay what you can afford" instruments and instruction. To check out past episodes, go to [www.radioactivereport.com](http://www.radioactivereport.com).

-- K. Williams Brown

'A Very Special Radioactive Report: The Bumblebees Save Christmas'

When: 2 p.m. Saturday

Where: Clockworks Cafe and Cultural Center, 241 Commercial St. NE

Admission: Free

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