



United Way. This project is no exception.

After we get four shows under our belt (about 50 songs), we will be asking you - our readers/listeners to select 12 songs that we will put on a "greatest hits" CD. All proceeds will again go to the United Way who has been serving needy causes in Central Texas for decades. You can help us make a difference in the community.



Beth Williams, our program host is no stranger to music podcasts and has her own that is now being webcast on over 20 stations. As a singer-songwriter herself with 8 CDs under her belt, she has the ears to know what great music sounds like. Her webcasts can be found on her web site bethwilliamsmusic.com so drop by and give a listen to her own original mix.

Since launching the show back in September it has become the most viewed and visited page on our web site - second only to our home page. Thanks to all the listeners that are tuning in and to the recording artists that have donated their music to the cause.



They say, "seeing is believing." In Heart Beat's case, hearing is believing.

All the recording artists on the previous review page have contributed a couple tunes to the Winter edition of Heart Beat Radio. Your host Beth Williams gives you a bit of insight and background on the artists and spins the best in both established and up-and-coming artists.

The current version of the show can be accessed from our home page on the web. If you click on the Music menu button and select Heart Beat Radio, you can access both the current show and previous webcasts.

There are other magazines that cover music but, to our knowledge we are the only periodical that puts their music where their mouth is.

The show is produced by Heart Beat and compiled by Greg at the Music Office studio. Beth emails her voice over to us. Gotta use the technology.

We have sponsored a number of events in the past and have always donated the entire proceeds to the Kerr County



Geegaws, Gadgets & Gizmos For the Geeks in Your Life by Jack Armstrong



Contixo F17+ RC Quadcopter Drone - \$215 at Walmart
With GoPro and RJI fighting the battle for affordable 4K drones, a newcomer on the scene gives you many of the features offered by both the Mavic and Karma - at about 1/3 the price. This drone has many features that the big time vendors are offering including 1,000 foot range, a 6-axis gimble and a one-button return to home feature. Online reviews are very positive and this puppy is a look at how the price of high quality drones is dropping. Also GoPro Hero 4 and 5 compatible so you can get the best of both worlds.



Lenovo Tab 4, 10.1" Android Tablet, \$125 on Amazon
Tablets are all the rage these days and here is a feature-packed Android tablet that won't break the bank. Unlike iPad models, this unit comes with all the common sense features that Apple sells as accessories. You have an SD slot to expand your tablet memory inexpensively. There is also a handy USB port for even more expansion. The Lenovo is a lot of tablet (quad core memory, 16GB of in-device storage) for a small amount of money.



LG Blu-ray Player with Built-in Wi-Fi \$70 at Walmart
We have all heard of "Smart" devices and this LG Blu-ray DVD player is no exception. Not just TVs and tablets are getting smart, the latest generation of Blu-ray players are now wi-fi enabled and can put you right into Netflix, Amazon and other online movie and entertainment services.



TCL 32" HD (720P) Roku Smart TV \$135 at Walmart
The cable companies aren't very happy with Roku and smart TVs. You can get enough content to keep you entertained and all you need is an Internet connection. Why pay for 168 channels of content you probably aren't interested in anyway? How many channels of worthless shopping channels do you need when just about everything they are selling is much cheaper online? Want to binge on all 84 episodes of "Breaking Bad?" No problem just log into Netflix from your smart TV and you are good to go. Before you buy make sure your Internet provider doesn't have a cap on data. Streaming to your heart's delight can run you up a bill for data services if there is a cap.