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Postponed Annual Meeting:
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MEETING NOTICE

Date: Wednesday, Sept. 17, 2008
Place: Waltham Elks
 101 School Street
 (Corner of Lexington St.)
 Waltham, MA
Time: 7:00 P. M. Registration & Conversation
 7:30 P. M. Postponed Annual Business Meeting: Nominations and elections for 2008-9 program year.
 7:45 P. M. FREE Pizza Dinner
 8:00 P. M. Program: Hands on repair of Flat Panel TVs. See right hand column.

Why E T G?

It used to be that consumer electronic service was pretty much a local affair. New sets were distributed by regional distributors and sold by local dealers. Manufacturers pretty much supported their product with service data and parts. Many parts including vacuum tubes were available from local parts distributors. Area and state associations were formed to assist the many mostly local servicers by bringing mem-

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Flat Panel TV Repair Planned for September

To help more members become proficient in repairing flat panel TVs, plasma and LCD, the September meeting will consider that subject by hands-on troubleshooting and repair. Members can bring in non working sets and the combined member expertise will undertake to diagnose and possibly repair the sets.

Any member can bring in a set to be worked on. As it is always helpful for servicing, the service manual or schematic should come too. So will test equipment and tools that may be needed. Generally it will be one set per member in the order of sign-ups. Members who intend to bring in a set are asked to contact Marc Lussier in advance. (Phone 401-334-2772; Email: rolandsTV@juno.com) This is to ensure we have enough but not too many sets for the evening's work.

While seminars by manufacturer trainers are helpful for educating our members on new designs, lots of our members will not actually see any of those new models until they are out of warranty which will be several years. This meeting is intended to provide training you can take home and maybe use the next day.

AS A ADDED BENEFIT and since this is the first meeting of the season, the ETG treasury will provide a FREE pizza dinner to the members who attend. (\$10 fee for guests.) We will order the pizzas about 7:15 and hopefully be

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