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From the Publisher ... You'll have to forgive me if this issue reaches you late, or if there are goofs inside - after spending two days in bed and as I write this, I'm well-rested, almost over the flu, but not very sharp. Mama was right - I should have gotten a flu shot this year, even after over 20 years of not catching it!

From the BoD: "To all concerned: This list [NRCDXAS Listserv -pls.] is meant to further the enjoyment of the AM radio hobby. It is not a forum for bashing industry or personal policies you do not agree with, nor to make personal attacks on individuals you may disagree with. Actions not suitable for print in *DX News* is not acceptable here either. Membership on a list is not a condition of membership in the NRC and of receivers of DX NEWS or DX Audio Service. The Board of Directors do not have time to monitor the list consistently, and since the BoD makes club policy, discussion or comments regarding club policy should be directed to ME at kenc@nrcdxas.org or Box 164 - Mannsville, NY 13661. If you have a problem on the list or with another list member, direct ALL comments to the Moderator ONLY. Since Fred has too much on his plate already, he is stepping down as moderator to concentrate on his many other duties. Fred is looking for a suitable candidate for Postmaster. EFFECTIVE TODAY, 12/13/03, Harold Richards am-owner@nrcdxas.org has been appointed Moderator, and any questions of policy, complaints go to HIM ONLY. He will have the final say regarding approval to subscribe or the necessity to unsubscribe a member for violation of list rules. The IDX, GYDX, and Whazup lists will be disbanded. -Ken Chatterton, Chairman BoD."

DXChange ... Sidney Steele - 6 Woodfield Ln - Charleston, IL 61920-3629 sent in the following in the most rare of communications these days, a hand-written letter (most welcome, Sid). He also mentioned that he believes that he joined the NRC in 1934 (and that he received his first verie in November, 1931, and has been DX'ing since 1926). So we'll proclaim Sid as our second-longest NRC

member, after Kermit Geary. (Now, who is third?) Sid says that at age 86, "... DX'ing is not in the forefront any more", and so he wants to dispose of the following: Volumes of *DX News*: 66 through 69, \$2.00 per volume plus shipping; old NRC Logs: #9, 15, 18, and 20: \$1.00 each plus shipping; very old RADEX magazines: Jan. 1930 (no cover but otherwise intact), Mar. 1930, Apr. 1931, Dec. 1938 (all in good condition), \$5.00 each plus shipping.

Thanks to all who sent me Christmas cards this year; at the rate things are going here, I may not get ANY out this year. And - don't forget - no DXN this week as we all take a well-deserved break (and give the post office a little less to handle, too).

Finally, to you and yours, may the blessings of the holiday season be the fullest ever this year!

DXN Publishing Schedule, Volume 71

Iss.	Deadline	Pub. Date	Iss.	Deadline	Pub. Date
13.	Dec. 26	Jan. 5	22.	Feb. 27	Mar. 8
14.	Jan. 2	Jan. 12	23.	Mar. 12	Mar. 19
15.	Jan. 9	Jan. 19	24.	April 2	April 12
16.	Jan. 16	Jan. 26	25.	April 16	April 26
17.	Jan. 23	Feb. 2	26.	May 7	May 17
18.	Jan. 30	Feb. 9	27.	June 4	June 14
19.	Feb. 6	Feb. 16	28.	July 2	July 12
20.	Feb. 13	Feb. 23	29.	Aug. 6	Aug. 16
21.	Feb. 20	Mar. 1	30.	Sept. 10	Sept. 20

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the December 19, 1953 DXN: President/Editor Ray. B. Edge, Buffalo, NY reported veries for his reception of recent DX programs from HCJB-700 and 4VYM-1250, giving him two new countries, and he hoped to hear from YSDF-1330 for another one.

25 years ago ... from the December 28, 1978 DXN: Ernie Cooper, Provincetown, MA reported hearing R. Exitos, Santiago, Dominican Republic, way atop 1130 on 11-27; IDX editor confirmed that they had increased power from 1 to 10 kW.

10 years ago ... from the December 20, 1993 DXN: Dallas Lankford offered a remedy for R-390A's which wouldn't turn off.

AM Switch

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Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC and listeners

CALL LETTER CHANGES

	<u>Old call</u>		<u>New call</u>	
1150	KKGT	OR	Portland	KRMZ
1200	W	NY	Kingston	WJGK
1330	WASN	OH	Campbell	WGFT
1330	WOLD	VA	Marion	WHGB
1350	KTXJ	TX	Jasper	KCOX
1460	WTMB	WI	Tomah	WBOG
1500	WGFT	OH	Youngstown	WASN
1580	W	SC	Georgetown	WWGS
1580	WAHI	TN	Knoxville	WNPZ



GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

950	WPET	NC	Greensboro	Granted CP to increase day power and lower night power at new location to become U1 540/41.
1400	KSHP	NV	North Las Vegas	Coordinate adjustment to N36-12-39 W115-09-47.

CPs ON THE AIR

1310	WHEP	AL	Foley	Notified in operation with D1 2500/0 at new location: N30-26-38 W87-40-52.
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APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

1030	WEBS	GA	Calhoun	Applies to raise day power to become U1 5000/3.
1210	WILY	IL	Centralia	Has resubmitted their application for D4 10000/0 CH 1100 from a new transmitter site.
1270	KRVT	OK	Claremore	Proposes four new 194' towers at a new site and an increase in nighttime power. Would become U2 1000/1000.
1350	KCHK	MN	New Prague	Applies to raise their nighttime power to become U4 500/700.
1520	KYND	TX	Cypress	Wants to add nighttime service to become U7 3000/260 CH 2600.

ENGINEERING AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS SUBMITTED

910	WPRP	PR	Ponce	Applies for U1 4200/4200 from new 319' tower.
1170	WLEO	PR	Ponce	Wants to increase tower height from 200 to 319' and decrease power to become U1 200/200.
1470	WFJY	PA	Portage	Station has a CP to move to 660 kHz with D1 270/0 from new city-of-license of Wilkesburg, Pennsylvania. This amendment asks to lower the power at a new transmitter site. Would be D1 260/0. CoL data omitted from item last issue.

LICENSES CANCELLED FOR FAILURE TO SUBMIT A RENEWAL APPLICATION !!!

970	WVOV	VA	Danville
980	WMEK	VA	Chase City
1340	WBLB	VA	Pulaski
1350	WBLT	VA	Bedford
1400	WHLF	VA	South Boston
1450	WTHU	MD	Thurmont
1450	WMVA	VA	Martinsville

LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

540	WETC	NC	Wendell-Zebulon	980	WAZS	SC	Summerville
540	WYNN	SC	Florence	990	WEEB	NC	Southern Pines
550	WIOZ	NC	Pinehurst	1000	WRTG	NC	Garner
560	WGAI	NC	Elizabeth City	1010	WFGW	NC	Black Mountain
560	WVOC	SC	Columbia	1020	WRIX	SC	Homeland Park
570	WDNZ	NC	Raleigh	1030	WFTK	NC	Wake Forest
580	WKSJ	NC	West Jefferson	1040	WPBS	GA	Conyers
590	WCAB	NC	Rutherfordton	1050	WFSC	NC	Franklin
590	WGTN	NC	Wilson	1050	WLON	NC	Lincolnton
600	WCVP	NC	Murphy	1050	WWGP	NC	Sanford
600	WSJS	NC	Winston-Salem	1060	WGSB	NC	Mebane
610	WFNZ	NC	Charlotte	1060	WKRE	NC	Monroe
610	WAIZ	NC	Hickory	1060	WCOK	NC	Sparta
620	WDNC	NC	Durham	1070	WNCT	NC	Greenville
620	WGCV	SC	Cayce	1070	WCSZ	SC	Sans Souci
630	WMFD	NC	Wilmington	1080	WKGX	NC	Lenoir
640	WFNC	NC	Fayetteville	1090	WBZB	NC	Selma
660	WLFJ	SC	Greenville	1090	WCZZ	SC	Greenwood
680	WPTF	NC	Raleigh	1110	WBT	NC	Charlotte
680	WRGC	NC	Sylva	1120	WSME	NC	Camp Lejeune
710	WEGG	NC	Rose Hill	1130	WPYB	NC	Benson
710	WFNR	VA	Blacksburg	1130	WFXH	SC	Hilton Head Island
720	WGCR	NC	Pisgah Forest	1130	WQIS	SC	Camden
730	WFMC	NC	Goldsboro	1140	WRNA	NC	China Grove
730	WOHS	NC	Shelby	1150	WGEA	AL	Geneva
730	WSCC	SC	Charleston	1150	WBAG	NC	Burlington-Graham
740	WPAQ	NC	Mount Airy	1150	WGBR	NC	Goldsboro
780	WCKB	NC	Dunn	1150	WAVO	SC	Rock Hill
790	WIST	NC	Thomasville	1160	WTEL	NC	Red Springs
790	WRIT	SC	Bamberg-Denmark	1160	WJFJ	NC	Tryon
800	WKBC	NC	North Wilkesboro	1170	WCLN	NC	Clinton
800	WDSC	NC	Dillon	1170	WLGO	SC	Lexington
800	WPJM	SC	Greer	1180	WMYT	NC	Carolina Beach
810	WQIZ	SC	St. George	1190	WXE	NC	Monroe
830	WTRU	NC	Kernersville	1190	WJES	SC	Saluda
850	WRBZ	NC	Raleigh	1200	WMIR	NC	Atlantic Beach
860	WFMO	NC	Fairmont	1200	WSML	NC	Graham
860	WACB	NC	Taylorsville	1220	WKMT	NC	Kings Mountain
860	WLBG	SC	Laurens	1230	WSKY	NC	Asheville
880	WPEK	NC	Fairview	1230	WFAY	NC	Fayetteville
890	WHNC	NC	Henderson	1230	WKDX	NC	Hamlet
890	WBAJ	SC	Blythewood	1230	WMFR	NC	High Point
900	WYCV	NC	Granite Falls	1230	WLNK	NC	Kinston
900	WAYN	NC	Rockingham	1230	WNNC	NC	Newton
900	WIAM	NC	Williamston	1220	WREX	NC	Reidsville
900	WNCM	SC	North Myrtle Beach	1230	WOIC	SC	Columbia
910	WSTK	NC	Jacksonville	1230	WOLS	SC	Florence
910	WSPA	SC	Spartanburg	1240	WHVN	NC	Charlotte
920	WPCM	NC	Burlington-Graham	1240	WCNC	NC	Elizabeth City
920	WPTL	NC	Canton	1240	WJNC	NC	Jacksonville
920	WYMB	SC	Manning	1240	WPJL	NC	Raleigh
930	WYFQ	NC	Charlotte	1240	WWWC	NC	Wilkesboro
930	WDLX	NC	Washington	1240	WLSC	SC	Loris
940	WKYK	NC	Burnsville	1240	WDXY	SC	Sumter
950	WORD	SC	Spartanburg	1250	WGHM	NC	Farmville
960	WRNS	NC	Kinston	1250	WBRM	NC	Marion
970	WRCS	NC	Ahoskie	1260	WKXR	NC	Asheboro
970	WOXL	NC	Canton	1260	WZBO	NC	Edenton
970	WJMX	SC	Florence	1260	WMUU	SC	Greenville
980	WAAV	NC	Leland	1260	WHYM	SC	Lake City
				1270	WCGC	NC	Belmont

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1280	WYAL	NC	Scotland Neck	1450	WATA	NC	Boone
1280	WSAT	NC	Salisbury	1450	WGNC	NC	Gastonia
1280	WANS	SC	Anderson	1450	WIZS	NC	Henderson
1280	WJAY	SC	Mullins	1450	WHKP	NC	Hendersonville
1290	WHKY	NC	Hickory	1450	WNOS	NC	New Bern
1290	WJCV	NC	Jacksonville	1450	WQNT	SC	Charleston
1300	WLNC	NC	Laurinburg	1450	WCRS	SC	Greenwood
1300	WSYD	NC	Mount Airy	1450	WHSC	SC	Hartsville
1300	WCKI	SC	Greer	1450	WQJM	SC	Myrtle Beach
1300	WKSC	SC	Kershaw	1450	KCLX	WA	Colfax
1310	WISE	NC	Asheville	1460	WRKB	NC	Kannapolis
1310	WTIK	NC	Durham	1460	WEWO	NC	Laurinburg
1310	WDKD	SC	Kingstree	1460	WBCU	SC	Union
1320	WCOG	NC	Greensboro	1470	WVBS	NC	Burgaw
1320	WKRK	NC	Murphy	1470	WWBG	NC	Greensboro
1330	WANG	NC	Havelock	1470	WTOE	NC	Spruce Pine
1330	WPJS	SC	Conway	1470	WQXL	SC	Columbia
1340	WJRI	NC	Lenoir	1480	WGFY	NC	Charlotte
1340	WAGR	NC	Lumberton	1480	WZFB	NC	Fair Bluff
1340	WCBQ	NC	Oxford	1480	WPFJ	NC	Franklin
1340	WLSG	NC	Wilmington	1480	WYRN	NC	Louisburg
1340	WPOL	NC	Winston-Salem	1480	WZJY	SC	Mount Pleasant
1340	WQSC	SC	Charleston	1490	WLOE	NC	Eden
1340	WRHI	SC	Rock Hill	1490	WAZZ	NC	Fayetteville
1350	WWRN	NC	Black Mountain	1490	WWNB	NC	New Bern
1350	WHIP	NC	Mooreville	1490	WSTP	NC	Salisbury
1350	WLLY	NC	Wilson	1490	WSVM	NC	Valdese
1360	WCHL	NC	Chapel Hill	1490	WWIL	NC	Wilmington
1360	WELP	SC	Easley	1490	WGCD	SC	Chester
1370	WWLG	MD	Pikesville	1490	WJDJ	SC	Hartsville
1370	WLLN	NC	Lillington	1500	WEAC	SC	Gaffney
1380	WTOB	NC	Winston-Salem	1510	KMRF	MO	Marshfield
1380	WAGS	SC	Bishopville	1510	WEAL	NC	Greensboro
1380	WPCH	SC	North Augusta	1520	WDSL	NC	Mocksville
1390	WEED	NC	Rocky Mount	1520	WGMA	NC	Spindale
1390	WJRM	NC	Troy	1520	WKMG	SC	Newberry
1400	WKEW	NC	Greensboro	1530	WRTP	NC	Chapel Hill
1400	WSIC	NC	Statesville	1530	WOBX	NC	Wanchese
1400	WMXF	NC	Waynesville	1530	WASC	SC	Spartanburg
1400	WCOS	SC	Columbia	1540	WTXY	NC	Whiteville
1400	WPFM	SC	Darlington	1540	WYNC	NC	Yanceyville
1400	WKDY	SC	Spartanburg	1550	WBFJ	NC	Winston-Salem
1410	WEGO	NC	Concord	1550	WCLY	NC	Raleigh
1410	WVCB	NC	Shallotte	1560	WYZZ	NC	Dobson
1410	WPCC	SC	Clinton	1560	WAHT	SC	Clemson
1420	WMYN	NC	Mayodad	1570	WNCA	NC	Siler City
1420	WVOT	NC	Wilson	1570	WTLK	NC	Taylorsville
1430	WMNC	NC	Morgantown	1590	WVOE	NC	Chadbourn
1430	WRXO	NC	Roxboro	1590	WCSL	NC	Cherryville
1430	WBLR	SC	Batesburg	1590	WCAM	SC	Camden
1430	WNFO	SC	Ridgeland	1600	WIDU	NC	Fayetteville
1440	WBLA	NC	Elizabethtown	1600	WTZQ	NC	Hendersonville
1440	WLXN	NC	Lexington	1600	WKZK	SC	North Augusta
1440	WGVL	SC	Greenville	1600	WFIS	SC	Fountain Inn

ODDS AND ENDS

- As the Holiday Season approaches, the Staff of AM Switch wishes everyone peace and joy, and all the best for a DX-filled New Year.
- DXers out west have been hearing XEKT, Tecate, BCN on 560. What's the big deal? They're supposed to be on 550!! The FCC still has them listed on 1600. It looks as if they are just shopping for a good frequency.

- It has been reported that KVDL-1150 Quanah, Texas is silent.
- A bad ice storm swept through northern Georgia the week of December 1st and toppled the tower of WFOM-1230 Marietta. Their programming, which was simulcast on WALR-1340 Atlanta, continues. A new tower is in the planning stages.
- Rumor has it that KSQP-1450, Pierre, South Dakota will sign on with a talk format in January. Facilities are U1 1000/1000. Another Graveyarder to add to the list!
- Thanks, and a tip of the old AM Switch Santa Hat go to Shawn Axelrod, Ken Chatterton, Perry Crabill, Wayne Heinen, and Tim Noonan.

**Special: from Greg Hardison's
Broadcast Update: XEKT/ Tecate**

Here's the scoop: circa 1973 the Mexican government allocated 560 kHz for use in Tecate. There was some question of short-spacing, to KBLU/560 in Yuma, Arizona, but such questions were rendered moot by the fact that the station was never built ... until this week. The move of XEKT (originally at 1600 kHz, with little or no signal even in San Diego) to 550 was probably the result of a smudged "6" becoming a "5" on some obscure document issued in the D.F.; thus the goof was made. As of yesterday, XEKT is putting an equal-to-550 signal into the San Fernando Valley ... on 560. This should reduce interference to the Saul Levine-brokered XESURF in Tijuana on 540, and will help Clear Channel in Phoenix, victims of co-channel interference to their KFYI, anywhere outside Downtown Phoenix. CC also owns the now-ill-fated KBLU in Yuma; perhaps our friends across the border are harboring a CC-fixation? At any rate, that's the story ... the station never was a "pirate", but was ostensibly the result of a sloppy procedure, fulfilling a 30-year-old allocation.

NRC
Contest

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An annual DX contest which encourages DX'ing and offers prizes

Hello, everyone, and welcome to my first regular column as the NRC Contest Manager. It has been a fairly quiet month in terms of entries, which just means that the contest is still wide open!

So, here, without any further ado, are the standings based on loggings up to and including November 30, 2003.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>State/Province</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Position last month</u>
1.	Wayne Heinen*	CO	251	1
2.	Garret Wollman	MA	44	2
3.	Mike Clancy	NJ	43	4
4.	Nancy Johnson	MT	28	3
5.	David B. Jones	TN	10	5

* note that Wayne Heinen is an NRC Director, and has declared himself ineligible for any prizes. He is entering the contest sheerly for the fun of it.

As I mentioned earlier, the contest is still wide open, with only one point separating second and third. If you are in or near a big city, just a brief bandscan can put you right in the thick of things. Also, with conditions improving (hopefully) along with longer night time hours, it might not take much to get your totals really rolling along. And remember, most every station type is eligible (save for TIS, airport beacons, pirates and Part 15 stations), including those 50,000 watt blowtorches that we all wish would go silent once in a blue moon so that we could log something else on the frequency from time to time! So, potentially, the sky is the limit in terms of loggings. Send them in! And as special note to all Canadian readers, remember that American stations count as two points from up here!

In closing, I would be remiss if I didn't take a moment to wish everyone a joyous, happy, and above all safe holiday season. May 2004 bring us all plenty of time to DX, excellent listening conditions, along with peace, serenity and all the happiness and health that we see everybody in 2004, by which time I should have a web site up which will list the standings so that people can check things out between columns. More details next column.

Domestic DX Digest

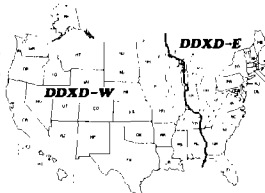
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between East and
Central time zones)



DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-hr. ELT

DDXD-West

RANDOM STUFF

- Shawn Axelrod and Wayne McCrea went on another DXpedition to Vallhalla Beach in Manitoba, and they have some terrific DX to report, like the Brooklyn pirate on 1710! And Dale Park gives us a taste of what domestic DXing is like from our fiftieth state.
- Repeating my note from last column, please note these early deadlines: December 23 and 30. Upcoming frequency challenge frequencies/deadlines for loggings include 840/December 23, 880/December 30, and 890/January 7. Listen and report your results!
- Thanks to all of our contributors, and your loggings are welcome here! Please follow the format you see below, including *all* pertinent information—frequency, call, state, city, date and time of reception, and details of your catch. **And please use ELT for all times**, no matter what your local time zone.

REPORTERS.

- BD-WI Bill Dvorak, Madison. Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.
 BF-IL Barry Finkel, Chicago. Yaesu FRG-7700, McKay Dymek DA-5 loop.
 DP-HI Dale Park, Honolulu. Sangean ATS-818CS, Terk AM1000 loop.
 DP-HI* Dale Park DXing in East Honolulu with Honda car radio.
 JJR-WI John J. Rieger, South Milwaukee. Icom R75, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner/preamp.
 JS-MT John Sampson vacationing and DXing in Bozeman. Icom IC-R3. (Welcome!-Ed.)
 SP-WI Sheryl Paszkiewicz, Manitowoc. Drake R8, Select-a-Tenna. (Welcome!-Ed.)
 VALDX-MB Shawn Axelrod and Wane McCrae on a DXpedition at Vallhalla Beach. Two Icom R70s, various wires and beverages, MFJ-1026 phasing units.
 WH-CO Wayne Heinen, Aurora. Drake R8B, N/S flag, E/W flag, SuperPhaser II, a few random wires, QuickRecorder, partridge, pear tree, etc.
 Ed.-NV Ye Editor, Las Vegas. Drake R8B, Sony ICF-2010 w/Kiwa filters, Quantum loop & phaser.

FREQUENCY CHALLENGE RESULTS—830 kHz

- 830 WFNO LA Norco. 12/09 0000. After listening for a few nights and hearing SS, I finally got an ID with the call letters, frequency, and slogan "La Fabulosa". In WCCO null. (BF-IL)

OMMIGAWD, A PIRATE!!

- 1710 Pirate NY New York. 12/07 0605. Poor signals with religious talk program from the Lubavitcher pirate station. New. (VALDX-MB)

UNID & HELP REQUESTED

- 610 UNID ?? ???? 11/24 0611. Sears Home Center ad; what sounded like "Best of Coast to Coast AM" with fill-in host Art Bell; underneath KFRC. KONA-WA? Very poor. (DP-HI)

TIS, HAR, ETC.

- 1600 WPW707 MT Bozeman. 10/18; TIS, announcing itself as the "Galletin County Emergency Advisory Radio Station", announcement to tune to the station in the event of an emergency, interspersed by broadcasts from the local NOAA Weather Radio station; actual location not given but assumed to be in or close to Bozeman as very strong at our son's house there. (JS-MT)
 1610 WPTC509 WY Rawlins. 12/06 2210. Poor signals with welcome to Rawlins information. (VALDX-MB)

REGULAR DX LOGGINGS (times in ELT)

- 540 KNMX NM Las Vegas. 11/15 0418. Mexican vocals, mentioned 540, KNMX IDs, peaked 0435. I know this is an old logging but is my first one to NRC in years and a new state for me. (SP-WI) New state?? In that case, congratulations! (Ed.-NV)
- 560 KSFO CA San Francisco. 12/07 0630. Sean Hannity inviting listeners to his book signing at Barnes & Noble in Hillsborough Mall in San Mateo; slogan "Talk Radio with Something You Really Want to Talk About, Hot Talk 5-60 KSFO;" PSA for Cancer Funds of America, ad for World of Carpet, liner; back to "Coast To Coast AM Weekend with Art Bell" with Joe Jackson music as segue; slightly ahead of KQNG-570. Fair to poor. (DP-HI)
- 590 KOMJ NE Omaha. 12/05 2300. Out of NOS Music "Magic 590 is KOMJ 590 Omaha" to CNN Radio News. This is notable in that it's the first time I've heard the call sign! Needed for the NRC Contest logging. (WH-CO)
- 610 CHTM MB Thompson. 12/07 0030. Good clear signals the best ever with "6-10 CHTM" ID. Very rare here. (VALDX-MB)
- 610 KNML NM Albuquerque. 12/06 2352. Basketball game and IDs as "The Sports Animal" (VALDX-MB)
- 620 KPOJ OR Portland. 11/25 0557. Oldie "Let The Midnight Special"; man with ID "...This is KPOJ Portland," into network news, back to oldies at 0603. Was noted the night before with oldies, promo "...playing golden oldies, and remember this?" and bits of tunes including "Peter Gunn Theme", outro "...golden oldies on Super 62," also ad for Grocery Outlet with location in Milwaukee." Poor. New; always tentatively logged as KEWS or KTLK. KIPA still silent. (DP-HI)
- 620 KTAR AZ Phoenix. 11/26 0601. Tentative. Network newscast; at 0604 local news with woman saying "KTAR," possible ads; at 0607 tape-delayed "America in the Morning." Show listing on KTAR website fits but I need more details before counting this. Poor to very poor; "ripply" fading, KPOJ underneath. (DP-HI)
- 670 KIRN CA Simi Valley. 12/06 2240. Poor signals with Middle Eastern music program. New. (VALDX-MB)
- 720 KDWN NV Las Vegas. 12/05 2159. Full ToH ID equal to WGN with KSAH a weak third. (WH-CO) 11/28 2348. Football handicapping show "Against The Spread" with Marc Lawrence; ads for ITT Technical Institute, Profit Electrical of Las Vegas, show mentioning "K-Dawn"; station disclaimer, ad for Imperial Palace Auto Collection; ID "...located inside the Plaza Inn...you're listening to KDWN Las Vegas"; into betting show hosted by Seat Williams and sponsored by Stardust Sports and Racing Book. Fair; somewhat fluttery, KUAI off all night. (DP-HI*)
- 730 CHMJ BC Vancouver. 11/27 0555. Promo for show at 9 am "on Mojo R.," "Mojo R. Reality Check" about hockey analyst Don Cherry; Vancouver-area traffic, local news, wx forecast, back to repeat of "Sportszone" on "Talk Radio for Guys, AM 7-30 Mojo R." with host talking to CKNW reporter regarding proposed hockey game in B.C. Place Stadium. Poor; KUAI-720 and local QRM. (DP-HI)
- 860 KARS NM Belen. 12/06 2345. Good signals on top with country music and lots of local ads and ID. (VALDX-MB)
- 910 KNEW CA Oakland/San Francisco. 11/28 2357. Promo featuring Clint Eastwood calling in to Micheal Savage, promoting the fact that when Savage switched his show to KNEW, listener Eastwood switched with him to "Talk 9-10 KNEW." (Also uses slogan "The Bay Area's New Talk Station.") Fair to good! (DP-HI*)
- 930 KSDN SD Aberdeen. 12/02 0600. Ending local spots, full ID and ABC News. Soon faded; hadn't been heard here in years. (WH-CO)
- 930 WBEN NY Buffalo. 12/6 0100. Fair, weather, "Coast to Coast AM" show. "NewsRadio 930 WBEN." (JJR-WI)
- 940 KVSH NE Valentine. 12/02 1954. Local spots and call ID. First time heard here since the 70's. (WH-CO)
- 940 CJGX SK Yorkton. 12/04 CLT 0500. "940 CJGX (Sheridan?) - Yorkton Serving Saskatchewan and Manitoba, we are GX-94" and local news. Loud most of the remainder on the morning. (WH-CO)



960	CFAC	AB	Calgary. 12/06 2100. Ending SPT talk show "This is CFAC 960 AM Calgary 'The Fan 960' a division of Rogers Broadcasting" and more SPT. Loud. (WH-CO)
970	KGET	CA	Bakersfield. 11/29 0025. "Best of Rush Limbaugh" with Rush apologizing for letting his audience down by hiding his OxyContin addiction; net ads, slogan "Newsradio 9-70 KGET," promo for "The Country Garden" talk show, ad for John's Burgers (rated "the best in Kern County"). Fair; KDBV-980 QRM. (DP-HI*) Inspired by Rush's courageous example, I'd like to take this opportunity to apologize to all NRC members for hiding my junk food addiction. (Ed.-NV)
970	KIXL	TX	Del Valle. 12/06 0005. Ending news with program notes and call ID. (WH-CO)
970	KNUU	NV	Paradise. 12/06 0258-0300. Ernie Brown "America Overnight" show to "Knews" KNUU 970 Paradise-Las Vegas and ABC News. (WH-CO) I've been to Paradise, and I find the town name to be highly ironic! (Ed.-NV)
970	KFTA	ID	Rupert. 12/06 0400. "KFTA 970 Rupert" with heavy Echo effect on EE ID to fast talking lady in SS and more music. First time here with these calls. (WH-CO)
970	WGTK	KY	Louisville. 12/7 0145. Poor; calls, AP all news format. Weak w/one other. (JJR-WI)
980	KGLN	CO	Glenwood Springs. 12/07 0500. Faded up with ID to CNN Headline news. First time ever at night here. (WH-CO)
980	KRTX	TX	Rosenberg-Richmond. 12/07 0200. Dominant most of the morning with heavily processed EE ID's on the hour and mentions of Tejano 980 between songs. (WH-CO)
990	KTKT	AZ	Tucson. 12/07 1928-1930. Surprise dominating local KRKS briefly with call ID local spot and return to CNN News. (WH-CO)
1000	WLNL	NY	Horseheads. 12/5 1628-1629. Sign-off announcement including slogan "The Lighthouse" and address 3134 Lake Road, Horseheads NY 14845 (matches NRC Log). Fair signal in WMVP null. New. (BD-WI)
1020	KOIL	NE	Plattsmouth. 12/06 1702. Good signals with country music. ID'd as "You're locked on Coil Country." New. (VALDX-MB)
1060	KHBC	HI	Hilo. 11/28 2355. Noted weakly with jazz; sounded like a 500-watt-or-less signal. Heck, KTCT-1050 and KNX-1070 were much stronger! (DP-HI*) This had a really crummy signal even in Pahoia during my last trip to the Big Island. (Ed.-NV)
1080	KSLI	UT	Price. 12/06 0850-0900. C&W music many "AM 1080" slogans between songs. "KSLI AM 1080 Price Castle Country KASL" Sounded like they mentioned a FM // but the call ID was pretty weak in the sunrise fade. First time here with these calls. (WH-CO)
1100	KFAX	CA	San Francisco/Fremont. 12/08 0600. Richard Marx PSA about lung cancer, back to "Pacific Coast Late Night on AM 11 Hundred KFAQ, Your One Stop For Christian Talk For Over 40 Years"; into infomercial hosted by KABC-790's Al Rantel for progesterone cream. Fair; KAOI-1110 QRM, no Marshall Islands. (DP-HI)
1120	WBNW	MA	Concord. 12/9 1955-2000. Classic country music, legal ID // WPLM 1390 MA. Weak but clear in the null of a very attenuated KMOX signal. New. (BD-WI)
1170	WLBH	IL	Mattoon. 12/1 1856-1900. Christmas music, legal ID including slogan "Unforgettable 1170." Poor, using its PSSA, and in the clear after WFDL signed off two minutes earlier. New. (BD-WI)
1180	WVLZ	TN	Knoxville. 12/06 1710. Poor with ESPN programming. Finally got this one after months of trying. New. (VALDX-MB)
1230	WJBC	IL	Bloomington. 12/06 2205. Red Birds Basketball game. (VALDX-MB)
1290	KCUB	AZ	Tucson. 12/05 0000. Quick "KCUB AM 1290 Tucson" and into Fox Sports (WH-CO)
1320	KXYZ	TX	Houston. 12/07 2200. Full KXYZ 1320 Houston ID to "Radio Unica" promos dominated most of the morning. (WH-CO)
1320	KFNZ	UT	Salt Lake City. 12/08 0800. Surfaced with "KFNZ Salt Lake AM 1320 You're Sports Leader" and gone. First time with these calls; my sixth set of calls for this one. (WH-CO)

1340	WJPF	IL	Herrin. 12/06 1940. ESPN programming and full ID. New. (VALDX-MB)
1380	WKJG	IN	Fort Wayne. 12/2 1757-1800. ESPN promos, ID including slogan "Fort Wayne's ESPN Radio 1380," into ESPN Sports Center. Fair on a crowded frequency. First time heard using these calls, ex-WONO, WHWD, WQHK. (BD-WI)
1390	WNIO	OH	Youngstown. 12/5 1930. Fair, no WGCI at all. Calls, NOS. (JJR-WI)
1450	WLEC	OH	Sandusky. 12/06 1900. Poor signals with ID on the hour. New. (VALDX-MB)
1460	WBNS	OH	Columbus. 12/06 1706. Fair signals with ESPN programming and ads for Ohio National Guard. New. (VALDX-MB)
1490	KQDS	MN	Duluth. 12/6 2200. Poor with CNN all news format, calls. (JJR-WI)
1510	KGA	WA	Spokane. 12/03 2325. Tentative; Gonzaga U. basketball at U. of Washington, faded out, then heard ads for mortgage company, Spokane Fireplace; back to game. ID missed. Poor; KUMU-1500 QRM. (DP-HI*)
1530	KFBK	CA	Sacramento. 11/29 0135. Man with Sacramento-area traffic, "KFBK Weathercast" provided by KCRA-TV Ch. 3 weatherman. Poor; heavy KREA-1540 QRM. (DP-HI*)
1560	KNZR	CA	Bakersfield. 12/01 0627. "Coast to Coast Weekend" w/Art Bell with guest John Lear // KAOI-1110, KQNG-570 (not KHVH-830); "A Moment of Joy" with Dr. Joy Browne; ads for Blue E-my, Mylanta, promo for C2CAM w/George Noory with tagline "At 10 pm on KNZR"; Army National Guard PSA, annc. "...on the home of 'The Radio Factor,' KNZR-AM"; back to Art Bell with Moody Blues mx as segue. Fair to very poor; deep fades. (DP-HI)
1590	WNTS	IN	Beech Grove. 12/06 1625. Good signals with lite music selections and ID. (VALDX-MB)
1600	WWRL	NY	New York. 12/9 1855-1900. Call-in show hosted by Sam Greenfield just ending, legal ID, news (lead story Al Gore endorses Howard Dean at Harlem rally). Good, nearly alone signal in unusual conditions that favored Mid-Atlantic stations. New. (BD-WI)
1640	WTNI	MS	Biloxi. 12/03 0725. Newstalk 1640 WTNI, weather for Biloxi, Classy Chassis ad, historical news from Census Bureau. New. (SP-WI)
1650	KWHN	AR	Ft. Smith. 12/07 0834. Newstalk 1650 KWHN, weather, call in show w/woman host, ad for Morning Show w/Darin & Bob. New (SP-WI)
1660	WBHE	NC	Charlotte. 12/06 1815. Poor signals in a mess with sports programming u/WQSN. Now on the air. New. (VALDX-MB)

VOX POPULI

Shawn Axelrod has these comments about his recent DXpedition (see loggings above): "Well quite a DXpedition!! Lots of new stations and TA's a TP and Pan Am DX all in one trip. The best conditions in months for us. The conditions were fluxing up and down. Logged Cuba then gone and never heard again. Mexicans showed up later. The ones above were the rarer catches more were heard but are more common. Also good skip into the USA for new stations including some long time targets like KOIL WVLZ. Nice to log a pirate station too from NY. All that DX and an easy trip in. Almost no snow (maybe 1 inch) so we drove our cars to the bus over the open farm field that doubles as an antenna farm all winter. We took in 12 boxes of wood for the wood stove in the DX bus which will last us the year. That and a new propane tank for the BBQ for cooking. Drove up and unloaded. In past years we have had to sled the good in across the 1200 foot field. Some trips were no fun but no wood no heat so we did it. This type of DX'ing is NOT for the faint of heart. Hoping to go out in January again. Cannot wait."

DDXD-East

REPORTERS

MKB-ON	Mike Brooker, Toronto - Grundig YB-400PE, Panasonic RF-2200.
KC-NY	Ken Chatterton, Mannsville - Grundig Yacht Boy 300PE. 4' loop, various beverage wires, home-made phaser.
BC-NH	Bruce Conti, Nashua - R8B, MWDX-5, 50/75/50-ft east/west and south Ewe antennas.
JF-ON	Jeff Falconer, Clinton - AOR AR7030+, 130' east EWE / 130' west EWE, MFJ-1026 phaser, etc.
HJH-PA	Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre - Zenith Trans Oceanic, Kiwa Pocket Loop.
KVJ-GA	Karl Jeter, Lawrenceville - HQ-150, 12-655 TRF, Quantum and Kiwa Loops.
KL-NY	Kenneth Lyon, Lockport - Zenith Console and Longwire.
HN-GA	Herbert Newberry, Milledgeville - Kenwood R-5000 Receiver, 700' Longwire in X Lay-



out, Quantum Pro QX Loop, Quantum Phaser.
RR-NC Rick Robinson, Hendersonville - Icom R75 with MWDX5 Phasing Controller, 3 BOG Antennas, Quantum QX Pro Loop and Quantum Phaser.
JV-NY Joe Vega, on the Verrazano Narrows Bridge between Staten Island and Brooklyn - 2000 Toyota Sienna with CCrane Loaded Coil Antenna.

CLEAR CHANNEL CHALLENGE – 830 kHz

830 **WFNO LA Norco** – 12/4 1738 – “La Fabulosa”, mix of SS:AC and SS: Tropical music. Male and female DJ banter, mentions of New Orleans. On longwire at LSS. Not a regular sunset visitor. (HN-GA)
 + 12/6 1900 - Booming signal covering up WTRU, TOH EE ID, “WFNO, 8-30 on your AM dial”, then into SS with many mentions of “La Fabulosa”. (RR-NC)
WCRN MA Worcester - 12/5 1700 - Excellent; “Swing 830 WCRN Worcester, Framingham, Boston” into AP network news. (BC-NH)
WCCO MN Minneapolis – 12/3 1919 – once again dominant following CFJR’s move to FM, with promo for Twins season tickets, ad for CompUSA, into “WCCO sports tonight” talking about the Twins’ prospects for 2004. (MKB-ON)
 + 12/3 1922 – Ad for Whitson Jewelers in Bloomington, MN, followed by promo for “the WCCO Holiday for the Rat Pack with Sinatra and friends.” Fair in WTRU null. (RR-NC)
 + 12/4 1900 – ID at TOH “Newstalk 830, WCCO Minneapolis” into CBS News. Heard during a WTRU fade, would be dominant if WTRU was off. On longwire. (HN-GA)
 + 12/5 2020 - Tentative; sports talk, “Call Mike now at...” difficult with local WCRN now 50 kW fulltime. (BC-NH)
KOTC MO Kennett – 12/4 1712 – C & W music, frequent slogan “Cotton Country.” A regular LSS visitor. “Your kind of country, pure country 830.” (HN-GA)
WTRU NC Kernersville – 12/4 1744 – Local ad for Springfield Baptist Church in Winston-Salem. In the mix at LSS, but they tend to dominate at night. On longwire, loop and phaser. (HN-GA)
 + 12/6 1900 – “Hear the White Horse Inn on AM 8-30 WTRU Kernersville, Winston-Salem, Greensboro, High Point.” Dominant daytime signal and apparently regular cheater at night. (RR-NC)
WKTX OH Cortland - 12/5 1700 - Sign off announcement with call ID, mention of “830 kilocycles” and office at “11906...” under WCRN. New! (BC-NH)
UNID — — - 12/6 1905 – Fair SS signal underneath the SS of WFNO. Cuba? (RR-NC)

UNID AND PRESUMED

810 **WEKGp KY Jackson** – 12/2 1705 – presumed, no AM IDs, just “Country 97” slogan (// WJSN, 97.3). Satellite-fed oldies. Excellent on longwire way over WGY at LSS. Lost at LSS, before a legal AM ID. New. (HN-GA)
 850 **WDJcP AL Birmingham** – 12/4 1508 – “you’re listening to The Truth, 850.” Gospel music, in the sloop with several other stations. Poor, on longwire. (HN-GA)
 900 **UNID** — — - 12/5 1924 – under partially-nulled CHML with C&W songs, slogan “classic country” into song by Anne Murray. Not Sherbrooke, PQ, as CKTS is // news-talk CJAD-800. (MKB-ON)
 1440 **WFNYp NY Gloversville** - 12/6 1950 – Presumed, poor with QRN and sloop from CHKT-1430 Oldies. (KC-NY)

STATION LOGGINGS

600 **WSJS NC Winston-Salem** – 11/30 0022 – Singing jingle with call sign. On top of background on longwire. (HN-GA)
 610 **WEZN AL Birmingham** – 12/3 0216 – with WIOD on longwire, this in on loop with WIOD nulled. UC:Gospel music and live DJ, several “WEZN” mentions. Poor, new. (HN-GA)
 670 **WIEZ PA Lewistown** – 11/30 1520 – in very well with oldies. “This is the home of legendary performers, WIEZ, 670.” In the clear with no sign of WSCR. Unusual conditions. (KL-NY)
 720 **WGCR NC Pisgah Forest** – 12/2 1645 – birthdays and local events calendar on “Gospel

Carolina Radio, WGCR.” Mention of potential snow/ice event this week-end. On longwire, slow fades. First time this season. (HN-GA)
 730 **WPIT PA Pittsburgh** – 12/9 1659 – blasting in with ad for Piano Expresso learn-at-home piano playing kit, top of hour ID: “the Dave Ramsey show is coming back after the news on 73 WPIT Pittsburgh” into SRN news. (MKB-ON)
 740 **WQTM FL Orlando** – 11/30 1905 – “ESPN radio for Orlando”, then “NFL Football on ESPN Radio.” New, at LSS on longwire. KRMG, KTRH and CHWO usually duke it out. (HN-GA)
 750 **WBMD MD Baltimore** – 12/6 1745 – Fait to poor, ending “Maryland Polka Train” then into “Focus”. Slogan “Maryland’s Voice of Christianity”. (HJH-PA)
 760 **WCIS NC Morganton** - 12/5 0753 - PSA for coat drive for the needy, “Powerhouse” slogan. (KVJ-GA)
WLCC FL Brandon - 12/5 1719 - SS music and ads for Publix Supermarkets and Verizon Wireless, then traffic report. (KVJ-GA)
 770 **WLWL NC Rockingham** - 12/5 1800 - Sign-off heard with slogan, “The Big Wave”. (KVJ-GA)
 780 **CFDR NS Dartmouth** – 12/2 1711 – C & W music, “Classic Country 780 Kixx”, splash from WABC. (KL-NY)
WIIN MS Ridgeland - 12/5 1744 - Noted with Christmas music, “The New Memories 780” and “Jackson’s Christmas music station”. It’s too bad their try at an all-blues format didn’t succeed! (KVJ-GA)
 790 **WQXI GA Atlanta** – 12/3 1700 – over nulled CIGM with ad for the Original Mattress Factory and promo for Georgia Tech basketball on “790 the Zone, Atlanta’s sports radio”. (MKB-ON)
 800 **WPJM SC Greer** – 11/26 1839 – in very jumbled background, DJ popped up in the clear with “W-P-J-M”. Signal in and out. UC-GOS music. Some WJAJ mixing in. New, on longwire just past LSS. (HN-GA)
 840 **WCEO SC Columbia** – 12/4 1446 – “Clark Howard Show on WCEO.” Alone on channel, on longwire. A distant regular daytimer. (HN-GA)
 850 **KEYH TX Houston** – 11/30 0100 – Extremely dominant with SS:Tropical music, blasting in here every night, suspect a by-product of auroral conditions. Caught ID on tape at TOH: “KEYH, Houston and ...” Also “la casa cubia”. (HN-GA)
 860 **WBGR MD Baltimore** – 12/6 1758 – ID with time check. Gospel format. Fair to weak. (HJH-PA)
 870 **WWL LA New Orleans** - 12/11 1707 - Signal excellent only for a few moments; caught directly in the middle of the Verazano Narrows Bridge. ID: “WWL 870 AM”. Then faded out. (JV-NY)
 890 **WKNV VA Fairlawn** – 12/5 1648 – creaming nulled WLS with country gospel song, slogan “890 Joy AM” and local weather by female announcer, PSA for Teach Virginia special education initiative mentioning www.teachvirginia.org website, into “Power of the Word” gospel talk. (MKB-ON)
 910 **WTMZ SC Dorchester Terrace/Brent** – 11/27 0230 – in jumble with singing jingle “W-T-M-Z”. With seasonal music, on longwire. New, unexpected. (HN-GA)
 920 **WLIV TN Livingston** – 12/4 1635 – popped up over WTCW with “Country 920, W-L-I-V.” C & W music, on longwire. New. (HN-GA)
 940 **CINW QC Montreal** – 12/3 0329 – local newscast on “Montreal’s 940 News.” New. Good on longwire, loop and phaser. (HN-GA)
 960 **WTGM MD Salisbury** – 12/3 1930 – over pests WFIR and CFFX with ID during break in action of Maryland v. Penn State women’s basketball game: “this is Maryland Terrapins basketball on WTGM.” (MKB-ON)
 980 **WAZS SC Summerville** – 11/30 0200 – Brief legal ID at TOH “WAZS, Summerville”. SS:Mexican music, better on longwire. New. (HN-GA)
 1040 **WWBA FL Pinellas Park** - 12/8 0723 - The “Morning Magazine” program, Michael Savage Show promo, and “Newstalk 1040 and AM-1470”. (KVJ-GA)
 1050 **WFBN NY Baldwinsville** - 12/10 1600 - Good with Sean Hannity talk show and ID. New // WFBL-1390. (KC-NY)
 1080 **KRLD TX Dallas** – 11/27 0250 – “it’s 58 at KRLD”, on longwire. Poor for 50 kw, suspect auroral conditions. First time this season. (HN-GA)
 1160 **WCCS PA Homer City** – 12/6 0913 – “Oldies Attic” and lots of local public service spots. (KL-NY)

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1230 WCMC NJ Wildwood - 12/11 1645 - on top with ID "one great song after another on WCMC" then "Let It Snow". (JF-ON)
- WSAL IN Logansport - 12/10 1830 - alone with NOS music, "WSAL" jingle, Karen Carpenter song. New! (JF-ON)
- WTCJ IN Tell City - 12/10 1834 - bubbling up from time to time with Christmas music and IDs "the best of the season from WTCJ 1230 and WVJS 1420". New! (JF-ON)
- WHOP KY Hopkinsville - 12/10 1900 - contrary to Murphy, this one faded up at ID time with "WHOP, News Radio 1230, Hopkinsville, Kentucky", into CBS news and gone. New! (JF-ON)
- WCMA MS Corinth - 12/10 1912 - faded up with "... here in ... Mississippi, WCMA radio 1230" into oldie by Canadian band Lighthouse. New! Four new ones on 1230 in about 45 minutes! (JF-ON)
- 1320 WAMR FL Venice - 11/27 0300 - "1320 WAMR, Venice", into ESPN news. Then "1320, WAMR, ESPN radio." On top of the slop on longwire. First time from this location. (HN-GA)
- 1390 WFBL NY Syracuse - 12/8 2205 - This call sign returns with talk format. Ex WDCW. Ended Mike Gallagher Show at 2000 then CNN News. Slogan: "More Power, More Talk." (HJH-PA)
+ 12/10 1530 - Dood with Sean Hannity talk show and ID. // WFBN-1050. (KC-NY)
- 1420 WRCG GA Columbus - 12/2 1806 - "Newstalk 1420, WRCG", into local sports talk. New on longwire. Not a daytimer here. (HN-GA)
- WBSM MA New Bedford - 12/7 1745 - Fair with snowstorm announcements. (HJH-PA)
- 1440 WLWI AL Montgomery - 11/25 0239 - ad for insurance company in Montgomery that "insures most of Montgomery's police and firemen." Station promo "newstalk 1440, WLWI", back to talk show. Sloppy conditions. Poor on longwire. New. (HN-GA)
- 1470 WTKO NY Ithaca - 11/25 1605 - oldies format, ID after every song, "this is your favorite oldies station, 1470 WTKO." (KL-NY)
- 1520 WKWH IN Shelbyville - 11/25 0200 - "Classic hits" then legal ID "WKWH, Shelbyville", followed by CBS network time pip and CBS News. Excellent signal nested between WLAL-1510 slop and IBOX hash of WSAI-1530. 10 over on longwire. Excellent for presumed 250 W night authorization. New, unexpected! (HN-GA)
- 1560 WINT FL Melbourne - 11/30 1730 - "The music of your life, WINT", briefly in, then gone behind WTKN. New, on phaser, at LSS. (HN-GA)
- WTKN AL Daleville - 11/30 1732 - Southern gospel music, funeral announcements, local ads for Enterprise, AL (just south of Daleville). New, on phaser at LSS. (HN-GA)
- WPAD KY Paducah - 12/2 1819 - just past LSS, on top of slop with PSA for children's charity and "you're listening to ... WPAD." On longwire, new. (HN-GA)
- 1570 WGSR FL Fernandia Beach - 11/30 1742 - "Sporting news ra-di-o" and "The Winner, 1570" on loop, new. (HN-GA)
- WNCR NC Siler City - 12/3 1837 - Country music and community bulletin board, with female announcer. (KVJ-GA)
- WPTW OH Piqua - 12/3 1841 - Noted briefly with an ID under WNCR. (KVJ-GA)
- WLBJ IN New Albany - 12/10 1824 - alone with blues, ID "the best in blues on the all new WLBJ." Ex WZCC, WXLN for me. (JF-ON)
- 1580 WGYM NJ Hammonton - 11/28 0616 - Don Williams show, // WOND. ID. Good signal. (KL-NY)
- WHLY IN South Bend - 12/5 1800 - Fair with ID and Christmas music. (HJH-PA)
+ 12/7 0700 - over usual pest WPGC with top of hour ID: "America's best music, Radio Hollywood WHLY South Bend" into CNN news. (MKB-ON)
- 1620 KOZN NE Bellevue - 12/4 0929 - ESPN. "1620 The Zone in Omaha." Some deep fades but returned with readable signal each time. (KL-NY)
- 1660 WFNA NC Charlotte - 12/11 0900 - in mess with quick "WFNA, Charlotte" at the top of the hour, sport headlines with "The Franchise" slogan given several times. Ex WBHE. (JF-ON)

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Transatlantic DX

- 153 NORWAY NRK Ingøy DEC 6 2152 - Poor signals with music and talk. [Axelrod-MB]
- 162 FRANCE RFI Alloius DEC 6 2140 - Good signals with classical music program. [Axelrod-MB]
- 189 ICELAND Ríkissímtvarpid, Gufuskálar DEC 6 2142 - Good signals with rock music programming. [Axelrod-MB]

Pan-American DX

- 550 MEXICO XEKTT Tecate, BCN NOV 24 1039 - Tentative; romantica and Mexi-pop music underneath or level with KMVI; faded out at 1044 and returned at 1045. Thought I heard country music at 1053 (KUZZ?). Poor to very poor. Loggings in the IRCA's *DX Monitor* Nov 29 point to XEKTT. [Park-HI]
- 640 CUBA R.Progreso, Guanabacoa DEC 7 0100 - Cuban music program and *Progreso* IDs. [Axelrod-MB]
- 640 MEXICO XEJUA Super Estelar, Cd. Juárez, Chih DEC 4 0045 - Production slogan, "Desde Ciudad Juárez por lo con lo mejor de los mejores (electronic zaps) Super Estelar," and continued with grupera music. At 0401 promo for air personality Pedro Fernandez, followed by production ID with very deep voiced but distinctive announcer: "Ésta es la geneladora (?) de la música grupera, más espectacular de la radio (carbon mike: no-no-no sidesificamos (?) contigo)." Then two voices alternating, "Estación. Super Estelar. Frecuencia. Seiscento cuarenta de AM. La Titular. XEJUA. Potencia. Cinco mil wats," followed by, "Diez ocho radio música continuá desde la frontera mas dogada (?), Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua. Fresco, original y diferencia a traves Sup-Sup-Super Estelar, seiscentos cuarenta de AM, una emisora de Multimediaes Estrellas de Oro." Then what appeared to be called "Un Poker de Ace," saying, "Aquí es la primera carta." (I've heard of radio bingo; my Spanish isn't good enough to tell if this was radio poker.) [Callarman-TX1] DEC 6 0019 - Banda tunes, "Super Estelar" slogans. Fair over another XE, presumably XEHHI, the usual dominant XE here. Splatter, as always, from local 630 KHOW. [Wilkins-CO]
- 640 MEXICO XEHHI Hioalgo del Parral DEC 7 0410 - Good signal on top with Mexican music and Uno IDs. New. [Axelrod-MB]
- 650 MEXICO XETNT Los Mochis DEC 7 0430 - Poor signal with music and ID. [Axelrod-MB]
- 690 MEXICO XEN La Seiscentos Noventa, México DF DEC 2 1147-1201 - Conditions not so good this morning, but XEN was strong, and I needed full ID on tape, so I stayed with it. At 1156 began choral version of Mexican national anthem, followed by, "En esta momento he mas personas escuchando las estaciones de Grupo Radio Centro que viendo televisión. Grupo Radio Centro, máximo audiencia en media... música... (Singer: La 69 es noticias.) XEN, seiscentos noventa AM, con cien mil wats de potencia, desde la Ciudad de México, Constituyentes 1054, Colonia Lo Mos Altas. (Singer: La 69 es noticias.) Una estación de Grupo Radio Centro, máximo de audiencio en média." Then followed show I copied as Milo Catú y (something) but XEN website shows as Nino Canun & Jacobo Zabłudovsky, launched by a rooster crow. [Callarman-TX]
- 690 MEXICO XERG Monterrey NL DEC 6 0003 - Sports talk; short Carta Blanca ad every couple of minutes; full ID at 0011 UTC. Generally fair. [Wilkins-CO]
- 710 MEXICO XEMP México DF DEC 1 0134-0202 - Male announcer talking extensively with fans on telephone, taking their requests, in XEDP null with Kansas City, Amarillo and Shreveport unusually attenuated, then playing music. The announcer talked conversationally while on the phone, then rattled on rapidly with his own patter. I did hear XEMP call letters and "La Siete-Diez" during his discourse. Buried, sad to say, at top of the hour, then lost and didn't return. New here. [Callarman-TX]
- 740 MEXICO XEGF R.Fiesta, Gutierrez Zamora, Ver DEC 1 0124-0200 - Night format slightly different from recent Sunday morning tentative log; romantic music, mostly female solo vo-

- cals on full-orchestral love songs, lady announcer, some commercials. Production ID by man includes "XEGF, Radio Fiesta... wats de potencia" at 0157. + DEC 1 2359 - Short "Radio Fiesta" jingle and "progreso... como XEGF, Radio Fiesta... número 6, en... Veracruz" squeezed through. Unlike Sunday morning Nov 30 log, cart tape cue tones were not heard. [Callarman-TX]
- 830 **MEXICO** XEITE México DF DEC 7 0400 - Good signal; *R.Capital* IDs with music and talk. New. [Axelrod-MB]
- 860 **MEXICO** XEZOL *Ocho-Sesenta Noticias*, Cd. Juárez, Chih DEC 4 0403 - Began a program detailing, in Spanish, the history of Ciudad Juárez. Later, at 0459, I tuned back and missed part of full ID, but picked up at "336 Oriente, XEZOL. XEZOL es el ochocientos sesenta - ochocientos sesenta de amplitud modulada con mil wats de potencia O-O-Ocho-Sesenta Noticias." The address, by the way, is apparently new, and same as 1420 XEF. [Callarman-TX1]
- 880 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Pinar del Río DEC 7 0102 - Music parallel 640 kHz. [Axelrod-MB]
- 890 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Chambas DEC 7 0103 - Music parallel 640. New. [Axelrod-MB]
- 900 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Cacocum DEC 7 0104 - Music parallel 640 kHz. [Axelrod-MB]
- 930 **MEXICO** XEU *La U de Veracruz*, Veracruz, Ver DEC 2 0026-0033 - Amazingly strong signal, completely readable atop this regional channel from tune-in to tune-out during news block with frequent call letter and slogan IDs. Program prior to 0030 appeared to be entitled "La Carreda de la U," announced primarily by a woman. Male announcer mentioned 73rd anniversary of XEU. A punto-mx "pagina de internet" was mentioned by woman, commercials, then production ID: "La U de Veracruz, siempre La U, comunicando la mejor de la radio durante todo el día (bulletins) música, noticias, interpretamientos (?), deportes, programas de (anaci?) y opinion, novacientos treinta kilohertz, La U (singer:XEU) XEU, La U de Veracruz." Gave temperature in both Celsius and Fahrenheit. "Radio Núcleo de Oro, 930 AM, comuncial noticieros de la U; teléfono 93-26-56 y 93-24-4? de Veracruz, marque lada 0122 en Noticia La U 930 AM." All this was followed by program entitled "Noticiera de La U." First time heard in Krum; had been heard on car radio between Denton and Krum and in the Rio Grande Valley. [Callarman-TX]
- 940 **MEXICO** XEY] Nueva Rosita, Coah DEC 3 0400 - Dominant with full call sign ID [Heinen-CO]
- 970 **MEXICO** XEJ Cd. Juarez, Chih DEC 6 0450-0501 - Finally able to get a nice tape of the full call sign, many "La Jota Mexicana" slogans between songs. Dominant. [Heinen-CO]
- 1030 **MEXICO** XEYX *Fórmula Juárez Diez-Treinta*, Cd. Juárez, Chih DEC 4 0439 - Local break had promos for several programs to be heard throughout the day on "Fórmula Juárez Diez-Treinta," but did not give call letters. ID: "Esta embra (miembre?) de Fórmula Juárez Diez-Treinta AM, transmitiendo desde sus estudios en José Borunda 1178 en Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua (Singer: Fórmula)," then promos for programs that seemed to be La Manmo Paluga, Juan Ramón Saenz, Joaquin Lopez Torres, and Alfredo Palacios, among others. [Callarman-TX1]
- 1100 **MEXICO** XENAS Navojoa, Son DEC 6 0027 - Phone chat; full ID at 0030 with call, power, address, phone number, frequency, and grupo (Radiorama Sonora); then commercials. Fair, mixing with KNZZ and one or two others. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1180 **MEXICO** XEDCH Cd. Delicias, Chih DEC 6 0057 - Romantic vocals, "Romantica 1180" slogan, two ads, then excellent ID at 0101, "Esta es XEDCH Romantica 1180, transmitiendo desde Calle 2a Norte 309, Interior 107, Ciudad Delicias, Chihuahua. Romantica 1180, una emisora mas de (sung) Radiorama de Chihuahua"; next, a 5-minute ad string was presented; at 0107 the same full ID was repeated, followed, finally, by more music. Good on peaks with no interference - best ever here. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1190 **MEXICO** XEPZ *R.Norteña*, Cd. Juárez, Chih DEC 4 0040, 0225 - Taped call letter and slogan IDs among the norteña musical selections, but did not catch a full ID on tape as I chased others. [Callarman-TX1]
- 1240 **MEXICO** XEWG *R.Amor - Doce Cuarenta*, Cd. Juárez, Chih DEC 4 0040 - Romantic music, with dedications, heard through the evening on program apparently called "Con Todo el Amor." Gave phone number 6-11-56-75 to call for requests and dedications. I did not hear call letters for this one, but slurred "Radio Amor" seems to be new slogan. At 0411, gave promo for what appeared to be a concert sponsored by "Doce Cuarenta" called "A Dinamo Acústico." Then had promo for program "En Concreto" from 7 to 10 lunes a viernes, from "Radio Siete," which I understand to be a Mexican network. [Callarman-TX1]
- 1280 **MEXICO** unID NOV 30 2359 - Probably XEAW Monterrey, apparently missed ID on very strong signal, then "Son las seis de la tarde. Esta un... de la Revolución." Started "The Lord's Prayer" in Spanish, then man and woman introducing "Noti-Oro," a newscast presented by

- Multimedia*. Signal quickly dropped into a growling heterodyne that is about as bad as that on 1320. + DEC 1 0159 - Promo for program on *Multimedios Televisión*, and several more commercials, signal dropped, but back up briefly with talk of "Petrolia... en Monterrey." I'll keep trying here, but the het is bad. [Callarman-TX]
- 1290 **MEXICO** XEDA México DF DEC 5 1200 - "XEDA en México" into singing "Radio Trece 1290" jingle. Loud on the tape then vanished. First time for this one. [Heinen-CO]
- 1300 **MEXICO** XEP *R.Trece*, Cd. Juárez, Chih DEC 1 0459 - Full ID heard very strong, sounded like, "Cinto pisa XEP, Radio Trece, Mil Trescientos de amplitud modulada, con cincuenta mil wats de poder musical, emasiendo (?) su señal desde Avenida Vicente Guerrero 2629, Colonia Parido Rómera, Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, emisora notele (?) Radio-Radio-Radio Trece, su música, Grupo Radio México," with many laser zaps and other sound effects. Some nights, though, XEP not perceptible, or very weakly heard, leading me to speculate that the 50 kW power isn't always turned on. This speculation increased while in El Paso on Dec 4-5 when XEP was one of the weakest Juárez signals, quite nullable. [Callarman-TX]
- 1320 **MEXICO** XECPN *La Mexicana*, Piedras Negras, Coah DEC 1 1858 - Completely overrode its own heterodyne growl with sobbing woman on classic Mexican ballad, then "Son las siete en punto" and full ID as noted by Wilkins in IDXD 71-09, followed by commercials for "La Casa de la Riga(?)," Miller Lite, and "Auto Pinturas Maldonado." Best reception since I heard it in the Valley last year. [Callarman-TX]
- 1420 **MEXICO** XEF *Linea Deportiva 1420*, Cd. Juárez, Chih DEC 4 0503 - Full ID after network program from what apparently is a new nationwide sports net *Estadio W* wound down. On the net, two men were talking, and seemed not to hear a cue, a cuckoo clock at 0500, nor another cue, a siren at 0502, before they began closing announcements for the program. Full ID: "Linea Deportiva XEF Linea Deportiva cuatrocientos veinte kilohertz con cinco mil wats de potencia transmitiendo (different voice: transmitiendo) desde sus instalaciones en Avenida 16 de Septiembre 336 Oriente. Linea Deportiva en la mejor frontera del mundo, Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, porque la mosión (?) de deportes es la marjia (?) de la vida. Linea Deportiva en el mil cuatro veinte de amplitud modulada. Linea Deportiva." The address as well as the slogan are new. [Callarman-TX1]
- 1430 **MEXICO** XEWD *1430 AM WD*, Cd. Miguel Alemán, Tams DEC 3 0257, 0401 - Finally pulled out decent call letter IDs on this one, though not absolutely atop the frequency. In full production ID, mentions coverage of "La Frontera, Coahuila, Nuevo León, Tamaulipas, y Tejas." Gives telephone number 9-73-05-00. Plays ranchera music, and apparently has affected programming for rival 1470 XEHI, which no longer seems to program the beautiful trio-style, nostalgic music I heard last year. [Callarman-TX]
- 1450 **MEXICO** XEOLF *R.Rancherita* DEC 9 0100 - Strong atop this graveyard frequency with man distinctly annunciating call letters and slogan, but I hadn't intended to tape anything while in Señor Redding's territory. Tried for top of the hour IDs at 0200, 0300 and 0500 without success, so I can't promise absolute certainty on the call. It's likely a change from XECU Los Mochis, Sinaloa, and probably the *R.Rancherita* I have heard in Krum. [Callarman-AZ]
- 1480 **MEXICO** XETKR *Tancherita y Regional*, Monterrey NL DEC 3 0409-0424 - During this time frame I was able to bring this one up for three segued songs, sandwiched each time around a "You're-a-dirty-robber" *R.Centro* logo theme, first bar sung by female group, second bar played instrumentally by trumpeters, then man with "Tancherita y Regional" and a different man with time check in this format: "Las diez y nueve, diez nueve." I could only pick "ocho" and "R" out of jingle, but latter part could have been "8-TKR." First time heard in Krum, but ever-so-briefly. [Callarman-TX]
- 1490 **MEXICO** XECJC *R.Net - Catorce Noventa*, Cd. Juárez, Chih DEC 4 0026-0100 - Information programming in Spanish, with items punctuated by electronic drum sounds. At 0030, "Esta es Radio Net, Catorce-Noventa, presenté La Nueva Imagen Radiofónica. En Radio Net 1490 presenté el comentario del periolista Fermín Robledo." At 0059, gave phone numbers 6-13-98-40, 6-13-50-87 and 6-13-50-89, followed by stringed music crescendo and "Usted escucha XECJC mil cuatrocientos noventa kilohertz de amplitud modulada, transmitiendo las 24 hors del día con mil wats de potencia, radiada desde sus estudios en José Borunda 1178, partido Romero, en Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, México." I understand a Mexican network, "Imagen," provides programming for stations throughout the country. [Callarman-TX1]
- 1520 **MEXICO** XEJCC *Quiniente-Veinte*, Cd. Juárez, Chih DEC 4 0015 - I don't know rock music well enough to distinguish between acid, heavy metal, fusion, etc., but this one plays hard rock in English, segued except for several different slogans, all of which include call letters and frequency, "XEJCC 1520." Strong signal from motel at milepost 16, El Paso, but after 0030, signal was weaker and nullable. Picked out lyrics from one song "I am not your rolling

wheels, I am a highway" before my ears collapsed. Perhaps someone can tell me what kind of rock this is. XEJCC is definitely not "Bonita." [Callarman-TX1]

Callarman en el camino: A seven-day trip to Arizona for holiday/birthday-oriented family reunion interrupted my search for more XE signals and left me with no time to transcribe late November/early December tapes. However, I took the DX-398 and tape recorder along with me, spent a night in El Paso on the way and taped some of the rarer Juárez stations, and, in Arizona, transcribed the tapes while sitting in the car as my 93-year-old mother, my wife and my sister went craft and antique shopping. I hope some of the material I've been able to pick up in the Valley last year and in El Paso this month can help us compare with fragments of info we may be able to hear on the crowded frequencies we monitor. Those with excellent command of the language, I hope, will forgive some of my "approximate phonetics" of what I hear, by the way. Other stations identified in El Paso included 620 XEBU *La Norteñita*, 1040 XEGYS *La Super Banda*, and unneeded in Krum 840 XEFG *La Pachanga*.

Transpacific DX

- 792 **AUSTRALIA** 4RN Brisbane DEC 1 1047 - Man interviewing woman, mentioning movie "Master and Commander," rock song "Planet Queen (It's Alright)" by T-Rex, drop-in "You're listening to... on R.National," back to interview, faded out around 1056; at 1101 ABC news by a woman, at 1105 promo requesting opinions regarding water usage, take poll at abc.net.au; station promos, "Get Back" by The Beatles and Billy Preston, into interview with man about new Beatles CD "Let It Be - Naked," at 1122 played stripped-down version of "The Long and Winding Road." Per *ABC Radio* website, I was tuned to "The Deep End" with host Francis Leach. Good to very poor; long deep fades, 790 KKON off the air since Saturday night. [Park-HI]
- 1500 **HAWAII** KUMU Honolulu DEC 7 1345 - Nostalgia, oldies music and ID. Good signals over KSTP. Only Hawaii heard, checked all the others but nothing. Quite a fitting day to hear Hawaii (Dec 7). [Axelrod-MB]

Axelrod on the beach: Well quite a DXpedition! Lots of new stations, TAs, a TP and Pan Am DX all in one trip; the best conditions in months for us. The conditions were fluxing up and down. Logged Cuba then gone and never heard again. Mexicans showed up later. The ones reported are the rarer catches, more were heard but are common. Also good skip into the USA for new stations including some long time targets like KOIL and WVLZ. All that DX and an easy trip in. Almost no snow (maybe 1 inch) so we drove our cars to the bus over the open farm field that doubles as an antenna farm all winter. We took in 12 boxes of wood for the stove in the DX bus which will last us the year. That and a new propane tank for the BBQ cooking. Drove up and unloaded. In past years we have had to sled the goods in across the 1200-foot field. Some trips were no fun; no wood, no heat, but we did it. This type of DXing is not for the faint of heart. Hoping to go out in January again. Cannot wait.

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Changes in programming status; reported by listeners

Freq	Call	Location	New Format	DX News	
	Source			960 WKVN	Quebradillas, PR SS:REL
540	WLIE	Islip, NY	BIZ/TLK	AM Switch	
	MSJ			980 WMEK	Chase City, VA REL
560	WIND	Chicago, IL	SS:CHR	MSJ	
	MSJ			980 WONE	Dayton, OH SPT
560	CFOS	Owen Sound, ON	TLK/OLD	MSJ	
	Kennedy			1000 KCEO	Vista, CA BIZ/TLK
580	WLES	Lawrenceville, VA	OLD	MSJ	
	DX News			1010 WNTK	Newport, NH C&W
680	KBRW	Barrow, AK	Eskimo/VAR	Musco	
	MSJ			1050 WSEN	Baldwinsville, NY OLD
700	WGZS	Dothan, AL	AC/EZL	MSJ	
	MSJ			1050 KMAP	Frazier Park, CA REL
710	WIGL	Saint Matthews, SC	UC:AC	MSJ	
	MSJ			1050 WLON	Lincolnton, NC SPT
730	KEZX	Medford, OR	NOS	MSJ	
	MSJ			1050 KJBN	Little Rock, AR REL:AC
730	WOHS	Shelby, NC	SPT	MSJ	
	MSJ			1050 WPLC	Silver Spring, MD BIZ/TLK
780	WIIN	Ridgeland, MS	NOS	Crabill	
	MSJ			1050 WLYC	Williamsport, PA NOS
790	KKON	Kealahou, HI	OLD	MSJ	
	Hale			1080 WLEY	Cayey, PR SS:NWS/TLK
790	KBRV	Soda Springs, ID	REL	MSJ	
	MSJ			1080 WVCG	Coral Gables, FL SS
800	WTMR	Camden, NJ	UC:REL/GOS	MSJ	
	Kennedy			1130 WPYB	Benson, NC C&W
840	KWDF	Ball, LA	REL:AC	MSJ	
	MSJ			1150 WTTT	Boston, MA NWS/TLK
840	WVPO	Stroudsburg, PA	OLD	nrcdxas.org	
	DX News			1150 WMET	Gaithersburg, MD TLK
850	KIIS	Thousand Oaks, CA	CHR	Kennedy	
	MSJ			1150 WRUN	Utica, NY AC/EZL
880	CHQT	Edmonton, AB	AC	Kennedy	
	MSJ			1160 WMET#	Gaithersburg, MD
880	WPEK	Fairview, NC	NOS	TLK	Kennedy
	nrcdxas.org			1170 WSOS	Saint Augustine Beach, FL OLD
910	WAKO	Lawrenceville, IL	AC/OLD	nrcdxas.org	
	Hall			1180 WZQZ	Trion, GA NOS
920	KVEL	Vernal, UT	OLD/TLK	MSJ	
	Heinen			1190 WGKA	Atlanta, GA NWS/TLK
930	WWON	Waynesboro, TN	AC/OLD	DX News	
	Hall			1200 WRTO	Chicago, IL SS:TLK
940	KTON	Belton, TX	C&W	MSJ	
	MSJ			1220 KHTS	Canyon Country, CA AC
950	WROL	Boston, MA	TLK/REL	DX News	
	nrcdxas.org			1220 WGNV	Newburgh, NY OLD
950	KFSA	Fort Smith, AR	REL	MSJ	
	MSJ			1230 WABN	Abingdon, VA C&W/Bluegrass
960	WRNS	Kinston, NC	GOS	AM Switch	
	Hardester			1230 KLWT	Lebanon, MO TLK
960	WILT	Mount Pocono, PA	OLD	MSJ	

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1230	WWSO Quincy, FL	UC:GOS	MSJ	
	MSJ		1450	WWSC Glens Falls, NY
1250	KEYT Santa Barbara, CA	SS:MEX	MSJ	TLK
	nrcdxas.org		1450	WMOH Hamilton, OH
1250	WAPZ Wetumpka, AL	UC:AC/GOS	MSJ	SPT
	Wilkins		1450	KSQP# Pierre, SD
1260	WGVN Greenville, MS	SPT	AM Switch	TLK
	MSJ		1450	KHIT Reno, NV
1280	WIPC Lake Wales, FL	SS	Hall	NOS
	MSJ		1460	KZNT Colorado Springs, CONWS/TLK
1290	WCHK Canton, GA	C&W	Heinen	
	Hall		1460	WIXN Dixon, IL
1290	WWTX Wilmington, DE	SPT	DX Midamerica	NOS
	MSJ		1460	KXPN Kearney, NE
1300	WJDA Quincy, MA	AC/EZL	MSJ	SPT
	MSJ		1460	WBOG Tomah, WI
1320	WZZK Birmingham, AL	C&W	MSJ	OLD
	MSJ		1470	WBIT Adel, GA
1320	WSKN San Juan, PR	SS:NWS/TLK	MSJ	Tourist
	MST		1470	WTOE Spruce Pine, NC
1320	KGDC Walla Walla, WA	NWS/TLK	MSJ	AC/EZL
	MSJ		1480	KHCK Dallas, TX
1330	WAEW Crossville, TN	OLD	Wilkins	SS/EE:Tejano
	MSJ		1480	WNBX Springfield, VT
1330	WJNX Fort Pierce, FL	SS:TLK	Musco	OLD
	MSJ		1490	KRTK Chubbuck, ID
1330	WOLD Marion, VA	AC/EZL	MST	REL
	MSJ		1490	WCSV Crossville, TN
1340	KHLB Burnet, TX	C&W	MSJ	SPT
	MSJ		1490	WLRT Hampton, VA
1340	WIZE Springfield, OH	SPT	MSJ	OLD
	MSJ		1490	KJIN Houma, LA
1350	KTXJ Jasper, TX	UC	MSJ	SPT
	MSJ		1490	WNTJ Johnstown, PA
1360	KFFA Helena, AR	C&W	Kennedy	SPT
	MSJ		1490	KZZN Littlefield, TX
1370	KXTL Butte, MT	OLD	Heinen	NOS
	Heinen		1490	WECM Milton, FL
1380	KJLJ Cheyenne, WY	OLD	MSJ	NOS
	Heinen		1490	CFPS Port Elgin, ON
1390	WFBL Syracuse, NY	NWS/TLK	Kennedy	TLK/OLD
	MST		1510	KCUV Littleton, CO
1390	KJPW Waynesville, MO	AC/TLK	Griffith	C&W/Bluegrass
	DX Midamerica		1530	KPCR Bowling Green, MO
1400	WNGB Green Bay, WI	TLK	MSJ	NWS/TLK
	MSJ		1530	WJDM Elizabeth, NJ
1400	KBJM Lemmon, SD	OLD	MSJ	SS:REL
	DX News		1530	WOBS Jacksonville, FL
1400	KWLA Many, LA	TLK	MSJ	REL
	MSJ		1540	WKKM Harrison, MI
1410	WHBT Tallahassee, FL	SPT	MSJ	VAR
	MSJ		1540	WRTK Niles, OH
1420	WKWN Trenton, GA	NWS/TLK	DX Midamerica	UC
	Kennedy		1550	WDLR Delaware, OH
1420	WVOT Wilson, NC	UC:GOS	MSJ	SS:CHR
	Kennedy		1560	KZQQ Abilene, TX
1430	KROO Breckenridge, TX	OLD	nrcdxas.org	EZL/NOS
	MSJ		1560	WRIN Rensselaer, IN
1430	WNFO Sun City - Hilton Head, SC	SS	MSJ	TLK
	MSJ		1570	WBGX Harvey, IL
1450	WGNC Gastonia, NC	SPT	MSJ	UC:GOS

1570	WXLN New Albany, IN	UC:JAZZ/	MSJ	
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1570	WANR Warren, OH	TLK	Griffith	AC/EZL
	Kennedy		1650	KBIV# El Paso, TX
1580	WHLY South Bend, IN	AC/EZL	AM Switch	C&W
	Kennedy		1660	WBHE#
1580	WAMW Washington, IN	REL:AC	SPT MSJ	Charlotte, NC
	DX Midamerica		1660	KQWB West Fargo, ND
1590	WBHN Bryson City, NC	OLD	Heinen	NWS/TLK
	MSJ		1690	WRLL Berwyn, IL
1590	WCSL Cherryville, NC	SPT	AM Switch	OLD

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600	KGEZ	Kalispell MT, confirmation on report, sticker in 7 days. V/s John ??, Owner. (Wilkins—CO)
770	KKOB-AM1	Santa Fe NM, f/d letter in 12 days. I was in Santa Fe at the time and received the synchro transmitter on my car radio with the antenna removed. The letter says "Since the inception of KKOB-AM1's operation decades ago your reception report is the first "official" reception report of the booster ever received here at KKOB(AM). V/s: Mike Langner, CE. (Griffith - CO)
790	KBME	Houston TX, n/d letter in 34 days. V/s David Armstrong, CE. (Wilkins—CO)
830	XEIK	Piedras Negras, COAH MEXICO, e-mail confirmation in 34 days for written report and tape. V/s Francisco Juaristi Septein, Director General. fjuaristi@hotmail.com. (Wilkins—CO)
940	KNNZ	Cedar City UT, prepared card in 7 days after a follow-up. V/s Illegible. (Wilkins—CO)
980	KDSJ	Deadwood SD, confirmation on report in 9 days. V/s Al Decker, Owner. (Griffith—CO)
1000	WYBT	Blountstown FL, confirmation on report in 8 days. No v/s. (Myers—FL)
1080	KSLI	Price UT, prepared card, n/d letter, stickers in 16 days. V/s Hazel Powell, Station Mgr. (Wilkins—CO)
1410	WMYR	Ft. Myers FL, p/d letter, stickers, fridge magnet, balloons in 30 days after a follow-up. V/s Kathleen Heckshaw, Owner. (Myers—FL)
1460	KZNT	Colorado Sprs. CO, f/d letter in 7 days. V/s Phil Lewis, GM. (Wilkins—CO)
	WXOK	Baton Rouge LA, p/d e-mail in 1 day after an e-mail follow-up. V/s Doug Allen, Engineer. (Myers—FL)
1540	KZMP	University City TX, f/d letter in 6 days. V/s Scott Savage, GM. (Myers—FL)
1550	KDCC	Dodge City KS, p/d letter in 7 days. V/s John Ewy, GM. (Wilkins—CO)
1580	KMIK	Tempe AZ, confirmation on business card in 18 days. Returned all enclosures: report, \$1.00 and postcard. V/s David Griffin, Station Mgr. (Griffith—CO)
1640	KMMZ	Enid OK, p/d letter in 9 days. V/s Hiram Champlin, Owner. (Griffith—CO)
1690	WSWK	Adel GA, p/d letter, Wild Adventures park brochure in 7 weeks. V/s Michael R. Jetter, Senior VP/GM (ARO). (Myers—FL)
	WRLL	Berwyn IL, f/d card in 14 days. V/s Len O'Kelly, Overnight Announcer (KB9CZX). (Griffith—CO) same in 20 days. (Myers—FL)

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Recently my old standby cassette deck needed to be retired. After losing a + dozen ID's to the whims of the tape speeding up, slowing down or stalling altogether, I knew I had to do something.

I don't remember where I read about this particular taping application and an extensive search couldn't turn up the source. The application is called QuickRecord and is downloadable as a demo version from <http://www.msaxon.com/quickrecord/>. If you do download it, like it and wish to continue to use it you can register it for US\$19.95.

After downloading QuickRecord follow the directions for installation on your PC. QuickRecord comes with very good help files and the program is also an ActiveX component with programming documentation for VBA programmers who may wish to take operation of the application further than this article will address. QuickRecord has a simple on screen presence and easy to use controls (See Fig 1).

QuickRecord comes with a variety of "Command Line" instructions that allow you to use Windows Scheduler™ to schedule taping sessions using your PC.

I use QuickRecord to set recording sessions consisting of approximately eight (8) minutes before the hour until six minutes after the hour in order to capture top of the hour ID's from BCB DX stations. You use of QuickRecord will be limited to the available space on your hard drive and your own imagination and computer skills.

The Windows Scheduler™ is very easy to use under both Windows2000™ and WindowsXP™. Using the START button find the Scheduler (Fig 2) and open it. There is a built in Scheduled Task Wizard under the "Add Scheduled Task" (Fig 3) file that will walk you through the steps necessary to schedule recording sessions. After opening the Wizard simply follow the instructions, clicking the next button to move through the screens (Fig 4). First, using the slider in the first window slide down and select QuickRecord from the menu and Click "Next" (Fig 5). Type a name for the scheduled event in the place provided on the next screen and select "Daily" to allow the recording to run each day and Click "Next". (Fig6). Next select the beginning time and the frequency of the event and Click "Next" (Fig 7). If you are using a Password on your PC fill in the blanks as directed on (Fig 8) and Click "Next". In the last step check the box for Advanced Features and Click "Finish" (Fig 9).

In the box labeled "Run" you'll see what's shown in (Fig 10). Place your cursor at the end of the line and type in the following without the quotes "`/r <Drive>:\<Filename>.wav 00:08`". Where <Drive> is the Letter of your hard drive usually a "C", those with multiple hard drives will have different

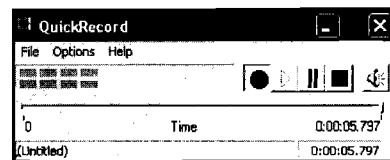


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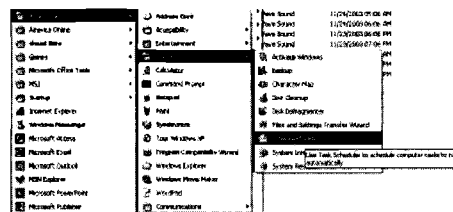


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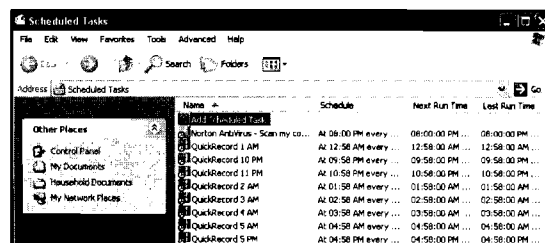


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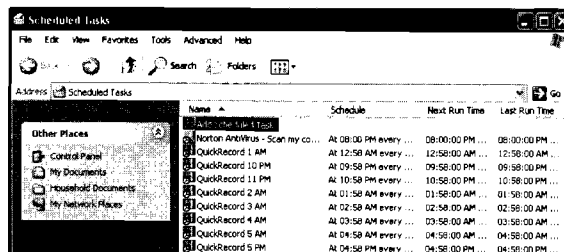


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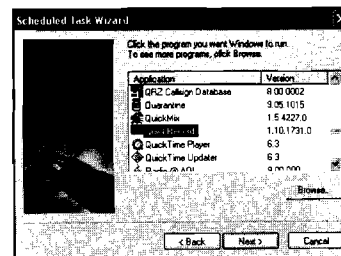


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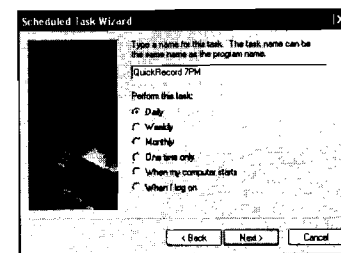


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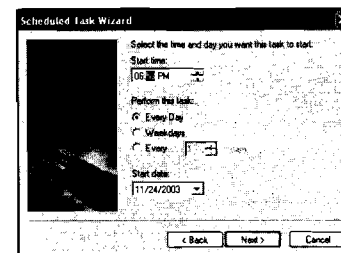


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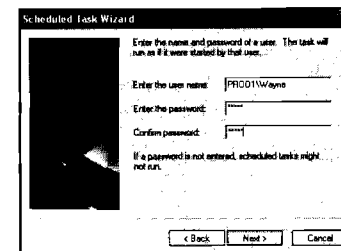


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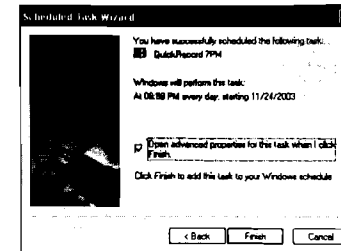


Figure 9

letters. <Filename> is the name of the file, in my case it's my "E" drive and NOW7PM for the file name. The ".wav" extension identifies the file as an audio file of the wav format. The last entry "00:08" specifies the duration in minutes that QuickRecord will record before ending the session, closing and saving the file. (Fig11). When you're done Click "Apply" and then click "OK" and your taping event has been scheduled. (Fig12).

I set my receiver up well in advance of my taping sessions picking a frequency, choosing the antenna to use and setting the audio levels for QuickRecord. I use my receiver line out audio and adjust the volume for the line out as provided for in the receiver instructions. Each individual will need to determine how best to connect the audio to their sound card's line in or microphone input. I experimented with both the line in and microphone inputs on my sound card making brief recordings from my receiver until I was able to determine settings that would yield undistorted recordings.

There are settings on QuickRecord that determine the quality of the recording to be made. Sampling rates are between 6000 and 48000 samples per second (subject to sound hardware compatibility), the higher the sampling rate the better the recording and the larger the completed file. The best quality is 48000 and it uses 10.09 megabytes (mb) per minute of hard drive space, I use a rate of 11025 that uses 2.52 mb per minute. My 8 minute files are 20.1 mb each.

I leave the receiver on even though there are built in timer settings. I have also noted that my monitor does tend to produce noise on some BCB frequencies. The best solution would be to replace the monitor with an LCD type that doesn't produce as much interference; however, that is a rather expensive solution! Once I have chosen my frequency for overnight taping, I simply turn the monitor off. For those who may use a sleep mode on their PC, disable it for the best results.

The next morning I take the recordings and copy them to 100 mb Zip disks and take them to work, where I can use my work PC and headphones for more than an hour of overnight DX. Since QuickRecord will reopen and append an existing file name either move the previous nights files to another directory on your hard drive or rename them. The files will be appended with the next night's recordings if they are left as they are! My coworkers are allowed to listen to CDs so I figured DX would be OK too!

I also use QuickRecord to record my live DX sessions. I activate it using a shortcut icon from my desktop; normally you must begin recording by clicking the red dot recording button. Your recording is in a temporary file that is wiped out when you quit the application; however you are given a warning message that allows you to cancel the exit command and save the file with an appropriate file name.

I have modified my shortcut by using a right mouse click on the shortcut icon and going to the properties selection and then the shortcut tab. I modified the target line by adding "`/r <Drive>:\<filename>.wav`" without the quotes (Fig 13). This opens the file with that name; if an old file with the same name exists it appends the recording to it immediately, if not it starts recording to a new file with that name. After I have completed a recording session and closed QuickRecord I can either delete the file or if I think I have something worth-

22 while when I'm done I'll use Windows Explorer™ to rename it to something that is easily recognizable for later review. I am then ready to open a new recording session.

You can use QuickRecord, Windows Media Player™, Windows Sound Recorder™ or any other application that can play .wav files to play back your recording files. The last two are included with Windows™. I am currently using Windows Sound Recorder™ because it does allow for editing of the .wav files and saving the edited portions with different names (Fig14).

How are the results? Since I began recording overnight with QuickRecord I have added 23 new loggings to my collection in the first month (November 2003), most of which were at hours when I was sound asleep! I am now amassing a collection of "Taped" ID's that I am archiving on CD.

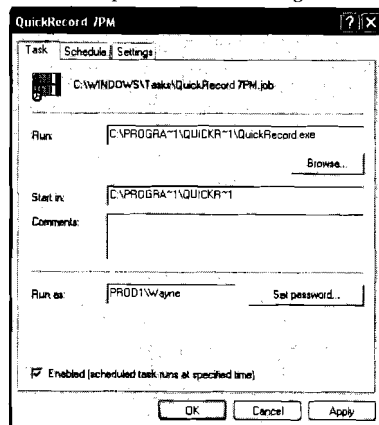


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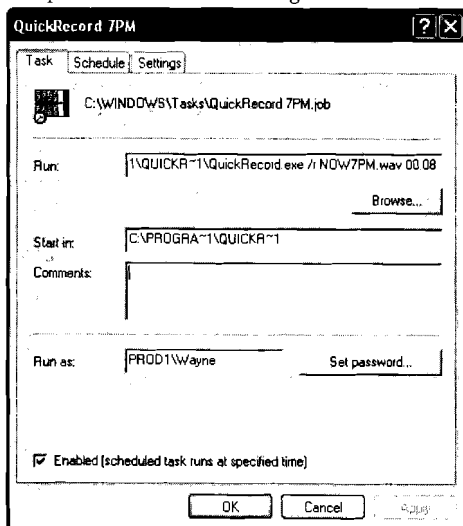


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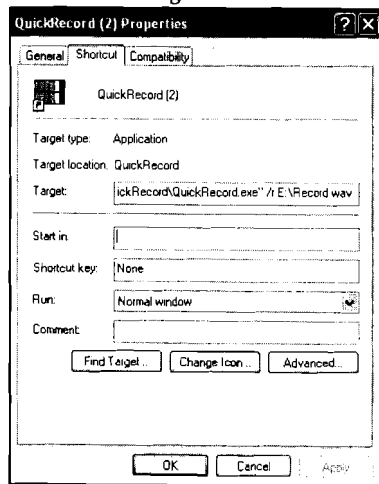


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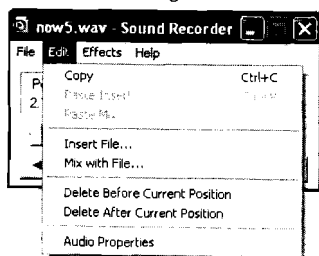


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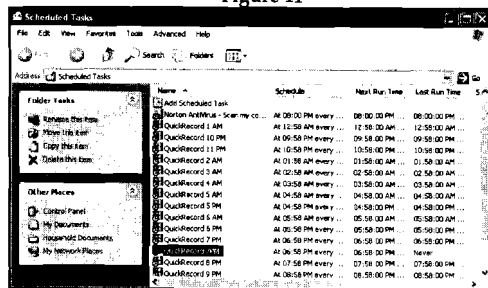


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Musings of the Members

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Thoughts from NRC members ... the opinions expressed in this column are those of the individual writer and do not necessarily reflect those of the editors, publishers, or the National Radio Club, Inc.

Here is the NRC column which wishes you a Happy Easter! (we're a little behind!). When sending your items in, please keep them radio-related, either what you've heard or what you're hearing! We appreciate all input, even reports from JOHN BOWKER! here we go:

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Recently, FRED VOBBE in a DXAS edition posed a question: Where would a DXER turn for information in event of a local, regional or national (a la 9/11) disaster? Some personal observations on this from my location, I live in Milledgeville, LA, the county seat of Baldwin County, about 30 miles NE of Macon, GA, the home of the state hospital (medical and psychiatric), a veterans retirement facility, numerous state prisons and work camps, a university system of GA College and State University) and a previous (and backup) capital of GA. If Atlanta had to relocate state government, it would come here. In fact, the state legislature has a ceremony when they adjourn from Atlanta, reconvene here and conduct business for a few days. A local legislator told me it was 'more than ceremony', it was to stay sharp so a move could be made in a moment's notice. Information? I would rely on WMAC-940 for info; WDEN -99.1 is my official 'contact' for my dialysis center. TV locally is on Charter Communications, I have access to WMAZ-13 plus Atlanta TV as well as the Weather Channel, CNN, Fox News. Power failure? Battery TV will do a good job with WMAZ-13. Beyond that, clear channel stations such as WSB-750, WBT-1110, WWL-870, WPTF-680, WLAC-1510 and further 'out' will have to do until I can get more reliable info. A VHF scanner is also available with local and state public safety. EMA and 6 weather radio stations to choose from, with the scanners running at 12 volts when needed. It's good to have a good supply of fresh alkalines for the TV, boom boxes, a 12-volt battery and trickle charger for the Kenwood and Uniden scanners.

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I enjoyed ANDY OOMS memories of Grand Rapids radio in issues 8 and 9. Having lived for 42 of my 46 years in the Grand Rapids/ W MI area, I offer the following addenda to the article: WFUR-1570 (had WFUR-FM 102.9) is the only commercial station in Grand Rapids still owned by the same family which owned it in the 50's. The third generation of Kuipers, with their Furniture City Broadcasting Company, still owns and operates WFUR. Its music is updated a bit, but WFUR is still a quality Christian station; the Kuipers still avoid much of the flagrantly right-wing political "Christian" programming which proliferates on other stations with this format. WFUR is also the only independently-owned commercial station left in Grand Rapids, all the other stations in the market are owned by multi-station conglomerates. Andy's one-time employer, WKLW-FM 95.7, was purchased by the owners of then-brand-new WZZM TV 13 in about 1963. It became WZZM-FM, later WZZR (when sold by the TV station) and has been WLHT for over a decade. Interestingly, the original WKLW transmitter wound up at WZND-99.3 Zeeland in 1971 when WZND came on the air. It was old even back then and was replaced by a newer rig in 1979, but I remember seeing the old rig at WZND (and being told its history) when I visited the station shortly after its first sign on. WZND was at that time mono and broadcasting out of a converted chicken barn in downtown Zeeland. WZND is now WJQK, a thoroughly updated, modern radio station (format is Christian rock) co-owned with WPNW-1260 (the successor of WJBL). WTKG-1230 is the station Andy knew as WJEF. Fetzter sold it in the 70's; it became WCUZ for a while. WTKG's tower was and is located just off US-131, literally about 25 feet from a major hotel in Grand Rapids. The guy wires from the hotel literally go around the hotel, probably NOT the place to hold a DX'er's convention! 73

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Herbert brings up a good point, where would you listen in the event of an emergency? Having to work with the EAS systems at the stations I have to go to, most people, especially in rural areas, wouldn't know! The system in place as it is now, works, but it should be tested on a regular basis for public knowledge, something that is very lacking now. A few years back, on a visit to Doug Lane at WICK/ WWDL, I noted sections of a tower lying in the field near the station. When Doug bought the 1340 frequency in Wilkes Barre, one item that came with it was the old tower of WBRE! The new tower had to be relocated to Plains, which is just outside of the Wilkes Barre city limits, but he managed to hang on to the old tower! Central states will be featured during January; if you live in the central part of the US, send along a report. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!