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WRIB	RI	1220	daily	0255-0305
WB3XNN	PA	1620	daily	0915-1445
KFBK	CA	1530	1/24	0200-0600

From the Publisher ... This is the most difficult DXN I've ever had to deal with, except maybe for when my computer hard drive completely crashed a few years ago: columns didn't show up, last-minute changes and article deletions had to be made, and worst of all an article imported into the layout corrupted the document, making it impossible to print it ... and I just had to delete it and start over from scratch. So what's left is a pitiful 12 pages, but at least what's here is useful. I think.

There have been a number of corrections, updates, additions, deletions, etc., to addresses on the back page as well as the DDXD-East address. Be sure to consult the latest DXN when sending inquiries or checks to NRC officials' addresses.

Old DXN's ... Ray Nemecek (and others in the past) have indicated from time to time that they are willing to part with back issues of DXN, sometimes numbering into the hundreds. Ray, for example says that his date back into the '80's and number over 600. He's willing to give some or all of them a good home and wanted to save them from the recycler but wonder what the best way to dispose of them would be?

First, DXN's published, say, during the last 15 years, don't seem to fare well at convention auctions, so there's really no point in transporting them nor paying shipping costs for them to the current convention host. And of course I maintain a small inventory of DXN's from 1988 on for replacement purposes for members.

On the other hand, we occasionally receive requests for specific volumes of DXN's. So I'd say that NRC members wishing to dispose of back issues of DX magazines should state whether or not they are willing to break up volumes; what it would cost to ship some or all DXN's, and ask for shipping cost reimbursement (round up the figure a little to account for packaging materials). I don't have a strong feeling for the point in the past

where DXN's begin to accrue collecting value and worth more than the price of shipping, but perhaps 25 years or older would be a starting point. And we'll list all requests in DXChange ... speaking of which:

DXChange ... Randy Davis - 1905 Blackistonmill Rd. - Clarksville, IN 47129 is offering for sale a Radio Shack DX 392 for \$100; a Q-Stick for \$25; and a Radio Shack amplified short-wave antenna for \$25.

Welcome to these new members ... Wells Perkins, Scotch Plains, NJ; Allan Dunn, Holbrook, MA; Jim Vorburger, East Aurora, NY; Wayne M. Fouks N1WF, Kissimmee, FL; Larry Yamron, Pittsburgh, PA; Mark Clark, Phoenixville, PA; Gerry Thomas, Pensacola, FL (rejoins); Rick Shaftan, Sparta, NJ (rejoins); Jon Pulliam, Weed, CA; Robert Rodriguez, Lake Katrine, NY; Masahiro Hihara, Kawagoe, Saitama, Japan; Fred Tankersley, Glendale, AZ (rejoins); Jeff Kitze, Concord, NY (rejoins); Rick Turner, Bemidji, MN; James Peshock, Boulder, CO (rejoins); Ken Englert, Los Angeles, CA (rejoins); Paul Zecchino, Englewood, FL (rejoins); Martin Kleczynski, Fremont, MI; Bruce Hackworth, Redding, CT; Phil Howell, Nashville, TN; Jerry Keedy, Pine Bluff, AR; William Tracey, Virginia Beach, VA; Charles A. Territo, Jr., Bridgewater, NJ (rejoins).

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the January 22, 1955 DXN: Pat Reilley, Jamestown, NY celebrated the receipt of verie #2,600. KOGA-930 was logged with ET's on 1/5 and 1/6; he logged BBC Northern Ireland-1151 on 1/7 and said that he would try for a verie.

25 years ago ... from the January 21, 1980 DXN: Chuck Hutton verified that the highly-regarded Radio Shack 12-655, the "TRF", was being discontinued and replace by a model which factory officials admitted was not as good, the 12-656.

10 years ago ... from the January 26, 1995 DXN: Gerry Thomas, Pensacola, FL reported sitting down to DX with his HQ-180 and having it go dark. When fuses kept blowing, he opened it up and found that the problem was a bad power rectifier diode.

AM Switch

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

Old Call	New Call
590 KBHS AR Hot Springs	KPZA
1050 WPLC MD Silver Spring	WFED [It's official. Finally!]
1280 KAQQ WA Spokane	KPTQ
1400 WKDY SC Spartanburg	WSPG
1570 WLBJ IN New Albany	WWSZ

There is talk that, along with its switch to talk, 1530 in Cincinnati is preparing to revert to WCKY (confirmed via various DX'ers 1-15 on the NRC listserv -pls.). So, if you happen to hear those historic calls while scanning across that frequency, you haven't entered a time warp. I hope John Bowker has a 'WSAI' ID in the file!

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

1570 WLBJ KY Morgantown - Coordinate correction to N37-13-09 W86-41-21.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

620 WDAE FL St. Petersburg - Applies to increase day and night power levels to become U2 5600/5500. WDAE is operating under a Special Temporary Authority (STA) allowing them to use 10 kW day and night in order to overcome interference from Cuba. Here's what they are proposing: since their two 489' towers are over 50 years old and in decaying condition, WDAE wants to replace both towers with shorter (360') structures to better stand up to wind load factors. The new towers would replace the old pair in the same location. The powers stated above, using the new towers' height, would replicate the current antenna efficiency and cover the same area. WDAE would still use the STA power of 10 kW, but from these two shorter towers. By the way, the WDAE tower set-up was the very first directional antenna system in the U.S., as the station was ordered to protect WTMJ at night.

1040 WCHR NJ Flemington - Applies to increase day and night power levels and add CH operation. If granted they will become U7 15000/2500 CH7500.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS SUBMITTED

770 NEW FL Nassau Village-Ratliff - Station has a CP for U4 50000/410 from a 6-tower site at N30-33-27 W81-50-49, followed by an amendment to change the city-of-license to Baldwin from a new transmitter site. This amendment requests U4 50000/500 from a third location with Baldwin as CoL.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

900 NEW OR Bend - Original application was for U4 50000/700. This amendment increases the night power to be U4 50000/2000.
1570 KMUR OK Pryor - Original application was to move to Catoosa, Oklahoma with D3 750/0. This amendment increases the power to be D3 1000/0 at Catoosa.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES DISMISSED

1190 WBIS MD Annapolis - The FCC has dismissed WBIS' application to add night service, and change the city-of-license to Highland Beach, per the applicant's request. Still on the books is their CP to add nighttime operation and change the city-of-license to Garrison, Maryland with U4 5000/7000.
1470 KUOL TX San Marcos - Application to increase day power as U4 500/250 is dismissed. Station remains U2 250/250.

LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

610 WAGG AL Birmingham	920 WGNU IL Granite City
900 WDLA WI Wisconsin Dells	1460 WBGO WI Tomah

Your Music is Back!



HEAR AND THAR

- Reported to have returned to the airwaves this past week: WKIQ-1240 Eustis, Florida with a black gospel format.
- As you can see the FCC has been busy, but not with AM matters of late. There are literally hundreds of pending AM actions on their agenda, so stay tuned . . .
- Several fines were announced this past week. The largest (\$28,000) was assessed to Tichenor Corporation, a subsidiary of Univision Radio, for broadcasting telephone conversations without first informing the party being called that the conversation was broadcast.
- Thanks to Shawn Axelrod, John Bowker, and Wayne Heinen for information contained herein.

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

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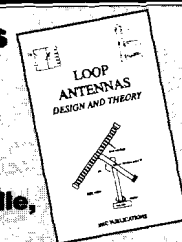
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WNBP MA Newburyport Russ Edmunds Blue Bell, PA	294

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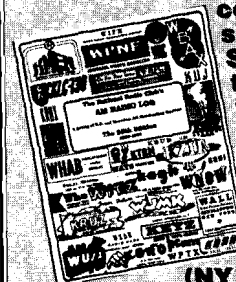
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Russ Edmunds Northern NJ/SE PA	37	41	35	43	41	53	251
Ron Bailey Shelby, NC	36	36	34	34	35	39	214

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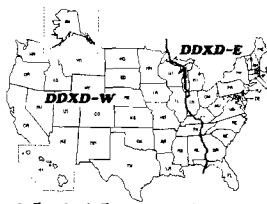
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From the Vast Westland

- From Panama City FL to Nome AK, from Nashville TN to Honolulu HI, from Iron Mountain MI to San Diego CA, from Kenora ON to Vancouver BC and from Baffin Island to the Yukon Territory, welcome to the **Vast Westland!**
- Please note that the correct e-mail address for this column is **westlogs@aol.com**. There was a misprint in the DDXD banner for the past two issues, showing a yahoo address. All is straight now. Sorry for the confusion. (Me, too; the wrong e-mail address was MY fault, not Bill's -pls.)
- For the second week in a row, **Rick Turner** of Bemidji MN checks in with his loggings. You may have read Rick's Musing in #72-13. He is a long-time DXer who has rejoined the NRC following a move to Minnesota. Rick started his Bemidji logbook by camping out on 540 kHz, has been moving up a frequency each day, and he is reporting it all to DDXD-W. So, we will be hearing a lot from Rick in the months ahead. This week, Rick covers 590 to 640 kHz. Thanks, Rick, for this unique look at DXing in northern Minnesota!
- There were DX tests to report on in this issue! However, only **Frank Aden** and your editor reported their results to DDXD-W. This really doesn't give *DX News* readers much of a picture of who was listening for and who was hearing the tests. I encourage you to report any future test results to this column.
- We had another fine turnout and some excellent loggings this week. Thanks to everyone who contributed. 73 Bill

Reporters

- BK-CA** **Bob Karchevski, Sunnyvale.** DX-398 barefoot.
- DP-HI** **Dale Park, Honolulu.** Sangean ATS-818CS, Terk AM1000 loop.
- FA-ID** **Frank Aden, Boise.** FRG-7 with 4-foot box loop, R8 with 110 N-S longwire.
- JJR-WI** **John J. Rieger, South Milwaukee.** Icom IC-R75, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner-preamp or GE Superadio III, Radio West ferrite rod.
- JW-CO** **John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge.** Drake R8, 4-foot box loop.
- RT-MN** **Rick Turner, Bemidji.** Radio Shack TRF 12-655.
- SP-WI** **Sheryl Paszkiewicz, Manitowoc.** NRD-515, AOR LA350 loop.
- WH-CO** **Wayne Heinen, Aurora** <amradiologbook@aol.com>. Drake R8B N/S flag and a E/W flag (Between the Honey Locust & Aspen trees) SuperPhaser II and a few random wires & QuickRecorder on the PC.
- Ed.-WI** **Your editor, Madison.** Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.

Station News

- 1400 **KDTA CO** **Delta.** 1/9 0359. Dual ID for KDTA 1400 and KJOL 620 and mention of "Christian Radio...." Heard on other occasions and at different times, so is apparently a full-time relay. Generally poor in the muck, with an occasional fair peak. (JW-CO)

DX Tests

- 560 **WFIL- PA** **Philadelphia.** 1/8 0200-0330. Nothing heard. (FA-ID)
- 560 **WFIL+ PA** **Philadelphia.** 1/8 0201. Poor, with sweep tones way under WIND. QRM at times from an unID oldies station. (Ed.-WI)
- 990 **WXCT- CT** **Southington.** 1/8 0000-0200. Nothing heard, XEBCN on top. (FA-ID) (See note below. Ed.-WI)
- 990 **WXCT- CT** **Southington.** 1/8 0000-0200. Nothing heard; QRM from CBW with light classics program "Northern Lights" and CKGM with sports talk. (Ed.-WI) (The

WXCT test did not go off this night, but rather on 1/9 at 0000 ELT. Ed.-WI)

Presumed, Tentative, UnID

- 610 **KNMLt NM** **Albuquerque.** 1/9 2215. In null of KDAL, heard mentions of the Phoenix Suns postgame show ("The Suns Report"), sponsored by a large listing of businesses including Circle K, Bank of America, Bud Light, Subway and Southwest Airlines, then into ESPN programming. Long fades. Spent two hours listening but did not hear an ID or any reference to Albuquerque or New Mexico, thus not claimed as heard. (RT-MN)
- 1240 **UNID** **1/8 0321.** Poor. Satellite oldies, slogan "The greatest hits of all time. Home of the hits! AM 1240," then calls, sounded like WFDF, WSDS or similar. Totally stumped on this. (JJR-WI)
- 1510 **KMZTp CA** **Piedmont.** 1/11/05 1150-1405. "Oldies 15-10" is the only ID here on local-like station (believed to be KMZT). I sat through three TOH with only "Oldies AM fifteen ten" as the ID. Mentions of "your new oldies station" and "no commercials." Note: Test of EAS at 1352. (BK-CA)
- Regular DX Loggings (times in ELT)
- 560 **CFOS ON** **Owen Sound.** 1/8 0248. Poor under WIND. Calls, ads, weather. (JJR-WI)
- 580 **KMJ CA** **Fresno.** 12/29 2351. Fresno State basketball vs. Hawai'i (Fresno upset UH), mentions of "News Talk 5-80 KMJ." Fair to poor; QRM from KSSK 590. (DP-HI)
- 590 **WJMS MI** **Ironwood.** 1/7 1307. CBS news, followed by ad for a product sold in Walgreens, followed by "This is WJMS news director...." Weak with some flutter, but readable. (RT-MN)
- 590 **KOMJ NE** **Omaha.** 1/7 2100. ID at the top of the hour into news; "Bringing back America's favorite memories, KOMJ, Omaha-Council Bluffs." (RT-MN)
- 590 **CJCL ON** **Toronto.** 1/7 2213. Raptor-Bucks recap/postgame show, mentioned "your Raptor sports station, Toronto 590" and "The Fan radio network." Appeared and disappeared quickly. (RT-MN)
- 590 **WKZO MI** **Kalamazoo.** 1/7 2300. Up briefly with ID into news; "When you need to know, WKZO, Kalamazoo." (RT-MN)
- 600 **KSJB ND** **Jamestown.** 1/8 1200. ID then into news. "Classic country 600, KSJB, Jamestown-Bismark." Mentioned they were located in the Buffalo Mall. (RT-MN)
- 610 **KDAL MN** **Duluth.** 1/9 1200. Sports Huddle with Sid and Dave, mention of the Rick Jordan Show, "Newsradio 610 KDAL, Duluth-Superior," into CBS news. (RT-MN)
- 620 **CKRM SK** **Regina.** 1/10 0810. Up briefly with "This is Ron Peterson, Canada's Sport Station 620, CKRM." Faint but audible. (RT-MN)
- 620 **KMNS IA** **Sioux City.** 1/10 2320. In briefly with mentions of "Smart Radio," "The Radio America Network," "Newstalk Sioux City (or 620), KMNS", then gone. (RT-MN)
- 620 **WTMJ WI** **Milwaukee.** 1/10 2325. Up briefly with mentions of "Celia's Restaurant in downtown Milwaukee" and "Wisconsin's News Station, AM 620, WTMJ." Like KMNS, it too sank into the swamp of graveyard-like conditions. (RT-MN)
- 630 **WDGY WI** **Hudson.** 1/11 1500. Heard on car radio what sounded like polka music with SS lyrics, then ID in EE; "WDGY, Hudson-St. Paul-Minneapolis" while driving in Bemidji. Heard again on TRF at home an hour later. (RT-MN)
- 630 **CFCO ON** **Chatham.** 1/11 2200. ID at TOH, "Your news leader in southwestern Ontario, CFCO" then into news. The music leading up to the ID sounded more EZL than oldies. (RT-MN)
- 630 **KHOW CO** **Denver.** 1/11 2305. CBS News, ID "Denver's Talk Station 630, KHOW," Denver weather, commercial for Robert's Drapery, then into Dr. Laura. (RT-MN)
- 640 **WOI IA** **Ames.** 1/12 2300. NPR programming with "Writer's Almanac," a promo for WOI membership with woi.org mentioned, then into "As It Happens." Disappeared after 2315. Static crashes noted. (RT-MN) (Very rare January thunderstorms were ongoing throughout the Upper Midwest this night. Ed.-WI)
- 640 **WWLS OK** **Moore.** 1/13 0045. ESPN programming, a mention of someone named Shawn appearing on WKY 930 as the voice of the Oklahoma —, callsign ID and

WELI". (MKB-ON)
 990 WNTT PA Philadelphia - 1/10 0800 - last month's DX tester noted under nulled WLGZ with top of hour ID as "our temperature holding steady at 37 degrees...you're with News-Talk 990 WNTT Philadelphia" into traffic report. (MKB-ON)
 1030 WBGS WV Point Pleasant - 1/9 0705 - Weather forecast by male announcer, singing ID as "10-30 WBGS," into gospel song. Fairly good in a nulled WBZ. (WJH-MD)
 WGFC VA Floyd - 1/9 0715 - Male Announcer noted. Heard references to something happening in the morning and then a clear ID as "10-30 WGFC." Cut through the mess on this formerly clear channel. (WJH-MD)
 1060 WILB OH Canton - 1/3 1558 - Local spots including Moment of Truth about stem cells research, MBA program at Walsh University, and two fathers gave the ID at 1602 as "Thanks for listening to Living Bread Radio AM 10-60 WILB Canton. Catholic Radio. The truth for Northeast Ohio." Blowing away KYW on the NW leg of the K9AY. This was followed by the program Daily Readings and Reflections. (WJH-MD)
 1070 WSCP NY Sandy Creek - 1/3 1500 - TOH legal ID by male announcer as "WSCP AM and FM Sandy Creek-Pulaski, W267AL Syracuse" in between songs. Lots of WBAL splatter. (WJH-MD)
 WINA VA Charlottesville - 1/3 1805 - Strong and all alone with weather, ID and a local sports talk show. (JLB-NY)
 WIBC IN Indianapolis - 1/11 0507 - Good over WAPI with ID at 0509 "The morning news continues on WIBC." It's nice to hear a regional station from outside the South here in Central FL, especially mornings like this when reception from KMOX and WBBM is poorer than normal. (WB-FL)
 1110 WYRM VA Norfolk - 12/31 1612 - Religious program and mention of call letters. (JLB-NY)
 1130 WPYB NC Benson - 1/3 1630 - C & W and formal sign off inviting listeners to "join us tomorrow at sunrise for the best in country-western and gospel music." (JLB-NY)
 1150 WMRD CT Middletown - 12/29 1744 - Strong signal (probably still on day power) and saying "we've got personality" and giving ID as 1420-WLIS and 1150-WMRD. (JLB-NY)
 WCRK TN Morristown - 1/5 2029 - List of local sponsors during the halftime of a basketball game between Tennessee and Georgia. ID by man as "your sports leader WCRK," at end of list. Over all. (WJH-MD)
 1180 WCNX RI Hope Valley - 1/6 1641 - Sign off announcement with station promo, ID as "News Radio WCNX" and said they "serve southern Rhode Island." I heard the SSB being played at the same time and not sure if this was from WCNX or another station. Under a nulled WHAM. Carrier off at 1642. (WJH-MD)
 1200 CFGO ON Ottawa - 1/10 1900 - Heard two "Team Twelve Hundred" ID's by a male announcer but no TOH calls. Either faded out or calls were not given. I heard network news after TOH, but was not sure it was from CFGO. Thanks to Barry (in Ottawa) and Brent in #MWDX chat for listening to my clip for the ID. (WJH-MD)
 1220 WRIB RI Providence - 1/10 1600 - Song sung by a man in probably Spanish. ID by male announcer at 1603 as "this is the ... 12-20 WRIB Providence. This is" and then a singing ID "WRIB." The signal was fair but suffered severe interference from WFAX. (WJH-MD)
 1240 WOON RI Woonsocket - 1/6 1805 - with Woonsocket and Cumberland storm closings. (JR-NY)
 WSNJ NJ Millville - 1/6 1659 - ID by man as "This is the home of the old country store. This is 12-40 AM and 14-40 AM WSNJ Bridgeton, WMVB Millville-Vineland." Promo for weather following CNN news, which followed immediately at 1700. On Top. (WJH-MD)
 WDNE WV Elkins - 1/6 2130 - "Great songs, great memories, WDNE". (JR-NY)
 WATN NY Watertown - 1/7 2200 - Popped in with local ad as "WATN Watertown" by male announcer. In the usual GY mess. (WJH-MD)
 1250 WGL IN Fort Wayne - 1/3 2100 - On the audio clip the only thing that can be connected with the stations re: the call letters "WGL" at TOH. The W is muffled slightly by interference and there is a blip after the L which could be con-

fused as a letter or part of the word. This is one of the roughest IDs I have had, but I am convinced it is WGL. QRM from WEAE and others. (WJH-MD)
 1260 WNDE IN Indianapolis - 1/5 1930 - Slogan "sports radio 1260-WNDE." (JLB-NY)
 1270 WTSN NH Dover - 1/1 1534 - Brief "WTSN-Dover" ID in local WHTK-1280 splatter. (JLB-NY)
 1300 WOGY PA Hazleton - 12/30 0840 - Talk show "here on WILK", their sister station. (JLB-NY)
 WIMG NJ Ewing - 1/5 1953 - In the clear with ID into gospel music. (JLB-NY)
 WOOD MI Grand Rapids - 1/5 2026 - ID and slogan "News radio 1300." (JLB-NY)
 1340 WYCK PA Plains - 1/5 0125 - Oldies and simulcast with WICK-1400. (JLB-NY)
 1360 WELP NC Easley - 1/4 1701 - "Born to Win" program followed by TOH ID as "WELP Easley-Greeneville." Was able to get a halfway decent copy by nulling out the QRM on the K9AY. (WJH-MD)
 1390 WJRM NC Troy - 1/4 1900 - ID as "Take a Free Ride right here on WJRM dot com, 13-90 AM Troy," by male announcer into network news. On top of mess. (WJH-MD)
 1430 WDIC VA Clinchco - 1/3 1621 - "WDIC Clinchco 1430" ID with C & W. (JLB-NY)
 1440 WJAE ME Westbrook - 12/31 1539 - "The big jab" slogan and saying they were Portland's station for Red Sox fans. (JLB-NY)
 1480 WCNS PA Latrobe - 1/3 1719 - ID and Beach Boys tune. (JLB-NY)
 1500 KSTP MN St. Paul - 1/5 1620 - Very strong with local talk show and "the talk station - KSTP" slogan. (JLB-NY)
 1510 WPUT NY Brewster - 1/3 1134 - Local talk show and dual ID's of WINE and WPUT on a day with good daytime conditions. (JLB-NY)
 WRNJ NJ Hackettstown - 1/6 1839 - In and out with WWSM and "oldies 1510" slogan. (JLB-NY)
 WPGR PA Monroeville - 1/10 1957 - ID by male as "... to 15-10 WPGR, The Light, Pittsburgh's gospel station" after a string of spots. This was followed by an in church meeting. Punched through the QRM. Must be more than just the listed 1 watt. (WJH-MD)
 1520 WWKB NY Buffalo - 1/07 1955 - Classic hits from the 50's and 60's. Decent signal that would fade under KOKC in Oklahoma City, OK from time-to-time. "KB 1520, classic hits from the 50's and 60's". (IEN-GA)
 1530 WRTP NC Durham - 1/4 1552 - Popped in with a "Newradio WRTP" add and a few seconds of talk under local WCTR. (WJH-MD)
 1540 WABQ OH Cleveland - 1/3 0927 - ID during promo for a church broadcast. (JLB-NY)
 1550 WIRV KY Irvine - 1/11 0300 - Song into spots and promo for the Tri-city network. www.vobbe.net/DX/DX0300.mp3 - listen at 4:30 into the file. (FV-OH)
 1570 WQTW PA Latrobe - 1/3 0100 - Oldies and legal ID. (JLB-NY)
 WISP PA Doylestown - 1/5 2059 - ID and EWTN programming. (JLB-NY)
 WPGM PA Danville - 1/5 2100 - Legal ID. (JLB-NY)
 1590 WFBR MD Glen Burnie - 12/30 1910 - Slogan "Famous 1590 - WFBR Baltimore." (JLB-NY)
 1600 WXMY VA Saltville - 1/7 1647 - under WRRL and CHSL-1610 slop with promo for WXMY listener poll to pick the top C&W song of 2004. (MKB-ON)
 1630 WRDW GA Augusta - 1/4 2149 - "Newstalk 16-30, WRDW" then into 3 minutes of dead air followed by several commercials and a promo for Michael Savage. (PG-MD)

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DXing takes on a whole new meaning in the movie "White Noise" now playing in theaters. They call it EVP, Electronic Voice Phenomena, the hearing of voices from beyond through the static. While the following DXers have positively identified the sources of voices beyond their neighborhood radio stations, somehow I don't believe their reports will be part of the discussion with George Noory and Art Bell on *Coast to Coast AM*.

Transatlantic DX

- 153 **ALGERIA** *Alger Chaîne 1*, Bechar JAN 2 0407 - Fair with male a capella Arabic chanting. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 162 **FRANCE** *France Inter*, Allouis JAN 1 0436-0444 - Loud and clear with male host in French playing ballads and taking phone calls - including one from "Josephine en Paris" at 0444. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 171 **MOROCCO** *R.Mediterranee International*, Nador JAN 1 0353-0357 - Fair with male DJ in French, American Country & Western tune and ballad sounding like Tracy Chapman. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 177 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandradio*, Berlin JAN 2 0411-0418 - Fair with classical music and male host in German taking phone calls. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 183 **GERMANY** *Europe 1*, Felsberg JAN 1 0451-0455 - Good with lively group discussion in French - lots of laughter. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 216 **FRANCE** *R.Monte Carlo*, Roumoules JAN 2 0430 - Fair with French teletalk well under aerobeacon CLB in Carolina Beach, NC. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 234 **LUXEMBOURG** *RTL Beidweiler* JAN 1 0447 - Fair with male host in French taking phone call from woman - they were still celebrating New Year's Eve at this late hour! [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 252 **ALGERIA** *Alger Chaîne 1/3*, Tipaza JAN 1 0359 - Fair with male a capella Arabic chanting. [DeLorenzo-MA]

Jim speaks: I have received some QSLs this season, from RTE 252, Spain 558 and Spain 1116, TWR 1467, BBC N.Ireland 1341.

Pan-American DX

- 660 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Santa Clara JAN 14 1035 - Fair; talk in Spanish with exaggerated reverb parallel 640, over presumed XEEY in WFAN null. [Conti-NH]
- 660 **MEXICO** *XEDTL México DF* JAN 9 0143 - Nice ID as "Tropicalismo, Canela 660," which John Callarman tells me is a new slogan on this one. I thought it was "Candela" (candle), but John says it's "Canela" (channel) - and he should know! [Renfrew-NY]
- 730 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Nueva Gerona JAN 14 1055 - Fair; flute instrumental parallel 640, over an unID Latin American signal in CKAC null. [Conti-NH]
- 770 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, unknown location JAN 9 0145 - Weak under WABC, but definitely parallel to *Rebelde* on 5025 kHz. [Renfrew-NY] JAN 14 1045 - Good in WABC null; UTC-4 time check, "siete menos cuarto en la mañana," and news parallel 670 and 710 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 810 **BAHAMAS** *ZNS3 R.Bahamas*, Freeport JAN 6 0930-1000 - Strong well over HJCY in WGY null with slogan, "Nothing covers the Bahamas better than the Bahamas Prayer (?) Network except the sun." EST timecheck, "It's 4:30," then into Christian program with preacher. Heard on GE Superadio while shaving before work. [DeLorenzo-MA]

Contributors

Bruce Conti, Nashua NH; Drake R8B, MWDX-5, 15/23/15-m Ewe antennas east and south.
Marc DeLorenzo, South Dennis MA; JRC NRD-525, noise-reduced vertical, broadband loop and longwire.
Jim Renfrew, Byron NY; Drake R8B, Beverages, Quantum Phaser.

International News

MEXICO: 1590 XEVOZ *R.Relej*, México DF - The music format of "La Bonita" has been replaced by information station "Radio Relej." The station broadcasts information with a cuckoo sound every minute to mark the exact time. [Barry Davies, HCDCX online log via *DX Listening Digest*]

73 and Good DX!

Domestic DX Achievements

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Name and location	Yr	Last	Upd.	TDI	TDH	ST	PT	DCT	PH	SH	DCH	TDV	SV	PV	DCV
Geary, Kermit-e PA	26	7/01	2768	5939	49	10	✓	10	50	✓	5448	50	10	✓	✓
Malicky, John-Pittsburgh, PA	70	11/87	1184	1461	40	6	✓	7	40	✓	902	38	7	✓	✓
Forth, Karl-vic Chicago, IL	70	11/78	1077	1771	48	10	✓	10	48	✓	1088	48	10	✓	✓
Starr, Jerry-Youngstown, OH	54	1/86	1055	2159	50	10	✓	10	50	✓	1610	50	10	✓	✓
Edmunds, R. J.-n NJ/e PA	62	9/99	806	2001	41	8	✓	9	47	✓	263	42	6	✓	✓
Swearingen, Paul-e KS	75	1/05	760	784	44	7	✓	7	44	✓	2	2	0		
Pimper, Dennis-NE, UT	39	12/04	651	2540	40	5		7	47	✓	425	45	6		
Hayes, Harry J.-ne PA	70	7/98	641	1354	39	9	✓	9	41	✓	185	30	3		
Wolfsh, Niel-Toronto, ONT	78	2/93	402	1285	39	6		10	43	✓	493	43	10	✓	✓
Fela, Joseph-cent. NJ	61	10/78	400	1861	40	7	✓	10	49	✓	1045	48	9	✓	✓
Schmidt, Dave-se PA/n DE	65	11/79	400	1250	40	4		8	48	✓	1006	48	8		
Foxworth, Robert-Long Island, NY	57	11/78	400	1000	44	9	✓	10	49	✓	270	48	7	✓	✓
Taylor, Pete-Tacoma, WA	81	3/00	399	468	33	0		3	33	✓	70	14	7		
Francis, Steve-nr Knoxville, TN	70	2/00	315	2687	45	3		8	48	✓	37	36	0	✓	✓
Wilkins, John-Denver/Des Moines	62	3/00	290	2250	35	0		7	45	✓	1931	45	7	✓	✓
Mount, Paul-ne NJ	73	2/86	199	489	26	5	✓	7	36	✓	224	33	6	✓	✓
Karchevski, Bob-San Francisco, CA	69	10/78	197	249	35	5		5	36	✓	198	36	5		
Truax, Dick- vic. Louisville, KY	72	12/78	120	935	35	5	✓	6	46	✓	20	17	3		
Wolfsh, Niel-Winnipeg, MAN	85	2/93	113	813	10	4		9	37	✓	25	10	4		
Musco, Ron-nr Hartford, CT	62	2/03	108	1391	28	3		9	47	✓	1262	47	9	✓	✓
Smolarek, Bob n NJ	82	6/02	78	817	16	5		5	36	✓	7	7	0		
Taylor, Pete-San Francisco	58	3/00	70	450	6	1		7	32	✓	329	31	7		
Renfrew, Jim-Rochester, NY	76	3/03	68	1709	27	5		8	44	✓	449	42	10	✓	✓
Mount, Paul-se OH	78	2/86	60	390	25	1		3	36	✓	3	3	0		
Bond, Jerry-Rochester, NY	62	10/78	50	785	10	2		8	43	✓	0	0	0		
Heinen, Wayne-NY/CO	64	11/03	30	1646	14	0	✓	9	49	✓	1565	49	10	✓	✓
Vervoort, John-Brooklyn, NY	00	11/04	25	274	9	2	✓	5	31	✓	4	4	0		
Ponder, Stephen-Shreveport, LA	75	8/89	10	769	4	4		5	39	✓	721	39	5	✓	✓
Vervoort, John-Murray, KY	03	1/04	7	152	7	0		2	29	✓	0	0	0		
Steele, Sid-e IL	31	7/98	0	3450	0	0		10	49	✓	2986	49	10	✓	✓
Krejny, Ed-nr Cleveland, OH	50	11/96	0	3265	0	0		10	49	✓	2729	49	10	✓	✓
Falconer, Jeff-Clinton, ON	69	7/00	0	2799	0	0		10	49	✓	1070	49	10	✓	✓
Wesolowski, Ernie-Omaha, NE	58	1/04	0	2321	0	0		9	49	✓	1966	49	9	✓	✓
Kureth, Joe-Uniontown, MD	61	1/00	0	2162	0	0		10	46	✓	342	41	7	✓	✓
Whatmough, Dave-Hamilton, ONT	51	1/00	0	2061	0	0		10	49	✓	1030	49	10	✓	✓
Axelrod, Shawm M.-s MAN	86	2/03	0	2005	0	0		10	50	✓	0	0	0	✓	✓
Chatterton, Ken-n NY	45	11/78	0	1845	0	0		10	50	✓	1101	50	10	✓	✓
Jeter, Karl-Atlanta, GA	69	3/84	0	1574	0	0		6	44	✓	1193	44	6	✓	✓
Bailey, Ron-Shelby, NC	92	1/05	0	1529	0	0		5	37	✓	4	4	0		
Arruda, Ray-nr Boston, MA	63	6/99	0	1292	0	0		9	47	✓	1150	47	9	✓	✓
DeLorenzo, Marc-e MA	62	9/00	0	1172	0	0		9	45	✓	0	0	0		
Onyschuk, Ken-Homewood, IL	67	8/03	0	1060	0	0		6	43	✓	16	13	0		
Anderson, Roger-Arlington, MD	38	1/02	0	1017	0	0		9	48	✓	1017	48	9	✓	✓
Harrison, Bob-ne NJ	82	6/98	0	996	0	0		7	36	✓	772	36	7	✓	✓
White, Thomas-Arlington, VA	68	1/05	0	994	0	0		7	39	✓	243	38	7	✓	✓
Sampson, John-Omaha, NE	54	12/78	0	912	0	0		6	45	✓	912	45	6	✓	✓
Hardison, Greg-Atlanta, GA	64	11/78	0	900	0	0		6	36	✓	42	19	5		
Taylor, Pete-Durham, NC	52	3/00	0	891	0	0		6	40	✓	208	38	6	✓	✓
Kureth, Joe-Southern Pines, NC	63	6/71	0	878	0	0		7	38	✓	92	26	2	✓	✓
Rigas, Christos-vic Chicago, IL	81	3/98	0	862	0	0		7	46	✓	382	44	6	✓	✓
Holland, George Jr., vic. Albany, NY	31	11/85	0	828	0	0		9	49	✓	828	49	9	✓	✓
Wallace, Jim-Columbus, OH	69	10/78	0	795	0	0		7	41	✓	137	36	3	✓	✓
Crabill, Perry - VA	90	1/04	0	779	0	0		3	35	✓	0	0	0	0	0
Hardy, Nancy-coastal WA	69	12/84	0	778	0	0		5	40	✓	3	2	0		
Reed, John-Ponca City, OK	95	1/03	0	656	0	0		6	40	✓	0	0	0		
Winkelman, Bruce-Tulsa, OK	79	3/04	0	601	0	0		5	36	✓	0	0	0		
Edmunds, R. J.-Syracuse, NY	64	9/99	0	533	0	0		9	45	✓	75	31	5	✓	✓
Boersma, Philip-w MI	73	10/78	0	520	0	0		6	41	✓	50	24	3		
Sampson, John-Winston-Salem, NC	68	10/78	0	450	0	0		1	30	✓	450	30	1		
Tudenhams, John-Joplin, MO	90	10/97	0	444	0	0		5	36	✓	0	0	0		
Alves, Paul H.-nr Boston, MA	48	2/99	0	352	0	0		6	32	✓	145	25	5	✓	✓
Sampson, John-Hutchinson, MN	60	10/78	0	336	0	0		6	42	✓	336	42	6	✓	✓
Houdek, Gary-n KS	75	1/81	0	294	0	0		3	34	✓	31	21	1		
Sampson, John-Cupertino, CA	66	10/78	0	258	0	0		3	17	✓	258	17	3		

Taylor, Pete-Coral Gables, FL	45	3/00	0	221	0	0	3	29	√	132	30	2	√
Sampson, John-New York, NY	65	12/78	0	181	0	0	6	33	√	181	33	6	√
Edmunds, R. J.-ne ME	94	9/99	0	172	0	0	6	20		0	0	0	
Vervort, John-Madisonville, KY	04	1/05	0	160	0	0	2	29	√	0	0	0	
Vervoort, John-Bronx, NY	03	11/04	0	144	0	0	5	22	√	0	0	0	
Thompson, Blaine-Toledo, OH	03	02/03	0	137	0	0	2	22		0	0	0	
DeLeurere, Harley-Hendricks, WV	55	10/78	0	59	0	0	10	48	√	59	48	10	√

Legend:

TDH, TDT, TDV	√	District of Columbia heard, taped, and/or veried
SH, ST, SV		Total Domestic Heard, Taped, Verified
PH, PT, PV		States Heard, Taped, Verified
		Provinces Heard, Taped, Verified

Thanks to Ron Bailey and Dennis Pimper for one update each and John Vervoort for two updates. We hope to see YOUR name and updated listings the next time around. Please?

This column is arranged by "Total Domestic Taped" and then "Total Domestic Heard" as the tiebreaker, and we'll run various priorities at different times. Domestic of course include the contiguous 48 states and Canada; Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, etc., are counted as foreigners. We'll only delete listings of those who are no longer NRC members, so should you drop out and rejoin, you'll need to resubmit your totals. How about making it a priority for next time of filing in the blanks above, at least in the year started and last update column? Some of the listings are estimates, and that's just fine, but don't forget to update accurately when you can. Please join us -73.

NRC Contest

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Cumulative Logging Contest #1 Mid Year Standings and Award

The winner of the WRTH is Ron Bailey with 2221 verified points! I have notified Ron and he has declared himself ineligible for the May standings award of a one year renewal to DX NEWS.

Contester	Location	Points	Contester	Location	Points
Ron Bailey	Shelby, NC	2221	Darrell Neft	Costa Mesa, CA	289
John Wilkins	Wheatridge, CO	1175	John Hart	San Francisco, CA	275
Wayne Heinen	Aurora, CO	1088	Mike Clancy	Jersey City, NJ	187
Chris Knight	Fort Lupton, CO	742	Gary Hitchcock	Hollywood, FL	101
Paul Swearingen	Topeka, KS	658	David Jones	Springfield, TN	100
Dave Braun	Wyoming, DE	421	Michael Carroll	Phoenix, AZ	31
Nancy Johnson	Billings, MT	409	Dale Park	Honolulu, HI	23
Steve Sprague	Coffeyville, KS	312			

Some Comments: From Ron Bailey "Well, this contest has certainly been an interesting experience for me. I've logged a total of 99 new ones and confirmed 62 call sign changes. This brings my Domestic total to 1529, my overall total to 1602, and my Graveyard totals to 214! I will probably slack off a bit now, but will continue to search for all-time new ones and will keep you up to date with my progress. Should I be lucky enough to win the WRTH Handbook, please disqualify me from winning any further prizes in this contest. I would also like to donate a prize to a deserving participant.

"During the month of December I concentrated on Regional and Graveyard frequencies to pile up more points until I felt I had squeezed out about all of them I could. I had fairly good luck with the Regionals, but the Graveyarders were a bit tougher than I thought they would be. I didn't get openings into the Ohio area which I expected until they had their big snow storm on 12/22-23. Each day it was more difficult to identify target stations on my list. As a result I went back to logging more clears by picking the proper time and direction. I finally logged XERF with a full ID in SS complete with call, frequency, watts of power, city and slogan! However, nearly all of my all-time-new stations were logged by accident rather than on purpose!

"Also, I know I heard WPRA in Mayaguez on 990 from 2200 to 2230 UTC on 28 December but could not get enough to ID them properly. It was right at their sunset and the gray line was in almost perfect alignment to me. I've listened every day since but have not yet heard any more SS on the frequency. I also listened on 1660 around that time for WGIT but no luck.

"Well, I've really enjoyed it but I'm feeling a bit sleep deprived and actually went to bed at 9 p.m. New Year's Eve, hi! Thanks for your efforts."

My congratulations to Ron, and I would like to encourage the other participants to continue their logging and submitting them. The breakdown of distances records on all the frequencies will be forthcoming; the tables are prepared, and I still need some more time to format them for Paul to be able to publish them in *DX News*. 73.

International DX Achievements

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International DX veried/taped totals listed by continents

Year Started	DX'er	Location	Last Update	Africa	Total Veries	Ctries	Foreign	SA	NA	Eur	Oc	As
1958	Dangerfield, Ben	PA	2000	33	432	128	332	44	85	152	8	10
1933	Gear, Kermit	PA	2001	28	6554	115	1106	291	571	152	62	2
1938	Anderson, Roger A.	VA/NY/PA	1993	28	1448	105	514	78	227	128	48	5
1946	Moore, Ray	MA	1993	24	245	104	245	52	95	59	8	7
1940	Morss, Stan	MA	1993	14	3922	84	424	65	218	221	1	3
1958	Merriman, Alan	VA	1994	14	1615	93	368	47	212	88	3	4
1950	Krejny, Edward	OH	1996	10	2733	76	441	126	208	91	6	0
1964	Whatmough, Dave	ON	1999	6	1014	13	15	1	6	3	0	0
1962	Musco, Ron	CT	2003	3	1392	50	54	5	40	10	0	1
1954	Starr, Jerry	OH	1974	3	1209	51	194	34	134	20	3	0
?	Callarman, John	?	1970	3	740	50	138	20	72	17	20	6
?	Sampson, John	NJ	1965	3	445	54	72	6	23	38	1	1
1973	Sgrulletta, John	NY	1998	3	64	54	64	24	24	19	0	3
1958	Wesolowski, Ernie	NE	2004	1	1966	26	70	6	55	0	7	1
?	Fela, Joseph	NJ	1965	1	738	24	35	4	19	11	0	0
1958	Phillips, Dan	TN/AL	1974	1	567	26	40	9	21	5	3	0
1976	Renfrew, Jim	NY	2003	1	540	56	91	10	59	19	0	1
1965?	Neff, James R.	NY	1971	1	30	29	87	4	70	10	1	1
1931	Steele, Sid	IL	2003	0	3108	32	122	12	104	2	8	1
1964	Heinen, Wayne	NY/CO	2003	0	1671	26	76	3	64	5	2	2
1969	Falconer, Jeff	ON	2000	0	1091	22	20	2	14	2	2	0
1947	Luton, Relfe	NC	1973	0	1049	23	142	4	102	3	33	0
1962	Edmunds, R. J. (taped)	NJ	1998	0	897	43	56	37	50	14	0	1
1931	Holland, George B., Jr.	NY	1996	0	885	22	58	5	46	5	2	1
1975	Swearingen, Paul (taped)	KS	2005	0	883	23	119	16	61	0	0	0
1976	Froemming, Gary	AZ	2004	0	624	24	131	25	157	0	9	1
1964	Sorensen, Morris	ON/MB	1975	0	537	13	385	1	375	9	0	0
1968	Bytheway, Phil	WA	1982	0	457	9	20	0	0	0	0	0
1977	Wolfish, Niel	ON	1977	0	397	11	20	4	14	2	0	0
1992	Taylor, Pete	CA	1993	0	375	26	58	4	22	0	13	19
1962	Edmunds, R. J. (paper)	NJ	1998	0	266	7	13	3	10	0	0	0
1968	White, Thomas	VA	2005	0	255	12	12	1	11	0	1	
1973	Mount, Paul	NJ	1995	0	230	6	25	2	22	0	0	0
1969	Karchevski, Bob	MA/CA	1975	0	204	24	141	0	112	0	6	0
1966	Bruner, Jesse R.	KY	1966	0	132	23	27	3	17	5	2	0
1965	Long, John	CT	1968	0	101	29	0	0	0	0	0	0
1967	Floden, Eric	ONT	1970	0	93	16	65	3	61	0	0	0
1964	Edmunds, R. J.	NY	1999	0	76	3	1	0	1	0	0	0
1975	Bartek, Daniel, Jr.	NE	1976	0	23	2	0	0	0	0	0	0

This IDXA is tabulated by African veries/tapes, with total veries as the tie-breaker. Thanks to Thomas White for his update. Although non-renewing members are routinely deleted from this list, if you've rejoined and don't see YOUR name in the listing above, send in your totals so we see YOU here next time!

Feel free to send in your updated totals in time for the next IDXA; you probably have a month or more. Remember, only taped or paper veries are counted, and mainland U. S. and Canadian catches should not be included in NA totals for either U. S. or Canadian DX'ers. Include your best catch from each continent and all other totals when reporting. And please update what you see above - I get letters, and lists of stations or countries, but no updates - and I can't update what you don't send! Our next column will feature African totals.

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