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**Web Site:** Kraig Krist will be resigning as e-DXN and nrcdxas.org webmaster at the end of March. Kraig's been in this position since 2008 and done a lot behind the scenes to maintain and improve e-DXN and the club web site. Kraig is looking to move on and we're grateful for all the work he – and our whole dedicated team of club volunteers – has done.

But now we need someone with web skills to step up and help with e-DXN and the web site. Looking for more information? Contact Board chair Paul Swearingen at [plsbcbdxer@aol.com](mailto:plsbcbdxer@aol.com).

**Joint Convention 2017:** The joint IRCA-NRC-DecaloMania convention is August 17-20 in Reno, Nevada. The location will be the Best Western Airport Plaza Hotel, 1981 Terminal Way, Reno NV 89502. For reservations, call (775) 348-6371 and request the International Radio Club of America room rate of \$100/night (plus tax).

Registration fee (not including the banquet) is \$25 payable to Mike Sanburn, P.O. Box 1256, Bellflower, CA 90707-1256, or by PayPal (add \$1 fee) to [mikesanburn@hotmail.com](mailto:mikesanburn@hotmail.com). Include contact info and club affiliations.

**For Sale:** Jim Shaw has several items for sale: **Yaesu FTdx-9000D PEP** 200-Watt HF-6m Xcvr w/SP-9000 Base Speaker w/filters, radio in low \$5k range (\$8,300 new), spkr, ~\$200 (\$370 new). Prefer to sell together, make reasonable offer. All accessories, boxes, manuals, etc. Back from Yaesu, all updated and performance-checked. Because of weight, prefer to sell within a reasonable distance

of Dayton, OH, and will meet half way for hand-off.

**Elecraft K3/100** – S/N 5508, KAT3 ATU, KXV3A RX Ant., IF Out and Xverter Interface, KFL3A 1.8kHz 8-pole roofing filter, KFL3A 2.1kHz 8-pole roofing filter, KFL3A 2.8kHz 8-pole roofing filter-2.7 swap, KFL3A 6.0kHz 8-pole filter, KBPF3 Gen Coverage RX Module, PR6 6m Preamp, 12VDC OUT Current Modification to power the P3 Video/FFT Adapter, original box, Elecraft/Cady manuals, Nifty manual. \$2,500 (\$3,200 new) (\$4,445 for similar K3S).

Jim has more stuff too we'll run next week – email him at [jshaw!@who.rr.com](mailto:jshaw!@who.rr.com) for more info,

### Volume 84 DX News Schedule

No	D'dline	Print	No	D'dline	Print
13	Mar. 17	Mar. 27	17	June 23	July 3
14	Apr. 7	Apr. 17	18	July 21	July 31
15	Apr. 28	May 8	19	Aug. 18	Aug. 28
16	May 26	June 5	20	Sept. 8	Sept. 18

### Membership Report

**New Members:** Welcome to Jeffrey Daniels, Salisbury, MA.

**Rejoining Members:** Welcome back to Neil Bartlett, Mt. Horeb, WI; Edward Muro, Wantagh, NY; and Franklin Widmann, Cedar City, TX.

**Renewing Members:** Thanks for the ongoing support of Kenneth Eddy; Elliott Feinberg; Arthur Jackson; Thomas M. Jasinski; Kurt Johansson; Karl Kastner; Stephen Lindsay; John Sampson; and George A. Santulli.

### 37th Edition of the National Radio Club's AM Radio Log

The *AM Radio Log* is a source for information on AM radio stations in the United States and Canada. The 37th edition of the Log contains 300 pages of data and cross references and 12 pages of instructions in 8-1/2" x 11" size, 3-hole punched, U.S. looseleaf format. This publication fits nicely into a 1" three-ring binder. 9,000+ updates since last year's 36th Edition of the log! New for this year is a cross reference by State/Province in frequency order. This list is ideal for targeting needed areas. Additional reference lists include call letters of FM simulcasts with the AM Stations listing, listings of regional groups of stations in the groups section (separate section of the log book), a cross reference of those stations that are licensed to use IBOC (In Band On Channel) digital audio, and a comprehensive list of FM translators that are now simulcasting with AM broadcasters.

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# AM Switch

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## *Official updates from the FCC and the CRTC*

### CALL CHANGES

1230 KRUZ UT Murray – Call change to KRRF (Feb. 17).

### NEW STATION WATCH

860 CP SD **Black Hawk** – New station CP (U7 50000/350 (ch 22000)) surrendered, deleted.

1020 CP NV **Blue Diamond** – New station CP (U4 5000/250) surrendered, deleted.

1500 CP CA **Culver City** – Assigned calls KWIF (Jan. 30).

This leaves only 9 new station CPs (plus WWNH-1340 and KHTC-1490, which have broadcast but have not (yet) been fully licensed) in the FCC database. Only one expires this year – KSDG-1340 Fairbanks AK, on April 8.

### STATIONS GOING DARK

610 CKRW YT **Whitehorse** – Tower in poor repair and needs to be torn down; seeks STA to move to FM relays immediately and will seek CP to move to FM permanently.

690 CBU BC **Vancouver** – Shortwave relay CKZU-6160 will not be rebuilt, will be deleted.

### CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CPs) FOR EXISTING STATIONS

CPs fully licensed and on the air:

850 WFTL FL **West Palm Beach** – CP for U4 50000/20000 from a new site (26-32-30/80-44-30) is on the air; has been operating with the CP on a temporary basis for years.

1310 KAHL TX **San Antonio** – CP for U4 5000/236 is on the air.

CPs built, awaiting final licensing:

630 WREY MN **St. Paul** – Applies for license to cover CP for U4 3000/2400.

1150 KIMM SD **Rapid City** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 5000/36.

1450 KCTI TX **Gonzlaes** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 1000/1000.

1560 WPAD KY **Paducah** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 1000/35.

1590 WALG GA **Albany** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 3300/40.

CPs granted:

1010 KIND KS **Independence** – Granted CP for a new site (37-15-42/95-45-39).

1160 WCXI MI **Fenton** – Granted CP for U4 15000/215 at new site; replaces expired CP.

1210 KGYN OK **Guymon** – Granted CP for U7 50000/10000 (ch 39000); replaces expired CP.

1380 KKOOR OR **Ontario** – Granted CP for U1 5000/250.

1500 KHKA HI **Honolulu** – Granted CP for U1 5000/5000.

Applications for CP received:

790 KABC CA **Los Angeles** – Applies for U4 6600/7900; CP site at 34-01-10/118-20-44.

1230 WDWR FL **Pensacola** – Applies for U1 790/790; adjusting coordinates to 30-25-59/87-13-09.

KRRF UT **Murray** – Applies for new site at 40-38-19/111-59-59, remaining U1 1000/1000.

1270 WBOJ GA **Columbus** – Applies for U1 5000/237, moving to former tower of WIOL-1580 at 32-27-54/85-01-22.

1420 WRCG GA **Columbus** – Applies for U1 5000/86, same new site as WBOJ-1270 (above).

1530 WMCE PA **North East** – Applies for D1 4800 (ch 250), CoL to Union City PA, new site at 41-56-27/79-50-42; contingent on application of WCTL-106.3 to move from Union City to Erie PA.

Application to amend CP received:

1580 KHEP AZ **Tempe** – Has CP for U1 50000/95 from a new site; applies to amend CP to U1 50000/700.



Amendments to pending applications:

- 1110 WOMN LA **Franklinton** – Applied for D3 50000 on 1100 kHz; amends to D4 50000 (ch 5000).  
 1140 KNAB CO **Burlington** – Applied to add night power as U1 1000/48; amends to U1 1000/18.

### SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)

STAs granted:

- 760 KCCV KS **Overland Park** – Granted STA, parameters at variance, KMBZ-980 diplexing.  
 790 KABC CA **Los Angeles** – Granted STA, U1 5000/3500 from CP site.  
 930 WYFQ NC **Charlotte** – Granted STA, minor params. at variance, FM translator diplexing.  
 960 KGKL TX **San Angelo** – Granted STA, U1 250/250, antenna tuning unit failure.  
 980 KMBZ MO **Kansas City** – Granted STA with U1 5000/1250 from CP site.  
 1250 KBRF MN **Fergus Falls** – Granted STA, parameters at variance, FM translator diplexing.  
 1330 WITM VA **Marion** – Granted STA with D1 30, temporary longwire at 36-51-23/81-30-19.  
 1480 WGFY NC **Charlotte** – Granted STA with U3 4400/4400, night pattern 24 hours.  
 1580 KHEP AZ **Tempe** – Granted STA, D1 10000 from CP site.

Extensions of STAs granted:

- 550 WSWA VA **Harrisonburg** – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/250.  
 570 WTBN FL **Pinellas Park** – Granted STA extension, U4 5000/10000.  
 590 WARM PA **Scranton** – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.  
 940 KFIG CA **Fresno** – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.  
 1130 KSDO CA **San Diego** – Granted STA extension, U1 2500/2500, longwire at KLSD-1360 site.  
 1280 WJYE ME **Gardiner** – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/1250.  
 1300 WJMO OH **Cleveland** – Granted STA extension, U1 1250/1250.  
 1310 KTCK TX **Dallas** – Granted STA extension, minor parameters at variance.  
 1330 WHGM MD **Havre de Grace** – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/125.  
 WENA PR **Yauco** – Granted STA extension, U1 500/350, longwire at 18-01-17/66-51-54.  
 1380 WBEL IL **South Beloit** – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/1250.  
 1480 KNTB WA **Lakewood** – Granted STA ext., U1 250/65, horizontal wire at 47-09-52/122-30-19.  
 1520 KKZZ CA **Port Hueneme** – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.  
 WTRI MD **Brunswick** – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.  
 1530 KZNX TX **Creedmoor** – Granted STA extension, U3 220/200 (night site/pattern 24 hours).  
 1590 WFBR MD **Glen Burnie** – Granted STA extension, minor parameters at variance.

Applications for extensions of STAs received:

- 930 KSDN SD **Aberdeen** – Applies to extend STA, U1 1250/250.  
 950 WTLN FL **Orlando** – Applies to extend STA, U2 12000/11000, Cuba QRM.  
 990 KZZB TX **Beaumont** – Applies to extend STA, U1 250/250.  
 1060 KDUS AZ **Tempe** – Applies to extend STA, U1 5000/125.  
 1080 WHOO FL **Kissimmee** – Applies to extend STA, U1 1500/11 from WAMT-1190 tower.  
 KCNM MP **Saipan** – Applies to extend STA, U1 500/500 from temporary antenna.  
 1150 WJEM GA **Valdosta** – Applies to extend STA, D1 1250.  
 1170 WGMP AL **Montgomery** – Applies to extend STA, U1 4/4.  
 1230 WDWR FL **Pensacola** – Applies to extend STA, U1 250/250, horizontal wire at licensed site.  
 1240 WALO PR **Humacao** – Applies to extend STA, U1 1000/5000, Dom. Rep. QRM.  
 1310 KEZM LA **Sulphur** – Applies to extend STA, U1 125/12.5, temporary antenna/site.  
 1440 KEYS TX **Corpus Christi** – Applies to extend STA, U1 1000/250.  
 1480 WZRC NY **New York** – Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance during diplexing.  
 1530 WOBX NC **Wanchese** – Applies to extend STA, reduced power.

### SILENT STATIONS

Formerly silent stations informing the FCC that they are back on the air:

- 1040 KURS CA **San Diego** – Silent Sept. 25 (2016); on the air Nov. 18 (2016) but notified now.  
 1310 KZYP AR **Malvern** – Silent July 7 (2016); on the air Feb. 13.  
 1350 WLLY NC **Wilson** – Silent Oct. 8 (2016); on the air Feb. 12.

Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:

- 580 KZMX SD **Hot Springs** – Silent Feb. 23; transmitter to be rebuilt.  
 980 WGWM KY **London** – Silent Jan. 2; filed CP to move to Winchester KY (see last issue).  
 1060 KTNS CA **Oakhurst** – Silent Dec. 24 (2016); repairs taking longer than expected.  
 1150 KDEF NM **Albuquerque** – Silent since June 1 (2016); erroneously dropped from FCC list.  
 1470 KIID CA **Sacramento** – Silent Feb. 2; attack of the copper thieves and other vandalism.

## NRC AM Log Updates

You will see a bunch of "Deleted from FCC's amq" stations below. It seems that the FCC decided this week to houseclean the "AM Query" database that we use and remove many stations that had been deleted over the years. So you can remove them from your AM Radio Log.

- 540 **WGOP MD Pocomoke City** – Slogan to "Classic Country," delete // WBEY-FM-97.9.  
 550 **WSVA VA Harrisonburg** – Slogan to "Newstalk 550 and 92.1." (TF)  
 580 **KRSA AK Petersburg** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 620 **KHNU HI Hilo** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 660 **KCRO NE Omaha** – Slogan to "660 AM 106.5 the Word."  
 690 **CBU BC Vancouver** – Delete // CKZU 6160 kHz.  
 700 **WFAT MA Orange-Athol** – Format to OLD (ex-AC); slogan to "The Big 700," delete Group // 92.5 The River. (TF)  
 710 **KAPZ AR Bald Knob** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 750 **KHWG NV Fallon** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 760 **WCPS NC Tarboro** – Adds // W289BL-105.7. (FCC)  
 830 **WCRN MA Worcester** – Networks to C/CM/Mt/C2C.  
**KMUL TX Farwell** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 840 **KVJY TX Pharr** – Format to SS:REL (ex-SS:NWS/TLK); slogan to "Voz y Vision." (GH)  
 850 **WPFD TN Fairview** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 900 **WNMB SC North Myrtle Beach** – Format to GOS (ex-OLD).  
 910 **WNHV VT White River Junction** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
**WHSM WI Hayward** – Format AC (ex-SPT); slogan "96-9 The Cabin," add // W245CT-96.9.  
 940 **WMIX IL Mount Vernon** – Networks to C/Il/Mt/Ru.  
**WCSY MI South Haven** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
**KOBY UT Cedar City** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 950 **WZKD AL Montgomery** – Format UC:AC (ex-Silent); slogan & Group to // The Big Station.  
**WNCC PA Barnesboro** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 970 **WKCI VA Waynesboro** – Slogan & Group to //Newsradio 1300 and 107.9 FM; delete Group // News Talk 1300.  
 1000 **WJNZ AL Robertsdale** – Format to TLK (ex-SPT); slogan to "Talk Radio 1000," drop ESPN.  
**WRAR VA Tappahannock** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 1040 **KURS CA San Diego** – Slogan to "El Sembrador Radio."  
 1050 **WYBG NY Massena** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
**KXCA OK Lawton** – Adds //K229DG-93.7. (FCC)  
**KGTO OK Tulsa** – Format to UC:AC/OLD (ex-UC:AC).  
 1080 **KOAN AK Anchorage** – Slogan & Group to // Hot Talk FM 95.1 AM 1080.  
 1090 **WFCV IN Fort Wayne** – Adds //W229CO-93.7. (FCC)  
**KLWJ OR Umatilla** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 1120 **KLIM CO Limon** – Format to REL; networks to EWTN. *If this is heard in Aurora. – wh*  
 1170 **WDIS MA Norfolk** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
**KPUG WA Bellingham** – Adds //K250BW-97.9. (FCC)  
 1180 **KORL HI Honolulu** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 1230 **WTKN MS Corinth** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 1230 **KLWT MO Lebanon** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
**WYTS OH Columbus** – Format to UC:AC (ex-SPT); slogan to "Vibe 105.3," delete networks.  
**KQIK OR Lakeview** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 1240 **KLYQ MT Hamilton** – Slogan to "News Talk," delete Group.  
**KBLL MT Helena** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
**KPBL TX Hemphill** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 1250 **WYYC PA York** – Adds //W251CE-98.1. (FCC)  
 1260 **KTUE TX Tulia** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 1270 **WEIC IL Charleston** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 1280 **WGLR WI Lancaster** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
 1290 **KGVO MT Missoula** – Slogan to "NewstalkKGVO.com," adds // K252FP-98.3; delete Group // NewstalkKGVO.com.  
 1300 **WYGJ IN Terre Haute** – Deleted from FCC's amq.  
**WKSC SC Kershaw** – Deleted from FCC's amq.



	<b>WKCY</b>	<b>VA</b>	<b>Harrisonburg</b> – Slogan & Group to // Newsradio 1300 and 107.9 FM; delete Group // News Talk 1300. (TF)
	<b>WCLG</b>	<b>WV</b>	<b>Morgantown</b> – Adds // W221DR-92.1. (FCC)
<b>1320</b>	<b>KLWN</b>	<b>KS</b>	<b>Lawrence</b> – Adds // K269GP-101.7. (FCC)
<b>1330</b>	<b>KUKU</b>	<b>MO</b>	<b>Willow Springs</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
	<b>KGLD</b>	<b>TX</b>	<b>Tyler</b> – Adds //K285GY-104.9. (FCC)
<b>1340</b>	<b>WSOY</b>	<b>IL</b>	<b>Decatur</b> – Adds //W277DB-103.3. (FCC)
	<b>WTRC</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>Elkhart</b> – Format to NOS (ex-NWS/TLK); slogan to “Frank 1340,” networks to MoYL; delete // WTRC-FM-95.3.
	<b>KQDE</b>	<b>MT</b>	<b>Evergreen</b> – Format to Hip Hop (ex-CHR); slogan to “The Wild 97.9.”
	<b>KCAP</b>	<b>MT</b>	<b>Helena</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
	<b>KIHN</b>	<b>OK</b>	<b>Hugo</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
	<b>KRHC</b>	<b>TX</b>	<b>Burnet</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
<b>1360</b>	<b>KBYO</b>	<b>LA</b>	<b>Tallulah</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
<b>1380</b>	<b>WNRI</b>	<b>RI</b>	<b>Woonsocket</b> – Slogan to “NewsTalk 95.1,” adds //W261CB-95.1. (FCC)
	<b>WBTK</b>	<b>VA</b>	<b>Richmond</b> – Format to SS (ex-SS:REL); slogan to “Radio Poder.”
<b>1390</b>	<b>WSPO</b>	<b>SC</b>	<b>Charleston</b> – Slogan & Group to // Heaven 1390.
<b>1400</b>	<b>WILI</b>	<b>CT</b>	<b>Willimantic</b> – Slogan to “Good Company 1400 AM & 95.3 FM,” adds // W237EL-95.3. (FCC)
	<b>WSDO</b>	<b>FL</b>	<b>Sanford</b> – Delete slogan.
	<b>WEEP</b>	<b>MN</b>	<b>Virginia</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
	<b>WJWF</b>	<b>MS</b>	<b>Columbus</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
	<b>WYKC</b>	<b>MS</b>	<b>Grenada</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
<b>1410</b>	<b>KGSO</b>	<b>KS</b>	<b>Wichita</b> – Slogan to “Sports Radio AM 1410 & 93.9 FM,” adds // K254BI-98.7.
	<b>WHLN</b>	<b>KY</b>	<b>Harlan</b> – Slogan to “Hits & Favorites Station.”
<b>1420</b>	<b>WIGG</b>	<b>MS</b>	<b>Wiggins</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
<b>1430</b>	<b>WEEF</b>	<b>IL</b>	<b>Deerfield</b> – Adds // W256DC-99.1. (FCC)
	<b>WPNI</b>	<b>MA</b>	<b>Amherst</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
<b>1450</b>	<b>WROB</b>	<b>MS</b>	<b>West Point</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
<b>1460</b>	<b>WQXM</b>	<b>FL</b>	<b>Bartow</b> – Adds // W280FE-103.9. (FCC)
	<b>KKAQ</b>	<b>MN</b>	<b>Thief River Falls</b> – Format to C&W (ex-Rock/OLD); delete slogan.
<b>1480</b>	<b>WTLO</b>	<b>KY</b>	<b>Somerset</b> – Slogan to “1480 Timeless,” adds // W249DF-97.7. (FCC)
	<b>KLVL</b>	<b>TX</b>	<b>Pasadena</b> – Format to Asian (ex-Stunting); slogan to “Radio Dabang,” adds // K260AS-95.3. (GH)
<b>1490</b>	<b>WAFZ</b>	<b>FL</b>	<b>Immokalee</b> – Adds // WAFZ-FM-92.1; delete Group // La Ley FM.
	<b>WPNT</b>	<b>IN</b>	<b>South Bend</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
	<b>WCEC</b>	<b>MA</b>	<b>Haverhill</b> – Slogan to “Impacto 103.7 FM,” adds // W279DH-103.7. (FCC)
	<b>KHTC</b>	<b>MT</b>	<b>Malstrom AFB</b> – Format to UC:AC/OLD (ex-UC:AC).
<b>1500</b>	<b>WGHT</b>	<b>NJ</b>	<b>Pompton Lakes</b> – Networks to Ap. (TF)
<b>1560</b>	<b>KDDA</b>	<b>AR</b>	<b>Dumas</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.
<b>1580</b>	<b>WWTF</b>	<b>KY</b>	<b>Georgetown</b> – Format to Rock (ex-SPT); slogan to “WTF 97.7,” delete nets.
<b>1590</b>	<b>KMIC</b>	<b>TX</b>	<b>Houston</b> – Format to SS:REL (ex-Asian); slogan to “Radio Aleluya.” (GH)
<b>1660</b>	<b>KXOL</b>	<b>UT</b>	<b>Brigham City</b> – Deleted from FCC's amq.



### Updated Groups

// All Talk from A to Z – Adds K231CH-94.1, Bullhead City AZ  
 // News Radio 105.5 & AM 1240 – Adds K223CU-92.5 Colorado Springs CO  
 // No Bull Radio – Adds K246CP-97.1 Beeville TX

### New Groups

// Heaven 1390 – WSPO-1390, W261DG-100.1, W257BQ-99.3  
 // Hot Talk FM 95.1 AM 1080 – KOAN-1080, K236CG-95.1, K253CA-98.5  
 // Newsradio 1300 and 107.9 FM – WKCY-1300, WKCI-970, W300CN-107.9  
 // The Big Station – WZKD-950, WKXN-95.7, WKXK-96.7



### Deleted Groups

// 92.5 The River  
 // La Ley FM  
 // NewstalkKGVO.com

### From Radio Insight

**Beyond Reality:** Westwood One announced today that it has partnered with Entercom Communications to nationally syndicate its popular Beyond Reality Radio program, a two-hour talk show about the paranormal, launching on Monday, March 6, 2017. The show is co-hosted by Jason Hawes, co-founder of The Atlantic Paranormal Society (TAPS) and creator and star of Syfy's blockbuster hit Ghost Hunters, and JV Johnson, a long-time paranormal investigator and former publisher and editor of TAPS ParaMagazine, 16 Entercom stations, including KJCE/Austin, WRKO/Boston, WBEN/Buffalo, KEZW/Denver, WSKY/Gainesville, WYRD/Greenville, WBZU/WKZN/WILK/Wilkes-Barre, KMBZ/Kansas City, WWL/New Orleans, WBT/Charlotte and KNSS/Wichita. Westwood One will roll out syndication to stations nationwide and represent ad sales.

**FCC Translators:** The Federal Communications Commission today expanded the site locations where FM translators can rebroadcast AM radio stations. The amended rule provides greater flexibility for an AM station to place a rebroadcasting FM translator in a location where it will better serve its AM station's listeners.

AM radio stations that want to improve their service area with a clearer signal can do so by using an FM translator, which receives the AM signal and re-broadcasts it on an FM frequency. This is particularly useful for the many AM stations forced to reduce their power at night, since the FM translator can operate at the same power 24 hours a day.

At issue is a current FCC rule that may make finding a location for these translators unnecessarily challenging. Under the old rule, an AM station could place a rebroadcasting FM translator either within its daytime service contour or within a 25-mile radius of its transmitter, whichever distance was less. The new rule allows the rebroadcasting FM translator to be located anywhere within the AM station's daytime service contour or anywhere within a 25-mile radius of the transmitter, even if the contour extends farther than 25 miles from the transmitter.

The current rule proved too restrictive for some AM broadcasters, especially those whose transmitters were far from their communities of license. AM transmission systems require large amounts of land, and many AM broadcasters have been forced to relocate to sites far from the cities they serve, where land is available or affordable. The rule change today especially benefits these AM stations, and also helps other AM stations whose highly directionalized technical facilities currently limit the area where they can locate a cross-service FM translator.

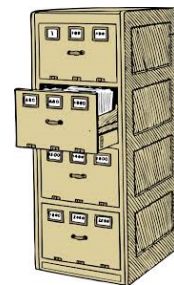
The Commission first authorized AM stations to rebroadcast over FM translators in 2009. In 2016, two filing windows opened that enabled more than 1,000 AM stations to acquire and relocate FM translators to rebroadcast their signals. Because of these actions, nearly 2,000 FM translators are currently rebroadcasting AM station signals, allowing many AM stations previously forced to reduce or eliminate nighttime power to now provide 24-hour service to their communities.

**Via Fox News:** Fox Talk show host Alan Colmes passed away February 23, 2017.

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## From the *DX News* archives ....

*Compiled by Ron Schiller.*



**75 Years Ago** – From the February 21, 1942 issue of *DX News*: Wildwood, NJ's Frank Lee logged his first African station: Tripoli 1104. Grant Batson (NY State) found TPs 7ZL-600, 2YH-750, 3GI-830, & 1YA-650 on a Monday morning. Buffalo's Kenneth Page received a verie from 4QS after 83 days in the mail & "going thru 3 censors." 1YA-650 & 3BZ-1430 made it to Jim Wedewer's Iowa shack. The NRC is participating in a "hobby show" at Reading, PA.

**50 Years Ago** – From the March 4, 1967 issue of *DX News*: Convention to be held this year in Eugene, OR. Speaking of Eugene, Mike Northram there logged ZCO-1020 Tonga, VRH3-Fiji, & 1ZD-NZ. ZBM-1 1235 Bermuda heard by Don Reynolds in CA. Marc DeLorenzo checked in from Mt Hermon, MA with Floridians WMEG-920 & rarer WRIZ-1550. Jamaican Michael Silvera logged CBH-860 NS in Kingston & WSWN-900 FL (his first US 900 station), leaving only 550 & 800 without a US logging!

**25 Years Ago** – From the February 24, 1992 issue of *DX News*: Bruce Conti (NH) listed 19 MW stations with parallels, highlighted by Guadeloupe-640, Fr. Guiana-1070 & Martinique-1090 as well as 12 MW stations with SW parallels. Bruce Winkleman's mini-bio: he's a Tulsa (OK) pharmacy owner using a R390A & ferrite bar loop; he previously DXed from WV & NC. Jeff Kitze logged CHEF-1450 PQ from his Dillwyn, VA location (Sony CFM-140 barefoot).

**10 Years Ago** – From the February 19, 2007 issue of *DX News*: This year's convention will be in Boise, ID hosted by Frank Aden. Ontario's Mike Brooker bagged both KGYN-1210 OK & KOKK-1210 SD at the same time. DX Contest furthest loggings to date: Conti (NH) Sudan1296 @ 6331 miles, while Richard Wood in HI had two Chinese stations at roughly 5300 miles each. Sunrise-Sunset Maps available for \$3.25 from the club.

# Domestic DX Digest – East

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## REPORTERS

- BC-NH** **Bruce Conti, Nashua** – Excalibur SDR, MWDX-5, variable termination SuperLoop antennas 50 x 60-ft at 60° northeast and 50 x 75-ft at 180° south.
- SC-IN** **Steve Chappell, McCordsville** – Home built receiver, K9AY loop antenna
- HF-MI** **Harold Frodge, Midland** – Drake R8B + 185' & 60' RW + 125' bow-tie
- JF-NJ** **Joe Fela, South Plainfield** – Superadio II
- HJH-PA** **Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre** – Grundig S-350, C Crane Skywave, Q-Stick Plus ferrite rod, ALA-1530 loop in attic
- KK-VA** **Kraig Krist, Manassas** – Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+ Imperium Loop
- TLK-FL** **Terry Krueger, Clearwater** – NRD-535, IC-R75, ICF-7600GR, roof dipole, active loop
- RJS-OH** **Bob Schroeder W8CRO, Cincinnati** – C Crane Skywave, CCRadio2E, Super Select-A-Tenna with outdoor long wire
- PS-ON** **Paul Snider, Welland** – ICOM R75, Pixel RF Pro-1B loop, MFJ-1020C tuner
- JW-PA** **Jim Weber, Lancaster** – Grundig S350
- MKB-ON** **Mike Brooker, Toronto** – Grundig G5, Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, C Crane CC Skywave, Panasonic RF-2200 (receiver emeritus)

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## CATCH THE DRIFT

- 1289.71 WOMP OH Bellaire** – 2/11 1800 – Fair and easily separable from 1290 kHz; “You’re listening to... ESPN Radio on 1290 WOMP AM Bellaire-Wheeling.” **(BC-NH)**

## UNID

- 1390 unID** -- - 2/11 0652 – “That Summer” by Garth Brooks briefly up, pointing NNE, with WROA and an unidentified Urban Gospel otherwise dominating. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1680 unID** -- - 2/12 0624 – The mystery “sweeper” tones – about 4 X per second – popping up again under WOKB and KRJO. Looping roughly ENE/WSW. Meanwhile, no 1650 “Beeper” (suspected malfunctioning HAR/TIS) or 1650 Morse SAC Gulf Of Mexico oil beacon (that one seemingly vanished for good). **(TLK-FL)**

## LOGGINGS

- 540 KWMT IA Fort Dodge** – 2/13 1812 – Local weather for Webster County, FortDodge.com spot. On top for 6 minutes after WETC powered down, but gave way to ESPN station. Caught another peak a few minutes later with C&W and “Country 5-40 KWMT” slogan. **(HF-MI)**
- WLIE NY Islip** – 2/13 1722 – Spanish religion, IDs all pronouncing call letters in EE, “W-L-I-E Cinco Cuarenta.” Barely on top until signal disappeared at 1730, presume power drop. Gave way to ESPN station. **(HF-MI)**
- WETC NC Wendell-Zebulon** – 2/13 1741 – Spanish religious programming, IDs as “Esta es WETC Wendell-Zebulon-Raleigh Radio Vision...,” call letters pronounced in EE. Rose up on top 11 minutes after WLIE powered down and disappeared at 1805, presume power drop, leaving KWMT. **(HF-MI)**
- WKFN TN Clarksville** – 1/19 2215 – Presumed with sports talk, lots of ESPN, ESPN-dot-com & ESPN app, ads. No ID heard, but the only other ESPN station on 540 is WAUK and their stream on Tune In didn’t match (they were playing the 66th NBA All Star game). Very poor with WGOP, WLIE, XEWA, possible Radio Rebelde and CBK. **(PS-ON)**
- CBK SK Watrous** – 2/14 2253 – Mainly over SS religious station with feature about Chopin to 2259, CBC Radio One program notes; ToH CBC News to 2304, “This is CBC Radio 1 for Saskatchewan” at end of local weather. **(HF-MI)**
- 550 KTSA TX San Antonio** – 2/20 0647 – Female reading traffic report with lots of road closures due to flooding, ID, time check. **(TLK-FL)**
- 560 KLZ CO Denver** – 2/12 0700 – Very poor with ToH ID, “KLZ AM 560.” **(SC-IN)**

- KMON MT **Great Falls** – 2/22 0159 – Very poor with C&W songs such as Mark Wills “19 Somethin’”. Heard again at 0359 with “Brokenheartsville” by Joe Nichols. Confirmed // to their web stream. New. **(SC-IN)**
- 560 WJLS WV **Beckley** – 2/9 2300 – Faded up for ToH ID, news headlines, then faded back down just as quickly. **(RJS-OH)**
- 570 WKBN OH **Youngstown** – 2/13 1746 – Ron Verb call-in show discussing the presidential election results from Trumbull County. Ads for Price Heating and Cooling and DJB Carpet and Supplies. Phone number for show given as (330) 729-9977. **(RJS-OH)**
- 580 WILL IL **Urbana** – 2/13 1800 – ToH ID and news about Illinois and Chicago. NPR Radio. By 1808 lost out to UNID station, believed to be WTCM. **(RJS-OH)**
- 590 WROW NY **Albany** – 2/18 0500 – Under local WEZE Boston; “590 on your radio, Albany Magic dot com on your digital devices, and now at 100.5 FM,” and jingle into CBS news. **(BC-NH)**
- 640 WXSM TN **Blountsville** – 2/14 1730 – ID as “6-40 The Sports Monster WXSM”; local ads for Steve Hart(?) Plumbing and Hayward Tire & Automotive; WXSM anniversary promo; local Tennessee news at 1756. Peaks well on top; no change at 1800, so no power drop. **(HF-MI)**
- 680 WCNN GA **North Atlanta** – 1/25 0700 – Poor with ToH ID, “WCNN North Atlanta The Fan.” **(SC-IN)**
- WINR NY **Binghamton** – 2/20 2126 – C&W music, possible news, “US 96.9” FM // slogan heard clearly between CFTR news items. Very poor under CFTR, also heard WPTF and possibly WDBC. **(PS-ON)**
- 700 CJLI AB **Calgary** – 2/12 2154 – Vocal hymns, talk by male (possibly a show promo), mentions of Edmonton, “The Light” in Calgary & High River, mailing address, more religious music, Christian rock song, ID at 2204 “...CJLI Calgary, The Light,” into gospel music show (Gospel Greats according to their website). Very poor, barely audible under WLW. **(PS-ON)**
- 810 WSYW IN **Indianapolis** – 2/9 2245 – Spanish language Mexican style music including a female vocal before “WSYW...La Pantera (with wild cat roar)” ToH ID. Fair a few times, but mostly poor to very poor under WGY. Another SS station in there as well. // to Tune In Stream. **(PS-ON)**
- 850 KFUE MO **Clayton** – 2/13 2115 – Choir music, “...KFUE... KFUE.org” ID at 2118, more music (Sacred Music show according to their website), promo for Moments of Assurance show “here on Worldwide KFUE...,” ad for CHI. Fair at times over WKNR to very poor. **(PS-ON)**
- 890 WKNV VA **Fairlawn** – 2/19 1800\* – Over/under WAMG; “Joy AM 890 WKNV Fairlawn, today’s southern gospel music and ministry station, now concludes its broadcast day... This is Joy AM 890 WKNV Fairlawn, 93.1 FM W226AT Christiansburg, and 97.1 FM W246CR Christiansburg, today’s southern gospel music and ministry station.” **(BC-NH)**
- 910 WABK ME **Bangor** – 2/15 2243 – Over semi-local WBZU at this time. ID as “Big 104 FM.” Had an ad that mentioned offices in Bangor and Ellsworth. Format 60’s and 70’s oldies. New. **(HJH-PA)**
- +++ - 2/20 2045 – 60s (British) and 70s rock mostly with “Big 104 FM” non-IDs. Generally atop the jumble most nights after not being heard for many years. Noted some Central Maine stuff to confirm ID. **(JF-NJ)**
- 930 WBEN NY **Buffalo** – 2/11 0644 – Ads for “My Buffalo Perks” website and American Clear Water into sports report including Niagara Purple Eagles vs. Canisius college basketball followed by ads for “Money Talk” show and “Market In The Square” in West Seneca. Weather report with Courtney Spamer. **(RJS-OH)**
- 960 WATS PA **Sayre** – 2/18 0658 – Over news and sports talkers with “Shut up and Dance” by Walk the Moon (music on AM, who knew?), ID by woman: “serving you for more than 60 years...WATS Sayre and WAVR-FM.” **(MKB-ON)**
- 980 WRNE FL **Gulf Breeze** – 2/20 0717 – Presumed with male preacher. COCO appropriately co-co channel. **(TLK-FL)**
- WONE OH **Dayton** – 2/16 1659 – Fighting CFPL groundwave (and losing) with iHeart Radio PSA saluting America’s veterans, “Fox Sports Radio WONE Dayton” ToH ID into Fox Sports news. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1050 KLOH MN **Pipestone** – 2/12 2344 – “Boondocks” by Little Big Town, “Tough Girl” by Tyler Hammond, ID at 2350: “The weather always changes, but we’re always



hot...KLOH Blazin' Country." Fair at times to very poor with CHUM and WEPN. Probably day power? **(PS-ON)**

- 1070 WGOS NC **High Point** – 2/19 1758 – Fair; Spanish vocal, ID, "Esta es WGOS 1070 AM High Point-Greensboro," then lost to CHOK and WNCT. New log. **(BC-NH)**
- 1080 WKJK KY **Louisville** – 2/8 2220 – "You're listening to talk radio 10-80, where Louisville comes to talk" slogan. **(RJS-OH)**
- 1150 WLOC KY **Munfordville** – 2/10 0646 – In multi-station mix with male "Read country" slogan, female "WLOC" call letter ID. **(KK-VA)**
- WBAG NC **Burlington-Graham** – 2/10 0612 – In multi-station mix with ID as "Your hometown radio station WBAG AM 11-50 and FM 105.9." **(KK-VA)**
- WGBR NC **Goldsboro** – 2/10 0600 – In multi-station mix (WLOC, WBAG, CKOC, WCRK and UNID Fox Sports) with male "WGBR Goldsboro AM 11-50 and 98.3 WGBR a locally owned and operated... station" ToH ID into news. **(KK-VA)**
- WIMA OH **Lima** – 2/15 2200 – Dominant with fair signal. Had local news and weather at this time. ID as best as I could transcribe it: "Broadcasting crystal clear from... this is News Radio WIMA." **(HJH-PA)**
- WCRK TN **Morristown** – 2/10 0714 – In multi-station mix with male "We are WCRK FM..." **(KK-VA)**
- 1160 WYDU NC **Red Springs** – 2/10 0557 – In multi-station mix (WYLL, WOBN, WODY, WMET, UNID sports talk and Spanish) with male "You are listening to 11-50 WYDU 'The Powerhouse' Red Springs North Carolina..." **(KK-VA)**
- 1170 WWTR NJ **Bridgewater** – 2/12 2318 – Another naughty daytimer on after sunset, but coming in very well at times. Not bad for 600 watts. Upbeat ethnic music, clear ID at 2319: "This is 8K Radio EBC" by accented male, into more music. Fair over WWVA at times to very poor. WDEK in there as well. **(PS-ON)** *Format is Indian (South Asian), so you were likely hearing Bollywood hits. Per tip from Joe Fela, they have been running 24 hours for at least the past ten days (as of 2/20). Mike.*
- WDEK SC **Lexington** – 2/10 0600 – In WWVA mix with "WDEK 11-70 AM Lexington Columbia" ToH ID, 0630 station promo: "You're listening to 'The Deck'...Beach, boogie, blues and music from beyond." **(KK-VA)**
- 1180 WLTT NC **Carolina Beach** – 2/10 0628 – In WHAM/WVLZ/Cuba mix with songs, male "11-80 WLTT" ID. New station for me. **(KK-VA)**
- WVLZ TN **Knoxville** – 2/10 0656 – In WHAM/WLTT/Cuba mix with sound of a buzzer from a sporting event, male "Home run 11-80 WVLZ Knoxville" ID. New station for me. **(KK-VA)**
- 1200 WXKS MA **Newton** – 2/18 0646 – In multi-station mix (WJUA, CFGO, WSML, at least two UNIDs) with male "Bloomberg 12 hundred and 94.7 FM" slogan. **(KK-VA)**
- WRKK PA **Hughesville** – 2/12 1055 – Weak to fair signal with "Rock 94.9" slogan for FM // into Pink Floyd "Dark Side of the Moon." Ad for "St. Patrick's Day tour, brought to you by Budweiser." New. **(HJH-PA)**
- 1210 WANB PA **Waynesburg** – 2/18 0717 – In WPHT and UNID Spanish mix with "WANB Cool Country" slogan. **(KK-VA)**
- 1220 WSLM IN **Salem** – 2/7 2105 – Fade up with clearly heard ID and into high school basketball game. **(RJS-OH)**
- 1230 WCBT NC **Roanoke Rapids** – 2/18 0601 – In multi-station mix (WJOI, WFAY, WFVA, UNID talk and other singing) with male "It's 6 o'clock... WCBT... Roanoke Rapids" near-ToH ID. **(KK-VA)**
- 1240 WGBB NY **Freeport** – 2/20 1801 – Fair; "AM 1240 and W240DF FM 95.9 Freeport, New York," into Chinese program. **(BC-NH)**
- WCNC NC **Elizabeth City** – 2/18 0610 – In multi-station mix (WPJL, UNID ESPN and oldies stations) with female "Classic country AM 12-40 and AM 12-60" slogan. **(KK-VA)**
- WPJL NC **Raleigh** – 2/18 0559 – In WCNC mix with male "WPJL Raleigh" ID. **(KK-VA)**
- 1260 WRIE PA **Erie** – 2/20 0743 – ID as "WRIE AM 1260 the Score" and CBS Sports Radio over more commonly heard "Score" WSKO in Syracuse, NY (also a CBS Sports Radio outlet). **(MKB-ON)**
- 1290 WIRL IL **Peoria** – 2/17 2333 – "Sounds of Silence" by Simon & Garfunkel, "I Think I Love You" by the Partridge Family as well as songs by James Brown, Leslie Gore, The Beatles, Glen Campbell, Al Wilson. No ID heard, but songs match playlist on [www.superhitswirl.com](http://www.superhitswirl.com). Poor in station mix including CJBK. **(PS-ON)**
- 1300 WNQM TN **Nashville** – 2/22 1759 – Over usual WOOD and WXRL groundwave with station promo asking for donations, mail your check to WNQM, 1300 WWCR Ave.,

Nashville, TN 37218. "You're listening to 1300 WNQM...Nashville Quality Ministries" ToH ID into local gospel show. QSLed on CPC DX test in 1994. **(MKB-ON)**

- 1330 WFIN OH Findlay – 2/18 0500 – Poor through WWRV; "This is your news, sports, and weather authority..." into ABC news. New log. **(BC-NH)**
- WYRD SC Greenville – 2/14 2154 – Man and woman talking about the TV show "The Bachelor." ToH ID and into ESPN Radio Sports Center with sports headlines. Talk about "The Bachelor" resumes. **(RJS-OH)**
- 1350 WLOU KY Louisville – 2/13 2320 – Gospel music, ID as "...WLOU on FM..." more gospel. Poor to very poor fighting with another gospel station (WLLY or WGPL?) as well as WARF and WPDR. // to Tune In stream. **(PS-ON)**
- 1360 WWOW OH Conneaut – 2/21 1700 – Alone on frequency, presumably on groundwave, with "you're listening to 1360 WWOW Conneaut" ToH ID and "Wow" jingle into "Where did our love go" by the Supremes. **(MKB-ON)**
- WHBG VA Harrisonburg – 2/11 1800 – Over/under WTOC and WDRC; "ESPN 1360... 101-3 WHBG Harrisonburg, WQPO HD2 Harrisonburg." **(BC-NH)**
- WTAQ WI Green Bay – 2/16 0020 – Coast to Coast AM, national ads, promo for Rush Limbaugh Show and mention of WTAQ at 0023. Fair to very poor in station mix. **(PS-ON)**
- 1380 WKJG IN Fort Wayne – 2/14 1704 – Peaking in the mix with local sports, Purdue spot; "ESPN Radio 13-80 AM and 100.9 FM" slogan. **(HF-MI)**
- WWNT NC Winston-Salem – 2/23 0029 – Spanish language Mexican style music, "Activa" slogan at 0033, more music. Very poor in station mix including WBEL. // WWBG-1470 (part of "Activa" Triad of stations: 1470 WWBG, 1380 WWNT and 1040 WSGW). **(PS-ON)**
- 1390 WTNL GA Reidsville – 2/12 0653 – Up in the stew just a moment with male "I'm Jackie...right here on WTNL" and faded. Listed as 280/35 watts. **(TLK-FL)**
- WPLM MA Plymouth – 2/20 1758 – Some sort of oldies format, faded for ToH ID, but mentioned "WPLM 99.1 Plymouth." **(JF-NJ)**
- WLCM MI Holt – 2/14 1657 – Religious program with Pastor Rick to ToH IDs, "AM 3-90 WLCM." Barely on top of the mix and gave way to WNIO after 1700. **(HF-MI)**
- WNIO OH Youngstown – 2/14 1700 – "Sport Roundup on the Sports Animal 13-90." Took over on top from WLCM after ToH. **(HF-MI)**
- WLLI TN Jackson – 1/17 1858 – Good, "WLLI AM Jackson WLLI FM Dyer, we're playing Classic Country for Jackson 1390 AM." New calls and format. **(SC-IN)**
- 1410 KGRN IA Grinnell – 2/18 0714 – Female "...right here on KGRN..." then male announcer, Central time check into Friday grain crop commodity numbers. Parallel station website stream. Quite a surprise, at 500/47 watts, presumably already on 500 watt PSRA. **(TLK-FL)**
- WING OH Dayton – 2/12 0758 – Over WDOE-Dunkirk, NY groundwave with promo for ESPN app, "1410 Wing AM, this is ESPN Radio" slogan ("Wing" as a word, not spelled out call letters). **(MKB-ON)**
- 1420 WACK NY Newark – 1/28 1647 – Very poor with "1420 WACK Newark... hometown... best talk..." station promo and may have heard something called "SB Nation Sports." **(SC-IN)**
- 1440 WZYX TN Cowan – 2/18 0655 – Vince Gill "I Still Believe In You" then male canned "What kind of music are you listening to?... WZYX, Cowan, Tennessee." Into Fox News. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1460 WKAM IN Goshen – 2/21 2231 – Slower Spanish language music, "Noches Romantica...La Raza" slogan, more music with same non-ID between songs, possible ads (one for Direct TV), another "La Raza" slogan at 2245. Poor to very poor in station mix including CJOY and usual WKDV nulled. // to Tune In stream. **(PS-ON)**
- WRVK KY Mount Vernon – 1/17 1745 – "WRVK" ID and trading post type information heard. New. **(SC-IN)**
- WBUC WV Buckhannon – 2/17 2305 – Fair to weak with nostalgia format. Had weather report after Fox News. Mostly alone. **(HJH-PA)**
- 1480 WSPY IL Geneva – 2/22 2306 – Heard clear "WSPY" ID in the station mix with probably news just before that, possible adult contemporary music. Very, very poor in station mix with possible WDAS (no ID heard), probably WHBC and WDJO. Not dominated by Spanish language stations tonight (WSDS, WTOX). **(PS-ON)**
- WDAS PA Philadelphia – 2/22 2256 – Started hearing jazz music while listening to WCFR Springfield, VT. No ToH ID heard or any ID, but managed to match "Butterflyz"

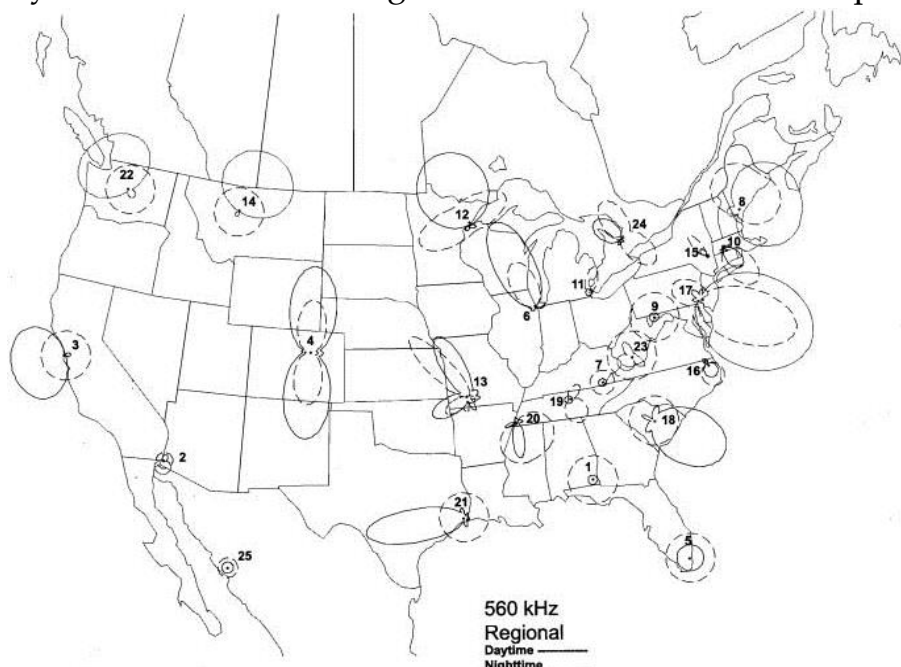
by Alicia Keys (noted at 2326) and "All For You" by Euge Groove (at 2334) to their stream on Tune In. Very poor in station mix. **(PS-ON)**

- 1490 WBCB PA **Levittown** – 2/17 1800 – Over WCEC; "1490 WBCB Levittown-Fairless Hills-Trenton," into USA news. **(BC-NH)**
- 1510 WMEX MA **Boston** – 2/18 0600 – Good; flagship promo, "...on AM 1080 KSCO," and ID, "Serving northern California for over 65 years, this is KSCO Santa Cruz," then local ID, "You're listening to the new 1510 WMEX Boston." **(BC-NH)** *This Boston station on 1510 has burned through a lot of calls and formats over the years. WMEX seems to be their best-known call, from when they used to be a Top 40 station in the 1960s. Mike.*
- 1530 WLCO MI **Lapeer** – 2/17 1800 – Over WVBF; WLCO Real Country ID into local network news, "This is MTN news, your number one source for news... Michigan and the Great Lakes region... MTN, covering the big stories that matter to you." MTN is Michigan Talk Network. **(BC-NH)**
- 1540 CHIN ON **Toronto** – 2/9 0650 – Over/under KXEL with Chinese music and talk, ads in EE for Remax Realty and auto care. Announcement in EE that the station is looking to hire someone fluent in EE and Italian with radio and TV experience. EE jingle ID at 0700: "15-40 'chin' am." "Chin" was sung as one word, not individual call letters. Followed by the Italian national anthem and into talk in Italian. **(RJS-OH)**
- 1550 WKBA VA **Vinton** – 2/15 1800 – Fighting nulled CBEF with "You're listening to the Ministry Station WKBA...and online at [themistrystations.com](http://themistrystations.com)" ToH ID into SRN news. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1570 WMVX MA **Methuen** – 2/16 0400 – Very nice ID on the hour followed by male announcer in Portuguese. Music through the hour then ID with frequency and location at 0500. Booming in after 0500. **(JW-PA)**
- +++ - 2/20 1800 – Running foreign language programming. Sounded French. (*Portuguese, see above. Mike*) ToH ID in English as WMVX. Don't know if this one is running 41 kW these days but it sounded like that and then a lot more. **(JF-NJ)**
- WNCA NC **Siler City** – 2/14 0301 – Just popped in over WMVX with a clear ID. **(JW-PA)**
- 1590 WCSL NC **Cherryville** – 2/12 0632 – Female ID, male (Michael, we're soon to learn) with phoned in local weather, "Thank you, Michael" by the lady and mention of an air conditioning company sponsoring. **(TLK-FL)**
- 1600 WAOS GA **Austell** – 2/16 0612 – "La Mejor" or "La Mejor de Atlanta" slogans announced regularly. Steady play of Mexican music, mostly "Ranchera" music; very little talk. **(RJS-OH)**
- 1610 CHHA ON **Toronto** – 2/12 0628 – Very good and alone with Spanish male reading off a lot of local phone numbers, "Voces Latinas" mention, into Country-ish vocal. Signal seems stronger than ever of late. **(TLK-FL)**



## NRC Antenna Pattern Book, 7th Edition

The 7th Edition of the NRC *Antenna Pattern Book* is now available. This all new edition prepared by NRC'er Paul Swearingen is an all-inclusive book of patterns for both Day and Night operation of



stations in the USA, Canada and selected foreign stations. The data for the book comes from the 34th Edition of the *AM Radio Log* and NRC'er John Callerman's comprehensive Mexican station listing.

The book comes shrink wrapped in 8½ by 11 three hole punch format for placement in your own three ring binder. There are 240 pages and the book has maps covering 530 through 1700 kHz depicting the lower USA, Canada and Mexico. Hawaii and Alaska are shown on separate maps at the of the book.

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# Domestic DX Digest – West

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## REPORTERS

- CSD-AZ** Carl "Skip" Dabelstein, KØSBV, Tucson, AZ. Drake SW8 and Icom R75; 400' BOG in desert wash behind my house, Radio Plus Quantum Loop, and LF Engineering Active Whip.
- GH-OK** Glenn Hauser, Enid, OK. Mostly DX-398 with internal antenna only; NRD-545 with ALA-330S E-W inside or N-S random wire; IC-R75 with E-W longwire; also available: PL-880 with internal or random wire; Nissan stock car radio when specified. Glenn's complete reports, with extensive commentary, are originally published in DX Listening Digest. <http://www.worldofradio.com/dxldmid.html> or, MW portions only.
- JDS-MN** Jeff Steffes, Watertown, MN. Panasonic RF 4900, modified Quantum Loop.
- JEL-MO** J.E. Lewis, Kansas City, MO. Honda Odyssey car radio.
- JJR-WI** John J. Rieger, South Milwaukee, WI. Icom IC-R75 MFJ-959B tuner, preamp Kiwa loop.
- JR-OK** John Reed, Shawnee, OK. NRD-525, Brigantina+AR7030; Homebrew tuned ferrite loops, Clifton Labs active whip, phaser.
- JW-CO** John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO. Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
- NJ-AZ** Nancy Johnson, Mesa, AZ. Drake R8B, Wellbrook ALA1530LNP.
- SMA-MB** Shawn M. Axelrod, VE4DX1SMA, VEPC4SW, Winnipeg MB. Icom ICR70 / Drake R8; 3 Foot un-amplified box loop / Quantum QX LOOP v2.0 / 155 Foot U shaped outdoor wire / 100 Foot indoor wire run around the basement walls / MFJ 1026 Phasing unit.

## DX LOGS

- 590 KXSP NE Omaha – 2/12 0745 – ESPN programming; local ads at 0758, followed by LID a few seconds before ToH: "KXSP Omaha. This is AM 590 ESPN Omaha, with sports news 24/7 on line at...(missed)..." Generally fair with good peaks. (JW-CO) 2/12 2059. Nice signal from one of my hometown favorites (at least when it was WOW). Program promo for Nebraska University Basketball game broadcast into TOH ID "AM 590, ESPN Omaha." (CSD-AZ)
- 610 KDAL MN Duluth – 1/21 0715 – Weather report with winter weather advisory ending with "From the KDAL weather center I'm Tony Schumacher." (JDS-MN)
- 620 CKRM SK Regina – 1/28 0714 – Out of song: "Drink In My Hand," Eric Church. Followed by spot for Sunday request and dedication program on CKRM. (JDS-MN)
- 640 WOI IA Ames – 1/28 0720 – Commercials with references to Iowa and Iowa Public Radio. Then fades out. (JDS-MN)
- 770 WVNN AL Athens – 2/8 0834 – Extended weather forecast, "Newstalk 770 and 92.5, WVNN, where Alabama talks, depend on it," 0835 on to 'live & local Dale? Dave? Jackson Show. I was expecting to hear bleed from KKOB/KKOB already, 8 minutes after sunrise here, but WVNN is in full daytime, not faded out yet, 7000/250 watts U2, Athens AL. (GH-OK) 2/17 0703 – Poor; no WABC. "92.5 WVNN" upon tune-in. #256 area code "in Athens." Logged in 1984 as WJMW with C&W. (JJR-WI)
- 770 WABC NY New York – 2/2 2148 – Plugs for "promo code W-A-B-C" to some 800 number, vs CCI, presumably including KKOB/KKOB. Unusual for WABC to make it ~1315 miles out to here. (GH-OK) 2/15 1958-2002 – Fair to poor, lots of splatter from WBBM (even with IBOC off) with multiple CL's, mention of New Jersey, "use code WABC" in connection with some product, into local news headlines, "WABC news time 8:02." Rare and first time this season which has not been outstanding, possibly related to very much above average temperatures. (JEL-MO)
- 790 WKRD KY Louisville – 2/19 0700 – Poor, "from the KY News Network, this is *Kentucky Focus...*" (JJR-WI)
- 790 WBLO NC Thomasville – 2/19 0702 – Lively SS music. Broke for local ID @:02. NC#60, 790#20. NEW! (JJR-WI)
- 810 WHB MO Kansas City – 2/11 0657 – Commercial for local business, Gas Light Grill, ESPN, Pro Flowers, Page Publishing, Grads of Life. Followed by TOH "You're listening to sports radio WHB, Kansas City." (JDS-MN)

- 870 KPRM MN **Park Rapids** – 2/11 0710 – Outdoors show; discussion between two male announcers with references to Red River spring flooding, snow depths, snowmobiles, ice fishing on Devils Lake and Lake of the Woods. Followed by commercials @0728 for *Sporting Journal Radio* and Midwest Outfitters. Into Station ID “KPRN 870.” Then spot for Great Northern Café, Park Rapids. (JDS-MN)
- 880 KHAC NM **Tse Bonito** – 2/7 2355 – Dominant with no LSB, as always running 10 kW day power at night, and at :55 past most hours for about 2 minutes, interrupting programming for *American Family News* which is anything but, pushing far-right agenda, pro-Gorsuch & pro-DeVos. (GH-OK)
- 970 WFUN OH **Ashtabula** – 2/17 0656 – Poor with 2 promos with “on ESPN 970 WFUN,” Applebee’s, *Mike & Mike*. Alone. (JJR-WI)
- 1020 KCKN NM **Roswell** – 2/15 0837 – Spanish alabanzas QRMing semi-local KOKP Perry OK, with a 68/minute SAH = 1.13+ Hz, so KCKN must be back on air. Loops for there rather than the other 50 kW SS, KMMQ Omaha market, which anyhow is areligious. It’s tough to keep up with KCKN’s comings & goings, as the latest NRC DX News dated Feb 20 but published Feb 12, reported in AM Switch, “Stations informing the FCC that they are silent: KCKN NM Roswell – Silent Jan. 26; transmitter was operating erratically” --- at least they are keeping FCC informed, with an understandable delay in getting the info out. The thing is, KCKN has no business QRMing KOKP, since it’s pre-sunrise there and should be on night pattern with null toward us, and mainly KDKA. But that’s SOP for KCKN. Are they telling FCC about that? (GH-OK)
- 1030 WBZ MA **Boston** – 1/7 0600 – Commercials including Visit St. George dot com, Big Brothers, Big Sisters Massachusetts, State Wide Auto Glass. Followed by station ID “WBZ radio Ten-Thirty, Boston.” Into WBZ news with the top story winter storm. (JDS-MN)
- 1040 WHO IA **Des Moines** – 1/7 0605 – Out of Fox News. Into three-day weather forecast ending with “News radio Ten-Forty Who.” (JDS-MN)
- 1060+ KIJN TX **Farwell** – 2/8 0838 – Spanish ad with heavy gringo accent for a pro-beef cattle-feeder in nearby Hereford TX, back to praise music; off-frequency on high side making usual fast SAH with anything else. (GH-OK)
- 1060 CKMX AB **Calgary** – 2/15 2112 – ID announcement “Calgary’s all-new Funny 1060 AM” followed by recorded comedy bits. (CSD-AZ)
- 1070 WNCT NC **Greenville** – 2/12 0711 – Poor. “Show & Tell” by Al Green; “Don’t Play that Song” by Aretha Franklin, ads with Highway 55 announcements, promo to advertise on North Carolina ??? radio station. Only fit. No WTSO. (JJR-WI) *Highway 55 in NC isn’t particularly close to Greenville, but there is a fast food chain called Highway 55 that has several locations near there. - DY*
- 1080 WONS KY **Cannonsburg** – 2/13 0639 – Poor; “WONS Cannonsburg-Ashland-Ironton, online at 1080WONS.com” into “Ain’t It Fun” by Paramore. Alone and atop. (JJR-WI)
- 1090 KAAZ AR **Little Rock** – 1/7 0639 – Out contemporary Christian music: “Somebody Died for Me.” Into Station ID: “AM Ten-Ninety KAAZ.” (JDS-MN)
- 1120 KMOX MO **St. Louis** – 1/7 0642 – Weather report ending. Followed by “The voice of St. Louis KMOX.” (JDS-MN)
- 1160 KSL UT **Salt Lake City** – 1/7 0657 – Out of *Live Abundant* with spot for live program in Salt Lake City. Followed by commercials including Today’s Military, United Way, and Geico Insurance. Then station ID at TOH “KSL, Salt Lake City.” Then back to *Live Abundant* program. (JDS-MN)
- 1170 KBOB IA **Davenport** – 1/7 0718 – Out of songs from artists including The Oak Ridge Boys, Don Williams, and Brad Paisley. Followed by “Born and bred in America. Real Country, Eleven-Seventy K-BOB.” (JDS-MN)
- 1180 WHAM NY **Rochester** – 1/7 0735 – Out of commercials for Open Door Mission, Rochester, and Renewal by Anderson. Into spot for NFL playoffs on News Radio Eleven Eighty. (JDS-MN) 2/22 1919 – Poor with CL, mention of Syracuse network, into basketball game. (JEL-MO)
- 1200 WOAI TX **San Antonio** – 1/7 0744 – Out of program *The Healing Path*. Into commercials for One-hour pain relief, and local businesses with references to Sn Antonio. Followed by Station ID; “News radio twelve-Hundred WOAI.” (JDS-MN)
- 1230 KLVT TX **Levelland** – 2/13 0824 – Local ads, call letter ID and mention of klvtradio.com. Barely readable above the jumble. (JW-CO)

- 1240 WHBU IN **Anderson** – 2/20 0706 – Poor; NewsTalk 1240 & 103.7FM WHBU, here's what's ..." over mess. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1280 KSOK KS **Arkansas City** – 2/15 0843 – Just as I tune in, non-ID for "103-3 The Mix," i.e. KSOK, before it's solid on daytime groundwave; and the FM is of course nothing but a translator but better than 100 watts night power on AM? Or rather, "The Mixx" per NRC AM Log. I couldn't hear the second X; classic rock ensues. **(GH-OK)**
- 1300 KVET TX **Austin** – 2/12 0900 – Tuned in just as legal ID was commencing a few seconds after ToH: "Austin's Sports Talk Leader AM 1300 KVET Austin, an iHeart radio station" and into NBA scores. Poor in QRM. **(JW-CO)**
- 1340 KWKC TX **Abilene** – 2/20 1805 – Sports talk and call ID. Weak signal with interference from other stations. New here. **(JR-OK)**
- 1440 KMED OR **Medford** – 2/10 2159 – ID as "This is News-Talk FM 106.7, AM 1440 and 99.3 KMED," followed by commercial spot for Valentine's Day Teddy Bears. **(CSD-AZ)**
- 1480 KLMS NE **Lincoln** – 2/12 0959 – Guy with legal ID at 0959:45: "We're ESPN 1480 KLMS Lincoln's Sports Authority...ESPN 1480 KLMS Lincoln," followed by ESPN programming. Fair, mixing with KBXD. **(JW-CO)**
- 1490 KDMO MO **Carthage** – 2/21 1630 – Over/under other stations with NOS music. Heard in loop null of KMFS, Guthrie OK playing gospel music with a strong signal. **(JR-OK)**
- 1540 KEDA TX **San Antonio** – 2/17 0816 – English and Spanish ads, call letter ID with AM and FM mentioned. Fair with KXEL mostly nulled. **(JW-CO)**
- 1550 KICS NE **Hastings** – 2/14 1900 – Fair signals with CBEF with a full dual ID for them and 1460 KXPB. Then into ESPN programming. NEW! Looking for other stations but when you hear a new one you do not complain. **(SMA-MB)**
- 1580 KQFN AZ **Tempe** – 2/9 1627 – Our local finally returned to the air with new KQFN calls, ex-KHEP. Noted with highlights of past sports events that lasted about a minute each followed by station promo "The Fanatic, your new home for sports is coming." 1629 "KFQN Tempe, Arizona's new home for sports, 1580 The Fanatic. We all have them, the moment that turns us from fan to fanatic. Those moments live here, the new home for sports in Arizona." Many "The Fanatic" slogans. The new format will begin Monday 2/13. **(NJ-AZ)**
- 1580 KHEP AZ **Tempe** – 2/10 1530 – KQFN call letters were used for only one day (2/9) and returned to KHEP calls on 2/10. Still use "The Fanatic" slogan. Sounds like they are off the air overnight as we can hear them in Mesa only during the day. **(NJ-AZ)** *Yes, see AM Switch – D1 10000 for now, and officially always KHEP – DY.*
- 1580 KKTS WY **Evansville** – 2/23 0900 – ID ".99.3 FM, KKTS AM 1580 Evansville-Casper." Good through nulled KBLA, no sign of local KHEP. Not new, but rare here. **(NJ-AZ)**
- 1590 KMIC TX **Houston** – 2/13 2047 – Earnest preaching Christian stuff in Spanish, dominating frequency for a while and slightly stronger on N/S than on E/W antenna. Her ministerio is named Cristo Te Llama Hoy, and says it's on FB by that name. 2054 gives contact info including a P.O. Box somewhere in Tejas, and her apellido is Herrera. 2055 to music and fadeout; 2059 fade-in a bit, but no ID; 2100 fade in better with norteña song, maybe hymn, cut off at 2102 to intro next program, maybe mentioning Alma Viva, phone number, and fade into QRM as I have to QRT, without getting a DF on the DX-398. Also a persistent het on low side, maybe KWBG IA as in DXLD 16-15. First thought is KMIC Houston, but as we discovered a few months ago, it flipped from R Aleluya to Asian. But online research on the program leads to R. Aleluya! So is KMIC still Radio Dabang, or not, or partly that and partly Aleluya?? The latter still claims to be on 980 and 88.1. 2/14 2040 – Another try; just some gospel music and talk; at 2058 mentions La Virgen María, Catholic rather than Pentecostal or Hindu keywords. Then arrives this clarification from our DXLD correspondent in Houston, Stephen Luce, saying: "Glenn, it appears KMIC 1590 is back to Radio Aleluya, Spanish language religion. Radio Dabang had been on 1590 for several months with South Asian programming, after moving off KLVV 1480. KLVV launched a new FM translator on 95.3, which went on the air with South Asian programming a couple of weeks ago. I discovered that it was Radio Dabang, // to both KLVV 1480 and KMIC 1590. Now it seems that Radio Dabang has dropped 1590 in favor of the FM signal and its poorer AM counterpart. At a 0300 check February

15, KMIC 1590 was // to sisters KJOZ 880 and the local 88.1 FM, but NOT // to siblings KQUE 980 or KRCM 1380 (apparently running more than authorized 50 watts at night, but much less than the 22 kW day power; perhaps using directional array instead of ND?). (GH-OK)

- 1590 KDAV TX **Lubbock** – 2/6 0817 – “AM 1590 The Spirit KDAV Lubbock” ID, then into music. Fair signal in null of dominant KVGB. (JW-CO)
- 1600 KUSH OK **Cushing** – 2/8 1610 – With several classic country and classic rock tunes; 1616 ad string including promo for News9 (KWTW)’s latest weather gadget coming soon; 1618 “Oklahoma’s Americana Station, KUSH 1600 and KUSH.com, The Kush.” No longer with talk shows in afternoon, such as the sparsely-affiliated Marilu Henner show. Upgrade from 1 to 5 kW ND daytime was completed some time ago, resulting in slightly better groundwave signal here; with 70 watts at night, we’d never know it exists vs the skywave from Denver, St Louis, Dallas, etc. In fact, during above log occasional fades produced SAH of 5 or 6 Hz, probably from Vietnamese Metroplexer KRVA, which is its major nemesis once skywave starts to kick in. (GH-OK)
- 1610 CHHA ON **Toronto** – 2/11 0055 – South Asian music, so is it CHHA? Not all their programming is Latin, notably 2200-2300 Punjabi Mon-Fri, and 2300-2400 Sunday. But until 0100 online schedule has ‘El Nocturno de Radio Voces Latinas’ which implies Spanish. There is another ethnic Canadian on 1610, CHRN, Montreal, supposed to be all-Asian, with only 1 kW vs 6.25 from CHHA, and closer CHHA normally blocks it here. Disorganized and incomplete online CHRN schedule says 2200-0400 Punjabi News Monday to Friday. (GH-OK) 2/22 2258 – “CHHA” heard, also “La voz de la comunidad” and instrumental music later on. In & out with fair signal. New province! (NJ-AZ)
- 1680 KRJO LA **Monroe** – 2/16 2150 – AC music with ID “99.7 My FM.” Good reception with slight fading. (JR-OK)

#### UNID

- 1530 UNID -- 2/19 0830 – Station which sounded like a syndicated program of easy listening or nostalgia music from the 1930’s through the 1960’s. No ID or slogan heard but in good at times over WCKY. Any ideas who this was? Cannot find anything close to this in the NRC AM Log. (SMA-MB)
- 1570 UNID -- 2/15 0815 – Faded up in a mess with Kickin’ Country ID possible FM as well as AM frequency. Into classic country music then faded out. Only Kickin’ Country I can find on line is WKKS?? Help...(SMA-MB)

Thanks for all your contributions. See you next time. (JDT-WA)

## Unreported Domestic Stations

One station – WTNL-1390 – reported to DDXD this issue for the first time since at least 1999-2000 (Volume 67). We now have just 427 stations on the unreported list for this period. The full list was last printed in issue 83-19. Can you hear one and report it next time?



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## TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 171 **MOROCCO** *R.Mediterranee Internationale*, Nador FEB 5 0500 – Male Arabic vocal, Arabic talk by woman, *Medi Un* mention; fair. [Connelly-MA] FEB 22 0430 – Flute like instrumental. Fair signal. [Beu-TX]
- 198 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 4*, Droitwich et al. FEB 5 0500 – Woman, “This is the BBC World Service, the world’s radio station.” Fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 216 **FRANCE** *RMC Roumoules* FEB 5 0500 – Man and woman in French; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 225 **POLAND** *Polskie Radio*, Konstanynow FEB 5 0500 – Woman in Polish, 5+1 pips, talk by man; on USB to dodge beacons. [Connelly-MA]
- 234 **LUXEMBOURG** *RTL Junglinster* FEB 5 0500 – French news by woman; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 243 unID FEB 5 0500 – Talk by man; weak. [Connelly-MA]
- 252 **ALGERIA** *R.Algerienne*, Tipaza FEB 5 0500 – 5+1 pips (last higher pitch), man and woman in French; loud, best longwave TA. [Connelly-MA] FEB 22 0441 – Announcements by man. Fair signal. [Beu-TX]
- 531 **ALGERIA** *Jil FM*, F’kirina Wilaya d’Oum El Bouaghi FEB 5 0500 – Marching band anthem parallel stronger 549, man in Arabic, fanfare music; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 549 **ALGERIA** *Jil FM*, Sidi Hamadouche FEB 5 0500 – Parallel 531 with “tubby” marching band anthem, man in Arabic, fanfare music; good. [Connelly-MA] FEB 18 0558 – Fair; choral marching band national anthem, then time signal and *Jil FM* ID into news by a woman. FEB 23 2300 – Good; *Jil FM* jingle, techno bumper music to announcements, “...a la Jil FM,” into contemporary music. [Conti-NH]
- 621 **CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros FEB 5 0500 – 5+1 pips, fanfare music, man “Radio Nacional de España, servicios informativos”; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 639 **SPAIN** *RNE1* La Coruña et al. FEB 5 0500 – Parallel 621 with news; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 684 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Sevilla FEB 5 0500 – Pips, fanfare parallel 621; in bad WRKO slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 693 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5*, Droitwich et al. FEB 5 0500 – Five Live mention; through slop. [Connelly-MA] FEB 18 0100 – Fair; canned ID and time check into news, “It’s one o’clock on Five Live.” [Conti-NH]
- 774 **EGYPT** *ERTU* Abis FEB 20 2300 – Drifting high, measured at 774.170 kHz. Reports in the mwoffsets group varied from 774.165 to 774.169 kHz. Previously measured as high as 774.38 kHz. Iran at 773.968 kHz also observed. [Conti-NH]
- 774 **SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros FEB 5 0500 – News parallel 621; to fair peak. [Connelly-MA] FEB 24 0100 – Fair; marker and time checks into “Radio Nacional de España, servicios informativos.” [Conti-NH]
- 783 **MAURITANIA** *R.Mauritanie*, Nouakchott FEB 5 0500 – Koran; good. [Connelly-MA] FEB 24 0200 – Fair; telephone talk. Koran at 0300 re-check. [Conti-NH]
- 792 **SPAIN** *SER* Sevilla FEB 5 0500 – Spanish news; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 837 **CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN** *COPE* synchros FEB 5 0500 – Man in Spanish, 5+1 pips, fanfare music; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 855 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Murcia et al. FEB 5 0500 – Parallel 621 with news; to good peak, slight echo or reverb. [Connelly-MA] FEB 17 2259 – Fair; “24 Horas,” bumper music up to marker and time checks into “servicios informativos.” [Conti-NH]
- 873 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros FEB 5 0501 – Man and woman in Spanish; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 891 **ALGERIA** *R.Algerienne*, Ouled Fayet FEB 18 0400 – Fair; continuous 1 kHz tone. [Conti-NH]
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5* synchros FEB 5 0500 – Five Live news parallel 693; through WABK slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 918 **SPAIN** *R.Inter*, Madrid FEB 5 0501 – Woman in Spanish; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 936 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros FEB 5 0500 – News parallel 621; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 954 **SPAIN** *Onda Cero*, Ctra Humera (Madrid) FEB 5 0500 – Fanfare; man “Noticias de Onda Cero”; fair. [Connelly-MA]



- 972 **SPAIN** RNE1 Cabra//Monforte de Lemos FEB 5 0500 – News by woman parallel 621; in WZAN slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 999 **SPAIN** COPE Madrid FEB 5 0500 – Talk parallel 837; to fair peak over IBOC hash. [Connelly-MA] FEB 17 2259 – Fair; Radio Deportivo promo leading up to time marker on the hour, parallel 837 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1008 **SPAIN** SER synchros FEB 5 0500 – Parallel 1044 with 5+1 pips, fast-talk man in Spanish “servicios informandos” then woman; poor to fair through WINS slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1026 **SPAIN** SER synchros FEB 5 0500 – Parallel 1044 with man and woman in Spanish; fair during breaks in slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1044 **SPAIN** SER San Sebastián//Valladolid FEB 5 0500 – Spanish news parallel 1008, 1116; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros FEB 5 0500 – Advert for world class football website, *TalkSport* ID; fair with some echo. [Connelly-MA]
- 1098 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros FEB 5 0500 – News parallel 621; to good peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 1107 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros FEB 5 0500 – News parallel 621; good over low growl. [Connelly-MA]
- 1116 **SPAIN** SER synchros FEB 5 0500 – Talk parallel 1008, 1044; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1125 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros FEB 5 0500 – News parallel 621; to good peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 1134 **SPAIN** COPE synchros FEB 5 0500 – News parallel 837 fair through breaks in slop. “En Galicia” clearly mentioned at 0500:30, not sure if part of a local ID since parallels muddy at that moment. [Connelly-MA]
- 1143 **SPAIN** COPE synchros FEB 5 0500 – Bits of Spanish talk; poor. Apparent weak carrier/tone on 1144, too much CBI to see if also on 1142 (as from 1 kHz tone test). [Connelly-MA]
- 1152 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros FEB 5 0500 – RNE news intro parallel 621; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1179 **CANARY ISLANDS//SPAIN** SER synchros FEB 5 0500 – Woman and man with Spanish news parallel 1044; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1215 **SPAIN** COPE synchros FEB 5 0501 – Man with Spanish news parallel 837; under UK. [Connelly-MA]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Absolute Radio* synchros FEB 5 0501 – Male rock vocal; mixed with Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 1287 **SPAIN** SER Burgos//Lleida//Lugo FEB 5 0500 – Spanish news by man; fair, slight echo/reverb. [Connelly-MA]
- 1296 **SPAIN** COPE Valencia FEB 5 0500 – 5+1 pips, fanfare music, news by man; to good peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 1305 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros FEB 5 0501 – Woman in Spanish parallel 774; to fair peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 1314 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros FEB 5 0500 – Spanish news; poor with weak growl carriers on 1313.903 and 1314.083 kHz. [Connelly-MA]
- 1413 **SPAIN** RNE5 synchros FEB 5 0500 – News parallel 621; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1467 **FRANCE** TWR Roumoules FEB 19 2243 – Good, weak het from 1467.363 Iran; end of Arabic program with contact info, 2245 one cycle of interval signal and off as listed for Sunday per online program schedule, leaving a weak unID 1467 along with offset Iran. [Conti-NH]
- 1485 **SPAIN** SER synchros FEB 5 0459 – Talk parallel 1044; to fair peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 1503 **SPAIN** RNE5 La Línea de Concepción//Piñeira FEB 5 0500 – *R.Nacional de España* ID parallel 621; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *SBC R.Riyadh*, Duba FEB 15 0230 – Carrier making quite audible tell-tale het against 1520.0 KOLM and KOKC, signifying transatlantic propagation is open. But nothing detected on several other lower split frequencies checked. So I try longwave, finally get some transatlantic carriers on 162, 198, 207, 216 kHz on the NRD-545 and ALA-330S, with no sign they are NDB’s, although some higher LWBC channels are beacon-blocked. 216 is strong enough to DF on the DX-398 as from northeast. I was a bit surprised at 162 as France is presumably running much reduced power now just for phase-modulated time signals. 198 would be BBCR4, 207 Iceland (but no 189), 216 Monaco/France. Or Morocco is also listed on 207, but nothing heard on 171 kHz. [Hauser-OK]
- 1521 **SPAIN** SER *R.Castellón*, Ctra Valencia FEB 5 0500 – Woman with news parallel 1044; fair on USB. [Connelly-MA]
- 1575 **SPAIN** SER synchros FEB 5 0500 – Woman with Spanish news; mixed with other station (likely Italy). [Connelly-MA]
- 1584 **SPAIN** SER Gandía//Orense FEB 5 0500 – Talk, emphasis music parallel 1044, 1116; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1593 **ROMANIA** *R.Romania Actualitati*, Ion Korvinn FEB 5 0501 – Romanian news talk by man; to fair peak, deep fades. [Connelly-MA]

1602 **SPAIN** *SER* sychros FEB 5 0500 – News parallel 1584; poor. [Connelly-MA]

#### PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 539.83 **NICARAGUA** *R.Corporación*, Managua FEB 13 1145 – Announcements/talk by male hosts. Peaking to excellent signal. [Beu-TX]
- 670 **VENEZUELA** YVLL *R.Rumbos*, Caracas FEB 13 0209 – Talk by male announcer in Spanish with unmistakable pan flutes in the background, another announcer with mention of *R.Rumbos* and capital region. Very poor under WSCR (during fade) and *R.Rebelde*. Parallel to Tune In stream. [Snider-ON]
- 710 **MEXICO** XEMP *La Nueva 710*, México, DF FEB 20 1203 – Anthem in progress, male canned slogan, calls, frequency into Mexi-tunes. Slight *R.Rebelde* co-channel. [Krueger-FL]
- 720 **NICARAGUA** *R.Católica*, FEB 12 0411 – Man in religious talk, sign off at 0430 with announcements by woman and national anthem. Peaking to good signal. [Beu-TX]
- 750 **VENEZUELA** YVKS, *RCR*, Caracas FEB 2 0132 – News talk format with “RCR” ID’s. Good steady signal. [Beu-TX]
- 760 **COLOMBIA** HJAJ, *RCN*, Barranquilla FEB 12 0610 – Instrumental jazz with talks in Spanish by male in between songs. Poor to very poor under WJR. Parallel to Tune In stream. [Snider-ON]
- 810 **BAHAMAS** ZNS3 Freeport FEB 13 1123 – Religious program and gospel music. Peaking to good signal. [Beu-TX]
- 810 **COLOMBIA** HJCY Bogotá FEB 18 1110 – Spanish news talk with man and woman announcers. Good signal. [Beu-TX]
- 910 **VENEZUELA** YVRQ Caracas FEB 12 0523 – Spanish language music, tones in between songs with possible ID’s, ID at 0535, “910... Música en la radio...” Fair at times to very poor in station mix. Parallel to Tune In stream. [Snider-ON]
- 1450 **CUBA** *R.Mayabeque*, Santa Cruz del Norte FEB 20 1133 – Station theme with male ID atop. [Krueger-FL]

#### TRANS-PACIFIC DX

Transpacific carrier search FEB 15 1320-1328 – I had all these on the DX-398 when I awoke just after sunrise at 1319 UTC; 558, 594, 612, 774, 1134, 1422, 1548, 1557, 1566 kHz. FEB 23 1259-1302 – All from northwest, i.e. Japan, Korea; 774, 747, 594, 1566 kHz. LSR here 1309 UTC, to surpass 1300 in one week. [Hauser-OK]

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Mike Beu KD5DSQ, Austin TX; Drake R8B, terminated Delta antenna (17-ft apex and 28-ft base) northeast, Mini-Flag antenna (7 x 15-ft) southeast.

Mark Connelly WA1ION, South Yarmouth MA; Microtelecom Perseus, cardioid-pattern SuperLoop 10m vert. by 11m horiz. (peak 165°, null 345°).

Bruce Conti WPC1CAT, Nashua NH; WinRADiO Excalibur, MWDX-5, variable termination SuperLoop antennas 15 x 18-m 60° northeast and 15 x 23-m 180° south.

Glenn Hauser, Enid OK; NRD-545 with ALA-330S or north/south not very long wire, DX-398 or PL-880 with internal antenna only, sometimes IC-R75 with ~100-ft east/west longwire.

Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater FL; NRD-535, IC-R75, wires, active loop.

Paul Snider, Welland ON; ICOM R75, Pixel RF Pro-1B Loop, MFJ-1020C as tuner.

73 and Good DX!

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Report your verifications to the NRC eGroup and they will appear here, or send them directly to me at the above address. Thanks again John. Next deadline: 4/27 6 PM PLT. pb

- 960 **KLAD** **OR**, Klamath Falls. PPC in 20 days for f/up report. V/s illegible. (JW-CO)
- 1380 **KRCM** **TX**, Shenandoah. PPC, stickers, refrig magnet/calendar in 8 days for new report to parent Daij Media (2 previous reports to station address were not answered). V/s ??, C.E. (JW-CO)

**John Wilkins**, Wheat Ridge CO (JW-CO)

# Musings of the Members

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Hello all hope everyone is warm and safe as we in the northeast US cope with some cold temps and snow looking forward to spring. Yet memories and thoughts of a great man, a warm friend, an honorable NRC member, and the sweetest and kindest person I ever knew when from in DXN Volume 84, No. 9 issue courtesy of Dave Schmidt did I learn of the passing on December 27, 2016 of Cary Simpson at age 89. Born on January 25, 1927, even at early age Cary began learning and was fascinated by the broadcast medium. A young DXer, he cherished listening, receiving, and keeping notes of our wonderful enthusiasm. A native of Huntingdon, PA and graduate of Juniata College, Cary enlisted in the Navy during WW II and along with his father was possibly the only father and son to serve in the 6th Fleet. Returning home, he helped build WHUN Huntingdon, married his wonderful wife Betty that lasted many years, raised two children in Ted and Barbara, and would eventually have 8 grandchildren. A member of the Tryone Presbyterian Church, Cary's dream in radio became a reality when he formed the Allegheny Mountain Network(AMN) that would encompass 13 stations beginning in 1947 when he signed on WKBI Saint Marys, PA. Then by 1955 Cary would bring to the air WTRN-1340 and WGMR-101.1 in 1961 until he sold the FM in 2008 to Forever Broadcasting. Many years later Cary added 100.7(W264BZ), a move Cary stated, "helped save us(WTRN)". In 1956, Cary became an enthusiast again joining the NRC. A true lifelong member, he enjoyed each issue and input from many members. Over the years as Cary served in local Tyrone posts, he also traveled to radio conferences all over the US to gain insight in our medium, help his stations, and meet with other veteran broadcasters. A member of the National Association of Broadcasters(NAB), the Radio Advertising Bureau, and Director and past President of the Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters, Cary would be honored in 1985 as our state's Broadcaster of the Year and be inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1996. Many years later Cary sold off his AMN stations that once totaled 13 to now the 2 of WTRN.

My, and our, friendship began in 1995 while on a lunch break after a work delivery in nearby Tipton did I meet Cary and Betty at their station. "Where the listening is easy" at WTRN and as our friendship grew, I literally became Cary's eyes and ears for all my convention trips, station visits, and travels especially in 2005 before NRC Kulpville, outside Philadelphia, when I toured stations in the middle of our state and stayed Thursday night with another wonderful and legendary member Kermit Geary. Not only did we share enjoyable insights on radio, Cary also became a personal friend offering kind remarks I was honored to receive. I always felt neglected many of our members never met him because they surely would have enjoyed his thoughts and gentlemanly attitude. Adhering to being a station owner and duties for the Labor Day weekend during my conventions in Pittsburgh for 2001 and 2008, I offered to drive him here for one day to which he politely declined. One of the most endearing local stations I have seen, Cary would relate tales of how he and staff members would set up remote broadcasts for parades, events, and Christmas Eve church services the listeners could depend upon and the little 'quirks' or arrangements needed to broadcast them! Still on Pleasant Valley Road just south of the center of Tyrone, in between Altoona and State College, for the past 7 years friend Joseph and I would meet Cary at WTRN the Wednesday before traveling to Berwick, PA for a 107 year old 9 mile "Run for the Diamonds" race on Thanksgiving Day. A few years ago at 4 pm on his police and weather bulletin scanner, I'll always remember Cary warning us of a 3 vehicle accident, cars and a tractor trailer, after a white out snow storm at the Bald Eagle exit on southbound Interstate 99 that I saw moments later! Many times he would either send or give me receivers and documents from his childhood or in his collection. Years ago, I began and completed an honored project for him redesigning photographs in a neat and concise album of when he was younger. Sadly, in early November, 2016 Cary was misdiagnosed by the emergency room doctor at his local hospital. His primary physician reversed treatment of less salt intake and becoming more hydrated, but by then Cary was in a weakened state kindly warning my friend and I not to stop before Thanksgiving, 2016. A kind courtesy now to son Ted Simpson helping to oversee operations at WTRN.

Of all the great friendships and bonds I have over the years first with Dave Schmidt, then with Jerry Bond, Ray Arruda, Ernie Wesolowski, Paul Swearingen, Bill Hale, Bill Dvorak, Scott Fybus, Paul Mount, George Greene, Frank Merrill, Bob Smolarek, Wayne Heinen, Chris Cuomo, Curt White, Bill Swiger, John Bowker, John Callerman, Jerry Starr, Kermit Geary, Mike Lantz, and anyone I have omitted, I will always treasure the time I shared with Mr. Cary Simpson. I shall miss you my friend Cary. "Where our friendship will always be treasured." Thank you, members. JRM

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