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Membership Report

"Renewed via PayPal for my 61st year. I can't

New Members: Welcome to John Kirby, Palos Heights, IL, and Robert Timmerman, Fishers, IN. Rejoining Members: Welcome back to Robert Carlson, North Attleboro, MA, and John McNutt,

Renewing Members: Thanks for the ongoing support of Charles L. Bartlett; Thomas Berhalter;

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<u>**RIP**</u>: We are sad to report that longtime NRC Richard D. Hansen; Arthur Jackson; Eric G. Norberg; Charles Reh; Douglas E. Smith; Alan February 14. Former NRC member Bob Hlivak Sykes; and James Tedford.

obituary: https://obits.staradvertiser.com/2022/02/27/albert From the Publisher: The NRC has received some four copies of the final edition of the World Radiomemories of Al in this issue's Musings column. TV Handbook 2022 - we'll provide them to Our condolences to Al's family and many DX members drawn at random for the cost of shipping. For details please check page 22 ... deadline to participate is April 2.

> One more biweekly issue and then we'll slow down a bit with the coming of spring.

Volume 89 DXN Schedule

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13	Mar. 13	Mar. 22	17	June 26	July 5
14	Apr. 3	Apr. 12	18	July 24	Aug. 2
15	Apr. 24	May 3	19	Aug. 21	Aug. 30
16	May 22	May 31	20	Sept. 11	Sept. 20

930 AM National Radio Club's AM Radio Log The 42nd Edition for 2021-2022 WBNL

NRC AM Radio Log – 42nd Edition

The National Radio Club, the World's Oldest and Largest Broadcast Band DX Club is proud to announce the publication of the 42nd edition of the AM Radio Log. The AM Radio Log is a source for information on AM Radio Stations in the United States and Canada. The Log contains 304 pages of individual station data and cross references and an additional 12 pages of instructions in 8-1/2" x 11" size, 3-hole punched U.S. loose leaf format. This publication fits nicely into a 1" three-ring binder. Reference lists include State/Provinces in frequency order, listings of regional groups of stations in the groups section and a comprehensive list of FM translators that are now simulcasting with AM broadcasters.

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AM Switch

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FCC and CRTC Decisions and Applications

CALL CHANGES

1400WGCVGAElberton – Call change to WATG (Feb. 21); still silent, WGCV never used on air.1470WGNRINAnderson – Call change to WRPU (Feb. 22).

STATIONS GOING DARK

810 CKJS MB Winnipeg – Silent and deleted; move to FM is complete.



CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CPS) FOR EXISTING STATIONS

CPs fully licensed and on the air:

- **620 WZON ME Bangor** Granted license to cover CP with U1 5000/620, adjust coordinates to 44-49-47/68-47-02.
- **1110 WCBR KY Richmond** Granted license to cover CP with D1 340, new site 37-45-02/84-12-22.
- **1410 WSHY IN Lafayette** Granted license to cover CP with U1 260/29, adjust coordinates to 40-21-42/86-52-41.
- **1520 WLAK WI New Holstein** Granted license to cover CP with D1 550, <u>ex-1530 kHz</u>, existing site.
- 1560 WWYC OH Toledo Granted license to cover CP with U1 1000/3 (ch 920), existing site.
- **1600 WRAX PA Bedford** Granted license to cover CP with U1 1000/18, existing site.

CPs built, awaiting final licensing (probably being used on the air):

- **1290 WPVD RI Providence** Applies for program test authority on CP with U1 400/16, adjust coordinates to 41-51-22/71-26-44.
- **1480 WDYS IL Somonauk** Granted program test authority for CP with U1 250/140, <u>CoL ex-</u> <u>Geneva IL</u>, new site at 41-40-06/88-34-06.
- **1550 WCSJ IL Somonauk** Granted program test authority for CP with U1 380/6, <u>CoL ex-</u> <u>Morris IL</u>, same new site as WDYS-1480.

CPs granted:

- **600** KOGO CA San Diego Granted CP with U4 9000/10000, new site (co-located with KGB-760) at 32-50-33/117-01-30.
- **1320 WFHR WI Wisconsin Rapids** Granted CP with U1 5000/89 (already using this as STA), adjust coordinates to 44-24-55/89-50-09.
- **1400 WRZX GA Newnan** Granted CP with U1 700/700, new site (diplexed with WNEA-1300) at 33-22-31/84-47-08.
- **1510 KCTX TX Childress** Granted CP with U1 250/2, new site (current STA site) at 34-26-20/100-13-10.

Modifications to existing CPs granted:

- **1320 WJNJ FL Jacksonville** Has CP with U1 5000/80, new site (diplexed with WZAZ-1400) 30-19-43/81-41-42, granted modification to U1 16000/80, same new site.
- **1400 WATG GA Elberton** Has CP to move to Clayton GA with U1 1000/1000, granted change of new site to 34-53-16/83-23-50.
- **1420 KMOG AZ Payson** Has CP with U2 3000/500, existing site; granted change to D1 3000, existing site.

SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)



STAs granted:

560	KMON	MT Great Falls – Granted STA, U1 5000/1000, night pattern issues.
1040	WSCH	NC Lowisvillo Cranted STA U/ 1000/182 from backup transmitter

1040 WSGH NC Lewisville – Granted STA, U4 1000/182 from backup transmitter. **1070 KFTI KS Wichita** – Granted STA, U2 5000/1000, transmitter component failure.

1460 1530		TX GA GU	Binghamton – Granted STA, U1 7400/1250, antenna cable problems. Hondo – Granted STA, U1 200/90, 150' LW at 29-20-14/99-14-02. Dalton – Granted STA, D1 1000 (ch 500), lost one tower (<i>see</i> Silent Stations). Agaña – Granted STA, U1 150/150, 24' rooftop antenna at 13-28-10/144-43-38 E. Winterville – Granted STA, U1 1000/200 from backup transmitter.
Appli	cations for	r STA	As received:
			New City – Applies for STA, U1 200/200, dispute with landlord.
			Morristown – Applies for STA, unknown power, 230' LW at 36-14-44/83-17-01.
			Seattle – Applies for STA, U1 5000/1250 from new CP site at 47-18-01/122-11-19.
			TAs granted (usually for an additional 6 months):
560	WNSR	ΤN	Brentwood – Granted STA extension, U1 1000/75 as in CP application, all from
			licensed night site.
			Cedar Rapids – Granted STA extension, minor night parameters at variance.
	5		Claremont – Granted STA extension, U4 12000/3.
			Orlovista – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/21.
			Douglas – Granted STA extension, D1 400.
			Bainbridge – Granted STA extension, D1 5000.
			Shell Lake – Granted STA extension, reduced power (unspecified).
	KGFX		Pierre – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
	KRAL		Rawlins – Granted STA extension, U1 50/50, LW at 41-47-04/107-15-47.
			Charlottesville – Granted STA extension, D1 800 as in CP.
1290	WXKL	NC	Sanford – Granted STA extenion, using CP tower and possibly reduced power
			(currently using U1 700/40) until grounding system is completed.
	WDIZ		Venice – Granted STA extension, U4 5000/250, day pattern 24 hours.
	KSRR		Provo – Granted STA extension, U1 100/100, vertical at 40-14-24/111-42-11.
1530	WCKY		Cincinnati – Granted STA extension, U1 50000/12500.
	KXTD		Wagoner – Granted STA extension, minor parameters at variance.
	KGBC		Galveston – Granted STA extension, U1 625/127.
ADI	olications	to e	xtend previously granted STAs received from WAXY-790 South Miami FL.

Applications to extend previously granted STAs received from WAXY-790 South Miami FL, WXBN-880 Sweetwater FL, WTLN-990 Orlando FL, WHBO-1040 Pinellas Park FL, WRIE-1260 Erie PA, KFRN-1280 Long Beach CA, WTCW-1310 Traverse City MI, KROS-1340 Clinton IA, and KUJ-1420 Walla Walla WA.

SILENT STATIONS

Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:

810 WEKG KY Jackson – Silent 2022-02-10, malfunction in cable from transmitter to tower.

- 1010 WORM TN Savannah Silent Feb. 3, replacement of transmitter.
- 1310 WDXI TN Jackson Silent Feb. 2, transmission line and antenna unit to be replaced.
- **1510 WEAL** NC Greensboro Silent Feb. 4, new owner setting up program source.
- **1530** WTTI GA Dalton Silent Feb. 14, tractor took out a guy wire and the tower came down.

NRC AM Log Updates

710	WKOO	NC	Juneau — Adds // K248DQ-97.5; delete // K278GE-103.5. (FCC) Rose Hill — Adds // W263DF-100.5; delete // W265EJ-100.9. (FCC) Chester — Format to TLK (ex-REL), networks to WW1/DR/RER; Slogan & Group to Grp= Liberty Radio (ex-Grp= The Christian Station). (RI)
760	WCPS	NC	Tarboro — Slogan & Group to Grp= The Gospel Train. (FCC)
			Fountain – Format to OLD (ex-C&W); slogan to "Oldies but Goodies." (StIntel)
850	-		Statesboro – Slogan to "Hashtag 99.7." (nrc-am)
890	KCEG	CO	Fountain – Format to C&W (ex-OLD); slogan to "Timeless Country." (StIntel)
900	WFIA	KΥ	Louisville — Slogan & Group to Grp= The Spirit. (DT)
	WNMB	SC	North Myrtle Beach – Format to C&W (ex-CLR); slogan & Group to Grp=
			Carolina Country (ex-Grp= 95.5 The Drive). (RI)
920	KSRM	AK	Soldotna – Adds // K223DG-92.5. (FCC)
930	KTKN	AK	Ketchikan — Adds // K227DQ-93.3; delete // K248AI-97.5. (FCC)
1060	KTNS	CA	Oakhurst – Slogan to "La Mexicana," adds // KMEN-100.5. (DXMon)
1120	WKAJ	NY	Saint Johnsville — Format to C&W (ex-CLR); slogan to "The Outlaw," adds // W250CX-97.9; delete Grp= Your Classic Hits Station. (GL)
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1150	WSNW	SC	Walhalla — Format to REL (ex-AC), networks to FoF, slogan & Group to Grp= The Light FM (ex-Grp= 94.1 the Lake). (GL)
1940	WMIS	МС	Natchez – Format to NWS/TLK (ex-UC:GOS/Blues); slogan to "The Buzz,"
1240	VV IVII 5	1113	delete // WTYJ-97.7. (StIntel)
1280	WMCP	TN	Columbia — Adds // W255DK-98.9. (FCC)
	WIRL	IL	
1290	WINL	IL	Peoria — Format to TLK (ex-OLD), slogan to "Freedom 95.9 & AM 1290," networks to Fox/CMP/P/WW1/RER; adds // W240DM-95.9, delete // W274BM-
1200	MODM	NANT	102.7. (StIntel)(WH)
1300	WQPM	IVIIN	Princeton — Format to C&W (ex-OLD); slogan & Group to Grp= Total Country BOB-FM (ex-Grp= The Big Q). (NP)(DXMid)(WH)
1310		vν	Madisonville — Format to CCR (ex-CLR), delete networks, slogan & Group to
1310	VV I I L	КІ	Grp= 103.5 The Light. (StIntel)
	KZXR	τλ/ Δ	Prosser — Format to SS:REL (ex-SS:Romantica); slogan to "La Estación de la
	ΚΖΛΚ	WA	Familia," networks to LEF; delete Grp= La Pantera. (StIntel)
1340	KRBA	тγ	Lufkin – Format to C&W (ex-GOS/TLK), delete slogan. (DXMid)
	WSYB		Rutland — Format to SPT (ex-TLK/SPT), slogan to "Fox Sports 1380," networks
1500	WOID	V I	to FSR. (RI)
1400	KCOW	NF	Alliance — Format to CLR (ex-OLD). (DXMid)
1100			Shelbyville – Format to CLR (ex-TLK); slogan to "The Zinger 100.9," drops
	WZI(O	111	networks. (DXMon)
1430	KRGI	NE	Grand Island – Format to C&W (ex-NWS/TLK), drops networks. (StIntel)
	KGOE		Eureka — Slogan to "News Talk." (StIntel)
	KBMS		Vancouver – Adds // K248DD-97.5. (FCC)
1490	KRKC		King City – Slogan & Group to Grp= 101 KRKC Country (ex-Grp= KRKC
			Country). (StIntel)
	WCSS	NY	Amsterdam – Slogan to "Good Time Oldies," networks to USA/WW1; adds
			// W295CZ-106.9, delete Grp= Your Classic Hits Station. (GL)(WH)
	KYZS	ΤX	Tyler — Format to CLR (ex-SPT). (TK)
1520	WWKB		Buffalo – Adds // W269EB-101.7. (FCC)
1540	WBNL	IN	Boonville – Slogan to "Classic Country 99.9." (DXMid)
1570	KAKK		Walker — Adds // K229DJ-93.7, delete // K242AY-96.3, delete Group. (NP)
	KMDO		Fort Scott – Slogan to "Classic Country 98.3." (StIntel)
	KTTN		Trenton — Adds // K252FT-98 3 (DXMid)

New Groups

Grp= The Spirit - WFIA-900, WFIA-FM-94.7, W297BV-107.3 (DT) Grp= The Gospel Train – WCPS-760, W242DG-96.3, W289BL-105.7 (FCC) Grp= Total Country BOB-FM – KLCI-106.1, WLKX-FM-95.9, W298CE-107.5, WQPM-1300, KDDG-105.5, KBGY-107.5 (NP)(WH)(DXMid)

Group Name Changes

Grp = 95.5 The Drive becomes Grp= Carolina Country (RI) Grp= Classic Hits 103.5 becomes Grp= 103.5 The Light (StIntel) Grp= KRKC Country becomes Grp= 101 KRKC Country (StIntel) Grp= The Christian Station becomes Grp= Liberty Radio (RI)

Group Changes

Grp= La Pantera drops KZXR-1310 and K237GY-95.3 (StIntel) Grp= Radio 870 AM adds K276EP-103.1 Bemidji (NP)

Grp= The Light FM adds WSNW-1150 Walhalla, SC, W205CU-88.9 Clemson, SC, and WFGW-106.7 Norris, TN (GL)

Groups Deleted

Grp= 94.1 the Lake (GL) Grp= Golden Oldies (GL) Grp= Oldies 1570 (NP) Grp= The Big Q (NP)(WH)(DXMid)

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Domestic DX Digest – East

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by Dxers in the Eastern & Atlantic time zones All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT)

REPORTERS

- LB-NJ Linda Brodsky, Demarest C Crane Skywave SSB, AN 200 loop.
- **LB-NY** Linda Brodsky, Malverne C.Crane Skywave SSB, Sangean PR-D5 with Grundig AN-200
- BC-NH Bruce Conti, Nashua Excalibur SDR, terminated SuperLoop antennas at 60° and 180°
- TF-NH Tony Fitzherbert, Campton C Crane CCRadio 2E, Terk Advantage loop.
- JK-WV Joe Kremer, Fairmont Kenwood TS-890, SDRPlay RSPdx, AOR LA-400 Loop, 20 meter MonoGap Vertical, Timewave ANC-4+
- KK-VA Kraig Krist, Manassas Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+ Imperium Loop.
- GL-NH Ginnie Lupi, Concord CCRadio2E + Select-A-Tenna
- **RJS-OH Bob Schroeder, Cincinnati -** RSPDx with random wire, Yaesu 991A with random wire, XHDATA D-808.
- JW-PA Jim Weber, Oyster Point Grundig S350, Sony ICF-2010, Tecsun PL-380
- **NjW-ON** Niel Wolfish, Toronto WinRadio Excalibur G31DDC with Wellbrook Loop, Honda Civic car radio
- MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto Grundig YB-400PE, XHDATA D-808, Sony SRF-39FP, C Crane Skywave, Tecsun PL-330, Panasonic RF-2200

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LOGGINGS

- **540 WFLF FL Pine Hills** 2/17 2145 Talk, at least two people with numerous WFLF ID's (not WFLA which is in another group of radio stations). Very directional signal goes out over the Atlantic. **(TF-NH)**
 - WBWD NY Islip 2/17 2145 Numerous "Radio Zingadi" slogans and music from India, weak signal, 220 watt signal is directional toward Bermuda. Mixed with WFLF, WBWD is a regular with its daytime 10,000 watt signal this way. (TF-NH)
- 600 WICC CT Bridgeport 2/22 1803 Over CJCL-590 slop with local news, promo for Connecticut Lawn and Garden Show. (MKB-ON)
- 620 WDAE FL St. Petersburg 2/23 2358 Fox Sports promos, ToH ID and Fox Sports stuff. (NjW-ON)
- **730 CKDM MB Dauphin** 2/18 0658 C&W music. ToH ID and news read by Darnell Duff. Promo for a Ukrainian cultural event taking place in August. (NjW-ON)
- **800** WNNW MA Lawrence 2/18 1800 Excellent; telephone talk in Spanish, "WNNW, W275BH, Lawrence-Boston, Power, la que sabe poder." (BC-NH)
 - CKLW ON Windsor 2/18 0500 Under CJAD; "AM 800 CKLW in Windsor, an iHeart radio station," weather, top stories, and traffic on the 401 corridor. (BC-NH)
 - CJAD QC Montréal 2/18 0500 Over CKLW; "You're listening to the voice of Montreal, news/talk radio CJAD 800, an iHeart radio station," and CTV news update. (BC-NH)
- **810 WGY NY** Schenectady 2/14 2221 "The Capitol region's breaking news traffic and weather station" and 100 years on the air congratulations from a local funeral home: "WGY is one of the oldest stations in the United States with a powerful 50 kilowatt transmitter. It was a pioneer in the use of remote broadcasts outside the studio. Congratulations WGY from your friends at McLaughlin & Mason Funeral Home in Troy, serving the community since 1861, mclaughlinmason.com". "WGY Newsradio 810" ID at 2215 and back into The Jesse Kelly Show. (LB-NJ)
 - ++ 2/18 0500 Excellent; 100 year anniversary promo, "WGY AM Schenectady, WGY-FM Albany, an iHeart radio station," AccuWeather on the tens, and News Radio 810 103-1 WGY local news. (BC-NH) Loggings of common 50 kW clear channels are not usually DDXD-E fodder, but there is some kind of "frequency"

challenge" contest highlighting certain frequencies each week on the NRC Facebook group. See also 1150 kHz. Mike.

- 820 WNYC NY New York 2/17 1800 Good; "This is WNYC, FM, HD, and AM, New York," and All Things Considered on WNYC. (BC-NH)
 - WBAP TX Fort Worth – 2/20 0500 – Under WNYC, over/under CHAM; Red Eye Radio, "This is the news and talk of Texas, WBAP Ft. Worth-Dallas, KPLX FM HD2 Ft. Worth, WBAP dot com, a Cumulus Media station," and Fox news. (BC-NH)
 - CHAM ON Hamilton 2/18 1959 Over WNYC; "Hamilton's Funny 820 AM," standup comedy. 2/19 0058 - Over WNYC; "CHAM AM Hamilton, the best standup comedy 24/7, Funny 820 AM, an iHeart radio station." (BC-NH)
- **830** WCRN MA Worcester 2/18 0300 ID as "You are listening to music of the North Star on WACE". (LB-NJ)
 - +++ 2/18 0301 Excellent; "I Saw the Light" by Todd Rundgren, "You're listening to The Music of the North Star on WACE Chicopee and WCRN Worcester," and "You Are the Sunshine of My Life" by Stevie Wonder. (BC-NH)
 - WCCO MN Minneapolis 2/18 0600 Under WCRN; caught part of ID during break in WCRN audio, "...HD2 Minneapolis-St. Paul, an Audacy station," into CBS news. (BC-NH)
 - WEEU **PA** Reading – 2/17 2221 – Philadelphia 76ers v. Milwaukee Bucks NBA game "on the the 76ers Radio Network." Ad for Bosman's Roofing & Solar, other local ads and Ad Council PSA. (LB-NJ)
- 840 WRYM CT New Britain – 2/19 1630 – Tropical music; signal lost with early power reduction an hour before sunset. (BC-NH)
 - WHAS KY Louisville 2/14 2230 ABC News, local weather by Jay Cardosi, WLKY Chief Meteorologist. WLKY is the WHAS TV outlet. "Newsradio 840 WHAS" ID into Mark Levin Show. (LB-NJ)
 - +++ 2/18 0500 Excellent; "Kentuckiana's breaking news, weather and traffic station, News Radio 840 WHAS Louisville, an iHeart radio station," and ABC news. (BC-NH)
- 850 WAXB **CT Ridgefield** – 2/14 1546 – Spanish adult contemporary music, ToH ID: "WAXB AM Ridgefield" into "Tocando Lo Que Le Gusto" song in SS. (LB-NJ)
 - WEEI MA Boston – 2/19 0100 – Good, over an unID music station; "Get the winning insights, information and trends you need, all while having a few laughs along the way, this is WEEI 850 AM Boston, an Audacy station," and CBS Sports Radio. Daytime WEEI is Bet QL. (BC-NH)
 - WTAR VA Norfolk 2/18 0300 In local WEEI null; "Sports Radio 96-5 FM and 850 AM, WTAR Norfolk, WUSH HD2 Poquoson." (BC-NH)
- 860 WWDB PA Philadelphia 2/20 0000 End of "Bishop Omega of the Church of the Lord JC of the Apostolic Faith of Philadelphia. Replay available on 641-793-4507." Promo for Saturday morning program about health. ID as "WWDB Talk 860 and WPEN HD2 FM". Ad for addiction recovery help line, 1-800-662-HELP. Promo for "Eric Kavanaugh Show on 97.5 WPEN HD2 and WWDB AM", ad for "The Jewish Press" newspaper. TOH ID: "WWDB 860 AM Philadelphia and WPEN HD2 Burlington-(NJ)- Philadelphia" into "Bagels & Lox & Barry" program of Jewish music. (LB-NY)
 - +++ 2/20 *0701 Good; "WWDB AM 860 now begins its normal broadcast day. WWDB is licensed to operate at 860 kilohertz in Philadelphia with studio location in Bala Cynwyd. WWDB is owned and operated by Beasley Broadcast Group," and disclaimer into Christian religion program. (BC-NH)
 - WV Oak Hill 2/20 0600 Under CJBC; "AM 860 WOAY Oak Hill-Beckley," and WOAY Bible teaching program. (BC-NH)
 - CJBC **ON Toronto** – 2/14 2237 – Two women talking about truckers' protests in French. (LB-NJ)
 - +++ 2/18 2000 Excellent; "Vous écoutez Ici Radio Canada Première, 860 AM à Toronto, du coeur aux idées." (BC-NH)
- 870 WWL LA New Orleans – 2/15 2155 – Mardi Gras preview, ads for becomeamedic.com EMT training, Stormdamagecompensation.com and a local ad mentioning strawberries; with phone number 594-0272. ToH ID:"Home of ... WWL New Orleans" into CBS News. (LB-NJ)
 - +++ 2/18 0100 Over WHCU; "All of your New Orleans Saints, and LSU football, basketball, and baseball, WWL New Orleans, WWL-FM and HD1 Kenner-New Orleans, an Audacy station," and CBS news. (BC-NH)



- ME Gorham 2/18 1901 Over WHCU; nostalgia, "Memories 870" ID with postal WLVP address for listener contributions, PO Box 308, Bath, Maine 04530. (BC-NH)
- WHCU NY Ithaca 2/18 0600 Over WLVP; Red Eye Radio, "97-7 FM and AM 870, News/Talk WHCU WFIZ HD3 Ithaca, a Cayuga Radio Group station, it's 6 o'clock," and CBS news. (BC-NH)
- 880 WCBS NY New York – 2/18 1800 – Good; "More than just the headlines, this is WCBS Newsradio 880, WCBS news time 6 o'clock," and CBS news. (BC-NH)
 - MB Brandon 2/21 0658 Weak with "Q Country" ID after "Poor Poor Pitiful Me" CKLQ by Terri Clark. (NjW-ON)
- Chicago 2/14 2247 Mark Levin Show, "WLS AM 890 presents the No Spin 890 WLS IL Zone with Bill O'Reilly" promo. (LB-NJ)
 - +++ 2/18 0600 Good; Red Eye Radio, "This is 890 WLS AM Chicago, 94-7 WLS-FM HD2 Chicago," WLS Chicago jingle, "A Cumulus Media station," Weather Channel forecast and local news. (BC-NH)
 - WAMG MA Dedham 2/19 1701 Good; multi-station ID (frequencies in Spanish), "WAMG Dedham-Boston 890 AM 94.9 FM, WLLH Lawrence-Lowell 1400 AM 95.1 FM, WORC Worcester 1310 AM 106.1 FM, WLAT New Britain-Hartford 910 AM 101.7 FM, La Mega," tropical music. (BC-NH)
 - SC Blythewood 2/15 2053 Southern Gospel Music, clear ID for 101.7, which is WBAJ WBAJ's FM translator, and into more music, lost to WLS and splatter from WCBS by the ToH. I probably heard the non directional 8500 watt critical hours signal. Call stands for "We're Broadcasting about Jesus" and runs 50,000 watts during the day, and should have left the air at sunset. (TF-NH)
 - WKNV VA Fairlawn 2/17 1759 Under local WAMG; "Joy FM" ID, contemporary Christian vocals. (BC-NH)
- 920 CFRY MB Portage La Prairie – 2/18 0659 – C&W under CKNX-Wingham and ToH ID: "this is CFRY 920 AM Portage La Prairie, a Golden West Station" into more C&W music. (NjW-ON)
- **930 WPAT** NJ Paterson – 2/9 2128 – Romantic sounding love ballads in Chinese, with female announcer, topping the frequency over WBEN, WPKX and others. (TF-NH)
- Yorkton 2/21 0658 C&W song "Dear Rodeo" by Cody Johnson. ID: "CJGX 940 CJGX SK serving Saskatchewan and Manitoba, we are GX 94". Man with news. WCPC-Houston, MS could be heard underneath. (NjW-ON)
- WHVW NY Hyde Park 2/18 2050 Mix of jazz, R & B, and oldies, at 2100 a fast "WHVW-950 Hyde Park", over/under usual WIBX, nice signal for 57 watts night power. (TF-NH)
- 1120 WBNW MA Concord 2/24 0253 Red Eye Radio presumed under WKAJ. Relog. (LB-NY)
 - NY St. Johnsville 2/24 0300 Country format, clear ID: "WKAJ Saint Johnsville, WKAJ New York." Mention of Montgomery County. Relog. (LB-NY)
 - NC Camp LeJeune 2/11 1656 Mixing with WUST, KMOX, more talk and more WSME singing, "... at WSME we're gearing up for the weekend..." station promo, female "Freedom 97.1 WSME" ID at 1739. Abruptly off at 1741. (KK-VA)
- 1130 WLBA GA Gainesville – 2/11 1901 – In multi-station mix (WBBR, WPYB, KWKH and UNID preaching) with Spanish singing, male ID in EE: "This is WAOS Austell, Atlanta, WXEM Buford and WLBA Gainesville... the official Spanish radio said very long/drawn out similar to the fake wrestling announcer.) New station for me. (KK-VA)
 - +++ 2/23 2042 Poor under WBBR. Spanish language format with music, ad for Atlanta United futbol. (RJS-OH)
 - KWKH LA Shreveport 2/11 1859 in multi-station mix with "This is... 11-30 'The Tiger'" slogan. (KK-VA)
- 1150 WMRD CT **Middletown** – 2/25 1659 – Under WWDJ; promo for Celtic Cafe on WLIS and WMRD, multi-station ID, "1420 1150 AM, 97.3 105.3 FM ... " and CBS news. (BC-NH)
 - WDEL **DE** Wilmington – 2/21 0056 – WDEL ID into CBS News, ad for Careers.com, then back to Red Eye Radio discussion about Ukraine. Faded under WAVO, but back at 0129 with ad for "Delaware's first and only nationally accredited 24/7 urgent care facility serving the community since 1973. All major insurances are accepted. When something happens 1150 AM to you or a loved one ... quick convenient..." (LB-NY)



- +++ 2/26 1830 Under WWDJ; "Delaware's source for news, weather, and... 1150 AM 101-7 FM WDEL," and WDEL Weather Center forecast. (BC-NH)
- WWDJ MA Boston 2/25 0700 Excellent; Morning Air on the Relevant Radio network, "Always loud and clear on your smart speaker, details at Relevant Radio dot com slash smart, bringing Christ to the world through the media, WWDJ Boston, Relevant Radio, 1150 AM," and Relevant Radio news. (BC-NH)
- WBAG NC Burlington-Graham – 2/18 1737 – Mixing with WAVO, WNLR, WCRK and CKOC, male "105.9 WBAG" ID. (KK-VA)
- OH Lima 2/26 0200 Over/under CKOC; "WIMA Lima, available everywhere with WIMA the iHeart Radio app, now number one for podcasts, 1150 WIMA, an iHeart radio station," and Fox news. (BC-NH)
- WAVO SC Rock Hill – 2/17 2126 – Contemporary religious music selections, lots of "The Light FM" slogans, prayers, and at 2136 with signal atop frequency "Keep your eyes on God, hope is right here on the Light FM" and into more Christian rock, over WMRD and WWDJ. New here for me, 59 watts working hard to be heard in NH, or somebody forgot to throw the switch to reduce power from 5000 watts non directional to 59 watts. (TF-NH)
 - -2/18 1759 In multi-station mix (WBAG, WNLR, WCRK, CKOC) with network ID. Only frequencies given are FM in addition to call signs. For example, "101.5 WAVO". Then jingle "The Light FM". (KK-VA)
 - +++ 2/21 0121 Christian contemporary music, "We've got good news for you all day, every day on The Light FM" into "Oh, I Believe." Other Christian tunes including a rock version of the 23rd Psalm. Full ID at 0200 with all associated stations mentioned. New, recorded on both Sangean and Ccrane. (LB-NY)
 - +++ 2/25 0606 Contemporary Christian music in the mix with WMRD and WWDJ, several "The Light FM" slogan IDs. // to live stream, poor. (GL-NH)
 - +++ 2/25 0600 Fair; "Founded by Billy Graham, 106.9 WMIT, WMIT HD Black Mountain-Charlotte, 106.7 WFGW Norris-Knoxville, 94.9 WSMX Winston-Salem, 101.5 WAVO Rock Hill, 101.3 WNCC HD3 Franklin, and 88.9 WSNW Seneca-Clemson, we're wherever you go with our app and online at The Light FM dot org." (BC-NH)
- WCRK **TN** Morristown – 2/18 1923 – In multi-station mix with male "... Morristown... home on WCRK..." (KK-VA)
- WNLR **VA** Churchville – 2/18 1730 – In multi-station mix with male "This is new life radio WNLR" ID. Aptly named city based on the station programming. (KK-VA)
 - +++ 2/24 1755* Fair; end of Turning Point, promo, "...a special presentation of New Life Radio WNLR," then promo on the hour, "After sign-off, New Life Radio continues, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at WNLR 1150 dot com," jingle and sign-off announcement. (BC-NH)
- Kimberly 2/25 0100 Under CKOC; caught tail end of ID, "...a Woodward WHBY WI Radio Group station," into CBS news. (BC-NH)
 - ON Hamilton 2/16 2112 Discussion on COVID protocols, the truckers' demonstrations, and other pandemic related problems in Canada. CKOC was a night time regular here until the station reduced its night power from 50,000 watts to 20,000 watts from a ten tower antenna system some years ago. (TF-NH) – 2/18 1946 – In WBAG, WNLR, WAVO and WCRK mix with "Bloomberg 11-50" slogan. (KK-VA)
 - 2/26 0112 Mentions of Ontario, "iHeart Radio Talk Network with David Cooper coming up in about 20 minutes." Ads for Peter Martin Appliance in Hamilton, BNN (Bloomberg) news. Occasionally over WDEL. (LB-NY)
 - 2/24 1801 Over/under WWDJ; promo for sister station, "All your favourite songs are on Bounce 102-9, back to back, all day everyday..." 2/25 0200 - Fair; "CKOC AM Hamilton is BNN Bloomberg Radio, an iHeart radio station, available at 1150 AM and on the iHeart Radio app," and update from the Canadian Press. (BC-NH)
 - Lakewood Township 2/18 1752 In multi-station mix with station promo: "Listen in the office. Download our free accessing 96.7 and 104.1 app today." "Cat country 96.7 and 104.1" slogan at 1830. (KK-VA)
- WYDU NC Red Springs 2/18 1800 In multi-station mix (WMET, WOBM, WCCS, more talk and sports talk) with ToH ID: "This is your station for inspiration and information WYDU Red Springs. WYDU 1160 dot com." (KK-VA)



1160 WOBM NJ



- **1170 WCLN NC Clinton** 2/18 1750 Mixing with WWVA and other talkers, "... oldies1170.com" website promo. **(KK-VA)**
- **1190 WVUS WV Grafton** 2/23 2015 Poor but sometimes overcoming WOWO. Catholic programming from EWTN. Confirmed via // stream. **(RJS-OH)**
- **1200 WOAI TX San Antonio** 2/20 2358 Ad for the San Antonio Stock Show Rodeo, station promo and ID as "news radio 1200 WOAI". Mixing with CFGO-Ottawa. (NjW-ON)
- **1220** WHKW OH Cleveland 2/23 0255 Promo for "Insight for Living" program with Chuck Swindell. Mention of Cleveland, news, ad for Lovestories.com, promo for "Truth for Life" program: "Preparing for the end (of days). Listen all this week for Pathway to Victory. Listen all this week at 7:30 AM here on The Word Cleveland.com". New, recorded on C. Crane. (LB-NY)
- **1240** WGVA NY Geneva 2/10 2150 Talk about the truckers' blockage, host said that if they were peaceful, they would make their point, ad for Lone Star Transfer, mentioning 315 area code, which is the area code for Geneva, soon lost under a Spanish station, probably WWCO. New here! (TF-NH)
- **1320 WATR CT Waterbury** 2/14 2050 Atop with Fox Sports Radio feed which is a new network, "News, talk, sports, music, WATR Waterbury" ID and back to more Fox Sports, with deep fades. **(TF-NH)**
- **1330 WHAZ NY Troy** 2/14 0631 Religious teaching program discussing the Beatitudes, no sign of WWRV, lost to WRCA. Call stands for "With Holiness and Zeal". **(TF-NH)**
- **1340** WWPA PA Williamsport 2/17 1800 Battling WLVL Lockport, NY groundwave, "...and WWPA Williamsport" ID amid string of other stations and FM translators, promo for Daytona 500. (MKB-ON)
- **1370 WXXI** NY Rochester 2/18 2045 NPR feed mixed with and under dominant WDEA and WFEA, with the 1250 non directional STA, the night signal comes this way nicely. (TF-NH)
 - WSHV VA South Hill 2/5 0002 Fair to Good. ID "96.7 WSHV South Hill-Southside VA, Classic R&B from the 80s, 90s, and more. On radio: 96.7 FM 1370 AM. Mobile: iHeartRadio. 96.7 WSHV" Mixing with WSPD. (JK-WV)
- **1400 WBFN MI Battle Creek** 2/20 0758 Weak with religious music. ToH ID by woman. (NjW-ON)
- **1410 WHLN KY Harlan** 2/5 0655 Good. "Billie Jean" by Michael Jackson. ID "1410 WHLN" and ToH singing ID "WHLN Harlan" after which disappeared for a couple of minutes coming back mid-commercial for Abrahams Music Store: "Brad and Greg stock a large assortment of musical instruments" News from Kentucky News Network. **(JK-WV)**
- **1440 WRED** ME Westbrook 2/26 1800 Call sign ID with "Big Jab" slogan at this time. Some snippets of sports programming were audible around this time. (JW-PA)
 - WFNY NY Gloversville 2/26 1705 Jingle ID "1440 WFNY" at this time. Poor readability of stations during the period. (JW-PA)
- **1450 WHTC MI Holland** 2/20 0759 Presumed with spot for Lakeshore Janitorial Services. Weak and soon faded leaving behind WLEC. (NjW-ON)
 - WCTC NJ New Brunswick 2/9 2115 Atop briefly with sports talk, ID for "AM 1450 Fox Sports Talk, New Jersey", soon gone, trip to the WCTC web site confirmed the format change. Call stands for "Chanticleer Broadcasting" the original owner who put the station on the air. (TF-NH)
 - WLEC OH Sandusky 2/18 0706 Man with ID "1450 AM and 93.5 FM, WLEC" and Steely Dan's "Hey Nineteen". (NjW-ON)
- **1460 WKAM IN** Goshen 2/7 2303 In mix with SS and Mexican music, "1460 AM, 98.1 FM Goshen, 1580 South Bend" ID. (JK-WV)
 - **WTKT PA Harrisburg** 2/14 0620 Over/under usual WOPG with Super Bowl talk and Fox Sports feeds, probably into day pattern. **(TF-NH)**
- **1560 WGLB WI Elm Grove** 2/19 0700 Caught part of ToH ID: "96.1 FM...Incredible Gospel... Milwaukee" into gospel tunes. No sign of resurrected WFME. **(MKB-ON)**
- **1570 WVTL** NY Amsterdam 2/13 0638 Haven't heard them in a while; they popped in just long enough to deliver a clear "Classic Country at 104/7 and 1570 WVTL" ID at this time. (JW-PA)
 - +++ 2/6 2323 Rising out of mix with ID "Classic Country 104.7 1570 AM WVTL" into "Is it Still Over?" by Randy Travis. (**JK-WV**)

1580 WHLY IN South Bend – 2/16 1937 – Only station on frequency to fade up and remain there for any length of time. Spanish language format, mostly *Nortena* music. Mentions of Indiana with ad for Mexican restaurant in Goshen, IN. **(RJS-OH)**

1590 WBHN NC Bryson City – 2/16 1910 – Strong at times but mostly under WCGO. NC Tarheels pregame show. Confirmed via // stream. New to my log. (**RJS-OH**)

Domestic DX Digest – West

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers in the Central, Mountain, Pacific, Alaska, and Hawaii-Aleutian time zones – All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT)

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Please observe the following ...

Upcoming deadlines for DDXD-West: Issue 13: March 11; Issue 14: March 25

<u>- – – Reporters – – -</u>

- **RA-CA Xx** Rene Auvray A-Azusa; P-Pomona; R-Rosemead; W-West Covina, all California; 1: Toyota Corolla Radio; 2: Grundig Yacht Boy 400
- **SMA-MB** Shawn Axelrod Winnipeg, Manitoba Receivers: ICOM IC-R70 / Drake R8 / SDRPlay RSPduo; Antennae: 3' un-amplified box loop / Quantum QX LOOP v2.0 / 155' U-shaped outdoor wire / 100' indoor wire run around the basement walls
- SB-CA Stephanie Battaglino Palm Desert, California Receivers: Perseus with Jaguar Pro; Antennae: Wellbrook ALA1530LNP and ALA1530PE at~25-30 ft., WA1ION/W7IUV Phaser/Pre-Amp
- **SD-MN** Skip Dabelstein KØSBV Maple Grove, Minnesota Icom R75 and Drake SW8 Receivers, Ratzlaff Active Whip and Radio Plus Quantum Loop Antennas
- **TK-FL Terry Krueger Niceville, Florida** IC-R75, NRD-535, ICF-7600GR, active loop, random wire
- **TK-FL1** Terry Krueger Henderson Beach State Park, Destin, Florida Tecsun PL-360 handheld and ICOM R75 with custom portable active loop
- JP-AB Jon Pearkins Edmonton, Alberta Sangean PR-D15 & HDR-18 barefoot
- JJR-MI John J. Rieger L'Anse, Michigan Grundig Satellit 750 + Terk AM1000 loop, Sangean ATS-909X stock
- **JJR-WI** John J. Rieger South Milwaukee, Wisconsin Icom IC-R75, MFJ-959B tuner/preamp, Kiwa loop, Sangean ATS-909X stock
- JW-CO John Wilkins Wheat Ridge, Colorado Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop

– – – NOTES FROM CANADA – – –

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CRTC licenses for radio stations have an expiry date. Licenses for new, not yet on the air, stations also have a second, conditional expiry date, by which time the station must be on the air. Extensions are available, but only if the CRTC accepts the reason for the delay. Although not specifically stated in the license, a new station is considered on the air as soon as it begins its Test Phase. Over the last 20 years, Canada has seen a few new stations remaining in Test Phase for years, including **CFAJ**:

1220 CFAJ ON St. Catharines – Heard in Clear Lake, Iowa, in mid-January, announcing that they are still in their (multi-year) Test Phase.

Elsewhere: **750 CKJH**

KJH SK Melfort – "Beach Radio" is the only AM station carrying the new syndicated mid-day program hosted by long-time Western Canada broadcaster Charlee Morgan. Like the FM stations carrying it every

weekday, CKJH is owned and operated by Canada's fourth richest man, 93-year-old Jim Pattison, who was born in Saskatoon, but is headquartered in Vancouver, where he bought his first radio station in the 1960s, CJOR-600.



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810 CKJS MB Winnipeg – The 10 kW AM transmitter was signed off forever in the afternoon on February 21, when its license expired. The CRTC license for CKJS-FM allowed CKJS-AM to simulcast for a maximum of three months after the new FM transmitter completed its Test Phase.

Randy Bachman's "Vinyl Tap" spent 16 years on CBC Radio One, formerly known as the CBC English AM network. The program is now syndicated and returns March 6, but, so far, only to FM stations, most owned by Corus. The CBC series was produced in mono, implying no reruns will be syndicated, as FM stations demand stereo for their music programming.

100 YEARS AGO, the Radio Craze was in full swing across Canada. Even in small town Alberta, where the *Wetaskiwin Times*, an eight page weekly newspaper, ran this article: (original text highlighting): "BIG SPECTACULAR ELECTRICAL DANCE ... THE GREAT WIRELESS TREAT RADIO DANCE AND CONCERT Employing the World's Greatest Invention THE RADIOGRAPH Transmitting by Wireless the Very Latest Vocal and Dance Selections, Produced by Famous Artists and Orchestras Hundreds of Miles Away" "To be held at Wetaskiwin's Angus Hall on Saturday night, February 11, 1922. Dreamy Waltzes, Snappy One Steps, Swaying Two Steps, Tantalizing Fox Trots and Vocal Offerings." Complete with the predecessor of the Light Shows during many 1970s Rock Concerts. It continues: "Witness this Amazing Demonstration. Gorgeous Electrical Effects AND COLOR SCHEMES ARE A PART OF THE PROGRAM POSITIVELY AMAZING, NOTHING LIKE IT." Plus a Kiddies Matinee Concert in the afternoon, preceded by the "Great Radio Parade" starting at the Driard Hotel at 3:00 PM.

News Cruisers have long been a successful way to promote a radio station's local presence in the community, but that has suddenly changed. On February 9, a News reporter made news himself when he announced that Bell Canada was removing all station identification from its Edmonton news vehicles, saying "it's just not safe now."

---OBSERVATIONS---

- 810 CKJS MB Winnipeg 2/22 1500 Noted off air today finally. The move to FM was months ago and they have finally shut down the AM signal this afternoon. (SMA-MB)
- **1230.084 WDWR FL Pensacola 2/16 1352** EWTN programming. Only worth noting because this remains **off-frequency and creating a nasty het**. Good. **(TK-FL1)**
- 1530 WCKG IL Elmhurst Has been off the air for at least a week as of 2/17. (KDF-IL)

<u>---UNID---</u>

- **1420 unID 2/15 1924** Poor, with Relevant Radio content noted. Checked local WPJP to verify, vs EWTN. Dunno! (JJR-WI)
- **1710 unID** 2/16 1720 Weak carrier-only, seemingly on, or very close to, on-channel. Peaking NE/SW from this Destin, Florida location. Audible on the handheld Tecsun PL-360 and ICOM R-75 with custom active loop, and heard from both ends of the State Park parking lots. Real? Or something spurious? (TK-FL1)

<u>---TIS/HAR---</u>

1710 WQFG689 NJ Hudson County – 2/15 2006 – Hudson County references, Covid info. Poor. (JJR-WI)

<u>---DX Loggings---</u>

- **550 KFYR** ND Bismarck 2/25 0720 "Most listen to Bismarck-Mandan, the Phil Parker show on K-Fire." Very poor, but cut through WSAU. (JJR-MI)
- **560 KMON MT Great Falls 2/26 0714 –** "560 K-M-O-N" between Classic Country songs. Yesterday, CFOS was here. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- **570 WWNC NC Ashville 2/14 2250 –** Nearly local signal at times on the newly acquired Tescun PL-360 mini-radio, with brokered health supplements program, ID. First time log. (TK-FL)
- **580 WXRH TN Rockwood 2/17 0701 –** With Country tunes into Legal ID. Poor, though above others. **(JJR-WI)**
- 600 CKAT ON North Bay 2/15 2021 "Country 600." Poor, with WMT nulled. (JJR-WI)
- **620 CKRM SK Regina 2/25 0716** Poor, with talk about the Saskatchewan Winter Games, 2023 in Regina. WTMJ nulled. (JJR-MI)
- **630 WLAP KY Lexington 2/16 0333** "You're listening to News Radio 630, WLAP." KYFI St. Louis when pointing away, with white preacher. (TK-FL)
- 630 CHED AB Edmonton 2/24 0742 Discussion/interview ". . . on 6-30 Ched." Poor, no WREY all morning. (JJR-MI)

- 12 660 CFFR AB Calgary – 2/24 0740 – With detailed CityNews coverage. Item about travelling to Europe, Canada. Poor, but alone, and better than it has been recently. (JJR-MI) 710 KNUS CO Denver – 2/24 0747 – Interview, traffic, wx: "... high of 28, on 710 KNUS." Poor, but atop. (JJR-MI) 750 KOAL UT Price – 2/17 0117-0119 – Call ID: "... on the AM dial. Also, broadcasting on 107.3 FM." Reception: fair. First time in Pomona. (RA-CA P2) 770 KATL MT Miles City – 2/24 0657 – Poor, but atop and alone, with Legal ID and AP News. HotAC format:"77-KATL." (JJR-MI) MT Billings – 2/26 0707 – Very poor, with "... on the mighty 790 KGHL" then lost **790 KGHL** to WSGW. (JJR-MI) **CO** Brighton – 2/25 0736 – Poor- 'It Don't Matter to Me' by Bread into "The Legends 810 KLVZ" Poor/very weak, with WJJQ in back at this point. (JJR-MI) 810 KLVZ CO Brighton – 2/25 0011-0013 – Initially strong, with 1968 Engelbert Humperdinck version of 'Quando, Quando.' Antenna SW to reduce KGO's Jim Bohannon syndicated talk show but getting some WHB, making it impossible to hear the break after the song with all three stations talking at the same time. CKJS Winnipeg has now been confirmed as off the air (to FM), so can definitely eliminate them, and they were the only viable alternative. (JP-AB) 810 WHB MO Kansas City – 02/22 2220 – Weak signals in terrible conditions, with sports talk and some ads for Kansas City companies. First time heard from Winnipeg. (SMA-MB) [Shawn muses: "Well let the fun begin on a new frequency after CKJS finally went dark. Conditions will have to improve to be poor here but I will keep trying. So far just WHB on 810." – Ed] 910 WGTO MI Cassapolis – 2/20 0711 – "MeTV-FM music" with songs by Paul Anka, Four Tops and Magic. Poor, but no WFDF. (JJR-WI) 940 WCPC MS Houston – 2/14 0727 – "WCPC salutes Jay Sekulow live" "Wilkins Radio." Poor, but alone. (JJR-WI) 940 CJGX SK Yorkton – 2/14 0740 – 'Question of the Day' feature: "If you could go back in time and change one thing, what would it be?," followed by C&W music. Fair signal. (JW-CO) 960 CFAC AB Calgary – 2/26 0800 – Very poor, with "CF. . is SportsNet 960," wa-a-a-a-ay under KLTF. Still, nice hearing this! (JJR-MI) 970 WDAY ND Fargo – 2/14 0637 – With talk of weather in the Dakotas for several minutes. No calls, but not WGTK's "Answer," or others. Nothing great, but nice to hear. Poor: assumed. (JJR-WI) MO Kansas City – 2/14 1858 – 'Joe Pags' with ads for 'Estrogen' and "West Coast **980 KMBZ** Health Club #913-363-XXXX." Poor, but alone. (JJR-WI) **980 WPFP** WI Park Falls – 2/22 0722 – Very poor, with 'If You Wanna Get to Heaven' by the Ozark Mountain Daredevils. "Jack FM" weak through WONE, WCUB, and WITY. (JJR-WI) 1000 KSOO SD Sioux Falls – 2/16 0448-0502 – English male talk occasionally fading up with or over XEOY, with a lot of CBR-1010 slop. Definitely not Sports Talk, eliminating WMVP, and KSOO's night pattern has a lobe in my direction, helping their 100 Watts of night power. (JP-AB) 1000 KNWN WA Seattle – 2/16 0448-0508 – Open Carrier until 0502:30 near the end of paid programming. Station Break at 0506 before another paid program began with its (NWN own Newscast! The break had three or four disclaimers about the paid programs and at least two mentions of "Como Radio" (previous KOMO call letters). NEWSRADIO **1000**, **97.7** Checked again at 0525, still in same paid program, but weak enough signal/audio to null, likely a result of unusual DX conditions. (JP-AB) 1030 KCTA TX Corpus Christi – 2/16 1405 – English, with host interviewing man about his Christian documentary. Fair, parallel the station stream. (TK-FL1)
- **1030 WTHQ WV Point Pleasant 2/19 0712 –** Poor, but Top 40 really popped through. "QFM" and no WBZ. WNVR in weak, later. NEW! for #17 on 1030 and making the total #2515! (JJR-WI)
- **1050** CHUM ON Toronto 2/25 0633 "... played for Toronto," "... here in Toronto...," "Maple Leafs." Once so common. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- **1060 KNLV** NE Ord 2/25 0700 Very poor, with 'Innocent Man' by Billy Joel and calls. No KYW; some CKMX. (JJR-MI)
- **1060 CKMX AB Calgary 2/17 0841 –** Traffic report, followed by Shelley Berman comedy routine. ID as "Calgary's Funny 1060 AM." Good signal through nearby KRCN's open carrier. (JW-CO)

- **1070 KNX CA** Los Angeles 2/13 0745 Faded up for two minutes right at local sunrise. Heard California news and L.A. traffic, then faded out under likely KHMO, all on an L.A. Super Sunday. Band was otherwise quiet for a half-hour before sunrise. Not heard in a long time and wanted for an ultralight log. (KDF-IL)
- **1070 WDIA TN Memphis 2/19 0711 –** Poor, with OLD R&B, Blues, and calls. Some WTSO. Not heard in a while! (JJR-WI)
- **1100 KNZZ CO Grand Junction 2/25 0000-0005 –** Confusing as it faded up during dead air while both WTAM and KNZZ waited for network news to start, with KNZZ running Fox News and finally giving ID at **0005** as "News Radio KNZZ." **(JP-AB)**
- **1100 WTAM OH Cleveland 2/24 2359:55** Lengthy ID with call letters and FM translator frequency. Pretty much all alone, but KNZZ faded in strong during the pause before network news. **(JP-AB)**
- **1120 KTXW TX Manor 2/14 0100 –** Top-of-Hour ID through KMOX: "This is KTXW Manor-Austin and K266CI 101.1, The Bridge." (**SD-MN**) [They must have been on the day pattern as at night, absolutely zilch toward you **Ed.**]
- **1190 CFSL SK Weyburn 2/14 0650 –** Sat through two Country songs to hear "AM 1190" and no WOWO. Poor. (JJR-WI) [Better than three . . . hi Ed.]
- **1230 KHAS NE Hastings 2/23 0057 –** Came out of the mess with message: "A new era of KHAS Radio has come. You can now listen to us on a static free signal now being broadcast on 104.1 FM. Always inspiring, KHAS Radio." **(SD-MN)**
- **1230 WXCO WI Wausau 2/14 0724 –** Poor, in fade up, then out. 'CCUWausau.com' (Cloverbelt Credit Union, Wausau). (JJR-WI)
- 1240 KCRTCOTrinicImage: Constraint of the second second
 - CO Trinidad 1/29 2025-2044 Poor, out of the jumble, with a mix of recent pop tunes: Kelly Clarkson's 'Stronger,' ,' Pink's 'Take Me Home,' Gnarls Barkley's 'Crazy' and Rod Stewart's new-ish song 'One More Time.' Mention of "My 99.3" (FM translator) by live male DJ noted between songs. All content // webstream. Rarely heard across the West. New! Listed at 250 Watts and their pattern throws their signal due east in the opposite direction of my location to the southwest. On the other side of their local sunset at 705 miles. (SB-CA)
- **1240 WJMC WI Rice Lake 2/26 0755 –** "1240 96/5 FM WJMC" sweeper between songs by Irene Cara, Paul Simon, others. Poor. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1260 KTRC** NM Santa Fe 2/15 2030-2033 Ads with internet addresses (one had an Area Code 505). Ad with Goodwill assisting veterans. In QRM. Faded out, then back in. First time in Pomona. (RA-CA P1)
- **1260 CFRN AB Edmonton 2/19 0058** Spots leading into Top-of-Hour for 'HeartFit Clinic,' 'Riverside Honda' and 'HomeXX Homes,' then "TSN 1260 Edmonton, an I-Heart Station." (SD-MN)
- **1270 WXYT MI Detroit 2/20 0700 –** Poor, with ads to Top-of-Hour legal ID as "WXYT and WXYT-HD Detroit." Alone. (JJR-WI)
- **1290 WPCF FL Panama City 2/16 1125** "Real Family Life" Christian advice ending, promo for the Faith Broadcasting Network. This one recently returned from Silent status, with a mere 270/55 Watts, but local level daytime right on the coast in Destin, Florida. Format is now Faith Radio Network, but a local break at 1158 with a man offering a pallet of centipede sod leftover from re-sodding their studios for the first caller. Christian sod! Then a long legal string ID beginning with "WFRF (FM) Monticello" and other north Florida and Southeast Georgia Faith Radio Network affiliate stations. Excellent. (TK-FL1)
- **1300 KBRL** NE McCook 2/10 0858 Dave Ramsey program notes, legal ID at 0859:52: "News, sports, and Dave Ramsey The Big Talker 1300 KBRL McCook with translator K248CX McCook at 97.5." Fox News ensued. (JW-CO)

1300 KOLY SD Mobridge – 2/16 1900 – Top-of-Hour ID: "AM 1300 KOLY Mobridge" into ABC News. (SD-MN)

- **1320 WFHR WI Wisconsin Rapids 2/21 0727 –** Very poor, hearing a quick ". . . on 1320 WFHR," then out as quick. Chasing an unID on channel for the past few days. **(JJR-WI)**
- **1360 WSAI** OK Cincinnati 2/20 0653 Poor app for 'Upsidegas' given, then "Fox Sports 1360." Alone, WTAQ not powered up yet. (JJR-WI)
- **1360 WVRQ WI Viroqua 2/24 0756 –** Calls after 'Fingertips Part II.' Very poor, though clear through WTAQ. (JJR-MI)
- **1370 WCCN WI Neillsville 2/21 0717 –** "Memories 1370 WCCN" into 'Blue on Blue' by Bobby Vinton. Very poor, with a weak WSPD in back. (JJR-WI)



14 1400 KBJM SD Lemmon – 2/20 2004 – With local KMNV knocked down, end of USA Network news with ID: "We've got you covered with local information and Classic Country on KBJM." (SD-MN) 1430 WLTG **Upper Grand Lagoon – 2/16 1232 –** Spanish woman preacher with constant FL guitar strumming under. Parallel station stream. Faith Radio (Español) Network affiliate now. A mere 125/60 Watter. First time log. (TK-FL1) 1440 WIBU Paris – 2/22 0714 – "... on ... WIBQ FM." Very poor, with others, while chasing IL an unID oldies station. (JJR-WI) 1450 WNBY MI Newberry – 2/24 0834 – News, calls, weather. Poor, but atop in rare fashion. Not common. (JJR-MI) 1490 KMET CA Banning – 2/24 1305-1306 – Mentioning the weather in Redlands, Beaumont, Palm Springs and the Coachella Valley. The radio website is mentioned. A 30-second silence, followed by how the station presents their programs. Weak, but audible. (RA-CA A1) 1490 WTIQ MI Manistique – 2/22 0738 – Very poor, though "Classic Country . . . Maverick" heard after an ad. Many others in. (JJR-WI) 1490 KUGR WY Green River – 1/31 2020-2022 – Briefly good at tune in, with play-by-play of Wyoming-Colorado State men's basketball game. Went right to break with a spot for University of Wyoming's College of Engineering and a spot for 'Bud Light' that made mention of "the Cowboy Spirit" by female. // stream. New! 1 kW at 655 miles. (SB-CA) 1500 WBZI OH Xenia – 2/17 0707 – Very poor, with C&W music and "Roots Radio." In for 30 minutes. Weak, but KSTP was weaker . . . or not in. (JJR-WI) 1510 KFNN AZ Mesa – 2/16 1928-1933 – With Arizona news, into a show with Moe Ansari. "Money Radio" is mentioned. Fading in and out. (RA-CA R1) 1510 WCAZ Carthage – 2/20 0720 – Very poor, with "Real Country" after song. National ads, IL then calls, then back to music. (JJR-WI) 1510 KIFG IA Iowa Falls – 2/20 0719 – Very poor, though weather and "95.3 KIFG" popped in. (JJR-WI) MI Lapeer – 2/25 0807 – Poor, with "US 103-1, all request rock channel" (station has 1530 WLCO been sold, so format will change at some point). (JJR-MI) 1550 KAPE **MO Cape Girardeau – 2/17 0706 –** Fox News ends, then "News Talk 95.7 FM News Talk" Glenn Beck promo. Poor, but alone. (JJR-WI) 1560 KTUI MO Sullivan – 2/17 0746 – Weather: "Sullivan, Warrenton . . . rain possible." WGLB running Open Carrier. (JJR-WI) Charles City – 2/24 0706 – ". . . news from Radio Iowa . . . now." Over WWSJ, 1580 KCHA IA then faded into CKDO. Poor. (JJR-MI) 1580 WWSJ MI St. Johns – 2/24 0706 – Poor, in brief fade up over CKDO, with Black Gospel. (JJR-MI) ON Oshawa - 2/22 0232:30 - "CKDO" mention just before an ad for Rocket 1580 CKDO Mortgage. Less than hour before Aurora conditions in Edmonton. Only second time heard in the last few years, but no sign of frequently-heard CHHA-1610, but I only checked after CKDO faded out. (JP-AB) CA West Sacramento - 2/16 2000 - Call ID with simulcast on 97.7 FM. Into a 1620 KSMH religious program. Fading in, then out and back in. Reception improving. First time! (RA-CA W1) 1640 WTNI **MS** Biloxi – 2/19 0653 – Easily noticeable in WPJP null, with songs by Queen and Heart, then "WTNI-AM . . . 6 . . . " (a Legal ID, I'm sure). Poor but steady. (JJR-WI) LA Monroe – 2/18 0658 – Although poor, this is as easy as WPRR, which is now on 1680 KRJO its 4th day of Open Carrier. "The new 99.7 the Legends." (JJR-WI) **1680 WTTM NJ Lindenwold – 2/18 0700 –** Very poor, fading under/over WPRR's Open Carrier. Legal ID, ETHnic programming. (JJR-WI) 1700 WEUP AL Huntsville – 2/21 0657 – Poor, with UC music over weak KBGG. Legal ID. Trying for unneeded WRCR. (JJR-WI) TX Richardson – 2/21 0700 – Very poor in fade up, over/under WEUP, and now no 1700 KKLF KBGG! (JJR-WI) <u>---1330 Challenge---</u>

1330 KLBS CA Los Banos – 2/9 0808 – Man and woman with Portuguese chat. ID as "Radio Portuguesa" and into Portuguese vocal music at 0810. Fair, with QRM. A wonderful mix of languages can be heard here on 1330, with English, Spanish, Portuguese, and Navajo languages regularly heard. (JW-CO)

- **1330 KNSS KS Wichita 2/9 0800 –** AM/FM legal ID, followed by news. Signal up and down throughout the hour. (**JW-CO**)
- **1330 KGAK NM Gallup 2/13 0858 –** C&W music, "Gallup KGAK" singing ID at 0900:30 and into Navajo chants. Back to C&W a few minutes later, with Navajo-language announcer. Good signal. (JW-CO)
- **1329.98 KCKM TX** Monahans 2/9 0828 (Frequency approximate). Morning Traffic Report, sponsored by 'Williams Paving & Excavation,' ". . . serving the entire Permean Basin," then area weather and call letter ID. Fair, in the mix. (JW-CO)
- **1330 KOVE** WY Lander 2/22 1000 Short feature on local musician Christian Wallowing Bull, promo for "2022 Best Mascot" competition, open to Fremont County high schools, Fox News at 1002. Generally fair and alone, with signal still there at 1100 (mid-morning here). (JW-CO)
- **1330** CJYM SK Rosetown 2/22 0812 Area ads, including one for 'Central Plains Co-op' (with several locations in central Saskatchewan) and mention of "westcentralonline." Rough copy in QRM. (JW-CO)

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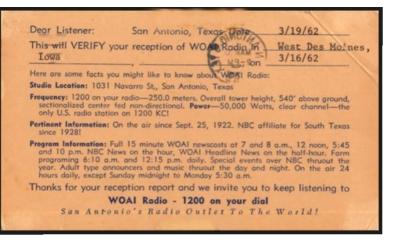
Report your verifications to the NRC eGroup and they will appear here, or send them directly to me at the above address. Next deadline: **04/01/22 1 PM PLT**. pb

- 680 WDBC **MI**, Escanaba. Prepared card in 20 days, signed by Wendy Irving, Traffic/Bookkeeping, Aurora Media, WDBC, 1401 N 26th Street, Escanaba MI 49829. (JR-NY)
- 850 KFUO MO, Clayton. Prepared card in 15 days, signed by Gary Duncan, Executive Director, sent to 1333 S Kirkwood Rd, St Louis MO 63122. (JR-NY)
- 1080 KYMN **MN**, Northfield. Prepared card in 11 days, signed by (illegible), owner, sent to 200 Division Street, Northfield MN 55057. Several DX-friendly comments in the margins of the card. My 702nd MW QSL. (JR-NY)
- 1240 WVSL NY, Saranac Lake. Prepared card received in 10 days, signed by (illegible), GM. Sent to Adirondack 105, PO Box 368, Lake Placid NY 12946. (JR-NY)
- 1287 JOHR Japan, Sapporo. <u>Here</u> is my audio of JOHR. (PW-AK)
- 1440 JOWF Japan, Sapporo. <u>Here</u> is my audio of JOWF. (PW-AK)
- 1460 WKAM **IN**, Goshen. Prepared card in 1 month. The "least" QSL ever, in that the only action taken by the station was to put a check mark on the signature line, and mail it back in the SASE. Oh well, something is better than nothing. Envelope return address: 930 E Lincoln Ave, Goshen IN 46528. QSL #2 for 2022, with about 13 others outstanding. (JR-NY)
- 1720 Undercover Radio. Full-data (except location) Email QSL, confirmation #821 (That's the Doc's number of verifications issued by Underground Radio I'm up to #697 myself.), received in 2 days for an Email report on February 6 to <u>undercoverradio@gmail.com</u>,

noted with 1 kW. Signed by Dr. Benway. I've got 15 reports out in 2022, but this is the only response so far. (JR-NY)

Thanks to these great reporters – pb

Jim Renfrew – Clarendon NY (JR-NY) Paul B. Walker Jr. – Western Interior AK (PW-AK)



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TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 837.118 **IRAN** *IRIB R.Esfahan*, Habibabad FEB 19 2345 Loud het against 837 *COPE*; measured 837.118 kHz as listed. [Conti-NH]
 - 837 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Cumbria*, Barrow-in-Furness FEB 3 0359 Time pips, time check, BBC ID, stinger, "Coming to you with the world news." [Brandi-NJ]
 - 855 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Murcia et al. FEB 19 0400 Fair; time marker, "Las cinco, las cuatro en Canarias," and servicios informativos. [Conti-NH]
 - 864 **EGYPT** *ERTU* Santah FEB 19 2330 Good; Koranic recitations, brief announcement, then more Koran. [Conti-NH]
 - 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5* synchros FEB 20 0000 Good with local WGHM open carrier; "This is BBC Radio 5 Live," and "BBC News at midnight." [Conti-NH]
- 1152 **ROMANIA** *R.România Actualitati,* Cluj JAN 31 0458 Music, parallel web feed at http://89.238.227.6:8000/. [Brandi-NJ]
- 1215 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros FEB 5 0058 Music, parallel *COPE* Madrid on 999 kHz; very noisy, normally dominant *Absolute Radio* mostly absent in storm conditions. [Brandi-NJ]
- 1467 **FRANCE** *TWR* Roumoules FEB 3 2259 Music, interval signal, then off. [Brandi-NJ] FEB 24 2300 One cycle of *TWR* interval signal and off, leaving weak unID (likely Saudi Arabia) and 1467.377 Iran. [Conti-NH]

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 530 **CUBA** *R.Enciclopedia*, La Habana-Villa María JAN 30 0934 "Fool on the Hill" instrumental on Spanish guitar, marking the second night in a row with the strongest signal ever heard. The usual 1960s instrumentals, occasionally with female background singers, and a few traditional Spanish guitar pieces. Little or no fades and none of the fluttery fading normally heard, but 540 CBK slop was surprisingly bad both nights. Same female announcer always heard speaking Spanish very carefully, typically after every second instrumental. The words Radio or Enciclopedia were not heard, but one break did end with the word Cuba. Only slight traces of *R.Rebelde*. [Pearkins-AB] FEB 16 0405-0432 Soft-spoken woman in Spanish with low-key non-Latino instrumental music. Mixing with CHLO with peaks well on top. Not Rebelde per 5025 check. [Frodge-MI]
- 530 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Caribe//Guantánamo-Antiguo FEB 22 0735 Occasionally dominant with Spanish language light pop male vocal in 3 second fade cycle with an otherwise strong *R.Enciclopedia* playing usual instrumentals of 1960s pop songs. First time in over two years for anything more than traces of *R.Rebelde* here. [Pearkins-AB]
- 540 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Maisí-Santa Rita//Sancti Spíritus FEB 8 0500 Cuban national anthem. [Brandi-NJ]
- 550 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* Pinar del Río-San Juan FEB 8 0501 Cuban national anthem weak in background, parallel 540 kHz. [Brandi-NJ]
- 556.26 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* unknown location FEB 23 0320 Music, male talking ID at 0330, characteristic 3 notes repeated 3 times. "Las Noticias" read by male and mention of Rebelde. Surprised to find a Cuban on this odd frequency. At first I thought it might be Spain. I have a screenshot from SDRUno and a recording. [Brodsky-NY]
 - 560 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Ciego de Avila FEB 8 0501 Cuban national anthem, parallel 540, 550 kHz. [Brandi-NJ] FEB 15 0120 – Male commentary in Spanish over crowd noise parallel 5025 kHz. One in the mix. [Frodge-MI] FEB 27 1128 – Lively tropical music. Fair signal. [Beu-TX]
 - 570 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Santa Clara FEB 17 0417 Only hear top-of-minute code "RR" under WKBN and its challenger. [Frodge-MI]
 - 590 CUBA *R.Musical Nacional*, La Julia FEB 8 0500 ID, Cuban national anthem. [Brandi-NJ]
 - 590 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* Guantánamo-Berene FEB 8 0501 Cuban national anthem, weak in background, parallel 560, 550, 540 kHz. [Brandi-NJ]
 - 600 **COLOMBIA** HJHJ *R.Libertad*, Barranquilla FEB 8 0358 Faded up with ID for Ondas del Caribe Ocho Cuarenta (840), which Libertad sometimes relays, then faded under Rebelde ID. [Brandi-NJ]

- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, San Germán-Urbano Noris FEB 8 0500 ID into Cuban national anthem, parallel other Rebelde stations. [Brandi-NJ]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Colón FEB 14 0500 Cuban national anthem heard under local WSNR, parallel 600, 610 kHz. [Brandi-NJ]
- **MEXICO** XENK México, DF FEB 23 0522 Heard rooster crows in the mix; bluesy tune then jazz parallel https:// www.radio-en-vivo.mx/radio-620-am. [Frodge-MI]
- **PUERTO RICO** WUNO San Juan FEB 9 0102 Full ID for several stations. [Brandi-NJ]
- **CUBA** *R.Progreso,* Ciego de Avila FEB 14 0459 Cuban national anthem mixing with and sometimes dominant over WSM. [Brandi-NJ]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* multiple sites FEB 20 0510 Tropical music under WSCR; parallel 5025 kHz. [Frodge-MI]
- **PUERTO RICO** WAPA San Juan FEB 14 1000 ID for all the stations in the WAPA network; parallel 1070 kHz. [Brandi-NJ]
- **COLOMBIA** HJCZ, *W Radio*, Bogotá FEB 7 0159 ID, pop music, parallel stream at <u>https://18493.live.streamtheworld.com/WRADIO_SC</u>. [Brandi-NJ]
- **MEXICO** XEN *R.Centro y El Fonografio*, México, DF JAN 28 0253-0309 Poor underneath a mix of KTSM and XEWW with Mexican vocal ballads by both male and female artists. "El Fonografio" noted between songs by male. Parallel to station webstream. New. 5 kW at 1,461 miles. [Battaglino-CA]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites FEB 14 0459 Cuban national anthem heard under local blowtorch WOR, parallel 600, 610, 620 kHz. [Brandi-NJ]
- **CUBA** *R.Angulo*, Sagua de Tánamo FEB 14 0459 ID under CFZM Toronto. [Brandi-NJ]
- **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Guane//Mayarí Arriba FEB 14 0459 Cuban national anthem audible under WJR. [Brandi-NJ]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Victoria de las Tunas FEB 14 0459 Cuban national anthem heard under local WABC. [Brandi-NJ]
- **COLOMBIA** HJFV *R.Viva*, Pasto FEB 17 1040 News format with male and female announcers and "Radio Viva" ID's. Also matched internet stream. Fair signal under WBBM. FEB 18 1058 National anthem. [Beu-TX]



- **MEXICO** XEXY *La Poderosa Voz de Balsas*, Cd. Altamirano, Gro. FEB 21 0101 Attention signal (four descending notes) followed by "La Poderosa" ID (frequent). Regional music programming format. Station not signing off at 0430 UTC (per IRCA Mexican Log), it's on all night. Good signal peaks under WBBM. [Beu-TX]
- **BAHAMAS** ZNS3 Freeport FEB 19 0500 Under WGY; national anthem and Radio Bahamas ID including transmitter powers, parallel 1540 kHz. [Conti-NH] FEB 19 1115 – "Broadcasting Corporation of the Bahamas" ID by female announcer followed by gospel song. Fair signal. [Beu-TX]
- **HONDURAS** HRLP24 *R.Valle*, Choluteca FEB 16 1130 "Radio Valle" and mention of 90.7 and 94.7 Radio América; poor; Honduras #4. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- **MEXICO** XERB Cozumel, Q.Roo FEB 18 1159 Call ID's for XERB and XHRB and partial phone numbers; poor with KGO faded; QR #3. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Ciego de Avila FEB 20 1101 RR Morse code heard through WNYC and CHAM. [Conti-NH]
- **MEXICO** XETLX *La Poderosa*, Tlaxiaco, Oax. FEB 19 1206 Late full ID with slogan, address, and anthem; fair under XEITE; Oax. #9. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- **CUBA** CMHW *Doblevé*, Santa Clara FEB 16 0850 Adele "Hello" parallel radiocubana.cu stream; WHAS partly nulled. [Krueger-FL] FEB 19 0400 Under WHAS; canned ID with familiar theme music, "Esta es Doblevé, desde Santa Clara..." [Conti-NH]
- **CUBA** *R.Revolución*, Palma Soriano FEB 19 0500 Choral national anthem under canned *Doblevé* ID after anthem on *Doblevé* had concluded. [Conti-NH]
- **HONDURAS** HRQW *La Voz Evangélica*, Tela FEB 19 0059 HRVC ID, which matches 1390 parent station, and CST time check; poor; Honduras #5. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- **PUERTO RICO** WABA Aguadilla FEB 14 1020 Conversation between woman on phone and man, parallel stream at http://waba850am.com/en-vivo/. [Brandi-NJ]
- **CUBA** *R.Reloj,* Jovellanos//Bolondrón FEB 20 1101 RR Morse code heard through CJBC and WOAY. [Conti-NH]
- **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Baracoa-Van Van//Bueycito//Sancti Spíritus FEB 20 0801 RR Morse code, loud wobbling over WHCU and WWL. [Conti-NH]
- **CUBA** *R.Progreso,* Chambas FEB 20 0800 Under WLS; theme song and ID, "Radio Progreso, cadena nacional, la onda de la alegría..." [Conti-NH]

- **CUBA** *R.Artemisa*, Artemisa FEB 16 1920 Fair with Cuban soft pop vocals, bottom of hour woman canned ID. But unable to parallel to 1020 kHz, which was covered by *R.Guamá* local level, carrying the same sports feed as 1550 and 1180 kHz. Logged at Henderson Beach State Park, Destin, FL. [Krueger-FL]
- **MEXICO** XEOY México, DF FEB 16 0945 Sounded like a "talk about music" program with long segments by female Spanish announcer and very short bits by two different male voices, plus about 30 seconds of a fairly modern Mexican adult contemporary male vocal song. Strongest south/southeast, which also helped to null open carrier from KNWN (ex-KOMO) and also slightly reduced heavy slop from 1010 CBR. CBR runs music beds near the top of the hour, which makes the slop a lot worse, eliminating any chance of hearing a voice ID on XEOY though a few tones were heard at the top of the hour, presumably from XEOY. Still traces of Spanish talk after KNWN got their audio back at 1002:30, and again when checking at 1025, which is very unusual, as KNWN is normally completely un-nullable, except when KSOO is running 10 kW day power at night. [Pearkins-AB]
- **PUERTO RICO** WMIA Arecibo FEB 14 1000 ID for all the stations in the WAPA network, parallel 680 kHz. [Brandi-NJ]
- **CUBA** *R.Cadena Habana*, La Habana-Villa María FEB 6 0341-0345 Poor, but rose up nicely for a brief period with distinctly Latin music and a female vocal. Copied during the live stream of DXCentral and was parallel to what was being heard by Loyd and broadcast over the stream. New! 5 kW at 2,185 miles. [Battaglino-CA]
- **MEXICO** XETQE *La Radio de Tabasco*, Tenosique, Tab. FEB 19 0101 Slogan by woman and mention of four frequencies, flanked by distinctive music; parallel 1230; very poor under XEPOP, would have remained unID without 1230 match; Tab. #2. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- **CUBA** *R.Surco*, Morón FEB 14 0959 Salsa music, ID at 1000 UTC. [Brandi-NJ]
- **CUBA** *R.Bayamo*, Bueycito FEB 27 0500 Under WWDJ; choral national anthem and doorbell chimes. [Conti-NH]
- **MEXICO** XEUAS *Radio UAS*, Culiacán, Sin. JAN 21 0707-0714 Poor with fair peaks underneath and briefly even with mix of KEIB and KAGO; extended version of Mexican national anthem – children's choir version. Followed by the tune The Great Pretender! All parallel to webstream. New! Listed at 125 watts nights at 821 miles. [Battaglino-CA]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* multiple sites JAN 30 0945 Presumably the traditional pop female Spanish vocals strong under KOFI, at the same time that 530 *R.Enciclopedia* was strongest ever heard. [Pearkins-AB]
- **GUATEMALA** TGRN *R.Petén*, Flores FEB 19 1145 *R.Petén* ID for 1460 AM, 88.5 FM, and website www.radiopeten.com.gt; fair-good; Guatemala #4. Unlike Mexican AM's, some Guatemalans are conservative with ID's during breaks, and this took a long time to nail down. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- **BAHAMAS** ZNS1 Nassau FEB 7 0500 Recitation of the preamble of the Constitution of the Bahamas, then "This is Radio Bahamas, 1540 AM 104.5 FM, the national voice of the Bahamas," then address; fair; country #12. [Jeziorski-QRO] FEB 8 0858 Smokey Robinson "Goin to a Go-Go," other oldies, ID at 0905, dominant over KXEL. [Brandi-NJ]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, unknown western site FEB 16 1818 Sports event, definitely indoors (maybe basketball, or something ChiCom Olympics?). Oddly, parallel one of the synchros on 1180 kHz, while 'regular' Rebelde synchros with music, sounders, and ID also present there. A mention of *R.Bayamo* and *R.Mayarí* noted separately, so maybe *Rebelde FM* or some ICRT joint stations feed. Fair. Logged at Henderson Beach State Park, Destin, FL. [Krueger-FL]
- **MEXICO** XEJPV, *W Radio*, Cd. Juárez, Chih. FEB 19 0100 *W Radio* slogans and news, but no local ID; fair; Chih. #12. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- **MEXICO** XERF Cd. Acuña, Coah. FEB 25 0456 Strongest, cleanest signal heard in over 5 years, marred only by momentary deep fades. [Pearkins-AB]
- **CUBA** *R.Bayamo*, Bayamo FEB 7 0500 Cuban anthem, then ID, "cadena provincial de Granma"; fair; Cuba #24. [Jeziorski-QRO]
- **MEXICO** XEFCR *Focus Radio*, Reynosa, Tamps. FEB 20 1203 Children's choral anthem and full ID; now apparently broadcasting with full service, but still off frequency at 1670.048; fair with XEANAH; Tamps. #13. [Jeziorski-QRO]

TRANS-PACIFIC DX

KIRIBATI *R.Kiribati*, London, Christmas Island FEB 18 1000-1100 – Presumed; carrier observed, measured 845.996/7 kHz as listed. First time ever noticed. [Conti-NH] FEB 23 0553 – Definite carrier already, surely *R.Kiribati* a sesquihour after London sunset, rather than anything TA. [Hauser-OK]

Transoceanic carrier search: FEB 16 0649 – 846 no audio but much stronger than the only other traces: 684, 774, 1044, 1215, i.e. surely Kiritimati vs remnants from Europe: Spain and UK. FEB 20 0352-0356 – 531, 585, 684, 774(2), 855(2), 909, 1107(2), 1125?, 1215, 1296 kHz. A long time since I last heard 531, surely the 600 kW Algeria, though there are also listed some low powers in Spain, asking to be swamped? Most of the others likely Spain, UK, although checking now 3+ hours earlier than bedtime should get better results. Has RTA 531 been off air or limited sked? WRTH 2022 shows both 531 and 600/300 kW 891 kHz are 24 hours, but I'm still not ever hearing 891 which used to give WLS a het for its Hertz. (*891 Algeria has been off the air, listed as inactive on mwlist.* – Conti) FEB 23 0345-0348 – 531, 621, 684(2), 774(2), 882, 1044, 1125 kHz. [Hauser-OK]

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

UKRAINE: 837 kHz from Kharkiv region reactivated FEB 24, but unfortunately was knocked off the air the following day. [Ydun Ritz, mediumwave.info] *Ukrainske Radio* on 549, 657, and 1404 kHz all widely reported active during Russian invasion.

73 and Good DX!

Anreported Domestic Stations

No stations were reported to DDXD for the first time this issue since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000). The best we did was WPCF-1290, for the first time since the late Gerry Thomas reported hearing their format change in Volume 75 Issue 2 (Oct. 8, 2007). We still have 240 rare target stations left on our list of full-service U.S. and Canadian stations (100 Watts or more) that have not been reported during this time.

The most recent update of the list was in issue 88-18, but an updated copy is available on request from <u>NRCDXNews@gmail.com</u>.

News from IRCA

From Nick Hall-Patch: The IRCA Reprints collection of 900+ articles about antennas, radio propagation, receivers, accessories, plus items of general interest to MW DXers, continues to grow. We've published an update to the index so that everyone can get access to these latest additions. We're also pleased to start offering reprints that did not initially appear in IRCA's <u>DX Monitor</u>, but are not easily found elsewhere. For example, we have obtained permission from the family of the late prolific author, Dallas Lankford, to organize and republish his out of print articles.

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35th Annual NASWA Winter SWL Festival – March 4-5, 2022 – Virtual

The 35th Annual NASWA Winter SWL Festival is taking place March 4 & 5, via Zoom again this year. All the details are available on the Winterfest webpage at <u>www.swlfest.com</u>. Registration is only \$10 for the full two days, and is open now. Don't delay...sign up today! The webpage has a list of all the forums planned, plus other activities throughout the weekend. We hope to see you there!

Musings of the Members

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Bob Hlivak NH6XO, Kaneohe HI

Musing of a (former) member. It is with great sadness that I report the passing of long-time NRC member *Albert Mariani, KH6MD*. I started in the NRC decades ago from my hometown in northeast Ohio and still remain friends with Wes Boyd, former NRC feature editor. When I eventually landed in Hawaii decades ago, I reached out to Al as a fellow NRCer and we became good friends. Once we travelled to Kauai for a BCB DXpediton. We did many crazy things on Oahu with BCB DX and ham radio including making a kite-borne 5/8-wavelength 160m vertical at the beach (everyone wanted to be on the radio and no one wanted to tend to the kite which kept crashing when the wind shifted). Al maintained his interest in BCB DX as mine faded. He had a pretty good setup at home with a rotatable loop and a long beverage stretched along the hillside by his house that pointed to the US mainland. Al was slowed by a rare muscle wasting illness and became wheelchair bound. But he persevered to keep active with his radio hobbies. We reset his radio setup this past Christmas and just two weeks ago redid his headset, mic, and PTT for easier access and use. He left us on February 14th. He was my friend and he will be missed.

Carl "Skip" Dabelstein KØSBV, Maple Grove, MN

I have really been enjoying the Musings reports appearing in DX News recently. From the time I joined the NRC in late 1959 up through the late 80's, the Musings reports was the most prominent section in the bulletin with up to a couple dozen members reporting in each issue. The back page of the old bulletins were labeled "DX Down the Dial" and typically carried information about new stations doing early morning operations testing before formally signing on the air, changes in stations' regular sign on/off times, changes in silent periods, and other such timely information. Over the years, the DX reporting migrated from Musings to what we now have as the Domestic DX Digest, with Musings all but going by the wayside. I always enjoyed reading the Musings reports and getting to feel like I knew some of the DXers personally, long before actually meeting them at an NRC Convention.

As for how I got into the hobby, in the Fall of 1958, World Radio Labs in Council Bluffs, IA, just across the Missouri River from my hometown Omaha, was holding Novice Class ham radio license classes. At the first meeting, I was seated next to two strangers, Murray Mann and Ernie Wesolowski, who remain my good friends today. A few months later, in the Spring of 1959, my family moved to a house across the street from Murray and about three blocks from Ernie. As we reconnected, I learned that both, in addition to being licensed hams, also were BCB DXers and members of the National Radio Club, another radio interest I soon picked up. They told me that later that Summer, the NRC was going to have its annual convention right there in Omaha on Labor Day. They invited me to attend one of the convention events, a pool party at the motel. Being only 13, my Dad had to drive me, but it was interesting to him as well, because he was also a licensed ham. While there, I met such famous DXers as Ray Edge, Ernie Cooper, John Callarman, and Len Kruse. I remember giving Ray four crisp one dollar bills for my first dues payment, and am still a Club member today, 63 years later.

Over the years, I have had the opportunity to BCB DX from a variety of locations, including Omaha 1959-1971, Lincoln 1971-1976, Overland Park 1976-1991, Minneapolis 1991-1996, Tucson 1996-2020, and after six months' of COVID house arrest, we decided to move back to Minnesota to be closer to family. We now reside in Maple Grove, a northwest Twin Cities suburb.

As a member of the NRC, I have had the pleasure of meeting some really great people. I have already mentioned Murray and Ernie (it was Ernie who taught me how to drive a car). While living in Lincoln, I met Bob Mitchell and Dave (Ghoti) Fisher, both of whom remain good friends today, with Dave now living in the KC area and Bob having recently moved out to Arizona. It was with Bob and Dave, that we erected a 3,200' Beverage antenna (Project NeBe--Nebraska Beverage) at the grounds of the University of Nebraska Agricultural Field Labs near Mead, Nebraska in 1971. It was the best BCB DXing antenna I ever used. At the NRC 2016 Convention in KC, Dave came and made presentation on Project NeBe. Also while in Lincoln, I also had good friendships with two NRC members that have since passed away, Neil Zank and Bob McCoy. Along with them, I was lager a cohost of the NRC Lincoln convention in 1977.

In 1974, when I was still living in Lincoln, my annual two-week U.S.Army Reserve training was going to be at Ft. Knox, KY. By some stroke of luck, the NRC convention in Toledo that year was going to occur during the middle weekend of my training. For some time, I had been in regular

contact with NRC member Dick Truax, who lived in Louisville at the time. Dick said he was going to be driving past Ft. Knox on Friday afternoon, on his way home from a business trip, and if I could get off for the weekend, he would pick me up and I could ride to the Convention with he, Gary Atkins, and Don Eggert. I did and it was a great time. Over the years, I have attended more than a dozen conventions and was a co-host on seven.

In Overland Park, KS, I met NRC members Bruce Reynolds and Rob Keeney, with whom I attended several NRC conventions. During my first stint in Minnesota, I joined the Minnesota DX Club and met Mike Bates and Jim Dale, and reconnected with John Sampson from my Nebraska days. Since returning to the Twin Cities, I have reconnected with both Mike and Jim. While in Arizona, I met and became friends with Bob Coomler (an NRC member from the LA area in the 60s) and technical expert Steve Ratzlaff, someone with whom I know our Musings editor Linda is well acquainted. Annually, for the last few years I lived in Tucson, Bob and I would do an annual DXpedition at a cabin at Karchner State Park, about 50 miles east of Tucson. I still use an active whip antenna that Steve made for me about ten years ago.

As for my most memorable times in the hobby, and as a member of the NRC, there are many, but I will describe two. As a member of the NRC and its Courtesy Programs Committee, I have been able to arrange more than 100 DX Tests (see the NRC website Archives for a write-up and sounds of some of these DX Tests). Both of these memories relate to DX Tests. First, on New Years' Eve, as 1963 was turning into 1964, there was supposed to be a DX Test from Station VP4RD-730 in Trinidad. I listened for the entire hour of the scheduled test and heard nothing (VP4RD never came on with the test) until just a couple of minutes before the top of the hour, I heard some band music. When the song ended, the announcer said, "You are listening to the All-night New Years Eve Dance Party on KFQD Anchorage". That was my only Alaska catch in all my years of BCB DXing. KFQD has now moved to 750, and I actually had the chance to visit their studio in the 1980's, when I was in Anchorage doing a consulting engagement for the Anchorage Utility System.

The second memorable recollection occurred back in 1975. At that time I had verified 49 of the 50 states, lacking only Vermont. I was really excited when I received a response to my DX Test request letter from Station WSYB-1380 in Rutland, VT, agreeing to conduct a DX Test. I was even more excited that morning, as I turned on my HQ-180 A receiver and rotated my altazmuth loop antenna and heard the test. When the verie letter came in, that completed all 50 states, something that would be nearly impossible for someone starting out today.

Yes, I have have a great time being a member of the NRC all these years, and have met a number of great people along the way. Thank you for letting me ramble on. 73's and let see some more Musings.

Dale M. Unger, Hanover PA (received by snail-mail)

Dear NRC: Does anyone remember the CONELRAD Alert System? Back in the 1950's, in the event

of a nuclear attack, Americans were told to tune to 640 or 1240 kHz for instructions. Radio dials were marked as such. Where were their transmitters? What was their power? And, what ever became of the "GWEN"; the Ground Wave Emergency Network?" Where were the transmitters?

I'm interested in A.M. Radio history. This info might be a nostalgic read for people of a certain age (I am 73.) Thank you.

Linda Brodsky, Malverne, NY

It's hard for me to believe that I've been DX'ing for 65 years, but I was reminded the other day, when I came across a box of QSL letters in their original envelopes along with station swag sent to me in response to reports, mostly in the '60's and early 70's. A majority of these were from SWBC stations, some in countries that no longer exist, but there were also a few from AM stations including a program schedule and coverage from WHO -Des Moines IA(1040 kHz – March 1964;) a brochure size QSL from WOWO, Ft. Wayne, IN (1190 kHz – Oct 1964;) 4 brochures listing hits of the week and 2 decals from WKAQ, San Juan PR (580 kHz) celebrating their 50th year of broadcasting; a vinyl banner from R. Nacional de Venezuela (noting various AM frequencies and shortwave; a vinyl banner from XERMX, R. Mexico. Stuck in there too were 3 of my QSL cards with my childhood address in 1960 and my PE SWL call – WPE2DDV along with a price list and order blank from "Brownie" - W3CJI from whom I used to buy them. I have the postcard size QSLs in albums, but I have to find a better way to store these larger items. It probably would be a smart idea to digitize them too, but that's a project I'm not ready to take on at the moment.



GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

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1230 kHz

Station	State	City	DXer		DX Location					Miles		
KXO	CA	El Centro	John Sampson		Cuper			481				
WINF	CT	Manchester	John Sampson		Freeho			137				
WGGG	FL	Gainesville	John Sampson		Freeho	old NJ		864				
WJOB	IN	Hammond	John Sampson		New I	Provid	٧J	682				
WBME	ME	Belfast	John Sampson		Freeho	old, NJ	ſ		392 (tie)			
WCMC	NJ	Wildwood	Chris Gay		Lexing	gton, K	Y		525			
WSKY	NC	Asheville	John Sampson		Winst	on-Sal	em, N	С	131			
KSST	ΤX	Sulphur Springs	John Sampson		Hutch	inson,	MN			815		
KMOR	UT	Murray	John Sampson		Hutch	,			933			
KDYM	WA	Sunnyside John Sampson Cupertino, CA							631			
1450 kHz												
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Paul Thomas – (mostly) Proctorville, OH				35	$\frac{1240}{47}$	48	38	62	$\frac{1400}{50}$	<u>10tal</u> 280		
Tim Hall – US 6/50 at NV/UT Border, UT				41	39	38	47	42	41	248		
Mike Jeziorski – Juriquilla, QTRO			5	3	6	5	6	3	210			
Chris Gay – Lexington KY				2	8	3	1	4	3	20		

The old logging of defunct WBME led to some interesting results. When I try to find where this station used to be located, I only find some references to it being on School St. in Belfast. The land on School St. looks like it could have easily housed both the studio and transmitter. When I calculate the distance to John's house from this street, I get 392 miles, which is a tie of the late Ron Schiller's old record from Monmouth Beach, NJ. This is odd, because it looks like John's location should be about 13 miles farther away than Ron's. I doubt that a graveyarder in a small town with plenty of open land would have been forced to locate their transmitter that far out of town (especially back in the 1940s), but I can't resolve the discrepancy, so I'll leave the record as a tie. 73 Tim

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How would you like a copy of the last edition of the World Radio TV Handbook? It has been announced that WRTH will be discontinued unless a new publisher steps forward. The list price is US\$49.95. Last year the contribution to the NRC was \$20, but USPS raised the rates again this year. This is for USA members or members that have availability of a US mailing address. Sorry, the cost of postage to everywhere else is even more prohibitive! This year's raffle was delayed by supply chain issues and HQ was not willing to promote this activity until the books arrived. The NRC has 4 copies that will be available through this raffle. To receive a chance at the drawing, just send a postcard or letter to NRC WRTH Drawing, PO Box 473251, Aurora, CO 80047-3251. We'll draw 4 names of National Radio Club members in good standing (*your subscription to DX NEWS or e-DXN.com must be current*) and notify the winner by phone, provided you supply your phone number. The 4 lucky winners will receive the 2022 edition of the WRTH after they send us \$25 shipping and handling (and a buck or two for the NRC Treasury). Deadline for your response in the PO Box will be Saturday April 2, 2022!



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