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From NRC HQ: It's time to clean the basement at HQ. We have overrun copies of most issues of *DX News* from Volume 89 and late Volume 88 that need to find a new home or become something else by going to the recycler. If you need any issue(s) let HQ know and I'll give you a quote on postage. Use the Aurora addresses on the back page. I'll need to have everyone's request by January 25, after that we clear it all out. – Wayne Heinen.

From the Publisher: 'Tis the season ... for sending your fellow NRC members the gift of your tips and loggings in the next issue and throughout the New Year! Auroral conditions lately have been rocky for some and amazingly productive for others ... what have you been hearing? Let us know, we're all ears!

Membership Report

"Year # 53." – Greg Hardison.

New Members: Welcome to David Osborn, Omaha, NE.

Renewing Members: Thanks for the ongoing support of Steve Blaisdell; Ralph Brandi; Alan Furst; Gregory S. Hardison; R.E. King; Daniel Knepper; Ginnie Lupi; Barry McLarnon; Ed Norris; James N. Paige; Edmund H. Smith; and Randall Trapp.

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AM Switch

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NRC AM Log data mining provided by Shawn Axelrod and Bill Hale

FCC and CRTC Decisions and Applications

CALL CHANGES

Call changes reflected in FCC databases:

1110 WKQA VA Norfolk – Call change to WTJZ (Nov. 2).

Applications for future call sign changes received:

700 WPVQ MA Orange-Athol – Applies to change call to WQVD (contingent upon completion of sale to Hampden Communications Co.).

1030 WUFL MI Sterling Heights – Applies to change call to WKEG (when sale to Relevant Radio is complete).

1400 WBFN MI Battle Creek – Applies to change call to WUFL (when WUFL-1030 sale to Relevant Radio is complete).

1570 WSWV VA Pennington Gap – Applies to change call to WHNQ (effective Dec. 31).

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CPs) FOR EXISTING STATIONS

CPs fully licensed and on the air:

1220 KLDC CO Denver – Granted license to cover CP with U1 1000/12, new site (diplexed with KGNU-1390) at 39-39-29/105-00-49. (Please correct item in AMS issue 2 where we erroneously had this one with the original CP parameters, which were later modified to what is listed here and is now actually licensed.)

1440 WLXN NC Lexington – Granted license to cover CP with U1 5300/50, all at old day site.

CPs built and moving toward final licensing (likely being used on the air):

980 WAAV NC Leland – Applies for license to cover CP with U1 5000/85, adjust coordinates to 34-14-53/78-00-03.

1400 WRZX GA Newnan – Applies for license to cover CP with U1 700/700, new site (diplexed with WNEA-1300) at 33-22-31/84-47-08 and applies for program test authority.

CP granted:

590 KLBJ TX Austin – Granted CP with U1 5000/350, new site (new tower at KVET-1300 site) at 30-22-31/97-43-01.

Applications for CPs received:

640 KYUK AK Bethel – Applies for CP with new tower at 60-46-59/161-53-00.

1400 WRDB WI Reedsburg – Applies for CP with U1 1000/640, new 75' Valcom antenna at existing site.

SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)

STAs granted:

980 WDVH FL Gainesville – Granted STA, U1 250/166, lightning damage.

1100 KFAX CA San Francisco – Granted STA, U1 12500/12500 from KTCT-1050 tower at 37-39-01/122-09-05 during CP construction.

1430 WTMN FL Gainesville – Granted STA, U1 1000/45, lightning damage.

1450 KEZJ ID Twin Falls – Granted STA, U1 100/100, backup transmitter.

1510 KBED TX Nederland – Granted STA, D3 3000, transmitter problems.

Applications for STAs received:

970 WATH OH Athens – Applies for STA, D1 1000, cannot power down at night.

1010 WHKT VA Portsmouth – Applies for STA, U1 10/10, whip at licensed site 36-49-15/76-26-34, silent station needs to broadcast soon to maintain license.

1110 WTOF AL Bay Minette – Applies for STA, D1 250, 67.5m wire at 30-41-16/87-47-54, silent station needs to broadcast soon.

- 1540 KZMP TX **University Park** – Applies for STA, U1 100/100, 125' LW at 32-52-49/96-29-06, has lost licensed site.
- 1590 WSMN NH **Nashua** – Applies for STA, U1 250/58, whip at 42-45-36/71-27-54 (the Masonic building in downtown Nashua); has lost licensed site.

Extensions of prior STAs granted (usually for an additional 6 months):

- 570 WAAX AL **Gadsden** – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/125.
- 610 KILT TX **Houston** – Granted STA extension, pattern parameters at variance.
- 720 WHYF PA **Shiremanstown** – Granted STA extension, D1 2000, LW at 40-12-58/76-58-08.
- 850 WKIX NC **Raleigh** – Granted STA extension, U1 7900/120 from CP tower.
- 890 KTXV TX **Mabank** – Granted STA extension, U4 10000/250.
- 900 WNMB SC **North Myrtle Beach** – Granted STA extension, U1 50/50, 61m LW at 33-50-05/78-47-03.
- 950 KAHI CA **Auburn** – Granted STA extension, U1 1250/1250.
- WORL FL **Orlando** – Granted STA extension, U2 12000/10000, Cuba QRM.
- 960 WHYL PA **Carlisle** – Granted STA extension, U1 1300/22 from WCAT-FM-102.3 tower at 40-17-23/77-08-09.
- 980 WAAV NC **Leland** – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/85 (as in newly granted CP).
- 1050 KTCT CA **San Mateo** – Granted STA extension, U4 50000/35000, Mexico QRM.
- 1080 WKJK KY **Louisville** – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
- 1200 WGDL PR **Lares** – Granted STA extension, U1 1000/1000 as in longstanding CP application.
- 1310 WXMC NJ **Parsippany-Troy Hills** – Granted STA extension, U1 250/22.
- 1320 WDMJ MI **Marquette** – Granted STA extension, now using reconstructed tower but at reduced power until new 5 kW transmitter arrives.
- 1340 KSGT WY **Jackson** – Granted STA extension, U1 500/500, 100' LW at 43-27-43/110-45-10.
- 1360 KWDJ CA **Ridgecrest** – Granted STA extension, U1 250/31.
- 1410 KMYC CA **Marysville** – Granted STA extension, U1 1000/250.
- 1420 KGIM SD **Aberdeen** – Granted STA extension, U1 650/58 from KSDN-930 tower.
- KRIZ WA **Renton** – Granted STA extension, U1 250/125 from KYIZ-1620 tower.
- 1460 WXRQ TN **Mount Pleasant** – Granted STA extension, U1 500/120, 48.8m LW at 35-34-20/87-11-20.
- 1480 WYZE GA **Atlanta** – Granted STA extension, U1 10/10, whip at 33-42-16/84-22-40.
- 1520 KOKC OK **Oklahoma City** – Granted STA extension, U1 10000/10000, tower at 35-20-01/97-30-18.
- 1540 KXPA WA **Bellevue** – Granted STA extension, U1 5000/1250.
- 1560 WFME NY **New York** – Granted STA extension, **modified** to U1 2500/2500 (M-F 0600-1900), U1 10000/10000 (other times), WNSH/WFMU tower w/slant wire feed at 40-47-18/74-15-19; reduced power is due to blanketing interference at nearby school.
- 1600 WLXE MD **Rockville** – Granted STA extension, U1 1000/9 as in CP.

Applications to extend previously granted STAs received from WSJS-600 Winston-Salem NC, WOKV-690 Jacksonville FL, KNEW-960 Oakland CA, WTJZ-1110 Norfolk VA, KWKY-1150 Des Moines IA, WWRF-1380 Lake Worth FL, WBSG-1510 Lajas PR, KQFN-1580 Tempe AZ, and WRSB-1590 Brockport NY.

SILENT STATIONS

Stations notifying the FCC that they are silent:

- 690 KCEE AZ **Tucson** – Silent Nov. 20; technical reasons.
- 1450 WELY MN **Ely** – Silent Dec. 1; financial constraints.

Formerly silent stations notifying the FCC that they are on the air:

- 1010 WORM TN **Savannah** – Silent Feb. 3; back on the air Nov. 28 at 0700 Central time.
- 1400 WIRA FL **Fort Pierce** – Silent Oct. 8; cancelled application for silent STA so is presumably back on the air.

COMMERCIAL/NON-COMMERCIAL STATUS

- 1550 KXTO NV **Reno** – Granted change from commercial to non-commercial status.

NRC AM Log Updates

- 590 WCAB NC **Rutherfordton** – Format to OLD/TLKan (ex-OLD), networks to Nc/SRN, delete slogan. (WH)

- 850 WSMZ MI **Muskegon** — Format to CCR (ex-Silent), slogan to “Smile FM.” (DXMid)
 870 WQRX AL **Valley Head** — Add * to call NCE (FCC)
 KFJZ TX **Fort Worth** — Slogan & Group to Grp= Radio Libertad 870 & 1140 (JN)
 WFLO VA **Farmville** — Format to AC (ex-CCR); slogan to “Flo.” (RI)
 920 WMPL MI **Hancock** — Networks to Fox/P/CS/C2C. (DXMid)
 940 WNRG VA **Grundy** — Format to REL (ex-C&W); per WMJD-FM Facebook page drops nets, delete // WMJD-100.7. (KK)(DXM)(WH)
 1050 WFXO AL **Alexander City** — Format to C&W (ex-SPT), drops nets; slogan and Group to Grp= KIX Country 100.3 96.3. (StIntel)
 1060 WQMV TN **Waverly** — Networks to A/Tn. (DXM)
 1140 KHFX TX **Cleburne** — Slogan & Group to Grp= Radio Libertad 870 & 1140. (JN)
 1220 KDDR ND **Oakes** — Slogan & Group to Grp= The Tornado. (NP)
 1290 WYEA AL **Sylacauga** — Slogan & Group to Grp= KIX Country 100.3 96.3. (StIntel)
 1300 KGLO IA **Mason City** — Networks to C/DR/P/CMP/C2C. (JW)
 1340 KWXV CA **Cathedral City** — Slogan & Group to Grp= Music Radio 101.9. (FCC)
 KQDE MT **Evergreen** — Format to CLR (ex-AC). (DXM)
 KYLT MT **Missoula** — Format to NOS (ex-SPT); delete slogan, networks. (DXM)
 KPOK ND **Bowman** — Format to C&W (ex-C&W/OLD); nets to USA/Li/WW1. (DXMid)
 KXPO ND **Grafton** — Networks to C/Rf. (DXMid)
 1370 WLLM IL **Lincoln** — Slogan & Group to Grp= Great News Radio (ex-Grp= Good News Good Music). (StIntel)
 1400 KCOW NE **Alliance** — Format to XMAS (ex-CLR); slogan to “Reindeer Radio.” (JW)
 1450 WSDV FL **Sarasota** — Format to XMAS (ex-CHR); slogan to “Santa FM.” (RI)
 KBKW WA **Aberdeen** — Add * to call NCE. (FCC)
 1480 KRAE WY **Cheyenne** — // K213FK-90.5 should be K213FK-101.1. (JJR)
 1640 KZLS OK **Enid** — Slogan to “Freedom 96.9,” nets to THN/Fox/WW1/CMP/RA//SRN. (RI)

New Groups

Grp= Music Radio 101.9 – KWXV-1340, K270AI-101.9, K222DA-92.3 (FCC)

Grp= Radio Libertad 870 & 1140 – KFJZ-870, KHFX-1140, K273CS-102.5, K268DQ-101.5 (JN)

Grp= The Tornado – KDDR-1220, K262DH-100.3, K240CJ-95.9 (NP)

Group Name Change

Grp= Good News Good Music becomes Grp= Great News Radio (STIntel)

Group Changes

Grp= 95.3 the Bee drops WXWX-96.3 and adds W254AA-98.7 (RI)

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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 Eastern Local Time (ELT)

REPORTERS

- BC-NH** **Bruce Conti, Nashua** – Excalibur SDR, terminated SuperLoop antennas at 60° and 180°, terminated double Delta at 60°.
- SC-IN** **Steve Chappell, McCordsville** – Homebuilt receiver, K9AY loop antenna
- TF-NH** **Tony Fitzherbert, Campton** – C. Crane CC Radio 2E, Terk Advantage loop
- HJH-PA** **Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre** – C. Crane Skywave, Wellbrook ALA 1530 loop, Kiwa Pocket Loop
- PG-NY** **Peter Gonciarz, Marilla** – Airspy HF+ Discovery, Drake R8A, Alpha-Delta DX-SWL 60' Sloper, Airspy YouLoop, Radio West amplified loop, Radio Plus Quantum Phaser.
- KK-VA** **Kraig Krist, Manassas** – Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+ Imperium Loop.
- GL-NH** **Ginnie Lupi, Concord** – CCRadio2E + Select-A-Tenna
- TO-VA** **Tony Orr, Chantilly** – C Crane CCRadio 2E, Lowe HF-150, Terk Advantage Loop, 100 ft. LW NE/SW
- RJS-OH** **Bob Schroeder, Cincinnati** – RSPdx or Yaesu FT-991A with random long wire, C Crane Skywave, XHDATA D-808.
- BT-PEI** **Brent Taylor, Stratford** – SDRPlay RSPdx, Wellbrook ALA1530LN loop.
- JW-PA** **Jim Weber, Oyster Point** – Grundig S350, Tecsun PL 380, Sony ICF-2010
- MKB-ON** **Mike Brooker, Toronto** – Grundig YB-400PE, XHDATA D-808, Sihudon R-108, C Crane Skywave, Tecsun PL-330, Panasonic RF-2200

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UNID

910 unID -- - 11/25 2120 – Fire and brimstone preaching in Spanish. Only station listed in the Log on 910 with this format and a pattern which might come this way would be 5000 watt WSRP in Jacksonville, NC but it is reported silent. Any ideas? **(TF-NH)**

940 unID -- - 11/17 0541 – Mixing with WKGM, WKYK, talk, more talk, oldies and Gospel singing, “Gospel music at its best on Homecoming Radio... homecomingradio.com.” This is not WKGM as the programming on WKGM is different. I check the website, homecomingradio.com. Wish they had an overall frequency list. Unfortunately, no. Must look in every state listed. I don’t believe this is KPSZ. Is this WNRG Grundy, VA? WNRG was one of the 940 AM stations listed at their website. **(KK-VA)**



1620 unID -- - 11/20 2124 – “Paper Roses” fair to good with deep fades but generally dominant over the usual Cuban, R. Rebelde. At 2126 “Stranger on the Shore” and at 2141 “Calcutta” by Lawrence Welk. I’m pretty sure this is a pirate. This station broadcasts nonstop easy listening music every Sunday night. I’ve been monitoring it for months now and have never heard a station ID. **(PG-NY)**

TIS/HAR

1670 WQWC946 PA West Grove – 12/3 0600 – Poor with CJEU off the air; “Welcome to AGREM 1670...” and emergency management info. New log. **(BC-NH)**


1710 ---- MA Springfield – 11/27 0100 – Under WQFG689; National Park message for Springfield Armory including hours and website URL. **(BC-NH)**

WQFG689 NJ Multiple Locations – 11/27 0200 – Fair; repeating message, “This is radio station WQFG689 owned and operated by Hudson County, New Jersey, we are currently experiencing technical difficulties and continue to work on correcting the issue, please check back with 1710 AM soon, thank you for your patience.” **(BC-NH)**

LOGGINGS

- 540 WWCS PA **Canonsburg** – 12/4 0210 – The late Brother R G Stair doing his scratchy voiced preaching. Taped program. **(JW-PA)**
- 560 WVOC SC **Columbia** – 11/18 2034 – ID by male announcer into talk show. **(TO-VA)**
- 620 WFMV SC **Cayce** – 11/26 1645 – Gospel music show, man with sermon, // Streema live stream. No ID. **(TO-VA)**
- 640 WHLO OH **Akron** – 11/25 2222 – Classic rock oldies, 2238 ID as “This is WHLO Radio” and “640 WHLO Rewind Weekend” ID at 2250. **(TO-VA)**
- 650 WSM TN **Nashville** – 11/28 2053 – Classic C&W, way atop frequency, lots of plugs for the Grand Ole Opry, ads for Springer Mountain Farms feed for chickens, O’Reilly Auto parts, and weather for the eastern half of the country. Not usually heard here because of WFAN-660 interference. **(TF-NH)**
- 670 WWFE FL **Miami** – 12/4 0159 – Poor, in jumble, but clear ID by male in EE at the top of the hour, “this is WWFE, 6-70 AM, Miami.” Then a male announcer in Spanish with mention of “programa Cubana.” **(BT-PEI)**
- 680 WCBM MD **Baltimore** – 11/25 2025 – Under WRKO with Mark Levin podcast, ID for Talk Radio WCBM at 2033, unusual because this super directional station with two three tower arrays at its studios next to the Owings Mills Metro Station pushes its signal SE out over the Atlantic. **(TF-NH)**
- 690 CKGM QC **Montréal** – 11/25 1920 – “CJAD talk center” report, TSN 690 ad, CTV News at 6 ad, then into “She’s Got Game” talk show. **(TO-VA)**
- 730 WZGV NC **Cramerton** – 12/3 1700 – Good; “These are your teams and this is your town, 730 The Game, ESPN Charlotte, WZGV Cramerton,” and Clemson Athletic Network pregame show. **(BC-NH)**
- 750 WSB GA **Atlanta** – 12/4 0159 – Much stronger than usual, in semi-auroral conditions. This frequency is usually dominated by CBGY, but it was weaker, despite other Newfoundland stations being at usual strength. Promos for the Von Haessler Doctrine show, “on 95.5 WSB, Atlanta’s news and talk,” then into CBS news. **(BT-PEI)**
- 780 WWOL NC **Forest City** – 12/3 1700 – Poor; “Wonderful Words of Life, WWOL Forest City, North Carolina...” Heard end of Baptist Church Hour before this, but not sure it was the same station. WWOL website is dead. **(BC-NH)**
- 790 WPRV RI **Providence** – 11/22 2020 – Sports betting stuff, way atop frequency, ID for “790 the Score,” not heard for a while. **(TF-NH)**
- 900 WACA MD **Laurel** – 11/17 1640 – Good with “Washington” in SS talk and // to web stream. New. **(SC-IN)**
- WYCV NC **Granite Falls** – 12/3 1645 – Very poor into ID, “AM 900 98.7 FM WYCV.” New. **(SC-IN)**
- WIAM NC **Williamston** – 11/17 0425 – In multi-station mix (CHML, WCPA, WKDW, WACA) with “Country music legends right here all the time on 92.1 and anytime, anywhere at radio900.net” station promo. **(KK-VA)**
- WCPA PA **Clearfield** – 11/17 0430 – In multi-station mix with “Passport Radio” slogan. At 0452 male “You found ‘Passport Radio,’ 98 5 and 101 7. It’s a trip.” **(KK-VA)**
- WKDW VA **Staunton** – 11/17 0503 – In multi-station mix also with “Passport Radio” and male “AM 900 WKDW” ID. **(KK-VA)**
- 910 WSBA PA **York** – 11/26 0700 – “News Talk WSBA York” ToH ID into Fox News, battling in-state rival WXJX-Apollo’s oldies. **(MKB-ON)**
- WJCW TN **Johnson City** – 11/17 0704 – In multi-station mix (WRNL, WFJX, UNID religious talk and Cuba) with female “Fox Radio 9-10 AM and 106...WJCW” ID. **(KK-VA)**
- WFJX VA **Roanoke** – 11/17 0606 – In multi-station mix with female program host: “I’m Jenny... FM WFJX... Fox Radio 9-10 AM and 104.3 FM. Have a great day.” **(KK-VA)**
- 930 WFMD MD **Frederick** – 12/1 2148 – Promo for Rotary Club of Frederick by woman, Fanduel ad, then “Christmas Cash for Kids with 930 WFMD” promo. **(TO-VA)**
- 930 WBEN NY **Buffalo** – 11/17 0538 – Mixing with WLLL, WFMD and rock & roll songs, female “News radio 9-30 WBEN” ID. At 0543 “Buffalo’s Business Report on WBEN.” This was the morning of their HUGE snow storm. I was surprised to hear regular, normal weather forecasts mentioning large snow storm for the area. If this happened around my QTH things would have shut down for days before and after, school would cancel and store shelves of bread, toilet paper and milk would be empty. Amazing, as Buffalo just took the big storm in stride. The interesting things we hear on the radio. **(KK-VA)**

- 940 WKYK NC **Burnsville** – 11/17 0529 – Mixing with WKGM, talk, more talk, oldies and Gospel singing, FM-only “Classic Country is 104.7 WKYK” ID. **(KK-VA)**
 WKGM VA **Smithfield** – 11/17 0649 – Mixing with WKYK and several UNIDs, “Real music for real life, Joy FM” slogan. **(KK-VA)**
- 950 WORL FL **Orlando** – 11/23 0534 – In multi-station mix with “AM 950 and FM 99.9 ‘The Answer’” slogan. **(KK-VA)**
- 950 WCTN MD **Potomac-Cabin John** – 11/23 0500 – In multi-station mix (WORL, WWJ, WORD and R. Reloj) with female “This is WCTN Cabin John, Potomac, Maryland” ToH ID. Although WCTN is somewhat local to me, in reality they are not easily and rarely heard. **(KK-VA)**
 WORD SC **Spartanburg** – 11/23 0557 – In multi-station mix with “The Fan Upstate” slogan. **(KK-VA)**
- 960 KZIM MO **Cape Girardeau** – 11/23 0430 – In mix of WCRU, WFIR, UNID singing, Fox Sports and foreign talk (Haitian?) with station promo: “Hey everybody, it’s Lars Larson. Thanks for checking out my show here in Charleston. Hear me every day at 5PM on KZIM...” Checking the program schedule at kzimksim.com this is definitely KZIM. Also using internet map to compare Cape Girardeau and Charleston, MO. These cities are near each other. New station for me. **(KK-VA)**
- NEWS RADIO 960
KZIM
- WEAV NY **Plattsburgh** – 12/1 2047 – Presumed with ad for Zero Gravity Craft Brewery in Plattsburgh, other ads mentioning Burlington, VT, University of Vermont-Burlington post-game show and “go VCats!” Never managed an ID. **(TO-VA)**
- WRNS NC **Kinston** – 12/2 1700 – Poor; “On air and online, 960 The Bull... CBS Sports Radio, WRNS Kinston.” **(BC-NH)**
- WFIR VA **Roanoke** – 11/28 2015 – Virginia Tech v. Minnesota basketball, ads for luxury apartments near VA Tech and the Virginia State Lottery, over/under usual WELI. Virginia Tech is in Blacksburg, 30 miles SW of Roanoke. New station for me. **(TF-NH)**
- 970 WVOP GA **Vidalia** – 11/23 0459 – Mixing with WBGG, WWRK and UNID gospel, “News talk AM 970 and FM 105.3 WVOP...” ID. New station for me. **(KK-VA)**
 WBGG PA **Pittsburgh** – 11/23 0430 – Mixing with WWRK, WVOP and UNID Gospel singing, “We are ESPN Pittsburgh” slogan. **(KK-VA)**
 WWRK SC **Florence** – 11/23 0436 – Mixing with WBGG, WVOP and UNID gospel, “Rolling non-stop. The Rock FM. South Carolina’s planet rock” station promo. **(KK-VA)**
 +++ – 12/1 2030 – “94.1, 97.9 the Rock FM” ID by man then classic rock. Later mentions of “The Rock FM.com” and “The Peedee’s Classic Rock Station, the Rock FM.” **(TO-VA)**
- WKCI VA **Waynesboro** – 12/3 0403 – Poor and ID’s as “Newsradio WKCY 107.9 FM.” **(SC-IN)**
- 980 WAAV NC **Leland** – 11/23 0425 – Mixing with WTEM, WULR and other Spanish singing, station promo: “We’re the station you can trust for the news that affects you. 107.9 and 990 ‘The Wave.’” **(KK-VA)**
- 990 WTLN FL **Orlando** – 11/23 0558 – In multi-station mix with male “... ‘The Word’ AM 9-90 and FM 101.5 ‘The Word Orlando’...online at thwordorlando.com.” **(KK-VA)**
 WEEB NC **Southern Pines** – 11/23 0430 – In multi-station mix (WNML, WTLN, WNRV, UNID singing and religious talk) with male “9-30 AM WEEB” ID. **(KK-VA)**
 +++ – 12/1 2005 – “This portion of the ---- show is sponsored by WEEB,” call-in number given as 877-381-3811. **(TO-VA)**
- WNML TN **Knoxville** – 11/23 0617 – In multi-station mix with “99.1. You’re listening to ‘The Sports Animal’” slogan. **(KK-VA)**
- 1040 WPBS GA **Conyers** – 12/04 0630 – Vietnamese speakers powering up at this time. In very well, dominating frequency during the period. Checked with internet feed. **(JW-PA)**
 +++ - 12/3 1800 – Under WURN; “WPBS Conyers AM 1040.” **(BC-NH)**
- 1070 WJMP NY **Plattsburgh** – 11/27 2005 – Yelling and screaming, passing as music, woman with ID for WJMP, back to more yelling and screaming, weak signal, alone on frequency, thought that WJMP checked out at sunset! **(TF-NH)** *I wonder if they’re targeting Urban/Hip Hop format to Montreal like WCHP-760. Mike.*
- WCSZ SC **Sans Souci** – 11/15 2108 – Atop with Spanish hip hop, woman DJ, only Spanish station listed on 1070, lost to hockey game possibly on CHOK, temporarily running with STA 375 watts non directional at night?! **(TF-NH)**
- WFLI TN **Lookout Mountain** – 12/1 1802 – Wiping out CHOK with “The Big One WFLI” jingle into “Rock the Casbah” by the Clash. **(MKB-ON)**

- WTSO WI **Madison** – 11/24 0759 – Over usual CHOK with Fanduel ad, “we are WTSO Madison” ToH ID and Fox Sports promo. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1080 WNWI IL **Oak Lawn** – 11/21 0800 – Fighting WTIC with “We are Chicago’s super ethnic station, WNWI” ToH ID, local ad (in EE) mentioning 708 area code into ethnic program in UNID language. **(MKB-ON)**
- WOAP MI **Owosso** – 11/28 0759 – Fighting WTIC with “WOAP Owosso Michigan” ID inserted amid high-octane Spanish talk. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1090 WCZZ SC **Greenwood** – 11/25 2317 – “Magic 1090 AM, 102.7 FM” slogans during “Old School House Party” show. **(TO-VA)**
- 1120 WPRX CT **Bristol** – 11/25 1745 – Giving KMOX all they could handle with Tropical/Mexican hot hits, “WPRX AM 1120” ToH ID and “Dynamica” slogan at 1800 then faded out. **(MKB-ON)**
- KMOX MO **St. Louis** – 11/23 1935 – St. Louis University basketball atop with fades, no WKAJ, WBNW or WPRX, at one time this clear channel blowtorch was heard all over the eastern USA. **(TF-NH)**
- 1150 WDEL DE **Wilmington** – 11/25 1930 – Middletown Warriors vs. Smyrna Eagles high school football game, 2004 ID “1150 AM WDEL.” **(TO-VA)**
- WSNW SC **Seneca** – 11/25 1958 – “WSNW, The Lake (didn’t sound like ‘Light’), 101.3 FM, 1150 AM” ID into news at 2000. **(TO-VA)**
- 1160 WCXI MI **Fenton** – 11/22 1700 – Over WYLL et al, “This is WCXI 1160 AM Fenton” ToH ID inserted in midst of a gospel show. **(MKB-ON)**
- WCCS PA **Homer City** – 11/23 2102 – Local ads for a sign company in Indiana, an ATV dealer in Indiana and the Indiana, PA medical center, call (724) 465-7075, local news from WCCS, AccuWeather, ID for WCCS – 101.1, into CBS Sports feed, all atop. **(TF-NH)**
-  +++ - 12/2 2001 – Fair; “You’re listening to Pitt basketball on the Pitt Panthers Radio Network.” **(BC-NH)**
- 1230 WCRO PA **Johnstown** – 12/03 0452 – Call letters that sounded like those of sister station WTRN, with mention of FM 102.9 at this time. Matched programming with internet feed. “WCRO, The Christmas Station” slogan ID at 0528. **(JW-PA)**
- 1240 WRTA PA **Altoona** – 11/23 0606 – Call sign ID with AM and FM frequencies the only readable portion of this morning’s listening. **(JW-PA)**
- WDNE WV **Elkins** – 11/26 1808 – “WDNE” ID by man, C&W songs, mention of 98.9 at 1816. **(TO-VA)**
- 1250 WPGP PA **Pittsburgh** – 11/20 2030 – Local news, ad for “Rational Bible,” “AM 1250 The Answer” slogan and “AM 1250 Pittsburgh weather,” then into religious talk show. **(TO-VA)**
- WTMA SC **Charleston** – 11/18 2258 – ID as “News talk 1250, WTMA” with FM frequency as well which I missed, into ABC news. **(TO-VA)**
- 1260 WNDE IN **Indianapolis** – 11/20 1720 – Weather from TV 59. PSA from Indianapolis Adopt a Pet. ID as “Fox Sports 1260” Strong and alone. **(HJH-PA)**
- 1270 WCBC MD **Cumberland** – 11/26 1749 – Promo for gospel show then ID by man as “...on 1270 AM and 103.1 FM, WCBC.” **(TO-VA)**
- WDLR OH **Marysville** – 11/18 2313 – “My 96.7” IDs/jingles, “All the hits from the 70s/80s/90s.” **(TO-VA)**
- WLIK TN **Newport** – 11/18 2253 – ID mentioning “The Smokies Oldies, 1270 AM and 97.9 FM, WLIK,” R&B/soul oldies program. **(TO-VA)**
- 1290 WNBF NY **Binghamton** – 12/2 2300 – Under WKBK; “This is News Radio 1290 AM WNBF Binghamton...” **(BC-NH)**
- WHKY NC **Hickory** – 12/3 0100 – Fair; “This is WHKY Hickory, 1290 AM and 102.3 FM, talk radio for the greater Hickory metro,” into Fox news. **(BC-NH)**
- WDZY VA **Colonial Heights** – 11/29 1800 – “You’re listening to radio that changes the way you live” slogan into gospel show, fighting WHIO and CJBK. **(MKB-ON)**
- +++ – 11/26 1740 – “Breaking Through” religious program, ID at 1745 as “Radio that changes the way you live, WDZY 1290 AM, 103.3 FM.” Ad for Rainbow Christian Book and Gift in Colonial Heights. **(TO-VA)**
- +++ - 12/3 0600 – Popped up over WKBK; “...translator W277CT Petersburg 103.3, you’re listening to Christian radio WDZY.” **(BC-NH)**
- CJBK ON **London** – 12/2 0059 – In a jumble of signals; “More than just the headlines, this is in-depth radio, News/Talk 1290 CJBK, online at CJBK dot com.” **(BC-NH)**
- 1300 WAVZ CT **New Haven** – 12/2 1759 – Under WJZ; ad, “...promo code WAVZ,” and ESPN. Never ID’s top of the hour, usually just dead air. **(BC-NH)**

- WJZ MD **Baltimore** – 12/2 1958 – Good; promo, “Tune into Dialogues with Chris Miller 6 to 8 p.m. Fridays on the Audacy app and WJZ 1300 AM.” (BC-NH)
- WGDJ NY **Rensselaer** – 12/3 0000 – Over/under WJZ; “This is WGDJ Rensselaer and W254DA... on Talk Radio 1300 and 98.7.” (BC-NH)
- WJMO OH **Cleveland** – 12/3 0100 – Over/under WJZ; “This is your station for the Get Up Morning Show with Erica Campbell and inspiration around the clock, WJMO Cleveland...” and translator. (BC-NH)
- 1310 WEMG NJ **Camden** – 11/21 0522 – Faint Spanish-language music, // stream. Kept listening as signal faded in and out in heavy QRM. “La Mega” slogan by man at 0536, into music. Very poor. (GL-NH)
- 1340 WTRN PA **Tyrone** – 11/18 2227 – “WTRN” ID by man into Classic rock music. (TO-VA)
- WWPA PA **Williamsport** – 11/26 1719 – Local ads, “the Twin Valley’s...Talk Radio Network” mention during talk show, ad for “Beer Here” store, local weather then ID by man at 1734 as “WILD and WWPA.” (TO-VA)
- 1360 WNJC NJ **Washington Township** – 11/26 1710 – ID by man as “Super tres sesienta,” songs in Spanish. (TO-VA)
- 1400 WSTC CT **Stamford** – 11/23 0633 – “On WSHU ... NPR news” by male-sounding voice popped out of the slop and promptly disappeared. WSHU doesn’t list WSTC on its website but [Wikipedia](#) says the station simulcasts // WSHU-1260. (GL-NH)
- WPCE VA **Portsmouth** – 11/25 0204 – Likely WPCE with garbled callsign ID at this time with Gospel music occasionally listenable. Could not match exactly to the station internet feed. Back again later in the morning after 0600. Propagation pattern seems to show a lobe due north towards Lancaster. (JW-PA)
- 1410 WDOV DE **Dover** – 11/20 1905 – “This week in 1975” then KFI show, finally bagged an ID at 2030 as “this is news radio WDOV, 1410, WDOV.com” (TO-VA)
- WHLN KY **Harlan** – 11/28 1804 – In mix of news and sports talkers with state and local news “on the Kentucky News Network.” (MKB-ON)
- +++ – 11/19 2210 – Ending song “Do You Really Want To Hurt Me” by Culture Club. Call ID and KY Network News. Fair signal. (HJH-PA)
- 1430 WYMC KY **Mayfield** – 11/29 0607 – Partial ID, “WYMC Mayfield” in jumble. New. (SC-IN)
- 1450 CHOU QC **Montreal** – 11/23 2022 – Ethnic (Arabic) music, then Arabic narration over “Your attention, please...” over a PSA in the background. Broadcasting from a railroad station? (TF-NH)
- 1460 WKAM IN **Goshen** – 12/3 0100 – Poor, over/under WTKT; “La Raza Indiana punto com,” and Mexican music. New log. (BC-NH)
- WVOX NY **New Rochelle** – 11/22 2102 – Fox News atop frequency for two minutes before fading under WOPG and others, WVOX is the only station on 1460 in this section of the country airing Fox News on the hour. (TF-NH)
- +++ - 12/1 1900 – Over/under WTKT; “America’s home of free speech... the legend of New Rochelle, 1460 WVOX New Rochelle,” and Fox news. (BC-NH)
- WHIC NY **Rochester** – 11/22 2100 – Lots of ID’s for “Stations of the Cross,” into the Holy Rosary, lost to Fox News on WVOX and EWTN feed on WOPG. (TF-NH)
- +++ - 11/27 0600 – Over WTKT and WOPG; “Thank you for listening to the Station of the Cross, WHIC Rochester, W225AR Rochester, and W257ER Greece,” into EWTN program. (BC-NH)
- WRKB NC **Kannapolis** – 11/18 2135 – C&W gospel music program, time checks after every two songs, ad for “Liberty Storage Solutions, made right here in North Carolina,” “WRKB 1460 AM, 93.7 FM” ID at 2200. (TO-VA)
- WTKT PA **Harrisburg** – 11/18 2113 – AHL hockey coverage featuring Hershey Bears vs. Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins, ads, “Fox 33 Hershey Bears hockey” promo, “Fox Sports 1460” ID at 2158. (TO-VA)
- +++ - 11/22 0600 – Good; “Harrisburg’s home for local, state, and national sports is WTKT Harrisburg and WTKT HD, Fox Sports 1460.” (BC-NH)
- WGMM PA **Tunkhannock** – 12/2 2359 – Over/under WTKT; “September” by Earth, Wind & Fire, “Gem 100 and 104” jingle, “Centerfold” by J. Geils Band. (BC-NH)
- 1470 WNYN NY **Ithaca** – 11/22 2035 – Oldies, ID’s for “Pure Oldies 94.1 and AM 1470,” unusual here at night with 1000 watt night signal directional North from four towers, a half century ago this station was WTKO, a T-40 daytimer. (TF-NH)
- WIBD WI **West Bend** – 12/4 1814 – Faded up out of the hash at 1814 with ad for a Milwaukee law firm; faded back down just as quickly. New to my log. (RJS-OH)



- 1480 WIOS MI **Tawas City-East Tawas** – 12/3 1646 – Station promo: “where Northeast Michigan comes to talk...join us on WIOS” and local ads over WHBC et al. (MKB-ON)
- 1530 WLCO MI **Lapeer** – 11/26 1714 – Wiping out WCKY with schmaltzy version of “The First Noel,” woman with “Commercial-free Christmas music only on Bridge 96.7” slogan. Yet another format flip for these guys, ex-“Real Country” C&W, “US-103.1” Classic rock, “Smile-FM” Christian. (MKB-ON)
- 1540 KXEL IA **Waterloo** – 12/4 0159 – Fair to poor, with old time radio show with “Jay Michael wishing you goodbye good luck, and good health, from Quaker Puffed Wheat and Quaker Puffed Rice, so long. This is ABC, the American Broadcasting Company.” Then some dead air followed by “News Talk 15-40, KXEL, Waterloo, Cedar Falls...” Then into Fox News. (BT-PEI)
- CHIN ON **Toronto** – 11/26 1830 – ID by woman as “Chin Radio, AM 1540” then into Hindi songs. (TO-VA)
- 1550 WNTN MA **Cambridge** – 12/1 0803 – Fighting CBEF with news by woman in Greek. At first I thought it was Portuguese, but program is presumably Grecian Echoes <https://grecianechoes.com/> (MKB-ON)
- WKBA VA **Vinton** – 11/25 2025 – C&W/bluegrass music, “Classic Country 98.1 FM” and “ClassicCountry 98.com” IDs, mention of “WBRF-FM 98.1 at 2100. (TO-VA)
- 1560 WWYC OH **Toledo** – 12/3 1700 – Presumed in dogfight with WFME, gospel talk and “CSN International” mentions. (MKB-ON)
- 1570 WWCK MI **Flint** – 11/25 1718 – In graveyard-like jumble with “K-107.3” slogan and classic rock, soon lost to WVTL-Amsterdam, NY with C&W. (MKB-ON)
- 1580 WJFK MD **Morningside** – 11/29 0700 – Talk show on the finer points and vocabulary of sports betting, annoyance with those who do not properly use the terminology, surging NFL teams on whom they would bet, etc. Started to fade by 0715. (RJS-OH)
- CKDO ON **Oshawa** – 11/26 1827 – Classic rock oldies then mention of “CKDO events...” and “CKDO.ca.” (TO-VA)
- 1590 WPIW IN **Mt. Vernon** – 11/29 1718 – Faded up out of the hash with Buck Owens’ “Streets of Bakersfield.” Back down into the mix just as quickly but did hear clear ID at 1727. (RJS-OH)
- WCSL NC **Cherryville** – 11/25 2102 – East Lincoln Mustangs vs. Kings Mountain Mountaineers high school football game live coverage, tons of local sponsors for various events in game, local ads, “WCSL AM 1590” ID at 2140, end of game at 2219 and “WCSL in Cherryville” ID. Strong signal. (TO-VA)
- WAKR OH **Akron** – 11/25 2200 – ID by man: “WAKR 93.5 FM and AM 1590” and again at 2215. (TO-VA)
- 1600 KATZ MO **St. Louis** – 11/29 1640 – Ad for Mr. Clean product then ad for Covid vaccine with stlouis.mo.gov website given. Into song “The Goodness of God,” at 1650. (RJS-OH)
- WZZW WV **Milton** – 11/28 0720 – Alone on frequency for less than a minute but long enough to confirm via // stream. Christian talk, then faded down into the hash. (RJS-OH)
- 1610 CHHA ON **Toronto** – 11/21 2358 – Under CHRN; “You are listening to CHHA 1610 AM, Radio Voces Latinas, located at 22 Wenderly Drive, Toronto, Ontario M6B 2N9, contact 416-785-0680, website www dot San Lorenzo dot ca,” then ID in Spanish and *Voces Latinas* jingle. (BC-NH)
- CHRN QC **Montreal** – 11/27 0600 – Over CHHA; “For one of the fastest growing communities in the greater Montreal area, your one and only South Asian station, this is CHRN 1610 AM. You’re listening to CHRN 1610 AM Montreal, Radio Humsafar,” and Hindi ads. (BC-NH)
- 1630 KCJJ IA **Iowa City** – 11/26 2059 – Fair; “From the Herten and Stocker studios in the heart of the Hawkeye Nation, this is the Mighty 1630 KCJJ Iowa City,” Herten and Stocker jingle, and Iowa City’s News First. (BC-NH)
- 1640 WSJP WI **Sussex** – 11/27 0100 – Fair; “Bringing Christ to the world through the media, WSJP Sussex, WSJP-FM Port Washington, W260DP Pewaukee, Relevant Radio 1640 AM, 99-9 and 100.1 FM.” (BC-NH)
- 1650 WTJZ VA **Portsmouth** – 11/27 0500 – Under CKZW; Red Eye Radio, “WJFN Goochland-Bon Air-Chester 100.5, 107.7, 92.7 FM, AM 820, and WTJZ Portsmouth AM 1650.” (BC-NH)



- CINA ON Mississauga** – 11/27 0100 – Under CKZW; Radio India jingle, announcement, and subcontinental Indian music. 12/1 2100 – Fair; “Broadcasting for the South Asian community of the GTA, this is Cina Radio,” and Cina Radio 1650 jingle. **(BC-NH)**
- CKZW QC Montreal** – 11/27 0600 – Good; ID in French, “CKZW 1650 AM Montréal,” and gospel music. 12/3 0200 – Fair; “1650 AM Montréal, vous écoutez la Radio Gospel.” **(BC-NH)**
- 1660 WWRU NJ Jersey City** – 11/27 0600 – Good; “WWRU Jersey City-New York, 1660 AM WWRU,” and Radio Korea. **(BC-NH)**
- 1670 WMGE GA Dry Branch** – 11/27 0500 – Poor, over unID TIS with CJEU off the air; “Macon BIN 1670” iHeart ID. **(BC-NH)**
- WOZN WI Madison** – 11/27 0100 – Poor, over/under WMGE with CJEU off the air; WOZN Madison ID and The Week that Was with Jody Mac on CBS Sports Radio. **(BC-NH)**
- 1680 WPRR MI Ada** – 11/20 2108 – Presumed the one here with nonstop R&B/disco music, no IDs. S8 signal at times. **(TO-VA)**
 +++ - 11/27 0501 – Over/under WTTM; “Get Off” by Foxy, a song repeated often in a rotation of continuous R&B/gospel music with no ID’s or announcements. **(BC-NH)**
- WTTM NJ Lindenwold** – 11/26 2301 – Good; “Estás escuchando 1680 AM WTTM Lindenwold-Philadelphia... La Unika 1680 AM,” and Mexican music. **(BC-NH)**
- 1690 WMLB GA Avondale Estates** – 12/3 1700 – Under WPTX; “All new Freedom AM 1690 WMLB Avondale Estates-Atlanta.” **(BC-NH)**
- WPTX MD Lexington Park** – 11/27 0601 – Over/under CHTO; “Your easy favorites, 100.7 FM and 1690 AM WPTX Lexington Park-Valley Lee-Lusby” into Fox news. **(BC-NH)**
- CHTO ON Toronto** – 11/27 0602 – Under/over WPTX; Greek music, “You’re listening to CHTO AM 1690 Toronto, visit our website at www dot AM 1690 dot ca.” **(BC-NH)**
- 1700 WJCC FL Miami Springs** – 12/1 1935 – Program in Créole with reports on latest events from Haïti, “Radio Méga” ID at 1700 by male announcer. **(TO-VA)**
 +++ - 11/26 0559 – Under WRRCR; disclaimer, “The views expressed in this program do not necessarily represent Radio Mega LLC, WJCC 1700 AM, their staff, management, or sponsors,” and ID. **(BC-NH)**
- WRRCR NY Haverstraw** – 11/27 0600 – Fair, over WJCC; jingle and ID, “AM 1700 WRRCR Haverstraw” into weather, “Radio unscripted, AM 1700 WRRCR and WRRCR dot com.” **(BC-NH)**

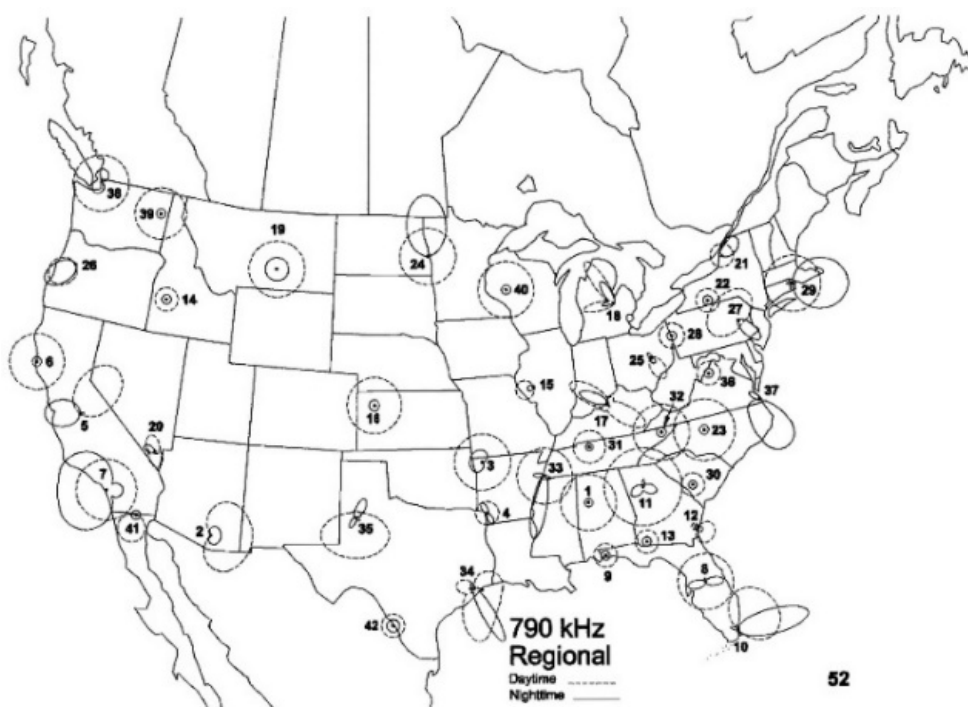
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Domestic DX Digest – West

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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 Eastern Local Time (ELT)

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- Here's a New Years resolution: send your DX to see your name in print!!

Please observe the following . . .

. . . upcoming deadlines for DDXD-West: Issue 7: December 16; Issue 8: December 30

--- REPORTERS ---

RA-CA1	René Auvray	Pomona, California	2020 Toyota Corolla caradio
RA-CA2	René Auvray	Rosemead, California	2020 Toyota Corolla caradio
NB-WI	Neil Bartlett	Verona, Wisconsin	Eton Executive Elite barefoot
SD-MN	Skip Dabelstein	KØSBV Maple Grove, Minnesota	Receivers: Icom R75 and Drake SW8 ; Antennae: Ratzlaff Active Whip and Radio Plus Quantum Loop
KDF-IL	Karl D. Forth	Chicago, Illinois	Sangean ATS-909, Sangean DT-200X
TK-FL	Terry Krueger	Niceville, Florida	Receivers: IC-R75, NRD-535, ICF-7600GR, Tescun PL-360; Antennae: active loops, random wire, misc. junk
JN-TX	James Niven	Cedar Creek, Texas	Receivers: ELAD S2, Perseus SDR with Jaguar Pro software, and Drake R8B; Antennas: DKAZ at 60°, DKAZ at 120°, DKAZ at 310° and Super KAZ at 10° <jniven@austin.rr.com>
JP-AB	Jon Pearkins	Edmonton, Alberta	CCRadio 2E barefoot on batteries
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
MT-MN	Matt Todd	Hugo, Minnesota	Receiver: Airspy HF+ Discovery; Antenna: Youloop
RV-TX	Robert Vance	El Paso, Texas	Receivers: SDRplay SDRUno, WinRadio G33DDC; Antennae: various indoor and outdoor loops
JW-CO	John Wilkins	Wheat Ridge, Colorado	Receiver: Drake R-8; Antenna: 4-foot box loop

--- NOTES FROM CANADA ---

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The week of December 5-9 should see the CRTC's release of the long awaited Revised Commercial Radio Policy, revised content categories and subcategories for radio, and revised conditions of license for commercial AM and FM radio stations in Canada.

Three months from now, New Brunswick will only have three stations left on AM. Even the CBC LPRTs have all moved to FM. The following is a list of all AM stations in New Brunswick:

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| 590 | CJCW | NB | Sussex – Directional with different patterns day and night. Power is 100 Watts day and 250 Watts at night. |
| 930 | CFBC | NB | Saint John – Non-directional with 2.0 kW days and 150 Watts at night. |
| 950 | CKNB | NB | Campbellton – "Hits 100" debuted November 14th at 0800 Atlantic Standard Time, marking the official flip to CKNB-FM at 100.7 MHz with 5.33 kW. With FM testing complete, the clock begins ticking on the three months of simulcasting before the AM transmitter is turned off for the last time. |
| 1260 | CKHJ | NB | Fredericton – CRTC approval for non-directional operation was granted in October 2020, with 10 kW day and 32 Watts at night. Two FM rebroadcasters, CKHJ-2-FM with 250 Watts on 103.5 MHz in nearby Oromocto, NB and CKHJ-1-FM with 50 Watts on 95.1 MHz in New Maryland, NB, were already in place to make up for the deepest nulls in the previous 10 kW night pattern. The former KHJ branding has been replaced with "Pure Country 103.5," based on national branding used by owner Bell Media. |

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1400 CBOF-4 ON Rolphton – This 40 Watt LPRT of CBOF-FM Ottawa is part of the CBC's ICI Radio-Canada Première, originally the CBC French AM network. The CRTC has approved its **move to FM on 98.5 MHz** with 129 Watts non-directional on the same transmitter site. It is not stated in the CRTC decision whether the usual three month AM-FM simulcast will occur once the FM transmitter has completed its test phase.

1650 CKZW QC Montreal – The CRTC has promised a decision during the week of December 5-9 on the purchase of the station by Communications Média Évangélique. CKZW is also known as CJRS, even by the CRTC, as those were the call letters used by the former Radio Chalom Hebrew programming on 1650 in Montreal.

What's up with CFAJ? The following article appeared on SOWNY.net (Southern Ontario/Western New York), by member 'RadioActive,' concerning CFAJ-1220 St. Catharines, Ontario:

CFAJ started back on April 20, 2016, when the CRTC released its decision about a proposed new AM station on 1220 AM in St. Catharines, replacing the shuttered CHSC. It took a while, but a post on SOWNY on February 11, 2020, revealed that someone had heard a test signal for the first time from the newcomer. A lot of people wondered then who would think a mono all-oldies station on a relatively weak signal from the Niagara area was a good idea, but the CRTC gave it the go-ahead in any case.

Since then, CFAJ has gone into what has to be the longest testing mode in the history of broadcasting. We are now just under two years and counting from that first day, and still nothing about what's going on at the place. I listened to them non-stop for about an hour on Saturday, just to see what they were up to. Sure enough, it remains a wall-to-wall jukebox, with no news, no weather, no announcers beyond apparently sole employee Peter Borberly reading pre-recorded liners and perhaps, the real troublesome sign – not a single paid spot or show. Not one in two years. I think I've heard the occasional PSA but they don't pay the bills. And there surely must be bills.

Even with nothing but automation software running, they have to pay the electricity bill to keep the equipment and the transmitter running. And they certainly have to fork over money to SOCAN and others to play the music. Plus, they owe a few grand to help pay for Canadian content.

Their moribund webpage lists the songs they've played (it's the only way to find out, since there's no on-air identification) and does have what looks to be auto-filled news entries, but there's very little else there. (In fact, while they have had an un-updated Facebook page for more than a year, their other links to Twitter, Instagram, YouTube and Google+ simply lead back to the original website.)

So my question: how is this station still on the air after two years without, presumably, making a single cent? It's baffling to me, especially if you look at what they promised the CRTC six years ago, when they got the licence: "The station . . . would broadcast 126 hours of locally-produced programming each broadcast week, including two hours of news, weather and sports. In addition to local, regional, national and some international news, the station would offer community-focused programming, such as weather and traffic reports, community billboards and talk shows promoting local events from charities and not-for-profit groups, for a total of 10 hours and 25 minutes of spoken word programming each week."

Not only have all of those promises seemingly gone by the wayside, they barely have 60 minutes of spoken word programming in an entire week. And those are the endlessly repeating liners. They give out an email address for "your questions and concerns" but never answer them. (At least mine have gone unanswered for months.) A provided phone number (with a 416 area code no less, which is not St. Catharines) gives you a recording asking you to leave a message and promising a reply which never comes.

Some have suggested this is a tax write-off for the owners and I have no idea if that's true. Either way, something has to give. According to the CRTC, the license, awarded so long ago, was up for renewal last August. Still nothing. I'm presuming they must have gotten an extension. But to paraphrase the old Ace hit (which they might even play someday) "How Long" (Can This Keep Going On)?

If anyone knows what's up with this place, please spill the details here on SOWNY. This is one of the strangest local radio circumstances I can ever recall.

The Facebook page 'Canadian Radio News' by Dan Sys provides much of the information for this column.

--- U.S. STATION NEWS ---

870 KFJZ TX Fort Worth – 12/02 1800 – Top-of-Hour with male giving ID as: "KFJZ 8-70 AM Fort Worth-Dallas, kah eh-feh jota zeta ochoa-setenta am, KHFX 11-40 AM Cleburne-Dallas-Fort Worth, kah ah-cheh eh-feh eh-kees once-cuarenta am, **Radio Libertad** ...," so appears to be no longer Radio Vida. **New slogan.** Fair-to-Good signal. Relog. (JN-TX)



1140 KHFX TX Cleburne – 12/02 1800 – Top-of-Hour with male giving ID as “KFJZ 8-70 AM Fort Worth-Dallas, kah eh-feh jota zeta ochoa-setenta am, KHFX 11-40 AM Cleburne-Dallas-Fort Worth, kah ah-cheh eh-feh eh-kees once-cuarenta am, **Radio Libertad ...**,” so appears to be no longer Radio Vida. **New slogan.** Fair-to-Good signal. Relog. (JN-TX)

--- UNID ---

- 690 unID – 12/2 0800 – Very poor, out of nowhere, with “. . . and AM 1600 WG??” into possible REL. The “. . . and AM 1600” was very clear. Stumped in South Milwaukee. (JJR-WI)
- 800 unID – 11/23 0617 – Bubbled up with male-voiced liner mentioning “W--- Classic Rock, 103 (something) FM” then vanished. Nothing I find fits here. (TK-FL)
- 1440 unID – 12/2 0720-0725 – With SS! . . . which, of course, was lost. My guess: KTUV-AR, but who knows. Will try again tomorrow. (JJR-WI)
- 1580 unID – 11/29 0330 – Slow, nonstop Spanish Christian praise vocals, brief silence at top-of-hour, but any ID not cutting through. Not parallel ‘Radio Fe’ stream so not a cheating WJXO. Pointing E/W, so suspect KIRT Mission, Texas on 1000 Watts day power, but no functioning stream to compare to. Strong WCCF Punta Gorda co-channel, so they no doubt are cheating at 1250 Watts day power. (TK-FL)
- 1600 unID – 11/15 1926-1927 – An unknown station, playing Mexican music (possibly Ranchera) tried to take over KAHZ Pomona. KAHZ was firm; the unID faded away. Any clues? (RA-CA1)

--- DX LOGGINGS ---

Due to unknown circumstances, these loggings from John Wilkins were lost in Internet-land and should have appeared in Issue 5. “Quite a wide swath of territory covered here – from Arkansas to Michigan to Oregon and points in between. Life is good.” – JW

- 1140 KZMQ WY Greybull – 11/9 0700 – A Bob Seger song, then Legal ID at 0701 and “Good Time Oldies” slogan. Fair signal – supposed to be a Daytimer. (JW-CO)
- 1260 KKOO ID Weiser – 11/6 0800 – Legal ID: “KKOO Weiser-Boise, K268CU Nampa . . . 101.5 Kool FM” followed by “I Heard it Through the Grapevine” and other Oldies. Heard ads later so they’re not commercial-free. Good peaks, sounding like full day power well before sunrise. A needed call change here, **ex-KTRP.** (JW-CO)
- 1290 KUMA OR Pendleton – 11/10 0829 – “Local news from people you can trust – this is News Radio FM 96-5 – 1290 KUMA” and into Fox News. Fair with QRM. (JW-CO)
- 1320 KWHN AR Fort Smith – 11/11 0746 – “KWHN Weather Update,” followed by ID as “News Talk 1320 KWHN” and mentioning kwhn.com. Fair in QRM. (JW-CO)
- 1320 WILS MI Lansing – 11/11 0732 – State news, then sports at 0736, beginning with state football playoff results. Several call letter IDs and “More Compelling Talk” slogans. Briefly fair. (JW-CO)
- 1380 KLIZ MN Brainerd – 11/11 0758 – Presumed, with “Your home for Vikings football KFXN 100.3 Minneapolis-St. Paul, The Fan,” then into sports talk. Fair with QRM and fades. (JW-CO)
- 1410 KOOQ NE North Platte – 11/14 0854 – A mix of a few well-known Christmas songs and many obscure ones. “North Platte’s Christmas Station – Reindeer Radio 98.1.” Generally Fair. (JW-CO)
- 1470 KHND ND Harvey – 11/10 0656 – Winter storm update and Legal ID at 0659: “We are The Mix 1470 KHND and K258DT 99.5 FM Harvey, powered by Patzer Truck Repair – a name you can trust” and into morning news on “Good Day Dakota” on the KX network, beginning with a winter storm warning. Fair, and on top for a while, mixing later with KKTY. (JW-CO)
- 1630 KFBU WY Fox Farm – 11/11 0900 – ‘Your Network of Praise’ multi-station (about 30) ID, including KFBU. 0901: SRN News; 0903: “Good News Verse” (Romans 12), then mostly music. Fair-to-Good. **Ex-KVAM.** (JW-CO)



Now on to the DX loggings for this Issue . . .

- 560 KWTO MO Springfield – 11/17 2025 – In the mix with Missouri State women’s basketball vs Oklahoma State on the Missouri State Radio Basketball network. (RV-TX)
- 570 CKGL ON Kitchener – 11/21 0807 – Poor, with “City News” mention, weather: (minus 16°C, and “City News Time, 8:07.” No WNAX! (JJR-MI)

- 580 KSAZ AZ Marana – 11/17 0642 – With SS Contemporary Christian music with a few “Nuevo Radio Casa” splitter IDs, and talk about station programming. (RV-TX)
- 580 WILL IL Urbana – 11/28 1849 – ‘All Things Considered’ from NPR Radio. (SD-MN)
- 580 WIBW KS Topeka – 11/17 2025 – With Kansas State men’s basketball vs Kansas City on the K-State Sports Network. (RV-TX)
- 580 CFRA ON Ottawa – 12/2 0805 – Morning News with ID slogan: “News, Talk 580, CFRA.” (SD-MN)
- 590 KSUB UT Cedar City – 11/9 0734 – Faded up from the mix with an ID: “. . . from the (unintelligible) studios, Talkradio 107-7 and 590, KSUB.” and then ‘Coast-to-Coast.’ (RV-TX)
- 610 WPLO GA Grayson – 12/4 0056 – Vocal and instrumental SS music into TOH ID: “WPLO Grayson-Atlanta, Musica Bonita.” (SD-MN)
- 650 CKOM SK Saskatoon – 12/2 0808 – Poor, with area temps, “Minus 29^c in Saskatoon.” Alone. (JJR-WI)
- 660 WMIC MI Sandusky – 11/26 0826 – Very poor, with mention of “36 degrees,” then talk of Michigan road conditions, and snow. Under WBHR. No calls heard. (JJR-MI)
- 660 CFFR AB Calgary – 11/25 0811 – With weather: “High: 10; low: minus 4 . . . from the City News Business Centre.” Very poor through others. (JJR-MI)
- 670 KHGZ AR Glenwood – 12/3 1803 – Arkansas University basketball post-game with ID: “Broadcasting from the Cedo River in Arkansas, we are Real Country, Cedo Country, 98.9 FM and 670 AM.” (SD-MN)
- 690 KFXN MN Minneapolis – 12/2 0757 – Poor, with music, then man and woman chatter, a possible ad, then lost to others. Rare. (JJR-WI)
- 690 WZAP VA Bristol – 12/3 0732 – Poor, “Playing your favorite Southern Gospel songs for over 40 years- we are the Southern Gospel Legend, 93-3 . . .” (JJR-WI)
- 730 KYVA MT Billings – 11/17 0739 – Oldies music and “Good Times and Great Oldies . . . 98.1 K-Bear” slogans. Partially readable legal ID at 0800:30. Generally poor, with reception spotty. (JW-CO)
- 740 KCBS CA San Francisco – 11/25 0800 – With a big signal over KTRH, with female giving ID as: “When you need to know, KCBS-AM, KFRC-FM, and HD1, San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, an Audacity station.” Relog. (JN-TX)
- 740 WDGY WI Hudson – 11/26 0823 – WDGY jingle between tunes by KC & The Sunshine Band and The Turtles. Poor, with CFZM in back. (JJR-MI)
- 740 CKZM ON Toronto – 12/2 0358 – Edison Lighthouse with ‘Love Grows (Where My Rosemary Grows)’ and other oldies, “Zoomer Radio” slogan, spot for the ‘Livingston Art Centre.’ (TK-FL)
- 780 WJAG NE Norfolk – 11/23 0803 – With “WJAG” jingle and mention of ‘105.9 FM,’ then local news. Very poor in WBBM null. First time this season. (JJR-MI)
- 790 WNIS VA Norfolk – 11/28 2150 – Rough through WKRD – ‘Dan Bongino Show’ pause, with ads for ‘Mason and Associates Financial Advisors,’ ‘Men’s Wellness Centers,’ and ‘Reynolds Empower Home Realtors.’ (SD-MN)
- 800 WJAT GA Swainsboro – 11/23 0535 – ‘The Rick & Bubba Show’ with callers praising the creepy pillow guy and speaking in double-negatives, demonstrating their level of education. Parallel station stream. (TK-FL)
- 800 WSVS VA Crewe – 11/29 0417 – C&W, then man: “All the hits . . .” parallel station stream, though very delayed. (TK-FL)
- 800 CHAB SK Moose Jaw – 12/2 0753 – “See Santa Claus in Moose Jaw, Town & Country Mall.” Poor, but alone and steady. (JJR-WI)
- 810 KLVZ CO Brighton – 11/7 2000 – With 60s hits (The Monkees). Full ID at 2003: “KLVZ and KLVZ-HD, Brighton. KLVZ FM on 94-3 and 95-3, and streaming at legends953.com.” This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a song about America, then back to CHR oldies. (RV-TX)
- 810 WHB MO Kansas City – 11/28 2150-2203 – Alone on the frequency with end of Kansas Jayhawks Basketball game. (NB-WI)
- 840 KVJY TX Pharr – 11/15 2055 – With light instrumental and SS inspirational music. Multi-station ID in SS for ‘Radio Aleluya’ at Top-of-Hour that included this station. ‘Radio Aleluya’ variations were used as splitter IDs a few times. (RV-TX)
- 880 KLRG AR Sheridan – 11/29 1742 – Poor, with three hard Rock songs and lost. No WCBS. Assumed. (JJR-WI)
- 880 WMEQ WI Menominee – 11/30 0806 – Poor, with WRFD faded out. “WMEQ” noted into ‘America in the Morning.’ (JJR-WI)



- 900 WKDA TN Lebanon – 11/30 0705 – Poor, with “. . . in mid-Tennessee for over 100 years” in an ad. “. . . you’re waking up to Real Country in the morning.” Of course, no calls. (JJR-WI)
- 910 KCJB ND Minot – 11/24 0811 – Poor, with “91 Classic Country KCJB” between songs. No usual WFDF (JJR-MI)
- 920 WBAA IN Lafayette – 11/20 2005 – Poor, but distinctive “. . . this is NPR” out of nowhere. With others. The only fit. WMPL with Open Carrier, or OFF! (JJR-MI)
- 920 KYFRt IA Shenandoah – 11/20 2029 – Clear “YFR” after REL programming. Unneeded, but rare. Very poor – and tentative. (JJR-MI)
- 920 WMPL MI Hancock – 11/20 2000 – Legal ID was only thing that worked! Otherwise 13+ hours of Open Carrier, or off (that I know of.) Yikes! Poor, while nulled. (JJR-MI)
- 920 KWAD MN Wadena – 11/20 2053 – Poor, with ads for ‘Staples’ and ‘True Value,’ followed by weather and “. . . mornings at 8 on KDHL.” WMPL with Open Carrier, or OFF! (JJR-MI)
- 920 KKLS SD Rapid City – 11/17 0714 – Coming in and out of the mix, with C&W music and a few variations of the “All-new Cowboy 104.7” splitter IDs. Caught again on 11/17 at 1901 with ID: “Live from downtown, KKLS, Rapid City; K284BA. Brought to you by HomeSlice,” then back into a C&W song. **New one here.** Local KQBU falling silent and the demise of KLMR, has opened this channel up for me with five new stations in the past few months. (RV-TX)
- 920 WOKY WI Milwaukee – 11/20 2000 – Poor, with “. . . home for NFL football,” a Legal ID and “I Heart” mention. WMPL with either Open Carrier, or OFF! (JJR-MI)
- 920 CFRY MB Portage-la-Prairie – 11/20 2000 – Poor, with Legal ID, “Golden West” mention, and Sunday night REL programming. WMPL off. (JJR-MI)
- 920 CKNX ON Wingham – 11/20 2034 – Poor, with “. . . home for . . . Country music – CKNX.” WMPL OFF or nullable Open Carrier. (JJR-MI)
- 940 WYLD LA New Orleans – 12/1 0113 – Upbeat Gospel Music with ID as “Hallelujah 940 WYLD” into promo for a WYLD Christmas Wish contest. Those interested were asked to go to AM940.com and use key word “wish.” (SD-MN)
- 940 KSWM MO Aurora – 12/1 0304 – Weather by a female announcer into ID: “You’re listening to AM 940 KSWM Aurora, MO.” (SD-MN)
- 950 KXJK AR Forrest City – 11/25 1759 – With classic song ‘Feel Like Making Love’ by Bad Company. Fair-to-Good signal on the frequency. Male gives ID as: “Hometown Radio AM 950 and FM 106.5, KXJK Forrest City, Marianna,” then back into music. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 960 KLTF MN Little Falls – 12/2 0705 – Poor, with Minnesota and Little Falls news stories. Still in 90 minutes later! No WSBT all morning! (JJR-WI)
- 960 KZIM MO Cape Girardeau – 12/2 1922 – Pause in Mark Levin show with ad for ‘Medicare 65+’ followed by promo for ‘EBO Christmas Contest’ with entries to be sent to KZIMKSIM.com. and PSA for ‘Missouri High School Sports.’ (SD-MN)
- 970 WKCI VA Waynesboro – 12/3 1833 – Fox News followed by John Upshaw with Weather from the Virginia News Network, then a spot for ‘O’Reilly Auto Parts’ and ID: “News Radio 107 FM, WKCY.” I wondered if there was a call change, but it appears that is the call for an affiliate, so there must have been some simulcasting. (SD-MN) [Their ‘network’ appears to be: WKCY-1300 + W300CN 107.9, and WKCI-970 – BH]
- 970 WDUL WI Superior – 11/25 0831 – Very poor, though “Hot 98” vs talk on other stations got me. Ad for something in South Superior, with 715 area code. (JJR-MI)
- 980 WTEM DC Washington – 11/30 0737 – Poor (and still in 25 minutes later), with “NBC Sports Washington” and “All other DC Sports radio . . .” Then the ‘Audacy app.’ Not heard in a while. Local hosts. (JJR-WI)
- 980 WPPF WI Park Falls – 11/26 0853 – Poor, with songs by Aerosmith and Meat Loaf. “Jack FM,” then lost to KKMS Richfield, Minnesota. (JJR-MI)
- 1000 KNWN WA Seattle – 11/20 0722 – In null of local XEFV with ‘IRG Health Talk.’ “Northwest News Radio” local weather at 0735 then back to ‘IRG Health Talk.’ (RV-TX)
- 1010 CBR AB Calgary – 11/25 0806 – Poor- CBC content, Soccer, ‘Norwest Territories’ mentions. Sounder @ :30. Poor/weak, with others. (JJR-MI)
- 1030 KVOI AZ Cortaro – 11/22 0653 – With ‘The Dennis Prager Show,’ station promos, local weather, then ID at TOH: “. . . on AM 10-30, KVOI Cortaro-Tucson, The Voice. Online at kvoi.com” and followed by CBS News. (RV-TX)



- 1030 KCTA TX Corpus Christi – 11/20 0226-0232 – Tentative to the SE with female choral music followed by instrumentals across the bottom of the hour without an ID, thanks to WBZ fading from very strong signal in KTWO null 0221-0226. Has me rethinking my 11/3 0606 reception, as KCTA on early with religious male talk in a mix with CBS Sports Radio and KTWO, given my understanding that they are licensed to operate from Corpus Christi sunrise until Boston sunset. (JP-AB) [During my visits to south Texas, I note KCTA can be heard solidly 24 hours. They have been getting away with this . . . forever! – BH]
- 1040 WPBS GA Conyers – 12/3 0723 – Poor, but dominating WHO for several minutes, with Vietnamese programming. (JJR-WI)
- 1040 KGGR TX Dallas – 11/25 0123-0128 – Overpowering WHO, with Black Gospel music. Verified from the station’s web stream. Listed as daytime only, plus critical hours. (NB-WI)
- 1040 KGGR TX Dallas – 11/27 0640 – With Black Gospel music, station promo for ‘Rush Hour’ program with Pastor Earl “. . . on Great Gospel Radio, 10-40 AM, KGGR,” then back to music. (RV-TX)
- 1060 CKMX AB Calgary – 11/25 0200 – With comedy programming, female giving ID as: “Calgary’s Funny 1060” then back into more comedy. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 1080 WOAP MI Owasso – 11/20 0817 – Poor, but SS cut through! At 0820: ‘LaPonderosa’ slogan. KYMN usually here. (JJR-MI)
- 1110 WGNZt OH Fairborn – 12/3 0715 – Christian music, Town Hall News at 0715, faded out, but in later. Poor, but no KFAB. (JJR-WI)
- 1130 KTMR TX Converse – 11/17 0741 – With SS morning show with regional Mexican songs interspersed by longer periods of the male announcer speaking with the same background music played over and over. SS ID followed by EE ID at 0757: “This is 92.5 FM K223CT Adkins, Texas, and KTMR 11-30 AM, Converse-San Antonio.” Also a few mentions of a “Con sabor a Mexico” (With a taste of Mexico) branding. (RV-TX)
- 1140 WVVO FL Orlando – 11/29 0540 – Very nice Cuban-DR style salsa, parallel station stream. Heavily-accented man with ID Top-of-Hour, into presumed morning show bantering in Spanish. (TK-FL)
- 1140 CHRB AB High River – 11/25 0802 – “AM 1140” and “High River RCMP” in newscast. Alone. First time this season. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- 1150 WEAQ WI Chippewa Falls – 11/25 0801 – Urban/Top40 and “95-9 Jamz.” Poor – no WHBY until later. (JJR-MI)
- 1180 WKCE TN Knoxville – 11/30 0730 – “WKCE Knoxville” jingle, Beach Boys song, “Mid-Century Radio, WKCEradio.com 1180 & 105.1 WKCE.” Poor, with WHAM gone. (JJR-WI)
- 1180 KGOL TX Humble – 12/2 0738 – Poor, but steady, replacing WHAM. Softer SS song. Slogan at 0738. Expecting “La Jefa” in Alabama. Not! Noted in ‘87 and sporadic since then. Nice hearing. (JJR-WI)
- 1200 WRTO IL Chicago – 11/28 0758 – World Cup talk from TuDN Network. Dual legal ID at 0800:40: “WRTO-AM and WOJO . . . Evanston-Chicago – 1200 AM TuDN Radio,” then back to sports talk. Fair signal, and alone for a while in WOAI null. (JW-CO)
- 1210 WILY IL Centralia – 12/3 0831 – Very poor, with ‘Na Na Hey Hey’ by Steam (1969), and “Super Hits WILY” jingle. Not heard in a while. (JJR-WI)
- 1210 KHAT WY Laramie – 11/15 0810 – Battling with KGYN with C&W music, local and regional weather at 0825, and plenty of “New Country 96-7” splitter IDs. (RV-TX)
- 1220 KMVL TX Madisonville – 11/7 2023 – Caught ID announcement in a mix: “This is Leon Hunt saying thanks for joining every day . . . on 1220 AM and 98.9 FM, KMVL.” Leon Hunt is the station owner, per its website. Heard again on 11/15 at 1940 in XEB null with Easy Listening and AC oldies. Branding as “America’s Best Music.” (RV-TX)
- 1220 CFAJ ON St. Catharines – 11/26 0810 – ‘Westbound #9’ by the Flaming Embers (‘70), and “Classic 1220.” Poor, but alone. (JJR-MI)
- 1230 KINO AZ Winslow – 11/7 2010 – With C&W music. ID at 2015: “Your radio station for local news, sports, and weather, KINO,” then back into music. (RV-TX)
- 1240 KRDO CO Colorado Springs – 11/20 0758 – Popped up with station promo: “. . . on Newsradio 105.5 FM and 1240 AM, and 92.5 FM.” Caught full ID at Top-of-Hour. (RV-TX)
- 1230 WFER MI Iron River – 11/28 0805 -Poor, with “Iron County’s Own – WFER” and C&W. An indicator of how BAD this DX day was! Normally never heard, despite its closeness. (JJR-MI)



- 1240 KDLR ND Devils Lake – 11/24 0841 – “. . . in Devils Lake. The Country Legends . . . since 1925! KDLR” into Country music. Poor. (JJR-MI)
- 1250 WJMK MI Bridgeport – 11/20 0815 – Very poor, with slower Smokey Robinson song, ‘Me TV-FM’ music. WSSP weak today. (JJR-MI)
- 1250 CHSM MB Steinbach – 11/23 0942 – Replacing KBRF, with “Temperatures across Canada . . .” and “AM 1250.” Poor, but now alone. (JJR-MI)
- 1260 KDLF IA Boone – 11/16 0801 – Mexican music to 0803 legal ID: “KDLF Boone – Des Moines” spoken slowly. News may have followed but not sure. Heard later with more SS music and “La Reina” slogans. (JW-CO)
- 1270 KTFI ID Twin Falls – 11/16 2059 – Program by Tim Hoffman commenting about radio personality Dave Ramsey. Call ID, mentioning simulcasting on FM. QRM. First time in Pomona. (RA-CA2)
- 1270 WCGC NC Belmont – 11/30 0658 – Poor, with ‘Pledge Drive’ for ‘Carolina Catholic Media, ??? Christian Voice.’ Steady. Thought it was new, but not: logged in 2004. Rare. (JJR-WI)
- 1270 WLIK TN Newport – 12/3 0704 – Poor, with an ad for ‘Rocket Mortgage,’ a “WLIK Weather” jingle, another jingle for “Smokey’s Oldies -WLIK,” and into a Herman’s Hermits song. Alone. (JJR-WI)
- 1280 KZNS UT Salt Lake City – 11/17 1955 – With local weather followed by local Sports program with announcers discussing the Utah Jazz uniforms and an ad for ED treatment at Wasatch Medical Clinic. Faded back up at 2004 with a promo for Utah football “. . . right here on 97-5 the KSL Sports Zone.” (RV-TX)
- 1290 WCBL KY Benton – 11/25 2259 – Noted fairly Good conditions to the northeast this evening, with WIRL and WHKY heard earlier at good levels as well. I was rewarded with this station with Barry White’s “Never, Never Going To Give You Up,” then male with canned ID as: “. . . talk, great Oldies 991 WCBL . . .” Fair signal. New, for Kentucky # 8. (JN-TX)
- 1290 WHKY NC Hickory – 11/28 1800 – Dominating with ‘AM-FM 102.3’ ID, “First Talk” program mention, funniestman.com ad and into Fox News. (KDF-IL)
- 1290 KRGE TX Weslaco – 11/9 2015 – With SS Christian music. “Estas escuchando Radio Vida” announcement at 2026 that also mentioned location in Weslaco, Texas, but no call letters heard. Then back to music. (RV-TX)
- 1300 KGLO IA Mason City – 11/29 0859 – Ad for ‘Zip Recruiters,’ legal ID at 0859:50: “For news, weather, farm and sports – you can depend on AM 1300 KGLO Mason City and online at kgloam.com,” followed by CBS News. Fair. (JW-CO)
- 1300 WLXG KY Lexington – 11/29 1800 – Poor, with Legal ID into Sports, which was lost quickly. (JJR-WI)
- 1320 WKAN IL Kankakee – 11/29 2135 – Poor, with female announcer reading Station ID then fades. All-time new log. (MT-MN)
- 1320 KOZY MN Grand Rapids – 11/24 0833 – Poor, with Minnesnowta News Network news, then “. . . Car Quest in Grand Rapids.” Then ABC Sports/Rich Kantu. No WILS. (JJR-MI)
- 1320 KHRT ND Minot – 11/24 0835 – SRN Sports, then “. . . the KHRT giving . . .” after KOZY faded. Poor, but no WILS. (JJR-MI)
- 1330 WBGW IN Evansville – 11/30 0755 – Poor, with end of ‘Grace to You.’ Stream program matched. Alone. (JJR-WI)
- 1340 KRMD LA Shreveport – 11/24 0700 – With male giving ID as: “. . . KRMD Shreveport, K264AS Mooringsport, a Cumulus Media station, your official Christmas music station,” then back into Christmas music. Fair signal. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 1340 KDLM MN Detroit Lakes – 11/25 0822 – Poor, with weather jingle, mention of ‘Detroit Lakes’ and calls into morning chatter. (JJR-MI)
- 1340 KRBT MN Eveleth – 11/24 0800 – Very poor, but breaking through with “Your home for sports: KRBT Eveleth-Virginia, then lost. (JJR-MI)
- 1340 KIJVt SD Huron – 11/24 2032 – Justin Bieber’s ‘Peaches,’ with others (C&W, talk, sports). This is my guess as to what was heard. Have heard before, at greater length. Very poor and very tentative. (JJR-MI)
- 1340 WLOK TN Memphis – 11/21 – I was monitoring 1340 when male was heard at 1859 with “FM 105/AM 1340 WLOK, Memphis and worldwide on WLOK.com,” then canned message: “It’s about time for views and opinions expressed on . . . management and staff of WLOK Radio.” Fair signal, then gone. New, for Tennessee # 33. (JN-TX)
- 1350 WAUN WI Portage – 11/30 0657 – Poor-to-fade out. But in later with “WAUN- a-Rock 96-1 and 102-1” slogan. (JJR-WI)

- 1360 KMJM IA Cedar Rapids – 11/29 2141 – Very Poor, with ‘Rockin Around the Christmas Tree.’ Not sure which version but not the original, then “Get your Christmas spirit here AM 13–60 KMJM Cedar Rapids.” **All time new log. (MT-MN)**
- 1360 KSCJ IA Sioux City – 11/29 2138 – Very Poor, with Iowa vs. Georgia college basketball. Heaving fading. Assumed: only Hawkeye’s affiliate listed on frequency. **All time new log. (MT-MN)**
- 1360 KKBJ MN Bemidji – 11/27 0714 – Very poor, with an ad for the ‘Bemidji Sports Center’ on Hwy 71, followed by the weather, and “Talk Radio AM 1360 KKBJ.” No WTAQ. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1370 KSUM MN Fairmont – 11/29 2119 – Poor, with music that sounds like Christmas music, then a Station ID, then commercials referencing Fairmont, then weather: high tomorrow 21. **(MT-MN)**
- 1370 KWTL ND Grand Forks – 11/30 0830 – EWTN’s ‘Sonrise Morning Show’ and news. Promo at 0847 for ‘Real Presence Radio.’ Poor, but no WSPD. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1380 KOTA SD Rapid City – 11/24 0907 – With ad for “K-2” TV (// KCLO). “News Radio KOTA on 1380 and 100.7 FM” into Christmas music special. Very poor, but alone and steady. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1390 WGRB IL Chicago – 11/29 2130 – Poor, with Gospel music repeating the lyric “Glory to God” // internet stream. **All time new log. (MT-MN)**
- 1390 KBEC TX Waxahachie – 11/13 0625 – With C&W music. Station promo for ‘Cowboy Corner’ program “. . . on Classic Texas Country, KBEC,” then more music. **(RV-TX)**
- 1400 KEYL MN Long Prairie – 11/24 0822 – Poor, with “Albany Recycling #320-845-2727” (the phone number said three times! Easily through WCCY. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1400 KCOW NE Alliance – 11/26 0828 – Christmas music, local ads, call letter IDs, and “Reindeer Radio” slogans. Signal up and down in the mix. **(JW-CO)**
- 1400 KTEM TX Temple – 11/11 2030 – Faded up, coming out of The Dave Ramsey Show, with ad for a holiday event at the Mayborn Convention Center in Temple, followed by Fox News, then faded back down. No call heard but the programming, plus the local ad, indicated this station. **New one here. (RV-TX)**
- 1410 KLFD MN Litchfield – 11/25 0929 – “Saturday on the newscast at noon, on KLFD” Very poor, though no WIZM. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1410 KDKT ND Beulah – 11/21 0916 – Weak, but clear and alone, with ‘Dan Patrick.’ No WIZM. Assumed. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1420 KBHS AR Hot Springs – 11/25 0000 – With Spanish male vocals, then male: “La Caliente, KBHS 14-20 AM, 106.3 FM. Hot Springs’ first Spanish radio station K292HG 106.3.” Fair signal. **Relog. (JN-TX)**
- 1420 KJCK KS Junction City – 11/25 – I found this station at the end of my Top-of-Hour recording at 2005 coming out of a song, then female gives ID as: “. . . 107.9 and 14-20 KJCK,” then back into more music. In briefly, with Poor-to-Fair signal. **New, for Kansas # 31. (JN-TX)**
- 1420 KPEL LA Lafayette – 11/25 2100 – With call letters and mentions ‘Lafayette’ in the jumble. Fair. **Relog. (JN-TX)**
- 1420 KWBF TX Lubbock – 11/25 2300 – With religious music. Female gives ID as: “You’re listening to Walking by Faith Radio 98.7 FM K254TI, 14-20 AM KWBF Lubbock, Texas, the local . . . station,” then into religious music. Fair-to-Good signal. **Relog. (JN-TX)**
- 1430 KRGI NE Grand Island – 11/25 0942 – Very poor, with “AM 1430 and 105.5 FM,” a promo for a football broadcast, then ABC Sports with Rich Kantu. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1430 KRGI NE Grand Island – 11/27 0856 – “. . . on AM 1430 KRGI” into ‘Hold On,’ by Wilson-Phillips (1990). Very poor, but atop. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1430 WPLN TN Madison – 11/30 0844 – Poor, with BBC mentions and chatter, with talk of stores, goods, shopping trends. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1430 CHKT ON Toronto – 11/20 1802-1809 – Strong with what sounded like Vietnamese-language programming. Mostly talk. **(NB-WI)**
- 1440 KCHE IA Cherokee – 11/21 1955 – Even with local KYCR, with Pregame show for High School basketball game between ‘Cherokee Braves’ and ‘Sioux City West Wolverines.’ Ad for ‘North Star Community Credit Union’ followed by “Thank you for sponsorship” messages from both the boys and girls coaches into Top-of-Hour ID: “This is Braves’ Girls Basketball on 1440 KCHE.” **(SD-MN)**



- 1450 KSIG LA Crowley – 11/15 1800 – With nice, clear and loud signal with music by Bruce Hornsby and The Range, then female with canned ID as: “This is KSIG 14-50 K236CW Crowley, Lafayette, Sunny 95.1, is relaxing life-saver listen on the 95.1 app, mysunny951.com or sunny 95.1.” Relog. (JN-TX)
- 1450 WNBY MI Newberry – 11/25 1917 – “Outdoor Magazine, Saturday Morning on 1450 WNBY.” Very poor, creeping over others. (JJR-MI)
- 1450 KATE MN Albert Lea – 11/24 0900 – Very poor, with Legal ID for AM and their FM translator into news. In a mess. (JJR-MI)
- 1450 KBUN MN Bemidji – 11/22 2017 – Very poor, though clear in fade up. Ad for First National Bank of ????, then “ESPN Radio – The Bun, into ESPN. First time this season. (JJR-MI)
- 1450 WROX MS Clarksdale – 11/21 – I saw where Rick Dau in Nebraska heard WROX this evening, so thought I would check it out and see if it made it into Central Texas. Noted at 1908 with Classic Oldies. ‘Slow Ride’ by Foghat found matching their web stream. It was not in long but am adding to the logbook. Poor-to-Fair signal. **New, for Mississippi # 22.** (JN-TX)
- 1450 KWBE NE Beatrice – 11/24 – I noted the ending of ‘Rock the Casbah’ by The Clash at 0827 all alone on the frequency. Male and female come on “. . . 14-50 AM ... 94.7 ... KWBE,” then female with commercial for ‘Chi Health Nebraska,’ phone number given as “402-328-1587,” followed by The Eagles with ‘Witchy Woman.’ Not a bad signal for 530 Watts. **New for Nebraska # 16.** (JN-TX) [Don’t let that 530 Watts fool you. Their 328-foot tall tower more than makes up for their ‘low’ power – BH]
- 1450 KZZJ ND Rugby – 11/22 2006 – Very poor through the end of CBS News, then weather ending with “. . . for Rugby Broadcasters . . .” cutting through. “KZZJ 1450 AM – 92.1 FM” and into Country music. (JJR-MI)
- 1450 KWHW OK Altus – 11/24 0700 – Finishing a Country song. Call letters were noted. Fair signal. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 1450 KGFF OK Shawnee – 11/24 0728 – With Classic Rock . . . Queen and The Pointer Sisters. Call letters heard in between songs. Fair signal. Relog. (JN-TX)
- 1450 WDLB WI Marshfield – 11/27 2016 – Just heard the “DLB” between Al Green, Billy Joel songs. Very poor. (JJR-MI)
- 1460 WKAM IN Goshen – 11/27 2157 – Poor, with Spanish-language pop-style music. “La Raza” liner. Matched internet stream. **All time new log.** (MT-MN)
- 1460 KXNO IA Des Moines – 11/17 0700 – Sponsors listed (‘AJ’s Steakhouse’ and a couple of others). Two or three IDs as “Des Moines’ Sports Station 106.3 KXNO.” Fair, in QRM. (JW-CO)
- 1460 KDMA MN Montevideo – 11/20 0834 – Very poor under KKAQ, with clear “KDMA” and Country music. KXNO usually dominant, but was weak today. (JJR-MI)
- 1460 KKAQ MN Thief River Falls – 11/20 0823 – Poor, with ‘Real Country 1460 AM and 98.5 FM over a weaker KDMA. KXNO weak. (JJR-MI)
- 1460 KHOJ MO St. Charles – 11/16 0859 – Legal ID just before ToH for KHOJ-1460, WRYT-1080, and 3 FMs, into Catholic programming at 0900. Fair, in the group. (JW-CO)
- 1460 KXPB NE Kearney – 11/20 0855 – Presumed. Heard on two different Sundays with Oldies music and IDs such as: “Thanks for listening to the New 98-9 The Vibe” and “The Tri-Cities Greatest Hits 98-9.” Seems to be the usual ESPN programming at all other times. Could be a Sunday-only program, or perhaps they lost the ESPN feed. (JW-CO)
- 1460 KLTC ND Dickinson – 11/21 0913 – Very poor, but a faint “KLTC, wind chill minus 30° at the bird feeder” was in and alone. First time this season! (JJR-MI)
- 1460 CJOY ON Guelph – 11/20 0812 – Very poor, with ‘Footloose’ by Kenny Loggins, a ‘Slow C-J-O-Y jingle into ‘Beautiful’ by Gordon Lightfoot. No KXNO. (JJR-MI)
- 1470 KHND ND Harvey – 11/24 0930 – “The Mix – 1470 KHND Harvey” and lost as fast! Poor, with some KWAY/others. (JJR-MI)
- 1470 WIBD WI West Bend – 11/28 0811 – Poor, but alone, with “. . . 101-3 WIBD – AM 1470” after High School sports scores. (JJR-MI)
- 1490 WZOE IL Princeton – 11/30 0711 – “. . . in Princeton and East Peoria” in local chatter. Poor. (JJR-WI)
- 1490 KRIB IA Mason City – 12/2 0820 – Very poor, with “KRIB” after ‘The First Noel’ and other Christmas songs. In the nine minutes I was on 1490, I heard C&W and NewsTalk, but finally snagged this. Pathetic, hi! (JJR-WI)
- 1490 KXRA MN Alexandria – 11/23 2019 – Very Poor. 90 minutes on 1490 got me “. . . on KXRA” and “. . . in Alexandria” 11 minutes later, hi! (JJR-MI)



- 1490 KIBM NE Omaha – 11/24 0855 – “Boomer 94-5” said between songs by the Dave Clark Five and Paul & Paula. Very Poor. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1490 KIBM NE Omaha – 11/27 0820 – With “The greatest hits of all time . . . enter to win at BoomerRadio.com.” Very poor, but atop. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1490 WLXR WI La Crosse – 11/25 1944 – Very poor, with “Good Times and Great Oldies, right here on 1490 The Eagle.” 50s, 60s, and 70s music. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1510 KCTE MO Independence – 11/27 0831 – Poor . . . all alone, with ESPN. Lost, then in later. The only fit. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1510 KMSD SD Milbank – 11/27 2151 – Poor, with Christmas music matching internet stream. ‘I’ll be home for Christmas’ then ‘O, Come, All Ye Faithful.’ **All time new log. (MT-MN)**
- 1510 WLAC TN Nashville – 11/27 2146 – Fair, with ‘Ben Ferguson Show’ then commercials. Ad for ‘The Dancing Lights of Christmas.’ Under an unID station playing Christmas music. **(MT-MN)**
- 1520 KMSR ND Northwood – 11/23 0900 – Very poor, with Legal ID for KMSR, Mayville translator and “99 KMSR” said, into Dan Patrick. Prior to that, songs from Eddie Money and The Knack. (Never heard music here.) First time this season. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1530 KQSC CO Colorado Springs – 11/25 1800 – With Country music and male giving ID. Fair signal. Relog. **(JN-TX)**
- 1550 KESJ MO St. Joseph – 11/24 0847 – Poor, with “. . . the Christmas Station – Joe Town 107-5” followed by a Gene Autry tune. No WHIT. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1560 KLTJ MO Macon – 11/21 0851 – Very Poor-to-Poor, with C&W. “KLTJ Macon News,” mentioning ‘The Tigers’ and ‘Tigresses’ (High School teams). Alone! Catch of the day. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1560 WGLB WI Elm Grove – 11/27 2133 – Very Poor, with Gospel music matching internet stream. **(MT-MN)**
- 1570 KDIZ MN Golden Valley – 11/26 0829 – Poor, with ‘Town Hall Week in Review,’ SRN News @ 0830. Legal ID noted at TOH. No WLKD. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1580 KBLA CA Santa Monica – 11/14 0735 – Up, in KFCS null, with talk about crypto currency. “KBLA Talk 15-80 AM” ID at 0737 followed by a “K-Black Minute,” then back to the same crypto program. It was in and out during the entire listening period when also not being swamped out by splatter from my 1590 local, even though I was on LSB. **New one here. (RV-TX)**
- 1580 KCHA IA Charles City – 11/27 2120 – Fair, with ‘It’s the Most Wonderful Time of the Year’ by Andy Williams. Fighting with station playing Bob Seeger. Matched internet stream. **(MT-MN)**
- 1580 WJFK MD Morningside – 11/30 0821 – ‘BetQL’ network mentions and promos. Talk of what shirt to wear on Saturday. An audience grabber for sure! ;-). Alone. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1580 WTTN WI Columbus – 11/25 0817 – Poor, but alone, with Wisconsin political chatter. No CKDO until later. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1580 CKDO ON Oshawa – 11/27 2123 – Fair, with DJ Mentioning “CKDO” then ‘Hang on Sloopy’ by The McCoys. **(MT-MN)**
- 1590 WCGO IL Evanston – 11/19 1900 – Poor, with music that I can’t identify, then Top-of-Hour ID: “WCGO 15-90, W240EH 95-9 FM Evanston – Chicago,” then “The following show is produced and distributed . . .” cut abruptly then signal seems to go away. **(MT-MN)**
- 1590 WNTS IN Beech Grove – 11/24 2058 – Under WCGO, which had open carrier for a few minutes, with Spanish live performance, jokes, World Cup talk and audience reaction. Later matched stream. Not heard since WCGO was a daytimer. **(KDF-IL)**
- 1590 KVGB KS Great Bend – 11/19 2100 – Poor, with weather then Top-of-Hour ID: “15-90 KVGB Great Bend and 94.1? ???,” then Sports Center. **New Log from home. (MT-MN)**
- 1600 WAAM MI Ann Arbor – 11/29 0247 – ‘Alex Jones Show’ promo, local spots, ID into Fox News, and back to “The Jim Bohannon Show With Rich Valdés.” Very poor with always-cheating 20 kW WAOS with Mexi-tunes. There’s a tiny night lobe pointing this way. **First time log. (TK-FL)**
- 1600 KDAK ND Carrington – 11/24 0934 – ‘Another Brick in the Wall’ by Pink Floyd, then “AM 1600 and FM 100.1 – The Cardinal.” Alone! **(JJR-MI)**
- 1620 KSMH CA West Sacramento – 11/20 0056 – With religious programming from Relevant Radio Network into TOH ID: “You’re listening to KSMH Immaculate Heart Radio.” Rough, through KOZN in Omaha. **New, for California #8 from here. (SD-MN)**
- 1620 WTAW TX College Station – 11/29 0241 – C2C, generally over WNRP Gulf Breeze despite it being only 40 miles away. **(TK-FL)**

- 1640 KZLS OK Enid – 11/29 0232 – Fox Sports Radio football babble, parallel station stream. (TK-FL)
- 1640 WSJP WI Sussex – 11/29 0447 – Promos for various 'Relevant Radio' shows, URL, back to the overnight guy program. Very Good, with KZLS having faded out by now. Suspect running day power, as never heard here before. Thanks to Martin Foltz for the tip. **First Wisconsin log for me from Florida.** (TK-FL)
- 1670 WMGE GA Dry Branch – 12/2 0713 – Poor, with "Two minute warning on BIN," then BIN news feed. No WOZN. (JJR-WI)

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

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1230 kHz

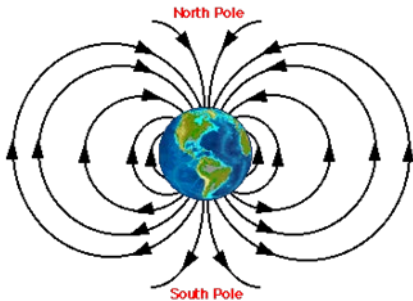
Station	State	City	DXer	DX Location	Miles
KBOV	CA	Bishop	Matt Todd	Banff, AB	967
WHCO	IL	Sparta	Matt Todd	Lake of the Ozarks SP, MO	155

1400 kHz

Station	State	City	DXer	DX Location	Miles
KEYL	MN	Long Prairie	Matt Todd	Grantsburg, WI	102
KLCK	WA	Goldendale	Matt Todd	Banff, AB	444

Total Stations Heard

DXer	DX Location	1230	1240	1340	1400	1450	1490	Total
Jim Weber	Oyster Point, PA	5	9	8	11	7	7	47
Tim Hall	Cambria, CA	5	6	4	6	8	8	37



Geomagnetic Indices

Geomagnetic Summary November 2022

Via Phil Bytheway – Tabulated from Geomagnetic Forecast
E-mail status daily (K index at 0000 UTC)

Apparently the K changed resolution on 11/16!!

Date	Flux	A	K	Space Weather	Date	Flux	A	K	Space Weather
11/1	128	8	2	no storms	16	133	2	0.67	no storms
2	130	14	2	no storms	17	119	2	0.00	no storms
3	125	26	4	minor, G1	18	116	7	3.00	no storms
4	118	16	2	no storms	19	115	5	1.00	minor, R1
5	131	10	1	no storms	20	119	6	2.30	no storms
6	131	4	1	moderate, R2	21	117	10	1.30	no storms
7	135	19	3	moderate, G1, R2	22	116	3	0.00	no storms
8	132	12	1	no storms	23	113	3	0.67	no storms
9	138	7	0	no storms	24	110	6	2.67	no storms
10	139	2	0	no storms	25	109	20	4.00	no storms
11	138	9	3	minor, R1	26	107	16	3.00	no storms
12	138	5	0	minor, R1	27	107	15	3.00	no storms
13	137	7	1	no storms	28	107	24	4.00	minor, G1
14	142	4	0	no storms	29	108	25	3.00	minor, G1
15	134	2	0	no storms	11/30	111	24	3.33	minor, G1

Sx – Solar Radiation Storm Level / Gx – Geomagnetic Storm Level / Rx – Radio Blackouts Level.



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TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 711 **WESTERN SAHARA** SNRT Laâyoune NOV 28 0729 – Only 9/kHz split JBA TA MW carrier, when I am getting TP's, is on 711, likely remnant of 300 kW Morocco. Actually that is in occupied Western Sahara, northern part but well south of the 'border' with imperialist Morocco. Timeanddate.com shows a.k.a. "El Aaiun, Iqlim Al Uyun, Iqlīm Al Uyūn, Laayoun," so when is sunrise there today? 0720 UTC! Latest sunrise will be 0741, Jan 4-19. We are already at earliest sunset, 1753 UTC from Nov 26 to Dec 6. In Northern Hemisphere, these are always about a month apart due to Earthly oblateness, but combine for shortest day on the Winter Solstice. [Hauser-OK]
- 1625 unID NOV 27 0200 – Weak but steady s5 signal. [Conti-NH]
- 1629 unID NOV 27 0400 – Het against 1630 KCJJ. [Conti-NH]
- Transatlantic carrier search:* NOV 23 0709 – 711, 774(2), 837, 855(2) but none higher in huge splash levels from domestics. Medium-speed beat on 774, slow on 855, i.e. Spains, also 837, and 711 would be Morocco. All weaker than 846 Kiritimati. [Hauser-OK]

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 600 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, San Germán NOV 19 0125 – Man with talk about World Cup, 2030 ID by man. Strong signal. [Orr-VA]
- 640 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Guanabacoa//Las Tunas DEC 2 0248 – Spanish pop music program parallel 690, ID by man at 0253 as "...en la cantado de amor, en Radio Progreso, la onda de la alegría de Habana," into Spanish ballads. [Orr-VA]
- 650 **COLOMBIA** HJKH, RCN Antena 2, Bogotá DEC 2 0254 – Pop music program, "Antena Dos" ID by man, mention of "en Colombia, Antena Dos, la cadena de los mas..." 0257, then 0300 ID, "Eschuche Antena Dos, 24 horas desde..." promo's and music. Selena's "Amor Prohibido." In null of WSM, right there readable at s2. [Orr-VA]
- 660 **MEXICO** XEEY Aguascalientes, Ags. NOV 20 1140 – Mix of banda and grupera music with frequent "La Caliente 102.9" splitter ID's. Full ID at 1203 mentioning both the AM and FM sides, and the affiliation with Grupo Radiofonico ZER. [Vance-TX]
- 670 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde* synchros DEC 2 0346 – Blasting in with music and talk, 0400 ID by man as "Radio Rebelde, La Habana, emisora de la revolución." [Orr-VA]
- 690 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Santa Clara//Santiago de Cuba DEC 2 0200 – Fair; Lennon Sisters or similar cover of "You Light Up My Life" parallel strong 640 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 720 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Mabujabo DEC 3 2301 – Fair; onda de la alegría jingle and chime marking the hour, parallel 640 and 750 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 740 **MEXICO** XECAQ *R.Fórmula*, Cancún, Q.Roo DEC 2 1127 – Long national ads string, insert with woman mentioning "estereo 92 punto 3." Truncated kiddie anthem 1200 into news. Possibly the same one noted much earlier with nonstop recent and older alt-pop (Elton John-Dua Lipa, REM, Kate Bush), not CFZM which was also in the mix along with KRMG, WYGM, KTRH. [Krueger-FL]
- 750 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Palmira DEC 2 0200 – Under WSB; "You Light Up My Life" parallel strong 640 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 760 **COLOMBIA** HJAJ, RCN Barranquilla DEC 3 2300 – Under WVNE and unID oldies; choral national anthem, parallel 1000 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 790 **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, Holguín//Pinar del Río DEC 2 0430 – ID followed by current events program, time ticks, pips. [Orr-VA]
- 800 **BONAIRE** PJB, TWR Kralendijk NOV 25 0835 – Braso-Portuguese man and woman preacher, piano fills. Excellent. [Krueger-FL]
- 810 **BAHAMAS** ZNS3 Freeport, Grand Bahama DEC 2 0220 – Local music program, "The Light, 1540 AM, 104.5 FM" ID at 0225 by man; under WGY most of the time but also some fair peaks. [Orr-VA]
- 850 **MEXICO** XECAAF Jalpan, Qro. NOV 5 1215 – Música romántica y baladas. ID at 1221 by male and female announcers, "Estas escuchando XECAAF, ochocientos cincuenta amplitud modulada..." then back to music. Same ID heard at 1233 UTC. [Vance-TX]



- 870 **CUBA** *R.Reloj* synchros DEC 3 2300 – Loud wobbling over the ticker and RR Morse code. [Conti-NH]
- 890 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Chambas DEC 2 0239 – ID by man as "...en programa del ritmo de Radio Progreso," promo for "Sabado del Ritmo," then salsa music. In WLS null with s6 signal at times. [Orr-VA]
- 1000 **COLOMBIA** HJAQ, RCN Cartagena DEC 3 2300 – Over/under unID Spanish; choral national anthem, parallel 760 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1000 **CUBA** *R.Artemisa*, Artemisa DEC 2 2330 – Poor; ID with familiar theme music, same as usual top of the hour ID. [Conti-NH]
- 1000 **MEXICO** XEOY Cd. México, CDMX NOV 12 0050 – Heard in local XEFV null; news program, ID at 0052 "...por stereo cien en punto uno FM, un mil AM," followed by ads, then another similar ID a couple minutes later and back into news. Full ID at 0102 for both 100.1 XHMM ("Stereo Cien") and 1000 XEOY AM ("Radio Mil") into U.S. classic rock ("We Built This City" by Starship). [Vance-TX]
- 1020 **CUBA** *R.Artemisa*, Bahía Honda DEC 2 0402 – Parallel 1000 with Spanish ballads, woman announcer, 2308 ID during announcements. Mostly under KDKA with some good peaks. [Orr-VA]
- 1080 **CUBA** *R.Cadena Habana*, Villa Maria DEC 2 0500 – Under WTIC; interval signal and choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- 1070 **COLOMBIA** HJCG *R.Santa Fe*, Bogotá DEC 4 2020 – Fair in a mix of LA's during semi-auroral conditions with no sign of CHOK. Music sounders followed by energetic male announcer with "¡Radio Santa Fe!" Thanks to Christopher Dunne who heard the ID on my KiwiSDR from his home in Florida, prompting me to closely review my overnight RSPdx capture from that time slot. [Taylor-PE]
- 1260 **MEXICO** XEZH Salamanca, Gto. NOV 24 1219 – Mixing with XEDF (and losing most of the time); music (unsure of genre). Splitter ID's containing call letters heard clearly two or three times. [Vance-TX]
- 1380 **MEXICO** XECO Cd. México, CDMX NOV 9 1155 – Up in local KHEY null; música romántica. Time check and Mexican national anthem at top of the hour, followed by ID, "Esta es XECO, Romántica Trece Ochenta" by female then back to music. [Vance-TX]
- 1440 **MEXICO** XEEST Cd. México, CDMX NOV 30 0028 – Caught ID announcement "La frecuencia de cambio, XEEST, Grupo Siete," followed by a station promo; then back into the mix. [Vance-TX]
- 1620 **CUBA** *R.Bayamo*, Bayamo NOV 27 0359 – Under *R.Rebelde*; choral national anthem, canned ID, and chimes, then heard choral national anthem from *R.Rebelde*. [Conti-NH]
- 1620 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde* synchros NOV 19 0144 – Pop music, announcements, "...en Rebelde, música viva." ID at 0150 UTC. [Orr-VA] NOV 26 1101 – Fair; Amanecer Cubano theme, time check a minute late, "Seis en punto en la mañana." DEC 3 0500 – Good; midnight lullaby and choral national anthem. [Conti-NH]
- 1620 **U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS** WDHP Frederiksted NOV 27 0659 – Over/under *R.Rebelde*; "It's the station for the people by the people, The Reef 103.5" and high energy soca music. [Conti-NH]

TRANS-PACIFIC DX

- 846 **KIRIBATI** *R.Kiribati*, London, Christmas Island NOV 23 0709 – JBA carrier noticeably stronger than its TA companions 837, 855 et al., from Spain. I file this under the individual island name, but IRCA has accepted my contention that it should be separate from Tarawa, two time zones away; from IRCA DX Monitor Nov 26, published Nov 21: "IRCA Countries List 2022 Kiribati (formerly Gilbert Islands) [OC] – includes Tarawa Kiribati, Eastern (aka Line Islands) [OC] – far enough from Tarawa to count as a separate country, 846 Kiritimati activated in early 2018." NOV 25 0730 – JBA carrier while no other 9 kHz splits audible, TP nor TA. NOV 28 0729 – JBA carrier; even weaker one on 1098 which would be V7AB Marshall Is. but nothing detectable from 1017 A3Z Tonga. Only other 9/kHz split JBA carrier is 711, likely remnant of 300 kW TA Morocco. NOV 29 0730 – JBA carrier; only other 9/kHz split JBA MW carrier is 774 at 0732 making a slow beat of two signals, i.e. remnant of Spains. NOV 30 0744 – No signal at first, but JBA carrier at 0748 recheck, maybe just a fade rather than off/on, and one should really listen for more than a few seconds. At first the only other 9 kHz split is a slow beat on 855, likely Spains; and at second there's 711 kHz JBA carrier, likely Western Sahara, q.v. DEC 1 0748 – JBA carrier, no other TP/TA splits noted. DEC 3 0754 – JBA carrier, no other 9/kHz split TP or TA carriers audible in quick bandscan. DEC 4 0748 – JBA carrier, although it's Sunday usually silent; only other 9/kHz splits detected are 882 and 1107, likely Canary Islands and Spain, now not too far into the dayside yet. [Hauser-OK]

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

MEXICO: My locals 800 XESPN and 1550 XEBG returned to the air this week (Nov 23), both playing automated Mexican oldies/hits (not the same feed; the music on XEBG seems older than the music on XESPN). There are no liners or jingles, just an occasional plain ID added by the automation: "XESPN, 800 AM, Tijuana, Baja California" or "XEBG, 1550 AM, Tijuana, Baja California." [Tim Hall, NRC MWDX Facebook group]

MOLDOVA (Transnistria): *R.Rossii*, Grigoriopol 999 kHz seems to transmit now 1600-2200. TWR 1548 kHz is on as normal, but both *Radio 1* and TWR on 621 kHz continue off. [Mauno Ritola, ARC mv-eko]

ROMANIA: New medium wave transmitters;

(1) 25 kW AM transmitter – DRM simulcast on 909 kHz for *Radio Constanta*.

(1) 50 kW AM transmitter – DRM simulcast on 1314 kHz for *Antenna Satelor*.

(1) 50 kW AM transmitter – DRM simulcast on 1458 kHz to replace *Radio Romana Actualitati* transmitter that has been currently out of service for two years.

Two transmitters will be installed in Oradea Rontau for *Radio Romana Actualitati* on 603 kHz, (1) 50 kW AM transmitter – DRM simulcast), and in Bucharest Herăstrău for *Antenna Satelor* on 603 kHz (1) 25 kW AM transmitter – DRM simulcast. [Radio Magazine FB group via Ydun's Medium Wave Info, ARC mv-eko]

RUSSIA (Kaliningrad): 1143 Kaliningrad Radio Center turned on the broadcast of the *Radio Russia* program for a daily run on November 15. They use the big ARRT antenna (formerly 171 kHz), so non-directional broadcast. Still irregular! [Marco via Ydun's Medium Wave Info, ARC mv-eko]

UKRAINE: After the nationwide shelling by the Russian troops Nov 11, *UR-1* is silent on 873, 1278 and 1404 kHz. Only 657 working but with much less power than usual. [László Tringer via Ydun's Medium Wave Info, ARC mv-eko]

73 and Good DX!

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Report your verifications to me at the above address. Next deadline: **12/31/22 1 PM PLT pb**

- 1260 KKOO **ID**, Weiser. PPC in 12 days. V/s KJMac, on-air personality. Address: 5660 E Franklin Rd #200, Nampa ID 83687. (JW-CO)
- 1360 KTNZ **TX**, Amarillo. PPC in 9 days. V/s Dale Artho, President, Catholic Radio of the Texas High Plains. Address: Catholic Radio of the Texas High Plains, 4674 CR 8, Wildorado TX 79098. (JW-CO)
- 1630 KFBU **WY**, Fox Farm. PPC in 11 days. V/s Roger Lonquist (W7RDL). Address: YNOP Radio, PO Box 7393, Helena MT 59604. (JW-CO)

Thanks to this great reporter – pb

John Wilkins – Wheat Ridge CO (JW-CO)



Musings of the Members

Linda Brodsky zekesgm@gmail.com

Non-electronic submissions: Send to Publisher (see AM Switch for address)

Next deadline: **December 16, 2022**

Paul Flaughter, Cincinnati OH

I live in Cincinnati, Ohio, about six miles from the center of the city in a neighborhood that is fairly quiet electrically. The setup I was using when I experienced what I describe here is an Eton Elite 750, and a homebrew 23" quilting hoop tunable loop.

At 0535 local /1035 UTC on 30 November, 2022 I heard what I wonder was a total radio blackout. All of the usual DX stations I can listen to almost at will at night – WWL, WBAP, WSM, WHO, KMOX, WSB, KDKA, WCBS, WBZ – just simply disappeared. I was listening to WCBS, and over the space of about two seconds it went from S9 to zero. I scanned around the country and was not able to hear any distant stations anywhere! I did hear a warbling "squeal" a couple of times. I was able to hear the usual QRN and static such as hairdryers coming on in the neighboring houses, etc. etc. My first thought was my radio or setup had failed, or I had suffered a lightning near-miss (the night before a huge storm had gone through the southern midwest), except that all the local groundwave stations blasted in as usual. Also, as I type this at 1522 local / 2028 UTC I am listening comfortably to KDKA's afternoon program, and I can easily copy WWKY (990) at about 120 miles (250 watts) just a little SE of Lexington, KY, without bothering to retune or aim the loop, so I think it unlikely my setup was at fault.

This lasted from fifteen to twenty minutes, and stations reappeared as abruptly as they had disappeared. I scanned the space weather report on NOAA's site, and don't see anything that I recognize as the "cause" of something so startling. Did anybody else hear this? Has anybody heard anything like this before now?

Thanks everybody. Good hunting! Paul

Matt Todd, Hugo MN

For a few months my girlfriend and I had been planning a two week trip to a few western states and Canadian Provinces in our camper. I had been really looking forward to the radio aspect of the trip as I haven't done much radio stuff out that way and never have in Canada. I was planning to do AM spectrum recordings, some shortwave recordings and a bunch of Parks on the Air activations.

On the first day of our trip we drove eleven hours to the Black Hills in South Dakota, and after we got our trailer set up, went to town to get dinner and came back it was time to make my AM spectrum recording. When we travel I typically make top of hour spectrum recordings with a SDR and then go through them when I get home and pull out station ID's and other interesting tidbits. I started to set up to make my recording and I quickly realized I forgot my Airspy HF+ Discovery. This made it impossible to make my recordings and needless to say I was really bummed that I wasn't going to be able to do something I'd been so looking forward to for several months. Luckily, we had just enough of a cell signal to get a text to my mom. She goes to our house daily to take care of our cat while we're gone and she was able to grab my Airspy while there the next morning. She overnighted it to the Custer State Park office and I had it in time to make a recording there on the last day before we moved on to our next stop. My pseudo DXpedition was saved! We went on to Grand Teton National Park, Glacier National Park, Banff, Medicine Hat, AB, and Brandon, MB where I made more recordings. I logged a total of 316 stations during these stops, a lot of those being ones that were new to me. The logs can be seen in editions 90-03 and 90-04. The difference in the dial in the different places I monitor is always fun and amazing to me. I'm lucky to have a mother who was willing to go to the trouble to send the Airspy to me to save my AM recording portion of the trip.

Martin Foltz, Sarasota FL

No veries still. DX: 11/23 finally and ID for 1390 WAVP Boss Hogg Radio with Classic Radio, first station logged on 1390. 11/24 found Classic Radio Theater on local 1490 WWPR just before 10 PM. I enjoy those old radio programs so will need to tune in to them when I have time. 11/25 1130 KWKH The Tiger in with Friday night High School football game, took details for a report. This station is strong at times but suffers from fading. 11/28 MM DX (remember those days?) 1630 KCJJ heard for a report, first IA station, 1640 heard Relevant Radio from presumed WSJP Sussex WI. That would be another new state but heard just after 1 AM and didn't want to stay up until 2 AM for an ID. 12/1 caught 660 WFAN with Thursday Night Football post-game show for a report.

I've been using heavy duty batteries in my Sony 2010 and they don't seem to last that long. So I tried some Alkaline batteries and hope they do better. I might have to go to an AC adaptor. Found

one that's 4.5V 600 mA but wrong plug and polarity. I'll look into converting it to the Sony. I really haven't done much with the GE Superadio. In the future I want to hook up a 4-foot loop to it and also use it in the local park with a long wire on the ground. Just need the wire. And picked up a Terk Advantage loop antenna at the local Goodwill, another toy to play with. 73's, Martin

Linda Brodsky, Malverne NY

The AM band has been dull, dull, dull, for the past two weeks. I hear stations on every frequency, but they are the ones usually heard here. It doesn't seem to matter which receiver or antenna I use. I see Mark Connelly reported big openings to the south in the past two days, but nothing like that has been detected here aside from a brief appearance by WFLF 540 this Saturday morning which I noticed on one of the IQ recordings I made with the RSPDx.

The lull in DX prompted me to sort out my QSL collection, mostly from the '60's and 70's, That brought back memories of the "good old days" when many stations had silent periods in the wee hours of Monday mornings while they did transmitter maintenance allowing for some interesting DX. Also, back then, hearing stations on split frequencies wasn't as difficult as it is today.

I'm looking forward to trying out the Airspy Discovery HF I bought during the Black Friday sale and comparing it to the RSPDx, the Sangean PR-D5 and the C.Crane Skywave SSB. 73.

Pro Sports Networks

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One correction to the NBA column in the last issue. The flagship for the Miami Heat has changed to 560 WQAM-FL. The previous flagship, 790 WAXY-FL, has dropped sports and is now all-Spanish right wing talk.

Unreported Domestic Stations

No stations were reported to DDXD for the first time this issue since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000) – although the report of WSNW-1150 in this issue is the first since Volume 72, Issue 14, when the station was located in Seneca SC rather; the closest we came was WEGO-1410, which was last reported in Volume 67, issue 11 by Greg Myers in Richmond VA. So we hold at 222 unreported stations. We print the full list occasionally – the last time was in 89-18. If you want an updated list (especially now that it fits on a single page!) just e-mail the publisher at NRCDXNews@gmail.com. Can we knock off one (or more) next issue?

From the Archives

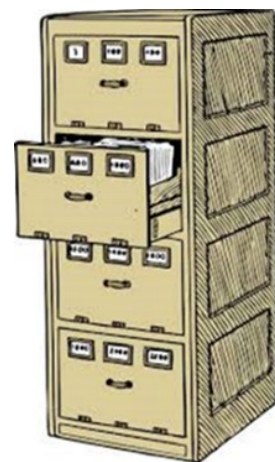
75 Years Ago: From the December 13, 1947 issue of *DX News*: Nearly the entire first page of this issue was taken up with the calendar of upcoming DX tests – 46 of them! NRC Chairman Leo Herz has been writing stations whose verifications are simply acknowledgments of the reception report but don't actually verify the report's accuracy, politely explaining what DXers are looking for from station verifications.

50 Years Ago: From December 7, 1972 issue of *DX News*: Page Taylor will be taking over editorship of IDXD from Bob Foxworth. Gordon Nelson's article on the possibilities and propagation theory behind midwinter daytime skywave DX was published, and Dave Fischer published a lengthy article on the mathematics behind the Beverage antenna.

25 Years Ago: From the December 8, 1997 issue of *DX News*: DXers from New York to California were reporting the new expanded band station, WCMQ-1700 in Miami Springs, FL. Phil Boersma and Dave Schmidt exchanged views on the workability of the expanded band from stations' perspective, and both were skeptical many stations would find it helpful.

10 Years Ago: From the December 10, 2012 issue of *DX News*: The last AM station in Quebec outside Montreal, CFLM-1240 La Tuque, has activated its FM signal and will go dark soon. The DDXD "unreported" list had 601 entries.

All *DX News* back issues through Volume 87 are available online at <https://nationalradioclub.org/dx-news-archives/>.



FCC Commissioner Advocates for Preservation of AM Radio

RadioWorld.com – Elle Kehres (Nov. 18, 2022)
(Via Bill Hale)

FCC Commissioner Nathan Simington met with members of the National Association of Farm Broadcasting during their 79th annual convention on Nov. 16. In his remarks, Simington emphasized the importance of AM radio and outlined the steps needed to ensure its future in a changing market.

Simington began his remarks with a more personal anecdote. He said he grew up on a farm in Saskatchewan, Canada, where “besides the trade papers, there was no media institution more trusted to inform us about all we needed to know than AM radio.”

“AM radio was for us then, and is for the more than three million farmers across the U.S. now, an indispensable resource,” he said.

Simington said AM radio is the “essential spine” of the Emergency Alert System and “lets you know what’s happening not just globally, but locally — from school closures and traffic delays to city council and county management meetings and high school sports games.”

He comments on the growing populations that view AM radio as a “dead” and outdated technology, and why he believes that to be a falsity.

“They say that the commission should reallocate the band to a different use — well. Okay. Let’s play that out. A dead technology? Don’t tell farmers that. Most farmers listen to AM radio.”

Simington said three-quarters of farmers listen to radio five days per week with more than 60 percent listening to AM sources.

He said because a lot of important emergency signaling infrastructure is built into it — not to mention that it remains a trusted source for farmers — it’s important to preserve AM radio. Simington said the industry can do that by not “crushing radio with regulatory fees.”

“Let’s call on Congress to revamp the way we collect regulatory fees — a methodology that is fairer and more accurate. A methodology that reflects the work that staff at the commission actually do.”

Simington said broadcasters can also help preserve AM radio by “encouraging auto manufacturers to double down on AM reception,” especially as the market changes with the rise of electric vehicles.

“The next generation of autonomous cars and trucks, exciting as it is, will rely critically on spectrum for sensing and steering technologies. The commission should not be shy about asking auto manufacturers to serve the public interest by continuing to serve AM radio listeners, just as the commission helps the auto industry to make possible the next generation of innovation in automotive technology.”

Finally, he urges the FCC to “have a critical look at AM radio reception on a technical level.”

The NAFB tells Radio World that broadcasters also talked with the commissioner about the EAS Certification Proposal, concerns over year-round daylight saving time — and how that would adversely affect the rural AM stations farmers rely on — and concerns over the Ford F150 EV proposal to take out AM radios.

This year’s NAFB Convention was held at the Westin Crown Center in Kansas City, Mo. on Nov. 16–18.

Article text at: <https://www.radioworld.com/news-and-business/fcc-commissioner-advocates-for-preservation-of-am-radio>

Commissioner Simington’s full remarks on the FCC website:

<https://www.fcc.gov/document/simington-remarks-national-association-farm-broadcasters>

Radio History Revisited

KZN / KFPT / KSL

Kenneth D. MacHarg

As we have explored the development of early radio stations, we have found that most of the historic outlets were established and owned by newspapers or individual electronic tinkerers who almost accidentally started something big.

The historic station, KSL, in Salt Lake City came in somewhat the same manner, but with an unusual twist. It was begun by a newspaper, but that publication was owned by a church.

On April 21, 1922 the *Deseret News*, a Salt Lake City newspaper owned by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS)—more commonly known as the Mormons--was issued a license for a new station. This was the first broadcasting station approved in the state of Utah.

The new station's call letters were KZN. At that time call letters were generally randomly assigned from a roster of available call signs, but it is possible that KZN was derived from the Zion concept

and common motif in the Latter Day Saint movement. The Mormons named the Salt Lake City area Zion, which is ancient Hebrew for sanctuary or refuge. Within the Latter Day Saint movement, Zion is often used to connote a peaceful ideal society.

The station was located on the roof of the Deseret News Building. KZN's first broadcast began at 3 p.m. on May 6, 1922, and included an 8 p.m. dedication address by LDS Church president Heber J. Grant, followed by a speech by Salt Lake City Mayor C. Clarence Nelson.

In 1924, KZN was sold to John Cope and his father, F.W. Cope, who formed the Radio Service Corporation of Utah. Ownership was changed to Cope & Johnson, and the station's frequency to 1120 kHz. The call letters became KFPT, with this new call sign coming from an alphabetical roster of available call letters that were normally assigned to new stations. KFPT, still located atop the Deseret News Building, made its formal debut on June 13, 1924. In early 1925 ownership was changed to the Radio Service Corporation of Utah, and the station's frequency to 1150 kHz.

On March 24, 1925, the call letters were changed from KFPT to KSL, and the frequency to 1000 kHz, with the "S" and "L" standing for "Salt Lake." (The KSL call sign had been assigned to a San Francisco station from March 1922 until it was deleted in June 1923.) Earl J. Glade, later a four-term mayor of Salt Lake City, joined the station in 1925 and guided KSL's operations for the next fourteen years. John F. Fitzpatrick, publisher of *The Salt Lake Tribune* (not owned by the LDS church) acquired a quarter interest of KSL for a modest price, as did the LDS Church. This was the Tribune's first business partnership with the LDS Church, though the church later reacquired full interest in the station. In 1927, the station moved to 990 kHz.

The recently formed Federal Radio Commission adopted General Order 40 in 1928, which included 40 "clear channel" allocations, which were assignments providing for high-powered stations with extensive nighttime coverage. The resulting reallocation was implemented on November 11, 1928, with KSL given one of the "clear channel" assignments, on 1130 kHz. An upgrade from 5,000 to the current 50,000 watts was dedicated October 22, 1932. In March 1941, with the implementation of the North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement, KSL was shifted to 1160 kHz, although it maintained its status as a "clear channel" station.

In 1932, KSL joined the CBS Radio Network. It remained with CBS until 2005, when it switched to ABC News Radio. The station gained a television counterpart in 1949; the CBS affiliate KSL-TV. These stations remained subsidiaries of the Deseret News until 1964, when Bonneville International Corporation was formed as the parent company for the LDS Church's broadcasting interests.

In the mid-1980s KSL adopted an all-talk format, completely dropping music programming, aside from its Sunday broadcasts of the Tabernacle Choir.

Once a month during non-election cycles (usually on the last Thursday of the month), the Governor of Utah has airtime on the station for a "Let Me Speak to the Governor" segment, where calls are taken from constituents, with the governor answering questions and concerns.

A notable program from KSL's history was Herb Jepko's Nitecaps, a call-in show airing overnight from 1964 to 1990. Nitecaps was one of the first U.S. radio talk shows to be syndicated nationally, airing on numerous Mutual Broadcasting System Network stations.

KSL was the flagship station of Brigham Young University's football and men's basketball teams until BYU Radio took over the duties in 2017. KSL remains an affiliate for those teams though. Commentary for football games is provided by Greg Wrubell, the "Voice of the Cougars."

Due to its affiliation with the LDS Church, KSL, along with its television counterparts and other LDS-affiliated outlets in Utah, airs simulcasts of the church's General Conferences, held twice a year during April and October.

On Sunday mornings, KSL airs its longest-running show, *Music and the Spoken Word*, a weekly broadcast of The Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square which is also syndicated nationwide via the LDS/Brigham Young television channel BYUTV. A complete listing of outlets for the program can be found at: <https://www.thetabernaclechoir.org/music-spoken-word/music-and-the-spoken-word-live.html>. Continuously airing since 1929, it is one of the longest-running radio programs in the world, and one of only two radio shows to be inaugurated into the National Association of Broadcasters' Hall of Fame, along with the Grand Ole Opry.

On Sunday mornings and evenings for 22 years, KSL has broadcast *Religion Today* with host Martin Tanner, which focuses on Christian and Jewish history and doctrine. The station also carries *The Lutheran Hour* on Sunday evenings.

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Radio History Revisited

Music 'Til Dawn

Kenneth D. MacHarg

It was a classical music program—but it wasn't. It was broadcast nationally, but not on a network nor syndicated. It was a five-hour commercial, but it was so much more.

We're talking about the unique Music 'Til Dawn program (sometimes referred to as American Airlines Music 'til Dawn) that was carried by some of the most powerful radio stations (most 50,000 watts) in major cities such as Dallas, Chicago, New Orleans, Los Angeles, New York City, Washington, D.C., Detroit, Cincinnati and more. It ran from 1953 until 1970.

The program originated in the minds of advertising and marketing consultants of American Airlines. What made it unique, other than, perhaps, its format, was that it was produced locally with local announcers in each city rather than in one location and fed across the country.

He (to my knowledge none of the programs were hosted by a woman) would intersperse dreamy classical and popular orchestrations with poetry readings and thoughts about the places American Airlines served.

What occurred initially was that the management of each station let the local announcers run the show. Consequently, there was no continuity among stations, and the listener surveys that followed showed the program was failing miserably in almost every market.

Before they pulled the program nationwide, the advertising and marketing consultants thought they should revisit their idea. So they sent representatives to each market where they checked into a hotel, turned on the radio, and secretly recorded that city's station's interpretation of Music 'til Dawn on a reel-to-reel recorder.

They brought their tapes back to the home office, holed up in a conference room and listened to all of them. But it really didn't take but a few hours to realize the problem. There was no continuity. What each guy was doing didn't sound anything like what any of the others were doing.

So, the marketing people went to each station and auditioned announcers in that market until they found a voice that fit their concept. They all sounded fairly much alike. They were then contracted by AA and paid a talent fee.

Next, the marketing team scripted and provided the play list for each night. So at any time during the evening, within a few seconds one way or the other, all of the programs would be playing the same song and the announcer would be reading the same script.

It would be called American Airlines' Music 'til Dawn, and it would be hosted by a mellow-voiced announcer with a romantic fullness. He would intersperse dreamy classical and popular orchestrations with poetry readings and thoughts about the places American Airlines served. In general, the first and last hours of the program featured the easy listening type of music with the hours in between utilizing classical music.

The theme song, an orchestration of That's All, introduced and ended each evening's program and also ran under the announcer's voice at any time the mike was open. It was recorded exclusively for the program arranged for orchestra by Sy Mann.

The local announcers included Hugh Lampman on KRLD, Dallas, the home base for American Airlines; Hal Stepler, Don Boothman and others in Washington, D.C.; John Doremus, Jim LaBarbara and Pete Manchikes 'Matthews' (from 1957 until 1966) on WLW Cincinnati; Bob Hall, WCBS, NYC; Les Martens on WWJ in Detroit, Jay Andres, WBBM Chicago; Bill Cherry, WWL, New Orleans; and Ken Ackerman, KCBS San Francisco.

A unique feature of the program was that each evening the show would kick off by designating a destination to which AA flew from the host city. The announcer would then track the imaginary flight, pointing out where it was from time to time, and announcing its successful arrival at the appropriate time.

An interesting side note is that in Detroit the program ran on WWJ (5,000 watts) when WJR (50,000 watts) wouldn't come to terms on all night rates, so the American Airlines ad agency made a deal with WWJ. (Having grown up in the motor city, I remember that WJR started Nightflight 760, with a format of travelogue type info hosted by Jay Roberts and a similar format of pop music playing mostly jazz and blues).

Here is a recording of the Sy Mann version of That's All that wrapped around the program in each of the markets: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kDNqq9npZHc>

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