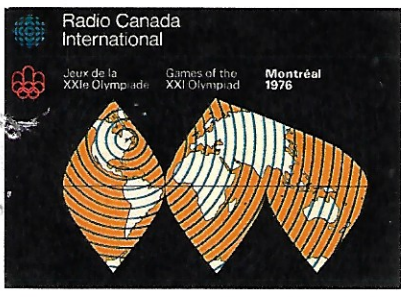
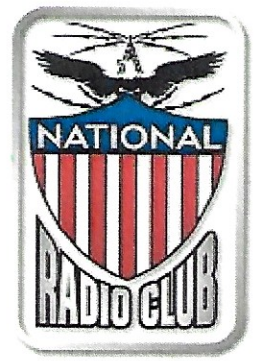
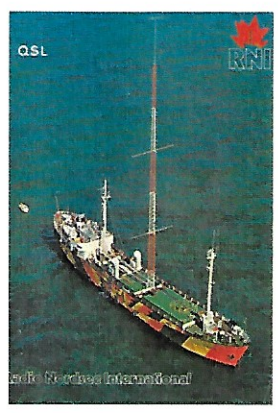


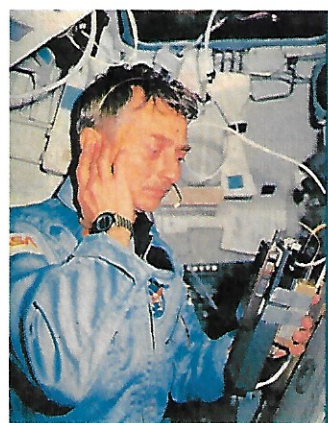
**RADIO
4 VEH**

Box 1, Cap Haitien, Haiti, W. I.

National Radio Club Convention Bridgeport, WV August 3-5, 2012



ONLY ONE STATION GIVES YOU THE LOCAL NEWS YOU'RE LOOKING FOR.



W5LFL
from the
Spacecraft
Columbia



NASA



STS-9/Spacelab-1

Welcome to:

NATIONAL RADIO CLUB

AND

WTFDA

CONVENTION

BRIDGEPORT

WEST VIRGINIA

AUGUST 3 – 5, 2012

2012 NATIONAL RADIO CLUB & WTFDA CONVENTION

AGENDA

Friday, August 3, 2012

- | | |
|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| 6:00 – 10:00 am | Breakfast Room Open |
| 9:00 am | Registration Begins
(Hospitality Room Open) |
| 11:30 am | Departure for 911 Center |
| 12:00 pm | Tour of 911 Center

Lunch on your own |
| 1:30 pm - ? | Reacquainting Old Friends and
Making New Ones |
| 6:00 pm | Free Pizza

Open Talks and/or Demonstrations |
| Midnight | Hospitality Room Closed |

Saturday, August 4, 2012

6:00 – 10:00 am	Breakfast Room Open
9:00 am	Hospitality Room Open
11:30 am	Departure for WBOY TV Tour
12:00 pm	Tour of WBOY TV
	Lunch on your own
1:30 pm - ?	Reacquainting Old Friends and Making New Ones
5:00 pm	Group Pictures
5:30 pm	Departure for Banquet at Ryan's Steakhouse
6:00 pm	Banquet at Ryan's Steakhouse
7:30 pm	Business Meeting
	Auction
	Open Talks and/or Demonstrations
Midnight	Hospitality Room Closed

Sunday, August 5, 2012

6:00 – 10:00 am Breakfast Room Open
9:00 am Hospitality Room Open
DX Quiz
12:00 pm Hospitality Room Closed

Dave Yocis, publisher of *DX News*, will be publishing the next issue this weekend.

Thank you for attending the 2012 NRC & WTFDA Convention. We hope you had an enjoyable weekend in Wild and Wonderful, Almost Heaven, Bridgeport, West Virginia. We pray for safe travel on your return home. Hope to see you next year!

Bill and Brenda Swiger

(Agenda is subject to change)

City Hits the Airwaves with AM 1620 - WQNH

By Jeff Toquinto on May 01, 2012

You won't be hearing Wolfman Jack. And for those of you scratching your head about who that may be, you won't be hearing Jack Logar either. But, the City of Bridgeport has its own radio station.

Welcome to WQNH-849, AM 1640. And if you're not located within or very near the city of Bridgeport you won't be receiving messages any time soon.

"We do have our own AM Radio Station," Police Chief John Walker said. "We purchased it last fall with Homeland Security grant money."

Since that time, the station hasn't been pounding out the top 40. It also hasn't been doing any advertising for local or national businesses, which according to Walker isn't allowed. Primarily, if you've stumbled across the station or tuned in to see what's going on you've heard looped messages by Walker connect-bridgeport.com and other emergency preparedness issues. Standard messages will replay itself until such time as the city becomes more actively involved in using the station for all of its potential applications.

"Even though it's been up since fall, it's still, I guess, what you'd call in the testing phase. We actually had trouble with the antennae and eventually found out it was bad," Walker said.

Ironically, the antenna was recently replaced and the problems didn't go away. Fortunately, Walker said a technician was able to find a simple fix to the problem and the station is ready for current and future work.

In the very near future, Walker plans on using the media to get the word out about the radio station. At full capacity, the station can be used for a number of purposes, the chief said.

"Certainly it's available for community messages and we can use it to reroute traffic and announce the detour," Walker said, some of which are already happening. "From an emergency situation standpoint, there are plenty of endless applications."

Shaunda Rauch, who heads up Bridgeport's new Office of Emergency Management, said it's all part of the puzzle to handle eventual city emergencies. Those emergencies can run the gamut of both natural and man-made disasters.

“It’s part of the many pieces of the entire program we’re putting in place for emergency preparedness,” said Rauch. “You have Connect-Bridgeport, Nixle and other avenues that are there for the protection of our residents.”

The tower for the station is located on Bridgeport Hill, near Gabriel’s Plaza. Walker said the tower location covers an area approaching 95 percent of the city.

“Some places things are a little scratchy and in others you may get a half a mile or so out of the city good reception,” Walker said. “Regardless, we think it’s a good thing and a good tool for the city.”

Rauch said, eventually, the city would like to receive another unit that would allow for complete and coverage and coverage that was more crisp throughout the city. That unit, however, costs roughly \$32,000, which means it is not a cheap fix. As for as the existing unit, Rauch said the FCC will not allow anymore expansion as far as bandwidth than it currently has in place.

“Our goal is to be able to have the AM radio station to be a dependable and reliable public warning system,” said Rauch. “We’re on our way to making that happen.”

Bridgeport, West Virginia

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Bridgeport is a city in Harrison County, West Virginia, United States. The population was 8,149 at the 2010 census.

The town of Bridgeport had its beginning in pre-American Revolutionary War times. In 1764, John Simpson entered the area and gave his name to Simpson Creek. Bridgeport was chartered in 1816. When the town was incorporated in 1887, it established the office of mayor and town council. The city currently employs a City Manager. Bridgeport is home to Meadowbrook Mall, a 100-store regional shopping complex serving North-Central West Virginia.

History

When John Simpson entered the Bridgeport area in 1764, he was attracted by the plentiful supply of fur-bearing animals. The men to follow him were also trappers and the fur trade was the first business in what is now Bridgeport. As the settlers came and cleared land, timber was sold, and the lumber trade became another area business.

The first mill of which there is official record is the Bridgeport or Johnson Mill, which Harvey W. Harmer describes as the first mill in Bridgeport in his Old Grist Mills of Harrison County. This gristmill was constructed by James Anderson sometime between 1771 and 1787 on Simpson Creek.

In the 19th century, farming was the main livelihood, and the stores in town were mostly general stores designed to serve the area farmers. The town also had a blacksmith and a barber (a man born in slavery), several mills, and two hotels. The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad ran through Bridgeport beginning in 1856, eliminating the need for area cattlemen to drive their livestock all the way to Baltimore. They instead drove their herds into Bridgeport to the stock pens at the railroad depot. The stockyards remained until the early 1980s when it was raised and replaced by Rite Aid. Cattle, sheep, hogs, and even turkeys were driven into Bridgeport from area farms to be sold here or driven on to market.

The Bridgeport Lamp Chimney Company was succeeded by the Master Glass Company. The Master Glass Company, a marble factory, moved to Bridgeport in 1941 and in 1950 took over the assets of the Akro-Agate Marble Company of Clarksburg. The company manufactured "glass balls for industrial use, colored signal lenses, toy marbles, glass ball reflectors used in highway signs and guard rail posts, and other products for various industrial uses." The company ceased operations in 1973, and the City of Bridgeport bought the property. The building has been torn down, and the former site of the tannery,

lamp chimney factory, and marble factory is now a parking lot for the Benedum Civic Center.

On June 29, 2006, the city became noted as the site of a showdown over the issue of separation of church and state in the United States. A portrait of Jesus originally hung on a wall at Bridgeport High School. Two parents filed suit in federal court to have the portrait removed, after the Harrison County Board of Education deadlocked over whether to remove the portrait.^[1] The portrait of Jesus was stolen from Bridgeport High School early in the morning on August 17, 2006 and a mirror was put in its place. ^[2]

Bridgeport Landmarks

- Pete Dye Golf Club opened in 1993, rated the number one golf course in WV and number 99 on America's 100 Greatest Golf Courses by Golf Digest.^[3]
- Simpson Creek Baptist Church is recognized as the oldest Baptist church in West Virginia by the West Virginia Baptist Convention and is also generally accepted as being the oldest Protestant church west of the Allegheny Mountains. The first formal records of the church are dated 1774.
- Simpson Creek Covered Bridge located off of Meadowbrook Rd. Built in 1881 by Asa Hugill. One of only two covered bridges that still stand today in Harrison County. This is said to be the namesake of Bridgeport.
- The Bridgeport Lamp Chimney Company Bowstring Concrete Arch Bridge
- The Governor Joseph Johnson House, aka Oakdale

Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson



"Stonewall" Jackson

Thomas Jonathan Jackson was born on January 21, 1824 in Clarksburg, Virginia. He entered West Point in July 1842 and, in spite of his poor childhood education, worked hard to graduate seventeenth in his class in 1846. Upon graduation, Jackson was sent on military duty to Mexico, and continued his service in the United States Army in positions in New York and Florida. In 1851, Jackson became professor of artillery tactics and natural philosophy at Virginia Military Institute in Lexington, Virginia. He resigned from the army as of February 29, 1852.

Jackson's summer vacations from teaching were often spent vacationing in the North and in Europe where his interests were aroused in art and culture rather than military or political aspects. This somewhat calm, domestic period in his life came to a close on April 21, 1861 when he was ordered to go to Richmond as part of the cadet corps. Since military aspirations had faded from his life, he was virtually unknown in this sphere.

It was during the Battle of Bull Run in the Civil War when Jackson assumed his nickname. Amidst the tumult of battle, Brigadier-General Barnard E. Bee stated, "There is Jackson standing like a stone wall." As the war continued, Jackson continually impressed his Confederate compatriots with his skill on the battlefield and in planning conferences. He distinguished himself in the Valley campaign of early 1862, the Battle of second Manassas in August 1862, and the Battle of Fredericksburg in December 1862. Jackson was a Southern hero, and in spite of his eccentricities, he was loved and respected by his soldiers. He strictly observed the Sabbath, and his religiosity was constant in all facets of his life.

On May 2, 1863, in his last march of the Civil War, Jackson was wounded by friendly fire. He died of pneumonia several days later on May 10 at Guiney's Station, Virginia. His body was carried to Richmond and then to Lexington where it was buried. It is said that The Army of Northern Virginia never fully recovered from the loss of Stonewall Jackson's leadership in battle. General Robert E. Lee believed Jackson was irreplaceable.

sources: Dictionary of American Biography

2012quiz

DX QUIZ FOR 2012 CONVENTION IN BRIDGEPORT, WEST VIRGINIA - authored by Frank Merrill

GOOD NEWS FOR YOU: Frank Merrill cannot win this year, because he has a cheat sheet. Mr. Merrill had intended to compete, but both houses of Congress were called into a special session, and the House Of Representatives passed the Frank Merrill Cannot Take The DX Quiz In 2012 Omnibus Act, but it was filibustered in the Senate. President Barack Obama issued an Executive Order to enforce this new law, however. The resulting bicameral [both chambers] censure of Barack Obama failed muster, because it was defeated 45-52 in the Senate by party line vote, with James DeMint (R.-S. C.), Carl Levin (D.-Mich.), and Orrin Hatch (R.-Utah) voting "Present."

I have used these resources as an "authority" for the questions here:
NATIONAL RADIO CLUB'S AM RADIO LOG, 32nd Edition 2011-2012 - for: U. S. A., CANADA
Reception reports, and other news and stuff, in NRC's IDXD (and elsewhere) column during the year 2012 - includes basis for foreign stations, etc.
Personal knowledge of previous parameters/status of radio stations - for: DEFUNCT OR CHANGED STATIONS and other reasons as appropriate.
Occasional Internet resources such as wikipedia.org (example: to find the KXBT call letters in Question #1), Dave Gleason's logbook archives site, fcc.gov, etc..

DX News dated July 9, 2012. [PLEASE DO NOT REFER TO THIS ISSUE WHILE TAKING THE TEST...]

There will be no questions in this quiz reflecting changes which have taken place since publication of Log #32 (and other sources I used). If my intended answer is wrong because of very recent changes of calls, frequency, city or license, etc. and if somebody uses the "NEWER" answer, THAT ANSWER WILL ALSO BE CONSIDERED OK..

SCORING POINTS ON THIS-HERE KWIZ:

THE FIRST FIFTY QUESTIONS are 1 Point each..

QUESTIONS 51 THROUGH 70 are 2 Points each.

QUESTIONS 71 AND 72 are 5 Points each.

TIE-BREAKER QUESTION is 5½ Points (and, no, I didn't use this opportunity to ask a question about 550, so you have only 117 guesses left, hi!!)

TOTAL POINTS ON REGULAR QUIZ: 100, **BEFORE** the tie-breaker.

With the exception of call letters when requested (which must be exact), misspellings are OK if the intent is obvious - such as "skenectidy" or "Cudad Juraez."

FIRST, LET'S TAKE A DX'ING TRIP DOWN THE DIAL and, occasionally, through the portals of time and space:

THE 1600's:

1. I believe that Vallejo CA's KDIA-1640 is the only US station that has operated on two upper frequencies. What other Freq. did it briefly occupy (as KXBT)? _____
2. Name the City of License of **BOTH** full-service Canadians operating on 1610. [1 point for BOTH, but 0 POINTS FOR ONE CORRECT] _____
3. What is the name (nombre; slogan) of the Cuban station on 1620 which has been reported by a few DX'ers? "Radio _____."
4. Many years ago, before the USA/Canada had any "normal" radio stations above 1600, what faraway nation began the trend, with stations running LESS THAN 1kw, providing rare logging opportunities for a number of very fortunate DX'ers? _____

THE 1500's:

5. Very recently (15 July 2012) there was a successful IRCA-attributed DX TEST from

2012quiz

THE 1100's:

21. KFAB-1110 Omaha is one of many stations which run the VILE and unfortunate unabashed CRAAAAAAP-for-transmitting-brains, known as IBOC, which is the worst violator of BCB-DX'ing in our lifetimes. What 4-word term does IBOC abbreviate? _____

22. The rather unlikely S. E. Europe nation of CROATIA is actually one of the, uh, "easier??" TA's to log deep into North America. What frequency do we hear? _____

23. In this range, name the only full-50 kw U. S. CALLSIGN which stands for a 3-WORD City/State location. Don't you DARE miss this one, hi! _____

24. After the unfortunate downgrade of WOWO-1190 Fort Wayne, what is their current nighttime power now, in Watts or Kw? _____

THE 1000's:

25. If you're listening to polkas on HJCG, Radio Santa Fe, Bogota...what frequency will show on the readout (or guessed with an analog dial)? _____

25a. If you REALLY think you're hearing polkas on this station, get off the acid, man...

26. What is the CITY of license (STATE/ESTADO isn't necessary) for XEHL-1010? (It's one of my favorite place names, but that won't really help.)

27. What was the callsign for 1050 New York *BETWEEN* the time it had the WHN calls ('til the 1950's), and the return of the WHN calls (in the 1960's)? _____

28. What is the city of license in Virginia, for WRAR-1000? (Be careful of the initial first letter!) _____

THE 900's:

29. What dial frequency includes KHTY, KFTA, WBLF, and KIXL among its inhabitants?

30. What is the city of license for the only remaining full service Canadian station on 910? (This is tough, there used to be many more...)

31. 2UE-950 Sydney, Australia moved to what current frequency in 1978, when the current frequency allocation plan became effective? _____

32. A long-standing suburban radio station serves Portland, Oregon on 910, from what city? _____

THE 800's:

33. What frequency has, by far, the most Canadian LPRT's (Low Power Relay Transmitters) in this range, or possibly anywhere on the entire dial? _____

34. What is the very unusual "Antenna Code" (such as D1, L3, U7, U3, etc.) for KICY-850 Nome, Alaska? Scott, get this wrong. Popeye an' I dares ya! :p

35. What was the name of the cool overnight guy who played oldies, ran "reverse gotcha" contests, etc. on WHAS Louisville 840 a generation ago? _____

36. Which of the United Kingdom "countries" is home to the strongest UK station operating on 810? (Perhaps the only one. I'm not sure.) _____

THE 700 Club???:

37. What heritage station in this range (700-790) is simply known as "The Big One"? (Call letters AND city are both necessary) _____

2012quiz

68. Even in the 1960s, it was possible (EVERY NIGHT!! after Texas s/off) to hear "La voz de Rio Cauca" HJED in Cali. What frequency was this on (and still is)?

69. What have been the current (since 2003) call letters in Muncie, Indiana on 990? Don't "werk" too hard on this (and, no, that's not a hint). _____

70. How many full service ("normal" - excluding possible LPRT's) AM/BCB stations currently operate at Prince Edward Island? _____

QUINTUPLE JEOPARDY! These questions are worth FIVE points each, and they're meant to be tough.

71. You started DX'ing in 1988, and your totals on a frequency include loggings from Atlantic City, Daytona Beach, and Chattanooga. What frequency is this?

72. Name the FIVE frequencies in the Omaha area which have most recently hosted the call letters KOIL. (Yes, the oldest goes back before March 1941...)

SCORING: One point TOTAL for any three correct...and TWO POINTS EACH for the fourth and fifth correct. No points if fewer than 3 frequencies correct.

NOTE: All five of these are after the original KOIL-1080 in Council Bluffs, which hopped the river (and went to the oldest of these 5 frequencies) in 1937.

TIE BREAKER QUESTION:

Are you now, or have you ever been, a member of the Communi...oh, wait...WRONG PAGE!

What NON-GRAVEYARD frequency has stations in Springfield, Camden, Jackson, Mount Vernon, and Albany?

2012answers

Comments in brackets or parentheses are NOT NECESSARY (or, in some cases, wrong!) for the answers. In the case of #21, it allows alternative, creative answers.

1. 1630
2. Montreal, Toronto
3. Rebelde.
4. Australia. (The part "less than 1kw" eliminates another answer Argentina, also because I no longer remember whether they preceded Elizabeth NJ 1660.)
5. WGBW; Denmark WI
6. Two Rivers WI
7. Classical (or any answer that obviously intends this)
8. 1540 [XEHOS, WJJT, WTXY]
9. WACO, in Waco!
10. Greenville, SC. [WGVL] [the "close call" is, by the way, WHKZ Warren, Ohio which is perhaps 40 miles farther east, if that.]
11. WIL (and for those who are really worried about that fluffy kitty, it doesn't die if somebody here CAN'T come up with these call letters, either - so if you or your neighbor couldn't remember these calls, all that's lost is one Point, and the cute kitty lives to see Monday..)
12. 1400, 1450, 1490.
13. 1350
14. Newfoundland
15. Calera, Alabama
16. Arkansas
17. 1200
18. KNDI
19. No.
20. Edmonton [Alberta]
21. In-band, On-Channel (formatting/punctuation not important - and, if somebody DOES answer something like "It Blocks Other Carriers," PLEASE award the Point!)
22. 1134 (and it doesn't count if some smart-ass says something like "It depends on the frequency response of their transmitter, and the receiving equipment, and whether you have hearing damage" HI!!)
23. WWVA [Wheeling, West Virginia] - as I said, you'd

2012answers

- better not miss this! 24. 9,800 or 9.8 kw
25. 1070 26. Guadalajara [Jalisco] 27. WMGM 28. Tappahannock [NOTE: a Rappahannock-type spelling, which is their river, does NOT count for this.]
29. 970 30. Drumheller [Alberta] 31. 954 32. Vancouver [Washington]
33. 860 34. U10 [directional during Critical Hours only!] 35. Joe Donovan [last name only is also OK, as it is on Jeopardy] 36. Scotland
37. WLW Cincinnati. [700] 38. Jamaica [RJR = Radio Jamaica Rediffusion] 39. The Great Lakes 40. WJAG-780 [Norfolk]
41. f 42. Chadron, Nebraska 43. XEFB 44. The Navajo Nation
45. turks and Caicos [Islands] 46. 540 47. 580 and 590
48. KFYZ, Bismarck [North Dakota]
49. All these stations were on 1050, in 1960!!! 50. San Diego [the nearby major city for some of these frequencies, is Tijuana.]
51. [ANY marking of any kind is an acceptable answer.]
52. KIXZ
53. Brooklyn [New York City is also acceptable]
54. Sparks (sharing its name with a really cool band from the Seventies - haha!! Paul Mount, we wish you were here.)
55. 1440
56. Shawn Axelrod
57. Phil Bytheway [Hey, this wasn't supposed to be hard at all...I gave you guys a big fat HINT!!! hi!]

2012answers

58. "What have you got Toulouse?" hehehe
59. Volume 79
60. KDKA
61. Omaha [Nebraska]
62. Perseus
63. 630
64. Haiti
65. Hallicrafters
66. KTGG
67. WOW [590, Omaha]
68. 820
69. WRFM
70. NONE!!!!

71. 1450 is the only frequency common to all three places. [NOT A COMPLETE LIST: Atlantic City: 1340, 1450, 1490. Daytona: 1340, 1450. Chattanooga: 1450, 1490.]

With Chattanooga and Daytona Beach covered, 1150 ALSO falls one short of also being a valid answer.

72. MUST GET AT LEAST THREE OF THESE for one point: 1260 (before the March 1941 band expansion), 1290, 1180, 1620, currently 1020. (1180, 1620 may be out of sequence)

Getting 4 correct = 3 points. Getting all 5 correct = 5 points.

TIE BREAKER QUESTION: 1590 [WDBL/Tennessee, WCAM/South Carolina, WZRK/Mississippi, WRCY/Indiana, WALG/Georgia.]