

KGAK

P. O. Box 1231
GALLUP, NEW MEXICO

Dear Sir:

This will QSL your DX report dated Dec. 7, 1962 12:03 - 12:18 AM MST. reporting reception of KGAK programs or frequency check.

KGAK operates 5 kw non-directional daytime, switching at local sundown to 1 kw directional, with the bi-directional lobes roughly WNW and ESE from our three-tower array located near Gamarco, a small village just north of Gallup. Our XMTR is a Collins 21-E, the antenna system by Andrew. Sign-on is at 6 am MST, except Sunday, 7 am MST, and sign-off is at 11 pm MST.


Established in 1946, and thereby one of the first BC stations in the Western part of New Mexico, KGAK has from its inception offered broadcast service to members of the Navajo Indian Tribe, whose reservation lies west of us in New Mexico and Arizona. Today, 5 hours (1-6 pm MST) are devoted to broadcasts in the Navajo Language; this serves 85,000 Navajo people with information and entertainment in their own tongue. We also broadcast in Spanish, 8-9 pm MST.

During August each year, Gallup is host to visitors from around the world at the Intertribal Indian Ceremonial, a festival of American Indian dances, songs, and arts and crafts. The Ceremonial Association here in Gallup would be very happy to supply you with more information, and we would be happy to have you visit our studios at 401 East Coal Avenue when you are in Gallup.

Our monthly FC is usually followed by a test of our 250 w auxiliary XMTR, and the auxiliary is usually checked each Friday morning at 12 midnight (0200 EST). Thank you again for sending your report.

73,

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Samuel M. Lombardi
CHIEF ENGINEER

I once asked a DXER in my home town to
call my parents and say that he heard me. However
he did not want to expend the effort to raise the
phone on my behalf so since then I do not
answer this type letter with any great haste.

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