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CPC Test Schedule

CHSJ	700	NB	April 6	0215, 0316
KSUB	590	UT	April 20	0200-0700

CHSJ-700 - PO Box 2000 - St. John, NB E2L 3T4 Canada will transmit code IDs and an aural "DX Test" announcement on Monday April 6th at precisely 0215 and 0316 ELT. Reports should be sent to Mr. Ian Cameron, Program Director and Technical Manager. The station will be leaving the AM band as soon as their "FM transmitter is accepted by Industry Canada" (quoting Mr. Cameron from CHSJ). Arranged via phone by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.

KSUB-590 - PO Box 819 - Cedar City, UT 84721-0819 will conduct CPC testing on the morning of Monday, April 20 between 0200 and 0700 ELT (a minimum of two announcements per hour, times unknown, so listen closely). They will be using their nighttime facilities of 1000 watts and directional (butterfly) pattern. Reports should be sent to Mr. Don Blanchard, Engineer; positive reports will be sent a QSL card. Arranged by Bill Hale for the NRC CPC.

NRC Convention - San Antonio '98 ... Dale Hamm is hard at work planning a plethora of events for the NRC convention. To receive a packet of convention info, you can send a card to John Bowker, 1811 Fort Duquesna Drive, Sun City Center, FL 33573. More to come next issue.

X-Band ... Tim Hall says that WTDY-1480 Madison, WI, which is moving to 1670, should be testing in early April and plans to go fulltime April 13.

Message board ... for CANADIAN DX'ers, via Shawn Axelrod:

<<<http://www.INSIDETheWeb.com/messageboard/mbs.cgi/mb55234>>>

ANARC ... The Association of North American Radio Clubs (ANARC) announced that Dan Ferguson was the recipient of its annual DX'er of the Year award for outstanding contributions to the listening hobby. Dan has been an active DX'er and shortwave listener for over three decades. Among his many contributions to the listening hobby are Shortwave Logbook editor for the North American Shortwave Association ("NASWA"), Newsroom editor for NASWA, publisher for NASWA, and founder of Fine Tuning. Today Dan

is best known for his work with the Voice of America. Our heartiest congratulations to Dan on his award.

From the publisher ... Dave Schmidt is in the process of moving to take a different job, so until he gets settled in, please send your Musings to the publisher in Topeka (Dave, or his wife, will forward others sent to Wilmington and as yet unpublished.)

Commencing with the next DXN, the pub schedule is monthly through September, so make sure that your reports to the DX columns are timely; month-old loggings have minimal value, and older reports are usually discarded by the editors.

Finally, a special thanks to Mike Sanburn, who has taken much time and effort to photocopy thousands of station logos in sizes that can be used in DXN; thanks also to other members who continue to send in logos.

DXN Publishing Schedule, Volume 65

Iss.	Deadline	Pub. Date	Iss.	Deadline	Pub. Date
25.	Apr. 10	Apr. 20	28.	July 10	July 20
26.	May 8	May 18	29.	Aug. 7	Aug. 17
27.	June 5	June 15	30.	Sept. 11	Sept. 21

DX Time Machine

From the pages of *DX News*:

50 years ago ... from the March 27, 1948 DXN: Ernie Cooper of Brooklyn, NY reported his "best 1340 catch of the season when KRJF came riding in over all-nighter WEXL and WHHM on test, hitting 5-6 and on top!" From the April 3 DXN: It was reported that the Midwestern DX'ers Get-Together in Cedar Rapids, IA on the April 10 weekend would feature visits to WMT-600 and KCRG-1600. One-hour programs, including DX'er participation, would be prepared at each station, to be aired by WMT on April 14 and KCRG on April 20, both at 4:00-5:00 am, EST.

25 years ago ... from the April 1, 1973 DXN: Hank Wilkinson, N. Hollywood, CA, tuned in the Marshall Is. station at 3:49 am EST on March 12.

10 years ago ... from the April 1, 1988 DXN: This issue marked the last of the April Fool's issues ... Al Merriman, Annandale, VA was cleaning out his DX shack, offering an HQ-180A, an SB-620 Scanalyzer, a Heathkit GD-125 Q-multiplier, a Torrestronics Digital Readout, a Hammarlund speaker, various audio filters and equipment, a Palomar LW converter, a Martens loop, a first edition NRC Log, and 1981-'87 WRTH's; he was looking for a Drake R7A in mint condition.

AM Switch

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Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC and listeners

CALL LETTER CHANGES

	Old call		New call
550	KENI	AK Anchorage	KTZN
550	WTLI	NC Statesville	WIST
570	WTEM	MD Bethesda	WWRC
580	KBKK	ID Nampa	KFXD*
650	KYAK	AK Anchorage	KENI
790	WPIQ	GA Brunswick	WSFN
980	WWRC	DC Washington	WTEM
1150	KKEY	OR Portland	KKGT
1280	KDOL	NV Henderson	KDOX
1300	WXLX	PA West Hazelton	WILP*
1400	*New	WY Casper	KSPW
1470	KRKI	CO Estes Park	KEZZ
1600	KMJM	MO St. Louis	KATZ
1620	*New	IN South Bend	WJVA
1620	*New	NM Farmington	KBAG
1620	*New	VI Frederiksted	WDHP
1620	*New	WA Renton	KYIZ
1630	*New	TX Fort Worth	KBCM
1640	KXBT	CA Vallejo	KDIA*
1670	*New	GA Warner Robins	WAXP
1680	*New	NJ Princeton	WAXK
1690	*New	MD Lexington Park	WAZC
1700	*New	NH Rochester	WAYU
1700	*New	TX Brownsville	KQXX

*Notes: KBKK-580 change to KFXD corrects a change made in error by the FCC. KBKK was never used (see Notes, Issue 21). WXLX-1300 change to WILP was noted in AMS in 1996, but through a glitch this change is not reflected in the NRC Log 18th edition. KXBT confirms that the change to KDIA is for both the 1190 and 1640 stations (see Notes, Issue 21).

APPLICATIONS/GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

790	KJRB	WA Spokane: 5000/3800 U4 (requesting replacement of expired CP)
1210	KUBR	TX San Juan: 10000/5000 U4 (requesting replacement of expired CP)
1220	WGNV	NY Newburgh: 5000/180 U3 (station plans to stay on 1220 kHz, see Otherness, Issue 21)
1240	WJIM	MI Lansing: reduce power to 890/890 (requesting replacement of expired CP)
1260	KLYC	OR McMinnville: 1000/850 U2 (requesting replacement of expired CP)
1360	WNNJ	NJ Newton: 2000/320 U4 (requesting replacement of expired CP)
1470	WCLA	GA Claxton: 1000/170 U1
1510	KGA	WA Spokane: antenna to U4
1560	KLTI	MO Macon: 1000/41 U1

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

760	CKQR	BC Castlegar: to FM (frequency not specified)
850	WREF	CT Ridgefield: 2500/500 U2 (modification of AP for 25000/500 U4)
1080	WNWI	IN Valparaiso: 1900 D1, relocate transmitter, city of license to Oak Lawn, IL
1230	KRSY	NM Roswell: 800/800 U1, relocate transmitter site
1230	CJTT	ON New Liskeard: to 104.5 FM
1290	WNBN	MS Meridian: 2500/91 U1
1390	CJCY	AB Medicine Hat: to 96.1 FM
1400	WANI	AL Opelika: relocate transmitter site



1480 WCIN OH Cincinnati: 1300/250 U4, relocate transmitter

OTHERNESS

590	CFNL	BC Fort Nelson: station is SILENT, moved to 102.3
660	KSKY	TX Balch Springs: CP for 10000/660 U2 is on
840	KABN	AK Long Island: station is SILENT
930	WAUR	IL Sandwich: CP for 2500/4200 U4 is on
1080	WNWI	IN Valparaiso: silent station is ON THE AIR (but has not yet made the move to Oak Lawn, IL; see Grants above)
1090	KAJK	CA Fortuna: station is SILENT
1120	WMSW	PR Hatillo: CP for 2600/5000 U2 is on
1150	KBAI	CA Morro Bay: license CANCELLED, call DELETED (station was bought by Jacor so it could be taken off to make room for the 50000/44000 U4 power increase at KXTA-1150 Los Angeles, CA)
1240	WGCM	MS Gulfport: CP for new transmitter site is on
1240	CJCDNWT	Yellowknife: station is SILENT, moved to 100.1
1310	KIQQ	CA Barstow: silent station is ON THE AIR
1340	WAGR	NC Lumberton: station is SILENT
1350	KBBL	AR Cabot: station is SILENT
1350	KDIO	MN Ortonville: CP for 670/38 U1 is on
1380	KMUS	OK Muskogee: station is SILENT
1440	KKXL	ND Grand Forks: silent station is ON THE AIR (had been silent since the 1997 flood)
1480	WBTS	AL Bridgeport: station is SILENT
1520	WTLM	AL Opelika: station is missing from NRC Log #18, please add: WTLM Opelika, AL 5000 D3, Box 2329, 36803
1550	WDLR	OH Delaware: has applied for direct measurement of antenna power, an insignificant application except that it most likely indicates this silent station has plans to return to the air
1570	CKTA	AB Taber: application to move to 1090 kHz has been DISMISSED



THANKS: Wayne Heinen, Perry Crabill, John Hanz, Ed Krejny, Al Merriman, Les Johnson, Ed Erickson, and MSJ

73 and Good DX, Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

Jerry & BKF

Are you expiring?

We hope not! To avoid expiration, mail your remittance to the *DX News* Membership Center early. Allow at least three weeks after mailing your check or money order for new renewal data to appear on your mailing label.

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Domestic DX Digest

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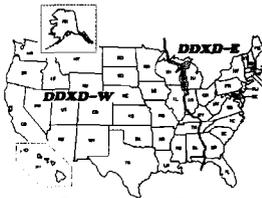
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between East and
Central time zones)



DDXD-West

MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- Okay. I messed up again. And with the same address. For Neil Adams' home page, to get his Medium Wave Viewer, go to <http://www.concentric.net/~nsadams>
- MYSTERY SOLVED!! John Wilkins reports "The foreign-language station on 550 kHz [see Issue 18] is ... XEPL! I'm still pretty sure language is German, though it's hard to tell, since it's spoken with an accent of some sort. Is there a German community in that corner of the world? This is weird!"
- Rod O'Connor relays an article from the *Anchorage Daily News* that as of March 9th KENI-AM 550 moved its talk format to 650 kHz, while the 550 spot became KTZN 'The Zone', carrying a 24-hour sports format with the national ESPN feed as well as local sports play-by-play, making it Anchorage's second all-sports station. Coloradan Pat Griffith relays the following: "As you may recall KBCO has been dark since around early January when Jacor donated the license and transmitter to the University of Colorado in Boulder. UC has been broadcasting for several years as a carrier current AM and a cable system FM using the call sign KUCB but failed in several previous attempts to obtain an 'over the air' license. They have also been frequently 'at odds' with the school itself over many issues such as a 'strip poker' style nude broadcast and their present slogan 'Progressive as Hell'. I spoke with KUCB General Manager Katy Mayo today and she stated that they are still trying to work out format, governing, budgeting and engineering questions but expect to have 1190 back on the air by the target date of August 15th. By the way the FCC database does reflect the change in ownership to The University of Colorado Foundation."
- The offer is still good ... for \$6.00, I'll send you a personalized table showing all the Graveyard stations and their distance and bearing from you. If you don't have a ZIP code, please include precise geographic coordinates! Mail the request to here.
- Word was received on Tuesday (3/17) that the KKSA-1260 CPC Test was not run as scheduled due to bodacious thunder storms going through the area. I can attest to the storm activity personally! The test was rescheduled for April 6th (too late for publication, but word was sent via e-mail to as many members as possible). I have not relayed reports of those who reported the 3/16 as a negative-heard, so let's hope this one made it.

REPORTERS

- FA-ID Frank Aden Boise FRG-7 with 4 foot box loop <wvl123a@prodigy.com>
 SA-MB Shawn Axelrod Winnipeg ICOM ICR-70 & Drake R8, MFJ 1026 phasing unit + 4 foot unamplified box loop / Quantum Loop, 145 foot outdoor wire / 100 foot indoor wire <saxelrod@mb.sympatico.ca>
 RD-IA Rick Dau Iowa City Sony ICF-2010 <iowarocker@hotmail.com>
 BK-CA Bob Karchevski Sunnyvale R8-A/4' box loop/MFJ-1026mw <karchev@nortel.ca>
 PG-CO Pat Griffith Federal Heights GE Superadio III <n0nnk@webtv.net>
 GJ-CA Gary Jackson Sacramento Yaesu FRG-8800 + Kiwa Loop
 TJ-SD Terry Jones Plankinton DX-390 + Q-Stick
 CR-CO Craig Rathbone, N0BSA Denver Sony 2010 & KIWA loop <dixer@aol.com>
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 JR-OK John Reed Ponca City Sylvania R1414/URR + noise-reduced wire, Palomar loop, MFJ-1025 phaser <jtreed@poncacity.net>
 JJR-WI John J. Rieger South Milwaukee FRG100, MFJ 959B Tuner-Preamp, Timewave DSP 599zx Audio Noise Reduction Filter (NEW TOY!), Kiwa loop <johnrieger@webtv.net>
 RT-CA Rich Toebe Concord Sony 2010, Radio West loop <richtoebe@jps.net>

- VALDX Shawn M. Axelrod, Wayne McRae & Larry Shewchuk DXing at Valhalla Beach 3- ICOM ICR-70s, MFJ 1026 phasing units + 11 long wires and Beverages south/ west/ east/ northeast <saxelrod@mb.sympatico.ca>
 EW-NE Ernie Wesolowski Omaha
 INet Chip Kelley <<http://www.metronet.com/~chipk/Texas/TXradio.html>>
 Ed.-TX Editor North Richland Hills ICF-2010 unleashed

SPECIAL

- 580 KFXD ID Nampa - 3/25 - Went to new format today. Is now country; Classic Country. (FA-ID)
 860 KTRB CA Modesto - 3/17 - Noted while on AM commute that this semi-local pest changed format from *La Picosita* to relay 107.5 KMPH Hanford-Fresno. Slogans are either *Newsradio* or *Newsradio 107.5* and *Newsradio 8-60*. (RT-CA)
 KTRB CA Modesto - 3/26 0138-0201 - Now with news in EE, lots of short features from CBS Network. Often IDs as *News Radio 1-0-7 point 5 FM* and *News Radio 8-60 AM*. Legal ID on the hour KTRB 8-60 Modesto, Stockton, Sacramento. (BK-CA)
 950 KAHl CA Auburn - They plan to go to 1620 kHz by September, making 8 or 9 X-Banders in California. Ouch! How did this happen??? (GJ-CA)
 (KDSX) TX Sherman - 3/26 - Has been silent for at least three weeks. Continued attempts to contact them had only reached a machine. [Ed.-TX]
 1150 KXTA CA Los Angeles - 3/12 2300 - Now on with 50 kW power. Announcers bragged about it, and of their *Extra Sports Radio Network*. Asked for calls from Santa Barbara, their newest affiliate. Good signal, slight fading. Much better than before! Used *Extra Sports 11-50* as local slogan. Did not give calls on hour. (RT-CA) [FCC database says they are U4 50000/44000 - Ed.]

AM 1270 WTSN

A Place to Talk and a Place to Listen

- 1230 WLLR IL Moline - Is now // WLLR-FM 103.7 with C&W and IDs as the new 103.7 WLLR. This follows WLLR-FM's frequency swap with KUUL at 1300 ELT on 3/2. (RD-IA)
 1340 KXXT? CA Santa Barbara - 3/13 0100-0110 - Is assumed here, as never heard calls but definitely heard the *Extra Sports Radio Network* fading over and under jumble on frequency. (RT-CA)
 1450 KSNY TX Snyder - 3/14 - Changed from oldies to classic rock with *Variety 1450* slogan. (INet)
 1470 WCFJ IL Chicago Heights - 3/22 1444 - Fair, with Greek language program // 1240 WSBC. WCFJ now simulcasts WSBC, since it was purchased by *Newsweb Corp.* Was silent for a while. (CR-IL)
 1510 WLRB IL Macomb - Dumped the talk format on 3/1 in favor of oldies off the bird. IDs as *Good times and great oldies*. Which satellite is that? (RD-IA)
 KGLF TX Robstown - Now // KFLZ-106.9 Bishop. Continues SS:REL and *Radio Libertad*. (INet)
 1670 WTDY? WI Madison - Weak signal heard. WTDY testing??? (GJ-CA)

UNIDs and UNID HELP

- 1050 WTKA MI Ann Arbor - This could be Shawn and Wayne's unID from Issue 20. I dunno if they played on Feb. 14 or not, but mentions of "Wolverines" and "Wildcats" would seem to suggest a game between Michigan and Northwestern. And, of course, Ann Arbor is where the U of M Wolverines are located. (RD-IA)
 1450 UNID ?? - 3/14 0638 - Mexican music and SS talk. Who in northern mid-west is doing this format? (SA-MB)

DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 560 WGAI+ NC Elizabeth City - 3/15 0109 and 0118 - Weak, with low-pitched code IDs. KWTO, WIND, and WHBQ were really duking it out. (RD-IA)
 WGAI- NC Elizabeth City - 3/15 0100-0130 - DX Test; nothing heard that sounded like a test. (FA-ID) 3/15 0100 - Not heard; only WIND. (SA-MB)
 850 KICY- AK Nome - 3/2 - KOA very strong, with a Mexican heard most of the time under. At first sounded like an Oriental, so called KICY and left word on the answering machine. Ken Chatterton later told me that CKVL was

testing with a DT at times, in at his QTH. Taped the entire hour, but no luck. (EW-NE)

- 1430 WNAV? MD Annapolis - 3/16 0023 - Heard someone here with TTs from 0023-0025 and again at 0028. No way to tell whether or not it was them without a solid ID. Kept getting buried by WRTH and WMYS. (RD-IA)
- WNAV- MD Annapolis - 3/16 0000-0100 - DX test; nothing heard, under KLO, that sounded like a test. (FA-ID) -3/17 0000 - Not heard; only WRTH, CHKT, KEZW, and KRGL. (SA-MB) - 3/16 0002-0050 - Local KVVN a big problem although talk in Vietnamese not as bad as music. Could hear some EE talk and SS talk underneath but not identified. No tones or code heard. (BK-CA)



TIS & OTHER STUFF

- 530WPIN400 CA Earlimart - Station reported as testing on 2/14 and 2/16 has been IDed as this CalTrans TIS/HAR station. (GJ-CA)
- 1610WNXY470 CA San Francisco IAP - 3/17 0600 - Giving parking information and mention of Highways 280 and 101. (GJ-CA)
- 1610 TISCO Aspen - 3/21 2127 - Poor signal, with talk about Aspen and area. ID as AM 16-10. (VAL-DX)
- 1610 TISKS Various sites - 3/21 2023 - Fair signal, with info on the Kansas turnpike. (VAL-DX)
- 1620WNWZ910 IL Bensenville - 3/17 2330 - Noted with open carrier. Since then noted off the air completely. Still off as of 3/23. (CR-IL)
- WNYB218 IL Glen Ellyn - 3/17 2334 - Poor, through WPHG and WNWZ910's open carrier, with ID and municipal announcements. (CR-IL)
- 1640WPLR660 TX Dallas-Ft. Worth IAP - 3/17 2337 - Fair, with flight info. (CR-IL)
- 1670WHI392 TX Midlothian - Verified by letter from Midlothian Fire Department. Said only 3.5 watts. They get out for that little power. (GJ-CA)
- 1680WPLR660 TX Dallas-Ft. Worth IAP - 3/17 2338 - Fair, with flight info. (CR-IL)

MIDNIGHT TO 0800 HOURS ELT

- 540 KNOE LA Monroe - 3/17 0745 - Farm news with call ID. Last heard in 1995. (JR-OK)
- 550 KOY AZ Phoenix - 3/17 0735 - NOS music, call ID and traffic reports from *KOY in the Sky*. New here. (JR-OK)
- 570 WVMI MS Biloxi - 2/23 0625-0645 - Fair, on peaks, with CNN Headline News, plus local ads and "WVMI" IDs during breaks. Not new, but lately it's been in most nights from 0000 to 0700 after not having been heard from for a few years. Transmitter out of whack, maybe? (RD-IA)
- 580 CKAP ON Kapuskasing - 3/22 0008 - Poor signal under partially-phased CKY, with country music and local ads. (VAL-DX)
- 600 WMT IA Cedar Rapids - 3/25 0558+ - Fighting with usual KTBB, with local announcements, a nice legal ID at :59:50 and into network (?) news. New here. [Ed.-TX]
- 640 WCRB TN Collierville - 3/19 0730 - Ads for Collierville area, religious talk. Last heard in 1996. (JR-OK)
- 700 KSEV TX Tomball - 3/11 0756 - Sports talk, call ID. Normally WLW dominates this frequency, but was not heard due to auroral conditions. New here. (JR-OK)
- 710 LA KEEL Shreveport - 3/19 0750 - Ad for Louisiana Lottery with ID 71 KEEL. Traffic reports and sports news. (JR-OK)
- 730 KBSU ID Boise - 2/11 0300 - Fair signal, with AOL and some Spanish. Many ads for California. The top of the hour ID mentioned many stations, AM & FM in several states. (CR-CO) [Ads!?! On a college station? Musta been on some network - Ed.]
- KKDA TX Grand Prairie - 2/11 0334 - Full ID, just under KBSU and others. New. (CR-CO)
- 820 WYPA IL Chicago - 3/13 0756 - Talk on finances, stack purchases with call ID. New here. (JR-OK)
- 940 KXTK IA Des Moines - 3/18 0755 - Talk with call ID. Used to be KIOA. ABC News, then ID *Stimulating Talk 940 KXTK*. (JR-OK)
- 950 KXJK AR Forrest City - 3/20 0735 - Call ID, sports news. Weak in loop null of KJRG(KS). New here. (JR-OK)



- 1030 KCTA TX Corpus Christi - 3/22 0653 - With OC, then sign-on announcement in EE. Into SS REL program which lasted to 0712, then abruptly into another REL program, this one with female announcer. But after about 15 seconds, inserted a quick legal ID, and back to program. Either a computer foul up, or a human one. New here. [Ed.-TX]
- 1130 KLEY KS Wellington - 2/14 0000 - Strong signal; has been strong at night this year. May be running more power. Ads for John Deere in Caldwell and for Ohio National Life. UPI news and then the UBN network. Doesn't sound like 1 watt. (CR-CO)
- 1210 KREW WA Sunnyside - 3/22 0725 - Good signal, with NOS/Adult Standards music and IDs. Rare here. (VALDX)
- 1260 WIBV IL Belleville - 3/16 0203 - Local news, sports and weather, then into rerun of an Art Bell program. (PG-CO)
- KVSF NM Santa Fe - 3/16 0121 - One-on-One sports program with scores and telephone calls @ 1-800-777-2907. (PG-CO)
- 1380 KKWK MO St. Louis - 3/21 0650 - Snuck in between fades with a CL ID and chit-chat. Seemed to be playing soft AC tunes, but can't confirm. [Ed.-TX]
- 1450 KVCK MT Wolf Point - 3/14 0555 - Good signal, with oldies music into clear ID and into ABC News. Are they 24 hours now? Times in LOG are different. (SA-MB)
- KVOW WY Riverton - 3/22 0655 - Sign on. New time; not as per NRC LOG. (VAL-DX)
- 1590 WVNA AL Tusculumbia - 2/9 0332 - Fair signal during ID. CL and city and state with the slogan The Sports Leader. A big surprise. New. (CR-CO)
- KLFE WA Seattle - 2/10 0258 - REL music. ID with station address. Fair, with fading, mixing with KLLL and KCNN. (CR-CO)

0800 TO 1600 HOURS ELT

- 830 KOTC MO Kennett - 3/13 0800 - C&W with call ID and *Cotton Country*. Last heard in 1996 during auroral conditions. (JR-OK)

1600 TO 2400 HOURS ELT

- 690 WTIK LA New Orleans - 3/17 2030 - Call ID, sports call-in talk, in phase null of KGGF(KS). (JR-OK)
- KOAQ NE Terrytown - 3/21 2055 - Fair signal, with Colorado Rockies baseball and ID. (VAL-DX)
- 1090 WNVY FL Cantonment - 2/22 1926 - Rose out of the muck, with ID: . . . WNVY, *Cantonment-Pensacola*. (RD-IA)
- WKTE NC King - 2/21 1913 - Good, with bluegrass music show and ad for used car dealership on Highway 601 in Mount Airy. (RD-IA)
- 1190 WBSL MS Bay St. Louis - 3/18 2130 - Good at times, with Mississippi Sea Wolves hockey. Check of the station's website showed this and an FM station as the only ones on the network. First time heard with all-sports format. (RD-IA)
- 1270 WFRN IN Elkhart - 3/21 1932 - Local basketball finals and several IDs. NEW. (VAL-DX)
- 1290 KWFS TX Wichita Falls - 3/21 2125 - Call ID and *Real Country*, playing C&W oldies. Strong signal for 73 watts night power. (JR-OK)
- 1350 KGHF CO Pueblo - 3/22 2048 - NOS music with call ID and *Playing great memories*. (JR-OK)
- 1380 KBWD TX Brownwood - 3/15 2050 - Playing oldies with call ID. Last heard in 1996. (JR-OK)
- 1400 WDWS IL Champaign - 3/8 2304 - Fair, after news with mention of . . . *Champaign's original* . . . in local ad. Good enough for me to count it! (RD-IA)
- 1480 KKCQ MN Fosston - 3/20 1935 - Fair signal, in surprise fade-up, with *Q Country 96.7FM keeping you company 24 hours a day with 25000 watts of power!* Unneeded, but not common here. (JJR-WI)
- 1500 WGEN IL Geneseo - 3/21 1950 - Oldies music and dual ID for AM and FM. Over KSTP at times. (VALDX)
- 1510 KFNN AZ Mesa - 2/21 1959 - Weak, with CLs heard during legal ID. (RD-IA)
- 1620 WPHG AL Atmore - 3/20 2320 - Poor, with stock market report, *Point of View*, weather. Very weak, with deep fades. First-time with positive ID at 2359. (TJ-SD)

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

1400 kHz:Miles

KIUN TX Pecos Tim Hall Chula Vista, CA 800

DDXD-East

Upcoming deadlines for DDXD-East are monthly now, still on Tuesdays: April 7, May 5.

Steven Druzak reports that the CBC has started advertising the departures of CBM and CBF from 940 and 690, respectively, to FM, with a series of billboards. On-air announcements on CBM indicate that 940 will cease operations in September.

Steve Kennedy notes: "To those who wondered what happened to the syndicated Alan Colmes show, it's gone. He now hosts a talk show on WEVD-1050 New York 2300-0200."

Dale Park sends these Eastern stations announced on the air as new network members: WORC-1310 for Tom Leykis (3/12), and WMIQ-1450 for Coast to Coast AM with Art Bell (3/23).

A nice turnout of reporters this week. Your editor has been working a ridiculous number of hours lately, but hopes to join in the DX'ing fun again in a couple more weeks.

STATION NEWS

- 570 WWRC MD Bethesda** - 3/12 1045 - Now all-business, Bloomberg Radio network, swap with WTEM-980. Caps hockey seems to still be here, at least when 980 has conflicts. Does DC really need three all-business stations? (DB*VA/DE)
- WGOW NEWS/TALK 1150** + 3/13 0713 - CNN news, "WWRC Business Radio," also ID's as "WRC" at times. Ex-WTEM. (PC-VA)
- WMCA NY New York** - 3/15 0105 - Noted with ID's for WMCA and WPAT- 930, Jewish program // 930. (BC-NH)
- 690 WZAP VA Bristol** - 3/5 - 11373 Wallace Pike address is no longer valid; you must use P. O. Box 369. Full ZIP code is 24203-0369. (SK-PA)
- 740 WJIB MA Cambridge** - 3/15 0150 - Fair, Bob Bittner with ID, NOS and beautiful music. NSP now? (BC-NH)
- 900 WILC MD Laurel** - 3/12 1103 - Carries CNN "Radio Noticias" news at the top of the hour. (DB*VA)
- 910 WLAS NC Jacksonville** - Station has been off the air for a good month or more (as of 3/13). I've yet to be home during "normal" office hours to call them, but Directory Assistance still has a listing (910-937-0211). (MH-NC)
- 920 WCHR NJ Trenton** - 3/9 1529 - ID as "AM 920 WCHR" with REL format. But 3/18 ID'ing as "WTTM, soon to be WCHR." Ex:SPT. (JH-NJ)
- 940 WCPC MS Houston** - 3/6 - Per v/l, address: 1189 Highway 15 North, 38851. (SK-PA)
- 980 WTEM DC Washington** - 3/12 1030 - Sports talk now here, ex-570. (DB*VA/DE)
- + 3/13 0700 - "Sports Talk 980, WTEM Washington, the T," new call, ex-WWRC. (PC-VA)
- 1070 WNCT NC Greenville** - Noted since early March in AM's, late PM's with new format of "Beach Music," whatever that is, hi. Promos as "We're The Beach, AM 10-70," and "You're on The Beach, AM 10-70, WNCT." Not // WNCT-FM 107.9. (MH-NC)
- 1220 WJUN PA Mexico** - Per v/l, operating hours are 0600-1900 daily. (SK-PA)
- 1300 WIMG NJ Ewing** - Now has NBC news on the hour, Garden State news on the half hour. Format is otherwise unchanged. (JH-NJ)
- 1310 WXMC NJ Parsippany-Troy Hills** - Per phone book and call to station, new phone number is (973) 575-5887, ID now "Latino 1310." Both addresses in Log are still good. (JH-NJ)
- 1330 WASA MD Havre de Grace** - 3/16 1100 - Noted // WWLG-1360 after 1100, but seems separate prior with REL programs. Can't hear them here at night. (DB-DE)
- 1350 WYSK VA Fredericksburg** - 3/13 1119 - Is now AC // FM 99.3, "Y 99.3". (DB*VA)
- 1370 WKFD RI Wickford** - 3/20 1135 - Pop music, mostly 70's, automated format with no live announcers or ads, just a few PSA's and taped ID's. Back to using its "real" calls now, no more WEGM. (JCT-RI)
- 1480 WPWC VA Dumfries** - 3/12 1703 - This country/bluegrass station carries USA news at the top of the hour. (DB*VA)

- 1500 WGHT NJ Pompton Lakes** - Per phone book and call to station, new address is 1878 Lincoln Ave., P.O. Box is unchanged. Area code is now 973 per Chris Cuomo. (JH-NJ)
- 1540 WACA MD Wheaton** - 3/12 1100 - Now uses the slogan "Radio America." (DB*VA)
- 1570 WKDB MD Towson** - 3/13 1056 - Since demise of Radio Aahs, no longer // 1050, 1460, but carries a strange mix of music, and is not // WJDM at least during the day. Three weekdays near this same time that I listened, they were playing the same tape each day, with the songs about 15 minutes later than the previous day. (DB*VA/DE) [Sounds like the current WJDM non-format, at least. - DY]

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DX TESTS

- 560 WGAI NC Elizabeth City** - 3/15 0100-0130 - Not heard, just WHYN, WGAN, others. Noted test on 2/12/96 but never received QSL. (RA-MA) Not heard, though WVOC was noted, so it would have been theoretically possible. (MB-ON) Heard code though WHYN, WJLS, WIND, CHVO mess. (BC-NH) Heard poorly with high and low pitch code ID's under WFIL and presumed WQAM. (JH-NJ) Not heard, just a fuzzy WFIL. (SK-PA) Presumed heard with code through mess; haven't yet had time to translate the code from the tape! (JR-NY)
- 1260 KKSA TX San Angelo** - 3/16 0000-0300 - Not heard, just the usual multi-station jumble. (SK-PA)

UNID and UNID HELP

- 740 KRMG OK Tulsa** - A strong possibility for SK-PA's unID in no. 20. Cyclones vs. Cowboys seems to suggest Iowa State vs. Oklahoma State. KRMG carries Oklahoma State; no ISU affiliates on 740. (RD-IA)
- 810 UNID -** 3/15 2245 - Satellite black gospel music, "here at your favorite radio station, The Light." Behind WGY. (SK-PA)
- 870 UNID -** 3/12 0100 - AP satellite news, clear "McGrath" mention — so KSKO? Behind WWL and atop during frequent fades. (SK-PA) [AP news here is WHCU, unfortunately. - DY]
- 990 UNID -** 3/13 1815 - Basketball game, Holy Family vs. Holy Names Tigers at Oakland, California. Announcer stressed, "it's Holy Names, not Holy Name." At this point in the season, lots of these games are on national networks. My guess is WZZD. (SK-PA) [Or WIVK. - DY]
- UNID -** 3/13 1930-1940 - C&W station mixing with the above, power cut at 1940. Several possibilities in Log. (SK-PA)
- 1030 WSFZ TN Memphis** - This is SK-PA's unID in no. 21. No 1030 affiliates on Florida's network, but WSFZ does carry Alabama football and basketball. (RD-IA)
- 1340 WNBH MA New Bedford** - This could be DP-PQ's unID in no. 22, as they ID as "Real Country 1340, WNBH." (RWT-MA) and (JCT-RI)
- 1400 UNID -** 3/17 2005 - Weather from "your 1400 team," then ad for wine tasting at Chandler's Winery, phone 665-1277, into Bruce Williams show. Very good signal for a few minutes. (SK-PA)
- 1450 UNID -** 3/13 2101 - Pause for ID on the Boston Celtics radio network, didn't make it out. (SK-PA)
- 1460 UNID -** 3/18 1902 - SSB and off air. Only daytimer listed is WDOG, which I doubt as station was atop with very good signal. (SK-PA) [WVOX seems to go off around this time. - DY]
- 1490 UNID -** 3/18 2200 - ID in EE "You're listening to ... Massachusetts." Then back to likely SS, not certain due to the jumble. Is it WHAV or WACM? Anybody know how they ID? (SK-PA)
- 1520 UNID -** 3/14 1315 - Sounds like WGCT? "Music of Your Life" spot, Sinatra, Ray Charles. (HF-MI) [WQCT-OH? - DY]
- 1540 UNID IN Martinsville** - 3/13 1825 - Poor, definitely Martinsville but call sounded more like WTVK than WMCB. "Swap Shop," spot for ? Connors Show with Notre Dame fight song, mixing with WBCO. (HF-MI)

LOGGINGS: 0000-0800

- 620 WJWR NJ Newark** - 3/7 0119 - Caught ID in passing, "... only on AM 620, One on One Sports New York." Atop for this, then into the mix. First time heard under these calls. (SK-PA)

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 640 WCRV TN Collierville - 3/20 0555 - ID through clutter. (PC-VA)
 660 WFAN NY New York - 3/8 0109 - Off the air, then on OC till 0138 followed by tones, back with regular programming at 0316. Only SS station with Desi Arnez-style music noted. (SK-PA)
 690 WTIK LA New Orleans - 3/18 0608 - ID "WTIK, AM 690" in the clear before WELD sign-on. (PC-VA)
 WNNT VA Warsaw - 3/17 0752 - C&W format, ID as "River Country 100.9," 250 watts daytime. (CR-VA)
 700 WWTL MD Walkersville - 3/17 0800 - Playing back to back Middle Eastern music. (CR-VA)
 830 WFNO LA Norco? - 3/13 0200 - Tentative with Louisiana State Emergency Broadcast System test in EE, then back to SS programming. The Log says EE:NOS format at night; is this a change? (JH-NJ)
 WKTX OH Cortland - 3/18 0700 - Sign-on with SSB, "This is WKTX, Cortland, Ohio, signing on the air. WKTX operates on a Federally assigned frequency of 830 kilocycles." (PC-VA)
 850 WRBZ NC Raleigh - 3/10 0643 - ID "850, The Buzz." (PC-VA)
 930 WBEN NY Buffalo - 3/21 0732 - AccuWeather forecast for Buffalo, "930 WBEN," WFMD nulled. (PC-VA)
 1040 WSGH NC Lewisville - 3/23 0700 - ID: "You are listening to the Ministry Station, AM 1040 WSGH Lewisville, Winston-Salem, Greensboro, High Point." One of two competing religious stations. (PC-VA)
 1050 WCMS VA Norfolk - 3/17 0128 - Call letters, C&W, continued to be heard behind WEVD. (SK-PA)
 1060 WLNO LA New Orleans - 3/10 0228 - "Call us during regular business hours at 504-362-9800. We're New Orleans' most powerful Christian radio station, AM 1060, WLNO." Then mail-in offer for "Our Eternal Flame." Very strong behind KYW. Often heard faintly, but never ID'ed before. (SK-PA)
 1140 WXLZ VA St. Paul - 3/12 0717 - "You have Hit Country 107.3, WXLZ," with C&W in WRVA null. (PC-VA)
 1180 WHJM TN Knoxville - 3/12 0659 - With "Solid Gospel" in WHAM null, but not alone. (PC-VA)
 1320 WDER NH Derry - 3/20 0730 - "Voice of Inspiration" and call, N-S on loop. First NH station heard. (BS-PA)
 1330 WMLT GA Dublin - 3/11 0005 - "This is the (land?), 1330 WMLT," then NOS. Mixing with WJID. (SK-PA)
 WJTD OH Wellston - 3/11 0005 - End of USA news, ID, mixing with WMLT. (SK-PA)
 1350 WIOU IN Kokomo - 3/19 0557 - ID "On your oldies (?), WIOU (?)," into Stevie Wonder song. Very weak, just above the mush. (DZ-NY) [Careful, there is WTOU and WLOU on 1350 as well. - DY]
 1400 WWIN MD Baltimore - 3/11 0705 - End of gospel song, then news with Baltimore mentions. Local-like signal for a few minutes. (SK-PA)
 WOND NJ Pleasantville - 3/11 0658 - Mention of area athletes from Hacken sack and Phillippsburg, part of sportscast. Above mix. (SK-PA)
 1410 WHLN KY Harlan - 3/12 0627 - One out of many here with ID: "Your Weather Watch station, WHLN." (PC-VA)
 1470 WPAO PA Farrell - 3/13 0644 - ID "AM 1470, WPAO" briefly topping the mix, then disappeared. (PC-VA)
 WLMC SC Georgetown - 3/14 0048 - Ads mentioning Georgetown, on top briefly, call ID at 0100. Also possible mention of WLAM in mess, which would be WZOU-ME, but nothing else heard to ID it. (DB*VA)
 1490 WGCH CT Greenwich - 3/17 0229 - ID "1490 WGCH," then more jazz. Shifting in the mix. Log says off at 0006. (SK-PA) [This is semi-local for me and has been 24 hours for years, as far as I can tell. - DY]
 WKNY NY Kingston - 3/19 0100 - Call ID just before CBS news. (JR-NY)
 WIKE VT Newport - 3/19 0049 - Quick ID in mess as "Stereo 1490 WIKE" during talk with listener. (JR-NY)
 1520 WLGC KY Greenup - 3/13 0120 - "... weekdays at 5:20 on Sports Radio 1520 WLGC," into One on One Sports Flash. Strong behind WWKB, which switches to Road Gang from One on One at 0030. (SK-PA)
 1540 WECZ PA Punxsatawney - 3/11 0730 - ID after weather. (PC-VA)

1560 WAGL SC Lancaster - 3/11 0718 - "Be sure to listen to the ... Show, weekday afternoons from 2 to 5 on AM Radio 1560, WAGL." (PC-VA)
 1570 WNCA NC Siler City - 3/10 0000 - Heard "Siler City" in the mix, then 0028 PSA "a message from this station and the American Red Cross" and whispered "WNCA." Has an unusual format, mixing oldies and C&W oldies. Mostly over second oldies station. (SK-PA)
 1590 WAIK IL Galesburg - 3/6 0719 - Promo for upcoming basketball game between Galesburg Silver Streaks and Ottawa Pirates. Also ad for Lindsay Bates Auto Body. Good to fair. (RCP-IN)
 1640 KDIA CA Vallejo - 3/10 0220-0248 - Female announcer, promos for "Solid Gold Soul for the Bay Area, 24 hours a day" and frequent mentions of "1640 KDIA." Spots for Sears and two local sponsors, PSA for Red Cross Blood Center, brief weather report and "... beautiful today on 16-40, KDIA." Poor to fair with moderate fading and some unID co-channel QRM. (MH-NC)
 + 3/19 0240 - Oldies show, 800 ads, frequent mentions of calls. Heard on 1630 and 1640 with previous call letters. Only possible with attenuation because of strong local images here. 1650 station weak at best during this time, but the best I've heard it! (JR-NY)
 + 3/24 0040 - Back to back OLD and male ID: "Now, the sounds you grew up with, the Bay Area's own 1640, KDIA." (CR-VA)
 1650 KGXL CA Costa Mesa - 3/10 0249-0316 - Tentative with male announcer, mention of "Music of Your Life," music by Carpenters, Shocking Blue, and "Yellow Rose of Texas." ID as "Music of your life, here on 12-60 (?) and 16-50, KG(XL?)," "XL" never completely clear on any ID heard. Man ID'ed himself as "Carl Hinson." Poor with fading, 1660 splash. (MH-NC)



LOGGINGS: 0800-1600

590 WAFC FL Clewiston - 3/13 0924-0935 - Very good with the usual local-level R. Músical, Cuba off today only. Mexican ranchers, SS male DJ. (TLK-FL)
 730 WFMC NC Goldsboro - 3/17 0830 - Religion, gospel programming. (CR-VA)
 WBZS VA Alexandria - 3/17 0813 - ID as "Business Radio 730," CNBC all-business news format. (CR-VA)
 830 WKTX OH Cortland - 3/10 1536-1600 - Man with polka music program, Patty with Cleveland area traffic report, ad for West Side Market. WMMI apparently off, but came back up suddenly at 1600. (HF-MI)
 960 WTGM MD Salisbury - 3/23 0904 - "You are listening to Delmarva's All Sports Radio, AM 960, WTGM Salisbury. WTGM is The Game." (PC-VA)
 970 WWIT NC Canton - 2/23 1819 - "We are the only station in western North Carolina that ... WWIT, Canton." Poor in a very jumbled mess. (RCP-IN)
 1070 WKOK PA Sunbury - 3/13 0925 - "107.3 WKOK" ID, followed by jingle, in WINA null. (PC-VA)
 1340 WYCB DC Washington - 3/16 1231 - "Brother ... on WYCB," at start of religious program. Mostly buried in WEPM null. (PC-VA)
 1390 WKLP WV Keyser - 3/12 0900 - "The music of your ..., 1390 WKLP, Keyser," behind WZHF with local WINC-1400 nulled. (PC-VA)
 1410 WHAG MD Hagerstown - 3/12 1000 - "10:00 at WHAG," local WINC-1400 nulled. (PC-VA)
 1430 WGFS GA Covington - 3/21 2105 - Up briefly with call, listed 250 watts. (BS-PA)
 WNAV MD Annapolis - 3/12 1201 - Navy Basketball Network, "Your hometown station for sports, WNAV Annapolis." (PC-VA)
 WNJR NJ Newark - 3/13 1726 - Presumed with ID as "Radio Portugal" by woman, then talk by man in PP over background music, commercial mentioned Union, NJ. (BS*PA)
 1540 KTGG MI Spring Arbor - 3/14 1049-1132 - "Your Story Hour" children's religious program with Uncle Van (?) and Aunt Carol, ID 1130: "This is WSAE ... and also KTGG, Spring Arbor," Spring Arbor College promo, then into "Gospel Music Jubilee." (HF*MI)

LOGGINGS: 1600-2400

620 WVMT VT Burlington - 3/6 2107 - Played a Rolling Stones song I haven't heard since 1965, "Play with Fire," then WVMT jingle. Lost to CKCK, WHEN mix soon after. Wish I could have heard the whole song. (SK-PA)

690 **WTIX** LA **New Orleans** - 3/12 2145 - New Orleans Brass vs. Birmingham ECHL hockey, ads for Planet Hollywood and House of Blues "in the French Quarter," "WTIX Newsroom" with sports update, over CBF. (HF*MI)
+ 3/13 1930 - Very good with call letters, local ads. (MB-IN)

760 **WMEN** TN **Knoxville** - "Everyone wins with Knoxville's motor racing station, AM 760 WMEN." Very clear in WJR null. (PC-VA)

870 **WLAM** ME **Gorham** - 3/11 1815 - While passing by heard part of sports, "local matchups include Portland at Portland State," and power cut right here resulting in dead frequency. How's that for luck? (SK-PA)

890 **WFKJ** PA **Cashtown** - 3/2 1800 - Fair-poor in WLS null with sign-off announcement, mentioned power of 890 watts, and transmitter located on U.S. Route 30. No SSB. (MB-ON)

920 **WIRD** NY **Lake Placid** - 3/14 2225 - Fair with Gloria Estefan song, "You're listening to 105.5 ... 102.3 ... the Adirondacks," semi-regular in DE, first time heard in VA. (DB*VA)
+ 3/18 2225 - Definite ID on tape, only 87 watts? In mix. (PC-VA) [Frequently runs full power at night. - DY]

930 **WRVC** WV **Huntington** - 3/19 2000 - "Marco University Sports on 93 WRVC- AM, Huntington," in WFMD null, with competition. (PC-VA)

940 **WMIX** IL **Mount Vernon** - 3/14 2020 - NOS music, ID. (WM-MD)

WNRG VA **Grundy** - 3/12 1800 - ID "You're listening to News-Talk 940 WNRG," TC. Log says C&W. (WM-MD)

1020 **WNTK** NH **Newport** - 3/7 1705 - "Now stay tuned for Bob Brinker on WNTK," ads for Lens Crafters and Sugar River Savings Bank, and ID "You're listening to Talk Radio WNTK." Then Money Talk. Good and alone. (SK-PA)

1040 **WYSL** NY **Avon** - 3/12 1930 - Very good with relay of Channel 13 news, many mentions of Livingston County heard on ads. Went to CNN news at end of TV broadcast. (HJH-PA)

1070 **WFLI** TN **Lookout Mountain** - 3/14 2025 - Fair, in and out with WIBC, bluegrass music and ID at 2028. Report sent. (MB-IN)

1080 **WKJK** KY **Louisville** - 3/5 1944 - Fair with NOS music, ad for Ninsanto, weather, ID as "The new KJ-1080," mention of Kentucky. Not much KRLD tonight. (MB-IN)

WMVR OH **Sidney** - 3/5 2105-2200 - End of news, "Kicks 105.5 is currently under construction," then "The best variety of yesterday and today; this is 105.5," into Sports Fan Radio Network. Mostly over WTIC until (of course) ID time, heard "105.5 ... The Variety, WM..." (SK-PA)

1090 **KAAY** AR **Little Rock** - 3/13 1901 - With religion, occasionally over WBAL, ID "KAAY ... your hometown station." (PC-VA)

WKTE NC **King** - 3/7 2030 - Fair, in and out with bluegrass countdown, mentions of King, promo with mailing address which matches Log. ID's at 2052 and 2100. Log says D1 [but we all know what that means these days - DY]. New. (MB-IN)

1150 **WBAG** NC **Burlington** - 3/15 1825 - ID only in clutter. (PC-VA)

WCRK TN **Morristown** - 3/15 1830 - "This is Hometown Radio WCRK." (PC-VA)

1170 **WCLN** NC **Clinton** - 3/15 1800 - Religion, ID "This is WCLN, Clinton, North Carolina, bringing you solid gospel at 1170 AM." (PC-VA)

KVOO OK **Tulsa** - 3/5 1926 - Spurts of C&W, then ad for business in Tulsa, and another sounding like "Winston Fins." Tough behind an overly modulated WWVA. Not heard after 1930, presumed pattern change. (SK-PA)

1190 **WLIB** NY **New York** - 3/9 1842 - Program "The People's Choice," sports talk show, plenty of call ID's. Way over usually dominant WOWO. Good to fair signal until 1845 sign-off, new. (RCP-IN)
+ 3/12 1845 - Promo for program, ID. (WM-MD)

1230 **WANO** KY **Pineville** - 3/10 2005 - Canned ID as "WANO," then Nat King Cole's "Ramblin' Rose." Atop the mix, then lost. (SK-PA)

WNTR MD **Cumberland** - 3/5 1827 - Call letters heard in mix. (SK-PA)

WCRO PA **Johnstown** - 3/10 2200 - "Your station for ... 1230 WCRO," in the mix. Completes PA on 1230 for me. (SK-PA)

1240 **WRTA** PA **Altoona** - 3/17 1959 - Altoona basketball game, in the mix. (SK-PA)

WDNE WV **Elkins** - 3/11 2100 - C&W music, ID, in mess. (WM-MD)

1250 **WNTP** TN **Tazewell** - 3/11 1845-1850 - C&W music, ID. (WM-MD)

1260 **WWJQ** MI **Zeeland** - 3/12 2008 - Very good with WJQ ID as per Log, talk about executive privilege. Report sent and received QSL in 7 days. (MB-IN)

1270 **WKZT** KY **Fulton** - 3/15 1825-1845 - Country gospel music, ID, program "Country Crossroads" heard. (WM-MD)

WLIK TN **Newport** - 3/9 1830 - Tennessee Radio Network news at bottom of hour, back to C&W with Allison Krauss song. Fair while in. (RCP-IN)

1280 **WFAU** ME **Gardiner** - 3/6 2250 - Canned ID heard three times sounding like WFME, then clear enough to make out at this time. NOS music from the satellite, // local WMIM-1590. Tough mix with WADO, CFMB. (SK-PA)

1280 **WHVR** PA **Hanover** - 3/17 1735-1740 - Abba song, "Your hometown favorites," ID. (WM-MD)

1310 **WDOC** KY **Prestonburg** - 3/7 2000 - Canned ID "For the hottest country and Paul Harvey, keep it right here, WDOC Prestonburg, Kentucky." Brief weather, back to C&W. Atop the mix. (SK-PA)

WIBA WI **Madison** - 3/21 2000 - Legal ID, first WI station heard. (BS-PA)

1320 **WJGR** FL **Jacksonville** - 3/16 1835 - ID heard in mess. (WM-MD)

1340 **WMID** NJ **Atlantic City** - 3/17 2159 - Promo "I want to share something with you ... on 1340 WMID," then ABC news. (SK-PA)

WTRN PA **Tyrene** - 3/16 2020 - Penn State vs. Dayton basketball on the Penn State network, in the mix. Last PA needed on 1340, excluding silent WSAJ. (SK-PA)

1350 **WCHI** OH **Chillicothe** - 3/9 1826 - "Chillicothe's country station, right here on Real Country 1350," into C&W song by Clint Black, "Nothin' But the Taillights." New for me, very poor signal. (RCP-IN)

WRKM TN **Carthage** - 3/11 1750 - Local news by man, weather, ID. (WM-MD)

1360 **WIXZ** PA **McKeesport** - 3/12 2044 - Part of ad, "It's working to make Allegheny County better," rose up, then in the mix, sounded like a sports talk show. Must have been the one heard last night with Penn State basketball. (SK-PA)

1370 **WTAB** NC **Tabor City** - 3/17 1858- AC music, ID, TC, weather forecast. Log says C&W. (WM-MD)

1390 **WMPO** OH **Middleport-Pomeroy** - 3/9 2005 - End of ABC news, "The voice of the tri-county since 1959, 1390 WMPO Middleport-Pomeroy," then C&W. Very clear and local-like in rain static. (SK-PA)

1400 **WJLD** AL **Fairfield** - 3/17 1755 - ID in mess. (WM-MD)

WPAY OH **Portsmouth** - 3/8 2000 - Legal ID, then UPI news. Atop for most of news, then lost. (SK-PA)

WICK PA **Scranton** - 3/16 1853 - EZL music, ID. Someone also heard with TLK. (WM-MD)

1410 **WLSH** PA **Lansford** - 3/9 1759 - Fair over residual CHKT-1430 splatter with Elvis Presley "Return to Sender," ID by woman as "The station you grew up with, AM 1410 WLSH Lansford-Coaldale-Summit Hill," into USA Radio Network news at 1800. First time I've ever heard a non-religious formatted station with USA news! (MB-ON)

1420 **CKPT** ON **Peterborough** - 3/7 2320 - "1420 CKPT" ID, into David Bowie song, in with many others. (HJH-PA)

1450 **WIBM** MI **Jackson** - 3/10 1619 - Poor, "14-50 WIBM," oldies, 1440 QRM. New here for MI #100. (HF-MI)

1460 **WPON** MI **Walled Lake** - 3/18 2000 - ID "AM 1460 WPON Walled Lake," in shifting mix. Possibly them with OLD. (SK-PA)

1470 **WRGA** GA **Rome** - 3/12 2035 - Break in basketball game "on News Radio 1470 WRGA," mixing behind WKAP. Several alternating backgrounders. (SK-PA)

WPNC NC **Plymouth** - 3/12 2015 - Offer for free (tickets?), "call us at WPNC Radio," then two ads by the same female. Mixing behind WKAP. (SK-PA)

1480 **WHBC** OH **Canton** - 3/9 2059 - ID, then news, lottery numbers, mention of Buckeye. Very poor with unID NOS behind [probably WADR - DY]. (DZ-NY)

1490 **WMRC** MA **Milford** - 3/9 2306 - End of C&W song, canned ID "1490 WMRC." Then female DJ giving ID as 1-800-833-? Rose up briefly, then lost. Format and hours change. (SK-PA)

1530 **WRTP** NC **Chapel Hill** - 3/16 1828-1833 - "Today's business news on WRTP," then Christian rock song. Sign-off at 1833, "WRTP-W ... now leaves the air per FCC rules ...," over/under WSAI. (SK-PA)

- 1540 WBCO OH Bucyrus - 3/13 1812 - Gabe and Diana Mirkin health call-in program, many promos for The Mirkin Report, Dick Butkus short "I'll Bet You Didn't Know That," "Tips for Living Well." (HF*MI)
- 1550 WBFJ NC Winston-Salem - 3/14 1900 - Black gospel music, ID. (WM-MD)
- WCXJ PA Braddock - 3/5 1851 - Mentions of WCXJ, "Progressive 100," return to talk show. Tough behind CBE; listed at 4 watts. (SK-PA)
- WBSC SC Bennettsville - 3/10 2031 - String of local commercials for Bennettsville stores. (PC-VA)
- 1560 WQXY KY Hazard - 3/11 2115-2340 - "Good times and great oldies," at 2129 "Back to back in stereo," at 2340 "Rockin' oldies in stereo on Quicksy 1560." Even or over WQEW three-fourths of the time, with 1000 watts. (SK-PA)
- 1570 WTLK NC Taylorsville - 3/10 2027 - "It's 27 degrees in downtown Taylorsville," in mix. (PC-VA)
- 1580 WDAB SC Travelers Rest - 3/11 1824 - "This is WDAB," in the crud. (PC-VA)
- 1600 WXYM VA Saltville - 3/12 1800 - "WXYM now concludes its broadcast day," heard in the mix. (SK-PA)
- WOHZ WV Wheeling - 3/7 1825 - ID "AM 1600 WOHZ Wheeling," then return to Talking Pets on the Business News Network. Mostly over WWRL. Apparently a new format, ex-Radio Aahs. (SK-PA)
- 1620 WPHG AL Atmore - 3/7 1749-1809 - Good with some deep fades, talk about home schooling, ID, USA Radio Network news at 1800, then Jack Davis at 1806 with "Celebration USA" gospel music program. (MS-ON)

TIS AND MISCELLANEOUS

- 1610 TIS MA Falmouth - I need a better address for this station; letter came back "No Mail Receptacle." What happened to the days when the Post Office tried to be helpful? (SK-PA) [Don't get pls started, Steve, hi. - DY][Grrr - pls.]
- CHEV ON Toronto area - 3/6 2146 with MTHL Junior A hockey playoff, Ottawa Legionnaires vs. Wexford Raiders, ID "This is Consumers Gas MTHL Junior A hockey on CHEV 1610," also ID's as "The Chev 1610." Noted again 3/8 1522 with Wexford Raiders hockey, "The Chev 1610 live from Scarborough Memorial Gardens, the home of the Wexford Raiders." And again 3/10 2135 with game from Bolton, noted technical difficulties at 2141, and sign-off with no anthem at 2145 giving power as 99 watts. Postcard QSL back, signer as per NjW in 3/9 DXN. Phone number is (416) 822-6799. (MS-ON)
- + 3/18 2255 - Very poor, heard "up ice" and "face-off." CHEV supposed to be covering local hockey game per NjW tip. Tentative. (HF-MI)
- 1630 HAR MI Farmington Hills/Detroit - 3/14 1042 - Heard both loop tapes, woman ID'ing at location of I-696 and I-275 (Farmington Hills), man ID's at location of I-94 and I-275 (Detroit). "This system is a public service of the Michigan Intelligent Transportation System Center" heard on both. Woman gives call of WJFR341, man does not. (HF*MI)
- HAR PA Allentown? - 3/18 2317 - Three stations here, one ID'ing as "Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Route 22 Highway Advisory Radio" with eastbound traffic update in the 16th Street exit area, the second ID'ing in the same way, but with westbound traffic update concerning a 5-mile backup at the Airport Road exit, and the third ID'ing as "Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Highway Advisory Radio for the Lehigh Valley." The latter included a web site: www.22remove. Definitely two stations here, pretty sure about the third. Weak QRM from Detroit TIS. My map shows an Airport Road exit in Allentown. (JR-NY)
- UNID - 3/14 2122-2142 - Looping NNE/SSW with male, female announcers barely above audio threshold at times, one clear "This is 16-30..." Some instrumental music, but mostly a very strong rumble on the frequency. Poor. (MH-NC)
- 1640 TIS PA? Philadelphia? - 3/13 1905-1930 - Giving up-to-date weather for Philadelphia, northern Delaware, and New Jersey from the National Weather Service (in Mount Holly, I think). Seemed to be inserting ID's on top of the weather fairly often as "WPKX724 1640 AM." Fairly strong at this time of the evening, but later on the Dallas Airport TSI started to mix in as well. (NjW*ON)

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1680 TIS TX

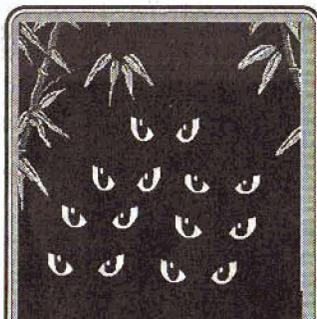
1760 KFRU MO

- + 3/13 1934 - Poor, mixing with DFW, with Philadelphia, Wilmington, and Atlantic City weather and tide info. Heard again 3/14 2201, "Weather for the Metropolitan Delaware Valley," QRM from KDIA, DFW. (HF*MI)
- + 3/14 2050-2120 - Male announcer, weather report loop, mention of "The National Weather Service forecast for the Philadelphia metropolitan ... Delaware Valley," and an ID (presumably a NWS ID) of WPKX1124 or WPKX924 or similar. Poor to fair, looping N/S with QRM from presumed KDIA and DFW TIS. Received e-mail from Jason Franklin at NOAA, who says that the weather originates at station KIH-28 on 162.475 MHz. (MH-NC)
- + 3/19 0005 - Continuous weather report mentioning Ohio Valley, Great Lakes, PA, NJ, and MD, finishing with mention of Philadelphia and Allentown. No ID's noted, but strong enough to rise above local mixing product on 1640. (JR-NY)
- 3/13 1905-1930 - ID'ing as "Pennsylvania Turnpike Highway Advisory Radio," reporting on highway construction on what sounded like a short tape loop. Fighting it out with weather station. (NjW*ON)
- + The HAR stations I reported here last week seem to be the PA Turnpike HAR's previously reported on 830. Last week's was probably the Willow Grove transmitter, judging by signal behavior. Tonight (3/16 1900-1930), I heard the one at Norristown running NOAA, with no local ID's, then abruptly into an actual highway bulletin, repetitive loop. Weakly under it was the Lansdale transmitter, only ID'able by the fact that it mentioned the Turnpike Northeast Extension, on which it is located, in its traffic bulletin. Norristown's bulletin was read by a woman, Lansdale's by a man. Willow Grove wasn't audible tonight, or wasn't on. The Norristown transmitter seems stronger than it was on 830, while Lansdale's is about the same. (RJE-PA)
- TIS TX Dallas-Fort Worth - 3/13 1934 - Poor, woman with American Airlines gate info. (HF*MI)
- + 3/14 1928-1945 - Format same as 1680, 2 female announcers, airline info, mentions of American Airlines and Dallas-Fort Worth. QRM from presumed KDIA. Noted that signal strength and fade pattern were different for each station — two separate sites? Poor to fair with fading. (MH-NC)
- 3/14 2040-2050 - Tones of varying pitch, on for maybe 2-3 seconds, then off. On one extended period, I was able to get a tentative NW/SE loop. DFW heard and looping differently, presumed KDIA also noted with music. Fair level. (MH-NC)
- 1645 UNID - 3/13 1146 - "Ooop Lady," heard all this weekend and on 1640 during last DXpedition in January, loop tape with "Oooooop" and muffled background voices. Second and third harmonics heard as well. (HF*MI)
- 1650 "AMN" - 3/13 1700 - CW beacon, strong at this time then much weaker at 1702. (HF*MI)
- 1680 TIS TX Dallas-Fort Worth - 3/10 0600 - Tentative with two female announcers, one giving the city and the other the gate number. No ID heard, but did hear one mention of "departure and arrival times," and of "AM 1640," which was not heard with presumed KDIA dominant. Midwestern cities mentioned. Poor with local sunrise approaching. (MH-NC)
- + 3/13 1944 - Poor, woman with American Airlines gate info. (HF*MI)
- 1760 KFRU MO Columbia - 3/13-15 - Very poor, per tip from Don Moore, heard bits of audio here throughout the weekend but never enough to ID anything. (HF*MI) [Nominal 1400. - DY]

REPORTERS

- RA-MA Ray Arruda Acushnet MA - R8A, SW8 Loop, LW's
- DB-DE Dave Braun Wyoming DE - R5000, Quantum loop, 500' LW
- DB*VA Falls Church VA - R5000, Quantum loop
- MB-ON Mike Brooker Toronto ON - RF-2200, RFB-45
- MB-IN Mark Burns Terre Haute IN - R8, 80' LW, Kiwa loop
- BC-NH Bruce Conti Nashua NH - R8A, MWDX-5, 100' wire, 100' E sloper
- PC-VA Perry Crabill Winchester VA - R8, Kiwa loop
- RD-IA Rick Dau UNID help
- RJE-PA Russ Edmunds Blue Bell PA - Car radio

HF-MI HF*MI	Harold Frodge	Midland MI - R71A, 185' random wire MARE DX'pedition at Brighton MI - R71A, 500' random wires, 25' Slinky dipole, 95' Harley loop
JH-NJ MH-NC HJH-PA SK-PA TLK-FL RCP-IN JR-NY CR-VA BS-PA BS*PA	John Hanz Mike Harvester Harry J. Hayes Steve Kennedy Terry Krueger Bob Pote	Old Bridge NJ - R8B, A/D sloper Jacksonville NC - R-70 (fixed), Radio West 22" loop Wilkes-Barre PA - Superadio III Coal Township PA - Superadio III Clearwater FL - NRDS25 Greenwood IN - R8A, Quantum loop
JR-NY CR-VA BS-PA BS*PA	Jim Renfrew Chuck Rippel Brett Saylor	Rochester NY - R8, Radio West loop Cornland VA - WJ-HF1000A, R8A/Sherwood SE-3, Collins 515-1 State College PA - R-390A, 14" homebrew loop Allentown PA - DX380, 18" homebrew loop
MS-ON JCT-RI RWT-MA NJW*ON	Morris Sorensen John Thresher Rick Turner Niel Wolfish	Scarborough ON - HQ180, SM-2, Superadio II Wakefield RI - Local and unID news North Dartmouth MA - UnID help DX'ing at Coe Hill ON with Ken Alexander and Jacques D'Avignon, R71A, R5000, 965' LW terminated NE
DZ-NY	Dan Ziolkowski	Hamburg NY - 2010, Kiwa filters, Kiwa pocket loop



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With FCC Approval, It's Radio Fortunoff

By James T. Madore

STAFF WRITER

Tune in, shoppers. Starting next summer, Radio Fortunoff will bring you through the gridlock and into the stores and restaurants at The Source mall in Westbury.

Fortunoff is believed to be the first retailer in the country to establish a radio station to help motorists get to and from the stores more quickly, said Pamela Rucker of the National Retail Federation, a trade group in Washington, D.C.

The chain of jewelry, gift and home furnishings stores has teamed with the Metropolitan Suburban Bus Authority in applying for a radio license from the Federal Communications Commission. To obtain a license, FCC rules require a business to collaborate with a government entity. If the FCC approves Radio Fortunoff, 24-hour traffic reports could begin airing by midsummer.

The station, which doesn't yet have call letters or a place on the AM dial, is in response to the 3-month-old mall, which draws more than 100,000 cars per week. Sales are so strong that two tenants, Old Navy and Rainforest Cafe, are in negotiations to expand their space.

"All the tenants are doing well, and some wish they had taken more space at the beginning," said Alan Fortunoff, president and chief executive of his family business, and the driving force behind the mall.

Norman Goldberg, executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Fortunoff chain, said there's room for both stores to expand into adjacent space left vacant after Sega GameWorks decided not to locate in the mall. "We do expect to expand Old Navy to the second floor and give more space to the Rainforest Cafe," he said yesterday during a retailing

conference at Nassau Community College. Old Navy is located below the GameWorks space, while Rainforest is next door.

GameWorks, a chain of super-arcade-nightclubs, ran into a roadblock with Hempstead Town because its mall location didn't comply with various codes and expensive remodeling was required.

Fortunoff said he hopes his radio station will reduce the traffic congestion around the mall. "Too many of our customers are using Old Country Road to get to the property on the weekends," he said in an interview.

"We want them to use the M2 and M3" exits off the Meadowbrook Parkway.

Radio Fortunoff originated from a brainstorming session last spring. After some research, the retailer determined to establish a low-power station, capable of broadcasting within a four-mile radius of his Westbury store.

Gary Lewi, a company spokesman and former radio reporter, said Radio Fortunoff will air traffic reports based on information gathered from spotters located along major thoroughfares and on the store's roof, and reports from motorists calling an 800 number to report tie-ups. Data also will be used from the state's Information for Motorists program, which six years ago installed a computer-generated video-traffic map inside the store, showing Fortunoff shoppers which highways are busy.

Radio Fortunoff "is dedicated exclusively to traffic. There will be no advertisements or promotions," Lewi said. He also said once the station is broadcasting, there are plans to ask Corporate Property Investors, owner of the nearby Roosevelt Field mall, to participate by providing traffic information.



Alan Fortunoff

Newspaper

-via Perry F. Crabill, Jr.

International Jim Renfrew JimRenfrew@delphi.com DX Digest

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Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELI, subtract 5 hrs.

Once again, no DX to report here, but I did receive a QSL from the Canary Islands for my 41st MW Country Verified. Even if the conditions for long-haul DX are diminished at this time of year, it's a good time to send your follow-up reports!

Jim

TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

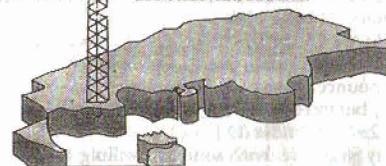
- 153 ALGERIA, MAR 15 0130 - up tempo Arabic vocal; fair signal. [Wolfish-ON]
189 ICELAND RV, MAR 13 2225 - starting to fade in with a Madonna song from the movie "Evita"; poor signal [Wolfish-ONT] MAR 14 2245 - good signal with "Monkey Wrench" by The Foo Fighters as well as rock music by Led Zeppelin, David Bowie, The Clash and Jimi Hendrix. [Wolfish-ONT] MAR 22 0245 - Poor to fair signals with American rock music and Icelandic talk. [VAL-DX]
207 MOROCCO Azilal, MAR 15 0245 - with long Arabic/Q'ran chants, // 612 faint but there at this hour. [Rippel-VA]
216 UNID the "bubble jammer" we've heard before was present again. Heard as early as 0037 in the evening of March 15 and as late as 1100 UTC (long after European sunrise and after every other broadcaster on longwave no longer could be heard). [Wolfish-ON]
252 IRELAND Atlantic 252, MARCH 15 0330 - finally surfaced above the beacon QRM with pop music by The Fugees, Backstreet Boys and Blur; no sign of Algeria which was present the previous night MARCH 14 with a weak signal around this time. [Wolfish-ONT]
882 SPAIN COPE, MAR 15 0008 - nice signal with talk by a male announcer and a shlocky romantic vocal by a woman; no ID heard, but it was parallel to both 837 and 1134 (both of which were much weaker than 882). [Wolfish-ON]
1215 ENGLAND Virgin Radio Various sites, MAR 22 0108 - Fair signals with Rock music and talk by English accented woman. [VAL-DX]

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- 1314 NORWAY NRK Kvitsoy, MAR 21 2350 - Music program and Norwegian talk. In before sunset in daylight. Stayed in for over 1 hour with fair to good signals. [VAL-DX]
1386 UNID MAR 22 0037-0110 - In some slop heard what sounded like one to three stations. Some Arabic music then possible rock/dance music and two men in FF talk. Conditions were very volatile and some of the music could have been some of the slop. HELP!!! [VAL-DX]

- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA, FEB 11 0210 - India? Chanting and sitar music. Het nearly blowing out WWKB. Audio tough with that bubbly underwater effect. [Kennedy-PA] (Probably Saudi Arabia which is heard throughout eastern North America, but I wonder if you converted to UTC correctly, as they do not sign-on until 0300 - Jim)

Niel speaks: "Really unspetacular conditions. Almost nothing audible on longwave aside from Iceland 189 on the Friday evening (March 14 UTC) and the next evening (Saturday night-March 15 UTC) it took a while for the long wave stations to make appearances. France-162, Germany-183 and Ireland-252 not as strong as we've heard in the past. Medium Wave TA's totally non-existent except for a short "blip" in propagation around 0020 UTC on March 15."

Shawn speaks: "Got to watch some Northern Lights, and with very disturbed conditions the band was in a state of flux all night. Would LOVE to know who was on 1386. It seemed like different stations fighting it out. 99% sure about AA music and FF talk. WHO?? Domestic DX was

poor. Only 2 TIS's heard which for United States is very unusual. Sunrise was a bust. Should have slept in. Poor DX was probably due to the warm temps and easy walk in. Snow was hard and we had no trouble getting across the field.

Three DX'ers. Three ICOM's and three times the fun!!! Hets heard on 756, 765, 828, 864, 1017, 1341, 1395, and 1548 but no audio that was intelligible."

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 540 MEXICO XEWA Monterrey, FEB 13 0615-0645 - Last few minutes of a sporting event. They yelled "score, score". One team was Louisa Grande, then a long list of stations giving call letters and locations, then singing ID, short talk and another singing ID, then more talking followed by station promo with echo effect featuring song snippets. Was atop the entire time with only slight fading. Does anyone know what stations are on the same network as XEWA on 600 and 630? Heard simulcasts on both. [Kennedy-PA] (XEWA is well-heard throughout much of the country, if you can find a null, but Mexican stations on 600 and 630 would be quite difficult to hear in the northeast. It is possible that you heard a Cuban sporting event that sounded similar to what you were hearing on 540, as Cuba is often reported on these frequencies. I also wonder about the time you report hearing these, which would be one in the morning EST, and after midnight in Mexican time, both of which seem late for a live broadcast - Jim)
- 555 ST. KITTS, ZIZ Basseterre MAR 15 0625 - Good; sign-off with "Zed-I-Zed" ID, mention of AM & FM, hymn and anthem. [Conti-NH]
- 570 CUBA R.Relej MAR 15 0605 - Poor; RR code IDs heard through WMCA. [Conti-NH]
- 570 UNID, MAR 17 0721 - Spanish station, simulcast on XEWA-540. [Kennedy-PA]
- 600 CUBA R.Rebelde, Urbano Noris, FEB 8 0243 - Live sports event in SS. Simulcast on 1180, mixing with WICC. [Kennedy-PA] MAR 15 0210 - Good; "Radio Rebelde, la Habana Cuba" and "Radio 26" IDs during "liga oriental" futbol play-by-play, Radio 26 is a network of stations in Matanzas. [Conti-NH]
- 610 COLOMBIA R.Dif.Nacional, Uribia MAR 15 0250 - Fair; "la radio difusora nacional de Colombia, la voz de cultura" ID with piano instrumental, in WGIR null. [Conti-NH]
- 620 CUBA R.Rebelde MAR 15 0300 - Fair; futbol // 600 & 5025. [Conti-NH]
- 640 CUBA R.Progreso MAR 15 0530 - Fair; "Radio Progreso, la onda de la alegria" ID and salsa music // 890. [Conti-NH]
- 660 MEXICO, San Jose del Cabo BCS XESJC, MAR 24 0656 - Have been chasing this the last 3 or 4 nights and finally confirmed my suspicions that this CP is on the air. Generally fair u/KTNN but fades up nicely at times. Always has an ID a few minutes before their 0700 sign-off (they play the Mexican National Anthem around 0700). I believe I heard one "La Que Buena" slogan (a very popular slogan these days), and possibly another slogan that included the word "Barracuda", but I'm not sure. New, BCS #5, XE #248. [Hall-CA] (Might be a nice target for anyone looking for a station from Baja California Sur - Jim)
- 710 CUBA R. Rebelde, FEB 13 0347 - Flute music and castanettes. Simulcast on 1180. [Kennedy-PA]
- 730 MEXICO, XEX Mexico, FEB 13 0655 - SS ballads backed by tuba and accordion music. What is this type of music called? Started to fade at ID time, naturally, it sounded like he said they have one million watts. Over/under CKAC. MAR 15 0700 - Poor to fair; ID, ad string, then telephone talk and Mexican music. [Conti-NH]
- 840 CUBA Dobleve, Sta. Clara MAR 15 0555 - Fair; disco dance hit by Fey, then sign-off announcement with Dobleve ID and anthem. [Conti-NH] MAR 21 2239 - Tentative reception in WHAS null; announcer made several mentions of "Santa Clara," heard what must have been an ID at 2300, but intelligibility was nil due to poor modulation. Finally lost in deep fade under WHAS at 2309. [Ponder-TX]
- 990 UNID, FEB 9 0305 - Very lively SS music, with someone yelling "see-as, see-as". In shifting mix with WZZD and CJAD. [Kennedy-PA]
- 1040 MEXICO XEBBB Guadalajara, MAR 14 2326-2345 - ad or promo mentioning numerous cities in Mexico and US cities near Mexico. At 2335 ad for something at 13th Avenue in Guadalajara (13th Avenue said in EE); upbeat SS music, over WHO, then lost at 2345. [Kennedy-PA] (Steve, Mexico, the Caribbean and most of the USA is still in daylight at this time, I suspect you were hearing a domestic station, unless you converted to UTC incorrectly - Jim)
- 1070 CUBA, CMKS network, Guantanamo MAR 15 0500 - Fair; sign-off with "la emisora CMKS... Guant#nomo, Cuba" ID and anthem, // 1060. [Conti-NH]
- 1120 UNID, FEB 15 0600-1100 - Sounded like a jammer, as opposed to a het or open carrier, a loud hum and smothering KMOX. Audio so distorted it sounded robotic. [Kennedy-PA]

- 1120 CUBA CMCH Artemisa, MAR 22 0550 - Latin American music and Radio Habana ID NEW!! [VAL-DX]
- 1200 CUBA R Sancti Spiritus, Trinidad, Santiago de Cuba, MAR 15 0450-0503* - canned Presna Latina program, quick ID by man into short orchestral version of NA, off. Presumed R Revolu—n dominating after this one vacated. [Krueger-FL]
- 1550 MEXICO XENU, Nuevo Laredo MAR 21 0225 - Extremely strong signals, completely dominating the channel; ID's heard between each musical selection always included "XENU, La Rancherita de Nuevo Laredo." [Ponder-TX]
- 1620 ARGENTINA Radio Esmeralda Buenos Aires, MAR 22 0205 - Fair to good signals at times dominating the frequency with Spanish talk and music. Esmeralda ID. [VAL-DX]

TRANS-PACIFIC DX

- 738 FRENCH POLYNESIA RFO Mahina, MAR 22 0600 - Fair signals with FF talk and music. Only TP to make it in. Hets heard on 738, 774, and 828. [VAL-DX]

STATION NEWS

- ALGERIA / CLANDESTINE / JAMMER: The clandestine RASD station (ex-1544 kHz) has changed its frequency. After some testings on 1548 kHz, they broadcast now on 1550 kHz (variable). On 1544 kHz can be heard a strong "bubble jamming" coming from the south (loop at 100° from Sevilla -South Spain), surely coming from Morocco and probably sure from a transmitter placed on the Atlantic Moroccan Coast. Curiously, this Moroccan jammer started days after that a political referendum about the Saharan Independence was announced by the Magreb Government to be held in a near future (under Spanish pressure to accept the UN directive against Morocco). [J. Garzón, MEDI DX #35]
- KALININGRAD: WWCR is investigating the use of GPR2 Kaliningrad, 1386 kHz, for their European service. [Wavescan via BE in ARC MAR 10]
- MEXICO: I strongly suggest a visit to Fred Cantu's excellent web page: <http://www.onr.com/user/fcantu/index.htm> for lots of information about new Mexican Cps. [Hall-CA]
- PORTUGAL: New MW station. I have been listening to a new Portuguese MW station from a week or so. On 1035 kHz (ex Radio Comercial) from Lisbon zone broadcast the self identified "NACIONAL" (I suppose "Radio Nacional"). Signal of this station in sevilla (SPAIN) is superb. Perhaps our regular contributor, Carlos Gonçalves, will give us further info about this new station. [J. Garzón, MEDI-DX #35]
- TAIWAN: Variety Network (in Chinese): 585 (1300-1500) 1200 kW, S. Taiwan; 747 (1600-0000) 250 kW China, W.Taiwan; 900 (0400-2200) 300 kW, W. Taiwan; 927 (1000-2200) 1200 kW, China, S.Taiwan; 1098 1000-0100 300 kW, S. China, W.Taiwan; 1206 (1600-2200), 100 kW, W.Taiwan; 1521 (1000-2200), 1200 kW, N.China, S. Taiwan. News Network (in Chinese): 603 (1000-2200), 1000 kW, China, W.Taiwan; 747 (0000-0600), 250 kW, W.Taiwan; 1008 (2200-0600, 1000-1800), 600 kW, S. China, W.Taiwan; 1206 (1600-2200), 100 kW, W.Taiwan; 1422 (2200-0300, 0600-1600), 50 kW, W.Taiwan. Dialect Network (in Amoy, Hakka, Cantonese): 603 (0000-0600), 747 (0900-1600), 1206/1260 (0000-0600, 0900-1500). Voice of Asia (English, Indonesian, Thai): 585 (1100-1300, 1500-1700, 2300-0000). [R.Taipei Int. Magazine, translated by Liu Miller, in Worldwide DX Club MAR 1998]

QUERIES

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CONNELLY THE CAPEMAN

Summary of DX on 13 - 15 MAR 1998 - Mark Connelly

On Friday, I noted somewhat auroral conditions on the car radio as I drove on a cold moonlit night heading down Route 3 through the long stretch of pinelands in Plymouth north of the Sagamore Bridge and Cape Cod Canal. Cubans seemed to be all over the lower part of the dial. The TA hets were the predictable ones from Spain, Algeria, Morocco, and the Canary Islands. A representative channel would be 620: Cuba dominant and a fat het from Canaries-621. I reached Harwich around 10.30 p.m. local (0330 UTC: 14 MAR). One of the experiments I conducted was the phasing of two broadband loops separated by about 43 m / 141 ft. At various times I had these oriented E-W and then N-S. The spacing was along a line that was the same direction as how the two loopheads were oriented. Phasing the loops worked out quite well. Results were a bit better above 800 kHz than below: the ideal frequency for the given spacing, a quarter wave, would be at 1744 kHz. On the lower frequencies, there was somewhat more of a likelihood of nulling forward (desired) and back (interfering) stations together. At 0358 UTC / 14 MAR, I started DXing in earnest. Right away 610 kHz proved interesting with a nice "La Radiodifusora Nacional de Colombia ... la voz del Amazonas" ID. Note that this is Unibia, not Bogotá (RCN). Right after that some Venezuelan ads popped up. This would be either YVSE or YVXY. I looked for the Brazilian I'd noted in Rockport earlier in the week, but no show this time. After 0400 there was some TA action that was Spain-dominated: 999, 1044, 1107, 855, 1116, 1296, 774, 1305, 1359, 1413, 1521, 936, 684, and probably some others I didn't write down. Also had Canaries - 1179 & 621, Libya - 1251, Algeria - 891 & 981. In other words, the basic "big guns", excluding northern Europeans that were "aurora'ed" out of the action. South Americans got less numerous as the evening wore on (and domestics got louder). Big Colombians on 700, 760, and 770 rolled in. In the Caribbean, only the Cubans (several including parallel Progreso's on 640, 660, & 690) and St. Kitts on 555 made much of a show. (Big boomers PJB-800 and R.V.C.-530 were car-radio copyable earlier, per usual.) I called it quits at 0620 UTC. Some of the Spaniards (especially 855) were still booting in good signals then. On the afternoon of Saturday (14 MAR), I did a beach stop at Duxbury Beach, MA on the way home. Bruce Conti had mentioned that he might be over at Rowley at the same time (though his last set of logs indicated that he may have opted for home-only operation). The Duxbury Beach session ran from 2240 UTC (14 MAR) to 0020 UTC (15 MAR). When I started, it was raining a bit, so I just ran two 27 m wires out on the beach (one wire northeast, one southeast) and phased them. I didn't notice a whole lot from Latin America, but the more-southerly Trans-Atlantics weren't bad. In the log: Morocco-1044 (\$9+30), Lesotho (over Spain) -1197, Mauritania-1349 (loud!), France-1467, Saudi Arabia-1521 (huge), Vatican-1530, Spain-1584, Libya-1251, Canaries-1179, Colombia-1170, Morocco-1053, Algeria-981, Cuba-890 (WBPS nulled), Croatia (over Spain)-1134, Spain-1107 & 1071 (both huge), Spain-999, Spain-954, Spain-918, Morocco-612 usual bulldozer signal, Egypt (over Spain)-864, Canaries-837 & a het from presumed Azores-836, Morocco-819 (/ / 612) with Egypt-819 just a bit under, Egypt-774 briefly over Spain, Senegal-765 slightly over Switzerland, W. Sahara-711 loud - about equal to WOR, UK-693 (in big mess with Azores, Spain, others), Spain-603.

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Network listings for team sports stations

Here is Major League Baseball flagship information for the 1998 season from "1998 Sporting News Team Preview", "1998 Sporting News Baseball Guide", and "Baseball America Almanac" (via Ken Onyschuk). Some of this information came via email from Tom Sanders and Bob Karchevsky. Web sources include

http://www.radiodigest.com/sf_radio/sports.htm
<http://www.sfgiants.com>
<http://www.atlantabrades.com>
<http://www.geocities.com/SunsetStrip/4656/indexrad.htm> (via Tom Sanders)

I have little announcer information; I decided not to list last year's announcers, as there probably have been changes for this season.

I have these network lists - Toronto Blue Jays, Kansas City Royals, San Francisco Giants, and Los Angeles Dodgers. Please send me any lists you have (or send me the URLs of web pages that contain network lists. Or if you only have the names of the announcers, send those.

Anaheim Angels	710	KMPC-CA	b	Brian Barnhart, Mario Impemba
	1110	KLRA-CA	b	
	94.3	KIKF-CA	x	
Arizona Diamondbacks	1090	KPRS-BC (SS)		
Atlanta Braves	620	KTAR-AZ		
	750	WSB-GA		Skip Caray, Pete Van Wieren, Don Sutton, Joe Simpson
Baltimore Orioles	1090	WBAL-MD		Jim Hunter, Fred Manfra, Chuck Thompson
Boston Red Sox	680	WEEI-MA		
Chicago Cubs	720	WGN-IL		
Chicago White Sox	1000	WMVP-IL		
Cincinnati Reds	700	WLW-OH		
Cleveland Indians	1220	WKNR-OH		Mike Hegan, Dave Nelson, Tom Hamilton
Colorado Rockies	850	KOA-CO		
Detroit Tigers	760	WJR-MI		Frank Beckman, Lary Sorensen
Florida Marlins	560	WQAM-FL (EE)		
	1210	WNMA-FL (SS)	a	
	1700	WCMQ-FL (SS)	a	
Houston Astros	610	KILT-TX		
	1320	KXYZ-TX (SS)		
Kansas City Royals	980	KMBZ-MO		
Los Angeles Dodgers	1150	KXTA-CA (EE)	c	Vin Scully, Ross Porter, Rick Monday
	1330	KWKW-CA (SS)		
Milwaukee Brewers	620	WTMJ-WI		
Minnesota Twins	830	WCCO-MN		
Montreal Expos	600	CIQC-PQ (EE)		
	730	CKAC-PQ (FF)		
New York Mets	660	WFAN-NY		
New York Yankees	770	WABC-NY		
Oakland Athletics	910	KNEW-CA		Bill King, Ken Korach, Ray Fosse
	990	KATD-CA		
Philadelphia Phillies	1210	WPNT-PA		
Pittsburgh Pirates	1020	KDKA-PA		
Saint Louis Cardinals	1120	KMOX-MO		
San Diego Padres	760	KFMB-CA		
San Francisco Giants	680	KNBR-CA (EE)		Jon Miller, Ted Robinson, Mike Krukow, Duane Kuiper, Lon Simmons
	1010	KIQI-CA (SS)	h	Amaury Pi-Gonzales, Rene De La Rosa
Tampa Bay Devil Rays	970	WFLA-FL		
Texas Rangers	1080	KRLD-TX (EE)		
	1480	KMRT-TX (SS)		

Toronto Blue Jays 106.7 KMRT-TX (SS)
1050 CHUM-ON

- a The sources have "1210 WCMQ-FL", but 1210 is WNMA-FL and 1700 is WCMQ-FL. I don't know which station will carry the Marlins' broadcasts.
- b The publications all have 710 KMPC-CA, but the "LA Times" has 1110 KLRA-CA. Tom Sanders (via e-mail) says that KLRA is correct.
- c KXTA will rebroadcast the previous days' game at midnight Pacific Time. Tom Sanders does not know if this is only on KXTA or if other stations on the network will carry the rebroadcast.
- h This station broadcasts home games (and selected road games).
- x 94.3 KIKF-CA will broadcast Angels' night games due to KLRA's poor signal in Orange County.

Geomagnetic Summary

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High "A" values indicate possible auroral conditions

Geomagnetic Summary February 20 1998 through March 26 1998

GEO - Geomagnetic activity
maf - major flare
mas - major storm
mis - minor storm

pca - polar cap absorption
SA - Solar Activity
spe - satellite proton event
ss - severe storm

Date	FLUX	A	K	SA	GEO	OTHER
2/20	96	7	1	low	quiet	-
21	95	2	1	very low	quiet	swa
22	96	4	2	low	quiet	swa
23	99	8	1	low	quiet-unsettled	swa
24	99	2	1	low	quiet	swa
25	95	2	0	very low	quiet	swa
26	93	0	0	very low	quiet	swa
27	90	4	3	very low	quiet-unsettled	swa ends
2/28	94	10	3	very low	quiet-active	-
3/ 1	98	7	3	low	quiet-unsettled	-
2	z	z	1	low	quiet-active	-
3	97	4	2	low	quiet	-
4	102	6	1	low	quiet	-
5	97	9	3	low	quiet-active	-
6	92	8	1	low	quiet-unsettled	-
7	92	3	0	very low	quiet-unsettled	-
8	91	1	1	low	quiet	-
9	90	2	2	low	quiet	-
10	96	33	4	very low	active-mas	mis 0900
11	101	25	4	low	quiet-mis	mis end 2100
12	102	13	2	very low	quiet-active	-
14	120	9	3	low	quiet-mis	-
15	133	18	3	moderate	quiet-unsettled	-
16	124	12	3	low	quiet-unsettled	-
17	126	8	2	low	quiet-unsettled	-
18	127	4	1	moderate	quiet	-
19	125	3	1	low	quiet-unsettled	-
20	127	8	2	low	quiet-unsettled	-
21	126	26	2	low	quiet-mas	-
22	128	10	3	moderate	quiet-active	-
23	122	5	1	low	quiet	-
24	121	6	3	low	quiet-unsettled	-
25	115	12	1	low	quiet-active	-
3/26	110	8	3	moderate	quiet-active	-

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Time for a mid-volume Muse. First of all, I want to thank NRCers Dave Bright, John Zondlo, and Ernie Wesolowski for their contributions to College Sports Networks this year. The column will return again in August in time for football season. It's been a so-so year for new loggings from the Iowa City QTH. January saw 8 new stations arrive here, the best of those being KRFX-1080 on 1/16 SSS during a western opening that also produced KLTf-670, KDWG-970, and KGXL-1650. New catches during February included WKBN-570, WKBY-1080, WPHG-1620, WKTE-1090, KFNN-1510, and WNVY-1090. Only DX tests to make it here in 1998 have been WVNS-670 and WGAI-560. WNAV-1430 may have been heard, but is very tentative. Reports during the 1997-98 season have gone out to KLMR-920, KITA-1440, WPTF-680, KSIR-1010, WXWY-1000, and KAAB-1130. So far, the last three have QSL'ed. Reports to Mississippi and Louisiana, two unverified states from this QTH, may be forthcoming: WVMI-570, WBSL-1190, and WSKR-1210 have all been coming in well most evenings during recent weeks. I enjoyed John Callarman's GTG in Mount Vernon last October. Good to finally meet Mark Burns and to make re-acquaintances with the host. The 9th Annual "Conrad Family Reunion" for SW/MW/FM DXers is May 15-17 in Wisconsin Dells, WI, and I'm going to try my darndest to make that one. On the local scene, the CLs for Iowa City's new station on 1630 will be KCJK. But so far, there's not even been any testing of any sort on 1630, so I've no idea how soon KCJK will go on the air, or if KCJJ-1560 is planning on doing any simulcasting. I'll be sending some CPC stamps to Bill Hale soon in an effort to try to get stations from Oregon, Nevada, Idaho, Washington, Maine, Vermont, and Rhode Island to test for DXers next fall. I know many of us would desperately like to hear some new stations (or, in some cases, ANY stations!) from these states. That's all for now. 73 de RWD from the Heartland

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