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DX CALENDAR

Saturday, July 21, 1990. Pool Party/DX GTG at Ric Heald's 12 noon until ????. Please see last page of this issue's WDXF for exact directions.

Saturday, July 21, 1990. DX/BBQ GTG at Steve Mittman's home 1 PM until ????. YES, both are scheduled the same day.

For Southern California, details per card from Steve: "Bring food for yourself and to share. Soft drinks provided by host. Enjoy unusual San Diego TV/FM ex in L.A. County! Directions: 110 (Harbor) Freeway south to end. Left on Gaffey; right on First; left on Western; right on 25th; left on Anchovy; right on 37th Street. (Note: There is no 36th St!). Steve Mittman, 2248 West 37th St., San Pedro, CA 90732-4506. (213) 833-1010. RSVP."

Friday, October 5, through Sunday, October 7, 1990. The 1990 IRCA/Monitoring Times Magazine Convention. For more details, see a future issue of DX Monitor or call Karl Zuk at 800-221-7386 x4539.

If you notice ANY errors, please let Don Erickson, IRCA HQ, know right away. (714) 687-5910. All CPC info for DX Calendar, all changes of address, and all membership renewals should be addressed to IRCA, Donald Erickson, 6059 Essex Street, Riverside, CA 92504-1599. The deadline for last minute phone calls is 10 PM Saturday night, 7 days before date of issue. ---Don Erickson

Bulletin Schedule

Future bulletins will be dated June 16, July 14 and Aug. 11, 1990. As we go toward monthly issues, it is important both members and editors watch the deadlines carefully. As always, a bulletin dated on a Saturday above is put together beginning 7 days prior to that date of issue, with the exception of holiday weeks.

DECALcoMANIA Annual Summer Get-together

---is currently being planned for the northwest suburbs of Chicago, likely August 17th thru 19th, 1990. Non-members are encouraged to attend and full details are available by sending a SASE to: Mark Strickert, 3852 N. Oconto Ave., Chicago, IL 60634.

In This Issue

All sections except Eastern DX Roundup and DX Worldwide - East are in this issue. As a change in policy, editors need no longer advise if there will be no column. Those columns not on hand at deadline will be listed as "no reports". As previously stated, DXR and DXWW editors are alone responsible for decisions on what is timely DX. -DEE, IRCA EiC



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NEXT DEADLINE: JUNE 5, 1990

PAN-AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 590 **CUBA**, Santa Clara CMHI 5/6 0923 Poor w/Reloj pips u/KRSO/XEE mix. New, Cuba #24. (TRH-CA2)
MEXICO, Durango XEE 5/6 0910 Exc sigs on new ESE wire with "XEE, Radio Festival" ID and ad. Followed by several "Doble-E, Radio Festival en Durango" slogans. Definitely still here, did not move to 1580. New, XE #190. (TRH-CA2)
- 620 **CUBA**, Colon CMGN 5/6 0848 Rebelde program // 670. (TRH-CA2)
- 630 **MEXICO**, unID 5/2 0330 Baseball game, pause for network ID; mentioned XEQC-1390. Probably XEFX Guaymas. (TRH-CA)
- 640 **MEXICO**, Fresnillo XEYQ 5/6 0441 "Radio Fresnillo" slogan screamed out by man between songs. (See XELK-830 log below). New, XE #187. (TRH-CA2)
- 690 **MEXICO**, unID 5/6 0447-0500* Poor-fair sigs, local XETRA phased (ESE/SE wires). "Radio Sensacion" slogans. Announcements mentioned an organization with bases in Ciudad Juarez and Mazatlan. Possibly a new station in Mazatlan, or a slogan change for some stn we've already heard. (TRH-CA2)
- 700 **MEXICO**, unID 5/6 0500 XE anthem and off. East wire, probably XEGD. (TRH-CA2)
- 710 **MEXICO**, Cuauhtemoc XEDP 5/6 0602 Blasting in with usual "Radio D-F, La Ranchera de Cuauhtemoc" jingles. No KMPC on ESE wire. (TRH-CA2)
- 730 **COSTA RICA**, San Jose TIHB 5/6 0904 Very weak but clearly // SW 6006, which was booming in. New, Costa Rica #3. (TRH-CA2)
- 740 **MEXICO**, unID 5/6 0939 in SS u/KCBS test tones on ESE wire. Probably unneeded XEVAY but could be needed XELTZ. (TRH-CA2)
- 780 **MEXICO**, Autlan XELD 5/6 1208 Very good on ESE wire this morning with male DJ playing lively songs. Caught a nice ID on tape at 1212. (TRH-CA2)
- 790 **MEXICO**, Chihuahua XERPC 5/6 0600 Virtually alone on channel on ESE wire. No sign of KABC on this antenna. (TRH-CA2)
- 810 **COLOMBIA**, Bogota HJCY 5/6 0937 Huge signal over ZNS3 Bahamas during KGO SP. Usual CARACOL net programming, this time noted // on 1100 kHz. (TRH-CA)
MEXICO, Cintalapa XEIN 5/6 1118-1131 Very good signals, lots of "XEIN, La Voz del Valle" IDs by male and female anchors during "Domingo Espectacular" program. A nice surprise for XE #191 and station #1000! (TRH-CA2)
- 830 **MEXICO** Zacatecas XELK 5/6 0617-0700* Very good at times with songs, time checks by male DJ, jingles which sounded like "La Diversion". Other slogans are "Onda Juvenil" and "La L-K". S/off anmt just before 0700 mentioned a 4 stn "Radio Sistema Zacatecas" network which included XELK and XEYQ-640 "Radio Fresnillo", XEZC-810 "Radio Canon", and XEXZ-1150 "La Z de Zacatecas." Ex-1280, replaces XEUA which was previously listed here. New, XE #189. (TRH-CA2)
- 840 **MEXICO**, Tamazula XEXXX 5/6 *1200-1208 Very good signals at s/on with XE anthem, male DJ welcoming listeners, ID "...en XE-triple-X, desde Tamazula", then 11 ads for business in Tamazula (most ending in "Aqui en Tamazula") and one for a store in nearby Ciudad Guzman. Another new stn; haven't seen this one reported anywhere. CA & HI DXers should try for it. New, XE #192. (TRH-CA2)
- 870 **MEXICO**, unID 5/6 0852 unIDed "Radio Hacil" affiliate here all night // another unIDed affiliate on 1370. Best guess would be Mazatlan. (TRH-CA2)

- 950 MEXICO, unID 5/2 0316 Satellite feed of SS play-by-play of Kansas City - Milwaukee BB Game. Possibly XEORF Los Mochis, hrd garbled ID @0323. (TRH-CA)
- 980 MEXICO, Nueva Rosita XENR 5/6 0512 Poor-fair on E wire u/KFWB, XEKE. IDs, promo annmts. XEKE all alone on ESE wire. Was hoping for XEFQ. (TRH-CA2)
- 990 MEXICO, Cuauhtemoc XEER 5/6 1205 Sign-on mentioned Sistema Radio Lobo. Slogan remains Radio Formula, though. (TRH-CA)
- MEXICO, Mexicali XECL 4/14 0630 Poor with numerous IDs in what sounded like s/off in CBW SP. (SA-MB)
- 1010 MEXICO, Guadalajara XEHL 4/13 1050 Poor; slow & fast Mexican mx selections; ID at 1100 as XEHL La Ponderossa. (SA-MB)
- 1060 MEXICO, Mexico, D.F. XEEP 5/6 0844 Very good signals // 6185 SW. (TRH-CA2)
- 1070 MEXICO, unID 5/6 0527 presumed XEOBS on ESE wire OVER KNX for several hours. ESE wire effectively knocks down some Los Angeles area pests. (TRH-CA2)
- MEXICO, unID 5/6 1228 Male DJ mentioned Guerrero. Good at first, but lost completely when Mormon Tabernacle Choir pgm started on KNX. (TRH-CA2)
- 1100 COLOMBIA, Barranquilla HJAT 5/6 0831 Very good with CARACOL newscast // HJCY-810. Eventually faded u/KFAX. (TRH-CA2)
- 1140 MEXICO, Monterrey XEMR 5/6 0718 On top of channel with ID. (TRH-CA2)
- 1180 CUBA, La Habana Radio Taino 4/21 0929 Fair; SS & EE ID for Radio Taino by man & woman, into Latin mx. (SA-MB)
- 1280 MEXICO, unID 5/6 1027 Poor u/XEHS on E wire with "12-80" slogans and GMT-6 TCs. Soon faded u/XEHS. Strongly suspect XEBW Chihuahua. Could be XEAW as well. Both still needed here. (TRH-CA2)
- 1310 MEXICO, Agua Prieta XEFH 5/6 0437 Good signals, no sign of local XEC. Ads for business in nearby Douglas, AZ. When this stn is in, we know the E beverage is working! (TRH-CA2)
- 1350 MEXICO, unIDs 5/6 0602 Two XE anthems on ESE wire. (TRH-CA2)
- 1370 MEXICO, unID 5/6 0927 unID "Radio Hacia" aff. on ESE wire all night. Not XERPUP, which was in all night as well. (TRH-CA2)
- MEXICO, unID 5/6 1213 Fair sigs, hard to read at times. Ads mentioned the Pope's upcoming visit, and noted that musicians from Zacatecas would be playing. Today's newspaper says the Pope is in Mexico City, but also mentions stops in Veracruz and San Juan de Los Lagos. Possibly unn XERPUP, but several others are possible. (TRH-CA2)
- 1400 MEXICO, Culiacan XEEX 5/6 0606-0822 Fair w/something I've never heard before -- radio coverage of a beauty contest! Tons of local mentions, also mentioned that they were simulcasting XEVQ-830. Very quick s/off as soon as the pageant ended at 0822. New, XE #188. (TRH-CA2)
- 1590 MEXICO, Mexico City XEVOZ 4/24 1030 "Radio Voz". (CB-HI)

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 540 WESTERN SAMOA, 2AP often good w/Island mx & talk. Hrd after 0930 4/21. (CB-HI)
- 774 AUSTRALIA, Melbourne 3LO fair with two men discussing FB game at 1155 4/22. Some QRM from Fiji. (CB-HI)
- 828 JAPAN, Osaka JOBB w/EE lessons 1135 4/9. (JB-WA1)
- 1296 AUSTRALIA, Brisbane 4BK "Radio Queensland" call-in talk show // to SW 4920 & 9660 w/fair sig, no QRM, 1130 4/22. (CB-HI)
- 1548 AUSTRALIA, EMERALD 4QD Most consistent Aussie. 1138 4/22. (CB-HI)
- 1620 AUSTRALIA, Canberra 1PPP dominated other 1620 sigs from 1300 to 1305 s/off 4/9. Clear, beautiful, no QRM! Then could hear what was probably the Brisbane 4RPH at a lower level. Gordon Darling says 1PPP sometimes is AN on weekends relaying Radio Australia. (JB-WA1)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

- SA-MB SHAWN AXELROD, 30 Becontree Bay, Winnipeg, Manitoba R2N 2X9 R70 & 3 foot box loop
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BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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Deadlines: 6/2, 6/30, 7/28, etc. * * * compiled 5/14/90

My fault: for some reason, last DXM didn't get marked on my calendar as one I was preparing a column for, so I didn't. Oops. So there's five weeks of material here, and a very large column. The bright side: that was the last DXM lacking a BI, they'll be in every issue from now on. Unless, of course, YOU don't support the column, in which case I will have to personally take time from my busy schedule to come to your house and flog you with wet penguin flippers. Don't let this happen.

Not my fault: someone got the impression from my forum in the most recent issue that I was planning to move to Knoxville. NO, THAT'S WHERE THIS YEAR'S IRCA CONVENTION IS. Why else would anyone go to Knoxville?

Now on with the column, starting with the section Knoxville made famous:

GOING OFF THE AIR

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>power/antenna</u>	<u>state/city</u>
KCLS	600	5000/500	DA-N AZ FLAGSTAFF ad. con. reported silent
WKZX	950	5000/5000	DA-1 ME PRESQUE ISLE was AC/oldies, now silent
WBZR	1120	1000/	ND-D FL DESTIN was business news, silent
KLAY	1180	2400/1000	DA-N WA LAKEWOOD has "officially" moved here ex-1480, KTGN/KDFL-1480 are now on the air and KLAY will be silent until the 1180 facility is ready this summer
WCKJ	1230	1000/1000	ND GA AUGUSTA was oldies, reported silent (again)
WKCE	1230	1000/1000	ND TN HARRIMAN was country, probably off the air
KTOL	1280	1000/500	DA-N WA LACEY was AC, reported silent
KICK	1340	1000/1000	ND MO SPRINGFIELD was oldies, silent (Stewart-MO)
WCLB	1400	1000/1000	ND GA CAMILLA was country, reported silent
KVRP	1400	1000/1000	ND TX STAMFORD was country, probably off the air
KBAL	1410	500/	ND-D TX SAN SABA was country, now silent
WOIR	1430	5000/500	DA-1 FL HOMESTEAD was Spanish, reported silent
KZXR	1460	5000/5000	DA-1 CA SALINAS silent or to be silent until a new xmtr site is found (Hilliker-CA)
WMIB	1480	1000/1000	DA-2 FL MARCO ISLAND was standards, reported silent
WGZB	1550	250/	ND-D IN CORYDON silent, FM is back on the air but the AM's not; new owners are trying to donate the AM to the local school district!
WSMD	1560	1000/	ND-D MD LA PLATA was rock oldies, now silent (w/FM)
WFJT	1590	1000/	ND-D KY INEZ was country, now silent
WETT	1590	1000/500	DA-2 MD OCEAN CITY was AC, off air "pending move"

GOING ON THE AIR

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>power/antenna</u>	<u>state/city</u>
WORD	910	5000/1000	DA-2 SC SPARTANBURG silent, hopes to return from new xmtr site in August (relaying WFBC-1330)
KNSA	930	2500/2500	ND AK UNALAKLEET new, variety
KRPX	1080	2500/	ND-D UT PRICE silent, to return upon sale
WFNW	1380	5000/500	DA-2 CT NAUGATUCK silent, to be Spanish upon sale
KIDZ	1510	10000/	ND-D MO INDEPENDENCE silent, now black AC, still plans a children's format but had to rush this on air so they could keep their license
KLLB	1510	10000/	ND-D UT WEST JORDAN was silent, now WNN motivational talk to Salt Lake City (Johnson-MT)
WSPZ	1520	2500/	ND-D GA DOUGLASVILLE back on w/religion
KGTN	1530	1000/	ND-D TX CREEDMORE was silent, now business news
KZIZ	1560	500/	ND-D WA SUMNER was off, back w/black // KRIZ-1420

NEW STATIONS

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>power/antenna</u>	<u>state/city</u>
new	530	1000/250	DA-2 BC SURREY allocation granted (KARI is angry!)
WKNJ	550	500/	DA-D NJ LAKESIDE granted extension of time

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>power/antenna</u>	<u>state/city</u>
KMCE	650	25000/5000	DA-2 CA RANCHO CORDOVA granted extension of time
KMVP	670	5000/1000	DA-N CO COMMERCE CITY granted 2500 w days
WLSY	680	1300/450	DA-2 KY NEWBERG granted extension of time, latest target date was May 15 (Smith-KY)
KRMW	700	50000/1000	DA-2 CO SILT requests another extension of time!!!
new	700	2500/800	DA-2 TX FORNEY new stn reapplication
WRBR	720	5000/	ND-D MS RICHLAND granted extension of time
WVNE	760	5000/	ND-D MA LEICESTER applies 10000 w days, 9200 w CH
new	800	500/500	DA-2 PA BROCKWAY new station application
WCRN	830	3000/1000	ND MA CHERRY VALLEY granted new xmtr location
KRKL	840	2500/500	DA-D CA YOUNTVILLE applies for 5000/1000 w, DA-N
new	870	250/250	DA-2 DE CHRISTIANA new station application
WJFG	890	500/	DA-D NY SOLVAY granted extension of time
WMVU	900	1000/	ND-D NH NASHUA granted 910 w days
new	930	4500/2500	DA-2 CA SALINAS new stn app. returned
WRRD	940	480/	DA-D WV BLENNERHASSETT granted extension of time
KIDH	1000	10000/	DA-D ID EAGLE applies for extension of time
WBAJ	1020	2500/	DA-D SC BLYTHEWOOD granted extension of time
WCAG	1030	25000/500	DA-2 FL OVEIDO applies for new xmtr location
KIRS	1040	9500/4500	DA-2 CA SAN DIEGO wants CP to reinstate exp. permt
new	1060	250/	ND-D TX HAMBY new stn app. returned
WFLU	1120	1000/	ND-D SC FLORENCE granted CP to reinst. exp. permit
WELX	1160	500/250	ND FL CALLAHAN requests extension of time, this also applies for their synchronous xmtr
WPVG	1160	1000/250	DA-2 MD FUNKSTOWN target date was April 30
WVNJ	1160	10000/2500	DA-2 NJ OAKLAND target date is now August
WBCQ	1180	700/	DA-D PA QUAKERTOWN applies for 900 w days
WMIW	1190	690/	ND-D SC ATLANTIC BEACH granted extension of time
KCPC	1200	2500/740	DA-2 CA CATHEDRAL CITY applies for new xmtr locn
WLAW	1270	5000/5000	DA-2 MA FAIRHAVEN wants CP to reinstate exp. permt
new	1340	250/250	ND PA TYRONE app. for synch. xmtr for WTRN-1340
WCEG	1530	500/	ND-D MA MIDDLEBOROUGH applies for 1000 w ND-D
KITH	1550	800/	DA-D CA APPLE VALLEY granted extension of time, applies for 5000 w days
WNJO	1550	10000/3500	DA-2 NJ SEASIDE PARK applies to move to Toms River NJ; 6000/3000 w, DA-2, new xmtr location
new	1570	1000/1000	DA-2 HI HAIKU new station application
new	1600	500/250	DA-2 TX GIDDINGS new station application

CHANGES IN EXISTING FACILITIES

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>power/antenna</u>	<u>state/city</u>
KPUP	540	10000/500	DA-2 CA CARMEL VALLEY applies for 50000 w days
WAYR	550	2500/	ND-D FL ORANGE PARK applies for 5000 w ND days
WMCA	570	5000/5000	DA-1 NY NEW YORK applies for 50000/30000 w, DA-1 (yes, you read correctly, see note @ end)
KSAZ	580	5000/5000	DA-2 AZ TUCSON applies for move to Marana AZ; 1000 w nights, DA-2 (stn now off the air)
WOKV	600	5000/4500	DA-N FL JACKSONVILLE applies to modify night DA
KIPA	620	5000/5000	ND HI HILO applies for 10000/10000 w ND for main stn and for each of two synchronous xmtrs
KWAL	620	1000/1000	DA-2 ID WALLACE applies for 5000 w days, DA-2
WNNZ	640	50000/1000	DA-2 MA WESTFIELD applies for 15000 w nights, modify day DA pattern
WBMX	640	1000/250	ND MI ZEELAND applies to move to Merrillville IN
WCRV	640	10000/500	DA-N TN COLLIERVILLE applies for 50000 w days
KWNK	670	1000/1000	DA-1 CA SIMI VALLEY applies for 5000 w days
KTCJ	690	500/	DA-D MN MINNEAPOLIS app. returned, reapplies for 1500/500 w, DA-1
KSUR	700	330/500	DA-2 CA SOLEDAD applies for 2500/700 w DA-2
CKRD	700	50000/25000	DA-2 AB RED DEER granted changes in night DA
KUET	710	50000/	DA-D AZ BLACK CANYON CITY reapplies 4200 w nights
WCPT	730	5000/20	DA-D VA ALEXANDRIA applies for 380 w nights, DA-D
WIAC	740	10000/10000	DA-1 PR SAN JUAN applies for 3000 w nights
WCHP	760	25000/	DA-D NY CHAMPLAIN applies for 230 w nights, DA-1
KCHU	770	500/500	ND AK VALDEZ granted 9750/9750 w ND
CFNW	790	1000/1000	DA-1 NF PORT AU CHOIX granted changed day/nite DAs
KQCV	800	250/	ND-D OK OKLAHOMA CITY applies for 2500/500 w, DA-1
KMDY	850	500/250	DA-1 CA THOUSAND OAKS applies 50000/1000 w DA-1
WODY	900	500/	DA-D VA BASSETT applies for 2000 w days, DA-D

call	KHz	power/antenna	state/city
WCMG	910	500/	ND-D TN LAWRENCEBURG applies move to Columbia TN
WEKO	930	2500/2500	ND PR CABO ROJO app. dismissed for 4400 w nights
KEYQ	980	500/	ND-D CA FRESNO app. returned for 250 w nights
WALE	990	50000/500	DA-1 RI PROVIDENCE app. returned for 10000 w night
KKGZ	1010	5000/10	DA-1 CO BRUSH applies for 10000 w days, 5000 w CH
WFGW	1010	50000/60	DA-1 NC BLACK MOUNTAIN applies for 500 w nights, 19000 w critical hours
WNTK	1020	6500/	DA-D NH NEWPORT applies for 10000 w days, DA-D
WAMN	1040	1500/	ND-D WV GREEN VALLEY applies to move to 1050 KHz; 1430/250 w ND
KIJN	1060	5000/250	DA-2 TX FARWELL applies for 5000 w days, DA-2
KFIT	1060	2000/60	DA-1 TX LOCKHART applies to move Sunset Valley TX
WKII	1090	4800/2500	DA-N FL PORT CHARLOTTE applies to move to Solana FL; move to 1070 KHz; 3100/400 w, DA-N
WEDE	1130	1000/	ND-D NC EDEN applies for 5000/250 w ND
WPIE	1160	1000/500	DA-2 NY TRUMANSBURG applies for 5000/310 w, DA-2
WMLX	1180	1000/	DA-D KY FLORENCE amends app. for 1160 KHz move to 10000 w days, DA-2
KKAR	1180	5000/1000	DA-2 NE BELLEVUE applies for 25000 w days, DA-2
WANN	1190	50000/	DA-D MD ANNAPOLIS granted 10000 w DA-D
WLIB	1190	10000/	DA-D NY NEW YORK applies to add night operation on 1200 KHz, 5000 w (to stay on 1190 days)
WGDL	1200	250/	ND-D PR LARES applies for 1000/1000 w ND
KTSJ	1220	250/250	DA-1 CA POMONA app. returned for 930 w days
WXCT	1220	1000/320	DA-1 CT HAMDEN applies for 5000/1000 w, DA-1
WXRA	1220	1000/	ND-D NY NORTH SYRACUSE granted extension of time for move to 1200 KHz
KBRF	1250	5000/1000	DA-2 MN FERGUS FALLS applies for 2200 w night DA-N
CHWO	1250	10000/5000	DA-2 ON OAKVILLE granted changes in night pattern
KTRT	1270	1000/26	ND OK CLAREMORE applies for 1000 w nights
WADO	1280	5000/5000	DA-1 NY NEW YORK applies for 50000/50000 w DA-1
CJMR	1320	20000/20000	DA-2 ON MISSISSAUGA granted changed day/night DA's
WFTO	1330	5000/	ND-D MS FULTON applies for 900 KHz, 3000 w ND days
WALL	1340	1000/1000	ND NY MIDDLETOWN applies for 660/660 w ND
WCRM	1350	1000/150	DA-1 FL FORT MYERS applies for 5000 w days, DA-1
WWBZ	1360	5000/1000	DA-2 NJ VINELAND applies to move to Washington Township NJ; 5000 w days
KIPO	1380	5000/5000	ND HI PEARL CITY applies for 10000/10000 w ND
KAGE	1380	1000/520	ND MN WINONA granted 4000 w ND days
WVIN	1380	500/	ND-D NY WVIN applies for 5000/350 w ND
CKPC	1380	10000/10000	DA-2 ON BRANTFORD granted 25000/25000 w, DA-2
KBEC	1390	500/	DA-D TX WAXAHACHIE applies for 270 w nights, DA-1
WJWF	1400	1000/1000	ND MS COLUMBUS applies to move to 860 KHz
WOND	1400	580/1000	ND NJ PLEASANTVILLE applies for 1000 w ND days
KCOL	1410	5000/1000	DA-1 CO FORT COLLINS applies for 5000/5000 w DA-2
WYMB	1410	1000/	ND-D SC MANNING amends app. for 920 KHz to 5000 w
WNWZ	1430	2500/2500	DA-1 TN GERMANTOWN applies for 2800 w days
WCHM	1500	5000/	ND-D GA CLARKESVILLE applies to move to 1490 KHz; 1000/1000 w ND
WAKE	1500	1000/	DA-D IN VALPARAISO applies to move to 970 KHz; 400/700 w, DA-1
WMJL	1500	250/	ND-D KY MARION applies for 175 w days
WTLN	1520	5000/	DA-D FL APOPKA reapplies for 700 KHz; 10000 w days
KYND	1520	500/	ND-D TX CYPRESS applies for 3200 w days, 2800 w CH
WSMD	1560	1000/	ND-D MD LA PLATA app. returned for move to 800 KHz, 250/250 w ND (stn is now off the air)
WCDN	1560	1000/	DA-D OH CHARDON applies for 870 KHz, 1000/250 DA-1
KZIZ	1560	500/	ND-D WA SUMNER applies for 1000 w ND nights
WBUX	1570	5000/50	DA-1 PA DOYLESTOWN applies for 950 w nights, DA-1
WPGC	1580	50000/	DA-D MD MORNINGSIDE app. dismissed for 400 w nites
WMTI	1580	5000/2500	DA-N PR MOROVIS app. returned for 10000 w days

CALL LETTER CHANGES

(\$ means change accompanies a station sale; * check for format info)

WDRV	550	NC Statesville	is*	WAME	KYTE	970	OR Portland	is now*	KESI
KJMM	580	AZ Tucson		KS AZ	KBBQ	990	CA Santa Barbara	\$	KTUN
KIZN	730	ID Boise		* KUCL	WIFX	1000	KY Jenkins		WKVG
WBOZ	880	PR Sabana Grande		WYKO	KJYE	1100	CO Grand Junction	\$*	KNZZ
WMOY	910	VA Roanoke		* WBNI	KEZQ	1150	AR N. Little Rock	\$	KLRG

new 1180 WA Lakewood is * KLAY	KKOA 1460 NE Kearney is now	KKPR
(moves from 1480 KHz)	WJIT 1480 NY New York	* WZRC
WISP 1230 NC Kinston	WQDW	
KWPR 1270 OK Claremore	\$ KTRT	KLAY 1480 WA Lakewood
WHRP 1270 TN Portland	\$ WQKR	* KDFL
WEZQ 1300 AL Winfield	\$ WDXD	KLAY 1480 WA Lakewood
WGH 1310 VA Newport News	\$ WRAP	* KTCN
KZAM 1320 OR Springfield	* KHNN	(KDFL/KTCN is a new share-time)
WSSY 1330 IL Evanston	WKTA	WKJR 1520 MI Muskegon Hgts
WHOT 1330 OH Campbell	* FNVN	* WQWQ
WFMJ 1390 OH Youngstown	* WHOT	KNNW 1550 NM Santa Fe
		* KMSJ
		KVRA 1550 WA Vancouver
		* KOSZ
		KBQC 1580 IA Davenport
		* KFQC

FORMAT CHANGES

<u>call</u>	<u>KHz</u>	<u>state/city</u>	
WAME	550	NC STATESVILLE	was WDRV, remains religion
WHBQ	560	TN MEMPHIS	was oldies, rock, now black days, heavy metal nites
WLVA	590	VA LYNCHBURG	was AC, talk, now contemporary Christian
CKXJ	610	NF GRAND BANK	was CKYQ, AC, now country // CKXD-1010
WBMQ	630	GA SAVANNAH	oldies, adds Talknet
KTIB	640	LA THIBODAUX	was country, now Music of Your Life ad. standards
WBMX	640	MI ZEELAND	new, black
CKXB	670	NF MUSGRAVETOWN	was CHYQ, AC, now country // CKXD-1010
CKXG	680	NF GRAND FALLS	was CIYQ, AC, now country // CKXD-1010
WRZN	720	FL HERNANDO	was satellite oldies, now satellite ad. standards
KUCL	730	ID BOISE	was KIZN, country // FM, now rock oldies
WMBG	740	VA WILLIAMSBURG	was adult contemporary, now MOYL adult stds
WWAX	750	PA OLYPHANT	was AC/oldies/business news, now all oldies
WPJM	800	SC GREER	was rock oldies, now gospel
CKLW	800	ON WINDSOR	adult standards, adds Larry King
WEKG	810	KY JACKSON	was adult contemporary // FM, now country
WEDO	810	PA MCKEESPORT	religion, adult standards, adds business news
WNEZ	910	CT NEW BRITAIN	was easy listening, now satellite rock oldies
KINA	910	KS SALINA	was country, now satellite adult standards
WSBA	910	PA YORK	was rock oldies, talk, now adult contemporary & talk
WBNI	910	VA ROANOKE	was WTOY, black, now business news
CJYQ	930	NF ST. JOHNS	was adult contemporary, now country
KTWN	940	TX TEXARKANA	was rock oldies, now easy listening
KESI	970	OR PORTLAND	was KYTE, fine arts, now easy listening
KUPI	980	ID AMMON	was rock oldies, now MOYL adult standards
CKXD	1010	NF GANDER	was CFYQ, adult contemporary, now country "Kicks"
KYXE	1020	WA SELAH	was country, now Spanish to Yakima
KNZZ	1100	CO GRAND JUNCTION	was easy listening // FM, now news
WTBQ	1110	NY WARWICK	was rock oldies, now satellite adult standards
WDGY	1130	MN MINNEAPOLIS	was country, now news-talk
WHHR	1130	SC HILTON HEAD ISLAND	was easy listening //FM, now travel info
VWVJ	1160	NJ OAKLAND	new, will be 50's rock oldies
KYVA	1230	NM GALLUP	was country, now satellite rock oldies
WCOL	1230	OH COLUMBUS	was adult standards, now satellite rock oldies
WGGA	1240	GA GAINESVILLE	was adult standards, now soft AC // FM
WVKZ	1240	NY SCHENECTADY	was CHR/rock // FM, now news-talk
WMTR	1250	NJ MORRISTOWN	was AC, now "Money Radio" bus. news (Fitz-CT)
KTFI	1270	ID TWIN FALLS	was soft AC, now satellite adult standards
WXYT	1270	MI DETROIT	news-talk, drops Larry King, adds Talknet
WLXG	1300	KY LEXINGTON	was rock oldies, now news-talk
WKXI	1300	MS JACKSON	black, adds satellite black oldies
KNOX	1310	ND GRAND FORKS	was adult contemporary, now sat. rock oldies
KHNN	1320	OR SPRINGFIELD	was KZAM, rock oldies, now news
FNVN	1330	OH CAMPBELL	was WHOT, standards, now BRN business news
WHUB	1340	NE FREMONT	was AC // FM, now talk
WWPA	1340	PA WILLIAMSPORT	was adult contemporary, now sat. ad. standards
WNLK	1350	CT NORWALK	was adult contemporary, now satellite ad. standards
WHOT	1390	OH YOUNGSTOWN	was WFMJ, WHOT moves from 1330, stays ad. stds
KRPL	1400	ID MOSCOW	was adult contemporary, now satellite rock oldies
WPAY	1400	OH PORTSMOUTH	was country, now satellite adult standards
WHGB	1400	PA HARRISBURG	was adult standards, now religion "Joy 1400 AM"
KVOP	1400	TX PLAINVIEW	was satellite AC, now satellite country
WKTH	1410	MI GRAND RAPIDS	was Z-Rock heavy metal, now business news (!)
KSKS	1430	OK TULSA	was country, now business news
WKGL	1450	AL HUNTSVILLE	was WFIX, adult standards, now sat. rock oldies
WCON	1450	GA CORNELIA	was country // FM, now easy listening

call KHz state/city

WLKQ 1460 GA BUFORD was soft AC // FM, now rock oldies // FM
WZRC 1480 NY NEW YORK was WJIT, Spanish, now "Z-Rock" SMN heavy metal
WTOY 1480 VA SALEM was WSAY, religion, now black (calls/format from 910)
KTGN/KDFL 1480 WA LAKEWOOD was KLAY, talk, now religion: KTGN is on the
air Monday-Saturday, KDFL is on the air Sundays
WTUP 1490 MS TUPELO was adult contemporary, now news-talk
WLPA 1490 PA LANCASTER was adult contemporary, now CNN Headline news
KMOW 1490 TX AUSTIN was satellite rock oldies, now satellite ad. stds
WIKE 1490 VT NEWPORT was satellite AC, now satellite country
WKAX 1500 AL RUSSELLVILLE was satellite oldies, now southern gospel
KTXO 1500 TX SHERMAN was adult contemporary // FM, now southern gospel
KVOG 1510 AR GREENWOOD was rock oldies, now all news (to Fort Smith)
WQWQ 1520 MI MUSKEGON HEIGHTS was WKJR, religion, now easy listening
KMJK 1550 WA VANCOUVER was KVAN, remains adult contemporary // FM
KPMC 1560 CA BAKERSFIELD news, info, adds CNN Headline news
WSLA 1560 LA SLIDELL sports, adds easy listening days
WOBBS 1570 IN NEW ALBANY religion, talk, drops Talknet (Smith-KY)
KFQC 1580 IA DAVENPORT was KBQC, remains religion under new owner
KPRT 1590 MO KANSAS CITY was jazz, now gospel
WCSL 1590 NC CHERRYVILLE was country, now AC/oldies relaying WGNC-1450
KCRG 1600 IA CEDAR RAPIDS was adult contemporary, talk, now country

PROPOSED STATION SALES (* means check the format listings for more info)

KCSJ-590-CO, WCHT-600-MI, WSUN-620-FL, KHDL-630-WA, WLKE-690-WI, WVNE-760-MA (unbuilt CP), WDEH-800-TN, WOAY-860-WV, WVOZ-870-PR, WPRQ-870-TN, KQEO-920-NM, WKOS-930-NH, WSEV-930-TN, WABX-990-MI (now silent), WANT-990-VA, KRXP-1080-UT (now silent), WENR-1090-TN, KHEI-1110-HI (now silent), WELX-1160-FL (plus synch. xmtr, both are unbuilt CPs), WHUM-1190-PA, WOPA-1200-IL, WILY-1210-IL, KATO-1230-AZ, KRNO-1230-NV, WISP-1230-NC, KVAS-1230-OR, WBVP-1230-PA, WEBQ-1240-IL, WXGL-1240-ME, WKZT-1270-KY, WKMT-1270-MI, KTRT-1270-OK, WDGS-1290-IN, KVOR-1300-CO, WGH-1310-VA, KOLT-1320-NE, WELW-1330-OH, WCBX-1350-NY, WKYO-1360-MI, WMGO-1370-MS, WFNW-1380-CT* (now silent), WYSH-1380-TN, KKCB-1400-CA, WIRA-1400-FL, WBTB-1400-NC, WJZM-1400-TN, KIXT-1420-AR, WCOX-1450-AL, KWBE-1450-NE, WLOE-1490-NC, KLLB-1510-UT*, WDEY-1530-MI, WNJO-1550-NJ (unbuilt CP), KAKS-1550-TX, KVRA-1570-SD, KDAY-1580-CA, KBQC-1580-IA*

STATION SALES THAT FAILED: KHEI-1110-HI (a previous sale)

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES: The FCC has unleashed the first of its proposals for widespread modification of the AM band. Briefly, it looks like the new proposals will include:

1) Initially limited applications for the new 1605-1700 section of the AM band to existing stations "causing the most interference," with other stations and new applicants being considered only after the first wave of stations (however it's defined) has had a chance to move.

2) Allow stations to negotiate private agreements to reduce interference (by changing patterns, having one or both stns lower power, one station buying another out and signing it off ala WGLI-1290, etc.) and proposing tax incentives to encourage these sorts of agreements.

3) Allow multiple ownership of AM stations in the same market area under limited circumstances.

4) Reimposition of a partial or total ban on FM simulcasting.

5) "Revision of AM technical standards" (no details offered yet).

As part of its overhaul, the FCC also has proceeded with some technical changes already, in areas such as the methods of calculation of skywave and groundwave signals. The overall thrust of the changes seems to be to reduce co-channel interference, by signing stations off in some cases (like the marketplace isn't doing this already!); and to give relief to larger stations, in larger cities, at the expense of small town broadcasters. Ironically, small towns are where AM listening is healthiest now - is it worth killing the vitality AM still has for a dubious chance at restoring AM's ability to compete with FM in the big cities?

The onslaught of AM facility applications this time comes as stations rushed to get their apps in under the wire of the FCC's freeze on AM applications, which took effect in April. Several of the applications are in apparent anticipation of major changes when the FCC releases its plans in coming months for redesign of the AM band. Most notably, WMCA-

570 and WADO-1280 New York have applied for 50,000 w signals and a waiver of the normal 5,000 w limit on regional channel stations, stating the higher power is necessary for competitive reasons; and WLIB-1190 New York has applied for new night operation on 1200 KHz, a split channel operation similar to the one recently granted to WNZK 690/680 in suburban Detroit. The WMCA/WADO applications are more likely a means of public pressure for the FCC to consider dramatically modifying or eliminating lower power limitations on regional and graveyard channels; the FCC is simply not likely to agree to make technical exceptions based on marketplace necessity, as everyone & their synchronous will promptly be in line for their "essential" waiver. The WLIB application also has complication; WNZK's split operation won a grant by arguing that theirs was a unique situation, and that no other AM in the country could possibly benefit from a similar shift. Of course, many stations, especially on clear channels, could benefit - it will be interesting to see how the FCC handles this sticky mess. Also in the pile of apps, KBRW-680-AK becomes the latest AM to try applying for FM translators.

More innovation: KAPS-1470 has finally won out in its lengthy appeals for a 660 KHz move originally granted in 1982. Focus of the appeals (by a competing new station app. in Portland OR) was the dependence of KAPS on an experimental type of antenna array, PARAN, which consists of a set of four short towers arranged in a box. PARAN is widely used among European AMs and U.S. military stations, and has since been adapted for the synchronous relays of KIPA-620 in Hawaii. Should use at KAPS leads to general type acceptance by the FCC, it could be a boon to stations with land problems prohibiting tall or widely spaced towers. The cost of land for transmitter sites in populated areas is a major barrier to new stations or signal improvements for existing AMs, and is one of the hidden factors that's depressed the value of AM station in the industry.

Another barrier: public ignorance. Someone sent along a clipping from the Spokane Spokesman-Review detailing the public outcry over KHDL-630's proposed move to 840 and objections to KGA-1510's 50 kw towers by residents of the subdivisions built underneath them (!) in recent years. The KGA complaints include an elementary school a mile away that says its students' health is threatened by the radiation, and residents that claim they get electric shocks from the air. Basic physics, anyone?

Return of bad boys of yesteryear: Fred Weinburg got what was then KELI-1430 (now KSKS) Tulsa into tremendous trouble about ten years ago for directly challenging Arbitron's radio ratings systems by directly offering to buy the diaries of listeners. He got driven from radio for his trouble. Now he's back as the proud new owner of KTRT-1270-OK. And Alan Weiner, whose insistence in the mid-80's on operating a Yonkers NY-based 1620 KHz pirate as a "legal" relay of his WREM-710 Monticello ME cost him WREM's license, has applied for a new SW stn in Northern Maine.

Other FCC stufh: WEEI-590-MA, KCBF-820-AK and KXGN-1400-MT got waivers of the FCC's one-to-a-market rules so they could be sold to companies also owning local television stations. And the proposed sale of KOLT-1320 Scottsbluff NE requests a one-to-a-market waiver to allow purchase by Tracy Corp., which already owns an AM (KOAQ-690) and two FMs in Scottsbluff and Terrytown NE (three miles away). KOLT is bankrupt, and Tracy claims that the station's trustee has tried unsuccessfully to sell KOLT to over twenty companies and will dismantle the station for parts unless it is sold to Tracy Corp. Times are rough in the farm belt, but one company owning the only FOUR for-profit stations in one market!?!? (KNEB-960 and its FM are owned by a non-profit farmers' group.)

Other format stufh: Drake-Chenault is adding two new full time, satellite delivered formats. Its oldies format, based on the famous Drake Top 40 formats of the 60's, starts up Sept. 15; an easy listening format begins distribution August 1.

Much of the station data for this column comes from weekly issues of The M Street Journal and assorted DX Monitor columns. Other contributors this issue: Tony Fitzherbert (Fairfield CT); Tim Hall (Chula Vista CA); Gene Smith (Louisville KY).



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OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

- 970 KESI OR, Portland 5/10 heard EZL music at 2155 tune-in, 2159:45
brief weather forecast, then ID at 2200 "This is KESI,
Portland's place for today's easy listening favorites.
Easy 970." Ex-KYTE. (BH&NH-WA)
1060 KKVV NV, Las Vegas 5/7 0902 good at first but subject to deep
fades. "Through the Bible" program at this time suggests
SRN feed. Oddly, not a trace of them at SSS same day.
Thanks Robert Wien for tip. New, NV #22. (TRH-CA)
?KKVV?+5/7 0945 tent. good over KPAY-KBGN with fiery preacher, but
no ID. Looped SE. Heavy KOFY-1050 splash. Now on air.
(RW-CA)
1150 KFRR CO, Englewood 5/7 0712 good on top of freq. with English &
Spanish ID as "Radio Puebla," faded under KEZX, ID'd as
"Denver" though city of license listed as Englewood. Is
this legal? Ex-KWBZ/KRZN/KJIM. (RW) (Bill says only the
top-of-the-hour ID must give the city of license first.
--NH)
1380 KIPO HI, Pearl City 5/1 0530 noted on first day of operation
with local program "Focus on Guitar" //FM. Article in
4/30 HONOLULU STAR-BULLETIN said it signed on today, but I
never even heard it testing! IDs as "KIPO 1380 AM and
89.3 FM." Format is news & various types of music, from
classical to jazz, via NPR and APR. Article mentioned KIPO
was using the two towers of its predecessor, KLNI. (5P-HI)
+Now on the air, 24 hour NSP, // KIPO-FM with National
Public Radio, informational programming during the day,
jazz 0000-1200 Eastern. 5kw directional northeast-south-
west, with application for 10kw pending move of nearby FCC
monitoring station. Address: 738 Kaheka St., Honolulu,
96814, Seth Markow, Operations Manager. (DL-HI)
1460 KZXR CA, Salinas I've been told this station will s/off some-
time on 5/31, for an indefinite period of time. Their
towers are at Sunset State Beach and CA Dept. of Parks

KZXR wants towers down. KZXR doesn't have a new site chosen, and will wait till KCTY-980 moves towers to a new location in order to possibly diplex from their towers. (JH-CA)

1590 KICK NV, Reno 4/23 0205 logged way over KOGO tonight. Simul-casting FM 104.5, legal ID at 0302 said "K-I-C-K Reno." Call change, ex-KIIQ/KHIT??? (MS-CA)

530 CA, Oakland Coliseum loud & clear under Candlestick carrier, mixing with San Jose airport, depending on where you are. Heard 4/24 0130 on czt radio driving around San Francisco. (PT-CA)

540 KPUP CA, Carmel Valley this local is now live only Mon.-Fri. 0900-1200, rest of time is SMN country with SNN news on the hour. (JH-CA)

590 "KRPG" CA, Pacific Grove these call letters now being used on this little high school station. Sked is usually 1000-1500 Mon.-Fri. (JH-CA)

610 KVNU UT, Logan 4/22 0400 poor-fair in tight KFRC null, with Talknet, legal ID and into NBC news. New. (JH-CA)

620 KIPA HI, Hilo noted since late April carrying new weekday NBC Radio network show "First Light" with host Dirk Van, similar to "America in the Morning" on sister network MBS, with news, weather, sports, interviews & teletalk. Runs 1000-1400 here. (5P-HI) (Bill noted this show on KSEI-930-ID Monday 3/19 0506-0600, but next day they had Talknet. --NH)

700 WLW OH, Cincinnati 5/6 0044-0010 fantastic signal, alone at times on East Beverage. Legal ID boomed in with no trace of usual pest KFAM. (TRH-CA2)

730 KULE WA, Ephrata MM 4/30 0400 faded up under CKLG with garbled slogan & nice clear call letter ID caught on tape. Listed as only 20w night authorization. Had no idea these guys were on at night; no ads heard, so possibly just testing? New, WA #25. (TRH-CA) (Bill says KULE is on evenings, not necessarily 24 hours though.--NH)

740 KBRT CA, Avalon 5/5 0830 good over KCBS with "Island Issues" public service program. Shouldn't have been on this early. (TRH-CA)

790 KKON HI, Kealahou per P.D., resumed 24-hour operation 4/23. They simulcast sister KOAS-FM 92.1 0000-0600 daily, different hour on weekends. (5P-HI)

810 (KGO) CA, San Francisco 5/6 0426 noted off. TTs & OC later. HJCY dominant in their absence with Bahamas and an extreme southern Mexican (XEIN) noted later. (TRH-CA2)
+5/6 0840-0900 totally off. (RW-CA)

850 KHLO HI, Hilo 4/23 0916 strong, slone with C&W, ID "85 Country, KHLO." Did they up their power? (RW-CA)

880 ?KRVN? NE, Lexington 5/10 0330 probably the one here with country music and Interstate Truckers net. Strong. Never waited for ID. Unneeded, but not heard in a long time. Local KKMC still has 0300 s/off. (JH-CA)

KIXI WA, Mercer Island 5/10 0340 fair in KRVN null, but weak & fading signal. MYL-type music, ID "AM 88 KIXI" clearly heard. New here. (JH-CA)

910 KECR CA, El Cajon 4/24 1150 logged over Spanish station (KOXR). Christian program, I.N.S. news, then ID at 1200. Ex-KMJC-KDEO. (MS-CA)

KOXR CA, Oxnard 5/8 0700 noted with "KOXR Oxnard-San Luis Obispo-Ventura" ID, into Spanish music. Way over KNEW. (DL-HI1)

950 KNFT NM, Bayard 5/1 0800 very good at s/on. Apparently no longer NSP. Have been trying for KDCE for over a month in XEKAM's absence--are they on? (TRH-CA)

KMER WY, Kemmerer 5/1 0800 also good with s/on mentioning 5kw and a 500w PSA. (TRH-CA)

960 CFAC AB, Calgary 4/28 0030 loud with C&W music and many "96-CFAC" IDs. New. No sign of KABL. (JH-CA)
+5/7 0345 excellent, loud in KABL null with "96, CFAC" ID. (RW-CA)

970 KBBK ID, Rupert 5/4 0800 s/on ment. 2kw, Mutual network affiliation, and used the slogan "All your favorite country." (TRH-CA)

- 980 KINS CA, Eureka 4/23 0707 cut through KFVB with promos for local talk show, "Nightwatch." (DL-HI1)
- KUPI ID, Ammon 5/10 0350 fair-good in KFVB null. Perry Como song & "Q-P 98 Gold" slogan. Also thought I heard mention of "stereo." Last heard in 1986. (JH-CA)
- 1020 KYXE WA, Selah 4/30 0400 very good in KTNQ null with new Spanish format, ID on hour. (RW-CA)
- 1140 CISS AB, Calgary 5/7 0735 blasting KRAK with PSA, ID as "1140, Kiss AM," CFAC-960 loud at the time as well. (RW-CA)
- 1150 KSEN MT, Shelby 5/7 0745 suddenly appearing (day pattern to switch in May is 0745) with C&W, ID "37⁰, it's 5:45 at KSEN," after Johnny Holiday sports from ABC-I network. Rare here. Faded by 0755. (RW-CA)
- 1220 KBET CA, Santa Clarita 4/23 0550 finally logged over KDFC(?) with pop-rock music and PSA on suicide prevention. Have they recently enhanced their signal? (MS-CA)
- 1240 KNRV CA, Monterey 5/6 0150 fair through local KSON on back end of ESE wire with ID into possible CNN sports. (TRH-CA2)
- KSON CA, San Diego 4/30 0428 good on top of freq. with ID "Reba McIntyre, on 1240, KSON," lost to KFLY. (RW-CA)
- 1260 KGIL CA, San Fernando 4/30 0435 loud in KOIT null with traffic report, ID "1260, KGIL," sounded like they were testing with day pattern? (RW-CA)
- 1280 (KTOL) WA, Lacey 5/6 2050+, also 2359, noted completely silent while in nearby Olympia. This confirms a report from Phil Bytheway (via Seattle Mariners network) that KTOL went dark in April. (BH&NH-WA1) (This should have been in Special Interest. 100 lashes with the Stiff Penguin Flipper to me!--NH)
- 1340 ?KVVIV? TX, El Paso 5/6 0102 presumed them on E wire with ad for a business in Ciudad Juarez. (TRH-CA2)
- 1470 KXOA CA, Sacramento 4/23 0826 good, alone, noted with new ID "Golden oldies, Cruisin' 1470." Thought they had changed calls, hi! (RW-CA)
- KNTS TX, Abilene 5/6 0358 noted with Talknet & legal ID. (TRH-CA2)
- 1610 KNEC996 CA, Los Angeles 4/27 2230 20-second loop message--police siren!-- "This is a test message, KNEC 996, the Harbor Freeway Project Public Information Station located at Washington Blvd. at the Harbor Freeway. This is a test message, KNEC996." (MS-CA)

DX TESTS

- 850 (WHDH) MA, Boston 4/29 0100 DX test tried for but not heard, due to KOA, XEUS, KMDY. (MS-CA)
+4/29 0100-0130 tried, not heard under KOA. (RW-CA)

Help with an unID

- 690 CK-CO's unID with "Y-96" is probably KHEY in El Paso who IDs this way. They are C&W to boot, so... (SA-MB)
- 1420 CK-CO's unID could be KULY in Kansas, they are // to 106.7 KSXX. (SA-MB)

UNIDS

- 690 MM 4/30 0310 weak TTs looping NE under CBU during XETRA SP. No ID heard. (TRH-CA)
- 800 5/6 0850 unID OC strong looping N-S, killed when KGO-810 turned on OC at 0855. Does XEMMM leave their OC on all night? (RW-CA)
- 1090 5/7 0341 unID TT in XEPRS null o/u KBOZ, susp. KING. (RW-CA)
- 1370 5/6 0559 ad for NBC Scores Plus, then straight into Mutual news with no legal ID. KXTL unlikely due to Beverage direction and the fact that they aren't in the habit of missing IDs! (TRH-CA2)
- 1450 4/23 0758 distinctive SSB fading up briefly over KONE, then gone under KONE with KEST nulled. Also note early s/on time. Looped NE. Ideas? (RW-CA)
- 1480 5/4 0559 CDT TC into SNN news. Soon faded. (TRH-CA)

The summer schedule is here so be sure to check the list of deadlines at the beginning of the column. Due to the Fourth of July holiday and vacation there are some "odd" deadline days. ♡



Central DX Roundup

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FOR THE RECORD

Report in Eastern time.

Deadlines: 6/2, 6/30, 7/19.

RIDING GAIN

- [SA-MB] = Shawn Axelrod, 30 Becontree Bay, Winnipeg, MB R2N 2X9
ICOM IC-R70, 3' box loop, 140' longwire, Mini TUN-3.
- [TMJ-IL] = Tom Jasinski, 419 North Raven, Shorewood, IL 60435
FRG-7 (on batteries), 1375' longwire at 90 degrees in
a field just north of address.
- [JcJ-MT] = Your editor using an Icom IC-R71A with Radio West Loop.

DX TESTS

- 850 WHDH MA Boston, 4/29 fair to poor w/KOA. 0105-0130 (weak audio)
Code IDs, wierd sounding tone plus 1kHz tone. [TMJ-IL]

DOWN THE DIAL

- 1370 KAWL NE York, 4/16 fair. 0700 with "Good morning you're
listening to KAWL AM 13-70 York, NE." into Mutual News.
No sign on info, no SSB. New for me, NE#31. [SA-MB]
- 1400 KODI WY Cody, 4/23 fair. 0700 w/SSB, "KODI" IDs into local
news. This is a change in MM SP, no longer 0800 sign
on. [SA-MB]
- 1420 KULY KS Ulysses, 4/16 fair. 0709 w/spot cluster for shops in
"downtown Ulysses." New for me, KS#23. [SA-MB]
- 1440 KPUR TX Amarillo, 4/17 poor. 0658 w/Mexican music. ID in SS and
EE "KPUR Amarillo, Texas." [SA-MB]
- 1450 KBBS WY Buffalo, 4/27 briefly good in KUUB null. KRBN not on
yet. 0600 w/ABC News. 0605 w/"KBBS" ID into complete
weather forecast. Not needed, very rare here even if
it's within 200 miles! [JcJ-MT]
- KRBN MT Red Lodge, 5/10 weak. 0820 sign on. [JcJ-MT]
- KVSI ID Montpelier, 5/10 briefly good w/KBBS, KVOW. 0805 out of
AI News with ID "KVSI radio 14-50 on your radio dial,
Montpelier." into weather, spot. Much needed here!
ID#36. [JcJ-MT]
- 1490 KUGR WY Green River, 4/27 spurts of weak signal mixed w/KHDC.
CJSN nulled. Local KFBN still silent. 0650 w/spot, ID.
0659 ID "KUGR Green River, Rock Springs" into spot and
then Mutual News at 0700. Much needed for a f/up here.
Nice having 1490 clear for awhile. [JcJ-MT]
- 1510 KANS KS Larned, 4/14 good. 0707 w/weather, ID "Super Q, KQDF
FM 96.7 and AM 15-10, KANS." [SA-MB]
- 1550 KZQQ UT West Valley City, 4/15 strong. 0654 w/different styles
of Mexican music. No spots heard. ID "Radio Fabulosa."
No local ID on the hour, but at 0730. [SA-MB]

UNIDS

- 1230 unID 4/22 fair. 0637 w/"AM Stereo 12-30 KFSN" into weather
and then oldies. ?? any ideas. [SA-MB]
- 1450 unID 4/12 fair. 0650 w/C&W music, spot "Radio Gets Results,
and so does KVOB. Call us today for information on
radio advertising." SNN news. [SA-MB]

IDING THE UNIDS


[SA-MB]'s unID "KVOB" -- could you've heard "KVOW"? John.

25 YEARS AGO

May 19, 1965 issue of DX Monitor...Mike Reynolds discussed KOMA-1520's FCC fine for running 100,000 watts...Larry Schwartz told us of KFMB's move to 760 took place 5/11/65 at 0810 (PDT)...Bill Hardy Jr. was saddened by the news of Edward R. Murrow's death.



OPEN MIKE

 Make money your god, and it will plague you like the devil. Just because we're monthly now doesn't mean the season's over! 73, John



Western DX Forum

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This is my first forum of the '90s - quite a bit of new DX happening here lately, especially new stations and call letter changes. I've noticed lately a trend away from business and newstalk style formats back to music (i.e. KRSO, KORQ, etc.), maybe it'll catch on. For anyone who collects books related to radio or food (my two favorite subjects), KMA is offering a heartland style family album written by Evelyn Birkby, containing recipies, photos, etc. "Cooking with KMA" is available for \$5 including postage from KMA, Box 960, Shenandoah, IA 51601. Lately I've developed an affinity for the classic 3-letter calls and was happy to log and verify WKY after all these years. Some other recent veries include KHPY, KTIM, KANN and WAGL (not a moment too soon). I wanted to say that DXM is looking real good these days. Recent forum from Gene Martin and roundups from Tim Hall as well as DX'pedition articles were impressive and made great reading. I'm hoping to meet more of the members this year and will try to make it to a GTG and/or convention. 'Til then, 73.

RICH TOEBE, 131 BUTTERCUP CIR., VACAVILLE, CA 95687

I've moved only 45 miles as the crow flies (if he flies straight north, hi), yet the difference in reception is remarkable. Ignoring the fact it's much quieter electrically, I can null out lots of Bay Area pests like KLOK 1170, KEST 1450, etc. and hear good catches again like CKGY 1170, CJCA 930 and others mentioned in WDXR. You want better reception? Disconnect cable TV. For some reason it makes TVI much worse. If TV is on, hooked to cable, TVI is much worse. If TV is off, it's not there. If TV is on but not connected to cable, it's OK also. Tim Hall asked if Dean Edell is part of ABC Talkradio, well, he's carried on Talkradio affiliates, but he's syndicated by EFM Media which also handles Rush Limbaugh. KGO ran Limbaugh for a week in place of Edell when he went on vacation; it also explains why both tend to be on the same affiliate like KFBK, KGO, KFI, etc. Wall St. Journal ran a story "FCC Approves Plan to Tune Up Ailing AM Band." Among the steps proposed: encouraging 25-30 existing stations "that are causing the most static to move into the expanded band." Does this mean the return of Super Clears as we once knew them? The FCC also plans to modify the way it calculates groundwave and skywave field strength. And Canada and Mexico have officially approved the use of 1605 to 1705 kHz. I liked the Sacto Bee's comment about KXOA's switch from BRN to oldies; KXOA says that people who listen to that kind of music are "comfortable listening to AM radio." So the Bee retorted, "can we presume that those who 'demographically fit that era' are also comfortable watching TV on a 12-inch black and white screen?" No wonder AM stations are sinking. They do it to themselves. Incidentally, the Bee has the best coverage of local radio I've ever seen in a paper. (That among many other reasons is why the Bee is rated third best in the state behind LA Time, Mercury-News-Rth.) The financial section did a long story on KXOA's ending BRN; the sports section did a long story on KFBK's sports talk and they have a regular radio column. 73.

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Jaisun's Journal - Part II

There have been a few changes in the Medford/Ashland, OR market in the last few weeks. To begin with, long-time AM stalwart KYJC 610 has gone dark. Evidently declared bankruptcy around mid-March and turned off the XR. KBOY 730 has finally succumbed to a variety of difficulties and given up both their rock format and their calls. Now KRVC, ID'ing as "v-73" with a Christian rock format. I dunno. . . still sounds like heavy metal to me, hi. (I thought they went to that format some time ago-Rth) The old 1230 outlet has reappeared as KSJK, going on the air 02 April '90. Now this is my kind of station. It's part of the public radio system of Southern Oregon State College, who's had KSOR-FM for years. KSJK

is licensed to Talent, OR, midway between Ashland and Medford, and carries wall-to-wall news. But not the CNN type, thank you very much. Most of the time it's NPR feeds. I, for one, didn't know that NPR has full time feeds. All we ever get around here is All Things Considered and the Morning News. When KSJK isn't running NPR, they feed Monitor News from the Christian Science Monitor. They ID as "Jefferson Public Radio." From what I've been able to piece together so far, a lot of their gear and maybe the frequency itself, was donated by KDOV 1300. I'm trying to track this down, but I've heard it from several sources. For reports, send to KSJK, 1250 Siskiyou Blvd., Ashland, OR 97520. Station manager is Ron Kramer, but I don't know who signs the veries. (Jaisun's Journal exciting finale is next issue of DXM-RtH.)

SHAWN AXELROD, 30 BEACONTREE BAY, WINNIPEG, MB R2N 2X9

(Cont. from last issue-RtH.) As for expanding into what I would call the SW band, here I run into a little trouble. I fully understand that in many parts of the world, Central and South America and Africa in particular the area from 2 to about 5 MHz is a broadcast band similar to our AM and FM bands. If we are to go into this area of what is commonly referred to Tropical Band DX'ing I feel IRCA would definitely be going into a new area of DX. Not that this is a bad thing just as it would change the magazine into something that it has not been before. Also some of the members may not have the equipment to cover this area of the DX spectrum and might feel left out or may not be able to afford a new radio to cover the SW spectrum. I've been fortunate enough to own an ICOM R-70 that covers all the bands from 10 kHz to 30 MHz so it's not a problem for me, but others are not so fortunate. This area of DX'ing could gather us new members because there are a lot of people who DX the Tropical bands and might wish to get another source of information. One major obstacle to IRCA covering this area of DX would be an editor. I'm sure that finding an editor or two for FM (by the way would it be necessary to get new editors for an FM East and West and dare I say it Central column not to mention an editor that is fully qualified to do the Tropical band, no easy task, not to mention an editor for call changes, etc) (As long as boundaries are clearly established between West and Central, shouldn't be a problem - and may have gone over a lot of heads, hi-RtH.) I know of one club that has been having a bit of a problem in this area. Just having someone volunteer to type up loggings as they come in to him/her isn't a great idea. The editor would have to have a good solid background in the area so the loggings could be done in a professional manner. There's no use, at least in my mind, to have a column if it's not of a top-notch caliber as are all of our present columns. I want to make it clear that at this time I'm not for or against such a column. I just feel we should tread carefully into this new area and not make a fool of ourselves by rushing into anything. With all of this said I would like to say that I feel if the powers that be of this club which we elected do want to change the frequencies IRCA covers it should be put to a vote or a series of votes, on each section: LW, FM and Tropical. (I believe this requires a two-thirds vote of the membership - RtH.) This way everyone could have a say in what goes on piece by piece. I fully realize that there will be people who will be put out but that's the way democracy works. You cannot please all of the people all of the time to misquote a famous American. Take care and I hope this can be settled in a democratic and "bloodless" fashion. I want to see IRCA improve and grow and not fall apart into factions at war. The club is too good for that to happen. 73 de Shawn.

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Hello from San Fernando where I now work doing 2100 to 0500 Monday to Friday. Fair for reception on AM. Called a new AM a few days ago in late April - KHPY. Talked with announcer Ted Lane who says they're 10 kw days directional N-S from towers on San Timoteo Canyon Rd., Redlands and has studios at an office building on Sunnymead Blvd., Moreno Valley. Their number is (714) 247-KHPY. The owner/GM is D.L. Van Vorhis. I tried to see if I could get anything on the Superadio but nothing with lots of 1540 slop. I asked Ted about 1550 Apple Valley and he didn't know much except XR in Oak Hills area of Apple Valley. Is call still KOZR using 800 watts? Spoke with Jim Hilliker on the phone recently. We talked about radio in general plus he told me on XR sites in his area, including 1460 KZXR going off the air in late May due to XR relocation.

Am now listening to a tape Gary Parton sent me of KBAY FM. Nice to hear EZL from a different market. Almost forgot, Ted at KHPY says maybe more stations going on the air in the high desert, possibly Yucca Valley. Does anyone know if KIST Santa Barbara still has antenna atop their building 735 State St.? (So that's who I saw 18 months ago. Obviously, from my comment, answer is yes-RTH.) At times I hear oldies on 1340, pretty faint. I thought they may have shared a tower near the beach area near Hwy. 101. Better go - 73 everyone.

JOHN C. JOHNSON, 979 NEPTUNE BLVD., BILLINGS, MT 59105-2129

Recent veries include one from KTHO 590 for their 12 March DX Test. The letter was quite interesting as it was addressed to 7 people! Apparently only 7 of us heard this Test. Ric, I didn't see your name on the list? (As you know, I work MM, and why chase after a semi-local?-RTH.) Also received a verie from KZMQ 1140 for WY #34. And finally one from KLLB 1510. The letterhead says "Salt Lake's All Motivation Station." KLLB is a member of the Winners News Network (WNN). The recent FCC action on the AM freeze and proposed improvements on the AM band will be interesting to follow. I'm sure we'll all find some new DX out of this. 73 de John.

RICK DAU, RR2 BOX 64, OAKLAND, IA 51560

Hello again from America's Heartland. First of all, I don't want it to sound like I'm beating a dead horse (the horse is probably a-hurtin' by now!), but I feel compelled to comment on Rob Harrington's forum in the 24 March issue. Having a Central DX column in DXM is a good idea. You eliminate CDXR and that leave two DXR columns, Eastern and Western and then DXM starts looking a whole lot like DX News. Some DX'ers will say, "Gee, why have 2 publications that essentially look the same?" As Paul Swearingen remarked in an issue of DXN last year, "Competition is useful," and I agree. The original idea behind IRCA was to provide competition to the NRC, right? (Partially. Democratically run club was the main idea-RTH.) If one bulletin starts resembling the other, you lose that competitive spirit altogether. Secondly, I like the job John Johnson does with CDXR, and while John, a resident of MT, may seem like he's outside of the borders of a centrally located column, the By-Laws go by longitude boundaries, not by time zones. CDXR represents those DX'ers living between 85 and 110 degrees, so John does fit in following those guidelines. (Except that was changed several months ago to time zones-RTH.) Really, the situation was no different than when Rob Kramer and Bob Lazar were editing the column. Anyway, that's my two cents worth on that issue. Ric, it was great chatting with you over the phone on 28 March. Sorry the conversation went so long. That's just the way I am on the phone, though - get me started on one DX subject and I'll yak about that subject for 10 minutes, hi. Tim Hall, congratulations on your superb loggings from out east during this DX season. You should consider yourself fortunate you were able to log WINV, WHEZ, WCNW, and the WAGL Test before KPMC went AN. WINV and WTOP were logged as new catches here in March and April, respectively. In response to Gary Siegel's listings, here are my "Big 10": 1) TX 82/2; 2) MO 67/3; 3) IA 65/4, 4) MN 61/5; 5) IL 51/6; 6) WI 42; 7) KS 39/8; NE 37/9; 9) OK 31; and 10) LA 30. By the way, I don't count call changes or frequency changes. I've already made plans to attend this year's IRCA Convention in Knoxville and I hope to see many of you there. 73 de RWD.

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Greetings. John, KTHO is about 20db o/S/9 daytime here. I can be at their XR site on Pioneer Trail is about 2 hours. Why bother? Unfortunately, I work GY Sunday through Thursday, so I miss all the MM action. With all the noise makers at work, I'm lucky to hear Ray on KGO, hi. I did, however, make the effort to change my days off to give me MM; no luck. Rick, actually you called right as dinner was coming out of the oven and I wanted to get off the phone for an entirely selfish reason: my stomach, hi. Still haven't heard anything from 650 Rancho. KGO still sounds the same, so guess their recent SPs indicate they're working on rebuilding earthquake damaged XR site. Will keep close tabs on this one. Who is C&W on 1270? I know Sparks is rock oldies, KWTR nostalgia, and Tulare last I knew had gone news. KTFI a possibility, but last I heard 'em they weren't country. And finally, if your forum runs onto a second page for a few lines, please don't mail a tiny piece of paper, send the

EASTERN DX FORUM

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Reports from members living east of the Mississippi River
Deadlines: 6/2, 6/30, 7/28 ...

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I was sorry to learn that IRCA is not going to have its own convention this year. I was also sorry to see some of the comments critical of IRCA members in recent issues. I think Bruce Portzer deserves a lot of credit for all of the work he put into the club. (Agreed--rce) There are fewer active members because there are fewer people DXing mediumwave, and the number will probably get smaller in the future. That's the way it is, folks! The medium-wave season ended for me in mid-February, when I was in Asia for two weeks doing several stories for the trade magazine I work for called Aviation Equipment Maintenance. I spent six days in Singapore covering an aviation trade show, and three days in Hong Kong where I did a story on a major aircraft maintenance base there. I also took a side trip into Guangzhou, China, to do a story on a new joint venture between the Chinese aviation authorities and a division of Lockheed to build a modern maintenance base there. Overall, it was an exciting and educational trip. I didn't have much time for DXing, but I did do some shortwave listening from Singapore. I haven't done much BCB lately, but I have heard a number of interesting shortwave signals due to the high sunspot count. In local news, WCFL is back, sort of. The FM station on 104.7 in Morris, Illinois, played "Louie, Louie" all weekend 4/14 and 4/15, then kicked off a new oldies format with the old Super CFL jingles. Too bad they only play the songs that you hear on all the other oldies stations! 73.

Gary Siegel, 2728 - 106th Street, Toledo, Ohio 43611

Hello to all. I'm making plans already to attend the IRCA convention in Knoxville, Tenn. over the Columbus Day weekend. It should be a good time, hope many in the Midwest can make it to Dixie. I haven't been to Knoxville since the 1982 World's Fair at which time I was stunned by the vast changes/improvements in that city. Seeing it 8 years later should present another eye-opener. How many DXers took advantage of the auroral opening on the dial from 4/10-4/14? It netted me at least 5 new stations which were WDAE-1250 Tampa with MYL format doing battle with WTMA and others at 0400 on 4/11. WDAE was my most wanted on 1250, so was a pleasure to finally hear it. Another Charleston, SC was in loud on 1390 in the form of oldies outlet WCSE--note new call here...the Charleston's were unnn. here. On 4/12 at 0600 WADX-1420 in Trenton, GA was in on sign/on mentioning also serving nearby Chattanooga then into C&W, later that same AM at 0620 with many local church announcements was WXLL-1310 in Decatur, GA, nice to catch this 500w'er. A new Cuban was also heard that same AM on 1080. In fact Fidel's pests were so prevalent on 4/12 that in a stretch of freqs. from 900-980 a Cubano was heard on every channel except 970! Also heard SS on 1260 on 4/12 which I believe was either Miami or Venezuela both of which would be unnn., however if was say the Dom. Rep. well that would have been a nice 'HIT' hi! Did anyone else hear the SS on 1260 that AM? Most recent new one came at 0558 on 4/16 on 1340 of all places. Heard some Dixie w/ sign/on over WEXL which proved to be WALH in Mountain City, GA!! I was naturally pleased by this one, hi! On 4/13 I had a chance to head out to Oak Openings Metropark in SW Lucas County, Ohio out near Toledo Exp. Airport close to where Frank Merrill used to live when he was a 'TOAD' hi--which is located some 25 miles or so SW of my QTH. Jeannette's sister/brother-in-law live out that way in nearby Whitehouse, OH which gave me a chance to examine some CX that differ radically from what I see in Point Place--NE Toledo. The soil in the Metropark is more sandy based and has an attenuating quality especially on some of the Detroiters which are pulled down to levels which could allow DX thru. WWJ-950, WCXI-1130 and WLQV-1500 were most humbled. I feel that at the right time I could expect to catch WCTM in Eaton, OH on 1130 in the daytime plus cash in other daytimers out

there. It just so happened that because 4/13 was so auroral that no skywave was prevalent toward SSS when I checked so the experiment will wait for another day. Was this Murphy's Law at work? I did notice some SS on 1440 in the early AM of 4/14 while at Jeannette's sister's house. Not sure what it was--maybe Mexico City? Any ideas? I plan to do more experimenting at the Oak Openings site and hope to see some mighty interesting results. Some of the improved signal levels came out of WERT-1220 OH & WAWK-1140 IN which are extremely hard to hear at my QTH. 25 miles and differing soils do make a difference! I'm hoping to catch another nearest unheard on 1140 in the form of WKMM MI out there. I'm outta space, hope to see all in Knoxville. Nice to have had Frank Merrill here on 3/29 for a visit. 73s.

Bill Townshend, 4500 Connecticut Ave NW, #901, Washington, DC 20008 202-966-8046. Well, it's time for another annual re-intro. I'm 59 (by the time this hits print), happily single, and live the the top floor of a nine-story mid-rise in the Chevy Chase section of upper NW DC, 5.7 miles NW of the US Capitol and work as a computer programmer for the National Weather Service (don't blame me for the crummy Wx, hi) on the third floor of an eight story pile of concrete and steel in Marlow Heights, MD outside DC proper and next door to the studios of oldies station WXTR-FM-104.1, 7 miles SE of the Capitol. My girlfriend who worked for the Small Business Administration (SBA) for many years now works for the FCC. She changed jobs because her old outfit moved beyond her commuting distance (she usually walks to and from work). She could be right on top of call letter changes, frequency changes, applications, etc. Maybe she will help to clear up the WKJY snafu. I may be in Pittsburgh for the NRC convention during the Labor Day weekend as part of a week-long trip through the Northeast (PA-NY area) and may extend it another week and to as far south as eastern NC, ending up with ANARCON-90 at Virginia Beach. I've been holding down the fort by myself for the last 20 months since my 87-year-young stepmother went to the nursing home. She is in a home much closer to my pad than the old one in Falls Church, VA. This home is only seven blocks away. Now that the warm wx is apparently here to stay, I'll be pavement-pounding this month while it is pleasant for such activity before it gets too hot for such activity and is just right for "bikini-chasing" at poolside. Time for s/off. 73 and good DX.

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Hi, everybody! Our club will be holding its bi-annual elections soon (early 1991--rce), and there are a lot of things to consider. Along with the election of club officials, you will be voting on the future of the club. There will be three ideas for expansion for you to choose. IRCA can stay the way it is, by covering 510-1630 kHz, or can expand to 1710 kHz, 5200 kHz, or 150 to 2000 kHz. I would like to see it expand to just 1710 kHz to cover the expansion of the band. I really see no purpose in covering the tropical bands and long wave, but it's up to you! Please vote! You will also be electing a President, Secretary-Treasurer, and seven Board members. If you would like to become any one of these officers, please write to me now with your nominations! (?--rce) Also available are volunteer positions of classifieds editor, elections chairman (you get to count the votes), and Goodie Factory proprietor. Although I have gotten some volunteers for some of these positions, they are still open until the Board votes on them. Please drop me a line if you would like to help. We sure could use you! As for the convention, mark your calendars for Oct. 5,6,7,8 in Knoxville, TN. Please let me know if you are interested and if you have any suggestions for activities, donations for the annual auction and whatever. This will mark the beginning of a new era in our club, and it should be very exciting. The band expansion is becoming reality. The FCC has put a freeze on new AM applications and is deciding what shall be done with the new 100 kHz of spectrum. It looks like existing stations will move up to this band, primarily, to ease the burden on the crowds in the band we know. One thing for certain: things will change drastically. The possibilities for amazing skip, due to skywave and the slow sign-on of new band stations will make a DX opportunity of a lifetime. There is now a proposal, and a temporary test authorization, to try moving TIS stations to FM. Also, AM is becoming the band of innovation and creativity. Two new networks are coming on the air with 24 hour a day children's programming. New York City has recently gotten its first full time rock n roll AM in years: WJIT-1480, formerly Spanish, has converted to WZRC, 12

with SMN's Z-Rock format. I just sat through 3 days of all Led Zepplin. They have a promo that states "You know FM (what you do to a lollipop), so we're on AM...Z-Rock 1480". Programmers are really taking chances on AM and we will hear a lot of courageous ideas in the next few years. With technical advances like Kahn's compatible single-sideband "Powerside" and new antenna designs, stations are investing heavily in AM's future. WBZ Boston is airing a very ambitious children's show called Kid Company that sounds like All Things Considered. Stations are investing in the future by building formats attractive to younger listeners on AM. WADN in Concord, MA with their folk format is another good example. If you think AM is dead, dream on! Our band is what's happening! Finally, IRCA will have a carrier-current station in the hotel in Knoxville. Send me ideas on what we should call it, and what we should do with it. Play neat airchecks, do interviews, pretend we're from Fiji, whatever. Above all, let me know what we can do to add to your fun as a medium wave DXer! Until then, happy trails! KZ.

Rick Evans, Apt. 19, 5104 North Lovers Lane, Milwaukee, Wisc. 53225

I just got back from a 9-day 2715 mile trip south to take my wife home to see her family. Had a good time but, as usual for vacations, time was too limited to do all I wanted. A couple or three years ago, someone asked where Hazel Green, Ala. was. I went thru it on 5/12, so I can definitely say it's about 15 miles north of downtown Huntsville, Ala. on US 431. It's just a small "undefined" type of town, but I think a good location for a radio station as it could cover Huntsville and points south of it (which turned out to be a big resort area) as well as central southern Tennessee. I called Hazel Green an "undefined" type of town as it's about a half mile strip of stores with new housing sub-divisions stretching out from that, while I tend to think of small towns as a courthouse in the middle of the downtown shopping district with older homes nearby. Yes, I've been influenced by the visits to small-town Dixie and rural Indiana. Also, while in Ozark, Ala., I listened to WOZK-900. Good instrumental music, with the slogan of "where the melody lingers on". Also spotted in a Kentucky business newspaper that WJSP-AM in Murray, KY (they didn't say the frequency, but I think it's 1340) is in the processing of being sold for \$2.2 million. For a small station in rural Kentucky, somebody must have faith in the AM band. That's about it for this time. I'll be spending Decoration Day weekend in Michigan with my Dad. 73.

DXWW - West (continued from Page 3)

CB-HI CHUCK BOEHNKE, P. O. Box 488, Keaau, HI 96749
R71A and Longwires

JB-WA1 JOHN BRYANT, Box 201, Lopez, WA 98261 (DXing at Orcas, WA)
NRD 525 1000' Beverage at 310 degrees, sloped between 30 and 40 degrees down.

TRH-CA TIM HALL, 350 G Street, #F-1, Chula Vista, CA 92010-4559
ICF-2010, Radio West Loop

TRH-CA2 ..DXing with NEIL KAZAROSS at Poway beverage site, San Diego, CA. ICF-2010, 1700 feet E (90 degrees), 2000 feet ESE (120-125 degrees), 1400 feet SE (145 degrees), all terminated.

DL-HI DOUG LAMERSON, 1777 East-West Road, Honolulu, HI 96848
Superadio & 100 foot with spiral loop

This column typed in Riverside using just a few items from the many which were submitted. The remainder of all reported items will appear in a future issue, typed by Pat.

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On June 15, most if not all of the IRCA Almanac will be ready to go to the printer. We are examining bids from printers in Seattle and in California to get IRCA the best value. We want quality work, fairly quick turnaround on this long-awaited book, and a good price to maximize benefit to the club treasury.

The Almanac will be 240 pages, 50 pages longer than any previous Almanac. If we had run everything on hand with no changes, it would have run 284 pages! I've been busy tightening this book up. Some articles which were printed in a fairly large typestyle are being reprinted one type size down, still very readable but saving us dozens of pages. I've also dropped 12 pages of redundant lists.

Paste-up is proceeding well. Of 240 pages, 92 are essentially ready to go. 40 are camera-ready, and most of the other 52 are awaiting revised page numbers and such. 22 pages of station updater just need to be printed out and pasted up. The reprinted articles should be here June 1. I'm concentrating on 100 pages of network, talk, music, and foreign DX paste-up. We're overhauling the AM Stereo list to include the 1990 Motorola list. Pro and college sports networks are on computer now, allowing last-minute updates. Progress this month has been excellent, so watch for a further update next month!

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entire second sheet - same postage. Thanks. Now on to something to do during the summer months. **Pool Party/DX GTG. Where? Rth's place. When? Saturday, 21 July. Time: 1200 to ?.** I will provide soda and munchies, you provide swim suits, lawn chair, anything you want barbecued, radio equipment and best lies. Something stronger than soda? Bring your own supply. Directions: From US 99, exit Florin Rd. East, 3 miles to French Rd. (Power Inn Rd. is stoplight prior to French), hang a right onto French, past apartment complex on left, get into suicide lane, left on first left (Sun-Florin), immediate right on Bellamy and stop at blue house with white trim on left just after street makes sharp turn. See you here. Altered deadline due to vacation dates (my sister forced me into this situation, hi). Thanks for your continued support. Summer-time there's still DX to be found, so best of DX and 73 de Rth. .