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MESSAGE FROM THE IRCA PRESIDENT - Lee Freshwater

We have two items of interest this week.

We are pleased to announce the completion of the "New Member Packet" This packet has been posted on the Web at - http://members.aol.com/irca3/nwmember.htm. We have split it into several pages, so you can choose what you want to look at. At this time, we plan to leave this posted indefinitely. This will not be a fancy site, just wanted it "printable".

Once printed, this packet will be sent to all members receiving the hard DXM. At this time we are attempting to print this up, and hopefully will NOT have to take it to a print shop. The package runs

15 sheets (60 pages)

Other items. After consulting with ANARC and reading some of their pass outs, I will be forwarding to the BOD a proposal to renew our membership in ANARC. Please let your BOD know how you feel about this. One advantage of ANARC is that they have arranged to feature our club on their website, and pass out information at the Dayton Hamfest in May.

Your ideas and comments are welcome.

best regards... fresh

CPC DX TESTS SUMMARY

CPC Chairperson (IRCA) - Lynn Hollerman - gmhollerman@mindspring.com

5/ 7/00 Sun - 0000-0400 - 1660 - WMIB - Marco FL (IRCA)

"From Phil Beckman, WMIB CE (wmib@email.com):

Attention radio DX'ers/radio nuts! Mark your calendar for May 7, 2000 between 0000 & 0400 EDT for another in the ongoing series of 'test' programs on WMIB 1660khz at our daytime power of 10kw. Lots of obscure oldies, occasional jingles and some silliness thrown in! Hope you'll be there! Phil"

CPC RESULTS & INFO

WTBQ-1110, Warwick, NY - tested Saturday, April 1, 2000 from 0515-0600 EST: Steve Howe in St. Albans, VT reports WTBQ surfaced very

briefly for him over WBT and WUHM(Pittsfield MA) on his ICF-2010 and Radio West loop. However, Tim Noonan in Madison, WI, Frank Aden(N7SOK) in Boise, ID, and Barry McLarnon(VE3JF) in Ottawa, ON all tried but were unable to hear the test.

This year's NRC convention will be held in Lima OH on Labor Day weekend (9/1-9/4/00). Host is Fred Vobbe, 706 Mackenzie Dr, Lima OH 45805-1835. Complete details are available at the following Web site: //www.nrcdxas.org/convention

NEXT SDXM ISSUE IN FOUR (4) WEEKS!!! (pb)

BROADCASTING INFORMATION

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#### FORMAT CHANGES:

AT Moulton

|    | HOUT COIL     | MUTT TIPO | was country / Hant, now country       |
|----|---------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| AL | Tallassee     | WTLS-1300 | was country, now soft AC (sports talk |
|    |               |           | 4-6 PM, AS nights)                    |
| FL | Madison       | WMAF-1230 | was silent, now classic country       |
| HI | Honolulu      | KGU - 760 | was sports, now talk                  |
| MI | Benton Harbor | WHFB-1060 | was nx, now talk                      |
| MS | Laurel        | WEEZ- 890 | was silent, now ABC black gospel      |
| MT | East Missoula | KLCY- 930 | was talk, now WW1 AS                  |
| TN | Germantown    | WOWW-1430 | was oldies, classical, now R. Disney  |
| TN | Memphis       | WWGQ-1030 | was WSFZ, talk, adds Rick & Bubba     |

WHIY-1190 was country//WXKI now country

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY:

WI Hudson WDGY- 630 inc. to 200-N, DA-2

#### FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS:

ON Smiths Falls CJET- 630 move to 92.3 FM

# CALL LETTER CHANGES:

| CA | Los Angeles   | KKHJ- 930 | becomes KHJ                        |
|----|---------------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| FL | Lake Worth    | WLVS-1380 | becomes WWRF "Radio Fiesta"        |
| KY | Murray        | WSJP-1130 | becomes WRKY                       |
| NY | Auburn        | WKGJ-1340 | becomes WWLF "Wolf Radio, Inc."    |
| NY | Spring Valley | WLIR-1300 | requests WRCR                      |
| TN | Memphis       | WSFZ-1030 | becomes WWGQ "Gentleman Quarterly" |
|    |               |           |                                    |

# FORMAT CHANGES:

CA Merced KTFN-1580 was sports, to be JRN SS hits//KAXW (new format debut 5/1)

| CA   | Merced          | KAXW-1660     | is new, to be JRN SS hits (5/1) (not   |
|------|-----------------|---------------|--|
|      | C               | mmn coo       | on air yet as of 4/13-ye ed.)  |
|      | San Francisco   | KNBR- 680     | was sports, talk, drops Rush Limbaugh  |
| CA   | San Francisco   | KSFO- 560     | was talk, adds Rush Limbaugh (sched.   |
| CO   | Buena Vista     | FD\01-14E0    | to start 7/3)  |
| CO   | Buena Vista     | KDMN-1450     | was talk, sports, now talk//1060 khz.  |
|      |                 |               | (KDMN-145 and KVLE-610 break sim. of   |
| CO   | Longmont        | KSKE-1060     | KSKE-1060 to air Limbaugh middays)   |
| CO   | Longillone      | V2VF-1000     | was KLMO, country, now talk "Radio   |
| CO   | Vail            | KVLE- 610     | Colors"  |
| CO   | AGTI            | KATE- 610     | was KSKE, talk, sports, now talk//1060   |
| DE   | Wilmington      | WTMC-1380     | khz. "Radio Colors"  |
|      | Vero Beach      | WTTB-1490     | was silent, now all-traffic  |
|      | vero beach      | W115 1430     | was stds., talk, now CNN Headline nx<br>(local talk 8-10 AM and 11 AM-noon)  |
| GA   | McRae           | WYIS-1410     | was AC//WYSC, now urban  |
|      | North Atlanta   | WCNN- 680     | was nex, talk, now urban AC//WALR-FM   |
|      | Leavenworth     | KKLO-1410     | was religion, adds JRN country (May)   |
|      | Annapolis       | WBIS-1190     | was business, adds sports 1-4 PM   |
|      | Salisbury       | WTGM- 960     | was sports, now country//WFFG "Froggy"   |
|      | Niles           | WNIL-1290     | was oldies, now ABC 45+ soft AC  |
|      | Aitkin          | KKIN- 930     | was AS, to add JRN stds. (August)  |
|      | Albuquerque     | KNML- 610     | was KSVA, LTK cont. Xtian, now sports  |
|      | . mondaca dac   | 141121 010    | (KSVA's calls & format move to 920)  |
| NM   | Albuquerque     | KSVA- 920     | was KHTL, talk, now LTK cont. Xtian  |
|      | -mouduorduo     | 10111 320     | (KHTL calls/pgming move to 1050)   |
| NM   | Los Ranchos de  | Albumiermie   | KHTL-1050 was KNML, sports, now talk   |
|      |                 | · mmuquoz quo | (KNML calls/format move to 610)  |
| PA   | Scranton        | WEJ - 630     | was AS, now ESPN sports  |
|      | Wilkes-Barre    | WBAX-1240     | was stds//WEJL, now ESPN sports//WEJL  |
|      | Crossville      | WCSV-1490     | is stunting, to be WW1 oldies  |
|      | Abilene         | KZQQ-1560     | was KMPC, stds., now 1 on 1 sports   |
|      |                 |               | "Zoo"  |
| TX   | Dallas          | KDXX-1480     | was reg. Mexican//KLNO, now romantica  |
|      |                 | 100           | "Amor"   |
| TX   | Odessa          | KRIL-1410     | was nx/talk, now talk//KMND  |
| UT   | Centerville     | KSG0-1600     | was reg. Mexican, adds JRN regional  |
|      |                 |               | Mexican  |
| VA   | Radford         | WRAD-1460     | was classic hits//WBXW, now AS   |
| WA   | Goldendale      | KLCK-1400     | was AS, now oldies "Classic Oldies"  |
| WV   | Charleston      | WCHS- 580     | was talk, now ESPN sports  |
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| CON  | STRUCTION PERMI | T ACTIVITY:   |  |
|      |                 |               |  |
| MM   | Albuquerque     | KIVA-1580     | requests move to 1600 khz., inc. to  |
|      |                 |               | 128 w. ND  |
| CAL  | L LETTER CHANGE | S:            |  |
| ev = |                 |               |  |
| CA   | Costa Mesa      | KNOB- 540     | becomes KKGO (note: this station is  |
|      |                 |               | currently silent-ye ed.)   |
|      | Longmont        | KLMO-1060     | requests KSKE  |
|      | Vail            | KSKE- 610     | requests KVLE "Vail"   |
|      | Albuquerque     | KSVA- 610     | requests KNML "Sports Animal"  |
| NM   | Albuquerque     | KHTT 920      | remiests VCVA  |

Pat Martin of Seaside, OR. passes on the following information from Pete Taylor of Tacoma, WA:

KMPC-1560 becomes KZQQ "The Zoo"

NM Albuquerque KHTL- 920 requests KSVA

TX Abilene

NM Los Ranchos de Albuquerque KNML-1050 requests KHTL

The morning after hearing the carrier on/over KXOL-1660 4/5 0101, I talked to PD Bill Burton (signer of my KTFN-1580 verie) and he did

not want to talk about it. "Maybe it was on, maybe it wasn't - I don't know for sure." He just said "the station was coming together." He confirmed the KAXW call letters. Due to KXOL's overwhelming skywave, it was impossible to get a bearing on the carrier. However, there was a beat, as opposed to a fade, and I am convinced it was KAXW, so be on the lookout. If there had been audio, it would have been equal in strength to KXOL's. (Note: new M Street shows KAXW-1660 sched. To come on air 5/1 w/JRN SS hits-ye ed.)

Pat Martin sent along the following information from Dennis Gibson of Goleta, CA. that KCTD-1540 Los Angeles is now KMPC.

Pat Martin sends along the following from Eric Bueneman of St. Louis, MO.:

A mention in Jim Kirk's column in the Business section of Wednesday's (April 5, 2000) Chicago Tribune states that rumors are flying around the Chicago market that Infinity Broadcasting/CBS Radio is planning to move WSCR's sports format from 1160 to the 670 spot now occupied by news/sports talk station WMAQ. WMAQ has been running sports talk in the evenings for a while now. A move of WSCR's sports format to WMAQ would be a logical choice, since WSCR has to power down to 5 kW at night from it's 50 kW daytime power, to protect KSL in Salt Lake City on 1160. By contrast, WMAQ is the primary station on 670 kHz. The all-news format will remain on WBBM-780 (which has received the rights to the Chicago Bears football games in the 2000-2001 season). 1160 was long the home of Adult Standards (the old WJJD) before Infinity/CBS moved WSCR's sports programming to 1160 from 820. The Adult Standards format is only available in Chicago on low-power WCGO-1600 and (last I heard) daytimer WAIT-850. If this happens, what will go on 1160?

Ye editor passes along the following:

Art Bell to quit again - for good "Broadcaster cites false allegations of child molestation

Radio talk show host Art Bell announced Saturday that he is retiring for a second time - and for good - because of false allegations that he is a child molester.

BELL, WHOSE "Coast to Coast AM with Art Bell" is America's most popular overnight radio program, made the announcement to his estimated 15 million listeners. "For myself, an ordeal looms ahead to clear my good name of accusations I committed a crime, committed against my own son," Bell said.

Bell said his son, Art Bell IV, was kidnapped and raped in 1997 by a substitute high school teacher who was infected with the AIDS virus. The boy was 16 at the time.

The teacher, Brian Lepley, was sentenced in May 1998 to life in prison.

'TAINTED FOR LIFE'

"The reality that, after suffering the fate of my son's own molestation, I now stand destined to be tainted for life as a child molester, has proven simply too much to bear," the Nevada-based broadcaster said. "God knows, I have tried."

His last broadcast will be the night of April 26 and the retirement will be permanent, Bell said.

Bell's program, heard on more than 400 stations nationwide, deals with topics ranging from space aliens to FBI and CIA conspiracies. The program will continue with a new host, said Premiere Radio Network, Inc., which syndicates "Coast to Coast."

Bell first announced his retirement in October 1998, mysteriously citing "a threatening, terrible event" suffered by his family but

offering no details. Two weeks later, he was back on the air. 'TAILSPIN'

On Saturday, Bell said the event was the attack on his son, which sent his family into a deep crisis and the teen-ager into a "psychological tailspin which continues to this very day," Bell said.

Bell also alleged that a few months after the attack, WWCR, a worldwide Christian short-wave radio station based in Nashville, Tenn., allowed the broadcast of false rumors that he is a child molester.

Such rumors have spread, Bell said, and he continues to receive on-air calls from listeners asking if he is child molester.

Bell broadcasts his program out of his home in the small desert farming community of Pahrump, 60 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

Pat Martin sends along the following from Nigel Pimblett of Medicine Hat, AB.:

Just a quick note to advise that CKTA, 1570 khz in Taber, Alberta has now left the air. They had been running parallel with their new FM (93.3 The Hawk) for the past couple of months.

Dennis Gibson sends along the following concerning 1340 Santa Barbara, CA.:

As of today (4/5/00-ye ed.), they are still KXXT. I'll try to remember to let you know when I notice they've become KIST. Actually, they will become KIST-AM, because KIST-FM on 107.7 is keeping their call letters after their format change. I assume you never hear them anymore since they moved to KBKO-1490's tower. I think you told me once that you used to hear them all the time before they moved. They had a roof top ground (their tower was on top of an 8 story building in downtown SB); I'm surprised they got out well back then.

Jim Hilliker of Pacific Grove, CA. sends along the following concerning KOQI-1200 Soquel, CA.'s Status:

The owner, Wayne Woolard told us he was testing for 30 days with the 10,000 watts night time pattern...Don't know what's going on as of today...I'll see if someone can contact Wayne for use and see what the latest is. He's still waiting to get FCc approval for regular programming time so he can get a buyer.

Art Blair of Orangevale, CA. passes along the following: KNRS-570 Salt Lake City has dropped K-News moniker, now Family Values Talk Radio. Found info this morning on radiodigest.com

Pat Martin sends along the following:

KAST (1370 Astoria, OR.-ye ed.) is now 24 hours. Don't know if they are NSP or not, but probably. All three AMers are owned by the same Seattle based company and the other two (KVAS and KSWB) are NSP. KAST runs Art Bell from 0000 to 0500 PDT.

1450-Aberdeen is now NOS

1490- Hoquiam is Sports

Well, I'm finally settled into my new work, just 1/2 mile from my old work. In case someone needs to contact me, my number is 408-742-3216, I have voicemail. Please don't use my old no. (408-743-1292) anymore. I also have the following E-mail addresses: rjwmail@webtv.net (main home E-mail), wienrobert@hotmail.com, robert.wien@lmco.com, and robert.j.wien@saic.com (if you send to this address, it'll simply filter back to my hotmail account, so just use the first 3, please). 3 days till tax deadline day, hope

your DX doesn't tax you too much! 73's.

#### FCC

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# CALL SIGN CHANGES

| NEW  | CITY AND STATE     | FREQUENCY | FORMER |
|------|--------------------|-----------|--------|
| CALL |                    |           | CALL   |
| KKGO | COSTA MESA, CA     | 540       | KNOB   |
| WXJO | GORDON, GA         | 1120      | WBNM   |
| KREB | BENTONVILLE, AR    | 1190      | KESE   |
| KWKU | POMONA, CA         | 1220      | KWPA   |
| KZAR | ROGERS, AR         | 1390      | KREB   |
| KMPC | LOS ANGELES, CA    | 1540      | KCTD   |
| KZQQ | ABILENE, TX        | 1560      | KMPC   |
| KVTK | VERMILLION, SD     | 1570      | KOSZ   |
| KWSI | KANSAS CITY, MO    | 1660      | KBJC   |
| WPTX | LEXINGTON PARK, MD | 1690      | WMDM   |
|      |                    |           |        |

# WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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WDXR DEADLINES: Fridays: May 19, June 16, July 21. Please use Eastern Time.

#### COLUMN #1. REPORTERS FOR THIS ISSUE:

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- (GL) Gary Larson-2806 Lincoln-Burbank, CA 91504 DX'ing at work in San Fernando, CA
- (BN) Bill Nittler- nittlers2@juno.com
- (PT) Pete Taylor-6002 Bayview Dr. NE-Tacoma, WA 98422-1227 Sony 2010, KIWA air core loop

#### OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1300 KTWK CO, Colorado Springs 3/24 2100 heard with call switch and oldies. (BN-CO)
- 1340 KTMM CO, Grand Junction ex-KQIL heard with new call and "Team Radio" slogan while on trip to Montrose on 3/19.(BN-CO)
  - 700 KWLW UT, North Salt Lake City 4/4 0309 faint, fading, when local 710 was totally off. (GL-CA)
  - 710 (KDIS) CA, Los Angeles 4/4 0303 and 0332 off air, at times carrier on and others with tones. (GL-CA)
  - 840 WPBW809 CA, Cordelia TIS/HAR at 680-80 interchange heard 3/29
    1300 giving information to take other roadways and stay

- off Highway 80 Dixon, CA gas tanker blew up, closing both lanes). (GJ-CA)
- 880 CHQT AB, Edmonton while finally resetting the bedroom clock radio to PDT 4/6 0150, noted strong beat against KIXI and what appeared to be EZL. The mighty 2010 and KIWA loop enabled me to get a couple of good CHQT ID's.

  Assume day pattern as other Edmonton stations were normal. Some KWIP. New. (PT-WA)
- 1590 KLIV CA, San Jose coming out of Sharks game with a couple of ID's, 3/30 0115. All alone; no KLFE anywhere. (PT-WA)
- 1610 TIS/HAR CA, Pittsburgh 3/27 0600 "The Pittsburgh Fire
  Department will be doing a slow burn during the hours
  of 8am-3:30pm, from Monday 3/27/00 to Wednesday
  3/29/00. Please use caution & watch for smoke while
  going through the area." They no longer give ID &
  location. Just say CalTrans. So, location is near
  Pittsburgh. (GJ-CA)
  - WPPFK506 CA, Redding TIS/HAR on highway construction west of Redding, CA on Highway 299 heard 3/31 0600. (GJ-CA)
- 1620 WTAW TX, College Station 4/3 "WTAW 1620 College Station-Bryan" ID 0100, then Matt Drudge, so guess this is official call change. (BN-CO)
- 1660 ?KAXW? CA, Merced strong open carrier beating against KXOL 4/5 0101; gone by 0108. Station PD wouldn't confirm or deny but said "The station is coming together." (PT-WA)
  - KRZX TX, Waco 4/3 2300 with NCAA basketball through KXOL for first time, ID as KRZI. (BN-CO) (KRZI?-NJ)
- 1670 ?WRNC? GA, Warner Robins (presumed). Some C&W music drifted in briefly almost even with WTDY 4/5 0100, but that's all I got. (PT-WA)
- 1700 KBGG IA, Des Moines 3/25 2300 in with CNN promos, "News all day" and ID's for "The new KBGG" and KKSO 1390.

  Haven't heard them mention KKSO before. (PT-WA)

DX TESTS

- 1110 (WTBQ) NY, Warick 4/1 0515-0600 nothing heard that sounded like a test. (FA-ID)
- 1150 (WELC) WV, Welch 3/26 0000-0030 nothing heard under Klamath Falls that sounded like a test. (FA-ID)
- 1600 (KOGT) TX, Orange 3/26 0030-0100 nothing heard in mess that appeared to be a test. 1600 sounds like a graveyard channel here! (FA-ID)

It appears nearly everyone is spending their DX time at the upper end of the band! Thanks to those who took the time to send a report this week. Nancy 4/7/00 2300

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  GE Superadio, Select-A-Tenna, HQ-180A, Radio West loop

#### OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1540 KMPC CA, Los Angeles 4/10 0800 good with ID on hour "From the 210 to the 405..this is the all-new all-sports 1540, the new KMPC, Los Angeles," back into One-On-one sports. Call change, ex-KCTD. (RW-CA)
- 1600 KIVA NM, Albuquerque ex-1580 heard on 4/13 with "Kiva-1600 KIVA" ID at 2110. When did this change occur? (BN-CO) (First I've heard of it!--NJ)
- 540 KNAK UT, Delta a powerhouse at 0655 4/20. Daybreak USA ended, then there were commercials for two Delta businesses. Surely was on daytime 1kw power. (LG-MT)

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- 600 KNRO CA, Redding 4/19 0849 "Giant Country 600" ID, mixing with others. (AB-CA)
- 630 KWRO OR, Coquille 4/19 0900 "Newstalk KWRO Coquille" ID, into CNN news. (AB-CA)
- 840 TIS/HARS CA, Bay area 4/6 2000 WPEI434 & WPBW809 mixing with each other. "West bound 80 at Bay Bridge 3 lanes closed because of police action." Good signal. Exact locations not known, not given. (GJ-CA)
  - TIS/HAR CA, Belvedere 4/15 1200 giving info about the city and ID'ing as "Emergency Services Radio Station." (GJ-CA)
- 1130 KQNA AZ, Prescott had enormous signal at 2300 4/10, completely in the clear with CKWX subdued by apparent aurora. ID as "Newstalk 1130 AM, KQNA," then CNN Headline news. This is supposedly a daytimer! (LG-MT)
- 1150 ?KFRR? CO, Englewood presumed the "La Unica" Spanish-speaker at 0800 4/3. It faded when there may have been a call ID. (LG-MT)
- 1230 KPRL CA, Paso Robles 4/16 1029 "This is KPRL" ID, station #400! (AB-CA)
- 1300 KKOL WA, Seattle mixing with others at 1000 4/21. Announcer ID'd as "Talk 1300...K-(pause)-KOL, Seattle." (LG-MT)
  - CJME SK, Regina was on top at 0800 4/21, ID'ing as "CJME, Newstalk 1300." At 0900 mentioned it's "The Information Station." (LG-MT)
- 1400 KQMS CA, Redding popped up with ID as "Talk 1400, KQMS, Redding" at 0800 4/10. Not new, but rarely heard. (LG-MT)
- 1490 KSYC CA, Yreka deep in the mud at 1000 4/10. I managed to hear an ID for affiliate KMJC-620. (LG-MT)
  - KCID ID, Caldwell as per tip from Bill Frahm, KCID is now running oldies rock //KCID-FM "Star 107." Have not heard any separate AM ID's. (FA-ID)
- 1540 KCTD CA, Las Angeles per LA Times will become KMPC 4/8 12am

  PDT and eventually relocate to Santa Monica area. At

  0000, 0100 and 0700 4/8 legal ID still KCTD. (GL-CA)

  (See Bobs tip in the special interest section above NJ)
- 1610 TIS/HAR CA, Fort Bragg 4/7 0650 giving road construction info and "Drive with caution." No call letters heard. Very weak and fading. (GJ-CA)
- 1620 WTAW TX, College Station 4/10 0700 fair in KSMH null with ad

for term life insurance, lendingtree.com, stock news, then ad for Collin Honda on Southwest Parkway in Dallas, weather for Dallas with high of 79, T-shorts, ID "Currently, 57 degrees at 1620 WTAW." New. (RW-CA) +4/14 0550 heard well on top of KSMH and others with Art Bell program, ID's at 0558 mentioning WTAW. I was surprised to hear it so well in Oregon. It was a regular in So. Cal, as KSMH is poor. (PM-OR)

KYIZ WA, Renton 4/9 0451 coming in poor with KYIZ & KRIZ ID. (CM-CA)

1650 KGXL CA, Costa Mesa 4/9 0655 coming in good with jazz music new format. (CM-CA)

KBDJ CO, Denver 4/14 good on top with contemp. Christian music, way over KGXL (who isn't all that strong here), ID at 0501, slogans as "The Beat." (PM-OR)

1660 KRZX TX, Waco was pushing KXOL around 4/11 2300. I heard ID for affiliate KRZI, then jingle "KRZI, Newstalk Radio" followed by CBS news. (LG-MT)

KXOL UT, Brigham City 4/9 0655 with oldies, good signal as always. (CM-CA)

1690 KDDZ CO, Arvada 4/9 0715 coming in good with Radio Disney. (CM-CA)

UNID

1620 4/9 0415 coming in poor with Coast to Coast with Art Bell.

Any ideas on this station? (CM-CA) (WTAW College Station, TX.--NJ)

Be sure to check WDXR deadlines at the beginning of the column. There is only one deadline in May! Nancy 4/21/00 2300

IRCA "Scrabble" DX Contest

# Standings as of April 15, 2000

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| 1.  | Tom Jasinski   | 1562          | 6.   | Nancy Johnson*     | 876          |
|-----|----------------|---------------|------|--------------------|--------------|
| 2.  | Nigel Pimblett | 1066          | 7.   | John C. Johnson    | 359          |
| 3.  | Pete Taylor    | 1045          | 8.   | Mike Sanburn       | 297          |
| 4.  | Dave Braun     | 980           | 9.   | Lynn Hollerman     | 118          |
| 5.  | John Tudenham  | 959           | 10.  | Dale Park          | 54           |
| *Co | ntest Manager, | Nancy Johnson | is n | ot eligible to win | the contest. |

We're almost at the end of this season's contest.

# CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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# COLUMN #1. RIDING GAIN

[NJ-MT] Nancy Johnson, Billings, MT nancyjohnson@uswestmail.net Yaesu FRG-7, "Radio West" loop.

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 Kenwood R-1000, "Radio West" Loop.
[WRS-OK] Wendell R. Stanton, Tulsa, OK

#### DOWN THE DIAL

700 WLW OH, Cincinnati. 3-27. 21:40 with talk show. [WRS-OK]

- 780 KSPI OK, Stillwater. 3-28. 09:07 with news, ID, "News talk 7-80 KSPI" spot for an insurance company, weather and then a Stillwater City Council report. [WRS-OK]
- 790 KURM AR, Rogers. 3-28. 09:20 with "KURM Dial-a-trade" and spot for a sheet metal company. [WRS-OK]
- 860 KKOW KS, Pittsburg. 3-24. 19:04 with news and two spots.
  [WRS-OK]
- 1030 KFAY AR, Fayetteville. 3-28. 09:30 with weather, ID, "News talk 10:30 KFAY" and spots. [WRS-OK]
- 1060 WLNO LA, New Orleans. 3-24. 22:00 with religious program by a David T. Moore, "Moore On Life." [WRS-OK]
- 1080 KRLD TX, Dallas. 3-24. 19:24 with ID, sports news. [WRS-OK]
- 1340 KPRK MT, Livingston. 4-7. 23:00 ID after country tune "13-40 AM KPRK Livingston. Cool Country" into ABC News.[NJ-MT]
  - KSEK KS, Pittsburg. 3-27 fair. 22:00 legal ID in classic country format. My 2nd KS GY. [TN-WI]
  - KSGT WY, Jackson. 4-4. 23:00 with ID "This is KSGT Jackson Hole, Wyoming" into Ai news. [NJ-MT]
- 1500 KSTP MN, Saint Paul. 3-24. 19:37 with "Radio Free Minnesota" call in program. [WRS-OK]
- 1570 WSWV VA, Pennington Gap. 3-30 fair to good. 07:00 with, news weather, legal ID mentioning WSWV-FM 105.5 and ".best music in the mountains." Not new, but any VA other than WRVA is rare here. [TN-WI]
- 1670 (WTDY) WI, Madison. 3-29 noted off at 23:42. First WTDY silent period ever noted here. [TN-WI]

#### DX TESTS

- 1110 (WTBQ) NY, Warwick. 4-1 DX Test tried 05:15-06:00, but not heard. KFAB and two unIDs were in on 1110. [TN-WI]
- 1600 (KOGT) TX, Orange. 4-2 DX Test tried 00:30-01:00, but not heard. St. Louis 1600 dominated. [TN-WI]

#### OPEN MIKE

Kindness is a language the dumb can speak and the deaf can hear and understand. A big CDXR welcome to Wendell R. Stanton. While Wendell has been a member since 1995, this is his first report. Thanks for joining us here at CDXR! It looks like the season is slowly winding down for another year, but there is still some DX left to catch.

Send in your tips for the next CDXR. This column was completed 4-8-00 15:00. 73, John

#### COLUMN #2. RIDING GAIN

- [KDF-IL] Karl D. Forth, Chicago, IL Kdforth@email.msn.com
- [NJ-MT] Nancy Johnson, Billings, MT nancyjohnson@uswestmail.net Yaesu FRG-7, "Radio West" loop.
- [TN-WI] Tim Noonan, Madison, WI DXing@webtv.net Kenwood R-1000, "Radio West" Loop.
- [JJR-WI] John J. Rieger, South Milwaukee, WI johnjrieger@webtv.net Icom IC-R70, FRG 100, Kiwa Loop, MFJ-959B, DSP599zx.
- [WS-OK] Wendell R. Stanton, Tulsa, OK Kenwood R1000, Eavesdropper antenna. Radio Shack DX-390.

# DOWN THE DIAL

550 KFYR ND, Bismarck. 4-18 poor and steady in St. Louis null.

- 03:49 with concert promo, jingle into oldie. [JJR-WI]
- 570 WNAX SD, Yankton. 4-18 poor. 03:51 with weather, "5-70 WNAX" slogan. [JJR-WI]
- 600 CKAT ON, North Bay. 4-18 fair in WMT null. 04:00 with "Continuous Country on North Bay's 600 CKAT." [JJR-WI]
- WMT IA, Cedar Rapids. 4-15. 02:58 with ABC News. [WS-OK]
- 650 WSM TN, Nashville. 4-11. 23:06 with Eddy Stubbs' Opry Lineup. "6-50 WSM. We're America's Country Station. 6-50 WSM." [WS-OK]
- 710 KCMO MO, Kansas City. 4-14. 22:25 with KC Blades vs. Utah Grizzlies hockey game, spots. [WS-OK]
- 780 WBBM IL, Chicago. 4-12. 03:59 with CBS News, spots. [WS-OK]
- 790 WSGW MI, Saginaw. 4-17 fair. 07:49 with spots, traffic report. [JJR-WI]
- 820 WBAP TX, Fort Worth. 4-1. 21:03 with news, ID. [WS-OK]
- 840 WHAS KY, Louisville. 4-12. 03:43 with Joe Arnold show, spots.
  [WS-OK]
- 870 WWL LA, New Orleans. 4-1. 20:14 with spots, NC vs. FL basketball PBP. [WS-OK]
- 910 KVIS OK, Miami. 4-12. 09:00 with News, "Parson To Parson" with Pastor Terry. [WS-OK]
- 920 KARN AR, Little Rock. 4-11. 23:19 with Michael Reagan Show.
  [WS-OK]
- 1000 KTOK OK, Oklahoma City. 4-12. 09:11 with weather, sports, ID
  "News radio 1000 KTOK" and spots. [WS-OK]
- 1070 KFDI KS, Wichita. 4-14. 22:50 with news, legal ID. [WS-OK]
- 1090 KAAY AR, Little Rock. 4-11. 23:29 with "World Of Prophesy"
  [WS-OK]
- 1100 WTAM OH, Cleveland. 4-14. 23:04 with "WTAM 1100" ID into Rush Limbaugh Show. [WS-OK]
- 1180 --- WI, Milwaukee. 4-17 poor. TIS station with "11-80 Travelers Advisory Radio" and Milwaukee Brewers baseball information. EX-1610. Never ID's as usual. New! [JJR-WI]
- 1240 WTAX IL, Springfield. 4-17 poor in fade up. 07:19 with ID, News. [JJR-WI]
- 1350 KRNT IA, Des Moines. 4-17 poor over all. 07:07 with news "..on KRBT" into spots. Not common. [JJR-WI]
- 1450 KMMS MT, Bozeman. 4-19 in good. 22:00 with ID. [NJ-MT]

  KQDI MT, Great Falls. 4-17. 21:00 ID "This is KQDI Great

  Falls. News talk 14-50." [NJ-MT]
- 1490 CJSN SK, Shaunavon. 4-12. 22:00 with ID. [NJ-MT]

  KBUR IA, Burlington. 4-16 fair. 00:00 with simulcast legal ID

  with KBKB-1360 Fort Madison. [TN-WI]
  - KGOS WY, Torrington. 4-18 fair above others. 22:00 with woman with ID "This is KGOS AM and KGOS FM Torrington" into Ai News. [NJ-MT]
- 1510 WJKN MI, Jackson. 4-17 poor under WLAC. 06:55 with weather and "News radio WJKN" slogan. [JJR-WI]
  - WLAC TN, Nashville. 4-1. 22:18 with John Kingston's "Watch America" program. [WS-OK]
- 1550 WDLR OH, Delaware. 3-31 over WBSC. 22:03 with pop oldies, jingles, and mention of 24 hour operation. [KDF-IL]
- 1620 WTAW TX, College Station. 4-1. 20:45 with ID "News talk 11-50 WTAW" and Dr. Dean Edell program. Spot for Texas Commercial Waste. EX-KAZW. [WS-OK] +4-11 fair, about the same level as South Bend. 07:00
- with ID. No mention of KZNE call noted. [TN-WI]

  1650 WHKT VA, Portsmouth. 3-31 fair over KDNZ. 21:12 with Hampton
  Roads Admirals hockey from Trenton, NJ. ID's at every
  break in PBP. [KDF-IL]

- 1660 KRZX TX, Waco. 4-1. 20:34 with Nebraska vs. Baylor basketball game, spots. [WS-OK]
- 1690 KDDZ CO, Arvada. 4-11 poor. 06:58 with Radio Disney programming. Legal ID by child. First time ID'ed under these calls. [TN-WI]
  - WPTX MD, Lexington Park. 4-17 fair to poor. 00:00 with mention of Maryland and legal ID into news. Needed for call change, EX-WMDM. [TN-WI]

UNID

1060 unID 4-17 unID poor. 07:31 with "What A Fool Believes" by
Doobie Brothers and "Eye Of The Tiger" by Survivor.
Usual fadeout at 07:36. Loop pointed N-S. Any ideas?
[JJR-WI]

#### 25 YEARS AGO

April 26, 1975 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Jef Jaisun of Kirkland, WA told about hearing South America in 1956 and starting his DX hobby. Jef also mentioned his work at KAZM, KSAN, KOL, and KRAB ... John Oldfield of Edmonton, AB said he was 30 and started DX'ing in 1959 ... HM3 Mike Hardester of San Diego, CA said he had an SPR-4 on order and wanted to get a Heath IB-1101.

#### OPEN MIKE

The best portion of a good man's life is his little, nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love. Interesting reading Jef Jaisun's forum in the 4/26/75 issue. Jef also talked about his Hallicrafters SX-16. Some of you know I still have my SX-16. Haven't turned it on in over 25 years. The SX-16 put out a lot of heat from all those tubes. Winter nights in Wyoming back in the 1960's were a lot warmer when I was DX'ing with that old radio. Karl mentioned the rumors about WMAQ-670 and WSCR-1160 swapping frequencies. We'll have to keep a close watch on this change. Karl mentioned also that if it does happen the Bears would move to WBBM-780. 73, John

#### 2000 IRCA CONVENTION NEWS

The 2000 IRCA Convention will be held in Billings, Montana on August 25, 26, and 27th. Send in your reservations soon! Log onto the convention web site at http://pages.prodigy.net/john\_johnson/irca2000.htm for complete details.

# EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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SUMMERTIME DEADLINES: 5/21 - 6/18 - 7/23... Should give you all plenty of time to write up those reports !!!! FAX available at 352-732-7223.

COLUMN #1

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(WM-MD) William McGuire 2412 59th PL, Cheverly, MD 20785-2918 DX-398 Via U.S.P.S.

# LOGGINGS

| 890            | WKNV          | VA Fairlawn, 3/31 1818 "Southwest Virginia's Southern<br>Gospel Favorite, Joy AM" (WM-MD)                                |
|----------------|---------------|--|
| 1320           | WDER          | NH Derry, 4/01 1900-1905 Religious programming heard,<br>SRN News at 1905, Good signal (WM-MD)                           |
| 1360           | WDRC          | CT Hartford, 3/20 2345 Dr. Joy Browne Show, ID as "Connecticuts Fist Radio Station" (WM-MD)                              |
| 1420           | WHK           | OH Cleveland, 4/01 2200 Ad for Christain book & record<br>store in Warren, "Saturday night on the Edge" ID<br>(WM-MD)    |
| 1.000          | 57 TM         | MI Ada, 4/01 2245 Hip Hop sounding music heard (WM-MD)   |
| 1000           | WUNZ          | ************   |
| *****          | *****         | UN-IDEN:   |
|                |               | ON-IDEN.   |
| 1420           | 2222          | ?? 3/30 2358 Jim Bohannon Show heard here (WM-MD)  |
| ****           | *****         | ************   |
| Thats          | a wra         | p on the weekliesSee you all in two weeksfresh 4/9   |
|                |               |  |
| COLUM<br>***** | N #2<br>***** | ****************   |
|                |               | STARS OF THE WEEK  |
| (LF-F          | L) yo         | ur editor Drake R-8A / HQ180A, Potomic FIM-41<br>KIWA Loop, 75' 1.w. N/S   |
| (RB-N          | Y) Ray        | Bauernhuber 151-64 18th Ave. Whitestone, NY 11357-3102<br>Sangean ATS808a/Telescopic Ant/Q stick<br>marsfacel@webtv.net) |
| (WM-M          | D) Wil        | liam McGuire 2412 59th PL Cheverly MD 20785-2918<br>DX-398   |
| (PW-K          | Y) R          | C. Watts 4109 Graaf Drive, Louisville, Ky  |
|                |               | Sony ICF-SW7600, Black Box antenna   |
| ****           | *****         | *************  |
|                |               | LOGGINGS   |
| 550            | WSVA          | VA Harrisonburg 4/13 2000 End of call in talk show; ID<br>ABC news (WM-MD)   |
| 600            | WICC          | CT Bridgeport 4/18 1340 EST G CHR; many mentions of "600-WICC" traffic, wx and back to mx. (RB-NY                        |
| 640            | WWJZ          | NJ Mount Holly 4/18 1430 EST G Oldies played on "Radio<br>Disney" (RB-NY   |
| 850            | WREF          | CT Ridgefield 4/18 1445 EST G slogan = "Oldies Radio   |
|                |               | All Oldies All The Time" into a lengthy Econo-Lodge ad (RB-NY  |
|                | WRMR          | OH Cleveland 4/12 0615 A real surprise here, blowing away semi local WRUF with Adlt Stnds. "Breakfast Club               |
|                |               | Show" Local programming, wx, news, lots of ID. Signal  |
|                |               | was excellent for about 15 minutes then faded away as  |
| 890            | WKNV          | WRUF again dominent with their daytime signal. (LF-FL VA Fairlawn 4/12 1940 Promo for gospel program,                    |
|                |               | Southern Gspl format, ID (WM-MD) PA Lebanon 4/12 2008 Southern Gospel music heard, Time                                  |
| 940            | WADV          | check, "Solid Gospel" (WM-MD   |
| 960            | WELI          | CT New Haven 4/18 1455 EST F-G ID and into "Rush<br>Limbaugh Show" (RB-NY  |
| 1050           | MEAD          | NY New York 4/12 2135 NBA NJ Nets/NY Knicks "You're  |
|                |               | listening to Knicks basketball" (WM-MD   |
| 1230           | WJOI          | VA Norfolk 4/12 After James Taylor song, "Hampton Road<br>Best" ID (WM-MD  |
| 1250           | WMTR          | NJ Morristown, 4/18 1500 EST VG ID at ToH, news and into NOS mx (RB-NY   |
|                |               |  |

1400 WSTC CT Stamford 4/18 1510 EST VG Promotion for a pre-Off-Broadway play called "Thunder Knocking on My Door"

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(RB-NY)

#### SPECIAL INTEREST

660 WORL FL ALTAMONT SPRINGS(Orlando) New CP now on the air and logged here running AP-news format. Plans call for some talk programming later. Listed on FCC database as licensed to Christmas, FL. 1kw, unlimited time, with most of their signal going south and south west. Very little in my direction.

1660 WD2XAM OH Cincinnati (Xetron Corp) 4/20 1030 Test transmission by USA Digital Radio \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

The arrival of the "monthly DXM" signals the end of the season. Spent more time DXing than last season, but still fell 3 short of my goal of 650 heard. Goal this summer is to reduce the noise that I contend with and add an audio processor. Came up with a 10 band equalizer/compressor/limiter that we pulled out of one of our old AM stations years ago. Plan to restore it for DX use. We will still be updating our logbook web site every Sunday thru the summer, so check it out to keep up to date on calls and formats

http://members.aol.com/bcblogbook/main.htm

Also plan to complete the "record room" this summer, and get all my 45's and LP's into a database. This should keep me busy.....Lets all try to keep the dials spinning thru the noise. There is still some DX out there ! See you all next month.. 73's and all the \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# DX WORLDWIDE EAST

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[Connelly\*D-MA] = Duxbury Beach, MA (GC= 70.647 W / 42.056 N) (Gurnet Road, 1 km S of Marginal Road)

[Connelly\*0-MA] = Orleans, Cape Cod, MA (GC= 69.969 W / 41.754 N) (Town Landing at east end of Portanimicut Road)

[Connelly\*Y-MA] = West Yarmouth, Cape Cod, MA (GC=70.223 W/41.682 N) (mother's house)

Receiver: Drake R8A

Antenna systems: Quantum Loop, 30-m wire, APW-1 active whip, BBL-1 broadband loop (using Wellbrook ALA-1530 amplifier), Superphaser-1 phasing unit

#### \*\*\* TRANS-ATLANTIC DX \*\*\*

- 153 ALGERIA ENRS, Bechar, APR 15 2348 man in Arabic; fair. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- FRANCE Allouis, APR 15 2349 soul oldie (sounded like the Temptations); poor. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- MOROCCO R. Mediterranee Inter., Nador, APR 15 2347 female Arabic vocal, strings; good, best longwave TA. [Connelly\*D-MA]

- 207 MOROCCO RTM, Azilal, APR 15 2349 Arabic violins; poor through "QI" beacon interference. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 216 FRANCE TWR Monaco, Roumoules, APR 15 2350 French talk; through beacons. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 549 ALGERIA Les Trembles, APR 2 0044 woman in Arabic, then jazz organ and drum music; excellent, by far the loudest TA below 738 kHz. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 558 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, APR 2 0046 // 855 with mellow C&W-style vocal; to good peak. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 567 IRELAND RTE, Tullamore, APR 16 0015 female vocal, maybe Celine Dion; poor. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 576 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE5 synchros, APR 2 0047 Spanish talk // 855; over presumed Algeria. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 585 SPAIN RNE1, Madrid, APR 2 0048 calm Spanish talk, then 1980 pop-country hit "Make a Little Magic" by the Dirt Band; fair, // 855. [Connelly\*O-NA]
- 612 MOROCCO Sebaa-Aioun, APR 2 0049 Arabic talk by man; at low audio level on big carrier. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN RNE1 synchros, APR 2 0049 C&W song
  "Make a Little Magic" // 855; fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]
  + APR 15 2352 bits of talk; tough WZON slop. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 648 SPAIN RNE1, Badajoz et al., APR 2 0050 // 855 with US C&W oldie; fair. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 684 SPAIN RNE1, Sevilla, APR 2 0051 // 855 and other RNE's with "Make a Little Magic" by the Dirt Band, then Spanish talk.

  [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 693 UNITED KINGDOM BBC, Droitwich et al., APR 1 2358 discussion about workers at a shipyard. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 702 MOROCCO RTM, Sebaa-Aioun, APR 1 2356 Arabic male vocal & violins; good. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 729 SPAIN RNE1 synchros, APR 1 2356 // 738 with Spanish talk; fair to good. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 738 SPAIN RNE1, Barcelona, APR 1 2355 Spanish talk about a delegation; strong, over CHCM slop. [Connelly\*0-MA]
  747 NETHERLANDS Flevoland, APR 1 2350 "Godfather" theme
- 747 NETHERLANDS Flevoland, APR 1 2350 "Godfather" theme performed by large orchestra, then woman in Dutch; HUGE signal. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 756 GERMANY DeutschlandRadio, Braunschweig/Ravensburg, APR 1 2321
   // 1422 with woman in German; fair, over Spain.
  [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 765 SWITZERLAND RSR, Sottens, APR 1 2353 female soul vocal; loud. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, APR 2 0039 Spanish teletalk // 882; over Azores-636 het. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 846 ITALY Rome, APR 2 0042 Italian talk by man & woman, then '40s-style male vocal; good. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 855 SPAIN RNE1, Murcia et al., APR 2 0027 dance music style female vocal // 1152; good. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 864 EGYPT Santah, APR 2 0042 Koranic vocal; fair over others.
  [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 873 SPAIN SER synchros, APR 2 0041 // 1044 with Spanish newstalk; good, over WLAM-870 slop. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 882 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, APR 2 0039 teletalk // 837; over UK (music). [Connelly\*O-MA]
  - + APR 15 2338 Spanish talk; poor. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 891 ALGERIA Algiers, APR 2 0040 Arabic music; poor to fair.
  [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 954 SPAIN R. Espana, Madrid, APR 2 0036 Spanish teletalk discussion mentioning health issues. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1026 SPAIN SER synchros, APR 2 0035 // 1044 with man in Spanish; poor to fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]

- 1044 SPAIN SER synchros, APR 2 0030 Spanish talk, then pips on the half hour; loud. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 1053 UNITED KINGDOM Talk Sport synchros, APR 16 0013 excited sports teletalk; good. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 1089 UNITED KINGDOM Talk Sport synchros, APR 2 0024 talk about distortion of the facts by the news media. [Connelly\*O-MA]
  - + APR 16 0001 interview with a woman having a Caribbean accent; poor to fair. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 1098 SLOVAKIA Slovensky Rozhlas, Nitra, APR 16 0012 Slavic talk by man; good. Croatia-1134 was also loud at the time. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 1098 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, APR 2 0021 // 1107 with travel-related Spanish talk, then rock music; strong, over growl.

  [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1107 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, APR 2 0014 // 855 with dance-club female vocal with drums & flutes; good. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 1116 SPAIN SER synchros, APR 2 0013 SER Spanish newstalk by man & woman; to strong peak. [Connelly\*R-MA]
- 1125 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, APR 2 0012 two Spanish announcers; over Croatia and WBBR slop. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1134 CROATIA HR, Zadar, APR 2 0010 old-fashioned C&W influenced Slavic female vocal ballad, then a similar ballad by a man; strong, well over Spain. [Connelly\*0-MA]
  - + APR 15 2334 Slav rock vocal; to fair peak over Spain. This became much stronger later on. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 1152 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, AFR 2 0027 // 855 with dance-soul female vocal; good over WAMG slop. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 1179 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN SER synchros, APR 2 0004 Spanish news by woman; over others. [Connelly\*0-MA]
  - + APR 16 0004 SER network news by man & woman; fair with WHAM phased. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 1197 unID APR 1 2346 "Desert Rose" by Sting, then unfamiliar language talk (perhaps Basque from Spain); initially loud. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 1206 ISRAEL(t) Kol Israel Reshet Bet, Haifa, APR 2 0026 apparent
  Hebrew teletalk show, poor. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1215 SPAIN COPE synchros, APR 2 0002 woman with Spanish news interview; good. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1215 UNITED KINGDOM Virgin R. synchros, APR 16 0005 Sting vocal; to fair peak. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 1251 LIBYA Tripoli, APR 1 2339 monotone Arabic talk by man, low fidelity telephone-type audio; good strength signal. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1287 SPAIN SER synchros, APR 1 2336 // 1575 with soft-rock vocal, then woman talking on the telephone; poor.
  [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1296 SPAIN COPE, Valencia, APR 1 2335 Spanish discussion; fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1359 SPAIN Arganda, APR 1 2331 rapid-fire Spanish news; to good peak. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1385.92 GUINEA Labe, APR 1 2328 African shouting vocal; poor.
  [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1413 SPAIN RNE5 synchros, APR 1 2324 Spanish talk; poor in CIGO slop. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1422 GERMANY DeutschlandRadio, Heusweiler, APR 1 2321 // 756 with woman in German; to good peak over probable Algeria.
  [Connelly\*0-MA]
- + APR 16 0009 symphonic music; poor to fair. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 1485 SPAIN SER synchros, APR 1 2320 bit of music, then fast

Spanish talk // 1575; fair. [Connelly\*O-MA]

1502 ANGOLA E.P. de Benguela, APR 1 2318 - muffled Portuguese talk; poor with het from 1503 and some WTOP / WFIF - 1500 slop. [Connelly\*0-MA]

1521 SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA, Duba, APR 15 2200 - het fade-up more than an hour before sunset.

+ APR 15 2228 - Arabic male vocal, drums, strings; good.
[Connelly\*D-MA]

- 1521 SPAIN SER, Castellon, APR 1 2305 Spanish news by woman; over others. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1530 VATICAN Vatican R., APR 1 2336 classical music; way over WDJZ. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 1557 FRANCE R. Bleue, Nice, APR 1 2315 sentimental French male vocal and piano; good with WQEW phased. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 1575 SPAIN SER synchros, APR 1 2310 Spanish teletalk, into segment of dance club instrumental. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1583.6 CRUTA Radiole, APR 1 2312 off-channel again: operaticstyle Spanish vocal; only fair at first, then it got stronger. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 1584 SPAIN SER synchros, APR 1 2312 SER Spanish news by woman; hammered by Ceuta het / slop. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1602 SPAIN EI, Vitoria, APR 1 2313 slow Spanish talk by man; over SER station. [Connelly\*0-MA]

#### \*\*\* PAN-AMERICAN DX \*\*\*

- 530 TURKS & CAICOS R. Vision Cristiana, APR 8 0059 Spanish folk-style religious vocal; local-like. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 540 MEXICO XEWA, San Luis Potosi Monterrey, APR 8 1023 // 900 with male Spanish ballad; poor, mixed with WQTM/WLUX.
  [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 555 ST. KITTS & NEVIS ZIZ, Basseterre, APR 8 0134 local events talkshow; to good peak. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 570 CUBA R. Reloj, APR 8 0135 Spanish news by man & woman, clock ticks; mixed with WMCA. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 600 CUBA R. Rebelde, CMKV, Urbano Noris, APR 8 0058 outdoor Spanish speeches and march music // 620, 1180, et al. Good signal, over growl from HJHJ and/or YVQB. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 620 CUBA R. Rebelde, Colon / Moa, APR 8 0057 speeches and march music // 1180; over WZON and a big het from Canaries-621.

  [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 640 CUBA R. Progreso, Guanabacoa / Las Tunas, APR 8 0056 locallike with Spanish female dance-club vocal // 690.
  - + APR 8 1035 Habana news, still dominant at this late time.
    [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 690 ANGUILLA Caribbean Beacon, The Valley, APR 2 0051 preacher // 6090; over Latin Americans. [Connelly\*0-MA]
- 690 CUBA R. Progreso, Jovellanos, APR 8 0056 hot tropical dance music // 640; atop Anguilla. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 730 MEXICO XEX, Mexico City, APR 8 1008 plaintive nortena / ranchera vocal, La Equis mention, then into romantic ballad; to good peak. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 780 BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS ZBVI, Roadtown, Tortola, APR 8 0055 soca music with a James Brown influenced vocal; good, well over CFDR & R. Coro. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 810 BAHAMAS ZNS3, Freeport, APR 8 0053 local Caribbean-accented talkshow mentioning a seminar on creating wealth in the Bahamas; loud, dominant over Colombia and others.

  [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 820 unID (presumed CUBA) APR 8 0100 huge jamming /buzzing signal here; totally trashing WNYC. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

- 830 ST. KITTS & NEVIS TBN, Basseterre, APR 8 0100 religious program "Around the World"; atop WCRN / R. Reloj. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 840 CUBA CMHW, Santa Clara, APR 8 0101 festive Cuban music; excellent, one of the strongest signals on the dial during auroral conditions.
  - + APR 8 1014 Spanish news items about Santa Clara. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 895 ST. KITTS & NEVIS VON, Bath Village, APR 2 0038 mellow soul vocal; excellent. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 900 MEXICO XEW, Mexico City, APR 8 1023 // 540 with male Spanish ballad; briefly good before fading under the Maine daytimer. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 940 unID (CUBA?) APR 8 1020 jamming-type signal; atop XEQ. I'm not sure if XEQ or something else is the intended jamming target. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 960 CUBA R. Reloj, APR 8 0049 Reloj time and news show; good, dominant. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 1100 ANTIGUA R. ZDK, St. John's, APR 2 0018 female reggae vocal, then a somewhat Caribbean style group vocal version of Cher's "Believe"; good at first, then dipping under Spain-1098 slop during fades. [Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1110 VENEZUELA R. Carupano, YVQT, Carupano, APR 8 0045 highenergy Latin American disco blasting over WBT.[Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 1180 CUBA R. Rebelde, APR 8 0057 // 620 with outdoor speech, then marching band music; excellent. [Connelly\*Y-MA] 1280 BERMUDA VSB2, Hamilton, APR 1 2337 - religious program
- 1280 BERMUDA VSB2, Hamilton, APR 1 2337 religious program emphasizing kindness, humility, and being a virgin before marriage excellent signal over WADO/WFAU/WEIM.[Connelly\*O-MA]
- 1375.02 ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON RFO, APR 1 2330 male "lounge" type slow vocal and piano; excellent. [Connelly\*O-MA]
  - + APR 15 2316 jazz club type female vocal and guitar; good. [Connelly\*D-MA]
- 1429.3 unID APR 8 0136 weak het against domestics, probably the same thing noted on 1429.13 in December. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 1540 BAHAMAS ZNS1, Nassau, APR 8 0030 Caribbean English preacher; slightly under WPTR. Conditions were auroral at the time. [Connelly\*Y-MA]
- 1630 ARGENTINA R. Red 92, Buenos Aires, APR 8 0039 Spanish talk with Buenos Aires mention, then Randy Newman song "You Can Leave Your Hat On"; to fair peaks, though weak most of the time. "X-band" domestics were generally suppressed by aurora. [Connelly\*Y-MA]

# WESTERN DX FORUM

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[4/8] Hello. Am at work listening to AM 1540 One on One Sports, which changed call 12A today to a historic well known LA call - KMPC. This per article in LA Times sports. Called them at present local office 818 535 1877 (marketing) to inquire - no studio there or anywhere except I think at trans. in El Sereno, where (I believe) are carts for local related IDs, promos, etc. I read that later on, months away, is a move to Santa Monica area. Am hoping to acquire old (current) promo items. I foresee much discarding due to call change - new forms, letterhead, cards, etc. Present GM is Nancy Cole, a veteran of LA radio. Now, I've heard and read on April 26, Art Bell will do his last program and be replaced by someone else.

Rollye James, Whitley Stricher and Mike Seigel have subbed. Tonight is a discussion on privacy and computers - real interesting. Mentioned a movie called the Paper Man about manipulating Internet to get even with someone. I see positive and negative reasons to have a computer on line - so far, no one can hack me since not on line. Seems NSA can read all e mails by computers. Pretty scary. Are we headed for "slavery"? Heard some unofficial information on new 1500 XR site. Hope it happens. Oh - on KMPC, I see in '99 NRC log, its been in Abeline TX and mentioned it to person I spoke to at 1540. Article says when 710 went to KDIS, KMPC call was 'retired'. LA Times story also spoke of 1150 and 640 here, possibly switching calls/formats. 73

[4/11] Hello again. Per a call to Lilana of KMPC 1540, they'll move weekend of Apr 15-16 to 2800 28th St #133, Santa Monica CA 90404. Phone 310 452 7100. Nancy Cole is GM + VP. Am attempting to obtain some sales/promo items prior to move. Remember to vote for TVA and Heald award. Also keep the editors busy with loggings, tips and forums. 73

[4/19] I've found out 1500 CP won't use Baldwin Hills for XR. Unsure where it will be. Early this morning - 1 AM - I drove east into San Gabriel Valley and completely around perimeter streets at 1150/1020 XR site in industry. I then decided to go out Walnut Way and passed very close to KMRB 900 site NE of Workman H.S. As I drove, I DXed some on car radio. 1220 KWPA was faint w/SS, while 1600 KMNY had on sort of standards/jazz style music. I decided to go out that way and passed former 1220 XR site street, Phillips, on way to 1600. No cars or activity around their bldg - then passed 1220 site on Riverside Dr., Chino. I then was tuning top of dial and heard very good music and jingles from KIKA 1510. So that's where I went, to see if Haven Ave. bldg was still used. Yes, it's got call letters in front w/a promo van w/call, freq. on sides. It's at 9485 Haven, Ontario CA. And ph. is 909 483 1500. I also went by their 4-tower site 8729 E 9th, Rancho Cucamonga, W. of Vinyard. No cars in lot. Called later in day to KIKA but voice mail picked up. Left message I really liked format. Nothing new heard in Inland Empire areas, of AMs around San Bernardino, Riverside. In verie column last issue, 1197, KAVL is 348 E Av K-4, Lancaster. XR is 2501 W Av ] Lancaster. Ofc # 661 942 1121. 73. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# EASTERN DX FORUM

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Well, the new millennium has sure started out crappy around here. In addition to an extended bout with the flu and weeks of dental surgery on my part, my wife goes and has a brain hemorrhage. After two brain surgeries, she is doing much better now (thanks for the cards and emails expressing sympathy). I, however, have decided to postpone the release of the Quantum Phaser and Quantum Loop Pro until next season (since this season is just about over). The final straw leading to this decision was the long-awaited arrival of the circuit boards for the Quantum Phaser (ordered in October, delivered in April). The best part is that the boards that were delivered were half the physical size of the camera-ready artwork I supplied! Jeez, I cannot believe the problems I have with suppliers...now I have to try to either get them remade or seek a refund. Enough whining and personal stuff.... On the radio front, for the past few

weeks I have been in possession of the new Palstar R30 receiver and am in the process of writing a review...it should be in this issue or the next. In a nutshell, it is a very well made, no frills receiver with excellent sensitivity and great audio. I am comparing it to the Drake R-8 and the Japan Radio 535D and it is doing quite well. Last night (4/20) I was checking it out on the tropical bands and tuned past 2480 kHz where I heard oldies music being played. first I thought it was an image, but a check with the R-8 and 535D also revealed the station. A new LA playing American oldies? Then the English-speaking DJ comes on and says "This is K-D-G-O, Durango". It turns out that it was a harmonic of KDGO, Durango, CO, 1240 kHz! Signal was weak, but easily readable...maybe my luck is 73s..GT (Gerry, we used to have a member whose main turning, hi. interest was chasing the harmonics. I cannot remember his name, however. It has been quite a few years now--rce)

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Last week (10 April) was a pretty good radio week for me. Got the long awaited WTIR-1680 verification. Well worth the 6 month wait. Heard WTAW-1620 and KRZI-1660 too. Have now heard 24 x-band stations and verified 21. Not counting the Carib. Beacon, KTRK, a couple experimentals, pirates and TIS/HAR. Weather was nice so I put up my new short - longwire. Can't see well enough to do a good job of soldering anymore but the sloppy work seems to perform OK. Sent out a few follow-ups to reception reports I had had no response from. I have not done very many of those. Just write the station off unless it is to die for. At that, I got one two years later when a new engineer decided to answer all the reception reports left by the previous engineer. Ah well, hope the Easter Bunny laid a nice DX egg for each of you. Best wishes for summer. Col. DX PS: (17 April) QSL card in one week from WTAW-1620. Maybe another good radio week!

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A few notes since I am typing the column on Sunday night this week, instead of the late Monday night/Tuesday mornings which were common this year (which meant I was tired from a normal 10-11 hour worknight). In a personal note, Col. DX said he hoped we were enjoying Indy. While it is a nice place and I am finding it easier to get around in than I had thought I would, my personal feeling is that no town should be allowed (by law) to be larger than 2000 That is a personal preference. So, I wound up in the 13th largest city in the country. I have also lived in the 19th largest city (Milwaukee) and in the suburbs of what was then the 2nd and 4th largest cities (Chicago and Philadelphia). I have done some listening this year. Nothing I consider really fantastic. I keep bumping into those blasted Indiana stations which I had never heard before from other locations. I did heard the test from WELC-1150 Welch, WV. Looking at the map, I discovered it was not that far from where my grandmother grew up so I dropped them a note at their website. I did not bother to send a written note since I tuned in for only the last two minutes of the test, when they gave their ID and their Internet address. A week later, I received a certificate in the e-mail for my reception -- a first for me. I commented in my note to them that I would not have had their website address had they not mentioned it in their ID. Frank Merrill stopped by here for a few hours on Friday 4/21. Good to see him again after almost three years. We were discussing the state of the hobby and why it seems so hard to put big numbers in the logbooks these days when I

happened to remember that in the old days of, perhaps, 20-30 years ago, there were so many stations signing off at their local sunsets and also running many more equipment tests and frequency checks than are necessary these days. I am now up to 131 heard. 73. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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FREO CALL NAME, TITLE; ADDRESS; WHAT; WHEN; WHO

600 KVNA Dave Wilson, PD; 2690 E Huntington Dr. Flagstaff AZ 86004; L: 6; PM

630 KHOW Jan Chadwell, CE; 4695 S Monaco St. Denver CO 80237; L. 22f; PM

750 CJVR Bayne Opseth, CE; Box 750, Melfort SK SOE 1A0; L; 400f.

840 TIS Kim Tam, Electrical Op; Cal Trans; 111 Grand Ave, Oakland CA 94612; P; 3; GVJ [Gary received 3 veries on the same day for 3 separate Cal Trans TIS stations: WPEI434, Martinez CA, and WPBW809, used for both Cordelia CA and Benicia CAl

KHAC Jerry Wagnu (?); P O Box 9090, Window Rock AZ QB; 21; PM [My guess on the last name of the signer would be Wagner (SSH)]

930 KRKY M R Murray, GM; P O Box 999, Dillion CO 80435; L; 26; PM

960 KNDN Wilbert Begay, PD; 1515 West Main, Farmington NM 87401-3896; LB+; 14; NP

1100 KFNX Matt Batteglia, OpsMgr; 5227 E 7th St, Phoenix AZ 85014; L; 6f; PM

1140 KSFN (Illegible); 6655 W Sahara, Suite D-208, Las Vegas NV 89146; P; 28; PM

1230 Greg Belfrage, PD; 500 S Phillips Ave, Sioux Falls SD KWSN 57104-6825; L; 14; NP

1240 KOEN Autumn Martin, Dir of Public Rel; P O Box 5180, Roseburg OR 97470; F+; 14; NP

1330 KJLL Donald Wiggins, GM; 4320 N Campbell, #234, Tucson AZ 85718; L; 7; PM

1340 KPGE Wildman Juan Rivera, PD; P O Box 1030, Page AZ 86040; LB; 30; PM

Angela Evans (?); The Camelback Esplanade, 2425 East 1360 KPXQ Camelback Rd, #570, Phoenix AZ 85016; F; 14; NP

Jennifer Casey, Morning Show Producer; 1615 Central Ave. 1400 KRLN Canon City CO 81212; L; 14; NP Blaine Kimball, GM; 500 E Tylet Pkwy, Payson AZ 85541;

1420 KMOG L; 31; PM

[None]; 4343 Camelback Rd, #200, Phoenix AZ 85018; LB+ 1440 KSLX 28; PM

1450 CHOR Allan Gee; Box 170, Summerland BC VOH 120; L; 9; NF 1620 WTAW [None]; 2700 Earl Rudder Freeway South, College Station

TX 77845; Q; 25; PM

1680 WTIR\* [Illegible], CE; 301 Plymouth Dr NE, Dalton GA 30721-9983;

> cf; 215; PM cf; 202; JCJ cf; 240; GVJ

Merrill Isaacson, CE; cf; 210; PT

1700 KQXX Sandra Conche; 1050 Macintosh St, Brownsville TX 78521; PB: 365ffffffff; GVJ

WHAT was received: L = Letter with personalized statement; F = Form letter; Q = QSL card, commercially printed; C = Postcard or similar card supplied by station; P = Prepared card supplied by DXer; R = DXer's report returned with statement; cf = Certificate; E = Verification by e-mail; fx = Verification by FAX; M = Coverage map; B = Bumper or other sticker; bc = Business card; + = Extra goodies WHEN the reply came: Number of days elapsed; f = Follow-up, by mail, FAX, e-mail, or visit; n = Return postage not used; r = Return postage returned

NOTES: \* [for this column] = See comment below

Gary mentions that he has now verified all X-band stations. Congrats, Gary! The signer and address for WTIR-1680 that Patrick and John report this month are both different from those reported by Gary in the February column. John mentions that he sent his WTIR reception report originally to Rama Communications, Inc., P O Box 680889, Orlando FL 32868-0889. Pete Taylor then sent in a tip concerning WTIR-1680 and mentioned that because the signer's name was illegible he called the station. He was told that the signer is Merrill Isaacson, CE, and that he signs the certificates M. Isaacson. Pete had originally sent his WTIR reception report to Mike Singer, PD at P O Box 149161, Orlando FL 32814-9161. Recommendation: Send WTIR reports to Merrill Isaacson, CE, at the Dalton GA address. This column was prepared on 4/25/00. 73,

#### X-BAND

Pat Martin sends us the following on April 24, 2000:

Here is the latest X Band list this time including QSLs received from DXers.

Q-card, L-letter, P-prepared card, C-certificate, E- E Mail

1620

WPHG-AL, Atmore-Gospel-24hr-Q/L

KSMH-CA, Auburn-Rel.-24hr-L

WHLY-IN, South Bend -NOS-24hr-L

KAZP-NE, Bellevue-SPT-24hr-L

WTAW-TX, College Station-TLK-24hr

KYIZ-WA, Renton-UC-24hr-L

1630

KCJJ-IA, Iowa City-AC-24hr-E/P

KKWY-WY, Fox Farm-C&W-Q/E XEUT-BCN, Tijuana-JZ-Daytime KDIA-CA, Vallejo-REL-24hr-Q/L/P

KPBC-OR, Lake Oswego-REL-L

WKSH-WI, Sussex -REL-24hr-L

1650

KGXL-CA, Torrance-JZ-24hr-Q/L/P

KBDJ-CO, Denver-REL-AC-24hr

KDNZ-IA, Cedar Falls-NX/TLK-24hr-E/L

WHKT-VA, Portsmouth-REL-C

1660

WMIB-FL, Marco-NOS-24hr-Q/L/P/E

WQSN-MI, Kalamazoo-SPT-24hr-E/L/P

WWRU-NJ, Elizabeth-SS/ETH-24hr-L/P

KRZX-TX, Waco-NX/TLK-L

KXOL-UT, Brigham City-OLD-24hr-L/E/P

1670

WRNC-GA, Warner Robins-C&W-24hr-L

WTDY-WI, Madison-TLK/SPT-24hr-L/P/E

1680

WTIR-FL, Winter Garden-TIS-24hr-C

WJNZ-MI, Ada-UC-24hr-C/L

WTTM-NJ, Princeton-NX/BIZ/SPT-24hr-L

1690

KDDZ-CO, Arvada-KID-24hr-L

WPTX-MD, Lexington Pk-TLK/SPT-24hr-L

1700

WAFN-FL, Miami Sprs-SPT-24hr-L/P

KBGG-IA, Des Moines-CNN NX-24hr-L

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KQXX-TX, Brownsville-SS-24hr-P

KTBK-TX, Sherman-SPT-24hr-L

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# IRCA MEMBERS

Recently Harold Ort, editor of Popular Communications Magazine, asked me to edit a utility radio column for him. Beginning with the June issue, a new column called "Utility Radio Review" will appear in the magazine, which I will be responsible for. The column will cover news, information and events taking place in the utility radio service that are found between 30 kHz-30 MHz.

The new column will be reader oriented, and written with the beginner and intermediate radio monitor in mind. It will emphasize a "how-to" approach when monitoring topics are covered. The primary aim of the column will be to help people enjoy the hobby by assisting them in finding hot frequencies and providing the background information they need in order to appreciate what they hear when monitoring.

The secondary aim will be to guide the reader to groups, organizations and resources that will help them improve their monitoring skills. This will include references to clubs, WebPages and monitoring publications, as well as information on monitoring equipment and their manufacturers.

The advanced and master monitor of utility radio services will not be forgotten, as their skills and knowledge will be welcome through their contributions. I also hope to profile hobbyist who has been very successful in their monitoring practice in the column.

At this time I am looking for those who are dedicated to monitoring utility stations to help make the column a success for the readers of Popular Communications Magazine. I welcome logs, news, and other contributions about utility radio. These contributions can be emailed to me at:

ur-review@provcomm.net I can also be contacted via my webpage at:http://www.provcomm.net/pages/joe

Please note that contributions on European, Asian and South American topics are particularly welcome. Radio monitoring is a world wide activity, and while Popular Communications magazine is primarily distributed in the United States, its perspective is not limited to North America. I would greatly appreciate news, logs and product information from you, and all contributions are credited as well.

I have setup a dedicated area on my webpage for the Utility Radio Review column. It includes an outline of the content of the column, as well as a mission statement that defines the column's purpose and goal. You will also find a list-serv discussion group there that is dedicated to utility radio and open to anyone who wishes to make a contribution. The webpage also contains a selection of past radio articles that I have written for Popular Communications and other magazines, along with information about myself.

If you feel that you can provide a contribution to the column through logs, information or news, I would be very grateful. If you have a webpage, I would also welcome having my homepage linked to yours. Likewise, if you were connected in anyway to a group or organization that monitors utility radio, I would appreciate you forwarding this request to others in the hobby.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read this message, and may all of your future monitoring activity be successful and enjoyable.

Yours truly, Joe Cooper, VE3FMQ

# GEOMAGNETIC INDICES

Geomagnetic Summary April 4 2000 through April 24 2000 phil bytheway - Seattle WA - fokker\_d8@yahoo.com Tabulated from email status daily

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| 4/4   | 207   | 23    | 3    | low-mod  | quiet-active     | - 8    |
|-------|-------|-------|------|----------|------------------|--------|
| 5     | 174   | 9     | 1    | low-mod  | quiet-unsettled  | - 5    |
| 6     | 178   | 30    | 5    | low-mod  | active-mas       | - 10   |
| 7     | 175   | 51    | 3    | low      | quiet-unsettled  | - 7    |
| 8     | 182   | 13    | 3    | low-mod  | unsettled        | - 6    |
| 9     | 175   | 10    | 3    | low-mod  | quiet-unsettled  | - 9    |
| 10    | 176   | 12    | 2    | moderate | quiet-unsettled  | - 7    |
| 11    | 182   | 11    | 2    | low-mod  | unsettled-active | - 8    |
| 12    | 173   | 7     | 1    | low-mod  | quiet-unsettled  | - 6    |
| 13    | 164   | 3     | 0    | low-mod  | quiet-unsettled  | - 4    |
| 14    | 165   | 4     | 2    | low      | quiet-unsettled  | - 6    |
| 15    | 164   | 5     | 1    | low-mod  | quiet-active     | - 6    |
| 16    | 159   | 21    | 2    | low-mod  | unsettled-active | - 7    |
| 17    | 158   | 12    | 2    | low      | quiet-active     | - 6    |
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| 20    | 181   | 16    | 3    | low-mod  | quiet-active     | - 7    |
| 21    | 187   | 9     | 2    | low-mod  | quiet-active     | - 5    |
| 22    | 202   | 4     | 1    | low-mod  | quiet-unsettled  | - 4    |
| 23    | 206   | 7     | 1    | low-mod  | quiet-unsettled  | - 6    |
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