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This week, IRCA welcomes Herbert Newberry, Jr. of Milledgeville, GA back with us!!!

Bruce Portzer's Annual DX Get-Together

Hello Everyone. It's time for my annual DX Get-together. This year it will be on Saturday. February 25. beginning at 2 p.m. Here's a chance to meet other radio listeners and talk about hobby stuff - medium wave, SWBC, utility, TV/FM, or whatever flavor of listening you like to do.

Feel free to bring receivers, QSL cards, antennas, and other paraphernalia to show off or demonstrate. Please bring a potluck snack or something to drink. At dinner time, we'll pass the hat around and order some pizzas.

My address is 6546 19th Avenue N.E. in Seattle. It's not hard to find, since the streets are numbered and parallel around here. The following link may be helpful http://www.mapquest.com/ maps/map.adp?searchtype=address&country=US&addtohistory=&searchtab=home&formtype =address&popflag=0&latitude=&longitude=&name=&phone=&cat=&address=6546+19th+Aven ue+NE&city=&state=&zipcode=98115.

If you have questions or want to RSVP, my phone number is 206-522-2521. See you there. 73. Bruce

BROADCAST TEST COORDINATOR – DX TESTS

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	Daily 1/22-27/06	0300-0305 0100-0600	1620 730	WNAR WUMP	Lansdale PA Huntsville AL	(McCrork) (Shaftan)
*	1/22/06+	0400/0700	1550	кхто	Reno NV	(Walker)
*	1/29/06	0300-0400	1330	KKPZ	Portland OR	(Sanford)
*	1/29/06	0300-0400	1640	KDZR	Lake Oswego OR	(Sanford)
*	2/ 6/06	0200+	1030	KEVT	Cortaro AZ	(Lotsof)
*	2/12/06	0000-0100	730	WJTO	Bath ME	(Walker)

Thanks to the hard work of members like Mary Anne Sanford, Paul Walker and Rick Shaftan, we have

even more new DX Tests to announce. Latest additions include tests from Nevada and Maine, both prime targets for DX'ers.

For those who collect QSL's we've also got updated news on QSL's from the WVNN/WUMP Test. And in the next few days, we should have the details worked out on a test from KEVT, 1030khz in Cortaro, Arizona. They'll be doing a full power maintenance test on February 6th... this test is being arranged by IRCA member Paul Lotsof in conjunction with engineer Frank Luna. Look for more details on this test within the next couple of days.

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WNAR 1620 KHZ Lansdale, PA is still conducting a DAILY DX TEST at 0300 ELT. The test consists of code ID's between 0300 and 0305 and will continue until further notice. Reception reports with RETURN POSTAGE can be sent to David McCrork, WNAR-AM, Box 18, Tylersport PA 18971-0018. WNAR operates with a power of 100 MILLIWATTS! (The station was heard almost 5 miles from Lansdale on a recent trip to the area so it does get out very well).

PS: Web page at www.wnar-am.com has full station info.

WUMP 730khz Huntsville, AL DX Test. Date(s); January 22-27, 2006 (Late Sunday Night starts the test). Time: 23:59 CST-0500 CST (0559-1100 UTC). Spots will air at 1 minute prior to the TOH, 2nd spot will air each hour as close to the half hour as possible for the schedule. :60 Second long tests in duration. "Inventory Insert" format. Modes of Operation: Normal-"Inventory Insert" 129 Watts. Non-Directional. Programming: Morse Code ID's, Sweep Tones, Voice ID.

Notes: Reception reports are desired via e-mail (first choice) and snail mail (only if e-mail is not available) Station would prefer to received recordings of the test (MP3, CD, or cassette).

Submit reports to: bill.shrode@cumulus.com. Please also CC: fred.holland@cumulus.com. Please put "WUMP DX Test" in the subject line.

All standard mail reports should go to:

Bill Shrode 1717 Highway 72 E

Athens AL 35611

Thanks to Fred Holland, Bill Shrode and the staffs of WUMP for this test! Member Rick Shaftan arranged for this test and we're all very grateful.

KXTO 1550khz Reno, NV DX Test. Date(s): January 22, 2006-March 2006. Time: 01:00 PST (0900 UTC) & 04:00 PST (1200 UTC). ** Program format varies. Test will run as close to TOH as possible. :60 Second long tests in duration. "Inventory Insert" format. Modes of Operation: Normal-"Inventory Insert" 94 Watts, Non-Directional Programming: Morse Code ID's, Sweep Tones, Voice ID.

Notes: Test will continue for an undetermined amount of time, possibly several weeks so hopefully many DX'ers will find favorable propagation at least one or two nights prior to the end of the test. The station has also stated that they will be doing transmitter maintenance at some point within the next two months, and may be able to accommodate a full power (2.5KW) test at that time. More details as they become available. Nevada is a rare state for many of us in the East, so enjoy this rare chance!

Reception reports are desired via e-mail (first choice) and snail mail (only if e-mail is not available) Station would prefer to received recordings of the test (MP3, CD, or cassette).

Submit reports to: les@highnoonfilm.com. Please put "KXTO DX Test" in the subject line. All standard mail reports should go to:

Les Rayburn

High Noon Film

100 Centerview Drive Suite 111 Birmingham AL 35216

Thanks to Jose Pacheco, General Manager and the staff of KXTO for this test! Special thanks to member Paul Walker, Jr. who helped to arrange this test and is working with us to set up many more to come. http://www.walkerbroadcasting.com.

KKPZ 1330khz Maintenance Test. Date: January 29, 2006 (Late Sunday Night starts the test). Time: 0000-0100 PST (0800-0900 UTC) 1 Hour Duration Test. Modes of Operation: CW ID's 5KW, Non-Directional. On for one hour for transmitter testing only. Morse code and voice ID's.

Programming: KKPZ 1330 (also Located on Mt. Scott, Portland, OR) will be on non-directional (normally very directional to the NW days) with CW ID during the same time.

Reception Reports: Reception reports are desired via e-mail (first choice) and snail mail (only if email is not available) Station would prefer to received recordings of the test (MP3, CD, or cassette).

Submit reports to: les@highnoonfilm.com. Please put "KKPZ DX Test" in the subject line.

All standard mail reports should go to: Les Ravburn

High Noon Film

100 Centerview Drive Suite 111

Birmingham AL 35216

Notes: Special thanks to IRCA member Mary Anne Sanford, KE7CGZ for arranging this test!

KDZR 1640khz Lake Oswego, OR Maintenance Test, Date: January 29, 2006 (Late Sunday Night starts the test). Time: 0000-0100 PST (0800-0900 UTC) 1 Hour Duration Test. Modes of Operation: Normal Programming at Full Day Power/Pattern, 10KW, Non-Directional.

Programming: Station will conduct one hour at full power to test transmitter components. Station format is Radio Disney. No codes, tones, or other test signals will be transmitted. There will be some potential for confusion with WKSH 1640 in Sussex, WI who also runs Radio Disney format. DX'ers are encouraged to listen for local ads, and station ID "KDZR, Lake Oswego, Portland".

Reception Reports: Reception reports are desired via e-mail (first choice) and snail mail (only if email is not available) Station would prefer to received recordings of the test (MP3, CD, or cassette).

Submit reports to: les@highnoonfilm.com. Please put "KDŽR DX Test" in the subject line. All standard mail reports should go to:

Les Ravburn

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Birmingham AL 35216

Notes: Special thanks to IRCA member Mary Anne Sanford, KE7CGZ for arranging this test!

KEVT-1030 DX Test. Details: Test would be for a few hours starting at midnight mountain time on Feb 6. Station is KEVT-1030 licensed to Cortaro, Arizona which is about 20 miles north of Tucson. Station would be operating on day power of 10.000 watts and day pattern which you can find at the FCC web site. CE is Frank Luna. Frank says that he probably would not be permitted to alter the KEVT programming which is Mexican music with announcements in Spanish. Frank says he may be able to put a few English announcements on the air but he can't say so for sure. This station should get out at least as well as the 1/10 watt station in Pennsylvania. Not sure if KTWO ever has a silent period. WBZ probably doesn't.

WJTO 730khz Bath, Maine DX Test. Date: February 12, 2006 (Late Saturday Night-Early Sunday Morning). Time: Midnight to 01:00AM EST (0500-0600 UTC). Modes of Operation: 1KW, Non-Directional. Programming: Morse Code ID's, Sweep Tones, Voice ID.

Notes: Test will consist of a twenty minute audio CD prepared by the BTC. CD contains Morse Code ID's, phonetic voice ID's, various NRC Sweep Tones, etc.

Reception reports are desired via e-mail (first choice) and snail mail (only if e-mail is not available) Station would prefer to receive written reports only. No cassettes or recordings needed.

Submit reports to: Jibguy@aol.com. Please put "WJTO DX Test" in the subject line.

All standard mail reports should go to:

WJTO Radio 730

P O Box 308

Bath ME 04530

Thanks to Bob Bittner for this test! Special thanks to member Paul Walker, Jr. who helped to arrange this test and is working with us to set up many more to come. http://www.walkerbroadcasting.com.

WVNN and WUMP, Huntsville, AL are thrilled with the results so far of their "inventory insert" DX Test. They'd like to receive reception reports directly and will handle mailing out their own QSL cards from the event.

If you have already e-mailed a report to me, please resend it to the e-mail addresses listed for WUMP. If you have mailed a written report to me, it will be forwarded to the station, and you need do nothing else.

If you desire a printed QSL card, you must send along an SASE with proper postage. Please be patient with their response, as it may take four to six weeks. Again, all our thanks to Fred Holland, Bill Shrode, and member Rick Shaftan for this test.

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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WDXR DEADLINES: Each Friday. Please use Eastern Time.

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- (RW) Richard E. Wood-HC 3, Box 11087-Keaau, HI 96749
- 640 KYUK <u>AK</u>, Bethel 1/19 good with KFI phased, NPR news at 0502, 0506 "That's the news from NPR and KYUK," weather for Alaska, gave many locations in Alaska, tides, etc, then banjo music and into "If I Fell" by The Beatles. (PM-OR)

- 650 WSM TN, Nashville 1/20 0451 noted with back to back country music, "650 AM WSM," competition from KSTE & CKOM. New. (DP-OR)
- 690 CBKF-1 <u>SK</u>, Gravelbourg 1/14 0230 French R-C1 Premiere Chaine talk in local KRCO dead air. (DW-OR)
- 740 KTRH <u>TX</u>, Houston 1/10 2300 "Newsradio 740, KTRH," news, 2302 again ID "Newsradio 740," news of city hall, local sports, TX comments on Samuel Alito, "When news breaks, Newsradio 740 KTRH," good. (RW-HI)
 - CHWO <u>ON</u>, Toronto 1/14 really quite good at 0345 with pop and NOS, "AM 740" jingle and "Prime Time Radio, AM 740" ID's. This one is really getting common of late. A bit of CBX QRM, with KCBS phased. 1/19 0445 heard once again fair-good with KCBS phased with Adult Standards and several "Prime Time Radio" ID's. (PM-OR) +1/18 0200 "The all night jukebox is loaded up with your all time favourites, we are AM
 - 740 Toronto." (DW-OR)
- 750 KFQD <u>AK</u>, Anchorage 1/14 fair mixing with KXL with CBS news at 0502, 0505 weather for the Matsu Valley, lows at zero, highs in the teens. 1/19 2205 totally dominant over everything including KXL Portland with simulcast of KTUU 2 news, lots of Anchorage spots, info on Alaskans killed in Iraq. The best I have heard them in some time. No phasing needed, dominant off WNW EWE. (PM-OR)
 - KHWG <u>NV</u>, Fallon 1/16 0336 ID with "K-H-W-G and --- to the pavement" and C&W song weak under KXL/KOAL. (BP-CA)
 - CKJH SK, Melfort 1/13 2230 Melfort Mustangs hockey. (DW-OR)
- 780 KNOM <u>AK</u>, Nome 1/12 0358 no KKOH, instrumental music into top of the hour legal ID then news & weather. Poor to fair. (DR-OR)
 - ?KNOM?+1/12 0330 presumed based on e-mail contact with station, variety of music (country, Top 40, Christian, AC) & inspirational messages. KKOH off the air. (DW-OR)
 - WBBM IL, Chicago 1/12 0250 no KKOH, very good signal at time with "WBBM Newsradio 780" into weather. (DR-OR)
 - +1/19 0406 fair with splash from local KWIL-790. KKOH off and on for maintenance (as stated by announcer), constant news, traffic, weather and ID's from this all news station. New. (DP-OR)
- 790 KFPT CA, Fresno 1/12 0448 with Randi Rhodes program into ID. (DR-OR)
- 810 WGY <u>NY</u>, Schenectady 1/19 0130 Coast to Coast AM break, "Newstalk Radio 810 WGY," ad for "Fox 23," WXXA under KGO's Bernie Ward, who pauses a lot while talking. (DW-OR)
- 820 WBAP <u>TX</u>, Ft. Worth 1/12 0105 ID "Newstalk 8-20 WBAP" into talk, interviewed lawyer on Alito nomination, 0133 weather. (RW-HI)
 - KUTR UT, Taylorsville 1/9 1915 "KUTR Taylorsville-Provo-Salt Lake City." (DW-OR)
- 840 WHAS TN, Louisville 1/12 0100 news, 0105 singing ID "WHAS," music, good alongside local KHLO-850. (RW-HI)
- 860 ?CJBC? <u>ON</u>, Toronto 1/16 0230 presumed, French talk/music (R-C Priemere Chaine), at same time as 2nd French talk/music (CBKF-2?). (DW-OR)
- ?CBKF-2? <u>SK</u>, Saskatoon 1/16 0230 presumed, French talk/music (R-C Premiere Chaine), at same time as 2nd French talk/music (CJBC?). (DW-OR)
- WWL LA, New Orleans 1/11 0406 several ID's heard, loud. (DR-OR)
 +1/13 0030 Coast to Coast with George Norry. Mostly fair with good signal at times over unID Spanish speaker. Heard often this season. (GH-OR)
- 880 KKMC <u>CA</u>, Gonzales 1/2 0100 ID "This is KKMC, Christian Radio for Central Coast California" into syndicated program with Dr. Donald Gray Barnhart; very good over KRVN. (RW-HI)
 - KCMX <u>OR</u>, Phoenix 1/4 0005 "Newstalk 880 KCMX" ID into Clark Howard Show. Fighting with KIXI, this 1000 watter is heard occasionally. Very weak on R-388 with E-W wire. (GH-OR)
- 920 KIHM <u>NV</u>, Reno 1/9 0259 good with mention of local business supporter into ID, EWTN. (DR-OR)
- 960 KALE WA, Richland 1/7 0100 ESPN sports talk and rare ID at top of the hour. Fair with fast fades alone in the static. Second new station in 2 nights! SP-600 with E-W wire. (GH-OR)
- 1020 KDKA <u>PA</u>, Pittsburgh 1/16 0215 UPMC Health Plans ad, "Newstalk Radio 1020 KDKA," also later with "World of Wheels" car show ad. (DW-OR)
 - +1/19 0114 fair under KXYE Spanish music. Heard call letters twice within a few seconds and mention of Pittsburgh, "Newstalk 1020 KDKA." New. (DP-OR)
- 1070 KVKK <u>MN</u>, Verndale 1/14 fairly good at times with C&W music "True Country" slogans, partial ID heard at 0259:50 as "..VK," but buried by CFAX and some other station, KNX phased. New for me. Now to catch them again better so I can send them a report. Thanks to KAZ and Steve Ratzlaff for their help. (PM-OR)

- 1080 KRLD <u>TX</u>, Dallas 1/18 0118 ads, "This is newsradio 10-80 KRLD," Texas Overnight program with Charley Jones, local news, traffic and weather at 0130. Poor with fading and sideband splash from KNX-1070 and XEPRS-1090. (MF-CA)
 - KSLL UT, Price 1/15 1845 "Carbon County's Favorite Breakfast, Farlaino's, W. Main Street, Price." (DW-OR)
- 1100 KNZZ CO, Grand Junction 1/15 1850 Cal Thomas minute, "Your Newstalk Superstation, 1100 KNZZ." (DW-OR)
 - WTAM <u>OH</u>, Cleveland 1/13 1930 Sheriffs of Northern Ohio Crime Stoppers promo, wtam.com mentions. (DW-OR)
- 1110 KAGV <u>AK</u>, Big Lake 1/14 0515 mixing with KBND once again with soft Christian music, male announcer "KAGV, Alaska's Gospel Voice." (PM-OR)
- 1120 KMOX MO, St. Louis 1/18 0215 tail end of a "314" area code ad, ad for Washington University St. Louis, KMOX call. (DW-OR)
- 1150 KTLK <u>CA</u>, Los Ángeles 1/11 2200 ID "This is L.Á.'s progressive talk, KTLK," into news, item on S. Alito; very good. (RW-HI)
- 1190 KEX <u>OR</u>, Portland 1/15 0553 "Coast to Coast" with Ian Punnett, seven seconds behind KAOI-1110/KPNW-1120; ID "11-90 KEX Portland," PSA, slogan "Your home for the Beavers and Portland's ?, KEX," Crimestoppers segment, PSA, ID "Now in-depth news coverage on the Big One, Newsradio 11-90 KEX Portland, Vancouver, Salem" into brief weathercast and ABC-D news, local news at 0602. Poor to good. (5P-HI)
 - CFSL <u>SK</u>, Weyburn 1/18 1800 country music followed by "Your source for news, weather and sports CFSL," news at top of the hour in KEX null, almost 2 hours before local sunset. (DW-OR)
- 1210 KGYN <u>OK</u>, Guymon 1/11 2208 as "The best location in Guymon, Oklahoma... store in Guymon." Honolulu mostly skipped out, good. (RW-HI)
- 1230 KOZI <u>WÁ</u>, Chelan 1/12 0100 male gave ID into CNN news. Dominant in the jumble for a moment or two with a long period of dead air, on R-388 with E-W wire. (GH-OR)
- 1240 KCVL WA, Colville 1/5 0100 ID, news and weather report in the jumble with weak signal. I don't hear this graveyarder very often, last heard 9/04. SP600 on N-S wire. (GH-OR)
- 1320 KCTC <u>CA</u>, Sacramento 1/8 2315 crystal clear signal, ad for "My Computer" into talk program, soon lost to unID. Not heard for a while. R-390A on N-S wire. (GH-OR)
- 1370 KSOP UT, South Salt Lake City 1/15 2248 "The legends live on Gold Country 1370." (DW-OR)
- 1400 KLCK WA, Goldendale 1/15 2201 ID as "Classic Oldies Station 1400 KLCK." (DR-OR)
- 1410 KMCY CA, Marysville 1/10 0300 top of hour ID "KMCY Marysville, it's 12 midnight." (DR-OR) CFUN BC, Vancouver 1/11 2155 ID "You're listening to the Dr. Laura station, 14-10 CFUN
- Vancouver," anti-smoking PSA. Very good. (RW-HI) 1430 KLO <u>UT, Og</u>den 1/18 0004 tuned in to USA <u>Radio</u> Network news, weather, "AM 14-30
- KLO" ID, into talk program but lost to KFIG. (MF-CA) KBKW WA, Aberdeen 1/6 0030 male gave ID into news, way far out in a mix of at least 2
- others, intelligible for only a moment. New using Drake with Sanserino loop. (GH-OR) 1490 KZZZ AZ, Bullhead City 1/16 0958 Bullhead City-Lake Havasu City weather. (DW-OR)
 - KYCA AZ, Prescott 1/5 0950 KYCA promo for America in the Morning by Jim Bohannon, ID "1490 News Talkradio KYCA," over KZZZ, KRKC, KWAC etc. (MS-CA)
 - KOMJ <u>NE</u>, Omaha 1/16 0958 regional weather for NE, Eastern NE, ending with local Omaha weather forecast. (DW-OR)
- 1560 KNZR <u>CA</u>, Bakersfield 1/6 0034 promo about internships at KNZR, website **www.knzr.com** and slogan "The Voice of Bakersfield," ad, before fading out. Fair to poor. (5P-HI1)
- 1570 KTGE <u>CA</u>, Salinas 12/23 2226 dominant with songs in Spanish, then slogan "Radio Tigre" (tiger growl), XERF & possibly KCVR also. (MS-CA)
- 1600 KCKK CO, Lakewood 1/14 0215 **16kicks.com** mention on ad for "My Local Realtor." (DW-OR)
- 1660 KQWB ND, West Fargo 1/14 0240 "Your Talk Station Talkradio 1660," Fargo weather. (DW-OR)
- 1690 KFSG <u>CA</u>, North Sacramento 12/23 2300 preacher in Spanish, Christmas carols and singing ID "KFSG North Sacramento" mixing with TIS at Cal-State Long Beach. (MS-CA)
- UNID
- 1160 UNID 1/14 0225 station playing oldies way under KSL with Bernadette by The 4 Tops from 1965, but way too weak to ID. Ideas? Not // to Radio Disney, so not San Antonio. (PM-OR)

My apologies to Richard, as his 1230 KDAC tip in the Jan. 14 DXM should have read "La Maquina Musical." Also, the calls for Detroit on 760 are WJR. Nancy $1/20\ 2100$



EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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LOGGINGS

540	PA	WWCS	Canonsburg 2015 01/10 Radio Disney, and "Who let the dogs out." On top of WFLF.
550	ОН	WKRC	Cincinnati 1-10 1752 Station promo; ID. (WM-MD)
560	FL	WQAM	Miami 1-10 2300 Promo for Neil Rogares; ID. (WM-MD)
	ТΧ	KLVI	Beaumont 01/15 0032 Ad for the Bottom Line Radio Network and Coast To
			Coast AM with Ian Punnett. Weak, but steady signal "Newstalk 560, KLVI". (IEN-GA)
580	WV	WCHS	Charleston 2325 01/10 "The Voice of Charleston WCHS." (WM-TN)
610	ÖН	WTVN	Columbus 1-13 1725 Traffic rpt, ID. (WM-MD)
690	LA	WIST	New Orleans 01/17 2311 Jerry Doyle Talk Show. Good signal with a slight
700	NO		waver to it. "AM 690, WIST. New Orleans Fast talk". (IEN-GA)
720	NC	WGCR	Pisgah Forest 01/16 1555 USA Radio Network News, TOH ID & weather forecast. Good signal at times, only to fade and mix with WVCC in
			Hogansville, GA quite often. "You're listening to WGCR, AM 720, Pisgah
			Forest, North Carolina". (IEN-GA)
770	NC	WYHG	Young Harris 0645 01/06 Ad for 'The Embrodery Place' in Rockingham.
700	~	MOVI	(WM-TN)
790	GA	WQXI	Atlanta 1615 01/07 "FOX Sports radio for Atlanta and all of North Georgia, WQXI 790" Basketball scores. (WM-TN)
800	LA	WSHO	New Orleans 01/18 0000 Religious programming. Good signal at times with
			a slight chop to it and deep fades. "Sunshine 800" and "WSHO New
			Orleans." (IEN-GA)
810	AL	WCKS	Jacksonville 1648 01/08 "Classic country Alabama 810" C&W mx. Weather'
	MS	WSJC	Gadsden State College promo. (WM-TN) Magee 1750 01/02 3ABN radio program 'The Bible answer man with host
	ine		Doug Bachelor. ID at 1800. (WM-TN)
820	FL	WMGG	Largo 1-13 1730 SS Music hrd. (WM-MD)
860	KS	KKOW	Pittsburgh 1730 01/07 Promo for their web site KKOW.COM "20/20
			Weather on classic country 860 KKOW," Kansas BB coming up at TOH. Mixing with WAEC Atlanta." (WM-TN)
880	AR	KGHT	Sheridan 2215 - 2300 01/13 Lots of local Ads; ID as "This is Southern
			Gospel" Lots of southern gospel music in between the Local ads. (WM-TN)
890	VA	WKNV	Fairlawn 01/16 1723 Southern Gospel music and ads mentioning the
			Roanoke Valley. Station signed off at 1730. Good, steady signal. "Joy AM
910	ОН	WLTP	890, Fairlawn". (IEN-GA) Marietta 0206 01/17 Weather report for the 'valley' and at 0206 ID "Newstalk
510	011	**	910, WLTP" then back to Coast to Coast. Very strong for 44 watts at night.
			(WM-TN)
	OH	WLTP	Marietta 1-10 1700 Local Ads, "Talk Radio 910"; ID; NEW. (WM-MD)
	MS	WALT	Meridian 1900 01/10 "The news you want to hear is on WALT, Meridian."
	ΤN	WJCW	(WM-TN) Johnson City 01/16 1712 Local sports call-in show (Sportsline.) Good signal
	•••		only to fade into the mix. "AM 910, WJCW." (IEN-GA)
			1-10 1721 Local ads. (WM-MD)
930	ΤN	WWON	Waynesboro 2349 2-17 "Country legion, WWON" C&W mx. (WM-TN)

970	GA	WNIV	Atlanta 0800 01/21 "WNIV and WLTA, Atlanta, A service of Salem Communications." Christian News; ID; "Your listening to Christian talk,
	PA SC	WBGG WOXL	Atlanta's 970 and 1400, WNIV." (WM-TN) Pittsburgh 1-10 1815 "Pittsburgh's Fox Sports Radio." (WM-MD) Canton 0745 01/21 "970 WOXL, with the greatest hits of hits 60's 70's."
990	AL	WLDX	(WM-TN) Fayette 0847 01/21 "it's 13 minutes till 8 o'clock on WLDX." Local adds and
1050	GA	WFAM	C&W mx. (WM-TN) Augusta 1750 01/05 Ad for a get rich quick scam, by working at home ID - WFAM AUGUSTA" then 'BORN TO WIN' program with Ronald Dart of
	SC	WIQB	Whitehouse, TX. (WM-TN) Conway 1803 01/05 Live program from 'Logan's Road House' in Myrtle Beach, SC, with head basketball coach, BUZZ PETERS of the conference. Sponsors were PALMETTO CHEV; BUDWEISER; WACOVIA BANK; +14 other companies that I missed the name of. ID - "SPORTS RADIO 93.3 97.3 AND 1050 THE TEAM." (WM-TN)
1070	VA	WINA	Charlottesville 01/14 2354 Ad for condominiums in Charlottesville and ID.
1090	AL	KAAY	Semi-dominant signal . "News radio 1070 WINA." (IEN-GA) Little Rock 1748 01/15 Southern gospel music; ID- "This is KAAY Little Rock Arkansas Radio News is next, time is 5.55"; At 1900 ID "This is
	FL	WNVY	KAAY Little Rock" then disappeared. (WM-TN) Cantonment 1825 01/21 AD for a store that I did not get the name of "We are located at the corner of Halifax and Canton, just minutes from downtown Pensacola." Black gospel music; Ad for "Mark 'the house buyer' just call 982- 8185 if you want to sell." At 1851 ad for PCDI career training school; Promo for the evangelist Mary Clark. You can hear her each day at 1230 on WNVY. (WM-TN)
1140	SC AL	WCZZ WBXR	Greenwood 1-10 1740 BLK GSPL; "Rejoice 1090" NEW. (WM-MD) Hazel Green 1145 01/21 End of the program, "Day of Decision" ID - "WBXR AM 1140."
1150	AL	WJRD	Tuscaloosa 1800 01/15 Adult standards style of music; ID - "Timeless
1170	WI	WFDL	Classic's, 1150, WJRD, Tuscaloosa" Then gone. (WM-TN) Waupun 2000 01/15 Adult standards with what sounded like Beach Boys. CBS News at 2000; at 2005 weather report given By "I'm Jeff Marks(?)
1190	VA	WBDY	WFDL Meteorologist. (WM-TN) Bluefield 01/16 1648 Sports news and scores with local news at 1702. Good signal on top of the mix. Fox Sports Radio, AM 1190, WBDY". (IEN-GA)
1200	ΤN	WAMB	Nashville (Donaldson) 1/16 1734 WAMB traffic report from Jay Phelps. Salvation Army ad for Middle Tennessee. Apparently the first day of WAMB
1240	SC	WLSC	on 1200 (moved from 1160) Very strong. (RJ-NC) Loris 1/18 0559 "One thousand watts of power! 1240 AM – WLSC, Loris" (I
1270	GA	WSHE	have never heard an ID boasting about 1 kw before!) (RJ-NC) Columbus 1/16 1759 "The new 1270 WSHE, the Gospel voice of the
1320	NC	WAGY	Chattahooche Valley." (RJ-NC) Forest City_01/14 2359_Country music and TOH ID. Semi-dominant signal in
1370	GA	WGHC	a sea of other C&W stations. "WAGY, Forest City." (IEN-GA) Clayton 01/14 1552 Radio station promo and local wx into Oldies. Decent signal fading in and out of the mix. "Rabun County Radio, WGHC" and "1370, WGHC". (IEN-GA)
1680	??	????	1/21 0300-0335 EST while trying for the KAVT test, noted a station from 0300 to 0330 with an Infomercial for a glucosamine product and how it helps with arthritic conditions (man and woman announcers); from 0330-tune out, the benefits of a fish oil supplement were touted (2 men announcing). Fading was interesting regarding the infomercials - almost 3 minutes fade out to in (exactly) each time. Overall, poor signal. (MH-NC)
1680	??	????	1/21 0328-0331 Male announcer with mention of "5 to 9 AM daily", and then
1680	??	????	"News Talk Radio 7-70". Overall, poor signal. (MH-NC) 1/20 0412-0430 initially with 2 men talking, and later a woman. Poor but seemed to have fading characteristics. Clear mention of "65 Bridge," "264 East," "64East," and "64 West." My first thought was Virginia/Portsmouth area. Image from 1650 (WHKT?)? Ideas?? I checked the FCC database for low power (LP – broadcast auxiliary) HELP WITH UN IDEN
1260			As per Bill McGuire's unID on 1260 in DXM 43-16; eliminate WSDZ Belleville, IL from the list. WSDZs night pattern is beamed away from his Maryland QTH; the station's night pattern is basically a SE pattern; this was a regular when I was in Woodstock and Marietta, GA when they were WIBV. I can null out the station at night to hear KSGF, WNDE or even WDKN; I can hear some background on 1260 under WSDZ at night in Edwardsville, where I work. (EB-MO)

DX TESTS

- 770 AL *WVNN Athens 1-21 not heard here, but still reviewing audio files. Too much SS and WABC. Not needed. (LF-FL)
 - + 1/21 0050-0105 and 0125-0135 EST Not heard, Mainly WABC at strong level, and UNID Spanish language station fading in and out at irregular intervals. Also, at times it seemed like a third station with man in English, but just brief bits of audio.
 CA *KAVT Fresno, 1/21 0250-0335 EST I couldn't stand it, so I got back up and listened for the test. Well, I did hear a couple of mentions of "Radio Disney," but
- nothing conclusive for a specific station ID. Aside from being serenaded by 2 Spanish language stations (presumed WLAA and WTTM from earlier IDs), and a station with Infomercials, in Engllish. At 0305:00 tone noted for maybe 5-10 sec. (MH-NC)

Great turnout this week. Had an Antique show near Orlando Saturday so the deadline was extended till Sunday 0800. NOTE: I need a copy of VOL 16 # 17 (pages 225-236) to complete that volume. And Vol. 12 # 18. Would also like to verify page 23-24. 37-38, & 51,52 from Volume 12. Missing from my collection, but may not have been published.... Also need a complete set of Vol. 1 thru 11. I will pay all postage and return to you. 1100 1-22-06

DX WORLDWIDE – WEST / TROPICAL BAND DX

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Greetings everyone,

1680

The TA's are still showing up. We have sure had the best season I can remember for them. Also a couple QSLs to report and a bunch of Alaskans. So away we go.

TRANS ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

- 621 **UNID**, 1/14 at 0359 UTC, Bits of audio, but too weak and too much signal on 620 to understand. (NP-AB)
- 864 UNID, 1/14 0616 A minute or so of audio with man and woman talking. (NP-AB)
- 963 **UNID**, 1/14 0406 Several minutes of quite good audio, but unfortunately they were playing a lengthy orchestral piece, so no chance for an ID. Most likely Finland. (NP-AB)
- 1215 UNITED KINGDOM, synchros Virgin Radio 1/14 0623. Male ancr speaking in EE then into a song by Queen. (NP-AB)
- 1314 NOŘWAY, Kvitsov NRK 1/15 0424, Poor, but good. hi. The most readable audio to date for me. Assorted talk and music. Song titled "Ghost Town" by The Specials. It's incredible to hear Norway! (DP-OR)
 - + Also 1/14 0330, Norwegian talk by a man. A few minutes of audio here and there until 0604. (NP-AB)

TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 640 **ALASKA**, Bethel, KYUK Good with KFI phased, NPR News at 1002 noted, At 1006" That's the news from NPR and KYUK. Weather for Alaska...." Gave many locations in Alaska, giving the tides also. Then banjo mx and "If I Fell" by the Beatles on 1/19. (PM-OR)
- 750 ALASKA, Anchorage KFQD, totally dominant over everything including KXL-Portland OR (75 miles away), with simulcast of KTUU-2 News, lots of Anchorage spots, info on Alaskans killed in Iraq. The best I have heard them in sometime, noted at 0305 UTC 1/20. No phasing needed, dominant off WNW EWE. (PM-OR)
- 780 ALASKA, Nome KNOM 1/12 0821-0906 UTC. No KKOH. Poor to fair with a variety of mx, ID, AP News into wx for areas in Alaska including the Seward Peninsula and Nome. Alaska #2 (DR-OR) (Good going Dan. Glad you nabbed them. KKOH has been off after Midnight PST several times of late. PM)
 - + Also noted good with old rock mx at 0740 UTC 1/21, with KKOH phased. Hrd "A community announcement for Nome" At 0800 "KNOM Nome Alaska" In AP News. (PM-OR)
- 850 ALASKA, Nome KICY. Hrd this rare one, with South phased out on Quantum Phaser. KICY totally dominant a lot of the time at 1028 UTC 1/21 with Classical sounding Rel. mx, followed by Billy Graham anmts, tagged by "and KICY" Back into Rel. mx. The first time I have hrd them in probably 15-20 years. Some old rock station behind KICY, which I could not ID. (PM-OR)

QSL'S

531 **JAPAN**, Morioka, JOQG Full data QSL card, stickers from a children's program, and notepad, all in JJ in 41 days for an IRC. (NP-AB)

1566 **REP. OF KOREA**, Cheju, HLAZ(FEBC) full data cd of Je Ju Building covered with snow with 50th anniversary logo in 82 days for EE report, CD, \$2 US and a postcard. Address: FEBC, MPO Box 88, Seoul 121-707, Korea. (MF-CA)

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Many thanks to Mark Connelly for this weeks loggings.

*** TRANS-ATLANTIC DX ***

- 549 ALGERIA Alger Chaine 1, Les Trembles, JAN 11 0227 man & woman in Arabic. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 585 SPAIN RNE R.1, Madrid, JAN 13 0220 // 621 with man in Spanish; good, getting right by local 590 WEZE. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 612 MOROCCO RTM A, Sebaa-Aioun, JAN 8 0149 fair with Arabic talk. + JAN 11 0224 - high-intensity Arabic vocal; to good peak. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 621 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** RNE R.1 synchros, Santa Cruz de Tenerife et al., JAN 8 0155 woman in Spanish mentioned banks.
 - + JAN 11 0225 Spanish talkshow; good. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 756 **GERMANY** Deutschlandfunk, Braunschweig & Ravensburg, JAN 8 0156 classical violin music; good.
- + JAN 12 2255 German talk; fair. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 765 **SWITZERLAND** RSR Option Musique, Sottens, JAN 12 2256 folk-rock song, French talk; to fair peak. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 783 **MAURITANIA** R. Mauritanie, Nouakchott, JAN 11 2116 // 4845 with shrieky female vocal. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 792 FRANCÉ France Info, Limoges, JAN 11 2119 // 1206 with man & woman in French; poor to fair, mixed with probable Spain. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 837 CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN COPE synchros, JAN 11 2120 Spanish teletalk; over others. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 864 EGYPT Holy Koran Pgm., Santah, JAN 11 2120 Koranic vocal; over France. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 864 **FRANCÉ** France Bleu, Villebon-sur-Yvette, JAN 13 0224 French vocal similar to Neil Diamond's style; over Spain. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 890.98 ALGERIA Chaine 1, Algiers, JAN 11 2123 modern Arabic vocal with drums; fair. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** BBC R.5 Live synchros, JAN 11 2125 sports report; to fair peak. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 945 FRANCÉ France Info, Toulouse, JAN 11 2131 music, then woman in French; good. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 963 unID JAN 11 0206 possible UK local (or Finland?) with bits of English talk by woman; through severe CHNS slop. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 999 **SPAIN** COPE, Madrid, JAN 8 0158 soft piano music, then man in Spanish; good. + JAN 11 2133 - fast Spanish talk; over Arabic music station. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1044 SPAIN SER synchros, JAN 8 0158 fast Spanish talk by woman; fair to good. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1062 **DENMARK** Danmarks R., Kalundborg, JAN 12 2250 arena metal type rock, then man in Danish; good. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** TalkSport synchros, JAN 11 0203 travel advert about going "to the land of sunshine", then TalkSport ID; to good peak. [Connelly*B-MA]

- 1116 SPAIN SER synchros, JAN 13 0227 Spanish teletalk; excellent. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1134 **CROATIA** Glas Hrvatske, Zadar, JAN 7 2103 Slavic news by woman; fair. + JAN 11 2141 - Slavic pop/folk vocal; loud. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1179 **SWEDEN** R. Sweden International, Solvesborg, JAN 12 2220 Swedish talk; fair, over Spain-Canaries and possible Romania. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1206 FRANCE France Info, Bordeaux, JAN 8 0203 French news briefs, fanfare music. + JAN 11 0157 - fair with old-time jazz. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1214.95 **unID** JAN 12 2208 maybe Albania (ex-1214.83?) or something else with Slavic-sounding talk, low growl against UK (which was in a brief fade). [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1215 UNITED KINGDOM Virgin R. synchros, JAN 8 0057 female DJ, then "Take It Easy" by the Eagles; good.
 - + JAN 11 2149 REM "Losing My Religion"; good.
 - + JAN 12 2211 talk about Ryanair flights, idea of displaying advertising on outsides of planes; loud.
 - + JAN 13 0233 talk about a weekend event, then "Hey Jude" by the Beatles; excellent. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1296 SPAIN COPE, Valencia, JAN 8 0049 Spanish teletalk; over others. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1305 SPAIN RNE R.5 synchros, JAN 8 0204 Spanish news; poor to fair. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1314 NORWAY NRK, Kvitsoy, JAN 8 0047 man & woman in Norwegian, then cover version of "When A Man Loves a Woman"; fair through CKEC slop.
 - + JAN 11 0153 modern version of Beatles' "Wait", man in Norwegian mentioned 1965 Rubber Soul album; excellent, loudest TA at the time.
 - + JAN 12 2157 woman in Norwegian, then Wilson Pickett oldie "634-5789"; good, stronger than adjacent 1310 WLOB.
 - + JAN 12 2206 INXS "Need You Tonight"; S9+30 LOCAL-LIKE! [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1341 NORTHERN IRELAND BBC R. Ulster, Lisnagarvey, JAN 12 2205 English talk, nostalgia music (sounded like Ink Spots "If I Didn't Care"); poor. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1377 **FRANCE** France Info, Lille, JAN 8 0210 // 1206 with lush instrumental music; fair. + JAN 12 2201 - French news with phone interview; good. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1394.82 ALBANIA Fllake, JAN 7 2031 talk; fair.
 - + JAN 7 2045 segment of classical music.
 - + JAN 12 2158 Slav-sounding talk by woman, slight het-growl from something on 1395.0. [Connelly*B-MA}
- 1422 **GERMANY** Deutschlandfunk, Heusweiler, JAN 11 2156 woman in German, choral music, then talk by man; good. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1431 DJIBOUTI R. Sawa, Arta, JAN 11 2158 dance music, then two Radio Sawa ID's by woman in Arabic; good. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1467 **FRANCE** TWR, Roumoules, JÁN 11 2159 Middle Eastern instrumental music, then woman in Arabic; super loud, shredding adjacent 1470 WAZN/WLAM. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1485 SPAIN SER synchros, JAN 11 2208 echoey sports-related SER net talk. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1521 SAUDI ARABIA BSKSA, Duba, JAN 7 2107 // 9555 & 9870 with news by man in Arabic; fair to good.
 - + JAN 11 2200 Arabic public address by man in large hall; LOCAL-LIKE, annihilating 1520. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1539 **GERMANY** Evangeliums Rundfunk, Mainflingen, JAN 11 2201 religious classical music; over Spain. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1548 KUWAIT R. Sawa, Kabd Kuwait City, JAN 11 2207 Middle East dance club music; over others.
 - + JAN 13 0243 "Kiss Me" by Sixpence None the Richer, then man in Arabic with mention of "www.radiosawa.com", followed by pop Arabic vocal; HUGE! [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1557 **FRANCE** France Info, Fontbonne, JAN 11 2203 French news; strong, only slightly weaker than 1560 WQEW. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1575 UNITED ARAB EMIRATES R. Farda, JAN 11 2204 pop Mideast music, Farda mention; to good peak. [Connelly*B-MA]
- 1584 **ŠPAIN** SER synchros, JAN 11 2208 // 1485 with sports coverage; mixed with Ceuta, others. [Connelly*B-MA]

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[Connelly*B-MA] = Billerica, MA. (GC= 71.221 W / 42.533 N) (home) Receiver: Drake R8A. Antenna system: dual-feedline Flag: 5m x 10.6m

That's all for this week. 73, Brandon.



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Selfishly, I hope the application for a new station in Calgary, AB on 700 with 50 kw D and 20 kw N is denied. There are so wretchedly few North America-wide clear channels left, and WLW-700 is by far the easiest and best beacon to good conditions to the eastern half of N. America here. There is nothing to beat it and it is a regular. Second comes WHAS-840 KY but it is between a powerful, splattery local for me (850) and a semi-local (830). Of course, a directional antenna could reduce one or the other on 700, but still, the angle separating the two isn't that great; both are generally NE from here (which my location very near the eastern tip of the Hawaiian chain favors anyway). In this great location, I am shielded by tall mountains to the W, SW and NW, rescuing unwanted signals from Oahu, Maui and Kanai (the other islands with AM stations). Throughout the hours of darkness, North American stations dominate here; in winter, stations from the more northerly West Coast, especially northern Californians from places like Crescent City, Arcata and Fort Bragg and southwest Oregonians from Coos Bay, Coquille, Brookings and Lincoln City--many of them graveyarders--are in the clear at my local awn, which is about their dawn too. Tahiti, SE of me, is good throughout the hours of darkness. The rest of the S. Pacific is blocked by mountains SW of me and comes in much later and weaker. Alaska is unblocked and KNOM-780 is sometimes the last non-HI station to fade out at dawn. Best chances for Europe and Africa are at my dusk and dawn. Aloha and 73.

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Hello folks. I would like to relate to you an incident I had with a station that blatantly refused to pow4er down after sunset. For purposes of professional confidentiality and to protect our clubs interests, Station A will be a local station I liked to listen to. Station B several states away will be the station that refused to acknowledge that they were cheating. I called station B to complain in a polite diplomatic manner about my problem. I asked for the chief engineer. The receptionist told me that there is no chief engineer at the station. She asked me what was my problem. I told her in a nice polite diplomatic way as to what was my complaint. She told me she was new in the radio business. Then she proceeded on telling me I don't know what I was talking about! Those who think they knowit-all truly annoy us who do know! I went to station A with my problem. They told me in so many words that they didn't want to bother with my problem. They gave me a FCC office address to complain to. In my letter to the FCC, I made no mention of DXing, IRCA, NRC, etc. to protect our club's interests. I stated just the pertinent facts. I kept it to myself that I went out to the FCC on station B. Playing cop is not the issue here. The issue is I don't tolerate rude behavior and I didn't like my listening pleasure of station A being ruined. I would never be a beggar or a servant to station just for a DX test and a QSL card. People with high self esteem avoid asking such stations for DX tests and a QSL card. When I have a problem with a station not powering down after sunset, I approach the station in a polite diplomatic manner. 90% of the time, I get results. In fact, a CE several states from me gave me his cell phone number to call up to 2230 if his station's automation didn't power down. Point here: radio stations are not doing us a favor by powering down after sunset. It is their legal responsibility to do so. We should be asking stations who are cordial and professional towards us for DS tests and QSL cards. A DXer told me as to what I did to station B was "playing cop, rude, harassing the station and a disservice to our hobby". This DXer also said to the effect that if a station is not powering down after sunset, turn a blind eye. I don't buy that. In this age of deregulation of the FCC, our hobby is under attack. More stations going on the air, stations knowingly cheating and the awful fact that the FCC might allow stations to run IBOC 24/7. If we turn a blind eye to this, our hobby will go away! A final note: I reemphasize: if you need to go to the FCC about a station, please don't mention the IRCA, NRC, DXing, etc. Just tell them the pertinent facts. You are trying to listen to a Spanish music station several states away and some station not powering down after sunset is blocking your listening of such station. Keep it to yourself. If you do all of the above, then it is your private business. It is none of any one else's business. Period. 73's

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On January 5, 2006 at 17:36 ELT, I joined a select group of DXers; those who have had 1,000 AM radio stations logged at one location. The station that put me into the four-digit range turned out to be WCOR 900 Lebanon, TN with local announcements and Classic Country music. CHML, a sunset regular, was nulled to pull this one through. The next 1,000 will be even more challenging, to say the least. I've also had some luck with DX on 1430 at sunset and night lately, with WIL 1430's night signal out of whack. Normally, I can only hear WXNT in the background with WIL dominant, but lately, I've been pulling in some DX; WPLN was a sunset regular during December 2005. I read the article about the DX tests; I didn't try for either the WJOX or WAPI tests because these two stations are already in the logbook. WAPI is a regular at sunset on 1070, even with semi-local WRYT on 1080. I haven't sent

out a QSL request to an AM radio station since 2000, and I don't usually try for DX tests anymore. Of course, Fred Vobbe's idea for including code and tones in the regular automation inventory is a great idea, along with allowing DXers to handle reception reports for DX tests; however, the best answer to the problem of getting tests scheduled and verifications promptly is to actually have DXers on station payrolls, and in positions of influence at commercial stations, especially as program directors, general managers or station owners. When I was at WFTD 1080 during the late 1980s and early 1990s (when it was a ministry of Roswell Street Baptist Church), I typed up a form letter for my boss, Rocky Payne, to use when receiving reception reports. Rocky signed my WFTD verie in 1993, after I returned to the St. Louis area. WGNU 920, where I worked in 1996 and 1997, has received an occasional report; the office manager usually does the work. I even gave a sample copy of DX Monitor to Tony Holman, the owner of Covenant Network, a St. Louis-based Catholic radio apostolate which owns WRMS 790. WRYT 1080. WIHM 1410 and KHOJ 1460, when I was DXM Publisher. I have more contacts in independent and non-commercial broadcasting than in corporate radio; I am not very well-connected in corporate broadcasting. Some radio companies are driven by excessive profit; they should be reminded that it is not only a business, it is also a public service. DXers are just as important to the station as the local listeners. On the convention front, good luck to Pat Martin on hosting the 2006 IRCA Convention; I'll be submitting a bid for St. Louis to host the 2007 Convention, but with revisions from the bid for 2006. I'm thinking about doing a summer get-together for those who cannot make the Seaside gig. Locally, KTRS 550 flipped from News/Talk to Hot Talk on January 9; most of the local talkers are gone, except for Frank O. Pinion, replaced with talk show hosts imported from out of town. WRDA 104.1 Jersevville. IL has changed calls to WHHL to match the Urban format and "Hot 104" slogan. St. Louis jazz fans lost a legendary personality on January 2, when Leo Chears, known as "The Man in the Red Vest", passed away at age 72. His long list of stations included AM stations WAMV 1490 (now WESL), KSD 550 (now KTRS), WRTH 590 (now KFNS) and KATZ 1600. He had been at WSIE 88.7 since 1990; he did his last show with WSIE morning personality E.B. Stevenson on December 18, 2005. 73 and good DX from Eric (NOUIH)

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