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This is the last bi-weekly printed bulletin; they will be monthly from until fall. SDXM will continue to be bi-weekly. **Don't forget to VOTE...** details in the last issue.

DX MONITOR Editor-in-Chief Needed

Effective the end of this volume (early August 2009), I will be stepping down as **DX Monitor** Editor-in-Chief. Anyone interested in the position, please contact me (phil_tekno@yahoo.com) or IRCA's President **Doug Pifer** (dxe@desert4wd.com).

IRCA Slogan's and IRCA TISHAR List Editors Needed

Anyone interested in taking over either of these positions and preparing a new edition for this fall's DX season, please contact **Phil Bytheway** at the **IRCA Bookstore** (phil_tekno@yahoo.com).

IRCA/DecalcoMania Convention 2009!!!

The 2009 IRCA/DecalcoMania convention will be held Thu Sept 17, Fri Sept 18 and Sat Sept 19 at the Days Inn, 2120 Menaul Blvd NE, Albuquerque NM 87107 (Near I-40 and Hwy 25) www.midtowndaysinn.com. Guest room rates \$44.95 1 person, \$54.95 2 persons. Free shuttle within 5 mile radius (includes airport and train station.) Phone number for reservations is 505-884-0250 (events manager is Danita) Registration fee is \$25 (not including banquet) payable to Mike Sanburn, PO Box 1256, Bellflower CA 90707-1256. mikesanburn@hotmail.com 73

NRC/DXAS/WTFDA Convention 2009

This years' joint convention will be held over the Labor Day Weekend at the Roadway Inn, 1151 Bulldog Dr, Allentown PA 18140-1907. The host is Bob Smolarek, 31 Mark Dr, High Bridge NJ 08829. Update info to follow soon... Ernie Wesolowski, Omaha NE (thanks Ernie - pb)

CANADIAN RADIO NEWS

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For March 2009 (April 1 2009 - next update May 1 2009)

1050 ON Toronto CHUM From Oldies to All News (CP24 Radio 1050)

OFF THE AIR

1150 QC Gatineau CJRC Simulcast time for FM conversion expires (was scheduled to sign off on March 16, but is reportedly still temporarily on the air until technical issues with the new FM signal are resolved)
1490 BC Campbell River CFWB Simulcast time for FM conversion expires

PROPOSED AM TO FM CONVERSIONS

1270 QC Alma CFGT Move to 97.7 with 50,000 watts (earlier application was rejected, however different parameters have now been submitted)

PROPOSED TECHNICAL CHANGES

930 NF St John's CJYQ Reduce daytime power from 50,000 watts to 25,000 watts and relocate transmitter

I attempt to be as accurate as possible with this information. I visit many websites and message boards on a daily basis seeking the latest in Canadian radio news to report in this column. I trust this information to be worthy; however I can't be in all these places to confirm everything. If inaccurate information is reported I do apologize, but don't blame me... I'm only the messenger.

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(continued from previous issues - pb)

Dale Park sends along the following from NewsOK.com (OK) dated 1/7/09:

Poor ratings doomed local sports-talk radio station. By Mel Bracht, Citadel pulls plug on Jox 930. It turns out Oklahoma wasn't big enough for two sports stations — at least owned by Citadel Broadcasting. Citadel pulled the plug on Jox 930 on Monday and is temporarily airing ESPN Radio. Citadel plans to launch another undisclosed format on AM 930. Citadel spokesman Chris Baker said: Baker said Citadel launched Jox 930 in June 2007 with the idea of making it the home for Oklahoma City's "sure bet" NBA team. In the end, he said WWLS, the Sports Animal, made more sense as the home for the Thunder. Baker said the death of Jack Mildren, who had teamed with Ron Thulin on the afternoon show, and the Sports Animal's power upgrade also contributed to Jox 930's demise. Ratings were disappointing as Jox 930 failed to show up in the summer Arbitron ratings for listeners 12 and older. Thulin, who covers college football for Versus and ACC basketball for Fox, was disappointed by Citadel's decision. He noted his 3 to 6 pm afternoon show was averaging 20 to 30 calls and 10 to 15 e-mails a day and his national approach provided an alternative to the Sports Animal. (DP-HI)

Eric Buenuman sends along the following dated 1/10/09:

Did you get word about a format change at WRIE 1260 Erie, PA? When I was in northwest PA over the New Year's holiday, I noted that WRIE has flipped from News/Talk to ESPN Sports (with local inserts at various times of the day) as "ESPN 1260-The Score". This is Erie's second all-sports station; WFNN 1330 features Fox Sports Radio. Other format changes: KRFT 1190 De Soto, MO is now back to Sporting News Radio, after losing ESPN to WXOS 101.1 East St. Louis, IL. KFNS 590 is moving toward mostly local content in their sports format. (EB-MO)

Dale Park sends along the following from Keysnet.com (FL) dated 1/12/09:

Radio-station owner broadcasts lawsuit, Nascone sues city, alleging land taking. By RYAN McCARTHY, rmccarthy@keynoter.com
Keys Radio Group owner Joe Nascone sued the city of Marathon Monday, alleging a taking of his 9.57-acre Boot Key property. Nascone has long threatened the lawsuit if the city refused to repair the falling Boot Key Bridge, which provided the only land access to the island. He headquartered his business on the 1,100-acre island. The bridge was declared a hazard by the Florida Department of Transportation and closed to traffic of any kind, even pedestrian, in December 2007. On April 29, 2008, the council voted unanimously in favor of a plan to buy Boot Key for its appraised value and turn it into an eco-preserve with no bridge access. Nascone reportedly was interested in selling his property to the city, but his attorney, Amy Brigham Boulins, said he never received an offer. She said City Attorney Jimmy Morales contacted her asking if Nascone was interested in an "amicable solution" but never got back to her. Boulins added Nascone has gone out of his way to avoid litigation with the city and that he could have sued when the bridge was closed a year ago. "This is clearly a taking of access, which is a property right. When a property right has been taken, the government is supposed to compensate," she said. "It got to the point that they were ignoring his plight. Regrettably, we had to file this suit, but he did respect their intentions to deal with him fairly." Morales said he'll assess the suit and address it with the City Council in executive session. He said the island's owners indicated originally that "depending on the number, they'd be interested." In December, the city was very publicly trying to identify funding to buy the island. Now that we've gotten some good feedback about funding, the next step will be to sit down and start talking about some hard numbers," Morales said. This past Dec. 5, the city hosted various state and federal officials in an attempt to get them on board to purchase the island outright from its three owners for preservation. In early April, the city released an appraisal done by Lee H. Waronker of Waronker & Rosen Inc. that valued the island at a combined \$3.4 million with bridge access and \$1.47 million without. Nascone's property took by far the biggest hit. According to the appraisal, Nascone's mixed-use property is valued at \$2.42 million with bridge access and just \$605,000 without. Barry Yampol owns 1,017.36 acres, or 99 percent of the island's privately owned land, under three corporation names. The appraisal values his land, which is predominately mangroves and wetlands, at \$528,000 with or without bridge access. Boulins said Nascone will have an independent appraisal of his property done should a judge agree there was a taking. (DP-HI)

John Tudenham sends along a correction to last month's column dated 1/12/09. Thanks, John!

In **DX Monitor** under broadcast facility changes you had 1450 KQYX listed as Galena MO. Should be Galena KS which is a suburb of Joplin MO. They have a new transmitter site but both studio and transmitter still in MO just a few miles from Galena KS and state line. Galena MO is not in Joplin market. Transmitter and studio address are 2510 W 20th St, Joplin MO 64804. WMBH 1560 owned by another company at same location is now silent, KQYX is using their tower. (JT-MO)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Great Falls, MT Tribune dated 1/13/09:

KEIN radio moving into old service station. By JO DEE BLACK, Tribune Business Editor
Buzz up! KEIN Radio is moving its studio from the hilltop near the Old Havre Highway into a former service station near the city's original Van's IGA. Clay Holly and his partners bought a former filling station on the northeast corner of the intersection of 25th Street and 6th Avenue North. They plan to renovate the building to house both the radio station and coffee shop. "The idea is to have a local radio channel with news about Great Falls and live disc jockeys," said Holly. "We also want to have opportunities for the coffee shop customers to have interaction with the DJs through a mike." The coffee shop will have a drive-through lane. Initial plans are to incorporate old gas station signs and paraphernalia into the décor. After reviewing remodel plans for the building Monday afternoon, the Design Review Board asked the developers to revise some handicap accessibility features and return with a more detailed drawing of the exterior design. "I would really encourage you to keep some of the gas-station features in the design," said David Cantley, a member of the design review board. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Great Falls, MT Tribune dated 1/13/09:

Great Falls fanatics looking for the latest news fix about the NFL playoffs, college bowl games and other sports need not fear. ESPN Radio did not go off the local air waves. It did transfer its station affiliation. The network switched from Fisher Radio's 1400 AM to Destiny Communications' Sports Dog 103.9 FM on Monday, Jan. 5, and was down about five hours during the transfer, said Destiny program director Hugh James. "National networks are always looking to increase overall audience members, which a strong FM signal can do," James said. Destiny Communications, which broadcasts KTGF-TV, started broadcasting two other FM radio stations in mid-December. They are the Blitz, 101.7 FM, a Top 40 popular music station on which James and Tammy Toren do a morning show, and Rock Hog 102.7, a hard rock station. Meanwhile, Fisher Radio has converted its KXGF 1400 AM station to a traditional country format, said general manager Keith Teske, adding: "Within a few weeks we will localize it with special features and personalities." Despite the format change, he stressed that the station will continue its local and state, play-by-play sports coverage. KXGF currently broadcasts Great Falls High and C.M. Russell boys' basketball games. It plans to continue broadcasting GFH Bison and Montana State University Bobcat football games next fall. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Pícaiyune, MS item dated 1/16/09:

Economy does what Katrina couldn't. By BUTCH WEIR, Special to the Item

POPULARVILLE – Popularville's only radio station, WRPM-AM 1530, apparently has become a victim of the economic woes rolling across the nation. In a telephone interview last Thursday morning station manager Thomas Vaughn said the station had ceased operation and that the shutdown had come with no warning. He said an engineer with Coast Radio Group, the station's parent company, came up from Biloxi and shut down the station's equipment earlier that day. A second call to Coast Radio Group Tuesday by the Poplarville Democrat confirmed that the station was closed down but no further information was provided. The first call for information placed last Thursday was not returned but the Democrat learned that the information request was received by Coast Radio's management. In an earlier article (Katrina couldn't knock local radio station down, Oct. 13, 2005) the station was listed as a sister station to WZKX Kicker 108 on the gulf coast, under the ownership of Morgan Dowdy. The only explanation given to Vaughn for the shutdown was the downturn in the economy. He did not advertise revenue had been down and he indicated there had been no one doing advertising sales for the station, Vaughn said. He said there were possible options that could see the station sold or leased and back on the air within a year of the shutdown. He said that to maintain the 1530 AM frequency slot a sale or lease would have to be accomplished within a year because of FCC licensing regulations. "If the price is right, someone could come in and get the station going (before the year deadline)," Vaughn said. WRPM received its license in 1962, he said. For a time the station had provided an eclectic mix of popular tunes of the 50s and 60s over a broad range of genre. Vaughn said in January, 1997, the station ceased to be a country music station and in July of that year began broadcasting in an all-Gospel format. In addition to gospel music, the station also aired church services from the First Baptist Church of Poplarville and the Steephollow Baptist Church. The Rev. Tommy Anthony, pastor at First Baptist, said Thursday he was unaware of the change. He indicated that the church probably would seek another avenue for getting the church's message delivered over the air. Larry Boone, owner of Boone's Pharmacy and one of the sponsors for the First Baptist Church broadcast, said he had not heard of the change either and did not know what steps might be taken about the church's broadcasts. Information received from the Steephollow Baptist Church indicated the church was aware of the change but that no plans had been made regarding further broadcasts. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the New York, NY Post dated 1/17/09:

CLEAR CHANNEL PLANS REVAMP, By PETER LAURIA

The new owners of radio giant Clear Channel Communications will next week begin implementing a massive restructuring plan that seeks to cut \$400 million in costs at the company. The Post has learned. According to three sources with knowledge of the plan, the restructuring will include layoffs across the company's radio, outdoor advertising and international divisions as well as cuts to programming budgets and consolidation of back-office operations. A precise headcount for the layoffs could not be obtained. Clear Channel has about 30,000 employees worldwide. The company is also likely to move toward a "national programming" model that would require less local-level staffing, despite being criticized in the past for a similar action using centralized disc jockeys that made it appear as though they were broadcasting from local stations. Sources said an initial round of layoffs is expected to commence next Tuesday – not coincidentally the same day President-elect Barack Obama is to be sworn into office. Clear Channel managers are hoping they can slip in the layoffs while the press is preoccupied with Inauguration Day festivities, sources said. A Clear Channel spokeswoman declined to comment. "Clear Channel was built through a series of acquisitions that generally weren't consolidated very well," said one source, alluding to the late '90s buying spree that put more than 1,000 stations under the Clear Channel umbrella, making it the nation's largest radio company. To be sure, Bain Capital Partners and Thomas H. Lee Partners took a hard look at Clear Channel's expense base in the due diligence phase of their \$17.9 billion acquisition, and identified hundreds of millions of dollars of costs that could be taken out of the company. While they always planned to restructure the company, sources said that the soured economy forced them to expedite the timeframe for the cuts. "Nothing about our plans have changed except for the speed and timing of them," said the source. "There's no doubt we are in a horrible advertising environment, and we can't just sit there and take it." The numbers bear out that argument. Radio ad spending fell almost 9 percent through the first three quarters of 2008, the second worst-performing category after newspapers, according to ad-spending tracker TNS Media Intelligence. Fourth-quarter ad-spending numbers have yet to be tabulated, but many are expecting a low- to mid-double-digit decline. (DP-H)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Deane McIntyre of Calgary, AB dated 1/29/09:

CBE-1550 Windsor ON has reapplied to the CRTC to move to FM, using 97.5 MHz, 3.2 kW, 130.1 meters for its Windsor transmitter as well as using 91.9 MHz, 5.3 kW, 73.6 meters for a transmitter at Leamington ON: [http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2009-36.htm#31](http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2009/2009-36.htm#31)

Windsor and Leamington, Ontario, Application No. 2008-1352-8

Application by Canadian Broadcasting Corporation to convert the radio programming undertaking CBE Windsor from the AM band to the FM band. The applicant also proposes to establish a new FM transmitter in

Leamington. The new station would operate on frequency 97.5 MHz (channel 248B) with an average effective radiated power (ERP) of 3,200 watts (maximum ERP of 19,000 watts with an effective height of antenna above average terrain of 130.1 metres). The applicant's Leamington transmitter would operate on frequency 91.9 MHz (channel 220B1) with an average ERP of 5,300 watts (maximum ERP of 10,450 watts with an effective height of antenna above average terrain of 73.6 metres). The applicant indicates that, within 30 days of the implementation of the proposed FM radio station in Windsor, it will apply for the revocation of the authority granted in Broadcasting Decision 2008-101 for a nested FM transmitter on the 102.3 MHz frequency in Windsor. The applicant indicates that it will launch both the Windsor radio station and the Leamington transmitter within one year of approval, where, at which time, it will operate in simulcast mode for three months. The applicant also requests, pursuant to sections 9(1)(e) and 24(1) of the Broadcasting Act, the revocation of the licence for CBE Windsor effective at the end of the simulcast period. (PM-OR)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Deane McIntyre of Calgary, AB, dated 1/29/09:

United Christian Broadcasters has applied for a new AM station in Toronto ON on 1480 (the old CKAN Newmarket ON frequency) with 1kW days, 0.5 kW night: <http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2009/2009-36.htm#26>

Toronto, Ontario, Application No. 2008-1480-8.

Application by United Christian Broadcasters Canada for a broadcasting licence to operate an English-language AM commercial radio programming undertaking in Toronto. The new station would operate on frequency 1480 kHz (class C) with a transmitter power of 1,000 watts day-time and 500 watts night-time. The applicant proposes a Christian music service. (PM-OR)

Glen Hauser passes along the following dated 1/28/09:

All times here are in UT, subtract 6 hours for CST

OKLAHOMA. Off-again, on-again: KEOR, 1120, Catoosa/Sperry/Tulsa, was again being heard at 2150 UT Jan 20, with the same limited playlist of oldies; already losing out to KMOX, about 7 Hz away, pause at 2158 but no legal ID audible tho they have done so in the past. Around 2210 it was the whistling "Westminster Cathedral".

USA. Earlier this month I could not hear KGNU 1370 Dodge City KS in the daytime, as I used to, and figured it must have been silent. But it's back now, although heard via skywave, Jan 28 at 0720 UT with ID as 'AM Gold Me 1370, KGNU. And enjoyable music such as a '90s version of Carole King's 'Will You Still Love Me Tomorrow', 'America' by Simon & Garfunkel, 'Expressway to your Heart', 'Gimme Some Lovin' and something by The Temptations. Lots of QRM, but generally dominating the channel.

Also presumably same heard at 1514 UT still with heavy skywave CCI – sounds like a regional channel, which it is. Now playing Ray Stevens' 'Ahab, the A-rab', 1520 'We May Never Pass This Way Again' by Seals & Croft.

New format, no longer sports/talk as in 2008-2009 NRC AM Log. Night power supposed to be only 230 watts vs day power 5000, non-directional day and night, which is a bit of a rarity. Maybe grandfathered: it is an old station. Here's Emie Cooper's 1933 QSL: http://www.nrcdckas.org/ERC_Veries/KS/KGNO.pdf. Can't find a KGNU website.

USA. 1540 kHz, Jan 28 at 1513 UT station in Spanish with 214 area code, therefore the 32-kW KZMP, licensed to University Park, the suburb named for SMU in The Metroplex. But more significantly, it was bothered by IBOC (boo, hiss), and so was KOMA-1520 OKC, at this late hour. AFAIK this could only be coming from WCKY 1530 Cincinnati (or whatever the calls are this week), and there was a strong AM talker on 1530 I did not try to ID.

USA. 1690, WVON Berywn IL, Jan 28 at 1511 UT running opinion disclaimer, then the Sanita (sp?) Jackson Show, and she Ided it as "The Talk of Chicago, 1690, WVON." I would think that one of the bigger stations would have looked up that slogan in that market. This in the bright sunlight on our ice and snow, but solar angle still plenty low for strong skywave from over a megameter away on the X-band. This station must also be the source of IBOC hiss I often hear on 1680, although not at this moment (Glen Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST). (GH-OK)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Seattle, WA Times dated 1/29/09:

Everett broadcaster wins appeal on radio towers.

The Snohomish County Council has reversed a ruling that halted construction of two AM radio towers south of Snohomish. The council voted 3 to 2 Tuesday in favor of an appeal brought by S-R Broadcasting Inc. of Everett. The company owns KRKO and wants to open a new 50,000-watt station at 1520 on the AM dial. In October, a hearing examiner ordered that work be halted, citing studies indicating there could be a health risk to nearby residents. Council member Dave Gossett says there's not enough evidence to support that finding. The two proposed towers are identical to three that were built on the site in July, along with a 349-foot-tall radio antenna, after more than a decade of litigation, hearings and appeals. Council members say they expect another appeal. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from **Mlive.com** (Flint, MI Journal) dated 1/30/09:

Doug Fisher let go at WTRX; local sports talk show replaced by ESPN program, by Bill Khan, The Flint Journal.

FLINT – Doug Fisher expected to spend Friday morning breaking down Sunday's Super Bowl and Friday night's high school basketball matchups. Instead, he sat home Friday morning, hoping he still has a future in the radio business. Fisher is the latest radio personality to become a victim of the economy, as he was let go Thursday as the program director and host of the "Male Room" on WTRX (1330-AM). The decision was made by Citadel Broadcasting Company, the parent company of WTRX. Fisher said he was informed of the move after wrapping up Thursday's edition of his local sports talk show, which aired from 10 am to noon on weekdays. "It's a tough, tough economy we're dealing with," Fisher said. "Nobody's immune. I didn't have an inkling, but I'm not surprised. I'm still shocked." WTRX is replacing Fisher's show with Colin Cowherd's "The Herd" on ESPN Radio. WTRX will air primarily ESPN Radio programming, with the exceptions of the Jim Rome show from noon to 3 pm weekdays. "The Huge Show" from 3 to 6 pm weekdays and team broadcasts that the station is still contractually obligated to carry. Fisher was in his second nine-and-a-half-hour stint with the station. He started the "Male Room" eight years ago. "It was a fun job," Fisher said. "I'm

going to miss the listeners, the fans, the advertisers and all the associations I made over the last eight years." Fisher isn't sure what his future holds. He would like to get back into radio, but realizes the business is extremely tough these days. Recently, WFDR in Detroit laid off all of its local sports talk hosts and filled their slots with syndicated programming. "Right now, it's so difficult in our industry," Fisher said. "Other companies are laying off people, too, a lot of talented people all over the country. There are more people looking for work than there actually are positions. It'll be a struggle for a while, but never say never." Citadel's Chris Monk, the general manager of WTRX, could not be reached for comment. (DP-H)

Art Blair sends along a correction to last month's column dated 1/31/09:
Per Art Blair of Fruitland, ID (phone call on 1/26/09), KFXD-630 Nampa-Boise, ID has not switched to sports from talk, per a call by Art to the station. They currently do not plan on making this switch. (AB-ID)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Craig Healy of Providence, RI dated 2/2/09:
WNBH-1340 New Bedford, MA and WLKW-1450 West Warwick, RI both changed formats at midnight tonight. They were Timeless Favorites (oldies) and are now ESPN Radio full time. WNBH-1340 does have some high school games and also some local specialty programming weekends. WLKW-1450 has a specialty show on Sunday/WNBH. That one is a Frank Sinatra music show. (PM-OR)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Washington, DC Post dated 2/3/09:
WVRC-1260 to switch from liberal talk to biz talk, in the Spotlight, And Seared By the Glare. By Howard Kurtz.

Caroline Kennedy has been hiding from the press. Rod Blagojevich has been racing to every studio this side of Rachael Ray's kitchen. And Sarah Palin is blazing network anchors of blatant bias. To view the entire article, go to <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/02/01/AR2009020101836.html?refere=emailarticle> (article not accessible by ye ed-ye ed). (DP-H)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Paul Walker & Tom Taylor dated 2/4/09:
From Radio Info's Tom Taylor: "Around Tulsa," AM daytime KEOR, Catocosa, OK is being acquired by the Catholic Diocese of Tulsa, for \$532,000 cash. The typical deals we're seeing with Catholic buyers are with lay-Catholic organizations, but this one's being done directly by Bishop Edward J. Slattery. Seller is the RAFTT Corporation, and the broker is Houston-based John Saunders. Currently-silent KEOR has 2-kw of power, daytime only. (PM-OR)

Mike Hardester sends along the following dated 2/4/09:
Today, 3 FEB 2009, I not only heard an actual spot on WSTK (1400 Jacksonville, NC-ye ed), but a news report: ABC News at :50 before the hour. So, add ABC News. (MH-NC)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Chicago, IL Sun-Times dated 2/4/09:
Used to listen to him on and off when I lived in Chicago and in the late 1980's.
To read the full story, click here: <http://www.suntimes.com/news/obituaries/1412577.eddie-schwartz-chicago-radio-dies-020409.article> (article not accessible by ye ed-ye ed). (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from **ai.com** (Huntsville, AL Times) dated 2/7/09:
WTKI-1450 folds: http://blog.ai.com/breaking/2009/02/wtki_pro_talk_radio_off_the_ai.html (article not accessible by ye ed-ye ed). (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the New York City (NY) Daily News dated 1/7/09:
On the radio: ESPN not calling new signals, says GM Tim McCarthy, Wargra for News
General Manager Tim McCarthy of WEPN (ESPN Radio) says reports that ESPN wants to buy the struggling 101.9 FM frequency from Emmis and move ESPN's flagship station to the FM band might be a nice idea, but that "we are having no conversations about it. Nothing is happening." It's true, says McCarthy, that there were some conversations "a few months ago" and that ESPN is "always looking for opportunities." It's also true that ESPN, now heard on WEPN's 1050 AM signal, has felt frustration because of recent interference issues with the range and quality of the station. But ESPN is addressing that, he says, with a new \$12 million tower that will move the station's transmitter from East Rutherford to North Bergen, N.J. "Ever since they started a new mall in East Rutherford 18 months ago, we've had problems," he said. "Every time they swing a piece of steel, it alters our signal." The new transmitter is scheduled for completion by the end of March, and McCarthy says it will definitely improve the 1050 signal. "It should expand both the clarity and the range," he says. "Exactly how much is hard to say, because you never know until you turn it on -- and you also have to stay within your FCC limits." The Emmis-ESPN reports have persisted in part because Emmis needs cash and so far has gotten little traction with its new rock format at 101.9 FM, WRXP. Emmis has not commented on any reports. Crain's last week speculated that if ESPN gets an FM frequency here, it would put ESPN Deportes on 1050. McCarthy doesn't rule out that possibility. "I think talk and sports talk can definitely work on FM," he says. "And in a perfect world, we'd love to have an outlet for Deportes." But right now, he says, "What's going on is the new transmitter." (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Toronto, ON Globe and Mail dated 2/10/09:
Hard times hit all-sport radio, WILLIAM HOUSTON
Hard times hit several all-sport radio stations in the United States recently, although it may be more accurate to say Clear Channel Communications used the economic downturn as reason to gut the stations. At WDFN in Detroit, KLAC in Los Angeles and KLSB in San Diego, jobs were slashed and local programming replaced with a syndicated sports service. In Toronto last week, Astral Media's CFRB, a news-talk station, laid off a handful of staff. What will the recession mean for all-sport radio in this country? Potential cuts, perhaps a decrease in local content and plenty of anxiety. The markets hit hardest are Toronto and Vancouver, although sources say CTV's Team 1200 in Ottawa also is hurting. At Rogers Communications-owned The Fan 590 in Toronto and CTV's Team 1040 in Vancouver, staff reductions are not ruled out. "I don't control Rogers, and it's status quo for now," Fan 590 vice-president and general manager Nelson Millman said. "We're not planning on any major changes, but as with any business, I suppose you adjust as you go." Millman said everybody in radio, whether it's in music, news or sports, is hurting. "We're all operating on the same cruise ship and as the boat floats up, we all float up. And as the tide wanes a little, everybody feels it." The Fan 590's ship set sail in September of 1992. It was the first station in

Canada to move to an all-sport format. After some lean early years, the business model started to pay dividends. Anchored by Bob McCown's afternoon drive show, the station's weekly cumulative audience steadily increased. But in market share, the percentage of radio listeners in Toronto tuned in, it's been up and down. The morning show, with Don Landry and Gord Stellick, has not improved its position. In the fall of 2008 survey, its share dropped to a 4.6 in 2007. There is a sense among some that the on-air talent has become stale. One journalist, upon returning to Toronto after several years, said, "I couldn't believe that [several personalities] were still on the air, sounding the same, saying the same things, filling the same slots." But Millman said he believes in consistency. "I think sometimes radio stations hurt themselves with too much tinkering," he said. "My decisions are made based on the trending of ratings over a period of time, direct audience feedback and my 37 years of experience. I think it's important for the audience to develop relationships with the on-air talent, and that takes time." The bread and butter for all-sport radio, which targets well-to-do males 25 to 54, is automotive advertising. And the decline in that sector has been precipitous. Millman wouldn't comment on speculation The Fan 590 is several million dollars short of its sales target. A call to Richard Gray, who is in charge of Team 1200 in Ottawa, was not returned. In Vancouver, advertising for radio is off by 20 per cent, a source said. In addition to auto dealership sales, real estate revenue also is down. Robert Gray, Team 1040's program manager, said, "The challenge is keeping the station growing without getting more dollars." He said he is hopeful staff will not be cut. "We're really focused on being as efficient as we possibly can," he said. An additional burden for Team 1040 is a rights fee of \$1.2-million the station is paying the Vancouver Canucks annually to air their NHL games. Team 1040 overpaid for the rights to itself of competition from the upstart Mojo all-sport station, which changed formats after Team 1040 cut its deal with the Canucks. But the NHL postseason is where significant dollars are earned, and the Vancouver team has underperformed. It missed the playoffs last year, and could again. "You don't bank on them making the playoffs," Robert Gray said. "But you have a pretty strong expectation that they will more often than not." The Ottawa Senators, carried on Team 1200, are unlikely to make it into the NHL postseason. Nor are the Toronto Maple Leafs, who are broadcast on Corus Entertainment-owned AM 640 in Toronto, a news-talk station that pays the club close to \$2-million annually for radio rights. But the news isn't bad everywhere. Wayne Bews, the general manager of CTV's Team 990 in Montreal, said advertising sales for Quebec radio, French and English, are up slightly from a year ago. "I was joking with one of my buddies from Alberta over the weekend," Bews said. "I said, 'We can't go into a recession in Quebec because we've been in one since 1976.'" Radio in Alberta, which includes the Rogers-owned Fan 960 in Calgary and Astral's Team 1260 in Edmonton, also is weathering the storm, largely because of the province's pet dollars. "It's hard to imagine putting these two provinces together," Bews said. "But Alberta and Quebec are both up in radio, while the rest of the country is down." One advantage for radio in tough times is it offers cheap advertising relative to print and television. Millman said, because of the nature of sport radio, it is essential to maintain local programming in the two big revenue-producing time slots, the morning and afternoon drives. "Sports radio is a local phenomenon," he said. "And I think it's incumbent that your prime-time hours are locally focused." But a locally produced show, counting the salary of a host and producer, costs a station \$100,000 or more. A syndicated show can be bought for a few thousand. Not surprisingly, sport radio staffers are anxious. One said he takes it day by day. "I wake up every day, turn on the radio, and if I don't hear country music, I go into work," he said. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Toronto, ON Globe and Mail dated 2/12/09:
CBC Radio ads not ruled out: Heritage Minister, GUY DIXON AND JAMES BRADSHAW.
The federal Heritage Minister says he'd consider allowing advertising on CBC Radio to help the broadcaster deal with revenue issues, but the CBC itself denies it has plans to place commercials on its radio services. "Airing ads on CBC Radio is not being currently considered," CBC corporate spokesman Marco Dubé said yesterday, adding the CBC expects to have a balanced budget for the 2008-09 fiscal year ending March 31. However, speaking to the Heritage Subcommittee on Monday, Heritage Minister James Moore acknowledged during questioning that he isn't ruling out any option that could help the CBC or any other broadcasters, all of which are facing challenging economic times. During the meeting, Moore appeared open to the idea of ads on CBC Radio if the CBC were to show interest, but he made it clear the issue has yet to be raised. "It has not been discussed with CBC and Radio Canada. It's not something that we are looking at doing but we are very conscious of the needs of the CBC, the pressures that they're facing and I would certainly work with them on any option that they think would work to best serve their mandate in serving Canadians," Moore said. NDP Heritage critic Charlie Angus, who raised the question about ads and CBC Radio during the committee meeting, said yesterday that he is surprised by Moore's comments. "He revealed his government's inclination to support the introduction of commercials on CBC Radio. But he also talked about the financial troubles that the CBC is in," Angus said. "What are those financial troubles? We know that CBC English television has done some unusual program buying. They have purchased some very big name, very expensive, American programs in the hopes of getting advertising return on those." Angus argued that the hoped-for "advertising golden egg has not panned out." It's not a problem solely at the CBC. All broadcasters have suffered during the current economic downturn. Speculation among Ottawa insiders is that the shortfall from costly programming and lower advertising revenue at CBC-TV could be as high as \$100-million. On the flip side, the extra revenue which the CBC could gain from ads across all of its English and French radio services is estimated to be roughly \$95-million. But the consensus among CBC watchers is that radio commercials would spark a listener outcry. Angus noted that CBC had asked during its last license renewal for permission to at least look at the option to place advertisements on CBC Radio. According to Angus, the regulators rejected this, but the question now is whether the government could push regulators to approve this option if the CBC were to ask for it again. "Given the kind of ideology behind the [Conservative government], given the massive drop in revenue that I think the CBC is going to have to admit to, because of the downturn, are they looking to move into commercial radio?" Angus asked. As Heritage Minister, Moore has previously come under fire from Opposition MPs over the Conservative's much-publicized \$44.8-million in programs cut from the government's arts and culture portfolio last fall. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from **Financialpost.com** dated 2/13/09:
CRTCC changes its tune on radio playlists. Except in Montreal and Ottawa, Grant Surridge, Financial Post.

The federal broadcast regulator upheld rules Wednesday limiting the amount of popular music English-language FM radio stations in Montreal and Ottawa can play, a situation one broadcaster says puts it at a disadvantage. The Canadian Radio-television Telecommunications Commission said commercial FM stations in those two bilingual markets will remain restricted to devoting at maximum 50% of their air time to top 40 hits. The rules were implemented in 1975 as part of wider measures to protect AM broadcasters. But because French-language FM broadcasters must play at least two-thirds of their set lists as French-language songs, owners of those stations were concerned they would be at a disadvantage alongside their English-language competitors. The CRTC also chose to eliminate limitations on top 40 hits produced before December 1980 for other English markets in Canada. The CRTC originally imposed those rules to protect the niche market for so-called "oldies" AM stations. However, the 20 oldies format AM stations – out of a total of 150 English-language AM stations in the country – saw their collective losses mount over the past decade, while all English-language AM reported a 7% profit margin. Those changes will likely lead to additional FM formats springing up across the country, including more oldies formats on the FM dial. The rules regarding bilingual markets effectively mean that English-language stations in bilingual markets must devote half their air time to music many see as unpopular. "[Stations] are forced to play music there is no demonstrated interest in, and in some cases, a demonstrated interest in 'We hate this,'" said Chuck McCoy, vice-president of marketing for Toronto-based Rogers Media Inc. The company believes that English listeners in bilingual markets simply abandon English-language commercial radio altogether in favour of iPods, internet streams and satellite radio. Rogers operates two commercial FM and one AM English-language station in Ottawa and none in Montreal, but it has no French stations in those markets. Executives with the company said Wednesday that one of its stations in Ottawa is losing money. Rogers lobbied the CRTC to have the bilingual rules changed. Broadcasters that operate both French and English language stations in those markets did not request such changes. One of those broadcasters, Astral Media Inc, did not respond to requests for a comment Wednesday. The decision to keep the bilingual market rules in place comes despite the CRTC admitting that in Montreal most of the francophone audience has moved "to French-language talk stations, not English-language music stations." In its decision, the regulator said that the audience share for French-language music stations dropped to 53% in 2007 from 62% in 2003, while the audience share for French-language talk stations increased by almost the same amount. The agency said that the number of new stations coming on board in Ottawa over the past five years makes it too difficult to say whether the regulations have been effective in stopping the migration of francophone listeners away from French-language FM stations. "For an English language listener you're kind of being sacrificed at the altar of that policy," said Stephen Zolf, a Toronto area communications lawyer. The CRTC created rules governing hit music when it could "control market entry and control what consumers could access," said Susan Wheeler, vice-president of regulatory affairs for Rogers Media. "Those days are long gone." (DP-H)

Mike Sanburn sends along the following re Pat Martin in Pop Comm Magazine from Dennis Vroomski of Salmon Creek, WA dated 2/12/09:

Just finished reading the March 2009 edition of "Popular Communications" at Barnes & Noble. Your 3,000 QSL milestones was mentioned in Bruce Conti's column. Also a picture of the QSL card. (Congrats, Pat!! – ye ed). (MS-C)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Paul Walker, Sr. dated 2/18/09:

KRKO Debuts Expanded Signal Monday
After years of battling to get to build its new tower array, S-R BROADCASTING Sports KRKO-A (NORTHSOUND 1380)EVERETT, WA is finally switching on its 34,000 watts daytime/50,000 watts nighttime signal with HD RADIO and is adding THE CONTENT FACTORY/FOX SPORTS RADIO's DAN PATRICK for 6-9a, all starting MONDAY (2/23). The station, which recently added PREMIERE's JIM ROME and THE CONTENT FACTORY's TONY BRUNO and is a FOX SPORTS RADIO affiliate, is also planning to expand local afternoon host JEFF "THE FISH" AARON from 3-6p to 3-7p PT. "These are the heavyweights of sports talk radio," said KRKO GM ANDY SKOTDAL. "Our hosts get the high-profile guests, including commissioners, managers, and players that cause even casual fans to pause and listen until the interviews are over. It's compelling content." KRKO is 34,000 Watts Non Directional Day and 50,000 Watts from 4 towers beaming Northwest. (PM-OR)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Las Vegas, NV Review-Journal dated 3/7/09:

LEFTOVERS: Dodgers leaving Las Vegas?
For many people, the sound of Vin Scully's voice calling Los Angeles Dodgers games on the radio is synonymous with summer. But for the first time in more than 40 years in Southern Nevada, there's a good chance Dodgers broadcasts won't be heard locally this season. KSNV-AM (1140), which had carried Dodgers games locally since 2001, changed its format Monday. "KYDZ Radio" is shifting its programming to "family-friendly music" featuring the likes of the Jonas Brothers and Miley Cyrus. But there is hope for local Dodgers fans. Laryn Lukin, vice president of broadcasting for the Dodgers, said Friday, "We're actively looking for a new affiliate," although, "As of this point, we haven't been able to come up with any new station yet. It may take us a few weeks, but we're hopeful to be able to stay in Las Vegas. It's one of our top markets." KBAD-AM (920), formerly KORK-AM, broadcast Dodgers games locally from the mid-1960s to 1979, and then KDWN-AM (720) carried them from 1980 to 2000. In 2002, it also appeared Dodgers games would not be aired here, but shortly after the season started, KSNV's then-general manager, Marty Basch, convinced his superiors to carry them. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Daily Interlake (Kaispel, MT) dated 3/9/09:

KGEZ owner files for bankruptcy. By JOHN STANG/The Daily Inter Lake
KGEZ radio station owner John Stokes filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection last week. Stokes filed the paperwork Wednesday in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Butte. The filings also cover his two unregistered corporations, Z-600 Inc. and Skyline Broadcasting, court documents said. He then filed notifications of the bankruptcy action in Flathead County District Court and the Montana Supreme Court, where he is appealing a jury's \$3.8 million defamation judgment against him. Last September, a Flathead County District Court jury found that Stokes, who is also a radio host on his station, made malicious false statements over the air against neighboring businessmen Davor and Todd Gardner. "We were expecting [the bankruptcy filing], it's

another step in his legal maneuvers," Todd Gardner said Monday. Stokes could not be reached for comment Monday. Under Chapter 11, the business or person in debt can reorganize their debt payments to satisfy creditors that it could not otherwise pay. A bankruptcy judge and creditors must approve such a plan for it to become valid. Meanwhile, debt-collecting efforts, including litigation, are put on hold. The jury had ordered Stokes to pay \$1.8 million in actual damages and \$2 million in punitive damages to the Gardeners for slaming them with malicious false accusations on his daily talk show. The jury also ruled that Stokes, Z-600 Inc. and Skyline Broadcasting are all the same entity and liable jointly for the \$3.8 million in damages. During the trial, the Gardeners' attorney argued that Stokes routinely plays a shell game with the defunct corporations, saying he is an officer or he is not an officer, depending on what is convenient for him at a specific time. That defamation trial was a spin-off from a 2001-05 legal dispute between Stokes and the Gardeners that had loose ends dangling until 2007. KGEZ has two radio towers on 32 acres of easements on a 160-acre site, of which Doug Anderson and the Gardeners own each segments. The Gardeners own a recreational-vehicle store and an auction barn near KGEZ on U.S. 93 South. Stokes had claimed his easements essentially gave him an ownership right over the entire 160 acres. The Gardeners and Anderson disputed that in court and prevailed in 2005. Stokes had criticized and accused the Gardeners of wrongdoing for almost eight years during his morning talk radio show. The Gardeners won their defamation lawsuit against Stokes for three broadcast statements he made in 2007. During the trial's punitive stage, Stokes said he could not pay \$3.8 million and he would have to go out of business if required to do so. Last year, Stokes advertised selling the entire radio station, including its 6.65-acre site, for \$4 million. However, Fred Leistikio, the city's airport director, told the Kaispel City Council in November that the station's appraised value is \$650,000. The city government has been unsuccessfully trying to persuade Stokes to move KGEZ's two 325-foot radio towers to Lakeside to remove them from the airport's airspace. The city has offered to pay the entire moving and set-up bill, which is estimated at \$500,000. Reporter John Stang may be reached at 758-4429 or by e-mail at jstang@dailyinterlake.com. (DP-H)

Pat Martin sends along the following from the NRC DX Reflector dated 3/12/09:

Air America signs Montel Williams for daily radio show. By David Hinckley, NY Daily News
Montel Williams, the long-time TV host, has signed on for a three-hour daily radio show on the progressive radio network Air America. Williams will start April 6, and run from 9 am to noon. It has not been announced whether his show will be carried on Air America's flagship station in New York, WWRL (1600 AM). WWRL currently runs paid programming and the Ron Daniels show in that slot. Williams hosted an award-winning, self-titled TV show from 1991 until last May. He has come under some criticism lately for hosting an infomercial selling Barack Obama "commemorative coins." Air America announced last week it is forming a syndication division, which will distribute programs like "Newsweek on Air." (PM-OR)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Deane McIntyre of Calgary, AB dated 3/13/09:

CJYQ-930 St John's Newfoundland has applied to the CRTC to reduce its daytime power from 50kW to 25 kW, and to relocate the transmitter due to "numerous acts of vandalism made against its transmitter facilities." Night power remains at 25 kW. The link to the application documents gives a 404 error so I do not know where the transmitter is being relocated to – it is not yet in the Industry Canada Broadcasting Database as well. <http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2009/2009-140.htm#3>

St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, Application No. 2009-0249-6

Application by Newcap Inc. relating to the licence of the English-language, commercial AM radio programming undertaking CJYQ. St-John's to amend the technical parameters of its transmitter CJYQ St-John's by relocating the antenna site and by reducing the transmitter power from 50,000 watts to 25,000 watts day-time. The station's night-time transmitter power will remain unchanged at 25,000 watts. The licensee states that the antenna relocation is necessary due to the numerous acts of vandalism made against its transmitter facilities. The licensee anticipates a reduction in power to approximately 79,000 individuals with the population served by its 15 mV/m contour reduced from 149,655 to 70,522. (PM-OR)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Galveston, TX Daily News dated 3/13/09:

Island radio station making a comeback. By Leigh Jones, The Daily News
GALVESTON – After years of changing musical formats and a gradual slide into obscurity, island radio station KGBBC is going back to its roots. Since it first started broadcasting in 1947, the station was a vital part of the community, delivering music, local news and coverage of community events, said Vandy Anderson, one of the station's former owners. Julian Arango, whose family now owns the station, said he plans to bring KGBBC back to prominence as a source of local entertainment and news. The Arangos, whose company Siga Broadcasting owns several other small stations around the state, bought KGBBC about six years ago. Arango said. Until about three weeks ago, the family leased the station out to other people to operate, a business plan it uses for all but one of its stations. But after Hurricane Ike, the Arangos decided to operate KGBBC themselves because of its smaller market, Arango said. The format will be more personal than the corporate fare offered by stations in larger markets, he said. The station, which broadcasts on 1540AM, is now playing a mixture of music from the 1960s through the 1980s. The Arangos have dubbed it "sounds of the bay." In the next few months, Arango plans to add local, on-air disc jockeys and talk show hosts to the mix. As general manager, Arango is searching the island for possible talent. He also wants to create relationships with island businesses that might have expertise, like landscaping or home repair, they can offer on air during regular shows, he said. "We'll have all the good stuff that comes along with being a local station," he said. As a community service, the station will also offer information to islanders during a hurricane, something that's lacking now, Arango said. Island residents still share stories of riding out Hurricane Alicia in their cars, listening to KGBBC for weather updates, Anderson said. KGBBC's studios used to be in downtown Galveston, but in 1959, owner Jim Bradner moved both the studio and the transmitter to Pelican Island. In 1964, a group of local businessmen bought the station, operating it until the late 1990s, said Anderson, who joined the owners in the late 1960s. Anderson welcomed news of the station's return. "This community definitely needs a radio station," he said. KGBBC is looking for local on-air talent. For information, visit www.kgbct1540.com. (DP-H)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Chris Knight of Fort Lupton, CO dated 3/15/09:
780-XEMF in Monclova, Coah was a strong station this winter, but doesn't seem to be there any longer. There was a recent report of 780 Monclova using XEWGR calls which have been in use on 1260. Local DXer John Wilkins has been monitoring a weak SS signal in the evenings and mornings on 779.93 kHz and thinks this could be them, but it is very weak. Has anyone else heard this or have ideas who it could be? 780 seems wide open now after WBBM is phase-nullified. (They were strong here too most nights-ye ed RW-NM) (PM-OR)

Dale Park sends along the following from Milve.com dated 3/15/09, from the Ann Arbor MI News:
Ann Arbor's WLBV to switch to programming from the Business Talk Radio Network, by Roger LeLievre | The Ann Arbor News
WLBV, Ann Arbor's liberal talk radio station, will drop the Air America format Monday in favor of programming from the Business Talk Radio Network. The new Business Talk (1290 AM) weekday lineup will feature the nationally-syndicated show "Doug Stephan's Good Day" from 4 to 9 am. That will be followed by local programming from Lucy Ann Lance from 9 am to noon (effective March 23), the nationally-syndicated financial advice call-in program "The Dave Ramsey Show" from 2 to 5 pm and programming from national consumer advocate Clark Howard from 5 to 8 pm. Lance's Saturday show, which began in January, will continue in the 11 am to 2 pm time slot. Lou Perry's local call-in program will air from 11 am to 1 pm Sunday. General manager Scott Meier said the new format will serve a growing need for intelligent financial and business information in Washtenaw County. No change in call letters is planned. The station is owned by Cumulus Media, which also owns three other stations in this market: WQKL, WWWW and WTKA. WLBV, with a program of nationally-syndicated programs like "The Stephanie Miller Show" and "The Ed Schultz Show," went on the air in August 2004. Previously, it had broadcast oldies under the name "Honey Radio" and call letters WHNE. "Ann Arbor deserves a local business station to help local business men and women tell their stories," Meier said. "We plan on providing a media platform for the good news of our community from SPARK, the DDA, the local CVBs, chambers and startup companies." In the most recent Arbitron ratings book of commercial stations in this market, WLBV ranked near the bottom with a 0.9 share. Struggling Air America, under new ownership after filing for bankruptcy in 2006, recently rebranded itself as Air America Media. (DP-HI)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Mike Brooker of Toronto, ON dated 3/16/09:
Online campaign warns of ads on CBC Radio, THE CANADIAN PRESS
CBC's board of directors met Monday to discuss strategies for the economic downturn as a watchdog group warned against putting ads on CBC Radio – a possibility that the public broadcaster raised last month. CBC spokesman Marco Dube would not speculate on the nature of the closed-door meeting, expected to continue Tuesday, saying only that a difficult economic climate will force it "to make difficult choices that will affect our people and our programs." Ian Morrison, spokesman for Friends of Canadian Broadcasting, predicted deep cuts to staff and programming, but also said that the broadcaster has been eyeing the ad revenue potential of CBC Radio.

Full article: <http://www.thestar.com/entertainment/article/603136>. (PM-OR)

Dale Park sends along the following from KTUL.com (Tulsa, OK) dated 3/18/09:

KRMG Begins Simulcasting on FM 102.3 FM
Tulsa – Tulsa news radio station KRMG can now be heard on the FM side of the dial. But it means the end for another radio station. Dan Lawrie, Cox Radio Tulsa vice President and Market Manager, made the announcement this afternoon. "During times like these, Tulsans are hungry for the latest news and information," Lawrie says. "And adding KRMG to the FM dial will allow more of our community to conveniently access breaking news, up to the minute weather and traffic, and America's leading talk radio hosts." 8 Talkback: KRMG Radio will be broadcast on the FM side of the dial at 102.3, which was the home of Spirit 102.3 FM, which played contemporary Christian music. Lawrie says despite Spirit 102.3 FM being off broadcast radio, listeners can still access it on the internet. "We want to thank our loyal Spirit 102.3 FM listeners for three great years on the air," Lawrie said. "And, we hope many of you will continue to listen to the station at www.spirit1023.com while at home or work." Cox Radio owns KRMG, K95.5 FM, Star 103.3, Mix 96 and KKCM-FM in Tulsa. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from WSMV.com dated 3/20/09:

"Radio Station Broadcasts For Final Time – Nashville News Story – WSMV Nashville"

The link: <http://www.wsmv.com/news/18976387/detail.html?taf=nash>

WSMV-TV story about end of WDKN-1260 Dickson TN (webpage would not load-ye ed) (DP-HI)

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- OF SPECIAL INTEREST**
940 **KOBY UT**, Cedar City 4/2 2058 with "KOBY" then gone, ex-KNNZ. (BB-AZ)
1010 **KPCW UT**, Tooele heard 3/27 at 2100 with "You're listening to KPCW ?? Park City" then into Public Radio, way under KXXT. This is a call change from KCPW. (BB-AZ)
1100 **KIVA NM**, Milan 3/30 noted new call ID, still relaying KQNM-1550. Ex-KKJY. (BN-NM) *****
- 530 **TIS CA**, Vacaville 3/10 1100 new station giving information about the City of Vacaville. Coming in good, but no call letters announced while listening to the station. (CM-CA)
590 **KUGN OR**, Eugene 3/28 0851 "Newstalk 5-90 KUGN," good with others. (AB-ID)
KQNT WA, Spokane 3/18 0000 Fox News and ID. Quite strong for several minutes then nearly gone alone on R-388 with E-W wire. (GH-OR)
610 **KONA WA**, Kennewick 3/29 2158 ad for OTR DVD's, KONA ID at 2159, ABC news at 2200. (AB-ID)
620 **KTAR AZ**, Phoenix 3/26 1003 gent with KTAR ID. New. (AB-ID)
630 **KIDD CA**, Monterey 3/20 0110 AC music, Central Coast Perspective about Big Sur Marathon and Mud Run. "Magic 63" slogan, interference from KPLY. (MF-AZ)
670 **KMZQ NV**, Las Vegas 3/25 2202-2211 excellent signal with "Rock and roll now only on the Q" slogan, into song sung by REO Speedwagon. No sign of KBOI. (CK-UT)
710 **KFIA CA**, Carmichael 3/24 2200-2204 very good signal with call letter ID "7-10 KFIA" after SRN news, then "American Advisor" program. (CK-UT)
780 **KAZM AZ**, Sedona 3/25 2212-2214 fair signal with regional news, "Arizona's Newsradio" slogan. (CK-UT)
790 **KFYO TX**, Lubbock 3/26 2200 with "KFYO Lubbock." (BB-AZ)
800 **CKOR BC**, Penitton 3/17 2350 many "Easy Rock" ID's, big and strong! Obviously on day power. Like a local and alone on R-388 with E-W wire. (GH-OR)
810 **KBHB SD**, Sturgis 3/27 0932with Farm News and ads for Sturgis. This was way on top of KGO and it was after local sunrise. (BB-AZ)
930 **KSEI ID**, Pocatello 3/17 0000 ESPN sports talk and ID barely above CJCA (I think), weak & scratchy on R-388 with E-W wire. Not heard much this season. (GH-OR)
970 **KBUL MT**, Billings 3/31 0432 with "Newsradio KBUL." (BB-AZ)
980 **KBMZ MO**, Kansas City 3/31 0005 with "KMBZ," then lost. (BB-AZ)
KICA NM, Clovis 3/30 2132 with "Grace 980." Thanks to John Bryant on the IRCA e-mail list who got an ID on this one. (BB-AZ)
1050 **KMIN NM**, Grants 3/31 2102 with "Good Country Music, KMIN Grants New Mexico." (BB-AZ)
1100 **KEYF WA**, Dishman 3/31 0937 "AM 10-50 The Key" slogan, poor-fair. (AB-ID)
WZFG MN, Dilworth 3/27 0206 apparently on with high power, on top of 1100 trading places with WWWW and others, with emergency news on the flood stage, sandbagging, etc. "AM Eleven hundred, The Flag" ID, Fargo phone numbers, etc. New. Thanks to Paul Walker for the tip. (PM-OR)
+ 3/28 0106 using full power due to flooding in Fargo area. Briefly atop KFAX/KNZZ with talk about volunteers, mentions of Fargo, West Fargo and Moorhead, "50,000 watt beacon of hope... Floodwatch 2009... this is AM 1100, the Flag, with 24/7 emergency coverage for the Red River Valley." (bp-WA)
- 1130 **?CKWX BC**, Vancouver 3/15 0319 tentative. Heard man saying "News 11-30" during Brigham Young U.-HI post-season basketball play-by-play on KPHI-HI. CKWX mostly level or underneath KPHI, which is subject to deep fades. (5P-HI)
1140 **KYDZ NV**, North Las Vegas 3/27 0213 noted with children's music format, "Kydz Radio 11-40" slogan, Nevada ads. No calls heard but verified on internet that their new format started March 6. (MF-CA)
- 1220 **KDOW CA**, Palo Alto 4/2 2232 back-to-back "AM 12-20 KDOW" ID's, then Dave Ramsey show. (AB-ID)
- 1230 **KCUP OR**, Toledo 3/28 0833 KCUP ID. New. (AB-ID)
- 1240 **KQEN OR**, Roseburg 3/14 2330 male gave ID "Newstalk 1240 K-Q-E-N." Very weak and scratchy, suddenly gone, on Hammarlund with E-W wire. (GH-OR)

1270 KBZZ NV, Sparks 3/10 00:30 man gave "The Buzz" ID into John & Jeff show. Fairly strong and strangely alone on TMC with N-S wire. (GH-OR)

1310 KLIX ID, Twin Falls 4/2 2006 "Newsradio 13-10 KLIX" slogan. (AB-ID)

1340 KLOO OR, Corvallis 3/24 1000 "New Clue KLOO" ID/slogan under KACH. New. (AB-ID)

KUOW WA, Tumwater 3/27 0900 KUOW ID mixing with KTCR. New. (AB-ID)

KSGT WY, Jackson 3/27 0907 KSGT ID. New. (AB-ID)

1350 KDZA CO, Pueblo 4/1 KDZA ID under KTIK. New. (AB-ID)

1420 KRIZ WA, Renton 3/28 1000 KRIZ ID, good with others. New. (AB-ID)

1430 KFIG CA, Fresno 3/14 0000 male gave ID into ESPN sports talk. Fair to poor and choppy on TMC with N-S wire. New! (GH-OR)

KYKN OR, Keiser 4/1 0951 "14-30 KYKN" ID, into Laura Ingraham program. Fair with others. (AB-ID)

1450 KHIT NV, Reno 3/24 2348 sports talk program "Fox Sports Radio 14-50" slogan, top of hour program promo ended in "Here on KHIT, Reno's Fox Sports Radio 14-50."

Format change, new here. (MF-CA)

1490 KTEL WA, Walla Walla 3/15 2315 "quickie" news update and ID, then right down into the jumble on R-390A. Not heard often, last logged 7/07. (GH-OR)

1580 KGAL OR, Lebanon 4/3 0932 "Newstalk 15-80 KGAL," fair to good. (AB-ID)

1640 (WPKA209) CA, Irvine 3/27 local Emergency Broadcast Radio has been noted off the air for several days. (MF-CA)

It is not too often that 8 different states are represented in the list of reporters in one column. Good DX to all! Nancy 4/4 2100

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DOWN THE DIAL

880 KRVN NE, Lexington. 3-19 good to fair over WIJR, splash from WLS-890. 20:30 with local spots, calls, and University of Nebraska sports talk show. [EB-MO]

970 KQAQ MN, Austin. 4-1 fair to poor, mixing with WGTK and WMAY. 22:22 with Classic Country. "Great Hit Country" slogan. Noted music matched web stream. [EB-MO]

1100 WZFG MN, Dilworth. 3-26. 21:30 with city council meeting about evacuating Fargo due to the flooding. New logging for me. [SP-WI]

1140 KGEM ID, Boise. 3-27 good, CHR8B nullified. 22:57 with local spot, "kay-gem" slogan. [NJ-MT]

KYDZ NV, North Las Vegas. 3-27 fair through CHR8B. 23:02 fade up with "Kids Radio 11-40 AM KYDZ..." into song. [NJ-MT]

1510 WWSM PA, Annville-Cleona. 3-26. 21:30 with country format. "Tell your friends your favorite radio station is AM 15-10 WWSM." New. [SP-WI]

25 YEARS AGO

April 14, 1984 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Karl J. Zuk** of Croton, NY discussed pirate radio station KPRC which seemed to be located on Staten Island ... **Pat Martin** of Seaside, OR purchased a Sanyo video recorder for \$299 when his 1977 Sony Beta would cost more to repair than a new machine ... **Jeff Jaisun** of Kirkland, WA noted KJR DJ Jerry Kaye was now on KV

OPEN MIKE

Don't forget the 2009 IRCA Albuquerque Convention is coming up in just 5 months. Have you made your plans to attend? Nancy and I will be there. You can follow me on Twitter @0hrj0hn and I am on Facebook along with quite a few other DXers. This column was typed 4-4-09. 73, John

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 Drake R-8B, 135' N/S LW, Sangean ATS 909

LOGGINGS

950 SC WJKB Moncks Corner. 03/12 2015. Classic C & W on "Saturday Night At The Memories. Good signal with slight fading. "WJKB, AM 950." (IEN-GA)

1230 VA WFVA Fredericksburg. 3/29 1049. Promo for high school play "First in talk, first in news. This is twelve thirty WFVA Fredericksburg" into sports. (KK-VA)

1400 VA WINC Winchester. 3/29 1045. "Coast to Coast AM fourteen hundred WINC" (said as the word "WINK"). Into repeat of "In The Garden." (KK-VA)

1480 SC WZJY Mount Pleasant. 3/22 0155-0246. 0200 "WZJY fourteen eighty AM...." 0201 "...visit... dot org or call 884 422 0700...." 0203 "...number one sports show on WZJY...." (KK-VA)

1490 VA WCVA Culpeper. 3/29 1051. "WCVA fourteen ninety with 'America's Best Music' into EZ listening song." (KK-VA)

1520 NY WWKB Buffalo. 4/2 0640-0735. Mixing w/WARR. "Bill Cross Show". 0700 "This is the voice of the new majority WWKB Buffalo" into CNN Radio news. 0730 "A new voice, a new choice and fifty thousand waits to back it up. The voice of the new majority AM fifteen twenty WWKB Buffalo." (KK-VA)

NC WARR Warrenton. 4/2 0640-0735. Mixing w/WWKB. 0704 Gospel singing. 0718 "fire sale... beautiful furniture... Warrenton...." (KK-VA)

1540 IA KXEL Waterloo. 3/31 0640-0735. Mixing w/WNWR, SS singing and Gospel type singing. 0648 "...KXEL... 45 degrees..." News and sports. 0700 "Iowa's news and talk center. News talk fifteen forty KXEL Waterloo, Cedar Falls" into news. 0705 "Doug Limerick, ABC news" into weather forecast. "I'm Chris Burt storm team meteorologist Lance Renedy (?) news talk fifteen forty KXEL." "Get it first, get it fast, get it now... coverage... this is news talk fifteen forty KXEL. Now 'AM Update' into Dennis Row (?) with news update." (KK-VA)

PA WNWR Philadelphia. 3/31 0640-0735. Mixing w/KXEL, SS singing and Gospel type singing. 0715 "Stay tuned to World Radio AM fifteen forty WNWR Philadelphia and around the world at wnwr dot com. The following program is brought to you by China Radio International." (KK-VA)

1550 TN WIGN Bristol. 3/30 0640-0735. Mixing with CBE and "Fox Sports Radio". 0643 "WIGN...." 0644 "...in Bristol Virginia...." 0646 "Hello America. This is... you're listening to WIGN fifteen fifty AM..." "Guidelines" coming soon to WIGN... Christian country music... into song. (KK-VA)

ON CBE Windsor. 3/30 0640-0735. Mixing w/WIGN and "Fox Sports Radio". 0701 News mentions "Ontario government." 0705 "Fifteen fifty CBE news...." (KK-VA)

1560 SC WAGL Lancaster. 3/28 0640-0735. Mixing w/Radio Disney, Gospel type singing and talk. 0715 "Good morning Carolina. This is WAGL in Lancaster South Carolina beginning another day of broadcasting. WAGL is... by Palmetto Broadcasting System operates on clear channel fifteen sixty at fifty thousand watts." into weather forecast. "This is the 'Music of Your Life' fifty thousand watts..." into song. Be careful IDing this station as online lists show programming as "Oldies". However, per the WAGL program schedule, at www.wagradio.com, there are a mix of oldies and religious programming throughout the day. (KK-VA)

1570 NC WECU Winterville. 3/27 0640-0735. Mixing w/WSCO, C&W and Spanish mx. 0719 "...community Christian dot com... call 683 220... located on Memorial Drive in... North Carolina...." 0727 "This is WECU... North Carolina...." (KK-VA)

WI WSCO Appleton. 3/27 0640-0735. Mixing w/WECU, C&W, religious talk and Spanish singing. 0707 "The morning show on WSCO... The Fox Sports program here on WSCO...." (KK-VA)

1580 MD WHFS Morningside. 3/26 0640-0735. Mixing w/CKDO, religious talk and Spanish. Michael Smerchano (sounded like) call in show discussing crowds at sporting events. 0727 "...hear them all on the 'Big Talker fifteen eighty.'" (KK-VA)

ON CKDO Oshawa. 3/26 0640-0735. Mixing w/WHFS, religious talk and Spanish. Oldies. 0643 "...you're good... KDO...." (KK-VA)

1590 OH WAKR Akron. 3/25 0640-0735. Mixing w/religious preaching, Spanish, C & W and WKTP. 0652 "...thank you doctor... WAKR...." 0729 "...WAKR...." (KK-VA)

TN WKTP Jonesboro. 3/25 0640-0735. Mixing w/religious preaching, Spanish, C & W and WAKR. 0646 EZ mx. 0651 "...WKTP...." 0720 Gives phone number "423 280 6660". Area code 423 is Tennessee. (KK-VA)

1600 OH WTTF Tiffin. 3/24 0640-0735. Mixing w/Gospel MX & talk on WKKX. 0646 Oldies. 0709 "...233 fifty two hundred... WTTF... forecast for Tuesday... daytime highs...." (KK-VA)

WV WKKX Wheeling. 3/24 0640-0735. Mixing w/Gospel MX and oldies on WTTF. 0650 "...sports... WKKX...." 0700 "CNN News": 0710 "...we are AM sixteen hundred WKKX... the home of the... WKKX." 0712 traffic report. (KK-VA)

1610 ON CHHA Toronto. 3/23 0640-0735. Spanish talk and MX. 0646 "...Radio Voices Latinas..." (KK-VA)

1480 MA WSAR Fall River. 3/22 0155-0246. Picked out WZJY and singing from the mix. Only DX Test item I heard was at 0220 sweep tones. Using NRD-545 rx with homemade 134 foot multiband antenna running NW to SE. (KK-VA)

***** Thanks to Craig and Ira this week. Best to all... fresh 4-03 0830 *****

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TRANS ATLANTIC DX ROUNDUP

855 SPAIN, Murcia, RNE-1. 0427 2 Apr. A bit of a surprise, very faint w/two men talking in what "could have been" SS (right inflection), but then heard a news sounder which showed up about 50 seconds later on the RNE1 webstream to clinch it. (NHP-BC)

1215 UNITED KINGDOM, various sites, Absolute Radio. 0526 1 Apr. Just audio traces by now w/man talking, had been heard earlier off and on w/pop mx. Carrier first noted at 0240, about local sunset. Many other carriers noted through evening, but only 855 came close to audio, and was heard the following night. Absolute R also had been heard at similar level on 23 March at 0521, and was noted with weak audio at various times on 2, 3, 4 and 5 April, matching the webstream. (NHP-BC)

TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

531 JAPAN, Morioka, JOQG. 1305 25 March. Man and woman in JJ poor strength but clear //594. (NHP-BC)

558 SOUTH KOREA, Yeong-il, HLQH. 1343 25 March. Woman talking, poor, but could work out //603, especially when both went into instrumental mx. 1352 30 March. Woman talking //603 then mx, mixing with another woman in possible JJ, which would likely be JOCR, both poor to fair. (NHP-BC)

585 JAPAN, Kushiro, JOPG. 1340 2 Apr. Man in JJ poor //594. (NHP-BC)

603 JAPAN, Obihiro/Okayama, JOOG/JOKK. 1345 2 Apr. Instrumental mx, poor to fair strength //594 w/stronger HLSA, but occasionally fading up to equal level. (NHP-BC)

603 SOUTH KOREA, Namyang, HLSA. 1345 31 March. Instrumental mx followed by woman in KK //558. Good signal, best heard in awhile. Also at a similar level, 1318 5 Apr, briefly good w/female vocal pop mx //558 which was much weaker. In addition, traces of NHK1//594 heard underneath. (NHP-BC)

612 JAPAN, Fukuoka, JOLK. 1354 30 March. Woman in JJ fair signal to almost good level. //594. Unusual at any time, usually 4QR here if anything. (NHP-BC)

666 JAPAN, Osaka, JOBK. 1341 25 March. Woman talking in JJ poor to fair //594. (NHP-BC)

738 UNID. Anybody hearing the hum on this channel? It seems to be 36 Hertz with harmonics, and the one bearing I have is slightly south of west, but would be surprised if an Australian had this sort of transmitter problem. First heard on 2 April. (NHP-BC)

837 JAPAN, Niigata, JOGK. 1258 2 Apr. Woman in JJ, poor strength, //594. (NHP-BC)

846 UNID. 1315 31 March. Asian per direction, instrumental "Amazing Grace"; not NHK1, so no idea. Bruce Portzer suggested R Veritas. Do you hear that much, Patrick? (NHP-BC)

936t CHINA, Hefei, Anhui RGD. Likely this one with woman in CC, briefly fair at 1326 on 5 April. (NHP-BC)

945 CHINA, Jiache, CNR1. 1346 28 March. Woman talking, then instrumental mx followed by woman singing, poor to fair //5030. Getting unusual to hear this now. (NHP-BC)

1053 UNID. 1350 31 March. The mighty mysterious 100Hz hum which faded down to reveal a weaker presumed JOAR w/JJ talk by woman. This is in pretty much every morning, 1310 2 April, Korean jammer was heard there as well, with different fading pattern. So it seems this isn't the jammer or JOAR. (NHP-BC)

1512 JAPAN. NHK2 synchros. 1400 31 March. Pips on hour, talk //828, oru something else; pretty nice catch for this time of year, even at this poor level. (NHP-BC)

1557t TAIWAN, Kouhu, Family Radio. 1356 31 March. Presumably this one w/woman in CC, fair strength; there seemed to be something else in the mix also. (NHP-BC)

1584 JAPAN, NHK1 synchros. 1401 31 March. Woman talking in JJ //594, poor at best, w/big hum on channel. These 100 watters would be a shocker during a hot opening in the fall. (NHP-BC)

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Saturday night, March 28, just before midnight, I heard my very local WCBs 880 announce they were going off the air for transmitter maintenance. I couldn't resist. I rose out of bed and headed to my trusty GE Superadio. WCBs was indeed gone. I jumped on the internet and alerted the DX world of the unscheduled event. In the distance, in and out with long periodic fades, was a station with bluegrass music. Could this be KRVN Nebraska floating in? Not tonight! It sounded like a syndicated show with a highly produced sound. I listened for awhile and heard no local content. Murphy's Law of DX followed me throughout. Just when the announcer would come up the signal would fade out. I queried nearby DXer Rick Shaftan who was also listening in. Rick nailed it. Listening to a parallel internet feed, he verified that it was the unlikely CKLQ from Brandon, Manitoba. The show was called into the Blue from the Bluegrass Radio Network and the local time check was, indeed, one hour behind my local EDT. Rick also managed to log a tasty catch: KTNW. WFAN 660 shares the same tower as WCBs 880. Both were off the air while the engineers worked. It was my very first catch from Manitoba on BCB. (I already have this province via ham radio and TV DX.) WCBs came back on only a few minutes later. Back to bed! What a night!

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NOTES: * [For this column] = See comment below

I am very pleased with the verifications I received for my receptions of WHYL-960 and WSAR-1480 during their DX Tests. The WHYL test was a real challenge, given the proximity of WEAV-960 to my location. The WSAR test brought back memories of the equipment tests the station used to run Monday mornings in the early 1970's. In my report to WSAR, I sent .pdf files of two verification letters the station sent me confirming my reception of these tests. Jay wrote: "We were wondering if we could include pix of the 2 reception letters you received in 1970 & '71 on our website in the history section. A little has changed since then. We now use a Nautel NDS5 main & Harris MW5A backup into 2 towers & we're now on 24 hours a day." This column was prepared on 3/30/09. 73, SSH.



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Geomagnetic Summary February 11 2009 through April 7 2009

Tabulated from email status daily.

Date	Flux	A	K	Space Wx
2/11	68	2	1	no storms
12	70	4	2	no storms
13	70	2	0	no storms
14	70	2	1	no storms
15	70	18	3	no storms
16	70	10	2	no storms
17	70	3	1	no storms
18	71	1	1	no storms
19	70	2	1	no storms
20	69	1	0	no storms
21	69	3	3	no storms
22	71	3	1	no storms
23	70	5	1	no storms
24	71	4	2	no storms
25	71	7	1	no storms
26	71	3	1	no storms
27	70	2	1	no storms
2/28	69	9	1	no storms
3/ 1	71	5	1	no storms
2	71	5	1	no storms
3	69	0	0	no storms
4	69	5	2	no storms
5	70	2	2	no storms
6	69	2	0	no storms
7	69	1	1	no storms
8	69	1	0	no storms
9	69	7	1	no storms
3/10	68	0	0	no storms
3/11	69	2	1	no storms
3/12	69	2	2	no storms
3/13	69	7	3	no storms
3/14	68	17	2	minor
3/15	69	8	2	no storms
3/16	68	10	1	no storms
3/17	69	5	0	no storms
3/18	69	3	1	no storms
3/19	68	1	1	no storms
3/20	69	4	2	no storms
3/21	69	5	2	no storms
3/22	70	7	2	no storms
3/23	69	4	1	no storms
3/24	68	3	1	no storms
3/25	69	8	2	no storms
3/26	69	13	1	no storms
3/27	69	9	1	no storms
3/28	72	3	2	no storms
3/29	71	2	1	no storms
3/30	71	3	1	no storms
3/31	71	5	1	no storms
4/ 1	71	3	1	no storms
2	71	3	1	no storms
3	71	1	0	no storms
4	71	1	2	no storms
5	70	1	1	no storms
6	70	3	1	no storms
4/ 7	69	3	1	no storms

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