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IRCA Slogan's and IRCA TIS/HAR 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).

FALL MIDWEST GTG

The annual Midwest DXers for GTG will be held at Springfield MO. DATES: October 30-31 and November 1 Friday-Sunday. LOCATION: Budget Inn 2455 N Glenstone. Phone 417 866 7460. This is same motel we had a GTG in the past, on business route 65 about 1/2 mile south of I-44 Exit 80 on west side of the street. Since this is an informal event we will meet in motel rooms. A tour of Meyer communications a local owner of several Springfield stations is planned for Saturday. Meyer owns KTXR FM, KWTO AM/FM and KBFL AM/FM. KTXR morning DJ Jamie Turner will show us around. Also will try to see if DXer Randy Stewart can give us a tour of the PBS station where he works. As Branson MO is only 35 miles south some of you may want to take in a few shows while there.

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CALL LETTER CHANGES

FREQ	OLD CALL CITY	NEW CALL
570	KNRS Salt Lake City, UT	KACP
660	KGDP Oildale, CA	KWVE
690	KSIP Pueblo, CO	KWRP
700	WVBB Orange-Athol, MA	WTUB
1250	new Johnstown, CO	KDCO
1340	WALR Atlanta, GA	WIFN
1370	KPCO Quincy, CA	KRAC
1390	WKIC Hazard, KY	WZQQ
1410	WBQB Leesburg, FL	WRHB
1510	WDRF Woodruff, SC	WGUL
1540	WRSM Sumiton, AL	WKGD
1600	KSFT St Joseph, MO	KESJ
1650	WDZP Dover, DE	WAMS

FORMAT CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY	OLD INFO	NEW INFO
540	XESUR	Tijuana, BCN	talk	Spanish contemporary Christian
590	WDWD	Atlanta, GA	R Disney	silent
660	KWVE	Oildale, CA	KGDP, silent	contemporary Christian
690	KWRP	Pueblo, CO	KSIP, silent	classic hits "Oldies 690"
700	WEEL	Dothan, AL	oldies	silent
850	WGVG	Muskegon, MI	news/talk	oldies
860	WAMO	Milvale, PA	urban AC	silent
880	KLRG	Sheridan, AR	silent	talk
890	WAMG	Dedham, MA	sports	format not known
900	KBIF	Fresno, CA	religious teaching	ethnic
980	KFWB	Los Angeles, CA	news	talk
1010	WGUN	Atlanta, GA	religious teaching	adult standards

1030	WNOW	Mint Hill, NC	tropical	Spanish news-talk
1050	WSEN	Baldwinsville, NY	classic hits	oldies
1060	KIPA	Hilo, HI	silent	ethnic
1080	KCNM	Navy Hill, MP	silent	news-talk
1090	WQAP	Rice Lake, WI	classic country	Fox sports
1130	WASP	Brownsville, PA	oldies	classic hits
1140	WRLV	Saltersville, KY	country	silent
1150	WXKO	Ft. Valley, GA	black gospel	silent
1150	KOLJ	Quanah, TX	silent	classic country
1160	WSKW	Skowhegan, ME	sports	oldies
1170	WSOS	St Augustine Beach, FL	tropical	regional Mexican
1170	KLOK	San Jose, CA	Spanish news-talk	format not known
1190	WIXE	Monroe, NC	silent	traditional country
1200	WANS	Anderson, SC	sports	talk
1210	WDGR	Dalhousie, GA	ethnic	silent
1230	KLWT	Lebanon, MO	talk	contemporary Christian
1230	KOZA	Odessa, TX	Spanish oldies	Tejano
1240	WPBQ	Flowood, MS	sports	silent
1240	WKIQ	Eustis, FL	adult contemporary	silent
1260	KGIL	Beverly Hills, CA	talk	adult standards
1270	WMCL	Monticello, MS	silent	gospel music
1290	KIVY	Crockett, TX	oldies	adult standards
1290	WATO	Oak Ridge, TN	silent	talk
1310	WDKD	Kingstree, SC	soft adult contemp	classic rock
1330	WJSS	Havre de Grace, MD	talk	black gospel
1340	WDCR	Hanover, NH	silent	variety
1340	WJYK	Connellsville, PA	oldies	classic hits
1350	WOAM	Peoria, IL	silent	adult standards
1400	WLLH	Lowell, MA	sports	format not known
1400	WGAP	Maryville, TN	talk	classic country
1400	new	Vernal, UT	new	format not known
1410	WYIS	McRae, GA	news-talk	silent
1410	WSHY	Lafayette, IN	talk	adult hits
1430	WXKS	Everett, MA	tropical	Spanish hits
1450	new	Helendale, CA	new	format not known
1480	WGVU	Kentwood, MI	news-talk	oldies
1490	WKYW	Frankfort, KY	talk	regional Mexican
1490	WTVJ	Deland, FL	regional Mexican	silent
1510	WPGR	Monroeville, PA	black gospel	silent
1520	WSBX	Ochlocknee, GA	Spanish rock	modern rock
1550	WIGN	Bristol, TN	southern gospel	talk
1550	WAZX	Smyrna, GA	format not known	silent
1550	KESJ	St Joseph, MO	KSFT, oldies	sports
1570	KZLI	Catoosa, OK	adult standards	talk
1570	WVOJ	Fernandina Beach, FL	regional Mexican	Spanish contemporary Xitan
1580	WTTN	Columbus, WI	oldies	Spanish sports
1590	WXRS	Swaitsboro, GA	black gospel	oldies
1660	WBCN	Charlotte, NC	sports	talk
1670	KNRO	Reidding, CA	news-talk	Fox sports

FACILITY AND PARAMETER APPLICATIONS AND GRANTS

(/A) = application, (G) = grant

540	WETC	Wendell-Zebulon, NC	8000/500 DA-2 to 10000/500 DA-2 (G)
540	WLIE	Islip, NY	2500/220 DA-2 to 10000/250 DA-2 (G)
590	WJMS	Ironwood, MI	5000/1000 DA-n to 5000/900 DA-N (G)
610	WVBE	Richmond, VA	5000/1000 DA-2 to 7000/2500 DA-2 (G)
630	KTKK	Sandy, UT	1000/500 DA-2 to 935/484 DA-2 (A)
940	KTON	Bellton, TX	1000/5 DA-2 to 3500 DA2 (A)
940	WCSY	South Haven, MI	1000/5 DA-2 to 300 DA-D (G)
980	KRTX	Rosenberg-Richmond, TX	1000/4000 DA-N to 5000 DA-D (G)
990	KAML	Kenedy-Karnes City, TX	250/770 ND to 500/500 DA-3 (A)
1010	KXEN	St Louis, MO	5000/500 DA-2 to 5000/420 DA-2 (G)
1180	KYET	Williams, AZ	10000/250 ND to 6000/1 ND (A)
1190	KRFI	Desoto, MO	10000/22 DA-2 to 10000/6500 DA-2 (G)
1210	WQLS	Ozark, AL	10000/4 ND-D to 10000/3 ND3 (A)
1260	KWNX	Taylor, TX	1000/144 ND to 2500/400 (A)
1290	WATO	Oak Ridge, TN	5000/500 DA-2 to 1000/14 ND (G)
1290	WOWZ	Appomattox, VA	6000/17 ND to 10000/17 ND (G)
1320	KSCR	Eugene, OR	1000/40 ND to 600/40 ND (G)
1330	WKTA	Evanston, IL	5000/17 DA-D to 5000/110 DA-2 (A)
1360	KDJW	Amarillo, TX	500/137 ND to 6000/320 DA-2 (A)
1380	WGVY	Greenville, AL	1000/89 to 500 DA-2 (G)
1430	WEFF	Highland Park, IL	1000/29 DA-2 to 1600/750 DA-2 (G)
1430	WHAN	Ashland, VA	1000/31 ND to 50000 DA-D (G)
1440	WFNY	Gloversville, NY	3600/500 ND to 5000/500 DA-N (A)
1460	KHOJ	St Charles, MO	5000/85 DA-D to 5000/210 DA2 (A)

1470 KFMZ Brookfield, MO 500/20 DA-1 to 5000/50 DA-2 (G)
1530 WMBE Chilton, WI 250 ND-D to 4500 ND-D (G)
1570 WTLK Taylorsville, NC 1000/244 ND to 900/198 ND (A)
1590 WABV Abbeville, SC 1000/26 ND to 14000 DAD (A)

PUBLIC LISTINGS COURTESY OF [THERADIOJOURNAL.COM](http://www.theradiojournal.com) AND [100000WATTS.COM](http://www.100000WATTS.COM):

570: KACP 570 Salt Lake City UT reimagines as "Freedom 570", **100000WATTS.COM** with a new talk lineup separate from former simulcast KNRS-FM 105.7 Centerville/Salt Lake City UT.
590: WDWD 570 Atlanta GA is silent due to a flooded transmitter site.
660: KGDP 660 Oldale/Bakersfield CA returns to the air with a simulcast of contemporary Christian KWVE-FM 107.9 San Clemente CA; new calls KWVE are pending.
690: KIQN 106.9 Pueblo CO and KWPR 690 Pueblo CO return to the air, with country on 106.9 and classic hits/talk on 690.
700/1320: KALL 700 North Salt Lake City UT flips from Fox sports to ESPN; KFNZ 1320 Salt Lake City goes from ESPN to Fox Sports.
850/1480: WGVU 1480 Grand Rapids MI/WGVU 850 Muskegon MI flips from NPR news/talk/jazz to "Real Oldies 1480/850".
890/1400: WAMG 890 Dedham/Boston MA and WLLH 1400 Lowell & Lawrence MA have dropped ESPN Radio; a new format is coming Tuesday.
970: KCMD 970 Portland OR rebrands as "Freedom 970".
1030: WNOW 1030 Mint Hill NC flips from Spanish tropical/religious to Spanish news-talk "Radio Lider".
1050: WSEN 1050 Baldwinsville/Syracuse NY flips from a simulcast of classic hits WSEN-FM 92.1 Baldwinsville to a simulcast of oldies WFBL 1390 Syracuse NY.
1160: WSKW 1160 Skowhegan, ME flips from ESPN sports to oldies as "Legacy 1160".
1190: WIXE 1190 Monroe NC returns to the air with classic country as "The Mighty 1190".
1260: KGLI 1260 Beverly Hills CA flips from talk to standards as "Retro 1260".
1340: WDCR 1340 Hanover NH returns to the air with "Dartmouth College Radio," simulcasting the WebDCR webstream.
1410: WSHY 1410 Lafayette IN flips from talk to a simulcast of WBPE 95.3 with "Bob FM" adult hits.
1430: WXXS 1430 Everett/Boston MA flips from Spanish tropical "Rumba" (still heard on sister station WKOX 1200 Newton MA) to Spanish AC "Mia 1430".
1490: WTVJ 1490 Deland FL is silent, the victim of a truck crashing into a guy wire, bringing its tower down.
1580: WTTN 1580 Columbus WI flips from oldie to ESPN Deportes Spanish-language sports.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBER AND CONTRIBUTOR LISTINGS:

Pat Martin sends along the following from the Everett WA **Herald.net** dated 8/24/09:
KRKO radio tower foes again lose in court.
SNOHOMISH – Construction could begin as early as Monday on two new radio towers in the Snohomish River Valley after opponents lost the latest round in court. The 199-foot AM structures would be identical to three existing towers that occupy the site near Short School Road, said Andy Skotland, a member of the family partnership that wants to build them. A 349-foot antenna also occupies the site. The most recent development came on Friday when King County Superior Court Judge Douglass North upheld a February land-use decision by the Snohomish County Council. S-R Broadcasting, parent company of KRKO-AM 1380, wants the new antennae so it can transmit a new signal at 1520 AM. Skotland, also S-R Broadcasting's president and general manager, said he hoped the new station's signal would be on the air by year's end. Opponents could still challenge the latest decision in the state appeals court. (PM-OR)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Deane McIntyre of Calgary AB dated 8/25/09:
Applications by CHNC-610 New Carlisle Quebec (which has moved to FM) to extend its simulcast period to Dec 1, 2009 and by CBI-1140 to extend its deadline to move to FM to July 9, 2010 have been approved by the CRTc: <http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2009/2009-517.htm>.
Coopérative des travailleurs CHNC, 2009-0592-9 1 May 2009
APPROVED – Extension to 1 December 2009 of the simulcast period for the undertaking authorized in CHNC. New Carlisle and its transmitter CHGM Gaspé – Conversion to the FM band and addition of FM transmitters in Carleton, Chandler and Percé. Broadcasting Decision CRTc 2008-51, 3 March 2008.
Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, 2009-0704-0 20 May 2009
APPROVED – Extension of the time limit to 9 July 2010 to commence the operation of the English-language FM radio programming undertaking authorized in CBI Sydney – Conversion to the FM band, Broadcasting Decision CRTc 2007-222, 9 July 2007. (PM-OR)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Deane McIntyre of Calgary AB dated 8/31/09:
The CRTc has renewed for a short term the license of defunct 99 watt CHEV-1610 Toronto which was due to expire today. In fact CHEV has not operated for years and is no longer in the Industry Canada broadcasting database; could not operate if they wanted to as 1610 is of course now used by CHHA in Toronto. Recently the CRTc has adopted a policy of giving short term renewals to stations whose license is about to expire even if they don't apply for a renewal. I suspect that the CRTc does not know what is going on here. <http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2009/2009-551.htm>.
Administrative renewal.

1. The Commission renews the broadcasting licence for the low-power AM radio programming undertaking CHV Toronto from 1 September 2009 to 31 March 2010. The licence will be subject to the terms and conditions of licence in effect under the current licence.
2. If the licence renewal application has not been received by 31 October 2009 the Commission may not renew the licence further.
3. This decision does not dispose of any substantive issues that may exist with respect to the renewal of this licence. The Commission will issue a decision on the renewal application at a later date. (PM-OR)

Pat Martin sends along the following from Pete Taylor of Tacoma WA dated 9/4/09:
Apparently an eco-oriented group bulldozed through the fence and felled a couple of the new KRKO-1380 towers this morning around 3 PDT. Noted still on the air at 9am PDT so they must not have dismantled the old site or are on an STA with a variance. Because of overoad slop from 1-mile-away KKMO-1360, I can't tell if the IBOC is on. (PM-OR)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Wausau WI Daily Herald dated 9/2/09:

WSAU to be heard on AM and FM radio.
WSAU will begin broadcasting next week on both AM and FM radio stations. In addition to the current 550 AM, the station will broadcast its programming on 99.9 FM on Sept. 9, according to the WSAU Web site. The change will improve the station's signal in Portage and Wood counties, according to the Web site. "The Valley," which is currently heard on 99.9 FM, will move to 102.9 FM. It can also be heard on 94.7 FM. (DP-H)

Pat Martin sends along the following dated 9/4/09:

2 radio towers in Washington State toppled.
EVERETT Wash (AP) – Two radio station towers were toppled early Friday, and the station's manager said an ecoterrorist group's initials were left at the scene. An e-mail to a newspaper said the Earth Liberation Front was responsible. A sign bearing the letters ELF was found near the towers, said Andy Skotland, general manager of KRKO Radio in Everett, about 25 miles north of Seattle. The group is a loose collection of radical environmentalists that has claimed responsibility for dozens of attacks since the 1990s. The towers were torn down because of health and environmental concerns, according to an e-mail to The Herald of Everett from the North American ELF Press Office, which has represented the shadowy group in the past. "We have to weigh our priorities, and the local ecosystem in Everett, along with the local residents, do not need additional sports news radio station towers that come at the expense of reduced property values and harmful radio waves," ELF press office spokesman Jason Crawford said in an e-mail. The group's Web site featured a picture of one of the towers lying on its side with the caption "Earth Liberation Front Topples Two Radio Station Towers in Snohomish County WA," followed by the words "Details coming soon." A call to ELF press office for comment Friday morning was not immediately returned. Snohomish County sheriff's office spokeswoman Rebecca Hover wouldn't confirm that a sign was found. A neighbor told a 911 operator that someone seemed to be attacking the towers with a bulldozer at about 3:30 am, Hover told The Herald. A 349-foot tower and a smaller tower were found on the ground with heavy construction equipment nearby, but deputies and a tracking dog didn't find any suspects, Hover said. Deputies found other, unspecified evidence at the scene, she said. The FBI has taken over the lead of the investigation, Hover said in a statement. The family-owned station remained on the air Friday morning after shifting to other transmission equipment. KRKO's plans to increase its transmission capacity have been embroiled for more than a decade in appeals and litigation over issues ranging from trumpeter swan habitat to potential health hazards to humans. The addition to the station's existing towers in the town of Snohomish, east of Everett, were completed in February, allowing KRKO to boost its AM signal to where it could compete with larger broadcasters in the Seattle-Tacoma area. Neighbors have since complained of interference from radio signals on home telephone and intercom lines. An ELF sign was left on March 3, 2008, at the scene of fires set at a number of houses in a Street of Dreams development at Echo Lake, north of Seattle. Street of Dreams is an annual showcase of new luxury homes in the Seattle area. ELF also has claimed responsibility for other arson in the region, including a fire that destroyed the Center for Urban Horticulture at the University of Washington in Seattle in 2001. The Skotland family also plans to build two 199-foot towers at the same site for a new 5,000-watt AM station that would cover Snohomish County on another frequency. A hearing examiner denied a permit for the towers, based on claims that radio signals could be dangerous to humans. But the council voted to reverse the finding, saying it was based on shaky scientific evidence. A King County judge upheld the council's decision on Aug. 14. "When all legal channels of opposition have been exhausted, concerned citizens have to take action into their own hands to protect life and the planet," Crawford said in the e-mail. Skotland has said he hopes to get the new signal on the air by the end of the year. (PM-OR)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Allentown PA Morning Call dated 9/5/09:

WAEB radio tower toppled in Whitehall, FBI investigates
A 350-foot-tall WAEB radio tower crashed to the ground early Friday in Whitehall Township after its support cables were cut, township police said. Five hours later, two radio towers near Everett, Wash, were knocked to the ground by a bulldozer in what officials feared was an act of eco-terrorism. The FBI said Friday night it is looking into the possibility the two crimes are linked. "The FBI is aware of [the Whitehall case] and is going to be looking into it," said JJ Klaver, FBI special agent in Philadelphia. "I don't want to venture a guess as to whether the two things are related. That's probably premature." Klaver added, however, that it is extraordinary that one radio tower would be toppled in the East and two would fall in the West on the same morning. "These are somewhat unusual incidents," he said. "To have radio towers collapse, I think, is unusual. I've never heard of one radio tower collapsing." So far, he said, Whitehall police have the case. The FBI would take a closer look only if its agents found it likely a federal law had been violated. The WAEB tower, one of five identical towers owned by Clear Channel in a Whitehall field west of MacArthur Road, lay in red and white pieces. Whitehall police said it came down between 1 and 1:30 am. The radio tower property is three miles north of Route 22. Until Friday, the toppled tower stood at the northern end of the property. "It looks like some of the cables were cut," a township police spokesman said. "It appears to be criminal mischief." The Detective Division has the case. "No one was injured, and no homes or commercial buildings in the area were damaged," the spokesman said. WAEB continued to broadcast without interruption Friday, station Program Director Craig Stevens said by e-mail. He said the station adjusted quickly to operate with only four of the five towers. In Washington state around 3:30 am Pacific Time, authorities said, a bulldozer was used to topple two towers of Everett radio station KRKO. One of the towers was 350 feet tall; the other was shorter. An "ELF" sign was left at the Everett area scene, but officials could not confirm the destruction was the work of the anti-development Earth Liberation Front. The KRKO station was planning to add radio towers, and ELF members were known to oppose the plan. There were no similar expansion plans in Whitehall. Whitehall Planning Commission member Dick Drosnock said Friday the Whitehall towers have not been controversial. "I don't know that they have been mentioned at any meeting," he said. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from **MyNorthwest.com** (WA) dated 9/4/09:

ELF claims responsibility in toppling of towers
Two radio station towers near Seattle that have generated intense local opposition were toppled early Friday in an act of sabotage that bore the initials of the radical Earth Liberation Front. A banner purportedly from the Earth Liberation Front was found at the scene. The banner reads: "Wassup Sno city. (with a drawing of a heart) The towers for KRKO-AM - one of which was 349 feet tall - were torn down because of health and environmental concerns, according to an e-mail from the North American ELF Press Office, which has represented the shadowy group in the past. "The ELF would consider radio broadcasting towers legitimate targets because of the effect they have on the environment, as well as the local community, whether that's a human or non-human community," said Jason Crawford, media spokesman, even though he claims he has no direct contact with the radical Earth Liberation Front. The ELF is a loose collection of radical environmentalists that has claimed responsibility for dozens of attacks since the 1990s. A banner that bore the initials of the ELF was left at the scene, authorities said. The FBI has taken over as lead investigator in Friday's incident, and agent Marty Prewett said authorities haven't found any evidence that other individuals or groups besides the ELF were involved. The towers apparently were taken down with a track hoe, a piece of heavy construction equipment that was already on the site, Prewett said. Skotland said part of the tower fell onto the track hoe and damaged the scoop mechanism. "Whoever did it is lucky they didn't get killed," Skotland said. The ELF's Web site featured a picture of one of the towers lying on its side with the caption "Earth Liberation Front: Topples Two Radio Station Towers in Snohomish County, WA," followed by the words: "Details coming soon." Crawford told the AP by telephone he believed more than one person was involved. He said he had not spoken directly with anyone who claimed to be involved but received some e-mail from what appear to be locals who support the action. The towers belonging to KRKO - a family-owned station in Everett, about 25 miles north of Seattle - have prompted complaints from neighbors of interference from radio signals on home telephone and intercom lines. The site for the towers is in the town of Snohomish, about eight miles southeast of Everett. The station's plans to increase its transmission capacity by building more towers on the site have been embroiled for more than a decade in appeals and litigation over issues ranging from trumpeter swan habitat to potential health hazards to humans. A neighbor told a 911 operator that someone seemed to be attacking the towers with a bulldozer or other heavy equipment at about 3:30 am. Snohomish County sheriff's office spokeswoman Rebecca Hoover told The Herald of Everett. Sheriff's deputies on Friday morning found the towers on the ground with heavy construction equipment nearby, Hoover said. The station remained on the air Friday after shifting to other transmission equipment. Skotland announced a \$25,000 reward for information leading to the capture and conviction of whoever was responsible. "We'll use our airwaves to do it, too," Skotland said. The ELF has claimed responsibility for several arson in the region, including a fire that destroyed the Center for Urban Horticulture at the University of Washington in Seattle in 2001. An ELF sign was left at the scene of fires set on March 3, 2008, at a number of luxury houses in a development in Echo Lake, north of Seattle. KRKO's additions to its existing towers in Snohomish were completed in February, allowing the station to boost its AM signal to where it could compete with larger broadcasters in the Seattle-Tacoma area. That's when the complaints from neighbors over telephone interference began. The Skotland family also plans to build two 199-foot towers at the same site for a new 5,000-watt AM station that would cover Snohomish County on another frequency. A hearing examiner denied a permit for the towers, based on claims that radio signals could be dangerous to humans. But the council voted to reverse the finding, saying it was based on shaky scientific evidence. A King County judge upheld the council's decision on Aug. 14. Despite the long-running dispute, the attack was the first on the project, Skotland said. "When all legal channels of opposition have been exhausted, concerned citizens have to take action into their own hands to protect life and the planet," Crawford said in the e-mail. Skotland said the toppled towers should be up and operational again in the first or second quarter of next year, and he hopes to get the new signal on the air in the same time frame rather than later in the year, as planned earlier. Foundations being built for the new towers escaped damage, he added. The action upset one of the leading opponents of KRKO's expansion plans. "It has been a long legal battle and I'm upset to see this kind of violence happen here," Lee Bennett Jr., president of Citizens to Preserve the Upper Snohomish River Valley, told The Herald. "This is not the way to handle it." (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Seattle WA Times dated 9/5/09:

2 radio towers in Washington State toppled
Two radio station towers near Seattle that have generated intense local opposition were toppled early Friday in an act of sabotage that bore the initials of the radical Earth Liberation Front. By TIM KLASS, Associated Press Writer.

Two radio station towers near Seattle that have generated intense local opposition were toppled early Friday in an act of sabotage that bore the initials of the radical Earth Liberation Front. An e-mail from the North American ELF Press Office, which has represented the shadowy group in the past, says the towers for KRKO-AM were torn down because of health and environmental concerns. Authorities say a banner that bore the initials of the ELF was left at the scene. Lora Lee, a spokeswoman for KRKO owner and general manager Andy Skotland, says Skotland doesn't have an immediate damage estimate. Skotland says KRKO remains on the air and will continue to broadcast using a back-up transmitter until the original towers are once again operational. He says KRKO is offering a \$25,000 reward in the case. The FBI is investigating. Agent Marty Prewett says the towers apparently were taken down with a track hoe, a piece of heavy construction equipment that was already on the site. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from **DemocratandChronicle.com** dated 9/8/09:

WHTK-AM will begin simulcasting on WROO-FM, Popular DiTullio show moves to drive time.
Sports Radio WHTK-AM (1280) announced today that it is simulcasting all its content on WROO-FM (107.3) starting midnight Wednesday. The two radio frequencies will feature local and national sports talk, plus live game coverage of the New York Yankees, Rochester Red Wings, Rochester Americans, the University at Buffalo Bulls football and various NFL games. Locally, John DiTullio, WHTK's popular Rochester-based morning sports talk show host, will have his three-hour program broadcast later in the day, from 3 to 6 pm. His show used to run from 9 am to noon. Additionally, the Dan Patrick Show is coming to WHTK and will run during the week. **SPORTS@DemocratandChronicle.com**. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from the West Volusia Beacon online dated 9/8/09:

Tower crashes to ground after DeLand High School football game, BEACON STAFF WRITERS.
A radio-transmission tower estimated at 400 feet tall, crashed to the ground Friday night, Sept. 4, in Earl Brown Park in the aftermath of a DeLand High School game. Hundreds of football fans were gathered in the parking area on the south end of Spec Martin Memorial Football Stadium when the tower tumbled to the earth about 9:55 pm. No one was injured. Witnesses said a jeep pulling out of the parking area had snagged one of the tower's guy wires on its rear bumper. Students saw sparks as the tower began to sway and then buckle and crash, pulling down the power line to the tiny radio-transmitter building as it fell. People standing in the area began screaming and running. Pieces of the tower hit at least three vehicles. "I heard a snap, snap, and then a crash as it fell down," said Nick Lanford, a DeLand High student. "Someone said, 'Look! and I watched it fall over and heard it hit the cars. There was a lot of commotion after that. Everyone was like, 'Aaaaahhh.' Four members of the Alepin family were in Jean (John) Alepin's pickup when part of the tower crashed onto the hood. The family had just watched the DeLand High School Bulldogs blank the Wekiva High School Mustangs, 34-0. "Dad said 'Get down.'" 18-year-old Danny Alepin said. He sheltered his 6-year-old niece, Lexie Alepin, and his 13-year-old sister, Sarah Alepin, also took cover inside the cab. The windshield shattered, and sparks and glass flew around them, the Alepins said. As he surveyed the scene, the tower lying across his shiny white truck. Jean Alepin predicted there would be engine damage. "It hit hard," Jean Alepin said, using his hand to describe how the truck bounced under the weight of the huge structure. Had he not just backed up about a foot, Alepin said, the tower would have hit the cab of his truck leaving he and his children and grandchildren were. The tower broke into sections as it fell, possibly by design, leaving a zigzagging snake of twisted metal lying across the grass and vehicles. The north end of Earl Brown Park was a sea of flashing lights about 10:30 pm Friday. Police and firefighters secured the area around the fallen tower, as a worker from Progress Energy disconnected power to the transmitter shack. The power line to the shack was the only one damaged; there were no outages in the area. The radio tower, which sits on land leased from the City of DeLand, was in use by a Spanish-language AM radio station. Radio has been broadcast from Earl Brown Park since the 1940s. Veteran radio newsmen Al Everson, now a writer for The Beacon, produced hundreds of newscasts that were transmitted by DeLand radio station WXVQ via the orange-and-silver tower. Everson said he believed the tower had stood in Earl Brown Park for as long as 50 years. Five friends - Andrew Barnett, Aaron Comeens, Dakota Williams, Chance Sixma and Stephen McDonald - had just played Sixma's red pickup after watching the DeLand High School football game. They heard the jeep snag the cable, and saw the giant transmission tower begin to sway above them. "My life flashed before my eyes," Sixma said. Two support cables on the south side of the tower remained intact, allowing the young men time to leap from the truck and dash toward South Alabama Avenue, to safety. As it turned out, the tower fell toward the north, away from where they were parked. "It was pretty wild," Jean Alepin said. Slipping in his truck, he watched the landmark fall. "It was like a snake," he said. "It was dancing above us." (DP-HI)

Ye editor sends along the following from the Contra Costa Times dated 9/11/09:

People: Conservative radio host Michael Savage canned at SF radio station KNEW-910. By Randy McMullen, Contra Costa Times.

Fifteen years after launching his radio career in the Bay Area as a starkly conservative and dramatically outspoken commentator, who drew fiercely loyal fans and myriad complaints and protests, Michael Savage finds himself uninvited at a San Francisco station to call home. Radio station KNEW-AM 910 announced Thursday it had yanked Savage's show from its 3-7 pm time slot the day before. "We have decided to go in a different philosophical and ideological direction, featuring more contemporary content and more local information," said a note on the Clear Channel-owned radio station's Web site. "The Savage Nation does not fit into that vision." The "more contemporary content and local information" will now be supplied by the "John and Ken Show," which is syndicated out of radio station KFI-AM in Los Angeles. The show features conservative commentators John Chester Kobyt and Kenneth Robertson Chiamou. Savage's supporters quickly began posting missives on the station's Web site, accusing programmers of lacking the courage to support a radio host who frequently drew controversy for his incendiary remarks on such topics as gay rights, immigration, autism, the Middle East and feminism. "Michael Savage is the only person who speaks the truth about what is really going on," read one comment on the site. "Shame on you for bowing to the communist White House." It was not clear what impact KNEW's move would have on Savage's syndicated show, which claims to reach between 8 and 10 million listeners on more than 400 stations nationwide. The station also did not mention any other moves it was taking as part of its new direction. It still carries trendy and controversial commentator Glenn Beck, for example, and its Web site still boasts the "Babe Page," featuring curvaceous models in skimpy outfits. There was no comment from Savage Thursday on his dismissal. (Ye editor RW-CC)

Dale Park sends along the following from **Deseretnews.com** (Salt Lake City UT) dated 9/14/09:

Utahns really like their sports radio. By Lynn Arave, Deseret News.
Are northern Utahns sports crazy or what? The Salt Lake radio market has no less than four full-time sports radio stations, more than any market in the United States. Perhaps that doesn't seem like a lot, but look at the largest radio markets in the United States: New York, the largest market, has two all-sports radio stations, half of Salt Lake's total. The No. 2 market, Los Angeles, has three all-sports stations; No. 3 Chicago has two; No. 4 San Francisco has three; and No. 5 Dallas/Fort Worth has three. Salt Lakes' four stations are KUOS (AM-1230), KFNZ ("K-Fan," AM-1320), KALL (AM-700) and KZNS (AM-1280). Residents from Ogden to Provo must have a keen interest in sports. However, a report this week from inside Radio says the Miller Kaplan annual power ratios show no other radio format comes close to sports in converting ratings into actual station revenue. In related sports radio news, KALL will become the market's new ESPN affiliate on Aug 31. On that day, KFNZ will become the Fox Sports affiliate, and Jim Rome's show will end up there. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from **WPXI.com** (Pittsburgh PA) dated 9/14/09:

After 61 Years, WAMO Signs Off For Good.
PITTSBURGH - After 61 years on the airwaves, WAMO has signed off for good. The hip hop and R&B radio station had its final broadcast Tuesday evening. The station was sold in May to a religious-oriented group that will most likely broadcast a religious format on the station. "I know that was the only Urban station

around, so I don't know what people are going to do now," said listener Jordan Frantz. "I think it's a sign of the economy and also a sign of a struggling radio industry. I think the fact is that people don't want to listen to in a half hour. 15 minutes of advertising with their 15 minutes of music," said listener Chad Wright. A total of 35 WAMO employees lost their jobs. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Chicago Sun-Times dated 9/14/09:

Pol: News media's credibility plunges to new low, BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

SAN FRANCISCO – The news media's credibility is sagging along with its revenue. Nearly two-thirds of Americans think the news stories they read, hear and watch are frequently inaccurate, according to a poll released Sunday by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press. That marks the highest level of skepticism recorded since 1985, when this study of public perceptions of the media was first done. The poll didn't distinguish between internet bloggers and reporters employed by newspapers and broadcasters, leaving the definition of "news media" up to each individual who was questioned. The survey polled 1,506 adults on the phone in late July. The survey found that 63 percent of the respondents thought the information they get from the media was often off base. In Pew Research's previous survey, in 2007, 53 percent of the people expressed that doubt about accuracy. The findings indicate U.S. newspapers and broadcasters could be alienating the audiences they are struggling to keep as they try to survive financial turmoil. Pew Research didn't attempt to gauge how shrinking newspapers', reduced staffs and other cutbacks at news organizations are affecting people's perceptions, although the reductions probably haven't helped, said Michael Dimock, an associate director for the center. The financial problems mainly stem from a steep decline in the ad sales that generate most of the media's revenue. Newspapers' print editions have been losing readers to the internet, and broadcasters' audiences are fragmenting in an age of cable TV and satellite radio. Newspaper ad sales plunged by 29 percent, or nearly \$5.5 billion, during the first half of this year, according to the Newspaper Association of America. TV ad revenue on broadcast stations dropped by 12 percent, or nearly \$3 billion, during the same period, according to the Television Bureau of Advertising. Radio advertising fell by 23 percent, or \$2.3 billion, according to the Radio Advertising Bureau. The budget squeeze "means facts don't get checked as carefully as they should," according to Bill Keller, executive editor of The New York Times. But he still believes many media outlets still go to great lengths to get the facts right and own up to their mistakes when the information is wrong. "The great flood that goes under the heading 'news media' has been poisoned by junk blogs, gossip sheets, shout radio and cable-TV partisans that don't deserve to be trusted," Keller told The Associated Press in an e-mail. The internet also has made it easier to research information and find errors in news stories, said Kathleen Carroll, the AP's executive editor. And the Web's discussion boards and community forums spread word of mistakes when they're found. Carroll hopes the increased scrutiny and accountability fostered by the internet will lead to better journalism. "We're in the early stages of a changing relationship between news organizations and consumers, who are becoming much more vocal about what they like, what they don't and what they want to know," Carroll wrote in a statement. "It's not always pretty or pleasant, but that engagement can and does help improve coverage." The public's trust in the news media began to deteriorate long before the industry's finances began to droop and the internet hatched more competition – as well as more gossip and speculation. With few exceptions, the news media's credibility has been eroding since 1985. Back then, 55 percent of the respondents believed newspapers and broadcasters generally got things right. By 1999, the figure had fallen to 37 percent. The only time the Pew survey recorded a significant shift in the media's favor was in November 2001, when 46 percent said they believed news stories were accurate. Dimock attributes the anomaly to the sense of goodwill that permeated the United States after the September 2001 terrorist attacks. The most recent poll found just 29 percent believed news reports had the facts straight. (Eight percent said they didn't know.) Similarly, only 26 percent of the respondents said the press is careful to avoid bias. The figure was 36 percent in 1985. As has been the case for years, television remains the most popular news source. The poll found 71 percent of people depend on TV for national and international news. Some 42 percent said they relied on the internet, 33 percent turned to newspapers and 21 percent tuned into the radio. (The figures don't add to up 100 percent because some people cited more than one medium.) A decade ago, only 6 percent of the survey participants said they leaned on the Web for their national and international news while 42 percent relied on newspapers. (TV also led in 1999, at 82 percent). The poll didn't try to determine whether the people who cited the internet as their primary news source were reading Web sites run by newspapers and broadcasters. Television also is the leading outlet for local news, with 64 percent relying on that medium. Newspapers ranked as the second-most popular source for local news at 41 percent, trailed by radio at 18 percent and the internet at 17 percent. In this case as well, people could name more than one source. Even as more people than ever don't believe everything in the news, Pew found that the public still seems to value the media. When asked how they would feel about a news outlet closing, 82 percent said it would be an important loss if there were no local TV news and 74 percent said it would be a major blow to lose their local newspaper. Keller suspects many people cherish the newspaper they read or TV news program that they watch. "Just as polls routinely show that people hold Congress in low esteem but tend to like their own congressman, I think the public is suspicious of the media in general but tends to trust the particular news organization they turn to for news," Keller wrote. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from **SFGate.com** (San Francisco CA) dated 9/14/09:

Savage winner replaced on flagship KNEW-910 by KFI-640's John & Ken, Michael Savage off the air in SF Chronicle Staff Report.

Conservative talk-show host Michael Savage, who often takes shots at San Francisco on his syndicated radio program, has gone off the air in the city. The host of "Savage Nation" has been dropped from KNEW-AM, the Clear Channel-owned station said. A statement on the station's Web site said, "We have decided to go in a different philosophical and ideological direction, featuring more contemporary content and more local information." Savage is being replaced during the 3-7 pm drive-time slot by John and Ken, conservative-leaning Southern California talk-show hosts whose full names are John Kobyit and Ken Chiampou. Savage claims an audience of 8 million to 10 million listeners on nearly 400 stations nationwide. The Marin County

resident recently made headlines when he asked Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton – whom he once described as a "dangerous human being" – to help him after he was banned from Britain for allegedly spreading racial hatred and terrorism. The ban was later lifted. He did not immediately return a call Thursday seeking comment. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Johnstown PA **Tribune-Democrat.com** dated 9/15/09:

Station challenging radio tower taxation, By SANDRA K REABUCK, The Tribune-Democrat.
EBENSBURG – Cambria County Court is being asked to decide whether a radio tower sitting at a remote location is part of the "tools of the trade" and is exempt from taxation by municipalities. Cambria Radioworks – operating as WWGE Radio Station 850 AM "The Edge" – is challenging the county's taxing the station's radio tower in Allegheny Township. The property was scheduled to be sold at today's delinquent tax sale, but date was pulled off the auction block by an order signed Friday afternoon by Judge Timothy Creany. A hearing was not set on the issues raised in the petition. The radio station, with addresses in Ebensburg and Goucher Street in suburban Johnstown, has a radio tower on property it leases from St Francis University in Allegheny Township. Attorney Tim Burns, who represents the radio station, said the tower has been in existence since 1963 and owned by Cambria Radioworks since about 1999. But it was not placed into taxation until 2004, he said. Taxes were paid in 2007 "under protest," he said. Tamra Forgan, the county's chief assessor, said records in the county tax office indicated the property was placed in taxation in 2006. It was put into taxation after the county learned about the tower through a building permit issued by Allegheny Township in 2004 for the tower and two outbuildings. The property is assessed at \$20,460, she said. Sam Runzo, director of the county Tax Claim Bureau, said the property is listed in the tax sale for \$7,288 owed in back and current taxes. But Burns is contending that under court rulings, a tower is "like a tool of the trade" and not taxable. Forgan said the county, under state law, has taxed towers for years. The tower, she said, is not like part of machinery in an industrial establishment that would be exempt. Burns also is alleging that the tower cannot be taxed by local municipalities because the Federal Communications Commission has the exclusive right to regulation signals and broadcasts. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Detroit MI Free-Press dated 9/15/09:

WDFN returns to local programming today, FREE PRESS STAFF

Today is the return of (mostly) local programming for sports radio station WDFN-AM (1130). The station's local talent was laid off in January but now rolls out a new lineup, featuring one of our own. From 7 to 10 am, former WDFN host Sean Balgigan returns to the local airwaves. From 10 to noon, Fox 2 sports reporter Ryan Ermanni takes the wheel. Nationally syndicated host Jim Rome – not ESPN's Colin Cowherd, as originally reported – will be on from noon to 2 pm, and then, Matt Shepard and Free Press columnist Drew Sharp take over from 2 to 6 pm. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from **Mlive.com** dated 9/15/09:

Music from '50s through '70s returns to the airways with WGVU-AM move to oldies format, By The Grand Rapids Press.

GRAND RAPIDS – WGVU AM is answering more than a few West Michigan prayers with newly announced radio station, Real Oldies 1480/850. The all-oldies NPR radio station, playing local to national hits from the mid-'50s to early '70s, will be hosted by former WFGR-FM (98.7), personality Len O'Kelly and Bill Bailey, formerly of WLHT. The announcement comes on the heels of WFGR changing its format from Oldies to Classic Hits – a maneuver that displeased many loyal oldies listeners in the area. "It's our hope that through public support that (oldies music) doesn't get taken away again," O'Kelly said. The format was abandoned in 2004 with WODJ and again recently with WFGR. "Our hope is third time's a charm," O'Kelly said. The station will play a library of over 5,000 oldies hits, with many focusing on local groups that charted in the '60s. WFGR had an oldies library of about 1,000 songs. "We want people to say, 'Wow, I haven't heard that in 40 years,'" O'Kelly said. Also, the station will be the first NPR station in the country to adopt the oldies format, "which is kind of cool," O'Kelly said. O'Kelly will be the station's afternoon personality from 2-7 pm., most likely, though the station is still finalizing details. Bailey will host a morning show from 6-9 am. Local news and NPR news reports will be offered every hour, along with SkyView Traffic, local weather and school closing reports, special interviews and features. Some NPR programs, like "Car Talk," will be offered on the weekends. O'Kelly said he can't wait to get the Golden Oldies back on the air and do what he can to preserve the genre on the radio. He also likes that the oldies will be returning to an AM station, since albums of this era were mixed for AM radio. While the station is as high-tech as you can get, O'Kelly said he has a few archaic devices at his disposal. Said O'Kelly: "I do have a turntable in the studio, and I'm not afraid to use it." For more information and upcoming full station schedule, visit wgvu.org/realoldies or realoldies1480.com. E-mail: recker@gpress.com. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from the San Bernardino CA Sun dated 9/15/09:

KGIL (1260 AM) goes retro, By Richard Wagoner, Radio Columnist.

KGIL's Web site featured by the page had any other content. Making a move sooner than expected, KGIL (1260 AM) dropped its essentially syndicated talk format at 4 pm Aug 28 in favor of a locally programmed music format called Retro 1260. It's an interesting variation on what I was hoping the station would play – standards – though perhaps it is most like what was once heard on stations such as the original KMPC during the early 1970s, a format then called MOR, or Middle of the Road. Indeed, the first broadcast days was a hodgepodge of music from the past, including some songs not heard locally in years: "The Lion Sleeps Tonight," "Last Night I Didn't Get to Sleep At All," "Johnny Angel," "Do It Again," "Sugar, Sugar," "Homeward Bound" and some jazzy standards and big band tunes. Personally, I like it, and I hope it does well for station owner Saul Levine. Longtime KOST (103.5 FM) personality Mike Sakellariades – let go after 25 years on that station in one of owner Clear Channel's recent bloodlettings – starts off each weekday morning with an unconventional 8 am to 1 pm shift, followed by Nick Tyler and Jeff Serr. The Retro 1260 Web site, at www.1260.com, is supposed to be up Friday and should allow for internet streaming, in case you are in an area not well-served by KGIL's signal which is about half of LA County, or more. But, if you are one of the lucky few who own an HD radio and have good reception of KKGO (105.1 FM), you can hear Retro 1260 on the 105.1 HD-3 digital stream. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Owosso MI Argus-Press dated 9/15/09:
Broadcasting live from Owosso: Local radio station gets another shot at life. By NATHAN BRUTTELL,
Argus-Press Staff Writer.

OWOSSO – It took months of cleaning and financial work, but radio station WOAP 1080 AM is now on the air and pumping out the oldies to listeners throughout Shiawassee County. “We walked into the station (at 2301 N. M-52) on July 18 and that musty smell could’ve just bowled you over,” General Manager Tony Clark said. “It was like opening up an old cottage.” The station, now known as “The Big 1080: Michigan’s Big Oldies,” was originally owned by The Argus-Press. It fell silent in August 2008 following several years of going on and off the air being mired in financial difficulties. In order to bring itself out of those difficulties, former owner Michigan Catholic Radio sold its radio stations, including WOAP, to Birch Broadcasting in May. However, the contract agreement for WOAP expired Aug 18 and if the station didn’t broadcast by that date, the company would’ve lost the rights to a construction permit. “The deal was made because WOAP came along with 1030 AM, a station that Birch Broadcasting was looking to obtain,” Clark said. “So I approached them soon after it happened with some new ideas and sales options and he liked it.” Clark’s idea involved broadcasting oldies from the 50s through the 70s in an attempt to give the older population a new go-to radio station. “There is that audience that a lot of FM stations are abandoning with the Baby Boomers,” Clark said. “They’re probably the strongest and most under-appreciated demographic in the market. These aren’t the elderly who sit around all day, they are active and life-loving people.” While he felt his idea was golden, Clark faced many difficulties in opening up the old, worn down station. “At first almost nothing worked. We had buckets catching water because of a leaky roof and there was mold everywhere on the window sills,” he said. “It needed a lot of work and a lot of care. It’s a lot better now and we’re finally broadcasting the way the station deserves.” Clark said he has been amazed at the market the station has tapped and how strong the buzz has grown in the last few weeks. “We get people walking in off the street everyday telling us how much they love the station,” Clark said. “I figured it would be a lot slower of a process to gain a listener-base and it’s been flattering to say the least.” Owosso resident Richard O’Flynn recently walked into the station. He said he had been listening for hours and decided that he just had to see it for himself. “The play list is better than anything I’ve heard in years and it’s right here in our hometown,” he said. “I absolutely love it and I know people here are going to support it too if they just give it a listen.” Clark said he can’t take all of the thanks for the station coming back on the air. He said he immediately knew that he wanted to enlist the on-air talent of DJ Art Van, a 25-year radio veteran. “This is such an exciting time here,” Van said. “It’s such a dream to be able to come in here and play what I love listening to and hearing how many people are loving it too. I couldn’t ask for anything more.” Clark said his work to bring the station on its feet is not over. “It’s not quite back yet because it’s a business and we need advertising dollars,” he said. “I know we’ve got a great product here and our fanbase is growing so quickly by the day, but we still need to get out there and sell it if we want to stay on the air.” Those interested in learning more about the station can call 472-4104 or visit “The Big 1080” page on social networking site Facebook. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Newport News VA Daily Press dated 9/19/09:

Local ESPN Radio affiliate announces switch to FM.
The area’s longest-running all-sports radio station will switch from AM frequency to FM next month. ESPN Radio 1310 on the AM dial will switch on Oct 5 to 94.1 on the FM dial, as Max Media swaps the places of two of its local radio stations. Starting on Oct 5, the all-sports station will become ESPN Radio 94.1 FM, and the current FM station will switch over to become Star 1310 AM. The switch to the 40,000-watt FM frequency will allow the local ESPN Radio affiliate to be heard clearly at night in such areas as Williamsburg, Gloucester and the Northern Neck. Tony Mercurio, program director and afternoon talk show host for ESPN Radio 1310, said the station will retain its same lineup of national and local programming after the move. He said the call-in shows for Old Dominion, James Madison University and the Norfolk Admirals’ hockey team, often featuring their coaches, will be carried on the new ESPN Radio 94.1 FM. Norfolk Tides baseball broadcasts and ODU athletic events will be carried on ESPN Radio 94.1 FM, and the only sports programming on Star 1310 AM will be Admirals games and JMU sporting events. In a press release announcing the move, Max Media President Eric Mastel said, “This was a great opportunity for us to have the most powerful ESPN FM station in Virginia.” Star will mostly feature contemporary inspirational programming, including gospel music. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Honolulu, HI Star-Bulletin dated 9/22/09:

Hawaii station picks up Chinese state-run radio.
Chinese state-run radio officially was presented to Honolulu at a luncheon at the Plaza Club yesterday, though it has been on the air since July 1. Programming from Beijing-based China Radio International in Chinese, English, Korean and Japanese airs 24 hours a day on KHCM-AM 880 under an agreement between station licensee Salem Communications Corp and R&C Productions Inc, both of California. CRI was introduced to attendees through a slick video that described its Dec 3 1941, founding and its expansion to television broadcasting, newspaper and periodical publication and online and mobile platforms. The network has gone from broadcasting via shortwave to other countries via local AM and FM radio stations since 2006. CRI’s mission of introducing China to the world “and vice versa” to “report world affairs to the world so as to enhance understanding and friendship between the peoples of China and other countries” was echoed by Vice President Wang Yunpeng, who received congratulatory certificates from California State Sen. Bob Huff, San Gabriel Mayor Juli Costanzo and Honolulu Mayor Mufi Hannemann. Deputy Corporation Counsel Donna Woo read his statement: “This 24-hour radio station means the Chinese community here in Hawaii can now enjoy the comprehensive coverage of Asia’s leading international broadcaster.” CRI differs from American news organizations most notably in that it is controlled by China’s communist government, but, Wang said, through interpreter Xiaohong Lu, “after 30 years of opening up and reform in China, we are still in a learning process. We are trying to learn from the Western countries. Our media is run by the law, and we have our principals that we (describe as) the Chinese standard with a global vision and cultural respect.” Our reporters will act in the interest of our country. The reports will reflect the national interest. For example, we strongly condemn the separatist activities by those organizations or different parties, but most of our reporters have their own perspectives in expressing or explaining China issues and world issues, as well.” The Chinese government jams foreign broadcasters’ transmissions to keep them from its citizens, according to broadcast historian Brook Whaley, but Wang said Voice of America broadcasts can be heard in China. A special CRI

team uses advanced facilities to receive the BBC and other foreign shortwave broadcasts, “so we are able to track down what they’re talking about, but perhaps ordinary people do not have these facilities,” Wang said. Chung added, “That’s why people think China is jamming the signals.” The CRI shows on KHCM include news, business, music, cultural and Chinese language instruction and are listed on the station’s Web site. “It’s not intensely political,” said Michael Reichert, Salem vice president of operations, who attended the luncheon. Primarily known as a broadcaster of Christian and conservative programming, Salem “is in the business of selling time” and has never had a complaint about the multiethnic programs, said Radio Division President Joe Davis. It also sells time to ministries who decry China’s persecution of Christian missionaries and believers, but Reichert said China has “let missionaries come in... and build churches.” “I think the more we can start working together, the more we’re going to have an opportunity to get our word out in China, so I think this might be a good inroad to that,” Reichert said. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Honolulu HI Star-Bulletin dated 9/22/09:

Chinese music replaces country on AM. By Erika Engle.
Programming from China has replaced country music on KHCM-AM 880 in Honolulu in an agreement between station licensee Salem Media of Hawaii Inc. and R&C Productions Inc, both California based. Salem parent Salem Communications Corp owns radio stations known for primarily Christian and conservative programming – while China Radio International, source of all the programming on the station right now, is state-run, owned and operated by the Chinese government as are all media outlets there. R&C President Billy Chung said the programming does not promote communism or come from the communist perspective. “CRI has more than 100 reporter centers around the world,” staffed by American reporters as well as reporters and hosts from other countries. He noted the international cast of hosts and reporters on the new Web site at am880.net. CRI programs are primarily in Chinese – predominantly Mandarin but also some Cantonese as well as English, Korean and Japanese, Chung said. “In the future we will probably have some local” programming. While meeting with Salem executives in Honolulu, Chung was introduced to leaders of Honolulu’s Chinese community, and he plans a luncheon to introduce the station. Chung also runs WCEV-TV on cable and satellite TV systems and WCEV.com. The latter has channels for the US, Europe, Asia and will soon have a stream for Australia. The drastic format change was noted last week by Honolulu-based broadcast historian Brook Whaley for an online group of radio hobbyists known as dx-ers for their scanning of far-flung frequencies around the globe. Whaley believes the round-the-clock relay of the Beijing-based broadcast is “historic.” “It’s not just that a foreign broadcast is being relayed (on the air) in the United States, but a foreign broadcast that is controlled by a communist regime and is subject to the censorship and propagandist take on the news,” he said. Meanwhile, “no one in the world jams more foreign broadcasts than the People’s Republic of China,” preventing citizens’ reception of the Voice of America, Radio Free Asia, the BBC and others. “Even North Korea and Cuba pale in comparison to the millions of watts and hundreds of transmitters that are used to jam outside broadcasts,” said Whaley. Many ministries that buy blocks of time on Salem stations work to get Bibles and aid into China and “often point out the persecution, execution and slave labor (of Christians) in the People’s Republic.” R&C approached Salem seeking the arrangement, said Jeff Coelho, Salem Media general manager. “It does two things: It generates revenue and fills a little bit of a hole for Chinese programming in Honolulu,” he said last week. Emergency messages have been prepared in Chinese, for instance. CRI programming is on in more than a dozen U.S. radio markets. “We researched it diligently,” Coelho said. “They’re just testing all the programming for the next two weeks. What you hear is not the final product.” Erika Engle is a reporter with the Star-Bulletin. Reach her by e-mail at erika@starbulletin.com. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Redding CA Record-Searchlight dated 9/22/09:

Sports talk radio returns to north state airwaves, FoxSports programming will play on KNRO 1670 AM, By Aaron Williams.
Sports fans, your silent nightmare is over. Sports talk radio makes its return to the north state Monday as KNRO 1670 AM brings back the format after an 18-month absence. The lineup includes “the Dan Patrick Show” from 6 to 9 am, “the Jim Rome Show” from 9 am to noon and FoxSports Radio programming throughout the remainder of the day. FoxSports’ lineup includes Chris Meyers and Tony Bruno. “We still get calls asking if we’re bringing it back,” said Duane Davis, who ran the former ESPN radio and will again assume programming director duties for KNRO. Davis said talks with Redding radio general manager Randie Meyer opened the door to bring sports talk back. “Randy and Don both knew they wanted it,” Davis said, and told me we should probably jump on it before someone else in this market does.” Talks with ESPN proved fruitless because of inflexibility of alternative programming. “FoxSports was very flexible and left the door open for us to bring in alternative programming,” Davis said. “From top to bottom was phenomenal. Dan Patrick into Jim Rome, that’s a great lineup.” Davis said the return of the Giants, the Kings, the 49ers and perhaps, the rebirth of the local noon talk show could happen. “That’s down the road,” he said. “Right now, we’re building it up from scratch.” (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Honolulu, HI Star-Bulletin dated 9/22/09:

Honolulu radio station to go Hispanic-Christian, By Erika Engle.
KORL-AM 1180 has been sold by Kauai-based broadcaster George Hochman to a California-based church for \$350,000 in a deal pending before the Federal Communications Commission. Hochman could not be reached, but according to documents filed with the FCC, the station’s call letters – which bear a long heritage in Honolulu radio – will not be included in the sale. Centro Cristiano Vida Abundante Inc. operates a small network that broadcasts round-the-clock Spanish-language Christian programming on radio and television stations in the U.S. and in several countries around the world via the internet, satellite and cable. Despite the impressive-sounding global reach, the buyer’s annual receipts are no more than \$6.5 million a year, according to documents filed with the FCC. The church is the licensee of KDBV-AM 980 in Salinas and KJDU-AM 1030 in San Luis Obispo, Calif., as well as KYUM-LP, a low-power TV station on Channels 2 and 15 in Yuma, Ariz., but its programming is also carried on other stations in California and Arizona. Church leadership could not be reached, but the network airs “a mix of talk and music and it’s live most of the day,” said James Primm, the California-based attorney who represented the church in the deal. Primm also used to own KJMQ-FM 98.1 in Lihue, which he sold to Hochman in 2007. Church officials will come to Hawaii in “a couple months,” Primm said, to celebrate the launch of its programming. The Rev. Manuel Sanchez Sr. and

his son, Manuel Jr, host shows on the air, as do other personalities. Hochman either owns or has interests in seven other radio stations in Hawaii, including KPHI-AM 1130, KORL-FM 101.1 and an FM translator at 101.5 on Oahu; KITH-FM 98.9, KTOH-FM 99.9 and KJMQ-FM 98.1 on Kauai; KONI-FM 104.7 licensed to Lanai City, and KRKH-FM 97.3 on Maui. Hochman-McCann has an application pending with the FCC to move KORL's frequency to 1170 AM and to reduce power from its currently authorized 1,000 watts to 330 watts during the day and 140 watts at night. The power reduction is a move to shield the FCC monitoring station in Waipahu from interference, the bane of many an isle radio station. Reducing power could pose a problem for listeners, said broadcast engineer Emie Nearnman, owner of Honolulu-based Broadcast Resources Co. "There are too many 1170 (AM) signals that are gangbusters from the mainland," so that at night the mainland stations will "crash over" a local station operating on that frequency at such low power, he said. Centro Cristiano Vida Abundante was cited by the FCC in April of last year for operating an unlicensed satellite earth station and was ordered to suspend its operation immediately. The church had filed an application to fire up the earth station, but as of that date the application had not been granted by the commission. No subsequent record of the license application or update on the citation could be found in various searches of the FCC Web portal. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from the New York NY Daily News dated 9/22/09:

In New York, Air America may be on the move from WWRL, David Hinckley, DAILY NEWS STAFF WRITER.

Air America's home in New York is on WWRL, but the station also airs non-Air America hosts like Stephanie Miller. Progressive radio network Air America will determine soon whether its New York home will remain at WWRL (1600 AM). WWRL has its own local morning show, though it only carries part of the network's programming. WWRL has been Air America's nominal flagship, though it only carries part of the network's programming. WWRL has its own local morning show with Errol Louis and carries non-Air America hosts like Stephanie Miller and Ed Schultz. Air America's deal with WWRL expires soon and Air America CEO Bennett Zier says, "As our contract is winding down, we are in negotiations with WWRL about extending the agreement." Zier declined further comment, but reports have been circulating that the agreement may be allowed to expire, leaving Air America in search of another station. The problem is that the options are limited, particularly among stations with a strong signal. Few make significant amounts of airtime available for lease, and Air America has never had the resources to carry out its original plan of buying or leasing whole stations. It now only leases part of the time on WWRL, which is why an Air America host like Ron Kuby, who probably has the strongest New York following of anyone on the AA staff, isn't heard here. WWRL also has a spotty signal in many areas, and finding powerful stations has been a national problem for Air America. Officials there now are hoping that as more people get "radio" through the Internet and alternate delivery systems, AA's lack of big signals will be less important. This Wednesday, it's throwing a party for the relaunch of its www.airamerica.com Web site. (DP-H)

Dale Park sends along the following from **SignonsSanDiego.com** dated 9/24/09:

ESPN Radio may go to FM bullpen. By Jay Posner, Union-Tribune Staff Writer.

Busy day in local radio yesterday, with one rumor becoming fact and another even more interesting rumor making the rounds. So let's deal with the latter first: Word is that ESPN Radio 800 might become ESPN Radio 98.9 FM, perhaps (and hopefully) as soon as the start of the baseball playoffs next month. There's no guarantee this will happen, but Cadena Baja California owns both stations and just laid off the entire on-air staff at XMOR-FM, known as Blazin' 98.9. With a much stronger signal, XMOR would be a perfect place to house all the talk and play-by-play programming ESPN-800 carries — you know, all the shows and games you can't hear once the sun sets. I wouldn't expect a local show, but there are other places for that... such as XTRA Sports 1360, which yesterday said Chris Eilo would return to the station Tuesday to host a three-hour talk show each weekday at 9 am. Eilo was among several employees laid off Jan 20, although he had a contract through the end of 2009. "We never wanted him to leave, like everyone else," said XTRA program director Brian Wilson. "This is another piece of the puzzle trying to put the station back together." As for the top sports station in town, XX Sports Radio, rumor is that a deal is near to bring in Lee Hamilton full time starting later this month. But that's a column unto itself. (DP-H)

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Date of Column: 9/23/09. Just got back from the IRCA convention in Albuquerque on Sunday 9/21, 7 hour drive from Colorado Springs. Looking forward to the 2010 convention already, and I am going to attempt to host the 2011 convention here in Colorado Springs. Great convention, transmitter tours, banquet and auction which netted the club almost \$340. We have a new house appointment in Colorado Springs on Tuesday 9/22 to pick out all the neat stuff for the inside of our new house being built. We had SNOW in Colorado Springs today, the 2nd earliest in the season we've ever had snow. But it's all gone now. 73's.

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- 550 KLLV CO, Breen 8/31 2301 "KLLV, Breen" came through a bit of a jumble, then apparently into Christian talk program. (NP-AB)
- 560 WIND LI, Chicago 9/4 0000 ID in a crowd as "...Radio 560, WIND, Chicago, online at 560wind.com." (NP-AB)
- KPQ WA, Wenatchee 9/20 0058 good with "Dean Edell Show" matched listen live at stations web-site. "560 KPQ Wenatchee" ID at 0100. (DV-WA)
- 580 KIDO ID, Nampa 9/20 2330 CTC, KIDO ID fair, over/under Spanish section. (DV-WA)
- 650 WSM TN, Nashville 8/28 2359 came through dominant CKOM with several mentions of WSM, then time check "It's 11 o'clock... WSM Nashville." (NP-AB)
- 680 CFTR ON, Toronto 8/30 2359 weather by woman, mention of CFTR and then ID "Toronto's only all news radio station, CFTR 680 news..." New for me. (NP-AB)
- 690 KTSM TX, El Paso 8/31 2259 promo for "Question of the Week" at their web site, ID, then Fox news. (NP-AB)
- 710 KFIA CA, Carmichael 8/31 2259 announcer introducing next program (In Touch), "...right here on 710, KFIA" (NP-AB)
- 750 WSB GA, Atlanta 8/28 0058 man mentioned "On line too at WSBradio.com," local bank ad. "WSB Atlanta" ID at the hour. (NP-AB)
- 840 KXNT NV, North Las Vegas 9/15 0135 KXNT ID in the CTC show. Good signal. (DV-WA)
- 870 KJMP CO, Pierce 8/25 0658 sports programming mixing with WWL, ID as "ESPN 870 is KJMP Pierce, Fort Collins, Greeley, the sports authority." (NP-AB)
- 940 KIXZ TX, Amarillo 8/31 2300 "KIXZ, 940 Amarillo..." into Fox News. (NP-AB)
- 960 KMA IA, Shenandoah 9/4 2357 local sports program, ID as "You're in tune to Regional Radio, KMA Shenandoah..." then ABC news. (NP-AB)
- 970 KTTO WA, Spokane 9/10 0830 religious programming until KCMD popped up at 0835. New. (AB-ID)
- 1000 KFLG AZ, Bullhead City 8/31 2300 "More of America's best music with the legends, on K----, AM 1000, KFLG, Bullhead City," then into music. (NP-AB)
- 1010 WSPT WJ, Stevens Point 8/29 2358 "Right Time of the Night" by Jennifer Wames, then ID at 0400 "Newstalk 10-10 WSPT, Stevens Point, a Muzzy Broadcasting Station." New for me. (NP-AB)
- CFRB ON, Toronto 8/30 0007 poked through the mix with a man giving a phone number to call as "...toll free 1-800-561-CFRB." (NP-AB)
- 1060 KYW PA, Philadelphia 8/29 2359 weather by a woman, then ID as "...this is Newsradio KYW 1060 Philadelphia, a CBS radio station serving PA, NJ and DE." (NP-AB)
- 1130 KWKH LA, Shreveport 9/7 2345 mention of kwkholine.com, back to country music. (NP-AB)
- 1140 CHR8 AB, High River 9/20 0035 "Total Woman Show." Strong signal. New station here. (DV-WA)
- 1270 KAJO OR, Grants Pass 9/14 2216 song "Big Girls Don't Cry" by the 4 Seasons followed by KAJO ID. Poor with KTFI QRM. Not a format change; Melissa at the station told me that they are talk and music. (AB-ID)
- 1280 KDOX NV, Las Vegas 8/31 2259 Red Cross PSA, ID "We're talk radio... KDOX... Las Vegas, we're talk radio," then into Fox news. (NP-AB)
- 1310 KLIX ID, Twin Falls 9/14 0000 ID into Fox news. Up strong then back down in the jumble on R-390A with Sanserino loop. (GH-OR)
- 1330 KWLO IA, Waterloo 8/27 0700 mixing with WLOL but clear ID as "This is Stars 1330, Waterloo-Cedar Falls." (NP-AB)
- WLOL MN, Minneapolis 8/25 0657 Christian talk, ad for senior living facility, ID at the hour "...this is Relevant Radio, 1330, WLOL Minneapolis-St Paul," then into news. (NP-AB)
- 1340 KBNW OR, Bend 9/11 0000 ABC news weak and sputtering in the static on TMC with Terk loop. Heard only once before. (GH-OR)
- 1380 KRKO WA, Everett 9/1 0005 ID and ESPN sports talk. Fair signal with an unID C&W way under, possibly KSRV, on R-388 with Terk loop. (GH-OR)
- 1400 KLCK WA, Goldendale 9/3 0020 buried in the jumble but up momentarily from time to time on R-390A with Terk loop. Really scratchy. (GH-OR)

1410 KOOQ NE, North Platte 8/30 0000 ID at the hour "This is North Platte's sports station 1410 AM ESPN, KOOQ, North Platte." (NP-AB)
 1440 WNFL WJ, Green Bay 8/25 0700 several stations coming in at once, but heard distinct "WNFL, Green Bay" ID at the hour. (NP-AB)
 1430 KLO UT, Ogden 9/4 0000 CBS news, weak & fighting it out 50/50 with KYKN, on Hammarlund with Terk loop. No KBRC as usual. (GH-OR)
 1480 KNTB WA, Lakewood 8/25 0757 network ads, local three station ID (KBRO Brementon, KLDY, KNTB) at the hour, and into "ESPN Deportes with Sports Center." (NP-AB)
 1500 KSTP MN, St Paul 9/8 2330 fighting it out with unID in Oriental sounding dialect, weak on TMC with Terk loop. Coast to Coast show. (GH-OR)
 1510 KCKK CO, Littleton 9/16 2256 huge signal here on GE Superadio with ID's as "Mile High Sports 1510" and spot for Ford F150. (MS-AZ1)
 1530 KFBK CA, Sacramento 9/11 0858 "KFBK.com," ads, news and "KFBK Sacramento" at 0900. (AB-ID)
 1610 KLC734 AZ, TIS with good signal along I-40. "Thanks for tuning in to Petrified Forest National Park information station." Mentions of Painted Desert. (MS-AZ2)
 1670 KNRO CA, Redding 9/11 0003 big deep fades with fair to poor signal on TMC with Terk loop. Totally alone with some scratchy noise. (GH-OR)

UNIDS

1340 UNID 9/13 1000 weak station in the hash. On the hour I heard 5 high pitched pips, one second apart, then one lower-pitched one. This suggests an ethnic format but the new NRC Log doesn't show any possibilities in OR, WA or ID, the most likely states, considering the time of reception. (LG-MT)

Thanks to Lee and Phil for taking over (temporarily) their new IRCA duties. Without Lee and Phil we would not be receiving our DXIM or SDXM. Nancy 9/25 2100

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DOWN THE DIAL

550 KGRS TX, Midland, 9-18 atop 550 during good SSS conditions. 20:59 crisp signal with legal ID. [MS-NM]
 1370 KGNO KS, Dodge City, 9-18 atop 1370. 04:00 with nice legal ID into news. [MS-NM]

25 YEARS AGO

September 22, 1984 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Doug Pifer** of Montrose, CA logged JOUR 774 ... **Frank Aden**, Jr. of Boise, ID talked about moving back to Boise ... **John Clemmer** of East Moline, IL talked about the Toledo Convention ... **Ernest Cooper** of Provincetown, MA also attended the convention in Toledo. He thanked **Frank Merrill** for driving to Detroit, and back, to pick him up at the airport ... **Dennis Kibbe** of Tempe, AZ purchased a Drake SPR-4 from Tim O'Hara.

OPEN MIKE

Nancy and I had a great time in New Mexico spending the week touring and attending the 2009 IRCA Albuquerque Convention. It was great seeing everyone again. This column was typed 9-26-09. 73, John

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LOGGINGS
 Zanesville, 9/24 2125-2205. Mixing with talk. "Twelve forty WHIZ Zanesville" (KK-VA) into "ABC News".
 Pittsburgh, 9/23 2125-2205. Mixing with singing and Gospel. Typical ESPN Radio programming. However, a few times heard "Welcome guests from foreign lands to Pittsburgh..." (the G-20 Summit is in Pittsburgh). (KK-VA)
 Charlottesville, 9/22 2125-2205. Mixing with singing, Spanish and C&W songs. 2131 "Campaign... issues facing our state... reporting anytime at WCHV dot com..." (KK-VA)
 New York City, 9/20 2125-2205. Mixing with baseball game. WADO in Spanish. "Esea es... New York". (KK-VA)
 Binghamton, 9/19 2125-2205. Mixing with talk and singing. 2159 "News radio twelve ninety WNB..." (KK-VA)
 Jacksonville is NOT off-air as recently listed; also, I don't recall any Spanish language activity. For about a month (my bust in not reporting this change earlier), it has been part of the ESPN Network. Announces //1490 (WWNB, New Bern NC), and 105.7 (W289BI a translator... of whom I don't know). Both WAVQ and WWNB have been heard // in Jacksonville, NC, on truck radio, but nothing on 105.7 MHz. Of note, TOH ID is for the frequencies only of WAVQ, WWNB and the translator. Rarely are the call letters announced. There is a 4th station, 1450-WNOS in New Bern; FOX Sports Radio. The four stations have a website (www.rfenc.com) which stands for "Radio Free Eastern North Carolina." E-mail: info@rfenc.com. (MH-NC)
 Salisbury, in strong at 0530 EDT with CNN Headline News. Possibly on day power? Really dominant this AM. (KZ-NY)

UN-IDEN

1470 MD WJUD
 1610 ?? ???
 Heard in NC 9/25/2009 @ 1915 to 1935 (intermittent) CW while out on an errand. Several "long dashes" of 2 to 3 seconds; letters: "A," "E," "M," and "N" noted. Fair to good signal while driving in N/S direction and non-existent driving EW. Returning home, I checked for possible LOWFER activity and a station is listed in Kernersville, NC (+/- 200 miles air), on 1611.53 w/ID of JWS (but not using CW mode). Considering the erratic and intermittent manner in which the code was sent, I doubt it was an ARO. Ideas? (MH-NC)

 Thanks to our three reporters this week. Nice to hear from Karl. Waiting for the weather to break here, it's been a LONG HOT summer. We are now weekly. PLEASE send your reports to EDXR at AMLGBOOK dot com. I just happened to see Karl's on the list serve.
 fresh 9-26 0830 GO GATORS!

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TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

558 JAPAN, Kobe JOCR at 1245 9/25, fair. (GA-WA)
 567 JAPAN, Sapporo JOIK JJ talk fair 1242 during KVI quiet periods 9/26. (BP-WA)
 585 JAPAN, Kushiro JOFG fair in JJ // to 594 JOAK 9/25. (GA-WA)
 594 JAPAN, Tokyo JOAK heard at 1312 9/23. (BB-AZ)
 603 REP KOREA, HLSA very good with S8-9 signal in KK. Especially around 1345 9/25. (GA-WA)
 657 DR KOREA, very poor with talk at 1315 9/23. (BB-AZ)
 693 JAPAN, Tokyo JOAB at 1315 9/23. (BB-AZ)
 738 TAIWAN, good signal from 1250 9/25 onwards, especially at 1345 when it was really powerhouse. (GA-WA)
 747 JAPAN, Sapporo JOIB at 1317 9/23. (BB-AZ)
 774 JAPAN, Akita JOUB 1318 9/23. (BB-AZ)
 828 JAPAN, Osaka JOBB very poor at 1320 UTC 9/23. (BB-AZ)
 882 UNID, very weak audio at times at 1321-1334 9/23. (BB-AZ)
 936 CHINA, at 1252 9/25 CC with good signal. (GA-WA)
 963 CHINA, CRI with fair signal in RR language from 1248 onwards 9/25. (GA-WA)

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Dennis Vroom goes to Grayland

Below is from this morning's (9/24) DXing from Grayland WA. Conditions were great compared to my home location. Main antenna a super loop aimed somewhat SW work well with TA's and DU's. Sometimes the 500' NW bog would work better on a few Asian stations. Spent a lot of time checking I's and checking recent loggings of TP's from the Northwest. Might try a NW loop today. Could not find a wi-fi connection a Grayland Motel & Cottages. Having lunch at Local Bar & Grill using their wi-fi. Planning on staying until Saturday morning.

- 153 **RUSSIA**, 1041 good with man in Russian. Ended listening 1442.
- 180 **RUSSIA**, 1043 good with man in Russian.
- 189 **RUSSIA**, 1044 fair with man in Russian.
- 234 **RUSSIA**, 1045 fair with man in Russian and beacon interference.
- 279 **RUSSIA**, 1046 good with man in Russian.
- 530 **TURKS & CAICOS**? 0440 fair with music over Cuba? 0452-0455 "My Love".
- 558 **JAPAN**, JOCR 1059 fair with woman in Japanese and some splatter.
- 567 **JAPAN**, JOIK 1102 fair with man in Japanese.
- 594 **JAPAN**, JOAK 1105 good with Japanese.
- 603 **REPUBLIC OF KOREA**, HLSA 1106 weak.
- 612 **JAPAN**, JOLK 1359-1400 3 pips 1 tone, good.
- 612 **AUSTRALIA**, 4QR Brisbane 1405 id 612 am Brisbane. Couple 4QR ids heard too. Also caught on the Eton e100 connected to the SW super loop.
- 639 **CHINA**, CRN1 1356 weak to fair with man talking along with music. //1593.
- 648 **RUSSIA**, 1353 weak to fair in Korean?
- 657 **DPR KOREA**, 1109 fair with man in Korean and //3320. Good at 1353.
- 666 **JAPAN**, JOBK 1352 fair over unknown Asian station.
- 675 **VIETNAM**, 1350 probably the station mixing China? Fair signal.
- 693 **JAPAN**, JOAB 1114 good with man in Japanese.
- 684 **DPR KOREA**, 1149 one of the stations in mix with music //3250.
- 702 **DPR KOREA**, 1120 fair at times, fades to weak. //657.
- 711 **REPUBLIC OF KOREA**, HLKA ? assuming HLKA. Nothing on //3930. Heavy KIRO splatter.
- 729 **CHINA**? Not Korea because it not match // Fair signal over JOCK.
- 729 **JAPAN**, JOCK 1138 weak to fair, over/under Chinese? Station. //594.
- 738 **TAHITI**, 0510 woman talking to French. Fair signal at times with a lot of splatter.
- 738 **TAIWAN**, 1145 believed to be the station in Chinese mixing with Tahiti. Fair signal, // empty.
- 747 **JAPAN**, JOIB 1037 good with man in Japanese.
- 756 **CHINA**, CRN1 1340 man in Chinese //1593.
- 765 **UNKNOWN**, 1149 weak with woman in Asian language.
- 774 **JAPAN**, JOUB 1024 excellent signal with English conversation program.
- 783 **CHINA**? 1149-1153 woman in Chinese, weak to fair.
- 792 **UNKNOWN**, 1157 a couple of very weak stations mixing in Asian language.
- 819 **DPR KOREA**, 1137 good signal with some splatter and //2850.
- 828 **JAPAN**, JOBB excellent signal at 1159.
- 837 **CHINA**, JOAK 1200 pips followed by second station with different tone pips a few. 0528 then KICY 850 am ID at 0531.
- 850 **ALASKA**, Nome 0523 religious music with good signal. 3 minute area weather forecast at 0528 then KICY 850 am ID at 0531.
- 864 **JAPAN**, JO?? 1333 Japanese station and another station with piano music.
- 873 **JAPAN**, JOGB 1215 fair and mixing with other Asian station.
- 891 **AUSTRALIA**, Adelaide 5AN 1412-1417 probably the station with DU talk. Heard no mentions of ABC though. Over Asian station.
- 936 **CHINA**, 1325 heard with "Diantai" in Chinese. Over unknown station.
- 945 **CHINA**, CRN1 1324 fair over unknown station.
- 963 **CHINA**, CRI 1314 fair over another station with Russian.
- 972 **REPUBLIC OF KOREA**, HLCA 1312 good signal and some splatter. Excellent 1436.
- 1008 **JAPAN**, JONR 1310 weak, seemed Japanese with a lot of splatter.
- 1017 **UNKNOWN**, 1304-1306 two stations, not Japan NHK2 and both signals did not match China //1206.
- 1035 **UNKNOWN**, 1254 very weak. Checked 5020 for // but no signal.
- 1044 **CHINA**, CRI 1250 fair Japanese? Mixing with another station Korea?
- 1134 **JAPAN**, JOQR 1220 fair mixing with China with man in Japanese.
- 1134 **CHINA**, CRN1 1246 still mixing with JOQR, both fair signals.
- 1161 **UNKNOWN**, 1427 fair stable signal, man is Asian language, not a CRN1 broadcast.
- 1170 **PHILIPPINES**? 1429-1431 woman in Chinese? Hopping for VOA ID at 1430 but no luck. Another station underneath with music.
- 1206 **CHINA**, 1301 assuming China with Korean broadcast.
- 1279 **JAPAN**, JOFR 1244 weak with man in Japanese.

- 1287 **JAPAN**, JOHR 1242 fair fast talking woman/man in Japanese.
- 1422 **JAPAN**, JORF 1238 weak.
- 1475 **MAYLASA**? 1234 weak slow talking woman in unknown language.
- 1503 **JAPAN**, JOJK NHK1 1230 weak //594.
- 1566 **REPUBLIC OF KOREA**, 1227 fair with low audio.
- 1575 **THAILAND**, VOA 1223 good signal with woman in Asian language.
- 1593 **CHINA**, CRN1 1226 good with man in Chinese and //5030.

Dennis Vroom, Grayland, WA

JRC 545 R8B R-30cc, 500' bog a little SW, 500' bog NW, 85' super loop

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John and I just returned from our visit to New Mexico and the IRCA convention in Albuquerque. We had a great time at the convention, visiting with many friends and doing quite a bit of "DX talk." I had a major surprise Saturday evening when I found out that I was the TVA winner this year. I would like to thank everyone who voted for me. It's truly an honor to be chosen for this very special award. Thanks also to Mike Sanburn and Robert Wien for hosting the convention this year.

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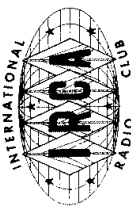
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