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FROM THE PRESIDENT (Lee Freshwater)

PROPOSAL 24.2.01

CONFIRM COLORADO SPRINGS, CO as the site of the 2011 IRCA Convention June 23-25 2011. Submitted by Mike Sanburn and Robert Wien

All BOD members voted in favor of this proposal, with Robert Wien abstaining.

DX TEST

More DX Tests are coming; stay tuned to DX Monitor for further details on future DX Tests. On the World Wide Web, you can also access DX Test information at www.dxtests.info any time.

NEW MEMBER UPDATE

No new members this time around. If you've joined in recent weeks, a reminder to report your DX as much as you can to your editors!

FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Broadcasting Information is not in this issue DX Forum and Canadian Radio News are in this issue; I had to withhold the DX Forum column from the last issue due to the size of DX World-Wide West. Speaking of DX World-Wide West, Bruce Portzer gives us a great report from yet another Grayland DXpedition in this issue's column. This issue also includes the report from this year's IRCA Convention in Seaside, OR and the Geomagnetic Indices (put together by Phil Bytheway). This issue's Central DX Roundup, in a rare occurrence, is larger than Western DX Roundup! Thanks to Pat Martin for hosting this year's convention, and good luck to Robert Wien (KG6RJW) with next year's IRCA Convention. Thanks to Mike Sanburn (KG6LJU) for his assistance with the bid.

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A thank you is also extended to John Tudenham (WØJRP) for hosting another Missouri DX Get-Together. (Mike, I still remember the 2001 IRCA Convention in Woodson Terrace; especially that bidding war with the late Ralph Sanserino for the AM Stereo Walkman.-EiC)

Winterfest 2011 – Collinsville, IL

It's not often that a DX club puts in a blurb about a Hamfest. These are great places to find wire and other materials for an antenna or other project, or even a good new or used receiver. (I should know, I picked up my current shortwave receiver, a Sangean ATS-803A, at a Hamfest, as well as my HF Amateur Radio transceiver, and ICOM IC-745.) The St. Louis and Suburban Radio Club (WØSRC/WØDCW), of which your Editor-in-Chief is a member, presents **Winterfest 2011**. The Hamfest will be held at the Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville, IL (Interstate 55/70 at Illinois 157; you can also use the Horseshoe Lake Road exit off of Interstate 255) on Saturday, January 29, 2011. For more information, go to www.slsr.org

LISTEN...Have a Good Day!

CJBK-129

CANADIAN RADIO NEWS

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For October 2010 (November 1 2010 – next update December 1 2010)

FORMAT CHANGES

1310 ON Ottawa CIWW From Oldies (Oldies 1310) to All News (1310 News)

OFF THE AIR

1220 ON St. Catharines CHSC Lost their right to appeal the CRTC decision ordering them off the air. Went dark on Oct. 1
 1270 QC Alma CFGT Signed off the air without utilizing the authorized 90 day simulcast time granted for FM flip to 104.5

AM TO FM CONVERSIONS GRANTED

1400 BC Golden Move to 106.3 with 890 watts (format will remain AC) (will partially simulcast CKXR 91.5 Salmon Arm with local programming 42 hours per week)

TECHNICAL CHANGES GRANTED

930 NF St. John's CJYQ Decrease night power from 25,000 watts to 3,500 watts (day power will remain 25,000 watts) and relocate transmitter to share facilities with VOCI 590 (this voids an earlier CP to relocate to the site of the former CHVO 560 in Carbonear as those facilities were deemed unusable)

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.

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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- 940 KOBY UT, Cedar City 10/31 2100 with "KOBY Cedar City." (BB-AZ)
- CJGX SK, Yorkton 10/31 2046 with "GX-94." (BB-AZ)
- 1010 KIHU UT, Tooele 10/31 2200 with "Immaculate Heart Radio KIHU." (BB-AZ)
- 1360 KFIV CA, Modesto 11/2 0921 with "KFIV 1360." (BB-AZ)
- KLSD CA, San Diego 11/2 0935 with traffic report and "Xtra Sports." (BB-AZ)
- 1370 KGNO KS, Dodge City 11/4 2018 with "93.9 The Buzzard." Thanks to the FM Atlas on this one! (BB-AZ)
- KXTL MT, Butte 11/3 2359 "Southwest Montana Talk Leader AM 1370 KXTL." (BB-AZ)
- 1380 KOTA SD, Rapid City 11/4 2035 with weather and "KOTA." (BB-AZ)

Thanks to Bill for our WDXR this week! Nancy 11/5 2100

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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DOWN THE DIAL

- 810 WMGC TN, Murfreesboro. 10-31 good to fair, alone. 21:14 noted with Tejano music, "La Sabrosita" jingle. [EB-MO]
- 1230 WBHP AL, Huntsville. 11-2 good, briefly over KZYM and others. 23:52 noted with ID and local spots. [EB-MO]
- 1400 KVFD IA, Fort Dodge. 11-3 fair, briefly over WGIL, KFRU and others. 23:39 with ID [EB-MO]
- 1450 KVOW WY, Riverton. 11-1 strong. 19:00 with "It's the talk of Fremont County, AM 14-50 KVOW Riverton." [NJ-MT]
- 1480 WJBM IL, Jerseyville. 11-2 fair signal with 32 Watts at 25 miles away. Over WLMV, WABB. 23:23 with local election coverage. [EB-MO]
- 1490 CJSN SK, Shaunavon. 11-1 loud. 18:52 with country music, "CJSN 14-90" ID. [NJ-MT]
- KTOP KS, Topeka. 10-27 fair. 20:00 with ESPN, legal ID. Noted again on 10-31 at 01:00 not as strong of signal. [TN-WI]
- WKYW KY, Frankfort. 11-2 fair to poor. 00:00 with "AM 14-90 WKYW Frankfort" [TN-WI]
- 1510 KFNN AZ, Mesa. 11-5 poor through others. 19:59 with "KFNN" ID. [NJ-MT]
- 1530 WCKY OH, Cincinnati. 11-2 good over WLIQ. 1732 with local spots, sports talk. [EB-MO]

25 YEARS AGO

November 9, 1985 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **John C. Johnson** of Billings, MT mentioned KOOK 970 changed call letters to KBIT on November 4th with a format change from rock to country ... **Neil J. Wolfish** of Winnipeg, MB said he was attending the University of Manitoba Faculty of Law until next April ... **Gary Larson** of Burbank, CA told about the 12th anniversary of SACDS.

OPEN MIKE

This column was typed 11-6-10. 73, John

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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STARS OF THE WEEK

- (KK-VA) Kraig Krist Manassas, VA.
NRD-545 rx w/ KIWA Loop.
- (JJR-MI) John J Rieger L'Anse, MI
Sony ICF-SW7600GR Stock.

LOGGINGS

- 660 AB CFFR Calgary 11/5 0745 Poor -Top3 News stories, wx w/OM/YL. "660 News" o/WFAN. (JJR-MI)
- 680 MB CJOB Winnipeg 11/5 0821 Very poor u/WDBC. Saturn ad, S.MB ment, "10 degree high today in Winnipeg", calls, Not common. (JJB-MI)
- 690 TX KTSM Paso 11/3 2052 Poor "NewsTalk 690 KTSM" into TALK. Others nulled. (JJR-MI)
- 730 WI WJMT Merrill 11/2 1902 Mixing w/ Gospel singing, talk and French talk. C&W songs. "WJMT... country...". (KK-VA)
- 750 SK CKJH Melfort 11/5 0825 Poor w/"CK750" w/song info. Faded. 1st time this season. (JJR-MI)
- 790 NC WBLO Thomasville 10/29 1835 Mixing w/ singing. "...weekdays 3 to 5 on sports talk 7-90 'The Ball'", "Sports talk 7-90 'The Ball'". (KK-VA)
- 850 OH WKAR Cleveland 11/5 2017 Poor o/WGVS w/ad, Hi School scores, info. Not common. "ESPN 850 WKNR" (JJR-MI)
- PA WKGE Johnstown 11/5 0507 Mixing w/ KOA. Jingle "Sporting news flash". "Sports news radio 8-50 'The Edge'". (KK-VA)
- 860 MN KNUJ New Ulm 11/5 2027 Very poor - "Hwy 99 + ... in ..." Pizza ad, HSFB action ... vs Raiders o/UNID AC stn. Finally "on 860-KNUJ" at :30 into ad. Never hrd @nite! (JJR-MI)
- 870 MN KPRM Park Rapids 11/5 2032 Poor in WWL null w/OLD C&W. Promo, ad for KPRM and (FM) KPRK, and "KPRM, serving you from Park Rapids, MN" into mx. Never hrd @nite. (JJR-MN)
- 870 MO KAAAN Bethany 11/2 1930 Fair – 870 & 103.7 non-ids. "@regionalradio.com", 2 political ads. The last hrd for a while, hi! AC format. No WWL @all! (JJR-MI)
- 910 ND KCJB Minot 11/5 0800 Poor - wx,area temps, nice LID, FOX nx o/others (JJR-MI)
- 930 MN KKIN Aitkin 11/4 0919 Poor - promo & ment of FM/AM and ad. (JJR-MI)
- 1070 NC WNCT Greenville 10/29 1731 Mixing w/ WNFI. WNCT with oldies. "Beach, boogie and blues. 10-70 WNCT". (KK-VA)

- 1220 IL WKRS Waukegan 11/5 0838 Poor and lost to others. Traffic rpt, "the voice of Lake County, 1220 WKRS." (JJR-MI)
 - 1230 PA WCRO Johnstown 11/4 1805 Mixing w/ talk, other talk and ESPN radio. "Music of your life WCRO". (KK-VA)
 - 1330 MN WLOL Minneapolis 11/5 2049 Poor -"Eden Prairie here on Relevant Radio" into ad. No usual KWLO. (JJR-MI)
 - 1340 MI WAGN MI Menominee 11-3 0400 Poor - LID, CBS nx. Not common (JJR-MI)
 - MN KRBT Eveleth 11/4 1935 Very poor - "...funeral homes in Hibbing & Virginia" into "The Range's Best Talk KRBT" and fade. (JJR-MI)
 - MN KWLM Willmar 11/5 0810 Poor - long chatter + chatter + chatter. Christmas parade info and finally "here on NewsTalk 1340 KWLM." (JJR-MI)
 - SD KIJV Huron 11/5 2110 Very poor in fade in/out w/???. Finally "this is Delilah on 1340 KIJV" and mess. 2nd time hrd. (JJR-MI)
 - 1360 IA KSCJ Sioux City 11/4 0531 Very poor - u/ WTAQ. "That's the wx on KSCJ.". (JJR-MI)
 - MN KKBJ Bemidji 11/5 0849 Poor -"Real Country 98.3" promos, wx, calls, talk o/WTAQ.. (JJR-MI)
 - 1380 IA KCIM Carroll 11/4 0935 Poor - steady "1380 KCIM, your home of Classic Hits" (JJR-MI)
 - 1430 WI WBEV Beaver Dam 11/5 2115 Very poor in/out w/KZQZ. No CHKT. "WI Badgers on WBEV Beaver Dam" into ad. Never hrd at nite. (JJR-MI)
 - 1450 MN KBUN Bemidji 11/5 0814 Poor out of chatter o/u/others. "The Bun KBUN Sportradio 1450" (JJR-MI)
 - MN KBMW Breckenridge 11/3 2219 Poor - "mornings at 10 on 1450 KBMW" into C&W. This one at night runs long strings of commercial free mx and ids once every 3 or so songs. (JJR-MI)
 - WI WRCO Richland Center 11/4 0743 Very poor -"WRCO" by OM in passing. Rare. (JJR-MI)
 - 1490 MN KXRA Alexandria 11/5 0906 Poor - end of nx, "I'm ... for K-X-R-A" to fade in w/WTIQ, others. "KXRA.com" (JJR-MI)
 - 1540 IA KXEL Waterloo 11/1 1950 Mixing w/ CHIN. Political talk. "News talk 15-40 KXEL". (KK-VA)
 - 1600 SC WKZK North Augusta 11/3 1955 Mixing w/ talk and other talk. Gospel singing. "1 oh 3 point 7, 16 hundred AM and WKZK dot net..." into the "Helen... Show". (KK-VA)
- UN-IDEN**
- 1060 ?? ????? 11/4 0913 Poor -long list of nx stories , ads, EWTN programming, but nothing inserted where calls would be. Nice. Spoke of new affil for EWTN, WQOM in "Boston." New WQOM Natlick went on Monday. So either I had WQOM or WILB. I'd bet on WILB, but will never know. Usually WILB will use slogan. (JJR-MI)
 - ?? ???? 1/2 2330 Very poor in o/90 mins off/on and not hrd since. What would be best described as Classic Hits: Green Eyed Lady/Sugarloaf, Stumblin' In/Suzu Quatro and Somebody to Love/Jefferson Airplane. I honestly can't think of any possible OLD/Classic HITS stns even remotely possible. Nothing jives. (JJR-MI)

Thanks to Kraig and John this week. All the best ...Fresh 11-6 0715

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GRAYLAND REPORT

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Drake R8A, RFSpace SDR-IQ, 1200' NW Beverage at Grayland WA
- 558 **S KOREA**, KBS2 good w/instrumental mx //603 1422 10/23. (bp WA)
- 567 **JAPAN**, Sapporo JOIK, good w/2 women in JJ 1224 10/24. (bp WA)
- 570 **CANADA**, Whitehorse, CFWH, fair o/u CKWL w/end of CBC nx 0404 10/23, then local wx. (bp WA)
- 580 **ALASKA**, Petersburg, KRSA, loud w/religious pgm, then legal ID 0359 10/23. (bp WA)
- 590 **ALASKA**, Anchorage, KHAR, dominant w/ 50's music, 0514 "KHAR 590 & 96.7" ID, then local ads & promo for "Twilight Zone" radio show. (bp WA)
- 612 **JAPAN**, Fukuoka, JOLK, fair JJ talk //594 1423 10/24. (bp WA)
- 620 **ALASKA**, Homer, KGTL, loud w/ string of local ads, ID, weather 0440 10/23. (bp WA)
- 650 **ALASKA**, Anchorage, KENI, promo for Coast to Coast "on Newsradio 650, KENI" 0450 10/23. (bp WA)
- 657 **CHINA**, unid CC talk atop N Korea for a few minutes 1436 10/23. Possibly Henan. (bp WA)

657 **N KOREA**, loud w/pep talk, the rousing march music //3250 1327 10/23. (bp WA)
666 **JAPAN**, Osaka, JOBK loud, much stronger than //JOAB-594 1423 10/23. (bp WA)
675 **VIETNAM**, good w/interesting percussion music, man/woman in Vietnamese //5975 1425 10/24. (bp WA)
702 **JAPAN**, NHK, weak pips mixing w/N Korea 1300 10/24, better w/talk //774 1341. (bp WA)
702 **N KOREA**, weak //3850 1522 10/23. (bp WA)
711 **TAIWAN**, mostly atop HLKA w/phone discussion by two women in non-standard Chinese 1340 10/23. Trumpet fanfare at ToH 1400. Confirmed as Taiwan after Chuck matched the trumpets with known recordings. (bp WA)
729 **CHINA**, CC talk 1212 10/23, Jiangxi? (bp WA)
729 **JAPAN**, Nagoya JOCK fair in splat //594 1427 10/24. (bp WA)
756 **CHINA**, CNR1 weak w/time pips & usual ToH ID 1200 10/23. (bp WA)
774 **CHINA**, unid CC talk mixing w/Japan 1419 10/23. (bp WA)
774 **UNID**, 1210 10/23, talk u/JOUB, sounded KK. (bp WA)
801 **N KOREA**, weak w/bits of female singer //3250 1414 10/24. (bp WA)
819 **N KOREA**, Pyongyang loud w/peppy vocal song overpowering 820 domestics 1107 10/23. (bp WA)
837 **JAPAN**, Niigata, JOQK, m&w in JJ //594 1404 10/23. (bp WA)
855 **N KOREA**, music //3320 weak-fair 1145 10/23, good w/KK talk, then mx 1506 10/23. (bp WA)
873 **N KOREA/JAPAN**, angry rhetoric good //2850 1304 10/23, then faded u/JOLB 1305. (bp WA)
891 **JAPAN**, Sendai, JOHK, 1205 10/24 fair JJ talk. Good //594 1429. (bp WA)
891 **THAILAND**, man & woman in Thai god 1318 10/23. (bp WA)
909 **JAPAN**, fair w/JJ talk //774 1508 10/23. (bp WA)
918 **CHINA**, 5+1 pips, and possible ID, 1500 10/24, probably Shandong. (bp WA)
930 **ALASKA**, Ketchikan, KTKN, near-local quality, 0400 10/23, Jimmy Buffet tune, "Serving Southern Southeast Alaska, AM 930, KTKN Ketchikan", then ABC nx. (bp WA)
945 **CHINA**, CNR1, usual Chinese echo chamber 1204 10/23. (bp WA)
954 **JAPAN**, Tokyo, JOKR, man in JJ possibly sporting event, briefly good 1203 10/23. (bp WA)
963 **CHINA**, CRI RR talk o/unid 1416 10/23. (bp WA)
981 **CHINA**, CNR1 still good 1456 10/23, man & woman in CC. (bp WA)
999 **N KOREA** opera //2850 poor in KOMO splat 1414 10/23. (bp WA)
1008 **CHINA**, CNR CC talk & pips fair 1300 10/23. (bp WA)
1008 **JAPAN**, Osaka, JONR, good w/2 men in JJ 1412 10/23. (bp WA)
1017 **CHINA**, CRI fair w/theme mx & ID in CC&KK 1200 10/23. Loud KK talk o/unid talk 1410 10/23. (bp WA)
1017 **JAPAN**, Fukuoka, JOLB, o/u CRI w/JJ talk //774 1450 10/23. (bp WA)
1035 **S KOREA/JAPAN/CHINA**, 1342 10/23 wild mix of KK talk //711, CC talk //4460, and JJ talk //747. (bp WA)
1044 **CHINA**, 2101 10/23 CRI theme music, ID in JJ & CC, fair. Loud w/JJ talk 1218 10/24. (bp WA)
1044 **S KOREA**, KK talk mixing w/CRI 1410 10/23. (bp WA)
1053 **JAPAN**, animated woman in JJ 1310 10/23 o/jammer. (bp WA)
1062 **S KOREA**, woman in KK 1314 10/23. (bp WA)
1062 **S KOREA/CHINA**, mix of 3+1 KBS pips and 5+1 China pips, the later about 6 secs after TOH 1200 10/23. (bp WA)
1071 **JAPAN**, unid, cheerful woman in JJ, NOT //594 1433 10/24. (bp WA)
1089 **JAPAN**, good w/JJ talk o/unid opera (China?) 1513 10/23. (bp WA)
1140 **ALASKA**, Soldotna, KSLD, good o/u KGEM w/ESPN & legal ID 0500 10/23. (bp WA)
1143 **TAIWAN**, Fisheries Station good w/pop music, man in CC, time pips, theme mx 1300 10/12. (bp WA)
1152 **JAPAN**, NHK2 good w/JJ talk //774 1212 10/23, fair //774 1514 10/23. (bp WA)
1170 **S KOREA**, KBS World Radio, pips theme music, ID, JJ talk u/KPUG 1200 10/23. (bp WA)
1179 **CHINA**, 1200 10/23 pips & fanfare from possible ID, too weak to understand. (bp WA)
1188 **JAPAN**, JJ talk //594 fair o/hymn from presumed HLKX. (bp WA)
1206 **CHINA**, Yanbian, fair w/KK talk 1202 10/24. (bp WA)
1224 **JAPAN**, JJ talk fair //594 1309 10/23. (bp WA)
1224 **S KOREA**, KBS3 //1134 fair w/man in KK 1256 10/23. (bp WA)
1242 **JAPAN**, Tokyo, JOLF, 1257 10/23 two men in JJ, possibly sporting event. (bp WA)
1314 **PHILIPPINES**, 1517 10/23 briefly good w/talk in Tagalog, possibly religious in nature. (bp WA)
1377 **CHINA**, CNR1, good w/interview in CC 1336 10/23. (bp WA)
1386 **JAPAN**, good JJ talk 1519. (bp WA)
1566 **S KOREA**, Cheju, HLAZ, religious talk by an in English alternating w/ CC translation 1216 10/23. (bp WA)
1575 **THAILAND**, VOA, fair w/rock music 1155 10/24, though it was AFN at first, but had EE ID & address for VOA at 1159. (bp WA)
1593 **CHINA**, CNR1 good 1215 10/23. (bp WA)

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It's hard to believe that it's been 29 years since I got my DXing into high gear. Starting out on shortwave in October 1981, I graduated to the AM broadcast band just two months later. I got into FM DX by the spring of 1982 and TV DX during the following summer. I DXed from 1981 to 1988 from the old Lamplight Lane QTH, which is two blocks southwest of my current QTH, and logged some 400 AM stations. From 1988 to 1991, I DXed from Woodstock, GA in southern Cherokee County, logging some 150 AM stations. I logged just 50 AM stations from my third QTH in Marietta, GA, across the county line in Cobb County. The Georgia QTHs were ideal for FM and TV DXing, and afforded me a taste of what kind of DX I would experience when I arrived at my current QTH in June 1992. The highlight of my Georgia stay was hearing several St. Louis FM stations on November 15, 1988. That night, I logged St. Louis area stations on 90.7, 92.3, 93.7, 99.1, 102.5, 105.7 and 107.7. I pulled in the 92.3 despite a semi-local from Chattanooga. The station in Canton, GA was on 105.5 then, and didn't move to 105.7 until May 1989. During my stay in Georgia, I logged St. Louis area AM stations on 550, 590, 630, 690, 770, 850, 1120, 1260, 1380 and 1430. By contrast, at my present location, I've logged Atlanta area AM stations on 640, 680, 750, 790, 920, 970, 1010, 1040, 1080, 1190, 1260, 1380, 1480, 1550 and 1570, FM stations on 92.9, 94.1, 96.1 and 101.5, and analog TV stations on channels 17, 36, 57 and 69. As of this writing, I have logged 1,137 AM stations, 1,080 FM stations, and 543 analog TV stations since I started those logs in July 1992. I started my NOAA Weather Radio log in January 2001, and logged 88 stations from 15 states. I started my digital TV log in September 2005, and logged 122 stations from 14 states. Next year will mark 30 years in this hobby; I will be celebrating 20 years as a licensed Amateur Radio operator in 2012. While I've been busy with putting together DX Monitor, I've also found time to hit the dials. I missed the October 16 DX test from WGBW 1590 Two Rivers, WI, but I did log them on October 29 at 2047 ELT with Oldies, "The True Oldies Channel" slogan, Scott Shannon with a tidbit on airport security, into local ads and a weather forecast read by Mark Heller. WGBW dominated over WVNA and KYNG. I often wonder how many of us have kept a note of which graveyard stations are received on each channel more than others, especially at night. Take, as an example, my location. On 1230 during the daytime, WHCO Sparta, IL dominates, although I can put a tight null on the station to pull in either KWIX Moberly, MO or WJBC Bloomington, IL. At night, the most frequently heard station in recent months has been KZYM Joplin, MO. On 1240, WTAX Springfield, IL usually dominates, although I can hear KFMO Park Hills, MO in the background. The digital interference to 1240 from WSDZ 1260 Belleville, IL is moderate with a slight leaning toward severe status. At night, I most often hear WENK Union City, TN and KBIZ Ottumwa, IA. On 1340, KXEO Mexico, MO is the dominant during the daytime, even in AM Stereo. I can occasionally put enough of a null on them to hear WSOY Decatur, IL. At night, I most often can hear WLOK Memphis, TN in addition to KXEO and WSOY. On 1400, KJFF Festus, MO dominates, but I can put a tight null on them to hear KFRU Columbia, MO. At night, I most frequently hear WGIL Galesburg, IL. On 1450, WFMB Springfield, IL is often on top; occasionally (when they're on), KYLS Fredericktown, MO comes through, even with splatter from KHOJ 1460, whose transmitter site is some 10 miles west of my location. At night, I most frequently get KIRX Kirksville, MO. Semi-local WQQX is parked on 1490, and has a good signal during the daytime. However, I can put a tight null on them to hear KTTR Rolla, MO. At night, I most frequently hear KDMO Carthage, MO. On the local front, WSDD 100.3 is now licensed to Bridgeton, MO; I thought that CP would never get on the air. The station is now a Class C3, downgraded from a Class B at Alton, IL. The station broadcasts a Modern Adult Contemporary format. The low-definition digital count is now down to three in St. Louis; KATZ 1600 has dropped it for interference reasons. No one will be happy until KFUE 850, KMOX 1120 and WSDZ 1260 drop digital permanently. 73.

2010 IRCA CONVENTION REPORT

Pat Martin – Seaside, OR

The Seaside Oregon 2010 IRCA convention was a blast! Several arrived early on Thursday afternoon, Bill Nittler of Belen NM; Bill Block of Prescott Valley AZ; Phil Bytheway of Seattle WA; Dawn and Dennis Vroom from Vancouver WA, Mike Stonebridge of St. Isidore AB and Theo Donnelly of Vancouver BC. The weather was a bit showery on Thursday, but improved by Friday in the 70 degree range. Thursday afternoon we headed over to Dooger's Seafood for dinner and then arrived back to the Inn at Seaside and did some visiting. Bill Block, Mike Stonebridge, and I all headed out for a nice walk on the beach along the beautiful Pacific Ocean. It was really a nice evening with the waves crashing along the shore.

Friday morning, several others had arrived, John Adams of Seaside OR, Jim and Curtis McMenamin from Vacaville CA, Christine and Tom Schmidt from Kelowna BC, Dave Williams from

Astoria OR and we all headed over to KSWB Seaside for a tour at 9. The tour and visit was held by John Chapman, GM. He even put me on the air to talk a bit about the IRCA. After that we returned to the Inn at Seaside and opened the Meeting Room. At noon we headed out for lunch, and met back at the motel at 1 PM to take off for our tour of New NW Broadcasting in Warrenton, 12 miles North. We had toured the old building in Astoria on Marine Drive in 2006, but this is their new building where they house KAST and KKEE, plus 3 FMs. After the tour. Tom Friel, now GM of New NW BCing gave us the wonderful tour of the new building. After that, we headed over a drive-by of the KAST towers, and then onto the single KKEE tower. Then we headed back to Seaside and drove by the KSWB tower. Getting back to the motel a bit before dinner. After dinner we had a nice visit all evening. The meeting room closed about 11 PM.

Saturday morning we opened up the meeting room at 9 and on Saturday afternoon headed back up to Astoria to the Astoria Column, atop Coxcolm Hill, where there is a beautiful view of the Columbia River and Youngs Bay. Some even took the hike up the stairs to the top of the column for even a better view of the area. A bit on the windy side, but still very nice. We arrived back to have the IRCA business meeting where the winner of the TVA was Bill Block and Phil Bytheway presented Bill the award. The Ric Heald Award went to John Bryant, and it will be sent on to his wife. The annual banquet was held at the Seaside Pig N' Pancake, and then we returned back to the meeting room for the IRCA auction, with the famous Phil Bytheway. I helped out a bit organizing things. The auctions are always a lot of fun.

Sunday morning, some had to leave, but a few stayed around for a trip to Tillamook, a 50 mile trip down the coast to the Tillamook Cheese Factory, then on to a drive-by of KTLI, and then on to the Tillamook Air Museum with over 30 restored vintage flying aircraft and other interesting items like old WWII radios.

We had 21 at the convention and I would like to thank everyone for coming and I hope all had a good time.

Attendees:

John Adams – Seaside OR
 Bill Block – Prescott Valley AZ
 Phil Bytheway – Seattle WA
 Theo Donnelly – Vancouver BC
 Dennis Gibson – Santa Barbara CA
 Glen Hansen – St. Helens OR
 Patrick Martin – Warrenton OR
 Curtis McMenamin – Vacaville CA
 Jim McMenamin – Vacaville CA
 Frank Merrill – Macomb IL
 Bill Nittler – Belen NM

Doug Pifer – Salem OR
 Bruce Portzer – Seattle WA
 Evelyn Portzer – Seattle WA
 Christine Schmidt – Kelowna BC
 Ted Schmidt – Kelowna BC
 Mike Stonebridge – St. Isidore AB
 Dawn Vroom – Vancouver WA
 Dennis Vroom – Vancouver WA
 Ted Wendland – Vancouver BC
 Dave Williams – Astoria OR

GEOMAGNETIC INDICES

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Geomagnetic Summary October 1 2010 through October 31 2010
 Tabulated from email status daily.

Date	Flux	A	K	Space Wx
10/ 1	87	1	1	no storms
2	85	0	1	no storms
3	80	1	1	no storms
4	76	2	1	no storms
5	74	6	1	no storms
6	74	6	1	no storms
7	75	4	1	no storms
8	75	4	2	no storms
9	76	3	1	no storms
10	76	1	1	no storms
11	75	16	2	no storms
12	75	9	2	no storms
13	78	5	1	no storms
14	80	0	0	no storms
15	82	4	1	no storms
16	87	5	2	minor
17	84	13	2	minor

18	91	5	3	no storms
19	87	6	1	no storms
20	84	3	1	no storms
21	84	3	1	no storms
22	82	9	4	no storms
23	84	22	4	no storms
24	82	16	2	no storms
25	86	5	2	no storms
26	86	9	1	no storms
27	88	4	1	no storms
28	86	3	1	no storms
29	86	3	0	no storms
30	85	3	1	no storms
10/31	81	4	1	no storms

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