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FROM THE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Some of us are wondering: "Where have you gone, Saul Chernos?" This year, there have been no DX Tests scheduled. This DX Monitor may be late for postal subscribers since Fresh is out of the country on his annual cruise. I'm sure you're wanting to do something new for IRCA; there are still a few openings left. Contact Lee Freshwater for details.

DX TESTS?

In response to the question mentioned in my notes, Lee Freshwater forwarded this to me. Phil Bytheway states: "It seems that Saul is no longer working towards setting up DX tests...and I'm wondering if he had 'officially' resigned his position with NRC." Additionally, NRC's Wayne Heinen said in an E-mail to Phil: "The last few tests were scheduled by others, including me, Paul (Swearingen?), Kraig Krist and others." Wayne adds: "We're just in limbo on tests right now. I'm as much in the dark about this as most of us are. Apparently, the CPC Chair position is open in IRCA. More details to come in forthcoming issues."

LEARNING AND SHARING: 2013 - TWIN CITIES

The NRC and IRCA, the Minnesota DX Club and the Worldwide TV-FM DX Association will convene in Minneapolis August 1st through the 4th, 2013.

The hotel selected for the 2013 Convention is the **Holiday Inn Bloomington South Airport Mall** in Minneapolis. The hotel provides free transportation to and from the airport and the Mall of America and will host the Saturday night joint banquet. All hotel rooms have microwave and refrigerator, HD cable. Free WiFi, and a Business Center are available. There's a great pool area where we'll have a Hospitality room. Breakfast is provided each morning and there's a Green Mill Restaurant and bar area.

Make your hotel reservations *right now*, to get the special convention rate. Call the Holiday Inn at 952-884-8211. Use the registration code "NRC" to obtain the special convention rate of \$79.00 per night. This rate includes tax.

Cost for convention registration is \$45 for members and guests. This includes the Saturday night banquet, as well as the amenities at the **Museum of Broadcasting** and the Friday evening "Pizza-fest" at the Museum.

Your check or Money Order for registration should be **payable to: "The National Radio Club"**. Send to **Skip Dabelstein at 8008 North Iron Ridge Drive, Tucson, Arizona 85743**. You can contact Skip at **ckdabel@comcast.net**. Once you are registered, we'll send you an information form so we can learn about your special needs and interests. PLEASE register early so we can include you on pre-convention information.

You can also register on-line at <http://www.nrcdxas.org/convention/13nrccon/2013Info.htm> Remember to add a dollar to the on-line cost if you're using PayPal.

Auction items as well as anything else you wish to send ahead of your arrival should be sent to: Steve Raymer, Museum of Broadcasting, 3517 Raleigh Avenue, St. Louis Park Minnesota 55416. Please put "HOLD FOR DX CONVENTION" on your packages.

If you have questions please contact Host Mark Durenberger at www.durenberger.com. For further information about the clubs, click on their logos above.

FROM THE PRESIDENT (Lee J. Freshwater)

Volunteers are needed for the following:

AWARDS : Not much to do here except for printing out the HEALD award every year. . No one has applied for the DX awards for many years.

PUBLISHING : Get address list from Lynn. Create labels and envelopes. Send (email) PDF file from the EIC to the printers. Pick up, Staple, Fold, stuff, then mail. It takes me about an hour to do the labels and envelopes. I usually do the envelopes on Wednesday morning before leaving for work. I pick up the DXM at the Printers on Wednesday night on my way to dinner. I staple, fold and mail on SATURDAY AM. It takes about an hour to fold and staple. It helps when you have a wife that assists you. You can set your own

schedule as long as the issues go out on or before the masthead date. You will also need to send out sample issues as needed.

E.D.X.R. : Take email and mailed in DX reports and put in proper form for publication. Usually takes me about an hour to 90 minutes per issue.

I will be giving up these duties at the end of VOLUME 50. If no one comes forward during VOLUME 50, these features WILL go away. I will NOT extend my club duties past VOL 50.

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COLUMN DEADLINES: SATURDAYS

Please send your tips to the Email address above only and no other.
 Deadlines for column will be Saturdays. Thank you.

CALL CHANGES

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW CALL
830	KOTC	Kennett, MO	WUMY
1530	WYNE	North East, PA	WMCE

FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW INFORMATION
560	WIND	Chicago, IL	old slogan "News Talk 560", now "AM 560 The Answer"
810	WRSO	Orlovista, FL	new slogan "CBS Sports Radio 810"
810	WRSO	Orlovista, FL	old slogan "Rivalz Sports Radio 810 AM"
810	WRSO	Orlovista, FL	was Yahoo Sports Radio, now CBS Sports Radio
960	WTGM	Salisbury, MD	old slogan "ESPN 960", now "Comedy 960"
960	WTGM	Salisbury, MD	was ESPN sports, now Comedy 24/7
1010	WHFS	Seffner, FL	old slogan "98.7 The Fan", now "CBS Sports Radio 1010"
1010	WHFS	Seffner, FL	was Yahoo Sports Radio, now CBS Sports radio
1020	WRIX	Homeland Park, SC	old slogan "Gospel AM", now "The Power of the Gospel"
1140	KRMP	Oklahoma City, OK	old slogan "The Touch 1140" now "Heart & Soul 92.1"
1230	KERV	Kerrville, TX	was classic country, now talk/classic country
1230	KRXK	Rexburg, ID	adds slogan "Radio Pandemic"
1230	KRXK	Rexburg, ID	was silent, now adult alternative
1230	WFVA	Fredericksburg, VA	was adult standards, now talk
1230	WXCF	Clifton Forge, VA	adds slogan "103.5 Big Country"
1230	WXCF	Clifton Forge, VA	was silent, now Dial Global True Country
1240	WSFC	Somerset, KY	old slogan "Radio 1240", now "Fox Sports Radio 1240"
1240	WSFC	Somerset, KY	was talk, now Fox Sports radio
1270	WAIN	Columbia, KY	old slogan "Fox Sports Radio AM 1270"
1270	WAIN	Columbia, KY	slogan now "CBS Sports Radio AM 1270"
1270	WAIN	Columbia, KY	was Fox Sports Radio, now CBS Sports
1280	WANS	Anderson, SC	old slogan "Talk 1280" now "Fox Sports Radio 1280"
1280	WANS	Anderson, SC	was talk, now Fox Sports Radio
1290	KDMS	El Dorado, AR	was talk, now southern gospel
1300	WKSC	Kershaw, SC	was silent, now format not available
1330	WBTM	Danville, VA	was oldies, now classic hits
1340	KTSN	Elko, NV	was silent, now format not available
1340	WKEY	Covington, VA	adds slogan "103.5 Big Country"
1360	KLYR	Clarksville, AR	now Dial Global True Country
1360	KLYR	Clarksville, AR	slogan was "West Arkansas' Radio Tradition"
1360	KLYR	Clarksville, AR	slogan now "True Country"
1360	KLYR	Clarksville, AR	was Dial Global Mainstream country
1360	WIXI	Jasper, AL	old slogan "Classic Country 1360", now "La Jefa"
1360	WIXI	Jasper, AL	was talk/Classic Country, now regional Mexican
1360	WMOV	Ravenswood, WV	old slogan "AM 1360", now "The Fun Station 1360"
1360	WMOV	Ravenswood, WV	was talk, now Dial Global Pop Classic Hits/Oldies
1430	WXNT	Indianapolis IN	old slogan "News Talk 1430", now "Sports 1430"
1430	WXNT	Indianapolis, IN	was news/talk, now CBS Sports Radio
1440	WGMI	Bremen, GA	new slogan "Christian Family Radio 1440"

1440	WGMI	Bremen, GA	old slogan "WGMI 1440 The Train"
1440	WGMI	Bremen, GA	was classic hits, now Contemporary Christian
1440	WRED	Westbrook, ME	was Yahoo Sports Radio, now Fox Sports Radio
1450	WVAX	Charlottesville, VA	adds slogan "1450 ESPN Charlottesville"
1450	WVAX	Charlottesville, VA	was talk, now ESPN Sports
1460	WMCJ	Cullman, AL	now silent
1490	KXLQ	Indianola, IA	was Yahoo Sports Radio, now ESPN Sports Radio
1530	KVDW	England, AR	was silent, now black gospel, slogan "Victory 1530 AM"
1560	WBOL	Bolivar, TN	was urban contemporary, now oldies, slogan "WBOL AM"
1590	WXRS	Swainsboro, GA	adds slogan "The Rocket 97.1"

MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Art Blair of Fruitland, ID sends along the following dated 1/15/13:

1450 KWEI ID Notus, ID now ESPN Deportes.

Dave Gordon of San Jose, CA sends along the following dated 1/15/13:

I just read your latest column in the bulletin. You're saying KYAA dropped oldies and switched to EWTN. I'm still hearing oldies on KYAA.

Dennis Gibson of Santa Barbara, CA sends along the following dated 1/15/13:

KLFF-890 Arroyo Grande, CA not KIHG yet and not EWTN yet.

Got a taste of my first snow here in the DC area the last 2 days, roads were quite treacherous. But the weather will start warming slowly as we head into spring. Hope your winter DX is wonderful. 73's. Bob Wien

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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WDXR DEADLINES: Feb. 1, Feb. 8, Feb. 22, March 8, March 22. Please use Eastern Time.

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- 670 KMZQ NV, Las Vegas 1/18 0705 promo for Laura Ingraham "on AM 670." (RB-AZ)
- 940 KICE OR, Bend 1/18 1842 ESPN program promos, sports news, etc. (AB-ID)
- 990 KRKS CO, Denver 1/24 2059 with "The Mighty 990 KRKS." (BB-AZ)
- 1240 KJAA AZ, Globe 1/21 0927 "From Globe, Arizona, this is Jukebox 1240" then oldies with "Jukebox 1240" after every song. A new format for this station. (BB-AZ)
- 1290 KPAY CA, Chico 1/19 0430 3 stations in/out, trying to ID one with Asian language when KPAY came thru dominant. Local spot for "Madison Bear Garden," to network news recap, then sank into the muck. (RB-AZ)
- 1340 KPGE AZ, Page 1/21 1922 with "KPGE Lake Powell Country." (BB-AZ)
- 1380 KTKZ CA, Sacramento 1/25 0835 suddenly rising up out of the muddle "Here at the KTKZ website." (RB-AZ)
- 1520 KKXA WA, Snohomish now C&W "Classic Country KXA." (AB-ID)
- 1680 KGED CA, Fresno 1/25 break from "Laura Ingraham Show" to national spots. Outstanding reception. Noted new format. Before, Christian programming, with Mike Huckabee show being sort of in-between gray area. Looks like new format is conservative talk radio. (RB-AZ)

Thank you to our three reporters this week. Nancy 1/25 2100

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DOWN THE DIAL

- 570 WKBN OH, Youngstown. 1-19 good in WKYX null. 16:58 with sports promo, "News, talk 5-70 WKBN" ID, promo for a program on WLIO-1390, local spots, legal ID going into Fox News Radio. [EB-MO]
- 660 KSKY TX, Balch Springs. 1-24 good over WFAN, ACI from WSCR-670. 02:42 with local spots, "6-60 AM The Answer" slogan into talk format. [EB-MO]
- 680 CFTR ON, Toronto. 1-24 fair to poor through KNBR. 03:01 with traffic report mentioning "the four hundred" (ON Provincial Road 400), weather forecast. [EB-MO]
- 720 KSAH TX, Universal City. 1-18 with WGN nulled, no KDWN. 09:59 with "ESPN Deportes" and a "KSAH Universal City" legal ID in heavily accented English. [GH-OK]
- 830 WQZQ TN, Goodlettsville. 1-19 good over WCCO, digital interference from KFUE-850. 17:34 with Urban Gospel format, "Giving you 25 minutes of continuous music, 1-0-1-9 and 1-0-2-1 The Light" slogan. [EB-MO]
- 1090 WAQE WI, Rice Lake. 1-19 good over WCRA, KAAV, ACI from WRYT-1080. 16:48 with weather forecast, "Sports talk 10-90, your home for Fox Sports Radio" ID. [EB-MO]
- 1170 WDFB KY, Junction City. 1-19 good to fair over KFAQ, KJOC. 17:15 with Southern Gospel format, "In Touch" promo, mention of 88.1 FM, "WDFB" ID into a church calendar feature. [EB-MO]
- 1300 WRDZ IL, LaGrange. 1-19 good to poor mixing with WNQM. 16:54 with pop music, "Radio Disney" slogan before fading out. [EB-MO]
- 1390 WMER MS, Meridian. 1-24 fair to poor mixing with WTJS. 02:07 with Southern Gospel format, "WMER" ID. [EB-MO]
- WSPO SC, Charleston. 1-19 good to fair, ACI from KXFN-1380. 17:20 with spots for the various tourist attractions in the Charleston area. [EB-MO]
- 1620 KOZN NE, Bellevue. 1-24 good to fair over WTAW, Cuban. 02:13 with "16-20 The Zone and 1620thezone-dot-com" slogan during promo. Local spots, promo for KZOT-1180 "11-80 The Zone 2, The Deuce" into Fox Sports Radio. [EB-MO]
- 1650 KBJD CO, Denver. 1-19 good over KCNZ. 17:25 with local spots, "Radio Luz" slogan and Contemporary Christian format in Spanish. [EB-MO]

25 YEARS AGO

January 30, 1988 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Gary Siegel** of Toledo, OH said he added 54 new stations in 1987 bringing his total to 2843 ... **Rick Heald** of Sacramento, CA hadn't logged KUTY Palmdale for three years, they had been rock, but Rick discovered a format change to country ... **Tim Kridel** of Middle Island, NY thanked Bill Harms for info on ADAM and was amazed by the amount of software available for it.

OPEN MIKE

Eric mentioned WRDZ-1300 was one of his most wanted Illinois stations. This column was typed 1-26-13. 73, John

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Deadlines, Sunday noon PLT.

TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 153 **RUSSIA**, Komomolsk, R Rossii. 1413-1415 1/24 good signal with man in RR NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 189 **RUSSIA**, Petropavlovsk, R Rossii. 1416 1/24 weak signal with man in RR. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 209 **ALASKA**, Yakataga, CYT. 0811 1/26 very weak with weather forecast. HPAW. (DV-WA)
- 279 **RUSSIA**, Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, R Rossii 1418 1/24 good with man in RR. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1347 1/25 very weak signal with man in RR. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 529 **ALASKA**, Level Island, 0813 1/26 very weak signal with weather forecast. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 567 **JAPAN**, JOIK, Sapporo, NHK1. 1328 1/25 very weak with man in JJ. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Weak audio, with talk by a woman at 1456 1/25, presumably JOIK from Japan. (NP-AB)
- 594 **JAPAN**, JOAK, Tokyo, NHK1. 1342 1/24 fair signal with two men in JJ. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ Fair ~ 1445 1/24. (CN-BC)
+ Fair signal, poking over the IBOC with man in JJ at 1429 1/25. (NP-AB)
+ 1515 1/26 weak signal with JJ talk. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 603 **REP KOREA**, HLSA, Seoul. 1340 1/25 assuming the station with very weak signal and man in ? NW ewe. (DV-WA)
+ 1510 1/26 assuming the station with poor signal with talk. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 639 **CHINA**, Beijing. 1328 1/25 weak signal with man in CC. NW ewe. (DV-WA)

- 693 **JAPAN**, JOBB, Tokyo, NHK2. 1430 1/24 weak signal with man in JJ and moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
 + Good signal with EE lesson at 1427 1/25, //774 etc. (NP-AB)
- 747 **JAPAN**, JOIB, Tokyo, NHK2. 1420 1/24 fair signal with beginning of EE R Conversation Program. Heavy splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
 + Fair to good at 1422 1/25 with EE lesson. (NP-AB)
 + 0804 1/26 fair signal with man in JJ. Heavy splatter from KXTG NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 747 **UnID**. 1325 1/24, JBA TP carrier detected here on a quick check, soon gone, no time for a complete MW 9 kHz scan; typically NHK Japan. (GH-OK)
- 774 **JAPAN**, JOUB, Akita, NHK2. 1422 1/24 fair signal with moderate splatter. //747. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
 + 0805 1/26 good signal with woman in JJ with moderate splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
 + Fair-Gd ~1445 1/24. (CN-BC)
 + Fair to good signal at 1422 1/25 with EE lesson. (NP-AB)
 + Heard at 1427 1/24 with talk. (BB-AZ)
- 828 **JAPAN**, JOBB. The only JJ station heard barely rising above the noise level at 1342 1/24 (sunrise was at 1338). (RA-OK)
 + Fair to good at 1423 1/25 with EE lesson. (NP-AB)
- 945 **UnID**. With vocal by a woman a 1423 1/25. (NP-AB)
- 972 **REP KOREA**, HLCA, Dangjin, KBS. 1424 1/24 weak with woman in KK. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
 + KK talk in the noise ~1445 1/24. (CN-BC)
 + Good signal with music, talk by man and woman in KK at 1424 1/25. (NP-AB)
 + Good KK pop music and KK YL-OM conversation at 1550 1/25 <http://www.mediafire.com/?6huqxay24odblh7>. (GDB-WA)
- 981 **UnID**. Weak in strong 980 splatter, but definite CC talk by a man at 1431. 5+1 pips at 1500 1/25. Might have been CNR1 //945, but the two would never come in at the same time. (NP-AB)
- 1053 **REP KOREA**, jammer. The best of the morning. It was heard from 1333 1/24 until fade-out at 1354. It was at fair strength at 1333-1339. (RA-OK)
- 1206 **CHINA**. Traces of audio from the off-freq CC at 1407 1/25. (NP-AB)
- 1503t **AUSTRALIA**. 1523-1524 1/26 assuming the weak signal with man in DU EE accent. Signal over JOUK most of time. (DV-WA)
- 1503 **JAPAN**, JOUK, Akita, NHK1. 1522 1/26 weak signal with woman in JJ. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1566 **REP KOREA**, HLAZ, Cheju, FEBC. Heard at 1426 1/23 with talk fair signal. (BB-AZ)
 + Was heard at 1325 1/24 with barely audible traces of audio rising above the noise. It rose to poor strength with a man talking at 1330. (RA-OK)
 + Heard at 1425 1/24 with talk. (BB-AZ)
 + Monster signal during CC Christian program at 1555 1/24, best signal ever here <http://www.mediafire.com/?uyji5n0bn9xdp75>. (GDB-WA)
 + Poor at 1436 1/25. (NP-AB)
 + 1507 1/26 fair signal with man in CC. NW ewe. (DV-WA)
- 1575 **THAILAND**, Ban Rassom, VoA. Good signal late in sunrise enhancement; TOH EE ID at 1600 1/24 <http://www.mediafire.com/?cpl5ftt48rcpgwo>. (GDB-WA)
- 1593 **CHINA**, Changzhou, CNR1. Heard at 1423 1/24 with talk. (BB-AZ)
 + 1503-1505 1/26 weak signal with man in CC. Moderate KOHI splatter. NW ewe. (DV-WA)

PAN AMERICAN DX ROUNDUP

- 540 **MÉXICO**, XETX, Nuevo Casas Grandes, Chih. 0632 1/18, 'Hora Nacional' promo, 0633 PSA for Instituto Estatal Electoral, but didn't hear which state; "Sí, se puede" federal PSA. Then ID as "90.5, La Ranchera de Paquime, y 540 AM," also mentions group BM Radio, and on to romantic music. XETX once again, and still no sign of XEWA. Sounds like they stress it Paquime, rather than Paquimé. (GH-OK)
- 800 **MÉXICO**, XEROK, Ciudad Juárez, Chih. 1307 1/24, "XEROK, la estación más potente del norte de México, 50 mil watts," then hyped news ID numerous times as "Calibre 800" – must be contraction for canal libre, outro? Then a prayer rendering gracias to some señor, choral music bit; 1311 over to live announcer, YL emitting her own "cucú" laughing, silly chatter with others; she has poor diction, also mentions sibling station XEWG 1240, so simulcast? XEROK is really peaking now, way over KQCV OKC still on night facilities; other guy promotes that later this morning he is going to give away tickets to an Indios game on Sunday; 6:14 TC, talk about the 'clima,' current temp 6C. Now the distorted modulation station is starting to QRM, presumably XEDD or XEZR, still not positively IDed. As for the power, we know XEROK was once 150 kW, and IRCA Mexican Log still shows that day and night, while Cantú and WRTH 2013 both show 50 kW now. (GH-OK)
- 830 **MÉXICO**, XEIK, Piedras Negras, Coah, R Zócalo. 1317 1/24. SS news from between SW and SSW, vs WCCO opposite, jarring mispronunciation of François Hollande as "frankois," each letter pronounced, 7:18 TC, 1321 ID as R Zócalo, ad mentions Colonia Lomas del Norte, then Piedras Negras, FM frequency jingle ending in .9, ie 100.9 as XHIK is listed, on to music. As

- previously researched, this is XEIK, R Zócalo being the group or news name connected with Saltillo, while all references continue to name this 830 outlet La Noreña. (GH-OK)
- 900 **MÉXICO**, XEW, México, DF. 0728 1/24 noted with "W Radio" and "XEW" IDs, local and national ads in SS. Fair signal mixing with CHML, KFAL, KHOZ. (EB-MO)
 + 0643 1/24, program promos for W Radio, atop CCI with SAH, 0645 traditional XEW descending chimes. (GH-OK)
- 900 **MÉXICO**. UnID. 0649 1/18. Screaming gospel huxter in SS, loops N/S with SAH. I sure hope this is not what has become of the once mighty XEW. (GH-OK)
 + 0655 1/24, now however, preacher with howling audience including kid sounds, which as before I hope is else whence than XEW: it is, 0659 concluding with assertion that música rock es satánica, ID as R Así (sounds like, meaning thus, or that's the way it is; or could it be Asis as in San Francisco de?) and refers to 'La Biblia Dice' as program name, lunes a jueves 11 pm a 1 am, which has just been reached in CST. 0700 "R Así en 900 de amplitud modulada," website ending in .mx; 0701 mentions Monterrey, but more 'La Biblia Dice,' 0702 mentions Nuevo León and 900 AM again. Anyhow, this must be what is listed as XEOK, La OK Noticias, 10/0.25 kW in Monterrey per IRCA Mexican Log 2012; WRTH same except has R Tráfico as additional slogan. Cantú as OK Noticias only and nite power as 2.5 kW, which is more like it. 900 in Monty was once a co-channel XEW relay as XEWM, long gone. Monty and DF are close to same direction from here, Monty somewhat further west. Here's what it really is, as linked from Cantú's NL listings: R ACIR, not Así. That's the name of a national group but this particular website is for the Monterrey XEOK station; beware, en vivo audio autolaunches! <http://www.radioacir.net/>. Program schedule is not helpful with large blocks including these merely labeled "Pro. Nacional o Independiente." (GH-OK)
- 960 **MÉXICO**, XEFAMA, Ciudad Camargo. 0600-0605 1/22, during local KGWA Fox-hole with remaining strong open carrier nulled: dominated by Mexican music, 0602 ID mentions "Chihuahua, México," so XEFAMA again, which is becoming famous around here for penetrating KGWA. Romantic music until KGWA modulation blasts back on at 0605. (GH-OK)
- 970 **MÉXICO**, XEJ, Ciudad Juárez, Chih. 1240 1/20. Just as I tune in, "La Jota Mexicana, 9-70," ie XEJ. (GH-OK)
- 1050 **MÉXICO**, XEG, Monterrey, NL. 0808 1/24 noted with Ranchera music, brief DJ talk, promo, "La Ranchera de Monterrey" ID in SS. Very good, obliterating CKSB and WEPN. (EB-MO)
- 1090 **MÉXICO**, XEAU, Monterrey NL. 0636 1/23. "En tu radio, Milenio 103.7 FM" and back to rock music in EE. I think not, but something on 1090 AM, ie XEAU, listed 250 or 500 watts at night, but not so unusual here, and in fact often dominant. Now it's a bit easier as KAAY Little Rock is reported off the air, maybe forever. (GH-OK)
 + 0600 1/24, Mexican NA no doubt XEAU too, and 0640 with music in EE. Also at 1251 ID as Milenio R, 6:51 TC, SAH from something. (GH-OK)
- 1100 **MÉXICO**, XETGO, Tlaltenango, Zac, R Cañón. 1252 1/23. Frenetic banda music looping NE/SW, quick announcement unreadable by SHVA, then a slow song. 1253 plays fanfares several times, 1254 YL introduces newscast with phone number, www. site mentioning Zacatecas. Possibly separate stations, as rechecking the bearing now it's closer to N/S appropriate for Zac, ie per Cantú: XETGO + FM 90.1. 5,000 400. And IRCA agrees; WRTH shows power as 5/0.5 kW. 1257 fading, as KFAB 1110 splatter overtakes. (GH-OK)
- 1560 **MÉXICO**, XEJPV, Ciudad Juárez, Chih. 0645 1/19. "En R Viva, proclamamos lo altísimo ["the most high"], R Viva 15-60" on to gospel rock in SS. I figured this would be easy to look up, but no such slogan on 1560 in NRC AM Log. Nor R "Vida," as it could have been. NRC has the only SS:REL on 1560 as KVAN in Burbank WA, night power 700 watts. Soon lost in QRM and did not get a bearing on it. O, here is R Viva in the IRCA Mexican Log: XEJPV, 10/-1 kW – the minus really means presumed/suspected/estimated night power. WRTH 2013 says 1 kW fulltime, and Cantú says 1 kW daytime only: hardly. (GH-OK)
- 1570 **MÉXICO**. 1529 1/19. SS, can it be XERF, or Tula? By golly, promo for 'La Hora Nacional,' and it loops correctly for XERF, almost two hours after sunrise and about a megameter away. Sure helps to be La Poderosa. (GH-OK)

TROPICAL BAND DX ROUNDUP

- 2910 **MÉXICO**, XEVT Villahermosa, Tab. 1223 1/24. Very poor in SS, S9+10 with fading but not enough vs noise level, so XEVT as previously identified, is still third-harmonicizing from 970. Surprisingly, by now I have yet to see anyone else reporting it. (GH-OK)
- 3320 **SOUTH AFRICA**, R Sonder Gense, Meyerton. 0400 1/24 noted with ID and news in Afrikaans. Fair to poor signal. (EB-MO)
- 3350 **COSTA RICA**, R Exterior de España relay, Cariari. 0258 1/24 noted with pop music, ID and news in SS. Fair signal. (EB-MO)
- 3480 **REP KOREA**, V of the People. 1130 1/2. Strong, clear, with male in KK in long monologue. Not much QRM here from jammer – limited to putting a heterodyne like whine over signal. (RB-AZ)
- 4055 **GUATEMALA**, R Verdad. 0345 1/25. Religious hymns, very good reception. (RB-AZ)

- 4885 **BRAZIL**, R Clube do Para, Belem. 0315 1/24 noted with interview and ads in PP. Fair to poor signal. (EB-MO)
 4930 **BOTSWANA**, VoA relay, Moepeng Hill. 0323 1/24 noted with news analysis, features and "Voice of America" IDs. Poor signal. (EB-MO)
 5150 **REP KOREA**, KK MND R. 1200 1/19. Long monologue by female in KK. Very Good! (RB-AZ)

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- BB-AZ **BILL BLOCK**, Prescott Valley AZ
 Drake R8
 CN-BC **COLIN NEWELL**, Victoria, BC VA7WWW
 ICOM 703+/DRAKE R8/ETON E1/Kenwood R2000, Wellbrook ALA100's Workman
 Verticals
 DV-WA **DENNIS VROOM**, Kalama WA
 DXing with JRC NRD 545, Drake R8B, EAC R-390. NW & W-SW ewe, Sky wire loop 753',
 Long wire 300', High Performance Active Whip (long wave)
 EB-MO **ERIC BUENEMAN**, Hazelwood, MO
 General Electric Superadio III, Sangean ATS-803A, 150' homebrew dipole
 GDB-WA **GARY DeBOCK**, Puyallup, WA
 C Crane SWP 7.5" Slider loopstick Ultralight + 8" FSL antenna (DXing indoors due to rain)
 GH-OK **GLENN HAUSER**, Enid OK
 Mostly DX-398 with internal antenna only, or Sony SRF-59
 NP-AB **NIGEL PIMBLETT**, Dunmore AB
 Perseus SDR, Wellbrook Phased Array
 RA-OK **RICHARD ALLEN**, near Perry OK
 Tecsun PL-310 with 7-inch FSL antenna.
 RB-AZ **RICK BARTON**, El Mirage AZ
 Hammarlund HQ-200, Slinky

SPORTCHANNELS IRCA

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This abbreviated edition of SportChannels IRCA is an update to one of the lists we provided in Volume 50 Number 20. Martin Foltz provided the information for the Stanley Cup Champion Los Angeles Kings; we're presenting it to you in this edition.

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| 1150 KTLK Los Angeles, CA | 1450 KPTR Palm Springs, CA |
| 1220 KHTS Canyon Country, CA | 1490 KMET Banning, CA |
| 1240 KLOA Ridgecrest, CA | 1520 KVTA Port Hueneme, CA |
| 1380 KOSS Palmdale, CA | |

In the last edition, I erroneously stated that the Southeast Division of the NHL's Eastern Conference network lists would be presented in the next edition, when it already had been presented! I meant to say the Northeast Division. Mea culpa! Mea culpa!

I didn't have room for this bit of trivia last issue, but did you know that every team in the NBA's Pacific Division, with the sole exception of the Phoenix Suns, were transplanted from other cities? The Golden State Warriors originally played in Philadelphia. The Los Angeles Lakers were transplants from Minneapolis. The Los Angeles Clippers were originally the Buffalo Braves; it adopted the Clippers name when the franchise moved to San Diego. The Sacramento Kings were called the Royals when they were in Rochester and Cincinnati; they adopted the Kings name when they were transplanted to Omaha and Kansas City, so as not to be confused with the Omaha Royals (now the Storm Chasers) and Kansas City Royals baseball teams.

Our most sincere thanks once again to Martin Foltz for providing the play-by-play personnel and radio network list for the Los Angeles Kings. Next edition, we'll present the network lists for the NHL's Northeast and Northwest divisions, as well as two more NBA divisions. We're also getting closer to the MLS soccer season and Spring Training for Major League Baseball. I'll see if I can get radio information for the MLS teams. 73 and play hard!

ARRL Hamfest Calendar

As you may know (and I can say this from experience-EiC), a Hamfest is a great place to find good deals on new and used receivers, wires and cables for antenna projects, and other hobby-related needs. The American Radio Relay League has a Web page to help you find a Hamfest near your home QTH or while you're traveling to other parts of the country. You can search by Zip Code, select from Hamfests within 25, 50, 100 and 250 miles of your home QTH, as well as city and state. (Searching by ARRL division and section is only for the Ham-savvy, hi.) To find a Hamfest in near your home QTH, visit <http://www.arrl.org/hamfests-and-conventions-calendar> and plug in your location or Zip Code. You'll be able to find upcoming Hamfests in your local area.

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