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No new members this time... Next time, our last weekly issue! Seattle deadline next Monday 6 PM PLT.

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Willis Monk

DXer **Willis Monk** of Old Fort, Tennessee, known for his frequent late-night logs and tips, as well as his love of Texas and lack of affinity for post-1960 popular music, died in October. Here is a link to his obituary: <http://www.jimrushfuneralhomes.com/obituaries/Willis-Monk/>.

Just Published – IRCA Slogans List (Winter 2015)

This completely revised Slogans List includes radio slogans from the US and Canada (over 4400).
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Are you ready for some Fort Wayne?

Save the dates July 10, 11, and 12 for **DX CONVENTION 2015**, this year's joint gathering of **IRCA, NRC, WTFDA** and **DecalcoMania** in Fort Wayne, Indiana! We're in the final stages of nailing down a hotel contract and thus the cost for registration, and we'll open the registration process in March. But in the meantime, here's what to expect: a hotel cost of \$99 or less a night and a registration fee of \$50 or less.
We'll kick things off on Friday, July 10 with some station tours during the day and a baseball game at night, as we visit Parkview Field in downtown Fort Wayne to see the Fort Wayne TinCaps (single-A Midwest League affiliate of the Padres) play in one of the nation's newest and most impressive minor-league parks.
On Saturday, we'll have educational sessions (and maybe a tour option or two) during the day and a DX banquet in the evening, followed by the Famous Auction and plenty of time for convivial chat in our meeting room/lounge.
Sunday, we'll have the DX Quiz before closing official convention activities. If you're still in town and don't have to rush to catch a flight, how about a visit to the Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg auto museum or the Three Rivers Festival, which will be underway when we're in town?
Stay tuned for all the registration details, coming soon - and in the meantime, get your vacation schedules in place and start making your plans to join us in Fort Wayne for a WO-WO-wonderful weekend of DX fun!
Scott Fybush, Your Friendly Host – scott@fybush.com

IRCA Convention West

Will be held Thu Sept 10-Sat Sept 12 2015 at Best Western Plus Avita Suites 3531 Torrance Blvd. Torrance CA 90503. Phone number for reservations is 310-540-5051 or email guestservices@avitasuitestorrance.com. Request International Radio Club of America group rate before August 9th deadline. Studio with one queen bed \$120. Studio with 2 queen beds \$125. Additional guest \$10 pp/night. 12% tax. Hotel website is www.avitasuitestorrance.com. Includes comp all you can eat hot breakfast buffet daily/ comp covered self parking/secured high speed wireless internet/nice view of KNX tower site. Registration fee is \$30 payable to **Mike Sanburn**, PO Box 1256, Bellflower CA 90707 (Does not include banquet). More details TBA. Questions and comments to mikesanburn@hotmail.com.

Bruce Portzer Annual DX Get Together

I'll be holding my annual DX get together on Saturday February 21 at 2 pm. Consider yourself invited, and be prepared to talk about AM, shortwave, or TV-FM DX with like-minded persons. Bring radio stuff for show-and-tell if you'd like.
It will be held at my house: 6546 19th Avenue NE in Seattle, 206-522-2521. Potluck snack food (liquid or solid) is welcome.

The 28th Annual NASWA Winter SWL Festival

Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania – February 27-28 2015.
The largest annual gathering of radio enthusiasts in north-eastern North America, bringing together shortwave listeners, DXers, AM/FM/TV DXers, scanner enthusiasts, radio broadcasters, Internet broadcasters, amateur radio operators, and others. Exhibits, workshops and lectures on all aspects of radio. 2 days of nothing but radio. If you love radio, you should be here! February 27-28 2015. See www.swlfest.com for full details. Follow the event on Facebook at Winter SWL Festival. **Sheldon Harvey**, Greenfield Park, Quebec
See you there! **Bruce**



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CALL CHANGES

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW CALL
1150	KXET	Portland, OR	KGDD
1400	KKZZ	Santa Paula, CA	KUNX
1520	KUNX	Port Hueneme, CA	KKZZ
1520	KGDD	Oregon City, OR	KXET
1530	KCMN	Colorado Springs, CO	KKHI

FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW INFORMATION
580	KZMX	Hot Springs, SD	now silent
690	WOKV	Jacksonville, FL	old slogan: "News Talk Radio WOKV", new: "News 104.5 WOKV"
710	WROM	Rome, GA	was religious teaching, now CHR, adds slogan: "103.1 Radio M"
930	WTOU	Battle Creek, MI	was silent, now Cumulus The Touch urban adult contemporary
980	WTOT	Marianna, FL	now silent
990	WITZ	Jasper, IN	was adult contemporary, now Westwood One Fierro regional Mexican

1120	WKCE	Maryville, TN	was comedy, now oldies, old slogan: "Funny 1120", new: "True Oldies 1120"
1140	WMMG	Brandenburg, KY	was Cumulus Today's Best Country, now Westwood One Mainstream Country, old slogan: "Today's Best Country 93.5/1140 AM", new: "Your Hometown Radio Station 93.5/1140 AM"
1150	KXET	Portland, OR	was ethnic, now regional Mexican, old slogan: "Portland Christian Radio", new: "La Gran D"
1240	KRAL	Rawlins, WY	now silent
1250	WRCW	Warrenton, VA	old slogan: "Intelligent Talk", new: "The Answer"
1260	WWRC	Washington, DC	old slogan: "Intelligent Talk", new: "The Answer"
1280	WJYE	Gardiner, ME	was adult standards, now classic country, adds slogan: "Country Memories 1280"
1320	WLOH	Lancaster, OH	was talk, now country
1340	WLSG	Wilmington, NC	was southern gospel, now oldies, old slogan: "Homecoming Gospel", new "94.1 The Beach"
1350	KTLQ	Tahlequah, OK	old slogan: "Classic Country KTLQ 1350", new: "Billy Country 96.3 and 1350"
1350	WNVA	Norton, VA	was silent, back on with new unknown format
1350	WZGM	Black Mountain, NC	old slogan: "Independent Asheville Radio 1350", new: "Talk Radio 1350"
1400	KWYN	Wynne, AR	was country, now classic country, old slogan: "K-Wynne Country", new: "K-Wynne Classic Country"
1400	WCHZ	Augusta, GA	now silent
1400	WHGB	Harrisburg, PA	old slogan: "Sports Radio 95.3/1400", new: "Sports Radio 96.5"
1410	WLAQ	Rome, GA	was Yahoo Sports Radio, now CBS Sports Radio
1420	WHAN	Ashland, VA	was talk, now variety
1450	KFSD	Escondido, CA	was business news, now country, old slogan: "1450 Financial San Diego", new: "Kow Country AM 1450"
1470	WBKV	West Bend, WI	was news/talk, now classic hits, old slogan: "News Talk 1470 West Bend WBKV", new: "Kool Variety 1470"
1500	KBRN	Boerne, TX	was Spanish news-talk, now new unknown format
1510	KSPA	Ontario, CA	was business news, now country, old slogan: "Financial News and Talk 1510", new: "1510 The Kicker"
1520	KGDD	Oregon City, OR	was regional Mexican, now ethnic, old slogan: "La Gran D", new: "Portland Christian Radio"
1530	KCHK	New Prague, MN	old slogan: "Classic Music KCHK/KRDS", new: "Classic Music KCHK"
1530	KKHI	Colorado Springs, CO	old slogan: "94.7 Oldies", new: "Oldies 1530"
1550	KLK	Mexia, TX	old slogan: "101.3 Party", new: "Mix 101.3"
1590	KLIV	San Jose, CA	adds oldies as secondary format
1590	KMIC	Houston, TX	was silent, now Spanish contemporary Christian, adds slogan: "Radio Aleluya"
1600	WPDC	Elizabethtown, PA	was silent, now Yahoo Sports Radio
1600	WXMY	Saltville, VA	now silent

MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Dennis Gibson of Santa Barbara CA sends along the following dated 2/3/15:

(Re: KUNX-1520) It will return after repairs are completed. I have no idea when. I am acquainted with the engineer but he doesn't like answering questions so I didn't ask. URL: https://licensing.fcc.gov/cdbs/CDBS_Attachment/getattachment.jsp?appn=101668210&qnum=5000©num=1&exhcnm=2

Mike Sanburn of Long Beach CA sends along the following from Dennis Gibson of Santa Barbara CA dated 2/5/15:

KFSD 1450 and KSPA 1510 have flipped over to country music with Country Cow slogans. I have Escondido verified years ago as KOWA country. Also 1510 used to be KSOM country in the 70s so this has come full circle.

Mike Sanburn of Long Beach CA sends along the following dated 2/6/15 re 1510 Ontario CA:

Caught top of hour ID, they are still KSPA and calling themselves the Kick Am 1510 which is a throwback because Astor used to own KIKF 94.3 in Orange County which we toured in 1997 with all the classic cars and antique radios. Apparently no simulcast of 1450 in Escondido even they are supposed to be The Country Cow now. Nice to hear music on AM now, ex financial news.

Stephen Ponder of Houston TX passes along the following dated 2/5/15:

KMIC-1590 in Houston is now back on the air. Their call is still KMIC, but their programming is Hispanic Gospel. They are part of the Aleluya Broadcasting Network (ABN) located in Pasadena Texas. Their website is <http://radioaleluya.org>.

Dave Gordon of San Jose CA passes along the following dated 2/10/15:

KLIV 1590 AM in San Jose is playing oldies! I just heard an announcement that KLIV is reviving the old KLIV after midnight. KLIV used to be Top 40 in the 60s and 70s.

Great turnout of contributions this time, awesome!! Well, it's Valentine's Day, hope everyone is taking their sweetheart out to dinner today and giving a box of chocolates! Hopefully DX is also sweet for you. We are in the middle of February and it is cold here in Maryland! But hope your DX is hot! Please report your latest broadcast changes right here. 73's. **Bob Wien**



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WDXR DEADLINES: Feb 20, March 6, March 20, April 3, April 17, May 1, May 15, May 29, June 12 and June 26. Please use Eastern Time.

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GE Superadio 2

- 580 KUBC **CO**, Montrose 2/13 mixed with KMJ. 0059 with local spots, "KUBC 580 Montrose. The Voice of the Valley." (JCJ-AZ)
- 600 KSJB **ND**, Jamestown 2/9 mixed or over KCOL. 0042 with "Classic Country 600 KSJB" out of music into weather, 0107 legal ID "AM 600 is KSJB Jamestown, North Dakota, USA." (JCJ-AZ)
- 620 KIGS **CA**, Hanford 2/7 0359 finally got ToH call for this one! Punjabi format, have had many near misses over the past few months as far as hearing call letters even though the format makes it easy to identify. 418 miles. (BR-AZ)
- 720 WGN **IL**, Chicago 2/7 0300 good enough on just the loop with KDWN nulled to record call right after ToH, re-log but uncommon to have a decent signal, 1417 miles. (BR-AZ)
- 890 KDXU **UT**, Saint George 2/9 2045 talk program "On the Mark," on "pornography." Excellent and steady signal. (RB-AZ)
- 920 KVEL **UT**, Vernal 2/7 2050 Hugh Hewitt to SRN news and local weather by man "on KVEL." Heard well at a time when there was no digital IBOC hash from KGME ACI. (RB-AZ)
- 960 KIXW **CA**, Apple Valley 2/6 1949 with "The High Desert's Talk 960." (BB-AZ)
- 980 KVLV **NV**, Fallon 2/6 2005 out of ABC news with KVLV Weather, spots, 2006 "ID "The one radio station for true country music, Hometown Radio KVLV." (JCJ-AZ)

- 1100 KWWN **NV**, Las Vegas 2/8 1959 caught ToH call after several Las Vegas business ads on broadband SDR recording with just loop, presumably still on day power, 191 miles. (BR-AZ)
- 1110 KFAB **NE**, Omaha 2/9 2320 spots for "Nebraska and Western Iowa." Solid and alone on channel, slight splashover from KFNB. (RB-AZ)
- 1140 KNAB **CO**, Burlington 2/9 weak 1929 with s/off. Gave complete information including ownership, ID. (JCJ-AZ)
- 1220 KLDC **CO**, Denver 2/6 1928 with "KLDC." (BB-AZ)
- 1230 KATO **AZ**, Stafford 2/12 0900 with "KATO 1230" then ABC news. (BB-AZ)
- KINO **AZ**, Winslow 2/8 1911 with "KINO in Winslow." (BB-AZ)
- KBOV **CA**, Bishop 2/8 with "KBOV Best oldies in the Valley." (BB-AZ) (Time? – NJ)
- KXO **CA**, El Centro 2/6 1923 with "KXO 1230." (BB-AZ)
- KEXO **CO**, Grand Junction 2/9 2100 with "KEXO Grand Junction." (BB-AZ)
- KKPC **CO**, Pueblo 2/7 2000 with "KKPC Colorado Public Radio." (BB-AZ)
- KYVA **NM**, Gallup 2/11 2000 with "KYVA" then oldies. (BB-AZ)
- 1240 KDGO **CO**, Durango 2/12 1931 with "You're listening to Newstalk KDGO 1240 Durango." (BB-AZ)
- 1270 KDJI **AZ**, Holbrook 2/10 with "You're listening to KVWM 970 Show Low and KDJI 1270 Holbrook." (BB-AZ) (Time? – NJ)
- 1280 KQLL **NV**, Henderson 2/6 0159 just barely got ToH under KNZS, "K-Q-L-L, Henderson-Las Vegas," nominally 28 watts of nighttime power and would presumably be far easier to catch on 5000 watt day power near sunset, "cool oldies" format, 190 miles. (BR-AZ)
- +2/10 strong over KFNS. Must have been on day power instead of 28 watts. 0040 with oldies, numerous "Kool 102" slogans. 0100 with "Kool 102 is Kool 102.3 FM and 1280 AM. KQLL Henderson, Las Vegas" into Fox News. (JCJ-AZ)
- 1310 KFKA **CO**, Greeley 2/9 2335 "On 13-ten, KFKA," up out of the rumble. (RB-AZ)
- KLIX **ID**, Twin Falls 2/10 1959 "This is Newsradio 13-10 K-L-I-X, Twin Falls, Idaho, U-S-A," over another station at ToH on broadband SDR recording, 563 miles. (BR-AZ)
- 1340 KTPI **CA**, Mojave 2/13 0820 with several ads then at 0822 "Magic 1340." (BB-AZ)
- KTMM **CO**, Grand Junction 2/13 0900 with "KTMM." (BB-AZ)
- 1390 KLTX **CA**, Long Beach 2/10 1959 legal ID at ToH after long Spanish identification for "Radio Nueva Vida," from broadband SDR recording, 329 miles. (BR-AZ)
- KGNU **CO**, Denver 2/12 mixed with KLGK, 1859 with "KGNU" call letters. Lost to KLGK. (JCJ-AZ)
- KGLN **UT**, Logan 2/12 mixed with KGNU 1903 with "The New Lite FM is KGLN Logan 103.3 FM and 1390 AM" into CBS News. (JCJ-AZ)
- 1400 KSLL **UT**, Provo 2/8 0401 oozed up through the graveyard fog just in time to catch "K-Star" and "K-S-L-L" call with KTUC nulled out to the southeast, 398 miles. (BR-AZ)
- 1490 KZZZ **AZ**, Bullhead City 2/12 mixed in jumble, 1905 surfaced with news, "1230 K-triple-A and 1490 K-triple-Z." (JCJ-AZ)
- 1500 KSTP **MN**, St. Paul 2/6 0630 local spots, "Tamarack Village, Minnetonka, Woodbury." Good and only station on channel during this listening session. (RB-AZ)
- 1510 KSPN **CA**, Piedmont 2/8 2200 good with light Asian tunes and legal ID "This is KSFN Piedmont-San Francisco." Some KSPA QRM, little or none from KGA. (MS-CA)
- KCKK **CO**, Littleton 2/9 0235 fading up through KSPA & KSFN with "93.7 The Rock" ID's and music. (MS-CA)
- KGA **WA**, Spokane 2/4 1047 good post sunrise signal with numerous ID's "Sportsradio 1510 KGA." No longer an easy catch at nighttime. (MS-CA)
- 1520 KMPG **CA**, Hollister 2/10 2000 needed USB mode to just make out ToH call letters at the limits of audibility after Spanish-language song, but was hearing station a little better before ToH. From broadband SDR recording, daytimer (plus critical hours), 526 miles. (BR-AZ)
- KKXA **WA**, Snohomish 2/10 0400 new format, logged with KUNX off the air. Classic country tunes (Merle, Waylon, etc), numerous KXA slogans. Deep fading. (MS-CA)
- 1550 KXEX **CA**, Fresno 2/9 0700 came up for top of hour ID "KXEX, Fresno" in English. Spanish programming. (MS-CA)
- 1580 KREL **CO**, Colorado Springs 2/9 2355 "AM 15-80 KREL... Fox Sports." Heard on loop null of local KMIK, using SW 2000629. (RB-AZ)
- 1590 KLIV **CA**, San Jose 2/10 0355 playing oldies! I had heard an announcement that KLIV was reviving the old KLIV format after midnight. KLIV used to be Top 40 in the 60's and 70's. (DG-CA)

The last weekly WDXR deadline is Friday February 20! – Nancy 2/13 2100



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 Kenwood R-5000, Quantum QX Pro loop

DOWN THE DIAL

- 980 WRNE **FL**, Gulf Breeze. 2/8 fair signal over KSGM, WYFN. 0259 noted with Urban AC format, "AM Nine-80 WRNE Gulf Breeze" legal ID. [EB-MO]
- 1030 WBZ **MA**, Boston. 2/8 good over WQSE. 0320 with local spots, morning show promo, "WBZ news radio 10-30" ID into local talk program. [EB-MO]
- 1040 WPBS **GA**, Conyers. 2/7 good signal over WHO. 1740 noted with Hot AC format in English, local spots in Korean. [EB-MO]
- 1050 WFSC **NC**, Franklin. 2/7 fair to poor signal, mixing with WNES, WZD and other stations. 1812 noted with "10-50 WFSC" ID and Oldies format. [EB-MO]
- 1060 WKNG **GA**, Tallapoosa. 2/7 good to fair signal over WQMV, WMCL. 1813 noted with "King Country, AM 10-60 WKNG" ID, mention of upcoming shows, EST time check, promo and local spots. [EB-MO]
- 1230 KWTX **TX**, Waco. 2/5 2259 - Fair but readable with "...KWTX... Waco... an iHeart radio station" heard in legal ID. Logged this on the 23rd anniversary of the last time that I heard it, which was from Iowa City. [RD-NE]
- 1250 KCFI **IA**, Cedar Falls. 2/11 fair to poor signal, mixing with WSSP and KYYS. 0520 noted with "The Real Oldies Channel" slogan, "KCFI" jingle into Oldies format. [EB-MO]
- 1340 KXEO **MO**, Mexico. 2/7 fair signal in WSOY null. 1622 noted with Adult Contemporary format, "13-40 KXEO" ID, weather forecast, "24-Hour Weather Station" slogan. [EB-MO]
- 1350 KRAP **MO**, Washington. 2/7 fair to poor signal in WJBD null. 1630 noted with sports talk, "CBS Sports Radio" mention, "KRAP" ID in promo. [EB-MO]
- 1360 WTAQ **WI**, Green Bay. 2/7 good to poor signal, mixing with KBKB, WNAH. 1700 noted with "News, talk, sports, WTAQ Green Bay, WTAQ-FM Glenmore" legal ID into Fox News Radio. [EB-MO]
- 1370 WCOA **FL**, Pensacola. 2/8 fair to poor, mixing with WLTH, KWRT, WLLM and WDEF. 0135 with "News, talk WCOA" ID into "Red Eye Radio". [EB-MO]
- 1410 WHLN **KY**, Harlan. 2/11 fair to poor signal, mixing with WING. 0548 noted with Adult Contemporary format, "We're 14-10 WHLN, playing the best of the '80s, '90s and now" ID. [EB-MO]
- 1470 KYYW **TX**, Abilene. 2/5 1856 - Good and alone on the channel with "Join us on Twitter... 1470 KYYW" heard in liner. [EB-MO]
- 1590 WCGO **IL**, Evanston. 2/7 fair, mixing with WAIK, WQCH and KYNG. 1708 noted with talk and mention of Chicago in a Middle Eastern language. [EB-MO]
- WPVL **WI**, Platteville. 2/6 1759 – Fair signal under WAIK with "...AM 1590, WPVL, Platteville" heard in legal ID. 50th logging from Wisconsin at this location. [RD-NE]
- WQCH **GA**, La Fayette. 2/7 fair signal, mixing with other stations. 1749 noted with Country format, "Q Country WQCH" ID before sign-off. Georgia AM #65 from Hazelwood. [EB-MO]
- WNTS **IN**, Beech Grove. 2/7 1735-1737 - Fair to good under KVGB with stopset of 4 ads in Spanish, all of which mentioned Indianapolis, and one of which was for a local florist. Had been after this one for a while. [RD-NE]
- 1670 WOZN **WI**, Madison. 2/7 fair, mixing with WAIK, WQCH and KYNG. 1708 noted with talk and mention of Chicago in a Middle Eastern language. [EB-MO]
- 1680 WPRR **MI**, Ava. 2/7 good to fair signal, way over KRJO. 1638 noted with "The Ralph Nader Radio Hour" and Pacifica Network ID. [EB-MO]
- 1690 WVON **IL**, Berwyn. 2/8 fair to poor signal, mixing with WMLB. 0208 noted with "WVON 1-6-9-0" mention in a talk program. [EB-MO]

25 YEARS AGO

25 years ago in the February 18 1989 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Ralph Sanserino** of Riverside CA rejoined the club ... **Father Jack Pejza** of Ojai CA discussed sunrise and sunset computer programs ... **Robert Wien** of San Jose CA mentioned CKST 1070 moved to 1200 and changed calls to CHMG ... **John Clemmer** of East Moline IL told about seeing the movie "Talk Radio" based loosely on KOA's Alan Berg.

OPEN MIKE

I have been using an Icom IC-R71A since 1985. It survived 30 years, but earlier this week the receiver died. I am now an owner of an Icom IC-R75 which I have discovered to be a superior receiver over the R71A. Hopefully this will allow me to add even more loggings here in Mesa. Since moving here I have been able to log some 225 stations. If the R75 lasts as long, I'll be 100. This column was typed 2-13-15. 73, John

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TUNING THE DIALS THIS ISSUE:

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Winradio G33DDC software-defined receiver, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ Imperium loop
(JJR-MI) **John J Rieger**, L'Anse MI
Grundig Satellit 750, stock antenna

ACROSS THE DIAL

- 620 WVMT **VT**, Burlington – 2/8 2049 noted with mention of "Mark Levin on News/Talk 620 WVMT", promo mentioning "...3 on News/Talk 620 WVMT." A fair signal was noted; rare at L'Anse. (JJR-MI)
- 640 CFMJ **ON**, Richmond Hill – 2/8 2047 noted with "Talk Radio AM 640 Toronto" ID. An unusually good and loud signal! (JJR-MI)
- 690 CBKF1 **SK**, Gravelbourg – 2/9 0757 noted with talk program anchored by male and female hosts in French, "Ici Radio Canada" ID. A fair and loud signal was noted with no sign of CKGM. (JJR-MI)
- 800 CJAD **QC**, Montreal – 2/9 0928 noted with mention of "on CJAD". A poor signal was noted in a hodge-podge of stuff this morning. (JJR-MI)
- 1060 KNLV **NE**, Ord – 2/9 0753 noted with call letters into an Oldies format. A poor signal was noted atop the channel. (JJR-MI)
- 1150 WJRD **AL**, Tuscaloosa – 2/6 1838 noted with Oldies format, "We play all your favorites; 1150 AM, 102.1 FM WJRD" ID by a male announcer. A spot for "Mel's Good-Time Café" by a male announcer was noted at 1851. The signal was noted mixing with CKOC, WDEL, WCRK and unidentified stations carrying Talk and Bluegrass formats. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your unidentified Bluegrass station could be WELC Welch WV; your unidentified talker could either be WGOW Chattanooga TN or WBAG Burlington/Graham NC – eb)
- 1150 WDEL **DE**, Wilmington – 2/6 1758 noted with "We're your choice... worldwide at WDEL-dot-com" mention by a male announcer, followed by "That's your WDEL Traffic Watch on the Nines" mention by another male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with CKOC, WJRD, WCRK and unidentified stations carrying Talk and Bluegrass formats. (KK-VA)
- 1150 WCRK **TN**, Morristown – 2/6 1744 noted with "WCRK 105 FM... WCRK AM" ID by a male announcer. At 1848, a male announcer mentioned: "When you hear the kiss on the radio Monday morning, be Caller Number Seven at 581-1150 to qualify to win the Great Silk Board Valentine's Day Getaway right here on WCRK." The signal was noted mixing with CKOC, WDEL, WJRD and unidentified stations carrying Talk and Bluegrass formats. (KK-VA)
- 1160 WOBM **NJ**, Oakland – 2/6 1756 noted with the Sean Hannity program, "News/Talk radio for the Jersey Shore, WOBM AM 1160 and 1310" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WYDU, WPIA, WVNJ and unidentified stations with Christian Talk, Christian Teaching and unknown music. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your unidentified Christian talker is WYLL Chicago IL; your Christian teaching station is WCRT Donelson TN. Your unidentified music station could either be WAIX Mechanicville NY or WKCM Hawesville KY – eb)
- 1160 WVNJ **NJ**, Oakland – 2/6 1800 noted with "Intelligent Talk Radio for New Jersey, New York and Connecticut; this is WVNJ Oakland and WVNJ-dot-com" legal ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WYDU, WPIE, WOBM, and unidentified stations carrying Christian Talk, Christian Teaching and unknown music. (KK-VA)
- 1160 WPIE **NY**, Trumansburg – 2/6 1832 noted with ESPN sports talk, "ESPN Ithaca" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WYDU, WVNJ, WOBM and unidentified stations carrying Christian Talk, Christian Teaching and unknown music. (KK-VA)
- 1160 WYDU **NC**, Red Springs – 2/6 1908 noted with an Urban Gospel format, "Serving nine counties in the southeast Carolinas, we're WYDU, a Beasley Broadcasting station 5,000 watts of the best in Gospel music coming from Your Powerhouse Station, WYDU Red Springs, North Carolina" legal ID by a female announcer. This is a new station in the logbook. The station was noted mixing with WOBM, WVNJ, WPIE and unidentified stations carrying Christian Talk, Christian Teaching and unidentified music. (KK-VA)
- 1170 WWTR **NJ**, Bridgewater (TENTATIVE) – 2/6 1731 noted with Indian/South Asian music; a partial ad for a Honda dealer in English, mentioning a number in Area Code 732, which corresponds to New Jersey. The ad, in addition to the Indian music, leads me to believing I'm hearing WWTR. The signal was noted mixing with WWVA, WDEK and unidentified stations with Talk, Bluegrass, Spanish and unidentified music formats. (KK-VA) (Yes, Kraig, you did hear WWTR; the Area Code in the latest NRC AM Radio Log checks out. – eb)
- 1170 WDEK **SC**, Lexington – 2/6 1817 noted with "Your home for Classic Hits, the Deck" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WWVA, WWTR, and unidentified stations carrying Talk, Bluegrass, Spanish and unidentified music. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your unidentified talker could very well be KFAQ Tulsa OK; they're still on 50 kW non-directional pattern at this time. Your unidentified Spanish station could be WCXN Claremont NC; your unidentified Bluegrass station could be WFPB Orleans MA, which carries a similar type of music. Folk. Someone must have forgotten to turn this off at sunset. Another possibility is KBOB Davenport IA, which is a Classic Country station. Possibilities for your unidentified music station could be either WCLN Clinton NC or WDFB Junction City KY – eb)
- 1180 WSKP **RI**, Hope Valley – 2/6 1755 noted with Oldies format, "Cool 1180" ID by a male announcer. At 1823, "...are on Cool Oldies... point five, 1180 WSKP" ID by a male announcer was noted. The signal was noted mixing with WHAM and unidentified stations carrying Talk and Spanish. This is a new station in the logbook. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your Spanish is definitely Cuba; they're jamming Radio Marti out of Marathon FL. Your other talk station could either be WLTT Carolina Beach NC, WFYL King of Prussia PA or WJNT Pearl MS – eb)
- 1190 WIXE **NC**, Monroe – 2/6 1919 noted with mention of "6 to 11 p.m. Monday through Friday, (the) John Tesh Radio Show on Wixie 1190 AM" ID. The signal was noted mixing with WCRW, WLIB and unidentified stations with Talk and Oldies formats. (KK-VA) (Kraig, your unidentified talk station is most likely WOWO Fort Wayne IN; your unidentified Oldies station could be WSDC Cobleskill NY – eb)
- 1260 WPNW **MI**, Zeeland – 2/9 0907 noted with mention of a studio phone number of 921-12xx, "96.5 and 1260 the Pledge" ID and Lake Shore mentions. A poor signal was noted; rarely noted at L'Anse. (JJR-MI)
- 1410 WRMN **IL**, Elgin – 2/9 0838 noted with many mentions of Kane County and Schaumburg; Golf Road and "Illinois students" also mentioned. No calls in 15 minutes. A poor signal was noted with one deep fade. I cannot remember the last time I heard this! This station is rarely noted at L'Anse. (JJR-MI)
- 1470 WBKV **WI**, West Bend – 2/8 1919 noted with "Fox On The Run" by The Sweet, "Stay" from Maurice Williams and The Zodiacs, "AM 1470 WBKV" ID into "Like a Rolling Stone" by Bob Dylan. This station has tossed Classic Country in favor of Oldies. I wrote the station to confirm the format flip. A poor signal was noted with no sign of WMBD. (JJR-MI)
- 1570 WFRL **IL**, Freeport – 2/9 0909 noted with mention of "on our sister, Kickin' Country K-92", "WFRL" jingle into an Oldies format. A poor signal was noted. (JJR-MI)

EDITOR'S NOTES

I am writing this column as the snow flies; one long-gone St. Louis DXer noted that "the best time to DX is when it snows." Thanks to Kraig and John for their reports this week. 73 and good DX from NØUIH

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TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 567 **UnID.** Traces of audio at 1428 2/13, almost certainly Japan. (NP-AB)
594 **JAPAN**, JOAK, Tokyo, NHK1. Interval music reaching fair peaks around 1448 2/11 <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/2o1obusc7cuzoe/594-JOAK-1448z021115CCSW.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+Interval music at brief fair level at 1458 2/12 <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/czk96c93vt8bgsx/594-JOAK-1458z021215CCSW.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+Traces of woman in Japanese at 1428 2/13. (NP-AB)
+Female Japanese speech at a fair to good level around 1458 2/14 <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/12q64xk3w9dka45/594-JOAK-1458z021415CCSW.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+Male Japanese speech at a fair level around 1457 2/15; best Asian signal of a mediocre morning <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/y7ajjn471715bi/594-JOAK-1457z021515CCSW.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
603 **REP KOREA**, HLSA, Seoul, KBS2. Korean pop music with speech from Chinese-co channel, followed by KBS2 deep-voiced male at good strength around 1507 2/13; best signals of the new year <http://www.mediafire.com/listen/c4dl6pv7pc54orr/603-HLSA-mix-1507z021315CCSW.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+Long-set Korean pop music with good peaks around 1442 2/14 (hosted by KBS2's deep-voiced male)
<http://www.mediafire.com/listen/66th9t16l6jb2bq/603-HLSA-1442z021415CCSW.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
693 **JAPAN**, JOAB, Tokyo, NHK2. Traces of audio at 1429 2/11. (NP-AB)
+Traces of audio at 1428 2/13. (NP-AB)
+Very faint pips 1500 2/15. (bp-WA)
747 **UnID.** Faint mumbling 1411 2/9. (bp-WA)
774 **JAPAN**, JOUB, Akita, NHK2. Woman in presumed Japanese 1453 2/10. (bp-WA)
+Weak talk 1429 2/11. (bp-WA)
+Japanese woman 1454 2/14. (bp-WA)
774 **UnID.** Feeble murmurings 1403 2/9. (bp-WA)
972 **REP KOREA**, HLCA, Dangjin, KBS. 1500 2/9 pips and Korean male. (bp-WA)
+Maybe perhaps some very faint talk 1451 2/10. (bp-WA)
+Pips and faint talk 1500 2/11. (bp-WA)
+Poor, with man in Korean at 1427 2/13. (NP-AB)
+Pips and traces of talk 1500 2/14. (bp-WA)
+Bits of music in the splatter 1341 2/15. (bp-WA)
981 **UnID.** Weak talk, sounded Chinese 1454 2/11. (bp-WA)
+Traces of talk 1439 2/15. (bp-WA)
1242 **UnID.** Woman talking 1505 2/10, then man. (bp-WA)
1377 **CHINA**, CNR. Chinese talk and CNR pips 1500 2/14. (bp-WA)
1386 **JAPAN**, NHK2. Time pips and weak talk 1500 2/10. (bp-WA)
1404 **UnID.** Man and woman in Japanese 1508-11 2/10. (bp-WA)
+Talk 1505 2/14, too much noise and splatter to determine language. (bp-WA)
1422 **JAPAN**, JORF, Yokohama, RF Radio Nippon. Poor, with man in Japanese at 1426 2/10. (NP-AB)
+Energetic woman 1509 2/10. (bp-WA)
1422 **UnID.** Bits of talk in the splash 1507 2/11. (bp-WA)
+Woman in Chinese 1430 2/14. (bp-WA)
1503 **UnID.** Woman 1443 2/14, not sure about language. (bp-WA)
1557 **TAIWAN**, Kouhu, 1557 Music Interactive Network. Choral music 1459 2/14, woman in Chinese at ToH, then pop song. (bp-WA)
1557 **UnID.** Bits of music in the splatter 1511 2/10. (bp-WA)
1566 **REP KOREA**, HLAZ, Jeju, FEBC. Poor-fair, from 1428 2/10 to 1445 fade out. (NP-AB)
+Chinese woman 1511 2/10. (bp-WA)
+Poor, (but at least it was at audio level) from 1425-1440 2/11. (NP-AB)
+Fair at 1420 2/13 tune-in, and at a solid good level by 1432, perhaps its best level of 2015. (NP-AB)
+1505 2/14 Chinese announcements, fadey but good on peaks. (bp-WA)
1575 **THAILAND**, Ban Phachi, VOA. Fair at 1427 2/10, gone by 1440. (NP-AB)
+Already at audio at 1420 2/11 tune-in, generally fair to 1440, but approaching good for short spells. (NP-AB)
+Female voice Asiatic language news with good peaks at 1503 2/11; its best signal of the new year so far
<http://www.mediafire.com/listen/p6d6n7b6y99huvh/1575-VOA-1503z021115CCSW.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+Woman talking 1505 2/11, the least bad signal of the morning. (bp-WA)
+Fair level at 1420 2/13, but faded out early around 1430. (NP-AB)
+1430 2/14 English ID, then woman in Burmese. (bp-WA)
+Choir singing 1340 2/15, not much of anything after that. (bp-WA)
1575 **UnID.** Traces of talk 1505 2/10. (bp-WA)
+Faint talk 1357 2/15. (bp-WA)
1593 **CHINA**, Changzhou, CNR1. Presumed the one with Chinese-sounding male speech briefly over Seattle splatter at 1442 2/12
<http://www.mediafire.com/listen/dh35i9b8mab45li/1593-UnID-TP-1442z021215CCSW.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
+Chinese female speech temporarily over Seattle splatter at fair to good level around 1511 2/13
<http://www.mediafire.com/listen/eeuhaot7y9p0b77/1593-CNR1-1512z021315CCSW.MP3>. (GDB-WA)
1593 **JAPAN**, NHK2. Poor to fair with woman in Japanese at 1428 2/13. (NP-AB)
1593 **UnID.** Occasional syllables floating through the 1590 splash, sounded Chinese 1509 2/10. (bp-WA)
+Traces of audio, too weak to determine language 2/10. (NP-AB)
1602 **UnID.** Bits of talk 1512 2/10. (bp-WA)

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- bp-WA **BRUCE PORTZER**, Seattle WA
Winradio Excalibur, K9AY antenna0
GDB-WA **GARY DeBOCK**, Puyallup WA
7.5" loopstick CCrane Skywave Ultralight, 15" FSL antenna
NP-AB **NIGEL PIMPLETT**, Dunmore AB
Perseus with a Wellbrook Array

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PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 650 **MÉXICO** XETNT, Los Mochis, Sin. FEB 12 1300 – noticiario 'Altavoz' opening, mentions Grupo Chávez, Sinaloa, so XETNT Los Mochis, a regular here on sunrise skip; dominant signal now. Our Enid sunrise today: 1323. [Hauser-OK]
660 **MÉXICO** XEACB, Ciudad Delicias, Chih. FEB 12 1302 – DJ mentions "La Lupe 98.9" at least thrice, with phone numbers, presumably for requests, ie XEACB, another AM demoted to a mere FM simulcast. [Hauser-OK]

- 680 **MÉXICO** XEORO, Guasave, Sin. FEB 12 1304 – birthday greeting to several people, looping WSW, but no locations mentioned or caught, except “allá en San Pedro” which is an ejido/ranchito in Guasave; 1308 a Sinaloa PSA, so XEORO in Guasave. Tuning on up, no doubt the usual ones on 700, 710, 730 also in. [Hauser-OK]
- 900 **MÉXICO** XEDT, Ciudad Cuauhtémoc, Chih. FEB 9 1313 – Spanish music, then DJ greets “la comunidad de Mojita” [? no such place found in Tejas or México], then tear-jerker country music in English! Loops NE/SW. Time check for 6:15 so UT -7, temp in F and C, somewhat Spanglish, and mentions “Radio Caballo” (Radio Horse??) 1316 ad for a sorteo; then INE and other federal PSAs, so it’s definitely Mexican, and another from the Instituto Electoral de Chihuahua about urnas electorales, so that clinches it as XEDT in Ciudad Cuauhtémoc. DJ resumes “música cowboy” with “Cotton Fields”. Yet this is deep in the heart of Chihuahua, not on the border. Have heard XEDT several times before, not with this format, so maybe a recent change, and maybe not full-time. Cantú has XEDT as 5/1.5 kW, “Hits FM” /98.3. [Hauser-OK]
- 1570 **MÉXICO** XERF, Ciudad Acuña, Coah. FEB 8 0645 – noted with telephone talk, local ads and Norteña music in Spanish. Good signal over WBGZ; lost at 0706. [Bueneman-MO]
+FEB 11 1033 – noted with “XERF” ID in promo, local ads, telephone talk and Norteña music in Spanish. Good signal through WBGZ. [Bueneman-MO]

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- 3290 **GUYANA** Voice of Guyana. FEB 14 0617 – Voice of Guyana, talk in English in BBCWS relay, seems same as on 9460 Ascension, but a few words out of synch. Very poor signal as we wonder if still running 1 kW. Presumably Jamie is waiting for replacement parts to arrive, and he may have gone home to NY in the meantime. [Hauser-OK]
+Feb 15 0659 – BBCWS IDs, timesignal one second slow past 0700, billboard ‘Weekend’ show to follow the news. Does Voice of Guyana not insert any local top-of-hour IDs during the BBC overnight relay? Usual poor signal but enough to copy the above; I had just found BBCWS itself missing from 9460. [Hauser-OK]
- 4765 **CUBA** Radio Progreso. FEB 14 0308 - Radio Progreso quite undermodulated and hummy, also suffering from CODAR QRM. This once adequate transmitter is ailing. Meanwhile we’re still waiting for Arnie’s 3365 to activate with RHC. Has he said anything about that lately on DXUL? [Hauser-OK]

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FRG-7 with 100 foot E-W longwire (always in the mornings, sometimes evenings), DX-398 with 10-meter N-S random wire (in the evenings) or PL-880 with short reel-out clip-on (in the evenings)

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KXFN 1380 dropped its Extreme Talk format at the beginning of February for an Adult Album Alternative format (AAA), now calling itself “1380 The X, Extreme Radio”. I listened for about 20 minutes beginning at 1810 ELT on February 9; it turned off the transmitter without making a sign-off announcement at 1830. This is the fourth format the station has tried in the last two years, after unsuccessful forays into Sports, Female-oriented Talk and Extreme Talk. I don’t know how long the AAA format will last, especially on a 5,000-watt daytimer. One of the most unique calls I’ve logged in the past several weeks is, believe it or not, KRAP! This is on 1350 in Washington MO (500 watts day, 84 watts night DA-1). The calls, according to owner Brad Hildebrand (yes, the former St Louis traffic reporter), describe the quality of the signal. I noted Sports KRAP at 1630 ELT on February 7 (a 71-degree day in St Louis) with the usual CBS Sports Radio fare and an ID in promo. Regular WJBD was nulled; KRAP had a fair to poor signal. Perhaps the biggest surprise I’ve had this month is WCBM 680 out of Baltimore. This was noted at 0401 ELT with Fox News Radio (the NRC AM Radio Log lists this as the only Fox affiliate on 680), network spots, quick call letters into “Coast to Coast AM with George Noory”. This must have been on 50,000 watts day power/pattern due to the snowstorm that pummeled the East Coast. WCBM is my ninth Maryland. Another regular from my days in Georgia made it into the logbook on that warm day of February 7, when WQCH 1590 La Fayette GA made it through at 1749 ELT with Country music, ID and sign-off, making it my 65th AM station from the Empire State of the South. I pulled in my 110th AM station from my home state on January 29 when I pulled in KNIM 1580 Maryville MO with a Country format local ad and “Pickup Country 95-9 and 1580” ID at 0924 ELT. As of February 11 2015, 1,583 stations have made it into the logbook. 73.

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Greetings. The 2015 IRCA Convention-West will be held September 10-12 at the Best Western Plus Avita Suites in Torrance CA. Registration info including phone number for reservations now appears in the SDXM and on the IRCA website. The hotel can be viewed at www.avitasuitestorrance.com. Attendees are encouraged to share a room and save. The hotel has many amenities and is right across the street from The Torrance South Bay Marriott where the ARRL Southwest Division Convention will be happening concurrently. Saturday will be mostly an open day on the schedule so folks can take that event in if they choose ARRL. Registration info can be found at www.hamconinc.org. This includes prepay for the Saturday night banquet. The IRCA banquet will be held on Friday night prior to auction. IRCA registration fee (not including banquet) is \$30 payable to Mike Sanburn, PO Box 1256, Bellflower CA 90707-1256. More details will be available as they become available. Also, remember that this year we are doing something a bit different. IRCA Convention-East will be part of the multi club convention hosted by Scott Fybush this July 10-12 in Fort Wayne IN. (Home of legendary WOWO 1190). Details for this fine event will be posted in this bulletin as well. It is my hope that members will attend one or more of these events. As for the ARRL ham radio convention, you do not have to be a licensed amateur to participate. On the form where it asks for call sign just type SWL or AM DXer. (They have an electronics swap meet in the grand ball room that is to die for). Plenty to do this summer, but for now, we still have some of this DX season left so hit those dials. 73 ms



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Here’s the schedule for the **February 2015 DX Audio Service** – Issue #361! Available at <http://e-dxn.com/news/index.php>.

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Mark Durenberger has a look at an initiative which could have changed the whole dynamic of the AM band, by going from 10 kHz spacing to 9 kHz.

Fred Vobbe reads an editorial piece on what John B. Wells was fired from the Coast to Coast AM radio show.

2015 Joint Convention: Scott Fybush explains some of what to expect this year.

WAKV-AM Hacked: Fred Vobbe brings us an article from Radio Ink magazine about a station who was hacked and extorted to get all their computer files back. It put the station off the air.

DX Audio Service blast from the past.

Marketscope: CKLW with Charlie VanDyke from a reunion weekend & CFUN "Sunday Night Graffiti" with Zack Casey.

Musings from Members

Vinyl's Difficult Comeback: Wally Wawro tells us about record factories, and whether they will ever come back.

Art Bell to Return: Fred Vobbe sent us an e-mail about his comeback to radio, sort of. He will be on Dark Matter Radio, which has a stream presence. More later!

College Sport Fades Away: Chris Gay has an article from the New York Times talking about how radio rules sports, and how a station can make a difference in how the college is covered.

2014 FCC Station Totals: From the FCC: the number of stations on the air.

Rewriting the TelCom Act: Fred Vobbe reads an article from Tom Taylor's Radio Now Magazine about how the republicans may rewrite the FCC rules on consolidation. Fred also tells us that we probably should complain to our congressman, and not to each other or whine on Musings to the Members to get results.

Phil Wayne tells us Entercom Radio has purchased the 15 stations of Lincoln Financial.

Rediscovering The Joy: Mark Durenberger reads an article from The Buffalo News about the hobby of listening to radio.

Larry Cotler out at The Champ: Phil Wayne lets us know that KBBG is axing programming, and Larry Cotler is one of the casualties.

WLEN-FM Honored: Fred Vobbe tells us about WLEN's remarkable award which will be given at the NAB convention.

Ed Goodman Passes Away: Chris Gay tells us about St Louis radio announcer Ed Goodman, who has passed from cancer.

Sirius/XM Deal Setback: Phil Wayne tells us about the ongoing music copyright suit which has been in progress for several years. This law suit may cost XM some big bucks. April 3rd is the deadline.

Analog v Digital Summing: Chris Gay gives us a highly technical article for those of us who record or restore music on both analog and digital. Which method is best; summing a mono signal in analog or digital.

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