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This time, IRCA welcomes Chester Jaffee in Berkeley CA (rejoins). Next time, Gary DeBock's Hawaii DX report. Seattle deadline, every Monday 6 PM PLT.

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Mike Stonebridge

1/24. Got some sad news today. Mike Stonebridge, a long time IRCA member, passed away in hospital in Peace River, Alberta on 21 January 2018. He had DXed for many years from his place in Peace River until age and illness caught up with him. Those who attended past IRCA conventions in the west will likely remember him. (Nick Hall-Patch via IRCA eGroup)

2018 IRCA Convention

The dates of the 2018 IRCA Convention will be Friday September 7 and Saturday September 8 2018 at the Best Western Plus Charles Inn in St Charles MO. The registration fee is \$25.00 per person. Radio tours and the Saturday banquet site are TBA at this point. Ken Hawkins (stlouisherdfan@gmail.com). (More details as they become available. Set these dates now if you plan to attend - pb)

Bruce Portzer's Annual GetTogether

I'll be holding my annual DX get together on Saturday February 17 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. See you there! Bruce



WHIT

KKAA

1560

Madison, WI

Aberdeen, SD

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CALL CHANGES

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY OF LICENSE	NEW CALL
1080	WHIM	Coral Gables, FL	WKAT
1200	WJUU	Pine Island Center, FL	WAZA
1350	KBPL	Pueblo, CO	KDZA (was KCCY before KBPL-ye ed)
1600	WKYI	Eminence, KY	WBKI

FORMAT, SLOGAN AND SILENT STATUS CHANGES FREQ CALL **CITY OF LICENSE NEW INFORMATION** 580 **KTMT** Ashland, OR old slogan: "ESPN 580 AM/96.1 FM", new: "ESPN 580 AM - 96.1 FM" 840 WRYM New Britain, CT was tropical, now ethnic, old slogan: "La Gigante", new: "Viva! Radio" **KVMX** Olivehurst, CA was Spanish hits, now regional Mexican, old slogan: "Vive 92.1", new: "La Ranchera 890 AM and 104.7 FM" 890 **WSRP** Jacksonville, NC 910 now silent old slogan: "Real Country 1260-1420", new: "Real Country Hudson Valley WGHQ 920 Kingston, NY 970 WMAY Springfield, IL old slogan: "970 Talk Of Springfield", new: "News-Talk 94.7 And 970 WMAY" 980 WKLY Hartwell, GA old slogan: "WKLY 980 AM", new: "Lake Hartwell's Radio Home" 1050 **WMSG** Oakland, MD old slogan: "1100 KFNX", new: "Independent Talk 1100 KFNX" 1100 **KFNX** Cave Creek, AZ old slogan: "NewsTalk 1110/100.1 KBND", new: "NewsTalk 1110-100.1 KBND" 1110 **KBND** Bend, OR old slogan: "Rumbera", new: "Maxima 97.3 95.7" WAXA Pine Island Center, FL 1200 Redding, CA 1230 KI XR now silent (see article below-ye ed) was contemporary Christian, now ethnic old slogan: "Real Country 1260-1420", new: "Real Country Hudson Valley" old slogan: "The New WHEO", new: "WHEO Radio 1270" 1240 **KEWE** Kahului, HI Beacon, NY 1260 WBNR 1270 WHEO Stuart, VA 1300 **KROP** Brawley, CA 1310 WTZN Troy, PA old slogan: "Golden Oldies 1310/1550", new: "Golden Oldies 1310-1550" WSLW White Sulphur Spring, WV was Fox Sports Radio, now talk, old slogan: "Red Zone 1310", new: "Valley's Choice" Havre De Grace, MD 1330 WHGM was 80's hits, now adult hits Graham, TX was news/talk, now classic country, old slogan: "News Talk 1330", new: "Lake County's Home For Classic **KSWA** 1370 **KGEN** Sanger, CA old slogan: "La Gordita Mexicana", new: "La Ley 94.5 FM And 1370 AM" Redfield, SD 1380 KQKD was silent, now variety 1400 **WRON** Ronceverte, WV now silent 1420 **WLNA** Peekskill, NY old slogan: "Real Country 1260-1420", new: "Real Country Hudson Valley" 1430 KROO Breckenridge, TX was news/talk, now country 1450 **WMVA** Martinsville, VA was CBS Sports Radio, now talk WHAL Phenix City-Columbus, AL was classic country, now adult contemporary, old slogan: "South 94.7 The Legend", new: "Sunny 94.7" 1460 WNPL Golden Gate, FL old slogan: "Rumbera", new: "Maxima 97.3 95.7" 1490 **WTKE** now silent Milton, FL **KRTN** Raton, NM was Westwood One Adult Contemporary, now Westwood One Classic Country, old slogan: "Adult Hit Radio", new: "All The Best Country" WRRD Waukesha, WI old slogan: "News Talk 1510", new: "Resistance Radio 1510" 1510 KQQB 1520 Stockdale, TX was silent, now variety **WKXG** Greenwood, MS 1540 WTTC Towanda, PA old slogan: "Golden Oldies 1310/1550", new: "Golden Oldies 1310-1550" 1550

was silent, now farm, adds slogan: "AM Ag News 890"

old slogan: "Country Legends HANK AM 1550", new: "County Legends HANK AM 1550 And 97.7 FM"

1570 **KZWC** Webster City, IA old slogan: "The Kruise 1570 AM", new: "The Kruise 1570 And 92.9" WVTI Amsterdam, NY was Westwood One Adult Contemporary, now Westwood One Classic Country, old slogan: "Lite 104.7", new: "WVTL Classic Country Radio" was easy listening, now adult standards, old slogan: "KTAT-Easy Listening", new: "Timeless Classics" KTAT Frederick, OK old slogan: "Timeless Favorites", new: "The Q-Munity Station" 1600 WT70 Hendersonville, NC

MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Mike Sanburn of Bellflower CA sends along the following from Dennis Gibson of Salinas CA via Radioinsight.com and IRCA Digest dated 1/17/18:

https://radioinsight.com/headlines/122447/redding-joins-ranks-going-off-air/

Redding AM Joins Ranks Going Off The Air, By Lance Venta on January 16 2018

Michael Quinn took Adult Standards 1230 KLXR Redding CA off the air as the clock struck midnight on the New Year. The station had featured a local morning show hosted by Jim 'Jimbo' Albertson and Sue McLain and took pride in being one of the first stations nationally to start the trend of going All-Christmas annually starting when Quinn purchased the station in 1999. The 1kW Class C AM failed to apply for an FM translator in the 2017 filing period. In a farewell statement on Facebook Quinn wrote: "It is with deep regret that KLXR will be leaving the air Sunday night at midnight. After close to 20 years this day was never planned or expected. Our faithful listeners, loyal advertisers and the exceptional Morning Show team of Jimbo and Sue are going to be missed. We kept the good music and the Christmas music alive and it is sad that no one else sees the benefit in that. To everyone that got enjoyment out of this station we thank you for your support.

Mike Sanburn of Bellflower CA sends along the following from Todd Skaine (via IRCA Digest/Northpine.com) dated 1/23/18:

MINNESOTA: KFIL/1060 (Preston) has gone off the air due to transmitter problems. The station, a 1kW daytimer, tells the FCC that its transmitter failed on Dec. 2 and that replacement parts are on order. KFIL is owned by Townsquare Media and was last known to simulcast the "True Country" format of KFIL-FM/103.1 (Chatfield-Preston), occasionally breaking away for some syndicated talk shows. (1/2/2018)

Thanks, Mike for forwarding the 2 tips above (from Dennis and Todd). Super Bowl is only a week away, guess I'll root for the semi-local Eagles. DX hasn't been too bad here. Hope you throw a touchdown with your DX, please report all your tips to the respective column editors. Have a great end of January! 73's. Bob Wien



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WDXR DEADLINES: Feb 2, Feb 9, Feb 16, March 2, March 16, March 30, April 13. April 27 and May 11. Please use Eastern Local Time.

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

630 KIDD CA, Monterey 1/26 1445 appears to be back on the air with reduced power, with classical music. The ID announcement mentioned KIDD is also on 106.7 FM like KNRY. The next time I'm in the Monterey area I'll check to see which station is on 106.7. (DG-CA)

1240 KNRY CA, Monterey 1/23 back on the air 1401 with oldies format. The following day they mentioned they have an FM translator on 106.7. (DG-CA)

570 KNRS UT, Salt Lake City 1/22 2000 ID by man "5-70 KNRS Salt Lake City." Good at sunset. (RB-AZ)

CO, Denver heard 1/25 at 0801 with "KNUS" then weather report. (BB-AZ) 710 KNUS

NM, Tse Bonito 1/20 1830 religious music, lecture. Fair to good, steady. (RB-AZ) 880 KHAC

NV, Fallon heard 1/23 at 1931 with "KVLV Fallon, Nevada." (BB-AZ) 980 KVIV

1010 CBR AB, Calgary heard 1/25 at 0836 with weather report and at 0837 traffic report that said Highway #1 would be closed due to avalanche control. (BB-AZ)

1040 WHO IA, Des Moines 1/20 2020 break from Sean Hannity Show to good ID by man at 2021 "News Radio 10-40 W-H-O." Long string of spots, many local with more local references, as if I needed them. Very good, and best over reception on my car radio (GMC Sonoma dashboard set). (RB-AZ)

1140 KGEM ID, Boise 1/20 0435 talk show on issues in Roman Catholic church. Haven't heard this station in a while, now totally dominating the frequency. ID on the hour. Solid and very good on SW-2000629 and Terk loop. (RB-AZ)

NV, Las Vegas 1/20 1800 ID by slogan, a cupla hours before local Sunset. Fair and steady on SW-2000629, Terk loop. (RB-AZ)

KXST

UT, Washington 1/26 1000 good with KPRZ. ID said "Sports Radio KHKR St. George." Likely FM simulcast. (MS-CA) 1210 KHKR

KCSF CO, Colorado Springs heard 1/19 at 1941 with "Xtra Sports 1300." (BB-AZ) 1300

OR, Phoenix heard 1/19 at 2000 with a very weak "KAPL 1300." (BB-AZ) **KAPL**

CO, Fort Collins heard 1/20 at 0837 with "Kicks 1410." (BB-AZ) 1410 KIIX

NE, North Platte heard 1/21 at 0858 with ads for North Platte then at 090 "??? ESPN North Platte." (BB-AZ) KOOQ

KZNU UT, St. George 1/22 2045 break from Dennis Pranger to man, "KZNU St. George 93 point 1 FM and 14-50 AM." (RB-AZ) 1450

1480 KVNR CA, Santa Ana after 4 months of trying 0800 and 0900 every day I finally heard a call letter ID! 1/21 0900 clear "KVNR" ID by man, poor through nulled KHQN then signal grew stronger and covered KHQN. Vietnamese format. (NJ-AZ)

1560 KIQS CA, Willows 1/22 1115 with extreme narrow bandwidth to dodge local 1550 splash, KNZR was fairly clear and weak, Mexican music underneath. At this time of day it has to be Willows, one of my closest unheard stations at a little more than 100 miles. (AWP-CA)

1620 WPGG527 CA, Lakewood 1/23 1012 good with municipal information on power poles and senior center. Numerous WPGG527 and "KLWD" slogans.

1680 KGED CA, Fresno 1/21 0155 wrap up of "Town Hall Review" with Michael Medved clip to good ID and network news at 0200. Steady and strong on RF-2200 barefoot and tuned slightly off-band to top of dial. (RB-AZ)

UnIDS

1560 UnID 1/21 2100-45 while listening to KNZR, at about half strength was a half hour of continuous chanting in suspected East Indian language, then more usual Punjab-type singing after 2130. KZIZ, Pacific WA is a new log. No ID that I could understand, but format fits like a glove. (AWP-CA) (Beware, Art! This surely sounds like KGOW Bellaire TX and not KZIZ. We have been hearing KGOW with Vietnamese programming here most nights of late. - NJ)

1560 UnID 1/21 2125 brief upsurge of Spanish talk, tentatively KVAN. Too brief for any IDs. (AWP-CA)

Thank you to our WDXR reporters to the column this week. - Nancy 1/26 1900



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RIDING GAIN

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CountyComm GP-5/SSB Ultralight receiver, Grundig AN-200 tunable loop

DOWN THE DIAL

610 KCSP MO, Kansas City. 1/23 very good signal, almost taking out WAGG. 0421 noted with local spots, promo, "Six-Ten sports radio" ID, promo for Fox Sports 1 into Fox Sports Radio. [EB-MO]

1050 CHUM
1140 KPWB

ON, Toronto. 1/25 fair to poor signal over XEG. 0524 with ESPN Sports Center All Night, "TSN 10-50" ID, traffic report and local spots. [EB-MO]

MO, Piedmont. 1/25 fair to poor signal through WRVA. 0509 noted left on overnight with Country Nights, including Country music news and selections, local spots, including one mentioning a phone number in Area Code 573. [EB-MO]

1700 KBGG IA, Des Moines. 1/23 fair signal over KKLF. 0427 noted with local spots into Red Eye Radio. [EB-MO]

FLASHBACK

February 3 1968 issue of "DX Monitor" ... Rick Evans of Gary IN DXed while home from work sick ... Theo Donnelly of Vancouver BC commented on his visit with Rich Heald in Sitka AK ... John E Pearkins of Burnaby BC was stringing a loop in his attic ... Mike Northam of Beaverton OR received a verie from KINY for his 2nd Alaska ... CM "Stan" Stanbury II of Crystal Beach ON was in favor of any dues increase to keep IRCA in its position as the number 1 club. // January 30 1993 issue of "DX Monitor" ... Steve Mittman of Seal Beach CA corrected information about KGIL 1260 ... Mike Sanburn of Beliflower CA told about a radio history museum in Farmington, NM ... Larry Godwin of Missoula MT told about his conversation with Gary Jackson ... Steve Hawkins of Manteca CA logged .IOLIR

OPEN MIKE

Thanks to Eric Bueneman we have a column this week. This column was typed 1-26-18. 73, John



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TUNING THE DIALS THIS ISSUE:

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(PS-ON) Paul Snider, Welland ON, Canada paulisnider@yahoo.ca

Elad FDM-S2 software-defined receiver, Pixel RF Pro-1B loop, MFJ-1020C as a tuner

(PS-ON1) Paul Snider, listening in Sault Sainte Marie ON, Canada

CCrane Skywave SSB receiver

ACROSS THE DIAL

540 WAUK WI, Jackson – 1/17 0015 noted with a spot cluster including a PSA for A Place for Mom, ESPN promos, seven mentions of ESPN into ESPN SportsCenter All Night. A poor to very poor signal was noted. (PS-ON1)

CBK SK, Regina – 1/17 0023 noted with talk on the earthquakes on the Pacific coast of Canada and Vancouver, BC. A poor to very poor signal was noted; confirmed via Tune-In Web stream. (PS-ON1)

550 WKRC OH, Cincinnati – 1/16 2254 noted with Savage Nation, ad cluster and a "55 KRC" ID at 2258. A fair to poor signal was noted; alone on channel. (PS-ON1)

KMON MT, Great Falls – 1/19 0012 noted with a Country format, "Big Sky Country" ID at 0012, mention of previous songs played. A poor signal was noted; audible for a few minutes before fading to CFOS. (PS-ON1)
 WIBW KS, Topeka – 1/13 2225 noted with a "104.9... WIBW and WIBW News Now-dot-com" ID before fading out. A very poor signal in a jumble of talk stations, probably WHP and WCHS, along with CKWW with Oldies. (PS-ON) (104.9 refers to K285GL Topeka KS – eb)

610 KDAL

MN, Duluth – 1/17 2330 noted with promo for Winterfest in Duluth, mentions of "KDAL and KDAL 610-dot-com", into an ad cluster. A fair to very poor signal was noted, mixing with other stations. (PS-ON1)

640 WXSM TN, Blountville – 1/23 2310 noted with Ferrell on the Bench, ad cluster including Quicken Loans, Grainger, GEICO, eHarmony and Farmers Insurance, CBS Sports mention, CBS Sports Radio Sports Flash, "...on the Extreme Sports Monster, 640 WXSM" ID at 2336 into another ad cluster. A fair signal and audible at times to very poor signal was noted under CFMJ. (PS-ON)

710 KNUS CO, Denver – 1/17 2351 tuned in to note a "News/Talk 710 KNUS" ID before fading out. A very poor signal was noted, mixing with WOR. (PS-ON1)

730 CKDM MB, Dauphin – 1/20 0045 noted with Country music, "The Parkland's Best Music" mention at 0047 into an Oldie by Bob Seger. A poor to very poor signal was noted under CKAC and other stations. (PS-ON1)

810 WHB MO, Kansas City – 1/20 0057 noted with ESPN sports talk, ad mentioning a number in Area Code 913 (Kansas City, KS – eb), "Sports Radio 810 WHB Kansas City, the Power of Sport" legal ID at 0100. A fair at times to poor signal was noted, over and under WGY. (PS-ON1)

850 KOA CO, Denver – (no date and time) noted with the news, mention of a Winter Storm Watch, weather forecast, "KOA News Radio" ID into an ad cluster. A poor signal was noted under WKNR and WPTK. (PS-ON1)

920 WOKY WI, Milwaukee – 1/18 0028 noted with NBC Sports Radio mentions, "The Big 920" ID at 0029. A fair to poor signal was noted in a mix of stations. (PS-ON1)

CFRY MB, Portage la Prairie – 1/20 0125 noted with Country format, "It's Real Country Radio, CFRY" ID at 0128 into another music set. A fair to poor signal was noted, mixing with WOKY. (PS-ON1)

960 KMA IA, Shenandoah – 1/20 0137 noted with *The Jim Bohannon Show*, KMA promos, ad for Woodhouse-dot-com, "Thanks for listening to 960 KMA Shenandoah" legal ID at 0200. A fair to poor signal was noted, mixing with CFAC and other stations. (PS-ON1)

CFAC AB, Calgary – 1/20 0137 noted with Ferrell on the Bench, CBS Sports Radio mentions. No ID was heard; CFAC seems to be the only CBS Sports Radio affiliate playing Ferrell at this time. A very poor to non-existent signal was noted under KMA. (PS-ON1)

970 WDAY ND, Fargo – 1/18 0055 noted with The Jim Bohannon Show, "970 WDAY" ID at 0058, mention of their Facebook page, PSA for upcoming event mentioning WDAY-dot-com, "WDAY 970, 93.1 Fargo" quasi-legal ID at 0100 into ABC News. A fair at times to very poor signal was noted. (PS-ON1) (93.1 refers to K226CL Fargo ND – eb)

1030 WWGB MD, Indian Head – 1/20 2347 noted on after sunset with Christian music in Spanish, possible ID in Spanish at 2356, "WWGB Indian Head, Maryland" legal ID in English at 0003. A fair at times to very poor signal was noted, mixing with WBZ. (PS-ON1) (The ID in Spanish is "Poder Diez-Trointa", according to the NBC Log – eb)

Treinta", according to the NRC Log – eb)

1070 WGOS

NC, High Point – 1/19 1800 noted with a trumpet fanfare, "This is WGOS 1070 AM High Point/Greensboro" legal ID in English by a female announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WFLI, WINA, WKOK, WNCT and an unidentified station with Christian music and teaching. (KK-VA)

WFLI

TN, Lookout Mountain – 1/19 1717 noted with The Dave Ramsey Show, "...weather together on The Big Jet-Fli, AM 1070 WFLI" mention by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WGOS, WINA, WKOK, WNCT and an unidentified station with Christian music and teaching. (KK-VA)

1080 WKJK KY, Louisville – 1/19 1800 noted with "Talk radio 1080 WKJK Louisville, an iHeart Radio station" legal ID into CBS News. The signal was noted mixing with WKBY, WTIC, WWNL and an unidentified station with a Talk format in Spanish. (KK-VA) (Years ago, this station was WKJJ – eb)

WKBY VA, Chatham – 1/19 1728 noted with a "WKBY 1080 AM" ID by a male announcer. The signal was noted mixing with WKJK, WTIC, WWNL and an unidentified station with a Talk format in Spanish. (KK-VA)

- 1130 WISN WI, Milwaukee - 1/16 2337 noted with The Mark Levin Show, ad cluster including Sleep Center, iHeart Radio and an ad mentioning Area Code 414, promos for Coast-to-Coast AM with George Noory and The Rush Limbaugh Program, "on 1130 WISN" mention at 2355. A fair at times to very poor signal was noted, mixing with WDFN. (PS-ON1)
- 1180 WGAB IN, Newburgh – 1/23 2153 noted with a beautiful Gospel selection by a female singer, followed by a selection by a male singer, "The Gospel is heard here; Faith Music Radio 1180 WGAB Newburgh" legal ID, weather forecast into another music set. This was definitely NOT running their one-watt night power but getting out pretty well on their day power of 670 watts tonight. A weak signal was noted but audible at times under WHAM and Radio Rebelde from Cuba. (PS-ON)
- 1260 WSDZ IL, Belleville - 1/18 2244 noted with an Urban Gospel format, "Praise 95.1" ID at 2245 into another music set. A poor to very poor signal was noted, mixing with other stations. (PS-ON1) ("Praise 95.1" refers to K236CS Saint Louis MO - eb)
 - WNDE IN, Indianapolis – 1/21 2359 noted with sports talk from Fox Sports Radio, no legal ID at 2400, "Fox Sports Radio 97.5 and 1260" ID at 0001. A poor to very poor signal was noted with an unidentified "Real Country" station; either WBNR or WPHB. (PS-ON) (97.5 refers to W248AW Indianapolis IN – eb)
- OH, Chillicothe 1/12 2223 noted with a Soft Adult Contemporary format, "Thanks for listening to Your Radio, 1350 WCHI" ID into another music 1350 WCHI set, including a selection by Barry Manilow. A poor to very poor signal was noted, mixing with WOYK, WRNY and other stations. (PS-ON)
- 1470 WIBD WI, West Bend - 1/18 2331 noted with a Classic Hits format, "WIBD" ID at 2333. A poor to very poor signal was noted, mixing with WMBD. (PS-ON1)
- 1520 WPAY OH, Rossford - 1/18 2340 noted with "Urban Family Talk" ID, promo for a book written by a coach, Urban Family Talk promos into Lion Chasers (sounds like an anti-New Age show - eb). A fair to poor signal, mixing with KOLM and an unidentified Country station. (PS-ON1) (Your unidentified Country station is KRHW Sikeston, MO - eb)
- 1530 KLBW TX, New Boston - 1/12 2304 on after sunset with Christian talk, Christian music selections from near 2330 to 2400, missed legal ID at 2400, possible newscast, "The Light" mentioned twice by a female announcer into more music. A fair signal at times, almost over WCKY to very poor and barely audible. (PS-ON)

EDITOR'S NOTES

Thanks to Kraig and Paul for their logs in this issue. Paul also reported some excellent DX from Sault Sainte Marie ON; these logs are reminiscent of the logs John J Rieger contributed to this column from L'Anse MI a few years ago. 73 and good DX from NØUIH, the Florissant Valley Dial Twister



DX WORLDWIDE/TROPICAL BAND DX - Brandon Jordan - PO Box 338 - Rossville TN 38066 E-mail: dxww.irca@gmail.com all times UTC

Deadline - Sunday Midnight Central Time.

*** TRANS-PACIFIC DX ***

- 567 JAPAN JOIK, Sapporo, NHK1. JAN 29 0928 very weak with some Japanese being heard. [DV-WA]
- JAPAN JOAK, NHK1, Tokyo. JAN 29 0926 fair with man in Japanese. [DV-WA]
- 693 JAPAN JOAB, Tokyo, NHK2. JAN 29 0935 week with woman/man in Japanese. [DV-WA]

- JAPAN JOUB, Akita, NHK2. JAN 29 0937 good with man in Japanese. [DV-WA]
 JAPAN JOBB, Osaka, NHK2. JAN 29 0938 fair signal with man in Japanese. [DV-WA]
 REP KOREA HLCA, Dangjin. JAN 29 0940 fair with man in Korean. Heavy KUFO splatter. [DV-WA]

*** PAN-AMERICAN DX ***

CUBA Radio Rebelde. JNA 19 2322 - Radio Rebelde with deportes report, a slight echo apart from //5025, 6:22 TC; adjacent 1610 has even stronger Spanish, from where else, Toronto, CHHA with music and female DJ giving 416 phone number for requests [GH-OK]

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DX-398 or PL-880; NRD-545 with ALA-330S inside E-W or inside random wire N-S; ICR-75 with E-W longwire; FRG-7 with NW-SE short wire

DENNIS VROOM, Kalama WA

JRC NRD 545 + Drake R8B, NW EWE 310°

73, Brandon



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Deadlines: 2/10, 2/17 and 3/3 - Anniversary Issue Gary Siegel, 2955 115th Street, Toledo, Ohio 43611

It is with sadness and regret that I report a local radio legend, Harvey J Steele passed away on December 28 2017 due to complications involving diabetes. Harvey was one half of the famed Shores and Steele morning team which has dominated Toledo AM drive since 2000. He along with partner Gary Shores were a formidable pair on WKKO 99.9 FM (K-100) that not only had the top rated morning show from 2000 thru 2017 upon taking over that slot, but also were number 1 in the afternoon drive portion at K-100 from 1994 to 2000. Their ongoing success carried WKKO to the continuous top spot in Toledo radio since at least 1996. Harvey was someone I could call friend since making his acquaintance back in 1982 when he worked along side then program director Gary Shores at WTOD-1560 AM here in Toledo. It was Mr Shores who hired Harvey out of a small station in Illinois and the rest became Toledo radio history when Harvey arrived in Toledo in 1981. Mr Shores started at WTOD in 1975, the same time I was a competitor at WTUU-1520 AM. In 1982, I caught up with both at a local remote. I told Gary about my time in radio and how we were both seeking the same radio audience. Harvey overheard that and was pretty interested, shortly thereafter the conversation turned to DXing as Gary had indicated that he did some of that back in the day. It was then that Harvey mentioned his dad did that too. I asked him who his father was as he said Sid Steele. I immediately told him I knew his father via the various radio clubs for a decade. This connection forged a familiar relationship such that anytime I would see either Gary of Harvey we could talk radio shop or about things in general. It was not uncommon to see Harvey at local Toledo hockey games. His passing is not only a personal loss, but also a huge community loss. Harvey's life story played out very personally for many listeners due to life saving liver transplants he had back in 1997. He became a strong advocate for organ donor causes. His daughter Kara heads the local Life Connection for Ohio organization. Our clubs and the radio industry lost a real original, for me a true friend in the radio world. Harvey grey up in Illinois but lived most of his adult life in Toledo. He was only 60 years old. (The above received at club HQ - two articles from the Toledo Blade follow this issue per permission by Kim Bates. Gary Siegel is a former IRCA member that does not have computer access: this and the articles arrived via smail – pb)

Welcome to another edition of SportChannels! Basketball season is under way, and we're now taking a look at NBA network lists. In this edition, we'll be featuring network lists are from the Southwest Division of the Western Conference and the Central Division of the Eastern Conference, in which the defending Eastern Conference champion Cleveland Cavaliers play. Flagship stations are in **boldface** type.

WESTERN CONFERENCE – SOUTHWEST DIVISION

DALLAS MAVERICKS No English or Spanish play-by-play personnel information available, Web: mavs.com
 1270 KFLC Benbrook, TX (Spanish)
 103.3 KESN Allen, TX (English)

HOUSTON ROCKETS English: Craig Ackerman, Matt Thomas, Spanish: Adrian Chavarria, Web: nba.com/rockets/

740 KTRH Houston, TX (English – alternate) 850 KEYH Houston, TX (Spanish) 99.1 KODA Houston, TX (English – simulcast)

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590 KFNS Wood River, IL	1490 WTUP Tupelo, MS	92.9 KLSC Malden, MO	103.9 WYAB Pocahontas, MS
970 KNEA Jonesboro, AR		92.9 WMFS-FM Bartlett, TN	104.9 KCLT West Helena, AR
1240 KWAK Stuttgart, AR		95.9 W240CA Brentwood, TN (1)	105.3 KAKJ Marianna, AR
1400 WBIP Booneville, MS		96.5 WBFG Parker's Crossroads, TN	105.7 KPNT-HD2 Collinsville, IL

Relays: 1) WNSR 560, 2) WROX 1450

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1240 KANE New Iberia, LA		97.5 KTJZ Tallulah, LA	104.9 WBUV Moss Point, MS
1390 KFRA Franklin, LA		97.7 KNBB Dubach, LA	104.9 WCJU-FM Prentiss, MS

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740 WVLN Olney, IL	1360 WLBK DeKalb, IL	1580 WBCP Urbana, IL	103.5 WXLT Christopher, IL
890 WLS Chicago, IL	1440 WGEM Quincy, IL	1590 WAIK Galesburg, IL	104.5 W283CO Rensselaer, IN (3)
1050 WDZ Decatur, IL 1060 WRHL Rochelle, IL 1200 WRTO Chicago, IL 1280 WBIG Aurora, IL	1440 WROK Rockford, IL 1490 WKRO Cairo, IL 1490 WZOE Princeton, IL 1560 WBYS Canton, IL	FM 96.5 WZPN Farmington, IL 97.7 WLQI Rensselaer, IN 98.9 W255BN DeKalb. IL (1)	105.5 WYKT Wilmington, IL 107.1 W296BV Newton, IL (4)

Relays: 1) WLBK 1360, 2) WGEM 1440, 3) WRIN 1560, 4) WVLN 740

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Relays: 1) WRVC 930, 2) WRGM 1440

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950 WWJ Detroit, MI (alternate)	1380 WPHM Port Huron, MI	96.1 WMAX-FM Holland, MI	101.1 WGRY Roscommon, MI
1090 WKBZ Muskegon, MI	1400 WCCY Houghton, MI	96.7 WRGZ Rogers City, MI	101.9 W270CJ Jackson, MI
1110 WJML Petoskey, MI	1400 WKNW Sault Sainte Marie, MI	97.1 WXYT-FM Detroit, MI (primary)	
1210 WJNL Kingsley, MI	1450 WIBM Jackson, MI	99.3 W257CZ Houghton, MI (1)	
1230 WTKG Grand Rapids, MI	•	100.9 WLUN Pinconning, MI	

Relays: 1) WCCY 1400, 2) WJNL 1210

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AM	1550 WLTI New Castle, IN*	95.3 WNDI-FM Sullivan, IN	106.7 WYFX Mount Vernon, IN	
1070 WFNI Indianapolis, IN	FM	96.7 WORX-FM Madison, IN	106.7 WFGA Hicksville, OH	
1340 WBIW Bedford, IN	92.7 WZBD Berne. IN	102.9 W275AJ Muncie, IN (2)	107.5 W298BB Indianapolis, IN (1)	
1340 WXFN Muncie, IN	93.5 W228CX Indianapolis, IN (1)	103.3 WAXL Santa Claus, ÌN	1 , (,	
1440 WPGW Portland, IN		104.9 WAXI Rockville, IN		
1460 WJCP North Vernon, IN	94.3 WREB Greencastle, IN	106.5 WWBL Washington, IN		

Relays: 1) WFNI 1070, 2) WXFN 1340, Note: * Pacers' list has old call WMDH

MILWAUKEE BUCKS No play-by-play personnel information available, Web: nba.com/bucks/

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590 WJMS Ironwood, MI	1230 WCLO Janesville, WI	1570 WSCO Appleton, WI	93.9 W230BU Rothschild, WI (1)
620 WTMJ Milwaukee, WI	1240 WJMC Rice Lake, WI		95.3 W237AA Appleton, WI (2)
880 WMEQ Menomonie, WI	1240 WOMT Manitowoc, WI		106.3 W292EG Eau Claire, WI (3)
940 WFAW Fort Atkinson, WI	1390 WRIG Schofield, WI		• •

Relays: 1) WRIG 1390, 2) WSCO 1370, 3) WMEQ 880

And with that, we wrap up the NBA station listings. When SportChannels returns, we'll be into the baseball season with station listings for the American League West and National League West. 73 and play hard from the Florissant Valley Dial Twister.





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1550 KKOV [Illegible], presumed CE*; 6605 SE Lake Rd, Portland OR 97222; PL; 5+ years after 2 follow-ups; MF [Station in Vancouver WA]

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WHEN the reply came: Number of days elapsed; f = Follow-up, by mail, FAX, e-mail, or visit; n = Return postage not used; r = Return postage returned NOTES: * [For this column] = Initial report was sent to the CE; follow-up reports sent first to the PD, then to the CE

Thanks to Martin we have a column this month and an image of the prepared card verie from KKOV that took over five years to arrive! This column was prepared on 1/29/18. 73, SSH.

KKOV Talk 1550

Vancouver WA

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Toledo Blade Editorial - Friday, January 5 2018 Harvey Steele's legacy

A generation of Toledoans grew up listening to Harvey Steele, who died on Dec. 28 at the age of 60. His reign at WKKO-FM, 99.9, alongside partner Gary Shores, was unprecedented in the history of Toledo radio. At one point, during Mr Steele's 23 years at K100, the station won 78 out of 79 ratings periods. The Shores

and Steele show was the anchor, first in the afternoon, then, since 2000, every morning.

Harvey Steele worked in Toledo at WKKO-FM, 99.9, for 23 years. He died on Dec. 28.

Mr Steele's work ethic and easy-going personality helped make him a success on the radio. But his generosity and giving spirit made him a natural and believable organ donation advocate, a personal pursuit that will produce benefits long after his death.

As of August, more than 116,000 Americans are on the organ transplant waiting list. About 20 people each day die while waiting for a transplant. It is a problem that is becoming more severe in a nation wracked by soaring obesity, diabetes, and binge-drinking rates.

By his own admission, Mr Steele's job at K100 gave him a bully pulpit to speak to people about the importance of organ donation. He unknowingly contracted hepatitis C during a blood transfusion in 1985. By 1997, his liver had begun to fail. An initial transplant did not work, requiring him to receive a second liver transplant within days of the first.

Mr Steele's experience fed his passion for the importance of organ donation. He talked about it often on his show and during public appearances. Mr Steele volunteered for Life Connection of Ohio and other community groups. In 2016, he received the National Donor Memorial Award for Excellence.

Harvey Steele was good at what he did. And for many years, he reigned as a star. It is not as simple to quantify the number of lives he changed by convincing people to become organ donors, but that was the greater star turn.



Harvey Steele (1957-2017)

Half of popular broadcast partners tireless champ for organ donation

By Kirk Baird - BLADE STAFF WRITER Published on December 30 2017 | Updated 12:22 am

Standing in front of the WKKO-FM, 99.9, microphone Friday morning was "the hardest thing" Gary Shores said he has ever done in decades of radio broadcasting.

Mr Shores publicly announced the death of longtime K-100 on-air partner and friend Harvey Steele to listeners of their longtime top-rated morning show, Shores and Steele.

'We've been together for 23 years as a very successful team in Toledo," Mr Shores later told The Blade. "It's like losing a little brother.'

Mr Steele, 60, of Sylvania, died at about 6:24 am. Thursday, after he was taken to Flower Hospital on Saturday with diabetic ketoacidosis, a complication of diabetes in which the body is not producing enough insulin, with a blood-sugar level above 1,000, said his daughter, Kara Steele.

While Mr Steele's blood sugars were stabilized, "his body was probably so tired, he had been through a lot

medically in his life," she said.

Mr Steele had two liver transplants within a week of each other in 1997 at Cleveland Clinic after he unknowingly contracted hepatitis C from a blood transfusion in 1985.

The transplant not only saved his life, it changed it.

Mr Steele became a tireless on-air crusader for the cause of organ donation and other charities. That commitment continued off the air as well, said London Mitchell, Cumulus Media Toledo's News Director, who has been part of the Shores and Steele morning drive-time show since taking over for K-100's top-rated Mitch and Mary Beth in 2000.

"Very often he would do a remote broadcast for a benefit and never charge for his time there," Mr Mitchell said. "If you don't give back to the community, you're not really doing the job [of a radio broadcaster]. It's more than just being on the air and talking in the microphone. It's connecting with the community and Harvey did that really well."

Ín recognition of Shores and Steele's 20th year together and all of their charitable work, Toledo City Council voted 12-0 to pass a proclamation in their honor in October, 2014.

In 2016, Mr Steele received the National Donor Memorial Award for Excellence in Richmond, Va., for his efforts in promoting the cause of organ donation. Scott Sands, senior vice president of programming for I Heart Radio's cluster of Toledo stations, said he remembers talking with Mr Steele at Toledo Walleye hockey games about Mr Sands' son, now 11, who had a liver transplant at 11 months old.

"We never talked shop," Mr Sands said. "Harvey always made a point of asking how he was doing. I think that's a reflection of who he was and what he cared about.

"You look at all the charitable things he has been able to do with K-100, and I hope that encourages someone who is not a donor to register in Harvey's memory and give a family another 20 years or longer by becoming an organ donor."

Mr Steele's commitment to organ donation also convinced his daughter to join Life Connection of Ohio as Director of Community Services.

But as a dad, she said, Mr Steele "was the best."
"I was introduced to hockey by him," Miss Steele said. "I grew up in the the old Sports Arena when we went to Toledo Storm games, and we have season tickets to the Walleye. He was so passionate [about the games]. He would always rile up the other team. They would look back at him, 'Who are you, little man, yelling those things at us?' But the fans around us got a kick out of it."

The Toledo Walleye had a moment of silence during Friday's game in honor of Mr Steele.

Born March 13 1957 in Evanston, Ill., to Sidney and Harriett Steele, Mr Steele grew up wanting to be on the radio despite having a speech impediment: a lisp known as sibilants s. With help from his father, Mr Steele built a low-power, licensed radio station in his room - its call letters were WOW - and graduated from Illinois State University in 1979 with a degree in mass communications while working at local radio stations.

In May, 1981, Mr Steele moved to Toledo to broadcast the noon-to-3 shift on WTOD-AM, Toledo's only country station at the time, replacing Mr Shores as

production director.

Mr Steele would join Mr Shores at K-100 13 years later for an afternoon slot at the suggestion of the station's general manager, who noticed a natural chemistry between the friends who occasionally broadcast together for station remotes.

Someone in the advertising business once described the Shores and Steele pairing as that of "two guys sitting in a garage working on their car and drinking beer," Mr Shores would tell The Blade.

"He was saying it negatively," he said, but Mr Shores and Mr Steele thought it was the perfect description.

In 1995 the Country Music Association named Mr Shores and Mr Steele its Broadcast Personalities of the Year in a medium-sized market.

Mr Shores and Mr Steele dominated the ratings as K-100's afternoon show, and did the same when they moved to mornings; at one point, K-100 was the toprated station for 78 out of 79 ratings books counting their six-year run in the afternoon.

'That was sort of our big challenge... the prime-time of radio, the morning drive slot," Mr Steele told The Blade in the 2014 profile. "Now we're the longestrunning morning show in Toledo.'

But without his partner, Mr Shores is not sure what will happen next.

He was scheduled for a vacation this week and will take off all of next week, he said. January 8 is the soonest he'll be back on the air from 5 to 10 am.

Mr Shores said he has not decided between going solo in the mornings, partnering with someone else, or even retiring from radio.

But he does know one thing about the future of the show: "Shores and Steele is over."

Mr Steele is survived by his daughters, Kara Steele and Allison Kuhr; his sister, Janet Twigg, and his former wife, Mary Beth Steele.

A public celebration of Mr Steele's life scheduled from noon to 8 p.m. Wednesday at Walker Funeral Home, 5155 W. Sylvania Ave.

The family suggests tributes to The Harvey J. Steele Memorial Fund through the Toledo Community Foundation.

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