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**From the Publisher:** The conclusion of John Malicky's report on the 2010 NRC/WTFDA joint convention in Rochester appears this week. The full text (along with additional pictures not in the printed version) will be posted online shortly; visit <www.nrcdxas.org>.

And, of course, if you're interested in hosting the 2011 convention, or simply would like more information on conventions, please contact Ernie Wesolowski (13312 Westwood Lane, Omaha NE 68144-3543, <neerniew@hotmail.com>).

A happy Thanksgiving and a holiday full of good DX to you! Because of my own holiday travel schedule, the deadline here at <NRCDXNews@gmail.com> for issue #10 will be extended to 1800 ELT on Saturday, November 27, instead of the usual Friday.

**New Members:** Welcome to Arthur Coffey, Mechanicsville VA (rejoins); Sam Dellit, Australia (rejoins); and Richard Hayden, Stafford Springs, CT.

**November 22:** The masthead date for this issue reminds me of one of the most fascinating historical radio recordings I have ever heard – the live feed from KLIF-1190 in Dallas, TX, recorded on November 22, 1963. Worth listening to, not only for the local coverage of the events of that day as they unfolded, but also for a sense of how radio, and our society, have changed over the decades. It's available from a number of websites online; Google will get you there – DY.

## DX News Publishing Schedule, Vol. 78

	Deadline	Masthead		Deadline	Masthead
9	Nov. 19	Nov. 29	20	Feb. 11	Feb. 21
10	Nov. 27	Dec. 6	21	Feb. 18	Feb. 28
11	Dec. 3	Dec. 13	22	Feb. 25	Mar. 7
12	Dec. 10	Dec. 20	23	Mar. 4	Mar. 14
13	Dec. 26	Jan. 3	24	Mar. 18	Mar. 28
14	Dec. 31	Jan. 10	25	Apr. 1	Apr. 11
15	Jan. 7	Jan. 17	26	Apr. 22	May 2
16	Jan. 14	Jan. 24	27	May 27	June 6
17	Jan. 21	Jan. 31	28	July 1	July 11
18	Jan. 28	Feb. 7	29	Aug. 5	Aug. 15
19	Feb. 4	Feb. 14	30	Sept. 9	Sept. 19

## DX Time Machine

**50 years ago ... from the November 19, 1960 DX News:** Jim Ernst of Halifax NS included a nickel in his report to WWIN, but they returned it with the QSL; Lefty Cooper of Brooklyn NY mused about the claim in his Radio Swan-1160 QSL that the station was omnidirectional, but also protects KSL.

**25 years ago ... from the November 25, 1985 DX News:** Leading the NRC Contest was William Moser (ND), followed by Niel Wolfish (MB), Jim Renfrew (NY), Bill Hardy (WA), Bruce Conti (NH), Nancy Hardy (WA), and Patrick O'Connor (NH).

**10 years ago ... from the November 20, 2000 DX News:** KLVZ-1220 seems to have backed out of its plan to switch to a classical music format, but two MW stations have recently begun classical music: KXTR-1250 and WCCC-1290.

## NRC AM Radio Log, 31st Edition

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# AM Switch



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Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC, CRTC, and listeners

## CALL LETTER CHANGES

None this week.

## CPs ON THE AIR

1170 WLEO PR Ponce – CP for U1 200/200 is on the air after moving to a tower adjacent to the old structure at 17-58-52/66-36-49. Since the new tower is taller than the one formerly used, a power decrease from the former 250 Watts was necessary.

## ACTIONS

890 KLFF CA Arroyo Grande – Construction Permit granted for U4 5000/5000. The new day pattern is a circle based at Arroyo Grande (essentially non-directional) and a new night pattern remains unchanged (large circle to the southwest) except for three very small lobes off the back directed to the northeast, east-northeast, and east-southeast, better serving the city-of-license.

**890 AM**  
*Interactive Christian Talk!*

## APPLICATIONS

1050 KLOH MN Pipestone - Applies for U4 9380/410, a slight decrease in night power.

## APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

1120 NEW NM Peralta - Applies for U7 50000/250 CH 28000.

1340 NEW AR Bethel Heights - Applies for U1 1000/1000.

## DISMISSALS

890 KLFF CA Arroyo Grande - Construction Permit for U4 12000/12000. KLFF remains U2 5000/5000 with a CP for U4 5000/5000. [See Actions, above]

1360 KBUY NM Ruidoso - Construction Permit for U1 9000/201. KBUY remains U1 5000/210.

1470 KFMZ MO Brookfield - Construction Permit for U4 5000/50 on 1210 kHz. KFMZ remains here with U4 500/20.

## AM on FM

1600 WARU IN Peru - WARU-FM (101.9) Roann, Indiana



## HEAR AND THAR

- ✿ Reported as Silent: WJIG-740 Tullahoma, Tennessee.
- ✿ News Item: CHNC-610 New Carlisle and CHGM-1150 kHz Gaspé, both Quebec, signed off October 31. Programming originated from New Carlisle since they merged in the 80s.
- ✿ Playing Christmas Music: WXYG-540 Sauk Rapids, Minnesota; KSPA-1510 Ontario, California.
- ✿ Thanks to Eric Laberge of saguenayradio via Shawn Axelrod.



## Bruce Elving's **FM Atlas ... 21st Edition**

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**U.S./Canadian Loggings from Eastern/Atlantic Time Zones. All times ELT.**

#### REPORTERS

JC-DE **John Cereghin, Smyrna - FRG7, DX150B, various ultralights**  
 MC-NJ **Mike Clancy, Jersey City – DX-396**  
 HF-MI **Harold Frodge, Midland - Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW**  
 DP-QC **Denis Picard, Trois-Rivières - ICOM 746 Pro, Kiwa loop, 145' attic wire**  
 JJR-MI **John J. Rieger, L'Anse - CCCrane Radio2**  
 DY-WV **David Yocis - Shannondale – R8B, Quantum phaser, LWs**  
 MKB-ON **Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig G5, Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, Panasonic RF-2200 (receiver emeritus)**

#### LOGGINGS

540 WLIE NY **Islip – 11/6 0550 – SS music in CBEF null, ID at 0600 "You're listening to ... and WLIE". (DP-QC)**

630 CFCO ON **Chatham – 11/2 2253 – Shania Twain's "That don't impress me much", ID at 2255 "92.9 FM, 630 AM CFCO...", in WPRO null. (DP-QC)**

690 CBKF-1 SK **Gravelbourg – 11/7 0600 – FF news, national anthem at 0605, then "Ici Radio-Canada en Saskatchewan, nous diffusons nos émissions à partir des émetteurs suivants: Regina 97.7 FM, Gravelbourg 690 AM, Saskatoon 860 AM, Zenon Park 93.5 FM, Bellegarde 91.9 FM, North Battleford 96.9 FM, Prince Albert 90.1 FM..."; some QRM from SS station, probably R. Progreso. New, SK #1 and province #7! (DP-QC)**

750 WQOR PA **Olyphant – 11/10 1705 – Catholic-based (EWTN) news on New York Roman Catholic schools, "Kresta in the Afternoon" program about breast cancer. (JC-DE)**

850 WKNR OH **Cleveland – 11/5 2017 – Poor over WGVS with ad, high school scores, slogan "ESPN 850 WKNR". Not common. (JJR-MI)**

860 KNUJ MN **New Ulm – 11/5 2027 – Very poor with "Hwy 99 + ... in ..." Pizza ad, high school football game (opponent was the Raiders) over UNID AC station. Finally "on 860-KNUJ" at :30 into ad. Never heard at night! (JJR-MI)**

870 KPRM MN **Park Rapids – 11/5 2032 – Poor in WWL null with classic C&W. Promo, ad for KPRM and (FM) KPRK, and ID as "KPRM, serving you from Park Rapids, MN" into C&W song. Never heard at night. (JJR-MI)**

900 CHML ON **Hamilton – 10/25 2127 – Very good with local municipal election coverage. Former CHML host Bob Bratina was elected mayor of Hamilton! Victory speech by Toronto mayor Rob Ford, who won election easily, sounding like a U.S. Tea Party candidate. (MC-NJ)**

940 WCPC MS **Houston – 11/8 1815 – Fair with "Family Altar Program". (JC-DE)**

960 WEAV NY **Plattsburgh – 11/6 0615 – Slogan "The Zone", local ads. (JC-DE)**

WHYL PA **Carlisle – 10/29 0030 – Fair-good with station promo "all the great hits on one great station, 960 WHYL", "WHYL" jingle into "San Francisco" by Scott Mackenzie and "You Won't See Me" by Anne Murray. (MC-NJ)**

1070 WFNI IN **Indianapolis – 10/27 1852 – Clear at first then faded with "Welcome to Colts update on 10-70 The Fan." (MC-NJ)**


1120 WPRX CT **Bristol – 11/6 2058 – Tropical music, legal ID in EE, fair in KMOX partial phase null. Usually there, but not ID'ed before from this location. (DY-WV)**

1160 WQRT KY **Florence – 11/12 1900 – Fighting off WYLL-Chicago with ToH ID "you're listening to Cincinnati's Real Talk AM 1160 WQRT" into AP news. (MKB-ON)**

1170 KFAQ OK **Tulsa – 11/6 1859 – Glenn Beck rerun on Saturday afternoon, ads, promo for Beck Monday-Friday 9-12 "on News Radio 11-70 AM KFAQ," to ABC news, good with WFDL in WWVA phase null. (DY-WV)**

WFDL WI **Waupun – 11/6 1900 – Legal ID in the mix with WWVA phase null, "WFDL ... Waupun ...," and possibly into CBS news. A third station in the mix with**

KFAQ and WFDL in WWVA null; WFDL and the unID had OLD and NOS but I couldn't tell which was which. (DY-WV)

- 1230 WMPC MI **Lapeer** – 11/8 1659 – On top of graveyard jumble with Alliance for Great Lakes PSA, ToH ID: "1230 on your dial is WMPC Lapeer." (MKB-ON)
- WCRO PA **Johnstown** – 11/8 1650 – Poking through WECK groundwave, ESPN sports talker and others in graveyard jumble with NOS songs, station promo "...the music you remember is on WCRO." (MKB-ON)
- WOLH SC **Florence** – 11/5 2200 – Three-station ID starting with "WOLH Florence," into Fox News on the hour, clear and briefly atop in the mix. (DY-WV)
- 1240 WCBY MI **Cheboygan** – 11/12 1814 – Briefly on top of graveyard jumble, presumed with classic C&W, slogan "your brand of country, 1240 Big Country Gold." (MKB-ON)
- WHIZ OH **Zanesville** – 11/11 1900 – Caught tail-end of ToH ID in graveyard mush, "...here on 1240 WHIZ" into ABC news. (MKB-ON)
- 1330 WLOL MN **Minneapolis** – 11/5 2049 – Poor, "Eden Prairie here on Relevant Radio" into ad. No usual KWLO. (JJR-MI)
- 1340 WIRY NY **Plattsburgh** – 11/7 0735 – "WIRY" popped out in the mess, where WSTJ was mostly dominant. (DP-QC)
- KIJV SD **Huron** – 11/5 2110 – Very poor in fade in/out with "Hey Soul Sister" by Train and "Danny's Song" by Kenny Loggins then "this is Delilah on 1340 KIJV" and mess. Second time heard. (JJR-MI)
- WEPM WV **Martinsburg** – 11/12 1725 – ESPN sports talk, local Martinsburg ads, DT-400W. (JC-DE)
- 1350 WEZS NH **Laconia** – 11/10 2140 – Ringo Starr's "Photograph", Rose Royce "Car wash", ID at 2153 "The hits you want to hear, WEZS, all-new 1350", into Guess Who's "These eyes." (DP-QC)
- WARF OH **Akron** – 11/10 2200 – ID and station promo "... university of Akron... WARF-AM... Fox Sports 1350...." (DP-QC)
- 1360 WKYO MI **Caro** – 11/6 0828 – Over WTAQ with "Pooch Parade" local lost dog announcements, puppies for sale, etc. (locally produced community service programming – what a concept!), local weather, "...Michigan's most accurate weather forecasts are on Oldies 1360 WKYO" into "Denise Denise" by Randy and the Rainbows. (MKB-ON)
-  WELP SC **Easley** – 11/11 1730 – End of "Truth, Light, and Life" religious program, mentioning 1-800-311-1277 and P.O. Box 70, Mount Crawford, VA 22841, two WELP IDs, fair in mix. (DY-WV)
- 1430 WVAM PA **Altoona** – 11/5 1717 – Slogan "WVAM-AM; Altoona's ESPN Radio, AM 14-30", Altoona H.S. & Penn State football promos. Good peaks in and out with mainly WFOB. PA #56. (HF-MI)
- WBEV WI **Beaver Dam** – 11/5 2115 – Very poor, in and out under KZQZ. No CHKT. "Wisconsin Badgers on WBEV Beaver Dam" station promo into ad. Never heard at night. (JJR-MI)
- 1470 WBTX VA **Broadway** – 11/8 0822 – Briefly on top with promo for local church event in Harrisonburg, local weather "...that's the forecast for our 1470 WBTX listening area" into country-gospel song, then lost to Fox Sports talker. (MKB-ON)
- 1650 WHKT VA **Portsmouth** – 11/5 2259 – Fair-good with fading, Beta Prostate ad followed by ID: "you're listening to 1650 WHKT Portsmouth, conservative talk radio for Hampton Roads", into CBS news. (MC-NJ)

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#### Reporters


- DBJ-TN David B. Jones, Nashville, TN Drake R8B, Quantum QX v2 plus loop.  
 GH-KS Gary Houdek, Munden, KS GE Superadio.

- JDS-MN Jeff Steffes, Watertown, MN Kenwood R-2000, Quantum QX Loop.  
 JEL-MO Kansas City MO: Honda Odyssey car radio.  
 JJR-WI John J Rieger, South Milwaukee, WI C. Crane Radio 2 stock.  
 JW-CO John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.  
 RS-ID Ron Schiller, Coeur d'Alene, ID Palstar R30, Quantum Loop and Grundig 350, Kia Soul car radio.  
 SMA-MB Shawn M. Axelrod VE4DX1SMA, Winnipeg, MB ICOM ICR-70 and Drake R8; 4 foot unamplified box loop, Quantum loop, 155 foot outdoor wire, 100 foot indoor wire; MFJ 1026 phasing unit.  
 WH-CO Wayne Heinen, Aurora. Kiwa Loop Drake R8B, E/W Flag, N/S Flag, Dual TG-1 Termination Gizmo w/DX Engineering RPA-1 preamp and Mini DXP5.

### Station News and Changes

- 720 WGN IL Chicago – 10/29 2104 – Out of Blackhawks Hockey to program notes "right here on News 720 WGN" in a bunch of IBOC hash. It appears that "News 720" is the new slogan of preference at WGN. Noted AN. (WH-CO)  
 1560 KZQQ TX Abilene – 11/3 2200 – Out of FSR programming "This is your home for Fox Sports Radio KZQQ." Check of internet says they switched to Fox sports back in September. So adjust your LOG. (WH-CO)  
 1630 KRND WY Fox Farm – (cf. issue 78/6) – New slogan is "La Jota." "Jota" is the Spanish word for the letter 'J.' Not sure what this slogan refers to since there is no J in the call sign. Does not appear to be relaying another station, and call letters are still KRND, per ToH legal ID. A daytimer here. (JW-CO)

### DX Logs (All Times ELT)

- 550 KRAI CO Craig – 11/11 1858 – Country under KBOW, IDing as "KRAI International." (RS-ID)  
 KBOW MT Butte – 11/11 1900 – Clear ID atop the channel as "KBOW Southwest Montana's News Authority," into CBS News. (RS-ID)  
 KFYZ ND Bismarck – 11/10 0759 – Legal ID, followed by Fox News. Fair in QRM with KLZ-560's IBOC nulled. (JW-CO)  
 KTSA TX San Antonio – 10/22 0355 – *Midnight Radio Network* program, ID as KTSA. Signal gone at top of the hour to hear the network news. (GH-KS)  
 610 KOJM MT Havre – 11/11 1840 – Seemingly the one mixed with CHNL & KONA with 80s music (Tears for Fears). (RS-ID)  
 650 WNMT MN Nashwauk – 11/6 0826 – Station ID: "Talk radio for Northern Minnesota" into Wall Street Journal program. (GH-KS)  
 11/9 1859 – Man with ID: "You're listening to NewsTalk AM 650 WNMT Nashwauk-Hibbing"; ABC news was next. Good signal; probably still on day power. (JW-CO)

CKOM SK Saskatoon – 11/10 0735 – Poor, steady in WSM null. Calls, News Line #. (JJR-WI)



11/24 0205 – ID as "Saskatchewan's Number One Station, CKOM." Heard while listening to WSM Nashville. (GH-KS)

- 690 KTSM TX El Paso – 11/10 21:30 – Fair under/over several UNID's with CL, "News Talk 690" and into local news. Rare since their night pattern has a pretty deep null in our direction. (JEL-MO)  
 WZAP VA Bristol – 11/8 0747 – Poor-steady "IRN/USA news coming up on WZAP" between Christian songs. (JJR-WI)  
 720 KDWN NV Las Vegas – 10/30 0900 – Out of the Glenn Beck program "NewsTalk 720 KDWN Doing it first and doing it better for 30 years KDWN Las Vegas, a Beasley Broadcast Group station," to AP Radio News. (WH-CO)  
 KSAH TX Universal City – 10/30 0701 – Out of lively SS Music "KSAH AM Universal City-San Antonio KRIO FM Pearsall-San Antonio" in EE, slogan in SS "La Estación de la Raza," armchair copy at this hour. (WH-CO)  
 790 CFCW AB Camrose – 11/10 0830 – Out of C&W with "Alberta's most experienced newsroom, this is CFCW Community First news;" five minutes of news, weather, and major/minor league hockey results was followed by more music at 0836. Fair, mixing with KGHL and others. (JW-CO)  
 800 WVAL MN Sauk Rapids – 10/26 2036 – High school football; Sartell vs. Fergus Falls into Station ID: AM 800, into commercial: Care Auto Sales, followed by "Metro sports football continues on AM 800 WVAL." (JDS-MN)

- 850 CKLW ON Windsor – 10/26 2034 – Station ID: “AM Eight Hundred CKLW.” (JDS-MN)
- 850 KOA CO Denver – 10/26 2059 – TOH Station ID: “News Radio Eight-Fifty KOA” into news by female announcer, “Forty-two degrees and windy in Denver.” (JDS-MN)
- 880 KLRG AR Sheridan – 11/8 0800 – Poor-steady in WCBS null. Don Imus into 5 minutes of ad, many PSA, Imus, PSA and finally fired off legal ids (played at :50 and :00) w/3-station ID! into CNN news. Wrote station to let them know they were heard here. (JJR-WI)
- WCBS NY New York – 10/27 2220 – Weather forecast ending with “Josh Nagelberg, WCBS weather.” (JDS-MN)
- CKLQ MB Brandon – 10/27 2215 – Hockey game in progress, into “You’re listening to Blazers hockey on CKLQ.” (JDS-MN)
- 900 CKBI SK Prince Albert – 10/27 2231 – Play-by-play hockey, followed by “You’re listening to Raiders hockey on CKBI.” (JDS-MN)
- 930 KROE WY Sheridan – 11/5 0859 – Weather, legal ID, and CBS news. Fair and improving to good with no sign of KRKY. (JW-CO)
- 960 KMA IA Shenandoah – 10/27 2250 – Area high school football scores into commercials: Iowa Farm Bureau, Firestone, Barker Implement followed by: “You’re listening to KMA and KMA FM Shenandoah,” into national news (JDS-MN)
- 970 WZAM MI Ishpeming – 11/10 0745 – Poor in WHA null. “ESPN970 and ESPN970.com” “Superiordome” “Negaunee” announcements. (JJR-WI)
- 990 WCAZ IL Carthage – 11/10 0800 – Poor-very poor in complete fades. CBW nulled. Sat thru 2 farm shows, 1 ad and finally after 11 minutes, local ID, IRN/USA news. (JJR-WI)
- 1010 CBR AB Calgary – 10/30 0758 – Male announcer giving area temperatures, into Colleen Underwood with the local news with references to Calgary. Followed by “This is Daybreak it’s six o’clock” into CBC news. (JDS-MN)
- 1020 KDKA PA Pittsburgh – 10/30 0827 – Political campaign advertisement followed by “There’s only one news radio 1020 KDKA.” (JDS-MN)
- 1040 WHO IA Des Moines – 10/30 0830 – “The Hawkeyes play here on news radio ten-forty WHO,” followed by male announcer with news starting with “partly cloudy and fifty degrees in Des Moines.” (JDS-MN)
- 1070 WTSO WI Madison – 10/30 0839 – *The Big Wild Radio Show* into commercials for the Green Bay Packers at Lambeau Field, and *The Mike Keller Show* on the Big 1070. (JDS-MN)
- 1080 KYMN MN Northfield – 10/30 0847 – Weather forecast including “forty-two degrees at the KYMN studios.” (JDS-MN)
- 1090 WAQE WI Rice Lake – 10/30 0858 – Stocks and Jocks radio show into “WAQE Rice Lake.” (JDS-MN)
- 1130 CKWX BC Vancouver – 11/1 2223 – Weather forecast followed by “CKWX news time seven-twenty-four.” (JDS-MN)
- 1160 KSL UT Salt Lake City – 11/1 2234 – “KSL news time eight-thirty-four” followed by traffic report by Paul Nelson in the KSL traffic center. (JDS-MN)
- 1170 KJOC IA Davenport – 11/1 2240 – Song: Soul Man into “Rock-n-Roll’s greatest hits on the true oldies channel,” followed by Song: Up Around the Bend, Creedence Clearwater Revival, into “Quad Cities true oldies, eleven-seventy.” (JDS-MN)
- 1180 WHAM NY Rochester – 11/1 2246 – *Savage Nation* radio show, into Station ID: “WHAM” followed by political commercials with references to Rochester, Buffalo, and Albany. (JDS-MN)
- 1200 WOAI TX San Antonio – 11/1 2256 – Basketball play by play Spurs vs. Clippers, into commercials with references to San Antonio (JDS-MN)
- 1240 WSDR IL Sterling – 11/10 0700 – Poor-weather on tune in, by chance heard “at WSDR.” Many others in. (JJR-WI)
- KBLL MT Helena – 11/9 1840 – About an hour before sundown here, peaking with weather and ID as “KBLL News Talk for the Capital City,” ...over semi-local KOFE, Saint Maries, ID (33 miles from me). (KBLL 244 miles.) (RS-ID)
- 1300 KROP CA Brawley – 11/8 0824 – “You’re listening to KROP AM 1300, Brawley, California, home of Imus in the Morning, Dr. Laura, and the Glenn Beck show,” then back to Imus; faded but heard a few minutes later with local rodeo ad. Generally fair. (JW-CO)
- KLER ID Orofino – 11/9 0836 – C&W song; followed by “AM 13 KLER” ID at 0839, followed by several non-local ads; back to music at 0843 after this ID: “The

widest variety of country around – AM 13 KLER". Fair peaks with fading. A new one here, ID #39. **(JW-CO)**

- 1310 KZRG MO **Joplin** – 11/10 0709 – Poor-steady in WIBA null. "NewsTalk KZRG" into Nat Anthem. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1330 CJYM SK **Rosetown** – 11/11 1905 – Swamping the frequency after local daytimer KMBI went off, oldies...their lower wattage parallel twin (1 kw vs. CJYM's 10 kw), CFYM 1210 Kindersley also audible but not nearly as dominant. **(RS-ID)**
- 1380 KLPZ AZ **Parker** – 10/31 0658 – Faded up briefly with a quick call sign ID "KLPZ 1380 AM" and was gone, almost sounded like "KQKD" but help from the [NRC-AM] list listening to the clip we figured out it was KLPZ. **(WH-CO)**
- KXCA OK **Lawton** – 10/31 0200 – Out of SPT programing "Every Man's Dream AM 1380 KXCA Lawton-Fort Sills-Perry" to more sports programming. **(WH-CO)**
- KOTA SD **Rapid City** – 10/30 2100 – Out of string of spots "AM 1380 KOTA Rapid City" fair with KGNU's IBOC nulled. **(WH-CO)**
- 1410 KWYO WY **Sheridan** – 11/5 0911 – Area news with Erica, followed by weather; several mentions of sheridanmedia.com; 0914 ID as "Classic Country 1410 AM KWYO" and into C&W song. Very good signal and pretty much alone on the frequency. **(JW-CO)**
- 1440 KUHL CA **Santa Maria** – 11/4 0907 – Weather with Sarah Cole, including temperatures for Santa Maria, Pismo Beach, and Santa Barbara; ended with an invitation to tune in to complete weather on KCOY-TV from 5-6 PM; spotty reception after this, but seemed to continue with news and information. Rough under KRDZ and a fading KMAJ. Brand new here, CA #118. **(JW-CO)**
- 1450 KVSI ID **Montpelier** – 11/2 2100 – Out of non-descript music "... KVSI Montpelier the Voice of..." up briefly with just the ID. **(WH-CO)**
- WATZ MI **Alpena** – 11/8 0700 – Very poor w/nice LID into ABC news. "News-Talk-Sports." Rare. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1480 KSDR SD **Watertown** – 11/9 0705 – Poor, end of ABC news, weather Hi:68, 51 now "at KSDR." Used to be more common. Rare! **(JJR-WI)**
- 1500 KPGM OK **Pawhuska** – 11/10 0729 – Poor, shop local, asking for \$. "on KY./K.GN?" Former UNID solved! Sister :KYFM. bartlesvilleradio.com. NEW! **(JJR-WI)**
- 1560 KLNG IA **Council Bluffs** – 11/4 0900 – Up briefly in the muck "KLNG Council Bluffs-Omaha" mostly mixing with KCAA. **(WH-CO)**
- KTUI MO **Sullivan** – 11/8 0813 – Poor in WGLB null. USA/IRN news, MO news, MO sports, MO weather, MO volleyball, buckets, soccer and the next basketball game would be heard on "102.1FM" and finally at :30, a nice LID! Rare! **(JJR-WI)**
- KCAA SD **Aberdeen** – 11/4 0100 – Out of Classical type music "On 1560 AM on the dial 24 hours a day KCAA Aberdeen." **(WH-CO)**
- 1590 KCNN MN **East Grand Forks** – 11/5 1435 – Very good signals with new format. They were Fox Sports and are now Classic Rock. The slogan was "Rock 107 9" "We're rockin' when the other guys are talkin'". The Rock 107.9 refers to their parallel on 107.9 K300BG translator. Seems that the translator is more important than the AM station. Yes they do use Flintstones bits at times. Yes, they do mention the translator on the top of the hour ID's. **(SA-MB)**

#### TIS

- 1710 TIS WI **Milwaukee** – 11/9 0800 – Poor-steady w/classical mx, IRN-USA news(!), "AM 1710 Bay View-Milwaukee" after news. Part 15 from Souls Harbor Baptist Church (Google AM1710 Lighthouse radio) and this is easily 5 mi away! NEW! (Bay View is a "neighborhood" in Milwaukee. It is not a city, though if I'm correct, the city of Bay View was annexed to Milwaukee years ago. **(JJR-WI)**

#### Errata

- 600 KTBB TX **Tyler** – 10/3 2330 – Local restaurant ad from Tyler; talk on health insurance; spot for local insurance company. **(DB-TN)** Erroneously listed in 78-05 as 1210 KTSB. Reported correctly; editor messed up the logging. Thanks to John Wilkins for pointing this out. **(JDT-WA)**

Hopefully the switch to standard time and extra evening darkness hours has helped jump-start your DXing. From the number of logs this time, looks like something has. Thanks for all of your contributions. See you next time. **(JDT-WA)**

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**Loggings of stations outside the Lower 48 and Canada. All times UTC.**

Trans-Atlantic DX

- 270 **CZECH REPUBLIC** *Ceský Rozhlas 1*, Topolná (49°10'N 17°30'E) NOV 5 2128-2209 – Tentative. Weak to fair in peaks with man and woman in unknown language taking phone calls and playing pop music including Scott McKenzie's 1967 hit "San Francisco Wear Flowers." NOV 6 2137-2147 - In again but weak signal with same format: male host in unknown language taking phone calls and playing pop tunes. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 531 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, El Ain Beida (35°49'N 7°19'E) NOV 12 2200 – Good; time marker (5+1) and fanfare into dry reading of news, parallel 549 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 549 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Les Trembles (35°17'N 0°34'W) NOV 6 2150 – Strong with man in Arabic followed by mid-tempo female vocal in Arabic with drums and violins; parallel to 531 kHz which was also strong at the time. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 558 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros NOV 12 2200 – Fair, synchro echo; "Radio Nacional de España, Informativos," parallel 585, 621, and 639 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 594 **PORTUGAL** *R.Sim*, Muge (39°05'N 8°41'W) NOV 11 0148 – Just able to pull out some weak audio from this one despite heavy spill over from 590 pretty much dominating. Heard English big band style song, "I want to be loved by you," then into a Portuguese ballad. No announcements heard but fits their programming. [Wood-MA]
- 595 **MOROCCO** *RTM A*, Oujda (34°40'N 1°51'W) NOV 12 2120 – Dueling het with unID 594 kHz, neither strong enough to produce readable audio. [Conti-NH]
- 603 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Lyon-Tramoyes (45°53'N 4°57'E) NOV 12 0100 – Fair; fanfare into news. [Conti-NH]
- 639 **SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros NOV 12 0100 – Good, with synchro echo; time marker, fanfare into news, parallel 585 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 684 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Sevilla (37°12'N 5°55'W) OCT 21 2217 – Good with discussion between man and woman in Spanish. No problem from 680 WRKO. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 693 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5*, Droitwich et al. OCT 21 2221 – Good with teletalk on children living in poverty, parallel to a weaker 909 kHz. [DeLorenzo-MA] NOV 12 0100 – Good; "On digital and online, this is BBC Radio, Five Live" into news with 1 o'clock time check. [Conti-NH]
- 810 **SCOTLAND** *BBC R.Scotland*, various NOV 10 2202 – Men in Scottish accent with sports talk. Poor-fair under CJVA. [Black-MA]
- 864 **FRANCE** *France Bleu*, Villebon-sur-Yvette (48°41'N 2°14'E) OCT 21 2235-2246 – Fair with news in French and pop music including McCartney's "Mull of Kintire" and "Celebrate" by Kool and the Gang. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 963 **TUNISIA** *R.Tunisie Culture*, Tunis (36°48'N 10°10'E) NOV 12 2339 – Excellent; presumed this with Koranic vocals, though WRTH lists 2300 sign-off. Couldn't get streaming audio for parallel. Lost signal through the hour. Other possibilities might be Iran or Sudan. [Conti-NH]
- 1062 **DENMARK** *Danmarks Radio*, Kalundborg (55°40'N 11°04'E) NOV 7 0435-0445 – Excellent; 0435 open carrier, 0440 interval signal, 0445 sign-on and weather. [Conti-NH]
- 1179 **SWEDEN** *R.Sweden International*, Sölvesborg (55°59'N 14°40'E) OCT 30 2137 – Good with discussion between one man and two women in Swedish. Reported to be the last day of broadcasting on 1179 kHz. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 1206 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Bordeaux (44°57'N 0°11'W) OCT 30 2203 – Fair with man and woman in French. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 1215 **KALININGRAD** *VOR Bolshakovo* OCT 30 2207-2208 – Good rising up and way over Absolute Radio with ID by woman, "And that's the end of the news from The Voice of Russia World Service," followed by second woman with, "The Voice of Russia World Service will present News and Views." Previously heard but first time in English. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Absolute Radio* synchros OCT 30 2205 – Fair with "Roxanne" by The Police; over *VOR*. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 1467 **FRANCE** *TWR Roumoules* (43°47'N 6°09'E) NOV 12 2301 – Fair; opening of English program with an inspirational vocal. [Conti-NH]



1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** BSKSA Duba (27°20'N 35°45'E) OCT 23 2217 – Fair with Arabic teletalk parallel to 9555 and 9870 kHz. [DeLorenzo-MA]

### Pan-American DX

- 550 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites NOV 7 0130 – In a mix with WDEV, WGR, and het from 549 Algeria; Spanish urban contemporary parallel 5025 kHz. [Conti-RI]
- 550 **VENEZUELA** YVKE Caracas (10°32'N 66°55'W) NOV 7 0140 – Llanera music; trading places with *R.Rebelde* in the mix with WDEV and WGR. [Conti-RI]
- 690 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Jovellanos (22°49'N 81°10'W) NOV 7 0050 – Excellent; "...en la onda de la alegría, la habana," then salsa music with time check. At 0300 heard the familiar ID set to the Isao Tomita "Snowflakes Are Dancing" instrumental into the Ritmo music program. [Conti-NH]
- 810 **MEXICO** unID NOV 6 1142 – Presumed sign-on with vocal anthem, being the odd time, but bubbled under before any ID. NOV 7 1133 – Ranchera vocals; poor, if the same station. [Krueger-FL]
- 939.88 **MEXICO** XEQ Iztapalapa, México (19°19'N 99°05'W) NOV 12 0333 – Lots of ads mentioning Distrito Federale, Bésame ID, off-frequency and putting a loud growl on the channel. [Yocis-WV]
- 1210 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, unknown site NOV 1 2332 – Nearly local level after WPHT Philadelphia fading out on sunset, but also *R.Sancti Spiritus* co-channel. Rebelde going into "La Mesa Redonda" program feed with *R.Habana Cuba* mentions, and indeed parallel RHC 6000, 9640, and Rebelde 5025 kHz. Bearings on the RDF place this east of the town of Sancti Spiritus. [Krueger-FL]
- 1540 **BAHAMAS** ZNS1 Nassau (25°00'N 77°21'W) NOV 4 2336 – Female cosmetic skin care talk with male host, Bahamian accents, mention of Princess Margaret Hospital. "Joining Hands For Health" was the show. "AM 1540, Zed Nes One... right here on the Bahamas Radio Network, it's now 8 p.m." into urban and soca/junkanoo vocals. By 2355, a weak het from 1539, presumably VOA from al-Dhabbiya, UAE. NOV 6 1103 – Tune-in, female at 1105 with ID and Tropical Storm Tomas advisory. Excellent. [Krueger-FL]
- 1550 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, unknown site NOV 6 1135 – Fair-poor, mixing with WRHC Coral Gables and WAMA Tampa (both Spanish format). [Krueger-FL]
- 1620 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, two stations, unknown sites NOV 6 1140 – Strong but slight delay with annoying echo. [Krueger-FL] *See International News.*

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### **International News**

**CUBA:** From Radiocuba 2009 list, two transmitters on 1620 kHz. One in Guantánamo serving *R.Rebelde* with 1 kW. Another in Guanabacoa (Cd. de la Habana) with 5 kW but labeled "Radio Cadena Habana." Obviously both working for *R.Rebelde* now. [Mauricio Molano, *ARC Central American News Desk*]

**FINLAND:** The first ever purpose-built DXpedition base in Finland was constructed earlier this year, tested by us in October, and found to be excellent. A spartan cabin in Aihkiniemi, the middle of nowhere, is equipped with nine Beverage antennas, each almost a kilometer in length. A bunch of New Zealand AM stations and a 10-watt highway advisory station from Alaska were among the highlights heard in Aihkiniemi. Read more at [www.dxing.info/dxpeditions](http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditions). [Mika Makelainen, *mwdx*]

**NETHERLANDS:** 1395 *The Big L* off the air. The old generator cannot be repaired, so we send it on vacation. After all these years of hard working it ended for our 'Green Genny' under the Big L mast in Lake IJsselmeer. We will install a brand new generator! The Big L will soon return on 1395, that's a promise! Our volunteers are ready for a return of The Mighty 1395, keeping the night alive on 1395! [www.1395.eu]



73 and Good DX!

## College Sports Nets

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### Network listings for college sports play-by-play coverage

For this column, we run down to the bottom of the alphabet with schools starting with W and X. Stations listed are for football and men's basketball unless otherwise noted. Flagship stations are underlined. (F- Football; BK – Men's basketball; WBK – Women's basketball; H – Hockey).

#### WAKE FOREST DEMON DEACONS, Winston Salem NC, Atlantic Coast Conference

1250	WBRM-NC (BK)	1440	WLXN-NC	1490	WRMT-NC (F)	98.1	<u>WBRF-VA</u>
1350	WZGM-NC	1450	WGNC-NC	96.7	WKRX-NC	101.1	WZTK-NC

#### WASHINGTON HUSKIES, Seattle WA, Pac-10

560	KPQ-WA	1150	KKNW-WA	1420	KUJ-WA	1470	KELA-WA
630	KJNO-AK (F)	1170	KPUG-WA	1430	KBRC-WA	1490	KBIS-WA (F)
680	KOMW-WA (F)	1280	KPTQ-WA (F)	1450	KONP-WA		KWOK-WA (F)
950	<u>KJR-WA</u>	1340	KTCT-WA	1460	KUTI-WA		KLOG-WA

#### WASHINGTON STATE COUGARS, Pullman WA, Pac-10

610	KONA-WA	1150	<u>KOOO-WA</u>	1300	KKOL-WA	1450	KCLX-WA
660	KAPS-WA		(F, BK, WBK)	1320	KXRO-WA (F)	1470	KBSN-WA
850	KHHO-WA	1170	KPUG-WA		KGDC-WA	92.7	KNCW-WA (F)
880	KIXI-WA (F)	1240	KCVL-WA	1330	KKPZ-OR	98.5	KEYG-WA (F)
900	KKRT-WA		KGY-WA (F)	1380	KRKO-WA	104.3	KMNT-WA
920	KXLY-WA	1270	KBAM-WA	1430	KCLK-WA		

#### WEBER STATE WILDCATS, Ogden UT, Big Sky Conference

1430 KLO-UT



#### WESLEY WOLVERINES, Dover DE, Atlantic Central Football Conference

1150 WDEL-DE (F)

#### WEST VIRGINIA MOUNTAINEERS, Morgantown WV, Big East Conference (F)

580	WCHS-WV	1370	WVMR-WV	92.7	WVJO-WV	101.7	WELD-WV
600	WVAR-WV	1390	WKLP-WV	92.9	WDHC-WV	101.9	WVOW-WV
630	WJAW-WV	1400	WRON-WV		WCWV-WV		WVAQ-WV
690	WELD-WV		WVRC-WV	94.1	WQZK-WV	102.9	WELC-WA
800	WVHU-WV	1430	WEIR-WV	94.3	WRLF-WV	103.1	WRON-WV
970	WBGG-PA	1440	WAJR-WV	95.9	WICL-MD		WHBR-WV
1050	WADC-WV	1490	WTCS-WV	97.1	WDBS-WV	103.3	WAJR-WV
1150	WELC-WV		WAEY-WV	98.3	WCEF-WV	103.9	WETZ-WV
1170	WWVA-WV		WSGB-WV	99.9	WVAF-WV	104.5	WHAJ-WV
1240	WDNE-WV	1560	WFSP-WV	100.5	WDYK-WV	104.7	WVRC-WV
1290	WVOW-WV	89.7	WVLS-VA	100.7	WVBD-WV	107.1	WCHG-VA
1330	WETZ-WV	92.5	WZAC-WV	101.3	WBRB-WV	107.7	WFSP-WV
1340	WEPM-WV						

WESTERN MICHIGAN BRONCOS, Kalamazoo MI, Mid-America Conference

1360 WKMI-MI	1660 <u>WQLR-MI</u>	94.1 WVIC-MI	100.1 WBCH-MI (F, H)
1450 WHTC-MI	(WBK)	96.1 WMAX-MI	100.9 WQXC-MI
1590 WTVB-MI	92.1 WQTX-MI	96.5 <u>WKZO-MI</u>	
	92.5 WZUU-MI	(F, BK, H)	

SOLID GOLD SOUL



WILLIAM AND MARY TRIBE, Williamsburg VA, Colonial Athletic Conference

1450 WCLM-VA (F)	92.3 <u>WTYD-VA</u>	107.9 WBQK-VA (F)
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WISCONSIN BADGERS, Madison WI, Big Ten Conference

540 WAUK-WI	1230 WCLO-WI	1430 WBEV-WI	96.1 WLKG-WI
550 WSAU-WI	1240 WOMT-WI	1450 KFIZ-WI	97.1 WCOV-WI
570 WMAM-WI	WOBT-WI	WDLB-WI	99.3 WKEB-WI
590 WJMS-MI	WJMC-WI	WRCO-WI	99.7 WIMI-MI
620 WTMJ-WI	1260 WXCE-WI	1490 WIGM-WI	WWIS-WI
660 WBHR-MN	1280 WGLR-WI	1550 WEVR-WI	99.9 WSAU-WI
710 WDSM-WI	1290 WKLJ-WI	1570 WLKD-WI	100.7 WBIZ-WI
800 WDUX-WI	1310 WIBA-WI (& H)	1590 WPVL-WI	100.9 WRCO-WI
810 WDMP-WI	1320 WFHR-WI	1600 WRPN-WI	101.5 WIBA-WI
900 WATK-WI	1330 WHBL-WI	92.3 WRLS-WI	102.3 W272AY-WI
910 WDOR-WI	1340 WLDY-WI	WOSQ-WI	102.7 KQEG-MN
940 WFAW-WI	1360 WVRQ-WI	92.7 WDUX-WI	106.1 WDKM-WI
960 WTCH-WI	1390 WRIG-WI	93.9 WDOR-WI	WACD-WI
980 WPRE-WI	1400 WBIZ-WI	94.3 WQPC-WI	106.3 WEVR-WI
1050 WLIP-WI	WDUZ-WI	95.3 WXRO-WI	107.5 WDUZ-WI
1100 WISS-WI	WRJN-WI	95.9 WMQA-WI	
1150 WHBY-WI	WRDB-WI		



WISCONSIN-GREEN BAY PHOENIX (BK)

1400 WDUZ-WI	107.5 WDUZ-WI
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WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE PANTHERS, Milwaukee WI (BK)

920 WOKY-WI
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WRIGHT STATE RAIDERS, Dayton, Ohio (BK)

980 WONE-OH	1340 WIZE-OH
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WYOMING COWBOYS, Laramie WY, Mountain West Conference

940 KMER-WY	1270 KIML-WY	KBBS-WY	96.5 KQSW-WY
1030 KTWO-WY	1290 KOWB-WY	1470 KKTY-WY	97.9 KTAG-WY
1240 KFBC-WY	1330 KOVE-WY	1490 KUGR-WY	98.3 KERM-WY
KEVA-WY	1340 KYCN-WY	87.7 KXDP-LP-CO	99.3 KTGA-WY
KASL-WY	KWOR-WY	93.3 KJAX-WY	99.7 KSIT-WY
KRAL-WY	1410 KWYO-WY	93.9 KTAK-WY	101.7 KDNO-WY
1260 KPOW-WY	1450 KBFS-SD	95.1 KCGY-WY	103.1 KYDT-WY
			107.3 KAOX-WY

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# The NRC Contest

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**Enter today and win!**

Here is the 2010-11 contest report, with loggings through October 31, 2010. I was hoping for more participation than we've got so consider throwing your name in the hat for one of the contest!

## Ultra-Light Cumulative Points Contest

Contester	Location	Loggings	Points
Ron Bailey	Marion, NC	200	411
J Paul Kavan	Tampa, FL	24	51
Russell Curry	Eugene, OR	15	35

## Unlimited Cumulative Points Contest

Contester	Location	Loggings	Points
Richard Lauhead	St Paul, MN	193	410
Wayne Heinen	Aurora, CO	137	373
David B Jones	Nashville, TN	18	41
John R Malicky	Pittsburgh, PA	10	22



## Ultra-Light Cumulative Mileage Contest

Contester	Location	Loggings	Total Miles
Ron Bailey	Marion, NC	200	57,395
J Paul Kavan	Tampa, FL	24	10,503
Russell Curry	Eugene, OR	15	7,866

## Unlimited Cumulative Mileage Contest

Contester	Location	Loggings	Total Miles
Wayne Heinen	Aurora, CO	137	87,848
Richard Lauhead	St Paul, MN	193	82,104
David B Jones	Nashville, TN	18	6,429
John R Malicky	Pittsburgh, PA	10	3,218



## Contestants

Contester	Location	Class	Receiver
Ron Bailey	Marion, NC	Ultra-Light	Sony SRF-39FP
Russell Curry	Eugene, OR	Ultra-Light	Tecsun PL-310
Wayne Heinen	Aurora, CO	Unlimited	Drake R8B
David B Jones	Nashville, TN	Unlimited	Drake R8B
J Paul Kavan	Tampa, FL	Ultra-Light	Sony SRF-59
Richard Lauhead	St Paul, MN	Unlimited	Sony ICF-SW7600GR
John R Malicky	Pittsburgh, PA	Unlimited	

The *Cumulative Logging* contest includes all stations heard in the United States, Canada, Mexico, and the Caribbean. Points are 1 point for clear channels and split frequencies; 2 points for expanded band channels, 3 points for regional channels, and 5 points for graveyard channels. The *Cumulative Mileage* contest includes all stations in the MW band regardless of location.

In all cases, you must hear the station call letters (or, for non-U.S. stations, a universally recognized station slogan) to claim a logging.

More rules and prizes are described in detail in the September 27 issue (77-30). Entries with stations heard in November must arrive at the Contest Manager's address by December 5. It's not too late to enter, and the leader at the end of December wins a prize – so don't hesitate to sign up!

## Networks

EWTN CATHOLIC RADIO NETWORK <a href="http://www.ewtn.com/radio/amfm.htm">http://www.ewtn.com/radio/amfm.htm</a> (Nov. 13, 2010)							
740	WNOP-KY	1370	KWTL-ND	89.7	WNOC-OH	95.3	W237DA-MI
750	WQOR-PA	1380	WMJR-KY		KJMA-TX		K237EQ-NM
790	WRMS-IL		WPYR-LA	89.9	WMTB-FM-MD	95.5	WWMD-LP-WI
810	WQIZ-SC	1400	KIHH-CA		K210BX-TX	95.7	KFAS-LP-MT
910	KATH-TX	1410	WNGL-AL	90.1	KBKC-MO	95.9	WOLG-IL
920	WDMC-FL		WIHM-IL	90.7	KMBM-MT	96.5	KDUA-LP-AR
	KIHM-NV	1420	WCOJ-PA	90.9	WTCK-MI	96.7	KCRM-LP-IA
940	WIDG-MI	1440	WMAX-MI	91.1	K216DI-ND	96.9	W245AT-IL
970	KFEL-CO	1450	WLYV-IN		K216DO-TX	97.1	W246BL-IL
	KTTO-WA	1460	WQOP-FL	91.3	K217CM-NM		KSMR-LP-MT
990	WDEO-MI		KHOJ-MO		KBKN-TX	98.3	KCDM-LP-IA
1010	WCKW-LA		WHIC-NY		WSJE-WV		KDME-LP-IA
	KIHU-UT	1480	WQOH-AL	91.5	KJWM-NE		K252EG-NE
1040	WLCR-KY	1570	KPIO-CO		K218CM-TX	98.5	WDEO-FM-FL
1050	KJPG-CA		WISP-PA	91.7	K219DR-NM		KQOV-LP-MT
	KBLE-WA	1580	WHLY-IN		K219CX-OK	98.7	WHMG-LP-WV
1060	WQOM-MA		WVKO-OH		K219DJ-TX	98.9	W201DH-IL
	WILB-OH	1600	WZNZ-FL	91.9	WHOJ-IN		K255AU-NM
1080	WRYT-IL	1620	KSMH-CA		WHVM-NY	99.1	K256AC-OR
1090	KEXS-MO			92.1	W221BX-IL	99.9	K260AR-NM
1140	KGEM-ID	88.1	WSOG-IL		W221CA-MI	100.1	WJPP-LP-FL
1150	KWKY-IA		KFHC-NE	92.7	K224DA-CA	100.5	W263BM-IL
	KLPF-TX	88.3	KBVM-OR		W224BJ-IL	100.7	KXXQ-NM
1160	WMET-MD	88.5	KEDC-TX		KOUR-LP-IA		KHHS-OR
1190	WVUS-WV		KBMD-TX		K224CA-NV		KOLF-LP-TX
1230	KWG-CA	88.7	WEUC-KY		KYRE-LP-TX	101.1	KPJN-LP-AR
	WDWR-FL		K204DB-NM	93.1	W226AZ-IL	101.7	WLOF-NY
1240	KJOP-CA	88.9	W205BG-IL	93.3	K227AW-CA	102.1	KODC-LP-KS
1250	KHOT-CA		K205EV-NM	93.5	W228BZ-IL	102.5	KPIA-LP-TX
1260	KSFB-CA		WJTA-OH		WSPP-LP-KY	102.7	KVSS-NE
	WFJS-NJ	89.1	WSPM-IN	93.7	KPIO-FM-KS	103.1	KYMJ-LP-IA
1280	KVXR-MN		KHJM-MO	93.9	K230AW-NM	104.5	K283AQ-NM
1300	WCKI-SC	89.3	KPJP-CA	94.1	K231BB-NM	105.3	KTDC-LP-IA
1310	KIHP-AZ		K207BY-NE	94.3	WPMJ-IL	106.1	KEXS-FM-MO
1330	WCVC-FL	89.5	WNOP-FM-IN		KSHY-LP-OR	106.7	WXTP-ME
1360	KAHS-KS		WFOT-OH	94.7	W234AO-IL		K294BE-MO
	KDJW-TX					107.7	WIMM-LP-KY

RANDI RHODES <a href="http://www.therandirhodesshow.com/pages/affiliates.html">http://www.therandirhodesshow.com/pages/affiliates.html</a> (Nov. 13, 2010)							
540	KRXA-CA	1230	WBZT-FL	1340	KTOX-CA	1470	WNYY-NY
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760	KKZN-CO		WOIC-SC		KVOT-NM	1520	WWKB-NY
930	KBAI-WA	1240	WHMQ-MA		KBBR-OR	1600	WHNP-MA
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# NATIONAL RADIO CLUB/WORLD TV FM DX ASSOCIATION

## Joint Convention August 26-29, 2010

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### "WXXI and Conditional Access"

Following "1370 Connection", we continued the tour of WXXI as we first met Ruth Phinney, Program Director for 91.5, "Reachout Radio," and who introduced us to "Conditional Access," a new and special project. As one of three test cities in the country, Rochester and WXXI have been given clearance to test the reception of a HD3 "talking radio" built by Dyce Electronics. WXXI started transmission last week to 40 locally chosen visually impaired citizens to use these receivers. Still a work in progress, so far as the only receiver 'off the shelf,' it also can help the impaired set the time and station. WXXI hopes they're moving in the right direction for this access. Another proud feature we found winding down their show was the 'most beautiful sound in town' of WXXI's signal from an HD2 receiver. Before 'signing off' this visit, we also meet WXXI's Kent Hatfield, Vice President of Technology and Operations and for the second time, Nolan Stephany, Engineering Supervisor who led tours of Master Control for all functions of TV and radio from the console area of the control mechanisms, the screen wall, the monitor of video broadcasting to the work stations for inserting modern media data into broadcast productions. Also with a tour of the TV Center's Studio C, we said 'c' you later thanking the staff of WXXI for 'connecting' us!

### "A Close Encounter of Five Kinds at the Towers of Power"

From 2004 and WTFDA's visit in 2003, we return again to Rochester's Pinnacle Hill and the five tower TV/FM array. A few miles southeast of the city 748 feet above terrain in Brighton are three impressive transmission towers for Rochester's five TV stations and two towers for FM stations. The first encounter is the former Stromberg-Carlson 61 year old two story brick transmitter building for WROC TV 8 which contains an Aerodyne transmitter with model name Quantum QXD1. Adjacent to the building is Tower #1 for which the top antenna, before the digital switch, was shared by analog TV 8 and WHEC TV 10 has now just RF 10. Below this is a back mounted antenna, a temporary tower for WHEC DT 58 while mounted on the left side is the WROC RF channel 45 directional antenna. For years since 1962 and ending with the digital switch, a combiner for TV's 8 and 10 was installed at the base of Tower \*1 feeding both signals to a shared channel 9 batwing antenna at the top. The next encounter nearby is the 30 year old 'goalpost' Tower #2(similiar to Pittsburgh's WQED TV 13/WQEX TV) that was used for analog WXXI TV 21 and WUHF TV 31. As those posts and supporting bar will soon be removed, a new antenna will be mounted on top for WXXI RF 16 as currently on the back is the RF 16 antenna. As for radio, mounted near the top on the side is WXXI-91.5's 6.bay antenna with 91.5 HD 2 bays off the line, mounted lower and two years removed from atop the Hyatt Hotel downtown is WRUR-88.5's 3 bay antenna, and mounted a little lower on the right side is a one bay WYSL-92.1 (W221CL) translator. Our third encounter on the left is the 48 year old former WOKR TV 13 Tower \*3 that since 2005 is WHAM RF 13. The forth encounter is the 320 foot seven year old American Tower behind the first three that belongs to WUHF TV 31/RF 28 with the four year old side mounted antennas for WCMF-96.5 and WPXY-97.9 and their Harris FM transmitters using a Shively combiner feeding the tower. Built by Pinnacle Hill Associates, in 1987 at 200 feet and behind the first four self supporting towers is our fifth encounter, or tower number five, that has the former WAQB, now WINE-94.1 "The Zone" that's one third of the local Stephens Media, WFKL "Fickle 93.3 and WRMM "Warm 101.3, and the soon to be mounted antenna of WKGS-106.7. 'Cha-cha-cha-changes' also occuring below tower #3 in a little ravine will soon be the removal of TV 31rs analog transmitter building. Also, since 2004, not at this site and for the land's greater value, WHIC-1460's three self supporting towers formerly on South Winton Road were removed and replaced with three 'skinny' guyed towers in Henrietta, NY with the studios relocating to Buffalo and relaying Attica, New York's WLOF-101.7. With the dealings from 'Scotttrade', we thank Chief Engineers' John Cunliffe (WUHF), Joe Fleming (WCMF, WPXY), Eric Melenbacker (WROC), and Engineer Nolan Stephany (WXXI) for all of these 'close encounters'!



### "Have A Holley, Jolly Cookout"

Following our pizza party in 2004, this time nearing WICC eastern daylight hours, we've relocated to Holley, NY and the home of 43 year member Jim Renfrew who's since relocated from Byron, NY! About an hour west of Rochester, we 'received' a picturesque scene for group photos and a listener's dream for Jim's Heathkit and Drake R8B receivers amongst the trees and beverages, longwires and liquids. Once on the news staff of WRCU-90.1 and a 1976 graduate of Colgate University in Hamilton, NY, Jim continually 'brushes up' on administrative duties as the 27 year minister of his Presbyterian Church in Bryon. Also as the former IDXD (International DX Digest) Editor with seven countries heard, Jim's international listening also extends to FM and TV with an eighty plus percent QSL return rate. Always good for his return rate and hoping to 'cook out' some good DX tests for fall and winter, NRC/IRCA (west coast based International Radio Club of



Robin, Jim, Saul, and Ivanka with the spread at the Renfrews'.

America) Test Coordinator Saul Chernos channels his duties tonight just to food preparation! A classic feast, fit for a station in Seattle, "Classical 98.1 KING; serving us joyfully, not like a station in Lebanon, Indiana, "RadioMom"/ac 91.1 WIRE, is friend Ivanka, Jim's wife Robin, and young Emily! Keeping things at AM 590, WARM, it's Jim's "Friday Night Warm Up Quiz" which was WONN, AM 1230 Lakeland FL, by another Jim, Mr. Pizzi of Palmyra, NY who once jacked at WSAY and was a cameraman for WXXI TV. Like our

snacks, here's some "Jeopardy" themed sample questions! Of names, "Eli, Eana, and Elieanna", "What DXing nickname would go well with Scott's son, Greg Coniglio's daughter, and Jim Renfrew's granddaughter? - E-Skip!" A term for long distance FM reception. Next, "Big Sky Country and 26.2 miles." Question, "What is KOFI Kalispell, Montana and VOA Marathon, Florida?" The answer, "What two US stations on 1180 were once WHAM's only competition at night." Question, "What is WHEN 620 Syracuse and a peace protest?" The answer, "Which station first interviewed Jim on the air and for what in 1967." Question, "What is WASB-1590 (Brockport), WDCX-990, and WHAM-1180?" The answer, "What AM tower sites are closest to Jim's home." And finally under a starry sky, here's a member Jerry Starr "Starnack" question, "Thank you Mr. Renfrew, a fondue, and a fond adieu?" Answer, "Name our host and kind comment, an appetizer, and a departing message!"

### "A Fourmost Seminar"

At the Brookwood on Day Three, Saturday morning August 28, Rochester 2010 served us with an optional entrée at WBEN hours, the "DX Workshops" conducted by an 'all star' lineup of members from both clubs. Leading off at first, Neil Kazaross, an expert of antenna construction, diagnosed a variety of longwave, pennant, and loop antenna configurations for AM reception while briefly explaining FM antennas as well. Sliding into second, John Johnson showed a 40 years worth of slides of the western US TV stations he has visited beginning from channel 2 up into UHF and also had radio slides, but had to conclude his 'broadcast' day. Now with a 'public service announcement' for 'KSTD' or as Senior Technical Director, "jjohnson@ktvq.com," John has worked at the 56 year old KTVQ TV 2 (ex KOOK TV) in Billings, Montana for 38 years, was a charter member of the IRCA in 1961, 'presided' over their 1963 Denver convention, and became an NRC member and husband to wife Nancy in 1996! Buffalo, NY native and an IRCA and 40 year NRC member, Nancy worked at KWOK (exKGGH) 1490 and KBRW-1450 Aberdeen/Hoquian, Washington. Experts in radio, TV, DX, Genealogy, and Friendliness, their web address is "www.johninmontana.com." Third up from the Doug 'out', Mr. Smith was a fine 'speaker in the house' presenting a broadcaster's-eye view of the digital TV transition including what took place behind the scenes, why the 'virtual channel' system was implemented, and what's happening now with the push for increased power levels. 'Treasuring' these talks and 'cleaning up' this morning was Chris Black who demonstrated the Perseus software-based radio, showing how a featureless box connected to a computer can become a phenomenally versatile medium/shortwave receiver. Combined with a computer, the Perseus can capture the entire medium-wave band, allowing a DXer to literally "record the radio frequency spectrum" and 'paint it black' or play it back later, just as if he is tuning around 'live.' The files can

also be sent to other DXers while Chris can be home on Cape Cod and 'tune' a recording that might have come from Vancouver Island or New Zealand. Why it's become 21st century DXing! Residing in South Yarmouth, MA, Chris also has hosted a few DX GTGs 'Get ToGethers' around Thanksgiving following those that were held for over 20 years at Ray Arruda's "Lower Deck", a basement designed to resemble a ship! Before we go 'aweigh,' with Neil as a fine representative for the club, we cast a 'yes' vote for all these CJND(Chris/John/Neil/Doug) Speakers!

#### "The Days of Wine and Roses"

At WTAM hours, for a Family Tour and more, coordinator Lisa Fybush along with Lina Jones with daughters Ariel/Lendsi respectively received a different beverage at "The Big House," unlike the University of Michigan's football stadium, the Casa Larga (large) Winery a few 'strawberry fields' north of the inn at 2287 Turk Hill Road in Fairport, WY "[www.casalarga.com](http://www.casalarga.com)." "Oh Rochester, could you please bring some of that fine wine when in the early 1970s Andrew Colaruotolo acquired a 45 acreage that now grows 14 styles of grapes to produce 20 different wines." "Yes sir Mr. B, Mr. C., reminded as a youth in Italy how his family made wine, would enjoy that you have some which was first released in 1974 here, upon his family's urging, entering his first bottle in the New York State Fair." "And Mr. Benny, did you know that this acreage, halfway between Canandaigua Lake and Lake Ontario, is on soil of an Ontario sandy loam that's an ideal place to grow grapes for two reasons. First, it's one of the highest points in the county that contributes to a well draining soil keeping the roots nice and dry and second, there's a nice breeze to keep the foilage dry." "Also Boss, grapes and berries thrive with less water because it makes the juices inside more concentrated, so if they're lacking water, there will be more flavor compounds. Another noticeable difference will be a higher alcohol content because of the increase in sugar levels that occurs with greater amounts of sunshine."

#### "A Taste of the Good Life"

"But Rochester, how is this delicious wine made?" "Well Mr. Benny, this approximately 12 step process begins in mid September when the grapes, tart and thick skinned unlike table grapes, are harvested by machine paddles gently shaking/slapping them, while straddling each row of vines, into large bins. Also, to keep birds and crows from eating them,-the 'Michigan Wolverine' fight song is played! Bye, bye, birdie! Once inside the building, the grapes are unloaded into large vats or storage tanks." "What Rochester, then they're stomped on?" "No Mr. Benny, next they are placed in a Stemmer/Crusher machine which destems the grapes after the initial crushing, then they are placed into a bladder press where a huge balloon, contracting and expanding, further crushes them. It is at this process, that for white wines the grapes go directly to the bladder press while for red wines those grapes go into a fiberglass bin first, then to the press. In this fiberglass bin, the juices, red, blue/black, and purple, are left to sit longer soaking up more color. Also, the health benefits of red wine is from the skin of the grape, not the juice. From there, each tank or bin has a spicket releasing the grape juices, with holes in the floor, through connecting hoses into fermentation tanks downstairs, a pretty cool place, literally. Next, the two wine makers that are employed here let the juice stay in these tanks for four to six weeks." "Well Rochester, can I drink the wine now?" "Oh no Mr. Benny, the next step is a chemical process beginning with the addition of French yeast that forms with the juice and natural sugars to form alcohol. For the driest of wines, the yeast is left to fully combine with the sugars until there is no sugars remaining. For sweeter to dryer wines, the makers vary the amount of yeast remaining and combining with the sugars, then adds a small amount of sulphur dioxide which stops the fermentation process leaving whatever sugar in the juice. The next step and not like a present is 'wrapping the wine.' This begins with the removal of wine/juice sediment or 'lees', the spent yeast and separating or 'wrapping' it from the juice by pumping the juice from tank to tank up to 5 times to officially become, 'the ESPN Sports station you hear on 940 khz in Brookfield, Connecticut,' WINE! Next is the home for wines, the aging process where the majority of reds are aged in stainless steel tanks for fruitier sweeter tastes while whites are left in oak casks for less sweeter tastes. From here, the wines are pumped into 255 gallon oak casks as generally the first six inches of the wine will soak 1/8th inch into the oak. For taste, the wine maker removes a waxy cup on top and at his discretion this determines how long to age the wine from 4 months to 1 1/2 years. As all the wine making equipment comes from Italy, most casks are imported also as each would imply for different tastes. The casks from France reflect an elegant taste, Eastern European like Hungary and Yugoslavia or of that area reflect a spicier taste, while American have a harsher taste. Of course at no time is air allowed into the formation or the bottling that otherwise you'd have 255 gallons of red wine thinner!" "Oh really Rochester, but is there anything else?"

"Well Mr. Benny, in the final process, a hose is connected to the casks or barrels, the wine drained into jugs, then pumped into bottles along with a filtration process, CO<sub>2</sub>/carbon dioxide is inserted to seal out air, then they're corked, foil wrapped, labeled, and stored, tilted, to further keep out air. The



wine as a finished product generally takes about four years to be made while the year of the wine is the time when the grapes are harvested. Currently, Casa Larga is a medium to medium/large New York winery producing 26,000 cases a year. Generally, white and red wines respectively are bottled in dark inverted bottom ones or clear flat bottom ones. The different wines, merlot, cabernet, and Chardonnay refer to the grapes while wines like tapestry and Lilac Hill are not grapes, but invented names. Champagne takes the process even further, up to 6 years, as a second helping of yeast is added, the wine is raked, a riddling rack, as the lees is flash frozen into a powder, immediately popped, quickly sealed, sent to a mixer, wire aged/coiled, and stored." "And Mr. Benny, at Casa Larga, they even let us sample six varieties of wine, four whites, 'tre Blanc, CLV Chardonnay, Lilac Hill, Bianco, and two reds, Tapestry and a 2006 Pinot Noir. Plus, as you might know, white wines are served with fish or any lighter colored foods while reds served with meats and dark foods. A 'rose by any other name,' we thanked Mary our Tour Guide for this taste of 'la dolce vita,' the good life!" "Now Boss, do you want some wine for dinner with the salmon and rice I'm making?" "No Rochester, I'll just have some milk and cookies, chao everyone!"

### "Do You Hear What I Hear?"

Following a break, a fast one, lunch or otherwise, our visit, a visual and aural spectacle, at KQV hours, was a return trip since 2004 to the Antique Wireless Association (AWA) Electronic Communication Museum on routes 5 and 20, 2 South Avenue, in Bloomfield, NY. At "www.antiquewireless.org," their wireless station is call sign "2AN." Located 20 miles south of Rochester, they share space with the East Bloomfield Historical Society in a three story 176 year old building that's listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Here for 35 years occupying two floors and limited to about 2,200 square feet, the AWA, founded in 1952, will move next year, their fourth overall, one mile east to an established three building complex.

### "A, B, C, It's Easy As One, Two, Three"

For the AWA, this complex will have Building #1, at nearly 10,000 square feet and formally an antiques mall, that will house all exhibits and collections. Building #2 will become a storage area that already has five bays on the first floor and will have a media center, books, magazines, films, etc., on the second floor along with a meeting room, all at 3600 square feet. Building #3, at nearly 5,000 square feet, will have a machine and woodworking area for exhibit construction and house artifacts and exhibits not on display brought over from the Annex Building nearby that was sold to East Bloomfield Township. Once known as the Academy Building and a boarding school for youths, climbing the stairs to the second and third floor displays at the current AWA Museum will also be a memory. For now, it is still a chance to see and experiences the displays of receivers, Atwater Kents, Philco, Stromberg-Carlson, and Western Electric to name a few, a tube tester, a 1949 WROC (WHAM) TV camera, radio tubes, televisions, a copy of "Radio News" from February 1923, posters including "Listen (to) The Voice of (Harvey) Firestone Every Monday Night over NBC WEA Coast to Coast Network," headphones and microphones, photographs, loop antennas, and a 1936 G.E. "22UB800" tube requiring 3,000 amps for the 500,000 watt signal of WLW! Nearby, a 1950 music band LP played the intro to "Guest Star" with host Rod O'Connor presented by the U.S. Treasury Dept. to purchase savings bonds through the payroll plans at work. Amazingly, during this writing, the USTD announced they're phasing out the printed version in 2011 and that bonds will only be available in electronic form online! Also, while this album was played, these 'jingles' were a reminder from similiar ones heard on a CD of WGY-810's broadcast of the 1960 Game 7 World Series between the Pirates and Yankees heard every October 13 at the old Forbes Field 'Wall.' The only difference is that's a reproduction with the AWA's recording an original. What's also original on the third floor, besides an eerie likeness of a Marconi ship station (1901-1907) and a United Wireless Telegraph



Company(1909) shore installation station, are the 90 year outlawed spark gap, quench gap, and rotary transmitters that when activated provide sparks and the accompanying loud noise. Providing a 'low spark of high heeled (toys)', we thank our hosts Robert Hopday (N2EVG) Deputy Director, Ronald Roach (W2FUI) Operations Manager, and newly 'annexed' NRC member, Roy Wildermuth (W2IT)Assistant Curator for a 'wired' display!

"You Are Not Just A Customer, You Are Our Special Guest"

At WIP hours, "bene", very good, and excellent would describe the cuisine and our buffet style Convention Dinner at Mario's Italian Restaurant ([www.mariosit.com](http://www.mariosit.com)), 2740 Monroe Avenue in Rochester. This headline is the slogan tagline heard on the air and printed on the back of the business cards from Owners Anthony J. and Danny J. Daniele. Outside Ballroom B for the dinner, the restaurant's exterior almost reminds one of Italy with a large white stone facade, terra cotta roofs including a large front entrance one, a few mini-statues on the exterior, and an ornate female fountain maid in the parking area. Our special guest and 2010 Convention Speaker, WXXI's Mr. Bob Smith could also use this slogan for his show and listeners. "Truly one of us," with a warm and easy mannered style and each show developed like a story, Mr. Smith said his broadcast career would be shaped by "Brother Wease," and national talk hosts like Larry King and the late Tom Synder. That radio, broadcasting, and the history would be so very important helped when it would create a highlight just before the fall of the Iron Curtain in 1989 the interview of Radio Moscow's Vladimir Posnar in Russia and relaying this 'live' to listeners in Rochester!. From when 80% of listeners in 1970 tuned to AM where now broadcasting is becoming more 'narrowcasted' and technology, internet, and satellite more prevalent, it is Bob's goal and others to make radio more compelling, listenable, and "giving you the content you want." Also, as most local TV stations have programmed to make their news have a more "local and informed" feel that this model can, "teach us in radio how to do it better." And 'nobody does it better' for example than Classic Hits WCBS-FM 101.1 who, "took the axe to its harddrive," brought back their local personalities and went from #22 to #2 (Arbitron 5.7 share March 2010) challenging #1 "LiteFM 106.7" WLTW (7.7 share). A local example is "Legends 102.7" WLGZ who's now #5 after switching from an automated religious format (an upcoming story) to 'live and local' "ClassicHits." While it's probable Rochester will soon have a full time Hispanic station, it is important that WXXI and WHAM, "who have two complete news operations in Rochester compels them to do well enough so that combined they are the most listened to stations in a 6-county market." To be 'or not to be,' "local and supersizing your community makes you successful." 'With a 21 Gun WXYT Salute', we thank Bob Smith whose moral of the story, "is returning to what drew us into broadcasting towards the future, we will 'live long and prosper' and 30 years from now, all of you who love radio will still have plenty to talk about at NRC(WTFDA)!" For a transcript, please send \$21 to Mr. Smith!

"There's No Business Like Club Business"

Around WEEU hours, we've 'come together' for a joint Meeting of the Room and NRC Business at the Brookwood Inn. Instantly, reporting as Board of Director Chairman, Wayne Heinen first said



Paul Swearingen (right) accepts the 2010 Annual Member Recognition Plaque from Wayne Heinen on behalf of Shawn Axelrod.

that longtime club Treasurer Dick Truax is recovering well, feeling better than in the past twenty years following a quadruple bypass after a heart attack. A BIG 73s Dick! Next, two increases, one good that of Dick and the NRC Treasury, the other not so good that of the impending USPS postage increase in January that hopefully won't affect subscription rates. Third, like \$20 worth of 'hotcakes', the 31st AM Radio Log is going, going, gone, like a Willie Mays homerun, sold out here at

Rochester. Fourth, also selling out is the DX News printer, Benjamin Printing, in

Watertown, NY, but fortunately the DXN and our sales rep were 'traded' to The Coughlin Printing Group for a distant listening 'DXer to be named later'! Fifth, while still looking for more members to

fill in for posts on the DXAS, 'solid like a rock' Audio Service Coordinator Fred Vobbe (W8HDU), VP/CE for WLIO TV 35 in Lima, Ohio (and host to NRC '87, 2000, 2002) was recognized for his new position as Director of Engineering, Broadcast Division for Block Communications, Inc. now overseeing nine TV stations! A most coordinated and vocal leader, Fred has become more involved with his local school music program announcing the band at the start and halftime football high school shows. 'Fight on, for USC, what could this mean, for WNRC?!' Sixth and 'U Stand Corrected' that it is the end for an amazing and dedicated 22 1/2 year/663 issue 'Barry Bonds like' homerun record, that may never be broken with no steroids, only coffee/tea breaks, for outgoing DX News Editor, and retired English teacher, Paul Swearingen! While Paul will administer e-DXN, accepting his new role as Editor in 'As the DXN Turns' is David Yocis of Shannondale/Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, "Roll On Mountaineer!" Seventh, a salute was given to regular DDXD contributor Kraig Krist of Manassas, VA who 'signed on' 1 1/2 year ago as PHP Expert. Eighth, acknowledgements were presented to all those involved, Bob Smolarek, 39 year member Harry Hayes, myself, Paul, and Wayne, for obtaining, sorting, transportation, and eventual scanning of our original and late member Kermit Geary's over 6,000 QSL and full from 1933 DX News collection. As pointed out that this scan could take "a hundred and twenty years" or in age, Wayne cried out, 'help, I need somebody, help, not just anybody, help!' Finally and helping our image is the club membership at 675 which is for the NRC, DXAS, and e-DXN, appreciation for the dinner at Mario's and the 2010 Committee and helpers, and our appreciation to Wayne and Joan Heinen and Buddy for ALL their work and being our 'doggone good buddies'!

#### "Gentlemen, Start Your Engines/It's Not KRAP, It's The NRC Auction"

Also for ladies and the WTFDA, following a station break, the always enjoyable, entertaining, and worthwhile club(s), NRC/WTFDA Auction commenced at, not weird, WURD hours. With honorable members Jim Renfrew and Paul Swearingen as auctioneers and 46 year member Jerry Bond as Recorder, the bidding was, well, it was there! With comments like, "does the radio work..oh come on it's (the) auction," to, "this radio has 5 bands, 5 bands, it's worth more than one with 4 bands!" Also that everything here, "you need to complete your audio/visual library," you never know for sure. Even if it wasn't a Westinghouse, we could be sure some good items like a Grundig antenna (\$36) and Sangean receiver (\$35) sold for a good price while a combination of a Weird Al Yankovic VHS tape/ Monty Python 2 DVD set/\$100 Las Vegas poker chip actually sold (\$15) for a decent price! Along with some WXXI items, "Remember When..Rochester Memories", a rare misprinted Friday August 28, 2010 "Connection" show cd, and some 'raiders of the closet' mugs, final proceeds were CCLV(\$255). This is 'WNYC the 2010 Convention Station now leaving the air. Tune in tomorrow as we bring you the best in club conventions.'

#### "KNOW Your Current Events/WHAT Is Your Answer?" (answers at the end)

At WIOO hours on Day Four, Sunday, August 29, 2010, as we QUIZZed member and author George Green of Akron, Ohio, he agreed that it's time for the 2010 DX edition! A 15 question quiz with 62 possible answers, our winner, Doug Smith, is from what city that has the Country Music Hall of Fame, with 36 correct answers edging, by one, Frank Merrill who's from which town that's home to Western Illinois University? The winner today must host next year's convention! Or the assignment to write the 2011 Quiz and a free membership to the club of his choice. Now a sampling of the questions. Match Game 2010 TV match-up: List the TV channel here in Rochester that used to be co-owned by stations on each of the following frequencies? 1180/1280/1460 (Bonus question not on the quiz: What are the current call letters of each local frequency? Some answers are in this story.) Know your Rochester radio! The major AM Top 40 station in Rochester at 950 had the calls? What frequency was used by the station in Rochester on 990 before it moved to 990? (Bonus question: What is 990 AM current call letters?) The actual city of license for the 106.7 here (and the call) here is? What were the calls of the station owned by Gordon Brown which is now known as WXXI? Finally, besides Scott's, what book has a final sale today, whose get-well cards will we sign, and what ham/radio term that means 'best regards' to departing members today? Answers starting with the headline: KNOW-91.1 Minneapolis/St. Paul, WHAT-1340 Philadelphia, Nashville, Macomb, Channels 13/6 8/10 10, WHAM/WHTK/WHIC, WBBF, 680, WDCX, Irondequoit, WKGS, WSAY, Bruce Elving's 2010 FM Atlas, Phil Bytheway of Seattle and Fred and Mary Jo Norquist of South Carolina, 73s!



### "Your Home in the Country-CJ Country"

Around WEBO hours, here's a 2010 Convention optional visit and question, if you were in western New York between Rochester and Buffalo, which station plays any country favorites-traditional, bluegrass, classic, and currents, signs off to protect WRVA, has a friendly staff, and has an open house visit today? Answer: WCJW-1140 Warsaw! Who will learn more than a group of four including Jerry Bond, Neil Kazaross, and Jim Pizzi as we arrive at the 37 year old 'classic' ranch home with a two tower directional array that is about an hour southwest of The Flower City and located off route 20A at 3258 Merchant Road. A good buy, WCJW signed on as a kilowatt daytimer in 1973 by former WJR-Detroit engineer John Weeks (WCJW) and after this 'initial' ownership was sold in 1984, the year of the Los Angeles Summer Olympics, to a 'gold medal' owner, Lloyd Lane.



At 2500 watts currently using a Harris Gates Two transmitter and an ITA phasing unit, there's also a 10kw Harris DX-10 transmitter 'on deck', all in the room behind the studios. With a permit to upgrade to 8000 watts, the DX-10 has a callsign "WP3XEN" which came from "The City of Brotherly Love" when it was used for testing by WPEN-950 before they went to 25kw daytime. About two years ago and spreading 'the love of 'CJ Country everywhere, three translators, W279BO 103.7 Warsaw/100.9

Nunda-Geneseo/105.5 Batavia, were added. Adding to the feel of the music are several signed photos of country stars along with a Nashville HOF dedication (5/17/01) in the hallway. As for "CJ Country", their hall of fame line-up includes Lloyd's show (with Steve) from 6-9 AM, "When Radio Was" and Tradio from 9-11, "The Classic Cafe" from 11-2 PM, and PD/Music Director Lee Richey's "Afternoon Drive" from 2-6. Along with Fox and local, there's high school sports, Blair Garner's "After Midnight" for 5 hours, and MRN's (Motor Racing Network) NASCAR on "Western New York's Racin' Station." Also here weeknights 6-10 hosting a "Classic Country" request show and weekends is an enthusiastic five year personality Corey Wolcott who now listens for the 30 second satellite cues and countdown at 2 PM to "one of racing's most demanding courses," the NASCAR 2.7 mile NAPA Auto Parts 200 at the "Cirque de Villeneuve" (Sur-quee jeh Vill-nue) public park and race track in Montreal. If you "Said, Boris," you win as Boris Said did, driving a Ford as he 'fordged' his way winning over \$100k edging second place driver Max Papis by .012 seconds! During a 'tire change,' Corey directs our attention to the multi-colored lit Google system board adjacent to the studio board which contains local cues for ads on "hot keys." To avert any 'hot tempers' and verify information, each advertiser's time is written and logged. Logging the weather information off the air above the studio board, my message is that it's always 'warm and sunny at this well-oiled operation!' Finally before departing posthaste, the pre-race American and Canadian anthems, sung in English and French, is heard just as a second tour group arrives, the Canadian (Ontario) team of Wayne Ryan and Dave Whatmough along with American citizen Frank Merrill who proclaimed, "O Canada!" Obviously "a small town station with a big time feel," we thank Corey, Lloyd, and everyone at "CJ Country" for a winning team!

### "Avon Calling/ Whistle(WYSL) While You Work"

Following the airchecks of "America's Best Music," nostalgic, "850 WYLF Penn Yan", "The Talk Station-820 AM WWLZ Horseheads/Elmira", and "Vintage favourites from AM 740 Zoomer Radio (CFZM-Toronto with Gene Stevens)," we tune just after WWRL hours to hear, "This hour of the Bill Nojay Show is a rebroadcast of an earlier program..daily podcasts... are available for download at wysl1040.com ..this is FM dot 92 point one and NewsPower 1040 WYSL." Not pre-recorded, but 'live and in-color' from the beautiful studios of downtown Avon, it's President/CEO Bob Savage! Actually just south of "Ah-vin" at County Road 19, 5620 South Lima Road in a modern ranch style building, we again meet former '80s 96.1 exWHTX personality, 2004 Speaker, and the radio aficionado (no relation to national host Michael Savage) Mr. Savage who proudly announces, during his busy work schedule even on a Sunday, the impressive new changes to WYSL. They were the 20 kW daytime power upgrade from a previous 2500 watts (night power at 500 watts) along

with a Nautel transmitter, a fairly immense totally efficient Kintronics phasing unit, and beginning this year, the 99 watt 92.1 translator. Now with two more tighter different directional patterns using a 4 tower array, WYSL added an addition to house the phasing unit. Mr. Savage even directed praise to all who helped such as Mark Humphrey WCJW CE and the Kintronics staff, Tom King, Bobby Cox, and Bill Sistman-"the grandmaster of AM directional." Leading us in the right direction to WYSL's full service news/talk and upcoming college sports, we thank Bob's 'civilized' approach and continued service when we 'came calling!'

"So Long, Farewell!"

Returning to Rochester, we bid 73s to Neil, Jim, Jerry, and all those who enjoyed the 2010 Convention. Seen in 2004, we'll again pass by, on Rochester's eastern side, the four tower arrays of WXXI, WHTK, and WROC. Also noted of their passing was WCJW's "Hartz The Wonder Dog" and WYSL's English sheepdog "Daisy." Not to be passed though are one more day of visits.

"Hey Sport, What's the Buzz, Believe it, This Hit Music is Classic!"

"Your attention please, there's more on Day Five on Monday, August 30, 2010, the first of four visits, an addendum to 2010." Not to be sometimes confused with "intercom," Rochester's Fab Five at 70 Commercial Street downtown is the first stop, following a stay at the Bond Inn with thanks to Lucy and Michael, that is also located at 192 Mill Street, the High Falls Walking Tour Stop #10. Located one street behind the front entrance of WXXI, this six story building began in the early 1880s as the J.K. Hunt Paperbox Company, then in 1926 became the printing firm, Canfield & Tack until 1988 when it was transformed eleven years later into premium office space. Could it be the ghosts of formats past or an actual story that following the mid 1940s when the printing company's lockman died leaving his lunch pail and sweater behind was said to haunt the southwest corner of the third floor as reports mentioned his belongings moved about on his return visits! An undaunting presence moving about today is Entercom Rochester's CE Joseph Fleming, one of the 4 Pinnacle Hill engineers, who's been with his company ten years and oversaw his stations move here in the fall of 2002. With the addition of two FMs, "Classic Rock" WCMF-96.5 and "98 PXY-The Number One Hit Music (chr) Station" WPXY-97.9, from CBS/Infinity in 2007, they joined "Today's Country" WBEE-92.5, "All Kinds of Rock (WBZA)98.9 The Buzz", and "Sportsradio 950 ESPN" WROC. Once the 1960s/70s powerhouse, WBBF/WROC now yields to the FMs, "who've become the prevalent ones in the ratings," an example of 4 stations helping to support their AM sister. 'Believe it or not' are the supportive and favorable comments of the open air architecture and loft-like space featuring the 14 foot ceilings with 4 foot wide by 10 foot sectioned brick arches that offers a pleasing and ribbon flowing effect bringing life to a historic structure and eliciting a pleasant relaxed working atmosphere! 'All for one and one for all' could describe this "Marketing Results Group" which has expanded from two floors, moving the sales department to three, providing the office staff and air personality workspace on the second, and locating the studios and reception area on the first. In all, 11 on-air and production studios amongst 17,000 square feet of space. With a pleasant encounter amongst personalities Dan Borrello of "96.5 CMF" and "98 PXY's" Sandy Waters, we thank radio fan Joe Fleming for an Entertaining Entercom Encounter!

"All in the Family"

A-Cross town east of Rochester at the intersection of Creek Street and 2494 Browncroft Boulevard, route 286, at KDKA hours, this next 'Legendary' visit of two stations is unique for two reasons. At their juncture, WDCX-990 and WLZG-102.7 still physically exist side-by-side, but under separate ownership. While each station remains part of the Crawford family of broadcasting, it is here that son Don Crawford of Texas split the two purchasing 102.7 FM from his father this year on January first adding to his 6 station network now and licensed under DJRA Broadcasting(Don JR.). On the flip side and based in Blue Bell, PA, Mr. Don Crawford Sr., Crawford Broadcasting or CBC, is now the owner of WDCX and 22 other stations from the west coast to the western New York area and rents the space from WLZG. During the visit of NRC 2004 was the sight of 990 AM's 6 tower site (5kw/2.5kw directional 24/7) just west of Brockport while the format WLZG "Legends 990" aired an adult standard playlist. Licensed to Webster, NY, for many years WDCZ/WRCI 102.7 aired a Christian format up to 2007 when they took the calls WLZG and the standard format while briefly simulcasting with the short-lived calls of WRCI-990 in 2008. Then 'the cow jumped over the moon' when in 2009 AM 990 WDCX appeared and now, with company station WDCX-99.5 Buffalo controlling operations, air the Religious Teaching/Contemporary Christian format. Still, from early morning to 3 PM, WDCX-990 airs locally based and produced programs, then simulcasts 99.5 FM's Neil Boron Show from 3-6 PM weekdays with a 'focus on family' concerns within Bible scripture mentions Mr. Earl Schillinger, Operations Manager and Morning Host. On any given morning or afternoon overlooking the intersection outside from the second floor 102.7 FM studios is a witness to dangerous accidents, but it was no accident when the "Legends" format moved to FM that by this

summer, their ratings, according to "All Access", increased to a 12 plus share tying them for number four station with WPXY. From 12 year employee, Afternoon Personality and Program Director Mark Shuttleworth, this was 'worth it' to basically tweak their format as "Classic Hits", a more upbeat style of music from the early 60s to the 80s. Also helping "Legends 102.7" is the fact they're 'live' 6AM to midnight and 70% on weekends. So as calm, cool, and collected were Eric and Mark, there's almost an "Adventures About" turn when meeting this program's host, the effervescent K.B. Cooper, two year Morning Personality on 102.7 FM! Just returning from a coordinated listener group trip to Alaska, she did not 'bear' false witness to the creature, nor can she be anything except like an enthusiastic drill sergeant who can, "wake you up and get you out the door." Think of "Alka-Seltzer" and ginger ale! No wonder "Legends" ratings are up as told she once reminded, though a little more subdued, the personality Eva Dee at CHWO-740 in 2004 during a visit of 30 members into those studios, why the unexpected thrill and energy from that moment equaled one of her! As, 'the thrill is gone', we wish Life AM 990 and Legends 102.7 a long life!

#### "The Son Will Come Out Tomorrow(and Today)"

Around WGHT hours, our third visit is just south of Brockport, New York at 6675 Fourth Section Road, route 31, the "Sonshine Radio Network" station, 1590 AM WASB, "Walking Along Sonshine Boulevard." On air in the early 1970s at this original studio is the five tower array (1000 watts 24/7 directional) that is removed somewhat from the highway. Once licensed for 1560, WASB originally stood for Albion-Spencerport-Brockport. Now and for the past 20 years, their format, originating from here and simulcasting with Canandaigua's WRSB-1310 "Walking Right-Along Sonshine Boulevard", is Christian based with teachings and some music. Under the family name, Dr. Daniel Wolfe, Owner/GM has placed the stations under the license of his deceased mother, Marilyn Wolfe. A small operation, but large in 'heart', during this hot 94 degree day, we thank Program Director Gail Reed for the 'walk' through tour and the bottle of Arizona Tea that also quenched the thirst while walking under the "Sonshine"!

#### "Lock, Stock, and Barrel"

As we hope you have been able to 'receive' these stories striving for an FM 99.9% to AM 1000%, finally, 'tis the final visit today at WLVL hours at WLVL! This is a mediumwave radio fan's dream having found it all: the towers (2), transmitter, the original building and calls, a beautifully manicured tree-lined property and paved parking lot, an AM only operation, their colorful sign, arrival before the end of business day, a pleasant staff, an enthusiastic and welcoming tour(just like all the other visits), and even the American flag! With a history of years past of someone going over the nearby Falls in a 'barrel', taking 'stock' of all this is at "Niagara County's only Radio Station and proud of it, Hometown 1340 WLVL Lockport!" At 320 Michigan Street in roughly a one block area, WLVL "We LoVe Lockport" went on the air May 8, 1947 as WUSJ, the 110 year old "Union Sun & Journal" newspaper's access to the airwaves. However, after the 70's, the FCC demand that newspapers couldn't control the media in different formats, WUSJ was sold and presently are owned by Culver Communications, Inc. Interestingly and in homage to the original station, their large white cinder block building still has the old calls etched above the front door. Also, in those early days the station had FM 99.3, but dropped the FM within a couple of years. For a much longer time, local channel 1340 AM was one of the few local channel stations that was directional, but that has changed. With local and ABC News, talk, "Tradio", high school sports, Fox Sports at night, and the syndicated Neal Bortz Show {and Beatle tunes} '6 days a week', WLVL also relies on their local channel 'he ain't heavy he's my' brother, "Hometown 1230 WECK" Cheektowaga/ Buffalo simulcasting "The Brad Riter Show - Buffalo's most entertaining host where sports and real life meet" from 4-7 PM. Meeting in real life here, Advertising Sales Rep Ted Saraf claims, "WLVL covers everywhere we need to...and doesn't need to compete with Buffalo...or climb the corporate ladder to get(programs)on the air as we are a small town and proud of it!" Yeah! Backing those comments, WLVL was recognized by The American Legion as "New York Radio Station of the Year" in 1991 and 1992. Like 'a candle in the wind', celebrating another moment today is Ted's birthday! His fascination with history, Ted's personal project has been a station retrospective and upcoming synopsis. From another historical perspective and located about 20 miles northeast of downtown Buffalo, Lockport derived its name from the Erie Canal's five locks built from 1825 to 1829 that overcame the difference in elevation along the Niagara Escarpment. Of another elevation, Lockport also boasts one of the widest bridges in the world located downtown within walking distance of the locks. As an upside down railroad bridge, it's built with the supporting structures facing downward to hinder competing canal shipping. Unlike that hindrance, we thank Tea, WLVL, all the contributors, and all the stations and their access these five days hoping you enjoyed this 'serving' of Rochester 2010! "Good night folks, we'll be seeing you soon!"

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