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every three weeks for the next couple issues.

NRC in recent weeks. For new (and older) members, please check out the "DX News Submission Guidelines" on 22 for page information about how to contribute to DX News. Let us know what you're hearing!

Help Wanted: Still looking for a DDXD-West editor, and a College Sports Networks editor. Contact David Yocis, NRCDXNews@gmail.com for info about either position.

that members are familiar with WordPress that may want to assist with the new NRC website, please contact Wayne Heinen at a tentative radio tour of KCLC FM 89.1 at amlog@nationalradioclub.org.

Please remember that the NRC is a 100% volunteer organization. It doesn't work if we don't have volunteers! So please consider taking on one of these tasks if you have the time and/or inclination to do so.

[NRC-AM]: To be added to the newly moved [NRC-AM] Google Group listserve, moderated by Russ Edmunds, just e-mail Wayne Heinen at his new address amlog@nationalradioclub.org from the email that you wish to subscribe to the the best! list with and he'll get you added.

Interim AM Switch: Note that we have an Interim AM Switch column each Friday or Saturday when DX News is not published, posted to e-dxn.com. As we start having longer intervals between issues, check here for the latest station news and updates.

The NRC's New Internet Home: Don't forget the new NRC internet address has been updated to www.nationalradioclub.org. Lots of content here, and you can join or renew your Rushville, NY; David Rivera, Westerly, RI; and membership, order publications online, and check out all the other features of the site. This doesn't replace <u>www.e-dxn.com</u>, which is still your source for the electronic version of DX News and other members-only content.

**IRCA Convention**: The 2018 IRCA convention will be held at the Best Western Plus Charles Inn in St. Charles, MO on September 7 & 8. The hotel is located at 1425 S. Fifth Street in St. Charles NW Franklin Widmann. of I-70 exit 229B, or the first exit west of the

16 ... International DX Digest 23 ... NRC Club Info Page From the Publisher: Now we start our glide Missouri River, eight miles west of the Lambert through the less-frequent publication schedule, St. Louis International Airport. The room rate is \$104.99 a night for either a standard king or two Welcome to all of those who have joined the queens. The phone number to call the hotel directly to make reservations for that weekend is (636) 946-6936 or toll-free at 1-888-274-0988. When calling to make the reservation, you must mention the code IRCA to get the rate. There is a block of 30 rooms reserved at that rate for each night for your choice of a single or double bed, your choice. Reservations must be made by August 7, 2018. One note, if all the rooms for this block sell out, then the meeting room at the hotel will be complementary. Registration fee is only \$25 per person with free breakfast. There will be Lindenwood College in St. Charles as well as another possible radio tour and a possible radio tower visit. Banquet is out of pocket and the place will be announced at a later date, possibly soon. Your host for the convention is Ken Hawkins. You can either email him StLouisHerdFan@gmail.com or you can call him on his cell phone at (636) 577-4295. Please make your plans and reservations now for the 2018 IRCA convention as this will probably be one of

#### Volume 85 DX News Schedule

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14	Apr. 6	Apr. 16	18	July 20	July 30
15	Apr. 27	May 7	19	Aug. 17	Aug. 27
16	May 25	June 4	20	Sept. 7	Sept. 17

#### Membership Report

**New Members**: Welcome to Roy Grau, Clive Russ, Hudson, NY.

Welcome Returning Member: Anthony Pazzola, Albany, NY.

Renewing Members: Thanks for the ongoing support of Neil Bartlett; Jesse R. Bruner; Kenneth Eddy; Walter Fair Jr; Roger Gravelle; Peter A. Horton; Karl Kastner; Neil T. Kazaross; Ken MacHarg; Mark Smith; Lexington Smith; and

# AM Switch

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## Official changes from the FCC and CRTC

#### **CALL CHANGES**

**1220 KPJC OR Salem** – Call change to KSLM (Mar. 5).

**1230** KSGG NV Reno – Call change to KBZZ (Mar. 15).

**1240** WNBZ NY Saranac Lake – Call change to WVSL (Feb. 28; station is silent).

**1270 KBZZ NV Sparks** – Call change to KSGG (Mar. 15).

**1290 WRNI RI Providence** – Call change to WRPA (Feb. 28).

**1320 WAGF AL Dothan** – Call change to WDSA (Mar. 1).

**1370 WRND KY Fort Campbell** – Call change to WQEZ (Feb. 25).

1490 WEKI AL Decatur – Call change to WIEZ (Mar. 2).

**WTCS WV Fairmont** – Call change to WBKE (Mar. 1).



#### **NEW STATION WATCH**

**600 New BC Vancouver** – CP for new station applies to increase to U4 50000/20000.

**1350 CHFO QC Gatineau** – New station (U1? 1000/180), reported testing, to be FF:VAR "Radio Communautaire Francophone de l'Outaouais."

#### **STATIONS GOING DARK**

1600 WRSL KY Corbin – License voluntarily surrendered by licensee Dec. 15, 2017.

#### **CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CPs) FOR EXISTING STATIONS**

CPs fully licensed and on the air:

**1540** WNWR PA Philadelphia – CP for U4 50000/250 is on the air.

#### CPs built, awaiting final licensing:

**680 WGES FL St. Petersburg** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 800/140.

**790 WAYY WI Eau Claire** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 5000/123.

**1160 WKCM KY Hawesville** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 2500/55.

**1280 WJYE ME Gardiner** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 5000/40.

**1440 KODL OR The Dalles** – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 1000/23, new site 45-37-12/121-05-59.

**1560** WGLB WI Elm Grove – Applies for license to cover CP for U7 2500/250 (ch 700).

#### CPs granted:

**1300 KKOL WA Seattle** – Granted CP to U4 50000/3200, new site 47-39-19/122-31-06.

**1360** KACT TX Andrews – Granted CP to U1 900/223, adjust coordinates 32-20-49/102-33-23.

#### Applications for CP received:

**790 KJRB WA Spokane** – Applies for CP, U1 4400/34.

**920 WGNU IL Granite City** – Applies to change CoL to St. Louis MO; no other changes.

**1050 KJPG CA Frazier Park** – Applies for CP, D3 10000, dropping night operations and site.

**1060 KRCN CO Longmont** – Applies for CP, U1 50000/105, consolidating operations at licensed day site.

**1440** KTUV AR Little Rock – Applies for CP, U2 23000/240, increasing day power.

**1480 KPHX AZ Phoenix** – Applies for CP, U1 640/25, moving to KSUN-1400 tower at 33-23-21/111-59-53.

**1510 KGA WA Spokane** – Applies for CP, U2 50000/6000 (ch 45000).

1590 WSMN NH Nashua – Applies for CP, U1 770/58, diplexed with WGHM-900 (current STA site) at 42-45-34/71-28-37.

#### Amendments to pending CP applications received:

**1590 WRSB NY Brockport** – Has a pending application for U2 500/1000 on 1600 kHz, amends the application to U2 300/700.

#### **SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)**

#### STAs granted:

- **540 WGOP MD Pocomoke City** Granted STA, U1 125/125, power problems resulting in reduced power.
- **590 WDIZ** FL Panama City Granted STA, U1 1700/625, failure of night pattern.
- **610 KAVL CA Lancaster** Granted STA, U4 4900/300, day pattern at night (but lower power).
- 920 WYMB SC Manning Granted STA, U4 400/1000, night pattern in day (but lower power).
   KKLS SD Rapid City Granted STA, U4 3200/700, power line near towers hurts pattern.
- **930 WKCT KY Bowling Green** Granted STA, D1 5000, can't switch to night pattern.
- 980 WAAV NC Leland Granted STA, U2 5000/1500, night pattern component problems.
- 1010 WCKW LA Garyville Granted STA, U1 408/42, transmitter malfunction.
- **1230 WRBS MD Baltimore** Granted STA, U1 400/400 from WOLB-1010/WWIN-1400 tower; has lost licensed site.
- 1350 WEGA PR Vega Baja Granted STA, U1 625/625, reinstating pre-Hurricane Maria STA.
- **1360 WGBN PA McKeesport** Granted STA, U1 1000/53, all from licensed night site.

#### Applications for STA received:

**1310 KEZM LA Sulphur** – Applies for STA, U1 125/12.5, changing from temporary longwire at the STA site (30-14-11/93-20-47) to new Isotron-40 antenna.



**1360 WNJC NJ Washington Township** – Applies for STA, U4 2200/800, using night pattern 24 hours; problems with two day-only towers.

#### Extensions of STAs granted:

- **560** WHYN MA Springfield Granted STA extension, parameters at variance or U1 1250/250.
- 860 KTRB CA San Francisco Granted STA extension, U1 50000/5000 from licensed day site.
- 890 KDXU UT St. George Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
- 940 WIPR PR San Juan Granted STA extension, U1 2500/2500 from WKAQ-580 tower.
- **1060 KGFX SD Pierre** Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
- 1070 WCSZ SC Sans Souci Granted STA extension, U1 12500/375.
- 1110 KRDC CA Pasadena Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
- **1120** KLIM CO Limon Granted STA extension, D1, temporary antenna at 39-15-56/103-41-57.
- **1130 KSDO CA San Diego** Granted STA extension, U1 2500/2500, wire at 32-43-51/117-04-59.
- **1170 WQHC AL Hanceville** Granted STA extension, U1 10/10, whip at 34-03-26/86-46-33.
- 1190 WPSP FL Royal Palm Beach Granted STA extension, U4 2200/410, Cuba-1180 QRM.
- **1260 WSHU CT Westport** Granted STA extension, U1 250/2, wire at 41-07-42/73-23-26.
- 1360 WHNR FL Cypress Gardens Granted STA extension, U1 1250/625.
  - KWWJ TX Baytown Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
- **1370** WLLN TN Lillington Granted STA extension, day parameters at variance.
- 1410 WDOV DE Dover Granted STA extension, night parameters at variance.
- 1430 WENE NY Endicott Granted STA extension, U1 5000/640.
- **1450** WTKI AL Huntsville Granted STA extension, U1 550/550, wire at 34-43-43/86-36-01.
- **1480 KYOS CA Merced** Granted STA extension, U1 4300/250 from CP site.
- **1530 WJDM NJ Elizabeth** Granted STA extension, D1 250, WPAT-930/WNSW-1430 tower.
- **1540 WBTL VA Richmond** Granted STA extension, D1 700 from WUWN-1450 tower.
- 1570 KVAM CO Loveland Granted STA extension, U1 1000/40 from CP site.
- **1590 KVTA CA Ventura** Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
  - WPUL FL South Daytona Granted STA extension, U1 250/320, tower 29-12-07/81-01-29.

#### Applications to extend STAs received:

- **560 WQAM FL Miami** Applies to extend STA, U1 4100/1000 (as in CP), from licensed site.
- 580 WKAQ PR San Juan Applies to extend STA, U1 10000/4500.
- 910 WLTP OH Marietta Applies to extend STA, U1 5000/9 from licensed day site.
- **920 KDHL MN Faribault** Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance.
- 930 WBEN NY Buffalo Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance during FM diplexing.
- **940 WINE CT Brookfield** Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance.
- 950 WTLN FL Orlando Applies to extend STA, U2 12000/10000, Cuban QRM.
- **1010 KXEN MO St. Louis** Applies to extend STA, U5 50000/125, temp. nighttime longwire.
- **1160 WOBM NJ Lakewood Township** Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance.
- 1250 KBRF MN Fergus Falls Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance, FM diplexing.
- **1300 WKQK FL Cocoa Beach** Applies to extend STA, U4 5000/250, day pattern at night.
- 1310 WADB NJ Asbury Park Applies to extend STA, U1 625/250.

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- 1330 WENA PR Yauco Applies to extend STA, U1 500/350, temporary longwire.
- **1380 WBEL IL South Beloit** Applies to extend STA, U1 5000/1250.
- **1390** WSPO SC Charleston Applies to extend STA, U1 5000/1250.
- **1400** WSEG GA Savannah Applies to extend STA, U1 250/250.
- **1410 WPOP CT Hartford** Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance.
- 1490 WSVM NC Valdese Applies to extend STA, U1 500/500 from temporary longwire, site.
- **1520 WTRI MD Brunswick** Applies to extend STA, parameters at variance.

#### **SILENT STATIONS**

Formerly silent stations informing the FCC that they are back on the air:

- **1060** KTNS CA Oakhurst Silent Oct. 15 (2017), on the air Mar. 2.
- 1320 KNIT UT Salt Lake City Silent Feb. 27 (2017), on the air Feb. 23 with STA.
- **1350 WEGA PR Vega Baja** Silent Nov. 20 (2017), on the air Feb. 28 with STA (as applied for).
- **1490 WGEZ WI Beloit** Silent Jan. 20, on the air Jan. 30.
- **1590 WPUL FL South Daytona** Silent Sept. 11 (2017), on the air Jan. 18 from STA site with U1 250/32.
  - WGGO NY Salamanca Silent Mar. 8 (2017), on the air Mar. 6.

Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:

- 750 WBMD MD Baltimore Silent Feb. 16; another tenant's equipment too close to transmitter.
- 1140 KYOK TX Conroe Silent Feb. 2; vandalism at transmitter site.
- 1300 KKOL WA Seattle Silent Feb. 28; has lost licensed site, pending CP for a new site.
- 1450 KIKR TX Beaumont Silent Mar. 5; problems with tower and ground system.
- 1550 KNSH TX Canyon Silent Mar. 12; problems with antenna tuning unit.
- **1620** WDND IN South Bend Silent Mar. 2; has lost licensed tower site.

#### **COORDINATE CORRECTION**

1440 WCDL PA Carbondale – CP to correct coordinates to 41-33-22/75-29-09 is on the air.

# NRC AM Log Updates

- **580 WYHM TN Rockwood** Adds // W280FK-103.9. (FCC)
- **610 WAGG AL Birmingham** Slogan to "Heaven 610," delete Grp= Heaven 610.
- **670 KMZQ NV Las Vegas** Format to TLK (ex-SPT); slogan to "The Right Talk," networks to SRN/JBo.
- **680 WPTF** NC Raleigh Networks to C/Sf/Fox/WW1/JBo/PRN/RER.
- 700 KHSE TX Wylie Format to Brokered/SS:REL (ex-SS:REL); slogan & Group to Grp=Voz Evangélica (ex-Grp= Radio Setecientos). (GH)
- 740 KCMC TX Texarkana Delete // K254AS-98.7.
  - WRNR WV Martinsburg Networks to C/Ns/WW1/CMP/JBo.
  - **WRPQ WI Baraboo** Networks to A/Wi/WW1.
- **800 WCHA PA Chambersburg** Slogan & Group to Grp=Oldies 96.3 True Oldies Channel (ex-Grp=FM 96.3 Good Time Oldies).
- 810 CKJS MB Winnipeg From the Station re: Move to FM: "We still do not have a set date at this time. I am assuming sometime late summer if all goes well. Quite a bit of moving parts to get this moved over and tested first." (SA)
- **820 WWFD MD Frederick** Slogan to "The Gamut," delete Grp= The Gamut. (PS)
- 840 KJFA NM Belen Format to SS:CHR (ex-SS:MEX); slogan & Group to Grp= Exitos 102.9.
- **860 KPAM OR Troutdale** Networks to Fox/WW1/CMP/SRN.
- 880 WRRZ NC Clinton Slogan to "Radio Nueva Vida."
- **900 WATV AL Birmingham** Slogan to "V 94.9," adds // W235BS-94.9.
- 920 KKLS SD Rapid City Format to NWS/TLK (ex-CLR); slogan to "NewTalk," networks to A/P/DR/WW1/CMP/JBo/RER.
- **940** KTFS TX Texarkana Networks to Fox/Tx/Ru; adds // K254AS-98.7.
- **950 WYWY KY Barbourville** Slogan to "Barbourville's Radio Station," adds // W227CD-93.3; delete Grp= Barbourville's Radio Station.
- 970 WFLA FL Tampa Networks to Fox/P/Ru/WW1/C2C.
- **990 WWKY KY Winchester** Format to AC/EZL (ex-GOS); networks to WW1.
- **KFCD TX Farmersville** Format to Brokered/SS:REL (ex-SS:REL); slogan & Group to Grp=Voz Evangélica. (WH)
- **1010 WPMH VA Portsmouth** Slogan to "Lighthouse 101.1."

- **1040 WZSK PA Everett** Networks to A/WW1/P.
- **1050 WBQH MD Silver Spring** Adds // W228DI-93.5. (PS)
  - **KLOH MN Pipestone** Networks to Fox/Li.
- 1060 KTNS CA Oakhurst Format to SS:MEX (ex-SS:MEX); slogan to "Radio Lazer."
  - **KFIL** MN Preston Slogan to "True Country 103."
  - **WGSB** NC Mebane Slogan to "La Grande 1000" (Station is listed Silent at FCC WH); appears // WRTG-1000? (BH)
- **1090** WCZZ SC Greenwood Format to SPT (ex-UC:GOS); networks to FSR, drop slogan.
- **1120 WXJO GA Douglasville** Format to UC:GOS (ex-SPT), drop slogan.
  - WKAJ NY Saint Johnsville Slogan to "Real Country 1120," networks to A/WW1.
- 1140 WNWF FL Destin Format to NOS (ex-Silent).
- 1150 WONG MS Canton Format to UC:GOS/AC (ex-UC:GOS).
- **1160** KCTO MO Cleveland Slogan to "La Mega," "La Raza."
  - **WAIX NY Mechanicville** Format to AC (ex-Alternative); slogan to "106.1 The Jockey"
  - **KRDY TX San Antonio** Format to TLK (ex-SS:REL); slogan to "Freedom 1160," networks to Fox/SRN/Ing/WW1.
- **1200 WXKS MA Newton** Format to TLK (ex-Biz); slogan to "Talk 1200," networks to Fox/P/Ru/WW1/CMP/FSR; delete Grp= Bloomberg 106.1 Boston (MD)
- **1220** KLBB MN Stillwater Format to Reported Silent (ex-NOS). (EW)
- 1230 WABN VA Abingdon Slogan & Group to Grp=97.3 Love FM.
- **1250** WHNZ FL Tampa Format to TLK/SPT (ex-SPT); networks to C/CMP/FSR.
- 1270 WLIK TN Newport Slogan to "The Smokies Oldies 97.9 FM & 1270 AM."
  - WTJZ VA Newport News Slogan & Group to Grp=The Praise 104.9.
- **1280 WWTC MN Minneapolis** Adds // K298CO-107.5.
  - **KZFS** WA Spokane Format to C&W (ex-CCR); slogan to "Kix 99.3."
- **1290** KJEF LA Jennings Slogan to "Cajun Radio," delete // KLCL-1470.
  - **WZTI WI Greenfield** Slogan & Group Grp=Fonz-FM (ex-Grp= True Oldies Channel).
- **1300** KLLS TX Lumberton Slogan to "Music Radio Double L S."
- 1310 KIQQ CA Barstow Slogan to "Radio Lazer."
  - WJZA GA Decatur Format to JAZZ (ex-SS:TLK); slogan to "Smooth Jazz 101.1," adds // W266BW-101.1.
- **1320** KNCB LA Vivian Slogan to "Caddo Country," networks to WW1.
  - WMSR TN Manchester Adds // W300BL-107.9. (FCC)
- **1330 WSPQ NY Springville** Format to OLQ (ex-CLR); slogan to "13-Q" "True Oldies Channel." (*Currently Silent WH*)
- 1340 WWFL FL Clermont Slogan to "Le Mejor."
- 1370 KWRM CA Corona Networks to CRI.
  - WGHN MI Grand Haven Slogan to "Sports Radio 1370 & 94.9."
- **1400 KBLJ CO La Junta** Format to CLR (ex-OLD).
  - **KNNR NV Sparks** Networks to USA/SRN/DR/MRN/PRN.
  - **KKTL WY Casper** Format to C&W (ex-SPT); slogan to "The Cowboy," drops networks.
- **1410 WHAG MD Halfway** Group to Grp= Oldies 96.3 True Oldies Channel (ex-Grp= FM 96.3 Good Time Oldies).
- **1430 WKOX MA Everett** Format to SS (ex-TLK/SPT); slogan to "Rumba 1430," drops nets. (JL)
- **1450 WTKI AL Huntsville** Slogan to "Talk Radio for Real Life," adds // W225AH-92.9; delete Grp= Talk Radio for Real Life.
  - WASK IN Lafayette Slogan to "101.7 The Hammer," adds // W269DJ-101.7.
- **1470 WMGG FL Egypt Lake** Format to SS:MEX (ex-SS:Romantica); slogan to "96.1 La Mexicana," adds // WTMP-FM-96.1.
  - KLCL LA Lake Charles Format to UC:AC (ex-C&W); slogan to "Magic 1470," delete // KJEF-1290.
- 1480 WCNS PA Latrobe Slogan to "Lite Favorites."
- **1480 KBXD TX Dallas** Format to Brokered/SS:REL (ex-SS:REL); slogan & Group to Grp=Voz Evangélica (ex-Grp= Radio Setecientos). (GH)
- **1490 WIEZ** AL Decatur Format to OLD (ex-TLK); slogan to "94.7 Oldies Radio," drops nets, adds // W234AD-94.7; delete Grp= Talk Radio for Real Life.
  - WCHM GA Clarkesville Slogan to "News Talk 96.7 FM & 1490 AM."
  - **KJIN LA Houma** Format to UC:AC (ex-SS:MEX); slogan to "104.7 Jamz," adds // K284CU-104.7.
- **1500** KCLF LA New Roads Slogan to "The Voice of Point Coupee."
- 1510 WRRD WI Waukesha Slogan to "Resistance Radio," adds // WTTN-1580. (NB)
- 1520 WPAY OH Rossford Format SS:REL (ex-REL/UC:TLK); slogan to "Radio Nueva Vida."

**1540 WSIV NY East Syracuse** – Adds // W292EY-106.3. (FCC)

1560 KTUI MO Sullivan – Networks to USA/Bf/Mo/AGt/LCL.

1580 WSRF FL Fort Lauderdale – Adds // W258CZ-99.5. (FCC)

WTTN WI Columbus – Format to TLK (ex-SS:SPT); slogan to "Resistance Radio," networks to WW1; adds // WRRD-1510. (NB)

1590 WTVB MI Coldwater – Slogan to "The Voice of Branch County."

**KGFK MN East Grand Forks** – Format to CLR (ex-AC).

**1650 WHKT VA Portsmouth** – Format to UC:GOS (ex-TLK); slogan & Group to Grp=The Praise 104.9, drops nets. (CR)

#### **New Groups**

Grp= Exitos 102.9 – KJF -840, KJFA-FM-102.9, K275AO-102.9

Grp= The Praise 104.9 – WTJZ-1270, W285FM-104.9, W223CT-92.5, WHKT-1650, W245CK-96.9(CR)

Grp= Voz Evangélica – KBXD-1480, KHSE-700, K260CX-99.9, KFCD-990, K281CS-104.1 (GH)

#### **Group Update**

Grp= 97.3 Love FM – Adds WABN-1230, W277BT-103.3 Abingdon, VA

Grp= Bloomberg 106.1 Drops WXKS-1200 Newton (MD)

#### **Group Name Changes**

Grp= FM 96.3 Good Time Oldies becomes Oldies 96.3 True Oldies Channel Grp= True Oldies Channel becomes Grp= Fonz-FM



#### **Deleted Groups**

Grp= Barbourville's Radio Station Grp = Heaven 610 Grp= Talk Radio For Real Life Grp= The Gamut (PS)

#### From Radio Insight:

iHeartMedia has reached an agreement with the holders of more than \$10 billion of its outstanding debt for a restructuring through the Chapter 11 bankruptcy process. iHeart will continue to operate all of its properties while undergoing the restructuring that will reduce their debt by \$10 billion. The restructuring will be overseen by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas, Houston Division. The company expects to have liquidity to continue operations during the bankruptcy proceedings. Among the largest unsecured creditors owed by iHeart in trade payable or licensing fees are Nielsen who is owed \$20,874,637.87, SoundExchange owed \$6.4 million, Cumulus Media \$5.6 million, Cox Media Group \$5 million, Warner Music Group \$3.9 million, CBS \$2.82 million, Hubbard Broadcasting \$2.3 million, and Spotify \$2 million. Also unsecured is Law Debenture Trust Company's \$1.9 billion in 14% Senior Notes due in 2021 and BNY Mellon's \$309 million in 7.25% Senior Notes due in 2027 and \$178 million in 6.875% Senior Notes due in 2018. The Clear Channel Outdoor subsidiary will not be going through the bankruptcy process.

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# Domestic DX Digest – West

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Typo last time – 1610 Toronto is of course CHHA, not CHAA. My bad!

#### **REPORTERS**

**GH-OK Glenn Hauser, Enid** – Mostly DX-398 with internal antenna only or PL-880; NRD-545 with ALA-330S inside E-W or inside randomwire N-S; Nissan stock caradio as specified; IC-R75 with E-W longwire.

JN-TX James Niven, Cedar Creek – ELAD S2 and Drake R8 with Antennas as DKAZ (East & South) 140-foot x 23 high, (2) EWE's 1 East and 1 West 100x15ft and 150-foot Long wire.

**JR-OK John Reed KA5QEP, Shawnee** – NRD-525 modified with 7 kHz Roofing filter, quiet display power supply, and ESKA tall filter board, AR7030 with added filters; homebrew tuned ferrite loop, Clifton Labs active whip, Quantum phaser.

JW-CO John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge – Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.

**RV-TX** Robert Vance, El Paso – WinRadio G33DDC, various indoor and outdoor loop antennas.

#### **DX LOGGINGS**

570 KWML NM Las Cruces – 2/24 0740 – Heard with 60s-80s CHR, "Kool Oldies 104.5" slogan IDs, legal ID at 0802. (RV-TX)

KNRS UT Salt Lake City – 2/24 0800 – Into NBC news, then weather promo for the "2-News Weather Team" "... on Talk Radio 1-0-5-9 KNRS, listen and you'll know." Followed by iHeart app promo and America's First News program. (RV-TX)

**590 KSUB UT Cedar City** – 3/3 0733 – Tourism ad (visitcedarcity.com), furniture ad, then ID: "Southern Utah's first radio station, Talk Radio 590 KSUB," and back to

George Noory. Good signal, on top. (JW-CO)

++3/4 0802 – With Fox news, local ads, ID at 0805: "Thanks for listening, Fox Radio 590 KSUB," then the Dr. Bob Martin show. (RV-TX)

620 KIGS CA Hanford – 3/2 0758 – Punjabi incantations, heard often around this time but never any announcements or ads. After chasing this for a year, finally nabbed an ID at 0759:50 by man: "620 AM KIGS Hanford-Visalia-Fresno ..." and right back into incants (whatever they're called). Fair peaks with QRM. CA #125 here. (JW-CO)

670 WSCR IL Chicago – 3/5 1459 – On car radio in downtown Enid, with Chicago ads and ID, atop presumed KLTT-CO; less than a sesquihour after local mean noon, extended groundwave over one megameter. 720 also with a weak WGN. (GHOK)

700 KHSE TX Wylie – 3/14 1641 – At a quiet parking spot in western Enid, with female preaching in SS, hard to copy at the edge of groundwave coverage. ID at 1700 hard to copy, but at least one FM translator mentioned in English, then a definite ID for "KBXD 1480 Voz Evangélica," alternating EE and SS. (GH-OK)

**720 KSAH TX Universal City** – 3/8 0808 – "La Hora de Trabajo," day-job openings with phone numbers, no area codes but 210 presumably understood. Mixing in English and joking around. KSAH now on 10 kW day power from 0745 EST in March; major lobes to the NW and ESE but not a deep null thisaway. **(GHOK)** 

**780 KAZM AZ Sedona** – 3/4 0759 – Legal ID at 0759:52 by man: "With northern Arizona's best news, talk, sports and music this is AM 780 KAZM Sedona," and into Fox News; local ads noted at 0802. Fair in QRM. **(JW-CO)** 

**830 KFLT AZ Tucson** – 2/24 1959 – In the jumble of stations, woman saying "From southern Arizona ... 88.5 FM, and 101.7 FM, KFLT AM 830 ...," fair to poor at times. New. **(JN-TX)** 

870 WWL LA New Orleans – 3/10 0809 – Still dominant with local weather from WWL-TV, and at 0810 "joining in progress NBC Sports Radio." This is a "new" network for them, presumably only for certain segments and not across the board. (GH-OK)

- **890 WLS** IL Chicago 3/4 0208 Surprised to hear Jim Bohannon on WLS Chicago plugging his record guide at moneymusic.com. Indeed, the WLS web site shows Sunday 0100-0300 ELT is the only time it has JimBo on. **(GH-OK)**
- 930 KIUP CO Durango 2/25 0859 Up from QRN with ID announcement "... news, sports, information, and weather right here on ESPN Radio for the Four Corners, KIUP Durango, 930 AM and 97.3 and 106.3 FM ...." (RV-TX)
  - KCCC NM Carlsbad 2/25 0840 With 80's CHR, singing ID with call letters at 0842, mixing with WKY at times. (RV-TX)
  - WKY OK Oklahoma City 2/25 0844 ESPN Deportes, local WKY ID by woman at 0847, then back into programming. (RV-TX)
- 940 WINZ FL Miami 2/24 1958 Under XEQ but gaining strength, man at 1959:59 with ID as "WINZ Miami, WC...Q HD2 Miami Beach, WBGG 105.9 Fort Lauderdale, 940 AM WINZ, I-Heart Radio Station," then into Fox News at good level. New. (JN-TX)
  - **KMER WY Kemmerer** 2/16 0857 Couple of Oldies tunes; LID at 0902:30 by man: "You're listening to southwest Wyoming's AM 940 KMER Kemmerer, Wyoming," followed by state news from the Cowboy State News Network. Fair for a few minutes. Always a tough log here, with KIXZ dominating and a local on 950. **(JW-CO)**
- 960 KKNT AZ Phoenix 3/10 0845 Talk program about car financing, 0848 promo for station app ending with "Intelligent Talk, 9-60, the Patriort," followed by string of local ads and promos, return to show at 0852. (RV-TX)
  - KGKL TX San Angelo 3/10 0810 With Sean Hannity show, "NewsTalk 9-60 KGKL" ID at 0819. (RV-TX)
- **990 KWAM TN Memphis** 3/2 1750 News, weather, and call ID; faded out quickly after 1755. **(JR-OK)**
- **1070 KHMO MO Hannibal** 2/15 0100 Man with local commercial, then "From the Sheridan Valley ... this is News Talk 1070 KHMO Hannibal, at khmoradio.com," then into ABC News, fair level. New. **(JN-TX)**
- 1130 KLEY KS Wellington 3/10 1722 Way out of whack again, with regular rapid noise pulses at about 280/minute, mixed with fragments of carrier with modulation cutting on and off at slower and very irregular rate. Same at 3/13 1522 check, back to normal 3/14 1640 with "The Wave, wheat capital" slogan, but out of whack again 3/15 1507. (GH-OK)
- **1200 WOAI TX San Antonio** 3/13 1655 Weak at quiet spot in western Enid on car radio, ad mentioning I-35 exit 186 (i.e., New Braunfels) then fading out. Early skywave, or more likely groundwave, almost 500 miles from here. Or sporadic E? I
  - suspect there is a correlation between MW and VHF Es; more research needs to be done with ionosondes, etc. It need to be proved that Es has a *lower* frequency limit that is above the MW broadcast band. It is certainly evident on the lower HF bands. Shortly after this, I was hearing pileups on CB, indicating MUF of at least 28 MHz, and a 6m Es DX map by 1825 showed a MUF up to 72 MHz over TN/NC. **(GH-OK)**
- **1280 KCNI** NE Broken Bow 2/17 0729 ID mentioning 1280, 96.3 FM, and kcni1280.com; C&W music ensued; also noted "KCNI Pure Country Radio" ID's. Fair/poor in KBNO null. (JW-CO)
- **1290 KIVY TX Crockett** = 2/17 0059 Quick ID by male: "America's best music, 1290 AM and 102.9 FM," fair. (JN-TX)
- **1300 KGLO IA Mason City** 2/22 0859 LID: "Join me for the Weekend Show at 4 PM Sunday afternoons right here on AM 1300 KGLO Mason City," and into CBS news; noted with local news a few minutes later. Spotty reception, mixing with others. **(JW-CO)** 
  - KOLY SD Mobridge 2/22 0921 "Dairy Queen Trivia Question: What is the modern name of the game once called Criss Cross?" Guessers should call 605-845-3654. The answer, of course, is Scrabble. Fair with fading and QRM. (JW-CO)
- **1320 KWHN AR Fort Smith** 2/23 0859 "... weekday mornings at 11 on KWHN ..."; CBS news followed, I think. Very poor in QRM. (**JW-CO**)
  - **KXYZ TX Houston** 2/23 0900 Religious vocal music to 0900 ID, then back to music. Poor in QRM. (**JW-CO**)
- **1340 KCRN TX San Angelo** 2/17 0058 Noted with promo for Turning Point, man with "You're listening to KCBI, all-teaching channel online at teaching.KCBI.org, and over the air on KCRN ... San Angelo," fair to good. New. **(JN-TX)**

- **1360 KPXQ AZ Glendale** 2/22 2000 Woman giving website as faithtalk1360.com, then man with ID as "Connecting faith and life, Faith Talk 1360, KPXQ Glendale-Phoenix," into "Through the Bible" program. Fair to good, new. **(JN-TX)**
- **1370 KGEN CA Tulare** 2/27 0859 Canned legal ID by man also mentioning 94.5 FM and "La Ley" slogan. Poor. (JW-CO)
- 1380 KRCM TX Shenandoah 2/17 0059 Spanish religious music, many "Radio Vida 1380" IDs and many mentions of Houston. Fair, fighting it out with XECO. New. (JN-TX)
- **1400 KART ID Jerome** 2/19 0958 C&W music to LID at 1000:40 by man: "It's Paul in the Morning and Classic Country all day long. We're Buck FM, AM 1400 KART Jerome and 94.7 FM on translator K234CT Twin Falls." Signal faded but sounded like one minute of CBS news, followed by state and local news with Paul Johnson. Fair peaks but typical sunrise fading and QRM from about 6 others. **(JW-CO)** 
  - **KODI** WY Cody 2/19 1041 Program note for "Speak Your Piece" "... only on 1400 AM and 96.7 FM KODI, The Big Horn Basin's News Authority"; ads followed. Briefly fair in the zoo. (JW-CO)
- 1450 KTZR AZ Tucson 2/28 0759 LID at 0759:53, just partially readable in the jumble. (JW-CO)
  - **KSEL NM Portales** 2/24 0641 C&W music, "1450-Cow Country" slogans, ID at 0641 including "KSEL Portales-Clovis," back to C&W music. **(RV-TX)**
  - **KNZU** UT St. George 2/24 0718 Education PSA, followed by ID "In 2018 and beyond, KZNU-AM, Utah's most stimulating talk." (RV-TX)
  - **KVOW WY Riverton** 3/2 0859 "You're listening to The Talk of Fremont County AM 1450 KVOW Riverton" and into news. Fair, punching thru the wall of sound. (JW-CO)
- **1460 KXNO IA Des Moines** 2/25 0640 Fox Sports, "This is Des Moines' sports station, 1460 KXNO" at 0644 after program promo, then into network ads. **(RV-TX)** 
  - **KZUE OK El Reno** 2/19 1602 In SS with a "Grupo Fórmula Sports Report," plugs into this Mexican network during certain hours. **(GH-OK)**
  - **KCLE TX Burleson** 3/10 0819 Presumed with Vietnamese sometimes rising above the SRS mix, looping NNW/SSE. **(GH-OK)**
  - **KCWM TX** Hondo 2/25 0640 C&W, ID by woman at 0649: "When the weather gets worse, we get better, on 1460 KCWM." (RV-TX)
- 1470 KNXN AZ Sierra Vista 3/5 0958 Program notes; mention of radiobible.org; dual LID at 0959:52: "The Good Message Radio Network 940 KGMS Tucson, 1470 KNXN Sierra Vista, online at kgms.com"; a religious program followed. Fair at best. (JW-CO)
  - **KDHN TX Dimmitt** 3/4 0637 C&W music, call-only ID 0640, then back to C&W. **(RV-TX)** 
    - ++ 3/4 0724 Ads for Swisher Electric Co-op in Tulia and Westway Feeds in Dimmitt; then "Here's your latest weather update on The Twister with News Channel 10's ???...[Amarillo TV station]"; no ID heard. Briefly fair. (JW-CO)
  - **KWRD TX Henderson** 3/4 0659 Caught only the ESPN Radio and 98.5 FM part of an ID. I suspected this, but the station's web site had only the NBC Sports Radio logo. Finally caught a clear ID at the tail end of a promo for the ESPN app: "You're listening to ESPN Radio on KWRD 1470 AM, 98-5 FM," then back to ESPN program. **(RV-TX)**
  - **KKTY WY Douglas** 3/4 0715 ID at the tail end of an announcement as "Classics 1470 KKTY." (**RV-TX**)
- **1480** KLVL **TX** Pasadena 3/9 0639 R&B music, 0650 ad for ABC 13 mobile app, and also at other times. ToH ID mentioned // 94.9 FM and also // KGBC-1540. (RV-TX)
- **1490 KZZN TX Littlefield** 3/10 0656 C&W music, ID 0659 "Classic country for you, Waylon(?)-approved, KZZN Littlefield, AM 1490," then immediately covered by KVWC sign-on. **(RV-TX)** Waylon Jennings was a DJ on KZZN back in 1955, when he was 18 years old. A recording of one of his KZZN shows, where he chatted with local musicians in Littlefield, was discovered and released in 2015. DY.
  - **KVWC TX Vernon** 3/10 0700 Sign-on announcement by man, faded into mix with KZZN. (**RV-TX**)
- **1510 KMND TX Midland** 3/11 0510 Noted with Fox Sports and // 99.5 per announcement. (RV-TX)

- **1550 KUAZ AZ Tucson** 2/22 1958 NPR programming, into local spots, ID 2000: "This is 1550 KUAZ, 89.1 KUAG-FM, broadcast service of the University of Arizona." Nice clear signal, relog. **(JN-TX)**
- **1580 KGAF TX Gainesville** 2/17 0101 Oldies music, man with quick ID: "You are listening to Hometown Radio 1580 KGAF ... a First Four Media station," fair. New. **(JN-TX)**
- **1610 CHHA ON Toronto** 3/2 2150 Fair to good signal with Asian language, probably Hindi, with call ID at 2200. **(JR-OK)** *Punjabi is listed 2200-2300 Mon-Fri and 2300-2400 Sun, per current web site.* DY.
- **1620 KOZN NE Bellevue** 3/10 2155 Presumed with loop repeating every 10 seconds with tone and "Westwood One, Sports 4," obviously a satellite channel marker never intended to be pit on the air. WTAW with science talk underneath. **(GH-OK)**

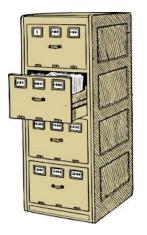
### Unreported Domestic Stations

One station reported to DDXD this issue for the first time since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000): WLAK-1530. The number of currently licensed stations in the United States and Canada that haven't been reported to DDXD in that timeframe is now 376. The full list was last printed in issue 84-18. Can you log and report one next issue?

### From the *DX News* archives ....

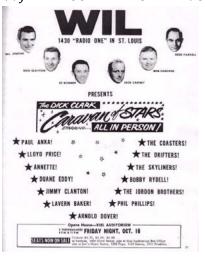
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75 Years Ago – From the March 13, 1943 issue of *DX News*: Four DX Tests on the calendar, all Graveyarders: WCBI-MS, KWLK-WA, WGIL-IL on 1400, plus CHLT-1240 from Quebec, Canada. The Club theme song was "The National Emblem March" and was played on WCBI's DX Test for NRC, per Joe Becker. Annual membership dues were \$2! Ernie Cooper-NY reported hearing WFTL-710 Fort Lauderdale, FL testing. A report was received from the "Hendrix DX Club" of Conway, AR. Highlighting the SW Column was Roger Legge's log of Singapore-7220 in DC.



- **50 Years Ago** From the March 16, 1968 issue of *DX News*: Pete Taylor of (then) Arlington, MA was in Bermuda and noted WIOD-610 FL in the daytime. At twilight: WQAM-560 FL, WPTF-680 NC, & WINS-1010 NY were heard. Roy Millar-WA received his 50th British Columbian verie from CKKC-1390. Roy also logged WAGC-1560 AL at their 7:30 AM s/on. Virginia's Alan Merriman reported his 100th Canadian verie & 75th country. Scandinavian member Bengt Ericson paid a visit to the island of Madeira & saw their 3 AM stations: on 1331, 1484, & 1529. England's Ken Brownlee said a young DXer there is so anxious to build up his QSL collection that he is trying to BUY QSLs from other DXers!
- **25 Years Ago** From the March 15, 1993 issue of *DX News*: Shawn Axelrod of MB-Canada bagged the WDEV-550 DX Test for his first Vermonter & state #47. Bob McCoy-NE heard the WANM-1070 DX Test on his Sony Walkman as did Charles Reh-ON, CAN on his R390A/Sanserino Loop for Floridian #185! Graveyard Achievements for 1400 (post 1960) included Roy Millar's 2PK-NSW, AU from Marysville, WA @ 7832 miles(!) and Eric McIntosh & Laurie Boyer's logging of WJET-1400 PA from Invercargill, NZ @ 9141 miles. Pensacola, FL's Gerry Thomas reported that Harold Beverage, he of long antennas fame, had passed at age 99!
  - 10 Years Ago From the March 17, 2008 issue of *DX News*: The 'DX Time Machine' said that 25 years ago (1983) *DX News* had an April Fool's story that IRCA had folded. That didn't go over well, and the April Fools issue was abandoned several years later! Russ Edmunds of PA & NJ upped his Graveyard total to 289 stations. Among his latest were 3 Floridians at 800+ miles: WSBB-1230, WFOY-1240 & WMFJ-1450. WIL-1430 gave up its iconic call letters in a switch to the less iconic KZQZ. Dave White of Hermitage, TN authored the "DXers Notebook" column re the Pacific island of Tuvalu and its lone past station T2U2-621.

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# Domestic DX Digest – East

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For loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers in Eastern/Atlantic time zones
All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT)

#### **REPORTERS**

- **BC-NH** Bruce Conti, Nashua Excalibur SDR, variable termination 50 x 75-ft Super/Ewe antennas at 60° northeast and 180° south.
- **HJH-PA** Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre Grundig S-350, C. Crane Skywave , ALA-1530 loop, Kiwi Pocket Loop
- **KK-VA** Kraig Krist, Manassas Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+ Imperium Loop
- TLK-FL Terry Krueger, Clearwater NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop
- **PS-ON** Paul Snider, Welland Elad FDM-S2, Pixel Pro 1B loop.
- **REH-ON** Charles Reh, Leamington Elad FDM-S2 SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530LN Loop
- JW-PA Jim Weber, Oyster Point Grundig S350, Hyundai car radioLW-NY Leslie Wood, East Meadow C Crane SW, Radio Shack loop
- MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, C Crane CC Skywave, Panasonic RF-2200.

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#### **UNID**

- 580 unID -- 3/11 0733 Someone with Oldies format briefly popping up over the Mexican and WDBO with "Love Will Find A Way" by Pablo Cruise. WACQ, Tuskegee, AL seemingly the only candidate, and pointing NW. (TLK-FL)
- **980.15 unID** -- 3/1 0655 Het on 980, pointing NE/SW, so unsure if domestic or Mexi-Central American. **(TLK-FL)**
- -- 3/4 1902 in multi-station mix (WZHF, WSPO, WEED, UNID sports talk, oldies and rock stations) with end of Elvis song then male "1-2-3-4 looking for...chillin classics...depend on the shine...on...point 1." Is this WROA in Gulfport, MS? (KK-VA)
- **1400 unID** -- 3/9 1929 in multi-station mix (WKEW WSMY, WAVQ, WINC, and several UNIDs: talk, preaching, C&W and Tennessee basketball game) someone playing oldies, I believe other than WAVQ, male "1,000 watts WKBC." At least it sounded like WKBC. (**KK-VA**)
  - unID -- 3/9 1946 in multi-station mix (see above UNID logging) with male "Bringing you stereo at WBZQradio.net." At least it sounded like WBZQ. (KK-VA)
- **1430 unID** -- 3/9 1729 in multi-station mix (WNAV, WDEX, CHKT, WGFS, WDAL and UNID sports talk) male with ID sounding like "14-30 WSSC." Thinking maybe "WSSC" is actually WXNT, but 1729 ET is early for Indianapolis. Maybe WDIC, but I wasn't hearing any C&W songs. **(KK-VA)**

#### **LOGGINGS**

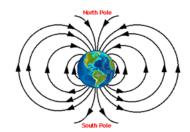
- **Sylva** 3/1 1904 "Hotel California" by the Eagles followed by woman with liner: "The River plays today's best music and the best of the classics." Male "540 AM WRGC" ID followed by woman: "Serving Sylva, Waynesville, Bryson City," into news. **(REH-ON)**
- 550 WSVA VA Harrisonburg 2/23 1737 Fair signal with "News radio 550 WSVA" ID, ad for Valley Honda of Harrisonburg. (LW-NY)
- **560 WNSR TN Brentwood** 3/12 2307 Been trying to ID this one for almost two weeks, one of two CBS Sports stations on 560 (the other is WQAM Miami). Ferrall on the Bench, national ads, "Sports Radio 560 and 95.9 FM" slogan at 2337, more ads and back to Ferrall. Fair at times to very poor in station mix including WFIL, WJLS, CFOS and a Fox News Station (probably WIND). **(PS-ON)** 
  - **CFOS ON Owen Sound** 2/23 1745 In with traffic report for local area, "560 CFOS" ID into oldies music. (LW-NY)
- **580 WILL** IL **Urbana** 3/8 1900 Presumed over CJCL-590 slop and dueling Ontario rivals CKWW and CFRA with NPR's All Things Considered. **(MKB-ON)**

- **CFRA ON Ottawa** 3/6 1811 Over CJCL-590 slop with local weather, news about support staff at Ottawa's Carleton University going on strike. **(MKB-ON)**
- **620 WHEN NY Syracuse** 2/11 1823 Fair signal with AC music, "Power 620" slogan under local WSNR. **(LW-NY)** 
  - WRJZ TN Knoxville 3/12 0705 Over WTMJ-Milwaukee with local news "on Joy 620," ad for Fox Toyota in Clinton, TN. (MKB-ON)
- **630 WMAL DC Washington** 2/24 0604 Over CFCO groundwave with local traffic, "Your WMAL Weather Channel forecast." (MKB-ON)
  - WUNO PR San Juan 2/21 0100 "Noti Uno Seis Treinta San Juan" SS slogan. Call-in type talk show. Short ad cluster and rapid ID mentioning a bunch of stations. Mixing it up with WPRO-RI and KYFI-MO with local CFCO nulled out. Previously logged as WQBS in October 1989 and as WSKN in August 1992. (REH-ON)
- **690 KGGF KS Coffeyville** 2/27 0615 Fox News Radio news feeds, break at 0620 for weather (63 high, low 40's low), ID, local news. Always fun to hear Kansas from Florida, even though it's barely Kansas. **(TLK-FL)** *Coffeyville is a mile or two north of the KS-OK state line. Mike.* 
  - **KSTL MO St. Louis** 3/4 0012 Coming in quite well tonight with urban gospel music, ad for Tax Relief Line, "...KSTL Jubilee 690" ID, more gospel music. Fair to very poor mostly under CKGM. // to Tune In stream. **(PS-ON)**
  - WELD WV Fisher 2/24 0608 Atop frequency with "more oldies, 690 WELD" ID, then Four Seasons song. (LW-NY)
- **700 WDMV MD Walkersville** 3/14 1912 Fighting nulled WLW with Mexi-pop songs, "La Jefa" slogan. **(MKB-ON)**
- **730 WVFN MI East Lansing** 3/1 1807 Presumed over CFZM-740 slop with talk on Michigan State basketball. Lost to CKAC by 1810. (**MKB-ON**)
- 740 WRNR WV Martinsburg 2/25 1700 Barely audible with PSA and illegible station promo followed by legal ID as "Talk Radio WRNR Martinsburg." They're listed as ABC but they went to CBS News. CFZM nulled to zlich. Leaves me five unheard stations in West Virginia: WAMN-1050, WBKW-1070, WKEZ-1240, WXKX-1340 and WBKE-1490. (REH-ON)
- **830 WCRN MA Worcester** 3/15 1800 Good, over WEEU; "You're listening to the Music of the North Star on WACE Chicopee and WCRN Worcester... this is the Music of the North Star with 50,000 watts of power on 830 WCRN." **(BC-NH)** 
  - **WEEU PA Reading** 3/15 1800 Under WCRN; "WEEU Reading and WEEU dot com," into ABC news. **(BC-NH)** 
    - +++ 2/17 1835 Promo for upcoming program, "Hunting and Fishing show," 7 AM Sunday on "The Voice WEEU 830 AM" into C&W music. (LW-NY)
- **840 WKDI MD Denton** 3/4 0054 On after sunset with Christian rock, "...FM C100.5" slogan at 0058, more music, FM-only ID at 0102: "This is your station for inspiration...FM C100.5, Denton," more music. Very poor and barely audible at times under WHAS. // to Tune In stream. **(PS-ON)**
- **950 KOEL IA Oelwein** 3/10 2343 C&W music, expecting a WAKM ID, but instead a clear "...KOEL..." ID at 2347 into more music. Fair for a few minutes, then very poor in station mix with WWJ and later WAKM. **(PS-ON)**
- 960 WRNS NC Kinston 2/5 0600 CBS Sports Radio with ID: "On air and online at 960thebull.com...WRNS Kinston. Mostly under WFIR Roanoke VA. Got through because WWJ-950 Detroit had their IBOC off. Previously logged as WFTC in January 1963. (REH-ON)
- 980 KOKA LA Shreveport 3/1 0659 Urban gospel revival vocal with pastor praise atop. Parallel station stream. First time here. (TLK-FL)
- 990 WNTI PA Somerset 3/15 1800 Under WDCX; Penguins Radio Network hockey. (BC-NH)
- **1050 WFAM GA Augusta** 3/1 0644 ID as "AM 10-50 WFAM" and promo for gospel program "...on WFAM, Augusta." **(TLK-FL)** 
  - **KLOH** MN Pipestone 2/24 0700 C&W music and legal ID by woman: "1050 KLOH Pipestone...more Blazin' Country after this," into Fox News. Barely above the 1050 chaos and KYW-1060 IBOC hash. (REH-ON)
  - WLYQ WV Parkersburg 2/7 1802 Mostly on top with new format of classic country and liner by woman: "The station that remembers what country is supposed to sound like, AM 1050 the new Willie." Ex-adult standards. Previously logged as WCEF in March 1963 and as WADC in October 1974. (REH-ON)

- **1070 WFLI TN Lookout Mountain** 3/11 0700 Fair; honkytonk piano instrumental leading up to ID, "This is The Legend 1070 AM WFLI Lookout Mountain-Chattanooga," and Fox news. **(BC-NH)**
- 1080 WNWI IL Oak Lawn 3/11 0702 Under WTIC; "WNWI...learn more about radio broadcasting opportunities by calling WNWI radio at 708..." New log. (BC-NH)
  - **WUFO NY Amherst** 3/4 0121 On after sunset with urban contemporary music by Lakeside and Color Me Badd, "...Power 96.5" slogan at 0127. Good to fair over WTIC. (**PS-ON**)
- **1110 WUPE MA Pittsfield** 3/15 1906 Over usual WBT with oldies, "...the greatest hits of the 60s, 70s and 80s on Whoopie FM." **(MKB-ON)**
- 1150 WLOC KY Munfordville 3/11 0036 "Suds in the Bucket" by Sara Evans, "WLOC, Studio 101" slogan at 0038, "Material Girl" by Madonna (not country, but whatever). Fair at times to very poor with CKOC. (PS-ON)
- **1160** WCCS PA Homer City 3/15 0601 Mention of Homer City and frequency ID as "101 FM and 1160" followed a minute later with the WCCS ID. In and out for a bit thereafter then lost. (JW-PA)
  - WODY VA Fieldale 03/13 0503 Coming in well for a bit after the hour, "Joy FM" slogan (not even deigning to mention that they are also on AM) and "Joy is contagious day" slogan. "Waitin' on the Word" gospel tune thereafter. (JW-PA)
- **1190 WCRW VA Leesburg** 3/15 1758 Over WOWO; English language lessons, then ID with mention of 50,000 watts, "...China Radio International, on AM 1190 WCRW Leesburg-Washington." (BC-NH)
- **1200 WOAI TX San Antonio** 3/14 0004 Don't usually hear these guys, normally WKST or WMUZ dominate. Tuned in to Grand in Your Hand promo "on News Talk 1200 WOAI," more ads, into Coast to Coast. Fair to poor mostly dominating 1200. **(PS-ON)**
- **1260 CKHJ** NB Fredericton 2/11 1805 Good dominant signal with C&W songs and "CKHJ 1260 AM and 102.5 FM, Ral Country, Real Variety" ID. Last heard as CIHI. (LW-NY)
- **1270** CJCB NS Sydney 3/15 1801 Good; "You've found Cape Breton's country favorites, 1270 CJCB Sydney, an MBS radio station." (BC-NH)
- **1300 WGDJ** NY Rensselaer 3/8 2249 In decently with "Talk 1300 and 98.7" non-ID at least acknowledging their AM frequency. (JW-PA)
  - WSSG NC Goldsboro 2/25 1755 In multi-station mix (WKCY, WJZ, WNQM, UNID NBC Sports radio) with singing and more singing, male "92.7 Jams" slogan. (KK-VA)
- **1310 WJZA GA Decatur** 2/25 1859 Presumed in multi-station mix with male "Atlanta's new smooth jazz 101.1 WJZA." I'm marking this tentative as my sources indicate this station is Spanish. Or has WJZA changed format? **(KK-VA)** *It has; see this week's AM Switch DY*.
  - WISE NC Asheville 2/25 1816 In multi-station mix with male "... on WISE sports radio 13-10, 9-70 and 97.3 FM." New station for me. (KK-VA)
  - WDKD SC Kingstree 2/25 1757 In multi-station mix (WDCT, WGH, WISE, WJZA, UNID Spanish) with "The best Carolina Gamecock's are played here on 96.3 ESPN radio..." station promo for University of South Carolina Fighting Gamecocks. (KK-VA)
  - WGH VA Newport News 2/25 1803 In multi-station mix with male "Broadcasting from the world's greatest...WGH Newport News, Norfolk, Virginia," into WGH jingle. Station promo at 1834: "This is Chuck... you're listening to 'Famous 13-10'...worldwide anytime...WGH1310.com." New station for me and a rare 3 letter call sign. (KK-VA)
- **1320 WMSR TN Manchester** 2/25 1846 In multi-station mix (WVNZ, WJAS, UNIDs with oldies, basketball game and other singing) with C&W songs, "Thunder radio" slogan. (**KK-VA**)
- 1330 WZCT AL Scottsboro 2/25 1836 In multi-station mix (WHGM, WRAA, WYRD, WPJS, WETZ and UNID Spanish), female with promo for "DeKalb Country VFW Fairgrounds, March 10 through 17th...call 256 632 2420" (area code 256 is Alabama). ID noted at 1846 "...or you may email us to WZCT..." New station for me. (KK-VA)

- WEBY FL Milton 3/5 0702 Unidentified net news, guy with local weather and "This is WEBY, northwest Florida's business radio." (TLK-FL)
- WHGM MD Havre de Grace 2/25 1730 In multi-station mix with WHGM jingle then male "Here's what's happening around northeast Maryland." (KK-VA)
- **1360 WMOB AL Mobile** 3/4 1856 In multi-station mix with male "You're listening to WMOB Mobile, WTOF Bay Minette" dual ID. WMOB is regularly heard here. **(KK-VA)** 
  - WHNR FL Cypress Gardens 3/4 1859 In multi-station mix (WMOB, WCHL, WHBG, several UNIDs playing music) with male near-ToH ID: N"serving the heart of central Florida. You're listening to kicking country 13-60 AM WHNR Cypress Gardens." New station for me. (KK-VA)
  - WCHL NC Chapel Hill 3/4 1823 In multi-station mix with male "97 9 'The Hill'" slogan. (KK-VA)
- **MD Pikesville** 3/4 1808 In multi-station mix (WSHV, WKMC, WTAB, WSPD, UNID preaching, singing and more singing) with male "Q 13-70 Baltimore's greatest hits" slogan. (**KK-VA**)
  - WLJW MI Cadillac 2/27 1758 Over usual WSPD with ID by woman at end of gospel program: "...thank you for your support of WLJN and WLJW" into Northern Michigan weather. (MKB-ON)
  - WSHV VA South Hill 3/4 1733 In multi-station mix with female "96 7 Shine FM" slogan. (KK-VA)
- **1380 WELE FL Ormond Beach** 2/23 0757 Male "…on WELE, 13-80 The Cat" then quick fade in tight local WWMI partial null. **(TLK-FL)** 
  - **WWMI FL St. Petersburg** 3/4 1830 In multi-station mix (WKJV, WAOK, UNID Spanish singing, preaching and other singing) with "...we're here for you. AM 13-80 'The Biz'...gives you the biz, 1380thebiz.com" station promo. **(KK-VA)**
  - WAOK GA Atlanta 3/4 1834 In multi-station mix with male "13-80 WAOK" ID. (KK-VA)
  - **WSYB VT Rutland** 2/25 1820 Fair signal under local WKDM with "WSYB 1380" ID into Fox Sports talk on FS 1. (**LW-NY**)
- **TN** Jackson 2/14 0500 Nicely on top with C&W music and legal ID: "WLLI-AM Jackson, W231BU East Union, WLLI-FM Dyer. Broadcasting from the Crye-Leike Blue Skies Real Estate studios. Everything looks better with Blue Skies, 512-1234. Willie 94 FM and 1390 AM." Previously logged as WTJS in April 1963. (**REH-ON**)
- **1400 WKEW NC Greensboro** 3/9 1911 In multi-station mix with male "This is WPOL Salem and WKEW W242...Greensboro online at lightthetriad.com." New station for me. **(KK-VA)** 
  - WSMY NC Weldon 3/9 1829 In multi-station mix (WKEW, WAVQ, WINC, and several UNIDs: talk, preaching, oldies, C&W and Tennessee basketball game) with "...WSMY... sports radio 1400...the valley's sports...on the world wide web...ACC tournament..." station promo. (KK-VA)
  - WICK PA Scranton 3/11 1010 Bill Flynn polka show also running on WCDL-1440 Carbondale but a good 20 seconds out of synch. (JW-PA)
- **1420 WKWN GA Trenton** 3/9 1857 Presumed in multi-station mix (WKCW, WHK, UNID singing and sports talk) with promo for "Rising Fawn Baptist Church 4411 Highway 11 South, Rising Fawn, Georgia." Trenton is near Rising Fawn. **(KK-VA)**
- **1430 WGFS GA Covington** 3/9 1926 In multi-station mix with male "You're listening to WGFS Covington, Atlanta AM 14-30 'The King'. Atlanta's number 1 station..." New station for me. **(KK-VA)** 
  - **WDAL GA Dalton** 3/9 2003 In multi-station mix with "Bulldog Country" slogan referencing University of Georgia. **(KK-VA)**
  - WDEX NC Monroe 3/9 1915 In multi-station mix (WNAV, CHKT, WGFS, WDAL and UNID sports talk) with male "This is WDEX 'Gospel 14-30' Monroe, Salem," female "You are listening to WDEX 14-30 AM in Monroe and WADE 13-40 AM in Waynesboro. So bit back and relax and let us bring sunshine to your day." (KK-VA)
- **1440 WGIG GA Brunswick** 3/9 1757 In multi-station mix (WAJR, WHKZ, UNID oldies and gospel singing) with "When news breaks find it on 1440wgig.com" station promo. **(KK-VA)**

- WHKZ OH Warren 3/11 2045 In well through the hour; into "What's Right, What's Left" program, simulcast on WHKW-1220. (JW-PA)
- **1450 WPGG NJ** Atlantic City 3/14 0500 Out of the chaos with WLEC Sandusky OH nulled. Legal ID: "104.1 FM 1450 AM WPGG Atlantic City, WENJ 97.3 HD3 Millville, South Jersey's talk radio" into Fox News. Previously logged as WFPG in July 1962. (REH-ON)
- **1470 WMMWCT Meriden** 3/3 0601 My Pillow ad, using sister station WDRC (1360, Hartford) as a promo code. In OK amongst several stations. **(JW-PA)** 
  - **WNYY NY Ithaca** 2/19 0205 "Oldies 94.1 and 1470 AM, with the hits all the time" liner into song by Herman's Hermits. **(LW-NY)**
  - **WBTX VA Broadway** 3/3 0638 Coming in well after power shift with Gospel music. No IDs, but checked // to online listen-in. **(JW-PA)**
- **1520 WPAY OH Rossford** 3/9 1200 Noticed this semi-local has flipped from Urban Family Talk to Spanish "Radio Nueva Vida" another bird-fed non-local talker. **(REH-ON)**
- **1530 WLAK WI New Holstein** 2/24 0800 Mostly over WCKY with oldies and ID: "This is WGBW Denmark-Green Bay, True Oldies 1590. The news is next from ABC at the top of the hour." Didn't hear any legal ID for 1530. **(REH-ON)**
- 1580 CKDO ON Oshawa 2/19 0246 On top with oldies, "1580 CKDO" ID into song by the Kinks. (LW-NY)
- **1600 WAAM MI Ann Arbor** 2/23 2135 Good signal with local ads. Has a talk format. Slogan, "WAAM-1600, In Touch with Your Community." **(HJH-PA)**
- **1660 WWRU NJ Jersey City** 3/10 0705 Over sports talker (presumably WQLR-Kalamazoo) with Korean gospel talk and music. **(MKB-ON)**
- **1690 KDMT CO Arvada** 2/14 0500 Just under CHTO Toronto with legal ID: "KDMT Arvada-Denver, Denver's only business station, Money Talk 1690." Previously logged as KAYK in June 1998. **(REH-ON)**



### Geomagnetic Indices

**Geomagnetic Summary February 2018** 

Via Phil Bytheway – Tabulated from email status daily (K = 0000 UTC).

Date	Flux	A	K	Space Weather	Date	Flux	A	K	Space Weather
2/ 1	69	4	1	no storms	15	73	10	3	no storms
2	69	4	0	no storms	16	72	7	2	no storms
3	69	3	1	no storms	17	69	12	2	no storms
4	73	3	1	no storms	18	70	14	2	no storms
5	74	8	1	no storms	19	69	<b>17</b>	3	minor, G1
6	77	5	1	no storms	20	68	5	0	no storms
7	77	4	0	no storms	21	68	4	1	no storms
8	78	4	2	no storms	22	68	11	4	no storms
9	78	5	2	no storms	23	68	16	2	minor, G1
10	78	6	1	no storms	24	68	9	1	no storms
11	78	3	1	no storms	25	67	4	2	no storms
12	<b>79</b>	4	1	no storms	26	70	7	3	no storms
13	76	3	1	no storms	27	68	19	1	minor, G1
14	75	3	2	no storms	2/28	69	6	1	no storms

Sx – Solar Radiation Storm Level / Gx – Geomagnetic Storm Level / Rx – Radio Blackouts Level.



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#### **TRANS-ATLANTIC DX**

- **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 4,* Droitwich et al. FEB 13 0619 Interview about economic issues. Fair and steady signal. [Beu-TX]
- ALGERIA *Jil FM*, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi FEB 5 2300 *Jil FM* ID and jingle, Jamaican-influenced male vocal; good. FEB 13 2230 *Jil FM* jingle, then "Sailing" by Christopher Cross; good. [Connelly-MA] FEB 15 0018 Pop sounding music in Arabic, "Jil FM" jingle sung by a female at 0033, more music. Poor to very poor, but quite audible at times despite CIAO slop. Parallel to *Jil FM* Tune In stream. [Snider-ON] FEB 15 0500 Parallel 549 with 'tubby' anthem; to good peak. At 2300 techno-style *Jil FM* ID, vocal; loud.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **ALGERIA** *Jil FM*, Sidi Hamadouche FEB 13 2230 Jil FM jingle, then "Sailing" by Christopher Cross parallel 531; fair. FEB 15 0500 Anthem parallel 531; to good peak. [Connelly-MA]
- **SPAIN** *RNE5* Murcia FEB 22 0501 Spanish news; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- **BULGARIA** *BNR Horizont*, Vidin FEB 16 2200 Man and woman Slavic talk, 5+1 pips, classical fanfare music; somewhat noisy but dominant.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **SPAIN** *RNE1* Madrid FEB 14 0300 RNE news intro; to good peak. FEB 22 0500 RNE news intro; good on peaks over WEZE slop. [Connelly-MA]
- ROMANIA *R.România Actualitati*, Botosani//Oradea FEB 14 0300 Choral anthem, man with "hora exacta" mention, pips, fanfare music with Morse "KS" then lower pitch "K"; good, over Spain.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **MOROCCO** *SNRT* Sebaa-Aioun FEB 22 0502 Arabic vocal; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- **SPAIN** *RNE5* Madrid FEB 19 2300 Violin music, 5+1 pips, RNE news intro; fair.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **IRAN** *VOIRI* Rasht-Kiashahr FEB 13 0001 Soft voiced man poor-fair on 702 (0-19 sec. of audio clip) parallel same talk on 1512 (after 19 sec.).{A} [Connelly-MA]
- 711.02 **IRAN** *IRIB R.Ahwaz*, Ahwaz FEB 16 2200 Talk by woman then man on characteristic offset frequency; much better audio level than what is usual for the ~711.12 W.Sahara station (which seemed to be off at the time).{A} [Connelly-MA]
  - GREENLAND KNR Simiutaq FEB 14 0242 Vocal singing, some sort of sport competition (lots of shouting), female announcer in Greenlandic (I assume), interview with a male subject. Very poor under WGN. Parallel to Tune In stream. [Snider-ON]
  - **PORTUGAL** *RDP Antena 1* synchros FEB 14 0300 4 long, 1 short pip; over jumble with RNE Canaries, HJAN, WGN. [Connelly-MA]
  - ROMANIA *R.România Actualitati* synchros FEB 16 2200 Pips (mixed with those from Portugal) then characteristic news intro music starting with Morse "KS"; poor.{A} [Connelly-MA]
  - **CANARY ISLANDS**//**SPAIN** *RNE5* Las Palmas//Cádiz FEB 6 2200 RNE news intro; fair over CBGY slop.{A} FEB 13 2230 Spanish teletalk; good. [Connelly-MA] MAR 16 0300 Fair; time marker and checks, "Radio Nacional de España, servicios informativos," parallel poor 1152 kHz. [Conti-NH]
  - **MAURITANIA** *R.Mauritanie*, Nouakchott FEB 13 2230 Blues-like North African plucked strings, male vocal; fair. [Connelly-MA]
  - **SCOTLAND** *BBC R.Scotland* synchros FEB 6 2300 *BBC R.Scotland* ID, news; over WGY.{A} [Connelly-MA]
  - **CANARY ISLANDS**//**SPAIN** *COPE* synchros FEB 19 2359 Fast Spanish talk by man, audio clip has 837 up to 24 sec. and parallel 1296 after that.{A} [Connelly-MA]
  - **ROMANIA** *R.România Actualitati*, Tancabesti FEB 6 2300 *R.România Actualitati* news intro; evenly mixed with RNE Spain.{A} [Connelly-MA]
  - **SPAIN** *RNE1* Murcia et al. FEB 6 2300 RNE news intro; evenly mixed with Romania.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- 855.07 unID FEB 13 2230 Something a bit on high side of 855.0 Spain. Also something on 855.02 kHz. [Connelly-MA]
  - **EGYPT** *ERTU* Santah FEB 13 2230 Koranic vocal, long pauses; loud. FEB 20 0000 Koranic chanting; loud.{A} [Connelly-MA]

- 900 unID FEB 13 2230 6+1 pips on half hour; in jumble. [Connelly-MA]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5* synchros FEB 20 0000 Talk about someone who'd written for Rihanna to appear on tomorrow's show, "Here on Five Live," music, deeper voiced man, "First for news, the best for live sport, this is BBC Five Live"; good.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **MOROCCO** *SNRT* Agadir FEB 6 2200 Pop female Arabic vocal, French talk by man and woman; fair.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **ALGERIA** *Chaîne* 2, Ouled Fayet FEB 20 2300 5+1 pips (last higher pitch), man and woman with news; fair.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **SPAIN** *SER* synchros FEB 13 2230 Pips and fanfare parallel 1044; way under CBY. [Connelly-MA]
- **SPAIN** *SER* San Sebastián//Valladolid FEB 13 2230 Cadena SER ID's in promotional talk, then pips; good.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- 1071 unID FEB 13 2230 Mideast vocal; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros MAR 4 0258 Good; promo into ad string beginning with "Vauxhall... since 1902" and Vauxhall rental car terms, "Initial rental £149 a month then 47 months at £149, excess miles over contracted mileage of 20,000 over 48 months charged at 5 pence per mile... offer not available with free insurance." [Conti-NH]
- **SPAIN** *SER R.Pontevedra*, Pontevedra MAR 11 0600 Poor, over unID; *R.Pontevedra* promo/ID to time marker and news. [Conti-NH]
- **ROMANIA** *R.România Actualitati*, Cluj FEB 14 0300 Parallel 603 with news intro music with Morse "KS" then lower pitch "K"; mixed with RNE Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- ROMANIA *R.România Actualitati*, Galbeni-Bacau et al. FEB 12 2300 Man with "Radio România Actualitati, hora exacta" ID, 6 pips, news intro music with Morse KS then lower pitch K; good over Cuba/WHAM slop. FEB 14 0300 Anthem, "hora exacta" mention, news intro // 603; through slop. FEB 20 0000 ID, "Radio România Actualitati, hora exacta," 6 pips, fanfare music starting with "KS"; fair through slop. [Connelly-MA] FEB 24 2200 Good; "Aici Bucaresti, Radio România Actualitati, hora exacta," time marker and check into news. [Conti-NH] FEB 26 0300 Hymn/anthem, man with "hora exacta" mention, 6 pips, news intro music with Morse "KS" then lower pitch "K"; to good peak over 1180 Cuba slop.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **IRAN** *IRIB R.Payam*, Tehran FEB 12 2300 Ascending 3-note interval signal, news-intro fanfare music; fair.{A} [Connelly-MA] FEB 24 2300 Poor; signature ascending notes into news. At 2330 a good signal with the same ascending notes marking the top of the hour in Iran. [Conti-NH] FEB 25 0100 3 ascending notes; through WLIB slop. [Connelly-MA]
- **UNITED KINGDOM** *Absolute Radio* synchros FEB 13 0000 Woman with *Absolute Radio* ID, rock vocal; good.{A} [Connelly-MA] FEB 13 0715 Weak signal but could detect rock music at times. [Beu-TX] FEB 24 2158 Good; "The Classic Rock Party on Absolute Radio," ad/promo string, "Get to the final week of the Dreams sleep event and save up to half price on mattresses and beds until Tuesday, that's what dreams are made of," etc. then presenter Chris Martin introduces the next set beginning with Aerosmith. MAR 3 0600 Excellent, transmitter site dawn enhancement; "Online, on mobile, and on digital radio, where real music matters, this is Absolute Radio," into news. [Conti-NH]
- **IRAN** *IRIB R.Kermanshah*, Kermanshah FEB 24 2300 Mideast female vocal; in slop. [Connelly-MA] FEB 25 0015 Hints of Middle Eastern music on brief fade ins; measured 1278.004 kHz offset as listed. [Conti-NH]
- **SPAIN** *COPE* Valencia FEB 19 2359 Fast Spanish talk by man, audio clip has 837 up to 24 sec. and parallel 1296 after that.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- ROMANIA *R.România Actualitati*, Galati FEB 6 2300 ID, "Radio România Actualitati, hora exacta," pips, fanfare music with Morse "KS" then lower pitch "K"; poor through slop.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- NORTHERN IRELAND BBC R.Ulster, Lisnagarvey FEB 24 2200 Fair; folk instrumental leading up to canned BBC R.Ulster ID and news. [Conti-NH]
- **LITHUANIA** *R.Liberty,* Viesintos FEB 14 0300 Russian talk by man, Radio Svoboda mention; through slop.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **MOLDOVA** *Vesti FM*, Grigoriopol FEB 15 0500 Several people in Russian, pips; in tough CJWI slop.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **ALGERIA** *R.Algérienne*, Algiers FEB 14 0300 Reverberated chant, 5+1 pips (last higher pitch), man in Arabic; to good peak. FEB 17 0000 Pips, marching band anthem; fair.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **DJIBOUTI** *R.Sawa*, Arta FEB 19 2301 Sawa ID in Arabic talk by man, pop Mideast vocal; fair through WNSW slop.{A} [Connelly-MA]

- 1467 **FRANCE** *TWR* Roumoules FEB 13 2230 Man in Arabic; WLAM slop. FEB 16 2201 U.S. accent English male preacher translated by man into Arabic at regular intervals; good.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- 1485 **SPAIN** SER synchros FEB 24 2300 Spanish news by man; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- IRAN IRIB R.Ardabil, Ardabil FEB 13 0001 Soft voiced man poor-fair on 702 (0-19 sec. of audio clip) parallel same talk on 1512 (after 19 sec.) getting to a good peak over co-channel Saudi Arabia which had Koranic vocal.{A} [Connelly-MA] FEB 25 0009 Good; Farsi speaker with Iran mentions. A few minutes earlier heard flute music and a female announcer, if not from Iran then possibly Greece on brief fade in. [Conti-NH]
- 1512 **SAUDI ARABIA** *SBC R.Quran*, Jeddah FEB 25 0101 Koran; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *SBC R.Riyadh*, Duba FEB 24 2200 Good; ID with Middle Eastern orchestra music bed, "Idha'at mamlakah al arabia til saudia..." [Conti-NH]
- 1521 **SPAIN** SER R.Castellón, Ctra Valencia FEB 22 0500 Pips, Cadena SER mention; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1530 **ROMANIA** *R.România Actualitati*, Radauti FEB 13 0000 ID, "Radio România Actualitati, hora exacta," 6 pips, news intro music; mixed with WCKY.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- 1530 **SAO TOME E PRINCIPE** *VOA* Pinheira FEB 14 0300 Yankee Doodle sign-on music; under WCKY. [Connelly-MA]
- 1539 **SPAIN** SER Elche//Manresa FEB 22 0459 Spanish talk; in slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1575 **IRAN** Qeshm FEB 14 0300 Buzz jammer; dominant. [Connelly-MA]

Transatlantic carrier search: MAR 2 0113 – I check below 800, and find +1 kHz hets next to 530, and at 0120 next to 620 kHz. 531 is assumed to be Algeria, usually accompanied by 549, but not now, while 621 is assumed to be Canary Islands. MAR 4 0706 – 531, 549, 621, 693, 711, 1044, 1215 kHz, but almost gone by now as Euro sunrises earlier. MAR 9 0206-0216 – 531, 585, 621, 639, 693, 702, 711, 729, 738, 747, 774(2), 801, 837, 855, 882, 909, 936(2), 954, 963, 999, 1044(2), 1053(-), 1089(2), 1098, 1116, 1125(-)(2), 1152, 1179, 1215\*, 1296, 1314, 1458, 1503, 1575 kHz. \*stronger; (2) more than one carrier beating; (-)slightly on the low side. What's the point? Just quickly discovering what signals are really there, even with far too much domestic interference to audiblize programming. [Hauser-OK]

#### PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 539.86 **NICARAGUA** *R.Corporación,* Managua FEB 17 0418 News talk with male announcers. Peaking to good signal. [Beu-TX]
  - HONDURAS ABC Radio, Tegucigalpa MAR 15 1115 Announcements by man, many "ABC Radio" ID's and a three ascending notes doorbell signal. Fair signal. [Beu-TX]
  - PUERTO RICO WPAB Ponce FEB 15 0000 Man with ID, "Aquí WPAB... Ponce... Puerto Rico"; good/dominant.{A} [Connelly-MA]
  - VENEZUELA YVKE Mundial, Caracas FEB 20 0101 Mundial ID, music; fair to good.{A} [Connelly-MA]
  - MEXICO XEMU *La Rancherita del Aire*, Piedras Negras, Coah. FEB 25 1256 Baladas, ID by woman at 1259, "Desde Piedras Negras, Coahuila, México... La Rancherita del Aire, XEMU, quinientos-ochenta AM y XHEMU ciento tres punto siete FM..." with address, phone number, website also given; followed by talk program. [Vance-TX]
  - 580 **MEXICO** XELRDA *La Rancherita del Aire*, Piedras Negras, Coah. MAR 6-13 1058-1200 – An aggregate of eight consecutive days trying to nail down this one. Pointing east/west and suspected something domestic, as no Mexican anthem at 1100 or 1200, and commercials sometimes with pricing in (U.S.) dólares, though nothing U.S. on 580 listed with this format. Mexi-tunes and fairly long commercial breaks, always has news 1130-1140 (after the change to DST) with alternating man and woman. Not parallel XEYI, Cancún station stream which is English alternative pop/rock, and no functioning stream for XEAV Guadalajara located. Then finally on March 12, a commercial with clear mention of Piedras Negras. suspected it's this one, but again no functioning stream located. On March 13, a commercial for "Toyota del Río... Kelly Bluebook..." which when Googled confirms a Toyota of Del Rio dealership, 58 miles northeast of Piedras. Then a clear mention of Coahuila by man and La Rancherita del Aire by female going into the news at 1130 UTC. So, it's this one, which is listed as XEMU in the 2018 WRTH, however Wiki states, "In the IFT-4 radio auction of 2017, La Rancherita del Aire bought back its former AM frequency of 580, which now has the callsign XELRDA-AM." It's also listed as simulcasting XHEMU 103.7 FM. Some persistent WDBO Orlando co-channel which then dominates from 1200 UTC. [Krueger-FL]
  - 580 **PUERTO RICO** WKAQ San Juan FEB 14 1000 ID, "WKAQ Cinco Ochenta AM San Juan," affiliates list; over WDBO, WTAG, et al. [Connelly-MA]

- **MEXICO** XEPH *Sabrosita* 590, México, DF FEB 11 0200 Woman with Sabrosita mentions; noted during audio pauses on much stronger WEZE.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **MEXICO** XEBH Hermosillo, Son. MAR 4 1259 ID by deep-voiced man at 1259 after banda music, followed by another announcement into Mexican national anthem, then back into the bandas. [Vance-TX]
- **NICARAGUA** *Radio Ya*, Managua FEB 16 0300 Multiple "Ya" ID's followed by announcements by woman. Weak signal. [Beu-TX]
- **BRAZIL** ZYL268 *R.Itatiaia*, Belo Horizonte FEB 25 0000 Fast Portuguese talk by man; mixed with WGIR, WIOD, WTEL, HJKL, Rebelde mess. [Connelly-MA]
- **PUERTO RICO** WUNO San Juan FEB 14 0300 NotiUno, Seis Treinta, and San Juan mentions; often over WPRO. [Connelly-MA]
- 640.36 unID FEB 25 0000 Weak het against CBN, YVQO, Cuba tangle. [Connelly-MA]
  - **COLOMBIA** HJKH, *RCN Antena Dos*, Bogotá FEB 14 0000 4-ascending-notes RCN attention signal, pips; mixed with Cuba, CKGA, WSRO, others. [Connelly-MA]
- MEXICO XETNT *Radio 65*, Los Mochis, Sin. MAR 15 1244 Hard-sell ad string starting with Frutería Sergio, somewhere in Sinaloa, 687-prefix phones. Signal exploding, and at this hour the only significant Mexican below 1050 XEG which is already weakening, losing out. Reconfirms that XETNT really gets out by skywave. Just after our Enid sunrise at 1242 UTC today, heading for equinox time of 1232, i.e. 32 minutes west of the CST central meridian which ought to put us in the UTC-7 zone; plus an hour of DST. [Hauser-OK]
- **VENEZUELA** YVLL *R.Rumbos*, Caracas FEB 15 2300 Man, "Radio Rumbos, la emisora de Venezuela presenta..."; fair, dominant.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **PUERTO RICO** WAPA San Juan FEB 15 0001 "Wapa Radio" jingle, man with news and Wapa Radio ID; mixed with WRKO.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- MEXICO unID FEB 28 1202 Unabridged anthem in progress until 1205, but threshold in WAQI and *R.Rebelde* co-channel. Then another present even weaker with anthem ending at 1206 UTC. XEMP *La Nueva 710* recently heard here, so suspect one was them, but the other? [Krueger-FL]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites MAR 11 1100 Good, over WOR; choral national anthem parallel 670 and 1620 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- **COLOMBIA** HJAN *Emisoras Unidas*, Barranquilla FEB 16 0000 Rustic accordion music, man with Barranquilla mention, attention fanfare, *Emisoras Unidas* ID; fair over others.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **NICARAGUA** *R.Católica*, Managua FEB 13 0232 Woman in religious talk. Peaking to good signal. Typically signing off at 0430 UTC. [Beu-TX]
- **VENEZUELA** YVKS, *RCR*, Caracas MAR 15 0338 News/talk format with "RCR" ID's. Good steady signal. [Beu-TX]
- **COLOMBIA** HJFV *R.Viva*, Pasto FEB 14 1000 *R.Viva* jingles and spoken ID's; mixed with WBBM.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- BONAIRE PJB *TransWorld Radio*, Kralendijk FEB 9 2300 Glory Train program with man in English mentioning the TWR Bonaire power upgrade to 450 kW. Promo for Bonaire calendar, postcards. Fair over others, not necessarily any better here than the lower power used previously. FEB 11 0200 Radio Transmundial, Bonaire, and Caribe Holandes mentions in Spanish talk; mixed with domestics. FEB 13 0100 Radio Transmundial and Bonaire mentions; to good peak and generally dominant. FEB 14 0000 Woman with Radio Transmundial ID in Spanish talk; good, over CKLW, CJAD. FEB 20 0100 Woman, "Ocho cientos AM, transmitiendo desde Bonaire"; good.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJCY *Caracol Radio*, Bogotá FEB 14 0000 CARACOL Radio ID; mixed with WGY. [Connelly-MA] MAR 15 1102 Spanish news talk with man and woman announcers. Fair signal. [Beu-TX]
- **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** HIJB Santo Domingo FEB 20 0100 Time check 9 p.m. and several HIJB ID's; burying WCRN.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, Chambas FEB 24 2300 Progreso theme music; mixed with domestics. [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** COCO La Habana-El Sapo MAR 4 1159 Highly truncated anthem followed by female ID. Kinda odd anthem time, 7 a.m. local. [Krueger-FL]
- **ARGENTINA** LS10 *R.del Plata*, Buenos Aires FEB 17 0000 ID, "Radio Noticias del Plata"; just a bit behind WBZ.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJAI *R.Tropical*, Barranquilla FEB 14 1000 Barranquilla mentions; mixed with WCHR. FEB 17 0000 Man, "Transmitiendo desde Barranquilla, Colombia, América del Sur, Radio Tropical"; over jumble-mess of WCHR, WURN, Cuba, et al.{A} [Connelly-MA]

- 1060 **CUBA** *Radio* 26, Jovellanos FEB 26 0300 Radio Veintiseis (26) ID, folk female vocal; some audio distortion; over KYW. FEB 27 0600 Man, "Esta es Radio 26"; over domestics.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- 1060 **MEXICO** XEEP *R.Educación*, México, DF MAR 4 1202 End of anthem, female, "Esta es XEEP, Radio Educación, 1060 AM..." into kiddie singing and giggling. [Krueger-FL]
- BRAZIL ZYJ458 *R.Globo*, Rio de Janeiro FEB 14 2300 Automated wolf whistles; under WHKW. FEB 20 0100 *R.Globo* jingles; mixed with WHKW.{A} [Connelly-MA]
- 1610 **MEXICO** XEUACH *R.Chapingo*, Chapingo, Edo.Méx. FEB 16 0138 Rock/rap music; mixing with CHHA. College station type programming. Excellent steady signal. [Beu-TX]
- 1620 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* La Habana-El Sapo//Amancio//El Coco//Guantánamo-Antiguo MAR 16 2330 Fair with synchro echo; sounder and announcement. [Conti-NH]
- 1660 **PUERTO RICO** WGIT Canovanas FEB 13 0829 Religious programming with talk by man. Fair signal peak. [Beu-TX]

#### **TRANS-PACIFIC DX**

- JAPAN JOUB Akita MAR 6 1316 Man and woman in high-spirited conversation, using short phrases and sentences, undoubtedly the usual English language lesson. Spotty reception but enough to parallel it to 747 and 693, also NHK-2 outlets. Also noted on MAR 7 with gal singing "Scarborough Fair" to end program, followed by 3 long and one short time pip. Unusually good TP propagation this spring, probably because we're at or near the sunspot minimum. Japan hets also noted on 594, 729, 828, and 873 kHz. [Wilkins-CO]
- 972 **SOUTH KOREA** HLCA Dangjin MAR 7 1301 Talk in presumed Korean, with short music bytes separating items. Good het but just scraps of audio here and there. Presumed. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1566 **SOUTH KOREA** HLAZ Cheju MAR 7 1325 Choral music noted, rather weak, but happy to get any TP audio this time of year. Presumed. [Wilkins-CO]

*Transpacific carrier search*: MAR 8 1255-1304 – Just after today's sunrise of 1252 UTC (I haven't done this in quite a while, as need sleep staying up too late), 594, 612, 693, 702, 774, 828, 846, 882, 936, 1098, 1548, 1566 kHz. The last, stronger one, presumably South Korea is still audible at 1320 UTC. Most of the other ones correlate with NHK Japan. Unlike my evening TA carrier searches, the TP's are done with the wrist-alt-azimuth DX-398 so I can detect the directions unless just too weak. [Hauser-OK]

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73 and Good DX!

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# DX Toolbox

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Greetings once again from the Heart of the Continent and welcome to the DX Tool Box Column number 101.

#### The Way Back Machine Videos:

This time we have fun with towers.

Tower feed point: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2MPtdHcm4i8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2MPtdHcm4i8</a>
Listening to a tower: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uo9nGzIzSPw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uo9nGzIzSPw</a>

How to listen to the radio using plants (not in English but good):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6tpKfx aPFU

#### Bits and Bites from the NRC listserv:

Celebrations of note:

From: Robert S. Ross VA3SW, London ON

Re: New State and #2100

I checked my 0700 EST Recording today and it was Dead as a Doorknob!!! So I thought I'll check the 0800 Recording to see if things got any better!! YUP ... it did ... Just bagged NEW STATE # 47 OREGON! That just leaves IDAHO, ALASKA, and HAWAII ... so realistically ... IDAHO is my only hope to add any more States from here in London, ON.

RECEIVER is ... ELAD FDM-S2 SDR

ANTENNA is ... WELLBROOK ALA-1530LNP Imperium Loop

720 KFIR Sweet Home, Oregon – 1/18/2018 0800 EST – EE – Fair – Heard under WGN but quite readable! Male DJ with ID @ 0800 as "News Talk One – The Voice of the Valley – 720 AM KFIR." Into news read by Male DJ @ 0800-0802.

Here is my report for the few weeks. Very little time for DX and even less time to review older recordings I made. Only real highlight this time around is AM BCB Station # 2100 logged!! 710 WUFF Eastman, Georgia – 12/20/2017 1658 EST – EE – Fair – Under WOR NYC. Male DJ with Talk @ 1658. More Talk under WOR and another ID on hour as "WUFF." Then lost or signed off??? AM BCB STN # 2,100 logged.

From: Shawn Axelrod, Winnipeg MB

Re: Number 2700

1190 WBHA MN Wabasha – 12/16 1710 – Faded up all alone on the frequency with NO KKOJ mega pest with country music and ID with both AM and FM frequencies given. NEW! Station #2700 on Broadcast band so I did make my goal for 2017.

73 for this time Shawn

Remember On A Clear Day You Can Hear Forever

#### NOAA Space Weather Outlook

Issued March 12, 2018 – For the period March 12-April 7, 2018 <a href="http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/products/weekly-highlights-and-27-day-forecast">http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/products/weekly-highlights-and-27-day-forecast</a>

Solar activity is expected to continue at very low levels throughout the outlook period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to reach high levels on 18-25 Mar with moderate levels expected on 17, 26-30 Mar. Normal flux levels are expected throughout the remainder of the outlook period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to reach G1 (Minor) geomagnetic storm levels on 18 and 26 Mar and active levels are expected on 15-17, and 21 Mar due to the influences of multiple, recurrent coronal hole high speed streams. Generally quiet and quiet to unsettled conditions are expected for the rest of the outlook period as a nominal solar wind regime prevails.

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Station loggings and tips should be sent to <u>Domestic DX Digest</u> (for stations in the United States and Canada) or <u>International DX Digest</u> (for all other stations). DDXD in turn is divided into East and West columns, with the line between the Eastern and Central Time Zones as the boundary. By longstanding custom, DDXD uses Eastern Local Time (meaning EST or EDT, depending on the season) and IDXD uses Universal Time (UTC). These columns run in every issue of *DX News*.

By and large, loggings should be current (usually not more than one month old) and should give some details of the logging. The goal is to provide a tip that fellow DXers would find helpful in hearing the station themselves. Loggings should be of unusual or rare stations for you. For DDXD, loggings of 50 kW "clear channel" stations within 600 miles or so, or stations you hear on a regular basis, should not be submitted. The rule of thumb is to report a domestic station not more than once a year. However, station news such as changes in format, call sign, patterns of reception, etc., can justify exceptions to these rules of thumb.

Your editors will very much appreciate it if you submit your loggings in the format you see here in print in *DX News*. For example, dates should be "4/14" in DDXD and "APR 14" in IDXD. The more time editors spend changing each of your loggings that say "4-14" or "04/14," the less time they have to focus on the content of the column (and the more irate they'll be when they see your next submission). Please try to keep abbreviations to a minimum; many *DX News* readers are not native English speakers. Ham abbreviations (other than QRM for man-made interference, e.g. other stations, and QRN for naturally occurring interference, e.g. static, which seem to be common usage among MW DXers) should not be used – your publisher is particularly not fond of "OM" and "YL," not to mention "XYL," which strike him as a bit dated and sexist for use in print these days.

Stations that still "verify" receptions with written or electronic responses to DXer reports are reported to <u>Confirmed DXer</u> (published every two months).

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Fifty years ago, most of *DX News* was devoted to <u>Musings of the Members</u>, edited for many years by the late Ernie Cooper, with narratives from each member about recent loggings and other activities. Today, Musings is rarely used to report loggings, but we still encourage members to write in about their DX activities and comment on the hobby and the club. Active debate and discussion is good, but please keep it DX-related. Virtually every political and personal viewpoint can be found in the NRC, but we have many other places to debate those things. Here, we share the hobby of DXing, and even if we differ on other matters, we can be brought together by radio.

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