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CPC Chairman: The National Radio Club digital AM broadcasting uses less spectrum than Board of Directors and the Board of Directors of the International Radio Club of America are pleased to announce the appointment of Les the joint Courtesy Program Committee Chairman for our clubs. Les recently volunteered when changes to his schedule made it possible to take on this task. We want to thank Les for volunteering and look forward to many future DX tests. We hope to hear from Les with his plans for the Courtesy Program Committee soon!

**Annual WRTH Raffle**: The National Radio Club WRTH drawing is history! The lucky winners are Richard L. Evans, John Wilkins, David Roys, and Phillip Zmenkowski. We had one selected winner who told us that he had acquired a copy elsewhere and asked that we draw another name, which we did. Thanks to everyone who entered.

**From the FCC**: The FCC is looking for written comments on its proposal to allow AM stations to move to all-digital operations on a voluntary basis. One station, WWFD-820 in Frederick MD, has been doing this on an experimental basis since 2018. It's thought that, if the proposal is accepted, stations with FM translators would probably be the first to adopt digital-only broadcasting, as the FM signal would still be available to listeners who have digital-capable receivers. don't AM the FCC, According interference would probably improve, as all- Tudenham.

hybrid analog/IBOC broadcasting - but cochannel QRM is an issue. Comments can be submitted through March 9 at the FCC's comment portal at <a href="https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/">https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/</a>; refer to proceeding number 19-311. For more info see the FCC notice available at this link.

## Volume 87 DXN Schedule

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## **Membership Report**

"First joined NRC in Dec. 1958. Lived in Amarillo Texas, then, and I met John Callarman, Larry Godwin, Ross Harp, and others. Now age 90. 73's" – John Tudenham

New Members: Welcome to Nathaniel Homier, Helena, MT; James Malespina, South Orange, NJ; William McShan, Oklahoma City, OK; and Donald Neumeyer, Madison, WI.

**Renewing Members**: Thanks for the ongoing support of Ken Englert; Phil Harris; Jefferson E. adjacent-channel Lewis; John R. Stacy; William D. Swiger; and John



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# AM Switch

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## FCC and CRTC Decisions and Applications

## **CALL LETTER CHANGES**

**1050 WRWM SC Conway** – Call change to WAYS (Feb. 13).

**1500 WAYS GA Macon** – Call change to WRWM (Feb. 13).

**1550** KNSH TX Canyon – Call change to KLSZ (Feb. 20; station is silent).

## **NEW STATIONS**

**ON Saint Catharines** – New station is on the air with U1 1000/1000 for the moment per their Facebook page; heard by Bruce Conti.



## **STATIONS GOING DARK**

**620 KWAL ID Wallace** – License cancelled by the FCC; silent since Sept. 1, 2018.

1630 WRDW GA Augusta – License surrendered by licensee Sept. 27, 2019.

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

CPs fully licensed and on the air:

1150 WHUN PA Huntingdon – Granted license to cover CP with U1 1000/36.

**1230 WDWR FL Pensacola** – Granted license to cover CP with U1 790/790, adjusted coordinates 30-25-59/87-13-08.

**1340 WTYS** FL Marianna – Granted license to cover CP with U1 780/780, adjusted coordinates 30-45-48/85-13-52.

**1400 WLLH MA Lawrence** – Granted license to cover CP to close Lowell site and make the former Lawrence synchronous site the licensed and only site, U1 1000/1000.

CPs built, nearing final licensing (and may be on air):

**1240 KELK NV Elko** – Applies for license to cover CP at new site 40-51-56/115-43-09.

**1440 KHLY ID Hailey** – Applies for license to cover CP with U1 270/170, CoL ex-Pocatello ID, new site 43-32-59/114-19-17. Has been on the air from this site since Jan. 1.

**1510 WCAZ** IL Carthage – Applies for license to cover CP with D1 330, CoL ex-Macomb IL, new site (tower of now-deleted WCAZ-990) 40-24-31/91-10-12.

**1600 WPDC PA Elizabethtown** – Applies for license to cover CP with U1 1000/7.

## CPs granted:

1150 WSNW SC Seneca – Granted CP for U1 500/58, existing site.

**1460** KARR WA Kirkland – Granted CP for U1 740/19, new site 47-41-47/122-09-51.

## Application for CP filed:

**660 WESC SC Greenville** – Applies for CP with D1 5000, diplexed with WGVL-1440 at 34-52-06/82-28-05.

**730 KDAZ NM Albuquerque** – Applies for CP with U1 500/65 on 700 kHz, existing site.

#### SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)

## STAs granted:

**1250 KZDC TX San Antonio** – Granted STA, parameters at variance, night pattern is unstable.

**1380 WWRF FL Lake Worth** – Granted STA, U1 90/90, unipole at 26-47-58/80-04-32; has lost lease to licensed site.

**1390 WEGP ME Presque Isle** – Granted STA, U1 2500/2500, fire at transmitter site.

**1480** WLMV WI Madison – Granted STA, parameters at variance (using U4 5000/3000).

**1490 WGCH CT Greenwich** – Granted STA, U1 300/300, Information Station Specialists HPR.0990 High Performance AM Antenna on the roof of a 4-story building at 41-01-27/73-37-53; supersedes prior STA application reported in issue #9.

**1540** WNWR PA Philadelphia – Granted STA, U1 1200/7 from CP site, has lost licensed site.

Applications for STAs filed:

**1000 WVWI VI Charlotte Amalie** – Applies for STA to operate 7 a.m.-7 p.m. local time only during rebuild of studios.

Extensions granted to existing STAs:

- **640 WMEN FL Royal Palm Beach** Granted STA extension, U4 25000/4500, Cuba QRM.
- 930 KSDN **SD** Aberdeen – Granted STA extension, U1 1250/250.
- 1020 KCKN NM Roswell – Granted STA extension, reduced power (says it's using U4 1000/1000 but reported using higher power than that).
- **CA** Wasco-Greenacres Granted STA extension, U3 10000/10000, night pattern 24h. 1180 KERN
- **CA Ridgecrest** Granted STA extension, reduced power (using U1 205/205). 1240 KLOA
- **1330 WBGW IN** Evansville Granted STA extension, minor parameters at variance.
  - KKPZ **OR Portland** – Granted STA extension, parameters at variance.
- **OR** Hermiston Granted STA extension, U3 500/500, night pattern 24 hours. 1360 KOHU
- **SD Aberdeen** Granted STA extension, U1 650/58, from KSDN-930 tower. 1420 KGIM
  - WA Reston Granted STA extension, U1 250/125, from KYIZ-1620 tower. KRIZ
- **NJ Florence** Granted STA extension, minor parameters at variance. 1460 WIFI
- 1480 WSPY **Geneva** – Granted STA extension, U1 125/125, LW at 41-51-11/88-19-38.

## Applications to extend existing STAs received:

- FL Panama City Applies to extend STA, U1 500/500.
- **1250 WGAM NH Manchester** Applies to extend STA, minor parameters at variance.
- CA Ridgecrest Applies to extend STA, reduced day power (using U1 250/31). 1360 KWDJ
- **1370** WCOA FL Pensacola Applies to extend STA, U3 2000/2000, night pattern 24 hours.
- **CA Helendale** Applies to extend STA, U1 50/50, 170′ LW at 34-45-54/117-14-49. 1450 KQTE
  - **KIKR TX Beaumont** – Applies to extend STA, reduced power (using U1 600/600).
- **CA** Palmdale Applies to extend STA, U1 1250/1250. 1470 KUTY
- 1480 WTOX **VA Glen Allen** – Applies to extend STA, U1 1570/375.
- 1580 WPJK **SC** Orangeburg – Applies to extend STA, D1 500 from CP site.

## SILENT STATIONS

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

- NC Carolina Beach Silent Aug. 1 (2019); back on the air Feb. 14. 1180 WLTT
- ME Presque Isle Silent Aug. 24 (2019); on the air with STA Feb. 13. 1390 WEGP
- **1480 WRCK NY Remsen** Silent June 30 (2019); back on the air Nov. 3 (2019).

## Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:

- **1000 WCMX MA Leominster** Silent Jan. 14; station is for sale.
- **1290 WRPA RI Providence** Silent Feb. 19; economic reasons.
- VT Saint Albans Silent Feb. 6; financial difficulties. 1420 WRSA
- 1690 WMLB GA Avondale Estates Back on FCC silent list; as previously noted, reactivated briefly Jan. 14 to keep the license alive but went silent again Jan. 16.

# NRC AM Log updates

- WA Wenatchee Slogan to "NewsRadio 560." 560 KPQ
- CA Alturas Format to NOS (ex-ETH/TLK); slogan to "America's Best Music," 570 KCFJ networks to C/WW1.
- **580 KUBC CO Montrose** – Format to CLR (ex-TLK); drop slogan, networks.
  - PA Harrisburg Adds // W279EC-103.7. (FCC)TN Rockwood Drop networks. WHP
  - WXRH
- **680 WDBC MI Escanaba** Adds // W233CT-94.5. (JJR)
- 730 KWOA MN Worthington Networks to C/Mn/Bf/MnF/AGt/FSR/FAN/NOR/LCL.
- NM Albuquerque Slogan "96.3 NewsRadio," add // KKOB-FM-96.3; delete Group. **770 KKOB**
- TN Johnson City Format to TLK (ex-GOS); slogan to "East Tennessee's Best." **790 WETB**
- 840 WKDI **MD Denton** – Format to GOS (ex-REL).
- **WKDA TN Lebanon** Networks to THN. (JJR) 900
- **Metropolis** Slogan & Grp= Real Country 920. 920 WMOK IL
- **MT** West Yellowstone Networks to W1n/WW1. **KWYS** 930 WFAT **MI** Battle Creek – Format to CLR (ex-UC:AC).



1050 KTBL NM Los Ranchos – Format to Rock (ex-TLK); slogan to "94 Rock," adds // K233CG-94.5, drop networks.

**UT** South Salt Lake – Format to CLR (ex-ETH/TLK), drop slogan. 1060 KDYL

1090 WAQE WI Rice Lake – Adds // W299CQ-107.7. (FCC)

1100 KFNX **AZ** Cave Creek – Networks to Fox/WW1/CMP.

1150 WAVO SC Rock Hill – Adds // W228EJ-93.5. (FCC)
 1230 KIFW AK Sitka – Adds // K272FV-102.3. (FCC)

WGUY ME Veazie – Slogan to "The Legends." NY Schenectady – Adds // W246DS-97.1. (FCC) **1240 WPTR** 

1250 WCHO OH Washington Court House – Slogan to "Oldies 1250."

**WA Seattle** – Slogan & Group to Grp= Radio Punjab. KKDZ

**WI** Amery – Adds // W297CU-107.3. (FCC) **1260 WXCE** 

**1270 WMKT MI Charlevoix** – Slogan & Group to Grp= The Talk Station. NM Alamogordo – Networks to Fox/TRN/Ru/JBo/WW1/DR/C2C. KINN

**1280 WIPC** FL Lake Wales – Adds // W245DO-96.9. (FCC)

TX Abilene – Slogan to "Lonestar 1280." **KSLI** 

1300 KSMD **AR** Searcy – Slogan to "106.5 Lite." NV Carson City – Slogan & Group to Grp= Cowboy Country 102.5. (BH) KCMY

1370 KAWW AR Heber Springs – Šlogan to "Dam Country."

**CA** Carmel – Slogan & Group to Grp= The Locals Station For the Monterey Bay. 1410 KRML

**TX** Marshall – Adds // K273DH-102.5. (FCC) KCUL

**MO** Carrollton – Format to TLK (ex-CLR); networks to P/Ru, drop slogan. 1430 KROL

ID Pocatello – Adds // K279DA-103.7. (FCC) 1440 KHLY

FL Tallahassee – Adds // W237FB-95.3. (FCC) 1450 WTAL WWSC NY Glens Falls – Adds // W226CP-93.1. (BC) WQWK PA State College – Adds // W279DK-103.7. (FCC)

**AZ** Show Low – Delete // K300CL-107.9. 1470 KXSL

**SD** Mitchell – Adds // K267CN-101.3. 1490 KORN

**TN** Lebanon – Networks to THN. (JJR) WCOR

OR Oregon City - Format to Russian: REL (ex-ETH); slogan to "Portland Christian 1520 KQRR Radio." (BH)

**CO** Colorado Springs – Slogan & Group to Grp= Mountain Country. 1530 KOSC

1550 KWBC **TX** College Station – Slogan to "Willie 1550 & 98.7," networks to WW1.

WA Pacific – Slogan & Group to Grp= Radio Punjab. 1560 KZIZ

1570 WBGZ **Alton** – Adds // W296DR-107.1; delete // W232CR-94.3.

AR Van Buren – Slogan to "The Sports Hog 1580 AM," delete // K266BS-101.1. 1580 KHGG

**CA Torrance** – Adds // K292HC-106.3. 1650 KFOX

> **TX** El Paso – Format to SS:SPT (ex-SS:SPT); slogan to "TUD N," networks to TUDN. KSVE – From Robert Vance El Paso " I tuned through them on 15 Feb at 0541 MST and they were doing sports. Currently (February 22) they are broadcasting TUDN sports at the present time as well. (These in response to my inquiry after many of the Broadcast Media were reporting a switch back to SS:MEX and as Radio La Suavecita. *This remains SS:SPT – wwh)*

## **New Groups**

Grp= Cowboy Country 102.5 – KCMY-1300, K273AF-102.5, K235DC-94.9 (BH)

Grp= Mountain Country – KQSC-1530, K249FK-97.7, K297BQ-107.3

Grp= Radio Punjab - KKDZ-1250, KZIZ-1560, K263BJ-100.5

Grp= Real Country 920 – WMOK-920, W229DI-93.7, W284CG-104.7

Grp= The Locals Station for the Monterey Bay – KRML 1410, K234DH-94.7, K271BP-94.9

Grp= The Talk Station – WMKT-1270, W272CR-102.3, W277DY-103.3

#### **Group Changes**

Grp= 103.7 The Oasis adds KSFE-96.7 Grants

Grp= Pirate Radio adds W224EI-92.7 Greenville

Grp= The Talk of Mid-Utah adds K253BX-98.5 Marysville

## **Deleted Groups**

Grp= 96.3 News Radio





STATE COLLEGE'S

## "Curiouser and curiouser, said Alice"

Bruce Conti emailed me this week "New translator for 780 WCKB per sign-off announcement, no longer using 97.7 W249DE, confirmed with a search of the FCC FM Query for 102.7 translators in North Carolina and found W274CA:" So I diligently looked up the Facility ID for W274CA and it's 93127. I went to add W247CA to the logbooks data table for translators and received an error "Facility ID already in the translator table" So I went to my handy look up crossed reference what AM station had a translator using Facility ID 93127, The answer? WCKB-780! Come to find out FCC is now licensing the same facility on two channels!

Translator lookup									
LOG Call	Fmq Call	Frequency	FM-Status	Fac-ID-Number	City	State			
WCKB	W274CA	102.7	LIC	93127	DUNN	NC			
WCKB	W249DE	102.7	СР	93127	DUNN	NC			
WCKB	W249DE	97.7	LIC	93127	DUNN	NC			

contractor) that drive the FM Query that they straighten this kind of situation out.

My master table shows that the CP for W249DE is now licensed as W274Ca but W249DE both licensed and CO were left in the FM Query table! I sent a copy of this to Dale Bickel who oversees "The "Q's" (AM & FM Queries) and his response "I made a similar complaint about another translator recently, essentially the same scenario. Logic and LMS don't go hand in hand; I often wonder what the contractors are thinking. (Not sure I really want to know.) " Dale. We hope that as they continue to implement the new Licensing and Management System (as Dale pointed out a government

## From Radio Insight

**Four St. Louis area stations are on the verge of deletion** or forced sale as the FCC's Administrative Law Judge dismissed the 2012 license renewals for Entertainment Media Trust's 1190 KQQZ Fairview Heights IL, 1430 KZQZ St. Louis, 1490 KFTK East St. Louis IL, and 1510 WQQW Highland IL for failure to prosecute. The stations were acquired by the trust between 2006 and 2012. A petition to deny was filed for their 2012 license renewals in which local resident Mark Kern stated that the trust was being run by Bob Romanik, despite he being ineligible to hold an FCC license as a convicted felon (obstruction of justice and bank fraud). The FCC concluded in a previous investigation that Romanik provided all of the funds for the acquisition of the stations, but while not listed as a party in any FCC filing they supported Kern's claim that Romanik held de facto control over the stations including negotiating an LMA agreement for 1490 KFTK with Emmis Communications (and now Entercom). The FCC stated that Entertainment Media Trust, which also operates as Insane Broadcasting Company, failed or was inable to provide responsive information to the agency and is setting up the hearing to establish whether there has been an undisclosed de facto transfer of control of the Stations to Romanik, EMT engaged in misrepresentation and/or lack of candor in its applications and other communications with the Commission, or if the Trust shields Romanik or the Trust's beneficiaries from holding attributable interests in the Stations under the Commission's ownership attribution policies. Today's ruling comes after trustee Dennis Watkins failed to make an appearance before the court on multiple occasions after first attempting to take the trust into Chapter 7 bankruptcy proceedings. Watkins finally submitted a pleading in January that the judge considered to be

procedurally and substantively deficient. The judge then ordered Entertainment Media Trust to show cause by February 10 why the applications should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute, which he did not respond to. While today's decision also dismisses the previous grant of a CP for 102.9 W275CS Highland IL to rebroadcast 1510 WQQW it does not yet delete the licenses. The FCC must still rule on whether they will be deleted or a sale will be forced. In 2005, convicted child molester Doug Lane was forced to sell his three Scranton/Wilkes-Barre PA licenses with all proceeds going to local charities establishing precedent.



## **More** – **from the St. Louis** *Post-Dispatch* (via Eric Bueneman on Facebook)

The signal seems to be fading on the radio days of vitriolic Metro East shock-jock Bob Romanik. The Federal Communications Commission on Wednesday (*February 19 wwh*) issued an order terminating license renewal efforts by stations connected to the broadcaster. Romanik was suspected of deceiving federal regulators into hiding his ownership of four radio stations. Billing himself as the

"Grim Reaper of Radio," Romanik is the host of "Kool Killer Kountry Radio" on KQQZ (1190 AM) in Fairview Heights. KQQZ and the three other stations all are involved in the FCC dispute. Romanik has been regularly criticized for making racist, homophobic and misogynistic slurs on his shows. He has claimed his monologues fall under constitutional free-speech protections. The FCC action, however, did not focus on what Romanik has said, but rather on paperwork. The FCC probe into Romanik's licensing issues began in 2012 when St. Clair County Chairman Mark Kern filed a

## "The First Amendment Station"



## "The All American Station"

complaint. Kern renewed his complaint in 2016. The complaint alleged that although the licenses for the four stations were issued to Entertainment Media Trust, headed by lawyer Dennis J. Watkins, Bob Romanik was the de facto owner. The FCC noted that Romanik has filed campaign records with Illinois and Missouri election officials in which he identified himself as a radio station owner. As a convicted felon, Romanik effectively is prohibited from being the licensed owner of a radio station.

A former Washington Park police chief, Romanik admitted obstructing justice in a federal investigation into organized crime in the 1990s and later was convicted of

bank fraud. Jane H. Halprin, the administrative law judge in the FCC case, chastised the trust and Watkins for defying and ignoring several court orders since the proceeding began in July. Neither Romanik nor Watkins could be reached for comment about the ruling or a possible appeal.

Thanks to Shawn Axelrod, Bill Hale (BH), FCC Database (FCC), John J, Rieger (JJR), Bruce Conti (BC), and Robert Vance (RV).

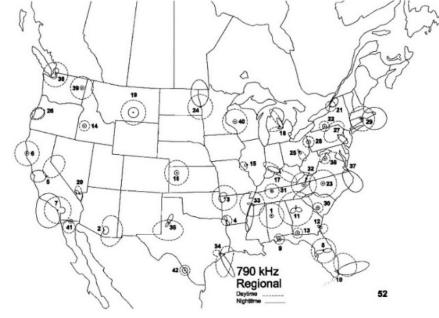
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The Pattern book may also be ordered using pay pal from our website <a href="http://www.nrcdxas.org">http://www.nrcdxas.org</a> at slightly higher prices.





# Domestic DX Digest – East

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers in the 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.

KK-VA Kraig Krist, Manassas – Winradio G33DDC SDR, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+ Imperium Loop

GL-NH Ginnie Lupi, Concord – CCRadio 2E, Select-A-Tenna

**PS-ON** Paul Snider, London – Elad FDM-S2, Pixel Pro 1B loop, MFJ-1020C tuner

JW-PA Jim Weber, Oyster Point – Grundig S350

LW-NY Leslie Wood, East Meadow – C Crane SW Radio, Radio Shack loop

MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig YB-400PE, XHDATA D-808, Sony SRF-39FP, C Crane Skywave, Panasonic RF-2200

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## COMING SOON TO A RADIO NEAR YOU

1220 CFAJ ON St. Catharines – 2/11 1500 – Testing with mix of oldies and 1980s hits, "Oldies Radio CFAJ" slogan. Ex-CHSC, who got the CRTC's death penalty in 2010.



Easily nullable daytime signal in midtown Toronto. By 1600 they were getting hammered by the Cleveland blowtorch. (MKB-ON)

+++ 2/23 0301 – Under WHKW; announcement ending with phone number, "...416-289-2323", oldies music. Per CFAJ Facebook, "Right now we are just broadcasting with one tower at 1000 watts.

We are working on getting the other eight towers on line. Once the full array is working we will up the power to 10,000 watts." (BC-NH)

## **LOGGINGS**

540 CBT NL Grand Falls-Windsor – 2/20 0525 – Woman with school delays, mentions of McCay's and several other NL towns. Very poor under static with lots of fading. (GL-NH)

**560 WHYN MA Springfield** – 1/26 1733 – In with ad for Understand.com, "News Talk 560 and 98.9 FM WHYN, an iHeart Radio station" ID. **(LW-NY)** 

**CFOS ON Owen Sound** – 2/14 0626 – Presumed with man with sports scores and mention of Ontario Hockey League, over/under loud hum. Gone at 0628. **(GL-NH)** 

**620** WHEN NY Syracuse – 2/19 0158 – "Power 620" slogan ID at this time. They obliterated WVMT after 0200. (JW-PA)

**690 CKGM QC Montréal** – 1/22 1833 – Local ad for Mitsubishi Motors of Montreal followed by Zip Recruiter national ad, then into "the Morning Show" program (apparently repeated in the evening hours). **(LW-NY)** 

730 WDOS NY Oneonta – 1/28 1700 – In with "WDOS AM 730" ID and Central New York news into sports talk. Weak under CKAC in FF. (LW-NY)

**780 WCKB NC Dunn** – 2/19 1759\* – Good; sign-off announcement: "At this time WCKB radio's AM signal at 780 kilohertz and with 7000 watts will leave the air until local sunrise tomorrow. WCKB programming will continue on FM translator W274CA at 102.7 megahertz..." (BC-NH)

**820 WVSG OH Columbus** – 2/7 1745 – Mixing with terrible digital hash from WWFD and other talk. After WWFD finally switched to night power, noted things other than head-splitting digital noise. Near-ToH ID at 1759: "This is listener supported WVSG Columbus Ohio. The home for Saint Gabriel Catholic radio AM 8-20". **(KK-VA)** 

- **840 WRYM CT New Britain** 2/16 2250 Presumed in battle over UNID Cuban, with non-stop tropical hot hits (too hot to get by the censors in Cuba), "la musica" slogan while WHAS off for transmitter maintenance. Thanks to tip on NRC's Facebook page. WHAS back on shortly after 2300. **(MKB-ON)**
- **850 WXJC** AL Birmingham 2/14 1727 Mixing with WTAR, WRUF and WPTK, female "WXJC 101.1 FM" ID. (KK-VA)
  - **WRUF FL Gainesville** 2/14 1816 Mixing with WTAR, WXJC and WPTK, ID as "Your home for the Florida Gators. 98.1 FM and 850 AM WRUF." **(KK-VA)**
- **860 WLBG** SC Laurens 2/14 1756 In multi-station mix (WFSI, CJBC, UNID preaching, other singing, R. Reloj and Spanish talk) with Fox Sports, mention of "WLBG 104.1 FM online at..." (**KK-VA**)
- **880 WPEK** NC Fairview 2/14 1658 Mixing with WRFD, WCBS and UNID singing, "This is your time saver traffic on the new ESPN Asheville." New station for me. (KK-VA)
- 910 WBZU PA Scranton 2/12 2229 Various ads (one with 570 area code), weather report with 103.1 mention (WILK). Poor to very poor in station mix including WFDF. (PS-ON)
- 930 KKIN MN Aitkin 2/12 2250 Noted various oldies and online streams for WGAD, WNCL, WHLM, WIZR and WSEV did not match. Finally heard "This is AM 930,



103.1 FM..." at 2321, into "Soul Man" by Sam and Dave, no ToH ID audible at 0000. In the NRC log and other sources this is the only station on 930 that is on 103.1 as well. Fair at times to very poor with WBEN & WRVC. Possibly on day power as I think 360 watts is a stretch to make it out here. **(PS-ON)** 

- WPAT NJ Paterson 2/17 2322 African sounding music, talk by male in unknown language, "WPAT 930 New York" mention at 2324. Poor to very poor with WBEN. (PS-ON)
- 940 WINE CT Brookfield 2/21 0622 "940sportsradio.com" and sports talk by man. Very poor in lots of QRM and static. (GL-NH)
  - **KPSZ IA Des Moines** 2/17 2339 Possible ads or promos, "...The best in Christian rock" at 2341, gospel music, "Praise 940" slogan at 2349 into more music. Poor to very poor with WCND. First time heard at this location. **(PS-ON)**
  - WGRP PA Greenville 2/17 0601 Good; "92.7 FM, 940 AM, WGRP Greenville, W224DW Greenville, number one for music, sports, and live," into ABC news. (BC-NH)
  - **CFNV QC Montréal** 2/23 0259 Fair; ID in FF: "CFNV 940 Montreal" and oldies. Back on the air, but seems to be operating at reduced power, not as strong as before. **(BC-NH)**
- **1070 CHOK ON Sarnia** 1/24 1822 In with C&W music (note recent format flip) and "on your radio or on your phone, 1070 CHOK" ID. **(LW-NY)**
- 1160 WSKW ME Skowhegan 2/21 0459 Initial ID at this time, intermittent reception through 0520. Very nice call sign ID at 0501 identifying Skowhegan and Waterville. "Tossin' and Turnin'" by Bobby Lewis at 0509 followed by Blues Image "Ride Captain Ride" at 0511. Coming in very strong now into "W-S-K-W Legacy 1160" ID at 0514. Beatles "Can't Buy Me Love" at 0518. (JW-PA)
- **1240 WEZR ME Lewiston** 2/16 0200 Poor; "This is WEZR AM 1240 FM 105-5 Lewiston-Auburn and WPNO AM 1450 FM 96-9 South Paris." (**BC-NH**)
  - WGVA NY Geneva 2/15 0100 Poor; Finger Lakes News Radio ID. (BC-NH)
  - WVSL NY Saranac Lake 2/14 2258 Briefly atop; "That's the latest forecast on 93-3 102.1 Mix..." then lost to WATN. Also noted 2/15 1801 Fair; WLPW Lake Placid and WVSL W237EY Saranac Lake, Adirondack 105, everything that rocks." New log. (BC-NH)
  - WATN NY Watertown 2/14 2300 Fair; "The North Country's... is AM 1240 WATN Watertown, depend on us," into CBS news. (BC-NH)
- **MA Boston** 2/11 0615 Man speaking Portuguese, accompanied by car horns and roosters, then female singing at 0617. // internet feed from website. Competing with several stations, audio in sporadically. **(JW-PA)**
- **1270** WTSN NH Dover 1/28 1759 In with "News talk 98.1" FM-only ID, news at 1800 then into sports talk. (LW-NY)
- **1280 CFMB QC Montreal** 2/17 0613 Italian music and talk with mentions of Montreal. // web stream, faded into QRM at 0624. Poor. **(GL-NH)**



- **1290 WRPA RI Providence** 2/11 1705 Mention of MA Secretary of State Bill Galvin, then NPR All Things Considered with NH Primary coverage from Manchester, NH. Lots of fading and QRM. **(GL-NH)** 
  - CJBK ON London 2/11 0537 Coast to Coast AM discussing spontaneous healing, alternating with WKBK and WNBF for over 10 minutes, then ads including a website with .ca suffix into news. Mention of London, ON and Ontario Provincial Police, weather report, and "CJBK" by woman at 0604. Poor. (GLNH)
- **1300 WXRL NY Lancaster** 2/17 0630 "On WXRL" popped out of the slop, into C&W music. Very poor, mixing with WPNH, WGDJ and WAVZ. **(GL-NH)**
- **1310 WTLC IN Indianapolis** 2/16 0045 Urban gospel music, "...92.7 The Light" slogan at 0047, more gospel, "AM 1310 The Light" slogan at 0055. Fair to poor with no usual WDTW for a change. First time heard at this location. **(PS-ON)**
- **1320 WJAS PA Pittsburgh** 1/24 1730 In with local news and weather, "News Talk 1320 WJAS" ID. **(LW-NY)** 
  - CJMR ON Oakville 2/12 0526 Man on phone for interview, speaking a language other than EE, // web stream. Very poor, mixing with WATR, WORC and CIWW. (GL-NH)
- 1340 WXKX WV Clarksburg 2/23 0500 Decent call sign ID at this time. Mentions of ESPN and sports discussions followed thereafter. (JW-PA)
- 1390 WEGP ME Presque Isle 2/16 2300 Good, over WFBL; "Always loud and clear on your smart speaker, talk radio for Catholic life, WEGP Presque Isle, WWTP Augusta, WXTP North Windham, WTBP Bath, WXBP Corinth, Relevant Radio," into Catholic news. (BC-NH)
- **1400 WCYR ME Veazie** 2/14 2001 Fair; "This is WHTP Kennebunkport... WCYR Veazie, W275CQ Bangor... Hot Radio Maine, Maine's hit music channel," and urban contemporary music, ex-C&W. **(BC-NH)** 
  - WSLB NY Ogdensburg 2/14 2300 Fair; "Your exclusive home for Major League Baseball, AM 1400 ESPN, WSLB AM Waddington-Hammond-Ogdensburg." (BC-NH)
- **1410 WPOP** CT Hartford 2/10 0540 Two male announcers with sports stuff, "...so much information, so little time...Fox Sports Radio", then a series of ads and "on WPOP" by man at 0544. Poor with fading. (GL-NH)
- **1420 WHK OH Cleveland** 2/10 0606 Promo for "The Dennis Prager Show…on 1420 The Answer" by man, then Hugh Hewitt discussing Joe Biden and the Oscars. Poor, on top of slop with fading. **(GL-NH)**
- **1450 WWSC NY Glens Falls** 2/20 1800 Under CHOU; caught part of ID into ABC news, mentioned Glens Falls, 93-1 and 1450. 93.1 is a new translator, W226CP. (**BC-NH**)
- **1460 WTKT PA Harrisburg** 2/10 0627 "Sports with attitude" into Auto Zone ad and several others, then "Fox Sports 1460 CBS 21 weather", a Harrisburg mention at 0629, "FoxSports1460.com" and Liberty Insurance ad. Poor amid lots of others. **(GL-NH)**
- **1470 WRGA GA Rome** 2/23 0032 Tuned into a series of promos with many WRGA mentions, "WRGA 98.7, 1470 AM" ID, ads, weather, wrganews.com mention at 0034, into Art Bell. Fair at times to very poor with WVOL. **(PS-ON)** 
  - WLMC SC Georgetown 2/14 2110 Partial ID at this time, mention of 102.3 and "Oldies" moniker. Playing "Brown Eyed Girl" by Van Morrison. Checked with // internet feed. (JW-PA)
  - **WBTX VA Broadway-Timberville** 2/15 0710 "Thank You Lord" at this time; fair signal with other gospel sounds. Decent callsign ID at 0718. **(JW-PA)**
- **1540 KXEL IA Waterloo** 1/13 2100 News on the hour followed by local weather "on News Talk radio 1540 KXEL". **(LW-NY)**
- **1570 WPGM PA Danville** 2/19 1735 Over sports talker with local weather, "your station for inspiration since 1964...WPGM" ID into gospel talk. **(MKB-ON)**
- **1620 WDHP VI Frederiksted** 2/22 0537 Very faint music with male vocalist, // web stream. Mixing with unintelligible talk from WTAW and Radio Rebelde, all of it faded into static at 0548. **(GL-NH)**

# Domestic DX Digest – West

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Loggings of U.S. and Canadian stations by DXers in the Central, Mountain, Pacific, Alaska, and Hawaii-Aleutian time zones – All times are <u>Eastern Local Time</u> (ELT)

Please submit all reports in the format seen below. Send either within an email, or as an attachment in plain text or RTF. No Excel, Word or PDF documents, please. All times are Eastern Local Time (ELT)!! In some instances, minor editing may occur. A nice turnout this Issue. If you're new to the NRC and live in the DDXD-West area, submit your loggings. We're waiting. Reports older than 30 days will be excluded at the editor's discretion.

Upcoming deadlines for DDXD-West: Issue 13 – March 13; Issue 14 – April 3, 2020.

## ---REPORTERS---

- **SB-CA** Stephanie Battaglino Palm Desert, California RX: Winradio Excalibur G31DDC, Elad FDM-S2 w/ANC-4 Noise Canceler ANT: Wellbrook ALA 1530 LNP
- **SB-UT Sean Breazeal Stansbury Park, Utah** Afedri SDR-Net with Wellbrook ALA 1530 LNP active loop on 15' pole. Audio at medievalcoinage.com/dx.
- RD-IL Rick Dau DXing on the Peoria, Illinois KiwiSDR adding to the Davenport, Iowa logbook
- **RD-IA** Rick Dau DXing on the Muscatine, Iowa KiwiSDR (whenever the buzz subsides, that is) adding to the Davenport lowa logbook
- **TK-FL** Terry Krueger Niceville, Florida IC-R75, NRD-535, ICF-7600GR, active loop, random wire
- JP-AB Jon Pearkins Edmonton, Alberta Sangean PR-D15 barefoot
- JJR-MI John J Rieger L'Anse, Michigan Grundig Satellit 750 -Terk AM1000 loop, Sangean ATS-909X stock (The Terk loop can/does phase the Grundig antenna)
- JJR-WI John J Rieger South Milwaukee, Wisconsin Icom IC-R75, MFJ-959B tuner/preamp, Kiwa loop, Sangean ATS-909X stock
- JNS-MN John Sampson Grand Rapids, Minnesota Drake R8B w/250 foot N:S longwire
- JDS-MN Jeff Steffes Watertown, Minnesota Kenwood R-5000, Quantum QX Loop v2.0, Quantum Phaser, Quantum QX Loop, modified
- JW-CO John Wilkins Wheat Ridge, Colorado Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop

## --- STATION NEWS ---

- **620 KWAL ID Wallace Turned in their license.** Apparently a tractor knocked one of their towers down **(Thanks, Frank Aden)** and the owners decided it wasn't worth the cost to re-build. This station hasn't been reported often, but their absence opens 620 up for a few west-coast DXers.
- 1630 WRDW GA Augusta Turned in their license.

## <u>---UNID---</u>

**1400 UNID** - 2/10 0840 – Poor, with WCCY nulled. 'America's First News', 'Capital One' heard, then lost. Re-checked at TOH . . . too weak. (JJR-MI)

## **DX LOGGINGS**

## 0001-0800

- 640 WCRV TN Collierville 2/12 0714 Poor, though alone. 'Adrian Rogers'. WOI in later. Unusual hearing this. Program match. Unusual conditions today. (JJR-MI)
- 660 CFFR AB Calgary 2/12 0711 Poor, with ". . . Traffic and Weather on the Ones", mentions of 'University of Calgary', ". . . minus twelve (C)",

markets, and "660 News" finally, and it was alone. (JJR-MI)

- **690 WZNK MI Dearborn Heights 2/17 0743 –** Very poor, but easily recognizable, with a joyful, upbeat host. Lost to WZAP. (JJR-WI)
- **690 WZAP** VA Bristol 2/17 0744 Poor, with weather: high in 40s. "I'm Chris??? on? Radio WZAP. Contemporary Christian music. (JJR-WI)



- 700 KMBX CA Soledad 2/15 0233-0239 Poor. Under nulled KALL. With Spanish language religious program and male preacher. Was in quickly and faded out nearly as fast, but enough to verify against their stream. 700 watts at 336 miles. (SB-CA)
- 700 KALL UT North Salt Lake City 2/13 0155-0200 Good with ESPN sounder, ad for 'Barracuda.com', mentions of University of Utah football and basketball coverage on "ESPN 700". TOH ID noted as "KALL, North Salt Lake, Utah's number one sports talk, ESPN 700". (SB-CA)
- 710 WTPR TN Paris 2/15 0713 Poor -- 'Sloop John B.' by The Beach Boys. "Greatest Hits of all time . . . WTPR". Alone. (JJR-WI)
- **TO Boise 2/10 0054-0103 –** Faded up to the SSW while CHMJ faded out almost completely. Spanish pop vocals with male announcer in Spanish mostly drowned out by CBX-740 slop. **(JP-AB)** [heard again . . .]
- 730 KDBI ID Boise 2/12 0011:20 "La Gran D" IDs in male and female voices in short music break. Conquered the CBX-740 slop by detuning to 728 KHz. Even after CHMJ's 2016 transmitter fire, only CKDM was heard here at night, so am assuming KDBI was on 15 kW day power the last two nights. (JP-AB)
- 730 CKDM MB Dauphin 1/24 0700 Local station KSVN unusually goes silent for 15 seconds just in time for Alec Woolston IDing CKDM and begins local news. Several minutes of KSVN silence three weeks later for another confirmed reception. (SB-UT)
- **780 KAZM AZ Sedona 2/16 0310-0335** With KKOH off for transmitter maintenance, try as I might (in vain) to copy WBBM, I did copy this one. Overall weak with call-in program, turned out to be C2C Weekend. Segment musical intro was an interesting version of "Waltzing Matilda" by a male vocalist in the style of Joe Cocker. // stream. 250 watts at 269 miles. **(SB-CA)**
- **780 WAVA VA Arlington 2/12 0600** Poor "WAVA" jingle noted equal to, and over, WBBM for about a minute. **(JJR-MI)**
- 840 KVJY TX Pharr 2/12 0658 Religious comments and a short prayer in Spanish. Gave address for 'Radio Aleluya' as 1600 Pasadena Blvd., then legal ID for two Aleluya stations, KVJY-840 and KMIC-1590. There are other stations in this network but they were not mentioned. Briefly fair signal.
- 890 KIHC CA Arroyo Grande 1/24 0700 Usual Relevant Radio calls, with coverage of the 'March for Life' before and after ID. (SB-UT)

(JW-CO)

- **900 WKDA TN Lebanon 2/16 0705 –** Poor -- 'Town Hall News', 'Birthday Club on 98-9 WANT-FM'. (JJR-WI)
- **900 WDLS WI Wisconsin Dells 2/16 0705** Very poor, though three note weather jingle cut through. "Country Western 900". (**JJR-WI**)
- 900 CKBI SK Prince Albert 2/17 0739 Poor -- Ads for 'S&K Mechanical' and 'Red Head Equipment', then calls. Alone. (JJR-WI)
- 910 KCJB ND Minot 2/12 0705 Poor, with FOX News, '??? gravel at 838-XXXX', time and "910 KCJB" into news. No WFDF. (JJR-MI)
- 910 KCJB ND Minot 2/16 0730 Poor -- Dolly Parton/Kenny Rogers' 'Island's In The Stream' and calls, then lost to WFDF. (JJR-WI)
- 940 WIDG MI St. Ignace 2/2 0759 Good with mentions of "Alpena" and "WIDG, St. Ignace" in the legal ID that included another station in northern Michigan. (RD-IL)
- 960 KLTF MN Little Falls 2/18 0713 Poor, with "14 now, feels like 5 below at KLTF". No sign of (usual, closer) WSBT. (JJR-WI)
- **1040 CKST BC Vancouver 2/17 0720** Very poor, but still there, with ESPN programming. Only fit. (JJR-WI)
- **1180 WGUE** AR Turrell 2/15 0643 Poor, though easily noticeable in WHAM null. "La Jefe" between SS songs. (JJR-WI)
- 1190 KVCU CO Boulder 2/21 0311-0322 Generally poor with fair peaks. Up against a lot of splatter from my local on 1200, KPSF, and higher than usual noise floor with a mix of what can best be described as "trippy" music (brought me back to my college radio days). // stream, Univ. of Colorado's radio station. Name of the show is 'Hypnotic Turtle Radio'. Somehow that fits perfectly. Listed at 110 watts nights at 748 miles. (SB-CA)
- **1190 WNWC WI Sun Prairie 2/12 0743 –** Poor, with women talking on spelling of name. "Faith Radio" no WOWO. (**JJR-MI**)
- 1190 CFSL SK Weyburn 2/16 0723 Poor, no WOWO at all. "This is AM 1190" between songs. (JJR-WI)

- **1200 WRTO** IL Chicago 2/5 0751 Program notes for 'TuDN Network', then "WRTO es TuDN Radio". Briefly fair, in WOAI null. (JW-CO)
- **1210 WDAO OH Dayton 2/15 0708** Very poor, but music popped through WPHT! Calls. Been a while on this. Rare. (JJR-WI)
- 1230 KKSB CO Steamboat Springs 1/24 0100 Very faint, hard to discern, ". . . with news, Northwest Colorado's(?) talk station", call letters and city right at the top of the hour in female voice. (SB-UT)
- 1230 KHAS NE Hastings 2/13 0731 Punching through the mess with a call letter ID. (JW-CO)
- **1240 KJOP CA Lemoore 1/24 0000** End of program, standard 'Relevant Radio' calls, frequency, city, and then Relevant Radio News. Heard a little better at **0800**. **(SB-UT)**
- **1250 KZER CA Santa Barbara 1/24 0701** Slow Mexican music, followed by K293CK translator, ID, and more slow music. **(SB-UT)**
- 1260 KSUR CA Beverly Hills 2/12 0338-0401 Poor, well under KTRC but holding steady with mix of variety of "oldies". Van Halen's 'Jump' (an 'oldie', really??), Gerry & The Pacemakers and T. Rex now they are oldies! // stream. 7.5 kW at 125 miles but signal going in the other direction from me actually just above the SW-facing lobe that goes into the Pacific and covers all of Baja CA. (SB-CA)
- 1260 KTRC NM Santa Fe 2/12 0338-0401 Good actually loud at times, mixing occasionally with KSUR with commercial for 'Untuckit Shirts' into C2C discussion of kharma with call-in guest. TOH ID noted as "... you're listening to 12-60 AM, 103.7 and at santfe.com, KTRC, Santa Fe" into news report. // stream. 1kW at 603 miles. (SB-CA)
- **1310 WTLC IN Indianapolis 2/15 0643 –** Urban Gospel music, Praise slogan. Poor, but steady. No WIBA. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1330 KNSS KS Wichita 2/16 0716 Poor -- Calls said twice into ad, then lost. (JJR-WI)
- **1360 WWOW OH Conneaut 2/16 0754** Poor -- 'Ferry Cross the Mercy' by Gerry and the Pacemakers, '1360 Wow', then fade. (JJR-WI)
- **1440 KCHE IA Cherokee 2/13 0706** Weather-related delays; ". . . call 225-2511 with your weather info"; other state and local news followed. Fair peaks, mixing with KMAJ, WGEM, et al. **(JW-CO)**
- **1450 KNSI MN St. Cloud 2/15 0730** Poor, with "KNSI News Week in Review". Hear this more than stations that are closer! **(JJR-MI)**
- **1560 KBEW MN Blue Earth 2/12 0723 –** Poor, with Minnesota news, mention of 'Minnesota Wild'. Finally, the calls. Lost to KLNG. (JJR-MI)
- 1590 KVTA CA Ventura 2/19 0239-0302 Mostly poor with infrequent fair peaks. Kind of just faded up out of the noise floor with C2C and TOH ABC News and 'Oxford Tax' commercial at 0302. (SB-CA)
- **1600 KGST CA Fresno 2/16 0203-0214** Good against KIVA's C2C talk. Mexican music mix with frequent "Mil seiscientos, ah-may" (16-hundred AM) announcements between songs. // stream. **(SB-CA)**

## 0800-1600

- 530 CHLO ON Brampton 2/10 0817 FF. Fair, almost loud! Talk of teacher strike. (JJR-MI)
- **620 KMNS IA Sioux City 2/8 0848 –** Poor. WTMJ nulled, leaving "Fox Sports Radio" promos and ID: "Fox Sports 620 KMNS". **(JJR-MI)**
- **630 KHOW CO Denver 1/24 1000 –** Infrequently heard over CHED or KFXD. ID, "Denver's Talk Station", and promo for upcoming Ross Kaminsky and Tom Martino programs, ABC News. (SB-UT)
- **630 CHED AB Edmonton 2/11 0803 –** Poor, with 'Global News', "Corus Edmonton", and finally "6-30 Ched". No WREY yet. (JJR-MI)
- **680 WDBC** MI Escanaba 2/10 0945 Poor -- "94.5 FM & AM 680 WDBC" (W233CT Escanaba is on) remains NOS. (JJR-MI)
- **680 CJOB MB Winnipeg 2/10 0833 –** Poor, but atop, with talk of Winnipeg Transit & Transit "master plan." (JJR-MI)
- **730 WPIT PA Pittsburgh 2/20 0812** Poor-to-fair, with REL// web. No CKDM today. Nothing great, catch-wise though. **(JJR-WI)**
- **740 WRPQ WI Baraboo 2/16 0818** Poor, with "Sonrise" (Sunday morning REL show), ads for 'Liberty Mutual' and '?? Printing'. Weather, and finally "... here in Baraboo" and "Max FM" jingle. Not great, certainly. But not heard in a while. **(JJR-WI)**

- 770 KATL MT Miles City 1/24 1000 Still coming in strong after sunrise! Song ending, "Weather, news, sports, and the best mix of the 80s, 90s, and today", ID and city, then into news with Christopher Cruz. (SB-UT)
- 770 WTOR NY Youngstown 2/8 0845 Poor . . . still in, giving "Radio K" (KUOM) fits. ETHnic/Toronto mentions. (JJR-MI)
- 790 WAYY WI Eau Claire 2/11 0819 Poor, with 'Ho-Chunk Gaming in Black River Falls, Chippewa Falls' in ad. (JJR-MI)
- **820 WBKK MN Wilton 2/11 0801** Poor, with phone number "218-444-XXXX . . . ??? . . . Cakes", LID, "Real Presence Radio". With others. (**JJR-MI**)
- 940 KVSH NE Valentine 2/14 0840 Extended weather forecast for the region. Poor, spotty reception. An appropriate Valentine's Day logging. (JW-CO)
- 940 KMER WY Kemmerer 1/24 1000 Still audible after sunrise despite only 240 Watts. Sports program "First Base Sports Friday" talking about Star Valley High School wrestling, ID, news. (SB-UT)
- 950 CFAM MB Altona 2/8 0841 Poor, with many Manitoba mentions including hockey, etc. No WWJ. KOEL way in back. (JJR-MI)
- 960 KKNT AZ Phoenix 1/24 1100 "The Patriot KKNT" ID and slogan after 'Harry's Razor' commercial and promo for station website, then into independent news. (SB-UT)
- 980 KNTR AZ Lake Havasu City 1/24 1100 Well after sunrise for this 1000 Watt station, "All Sports All The Time" KNTR, 94.3 FM, barely audible above others but clearly heard slogan. (SB-UT)
- 980 CJME SK Regina 2/9 0807 Poor, with temperatures for Regina and Saskatoon. "980 CJME is on Facebook". Alone! (JJR-MI)
- 990 WNML TN Knoxville 2/19 0813 Poor, with "Toyota Knoxville -- I-40 at the ??? exit" into sports. No CBW. (JJR-WI)
- **1010 WHIN** TN Gallatin 2/19 0816 Poor -- "... the new 100.7 WHIN & AM 1010", then 'Eye of the Tiger' by Survivor. Morning chatter. Alone. (JJR-WI)
- **1010 CBR AB Calgary 2/11 0800 –** Poor, with "I'm David Gray. In Calgary, minus three degrees". Some WPCN, but no CFFR or CKMX . **(JJR-MI)**
- **WI Berlin 2/21 0807 –** Poor -- 'Edge of 17' by Stevie Nicks, "... the bug (slogan) with Wayne & Lexi..." into 'Sky High' by Jigsaw. (Both songs from 1970s). Alone. No WTAM. (JJR-WI)
- **1140 CHRB AB High River 2/8 0833 –** Poor, though atop and alone. "Southern Alberta's Radio Station AM 1140". (JJR-MI)
- 1150 WGGH IL Marion 2/18 0819 Poor, in/out trading with an unID giving obits. Two times during songs, local host gave no calls! (Hello!) Finally, weather, time check and news with 'Marion' and 'Southern Illinois' mentions! Still no calls (though at 08:31!) twelve minutes and never used call letters. Unreal! That is "Radio 101"! No WHBY, though in earlier. (JJR-WI)
- **1150 WEAQ WI Chippewa Falls 2/10 0934 Poor, with Rhythmic Top 40. In most of morning.** No WHBY. "95-9 Jamz". **(JJR-MI)** [again on . . .]
- **1150 WEAQ WI Chippewa Falls 2/16 0800** 'Rhythm of the Night' by Corona ('95). "95-9 Jamz" said three times between songs! Atop a bit. Poor, no WHBY. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1150 CKOC ON Hamilton 2/20 0823 Hardly DX, but sports content blends with other, versus their old oldies format which stood out. '.ca addresses' in ads. No WHBY. Very poor-to-poor. (JJR-WI)
- **1190 KDMR MO Kansas City 2/20 0836 –** Poor, with talk of the Catholic church, retreats. WOWO in/out with this. **(JJR-WI)**
- **1240 WJON MN St. Cloud 2/7 0848 Fair for a few moments with ad for 'Miller Auto Plaza' in St. Cloud. <b>(RD-IL)**
- 1250 KYYS KS Kansas City 2/10 1007 Poor, but still in, with SS "La Equis" uptempo jock. No KBRF . (JJR-MI)
- **1260 KWYR SD Winner 2/11 0736** Poor, with ad: ". . . on Main in Winner" including 605 area code. Alone. Hoping for better. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1270 WCMR IL Elkhart 2/10 0929 –** Poor, with end of 'Back to the Bible", then ". . . Gospel 1270 & 105-3 FM". Rare! (JJR-MI)
- **1280 WBIG** IL Aurora 2/19 0847 Very poor, in fade up, over WNAM. Talk of Bolingbrook and Eola Road. Shopping show. Logged as WMRO in 1971. Not heard in years. Rare. (JJR-WI)
- 1280 WGBF IN Evansville 2/20 0816 Poor -- "1280 WGBF" into Dave Ramsey. Alone. Common years ago. (JJR-WI)

- 1300 KOLY SD Mobridge 2/11 0854 Ad for a big cattle sale at the TNT Ranch in Almont, North Dakota ("Genetic Explosion Bull Sale")(explosion . . . TNT . . . get it?). A couple of short features from the 'Dakota News Network' were followed by another bull sale ad. This station certainly was full of bull this morning. Legal ID at ToH was followed by ABC News. (JW-CO)
- 1300 WNQM TN Nashville 2/20 0805 'Adrian Rogers' //web match. Poor, but alone. No WOOD today. (JJR-WI)
- **1310 CIWW ON Ottawa 2/10 0805 –** Male and Female anchors. "1310 News", promo for "Ottawa Today at 9 AM". Poor, but alone. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1320 KOZY MN Grand Rapids 2/13 0837** Poor, with ". . . contest line 999-KOZY to win". With others . . . no WILS. Lousy conditions. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1320 KHRT ND Minot 2/10 0925 Poor in nice fade up. Loud with Southern GOS music. Calls, and lost to WILS fade up. [in again the next day!]
- **1320 KHRT ND Minot 2/11 0919** Poor , but alone, with "... as heard on K-Heart last night". Little WILS today. **(JJR-MI)**
- **1390** KRRZ ND Minot 2/11 0943 Poor, though alone and steady. "All day, all night . . . Minot's Classic Hits, 1390 KRRZ". (JJR-MI)
- **1410 WING** OH Dayton 2/11 0929 Poor, but alone, with "1410 ESPN Radio" into 'Golic & Wingo'. No usually-dominant WIZM. (JJR-MI)
- **1420 WHK OH Cleveland 2/20 0833** Poor, with various promos for shows, etc., for 'AM 1420 The Answer'. No KTOE today. **(JJR-WI)**
- 1450 KGRE CO Greeley 1/24 0903 Ranchera music ending, "Tigre FM es KGRE, Greeley", then a listing of translators before continuing with promotional audio. (SB-UT)
- **1460 CJOY ON Guelph 2/11 0850** Poor, but steady, with little/no KXNO. 'Bad to the Bone' by George Thorogood and calls. **(JJR-MI)**
- **AZ** Show Low 2/6 0902 Quick legal ID just as I tuned in at 0902, followed by two minutes of 'Town Hall News'. The rest of the hour consisted of C&W music, "K-Bear 100" slogans and occasional ads. Fair signal, occasionally on top. Have not heard since. Ex-KVSL. (JW-CO)
- **1470 KYYW TX Abilene 2/12 0807** Weather; ID as "News Talk 1470 KYYW" and into 'Hugh Hewitt'. Fair in QRM, mainly from KSMM and KKTY. **(JW-CO)**
- 1490 KIBM NE Omaha 2/10 1028 Poor -- "Boomer Radio" and OLDies cutting through (usually in) KRIB . (JJR-MI)
- **MO St. Joseph 2/9 0933 –** Poor, with no WHIT. "Joe 107.5" said twice into Pat Benetar song. (JJR-MI)
- **1570 KAKK MN Walker 2/8 0851 Poor, with "... here on the KK Radio Network" (owner of KA<u>KK</u>) no usual WLKD. (<b>JJR-MI**)
- **1590 WTVB MI Coldwater 2/19 0800 –** Very poor, though clear "Coldwater" cut through. Lost to WPVL. **(JJR-WI)**

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**1590 WPVL WI Platteville – 2/19 0800 –** Very poor, with LID seconds after they powered up. No usual KGFK or WAKR. **(JJR-WI)** 

## 1600-2400

- 580 KSAZ AZ Marana 2/13 2300 Likely on daytime power as it dominated throughout. Spanish religious talk, "Radio Nueva Casa" slogan followed by a list of simulcasting stations including KSAZ, then into Norteño style Mexican music. (SB-UT)
- 660 KTNN AZ Window Rock 2/16 2153-2154 Undoubtedly the chanting, which sounded like a Navajo ceremonial dance, under CFFR talk, fading in for about a minute then gone, with antenna slightly West of South. (JP-AB)
- 680 KKGR MT East Helena 1/26 1801 Song ending, then "Helena's Home for the 70s, 80s, and More" slogan and ID, then right into Queen's 'Bohemian Rhapsody' and more music. Rare catch of anything at all over KNBR day or night from here. (SB-UT)
- **690 KGGF KS Coffeyville 1/27 2000** Several competing stations, but "Mighty 690" slogan and city clearly audible, into Fox News. **(SB-UT)**
- 730 WSTT GA Thomasville 2/9 1828 Black Southern gospel across the hour until 1828 classic, beautiful, canned sign-off announcement by man, with calls, city, power, station street address, PO Box, phone number;, powered off at 2329. (TK-FL)
- 730 WLTQ SC Charleston 2/9 1840 EWTN feed, local hard break and end-tagged "...a proud sponsor of Catholic Radio South Carolina . . ." and man "You're listening to WCKI, Greer 1300 AM and WLTQ 730 AM, Charleston . . .". (TK-FL)

- 840 KMAX WA Colfax 1/26 1800 Commercial for 'GAB Radio Network', ID, "Inland Northwest's News Leader", "The Max" slogan, then news about the Kobe Bryant helicopter crash. (SB-UT)
- 850 KHHO WA Tacoma 1/26 1900 "South Sound Talk 850 AM" in the clear with KOA Denver nowhere to be heard. ID, then Fox News about Kobe Bryant. (SB-UT)
- **860 KNAI AZ Phoenix 1/26 2000 –** Mexican music. Weak over other stations, then ID, 101.9 translator info, "La Campesina" slogan, an more music. **(SB-UT)**
- 880 KKMC CA Gonzalez 2/13 2200 Weak at first, but faded up giving web address of program, ID and local advertiser offering discounts to KKMC listeners, promo for "Insight for Living" program. KRVN usually dominates 880 here. (SB-UT)
- 930 KMPT MT East Missoula 1/26 1800 "Your Conservative Beacon", translator info, ID, city, "The Patriot" and into CBS News. (SB-UT)
- 980 KMIN NM Grants 1/26 1900 Well heard with 104.3 FM translator, "Broadcasting to Five Counties from the Radio Center on Roosevelt Ave", ID, city, and "You are in K-Mine Country", SRN News. (SB-UT)
- **1230 KSBN WA Spokane 2/13 2105** Ending of USA Radio News with local anchor giving Spokane area weather, followed by ID and commercials. **(SB-UT)**
- **1230 KVOC WY Casper 2/13 1958** Just barely above the din, but clear ID and calls, "This is Casper's new FM talk station, 95.9". **(SB-UT)**
- **1240 KLYQ MT Hamilton 1/26 1800** Very muddy audio, competing with KWIK, so hard to tell which audio went with which station, but KLYQ call letters heard and town name. **(SB-UT)**
- **AZ** Willcox 1/26 2003 Country music fading in strongly over local KNEU until booming in with ID so clear it could be just down the road. Briefly as strong as any local station! (SB-UT)
- 1320 KOFA AZ Yuma 1/23 2300 "Border Radio FM 94.7" from Arizona Western College picked up cleanly for the first time over local KNIT. Previously logged as KAWC. (SB-UT)
- **1320 KXRO WA Aberdeen 1/27 2100 –** Under CHMB Vancouver, BC, but multiple calls heard although no frequency given. Goes into CBS News at the top of the hour then fades a few minutes later. **(SB-UT)**
- **1340 KTMM CO Grand Junction 1/27 1900 –** Full ID, "Covering the Western Slopes", long translator list, "The Team" slogan, and CBS Sports. Faded, and gone a few minutes later. The strongest reception of a Colorado GYer for me thus far. **(SB-UT)**
- 1360 KLSD CA San Diego 1/26 2000 Promo for the 'Darren Smith Show' on "Xtra 1360", ID, and Fox Sports news about Kobe. Usual station KPXQ Glendale had powered down. (SB-UT)
- **OR Astoria 2/13 2100 –** Lots of competition with local KSOP nulled, numerous calls and weather with ABC News and "Celebrating 30 Years" on the air with news, sports, etc. **(SB-UT)**
- **MN Long Prairie 2/15 2116 –** Atop with Johnny Lee's 1980 country classic "Lookin' For Love", then liner: "... 103.1, KEYL". I've always wondered ... does looking for love in all the wrong places equate to DXing on all the wrong frequencies? :) **(RD-IA)**
- **1400 KMNV MN St. Paul 2/15 1948** Good signal, but fading, with regional Mexican music, then bits and pieces of liner: "... mas musica... La Raza!" Webstream was about 15 seconds behind. **(RD-IA)**
- 1400 KBRB NE Ainsworth 2/15 2024 Fair with liner between country songs: "You're tuned to the best . . . KBRB, Ainsworth". DXers TRIVIA: this was the last station in America to run monthly frequency checks, and was still doing so as late as 2002. (RD-IA)
- **WI** Eau Claire 2/9 2205 Atop briefly, with Minnesota Wild hockey play-by-play. Only 1400 shown on this year's Wild affiliate list. No sign of nearby WGIL at all. (**RD-IL**)
- 1450 KCLX WA Colfax 2/13 2104 Fading up with the ending of an unknown country song, cut off with "1450 KCLX, Colfax, Palouse Country" and into ABC News. (SB-UT)

## Unreported Domestic Stations

One station (KAST-1370) was reported to DDXD this issue for the first time since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000). So we are down to 312 full-service (100 watts and up) AM stations in the United States and Canada that have not been reported to DDXD during this time. The last full list was printed in Volume 86 Issue 19. Can you report one next time?

# International DX Digest

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For loggings of stations outside the U.S. and Canada All times are <u>Universal Coordinated Time</u> (UTC)

## TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- ALGERIA *Jil FM*, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi FEB 18 0045 My car radio tunes only in 10-kHz steps, so no serious TA/TP DX'ing, but certain frequencies suffer 1-kHz hets, from obvious sources, 530, 550, 890 Algeria on 531, 549, 891; and 1000 from 999 likely Spain. [Hauser-OK]
- ALGERIA *Jil FM*, Sidi Hamadouche FEB 16 0458 Fair; choral marching band national anthem. FEB 22 0458 Good; techno dance music. At 0558 poor; choral marching band anthem. Transmitter site sunrise 0640 UTC. [Conti-NH]
- 585 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Madrid FEB 22 0400 Fair; servicios informativos. [Conti-NH]
- 1053 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros FEB 16 0500 Fair; ad string, "Sign up right now at TalkSport Singles dot com." [Conti-NH]
- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros FEB 16 0100 Good; promo into ad string, "There are thousands of new houses to buy or rent every month at On the Market dot com... You're in the market On the Market dot com." FEB 23 2300 Good; news, "From the Sky News Center at eleven..." [Conti-NH]
- HUNGARY *MR4* Marcali//Szolnok FEB 15 0700 Steady s7 signal, no readable audio; sunrise approximately 0550 UTC between the two transmitter sites. 1089 *TalkSport* the strongest transatlantic signal at this time followed by 1215 *Absolute Radio*, otherwise primarily Spain across the band with good signals on 585, 855, 954, 1044, 1296, 1305, 1485, 1503, and 1602 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Absolute Radio* synchros FEB 16 0300 Good; "Crazy" by Aerosmith. FEB 23 2300 Fair; "Come Down on Jupiter" by the Orielles. [Conti-NH]
- 1314 **ROMANIA** *Antena Satelor*, Constanta FEB 17 0358 Pre sign-on test tone up to the hour; listed 0350 sign-on while the other two co-channel Romania radio stations are listed as 24 hour operations. [Conti-NH]

*Transatlantic carrier search*: FEB 11 0653-0657 – 666, 693, 711, 747, 774(2), 846, 855, 882, 936(2), 1044, 1053, 1107, 1125, 1215, 1305 kHz. (2) means at least two carriers beating. Notably missing are the big Algerians, 531, 549, 576, 891 – by now they may be too far into the dayside; not much from BBC either. 846 is extremely weak but is the only one suspected of being TP instead: Kiritimati, where it's still way after sunset, but I had not been hearing any of it for some weeks; is it still on? FEB 12 0643-0649 – 585, 612, 639, 711, 747, 774(2), 837, 855, 882, 891, 909, 936, 1044, 1053, 1089, 1107, 1125, 1134, 1215, 1314 kHz. FEB 14 0212-0216 – 531, 549, 558, 567, 576, 621, 711(2), 774(2), 837, 855, 891=strongest, 909, 936(2), 1053, 1089, 1215, 1305 kHz. FEB 21 0340 – 531, 549, 558(2), 585, 612, 639, 693(2), 711, 747, 774(3 with audio from Spain synchros), 837, 891, 936, 999, 1125, 1152, 1215(2), 1305 kHz. Rather surprised to find a "normal" situation as K-index at 0300 was 4. [Hauser-

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<u>PAN-AMERICAN DX</u> MEXICO XEWA San Luis Potosí, SLP FEB 12 0142-0147 – Poor. Briefly

up en ough to be readable underneath quasi-local XESURF with

RADIO 540 AM

- dance/club music. Parallel stream. 150 kW nights at 1,232 miles. [Battaglino-CA]

  MEXICO XETAM Cd. Victoria, Tamps. JAN 30 0222-0232 Poor well under KFI with a steady mix of romantic ballads in keeping with the romántica theme. Mexican Log lists 1 kW nights at 1,252 miles. [Battaglino-CA]
- VENEZUELA YVMN *R.Coro*, Coro JAN 28 0245 Spanish language tropical style music, "Radio Coro" jingle at 0256, more music, possible top of the hour ID with Coro mention, more music, clear Radio Coro ID at 0309 UTC. Fair almost over WBBM (nulled) to very poor. [Snider-ON] FEB 16 0400 Under/over WBBM; choral national anthem. [Conti-NH] FEB 16 0840 A nice surprise after the DX test from KKOH. Fair to good signal, at times giving WBBM a run for its money, although never overtaking it. Caught one "Radio Coro" ID at this time in a liner read by a male in the middle of a long stretch of salsa/tropical music. No question this one would've been heard in the Quad Cities, and perhaps a bit further north from there. Venezuela #1 and country #5 in the Davenport, Iowa logbook. Tried for it on the

nearby Muscatine, Iowa KiwiSDR, but the amount of buzz there made DX'ing 780 impossible. [Dau-IL]

- 840 HAITI *Radio-Télé 4VEH*, Cap Haitien-Petite Anse FEB 17 0355 With WHAS off from 0330 to 0408 (and again for intermittent periods after 0414), I got fair receptions of instrumental versions of old-time church hymns like "He Leadeth Me", "How Great Thou Art", and "Be Thou My Vision" until 0426, when WHAS finished their transmitter maintenance and came back on for good. Thanks to Chris Dunne in Pembroke Pines, Florida on dxworld.com's BCB Logger for ID'ing this as 4VEH. Both Les Rayburn in Alabama and IRCA's Tom Laskowski in South Bend, Indiana got Cuba's CMKC R.Revolucion while WHAS was off, but that one eluded me. Still, I'll gladly take this. And, as was the case with 780 *R.Coro*, this one was getting into central Illinois well enough that it also would've been heard in the Quad Cities at the time, albeit slightly less well than in Peoria. Haiti #1 and country #6 in the Davenport, Iowa logbook. [Dau-IL]
- 900 **MEXICO** XEW México, DF FEB 1 0317-0322 Generally poor with a fair peak. Rose up out of the noise floor with "I Saw the Sign" by Ace of Base then into a dance/club tune. Parallel stream. [Battaglino-CA]
- 940.8 **COLOMBIA** HJGB *R.Calima*, Cali FEB 17 0500 Offset frequency varies between 940.8 to 940.9 kHz, tonight measured at 940.824 kHz. Confirmed by John Fisher with Don Moore in Colombia, frequency switches from 940.05 to 940.83 sometime between 0300-0357 UTC, and then switches back sometime between 0906-0957 UTC. Mauno Ritola observed similar, the carrier jumping from 940.05 to 940.83 between 0400 and 0500 UTC. Apparently alternating between two transmitters. [Conti-NH]
  - 940 **MEXICO** XEQ *Ke Buena*, México, DF FEB 17 0801 Fair, het from HJGB; promo, "¡La Ke Buena!" [Conti-NH]
  - 950 **MEXICO** XEKAM Tijuana, BC FEB 2 0225-0230 Good with "Save Tonight" tune and several "Radio Fórmula" mentions. Essentially a local for me at 102 miles. [Battaglino-CA]
- MEXICO XEG Monterrey, NL JAN 30 0528 Long talk by male in Spanish. Sounded like he was in a small studio. "La Ranchera" ID at 0533, into possible ads. Poor at first, but audible under CHUM and others. Eventually lost. Parallel to Tune In stream. [Snider-ON]
- MEXICO XEP Cd. Juárez, Chih. FEB 12 0233-0241 Good with mix of regional Mexican music. "Radio Mexicana Nuestras Noticias" ID's between songs by male announcer. At 0241, what sounded like a news report began. Parallel stream. [Battaglino-CA]
- 1510 **ECUADOR** HCIO2 *R.Naval,* Guayaquil FEB 16 0402 Time signal through WLAC. FEB 17 0501 Time signal through WLAC. [Conti-NH]

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73 and Good DX!

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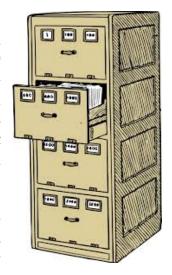
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## From the *DX News* archives ....

75 Years Ago – From the March 2, 1945 issue of *DX News*: According to Bill Gabriel, the new call letters for WEAF-660 New York will be WNBC; a \$75,000 campaign is planned to boost the new calls. A DX test from new station KONP-1450 Port Angeles WA, using a Douglas Fir tree as a tower, was widely heard on February 26, with reports from Al Bartholomew (Corning NY, "sure packs a wallop for 250 watts at that distance[;] they are louder than most 1 kW west coasters"), Joe Brauner (Williamsville NY. "h[ea]rd very well, not bad thru WGNC [Gastonia NC]), Ernie Cooper (Brooklyn NY, "nice S-6 sig[nal] and completely in [the] clear"), Pop Edge (Buffalo NY), Bill Gabriel (Lakewood OH), Ralph Johnanns (Buffalo NY), Doc Kirk (Point Pleasant WV), Cpl. Len Kruse (Fort Monmouth NJ), S/Sgt. Al Maley (Highland Falls NY), Stan Morss (Bradford MA, "my first 250 watt station on the Pacific coast"), Pat Reilly (Jamestown NY), and Dave Thomas (Proctorville OH)

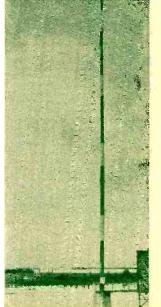


50 Years Ago – From the February 28, 1970 issue of *DX* News: While all reports in *DX News* are in Eastern Standard Time, it was proposed that domestic columns switch to Eastern Daylight Time during the summer months and the international columns to GMT year-round, since most domestic stations adjust their schedule when DST kicks in. Gordon Nelson's article on seasonal patterns in Trans-Atlantic signals continued: in the summer, more free electrons are produced in the ionosphere due to the longer days and higher sun angles, so it takes longer for them to recombine after sunset. Later in the evening this is less of a problem, but the early sunrise at most TA stations precludes much TA reception during the summer. In upcoming issues, Nelson goes on to discuss the Mid-Winter Anomaly, auroras, and other types of ionospheric absorption that affect TA reception. Richard Wood noted excellent reception of Eastern North American stations in Hawaii in early February, including graveyard stations in Illinois and Louisiana.

**25 Years Ago** – From the March 6, 1995 issue of *DX News*: Ray Moore discussed the relative merits and drawbacks of large and small, amplified and unamplified loop antennas. Don Moore noted that the second harmonic from San Andres Island, a Colombian island off the coast of Central America, was again audible on 2200 kHz. CFQC-600 Saskatoon SK had its final broadcast on Feb. 6, and CJWW-750 moved its format and calls to 600. On the same day, CJCL-1430 Toronto ON moved its calls and sports format to the former CKYC-590.

**10 Years Ago** – From the February 22, 2010 issue of *DX News*: The passing of three longtime club members were noted, incuding John Bryant, who died on February 9 from injuries sustained in a fall from a ladder, and Kermit Geary, an almost-charter member of the NRC, who died on February 10.

edited Proceedings, publication with many technical articles on DXing, and was a pioneer of, among other things, the Delta (or Kaz) antenna and the Ultralight movement. Kermit was an active NRC member almost from the very beginning (most of the early issues of DX News that have been scanned and posted to the NRC web site are from Kermit's collection). Both John and Kermit were wellknown to many in the NRC and in the DX community.



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