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BROADCAST TEST COORDINATOR – DX TESTS

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Sun 10/29/06+	0000-0005	1230	WODI	Brookneal VA	(Marthouse)
Mon 10/30/06+	0100-0600	1560	WMRO	Gallatin TN	(Bailey)
Sun 11/ 5/06	2200/0200	1340	WWNH	Madbury NH	(Walker)
Sun 11/19/06+	0200-0400	580	KANA	Anaconda MT	(ABDX)
Sun 11/19/06+	0200-0400	930	KLCY	East Missoula MT	(ABDX)
Sun 11/19/06+	0200-0400	1290	KGVO	Missoula MT	(ABDX)
Sun 11/19/06+	0200-0400	1310	KEIN	Great Falls MT	(ABDX)
Sun 12/10/06+	0500-0600	560	WFIL	Philadelphia PA	(Tetro)
Sun 12/10/06+	0500-0600	990	WNTP	Philadelphia PA	(Tetro)

WODI 1230khz Brookneal, VA DX Test. Date(s): Sunday Morning (Late Saturday Night) Starting October 1st and continuing until further notice. Time: Midnight until 00:05AM Eastern Time (5 Minute test each week.) Modes of Operation: Special DX Test. 1,000 Watts, Non-Directional. Programming: Morse Code ID's, Sweep Tones, Voice ID. Notes: This DX friendly station is co-owned by two amateur radio operators, and they have decided to conduct this rare, on-going DX test, giving listeners a weekly opportunity to put this station into the log books.

Reception reports are desired via e-mail (first choice) and snail mail (only if e-mail is not available) Station would prefer to receive recordings of the test (MP3, CD, or cassette). Submit reports to: les@highnoonfilm.com. Please put "WODI DX Test" in the subject line. All standard mail reports should go to: Les Rayburn, High Noon Film, 100 Centerview Drive Suite 111, Birmingham AL 35216.

*SASE Required for reply.

Thanks to Dave Marthouse, N2AAM & Tony DeNicola, WA2IHZ for putting on this unusual, long term DX tests for the benefit of distant listeners!

WMRO 1560khz Gallatin, TN DX Test. Date(s): Midnight to Five AM Central Time October 30th thru November 13th. (Two Week Test.) Time: Midnight until 5:00AM Central Time. Modes of Operation: "Inventory Insert" 60 Second Long Test. 0.003kw Non-Directional. (One night may include a brief full daytime power test.) Programming: Morse Code ID's, Sweep Tones, 60 Second Long "Inventory Insert" during local breaks. Notes: Transmitter audio chain testing. Exact times of the inserted spots will be given closer to the test time period. In general, look for the test to run near the Top of the Hour (TOH.) The extreme low power of this station at night should make this one a nice challenge!

Reception reports are desired via e-mail (first choice) and snail mail (only if e-mail is not available) Station would prefer to receive recordings of the test (MP3, CD, or cassette). Submit reports to: les@highnoonfilm.com. Please put "WMRO DX Test" in the subject line. All standard mail reports should go to: Les Rayburn, High Noon Film, 100 Centerview Drive Suite 111, Birmingham AL 35216. Please include a SASE for reply.

Our thanks Scott Bailey of WMRO, who's always been very DX Friendly! And also to Paul Walker, who helped to arrange yet another test for all of us.

WWNH 1340 Madbury, NH DX Test. Date(s): Late Sunday Night November 5th, 2006. Time: 10PM until 2:00AM Eastern Time. Modes of Operation: Transmitter Testing. 1,000 Watts, Non-Directional. Programming: Morse Code ID's, Sweep Tones, Voice ID. Notes: Transmitter audio chain testing. Listen for station jingles, special music, and other wild card items that may be transmitted by Paul

Walker. Don't discount the ability of graveyard stations to be heard during DX tests, as we've had widespread reports during some past tests.

Reception reports are desired via e-mail (first choice) and snail mail (only if e-mail is not available) Station would prefer to receive recordings of the test (MP3, CD, or cassette). Submit reports to: les@highnoonfilm.com. Please put "WWNH DX Test" in the subject line. All standard mail reports should go to: Les Rayburn, High Noon Film, 100 Centerview Drive Suite 111, Birmingham AL 35216.

Our thanks to Paul Walker, Jr. and the staff of WWNH for this test! Paul has been responsible for a large number of tests during the past two seasons, and all of us owe him a lot of gratitude.

Special Montana DX Test Announcement

The state of Montana is one of the rarest of all for DX'ers, especially those east of the Mississippi River. Through the joint efforts of a lot of dedicated folks, we are now proud to announce a special multi-station DX test from Montana offering listeners a rare opportunity to log this state.

Special thanks go out to the ABDX E-Mail List, Engineer Ron Huckeby, Michael Richard of KEVA, and the staff of these stations for putting this test together. DX'ers everywhere owe them all a debt of gratitude.

KEIN 1310khz Great Falls, MT (5KW Daytime Pattern)

KLCY 930khz, East Missoula, MT (5KW Daytime Pattern)

KGVO 1290khz, Missoula, MT (5KW Daytime Pattern)

KANA 580khz, Anaconda, MT (1KW Daytime Pattern) Date(s): Late Saturday Night November 18th, 2006 Midnight-Continuing until Early Sunday morning, November 19th at 2:00AM local. Time: Midnight until 2AM Mountain Time. 2 Hour Long Test. Modes of Operation: Transmitter Testing. Daytime Power & Patten for all stations. Programming: Morse Code ID's, Sweep Tones, Voice ID. Notes: Transmitter audio chain testing. Stations will broadcast voice ID's, Morse Code ID's, special Sweep Tone signals, etc.

Reception reports are desired via e-mail (first choice) and postal mail. Due to the high volume of QSL requests, we will only accept Postal reports as a last resort. No DX'er with e-mail capability will be allowed to submit a Postal QSL request. Station would prefer to receive recordings of the test (MP3, CD, or cassette). Submit reports to: les@highnoonfilm.com. Please put "Montana DX Test" in the subject line. All standard mail reports should go to: Les Rayburn, High Noon Film, 100 Centerview Drive Suite 111, Birmingham AL 35216.

Our thanks to the Kevin Redding & The ABDX E-Mail List, Ron Huckey, Michael Richard, Steve Dow, Todd Clark, and the staff members of these great stations for helping to arrange this once in a lifetime DXing event!

Received this note today from Steven Dow, the owner of KEIN 1310khz in Great Falls, Montana regarding the upcoming test on November 18-19th. For listeners who will be targeting KEIN 1310khz, this is important stuff. Again, our thanks to Steve Dow for this test!

"Hello Les:

I will be participating in the DX test, however, during testing of the audio chain during the two hour period I will have normal programming (nostalgia music) alternating with the morse ID's and test tones. KEIN has a 5/8 wave antenna so the sky wave tends to favor the long path. Best of luck with the test!

Steven Dow, Owner

SPECIAL "WEST COAST VERSION" WNTP/WFIL DX TEST

Rene Tetro has agreed to another test of stations WNTP/WFIL, this time with West Coast DX'ers in mind. Instead of the usual Midnight to 2AM tests of the past, this one will take place much later at night (0500AM local, making it 2:00AM on the West Coast). Having a 50KW test this late at night should really give some folks out West the chance to put this one in the log book. Ditto for the lower powered WFIL. Details below, and our sincere thanks to Rene Tetro!

WNTP 990khz Philadelphia, PA DX Test. WFIL 560 Philadelphia, PA DX Test Date(s): Sunday Morning December 10th, 2006. Time: 0500-0600 Eastern Time. One hour test. Modes of Operation: Transmitter Testing to check on improvements to the new audio chain.

WNTP: 0500-0530 50kw Day Directional Pattern, 05530-0600 5kw Non-Directional

WFIL: 0500-0530 5kw Day Directional Pattern, 0530-0600 2.5kw Non-Directional

Programming: Morse Code ID's, Sweep Tones, Voice ID. Notes: Transmitter audio chain testing. With WNTP running daytime power for ½ hour (50KW) this should present a real opportunity for DX'ers on the West Coast to log this station/state.

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RESULTS OF WNJC 1360khz DX Test

WNJC 1360khz, Vineland, NJ. Test Date: October 1st, 2006. 4KW, Non-Directional Pattern.

Again, our special thanks to John "Duke" Hamann for arranging this test! You put New Jersey into the log books of quite a few DX'ers!

First report of the test arrived only minutes after it started. Bob Antoniuk of Clifton, NJ who logged not only WNJC, but also the WODI 1230kHz test from Brookneal, VA (which stated at the same time) Both were pulled in on his stock Sony 2010. Other reports followed including Russ Johnson of Lexington, NC, Les Rayburn of Helena, AL (NJ #1), and Bert New of Watkinsville, GA. Bert reported this as the first logging of a Garden State station for him as well. Rene Tetro logged the test from his shack in Lansdale, PA, as did Joe Miller in Troy, Michigan. Our neighbors to the North also heard the test signals with Jerry Coatsworth of Merlin, Ontario, Canada reporting reception of both WNJC and WODI. Other lucky DX'ers included Bill Dvorak of Madison, WI, Jim Pogue of Memphis, TN, and J.D. Stephens of Hampton Cove, Alabama. Vermont was added to the list of states receiving the test with a successful report from Steve Howe in St. Albans. Rick Shaftan of NW New Jersey reported the test, "Blowing through his local". Others in the Northeast also pulled in this regional test, including Paul Walker, Jr in Dover, NH who's helped set up quite a few tests lately and DX'er Roy Barstow (Old Roy) who caught WNJC "about equal to WDRC". Richard Line of Sterling Heights, MI used a Drake R8B and a N/S 100 foot wire to pull the test in, while Curt Degan relied on his trusty Ten Tec RX-320D and an LF Engineering active whip to log this one from Boca Raton, FL. Another Drake owner, Dave Hochfelder of Highland Park, NJ used a Kiwa Loop antenna to log this, while Willis Monk used the classic Drake R4-C and a longwire to snag the test from his home in Old Fort, Tennessee. Others hearing the test were John J. Rieger, of South Milwaukee, WI, Bill Bergadano of Colts Neck, NJ, and Greg Harris of Park Forest, IL. The test represented the first logging of New Jersey for many, including Greg Myers of Largo, FL. He reported the stations easily heard despite a strong het on 1359 which was reported by many. Also success in their attempts were Brett Saylor of Central PA, Dave Pyatt of Burlington, Ontario, and Carl Mann of Omaha, NE. No surprise that the test was heard by Barry McLarnon of Ottawa. WNJC is a semi-local, and past tests have proven that Barry can hear a pin drop on a graveyard station 2000 miles away! And (YAWN) Neil Kazaross "KAZ" pulled them in as well from his shack in Barrington, IL. For this pair, DX Tests amount to training wheels. A. McKay of Ontario, Canada logged the test using a DX-394 receiver and a 50 foot wire, while Allan Loudell used a YB-400 with only it's internal antenna to pull the test in from Delaware. Others logging the test included Gerry Bishop of Niceville, FL, Tom Jasinski of Shorewood, IL, and Tim Noonan of Oak Creek, WI. Reports flowed in from folks like Steve Francis of Alcoa, TN, Larry Russell of Flushing, MI, and Phillip Chiello of Elm Grove, WI. The mail brought reports from R.C. Watts of Louisville, KY, and William Wilkins of Springfield, MO. That brings the totals to 16 states that logged the test, and some folks in Canada too! Great way to start the DX Season! Most unusual was the complete lack of "negative" reports this time around, though we're sure that someone out West must have tried for the test without success.

SOAPBOX

Great copy on the WNJC DX test here in North Carolina. The Morse Code was easy to read. Kudos for the various tones and signals. Got a great recording of it. -Russ Johnson, Lexington, NC

My first NJ station! Thanks to all those involved for making it happen. -Bert New, Watkinsville, GA

Surprised to get both these Northeasterners [WNJC & WODI] with the A index at 15. -J.D. Stephens, Hampton Cove, AL

Thanks very much for coordinating this test! The sweep tones and Morse IDs came through great. Even though WNJC is close, I haven't heard them at night before, so thanks for running the test. -Dave Hochfelder, Highland Park, NJ

The sweep tones and tone mod CW cut through the interference. My receiver is an Icom R75. My antenna is a homebrew hula hoop loop coax fed to a MFJ956 ATU. The loop is indoors (I'm in a condo) hanging in a window. -Greg Harris, Park Forest, IL

Test heard here easily with sweep tones at tune in, 0010 EDT, and like others nice loud het on 1359 (which I believe was the Jacksonville station that has been off freq. in the past). Many thanks to those involved in the test- first NJ from here. -Greg Myers, Largo, FL
WNJC reaches Omaha, Nebraska. In most of the night with only sweep tones and Morse code IDs clearly audible in the mix, though poor by 3am. Thanks for the opportunity to hear this station. -Carl Mann, Omaha, NE

WNJC is New Jersey station #7 heard from here. -Tom Jasinski, Shorewood, IL

WNJC heard easily over 1kHz tone or het with sweep tones, step tones, Morse Code, and many fun sounds such as the 20th Century-Fox fanfare and the Final Jeopardy music. Don't think I've heard them since their frequency check days (nights?) of yore. -Steve Francis, Alcoa, Tennessee

RESULTS OF WODI 1230kHz DX Test

WODI 1230kHz Brookneal, VA. Test Date: October 1st, 2006--?? 1KW, Non-Directional Pattern

Our special thanks to Tony DeNicola and Dave Marthouse for running this unique test. They've arranged for each Saturday night from Midnight local until 00:05AM to run a five minute DX test with sweep tones, Morse Code ID's, etc. So far, it's been widely heard. This are the results as of 10/18/06.but remember, it's not too late to log this one! They'll be back on the air this Saturday night! Tune in!

The first night of this unique DX Test coincided with the WNJC Test, with many DX'ers attempting (and succeeding) to log both stations within minutes of each others. Russ Johnson in Lexington, NC was the first to pull off this "DX Double", reporting WODI's Morse Code signals, weak but readable. Next up was Bob Antoniuk of Clifton, NJ, who copied both stations on his stock Sony 2010 using just the internal antenna! Also logging the first week of the WODI test was Bert New of Watkinsville, GA, Jerry Coatsworth of Merlin, Ontario, Canada, J.D. Stephens in Hampton Cove, AL, and Steve Howe of St. Albans, VT. Rich Line of Sterling Heights, MI used a Drake R8B with a 100' N/S wire to pull in the test, while Brett Saylor used his Icom R-75 and Ten Tec RX-320 with a sloper antenna to turn the trick. Others hearing the test included Tom Jansinski of Shorewood, IL, and Joe Miller of Troy, MI. This was the 334th MW station that Joe has logged in his short "career" on the broadcast band. Larry Russell of Flushing, MI pulled the test in using a Radio Shack DX-400 and got it on tape. Nice catch, Larry! Saul Chernos actually heard the test from his car radio in downtown Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Saul hears more DX on his car radio than I do with a shack full of gear! Barry McLarnon continues to hear pins drop from his home in Ottawa, Ontario. It must be something in the water up there. Barry logged the test but didn't need it, having heard WODI before. Ken Wilson in Central, KY reported the test "easy copy" there on his JRC NRD545 & Wellbrook 2 loop K9AY. Chris in Taylors, SC needed only a Sony Walkman to log the test through interference from WYSL. Another success story came in from Jim Pursel using his ICOM IC-T90A handheld and a homebrew antenna. His home is in Lancaster, PA. So far, that means this test has been logged in 15 states and Canada! But alas, some of us have not (YET!) been so successful in logging the tests. I appear to be just inside or outside the skip zone of WODI here in Central Alabama. I've heard not a trace of them so far. Likewise, Neil Kazaross reports no joy using his famous beverage on the ground (BOG) antennas either. Others who have so far been disappointed include Wade Smith of New Brunswick, Brandon Jordan, the hard working editor of the **DXTESTS.INFO** web site was rewarded yet for his efforts either, loved his comment though-"Maybe next week". How many DX tests can you say that about? Dennis in Vancouver, WA tried all his tricks including Quantum Phasers, a EWE antenna and even a KAZ special with no luck. Don't feel lonely Dave, I'm trying virtually the same guns here with no luck. Keep trying for this test, and we'll update all the results again in a few weeks.

SOAPBOX

Got them both here just after midnight local. Sweep tones and definitive Morse IDs on my 2010 with stock antenna. Thanks guys! -Bob Antoniuk, Clifton NJ

I managed to hear the Morse Code and Sweep tones of the WODI DX Test this week. So I am happy to report this as my 334th MW station logged. -Joe Miller, Troy, MI

In downtown Toronto ON in the car. Didn't have to go too far mobile - in front of my house was good enough. Thanks Dave et al at WODI! -Saul Chernos

We need to announce some changes in our policy for verifying QSL's for all DX tests that we've been asked to handle verification duties. Effective immediately, we will no longer be able to verify US Postal Service QSL requests from DX'ers who have e-mail capability.

As many of you are aware, we've moved towards "Electronic QSL's" which are simply .JPEG image files created especially for the tests by DX'er Joe Miller. When people send in Postal requests, we simply print that .JPEG image on an ordinary inkjet printer with no special paper, etc. There is no difference between the electronic version and the "printed" version at all.

In most cases, you'll be able to print a higher quality "card" at home, using photo paper and/or heavy cardstock. We've noticed that most Postal requests come from DX'ers who have already submitted electronic mail reports. In most cases, they have been receiving two QSL's.

We simply don't have enough time to handle the workload of verifying the tests, printing and cutting "cards", addressing envelopes, etc... and still find time to arrange for future tests. As I've stated many times, electronic QSL's, short notice DX tests, etc. are the future of our hobby.

Obviously, we'll continue to honor US Postal Mail reports that are received along with an SASE from DX'ers who don't have access to electronic mail, but we would really rather receive reports via e-mail and QSL them the same way.

Thanks for your understanding.

73, Les Rayburn, N1LF, IRCA/NRC Broadcast Test Coordinator

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CALL LETTER CHANGES

FREQ	OLD CALL	CITY	NEW CALL
570	WDNZ	Raleigh, NC	WDOX
680	WRDM	St. Petersburg, FL	WGES
690	KORL	Honolulu, HI	KHCM

890	KKBM	Mabane, TX	KTXV
890	KTXV	Frankston, TX	KKBM
960	WPBI	North Palm Beach, FL	WSVU
1130	WRKY	Murray, KY	WJGY
1180	KHCM	Honolulu, HI	KORL
1340	WRAW	Reading, PA	WKAP
1390	WAVP	Avon Park, FL	WFHT
1400	WPFM	Darlington, SC	WWRK
1410	KINF	Lompoc, CA	KUHL (note: still KTME 9/19 per monitoring-ye ed)
1440	KUHL	Santa Maria, CA	KINF
1450	WSRQ	Sarasota, FL	WSDV
1450	WVON	Cicero, IL	WRLL
1460	WJCI	Rantoul, IT	WKJR
1470	KEZZ	Estes Park, CO	KEPL
1530	KSMM	Shakopee, MN	KQSP
1590	new	Kearsarge, PA	WCXJ
1590	WTRW	Two Rivers, WI	WGBW
1690	WRLL	Berwyn, IL	WVON

FORMAT CHANGES

FREQ	CALL	CITY	OLD INFO	NEW INFO
610	KOJM	Havre, MT	adult contemporary	rock
630	WNEG	Toccoa, GA	soft AC	adult standards
680	WGES	St. Petersburg, FL	WRDM, SS hits	SS contemporary Xtian
690	KHCM	Honolulu, HI	KORL, ethnic	country
700	WGZS	Dothan, AL	oldies	silent
850	KJON	Carrollton, TX	tejano	Spanish religion
850	WXJC	Birmingham, AL	southern gospel	religious teaching
860	KFST	Fort Stockton, TX	soft AC	adult standards
910	KXEB	Frisco, TX	talk	religious teaching
930	KBAL	Bellingham, WA	adult standards	oldies
930	WMGR	Bainbridge, GA	soft AC	oldies
950	KMTX	Helena, MT	adult standards	oldies
960	WSVU	North Palm Beach, FL	WPBI, classic C&W	adult standards
1030	KDUN	Reedspoint, OR	traditional country	talk
1050	WFSC	Franklin, NC	soft AC	adult standards
1070	WMIA	Arecibo, PR	Spanish talk	silent
1110	WOMN	Franklinton, LA	country	contemporary Xtian
1160	KVCE	Highland Park, TX	format not available	talk
1180	KORL	Honolulu, HI	KHCM, country	ethnic
1180	WXLA	Dimondale, MI	urban AC	adult standards
1190	WJES	Saluda, SC	silent	oldies
1200	KYOO	Bolivar, MO	country	sports
1230	KHDN	Hardin, MT	soft AC	adult contemporary
1230	KTRF	Thief River Falls, MN	adult contemporary	talk
1230	WTCJ	Tell City, IN	soft AC	adult standards
1240	KELK	Elko, NV	adult contemporary	country
1250	WQHL	Live Oak, FL	sports	oldies
1250	WRKQ	Madisonville, TN	talk	oldies
1260	KWNX	Taylor, TX	sports	Spanish sports
1260	WLGD	Birmingham, AL	talk	classic hits
1290	KDMS	El Dorado, AR	southern gospel	country
1290	KNCK	Concordia, KS	soft AC	oldies
1290	WNIL	Niles, MI	soft AC	adult standards
1310	WBFD	Bedford, PA	soft AC	oldies
1330	WRAM	Monmouth, IL	country	talk
1340	KACH	Preston, ID	soft AC	adult standards
1340	KEWE	Oroville, CA	sports	Spanish
1350	WNNG	Warner Robins, GA	soft AC	adult standards
1390	WFHT	Avon Park, FL	WAVP, black gospel	format not available
1390	WHMA	Anniston, AL	talk	black gospel
1400	KCLA	Pine Bluff, AR	R&B oldies	silent
1400	WXAL	Demopolis, AL	black gospel	sports
1420	KRIZ	Renton, WA	R&B oldies	talk
1420	WASR	Wolfeboro, NH	soft AC	adult standards
1420	WVJS	Owensboro, KY	soft AC	adult standards
1450	KGIW	Alamosa, CO	oldies	adult contemporary
1450	KLZS	Eugene, OR	adult standards	Spanish sports
1450	KYLW	Lockwood, MT	soft AC	adult contemporary
1470	WQXL	Columbia, SC	religious teaching	silent
1470	WTOE	Spruce Pine, NC	soft AC	adult standards
1480	KBMS	Vancouver, WA	urban AC	talk
1480	KRAE	Cheyenne, WY	country	sports
1490	KBLF	Red Bluff, CA	soft AC	adult standards
1490	KBSR	Laurel, MT	soft AC	adult contemporary

1490	KOTN	Pine Bluff, AR	country	silent
1500	WPMB	Vandalia, IL	soft AC	adult standards
1510	KVCI	Canton, TX	contemporary Xtian	classic country
1520	KSQB	Sioux Falls, SD	sports	oldies
1520	WCHE	West Chester, PA	talk	modern rock
1530	KQSP	Shakopee, MN	contemporary Xtian	tropical
1530	WCTR	Chestertown, MD	soft AC	oldies
1530	WDAP	Huntingdon, TN	classic country	silent
1530	WTTI	Dalton, GA	southern gospel	silent
1560	WMBH	Joplin, MO	sports	urban contemporary
1590	KKAY	White Castle, LA	oldies	talk
1590	WAIK	Galesburg, IL	adult contemporary	news/talk
1590	WGGO	Salamanca, NY	soft AC	sports
1600	KMDO	Ft. Scott, KS	silent	talk
1600	KZGX	Watertown, MN	regional Mexican	ethnic

FACILITY AND PARAMETER APPLICATIONS

620	KJOL	Grand Junction, CO	5000/79 ND to 5000/320 DA-N
660	KGDP	Orcutt, CA	10000/1000 DA-2 to 8000/6000 DA-2
790	KBRV	Soda Springs, ID	5000-D ND to 50000/29 ND
860	WFMO	Fairmont, NC	1000/12 ND to 50000/740 DA-2
910	WFDF	Farmington Hills, MI	50000/19000 DA-2 to 50000/25000 DA-2
940	KTON	Belton, TX	1000/5 DA-2 to 4500-D DA
960	KOVO	Provo, UT	5000/1000 DA-N to 50000/940 DA-2
1080	WOAP	Owosso, MI	1000-D ND to 50000-D DA
1100	WZFN	Dilworth, MN	50000/1000 DA-N to 50000/450 DA-N
1110	WOMN	Franklinton, LA	1000-D ND to 50000/30 DA-2
1190	WAMT	Pine Castle, FL	5000-D ND to 4700/230 DA-N
1320	WJGR	Jacksonville, FL	5000/5000 DA-N to 19000/5000 DA-N
1360	WWWJ	Galax, VA	5000/31 ND to 2200/1400 DA-3
1370	WGHC	Clayton, GA	2500-D ND to 6000-D ND
1430	WHAN	Ashland, VA	1000/31 ND to 50000-D DA
1460	KHOJ	St. Charles, MO	5000-D DA to 5000/85 DA-2
1460	WNPL	Golden Gate, FL	850/340 DA-2 to 7000/2000 DA-2 (new CP)
1470	WBFC	Stanton, KY	850/82 ND to 2500/25 ND
1480	WGVU	Kentwood, MI	2500/5000 DA-N to 2000/5000 DA-N
1490	WICY	Malone, NY	1000/1000 ND to 50000 DA-2 (1490???-ye ed)
1520	WDCY	Douglasville, GA	2500-D ND to 50000-D DA
1520	WKVQ	Eatontown, GA	1000-D ND to 10000 ND2
1560	new	Walla Walla, WA	10000/1600 DA-2 to 10000/700 DA-2
1570	KPYK	Terrell, TX	250/6 ND to 270/6 ND
1590	KEAS	Eastland, TX	500-D ND to 1200-D ND
1590	KYNG	Springdale, AR	2500/58 ND to 2500/50 ND

FACILITY AND PARAMETER GRANTS

540	WFLF	Pine Hills, FL	50000/50000 DA-2 to 50000/46000 DA-2
690	KRGs	Rifle, CO	900/11 ND to 2300/16 ND
740	WMBG	Williamsburg, VA	500/8 ND to 500/7 ND
750	KHWG	Fallon, NV	7500/250 ND to 10000/250 ND
870	KHNR	Honolulu, HI	50000/50000 DA-1 to 10000/10000 ND
1060	KRCN	Longmont, CO	30000/111 ND to 50000/111 ND
1070	WKIL	Solana, FL	3100/260 ND to 1800/233 ND
1090	KUCU	Farmington, NM	1500/250 DA-2 to 10000/250 DA-2
1200	WAMB	Nashville, TN	10000 ND to 50000 ND
1280	KZNS	Salt Lake City, UT	10000/600 DA-2 to 50000/670 DA-2
1580	WVKO	Columbus, OH	1000/250 DA-2 to 3200/290 DA-2
1640	KDIA	Vallejo, CA	10000/1000 ND to 10000/10000 DA-N

PUBLIC LISTINGS COURTESY OF THERADIOJOURNAL.COM AND 100000WATTS.COM:

- 620: KKFR 92.3 Glendale/Phoenix AZ flips from R&B "Power 92" to news-talk, becoming KTAR-FM and simulcasting KTAR 620. The KKFR calls and format move to KZGL 98.3 Mayer/Phoenix AZ.
- 680: WRMD St. Petersburg FL flips from Spanish AC "Viva" to Spanish religion "Genesis 680," changing calls to WGES.
- 690: KHCM Honolulu HI flips from ethnic to country, swapping formats with KORL 1180 Honolulu HI. (The stations swapped calls last month.)
- 910: KXEB Frisco/Dallas TX flips from progressive talk to EWTN Catholic.
- 960: WPBI changes calls to WSVU North Palm Beach FL and flips from classic country to standards as "Seaview 960."
- 1180: WXLA Dimondale/Lansing MI flips from R&B to standards, simulcasting new sister station WILS 1320 Lansing MI.
- 1220: WIBQ Sarasota FL has gone silent.
- 1260: KWNX Taylor/Austin TX flips from ESPN sports to ESPN Deportes Spanish-language sports.
- 1260: WLGD Birmingham AL flips from talk to classic hits as "Legends 1260." The "Source" talk format that had been on 1260 moves to WXJC 850 Birmingham, while sister FM station WPHC 92.5 Cordova AL flips from "Positive Hit Country" to southern gospel.

1310: WWWW 1310 Detroit MI returns to its previous calls, WDTW.
 1330: KENU 1330 Enumclaw WA flips from dance to AAA.
 1340: KEWE Oroville/Chico CA flips from ESPN sports to Spanish "Radio Recuerdos," while sister station KRER 101.7 Hamilton City CA flips from Spanish to sports.
 1400: KCLLA Pine Bluff AR, KOTN 1490 Pine Bluff AR, KPBO 101.3 Pine Bluff AR and KZYP 99.3 Pine Bluff AR have gone silent (from R&B oldies, country, black gospel and rhythmic oldies, respectively.)
 1440: KUHL Santa Maria CA and KINF 1410 Lompoc CA swap calls (Note: 1410 was still KTME when we drove through the area on September 19th-ye ed)
 1450: WSRQ 1450 Sarasota FL changes calls to WSDV, flipping from news-talk to standards as "the Dove," simulcasting with WDDV 1320 Venice FL.
 1480: KRAE Cheyenne WY flips from classic country to ESPN sports.
 1520: KSQB Sioux Falls SD flips from Fox sports to "Kool Oldies."
 1560: WMBH Joplin MO flips from Fox sports to R&B as "AM Jamz - The Beat."
 1600: KMDQ Fort Scott KS returns to the air with talk and sports.
 1690: WRLL 1690 Berwyn/Chicago IL and WVON 1450 Cicero/Chicago IL swap calls, with WVON's talk format moving to 1690, replacing "Real Oldies" there.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBER AND CONTRIBUTOR LISTINGS:

Tim Noonan sends along the following:

Tim Noonan sends along his usual monthly list of AM call changes. Thanks, Tim! (TN-WI)

Mike Hardester sends along the following:

1490 WNNB NC New Bern and
 1570 WECU NC Winterville (ON Air)

12 October 2006 - Noted while in Greenville today, 1010 ELT+, and on the return trip to Jacksonville with separate programming, Gospel, but 2 IDs on 1490 were: "The all new 1490, WNNB, and 1570, WECU." On 1570, only IDs noted were "The all new 1570 AM, WECU." I suspect the WECU call letters stand for "East Carolina University" which is in Greenville.

1570 specific: Studio phone number announced on air: (252) 902-9147 which (Google search) refers to WNNB, but obviously the two stations are "sharing" an office. Long cuts of gospel music; local PSAs; a few local spots; what sounded like Live local news and weather near the bottom of the hour. No network news noted. Slogans: "The all new 1570" - sometimes with call letters following and sometimes not "Your 24 hour gospel station." "Your new sound in Greenville and Pitt County and surrounding areas" - as above, sometimes with call letters following and sometimes not "Listen to (insert name of program) on 15-70 AM. The right choice." "Hi. I'm (insert listeners name) and I listen to the all new 1570 AM." Of note on 1490, QRM at times from UNID ESPN affiliate. 1570 had no co-channel QRM, and was at least a fair level approaching Jacksonville - this with listed 3.8 kw. I don't know when WECU came on the air, so possibly this is already "old" news, but thought that I'd pass it along. (MH-NC)

Pat Martin sends along the following:

I (Pat) just got the word tonight (10/15) that KKPZ (1330 Portland, OR-ye ed) is going IBOC. (PM-OR)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Fort Worth TX Star-Telegram:

FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM, Sept. 22, 2006, Catholic company buys 2 area stations, By ROBERT PHILPOTSTAR-TELEGRAM STAFF WRITER

It appears that Air America, the liberal talk-radio network, won't be on the air much longer in Dallas-Fort Worth. Guadalupe Radio Network, a Midland-based Catholic broadcasting company, has announced on its Web site that it will take over two Dallas-Fort Worth stations as of Oct. 1: KXEB/910 AM, which is Air America's Dallas-Fort Worth station, and KJON/850 AM. Guadalupe Radio will broadcast in English on KXEB and in Spanish on KJON. "It's a done deal, contingent on FCC approval," said Dave Palmer, general manager of Guadalupe Radio Network. Under the deal, Guadalupe Radio Network will lease the stations from Border Media Partners, which owns KXEB and KJON. FCC approval could take up to 60 days, but Palmer says he doesn't foresee any problems. "We hope one of the first programs that airs will be the Mass, which airs at 10 a.m. Sundays," he said. "We don't exactly know what time of day the switch will take place, but it will happen on Oct. 1." For the time being, Guadalupe Radio Network will air programs from Eternal Word Television Network, a Catholic cable channel. Palmer is planning some local programs, including one that he will host, but he said they probably won't start until the beginning of the year. "We'll be teaching Catholics and non-Catholics alike about what Catholicism is all about," he said. "Even some Catholics don't know everything they need to know about Catholicism." Guadalupe Radio owns eight stations in Central and West Texas and one in New Mexico. With the new Dallas stations and a planned San Antonio station, Palmer said, the potential listenership will jump from 600,000 to 8 million. Officials with Border Media Partners did not return a request for comment. Phone and e-mail attempts to reach anyone at KXEB or at Air America's New York headquarters were unsuccessful. Air America debuted with much fanfare in 2004 -- and was also greeted with much skepticism from radio observers who saw talk radio as an almost exclusively conservative domain. It didn't debut in Dallas-Fort Worth until March 2005, and it never really registered in the local Arbitron ratings. Coincidentally, Al Franken: God Spoke, a documentary featuring Air America's best-known host, is scheduled to open Sept. 29 at Dallas' Angelika Film Center -- two days before Guadalupe Radio takes over KXEB. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following:

Clear Channel Re-Ups Hannity On 80 Stations, Sep. 27, 2006, By Al Peterson

Clear Channel Radio has inked a renewal with ABC Radio Networks that will keep ABC's "Sean Hannity Show" on the air at 80 of CC's stations for another three years. The new deal will keep Hannity's program on the air through 2010 at his Clear Channel Radio-owned affiliates in Houston, Miami, Phoenix, Minneapolis, Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, along with 74 other markets nationwide. Commenting on the Hannity renewal, Clear Channel Radio VP of programming Sean Compton said, "Sean has done an incredible job producing great ratings and, most importantly, desirable demographics for our stations." Since Hannity's launch into

national syndication in 2001, his daily 3-6 p.m. ET show has grown to reach an estimated audience of 15 million listeners weekly on a reported 500-plus affiliates nationwide. The conservative talker has also earned numerous awards for his daily radio program, including two R&R Industry Achievement Awards for National Talk Show Host of the Year in 2003 and 2004, and three National Association of Broadcasters Marconi Awards for Talk Show Host of the Year in 2003, 2004 and 2005. (DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following:

Mike Gallagher Stops Planned Protests At Amish Funerals, Oct. 04, 2006, By Al Peterson

In a case where radio stepped in to craft a positive outcome to a potentially volatile situation, Salem Radio Network talk host Mike Gallagher has successfully negotiated a stop to a planned protest by members of the Kansas-based Westboro Baptist Church at the funerals of several Amish girls slain earlier this week in Nickel Mines, Pa. Gallagher, who airs on nearby WNTP/Philadelphia, offered a representative of Westboro a live interview on his nationally syndicated SRN radio show if the group would call off its planned protest at the girls' funerals. The group, which is known for launching similar disruptive protests at funerals of soldiers killed in action during the Iraq war, had announced it would mount its latest protest outside services tomorrow for the young Amish girls who were gunned down at their school by Charles Roberts IV. The Westboro group said it planned to stage the protests to demonstrate its anger over Pennsylvania governor Ed Rendell's recent signing of legislation that amended the state's crimes code to make such demonstrations at funerals a third-degree misdemeanor and to allow for the filing of civil actions against the demonstrators. A statement posted today on the Westboro Baptist Church Web site reads, "Above Picket Cancelled. In consideration for having WBC's representative on the Mike Gallagher Show from 10 to 11 a.m., Thursday, October 5, WBC has cancelled the above picket." Commenting on the deal, Salem Radio Network VP news and talk programming Tom Tradup told R&R, "All of us at SRN believe that shining the white hot light of public opinion on this protest group not only contributes to the marketplace of ideas but, more importantly, it preserves the dignity and privacy of the Amish families who have already suffered so greatly in this horrible incident.(DP-HI)

Dale Park sends along the following from the Fort Wayne IN Journal-Gazette:

From Ft. Wayne.com: Posted on Fri, Aug. 25, 2006, Are you ready for football and religion? By Justin A. Cohn, The Journal Gazette

Redeemer Radio, WLYV, 1450 AM, is trying to make its presence felt locally through faith and football. A Catholic station based in Fort Wayne, it will broadcast Notre Dame's games this season. It will have other sports, too, including Fighting Irish men's basketball and high school football. "In the Catholic radio world, which is a really new, fast-growing phenomenon across the country, this is the typical model," said Chris Langford, president of Redeemer Radio. "We are a local group that has the zeal to evangelize the faith." And bring local fans their dose of Brady Quinn passes. Last season, Notre Dame football was available in the area only through Warsaw-based WRSW, 107.3 FM, while basketball was on its sister station, 1480 AM. That will continue this year. "We're just glad we are able to provide Fort Wayne with Notre Dame football," said Patrick Brown, general manager of 107.3-FM and 1480 AM, "and we'll still have football on the FM station. They'll be able to get us in Fort Wayne and as far as Van Wert, Ohio. To compete with (Redeemer Radio) is not something we're concerned about." But Redeemer Radio, which assumed its current format in December 2005, believes Notre Dame football should be available through a Fort Wayne-based station, too. "We were surprised to find out that ND football in particular, and men's basketball, did not have a Fort Wayne affiliate," Langford said. "As part of our mission to serve the Catholic community and foster Catholic education and the diocese, we thought that would be a great alignment with who we are as a Catholic radio station." Redeemer Radio, a not-for-profit entity, has 1,000 watts of power. According to the station, its broadcasts can be heard strongly throughout Allen County and at least as far as Ohio, Decatur, Columbia City and Auburn. Most of its programming consists of syndicated shows. Notre Dame football is aired via the Westwood One Radio Network, with Don Criqui as the play-by-play man and former Notre Dame running back Allen Pinkett as the color analyst. Westwood One officials were not available for comment. The Fighting Irish basketball broadcasts are aired through Notre Dame's own network. "Fort Wayne is an important market to us," said Scott Correia, general manager for Notre Dame sports properties, which handles the men's basketball broadcast rights. "We've got a lot of alumni and a lot of fans there in (northeast Indiana). We've played some games there. ... We know there's a high interest and this will help us reach that constituency and fan base. We're obviously a Catholic institution and for (Redeemer Radio) to be a Catholic station, they understand our values." Even though Redeemer Radio is a denominational network, it hopes people won't be afraid to tune in regardless of their beliefs. "Outreach to the community at large is part of why we're happy to have Notre Dame and the high-school programming," Langford said. "Our intent is to be evangelistic, to both Catholics and non-Catholics. We want to be there for everybody. We think this is an effective means to reaching more people. But if (people) want to tune in just for Notre Dame, they may do that, too." jchoan@ig.net. (DP-HI)

Richard E. Wood passes on the following:

KTCT-1050 San Mateo, CA is heard ID'ing as "KNBR" not just the "KNBR2 1050" given in NRC Log 26th Edition. ID's as "KTCT" or even "KNBR2" are rare. This is similar to KBJD-1650 Denver, CO which often ID's as "KNUS" (KNUS is on 710). IRCAN's should watch out for such ID practices. (REW-HI)

CHMJ Vancouver, BC heard with a new format of conservative talk (the first time I have heard such a format from Canada) and ID'ing as "NW-98" or "KNW-98". It is unclear how it relates to CKNW-980 New Westminster, BC (a suburb of Vancouver). A network operation (but two parallel stations in the same major market seems unlikely) a switch of formats or calls or what? Perhaps a BC member can explain. (REW-HI)

As of 10/1, KORL-690 and KHCM-1180 Honolulu have switched frequencies, KHCM is now on 690 with C&W oldies and such ID's as "The songs and artists you love, all weekend on AM 6-90, AM 6-90, KHCM". KORL is on 1180. Format is ethnic including Chinese, Filipino, Japanese and Samoan. Some segments of the Filipino programming are presented in English and include non-Filipino music. (REW-HI)

1400 AM KOOG

Ye editor sends along the following:

XERA-690/XETRA-690 Tijuana, BCN, Mexico still noted ID'ing as "equis-eh-erre-ah/equis-eh-teh-erre-ah" on October 11th, not ID'ing as XEWR as reported prior. Looks like they haven't changed calls after all from XERA/XETRA to XEWR. (Ye ed-CA)

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DATE OF COLUMN: 10/17/06. Convention was terrific, thanks to Pat Martin for a terrific job. Guess I lost out on both the TVA and RHA awards to Lee Freshwater and Les Rayburn, respectively, congrats to those 2 individuals for their great efforts for the club also, both heartily deserve the award. Getting heavily into the DX season now, cx are terrific of late. 2 weeks till Halloween. That's what everyone says to me when I walk down the street: "Hello, Wien". 73's.

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580 KUBC **CO**, Montrose 10/20 0856 ID "Real Country KUBC," into C&W music. (BB-AZ)

590 KSUB **UT**, Cedar City 10/13 2349 "Talk Radio 590 KSUB" ID, then back into talk. (NP-AB)

600 KOGO **CA**, San Diego 10/4 0933-0935 weather by Dave Mason, Sky Walker with traffic.
Fading fast. (RA-NV)

KROD **TX**, El Paso 10/19 0845 with ID "KROD News Headline," then traffic report at 0847,
on top of KOGO. (BB-AZ)

620 KGTL **AK** Homer 10/10 1106 "Good morning, I'm... KGTL news..." 1110 "You're listening to
the 7am edition of KGTL news." Very good atop my weak local KIPA, new. (REW-HI)

630 KPLY **NV**, Reno 10/13 2344 local ads, "ESPN Radio 630" ID then back to Douglas vs Reno
football coverage. Dominating the frequency thanks to some auroral conditions.
(NP-AB)

690 KTSM **TX**, El Paso 10/13 2353 promo for traffic report, then ads, ID as "Newstalk 690
KTSM" and into talk program. Fox News at 0400 then lost under CBKF1. New for me.
(NP-AB)

700 KBYR **AK**, Anchorage 10/10 1025 Laura Ingraham talk show, ID by man "Smart Radio,
KBYR," ad. 1430 "ON newsradio 700, I'm Ted..." into Fox news. 1032 "Smart Radio
700 KBYR time 6:32." Very good, new. (REW-HI)

KMBX **CA**, Soledad 10/17 0123 Spanish music, ad string, complete ID at 0152. Believe they
were on day power, gone suddenly at 0212 so they probably switched to night power.
(MF-CA)

KALL **UT**, North Salt Lake City 10/10 0200 Fox news, 0203 "Weather forecast for Salt
Lake... temp 46 degrees." Good, clear, new. (REW-HI)

720 KSAH **TX**, Universal City 10/18 0831 with "La Estacion de la Raza" under KDWN. (BB-AZ)

750 KHWG **NV**, Fallon 10/11 0900 great signal with opening announcements for the day, then
back into country music. (NP-AB)

KXL **OR**, Portland 10/13 0859 traffic report, ID as "Newsradio 750, KXL," then weather.
(NP-AB)

770 KCHU **AK**, Valdez 10/10 1040 promo, "Tonight at 8, on Alaska 1... on Alaska 1..." Good.
(REW-HI)

TIS **CA**, Ontario (Ontario International Airport) 10/18 0510 good at times in KKOBN null,
over unID Spanish, giving parking & terminal information, mentioned "Welcome to
Ontario International Airport." KKOBN-770 splash. Airport is SW of me so nulling KKOBN
to the east gets me looping the airport station. Calls were something like WPKY-???
But couldn't make them out... will check on that. I am 8 miles from the airport. New.
(RW-CA)

KKOB **NM**, Albuquerque 10/10 0003 promo "Listen to Rush Limbaugh on 770 KKOB," 0005
"Time 10:05, 770 KKOB, 10:05... 7770 KKOB" 0007 into talk show. 0014 ID by
woman "KKOB." Note that all four letters are now given, previously only "KOB." Good.
(REW-HI)

780 KNOM **AK**, Nome 10/9 0945 message about parenting, quick mention of "43 degrees in
Nome," then "Word for the Day." New for me. Alaska #5. (NP-AB)

WBBM **IL**, Chicago 10/10 0012 local news, "The power company told WBBM... WBBM news
time 11:12." Quite good over/under KKOBN. First Midwestern catch this season.
(REW-HI)

910 KIYU **AK**, Galena-Nenana 10/10 1115 NPR, interviewing British woman. Quite good, last
heard in 1980's. (REW-HI)

920 KSRM **AK**, Soldatna-Kenai 10/10 1118 local ad, 1119 "On KSRM talk...newsradio..." 1120
male host, female caller. Quite good, last heard in 1980's. (REW-HI)

970 KHTY **CA**, Bakersfield 10/9 0050 news by man, ID "You're listening to Fox News Radio on
KHTY Bakersfield 9-70." Very good. (REW-HI)

980 KINS **CA**, Eureka 10/18 0500 total surprise in KFWB null over unID Spanish (KDBV?) with
PSA on DUI crackdown in Del Norte County, mention of KINS and KURY (910
Brookings, OR). ID on hour "This is Rush Limbaugh, listen to me here, on KINS
Eureka," faded down. Used to be regular in San Jose, but first time logged in So CA.
Strong signal, maybe left their day pattern on by accident? 980 was quite alive last
night with other stations in there as well, possibly KSVK also. (RW-CA)

CKNW **BC**, New Westminster 10/10 0010 sports talk, Edmonton Eskimos, 0053 interviewed
a golfer. Good over KDBV; //CHMJ-730! (REW-HI)

1010 KSIR **CO**, Brush 10/5 0159 ESPN sports talk, "You're listening to ESPN Radio," 0200 into
local ID by man "Home of the Colorado... (didn't catch name of team), this is KSIR
Fort Morgan-Holing," into network news. This flea power (listed 280 watts nites) is
getting to be a regular! Good over KCHJ-CA, trace of CBR. (REW-HI)

1020 KAXX **AK**, Eagle River 10/10 1045 classical piano. Good, new. (REW-HI)

1060 CKMX **AB**, Calgary 10/18 0610 making first time appearance for me in So. CA, great
conditions to AB (CBR booming in at the time) with song "You're My Jamaica" by
Charlie Pride, "CKMX" ID, over KTNS-KDUS-unID religious station (KBGN?), faded
under KDUS/KTNS. Regular in Bay Area for me though. (RW-CA)

1110 KDIS **CA**, Los Angeles 10/3 2021 mentioning an album that can be bought at K-Mart,
played sample. Weak. (RA-NV)

1170 KJNP North Pole 10/10 1123 woman with weather for Central Alaska, "Highs near 50,
mostly cloudy, scattered showers..." Good over Korean. Last heard in 1980's.
(REW-HI)

1190 KORG **CA**, Anaheim 10/3 2017 came through QRM, discussing in Vietnamese the HIV
epidemic. (RA-NV)

1260 KLYC **OR**, McMinnville 10/14 1258 woman said "There's always something more on 1260
KLYC," then back to oldies. News was at 1302. Dominating the frequency, very
unusual. (NP-AB)

1290 KSAC **CA**, Sacramento 10/5 0058 light piano solo, 0100 ID by man "AM 12-40 KSAC is
Sacramento, a service of..." into news. Quite good. (REW-HI)

1300 KAZN **CA**, Pasadena 10/3 2023 checked with KAHZ (same broadcast). First time recorded
this hour in Nevada, fighting through QRM. (RA-NV)

KAHZ **CA**, Pomona 10/3 2017-2018 in Chinese (may have been news). Fair, faded out and
came back through QRM. (RA-NV)

1310 KXAM AZ, Mesa 10/3 2124-2026 Remax Realtors sponsoring traffic report, actress Tanya Roberts with Las Vegas promo. Fair to weak. First time heard. (RA-NV)

1320 KCTC CA, Sacramento 10/4 0938-0940 Loomis Cabinet ad (914 area code businesses ads), traffic, weak. (RA-NV)

1400 KVTO CA, Berkeley 10/4 0000 usual ID by man "The Bay Area's Voice of the Orient, KVTO Berkeley-San Francisco-San Jose." Good. (REW-HI)

1410 KTME(KINF/KUHL?) CA, Lompoc 10/18 0605 faded up over KERN-KRML in KCAL null with ID "Information 1410, and 1440 AM." Don't know if changed to KUHL calls yet (KUHL-1440 is supposed to be KINF now and 1410 KUHL with a call swap, though in mid-September while driving thru area 1410 was still KTME at top of hour ID. Anybody in area confirm what their calls are now? (RW-CA)

1430 KWST CA, El Centro 10/4 0944 ads for California Milk Farmers, Kohl's opening, call ID. QRM from KMRB San Gabriel. (RA-NV)

1450 KNOT AZ, Prescott 10/16 2114 briefly dominant with C&W tune "Song of the South." (MS-CA)

KGAM CA, Palm Springs 10/16 2100 traded places with KFSD Escondido long enough for me to catch top of hour ID into news. (MS-CA)

KTIP CA, Porterville 10/18 0930 on top with live morning team talking about Porterville City Council, Tulare County weather. (MS-CA)

1490 KOWL CA, South Lake Tahoe 10/11 0052 weak with Laura Ingraham, local weather, "AM 14-90 KOWL" ID's, top of hour SID then lost. (MF-CA)

1520 KVTa CA, Port Hueneme-Ventura 10/5 0104 detailed local news, 0105 "KVTa weather forecast..." ID "15-20 KVTa," local spot. Very good, over KGDD-OR. (REW-HI)

1550 KMRI UT, West Valley City 10/19 0922 with ID and many local ads. (BB-AZ)

1540 KREA HI, Honolulu 10/7 0000 Korean, English ID by man "This is KREA Honolulu 15-40 on the AM dial," into Korean show, theme music the old Don Ho favorite "Pearly Shells" in instrumental version. If used nightly, this should make ID easy for U.S. mainland DX'ers. Good. (REW-HI)

1550 KRPI WA, Ferndale 10/9 0000 English ID by man "15-50 AM KRPI Ferndale," Indian music, into woman in Punjabi. KRPI may stand for "Radio Punjab(i) India." Very good, dominant. (REW-HI)

1580 KKKK CO, Colorado Springs 10/16 0459:45 fair on top briefly with ID's for several stations in the Colorado Radio Network including KKKK Colorado Springs, into ABC news. Rather poor in signal. Must have been on low power. (PM-OR)

CKDO ON, Oshawa 10/16 0502 fair at times on top with oldies music. Heard one of my favorites from the 70's "Could You Ever Love Me Again?" by Gary and Dave (Canadian duo), ID as "Celebrating 50 years... Oshawa's oldies... KDO" into Sloop John B by the Beach Boys. (PM-OR)

1600 KAHZ CA, Pomona 10/14 0900 triple ID "This is KAZN Pasadena, KAHZ Pomona and WAZN Lawnsdale (?) - Boston." (MS-CA)

1610 (Talking House) HI, Talking House, B Street, Kaloli Point, Hawaiian Paradise Park, Puna, Big Island, went off the air 10/2. First noted 5/27. Off air because house sold or was taken off market, or other reason (transmitter failure?). Was always good here. (REW-HI)

WPZH377 HI, Honolulu 10/9 0123 usual tape loop by slightly local-accented woman. Quite good; audible again now that my nearby Talking House is off. (REW-HI)

1630 KKGm TX, Fort Worth 10/4 2355 female preacher on love of God. 105 0000 ID by man "KKGm Ft. Worth- Dallas," good. (REW-HI)

DX TEST

1580 (CKDO) ON, Oshawa 10/5 2100-10/6 0200 DX program inaudible due to super-powerful KBLA-1580 CA and KMIK-AZ. KMIK at times dominant at SSS, otherwise KBLA. (REW-HI)

UNIDS

1060 UNID 10/18 0608 unID religious station with preacher talking about the Gospel of Luke, looped NNE/SSW, faded up briefly over CKMX-KDUS-KTNS-KDYL but then faded out under CKMX which then faded out to KDUS-KTNS. Possibly Caldwell, ID? (RW-CA)

1160 UNID 10/18 0540 unID with STRONG open carrier looping N-S way over KSL. Suspect XEQIN turned on their open carrier, possibly hear open carrier turn on about 0500 but not sure. Why would they be turning their open carrier on at 2am PDT? Don't hear Mexican stations test as a rule. Open carrier sounded like a vacuum cleaner sucking noise, almost like IBOC co-channel splatter (wasn't IBOC though). (RW-CA)

1440 UNID 10/4 sounded like an oldies station, but faded out. Clues? (RA-NV)

Thanks to our reporters this week. We had five different states represented. Nancy 10/20 2100

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[JcJ+NJ-ID-UT] Your editor and wife Nancy using the Chevy TrailBlazer radio (we turned away from XM for a minute or two) along I-15 in Idaho and Utah.

DOWN THE DIAL

560 KWTO MO, Springfield. 10-1 good to fair with minor splash from KTRS-550. 20:05 with "The Talk Of The Ozarks, AM-560 KWTO" slogan in promo, local spots, Weather Channel forecast into Bruce Williams. [EB-MO]

580 WGAC GA, Augusta. 10-14. 07:05 with CBS News, weather, ID, talk show. New logging for me. [SP-WI]

790 WKRD KY, Louisville. 10-1 good. 20:10 with NASCAR Today, network spots, "7-90 WKRD" ID and local spots. [EB-MO]

830 KOTC MO, Kennett. 10-2 fair over WCCO. 17:32 with Classic Country format, "Cotton Country 8-60 AM KKOW" slogan ID. [EB-MO]

860 KKOW KS, Pittsburg. 10-1 good to poor in CJBC null. 20:22 with Classic Country format. "Classic Country 8-60 AM KKOW" slogan ID. [EB-MO]

920 WTCW KY, Whitesburg. 10-6 heard over WBAA and mixed with CFRY. 23:00 with ID and country music. This station appears to be a regular here now. [TMJ-IL]

940 WNRG VA, Grundy. 10-2 good to poor through WMIX, KPSZ, and XEQ. 20:25 with Southern Gospel music. "Your home for Solid Gospel Music, WNRG Grundy, Virginia" legal ID at 20:30. [EB-MO]

WYLD LA, New Orleans. 10-10 excellent. 18:47 with spot cluster, Gospel music. [JP-TN]

990 WCAZ IL, Carthage. 10-3 good to fair through CBW. 20:29 with Carthage High School girls volleyball game. Local spots. [EB-MO]

1210 WILY IL, Centralia. 10-8 fair signal, digital hash from WSDZ 1260 nulled. 17:02 with network spots, CNN News, into oldies. "AM 12-10 WILY" ID. [EB-MO]

1310 KMBS LA, West Monroe. 10-5 good. 18:56 with Business Talk Radio. [JP-TN]

1340 WIZE OH, Springfield. 9-23 fair to poor in mess. Tentative on this at 00:20 with sports talk, Fox Sports Radio promos, National Sports Report, spots. [EB-MO]

1350 WKCU MS, Corinth. 9-20 good to poor. 22:30 with "The New AM 13-50" slogan, promo, mention of Florence, AL. Contemporary Christian music. [EB-MO]

1360 KMJM IA, Cedar Rapids. 10-2 fair to poor with others. Tentative. Noted at 17:51 with sports talk, PSA, "The new 13-60 the ticket" slogan into local news with mentions of Iowa City. [EB-MO]

WMOB AL, Mobile. 10-13 fair. 20:55 with "Compassion Radio" program. [JP-TN]

1400 KKTL WY, Casper. 10-3 poor through others. 20:59 with weather, calls given, "The Zone" slogan into ABC News. [NJ-MT]

KODI WY, Cody. 10-4 poor through many others. 21:00 with "You're listening to KODI AM Cody, Wyoming." [NJ-MT]

1440 (KPTO) ID, Pocatello. 10-7 and again 10-15 noted station silent. [JcJ+NJ-ID-UT]

1450 WGNS TN, Murfreesboro. 9-20 fair to poor through mess. 21:28 with local spots, mention of Murfreesboro. [EB-MO]

1470 KNFL UT, Tremonton. 10-7 while in area. 18:15 spot cluster, KOGN IDs only. Format is a middle of the road rock oldies / NOS. This station has been noted silent for over 12 years we've driven through Tremonton. Surprised to find them on. [JcJ+NJ-ID-UT]

1460 WBOG WI, Tomah. 9-20 fair to poor with others. 21:32 with oldies format. "Oldies Radio" slogan mentioned, spots, legal ID at 22:00. [EB-MO]

1500 WLQV MI, Detroit. 10-15 excellent. 19:58 with "Pastor of the Week" promo. [JP-TN]

1550 KYAL OK, Sapulpa. 10-15 good. 20:39 with "The Sports Animal" slogans. [JP-TN]

1560 WPAD KY, Paducah. 10-16 excellent. 18:50 with ESPN, local spot cluster. [JP-TN]

WQEW NY, New York. 9-23 good to fair over WPAD. 21:39 with Radio Disney promos, PSA, job hotline promo with an 212 Area Code. Pop music format. [EB-MO]

1580 CKDO ON, Oshawa. 9-20 good to fair. 20:22 with oldies, "15-80 CKDO" ID. Calls last heard in 1996 when on 1350. [EB-MO]

KKKK CO, Colorado Springs. 10-6. 22:00 with multi-station ID "KRZN Longmont, KKKK Colorado Springs, KVLE Vail, KSKE Buena Vista, KBLE Gunnison. The Radio Colorado Network." [NJ-MT]

+ 10-7. 00:59 with ID on the hour mentioned "KRC?N Longmont, KKKK Colorado Springs....The Radio Colorado Radio Network." Got on tape while copying the CKDO 60th Anniversary DX program. [TMJ-IL]

1600 KCRG IA, Cedar Rapids. 10-3 fair to poor through WCGO in KATZ null. 22:48 with NASCAR and Fox Sports Radio promos into sports talk, network and local spots, legal ID into National Sports Report. [EB-MO]

WTAW TX, College Station. 10-3 good to fair over WWLV. 22:30 with power outage reports for area. [EB-MO]

1620 WWLV IN, South Bend. 10-3 fair to poor through WTAW. 22:30 with Adult Contemporary music, local spots, legal ID at 22:45. [EB-MO]

1630 KCJJ IA, Iowa City. 10-2 fair. 17:38 with "Don and Mike." Several thunderstorm watch announcements for eastern Iowa. Local spots. [EB-MO]

1660 KXOL UT, Brigham. 10-7 while in area. 18:25 noted with SS music format. No longer the great early rock era oldies. [JcJ+NJ-ID-UT]

KXTR KS, Kansas City. 10-2 fair. 17:44 with promos for concerts at Johnson County Community College. Gave 913 Area Code phone number. PSA, local spots. "16-60 KXTR" mention in promo. Also mentioned sister station KMBZ 980. [EB-MO]

1690 WRLL IL, Berwyn. 9-20 good to fair. 22:15 with talk, mention of Radio One O&O, WAMJ 102.5 Mableton, GA, promo for seminar in Chicago. [EB-MO]

DX TESTS

1230 WODI VA, Brookneal. 10-8 weak. 00:01-00:06 weak with code and sweep tones during scheduled weekly DX Tests. [TMJ-IL]

1360 WNJC NJ, Vineland. 10-1 fair to good signals during scheduled DX Test. 00:02-00:30 with code, sweep tones, staircase waves and partial voice ID's. NJ#7! [TMJ-IL]

1580 CKDO ON, Oswawa. 10-7 good copy over WHLY and KKKK. 00:25 to 01:00. Heard special DX Program for 60th anniversary of CKDO. [TMJ-IL]

25 YEARS AGO

October 24, 1981 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Todd Skaine** of Cedar Falls, IA told about his new receiver he built from a Heathkit ... **Gene Martin** of Denver, CO discussed the difference in reception conditions in Denver compared to Minneapolis while on a trip there ... **Doug Pifer** of Santa Ana, CA said he doesn't DX as much as when he worked second shift.

OPEN MIKE

A big CDXR welcome to **Jim Pogue**. A couple of the reports this time were delayed as they arrived while Nancy and I were on vacation. A reminder as we head into the new DX season. Report actual DX only (no internet news items) to this column. Format your report as you see the tips listed. Be sure to include details that will help others ID a station. Non-DX related station material of no interest to a DXer will be edited. (Those items are for the Forum column). Unreadable reports will be tossed. When sending reports via e-mail do not send as an attachment as I don't open any attachments. This column was typed 10-21-07. 73, John

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(WM-MD) **William McGuire** DRAKE R-8B, 135' N/S L.W., SANGEAN ATS 909

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(MH-NC) **Mike Hardester** DX-398

Jacksonville, NC

LOGGINGS

560 KY WMIK Middlesboro, 2210-2240 10/17, fair-weak with Southern Gospel u/WIND. (rce-IN)

760 NC WCIS Morganton, 10-10 1840, County Gospel MX; ID. (WM-MD)

790 WI WAYY Eau Claire, 0440 10/19, fair w/spots, promo for morning program ID, ESPN. (rce-IN)

910 NC WSRP Jacksonville, although a Spanish language station, WSRP has been broadcasting local high school sports, in English, on Friday nights

Interestingly, tonight, the same game being broadcast on WSRP was being broadcast on WJCV-1290, also in Jacksonville. (MH-NC)

OK KVIS Miami, 0545-0603 10/17, fair with some fading, Southern Gspl. (rce-IN)

990 PA WNTF Philadelphia, 9-29 2045, Ads, ID. (WM-MD)

1140 IN WAWK Kendallville, 0757 10/16, poor with mention of Kendallville. (rce-IN)

MO KPWB Piedmont, 0800-0810 10/16, fair with news, weather, political spot sports. (rce-IN)

1160 KY WDJO Florence, 10/20/06 2258, ID on top of the clutter. Decent signal for the moment it appeared, only to disappear into the mix. "Oldies 1160 WDJO". (IEN-GA)

1290 OH WHIO Dayton, 10-02 2005, Wx. "News Talk 1290"; ID. (WM-MD)

1470 VA WBTX Broadway, 10-09 1841, Wx; ID; s/off. (WM-MD)

1480 PA WDAS Philadelphia, 10-09 1825, ID; Local mentions. (WM-MD)

1680 LA KRJO Monroe, 0740-0750, good over WDSS w/urban gospel. (rce-IN)

1700 TX KKLF Richardson, 0755-0805 10/17, decent w/talk, Fox News. Sports weather. (rce-IN)

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Greetings everyone,

After an up and down week of solar numbers, the morning of 9/23/06 was fantastic here on the coast. I overslept and did not pop out of bed until 1500 UTC. I figured I missed out. I sure was wrong. It was one of those mornings of Sunrise Enhancement that went on and on after sunrise. I got a beautiful ID in Vietnamese on 675 khz, Voice of Vietnam at 1600 UTC, a good 1 1/2 hour after LSR here. Chinese all over the dial, including a new one for me, CBS Taiwan 1008 khz in Amoy. I finally lost the last het on 639 khz at about 1745 UTC. That is 10:45 AM Pacific Daylight Time. It was one amazing morning.

TRANS PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

531 JAPAN, Morioka JOQG, fair with JJ talk at 1506 10/23. (PM-OR)

531 PHILIPPINES, man talking in Tagalog and EE mentioning in an interview "Employers and employees" at 1514 10/24. Three Filipinos listed, DXGH Gen. Santos City (5 KW), DYDW Tacloban City (10 KW), and DZBR Batangas City (5 KW). DXBR has been logged here before back in the 80s. (PM-OR)

540 CHINA, China National Radio here with man in Mandarin CC at 1510 10/23. (PM-OR)

549 VIETNAM, Hanoi, VoV2, here with Vietnamese trid. mx at 1515 10/23, quite good with woman in Vietnamese. Sounded like a CC underneath. (PM-OR)

558 JAPAN, Kobe, JOCR, rather poor with JJ talk by woman at 1511 10/23. (PM-OR)

567 JAPAN/CHINA mix here at 1517 10/23. (PM-OR)

576 CHINA, weak CC talk at 1518 10/23. (PM-OR)

585 JAPAN/CHINA mix here at 1509 10/23. (PM-OR)

594 JAPAN, Tokyo JOAK, fair 1518 10/23 with JJ talk, but not strong at all. (PM-OR)

603 CHINA/KOREA mix here at 1532 10/23. (PM-OR)

612 JAPAN, Fukuoka, JOLK fair with JJ talk at 1540 10/23. (PM-OR)

612 PHILIPPINES, Cebu City DYHP, fairly good, the first thing I heard at 1432 10/24 after getting up, man in Tagalog. (PM-OR)

621 CHINA, CC talk by woman at 1547 10/23, but weak in splash. (PM-OR)

630 CHINA, China National Radio (CNR1), good on top of domestics with man & woman in CC at 1527 10/23. (PM-OR)

639 CHINA, China National Radio (CNR1) //with 630 at 1527 10/23. (PM-OR)

657a DRKOREA, good with KK singing at 1612 10/23, off channel a bit as usual. (PM-OR)

666t CHINA, Wenzhou, presume the CC at 1620 10/23 with woman in CC. Logged this one years ago. (PM-OR)

675 VIETNAM, Hanoi VoV1, unbelievable signal, noted at 1515 to after 1630 UTC with Vietnamese man. Then at 1559.45, woman in Vietnamese IDed mentioning "Viet--Nam" three times, then National anthem music up to 1600, followed by the news. The signal was better than S9 alot of the time. (PM-OR)

693 JAPAN, Tokyo JOAB good with chimes at 1505 10/23, then off. (PM-OR)

702 **CHINA**, CC talk here by man at 1539 10/23. (PM-OR)
 711 **CHINA**, CC talk by man 1540 10/23. (PM-OR)
 720 **UNID**, station briefly on top with man in accented EE, saying "This is your station", then the man or another man with a similar voice started talking in Chinese. I can't find anything that matches, unless it was Australia/New Zealand and a CC there, but I did not hear any DUs this morning. This was a 1622 10/23. (PM-OR)
 729 **CHINA**, Jiangxi, Nanchang, good with woman in CC at 1624 10/23. (PM-OR)
 + Good with ending mx going into pips at 1459.54, opening mx and woman in Mandarin CC 10/24. (PM-OR)
 738 **TAIWAN**, Fishery station here with woman in CC at 1523 10/23. (PM-OR)
 747 **JAPAN/CHINA** mix at 1533 10/23 in passing. (PM-OR)
 756 **CHINA**, China National Radio (CNR1) good with woman & man alternating in Mandarin CC at 1541 10/23. (PM-OR)
 774 **CHINA/JAPAN** mix here at 1456 10/23. But China was the strongest, which is very odd. After 1505 when JOUB signed off, it left China alone. I have an idea it is the Hubei RGD station listed with 200KW, but no ID, but a woman was in mandarin CC, and not a bad signal. (PM-OR)
 783 **CHINA** or **TAIWAN**, weak CC talk at 1527 10/23. (PM-OR)
 792 **CHINA**, CC talk by man at 1610 10/23. (PM-OR)
 801 **UNID**, Open carrier passing a few times from 1500 to 1700. Maybe Guam left their carrier on. (PM-OR)
 810t **CHINA**, Zhejiang, presume the CC talk u/KGO at 1544 10/23. (PM-OR)
 828 **CHINA**, weak CC talk after JOBB s/off after 1505 10/23. (PM-OR)
 855 **CHINA**, China National Radio 2, fair in splatter at 1520 10/23. (PM-OR)
 864 **CHINA/JAPAN**, a mix of several CC & JJ signals here at 1515 10/23. (PM-OR)
 873 **CHINA**, Heilongjiang, presume the CC talk by man at 1551 10/23. (PM-OR)
 891 **THAILAND**, Bangkok, usual beautiful chimes at 1624 10/23. A bit buried under a jumble though. (PM-OR)
 909 **CHINA**, weak CC talk in splatter at 1608 10/23. (PM-OR)
 918 **CHINA**, China National Radio 2, good signals, but terrible echo from several transmitter slightly off in audio, noted several times in passing, noted at 1530 10/23. (PM-OR)
 927 **CHINA**, CC talk by woman at 1536 10/23. (PM-OR)
 936 **CHINA**, Anhui RGD, very good after 1500 with man & woman in alternating EE & CC. Noted the other morning with ID in EE at 1500 as "Radio Anhui" in EE. (PM-OR)
 + Good with man & woman in EE/CC with news at 1502 10/24. (PM-OR)
 945 **CHINA**, China National Radio 1 with man in CC at 1528 10/23/981. (PM-OR)
 + Good with man in Mandarin CC //981 at 1510 10/24. (PM-OR)
 963 **CHINA**, China Radio International, CRI, good with man in Russian at 1511 10/23. (PM-OR)
 981 **CHINA**, China National Radio 1, //to 945 with CC talk by man 1528 10/23. (PM-OR)
 + Good with man in Mandarin CC //945 1510 10/24. (PM-OR)
 1008t **PHILIPPINES**, San Jose, DXXX, commercial station, sounded like ancr mentioned "RPN" (Radio Phil. Network) at 1507 10/24. (PM-OR)
 1008t **TAIWAN**, Voice of Taiwan in Amoy at 1615 10/23. Listed as 600 KW. Tentative report sent. (PM-OR)
 1017 **CHINA**, CNR1 at 1530 10/23. Was expecting KK here as CRI is also here in KK, but back to CNR 1 after 1500. (PM-OR)
 1035 **CHINA**, CNR1 //945 with man in CC at 1517 10/23. (PM-OR)
 1044 **CHINA**, Changzhou, CRI in JJ at 1537 10/23. (PM-OR)
 1062 **CHINA**, CC weak at 1620 10/23. (PM-OR)
 1071 **CHINA**, CC talk weak in splatter at 1622 10/23. (PM-OR)
 1125 **PHILIPPINES**, Davao City DXGM, good for a time with man ancr in Tagalog mentioning Davao City at 1519 10/24. Gave Davao City phone numbers. (PM-OR)
 1134 **JAPAN**, Tokyo JOQR, fair with JJ pops at 1549 10/23. (PM-OR)
 1143 **TAIWAN**, Fishery station //738 at 1523 10/23, but weaker than 738. (PM-OR)
 1161 **CHINA** or **TAIWAN**, CC talk at 1521 10/23 weak. (PM-OR)
 1179 **JAPAN**, Osaka JOOR fair with woman in JJ at 1544 10/23. (PM-OR)
 1206 **CHINA**, Yanji good with man in CC at 1522 10/23. (PM-OR)
 1215 **CHINA**, China National Radio 2 in CC at 1544 10/23. (PM-OR)
 1278 **CHINA**, Hebei with man in CC at 1632 10/23. (PM-OR)
 1287 **JAPAN**, Sapporo JOHR fair with man in JJ at 1634 10/23. (PM-OR)

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I agree with almost everything in the IRCA Countries List, compiled by Bruce Portzer, in DXM 10/6. However, I do think all countries should be listed under their political title when it differs significantly from the colloquial, or, every more so, the geographical title. Minor examples are Korea, North and Korea, South -- I use those myself; so do many, perhaps most, DXers. But do DXers say, or use, "Chagos Islands"? No, the British dependent territory issues stamps inscribed "British Indian Ocean Territory" and all mail should be so addressed. This topic has been discussed in the American Philatelist (articles by Steve Pendleton). "Chagos Islands" belongs to the same category as "Society Islands" -- a cross-reference, at most, but don't try addressing letters there! Malawi was never "Nyassaland". The only English spelling was Nyasaland. Nyassa was a province of Mozambique which issued stamps around 1900. On Page 14, the accent on Peru (accent over u) has slipped onto Peru (accent over e). But in English it isn't necessary, or even correct. Same with "Panama" (accent over last a). Just write, Peru, Panama. It may be confusing, but the only official name of the country listed as "Samoa, Western" is one word: Samoa. Should be listed as Samoa (formerly Western Samoa). Once again, check the country's postage stamps. Under South Africa, "the homeland republics" could be clarified by adding (former Bantustans). Correct spelling of the Dutch dependency is St. Eustatius (in Dutch, and in English, which is spoken there; the natives' affectionate nickname for it is Statia, again with a t). Under Taiwan, the current spelling of Quemoy is Kinmen, though Quemoy is historically acceptable. Finally, I believe loggings of the DPRK (N. Korea) "from before the Korean War in the 1950s" should be counted as DPRK, which was established in 1945. Also, among inactive and deleted countries, why is Wallis and Futuna, which I heard on 1189, omitted? (From rce, I need to add that I can't send my column using the accent marks and underlining because it is stripped out of the column when I convert it to a text format so that it can be read by Phil. Thus, my insertions of the comments showing where the accent marks belong without actually showing it--rce)

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I have been a member of IRCA for several years and would like to contribute a recent radio experience. Since October 2003, KNX-1070 AM has gone from a top rated news radio outlet into the lowest Arbitron Ratings book. When attending the IRCA convention in Anaheim, CA, many members agreed on the route KNOX-1070 has gone. However, on October 11, 2006, KNX-1070 aired live WCBS-880 AM (new York City) on the plane crash of Yankee's Cory Lidle. What sadness it was to learn pitcher Lidle was from the Los Angeles area. In turn, WCBS-880's reporters showed professionalism in covering the tragedy; what amazed me was how New York City's traffic reports, scaling in and out of the city. If KNX would stop dragging interviews, cut out the Food News and Computer News on the weekends and follow WCBS's route, their Arbitron Ratings would go up. I welcome any comments about WCBS and KNX. (Rene', welcome to DXF. It's the first report I can remember from Nevada--rce)

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I had meant to mention last week that I had heard, while listening to the radio on Friday the 13th, that Air America had filed for bankruptcy relief, but forgot it while trying to get the column off Monday morning. One reason, as well, was that I wasn't totally convinced how accurate the report was. Oh well. When finishing up my comments last week, I mentioned having a couple of extra signals on 1140 I was wondering about. They turned out to be WAWK-1140 Kendallville, IN and KPWB-1140 Piedmont, MO. So, I upped my total heard on 1140 from five to seven within ten minutes. On Tuesday morning, I did some rare listening at sunrise on the X-band. Result was KRJO-1680 LA and KKLK-1700 TX, followed by WMIK-560 KY for the first time since I was in Gary some three decades ago. WAYY-790 WI on Thursday night for an old regular while I was up in Rapids. Now at 713 heard. 73.



2006-2007 IRCA Lucky 7 DX CONTEST

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Standings as of October 15, 2006

1. Michael Hawkins	689	8. Phil Bytheway	114
2. Art Blair	370	9. Richard Wood	59
Willis Monk	370	10. Martin Foltz	13
4. Bill Nittler	209	11. Nigel Pimblett	12
5. Tim Noonan	201	12. John Johnson	7
6. John Tudenham	164	Nancy Johnson*	7
7. Darrell Neft	150	14. Dale Park	5

* Contest manager is not eligible to win.

You can join the contest any time, so if you haven't joined already there is still time. The rules can be found online at the IRCA website, and also in the August 5, 2005 issue of DXM. Send me a note if you have any questions. The contest runs until May 31, 2007.

2006 IRCA Convention (Seaside OR) Report

The Seaside IRCA convention was one of most successful ones in years with a whopping 36 in attendance. It was amazing how many came from East of the Mississippi. It was one fun filled 3 days with beautiful sunny weather, hardly a cloud anywhere and it the 70s-80s. The weather was perfect.

We had tours of all of the radio stations in Clatsop County, starting from KSWB Friday morning which was a one block walk from the Comfort Inn in downtown Seaside. The station is upstairs and we were greeted at the top of the stairs and had our tour. They have small studios on the second floor. We also had a very nice visit with John Chapman, the owner. We were given little packets of Coast 94.9 Seaside Coffee and coupons for McDonalds.

I started typing up the narrative on the convention and I received a wonderful narrative from John Bryant who did a fantastic job of the Saturday afternoon presentations. So I will let John take it from here and I will add the Sunday activities at the end.

Notes on A Great Convention: IRCAs 2006 Convention in Seaside, Oregon, September 22 and 23, 2006

"The Convention opened on Friday morning in the beautiful, small coastal town of Seaside, Oregon. Seaside first rose to prominence in the Roaring Twenties as a Summer Retreat for the well-to-do of Portland, then about a half-day drive inland from Seaside. The grand neo-classic hotel that was the center of frivolity and elegance in the 20s has passed into history, with its site now occupied by a typical econo-box modern franchise hotel. Thankfully though, many of the other ornate commercial buildings that formed the compact heart of pre-War Seaside remain today and have been beautifully refurbished. So, a special elegance mixed with the near carney atmosphere of most beach tourist towns to form a backdrop for our 2006 Convention.

"The IRCA Board and Convention Host Patrick Martin are to be commended for their courage in holding the Convention at so remote a location: well over a 2 hour drive from Portland airport and double that from Seattle. The remote location plus moving the Convention beyond the traditional family vacation time period could have created an attendance disaster. Instead, the overall attendance was more than twice as large as any other recent Convention. BRAVO for everyone involved!!!

"After Friday morning check-in at the Comfort Inn, the first formal event was a very interesting tour of Seaside's own KSWB, a mere two blocks from our hotel. Friday afternoon featured a series of tours to Patrick Martin's home and DX Heaven. Patrick was kind enough to run three separate tours so that the crowd could be more easily accommodated. Frankly, Patrick's R-8 looks about like every other R-8 and his super-sized EWE also looks pretty much like every other tree-mounted EWE, albeit larger in size. In addition to Patrick's massive QSL collection, what really had everyone buzzing was Patrick's parabolic satellite antenna array and his ability to listen to all sorts of exotic foreign TV networks. The entire convention turned pale shades of green with jealousy.

"Those people not on a particular tour Friday afternoon congregated in Convention headquarters, meeting old friends and making new ones. There were contingents from the East Coast and Mid-West as well as from prairie Canada, so those of us from the West got a chance to meet a number of DXers face-to-face for the first time, after having seen their names, loggings and QSLs for years. DX techniques were discussed, tips shared and most of the old lies were trotted out one more time. Chris Black and John Bryant competed for the honor of telling the oldest joke and a great time was had by all.

"After dinner a various Seaside bistros, President Nick Hall-Patch convened the 2006 Annual Meeting promptly at 8:00 PM, as scheduled. Nick showed a real knack for leading a business meeting and moving us through a goodly amount of business in record time: 55 minutes flat. Bravo and Thank You, Nick!

"Some of the hardcore spent half of Friday night in the convention room, discussing DX and other appropriate subjects. A larger contingent slunk off to bed early, planning serious DXing from the motel balconies at dawn's early light.

"Saturday

"According to Nick Hall-Patch, the DX conditions on Saturday morning were not up to the exciting level of Fridays catches, but still, several folks enjoyed a plethora of hets and audios from several TP countries. With band fade, the Dawn DXers joined the slightly-saner majority of the group in the Breakfast Room for a sumptuous spread which included do-it-yourself waffles by the dozen. By 10:30, all were gathered for the twenty mile trek to the long-time bayside location of KAST, News & Talk 1370 in nearby Astoria, Oregon. The twin towers of KAST literally sit in the salty bay, about 50 feet off shore from the combined transmitter and studio building. Like many other middle sized towns, all radio stations in Astoria (two MW and five FM stations) are now owned by a single corporation, New Northwest Broadcasters. The Operations Manager of all seven stations gave us a superb tour of the facility. There were about seven on-air employees and around an equal number of Sales, Administrative and clerical staff. What a change from the Old Days when one station could have supported a staff of almost that size. Now it takes seven stations, most with some local programming, to support the staff. While we were at the station, we saw "The Future." In one room, seven black, normal-sized desktop computers with monitors were humming away. They were the seven new station servers for NNWB, Inc. Each dedicated to a single station, they will contain much of the programming, commercials, etc., to be fed to the transmitters on a pre-programmed basis, untouched by human hands. Although we should have thought how marvelous that technology could automate so much of the routine work so that the relatively small income from the stations could, in fact, support local staffs at all. Still, it was somehow appropriate to us old guys that the station/computers were all black.

"After a thought-provoking tour, we all scattered for lunch and headed toward Seaside. About a third of the group stopped for the tour of Patrick's QTH while the remainder had a few hours to enjoy Seaside. At three o'clock, John Bryant introduced the afternoon Presentation Session in the convention room to a packed house. Five presentations consumed the remainder of the afternoon. Nigel Pimblett of Alberta led off with a an overview of International MW DXing from the Inland North, discussing the techniques, equipment and accomplishments of the Alberta gang over the last 20 years or so. One of the most interesting aspects of his presentation was the listing of countries heard, collectively. The Albertans, just across the Rockies from coastal British Columbia have heard 21 European Countries, but only three Asians (Japan, South Korea and Thailand.) They've also snared twenty in the Americas, including Argentina, 8 in Oceania and 3 in Africa, for a grand total of 55 countries... a compliment to all concerned! Steve Ratzlaff followed Nigel with a very interesting presentation on DXing Non-Directional Beacons, largely on the portion of MW that lays below the broadcast band. Steve provided us with an excellent primer in the form of a two-page handout with many tips and several helpful URLs. There is a decent chance that a few of us will add NDBs to our target list and most of the West Coast International gang are beginning to use NDBs across the Pacific as propagation indicators.

"John Bryant and Guy Atkins followed with an extended presentation on Computer-Controlled Receivers and Software-Defined Radios. Guy covered the first phase, the many advantages of controlling a "normal" solid state receiver with a good program. He used the highly regarded ERGO4 as an example of the assistance a computer can be to any of us. John Bryant followed with a thorough discussion of the WinRADIO 313E that he has used as his primary receiver for about a year. John, long in love with the SP-600 and other "real receivers," is so impressed with the capabilities of the WinRADIO 313 that he is selling his hotrodded NRD-535 and his top-of-the-line TenTec 340. After John's presentation, Guy took us through the very similar capabilities of the SDR-1000 by FlexRadio. Guy, too, has abandoned normal receivers in favor of computer-driven black boxes and finds that their capabilities are such that he "can't imagine being limited to Old Fashioned radios in the future." Nick Hall-Patch closed out the afternoon session with a live demonstration of using Spectran software and his R-8A to detect the myriad of carriers that actually exist on a single channel, even during the day, and then measure the EXACT frequency (to the cycle, at least) of each one. We were all impressed to learn that doing such took only about 30 seconds of receiver time in one's normal DXing use of the radio. Further, the Spectran software is free. Nick recommended Spectran over some similar programs due to its simplicity of use.

"After a non-stop two and a half hour session, we were all ready to relax, so we headed for the Saturday evening banquet at the nearby Pig'n'Pancake restaurant. Some of us later admitted that we thought Convention Host Patrick Martin had lost his mind when he scheduled even an informal banquet at some place called "The Pig'n'Pancake." We should have known better. The food was superb and the service was even better! If you are ever in Seaside, Oregon at mealtime, the Pig'n'Pancake is right down in the center of Old Town on Broadway. Don't miss it!

"After the banquet, it was back to the main convention room for the annual Auction, ably led by the Head Auctioneer, Phil Bytheway. Phil and especially Patrick had worked long and hard to recruit auction items from various radio stations in the region. There were scads of stickers, surely over a hundred station shirts and other nice memorabilia. The high point of the auction was one of several receivers contributed, an RF-2800 Panasonic Command Series receiver from the 1980s. Happily, it was coveted by several DXers and the bidding was spirited. Quite a bit of money was raised for the club, by the way (\$410.50).

"Following the auction, the Convention was suitably closed by an hour long presentation by Scott Fybush titled "Tower Sites I Have Known and Photographed." Scott had made the same presentation to the NAB Convention last year. He spoke to a packed house. Frankly, a number of people were there to find out what could possibly be interesting about radio towers and what could cause an otherwise normal person to visit and photograph several thousand towers on several continents. It wasn't far into Scott's very professional presentation before he had the rapt attention of *everyone*. Scott showed us the oldest tower in continuous use (Mid-20s), the only remaining multi-wire flat-top transmission antenna (located in the Korean area of Los Angeles.) From there, he took us through a myriad of both historic and unusual towers and transmitting buildings in what was a very fitting climax to a superb radio convention.

"Sunday

"The breakfast room was the site for quick goodbyes on Sunday morning for most of us. Many needed to drive two or more hours to an airport, while others faced long drives and late arrivals at home. As we headed out of Seaside, we all left with more friends, both new and renewed and with a greater understanding of the fascinating avocation of MW DXing. In radio clubs, a few conventions are remembered for many years to come. Seaside 2006 was definitely one of those."

On Sunday morning, most attendees checked out and went on their way home or on trips down the Oregon Coast. I few stayed around. We took off after checking out of the Comfort Inn, and Neil Kazaross, Theo Donnally, Frank Merrill, Bill Block, and I all took off for Cannon Beach and drove along the beautiful coast. We stopped and several took pictures of the waves along the beach. We then drove up to Ecola State Park, North of Cannon Beach and sat at a picnic table talking and tuned across the dial on my Super Radio 1. DX is interesting up there hearing most of the Oregon coast stations. We headed back to the Comfort Inn and Neil and Theo left. Then Frank, Bill, and I went North to Fort Stevens State Park and walked along checking out Battery Russel and the remains from the days of WWII, where the area was shelled by the Japanese. After that we drove out to the Jetty and watched a beautiful sunset. It was the end of a fantastic weekend and convention.

I want to thank everyone for making the 2006 IRCA convention one of the best ever.

This year's convention attendees were the following:

John Adams- Seaside, OR	Curtis McMenamin- Vacaville, CA
Guy Atkins- Puyallup, WA	Frank Merrill- Macomb, IL
D.C. Barnes- Golden, CO	Nigel Pimblett- Dunmore, AB
Chris Black- So Yarmouth, MA	Doug Pifer- Albany, OR
Bill Block- Prescott Valley, AZ	Bruce Portzer- Seattle, WA
John Bryant- Eastsound, WA	Steve Ratzlaff- Elgin, OR
Phil Bytheway- Seattle, WA	Dan Riordan- Sherwood, OR
Theo Donnally- Vancouver, BC	Mike Sanburn- Bellflower, CA
Scott Fybush- Rochester, NY	Tom Schmidt & wife- Kelowna, BC
Dave & Shelly Gordon- San Jose, CA	Dennis Vroom- Vancouver, WA
Nick and Susan Hall-Patch- Victoria, BC	Mike Ward- Akron, OH
John & Nancy Johnson- Billings, MT	Robert Wien- Fontana, CA
Neil Kazaross- Barrington, IL	Andy West, Wife, & child- Olympia, WA
Paul Lotsof- Tucson, AZ	Dave Williams- Astoria, OR
Patrick Martin- Seaside, OR	G. Wollner- Framington, MA



KSWB-840 tour host greets the group



IRCA'ns listen intently as Pat explains his Beverage antenna setup to them



KAST-1370 personnel explains studio and xmtr facts to the tour group



Sample of attendees at the IRCA Convention Banquet at Pig 'n Pancake in Seaside, OR, 9/23/06



Phil and Mike auction off a WBOS-92.9 FM and KZOK-1590 AM T-shirt



Front Row, L-R: J. Adams, J. Johnson, N. Johnson, P. Martin, D. Gordon, B. Portzer, S. Fybusch, G. Atkins, N. Kazaross
 Back Row, L-R: T. Donnally, M. Ward, N.&S. Hall-Patch, D. Williams, G. Wollner, N. Pimblett, C. McMenamin, D. Pifer, J. Bryant, F. Merrill, B. Block, -?
 Not pictured but in attendance: D.C. Barnes, C. Black, P. Bytheway, S. Gordon, P. Lotsof, M. Sanburn, T. Schmidt, D. Vroom, A. West, R. Wien.
 States and Provinces: AZ, CA, CO, IL, MA, MT, NY, OH, OR, WA, AB, BC



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