

DX News

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Station Test Calendar

WNAR	PA	1620	daily	0300-0304
KAVT	CA	1680	Jan.	210300-0800 ELT

KAVT-1680 Fresno, CA ... will be a DX test January 21 from 3 am-8 am ELT via their day pattern, 10KW ND. Programming will be the normal Radio Disney Format ONLY; No codes, tones, etc. are permitted due to the station's contract with Disney. Listeners are cautioned that WDSS, Ada MI also runs the Radio Disney Format. So ID's, local spots, etc will be needed for a QSL. A cassette or CD included with a report will be much appreciated, as it will be easier to tell for sure they heard KAVT, rather than WDSS. The use of Phasers or directional antennas such as loops will likely be needed by DX'ers in the Eastern US to null WDSS. Hopefully the long duration of the test (5 hours) will make up for the lack of Morse Code, etc. Reception reports should be sent to: Patrick Martin - PO Box 843 - Seaside OR 97138-0843. A cassette recording or CD is preferred to a written report. Return postage appreciated. E-Mail via: mwdxer@webtv.net. (Arranged by Les Rayburn for NRC and IRCA.)

From the Publisher ... Welcome back after our annual "skip week", and I hope you received #12 in a more-or-less timely manner. A phone call and a few e-mails revealed that the USPS had trouble moving the mail the week before Christmas, and

at least one #12 DXN was badly mangled, enough to require replacement. As always, replacement copies of DXN are free.

Thanks also to those of you who sent me a Christmas card or e-mailed me with appropriate holiday greetings ("Merry Christmas" is always appropriate here, as are "Happy Hannukah" and "Happy Kwanzaa" and anything else you choose to celebrate at the end of the year. I choose not to be offended by sincere wishes and greetings, unlike most employers, including mine.)

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the December 31, 1955 DXN: Bernie Duffy, Staten Island, NY cited a report that there were approximately 3800 U. S. BCB stations on the air, about 125 under construction, and about 200 applications for new stations pending with the FCC.

25 years ago ... from the January 5, 1980 DXN: Gerry Thomas and Armand DiFilippo previewed the Sony ICF-S5W, noting that Sony was interested in feedback from DX'ers on the receiver (and your publisher was one of a group of DX'ers who received S5W's for the purpose of evaluating its performance).

10 years ago ... from the December 25, 1980 DXN: Shawn Axelrod, Wayne McRae, and Lorne Chestnut, DX'ing from Valhalla Beach, MB in early December, reported such catches as RFO Tahiti-738, JOAB-693 Tokyo, and various Russian longwave stations.

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

CALL LETTER CHANGES

<u>Old Call</u>				<u>New Call</u>
940	WSPZ	MI	South Haven	WHIT
950	KYNG	TX	Denison-Sherman	KZRA
1340	KCKN	KS	Kansas City	KDTD
1400	KLBB	MN	St. Paul	KMNV
1420	KHLP	NE	Omaha	KOTK
1440	WMKM	MI	Inkster	WMKM [was WRJD for 8 days]
1470	KLBP	MN	Brooklyn Park	KLBB
1490	WNDA	FL	Deland	WTJV
1590	KZRA	AR	Springdale	KYNG



CPs ON THE AIR

1030	WONQ	FL	Oviedo - CP for U4 45000/1700 is on the air.
1100	KFAX	CA	San Francisco - CP changing from U4 to U3 is on the air. KFAX remains 50000 Watts day and night.
1150	KJBC	TX	Midland - CP to add night service is on the air with U1 1000/148. The CP also covered the change from commercial to non-commercial status.
1160	WOYE	FL	St. Cloud - Program Test Authority (PTA) granted for U4 2500/500.
1190	WAFS	GA	Atlanta - CP for D1 25000/0 CH 2300 is on the air. Several other applications they have made have been deleted.
1600	WARU	IN	Peru - CP for U1 1000/37 is on the air.

LICENSE TO OPERATE GRANTED

1070	KVKK	MN	Verndale - License granted for U2 10000/5000. [day power correction from last issue]
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GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

1220	NEW	MI	Escanaba - CP granted for U4 2500/700 from two towers at N45-42-08 W87-12-10.
1430	NEW	AK	Wasilla - CP granted for U1 1000/1000 at N61-37-09 W149-17-17.
1490	NEW	MI	Houghton - CP granted for U1 1000/1000 at N46-06-05 W88-35-26.
1490	NEW	MT	Malmstrom AFB - CP granted for U1 1000/580 at N47-28-38 W111-14-45.
1540	NEW	AK	Anchorage - CP granted for U1 50000/10000 CH 50000 at N61-18-10 W149-56-59.

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

580	WLES	VA	Bon Air - CP granted to change the CoL here from Lawrenceville, Virginia and change facilities to U1 201/27.
840	WMBE	WI	Chilton - CP granted to move here from 1530 kHz and increase their power to become D3 4500/0.
870	WGHC	NC	Mount Holly - CP granted to move here from 1370, the CoL here from Clayton, Georgia, and change facilities to D1 3000/0.
960	KALE	WA	Richland - Coordinate correction to N46-14-34 W119-10-41.
1190	KPHN	MO	Kansas City - CP granted to increase their nighttime power while deleting their CH authorization. When operational, KPHN will become U2 5000/500.
1250	KNWH	CA	Yucca Valley - CP granted to change the CoL here from Twentynine Palms, California and change facilities to be U1 800/77 from a new tower at N34-07-51 W116-22-08.
1260	KIMB	NE	Ogallala - CP granted to increase day power and decrease night power levels and change their CoL from Kimball, Nebraska. When operational, KIMB will become U1 50000/110.

1280	WWPG	AL	Eutaw - CP granted to change the CoL here from Tuscaloosa and change facilities to be U1 7000/25.
1390	WLCM	MI	Holt - CP granted to change their CoL from Charlotte and add two towers to their standing two-tower array in order to increase their nighttime power. When operational, WLCM will become U4 5000/4500. It is stipulated in their authorization that . . . "program tests may NOT commence with the facilities specified herein, or with any modified facility authorized to serve Holt, Michigan until program tests commence for WJXQ(FM) in Charlotte, Michigan". There is pending action before the FCC to move WQTX(FM) from Charlotte to Grand Ledge, Michigan and WJXQ(FM) from Jackson, Michigan to Charlotte. So, it appears that the WLCM action hinges on the FCC ruling to not leave Charlotte without radio service.
1530	KZNX	TX	Creedmoor - CP granted to increase nighttime power to become U7 10000/220 CH 1000.
1580	WNTF	FL	Bithlo - CP granted to increase power level to become D3 10000/0.
1590	WIXK	WI	New Richmond - CP Granted to add night service as U1 5000/95.
1600	WRSL	KY	Corbin - CP granted to move from 1520 kHz, change CoL from Stanford, raise the daytime power and add night service from a new transmitter location. When operational, WRSL will be U1 2000/27.
1680	WTTM	NJ	Lindenwold - CP granted to change the CoL from Princeton. WTTM remains U1 10000/1000.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

720	KFIR	OR	Sweet Home - Applies to increase daytime power to become U1 10000/184.
950	WPEN	PA	Philadelphia - Applies to increase their daytime power to become U4 25000/21000.
1230	WSBB	FL	New Smyrna Beach - Applies to move to a new, shorter tower at N29-02-03 W80-55-02 while remaining U1 1000/1000.
1270	WAIN	KY	Columbia - Coordinate correction to N37-06-26 W85-16-42.
1580	WSRF	FL	Fort Lauderdale - Applies to decrease their nighttime power as U4 10000/1500.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS SUBMITTED

660	KGDP	CA	Orcutt - Licensed for U4 10000/1000 and operating under a Special Temporary Authority with U1 2500/250, KGDP has a CP for U4 2500/2500 with a change in City-of-License (CoL) to Oildale. This amendment requests U4 5000/5000 at Oildale.
720	WVOA	NY	DeWitt - New station, not yet on the air, holds a CP for U2 2500/390 and has applied for U4 10000/390. The CH designation formerly applied for has been deleted from the FCC database.
770	WEW	MO	St. Louis - Licensed for D1 1000/0, WEW holds a CP for U4 10000/205. This amendment requests U4 10000/200 from a new transmitter site.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

630	WNEG	GA	Toccoa - Licensed for U1 500/44, WNEG applies to increase their daytime power to become U5 5000/44. They also have an application to increase the nighttime power. If both applications are approved, WNEG would be U4 5000/220.
830	NEW	FL	Hilliard - Their initial Auction 84 application was for U4 10000/2500. This amendment requests U4 50000/4000.
1040	WOKT	KY	Cannonsburg - Licensed for D4 2500/0 CH 1000, WOKT has applied to move to 1080 kHz with D1 1800/0. This amendment requests
1270	WQKR	TN	Portland - Licensed for D3 1000/0, WQKR applied for U4 500/59. This amendment requests U4 500/29.
1300	KAZN	CA	Pasadena - Licensed for U4 5000/1000, KAZN applied for U4 23000/1450. This amendment requests U4 23000/1000.
1340	NEW	MT	Kalispell - Initial Auction 84 application was for U1 250/250. This amendment requests U1 1000/670.
1350	NEW	WA	Raymond - Initial Auction 84 application was for U2 1000/300. This amendment requests U4 5000/500.
1440	NEW	MP	Garapah-Saipan - Initial Auction 84 application was for U1 250/250. This

- amendment requests U1 3000/500.
- 1450 NEW FL **Lake City** - Initial Auction 84 application was for U1 250/250. This amendment requests U1 1000/1000.
- 1490 NEW MI **Houghton** - Initial Auction 84 application was for U1 250/250. This amendment requests U1 3000/500.
- 1520 NEW WI **Howard** - Initial Auction 84 application was for U4 350/1750. This amendment requests U4 250/3000.
- 1590 NEW AL **Opp** - Their initial Auction 84 application was for U4 500/240. This amendment requests U4 500/190.

LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION REINSTATED

1490 WANA

AL **Anniston**

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES DISMISSED

- 640 WWJZ NJ **Mount Holly** - Their CP for U4 39000/950 with a change in CoL to Horsham Township, Pennsylvania has been dismissed. They still, however, have a pending application for U4 50000/25000 from Horsham Township.
- 1300 KVET TX **Austin** - Their CP for U4 5000/900 has been dismissed. KVET remains U4 5000/1000.

PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION FOR APPLICATIONS

- 750 WNDZ IN **Portage** - Applied to move to Calumet City, Illinois, which was denied by the FCC. They have re-applied for the change.
- 850 WCPT IL **Crystal Lake** - Applied to change the CoL to Addison, Illinois and was turned down by the FCC. They have re-applied for the change.

LICENSE CANCELLATIONS/CALL LETTERS DELETED

1480 KABN

CA **Concord**

APPLICATIONS FOR EXPERIMENTAL PERMIT DISMISSED

- 730 KK2XDA TX **Forest Hill** - This is a 'booster' facility for KKDA-730 **Grand Prairie, Texas** operating with 9 Watts from a tower in southeast Fort Worth. According to the license, "Experimental synchronous facilities are granted for one year operation only. If licensee wishes to continue experimental operations beyond the one year period, an application for renewal of license must be filed. The renewal application must contain a report providing details and progress of the experimental operation. Based upon the information contained in the report, the Commission will determine if the renewal of the experimental license should be granted", and later goes on to say, "Once program test authorization has been granted, licensee shall submit detailed reports every six (6) months describing all technical aspects of the operation as well as the results of measurement data including both quantitative and qualitative descriptions of the received signal quality in the areas of coverage and mutual interference of the primary (KKDA) and synchronous (KK2XDA) facility." As in many FCC actions, it isn't apparent why this action is being taken. But possibly some of the above-stated requirements haven't been met.

APPLICATIONS DISMISSED

- 1080 WOKU WV **Hurricane** - Application to move to 1110 kHz with D1 1000 has been dismissed.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

- 700 NEW AB **Calgary** - Applies for U4 50000/20000. The applicant proposes to offer an English-language Gospel music service. We assume this facility is proposed to take the place of the former CKRD Red Deer.
- 1450 NEW PA **Milford** - Applies for U1 1000/1000.

Are you expiring?

We hope not! To avoid expiration, mail your remittance to P. O. Box 5711 - Topeka, KS 66605-0711 early. Allow at least three weeks after mailing your check or money order for new renewal data to appear on your mailing label.

LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

660	KGDP	CA	Orcutt	1110	KEOR	OK	Atoka	1290	KKDD	CA	San Bernardino
670	KBOI	ID	Boise	1190	KXLX	CA	Anaheim	1340	KCQL	NM	Aztec
680	KNBR	CA	San Francisco	1130	WYXE	TN	Gallatin	1380	KLPZ	AZ	Parker
740	KATK	NM	Carlsbad	1170	KCBQ	CA	San Diego	1390	KCLN	IA	Clinton
790	KABC	CA	Los Angeles	1210	KPRZ	CA	San Marcos	1430	KVVN	CA	Santa Clara
790	KBRV	ID	Soda Springs	1230	KGEO	CA	Bakersfield	1480	KYOS	CA	Merced
870	KRLA	CA	Glendale	1230	KOTS	NM	Deming	1510	KIRV	CA	Fresno
910	WNDC	LA	Baton Rouge	1240	KSMA	CA	Santa Maria	1520	KMPG	CA	Hollister
960	KIXW	CA	Apple Valley								

HEAR AND THAR

☐ Reported to have returned to the airwaves: **KBRV-790 Soda Springs, Idaho** with a C&W format, and **WHGT-1590 Chambersburg, Pennsylvania** with Contemporary Christian. But reported OFF the air: **WLOP-1370 Jesup, Georgia** and **WLUA-1390 Belton, South Carolina**.

☐ **Jerry Starr** reports: "I haven't been able to determine exactly how WHGT-1590 returned to the air, their towers/studios/etc have been bulldozed. I was able to determine that they have a recently issued STA which, of course, can't be read online. They have evidently sold the license to some church group from VA and have a LMA with them until the sale is approved. I would guess, but don't know for sure, that they might be diplexed into the new tower at WCBG-1380 which is the station they moved the WCBG call and programming to after 1590 went off the air. This is only a guess, they may have some sort of temporary facility on 1590 like a skirted tower or somesuch but I know the old 1590 facility is totally leveled . . ."

☐ **FCC Grants Experimental Licenses** - If you live in Southern California near the El Centro Naval Air Facility, look for WD2XUM, an experimental station licensed to operate on 530, 890 and 1680 kHz under a Space and Naval Warfare Systems Center contract "to modernize and transform psychological operation equipment." The license was issued to the consulting engineering firm Hatfield and Dawson and noted by TV Tech columnist Doug Lung. (**Radio World Online**)

☐ Thanks to **Shawn Axelrod, Perry Crabill, and Wayne Heinen**. See you next week!

NRC Contest

An annual DX contest which encourages DX'ing and offers prizes

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NRC 73 DX Contest: Going the Distance: It's all about distance

CQ, CQ, calling all DXers! The January 20 deadline for the most distant signal is almost here. A 2006 *World Radio TV Handbook* awaits the DXer reporting the single most distant signal received since September 2005. Among the early entries, Dale Park has taken the lead by more than a wavelength. (As NRC "employees" Wayne Heinen and I have declared ourselves ineligible for prizes.) Regular mail entries must be postmarked by January 20, e-mail entries received by January 20 2359 UTC. Even if you might be out of contention for the WRTH, please feel free to share your most distant catch with us. Here are the standings as of December 20.

North American Supremacy - Total Accumulated Air Miles

Wayne Heinen, Aurora CO (39°39'N 104°46'W)	110057 miles
Russell Curry, Springfield OR (44°04'N 122°55'W)	41256 miles
Dale Park, Honolulu HI (21°18'N 157°44'W)	20407 miles
Nancy Johnson, Billings MT (45°46'N 108°37'W)	18174 miles

Pan American Supremacy - Total Accumulated Air Miles

Wayne Heinen, Aurora CO (39°39'N 104°46'W)	26089 miles
Nancy Johnson, Billings MT (45°46'N 108°37'W)	1001 miles

Longest Distance Records

Bruce Conti, Nashua NH (42°43'N 71°31'W)	1431 R.Sawa, Djibouti	6854 miles
Dale Park, Honolulu HI (21°18'N 157°44'W)	1510 KGA Spokane WA	2877 miles
Wayne Heinen, Aurora CO (39°39'N 104°46'W)	530 RVC, Turks & Caicos	2323 miles
Nancy Johnson, Billings MT (45°46'N 108°37'W)	840 WHAS Louisville KY	1295 miles
Russell Curry, Springfield OR (44°04'N 122°55'W)	850 KOA Denver CO	987 miles

73 and Good Luck!

Domestic DX Digest

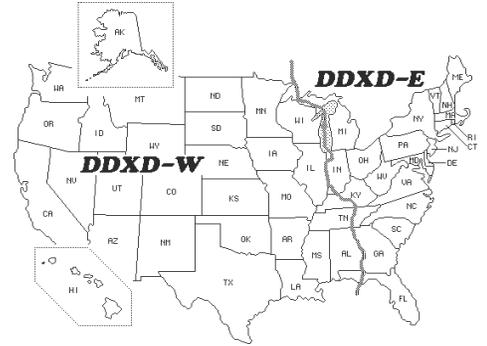
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DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-hr. ELT

DDXD-West

FROM THE VAST WESTLAND

- From the "It Really Gets Cold in the **Vast Westland**" department: **Morris Sorensen** from Winnipeg reports that on 12/19 he DXed using a "DX-392 barefoot at -29.5 degrees C!" Brrr— both for the temperature and on the feet! Luckily for Morris, the DX was hot (three new ones this issue, plus some dandy relogs—congrats, Morris!), keeping the frostbite away. Also, of course, these were **Yule** logs, adding to the warmth. (For those unfamiliar, the term "barefoot" refers to using the receiver's internal antenna only, sans external antenna. Where the term came from I do not know— can anyone enlighten us?)
- Here is some news about a special QSL opportunity that is coming up very shortly. CHWO Toronto will once again this year issue a special QSL commemorating its move to 740 kHz, which occurred on 1/8/2001. To receive this year's QSL, listen on 1/8/06 between 0000 and 2359 UTC (that's 1/7 1900 ELT to 1/8 1859 ELT) for a minimum of 10 minutes. Your report must include date and time, concise program details, signal strength, receiving equipment and a snail mail address to send the QSL card to. You may e-mail your report to << am740@rogers.com >> or send it to Ontario DX Association, attention Brian Smith QSL Manager, 155 Main St. N. Apt. 313, Newmarket ON Canada L3Y 8C2. Our good friends at the Ontario DX Association are the driving forces behind this effort, and I am sure they would love to see many reports from the **Vast Westland**. If you do participate, please do not forget to send along a logging to DDXD-West.
- A big "Thank You" to **Doug Beard**, **Gary Houdek** and **Steve Sprague** for checking in this issue with their first contributions to Volume 73. So far this season, 26 **Vast Westlanders** have sent in their loggings and/or station news to your Faithful Editor. We can always use more. Won't you please make it one of your New Years resolutions to let us know what you are hearing?
- As we start 2006, I would like to pass along my annual greeting to DXers everywhere: "May the upcoming year be filled with close friends and distant stations." 73 Bill

Reporters

DB-IA	Doug Beard, Springfield. Wife's 1969 Motorola portable.
FA-ID	Frank Aden, Boise. FRG-7 with 4-foot Box loop (modified with Collins filter); R8 with 110' N/S long wire.
GH-IL	Greg Harris, Park Forest. FRG100B/Quantum Loop V2; Grundig S350/internal ferrite rod; GE SR111/internal ferrite rod.
GH-KS	Gary Houdek, Munden. GE Superadio.
JJR-WI	John Rieger, South Milwaukee. Icom IC-R75, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner-preamp, GE Superadio III, Terk AM 1000 loop.
JW-CO	John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge. Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
MS-MB	Morris Sorensen, Winnipeg. Drake R8 with Quantum QX-1 Pro loop, DX-392 "barefoot," or Grundig S350 "barefoot."
RT-MN	Rick Turner, Bemidji. YB400PE, Select-A-Tenna 541.
SS-KS	Steve Sprague, Coffeyville. DX-396, Select-a-Tenna.
Ed.-WI	Your editor, Madison. Drake R8B, Quantum QX Pro loop.

Station News

600	WMT	IA	Cedar Rapids. Has been back on licensed power/pattern, U2 5kw, since late October, per engineer Jim Beard (no relation). Still doing some tweaking due in part to a new metal fence surrounding the towers. They had been using an STA for approximately 2kw days and 500w nights U1 for about a year while two of their three towers and ground fields were replaced. (DB-IA)
910	KINA	KS	Salina. Now carries talk programs and Fox sports, with Fox news at the top of the hour. Station used to carry Spanish programs. (GH-KS)

1220 WMGT MN **Stillwater.** Read an item in the 12/9 Minneapolis Star Tribune that this station has changed formats to Jones Music of your Life nostalgia. **(RT-MN)**

DX Tests

560 WFIL- PA **Philadelphia. 12/11 0000-0100.** Nothing heard that sounded like a test under CBW. **(FA-ID)**

560 WFIL- PA **Philadelphia. 12/11 0000-0100.** Monitored 560 here throughout the test period, as there was no chance of hearing WNTP-990 in the home of powerhouse CBW. No luck with WFIL. WIND was dominant with WEBC also doing well, and possibly KMON and KLZ as well. Listened on Drake R8 with Quantum QX-1 Pro loop and also made a backup tape on the DX-392 "barefoot". Thought I may have had a WFIL voice ID at 0037, but on playing back the tape I now think it was actually an ESPN mention. Strange how your mind works when you really want to hear something! Thanks to Rene for running the tests. I do have WFIL verified from Ontario. **(MS-MB)**

560 WFIL- PA **Philadelphia. 12/11 0000.** Tried for, not heard here. **(RT-MN)**

990 WNTP+ PA **Philadelphia. 12/11 0014.** Various different tones, "WNTP" and letters W F heard in tone-mod slow Morse. Murderous slop from WMVP 1000 and QRM from CBW 990. **(GH-IL)**

990 WNTP- PA **Philadelphia. 12/11 0000-0100.** Nothing heard that sounded like a test under CBW. **(FA-ID)**

990 WNTP- PA **Philadelphia. 12/11 0000.** Tried for, not heard here. Frequency dominated by CBW. **(RT-MN)**

Presumed, Tentative, UnID

1070 UNID **12/17 1701.** Poor, mostly under WTSO, with news including Canadian election coverage. Probably much wanted CHOK Sarnia ON, but did not get enough to be sure. **(MS-MB)**

1140 KNWQp CA **Palm Springs. 12/12 0841.** Presumed with "K-News" slogans, PST time checks, weather (high 70 degrees); "I'm K-News meteorologist Ron...," then male announcer: "K-News headline sports begins at 5:45 on AM 970 East Valley and AM 1140 West Valley." Needed here for a call change. **(JW-CO)**

1450 KSIWp OK **Woodward. 12/11 1959.** Ads; multiple-station ID at 1959:50 but could only make out WWLS-640 and KYAL-1550. KSIW went to a sports format some time back and this is probably them. **(JW-CO)** (Wayne Heinen reported in DDXD-W #73-12 hearing a legal ID for the WWLS "Sports Animal" group that included KSIW. So, this is no doubt what you logged. Ed.-WI)

Regular DX Loggings (times in ELT)

550 WSAU WI **Wausau. 12/19 0006.** Fair with "55 WSAU" ID. NEW! **(MS-MB)**

550 KFYZ ND **Bismarck. 12/18 1833.** Poor but steady over others, with farm show promo, weather, calls. **(JJR-WI)**

570 WKYX KY **Paducah. 12/11 2000.** "WKYX Paducah - WNGO Mayfield" by a male announcer. Mixing with WNAX. **(GH-IL)**

580 WCHS WV **Charleston. 12/6 0525.** Poor, with calls, traffic. **(JJR-WI)**

580 KMJ CA **Fresno. 12/20 0923.** Poor. Calls, given by a male announcer, heard in mess. NEW! **(MS-MB)**

590 WMBS PA **Uniontown. 12/6 0622.** Poor over others, with contest winner, calls. NEW! **(JJR-WI)**

590 WJMS MI **Ironwood. 12/18 1702.** CBS News, ID as "Country 59 WJMS." NEW! **(MS-MB)**

590 KQNT WA **Spokane. 12/20 0750.** Fair, with Wall Street Journal Report, ID. Relog. **(MS-MB)**

610 KOJM MT **Havre. 12/20 0840.** Good with area ads, Havre mentions, ID at 0844. Relog. **(MS-MB)**

640 WWLS OK **Moore. 12/20 0743.** Poor in WMFN null. SIX consecutive minutes of Norman and Enid ads waded through. **(JJR-WI)**

660 WMIC MI **Sandusky. 12/14 0725.** Poor; very detailed sign-on into self-described "Country Gospel music." Rare! **(JJR-WI)**

740 WVLN IL **Olney. 12/7 0300.** Very poor, with ESPN programming. After sitting through ESPN with no calls, PSAs or local spots since 0211 (!), was rewarded with TOH ID. CHWO off. Going for needed CBX. Rare! **(JJR-WI)**

740	WNOP	KY	Newport. 12/7 0800. Poor; in with three to four others. TOH ID, EWTN programming. NEW! (JJR-WI)
750	CKJH	SK	Melfort. 12/20 0736. Poor; QRM from WNDZ's open carrier. "CK-750" slogan, sports, ads. (JJR-WI)
790	WAYY	WI	Eau Claire. 12/6 2305. "NewsTalk WAYY" station ID, then ESPN program. (GH-KS)
800	WKZI	IL	Casey. 12/13 0738. Fair with calls, Bible readings, local chatter. Rare! (JJR-WI)
800	WVAL	MN	Sauk Rapids. 12/14 0658. Song "Louisiana Woman, Mississippi Man"; legal ID at 0659:52 "Legends 800 WVAL Sauk Rapids-Saint Cloud, Minnesota's Country Legends." CBS news followed at 0700. Poor in partial null of XEROK. A first-time log here, MN #55. (JW-CO)
810	WDMP	WI	Dodgeville. 12/10 0738. Poor over others. "D-99.3" jingle, C&W // FM. (JJR-WI)
820	WMGG	FL	Largo. 12/22 0728. Poor to fair with SS music, ad for "Wynn-Dixie en Tampa." No WBAP. (JJR-WI)
830	KOTC	MO	Kennett. 12/11 0807. "KOTC, Your Brand of Country" by a male announcer. Strong signal for a very brief time; at sunup signal vanished. (GH-IL)
830	CKKY	AB	Wainwright. 12/20 0835. Good, mostly over WCCO, with country music and "Key-83" slogan. Relog. (MS-MB)
840	WHGH	GA	Thomasville. 12/22 0724. Poor with WHAS nulled. Birthday greetings, calls. Relog. (JJR-WI)
880	WMEQ	WI	Menomonie. 12/20 0730. Fair way over WCBS, with NBC's "First Light," legal ID, CBS news. Never in this well! (JJR-WI)
910	CKDQ	AB	Drumheller. 12/18 1654. Country music. "CKDQ Drumheller" ID on the hour. Seems early for them. Relog. (MS-MB)
910	WDOR	WI	Sturgeon Bay. 12/22 0659. Very poor. Sign-on (no SSB) into ABC news. (JJR-WI)
960	KSRA	ID	Salmon. 12/8 0853. "Hometown Radio KSRA," followed by ag news; faded out, then came back up again at 0859:57 with quick legal ID and ABC news. Fair on peaks in QRM and sounding better than 56 watts should! (JW-CO)
970	KJLT	NE	North Platte. 12/18 1805. Very poor over others, with SRN news, calls. (JJR-WI)
980	WCUB	WI	Two Rivers. 12/17 1725. Fair, listing community events with Manitowoc mentions. ID as "WCUB Manitowoc." Also used slogan "Cub Radio." (MS-MB)
1010	WIOI	OH	New Boston. 12/7 0327. Fair, 50/9 in peaks, to complete fade out. Calls and Music of Your Life in CFRB null. 22 watts? (JJR-WI)
1020	KJJK	MN	Fergus Falls. 12/20 1808. Fair, wiping out KDKA. "Groovy 1020" slogan and oldies format. (JJR-WI)
1050	WTKA	MI	Ann Arbor. 12/10 0720. Poor in WLIP null. Fox sports, calls. (JJR-WI)
1060	KRCN	CO	Longmont. 12/18 1800. Poor in KYW null, with legal ID, ABC news. First new station on 1060 since 1994! NEW! (JJR-WI)
1070	CHOK	ON	Sarnia. 12/17 1834. "Information Radio 1070 CHOK" by a male announcer. Some semi-local "slop" from WNWI 1080, but a good signal. (GH-IL)
1070	CHOK	ON	Sarnia. 12/18 1755. Poor in fade-up over WTSO. Calls, ads. Also in, very loud, on 12/20 during SRS. (JJR-WI)
1080	WOAP	MI	Owosso. 12/19 0724. Poor, with very detailed state and local news, calls at 0725. No usual WNWI. (JJR-WI)
1150	KWKY	IA	Des Moines. 12/11 0730. Very poor but clear "KWKY" out of nowhere, into religious show. Rare! (JJR-WI)
1150	KSVE	TX	El Paso. 12/12 0923. Carrying the West Coast SS syndicated programming of Radiovisa; occasional breaks for local spots. Also heard later that day, around 1800 ELT, relaying local KINT-FM 93.9 "La Caliente." About 50% readable in each instance. (JW-CO)
1150	WLOC	KY	Munfordville. 12/14 0717. Very poor, in and out quickly, with calls. (JJR-WI)
1150	KJBC	TX	Midland. 12/17 0859. EWTN programming; legal ID at 0900 "...1150 AM KJBC Midland-Odessa" and right back into EWTN program. Fair, mixing with KSVE. New here for TX #171. (JW-CO)
1160	WYLL	IL	Chicago. 12/7 1702. "Chicago Christian Talk" slogan, ID: "WYLL, it's 4:02." Only the second time that I have heard this station. (GH-KS)
1170	WWVA	WV	Wheeling. 12/20 0803. Good with local news, Ohio County mentions, Wheeling weather. Common in East but somewhat rare here. Relog. (MS-MB)
1190	KPHN	MO	Kansas City. 12/18 1754. Poor in WOWO null. "Radio Disney Kansas City"

into ads. (JJR-WI)

- 1200 CFGO ON Ottawa. 12/15 1814. Fair in WOAI null with Senators hockey talk, Ottawa ads, "Team 1200" slogans. Up and down, about 50% readable. First new Ontario here in ages, ON #14. (JW-CO) (Alas, the available targets for all Canadian provinces keep getting fewer and fewer. Ed.-WI)
- 1210 WDAO OH Dayton. 12/13 0738. Fair with calls, sports. No WPHT. (JJR-WI)
- 1210 WMPS TN Bartlett. 12/10 1705. Ole Miss vs. University of Illinois-Chicago basketball, "Keep Tennessee Beautiful" PSA. Strong signal. New for me. (SS-KS)
- 1240 WTAX IL Springfield. 12/22 0739. Poor, in then out, with local ads, calls. (JJR-WI)
- 1240 WSBC IL Chicago. 12/22 0800. Very poor; legal ID heard in mess. Not common. (JJR-WI)
- 1270 WRJC WI Mauston. 12/10 0628. Very poor, with local and state news, ad, CNN news. Rare! (JJR-WI)
- 1270 WFRN IN Elkhart. 12/13 0651. Fair over an unID religious station. "Solid Gospel" format, sports, Indiana and South Bend mentions. Rare at this hour. (JJR-WI)
- 1280 CJSL SK Estevan. 12/9 0759. Good, with talk about change in local weather and then into national news from Broadcast News. Relog. (MS-MB)
- 1280 KDOX NV Henderson. 12/15 0844. "Morning in America" program; Fox news at 0900; area (Las Vegas) headlines, weather, traffic, and ads at 0904. Good signal in KBNO null; obviously on 5000 watt day power a bit early. (JW-CO)
- 1300 KAKC OK Tulsa. 12/7 1759. Fair with legal ID "...log in with Business Talk 1300 KAKC Tulsa"; news from the Information Radio Network at 1800 and traffic at 1805. (JW-CO)
- 1330 CJYM SK Rosetown. 12/9 0800. Good with ID mentioning stations in Rosetown and Kindersley. Relog. (MS-MB)
- 1330 WFNN PA Erie. 12/10 1958. "Otters Hockey on WFNN Sportsradio 1330" by a male announcer. Excellent signal, overriding WVHI. (GH-IL)
- 1330 KNSS KS Wichita. 12/20 1805. Poor but over others. Calls said often during newscast. (JJR-WI)
- 1350 WGAD AL Gadsden. 12/17 0708. Poor in fade up. Traffic report, calls, jingle, oldies format. (JJR-WI)
- 1350 KSRO CA Santa Rosa. 12/20 0905. Out of news (CNN, I think), with announcer saying "6:05. News Talk 1350 KSRO," followed by gal with traffic, then guy with weather. Briefly fair, mixing with others. (JW-CO)
- 1360 WGFA IL Watseka. 12/14 0705. Fair over others. Station promo with address, weather, slogan "Inspire 1360" into Bill Bennett. (JJR-WI)
- 1380 KCIM IA Carroll. 12/10 1722. Man says "You've been listening to Iowa State basketball here on 1380 KCIM. Iowa State basketball has been brought to you by..." (several sponsors named but had already begun to fade). New here, IA #48. (JW-CO)
- 1380 KLIZ MN Brainerd. 12/10 1744. Ad, call letter ID; in and out with Sporting News Radio format. Weather at 1759 was followed by a nice clear ID at 1759:54—"Sports Talk radio for the Brainerd Lakes, 1380 KLIZ Brainerd-Baxter," then back to SNR. Good on peaks as Brainerd sunset neared. (JW-CO)
- 1380 KSLG MO Saint Louis. 12/18 0700. Fair, with legal ID. No usual WKJG or WTJK. All are ESPN! Not common. (JJR-WI)
- 1390 WTJS TN Jackson. 12/11 2035. ID, North Pole Christmas program. (SS-KS)
- 1410 WHLN KY Harlan. 12/18 1741. Very poor, in with two others. Local ads, PSA heard during fade up. (JJR-WI)
- 1440 KDIZ MN Golden Valley. 12/17 1720. Fair with "Radio Disney" mentions and the usual hideous music. (MS-MB)
- 1450 KLMX NM Clayton. 12/11 2059. Gal with legal ID, followed by ABC news. Fair in the mix. (JW-CO)
- 1470 WBTX VA Broadway-Timberville. 12/11 1656. Fair in null of local splatter generator WLMV 1480. Unspecified music followed by sign-off announcement and invitation to listen to FM outlet WLTK (103.3 New Market VA). NEW! (Ed.-WI)
- 1510 KMRF MO Marshfield. 12/1 1730. Here's Help Network religious program begging for money; ID. New. (SS-KS)
- 1520 KRHW MO Sikeston. 12/18 2107. "1520 KRHW." Good signal. (GH-IL)
- 1550 WLOR AL Huntsville. 12/7 0732. Poor but over others. Chatter, "Jammin' 1550" non-IDs. (JJR-WI)
- 1550 KSFT MO Saint Joseph. 12/18 2141. Slogan ID "Jukebox Sunday night on Goodtime

- Oldies 1550," by male announcer. Good signal for slogan, then into the mud. Didn't come back up. **(GH-IL)**
- 1550 WJIL IL **Jacksonville. 12/19 0714.** Poor but alone, with weather and "Star 1550 WJIL" slogan. Nostalgia format. Rare! **(JJR-WI)**
- 1560 WQEW NY **New York. 12/13 0159.** Radio Disney slogans and programming. "AM 15-60 WQEW New York City." **(RT-MN)**
- 1570 WILO IN **Frankfort. 12/10 0708.** Poor but cutting through the clutter. Web address, weather, nostalgia format. Rare! **(JJR-WI)**
- 1570 WFRL IL **Freeport. 12/14 0100.** "Calendar Girl" followed by ID: "Timeless Classics, AM 15-70 WFRL Freeport," into ABC news. **(RT-MN)**
- 1570 CKMW MB **Winkler. 12/14 2300.** C&W followed by a forecast from the Heartland Weather Center, with snowfall measured in centimeters, into news. In and out with another unID C&W station. Tough copy due to the presence of a loud het. Radio was aligned NW-SE. Partial ID "...MW" noted at 0005. **(RT-MN)**
- 1590 KGAS TX **Carthage. 12/8 0623.** Heritage Land Bank ad, weather for Northeast Texas, ID. **(SS-KS)**
- 1590 WAIK IL **Galesburg. 12/8 1732.** Fair above mess and KCRG slop, with ads and ID. New. Their directional antenna throws little power this way. Was my closest or second closest unheard. **(DB-IA)**
- 1600 WRPN WI **Ripon. 12/17 2000.** "AM 1600 WRPN Ripon-Oshkosh-Fond du Lac," into CBS news. **(RT-MN)**
- 1600 KCRG IA **Cedar Rapids. 12/17 2105.** "You're in the Zone, ESPN Radio 1600 KCRG Cedar Rapids," into Iowa State Cyclones versus Ohio State Buckeyes basketball game. QRM from unID SS station, possibly KZGX. **(RT-MN)**
- 1600 KCKK CO **Lakewood. 12/17 2357.** "We're Classic Country 1600 Kix [Radio?], KCKK" into Moe Bandy song. Tough to copy; underneath KCRG. **(RT-MN)**
- 1600 KCKK CO **Lakewood. 12/20 0807.** Fair with country music and "KCKK, Classic Country" ID. Relog. **(MS-MB)**
- 1630 KRND WY **Fox Farm. 12/20 1630.** Strong signal, with SS music and "La Grande" slogan IDs. No legal ID at ToH. **(RT-MN)**
- 1640 KFXY OK **Enid. 12/21 1700.** Promo for Oklahoma Cowboys basketball on KNID-99.7 followed by ID: "AM 16-40 KFXY Enid-Oklahoma City, The Score" into sport scores. **(RT-MN)**

DDXD-East

Happy New Year! This edition includes several loggings made on December 15 and 17, 2005, while 740-CHWO and 860-CJBC were off in preparation for the installation of a solid-state transmitter (scheduled for January). The stations are located at the same site west of Toronto, Ontario. *Thanks, Saul!*

REPORTERS

- JLB-NY **Jerry Bond, Rochester** – Sankyo STR-100 portable.
- MKB-ON **Mike Brooker, Toronto** – Grundig YB-400PE; Panasonic RF-2200.
- SC-ON **Saul Chernos, Burnt River** – Sangean ATS909, Radio Shack loop antenna, three 1000' unterminated longwires.
- PC-VA **Perry Crabill, Winchester** – Drake R8, Kiwa Loop, 100' wire.
- HJH-PA **Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre** – Grundig S350, Kiwa Pocket Loop, Bose Wave Radio.
- RJ-NC **Russ Johnson, Lexington** – Sony 2010, Panasonic RFB65, Icom R75, Palstar R30C, long wires, Quantum Phaser.
- IEN-GA **Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville** - Drake R8B, 135' N/S Wire.
- IEN*GA **Ira Elbert New, III, Watkinsville** – Sangean ATS 909 with and without Select-A-Tenna.
- RB-IN **Bob Pote, Greenwood** – Drake R8A and Kiwa Loop.
- JR-NY **Jim Renfrew, Byron** – Drake R8B, 1000' and 100' wires, Quantum Phaser.

DX TESTS

- 560 WFIL PA **Philadelphia** – 12/11 0000 - I tried for this one but not heard however I did get great copy of KLVI in Beaumont, Texas. **(RP-IN)**
- + 12/11 0015 - A variety of sweep-tones and beeps cutting through the clutter. Good signal at times. **(IEN-GA)**
- + 12/11 0025 - Sweep tones punched through. Good Morse code copy at 0045. **(RJ-NC)**
- + 12/11 0042 – over CFOS groundwave with tones sounding like a cross between a croaking frog and a squeegee being dragged across a windshield.

Not needed, QSLed in 1979. **(MKB-ON)**

- 990 WNTF PA **Philadelphia** - 12/11 0025 - Good copy of sweep tones @ 0025 and Morse code @ 0045. **(RJ-NC)**
 + 12/11 0028 - A variety of sweep-tones and beeps faint under presumed WNRV in Narrow-Pearisburg, VA, but it rose above WNRV at 0035. Good signal at times. **(IEN-GA)**
 + 12/11 0045 - fighting CBW/WLGZ mix with code IDs and squeegee tones. Also not needed, QSLed in 1977 as WIBG. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1700 KKLFP TX **Richardson** - 12/4 0109 - NRC test presumed, with sweep tones every other minute or so, no code heard as reported by others. Previously heard. **(JR-NY)**

STATION LOGGINGS

- 540 WFLF FL **Pine Hills** - 12/12 1920 - "this is the Mike Gallagher show on 540 WFLF" followed by traffic report, very good signal almost local like new for me. **(RP-IN)**
- 580 WGAC GA **Augusta** - 12/11 1800 - Ending segment of Money Talk then ID, "Talk 580 WGAC Augusta and WGAC FM Warrenton, a Beasley Broadcast Station." Into CBS News. Fair with others. Last heard in 1976. **(HJH-PA)**
- CKPR ON **Thunder Bay** - 12/15 2315 - Slowly faded up to a good level with country music and ad for Victoriaville Mall and McDonalds. Ad for Dick Bartley "All American Gold". ID as "News Radio CKPR". New. **(HJH-PA)**
- 590 WVLK KY **Lexington** - 12/11 1835 - Breaking from Kim Commando Show then ID's during promo featuring the voice of Pres. Bush. Also, "If it's important we're talking about it on WVLK". Fair at times with local WARM off. New. **(HJH-PA)**
- 620 WGCV SC **Cayce** - 12/12 1930 - Female said "you're listening to the all new WGCV, 620 AM" this was followed by gospel music. Very poor in the mix. New. **(RP-IN)**
- 710 WROM GA **Rome** - 12/16 0745 - WROM ID in between two Christmas songs. Dominant. **(RJ-NC)**
- 740 WVLN IL **Olney** - 12/7 0300 - call letters noted in the Spanish language mess on 740 (with CHWO off the air). **(JR-NY)**
- CHCM NL **Marystown** - 12/15 0250 - "Brian ? with VOXM 20/20 weather"; 0324 - Maritime-style ballad: Here's to a Newfoundland Christmas; 0337 with "VOXM, your Merry Christmas station." Same ID heard 17 December @ 0015. CHWO off both mornings. **(SC-ON)**
- 790 WTSK AL **Tuscaloosa** - 12/14 2313 - UC Gospel. Good signal with slight fades on top of a choppy mix with Radio Reloj underneath it all. "AM 790, WTSK". **(IEN*GA)**
- 800 WVHU WV **Huntington** - 12/16 0815 - Interesting news report with announcer offering his opinion on each story. Then school closings with references to WVHU.com. Then "NewsTalk WVHU." **(RJ-NC)**
- 860 WGOM IN **Marion** - 12/7 0118 - call letters heard during several ESPN breaks, during CJBC silent period, new. Interference from R. Reloj and R. Unam in Mexico. **(JR-NY)**
 + 12/15 0200 - "WGOM Marion" ID at TOH. CJBC off. New! **(SC-ON)**
- KONO TX **San Antonio** - 12/15 0201 - ID mentions 101.1 and into Beatles' Michelle; 0248 with Jim Croce's Light my Fire, then 0301 with oldies, and ID mentioning 860 & 101.1. CJBC off. New! **(SC-ON)**
- WAMO PA **Millvale** 12/15 0212 - "This is Magic music, the best R 'n B, magic 107.1 & 860." Also heard 17 December @ 0110. CJBC off both mornings. **(SC-ON)**
- KNUJ MN **New Ulm** - 12/17 0010 - "860 KNUJ" IDs, 40s/50s pop music with slight country edge, at least some if not all Christmas music, weather, national and New Ulm ads. CJBC off. New! **(SC-ON)**
- 880 WPEK NC **Fairview** - 12/16 0852 - Air America programming. Then ID "Progressive Talk for Asheville AM 880-The Revolution." ID as WPEK at TOH. It was the last day for this particular talk show host who was enjoying blasting Air America management for canceling him. **(RJ-NC)**
- 910 WFDF MI **Ash Township** - 11/19 1817 - Radio Disney program, local ID during break. Many are calling this a new station because of the distance from the former transmitter site in Flint. **(JR-NY)**
- WLAT CT **New Britain** - 12/19 1600 - Nice signal with "La Mega" slogan into lively SS

- music. **(JLB-NY)**
- 930 WMGR GA **Bainbridge** - 12/20 1810 - Aaron Neville tune into GNN Sports. Good signal (30 over S9) with slight fading mixed with sports from somewhere. "WMGR" and "WMGR, Bainbridge". **(IEN-GA)**
- 940 WRNG VA **Grundy** - 12/14 1805 - Voice heard saying "we're your home for solid gospel WRNG, Grundy Virginia." Very good signal for several minutes 1st time heard. **(RP-IN)**
+ 12/20 1817 - Christmas music, Joy to the World. Semi-dominant signal mixed with a few others. "Your home for solid gospel, WRNG, Grundy". **(IEN-GA)**
- 990 WNTP PA **Philadelphia** - 12/16 1604 - less than a week after their DX test, noted over WLGZ with local weather "from the WNTP weather center", ad for ESWT shock wave therapy, local news ending with slogan "that's what's happening on news-talk 990 WNTP". **(MKB-ON)**
- 1090 WKTE NC **King** - 12/19 1847 - Gospel music. Weak signal above the mix. "AM 1090, WKTE, The Gospel Leader". **(IEN-GA)**
- 1120 WPRX CT **Bristol** - 12/15 1802 - creaming nulled KMOX with Latino hot hits and Christmas songs such as SS version of Jingle Bells, EE ID (3 minutes after TOH) "you're listening to WPRX 1120 AM Bristol-New Britain-Hartford". **(MKB-ON)**
- 1130 WCLW NC **Eden** - 12/19 1744 - On top with ID, weather (current temperature 38 degrees) and then gospel music. **(JLB-NY)**
- 1150 WIMA OH **Lima** - 12/16 1636 - In briefly with promo for the Scott Walker Show on "Newsradio 1150 WIMA." **(JLB-NY)**
- 1160 WOBN NJ **Lakewood Township** - 11/28 2059 - "The Music You Love - WOBN, Lakewood Township." Then network news. **(RJ-NC)**
- 1180 WZQZ GA **Trion** - 12/14 1811 - Male voice said "for news all over north Georgia its WZQZ" followed by news cast. Fair to poor signal under WHAM 1st time heard. **(RP-IN)**
- 1190 WBDY WV **Bluefield** - 12/15 1650 - "Sports radio with an attitude, 1190 WBDY." Jingle for Fox sports radio. **(RJ-NC)**
- 1210 WQLS AL **Ozark** - 12/15 1641 - Announcement for "gospel singing right here in Ozark, Alabama." Then ID for "the new 1250". **(RJ-NC)**
- 1230 WTPG OH **Columbus** - 12/16 1631 - On top of the mess for a bit with "Newsradio 1230 WTPG" ID and then a traffic report. **(JLB-NY)**
- 1250 WAPZ AL **Wetumpka** - 12/15 1625 - "Tickets available at WAPZ radio station." Then ad for Buffalo wings followed by ID for WAPZ. **(RJ-NC)**
- WSSP WI **Milwaukee** - 12/19 1628 - In the clear with "Sportsradio 1250 WSSP" ID. **(JLB-NY)**
- 1260 WSDZ IL **Belleville** - 12/15 2200 - Radio Disney programming. Including promo for 50 presets at Christmas. The oh-so rare Radio Disney legal ID came at TOH. "AM 1260 WSDZ - Belleville-St. Louis." **(RJ-NC)**
- 1280 WGTX FL **De Funiak Springs** - 12/19 1734 - Local sports news about a basketball tournament. Semi-dominant signal in the mix. "...on AM 1280, WGTX". **(IEN-GA)**
- 1310 WTZN PA **Troy** - 12/20 1700 - Faded in strong with ID as "WTTC Towanda and WTZN Troy" just before a sports report. **(JLB-NY)**
- WDTW MI **Dearborn** - 12/20 1707 - Weak under WNAE and semi local WRSB with a clear ID. **(JLB-NY)**
- 1320 WVNZ VA **Richmond** - 12/13 1511 - Poor signal but faded in briefly over WHHO with "You're listening to ? on WVNZ Richmond" followed by SS talk. **(JLB-NY)**
- 1330 WBHV PA **Somerset** - 12/12 1528 - Strong with ID and gospel music. **(JLB-NY)**
- 1350 WCSM OH **Celina** - 12/20 1719 - dueling high school basketball game on Akron, OH pest with slogan "the music of your life on WCSM" into schmaltzy version of *Good King Wenceslas*. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1360 WTAQ WI **Green Bay** - 12/16 0915 - Very strong with an interview with a Green Bay football player, then ID as "Newsradio WTAQ" followed by local spots. **(JLB-NY)**
- 1410 WLSH PA **Lansford** - 12/13 1636 - fighting WDOE and CHKT-1430 slop with ad for Chain Reaction bike shop, promo for "Dollar Holler" classified ad program, ID as "AM 1410 WLSH, keeping you informed" into local news. **(MKB-ON)**
- WDOV DE **Dover** - 12/13 1807 - over CHKT-1430 slop with PSA for energy conservation from Delaware Energy, ID at end of local weather: "that's your forecast

from 1410 WDOV, news, talk, sports.” (MKB-ON)

- WING OH Dayton - 12/20 1835 - Sports news and local spots. Semi-dominant signal in the mix. “1410 WING AM, ESPN Radio”. (IEN-GA)
- 1420 WKCY VA Warrenton - 12/7 1347 - Good early signal with SS programming in null of semi-local WACK. No ID heard but I was able to trace the programming to their internet stream. (JLB-NY)
- 1440 WVEI MA Worcester - 12/19 1636 - In the clear with many local spots and then ID as WEEL, the Boston station they simulcast. (JLB-NY)
- 1460 KXNO IA Des Moines - 12/14 1730 - Fox sports, lots of call letter IDs. (JR-NY)
- WPON MI Walled Lake - 12/14 2100 - oldies music, ID at top of hour “WPON Walled Lake-Detroit”, new, amazing that I haven’t heard this before with my antenna aimed due west. (JR-NY)
- 1470 WEMM WV Huntington - 12/13 1733 - Gospel music, good at times. “The tri-county connection for the best gospel music, 1470 WEMM.” (HJH-PA)
- 1510 WLKR OH Norwalk - 12/18 1018 - Finally caught an ID after hearing many local ads and oldies for over 20 minutes. (JLB-NY)
- 1550 WNTN MA Newton - 12/16 1616 - Good signal with brief sign off inviting listeners to tune in again tomorrow. (JLB-NY)
- 1560 WAGL SC Lancaster - 12/9 1620 - In nicely with oldies and ID. (JLB-NY)
- 1570 WWSZ IN New Albany - 12/7 2338 - sports programming, “WSZ” calls (also includes 1600 station). (JR-NY)
- 1600 WTTF OH Tiffin - 12/13 0859 - Good signal with mentions of Tiffin and Findlay and then ID followed by ABC News. (JLB-NY)
- 1610 CJWI QC Montreal - 12/20 0043 - Continuous Caribbean-type music with a hip-hop element; ID as “CPAM” at 0049. First Canadian (Canadien?) heard on the X-Band. (PC-VA)
- 1640 WTNI MS Biloxi - 12/15 0659 - Male said “talk radio 1640 WTNI” followed by ABC news at top of the hour. Fair to good signal, 1st time heard. (RP-IN)
- 1680 KRJO LA Monroe - 12/12 1655 - Many mentions of “Gospel 1680” followed by local news about church happenings in the Monroe area, very good signal way over WDSS, new for me. (RP-IN)

UNID AND PRESUMED

- 540 UNID — _____ - 12/15 0744 - Briefly heard using slogan “Sports Radio 540 The Fan.” I couldn’t find a listing for this one in the 26th log. (RP-IN)
- 590 WCABp NC Rutherfordton - 12/11 1905 - Promo for “Music In The Morning” then tentative call ID on tape. Extremely weak and not enough info to count. WARM returned to the air at 1911. (HJH-PA)
- 740 CBXp AB Edmonton - 12/17 0040 - Emotional, typical CBC drama or reading. CHRB 1140 AB almost equal to WRVA, CBK 540 SA also in. CHWO off. (SC-ON)
- 780 WTMEp ME Rumford - 12/16 1547 - Good signal and saying they were the home of Maniacs hockey. Gave non-ID as CNN-1240, presumably their partner WCNM-1240 in Lewiston, ME. (JLB-NY)
- 860 WDMGp GA Douglas - 12/15 0257 - Presumed with Mike & Mike in the Morning promo; also presumed 17 December @ 0036 with “ESPN Radio.” Only other ESPN affiliate is 1000-watt KMVP Phoenix, and this reception was fairly strong at time and looped north-south. CJBC off. (SC-ON)
- 990 WNRVp VA Narrows-Pearisburg - 12/11 0025 - Christmas carols with a country flavor to them. Dominant signal on top of the clutter mixing at times with the DX Test from WNTP in Philadelphia, PA. “3WR Radio” slogan. (IEN-GA)

Musings

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I don’t have much opportunity to muse, but will add a few comments about some receptions I had

over the week of Thanksgiving when we were visiting Victoria, Texas. Victoria is about 100 air miles southwest of Houston just off the Gulf Coast. Also 100 air miles away but to the northwest is San Antonio. I was amazed at how poorly WOAI-1200 came in at night. A fair signal during the day, but after dark it faded in and out horribly. I heard SS behind WOAI at night, but never good enough to discern where it was coming from. By far, the best signal during the day (other than the two locals on 1340 and 1410) was KTRH-740 Houston. KCTA-1030 Corpus Christi, at about 80 miles, lit up 7 LEDs on the ICF-2010, and KTMR-1130 Edna, at 25 miles, lit 8. But KTRH was a solid 9, day and night. The most surprising catch while there was KGYN-1210 Guymon, Oklahoma at 600 miles. I heard it one morning at 0600 CST with their unmistakable ID. This was prior to their November pattern change time of 0730. Victoria AM radio is pretty lame. The 1410 station has a very irritating hum behind the signal 24 hours. I tried to visit them on a couple of occasions, but the studio was locked tight at what I thought would be regular business hours. In contrast, I found the chief engineer of Victoria's major TV facilities very friendly and amicable. They operate five stations out of one building. Two full power stations (19 and 25) and three LPTVs. That's all for now. Wishing all the best of DX. BILL

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As we begin a bright new year, I am anxious to assemble the responses I've received to the poll about our conventions we published in DX News a couple of months ago. The number of comments has been quite small, so I'm just mentioning this one more time to be sure you didn't just forget to write in.

The questions were quite simple:

- 1) Should we have just one convention each year? Would regional meetings satisfy your interests in meeting with dxers?
- 2) Where should the meetings (either kind) be held? This year the Board selected Akron, OH based on ease of access by air or bus and reasonably priced hotel rooms. Should we go back to asking members to volunteer to host a convention(s) in or near their hometown?
- 3) When during the year should meetings be held? Is Labor Day weekend best for YOU? How about meeting at mid-week instead of on a weekend?
- 4) Would you prefer a one-day convention? Two day? Three or four day? How about planning the program events around arrivals on Friday and planning to end the formal programs on Sunday at noon?
- 5) What kind of programs would draw YOU to a convention? Station tours? Technical (or semi-technical) talks and demonstrations? People speaking about their own experiences at a station? What would interest YOU?

Please let me hear from you during January. I want to represent the members' interests in scheduling these events. Write to me at my PO Box, or by e-mail at jbowker@tampabay.rr.com.

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My travel schedule for the year is winding down, so I have some time to DX. In the limited time I've had the radio on, I have heard a new x-bander (a transmitter site change). A local transmitter site change for WYLL-1160 to the southwest suburbs might bring a few interesting DX opportunities here, such as Maine and the other new stations that have come on the air in recent years. You know you're not on the cutting edge of DXing when you're waiting for a local to move its transmitter.

The White Sox winning the World Series was exciting and fun, and represents a change in fortune. I can remember when they had no big Chicago AM flagship station in the early 1970s. Locally, their games were carried on WTAQ-1300 and an Evanston FM station. Next year, the Sox will be on WSCR-670. For the record, there was no radio broadcasting the last time the White Sox (and the Red Sox) won a World Series!

A few months earlier, I was in Southern Illinois and heard about the Cardinals leaving KMOX for KTRS-550. Turns out the Cardinals bought 50 percent of KTRS. This was quite a big deal in a baseball town like St. Louis, and the Post-Dispatch even ran a cover story on the decline of the big full-service AM stations like KMOX. I listened to the last Cardinals-Astros playoff game on KMOX in mid-October.

A few months ago I bought a Sangean ATS-909 (same as the DX-398), primarily as a good quality travel radio. I haven't tried shortwave, but the medium wave offers good sensitivity and pretty good selectivity. A few weeks after I bought the ATS-909, shortwave DXer Kevin Mikell called me and said he had found some Superadios in a discount store in Rockford. Did he want me to pick one up for \$45? Sure, I said. But this was a later model of the Superadio, a larger, bloated, cheaper version of the model that is no DX machine. I've read that the ATS-909/DX-398 is due to be replaced by a cheaper model, too. At least the Superadio will pick up the Sox on WSCR next year, unless I give it away in a Christmas grab bag or something. 73.

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**Best Western—The Inn at Towamencin
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Plan to attend your favorite forums Friday and Saturday. Enjoy meeting with your friends in the Hospitality Room. Bring radio related items for the swap meet or to donate for the Silent Auction. Check out your friends' receivers, bring one of your own for others to try!

No frills; just shortwave, longwave, mediumwave, pirates, and scanning. Once again you will enjoy the camaraderie of your hobby friends.

Please note, there is an incentive for you to pre-register, as prices are more expensive for those who wait. Registration options are also more flexible than in the past, with new one-day and student registrations. **If you wish to participate in the meals, you must register and inform us that you will be attending by Thursday morning, March 2nd.** If you choose not to participate in the meals, the hotel has a restaurant, and there are other restaurants nearby.

Your registration must be received by February 21, 2006 (note the earlier date) for the best prices; registrations received after that date are priced higher. See the registration form below.

Many things, like the raffle, remain the same:

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Please submit the following form with your registration amount or send for more information to:

SWL WINTERFEST
P.O. Box 4153
Clifton Park, NY 12065

NAME: _____ (SPOUSE'S NAME) _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ E-MAIL: _____ (REQ. FOR REG. CONFIRMATION)

CHECK ONE OR MORE

REGISTRATION RECEIVED BY FEBRUARY 21, 2006: <input type="checkbox"/> Full (\$47) <input type="checkbox"/> Two-Day Partial (\$17) <input type="checkbox"/> One-Day Partial (\$9) <input type="checkbox"/> <i>New!</i> Lunch-only Saturday (\$23) <input type="checkbox"/> <i>New!</i> Spouse Lunch-only Sat (\$13) <input type="checkbox"/> Full Spouse / etc. (\$32) <input type="checkbox"/> Banquet only (Spouse) (\$19) <input type="checkbox"/> Student (\$5)	LATE OR ON-SITE REG. RECEIVED AFTER FEBRUARY 21, 2006: <input type="checkbox"/> Full (\$55) <input type="checkbox"/> Two-Day Partial (\$20) <input type="checkbox"/> One-Day Partial (\$10) <input type="checkbox"/> One-Day Partial w/Lunch (\$25) <input type="checkbox"/> Full Spouse/son/daughter (\$40) <input type="checkbox"/> Banquet only (Spouse) (\$25) <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse etc. Lunch-only (\$15) <input type="checkbox"/> Student (\$5)	BANQUET: <input type="checkbox"/> Roast Beef <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken RAFFLE TICKETS: <input type="checkbox"/> raffle tickets, please (\$1 ea./ 6 for \$5/ 13 for \$10) Registration Fee Enclosed \$ _____ Raffle Tickets Fee Enclosed \$ _____ Total Check/Money Order \$ _____
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Registration is not transferrable; cancellations after February 20, 2006 cannot be refunded, however we will refund raffle ticket money if you have to cancel.