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From the Publisher ... We welcome new editor Shawn Axelrod to the fine group of DXN editors; Shawn has successfully revived "Target DX", and his first column appears on p. 21.

And now, a few words from BoD chairman Wayne Heinen: "As promised, the Board of Directors, with Treasurer Dick Truax in the lead role, has analyzed the budget for the National Radio Club and has completed our projections for the near future. The bottom line is that there will be a \$5.00 per year dues increase for *DX News* magazine subscriptions effective July 1st, 2008. A one year subscription will be US\$33.00 to the USA, US\$43.00 to Canada and US\$57.00 to all other countries.

"The Board has decided to accept one additional year renewal at the current rates from anyone wishing to renew for an additional year prior to the dues increase on July 1st 2008. These one-year additional renewals will be accepted through July 1, 2008 only. After that all renewals will be at the new rates listed above.

"We encourage all that have access to the internet to take advantage of the stand-alone e-DXN service at <<http://e-DXN.com/>>. e-DXN offers all the features found in your *DX News* magazine at a "stand-alone" price of \$15 per year, regardless of where you live. This is less than half the new cost of a subscription to the paper *DX News* in the United States!

"As you are aware, the prices of energy, food and all other consumables are rising. The Board feels that this trend will eventually cause more increases in operating costs as we see the prices we pay for printing, postage, and other services increase.

"As of this writing, the Board has not received any firm commitments to take over the publishing duties that still remain vacant. Once again, we'd like to encourage anyone who may have computer skills to consider this position and contact me at the address on the back page of DXN. The Board is looking at various contingencies that will allow the continuation of *DX News* magazine; however we still need a volunteer for this position.

"Once again, I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered their time, energy and expertise in helping us make the National Radio Club

and *DX News* the kind of club we are all proud to be a part of."

Unfilled positions ... We're still in need of volunteers for the following positions: one or more persons to edit future NRC publications; a DXN publisher, by June 2008, starting with the July 2008 DXN. The publications editor would be in charge of editing new publications developed by contributors or the club, and the redefined duties of the publisher were outlined in the April, 2008 DXN.

Conventions ... Check page 23 for updated info on NRC 2008 in Pittsburgh; checks go to John Mallicky now, and the hotel has asked for reservations to be made by August 15.

The IRCA Convention will be held in Flagstaff, Arizona September 12-14 at The Days Inn, 1000 West Route 66, Flagstaff, Arizona, 928-774-5221. Room rates will be \$65.00 per night plus tax for single, double, triple or quad rooms. Ask for the IRCA room rate, and reserve by August 12. The convention registration fee will be \$25.00. On Sunday a road trip will be offered to Meteor Crater, the best preserved and first-proven meteorite impact site on the planet. Meteor Crater is about 35 miles East of Flagstaff. After Meteor Crater will be a drive back to Flagstaff and to Sunset Crater Volcano and Wupatki National Monument. The Saturday-night banquet and all tours will cost extra. For more information, please contact convention host Bill Block - 7716 E. Thelma Drive - Prescott Valley, AZ 86314, <billwblock@msn.com>.

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28.	June 6	June 16	30.	Aug. 8	Aug. 18
29.	July 11	July 21			

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News

50 years ago ... from the May 17, 1958 DXN: Stan Morss, Bradford, MA reported receiving a nice color verification card from TIDCR-625, mailed airmail from San José on 2/25 and received on 4/12; also received was a nice picture verification card from WIVI-1040.

25 years ago ... from the May 9, 1983 DXN: Gerry Thomas's article "The Hot Rod" described how to make an inexpensive, ferrite rod antenna.

10 years ago ... from the May 18, 1998 DXN: The death of veteran DX'er Hank Holbrook was reported.



AM

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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>
750	WLDR	MI Petoskey	WARD
880	WCQV	VA Moneta	WSLK
920	WMEL	FL Melbourne	WDMC
1120	NEW	NY Little Falls	WKAJ[details below]
1320	KYHN	AR Fort Smith	KWHN
1320	NEW	HI Ewa Beach	KEWA[CP is for U4 5000/5000]
1350	KGHF	CO Pueblo	KDZA
1370	NEW	WY Big Horn	KHNY[applicant has a CP here, plus an application to move station to 1380 at Huntley, Montana]
1400	KUNX	CA Santa Paula	KKZZ[station is // KVTA-1520]
1430	NEW	AK Wasilla	KMBQ
1450	NEW	PA Milford	WQCD[details below]
1590	KKZZ	CA Ventura	KUNX
1650	KWHN	AR Fort Smith	KYHN
1680	KAVT	CA Fresno	KGED[Frequency correction from last Issue]

CPs ON THE AIR

890	WAMG	MA Dedham - Now on with U4 25000/6000.
900	WUAM	NY Watervliet - Now on with U1 400/70 at N42-41-21 W73-47-37. Ex: Saratoga Springs.
920	WMOK	IL Metropolis - Now on with U2 1000/750.
980	WHAW	WV Weston - Now on with U1 25000/49 from their new tower at N39-01-36 W80-26-29. "WHAW 980 AM radio is located in Weston, West Virginia, USA and began operation on February 14, 1948 with 250 watts of power. Since that time it has undergone several upgrades, the most recent coming February 14, 2008 when its power was increased to 25,000 watts - making it the most powerful AM station located entirely in the state of West Virginia" writes verie signer Gary Burton to a Finnish DXer. [I guess they can make that claim, at least in the daytime, as WWVA-1170's three towers are located in Ohio.]
1020	KCKN	NM Roswell - Remaining U4 50000/50000, KCKN is now on using a new day pattern, a standard figure-8 with equal lobes directed 154 and 326 degrees.
1030	KCWJ	MO Blue Springs - Now on with U4 5000/500.
1040	WNJE	NJ Flemington - Now on with U7 15000/1500 CH 7500.
1140	KCLE	TX Cleburne - Now on with U2 5000/710.
1230	KDIX	ND Dickinson - Now on the air from a new, shorter tower at N46-52-21 W102-44-38 while remaining U1 1000/1000.
1270	KRVT	OK Claremore - Now on with U4 5000/1000. The new day pattern sends identical large lobes to the northeast and southwest along with smaller lobes favoring the southeast and northwest.
1320	WILS	MI Lansing - Now on with 25000/1900.
1340	WJYI	WI Milwaukee - CP for U1 1000/1000, using a folded unipole antenna, is on the air.
1470	WBFC	KY Stanton - CP for U1 2500/25 is on the air from a new tower at 37-52-08 W83-52-56.
1490	WIRB	AL Level Plains - New station is now on with U1 1000/1000 at N31-17-08 W85-47-26.
1550	WLOR	AL Huntsville - Now on with U4 50000/44.
1560	WMRO	TN Gallatin - Now on with U1 1000/3.
1560	KZIZ	WA Pacific - CP for U2 5000/900 CH 3300 is on the air from three in-line towers. The night pattern sends an almost circular balloon to the north-northwest.
1600	WATX	TN Algood - Now on with U1 2500/30 from a new tower at N36-11-19 W85-28-23.

1670 CJEU QC Gatineau - Now on with U1 1000/1000 with children's programming as *Radio Enfant*.

GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

730 NEW CO Grand Junction - CP granted for U4 2000/250 from three towers (used all hours) at N39-01-35 W108-29-36. The patterns are identical, except for size, and are directed to the northeast.

1120 WKAJ NY Little Falls - CP granted for U2 1000/250.

1300 NEW AZ Prescott - CP granted for U4 1500/250 from six new towers. Both patterns are slender shots to the north.

1450 WQCD PA Milford - CP granted for U1 1000/1000.

1490 NEW CO Kirk - CP granted for U1 250/250.

1490 NEW CO Silt - CP granted for U1 1000/1000.

1490 NEW NM Vanderwagen - CP granted for U1 250/250.

ACTIONS

670 KBTB NV Las Vegas - CP granted for U4 30000/600 from four in-line towers (3-day /4-night) at N36-23-05 W115-21-06. The majority of the day signal is directed out into the desert to the northwest, while the night pattern heads into the desert to the southeast (hi).

790 WRMS IL Beardstown - CP granted for U4 500/55. Besides reducing their nighttime power by four Watts, they are cutting off the top four feet of both towers in order to eliminate the need for painting and lighting.

850 WPTB GA Statesboro - Coordinate correction to 32-27-56/W81-49-56.

860 KPAM OR Troutdale - CP granted for U2 50000/15000, tripling their nighttime power.

930 WHLM PA Bloomsburg - CP granted for U2 2000/100.

1080 WALD SC Johnsonville - CP modified to D1 9000/0 CH 2700.

1110 KJSA TX Mineral Wells - CP granted for D3 20000/0, moving from 1120.

1200 KFNW ND West Fargo - CP granted for U4 50000/13000, upping the nighttime power.

1230 KSIX TX Corpus Christi - CP granted for U1 720/720 and a transmitter move to the #4 tower of the KEYS-1440 array. Since that tower is 100' taller than KSIX's old structure, they must drop down to the 720 Watt level to achieve the same coverage area.

1270 KTFI ID Twin Falls - CP granted for U1 10000/1000.

1310 KTCK TX Dallas - STA for U1 2250/1250 granted. A storm knocked down three of their four towers on April 10. While on low(er) power, KTCK is simulcasting their pseudo-sports format on sister station KKLK-1700.

1410 WEGO NC Concord - CP granted for U1 1000/68 from a new, shorter, tower.

1460 WXOK LA Port Allen - CP granted for U1 4700/290 along with a change in City-of-License from Baton Rouge.

1460 KBRZ TX Missouri City - CP granted for U1 5000/125 along with a CoL move from Freeport, Texas.

1510 WWOZ IL Highland - CP granted for D3 5000/0.

1570 KUAU HI Haiku - CP granted for U1 15000/15000.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

1330 KXLJ AK Juneau - New station not yet on the air, requests to amend their CP for U1 10000/3100 to U1 10000/3000.

1570 WBGX IL Harvey - Applies to amend their CP for U4 1500/500 to read U4 1100/500.

APPLICATIONS

670 KIRN CA Simi Valley - Applies for U4 20000/3000 [subsequent to the dismissal below].

860 KMVP AZ Phoenix - Applies for U2 940/1000.

1060 WILB OH Canton - Applies for D3 15000/0.

1090 CKKW ON Kitchener - Applies to move to 99.5 MHz with 2.2 kW at 102 metres.

1190 WSDE NY Cobleskill - Applies for U1 1000/20 CH 1000.

1290 WWHM SC Sumter - Applies to rebroadcast WWHM on W227BI-93.3 MHz.

1290	WATO	TN	Knoxville - Applies for an extension of their STA to remain silent. According to their application, “. . . on March 19, 2008, high winds caused one of the towers of the directional (sic) array to collapse, leading to a suspension of operations while the licensee reviews available options to facilitate a return of the station to regular operation . . . until September 19, 2008 to allow for repairs to be made.”
1340	WNBS	KY	Murray - Applies for U1 800/800.
1380	WGYV	AL	Greenville - Applies for D3 250/0 on 1030 kHz and a move to Aurora, Indiana. This is one of those oddball Auction 84 applications from 2004 that actually has made it this far through the process.
1450	WHSC	SC	Hartsville - Applies for a Silent STA , which has been accepted for filing (meaning a grant is imminent) due to the fact their new antenna site, including ground system, was vandalized (most likely for the copper). They were recently granted authority to operate from the new, shorter, tower at their site.
1510	KGA	WA	Spokane - Applies for U2 50000/15000.
1530	KQSP	MN	Shakopee - Applies for U4 50000/26.

AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATIONS

1200	NEW	VA	Bon Air - New station, not yet on the air, amends their U4 50000/20000 application to read U4 50000/10000.
1290	WWHM	SC	Sumter - Licensed for U2 1000/1000, WWHM applied for U1 1000/250. This amendment requests U1 1000/250 with a change in CoL to Wedgefield, South Carolina.
1420	KJDL	TX	Lubbock - Amends its application for U1 500/250 to read U1 500/140.
1550	KKJY	NM	Albuquerque - Amends its application for U1 5000/27 to U1 10000/27.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

1100	NEW	OR	Lebanon - Applies for U4 5000/5000.
1340	NEW	NH	Conway - Applies for U1 620/1000.
1450	NEW	NM	Flora Vista - Applies for U1 160/160.
1490	NEW	ID	Dalton Gardens - U1 810/810.
1490	NEW	MT	Orchard Homes - Applies for U1 1000/800.

LICENSE RENEWALS GRANTED

648	WVUV	AS	Leone
740	WNYH	NY	Huntington
1260	WI2XSO	PR	Mayaguez

RECONSIDERATION REQUESTS

1150	NEW	HI	Captain Cook - Application for U1 5000/5000, amended from 1060 kHz.
1150	NEW	CA	Easton - Application for U4 700/10000.
1260	NEW	AZ	Many Farms - Application for U1 1000/250, amended from 1250 kHz.

RECONSIDERATION REQUESTS GRANTED

900	NEW	OR	Bend - CP for U4 50000/2400.
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RECONSIDERATION REQUESTS DENIED

1400	NEW	OR	Bend - Application for U1 1000/1000.
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DISMISSALS

670	KIRN	CA	Simi Valley - Application for U4 35000/35000. KIRN remains U3 5000/3000.
700	WDMV	MD	Walkersville - Application for D3 50000/0 moving to Poolesville, Maryland. This leaves them with an application for D3 50000/0 at Walkersville.
740	WI2XAC	PR	Ponce - License renewal denied.
1110	WUAT	TN	Pikeville - Application for D1 1000/0 CH 500 per applicant's request.
1270	WTJZ	VA	Newport News - CP for U4 15000/1800. WTJZ remains U2 1000/1000.
1280	WDNT	TN	Dayton - CP for U1 2200/31. WDNT remains U1 1000/31.
1310	WSLW	WV	White Sulphur - Application for D3 250/0 moving to Bexley, Ohio.
1450	NEW	HI	Hilo - Application for a new station.

1560 WMRO TN Gallatin - Application for U1 250/3. They remain U1 1000/3.

HEAR AND THAR

☐ OFF the air: KDUN-1030 Reedsport, Oregon; KVCL-1270 Winnfield, Louisiana; WPYR-1380 Baton Rouge, Louisiana, WHSC-1450 Hartsville, South Carolina; KOKB-1580 Blackwell, Oklahoma (but back on a day later).

☐ Back on: WEEL-700 Dothan, Alabama; KYBO-1360 Talullah, Louisiana; and KYLW-1450 Lockwood, Montana with a news/talk format.

☐ Thanks to Shawn Axelrod, Steve Francis, Glenn Hauser, Wayne Heinen, Deane McIntyre, Doug Smith, and Håkan Sundman.

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

* record held by DXer from North America (excluding Alaska)

+ record held by a DXer in USA/Canada where a Canadian/USA record exceeds that mileage

1230 kHz:

					<u>Miles</u>
KFJB	IA	Marshalltown	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 887
WITH	MD	Baltimore	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 420
WGRY	MI	Grayling	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	440
WIKB	MI	Iron River	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 621
WMSH	MI	Sturgis	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 543
WMOU	NH	Berlin	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 235
WTSV	NH	Claremont	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 220
WECK	NY	Cheektowaga	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 224
WIGS	NY	Gouverneur	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 73
WHUC	NY	Hudson	Tim Hall	Lakeville, PA	+ 96
WDBZ	OH	Cincinnati	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 620
WCWA	OH	Toledo	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 467
WKBO	PA	Harrisburg	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 356
WTIV	PA	Titusville	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 324
WCLO	WI	Janesville	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 684

1240 kHz:

WBHB	GA	Fitzgerald	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 1026
WSNJ	NJ	Bridgeton	Tim Hall	Newton, NJ	+ 113
WPKE	KY	Pikeville	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 647
WSYY	ME	Millinocket	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 344
WJEJ	MD	Hagerstown	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 406
WCBY	MI	Cheboygan	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 422
WFTN	NH	Franklin	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 244
WJTN	NY	Jamestown	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 284
WRTA	PA	Altoona	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 361
WYGL	PA	Selinsgrove	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 319
WOON	RI	Woonsocket	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 317
WKDK	SC	Newberry	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 826
WBEJ	TN	Elizabethton	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 709
WEKR	TN	Fayetteville	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 906
WSKI	VT	Montpelier	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 177
CJCS	ON	Stratford	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 293
CFLM	QC	La Tuque	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 204

1340 kHz:

WYBC	CT	New Haven	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 316
WYCB	DC	Washington	Tim Hall	Lakeville, PA	+ 198
WLEW	MI	Bad Axe	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	372
WBBL	MI	Grand Rapids	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 519
WAGN	MI	Menominee	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 575
KVBR	MN	Brainerd	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 886
WLVL	NY	Lockport	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 209
WOUB	OH	Athens	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 527
WYCK	PA	Plains	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	272

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WRAW	PA	Reading	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	349
WTRN	PA	Tyrone	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 348
WGRV	TN	Greeneville	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 735
WVNR	VT	Pountney	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 181
WVCV	VA	Orange	Tim Hall	Newton, NJ	+ 264
WXKX	WV	Clarksburg	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 479

1400 kHz:

WDWS	IL	Champaign	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 729
WEZW	ME	Augusta	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 304
WIDE	ME	Biddeford	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 293
WLLH	MA	Lowell	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+291
WRCC	MI	Battle Creek	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 514
WBIP	MS	Booneville	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 1002
WLTN	NH	Littleton	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 210
WOND	NJ	Pleasantville	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 418
WWWS	NY	Buffalo	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 226
WKEW	NC	Greensboro	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 676
WMAN	OH	Mansfield	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 466
WTCY	PA	Harrisburg	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 358
WWGE	PA	Loretto	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 366
WKBI	PA	St. Marys	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 307
WICK	PA	Scranton	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 273
WRAK	PA	Williamsport	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 292
KGVL	TX	Greenville	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	* 1370
WINC	VA	Winchester	Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON	+ 444

1450 kHz:

WPAM	PA	Pottsville	Tim Hall	Newton, NJ	+ 79
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1490 kHz:

WCSS	NY	Amsterdam	Tim Hall	Lakeville, PA	+ 120
WOLF	NY	Syracuse	Tim Hall	Lakeville, PA	+ 121

TOTALS:	1230	1240	1340	1400	1450
1490	TOTAL				
Barry McLarnon	Ottawa, ON		56	61	54
60	61	62	354		

[Remember, these totals are NOT the number of records held. They are the number of stations DXed on each of the Graveyard channels. Check out the Totals column at and see if your latest efforts are listed there. If not . . . send 'em in!]

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NOTICE: Effective immediately, a new rule will be in effect concerning acceptable mileage limitations for records.

Keep in mind the title of the column(s): "Graveyard DX Achievements" and "Graveyard DX Totals", with the emphasis on "DX".

Recognition in any of the columns must be REAL DX. DX is defined as hearing a station outside its normal listening area.

Since most stations on the six GY frequencies are Class C stations that are normally protected to the daytime 0.5 mV/m contour and usually use 1000 Watts, I'm going to put a new minimum distance for DX, in this instance, as 60 miles. Some may say that's too far; others will say too close. But I'm not going to figure the 0.5 mV/m contour for 1200+ stations.

Driving through a town and hearing a station is not DX, and really not much of an achievement. Some folks even count stations heard this way among their GY Totals. That's not the intent of these lists.

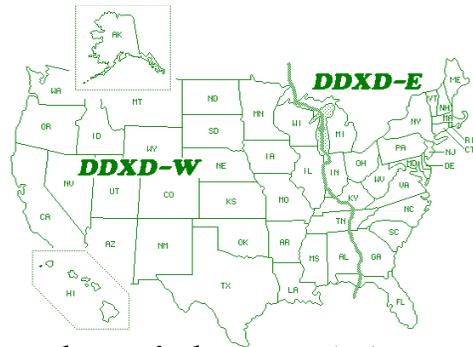
"Hearing" and "DXing" are two different things, so consider that when submitting future stations for inclusion in Graveyard DX Achievements.

If you're a real DXer, I'm sure you'll understand and accept this new policy. As Elvis would say . . . "Thank you very much".

Domestic DX Digest

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DDXD-West

FROM THE VAST WESTLAND

- ▲ We start this issue with a story from the **Vast Westland** sports desk. The long nightmare for **Vast Westland** NCAA men's basketball teams (see DDXD-West #75-26) is at long last over! For the first time since 1997 a **VW** team has won the national championship! Actually, the triumph was assured during the semi-final round on 4/5, two days before the championship game, when the Kansas Jayhawks beat the last remaining Eastern Time Zone team, the North Carolina Tar Heels. The only thing left to decide two days later was which **VW** team would be crowned champion, Kansas or the Memphis Tigers. The Jayhawks triumphed in an overtime thriller. Afterwards Kansas coach Bill Self gave special recognition to that well-known Kansas NRCer **Paul Swearingen**, whose inspirational pre-game talk before the Tar Heels game, reminding the team that it was carrying the hopes of the **Vast Westland**, propelled the team to a surprisingly easy victory [I told 'em the low scorer would be the new DXN publisher, hi -pls.].
- ▲ Denver area DXer **John Wilkins** sends along these notes on the state of AM IBOC in that market: "Local IBOCs continue to be on and off. In April, KOA 850, KDDZ 1690, KCFR 1340, and KMXA 1090 were off for periods of time. Can't determine any patterns; they just seem to shut down for a few hours or a few days for unknown reasons. KHOW 630 is the only one that seems to be permanently off (since last fall). Currently KOA 850 and KDDZ 1690 are IBOC-less. Tomorrow who knows?"
- ▲ A big Thank You to **Dale Park** for contributing all of the Station News that appears in this month's column. Dale also sends along this item: "The following stations added Nova M Radio's new personality Randi Rhodes as of 4/14: 540 KRXA Carmel Valley CA (from 4/22) 620 KPOJ Portland OR; 760 KKZN Thornton CO; 960 KKGK Oakland CA; 1080 KUDO Anchorage AK (from 5/1); 1090 KPTK Seattle WA; 1150 KTLK Los Angeles CA; 1230 KJFK Reno NV; 1230 KKEE Astoria OR; 1280 KPTQ Spokane WA; 1330 KXLJ Juneau AK (from 4/28); 1340 KBBR North Bend OR; 1340 KIST Santa Barbara CA; 1350 KABQ Albuquerque NM and 1480 KPHX Phoenix AZ."
- ▲ Although this is first and foremost a loggings column, station news has for a long time been a staple in it. We really appreciate receiving news items, whose presence strengthens this column. Even if you are not currently active in logging, please keep us in mind when you hear of a format or other change affecting a **Vast Westland** station in your area. Thank you, enjoy the next five weeks, and we will see you in June! 73 **Bill**

Reporters

- CK-CO** **Chris Knight, Fort Lupton.** Drake R8 communications receiver, Sony ICF-SW7600GR (internal loopstick antenna), 12' x 27' terminated loop antenna, NNE-facing, switchable, variable termination; 16' x 34' WNW flag antenna, terminated, switchable, fixed, 1k ohm termination; Quantum Phaser.
- DP-HI** **Dale Park, Honolulu.** Sangean ATS-818CS, Terk AM1000 loop.
- GH-IL** **Greg Harris, Park Forest.** Icom R75 with Quantum loop or homebrew Hula Hoop Loop.
- GH-KS** **Gary Houdek, Munden.** GE Superadio.
- JW-CO** **John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge.** Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
- SA-MB** **Shawn Axelrod, Winnipeg.** ICOM IC-R70, Drake R8, 4 foot unamplified box loop, Quantum loop, 155 foot outdoor wire, 100 foot indoor wire, MFJ 1026 phasing unit.
- WH-CO** **Wayne Heinen, Aurora.** Drake R8B, N/S Flag, E/W Flag, Modified 4 foot NRC Altazimuth loop, 15 foot vertical whip, Dual TG-1 Termination Gizmo w/2 BUF-F amplifiers, Mini-DXP5, DX Engineering RPA-1.
- Ed.-WI** **Your editor, Madison.**

Station News

- 590 **KQNT WA Spokane.** Adds Kim Komando per program 4/26, airing Sundays 1807-2000. (DP-HI)

- 760 **KFMB** CA **San Diego.** Per Premiere Radio Networks news release, station added Glenn Beck 4/8, becoming his 300th affiliate. Show airs weekdays 1207-1500 on the conservative talk station. **(DP-HI)**
- 790 **KJRB** WA **Spokane.** Per website spokaneradionews.com, station switched from sports to newstalk 4/7, with CNN Headline News and hourly newscasts from the *Spokesman-Review* newspaper, and featuring Bill O'Reilly, Michael Savage, Jerry Doyle, Lars Larson and Phil Hendrie. **(DP-HI)**
- 940 **WFAW** WI **Fort Atkinson.** Added Kim Komando 3/29 per show, though the station's website does not reflect this. **(DP-HI)**
- 1190 **KFXR** TX **Dallas.** Per *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* and *Radio & Records*, station switched from classic country to CNN Headline News the night of 3/30, using the slogan "CNN 11-90." **(DP-HI)**
- 1240 **KVRC** AR **Arkadelphia.** Per website southwestarkansasradioinsider.blogspot.com, station "will be going newstalk in the very near future." **(DP-HI)**
- 1340 **KAND** TX **Corsicana.** Per *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*, new owner Yates Communications will re-launch the station 6/1 as the nation's first "green" radio station, with a format that "will encourage listeners 'to live a more healthy life, save money and save the planet.'" (Apparently they haven't heard of KKGN 960 Oakland, a.k.a. "Green 9-60," or the solar-powered WBNO-FM in Bryan OH. hi.) They also call it a "hybrid" station and admit they will have more Internet than over-the-air listeners. **(DP-HI)**
- 1390 **KFFK** AR **Rogers.** Per Premiere news release and *Radio & Records*, station flipped from SS news-talk to Fox Sports Radio 4/28. Station will air FSR day and night except weekdays 0600-1000, 1200-1500 (for Jim Rome possibly?), and 1700-2100. **(DP-HI)**
- 1400 **KKTL** WY **Casper.** Per show website message board 3/24, station now airs Kim Komando Saturdays at 1707. **(DP-HI)**
- 1510 **KGA** WA **Spokane.** Per website spokaneradionews.com, station flipped to sports 4/7 (see KJRB-790 above), featuring a relay of Mitch Levy from KJR 950 0900-1200 and Spokane Indians minor league baseball joining Gonzaga basketball. **(DP-HI)**
- 1510 **WRRD** WI **Waukesha.** Per *Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel*, station will stay with ESPN but will change languages from EE to SS 5/5, using the slogan "ESPN Deportes 15-10." **(DP-HI)**
- 1600 **KEPN** CO **Lakewood.** Per *Rocky Mountain News*, the station will move to 950 once KKFN finishes airing the postseason games of the Avalanche and Nuggets. **(DP-HI)** (As reported in DDXD-W #75-26, the format of KKFN 950 moved to 104.3 FM, and since that happened 950 and 104.3 have been running // in an arrangement that from the start was to be only temporary. **Ed.-WI)**

Regular DX Loggings (times in ELT)

- 610 **KAVL** CA **Lancaster.** 4/5 0200. Out of spot with "KAVL Lancaster, Fox Sports 610" to Fox news. **(WH-CO)**
- 620 **KMNS** IA **Sioux City.** 4/6 0300. "Continuous sports coverage, SportsRadio 620 KMNS Sioux City" to Fox news. **(WH-CO)**
- 620 **CKRM** SK **Regina.** 4/10 0540. ID "CKRM home of country music." Then C&W music. **(GH-KS)**
- 660 **CFFR** AB **Calgary.** 4/2 0000. "This is 660 News Calgary. This is the only news station in Calgary." Traffic, weather, "It's 10:04." **(GH-KS)**
- 790 **WAYY** WI **Eau Claire.** 4/2 2202-2204. Good signal with network ad for Zantac, "Newstalk 7-90 WAYY." Promo for ESPN. **(CK-CO)**
- 810 **WHB** MO **Kansas City.** 4/13 0755. Local Kansas City Ads. Good signal; no WGY QRM. **(GH-IL)**
- 830 **KLAA** CA **Orange.** 4/23 0759. Area ads, plug for Angels baseball; legal ID at 0759:50 as "...KLAA Orange-Los Angeles..." and into area news. Good signal with no sign of WCCO. **(JW-CO)**
- 860 **KTRB** CA **San Francisco.** 4/13 0853. Best of "John and Jeff"; ID "The Next Generation of Talk Radio, KTRB San Francisco-Oakland-San Jose, AM 8-60, Truth for the Bay..."; Dan Myers with world and national news, reverse mortgage ad. Poor to very poor. **(DP-HI)**
- 860 **KARS** NM **Belen.** 4/23 0752. Ads, call letter ID, C&W tune. Fair in QRM with KOA's

- IBOC off. (JW-CO)
- 880 WCBS NY New York. 3/23 2248. ID "WCBS traffic and weather on the eights. It's 10:51." First time I have heard this station in a long time. (GH-KS)
- 940 KVSH NE Valentine. 4/9 2230-2236. Very good and alone with weather forecast by Sue McEvoy, "Heart City Radio" slogans, call letter ID, into classic rock song. (CK-CO)
- 980 KDSJ SD Deadwood. 3/28 0832. Local sports report-- umpires needed, Extreme Dodgeball tournament, etc. Sponsored by local casino. Fair but soon lost to KGLN. (JW-CO)
- 1070 KVKK MN Verndale. 4/9 2250-2305. Very good peaks with C&W music, call-in request. Legal ID. New! (CK-CO)
- 1100 WTAM OH Cleveland. 4/5 0259-0300. Poor signal under KNZZ with ID: "This is the Big One...11 hundred WTAM Cleveland..." (CK-CO)
- 1160 KHPP IA Waukon. 4/9 2330-2400. Poor to fair signal under KSL with oldies music, "The True Oldies Channel" slogans, weather forecast, legal ID at 2400. New! (CK-CO)
- 1230 KDIX ND Dickinson. 4/10 0039-0042. Fair but above mess with call letter IDs, local ad mentioning a farm co-op in Dickinson, into adult standards song. (CK-CO)
- 1240 KCCR SD Pierre. 4/10 0030-0033. Poor to fair signal over mess with "Newsradio KCCR" ID, several more call letter IDs, promo for their web site. (CK-CO)
- 1250 KBRF MN Fergus Falls. 4/10 0004-0006. Good signal with local ad, "All-American radio...KBRF," into Jim Bohannon talk. (CK-CO)
- 1270 KRVT OK Claremore. 4/11 0200. Out of nostalgia type music. "Tulsa's 1270 is KRVT, Claremore-Tulsa" to CBS news. Noted an earlier St Louis Cardinals promo on 1270; undoubtedly this station also per Barry's list in #26! (WH-CO)
- 1310 WTLC IN Indianapolis. 4/26 2100. "AM 1310 the Light" used as ToH ID. Fair signal; no trace of WIBA, which is unusual. (GH-IL)
- 1340 KGFW NE Alliance. 4/3 2246-2248. Briefly on top with several call letter IDs, promo for Dave Ramsey program. Local KCFR non-existent on terminated loop. (CK-CO)
- 1340 KSID NE Sidney. 4/3 2250-2300. Fair-- good peaks with C&W music, "The Fort" slogans, legal ID heard under KGFW. Local KCFR out of the picture. (CK-CO)
- 1420 KJCK KS Junction City. 4/12 0600. "The Talk of JC, AM 1420 KJCK Junction City." This used to be much more prevalent here. (WH-CO)
- 1430 KZQZ MO Saint Louis. 4/7 0704. Fair signals fading up over KEZW with oldies music and then ID as "KZQZ 1430 AM." Now using these calls and format. NEW (SA-MB)
- 1430 KZQZ MO Saint Louis. 4/26 2115. "The all new KZQZ 1430 AM" by a male announcer. Good signal, great music. New under this callsign. (GH-IL)
- 1490 KGOS WY Torrington. 4/7 2122-2128. Fair and clear signal with C&W music, dual IDs "KGOS-KERM." Local KCFC phase-nulled. (CK-CO)
- 1540 KEDA TX San Antonio. 4/23 2305. Out of SS music. "KEDA, Radio Jalapeño." Fair under KXEL. (WH-CO)
- 1580 WPMP MS Pascagoula-Moss Point. 4/2 0558. Heard some spots for Pascagoula between 0403 and 0405; later definite WPMP ID. New and taped. (WH-CO)
- 1580 WTTN WI Watertown. 4/18 0000. "All the great hits, AM 1580 WTTN Watertown..." to CNN news. This was dominant most of the morning. (WH-CO)
- 1620 KOZN NE Bellevue. 4/5 0221. Several "1620 the Zone" slogan IDs and Omaha ads. Good signal. (GH-IL)
- 1680 KGED CA Fresno. 4/26 0812. Nostalgia and lite Oldies music; "Legends 1680" slogans, male announcer. Fair at best with local 1690 KDDZ's IBOC mercifully turned off. Also heard that evening with legal ID at 2159:55: "This is KGED Fresno, the all new Legends 1680, with America's best music." Ex-KAVT, ex-Disney. (JW-CO)

TIS, HAR, Etc.

- 529 LYQ TN Morristown. This widely reported NDB beacon, just below the broadcast band, has been operating since last September. In a 4/5 posting on the NRC-AM list, Tom Jasinski reveals some new developments concerning this station. "The beacon LYQ... appears to be fully functional now. There is a slow Morse code 'LYQ' followed by complete location and now with weather data

and an aircraft frequency given for incoming flights. First noted with new complete format a few weeks ago but was good again this morning before sunrise." (Ed.-WI)

DDXD-East

REPORTERS

- MC-MA** **Mark Connelly, Rockport (Granite Pier)** - RFSpace SDR-IQ, Drake R8A, DXP-6A phasing unit, cardioid array on roof of car, 3.7m whip, Micro-SuperLoop
- BC-NH** **Bruce Conti, Nashua** - SDR IQ, WR-CMC-30, MWDX-5, 50 x 75-ft SuperLoop antennas east with remote variable termination and south 1150-Ω terminated.
- HF-MI** **Harold Frodge, Midland** - Drake R8B + 215' center-fed RW, 85' end-fed RW, 125' bow-tie
- EH-MA** **Eric Hopkins, Ayer** - Sony SRF-M35FP
- DJ-PA** **David Jansky, Sunbury** - CCRadio, Radio Shack loop
- KK-VA** **Kraig Krist, Manassas** - NRD-545, homebrew 12-foot vertical dipole, 43-foot Eavesdrop-per running east to west, 134' multiband antenna running NW to SE.
- RWK-CT** **Rick Kenneally, Wilton** - Drake R8B, Sony ICF2010, Quantum Phaser and Loop, various long wires in the woods.
- DP-HI** **Dale Park, Honolulu** - station news
- JW-PA** **Jim Weber, Lancaster** - Honda Civic car radio
- MKB-ON** **Mike Brooker, Toronto** - Grundig G5, Sony SRF-39FP

STATION NEWS

- 820 WWEB MD Frederick** - added Nova M Radio's new personality Randi Rhodes as of 4/14. Other stations adding Rhodes: 880 WPEK-NC Fairview (from 5/01), 940 WINZ-FL Miami, 1290 WJNO-FL West Palm Beach (flagship), 1290 WLBY-MI Saline, 1360 WCHL-NC Chapel Hill, 1450 WVAX-VA Charlottesville, 1470 WNYN-NY Ithaca (from 5/01), 1490 WKVT-VT Brattleboro (from 4/28), 1520 WWKB-NY Buffalo (from 4/16). **(DP-HI)**
- 1090 WBAL MD Baltimore** - Per Premiere Radio Networks news release 4/23, station now airs Fox Sports Radio weeknights 2100-0100, "with assorted clearance on weekends." **(DP-HI)**
- 1160 WCFO GA East Point** - Per station website, added Phil Hendrie 4/01, airing on tape weeknights 1800-2000, right after Lou Dobbs' new show. Station slogan is "Newstalk 11-60, The Talk of The Town!" **(DP-HI)**
- WODY VA Martinsville** - Per Premiere news release, station added Jim Rome 4/21, airing weekdays 1307-1500. **(DP-HI)**
- 1240 WIAN MI Ishpeming** - (also 1320 WDMJ-MI Marquette) Per Premiere news release, stations added FSR on 5/03, airing Saturdays 0500-0600, 1200-1900 and 2100-2400; and Sundays 0500-0800 and 1100-2400. **(DP-HI)**
- 1370 WELG NY Ellenville** - Added Kim Komando 3/29 per show, airing Saturdays at 1007. **(DP-HI)**
- 1400 WKNW MI Sault Ste. Marie** - Per Premiere news release, will add FSR on 6/02, airing weeknights at 2000-0100, "in addition to various hours on weekends." **(DP-HI)**

DX TEST

- 1480 WHBC OH Canton** - 3/29 0255 - Mostly hearing WPWL since they are close to my QTH. However, at 0316 and 0358 heard CW. Definitely heard a CW "O". Also, at 0342 heard sweep tones. Unsure if this was enough for report. E-mailed Dale Lamm, the Director of Engineering at WHBC describing what I heard and asked if I should bother him with a reception report. Mr. Lamm replied indicating I did indeed hear the WHBC DX Test and encouraged me to send a report, which I did via USPS. **(KK-VA)**

TIS/HAR

- 1630 WQHK899 VA Manassas** - 3/30 0159 - Northern Virginia Community College TIS mixing with KCJJ, with "Northern Virginia Community College... Manassas Virginia..." continued with parking information (at this time of the morning?) (likely an automated loop; TIS's rarely have a live person on the air. Mike) Location

is near Route 66, Route 234 and Bull Run Battlefield. **(KK-VA)**

- WQHJ332 VA Chester** - 4/10 1954 - Up very briefly but very strong with deep-voiced man discussing mission and hours of operation of Chesterfield County Waste and Resource Recovery station at 6700 Landfill Drive. How would you like to live on that street? **(RWK-CT)**
- WQHJ540 MA Sharon** - 4/11 2319 - "WQHJ540 16-30 on your AM dial... Sharon community radio...", by slow-voiced man. Also had announcements by a woman, and an automated time check by a mechanical-sounding female voice. **(RWK-CT)**
- WQEX633 CT Manchester** - 4/10 2225 - Mentions of meeting of Planning & Zoning at Lincoln Center, then ID "WQEX633 ... Manchester Advisory Radio Station ...". New. **(RWK-CT)**
- WPTJ441 RI Richmond** - 4/6 1933 - In mush of several RI HAR stations - got a clear opening to RI's HAR stations. "This is WPTJ441 Richmond, the Rhode Island..." **(RWK-CT)**
- WPWL406 RI Narragansett** - 4/6 1933 - Early and clear in this opening with "This is WPWL406 Narragansett...". Also proved to be the longest lasting in the opening. **(RWK-CT)**
- WPQB669 RI Providence** - 4/6 1935 - In mix of competing RI HAR stations - clear "This is WPQB669 Providence..." **(RWK-CT)**
- WPKL358 RI Warwick** - 4/6 1937 - Rising up later than the others for clear "This is WPKL358 Warwick and WPQB669 North ..." Nice of the RI DOT to put separate messages on each transmitter. **(RWK-CT)**
- 1640 WQFH340 ME York** - 4/6 2108 - Rising up a couple times with clear mentions of "Maine" and "Fish & Wildlife" and one good "Outdoor Radio" ID. **(RWK-CT)**
- 1700 WQEL632 NJ Cape May** - 3/22 1230 - Weak but persistent in daytime on south beverage with ads for fun stuff in Cape May: youth dance, men's slow-pitch softball, wine tasting, historical tours, and "the comic antics of magician Robert Aburdine." **(RWK-CT)**

CAMPUS CARRIER CURRENT

- 1620 WMBC MD Arbutus** - 4/21 0445 - University MD, Baltimore CO campus running a test on 1620, which has been listed as a fixed ALERT AM station. Periodic IDs for University of Maryland, Baltimore County campus radio tests every 3 minutes or so, no other content. Strong north side 695 and near RTE 70 faded out after I got on 95 South. Return trip at 1530-1550 or so also noted. At 1600 near Timonium, very loud period of music, hiphop-ish, then faded into nothing in a few minutes. . No ID or voice, assume still UMBC but seemed to have been transmitting at much increased power. Confirmed through Wes Weber, station Engineering Advisor. **(JW-PA)**

UNID

- 1640 (TIS/HAR)** - 3/29 1500 - Message by man: "This is the New York State Department of Transportation site number five". I can only find 3 sites in the FCC database. **(RWK-CT)**
- 1710 (pirate?)** - 4/7 2320 - Mixing with the Boston Caribbean station, also strong at times, also in FF, but very different FF. Slow non-Caribbean French by man and occasional old ballads that sounded like 1940s music. Is there a Canadian pirate on this frequency? **(RWK-CT)**

LOGGINGS

- 540 WGOP MD Pocomoke City** - 4/6 1649 - "Your home for timeless favorites. Bob Lawrence here with you." into Barry Manilow song, ID at 1654: "...tell them it's 540 WGOP" and jingle "Timeless favorites". **(KK-VA)**
- CBT NL Grand Falls-Windsor** - 4/6 2000 - Good; local ID, "This is CBC Radio One, 1400 AM in Gander," promos and CBC news. **(BC-NH)**
- +++** - 4/22 2024 - // CBN-640, discussion of the human voice, evolutionary reasons for male / female pitch differences; good. **(MC-MA)**
- 570 CFCB NL Corner Brook** - 4/22 2033 - // VOXM-590 and CKGA-650 with "VOXM Satellite Weather", forecast by woman for various Newfoundland locales, flurries mentioned; over WMCA. **(MC-MA)**
- 590 VOXM NL St. John's** - 4/22 2033 - // 570, 650 with "VOXM Satellite

- Weather"; mixing with and occasionally atop WEZE. **(MC-MA)**
- 600 CBNA NL **St. Anthony** - 4/22 2038 - // CBN-640, CBC program with brief segment of Beatles' "All My Lovin'", then "You're listening to 'Ideas' on CBC Radio One"; over domestic that was likely WICC. **(MC-MA)**
- 640 CBN NL **St. John's** - 4/6 2000 - Good; local ID, "You're tuned to CBC Radio One, 90.3 FM in Marystown," promos and CBC news. **(BC-NH)**
 +++ - 4/22 2013 - // CBGY-750 with CBC talk about the development of human and animal vocal abilities, relationship to mating; good, way over WNNZ & LA's, some Spain-639 het. **(MC-MA)**
- 650 CKGA NL **Gander** - 4/22 2022 - // CHCM-740 with discussion of regional transportation issues; good peak, way over WSRO. Noted again at 2112 with "green tea from Tetley, Newfoundland's favourite tea", VOXM 20-20 Weather. **(MC-MA)**
- 740 CHCM NL **Marystown** - 4/22 2019 - discussion of Stephenville airport, advert for Marystown Ford; loud / dominant. Only audio noted under turned out to be Brazil. 2103 ad for "M&M Quick Copy, M&M Printing your one-stop photo shop in Marystown (phone 279-3444) and Fortune (phone 832-2992)"; local-like, completely dominant. **(MC-MA)**
- 750 CBGY NL **Bonavista Bay** - 4/22 2019 - CBC programming; mostly over YVKS Caracas. **(MC-MA)**
- 780 CFDR NS **Dartmouth** - 4/22 2103 - male C&W vocal "time for leavin'", "You're listening to 20 in a row just the way you like 'em, pure country classics, real country classics, accept no substitute, classic country 780 Kixx", then Elvis Presley "Don't Cry Daddy"; local-like. **(MC-MA)**
- 790 CFNW NL **Port au Choix** - 4/22 2106 - // CHCM-740 with C&W song; under WSKO, over Venezuelan. **(MC-MA)**
- 800 VOWR NL **St. John's** - 4/22 2101 - smooth-voiced woman mentioned an event with a \$15 ticket price at a St. John's club, call the St. Mary's church office at 579-0033, then soft piano jazz; a bit over PJB/CJAD. **(MC-MA)**
- 810 CJVA NB **Caraquet** - 4/22 2019 - French and English language C&W songs; strong, dominant. **(MC-MA)**
- 900 CKDH NS **Amherst** - 4/22 2037 - "900 CKDH" ID, weather, another ID "Your community, your radio station, 900 CKDH", the Sheryl Crow "Everyday is a Winding Road"; good to dominant. **(MC-MA)**
- 910 WNHV VT **White River Junction** - 4/4 2300 - Weak in mush with hard to understand ad by deep-voiced man "...it's not too late, call..." then woman with clear "9-10 WNHV White River Junction...". On 84 watts? **(RWK-CT)**
- 920 CJCH NS **Halifax** - 4/22 2007 - "This Diamond Ring" by Gary Lewis & the Playboys from '65, then CJCH jingles; local-like (no evidence of WHJJ or CKNX). **(MC-MA)**
- 940 WINZ FL **Miami** - 4/1 0100 - chopping through CINW's strong signal with "940 WINZ" ToH ID and mentions of Miami. **(EH-MA)**
- WKGM VA **Smithfield** - 4/1 2130 - in CINW null, program with Pastor David Paul, "your ministry station WGKM 940 AM" station ID. **(EH-MA)**
- WGFP MA **Webster** - 4/5 2211 - briefly overpowering CINW with slogan "Classic country, K Country" into C&W song. "Classic country WGFP" ID noted at 2250. **(EH-MA)**
- 950 CKNB NB **Campbellton** - 4/22 2008 - "Your community, your radio station, 95 CKNB", then Steely Dan "Reelin' in the Years"; fair, dominant. WROL in SuperLoop southwest null - barely noticeable. **(MC-MA)**
- 990 CBY NL **Corner Brook** - 4/22 2011 - CBC documentary, over fast Spanish-talk sports (SER or Venezuela?). **(MC-MA)**
- 1040 WNJE NJ **Flemington** - 4/18 0705 - over WYSL and CHUM-1050 slop with WEPN-1050 simulcast, promo for Rangers hockey on "1050 ESPN New York", J.C. Penney ad into ESPN's Mike & Mike in the morning show. **(MKB-ON)**
- 1070 WFNI IN **Indianapolis** - 4/6 2355 - while trying for CBA DX test, noted with ESPN Sports Center, "ESPN Radio. This is... Sports Center... ten seventy The Fan". **(KK-VA)**
- KFTI KS **Wichita** - 4/14 0300 - C&W mixing with CHOK (also C&W). "KFTI Radio" spot at 0307. Not logged in ages. **(HF-MI)**
- CBA NB **Moncton** - 4/7 0458 - Excellent; discussion about switch to FM leading up to hourly CBC news. 2345 noted off the air leaving CHOK in clear. **(BC-NH)**

- 1140 CBI NS Sydney - 4/22 2002 - "on our website 'cbcnews.ca'", talk about Bank of Canada; slightly over Venezuela. (MC-MA)
- 1210 VOAR NL Mount Pearl - 4/22 1958 - "Insight for Living" religious program, mention of life lessons for women, website "insightforliving.ca", phone number 1-800-6637639; good, over WPHT & LA's (but adjacent Virgin R. 1215 was even louder). (MC-MA)
- 1230 CFGN NL Port aux Basques - 4/22 2051 - C&W music, advert, "... proudly supported by CFCB" (= Newfie network); over nulled WESX (Portuguese) and unID with Red Sox game. (MC-MA)
- 1240 WSYX ME Millinocket - 4/22 2056 - "Keep your sox on all season long on your home for Red Sox baseball in the Katahdin area and the Lincoln Lakes region, the Mountain 94.9. Adverts for Millinocket businesses followed. Good, over WBUR/WCNM. (MC-MA)
- 1260 CKHJ NB Fredericton - 4/22 2044 - "Canada's #1 spot for Motorsport news", CKHJ ID; in head-to-head duke-out with WMKI R. Disney. (MC-MA)
- 1270 CJCB NS Sydney - 4/22 2047 - C&W female vocal, talk about charity auction sponsored by Sydney Mazda; sometimes over WTSN ballgame and 1269 Germany het. (MC-MA)
- 1320 WHHO NY Hornell - 3/15 1900 - ID plus "Your good time oldies station 1320 Hornell" into news. Signal not good with others. (DJ-PA)
- WGET PA Gettysburg - 3/17 1440 - ID in middle of Phillies exhibition game, "1320 WGET your Phillies station". Listenable but that's about all - with WJAS nostalgia music. Many Adams County ads and ID again at 1539. (DJ-PA)
- 1350 CKAD NS Middleton - 4/22 2050 - song "Small Town Southern Man", net ID "AVR Today's Best Country"; dominant. (MC-MA)
- 1370 WDEA ME Ellsworth - 4/22 2044 - Red Sox baseball, local adverts: Mt. Desert Spring Water and the Ellsworth American and MDI Islander newspapers; crusher signal, way over WFEA. (MC-MA)
- 1390 WEGP ME Presque Isle - 4/22 2050 - Red Sox v. Angels baseball, WEGP jingle; well over WPLM soft-rock and VT (presumed) C&W. (MC-MA)
- 1400 WDNY NY Dansville - 4/14 1900 - wiping out WWWS groundwave with ToH ID "you're listening to something special, 1400 AM WDNY, serving Dansville and the tri-county area" amid instrumental MOR/nostalgia tunes. (MKB-ON)
- CBG NL Gander - 4/22 2050 - // CBT-540 with segment of "Roxanne" by the Police, CBC program mentioning differences in classical and rock singing styles; mixed with WVAE. (MC-MA)
- 1420 WACK NY Newark - 4/14 0711 - over WHK with baseball and NHL playoff scores, promo for Yankees baseball on "Hometown radio 1420 WACK". (MKB-ON)
- WCED PA Du Bois - 4/14 0719 - under WACK/WHK mix with local news, slogan "everything you need to know is on News-Talk 1420 WCED". (MKB-ON)
- CKDY NS Digby - 4/22 2040 - C&W music over two others (WBSM, WBEC?), het Germany/Algeria-1422. (MC-MA)
- 1430 WPNI MA Amherst - 4/6 1900 - Good, over WXKS; "1430 AM WPNI Amherst, 91.9 WUMB FM Boston, WBPR Worcester, WSPB Falmouth, WNEF Newburyport on 91.7 FM, and streaming live online at wumb.org." (BC-NH)
- 1450 WSNO VT Barre - 4/6 1900 - Fair, over WKTQ; "Central Vermont's talk station, 1450 WSNO Barre, Montpelier," and CBS news. (BC-NH)
- 1470 WJDY MD Salisbury - 5/1 0500 - Fair; callsign jingle, "Timeless 1470 WJDY Salisbury," and nostalgia. (BC-NH)
- 1480 WADR NY Remsen - 4/6 1900 - Good; over WSAR; "Central New York's beautiful music, 1480 WADR Remsen, 1550 WUTQ Utica, just beautiful," and nostalgia. (BC-NH)
- 1500 WWWT DC Washington - 5/1 0155 - with the "World Famous Bill Henry Show". 0159: "WWWT-AM Washington, WWWT-FM Manassas, WWWB-AM Frederick. News, traffic, weather on 3WT" into traffic report. (KK-VA)
- 1510 WLAC TN Nashville - 4/28 0155 - mixing with UNID religious station (which turned out to be WWZN) with "Coast to Coast AM". ToH ID at 0200: "News, talk, traffic, weather and... radio fifteen ten WLAC..." 0206: "You're listening to news radio fifteen ten WLAC". (KK-VA)
- WWZN MA Boston - 4/30 0159 - mixing with WLAC, disclaimer: "The following is a sponsored program. The views and opinions expressed do not necessarily

reflect those of WWZN Boston fifteen ten The Zone or its management". Into "Overcomer Ministry" program. **(KK-VA)**

- 1520 **WWKB** **NY Buffalo** – 4/26 0155 - "Joey Reynolds Show Live from New York". 0159: "CNN News is on AM fifteen twenty brought to you by Paul Williams PLC" and "This is the voice of the new majority WWKB Buffalo". Overall very good. **(KK-VA)**
- 1530 **WCKY** **OH Cincinnati** – 4/25 0259 – "Overcomer Ministry" broadcast. ID at 0259 said at the same time as religious programming: "This is... 50 thousand watts of signal... CKY Cincinnati..." **(KK-VA)**
- 1540 **CHIN** **ON Toronto** – 4/24 0228 – mixing with KXEL, man in EE: "AM fifteen forty and 91.9..." This is CHIN as CHIN uses 91.9 to fill in reception gaps in Toronto as per Wikipedia. "... free around the world at CHIN radio dot com" noted at 0300. **(KK-VA)**
- KXEL** **IA Waterloo** – 4/24 0155 – talk show, mixing with CHIN. At tune in man saying "...entertainment... weekdays at 8 on news, talk fifteen forty KXEL". Limbaugh promo at 0229: "...right after Rush weekdays at 2 on fifteen forty KXEL". **(KK-VA)**
- +++ - 5/1 0500 - Fair, over CHIN with WDCD seemingly off the air; Truck Talk promo, "Iowa's news and talk station, News/Talk 1540 KXEL Waterloo, Cedar Falls," and ABC news. **(BC-NH)**
- 1550 **CBE** **ON Windsor** – 4/20 0158 – fair-poor, mixing with SS station, "You're listening to CBC Radio Overnight and that was Radio Nederland. I'm Pat Shopa. News is next here on CBC Radio One". Unsure if I got Shopa correct. Radio Prague program followed CBC news at 0204. **(KK-VA)**
- 1560 **WQEW** **NY New York** – 4/17 0158 – teen songs, ID in voice that sounded like a child: "... and Radio Disney...favorite music lined-up and ready to play. So, let's go. AM fifteen sixty WQEW New York". Overall fair to good. **(KK-VA)**
- 1570 **WPGM** **PA Danville** – 4/14 0258 – mixing with SS music and C&W station, man with weather report, then "... fifteen seventy AM WPGM Danville.. ". **(KK-VA)**
- +++ - 5/1 0500 - Fair; "...WPGM Danville, and 96.7 FM WPGM-FM Danville." **(BC-NH)**
- 1580 **CKDO** **ON Oshawa** – 4/13 0155 – oldies, ID by man at 0201: You're listening to Oshawa radio station CKDO 107.7 FM and fifteen eighty AM. Celebrating over six decades in Oshawa... CKDO". **(KK-VA)**
- KHGG** **AR Van Buren** – 4/13 0300 – mixing with CKDO and SS talk, noted ToH ID "This is KHGG". **(KK-VA)**
- 1590 **WAKR** **OH Akron** – 4/9 0155 – mixing with SS station, man with "You're listening... fifteen ninety WAKR..." **(KK-VA)**
- WGGO** **NY Salamanca** – 4/9 0159 – man with "You're listening to ESPN Radio fifteen ninety WGGO Salamanca..." into sports scores. Also noted slogan "Your sports leader WGGO...GGO" with echo-type effect. **(KK-VA)**
- 1600 **WFIS** **SC Fountain Inn** – 4/5 0158 – OM "...radio... right here on..." YL "...weekday mornings on... WFIS" into talk on Clintons' tax returns. **(KK-VA)**
- 1610 **CHHA** **ON Toronto** - 5/1 0500 - Good; Voces Latinas ID and instrumental Canada national anthem. **(BC-NH)**
- 1620 **WWLV** **IN South Bend** – 4/2 0211 – OM "...South Bend... love songs..." into "Wild World" by Cat Stevens. (*I thought that since 9/11 Cat Stevens, aka Yusuf Islam, has been virtually banned from U.S. radio playlists. Mike.*) 0215 slogan "...all new love songs. You're listening to the all new..." into "I Can't Help Myself" by the Four Tops. **(KK-VA)**
- 1630 **KCJJ** **IA Iowa City** – 4/1 0159 – "Broadcasting straight from Coralville... sixteen thirty KCJJ Iowa City/Coralville... KCJJ news..." **(KK-VA)**
- KRND** **WY Fox Farm** - 5/1 0500 - Under KCJJ; Mexican grupera vocals. **(BC-NH)**
- 1650 **CJRS** **QC Montreal** - 5/1 0500 - Good; "CJRS 1650 AM, Radio Shalom" followed by ID and web address in FF. **(BC-NH)**
- 1710 **(Pirate)** **MA Boston** – 4/7 2320 – Radio Top Inter in most of the night, at times huge with Caribbean FF and a long set of commercials, often repeated, for local Boston businesses including an African Braid and Beauty Supply store and someplace with Complete Auto Repair. **(RWK-CT)**

International DX Digest

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Foreign DX Catches. All times are UTC

The warm weather has finally made its way back north, and that means the start of another outdoors DXpedition season. Mark Connelly is already in action on the Massachusetts seashore. I've been testing a new setup powering the laptop and RFSpace SDR IQ with a 12V battery and DC to AC converter in preparation for mid-coast Maine camping DXpeditions. Keeping with the travel DX theme, check out the reports from Arizona and Bermuda following this month's logs. Wherever your summer travels take you, don't forget the radio!

Transatlantic DX

- 531 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 7 0350 - Fair; talk parallel 585 kHz. [Conti-NH]
549 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1*, Les Trembles (35°17'N 0°34'W) APR 7 0335 - Good, over Germany (parallel 153 kHz); North African vocals. [Conti-NH] APR 9 0033 - Parallel 890.96 with male Arabic vocal and large orchestra; huge, much stronger than 550 YVKE, WDEV, and WDDZ. [Connelly-MA]
558 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 7 0345 - Fair; talk with synchro echo, parallel a good 585 kHz. [Conti-NH] APR 9 0036 - Spanish talk in bad WGAN slop. [Connelly-MA]
567 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 7 0345 - Poor, over unID music with Ireland off; talk parallel 585 kHz. [Conti-NH] APR 9 0036 - Spanish talk; poor over unID music station (Syria or Italy?). [Connelly-MA]
576 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 9 0037 - Spanish discussion; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
585 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Madrid (40°28'N 3°52'W) APR 9 0038 - Parallel 576 with rock vocal; good. [Connelly-MA]
594 **MOROCCO** *RTM A*, Oujda (34°40'N 1°51'W) APR 9 0040 - Parallel 612 with man in Arabic; over Portugal initially, then to even mix. [Connelly-MA]
594 **PORTUGAL** *R.Renascença*, Muge (39°05'N 8°41'W) APR 7 0340 - Fair; pop music parallel a much weaker 963 kHz. [Conti-NH] APR 9 0041 - Portuguese talk by man; gaining strength, mixing with Morocco. [Connelly-MA]
603 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Lyon-Tramoyes (45°53'N 4°57'E) APR 9 0031 - Parallel 1206 with woman in French; good. [Connelly-MA]
612 **MOROCCO** *RTM A*, Sebaa-Aioun (33°54'N 5°23'W) APR 9 0031 - Arabic newstalk; very good. [Connelly-MA]
621 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros, Santa Cruz de Tenerife et al. APR 9 0043 - Woman in Spanish; good. [Connelly-MA]
639 **SPAIN** *RNE1* La Coruña et al. APR 6 0345 - Good; nostalgic vocals, announcer in Spanish, parallel 585 kHz. [Conti-NH] APR 9 0044 - Talk parallel 621; poor in heavy CBN slop. [Connelly-MA]
657 unID APR 9 0045 - Probably Italy here with opera music not parallel to Spain stations. [Connelly-MA]
666 **PORTUGAL** *RDP1* synchros APR 9 0047 - Parallel 720 with Portuguese vocal; fair. [Connelly-MA]
675 **NETHERLANDS** *R.Maria*, Lopik (52°01'N 5°03'E) APR 9 0026 - Serene folk-style Christian female vocal; to good peaks over WRKO slop. [Connelly-MA]
684 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Sevilla (37°12'N 5°55'W) APR 9 0049 - Man and woman in Spanish; good. [Connelly-MA]
693 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5*, Droitwich et al. APR 9 0025 - Interview with US-accented man about American politics; good. [Connelly-MA]
702 unID APR 9 0050 - Sounded Arabic: Algeria most likely; poor. [Connelly-MA]
711 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Rennes (47°51'N 1°30'W) APR 9 0050 - French audio occasionally popping out of big growl with Western Sahara on 711.05 kHz. [Connelly-MA]
720 **CANARY ISLANDS** *RNE5* Finca España APR 9 0047 - Parallel 621 with woman in Spanish; slightly over Portugal. [Connelly-MA]
720 **PORTUGAL** *RDP1* synchros APR 9 0047 - Parallel 666 with Portuguese vocal; fair, behind RNE. [Connelly-MA]
729 **SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros APR 9 0051 - Spanish talk; in CKAC slop. [Connelly-MA]

- 738 **SPAIN** *RNE1* Barcelona (41°23'N 2°12'E) APR 9 0052 - Two women in Spanish; loud, pushing by adjacent 740 CHCM. [Connelly-MA]
- 747 **CANARY ISLANDS // SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 6 2340 - Good, over presumed Netherlands; telephone talk parallel 774 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- 747 **NETHERLANDS** *Radio 5, Flevoland* (52°23'N 5°25'E) APR 9 0053 - Dutch man and woman; good, dominant. [Connelly-MA]
- 756 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk, Braunschweig & Ravensburg* APR 9 0053 - Classical music; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 765 **SWITZERLAND** *RSR Option Musique, Sottens* (46°39'N 6°44'E) APR 6 0400 - Good; Option Musique jingle, news in French. [Conti-NH] APR 9 0054 - Mellow vocal; to good peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 774 **EGYPT** *Middle East Radio, Abis* (30°45'N 30°57'E) APR 9 0055 - Arabic vocal; under Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 774 **SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros APR 9 0055 - Talk parallel 738; over Egypt. [Connelly-MA]
- 782 **SYRIA** *R.Syria 1, Tartus* (34°55'N 35°52'E) APR 9 0021 - String music and male Arabic vocal; very good, better than the signals on 783 at the time. [Connelly-MA]
- 792 **FRANCE** *France Info, Limoges* (45°56'N 1°10'E) APR 9 0024 - Parallel 1206 with classical music; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 819 **EGYPT** *ERTU Batra* (31°09'N 31°27'E) APR 9 0018 - Arabic discussion (not parallel Moroccans); good. [Connelly-MA]
- 837 **FRANCE** *France Info, Nancy* (48°53'N 6°14'E) APR 6 0400 - Good, over COPE; France Info ID, fanfare, and news. [Conti-NH] APR 9 0017 - Parallel 1206 with man and woman in French; good, dominant. [Connelly-MA]
- 864 **EGYPT** *ERTU Santah* (30°45'N 31°08'E) APR 9 0012 - Huge with a cappella Koranic male vocal; way over France. [Connelly-MA]
- 864 **FRANCE** *France Bleu, Villebon-sur-Yvette* (48°41'N 2°14'E) APR 8 2309 - Parallel 1494 with "September" by Earth, Wind, and Fire; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
- 873 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros APR 9 0015 - Parallel 1116 with teletalk; over unID music station. [Connelly-MA]
- 882 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC R.Wales, Washford* (51°10'N 3°21'W) APR 9 0011 - British talker over COPE Canaries-Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 890.96 **ALGERIA** *Chaîne 1, Algiers* (36°40'N 3°09'E) APR 9 0033 - Parallel 549 with male Arabic vocal and orchestra; huge, demolishing 890 kHz. [Connelly-MA]
- 909 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5 Live* synchros APR 9 0016 - English talk; barely getting around local-like 910 WABI. [Connelly-MA]
- 936 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 9 0013 - Spanish talk parallel other RNE's; poor, slightly over jumble. [Connelly-MA]
- 945 **FRANCE** *France Info, Toulouse* (43°21'N 1°20'E) APR 8 2302 - Parallel 1206 and 1557 with news by woman in French; excellent. [Connelly-MA]
- 954 **SPAIN** *Onda Cero, Madrid* APR 9 0013 - Spanish talk by man and woman; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 981 **ALGERIA** *RTVA Chaîne 2, Algiers* (36°40'N 3°09'E) APR 9 0014 - Arabic vocal; slightly over Portugal and others. [Connelly-MA]
- 981 **PORTUGAL** *R.Renascença* synchros APR 9 0014 - Portuguese talk by woman, teletalk; surfacing through Algeria every so often. [Connelly-MA]
- 999 **SPAIN** *COPE Madrid* (40°28'N 3°52'W) APR 8 2353 - Spanish parallel 1143; about even with unID Arabic station (Morocco or Saudi Arabia). [Connelly-MA]
- 1026 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros APR 9 0008 - Parallel 1044 with vocal; poor to fair in slopover from nulled WBZ. [Connelly-MA]
- 1035 **PORTUGAL** *R.Clube Português, Belmonte* APR 9 0005 - Mellow Portuguese male vocal; to good peak in touchy phase null of WBZ. [Connelly-MA]
- 1044 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros APR 8 2304 - Spanish teletalk; fair in very tight null of WBZ IBOC junk. [Connelly-MA]
- 1044 unID APR 8 2304 - Talk heard under Spain sounded Slavic (or perhaps Greek) rather than Arabic that you'd expect from Morocco. [Connelly-MA]
- 1053 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros APR 9 0003 - Parallel 1089 with British newstalk; fair to good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1062 **DENMARK** *Danmarks Radio, Kalundborg* (55°40'N 11°04'E) APR 8 0355 - Good; Frank Sinatra "My Way." [Conti-NH]
- 1062 **ITALY** *Rai Radiouno* synchros APR 8 0354 - Test tones under Denmark. [Conti-NH]
- 1071 **SPAIN** *Euskadi Irratia, Bilbao* APR 9 0001 - Spanish news; good, in the clear, and far stronger

- than whatever is left on 1070 after the demise of CBA. [Connelly-MA]
- 1089 **UNITED KINGDOM** *TalkSport* synchros APR 9 0003 - News and sports items parallel 1053; strong. [Connelly-MA]
- 1098 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 8 2331 - Spanish newstalk; fair to good, somewhat echoey, other unID stuff under. [Connelly-MA]
- 1107 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 9 0104 - Parallel 1098 with newstalk; good, somewhat less 1107.13 growl than usual. [Connelly-MA]
- 1116 **ITALY** *Rai Radiouno* synchros APR 8 0356 - Test tones under *SER* Spain. [Conti-NH]
- 1116 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros APR 8 2332 - Parallel 1287 with news/commentary; poor to fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1125 **BELGIUM** *RTBF VivaCité*, Houdeng (50°29'N 4°08'E) APR 9 0000 - French news starting with *RTBF* mention and "il est deux heures"; surprisingly loud and dominant. [Connelly-MA]
- 1134 **CROATIA** *Glas Hrvatske*, Zadar (44°06'N 15°15'E) APR 9 0101 - Slavic news; huge, way over Spain and equal to or better than strength of adjacent 1130 WBBR New York. [Connelly-MA]
- 1143 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros APR 8 2353 - Parallel 999 with woman in Spanish. [Connelly-MA]
- 1152 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 8 0100 - Parallel 1098 with news; echoey and over a jumble of others. [Connelly-MA]
- 1161 **SPAIN** *Euskadi Irratia*, San Sebastián APR 9 0059 - Spanish talk; good, blowing by WSKW pest. [Connelly-MA]
- 1170 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** *R.Sawa*, Al Dhabiya (24°11'N 54°14'E) APR 9 0058 - Middle Eastern vocal; good, over WWVA. [Connelly-MA]
- 1179 **CANARY ISLANDS** // **SPAIN** *SER* synchros APR 8 2342 - Spanish vocal; dominant. [Connelly-MA]
- 1179 **ROMANIA** *România Actualitata*, Galbeni-Bacau et al. APR 9 0107 - Parallel 1332 with romantic female vocal; a bit under *SER* Canaries-Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 1188 **GERMANY** *MDR-Info*, Reichenbach APR 8 2356 - The likely source of German sounding talk briefly peaking up here. [Connelly-MA]
- 1196.68 **ANGOLA** *Emissora Provincial de Malanje*, Malanje APR 8 2307 - A bit of talk from this and a fat het-growl against 1197 kHz Spain, UK, etc. [Connelly-MA]
- 1197 **SPAIN** *Euskadi Irratia*, Vitoria APR 8 2307 - Spanish talk; fair with Angola het doing some damage. [Connelly-MA]
- 1206 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Bordeaux (44°57'N 0°11'W) APR 8 2302 - Parallel 945 and 1557 with news by woman in French; excellent/local-like, much stronger than adjacent 1200 WKOX and 1210 VOAR/WPHT. [Connelly-MA]
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Virgin Radio* synchros APR 8 2341 - Discussion of British Telecom; good, over Spain. 2355 Nirvana "Smells Like Teen Spirit"; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1224 **SPAIN** *COPE* synchros APR 8 2354 - Talk parallel 999; in jumble. [Connelly-MA]
- 1233 unID APR 8 2333 - Pop music; poor. Possibly UK or Belgium. [Connelly-MA]
- 1242 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Marseille (43°16'N 5°18'E) APR 8 2333 - Parallel 1206 with woman in French; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1251 **LIBYA** *Libyan Jamahiriya*, Tripoli (32°50'N 13°00'E) APR 8 2349 - Arabic talk; good, overwhelming the 1250 domestics. [Connelly-MA]
- 1278 **IRAN** *IRIB 1*, Kermanshah APR 9 0104 - Tentative; Koranic vocal came up quickly in strength and got loud for a little while. The 200 kW Iranian is suspected. [Connelly-MA]
- 1287 **SPAIN** *SER* synchros APR 8 2332 - Parallel 1116 with Spanish newstalk and a few Morse code letters (!) thrown in as an emphasis effect (as had been used in '50s-era newscasts on US stations); fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1296 **SPAIN** *COPE* Valencia APR 9 0110 - Parallel 999 with Spanish talk and musical interludes; huge. [Connelly-MA]
- 1296 **SUDAN** *SNBC* Reiba (13°34'N 33°32'E) APR 9 0111 - Man in Arabic with apparent sermon in echoey hall; rapidly ascending in strength to roll over Spain. [Connelly-MA]
- 1305 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 8 2331 - Talk parallel 1098, 1314; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- 1314 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 8 2331 - Parallel 1098 with Spanish newstalk; fair over others. [Connelly-MA]
- 1323 **UNITED KINGDOM** unID APR 9 0109 - One of the UK locals here with pop music and apparent English talk; poor. 1323 is a much more viable TA channel now with CKEC gone: other 1320 domestics are of insignificant strength by comparison. [Connelly-MA]
- 1332 **ROMANIA** *România Actualitāti*, Galati (45°25'N 27°54'E) APR 9 0107 - Parallel 1179 with romantic eastern European female vocal; good, about equal to 1330 WRCA. [Connelly-MA]

- 1341 **NORTHERN IRELAND** *BBC Radio Ulster*, Lisnagarvey (54°30'N 6°04'W) APR 8 2331 - English talk; mixed with others (likely *Canaries*, Hungary). [Connelly-MA]
- 1359 **SPAIN** *RNE Arganda del Rey* (40°18'N 3°25'W) APR 8 2331 - Spanish talk; good, about even with 1360 WLYN and WDRC. [Connelly-MA]
- 1368 unID APR 8 2329 - Bits of English pop music, most likely *Manx Radio*; tough WDEA slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1377 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Lille (50°31'N 2°59'E) APR 8 2308 - Parallel 1206 with man in French; smasher-loud, equal to level of non-nulled 1380 WMYF (which V-Soft rates at 71.5 dBu), so a hefty signal indeed from "across the pond." [Connelly-MA]
- 1395 **NETHERLANDS** *Big L*, Trintelhaven (52°38'N 5°25'E) APR 8 2328 - "The Power of Love" by Huey Lewis & the News; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1404 **FRANCE** APR 8 2328 - Tentative; operatic vocal seemed parallel 864 *France Bleu* instead of parallel 1206 *France Info*. [Connelly-MA]
- 1413 **SPAIN** *RNE5* synchros APR 8 2329 - Spanish talk; in WVAE IBOC upper sideband. [Connelly-MA]
- 1422 **ALGERIA** *RTA Algiers* (36°40'N 3°09'E) APR 8 2327 - Blues music, French talk; way over the (parallel 756) German. [Connelly-MA]
- 1431 **DJIBOUTI** *R.Sawa*, Arta (11°31'N 42°50'E) APR 8 2258 - Pop Arabic male vocal with drumming; huge, easily wiping out 1430 WXKS on the car-top Mini-SuperLoop. At 2326 astoundingly loud! [Connelly-MA]
- 1485 **MELILLA** // **SPAIN** *SER* synchros APR 8 2304 - Parallel 1044 with Spanish talk; through 1490 WBAE slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1494 **CORSICA** *France Bleu*, Bastia (42°47'N 9°24'E) APR 8 2309 - Parallel 864 with "September" by Earth, Wind, and Fire; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1512 **CRETE** *ERA Chania* APR 8 2325 - Greek pop/folk vocal; over likely Saudi and others, to good peak clearing WWZN slop much of the time. [Connelly-MA]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA* Duba (27°20'N 35°45'E) APR 8 2247 - Parallel 9555 and 9870 with man and woman in Arabic, then jazz interlude; loud, strongest TA at the time, better than the shortwave parallels. [Connelly-MA]
- 1548 **KUWAIT** *R.Sawa*, Kabd-Kuwait City (29°10'N 47°32'E) APR 8 2325 - Arabic talk; poor in 1550 Algeria slop. [Connelly-MA]
- 1550 **ALGERIA** *RASD* Tindouf-Rabouni (27°29'N 7°49'W) APR 8 2324 - Spanish talk with Saharai mention, then Arabic style guitar music; very good, way over domestics and pretty much taking out 1548 Kuwait. 6300 kHz (usual SW parallel) only had blank or severely-undermodulated carrier. [Connelly-MA]
- 1557 **FRANCE** *France Info*, Fontbonne (43°46'N 7°25'E) APR 8 2302 - Parallel 945 and 1206 with news by woman in French; very good, equal to or better than 1560 WQEW. [Connelly-MA]
MAY 1 0400 - Good but with deep fades, "Bonjour" and alternating man and woman with news. [Conti-NH]
- 1566 **BENIN** *TWR* Parakou MAY 1 0428 - At times loud and clear, otherwise buried in CFAV slop with WQEW nulled; man and woman in African language. 0431 woman with report in English, 0436 contemporary vocal. [Conti-NH]
- 1575 **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES** *R.Farda*, Al Dhabiya (24°11'N 54°14'E) APR 8 2319 - Farsi news/commentary, touch-tone phone beeps; fair to good. 2322 futuristic sci-fi "spacey" sounding synthesized Mideast dance-club music, then *R.Farda* ID; good. [Connelly-MA]
- 1584 **CEUTA** *RadiOlé*, Ceuta (35°53'N 5°17'W) APR 8 2319 - Phone call, presenter said "buenas noches"; good, over *SER*. [Connelly-MA]
- 1602 **SPAIN** *R.Vitoria*, Vitoria, APR 8 2320 - Bob Dylan "Blowin' in the Wind", man in Spanish, then "Walk this Way" by Aerosmith; good, over *SER* and stronger than adjacent WUNR. [Connelly-MA]
- 1611 **ITALY** *R.Vaticana*, Santa Maria di Galeria (41°54'N 12°27'E) APR 6 0430 - Fair; religious choral music, talk in unID language. 0440 choral music, one cycle of interval signal and more music. [Conti-NH]

Pan-American DX

- 550 **VENEZUELA** YVKE Caracas (10°32'N 66°55'W) APR 9 0035 - Some Venezuelan political mentions over the domestics but having a tough time getting by massive 549 Algeria. [Connelly-MA]
- 555 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** ZIZ Basseterre (17°19'N 62°44'W) APR 6 0900 - Good; bbcworldservice.com promo, time pips, World Briefing from the BBC World Service with time check, "It's 9 o'clock GMT." [Conti-NH]
- 560 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Moa MAY 2 0900 - Fair, over WFRB; theme song parallel 670 kHz. [Conti-

- NH]
- 570 **CUBA** CMDC *R.Relej*, Santa Clara (22°24'N 79°56'W) APR 19 0310 - News about Havana, time ticks. [Paszkievicz-WI]
- 640 **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, multiple sites MAY 2 0900 - Good; theme song, "Radio Progreso, cadena nacional, la onda de la alegría..." and chime with time check into La Primera Hora. [Conti-NH]
- 750 **CUBA** CMHV *R.Progreso*, Trinidad (21°48'N 79°59'W) APR 28 0900 - Good, over WSB; theme song with ID, chime with time check and ID into La Primera Hora, parallel 730 also good. [Conti-NH]
- 790 **MEXICO** XENT *R.Fórmula*, La Paz, BCS (24°10'N 110°19'W) APR 24 1210 - XE anthem at 1210, followed by full ID and "Radio Fórmula" slogan. Briefly fair in interference. [Wilkins-CO]
- 800 **MEXICO** XESPN *ESPN Radio*, Tijuana BCN APR 25 1158 - *ESPN* program notes; full ID in Spanish at 1159:50, then back to *ESPN*. All programming was in English except for the ID. New one here, XE #220. [Wilkins-CO]
- 860 **MEXICO** XEMO *La Poderosa*, Tijuana BCN APR 23 1200 - XE music; full ID at 1201, then more music and "La Poderosa" slogans. Fair in interference with 850 KOA IBOC mercifully turned off. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1039.61 **VENEZUELA** YVLB *La Voz de Carabobo*, Valencia (10°08'N 67°57'W) APR 9 0007 - Spanish talk surfacing out of low-side growl against a big 1040 Latin American jumble that seemed to contain the major Brazilian. WBZ phased. [Connelly-MA]
- 1070 **VENEZUELA** YVMA *Mundial Zulia*, Maracaibo APR 9 0001 - Venezuela news items in Spanish most likely this, now the "top dog" on 1070 here with CBA gone (but nowhere near as strong as 1071 Spain). [Connelly-MA]
- 1090 **MEXICO** XEPRS Rancho del Mar-Rosarita BCN (32°24'N 117°05'W) FEB 28 0616 - Man with sports talk. Very poor; interference from 1080 KWAJ and 1098 Marshall Islands carrier. [Park-HI]
- 1190.34 **COLOMBIA** HJCT *La Voz de la Costa*, Barranquilla APR 8 2336 - Perennial off-channel station here with bits of Spanish talk and het against WLIB. [Connelly-MA]
- 1370 **MEXICO** XEGNK *Mariachi Estéreo*, Nuevo Laredo, Tama APR 5 1159 - XE anthem, then sign-on with call letters, address, telephone number, "Mariachi Estéreo" slogan, followed by music. Fair at best; faded after a couple of songs. [Wilkins-CO]
- 1570 **MEXICO** XERF Cd. Acuña APR 19 0342 - Woman taking phone calls, mentioned Mexico, vocals. [Paszkievicz-WI]

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Bruce Conti, Nashua NH; SDR IQ, WR-CMC-30, MWDX-5, 15 x 23-m SuperLoop antennas east with remote variable termination and south 1150-Ω terminated, Monster "PowerStation 300" 12VDC to 120VAC power converter, DieHard deep-cycle 12V battery.

Dale Park, East Honolulu HI; Honda car radio.

Sheryl Paszkiewicz, Manitowoc WI; NRD-515, AOR loop.

John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge CO; Drake R8, 4-foot box loop.

Heard in Green Valley, Arizona, week of April 5-12, 2008

Sheryl Paszkiewicz - Grundig S350, whip antenna.

- 570 unID - Las Calia or La Scalia? Spanish, not even sure if domestic or foreign.
- 610 XEGS *La Ley*, Guasave.
- 640 XEHHI *R.Uno/Número Uno*, Hidalgo del Parral.
- 650 XETNT *La Ley*, Los Mochis.
- 670 XESOS *R.Uno*, Agua Prieta.
- 1130 XEHN *Mariachi Estéreo 1130 AM*, Nogales.
- 1190 unID - Spanish Christian.
- 1700 XEPE Tecate.



BermuDX - DXing in Bermuda by Ross Comeau

RadioShack DX-399, passive loop antenna. Submitted by Mark Connelly

- 555 **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** ZIZ Basseterre APR 23 0013-0016 - BBC news program relayed with BBC ID and discussion of Indonesian land issues. Fair-good.

- 570 **CUBA** CMDC *R.Reloj*, Santa Clara APR 21 0228-0232 - Several *R.Reloj* IDs, constant time pips and some Morse code. Talk by a woman with mentions of Santiago and Cuba. Booming signal!
- 620 **ANTIGUA** St. John's APR 23 0012-0022 - Likely this with English discussion of Pennsylvania primary, but with definite Caribbean accents. Fair.
- 630 **PUERTO RICO** WUNO San Juan APR 23 0115-0134 - Frequent mentions of "Puerto Rico" throughout, doorbell and laser sound affects with talk, mentions of "mucho, latino, programa," and a generally lengthy talk. Despite severe interference from other Spanish speaking stations, managed to nail a clear "NotiUno" ID at 0132, followed by talk. Good-poor, with severe fade ins/outs and interference.
- 640 unID APR 24 0133-0148 - Parallel 630 kHz, Petula Clark with "Downtown," and other pop songs. Mixing badly with several other stations in a real pile up. Fair-poor.
- 660 **NEW YORK** WFAN *The Fan*, New York APR 23 0142 - ID, promos, and ad for Sovereign Bank. Good.
- 680 **PUERTO RICO** WAPA San Juan APR 22 - Spanish talk with numerous mentions of Puerto Rico. Jingle at the hour, mentions of nacional, gracias, and a brief speech was heard. At that point, WRKO took over with a political discussion about the Pennsylvania primary, and the Bruins game. At this point, my wife Sue sent me up to the hotel to get a drink, during which time she was nice enough to listen to the radio, and reported hearing a jazz/blues station underneath WRKO, but no Spanish talk.
- 700 **JAMAICA** *Nationwide News Network*, Hague APR 22 0122-0203 - Man and woman with frequent mentions of Jamaica and a political discussion about the crime problem in Jamaica. The Prime Minister and holding elections were also discussed. An e-mail address of "jamaica@(?).com" was given before the hour, and was followed by a PSA about animals in Jamaica. Fair-good signal.
- 720 **JAMAICA** *Nationwide News Network*, Innswood APR 24 0153-0156 - Presumed; female announcer with talk, "all things work for the best," etc. Fair.
- 740 unID APR 24 0157-0220 - Likely a Colombian or Venezuelan rather than a Cuban, judging by the music (hyper-fast with prominent horns). Mentions of Orlando, Venezuela, central, etc. Mix of fast upbeat music with ballads featuring violins, and an almost progressive rock/early '70s organ based song with impassioned ballad vocals. Some interference from a distant American station. Good. (WQTM Orlando, Florida, another possible candidate here.)
- 790 **FLORIDA** WAXY South Miami APR 21 0243-0250 - "The Ticket, your home for Florida Marlins baseball." Ads for timeshares and Market Pro(1-866-305-1201), and promo for the Kevin Rogers show. Mentioned "27 years serving Southern Florida," and ad urging you to call "Big Mike Bird" at Martell Construction and Development. ID at 0250 into discussion about Willy Mo Pena and abusive fans during a Marlins game. Good-strong signal.
- 800 **NETHERLANDS ANTILLES** PJB *TransWorld Radio*, Bonaire APR 22 0212-0221 - Booming, in Spanish with man: gracias, Dios, muchos, quattros, etc. Signal became choppy around 0220. APR 23 0037-0102 - English religious programming from "Pastor Chuck," and a discussion of God's promises and Leviticus. Piano music at 0055, TWR address of PO Box 388, Bonaire, Netherlands Antilles given. Strong signal.
- 1030 **MASSACHUSETTS** WBZ Boston APR 22 0222 - Bruins-Canadians game, with the latter up 2-0. Strong.
- 1215 **UNITED KINGDOM** *Virgin Radio* synchros APR 21 0205-0218 - Pop music including "I Don't Want to Miss a Thing" by Aerosmith, and talk by male announcer. Fair with moderate noise and much fading.
- 1450 **BERMUDA** VSB1 Hamilton APR 23 0027 - 1940s style of light jazz and 1950s doo wop with female vocalist. Signal came in with FM-like quality (of course).
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** BSKSA Duba APR 23 0004 - Talk in presumed Arabic, with severe het from 1520 WWKB Buffalo. Het was overwhelming, and presumed Saudi station was fair-weak. APR 24 0022-0042 - Not there at all at 0010 check in, then booming signal with Koran at tune in, followed by a drop in signal shortly after. Talk in Arabic with many mentions of Arabiya. No het from 1520 WWKB tonight. Fair.
- 1540 **NEW YORK** WDCD Albany APR 22 0033 - Religious program with excited preaching, discussing a "mixture of light and darkness." Hoping to hear the Bahamas, but found out a few days later that this probably was WDCD in Albany, NY. Fair-poor. APR 24 0130-0132 - Discussion of "the admiral," route66life.com, and a mention of the first female presidential candidate in 1872. After an ad, heard clear WDCD Albany ID. Fair.

Target DX

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DX'ing 'smart', with shared tips and information from NRC members

Hello from the Great White North. I have been chosen as the new editor for the Target DX Column, and I hope that you will be patient with me as you help me shape this column. It will be you, the readers, that make this column a good source of information, that all DX'ers can use to hear new stations.

I would like to introduce myself to the readers of this column by letting you know a bit about myself in this first column. I am 55 years old and have been married to my wife Helen for almost 35 years. We have 2 grown children and were recently blessed with the birth of our first grand-daughter. As well as being married for 35 years I have been employed by Manitoba Hydro for 35 years. Currently I am the supervisor of Mailing Services at the corporate Head Office.

On the DX side of life I started way back in February of 1971. There was a high school Ham radio club that I became associated with. I never did get my license but got bitten by the DX bug and have never recovered. Over my DX career I have listened to all forms of radio from Longwave to Medium-wave to Shortwave to VHF and UHF. At the present time my DX revolves around BCB, FM, and TV DX as well as some Longwave and Tropical band DX'ing.

I count myself lucky to have 3 very good radios. For DX'ing above 30 MHz I have an ICOM ICR-7000 that has all the options on board. This is a story in itself with the radio and accessories coming from Canada, the USA and Belgium. For the lower bands I use both a Drake R8 and my trusty ICOM ICR-70. The ICOM was bought new in 1982. It has been modified for BCB and Longwave DX'ing with an FL44A filter and a rare PLAM board both of which have helped me log many new stations. As for antennas I have a 150 foot outdoor longwire, a 100-foot indoor wire running around my basement, a 4 foot box loop, an old original Quantum loop, and finally a discone for my VHF/UHF DX'ing.

This is not my first column for a DX publication. I have edited columns for CIDX and IRCA, as well as having articles published in ODXA, NRC, and *Popular Communications*. The crowning achievement in regards to writing came when NRC published my DX'Pedition Handbook in 1994. I am also the person behind the AMANDX web pages at:

<http://www.angelfire.com/mb/amandx/index.html> AMANDX Pages

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Well enough about your editor, and now for the column. I would like to make this column work for you the reader. I see this as a team effort with me taking all the information you good folks send me and shape it into a useful and informative column. I would hope that the information would make your DX'ing experience more enjoyable and that your station count would grow.

Target DX'ing is what has been called "Smart DX'ing". Any DX'er can set up a target list for him- or herself. The list can take many forms, but I will give you a link to see the target list I use. You can see and download my Excel Target Sheet at:

http://www.angelfire.com/mb/amandx/Targets_Master.xls Target Sheet Form

The sheet is a simple one, and you can modify it to meet your needs or for that matter start your own sheet. I keep my Target Sheet at my listening station and I try for the targets when I am DX'ing. If you need a paper copy I can mail you one if you send along your address.

The idea behind the targets is to be a Smart DX'er. Instead of you just tuning around the band hoping to hear something new, you would use your list to check certain frequencies at certain times of the day or for that matter time of year. By targeting your listening you will find that you will get more new stations in the same amount or less listening time. This will work not only for domestic DX'ing but also foreign DX'ing.

As an example if I have a station targeted in Arizona I can tell you that my best bet is the winter or spring at Sun Rise Skip (SRS). There is no use tuning that station at night or at Sun Set Skip (SSS) as there is almost no chance of hearing them at those times.

There are also what can be called "Indicator Stations" or "Beacon Stations". These are stations that you may hear from time to time from certain parts of the country or continent. If you are hearing this Indicator or Beacon station then you will know that that particular area is coming in to your area. You can then look at your list and know that you have a better chance at receiving your target station.

Finally (at least for now) there is a group of stations that you might call Good Timing Targets. These are stations that for various reasons "get out" better at certain times of the month or year.

If you were to send in these targets others can see what you are doing. My hope is that we can build a database of information to share with each other. You can send in your targets or send in information that you feel would help other DX'ers.

I cannot emphasize enough that this is not a column for just long-time or veteran DX'ers. I see the idea behind the column as helping DX'ers from the novice to the veteran. In fact the novice should benefit even more from this Target DX method. The person new to the hobby will have an excellent tool to use to up their stations heard totals faster and easier.

So with all that said, I invite each of you to send in your information to me and let us see what we can build together to make the hobby more fun and get those station totals up. I promise to listen to all comments both positive and negative to shape this column so it supplies you the reader with what you need. You can contact me by email or via my mailing address as it appears above.

Thanks for your time and I look forward to you inputs.

73 Shawn

Musings of the Members

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Times are local per Muse; submit double-spaced only.

Thoughts from NRC members ... the opinions expressed in this column are those of the individual writer and do not necessarily reflect those of the editors, publishers, or the National Radio Club, Inc.

Eric Hopkins – Ayer, MA

Hello, everyone; I know the Musings have been a bit slow going lately, and since MW DX is fairly new to me, and the wealth of the knowledge and experience of all of you is readily available to me, I've decided to solicit your assistance and perhaps generate even more member Musings in the process. During at least two DX sessions (11-27-2006 and again on 3-21-2008) I encountered an unidentified transmission on 1560 kHz (definitely NOT electrical interference) continuously broadcasting audio which resembles that of the lud bussing of an electric razor. When it occurs it completely overwhelms WQEW's 50,000-watt signal at my QTH. Unless the signal is WQEW? Has anyone else been hearing this signal? If so, will someone please enlighten me as to the origin and purpose of these transmissions? Could this be some sort of Jammer? Also, the AM Log 28th Edition lists both C*1 FF:KID (?? -pls.) and 1690 CJLO. Has anyone ever logged these or know if they ever signed on? My thanks to everyone including Dan Sheedy for the interesting insight in his Musing (V75 #24) in response to my first Musing (V75 #20). 73. (Eric – seems that I remember someone on the NRC listserv mentioning that an IBOC station, perhaps WQEW, actually broadcasting a similar sound because of a switching error at the station. Perhaps someone who lives within WQEW's pattern can confirm the times that you've listed, too -pls.)

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As we come to the end of another season, this one was somewhat lackluster to me. I would've preferred some auroral activity to bring in more of the Southern signals. The highlight was finally getting WNAX-570 in October. The low light, of course, is the all-night IBOC mess. Now here's the ultimate in DXing. Have you ever let your mind run wild and imagined picking up a station from planet Xenon circling star A208 50 light years away? Right now a super antenna is being built in Southern Australia to do just that, called the Murchison Wide Field Array or (MWA). Previously the search for intelligent communications from alien beings was being done in the 1 Ghz range. This endeavor plans to monitor the frequencies in the VHF range for "unintentionally sent signals", in other words signals from broadcast stations that may be way out there. Talk about the ultimate catch! The chances of such a reception is a long shot, but who knows. Completion of the array is slated for 2009. The preliminary range of the array is projected to be about 75 light years for signals of 200 megawatts of strength. You can see an extensive 4-page article about this in the May 2008 *Astronomy* magazine which should be on newsstands when you are reading this, or visit your local library. I wonder if they have IBOC up there ... ?

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Plan to arrive early enough on Friday to take part in studio tour that afternoon, with a pizza dinner being served in the meeting room that night. The grand opening will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday with a presentation about the history of Pittsburgh rounding out the evening.

Saturday morning will feature a tour of the Heinz History Center at 9 a.m., and you are invited to buy lunch at the Sports Rock Café if you wish. There will be transmitter tours in the afternoon for those who wish to get out and see what broadcasting in Pittsburgh is all about, and then, at 5 p.m., the annual group photograph at the hotel. And, of course, there will be lots of time to sit and chat about DX'ing with other club members in the Hospitality Room.

The banquet this year will be in the Greenery Restaurant right there at the hotel. A business meeting will follow, and then the world-famous auction will round out the evening.

Sunday will open with the annual NRC DX Examination, and then, at 11 a.m., we'll depart for a boat ride to PNC Park, home field of the Pittsburgh Pirates, via the Gateway Clipper Fleet. The game that afternoon is against the Milwaukee Brewers at 1:35; tickets are \$14 each, and please reserve yours by letting John know that you plan to attend. Seats will be behind home plate on the 3rd level.

Back at the hotel, the Hospitality Room will re-open around 5 o'clock -- WNRC should be on the air by then and we'll sit and chat until everyone is talked out. The convention will end on Sunday evening.

Now, here's what to do:

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2. Convention Registration is \$45 and that includes the pizza party, the banquet, soft drinks and munchies during the three days in the Hospitality Room and, weather permitting, a trip to the history center.
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