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DX Test: WNDB-1150 Daytona Beach FL will conduct a DX test on Saturday, December 7 beginning at 0100 ELT. Programming will consist of voice announcements alternating with Morse code IDs at 5 words per minute. The test will use the station's 1 kW non-directional facilities. Test arranged by Bobby Gray, Director of Engineering, following recent antenna system upgrading. Reports via regular mail (with return postage) to WNDB Test, Attn: Bobby Gray, 126 W. International Speedway Blvd., Daytona Beach, FL 32114. E-mail reports will be accepted at bobbygray@engineer.com. MP3 files are fine and will be accepted. Those hearing the test may call (on your dime) on the studio line: (386) 239-0033. Via Wayne Heinen.

<u>Fybush Tower Calendar</u>: Scott Fybush's 2014 Tower Calendar is now available for sale, online at <u>store.fybush.com/store</u>. For more info, see page 11.

<u>Come Socialize with Us</u>: The NRC is on Facebook and Twitter! Social media is yet another way to keep in touch with NRC members, share DX tips, and spread the hobby – and the news about what the NRC has to offer to a broader public. Looking for more information? See page 8.

<u>Unreported Stations</u>: Every week, it seems, we have one more station reported to DDXD for the first time since Volume 67. This week it's WVGG-1440. But we still have 533 to go. You can hear one, right? So report it! See e-DXN for the latest version of the list.

NRC/WTFDA Convention 2014: Bids are being accepted for the 2014 NRC/WTFDA annual convention. For information, contact Ernie Wesolowski at NEErnieW@YAHOO.COM

or 13312 Westwood Ln. Omaha, NE 68144. Ernie can help you evaluate the practical aspects of hosting a convention so that if you decide to make a formal bid you'll have what you need to make that decision.

Membership Report

"Thanks for the continued efficient service provided by *DX News.*" – John Campbell, London, England.

New Members – Welcome to David Brower, Colorado Springs, CO, and John Sims, Thaxton, VA.

Renewing Members – Thanks to the continued participation and support of Ralph Brandi; John Campbell; Jeff Falconer; Harold B. Frodge; Jerry Kiefer; Paul V McDonough; Gary Nuthals; Douglas E. Orf; Paul Snider; Bruce Wickert.

<u>From the Publisher</u>: David B. Jones calls with a last minute tip that his local WAMB-1200 has been running all night with day power and seems to be widely heard. There are a bunch of DXpeditions underway at press time, and hopefully we'll have reports to publish here in *DX News* soon ... along with your loggings and tips! Right?

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No	<u>In By</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>In By</u>	<u>Date</u>
9	Nov. 15	Nov. 25	20	Feb. 7	Feb. 17
10	Nov. 22	Dec. 2	21	Feb. 14	Feb. 24
11	Nov. 29	Dec. 9	22	Feb. 21	Mar. 3
12	Dec. 6	Dec. 16	23	Mar. 7	Mar. 17
13	Dec. 13	Dec. 23	24	Mar. 21	Mar. 31
14	Dec. 27	Jan. 6	25	Apr. 11	Apr. 21
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19	Jan. 31	Feb. 10	30	Sept. 5	Sept. 15



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AM Switch

Info to David Yocis – 1245 13th St. NW #105, Washington DC 20005 – NRCDXNews@gmail.com

No call letter changes from the FCC this week, but some other news of note:

NEW STATION WATCH

CP for new station completed and moving towards licensing:

1380 KVSM CA Santa Maria – Applies for license to cover CP for new station, U2 650/500. CPs expired and deleted from the database:

1240 CP AZ Prescott – CP for new station expired and deleted, was for U1 1000/1000.

CHANGES TO EXISTING STATIONS

Construction permits completed and moving towards licensing:

1150 KRMS MO Osage Beach – Applies for license to cover CP for U1 840/55 (now U1 1000/55) and for STA to operate with the CP facilities.

Federal Communications

Commission

Applications for new CPs:

1330 WWRV NY New York – Applies for U4 10000/10000 (now U4 10000/5000) from a new site, diplexing with WZRC-1480.

Applications to amend CPs:

1580 KGAL OR Lebanon – Licensed for U3 1000/1000 with a CP for U4 7500/1000, now applies to amend the CP to U2 5000/1000.

Amendments to applications for CPs:

1310 WRSB NY Canandaigua – Licensed for U4 1000/1000, had applied for U4 2500/1000, now amends application to U4 2100/1000.

1340 KRLV NV Las Vegas – Licensed for U1 1000/1000, had applied for U1 1000/920 from a new site, now amends application to U1 1000/880.

1380 KRCM TX Shenandoah – Licensed for U1 2800/60, has a CP for U4 22000/50 and an application to modify the CP to U5 22000/67, now amends application to U5 22000/43.

SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

1280 WFAU ME Gardiner – Granted STA for U1 5000/1250; pattern switcher problems.

1330 KTCK TX Dallas – Granted STA to operate with reduced daytime power due to pattern trouble, believed to result from arcing problems in the phasor cabinet; currently operating with U4 15000/5000.

Applications to extend existing STAs were <u>received</u> from WNSR-560 Brentwood TN (U1 1125/75 from night transmitter site); WMEN-640 Royal Palm Beach FL (higher power due to Cuban QRM); WGFP-940 Webster MA (temporary longwire antenna); WFTL-850 West Palm Beach FL (U4 50000/20000); KWKH-1130 Shreveport LA (U1 50000/12500); WSUA-1260 Miami FL (pattern out of tolerance); and KYYW-1470 Abilene TX (U1 5000/250).

Previously reported applications to extend existing STAs were granted to KWAI-1080 Honolulu HI; KBBO-1390 Yakima WA.

SILENT STATIONS

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

580 KZMX SD Hot Springs – Silent since 4/26, back on the air 10/29.

930 WEZZ AL Monroeville – Silent since 11/8/2012, back on the air 11/5.

1060 KIPA HI Hilo – Silent since 11/20/2012, back on the air 11/5.

1180 KORL HI Honolulu – Silent since 12/31/2012, back on the air 10/5 at 1630 local time.

1370 WPAZ PA Pottstown – Silent since 11/14/2012, back on the air 11/1. (Per Dave Schmidt, it's got WORD-FM programming, REL, not using night power.)

1490 KFCR SD Custer – Silent since 4/26, back on the air 11/4.

KYZS TX Tyler – Silent since 9/19, back on the air 11/5.

1600 WXMY VA Saltville – Silent since 10/23/2012, back on the air 10/21.

Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:

1330 KMBI WA Spokane – Silent 11/5 after vandalism and burglary at transmitter site, "resulting in key equipment being damaged and stolen."

AUXILIARY FACILITIES

780 WBBM IL Chicago – Applies for CP to use U1 12500/12500 from the WSCR-670 transmitter site as an auxiliary transmission facility.

COORDINATE CORRECTION

1240 WPAX GA Thomasville – Applies for CP to correct coordinates to 30-50-13/83-58-45.

THE NEWS FROM CANADA

830 CKKY AB Wainwright – Just to confirm prior report, AM signal did indeed go dark 10/23 immediately upon launch of 101.9 MHz FM, no usual 90-day simulcast.

990 CBAO NB St. Stephen – LPRT granted CP to move to 88.1 MHz FM.

For "financial and strategic" reasons, the new AM stations in Montreal on 600 (NWS/TLK in English) and 940 (NWS/TLK in French) that were supposed to sign on this fall will now launch in the summer or fall of 2014. The new 850 SPT station in French will sign on at the same time, giving the common owner of the three licenses more flexibility to obtain financing and sell advertising with all three signals rather than just two. (*La Presse*, Montréal, via Dan Sys via Shawn Axelrod)

Dan Sys also reports on the November 6 CRTC hearing on the license of CJMS-1040. Apparently the station owner testified that he thought his father had mailed in all the CRTC filings and responses to CRTC inquiries over the past year, but he has now understood that his father is suffering from dementia. And he's found a buyer for the station. But the CRTC doesn't generally allow license sales when a station has had significant compliance issues, which has been the case for CJMS for a number of years. CRTC decisions usually follow a month or two after hearings, so we should get word by the end of the year.

AM RADIO LOG UPDATES

Via Wayne Heinen, some more *Log* updates:

- **TX** Universal City Format Question: Does anyone know for sure if this is now back to fulltime SS:MEX, switching from SS:SPT ESPN Deportes? Brought up by (GH).
- **810** WRSO FL Orlovista Adds // W226BT-93.1.
 - WSYW IN Indianapolis-Format to SS:XMAS (ex-SS:NOS).
- 850 WKVL TN Knoxville Network to RA/DR; adds // WNFZ-94.3.
- 910 KMTT WA Vancouver Format to SPT (ex-ROCK); slogan to "Sports 910," nets to CS/Jr.
- 920 WCHR NJ Trenton Format to TLK/SPT (ex-TLK); networks to DR/FSR.
- 960 KLTF MN Little Falls Add network Li (Linden Farms Network).
- **1110 WSFW NY Seneca Falls** Network to CSN (Calvary Satellite Network).
- **1140 WLOD TN Loudun** Networks to RA/DR.
- **1150** KLPF TX Midland New Group: // Guadalupe Radio-1150.
- **1240 KMHI ID Mountain Home** Slogan to "CSN International"; network to CSN (Calvary Satellite Network).
- **1270 WQTT OH Marysville** Delete // WDLR-1550.
- 1280 WTMY FL Sarasota Format to NOS (ex-SPT); delete slogan and network. (TK)
- **1290 WZTI WI Greenfield** Format to XMAS (ex-NOS).
- 1300 WFFG FL Marathon Format to SS (ex-NWS/TLK); slogan to "Radio Martí," delete nets.
 - **KOLY SD Mobridge** Slogan to "America's Best Music," add network WW1.
- **1310 CIWW ON Ottawa** Format to NWS/TLK/SPT (ex-NWS), slogan to "1310 News" and "The Fan"; adds // CJCL-590 at times.
- **1340** KIJV SD Huron Slogan to "Tiger 95."
- **1370 WGCL IN Bloomington** Format to TLK (ex-TLK/SPT); drop networks ESPN/Mt and add BNN and DR (Dave Ramsey).
 - **WPAZ PA Pottstown** Format to REL (ex-Silent). (BD)
- **1390** KLGN UT Logan Format to XMAS (ex-NOS).
- 1400 WJMX SC Darlington Delete // W250BJ-97.9.
- **1420 KUJ WA Walla Walla** Format to TLK/SPT (ex-TLK/OLD) to clarify previous listing, drops CM (True Oldies) and adds CS (CBS Sports) weekends.
- **1450** KVSL AZ Show Low Adds // K300CL-107.9.
 - WHLS MI Port Huron Format to XMAS (ex-OLD).
 - WRCO WI Richland Center Adds // WRCO-FM-100.9.
- **1490 WCSS** NY Amsterdam Format to OLD (ex-AC/TLK), slogan to "True Oldies," networks to A/CM.
- **1510 WQQW IL Highland** Format to SS:MEX (ex-C&W/TLK), slogan to "La Ke Buena 1,510 de AM," delete networks. (GH)
- **1540 KEDA TX San Antonio** Adds // K272EK-102.3.
- **1550 WDLR OH Delaware** Format to SS:MEX (ex-OLD), slogan to "La Jefa," delete networks, delete // WQTT-1270.
- **1560 WRIN IN Rensselaer** Format to C&W (ex-NOS), slogan to "The Bear Country 1560."
 - WWYC OH Toledo Add network CSN (Calvary Satellite Network).

1570 WPTW OH Piqua – Format to OLD (ex-AC/OLD); slogan to "True Oldies," add net CM.

1590 KVTA CA Ventura – Adds // K290CB-105.9.

WHLX MI Marine City – Format to XMAS (ex-OLD).

1620 KSMH CA West Sacramento – New Group: // IHR Sacramento.

New Network

CSN – Calvary Satellite Network.

New Groups

Guadalupe Radio-1150 – KLPF-1150, KJMA-89.7, K296GK-107.1. IHR Sacramento – KSMH-1620, KPJP-89.3, K273CI-102.5.



Group Changes

Swagga 94.1 105.9 becomes Swagga 94.1 97.9 105.9, adding W250BJ-97.9 along with previously listed WRZE-94.1, W290CD-105.9, and WWRK-970.

Wayne says: Thanks to Shawn Axelrod, Bill Hale, Terry Krueger (TK) Glenn Hauser (GH), Ben Dangerfield (BD), [NRC-AM] list, and IRCA's DX Monitor.

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U.S./Canadian Loggings from Pacific/Mtn/Central Time Zones. All times ELT.

REPORTERS

BD-WI Bill Dvorak, Madison, WI. Drake R8B, Double Kaz antenna bearing 280 degrees, reversible to 100 degrees

DBJ-TN David B Jones, Nashville, TN. Drake R8B, Quantum QX Loop Plus

FO-OK GH-OK Glenn Hauser, Enid, OK. Mostly DX-398 with internal antenna only; or Sony SRF-59 as specified; Nissan stock car radio as specified; FRG-7 as specified. Glenn's complete reports, with extensive commentary, are originally published in *DX Listening Digest*

JDS-MN Jeff Steffes, Watertown, MN. Drake R8, Kenwood R-2000, Quantum Phaser, Quantum QX Loop v 2.0, 80' Longwire N-S

JJR-WI John J. Rieger, So. Milwaukee, WI. Icom IC-R75, Kiwa loop, MFJ-959B tuner, preamp

JR-OK John Reed, Shawnee, OK. JRC NRD-525 with Pühler roofing filter, homebrew tuned loop, Clifton Labs active whip

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

NK-IL Neil Kazaross, Barrington IL. Perseus and Broadside Double KAZ Array aimed west

RD-NE Rick Dau, South Omaha, NE. Kenwood R-5000, Quantum QX Pro loop

DX Logs

530 CIAO ON Brampton – 11/6 2226 – Fair with chatter by female in unknown language ... had to look it up on CIAO's website to find out that it was Urdu. Matched it up with CIAO's webstream, which was 5 seconds behind. I'd never heard of Urdu before, had no idea who even speaks it. Thank goodness for Wikipedia! (RD-NE)

600 WMT IA Cedar Rapids – 11/2 0826 – Traffic chopper report on a Saturday morning from Iowa? WMT Cedar Rapids then plugging some show which they have just moved to KMJM 1360. Own joint ID for 600 with 95.7 FM (which is KOSY-FM per NRC), says they run an anti-Obamacare spot at the top and bottom of each hour – what a public service!! (GH-OK)

650 CKOM SK Saskatoon – 11/6 0726 – Fair @20/9! Un-nullable! Calls, sports, 20 minutes later WSM back to normal. (**JJR-WI**)

670 KHGZ AR Glenwood – 11/7 0059 – Poor to fair in WSCR null, with CBS Sports Radio programming, promos and legal ID. Used slogan "Hog call All Sports Radio" // K255BH 98.9. This is a 5kw daytimer on late tonight (there have been postings on the various lists by DXers hearing it at night recently, and I am

- grateful that tonight was my turn). NEW, only my seventh station on 670. Used the Quantum QX Pro loop for this one. **(BD-WI)**
- 790 KFYO TX Lubbock 11/7 2005 Out of commercials "This is KFYO news update." followed by news and weather report. Into "Mark Levin on Seven-Ninety KFYO." Followed by *The Mark Levin Show*. (JDS-MN)
- **800 CKLW ON Windsor** 11/7 1949 During break from hockey play-by-play. Local news ending with "AM Eight-Hundred news time Seven-Fifty-Two." Followed by weather with "current temp in Windsor 6 Celsius, 43 Fahrenheit." (**JDS-MN**)
- **800 CHAB SK Moose Jaw** 11/6 0723 Poor but over anything. "800 CHAB" various temps, time. Oldies. **(JJR-WI)**
- 810 WGY NY Schenectady 11/7 1935 Out of US Forest Service commercial. Syracuse basketball opens the 2013 season against Cornell tomorrow at 6:30 here on Eight-Ten and One-O-Three point One WGY." (JDS-MN)
- **820 WBAP TX Fort Worth** 11/7 1851 "News talk Eight-Twenty AM and Ninety-Nine point Five WBAP." Followed by *The Mark Levin Show*. (**JDS-MN**)
- 830 WCCO MN Minneapolis 11/6 0147 With guest from http://www.astronomy.com/ison about viewing the comet, best late in November. I have to null cheating WFNO Norco LA and its Mexican music to hear WCCO in the clear at night. WCCO show I think is also on KMOX, other CBS stations, originating in Boston? (GH-OK)
- 840 WHAS KY Louisville 11/7 1846 Commercials for AT&T Digital Life, and Genesis Diamonds, followed by "Eighty-Four WHAS covering the issues. Depend on it. News radio Eighty-Four WHAS." (JDS-MN)
- **KAAN** MO Bethany 11/1 0832 I find something else with WWL nulled: classic rock, mentions "103.7, America's" something. Per NRC-AM log the only match is: KAAN, 930 watts ND, also on K279AP 103.7, "American's [sic] Greatest Hits." KAAN's November sunrise is 1300 UT, while in October it was 1230, so apparently thinks it's still October. It does have a PSRA of 500 watts, but only in Dec and Jan, 10 watts in April, otherwise none, all limited by WWL. Bethany is in NW MO on I-35, 30 miles south of Iowa, and uncomfortably close to Maryville. **(GH-OK)**
- 910 KCJB ND Minot 11/5 0738 Fair @20/9 -Loud + steady. "91 Country KCJB" after ag report for Dakota ?? Co-operative. Rarely makes it here. Usual: WFDF. (JJR-WI)
- **920 WMPL** MI Hancock 11/5 1841 Briefly up in KYFR null with Hancock Bulldogs vs. L'Anse Purple Hornets volleyball in Class C district tournament action. CLs and local ad break heard at 1844. Confirmed via webstream. First AM catch from the Michigan UP at this QTH. (**RD-NE**)
- **920 KYST TX Texas City** 11/4 0120 Soft-spoken Spanish preacher looping NNW/SSE; of the SD, TX and LA stations along this path, the SS one is KYST Texas City (Houston) TX, listed talk format with 5/1 kW. Day and night patterns also favor us NNW/SSE so strange I haven't heard this before. **(GH-OK)**
- **940 WCPC MS Houston** 10/27 1929 Good with conclusion of *Word of Truth* REL broadcast, then ID: "Thank you for listening to AM 940 WCPC, Houston, Mississippi." Logging #10 from Ole Miss at this QTH. **(RD-NE)**
- **1010 KIND KS Independence** 10/24 2223 Good with "Break On Through" by the Doors, ID as KIND, mention of 94.9 FM. **(RD-NE)**
- 1010 WMOX MS Meridian 10/28 2130 Weak, fading in/out with Meridian area ads. (JR-OK)
- **1010 CBR AB Calgary** 10/25 2205 Canadian news and weather, fading in/out with ID "CBC Radio One" with location as Calgary. New here. **(JR-OK)**
- **1030 KBUF KS Holcomb** 10/30 2150 Call ID, ag news then Dave Ramsey talk session. Good signal. New here. **(JR-OK)**
- 1030 WGSF TN Memphis 10/25 2337 Good on peaks with promo in SS for Nov. 1st concert in Memphis featuring a Christian group from Guatemala. "Radio Ambiente." ID and ranchera music heard a few minutes later. Confirmed via webstream. (RD-NE)
- 1050 KSIS MO Sedalia 11/2 0155 Ad with 870-area code phone number, which better not be toll-free. Loops NW/SE, or close to that, with XEG nulled; then C2CAM, probably but not certainly from same station. 870 wraps around most of Arkansas, not including LR and the center and not including the west. The nearest 1050 station is in the center, but maybe close enough: KJBN (North) Little Rock, 1000/19/64 watts per NRC AM Log, but format REL:AC would

- seem to exclude C2CAM. Yes, the only 1050 on C2CAM roster is KSIS in Sedalia/Sikeston MO; in Little Rock on some FM station. (GH-OK)
- 1060 WHFB MI Benton Harbor-St. Joseph 11/4 2126 Even with KYW with "Free Talk Live" program // WIMS-1420. Confirmed by the WIMS webstream, which about 1 minute behind. Tipped off to this by Ottawa, ON DXer Barry McLarnon, who said that WHFB just recently returned to the air after being silent for a while. (RD-NE)
- **1070 KILR IA Estherville** 11/6 1756 Good on sunset skip with ad for Farm Bureau Insurance agent in Estherville, then ad for BankPlus with locations in Estherville, Graettinger, and Swea City. **(RD-NE)**
- **1070 WDIA TN Memphis** 11/3 0805 Soul music from E/W is atop KLIO Wichita, until the latter surges ESPN Deportes at 1306. Presumably WDIA Memphis TN, on 50 kW day power, although pattern is extremely unfavorable aiming south, while 5 kW night pattern has no major lobe this way either. Active website shows "Heart & Soul of Memphis" http://www.mywdia.com/main.html which converts to UC:AC format in NRC AM Log with no slogan shown. **(GH-OK)**
- **1080 WNWI IL** Oak Lawn 11/2 0744 Fair to good with phone conversation in Polish between two males. Legal ID in EE at 0659: "This is WNWI, Oak Lawn-Chicago, 1080 Radio" (RD-NE)
- **1090 KAAY AR Little Rock** 11/3 0809 Very heavy 4 Hz SAH between KAAY with ID during gospel music, vs. Catholic mass from 8 kW EWTN outlet KEXS Excelsior Springs MO (near Kansas City), which holds up well into daylight here. **(GH-OK)**
- 1090 WTNK TN

 Hartsville 11/6 2335 Faded in and out for a good long while under KAAY with classic country from the likes of Ronnie Milsap, John Michael Montgomery, Don Williams, Reba McIntire, Garth Brooks, and others. At 0053, right after Willie Nelson's "City of New Orleans" (my all-time favorite country song), I FINALLY snagged an ID: "Your hometown station, 1090 WTNK." (RD-NE)
- **1130 KTCN MN Minneapolis** 10/31 2220 Fading in/out with talk on dog adoptions and location as Minneapolis. New here. **(JR-OK)**
- 1130 KQRR OR Mount Angel 10-28 2126 Fair, presumed in mix with Russian talk and church music. (NK-IL)
- **1140** KHTK CA Sacramento 10/28 2128 Good; peaks atop with local traffic report during break in sports talk. (NK-IL)
- **1140 KNAB CO Burlington** 10/27 2014 Good with John Denver's "Back Home Again;" then sign off announcement over a quiet acoustic guitar solo. **(RD-NE)**
- 1140 KRMP OK Oklahoma City 11/01 0824 1-kW ND daytimer, KRMP OKC is dominant already, black-orientated talk show, interview with musician; 0825 ad for OKC's *Black Chronicle* newspaper. Trouble is, official FCC sunrise in Nov is not until 0900 (1300 UT); but even in October it was 0830. Even compliant stations often mess up on the first day of the month, forgetting to change their SR/SS operational times. It won't be until DST goes off Nov 3 that KRMP will be entitled to start at 7 am local CST. Well, it does have a PSRA limited by XEMR, of SIX WATTS in August thru April, ballooning to 10 watts in May & July and a hefty 17 watts in June. This is no 6 watts. (GH-OK)
- 1180 WHAM NY Rochester 11/2 0628 Two male announcers talking sports. Into commercials for Monroe Auto Repair, Anderson Windows, and Mathews and Fields in Rochester. Followed by "Rochester's news, weather, and traffic station is WHAM Eleven-Eighty. It's Six-Thirty." Followed by news. (JDS-MN)
- 1190 KQQZ MO De Soto 11/2 0639 NEW. Out of country song by female artist "Country legends, The all-new Eleven-Ninety KQQZ." Then back to music. (JDS-MN)
- **1200 WOAI TX San Antonio** 11/02 0646 Commercial for Total Transformation followed by spot for WOAI Cares. Into program: *The Wall Street Journal This Morning*. (**JDS-MN**)
- **1220 WLPO** IL LaSalle 11/2 0659 NEW. Out of spot for local charity fund raiser "This is your news and talk from the valley. AM Twelve-Twenty, and FM One-O-Three, and your mobile device too. WLPO AM and FM." Followed by news. (JDS-MN)
- **1220 WSLM IN** Salem 11/1 0102 Since KGWA 960 is not in a Fox-hole tonight, find a dominant signal here with a string of local ads, PSAs for YMCA, Tru-Value, car dealer, 812-area codes, mentions southern Indiana, "Kentuckiana," WSLM



ID, "Your Classic Hits." Some ads are obviously outdated, implying that September and even August are in the future. Where's 50 kW WHKW Cleveland? Never much from it here with its N/SSE pattern. NRC Pattern Book shows WSLM aims slightly clockwise from east/west, night power 82 watts, yeah, right, vs. day power 5000. At 0201 recheck, ABC News, 0202 ad break includes jamboree in southern Indiana, or rather Kentuckiana; 0206 ID for 97.9 and "1220 AM WSLM Country"; now there is some Mexican music CCI from presumed XEB, sounding like less than 100 kW; anyhow a notable achievement by WSLM. Perpetual het on high side with DF fitting usual off-frequency source, KMVL Madisonville TX, 11 watts night, yeah, right. Or is that really from its experimental co-channel booster KM2XVL in Huntsville TX, also allegedly 11 watts? (GH-OK)

1240 KNEM MO Nevada – 10/26 2149 – Atop with ad for a sporting goods store in Nevada, then back into Univ. of Missouri football with play by play by longtime Tigers voice Mike Kelly // KMBZ-980 and KWTO-560. **(RD-NE)**

1250 WGL IN Fort Wayne – 11/2 0715 – NEW. Song: Come and Get Your Love, *Redbone* Followed by: "They tried to take the oldies out of Fort Wayne. We've brought them back. We're oldies One-O-Two point nine WGL. Good times, great oldies." Into song: "My Sharona" by The Knack. (**JDS-MN**)

1260 KPOW WY Powell – 10/28 2100 – Fair-Good over KWYR with ID as KPOW Powell, Cody. 2nd time heard, perhaps with day power on late? **(NK-IL)**

1270 KIML WY Gillette – 10/28 2000 – Fair-Good a bit over WKBF with call ID after Dave Ramsey and into news. (NK-IL) 10/31 1959 – Poor to good before its last October night power-down, with *Dave Ramsey Show*, message for Gillette's Rockpile Museum, legal ID into IRN/USA news. NEW! Glad to add this one to the logbook using the Double Kaz antenna bearing 280 degrees. (BD-WI)

1280 KZNS UT Salt Lake City – 10/28 2024 – Easily crushing KBNO/WWTC with local ads and local sporting event ads. **(NK-IL)**

1310 CIWW ON Ottawa – 10/31 0714 – Fair with clear TC: "1310 News time is 7:14," then into sports report with talk about the Red Sox winning the World Series. Confirmed via webstream. No sign of usual pest WIBA. (**RD-NE**)

1350 KCCY CO Pueblo – 10/28 2100 – Poor-Fair under nuisance KRNT with "KCCY Pueblo" ID. Rather rare. (NK-IL)

1350 KRNT IA Des Moines – 11/2 0745 – Out of nostalgic music "This is the station that everyone at the office enjoys listening to, Thirteen-Fifty KRNT." Back to music. (**IDS-MN**)

1360 WIXI AL Jasper – 11/5 1925 – Fair @20/9! Strong. Calls for 1360 + 1400 WJLD, Kohls. (JJR-WI)

1360 KHNC CO Johnstown – 10/28 2100 & 2200 – Very good atop with ID and slogan "The Lion" and a roar. Likely on day power. (NK-IL)

1390 KXSS MN Waite Park – 11/2 0759 – NEW. Poor "You're listening to AM Thirteen-Ninety, The Fan, St. Cloud". Then fades out. (**JDS-MN**)

1410 WIZM WI La Crosse – 11/2 0815 – NEW (Local station has prevented me from catching anything on this frequency) Program: "Buy, Sell, Trade Show Listener's call in with items to sell or wanted. Nearly all callers gave phone number with 608 prefix (La Crosse) Also checked the station's programming on web. (**JDS-MN**)

1430 KCLK WA Asotin – 10/28 2200 – Poor-fair with "...ESPN Radio AM 1430 KCLK Asotin..."
This is the only reliable west coast state regional that I can get. (NK-IL)

1510 WQQW IL Highland – 11/7 0827 – Car care ad in rapid Spanish, roughly E/W; 0830 IDs in passing as "La Ke Buena 1,510 de AM," 0831 music. Can't catch any local references, but sounds like a US rather than Mexican station. Nothing fits in 2013 NRC AM Log, although there are several SS on 1510, as close as KS and TX. Then I Google on the slogan, "la ke buena 1510 am," being sure to misspell "que," and that leads right to station's Facebook page. Joined FB only on August 27, 2013. That was after the NRC AM Log was printed, where WQQW Highland IL was "Madison County's Hometown Station" in English, C&W and talk, 1 kW directional daytimer, address in Belleville IL. (At first I thought it must be ex-KMRF in Marshfield MO since their address is in St Louis --- but Marshfield is really way off near Springfield in SW MO.) FCC AM Query shows the WQQW pattern aims toward the southwest, just right for us. (GH-OK)

1510 KGA WA Spokane – 10/28 2100 – Huge signal far atop with local sports announcement and calls. **(NK-IL)**

1560 KVAN WA Burbank – 10/28 2100 – Good with usual SS accented gal giving a 4 station ID and "La Estacion de la Familia." Best sig ever from this one. **(NK-IL)**

1580 KMIK AZ Tempe – 10/30 2040-2050 – Fair with peaks mixing with KOKB/KNIM with Disney programming. (**NK-IL**)

1640 KZLS OK Enid – 10/24 1400 – This station has switched from AG news to oldies format. They now ID with "True Oldies Channel." Good daytime reception. (JR-OK)

UNID

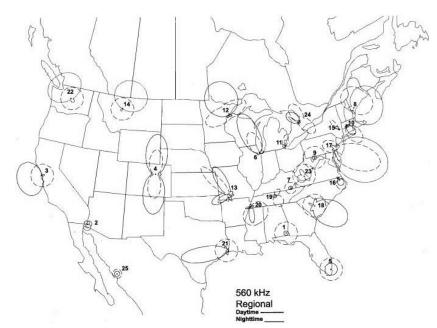
1010 UNID 11/1 2112 – Het on the low side. I can get a rather tight DF on it, ENE/WSW which puts it in the USA or NW Mexico. MW offsets list has nothing but KCHJ in California, only 5.3 Hz low and this is much further than that, but a lot less than 1 kHz. No keyboard handy to measure the pitch, but heard first on car radio at 2106, so not a local device. Het still there at 0103 check, and at 0124 I have my keyboard to find the closest pitch match: Bb below C-middle, i.e. approx. 233 Hz, which puts the carrier on approx. 1019.767. I could still hear it before sunrise around 1230, but couldn't track it long enough to decide whether it's east or west from here. Ideas? Besides KXEN, the 1010 stations along the likely line range from BCN, to AZ, Chihuahua, Amarillo, Independence KS, Indiana and Ohio. We can rule out KIND Independence KS; shortly after local mean noon at 1440 Nov 2, I can detect its carrier as the one and only daytime signal here on 1010, and is not 233 Hz low, in fact very slightly on the hi side of 1010, as compared to neighboring stations on 1020, 1000, etc. (not including KLIO ESPND Wichita 1070 which is always way off itself). (GH-OK)

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Thanks to this week's contributors. See you next time. (JDT-WA)

NRC Antenna Pattern Book, 7th Edition

The 7th Edition of the NRC Antenna Pattern Book is now available. This all new edition prepared



by NRC'er Paul Swearingen is an all-inclusive book of patterns for both Day and Night operation of stations in the USA, Canada and selected foreign stations. The data for the book comes from the 34th Edition of the *AM Radio Log* and NRC'er John Callerman's comprehensive Mexican station listing.

The book comes shrink wrapped in 8½ by 11 three hole punch format for placement in your own three ring binder. There are 240 pages and the book has maps covering 530 through 1700 kHz depicting the lower USA, Canada and Mexico. Hawaii and Alaska are shown on separate maps at the of the book. Price/ordering info: Same as for *AM Radio Log*, see page 1 for details.

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REPORTERS

HF-MI Harold Frodge, Midland – Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 85 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW

HJH-PA Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre – Tecsun PL-390

BH-MA Bob Hill, Littleton – Sony ICF-2010 with Kiwa filters, AOR LA390 active loop.

KK-VA Kraig Krist, Manassas – Winradio G33DDC SDR, Kiwa loop.

TLK-FL Terry Krueger, Clearwater – JRC NRD-535, JRC NRD-515, Sangean PR-D5, roof dipole

PS-ON Paul Snider, Welland – Grundig Satellit 750, homemade 3-ft loop

PS-ON1 Paul Snider, Sault Ste. Marie – Grundig S450DLX, Terk Advantage

BT-PEI Brent Taylor, Stratford – SDR-IQ, corner-fed 16x60′ loop.

MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig G5, Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, Panasonic RF-2200 (receiver emeritus)

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STATION NEWS

1310 CIWW ON Ottawa – As a result of massive layoffs across Canada by media giant Rogers Communications, as of 11/5 CIWW replaced much of the "1310 News" allnews format with simulcasts of Toronto's CJCL-590 "Sportsnet 590." The news format is now limited to weekday morning and afternoon drive times. Ottawa may be part of the Blue Jays fan base, but wall-to-wall Leafs talk is not going to go over well in Senators nation! (MKB-ON)

UNID

1300 UNID -- - 11/6 2020 – In the jumble with "ESPN Sports Radio 1300" slogan. Possibly WLXG Lexington KY. New here if them. **(HF-MI)**

1500.02 UNID -- 11/2 0602 – Low growl approximately here, no audio. Points about due E/W, so may be a malfunctioning Mexican and not domestic. Think this has been here forever in fact. **(TLK-FL)**

LOGGINGS

540 WFLF FL Pine Hills – 11/4 2102 – Barely atop a messy mix with weather forecast (temps in the 80s) and "The following is a paid program. The views and opinions are those of the host ... and not those of FM 104.5 and AM 540 WFLF." **(BH-MA)**

CBGA-1 NB Grande-Anse – 11/4 1656 – Talk in French, then several "Radio Canada Première Chaîne" IDs across the hour. Weak and with increasing competition from pest WLIE. **(BH-MA)**

600 WMT IA Cedar Rapids – 10/29 2256 – Various promos for WMT morning show, Power Swabs ad followed by full station ID. Good. **(PS-ON1)**

WSNL MI Flint – 11/4 2259 – End of religious show on "600 WSNL." Poor to fair with slop from local CJCL-590. (PS-ON)

620 WTMJ WI Milwaukee – 10/31 2328 – Clark Howard show, Money ad, ID "Keeping you up to date, your information station WTMJ," more ads. Good with some fading. **(PS-ON1)**

630 CFCO ON Chatham-Kent – 11/6 1743 – Segued C&W vocals till female DJ announced "Luke Bryan 'Sun Tan City' on Country 92.9 CFCO." I don't often hear this with WPRO perpetually clogging the channel. **(BH-MA)**

640 CFMJ ON Richmond Hill – 10/31 1903 – In multi-station mix (WHLO, WWJZ, WFNC and UNID SS) with station promo: "...streaming live at 640Toronto.com...talk radio AM 6-40 CFMJ a Corus Entertainment Company. AM 6-40... news." **(KK-VA)**

650 WNMT MN Nashwauk – 10/29 2357 – Social Security Free.com ad, PovertyUSA.org ad, WNMT ID at 0000, into ABC news. Fair with WSM nulled. **(PS-ON1)**

- **660 WXIC** OH Waverly 11/3 1753 Getting hammered by WFAN, gospel singing and man with "...God's word...'Ohio's Gospel Giant' AM 6-60 WXIC" ID. (KK-VA)
- **690 WOKV** FL **Jacksonville** 11/3 1702 In CKGM mix (also UNID Fox Sports, singing and preaching) with Sean Hannity Show, "Your home... news talk WOKV" station promo. **(KK-VA)**
- **720** WHYF PA Shiremanstown 11/6 1644* Super-weak but alone on channel with "WHYF is owned and operated by...Lancaster 17607...720 WHYF...this is WHYF signing off." WGN began showing almost immediately after that. (BH-MA)
- 800 WSVS VA Crewe 11/3 0604 Presumed with two Bluegrass instrumentals segued, then Bluegrass vocals, with only a weak trace of WPLK, Palatka, FL present. No announcements heard, but // their audio stream. (TLK-FL)
- **850 WGVS MI Muskegon** 10/29 2321 "Real Oldies 1480 & 850" ID, "Sunshine Lollipops and Rainbows," "Sherry Baby" by Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons, another Real Oldies 1480/850 ID, more oldies music. Poor to good mixing with WKNR. **(PS-ON1)**
- **880 KRVN NE Lexington** 11/7 1800 Fox News to 1805; Weather Watch with NE-KS-CO weather sponsored by the Angus Beef Boosters, mention of rangeland fire danger; ads for Ramsey Feeds and Stoltenberg Irrigation. Well under WCBS at tune-in, but then on top. **(HF-MI)**
- 910 KCJB ND Minot 11/2 0559 Fair to poor, in the jumble, but faded up to good with "91 Classic Country" slogan just before Fox News at the hour. Afterward, live female announcer with detailed weather summary for the area, including temperatures in the 20's and 30's, barometer of 30.05, "clear skies in Minot" and time check of 5:08. Then into "I Will Always Love You" by Dolly Parton. No sign of CKDQ for a change. Big fade up with full call letter ID at 6:17 after a Merle Haggard song, then commercial package. Had a "presumed" logging of this last week, but now there is no doubt. New. (BT-PEI)
- 1120 WKAJ NY St. Johnsville 11/3 1845 Very good at times over KMOX with 70's oldies and many ID's. (HJH-PA)
- **1190 KQQZ MO DeSoto** 11/5 0643 Coming out of a Johnny Cash song with singing KQQZ ID. By 0648 re-check, WAMT, Pine Hills, FL dominating. **(TLK-FL)**
- **1200 WAMB TN** Nashville 11/3 0544 Presumed in very tight WAOI null with Sinatra song (I think), into "I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Out Of My Hair" by Peggy Lee. **(TLK-FL)**
- **1210 KUBR TX San Juan** 11/4 0556 Mexi-tune vocals, male "Radio Cristiana" slogan, mention in SS of "Valley Worship Center en McAllen..." after a Mexi-gospel vocal. Chasing this for a couple of days hoping it was a real Mexican. **(TLK-FL)**
- **1220 WJAX FL Jacksonville** 11/5 0640 "1220 WJAX" ID into commercials just as passing the channel. **(TLK-FL)**
- **1270 WDLA NY Walton** 11/4 1700 Briefly on top with "AM 1270 is WDLA Walton" ToH ID into ABC news, then lost to sports talker, presumably WXYT-Detroit. (**MKB-ON**)
- **1280 WTMY FL** Sarasota 11/4 0641 Very Oldies with Jimmy Dorsey & His Orchestra "I Hear A Rhapsody" into Bob Eberly "Singapore" then Nat King Cole "Blue Gardenia" followed by male canned, "WTMY, Sarasota" at 0648. Not sure how long ago (post mid-September I think) this flipped format from sports. Rechecked 11/5 at 0004 to confirm not a format fluke, very good with a block of instrumentals (Artie Shaw, Glenn Miller). **(TLK-FL)**
 - WODT LA New Orleans 11/3 0554 "Esta es Sports Center... de ESPN Deportes" into ads and ID. (TLK-FL)
- **1300 KGLO IA Mason City** 11/6 1711 Mike Huckabee Show, "Your hometown news station, AM 1300 KGLO" ID. Dominant over another political talk station (probably WOOD). A raving huckster was there at tune-in, but disappeared about 1713. **(HF-MI)**
- **1340** WLVL NY Lockport 11/4 2349 Poor, caught end of promo with ID "...on 1340 WLVL," into more ads. (PS-ON)
- 1440 WVGG MS Lucedale 11/2 0621 Ad for Allstate agent Rusty Dossett along with his street address in Pascagoula, into the "(something) Comedy Show" which was not funny, just a lame male host taking lamer calls. (TLK-FL)

- **1460 WTKT PA Harrisburg** 11/5 1800 Out of Department of Energy PSA with "Harrisburg's home for all sports all the time, sports 24/365, WTKT Harrisburg and WTKT-HD The Ticket. It's 6 o'clock." **(BH-MA)**
- **1480 WYZE GA Atlanta** 11/2 0606 Black gospel ending, then promo for something "... every Saturday, 4-8 pm... on the legendary 14-80, WYZE." **(TLK-FL)**
- **1600 WAYC PA Bedford** 11/5 1658 Fair to good with "Angel of the Morning," ID at 1700: "You are listening to 1600 WAYC," into news including item on Rob Ford's crack smoking admission. **(PS-ON)**
- **1620 WTAW TX College Station** 11/5 2104 Election results from College Station and elsewhere in region; weather forecast, several "1620 WTAW" IDs and bank ad with two mentions of Brazos Valley. Into an interview with Mike Walker, author of "Out for Blood." Very weak and choppy. **(BH-MA)**
- **MS Biloxi** 11/5 2000 Out of ESPN college football talk with "... tomorrow afternoon beginning at 3 here on the new SportsRadio 96.7 The Champ. SportsRadio 96.7 WUJM Gulfport ..." Into talk about previous night's Packers-Bears game. Weak with severe TIS competition. **(BH-MA)**
- 1660 KQWB ND West Fargo 10/29 2342 "True Oldies Channel 1660" ID, "Love Train," "True Oldies 1660" ID at 2345, into Chicago song. Very poor to fair with WQLR Kalamazoo, MI. (PS-ON1)

The QSL Revival Committee

In cooperation with Doug Neatrour of Holy Family Radio, Inc, I've created an eQSL for WHYF to se.

Holy Family Radio

If a distant listener receives WHYF AM 720, Shiremanstown, PA, sends a detailed reception report to Mr. Neatrour at contact@720whyf.com and politely requests an eQSL they will receive a WHYF QSL similar to the one attached to this email.

73,

Kraig Krist, KG4LAC Manassas, VA USA Doug Neatrour of Holy Family Radio, Inc confirms
Kraig Krist, Manassas, VA, received WHYF AM 720
on October 14, 2013, 6:20 PM to 6:30 PM EDT.

WHYF currently operates from a long wire
antenna, with Special Temporary Authority from the
FCC, due to loss of our 340 foot tower site, via the
previous owner of the station, back in 2009.

AM 720 WHYF



The 2014 Scott Fybush Tower Site Calendar

The 13th annual Tower Site Calendar, published commercially by NRC member Scott Fybush, is now shipping. It features thematic page designs, durable coil binding and 13 new pictures taken from Scott's travels all over North America and beyond. Some of the highlights this year:

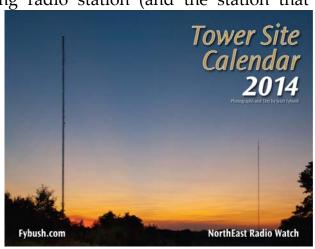
- The former site of KBRT. This daytime-only AM station broadcast from southern California's Catalina Island until this year, inspiring the popular song "26 Miles."
- The home of Chicago's AM 1160. The four-tower array actually sits in Des Plaines, Illinois.
- WTAG, Worcester Massachusetts. The station, named for its former owner, the Worcester Telegram and Gazette, celebrates its 90th anniversary in May.
- A master antenna system in Crestwood, Missouri. Built in 1986, the combiner system houses 11 St. Louis stations.

• KFAQ, Tulsa, Oklahoma. The city's oldest surviving radio station (and the station that launched Tulsa native Paul Harvey) is near the old

Route 66.

In addition to the photos, the calendar's monthly pages include significant dates in radio and television history, as well as civil and religious holidays.

The 2014 calendars cost \$18.50 each (\$19.98 including sales tax for New York State residents) plus \$3.50 shipping; and can be purchased by check (payable to "Fybush Media") or money order to 92 Bonnie Brae Avenue, Rochester NY 14618. Orders can also be placed with major credit cards, or online at www.fybush.com.



International DX Digest

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This edition is going out a day early, live from the 2013 "Listening Waters" Prince Edward Island DXpedition. The big news here is reception of 1071 India. Also having fun listening to Europirates in the x-band. Can't wait for the DXpedition report? Check out the DXpedition web page at www.bamlog.com/2013peidxped.htm for logs, audio clips, and photos.

Trans-Atlantic DX

- 162 **FRANCE** *France Inter,* Allouis OCT 27 2100 Good with news by man in French. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 177 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Oranienburg OCT 27 2140 Good with man and woman in German. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 183 **GERMANY** *Europe 1,* Felsberg OCT 27 2149 Loud and clear with football match in French. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 189 **ICELAND** *Rikisútvarpid*, Gufuskálar OCT 27 2150 Loud and clear with pop music in English and female DJ in Icelandic. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 198 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 4,* Droitwich et al. OCT 27 2152 Good with news in English discussing economic issues. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 216 **FRANCE** *RMC* Roumoules OCT 27 2156 Loud and clear with discussion between man and woman in French. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 234 **LUXEMBOURG** *RTL* Junglinster OCT 27 2159 Good with discussion between man and woman in French, "RTL" ID and jingle at 2200. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 252 **IRELAND** *RTÉ Radio 1,* Clarkestown OCT 27 2203 Good ending news in English, battling Algeria. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- ALGERIA Jil FM, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi NOV 2 2206 Good with discussion and laughter between two men and a woman in French, parallel to 549 kHz. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- ALGERIA *Jil FM*, Les Trembles OCT 22 2209 Loud and clear with cover of 1977 Bee Gees hit "Stayin'Alive" from film "Saturday Night Fever" in unknown language, parallel to 531 kHz. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 639 **SPAIN** *RNE1* La Coruña et al. NOV 2 2134-2145 Good with fútbol match in Spanish. Parallel to 648, 684, 774, and 855 kHz. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 675 **NETHERLANDS** *R.Maria,* Lopik NOV 2 2230 Fair ending light music and into world news in presumed Dutch. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 693 **UNITED KINGDOM** *BBC Radio 5*, Droitwich et al. NOV 2 2147 Good with reports of storms in Wales, clear ID; parallel to 909 kHz. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 945 **FRANCE** *France Info,* Toulouse NOV 2 2152 Fair with news by man in French. [DeLorenzo-MA]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA* Duba OCT 27 2215 Loud and clear with Arabic teletalk. [DeLorenzo-MA]

Hauser transatlantic carrier search: NOV 1 0451-0456: JBA on 693, 774, 783, 882, 954, 963 (these two adjacent to my 960 local but ~90 degrees away), 1053, 1215, 1413, 1422, 1503 kHz. NOV 2 0511-0516: JBA on 693, 774, 882, 891 (first one noticed, het with no BFO needed), 1053, 1062, 1179 (could be Cuba), 1422 kHz. NOV 4 0139-0144: After first hearing the Saudi 1521 het on 1520 KOKC: 531, 693, 774, 783, 882, 891, 945, 954, 1206, 1215 kHz. NOV 6 0653: Het on 910 from 909; too late to do a full search.

Hauser transpacific carrier search: NOV 1 1248-1252: JBA on 702, 738, 774, 882. 774 definitely from NW = Japan, but 702 and 738 imply NSW and Tahiti. NOV 2 1234-1241 UT: JBA on 567, 594, 693, 702, 747, 774, 828, 972, 1044, 1053, 1152. As usual checked 774 first and there it was looping NW, i.e. Japan. Can't be sure all the others were from NW. NOV 3 1254-1259: 594, 747, 774, 972, 1053, 1314 kHz.

Pan-American DX

MEXICO XEBX Sabinas, Coah. NOV 1 1242 – Checking for XEGS Guasave, Sinaloa, parallel 650 XETNT, I think it's there, but underneath a stronger Spanish signal, with birthday greetings to kids, notably quinceañeras in various colonias; one mentioned was

Villahermosa, but surely not Tabasco as also mentioned Nueva Rosita and Sabinas phones, CST time check. [Hauser-OK]

MEXICO XETNT Los Mochis, Sin. NOV 1 1237 – Song extolling Sinaloa, naming several cities, then compares to Durango, Chihuahua, back to beloved Sinaloa. 1239 ID as "Chávez Radio K," and Panorama Agropecuario, 5:39 time check. It's XETNT in Los Mochis back on MST. Normally duplicated on 610 XEGS 610 Guasave, but found another XE dominant there. [Hauser-OK]

660 **MEXICO** unID NOV 6 0601 – Multi-verse choral national anthem, 0605 full ID mentions location in Colonia Centro, Zacatecas, FM 105.9

"de lo más alto del cuadrante," then jazzed-up version of 'Ghost Riders in the Sky'. I thought this would be easy to look up, but in Cantú and IRCA there are *no* Zacatecans on 660, and no FM parallel matches either. Maybe Zacatecas was part of a street address rather than the city or state itself. Couldn't copy more due to considerable interference, including another XE with anthem coming up underneath first station at 0607. Of the nine Mexicans on 660, I've previously IDed XEEY, XEACB, XEDTL, XEFZ and likely two of those. [Hauser-OK]

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73 and Good DX!

NOAA Space Weather Outlook

Issued November 4 – For the period November 4-30, 2013

(From http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftpdir/weekly/WKHF.txt)

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a chance for M-class flares (R1-R2, Minor to Moderate) and a slight chance for X-class flares (R3, Strong) until 24 November when Region 1890 (S10, L=172, class/area Ehc/660 on 03 November) and old Region 1875 (N07, L=030) depart the visible disk.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels with high levels expected from 11-18 November due to activity associated with a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be mostly quiet for the forecast period with unsettled periods expected from 06-07 November and again on 10-13 November due activity associated with recurrent coronal hole high speed streams.

DX Tool Box

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Improving your DX skills - tips from new and veteran members

Greetings once again from the Heart of the Continent and welcome to the DX Tool Box Column number 54.

This Month's Radio Saying:

During the day I dress up like a radio announcer.

One more hobby group going dark

Well one more of the radio hobby's groups (not a club as such) is going to go black. *Monitoring Times* as run by Bob Grove is ceasing publication in December 2013. Bob Grove tells the story well in a video you can see at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZKSKXEF68ho

In the interview Bob talks about not only Monitoring Times but Grove Enterprises both of which this editor sees as institutions in the radio hobby. Many of us, most likely, own or owned equipment sold by Grove. Many of us have read his magazine over the years.

The closing of a onetime giant radio publication is a sad event for the hobby in general. Bob says the subscriptions went from a high of about 36,000 to around 11,000 a month. This will again raise the argument that the hobby is dying. Well, I am not going to talk about that subject. I will say that it again points out that without continued and sustained support, any publication will go the way of so many others over the years.

The question for NRC is could we be next? Costs are rising in the way of printing and mailing and show no signs of stabilizing never mind dropping. The club will have to take a close look at how to keep NRC going or it too could fold. As the world changes NRC will have to change with it or join the ranks of clubs that used to be part of the hobby. I encourage all of you to think and think hard of ways to save the club you belong to. After you have thought things out, send your thoughts to the Board of Directors so they (Yes I am one of them and I am personally open to all suggestions) can work on ensuring that NRC is here for years to come.

One thing I will give Bill Grove is that he is refunding subscriptions to those who have paid for issues past the final edition in December 2013. Bob proves he is a class act as many other clubs have folded and left their members on the hook for lost subscription fees.

It is your club. It is your responsibility to help keep it alive and well.

The Way Back Machine

Here is a link suggested by Wes Boyd via Wayne Heinen: http://www.98wrc.com/ now WWRC 1260 The site starts out with this quote: "This tribute site is done as a labor of love by a couple of middle-aged guys who used to work there. It's also a tribute to those professionals who helped make the station a success. We hope this site will bring back some memories to those who were lucky enough to hear the station when it was on the air. If you never heard The Great 98, prepare for an education of not only the Top 40 format, but learn about its MOR days, the NewsTalk era and even the Disco phase." There are tons of pictures and a write up on the station. They have even included a virtual tour of the station. The audio archives section is not to be missed with IDs, promos, and other audio bites.

I received this link from Karl Forth: http://www.lkyradio.com/ This site is all about Kentucky radio from the past. There is a definite bias to Lexington and Louisville KY which shows in the name of LKY Radio. There is lots of information about many of the stations in the area as well as pictures and videos. This is a well laid out site, easy to navigate as you go through the stations and the large amounts of information on each station.

Bits and Bites from the NRC listserv:

From: Les Rayburn <u>les@highnoonfilm.com</u> Subject: [NRC-AM] Antenna Protection

Great article on how the new Antenna Protection Rules will affect engineering considerations and the AM Band. Worth reading for any DXer.

http://www.tvtechnology.com/article/new-antenna-protection-rules-are-a-win-/222015

73, Les Rayburn, N1LF, 121 Mayfair Park, Maylene, AL 35114

DAILY NEWS FINAL

FAKE RADIO 'WAR'

From: Dave Marthouse dmarthouse@gmail.com

Subject: Congratulations Scott Fybush

Our own Scott Fybush has made the papers.

http://www.democratandchronicle.com/story/news/local/2013/10/26/brighton-man-is-an-authority-of-the-airwaves/3267853/

From: Shawn Axelrod amandx@mymts.net

Subject: 75th Anniversary

Today Oct 30th is the 75th Anniversary of Orson Welles scaring America with his famous broadcast of War of the Worlds. I wonder if that feat could be repeated today in a 500 channel TV universe and a radio spectrum full of network broadcasts? 73 Best of DX Shawn

From <u>KH2AR@comcast.net</u>: In this day of "Get it first now, get it right later" news reporting, it would probably be worse today. Jim Pogue – Memphis.

From Dave Marthouse <u>dmarthouse@gmail.com</u>: Add to the mix the Internet and its social networks, Twitter, Facebook, texting, and the rest. Lots of people would know better and realize it was a bit. They would compare news sources and see if the event was covered on other media outlets. On the other hand there would be more than a few that would panic and go off the deep end. In my opinion both scenarios would occur there would be more people involved on both extremes as well as a third group who knows it is just a show.

From Eric Floden eric.f99999@gmail.com: I forget where I heard the story this week, but the gist was this: Newspapers were choked at the revenues that (this new-fangled medium) radio was stealing from it, so they (newspapers) overblew the levels of hysteria in their reporting, in order to show radio in a bad light. The wiki article here: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/War of the Worlds (radio) says, "Though there were sensationalist accounts in the press about a supposed panic in response to the broadcast, the precise extent of listener response has been debated."

From Ben Dangerfield <u>ben-dangerfield@verizon.net</u>: I was at my Philco radio that night, living then in Pittsburgh. WJAS carried the Orson Wells broadcast over the Columbia Broadcasting System. I was probably listening to NBC Red over WCAE but may very well have been DXing the band as I did most nights. Anyway, I didn't notice anything unusual on WJAS. To this day I cannot believe so many people were so stupid not to check other networks and other stations to see what was going on. I recall that on Dec. 7, 1941, Pearl Harbor Day I was also at the same Philco when the news broke and right away I was tuning up and down the band for confirmation and further news reports.

From Patrick Martin mwdxer@webtv.net: Congratulations Ben!!! 75 years is a long time to be at the dials. I have been at it for over 51 and I feel this is a long time. Have you heard a lot of great DX in those 75 years.

From Stephen Ponder N5WBI <u>stephen ponder@sbcglobal.net</u>: Ben, I think that mentality is still present today. I have family members and friends who are "glued" to one station or one network and will not leave that channel for time nor money. It's almost as if they have been secretly hypnotized through means unknown so that they refuse to believe anything else than what is being reported on "their" station. Scary.

From: Dave Marthouse <u>dmarthouse@gmail.com</u>

Subject: Experimental MF Beacon

Hi Gang, This is close enough to the broadcast band I thought some fellow AM DX'ers would be interested. Below is a message from Brian Justin WA1ZMS/4. If you hear any of these signals feel free to contact Brian.

"WD2XSH/31 CW beacon is always running on 477.9 KHz and QSLs are good via QRZ.com address. I do plan to have WG2XFQ running Heising Modulation for Fessenden X-Mass Eve event like in years past on 485.0 KHz. Please spread the word. That's the time I fire up the Hafler 9505 amp and run the full 20w ERP. hi...hi.. Sure does warm the shack up several degrees. Brian, WA1ZMS/4 & WD2XSH/31 in VA."

This Month's DX Tool Box Web Site is: http://www.angelfire.com/wi/dxmidamerica/HSFB.html
This site is on the DX-midAMerica web pages. The page linked to above is all about High School Football. The site has a listing of AM radio stations in frequency order that are known to carry the

Thursday and Friday night football games. This can often be hard to identify if you hear them so this page could be a big help on helping identify some of the local stations you have in your log that remain a mystery. Check it out and see if maybe you can add a new station to your totals.

73 for this time Shawn **Remember On A Clear Day You Can Hear Forever**

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