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Convention: It was a pleasure to see many of you again (and to meet some of you for the first on the weekends that DX News is not published; time) at the All-Club DX Convention in Fort we have an Interim AM Switch posted there, Wayne July 10-12. We hope to have a full report usually on Friday night or Saturday morning, in coming issues.

There are also one or more proposals on the table for a 2016 convention, whether just for the NRC and the WTFDA (Worldwide TV-FM DX Association) or for IRCA and other clubs as well. If you'd like information about potentially submitting a bid, contact the NRC Board at the addresses on the back page.

Coming Soon: The 36th Edition of the NRC **AM Log**: Wayne Heinen will be wrapping up the next edition of the *Log* around August 1, and he's now taking pre-orders for shipping the 36th Edition around September 1. Due to postage increases, there will be a small change in things for the August issue ... see you then! Canadian and overseas rates. Prices are the same as for the Pattern Book (see page 7 for more info on that essential reference) - to U.S. addresses, \$22.95 to members, \$28.95 to non-members, add \$4.00 for Priority Mail delivery; to Canadian addresses it's US\$36.25 and overseas US\$41.75. order online using Paypal www.nrcdxas.org or by sending a check or money order (U.S. funds only) to NRC HQ in keeping me up to date on what's happening on Aurora at the address on the back page.

NFL: It's the hottest weekend of the summer so far here in DC as I type this, but this e-mail has arrived from Barry Finkel: "As it is about two weeks until the National Football League opens its training camps, it is time to start collecting URLs to NFL team network lists. If you find one for the upcoming season, please send me the URL. Thanks." You can send them Luzerne, PA. Welcome aboard! to Barry at bsfinkel@att.net.

Madison-Milwaukee GTG: The 22nd annual Michael Sunseri, Elk Grove, CA. Madison-Milwaukee DX Get-Together returns to the Milwaukee area this year, on Saturday, August 15. Your hosts are Tim and Jill Noonan and their sons Chris and Paul, and the event will be held at their home at 801 E. Park Blvd., Oak Creek, WI 53154. This is an all-band event, open to anyone interested in the radio hobby. For information, contact DXing2@aol.com.

E-DXN.com: Don't forget to check e-DXN.com with the latest FCC and CRTC news and AM Log updates.

The number of members who use e-DXN.com to download their copy of DX News, whether in addition to or instead of the traditional printed and mailed copy, continues to increase. A .pdf version of DX News is usually available on Saturday a week before the official publication date, in full living color too! Plus e-DXN.com has other features, archives of past years of DX News and the DX Audio Service, and other things to offer as well.

From the Publisher: We're holding some

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Membership Report

"Thank you VERY much." – Michael De Roo.

"A big Thank You to you & all the editors for the BCB." – Dave Wurl.

"Please renew my subscription to DX News for another year." – Robert Harrison.

"Please renew my NRC Membership for another year." – James T. Weber.

New Members - Welcome to Stephen Fisher, Albuquerque, NM; amd Christopher Roach,

Returning Member – And welcome back to

Renewing Members – Thanks for the support of James Bagge; Bytheway; Michael J. De Roo; Barry S. Finkel; Robert Galerstein WB2VGD; Kris Gray; William Hale; Robert Harrison; Eugene Hinton; Willard G. Hoffmann; Charles Rader; Odd-Jorgen Sagdahl; David Snellman; James T. Weber; Thomas White; Martin Н. Wishnewitz; Matthew Wrench; David M. Wurl; and Philip Zmenkowski.

AM Switch



Info to David Yocis, 1245 13th St. N.W., #105, Washington DC 2005, NRCDXNews@gmail.com Canadian information from CRTC complied by Shawn Axelrod and Dan Sys NRC AM Log updates from Wayne Heinen, amradiolog@nrcdxas.org

On July 16, the FCC approved a reorganization of the Enforcement Bureau's field operations, with the goal of maximizing the agency's effectiveness despite declining budgets. The intent was to concentrate operations in urban areas where (so it is thought) the need is greatest.

The field offices in Anchorage, Buffalo, Detroit, Houston, Kansas City, Norfolk, Philadelphia, San Diego, San Juan, Seattle, and Tampa will close, while the Atlanta, Columbia MD, and San Francisco offices will move to FCC-owned properties in the same areas. The field offices in Boston, Chicago, Dallas, Denver, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Miami, New Orleans, New York, and Portland OR will remain open, and Kansas City will have field agents on a part-time basis. The FCC will also engage part-time contract employees to cover Alaska and Puerto Rico.

And here's the rest of the FCC news since the last issue of DX News:

CALL CHANGES

1010 WELS NC Kinston – Call change to WWMC (July 15).

1070 KVKK MN Verndale – Call change to KSKK (June 30).

1170 KRUE MN Waseca – Call change to KOWZ (July 13, had these calls 2003-2012).

1200 WEMM WV Huntington – Call change to WZPS (July 2).

1270 WZCG GA Columbus – Call change to WBOJ (July 1, fourth calls in a year for this one).

1330 KWLO IA Waterloo – Call change to KPTY (July 9).

1400 WMJE GA Elberton – Call change back to WSGC (July 13, station is silent, don't believe WMJE was ever used on the air).

1570 KPIO CO Loveland – Call change to KKCL (July 1, station is silent).

1670 WOZN WI Madison – Call change to WUSW (July 6).

The buyers of WMKI-1260 Boston MA have reserved WBIX for when the sale is complete.

NEW STATION WATCH

New station fully licensed and on the air:

1180 KCKQ NV Sparks – CP for new station (U2 4000/190) is on the air.

Call letters for previously granted CP:

1580 CP UT Springville – CP for new station (U1 10000/570) granted calls KPTY July 2, then flipped them to KWLO July 9 in an exchange with 1330 Waterloo IA.

CP expired:

830 KBLN OR Grants Pass – CP for new station (U2 5000/1000) expired and deleted.

Dismissals under review:

OR Grants Pass – Application for new station (U1 250/400) dismissed in 2013 is back in the database due to a pending petition for reconsideration, although the petition is still pending. Applicant says application was dismissed as mutually exclusive when CP for Draper UT on 780 kHz was granted, even though these are not mutually exclusive applications.

1580 APP NM Santa Fe – Application for new station (U1 250/250) dismissed in 2011 is back in the database due to a pending petition for reconsideration.

Dismissals and deletions:

570 APP GA Garden City – Application for new station (U4 1000/1000) deleted.

700 APP NM Albuquerque – Application for new station (U4 2500/2500) deleted.

860 APP MT Orchard Homes – Application for new station (U2 10000/500) deleted.

1060 APP WA Union Gap – Application for new station (U2 16000/1500) dismissed.

1100 APP CO Lamar – Application for new station (U2 1100/1000) dismissed.

1160 APP MO Kirbyville – Application for new station (U4 1000/270) dismissed.

1380 APP NM Bernalillo – Application for new station (U4 3000/250) deleted.

1440 APP VA Hamilton – Application for new station (U4 960/5000) deleted.

1470 APP CA Coalinga – Application for new station (U4 250/1000) dismissed.

- **1570 APP UT Richmond** Application for new station (U4 2500/250) deleted.
 - **APP** WA Millwood Application for new station (U2 30000/2200) deleted.
- **1580 APP MT Lolo** Application for new station (U2 10000/1000) deleted.
 - **APP** UT Payson Application for new station (U4 27332/342) deleted.
 - **APP** UT Tooele Application for new station (U1 206/206) deleted.
 - **APP** UT Washington Application for new station (U1 280/250) deleted.
 - APP WA College Place Application for new station (U2 5000/1000) deleted.
 - **APP** WA Veradale Application for new station (U2 50000/15000) deleted.
- **1590 APP ID Oldtown** Application for new station (U2 5000/1000) deleted.
- **1600 APP CA Lemon Grove** Application for new station (U1 250/250) deleted.

STATIONS GOING DARK (OR NOT)

1280 WKYY KY Lancaster – License cancellation reversed and call letters reinstated; station remains silent and has been so since May 7.

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS (CPS) FOR EXISTING STATIONS

CPs fully licensed and on the air:

- **900 KALI CA West Covina** CP for U4 5000/150, new site (34-01-48/117-43-35), is on the air.
- **1240** WLLV KY Louisville CP for U1 530/530 from a new site (38-13-49/85-49-20) is on the air.
- **1270 WILE OH Cambridge** CP for U1 830/28 is on the air.

CPs built, nearing completion:

- **1200** WAMB TN Donelson Applies for license to cover CP for D1 10000 (ch 3800).
- **1440 WNYG NY Medford** Applies for license to cover and program test authority for CP with U2 1000/196.
- **1490 WOLF NY Syracuse** Applies for license to cover CP for U1 1000/1000.

And, although the FCC doesn't reflect it, WRCR-1300's CP to move to 1700 is reported on the air.

Modification to CP granted:

1000 WIOO PA Carlisle – Has longstanding CP for U4 5000/60 on 1010 kHz, granted amendment to remain on 1000 kHz but with D1 15000 (ch 2700).

CPs granted:

- **1260** WSHU CT Westport Granted CP for U1 650/17, moving to Seymour CT and a new site (41-23-29/73-03-14).
- 1380 WTMC DE Wilmington Granted CP for U1 250/10, consolidated at current day site.
- **1470** WLQR OH Toledo Granted CP for U4 1000/69, new site (41-37-36/83-38-03).
- **1590 WALG GA Albany** Granted CP for U1 2500/40.
- 1600 WHOL PA Allentown Granted CP for U4 1000/56.

Applications for CPs received:

- **630** WREY MN St. Paul Applies for U4 5000/2800 from a new site (44-44-58/92-59-40).
- **860 KTRB CA San Francisco** Applies for U2 50000/5000 from current day site (diplexed with KFAX-1100); licensed night site has been unuseable for years.
- **950 WXLW IN Indianapolis** Applies for U4 4900/38.
- 990 WMYM FL Miami Applies for U4 7500/5000, CoL to Kendall FL, moving to current site of WURN-1020 (25-37-35/80-31-16).
- **1020 WURN FL Kendall** Applies for U4 4500/1500, CoL to Boynton Beach FL, moving to current site oF WLVJ-1040 (26-28-26/80-12-11).
- **1040 WLVJ FL Boynton Beach** Applies for U4 50000/5000, CoL to Miami FL, moving to current site of WMYM-990 (25-50-34/80-25-12).
- **1400 KCOG IA Centerville** Applies for U1 420/840 from corrected coordinates of 40-44-47/92-54-18.
- **1480 KYOS CA Merced** Applies for U2 4300/1000, from a new site (37-13-31/120-26-03).

As one might imagine, the 990, 1020, and 1040 Florida CP applications are mutually conditional – either all three can be granted, or none.

CPs expired, deleted:

- **770 WEW MO St. Louis** CP for U4 10000/200 from a new site will expire July 31; station has already applied for a replacement CP.
- **860 WDMG GA Douglas** CP for U1 5000/29 has expired and is deleted.
- **1500 KBRN TX Boerne** CP for U5 1900/15 has expired and is deleted.

SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY (STA)

- 570 WMCA NY New York Granted STA with U2 1250/5000 during tower painting.
 - **WWNC NC Asheville** Granted STA with parameters at variance or U1 5000/1250 during move of WQNS-105.1 to one of the WWNC towers.
- **600 WMT IA Cedar Rapids** Granted STA for parameters at variance during diplexing of FM station on a tower.
- **630 KIDD CA Monterey** Silent station granted STA with U1 300/250 from KNRY-1240 tower; will probably not be used until station's pending sale is complete.
- 820 WNYC NY New York Granted STA with U2 2500/1000 during tower painting.
- 950 WXLW IN Indianapolis Granted STA with U1 1000/14, towers need replacing.
 - **WROL MA Boston** Granted STA with reduced power, unspecified; malfunctioning transmitter can't produce licensed 5 kW.
- **960 KOVO UT Provo** Granted STA with U1 5000/140; losing site for one of the towers in the night array.
- **1150 KZNE TX College Station** Applies for STA with U1 250/125 or parameters at variance during co-location of KWBC-1550 on the KZNE towers.
- **1190 WVUS WV Grafton** Granted STA; has discovered antenna impedance has changed from licensed parameters and needs to do a coordinate correction too.
- **1340 WTRN PA Tyrone** Granted STA with reduced power (about U1 900/900), transmitter problems.
- **1600** WRJE DE Dover Granted STA with U1 1250/250.

Applications to extend existing STAs were <u>received</u> from and <u>granted</u> to WKAQ-580 San Juan PR (U1 10000/4500); WKBM-930 Sandwich IL (parameters at variance due to problems at nearby tower); WIPR-940 San Juan PR (temporary facilities at WKAQ-580 site); KIMM-1150 Rapid City SD (U1 5000/66); and WINT-1330 Willoughby OH (U1 125/10).

Applications to extend existing STAs were <u>received</u> from WKZO-590 Kalamazoo MI (U2 5000/1250); KVNA-600 Flagstaff AZ (temporary longwire antenna); WQNO-690 New Orleans LA (U1 2500/1250); KUFO-970 Portland OR (parameters at variance and/or reduced power); KZZB-990 Beaumont TX (U1 250/250); KCKN-1020 Roswell NM (U4? 1000/1000 from backup transmitter, although new 50 kW transmitter is installed and will be relicensed soon); WRIE-1260 Erie PA (U3 5000/1250, using day pattern 24 hours); KFRN-1280 Long Beach CA (U1 1000/1000); WTKS-1290 Savannah GA (U1 5000/1250 or parameters at variance); KSDT-1320 Hemet CA (U1 50/50 from a temporary antenna in a trailer park); WYOS-1360 Binghamton NY (reduced power, unspecified); KJCV-1450 Jackson WY (temporary wire antenna); KAIR-1470 Atchison KS (U1 250/250); WSMN-1590 Nashua NH (WGAM-1250 site); WWRU-1660 Jersey City NJ (parameters at variance).

Previously reported requests to extend existing STAs were granted to WNSR-560 Brentwood TN, WARM-590 Scranton PA, WRJZ-620 Knoxville TN, KTIS-900 Minneapolis MN, WLTP-910 Marietta OH, KDHL-920 Faribault MN, KSDN-930 Aberdeen SD, WINA-1070 Charlottesville VA, WJUA-1200 Pine Island Center FL, WALO-1240 Humacao PR, KKDZ-1250 Seattle WA, WJYE-1280 Gardiner ME, KAZY-1290 Gilroy CA, KEZM-1310 Sulphur LA, WOAM-1350 Peoria IL, KGMY-1400 Springfield MO, WINI-1420 Murphysboro IL, WENE-1430 Endicott NY, WBNS-1460 Columbus OH, KYOS-1480 Merced CA, WINW-1520 Canton OH, WLZR-1560 Melbourne FL, and KGFK-1590 East Grand Forks MN.

WEATHERCAST

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WREV:

AM-1220

SILENT STATIONS

Stations informing the FCC that they are silent:

- 910 WSRP NC Jacksonville Silent June 18, financial reasons.
- **1060** WGSB NC Mebane Silent June 18, financial reasons.
- **1220** WREV NC Reidsville Silent June 18, financial reasons.
- **1300 KSYB LA Shreveport** Silent June 12, flooding at transmitter site.
 - **KSET TX Lumberton** Silent May 7, pending sale.
- **1370 WLLN NC Lillington** Silent June 18, financial reasons.
- **1380 KDXE AR North Little Rock** Silent June 10, lost programming source.
- **1390 WFHT FL Avon Park** Silent July 10 following a transmitter fire.
- **1460 WXBR MA Brockton** Silent May 23, lost transmitter site.
- **1500 WMJL KY Marion** Silent July 1 for maintenance and equipment upgrades.
- **1580 WTCL FL Chattahoochee** Silent June 1, says its time broker fell behind on payments, then stopped providing programming altogether.

Formerly silent stations informing the FCC that they are no longer silent:

- **950 WKDN PA Philadelphia** Silent (nights) since May 26, back on the air fulltime June 19.
- **1230 WAMM VA Woodstock** Silent since Dec. 3 (2014), back on the air June 20.
- 1280 KLDY **WA** Lacey – Silent Mar. 30, back on the air May 22.
- 1300 KSYB **LA** Shreveport – Silent June 12 (as above), on the air with low power July 10.
- 1340 WKSN NY Jamestown Silent since July 30 (2014), back on the air Aug. 15 (2014). KOLE TX Port Arthur Silent July 28 (2014), back on the air July 10 at 1800 Central time.
- 1400 WJWF MS Columbus – Silent July 8 (2014), on the air June 19 with STA.
- **1440 WSEL MS Pontotoc** – Silent Aug. 12 (2014), on the air June 19 with new transmitter.
- 1490 KBRO **WA Bremerton** – Silent Mar. 30, back on the air May 22.
- 1560 WZTO **AL Centre** – Silent since July 4 (2014), back on the air June 6 at 1332 Central time.

COORDINATE CORRECTION

- TN Cookeville Applies for CP to correct coordinates to 36-09-48/85-31-29. **780 WPTN**
- **1210 KEBR CA Rocklin** – Applies for CP to correct night site to 38-43-44/121-19-09.
- 1310 KZYP **AR** Malvern – Applies for CP to correct coordinates to 34-22-25/92-49-48.
- **GA Moultrie** CP to correct coordinates to 31-09-55/83-45-56 is on the air. 1400 WHLJ

Fines: WENY-1230 Elmira NY, \$7000 for leaving fence around tower unlocked for a week; WKYY-1280 Lancaster KY, proposed fine of \$7000 for failure to file timely license renewal and operating the station for a month after the license expired without STA.

For failing to maintain quarterly issues/programs list in the public file, the following: WJMS-590 Ironwood MI (and WIMI (FM)), \$10,500 (including a failure to correct change in ownership of antenna structure); WEKC-710 Williamsburg KY, \$1500 (reduced from \$15,000 due to station's poor finances); WPAM-1450 Pottsville PA, \$720 (reduced from \$10,000 due to station's poor finances).

<u>Canada</u>

CRTC actions (via Shawn Axelrod and Dan Sys):

- **BC** Uculelet LPRT applies to move to 92.7 MHz FM. 540 CBXQ
- 570 CBML QC Val d'Or – LPRT will leave the air when CBMN-1230 moves to FM.
- 1230 CBMN QC Malarctic LPRT granted CP to move to 101.1 MHz FM.

Nigel Pimblett in CIDX Messenger says CFCW-790 is set to move to 840 kHz in August.

And here are some AM Radio Log updates from Wayne Heinen:

- **OR Ashland** Slogan to "96.1 The Bull," adds // K241CA-96.1. 580 KTMT
- 590 WWLX TN Lawrenceburg – Slogan to "105.3 The X," adds // W287AA-105.3.
- **UT** Sandy Networks to RA/MitD. 630 KTKK
- **UT** North Salt Lake City Deletes // KEGH-107.1. **700 KALL**
- TX Universal City Slogan to "Ranchero 104.1." (CK) **720 KSAH**
- **780 WXME ME Monticello** Networks to Fox/MitD.
- 800 KVOM AR Morrilton Format to C&W (ex-SPT); slogan to "The Best Country Around," delete networks.
- 930 WIZR **NY Johnstown** – Format to OLD/TLK (ex-OLD); networks to Ap/MRN/MitD.
- 990 WXCT **Southington** – Format to OLD (ex-SS:Tropical); slogan to "Good Times – Great Oldies," adds // WACM-1490, deletes // WSPR-1207.
- 1000 WROR TN Paris – Format to OLD (ex-Rock/OLD); slogan to "Good Time Oldies."
- 1010 CFRB **ON Toronto** – Networks to CP/MitD.
- 1050 KCAA **CA** Loma Linda – Networks to Sw/CM/WW1/LCL/MitD.
- 1070 KSKK MN Verndale – Format to AC (ex-TLK/C&W); slogan to "The Arrow," nets to C.
- **AK** Anchorage Networks to Fox/SRN/CMP/TRN/WW1/MitD. 1080 KOAN
- CA Fortuna Slogan to "La Nueva 1090 y 1310," adds // KFVR-1310. 1090 KNCR
 - WHGG TN Kingsport Slogan to :Love FM," adds // W262CH-100.3, delete networks.
- **PA Bethlehem** Format to OLD/AC (ex-OLD/AC/TLK); networks to IRN/WW1. 1100 WGPA
- **NY St. Johnsville** Format to OLD/TLK (ex-Rock/OLD); nets to A/WW1/MitD. 1120 WKAJ
- TN Maryville Format to NWS (ex-SPT); slogan to "1120 News Now," nets to A. WKCE
- TX Converse Slogan to "La Radio de la Raza." (CK) 1130 KTMR
- 1150 CKOC **ON Hamilton** – Format to OLD/SPT (ex-OLD).
- 1160 KFXE **IA** Waukon – Slogan to "K-Fox Sports."
- 1180 KERN **CA Wasco-Greenacres** – Add network MitD.
- **NM Albuquerque** Format to SPT/TLK (ex-REL); networks to FSR/MitD. 1190 KXKS
- **1200 WZPS WV Huntington** – Slogan to "Spirit 1200."

1430 WKOX MA Everett – Format to TLK/SPT (ex-SS:AC); slogan to "Talk 1430," networks to P/Ru/CM/FSR. (KK)

MO St. Louis - Slogan to "Cool Oldies." **KZQZ**

1440 WMKM MI Inkster – Slogan to "Gospel 1440." (HS) WHDM TN McKenzie – Slogan to "Good Time Oldies."

1450 WWKU KY Plum Springs – Adds // W274BQ-102.7; delete Group- // ESPNKY. (JJR)

KWBE NE Beatrice – Format to OLD (ex-TLK); slogan to "Cool Gold."

1480 WRSW IN Warsaw – Adds // W259BJ-99.7.

WIOS MI Tawas City-East Tawas – Format to TLK (ex-NOS/TLK).WGFY NC Charlotte – Format to REL (ex-KID); delete networks.

WCNS PA Latrobe – Format to OLD (ex-NOS); slogan "The New Sound of Oldies." (SK)

1490 KOWL CA South Lake Tahoe – Slogan to "The Owl 1490."

KLZN CA Susanville – Adds // K257EK-99.3.

WKBV IN Richmond – Networks to WW1/Ist/ESPN/Bf. (JJR)

WKYW KY Frankfort - Slogan to "Passport Radio," adds // W228CL-93.5.

WACM MA West Springfield – Format to OLD (ex-SS:Tropical); slogan to "Good Times – Great Oldies," adds // WXCT-990.

NY Amsterdam – Format to Rock/OLD:TLK (ex-Rock/OLD); nets A/WW1/MitD. WCSS

NY Watkins Glen – Format to C&W (ex-SPT); slogan to "Classic Country," nets to WRCE WW1/PRN.

1500 WKAX AL Russellville – Slogan to "Radio Bama."

WSMX NC Winston-Salem – Format to UC:OLD (ex-OLD); slogan to "The Beach."

1520 KSIB IA Creston – Delete // KSIB-FM-101.3.

1540 KEDA TX San Antonio – Delete // K272EK-102.3; Slogan & Group to // Radio Jalapeño.

1570 WILO IN Frankfort – Delete // W228CX-93.5.

1600 WARU IN Peru – Slogan to "Sparkle 101.9."

WPDC PA Elizabethtown – Format to OLD (ex-SPT); delete slogan, networks.

1680 KGED CA Fresno – Networks to SRN/CM/DR/Ing/WW1/MitD.

1690 WPTX MD Lexington Park – Networks to A/CM/Mt/BTR/WW1. (SK)

1700 WRCR NY Ramapo – Slogan to "Radio Rockland," networks to IRN.

From Radio Insight

Art Bell's return to radio with "Midnight In The Desert" was set to be an online-only affair, but demand has led to Bell picking up fifteen terrestrial affiliates and two shortwave stations. Bell is requiring any station that picks up his show to adhere to very strict terms. Stations must carry Midnight In The Desert live in its entirety from 12am-3am Eastern Monday through Friday. Stations may only break for two minutes at :58 and 1:28 of the show for local ads. They cannot stream the program nor offer it as a podcast, as Bell will be offering it via a premium subscription. Despite these, and a few other terms, there have been stations to sign-up for the new show. (Stations are shown in our listing as MitD and to avoid confusion Coast to Coast with George Noory is now listed as C2C wh)

Group Deletion

//ESPNKY – Although there is an active website, I can't find any evidence that all the stations listed actually simulcast or use multiple station ID's. – WH

Group Amendment

// Christian 84 – Adds W277CS-103.3

New Group

// Country 1400 – KJDY-1400, KJDY-FM-94.5, K229AX-93.7

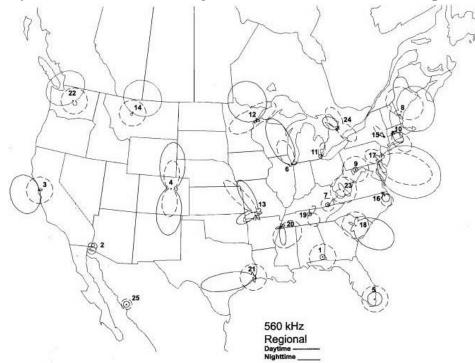
// NewsTalk 106.5 FM – KSMD-1300, KAWW-1370, K293CE-106.5 (GC)

// Radio Jalapeño – KEDA-1540, K260CC-99.9, K272EK-102.3

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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: To the United States, \$22.95 for members, \$28.95 for non-members (add \$4.00 for

Priority Mail delivery to U.S. addresses only). To Canada \$36.25; airmail outside of U.S. and Canada \$41.75. For those outside the U.S., use PayPal or a postal money order in U.S. funds only. Order from NRC, P.O. Box 473251, Aurora CO 80047-3251 or www.nrcdxas.org. Colorado residents, please add 3.5% sales tax.

Domestic DX Digest - EAST

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REPORTERS

HF-MI Harold Frodge, Midland – Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 65 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW

HJH-PA Harry Hayes, Wilkes-Barre – Grundig S350, Kiwa Pocket Loop

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

TLK-FL Terry Krueger, Clearwater – NRD-525, roof dipole, active loop

PS-ON Paul Snider, Welland – ICOM R75, Pixel RF Pro-1B Loop, MFJ-1020C tuner

PS-ON1 Paul Snider, Sault Ste. Marie – C. Crane Skywave

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

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1160 UNID NC - 7/11 0546 – Surely either WYDU-Red Springs (ex-WTEL) or WWQT-Tryon; both are gospel format, one at 250 watts, the other 500 watts night powers. Female at tune-in, "... here on W--- the pride of North Carolina," into gospel vocal, and then lost. Not sure that was an official

TIS/HAR

slogan; if so, not listed as such for either station. (TLK-FL)

MA Springfield – 7/10 2245 – Springfield Armory National Historical Park TIS, barely audible, looped (10 min) tourist information. Heard giving directions with mentions of Interstate 91, historical information, a

closing date of 1968, and Springfield Armory. Very, very poor mixing

with WQFG689 (see below). (PS-ON)

WQFG689 NJ Jersey City – 7/9 0046 – Broadcasting NOAA weather, nautical/marine forecast and possibly contact information. Very, very poor mixing with Springfield Armory National Historical Park TIS. Thanks to Bruce Conti

in Nashua, NH & John Bolduc in Londonderry, NH for their help to ID

this station. (PS-ON)

LOGGINGS

Wausau – 6/29 2304 – News including item on escaped NY convict Sweat, local weather, WSAU ID at 2305, into Joe Paggs show. Good and

on its own. (PS-ON1)
580 WTCM MI Traverse City – 6/29

Traverse City – 6/29 2323 – Employment talk, long string of ads/PSAs: Grand Traverse Collision, COPD, Serve.gov, Blinds.com, ADAM (American Divorce Association for Men, adamnorthernmichigan.com), "News talk 580, we are equal time" slogan. Good to poor with some

fading. (PS-ON1)

WHP PA Harrisburg – 7/6 2246 – Talk, WHP ID at 2247 into ads including prescription drugs & taxes, and Harrisburg car dealer. Fair to very poor

fighting with CKWW-Windsor. (**PS-ON**)

610 KDAL MN Duluth – 6/29 2340 – Ground Zero, Blinds.com ad and others, promo mentioning KDAL at 2350, job site promo, more promos mentioning

KDAL. Good to poor. (PS-ON1)

670 WWFE FL Miami – 6/12 0501 – In multi-station mix with SS programs, legal ID by male in EE: "This is WWFE 6-70 AM Miami." **(KK-VA)**

WIEZ PA Lewiston – 6/12 0559 – In multi-station mix with "WIEZ Lewiston, Huntingdon, State College, AM 6-70" ToH ID into ABC news. (KK-VA)

WRJR VA Claremont – 6/12 0604 – In multi-station mix (WWFE, WIEZ, WSCR and UNID preaching) with Hispanic male speaking EE: "This is

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| | | | WRJRClaremont Virginia," presume same was repeated in Spanish. |
| | | | New station for me. (KK-VA) |
| 730 | WZGV | NC | Cramerton – 6/19 0500 – In WTNT mix with male "This is Charlotte's |
| | | | sports information source WZGVESPN 7-30 Charlotte" ToH ID. |
| - 40 | 14101/7 | | (KK-VA) |
| 740 | WCXZ | TN | Harrogate – 6/19 0515 – In multi-station mix (CFZM, WPAQ, WRNR, |
| | | | UNID preaching, sports talk and SS stations) with ID as "You're |
| | | | listening to continuous country favorites on 74 WCXZ." New station for |
| 700 | TAT A ED | D A | me. (KK-VA) |
| 790 | WAEB | PA | Allentown – 6/27 0459 – In multi-station mix (WVCD, UNID oldies, |
| | | | ESPN, SS stations, and Cuban R. Reloj) with Coast to Coast AM and station promo: "Around town and around the worldavailable |
| | | | anywhere you wantnews radio 7-90 WAEB Allentown" (KK-VA) |
| 800 | WSHO | LA | New Orleans – 7/10 0559 – In multi-station mix (WTMR, CKLW, WSVS, |
| 000 | Wollo | LIX | WCHA) with female, "What's on your radio the stuff you want," |
| | | | male, " to your heard this is son shine 800 WSHO" into Gospel |
| | | | reading. New station for me. (KK-VA) |
| | WTMR | NJ | Camden – 7/10 0600 – In multi-station mix with "WTMRWhere the |
| | | ., | Master ReignsCamden" ToH ID. New station for me. (KK-VA) |
| 840 | WKDI | MD | Denton - 7/10 0545 - In multi-station mix (WHAS, WKTR, Cuban |
| | | | CMHW and UNID singing) with station promo: "broadcastMondays |
| | | | at840 WKDIyour ministry station." New station for me. (KK-VA) |
| 930 | WEOL | OH | Elyria – 6/30 2330 – "930 WEOL" ID at 2330, into Jim Bohanan show. |
| | | | Poor to very poor. (PS-ON1) |
| 950 | WCTN | MD | Potomac-Cabin John – 7/8 2245 – Radio Zindagi program (Hindi radio |
| | | | program), 2248 "You are listening to Radio Zindagi," back to more |
| | | | Hindi music with announcements in between, "WCTN Potomac-Cabin |
| | | | John" ID at 2258, back to R Zindagi with more ads, etc. Mostly good to |
| 1000 | TA/NITA/T | TT | poor with little interference from WWJ. (PS-ON) |
| 1080 | WNWI | IL | Oak Lawn – 7/3 0030 – Music, American Stroke Association PSI, at 0032 |
| | | | a promo mentioning WNWI, into more music. Fair to very poor with deep fades mixing with partially nulled WTIC. (PS-ON1) |
| 1150 | WHBY | WI | Kimberly – 7/3 0049 – Ground Zero, promos including one for the |
| 1150 | WIIDI | **1 | WHBY Morning show. Good to poor fighting with CKOC (mostly on |
| | | | top). (PS-ON1) |
| 1230 | WFAS | NY | White Plains – 7/5 2100 – ID as "News Talk 1230 WFAS" fair over |
| | | | WCMC-NJ pest. (HJH-PA) |
| 1240 | WJEJ | MD | Hagerstown – 6/13 2235 – In with nostalgia format. ID as "You're |
| | | | listening to the sounds of yesterday, WJEJ Hagerstown." WBAX local off |
| | | | but back on shortly after this reception. (HJH-PA) |
| | WRTA | PA | Altoona – 6/7 2205 – In briefly with call ID during promo. Local WBAX |
| | | | off. (HJH-PA) |
| 1250 | WSSP | WI | Milwaukee – 6/30 2346 – Sports show, ID at 2350 "105.7 WSSP, |
| | | | Milwaukee," Brewers post game show. Fair to poor mixing with EWTN |
| 1000 | 1471 137D | D.A | station (WHHQ, Bridgeport, MI?) (PS-ON1) |
| 1280 | WHVR | PA | Hanover – 6/22 0625 – Over usual WHTK-Rochester with local weather, |
| | Real Country | | ad for Diamonds and Designs Jewelers in Hanover, promo for "Ask the Governor" Q&A show with PA Gov. Tom Wolfe. (MKB-ON) |
| \mathcal{I} | MHVK | +++ | - ID as "Real Country WHVR" during brief reception during WADO- |
| 100 | 0 444 | | NY fade. New and one of my closest holdouts. It took 45 years to finally |
| 120 | MA O | | hear this one! (HJH-PA) |
| | WNAM | WI | Neenah-Menasha – 7/1 0004 – Smokers insurance ad, WNAM promos, |
| | | | WNAM weather centre weather, WNAM jingle, into oldies music |
| | | | ("Kisses Sweeter Than Wine" by Jimmy Rodgers). Fair to poor. (PS- |
| | | | ON1) |
| 1290 | WHKY | NC | Hickory - 7/11 2203 - ID as "WHKY Hickory" clearly heard through |
| | | | many others. Too weak to note any program details. (HJH-PA) |
| 1360 | WTAQ | WI | Green Bay – 7/1 0030 – Radio advertising ad, show promo, ID at 0032 |
| | | | "on 1360, 97.5 WTAQ," weather report from Fox 11 meteorologist, into |
| 1.400 | TATO T 7 T | N ST | Ground Zero. Fair to poor. (PS-ON1) |
| 1480 | WGVU | MI | Kentwood – 7/1 0047 – Female announcer mentioning member |
| | | | supported radio, "Real Oldies 1480 and 850" slogan, "Maggie May" by |
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| | | | nou stewart, summer white by train smatta. Good to poor mixing |
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| | | | with unknown Spanish station. Song info jives with WGVU.org website. |
| | | | (PS-ON1) $WGVU's$ format is a curious mix of NPR and oldies! Mike. |
| 1490 | WBTA | NY | Batavia – 7/12 2100 – ID heard, "WBTA 1490 and 100.1" then into Lou |
| | | | Rawls song "You're Going To Miss My Loving" (HJH-PA) |
| 1520 | WMLM | MI | Saint Louis – 7/1 0100 – News, ID at 0104: "Celebrating 30 years playing |
| | | | country music 1520 WMLM," PSAs for debt advice and Ready.gov, |
| | | | "Real country on WMLM 1520," into older C&W song. Good to poor |
| | | | mixing with unknown talk station. (PS-ON1) Yes, they are in St. Louis, |
| | | | MICHIGAN, not Missouri. Must give the USPS fits! Mike. |
| 1550 | WMRE | WV | Charles Town - 7/9 2251 - Sports talk, Fox Sports non IDs, Geico |
| | | | motorcycle insurance ad, "Sports Talk 1550" slogan at 2259, followed by |
| | | | ToH WMRE ID. Very poor, mostly buried by CBEF and mixing with |
| | | | WDLR. (PS-ON) |
| 1590 | WCGO | IL | Evanston – 7/1 2354 – Sounded like Arabic music continuous till 0000, |
| | | | heard ToH WCGO ID twice in the mush, back to unknown language. |
| | | | Fair to very poor mixing with oldies station (WGBW?). (PS-ON1) |
| | WGGO | NY | Salamanca – 6/17 2308 – Heard with WEHH/WGGO ID at 2308, intro |
| | | | into some easy listening music, lost shortly thereafter to WAKR and |
| | | | others. Good to very poor. (PS-ON) |
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WRDW

WRCR

1630

1700

ad for stamps.com. Poor, fighting with KCJJ. (**PS-ON**) **Ramapo** – 7/12 2239 – Tuned in to WRCR ID at 2239, weather & mention of WRCR.com, "Follow You Down" by the Gin Blossoms, "Sad Eyes" by Robert John, "There's more music just ahead on 1700 WRCR" at 2248, "Recover" by Chvrches (not a spelling error), "News, traffic, weather, music on 1700 WRCR" at 2251. Good to fair on its own. Newly moved from 1300 kHz. (**PS-ON**)

Augusta – 7/9 025 – Talk, some ads, ID at 0030 as "News, talk WRDW,"

Rod Stewart, "Summer Wind" by Frank Sinatra. Good to poor mixing

- 7/14 2002 – EZL pop music; WRCR.com spot into local weather with Mark Hancock; "Radio unscripted, AM 1700 WRCR" ID. Well on top at tune-in and completely disappeared after 3 minutes, possibly power drop. (HF-MI)

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NY

- 7/16 2205 – Clear but fading with Rockland Boulders minor league baseball, trailing the New Jersey Jackals 10-6 after 8 innings, "WRCR Ramapo" ID, ad for Dominican College during break between 8th and 9th inning. //WRCR.com web stream. (MKB-ON)

NOAA Space Weather Outlook

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Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels with a chance for C-class flares and a slight chance for M-class flares from July 13-15. Very low to low activity is expected from July 16-26 after Region 2381 rotates around the west limb. Activity is expected to increase to low levels with a chance for M-class flares for the remainder of the period as old Region 2378 (S15, L=084) and Region 2381 return to 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 on July 13. Moderate to high levels are expected from July 14-17 following coronal hole high-speed stream (CH HSS) effects. Normal to moderate levels are expected to return from July 18-August 2. Moderate to high levels are expected again from August 3-5 followed by a return to normal to moderate levels from August 6-8.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on July 13-14 due to residual CH HSS effects. Mostly quiet conditions are expected from July 15-30. Quiet to active levels are expected from July 31-August 2 with minor storm levels expected on August 1 due to a recurrent negative polarity CH HSS. Mostly quiet conditions are expected to return from August 3-5. Active to minor storm conditions are expected from August 6-7 due to a positive polarity CH HSS followed by quiet to unsettled conditions on August 8 as effects subside.

Domestic DX Digest - WEST

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Loggings of U.S./Canadian stations heard by DXers in the Central, Mountain, and Pacific time zones

REPORTERS

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.

John Reed, Shawnee, OK. NRD-525 with Pühler Electronics 70.455 roofing filter, Eska JR-OK post IF filter board, quiet display power supply and numerous other mods. Antennas: Homebrew tuned ferrite loops, Clifton Labs active whip, phaser.

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

NK-IL Neil Kazaross (KAZ), Barrington IL. Perseus and 2 element DKAZ phased array with beam steered ENE.

RD-IA1 Rick Dau, at the Clarion Hotel in Davenport, IA. Sangean ATS-909X barefoot. Rick Dau, at the Cooper's Mill Best Western near downtown Cedar Rapids, IA. RD-IA2

RD-NE Rick Dau, South Omaha, NE.

SMA-MB Shawn M. Axelrod VE4DX1SMA, VEPC4SWL, Winnipeg, MB. Icom ICR70/Drake R8 3-foot un-amplified box loop/Quantum QX LOOP v2.0/155-foot U shaped outdoor wire/100-foot indoor wire run around the basement walls/MFJ 1026 Phasing unit.

STATION NEWS

1330 KPTY IA

Waterloo - Station has dropped the KWLO calls that it had for the past 35 years and replaced them with these. New format is also on, Top 40/CHR, as a 100% simulcast of K297BS 107.3, and is now identifying as "107.3 The Party." More info is at https://radioinsight.com/blog/headlines/93504/party-is-on-in- waterloo. The translator must be VERY new, as no mention of it is even made THE PARTY yet on radio-locator.com. Confirmed by me with this format and CLs during an overnight stay in Cedar Rapids on July 14. (RD-IA2) Translator filed for license to cover on July 8, so yes, very new. - DY

NE Omaha - Station was purchased by Walnut Radio, LLC from previous owner 1490 KOMJ



Ted Tucker in late 2014. "Magic 1490" was replaced on January 7 with "Boomer 1490." The new format now has more of an emphasis on mid-1960s through mid-1980s pop oldies, rather than the MOR/NOS format that "Magic 1490" had (the occasional Sinatra and Bennett songs are still thrown in, though, from time to time, for good measure). Station is live during morning drive, off satellite the

rest of the time, but it still sounds a ton better than its predecessor. (RD-NE)

1630 KCJJ



Iowa City – Has moved back to its previous address located roughly 4 miles south of Iowa City's city limits after having been situated on Quarry Road in neighboring Coralville since 2007. Station owner "Captain" Steve Bridges, in anticipation of retiring from radio in 2017, had been in negotiations with the city of Coralville to sell the station to the city, but their ultimate refusal to buy the station led him to renovate the old studios and move back in, which it officially did on June 15. Mailing address is P.O. Box 2118, Iowa City, IA 52244. The station's studios are once again at 4404 Napoleon Street SE in rural Iowa City (where the transmitter and towers are, as well). Office phone number is just as it was before 2007, 319-354-1242. (RD-NE)

DX Logs

540 KWMT IA Fort Dodge - 7/3 0112 - English talk from NNE/SSW, seems news week-inreview; 0114 mentions Iowa and KWMT ID. Most unusual to hear Fort Dodge in the clear at night; no XEWA, XETX, KDFT or CBK. In the daytime on 5 kW groundwave it's constantly clashing underneath KDFT. Night power is 170 watts, and it is aimed southward. (GH-OK)

550 KTRS MO St. Louis - 7/8 0205 - Missouri and Illinois news by guy with a Britishish accent. I wish I could place it exactly, not Queen's. Then KTRS Forecast from St Louis; outroed his name but hard to catch, maybe something like Trevor

- Phillips Ford? And into Jim Bohannon. Searching on Trevor Phillips leads to a report on Ferguson he did from KTRS for WFLA in Florida. (GH-OK)
- **680 CJOB MB Winnipeg** 7/6 0206 Tune in just at right time to hear "Coast to Coast on 680 CJOB." Night pattern is supposed to go entirely NNE, while day pattern has a little tail to the south; hmmm. **(GH-OK)**
- **740 KRMG OK Tulsa** 6/12 0127 Surprised to hear 'Silent Night' playing 6 months out of synch, maybe something CFMZ would do? No, it's only KRMG Tulsa and playing a bit of it again at 0129 apparently bookending a talk show segment, Dennis? 6/18 0919 With flood warnings around Tulsa, ID only as "News 102-3 KRMG" so I expect the useless 50 kW AM station to be demolished any minute now. **(GH-OK)**
- **750 KSEO OK Durant** 7/5 1350 Oldies with call ID and location as Texoma area. Good signal for only 220 watts. **(JR-OK)**
- **780 WBBM IL** Chicago 7/17 0149 Yes, WBBM is still breaking away from all-FM news, for an old-time radio drama hour at midnight, stilted narration of some mystery/crime show on weeknights, while WGN-720 does it on Sunday nights. (GH-OK)
- **790 KXXX KS Colby** 7/15 0748 Oakley and Colby spots; weather; "Your Brand of Country K-Triple X" ID at 0752 and into a Jerry Lee Lewis song. Fair/good, no QRM. (JW-CO)
- 890 KVOZ TX Del Mar Hills 7/4 0133 Spanish preacher with directions to churches in San Benito and Harlingen; dominating, and when nulled I don't get WLS, but R. Progreso, Cuba music // much weaker 900; so this is KVOZ. Del Mar Hills is a Laredo suburb, way up the Rio from the RGV origination on 1210. (GH-OK)
- 970 WHA WI Madison 7/14 1659 Fair with discussion between co-hosts Rob Ferrett and Veronica Rueckert during program "Central Time." (RD-IA2)
- NM Los Ranchos de Albuquerque 6/14 0204 Ads including one for custom shirts, 0205 non-ID sounds like 'Red Eye 1050,' and into 'Red Eye Radio'. Loops east-west, holding own at first against XEG Monterrey, then still audible with XEG nulled as much as possible, somewhat clockwise from there. Only 1050 on the RER affiliate roster is KTBL, and station website confirms it's scheduled, despite also being on parent station 770 KKOB; why? Why not? In OKC it's on both 1640 and 1520. (GH-OK)
- **1050 WGRI OH Cincinnati** 7/14 0117 Atop briefly with bits of liner read by female: "...WGRI...1050...soul and inspiration." **(RD-IA1)**
- **1070 KSKK MN Verndale** 7/9 2320 Fair to good signals on top with AC music and ID as "The Arrow." Over WTSO most of the time. New calls, new format, and new for me in July! And the hits keep coming even in July! **(SMA-MB)**
- 1110 KFAB NE Omaha 7/14 1708 Weak to fair with phone number of 402-558-1110 heard during live afternoon talk program hosted by Chris Baker. No sign of WMBI, which is normally on top of KFAB during the daytime in Iowa City. (RD-IA2)
- 1140 KSOO SD Sioux Falls 6/26 2156 Baseball in English from N/S, mentioning players by name, Schumaker, Presley, Robinson; score Reds 10, Twins 8 on Twins Baseball, and 2157 ID "1140 KSOO" so that's Sioux Falls, my third SD station, in a few minutes after sunset. (GH-OK)
- 1190 WOWO IN Fort Wayne 7/14 0611 Just a few minutes before Fort Wayne's sunrise pattern switch time for July, was getting this with a good signal. Morning show host Charlie Butcher was mentioning flood warnings for Delaware, Jay, and Wells Counties. Mucho thanks go out to Blaine Thompson for an outstanding tour of the WOWO studios during the NRC/IRCA convention. (RD-IA1)
- **1230 KEXO CO Grand Junction** 7/8 0759 Legal ID at 0759:54: "KEXO Grand Junction, Western Colorado's Sports Leader, ESPN Radio 1230 and online at ???espn.com." Fair/poor in QRM. **(JW-CO)**
- **1230 KFUN** NM Las Vegas 7/8 0752 "New Mexico's Fun Country KFUN" ID, then C&W music. Fair signal, mixing with others. Obliterated by 0800 sign-on and IBOC of local KLDC-1220. (JW-CO)
- **1240 KBIZ IA Ottumwa** 7/14 1633 Good with promo for the Davis County Fair. **(RD-IA2)**
- **1240.19 KCRT** CO Trinidad 6/23 0859 Legal ID for AM 1240 and FM 91.3. Poor as usual, in spite of being easily separable on USB from the 1240 group. (JW-CO)
- **1270 KNWC SD Sioux Falls** 6/29 2153 Prayer in English; recently discovered KFLC Fort Worth in English, but Univisión América would not be religious; instead it's

certainly this, "Faith 12-70," at SSS as I just got KKAA SD too; and this was N/S, vs KTUZ Mexican music from E/W. (GH-OK)

- 1270 KFLC

 TX

 Benbrook 6/22 2137 Talk show in English, what's this? Phone 800-522-1235, immediately cut to Univisión América ID in Spanish and PSAs in Spanish for US Army from Ad Council, et al. Good steady signal, loops SSE/NNW, so obviously KFLC. I didn't realize UA actually had shows in English, which resumes at 2141 callers from various states refer to host as Fernando but he has no accent. At 2144 signal suddenly drops, but still audible sufficiently; 2145 drops off completely, ceding 1270 to Spanish music no doubt from KTUZ. Not so much as an adiós. But I can still hear KFLC at peaks by nulling KTUZ at quite a different angle. 2145 is indeed the official sunset for June and July, when KFLC decimates its power and adds two towers for a total of six to make the rather tight night pattern, east-west; while day pattern is broader with major lobe east, minor west (but plenty to the NNW, evidently). (GH-OK)
- 1320 WILS MI Lansing 7/14 0621 Very good with "WILS" ID heard during promo for Sean Hannity weekdays from 3 to 6. After 0700, this channel was taken over by nearby KMAQ, which is noticeably off frequency right now. (RD-IA1)
- **1340 KROS IA Clinton** 7/14 1723 Very good with closing financial markets, then promo for Jonathon Brandmeier Show: "Drive home with Johnny B weekdays from 3 to 6 on 1340 KROS." **(RD-IA2)**
- **1400 KEYE TX Perryton** 7/7 0759 ToH legal ID, followed by "Your Country KEYE local news"; top story was about the rebuilding of the high school parking lot. Rough in QRM (KJOL and others). (**JW-CO**)
- **1410 WIZM WI La Crosse** 7/14 1732 Fair with time check by male: "Good afternoon, Wizzum Newstime is 4:32." **(RD-IA2)**
- 1460 KZUE OK El Reno 6/16 1730 SS Mexican music and location as El Reno with ID "La Tremenda." This station is difficult for me since it's next to local KGFF which is ½ mile from my location. This is a good test for the receiver's front end. My modified NRD-525 was able to bring it in about as well as a Racal RA6793A which has a very strong front end. (JR-OK)
- **1470 WBKV WI West Bend** 7/14 0729 Good with 80s hit "Who's Crying Now" by Journey, then "WBKV" ID heard at the start of local newscast. **(RD-IA1)**
- **TX** Sherman 6/29 0820 "Amos 'n' Andy" from north/south, just about to fade out an hour after sunrise apparently the originals rather than the also late Ed Bolton's recreations, which were only on WBCQ? Surely it's our nearest 1500 to the south, KJIM, nostalgia. **(GH-OK)**
- 1530 WCKG IL Elmhurst 7/14 0804 Fair with local talk program hosted by female announcer, with news about nuclear deal with Iran being discussed. Confirmed via webstream, which was about 20 seconds behind. Was sure I heard a mention of "Progressive Radio Network" from WCKG at 0744, but I can find no connection to that network on WCKG's website, so the mention must have been from someone else. (RD-IA1)
- **1580 WHLY IN South Bend** 7/14 0021 Briefly atop with "...La Raza...catorce sesenta... quince ochenta..." heard during SS liner, so simulcast of WKAM-1460 is still going. Confirmed via webstream, which was about 15 seconds behind. **(RD-IA1)**
- 1580 WWTF KY Georgetown 6/28 0600 Poor signals alone but with lots of static with Fox Sports programming. ID on the hour as Fox Sports 1580 W-TF. has to be them no other matches. New and very unexpected! So who says there is no DX in the summer? Sometimes you are better off lucky than skilled in this hobby. (SMA-MB)
- **1590 KWEY OK Weatherford** 6/27 1342 Fox sports talk with ads for Weatherford area. Weak, but signal was steady and mostly readable. **(JR-OK)**
- **1600** KRVA TX Cockrell Hill 6/25 0851 Vietnamese is about to fade out, i.e. skywave from KRVA, a sesquihour after sunrise; only other remnant is Spanish on 1440, KTNO. (GH-OK)
- **1620 WNRP FL Gulf Breeze** 7/13 2314 Topping channel during heavy (K = 6) auroral conditions with ads for Bob Tyler Toyota and Eddie Mercer Automotive of Pensacola, then mention of WEAR Channel 3 in promo. First Florida entry in the Davenport logbook. **(RD-IA1)**
- **1670 WUSW WI Madison** 7/16 0400 Fair signals with CBS Sports programming. Still using The Zone slogan. New call signs ex WOZN now using WUSW call signs. New.

This one was easier than I thought. They are the main station heard on the frequency most nights. (SMA-MB)

UNID

580 UNID 7/7 0152 – As I null WIBW and XEMU(?) trying to get the latter, a third weak station is heard, in English, with gospel music. The only religious 580 stations in the NRC AM Log 2014 are possibilities here: KSAZ in AZ, and KJMJ in LA, but both are supposedly Spanish. (GH-OK) [Hi Glenn, KJMJ is English with Radio Maria network religious programming. 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, IL, ABDX via DXLD)]

1500 UNID

6/26 2150 – Some classic rock, soon fading into CCI, looping as best I can make it, ESE/WSW, which unfits for KJIM Sherman TX nostalgia; and every daytimer east of here should be off by now. Maybe someone is still on, like WTNE in Trenton TN, 250/6 watts, but 24 hour gospel per NRC AM Log. At least KPGM Pawhuska OK seems to be off after sunset now. (GH-OK)

1590 UNID 6/26 2210 – Preacher in Spanish about Exodus 27 & 28, loops east/west. There are several SS on 1590 but none seem to fit by direction, distance, format. (GH-OK)

1590 UNID

6/27 2154 – Gospel in English about Holy Spirit, loops about east-west like the Spanish I was getting almost 24 hours earlier. Greg Hardison reminds me that 1590 in Houston is now Spanish religion. Could be my DFing is getting skewed again. If it were Houston, they would have had to be on ND day pattern after sunset instead of night out into the Gulf (mutually protecting Great Bend which goes north?). At 2200, missed full ID (and could be a different station; meanwhile there was some sports talk at 2158) but at "9 pm" they do refer in English to 103.7 FM. I don't find any 1590/103.7 combo in the 2014 NRC AM Log. Anyone know of such a new match? (GH-OK) How about KGAS-1590 // K279CF-103.7 Carthage TX, ESPN – DY.

Thanks to all this issue's contributors. See you next issue. (JDT-WA)

Unreported Stations Update

No stations on the unreported list were reported to DDXD this issue (although WRCR, previously reported on 1300, is now reported on 1700). There



are 482 stations currently on the list of stations not reported to DDXD since at least Volume 67 (1999-2000): The latest full version of the list is in Issue #2 (available on e-DXN.com). See if you can report one next time!

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DDXD

// - Parallel to. :00 - On the hour. AC - Adult contemporary. AP - Associated Press. BBD - Big band. C&W - Country and western. CCR - Contemporary Christian radio. CHR - Contemporary hit radio. CID - Code ID. CL - Call letters. COL - City of license. EE - English. EZL - Easy listening. FF - French. GOS - Gospel. Hi - A joke; the ham radio equivalent of :-). LID - Legal ID (i.e., CL and COL near the ToH). LSR - Local sunrise. LSS - Local sunset. NBA - National Basketball Association. NFL - National Football League. NHL - National Hockey League. NPR - National Public Radio. OC - Open carrier. OLD - Oldies. PSRA - Pre-sunrise authority. PSSA - Post-sunset authority. QRM - Man-made interference (power lines, other stations, etc.). QRN - Natural interference (lightning, etc.). QTH - Location. REL - Religious. ROK - Rock'n'roll. RS - Regular schedule. \$ - Stereo. SID - Singing ID/jingle. SRS - Sunrise skip. SS - Spanish. SSB - "The Star-Spangled Banner." SSS - Sunset skip. TC - Time check. ToH - Top of the hour. TT - Test tones. UC - Urban contemporary. VID - Voice ID. WW1 - Westwood One.



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TRANS-ATLANTIC DX

- 531 **ALGERIA** *Jil FM*, F'kirina Wilaya d'Oum El Bouaghi JUL 3 0400 Fair; time signal, ID and jingle parallel 549 kHz. [Conti-NH]
- ALGERIA *Jil FM*, Les Trembles JUN 14 0215 Poor to fair; pop music and talk parallel a poor 531 kHz. JUL 3 0400 Good; time signal with *Jil FM* ID followed by *Jil FM* jingle into contemporary Arabic vocal. [Conti-NH]
- 621 **CANARY ISLANDS**//**SPAIN** *RNE1* synchros JUN 26 0116 Fast Spanish talk, bit of music; fair. 0131 woman in Spanish; noisy. [Connelly-MA]
- 783 **MAURITANIA** *R.Mauritanie*, Nouakchott JUN 26 0031 Bits of chant; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- 1422 **GERMANY** *Deutschlandfunk*, Heusweiler JUN 14 0220 Fair; classical music. [Conti-NH]
- 1521 **SAUDI ARABIA** *BSKSA* Duba JUN 26 0159 Man and woman in Arabic; to fair peak. [Connelly-MA]
- 1530 **SAO TOME E PRINCIPE** *VOA* Pinheira JUN 14 0259 Under WCKY; Yankee Doodle interval signal. [Conti-NH]

PAN-AMERICAN DX

- 530 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* Guantánamo JUN 1 0200 ID and usual nine-note sounder. [Wolfish-NS]
- MEXICO XETX Nuevo Casas Grandes, Chih. JUN 22 0530 Music and soon ID as "La Ranchera de Paquimé." 5 kW XETX continues to dominate the frequency instead of alleged 150 kW XEWA. Canned ID between all tunes. [Hauser-OK]
- MEXICO XEWA San Luís Potosí, SLP JUL 12 0548 Top-40 music beat, slightly clockwise from south, i.e. XEWA *Los 40 Principales*, rather than the usual dominator XETX *La Ranchera de Paquimé*. What's happened? [Hauser-OK]
- 539.87 **NICÁRAGUA** *R.Corporación*, Managua JUN 26 0500 Het against 540 unID and *R.Rebelde*; carrier cut at 0502 UTC. JUL 4 0500 Het against WLIE and *R.Rebelde*; carrier cut at 0500:40 UTC. [Conti-NH]
- MEXICO XEPL Cd. Cuauhtémoc, Chih. JUL 5 0557 ID for Cuauhtémoc, Chihuahua, 107.1 (?), "la Súper Estación, la frecuencia líder." XEPL, 5/0.15 kW per IRCA Mexican log 2014, and Cantú as of Feb 2015, but both with FM on 91.3. WTFDA database shows the only Chih on 107.1 is XHEHB in San Francisco del Oro, simulcasting 730 XEHB. Website www.xepl.com.mx still matches 91.3 XHEPL with 550 as secondary. [Hauser-OK]
- URUGUAY *R.Colonia*, Colonia del Sacramento JUN 1 0202 Faded up over Venezuela; Sousa march music briefly with ID and news headlines. Then ID by woman that is preceded by harp music fanfare (similar to what is on a YouTube clip and the harp music ID I heard last year in PEI). [Wolfish-NS]
- VENEZUELA YVKE *Mundial*, Caracas MAY 31 0058 Some kind of political message from Vladimir Padrino López (Minister of Defense) and other announcements. [Wolfish-NS]
- 560 **BRAZIL** unID JUN 1 0000 Initially strong with Portuguese talk. Sounds religious. [Wolfish-NS]
- GUYANA *Voice of Guyana*, Georgetown JUN 1 0030 South Asian music. ID by woman which also mentions 102.5 FM and 3.290 MHz shortwave. Man with announcement from Ministry of Agriculture about flood waters and the need to boil water. Woman listing a bunch of schools that will be closed on Monday due to flooding. [Wolfish-NS]
- MEXICO XESRD Santiago Papasquiaro, Dgo. JUL 16 1100 Full ID for "La Tremenda," and national anthem. 10/1 kW per Cantú and IRCA, which shows sign-on at 1200, which would be correct in winter. Have heard it a few times before but not a regular. [Hauser-OK]
- MEXICO XEMU Piedras Negras, Coah. JUL 7 0542 Mexican station underneath WIBW Topeka in 'Coast to Coast' about Bigfoot, and close to opposite, as if I null WIBW, I also null this. I am trying to re-reconfirm since late May that XEMU is still on the air, not yet abandoning AM for FM only as encouraged by the government and already removed from an official listing. It's tough to catch any details with WIBW dominant; eventually I might

- get something definite during a WIBW fade. At 0600, a tentative XEMU ID as WIBW is going to CBS bong and news. Generally, I suspect that XEMU may be underpowered now from listed 5/2.5 kW ND. Meanwhile with both of them nulled, I am hearing a third station. [Hauser-OK]
- **PUERTO RICO** WKAQ San Juan JUN 1 0200 Hourtop ID at end of talk program. Somebody else in here with piano jazz music. [Wolfish-NS]
- **MEXICO** XEFD Reynosa, Tamps. JUL 2 1101 Full ID, "info Rio Bravo," atop Omaha or anything else shortly before sunrise here at 1118 UTC. [Hauser-OK]
- **BRAZIL** ZYH920 *R.Mirante AM*, São Luís MAY 31 2358 Numerous ID's as "Mirante" (as well as some dead air) plus mentions of station's website into religious program at hourtop. [Wolfish-NS]
- **COLOMBIA** HJHJ *R.Libertad*, Barranquilla JUN 1 0148 Lively Latin American music. ID: "Radio Libertad su emisora informa la hora, son las ocho y cuarenta ocho horas... Radio Libertad." [Wolfish-NS]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, San Germán-Urbano Noris JUN 26 0130 Music, talk by woman, sped-up 9 note attention signal parallel 670 kHz. [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites JUN 1 0159 Usual Rebelde sounder audible in mess. [Wolfish-NS]
- MEXICO XEBX Sabinas, Coah. JUL 6 0525 "La Primera, son tres y cuarto" if I heard that right, automated time-checker is way off! But at 0552 back in whack with "BX, La Primera, 12:52." JUL 7 0554 Dominant over KCSP with Mexican music; 0606 ranchera, 0610 ID also for FM sounded like 107.9, and time check. Neither IRCA Log nor Cantú had an FM to go with this, but WRTH 2015 does: XHBX on 105.9, Sabinas, Coahuila. [Hauser-OK]
- MEXICO XEFB Monterrey, NL JUL 16 1103 Opening 'Radar 63' morning news, from "Grupo Radio México, Monterrey." Fair but never a big signal here; it's one of few Mexicans with a directional antenna. NRC Pattern Book shows at night, major lobe is due west; day pattern, probably on already, is broader to the southwest, and not a notch to the north, 10/10 kW. Its offspring, XEFB-TV has been a TV DX regular here for many years on channel 3 and then channel 2, "TELEACTIVA" tentatively seen as recently as June 17 before the Mexico digital transition. [Hauser-OK]
- **PUERTO RICO** WUNO San Juan JUN 1 0100 Hourtop ID listing stations in network and jingle. Mixing with a second Latin American station. [Wolfish-NS]
- **CUBA** *R.Progreso*, La Habana-Guanabacoa//Las Tunas JUN 26 0131 Onda de la Alegría slogan; over jumble. [Connelly-MA]
- **GUADELOUPE** *La Première*, Pointe-à-Pitre JUN 26 0201 Man in French; fair. [Connelly-MA]
- **MEXICO** XENQ *La NQ*, Tulancingo, Hgo. JUL 3 1045 End of Mexi-tune, "690 NQ" by man. [Krueger-FL]
- **COLOMBIA** HJKH, *RCN Antena Dos*, Bogotá JUN 26 0200 Antena Dos ID; dominant. [Connelly-MA]
- MEXICO XEACB Cd. Delicias, Chih. JUN 26 0603 Chihuahua state anthem. JUL 5 0600 Music is just finishing, not the national anthem, and full ID for 98.9 *La Lupe*, XHACB, "la estación líder del Grupo..." singing ID and stops; signing off? IRCA shows until 0700, but that could be non-DST winter timing. [Hauser-OK]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* multiple sites JUN 26 0131 Fanfare music, sports-related talk by man parallel 1180; good. [Connelly-MA]
- VENEZUELA YVLL *R.Rumbos*, Caracas MAY 31 0057 Uptempo Latin American music. ID: "Seiscientos setenta AM, Radio Rumbos." Promos for deportes and other programs on Radio Rumbos, "la AM que tu quieres escuchar." Disclaimer about the next program. [Wolfish-NS]
- **COLOMBIA** HJZO *Señal R.Colombia*, Barranquilla JUN 1 0100 Mixing with WAPA San Juan; station promo and talk. Also jazz music and talk at 0145 UTC. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** unID JUN 1 0200 Hourtop ID and a bit of "Anchors Away" music. [Wolfish-NS]
- **COLOMBIA** HJCZ *W Radio*, Bogotá JUN 26 0200 Woman and two men in Spanish with numerous local Colombia mentions. [Connelly-MA]
- MEXICO XEN México, DF JUL 6 0554 Obituary for Jacobo Zabludovsky, well-known news anchorman, formerly TV, and whose radio talk show in the afternoons had been replaying late at night on XEN, which is surely what I am hearing again now. He died July 2 at age 87. Obit from Raymie Humbert with some audio-video links in DXLD, www.w4uvh.net/dxld1526.txt. JUL 12 0600 Full ID for XEN in México DF, "100,000 watts," a Grupo Radio Centro station. Yes, but at night it's supposed to cut to only 5 kW. I

- wouldn't be surprised if it's more than that, as it easily dominates 690 over Cuba or anything else, such as the open carrier from KGGF. [Hauser-OK]
- 690 **MEXICO** XEMA *La Mejor*, Fresnillo, Zac. JUL 16 1114 "107.1 FM y 690 AM," roughly southwest, interference from another Spanish. By now it may be too late for DF or NL at lowband, and that FM/AM combo leads only to XEMA, 50/2 kW, and likely already on day power. Enid sunrise today is 1126 UTC, definitely latening past Solstice, currently at the rate of 5 minutes per week. [Hauser-OK]
- 700 **BRAZIL** unID MAY 31 2358 Light music with C&W guitars in it. Followed by Portuguese talk. Not sure if there was an ID. Good and alone. [Wolfish-NS]
- 700 **COLOMBIA** HJCX *W Radio*, Calí JUN 1 0158 Supertramp "My Kind of Lady" and ID: "El mundo en la W" into newscast. [Wolfish-NS]
- 700.9 **VENEZUELA** YVMH *R.Popular*, Maracaibo JUL 11 0200 Presumed this with a solid het against 700 WLW. [Conti-NH]
 - 710 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* multiple sites JUN 26 0200 Man and woman parallel 1180; under WOR. [Connelly-MA]
- MEXICO XEDP Cd. Cuauhtémoc, Chih. JUN 23 0607 "Soy Soldado" super-patriotic, militaristic recitation in progress and clearly audible. Not off-frequency tonight, and dominating channel with its alleged 100-watt night power (7 kW day). A few nights ago this was running before 0600, so sign-off time must vary widely (or is it just amid a 24-hour run?). JUN 26 0602 Quite a het on low side, 72 hours earlier was on-frequency. You'll recall we discovered in FCC Query data that XEDP has two different transmitter sites a considerable distance apart, ergo two different transmitters, one of which is off-frequency (it would be inconvenient to move it back and forth every few days). At 0604 I can make out the Mexican national anthem playing. Why don't KCMO and KGNC raise a ruckus about this? JUL 2 1108 "Soy Soldado" recitation; not off frequency and no het. We also hear this around 0600/local midnight, so presumably circa sign-off and sign-on; or every 5 or 6 hours too? JUL 4 0527 Running its off-frequency transmitter tonight, causing het to KCMO or whatever, but neither readable. [Hauser-OK]
- MEXICO XEDE Saltillo, Coah. JUL 6 0557 Full ID including: "La Kaliente, Grupo Imagen, Multimedia, 105.7 FM, y 720 AM, La Kaliente; Colonia Universitaria (o Universidad)." WGN has faded out at the moment, then comes back making slow SAH. Often it's the other way around, with WGN suffering the slow SAH from this. (I thought they said 103.7, but listed as 105.7 on FM). JUL 12 0554 Automated time check for 12:54, and 105.7 La Grande(?) ID, making 4 Hz SAH with WGN. Must have really said "La Kaliente" as this is surely still XEDE. [Hauser-OK]
- COLOMBIA HJCU *Cadena Melodia*, Bogotá MAY 31 0100 Latin American music and hourtop ID that mentions "capital de Colombia" and has xylophone-like sounder in it. [Wolfish-NS] JUN 26 0201 Chimes, Melodia ID. [Connelly-MA]
- PARAGUAY Cardinal AM, Asunción JUN 1 0030 Soccer match. Fast-talking announcer mentioned upcoming Copa America and "Deportivo Cardinal" a couple of times and there was also a "Cardinal siete trieinte AM" ID as well as a "Cardinal" jingle. All alone on frequency. [Wolfish-NS]
- 750 **BRAZIL** unID JUN 1 0000 Portuguese: ID that sounds like "Radio MBN." [Wolfish-NS]
- 760 **BRAZIL** ZYH588 *R.Uirapurú*, Fortaleza MAY 31 2357 Inspirational music and ID. [Wolfish-NS]
- 760 **COLOMBIA** HJAJ, *RCN*, Barranquilla MAY 31 0102 Fútbol and *RCN* promo. [Wolfish-NS]
- 770 **COLOMBIA** HJJX, *RCN*, Bogotá JUN 26 0200 "RCN Noticias" at 0200:52; over WABC. [Connelly-MA]
- 770 **VENEZUELA** YVKK *R.Nacional Venezuela*, Valencia MAY 31 0058 ID and talk by woman and time check by man. Over Colombia with fútbol (parallel to 760). [Wolfish-NS]
- MEXICO XEWGR Monclova, Coah. JUL 4 0531 Harp music making low audible het, which is all that WBBM can manage; presumably as previously reported caused by XEWGR around 779.93 kHz. Even when WBBM is audible, often marred by this. Right now, not much 720 WGN or 890 WLS either. [Hauser-OK]
- VENEZUELA YVMN *R.Coro*, Coro JUN 1 0057 ID: "Radio Coro patrimonio de la comunidad." Mixing with second Latin American station. [Wolfish-NS] JUN 26 0132 Excited male talk then old-style vocal; mixed with unID muffled audio talker (ZBVI?). [Connelly-MA]
- 790 **VENEZUELA** YVXM *R.Minuto*, Barquisimeto MAY 31 0029 Commercials and "Radio Minuto" ID's. [Wolfish-NS]

- **BONAIRE** PJB *TransWorld Radio*, Kralendijk JUN 26 0200 Woman "Radio Transmundial... desde Bonaire"; over others. [Connelly-MA]
- **BAHAMAS** ZNS3 Freeport JUL 10 0925-1105 Mixing with WGY, WEDO, WYRE, and WPIN. 0938 male, "1540 AM, 104 point 5 FM. The national voice of the Bahamas." [Krist-VA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJCY Caracol Radio, Bogotá JUN 26 0200 Caracol Radio ID; over jumble. [Connelly-MA]
- **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** HIJB Santo Domingo JUN 1 0100 Music, time check by announcer and legal ID. He also called the station "jota beh" into Spanish version of "Bridge over Troubled Water". [Wolfish-NS]
- ARGENTINA *R.Salta*, Salta JUN 1 0000 Promo for "El Magazine de la mañana" and ID, "Radio Salta, AM ocho cuarenta." Mixing with at least one other station. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYJ459 *Radio CBN*, Rio de Janeiro JUN 1 0147 Female announcer. [Wolfish-NS]
- MEXICO XENL Monterrey, NL JUL 6 0602 ID including "XENL, Radio Recuerdo, 860 AM y 103.7 HD3, cinco décadas, Multimedios." Listed as 5/2 or 5/1.5 kW; KKOW Kansas not a problem even nulling XENL, close to right angles. The FM upon which it is a mere HD3 signal is: XHFMTU-FM, 100 kW, Milenio Radio parallel AM 1090 on main channel per WTFDA database. [Hauser-OK]
- **ST. KITTS & NEVIS** *VON* Bath Village MAY 31 0100 In mess with "Powerhouse of the Caribbean" ID. [Wolfish-NS]
- **VENEZUELA** unID JUN 1 0100 Not sure which one: In mess with "ocho treinta" minutos time check and "aqui..." [Wolfish-NS]
- **CUBA** *R.Reloj*, multiple sites JUN 26 0132 Reloj ID, beep, "nueve y treinte dos minutos"; fair/dominant. [Connelly-MA]
- VENEZUELA unID JUN 1 0000 Under CFSX; not sure which one. Woman saying "ocha setenta." Also hearing a 7:30 time check, which would make it Venezuela. *R.Reloj* Cuba in here too. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYL275 *R.Inconfidência*, Belo Horizonte JUN 1 0000 Over WCBS; jazzy Latin American music and male announcer with talk and quick ID at hourtop. [Wolfish-NS]
- **VENEZUELA** *R.Paraguaná*, Punto Fijo JUN 1 0030 Spanish rock music, time check as 8:01, ID and jingle. Starting to fade down below WCBS. [Wolfish-NS]
- **VENEZUELA** YVLW *R.América*, Valencia JUN 1 0100 Latin American music, ID/jingle that mentions 72 (?) years of broadcasting, mentions of Carabobo and spots. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYI533 *O Liberal CBN*, Belém JUN 1 0030 ID and talk. [Wolfish-NS]
- **MEXICO** XEDT Cd. Cuauhtémoc, Chih. JUN 23 0604 Open FM STL noise dominates channel, loops southwest, no doubt the usual XEDT. [Hauser-OK]
- **MEXICO** XEOK Monterrey, NL JUL 2 1114 "Siempre 88-9" mentioned during national weather info from Culiacán to Mérida, 6:14 time check; plug for Oaxaca, 1116 song clip of "Day the Music Died" in English, "Siempre 88-9" again, informativo, fading. Loops south/southwest and I figure it's the usual XEOK, but what FM is it relaying? XHM in the DF, which is an Acir station, and confirming on siempre889.com/la-estacion/cobertura-nacional which however does not show the frequency for all of them. [Hauser-OK]
- **VENEZUELA** YVMD *Mara Ritmo* 900, Maracaibo MAY 31 0100 "Ocho y trenta minutes hora de Venezuela" time check, promo for Carabana de exitos and ID. Mixing with *R.Progreso* Cuba. [Wolfish-NS]
- **VENEZUELA** YVRQ Caracas JUN 26 0200 Signature doorbells, man in Spanish, tropical male vocal. Audio www.qsl.net/wa1ion/audio1/yv_910_20150626_0200z.mp3. [Connelly-MA]
- **BRAZIL** unID MAY 31 2359 Religious music. Male announcer; heard a man give frequency. [Wolfish-NS]
- **VENEZUELA** YVQX *R.Nueva Esparta*, Porlamar JUN 1 0200 Upfaded with Latin American music and ID, "Nueva Esparta nueve veinte AM." [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYJ453 *Super Rede Boa Vontade*, Rio de Janeiro MAY 31 2359 Religious music. Male announcer. [Wolfish-NS] JUN 26 0031 Man in Portuguese; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- **MEXICO** XEQ *Ke Buena*, México, DF JUN 14 0601 Partially copied full ID as "...AM ...50 mil wats ...estado de México," i.e. new identity as 'Ke Buena 940 AM'; heavy interference but no het with XEQ on frequency tonight. [Hauser-OK] JUN 20 1024 Local level with time checks, frequently alternating "940 AM" and "Ke Buena 940" slogans between Mexitunes. New-ish appended slogan, I think. [Krueger-FL] JUL 10 0300 On frequency, over/under WIPR and WMAC; *Ke Buena* jingle and canned ID, "940 AM... 50 mil wats de potencia... Ke Buena, 940 AM." [Conti-NH]

- **PUERTO RICO** WIPR *Máxima 940*, San Juan JUN 1 0058 "Máxima 940" ID at end of program. Hourtop legal ID. Jazz music. [Wolfish-NS] JUL 9 0401 Fair; canned hourly ID, "Escucha WIPR AM San Juan, Máxima 940..." and romantic ballads. [Conti-NH]
- **BRAZIL** unID MAY 31 2359 Romantic music. Male announcer. [Wolfish-NS]
- **COLOMBIA** HJHN *Caracol Radio*, Magangué JUN 1 0100 Fútbol. Same game as on 1170 kHz. *R.Reloj* Cuba in there too. [Wolfish-NS]
- **MEXICO** unID JUL 12 1018 Reggaeton and Spanish ballads, pointing north-central Mexico, but lost by 1030 UTC. [Krueger-FL]
- **U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS** WSTX Christiansted JUN 1 0030 Commercial for the Seaside Market & Deli, ID as "AM 970 WSTX," followed by reggae music. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYH707 *R.Nacional*, Brasilia JUN 1 0000 Hourtop ID and promos. [Wolfish-NS]
- **COLOMBIA** HJES, *RCN*, Cali MAY 31 0058 Same fútbol as on 760 and 770 kHz. Names of various players and mentions of Copa America. "Fútbol RCN, nuestro fútbol." [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYK522 *R.Record*, São Paulo JUN 26 0116 Bits of Portuguese talk by man; poor. [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJAQ *RCN* Cartagena JUN 1 0100 Fútbol. Banco Popular commercial. Mixing with another Latin American station. [Wolfish-NS]
- **VENEZUELA** YVNM *R.Mil La Caribeña*, Morón MAY 31 0057 Uptempo Latin American music. Time check by woman at 0103, "Ocho treinta tres minutos," and mention of fin de semana. JUN 1 0034 Time check and ID heard. [Wolfish-NS]
- BRAZIL ZYH625 *Radio CBN*, Fortaleza JUN 26 0030 Portuguese talk mixed with WINS, thanks to Rocco Cotroneo for ID help. Audio www.qsl.net/wa1ion/audio1/wins+brazil_1010_20150626_0030z.mp3 . [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *Cadena CMKS*, Baracoa JUN 1 0147 Talk about Guantánamo. Romantic music. Parallel to 1170 kHz. [Wolfish-NS]
- VENEZUELA YVTW *R.Alegría*, Chivacoa MAY 31 2358 Leo Sayer "When I Need You" and Spanish announcer. Time check as "siete veintiocho minutos," ID, "Alegría mil veinte, la emisora... Al lado de su pueblo..." Two stations in here? [Wolfish-NS]
- **VENEZUELA** YVRS *Mundial Margarita*, La Asunción JUN 1 0030 Station promos and ID mentioning FM and website. [Wolfish-NS]
- **ECUADOR** HCRF2 *R.Ecuantena*, Guayquil JUN 1 0100 Lively music and ID by man who says something about mambo: "Ecauntena, mil treinta AM." Over WBZ for a while. Similar ID heard at 0102 by which time it was way below WBZ. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYK537 *Capital Radio*, São Paulo MAY 31 2359 Portuguese talk through hourtop. Mixing with another Latin American station. [Wolfish-NS]
- MEXICO XERDO Reynosa, Tamps. JUN 27 0203 Tune-in to partial ID, "La Poderosa, 93.9, la estación de todos," ranchera music. WTFDA and Cantú show two Poderosas on 93.9, one in León, the other in the XERDO area, Reynosa per Cantú, XHRAW but with power ironically missing; per WTFDA it's in Cd. Miguel Alemán, Tamps. with a paltry 2.6 kW on FM which is about right for a station needing to claim to be 'powerful'. But neither connects XHRAW with XERDO. Cantú had XERDO as *La Radio* in yet another border city, Matamoros, 7/2.5 kW. JUL 16 1120 Off-frequency station from the south, 1127 detectable as Spanish, so presumably XERDO. More notable is that I still am not hearing anything from 1060v KIJN Farwell, Texas, on the New Mexico border. [Hauser-OK] A recent report by Chris Knight in the NRC Facebook group connects XERDO with XHRAW *La Raza*. [Conti]
- **BRAZIL** ZYL355 *Super Radio*, Patos de Minas MAY 31 0057 Station promos before hourtop. Mixing with *R.Santa Fe* Colombia. [Wolfish-NS]
- **COLOMBIA** HJCG *R.Santa Fe*, Bogotá JUN 26 0159 *R.Sante Fe* and Q'Hubo Radio ID's; interference LSB: IBOC, USB: growl carrier on/about 1070.128 kHz. [Connelly-MA]
- **VENEZUELA** YVMA *Mundial Zulia*, Maracaibo JUN 1 0100 Uptempo music. ID and 9:15 time check at 0145 UTC. [Wolfish-NS]
- **COLOMBIA** HJBC *Caracol Radio*, Cúcuta JUN 1 0145 Same fútbol as on 1170 kHz. Mixing with another Spanish station (Cuba?) and WBAL. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYK694 *R.Globo*, São Paulo JUN 26 0202 Woman in Portuguese; fair peak, coming up over others. [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJAT *Caracol Radio*, Barranquilla JUN 1 0100 Same game as on 1170 kHz. [Wolfish-NS]
- **MEXICO** XETGO Tlaltenango, Zac. JUL 4 0536 Mexican music, 0540 ID, "Radio Cañón, 90.1 FM," dominating, nothing from WTAM, so XETGO whose FM I also DXed directly

- during the big June 23 sporadic E opening. Strange how tonight, some U.S. 'clears' are inaudible, others normal. [Hauser-OK]
- **ARGENTINA** LS1 *Radio de la Ciudad*, Buenos Aires JUN 1 0158 Classical music, ID at 0200. Woman gives time check as "hora veinte tres" followed by news. [Wolfish-NS]
- 1110 CUBA R. Angulo, Holguín JUN 1 0100 Hourtop ID and music. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYK274 *R.Rural*, Porto Alegre JUN 1 0000 Romantic male vocal and ID at hourtop. [Wolfish-NS]
- **PUERTO RICO** WMSW Hatillo JUN 1 0057 Uptempo music, hourtop ID with "Radio Once" slogan, and commercials. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYJ460 *R.Nacional*, Rio de Janeiro JUN 26 0132 Woman in Portuguese, then female Portuguese vocal; under WBBR. [Connelly-MA]
- **VENEZUELA** YVRL *R.Ideal*, Maiquetía JUN 1 0000 Latin American music upfades over WBBR. [Wolfish-NS]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Circunvalación JUN 28 0758 Sounder through WRVA. JUL 4 0800 Over WRVA and unID Spanish; sounder, then news with splash attention signal between items. [Conti-NH]
- **CUBA** *R.Surco*, Morón JUN 27 0400 Over *R.Musical Nacional* and WRVA; choral national anthem and canned ID, "Transmite CMIP Radio Surco..." [Conti-NH]
- **BRAZIL** ZYK656 *R.Tupi*, São Paulo JUN 1 0201 In mess with ID and promos. [Wolfish-NS]
- **CUBA** *R.Bayamo*, Bueycito JUN 1 0058 Strong with dance music, 9 p.m. time check and romantic music, parallel to 1620 (under Rebelde). [Wolfish-NS]
- **PUERTO RICO** WBQN Barceloneta-Manatí JUN 1 0145 Promo for political program "La Hora del Pueblo con Juan Pablo Silva" on "Borinquen 1160." [Wolfish-NS]
- 1160.08 unID MAY 26 0955 Strong, detectable carrier up daily at this exact time (though I've noticed the off-frequency het here long before). Up at 0955 June 14 and 20, again June 29 for instance. Loops roughly north/south or toward northeast/southwest. Suspect deep Central America or coastal South America, but could be someone domestic. If the sign-on time shifts in the next week or so with increasing daylight following FCC rules the assumption it may indicate domestic. Local evening checks June 27 at 0340 and June 29 0235 UTC with no trace of. Already signed off? July 11 and 12, carrier still coming up promptly at 0955 UTC. Frequency is approximate. [Krueger-FL]
- **COLOMBIA** HJNW *Caracol Radio*, Cartagena JUN 1 0057 Announcer going ballistic during fútbol game between Deportivo Cali and Millonarios. Caracol mentions. A second Latin American in here too. [Wolfish-NS] JUN 26 0200 *Caracol Radio* ID; over jumble. [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *Cadena CMKS*, Maisí JUN 1 0145 Mention of Guantánamo and music parallel 1020 kHz. [Wolfish-NS]
- **MEXICO** XERT *Ke Buena*, Reynosa, Tamps. JUN 14 1019 Mexi-tunes, singing "Ke Buena" jungle at 1021 UTC. [Krueger-FL]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, multiple sites JUN 1 0146 Inbooming with uptempo music parallel 1620 kHz. [Wolfish-NS] JUN 26 0201 Rebelde talk parallel 1620; slight echo. [Connelly-MA]
- **COLOMBIA** HJKG *R.Mira Caracol*, Tumaco JUN 1 0158 Fútbol. Heard a "Caracol" mention in here. Mixing with WLIB. [Wolfish-NS]
- **VENEZUELA** YVOZ *R. Tiempo*, Caracas JUN 1 0000 Strong with station promos giving www.radiotiemp.com.ve website; mixing with a Brazilian station. [Wolfish-NS]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, unknown site JUN 1 0102 Under WPHT; Abba "Chiquitita" parallel to 1180, 1550 and 1620 kHz. [Wolfish-NS]
- BRAZIL ZYJ458 *R.Globo*, Rio de Janeiro JUN 1 0101 Good; lengthy *R.Globo* jingle/song and futebol promos. [Wolfish-NS] JUN 26 0030 Audio sweeps, Globo ID; good. Audio www.qsl.net/wa1ion/audio1/globo-1220_20150626_0030z.mp3. 0116 Globo ID, mention of futebol; over WWSF Maine oldies. 0200 sweep tones, Globo ID, jingles; to good peak. [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Caribe*, La Fe, Isla de la Juventud JUN 27 1008 Female reverb, "Radio Caribe... 101.7 MHz... Desde Radio Caribe, Isla de la Juventud, Cuba," into nice ballads. [Krueger-FL]
- **BERMUDA** VSB2 Hamilton JUN 1 0000 WYFQ Wadesboro/BBN ID and SRN news. [Wolfish-NS]
- BRAZIL ZYJ455 *Super R.Tupi*, Rio de Janeiro JUN 1 0000 ID and Portuguese talk heard under Bermuda. [Wolfish-NS] JUN 26 0030 Portuguese talk with Tupi ID; good/dominant. Audio www.qsl.net/wa1ion/audio1/tupi-1280_20150626_0030z.mp3. [Connelly-MA]

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- **VENEZUELA** YVLF *R.Puerto Cabello*, Puerto Cabello MAY 31 0100 Inblasting with promos and romantic music. JUN 1 0148 Strong with 9:18 time check and ID, "Primer lugar de sintonia, en la costa del Falcón... Carabobo, Radio Puerto Cabello en primer lugar." [Wolfish-NS]
- MEXICO XEP Cd. Juárez, Chih. JUN 27 0156 Romantic music by Spanish soprano, seems southwest, so I hope this early it's something other than XEP, like some U.S. Spanish station; 0158 co-channel interference grows, but 0159 "Radio Trece, presentó Radio México Noticias, tercera edición, Radio México, XEP, 1,300, desde Grupo Radio México, en Avenida..." in Cd. Juárez, Chihuahua. And then at 0200:00 sharp, drastic power cut but I can still barely hear it. Listed as 38 kW day, 200 watts night. They must have misautomated as if this were the end of a newscast rather than music. [Hauser-OK]
- **VENEZUELA** YVNS *R.Reloj*, Maracaibo JUN 1 0030 Spanish religion, mention of Maracaibo. [Wolfish-NS]
- **CUBA** *R.Enciclopedia*, Nueva Gerona, Isla de la Juventud JUL 12 1010 Very good, parallel 530 kHz. [Krueger-FL]
- VENEZUELA R. Nacional Venezuela, multiple locations JUN 1 0000 Very strong during entire grab with man and woman talking about farmacias. ID with list of frequencies at 0028 UTC. [Wolfish-NS]
- **CUBA** *R.Artemisa*, Artemisa JUL 11 1011 Nice Cuban folk vocals, reverb female, "...programa ...tierra ...Radio Artemisa." Parallel weaker 1000 kHz. [Krueger-FL]
- VENEZUELA YVWP *R.Apolo*, Turmero JUN 1 0028 ID and jingle, time check by male announcer as "ocho en punto." Latin American music and jingle again at 0033 (same jingle heard on a DXers YouTube clip of station). [Wolfish-NS]
- **CUBA** *R.Ciudad del Mar,* Aguada JUL 11 1028 Man and woman reading long list of Cienfiegos events for the day. Very good but some WCRM Ft. Myers co-channel in Haitian kreyol. [Krueger-FL]
- **CHILE** *R.Corporación*, Santiago JUN 1 0000 Commercial for a Juan Carlos Alvarado concert. (IDed by guys on RealDX.) [Wolfish-NS]
- VENEZUELA YVNG *Ondas del Mar*, Puerto Cabello MAY 31 0032 Full ID with calls at 0032 in between romantic songs. No sign of anything else on 1380. JUN 1 0145 Time check and ID between songs. Strong. [Wolfish-NS]
- **PUERTO RICO** WISA Isabela MAY 31 0059 Legal ID. JUN 1 0000 Romantic music with male announcer. ID. Seems to be a second Latin American in here. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BRAZIL** ZYJ200 *Radio R2B*, Curitiba JUN 1 0100 In mess with domestics, commercials but ID heard. [Wolfish-NS]
- **BERMUDA** VSB1 Hamilton JUN 1 0100 The incomparable Tom Jones "Green Green Grass of Home" and ID, "This is VSB1, 1450 kilohertz, Hamilton, Bermuda." [Wolfish-NS]
- VENEZUELA YVRZ *R.Dos Mil*, Cumaná MAY 31 0028 Long string of spots with many phone numbers, ID and Latin American music, then downfaded under WFED. [Wolfish-NS]
- **COLOMBIA** HJLI *R.Libertad*, Bogotá JUN 26 0130 Mention of Julia, then "para Colombia... Caracol Radio"; interference LSB: 1510 WMEX slop, USB: Saudi 1521 het. [Connelly-MA]
- **BAHAMAS** ZNS1 Nassau JUN 1 0028 Religious program. ID that also mentions FM 104.5 into another religious program Jesus Is Still The Answer. [Wolfish-NS]
- **COLOMBIA** HJCB *R.El Sol*, Barranquilla JUN 1 0057 Second station with *R.Rebelde* Cuba; ID before it faded out. [Wolfish-NS]
- **COLOMBIA** HJQT Barranquilla JUN 1 0000 Promos and call letters heard. Mixing with the Puerto Rican screaming preacher. [Wolfish-NS]
- **PUERTO RICO** WEKO Morovis MAY 31 0029 Spanish preacher. Seems to be parallel 1660 kHz. Mixing with a Latin American music station. [Wolfish-NS]
- **ANGUILLA** *Caribbean Beacon*, The Valley JUN 26 0202 Slow delivery U.S. male preacher; over others. [Connelly-MA]
- **CUBA** *R.Rebelde,* La Habana//Guantánamo JUN 26 0200 Rebelde talk parallel 1180; mixed with WDHP. [Connelly-MA]
- **U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS** WDHP Frederiksted JUN 26 0200 Caribbean music, accented talk by man; mixed with Cuba. [Connelly-MA]
- ARGENTINA *R.Americá*, San José JUN 1 0000 Spanish talk with mentions of Argentina. Hourtop ID, "Radio Melody desde San José, Entre Río, Argentina." [Wolfish-NS]
- **PUERTO RICO** WGIT *Faro de Santidad,* Canóvanas JUN 1 0000 Parallel 1580 with hysterical preacher and singing ladies. ID at hourtop buried in the music. [Wolfish-NS]

1680 **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** HISV *R.Senda*, San Pedro de Macorís JUN 1 0100 – ID by man in mess with WTTM. [Wolfish-NS]

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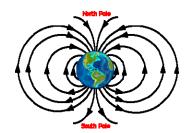
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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

FIJI: *FBC* plans to start new transmitters on 558 and 990 kHz. But it sounds like what is heard on 558 kHz now is not yet a new transmitter, but rather the old one has been reactivated in the meantime. [Mauno Ritola, *mwmasts*]

GERMANY: *WDR* transmitters at 720 and 774 kHz were turned off for good on July 6. [various sources]

73s and Good DX!



Geomagnetic Indices

Geomagnetic Summary June 2015

Via Phil Bytheway – Tabulated from email status daily (K = 0000 UTC).

| Date | Flux | A | K | Space Weather | Date | Flux | A | K | Space Weather |
|------|------|----|---|---------------|------|------|-----------|---|--------------------|
| 6/ 1 | 100 | 8 | 1 | no storms | 6/16 | 136 | 10 | 2 | no storms |
| 2 | 101 | 3 | 0 | no storms | 17 | 136 | 14 | 1 | no storms |
| 3 | 109 | 4 | 0 | no storms | 18 | 151 | 6 | 1 | minor, R1, S1 |
| 4 | 118 | 3 | 1 | no storms | 19 | 137 | 5 | 1 | no storms |
| 5 | 126 | 3 | 1 | no storms | 20 | 135 | 2 | 1 | minor, R1 |
| 6 | 133 | 5 | 1 | no storms | 21 | 136 | 8 | 2 | minor, R1, S1 |
| 7 | 137 | 7 | 3 | no storms | 22 | 135 | 54 | 5 | severe, G4, R2. S3 |
| 8 | 134 | 33 | 4 | moderate, G2 | 23 | 116 | 76 | 3 | severe, G4, S2 |
| 9 | 137 | 13 | 2 | no storms | 24 | 110 | 17 | 2 | no storms |
| 10 | 135 | 12 | 3 | no storms | 25 | 102 | 33 | 4 | moderate, G2, R2 |
| 11 | 140 | 9 | 1 | minor, R1 | 26 | 101 | 10 | 3 | minor, S1 |
| 12 | 137 | 7 | 3 | no storms | 27 | 97 | 8 | 3 | minor, S1 |
| 13 | 136 | 10 | 3 | no storms | 28 | 97 | 13 | 2 | no storms |
| 14 | 132 | 20 | 3 | minor, G1, R1 | 29 | 97 | 6 | 1 | no storms |
| 6/15 | 135 | 14 | 2 | no storms | 6/30 | X | X | X | X |

Sx – Solar Radiation Storm Level / Gx – Geomagnetic Storm Level / Rx – Radio Blackouts Level.

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Time for a mid-summer muse. Not much DXing done at this location the past few months, most recent new addition to the AM logbook was WMDB-880 in Nashville on 2/23/15. Total heard here on AM stands at 953, with 905 of those being from the U.S. and Canada. I've been going back through *DX News* issues from Volume 66 to get an idea of how well others were hearing KCJJ when it made the move from 1560 to 1630 in mid-October 1998. There was some confusion amongst DXers back then on if the calls on 1630 were KCJJ or KCJK (the latter set had been granted by the FCC in Nov. 1997 for use on 1630). Coming from someone who lived in Iowa City for many years and kept a close ear on the local radio scene, I can tell you precisely how things transpired. Despite what the FCC's website says, the KCJK call was never EVER used on 1630. The only time the KCJK calls were ever used was on 1560 beginning around Dec. 1998 and lasting until early 2000, when 1560 was reactivated as a 100% simulcast of KCJJ-1630. Once the simulcast ended, 1560 went silent for a second time and the KCJK calls were retired for good.

Back to the present. The local 1490 here, KOMJ, is a vastly improved operation, having been sold from the reclusive Ted Tucker to Walnut Radio, which junked the MOR/NOS satellite format and the "Magic 1490" moniker. On January 7th, KOMJ was reborn as "Boomer 1490" and now plays mostly a mix of pop oldies from the mid-1960s to mid-1980s with only the occasional Sinatra and Bennett songs being thrown in. Station is live during AM drive, off satellite the rest of the day, but stills sounds a ton better than under its previous incarnation. And as an added bonus, they've joined the Chicago Cubs radio network for 2015. The other big radio news in The Big O will happen later this year, as KXSP-590 will become the new Omaha affiliate for Univ. of Nebraska football and men's basketball. Except for a brief hiatus from 1997-2000, KFAB-1110 had carried the Huskers every year going back to 1926. KXSP's daytime signal does get out better than that of KFAB, but Nebraska fans west of the Rockies will now have only KRVN-880 to tune into if they want to get a decent reception of the night games.

By the time this hits print, the NRC convention will have come and gone, and hopefully I will have tacked a DXing side trip to Cedar Rapids, Iowa on to the back end of the trip to Fort Wayne. This will be my 9th NRC convention, having previously attended Topeka '89 (the year after I initially joined the club), Pittsburgh '90, Omaha '92, Aurora/Denver '95, San Antonio '98, Lima '02, Omaha '11, and Minneapolis '13. The tour of WOWO-1190 is one I am anticipating for sentimental reasons, as they were the first station to ever send me a QSL (in March 1988, while I was residing in the dorms at the Univ. of Iowa). I do collect and trade radio station bumperstickers (mostly U.S. and Canadian AM, with just a few FM), so please feel free to contact me if you have any to offer that I might be interested in, and vice versa. In addition to the convention, I also plan on being at Tim & Jill Noonan's place in Oak Creek, Wisconsin on August 15th for the 22nd Annual Madison-Milwaukee Get-Together for DXers and Radio Enthusiasts. That's a wrap for now. 73 de RWD.



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