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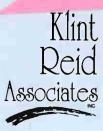
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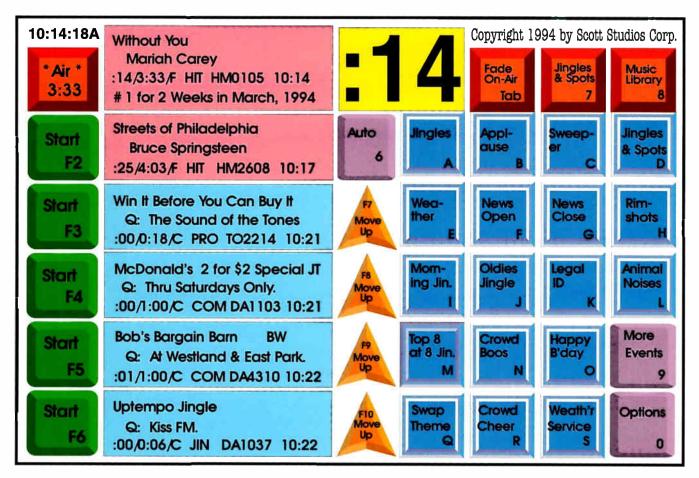
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## **PUBLISHER'S NOTES**

## Don't Shoot Yourself In The Foot With The Arrow



he bandwagon mentality of our industry continues to amaze me. Stations across the country are quick to jump on a successful format to boost their own ratings, often without careful examination of what made a station successful.

Today's latest buzz format is CBS's Arrow in Los Angeles. People are already switching to an Arrow format without much examination into why the station is doing so well. In this case, KCBS had to do something — their station was drowning. In Los Angeles, all the format niches were filled two and three times. A Research Group study utilizing new research technology determined the only obvious hole in the market was a very slim niche of '70s-based rock 'n' roll oldies. Thus the Arrow was born out of necessity to take the only exclusive niche opportunity in the market.

There really is no magic, no earth-shattering secret formula to the Arrow's success that hasn't been around Radio before. A need was researched, a niche uncovered and a format created to fit the niche and the target audience. Marketing 101. CBS dropped an estimated 500-800 GRPs over a 15-week period in tele-

vision. Additionally, CBS did a 200 showing of spectacular billboards supporting the TV. Plus for 90 solid days the station completed an estimated 125,000 telemarketing phone calls, making most station telemarketing campaigns of 20,000 pale in comparison. This was a marketing blitz unlike any ever done before in Radio.

The Arrow is a fine format, and CBS has done a terrific job executing the launch. The research accurately showed it was right for Los Angeles, but in its present form, it appears it may be a format appropriate only for some markets.

If you're one of the thousands of broadcasters thinking this format will vault you into a leadership position, you may be right if you too can spend millions on marketing the format. My guess is that we'll see a rash of stations calling themselves "The Arrow" (or something similar to avoid paying for the name) and we'll see stations foolishly playing the same '70s oldies that tested well for Los Angeles.

There are lessons to be learned from the Arrow: Conduct a research study, find your niche and buy your way into ownership before anyone gets a chance to take it away. As for the copies, isn't our business sophisticated enough yet to know that the format of the month club is rarely successful?

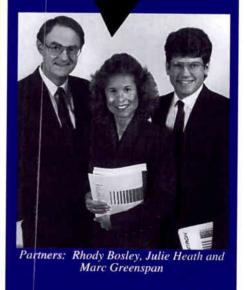


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## **LETTERS**

## **Controversy Kudos**

Great article on "Controversy Sells ... If You Know How" (Radio Ink, Jan. 31-Feb. 13). You addressed a big issue head-on and won.

Gordon Hastings, Pres. Katz Radio Group New York, NY

Walter [Sabo], your column ["Controversy Sells ... If You Know How"] in the Jan. 31 - Feb. 13 issue of *Radio Ink* was great. I made it mandatory reading for my sales department.

Larry Wert, VP/GM WMVP Chicago, IL

## **Kudos to Karmazin**

As a new subscriber, not having read the Karmazin article, I'd like to respond to the George Whitaker letter. (Radio Ink, Feb. 14-27)

Whitaker misses the point about Karmazin. He is one of the brightest guys in our business. He may not be a saint and he may have had the misfortune to earn lots of money, but the real point is that he is on the front line of the First Amendment battle that rages continually in our business. I am too old (over 18) to be a Howard Stern fan and therefore think Stern is either simply an overgrown adolescent or a man going through middle age crisis. Of course he's in bad taste to a great majority of people. But so are the people who would gag him.

Harold Bausemer, GM WRCA Cambridge, MA

In his letter in the Feb. 14-27 issue, contributing writer George Whitaker raged on about your Mel Karmazin interview and made a point of saying, "What is wrong with this country." He also resigned from writing for your magazine. What is wrong with this country is not the programming on Radio and TV, but people like George, who think that they should tell others what to listen to or watch. If I believed this way, there would be no EZ formats or Lawrence Welk shows on TV. If George has a problem with Howard Stern, maybe he shouldn't listen.

Even more important to the Mel Karmazin/Howard Stern story is the quality of leadership that a broadcaster like Karmazin displays when he backs up his talent. Like everyone else in this profession, I have seen more major market owners/managers fold under pressure when a complaint comes in. Even a single complaint from a listener has caused management to issue apologies on the air or even fire the talent.

I don't have to like Howard's show or Mel Karmazin to respect the relationship that Infinity has with its talent. Never in history has the FCC so viciously attacked a Radio performer. When are we going to take the Constitution seriously and "allow" freedom in the United States?

Lewis E. Graham, Pres. The Public Radio Service Baltimore, MD

## On Westcott on Karmazin

In response to the "C'mon ... Mel Karmazin, Executive of the Year?" letter sent in by one of the most ignorant citizens in our country: For the life of me I cannot understand the type of hatred being spewed by this Mr. Westcott.

Mr. Westcott, do you comprehend what freedom of speech means? I'll try to s'plain: All that Mr. Karmazin has done is capitalized on the tastes of some 10 million individuals that like that type of Radio. That is his right, whether or not you agree with what Infinity does is totally unimportant. I have observed your "one-man war" against Howard Stern and Infinity for quite some time now, and only have this to say ... shut off your Radio, get a real job, and if you have children, put them up for adoption to save them more aggravation and embarassment!

Paul L. Bicknell S.P.B.

## CouponRadio? Not Yet

The interviewer in your Advertiser Q&A feature (Radio Ink, Feb. 28-Mar. 13) made some misleading statements about the capabilities of the Radio Data System (RDS).

The RDS/RBDS system uses one of an FM station's subcarriers to transmit a digital data stream, which will inform the

new generation of smart FM receivers about that station's call letters or slogan and program type. Also available is the ability to transmit longer text messages, known as Radiotext, which may be used to display artist and title, advertiser contact info, or anything else a station feels like sending (contests? weather?).

However, your interviewer indicates that the CouponRadio system is available today, and that RDS display Radios are a year or two away. Just the opposite is true. Major consumer audio manufacturers have been shipping these receivers in the United States for more than a year now. So far, none of these can print coupons.

While CouponRadio is a clever application of RDS technology, there are many other aspects to RDS, some potentially far more interesting (and lucrative) to broadcasters. Every day, a larger piece of the country is reached by an RDS signal. Radio Ink should see that broadcasters are getting correct information about these developments to avoid placing them at a competitive disadvantage.

Brett g. Porter
Developer, Model RDS-1 Coder System
Modulation Sciences Inc.
Somerset, NI

## Taking the Highway

Smart move—attending the TV Convention (Publisher's Notes, Feb. 14-27). Unfortunately, Radio has been too selfabsorbed and needs to broaden its vision.

Regarding the interactive electronic highway: As you know we've embraced Coupon Radio. It may not be the end all, but it's getting us the opportunity to stay in the forefront in the automotive industry with new things happening on Radio.

Bill Burton, Pres./COO Detroit Radio Advertising Group Troy, MI

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## OP STORY



## **AP All News Radio To Debut June 1**

With the recent announcement that the 146-year-old Associated Press is launching an all-news Radio network, one has to ask the question: What took so long?

Actually, with the resurgence of AM and the growing popularity of news and talk Radio, the development of AP All News Radio comes along just at the right time. Many broadcasters for years have recognized the value of the news format, but they also have understood the prohibitive costs associated with producing the format on a local level. According to Jim Williams, VP/director of AP's Broadcast Division, All News Radio is designed "to fix all that."

Here are the basics: All News Radio is set to debut June 1 with live, turnkey programming around the clock on a flexible basis, so affiliates can insert as much or as little local news programming as they choose. Affiliates can select one of two program channels: The News Station, a fully produced format available on a market-exclusive basis complete with sounders, promos and positioning statements; and a nonmarket-exclusive "clean feed" designed for stations to use with their own jingles and other production elements. All affiliates will have access to a hotline channel reserved for live, long-form coverage of scheduled news events and breaking stories. Live special reports will air during regularly scheduled newscasts on the main channel so stations would not be forced to break format to provide coverage.

All News Radio will cover national and international news. business, sports and other feature programming produced at AP's Broadcast News Center in Washington. It is designed as a commercial-free service, so stations retain full control of inventory and are permitted to pre-empt the network feed to cut away to local programming whenever they choose. Stations pay cash only, with fees structured according to market size. All network programming will be digitally compressed and delivered via GTE Spacenet III and SatCom C-5.

Also, the network has been designed to be fully compatible with many computer automation systems, allowing stations using these systems to program their PCs to interact with ANR's tone system. Local news, weather, sports, commercials, and promos can be pre-recorded and dropped into network programming at scheduled times, allowing a station to re-direct resources to board operation rather than staffing a full-time newsroom. Local anchors can air local newscasts either live or record them for playback in later time slots.

As Radio news operations continue to shrink both in number and size, AP's 24-hour all-news programming venture could help stem further erosion. True, a station that switches from a locally produced news format to an automated product could displace some newswriters and reporters. However, since ANR is designed primarily for stations in markets where all-news is cost-prohibitive, the network actually might prove to be cost-effective enough for affiliates to consider hiring a local newsperson (or two) to augment the national feed.

In any event, AP's attempt to strengthen the all-news format — and, in the process, AM Radio — is bound to be welcomed by stations in markets of all sizes. Good going.

## **CBS Partners With UPI to Form CBS Americas**

CBS Radio has announced a new partnership with United Press International to produce 38 newscasts daily, Monday through Friday (20 daily on weekends) for the CBS Hispanic Network, which is changing its name to CBS Americas. The network originated three years ago when CBS began providing Major League Baseball play-by-play broadcasts to Spanish-language Radio stations. "We were very pleased with the progress of the network," CBS Radio President Nancy Widmann told Radio Ink. "And we decided the next step should be to take the network to the next level."

## **Westwood Splits Networks In Two**

Westwood One has reorganized the internal operations of its networks into two self-contained principle divisions. Westwood One Entertainment and Westwood One Networks. Falling under the entertainment division, which will be headed by President Greg Batusic, are the company's numerous syndicated music programs, countdown shows, concerts, special events, sports and talk, and youth-oriented programming originating from the Source network. Westwood One Networks will be headed by President Bill Hogan and will encompass the company's RADAR-rated networks, including CNN+, Power, Super, CNBC Business Radio Network, Mutual Broadcasting, and NBC, as well as Unistar's personality networks and 24-hour formats.

## Sony/Time-Warner Taps Baldassano As VP

Now that former ABC Radio and Unistar Radio Networks VP/Programming Corinne Baldassano has been named to a similar position at SW Networks, the new Sony/Time-Warner Radio division, look for product to be rolling out soon. The company is said to be putting substantial resources behind the project, and is expected to announce several 24-hour commercial programming opportunities not currently in the marketplace. The word used by a company spokesman to describe the initial fare: avant-garde. President of the new venture, which may add a letter or two to the existing SW acronym, is Susan Solomon.

## Radio PURs Along As TV Dips

Despite the erosion of local television audiences to cable services and upstart Fox Television, Radio's weekly average listening levels remain "remarkably steady," according to a new analysis prepared by Katz Radio Group. Citing Fall 1993 Arbitron listening estimates, the analysis shows that Radio reaches virtually every American during a typical week, with Fall '93 Cume Persons Using Radio (PUR) hitting 96 percent across the United States for total week. Average Time Spent Listening for Persons 12-plus shows a marked increase over the previous two years, and is on a par with 1984, while TSL has remained consistent in each daypart over the last 10 years. Also, many 25-54 age cells posted their highest listening levels in 10 years, reflecting the emphasis programmers have placed on this broad demographic target; teen listening also is up nearly half an hour per week compared to 1992, reversing a slight decline over the past few years.

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## **NEWS** FEATURE

## First Quarter Station Trading Outpacing '93

by Reed Bunzel

ook for the Radio marketplace to remain robust — at least as long as qualified buyers continue to chase available inventory.

That's the word from the broadcast brokerage community, which has just wrapped up one of the industry's most active sales quarters in the last five years. In fact, according to *Radio Ink* analysis, 71 million-dollar-plus transactions were announced in the first three months of 1994, compared with 59 in the same period in '93. Of these, eight were valued at \$20 million or more, compared with four in '93; and 13 were in the \$10-19.9 million range, again compared with four in '93.

"The deal-making pace is still at a level that could best be described as controlled fury," observes Star Media Group's Paul Leonard. "There are still a large number of transactions that are in the negotiation stage, and we're anticipating that the entire year will be at or above last year's level." Leonard notes that the pool of buyers (and equity) still is larger than available inventory of stations, "but there are enough quality stations to support what's still a pretty active pace."

Broker Gary Stevens agrees. "Business has been very solid, largely because larger groups continue to take advantage of duopoly," he says. "We're seeing a tremendous amount of consolidation going on, more than we have seen in the past year. Buyers have decided that duopoly is what they need to do if they intend to be long-term players; if they don't or can't, they get out."

### **Unlikely Marriages**

Media Venture Partners' Charles

Giddens isn't so quick to predict a continued bull market in station sales. "The availability of money — and only for really big deals in big markets — is causing a bit of a slowdown in the middle and smaller markets," he says. "Also, since the easier duopolies already have been done, we're now making marriages happen from two stations that are somewhat dissimilar. In many cases we're now down to a lower tier of stations, or independents who just haven't yet seen the need to consolidate."

So is it still a seller's market? Inventory remains tight, but the number of buyers with equity and financing to buy also is fairly small. "There's been a reduction on both sides of both inventory and qualified buyers in the last six months." Giddens says.

"It's this kind of environment that tends to drive prices higher," says Stevens, noting that the market remains a two- to three-tiered market. "In the large markets where consolidation is most desirable and people have the wherewithal to buy these things, it's very much a seller's market," he says. "But when you get into the intermediate and smaller markets, it's less active, because financing for these deals is harder to find."

The laws of supply and demand have put pressure on pricing, but prices have stabilized somewhat based on the supply-demand equation — and also on the new mathematics of duopoly. "Most markets, even those that have been traditionally stagnant, are showing real growth in retail sales and Radio revenues, and that is the environment in which many pro forma statements are created," says Leonard. "Buyers generally are pretty comfortable paying a multiple of one to 1-1/2 higher than they would have a year and a half ago."

"Values definitely have firmed up, but sellers are thinking we can get 10-12 times 'next year's blue sky' if they sell to someone in the market," says broker Todd Hepburn. "What we're seeing in a duopoly situation are prices somewhere around nine times first-year adjusted

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- Listeners Guild Inc. has dropped its federal suit and all FCC petitions to deny license renewal against WNCN-FM New York. The petition originally had been filed because of the conviction of an officer of GAF Broadcasting, which owned the station. The conviction later was overturned, but Listeners Guild then contended (and since has recanted) that GAF was in violation of EEO regulations. GAF has reimbursed LGI more than \$100.000 for legal fees.
- Infinity Broadcasting has challenged the \$400,000 FCC fine imposed against four of its stations, claiming that portions of the Howard Stern Show cited in the Commission's action were not indecent and were not heard by children, and that Infinity is being targeted unfairly by the FCC because non-Infinity stations that also ran the broadcasts have not been fined.
- The FCC has renewed the license of WYUU-FM Safety Harbor, FL, which a resident
  in 1988 claimed bombarded his home with unacceptable levels of RF radiation.
  A subsequent study showed no evidence of RF interference.
- KNON-FM Dallas has been fined \$12,500 for broadcasting "indecent" material that included a song titled / Want to be a Homosexual, and for using sexually oriented words and references prohibited by the Supreme Court's "Seven Dirty Words" ruling. The song in question apparently was aired during a gay-oriented program and reflects the diversity of the station, a station spokesman said. The individual who played the selection no longer is with the station.
- KFMH-FM Muscatine, IA has been fined \$12,500 for airing sexually explicit
  material during a call-in joke contest. The station claims that all calls were prescreened and that the offending caller was cut off as soon as the indecent
  reference was made; it further alleges that the caller may be the person who filed
  the complaint.
- A Las Vegas resident (not Al Westcott, who focuses his attention on Howard Stern affiliate KFBI-FM) has filed an indecency complaint at the FCC against KKLZ-FM for alleged sexually and excretory-oriented remarks.
- Fort Worth, TX has filed a complaint at the FCC over a "well-intentioned" stunt staged by KYNG-FM that went awry. Apparently, DJ A.W. Pantoja claimed he'd hidden cash in books in the stacks at the city's library, causing a run on and damage to a number of books. KYNG already has pledged to donate \$10,000 to the library, and pay for all damages.

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\$1.6 M: WCQL-AM PORTSMOUTH, NH, AND WCQL-FM YORK CENTER, ME; SELLER: SUNSHINE GROUP BROADCASTING; BUYER: KNIGHT QUALITY STATIONS.

## **CLOSED!**

WRVF-FM, Columbus, Ohio from Tri-City Radio Ltd. Partnership, Alan D. Gray, President to OmniAmerica Communications, Carl E. Hirsch, Anthony S. Ocepek and Dean Thacker, Principals, for \$7,500,000.

WLOH-AM/WHOK-FM, Columbus, Ohio from WHOK, Inc., William M. France, President to OmniAmerica Communications, Carl E. Hirsch, Anthony S. Ocepek and Dean Thacker, Principals for \$8,000,000.

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## NEWS FEATURE

### **◀ 10 First Quarter Trading cont'd**

cash flow. They're not looking at current cash flow; they're looking a year down the road, after they've combined operations."

Still, there's no change on the financing front. "We're seeing a healthy number of banks pursuing larger deals and some of the more visible refinancings," says Leonard. "But most banks haven't dropped down into the second tier or one- and two-station deals — and that is the key to bringing back financing on a broader, more meaningful scale."

### Fed Up?

Stevens contends that lenders are very much in the game — but only in large markets. The lending ratios — multiples of cash flows against which the banks will lend — have increased over the past year, in some cases up to six times cash flow (and, according to some unconfirmed reports, even higher). "The lenders today want a greater equity commitment than they had in the past, when there wasn't anything between them and the wall," Stevens says. "They're aggressive, but they want some sort of commitment from the buyer, as well."

One note: the Federal Reserve's action last month to gently nudge up interest rates had more of a visual than an actual impact on lending. Where it has had an effect is on the stock market, where the recent "correction" has cooled off the IPO climate ... and limited new entries to rely further on public investments to grow their companies. "A num-

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"The last time I bought something digital, it was my watch and it was only \$14.95."

ber of companies have predicated their ability to grow on their further ability to raise equity in the marketplace, and they have a pricing problem at the moment," Stevens says. "Companies still can go public, but at what price? A company that might have opened at \$15 per share instead might be priced at \$11.5, and they may feel they're giving away their company."

Giddens agrees that the Fed's action on interest rates had only an "aesthetic impact" on business. "We've gone a long time without an increase, so now that we have a small one it looks bad visually — but in real dollars that little click won't make much difference."

Likewise, Wall Street's recent roller coaster ride has caused many investors to re-evaluate the public marketplace, which could cause difficulty for companies looking to make an entree. According to Giddens, however, once the market corrects itself, look for another IPO market in late fall, maybe even better than the one that just ended.

Bottom line: Market revenues and station performance were strong throughout 1993 and continue into '94. This bodes well for the industry, since strong margins make stations look healthy.

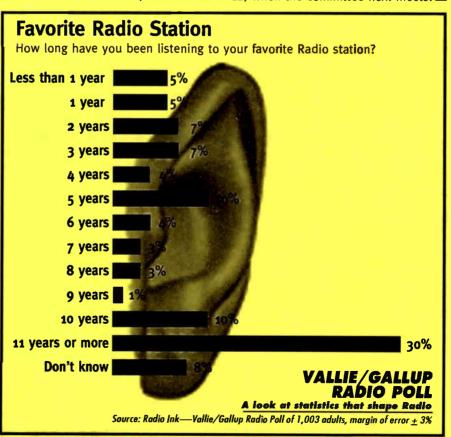
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## **US Radio Files IPO**

Philadelphia-based US Radio has filed with the Securities Exchange Commission to issue 3 million shares of stock in an initial public offering. At a maximum price of \$14 per share, the offering would raise some \$48 million, assuming that lead underwriters Oppenheimer & Co. and Paine Webber exercise their option to buy an additional 450,000 shares. According to Duncan's Radio Market Guide, US Radio last year had revenues of \$31.7 million.

## NAB Seeks Superhighway Input

In response to industry concern that Radio's position on the much ballyhooed information superhighway is unsure at best, NAB's Radio Futures Committee is soliciting ideas and comments from interested Radio broadcasters. "We are assessing technologies and business approaches Radio can employ to provide expanded services to business and the public," says Committee Chairman Dick Ferguson, who asked that suggestions be submitted before May 12, when the committee next meets.



## FORUM:

# What is your station's EEO plan and how do you implement guidelines?



Al Vincente, GM WGNA-AM/FM Albany, NY

ur plan involves constant and consistent review and analysis of our efforts from the corporate level to myself to our monthly department heads meeting. For every opening, we advertise the position in the local paper and send a notice to our list of organizations and agencies with a reply card.

As an African American, I am a member of the NAACP and the Urban League, and through community activities, I recruit on an ongoing basis.

Our corporate office requires quarterly reports on all hires and documentation on recruitment effort. We not only try to meet the FCC guidelines, but we compel ourselves to go beyond the requirements in making a sincere effort to hire the best minority/female candidate whenever possible.

I make it my business to get involved in every job opening here to make sure we make the necessary efforts. I sit in on final interviews for all openings. We go over our efforts along with the candidates before making the decision to hire our new employee.



Kurt A. Mische, VP/GM KRLV-FM Las Vegas, NV

ith our EEO plan, we strive to do what good broad-casters should do — actively seek job candidates from the community we serve. We make sure that all openings are publicized in many areas — on-air, in the daily paper, and in several special community or ethnic newspapers. We keep an active list of these for easy reference.

We also send representatives to job and career fairs and speak to high school and college classes about opportunities in our industry and at our station. We also list our openings with the state employment service and notify recruiters, too. We then carefully keep track of each resume, application or applicant that comes in so that each receives careful consideration.

We make it a point to recruit all year, not just when there's an opening. That way, we always have plenty of good candidates "on deck."

Once each year, we have our FCC attorneys review all of our efforts and record-keeping to make sure that we are in full compliance with any and all EEO guidelines.



Scott Savage, VP/GM KYNG-FM/KSNN-FM Dallas/Fort Worth. TX

Recruitment of minority employees is a major objective, and we implement this objective through an aggressive EEO program.

We maintain an active list of 25 local organizations that are sources for minority employees. In addition to sending them job postings, we mail a letter every quarter that describes our EEO program. It also requests that their members or referrals contact the station if they are seeking employment.

We'll go one step further this year by inviting these organizations to the station to meet our EEO administrator (station controller) to learn more about our business and possible staffing needs in the future. This also allows us to determine which organizations might provide the best talent bank.

All of these activities are documented in writing and placed in the public file. In addition, a report is completed monthly by the controller that outlines the current status of our minority employment. Management reviews it for FCC compliance.



Don Oylear, GSM KING-AM/FM Seattle. WA

Providing EEO is natural for us.

We seek out job posting sites and run ads in publications guaranteed to reach EEO status candidates. We interview on a regular basis, even when there are no jobs available, to keep track of all top candidates. We make sure every department has entry-level positions, so more young candidates including minorities and women qualify.

We maintain a work environment accepting to all cultures and lifestyles, and we do not tolerate discriminatory behavior. This helps us retain our EEO status employees and helps to get us great referrals for future hiring. And finally, we hire the best overall candidate for each job.

By being good at seeking out and finding highly qualified EEO status candidates, we get the best person for the job, we meet the standards and we can spend more time worrying about ratings, revenues and profits.

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## **CASE STUDY**



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# You just got a bad book after being on top.

How do you maintain revenue?



Karen Carroll, VP/GM KYKY-FM/KSD-AM/FM St. Louis, MO

Bad books happen, but great Radio stations can

have bad books and still sell a lot of product for advertisers. How well you know your product, your market, your niche, your audience, your position, your competition, and your clients will determine the effect of a bad book on morale and confidence by the staff, listeners and advertisers.

Cycles happen: Diary placement changes, return percentage changes, weighting varies, seasons happen, crises happen, trends happen. But what should not change is your belief and your staff's belief in who and what your station is as an entertainment entity, a community team member, and a viable product filling a service in your market.

Bad books will affect you less and less when the confidence you have in your product overrides Arbitron and when your clients report their best sale ever during your worst book (with a one-station buy). It can (and does) happen.

Guarantee your advertisers you're not ignoring the industry reports, but if you have done your homework and research, and listened, this too shall pass. It's a strategic game that needs a plan and a determination to win with market relationships that can stand the test of time.

Build a great station team that develops a great product, always respecting and responding to listeners and clients, and you begin to change the game from short-term to long-term.



Steve Heston, VP/GM Radio One Broadcasting Lincoln, NE

If we sold it correctly, our business is based on the

station's ability to move people, so I can't imagine an impact on local-direct revenue.

In the case of agencies, we'd take a common-sense approach. In today's Radio world, with individual station shares dropping due to sheer numbers of formats, it's ludicrous to believe that anyone will have a mass exodus or influx of audience, especially based on Arbitron's small sample sizes and suspect methodology.

Since agencies have to justify how they've spent the advertiser's money, we'd try to provide qualitative data (The Griffin Report, our own in-house data base, for example) to support the station.

The best way to avoid this being a problem is to sell the station based on reliable information in the first place (results, track record, testimonials and fresh ideas) so that an Arbitron "wobble" can't be used against you.

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## MARKETING



by Ted Bolton

## Escaping The Terror The Arbitron Non-Response Nightmare

hen a listener decides not to return an Arbitron diary, your Radio station could be in serious trouble. You could see wild fluctuations in certain demo cells. Your competition could leap forward in the ratings. Worse yet, your advertisers could find new reasons to hold off on that buy you have been working so hard to close.

Arbitron error will not go away. The frightening truth is that the error is getting worse every day. Recent figures released by Arbitron report that response rates have consistently declined over the past 10 years.

This everyday non-response reality leaves you with two options. You can shrug your shoulders, give the familiar Arbitron curse, and hope for better luck next time. Or you can fight back with strategies that take advantage of Arbitron's own shortcomings.

### It's All in the Game

To take advantage of Arbitron nonresponse, first you have to understand why it occurs. Non-response is exactly what the name denotes. A randomly selected respondent either initially refuses to accept a diary or, after verbally agreeing to participate, refuses to send one back. This is where the sampling and measurement error begins.

The name of the game is understanding why people choose to participate and what kind of people participate.

Back in 1989, Bolton Research studied the diarykeeping process and presented the results at the Radio '89 Convention in New Orleans. It created quite a stir. Basically, we duplicated the Arbitron diary research process and then

completed our own post interviews with our own diarykeepers.\* Some important findings emerged that can help you understand why people participate, and how you can specifically target these people to your own station's advantage.

### One Man's Junk ...

Think about Arbitron research participation the way you think about junk mail. Junk mail tossed in the trash by one person may be mandatory reading to another. The difference lies in how interested the person is in the subject matter. This addresses the "why" of Arbitron diary completion and non-response.

In most cases, people participate in Arbitron for two primary reasons. First they express an interest in the subject of Radio, music, or the media in general. They feel comfortable with the subject and feel qualified to respond to the line of questioning.

Second, people participate because they said they would. Sounds awfully obvious and logical, but it's true. If they weren't going to participate, they would have said so in the first place.

### Fighting the Good Fight

The first thing you must think about is developing on-air and external marketing strategies that target Arbitron diarykeepers. If you don't, then you will become an Arbitron victim at some point in your career.

Any Radio station that is not actively soliciting high-probability diarykeepers 52 weeks a year, 24 hours a day, simply does not get the Arbitron game. There are hundreds of strategies to accomplish this goal. The simplest strategy is to ask for some kind of partici-

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- The name of the game is understanding why people choose to participate and what kind of people participate.
- People participate in Arbitron for two primary reasons: because they are interested in Radio or music, or simply because they agreed to do it.
- Develop on-air and external marketing strategies that target diarykeepers.
   Get away from soliciting contest players and start soliciting people who are interested in Radio.

pation from your listeners (diarykeepers). Just making the announcement, "If you are a Radio or music expert, then we want to hear from you" is a direct request to diarykeepers. Get away from soliciting contest players (who may be only interested in winning money) and start soliciting people who are interested in giving their opinions about Radio.

Finally, sit down with your staff and brainstorm brand new ways to talk to diarykeeperenthusiasts. Change the way you think about getting beat up by Arbitron every time a new book comes out. Fight the good fight and take advantage of the sad ineptitude of our rating system. Either deal with the truth or accept the consequences.

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\*The words "diary" and/or "diarykeeper" are used to denote Bolton Research diaries and diarykeepers and not those of any broadcast ratings company.



## ENGINEERING FOR MANAGEMENT™



Translators & Boosters
Options to Consider in Improving Your Signal

by William P. Suffa

t least once a week I hear: How can I improve my FM signal without spending a fortune or "breaking the FCC Rules"?

Assuming that you have undertaken an engineering analysis to determine the possibility of improvement, and have done appropriate field testing to determine the performance of the antenna, the use of a translator or booster might be your next step.

### Like Having Another Station

A translator is a relatively low-powered Radio station that receives a signal and retransmits it on another frequency. Previously, the FCC had limited the power of translators to either one watt (east of the Mississippi) or 10 watts (west of the Mississippi).

In 1990, the FCC revised the translator rules to allow for power levels of as much as 250 watts ERP (a 50-watt power limit applies anywhere near the Canadian border). However, the eligibility rules were tightened, so FM station licensees can operate (or provide financial support for) a translator only if it does not extend the protected coverage contour of the associated FM station. For class B FM stations, the 0.5 mV/m coverage cannot be extended; for class B1, it is the 0.7 mV/m coverage; for all others, the coverage restriction is the 1.0 mV/m contour. There are exceptions for educational stations.

At 250 watts, a translator is almost like having another Radio station. A number of stations are effectively using translators to overcome local intermodulation interference and to provide building penetration into downtown structures. In fact, if the frequencies are close, you can

effectively market the signal using your current tagline (i.e. FM98). I know at least one station that identifies with something like "97.3 in town, 97.7 all around."

Technically, a translator can work well on a channel adjacent to the primary station. The FCC legitimized such an arrangement in its rule revision. In doing so, operators gain a certain amount of protection from other stations and other translators. I usually recommend against using the "first adjacent" channel to avoid interference with your own station.

Of course, the FCC rule requires a full interference protection study involving three channels on either side of the frequency on which the translator will operate. Like the "contour protection" rules (or the educational FM rules) a translator can operate with as little power as you want, provided that it doesn't create interference to others. Also, the antenna requirements are not as rigid as with full-service stations, so directional antennas are easily implemented.

Because the equipment requirements are not stringent, a translator can be established at substantially lower cost than can a "full service" facility. In fact, the total cost of a translator can be less than \$10,000.

## **Boosters: Costly, Complex**

Boosters can be thought of as a special form of translator that repeats your signal on the same frequency. Booster stations require much more engineering expertise to avoid interference with the main station. In fact, many boosters have been tried with devastating results. While the higher power limit (20 percent of full-class power) is appealing, the potential for interference is great. In fact, I

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- Translators and boosters can improve coverage in poor signal areas.
- Boosters carry significant potential for destructive interference.
- Translators can be used to improve marketing of your station.

rarely recommend booster stations except where the terrain is unusual or the city to be served is in an isolated area.

As with translators, the FCC allows use of boosters only on a "fill-in" basis. That means no extension of your coverage contour. And, there are no promotional benefits other than increased signal strength in a particular area.

The technical design of a booster is complex (read that: EXPENSIVE). To minimize co-channel interference, it is necessary to synchronize the main and booster signals. Engineering studies must be completed to determine where interference may fall, and how to minimize the effects. And, of course, if high power levels are used, the equipment costs can be as high as for a full-service station.

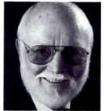
So, what benefit is there to a booster? Well, aside from the higher power, a booster operates on the same frequency as the primary station. This often allows for installation in an area where no alternative frequencies exist for a translator.

You can probably guess that I am not a big fan of boosters, but I do support strategic use of translators to improve coverage and audience reach. Done correctly, such a system can be a potent marketing tool. And marketing is what the game is all about.

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## MANAGEMENT



by Jack M. Rattigan

## Management By Memo A Tactic for Cowards?

hen I told some colleagues that I was going to draft a column about memos, they all had a story about how they hated receiving memos and how ineffective they are. So why do managers or people in a position of authority feel that they have to write nasty memos to prove that they are in charge?

One Radio friend told me that she felt it was "the sign of a coward," a person who doesn't have the guts to face the individual or the staff so they cop out and write a memo. That may be true in some cases, but I believe most people write memos without realizing what an impersonal act it is.

## Get in the habit of talking to the staff rather than writing memos.

In my experience on the receiving end, memos usually listed things that were wrong and had a threatening tone. Rarely were there any suggestions for improvement or corrective action. These memos do not inspire station loyalty or improve morale. So why do managers write these memos? Because they just don't think.

## Throw it Away

There are times when we all want to chew out the world. So get mad, read your memo, feel good for a while, count to 10 — then throw the memo away. If absolutely necessary, write a constructive memo with a plan or strategy to improve the situation. Better yet, get in the habit of talking to the individual or

the staff. You may find yourself more diplomatic and more productive when you have to look someone in the eye. But remember: praise in public; correct in private.

When is a memo necessary and proper? Obviously we have to keep a written history of an individual's progress, good or bad. When an employee is not following station procedure or not performing according to policy, it is essential that you maintain a written history. Here again the memo can be read to the individual, then a copy should be placed in the personnel file.

Not all memos are bad memos. There are good and positive memos. Those are the ones announcing promotions or

congratulating someone on an outstanding job. Then there is the announcement memo on the bulletin board.

These should always be positive. Here is where you post the notice of an office party or staff tickets for the big concert or a celebration for a great book or a record-breaking sales month.

### Make a Resolution

Shortly after I was named general managerat one station, I received a memo from the president of the company. It stated, "Keep this memo. It is the last memo you will ever receive from me. ... I have a telephone. You have a telephone. We will see each other frequently. We are in a verbal communications business. Let's communicate orally, not in writing. Writing is for the newspaper people." I never did get another memo from him. What a great boss!

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- Memos are too often negative and threatening, and the sign that a manager can't face their staff.
- When a censuring memo has to be written, read it to the individual in private and place a copy in their personnel file.
- There are good and affirmative memos.
   Post them for positive activities.
- Strive to write only meaningful and beneficial memos.

It is never too late to make a New Year's resolution. Why not resolve, "No memos in '94"? If you can't bring yourself to do that, what about cutting back to one memo a week, then one memo a month? How about, "No Negative Memos." Most important of all, strive to write only meaningful and beneficial memos.

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## PROGRAMMING FOR MANAGEMENT™



## Elements of Successful Programming **And Realistic Expectations**

by Guy Zapoleon

n New York City in 1983 WVNI becomes Top 40 WHTZ (Z100) and, under Scott Shannon, goes from worst (20th) to first. Last year in Los Angeles. Spanish-language WSKQ changes its call letters and its approach to Banda-formatted KLAX and goes from nowhere (21) to No. 1 in Los Angeles. Recently, Top 40 KKLQ San Diego went from 13 to second in two books.

Broadcasters see these success stories and wonder: Why can't I go into a market with a brand new Radio station and achieve the same success as quickly? The answer is: Each one of these Radio stations succeeded for specific reasons.

WHTZ, summer of 1983: The 10year music cycle had begun to swing back in favor of Top 40 featuring lots of great rock, pop and R&B and modern rock music. MTV had led the way in creating a buzz for this great new crop of music. Although Top 40 WPLJ had flipped first earlier that year, their product was more adult and many New Yorkers didn't know about their change from AOR. Give Shannon and company a lot of credit. He put together an exciting Radio station that

terest in contemporary pop music, great music, an entertaining morning drive, and a strong marketing plan selling the new, hip, cuttingedge image of WHTZ.

KLAX, was the first Radio station in

Los Angeles to jump on a musical trend that had captured the imagination of Hispanic youth in the West and Southwest. Banda was bringing second-generation Hispanic listeners in the United States back to Spanish-language music by combining traditional Mexican musical styles with a modern beat. Although it had a Spanish-language format before. KLAX re-imaged and marketed itself as a brand new Radio station with a brand new sound.

KKLQ had been first or second in

first focused the music on a broader 18-34 female target then pulled the lynch pin: KKLQ stole San Diego's No. 1 morning show, Jeff and Jer, from KFMB, GM Bob Bolinger opened up his pockets to spend the necessary dollars to advertise their new acquisition to the public. Johnson had fixed the music, and Jeff and Jer's arrival got adult listeners to sample the improved product. Also, KKLO's adult but hipper mix was more in line with Jeff and Jer's humor. The results were astounding. B100 dropped from third to 11th, and KKLQ rose from 13th to third in one book.

### The Three Ms

What do all these success stories have in common? Each situation met a compelling need of the market, and each Radio station combined all of three Ms together to win: music. mornings and marketing. With WHTZ and KLAX, the compelling need was musical. With KKLQ, Johnson first improved the product then added the No. 1 morning show in town (which he also improved).

> There is nothing more important to the success of a Radio station than the market's need for that product. If there is no compelling need for the product, don't expect to start up a sec-

ond or third format entry in a market and win through sheer marketing force or a slightly better version of the product. As you have seen with cases like WHTZ

Community Involvement News Contests Personalities (Mornings) Music

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San Diego Radio since the late '80s. But with three direct competitors chopping them up from all sides, it had been knocked out of the Top 10 in recent years. Program Director Tracy Johnson

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capitalized

people's new in-

and KKLQ, a great morning show is also an important factor.

Researcher Jon Coleman created the "image pyramid" to explain how much each factor — music, personalities, contests and community service/news — contribute to the total ratings share. (See pyramid, previous page.)

I have come up with some general percentages to explain what each of these factors contribute to the total ratings share (see percentages following):

Music	65%	
Personalities (Morr	nings) 13%	
Contests & Promotions 5%		
Community Involvement/News 2%		
Outside Marketing	15%	

You can't look at the pyramid without taking into account one of the most important factors that affect your ratings ... outside marketing ... which I've estimated to be at least 15 percent.

\*These percentages vary depending on the format and whether a severe image problem exists. With adult formats or with a severe image problem, marketing becomes critical and contributes more than 50 percent to the total share.

## 2) simplicity of the contest;

- 3) ability for the audience to play along;
- 4) selling a strategic benefit of the Radio station.

A good on-air contest can add more or less than 5 percent depending on the sizzle that this contest provides with great production values and on-air listener involvement.

*Promotions:* The following are some important factors to consider when constructing promotions.

- Frequency of outside promotions. Edens giant WRBQ tried to have 100 outside promotions per month.
- The amount of people exposed to and touched by your promotion.
- 3) The quality of the promotion itself.
- Work listening promotions have more value due to the importance of work listening in Arbitron's methodology.

Community Involvement/News: Radio stations like KVIL Dallas quite often tied outside promotions and community service together to establish themselves as market leaders in Dallas for many years. For stations that specialize in information and community service, like the KDKAs of the world, this factor is worth considerably more than 2 percent.

Outside Marketing: Telemarketing, di-

rect mail, billboards and especially television are all important forms of outside marketing. The impact of outside marketing de-

## Ms to achieve ratings success: Music, mornings and marketing.

Successful Radio stations combine the three

More on these factors and their contribution to ratings share follows:

Music: If the product is music, then the Radio station must own at least one strategic musical position. If the Radio station owns two positions in Top 40 and Hot AC, then both types of music must be strategically combined so that both types of listeners are happy with the product.

Personalities (Mornings): A morning show can be worth more or less than 13 percent based on the popularity and longevity that show has in the market.

Contests: Contesting and promotions contribute more or less than 5 percent based on:

1) quality and uniqueness of the prize;

## pends on:

- strength and effectiveness of the schedule;
- 2) competitive environment;
- 3) complexity of the message;
- 4) perceived need of the product being advertised.

When it comes to launching a new product, there is no substitute for television for effective advertising and quick results. During the birth stage and early development of a new Radio station, marketing can be worth up to 50 percent of the ratings potential.

### **Effect of Competition**

The market competitive environment also affects these factors as follows:

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- Each broadcaster should understand the relative value of the 3 Ms: music, momings and marketing to its ratings success.
- Understand the market's competitive environment: who are the direct competitors and which other Radio stations and formats impact your station's ratings.
- How do competitors' morning shows and Radio station marketing affect you?
- What untapped opportunities are there for music, mornings and marketing?

Music:

- If a station occupies a format and gains two competitors over several years, it could see its share cut by more than half.
- 2) Often times, new stations enter the format and the total format share actually grows. This occurs when the format is hot and the Radio stations are well-programmed and marketed. For example, the overall country music Radio share in Houston grew even when KKBQ joined country leaders KILT and KIIK.

Personalities (Mornings): Having two stations with strong, outrageous morning shows will eventually diminish the ratings potential for each show.

Contests: If several stations give away large amounts of cash, the listeners remember less which station is giving away the cash. Also, the more stations give away a certain prize, the less exciting that prize becomes. While lotteries in most states give away countless millions of dollars, the lure of large cash prizes for Radio station contests has diminished.

Outside Marketing: Share of voice in TV advertising is a critical factor in impressions made on the target. The more Radio stations advertised on TV at one time, the less any one Radio station's message will cut through to the prospect.

Realistic expectations on which factors contribute what percentages to a Radio station's rating share is essential to long-term success.

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by Philip J. LeNoble, Ph.D.

## Price Wars

## Are You Pricing Your Station Out of the Market?

or too many years I have said that Radio salespeople are price specialists who compete for the lowest rate ... and get it. This they call closing a deal. There's no glory in price competition or bidding wars that go on daily in the streets of Radio America.

Consider the statistics: Why, if Radio has 98 percent presence or voice in the market, are we only getting 7.8 cents of the advertising dollar? Is it because we're pricing ourselves too low?

"Price mania is not confined to any one market or type of brand," says Larry Light, chairman of the Coalition for Brand Equity and former board member of BBDO Worldwide and Backer Spielvogel Bates Worldwide. "The ultimate loser will be the buyer, because price-selling's real message is that quality does not matter. ... When a product or Radio station loses its quality, it becomes a commodity, which is exactly what abundant research — and common sense — say buyers do not want."

If we focus on selling the price of Radio rather than its power as the strongest medium during the most critical buying period, 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., when 96 percent of all goods and services are bought, we are telling the customer that the claimed quality of Radio is not there.

Agencies laugh at the Radio rep who drops their rates at the slightest pressure. Caving in that way only helps create

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- Salespeople should sell based on the value of Radio, not the price.
- Sell for the long-term.
- The AE and sales manager's goal is to build and nurture client relationships.

another new cost per point for the market and de-values Radio. AEs, influenced by managers who focus on the short merchandising end of Radio, are sending the wrong message to the client while reducing the station's profits, eroding client loyalty and reducing to zero the real value of their most important assets. The client then believes that if they make the rep wait until tomorrow, the price will be almost 50 percent less.

## Blame the Managers

Emphasis on price, as a focus on short-term sales goals, greatly reduces the clients loyalty over a period of time. Who is behind this demarketing effort? We often find it is the sales manager who is the culprit. Disregarding the fact that the company has invested heavily in marketing the station, the sales manager often dives for share just to make budget, pacify the GM and keep their job. The GM's quest is to keep a high profile with the owner or stockholders by accommodating their need to repay the high debt service. Management has abandoned the hundreds of thousands they invested to create what has become a priceless asset.

Sales trainers have taught the "mental states theory" of AlDA to explain the marketing and sales role. Created in the '50s to explain how marketing and advertising works, the acronym stands for Attention, Interest, Desire, Action. This set is deficient since it only concerns making the sale for the short term. Subhash Jain, author of the textbook, Market Planning and Strategy, submits a theory that modernizes the AlDA approach by substituting AlETA, which involves not only gaining the client's attention and interest but allows for evaluation, trial and adoption.

### Sell Value, Not Price

The word adoption implies enduring and profitable relationships between buyer and seller, whereas the word action in AIDA suggests, "buy today; worry about tomorrow later." Most clients do not like to switch stations every three weeks just for a lower price. They'd prefer to be more consistent, but Radio reps usually convince them to switch because of price, not value.

Consumer psychologists say it is much easier to reinforce attitudes than to change them. We need to reinforce the value of Radio. To keep the customer sold, you and your station must do more than get customers into the store and generate sales. The AE and sales manager's goal is to build, strengthen and nurture client relationships. Price focus is just a one-time compensation.

What is the price of selling an advertiser a schedule for three weeks versus selling them on the true value of Radio for six or 12 months? Since it costs four to six times as much to get a new customer as it does to retain an old customer, it might be better to sell them for the long-term and keep them sold. Advertising on the Radio can only work if it's consistent.

The long-term effect of lowering rates may be that the client becomes loyal to the deal rather than to the station. Lower rates may improve sales in the short run, but high relative levels of rates and long-term contracts always improve margins and relationships over time.

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## **PROMOTION**



by Cliff Berkowitz

## Too Much of a Good Thing

Over-promoting can lead to listener tune-out

I've always been a big proponent of "going overboard" when it comes to doing promotions. Any promotion worth doing is worth doing to the hilt. However Radio as a whole, because of advertising pressures, is now doing boat-loads of promotions not worth doing. It's at epidemic proportions.

Nearly every station in the nation, right now, has too many promotions going at once. While that might be good for business in the short term, it's lousy for your station's long-term health. Doing "Cheese Whiz trivia" on your morning show may help secure "the buy," but it's a huge "who cares" to your audience, and worse than that, it could be a tune-out.

As a station, you only have so many opportunities to promote. If you have 20 different client promotions going, that leaves you little or no time to promote your station.

In a perfect world, clients would gladly place buys on your station without ever giving a thought to promotions or added value. Unfortunately, the world of Radio is far from perfect, and everyone not only wants, but demands, a promotion, sometimes up to 100 percent of the

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- Stations must find ways of satisfying "added-value" needs without using up valuable promotional inventory,
- Whenever possible, keep client promotions "self-contained."
- You can often absorb "added-value" demands by including the clients in existing station promotions.
- Put any remaining client promotions under the umbrella of a unified station campaign.

value of the buy. With this kind of pressure it's no wonder programming is being compromised everywhere you turn. However, it doesn't have to be that way.

### The Self-Contained Contest

There are several things you can do to save the buys and still have a shred of promotional integrity:

1. Keep the promotion "self-contained" and off air. Local retailers are generally looking for promotions that will drive traffic into their stores. Don't fight this, use it to your advantage. Set up

a promotion at their store in which participants have to come in and register. Whenever possible, have them take care of

supplying the prize. However, nowadays, they expect you to take care of that. If that's the case, try and beef up the schedule enough to cover the cost. Most important, handle the promoting of this contest in the body of their spots.

2. Sponsor programs. We all have special shows and features we do regularly. You can often satisfy a client's need for added value simply by making them the sponsor of one of these programs. So when you promote your "All Gregorian Chant Hour" you simply tag, "Brought to you by Joe Blow's Tofu Haus" or something to that effect.

## Open Your Umbrella

3. Do a big station promotion and tie everyone into it. This is one of your best options. This way you are controlling the promotional time, and all your spon-

sors are riding on its coattails. This kind of thing is generally easier to get clients aboard if the promotion is some kind of goodwill-generating, community-oriented promotion. The kind I always favor. Assign a value to participation in this project (make it high) and give it to "select clients" as a bonus.

4. Have an overall marketing plan. When developing your on-air promotional plan, it's always a good idea to leave windows for client merchandise and possible sponsorship. This way, instead of 5,000 separate little client pro-

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motions eating into your promotional inventory, a good deal of them can fall under the umbrella of a larger, station-promoting campaign. One of the simplest is the "Endless Summer Of Prizes" bit. It's a big umbrella that can cover a lot of stuff both big and small and make it sound like one unified promotion.

The fact is, if you're willing to get creative and look beyond what your clients are demanding and find out what they want, you can generally keep your advertisers smiling and free up the promotional time you need to do what's necessary for your station's programming health. And that's going overboard promoting your station! Just like the good old days.

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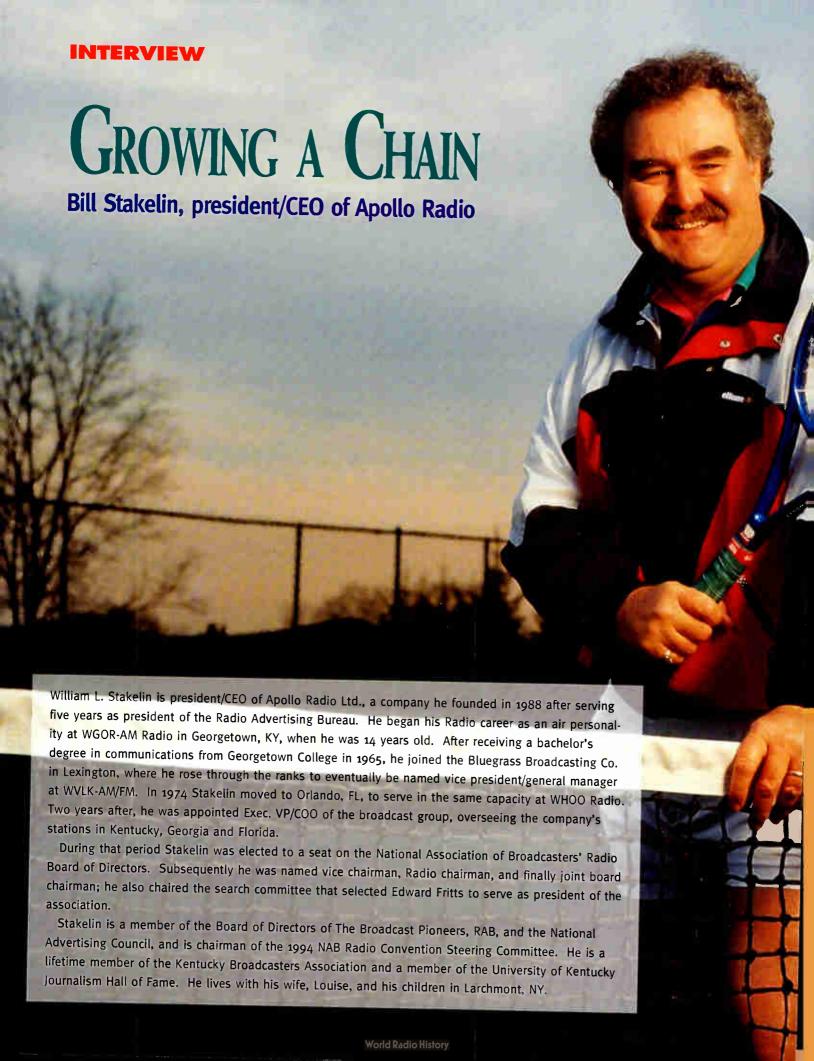
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INK: Most Radio broadcasters probably associate you with the five years you spent as president of the Radio Advertising Bureau ... but in fact you took that position as an interim move into station ownership, correct?

STAKELIN: Yes. I had told the folks who had recruited me to come to the RAB that I would serve five years ... and that's what I served. At that particular time I had always planned on going back into the Radio operations side and start my own company. I've been very fortunate over the years to see some of my dreams become reality, and that was one of them. INK: Was it pure coincidence that the Apollo Radio opportunity came about five years into your presidency, or was that part of the plan?

STAKELIN: Apollo Radio Partners started in 1988, just about the time I began looking for Radio ownership opportunities. I had looked at buying stations on my own, but at the same time two former heads of Viacom — Terry Elkes and Ken Gorman — had an entertainment investment company called Apollo partners, and they wanted to start a Radio group. Their first two choices to run that group - Norm Feuer and Nick Trigony were happy where they were and weren't interested in starting a company from scratch. But they both recommended me, of which I am very appreciative, and we put together a deal. The timing was coincidental, but it was right on schedule.

INK: What was the company's original objective?

**STAKELIN:** Our strategy was to put together a group of Radio stations in midsized markets, working out of our own pockets. As we went along, some other investors who knew our reputation in the Radio business said they'd like to play a role, as well.

INK: Who were those partners?

STAKELIN: One of them was Manufacturer's Hanover, but now it's Chemical Investors. They came in as one of our partners, as did the people at Equitable Capital, which now is Alliance Capital. Our first purchase was KJRB-AM/KEZE-FM in Spokane, which we sold last year to Citadel, but we now own six and have one LMA with an option to buy. We're doubled up in all our markets and, in fact, we have a trombo in Salt Lake City.

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## **SIDELINES**

- ♦ Leisure Activities: reading, tennis, golf, playing with my kids.
- ♦ Recommended Reading: *The Winner Within* and *Conceptual Selling*.
- ♦ Mentor or Role Model: Terry Elkes and Ken Gorman, also General "Chesty" Puller, the greatest marine ever to serve. During the Korean war when the marines were trapped by the Chinese and Korean armies, he single-handedly marched them through the mountains and almost froze to death.
- ♦ The most interesting person you know is: My wife. She has taught me so much.
- ♦ If you had 30 minutes to sit down and talk with someone, whom would you choose ... and why? My priest.
- ♦ If you were granted one wish, what would that be? **Good health.**
- ♦ Who did you listen to on the Radio as you were growing up? Arty Kay on WVLK in Lexington, KY.
- ♦ When you were a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up? An entertainer.
- ♦ What is your pet peeve with Radio? The abundance of people who refuse to think big.
- ♦ The most embarrassing thing that ever happened to me in my career was when I fell off the stage while emceeing an Ike and Tina Turner concert.
- ♦ What has been your most elusive goal? Financial independence.
- ♦ Of what achievement are you most proud? My family.
- ♦ As a listener, what is your favorite format? Country.
- ♦ Is there anything you would do differently if you had it to do over again? I try never to look back.
- ♦ What advice would you give someone who wants to get into Radio? Never give up ... perseverance is a virtue.

## INTERVIEW

INK: You got into ownership in 1990 just before the industry downturn hit full force. How hard did that period hit you, and what steps did you take to see the company through?

**STAKELIN:** You're right ... we bought our three markets just before the Gulf War and the recession hit full blast in the advertising business. And when those things happened we were affected just like everyone else. But we were very fortunate that we made it through that downturn without getting ourselves in any trouble. We were able to maintain our ratings and, while our revenues were affected to a degree, we managed to make it through without getting into trouble. Now that we see the rebound of the industry we're prepared to live and fight and grow for another day.

## INK: Why did you buy the specific markets you're currently in?

**STAKELIN:** We used the same criteria a lot of other people do, but we didn't want to limit ourselves geographically. We said we'd let opportunity dictate where we will go. We were looking for properties that we knew could be improved, either through cost savings combined with potential future growth, or because there was an opportunity to improve the value of the station. Everything we do is based on building value of our properties.

INK: As you may recall, several years ago the industry supposedly shifted from a period of value through speculation to one of value through management. Did the change in the marketplace force you to change your strategy, or were you always operations-oriented?

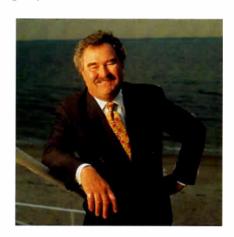
**STAKELIN:** We never looked at this company with a hit-and-run attitude. We weren't looking for quick turnarounds where we could buy something and sell it in two years to make a huge amount of money. We're certainly not against that, but that was not why we got in the business. We've always looked at Radio on a long-term basis. We think it's a very healthy business, and the financial community is beginning to see it as a very stable investment industry. Still, our goal - that of growing into a major chain of American Radio stations — remains unfulfilled at this time.

INK: How close are you to doing that?

STAKELIN: We got slowed down like everybody else by the downturn in the economy, so our game plan is a year or two behind schedule. But when you consider that we made it through the downturn without getting into trouble, we feel very lucky to be poised with cash in our pocket to be in a growth position. Currently we're aggressively seeking new acquisitions and new opportunities to grow and increase the size and quality of our company.

INK: How important is duopoly in your acquisition strategy?

STAKELIN: It's very important. You may remember that we were one of the first groups to do an LMA when we combined



WXLY-FM with WEZL-FM in Charleston. At that time the duopoly rules had not been changed, so LMA was the rule of the day — and thank goodness our advisers had the foresight to put an option-to-buy clause in just in case the rules changed one day. Because at the end of the year they did change. Basically the book is still being written on the virgin territory of duopoly, and I don't think there are any fast rules that make it all work. We went into it to increase our market and revenue shares, and to increase the viability of our business within a given market. So far that has worked very well in all three of our markets. But, I hasten to add that we have experienced the same learning curve and growing pains that everybody else who has entered into duopoly is experiencing.

## INK: What are some of these lessons you've learned?

**STAKELIN:** First, there is no clear-cut fast rule on how to structure sales. We have found it best to sit down and analyze each situation and structure accordingly. The next step is to be flexible enough so

if something's not working, you can change it quickly. We've changed the ways we're doing things drastically since we first entered into our LMA. We have markets where one sales staff is working beautifully, and other situations where separate sales staffs have created exactly what was needed in that marketplace to drive our ratings and revenues. I used to always be amazed at sales conferences when panelists would present "100 ways to close" or "100 ideas for making a fast buck." They make great speeches, but anybody who takes them as ultimate truth is going to be very surprised. The same holds true for duopoly: The cost savings are obviously there in certain areas, but no two situations are alike. It's important to remember that, in duopoly. you own two entities, you run two entities, you program two entities, and you serve the community with two entities. Both of them must be properly positioned, and certainly the advertisers and the listeners must know the value of both properties in a duopoly to make them work. INK: One overworked word we've heard a lot about in duopoly is synergy. How

important is it?

**STAKELIN:** I can only speak for ourselves. but we really haven't gone the diverse route. Our feeling is that if you double up, both stations should complement one another. Certainly from a sales standpoint it makes it easier and more logical, because not only does it make it easier to sell, but it makes it easier for the advertisers to buy. In Charleston we have country and oldies, which we think offer a lot of synergies as far as the composition of the audience and the way we sell and market it. We have that same combination in Salt Lake City, and in Kansas City we locked up a dominant position in adult contemporary. Now we have a huge chunk of the audience, and if you want AC and female listeners in Kansas City. it's almost impossible to buy around us if you're going to make a wise buy. That sort of synergy is extremely valuable.

## INK: Do you sell your stations in combo, or do you keep them separate?

STAKELIN: Again, there's no hard and fast rule. Actually, it's very much like Radio has always been sold if you owned an AM and FM in the same marketplace. I remember years ago management would go through these torturous exercises as

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to whether one staff should sell the AM and FM, or if there should be two sales staffs. It's the same exercise that people are going through now. What we're learning is that while we can control certain aspects of our business, there is a thing called the buying public that is going to exercise a certain amount of control, too. Also, duopoly scares a lot of agency buyers because they think they're going to lose control of pricing. So we constantly are faced, as we are with AM-FM combinations, with agency buyers trying to drive down the cost, trying to get people to bonus one station against the other, and not wanting to increase the share of the dollars given to one specific company in a marketplace. There's no one who's selling duopoly who's not being pressured to bonus or cut rates in any market in America today. The real key is how to get around that and increase the perceived value and demand for both stations to where that doesn't become a major budgetary factor.

INK: Do you see any downside to duopoly? STAKELIN: There have been a lot of false starts on the sales side, and most people have come to the conclusion that duopolies need to be marketed separately. Also, we're very cautious about cutting any programming corners because the product is the only thing we have to sell. That's what Radio is. We must have a distinct product of value for the sales staff to be able to sell to advertisers. It's also important not to jump into a duopoly thinking, "Now I have double the inventory, I now have double the Radio stations, and I'm going to have double the budgets." That's a DisneyWorld philosophy, and it's just not going to happen. People are working very hard to create values for each station that they own, and — if you cut back too far in programming, marketing or even sales — you probably are not going to get that accomplished.

INK: Has duopoly forced salespeople to move away from standard marketing techniques and become more innovative in their approach?

**STAKELIN:** Having been around this industry for 35 years, observation alone tells me that the intelligence and quality of the individual working in this great industry today is light years ahead of

where it was just a few years ago. We have some very bright, intelligent people in this industry. We've grown up tremendously over the last few years, and there's no reason to take a back seat to any other industry or have any type of inferiority complex. This is not an industry that's easy to get into, and now you'd better be smart, intelligent and work and be in the 21st century if you're going to survive in Radio. It's no longer just a fun game of playing records and selling spots; it's become one of the most competitive industries in America.

## INK: In what areas could the industry still stand to improve?

STAKELIN: Well, while we have improved tremendously over the last few years, one of my pet peeves is the large number of people in our industry who are what I would term "small thinkers." They don't really realize the value of this industry and the value of their product in the open public marketplace. Therefore, we spend a lot of time in petty counter-productive activities and infighting. When you're in a competitive business, there's always going to be a dog-eat-dog attitude in certain areas, and we're always going to fight for the money on the table. But we seem to be having trouble going to the next plateau in realizing just what a big and successful industry Radio has become. INK: Do you think we allow advertisers and media buyers to dictate too much what rates are - and consequently drive down Radio's value?

**STAKELIN:** Radio is one big bargaining situation, and there are always two sides. It's our job to get the greatest value we can for our time, and it's the media buyer's job to bring in the schedule and campaign at the smallest possible cost. We need to realize the value of our product and refuse to sell at less than that. We can't blame the agencies and other people for some of the discount rates that are being charged by Radio groups across the country. We need to realize that our job is to be in charge of our product, and their job is to get us bought as cheaply as they can.

INK: Can Radio still stand to improve its relationship with advertisers and agencies?

STAKELIN: We've already come a long way in doing that. Radio right now enjoys a great deal of esteem in the general advertising community, with the agen-



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## Venture Increases Financial Viability of Radio

## Training with no time off the street

ew York — When charged with the responsibility of building an industry, the Radio Advertising Bureau's Gary Fries determined that lack of training was one of radio's biggest problems. Fries determined that if training were left to individual station managers and sales managers, then salespeople, and ultimately radio, would suffer due to management's lack of time and ability to train. Though he knew all stations had access to cassettes and video tapes from myriad trainers, Fries was looking for something to provide long-term benefit ... knowledge that would stick with salespeople for a lifetime.

According to Fries: "If the battle for advertising dollars were considered a war, the force with the best trained, biggest army wins the war. Radio already has the biggest army in that radio has more salespeople on the street every day than newspapers, magazines, television, cable, outdoor, specialty advertising and skywriting put together. So the only thing standing in the way of radio becoming the primary advertising medium it deserves to be is the lack of quality training of our professional sales army. We must convince management to make the sales training investment that our frontline salespeople need, want and must have." Fries recognized that standard training would not do, that seasoned media professionals would not stand for the same training techniques administered to them year after year.

Hearing that Fries was seeking the ultimate training program, Sarah McCann, president of the Chris Lytle organization, approached the RAB. "The Lytle organization came to us with a proposal that included precisely the ingredients we had planned on including in our RAB professional training

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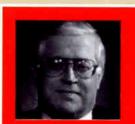
program," says Fries. "In addition, their program had been field tested in Canada with extraordinarily successful results." Chris Lytle determined that the best way to train salespeople with lasting results was to develop a correspondence course with an attached accreditation and a grading system. According to Lytle: "In

the correspondence course format, people are using 80 to 90 percent of the learning, because it's taught in modules and applied every week." Lytle determined that if people took the course with ac-

countability, and the possibility of failing, they would be unable to give their company false indications that they were studying. The accreditation would create a high status position of sorts, giving salespeople pride in having taken the course, passing it, and now holding the top sales honor in their country. "I've always dreamed of having an operations manual like the one McDonald's gives people telling them exactly how to run one of their franchises," says Lytle. "I figured there ought to be a training manual for the Radio salesperson that would tell him or her exactly how to run their business, a manual for the sales rep, like a turnkey sales training program, and a manager's manual, too."

"Our RAB training professionals, George Hyde and Mike Mahone, spent days with Chris Lytle and Sarah McCann molding the course to exact RAB specifications," says Fries. Lytle has spent 14 years in development of the programs. An announcement of the revolutionary program was made at the RAB Managing Sales Conference, and was exceptionally well-received. "The RAB Board of Directors has unanimously endorsed the program and group owners from all market sizes are recommending, and in some cases insisting, that all of their šalespeople and managers apply for admission to the courses," says Fries. Broadcaster Lowell "Bud" Paxon announced he was signing up 52 of his people.

Three levels of training are being offered through the RAB ... Radio Marketing Associate (RMA), Radio Marketing Master (RMM) and Manager of Radio Marketing (MRM). The RMA program is designed for professionals selling radio at an entry level. This is for non-seasoned professionals. RAB's George Hyde



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- Gary Fries

calls it, "The Tadpole Course," which is customized to give beginning salespeople knowledge in areas seasoned professionals already understand. The RMM is a master program for seasoned radio professionals who want to get the equivalent of a master's degree in selling radio. The program explores high-level selling concepts and programs to expand the horizons of the seasoned pro. "One of the biggest mistakes a manager makes is to manage the bottom of the sales force," says Lytle. "You have to manage the 20 percent of people who bring in 80 percent of the billing. If they're not get-

## **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:**

Radio Marketing Master (RMM): For veterans. Two years or more experience. By earning the RMM, you demonstrate to your client that you are a career professional. As salespeople, we are able to tell clients what they need to position their business. Now it's time for salespeople to position their own careers.

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Manager of Radio Marketing (MRM): For sales managers of all levels. It's a fact that the best sales managers have the best salespeople. Your salespeople get better when you get better. You'll have better followers when you become a stronger leader. This course is supercharging the careers of managers who think they are-pretty good, but know they can get better.

ting attention and recognition and training, they're going to slip into old habits and screw up. We built the RMM program for the veteran who has forgotten what he or she knows and is just doing it on autopilot. It reminds them of all the things they did to become successful and makes them rethink their jobs. You can go through the motions and make pretty good money, but when you make a conscious decision to change and get better, all the leverage is at the top of your staff." According to the RAB's Fries, "These three professional radio sales and marketing courses, as a project, must rank with the most important things that the RAB has ever done to increase the financial viability of the radio industry."

The MRM program is designed for managers who are managing salespeople at all levels. Too frequently managers put their salespeople through training but are not stretching their own horizons. Lytle says: "The manager's course focuses managers on the fact that all business problems are management problems, and most management problems are system problems. By giving the manager systems for getting good people, systems for training, systems for compensating and motivating these people, it makes the sales management job more structured and less chaotic. Management is really bringing order out of chaos."

than worrying about the 22 radio stations they could buy from," says Lytle.

How difficult is the course? It's not easy, but it is designed to be incorporated into your everyday routine ... complete with tapes you can listen to on the way to appointments. It requires study, assignments and homework, but the end results are beneficial. KJJY/KRUU/ KKSO's Pepper Ricci-Morrison in Des Moines, IA has six children and a job in radio sales and still maintained a 99.5 percent average. The program requires no time off the streets and relates to most every selling situation you're in that week. It's essentially a sophisticated on-the-jobtraining program. According to the people at Chris Lytle and Associates: "You're either expandable or you're expendable, you're either growing or you're obsolete. Only dead fish swim with the current."

he real proof, however, is in the results that stations are seeing. "We are now in our third class and every one has been a sellout," says Fries. "The real gratification from this new program and the true proof of what it can, and is doing for radio comes from the letters, faxes, and phone calls from graduates of the courses. From the ranks of salespeople, sales managers, and general managers who have graduated, we hear of sales increases of 20, 30, 40 and 50 percent and client amazement at the

> station representatives' profound increases in professionalism." An example is 10-year veteran Pepper Ricci-Morrison, previously mentioned. She reports that her sales went up 54 percent as a

result of the course. Though statistics are hard to come by, and difficult to assimilate, 11 Radio Marketing Masters report sales totaling \$82,654 in one week while taking the course. Six Managers of Radio Marketing report sales totaling \$143,425 in one week while taking the 13-week course. Five Radio Marketing Associates report sales of \$74,876 in one week while taking the seven-week course. (See graph.)

Evidence of overwhelming sales success comes from the lips of those who have taken the course (see sidebar). All who passed have seen an increase in confidence and better control over their sales calls, and the people they deal with. Even the jaded seasoned professionals are seeing tremendous results from the RABsponsored course. "Even Jack Nicklaus takes golf lessons, and every time you get good at something, it's easy to forget what made you successful," says Lytle. "If salespeople are not constantly analyzing, rethinking, refining their skills, practicing what they do, relearning and

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING ABOUT RAB/LYTLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

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— Medium Midwest Market

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Large Midwest Market

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Medium Midwest Market

"The three-level question helped build a rapport that might not otherwise have been there if I had come hellbent to bash the competition and to expound on the greatness of my station."

- One of the Biggest Markets

"The client who says, 'I only have a minute, so let's get into it, I'm short-handed today'... gave me an hour and was fascinated that I knew so much about his business."

— Medium Mountain Market

retraining, they are going to fall back into old habits. And they're going to call on the same old clients with the same old patterns, asking for the same amounts of money." What this program appears to do, particularly for the veterans, is to help them break out of the patterns they've developed, especially with a client they've called on for three to five years. "It gets them to try new things with old clients," says Lytle. "Instead of assuming the client hasn't changed, and pitching them the same old way, salespeople are able to go in and shake down some new money." The course is full of techniques even seasoned veterans have never seen. It's not a rehash of tired, old materials.

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cies, the big national advertisers, even the biggest car dealers in the local marketplace. Basically we are a local retail business and, while national business is still important to us, we never want to forget that 78 cents of every dollar we earn comes from Main Street, U.S.A. Radio is a locally driven business, and advertisers across this country have an all-new respect for the listenership of Radio and what we can do to bring customers into a store or a showroom. Basically, their opinion of Radio and its effectiveness and its place in the advertising community has never been better ... and that's what we really need to capitalize on as an industry.

INK: How much credit do you give to the RAB for helping to create this perception? STAKELIN: The RAB has done a tremendous job. Quite modestly, I have to say that the association had growth and prestige and position for about five years, then it took a back step for a couple of years. But now, the new RAB with Gary Fries and Wayne Cornils and Ron Ruth and Judy Carlough and all the other folks there have been tremendously aggressive in selling and marketing the value of Radio. And it's really paying off.

## INK: How important are the Radio Mercury Awards in all this?

STAKELIN: They're tremendously important. The problem of creative on a national front needed to be dealt with for years, and the Mercury Awards were created to deal with that. It's a wonderful program, and it helps tremendously with the larger agencies. But creativity goes right down to the local level. I honestly believe that Radio should get back to playing market adviser and agency adviser for clients. I loved Radio best when we created the campaigns for the client ... and that still should be the way it is with local Radio.

INK: As former RAB president, how would you pitch a station on joining RAB today? What would you tell them was RAB's greatest value?

**STAKELIN:** The same thing I would tell them about why they need to belong to the National Association of Broadcasters. We are a mature, significant industry, and therefore we need to exercise our strengths by speaking through a uni-

fied, powerful voice. We cannot do this as 10,000 separate Radio stations, on the Hill in Washington or on Madison Avenue in New York, or anywhere major advertising decisions are being made. The biggest roles these two organizations play is in giving us that unified powerful voice to speak as one. We may not always agree with all decisions these associations make, but we need to stand up as the mature industry we are and lead the charge.

INK: Some industry critics — this publication included — have been critical of NAB. What would you tell these people that NAB has done for them lately?

STAKELIN: Eddie Fritts and the rest of the staff at NAB constantly are reassessing their role for the broadcast community. with Radio playing a major role. There isn't anyone there who shoves Radio aside. or says it's not as important as the television industry. Now, I do not necessarily agree with everything NAB does, and some complaints about NAB may be legitimate - especially if you consider that many broadcasters are guided by their own personal agendas. But we all need to grow up and think as an industry and put our personal needs aside. The NAB has been as active on the Hill for the Radio industry over the last few years as at any time in history. Look at what is going on with beer and wine, and AM improvements, and the auto leasing disclaimer bill that has been pushed through ... NAB has been leading the charge on all these fights, and Radio has benefited from every one of them.

INK: You were joint board chairman when Sen. Packwood observed that, "NAB can't lobby its way out of a paper bag." ...

**STAKELIN:** Yes, and I didn't particularly take exception at that time with the senator's comments. While I didn't believe it 100 percent, I think it certainly had some validity. But Eddie Fritts and his group have gone a long way turning that around.

INK: Let's talk about the Radio Show in L.A. Is Radio going to maintain its singular identity at the convention, or will it get lost amid the other meetings and exhibitions? STAKELIN: I've heard many opinions from people in the industry whom I highly respect who are concerned with that question, but I would maintain that, once again, we're not focusing on the right

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issue. If I were one of the groups that was being forced to share exhibit space in L.A. with the national Radio convention, I would really be upset. I would be complaining about being overshadowed by the great big Radio industry that is enjoying so much success in America.

INK: Still, a lot of folks in Radio feel that the industry deserves to have its own meeting -STAKELIN: It does ... in fact, Radio has two of the greatest national meetings that exist in any industry today. When you take a look at what RAB has done with the MSC, and when you look at the NAB Radio Convention, you see two of the best industry meetings in America today. And they can get stronger and better if they are truly focused on the one important thing - and that is the promotion of Radio. But if we sidetrack ourselves with pettiness, we're going to lose focus on the value not only of the convention, but of Radio as well.

INK: What can Radio broadcasters expect to take home from the L.A. convention that they haven't gotten in the past?

STAKELIN: What you take away from any

meeting is measured, to a certain extent, on what you want to learn. But I would like to say that this convention is being planned and controlled from start to finish by a group of broadcasters in whom I have a lot of confidence. Anna Mae Sokusky from CBS is co-chairing the management program, Jim Champlin of Beck-Ross Broadcasting is heading up the sales program, and David Cantor at Cap Cities/ABC is heading up the programming end.

INK: But how do we know that the sessions won't end up being the "same-old same-old"?

STAKELIN: First, we're changing the format of the program. We think there's a great opportunity to make it a tremendous celebration of an industry that has matured and grown up and is enjoying far more success than at any other time in history. We want people puffed up with the pride of successes. Second, we want to make sure there is great value in the learning process if they're going to spend their time and money to leave their businesses and come to Los Angeles. We feel it's time to move beyond the talking head panels, to move beyond conventions

that don't have interaction. We feel there are three masters to serve at this convention — sales, management and programming — and that's what we intend to do. The RAB and NAB have done very well with the first two of these but, if you remember, this convention started out as a programming conference, so we feel a need to place real emphasis on the programming area, as well. David Cantor and his people have planned some innovative and exciting things, even nightly showcases where they hope to put programmers together with artists. Not just roundtable discussions with talking heads; we want interaction. We want the people there who are controlling the discussion and who know what they're talking about, from the record industry as well as other industries. And I can assure you that the steering committee of this convention is not just suggesting session titles and panelists and then letting someone else put it together. We started working at the first of the year, and we will continue to work right up to showtime to build what we feel will be a program of value to every Radio broadcaster in America.—RB

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The halls of the NAB convention were ablaze with buyers. Technology companies report record sales from this spring's NAB convention, a refreshing change from the abundance of empty checkbooks during the recession. Manufacturers tell us people were there to buy ... or were very close to buying ... for several reasons: stations have held off on purchases due to the economy and cannot hold off any longer due to equipment failures and needs, stations are on the rebound and cash is more easily available, and companies who have entered into duopolies are combining facilities and adding studios in one location with fresh, new, reliable equipment. Also, after taking a "wait and see" attitude, many stations are more comfortable with the new digital computerized technology and are buying digital editing and control systems. Others, taking what they think is the secure route, are buying the latest versions of tried-and-true equipment.

Whatever your needs, we hope you enjoy our walk through the halls of this spring's NAB convention, and happy shopping.

## 360 Systems



360 Systems' DigiCart/II

Onscreen/II PC Software For DigiCart/II is a computer software program designed to run play/record functions and build and edit playlists in a Windows environment. AES/EBU interface for DigiCart/II is an optional feature and provides industry standard digital I/O in AES/EBU, IEC 958 Type II format, and conventional analog I/O. Contact Doug Leighton, 818-342-3127.

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## **AEQ**

The AEQ Digital Audio Codec ACD-3000 is the audio codec selected for the transmissions of the Soccer World Cup USA games. The ACD-3000 can be used in a wide range of operating modes and combinations. The AEQ Telephone Line Extender (TLE-02) is ideal for remote event transmission, allow-

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## AKG Acoustics Inc.

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AKG's C3000

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## Aphex Systems

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## **Arrakis Systems**

Arrakis Systems, a leading supplier of consoles, hard-disk (Digilink) automation and studio furniture, has introduced several new products designed specifically to assist broadcasters with their satellite, CD automation and live, on-air requirements. Contact Dave Burns, 317-855-2548.

## Audio Broadcast Group

Audio Broadcast Group Inc. introduces the Data Stream Series of its digital-ready studio furniture, redesigned for 1994. The furniture is created specifically for the efficient housing and operation of today's digital hard-drive storage/studio automation systems and workstations. It is

designed to combine functional work space and eye-pleasing appearance. Contact Dave Howland, 800-999-9281.

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Audio Technica's AT4050/CM5 Microphone, 500 Series Wireless Microphone and MMS337 Speaker

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## Audio Technologies Inc.

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## **Auditronics**

The Destiny 2000 Program Management System and Audio Console has the capability of integrating music and traffic logs, controlling the integrated log, and playing on-air sources from stand-alone hard-disk storage and CD jukeboxes. It operates

as live-assist (an interactive console under your control) or auto (under com-

puter control or satellite delivery). For more information, call 901-362-1350.

## **Beyerdynamic**

Beyerdynamic offers an enhanced version of the U 700 UHF wireless system with SEM 700 hand-held or TS 900 pocket transmitters, and the new NE 700 TE2 two-channel diversity receiver. A new family of TG-X microphones, the TG-X 30/35 head-worn mics allow for unobtrusive, hands-free applications. Contact Shirley Beyer, 516-293-3200.

## Broadcast Electronics Inc.



Broadcast Electronics daBOX™

Broadcast Electronics, Inc. introduces the Audio VAULT On Line™, digital audio and data networking for Radio stations, daBOX™, a new hard-disk audio/program controller in a single PC, and Broadcast Electronics' FM-3C™, the company's new 3 kW solid-state FM



Auditronics Destiny 2000 Program Management
System and Audio Console

transmitter. Contact Kim Winking 800-426-9082.

## Communication Automation and Control Inc.

Communication Automation and Control Inc. introduces a new stackable floating point DSP board for the PC/104 Bus. Known as the PC5-DO, the board is based on AT&T's 50-MHz DSP32C, features 512 kbytes of zero-wait-state SRAM, and is available with either an 8-or 16-bit PC/104 interface. Also available for the PC5-DO is a new PC/104 carrier card that offers multiple stereo audio band daughtercard options. For more information, call 800-367-6735.

## Communications Data Services Inc.

RFCAD Release 1.2 is the only commercially available propagation analysis package to incorporate land use and land cover data for attenuation due to buildings and vegetation. Coupled with DCS' complete North American 3 Arc Second Digital Terrain Data on CD-ROM, RFCAD produces among the most accurate propagation analyses. Contact Jason Barbour, 800-441-0034.

## Computer Concepts Corp.



**Computer Concepts' Visual Traffic** 

VT, Visual Traffic, is a Windowsbased system that provides trouble-free traffic operation even for inexperienced

staff, "drag and drop" for order entry, log scheduling and repositioning of bumped events. DCS Live! is a Windows-based interface for DCS for live and live-assist formats. It provides "drag and drop" carts into a graphic representation of cartmachines on screen. Other DCS enhancements include: AES/EBU digital interface, and central data base capability. For more information, call 800-255-6350.

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## **Crown Broadcast**

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## **Custom Business Systems Inc.**

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## **Cutting Edge**

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## **Dalet Digital Media Systems**

Dalet is introducing several new applications, including a multitrack editor with unlimited virtual tracks (eight stereo tracks can be played at one time



ComStream's ABR200 digital audio receiver



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Digital DJ's in-dash LCD screen

on one audio board) and a news application for simultaneous editing of text and sound files. Furthermore, Dalet's older applications — cart replacement, satellite automation, walk-away music automation — are being steadily improved. In Paris, contact Astrid Carver at 33 (1) 40 38 01 39.

## dbx

A new addition to the dbx Project 1 Series is the 242 Parametric Equalizer (retail \$299), a five-band, parametric EQ with three bands of fully parametric peak/dip equalization and two bands of shelving filters, each with a switchable shelf slope. The configuration of the 242 gives more sound control than any other outboard EQ in this price range, graphic or parametric; and the low noise circuitry, constant Q filters and balanced inputs provide higher performance than more expensive units. For more information, call 206-458-3838.

## **DIC Digital**

DIC Digital's newest generation of professional-quality digital media is the CD-R recordable CD, which is available in 18-, 63- and 74-minute recording times. The new CD-R product meets the Orange Book standard. Contact Kevin Kennedy, 201-692-7700.

## **Dielectric Communications**

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## Digital DJ Inc.

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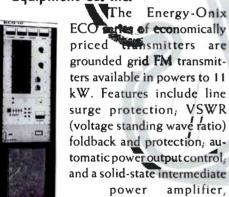
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#### **Fairlight**

Fairlight has introduced a smaller portable low cost version of the MFX Digital Audio Workstation. Based on the latest MFX3 technology, the MFX MINI can be configured from four to eight tracks and is available in a rackmount or compact chassis. The mini is fully compatible with the larger MFX3 mainframe system and will be available in May/June 1994. Contact Graeme Rothwell in Austral 61 (2) 975 1230.

#### **Fidelipac**

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#### **Gentner Communications** Corp.

Gentner Communications Corp. introduced the TS612 multiline telephone system and the G2700 Superhybrid. The TS612 allows up to 12 phone lines, access from up to three locations, and simultaneous on-air and off-air use. The G2700 can directly connect to business telephone systems. Both products incorporate Gentner's new DCT (direct connect technology) circuitry. Contact Elaine Jones, 801-975-7200.



Gentner Communications' TS612 multiline telephone system and G2700 Superhybrid

#### IDB Communications Group Inc.

IDB has selected the Telos Zephyr as the centerpiece of its new digital audio network, called A/FX, enabling IDB to carry sports transmissions for Radio rights holders of the National Hockey League and Major League Baseball. The Telos Zephyr is the first switched-56 equipment to handle a 15 kHz audio backhaul and 7.5 kHz return/cue audio channels, Contact Lori Gutknecht, 213-240-3758.

#### Intraplex Inc.

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#### ITC Corp.

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Lectrosonics' DC1 signal processor

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#### Leitch Inc.

The ASR-16X1 AES/EBU Audio Serial Router module for Leitch's Xplus Series conforms to AES3-1992 specifications for the transmission of stereo digital audio. It provides trouble-free switching of digital stereo audio signals with sample rates of 32, 44.1, and 48 kilosamples per second. For more information, call 800-231-9673.

#### **LPB**

The new LPB SALSA Digital Audio System incorporates satellite automation, live studio assist; production, DTMF remote control, full automation, cart machine replacement; spot, liner, music and data record and playback. A proprietary DDS-2 tape system allows digital storage of 660 songs. Contact John Devecka, 215-644-1123.

#### MARTI Electronics Inc.

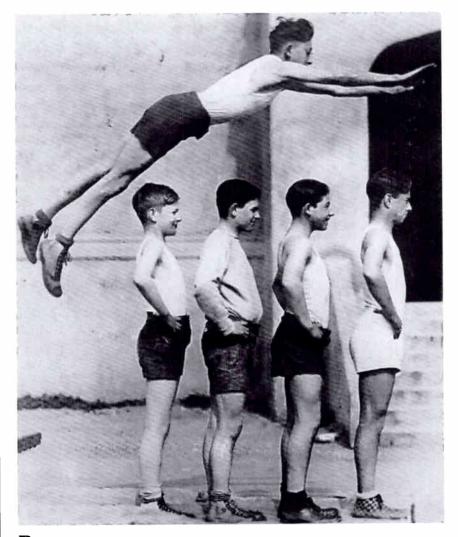
MARTI's SR-10 Frequency Agile RPU Receiver covers the entire 450/455 mHz RPU band. Features include: frequency agile, front panel selection, remote frequency selection, scan, AFC lock, monitor speaker, multifunction test meter and modular construction. Contact Dan Rau, 817-645-9163.



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adaptor (Electronics Industry Association) for connecting American standard transmission lines to 7/16 DIN cables. Intermodulation producing adapters have been eliminated in the new design and the Reducer's low voltage standing wave ratio allows it to be used for instrumentation and testing up to cut-off frequency of the larger line. For more information, call 201-767-5380.

#### Nady Systems Inc.

New products introduced by Nady Systems include: Nady ENG-11, a snapon VHF transmitter that converts microphones to wireless; Nady ENG-12, snapon multichannel UHF transmitter with tone squelch; Nady 661 VR multichannel UHF wireless microphone system with tone squelch; Nady WQ-4000 VHF wireless IFB system; and Nady WQ-5000 multichannel UHF IFB system with tone squelch. For more information, call 510-652-2411.

#### **Nautel**



Nautel's NE50 50-watt Digital FM Exciter

The NE50 50-watt Digital FM Exciter uses 32-bit Direct Digital Synthesis (DDS) to generate the modulated FM carrier. This produces a signal of spectral purity and audio fidelity that does not degrade over time. The DDS-generated FM signal is free from the non-linearity and instability associated with conventional voltage controlled oscillator generated signals. The simple front-panel frequency selection requires no tuning adjustment, and audio performance is not affected by channel selection. The broad-ban, solid-state amplifier is capable of up to 55 watts with adjustable output to 1 watt. For more information, call 207-947-8200.

#### National Public Radio (NPR)

NPR Satellite Services provides fulltime and occasional satellite transmission services on Galaxy IV and Satcom C-5 to Radio broadcasters. The SCPC (single channel per carrier) transmission system allows for digital audio and analog audio on same transponder. For more information, call 202-414-2626.

#### Otari Corp.

Otari's MR-10 MiniDisc Recorder will be available midyear in two standalone versions, Record/Play and Play only. The recorder features analog and serial I/Os, parallel and serial control, mono/stereo switching, full function remote, extensive editing functions, rehearse, repeat and next play modes, remote titling and more. For more information, call 415-341-5900.



Otari's MR-10 MiniDisc Recorder

#### Orban

Orban offers a new software update for its DSE 7000 workstation. The software will be sent free, on a self-installing disk, to all registered DSE 7000 owners. Highlights include enhanced editing functions, a faster disk-management system, support for foreign language DSEs, and full controls for a new digital/analog input/output option. Contact Geoff Steadman, 617-789-4673.

#### Pacific Recorders & Engineering Corporation

PR&E's new ADX BASIC is a desktop version of the ADX Work-Station expandable to the fully loaded ADX WorkStation and MixStation system. Complete with the ADX tape recorder style control panel. it also includes a Macintosh Quadra 610 (1.2 gigabyte internal hard-drive for three track-hours of recording time),



Pacific Recorders & Engineering's ADX BASIC

16-inch monitor, keyboard, mouse and eight-channel digital signal processing unit. Additional SCSI devices can be added. Contact Richard Maddox, 619-438-3911.



Panasonic's SV-4100 Pro-DAT

#### Panasonic Pro Audio/Ramsa

Panasonic has developed a new Pro-DAT machine, which offers instant start and external sync capability. The new Panasonic SV-4100 is a logical development after the SV-3700 Pro-DAT, which set high standards of reliability and outstanding record/replay quality. For more information, call 714-373-7277.

#### **Pristine Systems Inc.**

Pristine Systems' complete digital automation system controls CD and DAT or satellite; overlapping hard-disk audio; live assist or unattended playback; uses generic PCs; Pristine Music Plus scheduling software; production with digital editor; provides software updates quarterly; offers completely redundant systems; and traffic system interface. Leasing is available. More than 250 systems have been sold worldwide. Contact William B. (Beau) Sanders, 803-370-2400

#### Radio Computing Services Inc.

Selector With Sound software can be

used with Master Control, the paperless all-digital studio, to actually listen to your log from your office, hear songs, promos, commercials, and every other scheduled event; and play variable hook lengths or entire elements. Contact Tom Zarecki, 914-723-8567.

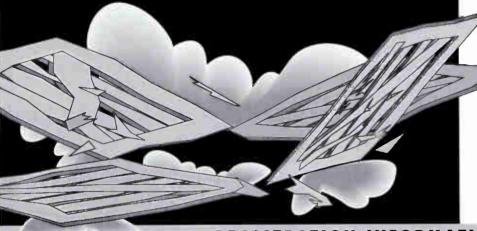


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Radio Systems'
Digital Delivery System

#### Radio Systems Inc.

DDS, for Digital Delivery System, is a digital audio system designed specifically for live talent operations. Via unique, ample-to-use interface panels, talent can call up and air cuts without having to use computer terminals, mice or keyboards. DDS is built around a UNIX-style, multiuser, real-time operating system that allows simultaneous access to the system by many users. It stores audio on its internal hard disk or controls CD juke-boxes and other sources. For more information, call 609-467-8000.

#### **RE America**

RE America is introducing three new video codecs. The RE 4500 45 Mb/s component video codec, the RE 3400 34 Mb/s ETSI video codec, and the RE 8860/8870 140 Mb/s composite video codec. Flexible and cost-effective, the codecs transfer high-quality video and audio data via standard telephone lines. For more information, call 216-871-7617.



RE America's video codec

#### SADIE Inc.

SADiE is a professional digital audio disk editor running on the 486 PC plat-

form under Windows 3.1. SADiE performs real-time editing, mixing, cross-fading and processing functions and provides digital inputs and outputs. The editor also provides dynamics, equalization, noise reduction, resampling, time stretching, multitake recording and overdubbing, automation, and CD-R support. Contact Jeff Boggs, 615-327-1140.

#### Scott Studios Corp.

Scott Studios offer an eight-track graphic waveform digital audio editor for CompuCarts, a touchscreen digital audio player. The system provides announcers six cart players on a computer with legible outcues, countdown clocks, and an "end" light. 10 "always ready" buttons can start predefined jingles, etc. Contact Dave Scott, 800-330-3004.

#### Shure Brothers Inc.

Shure's FP32A Portable Stereo Mixer is an updated version of the FP32. The new, low-noise mixer offers more than 40 improvements. Additional features include peak limiters for the left and right outputs, a 1-kHz tone oscillator to help set reference levels, two compact VU meters, and "soft touch" knobs with raised position indicators. For more information, call 708-866-2542.

cordable CD-R media — the CDQ-74 and CDQ-63 discs. For more information, call 212-505-9900.

#### **Superior Electric**



Superior Electric's WHC Series STABILINE Power Conditioners

Superior Electric's WHC Series STABILINE Power Conditioners, for AC power systems up to 600 VAC, correct wide input voltage variations and maintain output voltage within a selectable 1 percent to 9 percent. They feature ratings from 12 to 33 kVA single phase, 10 to 125 kVA three phase; single and individual phase control and 95 percent efficiency. For more information, call 203-585-4500.

#### Symetrix Inc.

The 420 Stereo Amplifier features 20 watts RMS per channel/40 watts bridged mono, front-panel

headphone jack, "dual tracing" mode, and mono mode. The 602 Stereo Digital Processor simultaneously provides multidynamics processing, delay effects, and parametric equalization with digital and analog stereo I/O, real-time MIDI, and 256 presets. For more information, call 206-787-3222.

#### Sonv

Sony Electronics' professional audio division has introduced the MDS-B1 minidisc recorder and MDS-B2 minidisc player, a high-quality multi-effects processor, the HR-MP5, which offers 100 user-definable presets, the F-700 series of dynamic hand-held microphones; and the DMA-2000 mic line input unit for voice-overs. Sony's professional media division introduced a new 15-minute Pro DAT Plus digital audiocassette, and re-

(clockwise) Sony's HR-MP5, ProDAT audio cassettes, F-710 microphone, and

minidisc recorder and player

#### Tectan Inc.

The new Tectan RBDS encoders provide an opportunity for stations to enter the world of smart Radios for a low cost without sacrificing future capabili-



Tectan's RBDS encoder

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ties. They provide complete hardware implementation of the RBDS standard, and features can be added with software upgrades. The introduction price is less than \$1,000. Contact Judi Pendleton, 800-TECTAN-1.

#### **Telos Systems**

The Telos Zephyr Digital Network Audio Transceiver is capable of transmitting 15-kHz stereo audio on a single dial-up ISDN (Integrated System Digital Network) phone line. Able to send broadcast-quality audio via terrestrial transmission virtually anywhere in the world, Zephyr is ideal for remote broadcasts, ad hoc networks, backup microwave and satellite links. For more information, call 216-241-7225.



Telos' Zephyr Digital Network Audio Transceiver

#### TM Century







Screens from TM Century's new products

Among TM Century's new products is the Ultimate Digital Studio II for live assist or full automation of Radio stations. Many enhanced features make the new software both powerful and easy to use. Also new are the CD-ROM products for Radio and audio visual production, called "Playback." For more information, call 800-375-1026.

#### Ward-Beck Systems Ltd.

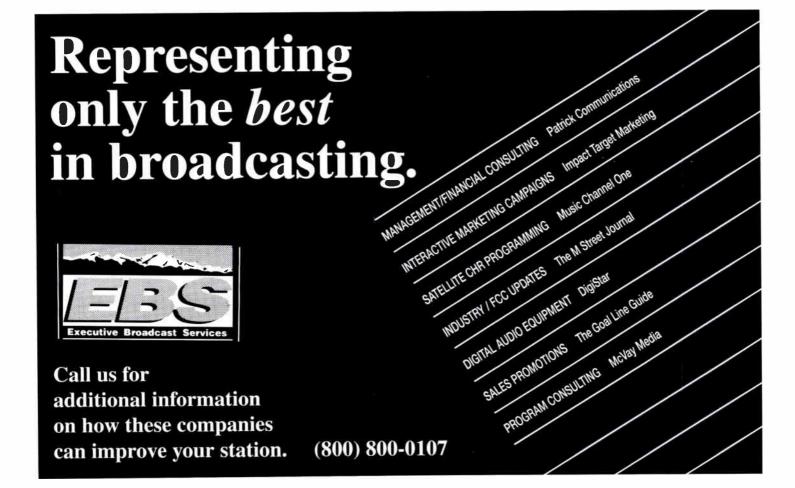
Renaissance Series Radio Consoles are the New Age approach to the design and function of Radio broadcast consoles. The consoles feature illuminated electronic switching and VCAs throughout; digital shaft encoder controlling monitor VCAs; modular with extensive choice of modules; and eight-, 16- and 24-channel mainframes. The M405P Portable Extended Range Meter is back in production. For more information, call in Ontario, Canada, at 416-438-6550.

#### Wheatstone Corp.

Wheatstone's latest introduction is the A-6000 On-Air Console with125 module feature combinations. The A-6000 includes four mix-minus buses, individual channel on-air indicators, four stereo master buses and some options such as auxiliary sends, Wheatstone's Bus-Minus<sup>TM</sup> system, and production equalizers. The A-6000 allows placing modules in any location in the frame. For more information, call 315-452-5000.



Wheatstone's A-6000 On-Air Console





New Each

Below are nine different Radio Spot copy ideas which have been used on the air successfully in various markets. Just copy this page, cut out the cards, put them in a filing box and use them as a reference for tried-and-true copy ideas. Send your great Radio spot copy by fax to 407-995-8498, or mail to: Radio Ink, Attn.: Copy Clips, 8000 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton, FL 33487. Please remember to include the copy category, client's name, your name, title, station and whether the spot is :30 or :60.

#### RESTAURANT

:60 Hoss's Steak & Sea House

Anncr: We're here in the barnyard of Farmer Jones, to do a story on Hoss's Steak and Sea House, Just look at these healthy cattle. They are fed only the finest grains and ... W1: (interrupting) Moooove over Mr. Anncr.! Anncr: Oh my goodness! Is that cow talking? W1: Mmmmmust be so! Anncr: As I was saying, the best reason for going to Hoss's Steak and Sea House is the ... W1: Mmmmm the salad bar! with over 100 fresh items. Anncr: But I thought we would talk about the ... W1: MMMMseafood, sweet succulent, the ocean's bounty. Anncr: No, no, no! We're here with you cattle to talk about the thick, juicy, hand-carved ... W1: Desserts! The perfect end to a satisfying meal at Hoss's. Anncr: Look, we came here to do a story on ... W1: Mmmm look why don't you go over and bother the chickens. Cows: (ganging up) Yeah, go bother someone else. Anncr: It looks like the best reason to go to Hoss's (gulp) Steak and Sea House will remain a secret! Hoss's in Hummelstown, Mechanicsburg, Carlisle, York and Lancaster

Stephanie Peddrick & The River Crew, WRVV-FM/WHP-AM Harrisburg, PA

#### RADIO

#### CAR DEALER

:60 GEORGE COLEMAN FORD

Barney Fife (thinking): Wow, the mountains really look nice up here in Traveler's Rest. George Coleman should be right up here ... (sfx: car zooms by) Fife (aloud): Watch it, buddy! Fife (thinking): There it is Hey, it only took about 10 minutes from Greenville. Oh, no! Here comes one of those sleazy salespeople! Salesman: Can I help you, or are you just looking? Fife (thinking): Hey, no high pressure! Fife (aloud): Well, I really like this Ford Station Wagon . Fife (thinking): But, it probably costs an arm and a leg! Salesman: This Escort Station Wagon is just \$9,999 after Ford factory rebate. It comes with AM/ FM cassette, air-conditioning, and power steering. Fife (thinking): This car is loaded!! Fife (aloud): Well, I'd like to go for a test drive. Salesman: Sure! And you know, with every test drive, you get five free quarts of Motorcraft Oil and a filter. Fife (thinking): This is like car-buying heaven! Fife (aloud): Yeah, I think I heard something about that. Anncr: George Coleman Ford, just up the road in Traveler's Rest.

Richard Breen, WROQ-FM Greenville, SC

#### PET STORE

:60 Pugh's Petcetera

Anncr: There's something "fishy" going on at Pugh's Petcetera ... (sfx: aquarium, bubbles) 1: Hey, watch where you're going! 2: Quit following me! 3: Hey, watch where you're putting your fins, Moby! 1: Ah, here comes the food!! 2: Me first, me first!! 3: No, mel ... Mmm, this stuff is good. They really know how to take care of us fish here at Pugh's Petcetera! 1: They sure do! Wouldn't it be nice to have a home, though? 2: Yeah, it would. 3: Hey, here comes Mr. Pugh. Look, he has the big net and there's a nice family with him! We got a home, we got a home!!! (Music under) Anncr: Pugh's Petcetera is full of fish! That's right, they have a unique selection of beautiful, healthy saltwater and freshwater fish . marine and tropical fish ... and all the aquarium and tank accessories you'll need. Think about it ... wouldn't a new aquarium look great in your home or office! And fish make the perfect pets! Swim on by Pugh's Petcetera today, with locations in Hagerstown, Waynesboro, and Chambersburg. Pugh's Petcetera ... the store with a heart. Jeff Wine, WIKZ/WCHA Chambersburg, PA

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#### **MEN'S CLOTHING & SHOE** STORE

:60 PANACHE COUNTRY

(:05 Last of Do You Hear The People Sing) Anncr: Today is Bastille Day ... France's Independence Day. Panache ... is French for style ... and Panache is the men's store in the Camp Hill Mall. What is the connection? Panache is flying the white sale flag. They've surrendered the entire store to you at "cutthroat prices!" Linen blazers and silk sport coats regularly up to \$250, now all \$89.99! Linen, cotton and tropical wool slacks regularly \$145, now all \$49.99! Handmade Italian shoes and sandals all 50 to 75 percent off. Dress shirts regularly \$98, now all \$39.99. Italian silk ties now all \$29.99! Ralph Lauren boxer shorts \$9.99 ... The event of the summer starts today at 6 p.m. Panache men's store — where the hottest thing in central PA isn't the weather ... it's the revolutionary sale prices at Panache. So don't be les miserable declare your independence — starting the dawn of a new era at Panache in the Camp Hill Mall. Stephanie Peddrick & The River Crew,

WRVV-FM/WHP-AM Harrisburg, PA

#### PORTRAIT STUDIO :60 DAYSTAR STUDIO

(sfx: phone) (2 girls) Vc. 1: Hello. Vc. 2: Omigash, she's back ... she's home from college. Vc. 1: Who? Vc. 2: Penelope Parker. Vc. 1: Oh no! ... Miss Prom Queen herself ... Vc. 2: Don't forget Science Club president ... Vc. 1: Cheerleading captain ... Vc. 2: Then ... that day ... Vc. 1: It was just horrible. Vc. 1: It was the day we got yearbooks. Vc. 2: The first part was the senior section. Vc. 1: And then, it happened. Vc. 2: Someone from Miss Bower's class was the first to see it. Vc. 1: You could hear the scream the whole way down to the gym. And before you knew it, the whole entire school was in a total uproar! Vc. 2: All because of Penelope Parker's senior picture. Vc. 1: It was awful. Vc. 2: Indescribable. Vc. 1: She was the only senior not to get her portrait done from Daystar Studio. Vc. 2: Everyone knows Daystar makes your senior portrait special. They even provide make-overs and hair touch-ups. Vc. 1: And Daystar lets you express yourself the way you want to! Anner: Nobody puts it all together like Daystar Studio, 12 E. King St., Shippensburg ... Go ahead ... your senior year could depend on it! Jeff Wine, WIKZ/WCHA Chambersburg, PA

#### REALTOR

:30 ANN LAWYER, COLDWELL BANKER ANDERSON BENDER REALTY

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Rosemary Roelf, KCJJ-AM Iowa City, IA

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#### DRY CLEANERS

:60 RIVER CITY CLEANERS

Great Moments in Dry Cleaning History - sponsored by River City Cleaners — Today's guest, Lady Godiva. Anncr: Good day. Today I'm speaking with Lady Godiva, and Ms. Godiva, I must say you're looking pretty darn good. Lady G.: Thank you, but I look even better in my clothes. Anner: I don't mean to pry but ... where are your clothes? Lady G.: That's a good question. I told my husband to take them to a dry cleaner and he took them to one of those chains! Anncr: Oh, no! Lady G.: Oh, yes, and I don't know if I'll ever see them again! Anner: He should have taken them to River City Cleaners. They are the best! Lady G.: Ah choo! I'm getting cold! River City - They'll make you look like a million Cleaners

Tom Suter, KCII-AM Iowa City, IA

#### NIGHTCLUB

:30 North Hill Inn/Silver Buckle

Anncr: Remember that timeless TV classic ... Fantasy Island? (sfx: propeller plane roars overhead) Tattoo: Da plane! Da plane! Ricardo: Welcome to Fantasy Island, the home of rich Corinthian leather. Anner: Fantasy Island's long gone, but here comes Florida Fantasy Nights! A fantastic team of male exotic dancers, putting on their best for the girls. Show starts tonight at 9 — be there early best seats go fast. No cover charge, Florida Fantasy nights, tonight at the world famous Silver Buckle in the North Hill Inn. Live the fantasy

Morris Brese, CKGY-AM/CIZ-FM Red Deer, Alberta, CN

#### **FURNITURE**

:60 AL'S FURNITURE WAREHOUSE

Imagine this: You're trying to buy a piece of furniture for that someone special this Christmas and every piece you look at seems to have the same shadow on it. You realize it's from the salesperson who has been following you since you walked through the door. This will not happen at Al's Furniture Warehouse in North Clarendon, they want you to come in and browse for that special holiday purchase. Al's Furniture Warehouse has some great specials this season. For example, gun cabinets starting at \$199. Sofa with chair set starting at only \$575. And here's a great deal: a Canadian gliding rocker from \$129 to \$275. And that's not all — they have a whole warehouse full of fabulous deals just waiting for you. Al's Furniture Warehouse has free delivery within 100 miles and Christmas layaway. Need that special gift delivered no earlier than Christmas Eve? Not a problem. So come in and browse without sales pressure at Al's Furniture Warehouse, Rte. 2-B, N. Clarendon. Open daily 10-6, Sunday, noon-5.

Debbie Beliveau, WSYB-AM Rutland, VT

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•Terry Jacobs has moved his newly formed Regent Communications Inc. to Covington, KY. The address is 50 East River Center Blvd., 41011. The new phone: 606-292-0330. Fax is 606-292-0352.



PBS' "Red Green" stopped by the studios of WFMS Indianapolis to promote his show, which runs on PBS affiliate WFYI. Shown (I to r): Co-host Jim Denny, News Director Kevin Freeman, "Red Green," and Co-host/Operations Manager Charlie Morgan.



The airwaves may never be the same again following a week of Alice Cooper on the air hosting "Alice's Attic" on ABC/SMN's Z-Rock format. Cooper is seen here with guest and rock media entrepreneur Lonn Friend.

•Doctor Ruth step aside, GMN Networks is hitting the air with MTV's Norman Korpi, who will be host of the first of several nationally syndicated programs to be offered by the network.

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WBLI-FM Medford NY's Len Rothberg has been named the Red Cross 1994 Humanitarian of the Year in Suffolk County. Celebrating with Rothberg is Gary Tee, GM of WGBB-AM; Samantha Baltzer, VP/Sales WBLI-FM; attorney Howard Blau; Rothberg; David Feinblatt, GM of WRCN-FM/WRHD-AM; Bill Terry, PD of WBLI-FM; and Paul Fleishman GM of WMJC-FM/WGSM-AM.

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May 10-NAB License Renewal Seminar, Charlottesville, VA. 202-775-3511

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May 20-22-RAB Certified Radio Sales Manager program, Denver, CO. 800-RAB-SELL

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June 2-4-American Women in Radio and Television 43rd National Convention, Minneapolis, MN. 703-506-3290

June 8-11-PROMAX International and Broadcast Designers Association Conference and Exposition, New Orleans. 213-465-3777

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June 16-18- Missouri Broadcasters Association Annual Convention, Branson, MO. 314-636-6692

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July 7-10-Annual Upper Midwest Communications Conclave, Minneapolis, MN. 612-927-4487

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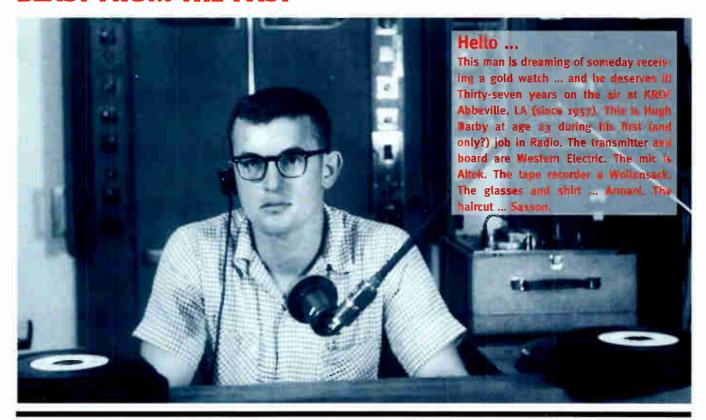


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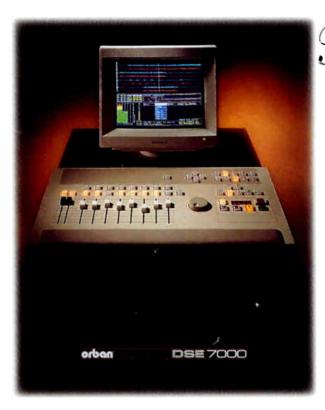


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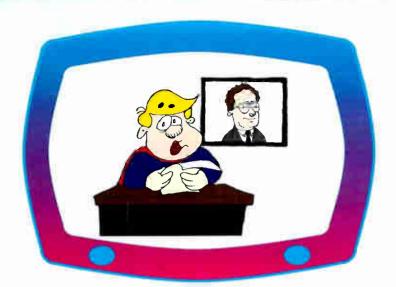
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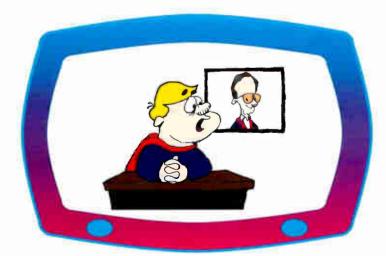
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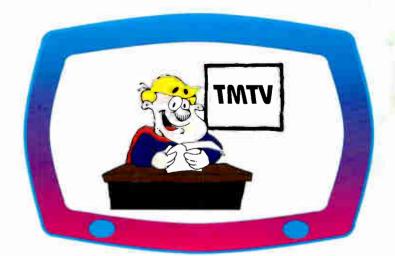
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