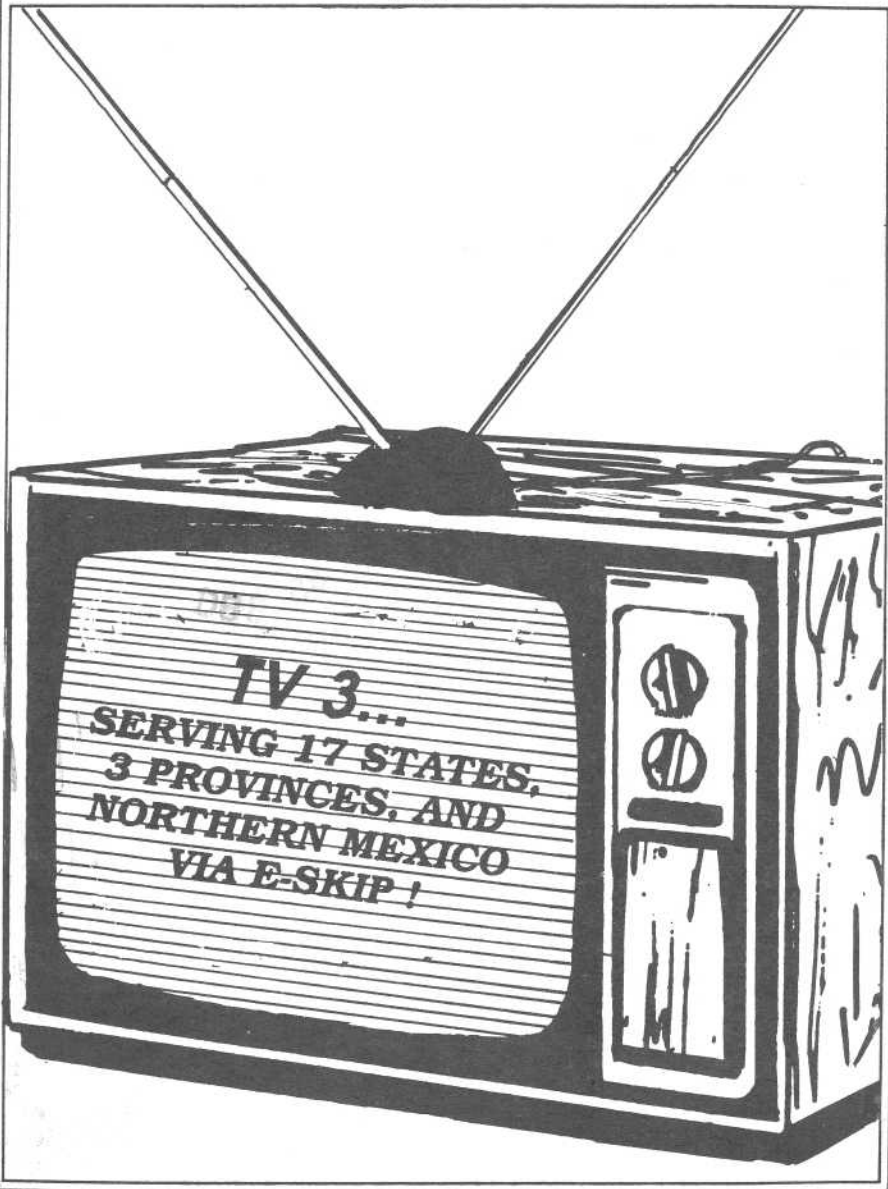


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## FROM THE STAFF:

**NO BIDS YET FOR OUR 1997 CONVENTION!** As of mid-May, there has been no response to the request for hosts for the 1997 WTFDA convention. In the event that no bids are received by the June 10 deadline, other means of securing a host will be implemented (read that as 'arm twisting')...however...it's preferable to have willing volunteers. Contact Convention Coordinator Tom Bryant for more information. Send e-mail to 102037.456@compuserve.com or call (615) 646-2000 any evening after 9 (CDT) to toss your hat in the ring or get more information.

To conserve space, the rest of this month's news will not include the usual the usual topic titles and paragraph breaks. Club activity has been typically quiet prior to the onset of E-skip activity. For those who will be attending our '96 convention in Estes Park, host Jim Thomas has come up with still another interesting twist...a **TEAM DX COMPETITION**. There will be contests (and prizes) for both FM and TV dxers, and you're welcome to start lining up your team(s) now for the two hour competition. If you haven't already made your reservations you need to contact the Dripping Springs Bed and Breakfast for accommodations...and be sure to register with Jim. Details elsewhere in this issue. By the time you read this, the **WTFDA web site** will have been accessed over 1,000 times. David Austin has supplied information about the site to all the major 'search engines'...making us easier for those in search of DX information to locate. The transition to the **new club mailing address** continues to go smoothly. Just in case you aren't aware, the P.O. Box in Buffalo is being phased out, and all new subscriptions, renewals, and general correspondence should be sent to the Asheville, NC address on the back cover. Print-ready columns are to be mailed directly to Bill Thompson. Kudos and thanks to long-time member **Dave Nieman** of Akron, NY for his excellent work in updating our new member information sheet. He has also volunteered to mail sample copies to prospective members. Not many of our members have filled as many positions in the club as Dave has over the years...VUD editor, board member, Photo News editor, and lots more. His generosity, loyalty and enthusiasm are appreciated; along with his willingness to pitch in and get things done. Finally, a reminder to let everyone know what you're hearing and seeing. Be sure to **report your dx catches** to the column editor for your area. Not sure where to mail it? Send it to the Asheville address for forwarding. Got **pictures of your TV DX treasures**? Share your good fortune by sending them to our newlywed TV Photo News editor Jeff Kruszka. Congrats and best wishes to Jeff and his new bride! If you have comments of general interest to WTFDA members, your sounding board is the **WTFDA MAILBOX** edited by Matt Sittel.

# WTFDA Mailbox

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## June, 1996 Renewal\$ Due:

Frank Aden, Jr., David Austin, Charles R. Bernth, Roger Bortree, Dave Bright, Mark Campbell, William Eckberg, Lee J. Freshwater, William Hein, Jeff Kruszka, Michael W. Lapinski, Mike Laroque, Alfred Laun, Mike Lazaro, Robert Legath, Jeff Lockwood, John Marx, Don Meno, Michael O'Connell, Debra Oliver, Jim Paige, James Richardson, Edward Ritchie, Jr., Rocky S. Robello, Steven Russell, Robert Sangineto, Robert F. Sutherland, Al Tobia, Tim Watkins, Stan Weisbeck, Leslie Wood.

## New on the 'Net / E-mail changes :

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Tim McVey, Hanover, PA change to: tkmcvey@Netrax.Net

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As a club member, I'd like to make a few comments. The first is that I hope more members will contribute reports, no matter how big or small. I would also like to say that more articles such as Neil Kazaross' Dish Modification will be vastly appreciated. Propagation articles, I'm sure, are of much interest also. I'm also curious as to why more members aren't putting more effort into TV meteor scatter? I have logged 21 new high band and over 60 total MS stations, mostly since November. This includes two channel 13's. Simply tape 6 hours a night on an open channel and review it fast forward. Believe it or not, your eyes can detect the slightest ping or burst. It's an interesting way to log stations you might not get any other way. Be sure your VCR has a good freeze frame. I find TV meteor scatter DXing much easier than FM. So with so many successful FM meteor scatter DXers, I don't understand why there hasn't been more TV meteor scatter catches. I have also logged "local" channel 2's via MS backscatter which is interesting also. Have fun!

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The St. Louis DX Get-Together has been over for a week now as I write this, and of the three I've hosted, the 1996 edition was by far the least successful, owing to scheduling conflicts, mix-ups and DXers having other commitments. This was the shortest of the three, lasting only one day (April 19). Next year's St. Louis DX Get-Together may be moved up to early March, before the winter SWL festival in Kulpville, PA. Dates to be announced soon. I started the day by doing some FM DXing, and wound up with some excellent catches from Indiana, Illinois and even one from Cincinnati. I only had two DXers with me when I went on a tour of WRTH-1430/WIL-92.3/KIHT-96.3, the three stations in St. Louis owned by Heritage Media, based in Dallas. I got to see many of the changes that have taken place in the broadcast industry in recent years. Most commercials at the three stations are now on a computer hard disk, and the broadcast cartridge machines are rarely used anymore. News copy is also now delivered on a computer, with the news anchor editing the story where needed, and printing it out on paper, in contrast to the old teletype machines used in the 1960s and 1970s. WIL has been running country on FM since 1970, while KIHT-96.3 has been running the Arrow format (rock and roll oldies, minus disco and soul, from the late '60s through mid-'80s) since 1994. WIL was also on 1430 kHz until January of 1991. WRTH-1430's satellite-delivered Adult Standards format (they use Westwood One's AM Only service) is also computer-automated, eliminating the need for board operators at the station. The only time WRTH runs live programming is in morning drive, and the

DXers got to meet the morning drive personality, Ron Elz (a.k.a. Johnny Rabbitt). Our tour guide was the program director for WRTH/WIL, Ray Massey. (Note that WRTH-1430 is in no way connected to the World Radio-TV Handbook.)

KXOK-97.1 was the next stop, and that was in the afternoon. This station is owned by Legend Broadcasting, based in New York. The station runs an adult-oriented soul format, augmented by Tom Joyner's morning show. One of the new office folks, a fellow named Floyd, gave the DXers a quick tour. The Chief Engineer there is former KXOK-630 personality Ralph Anthony, and the DXers got to meet him, too. We also got to meet the on-air DJ, who was in the middle of a phone call to a female listener. This station still uses broadcast cartridge machines for its commercials, unlike WRTH/WIL/KIHT. The calls are now on FM only, since the AM side (630 kHz) was sold to Crawford Broadcasting Company and became ultra-right wing talker KJSL. After dinner, I was able to administer a DX Quiz to the two DXers present. Although a SW quiz was prepared, only the AM/FM/TV Quiz was administered. In the evening, more FM DXing was done, and Illinois stations were pulled in. I also showed off my QSL collection.

Attendees were myself, and WTFDA members John Tudenham (W0JRP), who brought XYL Betty with him, and Walt Breville (a former NASWAN), along with guest ham Bud Stotler (N10F). Attendance was down 50% from 1995's numbers. Next year's St. Louis DX Get-Together may be held close to the Winter SWL Festival...more details as they become available. 73, Eric-N0UIH.

**Other notes:** From the files of 'Whatever happened to...!', I received an e-mail from former WTFDA'er **Gerald Pulice**, host of a WTFDA convention in the early 80s. If you'd like to drop him a line, he can be reached at this address: gfp@cni-samsung.com.

I've also heard from a potential new member in Newfoundland. His name is **Jerry McGrath** and he is actively collecting TV Guides and local newspaper television magazines. If you'd like to trade with Jerry, he has access to a Newfoundland TV magazine, and occasionally the Maritimes TV Guide, a must for any collector! You can reach Jerry at: jerry@math.mun.ca, or write him at: Jerry McGrath, 1178 Torbay Rd., Torbay NF A1K 1A4 Canada. Please contact Jerry first before mailing any TV magazines so you can work the details of what 'Maritime goodness' he will send you! I've already sent my local TV Guide, how about you??

I also received a nice postcard from one of our newest members, **Don Voegelé**, of Crownpoint NM. Don would like to find a 'superb DX type AM-FM cassette tape car stereo', and says he has 'a Pioneer Supertuner I to upgrade from'. Don's location on the eastern part of the Navajo reservation (fetch your atlas!) has no locals or translators on VHF-TV or FM. Imagine that! Don was an AIPA member back when he lived in Lancaster, New York, near Buffalo. Don hopes to attend the Estes Park convention this August, and would like to hear from other shortwave or western US DXers. You can drop Don a line at: Don Voegelé, PO Box 7, Crownpoint NM 87313, (505) 786-5683. Welcome to WTFDA, Don, and we hope to see your reports from what sounds like a DXers paradise!

FYI...the current membership count is at 295, down quite a bit from last summer. Bill Thompson attributes this to a cyclical pattern seen during the year when the cold winter months occur and DXers have to find other hobbies! I'll inform you of our membership count regularly. Do you know a potential WTFDA member? If you do, send along his/her address, and we'll make sure they receive some more information about WTFDA. Don't forget to pay your membership dues on time to avoid delays in receiving the VUD!

Thanks to everyone who contributed this month... here's hoping for a great '96 skip season!...73's Matt.

# PHOTO-NEWS

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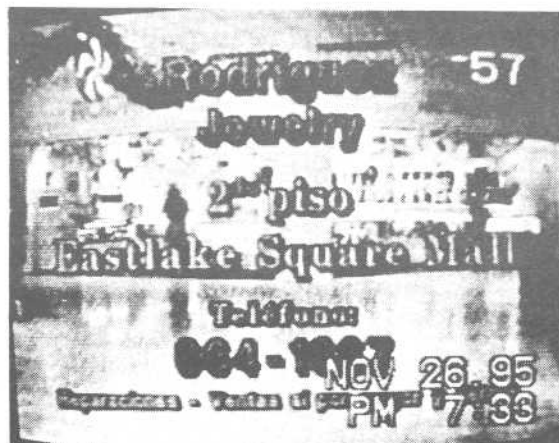
You've had your doubts that it was possible - but now you can believe it - 1500 mi+ Gulf tropo!! Yes, we have the photos to prove it. This month we feature fantastic tropo from Fernando Garcia in Monterrey, Mexico. I started using Dave Nieman's old photo engraver for this month's column, so the quality should improve. The print shop I was using here in Baton Rouge just wasn't cutting it. I just returned from my honeymoon to the S. Caribbean. My wife and I visited Puerto Rico, St. Thomas, St. Maarten, Dominica, Barbados, and Martinique. Not much to see on TV, although I'll have a couple of photos for a future column.

Fernando Garcia, Monterrey, NL, Mexico:

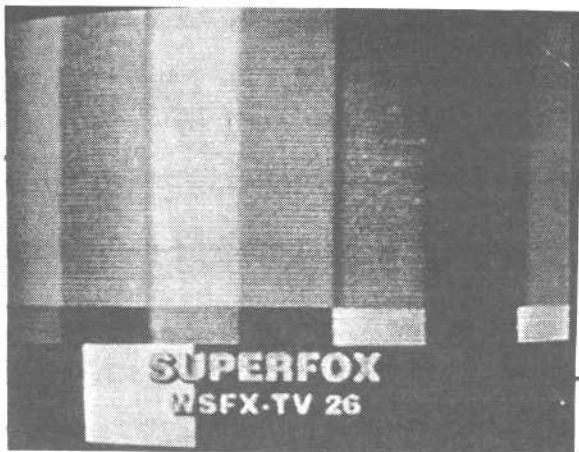
Equipment: Sony 27EXR15 TV, screened CM 7' dish @85' w/RG-11 and UA-900 preamp. Sony KV-13TR27 TV, CM 1110 @30' w/RG-6. Archer V-110, CM 8-bay UHF array at 50'.



W35AJ-35 St. Petersburg, FL  
1115 mi Tr seen 11/26/95  
@1200 CST

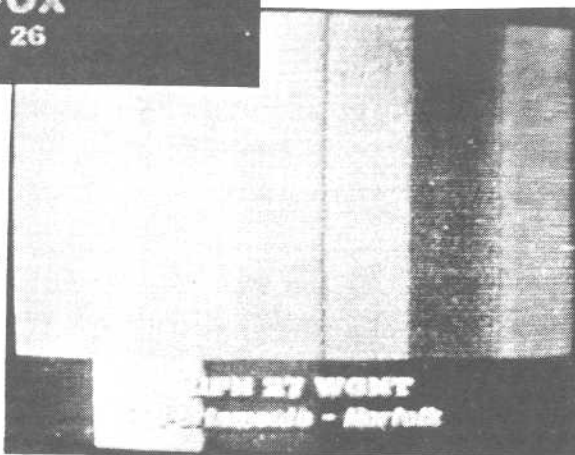


W57BA-57 Tampa, FL  
1116 mi Tr seen 11/26/95  
@1930 CST



WSFX-26 Wilmington, NC  
1430 mi Tr seen 11/27/95  
@0215 CST

WGNT-27 Portsmouth, VA  
1594 mi Tr seen 11/27/95  
@0330 CST



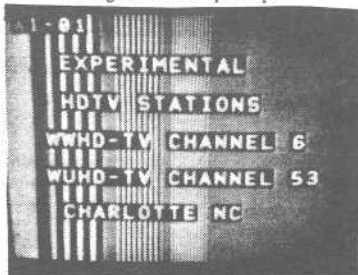
More from Fernando next month.

Now a meteor scatter photo from Russ Miller, Houlton, ME (keep 'em coming!):  
Equipment: 12" Alaron TV, VHF modified RS antenna w/ CM 18 db preamp. Modified RSCR Winegard 28 db UHF pream w/RG-6, 60' AGL.



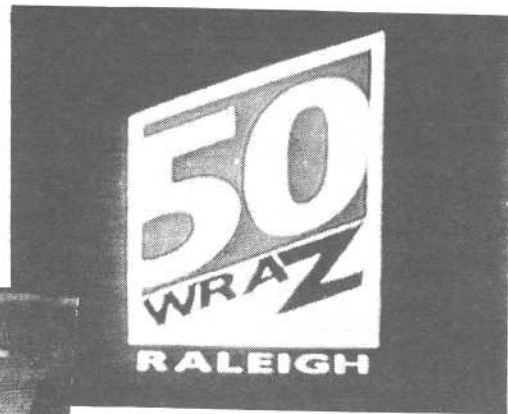
WBAY-2 Green Bay, WI  
940 mi Ms seen 1/27/96  
@0657 EST

And an interesting photo from Eric Voytko, McLean, VA:  
Equipment: Sony KV-8 TV, CM 6' screened dish with Winegard PA-4975 preamp.



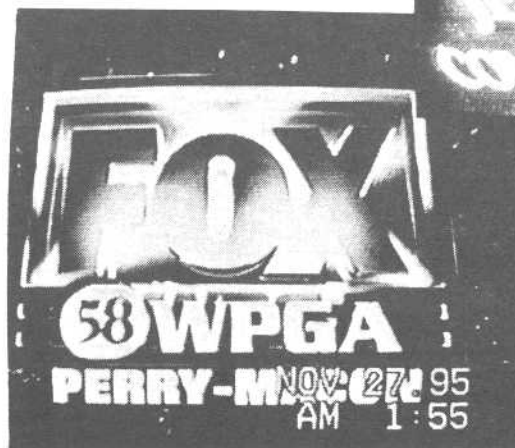
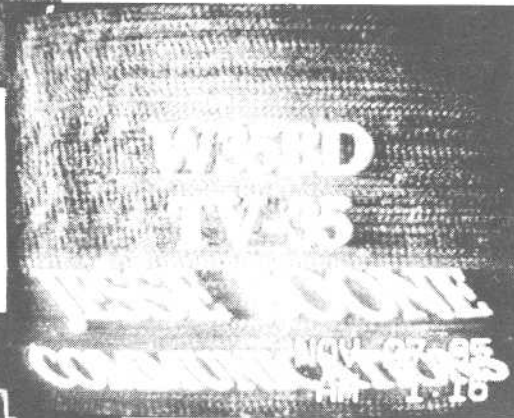
WUHD-53 Charlotte, NC  
320 mi Tr seen 9/4/95  
@0800 EDT

WRAZ-50 Raleigh, NC  
1457 mi Tr seen 11/27/95  
@0030 CST



WFAY-62 Fayetteville, NC  
1409 mi Tr seen 11/27/95  
@0100 CST

W35BD-35 Albany, GA  
1060 mi Tr seen 11/27/95  
@0115 CST



WPGA-58 Perry, GA  
1100 mi Tr seen 11/27/95  
@0155 CST

# TV News

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Abbreviations used in this column:

ERP= Effective Radiated Power in kW

HAAT=Height Above Avg. Terrain

nc= no change

TL= Tower Location

CP= Construction Permit

Pr= Province (of Canada)

\*= Non-commercial

CRTC=Canadian Radio-Television Commission

DBS= Direct Broadcast Sat.

SS:= Spanish language

LPR=Low Power Relay Transmitter (Canada)

TBD= To Be Determined

## APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

St	Ch	ERP	HAAT	City
AR	34+	63.1	180	Eureka Springs (36°17'30"N 93°45'41"W, 13mi. SW of Berryville)
AR	34+	5000	397	Eureka Springs (36°17'39"N 93°48'21"W)
AR	46z	5000	379	Gosnell (35°28'03"N 90°11'27"W, 30km NNW of Memphis)
AZ	3z	100	5	Douglas (31°22'38"N 109°31'20"W, N. of US-40 & 2.8km NE of Leslie Canyon)
AZ	3z	39.8	-6	Douglas (31°22'08"N 109°31'45"W, S. US-80, 2.1km N of Geronimo Trail. Applicant is ValueVision Intl.)
AZ	3z	100	2	Douglas (31°22'40"N 109°31'19"W, 200m NW of US-80)
AZ	3z	2	-16	Douglas (31°21'18"N 109°33'06"W, KDAP-96.5 tower, 2770 North G Ave.)
AZ	11+	158	54	Holbrook (34°55'05"N 110°08'25"W, 250m E of I-40 & 2km S of airport)
AZ	58z	2140	81	Sierra Vista (31°33'59"N 110°13'57"W, KKYZ-101.7 tower)
FL	64+	5000	99	Destin (30°23'17"N 86°17'55"W, WWAU-102.1 tower 1.4km N of US-98 near 4 Mile Village)
FL	64+	1000	124	Destin (30°30'53"N 86°13'12"W, WMXZ-103.3 tower near Portland. Applicant is ValueVision Intl.)

## APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS (contd.)

St	Ch	ERP	HAAT	City
FL	64+	3090	159	Destin (30°46'01"N 86°35'07"W)
FL	51z	1000	316	Marianna (30°30'41"N 85°29'24"W, FM tower used by WPAP-92.5, WTBB-97.7, and WFSY-98.5)
IA	69z	1410	354	Des Moines (41°45'34"N 93°08'32"W, 6.8km S of Baxter. See Newton applications.)
IA	69z	2000	101	Des Moines (41°38'05"N 93°34'46"W, 4039 Delaware Ave. Applicant is ValueVision International.)
IA	69z	5000	151	Des Moines (41°38'05"N 93°34'46"W)
IA	69z	4900	618	Des Moines (41°48'45"N 93°38'59"W)
IA	39+	5000	322	Newton (41°31'05"N 93°14'45"W)
IA	39-	1510	160	Newton (41°49'05"N 93°12'22"W. Offset probably a typo, s/b 39+)
IA	39+	5000	311	Newton (41°45'24"N 93°08'04"W, 7km S of Baxter)
IA	39+	550	355	Newton (41°45'34"N 93°08'32"W, same as first Des Moines application.)
IA	39+	52.5	78	Newton (41°41'51"N 93°07'00"W, 6208 Geneva Ave. Applicant owns several TBN LPTVs.)
IA	39+	1780	255	Newton (41°45'31"N 93°16'07"W, S. of SR-117 & 1.2km SE of Mingo)
IA	39+	3090	186	Newton (41°48'30"N 93°17'13"W, 4.5km N of Mingo. Applicant owns KDAO-1190 in nearby Marshalltown.)
IA	22-	5000	301	Waterloo (42°24'35"N 92°05'10"W, the KOKZ-105.7 tower between Waterloo and Cedar Rapids)
ID	31-	1000	335	Pocatello (42°51'57"N 112°30'46"W, 3.78km WSW of Pocatello on KZBQ/KMGI/K285CO (FM) tower)
ID	5-	1.66	-149	Sun Valley (43°40'59"N 114°20'52"W, Dollar Mtn., KWRV-91.9 site)
ID	5-	2	-155	Sun Valley (same site as above)
ID	5-	50.1	285	Sun Valley (43°39'59"N 114°16'37"W, 800m N of Old Triumph Mine, Blaine Co.)
ID	5-	100	252	Sun Valley (same site as above)
ID	5-	3.98	256	Sun Valley (same site as above)
ID	5-	100	536	Sun Valley (43°16'50"N 114°09'14"W)
KS	*15+	38	63	Wichita (37°41'12"N 97°20'26"W; applicant is President's College)

## APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS (contd.)

St	Ch	ERP	HAAT	City
LA	21+	724	84	Minden (32°36'59"N 93°20'51"W, 4.8km W of Minden)
LA	21+	427	72	Minden (32°37'50"N 93°16'56"W, KASO-95.3's tower on Lakeshore-Turner Road)
LA	21+	5000	127	Minden (32°36'58"N 93°20'42"W, 4100' from parish road #10 & SR-7, Webster Parish)
LA	21+	1910	127	Minden (same site as above. Applicant Word of Life built, and later sold, KWLK-45, now KSHV-45.)
LA	21+	5000	294	Minden (32°45'06"N 93°19'18"W, 16km NNW of Minden in Webster Parish)
LA	21+	3020	111	Minden (32°44'39"N 93°22'53"W, KZXB-106.7's tower 8.2km S of Cotton Valley)
MI	19z	1350	246	Marquette (46°20'11"N 87°50'55"W, WLUC-6's tower near Republic)
MI	19z	5000	197	Marquette (46°30'52"N 87°28'37"W, WFXD-103.3/WUPK-94.1 tower 3km S of US-41)
MI	19z	3020	295	Marquette (46°22'06"N 87°48'41"W, 13.7km SE of Republic near Tanglefoot Lake)
MI	19z	1000	164	Marquette (46°30'45"N 87°29'07"W, Morgan Meadows 2.7km E of Eagle Mills)
MS	44z	5000	237	Greenville (33°39'26"N 90°42'18"W, the WXVT-15 tower 8km SSE of Cleveland)
MT	24z	3020	587	Butte (46°00'27"N 112°26'30"W, the KXLF-4/KTVM-6 site on XL Heights about 5km SE of Butte)
MT	24z	331	580	Butte (same site as above)
MT	24z	355	592	Butte (same site as above)
MT	26z	331	284	Great Falls (47°36'26"N 111°21'27"W, KTGF-16 tower 3.5mi. W of Bootlegger Trail)
MT	26z	1000	170	Great Falls (47°32'23"N 111°17'06"W, 1215 36th Ave. NW, used by 3 FMs and 11 LPTVs)
MT	17-	316	602	Missoula (47°01'10"N 114°00'46"W, KTMF-23 tower on TV Mtn. 17km N of Missoula)
MT	17-	288	621	Missoula (47°01'07"N 114°00'47"W, TV Mtn.)
MT	17-	105	678	Missoula (46°48'09"N 113°58'21"W, KUFM-11 tower also on TV Mountain)
NC	38z	5000	154	Greenville (35°23'52"N 77°25'40"W, 1.5km SE of SR-11. Offset should be 38+.)

## APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS (contd.)

St	Ch	ERP	HAAT	City
NC	38+	724	104	Greenville (35°27'32"N 77°18'37"W, 2.4km ESE of junction of SR-102 and SR-1746)
NC	38+	5000	274	Greenville (35°12'07"N 77°11'15"W)
NC	38+	1550	154	Greenville (35°23'57"N 77°25'17"W, SE of SR-1110 & SR-1900, Hanrahan)
NM	6z	100	406	Silver City (32°51'46"N 108°14'26"W, Pinos Altos Mountain)
NY	62-	10	266	Arcade (42°27'41"N 78°18'26"W, 6000' south of Buffalo Rd., Freedom)
NY	62-	4570	262	Arcade (42°03'04"N 78°25'11"W, W22AZ/W25AK (Olean) tower)
NY	62-	151	204	Arcade (42°42'57"N 78°30'36"W, Warner Hill & Marlou Rds., Wales, Erie County)
NY	62-	5000	270	Arcade (42°18'23"N 78°12'17"W, Cloverleaf Rd. near CR-305, New Hudson.)
NY	62-	5000	475	Arcade (42°24'48"N 78°12'17"W, near Pine Woods & Vandusen Roads)
NY	62-	5000	562	Arcade (42°26'42"N 78°16'05"W)
NY	62-	20	229	Arcade (42°26'45"N 78°30'05"W, County Line Road, Delevan. Some ownership crossover with WYDC-48 Corning.)
NY	62-	1290	164	Arcade (42°28'52"N 78°34'03"W. Applicant owns WKBW-7 Buffalo.)
NY	56+	5000	379	Syracuse (43°18'18"N 76°03'00"W)
NY	*59z	10	250	Utica (43°08'38"N 75°10'40"W, Smith Hill & Grace Roads. See "Other Stuff".)
ON	58z	180	250	Kingston (44°34'41"N 76°13'51"W)
ON	67z	702	292	"Muskoka" (44°49'15"N 79°35'45"W; see Other Stuff)
ON	32	5	116	North Bay (46°18'10"N 79°24'40"W, CBC-FM tower)
ON	35-	210	284	Peterborough (44°07'15"N 78°08'18"W, CBC-FM tower)
ON	41+	19.2	172	Sudbury (46°25'29"N 81°00'54"W, CBC-FM tower)
ON	7z	12.5	190	Thunder Bay (48°33'02"N 89°13'25"W, CBC-FM tower)
ON	11-	3.3	142	Timmins (48°28'12"N 81°17'50"W, CBC-FM tower)
OR	16z	60.3	773	La Grande (45°18'35"N 117°43'57"W, KTVR-13's tower on Mt. Fanny)



## CALL LETTER CHANGES(contd.)

Was	Now	City, state
K13VS	WCMN-LP	St. Cloud, MN
W35AR	WARZ-LP	Smithfield, NC
W13BG	WYCN-LP	Nashua, NH
K25DB	KGNG-LP	Las Vegas, NV
W48AP	WNGT-LP	Toledo, OH
K43EF	KELF-LP	Grove, OK
K24DQ	KOMI-LP	Woodward, OK
W35AT	WYLN-LP	Hazleton, PA
W2QZ-LP	WREI-LP	Quebradillas, PR
W22AU	WYHY-LP	Sevierville, TN
K16DI	KHPB-LP	Bastrop, TX
K25EK	KHPF-LP	Fredericksburg, TX
K21DK	KHPG-LP	Giddings, TX
K32DA	KHPL-LP	La Grange, TX
K21??	KSVN-LP	Ogden, UT
K45AI	KWWB-LP	Mesquite, UT
K41AG	KVBT-LP	Santa Clara, UT
W05AS	WFIG-LP	Charlotte Amalie, VI

## NETWORK CHANGES

Station	Network
<b>WJSU-40</b> Anniston, AL	<b>ABC</b>
(from CBS, Sept. 1)	
WBCF-3 Florence, AL	Nostalgia
WXFL-5 Florence, AL	Am. Indep.
<b>WCFT-33</b> Tuscaloosa	<b>ABC</b>
(from CBS, Sept. 1)	
K51CE Colo. Springs	KWHD-53
<b>KFOX-4</b> Gd. Junction	<b>Fox</b>
(assumed from call sign)	
<b>KKCO-11</b> Gd. Junction	<b>NBC</b>
(educated guess!)	
W11BJ Hartford	WRDM-LP
WDMR-65 Springfield	WRDM-LP;
also carries Red Sox	baseball
<b>WJAL-28</b> Hagerstown	<b>WB/religious</b>
<b>WMEA-26</b> Biddeford	<b>MPTV+/PBS</b>
W30BF Bangor	MPTV+/PBS
W39BQ Lewiston	MPTV+/PBS
W69DC Asheville	3 Angels
(was WHNS-21)	
W63AU Pittsburgh	home shopping
(was Ch. America)	
<b>WCBD-2</b> Charleston	<b>? (prob. NBC)</b>
(from ABC, in August)	
<b>WCIV-4</b> Charleston	<b>ABC</b>
(from NBC, in August)	
<b>WGSE-43</b> Myrtle Beach	drop relig.?
<b>WVBT-43</b> Virginia Beach	<b>Fox</b>
(from WB, in 1998)	

Stations in **boldface** are full-license stations; others are LPTVs.

## NEW STATIONS ON THE AIR

**Merced, CA: KNSO-51z:**  
4170kW/680m; 37°31'59"/120°01'36"  
near Mariposa, ENE of Merced. Re-  
quested license to cover in early  
May. Co-owned with KCSO-19 Modesto;  
probably Univision.

**Albion, NE: KLKE-24+:**  
2570kW/378m; 41°56'26"/98°16'56"  
NW of Elgin. Requested operating  
license in early May. ABC affili-  
ate, satellite of KLNK-8 Lincoln.

**Lincoln, NE: KLNK-8+:**  
316kW/440m; 40°52'59"/97°18'20"W  
near Utica. This isn't really a  
new station (the original license,  
as KCAN Albion, was issued in  
1964) but I'm listing it here  
because of the massive changes.  
It does, however, remain an ABC  
affiliate.

**W. Milford, NJ: WFME-66z:**  
24kW/217m; 41°07'14"/74°12'03"  
near where I-287 crosses the NJ/NY  
state line. Requested operating  
license in early May. Family  
Stations' other TV, KFTL-64 Stock-  
ton, is a mix of home shopping and  
religion.

## CHANGES ON THE AIR

Ch	Call	Location	Nature
5-	WTTG	Washington	unknown
39z	WQRF	Rockford	pwr incr
49z	WCCL	New Orleans	pwr decr

## OTHER STUFF

The owners of KLNK-8 & KLKE-24  
have requested the allotment of  
channel 20- to Kearney, Nebraska.  
I thought the Kearney area already  
had an ABC affiliate (KHGI-13).  
There were rumors about a year ago  
that KHGI and its satellites KWNB-  
6 and KSNB-4 had gone Fox, but I  
took that to be a secondary affil-  
iation - maybe not?

On the same subject, KLKE has  
displaced a translator. K24AA  
Newport, Nebraska is about 65  
miles northwest of KLKE's tower,  
and has requested a move to chan-  
nel 22.

Another translator has been dis-  
placed in College Station, Texas.  
K28AK relays KWKT-44 Waco; it's  
been bumped to channel 34 by KYLE-  
28 Bryan. This is not the same  
station as the K34CY which appears  
in the Database - K34CY has been  
deleted.

The channel 59 application in  
Utica, New York is to convert  
W59AU to a full-license station.  
W59AU relays WCNY-24 Syracuse, and  
it's WCNY that's applying for the  
new station.

Ironically, the full-license appli-  
cation specifies a lower power than  
the translator it replaces! (10kW,  
vs. 12.2) It also specifies a dif-  
ferent offset; W59AU is +.

Yes, there were 121 new-station ap-  
plications this month. I'm not sure  
what triggered the landslide, though  
I do understand the FCC relaxed the  
HDTV-triggered freeze on new-station  
applications. Three firms were re-  
sponsible for many of the applica-  
tions: ValueVision International,  
Kaleidoscope Foundation (their LPTVs  
air programming for the physically  
challenged, but George Flinn of WFBI-  
50 and WCCL-49 is also involved), and  
a WinStar Broadcasting of Washing-  
ton.

The channel 3+ application in Price,  
Utah won't be granted as listed. The  
HAAT limit is 600 meters; at 652m,  
the station's power would be limited  
to less than 100kW. I would either  
expect the application to be re-  
turned, or amended to specify some-  
thing on the order of 70kW.

Last month's experiment didn't turn  
out very well. I tried preparing the  
column yet another way this month -  
it looked nice, but would have re-  
quired 8 pages. So, it's back to the  
old format for now - maybe I'll try  
again when (if) things slow down...

## FORUM

**Russell Miller, Houlton ME:**

Russ provided the MPTV list. MPTV  
Plus is a second PBS network in that  
state; I understand it's available  
on cable in most communities.

Houlton is on the U.S./Canadian bor-  
der, so New Brunswick is local recep-  
tion for Russ. He's noted the CBC  
stations in New Brunswick are no  
longer inserting "CBC Fredericton"  
in their sync bar. I'm afraid we  
won't have this DX aid in the 1996  
skip season.

Finally, he's added a RDX-902 preamp  
and says: "It's truly scary!"..  
Daily scatter is now 340-380 miles.  
Russ's quiet location with no locals  
certainly helps, but the RDX preamps  
behaved quite nicely under severe  
conditions at the 1993 WTFDA Conven-  
tion too.

**Steve West, Norfolk VA:**  
(I think that's who sent the item  
from the March 11 Virginian-Pilot!)  
By the time you read this, WVBT-43  
should have completed the move to  
their new tower in Driver, VA. The

tower is to be shared with their LMA  
partner, WAVY-10. WVBT's power will  
increase to 5000kW; there will also  
be a substantial increase in antenna  
height. I show no changes for WAVY.

However, over-enthusiastic TV writer  
Larry Bonko seems to feel otherwise.  
His article quotes WAVY's general  
manager, Ed Munson Jr., as saying  
"Some folks who live in what we call  
fringe areas and receive a poor sig-  
nal today will receive WAVY better  
from the new tower and transmitter."  
To which Bonko adds, "That's what 5  
million watts and something called a  
circularly polarized signal will do  
for you." (Bonko's enthusiasm for  
the changes are apparent elsewhere  
in the article, where he writes "In  
about six weeks, WVBT goes FULL  
POWER!" - caps & exclamation point  
his..)

Circular polarization will certainly  
help WAVY. But if the channel 10  
station is really going to 5 million  
watts ERP, it's news to the FCC! The  
normal limit for channel 10 - and  
WAVY's real power on the new tower -  
is 316kW.

Incidentally, the article also men-  
tions WVBT as going Fox in 1998. It  
doesn't say whether they'll lose  
their WB affiliation at the same time  
- I assume so, probably to current  
Fox affiliate WTV2-33.

**Eric Bueneman, St. Louis MO:**

Eric is still seeing a mystery WCEE-  
13 translator on channel 7. It peaks  
from the northeast, so it isn't the  
resurrection of K07TV. There's noth-  
ing in the FCC DB that makes sense,  
and WCEE hasn't yet responded to  
Eric's letter.

**Chris Cuomo, Verona PA:**

Quoting local reports, Chris indi-  
cates WQED-13/WQEX-16 Pittsburgh are  
in serious financial trouble. The  
stations want to sell WQEX to a com-  
mercial broadcaster.

Channel 16 in Pittsburgh is reserved  
for non-commercial use, so such a  
sale is currently not possible. How-  
ever, I wouldn't be too surprised to  
see some religious groups interested  
in buying the station.

Also, Congress has recently proposed  
a plan under which all unused non-  
commercial TV channels would be auc-  
tioned; the money would provide a  
trust fund to support existing sta-  
tions.

Out of room!

73









CANADA

ALBERTA:

Fahler: \*NS 95.7 671w, to be French comm.  
 Nampa: \*NS 102.9 635w, // Fahler 95.7  
 Peace River: \*NS 95.7 13 w., // Fahler 95.7  
 Whitecourt: CFYR 1400 QG to 96.7 w/9 kW

BRITISH COLUMBIA:

Cranbrook: CKKC ??? NW, no other info known!  
 Kelowna: CKBL 99.9 SG "The Bullet" w/ country  
 Nakusp: \*NS 97.7 44w, // CKKC 1390 Nelson  
 Vancouver: \*NS 94.5 38 kW. Formats applied for:  
 CKST-1040 from AM, ethnic, and modern rock  
 Vancouver: \*NS 96.1 40 kW, ethnic stn proposed

MANITOBA:

Winnipeg: CKMM103.1 FC to country "Star 103"

NEW BRUNSWICK:

Moncton: CKUM105.7 QG to 93.5, 250 watts

ONTARIO:

Barrie: CFJB 95.7 PC > 100 kW  
 Dryden: \*NS ? appl for xtr of WMBI Chicago  
 was DENIED at this location  
 Hearst: \*NS 92.9 140w, // CKOY 620 Timmins  
 Simcoe: CHNR 1600 wants 106.7, 3,320 watts  
 Timmins: \*NS 102.3 84w, volunteer, cont. Christian

QUÉBEC:

Ste. Anne des Monts: CJMC 1490 QG to 100.3, 15.15 kW

SASKATCHEWAN:

Regina: CFWF104.9 CC (ex CKIT), SG "The Wolf"

\* John Combs has somewhat of a mystery in the Orlando area. He has noted a very weak 95.9 broadcasting in one part of town, with gospel music, in Spanish. It seems to be associated with one particular church. The radius in which he notes a solid signal on the car radio is only a mile or two. I don't recall seeing anything about a new station, so this may be a "high powered low power station", or yet another in the recent rash of pirates to be heard on the air in the Sunshine State! Slogan heard at the top of the hour, in English, was 95.9 Stereo FM

\* Thanks to all of those who have contributed to this and recent FM NEWS columns - Ken Simon, John Combs, Doug Smith, Jim Thomas, Matt Sittel, Eric Bueneman, Tim Bill Nienajadly, Noonan, Jeff Kitsko, Charles Bernth, Mike Jeziorski, and of course, the folks at M Street!

\* Doug Smith has noted a modification in the format of KQQK 106.5 Galveston, during a recent Gulf Trop opening. They have migrated from 100% Spanish to a "Tejano" bilingual format. For those of you not familiar with this format, the music is mostly traditional Mexican (horns, not guitars), with announcements in both languages, often changing in mid-sentence. Many ads are in English. In fact, Doug notes that the calls are even "bilingual", with the K's read in English, and the Q's in Spanish ("coo")!!



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SATELLITE NEWS

A somewhat smaller column this month after last month's listing of the Audio Sub-carriers. At a later date, I will attempt a listing (general in nature) of SPCP stations.

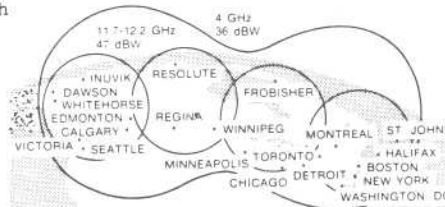
The EchoStar KuBand bird located at 119 West does have some non-video signals coming off. I do not expect to see any analogue video from this bird - ever - it will be strictly a DBS satellite.

My primary concern with this column is to up-date the Canadian Aniks. Great technical problems with E1 have caused massive changes in addition to the migration of many services to Compression Video from Analogue Video. In any situation I will NOT list the Compression Video services since that would be a waste of time at this point since the general satellite user does NOT have available to him the equipment necessary to receive these services.

Anik E1 - 111.1 West  
 C-Band  
 XPDR 8 - Climaxxx VC2  
 XPDR 14 - XXXTreme VC2  
 no other analogue feeds noted as of 4-11-96

Anik E1 - 111.1 West - Ku-Band  
 only one color bars test pattern noted - no other analogue signals

- Anik E2 - 107.3 West C-Band
- 1 - CBMT - Ch. 6 - Montreal, Quebec
  - 2 - TSN - The Sports Network - in the clear
  - 6 - CBC Newsworld ??? Oak/Orion encryption
  - 7 - feeds
  - 8 - Global feeds - Leitch encryption
  - 9 - CBC North (East?)
  - 11 - CBC - Montreal - French
  - 13 - CBC North (West)
  - 15 - feeds
  - 16 - CTV feeds
  - 17 - feeds
  - 18 - VCC Shopping Channel
  - 19 - TV Northern Canada
  - 20 - NTV - Newfoundland TV
  - 22 - EXXotica VC2
  - 23 - CBC Feeds
  - 24 - CTV



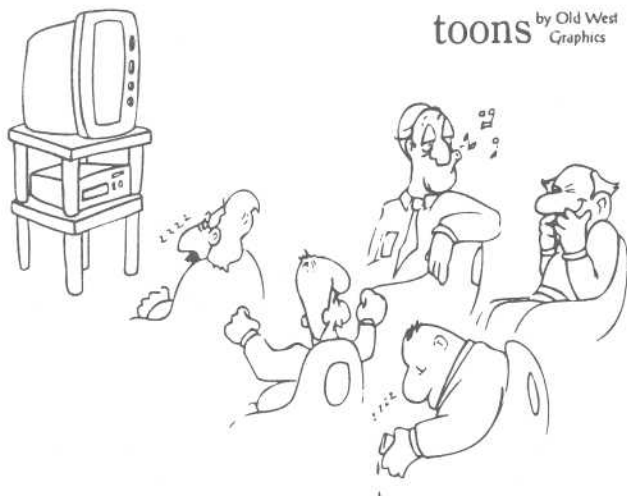
- Ku-Band - Horizontal - using Uniden receiver format
- 2 - Discovery - 0/0?
  - 4 - feeds
  - 6 - Bravo
  - 8 - Life
  - 14 - Showcase
  - 16 - Ontario Legislature
  - 18 - TV Ontario - French
  - 20 - TV Ontario - English
  - 26 - Atlantic Satellite Network
  - 30 Feeds
  - 32 - Feeds
  - 7 - Vertical - MuchMusic



That's all for now - see you in 30 - Good DX

*George*

toons by Old West Graphics



"WHO said 'double-hop' from Africa was coming in!!?"

# WESTERN TV-DX

June 1996

Pat Dyer, 5315 Silvertip Drive, San Antonio, TX  
78228-2744

## Equipment:

Emerson 1987 model 872 VCR used as the tuner ahead of a 9" B&W Keepsafer CCTV monitor. Archer V-100 and 8-bay bow-tie UHF array at 20' AGL with rotor.

March 1996			CST
19 Es	1704	WBTV 3 NC Charlotte	1090
	1729	WSAV 3 GA Savannah	1040
	1813	KNAZ 2 AZ Flagstaff	843
	1813	KVBC 3 NV Las Vegas	1052
	2017	WDTN 2 OH Dayton	1076

April 1996			CST
08 Es	1709	TGV 3 Guatemala	1120
14 Es	0853	XHBC 3 BN Mexicali	1022
	0857	KCBS 2 CA Los Angeles	1186
15 Es	1938	XHBC 3 BN Mexicali	1022
20 Es	2123	WSAZ 3 WV Huntington	1123
22 Es	1559	WEDU 3 FL Tampa	994
	1902	XHVIZ 3	
23 Es	1050	XHBC 3 BN Mexicali	1022
	1055	KVBC 3 NV Las Vegas	1052
	1122	KNAZ 2 AZ Flagstaff	843
27 Es	1854	XHBC 3 BN Mexicali	1022

May 1996			CST
01 tr	0044	KLFY 10 LA Lafayette	376
03 tr	0305	KWES 9 TX Odessa	307
	0429	KOSA 7 TX Odessa	289
	0503	KCBD 11 TX Lubbock	340
	0515	KAMC 28 TX Lubbock	339
	0521	KLBK 13 TX Lubbock	340
04 tr	0233	KLFY 10 LA Lafayette	376
	0325	WLBT 3 MS Jackson	522
	0401	WAFB 9 LA BatonRouge	446
	0413	KTBS 3 LA Shreveport	354
06 Es	1100	WWAY 3 NC Wilmington	1237
	1156	WBTV 3 NC Charlotte	1090
07 Es	1108	KOLO 3 SD Florence	1071

## Comments:

A much larger show of Es in March than expected with April doing well, but the first part of May a little bit of a slump. Heavy tropo of May 3 & 4 could have buried Es! WLBT from Jackson rather rare to get considering what would usually cover it up.

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## Equipment:

VHF: Zenith System 3 19" TV, Winegard PR-5040 at 18' AGL, Tandy RG-6QS, CM 9510A rotor  
UHF: Sanyo 19" TV, CM 4257 Quantum corner-yagi w/Winegard GA-4700 preamp at 24' AGL, Belden RG-6, Archerotor B.  
Goldstar GHV-1280M VCR w/RDX UA-75 UHF balun at input.

Distance: Per Fred Nordquist's printout.

No DX under 250 miles reported except new and LPTV.

March 1996			UTC
28 Es	1728	KDKA 2 PA	945
31 tr	0058	KAFT 13 AR	254
Es	0150	unID 2 XEW	
	0330	unIDs 2 XEW and Canal Cinco	
	0345	unID 4 XHTV-4 w/Melrose Place	
		unID 5 Mexico	

April 1996			
2 tr	0610	KAFT 13 AR	254
3 tr	0530	Houston V & U almost S/F	
	0700	WNOL 38 LA	274
	0740	XHAB 7 TA ID bars	503
	1320	KTUL 8 OK	288
	1325	KAFT 13 AR	254
11 tr	0235	KZTV 10 TX	385
	0340	XERV 9 TA	513
	0405	KENS 5 TX	347
	0430	KGNS 8 TX	481
	0440	KMOL 4 TX	347
	0455	KLRN 9 TX	347
	1235	KRBC 9 TX	348
	1240	KAUZ 6 TX Note #1	293
	1245	KJTL 18 TX	293
11 tr	1310	KOCO 5 OK	303
		KWTV 9 OK	303
	1320	KOKH 25 OK	303
	1355	KETA 13 OK	303
	1515	KAFT 13 AR	254
12 tr	1705	WWL 4 LA	274
13 tr	1520	XERV 9 TA	513
		KRGV 5 TX	501
		KGBT 4 TX	491

## Western TV DX (D.Oglethorpe's report continues)

13 tr	1530	XHFOX 17 TA	513
		XHAB 7 TA	503
		KZTV 10 TX	385
	1728	Some tropo still in	
Es	1728	WPBT 2 FL	939
	1755	WESH 2 FL	
	1920	CHBX 2 ON	1098
		unIDs 2, 4	
14 Es	0005	WUND 2 NC	1031
tr	0329	KAFT 13 AR	254
	0330	McAllen-Brownsville-Reynosa 4,5,7,9,17 back	
	0430	KABB 29 TX	347
	0435	KKAN 36 TX	277
	0445	KGNS 8 TX	481
		KTBC 7 TX	277
		KMOL 4 TX	347
		KENS 5 TX	347
	0455	KLRN 9 TX	347
		KZTV 10 TX	385
	0510	KVEO 23 TX	502
	0520	KLDO 27 TX Telemundo	481
	0545	XHBR 11 TA	483
	0600	KVUE 24 TX Local Off	277
	0635	KVDA 60 TX	347
	0645	KRRT 35 TX	356
		KVBO 42 TX	277
	0700	XHFTV 57 TA Note #2	483
	0710	KLJUJ 44 TX	491
	0715	K33DB 33 TX KTFH-49; Floating	205
	0730	KIIS 3 TX Floating	385
	0735	XHX 10 NL // XERV-9 (XEW)	611
	0805	WMAV 18 MS	279
		WMAH 19 MS //18	319
		WMPV 21 AL	355
		WNOL 38 LA	274
	0810	WPMT 15 AL NBC	355
		WGNO 26 LA	274
		WHLT 22 MS	274
	0815	WKNO 10 TN	285
		WEAR 3 FL Local off	410
		WLOX 13 MS	319
14 tr	0855	WCCLt 49 LA	
		WUPL 54 LA	277
	0915	KXAM 14 TX KXAN-36	311
	0922	KSAT 12 TX Local off	347
15 Es	2340	unIDs 2 XEW, TV7	
		unID 4	
16 Es	0055	XHBS 4 SI/SO	
	0105	unID 5 XEW//XHBS	
	0115	unID 2 XHQ-3 W/SI NX	
	0145	unID 4 XHGC-5	
17 tr	1245	KWTV 9 OK	303
	1255	KJTL 18 TX	293

17 tr	1323	KRBC 9 TX	348
	1425	KAUZ 6 TX Floating	293
18 tr	0350	WLOX 13 MS	319
		WMAH 19 MS	319
		WMPV 15 AL	355
	0415	WALAt 10 AL Matlock	
	0425	WHLT 22 MS	274
	0445	WMPV 21 AL	355
		WXXV 25 MS	309
	0512	WAKA 8 AL	394
	0540	WTOK 11 MS	296
19 tr	0045	XHAB 7 TA	503
		XERV 9 TA	513
	0055	KRGV 5 TX	501
		KGBT 4 TX	491
	1205	KVEO 23 TX	502
		XHFOX 17 TA	513
	1215	KABB 29 TX	347
		KZTV 10 TX	385
	1235	KGNS 8 TX	481
	1245	XHBR 11 TA	483
	1250	KMOL 4 TX	347
		KENS 5 TX	347
		KLRN 9 TX	347
	1340	KWTV 9 OK	303
	1435	KEDT 16 TX	385
	2345	KZTV 10 TX	385
20 tr	0105	KVEO 23 TX	502
	0115	KEDT 16 TX	385
	0130	XHAB 7 TA	503
		XERV 9 TA	513
22 tr	0505	WCBI 4 MS	319
		WTVA 9 MS	319
23 Es	1620	XHOXO 4 VER	1243
		unID 2 Note #3	
	1630	unID 2 XEW	
		XHI 2 SO TV Del Yaqui ID	1026
		XHBS 4 SI/SO XEW	
	1655	unIDs 4,5 Canal Trece	
	1710	unID 4 SS Shopping	
		unIDs 3,6	
	1740	KDBC 4 TX	746
23 Es	1800	KVOA 4 AZ	1004
	1825	KPHO 5 AZ	1065
	1855	KNAZ 2 AZ	1045
	2250	WSJK 2 TN	665
	2320	WCBD 2 SC	805
	2350	WESH 2 FL	789
		unIDs 4,5	
24 Es	0005	WPBT 2 FL	939
	0030	Cuba 2	
tr	1225	XERV 9 TA	513
	1853	WHBQ 13 TN	285
25 tr	0235	XHAB 7 TA	503
		KRGV 5 TX	501
	0240	KZTV 10 TX	385
	0245	KGBT 4 TX	491

**Western TV DX (D. Oglethorpe's report concludes)**

25 tr	0258	XERV	9 TA	513
	0315	XHFOX	17 TA	513
	0328	KAVU	25 TX	314
	0340	KEDT	16 TX	385
	0355	KVEO	23 TX	502
	0407	KLUJ	44 TX	491
	0410	KORO	28 TX UNI.	385
		KNVO	48 TX UNI.; a/u KTMD	506
	0415	KRIS	6 TX Floating	385
	0510	KRRR	35 TX	356
		KLRU	18 TX	277
	0525	KXAN	36 TX	277
	0555	KEYE	42 TX CBS; "K-Eye"	277
	0615	unID	19 TBN; SE	
	0620	K47DW	47 LA WNTZ-48	108
	0629	WLAE	32 LA	274
	0645	KIII	3 TX Floating	385
	0702	K30CVt30	TX Shopping	
	0730	KWEX	41 TX UNI.	347
		KVUE	24 LA Local Off	277
	0804	K21Ept21	AR TBN & Worship	
	0810	K34CY	34 TX KWKT-44	196
	0815	K23EB	23 AR Religion	107
	0820	KLFI	35 AR LP	73
	0830	WGNO	26 LA	274
		WNOL	38 LA	274
	0855	KTBC	7 TX	277
		KMOL	4 TX	347
		KENS	5 TX	347
	0935	KVCT	19 TX a/KLSB; ID bars	314
	1230	WHLT	22 MS	274
		W TOK	11 MS	296
		WLOX	13 MS	319
		WMP1	15 AL	355
	1232	WMAV	18 MS	279
		WMAH	19 MS //18	319
		WHNO	20 LA	274
	1235	WMPV	21 AL	355
		WXXV	25 MS	309
		WGBC	30 MS	296
		WEIQ	42 AL Note #4	355
	1237	WJTC	44 FL	410
25 tr	1237	WCCL	49 LA	274
		WFSG	56 FL	502
	1240	WVUE	8 LA	274
	1245	WUPL	54 LA	277
	1345	WHBQ	13 TN	285
26 tr	1240	KLFI	35 AR LP	73
	1310	unID	19 TBN; SE	
	1330	K47DW	47 LA	108
	1408	K52EV	52 LA WNTZ-48	92
	1415	WHLT	22 MS	274
		WIIQ	41 AL APT	346

27 tr	1420	WMAV	18 MS	279	
	Es	1538	KGAN	2 IA	654
		1559	WSJK	2 TN	665
29 tr	0300	WVUE	8 LA	274	
		0310	New Orleans	26,32,38	
30 tr	1220	K21Ept21	AR		
		K23EB	23 AR Local talk	107	
	1240	unID	20 TX TBN; west		
	1245	KLFI	35 AR LP	73	
	1310	unID	19 TBN; SE		
		K47DW	47 LA	108	

**Notes**

- In a previous report, I reported seeing KAUZ; but that turned out to be KIDY in San Angelo (which, at 396 miles, is a better catch than KAUZ). KAUZ's video was floating over local KTAL, while their audio was completely over KTAL's.
- XHFTX's ID bars were over local K57FQ at times. KVVV Houston must have been off, as there was no sign of them. XHFTX probably wouldn't have made it through KVVV.
- This is the station with Canal written around the top of the two. It is most likely in Veracruz.
- I'm sorry, but I listed WEIQ on channel 43 in an earlier report.

**Correction:**

In the April VUD, reception of WREG-3 Memphis should have been at 2315 UTC, not 2215. I'm sorry.

**Comments:**

The Saturday night/Sunday morning (April 13/14 CST) tropo was at an excellent time: several pests (including all local V's) were off the air. WEAR-3 has been seen previously floating on KTBS, but I never saw enough ID information to log it until April 14.

Thanks to L. Bernardo Gonzalez Maldonado (XE2HWP) of La Paz -- via Victor's The 50 MHz DX Bulletin -- for providing the location of XHLP-4. The station is in La Paz. Thanks also to Doug Smith for providing new calls and information about LPTVs recently seen here. Best wishes to Jeff Kruzka and his bride. Congratulations to "DXer of the Year" Tom Bryant.

Jeff Kruzka, 5024 S. Braxton Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70817

March 1996		CST	
03 tr	0032	KLDO 27 TX	540

April 1996		CST/CDT	
04 tr	0009	KORO 28 TX Univision	425
	0010	KLDO 27 TX Telemundo	540
	0012	XH??? 27 TA SS	715

**Western TV DX (Jeff Kruzka's report continues)**

04 tr	0021	KDFI	27 TX Dallas ad	365
20 tr	2045	WUSF	16 FL	550
	2049	WWSB	40 FL ID	555
	2050	WBHS	50 FL	550
	2130	WSFP	30 FL ID	620
	2114	WFTX	36 FL weather	620
	2117	WFTS	28 FL ABC	550

**May 1996**

01 tr	2200	XHAB	7 TA Reynosa ad	505
	2204	XHMOY	22 NL SS	650
	2223	XHFOX	17 TA S Texas ad	535
		KEDT	16 TX PBS	425
	2224	unID	14 SS "TV Azteca"	
	2240	KNVO	48 TX Univision	525
	2247	KMBH	60 TX PBS	495
03 tr	2048	XH???	24 TA SS Soccer	715
	2158	K66GA	66 TX Livingston TBN	230
	2213	{WUPA}	69 GA New calls???	455
	2222	WTBS	17 GA ID	455
		WATL	36 GA	455
04 tr	0016	WLOV	27 MS rare, ID	260
	0032	WPTY	24 TN ID	325
		WFBI	50 TN ID on screen	325
		WLMT	30 TN	325

Not much to report. May 1-4 was pretty strong tropo, but not many IDs. E-skip should be in soon!

Fernando Garcia, Apartado 30, Suc B, Cd Guadalupe, NL, 67181 MEXICO ph (8)360-5874. 1800' ASL, No re-logs under 700 miles in the same month. ALL TROPO.

**Equipment:**

Sony KV-27EXR15, Screened CM 7' dish 85', RG11, UA900 amp. Sony KV-13TR27, CM 1110 30', CM 8 bay UHF array 60' with R. Shack amp., both RG-6.

**February 1996**

20	2015	\$	WEIQ	42 AL	823
			WFSG	56 FL	929
		\$	WMAH	19 MS	771
			WMPV	21 AL	839
	2030		WMAV	14 MS	802
			WXXV	25 MS	761
	2045		WIIQ	41 AL	873
	2115		WHBR	33 FL	836
	2145		WPAN	53 FL	870
			WDDB	40 MS	749
	2200		WMBB	13 FL	960
	2230		WMDN	24 MS	833
20	2230	\$	WSRE	23 FL	855
			W52BF	52 AL Mobile HSS	830
			W46AN	46 FL Panama City tourism	960

	2245		WJTC	44 FL	845
			W31AQ	31 AL Mobile HSC	835
	2300		WFGX	35 FL	889
		\$	WAPT	16 MS	749
		\$	WATL	36 GA	1103
	2315		W29BH	29 MS Biloxi TBN	758
21	0245		WHSG	63 GA	1119
			WHOA	32 AL	926
	0300	\$	WLOX	13 MS	758
			WDHN	18 AL	982
	0330		WGNX	46 GA	1103
			WVEU	69 GA	1100
		\$	WUPL	54 LA	705
	0515		W47BP	47 MS MS Educ TV	771
	0530		WJSP	28 GA	1057
	0545		WTJP	60 AL	998
			WGIQ	43 AL	985
	0600		WPBA	30 GA	1103
	0700		WGBC	30 MS	830
	0715		WCFT	33 AL	923
	0730		WLTZ	38 GA	1035
			WXTX	54 GA	1035
			WBMG	42 AL	963
	1845		WFBS	50 FL	1116
	2000		WPXL	31 GA	1066
		\$	WABW	14 GA	1047
			WTWC	40 FL	1029
			WTXL	27 FL	1029
	2115		WFSU	11 FL	1005
			WPMI	15 AL	836
			W41BN	41 AL Dothan TBN	951
	2130		WMCB	45 AL	966
	2200		WSST	55 GA	1078
			WPGA	58 GA ABC, ex-FOX	1100
		\$	WMTG	41 GA	1116
	2330		WAIQ	26 AL	960
22	0000		WCOV	20 AL	954
	0130	-	WPGX	28 FL	951
	0145		WTGS	28 SC	1221
	0215	\$	WGXA	24 GA	1116
	0215	\$	WTBS	17 GA	1110
	0300		WAKA	8 AL	926
	0415	&	WSFA	12 AL	954
	0430		WKRG	5 AL	830
			WTVM	9 GA	1040
	0445	@	WDCC	29 GA	1125
		@	WACS	25 GA	1041
	0500		unID	65 TBN	
	0600		WGNM	64 GA	1116
	0630	@	WSWS	66 AL	1023
	0645	\$	WHLT	22 MS under local	771
	0700		unID	62 FOX	
	0715		WALA	10 AL over local	930
	0800	\$	WCES	20 GA	1196
22	0800		K57	57 LA New Orleans tourism	705
		\$	W45AA	45 MS MS Educational TV	739
	2300		W46AV	46 MS Pascouguila TBN	777



20	2200	WCEU	15 FL	FTV	1193	22	0515	WGXA	24 GA	FOX	1116
	2315	\$ WLTZ	38 GA	NBC	1035		0545	WATL	36 GA	Kids 36	1103
					1035			WGNX	46 GA	CBS	1103
	2330	WTLH	49 GA	FOX	1025			WUPA	69 GA	UPN 69	1100
				undd ch 39 mx videos				WHSB	63 GA	TBN	1119
	2345	WMCB	45 AL	TBN (334) 277 4545	966		0700	WDCO	29 GA	GPTV	1125
21	0000	WMTG	41 GA	NBC, TV 41, ID	1116	25	0300	\$ WMAW	14 MS	MS ETV	802
		\$ WPGA	58 GA	ABC	1100		0330	\$ WMAO	23 MS	MS ETV	799
	0015	WHOA	32 AL	ABC, ID	926		0615	WBMG	42 AL	CBS, WX	963
	2115	WS2BF	52 AL	Mobile HSS	830		0645	WFBI	50 TN	HSC, IDJ	900
	2200	\$ WIIQ	41 AL	SAP dif audio	873			@ WSWWS	66 AL	Starts 7 AM	1023
	2215	WGIQ	43 AL	SAP dif audio	985		0700	W47BP	47 MS	MS ETV	771
	2300	WAIQ	26 AL	SAP dif audio	960			WMDN	24 MS	CBS	833
22	0115	@ WABM	68 AL		966		0715	WHLT	22 MS	CBS, under local	771
		\$ WGBC	30 MS	NBC	830	28	0830	WYES	12 LA	PBS, over local	693
	0130	@ WTJP	60 AL	TBN	998		0845	W31AQ	31 AL	Mobile HSS	835
		WAFB	48 AL		1029		0900	W39BP	39 FL	Pensacola ACTS	840
	0430	\$ WNAL	44 AL		1015					Blue screen, ID	
	0445	@ WTTO	21 AL		970			W46AV	46 MS	Pacagoula TBN	777
	0500	WZDX	54 AL	ID, red cl's, FOX	1025	0915		undd ch 39 "Amazing adventures"			
		WAAV	31 AL		1029						

From this report I'll include again all 500-700 miles tropo logs, but I won't report any re-log in the same month.

This month was the best ever for 1000+ miles with 14 days, total of 9 USA states were logged with 179 different stations

Beginning this year all mexican states adopted the Summer saving time as follow:  
All states are CST/CDT except Nayarit, Sinaloa, Sonora and Baja California are as Mountain zone and Baja California Norte is as Pacific zone.

XHAB-7 new slogan: "Tenemos más"  
KDFI-27 ID as "FOX 4 TEXAS"  
KWHB-47 new logo: 47 inside a colorful circle at center of screen, also announces as cable 7  
K30EM lptv in Houma, LA has programming 0730-0000, but keeps test pattern all night long  
K39BJ lptv in Morgan city, LA has programming 0600-0000, but keeps all night broadcast with weather information on audio and advertisements and area events on screen.  
I have logged KLAFL lptv's stations (K69HD, K55HA, K46DG) with Channel america programming in early morning hours.

Matamoros-Reynosa TV AZTECA stations (sorry I have no call letters) are:  
ch. 11 with XHIMT-7 (this was with XHDF-13 when ch 14 was off)  
ch 14 with XHDF-13 (noted on air again April 22)

I can ID some unids from Southern FM DX column:

Dough Smith unid of Feb 23 101.7 is XHVIR "Super stereo" in Cd Victoria, TAMPS 100 kw  
Keith Pugh unids.

Dec 28 "Stereo Mil" is XHSON 100.9

"AZUL" is XHM 88.9

"R. Digital" in 91.5 "Stereo Plata Digital" XHZTS

"Internacional" in 99.3 is XHTL

Feb 23 100.1 Montemorelos is XHMSM "La Tejanita FM 100", new semi local

Any help with my unids of this month is greatly appreciated:

ch 53 Worship Tulsa? (logged twice)  
ch 31 Univision, north Texas or Oklahoma  
ch 61 with WNTZ-48 (logged twice)  
ch 52 with WPBT-2 (logged also on Nov/95)  
ch 59 CBS, Uvalde, TX translators were in strong.  
ch 39 Music videos, WXXV-25 blasting in

Victor 73's  
Fernando Garcia  
MAY-2-96

## EASTERN TV-DX

Stephen West  
1077 Sandy Narrows Court  
Virginia Beach, VA 23454

Deadline: 5th

Only a few reports this month, but some very interesting loggings make up for the lack of large quantities of distant signals. Doug Smith received Mexico on Ch. 9 at almost a thousand miles! Russell Miller had several high band VHF MS loggings and skip seen by a few DXers as well.

Doug Smith, 1385 Old Clarksville Pike, Pleasant View, TN 37146-8098

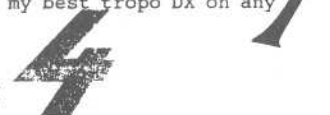
Equipment: Sears 19" color stereo TV; Archer VU-160 for VHF; RS corner-reflector for UHF, with CM-7475 preamp.

### February 1996 DX

21	Tr	2336	WHNO-20	LA	ad for WLNO-1060	478
			New Orleans	26/32/38/49		472
		2339	WIIQ-41	AL	"APT" test pattern	281
			WBMG-42	AL		201
22	Tr	2343	KARD-14	LA		415
			Houston 14,	20, 26, 45, 67		677
			KLFY-10	LA	Ville Platte ad	518
			KPRC-2t	TX	floating through WKRN	
23	Tr	0018	New Orleans 20			478
		0400	Mississippi ETV 19, 23			
		0403	WHSL-46 (MO)			232
		0413	KHTV-39	TX	(713) phone number in ad	677
		0419	KUHT-8	TX	"UHT" bug over educ. program	677
		0806	KETK-56	TX	Texas news	556
			KVVV-57	TX	ValueVision	680
		0807	KVDA-60t	TX	preacher, in English	
		0811	WAPT-16	MS		338
		0817	KZJL-61	TX	Shop At Home	678
			KNOE-8	LA	LA weather in CBS This Morn.	406
			KABB-29	TX	cartoons, wx in lower right	
		0826	KNWS-51	TX	All News Channel	678
		0830	XERV-9	TA	"Al Desparta", Mexican news and weather, "eco" mike flag, and ad for XEW-900; Note #1 CBS under WSMV	969
		0836	KGBT-4t	TX		
		0837	WXVT-15	MS		278
		0855	WXXV-25	MS	Gulfport ad	406
		0900	WJSP-28	GA	GPTV ID	279
			unID PBS's 45, 60			
		0903	WSTR-64	OH	"Star 64"	238
			WIIQ-41	AL	PBS // 25, 36	281
			Mississippi ETV 14, 19			
			New Orleans 20, 26, 32, 38, 49			
		0949	WKPT-19	TN	local ads	274
		0955	WLTZ-38	GA	calls	298
		1000	Atlanta 63, 69			
			WTLK-14	GA	legal ID, IN network mention	181
			unID-55		religious or PBS - history of religion	
29	Es	1020	unIDs 2 (Spanish), 3 (PBS), 4 (English). Suspect XEPM, KENW, and KDBC. Continued until about 1230.			

Note #1: Tamapulias previously logged by Es. Also, my first Mexican on tropo on any band, and my best tropo DX on any band.

**KGBT-TV**  
THE VALLEY'S NEWS LEADER



Dave Nieman - Ho Sta Geh Road - Rock City New York 14749

Equipment: Teknika 6510 tuner into a Zenith 19" TV plus an ICOM IC-R7000 with TV-R7000 TV receiver adapter. Channel Master 3617B VHF antenna at 15 feet AGL on a Radio Shack rotor. Belden RG-6 coax feed into a Winegard FT-7600 FM trap (set to 95.7MHz) and Winegard DA-205 distribution amp. Antennacraft P-7 UHF antenna at 66 feet AGL on a Alliance HD-73 rotor. Winegard PA-4975 preamp and Belden RG-11/u coax feed. All underlined loggings are new. All using ICOM receiver.

Table with columns for dates (February 1996, March 1996) and station call signs (e.g., WNYW-5+, WSBK-38z, WCVE-23z, etc.) with associated numbers.

I noted stations offset after channel number.

Dave

William R. Hepburn, 35 Lockwood Rd, BRAMPTON, ON, CANADA L6Y 4T7

Equipment: Panasonic PC-29XF40R TV, JVC HR-D630U VCR & IC-R100 Scanner, CM VHF Yagi @ 47', 10 db RS VHF amp.

Table with columns for months (DECEMBER 1995, JANUARY 1996, FEBRUARY 1996, MARCH 1996) and station call signs/numbers.

Comments: 5 straight ES days at Xmas plus rare March ES! Wyoming is state # 36 from Brampton-Toronto. previously had KYCU-5 from Niagara Falls. Has WDAF changed calls now that they are Fox? KSFX calls seen very briefly (and not clearly), so very tentative. KDLO-3 SD still uses "Garden City" as its location during its ID.

Russell Miller P.D. Box 1736 Houlton Me. 04730-5736 (Awtly)
EST Time underlined=Multiple times seen on this date
January 1996 5 Ms 0356 UNID-13 18 Ms 0523 H.S.-7-13
28 Ms 0210 WXY7-7 MI (SPREE THE PLACE TO BE) (WSET+WBIW show)
(Children First & 0451 CKCO-13 ON HSN-maybe others)
hollow 7 Logo) (3/4s CBS+Call) 0648 UNID-11 (72 sec. burst)
0435 UNID-13 0650 WTTW-11 IL
(Home Shopping) (11 WTTW/Chicago-bars) 20 Es 1700 WDN-2 ON
0322 CKCO-2 ON 8 Ms 0559 UNID-11 ETZ 1705 WCBD-2 9C
0342 CIII-2 ON (5 thick stripes) 1705 WBRN-2 TN
0346 UNID-2 on news counter?) 1711 WYFF-4 SC
(Showing 4 WTRE-PA) 10 Ms 0649 MJHL-11 TN 1726 WSBT-4 GA
0615 CIII-4 ON (3/4s+11+CBS eye) 1812 WAGA-5 BR
0621 MUNC-4 NC 12 Ms 0314 UNID-10 21 Ms 0655 UNID-11
30 Ms 0547 CKCO-2 ON (3/4 CBS) (News, 2 Low right-
0559 WJBL-2 MI 15 Ms 1100 WTWO-2 IN man + woman as seen
0603 CIII-2 ON (Logo) Dec - suspect Great
0611 KDKA-2 PA 16 Ms 0516 UNID-13 Lakes area CHCHTV?)
0627 CHBK-2 ON (National News) 22 Ms 0314 WJZZ-10 MI
31 Ms 0636 WTRE-4 PA 0602 MEXI-11 PA (+ The News Lea.)
February 1996 (TRAIL OF TERROR) 23 Ms 0857 WTKR-3 VA
1 Ms 0247 BBS-10 ON RON JAYE Reporting) (News Channel 3+
(CFPL or CKNY) 17 Ms 0305 WSL-10 VA Kill Dev. Hills NC)
3 Ms 0643 UNID-11 (TV Watch-4PM) 26 Ms 0324 BBS-10 ON
(3/4 CB's) 18 Ms 0224 UNID-10 ON? (CFPL or CKNY)
5 Ms 0138 UNID-10 (Blank screen with ver. lines or bars left side - seen on 2 and 4 many times???????)
0200 BBS-10 ON
0203 UNID-10 (3/4 CB's + Comm)

COMMENTS: The secret to success in high band meteor scatter DXing is to tape 6 hours a night and review it fast forward. If you have fair eyes you can detect the slightest ping! A good freeze frame is a must. You don't have to have an open channel but it must be very weak at most. If you don't have good eyes you can pay your grandchildren a dollar an ID and they will be out of your hair for the entire day! I receive many more UNIDed signals which if I had just a few more db's, I could quadruple my ID's. A few less db's on the other hand, and I wouldn't be identifying many at all. The long duration, overdrive bursts are hard to miss when properly lined up.

GREG CONIGLIO
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NORTHERN FM-DX

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For DXers in: MA,NH,VT,CT,MA,RI,NY,PA,NJ,OH,MI,IN,IL,WI,MN,IA,NE,SD,ND,MT,WY,ID,WA,OR,AK,Canada

JUNE 1996 DEADLINE: The 5th LOG CUTOFF: 3 months from postmark

Another very small column this time around. Still not much activity out there. Much of the east has been gripped with much-below normal temperatures, and much-above normal precipitation- not the best condition for tropo. Hopefully things will start to pick up soon. There have been signs of TV e-skip activity picking up here in early May, but no FM openings of significance have been reported to me as of yet. Let's hope that changes soon - keep your ears and eyes open!

DAVE NIEMAN - HO STA GEH ROAD - ROCK CITY NEW YORK 14749

Equipment: Carver TX-11 tuner. IF filter modified. Channel Master model 4408 (Stereo Probe 9) at 56 feet AGL on a Alliance HD-73 rotor. Winegard FT-7600 variable FM trap for 95.7MHz. Belden RG-11/u coax feed. New loggings are underlined. ( ) indicates call changes.

Table with columns for months (FEBRUARY 1996, APRIL 1996) and station call signs/numbers.

Cooler and wetter then usual spring has killed the tropo, I think. I have seen one short-lived e-skip opening reaching only TV Channel 2. Dave

RALPH STROBEL - 106 E. DAVIDSON STREET - MUNCIE, INDIANA 47303  
 Equipment: McIntosh MR-78 FM Tuner with two CM Stereo Probe 9 antennas and rotors at 32 and 38 feet above ground separated at 35 feet, with use of Bolin phase box.  
 \*Denotes use of phase box.

November 1995 (EST)	January 1996
12 MS	4 MS
?? KJMS 101.1 TN Memphis	432 0116 KCFX 101.1 MO Harrisonville- KC, previous tr
17 MS	0139 KLIR 101.1 NE Columbus
0209 KRMD 101.1 LA Shreveport	706 18 MS
19 MS	0853 KFNF 101.1 KS Oberlin
1210 KLIR 101.1 NE Columbus	633 February 1996
20 MS	12 tr
?? WNOE 101.1 LA New Orleans	755 0000 WBHW 88.7 IN Loogootee, gmeno 132 (WICR 88.7 IN Indy, off air) 50
21 MS	25 tr
0135 KRMD 101.1 LA Shreveport	706 2201 WJZA 107.5 OH Columbus, sj\$ 127 March 1996 (with new antennas)
24 tr	73 25 tr
0400 WMCQ 101.5 KY Richmond- ex-101.7 Lexington, o\$ (o/WKKG 101.5 IN Columbus)	178 0101 WQXE 98.3 KY Elizabethtown- Radcliff-Bardstown-Brandenburg, r\$ "Quizie-98.3 ex-98.5 & 100.1
25 MS	980 29 tr
1051 WAYF 88.1 FL West Palm Beach	815 0506 WZJZ 104.3 OH Richwood- Columbus, smooth j\$
December 1995	April 1996 (CDT)
10 MS	10 MS
0750 WRR 101.1 TX Dallas	803 0007 KJIC 90.5 TX Santa Fe, previous Es
12 MS	754 29 MS
?? KWOX 101.1 OK Woodward	802 ?? KFNF 101.1 KS Oberlin
15 MS	May 1996
?? KETR 88.9 TX Commerce	4 MS
23 tr	?? KFNF 101.1 KS Oberlin
2115 WRSL 96.3 KY Stanford, ads, k\$ 187	530 ?? KDREt 101.1 AR N. Little Rock
26 Es	5 tr
2337 KQAY 92.7 NM Tucumcari, ads, \$ 1062	0000 WYSA 88.5 OH Wauseon- (//WYSZ 89.3) Defiance, gr\$ 114 (o/WMUB 88.5 OH Oxford) 58
27 Es	6 tr
0000 KENW 89.5 NM Portales, c\$ 1072	0000 WOSC 91.1 OH Coshocton, c\$ 186
0003 KLTG 96.5 TX Corpus Christi, o\$ 1098	
0010 KFLQ 91.5 NM Albuquerque, g\$ 1217	
0120 KKBCQ 92.9 TX Pasadena- Houston, k\$ 914	

(t = tentative)  
 (All new stations in this area have been taped with legal IDs)

Meteor Scatter Results:

11/12 KJMS "...101-Jams..."	12/15 KETR "...in a couple seconds, ok?"
11/17 KRMD "...KRMD-FM 101.1..."	Ok, what's your Commerce..."
11/19 KLIR "...In Columbus, it's 11:10..."	1/04 KCFX "...is underway at the Oak Grove rest stop at I-70 exit 28..."
11/20 WNOE "...101.1 WNOE..."	KLIR "...for Clear-101, this is Tom Debachi..."
11/21 KRMD "...KRMD-FM 101.1..."	1/18 KFNF "...Here on real country, KFNF..."
11/25 WAYF "...portions of...on Way-FM is being underwritten..."	4/10 KJIC "...the KJIC weather fore- cast...and Wednesday, calling for clear skies..."
12/10 WRR "...by Southwestern Bell Mobil System...trouble with the latest promoters to work in the Dallas area, only one of them is on the freeway. Eastbound I-30 the old turnpike..."	4/29 KFNF "...KFNF 101.1..."
12/12 KWOX "...center in Woodward..."	5/04 KFNF "...KFNF 101.1..." KDREt "...KDR..."

On December 19, 1995, at 0600 my TV antennas crashed down on my house putting two holes in the roof and destroying my FM phase antenna as well. This was due to a horrible ice storm with wind gusts over 80 mph! In March new antennas were re-stored. However, I now have three towers on my property. I decided to get a Quantum VHF-UHF combination TV antenna this time. Reception is not quite as good as a seven foot dish, but certainly not inferior. At least I won't have anymore seven footers coming down again. The new TV antenna is 48 ft. above ground and was put in four feet of concrete.

# SOUTHERN FM DX

Danny Buntin  
 1312 N. Skyline  
 Stillwater, OK 74075

JUNE 1996

DEADLINE: 14th

SOME TROP, BUT OTHERWISE A VERY SLOW SPRING TIME FOR DXing

Eric Bueneman (NOI1H), 631 Coachway Lane, Hazelwood, MO 63042-1347 CDT  
 (Internet: EBSJDJDX@aol.com)  
 Equipt.: Mopar AM Stereo/FM Stereo car radio installed in al 1989 Dodge Grand Caravan, in the parking lot of the Budgetel in Hazelwood. (All distances are expressed in miles and kilometers, with miles first.)  
 4/19 tr  
 0840 WSDM 97.7 IN Brazil, loc.ads,  
 "Wisdom 97", Oldies 185/296  
 0843 WNAP 93.1 IN Indianapolis,  
 "The Buzzard", classic hits, 240/384  
 0845 WKRQ 101.9 OH Cincinnati, "Q-102",  
 CHR 320/512  
 0849 WZZQ 107.5 IN West Terre Haute, loc.ads,  
 "Rock 107.5"//WZZQ-1230, splash from KMJM  
 107.7 164/264  
 0853 WRGL 104.5 IN Indianapolis, "The Bear,  
 promo, loc.ads, Hot c&w 240/384  
 These were all logged before the sparsely attended St. Louis DX Get Together '96 began. I stumbled onto an excellent trop opening into Indiana and Illinois, even getting as far east as Cincinnati. Some stations even managed to take out some semi-locals, such as WMGI 100.7 taking out KZMM and WFYI 90.1 taking out four mile distant 10-watter KRHS. The St. Louis DX Get Together had to be shortened due to lack of attendance this year, but I did tout WRTH 1043/WIL 92.3/KIHT 96.3, and KKOK 97.1. I have also switched from the Realistic STA-90 to the Sangean ATS-803A (my primary SW receiver) for my FM DX, still using the Archer VU-110 as the antenna. 73 and good DX from NOI1H. (I pity you for having to use FM in a shortwave receiver. The FMs in those things are of such poor quality. DX FM on a real machine. DB)

Gus Mancuso, 5615 Inwood St., Chverly, MD 20785-1120 701-773-3072  
 No DX to report, per se, but want to share some info. WQRA 94.3 VA using non-ID WINX (Winks) FM since going simul with WINX 1600 MD. Probably changing to WINX-FM official soon. WGRX 100.7 went to a disco oriented 70s format for about a week as "Polyester 101", then on afternoon of 5/6 changed again to "Froggy 100.7", k, claiming to play more fast songs. While "Poly 101", they ran ads from other Balto rock stations (WOCT 104.3 & WIYY 97.9) inviting rock fans to switch to them?? WRCHY 107.7 VA tried the up-tempo c&w format, too, but went to conventional k top 40 in 1993 when K music conservatized dramatically. WWDC 101.1 running reruns fo Greaseman show Sat. mornings.

Matthew C. Sittel, 110 Bear Creek Lane, Apt. A-4, Asheville, NC 28806  
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4/22 tr	0717 WFYV 104.5 FL Atlantic Beach, "Rock 105" 367	5/3 tr	0703 WQIK 99.1 FL Jacksonville, calls 366
0718 WOCL 105.9 FL DeLand, "Cool 105.9" 458	0722 WCHY 94.1 GA Savannah, calls 257	0705 WHKR 102.7 FL Rockledge, "HKR", k 512	0728 WHFX 103.3 GA Waycross, area ad 301
0726 WQIK 99.1 FL Jacksonville, local ad 366	0727 WPAL 100.9 SC Walterboro, area mention 215	5/4 tr	0450 WXBW 102.7 FL Milton, ID, k 427
0730 WUFT 89.1 FL Gainesville, fund raising 408	0730 WUFT 89.1 FL Gainesville, fund raising 408	0507 WGPC 104.5 GA Albany, calls 289	0533 WSMG 103.1 TN Tusculum, "G-103", calls
4/23 tr	0659 WYES 89.5 GA Savannah, ID 257	0538 WKSJ 99.5 FL Fort Walton Beach, "99 Rock" 424	0540 WYZZ 105.5 FL Mary Esther, "Country 105.5" 429
0707 WMKO 94.9 GA Millen, local ad 195	0729 WUGA 91.7 GA Athens, calls 120	0553 WJDO 101.3 MS Meridian, "Twin State's Q101" 413	0555 WKMX 106.7 AL Enterprise, "106.7 KMX" 348
4/29 tr	1838 WWQQ 101.3 NC Wilmington, "Double Q", k 282	0557 WYRK 102.9 GA Columbus, "Rock 103" 252	0559 WJWJ 89.9 SC Beaufort, SCERN sign-on 244
5/3 tr	0659 WFYV 104.5 FL Atlantic Beach, "Rock 105" 367	0559 WSCI 89.3 SC Charleston, // WJWJ 244	0603 WBYZ 94.5 GA Baxley, local mention 262
0701 WOCL 105.9 FL DeLand, "Cool 105.9" 458			

It's nice to have something to report! After a lackluster '95 skip season (fewer than 70 new, and that was the first season at this QTH no less...) and a long winter in which no DX was the rule, the return of spring to the mountains was accompanied by DX! After years on the Tennessee side of the mountains, this side certainly has proved to be just the thing to give me a clear shot at Florida. No signs of Tallahassee yet, but if I can get Fort Walton I think it's only a matter of time. That's not all this location has provided; I'm only half an hour from 5,000' vistas on the Blue Ridge Parkway, which aided in an especially good catch last year when I picked up 101.5 KNUE Tyler, TX via trop (760 miles) on 9/30/95.





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Over the years, the VUD has published numerous features which spotlighted historic aspects of the TV industry. One such offering was Robert J. Williams "MEMORABILIA". Reprinted below are ID and test pattern photos which appeared in his May 1978 column. Will today's color bars and IDs seem this ancient 20 years hence?

## MEMORABILIA

May 1978

Robert J. Williams  
251 6th Avenue East  
Twin Falls, Idaho 83301  
Phone: (208) 733-3621  
Deadline: 5th of Month

"MORE MEMORABLE DX PHOTOS"

Photos courtesy of Bill Draeb of Kewannee WI:



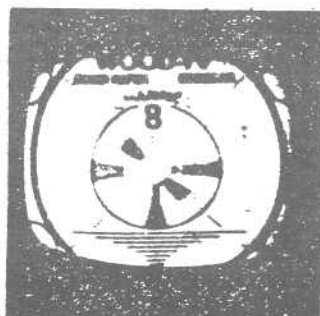
WFEM-6 Indianapolis IN  
320 mi. tropo now WRTV 6



KRNT-8 Des Moines IA  
371 mi. tropo now KCCI 8



WSIX-8 Nashville TN  
585 mi. tropo now WNGE 2  
(Ch. 8 now occupied by WDCN (ETV))



WOOD-8 Grand Rapids MI  
155 mi. tropo now WOTV 8

Well, that's it for another "nostalgia trip", guys. 73s, gud DX,

Bob

## JAMAICA FM Bandscan

by Mike Cherry VE7SKA

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|-------|---------|---|
| 89.3  | KLAS    | News/Talk days, variety of music nights, \$ ID: "K-L-A-S" (like US call letters!)   |
| 89.7  | KLAS    | // 89.3 \$  |
| 89.9  | KLAS    | // 89.3 \$  |
| 90.5  | RJR-FM  | Music is block programmed: reggae, soca, US urban cont., southern gospel. \$ simulcast with RJR-AM: 10am - 2pm daily. ID: "RJR the Supreme Sound"   |
| 91.1  | JBC-FM  | \$ stereo service. Music is block programmed: reggae, ska & rock-steady oldies, gospel  |
| 91.5  | Fame FM | Music is block-programmed: reggae, soca, urban or gospel. \$ Jazz Sunday mornings   |
| 92.7  | Fame FM | // 91.5 \$  |
| 92.9  | RJR-FM  | // 90.5 \$  |
| 93.3  | JBC-1   | Full-time pseudo-stereo simulcast of AM service; block programming: public affairs, reggae, ska & rock-steady oldies. \$ ID: "JBC Radio One-derful" |
| 94.5  | RJR-FM  | // 90.5 \$  |
| 95.3  | Fame FM | // 91.5 \$  |
| 95.7  | Fame FM | // 91.5 \$  |
| 97.1  | JBC-1   | // 93.3 \$ (pseudo-stereo) mono audio   |
| 97.3  | JBC-1   | // 93.3 \$ (pseudo-stereo) mono audio   |
| 98.1  | Fame FM | // 91.5 \$  |
| 98.7  | JBC-1   | // 93.3 \$ (pseudo-stereo) mono audio   |
| 99.7  | JBC-1   | // 93.3 \$ (pseudo-stereo) mono audio   |
| 100.3 | JBC-FM  | // 91.1 \$  |
| 101.1 | Love FM | cont. Christian music (rg) Some soft-sell rlg talk. \$  |
| 101.3 | RJR-FM  | // 90.5 \$  |

