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FROM THE STAFF:

WTFDA's NEW MAILING ADDRESS: Effective IMMEDIATELY all general club correspondence including applications for membership and renewals should be sent to:

WTFDA PO Box 501 Somersville, CT 06072

Many thanks to long time member Mike Bugai for accepting the duty of handling the club's mail.

CONVENTION NEWS: David J. Nieman's proposal for the 1998 WTFDA convention has been enthusiastically accepted. Dave has attended a lot of conventions and knows what it takes to make a good one. The flavor of this get-together will be somewhat like that of the popular gatherings hosted by Bob Seybold on the hilltops near Fredonia (Dunkirk), NY. Although he won't be able to guarantee any E-Skip; his mountaintop location in southwestern New York state has enormous potential to provide convention-goers with some exotic tropospheric treats. A full page of convention information appears elsewhere in this issue. Be sure to take a look at the details and make arrangements to be there Friday July 31 through Sunday August 2.

TV/FM DXers CHAT ON INTERNET: WTFDA's new 'postmaster', Mike Bugai, is the organizer and promoter of a newly formed DX chat channel in the IRC area of the internet. Several club members have been getting together once or twice a week for over a month to talk about DX, equipment, and themselves. Oregon, Connecticut, California, Louisiana and Tennessee are states represented thus far, and Monterrey, Mexico has checked in too. Each week another name or two pops up, and all ty/fin dxers are welcome to join. Here's the hookup information. First, you'll need to determine if your internet service provider offers access to IRC (most do). If the answer is yes, there's likely an IRC software program provided. In the event you don't have such a program, a visit to this URL will lead you to information and several download points for the popular mIRC shareware: << http://pebbles.axi.net/mirc/>>. Unfortunately, this software is only for IBM and IBM clone PCs. Mac programs are available elsewhere. Once you have the IRC software installed and operating, here's where you'll find your dxer pals: irc.stealth.net (port 5550) and join channel #wtfdxa. The group meets each Tuesday and Friday at 10 PM Eastern Time. If you have trouble hooking up, e-mail Mike for help at <<ikon@netcom.com>>. Give this new DXer hookup at try. Those who have love it.



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TIP DEADLINE - The 10th

Many of the items listed in this column are taken from the publication: M Street Journal - P.O. Box 1479 - Madison, TN 37116-1479 PHONE (615) 865-1525 FAX (615) 865-2598

KEY:

&: satellite programming AF: new freq. allocation accepted for filing for a new FM license

AFA: American Family Association CC: call change/new calls assigned

CL: city of license change granted CO: new xmtr co-ordinates

CX: a CP has expired, and is cancelled C1.C2, etc. change in class status DA: directional antenna

DE: calls deleted, license returned to FCC FC: station format change

GA: granted amendment to table of FM allocations GE: station was granted extension of a CP

GX: granted replacement of expired CP LC: filed for license to cover (for new stn.) MC: multiple-city legal ID

NC: no change yet, on a reported pending grant/change.

ND: non-directional NO: station is not on the air NS: a new station granted a license

OSA: one-step application NW: new station signs on the air PA: proposed amendment to change table of allocations

PC>: a power change (increase)

PC<: a power change (decrease) PG>: power change granted (increase)

PG<: power change granted (decrease) QC: frequency change for this station

OG: frequency change granted

RA: station returns to the air RE: station requests extension of a CP RX: station requests re-instatement of

an expired CP

SG: slogan change or update SI: station is silent

XA: disimssed amendment to the table

of FM allocations XC: station changes xmtr site

XG: station granted a transmitter (xmtr) site change



UNITED STATES

ALABAMA:

Florence: WQLT107.3 NC to 93 kW, 1017 ft, RX

Gadsden: *NS 89.9 8.9 kW (h)

Gadsden: WQEN103.7 OSA to C1, 77 kW, 1105 ft

XG: 33-49-33 / 86-26-46

Millbrook: WMCZ 97.1 PG< 1.3 kW. 702 ft XG: 32-20-06 / 86-17-16

Thomaston: *NS 97.7 4 kW, 407 ft.

Troy:*NS 91.12 kW, 246 ft. (AFA)

ALASKA:

Anchorage: KSKA 91.1 PC> 100 kW, 617 ft, C1 XC: 61-25-22 / 149-52-20

Houston: *NS 88.7 NO-RE

ARIZONA:

Arizona City: KBZR106.5 FC to oldies // KRIM 104.3 Groom Creek: K258AL 99.5 NS-KAWZ 88.9 ID

Payson: KRIM 104.3 FC to oldies "Oldies 104.3"

Salome: *** 96.1 GA: add class A Show Low: KNAA 90.7 NW, info & dassical // KNAU

Yarnell: *** 99.5 GA: add class A

ARKANSAS:

Brinkley: KQMC102.3 OSA to C2, 50 kW, 492 ft. XG: 34-58-10 / 90-51-07

Dermott: *NS 105.7 3 kW, 328 ft.

Hamburg: KHMB 99.5 PG> 3.2 kW, 312 ft XG: 33-17-19 / 91-52-45

Harrison: *NS 91.9 AF KHPA104.9 PC> 6 kW, 328 ft

XC: 33-43-12 / 93-29-11 Lakeview: *NS 93.5 25 kW, 328 ft. DA

Mtn Pine: KZBR 101.9 PC< 3.1 kW. 407 ft XC: 34-26-56 / 93-15-59

Newport: KOKR 96.7 QC from 100.7, PC> 40 kW

548 ft, XC: 35-29-16 / 91-26-13

CALIFORNIA:

Boonville: *** 96.1 GA: add class A

Borrego Sps: K220GJ91.9 NS-50w(v): KAWZ 88.9 ID Carmel: KBOQ 95.5 adds Super classical (&)

Escondido: KFSD 92.1 adds Super classical (&)

KCMJ 92.7 FCtodance-CHR (P.Springs)

PC> 6 kW, 328 ft.

Long Beach: KLAX97.9 PC< 33 kW. 604 ft, DA XC: 34-09-49 / 118-11-44

Marina: KRQC 92.7 FC to rock (Monterey)

Mendocino:KAKX 89.3 LC

Merced: KFIE 107.7 FC to reg. Mexican (&)

Morro Bay: KWWV 99.7 FC to dance-CHR "Kiss 99.7"

CX CP for 265w, 1532', DA, XC

Oceanside: KXST 102.1 PC> 14.5 kW, 817 ft.

Ojai: KKBE 105.5 FC to soft AC (&)

Riverside: KUCR 88.3 NC to 150w, 1620', RX San Fran: KFOG104.5 PG< 7.1 kW. 1506 ft.

San Jose: KBRG100.3 CX CP for 34 kW, 587 ft.

San Rafael: KFOG1 104.5 NS- ?? watts Sebastopol: KJZY 93.7 PG> 6 kW, 215 ft, DA

XG: 38-25-07 / 122-40-33

Shasta Lake City: *NS 107.1 150w. 3549 ft. Soledad: KLUE 106.3 PC> 5.1 kW, 344 ft

XC: 36-16-25 / 121-16-12

Twentynine Palms: KCDZ 107.7 PC> 6.7 kW, 305', B1

COLORADO:

Calhan: *** 104.7 GA: add class A Canon City: KSTY103.9 GA: to 104.5 - A

Canon City: *NS 89.1 AF

Gunnison: KEJJ 98.3 CC (ex KKYY)

Kremmling: KRKM106.3 FC to oldies (&) Montrose: *NS 88.3 5 kW, 1535 ft.

KYZX 104.5 GA: to 103.9 -C1: W.Pueblo Pueblo: K201CZ88.1 NS: 90w(v): KEAR 106.9 CA

Silverton: *NS 103.7 AF

Telluride: KRYD104.9 LC

CONNECTICUT:

Hartford: WJMJ 88.9 PC< 6.2 kW, 607', DA

FLORIDA:

Homestead: WRGP88.1 NO-GE

Jupiter: WTPX105.5 FC to adult standards (&)

Key Largo: WMKL 91.7 NO-RE

Leesburg: W257BF 99.3 NS-55w: WYFB 90.5 Melbourne: WCIF 106.3 OSA to C3, 11 kW, 489' XG: 28-08-15 / 80-42-11

Ponte Vedra Bch: WBGB 106.5 CC (ex WTLK), FC to Classic rock (Jacksonville)

Santa Rosa Bch: WWAV 102.1 XG:30-23-10/86-17-48

Satellite Bch: *** 98.5 GA:add class A St.Augustine: W207AZ 89.3 NS-WPCS 89.5 Tallahassee: WGLF104.1 adds John Boy & Billy

Tice: WAAD 93.7 NO-RE Venice: WCTQ 92.1 PC< 22 kW

GEORGIA:

Cordele: *NS 90.3 AF

Darien: WYNR107.7 NC to 482', RE

Douglas: WOKA106.7 FC to classic country (&)

Douglas: WKZZ 92.5 NO-GE Elberton: WDDA105.1 CC (NS)

Gainesville: W300AP 107.9 NS-13w: WYFW 89.5 Gainesville: WYAY106.7 inc. to 1417 ft.

XC: 34-07-32 / 83-51-32

Greenville: WKZJ 95.7 FC to urban AC, adds

Tom Joyner (Columbus)

LaFayette: *** 107.5 XA to add class A

Lumpkin: *NS 88.5 AF Montezuma: *NS 95.1

Pt.Wentworth: *NS 91.9 6 kW, 180 ft, DA Ringgold: WSGC101.9 FC to dance-CHR //

WKXJ 97.3 TN (Chattanooga)

Sparta: *NS 102.7 NO-RX Statesboro: W257BG 99.3 NS-80w: WAFJ 88.3 SC

Talking Rock: *NS100.1 AF

Thomaston: WTGA 101.1 FC to country (&)

Waycross: WBGA102.5 PC< 97 kW, 994 ft

XC: 31-09-22 / 81-58-19

Winder: WYFW 89.5 PC> 6 kW, 200 ft, DA

IDAHO:

Grangeville: K220GK 91.9 NS-?? WAFR 88.3 MS Mtn Home: K267AE101.3 NS-10w: KEFX Nampa: KFXJ 94.9 CC (ex KFXD)

Rathdrum: *NS 90.3 AF



The Variety's in the Music!

Albion: WBJW 91.7 LC

Christopher: WUEZ103.5 XC: 37-55-55 / 88-57-31 Crete: WYAA102.3 CC (ex WEMG), RA

with black gospel (Chicago)

Decatur: WDZQ 95.1 adds ABC country (&) El Dorado: WEBQ102.3 NC to 6 kW, 328', DA, RE

Elgin: WJKL 94.3 go to ND Geneseo: "NS 88.1 2 kW (v), 335 ft. Glenview: WGBK 88.5 PG> 150w, 3389 ft, DA

XG: 42-05-24 / 87-51-20

Illinois:

Highland Park: WXXY 103.1 CC (ex WVVX), FC to

R&B oldies (Chicago)

Jacksonville: W218BA 91.5 NS- 15w: WTSG Monee: WMBY 88.9 CC (ex WGNR)

Morris: WYXX103.1 CC (ex WJDK), FC to R&B oldies // WXXY 103.1 Highland Park

Ramsey: WJLY 93.3 XG: 39-08-04 / 89-06-00 St.Joseph: WGNJ 89.3 NO-RE

Seneca: WJEK 95.7 NW, ABC a/c (&)

INDIANA:

Alexandria: WAXT 96.7 adds Jones AC
Anderson: WGNR 97.9 CC (ex WXXP)
Auburn: WGL 102.3 adds 1-on-1 sports // AM (&)
Danville: WSYW107.1 PC> 1.8 kW, 604 ft.
Ferdinand: WGKZ 98.5 NW, CD Country (&)
Hagerstown: WBSH91.1 NW, info/classical // WBST
Indianapolis: WNAP93.1 adds Howard Stern
Portland: WBSJ 91.7 NW. info/classical // WBST

Winamac: WFRI 100.1 LC

IOWA:

New London: *NS 97.3 AF Sageville: KIYX 106.1 NO-GF

KANSAS:

Beloit: K217CV 91.3 NS-250w: WAFR 88.3 MS Concordia: KCKS 95.3 OSA to 94.9 - C1, 100 kW

538 ft, XG: 39-38-17 / 97-49-19 Dearing: *NS 98.1 6 kW, 328 ft. Dodge City: KONQ91.9 NC to 223', XC, RX

Kingman: KCVW 94.3 LC

Marysville: K219DG91.7 NS-WAFR 88.3 MS Medicine Lodge: KREJ 101.7 dec. to 476 ft

XG: 37-14-00 / 98-39-44

Pleasanton: *** 101.5 PA: add class C3

KENTUCKY:

Benton: *NS 88.1 AF

Carlisle: WVCM100.7 RA with religion and

cont. Christian // WJMM 106.3 Danville: WHIR 107.1 NC to 4.9 kW. 157 ft.

Garrison: WOKE 98.3 NO-RE Hawesville: WXCM 97.1 PG< 2.5 kW, 505 ft,

XC: 37-47-44 / 86-50-58

PA: to CL: Whitesville, KY - class A Middlesboro: *NS 90.1 AF

LOUISIANA:

Arcadia: *NS 92.5 5.5 kW, 328 ft. Ball: *NS 105.5 1.5 kW, 328 ft. Buras: *NS 91.1 AF (AFA) Clayton: kFGA 107.9 NO-RE DeRidder: *NS 91.1 250w, 289 ft. Jackson: WBJJ 104.5 NO-CX-DE Jonesville: KTYX 105.1 CC (NS)

Minden: KSYR 95.7 XG: 32-37-50 / 93-16-56 Natchitoches: KDBH 97.7 QG to 97.3 C3, 25 kW, 312'

MAINE:

Freeport: WMSJ 89.3 LC

Kennebunk:WBQQ99.3 adds Super classical (&) Portland: W281AC 104.1 NS-50w; WMPG 90.9

MARYLAND:

Morningside: WPGC95.5 drops Ed Lover & Dr. Dre

MASSACHUSETTS:

Amherst: WFCR 88.5 NC to 13 kW, 968', RX Milton: WMLN 91.5 XG: 42-14-28 / 71-06-52

New Bedford: *NS 88.1 AF

MICHIGAN:

PMNEW5

Brooklyn: WKHM105.3 FC to adult cont.
Caro: WIDL 92.1 RA with classic rock (&)
Detroit: WMXD 92.3 PG< 45 kW, 479 ft, DA
Grand Rapids: WFGR 98.7 adds Super - classical (&)
Lansing: WJIM 97.5 NC to 45 kW, 593', RX

McMillan: *** 102.3 PA: add class C3
Sault Ste Marie: ***93.9 PA: add class C3
Stephenson: WFON106.3 NO-RE

MINNESOTA:

Bemidji: *NS 95.5 AF

Bemidji: K234AA94.7 NS-50w: KAXE 91.7 Duluth: KTCO 98.9 XG: 46-47-27 / 92-06-59

Park Rapids: *NS 92.5 3.2 kW, 443 ft. Rochester: *NS 88.7 250w(v),25w(h), 531' St.Charles: KLCX 107.7 NO-RE

Walker: *NS 101.9 6 kW, 328 ft.

MISSISSIPPI:

Fayette: WTYJ 97.7 NC to 6 kW, 328 ft, RX Liberty: *NS 107.7 25 kW, 328 ft. New Augusta: *** 101.7 GA: add class A Newton: WMYQ 97.9 PG< 8.7 kW, 551 ft XG: 32-21-57 / 88-54-50

Philadelphia: WWSL102.3 adds Jones AC (&) Tylertown: *** 107.3 GA: add class A

MISSOURI:

Kansas City: KOZN102.1 CC (ex KYYS) Kansas City: KYYS99.7 CC (ex KLTH) "KY" Owensville: "NS 95.3 AF

Pt.Lookout: KSMS 90.5 PC< 8.5 kW, 893', C2

Savannah: *NS 91.9 AF St.Joseph: *NS 91.9 AF Wheeling: KULH 105.9 CC (NS)

MONTANA:

Butte: KAPC 91.3 NO-RE

Choteau: K218CN91.5 5w(v): KGFC 88.9 Eureka: *** 93.5 GA: add class C3 Hamilton: *NS 98.1 AF

Helena: KUHM 91.7 NO-RE Kalispell: KUKL 89.9 NO-RE Plains: KPLG 91.5 CC (NS)

NEBRASKA:

Nebraska City: KESY 97.7CC (ex KOSJ)
Omaha: KSRZ 104.5 CC (ex KESY) "Star"
Orchard: KGRD105.3 inc.502',
XG: 42-20-45 / 98-25-05

Ord: KNLV 103.9 NC to 4.7 kW, GX

NEVADA:

Las Vegas: KEDG103.5 drops Mancow Muller Verdi: K241AK96.1 NS-?? KRZQ 96.5 Reno

W.Wendover: *NS 89.7 AF



NEW HAMPSHIRE:

Berlin: WPKQ103.7 PC< 4.8 kW, 3759', non-dir Gorham: WXLQ107.1 FC to adult rock (&)

NEW JERSEY:

Avalon: WCZT 94.3 adds ABC AC (&)
Dover Twp: WWNJ 91.1 NC to 50 kW (v), GX
E.Orange: WFMU 91.1 NC to 1.5 kW, 492', RE
Hazlet: WCNJ 89.3 may go top 40, "C FM"
Manahawkin: WNJM89.9 NO-RE

Trenton: WNJO 94.5 CC (ex WCHR), FC to oldies

Villas: WFNN 98.7 adds JRN classic rock (&)



NEW MEXICO:

Alamogordo: KNMZ103.7PC> 6 kW, -39 ft. Carlsbad: *NS 106.1 50 kW, 318 ft. Corrales: KSVA 95.1 increase to 433'

XG: 35-04-04 / 106-46-46 Kirtland: *NS 102.9 100 kW, 1007 ft. Maljamar: KWMW105.1 dec. to 924', C1

XG: 32-52-50 / 103-41-01

Raton: K216DQ 91.1 NS-250w(h): KRCC 90.5 CO

Raton: *NS 96.5 AF

Raton: *NS 97.7 AF

Taos: KTAO101.5 OSA to C1, 1050w, 2824 ft

XG: 36-14-48 / 105-38-15

NEW YORK:

Albion: *** 102.1 PA: add class A Amsterdam:WBKK 97.7 adds Super - classical (&)

Arlington: WRRB 96.9 CC (ex WDSP)
Brockport: WASB105.5 NO-RE

Honeoye Falls: WRCD 107.3 PA: to S.Bristol Twp, NY class A

Newburgh: WGNY103.1 PC> 6 kW, 279 ft, DA XC: 41-28-25 / 74-08-22

New York: WBIX 105.1 CC (ex WNSR), FC to hot a/c "Big"

Ogdensburg: WZEA98.7 NO-GE Poughkeepsie: W292CM 106.3 NS-??

watts, WXHD 90.1 South Bristol: WNVE 95.1 PA: to Honeoye Falls ,cls B

Sylvan Bch: *NS 100.3 6 kW, 328 ft. Truxton: *NS 88.7 100 w, 220 ft.

Watertown:*NS 90.1 AF NORTH CAROLINA:

Apex: W299AP107.7 NS-38w: WBFJ 89.3 SC

Asheboro: WWMO89.5 NO-RE Aurora: *NS 104.5 6 kW, 328 ft. Biltmore Forest: WZLS 96.5 RA with rock

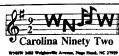
(Asheville) (see notes)

Burlington: WKXU101.1 CC (ex WPCM) "Kix" Creedmoor: W256AH 99.1NS-55w: WBFJ 89.3 SC

Goldsboro: WKIX 96.9 CC (ex WKTC)

Henderson: W299AO 107.7 NS-55w: WBFJ 89.3 SC

Hertford: WFMZ104.9 NW, cont. Christia



North Carolina:

Lizard Lick: W257BH 99.3 NS-?? w: WBFJ 89.3 SC Maxton: W275AH102.9 NS-?? w: WLPG 91.7 SC Nags Head: WNHW92.3 OSA to 92.3, 18 kW, 384 ft XG: 35-50-49 / 75-37-19

Pinetops: WKTC 95.5 CC (ex WEQQ), FC to country "Katie country"

Raleigh: WBBB 96.1 CC (ex WKIX) FC to rock "96 Rock"

Raleigh: WCPE 89.7 NC to 1187', C, DA, RE

NORTH DAKOTA: KFBN 88.7 LC Fargo:

OHIO:

Dayton: WGXM 98.1 RA with variety Gibsonburg: WIMX95.7 adds ABC urban AC (&) adds Tom Jovner (Toledo)

Marion: WOSB 91.1 XG: 40-41-04 / 83-15-24 Marysville: WKFX105.7 CC (ex WHQK) McArthur: WYPC 98.7 CC (ex WCLX)

Milford: WAQZ107.1 PC< 2.8 kW, 866 ft, B1 XC: 39-06-59 / 84-30-07

University Hts: WJCU 88.7 CC (ex WUJC)

OKLAHOMA:

Ardmore: KACO 98.5 QC from 96.5, PC> 14 kW now C3, 341 ft, XC: 34-10-56 / 97-05-01 Bethany: KNTL 104.9 FC to sports (OKC) K247AH97.3 on air // KLVV 88.7 OK Guthrie: Idabel: *NS 102.9 AF

McAlester: *NS 91.9 1.950w. 246 ft. Okmulgee: KCFM 94.1 adds Super - classical (&) Shawnee: KQCV 95.1 CC (ex KABH), NO-RX Wagoner: KRQZ102.1 FC to classic rock (&)

OREGON:

Central Pt: K216DR91.1 NS-?? w: KLVN 93.3

Florence: *NS 88.1 AF

Hermiston: KQFM 99.3 FC to oldies (&) (Pendleton) Milton-Freewater: KTHK 97.9 NC to 20 kW, RX Talent: K209CP 89.7 NS-?? w: KLOV

PENNSYLVANIA:

Boalsburg: WBUS 93.7 LC

WFGO 94.7 PG> 1.7 kW, 613 ft.

Red Lion: WTHM 96.1 FC to country // WIOV 105.1 WPHD 94.7 PC> 12 kW, 482 ft, DA, B1

XC: 42-03-43 / 77-21-38

SOUTH CAROLINA:

Camden: WPUB102.7 QC from 94.3, PC> 6 kW, 298' Dillon: *NS 90.5 AF (AFA)

Mt.Pleasant: W211AX90.1 NS-10w(v): WPCS 89.5 FL Murrell's Inlet: WHGB 88.3 NO-RX

SOUTH DAKOTA:

*NS 94.3 100 KW, 1643 ft.



TENNESSEE:

Belle Meade: WNPL106.7 noted testing (Nashville) Cookeville: W265BC 100.9 NS-250w: WKXD 106.9

Hohenwald: WAUO90.7 PG< 500 w.

Jamestown: WCLC105.1 NC to 2850w, 476', GE Nashville: WLAC105.9 FC to classic rock, adds

John Boy & Billy WAUV 89.7 PG 4.3 kW, 394 ft, C3 Ripley:

XG: 35-46-31 / 89-28-18

Springfield: WDBL 94.3 FC to country (// WDBL-AM 5a-12n), Americana (// WYYB 93.7 12n-7p), and (urban 7p-midnight)



TEXAS:

Abilene: *NS 90.5 AF

KPEZ 102.3 adds John Boy & Billy Austin: Bastrop: KYCM 88.5 4 kW (v), 308 ft, DA,CC(NS)

Bastrop: KGSR107.1 PC< 39 kW, 499', C2 Benavides: *** 98.7 XA to add class A

Benavides: KXTM107.7 XA: to C2 - Bruni, TX Big Spring: *NS 91.5 250w, 331 ft. (AFA) Bridgeport: KBOC 98.3 PC> 6 kW, 226 ft.

Brownfield: *NS 88.5 AF Brownwood: *NS 88.5 AF Caldwell: KLTR 95.1 NO-RE Callisburg: *NS 91.9 AF

Conroe: KKHT 106.9 NC to 1899', XC, RE Corpus Christi: KBSO 94.7 XA: change from C3 to C2 KKKK 101.3 CC (ex KXXL), FC to religion Daingerfield: KKLK106.9 PA: to C3: Ore City, TX

KERA 90.1 will run BBC overnights Dallas: (after midnight, but after 2am on Monday)

Del Rio: K209BX89.9 on this freq. not 89.7 (WAFR) Floresville: KRIO 94.1 PG> 40 kW, 548 ft.

Gainesville: KECS107.9 NO-RE

Ganado: KZAM104.7 NW. country "KZ 105" Gatesville: KRYL 98.3 FCto dassicrock (&) (Killeen)

George West: *** 93.5 GA: add class C3

Harlingen: *NS 89.9 AF

Hebbronville: *NS101.7 3 kW, 328 ft.

Henderson: KDVE 99.9 RA with Real Country (&) Ingleside: KCCG107.3 CC (ex KAHX) "Corpus

Christi Gold"

Jacksonville: KLJT102.3 FC to cont. Christian (Tyler) CC (ex KSIZ)

Jefferson: KJTX 104.5 PC> 2.3 kW, 531 ft,

XC: 32-49-23 / 94-28-32

Junction: KAHO 93.5 noted on the air. Kerrville: KBAB 88.7 CC (NS)

McCook: *NS 91.5 2.6 kW, 351 ft. Markham: KGFJ 92.5 CC (NS)

Mineral Wells: *** 95.9 PA: add class C1 Monahans: KCDQ102.1 inc. to 984', class C

New Boston: *NS 105.1 AF

New Ulm: KMIA 92.3 NO-RX

Odessa: KLVW 99.1 CC (ex KKKK), FC to cont. Christian "K-Love"

PMNEWS

Texas:

Odessa: KMCM 96.9 CC (ex KQIP) Palestine: KLIS 96.7 SG "Texas Country 96-7"

Pleasanton: K220GL91.9 NS-50w(v): KAWZ 88.9 ID Rio Grande City: KCTM 103.1 GA: to 107.5 - C2 Rockport: KZJM 102.3 CC (ex KXCC), FC to

dance-CHR "Jamz" (Corpus Christi) Roxton: *** 102.7 PA: add class A

San Antonio: KSYM90.1 PC> 5.7 kW Sherman: KNKI 96.7 PG> 92 kW, 2034 ft, class C XG: 33-26-13 / 97-29-05, CL: Flower Mound, TX

Sulphur Sps: KDXE95.9 FC to soft AC

UTAH:

Levan: *NS 99.1 AF

KBER 101.1 adds Bob & Tom Ogden: Richfield: *NS 97.5 32 kW, 3027 ft.



YERMONT:

WCVT101.7 adds Super classical (&) Stowe: VIRGINIA:

Crozet: WVAO102.3 adds Jones oldies (&) Deltaville: *NS 92.3 6 kW, 298 ft.

Exmore: *NS 106.1 AF

Willamsburg: WKLR96.5 dec. to 453 ft XG: 37-20-22 77-24-31, CL: Fort Lee, VA

WASHINGTON:

Bridgeport: K296ET 107.1 NS-2w(v).DA: KOMW 92.7 Chewelah: *** 102.7 GA: add class C3

KAPV 102.1 PG> 25 kW, 321 ft, C3

Kennewick: KBLD 91.7 LC Leavenworth: KLVH 101.1 LC

Manson: *** 94.7 PA: add class C3 KEYW 98.3 NC to 1214', C2, XC, RE Pasco: Yakima: KRSE 105.7 dec. to 544',

XC: 46-42-41 / 120-37-20

WEST VIRGINIA:

Beckley: WJLS 99.5 adds JRN Country (&) Berkelev Sps: WDHC 93.5PC 3 kW (cir)

Bridgeport: WDCI104.1 PC> 2450w Mullens: WPMW92.7 FC to CD Country (&)

Petersburg:WELD101.7 PC> 1.9 kW (h), DA Pt.Pleasant: WPCN 88.1 CC (NS)

Ravenswod: WMOV93.1 CC (ex WFYZ) Spencer: WVRC104.7 CX CP for 3 kW, 328 ft.

WISCONSIN:

Algoma: WBDK 96.7 FC to standards (&) WACD106.1 NW, adult standards (&) Clintonville: WJMQ 92.3 adds CD Country (&)

Cuba City: *NS 89.7 AF Kellnersville: *** 97.1 XA: add class A

Menomonee Falls: WFMR 98.3 add Super classical (&)

Two Rivers: *** 97.1 GA: add class A Whiting: WYTE 96.7 XG: 44-38-33 / 89-51-24

WYOMING:

Casper: KASS 106.9 CX CP for 1765', XC

Pinedale: KPIN 101.1 LC U.S. TERRITORIES:

PUERTO RICO:

Carolina: WAHQ107.7 NC to 12 kW, 2758', GE

VIRGIN ISLANDS:

Charlotte Amalie: *NS 93.1 NO-GE Frederiksted: WAXJ103.5 NO-GE, CC (NS)



CANADA

ALBERTA:

Banff: CBPH101.3 QG to 101.1

Banff: CHFM 99.3 wants PG> 210 watts Bonnyville: *NS 98.7 3.88 kW. // CHFA 680 Calgary: CJSI 88.9 wants PG< 19 kW, CC (NS)

Ft. McMurray: CJOK1230 QG to 93.3, 10.7 kW

BRITISH COLUMBIA:

Ft.St.John: CHRX 98.5 PG> 50 kW, XG Metochin/Sooke: *NS99.5 38 w // CBC Victoria

Victoria: *NS 90.5 3.190w; CBC Whistler: *NS 92.3 app for 47w // CFOX 99.3

MANITOBA:

Winnipeg: CKMM103.1 FC to CHR "Hot 103"

NEW BRUNSWICK:

Grand Falls: *NS 93.5 NS 5.3 kw wanted // CJCJ 920, with 2.5 hours/wk of local ads

Rogersville: CBAF ?? NO-CX-DE St. John: CHSJ 94.1 QC from 700, now 50.4 kW

St.John: CJYC 98.9 PG< 8.2 kW, XG

NOVA SCOTIA:

Antigonish: CJFX 580 granted 98.9 / 1.9 kW, must go up in power and delete AM by August 31, 2004

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES:

Igaluit: *NS 89.9 10 w, monstly Inuktitut, with 7 hours of English a week.

ONTARIO:

Bracebridge: CFBG100.9FC to classic hits Hamilton: *NS 101.5 may be on the air

Killaloe: *NS 102.9 app 33 w

Kingston: CBCK107.5 many now relay CBO 91.5 Ottawa, rather than the CBL Toronto net.

Midland: CICZ 104.1 PC> 9170 watts

Neapan: *NS 97.1 app 50 w

CIDC 103.5 wants PG< 30.7 kW Orangeville: Penetanguishene: *NS 89.7 app 2.8 kW, // CBL 99.1

St.Thomas:CFHK103.1 FC to classic hits *NS 107.1 app 210 w.

"THE VOICE OF MUSKOKA"

(100.9 on your Tuner)

QUÉBEC:

Armagh: CFIN 103.9 wants PG> 1,390 w Chicoutimi: CBJE 107.9 wants 102.7, 30 kW Québec: CJMF 93.3 PC< 32.9 kW

Radisson: *NS 103.1 17 w. Sept-lies: *NS 94.1 1,250 watts

(CKCN 560 wants this, but at 4,880 w)

YUKON:

Whitehorse:

CHON 98.1

PG> 4261 w.



MÉXICO

CHIHUAHUA:

Ciudad Juarez: XHGU 105.9 SG "La Romance" Ciudad Juarez: XHH 100.7 SG "Majica Digital" a/c SS Nuveo Laredo: XHNOE 91.3 "Estereo 91 FM" **COAHUILA:**

Ciudad Acuna: XHRG 95.5 15 kW, "Estereo Vida" Ciudad Acuna: XHPL99.7 "R. Felicidad" Ciudad Acuna: XHHAC 100.7 SG "La Suavecita" La Fiera: XHSL 99.1 this station may be here now with 1kW, was very weak in Piedras Negras.

Monclova: XHMZI 91.1 100 kW "La Grande de Coahuila", "La Grande 91-1", gets out well Piedras Negras: XH?? 106.3 "Fiesta Mexicana", 15 kW Piedras Negras: XHTA 94.5 "Dinamica Auditiva" Piedras Negras: XHSG 99.9 "Cristal FM Estereo, La Suave Differencia", 10 kW

Piedras Negras?: XH?? 104.3 "Super FM" and "La Consentida"

Piedras Negras: XHRE105.5 SG "Radio Ensueño" Piedras Negras: XH?? 106.3, talk // 99.9 XHSG Piedras Negras: XEPN 107.1 noted // XHPC 107.9 "La Estation de Amor"

Piedras Negras: XHPC 107.9 SG "Super Estelar" Zocalo: XHCDU92.9 SG "Super-Estelar 92.9",3kw **GUANAJUATO:**

Celava: XERE 88.1 5 kW, "La Comadre" // 920 Leon: XHXV 88.9 3 kW, "Radio 13" // 1290 XHML 90.3 60 kW, "Stereo Vida" Leon: Guanajuato: XHFL 90.7 // XEFL 1500 Leon: XHLTO91.1 20 kW, "GOB EDO" San Miguel Allende: XHSML 91.3 3 kW, "GOD EDO"

Leon: XHOI 92.3 20 kW. "Stereo OI" Irapuato: XHNY 93.5 40 kW, "Sonorama 93" XHRPL93.9 1 kW, "La Poderosa" // 1270 Leon:

XHJTA 94.3 25 kW, "Stereo Arnistad" Irapauto: XHNH 95.1 36 kW, "Golden Hits" Irapauto: XHPQ 97.5 50 kW, "Stereo Amistad" Leon: Leon: XHLG 98.3 20 kW, "Romantica" Celaya: XHZN 99.3 1 kW, "Stereo Digital" Silao: XESD 99.3 "R. Actualidades" // 1530



Guanajuato:

Leon: XHSO 99.9 90 kW, "Stereo Rey" Guanajuato: XHJUA100.7 20 kW "GOB EDO" Guanajuato: XHLVO101.5 10 kW "Fiesta Mexicana" XHLVO101.5 30 kW, "Extasis Digital" XHOO102.3 50 kW. "Fiesta Mexicana" Leon: Leon:

XHGTO 103.5 10 kW, "La Nueva

Radio Cañon'

XHMD104.1 90 kW, "FM Globo" Leon: San Miguel Allended: XHMIG 3 kW, 105.9 "Stereo 106" Irapauto: XHITO106.3 5 kW, "Bonita FM" Celava: XHCGT 107.5 50 kW, "El v Ella"

NUEVO LEON:

Monterey: XHPJ 106.9 SG "Classic Mix 106.9"

TAMAULIPAS:

Nuveo Laredo:XHLDO88.9 // XHSOT 91.3 Soto La Marina

w/ "Sistema Estatal Radio Tamaulipas" Nuevo Laredo: XHLTN 94.1 "Super Estelar 94.1" (aren't these the calls for 104.5 Tliuana?)

Nuevo Laredo: XHBK 95.7 "Super 95" Nuevo Laredo: XHNLO 97.1 "Estereo Recuerdo" Nuevo Laredo: XHNK99.3 "FM 99, La Major

Estacion Grupera", MONO Nuevo Laredo: XHAS 101.5 "La Tamaulipeca" Nuevo Laredo: XHMW 102.3 "Estereo Vida" Nuevo Laredo: XH?? 104.9 "Radio Universidad" ment. "92.3" freq, // 92.3 Rio Bravo

PIRATE WATCH:

West Palm Beach: Two Spanish language pirate stations are reported: 88.7 "Turismo FM", with ads and Latin music (salsa, maregues), and 101.3 "Radio Latina".

 This month has to be a record for amount of Mexican information! Several people deserve thanks for their help! Fernando Garcia sent the extensive information on FM stations from the stateofGuanajuato. The source of his information is the national magazine El Universo de la Radio. ChipKellevreceivedtheinfoontheCiudadJuarez stations via e-mail and forwarded it along. The information from along the Texas border was taken from Glenn Hauser's e-mail "Run To The Border", a report from a recent trip Glenn made to that area. It is a comprehensive report of over 700 lines available to those interested in radio & TV from that area. Contact Glenn at ghauser@hotmail.com for more information. It goes into much more detail than I have here. Very interestingreport, Glenn!

 Yet another update to the situation in Asheville, NC on 96.5 (see recent FM News columns). On Friday 1/16/98, Biltmore Forest's WZRQ signed off 96.5. The following noon, Zeb Lee's WZLS recaptured that frequency. This case gained notorietybecause of GOP Senator Jesse Helms' public support of Lee. Biltmore is talking about an appeal, so this may not yet be over.

stations but did have a few FM affiliates.

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CIDR 93.9 (adult album alternative) and CIMX from the FCC, but they can sign on the air in the 88.7 (modern rock) the freedom to change for- meantime (the station has been silent for a few mat at will, without having to apply to the commission for approval. This is due to strong probably will not pursue it, according to owner competition from Detroit stations, and the need Rick Dames: "My preference is to move on, ... for flexibility to react to "frequent and sudden" and develop a new concept, market it, perfect it, format changes by stations across the river. In and kick (KZFM's) *** in the ratings". addition, license restrictions barring "speciality | Doug also heard mention on NPR on incident programming" have been removed (jazz, clas- involving Denver's KBPI 106.7, and the Super sical, news, talk, variety, etc.)

· More CRTC news from Bill Hepburn. Bill noted | Press-Gazette saying "Good Luck Broncos an item on their web page about a proposal to Frost Packers", with a hand signal for "We're exempt native radio stations from requiring a #1". Apparently, what no one noticed right away license to operate. The new rule would take was that when folded for insertion into the newseffect for communities with no other commercial paper, the ad depicted an obscene gesture and broadcasters. Although these stations would the caption became something unprintable! The not need a license, they would still have to paper was not pleased. I also heard that KBPI uphold CRTC guidelines. On the same topic, tried this in Pittsburgh the week of the AFC Doug Smith notes that these stations would still Championship game, but the Post-Gazette figneed a "broadcasting certificate" from the Cana- ured it out before it was too late. I believe KBPI dian "Department of Communication" (DOC). If has now also donated to a Wisconsin charity as you were unaware of this: The CRTC handles an "apology". decisions such as which applicant gets a frequency, etc. while the DOC regulates the tech- a listing of Wisconsin Public radio stations, by nical side of licensees. So these stations would programming type, provided by Doug Smith. still probably be assigned call letters.

 Doug also sends a correction about an item in KUWS last month's column. The multiple stations WHBM listed for each freq. in Toronto for digital radio WHWC are NOT competing applications. What I forgot is that each frequency can support up to five different programs. So each frequency can support all stations listed. Thanks for the clarification!

· Doug Smith notes that in an interview with WLBI Radio World, new FCC chair Bill Kennard con- WHA siders legalizing "microbroadcasting" This may NPR N mean the resurrection of the old "Class D" FM WHSA stations, possibly up to a power of 100 watts.

 From Doug Smith, word on an interesting web | WUEC site: Some of you may be aware of the remotely WHRM tunable R8 shortwave/MW receiver in Virginia. This month's ham magazine QST indicates WERN there is now a R7000 performing the same task | WGTD in suburban Washington, DC. If you think a nunID FM or TV DX reception might be from the Washington area. this could be a good way to ID it. The URL is: http://nihac.info.nih.gov/ listener/listener.html (Real Audio is required) Chip Kelley sends an item from the Internet noting that there is further controversy with the format change at 102.3 Rockport, Texas (now KZJM). The station tried the slogan "102.3 Jams". Competitor KZFM 95.5 sued for an injunction, saying that word is associated with their station "Z95".

 The Radio Aahs network (programming for | Judge Mike Westergren agreed, and issued a children) officially signed off the air for good on temporary injunction, restricting KZJM to using January 31st. This was mostly a network of AM the word only eight times per day, and not anywhere in their station slogan. The injunction · The CRTC has granted Winsdor, Ont. stations also requires the station to get new call letters weeks). This may be the last of this issue: KZJM

Bowl. KBPI bought an ad in the Green Bay

· While we're on the topic of that state, here is

NPR NEWS & IDEAS NETWORK: 91.3 Superior 90.3

Park Falls 88.3 Menomonie WHLA 90.3 La Crosse WRST 90.3 Oshkosh WGBW 91.5 Green Bay WL FM 91.1 Appleton WHHI 91.3 Highland WHAD 90.7 Delafield 930 Auburndale 970 Madison

WS & CL ASSICAL MUSIC NET:

88.9 Brule **IWVSS** 90.7 Menomonie 89.7 Eau Claire 90.9 La Crosse 89.3 Green Bay 88.7 Madison 91.1 Kenosha

WISCONSIN PUBLIC RADIO



TV NEWS

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Douglas E. Smith W9WI 1385 Old Clarksville Pike Pleasant View, TN 37146-8098 72777.3143@compuserve.com Non-commercial stationno: No Change

+/-: Channel offsets (plus,
z/n: minus, zero, and none)

: Digital TV station

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

St.	Ch.	ERP	HAAT	City; applicant	
AR	*46z	5000	339	Gosnell; Comm. TV Educ.	35-28-03N/ 90-11-27W
CA	28^	1000	401	San Francisco; KPIX [5]	37-45-20N/122-27-05W
OH	35^	65	288	Cincinnati; WLWT [5]	39-07-27N/ 84-31-18W
OH	28^	120.3	329	Lorain: WUAB [43]	41-22-45N/ 81-43-12W

KPIX-DT [28] has already been granted. Gosnell, Arkansas is near Memphis, and the new-station application specifies use of the existing tower of Memphis FM station WYPL.

CONSTRUCTION PERMITS GRANTED FOR NEW STATIONS

			Call/		
St.	Ch.	ERP	HAAT	City; applicant	
AZ	4 n	0.05	KSGI1	Beaver Dam; KSGI [4]	37-09-18N/113-52-48W
AZ	11+	1.58	54	Holbrook; Ch. 11 TV LLC	34-55-05N/110-08-25W
AZ	52n	17.6	K52A0	Tucson; KTVW [33]	32-14-56N/111-06-58W
CA	28^	1000	401	San Francisco; KPIX [5]	37-45-20N/122-27-05W
CO	21-	0.67	KXRM1	Canon City; KXRM [21]	38-27-12N/105-14-25W
CO	21+	1.17	KXRM2	Cripple Creek; KXRM [21]	38-45-17N/105-13-02W
CO	21-	0.83	KXRM3	Victor; KXRM [21]	38-42-50N/105-08-42W
MO	48+	1.16	K48FV	Joplin; B. J. Dykes	37-04-23N/ 94-32-54W
MT	34+	10.0	K34EX	Kalispell; J. Poulsen	48-30-22N/114-20-49W
MT	35+	10.0	K35EZ	Kalispell; M. Davis	48-30-22N/114-20-49W
MT	13z	5.00	588	Lewistown; Sunbelt Comms.	47-10-46N/109-32-05W
MT	42n	15.7	K42E0	Missoula; T. Sheldahl	46-47-49N/114-00-59W
NM	53-	0.79	K53FU	Clovis; B. Salgado	34-21-48N/103-12-27W
PR	46-	12.8	WIDP1	Las Palmas; WIDP [46]	18-01-59N/ 66-07-09W
PR	62 z	4.6	W62CW	San Juan; Telecable of PR	18-16-51N/ 66-06-38W
TX	55n	0.05	K55HV	Del Rio; J. Villareal	29-22-25N/100-50-06W
TX	68n	28.1	K68FU	Laredo; J.B. Salazar	27-31-14N/ 99-31-19W
WA	60n	0.62	K60FR	Northport; KHQ [6]	48-54-31N/117-52-04W
WI	+86	0.60	W68DJ	Hayward; S. Gardner	45-59-07N/ 91-32-00W

I believe the offset for KXRM-2 is an error and should be minus.

New-station	permits	expired,	dismissed, e	<u>:tc.:</u>

1164	Scatton permat	s empired, di-	*****	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , 	
AZ	Holbrook	11(4 apps)	AZ	Sells	36
ΑZ	Tucson	54			
ΑZ	Yuma 24,26,30	38,46,48	CA	Coachella	23
CA	El Centro	56 (TBN)	CA	La Jolla	64
MO	Branson	58	MT	Missoula	42
NM	Clovis	53(3 apps)	TN	Clarksville	57
TX	Del Rio	14	TX	Laredo	51
TX	Midland	53 (3 apps)		

APPLICATIONS TO CHANGE EXISTING FACILITIES

St.	<u>Ch</u>	ERP	HAAT	Call	City
AR	29+	nc	266	KHOG-TV	Fayetteville
MT	12z	243	711	KTVH	Helena

APPLICATIONS TO CHANGE CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

<u>st.</u>	<u>Ch</u>	ERP	HAAT	Call	City	
CA	49+	39.0		K49DD	Sacramento	38-39-49N/121-20-52W
CA	62+	27.9		K62D0	Sacramento	38-38-35N/121-05-51W
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APPLICATIONS TO CHANGE CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

St. FL MS	<u>Ch</u> 5+ 69z	3.0 2.4	HAAT	Call City WOCX-LP Fort Pierce W69DY Tunica	
NJ	49-	21.7		W68CV Camden	40-04-59N/ 75-10-56W
NV	43z	5.1		K15EP Las Vegas	
ОН	18+	7.7		W18BP Lima	
QU	46	33.0	nc	CKMI-TV-1 Montreal	
PR	52 z	274		WDZE Carolina	
ŤΧ	21-	26.4		K21DZ San Antonio	

CHANGES GRANTED TO EXISTING FACILITIES

St.	Ch	ERP	HAAT	Call	City	
AR	51z	13.9		K51ET	Batesville	
CA	44z	10.7		K44DT	Simi Valley	34-19-41N/118-35-48W
(fi	rom Sa	nta Pau	la)			
FL	22-	14.7		W22CE	Orlando	(from W14BX)
GA	67+	21.6		W67CI	Atlanta	33-54-59N/ 84-12-07W
(fr	rom Ro	swell)				
IN	48+	11.9		WKGK-LP	Kokomo	40-26-58N/ 86-04-57W
NY	67z	26.8		W67DQ	Penfield	43-02-10N/ 77-25-24W
(fr	rom W5	5AC, Ch	octon-	Avoca)		
SD	24n	26.145	5	KKRA-LP	Rapid City	44-02-48N/103-14-16W

Changes expired, dismissed, etc.:

L W15BQ Fort Pierce

WI WJFW [12] Rhinelander (change tower height)

CHANGES GRANTED TO CONSTRUCTION PERMITS

<u>st.</u> AR	<u>Ch</u> 36+	ERP 6.11	HAAT		<u>City</u> El Dorado	
AR	20z	9.66		W20BR	Montrose	33-18-08N/ 91-25-13W
	(fro	m Gree	nville	e, MS)		
FL	67z	5000	128	WPXP	Lake Worth	26-45-47N/ 80-12-19W
FL	61+	14.0		W61DD	Miami	25-46-19N/ 80-11-31W
KY	51-	3.21		W51CK	Talbert	37-11-34N/ 83-11-16W
MO	36+	15.7		K36EF	Columbia	
MO	38+	15.9		K38EO	Columbia	
NM	3z	100	126	KOFT	Farmington	36-41-48N/108-10-39W
	(fro	m Gall	ap)			
OH	18+	7.7		W18BP	Lima	
TX	62+	17.8		K62FR	New Braunfels	29-43-51N/ 98-07-13W
	(fro	n chani	nel 32	2)		
VT	49-	nc		W49BU	Manchester	43-09-56N/ 73-06-59W

The following cha	anges have been	granted to the wire	ess cable system at I	Montrose, AR, 33-	8-08N/ 91-25-13W
W28BV	10.54KW	W31BL	10.68KW	W36CA	11.26KW
W42CG	??	W54CF	12.48KW	W56DP	12.61KW
W62CT	12.41KW	W66CW	11.72KW		

The following cl	hanges have been	granted to the wirel	ess cable system at	El Dorado, AR:	
K29DC 29-	10.7KW	K46DT	11.8KW	K50EK	12.6KW
K53FB	12.8KW	K57GF 57+	12.8KW	K59FJ	12.8KW
K66EX 66+	12.1KW				

TECHNICAL CHANGES ON THE AIR

AL	42+	WIAT	Birmingham	major power increase, add vertical polarization.
AL	33z	WCFT-TV	Tuscaloosa	major power & tower height increases,
				move 34km NNE.
CA	68-	KNLA-LP	L.A.	move 54km ENE from Calabasas, major
				power & tower height increases, move
				from channel 38.
CA	9z	KIXE-TV	Redding	unspecified.
ΗI	13z	KHVO	Hilo	major power & minor tower height
				increases.

TECHNICAL CHANGES ON THE AIR

NC 47+ WRPX Rocky Mt. major tower height increase.
PA 27- WHTM-TV Harrisburg add vertical polarization, go

directional, minor power decrease and tower height increase.

I'm afraid I've had to delete LPTV info again in this section. The only significant LPTV change this month was the move of W34AG Rome, GA to channel 22 (W22CD) Roswell.

NEW STATIONS ON THE AIR

Call:	Ch:	Location:	Power & HAAT:	Coordinates:
K30EU	30-	Alturas, CA	1.8KW	41-32-24N/120-21-09W
K26C0	26z	Redding, CA	37.8KW	40-39-06N/122-31-32W
		Melbourne, FL	7.03KW	28-08-14N/ 80-42-11W
		Naples, FL (TBN)	37.2KW	26-12-12N/ 81-48-54W
W36CG	36-	Evansville, IN	17.0KW	38-03-49N/ 87-42-36W
WKNT	40+	Bowling Green, KY	776KW/244m	37-02-10N/ 86-10-20W
K31E0	31n	Mora, NM (KNME [5])	1.23KW	35-57-39N/105-21-13W
			6.0KW	18-18-51N/ 67-11-30W
K50EI	50n	Ballinger, TX (TBN)	7.38KW	32-01-55N/ 99-46-29W
K53EN	53n	Temple, TX (TBN)	41.0KW	31-28-00N/ 97-11-14W
K26ES	26+	Casper, WY (KFNB[20])	904 watts	42-44-37N/106-18-31W

WKNT [40] has been operating under a CP for several (5 or more!) years. They've finally received their operating license.

STATIONS DELETED/DISMISSED/ETC

OTTITION O DELECTED	DIDIVIDUED/ETC.	
AZ: K07VD	IA: K46ES K54FJ K55HG	OK: K17EB K31ER K67GV
CA: K25FT	LA: K55HJ	PA: W40BG
CO: K15EO K18EQ K25FJ	MI: W52CG	SC: W65DB
K36EB K57GT	MN: K67GK	TN: W28BU W52CM W56DM
FL: W59CY	MO: K36EF	W58CT
GA: WDNN-LP [43]	NC: W47CA W51CP W55CI	TX: K17DZ K17EA K40EV
W47BY W61CU W65DH	W57CM W59DA W61CX	K64EY
HI: K40FC K41DZ K51EM	W65DG W69DN	WI: W55CN
K57HJ K63FE	NM: K20FI K38EP K50EO	
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CALL CHANGES

Was:	Location:	Now:	New [9]	Havre, MT	KBBJ
WBMG [42]	Birmingham, AL	WIAT	New [13]	Lewistown, MT	KBAO
K45ET	Cathedral C.,CA	KPSP-LP	WFAY [62]	Fayetteville, NC	WFPX
KRAG [61]	Porterville, CA	KPXF	WAWO [38]	Greenville, NC	WEPX
KCMY [29]	Sacramento, CA	KSPX	WGOT [60]	Merrimack, NH	WPXB
K20DH	Aspen, CO	KSZG-LP	WTJC [26]	Springfield, OH	WDPX
KUBD [59]	Denver, CO	KPXC-TV	New [31]	Elk City, OK	KBCA
WHAI-TV[43]	Bridgeport, CT	WIPX	KWBF [32]	Salem, OR	KBPX
WTWS [26]	New London, CT	WHPX	WPTT-TV[22]		WCWB
W65DF	Fort Myers, FL	WLZE-LP	WK2X [28]	Cookeville, TN	WNPX
WDVL-LP[41]	Jacksonville,FL	WPXJ-LP	WPMC [54]	Jellico, TN	WPXK
WCPX-TV[6]	Orlando, FL	WKMG-TV	KTFH [49]	Conroe, TX	KPXB
WTLK-TV[14]	Rome, GA	WPXA	KHIM [55]	Conroe, TX	KTBU
KAPA [66]	Kaneohe, HI	KPXO	K020C	•	
KTVC [48]	Cedar Rapids, IA	KPXR		Nacogdoches, TX	
W51BU	Indianapolis, IN		New [6]	Vernal, UT	KBCJ
WNUV-TV[54]		WNUV	W17BR	Augusta Co., VA	WPMG-LP
		1	WVVI [66]	Manassas, VA	WPXW
WBSX [31]	Ann Arbor, MI	WPXD	WJNW [57]	Janesville, WI	WHPN-TV
WILV [43]	Battle Ck., MI	WZPX		•	

Yet again, the stations with "PX" in the calls are part of the new PaxNet network. Note that several of the Paxson stations have changed calls yet again, to a different "PX" call than they got the first time around. Why? Don't ask me! By the way, I noted WPXE [55] Kenosha, WI using their new call while visiting in Milwaukee in early February.

PROGRAMMING CHANGES

WABM [68]	Birmingham, AL	from UPN to independent.
K55FU	Escondido, CA	to 3ABN.
K29DX	San Diego, CA	to translate KRCA [62].
12 [44]	Cd. Juarez, CI	from Telemundo to ??
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PROGRAMMING CHANGES

K38EO K68BY WPXJ-LP [41] WTTV [4] WNDY [23] WTTK [29] WQTV-LP [46]	Colo. Sprs.,CO Jacksonville,FL	drops UPN, goes independent. from WB to UPN. WTTV [4] satellite drops UPN. WB affiliate sold to Murray State
	Dalhimana MD	University. from HSC to UPN.
WUTB [24]	Baltimore, MD Kansas City, MO	drops UPN, goes independent.
KSMO [62]	- '	• • • •
KDNL [30]	St. Louis, MO	drops UPN, now ABC only.
WSSN-LP [10]	Wilmington, NC	
K63BU	Gallina, NM	sold to KNME [5], PBS.
K67CE	Gallina, NM	sold to KRQE [13], CBS.
KMAZ [48]	Las Cruces, NM	
KUPN [21]	Las Vegas, NV	from UPN to WB. (expect call change)
WUTV [29]	Buffalo, NY	from Fox & UPN to Fox only.
WBUF-LP [39]	Buffalo, NY	to UPN. (translator of WNGS [67])
	Springville, NY	
WNGS [67]	Springville, Ni	to UPN.
WNGS [67] WNPA [19]	Jeannette, PA	to UPN.
		to UPN.
WNPA [19]	Jeannette, PA	to UPN.
WNPA [19] WCWB [22] KFDM [6]	Jeannette, PA Pittsburgh, PA Beaumont, TX	to UPN. to WB. drops UPN, now CBS only.
WNPA [19] WCWB [22]	Jeannette, PA Pittsburgh, PA	to UPN. to WB. drops UPN, now CBS only.
WNPA [19] WCWB [22] KFDM [6] KTMV-LP [8] K47DF	Jeannette, PA Pittsburgh, PA Beaumont, TX C. Christi, TX	to UPN. to WB. drops UPN, now CBS only. to UPN & Tejano music videos.
WNPA [19] WCWB [22] KFDM [6] KTMV-LP [8] K47DF KNWS [51]	Jeannette, PA Pittsburgh, PA Beaumont, TX C. Christi, TX C. Christi, TX Katy, TX	to UPN. to WB. drops UPN, now CBS only. to UPN & Tejano music videos. drops UPN, now Fox only. see KLDT [55].
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OTHER STUFF

Thanks to David Cox, Bill Hepburn, Jeff Kitsko, Chip Kelley, and John Lentz for information appearing elsewhere in this month's column. Jeff has a scan of the new WCWB [22] logo on members.aol.com/JJKitsko/tvg.html.

There hasn't been much news from Canada this month, but there was one surprising item. There will be no new national English-language networks north of the border, at least not any time soon. Global has stations or affiliates in all provinces except Newfoundland, and was widely expected to apply for a national network license; WIC (which has stations in B.C. and Manitoba and recently expanded its CHCH-TV to province-wide coverage of Ontario) was also believed to be interested in a network license. But neither company applied; indeed, Global filled documents against the issuance of network licenses. It looks like they consider their commonly-owned chain of independent stations a better idea.

Note that frequent skip target WCPX [6] Orlando has changed call letters. No reason has been given for the change, but my bet is that Paxson paid for the change so they could get WCPX for one of their affiliates. The station is still a CBS affiliate, and no other changes have been noted.

FORUM

Bill Hepburn, Brampton ON:

The January ice storm in eastern Ontario and Quebec seems to have temporarily cost SRC ("French CBC") some of its stations.. Bill's local SRC affiliate CBLFT [25] Toronto normally relays CBOFT [9] Ottawa. But during the storm, he noted CBLFT with a SRC ID listing Regina, Winnipeg, Edmonton, Vancouver, Windsor, La Tuque, Mont-Laurier, and Mont-Tremblant. Bill tags it an "odd" assortment of cities, and I agree! The latter three cities have SRC transmitters that normally repeat the CBFT [2] signal from Montreal directly off-air; presumably CBFT was off due to the icing.

FORUM

CBLFT was also noted carrying the cable "RDI" news channel, and with "SRC Atlantique" (CBAFT [11] Moncton). To my knowledge, CKWS-TV [11] Kingston, Ontario was the only TV station to lose its tower. I would assume power failures were the reason for the Montreal outage.

David Cox, Birmingham AL:

Shortly after Christmas, WBMG [42] fired its entire news staff and suspended its newscasts. Poor ratings were blamed. During the timeslots formerly occupied by news, David saw a countdown clock with the slogan "It's About Time". On February 5, the newscasts resumed, with a new staff, new set, and new call letters. Anchors are from Baltimore and West Virginia; weather staff from Orlando and The Weather Channel.

Also in Birmingham, WABM [68] is among the Sinclair-owned stations that have dropped UPN and gone independent. UPN told the *Birmingham News* a new affiliate will definitely be signed - but there are no unaffiliated stations in the market at this time. David speculates WDBB [17] might pick up UPN when it moves to Bessemer. Could be. WDBB is actually already licensed to Bessemer, but the tower is still where it was when it was licensed to Tuscaloosa, and I would imagine the signal in most of Birmingham leaves a lot to be desired.

Chip Kelley, Texas:

Chip has noted the KMAZ [48] affiliation change in the program schedules in the El Paso newspaper. He says XHIJ is still Telemundo for the time being, operating parallel to KMAZ much of the day.

Two religious stations are adding more WB programs beyond the WB Kids material. KNLJ [25] and KWHB [47] are carrying some of the "less racy" programs -- "Nick Freno", "7th Heaven", etc. -- though not necessarily at the "right" times.

In Texas, KLDT [55] has finally lost its license, and a new station has taken over the channel. Confusingly. the new station is also using the calls KLDT, and the same transmitter.. Programming, however, <u>has</u> changed. "Family-oriented" syndicated programs are aired from 3:30pm to midnight, though PSN home shopping does still fill the rest of the day. Reports are that the shopping will go away when contracts expire.

The owners of the new KLDT also own former all-news outlet KNWS [51] Katy/Houston, and the same programming changes have occurred at the Houston station. (in my opinion, a shame -- KNWS was an interesting & excellent service, though I'm sure also a very expensive one to operate.)

Frank Aden, Boise ID:

Idaho religious LPTV K22DX is now IDing as "KLCP". (the call letters in the FCC database have been changed to KCLP-LP) It's no longer 100% WorshipNet, but airs some old comedies like "Dobie Gillis". While looking up this call change, I was quite surprised to find an application has been filed to allocate channel 37 to Meridian, Idaho! (new members may not be aware, that FCC regulations prohibit the use of channel 37 by TV stations; it's been reserved for radio astronomy..)

Fernando Garcia, Monterrey NL:

One quick note from Mexico this month. The XHGC [5] network has begun inserting a new logo "bug" during programming. A 5 inside a star with rounded tips is supered over the lower right of the screen. The logo is removed during commercials.



Here comes another barrage of various changes. First - Court TV and H-TV are no longer in the clear. Daystar on S3 - 13 is religious - not totally infomercials. On Satcom 3 - delete 15 - Showtime - East 583 - is not Atlantic Satellite color bars again - NOT Court Galaxy 5 - 24 - NOW Showtime - East - VC2 from C-3-15 Enik 2 - Ku-Band - digital 326 - ABC - West 327 - CBS - West Feed 362 - Global Network 359 - ? 406 - Speed Vision 407 - The Golf Channel 431 - WGN - Chicago 432 - WPIX - New York 433 - KTLA - Los Angeles 461 - Viewer's Choice Pay-Per-View previews 462 - WTN - Women's Television Network 680 - Playboy Channel 795 - new unknown 851 - Chinese programming GE 1 7 - WPCB - ch 40 - Greensburg/Pittsburgh - Cornerstone Television - Ch 40 has been sold to a commercial broadcaster - what happens to Cornerstone? digital 607 - Outdoor Life 820 - WSUR???? - Miami??? hard to ID - Caracol mentioned frequently - thought this was in Colombia? 821 - Pax Net - Catholic religious hispanic 822 - vacant 823 - KWKW - Los Angeles Galaxy 7 5 - delete Fox Net West digital Golf Channel - forgot channel ocops! 602 - The Food Network 603 - International Channel 801 - The Box - 2nd feed 805 - Country Music Television 806 - BET on Jazz GE 3 21 - now - Fox Sports World COURTROOM TELEVISION NETWORK 22 - delete Americas Collectibles on Ku - non-digital -19 and 24 - ID's as PBS digital???????

One last item on the 4DTV receiver. Sometime during the first week of February - another chunk of generic sat designators was downloaded - for both C and K-Bands. That's all for now - see you in 30....'73's



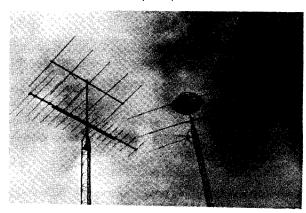


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Here's some photos from one of the DX masters, Jeff Kadet, Macomb, IL:

Equipment: <u>Big Tower</u>: Screened CM 7' dish @ 85' w/RDX Labs preamp, .500 hardline. Mosley ham tribander at 80'. Omnidirectional FM ant. at 75' w/.500 hardline. <u>Small Tower</u>: Cushcraft 5 el. 6M yagi @ 58', Delhi VIP-307 SR @ 48' w/RDX Labs preamp and RG-11.





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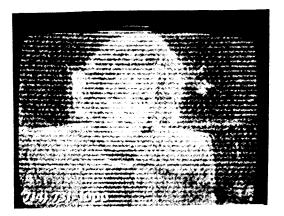




K62FH-62 Frost, MN 273 mi Tr seen 8/25/97 @0159 CDT "xltr of KEYC-12 Mankato"



KCSD-23 Sioux Falls, SD 368 mi Tr seen 8/25/97 @0159 CDT



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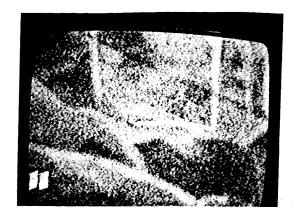
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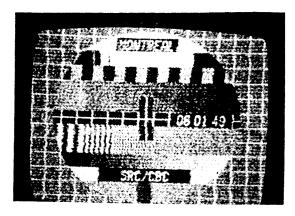


KVLY-11 Fargo, ND 578 mi Tr seen 8/25/97 @0516 CDT "Temps for Fargo-Moorhead and Grand Forks lower left"

KVRR-15 Fargo, ND 525 mi Tr seen 8/25/97 @0456 CDT



K34DG-34 Willmar, MN 393 mi Tr seen 8/25/97 @0501 CDT



More from Jeff next month.

Now some fantastic coastal Atlantic tropo from Roy Barstow, Teaticket, MA:

Equipment: 2 FUBA XC-391-D Yagi antennas, 30' AGL, Winegard PA-4975 preamp, .750 hardline, Tecknika tuner, 1970 Zenith set.



WUNU-31 Lumberton, NC 640 mi Tr seen 8/27/97 @0527 ET



WHMC-23 Conway, SC 702 mi Tr seen 8/27/97 @0530 ET

73's, Aff



The Fourth Quarter Report

December 1997

With the 1997 elections, ANARC will have one new appointee, effective in 1998. George Zeller will take a seat on the Executive Board, with Mark Meece and Harold Cones receiving re-election to their respective seats.

Did you realize that there are two bills before the U.S. Congress that if passed will severely affect every radio hobbyist in the United States?? For more information about these two bills, how they will affect you, and how to help defeat them, you should check out this website address: www.bearcatl.com/alert.htm

ANARC acknowledged the loss of longtime radio hobbyist Arthur Cushen this year. Arthur brought an awareness of shortwave radio to not only the Pacific Rim, but to the entire world. We send our condolences to his wife Ralda and the entire Cushen family. Deceased, Arthur Cushen, MBE 1920-1997

Do you own a computer? ... on the internet? ... checked out the ANARC internet site?? Questions, questions. Here it is:

http://www.anarc.org

As a WTFDA member, do you know what ANARC does for you? ANARC does these things, and more:

- 1. It bridges the 17 member clubs together under one umbrella and promotes an interchange of ideas;
- 2. It speaks in behalf of the North American radio clubs to broadcasters, equipment manufacturers and dealers, the news media and the general public;
- It maintains a code of standards which may be adopted by and for individual radio clubs;
- 4. It maintains resources and provides support for large-scale hobby-wide projects.

Don't forget that the ANARC Executive Board will be holding its regular annual meeting at the Winter SWL Fest in March 1998, held in Kulpsville, PA.

Now that you've read the latest ANARC news, let me introduce myself. My name is Jim Thomas. Some of you know me. I was happy to host the 1996 WTFDA Convention in Estes Park, Colorado. Now I feel very privileged to represent your club, WTFDA, and to be affiliated with the Association of North American Radio Clubs. I thank the WTFDA executive board for having the confidence in me to carry out this position. If any members have a query about ANARC, would like me to convey information to the Executive Board of ANARC, or have comments, complaints or compliments, I am easily accessible. If you have e-mail access, send me your message at:

oldwest@verinet.com

If you would care to write me, note the address below. In either case, if you would like to talk to me by telephone, I will give you my toll-free 800 telephone number. Just send me a note, requesting my telephone number.

LET'S GROW THIS HOBBY TOGETHER!



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Southern FM DX

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For DXers in AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, KS, KY, LA, MD, MS, NC, NV, OK, SC, TN, TX, UT, WV and Mexico

Pat Dyer - WA5IYX 5315 Silvertip Drive San Amonio, TX 78228-2744 http://nome.sw/beli.net/pjdyer/index.html pjdyer3@jung.com CST

Realistic TM-1001 tuner (two IF mod w/150 kHz filters) into Allied 426. 52 ohm step-attenuator box used to reduce local intermod/overload when needed. 6 element Archer antenna at 20' with rotor.

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11/8 Ms	9	1159 KLMP 97	SD	Rapid City, ID, wx, rel 103.9
1600 KSHE 94.7 MO Crestwood, area news 7		11/8 Ms		• • •
	7	1600 KSHE 94	МО	Crestwood, area news 785

The Leonids, at least here, did not live up to the expectations of many who are hoping for the return in a few years of something like the 1966 "storm." 73, Pat - WA5IYX

Fernando Garcia Apartado 30, suc. B Cuidad Guadalupe, NL 67181 Mexico fertrtvd@sdm.net.mx CST

Pioneer KE2700QR car stereo

1/11 Es 1630 KWGS 89.5 OK Tulsa, full ID, NPR 1631 KKLH 104.7 MO Marshfield, wx

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	1634	KTST	101.9		Oklahoma City, k, OKC ads, Twister
	1640	KGOZ	101.7		Gallatin, "Z-101.7," wx, Hwy 36
		KLIR	101.1		Columbus, "KLIR 101," wx
		KCIY	106.5		Liberty, calls
		KZBZ	104.9		Salina, calls, "Breezy 104.9"
		KBLS	102.5		North Fort Riley, "Sunny 102.5"
		KMTY	97.7		Holdrege, calls, "Mighty 97"
		KANZ	91.1	KS	Garden City, full ID, NPR
		KTNE	91.1		Alliance, full ID, NE public radio
		KSCB	107.5		Liberal, calls
		KVAY	107.3		Lamar, calls, EE-SS
		KZLS	107.9		Great Bend, calls
		KHYM	103.9		Copeland, calls, Christian
ĺ	1710	KHTIM	103.9	NO	Radio
i	1717	KCKK	104.3	CO	Longmont, area ads
	1721	KEXL	106.7	NE	Norfolk, calls, area ads
	1729	KIOS	91.5	NE	Omaha, NPR, wx
i	1730	KANU	91.5	KS	Lawrence, ID
	1732	KQKQ	98.5	IA	Council Bluffs, "Sweet 98"
	1739	KKCI	102.5	KS	Goodland, calls
İ	1743	KSOK	107.9	KS	Winfield, calls, wx. k
	1747	KFRX	104.7	NE	Lincoln, calls, area ads
	1752	KATT	100.5	OK	Oklahoma City, "The Cat," r
	1758	KCUR	89.3	MO	Kansas City, calls, EE-SS
	1759	KBUZ	90.3	KS	Topeka, calls, Christian radio
	1800	KMUW	89.1	KS	Wichita, full ID
	1800	KTGL	92.9	NE	Beatrice, ID, classic r, "Eagle"
	1809	KKRD	107.3	K\$	Wichita, calls
	1811	KKQY	101.9	KS	Hill City, k, "Y-102"
	1816	KJCK	94.5	KS	Junction City, calls, area ads
	1829	WBYZ	94.5	GΑ	Baxley, calls
1	2001	KYEZ	93.7	KS	Salina, k, "KY-94"
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1		XHMRI	93.7	YU	Merida, "Super Stereo," ads
J		XHEO	92.9	YÜ	Merida, "Solidaridad"
J	2005	XHMT	98.5	YU	Merida, "La Comadre," area ads
ı		XHMRA		ΥÜ	Merida, "Digital 99.3," area ads
J	This	opening	was		d since 11AM, 92.9 and
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from the Editor

at night, 73's Fernando



Some great Es around

the holidays! Had some skip here, but nothing up to FM.

93.7 were in all day with weak signals, peaked up

Check out my new website, FM DX Web! It's devoted entirely to FM DXing, with lots of special features. It's still under construction, but I hope to have it up and running full steam by April 1. More on FM DX Web in the April VUD.

See y'all next month!

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 **MARCH 1998** DEADLINE: THE 5TH LOG CUTOFF: 3 MOS. FROM POSTMARK

A small column this time around, but still better than last month's no-show (no reports were received). Looks like some of you have capatilized on an unusually high amount of off-season E-skip this winter (though many openings did not get above channel 6). The El Nino weather patterns also seem to have led to more trops being caught than during an average winter in the northern U.S. & Canada. Let's hear from you today! ...

STEVEN SOLOMON - P.O. BOX 101 - SAGAMORE, MASSACHUSETTS 02561 Equipment: Yamaha T-85 w/3-110 khz filters, Also: Antenna: Channel Master 4408 (Stereo Probe

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1012	country		GA	Marinez, r/M74-Sup	er 1033	ľ
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	WDEC					Ŀ
	_			Americus, Mix 94.7,		ľ
				Cayce, Kix 96,	1031	ľ
				Gainsville, Fox 97, old		1
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				Lake City, Gators	1246	l
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		105.3	GΑ	Macon, k	1161	
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1126	WYAK	103.1	SC	Surfside Bch, Y103	926	
1134	WZAT	102.1	GA	Savannah, Z102,alt.	1053	i
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	country			·	1241	
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NOV. 98 DX continued 22 TrS 1646 WCVR 102.1 VT Randolph, real entry 217 **DECEMBER 1997 DX 19 TRS** 0900 WPNH 100.1 NH Plymouth, clas. rock 168 29 Tr 0849 WEQX 102.7 VT Manchester, alt. 252 JANUARY 1998 DX 25 TrS 1024 WKLI 100.9 NY Albany, K100 223 1027 WRNX 100.9 MA Amherst, alt. 149 1100 WBYY 98.7 NH Somersworth, The Bay 129 30 Tr 0918 WRCI 107.7 NH Hillsboro, I-93, AOR 144



DAN CASHIN - 1335 HARRINGTON RD. - HAVERTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA 19083

Equipment: IF modified (5-150 khz), ST-G70 Technics tuner, Jerrold QFM-9 antenna LOCATION: Good hilltop near the intersection of PA Routes 3 & 320, in NE Havertown HAVERTOWN, PA NORMAL CONDITIONS

RECEPTION REPORT **WPEB** 88.1 PA W. Philadelphia WNJT 88.1 NJ Trenton WXPN 88.5 PA Philadelphia 88.9 NJ Burlington WBZC WAJM 88.9 NJ Atlantic City WWFM 89.1 NJ Mercer WRDV 89.3 PA Warminster 89.5 PA Harrisburg WDVR 89.7 NJ Stockton **WVIA** 89.9 PA Scranton-Wilkes-Barre 89.9 MD Elkton WOEL WRTI 90.1 PA Philadelphia 90.9 PA Philadelphia WHYY WVUD 91.3 DE Newark WESM 91.3 MD Princess Anne WRTQ 91.3 NJ Ocean City

91.3 NJ Trenton

WKDU 91.7 PA Philadelphia WNTI 91.9 NJ Hackettstown WVLT 92.1 NJ Vineland WARQ 92.3 MD Baltimore WXTU 92.5 PA Philadelphia WHTF 92.7 PA Starview WMGS 92.9 PA Wikes-Barre WPOC 93.1 MD Baltimore WMMR 93.3 PA Philadelphia WSBG 93.5 PA Stroudsburg WSTW 93.7 DE Wilmington 94.1 PA Philadelphia WYSP WCHR 94.5 NJ Trenton WDSD 94.7 DE Dover WRBT 94.9 PA Harrisburg WZZO 95.1 PA Bethlehem MXXM 95.7 PA Harrisburg WLEV 96.1 PA Easton

WNYE 91.5 NY New York

NORTHERN FM DX

MARCH 1992

<u>Dan Cashin's re</u>	eport continues
WWDB 96.5 PA Philadelphia	WMGK 102.9 PA Philadelphia
WLAN 96.9 PA Lancaster	WPRB 103.3 NJ Princeton
WBSS 97.3 NJ Millville	WDRE 103.9 PA Jenkintown
WPST 97.5 NJ Trenton	WAEB 104.1 PA Allentown
WOGL 98.1 PA Philadelphia	WYXR 104.5 PA Philadelphia
WUSL 98.9 PA Philadelphia	WRDR 104.9 NJ Egg Harbor City
WJBR 99.5 DE Wilmington	WDAS 105.3 PA Philadelphia
WODE 99.9 PA Easton	WJJZ 106.1 PA Philadelphia
WPLY 100.3 PA Media	WWMX106.5 MD Baltimore
WFMZ 100.7 PA Allentown	
WBEB 101.1 PA Philadelphia	WRKZ 106.7 PA Hershey
WKXW 101.5 NJ Trenton	WKDN 106.9 NJ Camden
WIOQ 102.1 PA Philadelphia	W297AD 107.3 PA Philadelphia (WRDV 89.3)
WRFY 102.5 PA Reading	WBYN 107.5 PA Boyertown
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Dan also mentions that a new, small, FM outdoor antenna was reviewed in the December 97 issue of Stereophile, on page 175. Steve Stone, the reviewer, gave a thumbs up on the antenna. It is the FANFAR FM-2G Outdoor Antenna, 56", 5 oz., and is \$85.00 with a limited 1 yr. warranty. Have any WTFDAers tried this out, in comparison to a Probe 9, or other "traditional" FM outdoor antennas? The comapny's address is Fanfare - P.O. Box 455 - Buffalo, NY 14225-0455. Their fax is 1-716-683-5421. Their web address is http://www.fanfare.com, and their e-mail is info@fanfare.com. Dan also invites us all to the ANARC Winter SWL fest near Philadelphia. Information appeared in last month's FM NEWS. If you want to attend, better hurry: By the time you read this, it won't be too far ahead!

WILLIAM R. HEPBURN - 35 LOCKWOOD RD. - BRAMPTON, ONTARIO L6Y 4T7

hepburnw@total.net, Equipment : modified JVC RX-707V Receiver, CM VHF Yaqi @ 47', 10 db RS amp.

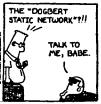
No routine tropo relogs under 473 miles. **NOVEMBER 1997** 17 MS 0103 KFUO 99.1 MO Clayton D, prev AU 651 0407 KXKC 99.1 LA New Iberia.c/s, k mx 1139 18_TR 0046 CHRI 99.1 ON Ottawa Christian w/Overnight Show 233 21 TR 2100 CKCB 95.1 ON Collingwood, "The Peak" "The Peak" 24 MS 0433 KTTS 94.7 MO Springfield, c/s 828



DECEMBER 1997 03 TR 0025 WXM70 162.5 WV Spencer NWR now w/automated voice 345 9 MS 1756 KOSU 91.7 OK Stillwater NPR Oklahoma Public Radio 1058 1759 KDTD 90.7 TX Plainview 1341 NPR, S NM/W TX mentioned 1808 KDGS 93.9 KS Andover Wichita ment 1008 1810 KGRW 94.7 TX Friona Latino relaying 1400 104.3 Borger 15 TR 2134 CICZ 104.1 ON Midland, wx o/WHTT 60 18 TR 0826 WWG51 162.45 PA Warren **NWR State College** 131 FEBRUARY 1998 08 TR 1859 CBCM 107.5 ON Midland ssumed - CBC back on // CBCK 77 10 TR 0730 WWG._162.425 NY Olean? 130







// NWR Buffalo, ex-162.50,162.525

WESTERN TV-DX

Victor Frank 12450 Skyline Bivd. Woodside, CA 94062-4541 email frank@sneezy.srl.com (650)851-7031

March 1998

Dennis Park Smith, 3703 Dixon Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93105-2419 (805) 687-7803

This report is for January 1998. There was a little Es here in Santa Barbara, and coastal southern-CA tropo on TV-FM (San Diego/Tijuana, up to 200 mi) was better than usual for this time of year. Following are conditions by date (all on indoor rabbit ears and bow-tie).

Morning, tropo fair; afternoon-night Jan. 1: poor. No tropo (rain Jan 2-3). Jan. 2-17: Es. ch. 2, 1720 to 1815 PST, only one Jan. 8: station, Spanish, all novelas (soaps), at least one was XEW-2-net produced. No ID. Es, ch. 2, noted 1900 to approx 1930, Jan. 11: record offer, ID 1901 KMID Midland TX. Approx 1000 miles. Jan. 17-21: Out of town. Tropo, rather suddenly good, afternoon Jan. 22: Jan. 23-24: Tropo fair. Jan. 25-26: Tropo good. Tropo fair and deteriorating. Jan. 27: Jan. 28: Tropo poor. No tropo (rainy conditions once again). Jan. 29: Jan. 30-Feb.1: Out of town, but still unsettled, probably no tropo.

Best of DX to All. Dennis

William Eckberg, 1032 Sterling Rd., Dixon, IL 61021

January 199	8		CST
07 tr 1900	KSAX	42 MN	404
08 tr 0005	KSAX	42 MN	404
10 Es 1815	KNAZ	2 AZ	1258
11 Es 1825	KENW	3 NM	912
15 Es 2000	KPRC	2 TX	893
2005	WEDU	3 FL	1031
2100	WBRZ	2 LA	784
27 tr 1755	KSAX	42 MN	404
31 tr 0400	WGKI	33 MI Cadillac	258
0405	WGKU	45 MI Vanderbilt	333

Saw Es on four occasions in January. Twice more an unidentified Mexican ch 2 was in. January 1 and 15 openings were through ch. 6. January 15 was the most extensive, but I didn't notice it until 2000, just before it peaked through ch. 6.

Finally logged two Michigan educationals on January 31. They run parallel and were on all night. Opportunity to log two low kW stations.

Jeff Kruszka, 5024 S. Braxton Ave., Baton Rouge, I.A 70817

Ja	nua	iry 199	8						CST
1	Es	1821	unid	4		SS	s wea	ak	
2	tr	0724	WATL	36	GA	ID			455
			WGNX	46	GA	٥١	er loc	al	455
		0727	WUPA	69	GA	w	eak		455
7	Es	1757	unids	3-5	i ,	S	S, we	ak	
8	Es	1756	unid	3		ь	rief		
10) tr	1030	WNGM	34	GA	, IC), like	a local	515
		2045	WUSF	16	FL	PB	IS, ID	@2100	550
		2111	WKCF	18	FL	ID			575
		2132	unid	66	w/ "	The	e Righ	nt Stuff"	
		2215	WWSB	40	FL	ID	, Sara	asota ad	555
		2219	WFTS	28	FL	AB	C 28		550
		2228	WJTC	44	FL	ove	erriding	local WG	MB 230
		2301	WMGTt	41	GΑ	N	BC		
		2352	WRBW	65	FL	log	jo low	er right	600
11	tr	0045	WFTX	36	FL	ID			620
			WBSF					,50	660
		0200	WTGL						645
	Es	1554	unid	4		TV	Azte	ca	
		1600	KVOA	4	ΑZ	ID			1175
		1606	XEPMt	2	CH	ΙH	nulle	d out W	BRZ-2!
		1608	KTVK	3	ΑZ	Pac	≻10 ba	sketball ga	ame1245
			XEJ						910
15	5 Es	1943	unid	3	CB	S, 4	I NBC	and AE	C
17	7 Es	1230	KTVK	3	ΑZ	"R	ebec	ca's Gan	den",
					3	lo	go		1245
			KPHOt	5	ΑZ	C	3S		
18	3 Es	1022	WRC	4	DC	ID), web	addres	s 985
			WTTG	5	DC	Fo	X		985
			KYW	3	PA				1120
		1037	WPVI	6	PA	. ID	, Actio	n News ad	1120
28	3 tr	2130	KVDA	60	TX	ID)		445
		2148	KXAN	36	TX	NI	ВС		395

Not a bad month! A good mix of E-skip and tropo for what is normally a quiet month. I finally got my first new channel 6 in quite a while after fiddling with the "search" tuning on my TV. I tried to fix my FM overload problems on that channel with a couple of Channel Master FM traps, to no avail. But the E-skip was strong enough on the 18th to make it unnecessary.

Pat Dyer, WA5IYX, 5315 Silvertip Drive, San Antonio, TX 78228-2744 pjdyer3@juno.com

Western TV DX Pat Dyer's report begins

Equipment:

NEW JVC HR-J400U VCR, Winegard CA-5254 VHF at 18' AGL; Antennacraft Y5-2 5 element channel 2 Yagi at 11' AGL; Antennacraft P-5 chicken-wired dish at 25' AGL (to feedpoint). All on rotors and RG-6.

January 199	98		UTO
12 Es 1659	wtwo	2 IN Terre Haute	
1759	WBTV	3 NC Charlotte	
14 Es 0000	unIDs to	Mexico through ch 4	
0031	XEW-TV	net ch 2 VBI text cycling	1
		through 3 or 4 message:	S .
0044	XHAP	2 Acapulco ID supered o	n top

Remember that this "VBI Text" is not encoded material like closed caption, but rather readily seen when the VBI is brought into screen view. Ironically, when the signal is best, the frame will tend to synch lock and "hide" it!

lock and "hi	de" it!
15 Es 2225	unIDs 2 to 4 Mexico, to SW
16 0025	still much the same as prior, no idents
0045	likely some US TV Es paths mixed in now
0100	ch 2-4 now to NE; fadesout ~0250
17 Es 0000	unIDs ch 2-4 into Mexico (SW)
	VBI with "cycling" XEW-net texts
1655	ch 2,4
1700	KIDK 3 ID Idaho Falls
1900	KVBC 3 NV Las Vegas
1900	KNAZ 2 AZ Flagstaff
1953	KTVK 3 AZ Phoenix -2100
2329	KGAN 2 IA Cedar Rapids
18 Es 0016	WBBM 2 IL Chicago
19 Es 0115	unIDs Mexico
0230	unIDs to Ch 5 until 0330
February 19	98 UT
12 Es 0028	WFMY 2 NC Greensboro
	WBTV 3 NC Charlotte

FM DX as early as 2301Z (2/11), traces of TV Es remained to approx 0230Z.

Danny Oglethorpe, P.O. Box 6688, Shreveport, LA 71136-6688

January 199	8		UTC
08 Es 1925	XHBS	4 SIN/SON	
2002	KVOA	4 AZ	1004
2023	KNAZ	2 AZ	1045
2020	KPHO	5 AZ	1065
2345	KASA	2 NM	753
11 Es 2238	XHIT	4 CHIH	778
2259	XHBS	4 SIN/SON	
	KPHO	5 AZ	1065
2359	KNAZ	2 AZ	1045
12 Es 0010	XHG	4 JAL	1003
0040	KTWO	2 WY	996
13 Es 2130	XEWO	2 AGS/JAL	

14 Es 0145	XHAGU	2 AGS XEQ-9; ID0159	896
15 Es 2258	XHFM	2 VER "Televisa Veracruz"	950
16 Es 0100	KGAN	2 IA	672
	WUND	2 NC	1031
0128	KTCA	2 MN	869
0220	WMAR	2 MD	1072
0247	WSJK	2 TN "2/15"	665
17 Es 1800	KVOA	4 AZ	1004
1815	KDBC	4 TX	746
18 tr 0725	WXXV	25 MS ID bars	309
	WMAH	19 MS	319
0730	WLOX	13 MS	319
Es 1532	WUND	2 NC Solid for an hour	1031
1632	WWAY	3 NC Floating	924
	WECT	6 NC Floating	924
20 Es 0248	WGRZ	2 NY ID in bar	1091
0315	WJBK	2 MI	904
21 Es 0028	YSR	2 El Salvador	
		"Tele Dos" News	1324
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Comments:

Had to replace the Centronics brand rotor that I purchased in 1996 from Grove. Replaced it with another Channel Master 9510A. The rotor from Grove was ruined because it leaked in rainwater.

Fernando Garcia, San Salvador 415, Rincon de la Sierra, Cd Guadalupe, NL, 67181 MEXICO

Equipment:

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

1800' ASL, No re-logs in the same month, only tropo 500+ miles.

January 10, 1998	CST
2030 WNOL 38 LA New Orleans WB38 logo bt right	694
WLAE 32 LA New Orleans WLAE calls bt right	
WGNO 26 LA New Orleans ABC 26 logo bt right	
WCCL 49 LA New Orleans HSN	688
WUPL 54 LA Slidell UPN 54	705
2045 WPMI 15 AL Mobil NBC //KVEO-23	838
KADN 15 LA Lafayette fighting, w/WPM	
WXXV 25 MS Gulfport FOX	764
WVLA 33 LA Baton Rouge NBC	633
2100 KADN-15 as local and \$	
KVHP 29 LA Lake Charles FOX	530
January 11, 1998	
0145 WMPV 21 AL Mobile TBN	842
WEIQ 42 AL Mobile Educ., SAP	825
WMAH 19 MS Biloxi MS Educ. TV	770
0745 KLPB 24 LA Lafayette LPB	567
WLPB 27 LA Baton Rouge LPB //ch 24	638
0800 WHBR 33 FL Pensacola under WVLA	838
WGBC 30 MS Meridian NBC News, ID	834
KLTL 18 LA Lake Charles //chs 24, 27	548
WIIQ 41 AL Demopolis APT, Barney	877
0830 WFSG 56 FL Panama City weak	929
WPAN 53 FL Fort Walton B. Rel., later Shopping	
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Western TV DX F. Garcia's report continues

	To my surprise at th		
	carries a Religious p	rogram in Spa	
0945 WMDN	24 MS Meridian PM	IK o/u KLPB	834
WDBD	40 MS Jackson FO	X, This Week	754
			532
,	33 LA Shreveport		
	24 LA Shreveport	LPB	616
KFXK	51 TX Longview		557
	39 TX Dallas	weak	518
	58 TX Dallas	TBN	518
January 16, 1	998		
1930 New Orl	eans 26, 32, 38, 49		
	36 FL Cape Coral	alaa balada.	4440
	HFOX-17 east in co		1142
	me New Orleans sig		
	ly weak signal on ch	15 30 and 30 to	easi
January 17, 1	990 44 VII Marida # /	VUDE 42	780
1445 XHUH 1500 XHTP	11 YU Merida \$, //	XEW-2	780
TOULKHIP	13 YU Merida ID,		780
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	on FM as chs 2-5 s		ie.
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	ng up to ne TX		
	31 LA Alexandria	Shopping	618
	66 LA Opelousas	TBN	599
	P 21LA Lafayette	VJN	592
0530 WIIQ	41 AL Demopolis		877
K39EL	39 TX Laredo	Rel. SS-EE	131
After ma	any days of trying to	get an ID, fina	ily i
	enmposed calls whe		
0545 K56DR	56 LA Baton Rouge	TBN // KLUJ-44	633
K55HA	55 LA New Iberia	//K46DG	596
0600 K46CR	46 LA Baton Rouge V	JN, a/u K46DG	645
	69 LA Church Poin		586
0615 WHOA	32 AL Montgomery A	BC, o/u WLAE	928
	44 LA Baton Roug		633
	30 LA Houma Wall St		
	P62LA Opelousas		600
Opening	g from Yucatan is sti	II productive	
	20 LA New Orleans Re	ol., N. Orleans Ph.	688
	36 MS Mccomb	TBN	710
1000 K49DE	49 LA New Iberia	TBN,	
	splashing W	CCL	596
January 19, 1	998		
2000 K32ERt	32 TX McAllen //K3	30FF, K67HC	
2100 WBHS	50 FL Tampa HSN	i, \$ at 2115	1116
2130 WTTA	38 FL St Petersburg	\$, Fulf ID, SAP	1116
WWWB	32 FL Lakeland B	ay Watch, \$	1135
	13 FL Tampa FOX		1117
tempera	iture 55, humidity96	%,barometer=	
44 13 W56CN	156 FL Venice Shoppin	g1-800-379-3298	1106

	January 20, 1998
	0100 WBSV 62 FL Venice Shop at Home 1107
	0115 Southwest LA
-	0130 WFTS 28 FL Tampa loc. out, \$, full ID 1116
1	0445 KFWD 52 TX Fort Worth Test Pattern 522
1	This opening to north TX marked the 600th day
1	with tropo opening to Texas (500+ miles) since first
1	log in July of 1991. No Florida DX at this time
	0500 KINZ 68 TX Arlington Shop at Home 518
	KERA 13 TX Dallas ID Bars 518
1	0515 KDFI 27 TX Dallas floating calls u/KLDO 518
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	KLDT 55 TX Lake Dallas Shopping 544
	0530 KWHB 47 OKTulsa Full ID 765
	Television with a Family Vision
	0537 KXAN 36, temperature 50, humidity100%,
	barometer=29.91
	0545 South and Central LA picking up
l	0600 WUSF 16 FL Tampa SAP dif. of MAIN 1116
	Florida UHF's returned
	WTOG 44 FL St. Petersburg o/u KLUJ 1116
	0615 WGCU 30 FL Fort Myers \$, a/u KLUJ K30FF 1144
	WBBH 20 FL Fort Myers \$, ID as NBC 2, wx 1144
	WWSB 40 FL Sarasota \$, area news 1108
ŀ	0645 WRBW 65 FL Orlando 65 logo bt right 1192
ļ	WBSF 43 FL Melbourne HSN //WBHS-50 1200
-	WTGL 52 FL Cocoa Rel. 1200
1	WBCC 68 FL Cocoa Educ. 1200
-	WACX 55 FL Leesburg \$, Rel. 1180
1	WMFE 24 FL Orlando SAP dif. of MAIN 1191
-	WOFL 35 FL Orlando FOX // WFTX-36 1191
ļ	0700 WXEL 42 FL West Palm B.Full ID, \$,blasting in 1238
	WFLX 29 FL West Palm B Full ID, \$ blasting in 1238
	WRMD-LP 57 FLTampa Spanish 1104
	0715 W52CN 52 FL Port CharlotteTBN o/u W??? 1126
	WRXY 49 FL Tice 1142
	0730 Had to leave
	January 28, 1998
	0530 Southwest LA
	2200 New Orleans 26, 32, 38
	January 29, 1998
1	0300 Gulf opening extending up to N. Orleans, B.
	Rouge and coast MS
	0530 dead conditions
	January 30, 1998
	1900 ch 5 strong, with unid bars to n-nw,
	-
	This seems to be new local lptv station, this will ruin
1	
	my DX on this channel. I'll have to say good bye to
	semi-local KRGV in Weslaco, TX and also Es skip
	DX barometer to check FM band
	Best opening was Jan. 20 with strong signals from
	central and south Florida

After a bad 1997 for tropo I can't wait to get into

Spring tropo openings.

73 Fernando

EASTERN TV DX

March, 1998

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LOCAL TIME UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

January 5th meteor shower produced for Bob Seybold thru Channel 20! I have seen bursts as high as CH-49 with a TV set (Buffalo or Saginaw TBN - not L.S.) but no more than one burst a week on UHF. To see what Bob Seybold witnessed is quite inspiring. I wonder if Digital TV will be conducive to UHF meteor scatter with its clear picture at weak signal levels.

Bob Seybold 1865 W. Main Rd., Silver Creek, NY 14136

November, 1997

27 Es 0100-0200

WBRZ 2 LA Baton Rouge KTBSTV 3 LA Shreveport WWLTV 4 LA New Orleans KJRH 2 OK Tulsa KSNW 3 KS Wichita and other UNIDS

December, 1997

09 Es 1800-1900 **KPRC** 2 TX Houston KBTXTV 3 TX Bryan KDFWTV 4 TX Dallas

WLBTTV 3 MS Jackson 10 Es 1600-1830

> **KJRH** 2 OK Tulsa 2 NE North Platte KNOPTV KSNC 2 KS Great Bend 3 KS Wichita KSNW

> > 2 LA

15 IL

Baton Rouge

Champaign

Decatur

Knoxville

Evansville

11 Es 1900-1945 WLBTTV 3 MS Jackson Little rock

WBRZ

WICD

KARKTV 4 AR **KDTN** 2 TX Denton 15 Tr 0300-0800

WAND 17 IL WBXX 20 TN **KDNLTV** 30 MO St. Louis WHSL 46 MO St. Louis WFIETV 14 IN

WEVV 44 IN Evansville WLEXTV 18 KY Lexington WTVQTV 36 KY Lexington WHOI 19 IL Peoria

WMBDTV 31 IL Peoria Springfield WICS 20 IL Lafayette WLFITV 18 IN WOSUTV 34 OH Columbus WWHO 53 OH Chillicothe

WPBOTV 42 OH Portsmouth

January, 1998 05 MS All Evening

KTBS

3 LA Shreveport KATC 3 LA Lafayette WPMI 15 AL Mobile KADN 15 LA Lafayette WHNO 20 LA New Orleans

Comments: Jan. 5th meteor scatter. Frequent MS bursts on channels 3 and 8, only open VHF channels. Also, another unid on 20 and indications on 16, 18, and 21. No evidence of Es or Trops on this date. (Nice going Bob! I'd love to see your equipment list. RM)

Roy Barstow P. O. Box 2488, Teaticket, MA 02536

Equipment: For M.S. Winegard Model CC-3123 2 10 El. Ants. cut for Ch-2-3- 1 Ant. Fixed, 1 Ant. moveable, 15' above ground, Titan II Amp, Cheap Co-Ax

December, 1997

03 Tr 1900-2300

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		WUNM	19	NC	577
		WUNJ	39	NC	660
		WSFX	26	NC	660
		W45BG	45	VA	. 455
		W36BK	36	VA	400
		WVEC	13	VA	455
		+ 15,27,33,	43	VA	455
08 Es	2330	CITO	3	ON	706
09 Es	0000	CHBX	2	ON	763
	0015	KDLH	3	MN	1120
	0030	CKPR	2	ON	1018
	1230-	1600			
		WTWO	2	iN	895
		KOET	3	OK	1403
		KARK '	4	AR	1272
		WTVF	5	TN	941
		WCBI	4	MS	1132
		WJXT	4	FL	990
		WEDU	3	FĻ	1153
10 Es	1030-	1630			
		WEAR	3	FL	1209
		WWL	4	LA	1349
		WBBM	2	IL.	875
		WCIA	3	IL.	936
11 Es	2215	KTVI	2	MO	1063
					27

13 Ms	0410		3	ΙL	3/4 CB	
	0425		3	IL	3/4 CB	
16 Tr	2000			NJ		240
17 Tr	0015	W36BK	36	VA i		400
		W36BJ	36	NJ		240
		WWAC	53	NJ		240
	0030			VA		455
	0000	W52AB		VA		410
		W23BA		NJ		188
		W63AM		VA		
4	0000					410
17 Tr	0800			VA		455
		W24B1		VA		455
		WYDO		NC		562
27 Es			2	FL		1209
	2015	WEDU	3	FL		1153
	2210	CUBA	2	T		
	2245	<u>CUBA</u>	3			1470
		TELE	REBE	LDE		
	2300		4	FL		1206
28 Es	1920		3	LA		1416
	2210		2	FL		1059
29 Es	1710		3	IA		1035
29 ES	1730		5	IA		
	1730					1182
		WJMN		MI		870
	2053			NC		660
30 Es	1030		2	ΑL		1112
		WEAR	3	FL		1209
	2015	WTWO	2	IN		895
	2030	KCTV	5	MO		1269
<u>Janua</u>						
02 Ms	0110	KYW	3	PA	R/S	265
	0126	WRCB	3	TN	R/S	909
	0558	WBTV	3	NC	R/S	715
07 Ms	0045		3	TN	R/S	1127
	0300		3	GA	R/S	1007
08 Ms			3	FL		1153
••••••	0140		4	NC	3/4 CB	607
	0634	WSAV	3	GA	R/S	883
	0004					003
10 Ms	0222	Promo				
				IL	3/4 CB	936
11 Ms			3	iL	3/4 CB	1007
		WWAY	3	NC	3/4 CB	660
12 Ms		WSAV	3	GΑ	R/S	883
14 Ms		WWAY	3	NC	3/4 CB	660
	0523	WBTV	3	NC	R/S	715
16 Es	2245	KYTV	3	MO		1226
	2300	WREG	3	TN		1127
		KTVO	3	MO		1118
17 Gw		WBPX		MA		
		Call Cr				
Ms	0242	WSIL	3	IL	3/4 CB	1007
	0350		3	IL	3/4 CB	
	0455					936
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19 Ms	ANU I	OTO	eπers	B/K (maybe W	(ISC?RM)
10 1913	0107	CITO		ON	T	
	0454	BBS-M				
24 **-	0451	WAVE	3	KY		
21 Ms	U505	WCIA	3	IL		936
		News				

The last time I tried Ms, the VCR was yet to be invented. Willis Monk, Hi.

Not only does KYW PA come in, but also WFSB-3-CT at 114 miles in also on Ms. It takes me from 30 min. to 2 hrs. to review a tape. If the channel is open, one can zip through in 30 min. Every tape I get hits on it, but most are from 24 hr. stations. Out of 12 Ms tapes reviewed, there was Es on about 4 or 5 of them. And this Es comes up for about 10 seconds or more and quits. Also, on a good Ms burst, you may receive 2 or more stations. These long Ms bursts that produce many stations at once acts very similar to the quick Es that comes in at times.

On most VCR's going from frame to frame, a three in a logo will change shape. I have a tree in front of one of my ants and I will get 2 or 3 frames of an ID and next 2 frames zilch and then maybe 1 to 3 frames later. So a clear horizon will net better results, My house roof now is full of ants and my wife now calls me, 'The Tin Man.'

Roy, could the "zilched" frames be caused by a slow polarization shift? ("Slow" compared to the extremely fast shift of circular polarization.) RM

Jim Ayers, 2497 Wind Forest Ct., Norcross GA 30071 email - Jimayers@raider.net

Equipment: Panasonic 19" TV; CM Quantum 1110 VHF at 30ft; Antennacraft P-7 UHF dish w/ Winegard PA-4975 preamp at 38 ft (feedpoint); Alliance HD-73 rotor; RG-8 coax; Hi-Q traps for high-band VHF plus UHF (still need low-band VHF model!)

November, 1997 new trop (EST)								
07	1425	WUXP	30 TM	V 217				
		(local o	ff-air)					
18	0756	WBXX	20 Th	N 146				
27	0918	MJMJ	16 S0	222				
	0924	WHNT	19 AL	. 143				
	1000	WOWL	15 AL	. 209				
Dece	ember, 1	997 new t	rop (EST))				
09	2048	WABM	68 AL	. 154				
	2055	WJSU	40 AL	. 93				
		(audio d	ver local	LPTV)				
10	0735	WHIQ	25 AL	. 143				
		18 new trop						
18	1237	WZDX	54 AL	. 139				

Slow season for DX. Saw no skip last year (first year since '73). Hope '98 is an improvement. 135 loggings since August. Only two openings of interest, both in October. It took four weeks to log 100 stations, five YEARS to get that many on my first log.

William R. Hepburn, Brampton, ON, CAN - hepburnw@total.net

Equipment: Panasonic PC-29XF40R TV & Icom IC-R100 Scanner, CM VHF & UHF Yagis @ 47', 10 db RS VHF & 28 db Anteco UHF amps

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12 Ir		WSYX	6		-				KSNW	3	KS	1011
		WWMT	3	MI	T			2106	KTVI	2	MO	655
28 Es		WESH	2	FL		1020			KJRH	2	ok	992
	0416	muf	5						KFOR	4	OK	1093
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02 Tr	2144	<u>WHIO</u>	7			356						
		Dayton (KBW)		<u>Janua</u>					
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		Charlest	on-F	luntin	gton (ABC +	+offset)	12 Es	1858	KUSD	2	SD	854
		NEW V	HF-I	11 RE	CORD			1916	KSNB	4	NE	963
03 Tr	0025	WSFJ	51	ОН		290		1917	KGAN	2	IA	619
		(now w/V	Vors	ship)				1941	KNOP	2	NE	1079
08 Es	2344	muf	2						KMTV	3	NE	842
09 Es	1725	KSNC	2	KS		1051		1943	KLNE	3	NE	1033
	1727	KSWK	3	KS		1183		2000	KQTV	2	(KS)	819
	1728	KAMR	4	TX		1305		2011	muf	6	, ,	
	1804	KFOR	4	OK		1093		2031	KPRY-4 or	KLI	3Y-4	
09 Es	1810	muf	94	.7			19 Es	2117	muf	4	SSW	
	1826	KWGN	2	CO		1335						
	1829	KDTN	2	TX		1203						
		KMID	2	TX		1457	Editor	s Repo	ort			
		Midland-	_		ABC Nx)							
	1847	KSNW	3	KS	1201111	1011	Janua	rv. 199	8			
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		KJRH	2	ОK		992			WBAY	2	WI	985
10 Es		WBRZ	2	LA		1115			KGAN	2	iΑ	1214
		WMAB	2	MS		873			WTWO	2	IN	1086
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		PARABOL	IC DISH GAIN		
	Dish Dian	neter in Feet			
Channel	5	7	10	12	16
14	15	17.9	21	22.5	25
42	17.6	20.5	23.6	25	27.7
69	19.5	22.5	25.5	27	29.6

Gain in dbi with 55% reflector efficiency subtract 2.1 db for gain over a simple dipole (dbd). Add 2.6 db for improbable 100% reflector efficiency. Remember - double your power adds 3 db — lose half your power results in a 3db loss. 1 db is barely noticable.

В	BEAMWIDTHS OF PARABOLIC DISH DESIGNED FOR MAXIMUM GAIN Dish Diameter in Feet				
Channel	5	7	10	12	16
14	29°	21°	15°	12°	9°
42	22°	15°	11°	9°	7°
69	17°	12°	9°	7°	5°

Approximate Beamwidths at half power points (minus 3dbs) Note: A 30' dish on Ch-69 would have a half power beamwidth of less than 3°!

Halfpower Beamwith = <u>70X wavelength</u> (in feet) Dish Diameter



FORTY TWO YEARS IN BROADCASTING

(Your editor reflects on his career and the remarkable changes in radio & tv.)

It doesn't seem possible!

Was it really 42 years ago that a skinny kid named Tom Bryant managed to shoehorn his way into a job at KFYR-tv? It was indeed!

Now, in 1998, that 15 year old upstart is scaring the heck out of 58; and by the time you read this will have retired from WSM after 30+ years with the station.

Of course everything changes with time...some things more than others. Radio, in many respects was slow to change; in fact during its first 25 years there were very few advances.

By the time I hopped aboard, radio was almost 35. Reel-to-reel tape recorders had been in common use for less than 10 years. Cartridge tape machines wouldn't show up for 4 more years...cassettes even later. There were no 8-tracks. Stereo broadcasting didn't exist.

Network feeds (for radio) were delivered via the AT&T 'long lines' division.

33 1/3 and 45 rpm vinyl discs had just displaced the venerable 78's!

Digital? What's that? Gigabytes? You gotta be kidding!

Satellites? CDs? DATs? Never heard of them either!

In TV-land tubes and transformers ruled the roost. Transistors, printed circuit boards and their successors were still in their infancy. Most equipment was as big as a barn and weighed a ton.

Black and white images were scanned by iconoscope, vidicon, and image orthicon tubes. RCA's color system was barely out of the cradle.

Speaking of RCA...in broadcast circles those three letters were tantamount to deity. Anything less was considered second-rate.

Videotape hadn't been perfected, thus almost everything aired was live. Filmed programs were expensive and used only sparingly by the networks. Kinescope copies of live shows brought programming to stations not yet hooked up to a network.

The hazards of live television were endless and many of the tales of 'live' foul-ups are legendary.

The mid 1950s was an exciting time to be in broadcasting. While everyone knew that incredible new technologies were on the horizon, few could even begin to dream of what the future held.

FM at this point in time was a toy of sorts for the few owners who were willing to spend the money to operate a transmitter. In an attempt to cater to wealthy potential advertisers most stations programmed classical music. Construction permits were more or less up for grabs...just write the FCC a letter asking for one...and you'd probably get it! But...who in their right mind would want one?

There were few FM receivers, and people were satisfied with AM to the extent that they weren't about to spend a penny for a radio that, in most markets, would only pick up one or two stations.

AM experts felt that their competitive enemy was television; and few (if any) had a clue that in surprisingly few years FM would begin to run them into bankruptcy or off the air completely. TV meanwhile, created its own niche and never had much effect on radio other than to drive it away from block programming (such as soap operas and mysteries) and toward top 40 and other more diversified formats.

So, at this point, you have a rather generalized scenario of where AM, FM and TV were poised about 40 years ago...and the floodgates are about to be lifted.

Two-way microwave relay systems connect the nation. It is possible to do a split-screen with an image of the Golden Gate bridge in San Francisco on the left side and the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor on the right.

Color telecasts catch the attention of everyone. In spite of astronomical prices, people buy color sets in mind-boggling quantities.

Videotape improves picture quality. So does the newly developed transistorized equipment. Television is coming of age.

The popularity of FM broadcasting begins to spread like wildfire. Innovative programmers have begun to replace 'elevator music' formats with rock and roll...and the clarity of stereophonic FM sound literally captures the kids! FM is on its rise to the top of the heap. AM, for the most part, has buried its head in the sand believing it is invincible.

Technological changes come so rapidly that it's impossible to keep up.

Local cable systems and satellite distribution of programming change the fabric of the delivery system.

The introduction of computers literally turns the industry upside down. Everything changes .. billing .. research .. editing .. telephones .. logging .. news prep .. robotics .. control consoles .. you name it.......

Rule changes have made their mark as well. LMAs, ownership of multiple stations in a market, control of broadcast policymaking being turned over to 'bean-counters' and a myriad of other legal, technical, and philosophical changes may not manifest their full impact for years.

For a relatively young industry the transformation has been nothing less than astounding.

And...the future? We can only watch and listen in amazement as the whirlwind of change continues. As an observer rather than a participant, I think I'll enjoy it immensely.

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GET READY FOR AURORAL DX!

by Bill Thompson

By now, you've likely heard the good news. Not only is sunspot activityon the rise, but it's rising rapidly, and the upcoming peak, to come sometime in the 2000-2001 period, promises to be a good one for the VHF DX enthusiast. It could well mean that there will be one last opportunity for the TV DXer to catch lowband TV signals propagated via F2 skip, possibly in the form of a few interesting transcontinental DX loggings, and maybe some trans-oceanic TV DX as well. But--you may not have been thinking about a more likely DX opportunity for you that's also the result if elevated sunspot activity. In fact, March is the peak month for this somewhat-less-exotic but nonetheless very exciting DX propagation mode--aurora!

Aurora DX activity can of course take place any time of the year—but it is most likely to happen around the time of the spring and fall equinoxes. Some of the more memorable DX-producing auroral sessions take place at night at this time of the year, usually plus or minus two weeks from the first day of spring. March auroral activity often comes at time when DXers most welcome it--after those long winter "DX doldrums."

Auroral signals are VERYdifferent from other types of propagation, and therefore quite distinctive. They will usually peak in strength from the northwest, due north (though not as often as you might think) and the northeast. What you are getting, though, actually may be east, west, or even SOUTH of you.

This is a type of skip propagation, but it actually behaves far more like scatter than the "mirror-like" quality of E-skip. What actually is taking place is a wildly unstable (in terms of maximum usable frequency as well as the stability of the reflecting surface itself) type of signal reflection, from the aurora borealis. The borealis is visible to the naked eye under the proper conditions—when it is easily seen, it is of course popularly known as the "Northern Lights." If you've never seen it before, it's a very impressive sight, shimmering and glowing, and even changing its flourescent colors, not unlike a giant luminous "curtain" that spans the northern horizon. Depending upon how far north you are, it may appear to be overhead.

The auroral DX mode has been observed by TV and FM DXers since the 1950's. While TV DX loggings have been made, they are very rare, and usually involved using the TV audio to make a positive ID, rather than paying attention to the video, which is badly garbled into video "hash" by the wildly varying signal. The fact that a TV video carrier uses amplitude modulation doesn't help; FM signals survive the wild trip through the auroral curtain in much better condition, so its no surprise that FM DXers have found considerably more success with this exotic DX mode.

Although distances of up to over 1200 miles, (2000 km or so) are possible via the auroral DX mode, the typical auroral FM or TV logging seems to be in the 300 to 800 mile rang. Remember, however, that were talking about the straight line distance here; actually, the path that the signal takes is hardly a straight line, because the auroral curtain involved is usually well to the north of both the DX station and the DXer.

GET READY FOR AURORAL DX!

Auroral DX openings are dependent upon solar flare activity levels. As we approach peak sunspot activity, flares become more numerous and "energetic." During the larger solar storms that are more commonplace in high activity years, streams of high-energy protons and electrons are ejected from the Sun in increasingly larger amounts. Earth's magnetic field attracts these particles, and the result is highly energized ionization. The interaction with gases in that region of the ionosphere - actually in the vicinity of our beloved "E" layer - produces the visual "fireworks" we know as the Northern Lights. That same ionization is busy also reflecting DX signals. Interestingly, the intensity of the visual display doesn't always correlate to what's actually happening on the TV and FM bands, DXwise.

In general, northerly locations get into more auroral openings than most other regions. Good openings have been noted in the southern U.S. during peak years. In fact, visual displays of Northern Lights have been seen as far south as the Carolinas and Florida, but only very rarely. "Hot spots" of good auroral DX opportunities are places such as western Canada, the northwest U.S., Idaho, Montana, the Dakotas, Minnesota, Wisconsin, northern Michigan, northern New England, Ontario, Quebec, and the Maritime provinces. Because of the way that the geomagnetic latitude lines "warp" across North America, there are some interesting variations in activity. Thus, it is possible to have two places on the same latitude a thousand miles apart or so, one having many auroral openings, the other one rarely ever experiencing it!

It's a good idea to keep your TV and FM antennas pointed north this month, if you hope to get into auroral DX. A good log or yagi-type antenna is a must for decent results. Anything from one of Radio Shack's 6-element basic FM antennas to a stack of Stereoprobes will do; if your tuner is good enough to be able to log meteor scatter DX, then you're ready to catch some aurora. One sign that auroral conditions are "up" is the appearance of weak bands of "hash" lines on lowband TV starting to peak generally towards the north, sometimes reaching into highband. If you have a shortwave receiver, it will often cause voice signals on the 75-meter ham band to start to sound "watery" for a matter of hours before VHF starts to exhibit auroral activity.

Remember—keep that antenna pointed north at this time of the year. Auroral DX tends to peak around midnight and beyond, and can make for some interesting DXing. You won't soon forget the "wispy" sounding FM DX signals, sometimes two or three per channel, that can suddenly appear across the 88 to 108 MHz range during an auroral session. Good luck, and happy aurora hunting!

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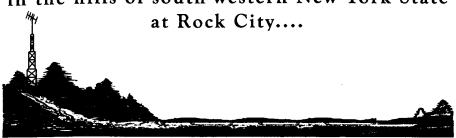
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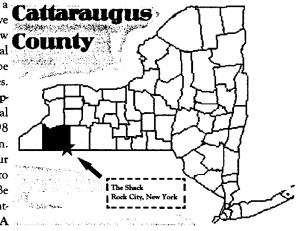
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I've found the WTFDA a big help in the DX hobby. Carol and I and thank you for your support. 73ily,

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