NRC Convention You can make your reservations now for the Labor Day Weekend. An official Hotel form can be found on Page 23.

NRC Convention Auction Items We've gotten some very nice items from Dario Monferini of Milano Italy. If you have items that you'd like to donate to the Auction, you can send your items ahead to the HQ address, simply mark on the box 'For NRC Convention'.

Meet Dario Monferini of Milano Italy According to his letter, Dario will be in the United States and WILL be at the Convention in Milwaukee. Here is an excellent oportunity to talk to Dario about Italy Radio! We certainly are looking forward to meeting and talking with him.

April Fools issue will be the March 28, Issue 24. Two issues away!! Get your material to HQ or to the appropriate column editor by March 14. Not much time left. You need to send your stuff NOW.

Regional Frequency Night Powers list is enclosed starting on page 5. An outstanding job by Jerry Starr on this project. From Jerry, "As a service to members who are unable to read the small print in the listings of the new regional night powers, we will make available a large print list for the cost of printing. NRC Members ONLY can obtain this list by sending US\$1.00 plus a legal size SASE with 39 cent postage to me at the AM Switch address. NO LISTS CAN BE MAILED IF THE SASE IS NOT INCLUDED. We will attempt to fill all requests the day they arrive, unless the demand is much greater than anticipated".

From Ken Onyschuck, WNVR-1030 Vernon Hills, IL, 500w days should be on the air with a "daily community newspaper of the airways" format, WMAQ-670 will be all news.

And you ask, "What has happened to Larry the Legend from WLS fame?" Check out FreshLike vegetable commercials aired recently on radio.

Back into the Lake for me (again!!) Poor Harry, I did it to him again! Photos on page 16, DXNews Issue 18, should have been credited to Harry Weatherley. He had taken these while on a DXpedition at Marlo, Victoria, Australia. Sorry Boss.

Also from Harry Weatherley, Editor of DX Australia, DX'ers Calling magazine comes word that May 7-14, 1988 at Coolum, Queensland area there will be an DX Australia Convention. It is DXA's Australian Bi-Centenary effort. Look for some big name Australian and New Zealand MW DXers to be at this event. If your going to Australia this year (from all those Aussie commercials and programs recently...you feel like your already there!!) make your plans to coincide with this event (wish I was...maybe we'll move NRC HQ there...any job openings out there for Telecommunication Digital Technicians???...).

**DXChange.** If you have something to sell, trade, or want to buy. Drop us a line and we will post it here.

For Sale/Trade: Carts, Broadcast style, over 140, Make offer or Will trade for Commodore Tape Drive. (Fred Vobbe, Address on back cover)

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## **AM SWITCH**

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#### CALL LETTER CHANGES

OLD C	ALL:		New	CALL:	OLD C	ALL:			New call:
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970	WKLS	GA	ATLANTA	WNIV		KRAM	NV	PARADISE	KFMS*
1030	WUGM	MΙ	STERLING HEIGHTS	WUFL	1450	KNSI	ΜN	ST. CLOUD	KCLD
1330	KENU	WA	ENUMCLAW	KQZQ		WKAL	NY	Rome	WFRG*
1340	WUNA	PR	AGUADILLA	WNOZ	1470	WKXC	MS	NEW ALBANY	WNAU
					1520	KADI	MO	Camdenton	KFXE

\* KRAM was set aside and never used, station remains KFMS. WKAL first asked for WGKT but had that set aside in favor of WFRG.

#### APPLICATIONS FOR NEW STATIONS

860 OR Eugene: 210/210 U4 (change of day power of existing application)

880 VA DAYTON: 1000 D3 VA MONETA: 2500 D3 890 VA FAIRLAWN: 2500 D3

020 NE HOLDRIDGE: 10000/1000 U4 (COMPETES WITH EXISTING APPLICATION)

1360 WA Mountlake Terrace: 1000/1000 U1 (synchronous with KKMO Tacoma, WA)

1600 WA Dungeness: 5000/5000 U3 (competes with existing application)

#### GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

840 SC COLUMBIA: 50000 D3

1340 OR KLAMATH FALLS: 1000/1000 U1

#### APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

590 KSSK HI Honolulu: DAY AND NIGHT POWERS TO 7500 WATTS

800 KHIS CA Bakersfield: powers to 1000/500, antenna to U4

980 WPGA GA PERRY: POWER TO 5000 WATTS

1000 KBIB TX Marion: REDUCE POWER TO 250 WATTS

1200 WDCQ FL PINE ISLAND CENTER: DAY POWER TO 25000, CH POWER TO 5000

1270 KNWZ CA PALM DESERT: POWERS TO 5000/950

1520 WKVI IN Knox: DAY POWER TO 2000, CH POWER TO 410

1580 WDQN IL Duquoin: REDUCE POWER TO 170 WATTS

#### GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

670 WTNN TN FARRAGUT: RELOCATE XR (NEW STATION NOT ON THE AIR)

710 WEKC KY WILLIAMSBURG: POWER TO 4200 WATTS

730 WLPF FL LAKE PLACID: POWER TO 500, ANTENNA TO D3 (NEW STATION NOT ON AIR)

850 KBBM OR WALDPORT: RELOCATE XR

870 KROL NV EAST LAS VEGAS: DAY POWER TO 5000 (SYNCHRONOUS XR)

930 WBYG IL SANDWICH: DAY POWER TO 2500 WATTS

1040 KRAD OK PERRY: TO 1020 KHZ WITH 400/250 U4

1180 KGOL TX HUMBLE: POWER TO 50000 WATTS

1190 KOKK SD Huron: to 1210 kHz with 10000/1000 U4

1200 WMXA IL CHICAGO: RELOCATE XR (NEW STATION NOT ON THE AIR)

1220 WTCN MN STILLWATER: TO 1210 KHZ WITH 10000/790 U2

1250 WGL IN FORT WAYNE: POWERS TO 2300/1500

1400 KEBE TX JACKSONVILLE: RELOCATE XR

OTHERNESS

830 WADU LA Norco: extension of CP for new station was DENIED so they "got their act together" and got the station built before the time ran out, new station is now on the air. (see below)

980 WJIW NY CAZENOVIA: UNBUILT CP HAS JUST BEEN SOLD SO CP IS STILL ALIVE 000 \*APP MT BLACK EAGLE: APPLICATION FOR NEW STATION DISMISSED

1030 WTRJ OH TROY: WHAT A LEGAL MESS THIS HAS TURNED INTO, SEE BELOW FOR OUR ATTEMPT TO FURTHER UNWIND THIS SITUATION.

1220 WXRA NY North Syracuse: is back on full power on this frequency, now expects towers for 1200 kHz to be up by May

1230 KBZB AZ BISBEE: SILENT STATION HAS BEEN SOLD FOR \$2000! New OWNER
CLAIMS THE FACILITIES ARE "IN SERIOUS DISREPAIR AND WILL REQUIRE
\$150,000 INVESTMENT BEFORE BROADCASTING CAN RESUME"

1340 KSEK KS PITTSBURGH: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR

KVIV TX EL PASO: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR WITH SPANISH

1450 KDRW CO SILVERTON: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR

1490 \*APP OK OKLAHOMA CITY: APPLICATION BY KOKC FOR SYNCRONOUS XR DISMISSED

1510 WTKS SC Burnettown: SILENT STATION IS BACK ON THE AIR WITH GOS

1600 WLMO NY GENESEO: UNBUILT CP PURCHASED BY SAME PARTIES AS WJIW-980 SO THIS ONE IS ALSO STILL ALIVE

DENIED? DISMISSED? Exactly what does this mean in AM Switch? Recent comments in other columns indicate it's time to quickly run through this again. When something is DENIED it has been turned down by the FCC. When something is DISMISSED it is being dropped AT THE REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT. When you see, for example, an application for CP extension being DISMISSED this does NOT mean the CP is dead. More often than not it means the station is ready to come on the air and will not require the requested extension and it's pile of paperwork. The station asks that their extension request be DISMISSED. This does NOT mean the CP is dismissed. A few issues back a member comments re WADU-830 that another DENIED CP is on the air. In checking back to the issue in question we find that what was actually listed was a denial of a REQUEST FOR CP EXTENSION.

NOT a denial of the CP. As noted above, they managed to get the station built before the original CP ran out so this denial of extension wasn't revelent. The only time it is appropriate to cross off a CP in the Log is when you read that CP has been CANCELLED!

THE SEEMINGLY ENDLESS SAGA OF WTRJ: The plot thickens since our comments in V55 I19. Seems that WTRJ was granted a CP for 1510 kHz in Troy which was sold before being built. The new owner requested a move to 1030 kHz which was first granted. Then came the mess previously described. Now the applicant for a new station in Union City, IN has had the original grant reversed and sent back to the courts. The thinking, however convoluted, is this. Applicants requesting the same frequency will be given preference if that application is for a FIRST broadcast service in the intended service area. Union City so far has successfully argued that the 1510 CP in Troy represents an existing service in Troy even though it was never built and even though it is the same grantee who was given permission to move to 1030 kHz, therefore 1030 should go to Union City as a first service. The FCC judge determined that "the applicant's existing CP, which had not lapsed, required that Troy be attributed a station for the purposes of comparative evaluation" even though 1510 was not and would not be built. Confusing? Let's see what the courts do with this now.

WHILE ALL THESE MANEUVERS WERE TAKING PLACE THE FCC ASSIGNED AN FM CHANNEL TO TROY AND THERE APPEAR TO BE SIX APPLICANTS FOR THIS FACILITY. UNION CITY IS ATTEMPTING TO SHOW THIS AS A POTENTIAL BROADCAST SERVICE FOR TROY BUT SO FAR THE FCC ISN'T BUYING IT. MORE AS IT HAPPENS.

THANKS TO MEMBERS RICHARD D'ANGELO AND PHIL WAYNE FOR THIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS ISSUE OF AM SWITCH.

73 AND GOOD DX.

Damy & BKF

JERRY STARR & BUFFALO K. FOONMAN

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SUNDAY CAPE COD TIMES, FEBRUARY 14, 1988

## **Baby boomers** rocking away to oldies radio

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON - Danny and the Juniors must have had the gift of prophecy when they recorded "Rock and Roll Is Here to Stay" 30 years ago.
The number of radio stations na-

tionwide playing rock music of the late 1950s, the 1960s and 1970s has doubled in the past five years, and the irend is continuing, according to the authoritative Broadcasting/Cab-

lecasting Yearbook.
For 1981, the yearbook listed 232 AM or FM radio stations playing the gamut of popular music of past de-cades: "oldies, golden oldies, nostal-gia, classic rock, old gold, solid gold, and classic rock.

That number had grown to 464 by 1986, and members of the yearbook staff at the main office of Broadcasting magazine in Washington said recently the 1988 yearbook will list 537 of the country's 10,219 stations as playing oldies

There are indications most are doing well in a highly competitive

Figures at Arbitron Ratings, the service that keeps tabs on the na-tion's listening habits, show that in many large markets oldies stations are among the top 10 draws.

There is no clear-cut explanation for classic rock's popularity, but many in the industry believe millions of baby boomers prefer the music

they grew up with.
"I think it really comes down to the music," said WODS program direc-tor Dave VanDyke, whose Boston station went on air last October with its "oldies" format. "For the adults of today, the music that's being released just doesn't do a thing for them, but teen-agers (also) are desir-ing this kind of music more than what's being recorded today.'

In New York, Joe McCoy, program director at WCBS-FM, said his station's "oldie" format transcended the generations.

This is the stuff parents grew up on, this is the stuff they were weaned on, so they're translating it to the kids today," he said in a telephone interview

In Hartford, Conn., where WDRC-FM plays "solid gold rock 'n' roll" with emphasis on music between 1964-1975, the station's program director, Frank Holler, agreed the oldies had appeal for young adults.

But Holler, himself a baby boomer at 39, was most eloquent when describing the meaning of WDRC's music to others of his age

He spoke on the telephone to a background of Peter and Gordon's 'World Without Love.'

"The people love it, it reminds them of a very special time of their lives," said Holler of his station's music. "There is a familiarity that both men and women are immediately comfortable with, and it has not been played to such excess within the

last 15 years as to be burned out."
"I think as long as the baby boom generation is alive with disposable income that the advertisers are looking to reach, the music of the '50s, '60s and '70s is going to continue to be popular," he said.

Garry Guthrie, whose Edinborough Rand Inc. advises stations on formats, agreed that "there is considerable advertiser interest" in baby boomers.

"Most of them are in the \$35,000plus range," he said, in a telephone interview from Scottsdale, Ariz. "You are giving . . . (advertisers) a large block of people with discretionary income who want to be on top of trends, who are willing to buy dura-

Guthrie said he has overseen about 12 station changes to classic rock formats since he set up business in Oc-tober 1985, and "we have yet to have any failures."

## Community fabric strengthened by local radio stations

By Erik Alsgaard

They are part of the glue that holds us together. They are laughed at, respected, scorned, listened to. "They" are the local stations that dot the radio dial and the countryside from Maine to Alaska. And they present their own, special style to their listeners that the bigger stations cannot afford to risk, or that they would consider "bush."

The local radio station in Tuscola County in Michigan's Thumb is WKYO, a 1,000 watt (WJR is 50,000 by comparison) ly happened over on Pine Street last night. daytime station. In other words, after about 35 miles, it starts to fade away on your car radio. Like the countless other local, "small-time" stations, WKYO Radio presents its own, unique set of values.

For example, on WKYO Radio, three times each day, you can listen to the "Funeral Report," a complete listing of run strong and deep in the people of this who died, and where, when and at what and other communities. Deep enough, in funeral home the service will be. Like other regions, Tuscola county does not to the weekly paper when the morning DJ have a daily newspaper. Funeral listings played, "Grandma Got Run Over by a from WKYO provide a key service to the

community that bigger stations, for reasons of time, cannot touch.

WKYO Radio also provides a time to talk about lost pets. If you've lost or found "Spot," you can call in and tell someone about it

My favorite time on WKYO is the morning "Sheriff's Report." Each weekday at 8:10 a.m. a deputy stumbles through the preceeding 24 hours worth of complaints. It's a great way to keep up on the gossip of the community, and to find to what real-

These three programs, along with "Hymn for Today," "The Trading Post," farm reports and prices, and music from where "the golden oldies hang out," paint a vivid picture of Tuscola county's values: family, friends, loved-ones, pets, work... In other words, solid, "earthy" values that WKYO's case, to prompt letters of outrage Reindeer,"

CHRISTIAN  $\rho$  ( beeADVOCATE 2-15

JERRY STARR REGIONAL FREQUENCY NIGHT POWERS:

NEARLY EVERY DXER HAS NOTICED SOME OF HIS LOCAL "DAYTIME" STATIONS OPERATING AT NIGHT AND SOME HAVE WRITTEN TO ASK WHY THEY DIDN'T SEE THE APPLICATION OR GRANT FOR FULLTIME IN AM SWITCH. REGULAR READERS ARE AWARE THAT THE FCC RECENTLY HAS ISSUED BLANKET APPROVAL FOR MOST STATIONS ON THE REGIONAL FREQUENCIES PLUS 940 and 1550 kHz to operate at night with low powers. The Stations didn't need to APPLY FOR THESE POWERS, THEY WERE GRANTED AUTOMATICALLY AND ALL POWERS WERE SPECIFIED, NOT REQUESTED. THE POWERS WERE CALCULATED SO AS NOT TO PROVIDE ANY SERIOUS INTERFERENCE TO STATIONS ALREADY OPERATING WITH REGULAR FULLTIME PERMITS ON THESE FREQUENCIES.

SINCE THERE ARE OVER 1200 STATIONS GETTING THESE LOW POWER GRANTS WE WILL BE LISTING THEIR POWERS IN INSTALLMENTS, THE FIRST OF WHICH IS INCLUDED HERE. THE FCC'S LIST IS AVAILABLE ONLY SORTED BY CITY AND STATE, SO IT HAS BEEN A MAJOR CHORE TO RESORT ALL THIS INFO BY FREQUENCY SO YOU CAN UPDATE YOUR LOG WITHOUT HAVING TO PAGE THROUGH IT MANY TIMES.

ALL THE STATIONS HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED TO USE THEIR EXISTING ANTENNA ARRANGEMENT FOR THEIR NIGHT POWERS SO TO CORRECT YOUR LOG YOU NEED ONLY WRITE IN THE POWER AND CHANGE THE "D" ANTENNA DESIGNATION TO "U". THE NUMBERS WILL NOT CHANGE. D1 BECOMES U1 AND D3 BECOMES U3. Now you know why the forward thinking folks who designed the Log never used "D2" as a designation.

SINCE THERE HAS BEEN SOME TIME ELAPSE BETWEEN WHEN WE GENERATED THIS INFORMATION AND IT REACHES YOU THERE WILL BE SOME CALLS LISTED THAT HAVE CHANGED. IT SHOULD ONLY TAKE A FEW SECONDS TO MAKE THIS CORRECTION WHEN FILLING IN THE LOG SINCE, FOR THE SAKE OF SAVING SPACE, WE ARE LISTING ONLY THE STATE, NOT THE CITY.

ALL POWERS ARE LISTED IN WATTS.

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PLEASE REMEMBER THAT NOT ALL REGIONAL STATIONS RECEIVED NIGHT POWERS SO YOU MAY NOTICE SOME ARE MISSING FROM THIS LIST. ALSO NOT ASSIGNED POWERS ARE UNBUILT CPS FOR NEW STATIONS SINCE FIELD MEASUREMENTS OF THESE STATIONS SIGNALS HAVE NOT YET BEEN MADE AND THEREFORE THE FCC HAS NO FIGURES ON WHICH TO BASE NIGHT POWERS. Some New STATION CPS WITH COMPUTER PROJECTIONS OF FIELD ON FILE WERE CALCULATED.

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BITS AND PIECES: As we expected, in the PROCESSING OF OVER 1200 STATIONS IN THIS LIST SOME ODD THINGS HAVE CROPPED UP AND A FEW STATIONS WERE MISSED IN THE BY-FREQ SORTING. THE FCC HAS LISTED POWERS FOR SOME STATIONS WE BELIEVE TO ALREADY BE FULLTIME WITH NORMAL POWERS. THE FCC IS KNOWN FOR RELEASING DOCUMENTS WHICH HAVE INFORMATION IN DISAGREEMENT WITH EACH OTHER. WE HAVE CLEARED OUT THE ONES WE KNOW ARE ALREADY OPERATING FULLTIME BUT THERE ARE A FEW WE QUESTION. IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON ANY OF THE MYSTERIES LISTED BELOW, PLEASE LET US KNOW AT THE AM SWITCH ADDRESS.

560 WOOF AL DOTHAN 118 (MISSED) WLBL WI AUBURNDALE 89 (LOG SEZ MADISON) WONG MS CANTON 19 (MISSED) 1270 KCVL WA COLVILLE 77 (MISSING FROM OUR UPDATED LOG PRINTOUT) KBMO MN 1290 BENSON 35 (MISSED) TRENTON 500 (HAS BEEN REPORTED FULLTIME/EWING) WIMG NJ 1300 1370 WRGS TN ROGERSVILLE 40 (MISSED) WBBX TN KINGSTON 63 (HAS BEEN 1410 REPORTED ALREADY FULLTIME) 1440 WJJL NY NIAGARA FALLS 55 (LOG LISTING AS FULLTIME IS IN ERROR) 1590 WARV RI WARWICK 19 (HAS CP FOR FULLTIME WITH 5000 WATTS NIGHTS BUT STATUS OF ACTUAL OPERATION UNKNOWN)

STATIONS ABOVE MARKED "MISSED" ARE ONES WE MISSED IN ENTRY. IN OTHER WORDS. WE SCREWED UP. THE OTHERS ARE OF UNKNOWN STATUS AND ANY INPUT FROM MEMBERS WOULD BE DEEPLY APPRECIATED - JERRY STARR





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## FORMATS

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Welcome to the Formats Column. This time we will do some thing different. Bill Nittler, via Geov Parrish, and David Bailey, via Wayne Heinen update us on AM radio in the Denver and Seattle -Tacoma markets, respectively. Additionally, I am adding a few comments to the Seattle entries, from memories when I protected all of you in 1966, while stationed with the Army at scenic Fort Lewis, just south of Tacoma. There have been a lot of changes in Seattle radio in the past 22 years! The rest of you get your formats in ....as a 12 page magazine only lasts a couple of stops, when read on the New Haven Line!!!

Here we go!!!
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560	KLZ	CO	Denver	- CWM, ABC.
570	KVI	WA	Seattle	<ul> <li>Solid gold rock today, adult</li> </ul>
				contemporary with emphasis on
				personalities in 1966.
630	KHOW	CO	Denver	- AC/oldies in the evening, heavy on the
				personalities.
630	KCIS	WA	Edmonds	- Christian info/ Religion.
670	KPBL		Commerce	- Not on air yet.
710	KNUS		Denver	- News talk, "K-Talk".
	KIRO		Seattle	- News, sports, talk, CBS, same format
710	KIKO	WA	Seattle	
760	W T T T T	-	m)	as years ago!
760	KJIM		Thornton	- Christian talk radio.
770	KRPM	WA	Seattle -	Tacoma - CWM, //FM, was KXA, classical and opera back in 1966!!
800	KLTT	CO	Brighton	- Contemporary Christian, daytimer.
820	KGNW		Burien	- Religion.
850	KOA		Denver	- News talk, CBS, network talk at night,
050	11011	-	Denver	sports.
850	KTAC	WΔ	Tacoma	- Adult contemporary, AM stereo, talk at
030	KIHC	***	Tucoma	night, same as years ago.
880	KIXI	LIA	Seattle	- Oldies rock plus CHR, was all
880	VIVI	WM	seattle	
				beautiful music in 1966, a 1000 watt
				station, with the McLendon phraseology
				about sunlight over the sound, dew in
				the fields, etc
910	KPOF	CO	Denver	<ul> <li>Non-commercial religion "Piller of</li> </ul>
				Fire".
950	KIMN	CO	Denver	- AC.
950	KJR	WA	Seattle	- AC, in the 1960's was THE rocker in
				Seattle.
1000	KOMO	WA	Seattle	- EZL, lots of News, ABC Information
				News, AM stereo, full service approach.
1050	KBLE	WA	Seattle	- Religion, as it was in the 1960's.
1060	KLMO	CO	Longmont	- CWM, ABC, daytimer.
1090	KBYG		Aurora	- Soft AC, "K-Big", uses 12 tower array.
1090	KING		Seattle	- News/Talk, NBC, Mutual, L. King.
1150	KRZN			- Rock oldies "Cruisin'".
1150	KEZX		Seattle	- Soft jazz, classical, // FM from
1130	KLDA	WA	beaccie .	10:00PM.
				<del>-</del>
<u>1190</u>	KBCO		Boulder	- AOR//FM.
1210	KASY	WA	Auburn	- CHR, lots of news for the southern
				suburbs, oldies Saturday nights.
1220	KBNO		Denver	- Spanish daytimer, "Bueno".
1230	KWYZ		Everett	- CHR, "Radio 1-2-3".
1250	KKFX	WA	Seattle	- UC, was the same 20 years ago.
1280	KXKT	CO	Denver	- Rock oldes, //FM. "Cool 105".
1300	KMPS	WA	Seattle	- CWM, AM stereo, was "Colorful KOL" in
				1966, a rocker, which never could catch
				KJR in the ratings.
1330	KENU	WA	Enumiclaw	- AC, daytimer.
1340	KDEN		Denver	- All news.
1360	KKMO		Tacoma	- BBD, Jazz at night, oldies. Was a BBD
				station in the 1960's, too.
1380	KRKO	WA	Everett	- AC music.
1390				ter - Sun Network Talk, which is a lot of
				sion, from doctors, personal finance
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experts, etc, from Sun HDQ in Tampa, and WMCA, New York.

- Hits of the 50's, 60's, 70's, was KTNT, for the owner, Tacoma News-

1400 KITZ WA Silverdale

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1570 KLOV CO Loveland

KJET WA Seattle

1600 KRXY CO Lakewood - CHR//FM.

1590

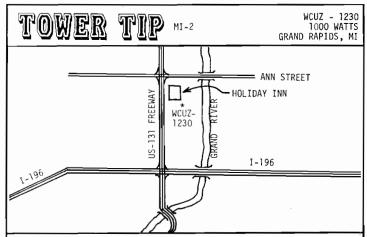
Tribune, in the 1960s, and played AC music and news from the newsroom of you guagged it!

- Modern rock, new wave, was AOR, with

different calls in 1965-66.

			or you guessed it:
1420	KRIZ WA	Renton	- Gospel, rhythm and blues.
1430	KEZW CO	Aurora	- MYL.
1450	KJUN WA	Puyallup	- CWM, was KAYE in the 1960s, with talk and a couple of DJ's. One, Herb Smiles, got himself fired for badmouthing all of the rich folks who lived in a ridge overlooking Puyallup. Herb was a consciencious objector who took shots at the Army, much to the delight of the GI's who heard him.
1460	KARR WA	Kirkland	- Religion.
1480	KLAY WA	Lakewood	- News talk, ABC talk features, was CWM.
1490	KBOL Co	Boulder	- AC.
1490	KBRO WA	Bremerton	- AC, for the suburb of Bremerton,
			reached by commuter ferry from Seattle.
1510	KDKO CO	Littleton	- SMN Black oldies "Heart and Soul".
1540	KLSY WA	Bellevue	- AC//FM.
1550	KQXI CO	Arvada	- Religion.
1560	KFRS WA	Sumner	- Christian family radio, was EZL, I remember it signing on in 1966.

And that is it. Thank you very much, gentlemen. And for the rest of you, get your formats in.



WHAT TO LOOK FOR: Single tower between river and US-131 right up next to the Grand Rapids Holiday Inn! CONTRIBUTED BY: Philip Boersma, Spring Lake, MI

Send information about a.m. broadcast towers in your area to John D. Bowker, 14 Canoe Brook Drive, Princeton Jct., NJ 08550. Include a simple map (Bowker may re-draw it) showing major highways and any other terrain features near the tower(s). Tell how many towers, how they are laid out, and any other features that will help in spotting them.

# SUMMARY OF UNREPORTED STATIONS (1)

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Through Volume 55 # 19 dated February 15, 1988

The following chart lists the total number of stations in the USA and Canada and the volume they were last reported as being heard in DX NEWS.

COUNTRY	<u>V55</u>	<u>v 54</u>	<u>v 53</u>	<u>V 52</u>	<u>v51</u>	<u>V 50</u>	V49	<u>v48</u>	<u>v47</u>	<u>v46</u>	<u> 445</u>	<u>V44</u>	<u>v43</u>	<u>V42</u>	Prior	<u>Total</u>
CANADA	209	85	22	39	14	16	5	4	4	2	1	1	0	0	15 .	417
U.S.A.	2102	1305	518	210	204	170	77	67	41	30	22	10	13	5	91 •	<b></b> 4865
TOTAL	2311	1390	540	249	218	186	82	71	45	32	23	11	13	5	106 -	5282

New stations reported as having taken the air during the period covering Volume 55, number 12 through 19:

550-WASG-AL 660-WMIC-MI 820-WIQT-NY 830-WADU-LA	(x-1560)	840-WHGH-GA 870-CFSX-NF 1000-WLNL-NY	(x-910)	1220-KMVL-TX 1290-WNBN-MS 1490-WLGW-NH
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Note: Delete from above totals: CHYR-7-730 Leamington ON. They are off the air permanently. CHYR-710 is now nighttime...Also, KBWS-1530 in Sisseton 3D, listed as on the air sometime ago...in error...Is still a CP, if that ... dkk.

Note: Can anyone in the Northeast check on the status of WHWB-Rutland Vt.? Someone reported that their CP for 970 was on the air about 6 months ago but Howard Kemp in Laconia NH tells me they were still on 1000 as of 1/3/88.

Previously unreported stations noted by NRC reporters in DX NEWS since the last update (V55 #16)....Covers V55 #12 through #19:

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FL---4 WHOF--640 (Jeter-GA)
GA---4 WHGH--840 & WTNL-1390 (both by DeLorenzo-GA)
IL---1
        WRYT-1080 (Herman-OK)
KY---0
       WOKT-1040 (Onyschuk-IL)
       KTIB--640 (Jeter-GA) & WADU--830 (Boehm-TX & Bigley-TX)
LA---7
MI---1
       WMIC--660 (Vobbe-MI)
MN---3 KRF0-1390 (Sampson-MN)
NM---1 KNXX-1050 & KMIN-1400 (both by Wilkins-CO)
NY---0
       WIQT--820 (Hale-NY) & WLNL-1000 (Voorhies-NY & Novello-NY)
SC---1 WPSC-1510
                  (Cuomo-PA)
        WEAB--960
                  (Hughes-KY)
UT---1 KUTA--790 (Baumgartner-UT & Tallman-OK)
       WWES-1270 (Malicky-PA)
VA---0
MB---0
      CISV-1570 (Wolfish-MB)
NF---2 CFSX--870 (DX Finland)
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A fine representation this time gentlemen.. The count is nearing 100 & falling. OFF THE AIR STATIONS:

740-WRPX-WI	1240-KDGO-CO	1360-KBUK- <b>T</b> X	1520-WGNB-FL
1010-KKGZ-C0	1290-WTNX-TN	1380-KFLJ-CO	1530-WXEZ-FL
1030-KKJC-MO	1300-WCER-IN	1390-WAPR-FL	1550-WKVL-TN
1090-WGO C-TN	1340-KSEK-KS	1450-KENM-NM	
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BACK ON THE AIR STATIONS:

1040-WYFX-FL 1330-KRDQ-ND 1230-KSSC-MO 1400-KSUN-AZ 1270-WWES-VA

CHRISTIANSBURG VA 24071

73....dkk

 4700 S.W. COUNCIL CREST DRIVE ● PORTLAND, OREGON 97201 ●

## ®DOMESTIC DX DIGEST - EAST

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- Stan Morss writes to say he heard the mystery WRNS on 1580 back in November. He called WRNS and they confirmed the programming was theirs, but the use of it on 1580 was "unauthorized" So, if you write to WJIK for a verie or to confirm what you heard, they may not acknowledge it. No telling what could become of this.
- TRIVIA TIME Since the latest NRC Log was printed in 1986, which frequency has had the most call letter changes? Which one the least? There may be more than one correct answer for each question. Multiple call letter changes are counted as one "cause my log shows only the last one). And 530 isn't considered, 'cause there's only one of 'em. Reference: NRC Log (of course). Got a good trivia question concerning AM DXing that can be referenced somewhere? Send it, along with the answer and reference to DDXD-E (along with your DXD. Hurry, as I'm about tapped out of questions.
- A big WELCOME to new member **Doug Swith** of Madison, WI. He checks in with what's being heard in Badgerland. Hope to hear more from you. Doug!
- Remember, when reporting, use one side of the paper, print legibly or type, PLEASE divide the catches into the groups seen here, use Eastern Listening Time (our standard), keep info concise I don't care what other clubs' policies are), and remember the limit on reports. No older than one month by the time I mail the column to HQ, which is generally two weeks prior to DX News hitting the streets. Remember, one more issue, then we're off the weeklies (weaklies?-hi) 'til the fall. Where did the season go? Thanks for everyone's cards, letters, suggestions, and most of all, DX! CIN7.

As it turns out, the frequency with most call letter changes is 1400 with 13. Ten frequencies show no call letter changes: 760, 800, 830, 840, 850, 860, 870, 860 £ 890.

#### SPECIAL

- 670 WMAQ IL CHICAGO will become #11-new# On 2/29 @ 0600; currently runs Steve Allen Show & Talknet + all-nite trucker show (DP-IL)
- 890 WLS IL CHICAGO 2/8 2127 noted <u>VSally Jesse Raphael</u> on ABC Talkradio#WABC/ KUSA; have also noticed they have shifted their format more toward OLD than current T40; another ax stn gone soft (WPF-IN)
- 1450 WCEV IL CICERO per stn steed is 1400-2300 M-F; 1400-2130 Sat; 0600-2300 Sun (DP-IL)
- WVON IL CHICAGO per stn **sked is** 2300-1400, exceept Sat nite/Sun morn @ 2130-0600 & Sun nite/Mon morn @ 2100-1400 (DP-IL)
- 1540 WPTR NY ALBANY now observing LK per Larry's ment on 2/20; good show \(\frac{1}{2}\)Dwayne \(\frac{1}{2}\)Lightagnam (WRH-NY) \(\frac{1}{2}\)KXEL IA WATERLOO 2/15 CO32 noted running \(\frac{1}{2}\)S \(\frac{1}{2}\)REL pgas \(\frac{1}{2}\)Female arinor \(\frac{1}{2}\) host \(\frac{1}{2}\)Rel \(\frac{1}{2}\)Alfredo Galvan (gahl-VAHN); expecting \(\frac{1}{2}\)Wig good as usual \((\frac{1}{2}\)P-IL)
- 1560 WPAD KY PADUCAH 2/10 noted 9LK>Larry ment stn was on the net; actually the show was off for about a month replaced by CSW mx; only airs 2 hrs of show 95off @ 0100 (DP-IL)

#### DX/EQUIPMENT TESTS

- 780 WBBM IL CHICAGO 2/8 0104-0458 noted completely off, nothing else noted; back on \$\frac{1}{2}\$ OC @ 0152, TT @ 0156, then completely off 'til 0458; \*CBS Nx @ 0500, but no ID 'til > 0506 (WPF-IN)
  - WBBM IL CHICAGO 2/8 0128 noted off for maintenance; TTs hrd @ 0200 recheck; I wanted to eat KROW-hi (DP-IL)
- 840 WHAS KY LOUISVILLE 2/8 0129-0420 noted off/on testing; only SS noted \( \mathbb{E}\)E UC mx!; noted back on RS @ 0420 (\( \mathbb{W}\)F-IN)

#### UNIDS & UNIDS IDd

- 750 UNID ?? 2/5 2248 ROK stm \(\frac{1}{2}\) Led Zeppelin tune; poss tlk by man; \(\text{WRIK}\); fair>poor, way
  \(\frac{1}{2}\) \(\text{WSB}\), and \(\text{Nicaragua}\) (latter hrd for 1st time ever!); several \(\text{Mexicans & Cubans in also,}\)
  but stns to the east (ie:\(\text{WBZ}\), \(\text{KYW}\) \(\text{Vweak}\) \(\text{OP-IL}\)
- 800 UNID ?? 2/10 0400-40 somebody here 9050 mx simul 94 Country 102; the only stn that might fit (looking thru the FM Atlas) would be WDRM 102.1 6 WHDS 800 Decatur, AL; but AM is REL, unless they changed?; good for abt % hour, then CHAB fedded in; looped N/S, in CKLW null (WPF-IN)
- 880 UNID ?? 2/8 0126 noted \\$S\$1640, looped NW/SE,ie: from the island where the glowing XR's make it look like sunset @ 3 in the morning, hi (WPF-IN)
- 1280 UNID PQ? 2/14 0238 FF stn YOLD mx in FF & EE, like Walk Like aMan by les
  Quatre Saisons; poor, %WGBF/WMRO (DP-IL) (CJMS is probably the most likely;
  they're closer than CKCV, whose pattern has a deep null toward you-WRH)
- 1420 UNID ?? 2/13 0210 popped up 9mess \( \forall STD \) \( \text{MA?K+Bobby Derin's Splish Splash (replaced by LK in fedeout); \text{ Neil Diamond mx, unID, more mx; Ypoor Yoo-channel QRM (DP-IL)}
- 1590 UNID ?? 2/15 0553 man mumbling but that I had him say WMGR>Family Forum REL feature @ 0554 9Jay Kessler; missed ID when super-1cl WONX blasted on @ 0559 (WONX sked next week, hi); 9poor, ripply signal 90RM (DP-IL)

#### MIDMIGHT TO MIDBAY

550 WICE RI PAWTUCKET - 2/13 0645-0708 week VOLD, ski reports, \$ 550, WICE slogen; promos for lots of sps broadcasts; last hrd as WGNG (TF-CT)

- 600 KSJB ND JAMESTOWN 2/6 TC Here in Jamestown+CSW+PSA Brought to you by KSJB, Jamestown, ND @ 0700 (JB-TK)
- 630 WBMQ GA SAVANNAH 2/8 0232-0341+ poor+good yOLD onQ-WBMQ, Savannah, AM 630; in KXOK null, WLAP off; 1st hrd this in Orlando, 10/86..1st-timer here (WPF-IN)
- 920 CKCY ON SAULTSTE MARIE 2/14 0207 soul song by female; ominous slogan KCY!; Pump up the volume, interrupted when DJ switched mud-song to David Lee Roth; other T40 songs, jx With you, with you, with you...CKY; new, fair-poor; strong for once 9KARN (DP-IL)
- 970 WKLSt GA ATLANTA 2/15 0648 Richard Marx tune, DJ VTC 6:51 + tik; ad for <u>Universal Bank</u>, TC 6:52, chopper tric by female on 96 Rock ment I-20; female Vnx incl ABC Nx cuts; lcl ad cluster; tnx to ment of I-20, only thing that fits is WKLS (DP-IL)
- 980-1230...One of our famous breaks-hi
- 1240 WATN NY WATERTOWN -1/21 0200 ID+nx; fair (WPT-DC1)
- 1290 KOIL NE OMAHA 2/16 0515 \The Mighty Coil, K-O-I-L, Omaha (JB-TX)
- 1320 CHQM ON TORONTO 2/14 0242 two OSW songs; female \(\frac{4}{2}\)Country \(\delta\)-pak on Night Country; ads for \(\frac{5}{2}\)avers \(\text{Mortgage}\), \(\frac{4}{2}\) new offices in Missisauga \(\delta\) Oshawa \(\delta\) \(\text{Merkville Toyota}\); is this another syndicated Canadian mx show? ID unhrd; fair, in co-channel QRM (DP-IL)
- 1340 WLZR WI MILWAUKEE 2/8 0041 topping channel briefly MAOR mx, simul of 102.9, Lazer slogan; usually hrd @ SRS, 1st time @ night (WPF-IN)
- 1360 WWNK OH CINCINNATI 2/10 0340 OLD off the bird; non-ID between songs as K-Rock||mx WCII-1080 (WPF-IN)
- 1380 KGLD MO ST LOUIS 2/8 0801 lgl ID+nx, lcl & nat'l wx (JB-TX)
- 1480 WCNS PA LATROBE 2/13 0632 Hits of the 60s, 70s & 80s; car wash ad; way atop freq (TF-CT)
- 1520 KOMA OK OKC 2/13 O204 MNBC Nx, SkyCam Forecast, DJ Mcurrent cx @ OKC Metro
  Airport, ment ofXR maintenance earlier that nite; SID+'40s mx; finally logged
  here for OK #3; fair %KMPL/WWKB (DP-IL)

#### MIDDAY TO MIDMISHT

- 550 WKRC OH CINCINNATI 2/14 2225 lcl wx on Cincinnati's Wx Stn, WKRC; Everly Bros mx; 
  9CFNB: 1st time hrd here (TF-CT)
- 590 WRTH IL WOOD RIVER 2/15 2026-29+ YTalknet; SID @ 2027; ad for <u>Buick</u>, PSA for Interior Dept (anti-littering), VID AM 59 WRTH YTalknet @ Night+Talknet @ 2029; loud, Ylittle fading relative to others (DS-WI)
- 610 WDAF MO KANSAS CITY 2/15 2029-31+ YCSW mx; VID @ 2030 From Signal Hill...WDAF 610 61 Country (too many words, too fast!); loud, still there @ 2045 (DS-WI)
- 630 KXOK MO ST LOUIS 2/15 2030 WOLD; CL ment @ :30; Yweak & fading (DS-WI)
- 680 WCAW WV CHARLESTON 2/12 1655 good, Vcall-in contest, trfc rpt (LMc-NY)
- 730 WCPT VA ALEXANDRIA 2/15 1735-45 Wads & Motown and More on \$ 730, WCPT; almost lcl strength 'til 1745 pwr cut from 5000 to 40 watts! (TF-CT)
  - KWRE MO WARRENSBURG 2/15 2032 YOSW mx, SID, more OSW; fair @ this time, but Yweek later, still audible, but too weak to re-ID @ 2045 (DS-WI)
- 740 WRPQ WI BARABOO 2/15 2094 still on WAC; quite week; don't see PSSA listed in AM Radio Log; either I'm reading it wrong or they got new authorization (DS-WI) (not too many daytimers left anymore, but I'm surprised WRPQ got PSSA being only 520 miles from Toronto-WRH)
- 790 CKSO ON SUDBURY 2/15 2034-2110 POP mx; call-in contest regarding Michael Jackson's age, sponsored by Pepsi (trip to London for MJ concert) > more POP mx; loud y little fading...even louder @ 2110 (DS-WI)
- 830 WLND OH CORTLAND 2/15 1756-1800 CsW mx, ID WLAD, Cortland, AP Net Nx; lost @ 1801 power cut; in WNYC null (TF-CT)
- 840 WBHY AL MOBILE 2/8 1845 out of REL mx & info on top of WHAS \(\frac{1}{2}\) for KWDF; quite unexpected (\(\text{WPF-IN}\))
  - KWPN NE WEST POINT 2/8 1849 several ads mentg West Point \*Community Bulletin Board, just after WBHY's \$off; soo faded; unn, has been hrd @ SRS in WHAS null (WPF-IL)
- KWDFt LA BALL 2/8 1850 poor/tent; just popped in > KWPN fadeout, From your QOS stn, KWDF+mx; in WHAS null (WPF-IN)
- 1040 WJTB OH NORTH RIDGEFIELD 2/14 1746-1806 GOS mx, praying woman anner; %off mentg 5000 watts & 0730 %on @ 1806 (TF-CT)
- 1050 WDZ IL DECATUR 2/15 2041-45 POP mx; ID @ 2044 Decatur's favorite mx on Decatur's favorite stn-WDZ-mane POP mx; loud, but quickly faded back-Canadian QRM (DS-WI)
- 1070 KFDIT KS WICHITA 2/2 1851 tlk show ¥southern accented annor; promo for Tim Ryan's series on Nicarauga on KAKE-TV; host soliciting calls @ 436-1070; POL ad for Bob Dole in KS caucauses; ID unhrd; fair→poor, %WTSD/WIBC (DP-TL)
- 1190 KWKH LA SHREVEPORT 2/14 1815 was listening to WISN when power dropped, revealing the KWKH Wx Ytemp @ The Radio Ranch, spons by <u>Humphrey Mirs</u> in Bossier City; LA Downs rpt, back to last hour of \*Mmerican Country Countdown; KWKH itself dropped power @ 1900; LA #2; fair Yco-channelhet from someone off frequency (DP-IL) (Dale, KWKH is 50 Kw all hours, but goes DA at night Ya deep null toward you-WRH)
- 1150 WDEL DE WILMINGTON 2/12 1740 way atop Wbiz nx; no sign of usual WRUN (TF-CT)
- 1160 WSKW ME SKOWHEGAN 2/12 1746-1806 Adult Stds, ads for <u>Central ME Power & H & R Block</u>, many canx due to snow; ID for Maine's most powerful AM Stn, 24-hr schedule; way 9WYNS (TF-CT)
- 1170 KVOO OK TULSA 2/14 1854 in \$ @ KVOO, then C&W mx in lull of WJJD-1160 slop; finally logged here for OK #4; poor; hvy QRM (DP-IL)
- 1210 WKNX MI SAGINAW 2/61657 briefly dominant 9WCAU Yads,& <u>Dick Clark</u>'s Rock, Roll, & Remember (LMc-NY)
- 1280 WKST PA NEW CASTLE 1/31 1652 fair, mixing \( \psi \)WADO \( \psi \)promo for upcoming world nx \( \text{0} : 00 \) (LMc-NY)

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1310 CIWW ON OTTAWA - 2/4 1827 %ad for Nissan dlr, then AM 1310 & Cable 91.3 FM from Canada's Capital W-1310+OLD from Neil Diamond; usually good @ SS, WIBA rules freq 0 nite (WPF-IN)

1340 WENT NY GLOWERSVILLE - 2/13 1735 ads, promo for Fulton Onty Omnty College; way atop (TF-CT)

1360 WHBG VA HARRISONBURG - 2/14 1728 %C&W mx, ads; atop freq (TF-CT)

WHBG VA HARRISONBURG - 2/14 1739 good \(\frac{1}{2}\)ID, C&W mx by Crystal Gayle & Kendalls

9unID FB game (LMc-NY)

1370 KSOP UT S SALT LAKE CITY - 2/12 1955 C&W, in/out 'til \(\frac{4}{5}KSOP & \_? \) Utah's Best
@ 1955 (JB-TX)

1380 KGLD MO ST LOUIS - 2/15 2054-56 wx rpt (25'), annot The Amazing Oldies, AM KGLD; ads for AJ's Niteclub 4 ments of K-Gold & Message Manager; SID 1380 K-Gold+OLD; considerable fading %UC stn (DS-WI)

1460 WBRN MI BIG RAPIDS - 2/11 1826 SMN Country#WAIT-850; ads for Revco, Factory
Furniture in Big Rapids, lcl Chevy dlr; famale DJ 9SADD PSA, ID S, Wastern MI wx;
sign WBRN 14-60 AM \$, more mx on the Big Country; Kenny Rogers tune; new; fair-poor;
%torobable KSO (DP-IL)

1480 WCNS PA LATROBE - 2/11 1759 ID+nx; fair (WPT-DC2)

WCNS PA LATROBE - 2/14 2205 wx & extended wx for Westmoreland Cnty; alone (TF-CT)
WLEA NY HORNELL - 2/14 1741 Moments to remember in Great Mx, 1480, WHNL, Hornell, ad (TF-CT)
1550 KAPE MO CAPE GIRARDEAU - 2/5 1855 end of lcl nx, then ads & \*sps & wx; The greatest

550 KAPE MO CAPE GIRARDEAU - 2/5 1855 end of 1cl nx, then ads & ⇒sps & wx; The greatest sound this side of the rockies...Cape R. 1550; what a promo! Thot Chicago had good radio, I guess not-hi; KGWB in null (WPF-IN)

1560 WPAD KY PADUCAH - 2/15 2058-2101 annots Sports Calls on this KY Network Stn & The Country Leader for Paducah, WPAD; MBS PM Nx; weak Yconsiderable fading (DS-WI)

1570 WFLR NY DUNDEE - 2/11 1802 ID Yment of Finger Lakes; fair; #29 on this freq (WPT-DC2) WFLR NY DUNDEE - 2/12 1733 way atop ybiz nx, ads; 9WPGM/WBUX; not hrd in a long time (TF-CT)

WPGM PA DANVILLE - 2/14 1706 poor; briefly, \(\psi\)wx (LMc-NY)

WBUX PA DOYLESTOWN - 2/14 1707 up Yad for <u>Doylestown Auto Parts</u>, then back down Uncise (LMc-NY)

1580 WTYO NJ HAMMONTON - 2/14 1714 fair Yslgn All Your Favorite Mx on WTYO, Where Your Friends Are (LMc-NY)

#### REPORTERS:

WPF-IN Wendell Ford//Westville, IN//ICF-2010

WPT-DC1 Bill Townshend//DXing at home//Realistic Portavision-40 [12-648], TRF [12-650]

WPT-DC2 Bill Townshend//DXing at George Washington U//same equipment

DS-WI Doug Smith//Madison, WI//ICF-2010, barefoot with apartment static

TF-CT Tony Fitzherbert//Fairfield, CT//Superadio; ICF-SSW

JB-TX Jim Boehm//San Antonio, TX//IC-R71A + 18" coax loop

LMc-NY Laura McCusker//Kingston, NY//GE World Monitor, GE Superadio Plus

DP-IL Dale Park//Evanston, IL//Sangean ATS-803

WRH-NY Bill Hale//Johnson City, NY//Superadio

#### SOME ABBREVIATIONS & SPECIAL SYMBOLS USED IN DDXD-E

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## DOMESTIC DX DIGEST - WEST (1)

Nancy Hardy, 2301 Pacific Avenue, Aberdeen, WA 98520

Deadlines for DDXD-West are Sat. March 12, Sat. March 26, Sat. April 16, Sat. May 21 & Sat. June 25. Report!!

#### \*\*SPECIAL\*\*

1030 KJDJ CA SAN LUIS OBISPO - (These are correct calls, not KGDJ as listed last week.--NH) First noted 2/15 0521-0606 with Larry King, NBC News on hour. Fair mixing with KKSA, KTWO off. Barely audible middays with KTNQ-1020. (TRH-CA)

1280 KDUK OR EUGENE - Ex-KQAK 2/12 2005-2009 with inst. type 50s-60s music. Great sig. over all. Good clear ID 2009. (DKK-CA1)

1300 KAKC OK TULSA - 2/12 0159 rock oldies. Deep fades. OK #15. (JT-CO)
1410 KPMS NV LAS VEGAS - 2/2 2012 with "Continuous Country KPM" slogans,
C&W music. Likewise 2/12, so haven't changed to KRAM yet.
(ØW-CO)

KRIL TY ODESSA - 2/1 2259 ID as "KRIL, News Leader for the Permean Basin," then NBC News. Area news & weather at 2305, followed by EZL/NOS stuff. Fair on peaks, but long fades. Ex-KRIG.

1580 KWYD CO COLORADO SPRINGS - 2/12 1628 "On the right side of your dial, KWYD." Back on the air with Gospel music. (JT-CO) Ex-KPIK with relig. music format. Came on around 2/12 or so. Daytime log here. (ØW-CO)

#### MIDDAY TO MIDNIGHT

1360 KKMO WA TACOMA - 2/20 2300-0000 with SS programming. Actually went until 0100. Thought I had something exotic, hah. (DKK-CA)

1410 KQAM KS WICHITA - 2/1 1837 rock oldies, TV program notes, spot for Cherry Orchard Furniture. "1410, KQAM" slogans. Good on peaks, but fady with KCOL nulled. (Øw-CO)

KKUL OR PORTLAND - 2/12 2001 with inst. jazz music. ID "Kool" then legal ID, more jazz music. Smashing everyone. (DKK-CA1)

1430 KYKN OR KEISER - 2/12 2000 way over everyone with many KYKN IDs and into news. (DKK-CA1)

1450 KOBO CA YUBA CITY - 2/11 2330+ likely the station with Sacto Kings BKB o/u KVML et al for next 90 minutes. (DKK-CA)

1470 KELA WA CENTRALIA-CHEHALIS - 2/12 1945-1950 with GREAT signal. Rock music, ads for several local businesses. Really pounding in.

1590 KTIL OR TILLAMOOK - 2/12 1930-1935 well over KLIV with news. ID 1935 and ads for Tillamook businesses. Fine signal. (DKK-CA1)

1600 KEED OR EUGENE - 2/12 1943-1946 smashing everyone with ad for car dealer in Eugene & more ads. Massive signal. (DKK-CA1)

#### MIDNIGHT TO MIDDAY

950 KJR WA SEATTLE - 1/20 0200-0300 female annor., several IDs, light

rock or AdCon music, under KAHI with KABL-960 slop.(DKK-CA)

1030 KDUN OR REEDSPORT - 2/2 1000 "The Voice of the Dune Country--KDUN"
under KKSA until ID, then far under until 1015 when upped
power & ran even with KKSA for 10-15 minutes. (DKK-CA)

KMAS WA SHELTON - 1/20 0251 ID, weather, temp "450 at Radio 1030--KMAS, o/u KKSA with KTWO far under. (DKK-CA)

1040 CKXY BC VANCOUVER - 2/2 0318-0325 with light rock. ID "You heard it right here, on Kicksy" at 0320, over WHO at time. (DKK-CA)

1050 KOFY CA SAN MATEO - 2/15 0700 weakly with oldies and "Nifty 1050" slogans along with unID suspected Canadian oldies IDing as "One-oh-five." (DL-HI)

1070 UNID ??? - 1/27 under KNX 0325-0350 with talk, ads, more talk, mentioned Vancouver at 0333. Prob. CFAX but looped toward CKST. (DKK-CA)

1150 KEZX WA SEATTLE - 2/14 0620 momentarily audible with "Seattle area weather" above KIIS. (DL-HI)

230 KLAV NV LAS VEGAS - 2/2 0530 CNN News, then EZL/NOS music, occas.

program note, "AM 1230" slogans. Poor thru QRM. (ØW-CO)
1240 KCLV NM CLOVIS - 2/3 0339 oldies music with no ads to 0400 ID. In &

out of QRM. 0424 ads for Sparkle Cleaners, others. (ØW-CO)
1300 WKXI MS JACKSON - 2/12 soul music. 0125 Midsouth Power Connection

MS JACKSON - 2/12 soul music, 0125 "Midsouth Power Connection" ID. With KAKC and XEP. (JT-CO)

1310 KCRE CA CRESCENT CITY - 2/15 0830 cutting thru the clutter briefly with ID & adult MOR style instrumentals at the hour when

1320

through the WC dawn mess after KGNR had dropped out. (DL-HI) KIST CA SANTA BARBARA - 2/12 0305-0400 over KMTW et al with female anner and light rock music. Many IDs. Not heard that often

anymore. (DKK-CA) 1360 KZIQ CA RIDGECREST - 2/8 0950 ID & time. Solid atop & into a Bob

Dylan song. (DKK-CA)

1370 KPCO CA QUINCY - 2/12 0227-0300 out of nowhere with ID 0227 over KXTL in KEEN null, then with format that included "Maybe Baby" & "Henery the 8th" whatever that may be. Good clear ID at 0300 o/u KXTL "KPCO, Quincy." New, 2nd closest unheard. (DKK-CA)

KGEN CA TULARE - 2/8 0949 with SS in KEEN null. In well. (DKK-CA) KXTL MT BUTTE - 2/12 0200-0300+ good signal in KEEN null with Larry King o/u KSOP/KPCO. ID 0300 "Since 1927...KXTL, Butte."(DKK)

KSOP UT SOUTH SALT LAKE CITY - 2/12 0105+ in KEEN null o/u KYTL/KPCO with C&W music. 1D atop 0105. (DKK-CA)

1400 KCZN CA SANTA PAULA - 2/13 0240-0400 in well in KBLX null. Many ads C&W music, "KCZN, Country Cousin 1400 for Ventura County." (DKK-CA)

KLTW CA SAN LUIS OBISPO - 2/13 thru KBLX/KCZN with ID 0331. (DKK-CA) 1410 WIZM WI LACROSSE - 2/12 0059 ID "Newsradio 1410 WIZM" followed by NBC News. Spot for Natural Nutrition House at 0106, then Larry King. Good over QRM. (ØW-CO)

1420 KYNG OR COOS BAY - 2/8 0946 atop with ID & into "The Twist." (DKK-CA) 1450 KEST CA SAN FRANCISCO - 2/15 0320 noted running nearly even with dominant KVEN last 2 MMs with Black evangelist. Voice-over ID slipped in on the half hour. (DL-HI)

SONORA - 2/12 0000 with ID "Voice of the Mother Lode and A's KVML CA baseball, we are KVML Sonora" in KEST null over KOBO. (DKK-CA)

KVEN CA VENTURA - 1/18 0530 "KVEN Newstalk" ID in KEST null. (DKK) 1470 KBSN WA MOSES LAKE - 2/8 0937 thru XERCN with local news/weather. (DKK-CA)

1510 KTIM CA SAN RAFAEL - 2/8 0931 s/on under KZZI in KGA null. (DKK-CA) WEST JORDAN - 2/8 0930 s/on with full annets in KGA null. KZZI UT Was over KTIM's s/on a minute later. (DKK-CA)

#### REPORTERS

TRH-CA/Tim Hall, Chula Vista, CA/Sony ICF-2010, Radio West loop DKK-CA/Don Kaskey, San Francisco, CA/Patrolman SW-60 DKK-CA1/Don Kaskey, Rockaway Beach (Pacifica), CA/Patrolman SW-60 DL-HI/Doug Lamerson, DX ing from Makapu'u Pt., O'ahu/Superadio II & unamp.

JT-CO/Jeff Tynan, Parker, CO/Sony 2002 & loop ØW-CO/John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO/R1000, R390A, 4º loop





## INTERNATIONAL DX DIGEST

Chuck Hutton, 1237 Lanier Blvd., Atlanta, GA 30306

404-873-2785 BEFORE 2300 ELT

Deadline: Monday Times are GMT For ELT substract 5 hours. 

All from Ben Dangerfield this time....

DOMINICA local like signal all evening here 2/22 and 2/23, best at 0220. 595

JAMAICA Montego Bay completely dominating this freq from 0100 to 0200 700 and later. Hardly a sign of WLW. On 2/23.

ST. VINCENT strong and clear at 0145 on 2/23. 705

JAMAICA Kingston topped all here on 2/23 before and after 0200. 720

WEST GERMANY AFN Frrankfurt heard well around 0200 on 2/22, when most 873 frequencies any lower were dominated by stations from the Caribbean area, mostly Cubans.

EAST GERMANY Wachenbrunn was on top here with a fair signal around 0215 882 on 2/22.

WEST GERMANY Hamburg heard with fair signal 0130 on 2/22.

WEST GERMANY Rheinsender in with very good signal at 0217 on 2/22. Also 1017 heard before this with weaker ignal same night.

WEST GERMANY AFN stations probably topped by Munich, in with super 1107 signal on 2/22 from 0200 to after 0215 // 873 and 1143.

ITALY synchros very good on 2/22 before and after 0215. 1116

YUGOSLAVIA Spain mixed but strong around 0215 on 2/22. Have noticed that 1134 the Yugo powerhouse has been weaker of late.

USSR Kaliningrad good signal at 0200 on 2/22. Program seemed to be // to 1143 the Russian relay on 1386.

WEST GERMANY AFN Stuttgart on 2/22 at 0200 was behind the above Soviet, but at 0212 was on top and // to other AFN's.

MOROCCO Agadir was on top, weakly, at 0130 on 2/22. 1197

WEST GERMANY VOA Munich in barely at 0215 same night. 2 years ago this 1197 VOA was an armchair regular. Evidently changed their pattern a while ago.

WEST GERMANY DLF Neumunster local type signal on 2/22 from 0120 to 0145. 1269 Operatic soprano // 1539.

POLAND Krakow etc. on top at 0145 on 2/22, but there were others behind 1368 which I couldn't identify.

WEST GERMANY Saar in with good signal on 2/22 at 0110 and after; seemed to be a talk show.

AUSTRIA Vienna the dominant signal at 0100 on 2/22, but the presence of 1476 Spanish stations was making this freq a jumble.

POLAND was dominant between 0100 and 0200 on 2/22, but as on 1476, various Spanish stns were in and out.

UNIDS strong carriers here on 2/22 between 0100 and 0300, and I suspect there was some Czech and Saudi. Not much audio. I usually get clear audio from the Saudi. At 0300 the carrier was so strong that the folks in Buffalo must have been complaining. Still lacked positive audio.

WEST GERMANY DLF Mainflingen very clear around 0130 on 2/22. Same 1539 program as 1269.

UNID heard at various times on 2/22 between 0045 and 0200, worked at but 1548 couldn't figure, Maybe Ukraine.

WEST GERMANY Langenberg this one was heard around 0100 on 2/22 but to hear it I had to loop local WCZN so there wasn't much left of the signal.







# Radio's 'Rooster' still crowing after 30 years

The Morning Rooster (not his real species) really had something. to crow about Tuesday morning 30 straight years of roostering,

"Gracias," he would say to the numerous well-wishers who called early to congratulate him on his extraordinary achievement. "Gra-cias Muchas gracias"

Then the tape-recorded barnyard fowl would crow in the background of his home basement studio and Jose Chapa, the Hispanic community's Morning Rooster since the late 1950s. would turn back to his microphone and begin reading the

Economic conference in Brazil. Famous singer slain in Mexico. Conflict mediation plans in Nicaragua. Pôlé's remarks about a soccer tournament spark South

American controversy. .... Chapa, 68, is something of an anachronism. His one-hour daily radio program, broadcast live on a small station at 6 a.m. from his rooster-decorated house in Elmwood Park, is now only a quaint boutique in what has become the big business of Spanishlanguage broadcasting.

His wire-service machine burbles away in the laundry room, disgorging an endless ribbon of news from Latin America. The wood-paneled studio down the hall past the pool and Ping-Pong tables is a cozy, electronic nest filled with microphones, tape machines, control knobs, records and, nearly everywhere you look, rooster icons.

Roosterabilia are on the wall; perched atop the "On Air" light, upstairs by the TV, on top of the bookcase, bracketing a lettersorter and, in ceramic, under a table by the window.

"Using the rooster was on my mind from the very beginning, said Chapa, "Because of the hour

### Hometowns

Eric Zorn

and because our listeners are working-class people. They like the reminder of the country."

Chapa once tried having a live rooster in the studio with him, but the bird did not get along with the recorded rooster that heralds Chapa several times each show, crowing in response and causing Chapa to laugh through his newscasts.

Also in the rooster-tale file is Chapa's account of a predawn police raid in the early 1960s in which officers allegedly came around to the door of a house inhabited by Chapa fans, persuaded by neighbors that the family was keeping a live rooster on the

It's cute stuff. But behind the bird trademark is a serious journalist who has been a serious pioneering force in Spanish-language nicutions in Chicago since he offered the first news-based radio show for Spanish speakers here in September, 1953.

Everyone told me I was going ful," he said. "But instead found a great hunger out there."

Chapa's specialty, then as now, was news from home. He used short-wave radio, foreign newspapers and Spanish newswire services to put together reports from the countries many of his listeners had recently left. He bought time from radio stations by the hour and earned his living by selling commercials within his

His success in attracting advertisers over the years eventually caught the eye of other entrepreneurs, and the Chicago area some 7,000 others before it,

the Control of the co



radio program from his home in Elmwood Park.

now has three full-time commercial Spanish stations and two Spanish-language television

"I set the table and they came to cat," said Chapa matter-of-

"We owe a lot to Jose Chapa," agreed Maura Donohue, sales manager for WOJO-FM, the most prominent local Spanish radio station. "His reputation and his loyal following have meant a

Figures from the Arbitron ratings service suggest that his weekly audience is somewhat less than 30,000 listeners, but Chapa thinks the service undermeasures Hispanics and that his audience is seven or eight times that.

Tuesday's landmark show, like

began with a rooster call and then a song. This time the song was "Parece Que Fue Ayer" Seems Like It Was Yesterday').

But Chapa acknowledged offmike that, actually, it does seem like a long time since Dec. 1, 1957, when he took over the 6 a.m. hour on WSBC (AM 1240). He has owned the shift ever since, always buying his time and selling his own commercials just like nu merous other ethnic broadcasters on a handful of Chicago's timebrokered radio stations. But no one in Chicago radio and, Chapa says, no one in U.S. Spanish language broadcasting, can claim similar longevity.

One of the wall decorations in the study of Chapa's brick ranchstyle bungalow features a rooster

(of course) over the motto "Lo dijo Chapa"-"Chapa said it."

"People would say this," he said, pointing to the words. "Someone would repeat some news and another person would say 'How do you know?' The answer was 'Lo dijo Chapa.' It stands for my truthful-

Chapa was a Mexican magazine journalist who worked in New York and Washington before coming to Chicago to write his legacy in broadcasting. In the early 1960s, threats by pro-Castro Cubans who thought his newscasts were anti-Castro convinced Chapa to relocate his program to his home in Maywood, where he broadcast out of a room on the first floor.

And he has stayed at home ever since, operating his peculiar little cottage industry out of houses in Hillside and now Elmwood Park. He buys his hour for more than \$200 a day and sells a couple of dozen commercial spots for up to \$30 each to such sponsors as a supermarket chain, a local dentist, Illinois Bell and a Pilsen shoe store.

His son, Jose Jr., 29, shuffles these commercials, the rooster calls and public-service announcements in and out of tape machines as he engineers the program while sitting across a desk from his father, often snapping his fingers and pointing at the clock to keep his old man's at-

Tuesday's show whirled by quickly. News about butterflies in Mexico and a murdered TV cameraman from Santo Domingo. Commercials for a bakery and a restaurant. Kudos from listeners.

The Morning Rooster ended his show with words his audience might well like to say to him: "Gracias y felicidades." Thank you, and best

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Once again, we're a little light on the Musings, although two out of three deal with Memories, this week's theme. However, you'll be reading a nice selection of Musings next week from present/former editors/officials of NRC, that I promise. Your next deadline, as we skip a week, is March 7, for radio-oriented vanity license plate owners, or bumper stickers, and on 3-26 (if not before!) I hope to receive some new Musings theme ideas. And now ... on with it!

#### In the beginning

Chris Cuomo - 670 3rd Ave. - Verona, PA 15147-1349

I wrote this Muse to meet the February 20 deadline for DX memories. I began DX ing in June 1982 in this way. I was in the car late one night listening to a radio show. The station ID ed as "6-60 wNBC New York". At that time I had never really heard of the DX hobby and was amazed to be hearing a station from the Big Apple on the radio. I tried DX'ing the following night to see if I could hear WNBC again. Along with it I also heard WNBC, WCBS, WCFL (now WLUP), EXEL, and WTCD. DX'ing was very difficult without any logs to help. One time I spent two hous trying to ID a station which actually turned out to be QRM from KCV. One of my early lists of catches includes "WARO Cannonsburg, PA (now WWCS), WKBN Youngstown, OH ... 1560 WTOD Toledo, OH, classical music station (WQXR of course)".

Over the years I have branched out into other areas of the radio spectrum like FM, VMF, CB, and TV. But most of my DX'ing is still done on MW. I have now logged over 500 stations in 33 states, 3 provinces, and 6 countries. I am not big on verifying, though. I know only one other DX'er personally and he doesn't seek verifictions, either. Ever-increasing postal rates haven't helped, either, hi.

Locally, two CL changes that haven't appeared in AMS as of yet. 1510-Monroeville, PA changes calls once again, from WNVU to WCXJ. This is the fifth call used by this station in five years. WIKN-970 dropped the talk format and is now oldies with the call WMSW to match its FM. I heard the station on Pebruary 9 playing hours worth of different versions of the song "Louie Louie". This station is not going to last very long if they play things like that. The station ID's as "Three-W-S".

Thank to Mike Knitter for the info on my TIS booklet. For those of you interested the book is fairly accurate and contains all information about TIS's. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 for SaH for the TIS/HAR Guide from Gilfer Shortwave - 52 Park Ave. - Park Ridge, NJ 07656. High priced, yes, but well worth it.

Considering the length of February 14 DXN, it would be interesting if when the time there will be a skinny DXN to reprint the first DXN. Just a thought. 73's.

César Objío - Calle Enrique Henriquez 69 - Santo Domingo - Dom. Rep.

(809) 687-3597 (Evenings - no collect calls) Hi, friends. I have been silent for a long time, but my silence seemed to be increased with the sudden death of Ronald Schatz in Miami. It was the greatest blow I received. I did not know what to say as it was so surprising, so unexpected that I could not speak when I received a letter from Jens M. Frost, from Denmak, with that terrible news. What had nappened to him? A call to Glenn Hauser in Miami and I received some information from him. I can say he was the best friend I had in the U. S. Whenever I visited Miami he was always willing to come to my hotel to talk or to go out to dinner. I shared his equipent and his knowledge, and he brought me back to collaborate with the WRTH. He was a very good friend of ours. My wife and daughter considered him as a member of the family. He even intended to visit Santo Domingo last December for Christmas, and I was already looking forward to have him here.

The last time he visited us we made a trip along the border with Haiti, from S. D. to the west to Elias Piña, to the north to Monte Cristi, and to the southeast back to S. D. It was a wonderful trip.

Why am I remembering all this? Because on Sunday, Feb. 7, I received a radio I bought from him on April, 1987. Why the delay? Because as I could no longer visit Miami on the reason that I was not working anymore at Dominicana Airlines in S. D. (when there is a change of government in this country most of the employees are also changed), so I told him to deliver it to some relatives in Miami who could bring it to me. But despite the fact thay they came to S. D. several times they did not bring it. Then after 8 months I told them to ship it to a brother of mine living in Puerto Rico, which they did. My brother came here last Sunday, and he brought it with him. At last.

It is a Realistic DX-00 with digital readout which I needed badly for my trips to the country with my cousin Franklin in order to check the Dominican staions (I hope you have been reading my stories of DX-peditions). We are also in the preparation of an FM list of stations in the Dominican Republic.

Well, I think this is too long. I'll stop here and continue on the next issue. If any of you wish to write to me, I am willing to answer and will do my best with any request. Yours with lots of DX for all of you.

DX was sporty in January, with only two new logs. DX'ing with the R-390A on 1-4, I found WDWE-1340 in ME prevailing on its channel from 5:08 to 5:13 pm, with ample data for a report. At 5:05 I heard an ID from the new WLAW-1490 in W. H., but not enuf for a log. DX'ing with the Supradio II on 1-24, I heard weak TP intermittently during the scheduled WWW-630 Test, way under WPRO/CHLT/CFCO.

I sent an inquiring "long-shot tentative" report for one intriguing segment when 1 need the SSB sandwiched between two interludes of TF. Two wooks later, I received a definite v/1, giving me my second new log. TA reception remained spotty with only prief receptions on 1314/1512/1593. New veries are WVW-630 test, WFAN-1050, wwQW-1120, RAI-1332, wDx-1340, WWGT-1440, and Radio Cayman-1555. I also re-verified CTMR-1190 and WQDY-1230, with v/letters to replace old pxc.

For the third year in a row I rang in the New Year with Ray and Ariene Arruda White they were visiting Montreal. 73.

Grand Forks Herald, Sunday, February 14, 1988

# KFGO sold to new corporation

### Owners won't change formats of stations popular in Grand Forks

KFGO-AM and KFGO-FM, two Fargo stations that penetrate Grand Forks' competitive radio market, are changing hands. But not formats.

Communications Properties Inc. announced last week it is selling the stations to Fargo-Great Plains Broadcasting Inc., a new corporation. The license transfer requires Federal Communications Commission approval; it may come within the next three months, without problems.

Sale terms were not disclosed.

"We anticipate no format changes and no staff changes. We are very well positioned in the marketplace," said Richard Voight, a principal in both corporations. He will remain KFGO general manager and chief operating officer.

KFGO-AM (790) is a 5,000-watt country music, news, weather and information station affiliated with ABC. It won the prestigious George Peabody Award for its non-stop coverage of a Feb. 24, 1984, blizzard.

The 100,000-watt KFGO-FM (101.9) switched in early January from an easy listening format to a light adult contemporary music—"more vocal and a little hrighter." Voight said.

"I'm excited about the new corporation. Our goal is to keep them in a growing mode," Voight said from Fargo.

Voight and Phillip Kelly, of Dubuyel, lowa. form Communications Properties. which also owns radio stations in Dubuque and Albert Lea, Minn. It took controlling interest of KFGO-AM about 10 years ago and, in 1986, acquired an FM station. KRRZ, and changed the call letters.

"Basically," Voight said, "all that's really happening is that we're taking my partner's equity out and hringing in several new partners."

Besides Voight, principals of Fargo-Great Plains Broadcasting are Frederick Wall, Pierce McNally and Charles Burns and Dunmore Capital Group Inc.



#### Mike Brue

Wall, who controls the largest interest, is chief executive officer of Wall Companies, which owns financial institutions throughout the Upper Midwest. It also develops and manages real estate holdings, including the Foshay Tower, once the largest building in downtown Minneapolis.

McNally is a stockholder and member of the board of directors of Midwest Communications Inc., the privately held parent corporation of Minnesota radio powerhouse WCCO-AM, for years the Twin Cities' most-listened-to station. Midwest also owns WLTE-FM and WCCO-TV in the Twin Cities. But Nidwest is not involved with the Fargo-Great Plains group, McNally stressed.

Dummore Capital Group, a Minneapolis-based private investment banking firm, was buyer's agent in the negotiations and became a principal in the new corporation. Burns is Dummore president and chief executive officer.

The KFGO stations reach 72 counties in North Dakota, Minnesota and South Dakota and serve more than 500,000 people, according to Voight.

"One of the things that attracted me and the group of people that had been assembled ... was the similarities with other dominant AM stations that have FM stations with significant growth potential," McNally said from Minneapolis. "It was very close to what I know best in the business."

KFGO-AM was the highest-ranked Fargo station among listeners in the Grand Forks area last spring, according to Arbitron, a national ratings firm. In Arbitron's survey, KFGO-AM ranked seventh among listeners 12 years old and older (KKXL-FM was first) and tied for third among listeners 35 to 64 (KNOX-AM ranked first) in Grand Forks and Polk counties.

In Arbitron's Fargo-Moorhead survey, KFGO-AM finished behind WDAY-FM among listeners 12 years old and older between 6 a.m. and midnight. But, Voight notes, the station dominated the 25-and-older audience — its target audience — during the same time period. WDAY-AM is its primary competitor in Fargo, be said.

KFGO-FM ranked seventh among nine Fargo-Moorhead stations in Arbitron's 12-and-older group ratings last year, and tied for eighth in the Grand Forks survey, Arbitron reported. In Fargo, KLTA-FM is its main competitor.

"We would like to keep (the AM) the dominant adult information station" in the Fargo-Moorhead area, he said. "On the FM, we would like to be the dominant adult music station." While KFGO aims at a regional au-

dience, Voight concedes the difficulty of dominating a major community outside Fargo-Moorhead, such as Grand Forks. "The people in Grand Forks would want Grand Forks news," he said. "We cover major events there, but that





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