

Youngstown Area EAS Test Schedule

Both the Ohio AND Western Pennsylvania schedules are posted: WWW.SBE122.US

The 2023 regional information on EAS testing schedules are posted on our website.

From: Broadcasters' Desktop Resource



by Barry Mishkind

3/13/23 – **KID Radio (590), in Idaho Falls is about to end a 94 year history** by turning in its license. Briefly stated, the farmer who managed the site with the three KID towers, knocked on over – and the site owner took the insurance money. Legal actions ensued, but eventually the land owner knocked over the other two towers and removed the transmission gear. Faced with \$1.5 to 2 million to rebuild, the station could not justify the costs and turned in the license.

For more than three decades, the trio of towers that broadcast KID's signal were located on 46 acres of property in Iona, ID. But that changed in November 2021 when Rich Broadcasting President Rich Mecham says the farmer that managed the property knocked down one of the 400-foot-tall towers. That led to a nearly year-long back and forth to secure the insurance settlement to rebuild the tower. But then Rich Broadcasting had an unexpected twist arrive in the mail.

Mecham says they received a letter from the tower site owner alerting the station that he had received the insurance payment for what he believed to be his radio tower. While Rich Broadcasting was in the process of clarifying that it, in fact, owned the towers, the landowner demolished the remaining two KID towers, destroyed the transmitter building, and removed the transmitter and all of the station's broadcast equipment

KID first signed-on in Dec. 1928 using the KGIO call letters at 1320 AM. The following year it switched to the KID call sign. It moved to 1350 AM in 1942, and then to its 590 dial position in 1950.

If you are keeping score:

- * **Feb 20:** RWTs went out normally
- * **Feb 27:** RWTs went out with invalid signature
- * **Mar 6:** RWTs went out with invalid signature
- * **March 13:** RWTs went out with invalid signature
- * **March 20:** RWTs were not sent

3/13/23 – All time zones should find the IPAWS CAP RWT failed again, for the third week in a row.

According to information, the new digital certificate is now due to be installed mid-week. The previous one expired in late February.

If you normally log the CAP RWT, mark this down as a failed test. If you have a DASDEC and it looks like a normal test, you need to fix a selection at: Setup > Net Alerts > CAP Deconde, and uncheck “Accept unverifiable signed alerts” under “View Advanced Options.”

A Look At FCC Enforcement

3/15/23 – [1.1151](#) – Another station, this one **KIRT in Mission, TX**, has gotten an adverse reaction from the FCC for not paying regulatory fees in 2012, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021 – more than \$30k. The [Order to Show Cause](#) give the station 60 days to pay up or face deletion.

3/15/23 – **511** – The FCC EB has delivered on its threat to fine pirate stations and/or landlords. Two such fines were issued this week, [the big one was \\$2,316,034 issued to two brothers](#) operating a station in Queens, NY. The NALF notes the brothers had been at it since at least 2014, and had ignored a previous NALF and a seizure of their transmission gear by US Marshalls in 2016.

The other pirate station was in [Oregon, the NALF was for \\$80,000](#), really small compared to the Ayora brothers.

The Virtual Lunch Gathering!

Each Thursday at 2 PM Eastern, 11 AM Pacific, we get together to discuss topics of interest to broadcasters and learn things.

The meeting is held using Zoom to prevent Zoombombing the URL is not published on the web.

Broadcasters Are Invited, [\(Go to Barry’s site\) To Get An Invite.](#)

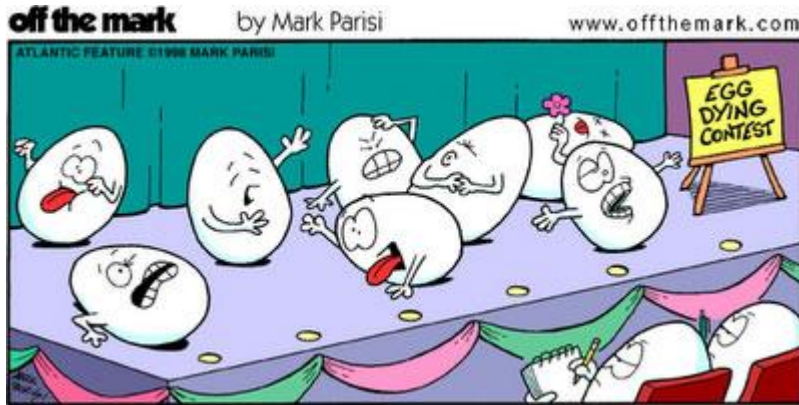
Recordings of the meetings are usually posted a day or so afterward.

At this time, they are being posted at Youtube on [theBDRnet channel](#).

(So you can leave the local SBE 122 meeting, and then check into Barry's meeting for the latest info.)

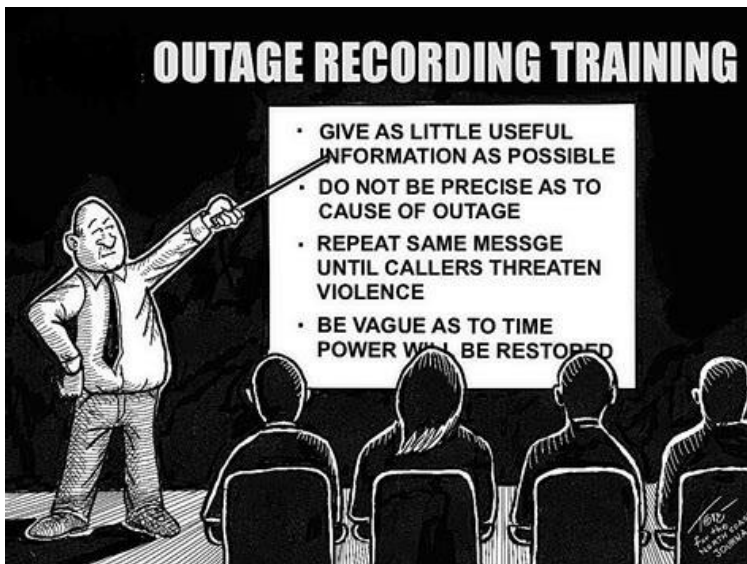
Thanks to Barry and the BDR, a great source for the latest news of the industry.

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2023 Elected Officers and Committees

President:	Robert Flis	WFMJ TV
Vice President:	Wes Boyd	Retired/ Semi Homeless, and happy !
Treasurer:	Mike Orto	WYSU / Youngstown State Univ.
Secretary :	John Clarke	iHeart Media Youngstown
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1 Ghz and UP	Robert Flis	Under 1 Ghz
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WHAT THE GOVERNMENT DOESN'T WANT YOU TO KNOW:

People spontaneously combust all the time!
That's why you see so many sneakers hanging from the powerlines!





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SBE Launches Eighth Compensation Survey

Through May 16, 2023, the Society of Broadcast Engineers will conduct a survey to determine salary levels and benefits among broadcast and media technology engineers. The SBE conducted its first survey in 2016. This eighth survey continues to help us establish a baseline for subsequent surveys and build compensation trends.

The complete results of the survey will be available at no charge to SBE members as a benefit of membership. A [link to the survey](#) is posted on the SBE website.



With the theme, The SBE and YOU: The Perfect Fit, the SBE will launch the 2023 Membership Drive on March 1, 2023, running through May 31, 2023. As with Membership Drives in previous years, SBE members are encouraged to recruit new members, and in doing so, the recruiter could win prizes from the SBE and donated by SBE Sustaining Members. The Grand Prize is a trip to the SBE National Meeting in the fall.

The SBE wants your help in recruiting new members, and you can win rewards for your efforts. Sponsor a new Member, Associate Member or Sustaining Member between March 1 and May 31, 2023, and you will be eligible for the prize drawings. For each approved new member application you sponsor you will earn \$5 off your 2024 membership dues, up to \$25. If you recruit three or more Regular or Associate Members, or one Sustaining Member, you will also receive an upgrade to [SBE MemberPlus](#) for the remainder of the 2023 membership period. (If you already hold SBE MemberPlus, the benefit will be added for 2024.)



Each new member application may have only one sponsor. Applications must be received at the SBE National Office between March 1 and May 31, 2023, to be eligible. Drawing for all prizes will be completed by June 25, 2023.

[Complete details of the 2023 Membership Drive](#) are posted on the **SBE website.**

Don't forget to check out the SBE website. WWW.SBE.ORG

Some of the info available..

[2023 SBE RF Safety Course](#)

[Job Security and What to Do If You Are Fired](#)

[Last-Mile Solutions for Cloud-Based Broadcasting: Part 2](#)

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I am a BROADCAST ENGINEER

With apologies to my fellow techie brethren!

by Aaron Read



HOW WE THINK OF OURSELVES



HOW WE WISH WE WERE



HOW THE STATION OWNERS THINK OF US



HOW PEOPLE THINK OF US WHEN WE FIX THEIR COMPUTER



HOW PEOPLE THINK OF US THE REST OF THE TIME



HOW WE REALLY ARE

It's okay, Sonof!