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Meeting Minutes 10/8/2015

Sorry to disappoint everyone but I have not received a copy of that meetings minutes .

So I'll fill this space with memorable Thanksgiving pictures instead !



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OHHH Lookie what WE got !!



Monthly Meeting

Café 422

8586 South Ave Boardman, Oh 44514 330-629 2422

(about a mile south of the Clear Channel radio complex)

(OR 680 to Western reserve Exit, turn right/west. Then turn right/north on South Avenue)

Meeting: Nov 12 th , 2nd Thursday Monthly Starting just after 12 noon



RF plumbing at the Empire State Building

Stolen from: *Broadcasters' Desktop Resource*
by Barry Mishkind (www.thebdr.net)

FEMA continues to roll out regional tests of the IPAWS system. This time, on November 17th at 4:20 EST, the NPT test sequences will be sent to stations in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, and Nevada. The location code PEP code will also be part of the test, although the 000000 apparently will not be used as it is not required until next year. There will again be several online seminars available to answer questions. Check with fema.gov for details.

For the AMers out there... Interesting information on AM Revitalization R&O

11/4/15 - Section 333 - The FCC still does not like signal jammers - and are doing more and more crackdowns on hotels playing the game to charge huge fees for WiFi access. About a year ago, Marriott Hotels agreed to a \$600k Consent Decree. Smart City paid \$750k earlier this year. And now M.C. Dean has [an NALF for \\$718k](#) - adjusted up from \$182k - for jamming WiFi signals at the Baltimore Convention Center, so they could charge up to \$1095 for access to their WiFi signals. The FCC noted that this went on even after the previous cases and Public Notice was made explaining the FCC's decision and position.

10/29/15 - The Empire State Building celebrated 50 years of FM operation, with a light show and simulcast of Steely Dan's "FM (No Static At All)" on WCBS-FM. There is a link to a video of the event.

The FCC moved to raise the amount of "foreign ownership." In simple terms, the old 25% limit is raised to 49.9% ... largely due to investment pressures to make broadcast investment easier and to reflect that so many corporations where the individual ownership is not easily identified.

10/28/15 - Have you noticed a distinct fall-off in the NALs since June? There are rumors that the FCC's cutbacks in the Field Offices has been rocky, and the offices are not as productive as before. Congress is even asking if the FCC has an Enforcement Strategy

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