

## **KULPSVILLE WINTER SWL FESTIVAL 2016 – IN MEMORIAM**

### **DXERS/SWLs, hobbyists, etc.**

#### **Martin Peck – February 28, 2015**

Martin was well known to many of us from his annual visits to the Winterfest.

#### **Bob Montgomery – March 6, 2015**

Bob was a former editor of the DX Downstairs column for the Lowdown journal; a regular visitor to the SWL Winterfest

#### **Alfred Zoer - May 21, 2015. Via Risto Vahakainu**

Don't know his age, but he must have been relatively young. He was a long-time pirate radio operator and best-known because of his shortwave pirate station Alfa Lima International on e.g. 15070 kHz. This was well heard in Finland and other parts of Europe

#### **Eldon "Sanders" Luoma – Langley, BC - Via Patrick Martin**

I got the sad news that long time DXer and radio enthusiast, and a very active in the hobby for many years and a dear friend, Eldon "Sanders" Luoma passed away at 64 in early July. He had been a member of the IRCA in the past. I had talked with him a week ago on the phone from his location in Ontario and he wasn't feeling well, stating he had Acid Reflux, but it must have been more serious than that. He will be really missed and also at 64 so young.

#### **David Jones – September 9, 2015**

David Jones, of Nashville, TN, a longtime DXer and attendee at many ANARC radio conventions, died from injuries sustained when struck by a car on September 6. He was 62 years old.

#### **John Vodenik – October 20, 2015**

John, WB9AUJ, a former engineer with the Voice of America, shortwave listener and amateur radio operator passed away in Sharonville, OH at the age of 68. He attended numerous ANARC conventions, Winterfests and Dayton Hamventions.

#### **James Strader – October 29, 2015**

James Donald Strader, age 62, died peacefully on Thursday, October 29th surrounded by his family. Born on October 12th, 1953 in Winthrop Massachusetts, a son of Henry Strader and Mildred (Walker) Strader. He grew up in Orient Heights, East Boston and Watertown, New York. He was a long time resident of Middleborough Massachusetts. Jim attended many Winter SWL Festivals.

#### **William "Bill" Westenhaver – November 17, 2015**

Bill passed away at the age of 63. Born in Angola, Indiana, he spent most of his adult life in Montreal. He worked for Radio Canada International's audience relations department before moving on to a position in CBC/Radio-Canada's head office. He was a member of CIDX, Speedx and original co-host of the Int. Radio Report on CKUT in Montreal.

#### **George Brown - December 22, 2015**

80 years old of Longniddry, East Lothian after a short illness. George had been a member of BDXC since 1985 and was also a member of several other DX clubs, notably the Danish SW Club International. George had a keen interest in the hobby, including both medium and short-wave DXing since 1952. He was also a regular attendee at European DX Council conferences over many years, including the most recent conference in St Petersburg in September 2015.

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## **BROADCASTERS/PERSONALITIES/ETC.**

### **Don Weeks – March 11, 2015**

WGY AM 810 Schenectady radio host Don Weeks, who parlayed comedic timing, a quicksilver wit and vocal mimicry skills into one of the most celebrated and durable careers in local broadcast, died Wednesday at home after a long struggle with a rare autoimmune disorder and cancer. He was 76. Known as "Uncle Don" to two generations of WGY (810 AM) listeners, he brought a folksy style to a variety format. His conversation with on-air sidekicks meandered across news items, weather updates, school closings and zany comedy bits. Fans found his homespun humor as welcome as a freshly brewed cup of coffee early in the morning.

### **Jurgen Gothe – April 9, 2015**

Broadcaster, bon vivant, self-taught music expert, and wine connoisseur Jurgen Gothe passed away in Vancouver, BC. The Berlin-born Gothe was 71 years old. Gothe is best known as the former host of the national DiscDrive show, which aired on CBC Radio 2 from 1985 to 2008. It featured an eclectic mix of classical, jazz, and other forms of music, mixed in with Gothe's trenchant observations and comments about his cat.

### **Margaret Juntwait – June 3, 2015**

American radio broadcaster, host of Metropolitan Opera's Saturday afternoon radio broadcasts (2004–2014), died at age 58

### **Sir Terry Wogan – January 31, 2016**

Veteran BBC broadcaster Sir Terry Wogan has died aged 77, after a short illness, his family has confirmed. In a statement, they said: "Sir Terry Wogan died today after a short but brave battle with cancer. Limerick-born Sir Terry had a 50-year career on radio and television, including presenting Wake up to Wogan on BBC Radio 2 and the Wogan chat show on BBC1.