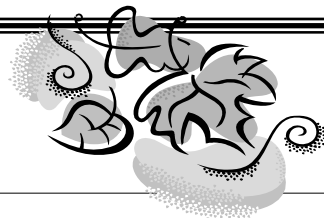


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LCRPA is run by
community volunteers
and is supported by
local donors.

It's Party Time at the Ox Again!

The Last Chance Public Radio Association (LCRPA) is celebrating its 27th year of bringing great public radio broadcasting to Greater Helena with its annual fundraising auction. This year's auction will be held on Saturday, November 19th at 6:00 pm at the Staggering Ox in the Lundy Center at 400 Euclid Ave.

Last Chance Public Radio works with the local community to raise money to maintain translators on top of Hogback Mountain that broadcast the signals of Yellowstone Public Radio (KEMC) and Bozeman's KGLT to Helena. LCRPA also supports Montana Public Radio (KUFM) with financial and volunteer support.

Every fall, generous local merchants, artists, and artisans donate items to be auctioned, such as pottery, jewelry, raft trips, aromatherapy, baskets, paintings, photography, books, and a wide variety of gift certificates for food and services. If you would like to make a donation, contact Dawn North at 443-4284.

The Prickly Pear String Band will break out their instruments for the enjoyment of this year's attendees.

Auction goers will be treated to great foods from local favorites including Staggering Ox, Mediterranean Grill, Chili O'Brien's Catering and others. Local brewing companies Blackfoot River and Lewis & Clark are providing their products to the cause. Wine will also be available.

Reserve Saturday evening, November 19th on your calendar to celebrate another great year of public radio in Helena at the Staggering Ox, and help fund the coming year!

Admission is \$15 for individuals and \$25 for couples.



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Website Upgrades

Last Chance Public Radio recently upgraded its website! We'd like to thank Montana Internet Corporation for donating web hosting to our organization. Kudos also go to Fred Gifford and Gregg Wheeler for making this happen.

Our website is now more up-to-date and we will strive to keep it that way. In addition we created a PayPal donation account linked to the website so you can now make donations or pay your auction bill via credit card.

We also created a Facebook page where we will post the latest information about events and news related to public radio. We ask you to "Like" our page from our website at www.lastchanceradio.org.



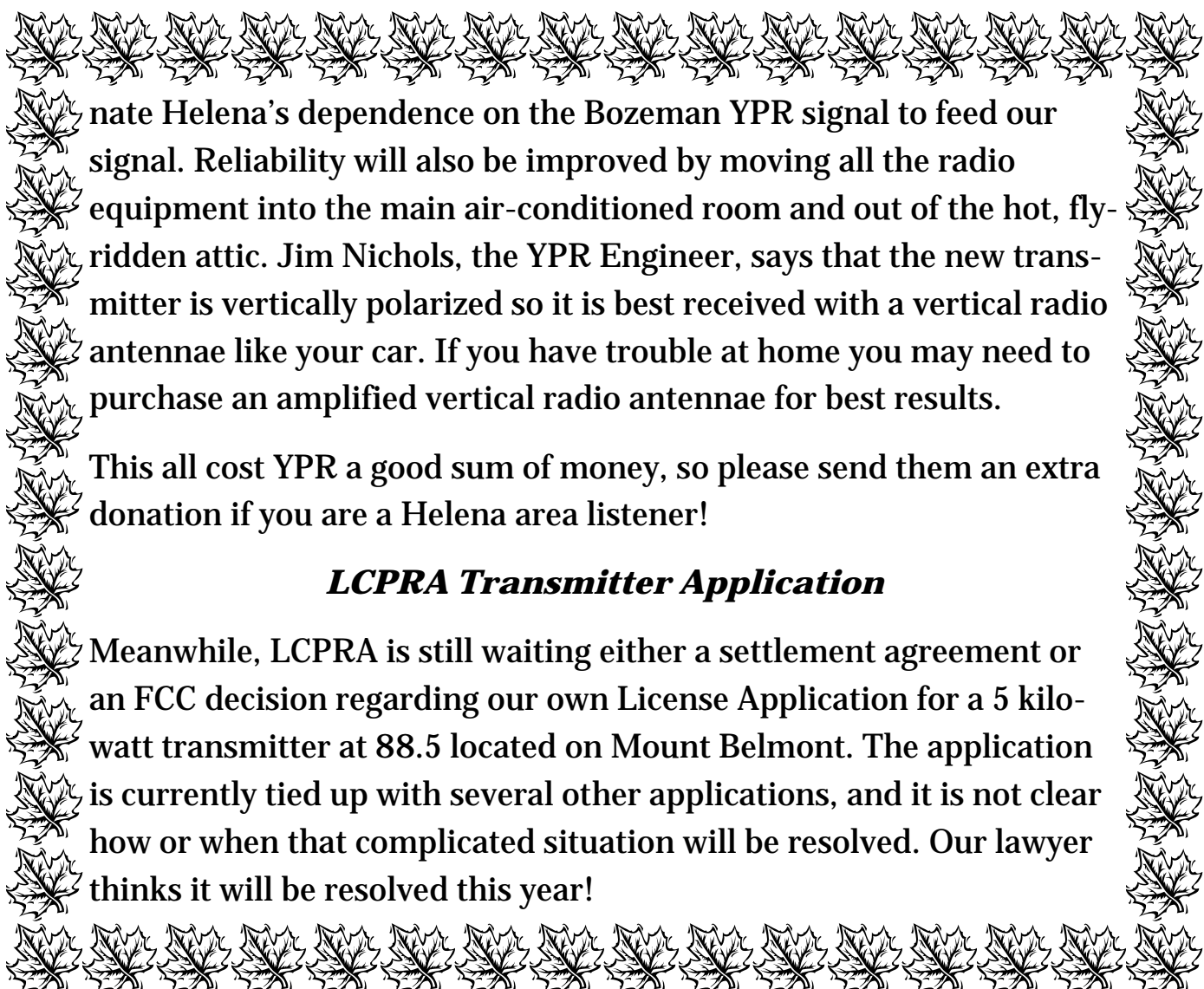
Yellowstone Public Radio Transmitter Goes Live at 89.1 FM!

Montana State University, Billings, aka Yellowstone Public Radio (YPR) or KEMC, recently completed installation of their new transmitter (89.1) on Hogback Mountain. The transmitter will replace the current Last Chance Public Radio Association (LCPRA) translator at 96.7. YPR has turned on the transmitter and it is now live! This change will protect YPR programming in Helena for the foreseeable future.

We hope to continue transmitting YPR on our translator (96.7) through the winter. However, by next summer the license for 96.7 will revert to a new owner as agreed in the settlement that allowed YPR to get the transmitter license. **Please change your YPR radio tuning to 89.1 FM!**

The new YPR transmitter upgrades the current signal with a slightly more powerful signal and a satellite downlink. The downlink will elimi-





nate Helena's dependence on the Bozeman YPR signal to feed our signal. Reliability will also be improved by moving all the radio equipment into the main air-conditioned room and out of the hot, fly-ridden attic. Jim Nichols, the YPR Engineer, says that the new transmitter is vertically polarized so it is best received with a vertical radio antennae like your car. If you have trouble at home you may need to purchase an amplified vertical radio antennae for best results.

This all cost YPR a good sum of money, so please send them an extra donation if you are a Helena area listener!

LCPRA Transmitter Application

Meanwhile, LCPRA is still waiting either a settlement agreement or an FCC decision regarding our own License Application for a 5 kilowatt transmitter at 88.5 located on Mount Belmont. The application is currently tied up with several other applications, and it is not clear how or when that complicated situation will be resolved. Our lawyer thinks it will be resolved this year!

Help Helena stay Public Radio Paradise!

The Last Chance Public Radio Association is pleased to send you this newsletter with no obligation. However, as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, we gratefully accept your tax-deductible contributions.

Please check the appropriate item(s) below.

I enclose my tax-deductible contribution of \$_____.

Keep my name on file as a potential volunteer.



Name and Address (if not correct on the other side):

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Clip and mail to: Last Chance Public Radio Association, P.O. Box 1072, Helena, MT 59624

State Employees!

Remember, you have the opportunity to donate to LCPRA via payroll deduction in the State Employees Charitable Giving Campaign.

Please Choose Organization Code 5110

Yellowstone Public Radio now on 89.1

What are you listening to?

*Remember: Party at
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Great gift idea for holiday giving!

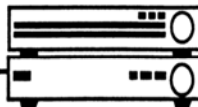
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