

## WFIF Milford CT 1500 kHz



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Congratulations! You got us! :) You are officially the second person from Finland to pick us up, as I mentioned on the phone. I figured I'd respond via E-mail, rather than make you wait who knows how long for the "snail-mail" to come through.

I was able to pick out the "WFIF" clearly enough in the weather report, and recognized the forecaster as well as a "glimpse" of our announcer's voice. I was not able to make out the 1-800 number at all. The noise from that station on 1503 obliterated it. (I listened to the tape first, THEN read the letter, which explained that noise! I thought it sounded very odd for a 10Khz channel!)

Your letter was very nice, and a joy to read. The family picture was a very nice touch! Being a Christian station, we are very much family-oriented. A package with some more info about the station will be coming by snail-mail as soon as I can get to it. (Been working a lot of 12-hour days lately!)

I get the feeling that WFIF is becoming a bit of a trophy for your DX club over there, huh? :) I remember telling Esa Hanninen (spelling?) to encourage other DX'ers to see if they can pick us up. I encourage you to do likewise. We are into our summer schedule, 6am-8pm, and I guess DX is pretty dead, now.

The station on 1390 that you heard is indeed a great catch! That is a fairly well occupied frequency over here. Here in Connecticut, I can usually hear a somewhat local on it during the day, and WDCX at night from upstate New York mixes with about 2 or 3 other signals. WDCX is also Christian, as is another one you should have less trouble hearing, WDCD on 1540 out of Albany NY. They come in down here quite well at night. Of course, you have no trouble hearing WFIF's nemesis, WTOP!! They are the reason we are daytime only.

Another station to try for is 1510, WNRB from Boston Mass. WFIF has 2 "sister" stations you may want to look for: WARV on 1590 which runs 6am to 12 midnight all year round. They are in Warwick Rhode Island. Our "big sister" is WVNE near Worcester Mass, they are also a daytimer on 760. WJR is the station they have to sign-off for. If you "catch" either one of those, make sure you tell them that WILLIE in WFIF told you to tune them in. They'll probably be more likely to respond if you do. :)

The stations I mentioned above are all 5,000 watts or better. The 1540 and 1510 are both 50K, WVNE is 25,000 and drops to TWENTY SIX WATTS at sunset for 45 minutes! The FCC here sometimes assigns very oddball low-power levels to some of the daytimers for short post-sunset operations. WFIF has 500 watts for 15 minutes except for NOV & DEC where we get 30.

You now have my E-mail address, so feel free to write! I like this... the 90's version of "pen pals" is E-Mail pals! :) hehehe. By the way, your letter was quite well written! Your command of the English language is actually better than most Americans!

Until next time...

Willie...

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