

# ANDEX



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### FREEDOM FOR ECUADOR

### ANDEX SEAL CONTEST

Here's your chance to win a valuable prize!

ANDEX needs a seal or logo to help identify our club. This would be used on all official club publications and correspondence. It could be made available to members in the form of a rubber stamp, lapel pin or jacket patch to identify you as a member.

We encourage you to enter our Seal Contest by sending us your design right away. Here is your chance to make a real contribution to ANDEX and win a prize at the same time. All entries must be received in Quito by July 31, 1974, to be eligible.

America. Seekers for gold and silver roamed over the land from Mexico to Bolivia.

By the early 1800's a feeling of nationalism was growing in the colonies and members of all classes began to join forces to demand the right to form their own governments. There was a growing spirit of resentment against the Spaniards who were sent to fill all government positions. Wars of revolution broke out in 1810 and continued until 1824 when complete freedom from Spain had been won. The best known of the heroes of those days was Simón Bolívar, now known throughout South America as the "Liberator." He was responsible for winning the independence of the countries now known as Venezuela, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Bolivia.

Fighting under the leadership of Bolívar, Antonio José de Sucre directed the campaign in what is now Ecuador. Attacking the city of Quito from the south, he surprised the Spaniards by coming from behind and over Pichincha, the mountain range to the west of the city. The Spaniards climbed the slopes of Pichincha to meet the attack but were

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*Cima de la Libertad*

For Ecuadorians, one of the most important holidays is the 24th of May. This is Ecuador's Independence Day and celebrates the victory won by General Antonio José de Sucre over the Spaniards in the Battle of Pichincha on May 24, 1822, just a little more than 150 years ago.

Nearly 300 years earlier, during the early 1500's, the Spaniards had explored much of South America. In their search for gold and wealth, they had conquered the Incas and established their rule over these lands. Quito, an old Inca capital, became a Spanish city on December 6, 1534. In the following years, Spaniards poured into the new American Colonies. Planters settled in much of the conquered territory along the west coast of South

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Clayton Howard - DX Party Line Host

The "DX Party Line" is growing up! This month it celebrates its thirteenth birthday and becomes a "Teenager." This informative program was first released during May of 1961 by the English Program Department of HCJB with Hardy Hayes as Master of Ceremonies. During the following years Clayton Howard, Bill Ridgeway and Roger Stubbe have all served as emcees. Hardy, by the way, is now working as Traffic Manager for a network of Christian radio stations owned by Northwestern Schools in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

As the "DX Party Line" has grown older, it has also increased in service to DXers and SWLers. Starting out as a monthly program it expanded a few years later to be a weekly release. Now, since September of 1973, "DX Party Line" is aired 3 times each week, with many new features included. Probably the biggest step forward has been the inauguration of the Andes DXers International on January 1, 1974. The rapid growth of this club has proven it to be a popular forward move. We appreciate the support of all who listen to "DX Party Line" and now have joined us in ANDEX.

#### ANDEX International —

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soon defeated on May 24, 1822. It was following this victory that Sucre was promoted to general. This victory secured the freedom of Venezuela, Colombia and Ecuador. Sucre was again victorious at the Battle of Ayacucho in Peru, two years later in 1824, which completed the liberation of South America from Spain.

The monetary unit in Ecuador bears the name Sucre in honor of this great hero. One of the main streets in Quito is named "24th of May Avenue" and the "24th of May High School" is one of the large girls' schools. On the slopes of Pichincha, at the site of the famous battle, a monument has been erected in memory of those who died to bring independence to Ecuador. This spot is known as "Cima de la Libertad" or "Summit of Liberty" and overlooks the city whose freedom was won at the cost of many lives.

The patriots who fought and gave their lives during the early 1800's did so to win political independence from Spain. Important as this was, there is another freedom that is much more important in each of our lives. This is spiritual freedom or freedom from sin. Real freedom is not liberty to do what we want to do, when we want to, as so many people seem to think these days. The result of this type of reasoning leads to nothing more than a real bondage and slavery to things we really know are wrong and habits that we can't control or break. Jesus told the self-righteous, religious ones of His day that they were slaves of sin. The only way to obtain freedom was to accept Him as their Savior. Many were offended by that teaching and turned away from Him. Some, however, turned in faith to Jesus Christ. To their joy they discovered the truth of the words, "If the Son, therefore, shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed." (John 8:36). No one possesses true freedom until he knows Jesus Christ, the Savior, who gave His life in order to make this freedom possible.

You can know this real freedom right now by accepting Jesus Christ as your personal Savior. Then you can really enjoy life. You will be free to do what you know is right, what you know God wants you to do — free from the power of sin.

Political liberty is important, but it is only temporal. Spiritual liberty — found only in Christ — is eternal. The greatest freedom of all is freedom from sin.

# RADIO TURISMO



*HCJMI Control Room*

About 60 miles to the north of Quito is the town of Otavalo, one of the biggest tourist attractions in Ecuador. With a population of about 10,000, Otavalo is situated in the heart of a vast Indian population. Every Saturday morning, bright and early, thousands of these Indians come to the market place in Otavalo to buy and sell their products. These interesting Indians are land owners and raise large numbers of sheep. From the wool they produce beautiful ponchos, shawls, scarves and other woven items. Every Saturday tourists also visit the market and purchase many of these colorful products.

The only shortwave station in the Province of Imbabura is located in Otavalo. HCJMI, known as "Radio Turismo" is so named because it is situated in this center of tourism. The station began operation on October 29, 1956, so will soon be celebrating its 18th anniversary. The frequency used is 3,240 mHz and they operate with a power of 400 watts. The transmitter, which was made locally, is located on a hill outside the city and a simple antenna is used. The studios are located in the center of town, on a second floor, and are very modest. Equipment includes a simple mixing amplifier, microphone, 2 small turntables and 2 or 3 home-type tape recorders. The small studio provides facilities for live programming and audience participation.

Radio Turismo broadcasts entirely in the Spanish language and operates only on shortwave. Program hours are from 1030-1900 and 2200-0300 GMT. Sunday programming closes at 0200. Most of the programs are commercial with time sold to local sponsors. However, HCJMI also provides a very

**ANDEX Membership Report:** As this issue of ANDEX International goes to press, we have

560 members from a total of 31 countries.

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valuable service to the thousands of listeners in the rural areas surrounding Otavalo. There are very few telephones outside the city and communication is slow. Radio Turismo broadcasts many messages of an emergency nature, providing the inhabitants with a much quicker and surer means of communication.

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## ANDEX MEMBER 500



*Brian Scott Shore*

Thanks to the excellent response from HCJB listeners, Andes DXers International has been growing rapidly. Recently our Club passed the 500 mark and we want to give special recognition to member number 500. He is Brian Scott Shore who lives in Oconto, Wisconsin. Congratulations to Brian who will be receiving membership certificate #500.

Brian is 13 years old, one of our youngest members, and has been interested in shortwave radio for about a year. He does most of his DXing on an army surplus BC-312 receiver with a 100-foot-long wire antenna. He is also a member of the American Shortwave Listeners Club. Brian will receive a special souvenir from ANDEX in honor of this occasion.

Who will be member number 1000? We will be preparing a very special award for the member who brings our Club to the one thousand mark!

## DXer OF THE MONTH



Thomas B. Byrd

From Buffalo, New York, comes this month's selection as "DXer of the Month," Thomas B. Byrd. He is a maintenance man who became interested in shortwave listening about 10 years ago. One of the first stations he heard was HCJB back in 1963 and he has been a frequent listener to programs from Quito ever since.

Thomas has an excellent receiving station including the very popular Realistic DX-150A receiver. His outdoor antenna consists of a 40-foot-long wire. He is also a Citizen's Band operator for which he uses a Lafayette Comstate 23 Transceiver and a Regency Monitoradio. In addition to being a member of ANDEX, #62, Thomas has joined several other radio clubs sponsored by International Shortwave Stations.

The evening hours, between 2300 and 0430 GMT, are when you are most likely to find Thomas at his radio engaged in DXing or SWling. He averages around 4 hours each day with his radio equipment and as a result has made a good record of stations heard and verified. In addition to collecting QSL cards, he finds postcards make a very fascinating collection.

ANDEX congratulates Thomas B. Byrd, "DXer of the Month" for May, 1974.

All members of our club are eligible for this monthly award. If you have not already sent us a picture of your listening post, be sure to do so right away. Future "DXer of the Month" awards will be chosen from pictures received. To qualify, send us a good black and white glossy print.

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Even though Radio Turismo operates with very low power it should be possible to hear this station in other countries when conditions are good. It is a commercial station operating to serve the residents of the area and they do not have facilities to handle much correspondence. They do not solicit reception reports from outside Ecuador nor do they issue QSL cards. All correspondence would have to be in Spanish and return postage should be sent, preferably in unused Ecuadorian stamps. Reports should be sent to the owner of the station: Sr. Jorge A. Viver, Radio Turismo, Modesto Jaramillo, Otavalo, Provincia de Imbabura, Ecuador. This should not be one of the easier Ecuadorian stations to hear and verify, so good luck as you try for Radio Turismo, HCJM1.

During 1972 the Ecuadorian Post Office issued a series of 10 postage stamps honoring the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Pichincha. Six of these stamps were for use on surface mail and four on airmail. Each stamp carries the picture of one of the heroes of the famous battle. General José Antonio de Sucre appears on the highest value stamp which is five sucres, about 20¢ US.

With each copy of the May ANDEX International we are happy to be able to include one of this interesting series of stamps. If you are a stamp collector you can add this to your collection. If not, give it to a friend.

Listen to DX Party Line, and invite your friends to tune in. Heard 3 times each week on HCJB.

For South Pacific: Monday-Thursday-Saturday  
0930 GMT 31 m - 9.745 mHz

For Europe: Monday-Thursday-Saturday  
1930 GMT 16 m - 17.815 mHz  
19 m - 15.300 mHz

For North & South America:  
0230 GMT Sunday (9:30 PM Saturday EST)\*  
0300 GMT Tuesday (10:00 PM Monday EST)\*  
0130 GMT Thursday (8:30 PM Wednesday EST)  
19 m - 15.115 mHz  
25 m - 11.915 mHz  
31 m - 9.560 mHz  
0400 GMT Friday (11:00 PM Thursday EST)\*  
25 m - 11.915 mHz  
31 m - 9.560 mHz  
(\*31 m - 9.745 mHz for South America)