

Change in the air

Swan song nears for KFAT

KFAT fans who are drunk, stoned or ignorant of current events are going to be in for a big shock at midnight Sunday.

Just past the witching hour, the frantic Gilroy country-and-western radio station will change its call letters to KWSS. But that won't be the half of it.

FATheads tuned to 94½ at 12:01 a.m. Monday will discover that their beloved weird and wacky station has suddenly changed its format.

Although new station manager Palmer Pyle won't reveal what the new format will be, he does admit that KFAT aficionados are not likely to be enamored of it.

Are they going to be disappointed?

"They sure are," Pyle said Wednesday.

Pyle said FATheads will have to look elsewhere on their radio dials to find their kind of programming.

Although Pyle said he won't announce the changes until Friday afternoon, he did say the station is doing research to discover "how many oldies would have to go in the rotation to keep the housewives listening."

Pyle said KWSS would not drop Gilroy as its home base, although he said the station would be called KWSS Gilroy-San Jose.