

**CLIENT: WHA AM Radio-Wisconsin Public Radio • MEDIA: CD Jewel Cases/Multi Cases • SOLUTION: Slidetrac**

## The Challenge

WHA Radio in Madison, Wisconsin, is the "Flagship Station" of the Wisconsin Public Radio Network. Started in 1917, WHA prides itself on being one of the oldest radio stations in the country. Programming is delivered in two streams – one is mostly classical music and the other stream is mostly information services, such as "Car Talk" and "Talk of the Nation".

Vicki Nonn, Music Director, and Dennis Ryan, Music Librarian, (pictured) had a challenge — how to store an ever-growing collection of 20,000 classical music CD's, 5,000 folk music CD's, and 15,000 LP's. The CD collection was stored on double-sided 30" deep open shelving that was originally intended for LP's. The CD's were positioned towards the front of the shelves, which left about sixteen inches of wasted space behind them — a very inefficient storage method.



CD's stored in shelving originally used for LP's; the result - wasted space.



20,000 + CD's stored in 2 Slidetrac systems; no more wasted space!

## The Solution

After a survey of WHA's music collection and the space allocated, Russ Bassett's ProMedia Slidetrac System was selected. Two 4X3 Slidetrac Systems (4 shelving sections wide by 3 sections deep per system) were installed back-to-back. Each shelving case is 7" deep – the perfect size to store CD's in jewel cases and multi CD albums. This system provides an efficient storage solution for Wisconsin Public Radio's CD collection. In addition, adjustable backstops on each shelf position the CD's near the front of the shelf, making it easier to pull the day's programming. The shelves also adjust up and down in 1/2" increments without tools, and therefore can easily accommodate various size CD cases.

## The Result

The two ProMedia 4X3 Slidetrac Systems provide a storage capacity of 20,640 CD's. Slidetrac's narrow 20" footprint (40" back-to-back) makes it possible to add four more 4X3 sections — triple the capacity of the original traditional shelving. Dennis Ryan says, "Slidetrac is perfect, I wouldn't change a thing!" Vicki Nonn adds, "I was surprised to see how many CD's Slidetrac holds in such a small footprint. The adjustable shelves and backstops helped us organize our CD collection. Slidetrac has a solid feel, and looks great!"

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