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You will find inserts in this issue to send in with your dues. They are as follows:

BLUE FORM is for U.S. (either bulk or first class) and also for Canada and Mexico who must pay for first class as there are no bulk privileges to those countries from the U.S.

PINK FORM is for OX whether you are paying your own or are an "adoptee". Adoptees forms will be given to their sponsors.

GREEN FORM is for all U.S. YLs who do not at present sponsor any DX YL. It is an application to adopt a DX-YL.

Please be sure you send your form with your check for renewal to YOUR Receiving Treasurer (address on form). The DX-YL forms go to Mary Ketzler, KAOOMX, Rt 1, Box 194AA, Mondovi, WI 54755. This is so we may have verification of your address.

It would be appreciated if you would not combine your dues and that of your adoptee and send it to either YOUR RT or to the DX-RT. That only causes confusion and delay in getting your dues credited to you. So, send YOUR dues to YOUR RT and your adoptee's dues to Mary Ketzler, KAOOMX.

Dues may be paid anytime now but is actually due March 1st and becomes delinquent if not received by March 31st at which time you will be dropped from membership if your dues has not been received and you will NOT receive the March/April issue of YLH. It would be nice if the Receiving Treasurers did not have to send out delinquency notices; it makes more work for them and a needless expense for YLRL. So, please don't wait until the very last minute. Your cooperation would be very much appreciated.

Several YLs have never received the copy of the Super Directory to which each member is entitled at no extra charge. A copy has been mailed to each of them. If you hear of any YL who has not yet received her copy, please let me know as soon as possible so I may send them another. Seems the P.O. has really out-done themselves on this one!

Once again I am forced to remind you all to SEND ME YOUR CHANGES OF ADDRESS!! Some of you are so good about it but there are still those who can't be bothered!

LOST LAMB DEPARTMENT

Please see the addenda sheet for these YLs whose Harmonics have been returned to me. Any help you can give would be greatly appreciated.

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YL HARMONICS DEADLINE FOR THE JAN/FEB ISSUE IS DECEMBER 15TH!

That is the date you should have YOUR news to your NEW D/C so she may get her news column to the Editor before January 1st. Notice I specified NEW D/C. I have listed them all here so you will not have any excuse for not knowing to whom to write, hi! (Ed.)

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ANNOUNCING: A New Supplies Chairmans Lois Vallin, NX7V, 433 Suncrest Ave. NW, Salem, OR 97304

President's Message

It seems hard to believe that almost two years have passed and it is now time for me to write my final President's message. As you all know, it has been a busy year for YLs. First of all the year started off with the beginning of the year for the YLRL 50th Anniversary certificate. Then there was the final planning for the anniversary celebration on Kauai ending with a great convention attended by both DX and USA members. Now as I write this, we are in the midst of our fall contest.

First of all, as I look back on the past two years, I want to thank all the YLs who helped out serving as officers, district chairmen, committee chairmen, committee members, convention committees, etc. What was particularly gratifying to me was the willingness to serve when asked. Not only have we seen our "old timers" helping, but we have also seen many new faces. The lasting strength of any organization rests on the ability to keep bringing in new people and to get them involved in running the organization's programs. I believe on this account YLRL is healthy and will survive for many years.

I have heard of a couple of exciting YLRL gatherings that are in the planning stage. For 1990 our Editor/Circulation Manager, Jean, K60QD, has been planning a get-together in Reno, NV. I'll let her fill you in on those details. While at the convention, the YLs from Sweden and Sheila from England approached me about a possible gathering near Stockholm in 1991. At the time we talked, they are thinking of having it in June. Some of us have been talking about another all YL DX expedition before and/or after that mini-convention. So it looks like there will be lots to think about for the future. Better start saving your pennies! It may be a good thing that Reno comes before Stockholm, Hi!

I met with President Elect, Joan KD7YB, a couple of weeks ago and passed on the files to her. Now I don't know what to do with all that space in my file drawer. Hi! Joan is already hard at work lining up people to fill vacancies and committee posts. I am sure that she will be glad to receive any volunteers to help out. This is a good chance to get involved.

Many of you have worked for and received the beautiful 50th anniversary certificate. For the benefit of those still trying lets continue to make ourselves available on the air. There are several out there looking for us.

Finally, it has been a pleasure and a warm experience serving as your President. I look forward to meeting you again on the air and in person. Best wishes to all the new officers and committee chairmen. You are in for a very rewarding experience.

My very best 33 to all of you. Mary Lou, NM7N

Disaster on the Edst Codst

" Hugo the Ho^?b(e)"

Letter from Jeanette, NP2C to Carol, WI4K, 9/1/89

Dear Carol,

I'm sending this with Richard and Marion Adamson to mail from the states when they finally get back.

First of all we are all fine. We have plenty of food and water—our cistern water is OK. The house is a wreck. Most of the roof went and the back wall of the living room is gone. Fortunately, the ham shack roof stayed on and since they had laid the tower over and taken the beam off it is OK and we are operational. We run the generator a few hours every day so we have refrigeration and can take an occasional shower. Along with the Adamsons we have Warren and Sharon Coleman, KE8CA and NP2DG here. Thank God for them because they live on a boat and are showing us how to survive. Their boat is on land but maybe they can get it floating again.

The storm itself was a nightmare. We had thought it was going a few miles south of us and that we wouldn't get the worst winds. Apparently the eye went over the west part of the island and left us sitting right in the wall. They got an hour of lull over there while we were still getting pounded. I haven't seen it over there but apparently even though they got that lull they are just as devastated as we are. At any rate it was terrifying (forgive my spelling. I expect the dictionary is wet) and I don't want to even see anything like it again.

Long about midnight we were busy going from window to window wiping up water, when one of the men noticed the living room wall was bowing. I went in to see and saw it start to crack. I yelled and we all headed into the hamshack to regroup. We decided our best bet was the laundry room which is a separate building under the patio. It, like three of the walls of the house is poured in place concrete and is the equivalent of a bomb shelter. I grabbed one dog and John grabbed the other and the six of us plus 2 dogs headed single file through the back bathroom door (which goes out to the patio) and down the steps to the laundry room. We were lucky that there were no major gusts to knock anyone off balance, and no one was hit by debris. The dogs were wonderful. They didn't struggle, but stayed very still while we carried them down. We managed to make ourselves fairly comfortable, 2 sitting on one table, two on another, and two in chairs that happened to be there. We felt safe there and were glad we did what we did.

I cannot properly describe to you what we saw when we crept out the next morning. When we saw the houses that were either totally

destroyed or badly damaged we were sure they were all dead, but as far as I know none of our neighbors was hurt. When we heard the stories they had to tell about hiding in closets and such we realized how lucky we were, and in spite of a leaky roof and an open air kitchen and living room, we have a lot more to live in than a lot of people. We are slowly getting bits of roof back on, but we can forget the living room because the beams are damaged there - not to mention the missing wall.

As to the civil unrest, I understand the looting in Christiansted and Fredricksted in unreal, but we expect some troops in today. Also even as I write I see a Pan Am jet heading out. Things are looking up.

Now to YLRL business - I am happy to report the continuous membership certificates are OK and the records are intact. The computer is shot, but the disks are OK. However, even if my back-up computer, which was being repaired, hasn't been stolen, it will be months before we have power back, and we can't run the computer on the generator. Needless to say, when I am able to get to work on it again, i'll have to do it by hand. The bottom line is people's certificates and stickers will be very, very late. The name of the game right now is survival. Once things get to a semblance of normality, I can get back to work. One thing I did lose is all the Treasurers' reports. If you could send me the ones from August on I can figure out where I was.

..... If you would let everyone know what the situation is, I would appreciate it. Maybe a notice in Harmonics or something.

Well, I guess I'll run. Hope Hugo doesn't come near you. I guess by the time you get this he either will have, or not. If he did, the best thing you could do is go to Arizona!

33, Jeanette

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I Survived Hurricdhe Hugo

Dot Bedford, K4A0H

I am a volunteer for the American Red Cross and my main interest is communications. I am Communication Officer for the local chapter of the American Red Cross and also on the hurricane advance team. I have taken many, many disaster services courses through the A.R.C. Being on the hurricane advance team is very interesting. We arrive on the coast before the hurricane hits and undertake preparedness and operations. On September 20, 1989, five people and myself, members of the advance team, loaded up the Red Cross van and another vehicle and headed toward the coast. At this time we did not know if the hurricane would hit the coast of South Carolina or not, but it was our job to set up down there and ready ourselves for the storm. Our destination was Charleston, S.C.

We arrived at our motel about 8:30 PM. We retired early as we knew

our work would be waiting for us the next morning as hurricane Hugo was supposed to hit the coast sometime during the next night? each report seemed to point toward Charleston. We set up operations at the Iron Workers Union Hall off 1-26 which was in North Charleston, S.C.

We were busy all day setting up tables and chairs, making signs, getting everyone settled in with telephones, etc. Our general activities were to continue emergency services such as preliminary damage assessment and planning for assistance to the disaster victims. We also kept up with shelters, such as where they were and how many were in each shelter. There was much to be done before landfall.

As for me, I had the Red Cross' 2m radio going strong, trying to get all the information as it was relayed from the different EOCs to the Charleston EOC and from the many shelters. Some shelters were full; one held 2,000 and another 1,800. There were small shelters and large shelters, and of course everyone in the shelters had to be cared for.

At this time the TV was still in operation and we were monitoring to see where landfall would be and when. Soon it was decided that hurricane hugo was heading straight toward Charleston.

I was operating the 2m radio and trying to get as much information as possible about shelter. I was on an inside antenna (soup can) and the repeater they were using in Charleston was in North Charleston. The building we were in had metal walls, metal doors, and metal outside. I was lucky that I was able to get out on the inside antenna.

The announcer on the TV had been warning people to leave their homes and go to a safe shelter or to go inland, and by this time most people had evacuated and 1-26 was backed up for miles, bumper to bumper! Most people headed toward Columbia, S.C. which is 108 miles from Charleston and the drive took 6 to 8 hours. The TV personality finally came on and told everyone that if they had not left, to go to a shelter or a safe place—to please stay where they were as Hugo was getting closer. This was about 10 P.M.

About 10:15 P.M. we lost power, and I had not even considered bringing an automobile battery with me for power if needed. Although I was unable to transmit, I was able to monitor with my trusty handheld and a handheld scanner. The building we were in was about 35' wide and 100' long. By this time we were all getting very nervous and hoping no one else in the group would notice. We decided the men's rest room was our safest place because of the location. We put a chair for each of us and a blanket for each in case we needed to put over our heads for protection. We tried not to put much in there in case things were flying around. We could hear trees falling around us, and the winds were terrible as they were blowing 140 mph and seemed to be blowing on the left side of the building. Some of the ceiling tiles began falling

with large pieces of insulation. The rain water began coming in at different places all over the building, which let us know that the roof could possibly go at any time. The sides of the walls, especially on the left side of the building, were moving back and forth as though they were breathing. All of the advance team members were still in the men's rest room. We could not see if there was lightning as there were no windows in the building and all the doors were metal. We could not hear the thunder as the wind was blowing everything around. One of the fallen trees just missed our Red Cross van.

The worst of the first part of the storm lasted about 35 minutes, then the eye of the hurricane was suddenly upon us. It was amazing the stillness in the air. You could hear the crickets outside, or if there had been any birds around, heard them sing, or even a needle drop. It is hard to explain just how quiet it really is during the eye of a hurricane. The eye lasted about 25 minutes which gave us a chance to come out of the men's rest room and go outside to survey some of the damage that had taken place outside our building. We were amazed to see all the trees, telephone poles and electric wires down. Yet we truly knew that the worst part of the storm was yet to come after the eye had passed. We gathered back in the men's rest room and waited for Hugo to finish the terrible mess he had started.

It was but a few minutes and the winds started blowing hard again and in a different direction than the first part of the storm. It was so strange how it seemed the opposite side of the building was about to blow away. The walls were huffing and puffing and once again I sent another silent prayer up, hoping He'd hear me.

The ceiling tiles began coming down again with the insulation falling down in large pieces and we could hear the winds tossing the trees in different directions than they had fallen earlier, and the rain water was coming in the building at many places.

This part of the storm lasted about 30 minutes and finally it started dying down some, for which we were thankful. We got our cots out and tried to catch a few hours sleep as it was about 3:30 AM. We were all tired, and of course all we had were flashlights and lanterns. We were still getting 10 P(*1 weather reports over the scanner and this was the first time I had ever been where every emergency vehicle was at a stand still. The fire trucks could not answer calls, nor could the police and looting did take place during the eye of the storm.

Emergency Medical Service was not available, and there were two babies born in shelters the night of Hugo. We were not able to sleep as the winds were still making weird noises. We left for our motel about 5:AM and the electric lines were laying everywhere; telephone poles were down; trees were all over the place; roofs were blown off houses

or businesses; buildings were blown down. It just looked like a war zone or where an earthquake had been. We had to wait for the electricians to cut the wires that were laying in the road before we could drive over them to be sure they were not live wires. When we arrived at our motel, we found all power down; there was no water; and large trees were laying across several vehicles. A large sign with the motel's name on it had come down through the roof of the motel in a vertical position. It was terrible. Debris was everywhere. Two of the hurricane advance team members and myself came home on Sept. 22nd, tired and worn out after being under much stress and strain.

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Disaster Preparedness EARTHQUAKE

THIS IS NOT A DRILL!

Sue Ludemann, KA6S0C

At 5:04 PM PST on Tuesday, October 19, the earth shook in the San Francisco Bay/Santa Cruz area (7.1 on the Richter Scale); life as we know it suddenly came to a halt. Anyone who had not taken prior earthquake preparations now discovered that it was too late. This includes people who had planned to be involved in any disaster relief that could follow this long-anticipated earthquake. Those people, unfortunately, are not participating because they are not prepared and they now know that good intentions are not enough! If you wait until disaster actually strikes to volunteer, you are probably going to do more harm than good. Those who are trained and well-prepared are far too busy now to take time to train you. Just knowing how your own gear works is insufficient preparation. What do you know about operating strange equipment? What do you know about operating procedures?

As citizens trained in one of the most important post-disaster skills (communications), we should be prepared. First of all, we should be sure our homes and families are prepared for any disaster. Have a contact person at least 600 miles from your home that EVERYONE in your family knows to contact to determine your health and welfare. Then have an agreed upon meeting place where each one can go to as soon as possible. Don't let each member of the family head off in a different direction.

Have a two-week supply of food and water on hand. Food should be dried or canned foods that need a minimum of heating. Check with a local sporting goods store—there are freeze-dried foods for hikers available that are light weight but nourishing. It may not be Cordon Bleu but it is better than starving! Get yourself a Sterno stove which uses canned, jellied alcohol. The fuel will last for years if kept

tightly closed. A pan in which to heat up your food; eating utensils (including plates & cups) should be kept with your emergency supplies. Also a supply of batteries for flashlights and things like hand-held transceivers, portable radios/TVs, rope, a hatchet should all be packed along with blankets and foul weather gear such as rainproof parkas, and waterproof tarps for erecting temporary shelters. Then keep it someplace where it will not be buried under the pile of rubble which just may be all that is left of your home. Of course you will need a supply of bottled water for drinking and preparing those freeze-dried meals. Avoid glass containers! If you can obtain such a thing, a five-gallon stainless steel milk can is great for water storage.

One important thing to remember is to date your supplies and watch for any expiration dates. Some things (such as batteries) have a limited 'shelf life'—dead batteries definitely retard response time!

Having prepared the family, it is time to turn your attention to preparation of your amateur radio equipment. This equipment needs to be ready in advance. All equipment needs to be in working order and stored in a safe place (if the roof falls in on it, it is not much use!) Know in advance what you have and what your capabilities are. This includes fixed, portable and mobile capabilities, duration of power supplies for portable and/or mobile, equipment that may be "loaned" to the cause (headphones, power supplies, BNC connectors, PL259's, etc)..

Take into consideration personal limitations when planning on doing disaster relief work. Cardiac patients should not volunteer to be the "shadow" of an official in a strenuous position. Persons with mobility problems should not volunteer for an operating position located above the ground floor.

Most importantly, become active in public events, SET, RACES/ARES groups before the disaster occurs. Or, at the very least, know how emergency communications are handled. There is no substitute for prior experience in the preparatory activities is so important.

And I DO practice what I preach! Within 10 minutes of the earthquake, I had made contact with Mary, KE5U0 and Darleen, WD5FQX on 14.332 MHz. I knew our family would make contact with them and know that we were safe and I did not worry that the phones were out and that my family would be worried. I am a member of the West Contra Costa County RACES/ARES and we are providing communication for both the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army relief efforts in Oakland. While the media are focusing on the tragedy of the Cypress portion of 1-880, there is quite a relief effort underway because of damage to homes in Oakland. Life has NOT returned to "normal" for any of us involved in the relief effort and our efforts are focused on the relief

of considerable suffering and not on other personal interests. It may be several weeks, at least, before I can attend to any YLRL business as I am currently operating 16-20 hours/a day as an ARES net control operator and resources net operator.

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Jeanette, Dot, and Sue, I'm sure all the YLs will understand and be patient. It is a wonder that you could even find time to worry about it with all you have been through. Thank you for taking the time to write. Best wishes from all of us and we pray for that "return to normality" you mentioned. (Editor)

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THE CONTINUING SAGA OF ELLIE AND HER "FRIENDLY" NEIGHBOR

Will this basically friendly, neighborly YL every be able to come to terms with her basically unfriendly, uncooperative twit of a neighbor?

from Ellie Odom, N5BYF

We bought a new TV set recently—a 1989 Quasar Dynacolor Solid State. An irate OM came storming into my shack, telling me that I was "tearing up the new set" with my signal. Strange, since I never bothered the old RCA which was hooked up to the same cable in the same spot as the new one. I called our TV Repair Service who, fortunately, also owns the store where we bought the new TV. They brought a 3-year old portable TV with the, hooking it up to the cable where our new set now stands in order to determine if the trouble was in the set itself. My signal did not disturb the "test set". Removing the back of the new TV, the technician made an adjustment on an "RF-AGC" control inside the set which completely eliminated the interference immediately. For test purposes, I transmitted full power out, even with the Speech Processor on.

Since I cannot believe that this model and make TV is the only one with such an adjustment on it, I thought that I should pass this information on. "Insufficient shielding" was NOT the case here.

Emphasis was put on the statement our TV Service made: "No consumer - not even HAMS - should attempt to make such an adjustment themselves"; discuss this with a QUALIFIED tv TECHNICIAN.

Steteir fUveirKd O'LdughliK, WA0SGJ, Wins Award

Sister Alverna is the 1989 winner of the ARRL International Humanitarian Award. Presented once a year, the award recognizes a person who has significantly contributed to the needs of others.

Sister Alverna has been involved with amateur radio since 1967. She was a volunteer for the Courage HANDI-HAM System and worked with its founder, Ned Carmen. "I was HANDI-HAMS first secretary," she said. "I missed the first meeting and they assigned me to that position. I've never missed a meeting since." She came to Courage Center in 1980 and is the educational services coordinator for the Courage HANDI-HAM System. The purpose of the system is to help people with disabilities explore their interest in Amateur Radio, and assist them in obtaining and upgrading their licenses. As educational services coordinator, she is in contact with hams and ham organizations all over the world.

Sister Alverna is a member of the Franciscan Sisters of Assisi Heights in Rochester, MN. She stated that her involvement with HANDI-HAMS is a unique way of fulfilling her vows. "I think the idea of service to those in need fits in very well with my job at HANDI-HAMS. That's the thrust of religious life, to help those who have needs," she said. "Through Amateur Radio we open the window of the world to people who may never get to leave their homes because of their disabilities."

She is also a member of the International Mission Radio Association Network and has relayed messages from people in foreign countries to their families who were in the U.S. A young man from Honduras was being hospitalized in Rochester, MN, after being severely injured in a work accident. He had fallen from a scaffold and broke his neck. Sister Alverna received a letter from Father Aidan Schaefer, W8BPQ, who informed her about this boy. Sr. Alverna then set up a weekly schedule through IRMA net so the young man could speak with his mother in Honduras.

Sister Alverna has dedicated much of her life to helping others. Bruce Humphrys, KOHR, Courage HANDI-HAM supervisor, said, "indeed it is her entire life which lays eloquent testimony to her compassion and enthusiasm for the joys of Amateur Radio and her dedication to sharing those joys with everyone she comes in contact with."

from HANDI-HAM NEWS

Buckeye Belles

Never underestimate the power of a ham, especially if the ham is a YL! On March 6, 1961, Shirley Rex-K8MZT, and nine other dedicated YLs founded the Buckeye Belles. The other Charter Members were: Lillian Richardson-WSHWX, Marvel Tyson-bJBHUX, Alice Geib-W80TI-, Dottie Higgins-W8RZN, Helen Smith-W6SPU, Marie Helminski-W8MBI, Dorothy Lemley-WBGSH, Louise Long-KBHGD, and Marge Farinet-K8ITF. These talented and dedicated YLs issued an invitation to every woman radio amateur in the state of Ohio to join the fledgling organization. The response was immediate and enthusiastic.

The Buckeye Burr, newsletter of the Belles, was begun in June, 1961, with the peripatetic K8MZT as its first Editor. Its masthead stated the purpose of the Belles—"Our purpose is to promote good fellowship and develop proficiency in the art of ham radio operation." This purpose has remained unchanged.

During this same founding year, W8MBI and K8ITF designed and developed the requirements for the Buckeye Belle Certificate. K8ITF also designed the logo which graces all Buckeye Belle publications, jewelry and stationery.

In June, 1962 this organization, just over a year old, took on the challenge of staging the Fourth International YLRL Convention. This was to take place in 1964 and would mark the 25th Anniversary of the YLRL. K8PXX, Toni Chapman, was President of the Belles that year and a major factor in the success of the undertaking. Many hard-working, dedicated Belles also contributed to the success of the Convention.

One month later, on July 5, 1964, W8MBI-Marie Helminski became a Silent Key. In her honor, the Belles applied for and on May 28, 1964 received the Memorial Station license W8MBI. It was first put on the air on 6 meters on June 3, 1965. It was put on 75 meters on June 8, 1965. It is the net control station for the Tuesday night net at 8s PM ET. Frequency is 3.975 MHz. Other nets are Monday at 9s AM on 3.950 and at 9s PM 146.82(-).

All of these nets are golden opportunities to earn the Buckeye Belle Certificate. Current requirements are Ohio stations, 12 confirmed contacts; other US stations, 8 confirmed contacts; and DX stations, 4 confirmed contacts. Send Name, Call, Time, Date, Mode, and Belle number to Custodian Marge Farinet, K8ITF, 7070 Lee Rd., Westerville, OH 43081 (614) 898-9565.

In the years since founding, the Belles have expanded the types of memberships offered. In 1969 the Buckeye Beaus group was formed for the spouses of Belles. Beaus have no dues and no votes. In 1977 out of state subscribers to the Burr were offered the opportunity to become

Associate members. These members also have no voting rights. Unlike the Beaus, they have no numbers. One thing all members have is fun as well as friendship.

The foregoing is a condensed version sent in by Helen, KA8UET, of the fine history compiled by Buckeye Beau, George Blakeslee.

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~~the~~ **U.S.S.R.**

by Mady Langdon, KA6ZYF

It was a beautiful, clear May afternoon when we arrived in Ufa, a large industrial city in the heart of the U.S.S.R. As we waited to deplane, an Aeroflot pilot approached us and handed me a bouquet of red carnations; our friend Shamil, UW9WW, had come to greet us - he had never said he was a pilot!

The following day, Shamil took us to the Central Radio Club of Ufa, on the top floor of a large building. Here, radio classes are taught, tests are administered and QSL cards are collected for distribution to club members or for shipment to Box 8B in Moscow.

There were about 30 amateurs waiting for us, sitting at school-type desks fitted with Morse keys. We sat at a long table, facing them next to Shamil; Vitaly, UW9WR, President of the Bashkirian Radio Federation and a Master of Sports of the U.S.S.R.; and Alexej, our interpreter. After a brief introduction, OM Terry and I talked about our experiences in amateur radio and answered questions about operating practices in our countries. In concluding, Vitaly handed us three pieces of papers two certificates granting us membership in the Ufa DX Club, and the radio license for our operation from the autonomous region of Bashkiria. Until our departure from Ufa we would be U9W/W6/G3MHV and U9W/KA6ZYF, the first foreigners to operate from Bashkiria and possibly from zone 17.

Several club members accompanied us to a local restaurant where we tasted some of the local dishes and got a very good introduction to the custom of innumerable toasts followed by a glass of strong Russian vodka!

The next day we got on the air from Shamil's QTH and, needless to say, our calls generated tremendous enthusiasm world-wide. Our operating time was very limited due to Terry's working commitments, but between us we logged over 1000 QSOs, covering 65 countries, and I accomplished WAC.

Sightseeing included an open-air museum of wooden houses, a large statue of a Bashkirian horseman (featured on our QSL card) and a two-day trip into the Ural mountains to enjoy the most magnificent unspoilt

scenery.

At the end of our visit we sadly said good-bye to our friends in Ufa, but Shamil accompanied us on the plane to our next destination, Tashkent, in the Republic of Uzbekistan. Tashkent was largely destroyed by an earthquake in the 1960s and it is today a modern city of beautiful architecture and an inordinately large number of fountains. On a two-day side trip we went to Samarkand, a 2000 year old city on the silk route with extraordinary ancient monuments covered in blue mosaics.

Our next destination was Leningrad, where we met several local hams at the home of Vlad, UA1CK. Sightseeing of local treasures included the famous Hermitage Museum and Peterhof which was once the emperor's summer palace.

Moscow was the last stop and our opportunity to experience the life and feelings of the Soviet people, and to observe first-hand the changes taking place in this vast, diverse country. We received heartfelt hospitality and reaffirmed many friendships established over a brief QSO. To our friends in the U.S.S.R.:

Spacibo, Da svidaniya! Mady

~~in Vlad~~ the South Pacific

Part II - Fiji Islands

by Mary Ketzler, KAOOMX

We arrived late in the afternoon in Nadi, Fiji, Mary Lou, NM7N, Audrey, N7HAT, Alice, N4DDX, and myself. Our callsigns for Fiji were 3D2MB for Mary Lou, 3D2AK for Alice, and 3D2MK for me. Alice and I had made a special trip into Nadi the week before while waiting there for the flight to Wallis Island - to pay for our licenses via money order to the office in Suva, and had them mailed to Fred Carter, 3D2CC, who was to be our host on Malolo Lai Lai Island.

We were the only people to check in with the Customs officials that afternoon, three men who looked very skeptically at the equipment we were bringing and at our operator licenses and the import license. They asked for our customs papers and insisted that we were supposed to have filled out a special form for bringing in radio equipment. We were in no way prepared for a hassle since the week before when we had spent 2 days in Fiji prior to our flight to Wallis, there had been no problem. Their main concern seemed to be that we were not going to bring the equipment home with us. (We were thinking they just couldn't believe four women would be bringing in such items other than for illegal sale.) They wrote down the serial numbers and told us over and over that we had to bring it all out again with us, in spite of our assurances that we certainly intended to. Mary Lou finally found the

American customs registration on the one radio she was bringing, which they took to mean that American customs would check to see that the radio came back to the U.S. - and after repeating that we must check all our baggage first through customs when were ready to leave - before checking in to the airlines, they finally let us through.

It was time to say a sad goodbye to Audrey, who had a prior commitment for the week we were to be in the Fiji Islands and who was wishing she hadn't. She would take home with her the one ski bag with the beam antenna and dipole we wouldn't be using on Fiji and a few other unneeded items. We took only the back-up vertical antenna with us and, of course the two radios in their specially made bags to fit easily under an airplane seat. Then the three of us proceeded to our flight to Malolo Lai Lai and the resort that was to be our home for the next 7 days. It was a beautiful evening and the sun was setting as we landed on the small airstrip on Flalolo Lai Lai and checked in to our bure, which was quite comfortable and had facilities to prepare our own meals. (We were supplied with rain water for drinking and a maid daily emptied the pail in the bathroom that collected the drip from the water heater.) We left our baggage and went immediately to the restaurant where they said we would find Fred Carter, 3D2CC

Fred (an old friend of WD5FQX, Darleen) who had graciously offered us the use of his radio shack on the island and his quad antenna for our operation. Fred arranged with us to bring our gear to his house at 7:00 the following morning. One of the local Fiji lads would help carry things as we had a 150 foot uphill climb to Fred's house at the top of the highest hill on the island. What a beautiful location for operating radio! As we operated we looked out at the hill-tops of the island and the vast sea dotted with islands and sailboats.

By 8:00 A.F.I. the morning of the 14th we were on the air again with Mary Lou's Yaesu 757 GX and Fred's antenna system. We decided to take 3 hour shifts here, since there were just three of us and since it took us 15 minutes each way to go from our bure to the radio shack. We were surprised to find propagation and conditions somewhat different than on Wallis. The bands sort of died around 11 sOO A.M. and weren't really open again until 3:00 A.M. (that's 0300 UTC). We continued to operate until 2:00 or 3:00 in the morning and then break for needed rest until 7:00 A.M. Occasionally we'd operate longer than that if signals were still coming in strong and if the operator was sufficiently awake We quickly learned to close all the windows at night to keep out the teeny no-see-ums that had inundated us the first night, bit bare arms and legs and caused CW irregularities and splotches of blood on the log book. Our efforts brought 3538 contacts from Fiji of which 1230 were in CW. Often we were able to make contacts on CW when no activity on SSB.

Anyway, we were all quite happy with the total.

We found during our stay in Fiji especially that the hot water bottle and a prescription of broad spectrum antibiotic Mary Lou had brought was indispensable (although a broad spectrum only sort of works on sinuses. Next time I shall bring acromycin as well as my usual decongestant.) Mary Lou used the hot water bottle on her stiff neck and took turns with me using it on my infected sinuses. Alice's skill in massage for Mary Lou's neck also proved to be a lifesaver. In spite of our aches and pains and lack of sufficient sleep and the rather poor grocery supply available at the local store for our own meal preparation, we survived rather well. We enjoyed our own cooking, laughed a lot and got along famously.

In the little free time we had (when we were awake!) we visited a local lapidary and gift shop and the resort gift shop, went swimming and birdwatching. The latter was fantastic - mostly done on our way up and down the hill to Fred's house. The local honeyeaters and curious sociable wood swallows were charming - and there were blue kingfishers, strawberry finches and parrot finches with their bright colors, and hawks and herons as well. We had sunny and warm days, occasionally a bit sultry, and beautiful moonlit nights, which made the walk up and down in the night quite wonderful. We carried a flashlight only to avoid stepping on the numerous frogs of all sizes. We learned later that the North and West side of the main Island of Viti Levu is usually thus while the South and East side is very rainy. We were glad we hadn't gone to Suva for the week!

Fred was a most agreeable host, keeping pop or juice on hand in his refrigerator for us, supplying us with a key and seeming not to mind our comings and goings, which I'm sure must have been a disruption of his usual life style. He like to retire early and when we arrived at 7s00 in the morning he had already been up for 2 or 3 hours. He entertained us for dinner at Dick's restaurant one evening before we left and we took him to lunch the last day before our flight back to Nadi.

We had no trouble with customs that last day, though the officials were different and seemed a bit bewildered that we came there. Afterward we took all our baggage outside and up a long sidewalk to the airline check in which was in a different building - (seemed peculiar security procedure?!) The Canadian Air checkin people placed us in First Class to open up economy seats for some standbys, so we rode back to Honolulu in style! We arrived in Honolulu in the middle of the night. It was a sad farewell to Alice then, and for Mary Lou and me the next day as we went our separate ways. We vowed to keep in touch and look forward to the Next One!

YBS - - It Is ft-O-K to KOSRftE

by Nancy Vander Velde, AABEA

At the Kosrae International Airport, there is a public telephone. To travelers from the U.S., such a sight may not seem to be remarkable, but in Micronesia, public phones are often too few and far between, and their phone lines are visible leading to the Kosraean terminal, which is miles and miles out of town. So, does this phone work? Yes, this is just one case of things that are a-o-k in Kosrae.

The phones in the more out-of-the-way sites on this steep cliffed island are "rural phones". This is a full duplex VHF system that not only is an efficient means of communication, but prevents the spectacular landscape from being marred by unsightly poles and wires. These rural phones, as well as the regular line phones that are found in greater abundance around the Lelu/Tofol capital area, are all controlled by a surprisingly large, and very neat, communications office. The equipment may be slick and modern looking, but a home town friendliness is maintained. The operator still can track down a person, even if they are not near their regular phone number.

Not too far from the communications office in Tofol is the Kosrae State run AM radio station, WTFLL, broadcasting at 1500 Mhz in both English and Kosraean. On Kosrae itself, the quality of transmission is "mwona", (good), but since it is only a low power station, any time after the sun sets over Hawaii, the Kosraean station has difficulty reaching any place distant. Honolulu's big easy-listening station, KUMU, is also licensed for 1500 Mhz, and its tremendous wattage can effectively squash any signal from tiny Kosrae. But for an island of only 7,000 people to have its own language station at all is, yes, a-o-k.

Ham radio is equally, yes, a-o-k on Kosrae. In proportion to the limited population of the State, the number of amateur radio operators is about what one would expect. In addition to resident radio set-ups, since Kosrae is a popular sailboat stop-over spot, quite a few "marine mobile" calls drift through every year.

One thing from which Kosrae, like all of Micronesia, suffers, however, is the lack of a consistent spelling system. All of the indigenous tongues were spoken long before the advent of Western men and their alphabet. These "lettered" people subsequently put themselves to the task of representing non-European sounds with European symbols. That is why "Kosrae" will often be written "Kusaie" on older maps, and the capital and ruins of the ancient city of "Lelu" is also spelled "Lelah" or "Lele", depending upon the mood of the one who does the spelling! Can't anyone come up with a system that is consistent and can

be spelled out the same way each time, as is done in radio's international phonetics?

Yes, that would 'aok' or a-o-k, (or alpha-oscar-kilo). In Kosraean, "yes" is consistently spelled "a-o-k" and is actually pronounced as it is spelled, (aow-k). A concerted effort is being put forth by linguists throughout the Pacific to standardize spelling. But, yes, 'aok' is English all that much better? Is it completely a-o-k? Well, take that term, and interjection of recent origins, coming to us a by-product of modern American colloquialism and popularized by the space program (so no fair trying to put the blame on some Middle English speaking, semi-educated poet who died 600 years ago). "A" appears to be from "all" or (A-I), "top-quality", that is understandable... but "OK" is, according to most linguists, to be an abbreviation from "Oil Korrekt"! Who can't spell?

Even the "great white fathers" who determine the world's call signs have trouble with how to spell things in Micronesia. Until recently, the Federated States of Micronesia, of which Kosrae is one of the four states, was "KC6—" calls, but that is also under transition. Now, V76—" is more accurate. So, don't complain about Micronesian spelling — just enjoy it.

Radio communications and inconsistent spelling — both seemingly opposites in the refined discipline of conveying information from one person to another. Perhaps in some places, that is, they could be opposite. But just as the public phone at the Kosrae International Airport, with no visible wires leading to it, (and not even a place to deposit a dime), may seem to uninformed outsiders as if it should not work, the same with the "creative" spelling system. They do the job, that is what is important. On the Micronesian Island State of Kosrae, both types of communication are, yes, aok, a-o-k.

Len Mwo a Itnguhul-tolu (Good Day and Seventy-three)

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GOTO Guides OH th® ftiV'

from Cathy - UE3GJH via Billie - WB2FNF

In 1985 the Canadian Girl Guides and the United Kingdom Girl Guides celebrated their 75th Anniversary. The Guides are the same as the Girl Scouts in America. (Yes the Guides sell cookies too!)

Susan-WOIOI contacted Cathy-VE3GJH and asked if we could do something special. After exchanging ideas, my first thought was to contact CLARA (Canadian Ladies Amateur Radio Assoc.) and ask if they would be interested as a club project to have girls visit their shack and get on the air like the boy scouts Jamboree. The executive was in

favor.

Next move was to contact Guide headquarters to see what their response would be. After a few phone calls and visits to Headquarters & a visit with the G.G. Chief Commissioner of Canada, we were on our way.

Even though CLARA was co-sponsor, we wanted any amateur radio operator (YL or Offi) member or not, to take part. I Aeanwhile in the UK, the same idea was being worked on with Jennifer-G8WW0 Coordinating. We had several letters and land line calls so could work out things in full.

Another meeting at G.G. Hdqtrrs and it was decided that Thinking Day weekend would be the time. Canadians call it "Guides on the Air-GOTA" and the UK uses "Thinking Day on the Air."

The weekend was a tremendous event and has grown internationally since. We would like to invite the American Girl Scouts to officially take part in this and any other G.G. movement around the world.

We have calling frequencies. If you can't have girls in your shack, maybe you could help as a coordinator to get groups together.

The dates are February 24th (Sat.) and Feb 25 (Sun), 1990. The Calling frequencies are as follows. Feel free to break in CW on our 201*1 14.133 and we will get a station with girls to move up for you.

3.775 7.150 14.133 14.280 21.288 28.288

We have a "Guideline sheet" of ideas.

If you'd like any more information or the Guideline sheet send SAE and 44c (It costs 44 cents to mail a letter to US from Canada and I'll send you information. Please let me know how you do and a possible picture as we have a scrap book and also write for CLARA and the Canadian Amateur.

33, GOTA Coordinator for North America

Cathy Hrischenko, VE3GJH

Will use the call VE3 Girl Guides Canada (VE3GGC)

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excerpted from WorldRadio

Carole Perry, WB2f*)GP, found herself at loose ends job-wise about 9 years ago when the electronics firm of which she was Vice President relocated. She happened to hold a teacher's license, so she agreed to fill a two-month vacancy at a Staten Island junior high school as an interim assignment.

There was no curriculum designated for the assignment and Carol was basically given free rein, so she decided to use Amateur Radio as the core for her teaching...after all, it was only for two months...

At the end of two months, the program seemed to be successful, the

students were eager and parents were supportive, so the school district said, "Why don't we do it again?" Nine years later, she's still doing it "again," and her program is mandatory for all students in the school, two 40-minute periods a week. Carole feels that self-esteem is the best product of the program.

Carole starts her students with learning the code. She says she never mentions the Code/No-code controversy going on in Amateur Radio today. Her students do not perceive the acquisition of code skills as an impossible task—it is just part of the whole ball of wax—a secret language which is a status symbol once it is acquired.

Spelling and language skills improve in the program because of peer pressure—junior high students do not want their friends to make fun of them because they misspelled a word in a message. Geography skills are whetted when the students contact people in other countries. Preparation for visitors from Sierra Leone opened up many avenues for study about that country and its people. Current disasters are monitored to develop the awareness of how Amateur Radio helps in everyday life.

Handi-hams and retirees are vital resources in Carole's program. These contacts help develop admittance, compassion and respect for others in the students, and also enable interaction with older people—a link that may be missing in the homes of many students.

Carole's students have talked to people at the Johnson Space Center, and on Aug. 1, 1985, talked to Tony England, WOORE, aboard the Space Shuttle.

Although attaining an Amateur Radio license is not the main goal of Carole's program, 75\$ will get a Novice license and 10\$ will upgrade. Learning in the class does influence career choices, and even though the student may not become an Amateur Radio operator, he or she develop knowledge and positive feelings about the hobby.

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YL RestetdhCB to Hdm Rdtfto?

by Carole Perry, WB2MGP

After teaching "Introduction to Amateur Radio" for the past 9 years at Intermediate School 72, I have noticed several patterns and themes that happen each term. One dominant recurring theme is the initial resistance of the girls in my classes, at first.

I've learned how to circumvent this right at the beginning. As soon as I'm done giving my "hype" about why they will all love amateur radio, I then say, "But you girls are probably sitting there thinking that it's too bad you can't do it, because after all you are female." Many smiles break out at this point because that's exactly what they

were thinking!

I point out that argument will have a hard time getting past PIE. If only we could get more YL instructors for role models in the schools and clubs. The reality is that statistically, the girls do just as well as the boys on the Novice exam, and on the upgrades as well.

Every morning before school starts, I allow the kids who are already licensed to come to my room to use the school station. I am thrilled to bits to be able to announce that this term my 2 star pupils in the morning are both young ladies. Out of 450 students each term, it has finally worked out that 2 girls, both named Mary, come to the ham shack every morning. I get such a kick out of listening to them introducing themselves on the air as "Mary-KB2IGG, and Mary-KB2IGY." The local hams on 2 m have of course nicknamed them "IGG" and "IGY".

It's with a great deal of pride that I have taken all the interested youngsters under my wing. But there sure is something special going on when it's a YL!

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Jan Harding, KA3SZR, who lives in Baltimore, DID, wrote to the Editor with a report on whats happening in her life. Her 01*1 is in currently in the VA Hospital in Richmond, VA, 150 miles from home. He has been paralyzed (quadriplegic) for 32 years, is now deaf, and has developed serious kidney problems. Jan requests that cards be sent to him at the hospital as he is so isolated, being deaf. It might help to keep his spirits up as it is very hard for him being so far from home and family. It seems it will be at least three months before he can be back home; meanwhile, Jan has that run up and down the highway to visit. Please address cards to:

Walter P. Harding, Jr.
 SCI Unit 1U, Room 141
 V.A. Medical Center
 1201 Broad Rock Blvd.
 Richmond, VA 23249

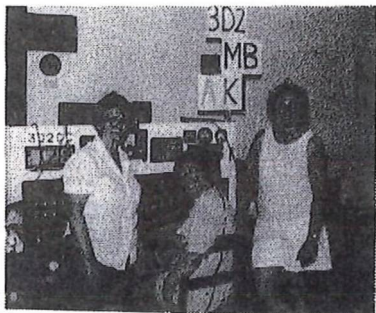
Jan would be most grateful. It must be very difficult, being a homemaker when your 0P1 is in hospital, 150 miles away. Incidentally, November 25th is their Wedding Anniversary!



1-rs KD8SC-Rosemary, N8FWS, Betty WBWRJ-Carol, and WD8IKC, Doris with the Buckeye Belle Banner.



Funiko, JA6VWV
JLRS Party 7/29



FIJB ISLANDS



WALLIS ISLAND



Mady-KA6ZYF (with the flowers); OH, Terry-lil6/G3HHV on her right; Shamil, UW9WW on Terry's right (their host while in Ufa, USSR); and members of the Ufa Central Radio Club.



Please see Page 2 for a complete listing of your newly elected District Chairmen to whom you should send your news for the Jan/Feb issue.

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WD4SLJ, Velma Ayer, became a Silent Key in July, 1909

Joe, K3WSV, On of Dottie Scialdone, K3YPH

Lloyd, ex K7YTU, OM of Marie, K7WVQ passed away in July
Lilo, KA8IUD and OM W8TSF, Jack lost his mother Sept. 16th

Frank, W9SI0, 01*1 of Ann, K9RXK, passed away Oct. 2nd

Father-in-law of Mary, VE3C0H

VK3NL0, Joan Sutherland

Our sincerest sympathies to families and friends.



UPGRADES

KB5HPH, Susan, passed her General test recently

N8AIM, Judith, passed Advanced test Aug. 26th.

KA0YIdJ, Debbie, passed General, new call NOKQC

YLRL 50th ANNIVERSARY CERTIFICATE

In the last couple of YL to YL contests several YLs have been heard to ignore OMs who were calling them. For shame! Please be kind and consider the fact that the YL 50th Anniversary Award ends in just a few weeks. There are no more contests in 1989 so try and be more readily available.

Check into your net frequency earlier than net time and announce you are QRV for anyone who wishes a YL contact for the Certificate. Stay on a little later so you can be called. REMEMBER, you represent ham radio and the YLRL. Tnx, KD7YB

District TWO News

Miriam Lamb, KB2AUR

Convention is a fond memory but Lois, WA2RX0, SAYLARC's President/Editor reports she has a few of those beautiful bags SAYLARCS made which can be purchased for the sum of \$2.00. Logos only are \$.75, including postage and handling. Order from Lois Ierlan, 725 Proctor Ave., Ogdensburg, NY 13669.

Jeanie, WA2BGE, reports that her dipole blew down some time ago ■ and she has been unable to get on the air. However, since she is currently Secretary and Membership Chairman of LIMARC, Treasurer of the LI OX Assoc., and of course Receiving Treasurer for YLRL, one wonders when she would have time to "ham it up." She has also just returned from a 7000 mile motor trip to Great Falls, MT and says she is terribly disappointed with the state of 2m. "Not once did anyone ever come back to me when I stated, 'This is WA2BGE mobile (3,7,8,9,0 or VE3).'" Yet she says she heard hams talking, waited 'til they were finished, and put in her call. No response.

On the other hand, Minerva, UJB2JNL, reports nothing but friendly and helpful QSO on 2m in both CA and WA state (the only states in which they used 2m) when she and her 0M drove out to her daughter's wedding. It would be interesting to hear some other comments.

Betty, W2PVS, reports that she and her 0M Bill, U2KBH, have bi-monthly QSOs with their son Bob, UROM in Kansas City, KS. Betty is extremely busy in Army MARS (AAR2FN) and currently serves as Zone 2 Coordinator.

Speaking of MARS, Marcy, WA2URE (NNNOliRP), recently received a letter of Commendation from the Commander, Naval Telecommunications Command. It reads in part, "For significant contributions to the continuing success of the Navy-Marine Corps Military Affiliate Radio System 9MARS) from 1 Januariy 1988 through 31 December 1988...Mrs. Kessler has demonstrated that she is a unique and worthy ally of the U.S. Naval Telecommunications System and is commended for her dedication to the MARS program." Heartiest congratulations, Marcyt!!

Myrtle, W2AKC, hosted a potluck supper meeting for SAYLARCS at her beautiful home in Medford Lakes, NJ. The turnout was disappointing but numbers were swelled by the inclusion of Carol, AD1P, Sylvia, W3SLF, Bertha (Bert), W3TNP, and Barbara, KC4HMP. Lois, WA2RX0, arrived a day or two early so that she could assist Myrtle and others with radio communications at the Miss America Parade in Atlantic City.

Happy holidays to all. Make a New Year's resolution - send me your news!

D\stK~\ct Th^E'E' News Sylvia Soble, W3SLF

 Hello gals! Twice since last writing to you I have listened to emergency nets in operation—for Hugo and the San Francisco earthquake. It made me swell with pride for those of our hobby who were doing such a fantastic job. During the Hugo catastrophe it was super to have all three of our big TV stations carry amateur radio reports and interviews with our local hams directing traffic. It was the most impressive coverage I have ever seen in this area.

Norma—W3CG, aided in communications during the Eriesistable Marathon - the Mayor's 10k Cup Race. Norma manages to keep into ham activities even though her A4 beam is still on the ground. She also sent me a nice list of new YLs in PA. As soon as we can get their QTHs, they will be receiving an application to YLRL. When the Sovereign of the Seas, the largest of the cruise ships, leaves for the Carribean soon, it will carry a contingent of amateur radio operators. On board will be Jane Jones-K3ZDN, Bob Murphy-WB3IRB, Edna-WA3NGV and OM Dan-WA3BKR, and Virginia-KA3VEM. With handie talkies along no one should get lost!!!

We want to welcome Virginia Hauck-KA3VEM to YLRL. Both her cousin Jane-K3ZDN and I expect big things from her in amateur radio.

Jeanne-KA3E0 and her OM Dick-WB3AJC moved from Greensburg, PA to Worton, MD. They have entered many Coast Guard activities and are now certified as Crew with the USCG Auxiliary.

Mary Ann-WA3HUP (QSL manager for JY1; also a QSL manager) had a cook-out for a number of hams. Those attending were: VK3DHT-Bruce from Australia; GMQZXY-Ken (Norway); AI5P-Ricl<; W3Hnk-Joe; N03C-Sterling; WB3CQN-Ruthanna; W3WKK-Brian (W3 QSL manager); WB3DNA-Tim; WB3G0C; Dawn; KK3S-Koos (Netherlands); WB3EFQ-Lois and OM Tom-W3BZN; KA3CE0, Jeanne & DM Dick-WB3AJC. What a group!!! A good time was had by all.

Lois-WB3EFQ and her OM Tom-W3BZN showed slides of their trip to Australia at a recent get-together with Ruthanna-WB3CQN. At Ruthanna's QTH that day were Jeanne-KA3CE0 and her DM Dick who had attended the York Ham Fest. The slides included pictures of Gwen-VE3DYL; Mavis-VK3KS; Poppy-VKBYF; Heather-VK2HD; and Kim-VK3CYL. Beautiful memories of a friendship across the miles - through amateur radio.

The 7-land member of the PJYs, Edith-W3AAU/7 came home to Pennsylvania for a visit. The IB amateur radio operators (both male and female) who greeted her with a luncheon were happy to see her well and happy.

Girls, it's been fun. Thank you very much for your consideration and cooperation. Please give the same to Bert-W3TNP. Help keep this page filled with radio activity. 33, Sylvia, W3SLF

DtetHct **Follows** Dot Beam, N4DTC

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Hello again from the chilly south. As usual the weather is being fickle, which is normal with the season change.

Again, I want to thank everyone for all the cooperation you have given me for the past two years. Without your help this would have been a complete failure.

Ginny-KA4DDQ, and her mother made a trip to the west coast after Ginny's last bout with surgery. What a way to make new contacts and make new friends!

We were so sorry to hear about the loss that Jeanette-NP2C, and her OM John-NP2B, suffered during Hugo. However, it really makes you proud to be part of the ham fraternity when you see so many rally to the occasion. They will be coming back for a short visit and plan to start rebuilding around the first of the year.

Much of our radio equipment is still off the air due to some accidental flooding while putting on a new roof. Most of our equipment has been dried out but we still have furniture being refinished. If all goes well everything will be back to normal in a few days.

Jane-KB4QKX, is busy as co-chairman of the Kennehoochee Hamfest which will be in March. We are looking forward to seeing many of you there.

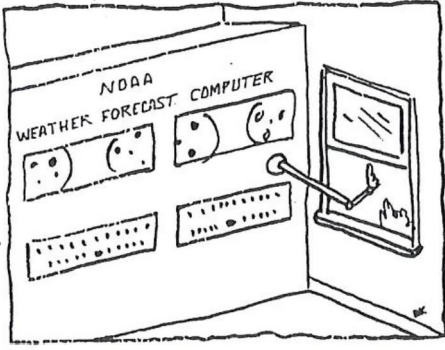
The MALARC booth will again be active at the Lawrenceville Hamfest in November.

As you know, your new District Chairman is Joyce-KA4EE0. I know you will support her as you have me. I have met many new friends through this article and I am looking forward to some day sitting down to a nice eye ball QSO with you.

33, Dot

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Our weather man



Proof that any beings in outer space are intelligent: they haven't tried to land on earth! If they HAVE, they took one look and ran for home!

District Five NeViS

Ellie Odom, N5BYF

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 It was certainly delightful to read the reports on the convention in Sept/Oct YLH; also made me sorry all over that I could not be there.

Joyce, W5MWK, your new D/C, announces the arrival of a new granddaughter, Reba Michelle, born Sept. 7th. Congratulations to you and the family, Joyce! I too am sorry that I could not attend this year's TYLRUN party in Tyler, TX. Maybe next year when the TYLRUN Birthday will be celebrated in Denton, TX.

KA5DWR, Dorothy, extends her congratulations and best wishes to Joyce, W5MWK on becoming our new 5th D/C. I'll join you there, Dorothy - Joyce will do a great job.

Dallas-Fort Worth-Denton area YLs are looking forward to having YLRL President Mary Lou, NM7N, in Denton for the luncheon 11/15

Susan KB5HPH and her sister Mary, KE5U0, presented a slide show to the Hot Springs ARC about their trip to Hawaii and the YLRL convention. Arkansas was also represented on this special occasion by Barbara, KE5ZI and Harryette, W6QGX/5

Diane, KG5CS has been selected to be a member of the Outstanding Students of America. Under "Ham Profiles" in the August 1989 issue of "73 Amateur Radio", you will find an article about this young lady.

A YL luncheon in honor of Mary Lou, NM7N is planned in Hot Springs on 11/13. Mary Lou will then be the featured speaker at the monthly meeting of the ARC there, showing slides of the DXpedition to Wallis and Fiji back in July.

This is the last column from me, N5BYF. Would like to "sign off" on a somewhat light note if I may. Everyone has been aware of the RFI my station is causing next door, right? Well, since this neighbor has not spoken to me or my OM in so long, I did not know that I am apparently getting into her TV set intermittently also. A fellow golfer (YL) called out to me on the course the other day saying, "Say Ellie, I didn't know that you are a ham; this is so interesting! Was next door to you, playing bridge last week and Peggy (my RFI neighbor) had her TV on. Your voice came through clear as a bell - just great!" She thought she was paying me a compliment....

Learned something new from our TV technician recently which I will pass on to you. (Please see Page 9, Ed.) It may just help some stations who, like me, have not had any success in fighting the RFI/TVI battle.

33, to all

Ellie

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19th hole observations The older I get, the better I used to be.

Dis News "firjC't Six Jean Baptie, W6ZYD

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This is my last column as 6th District Chairman. Thanks to all of you who have kept the news coming. It has been a pleasure to be D/C and to make new friendships with many of you. Please give our new D/C, Leila Henderson, KB6MXH, your support and friendship; and, most of all—send your news in early! She needs it no later than Dec. 15th for the 1st issue of Harmonics in 1990.

A few notes: Lenore, W6NAZ, received a handsome plaque from ARRL, noting 50 years of membership. She received her first license in August, 1939. She has a regular schedule with her step-daughter Cindy, KA7ITT on 14.238 almost every day at noon, PST.

Mabel, W6YZV, writes that she and daughter Judy enjoyed convention in Hawaii. Sorry your name was omitted in list of those attending from 6-land.

A newsletter from the LAYLRC included these newsy bits:

Vi, W6CBA-, won a beautiful ICON 1C-02A+ hand-held at the ARRL S.W. Division Convention, KGNS, Vi.

Pat, daughter of WA6BNS, Meta, reports that Meta celebrated her 89th birthday on Sept. 20th. Meta's health is very good and we all say a belated "Happy Birthday."

Jean, K60QD, continues using the walker but busy working out plans for the Western YL Roundup in Reno for 1990! "But I did manage to do a tiny bit in the communications efforts during the earthquake. My daughter's boss's ancient father lives in Salinas and he was very concerned about his well-being. Fortunately, through radio I was able to get word back to him that things were OK in Salinas."

Jean, W6ZYD, has been very busy—lots of company, hoping to get on the air more.

We have a very nice letter from Mady, KA6ZYF, concerning her DXpedition to Russia—please look for her report elsewhere in this issue (see page 13).

W6CBA, Vi busy handling earthquake traffic. Besides neighbors, there was a former Whittier School Dist. employee to whom Vi had given her QSL card about 11/2 years ago, who was concerned about her niece and family in San Jose; from Missouri, a call from a lady who had been principal of the school where she worked, who was worried about dear friends in Walnut Creek. Vi reports that all traffic was handled quickly and courteously on 75 & 40 meters.

WOBX, Carla also busy at the Red Cross sub-center in Los Gatos, which was very hard hit.

District **SdM&WS** Patsy Barmore, KA7MZZ

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 Hello from Oregon, it has been raining all night. The WX man says this weekend will be clear. Boy I hope so.

Anne-Marie, N6QPY/7 came back from a wonderful vacation south; rode the Mississippi Queen; went to many states; and had a ball. She and her OM are home now. Anne-Marie also became a Great Grandma in July to a beautiful girl, Aubrielle. Congrats to you.

Nancy, W7KWZ writes that she and Leona, KA7APZ, Kari, KA7VIP, were among the 33 amateurs who responded for varying lengths of time to provide communications to many of the fires that sprang up in Idaho in July. A total of 17 fires burned over 46,000 acres and was named the Lowman Complex. They worked 12 hour shifts. Then Nancy, W7KWZ went to another area (Worm Lake Fires) and set up again. She had 13 antennas up for 2, 10, 40, and 75 meters. "The Forest Service served us meals along with the fire fighters". This was all voluntary of course. Boy those gals are real troupers.

Flo, KU7F sends news about the YLISSB Convention of which she was Chairman; she really enjoyed it. the MINOW YLs who attended were WA7RVA, WA7TLL, K1IIF/7, W2GLB, N7HAT, WZ7F, NM7N and K7PVG. Two MINOWS were among the four to go to Wallis and Fiji, NM7N and N7HAT. MINOWs were also well represented at the Tacoma Hamfair with a booth for them and YLRL combined and signed up some new members. Flo had ZL1AMN and ZL1ALE visit following the conventions and then K4LMB and SP2FF visited for awhile. What a nice summer.

Marie, K7WVQ, has been kept busy with a lot of family business since her OM died. She has returned from California and hopes to get back on the air this winter.

Verda, K7UBC writes that she is real active; went to the MINOW picnic and Hamfest in Milton-Freewater OR where they had a bazaar. Verda plays in a band with a couple of other gals—accordion, banjo, and piano. They play in four nursing homes twice a month. Keep up the good work, gals.

Phyllis, W2GLB reports from the Cactus Keys; two new members, Louise, N7NAD and Myrna, KB7IJP. — Phyllis, K7SEC and OM traveled east for a family reunion which included Scotsmen from Scotland as well as the US. — W2GLB, Phyllis and OM attended the International Esperanto Convention in Brighton, England. — Beulah, W6NLM and her OM have moved to Knoxville, TN. They will be missed.

Well, that is it for now but I would like to thank all the gals that sent me news this time; without input, there is nothing. Sep you all next time.

DxstHct Eight News

Carol Iams ZW4WRJ

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 I'm so grateful to Vai for her idea to have the convention in Hawaii; otherwise I would never have gotten to see Hawaii. Carolyn, K8TFR and her sweet 01*1 took me out to dinner at the Kauai Sands on the edge of the beach. We ate while watching the surfers, which was really "neat" to me. I was glad I got there with 3 days to explore Kauai before the convention. Bobbie, WA8ARJ and Louise, KA4A0L and I had a lot of fun together in my rental car. Also I took a 1 Hr. helicopter tour of Kauai - really the most exciting, fabulous way to see it. The Buckeye Belle's two Ohio State Crystal Bells were won by N8EEG;s 01*1 Bill and K5MX0, Margaret. A TX gal got my OH Wine Glass too.

The Buckeye Belle Picnic had only 6 gals show up, so I guess we'll forget the picnic after this. We had a meeting at the Findlay Hamfest also.

The Chix-on-6 had a nice Installation Dinner at Kiefer's Tavern on July 11, re-installing incumbent officers. Then they had their Annual Picnic at the QTH of Byrness, KA8GNR. Those who were there were she and Betty-WSRRP, Jean-KA8SSK, Pat-K8VMY and her 01*1 K8KTG, Eila-WA8EBS, Margie-KBZEV, Helen-W8EFB, Dorothy-WB8JTW, Elaine-WA8QFL, Bobbie-WABBWT and myself. There were more Chix at their picnic than Belles at the Belle picnic. That doesn't compute —

At the Wellington Hamfest the only YLRL gals were myself, Doris-WD8IKC and Joanne-KJ30. At the Portage Hamfest there were Rosemary-KD8SC (calling the Bingo) 0oris-WD8IKC, Joanne-KJ30 and myself. Don't know what is happening. —At the Warren Hamfest were Donna-KB8YS, Doris-WD8IKC, Betty-NBFQS, Joanne-KF30 and Kathy-VE3GJH. I was sorry to miss that one. There were only a few at the Cleveland Hamfest too. We had a good program for the non-ham (YL) activities with Bingo, demonstrations and a talk on recycling by VE3GJH-Kathy.

Doris-WD8IKC helped with communications in the Canton Pro-football Hall of Fame Grand Parade, Aug. 5th. Shirley-KSMZT "stood by" at home to help.----- Suzie-K8CGI*) has been working as a Cincinnati Heart Assoc. I*ini-marathon Communicator every year. She also was on the Committee for the 1989 ARRL Ohio state convention.

Verline-KI8V wrote me she has had a busy summer too, besides work and the trip to Hawaii, she's been to Garnia & Chatham, Ontario, and Boblo Island, Cedar Point and to Frankenmuth, MI. Since they just celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary, they were remembering Friar Joe - the ham who married them - a PIME missionary priest, now in the Amazons in Brazil. They have dogs and cats, and her 0M has 3 aquariums. She says perhaps they should own a pet shop instead of a ham radio store, hi! 33, Carol

District Nine NE-H^

Karen Crull, KA9ZZW

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Greetings from 9-land. I hope that everyone had a nice summer.

On Wednesday, July 5th, K7SEC-Phyllis and OM Howard-W7UCX surprised Evelyn-KC7ET, by stopping by on their trip from MN to NO. Evelyn had just returned from Madison, Wi where she helped her daughter move.

Mary-KA9JJE and OM-W9MBC are trying to work OSCAR 13 on a regular basis. Mary wrote about a new YL by the name of Donna White-N9IOV who has become an inspiration to other hams in that area. Donna is blind from Multiple Sclerosis, is wheelchair bound and in braces from the disease but her good spirits are a lift for everyone. Donna, who is in a nursing home informs other hams of severe weather condx and also receives emergency calls from 911 telephone messages and gets the information to the proper authorities. Several area hams helped to coach Donna for her exams and have provided her with the equipment she needed. As Mary put it "I thought you would be interested in Donna's story - a real YL - N9IOV, Indiana's Outstanding Voice".

Marilyn-WB9TDR, attended the YLRL convention in Hawaii and she said she had "the most fantastic time of her life". Besides the planned activities, Marilyn tried snorkeling and went on a helicopter ride along the Na Pali Coast and through the Waeimea Canyon.

After the YLRL convention Cathy-ZL2ADK and Brian-ZL2TPS visited the home of Roxann-N09W and John-N09V. Their daughter Jennie-KA9VJF is Cathy's YLRL sponsor. There was a potluck with several members of the Central Illinois Radio Club and YL's attending! Deb-KA9ZNA, Evelyn-KC7ET; and Karen-KA9ZZW.

Evelyn-KC7ET set up a YLRL booth at the Peoria Hamfest the weekend of September 16th and 17th. Roxann-N09W and Karen-KA9ZZW also assisted Evelyn in Peoria. We met a lot of YLs and also got some other YLs interested in the YLRL.

Roxann, N09W handled over 50 pieces of emergency traffic from St. Croix after the island was struck by hurricane Hugo.

Thanks again for all those who set me some news. I do appreciate all your efforts.

33, Karen

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Weight-Lifters' Law: If you can't place it down easy, don't pick it up!

District Ten MEWS

Dana Tramba, NOFYQ

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Had a YLRL Forum in Wichita Set. 30th. Eva Karnatz-KC7RY from Arizona gave us a report on the Hawaii Convention. Eva is also member of Cactus Keys and a VE examiner. ..Deborah Bebus-NOKZR, likes to work contests and nets. ..Judy Kneubuhl-WDOGAH, is into packet radio. ..Karen Belford-KBODHT had a little trouble remembering who she was (hi) as she is a newlywed and is most active on 2 meters. ..Carol King-K5CPZ joined YLRL at the forum and has an Extra Class license; likes to work CW; is active on the phone nets and teaches special education. Carol is also Ass't. Sect. Mgr. for the Oklahoma ARRL Section and is V.P. of QCWA in central Oklahoma. ...It was nice to see Dolly Reece-N9CBG again. She is into UFO trying to keep track of her 01*1, but also likes DX-contesting and emergency services. ..Debra Harting is a new novice, eagerly waiting for her license. ..Eva Wills-KBOEHI/KT just upgraded to tech that day. Her OKI is Pres. of Wichita ARC, but as "First Lady" she put in a lot of honeydoo hours helping organize the hamfest. ..Kay Brunion-KA0SEN, keeps in touch with her 01*1 on 2 meters, but is pretty homebound with three little rascals. ...We got a pep talk from Bob Summers-KOBXF, our ARRL Sect. Mgr. who sat in on our forum. Bob is also Emer. Coord. and into county hunting. ...Pat Pierce-NOGP and lone McBride-KBOBOI were also at the forum.

Barbara Woerner-KA0GON writes that she is involved in the Army MARS program and is now Central Area Training Director of the USA. If any YL enjoys handling traffic and participating in good net discipline, keep MARS in mind and contact Barb. She has had a DX adoptee, Lydia-DF3BN for five years and they do a lot of letter writing.

Late last night 10/29, got back from Texhoma hamfest and had an exciting forum. I met Doris Anderson-K5BNQ past President of YLRL (1961). She said they got their 1000th member in YLRL that year. She has been to all the conventions the last 35 years. Also met Julia Young-K5JUJ, Mary Bryan-K5BPE, and Ruth Jank-K50PT, who also have been members of YLRL for over 30 years. Those ladies had a lot of good things to share with us about their years in YLRL. Others attending were Sue Meurer-KA5LNW, Carrie Price-N50UC, Audra Edmonds-K5JTG, Linky Brokhausen-N5AKJ and Patty Martin. Patty shared that her husband was working someone in San Francisco on the radio when the earthquake hit. It brought a lot of concern to see "Mayday Mayday Earthquake" come over the computer.

I have enjoyed my term as 10th D/C and am eager to tackle the job as Vice President. I will still be having the forums, so look forward to our eyelash QSO's in the future.

VE News

Thelma Woodhouse, VE3CLT

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 I just returned on Oct. 14th from a 21-day excellent holiday. Spent two nights and three days in Vancouver and then joined the Nieuw Amsterdam cruise ship going down the west coast, stopping at Los Angeles, Acapulco, Cabo San Lucas, Puerto Caldera. Then through the Panama Canal (this was a thrill) then the islands of Aruba and the Grand Cayman to Tampa, FL and flew home. Relaxation at the best... My son and wife and granddaughter accompanied me. A lot of firsts for Melissa who had not been out of Ontario before this trip.

Oct. 21st the Scarborough ARC hosted CARF S DOC symposium. Jean-VE3DGG, Audrey-VE3CC0, and Irene-VE3AUR and 5 OMs assisted me. Whenever hams get together we always have a good time.

Heather-VE3HQH and OM Doug-VE3CWO celebrated their 25th anniversary at a party organized by their daughter and the "Happy Hoppers" square dancers were out in full force Oct. 21st. They were presented with a card table and a crystal dish by the group. It was a great surprise for Heather.

Doris-VE3BB0 celebrated another birthday on Oct. 8th and the celebrating goes on.

Irene-VE3IRS—her two sisters were in a car accident March, 1989 and are still having problems. She is still square dancing and bowling and enjoying life. Expecting her 2nd grandchild in January 1990.

Mary-VE3C0H is still fighting her pneumonia virus. OM Tom VE3GZV's father passed away in Sept, after a lengthy illness. Deepest sympathy to Mary, Tom and family. They hope to get away to Florida for a rest.

Just got home after communications for the Scarborough General Hospital Halloween Run-a-thon. We had ten operators on hand. A beautiful day and over a thousand participated, hoping to raise \$50,000. This is the 8th year that SARC has been involved.

33, Thelma, VE3CLT

DX News

Mary Ketzler, KA00MX

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 A hearty welcome to these new memberss

LA8RFA, Ingunn Hanslien is a "happy ham operator from Norway", active on HF bands and eager to meet new YLs. She has been fully licensed just 21/2 years and is very excited about working lots of countries and loves ragchewing, too. She was planning to be active from 9K2-land the end of October, so perhaps some of you have met her

already on the air.

DF5VW, Marlies Dauster and her 014 Hans-Gerd, DK9VD are the new editors of the DL YL Informationen, the German YL newsletter. Their daughter Lucia, age 21, is DL5VV and son Clemens, age 18, is DH2VH. Another daughter Judith, age 13, must wait a bit to get her license. Although Marlies spends more time writing these days than on the air, she is eager to set a sked with her sponsor, Carla, W06X, and meet other YLs, perhaps in the contests.

JA6VWV, Fumiko Okazake has been licensed since 1971 and a member of the JLRS since 1974. Also hams are her 014 Kiyohiko, JA6RIL/JA3LR, her married daughter Aiko, JR6ABL, and son Katsuhiko, JJ6J0J. She has a 3 year old granddaughter. Besides radio, her hobbies include travel and reading. Look for Fumiko on 15 or 20m bands in CM or SSB at 1500-1700 UTC or on 40m 0100-1300 UTC.

News from DX YLs

E17CW, Clare and her 014, now retired, have sold their house and are living aboard their 32' sloop "Echo". They sailed down and across the Bay of Biscay and then down the Spanish coast to Portugal and hope to spend the winter in the Mediterranean. Look for her checking into the nets as Maritime Mobile.

DL3SAR, Ingrid has tried on Sunday to meet some YLs on the bands, the frequencies they were calling on for YL 50th anniversary award, but afraid her antenna is not good enough - just a wire put up in a tree by her OM. She does get on the air and talk to friends at home QTH in Germany and also on the German YL net on 80m. She was looking forward to the great festival in Paris on July 14 to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the French revolution.

GM4YMM, Christine went to the Scottish ham convention on Sept. 16 and helped with the YL booth. She sends greetings from the Scottish YLs. Her OM Ken had a trip to Philadelphia and a chance to see WA3HUP, Mary Ann and WB5NQN, Ruth and brought home copies of Clil magazine and 73 for Christine to read. They were recently out on a RAYNET exercise covering cycle race. Christine was one of the few lucky YLs to get a contact with the YL DXpedition to Wallis Island last July.

JF1WMY, Toshi writes that all the JA YLs that went to the convention in Hawaii enjoyed it very much and especially meeting many NA YL friends in person. Looking through the attendance list later she finds that there were some she missed seeing and she's disappointed to have missed them. Toshi went to the JLRS 32nd Convention July 29-30 in Kumamoto. There were 100 YLs along with OMs and families. She sends a picture from the YL-OM Banquet.

SMOHNV, Raija enjoyed the convention in Hawaii very much and

meeting so many of the YLs and staying in the wonderful hotel. After the convention she visited Sue, KA6S0C and the BAYLARCS in San Francisco and had a lovely day with them.

VK3KS, flavis felt very honored when ALARA friends put on a big celebration for her 50th anniversary as VK3KS recently.

XE1IW, Flaria will be XE1/KA5CVY from their new QTH where she and her husband have accepted new job assignments.

YT3YL, Alenka had an interview for a job on the day she had hoped to have a visit from Oarleen, WD5FQX. She was very sorry to miss Darleen but delighted to get the job as teacher of language and literature starting September. (Darleen was unable to get a phone call through to Alenka to arrange a meeting and was sorry, to.)

ZL2QY, Pearl has almost made DXCC-YL and is waiting for QSLs to come in. The latest two new ones were QSOs with the YLs on DXpedition to Wallis and Fiji Islands.

4X60W, Nomi visited Scotland during the summer along with friend 4X6SJ, Judy. They were entertained at a coffee party by some of the BYLARA YLs.

VK4BSQ, Wendy and family have sailed all the way to Japan, where she was met and entertained by some of the JLRS YLs.

News from DX YL newsletters

JLRS has some interesting certificates for those of you who like to collect awards—try theses

YL-ALPHABET Certificate - for working 26 YLs with last letters of call signs containing the 26 letters of the alphabet.

YL CW Certificates - for working YLs in each of the 10 districts in Japan, or in each of the 43 prefectures, or in 10 different cities, or in 10 different -guns, or 26 YLs with last letters of call signs containing the 26 letters of the alphabet. (Complete rules available from KAOOmX)

In just 10 months of operation the YL DX net (Thurs. 1700 UTC on 14.243) has had 65YL countries check in and over 120 Om countries. Net controls are Gm4Ymm, SV3AGQ, CS7Y, DL2DBP. All YLs and DX stations are welcome and any OMs that wish to work the YLs & DX on the net as well. DON'T FORGET YL ACTIVITY DAYS-6TH DAY OF EACH MONTH ON THE HOUR ON FREQUENCIES ENDING IN 88.

We are pleased to announce that madarne Chen Rong, a member of BY4AA Club of Shanghai Radio Sports Association now has her own private call. QSL to: Madame Chen Rong, BZ4AYL, P.O. Box 085-205, Shanghai, CHINA

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Normally we don't run obituaries in YL Harmonics but the following on the next page is a very special one for a very special lady.

My FVtehd Lta, H3CDQ----- a G^odt GWter

by Nozomi Gohara, JH3SQN

I got the first letter from Liz on Jan. 1977; "Nozomi, let us contact by CMI!" We made QSO-sked at once and often, but to my regret, our efforts were not rewarded with success.

After that, many letters came or went between Liz and me. One day, she said, "The next convention will be held in our Washington, D.C. Please be sure to attend the convention!" I decided to take part in it, for I hope to see her eagerly for long time. I remember, as it happened just yeaterday; that for the first time, I saw her in a room of the memorial radio station of the convention 'B2 in Washington, DC

Cheerful Liz! rather small but younger than I had imagined. At the first sight, we felt each other as old friends, and were very glad to see just like we met again! Liz was so kind taking care of me during the convention. At the parting we promised "See you again at the next convention, and by CW-QSO!" But QSO was also difficult between Liz and me, and then some dark shadows of a disease had begun to appear on her letter. She was kind enough on her cancer bed; she wrote me on Jan, 1988 to offer sponsoring, hearing I lost my dear friend and sponsor, Jean, WA6GUA by lung cancer. I felt her hearty mind with many thanks. ■I appreciated for her kindness saying Lia, WA2NFY had become my sponsor.

In May, my mother passed away by an attack of the heart and I lived absentmindedly. One day, I got a sad news by Ethel, K4LMB. "Liz went to heaven!" We lost a great Mama in Amateur radio! For 67 years! almost daily she operated CW with a hand-key. Her name "Liz" was well known around the world, and had been loved by all for her hearty personality. She got many awards and was a member of many honorable leagues. She was a past president of YLRL. She rejoiced becoming a DX-member of JLRS and hanged a pendant of JLRS joyfully. Dur Liz closed her life for 90 years. Ethel wrote me that Liz had no family. Ethel and Kitty, W4PPQ represented "family" at the viewing and at the funeral, was held at St. Anne's Catholic church in Washington, D.C. on May 19, 1989. The priest gave a wonderful eulogy - tying in Liz's interest in communications and the importance of communicating with our fellow man and with God. It was excellent - and so appropriate for Liz.

Also Ethel said: "I have been saying that Liz had no family, but that is so very wrong. She had an enormous "family" throughout the world. I'd like to feel that her Amateur Radio family was represented there when we sent Liz on her final voyage." Yes, it is the truth! I am also one of Liz's family! In the heaven, I wonder Liz see my mother and they talk about me...with Jean, too. I am happy to know Jean, and to know Liz! and to be Amateur Radio.

YLRL Contest Results

1989 MEET THE NOVICES & TECHNICIAN'S DAY

The winner was Elizabeth Anderson, VE7YL. Congratulations Elizabeth.

1989 YL-OM SUMMER SPRINT

YL RESULTS

1st: KA6V/7,	26,040	2nd: WE7B,	24,969	3rd: VE7YL,	18,383
WA8FSX/0 *	14,918	KG5UI, »	2,442	GM4WEW *	1,350
NOIDR	13,898	KK4EK *	2,322	K5MX0	1,256
NM7N »	7,254	N7IXI	1,683	KD8SC *	1,175
N1GRM *	3,726	N4LZL	1,674	G3KNU *	938
KB8RT/7	3,078	AA6MR »	1,392	N7KTG	660

OM RESULTS

1st: W10PZ	726	2nd: N4PUQ	662	3rd: KOETA	384
KD2PC *	195	KM4RH »t	150	KAOBHO »	150
AA4XM »t	150	WR40 *t	150		

Check log: WAOWOF * Certificate Winners

1989 DX-YL TO NA-YL CONTEST

COMBINED SCORE WINNERS-NA: VE1BWP

DXs GOEIX

NORTHAMERICAN SSB SCORES

Gold Cup: VE1BWP 1	418	2nd: WD8MEV 999	3rd: WD4NKP	978
WA1UVJ	504	WOOX	402	KD8SC 345
NOIDR	316	VE7YL	349	K6DLL 330
WA2NFY	406			KB6MXH 285

DX SSB SCORES

Gold Cup: GOEIX 1	179	2nd: DJ1TE	646	3rd: LA2PFA	574
GM4YMM	562	JA1 YL	375	VK6DE 162	JH6BFF 88
G4EZI	553	FY4FC	341	H89AC0 120	SM5EUU 53
CS7YH	471	DJ6US	338	SMOHNV 96	VK4ASK 40
ZL1ALK	413	VK3KS	336	JA1AEQ 94	LA6VEA 11

NORTHAMERICAN CW SCORES

Gold Cup: WD8MEV	158	2nd: VE1BWP	90	3rd: WA2NFY	30
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DX CW SCORES

Gold Cup: VK3KS	112	2nd: CS7YH	75	3rd: DJ6US	43
JA1YL---- 35	DF2SL----- 31	FY4FC---- 20	JA1AEQ--- 15	JHBBFF--- 1	

Check Logs: LA8RFA, KA4EE0

1989 YL HOUDY DAYS CONTEST

Only YLRL members participated; there were no entries from non-members.

1st Places KA4EE0 - 147

KA6S0C - 123	ZL1ALK - 68	WA1UVJ - 48	KB5HPH- 42	KD8SC - 28
VK3KS - 93	CS7YH - 65	KB8RT/7- 47	W4DEV - 38	DF2SL - 14
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Three Months Ended June 30, 1989

	Ckck & MM a/c	Schol. Fnd	Trav. Pres.	Conv. Fund	Total
Balance, 4/1/89	\$18,495.88	\$10,658.99	\$358.37	\$16,173.55	\$45,686.79
CASH RECEIPTS:					
Conv. Regis.	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ 6,633.50	\$ 6,633.50
Don.Sch.Fnd	---	820.50	---	---	820.50
Don.YLRL	825.00	---	---	25.00	850.00
Dues	3,438.80	---	---	---	3,438.80
50th Award	61.00	---	---	---	61.00
Int.Inc.	309.20	203.23	4.74	207.06	724.23
Postage	584.00	---	---	---	584.00
Quilt Tickets	---	---	---	1,316.00	1,316.00
Supplies Sales	705.75	---	---	---	705.75
YLH Subscriptions	8.00	---	---	---	8.00
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	\$ 5,930.95	\$ 1,023.73	\$ 4.74	\$ 8,181.56	\$15,140.98

CASH DISBURSEMENTS:

YLH Printing	\$ 3,346.31	---	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$ 3,346.31
YLH-Circulation	784.96	---	---	---	\$ 784.96
V.P.Expenses	86.87	---	---	---	86.87
Secty's. Exp.	104.90	---	---	---	104.90
Rec. Treas. Exp.	311.90	---	---	---	311.90
DX Chair. Exp.	203.66	---	---	---	203.66
Nomin. Ch. Exp.	36.36	---	---	---	36.36
Calif/Bank Fees	2.50	---	---	5.00	7.50
Conv. Exp.	---	---	---	11,090.03	11,090.03
Conv.Reg.Refunded	---	---	---	912.22	912.22
Conv.Hotel Deposits	---	---	---	6,938.98	6,938.98
Purch. of Supplies	(475.39)	---	---	475.49	---
Refunds	1.00	---	---	---	1.00
TOTAL CASH DISB.	\$ 4,403.07	\$ ---	\$ ---	\$19,421.62	\$23,824.69

INCREASE (-) \$ 1,527.88 \$1,023.73 \$ 4.74 -\$11,240.06-\$ 8,683.71

Balance, 6/30/89 \$20,023.76 \$11,682.72\$363.11 \$ 4,933.49 \$37,003.08

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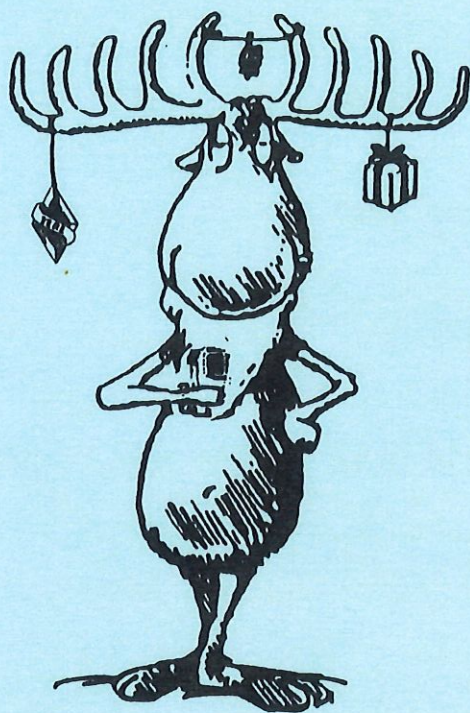
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