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First I want to thank everyone for the great cooperation I have been receiving since I took over as President in January. I particularly want to thank Joan, KG1F, Ethel, K4LMB, and Kay, WAOWOF, for the terrific job they have done in rearranging the manner in which **YL Harmonics** is being printed and mailed. It took a great deal of time and effort on their parts to arrange for the transfer of our non-profit status and to obtain the bulk mailing permit in time to get the last one out.

There have also been some other personnel changes. Eleanor, N8EXE, who has been our faithful Tape Topics Librarian for the Eastern districts had to resign due to poor health. One of our new young members, a fellow physician, Carol, KM6PK, has graciously stepped in to fill this position. It is a demanding job with a fairly long list, so Carol may need some assistance in the future. She will let me know.

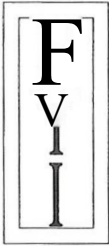
We need a volunteer to take over as YL Convention Kit Custodian for Districts 8, 9, and 10. It is not a time consuming job, so how about it, ladies? Roxann, N09W, has to resign. Contact Alma, AB5BA, if you can help.

We will be conducting the YL Forum at the Dayton Hamvention on April 30th. Ethel, K4LMB, Kay, WAOWOF, and I will conduct the meeting. I think we will have an interesting program, so be sure to stop in if you are there. The Buckeye Belles will have a booth to greet you.

SAYLARC has tentatively agreed to host the next YLRL Convention. I'd like to hold it in 1996 rather than 1997. (Three years rather than four years apart.) I think four years is too long. What do you think? Let us know.

33, Christine, WB2YBA

How many YLs have you recruited for YLRL in 1994?



FYI (For Your Information) is a new feature to help inform you of current YLRL activities.

Remember that a prize will be awarded to the YL who signs up the most new members in 1994. Be sure that you have put your callsign in the "Endorsed by" line when you pass out membership applications so that you will receive proper credit for new members.

Membership applications will be printed in **YL Harmonics** from time to time as space permits, and these may be photocopied so that you can keep a supply on hand, ready to pass out to new YLs that you meet.

OOO

1994 membership dues should have been paid by March 1. This issue will be the last you receive if your dues are now delinquent so check to make sure that you have mailed your check to the appropriate Receiving Treasurer, listed on the inside front cover.

OOO

YLRL is looking for a YL to serve as the KH6 District Chairman and a YL in the 8th, 9th, or 10th district to serve as the Convention Kit Custodian. Please help if you can!

OOO

Phyllis Douglas, K7SEC, Custodian for the Grandmother's Certificate, is missing some of the files. She asks that everyone who has earned the award send her the following information: (1) Award #? (2) Date issued? (3) Who signed it? (4) Have a gold seal? (5) Are you a grandmother or great-grandmother?

OOO

CORRECTIONS FOR YLH #1:

(1) The January-February issue of **YL Harmonics** was #1, 1994, not #6. (2) When applying for the Grandmother's Certificate, described on page 7, please enclose \$1.00 to help with expenses. (3) On page 23, Masako's OM was incorrectly identified as Yukarj. His name is Kazuma, and Yukari is their daughter, who attended the '93 YLRL Convention with Masako.

YLRL Contest Corner

From the Vice-President Carla Watson, WO6X

Meet the Novices and Technicians Day

Congratulations to Harriet Rayonor, KB8JVY, winner of the 1994 "Meet the Novices and Technicians Day" contest. Harriet was awarded a one-year membership in YLRL.

DX YL to North American YL Contest

CW: 1400 UTC, April 13, 1994, to 0200 UTC, April 15, 1994

SSB: 1400 UTC, April 27, 1994, to 0200 UTC, April 29, 1994

ELIGIBILITY: All licensed women operators are invited to participate.

PROCEDURE: DX YLs call "CQ North American YL" and North American YLs call "CQ DX YL."

OPERATION: All bands may be used. Contacts with OMs do not count. Work only 24 hours of the 36 hours of the contest.

EXCHANGE: Station worked, QSO number, RS(T), ARRL section/VE province/country. Entries in log must also show time, band, date, and transmitter power. Operating breaks must be indicated in the log.

SCORING: (1) Phone and CW will be scored as separate contests. Submit separate logs for each contest. (2) DX YLs, including Hawaii and Alaska, may contact all the North American continent, which includes the 48 contiguous states and the Canadian provinces. (3) Contestants on the North American continent (including the 48 contiguous states and Canadian provinces) may contact DX YL stations, including Hawaii and Alaska. (4) A station may be counted once on each band for credit and one point is earned for each station worked once on each band. (5) Multiply the number of QSOs by the number of different ARRL sections/VE provinces/ countries worked. A multiplier is counted only once in the contest. (6) Contestants running 150 watts or less on CW and 300 watts PEP or less on SSB, at all times, may multiply the results of (5) by 1.5 (the low power multiplier).

LOGS: All logs must show your ARRL section/VE province/country to qualify for awards. For each QSO, logs must show the station worked, QSO number given and received, RS(T) given and received, ARRL section/VE province/country of station worked, time, band, and date. Logs must also state the power output used. If you have 200 or more QSOs, submit a separate log for each band and submit a "dupe" sheet. Photo copies are OK, but no carbon copies will be accepted. File separate logs for each contest.

Certificates and Awards

CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE

Jeanette Ellis, NP2C, Custodian

Phone: (809) 773-9643 FAX: (809) 773-6574 (24 Hour)

January 1, 1994, to February 28, 1994

CALL	YRS CALL	YRS CALL	YRS CALL	YRS			
W3SLF	..... 35	W6QYL	..... 40	K6VFE	..... 45	W7NOB	..... 45
G3LWY	..... 35	WIRY J	..... 45				

DX-YL

Phyllis Davis, KA1JC, Custodian

Phone: (813) 697-3339

Certificates issued during 1993:

- #291 Florence Reitzel, J37FR, Grenada
- #292 Florence Reitzel, VP2V, British Virgin Islands
- #293 Juergen Eiselt, DL9MFH, Germany
- #294 Akira Miyai, JH3OHO, Japan

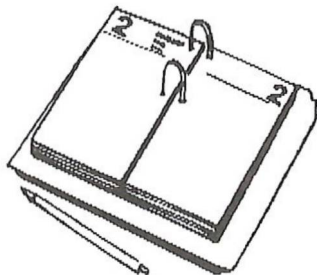
There were many endorsement stickers issued. Congratulations to you all and thanks for presenting such neat and accurate logs. I hope everyone remembers to congratulate these gals when they hear them on the air.

UPGRADES

WA1LGU	Carol Gawle	Extra
AB5QT	Dawn Gray	Extra
AB6WS	Ginger Franzen, ex-KN6IZ	Extra

(Ginger's friend says the Extra is the ultimate "know-code" license!)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!



April 6	YL Activity Day
April 9- 10	NZ WARO Contest
April 13-15	DX - NA CW Contest
April 27 - 29	DX - NA SSB Contest
April 30	YLRL Forum at Dayton

Remember to check into the YL nets!

Young Ladies Radio League, Inc.
Statement in Changes in Cash
For period ending December 31, 1993

	Checking/ ♦Money Savings	Scholarship Fund CD	Pr« Fund	Convention Fund	Total
BALANCE, 10/1/93	27883.64	13854.71	436.01	994.33	43168.69
CASH RECEIPTS					
Donations-Sch Fund	65.00				65.00
Donations-Other	0.00				0.00
Dues	137.00				137.00
Interest Income	160.50	0.00	3.39	6.83	170.72
Miscellaneous	0.00				0.00
Postage	20.00				20.00
Sale of Supplies	169.75				169.75
Subscriptions	0.00				0.00
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	552.25	0.00	3.39	6.83	562.47
CASH DISBURSEMENTS					
YLH Printing	1040.14				1040.14
YLH Circ/Editor Exp	586.09				586.09
President's Expense	298.39				298.39
Vice-Pres/Contests	115.63				115.63
Secretary	0.00				0.00
Receiving Treasurers	249.28				249.28
Disbursing Treasurer	43.40				43.40
Supplies Chairman	146.76				146.76
Librarian/Historian	0.00				0.00
Nominating Committee	0.00				0.00
California Fee	0.00				0.00
Membership/Publicity	0.00				0.00
Misc.	14.00				14.00
Purchase of Supplies	0.00				0.00
Refunds	18.00				18.00
Scholarship Award	1040.00				1040.00
YLCC Postage	0.00				0.00
TOTAL CASH DISB.	3551.69	0.00	0.00	0.00	3551.69
INCREASE(DECREASE)	-2999.44	0.00	3.39	6.83	-2989.22
BALANCE, 12/31/93	24884.20	13854.71	439.40	1001.16	40179.47

♦Scholarship Fund Savings \$ 1914.20 (includes interest)

Scholarship Fund CD \$13854.71

Auditors:

Roni Hicks, N4ODI

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Joan Gibson, KG1F

Disbursing Treasurer

"The smallest good deed is better than the grandest good intention."

Young Ladies Radio League, Inc.
Statement in Changes in Cash
For period 1/1/93 through 12/31/93

	Chocking/ Money Murke-I Savings	Suhilnrrfthip Fund	Piva. Fund	Cnnvention Fund	Total
BALANCE, 1/1/93	21569.63	13358.37	428.08	2661.29	38017.37
Donations-Sch Fund	3413.98				3413.98
Donations-Other	0.00				0.00
Dues	9856.00				9856.00
Interest Income	652.94	496.34	11.32	19.71	1180.31
Miscellaneous	86.33			320.16	406.49
Postage	2705.00				2705.00
Sale of Supplies	553.50				553.50
Subscriptions	8.00				8.00
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	17275.75	496.34	11.32	339.87	18123.28
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:					
YLH Printing	6502.20				6502.20
YLH Circ/Editor Exp	3692.45				3692.45
President's Expense	298.39				298.39
V ice-Pres/Contes ts	498.15				498.15
Secretary	96.05				96.05
Receiving Treasurers	1147.34				1147.34
Disbursing Treasurer	112.51				112.51
Supplies Chairman	339.15				339.15
Libra rian/Histori an	0.00				0.00
Nominating Committee	21.00				21.00
California Fee	5.00				5.00
Membership/Publicity	28.44				28.44
Misc.	14.00			2000.00	2014.00
Purchase of Supplies	108.50				108.50
Refunds	58.00				58.00
Scholarship Award	1040.00				1040.00
YLCC Postage	0.00				0.00
TOTAL CASH DISB.	13961.18	0.00	0.00	2000.00	15961.18
INCREASE(DECREASE)	3314.57	496.34	11.32	-1660.13	2162.10
BALANCE, 12/31/93	24884.20	13854.71	439.40	1001.16	40179.47
♦Scholarship Fund Savings	\$ 1914.20				
Scholarship Fund CD	\$13854.71				

Auditors:
Roni Hicks, N40DI
Alice King, N4DDK

Joan Gibson, KG1F
Disbursing Treasurer



Congratulations!
Ed, WB5FGN, and Myrtle, WB5FGM, are
celebrating their 60th anniversary!

The A - Z of Finding Rare DX (On the Africaner Group with Zenda)

Zenda Benton, KD5MD, is well-known in DX circles, and she has helped many operators make contacts with some rare DX. It all began back in 1977, when she took up Amateur Radio to conquer the "empty house (nest) syndrome" as her youngest left home for college. Zenda took a night course and earned her Novice license (WD5HMX) in November of that year.

In 1979, she began helping on the Africaner Group net on 15 meters and she has been with it since then. Zenda continued to upgrade and got her Advanced in 1979. Her call was changed to KD5MD in 1980. Zenda has earned all the YLRL certificates.

The AfriKaner Group, as it was originally known, began with WA6BJS, W2PPG, WA2PUB, ZS2JL (then ZE2JL), and a few others, who wanted to help those on the West Coast get contacts with Africa. Then they decided to expand to help new Generals get started in worldwide DX, and did it ever expand!

Some of the DX YLs who have checked in through the years are Christine Shaw as 3DA0BX, H5AF, and 7Q7BX; Iris Colvin, W6QL, from almost every country she has visited; and:

Jemina Minisnow, YV5NCJ	Laila McClain, JW0GB
Irma Mishellany, OD5MM	Lianne van den Brule, PA3FZZ
Margaret Bendt, TL8BM	Sitsa Tigaraki, SV3AGQ
Christine Dons, GM4YMM	Elizabeth Kane, GM0MJR
Ella Tugwell, G0FIP	Molly Henderson, Z21JE
Evelyn Windsor, SVOYL	Inguun Hanslien, LA8RFA & 9K2RA
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Maria Santos, CT4YN	Odalis Hernandez, CM5CB
Patti Kellogg, N3CRH/TJ	Usha Thadani, VU2UGI
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Dorothea Mann, VP2EE	Nellie de Lazard, XE1CI
Mary Schuitemaker, ZS5V	Mary Atherton, 7P8DF
Mary Barnard, J88AM	...and many others

Are there any YL DXCC countries you could use listed above? If so, you might want to check the Africaner Net, on 21.355 MHz, at 1800 UTC, Monday through Friday. It's a very friendly and helpful group!



Zenda, KD5MD, is shown at left. She and her husband Jim, NX5B, live in a beautiful log home that they finished themselves. They are using a Kenwood TS-930S, LK 550 linear, and a TH7DX atop a 50' tower. Zenda holds YL-DXCC #8 and DX-YLCC #45.

Overheard on the yL Nets...

YLRL President Christine Haycock, WB2YBA, is now in Australia, and she'll be visiting Mavis, VK3KS; Jane, the daughter of VK2AOK, who is now a SK, and Alf, VK3LC. Christine will be operating as VK4AZJ, so listen for her.

Louisa Sando, W5RZJ, author of **CQ YL**, has sent updates with the YLRL conventions through 1982 and officer data through 1985 to Kay, WAOWOF. Send an SASE for the update if your book is not complete.

Jeanie Parker, WA6UVF, is racing sailboats on the weekends for fun these days. And she's winning too!

Several of the YLs worked the DXpedition to Peter I in February. Congratulations to all and thanks to YLRL member Joan Branson, KA6V, and her OM Jerry, AA6BB, who are handling the QSLs for this very well-run DXpedition. Joan will handle the CW and RTTY contacts.

Le Henderson, KB6MXH, the YLCC Certificate Custodian, is currently putting all the old YLCC logs submitted for certification on computer, which will make future checking much more efficient. Le is also a QSL Manager for UH3E/UA9TF. Two good jobs, Le!

Kay Eyman, WAOWOF, will be leaving for Ireland on March 28. She'll be operating as EI7HQ and will make a special effort to be on April 6 for YL Activity Day.

Mary Allsop, WB5DVA, and her daughter Mary, N5AVZ, went on a great trip to Singapore and Thailand in late 1993. WB5DVA will be at Dayton, with photos and all the details!

Also at Dayton, will be Raija Ulin, SMOHNV. Photos in **YLH #3!**

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WANTED

YLRL is looking for a YL with a computer who can serve as Database Manager!

Duties consist of maintaining the database with current YLRL members and their addresses and furnishing the Circulation Manager with labels for mailing **YL Harmonics**.

Joan Gibson, KG1F, will not be able to continue in this position after May 15. She has recently transferred the files to a new software program, Alpha 4, and she writes, "Briefly, Alpha 4 is an easy program to use. There is virtually little for my successor to do, except become familiar with the program, because the label format is in place and it is only a matter of keeping the information current and cranking out labels." Please contact Christine, WB2YBA, if you can help in this vital YLRL position.

REWARD

Serving YLRL is its own reward!

Zina Zaiko, EU1YL



ThisThis wedding photo is of Zina, EU1YL, then UC3AB, and her husband Andy, at their wedding in December of 1991.

Zina sent the following information about the recent callsign changes in her country of Belarus. As of February 1, 1994, the old prefixes of UC2, RC2, and UC3, have been changed to EU and EW. Zina's new call of EU1YL replaces her former call of UC3AB, and her father Nick, UC2BA, is now EW1BA. (Prefixes 5, 9, & 0 are reserved.)

Regions of Belarus	New Prefixes	Ex-Reg for "R1000"
Minsk City	EU1, EW1	188
Minsk	EU2, EW 2	009
Brest	EU3, EW3	003
Grodno	EU4, EW4	008
Vitebsk	EU6, EW6	006
Mogilev	EU7, EW7	010
Gomel	EU8, EW8	007

You Think You Have TVI Problems?

*This item is from the November-December 1960 issue of **YL Harmonics**. It is dedicated to Ellie, N5BYF!*

This TVI takes the chocolate frosted cake! Jeanette, K8PYN, in Monroe, Michigan, writes, "I'd like to know if any other YL has a transmitter as powerful as my neighbor claims mine is. She says:

1. I have caused her sewer to become plugged so she can't flush the toilet.
2. I've caused her iron to get too hot and it makes her burn all her clothes.
3. Her alarm clock won't ring anymore. (Neither will ours.)
4. Her refrigerator clicks.
5. Even her hot dogs are charged when she cooks them. (What do they taste like?)
6. I'm causing all her children to get pimples. (A little RF rash perhaps.)
7. There were a few rusty spots on her porch roof and she said the firemen said they are definitely from my radio.
8. Her city water is charged and even her telephone. (She pulled the ground wire off her phone.) (Probably all that charged water is giving her the DT's.)
9. She claims my radio burned down our neighbor's garage.

EDITOR'S NOTE: At the time, Jeanette was running 150 watts!



*(Susie Scott, N8CGM, is Editor of **The Q-Fiver**, the Oh-Ky-In A.R.S. Newsletter. She recently published this story, with credit given to **Readout** via **DARA RF CARRIER 4.92**.)*

Two YLs were walking down the street when they met a talking frog. The frog spoke to them and said, "Oh, beautiful ladies, won't one of you please kiss me so I will be transformed into a handsome amateur radio operator?"

One YL picked up the frog and put it in her purse. The second YL asked, "Are you going to kiss him?"

"No way," said the first YL. "I can make more money with a talking frog than a handsome ham."



WHAT IS YLRL?

Organized in 1939, the Young Ladies' Radio League (YLRL) is a non-profit organization of women who hold Amateur Radio licenses. YLRL exists to encourage and assist YLs (Young Ladies) throughout the world to enter into the Amateur Radio Service. There are a variety of interests to offer licensed YLs: traffic handling, public service, civil defense, contests, awards, DX, etc., on AM, CW, SSB, FM, RTTY, AMTOR, packet, and satellite. Of course, there are the infinite benefits derived from just plain gal-to-gal ragchewing and the resulting friendships. You are always welcome in any YLRL activity. Come on in; the YLs are anxious to meet you.

○ YLRL sponsors and carries out programs to promote YL interest, appreciation, and understanding of radio communications and electronics. Through these programs, it encourages YLs to advance and improve their skills as Amateur Radio operators.

○ YLRL offers YLs the opportunity to host foreign YLs during their visits to the United States and to sponsor their participation in YLRL activities.

○ YLRL provides scholarship funds to worthy YLs to continue their education, with preference given to those in the academic study of communications and electronics or related arts and sciences.

○ YLRL offers a program of specialized service to blind YLs through the Tape Topics program. **YL Harmonics** is available on audio tapes for visually impaired YLs.

○ YLRL encourages Amateur Radio competition between YLs by sponsoring contests and offering certificates and trophies for demonstrated excellence in these operating events.

○ YLRL offers six beautiful certificates. Certificates 1-4 are available to any licensed Amateur Radio operator; certificates 5 and 6 are available for YL operators only.

1. YL Century Club (YLCC) - For working 100 different YLs.
2. Worked All States YL (WAS-YL)
3. Worked All Continents YL (WAC-YL) -
4. YL-DXCC - For working YLs in 100 different countries.
5. DX YL - For working 25 different YLs outside your own country.
6. Continuous Membership - Awarded automatically to any YL who has been a member for five continuous years, with diamond-shaped stickers awarded for each additional five years of continuous membership.

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CW Forever

Jim Hatherley, WA1TBY, 7/4/85

(Courtesy of **Silver Sparks**, The QCWW Newsletter)

You must have, at times, thought into the past,
Where some things go out, while others last.
What comes to my mind is the old Morse code,
That has weathered the storms from any abode.

To talk with one's fingers is surely an art,
Of any info you care to impart,
In most conditions the signals get thru,
While the same about phone is simply not true.

Those dits and dahs cut through the trash,
Of nearby noise or lightning's crash,
To the sensitive ears of the ham receiver,
Who records this data with ardent fever.

He knows he's doing something unique,
(In such poor conditions, that's quite a feat!)
To roger the message that came off the air,
These brass pounders sure do have that flair.

They say Morse ops are a dying breed,
But don't despair, there's always that need,
That when conditions get rough for the new automation,
Be rest assured, there'll be need for your station.

CW is dying? Believe it never.
This mode will be 'round forever and ever,
But one thing is sure, what we really need
Is to relay our knowledge to the younger breed.

To carry the torch, long after we're gone,
To send Morse code thru the air like a song,
When at last, Silent Keys pull that final lever,
We can rest in peace, it's CW forever.



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First District

Anne Manna, WB1ARU
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My sincere apologies for the missing news in the last YLH. I haven't missed too many deadlines, but that one flew by me completely. I was just too busy celebrating!

One advantage of the cold, snowy winter here in 1-land is that school has been cancelled on a couple of Wednesdays. Since Wednesday is Yankee Lassies Net at 8:30 a.m. ET on 3.910 MHz, I had a chance to talk with many of the YLs. Much of the conversation seemed to center on the weather, but it has been unusually cold, and in the greater Boston area, unusually snowy.

Dot, W1TGY, dropped me a newsy note recently. As the WRONE Membership Chairman, she has been in touch with many new operators. Interestingly, however, she has had requests for applications from YLs who have been licensed for some time. Perhaps when some YLs are newly licensed they aren't really ready for membership in a group. It's important for all of us to talk about YLRL whenever we can; sometimes it's the messenger as much as the message that makes a difference.

Several YLs have moved or are moving to Maine. Shirley, KA1X, formerly of New Hampshire, lives on Vinalhaven Island, after summering there for many years. Suzanne, WB1ATJ, formerly of Connecticut, lives in Rockport, a beautiful little village on the coast. Marion, KA2ZKM, and her OM are moving to Sabbathday Lake in the spring, after selling their house in New York.

Ellen, N1BTE, had back surgery in early February. Best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Carol, WA1LGU, dropped a note to say she's been on the air more since her mother passed away after a long illness. She upgraded to Advanced in October and to Extra in November, but kept her well-known "little green umbrella" call! Carol is the new Vice-President of the Mt. Tom Repeater Association. She's planning to recruit lots of YLs for YLRL.

Arline, N1OMA, is continuing her work with Girl Scouts and amateur radio. On May 14, Patriots' Trail Girl Scout Council is holding an Amateur Radio Drop-In at Cedar Hill Camp, 265 Beaver, St. Waltham. They will be operational on 2 meter and other bands. Try listening for them on 146.64, 147.03, or 125.23 and give the girls a chance to hear YLs on the air.

Anne, WB1ARU, and OM Tony, WAI ENO, and son Robert spent 4 days in February skiing at Jay Peak, VT. The weather was unseasonably warm for a day, then returned to normal (snow).

I'd love to hear from you. Drop me a note or give me a call at (617) 878-9235 between 8:00 and 10:00 p.m. 33, Anne, WB1ARU

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Second District

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Miriam Lamb, AA2DX

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I received a great letter from Myrtle, N2AKC, telling all about the three-week trip she and Glenn made to Florida in January, thus "missing one of the worst snow and ice storms that New Jersey has seen in quite a few years." While away, they first hit the beach at St. Petersburg for 8 days. They happened to meet a couple of gals who were on the air. Since they were not members of YLRL, and Myrtle "just happened" to have membership forms with her, YLRL may must have a couple of new South Carolina members! They went to Lakeland to visit Marge, WB3JUT, and her husband Gerry for a few days. "Then we headed fora'rooster flocking'in Rockledge. This was a three-day event, and not only was Marge there but also Carol, AD1P, and Anna, NT8Y." The final port of call was Orlando for a day of "good eating, great shopping and excellent shows." What a nice trip. I'm envious!

A nice "catch-up" letter arrived from Jeanie, WA2BGE. Actually it was a holiday greetings letter which was quite delayed because of a bout with gall bladder trouble. In fact, she spent her 77th birthday in bed! Lest you think I am giving things away that Jeanie would rather I didn't, such is not the case. Jeanie is the most active person I know and people who know here as I do are probably saying, "77-why, I don't believe it." Unfortunately, her activites do not include much ham radio these days, but since she has 320 confirmed countries, her record stands for itself. As she says, "It (ham radio) is something I can always go back to, but right now the brush and palette have my attention." So when you see paintings of animals and birds, her favorite subjects, check the signature. It may be our own WA2BGE.

I also received a letter from Trudy, K2UXW. Unfortunately, the news is not good. You remember I wrote that her husband suffered a severe stroke, and his recovery has been hindered by a number of complications. Then their son Cliff told them he has terminal cancer. Currently Cliff is receiving radiation therapy, but no chemotherapy, and is participating in some experimental therapy. Trudy and Roy are staying at Cliffs home now so she can help both of them. "My rigs are covered at home and one day I'll turn them on. Meanwhile we are praying for one of those miracles..." I know you all join in Trudy's prayers. Write to her. She can use some lifting of the spirits.

The day after the big snow of February 11th, the Orange County Radio Club went ahead with its scheduled hamfest. Don't tell me hams aren't tough. Furthermore, I worked with the other VEs and we had 29 applicants for new hams and/or upgrades!!! By the way, acting as a VE is a great thing to do, and I urge you to try it. You'll love it! I end with my old familiar theme song-write, write, write. 33, Miriam, AA2DX

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Third District

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Ruthanna Pearson, WB3CQN
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I have news about our Kay Craigie, WT3P. Because his wife was recovering from injuries suffered in a fall last year, Hugh Turnbull, W3ABC, the ARRL Atlantic Division Director, stayed home with her and did not attend the ARRL Board Meeting in January. That meant Kay, as Vice-Director, took the Atlantic Division seat on the board for this one meeting.

Kay is waiting for the QSLs to arrive for DXCC on 40 meters and is thinking of what to do about a better antenna on 80 meters so she can earn 5-Band DXCC one day! Kay is also enjoying contesting as a member of the Frankford Radio Club. That sure brings in the DX QSLs! This spring will mark the completion of Kay's 11th year as newsletter editor for the Mid-Atlantic ARC.

Kay wants to invite all the YLs who attend Atlantic Division hamfests to drop by the ARRL table for a handshake. She tries to get to all the big hamfests and many of the small ones to represent ARRL.

The ice storm brought down a huge tree limb that squashed Kay's wire antennas. When she was able to unsnarl the wires from the tree debris, only one WARC band wire was ruined. The beam survived the ice just fine.

By the time you read this, hopefully, we will have the -18° and 14" of snow and ice, frozen pipes and collapsed roofs, and lots of fender benders behind us! The weather has been terrible.

I had a frozen pipe. Maryann, WA3HUP, had a hot water heater tank that sprung a leak and two mail boxes were knocked over by the snow plow. She still hasn't found one of the boxes. Don't worry, Maryann, it will show up in the spring!

Maryann and I worked Naveen, AP2YL, from Pakistan, and are still looking for the 5R YL. On February 19, 1994, I received my card from Hafsa, Y11HS, a YL in Baghdad. She also sent me a picture of herself. Those are two nice YL countries.

Our local VHF club has a lot of new YL members. Most are no-code, and I am working on them to upgrade and to join YLRL!

My toy poodle Peppi has been keeping me busy. He is 6 months old and very active and is a lot of company for me. I sure love the little guy, and needless to say, he is king of the household. Guess we'll call him WB3DOG!

Hope everyone who needed the 3Y0PI worked them. They were very active on all bands and did a good job.

All you 3-land YLs get me the news. I am anxious to hear from all of you! In the meantime, good DXing. 33, de Ruthanna, WB3CQN

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Fifth District

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Doris Anderson, K5BNQ

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Well, the old groundhog saw his shadow, so winter has been hanging around these parts a little longer. That makes more fireside chats on the ham bands a good pastime-gets rid of that cabin fever!

It is with sadness that I report the passing of Joe, WD5HIL, the OM of Darleen, WD5FQX, and father of Diane, KG5CS. Joe had been very ill for a long time. We extend love and sympathy to his family.

Margaret, KI5OC, has been absent from the airways recently. She has been in the hospital for tests which determined she has cancer. Hang in there, gal! We are all rooting for you and praying the treatment is successful.

Betty, K5IMD, a long time member of YLRL, is now in a nursing home. Her address is Room IC2, Briarcliff Village Health Center, 3403 South Vine Street, Tyler, TX 75701. She appreciates bright, colorful cards.

Harryette, W6QGX/5, and OM Baron, W6QGP, are planning to drive to California in April to visit family and friends. Harryette may fly to Norway later this year to see her daughter Susan, U\0CY, and family. Too bad she missed the Olympics.

Congrats to Myrtle, WB5FGM, and OM Ed, WB5FGN, who are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on March 9!

Ann, N5GHS, has recently re-instated her membership in YLRL, following a lengthy absence and lapsed callsign. Her former call was WA5GLM. Welcome back, Ann.

Some very obliging hams in Springdale, Arkansas, have put up fallen antennas, casualties in two separate storms, to get our Mary, K5MPI, back on the air. It is so good to hear her cheerful reports of her busy life. We're thankful for amateurs who help one another.

Joyce, W5MWK, and OM Jim, W5MWO, are enjoying retirement, she says, building fences, playing with the grandchildren, visiting, shopping and sightseeing. She is hoping her friend Jodie, N8ALJ, will be back on 20 meters soon.

We have started a new YL net here in Broken Arrow on the club repeater on 146.910 MHz each Tuesday, at 1900. We were elated to have 13 YLs check in the first evening.

Happy Easter, everyone! Let me know what is going on in your area. We are looking forward to the Green County Hamfest in Tulsa, May 20 - 22. This will also be the West Gulf Division Convention. Y'all come!

33, Doris, K5BNQ

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Sixth District
Vi Barrett, W6CBA
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The Ladies Amateur Radio Association (LARA) of Orange County still have some of the **Watt's Cooking** cookbooks available. They are selling for \$5.00. The recipes are from the gals in the club and are delicious. Vi, W6CBA, will be selling some at the DX Convention in Visalia. Look her up. Some of the gals in the LARA club also want to plan and work their own Field Day. Good luck, gals.

The Young Ladies Radio Club of Los Angeles (YLRC LA) had their YL-OM Brunch this year at the Gotham Bar and Grill, in Montebello, California. Everything from eggs, bacon, and sausage to prime rib and salads of variety were available. Twenty-five members and guests attended. One of the highlights of the occasion, since it was the day before Valentine's Day, was Jeri, KB6USX, and her OM Vern, W6KKU, hiring a barbershop quartet to sing. Since Irma, K6KCI, is President, they started by presenting her with three balloons, a card, and a flower. They then sang a couple of sweetheart songs to her, and after lunch they sang several more songs. The whole restaurant clapped. What a floor show.

We are sorry to report that we have two silent keys to report. Mary Savage, W6VDP, passed away on January 30, 1994, at the age of 80. She had an Eastern Star burial in Downey, California. Hoddy, W6GRW, the OM of Elsa, W6JZA, passed away in Poway, California. He was 92 years old. Many of us have known these folks for many years, and they will be sorely missed.

Midge, K6BUS, OM Frank, WA6JEY, Mim, KA6STT, OM Al, WA6TAL, and Virginia, K6MQS, were planning to attend the Palm Springs QCWA Luncheon at the end of February.

Vi, W6CBA, and OM Don, KA6DJK, have purchased a new Bounder motor home. I call it "Sleeping Beauty and Prince Charming's Castle." It truly is my castle. Don and I are also looking forward to going to the Palm Springs QCWA Luncheon and will also attend the out of town guest cocktail party the night before. We, along with many others, were very busy on January 17th, at 4:31 a.m., with the Disaster Communications Service (RACES). Once our community of Whittier was OK and the city didn't need our communications skills any longer, the County of Los Angeles put us to work at the Sheriffs Communications Center, DCS radios, and the Fire Department Headquarters DCS radios. Since we have been plagued with fires, earthquakes, and floods, the only thing left is a grasshopper invasion.

OK, gals, if you want this column to say anything about the 6th District, please send me some news.

33, Vi, W6CBA

Seventh District

Norma Griffin, N7GLQ

Brrr, we have had a cold winter. Phoenix has seen days in the low 60s, nights in the low 40s, and it's been cloudy. Other parts of the country have had miserable weather. Now that we are beginning to thaw out, write me and let me know you are all right.

The Cactus Keys have elected new officers. They are: President - Maria, KB7INH; Vice-President - Leanna, KB8RT; Secretary - Judy, KB7SJJ; Treasurer - Myrna, KG7JQ; and Directors - Beth, AA7NW, and Carrie, KA7VYF. Congratulations!

Marion, WA7TLL, and her OM Roy have been very busy this past year. They have visited Mesa, Arizona, twice to help out with the new grandchild. In September, they spent three weeks in the Alps, and last May, they went to her 50th high school reunion. Marion says it is time to stay home for awhile.

Let me hear from you by April 15. I'll even give you an extension until April 25 interest free. 33, Norma, N7GLQ



The Fine Art of QSLing

You've probably heard the expression, "A QSL is the final courtesy in a QSO." But it's more than a courtesy to someone who may desperately need your card for an award or certificate. And when you fill out your QSL, please be sure that all the information is correct. In particular, check to see that the card has:

1. The callsign of the station it is going to, with no errors. Be careful that there are no transposed letters or a "K" instead of a "W."
2. The band, time, date, frequency, and mode of operation.
3. A signal report.
4. Your callsign and full name.

If any of these things are missing, the card will be useless for certificates. Please be careful! And DO QSL!

Eighth District
Carol Hall, WD8DQG

It seems the BIG news here is the weather. Obviously, this is keeping everyone at home and so far down in the dumps that they are unable to even get on the air. I don't know who had the most snow or the coldest temperatures, but the weather gurus are saying that this was the worst winter since 1912. The Ohio YLs in some areas had more snow than the Michigan YLs did, and on a couple of nights, their temperatures got down as low as -24 degrees F. I think we can all agree that this has been a long cold winter. West Virginia is getting the high water, that if and when all of our snow melts, we could also have.

Well, enough is enough, I'm going west! I hope to visit with some of the YLs in Arizona and California over the next seven weeks, returning in time for the Dayton Hamvention. If you are coming to the Dayton Hamvention, please stop by and sign in at the Buckeye Belles-YLRL table (C-11). The YL Forum will be at 11:45 a.m., on Saturday, in Room 2.

June, KM8E, took the train to Seattle for the holidays to visit her son. What a wonderful trip that must have been.

I felt left out when I heard everyone talking on YL Open House about the Grandmother Certificate, but I just heard that I will be able to get one real soon.

The TASYL's annual meeting will be at the Marshall Hamfest, in Marshall, Michigan.

The Buckeye Belles will hold their thirty-third annual meeting at the Harley Hotel, in Middleburg Heights, Ohio, on Sunday, May 15.

I hope that the members in the Eighth District will become more active as the weather warms up and send me some news about what they are up to in Amateur Radio.

33, Carol, WD8DQG

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Janis Cameron, VE7AAP, is collecting photos of "radio cats" for an album and currently has received photos from six countries and about 25 states. If you have a feline friend or two around your shack, snap a picture and send it to Janis Cameron, VE7AAP, 3528 11th Avenue, Port Alberni British Columbia, Canada V9Y 4Y7. What a great idea Janis had!



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Ninth District

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Carole Burke, WB9RUS

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Hi, again, ladies. February is almost over, and spring is right around the corner-thank heavens. My immediate family has avoided the flu, but my son's family wasn't so lucky. My daughter-in-law ended up with pneumonia, my son was close to it, and both boys had ear infections. Grandma was called to take care of the boys because their mom definitely couldn't do it. I was in Dayton for five days and enjoyed every minute of it. Of course, I would have enjoyed it much more if everyone were healthy.

Thanks to Ann, K9RXK, I have some news this month other than mine. Ann, you are an angel for this. Thank you.

Adah, W9RTH, and Ann, K9RXK, attended the QCWA Convention last October, 1993, in St. Petersburg, Florida. They also attended the QCWW annual meeting held at the convention. Ann is the President and Adah is a director of QCWW.

HAWK Roost continues to meet each Saturday, following the 8:30 a.m. traffic net. Fran, K9ILK, is net control. Everyone is invited to check in.

Fran, K9ILK, spent December in Florida and missed the heavy snows the rest of the Hoosiers had to contend with.

Adah, W9RTH, has been having rig trouble and hasn't been able to get on the air. She will be back as soon as her rig is repaired. It's sitting in the rig "fix-it" shop right now.

Lu Anne, KA9NBE, and OM George both had the flu but are better now. Lu Anne has added crocheting to her list of hobbies. She says it certainly takes a long time to get around the last few rounds of a tablecloth.

Jane, AA9JM, has been working toward getting WAS on CW.

See you in two months. Think spring and keep looking for the daffodils and SEND ME SOME NEWS! 33, Carole, WB9RUS

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KL7 District

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Lil Marvin, NL7DL

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Hello from Alaska. Sorry I missed the last edition, but I got caught up in Christmas and in teaching commercial radio license classes.

As promised, I have more about Iditarod, this time from Hannelore Kelliher, NL7EA, who worked as a ham radio operator from both Rohn and Nome. Hannelore and her husband Mark, KL7TQ, are both pilots and they flew from Anchorage to Rohn, a distance of 272 miles. The weather got bad so they were forced to stop at another Iditarod checkpoint called Skwentna, where they spent the night in a tent. The weather was better the next day, and they were able to continue on to Rohn, a distance of about 48 miles.

They were at Rohn for about five days. They used an ICOM 229A for their VHF communications and an ICOM 725 for HF. VHF allowed them communication further up the trail to the town of Nicolai, which was notoriously bad for communications. VHF also got them to the town of Big Lake, about 200 miles to the south. Temperatures ranged from about -10 to +20 degrees Fahrenheit. Hannelore said she went outside in a light jacket and Mark went outside in his shirtsleeves, so they felt pretty warm.

At Rohn, they operated the radios in a cabin, while they slept in a tent. According to Hannelore, this was perfect because she wasn't kept awake by people coming and going. She operated during the day and slept at night, while Mark operated at night and slept during the day.

Rohn was a great place to operate from because several of the Iditarod mushers took their mandatory 24-hour layover there. This gave Hannelore and Mark a chance to get to know several of the mushers and to hear some of their stories from the trail. They also got to know one of the race checkers. (The checkers count the dogs when the mushers arrive at the checkpoints. They also lay out the mushers' dogfood and other equipment and have it ready for the mushers upon arrival.)

One checker was from Russia, and he gave Mark an opportunity to practice his Russian. Hannelore is originally from Germany and was delighted to get to know one of the other race officials, who was from Switzerland. They had a grand time conversing in German. There were also several German visitors in Rohn. It was interesting for Hannelore to hear them speaking German before they realized that she also spoke German. When the mushers all passed through Rohn, Mark and Hannelore both flew back to Anchorage. Hannelore had two days in Anchorage before she had to turn around and get ready to go to Nome. She said it gave her time to take a bath, do her laundry, and pack, (to be continued...I hate those words!) 33, Lil, NL7DL



DX YL News



Lorraine Witkowski, WAI EDR

NEWS FROM DX MEMBERS

Gwen Tilson, VK3DYL, has won the overall prize for embroidery in the prestigious Melbourne (Australia) Open, which is quite an honor. Gwen's sponsor Lois, WB3EFQ, says that Gwen's entry was a counted-stitch piece of a peacock. Lois is especially happy because she got Gwen started about 10 years ago, and she also sent Gwen the winning pattern. Gwen has also won several other very nice awards.

Marilyn Thorpe, ZL2BOA, had a visitor in February from the USA. Her sponsor, Lois Gutshall, WB3EFQ, came over for a visit.

Christiane Walz, DF6UI, writes that she is happy to have a lovely, nice YL Sue, KA6SOC, as her best friend on the air for nine years. Her strong wish is to have an eyeball QSO with Sue in the future. Christiane has not been on the air in the last few months because she has needed to spend time with her family and mother-in-law. Her OM is a professor of electronics, and they have three sons: Martin, 22, is an electronics student, and Dieter and Thomas, 19, are twins, in their last school year. They will have to go to the military for one year. Christiane and her husband live in a village near the city of Freiburg, Black Forest, near the borders of Switzerland and France. She wishes the best for all YLRL members in 1994.

Angie Voss, GOCCI, does translation work and takes her laptop computer with her when she travels. She visited Germany and Canada during 1993. She took a day trip to St. Lawrence and crossed the border into Vermont when they were in Montreal. Angie and her OM Nigel, G4IJP, are planning a trip to VE2/3 and W1/2-land this year.

Ruth Geering, IT9ESZ, wants to thank her dear friend Lia, WA2NFY, for sponsoring her in YLRL. Ruth is a member of YLIRC, and in January, 1993, was elected as a DX correspondent, which she enjoys very much. Ruth likes to travel and meet the YLs around the world. She invites everyone to visit her beautiful sunny Sicily Island. In 1994, Ruth says they will celebrate 25 years of YLIRC Elettra Marconi and will be on the air for this event in a very special way. She sends a message of peace, health, and well-being to all in the whole world.

Mavis Stafford, VK3KS, writes that she is planning on a visit with Christine, WB2YBA, in early March, in Australia. The VK3 girls usually meet every second Friday in the city for a chat and supper. Mavis is only on CW since moving in 1991, but she says that she hopes band conditions will improve and that her 35' of wire over the roof tiles will be pushing out a signal loud enough for the YLRL members to hear. Mavis also sends thanks to all the officers of YLRL.

Edith Gillrath, DF7WU, wants to thank her sponsor Helen, NMOE. Last year Edith's OM was very ill, but now his health is better. She visits meetings in German districts, and she writes articles for **CQ-DL** and **DL-YL Informationen**. She plans to attend the 1995 DL-YL meeting in Koblenz.

Gerda Jacobs, DL5OBK, went on a 10-day trip to Scotland last August. She is planning on a trip to the USA this year and hopes to be able to meet some of the YLs. Gerda asked for the date of our next YLRL Convention. It would be nice if the secretary of the local clubs would write to Gerda and let her know when you will be having a get together. Maybe the time will fit in with her plans to visit the United States.

***EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following items were mailed to me by Lorraine for the last issue, but they were returned by the Post Office to Lorraine. Even though they are a little late, the good wishes for 1994 from the DX YLs are still very timely.*

Nomi Dor, 4X6DW, sends greetings from Israel to all YLRL members for a happy, healthy, and prosperous new year.

Gina Quenzer, DF1GQ, says she and her husband are now on packet radio. They were planning a trip to New Zealand, on February 14, 1994. Gina reads **YL Harmonics** during her coffee time in the afternoon and really looks forward to it.

Rosel Dach, DL2FCA, sends greetings to all YLRL members for a happy new year.

Constance Hall, G8LY, writes that she is still alive but has not been on the air much because conditions are so spasmodic, DX-wise. Maybe things will improve in another year or so. Constance wishes all YLRL members a happy and healthy new year.

Nozomi Gohara, JH3SQN, writes that she and Ken really enjoyed the convention in Wichita and visiting the homes of Kay and Mike and Dana and Norm after the meeting. She says they had wonderful experiences in the USA and really enjoyed seeing so much of the country. They have eight grandchildren, four boys and four girls. Their lovely eighth granddaughter Hikari was born on March 6, 1993, and her elder sister Meg is almost four years old. Both are very pretty and live

with them. Nozomi wishes all YLRL members the best of health and happiness in the new year.

Nobuko Yokota, JL1AVD, sends best wishes for a happy new year and a nice ham life to all YLRL members.

Tuulikki Hartikainen, OH7XX, sent her greetings from Finland. She retired on October 1st after working for 33 years. She had to retire on pension because of a problem with her neck. So now she is happy to live at home and do what she is able to do. In November, her youngest son and wife had a baby daughter, and so it made the year of 1993, a very happy one. She says it's lovely to be a grandmother.

Isa Theil Mikkelsen, OZ5ABD, writes that most of her activity on the air has been on the RS12 satellite. She has worked European stations on RS1 2 and one U.S. station, N4ZC. She uses her G5RV antenna for it, using the Instant Track program on her PC to track and follow it. She is now working on an 80-meter receiver. There are six people in the course doing receivers. Christmas in Denmark is a bit different from ours. They have Christmas dinner, walk and sing around the Christmas tree, and get presents on the evening of December 24th. Then they usually have a Christmas lunch on the 25th. Isa says she enjoys reading **YL Harmonics** very much and looks forward to each issue.

Anny Jenk, HB9YL, says she has troubles with her Drake T4XB transmitter, when suddenly in the middle of a QSO, the input drops drastically. The weather in Switzerland was really bad in September and October, with lots of rain and cool temperatures. In December, it was very foggy, but in the mountains they had sunshine and mild temperatures, with only a little snow. She spent Christmas at her older daughter's home in Bernese Oberland. She wishes all YLRL members a very happy year in 1994.

Silent Keys

We are saddened by the loss of these YLs:

W6VDP	Mary Savage	January 30
WA7IVA	Vera Samples	Late February

Heartfelt condolences to W6JZA, Elsa Wheeler, whose OM Howard (Hoddy), W6GRW, became a SK on February 6. Elsa and Hoddy were married 67 years.

NOTE: Irma, W6KCI, received a phone call from Mary Savage's sister, who asked Irma to thank all the YLs who sent sympathy cards. They were very much appreciated.

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Happy Easter!

