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The President's Hello

Nancy Rabel Hall, KC4IYD/8



Early seasons greetings to one & all.

As I write this letter in mid-November, I can hardly believe that my first year as YLRL president is almost over and that baby Hall could arrive any day now. For the most part, I feel many positives have come out of this year for YLRL. Most of our new officers have made the transition into their new jobs quite quickly. Some problem areas have been identified however, and we are working on several solutions to make our membership renewal process go more smoothly. We ask for your patience, cooperation, and suggestions as we try to fine tune things. I will be addressing a couple of the current issues a little later in the article.

We send our condolences to those of you who have YLs in your families or clubs who have become silent keys this year, but are happy to notice all the young YLs who are entering the hobby (see my earlier article about young YLs I met at Dayton and Diane Ortiz's article on Phyllis, KC2DKD, in the December's QS7). Let us continue to Elmira these young ladies who are the future of our organization and to support the Ethel Smith K4LMB Memorial Scholarship fund which offers a yearly scholarship to a YL seeking a technical career. Don't forget that the end of the year is a perfect time to make a contribution to the current scholarship campaign dubbed "The Sky's The Limit" after an anonymous donor offered to match the first \$25,000 we are able to raise. I would like to personally thank the '99 YLRL Convention coordinators and their committee for all the hard work and time they have already put in this year. I hope you will all consider trying to attend the convention next July as we come together from all over the US and the world on the Queen Mary in Long Beach, California. It's not too late to ask for money toward a plane ticket for Christmas (Hint, Hint!). Southern California has many interesting places to visit so why not plan your vacation around the convention.

After the directory issue comes out each year, letters & emails arrive to let us know of areas where we could improve our service to you. This year has been no different. Health problems for the DX-YL Chairwoman and our Dispersing Treasurer's broken hand led to some logistical problems. A few people have alerted us to the fact that their membership checks have not been cancelled. We are trying to figure out where the snag is or was. Should you be one of these persons you can help us out by giving us your name, callsign, check number, and the date you wrote your check. This will help us pinpoint the time frame we need to search for the problem as Ginger receives checks and reports twice a month from the four different Receiving Treasurers during the peak of our membership drive each year.

Since renewal time is nearly here, EVERYONE can help us speed things up as we process your memberships by 1) filling out the membership form as completely as possible so we can get our database and RT records up to date, 2) making sure your callsign is on your check, 3) sending dues for only one year at a time, 4) remembering membership is due March 1 and you are considered delinquent after March 31, and 5) sending separate checks for your own membership and your DX-YLs if you have an adoptee.

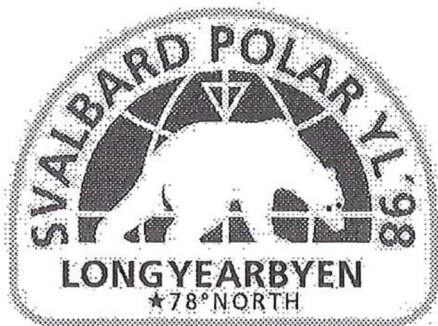
Several DX-YL adoptees were omitted from this year's directory. We thank the sponsors who alerted us to the problem. Information for many of those missing appears in this issue of YL Harmonics and these DX YLs will be receiving issues of the YL Harmonics that they missed. Once again we are asking for help. This time we are asking DX-YL sponsors to 1) check both the Sept/Oct directory issue and this current issue of the Harmonics to see if your adoptee is listed and to verify that the information listed is correct, 2) make sure that your separate check for your adoptee was cashed, and 3) ask your DX-YL to send her membership form, to you as soon as possible so that you can include it with your check for next year's dues. Our other concern is about YLs who've managed to fall through the cracks the last few years. Our DX-YL Chairwoman, Christina, especially, has experienced problems with missing membership records. We are trying to clear things up in this area by collaborating with our club's Continuous Membership Head, Jeanette Ellis, but this all takes quite a bit of researching, and therefore, much time. If you know of someone who should be receiving the **YLH** and is not, please contact YLRL secretary, Donna Deyoe, and the Receiving Treasurer for her district.

Band conditions are starting to improve and I hope to hear more of you on the air next year. Don't forget the "Meet the Novice and Technician Contest" in January and the YL-OM Contest in February. Check the contest page in this issue for more information. Why not brighten up the dreary winter months with a YL get-together to participate in one of the contests. The Cleveland area Chix-YL group always looks forward to their yearly party during the November Sweepstakes. Perhaps ladies in your area could start a new tradition, too.

Since my little one will be arriving soon, I have asked YLRL VP, Cleo Brackett, to handle all correspondence and problems during December and January. Her mailing and email addresses are listed in the front of this issue.

I have enjoyed hearing from many of you ladies this year and my OM, Steve, Baby-Hall-to-be, and I would like to send along our holiday greetings and our best wishes for a healthy and prosperous new year to each of you at this time. 33, 76 de KC4IYD, Nancy

Merry Christmas"



Svalbard International YL Meeting 1998

Kerstin Bengtssen, SM5EUU

49 licensed YL operators, two SWLs, and 17 OMs came together in Longyearbyen, Svalbard between the 20th and 24th of August. Longyearbyen is named after an American, John Munroe Longyear

who founded The Arctic Coal Company in 1906. Svalbard, situated 74 - 81 degrees north is a very interesting and strange place to visit. During our stay it never got dark! On the other hand, during winter it is dark all the time, and never gets light.



The hard working organizers (l to r): Unni, LA6RHA; Inger, JW8KT; Ruth, LA6ZH; Ingrid, LA-SWL. Turid, LA9THA is not pictured.

The organising committee, Turid LA9THA, Unni LA6RHA, Ruth LA6ZH, Ingrid LA/SWL, and Inger JW8KT had done a splendid job, and offered us many activities apart from the traditional ones, such as a YL-Forum and Banquet. You could take a Kayak tour on the Isfjord, or visit a coal mine, or go fossil hunting or glacier walking or even take a helicopter tour around the islands. Then there was the shack to visit where you could operate the JWOYL call or work under your own call JW/. Whichever you chose, you ended up working a pile up—a new and exciting experience to most of us, I think.

The Banquet menu was composed from local delicatessens—



The meeting took place at the Svalbard Polar Hotel.

Arctic Char, Reindeer and Cranberries, and was very nice.

On the Sunday we took an all day tour by boat on Isfjord. We visited Barentsburg, which is a Russian settlement with almost one thousand inhabitants. A local guide, who was also the postmaster, showed us around and after the tour we had Russian lunch, and a chance to buy souvenirs and postcards. (There were 241 steps from the quay to the town. Whew!) After the visit to Barentsburg, we were taken across the fjord to the Esmark glacier and treated to



whisky on the ^{KersWn on the key from} rocks, with 10 JWOYL operating as JW/ million year SM5EUU. old ice was from the glacier! It didn't help much—I still don't like whisky!

What I do like is to meet all my old friends, and to make new ones so I think I spent most of my time chatting and shopping, because you just had to buy gifts for everyone at home and also send postcards. It is not likely that I will ever visit

A collector's first day cover commemorating the meeting.

Svalbard again, but I am very glad I came this time. It will be a memory for life!



1999 Convention Update

July 30, through August 0, 1999

Martha Barron, KA6TYO

This is to recap all of the information that has been in *Harmonics*, plus add other things of interest. The dates are July 30 through August 1, 1999. The special rates are good two days before and two days after. At last count we had 100 that had sent in their surveys. Based on this, I have held 75 rooms and expect to ask for more as more surveys come in. So, please send one in if you are attending. The survey tells me that so far 50 OMs will be joining us.

Now is the time to think about making your room reservation with the Queen Mary (QM). You must do that yourself by writing to Hotel Queen Mary, 1126 Queens Way, Long Beach, CA 90802-6390. Or you can call (800) 437-2934, or (562) 432-6964. Tell them you are with the YLRL convention, and the dates. The room rates are \$79 for an insideroom, \$89 for a land view room, and \$104 for an ocean view. Remember these rates do not include a 12% room tax. You may also add a rollaway bed in the room for \$15 per night, if you want three to a room. I do want to remind you the rooms are smaller on the ship. Handicapped rooms are available. If there is a need please indicate at the time of your registration.

If you are coming by car, parking for hotel guests is \$5.00 per day, and \$7.00 for RV parking. I am told the QM does not want you to stay in your RV, but again, I think it's more a 'don't ask, don't tell' policy. As long as you're not too obvious you can probably get away with it. But it's up to you if you want to take a chance. There is an RV park not too far away—Shoreline Village RV Park. Call (800) 668-3581 or (562) 435-4646. It's not cheap—\$32 per day for Sunday through Thursday, and \$35 per day for Friday and Saturday.

I plan on having the registration form in the January/February *Harmonics*. We are planning on charging \$15 (includes pin) for YLs and \$10 for OMs (no pin) for registration. The YL Luncheon will be \$22, Saturday's banquet will be \$35 and Sunday's breakfast will be \$15. Other meals during your stay will be on your own. We plan to go off-site for no-host dinners on Thursday and Friday evenings. Plans are in the works for a trip to Universal Studios on Friday if we can get the 47 required for the bus. On Sunday you will be able to take the water taxi to the new state of the art aquarium. The Queen Mary also has a fabulous Sunday Brunch. There is a free runabout bus that can take you to shopping areas and other restaurants.

A fun thing for the OMs while the YLs are visiting or getting ready for their Saturday luncheon, will be to go to the TRW Swapmeet. The cost will probably be the price of the bus trip—about \$10. This is a very large Amateur Radio swap meet that all the local hams attend. After lunch on their own,

they can tour the Russian submarine that is parked next to the QM, about \$10. I know some of you ladies might like this also, but we had to have something to keep the guys occupied. As time permits, you can certainly take the tour also. Also W6RO will be open the entire time you are on the ship, for both YLs and OMs. Just be sure you bring a copy of your license if you want to operate.

In closing, if you haven't sent your survey, do so. Also, now's the time to make your reservations on the Queen Mary. Come on, "Catch the Spirit!"



I wanted to report on LARA's efforts to put out the word on the YLRL Convention during the ARRL Southwestern Division Convention in Sandiego, which we attended in August. The committee was most gracious to us, giving us a quarter page ad in their program and a table right outside the exhibit hall to display and give out all our materials on local YL clubs, YLRL, and the upcoming convention in 1999. We handed out many applications for YLRL and gave many a YL an introduction to the organization. I certainly feel that we picked up some new YLRL members from this effort. Manning the booth during the three days were LARA members Edna Toll KC6TXB, Jeri Haines KB6USX, Ann Anton KE6OIO, Liz Willett N6FBT, Marjorie Dalphy KA6QWZ, Ruth Nelson KF6MRO, Vi Barrett W6CBA and Martha Barron KA6TYO.

I don't know how many members have seen the wall hanging of the "Girl on the World". Sani Heyn WA6WZN gave it to me to display at San Diego and also at our YLRL Convention. I was curious about its history. It turns out that Harryette Barker W6QGX made it. She says "The Girl on the World" logo was designed by Viola W2JZX for a YL contest in 1954 and has been used on the cover of YLH ever since. Harryette enlarged the logo on a grid and made a hooked rug to give as a prize for the 1964 YLRL Convention which was held at the Edgewater Hyatt House in Long Beach. Ruth WA6ERS won the rug and later gave it to Sandi.



Martha-KA6TYO in front of wall hanging.



need fl Roomie??

As of this writing, two YLs have already paired up. But we still have others that need a roomie. One of them is:

Florence Reitzel, KU7F

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If you need a roommate, send your name and information to the editor for publication, or give Flo a call!

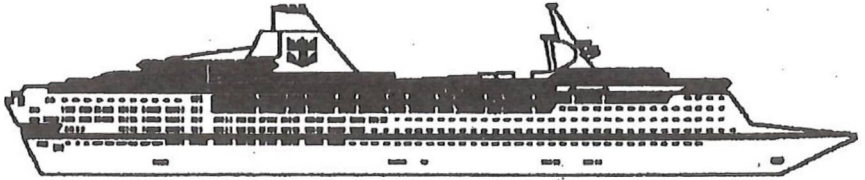
Did You Know??

The Queen Mary's First Class Dining Room was the largest public room ever built aboard a ship. It could easily accommodate the Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Maria!



Many YLs have requested side trips for after the convention. The following page has two cruises that have been put together by the travel agent that has been assisting in our convention plans. *Please note the deadline!*

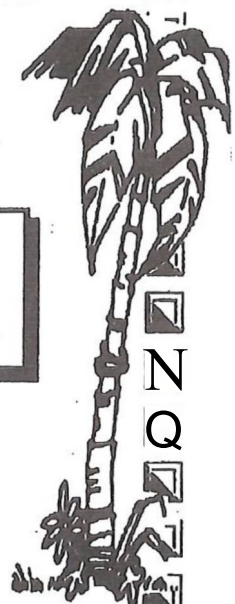




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If interested, respond by January 31, 1999

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Juniors Take On A Challenge

Cheryl Muhr, NOWBV



L to r: Crystal, KCOAJF and Sara, KBOZRV.

Crystal Hart, KCOAJF, and Sarah Wisotzkey, KBOZRV, didn't just sit back and listen to the world go by—they started talking to it. Both young ladies are active members of the Boulder Amateur Radio Club Juniors (BARC Jrs.), in Boul-

der Colorado. They enjoy meeting people from all over the world

and making new friends. They also enjoy the experimental aspects of the hobby.

Crystal got started in radio over a year ago at age 11 through an after-school club. Though the club sponsor, NOZVS, has retired, Crystal wants to keep the club going. She recently upgraded her call to KNOIR. Crystal is also helping her family get licensed with the help of BARC. She encourages her friends to try out the hobby, but often feels that the YLs are a bit intimidated.

Sarah found out about Ham Radio from her father who encouraged her to try a BARC Jr. meeting. She quickly found a new hobby. Sarah got her novice ticket at ten years and made tech plus three weeks before her 11th birthday. She would love to get her friends more involved with the radio, but says the meeting times often conflict with other events. Still, she has gotten her mom interested in radio.

When asked what they think the YL role is in Ham Radio, both ladies agreed. Men like the technical aspect of the hobby, but the women love having fun.

"It's not as hard as women think," says Sarah, who likes round tables.

"Some women just need convincing that it's fun." Crystal agrees and adds that there are a lot of challenges and one of her favorites is running the net.

They do have advice for YLs interested in getting into the hobby.

"Don't be afraid to experiment," advises Crystal. "Get involved with groups and find others who like what you do."

"Try it for a bit to see if any part interest you," Sarah says. "Try new things. It's fun to find fun explanations."

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MEET YLRL'S 1998 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER



Sara Kozup, KB8RHG

Thank you very much for selecting me to receive the YLRL scholarship for 1998. I am honored to have been chosen for this scholarship. The money is a great help to my family, and me and has already been used to help pay for my first quarter tuition at Ohio University. The following is a short biographical sketch, and I have also enclosed a photo.

In 1994, with my father, K8OUA, as my Elmer, I became an Amateur Radio operator, and have since upgraded to a General Class license. My main Amateur Radio interest is CW traffic handling on 80 meters. Organizations I have been a member of

include FISTS CW Club, Warren (Ohio) Amateur Radio Association, ARRL, ARES/RACES, Buckeye Belles and YLRL.

This past June I graduated from Champion High School in Warren, Ohio, in the top ten percent of my class. While there I played varsity soccer, ran cross country, was a member of the National Honor Society, played in the school band, and was the president of Key Club, a service organization. Since graduation I have been working as a camp counselor at a local Presbyterian Church camp.

Starting this fall I will be a freshman at Ohio University in Athens, Ohio. My major is Biology and I have tentative plans for graduate school after my first four years at OU.

Once again, thank you for awarding me this scholarship. 33, Sara Kozup, KB8RHG

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Susan B. Solomon, KA2FLL continued from page 14
labrador. I have not been as active over the past years in ham radio as I was back in high school, but I still enjoy listening on the air now and then since I still have my old Drake tube radio.

Enclosed is my check buying the tickets you sent and then some. Thanks for helping to coordinate this and I wish YLRL the continued best of luck. Thanks again for the help you gave me a long time ago.

Yours truly,
Susan B. Solomon



Ethel Smith-K4LMB Memorial Scholarship



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Marte Wessel, K0EPE
TYLRUN



Quotes from a letter:

I have thought about for what I could send a donation, something meaningful and when my membership for QCWA came, it came to me, "That is it!"

Twenty five years of a hobby, that made me very happy and fulfilled and was just the right thing for me. How could I be without before?

To the friendships that have been made and those that will be made in the future, I send my thanks. Thank you to the many YLs who give their time: Irma, K6KCI and Marte, K0EPE who are faithful NCs for the nets, and all the helpers. Not to forget SAYLARC NC, Minerva, WB2JNL and Roberta, KA2AFL and others. To all our YLRL Officers, a BIG thank you. 33, Lia, WA2NFY

Lia, dear friend, you are to be thanked for all the work you do keeping up with the tons of correspondence that you receive and sharing your letters with us. Marte

The total of scholarship money we have collected is \$1810.00 We have a long way to go to reach that top star!

Please sell your tickets. For those who want to order tickets, I have plenty waiting for you! Your \$1.00 will help us reach our goal

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YLRL Scholarship Recipients



Since 1978, there have been 22 scholarships given by the YLRL, for a total of \$17,150 awarded. The first scholarship awarded was for \$300. Our scholarships are now worth \$1500!

I have written to YLRL Scholarship recipients for updates on their lives. This letter is from another of our winners, Susan Solomon, KA2FLL. Susan's scholarship was \$300!

Susan B. Solomon, KA2FLL—1982

Dear Marte:

March 23, 1998

I was very happy to see your letter asking what has happened to me since receiving my YLRL scholarship many months ago. I graduated from Uniondale High School on Long Island in 1982, so I guess it was for that year. Yours is the only organization that ever followed up with me, despite the fact that I received several scholarships, as I graduated being the class valedictorian.

Anyway, I can assure you that the money was put to very good use. I went to M.I.T. the fall of 1982 and graduated in 1985 with a BS in computer science and engineering. (You read that right! Tuition was expensive and my parents were not well off, so faster was better... and I worked part time through school, too.)

I then went to work for IBM on mainframe software in Poughkeepsie, NY and in CA over the next three years, and then applied to graduate business school and was accepted. I hence went back to school and got my MBA from U.C. Berkeley (Haas School of Business) in 1990 with concentrations in marketing and finance.

I stayed in CA (and never changed from KA2FLL, either) to work in brand management for Del Monte Foods in San Francisco from 1990 to 1994, where I was quite successful climbing up the ladder and did many interesting things running their ketchup and pickle businesses. I was lots of fun at BBQs! I then turned to the greater challenge of financial services in 1994 and went to work for Wells Fargo Bank (still in San Francisco) where I was promoted to Vice President. I left Wells Fargo in 1997 and came over to Charles Schwab as a Vice President of Product Management.

My responsibilities in the brokerage payment systems arena now tie together much of my background in marketing, technology and financial services. I'm still working in San Francisco, but moving further toward the ocean each time. I have had a terrific career to date and very much appreciate those that helped pave the road for me early on.

My husband, Mark Ferras, and I met in 1992 and were married in Hong Kong in 1993. We live happily in Alameda CA with our dog Meg, a yellow

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Certificates & Awards

YLRL CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE

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July 1, 1998-October 31, 1998

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Caroline Swann, KJ5GF..... 5	Dorothy Eastway, K9BBL..... 20
Judy Stewart, CP6AK..... 5	Wanda Hotz, W9CT.....20
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Mary Haydon, N4MMV..... 10	Judith Dill, WD0CHZ.....20
Kinda Kukuk, AA5GS..... 10	Minako Cnnolly, NAOV.....20
Edith Guyer, KF5OZ.....10	Jeanette Ellis, NP2C.....20
Anne-Marie Collins, N6QPY..... 10	Dorothy Spiiski, K8DS.....25
Anita Powers, W7DXM..... 10	Rosemary Davidson, WA8VXE.. 30
Ardyce Moore, AA7SW.....10	Akiyo Nishino, JH1GMZ..... 30
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Virginia Slack, KA4DDQ 15	Burnette Boyett, K5JGC.....40
Kathleen Goodwin, KF6GW..... 15	Judy Gerdel, K5LCQ.....40
Ellen Stinson, N7DMR.....15	Betty Brown, WA6KQC.....40
Ellen Glasscock, W7INN..... 15	Maxine Hanberry, W6SCI..... 40
D. Geneal Bailey, NK8P..... 15	Meredith Henry, W6WNE.....40
Karen Schultz, KA0CDN..... 15	Lucile Banks, WA7JPC.....40
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YLRL Convention, Long Beach CA

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Please note that I have a new e-mail address: cleob@mitec.net.

Howdy Days Results

I recieved three stateside logs and three logs from DXYLs in Germany. The claimed scores ranged from 4 to 35 points. At the time of this writing, I have not received any logs from the CW portion, which ended three weeks ago.

Mary Moore, KL7P was the YLRL member Howdy Day winner and has elected to receive the pin. Mary Pettit, K6MCP was the non-YLRL winner with seven points and will receive a one year YLRL membership.



Meet the Novices and Technicians Dav

CW&SSB: 1500 UTC, January 9,1999to 0500 UTC, January 10,1999

ELIGIBILITY: All licensed women operators throughout the world are invited to participate.

PROCEDURE: Call "CQYL."

OPERATION: Only frequencies in the HF bands that are open to Novices and Technicians may be used. Net and repeater contacts do not count. No cross band operation is allowed. A station may be worked once for credit. Maximum power output is 200 watts PEP. The modes of operation are CW and SSB.

SUGGESTED FREQUENCIES: CW-3.675-3.725; 7.120-7.150; 21.120-21; AND 28.150-28.185. SSB-28.300-28.500.

EXCHANGE: Station worked, RST, name, QTH, license class.

SCORING: 3 points for each YL Novice or Technician worked, 2 points for each YL General or Advanced, and 1 point for each YL Extra. Total score = total number of points.

AWARDS: Top scoring Novice or Technician - YLRL postcards and top scoring General or higher - YLRL postcards. Second and third place winners will receive certificates.

LOGS: All logs submitted must show the date, time, band, and station worked for each QSO. Logs must indicate the name, call sign, address, operating breaks, and the license class of the operator and must be signed by the operator. Logs must show the claimed score and be postmarked no later than 30 days after contest ends. Mail logs to YLRL Vice-President.

Mid-Winter YL Contest Rules

The Dutch YL Committee organizes this HF-contest every year in the second full weekend of January, which is January 9 and 10 in 1999. The contest time has changed as follows:

**Saturday 9 January - CW -14.00-20.00 UTC &
Sunday 10 January - SSB -08.00-14.00 UTC.**

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10-meterband (no crossband). To make your calls in SSB please use the following frequency segments: 3.600-3.650, 7.080-7.090, 14.270-14.300, 21.270-21.300, 28.470-28.500 Mhz. This is useful so you will meet other contest stations sooner instead of scanning the entire contest segment for YLs. Only single stations and single operators can participate in this contest. There are five categories in which you can participate: YL SSB, YL CW, OM SSB, OM CW, SWL.

Procedure: In SSB YLs call 'CQ Mid-Winter Contest', and OMs call 'CQ YLs'. In CW please use 'CQ OMS' or 'CQ YLS', to avoid any mix-ups with OM and YL countries.

Exchange: Call, RS(T) and sequence number. OMs start with 001 and YLs start with 2001. Both SSB and CW parts should start with 001/2001.

Points: Every QSO with a YL=5 points; every QSO with an OM=3 points. A station can be worked once on every band. For example: PA3YLC may be worked on Saturday in CW on 80, 40 and 20 meter band and on Sunday in SSB on 80, 20, 15 and 10 meter band. For the CW part this will count for $3 \times 5 = 15$ QSO points and for the SSB part $4 \times 5 = 20$ QSO points.

Multiplier: Every worked DXCC country counts as multiplier (that is the total number of countries on all bands for CW or SSB, not per band). For example: If you work I, DL and F on 20 meter band and DL, OH and G on 15 meter band, that would make 5 multipliers (not six).

Total score: Points of all bands together times multipliers.

SWL's: Every heard YL counts for 5 points, multipliers as above. The log should also contain the QSO partner.

Log: For CW and SSB separate logs and separate points! The log should also contain: time, band, date and YL or OM.

Logs that are not filled in correctly, are unclear or unreadable can be ignored by the manager and will be disqualified. In every category, places 1,2 and 3 will be rewarded with a certificate.

**Logs should be sent before the end of February
(date postmark) to the following address:
PA3GQG - Contestmanager Midwintercontest
PO Box 2040
6460 CA Kerkrade
The Netherlands**

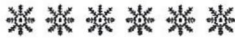
Amateur Wedding Bells



Linda Davis, KBOPHS married Ginton Greives, WYOC on July 11, 1998 in a private airplane hanger in Valley Center KS, just north of Wichita. Congratulations!! (Photo submitted by Sherry Weir, KBOSQQ)



among god's Best gifts to us
are the people who Love us.



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Crystal and Sarah both agree their age group has a big impact on Ham Radio, provided they get involved. According to Crystal, "Kids, once started, run with it."

At Field Day there are two entries from the BARCs, the adults and the Jrs. The BARC Jrs. set up and run their own Field Day site at a separate location from their elders and elmers. They use a committee and everyone pitches in to help. 1998 was Sarah's third year on the Field Day committee and Crystal's first. It is one of their favorite Ham events.

Crystal has also participated in Youth in Amateur Radio and spoken on panels both locally and at the Dayton Hamvention. Another favorite area of interest for both Hams is Foxhunting and they participate regularly in local Foxhunt events.

Sarah and Crystal both have had to overcome technical problems while running the net, but nothing has stopped their interest in Ham Radio. They agree the hobby is going to keep expanding. Equipment will be even better, smaller and cheaper. More options and modes will occur in the future. Everything will get even more accessible.

Crystal and Sarah have become a big part of the BARC Jrs. and want to encourage and teach other YLs about Amateur Radio. They are bright, fun young ladies and I am pleased that they let me get to know them better. Look for them on the bands. They would love to hear from you!



After a summer break, here we are back in the swing of fall activities. I'll start with news about "Boxboro", the ARRL District 1 Convention. This year it was held on the last weekend of August, rather than in October. Hams from all over the Northeast, not just New England, attended. YLRL and WRONE shared an information table in the highly traveled lobby of the seminar rooms. Information about both organizations, as well as Girl Scouts in Amateur Radio, was shared with everyone who stopped. Since the Convention ID tickets do not have pins, we did a terrific "business" with our tape and pin tabs designed by Arline-W1LIO. It was a great way to attract people to the table and promote "service" as one aspect of Amateur Radio. Additionally, on Saturday afternoon, we had a hospitality room for visits with all YLs who could drop by for conversation and refreshments. Over 70 licensed YLs signed our weekend guest book.

Ann - W1 AS will be leaving for V6 - Micronesia with K1XM and KQ1F on November 19. They will operate from Kosrae, Ponape, and Truk. They plan to operate in the CQWW CW contest. If you missed the news in the September 98 "CQ" (p. 11), Ann is the first YL in history to win a CQWW contest! She took First Place in the USA Single Op All Band Low Power category. This is the category with the most entrants and after the log checkers had finished, Ann was the only one to stay over the one million-point (1,017,978) mark. Congratulations from all of us, Ann!

Deb - NN1C will finally have a complete ham shack in her home before snow flies. This has been her dream since getting her license nearly ten years ago. She is looking forward to closing the door of her office and operating in the comfort of her own home. "What luxury! I am blissful! The best things are worth waiting for."

Stella - KC1 MX operated on Field Day and had a great time. She made over 400 contacts on 15 m, operating with the Port City Club in NH. She fills some of her time making quilts for Christmas gifts.

Jean - K1TVT e-mailed in early September from Bakersfield, California! Her trip started in Maine in July and had been through Quebec, MI, IN, IL, WY, MT, ID, OR, and CA. I'm not sure where she is now, but she will spend the winter in FL and then go back to ME next summer. I dare say that she went through a few other states that she didn't mention! It sounds like she is having a wonderful time.

Barb - WB1EHS and OM - Jack have sold their summer place on Swans Island, Maine after over 30 years of vacations there. They loved it and have many wonderful memories of their summers there.

Some news from my QTH: Our son Robert is a freshman Architecture major at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY. He came home for the

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Hello ladies, from beautiful Medford Lakes, in the heart of southern New Jersey where the weather is and has been just perfect, with cool nights and warm days. The fall colors are just gorgeous, and as I sit here looking out of the window, the lake is like a mirror. But those leaves are beginning to fall, and we all know what that means—winter is standing in the wings just waiting to surprise us one and all. Oh well. As they say, that's what makes life interesting—all those unknown events yet to come.

Speaking of events, we do have quite a few this time as the e-mail has been great!

Carli-NI CD wrote that the SAYLARC members are now trying "cell" meetings in hope of getting more members active in the group. They have (3) cells, one in Albany, one in NYC/LI, and one in NJ. This means you 2-Land gals won't have much of an excuse for not attending one of the cells. The Albany cell met Saturday, October 17th and they are going to get busy working on a project for a door prize for the YLRL Convention. More details on this will be forthcoming in CHIRP.

Carli and Wand-N2JBK both wrote about a "really big" project to be undertaken by the SAYLARC gals, and one that they are inviting all YLRL members and/or friends of YLRL to be involved in. This project is a "Bakeless" Bake Sale for the benefit of the YLRL Scholarship Fund. Briefly this is the way it works: Lets say I'm making chocolate chip cookies. I figure out exactly the cost of the ingredients, say \$1.50. Instead of making the cookies I send the \$1.50 along with the recipe to SAYLARC. After gathering all the recipes (and money) a cookbook will be made. The recipe money will go towards the cost of the printing, and the book will then be sold, with all the money going to the Scholarship Fund. So ladies get busy sending those recipes and donations to: Audrey Foody-N2QJZ, Box 36 Stephentown, NY 12168. Make the check payable to Wanda Traver.

More news: Saturday, October 17, I was able to get into the SAYLARC net at 9:00am on 3950 and talk to Roberta-KA2KFL, Minersa-WB2JNL, Vera-WA1JYO, and Lia-WA2NFY. These gals are all well and keeping busy doing all those things we do in the fall. While talking, Vera had a land-line and heard that her sister-in-law had died. Vera said she had been quite ill. We were sorry to hear the sad news and passed on our condolences to Vera.

Speaking of sad news, I heard that Bertha-W3TNP was in the hospital, so I contacted Jane-K3ZDN, who told me that Bert was a Silent-Key. That was quite a shock, to say the least. Bert was very active in PJYL and YLRL and she at one time wrote the 3rd District Column for *Harmonics*. Bert, along with other gals from the PJYL group (which is no longer active) attended our

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Barbara Bender, KA3VXR



Hello, again, 3rd District YLs. These articles have deadlines no matter where you find yourself on life's path. I'm finishing this up as I sit here in the Critical Care waiting room waiting for my mother-in-law to come out of triple by-pass heart surgery. Of course, by the time you read this she will, hopefully, be well on the way to recovery. She is a feisty, 86-year-young dynamo and we look for her to bounce back in record time to resume her duties as matriarch of our large, spread out, all overthe country family.

I haven't heard from any District 3 YLs this time except Kay Craigie WT3P and I thank her for her news even though it is a little outdated because there were no articles in the September issue because of the Directory. Anyway, here is what she reported:

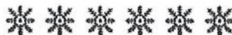
"I learned that Bertha Kenas W3TNP became a Silent Key. I believe Bert may have been the YLRL District Chair for the 3^d call area at one time. She will be missed. Her OM Ernie W3KKN has not been in good health recently...I don't think anybody saw this coming for Bert, however."

"My OM Carter N3AO and I enjoyed a week in Costa Rica in August, looking all the birds and butterflies and giant sea turtles and other wild animals. Very different from Pennsylvania! I was pleased that some of my Spanish was still in working order after all these years. Driving through the outskirts of San Jose, the capital of Costa Rica, we saw quite a number of ham radio antennas ... nice big HF beams."

Condolences to the family of Bertha Kenas W3TNP from District 3-land.

Seven weeks till Christmas! WHERE has 1998 gone? WHAT have we all done with the days allotted each of us this past year? Good things, I hope!

Those of you 3-Land YLs who have E-mail addresses in the directory issue will be getting a note from me and I hope you will have some news for the January issue. We'd all love to knowwhat is happening in every part of 3-Land. Happy Holidays to each of you and Happy Hamming!! 33 de Barb KA3VXR



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first time over the Columbus Day weekend. He is enjoying his classes and has made some friends and seems to be doing quite well. Some of you may remember him from the Convention in Hawaii back in 1989. It's too bad that ham radio never became one of his hobbies, since there is an active ham club at the school!

I hope that everyone has a blessed holiday season. Please send me news for the next issue anytime, by any means! All the numbers and addresses in the Directory are OK. 33, Anne WB1ARU



Hello to each and every one. I hope you are having a wonderful day as you are sitting back in your easy-chair, your tootsies propped up, a cup of tea and a plateful of delectable cookies by your side as you're reading this issue of *YLH*. Now, isn't that a great way to read up on what everyone is up to?

Here at our home, the fall season has arrived and, believe me, I have thoroughly enjoyed it. The crisp cool mornings are glorious! Since we get up at 4:30 a.m. every morning (except weekends!), the sky is still in pre-dawn slumber, and the stars shine brilliantly. I can close my eyes and breathe deeply. The scent of Fall brings a smile to my face as does seeing my breath against the cool Fall morning air. And you know, this cool Fall air will bring the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays—a special time of year to spend with family and friends. Can't you just smell the mouth-watering aroma of roasting turkeys, pumpkin pies, and homemade yeast rolls? What a delicious time of year! From our family to yours, we wish you a most Happy Holiday season!

I'd like to take a moment and say a hello to all of our new YLRL members in District 4. It is a pleasure to have each of you with us. YLRL has many, many fine YLs. As your District 4 Chairwoman, I would like you to drop me a note to visit a bit and tell me about yourself. I also need your birthday (month and date), as I send out birthday greetings to our District 4 YLs. My email is n4zno@bbs.w4lee.ampr.org.

One of our new YLRL members lives just down the road from me. Her name is Kathy Kirby KG4AAM. Kathy just recently got her license, and I am just tickled to pieces to have her join. Glad to have you with us Kathy!!!!

Over the past few months I have heard from Christine N4XDA in Ocala, Florida, Mary K5MPI in Springdale, Arkansas, and Arlie W4HLFin Orange, Virginia. It was so good to hear all of you! I could hardly wait to read your letters. As I've said before, I do so much enjoy hearing from all of you out there! Do take a moment and send me a little note. My mailbox and I will be wearing the biggest grins if there's a WHOLE BIG MAILBOX FULL of letters from ya'!!!!

Also, Happy Birthday to all our YLs with Birthdays in November and December. Hope yourspecial day is as special as you are! Only a few of my Birthday greetings sent via NTS have come back undeliverable. Well, my friends, that's it from here for now. May your Holidays be Blessed! Till next issue, 33 from your District 4 Chairwoman N4ZNO

Happy New Year!!!

Doris Anderson, K5BNQ



The crisp temperature and the beautiful colored leaves herald the end of summer and the increased tempo of fall activities. It's hard to knuckle down to mundane affairs after overtwo months in Alaska and Canada. The scenery and all the exciting activities defy description. The OM W5IWL and I and our lab Taffy traveled 11,000 miles. The Alaska Marine Highway (the ferry system) was great.

We got back in time for the Texas YL Net Birthday Party Sept. 29 and 30 at the Cowtown RV Park in Fort Worth. Our hostess was WA5GLM, Ann, who was ably assisted by her OM Bob, WA5JPA, their son Allen, KB5AB, and daughter-in-law Donna, N5WYI. YLs attending were: Linda, AC5QQ; Jan , K5EGB; Lyn, W5RYX; Alma, AB5BA; Ozora, W5VIY; Doris, K5BNQ; and our favorite short-wave listener Irene Moore.



Texas YL Round-Up Net Party. L to R, in front: Ann-WA5GLM; Ozora-W5VIY; Jan, K5EGB. Rear: Alma-AB5BA; Irene Moore; Linda-AC5QQ; Lyn-W5RYX; Doris-K5BNQ

Officers elected for 1999 are: President-WA5GLM; Vice President-W5MWK; and Secretary/Treasurer-AB5BA.

Zenda, KD5MD and her OM Jim, NX5B joined 30,000 reenactors in July in fighting again the Battle of Gettysburg. It was so authentic and awe inspiring, which, along with the history lessons learned, made it well worth the long miles they traveled to participate. Reenacting has to be authentic, and Zenda and Jim are looking for photos of 1860s equipment-telegraphs, etc. that can be copied. Can anyone help them out?

Seems this was the year for everyone to head to Alaska. Anita, WA5JMC; Pump, WA5CYI; Shirley, KC5RVH; and Joe, N5BCI enjoyed a cruise to Alaska in Sept. Alverta, K5MIZ, and OM Fred, K5MJA went with a tour group from their church to Juneau, Skagway, Whitehorse and Dawson City, and then to Fairbanks, Denali and Anchorage .Everyone enjoyed escaping that horrendous heat experienced in Texas this year.

But the trip to make all of our mouths water was the one taken by Burnette, K5JGC and OM T.P., K5EYN. They enjoyed four pre-cruise days in London

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Hi! to everyone from District Six. I've not heard from anyone except LARA and YLRC of LA so that's what I have to pass on to you.

In October, April Moell, WA6OPS and her OM honored LARA with their presentation on emergency response through amateur radio. Certainly important to all of us, we really appreciated and absorbed all of the information passed on to us. Some of the things we should remember:

- If not registered as disaster service workers you must stay off the air on allotted frequencies.
- Be prepared to stay in touch.
- Have two or three places within walking distance to go to where your family can find you.
- Choose a relative who lives 100 or more miles away who can be contacted by all family members.
- Carry emergency information card with phone numbers, health and medication information.
- Carry maps in your car.

0 Keep radio batteries charged.

Ⓢ When transmitting on the radio be brief, speak slowly, listen, know your location, know your radio, howto change frequencies and howto add a PL.

0 Keep a "cheat sheet" for emergency information.

» Have a plan that you share with friends, relatives and amateur radio contacts.

Bobbie Raymond, KA6JDO, announced that a Collins Radio has been donated to the Seal Beach Leisure World Radio Club in memory of Jannette DeLong, KD6GA. The radio was Jannette's prior to her becoming a silent key in December, 1997. She was a member of YLRL, LARA and YLRC of LA.

Our past president, Marty Brutcher, W7AYL spent three months in England this summer. Sounds like a wonderful time filled with fantastic memories. In addition to England, she spent a few days in Belgium and one in Holland. During her stay in Belgium she activated Belgium Young Ladies Club Station Land, talking several hours. What a great experience! Surely a trip most of us only dream about.

Martha Barron, KA6TYO, has been busy all summer making plans for our 1999 convention. She's either on the computer or attending events, constantly coming up with new ideas to make our 60th year most memorable.

Well, we're back in the holiday season, making plans, shopping, etc. I can't speak for others but my calendar is filling up rapidly. As I plan to retire

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Greetings to all of you from Olympia in the Evergreen State. I hope you everyone had a wonderful summer and fall.

One of the highlights for me was being a guest at the Two Rivers YL Net potluck luncheon on October 17 at the home of Barbara KC7KVT in Vancouver, WA. The food and the fellowship were wonderful. Marti W7AYL showed us her pictures and shared interesting bits from her fabulous 13 weeks in England (and Belgium) and several others shared holiday adventures. Others who attended were Barbara KC7KQI, Donna K6DNG, Sheryl KD7CFH, Arlene KC7WGT, Jerri WB7OXK and Shawna NL7NI.

The Cactus Keys have been active. They had a table at the Ft. Tuthill Hamfest July 24 - 26 at the Coconino Fair Grounds. Several of the members took turns at the table and Myrna Cross KN7M gave a presentation on the Y.L.R.L at the Ladies Program, July 25. The October meeting was held at the Mountainview Restaurant in Tucson with 11 YLs and 7 OMs attending. (Six attendees were from the Phoenix and the rest from Tucson). Officers for the coming year were nominated. Phyllis W2GLB reports that the next meeting will be in connection with the Superstition Swapmeet at MCC on December 5. All visiting YLs (with their OMs) are welcome to attend - check the YLRL booth for time and place. A new feature of the Cactus Keys bi-monthly bulletin KEYNOTES is "Meet our OMs" - short bios of the husbands so they can get to know them better.

The MINOWs have been gathering recipes for a cookbook for over a year. It was finally completed in July and Ruth KI 11F, her OM Jack KI PRT, my OM Bob AA7YD and myself had a collating party. The cookbook is dedicated to the 27 charter members that began the MINOW Net in 1963. Seven are still members and were sent complimentary copies. Mary Lou NM7N is busy preparing for a DXpedition to Lord Howe Island in mid-November. I hope some of you are able to work her.

Check-ins to the two meter Evergreen Intertie YL net have been down recently due some problems caused by the removal of the repeater to a new site. But reception is improving and all YLs living in northwest Washington between Olympia and the Canadian border are urged to join us every Monday evening at 8 PM on 145.33.

Guess this is all for this time. Be sure to let me know what's happening in your life - upgrades, awards, and other news. I'll look forward to hearing from you. Best wishes for a wonderful Holiday Season.

33, Sara

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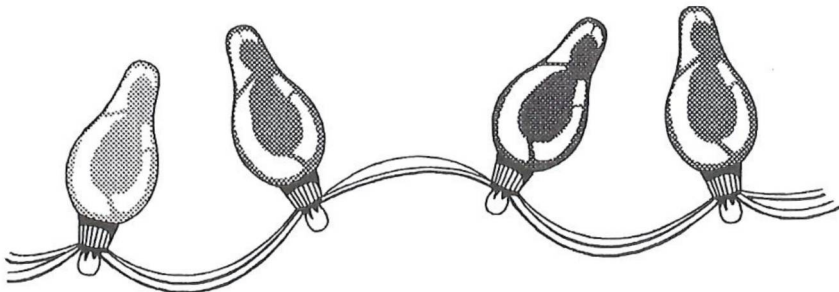
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The 1998 YLRL Directory arrived and I am proud and perplexed! Where are some of the long-time devotees? There were only 4 West Virginia gals, 17 Michigan gals, 12 portable in other districts, 1 Illinois and 61 Ohio gals. Welcome to all and prepare for a fine Career in Amateur Radio. We can promise lots of good times if you join us and participate.

Nancy, KC4IYD/8, our Prez, has asked the members to participate in the "Bring-in-a-new-member" campaign and I add "keep the previous

girls." Yes, Amateur Radio has changed - call it progress - since many of us took the tests. Side band was the innovation of my day. Our Wednesday morning net was a combination of am & side band. We had various problems and discussions operationally. The net control in Michigan never heard the WRONEs of New England - we used the twisted pair to solve that - today it would be called snail mail—partly because of the difficulty of "getting on frequency and partly because of skip. There still is much of the same problems but we have better technology. Today we are using wide area two meters to communicate with those distant but still have skip to content with. But "Ham Radio" will always be the basic purpose of our organization and present a challenge to the young women of this interest. I admit there are times when I think it is 'computereeze' I am operating. And it will continue to challenge all of us. But it's lots of fun and activity for the brain...if you doubt it, ask K8ITF, WA8RZN, K0EPE, KT6KCI, W4GXZ, KIIF, WA4AUR, K5MIX, W5RZJ, W6QGX... I could fill this issue with girls who have been big supporters of YLRL and loved it. Tell all and get in the swing! 33-76-88, K8MZT, Shirley

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Where, oh where, has the summer gone? We are now into November and it certainly looks like winter around here. Before we know it, it will be Christmas. I don't even want to think about it yet. We are surviving our puppy. It has been trying at times, but we love her in spite of everything. Unfortunately, we had to resort to an electric shock collar to keep her from jumping (like onto the dining room table). I hate using it, but it has worked. We have had it almost two months and she has only been zapped about 6 times. It has made her a new puppy.

I received some nice letters and e-mails since our last issue. This column will be easy to write. Thank you ladies.

First, I heard from Mariann, AA9TB. She wrote that after a year and a half her mother's estate is finally settled. She said that it was a grueling time for her, but thanks to support from a lot of people, she survived. She said that she also received her Worked All Continents award. She was licensed in December, 1994. A good portion of her contacts were in CW. Way to go girl!!!!

I also received a nice letter from Dot, N9ALC. Unfortunately, hers came the day after I sent my last column. That's O.K., her news is coming now. They were going to Wisconsin in July to do some fishing. In August she and her O.M. celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary! They were going to have a family celebration. Congratulations! That is quite a milestone. She also said that they would be attending the W9DXCC convention in September. Their radio club had a special Event week in October and she was in charge of it. Their club was celebrating their 65th anniversary.

Then I got an e-mail from Anna, K9RXK. She went to the Bedford hamfest with Adah, W9RTH. While there she visited with Peggy, W9JUU and Fran, K9ILK and Blanche. She did some traveling north this summer, to Toronto and then boarded a train and traveled across Canada to Jasper and toured the Canadian Rockies by bus, took the Rocky Mountaineer train from Banff to Vancouver, ferry to Victoria then flew home. What a trip! Then two weeks later, she went to Fargo, ND to visit her son, W9SIO and family. They drove across Minnesota to Grand Marais on Lake Superior and spent several days there. Adah, W9RTH, was having some trouble with her eyes, so I hope that they are much better by now. They all still meet on 3910 for the HAWKS net each Saturday morning.

Thank you again ladies for making this column so easy to do. I hope that everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving and a safe and happy holiday season. Keep in touch. 33, Carole, WB9RUS





Hi there Ladies!

Haven't heard much from District 10 this round, but I know that is because you have all been so busy on the radio. As winter moves closer, this is a great time to snuggle in with a nice warm radio.

The OM and I just got back from Midway Island, where they treat hams with wonderful kindness. The bands were open and we had a blast. John operated as KH4/KT0F and I was KH4/NOWBV. Though not the first female ham on the island, I had the privilege of being the first female guest to operate as a ham since the island was turned over to the US Fish and Wildlife services in 1996. Formerly the island had been used for military purposes and was of course a major turning point in our World War II history. If you ever get the chance to go there—don't miss it. And definitely ask about operating.

If you missed us there, you never know, we do hope to go back some time in the next ten years. Propagation to the States wasn't always the best, but we did get to work some areas. I didn't hear a lot of YLs though, so I'll look for you next time.

We are also planning another DXpedition for you to keep on the calendar. We will be operating from Turks and Caicos at the end of December. Jody Milspaugh, VP5JM is helping us with the arrangements and we are really looking forward to the trip. The calls will probably be VP5/KT0F and VP5/NOWBV, so keep an ear out. Just listen for a VPS YL between December 30 and January 5 and it will probably be me!

Well, I am writing this from 7-Land where my sister is about to get married, so I'd better head for the rehearsal. Don't forget to keep in touch. My phone number has changed and our new number is not yet hooked up, but I will update you in the next issue. Have fun on the bands. 33 and 73, Cheryl

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Editor's Note

This issue has been one of the toughest issues for me. I received submissions from three members two to three weeks late, which made it impossible for me to meet my deadline. In addition, I actually had to cut (!) more than just a few words or paragraphs—it was three articles and membership updates, for a total of 5/4 pages! That especially was very difficult. Those articles will be printed, but I want to send my apologies to those that wrote them—you haven't been forgotten!

I've been lucky as Editor and have been blessed with an abundance of material for YL-/. So, don't stop—keep those articles coming! You inspire, inform, and entertain all of us! (*Cheryl wasn't one of the late ones!*©)



Greetings from Alaska!

Summer was a bit strange here, as it seemed to be all over the world. A warm May and June followed by a wet July and August. But winter is on the way now, with snow starting north and also on the mountain tops on our island. We still have plenty of rain and wind here in the panhandle as storm systems are marching across the Gulf of Alaska several times a week.

News from Cheri, WL7MA, states the lake is starting to freeze over and snow is expected soon. Her older daughter is back at the University of Idaho, while the younger one is in high school and involved in volleyball and school activities. Cheri is going to New Zealand the middle of November for a quick visit. She hopes to talk to many of the WARO gals. Have a safe trip, Cheri.

In talking with Geri, KL7ALZ, I find she is busy doing the book work for two bowling leagues, one men's and the other mixed.

Hazel, AL7OT, went back to the Congo in Africa in October. She plans to return to Alaska in the spring.

Barbara, NL7OK, reports that in a wind storm the last of October, a tree blew down and tangled the guy lines of their antenna system, so her OM was busy getting all that straightened out. It did dent the greenhouse it fell on, but no major damage was done to it. She has e-mail, so I may be able to keep in touch with her.

Lillian, NL7DL, was appointed Section Emergency Coordinator for ARES for the State. They have formed an ARES planning committee, and Susan Woods, NL7NN is her District Emergency Coordinator for the Anchorage bowl area. She is currently helping teach code, along with her OM KL7YF, who teaches theory. There are several YLs in the class so they will get info about YLRL. They had a good trip to Seward to administer commercial license tests, and took the two scotties with them. In process of returning, the pups got into a zippered bag, and got the zip lock bags opened and ate their lunch sandwiches... Both were 'doggie non grata' for a bit.

September 18-20, the 27th annual Alaska Ham-Fest and State ARRL Convention was held in Anchorage. I sorry to have missed Mary Lou, NM7M. Gordon West, WB6NOA, was the main speaker. A barbecue started things off Thursday night, followed by a swap meet, license tests on Saturday and Sunday, demos of new equipment by factory reps and a Ham Radio Outlet representative, WOMF, Janet Margelli, manager from Anaheim. The PARKA gals provided lunch on Saturday and Sunday. Gordon showed mobile mountings, rigs and antennas, and more about antenna tuners. The banquet was held at the Regal Alaskan Hotel. Sunday was a continuation of all demos, talks, and just plain ham fun. From all reports, it went over well. I

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There will be news of our sisters to the north in the next issue of *YLH*.

Directory Corrections

AE4HD Shelley Pendleton, 1929 Ewing Ave, Charlotte NC 28203

HB9YL Anny Jenk; Her sponsor is WA2NFY.

IT9KXI Santina Lanza; Her sponsor is W06X.

JA8DYM Kazuko Nukaya; Correct sponsor's call is KP3YL/W6.

JH1GMZ Akiyo Nishino; Correct sponsor is KA3CEO.

KA5DWR Dorothy Jones; E-mail: ka5dwr@tapr.org

KA9BOI Jeannine Zellmer; E-mail: ikzellmer@aol.com; Jeannine should be listed in District 9. She is currently listed under District 8.

KB2NLL Gail Bloom; correct call sign

OZ1FRR Annalise Nielsen; Correct sponsor's call is KP3YL/W6.

W6QGX Harryette Barker, PO Box 485, Mountainburg AR 72946



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SAYLARC meetings when they were held here in South Jersey. All her friends will miss Bert. Seems like a good reminder to stop putting off those little get-togethers with friends, or writing a note to say "Hello". Time passes so quickly, leaving so many things undone and words unsaid. Take time to enjoy and give a few hugs, and remember to say those precious words "I Love You".

Well, Glenn and I are off to enjoy time in Myrtle Beach with Rooster friends and among them will be Marge-WB3JUT and OM Gerry. Marge is not quite 100%, but after being back in the hospital for heart surgery she is doing good. We are ooking forward to being with them.

Anna-NT8Y and OM Floyd-W8JB won't make it. Anna is just not up to par at this time, but despite having another stroke she isn't letting that get her down and she is keeping busy. Good going Anna!

Golly, this has been a long one, so thank you one and all for the news, and until next time, remember: It is nice to be important, but it is more important to be nice. Bye Now- 33/76 Myrtle-N2AKC, akcehm@juno.com



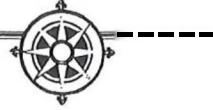
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wish I could have been there. Now I know it is an annual affair and will put it on the calendar.

My e-mail through the ham rig is working great. It's straight text, but I have been able to get in touch with Win, ZL1BBN, Biny, ZL1AZY and Nobuko, JR6XIX. What fun!

Thank you gals for the news. Happy Holidays to All! 33, Betty KL7FJW

DX YL News



Christina Ronshausen-Terrell, N5YCH

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all YLRL members, especially the DX YL sponsors and adoptees, for your support and understanding during my first year as DX Chairperson and Receiving Treasurer. I took over this position from a YLRL member whose family situation necessitated her stepping down as DX Chairperson.

Usually, when there is a new slate assuming YLRL offices, the "newbies" have the previous person in the position to provide support, answer questions, etc. Unfortunately, because I was taking over the position in mid-cycle, I did not have this support system. I attempted, probably to the disadvantage of our DXYL members, to learn how to do this position on my own, sort of on a "learn-as-I-went" basis. I did not want to bombard the other officers with all of my questions, as I believed that their lives were just as hectic, if not more so, than my own. To compound my transition into the DX Chairperson position, this year has been complicated by many personal and family health problems and other crises, all of which have been very overwhelming.

To those to whom I may have caused frustration and more, please accept my humble apologies.

I have done some real soul-searching to decide if it is in the best interest of YLRL and all of its members for me to continue in this position. After discussions with Nancy, our YLRL president, I have decided to continue as DX Chairperson next year. I have decided that as a result of all that I have learned this year, albeit perhaps learned the hard way, that I will be able to do a better job next year.

Again, thanks to all for your support and understanding. 33, Christina, N5YCH

— Now, on to the news!! —

Hello to all from a VERY HOT Texas. We had an unusually hot June and July this year with temperatures in the 100's for days in a row. This is the first time, I believe, that 100+ degree weather has been reported in Texas in September! I hope your summer has been much more comfortable than here.

I have received the following letters from our DX-YL members. I've included quotes from their letters so that perhaps you will feel like you have received the letters yourself.

Nozomi Gohara, JH3SQN, of Kyoto, Japan, said that she attended the 41st annual meeting of the JLRS in Osaka on July 25th and 26th. Over 100 YL's and 50 OM's attended the YL-OM banquet on Saturday evening. She said that she had a "really pleasant time with many wonderful eye ball QSO's, dancing (Japanese traditional line dance) and bingo." At the YL forum on

Sunday, the meeting attendees discussed "activities on the air, getting new members, publishing of the JLRS, etc."

Nozomi said that she and her OM, Ken, were planning on attending the YL World Meeting in Svalbard in August. She also resorts that she and her OM have a new homepage on the World Wide Web (the internet), named the "Homepage of Nozomi and Ken" and is in English as well as Japanese. She welcomes everyone to "visit" them on their site. The address is <http://www.amsinet.ne.jp/~gohara/>. (Leave the period off the end I) Nozomi's YLRL sponsor is Cecilia Zwack, WA2NFY.

Nobuko Uchiyama, JR6X1, (she said her "handle" is Ton), of Okinawa, Japan, wrote to me to say that she attended the Dayton Hamvention this past May in Dayton, Ohio, USA. She said she visited the YLRL booth, meeting many YLRL members including our President, Nancy, KC4IYD. She hopes to attend the YLRL meeting next year on the Queen Mary. "Ton" also reports that she has moved; so please check the new membership directory (to be distributed soon) or contact me directly for her new address. Ton's e-mail address is jsjr6xi@ii-okinawa.ne.jp.

Ton also said that she finds *YL Harmonics* "very interesting" and "wonderful." (Take a well deserved pat on the back, Margaret!!—Margaret is our *YL Harmonics* editor). Ton also attended the JLRS annual meeting. She invites everyone to plan to attend next year's JLRS meeting, which will be held July 26th and 27th in Oita, Japan. Ton's YLRL sponsor is Ruthanna Pearson, WB3CQN.

Lydia Zastrau, DF3BN, of Nordhorn, Germany, wrote me a real nice, two-page letter. She sends her greetings "from a very rainy summer in old Germany". She adds that, due to the rain, there was "no good time for holiday [vacation] or camping this year". She reports that she also has been unable to work the USA on her radio. But that has not kept her from staying in touch, via the postal system, with her YLRL sponsor Barbara Woemer, KAOGON. Lydia remains busy with packet radio, as well as radio activity on 2 meters, 70 and 80 meters and YL-OM round tables. She also writes for the amateur radio journal CQ-DL and DL-YL Info.



Pictured are (as listed by Lydia): Lydia, DF3BN; Linda, UA9MPG; Lotta, UA9MPB; Jutta, UA9MPL & Monika, UA9MPF.

She adds, "I'm sure some YL's of you have read my reports and so know a little bit [of] Omsk! Omsk is a city with 1.4 million inhabitants and besides many industries there is also the 'pediological university of Omsk' and this university has also a ham-radio-clubstation, callsign, RZ9MYL. And in this clubstation there are working besides the professor only YL-students! Maybe you have already heard or worked them."

Lydia was introduced, by Ernst, DF3DP in Dortmund, to four of these students who had "the big chance for a holiday with German 'Radio amateur families during the semester vacation'". "For a fortnight, Monika, UA9MPF, stayed with us at our house in Nordhorn and we showed her our country as well as some nice places in the Netherlands. Of course make Monika acknowledge with many radio amateurs and also students of the 'Technische Universitat Trvente' in Enschede, where we also looked at the [their] shack."

Lydia ended her letter with the following question: "Maybe there have also been some YLs from Omsk in the USA? Looking for them."

I'm sorry that I have been unable, due personal health problems, to communicate with our DX-YL members to the extent that I had hoped to when I assumed this position. I'm hoping to contact all DX-YLs and their sponsors with a personal note from me in the very near future as I have a lot of questions to ask each of them about their homelands, etc. In the interim, please keep the mail coming! I... I love hearing from each and every one of you!

Hoping you're having a great fall season and all is going well in each of your lives. 33, Christina

Well, folks, on top of everything else, I apparently have got myself going in circles!! I wrote a column for the Sept/Oct. issue of the *YL Harmonics* but I forgot that the directory went out in September. Oh well... the best laid plans of mice and men, etc., etc., etc. Here's my addendum to that column.

We had a cold spell in Texas in mid-October—it got down to 80 during the day!! Some cold spell, right? Better than the 100+ degrees we've been having since June, though. Unfortunately there have been repeated episodes of torrential rains in Texas with major flooding across large areas of the state as a result. Please pray for those folks affected by the floods.

I am pleased to introduce to our membership our new DXYL members:

Diane E. Parslow, G4XBI lives in Shrewesbury, Shropshire, England. She holds a Class A license (top license bracket). Her OM, Stephen, is also an amateur radio operator, G1DGM. Diane holds the very important position of homemaker. She works packet—her address is G4XBI@GB7PMB.#28.GBR.EU. Her e-mail address is: diane.parslow@virgin.net. Diane is sponsored by Marti Brutcher, W7AYL.

June Sim, VK4SJ, lives in Queensland, Australia and is sponsored by Carol Hall, WD8DQG. June holds an unrestricted license. Her OM, Douglas, is also a radio operator and his call is VK4BP. June is enjoying ham radio and computers during her retirement.

WELCOME ABOARD, LADIES!!

I received an e-mail from Carol Gaudin, ZL2VQ, who reports that Dawn Young, ZL2AGX, became a Silent Key on Monday, August 3, 1998. Carol also shared that Dawn had not been well since mid-June. Carol and her OM, Wayne, made a 10 hour round trip to say farewell to Dawn on Thursday, August 6th. She adds, "...it was a very sad day, but it was good to see a good number of YLs and their OMs in attendance. Carol said that she is now the NZ WARO Sponsorship Secretary. Her e-mail address is: gaudin.grp@taranaki.ac.nz.

With the holidays rapidly approaching, I want to extend to all of our YLRL members, especially to our YL sponsors and adoptees, a wish for a **very happy holiday season** and a **wonderful new year**. My hope is, now that I've gotten some idea of how to do this job, that I will do a better job next year. I want to thank all the YL sponsors and adoptees for "hanging in there" with me as I've learned this position while in the midst of an onslaught of health problems among my family members and myself this year. May 1999 be a year of good health for all of us! 33, Christina

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en route to the Scandinavia/Russian Cruise via the Royal Princess. Beautiful land excursions were made to Oslo, Norway; Copenhagen, Denmark; Stockholm, Sweden; Helsinki, Finland; St. Petersburg, Russia; Tallinn, Estonia; and Gdansk, Poland. Burnette says each day was her favorite! Wow!

Congrats to Irene, N5AYX and Hy, NC5A on the new great grandson, born Sept. 4. Irene also reports sad news—that Louis, W5IHL, became a silent key after a long battle with cancer. A memorial event is scheduled for his QTH November 7-8. Louis has been a loyal ham since tests were still given in Galveston some sixty years ago. He was known and loved by many.

Jane, WB5LM, is enjoying a new stereo Excelsior Accordion. She plays it with the Bayou Banjo Band and the Jubilee Banjo Band, both based in Houston. A talented lady!

Correct your directory. Linda Hynan has upgraded to extra class. Her new call is AC5QQ, her former one KC5KNJ. Congrats, Linda.

May all of you experience Happy Holidays. It's Halloween as I write this and Thanksgiving and Christmas are just over the hill. Those of you who have e-mail, drop me a few lines. It is so effortless—surely spoils a person for letter writing. 33, Doris e-mail andydor@juno.com

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in February, I've kind of scaled back on decorating at work while the other employees are expecting more of me. They remember what I've done in past years and look forward to seeing my office. I make some of the decorations myself. I guess you could call me a "crafty" person. At present I'm working on a project for the convention and am loving it.

Well, that's all folks. 33'a & 78's. Jeri - KB6USX
PS I'm still waiting to hear from the other YLs -1 need your input.

Directory Updates

Please add these DXYLs to your directory.

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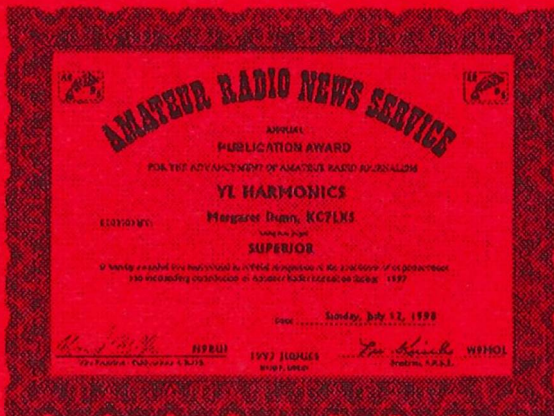
ZL3UD Margaret McConnachie, 31 Maine Street, Oxford, South Island
8001, New Zealand/KR4SJ



From The Editor's Desk AX

Margaret Dunn, KC7LXS ,

Whew! This issue has gotten somewhat out of hand! I was still receiving submissions (that absolutely had to be in this issue) as late as November 19! As a result, this issue is also late, but I did the best that I could. This issue contains important information about the goings on in YLRL, so make sure you read it, especially the Convention information, the President's Hello, and a letter from our DX RT.



I am please to be able to tell you that **YLH** has placed well in a contest sponsored by the Amateur Radio New Service (ARNS) that judges Amateur Radio club newsletters on general format, appearance, content and general interest and attractiveness. Although **YLH** did not score perfectly, it did gamer enough points to be judged 'Superior', the top rating. Hooray!!

I'd like to close this issue by wishing you all a wonderful holiday season. May it be everything you wish. Best Wishes for A Wonderful Christmas! Hope to hear you in the New Year. See you in Long Beach!



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