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If instead of a gem, or even a flower, we should cast the gift of a loving thought into the heart of a friend, that would be giving as the angels give. - George MacDonald

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The President's Letter

de Kay WA0WOF Eyman

Congratulations to Vada Gipson W6CEE who is beginning her 56th year in **YLRL**! **Vada** recently received a special certificate honoring her 55 years of continuous membership. Congratulations also go to **Ruth** Rickett **W8LGY** and **Jerrie** Stonier **K6INK** who have received certificates honoring their 50 years of continuous membership. Thanks to each of you for supporting and contributing so much to **YLRL** through the years!

Jean Chittenden **WB2BGE** has reluctantly resigned her position as Receiving Treasurer #1 after serving **YLRL** faithfully for over 17 years. Sadly, **Jeanie's** health will not permit her to continue with her duties, but she still enjoys receiving e-mails and notes from her many friends, so please let her know that we appreciate her dedication and service to **YLRL**. I am very thankful that **Karen** Hart **N1WU** has graciously accepted the position and is now receiving dues for Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Karen** is also a joy to work with and is a most welcome addition to our team of workers!

In fact, I feel very fortunate to be serving with such a great group of volunteers, who are all working hard for you! In this issue, you will find a ballot with great nominees for offices in 2004 and 2005. Each of us can show our appreciation and support by voting. All members, whether regular, family, or DX, receive a ballot so let your wishes be known! Vote!

The Board of Directors is now considering changes to items in our supplies inventory and you will see the results in the next issue of **YL** Harmonics. A new supplies page will also be added to our web site at yrl.org for your convenience. We plan to have stationery and the **YLRL** logo available for downloading from the site so you can print stationery, envelopes, postcards, and personal return address labels on your own computer. The stationery and envelopes will also be available from the Supplies Chairman, **Jan** Scheuerman **WA2YL** for those who are not on-line or would just prefer to buy them. If you have ideas about other items you would like **YLRL** to offer, please let me know.

I've been having a good time working on yrl.org, but I am obviously very much a novice! Do we have any professional web page designers in our membership who would like to step in and give it some pizzazz? Right now I'm working on pages to list **YL** nets and to show links for **YL** clubs around the world. Drop me an e-mail at wa0wof@arrl.net so I will have current information and not leave any groups out.

I'm looking forward to seeing many **YLRL** members at the Dayton Hamvention. The **YLRL** Forum will be held on Friday, May 16, at 1:45 p.m., in Room 3, so make plans now to join us. Also, remember to stop by the Buckeye Belle/**YLRL** booth and say hello to all of the **YLs** there.

I hope you'll enjoy the **YLRL** decal in this issue! Best wishes from Kansas and I hope to see you on the air soon. 33, *Kay WA0WOF*



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Betty KL7FJW also sent gift to scholarship fund to say "Thanks" to NV7YL Carol and the "group" - Phyllis KD7DKJ, Ginny KD7DXK, Dorothy N7MXA, Phyllis KD7OKI, and Merrily XYL - who have helped work on YL Harmonics. A job well done.

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New YLRL Members

de Lois WB3EFQ Gutshall

Welcome to all the new members, we look forward to a long friendship with each and every one of you!

KB6CXK Dorothy June McEachern

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Phone: 360-274-8760 e-mail: june@solidnet.com Birthday: July 20

June has been licensed since 1978 and enjoys nets for contacting friends and family. Her OM is **Glenn WB6AKX**. She is recommended by **Caroll NV7YL**

WD9FTN/7 Donna Hansen

6336 E. Decatur St., Mesa, AZ 85205

No additional information available ■

KD7QVG Laurie O. Jewell

253 Elm Street, Elko, NV 89801-2813

Phone: 775-738-6419 E-mail: kd7qvg@arrrl.net Birthday: May 20

Laurie is a general class licensee and has been licensed since 1973. She participates in a number of nets and belongs to the ECHO Club in Elko. Other hams in her family are OM **Ken K9VX**, son **Brian NV7W**, son **Adam KN7Z**, and daughter in law **Lori KD7QVF**. She is also sponsored by **Caroll NV7YL**

WA1YZV Joyce B. LaGasse

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Phone 207-865-3254 E-mail: walyzv@juno.com Birthday: January 31

Joyce was first licensed in 1973 as **WN4EFR**. She enjoys HF and public service and is looking forward to getting active again.

KD7IEP Michelle Hedgepeth

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Phone 541-756-2263 e-mail: magoo@presys.com Birthday June 21

Michelle is secretary of the Coos County Radio Club and a member of ARES/RACES in Coos County. She also enjoys genealogy. Her family consists of OM, **NB7O**, daughter, **KD7LXH**, (see below) and son in law, **George KD7NDL**. She also assists in teaching radio classes. **Michelle** works as a Paraoptometric for an Optometrist

KD7LXH Rochelle 'Shellee' Meyers

PO Box 247, Condon, OR 97823

Phone: 541-384-2165 Birthday December 29 e-mail: shellee@jncable.com

Shellee is the daughter of Michelle and was sponsored by her. She works for Farm Service Agency in Condon, Oregon and is also a long term substitute teacher. In addition to radio she enjoys reading, cross-stitch, sewing and lots of outdoors activities. She has been licensed for two years and hopes to upgrade soon.

KC8VCY Elizabeth Day

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Elizabeth works as a 911 dispatcher and is a member of the Motor City Radio Club. She received her license in 2002 and holds a General class. She is active on all bands and enjoys DX. Her partner/mentor is **John K8CBS** who encouraged her to join the hobby. **Elizabeth** also is involved with the Society for Creative Anachronism and plays numerous musical instruments.

(Ed. Note: Lookfor more info on new members in the 2003 Issue #4!)

OUTGOING RECEIVING TREASURER - Districts 1 - 4

de Jean WA2BGE

“I wish to thank everyone for their Expressions of Love, Prayers of Hope for Healing, and Thanks for my work with YLRL. I have enjoyed every YL I met, or written to, and now that I am unable to answer each contact, please, know I thank GOD for YOU! **Jean Chittenden WA2BGE**” *(and we say, 'Thank God for You, Jean! You have been, and are, such an inspiration to all of us! We do love you!')*



Jean WA2BGE Chittenden - August 2002

2003 YLRL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Call:Recent Prior Call:
Name:Country:
Address:New Address? Y / N
City:State/ProvinceZip:
Phone Number: FAX Number:
Packet Address: e-mail Address:
License Class:Year first licensed: **ARRL** Member? Y/N
Year joined **YLRL**: List **YLRL** Affiliated Clubs You Belong to:

What ham activities do you enjoy and/or participate in? Include nets, modes, contests, clubs, etc.:

DOB:Anniversary:**OM** Call:
Children-Names, Ages, Calls:

Other Hams in Family:

Occupation:

Other activities, crafts, hobbies, sports, etc.:

Check one: \$15.00 regular member, bulk mail (USA Only)
\$15.00 + \$4.00 for 1st Class Mail in US (required in Canada & Mexico)
\$ 2.00 family member residing at same address (no **YLH**)
\$15.00 subscriber
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\$23.00 **DX** dues. Air Mail (required for **DX-YL**)

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DISBURSING TREASURER'S Report *Carol KK5L Noack*

	General Fund	President's Fund	Convention Fund	Girl On The World Fund	Total
Balance, January 1,2003	\$ 19,489.61	\$ 300.01	\$ 3,614.55	\$ 51.32	\$ 23,455.49
Receipts:					
Membership Dues	\$ 3,016.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,016.00
First Class Postage	389.00	-	-	-	389.00
Subscriptions	24.00	-	-	-	24.00
Sales of Supplies	137.25	-	-	-	137.25
Interest Income	17.04	0.34	3.08	0.08	20.54
Total Receipts	\$ 3,583.29	\$ 0.34	\$ 3.08	\$ 0.08	\$ 3,586.79
Disbursements:					
YLH #4-2002 Circulation	\$ 287.84	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 287.84
YLH #5-2002 Circulation	436.22	-	-	-	436.22
YLH #5-2002 Printing	628.27	-	-	a.	628.27
YLH #6-2002 Circulation	413.46	-	-	-	413.46
YLH #6-2002 Printing	575.75	-	-	-	575.75
YLH #1-2003 Circulation	128.74	-	-	-	128.74
YLH #1-2003 Printing	437.29	-	-	-	437.29
Bulk Mailing Permit	150.00	-	-	-	150.00
Continuous Membership Chinn Exp	27.46	-	-	-	27.46
Receiving Treasurers' Expense	126.40	-	-	-	126.40
Cost of Supplies	16.99	-	-	-	16.99
Bank Service Charge	1.75	-	-	-	1.75
Total Disbursements	\$ 3,230.17	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,230.17
Increase (Decrease) in Cash	\$ 353.12	\$ 0.34	\$ 3.0	\$ 0.08	\$ 356.62
Balance, March 31,2003	\$ 19,842.73	\$ 300.35	\$ 3,617.63	\$ 51.40	\$ 23,812.11
Cash Accounts at March 31,2003					
Cash in Checking Account					\$10,632.31
Cash in Money Market Account					12,829.80
Petty Cash					350.00
Total Cash Accounts					\$23,812.11
Carol Noack, KK5L Disbursing Treasurer					

Snowflakes are one of nature's most fragile things, but just look what they can do when they stick together. - Vesta M. Kelly

Continuous Membership

de Cleo KOJFOBracket

55 year certificate **Vada W6CEE**

50 year certificate **Jerrie K6INK, Ruth Rickett W8LGY**

45 years: **Alverta K5MIZ, Marcia K6DLL,**

Jacquelyn W6YKU, Marte KOEPE,

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40 years: **Madge WA6LWE, Emelyn K7SMP**

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Martha KH6TYO, Ginger AB6YL

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Shawn K4SMG, Mary KF6QSN, Mariann AA9TB,

Beryl VE3UHG, Aimee FK8FA

That's all folks. **Cleo**

(Ed Note: Congratulations to all!!! That's quite a bit of work, Cleo III)

OUT AND ABOUT IN SOUTHEAST OH *de Connie N8IO*

These are cute, funny, and true?

1. If you're too open-minded, your brains fall out.
2. Age is a very high price to pay for maturity.
3. Going to shut doesn't make you a good Jew any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.
4. Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.
5. If you must choose between two evils, pick the one that you haven't tried before.
6. My idea of housework is to sweep the room with a glance.
7. Not one shred of evidence supports the notion that life is serious.
8. It is easier to get forgiveness than permission.
9. For every action, there is an equal and opposite government program.
10. If you look like your passport picture, you probably need the trip.

11. Bills travel through the mail at twice the speed of checks.
12. A conscience is what hurts when all other parts feel so good.
13. Eat well, stay fit, die anyway.
14. Men are from earth, women are from earth, deal with it.
15. No husband has ever been shot while doing the dishes.
16. A balanced diet is a cookie in each hand.
17. Middle age is when broadness of the mind and narrowness of the waist change places.
18. Opportunities always look bigger going than coming.
19. Junk is something you've kept for years and throw away three weeks before you need it.
20. There is always one more imbecile than you counted on.
21. Experience is a wonderful thing. It enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again.
22. By the time you've figured out how to make ends meet, the ends move.
23. Thou shalt not weigh more than the refrigerator.
24. Someone who thinks logically provides a nice contrast to the real world.
25. Learn from the mistakes of others. You can't live long enough to make them all yourself.
26. Doctors can be frustrating. You wait a month-and-a-half for an appointment, and he says, "I wish you'd come to me sooner." 73/88, *Connie N8IO*

District One

de Anne WBIARU Manna

Some day we may have spring in 1-land! It was warm on St. Patrick's Day, then we had more snow and buckets of rain with cold temperatures. I know the mid west is desperate for rain, I wish we could send them some of ours! Gardens and lawns are way behind because of too much water.

Arline - W1LIO has been trying to talk to her friend **Barbara - GWOSKC** on 15 meters at 1500 UTC each day. They have heard each other's voice once, but no QSO. They will try again in the fall. They are in contact by e mail, but not on the air. **Arline** visited **Barbara** and her husband in 1996.

Linda - WIMP wrote, "I don't have real radio news, but I did take a trip to Boston for the flower show and then rented a car that has a GPS navigation system with audio to travel to Washington, DC and back home to Vermont. It did a great job until I was on the route back to Vermont. I got to the New Jersey/New York area when I think it hiccupped and sent me over the George Washington Bridge into Manhattan. When I was at Broadway and 179th Street, I said, 'Uh oh, guess this system isn't perfected yet!' It took a call to their 800 number, good old paper maps, and a real live rep to get me back on the right road. Prior to that all I was hearing was, 'Please proceed to the calculated route.' I rented it to keep the trip from becoming boring since I was alone and had a lot of driving to do. It definitely satisfied that aspect and I'd do it again. In fact, I want one for my car! Other than

that, we still have snow and temperatures ranging from 10-50 degrees F. Is there Spring somewhere?" *(It sure kept you from being bored, didn't it, Linda? I'm still laughing!)*

Blanche - W4GXZ and **Anne - WBIARU** both attended an informal get-together of the Yankee Chapter of **QCWA** in February. It was quite a winter for the two former snowbirds (**Blanche and OM Wes - W4COW**) who stayed up north for the first time in many, many years.



Anne WBIARU es Blanche W4GXZ at QCWA luncheon February 2003

Anne - WBIARU was surprised to find out that she was second in Call Area 1 for the 10-10 International Net Winter Phone Contest. If she had stayed on the radio longer on Saturday, she might have been first. The band just died on Sunday, the second day of the contest.

WRONE will hold its Spring Luncheon on May 3rd, at Davenport's Restaurant in East Providence, RI. **Betty - KAI JKV** is the hostess.

I didn't hear from others, so this is the news for this time! Next deadline is June 15! 33, AnneWBIARU

If you make it plain you like people, it's hard for them to resist liking you back.
- Lois McMaster Bujold

District Two

de MYRTLE N2AKC FARNSWORTH

They say that some things are worth waiting for, and believe me I can relate to that when it means the snow is melted and gone and once again the sun is shining brightly. I realize May can also be a "tricky month," but March winds and not only April showers but April Fool's weather is just about history at this time. Tim?, to open the windows and let the fresh air in! I'll bet many of you thought as I did that warm weather would never arrive.

Seems I sometime feel that way about your news for Harmonics. I realize we *dti* all busy doing "this or that," so how about adding a little "this or that" to your list and call it a "quickie" for Harmonics. Everyone would like to know what is happening in your busy life.

Speaking of a busy life, **Lia-WA2NFY** certainly doesn't lead a dull life, what with her garden, her bird Toby, her friends and neighbors, and, of course, her amateur radio - she always finds time to write some news for Harmonics. She is busy outside raking her lawn, since the geese are flying over her house she says that is a sure sign of hot weather, and she wants to be prepared for it. Toby, her parrot, not only can turn on a light, he now can call in Morse code. I'm sure he hears a good bit of that when Lia is home, so he should get good at it.

Talked to **Vera-WAIJYO** on the **SAYLARC** Saturday morning net. We were the only two on, hopefully that was because conditions were not the best. **Vera** has been spending time listening to and copying CW on some of the nets, and she enjoys the practice.

Another reminder about the **SAYLARC** nets on Friday at 9am and again on Saturday at 9am check in and see what is happening. Did you know **SAYLARC** is 25 years old, yes, 2003 marks the 25th year and members want to do something to celebrate, so your thoughts and ideas will be appreciated. Put on your thinking caps and contact either **Lia-WA2NFY** or **Carli-NICD**.

I just spoke to **Jeanee-WA2BGE** on the phone. If you didn't know, she is no longer our District 1-4 Receiving Treasurer, a position she held for 17 years plus and was very sorry to have to resign due to her health. Hospice comes to her home every day, as does a registered nurse. Also a practical nurse comes to change her dressing as it is just too much for **Jeanee** to attend to. **Jeanee** says she sits in her chair most of the day and goes to bed between 4 and 7 pm. She looks forward to and is so happy to receive mail. So, ladies, please send her a card or write a little note of cheer to let her know she is in your thoughts and prayers. Everyone needs some sunshine in their lives, and **Jeanee** certainly does.

Golly, it seems almost impossible that I started this column with no idea of how much news I could come up with, but, lo and behold, once again we made it!

Let's all remember to keep our Service Men and Women in our prayers. May God Bless them one and all, and God Bless America! 33, Myrtle N2AKC
akcehm@juno.com

(Ed Note: This came In from another beautiful woman, Jean WA2BGE, our former Receiving Treasurer for Districts 1-4 - and I've now shared it with each and every one of you!!!)

"Did you know that it's Beautiful Women Month? Well, it is and that means you and me. I'm supposed to send this to FIVE BEAUTIFUL WOMEN, and you are one of them! Below is a wonderful poem. Audrey Hepburn wrote it when she was asked to share her 'beauty tips.' It was read at her funeral years later.

For attractive lips, speak words of kindness.

For lovely eyes, seek out the good in people.

For a slim figure, share your food with the hungry.

For beautiful hair, let a child run his/her fingers through it once a day.

For poise, walk with the knowledge that you never walk alone.

People, even more than things, have to be restored, renewed, revived, reclaimed, and redeemed; never throw out anyone.

Remember, if you ever need a helping hand, you will find one at the end of each of your arms.

As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands; one for helping yourself, and the other for helping others.

If you share this with another woman, something good will happen ... you will boost another woman's self esteem, and she will know that you care about her."

District Three

de Barb KA3 VXR Bender

Spring has FINALLY sprung here in 3-land! Some daffodils are blossoming and tulips will open up soon. It was a harsh winter and the warm temperatures are most welcome. The war in Iraq is winding down as I write this and we can only pray that our military come home soon and that the Iraqi people will truly experience peace.

They say "no news is good news," however, no news also means no article! I heard briefly from a few YLs.

Lois WB3EFQ has started on the EC Course #3 and she has participated in two public service events - the Brumbaugh Run and the MS Walk. She and her **OM, Tom W3BZB**, are looking forward to sunning themselves in Myrtle Beach the end of April for a week.

My adoptee in England, **Elaine GOWTO**, wrote to let me know she is enjoying Echolink. She has had some nice contacts using the international links, nodes and repeaters and finds it easy to use voice, CW and keyboard. Anyone else having fun on Echolink?

Kay WT3P has a new vanity callsign and a new e-mail address. She is now N3KN. The following e-mail addresses are valid for her: n3kn@comcast.net, wt3p@comcast.net and wt3p@earthlink.net

Sylvia W3SLF also has a new e-mail address: w3slf@aol.com

I recently e-mailed all the 3-land YLs in the latest YLH Directory requesting news for this article, and many of the addresses listed bounced back. So, ladies, if your address is wrong in the September 2002 YLH Directory, please let me know.

(Ed. Note: Me too! The 2003 Directory is already in the works and needs correct Information!) Thanks in advance.

Well, today is Tuesday of Holy Week and I have been busy with Easter preparations. I baked Easter Paska bread and nut, poppyseed and apricot rolls. Last week I made tons of homemade chocolates and mailed care eggs and also Lithuanian waxed eggs. Not much time for ham radio lately except for the local ARES 2-M net.

I am coordinating a VE Exam at the local college (University of Pittsburgh), the members of his (*Who 'he, 'Barb?*) senior class will be present for the exam. Nice way to get new, young hams into the hobby.

So, what is going on in YOUR world? How about sharing something about yourself with the rest of the YLs in 3-land? Everyone would love to hear from you. Till next time, have a Blessed Easter and enjoy SPRING! Send news to: ka3vyr@penn.com 33 de Barb KA3VXR

District Four

de MARY WX4MM MOORE

Hello to all, am writing this column late while waiting for the DX-YL contest to begin. I hope to hear lots of DX - YLs on today and tomorrow. I took leave from my work to be able to work it this year. Would like to beat my contesting record, currently it is one contact every two hours. Sure would be nice to at least get two contacts every hour.

Looking forward to the Birmingham Hamfest on May 3-4. Hope to see many of you there as well as in Huntsville this fall. Lately we have only been making those two, if I am not working somewhere.

I am taking the Emergency Communication Courses from ARRL online and feel that they are very worthwhile. Emergency communications have changed since the "old days" and everyone needs a refresher, no matter how much emergency communications they have done in the past.

My thanks to **Cheryl AA4YL** for running for DC in the elections this year. I still encourage any YLs to take a part in the organization. Without YOU we don't have an organization.

Please let me know what activities you are participating in, via email, phone, US Mail, whatever. We are interested but do not hear from you gals very often. Hope your spring is as beautiful as ours is here in Alabama, all the azaleas and camillias blooming. The trees are all green and the grass is growing. Best Wishes to all until next time. 33, *Mary WX4MM*

*We ask ourselves, "Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous?"
Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God. - Nelson Mandela*

2003 DX-YL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please use this form if you are a **DX-YL** paying your own dues or if you sponsor a **DX-YL**. Make check (US only) or International Postal Money Order (in US Funds) payable to the Young Ladies Radio League, Inc. A separate form is needed for each **DX-YL** renewal.

Check one: Paying my own dues

Same adoptee/sponsor as last year

DX-YL Call:Recent Prior Call:

Name:Country:

Address:New Address? Y / N

City:State/ProvincePostal Code:

Phone Number:FAX Number:

Packet Address:e-mail Address:!

License Class:Year first licensed:Year joined **YLRL**:

What ham activities do you enjoy and/or participate in? Include nets, modes, contests, clubs, or?

Sponsor's Name: Call:

Other hams in family?

Address:City:

State/ProvinceZip:e-mail:

a/o 2003 \$23.00 DX dues, Air Mail - required for DX YL

Make your check (US only) or International Postal Money Order (in US funds) payable to Young Ladies' Radio League, Inc., and send to the below Receiving Treasurer.

DXRT-Carol Hall **WD8DQG**, 1520 Kinvan Ln, Belgrade MT 59714 406-388-7031

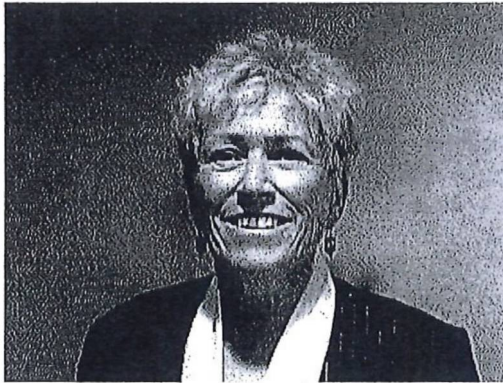
e-mail: clvhall@attglobal.net

Ed, Note: When filling out the above form, please put in full address - we're checking the list so we don't miss anyone — also, please note the request for an e-mail address for hofisponsor and DX-YL

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Kay WA0WOF at convention - August 3, 2002



Jeanie WA6UVF at convention - 3 August 2002



Lois WB3EFQ at convention - 3 August 2002

YLRL BALLOT 2004-2005 OFFICERS

Ballots due Oct. 15, 2003

READ the DIRECTIONS on the previous page before Completing the ballot below

President: Cheryl Muhr, NOWBV ()

Vice President: Mary Moore, WX4MM ()

Disbursing Treasure: Linda S Hynan, AC5QQ ()

Vote for **YOUR** own Receiving Treasurer and **Your** own District Chairwoman see Directions on previous page.

Receiving Treasurers:

District 1-4	Karen Hunt, N1WU	()
District 5-7	Doris A May, KJ5RF	()
District 8-10, KH6, KL, & VE Carol J Schmitkøns	KI8IM	()
DX Receiving Treasure	Carol Hall WD8DQG/7	()

District Chairwoman:

1 st District	Anne E, Manna WB1ARU	()
2 nd District	Myrtle M. Farnsworth N2AKC	()
3 rd District	Blanche Barbara Bender , KA3VXR	()
4 th District	Cheryl Whitlock, AA4YL	()
5 th District	Alma P Lang, AB5BA	()
6 th District	Dawn Biocca, KB6MBP	()
7 th District	Sara Lyons, AB7PS	()
8 th District	Carolyn Donner, N8ST	()
9 th District	Carol? Bijnke JYB9RUS	()
10* District	Doshia Kretke KBONAS	()
DX, 7 th		()
KL District	Lillian Marvin, NL7DL	()

Candidates for 2004-2005 Young Ladies Radio League Officers

President

Cheryl Muhr, NOWBV

Cheryl has been licensed since 1993 and a member of YLRL since 1976. She has been District 10 Chair since 1995 and is current Publicity Chair. She is a member of Colorado YLs. She is one of the YLs that is Hosting the 2005 YLRL Convention. Cheryl lives in Littleton, CO.

Vice PrcMsnt

Mary Moore, WX4MM

Mary has been licensed since 1976. She has been both KL& and 4th District Chair. She is member of the Columbus ARC and is VE Team Liaison of East Alabama ARC. Mary lives in Salem, AL.

Secretary

Lois J. Gutshall, WB3EFO

Has been a licensed operator since September 1976. Holds Extra Class license. Very active with Horseshoe ARC. Holding office of President, Vice President, Editor of the News Letter. A VE. Made ARRL Honor Role last year with 332 countries confirmed. Was licensed as VK3FYL in Australia and operated portable PJ from Naarte and Aruba.

Has held the following offices with YLRL 3rd District Chair, Supplies Chair for 5 years. And currently Secretary (Appointed in 2002),

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Linda Hyman, AC5QQ

First licensed in 1994 and holds an Extra Class. Became a member of YLRL 1996. Is a member of Heart O' Texas ARC (HOT ARC). Has served as Secretary. Is a member of TYLRUN and is Secretary/Treasurer at present having served two years prior to this term- She has also served as Editor of The Grapevine. Is a member of ARES. Linda is ARRL Liaison VE for the Baylor U ARC & HO'TARC Team

Receiving Treasurer

Districts 1-4

Karen Hart, N1WU

Karen has been licensed since 1984. She has been a member of YLRL since 1986. She is member of the Narraguagus Bay ARC. Was a previous member of the Waterbury ARC in CT, where she served as Vice President. Her favorite part of radio is CODE. Karen lives in Steuben, ME

Districts 5-7

Doris Mays, KJ7RF

Doris has been licensed since 1995 and a member of YLRL since 1995. She is a current Receiving Treasurer for YLRL. Doris lives in Pahrump, NV

Districts 8-10, KH6; KL7; VE

Carol J. Schmitkons, K18IM

Carol has been licensed since 1994 and a member of YLRL since 1996. She is current Receiving Treasurer for YLRL. She is a member of Chix on Six and Buckeye Bells and is treasurer for both clubs. Carol lives in Lorain, OH.

DX Receiving Treasurer
Carol Hall WD 8 DQG

Carol has been licensed since 1997 and a member of YLRL since 1996. She past president of YLRL and has also been 8th District Chairman and Nominating Chair. She is a member of Buckeye Bells, CMARA, GVARA, and TASYLS. Carol lives in Belgrade, MT.

District Chairwomen

1st District

Anne E. Manna WBIARU

Anne has been licensed since 1997 and a member of YLRL since 1997. She has been 1st District Chairwoman since 1986 She is a member of Capeway RC and WRONE. She is President of both groups. She is on the present Election committee of YLRL.
Anne lives in Hanover, MA.

2nd District

Myrtle M. Farnsworth, N2AKC

Myrtle has been licensed since 1978 and a member of YLRL since 1982. She has been 2nd District Chairwoman since 1996. She is a member of SAYLARC and Buckeye Bells.
Myrtle lives in Medford Lakes, NJ

3rd District

Blanch Barbara Blender, KA3VXR

Barbara has been licensed since 1990 and a member of YLRL since 1994. She has been 3rd District Chairwoman since 1998. She is a member of Horseshoe ARC and Dividing Ridge ARC. She has been Vice President of both groups. Barbara lives on Ebensburg, PA

4th District

Cheryl Whitlock AA4YL

Licensed in 1984. Is a member of East Alabama ARC-held offices of Secretary/Treasurer. Currently Webmaster, Newsletter Editor and PIO
Held the following of YLRL DX receiving Treasurer
Cheryl lives in Opelika, AL

5th District

Alma Lane, AB5BA

Alma has been licensed since 1986 and a member of YLRL since 1989. She has been Publicity Chair for YLRL. And is current District 5 Chairwoman.
She and her Husband, Jim, K5VRJ were awarded Life Membership of Heart O' Texas ARC. Where she held several offices.
Was VE under ARRL & W5YI. Heading up the testing in this area for 10 years.
Alma lives near Eddy, TX.

6th District

Dawn Biocca, KB6LHP

Dawn was first licensed in 1986. OM is Alan, WB6ZQZ, Licened 37 years.
Son Chris, KG6LXL daughter Jessica-17.
Dawn lives in El Sobrante, CA

7th District

Sara Lyon, AB7PS

Sara has been licensed since 1993. Has been a YLRL member July 1995. She is currently District & Chairwoman and has held this office since 1996. She is a member of Minow Net and has been the Secretary-Treasurer. Sara lives in Olympia, WA.

8th District

Carolyn Donner, N8ST -

Carolyn been licensed since 1998. Has been a member of YLRL since July 1998.
She has held the following offices with YLRL YLCC Certificate Custodian.
Carolyn Eves in Hamersville, OH

9th District

Carole L. Burke, WB9RUS

Carole has been licensed since 1975 and a member of YLRL since 1976.

She has been District 9 Chair since 1994. She is a member of Fort Wayne RC and has been President and Secretary. Carole lives in Fort Wayne, IN

10^{* *} District

Doshi Kretke, KBONAS

Doshi has been licensed since 1994 And a member of YLRL since 2/2002. Is a member of Colorado YL's in which she held office of Secretary. She belongs to the Saturday AM Colorado YL Net round table.

Doshi Lives in Bolder, CO

KL District

Lillian Marvin NL7DL

Lillian has been licensed since 1985 and a member of YLRL since 1986.

She was KL District Chairwoman in 1993 and 1994. She is a member of PARKA and Anchorage ARC.

Has been vice President of both groups and Secretary of AARC. Lillian lives in Anchorage, AK

DIRECTION FOR COMPLETING BALLOT FOLLOWS

Failure to follow these directions may result in disqualification of your ballot.

EVERYONE (YLS, DX-YLS and family members) except subscribers vote for the people who serve **YOU**. You vote for your President, Vice President, Disbursing Treasurer,

- **Your** Receiving Treasurer and **YOUR** District Chairwoman.

DX YLS: **Your** DX Receiving Treasurer is also your DX chairwoman. If no one is running in your district, leave the district chairwomen section blank.

After filling out your ballot, place in a **sealed envelope** and put your **signature and your call** on out side of **that sealed envelope**. **Next**, place the sealed in another envelope and mail to

Lois Gutshall, WB3EFQ

R. R. 1 Box 71

Altoona, PA 166601

District Five

de Alma AB5BA Lang

'Tis this time again, and of course the **YLRL** Candidates are in this issue.

First I want to thank present officers who were so helpful with any problem the three Election Committee **Ys**, **Anne WB1ARU** Manna, **Cheryl NOWBV** Muhr, and I, had. This is a great group of **Ys** to work with. Thanks again.

Now I want to remind all 5th District **YLRL** members to send me some mail by the 5th of June - PLEASE- If you don't write, I won't have any thing to send to editor.

And, remind everyone to read the voting instructions and get the Ballots mailed in.

We had a great turnout at the HAMEXPO in Belton, Texas, lot of folks stopped by — several **Ys** asked questions. And took literature. Hope they fill out applications and mail to **Doris KJ7RF** . Everyone stay cool this summer-- And don't forget to keep a Prayer ongoing for our Nation and the World.

Esther WD5EMZ Smith - Hello, wishing all a happy, healthy, and wonderful new year. This last year has been good to me. My sister, Marie Adeline, from Lancaster, California, spent three months with my other sister, Marion, and the three of us made the most of it. She came in August and left the first of November. Marion lives in Orange Texas and between here and there, we did travel down the highway.

Did not have a good garden this year, Planted a big one, but the weather was not good. Stayed too wet. Did get some great bell peppers. Will not plant again this year. I will just work the flower bed in my front yard, It's a very small yard. Then my daughter, Cindy, and her **OM, Arthur**, invited me to travel to Florida. We went at a slow pace and took in everything the towns offered. I was interested in all forms of needle shops. From beads to cross stitch, needlepoint, quilting and everything pertaining to thread, material and equipment needed for the one pleasure of my life.

The quilt shops were really wonderful. Several in New Orleans had beautiful antique quilts. They were a true works of art. All quilts are lovely, but some are beyond perfect. The stitching "by hand" were very tiny and so even and in perfect line of design quilting. From there through to Jacksonville and south to Orlando the shops were treasure to see. *(So glad to hear part of the country is still doing a lot of 'hand' stitching on quilts/)* Pensacola is where I found a lovely mini-quilting frame. I have several that my father made and in this house they take up a lot of room. So it does come in handy to work in small places and also, easy to take with me when I travel. And down the highway I found another frame I wanted. A cross stitch scroll frame with a floor stand. It is worth every penny it cost me. Several quilt shops along the way were exceptionally nice and huge. The selection of fabric was fantastic. Quite a few rooms full of bolts and from the floor to the ceiling and we spent hours looking at notions and patterns. The best shops were in the medium-size cities. One is about four hours away, so it will be a nice one day trip this summer. I will be saving my

pennies to make a trip again later this year up the Atlantic coast and see some eastern quilt shops. Would love to make a slow trip all the way to up to Canada, but wishing, I guess. 33 *Esther WD5EMZ*

Doris K5BNQ Anderson --I hope I am not too late for Harmonics news. (*Definitely not too late, Doris.*) We've had a long, very frigid winter breaking snow records of 30 days duration. We just hibernate and enjoy our fireplace when we get snowed in up here on our hill. We went to the Green Country Hamfest in Claremore, Oklahoma on March 14th and 15th and enjoyed seeing many friends we had not seen in a while. Then, the next weekend we went to a Lay Witness Mission reunion and visited with a lot more. At our ages, remembering is one of the most enjoyable activities! (*And, remembering meeting you and Andy in Cleveland is one of the 'bright' spots of the 2002 YLRL convention!!!*) We just graduated 63 new docents at the zoo, and I had the privilege of doing the calligraphy on their diplomas. I'm still active on the Prayer Card Ministry at our church, sing in the Chancel Choir, and working on our Church's Centennial Committee - the BIG DAY being October 12. **Andy** and I have been members 53 of the 100 years. It's exciting. Did anyone send you any pictures of the TYLRUN Party? I have one of Helen **W5LGY**, **Lynn W5RYX**, and me. We and **Martha W5YKE** are the only first year members still left. This picture is not the greatest quality but I'll send it if you want it. All the best to you and Jim. Have a blessed Easter. 73, 88,33 *Doris, Andy and Taffy.*

Let us hear from you. 33 *and Have a Great Year, Alma AB5BA*

District Six

de Jeri KB6USX Haines

Joan Upton **WA6TNY** is a SK, due to complications of diabetes. **Joan** was a former YLRL President and also served as Editor of **YLH**. Cards may be sent to her daughter Cynthia, at **Joan's** address shown in **YLH**. **Joan's** twin sister is: **Lois** Valin **NX7V/3** **Lois** is now located in Gaithersburg, Maryland. loisiz@earthlink.net [last reported e-mail address] She is a member of **YLRL**. **Jean K6OQD** passed all this information to us. Tnx, **Jean**.

Remember this every time you pass that little penny in the parking lot. I always thought that it was for Good Luck, but I love this version better:

I found a penny today
Just laying on the ground.
But it's not just a penny,
this little coin I've found.

Found pennies come from heaven,
that's what my Grandpa told me.
He said Angels toss them down.
Oh, how I loved that story.

He said when an Angel misses you,
they toss a penny'down.
Sometimes just to cheer you up,
to make a smile out of your frown.

So, don't pass by that penny,
when you're feeling blue.
It may be a penny from heaven,
that an Angel's tossed to you.

So now pass this on to the people
who you care about and who you
feel are Angels to you,

I just did.

An Angel is now watching over you.

Dawn KB6MPB Biocca, our nominee for the **YLRL** 6th DC for 2004-2005, is going to Dayton this year and is also working on organizing **YLRL** presence at **PacifiCon** this year. **Jeanie WA6UVF** Parker, our VP, has been asked to speak. (*Ed. Note: Which one, Jeanie, Dayton Hanfest or PacifiCon?*) Busy ladies, these two. 33 - **Jeri KB6USX**

District Seven

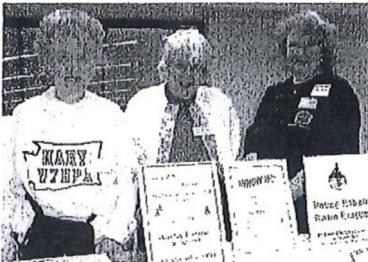
de Sara AB7PS Lyon

Greetings! We've had a rainy spring in western Washington! We're ready for some sunshine!

The MINOW NET is preparing for their Annual Meeting and Picnic to be held in Olympia this year. Activities will include a tour of the local Amtrak station which was financed and is operated by volunteers including **Ruth K1IIF** and her **OM, Jack W1PRT**. - and a visit to a lovely Rhododendron Garden. The spring MINOW Newsletter has just been mailed out. Both the Friday morning net on 80 M and the Tuesday net on 20 M average about five check-ins. We especially enjoy hearing about the activities of **Karen AC7UN** on her farm. A few weeks ago she assisted in the birth of Buzz, a male lamb whose mother, Ellie Ewe, was having a difficult birth. Both mother and lamb are doing fine! We really miss **Lory N7KTY** on the Friday morning net. She and her OM have just moved to a new home on the other side of Eugene. They have plans for putting up antennas but it will be awhile. Verda **K7UBA** celebrated her 85th birthday in March with a surprise birthday party. She's always busy baking pies, Almond Roca, and other goodies.

Lately the Evergreen Intertie system has been left on for our net - it was great to have Melissa KD7IEM from Forest Grove, Oregon and Robin KJ7BI from Portland check in and also two YLs from Pullman, Washington. We are hoping that more YLs from eastern Washington, Idaho, and western Oregon will be able to check

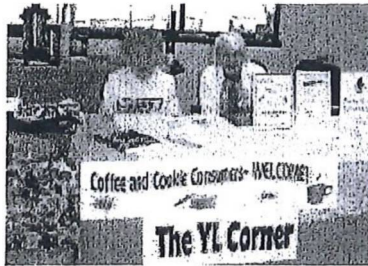
in. The YLs of the Net had their table as usual at the Mike and Key Electronic Fleamarket at the Western Washington Fairgrounds on March 8th. There were about 30 YLs who signed the check-in list. - twice as many as last year! Several of us brought cookies and Judi N7NH kept the coffeepot going as usual - the OMs appreciate it and donate generously. But **Judi** tells us we will need to find a replacement since next year will be her last. She plans to retire from work and they hope to spend winters in Arizona. (*Another Snowbirdfamily at Quartzsite?*)



Mary W7HPA, Sara AB7I'S
es Joann KC7LMR March 2003



Judi N7NH es coffeel



Mary es Sara - Coffee anyone?

The Two Rivers **YL** Net is preparing for the **YLRL** Booth and Luncheon at SeaPac, Seaside, Oregon in June. Those of you in western Washington and Oregon won't want to miss the talk by **Candy SP5XAB** from Warsaw, Poland telling about her DXpedition experiences.

In other news **Doris "Dee" Chambers WB7ULY** graduated in February from Ottawa University, Phoenix, AZ with a Master of Arts degree in Professional Counseling. She was especially thrilled to receive the Certificate in Advanced Graduate Studies (CAGS) in Marriage, Family and Child Therapy at the same time! Congratulations, "Dee!"

Hello, Yvonne — Women's Army Corps Veterans Association
Sara - Young Ladies Radio League
and Roxie -- Reserve Representative, 187th ARCT,

By the time you receive this, the event I am about to relate will have already happened. However, it is nonetheless worthy of publication because it is about "one of us" — namely, me.



Doris Mane "Dee" WB7ULY Chambers, M.A.P.C., M.F.C.T. 2003 Graduation

At approximately 8:15 in the evening of February 7, 2003, I graduated from Ottawa University-Phoenix (Arizona) with a Master of Arts degree in Professional Counseling!! When my name was called, I stepped up to the podium, "stooped down" just a bit to receive my Master's hood from my Advisor, shook the hand of the University President, and returned to my seat.

No sooner had I sat down than my name was again called, and I traipsed up to the podium once more - this time, much to my surprise and pleasure, to receive a Certificate in Advanced Graduate Studies (CAGS) in Marriage, Family and Child Therapy!! My advisor had told me several months prior that I would have to return after I received my Master's and take about five other required courses for the CAGS, so I was thrilled to receive it along with my degree. To boast about myself: just a bit, I had over 80 credit hours to my name by the time I graduated, and that undoubtedly was the reason my Advisor elected to bestow the CAGS upon me that

evening. I am attaching a photograph (.jpg file) that my husband took of me that night. I hope you will find room to use it in the next issue of the newsletter(s).

Thanks, ladies. **Doris Marie "Dee"** Chambers, M.A.P.C, M.F.C.T.

* Past-President - Kachina Chapter #81, Women's Army Corps Veterans Association

* Amateur Radio Operator **WB7ULY** and **YLRL** Member

* Reserve Member #193 (I think - can't find my Life Membership card),

187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team Association -- Rakkasan! (Ed. Note: Congratulations also come from me, Dee! Please get in touch ■ we'll probably have some IVAC war stories to swap!) I'm hoping to hear from more of you soon. 33, Sara AB7PS

Did anyone ever tell you, Just how special you are? The light that you emit, Might even light a star...Did anyone ever tell you how important you make others feel? Somebody out there is smiling about a friendship that's so real. Did anyone ever tell you many times, when they were sad, your e-mail made them smile a bit - in fact it made them glad? For the time you spend sending things, and sharing what you find, Makes me so very glad, that you are a friend of mine. Did anyone ever tell you just how much it meant, the days they felt a little blue? Well, my dearest, On-line friend, Today I am telling you. I believe that without a friend you are missing out on a very important part of life... (And that's so very true III)

District KL7

de Lil NL 7DL Marvin

Got some news from **Betty Marsh KL7FJW**. She still had some ice on the water but was getting 50 degrees at times during the day. Things are warming up in Thom Bay. She says that her bird feeders are full of birds and she thinks that some of them are migrating birds. Her crocuses are in full bloom and her daffodils are peeking up through the ground. Her spring glory bulbs are showing some green, but nothing else. Her lily of the valley are not showing signs of coming up yet, but the wild columbines are coming up. Betty's Tuesday Minow Net has ups and downs with check-ins, sometimes nine or ten, sometimes only a couple. But she tries to keep it going. She is planning a trip to Fairbanks in May for a couple of weeks, to visit her children. I am sure that she is looking forward to that. Then back home, she says, to get ready for the summer visitors.

Our Anchorage **PARKA** group still meets on the second Saturday of each month. We had six people at our last meeting- **Doug Dickinson KL7IKX**, **Margie Page KL7GLU** and her daughter, Vicky, my friend Annie Stewart (we are working on Annie to get her to get her amateur license), my husband, **Rick Marvin KL7YF**, and me. Will try to work to get the attendance back up.

Margie is doing well. She and her daughter Vicky (who is not a ham) get out and do things together. Margie is somewhat housebound, but can get out and do things with her daughter and her friends. She has been a long-time **PARKA** member and has been active with the group.

My report is somewhat akin to Betty's. Crocuses and grape hyacinths are up and in full bloom. Tulips, daylilies, and lots of other flowers are coming up, too. Spring has been a cool one. Still have some frost on the car windows in the morning, even though it is late April. Have been working on catching up on a lot of things since our return from our long vacation in the Georgia area. Got back in mid-March, but when one has been gone for almost four months, a lot of things fall behind and it takes some time to catch up. Took us a couple of weeks just to get through all the mail! I.

73s to all the YLs out there. 33, *de Lil NL7DL*

District Eight

de Nancy KC4IYD Hall

Hi ladies, Spring is here and the weather is finally turning warm in Ohio. Some news from my end is that I successfully completed ARRL's Level I - Introduction to Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course (EC-001). I know that Lois Gutshall **WB3EFQ** has completed both Level I and Level II of the Emergency Communications Course. If anyone else has completed either these or other **ARRL** Certification and Continuing Education courses, let me know. For more info on these course, visit <http://www.arrl.org/cce/>. Here are some news from 8-land YLs.

Carolyn N8ST participated in a VE session with the USS JURASSIC VE team on March 8th in Georgetown, Ohio. She's still participating in an SSTV net on the OH-KY-IN repeater on Wednesdays, and when she can on the SSTV net on the Georgetown repeater on Tuesdays. She also participated in CW practice sessions on the Georgetown repeater. She's been fixing up and rebuilding computers for fun, too and got hooked up to Echolink. Haven't had much time to play with it yet, but it is fun.

Connie N8IO will be at the Dayton Hamvention® again this year for the 25th year, the only one she missed was when her first grandson was born. She'll again be assisting with the license exams on Friday morning and Saturday afternoon so should make the **YLRL** forum. **Connie** attained the GERATOL (Greetings Extra Radio Amateurs Tired of Operating Lately) Award for both herself and the Marietta Amateur Radio Club **W8HH** and then worked 100 GERATOL numbers for a Director's Award for both calls. In other words, she worked all states twice for the first one. She's planning a trip out to Washington again this year (without the motor home because of gas prices). She leaves on July 14 and returns on August 9.

Rose K8VFR received a certificate for Michigan first place in the 2002 CW Virginia QSO Contest. On April 5-6th she worked **QCWA** contest on CW and had lots of fun.

Cheryl KB8YKA got married to **KA8WQL**, **Bob** Majkrzak, on December 20, 2002. Both will be going to Dayton for the fifth year and they plan to stop by the Buckeye Belle/YLRL table. With her son in the navy and in the Middle East they have been doing a lot of shortwave listening. They are hoping to find out when Kids Day is this year because they have two young third-graders who have been waiting since last year to participate with them for this event. Her daughter, Cherise, worked

the radio with **Bob** on Kids Day for at least two years. She never became a ham, but there's still time.

Field Day is June 28-29 so listen out for the following YLs. **Carolyn N8ST** will be operating Field Day from a park in Georgetown, Ohio using the USS JURASSIC callsign **K8SSJ**. **Connie N8IO** has no plans yet for field day, but if she does it will be under the call **W8HH**. **Nancy KC4IYD** will be operating with the NASA Glenn Amateur Radio club using the callsign **NA8SA**. Members of the Chix YL club and Buckeye Belles will be working Field Day with members of the Southeast Amateur Radio Club using the call **K8EMY**.

The Buckeye Belles Annual Meeting was held on April 12 at the Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City, Ohio. There were 16 YLs in attendance with speaker Joe Phillips **K8QOE**, Ohio section manager, telling us about his participation in the TI5N DXpedition to Costa Rico. For more info on the Belles, check out their webpage at <http://www.geocities.com/kc4iyd>. The Auto State YL Club (TASYL) 38th annual meeting was held on March 15 in Marshall, Michigan. The following YLs were elected into office President, **Grace** Switzer; Vice President, **Donna** Birch; and Secretary-Treasurer, **Sylvia** Hutchinson. For more info on TASYLs, check out their webpage at: <http://www.qsl.net/tasy/>

The Queen City Chorus, of which **Susie N8CGM** is a member, placed 7th overall in the recent Region 4 contest & 1st in Division A (small chori). They even got medals--used to be all there was, was a purple ribbon. This is out of 20 choruses and was the 1st weekend in April. In Susie's words, "Our director is over the moon, and since we only won the division by one point, they who were second will be gunning for us next year. Gotta get better, can't regress. Happy Easter Egg to all. In harmony, Brad & **Susie**"

Pamela Toman **KB9SCM**, daughter of **Tim N9TO** and **Carol WD9CNW**, was awarded a scholarship for four weeks of exchange study in Germany this summer. Tim states that Pam has done excellent work on all of her studies and her study of German in particular her but he believes Amateur Radio may have helped tip the scales if only a little. **Pam** has told him that the interviewers were interested in her having listed Amateur Radio as a hobby. She talked about Field Day and a few **DX** stations she has worked. Now **Pam** will be a **DX** station for her family. The Tomans are looking for contacts in Germany, and info about getting a German license. Their best hope would be for **Pam** to be housed near Nuremberg and apply for a German license and use the local repeater to access IRLP and link to her home repeater to talk directly to her family, however that is a lot to hope for. If anyone has additional info, please contact Pamela at kb9scm@arrl.net or Tim at timtoman@attbi.com

33, **Nancy KC4IYD** kc4iyd@arrl.net *(It's hard to believe that I could add anything to your column, Nancy, but the below was precious and needs to be in here!)*

Puck everlasting - **KI8V Verline** Ferris, proud grandmother of Cody Ferris - with an excerpt from the newspaper about her grandson - 'When the NHL and Nickelodeon got to picking the Stick Kids for the recent 2003 All-Star Weekend, it's hard to believe they could've typecast a better youngster than Cody. He is eight

years old. He is a third grader at United Oaks Elementary School in Hazel Park. He plays on a travel hockey team. Already, he has lbgged more ice time than a harp seal twice his age. If Cody is not on the ice at the Troy Sports Center, he is down in the basement ripping pucks at a goal. BytJim Evans, Daily Tribune Sports Writer March 01, 2003' *(There's so much more to the story, but you get the picture/ Congratulations, Cody on your adventure with the NHL! Maybe one of these days, you'll be playing with them all the time! Must add the following:)* "My grandma entered the contest for me," said Cody. "When I found out I had been picked, I jumped up and down. I couldn't believe it."

District Nine

de Carole WB9RUS Burke

Spring has finally arrived in Indiana. It took long enough. If the weather holds, we will have a wonderful Easter Sunday. I have a lot of news this month. Al and I spent two weeks in Florida last month and had a wonderful time. We spent a wonderful afternoon with **Jan WA2YL**. We had lunch with her and she played torn guide for US. *(See pic on next page!)*

Unfortunately, I didn't get to see **Peggy KY8Y** this year, our schedules wouldn't cooperate, but we did talk on the phone a couple of times. We also got to see **Becky N2XUW** and her **OM, Bill N9WS**, friends from Fort Wayne who moved to Punta Gorda last July. We went deep-sea fishing for the first time. Had a great time even though I caught a fish that was the runt of the litter, only six inches and they have to be at least 22 inches to be a keeper. Al caught six nice size groupers, but still not quite big enough. We want to do that again next year.

Dot N9ALC writes she two more additions to their family, one in February and one in May. Congratulations, I hope we hear all about them. She and her **OM, Bob**, are VEs and are in involved in VE testing. She also says that her book on lighthouses is beginning to look pretty good. She is an official member now 'number 780' and she catches one whenever she hears on one.

I, also, heard from **Pamela KB9SCM**. She is learning German and recently won a study trip to Nuremberg or Erlangen, Germany though the American Association of Teachers of German and the German Padagogischer Austauschdienst. It is a four-week study trip. She feels strongly that her background in amateur radio was one of the main reasons that she was a recipient of the outstanding trip. Pamela is looking into reciprocal licensing. Congratulations, Pam, what a wonderful opportunity. Please let us know how the trip goes.

Also got a letter from **Mary WO9R**. She writes that although her **OM, John**, is on the air daily, she is pursuing her other hobbies while admiring his building projects. She says the radio room has expanded to the basement and the upstairs. She is making pottery and is enjoying time selling in a local shop. She enjoys the whole process of making, glazing, firing and selling. They continue to love their farm and woodland trials, her goats and chickens and all the wild critters.



Jan WA2YL es Carole WB9RUS March 2003

It was so nice to have something to write about this time. As they say, keep those cards and letters coming. Hope to see a lot of you in Dayton. 33, Carole WB9RUS

District Ten

de Cheryl NOWB VMuhr

Hi everyone! It is that time of year again. Start thinking about Field Day. Where do you go? Do you participate every year? Let me know all your news for the next column!

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Summer is a great time to learn to build antennas! If you don't know where to start, check out the YLRL website and click on the activity of the month. **Nancy KC4IYD** has been doing a great job with a new activity each month. There is a lot of great information there! Thanks, **Nancy!**



Aim KA0ZFI, Debbie KC0FSN, Doshia KB0NAS, Front - Sharlene KB0NBT, es Cheryl N0WBV

Hope you got to participate in some of the DX-YL to NA-YL contests and had a chance to get to Dayton. Read more about Dayton in the next issue. Let me know

your experiences. Take care and SEND ME NEWS....I don't want to have to drag out my cat stories. :) For now 33 & 73 and see you on the bands. Cheryl NOWBV

, DX News

Carol Hall WD8DQG

Edith DF7WU is visiting Japan. She will visit **Hiromi JJ1CAS** in Tokyo and then will go to Kyoto to meet the JLRS members and **Nozomi JH3SQN**

Lois DJ0GI has a new little girl (born December 6, 2002), Samira Zoe - Samira means "song of praise" in Hebrew and Zoe means "life" in Greek. They are looking forward to having their two older daughters studying in California home for a while in May. **Lois** has a new e-mail address: martinwollin@onlinehome.de While we are on new additions, "Oma" **Ruth IT9ESZ** has her first grandchild, Elena-Cristina born on March 14 and she and "Opa" **Enzo** went to Zurich to inspect the newest member to their family. **Ruth** says she will have to get used to this Won't take too much! (*Watch out, Ruth, pretty soon you'll be in the 'great Oma' category!*)

I received a nice letter from **Madga ZS6MVW**. She says that Mar[^] was a very busy month for them. They had a wedding to go to and then the Hams.h[^] h. big flea market, and their club was making and selling hamburgers. They participated on the 14th, 15th, and 16th in the big UHF/VHF competition, setting up a fifeWs- station on a mountain about 28km from their house. I passed this letter on to **Marte KOEPE**, net control of Tangle Net, which sponsors **Madga**.

Mavis VK3KS received her 30 year sticker for her membership in **YLRL**. She is now sponsored by **Christine WV2YBA**. **Mavis** joined **YLRL** initially in 1950. **Mavis** hopes to be around to see her name in Harmonics for her 40th sticker! I'm not going to tell when, but **Mavis** was licensed before I was born. Her husband taught her enough to pass the test, and they got married in 1943. When they moved to their present location 12 years ago, she was not allowed to have a tower or poles, so has only a wire and really misses the nets and contests.

Well, the air waves have been rather weird lately. I checked into the **DX-YL** net on 21.333 mtrs several Mondays ago and couldn't hear Europe at all, but had a beautiful contact with **Truus P49TR** in Aruba. I talked with her during a contest several years ago when she was in the Netherlands, but have not yet had a contact with her in Toronto.

I also have been trying to check into the ALARA net, 14.222 mtrs on Sunday night (0500 Monday their time) and had the good fortune to talk with Dave **ZL1AZM** and **Aola ZL1ALE** whom I met in Toronto five years ago at the CLARA convention.

Nori 7K3EOP has set up a new antenna in their shack in Ibaraki prefecture.

Well, I'm sorry to say only half of the **DX-YL** dues have been paid so far, please let me hear from you who have just forgotten. (*Tux for the reminder, Carol, they're in the malllll*)

If you have a questions, my e-mail is CLVHall@attglobal.net 33, Carol Hal
WD8DQG

Silent Keys and Condolences

*Our prayers go to the family and friends of Joan WA6TNY/SK Upton. She will
be sorely missed.*

YLRL Changes, Corrections, etc., etc., etc.

Please change **Chieko JO2FQK** Kobayashi's address to read: 3-4 Midori Chou
Fuji City 417-0049, Japan *Also congratulate her on her new name!*

Please change **Shirley K8MZT** Rex's address to temporarily read: 22<
Hawthorne St., Scotch Plains, NJ 07076 add e-mail: gram2225@aol.com an<
phone number of: 908-889-0429 **Shirley's** the founder of the Buckeye Belles, ha;
had a stroke and is temporarily with her granddaughter!

Please change **Marty NY4H** Silver's e-mail address to read: ny4hsil@aol.com
(sorry about the typo in the 2002 Directory — It's already been changed in the 2003!)

Please change the sponsor for **Rosemary DL4NAN** to read: **W09R**

Please add the sponsor's name to **Vai VK4VR** Rickaby's info: **N0WBV**

Please change **Marge K8ITF** Farinet's address to read: 7070 Lee Rd.
Westerville, OH 43081 Phone number is: 614-898-9565 *(Glad that's finally cleared up
Marge!)*

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Please show new e-mail address for: **Ginger AB6YL** Wonderling - gwonder@earthlink.net

Please show a new call sign for **Kay N3KN** Craigie -- *(formerly WT3P, congrats on the
new call, Kay!)* — also change her e-mail address to: n3kn@arrl.net

Please show for the HAWKS - **Ann K9RXK** is the new net control!

Please show new call for: **Judy K9XG** Hall -- *she got this when she upgraded to Extra.
year ago - Sony we missed that, Judy!*

Please show a new address for **Maxine N7LTM** Yarborough, 6065 SW 68th Ct.
Portland OR 97223-7563

Please add **Janice NL7NJ** Watkins, 57B Coughlin Rd., North Oxford MA 0153'
508-987-8251 — *don't know how you got missed, Janice, but please do accept my apologies for not
showing you in the 2002 directory — ps. you're already in the 2003 directory!*

Please show **Dee G4VFC's** address as 8 Reeds *(not 41)* and she has a new postal
code: RH13 9DQ

Please show a new e-mail for **Cleo K0JFO** of cleob@neonramp.com

Please show a new e-mail for **Myrtle N2AKC** of n2akc@comcast.net

Please delete reference to **KE3RTP** — *everyone knows Nancy's call is KE4RTP - at least!
do for sure now!*

(Ed. Note: Look for more changes in Issue 1141)

From the Editor

de Carol NV7YL Massie

' Doesn't seem possible, but it's that time again! In reading everyone's columns and articles, there sure was a lot of snow this winter, wasn't there? And, after begging everyone to send some our way (or at least let it drop some on the way east), we, here in the West are finally getting winter - snow, rain, etc., and do we ever need it. Even with the precipitation we're getting we'll still be in a drought status, but not quite as bad as we would have been!

My hats go off to all the District Chairwomen •- their columns are so good!! •• I hope everyone reads all of them! Not Just the one for your district, I mean ALL of them.

Thank you, Betty, for the donation to the scholarship fund -I know the group here appreciates it and they're getting a big kick out of the 'stuffing parties.' We even have a few OMs that join us. Everyone gets Into it - it only takes us now about four hours to do what Bill and I did in three days! Would you believe, I have the next issue (June-July) already on the calendar - and it's not going to be at a YL's house — one of our XYs (Merrily) has volunteered to have it at her place - she says she's too busy to get her license, but she sure helps out whenever she can!

I hope everyone enjoys the pictures in this issue as much as I have getting them and then putting them in - you know, all of this past year and a half has been a learning process - it seems every corner I turn there's something new to learn on computers - and I've been working on and with them for almost fifty years! My how time flies when one's having fun!

This issue's history — Just have to do final artwork and it's off to the printer! See you in Issue #4. 33, Liebe, Bis spdter...aufWiederhbren... CarolNV7YL

The reason so few people are successful is no one has yet found a way for someone to sit down and slide uphill. - W. Clement Stone

Life can only be understood backwards, but must be lived forwards. - Soren Kierkegaard

The way to succeed is never quit. That's it. But really be humble about it. - Alex Haley

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