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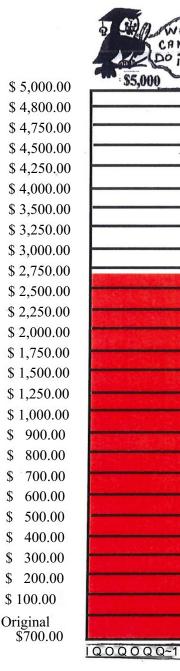
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I HAVE MADE THE SECOND PHONE CALL TO ARRL. STILL NO REPLY. SENT MARY HOBART-K1MMH, ARRL DEVELOP-MENT DIRECTOR, TWO YLRL APPLICATIONS. STATED AMOUNT OF TICKET SALES. I HOPE THIS WILL REMIND THEM OF OUR REQUEST TO MATCH OUR GOAL OF \$5,000.

WHEN I SEND THE \$3,000 TO FAR FOR 2006, THE MONEY MARKET BALANCE WILL NEED YOUR HELP!

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YLRL Certificates

Basic Rules Applicable to All YLRL Certificates

- 1. Contacts made through repeater devices or any other power relay method cannot be used for any YLRL certificate confirmation.
- 2. All contacts must be made FROM the same country.
- 3. DO NOT SEND THE QSL CARDS TO THE CUSTODIAN! Two other amateurs must sign the log verifying that the QSL cards are in the possession of the applicant.
- 4. No charge is made for a certificate, but sufficient postage for fust class mail or a stamped legal-sized envelope must accompany the application to cover the cost of mailing the certificate.
- 5. For the order in which the contacts must be listed, please check the rules for each certificate.
- 6. All inquiries should be addressed to the appropriate custodian.
- 7. Decisions of the custodians regarding interpretations of the rules as here stated or later amended shall be final.
- 8. Certificate custodians and their addresses are listed at the end of this section.

YL Century Club (YLCC)

Available to all licensed radio amateurs. Two-way communications must be established on authorized Amateur bands, with stations, mobile or fixed, operated by 100 different licensed women Amateurs. Tire same YL using different call letters will NOT count. Any and all amateur bands may be used.

Contacts with YLs anywhere in the world are recognized, provided only that confirmations clearly indicate the stations were operated by duly licensed women Amateur Radio operators.

List of claimed contacts, including the full name of the operator, must be alphabetically arranged by LAST name, and also include the call sign, date, band, mode, and RS(T) of each contact.

Endorsements: Confirmations of contacts accompanied by an alphabetical list, as described above, from stations operated by additional YLs may be submitted for credit each time 50 additional confirmations are available.

Endorsements will be made to the original certificate when application is approved. Gold stickers will be awarded to applicants who have worked their additional contacts from the same country; other wise, silver stickers will be awarded.

Contact the YLCC Certificate Custodian if you have any questions.



Well, another Dayton Hamvention has come and gone. It was great to see so many sign-ins at the YLRL/ Buckeye Belle Booth! They YL forum was nicely filled as well.. once I found the room. So many Ladies and so many stories, don't forget to tell them to your District Chairwomen!

Congratulations to Diane, N2DMS and Connie, DF8MN our YLRL member and soon to be member YL forum winners. It was great to see both you ladies there. I enjoyed speaking with each of you.

The Hamvention really psyched me up for the next event, the YLRL 2005 convention being held in my home area of Denver, Colorado. Many of you told me you have already made plans to attend. Don't hesitate to e-mail, phone or write to the above address if you have any questions. You will find you probably don't need to rent a car for the convention itself, but will

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need to if you plan on any nonconvention excursions.

I can't wait to see all of you there. Remember there will also be a General Member meeting on Saturday. This is a great time for you to voice your thoughts and suggestions. Tire YLRL is a member-based group. We want to do what the members want, so now is the time to speak. There will be a tour for the OMs to take during this time.

Join your Hostess Club the Colorado-YLs for Forums, Banquets, Tours, a Hamfest and more. Full details of the event are in your March/ April issue of Harmonics and more details are being put on the website www.ylrl.org all the time.

Summer is a busy time, but it is also a great time for radio! Listen for the Colorado-YLs callsign AC0YL during the convention. Field Day is a great way to get on HF for the first time. Remember YL voices can sometimes make a difference in a pileup as well. Colorado is a great place to see lightning during spring and fall, but there is still plenty of time to get on the air. Flope to see you on the bands this summer as well as in person in Denver!



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Upcoming Events Hamfests, Conventions and More **ALARA CONTEST** SATURDAY, AUGUST 27 2005AT 06:00 HOURS UTC-SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, 2005 AT 11:59 HOURS UTC

SEE PAGES 27-28 FOR MORE DETAILS!

General Rules for YLRL Contests

1. Check to make certain you are sending logs to the CURRENT Vice-President.

2. Logs must be postmarked no later than 30 days after each contest ends. 3. Scoring:

◆Phone and CW contests will be scored separately. Separate logs must be submitted for each contest. *One point is earned for each different station worked on each band. The same station may be worked on

different bands. In the YL-OM contest only, YLs count OMs and OMs count YLs.

◆Multiplier will be the ARRL sections and/or DX countries, whichever is appropriate. Canadian provinces are counted individually. Multipliers are used only once on all bands when figuring the score.

•Contestants running a power output of 100 watts or less on CW and 200 watts PEP or less on SSB, at all times during the contest, earn a power factor of 1.5

•Computation is done by multiplying the points times the multiplier times the power factor.

•For each duplicate contact that is removed from the log by the Vice-President, a penalty of three additional and equal contacts will be exacted.

4. Logs:

◆All logs must show the operator's ARRL section, VE province, or country to qualify for awards. Where applicable, logs must state whether or not the operator is a member of YLRL. For each OSO, logs must also state the power output. If you have 200 or more QSOs, submit a separate log for each band and submit a "dupe" sheet.

◆Please type or print. Do not send carbon copies of logs. Photocopies are OI<.

♦Logs must be signed and show claimed score. No logs will be returned.

Entries in log must also show time, band, date and transmitter power.

5. Exchange: Station worked, QSO number given and received, RS(T) given and received, and section/ province/eountry. Howdy

Days

CW & SSB: 1400 UTC September 14, 2005 to 0200 September 16, 2005

ELIGIBILITY: All licensed women operators throughout the world are invited to participate. PROCEDURE: Call "CQ YL."

OPERATION: All bands and modes of emission may be used. A station may be worked and counted once on each band and mode for QSO points. The maximum power output that may be used at any time during the contest is 750 watts on CW and 1500 watts PEP on SSB. Participants may work only 24 hours of the 36 hours in each contest. Operating breaks must be indicated in the log. RTTY will count as CW.

EXCHANGE: YLRL member or non-YLRL member? Entries in log must also show date, time, band, call or station worked. SCORING: Score two points for each YLRL member worked and one point for each non-YLRL member worked. There are no multipliers.

SUGGESTED FREQUENCIES: Try listening around 7.233,14.288,14.298,21.388,28.433 on voice, basically frequencies ending in 33 or 88. Similarly for CW.

LOGS: All logs must show if operator is a YLRL member or non-member to be eligible for awards. AWARDS: Top scoring YLRL member will receive her choice of a YLRL pin, charm, or stationery. Top scoring non-YLRL member will receive a one-year YLRL membership.

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Youth Column de Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM

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Many ladies in Amateur Radio have shared their thoughts with me about how we (YLs) are outnumbered. While there is no doubt that this is a true statement, I have an encouraging story about how that could change in the future.

At the Dayton Hamvention this past weekend, several activities were geared towards youth, including the youth forum, ARRL Youth Booth, and the newest activity, a Youth Dinner. While the Youth Dinner was a last minute idea, it went very well, with 15 youth present, six of who are YLs!

The idea first came into play when Rebecca Rich, KBOVVT, e-mailed me on the Monday before Dayton, asking if I'd be interested in getting together with several other young hams for dinner in Dayton. In the midst of schoolwork and packing, I neglected to get back to her until late Wednesday evening. I soon found out that I was not the only one up into the wee hours of the morning because we exchanged several emails that night about dinner plans.

We decided to do it Saturday at 5:30 PM, and we originally planned to do it at Olive Garden. I made a flier describing the dinner plans and printed 100 copies. One of the "rules" of the dinner was that parents were welcome to come, but they could not sit with their child; we decided to have a parent table and a youth table. That way, it would be easier for youth to talk about "youth stuff" and parents to talk about "parent stuff."

Upon arriving in Dayton, Ohio, we stumbled across a couple of obstacles. First, we discovered that Olive Garden does not take reservations, so after frantically calling other restaurants, we decided to host it at Ryan's Family Steakhouse. Then, we gave out the fliers and did our best to get the word out about the location change (which was not definite until Saturday).

The dinner was a huge success, and I think everyone had a great time. As we sat down, I couldn't help but notice that we naturally separated ourselves—girls sat at one end of the table, and guys sat at the other. So, the YLs in attendance were able to talk about YL topics, and the OM's could talk about OM stuff. After a picture, several of us stuck around to chat, and the gathering finally wrapped up at about 9:30 PM.

The YLs in attendance were Rebecca Rich, KBOVVT; Becky Delugech; Rebekah Dorff, WG4Y; Emily Bishop, KI4CHK; Christy Simmons, KG4WX0; and myself.

Since it was such a success this year, we're already thinking about next year. So, if you are a young YL, make plans to go to next year's Dayton Youth Dinner. If you're a more experienced YL, rest assured that, if this weekend was any indication, YL involvement in Amateur Radio is in good shape.

As always, please send any news, stories, or photos about young YLs to <u>ylyouth@bellsouth.net_or</u> by the U.S. Postal Service to 2323 Orion Ct. Grayson, GA 30017.



There were a number of YLs attending the Youth Fourm this year YL Harmonics March/April2005



Time sure flies by quickly when there are many things to do! The March/April YLH arrived and it is time to write for May/June. Where do the days go?

Ann - WAIS sent exciting news that she will be a member of the Kure DXpedition team. "From mid September to mid October I will be heading on a DXpedition to Kure Atoll (K7C). Kure Atoll is the northernmost coral Atoll in the world. On Kure, along with ham radio, we will do scientific research. The trip will start out in Honolulu. On September 16th we begin a 6 day journey to Kure Island aboard the Aleutian Beauty. We will spend 18 days on Kure followed by another 6 day journey back to Honolulu. More information can be found on our website at: http://www.cordell.org/ htdocs / KURE /." Prior to the DXpedition, Ann will be at Dayton Hamvention in May

District One News de Anne Manna, WB1ARU

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working at the ICOM booth in Hara Arena and in Denver in August for the YLRL Convention! Ann is going to be on the move with amateur radio this year!

Joanne - KB1FVN wrote, "The news I have to share is that I am doing a presentation with the Department of Public Health's Family Ties division on May 9 at Morton Hospital in Taunton, MA, from 6-9. The entire presentation is on disaster preparation with special needs people in mind. As most of you know, we have a son with Autism. We feel having most of our family members as amateur radio operators is an important way of communication especially when phone, electricity, and cell phone towers are out of order. 911 in New York proved that relying on phone service and electricity for the main plan is not workable. I hope to share the importance of being licensed.

and that it can protect your family from being cut off."

WRONE will hold its Spring Luncheon in Pembroke, MA on April 30. WRONE is celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 2005. There will also be a Fall Luncheon on November 5, continuing the celebration. All licensed YLs and their guests are invited to attend.

My OM Tony - WA1ENO and I have tickets and reservations for Denver. We are planning an extended trip with a few days in Moab, Utah before the Convention, and a few days in Montana afterwards. We are looking forward to seeing more of the natural wonders of our country and many of our ham radio friends. I hope that a lot of you will be there!

Remember that the next deadline for news is the first week of June! 33, Anne WB1ARU

YLRL 2005 Convention information go to <u>www.ylrl.org</u> or check out the March/April issue of YL Harmonics!



District Two News de Myrtle Farnsworth, N2AKC

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Spring arrived in Medford Lakes for a brief time then decided maybe it was a bit early, so back came the snow flakes along with cold winter winds. Luckily that didn't last long, now we are having beautiful weather. Mornings are on the chilly side in the 30s and 40s, and then afternoons are just about as nice as they can be in the 70s. Who could ask for anything more in the middle of April? Oh yes, the middle of April and what does that mean, right. Spring house cleaning, seems to me it wasn't that long ago that we were doing Fall house cleaning. I guess it is always cleaning time no matter what the season all we have to do is get in the mood. I don't know about vou as for me. I am not in that mood. I think I do have an excuse.

I had been in the hospital after quite a lengthy period of being sick in my stomach every day, but I had no pains at all, so after many tests and procedures I had my gall bladder removed. It seems nothing is easy and simple for me, as it turned out I had a mass of stones and one had gotten into the intestine and that complicated matters. However, it was all taken care of and I am now home recuperating. Although I have been receiving mail, I am sorry to say no mail came from 2 land gals with news about what is happening

in their lives. Thankfully some of us get on the air on Friday and Saturday mornings with SAYLARC gals. Since I get can get on Saturday mornings I can at least tell you what is happening with these gals.

Bobbie-AA2JO gets on Friday mornings and can't stay around very long. It seems she is always on the go and is always busy with no time to spare. That is the way she wants it to be just a busy person.

Betty-W2PVS gets on both days despite the fact that she too is busy. Betty does a good bit of traveling, and recently spent time in Vermont with her daughter and sister. Now that she is home, for a while, she is waiting for warm weather to be outside. Her crocuses are blooming and daffodils are sprouting. Betty also has a rose bush she planted in 1960 that is still growing and already has buds. Guess that proves Betty has a green thumb. However, I don't think Betty will be home too long, as Lia-WA2NFY wants Betty to accompany her to Denver and Betty is trying to work something out to do just that, but a family event is scheduled at the same time making it a little hard for Betty. (I'll bet she works something out and ends up in Denver).

Speaking of Lia-WA2NFY, as I already wrote she is making all her plans to go to Denver and also to Germany. The fact that she has been sick and has to take it easy isn't stopping her with her plans to travel. Oh yes, Lia is also planning in attending the Rochester hamfest. We just hope she does not do too much.

Vera-WAIJYO is being a smart lady and not planning on doing too much while she is anxiously awaiting the arrival of summer. She is enjoying the beautiful weather in her area doing some work outside. Even though she still needs a jacket, when the sun is out, so is Vera. In fact she and her sister have been sitting under the pine trees enjoying the spring breezes. Vera says she really enjoys working outside and she has a big bag of bulbs and is anxiously awaiting the time to plant them.

Well, Betty told us her pond had no ice, Minerva WB2JNLsaid her pond is still frozen over. The snow is gone now; still 3 snowmobiles are parked in her yard. Minerva and Len have a very large property with a snow mobile trail that her family and friends really enjoy during the winter. Now that the snow is gone the

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Spring has sprung here in the mountains of South Central Pennsylvania! Makes you feel like getting out there and getting your hands dirty in the garden.

Some good news from this end! My son and granddaughter are back from Iraq! Our prayers were answered and they arrived home in good shape.

More good news.... I am expecting grandchildren #25 in November and #26 in December! Love those little grandbabies!

Some bad news and good news.... bad news is - I had more oral cancer surgery beginning of February and then in March was in the hospital for 10 days for radiation seed therapy. Time will tell if it was effective. Good news is - I am on the mend and beginning to enjoy life again.

Hie REALLY GOOD news is that in between surgery and radiation therapy I made a twelve-day pilgrimage to Assisi/Rome with a group of Franciscans from the local St. Francis University. It was a once-in-a-lifetime experience for me and I gathered much "food" for the journey with Brother Cancer.

Last week my OM Dick W3SYY and I conducted an ARRL/VE test session at the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown. There were 20 candidates and 19 of them

District Three News de Barb Bender, ICA3VXR

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earned a TECH license. Several of them also passed the General written exam and are studying the code. They were all students in the Electrical Engineering Program and it was a very uplifting experience to be in the company of so many fine young men.

There are lots of Hamfests to look forward to.... especially Dayton! Let me hear about your escapades at Dayton. Be sure to check in at the YLRL/Buckeye Belles table and chat with the YLs who will be gathered around having a good time.

Kay Craigie N3KN wrote to let me know she will be speaking at the ARES forum at Dayton this year. Be sure to attend and catch her talk.

Ruthanna WB3CQN has been having a siege lately. She was in the hospital and diagnosed with having Congestive Heart Failure, anemia and coronary artery disease along with her diabetes and high

blood pressure. She then ended up back in the hospital and had a pacemaker inserted. She is doing well and says she WILL be at the YLRL Convention in Denver in August. Now that is what I call dedication to ham radio!!!

Lois WB3EFQ and OM Tom N3BZN had a great time in Florida where they visited Jan WA2YL. Lois learned that one of her DX friends Margaret VK3DML passed away on April 4th after a long illness. She had met Margaret when she and her OM went to New Zealand in 1994 and they spent time at Marilyn ZL2BOA's place.

CONGRATULATIONS to Lois WB3EFQ for winning this year's YL-OM SSB portion of the contest.

Well, not much news this time to report. Remember, this column is for YOU. No news...no column!!!!! Let me know what you all are up to the next few months. Visit any Hamfests? Dayton? How about Field Day? Any and all news is welcome. Photos, too.

Until next time.... Happy Hamming! Barb KA3VXR



Jan, VJA2YL and Lois, WB3EFQ in Florida



Hello to all of you. It is hard to believe that May is almost over. I don't know where the time goes these days.

I would like to thank all of you (especially you Cheryl) for your patience as I get my feet wet as the database manager for YLRL. It has been challenging but fun. If you have any changes to make before the directory issue, please be sure to let your receiving treasurer know and also send me a copy. I would like to get phone numbers and email addresses for as many members as possible. Be sure to note if your phone is unlisted or not.

There is no reports from the 4th area this issue, but I hope to have something to report next issue. I have not been able to make it to the Hamfests this year. I spend most weekends with my elderly parents making sure they are okay.

There is a new member to report in District 4. Thanks to Lois, WB3EFQ for the info.

Janel Ann Hudelson, KF4GQN 429 Hillview Drive Cadiz, KY 42211 Phone: 270-522-7829 Birthday: July 16

Janel holds an amateur Extra license and belongs to the Pennyrile Amateur Radio Society in Hopkinsville, I<Y. 1101 Staley Ave., Opelika, AL 36801 (334) 749-3875 aa4yl@w41ee.com

Being a blind amateur, she enjoys CW and is active on 40 and 80 meters. Janel was endorsed by Ann, K9RXK, who also makes tapes of Harmonics for her.

Welcome Janel!

Cadiz is off of 1-24 east of Paducah, and has a lot of beautiful rolling farmland. I pass through Cadiz on my way to Missouri and South Dakota on my excursions from home here in Alabama.

I hope everyone has a great summer and please let me hear from you ladies in the 4th call area.

33, Cheryl AA4YL

Changes and Coi-rections

As Cheryl said, "Don't forget to make any changes or corrections before August 15th! We need your information for the Directory issue.

If you notice any wrong information or have changes please let your RT or the Database Manager know as soon as possible. Thanks!

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snowmobiles will be replaced with beautiful gardens and flowering fruit trees. More work for Minerva, but she loves the garden and all the fruit trees along with the beautiful birds she feeds. Before she knows it fruit pies will be getting ready for the oven. Can't you just smell and picture all those luscious pies.

Well, ladies on that happy thought of sweet smelling flowers and fruit pies, what better time to end the column. I hope you all stay healthy and happy while enjoying Mothers Day, Memorial Day, and Fathers Day.

Until next time remember. It is nice to be important, but it is more important to be nice.

Bye Now. 33 Myrtle-N2AI<C (<u>N2AKC@comcast.net</u>)



Hello to all from 5 land- by Alma AB5BA: I have been having computer problems again— will take it back to the (computer hospital) tomorrow-Friday- That happens

to be Jim's birth day ■—so I will take him to our favorite place to eat.

So I am trying to get this to go through -so everyone can hear a few notes from 5 land. We have our garden going with 25 tomatoes plants, 10 bellpepper plants— NO we can't use that many ourselves— but we have lots of friends. Jim is doing fair with his (badback) he does have to take a good rest after lunch. We usually get up at 4 AM some hams do like the early groups-HI.

District Five News de Alma Lang, AB5BA

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I will be looking forward to reading all District's news. 33 Alma

Doris writes:

Hi, Alma:

Thought I'd get a few lines off to you for Harmonics. Sure wish conditions were better for the net. I miss hearing everyone well. Andy and I went to the Green Country Hamfest a couple of weeks ago but wasn't much happening that we were interested in. We are looking forward to our high school 65th Class Reunion May 6-8 at Fort Smith, Arkansas. The program looks good, and we will have a breakfast and tour at the University of Arkansas at Ft. Smith. It was a junior college when we attended there.

We are having a ball at the zoo with our two koalas we have borrowed from San Diego for 4 months. Large crowdsmost people have never seen one before.

Our Tulsa Zoo won the contest Microsoft sponsored for America's Favorite Zoo. So we are "America's Favorite Zoo". And we had a big elephant conference this year.

I am receiving my 50-year continuous membership in YLRL this year. Hooray! It's been a long, fun time! I was licensed in 1955.

Hope you and Jim are feeling better.

33, Doris, K5BNQ

Don't forget to send information to your District Chairwoman! Field Day is coming up and is a great time to get on the air. Your District Chairwoman needs your information. YLRL members are what make the columns so exciting. Let us know what is going on in your area. Write into Elmira with questions and thoughts. *YL Harmonics* is YOUR magazine, so we need to hear from you!



Hi From District 6

I have just returned from Dayton Ohio for the 2005 Dayton Hamvention. If you have never attended this convention you should try to do it at least once. My OM and I have gone for the past three years and it is always a treat. The booths both indoor and outdoor (flea market) are just awesome. We flew in on Wednesday to attend the QRP Four Days In May and it was a fun time at the Holiday Inn & Homewood Suites. These Hams are into Low power communication and it is amazing how they can get a radio into an Altoid can. Then to Hara Arena on Friday, Saturday & Sunday. On Friday I helped our friends Chris & Bud Drummon at the Buddipole booth but I did make it to the YLRL Forum and then on Saturday I was able to get away to attend Gordon West "Hidden Antenna's for the Homeowner".

I have also attended the DX Convention in Visalia in April and EMCOMM in Reno in May. EMCOMM is Emergency Training and both were very informative. Check out ARRL magazine for the listing of the convention, Hamfest, etc.

I do want to welcome a new member to YLRL-Carol Whitteberry, KG6TTF. Carol is the VP of the San Joaquin Valley Amateur Radio Society and this

District Six News de Dawn Biocca, KB6LHP

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club is sponsoring a "Harvest Ham Convention" September 16-18, 2005 in Fresno, CA. Isn't it great to have a YL in a VP position of a club?

Well, I do know that I will be attending SJVARS Harvest Ham Convention in September, PacifiCon in October where YLRL will have presence. This hobby is a great way to make new friends. If you are in the area please drop by the YLRL table and say hello. Field Day is just around the corner and I hope you are all going to be on the air. This year I am going to put up a GOTA station. Normally I am the chief cook and bottle washer (cooking mostly) but this year I am going to put

up a station and work it with my friend Judy KF6MBH. Uris is the first time I will be on the air at Field Day. We go up to the High Sierra's and put our antennas in the tall trees and have a wonderful time. I look forward to working some of you this year.

Hope everyone has a wonderful summer and hope to here you on the radio. Mine is finally up and running and I will be checking in to the nets this week. I am also upgrading to Extra so I am busy studying for the test that I will take in October at PacifiCon. 33&73 Dawn, KB6LHP



Dawn, KB6LHP (center) stops at the YLRL /Buckeye Belle booth to chat with Carol, KI8IM and Nancy, KC4IYD.

HAMVENTION 2005 The YL forum and some of the officers!



Diane Schrader, N2DMS zvond the YLRL Member drawing



Left to right are: Carol, KI8IM our 3rd Receiving Treasurer, Carole, WB9RUS our District 9 Chairwoman and Nancy, KC4IYD Past 8th District Chair and past President



Connie Wellner, DF8MN won the YLRL Membership (Nonmember Drawing) at the Forum





Some of the crowd at the Forum

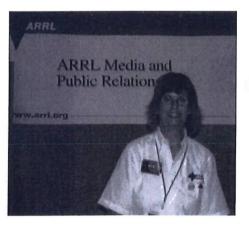
HAMVENTION 2005



Ann Huff, K8CSM, won the first YLRL Scholarship!

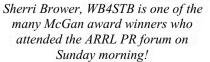
Nancy Rabel Hall, KC4IYD, is a past President of the YLRL





CherylWalter, KC8TDU helps out at the ARRL Expo in the Media and Public Relations booth.







YLS AT THE DAYTON











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HELLO - It's that time again! I'll begin with news from Phyllis, W2GLB/7. In late February Phyllis, and Darleen, WD5FQX sailed on Holland-America's MS Osterdam a new ship, built in 2003, down the Mexican Riviera. She writes: "We stopped at Cabo San Lucas, Mazatlan and Puerta Vallarta. The most memorable side trip was visiting the residence Liz Taylor and Richard Burton bought in Mazatlan. For privacy they bought a house across the narrow street from the original, built a swimming pool and guest rooms, then bridged the street with a walkway. There was no entrance to the second house at street level to avoid paparazzi!" Since returning home Phyllis is buying a house in Richland, Washington, where they lived for twenty years, so she can be nearer her kids. That has been accomplished and now the Mesa house must be shined up to sell. The market is hot and should not be a big problem. "The problem is deciding what to keep and what to give away and what to trash! (Being off the air for several months does not sound like fun, but I do plan to go to the YLRL convention.)" She expects to head for Washington the end of May.

MINOW Net Secretary/ Treasurer Barbara Yasson, AC7UH is adding the finishing touches to the MINOW Letter

District Seven News de Sara Lyon, AB7PS

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with information about the upcoming Annual Meeting the weekend of May 14/15. It will be in Everett, WA this year with Anna Skowronneck, KA7JYA and Kitty Lingafelter, KD7FAS and their OMs as hosts. We will be happy to have Phyllis, W2GLB who is a Charter Member of the MINOW Net back in MINOW (MT, ID, NV, OR & WA) territory again. Flo Reitzel, I<U7F and her OM Irv, KU7E have just moved - their new house is only about 5 miles from the old one but it is all on one floor and has less room. So she is also busy deciding what to keep and what to give away or put in the trash. Good luck!

I'm happy to welcome two of our MINOW Net members to YLRL - Elizabeth, KK7VO and Emily, I<B7L. Recently Elizabeth taught a technician class of 8. When they took the test 7 passed!

The check-ins to Hie Evergreen Intertie YL net have been down recently, partly due to the fact that the Evergreen Intertie, which links Western Washington to Eastern Washington has been down. No one has been able to get up to repair the equipment and antenna because of our April snow - a sort of "second winter". We had our usual table at the Mike and Key Electronic Flea market at the Fairgrounds in Puyallup on the second Saturday in March with 12 YLs signing the log.

Marti Brutcher, W7AYL and Barbara Yasson, AC7UH are hard at work planning the program for the YLRL luncheon at SeaPac on Saturday, June 18th. Hope to see some of you there!

Robin, KJ7BI is back home from her year's stay with her parents in Goa, India. She says, "hamming in India isn't too popular, as it's a wealthy person's pastime...I didn't meet one ham, nor see an antenna the entire year." She says her OM Dick, his brother, and many friends did a great job on remodeling the house while she was away. The antennas won't go back up until the job is completely finished.

Marcie Mathis Stilwell, KC7DAT writes: "I am taking an amazing 60 mile journey to help fund breast cancer research by walking in the 2005 Seattle Breast Cancer 3-Day Walk, July 22 - 24! I am walking: In memory of friends who have not survived; in honor of friends that have survived; and in honor of Melissa Etheridge." You can find out more by checking her web page: http:// www.geocities.com/

walking4mle

PLEASE remember to send your news! What are you doing for Field Day? Don't forget - the 7th District YLRL Kit is available for display at Hamfests! Just drop me a line. Best wishes for a great summer! 33, Sara AB7PS



District Eight News de Carolyn Donner, N8ST

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The Buckeye Belles had their annual meeting on Saturday, April 16,2005 at the Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City, Ohio. Attending were: Jean Blakeslee, WB8FIC; Judith Cerreto, KC8BOM; Esther Creps, N8OMV; Nancy Rabel Hall, KC4IYD; Dawn Jenkins, KC8SON: Joyce Judy, KD8HB; Lois LaFountain, W8FOT; Jean Ruth, KB8YHN; Ruth Silbaugh, W8VWL; Chris Stirling, KC8DJO; and Annette Wood, KC8SQM. Buckeye Beaus: Rolland Creps; Al Jenkins; Ed LaFountain, KD8PTZ; Joseph Silbaugh, W8NGR; Steve Stirling, N8CPA; and Jim Wood. Guest: Carol Hall.

The Belles' newsletter Buckeye Burr is now being distributed electronically through email in .pdf format. Susie Scott, N8CGM is still the editor, and she does a great job too.

The Buckeye Belles are planning to have a picnic at the home of president Jean Ruth, KB8YHN on August 27, which will also be the date of the Ohio QSO party.

At Nancy Hall's (KC4IYD) suggestion they decided to make a donation to the YLRL convention, which will be in Denver in August. Carol Schmitkons, KI8IM and Nancy Hall, KC4IYD have already made reservations for YLRL convention.

"President Jean Ruth, KB8YHN suggested that each attendee tell about her/his

activities outside ham radio. Nancy Hall belongs to a Star Trek group and QRP. Annette Wood does scrap booking and Jim yodels; Dawn belongs to the Star Trek group and Al golfs; Esther Creps is a gardener and Rolland chauffeurs Esther; Chris/Steve Stirling cruised the Caribbean and Chris does stamping; Judy Cerreto makes **ORP** kits, remodels the house, cross stitches, and goes camping; Lois LaFountain was just elected to the presidency of her regional church women's group and takes care of her Siamese cat; Jean Blakeslee went to Pueblo and Vera Cruz, Mexico, for Habitat for Humanity."

Sara Haynes KC8ZMC wrote, "I have made reservations for two at Plain City. Belles annual meeting. Due to the death of my brother approx 4:00 a.m. today, 4/14/05,1 will not be able to attend. Too much to do. Death due to complete coronary shut down after two stents last week and multi clots in another artery."

And my news (Carolyn N8ST), I've been working with a member of the USSJurassic K8SSJ to get our own domain name. This has been an interesting experience for me. I've never bought a domain name before. You can find the club at http://www.ussjurassic.com. By the way, this is the Star Trek club (and amataur radio club)

By the way, this is the Star Tre club (and amateur radio club) that Nancy and Annette mentioned belonging to above. We've given two VE testing sessions so far this year and both resulted in one new "ham" added to our hobby (no YLs though). The OM Gary, I<8BE and I are planning to attend the Dayton Hamvention this year. It will be sort of a test of how well his new knee is doing <grin>. We can't wait. We're also getting things ready for Field Day, which will be held, in our back yard this year.

Well, that's it for this time. Until the next issue, 73 and 88 N8ST Carolyn

Thanks to all the **YLRL** and Buckeye Belle members who helped out at the booth at the Day-•••• ton Hamvention! Gary and Carolyn managed to stop by the booth and say Hi, Thanks also to all the members who stopped by and signed in for both the YLRL and the Buckeye Belles.



District Nine News de Carole Burke, WB9RUS

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As I write this I am recuperating from another weekend at the Dayton Hamvention. The weather was absolutely wonderful this year for a change. It is always such fun to see old friends and make new ones. Among my new friends this year are Ann, WD9JHP, and Diana, KB9NOP. It was so good to see Jan, WA2YL, and Susie, KB9WWO.

Since our son and his family live in Dayton, we get some grandchildren time as a bonus. We started taking our 14-yearold grandson, Sean, to Hamvention when he was 18 months old. He hadn't been there for a few years because of other committments but he was able to join us this year on Saturday. What fun that was.

My most loyal 9-land YL, Dot, N9ALC sent a note of her recent activities. Dot has DXCC on 10-15-20 and needs a few on 40 and 80 but propagation hasn't been too great lately. (Good luck with the 40 and 80 contacts) Her OM, Bob had a very long QSO with a ham in Houston, TX who oversees all the ham operations for NASA including the Shuttle. How exciting is that?

Now that Hamvention is over for another year, the next ham radio event that occupies my time is Field Day. I am always in charge of the hog roast on Saturday night. I even got to operate a little a couple of years ago. Wonder if I'll get to

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Carole, WB9RUS and Jan, WA2YL take a moment to chatat the YLRLIBitckeye Belle Booth at the Dayton Hamvention

this year.

I hope I see some 9-land YIs at convention in Denver is August. I am really looking forward to this. I have had so much fun at the conventions I have been to so I know I will have a great time in Colorado.



Carole, WB9RUS and Cheryl, NOWBVat the YLRL/Buckeye Belle Booth at the Dayton Hamvention

Enjoy the summer ladies and keep those cards and letters coming. 33,

Carole, WB9RUS

Ladies,

Don't forget to make your reservations now for the YLRL Convention August 11-14, 2005. Join Carole, WB9RUS and many of the other YLRL officersas we enjoy forums, tours, banquets and much, much more!

Deadline for registration is June 30, 2005, so don't delay. The Colorado-YLs are looking forward to hosting the convention and can't wait to see you in Denver, Colorado.

Registration forms can be found in the March/April issue of YL Harmonics or by contacting the editor, Cheryl, NOWBV.



District Ten News de Doshia Kretke, KBONAS 7779 Devonshire Way, Boulder, CO 80301-4112

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The Colorado Y-Ls are hard at work getting ready for the convention next August. We hope to see as many of you there as possible! I, personally, am trying to come up with a reasonably decent face-toface QSL card (similar to a thing Girl Scouts know as "swaps")—not so easy for someone as uncrafty as I am. However, the thing is the memories tied to them, right?



The Colorado-YLs at their Annual meeting/Convention Planning session



Do you think he is interested in getting his Ham Radio license?

Mary Cox, KCOMEZ, writes: "I visited Fontainebleau State Park in Mandeville, Louisiana in March. We were camping with my brother-in-law and his family while visiting Louisiana. We had decided to take some of our Ham gear along. The wild life critters were interesting and very curious at night. You never know who may be camping next to you!

The next morning we arose and started to set up the gear. The camp spot had a picnic table so we put the screen tent up around it as it looked like a good place to set up radios. The screen tent was wonderful as it kept out the bugs, raccoons, and provided good shade. Wished I had a seat cushion, as the bench



Mary Cox, KC0MEZ in Louisiana

got really hard! Everything went well in the setup so I was very happy. We only had to make minor adjustments and when I checked into the YLISSB net I got great signal reports. SWRS were also looking OK so I was ready. We decided not to set up six meter beam, as there was plenty to work on HF. I worked the radios most of the day. I worked 23 countries and five states, using ten, fifteen and twenty meters for making contacts. I felt the whole day went very well. I had a great time and can't wait to do this again."

Cheryl Muhr, N0WBV writes that she enjoyed the Hamvention in Dayton again this year and had a great time seeing everyone for an eyeball QSL. She was glad to see so many YLs at the forum and at the YLRL/Buckeye Belle booth. "Thanks to everyone who stoped by and said Hi!"

Happy birthday to Annie, W0ERR: 80 years!



VE News de Elizabeth Anderson, VE7YL 11211 #3 Rd., Richmond, BC V7A 1X3 Canada

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Only 21/2 weeks before I leave to meet Gwen, VK3DYL, in Vanuatu. I think I am at panic level #11! For a month I have been dumping things I want to take on a spare bed and now I'm not sure how I'm going to get it all in ONE suitcase! April, so far, has been wet and cold. Golf mostly rained out - we had better weather in February! Sorry that I will miss the meeting in Iceland and of course our own YL2005 in Parksville. 33 Elizabeth VE7YL

PS My DXCC Honor Roll is mixed SSB and CW so I'm trying to finish both the CW and the SSB separately. I sent off a plea for a card for a CW QSO in 1999 to a SV9/ station - hoping of course that the log was still open. Was I ever surprised and thrilled when I got the QSL card to find that I had worked a YL G7FRE, N2NQI Meg!! Another YL country! -Elizabeth VE7YL

"Spring is here but not the sunshine! Looking forward to our YL2005 Parksville Conference, May 14th on Vancouver Island, B.C. "YLs, from around British Columbia, will be meeting once again for BCYLARA seventh annual conference since 1999. Visit <u>www.ylradio.ca</u> to read about this upcoming conference, as well as, updates on Elizabeth VE7YL and Gwen VK3DYL DXpedition, May 2nd, to Vanuatu and Tonga. They leave for Tonga on May 21st. Listen for both of them on CW and SSB! " 33 Elizabeth VE7TLK. Hi Beth.

Sorry I haven't replied before now. We went to Cuba in January and took 81 other square dancers with us for a week. Stayed at a lovely resort just northeast of Holguin.

"Paradisus (Melia) Rio de Oro". My mother has not been well and we put her into a nursing home 2 days after we got home. Last week she fell and broke her hip. They operated last Friday and put in a pin (I think, not sure), (she's 96yrs old). I've been going to the hospital regularly to see her but she is sleeping most of the time and doesn't know us when she is awake.

My dad (92) is doing fine, still in his own home and looking after himself (he's very active and still drives). I do bookkeeping for my daughter's flower shop and we've just upgraded our computer and accounting program, so they're training me on the new system. I must be getting old, I'm enjoying it but find that there's a lot more to remember. No time at present for radio. Some nights when not dancing. I'm trying to get my code back up. I'm doing 15 to 18 wpm a present. Maybe someday I'll have time to get on the air since I do Eke CW and don't want to loose it.

Spring has finally arrived here and the snow has all gone. We'll soon be complaining about the heat and having to cut grass. We're never satisfied. Oh Well!!

Hope everyone has have a good winter and looking forward to a great summer. I know this is late but we just got home from our dance.

33, Heather, VE3HQH

No Picture available KL7 District News de Lil Marvin, NL7DL 1030 Denali Anchorage, AI< 99501 (907) 277-6741 rlment@alaska.net

The Alaskan District News column will continue in Spring/Summer. Don't forget to send Lil your I<L7 news for the column!

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Lois Smith dropped me a note to let me know that her adoptee, Chizue Yamada, JA1EYL participated in both CW and phone sections of the 33 annual JLRS contest and got 3rd in the CW portion with 25,704 points and 7* place in the SSB section with 4,9350!!! Good going. I got a note from Chizue this week requesting information on the convention, so we may see her in Denver.

I was sad to get an e-mail from Pat Turner, G4HKB, sponsored by Cheryl, Muhr, NOWBV, requesting that her membership be dropped since she is no longer active on the air. Jerry Stonier, K6INK, had previously sponsored her for many years

Anny Jenk, HB9YL sent me a thank you for her membership card. She has been licensed since 1958 and was the first woman licensed in Switzerland. She will be a very young 85 and works mostly CW. Lia Zwack, WA2NFY, sponsors Anny. Don't forget the DXpedition to Vanuatu and Tonga in May and June that Gwen, VK3DYL and Elizabeth, VE7YL

I noticed in the DL-YL INFORMATIONEN the Friedrichshaven Hamfest is June 24-25. I am reminded of the opportunity I had in 1996 to attend the YL meeting there. It is a very nice hamfest, not at all like Dayton.. but a very good experience. Hie Seoul hamfest

DX News & DX Treasurer de Carol Hall, WD8DQG 1520 Kirwan Ln. Belgrade, MT 59714-1891 (406) 388-7031 CHallWD8DQG@msn.com

was only the third hamfest I have attended outside the US. As Hamfests go, they all have one thing in common, used equipment!

My German isn't very good, but it is good enough to read that Christa, DJ1TE and her OM celebrated their 45th Wedding anniversary in April.. .one of these days; my ability to speak German will get better! Ruth, LA6ZH and her OM are celebrating their 55* anniversary. Congratulations!

I received and e-mail this past week from a YL in Turkey. I responded to her enquiry about joining YLRL and if is so inclined, I believe she will be the first licensed YL from Turkey.

This has been a busy spring, well it is trying to be spring. .we had 6 inches of snow yesterday, but it was 65 last Friday and it is supposed to be up in the 60's next Friday. I know that everyone is trying to get things done, taxes, spring cleaning and yard work, but it would help me and the other Receiving Treasurers if everyone could get their dues in so that we wouldn't have checks trickling in all year. I used to wonder why it took so long for my check to clear, but it takes more effort to do one renewal at a time than it does to do 30 or more.

I have received several confirmed reservations for after the convention in August. The local hams have offered to open their homes to those visiting (unless you bring your tent). The schedule of events is: Aug 16, Ouilt shopping for the YLs with lunch at a local shop. Fishing (fly or worm) for the OMs, Aug 17, All day trip to Yellowstone National Park, Dinner at Mamouth Hot Springs Aug 18, Tour to the Museum of the Rockies, and the Headwaters of the Missouri River PM, Western Bar-B-Que with western and blue grass music. Aug 19, Trip to Big Sky ski resort, Spanish Peaks, and Fahy Lake.

For those left on Saturday who desire, we may go to Billings for the Montana State Fair and Rodeo (that's still a ???) The only costs will be a share of the van rental for the tour of the park, and Dinner August 17. in the Park.

Hope you all have your Hotel reservations and YLRL Conventions reservations in! See you in Denver!

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Carol Hall E-mail address: <u>chailwd8dqg@msn.com</u> **P.S. Dues are Past due!!!!**

A late addition to the DX news-Connie Wellner, DF8MN attended the YLRL forum at Hamvention and won the new membership drawing. We are glad to have her as a member and look forward to hearing about the Friedrichshaven Hamfest from her soon.



Continuous Membersship de Cleo Brackett, KOJFO

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Continuous Membership Certificate

This certificate is available ONLY to YLRL members. It is awarded automatically to any YL who has been a member, continuously for five years. Diamond-shaped stickers are awarded for each additional five years of continuous membership. No application is necessary, but if you have any questions, contact the continuous membership certificate custodian. The following received 5 year certificates - GOWTO, Elaine; KD7FLP, Norma; WB6PAH, Anna 10 year stickers - DL3LG, Sigrid; N1JQV, Miriam; N7UG, Joyce; WIMP, Linda; NOWBV, Cheryl; KB8SZI, Peggy 15 year stickers - ICA7BBE, Lois; KF7BY, Josephine; DL2FCA, Rosel; G4KFR, Jasmine; K8TFR, Carolyn; AB5BA, Alma; KB5HEP, Helen; K4OVR, Rose 20 year stickers - OM5FM, Margits; GOCCI, Angelika; K8TFR, Carolyn; DJOGI, Lois; JE1NWB, Yumiko; ICAOBAT, Melba 25 year sticker - KA8IWD, Liselotte; KJ3T, Maria; N9ALC, Dorothy; DF8XU, Margaret; DF4ZX, Isolda; DK6FM, Elfrieda; N1AQQ, Lucy; WD5IMQ, Glenda; NOFT, Lafonne; KI8V, Verline; K5IH, Ilene 30 year sticker - DK1HH, Anita; WA6WZN, Sandi 35 year sticker - W6YZV, Mabie; F5MLE, Monique; K7KCY, Barbara 40 year sticker - K7GAT, Leola 45 year sticker - K7CHA, Bertha 50 year Certificate - K5BNQ, Doris; K6KCI, Irma; KL7ALZ, Geraldine

Congratulations to all of our continuing members!

Changes and corrections

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Treasury Talk

You moved from Florida to Oregon, but kept the 4 in your call...how do you know which Receiving Treasurer to send your dues to for the Young Ladies' Radio League? Send it to the Receiving Treasurer where you reside. Please add the district after your call if needed. Exampe: AA1BB/8 goes to Carol Schmitkons, Receiving Treasurer for Districts 8-10.

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The Receiving Treasurers help keep our records updated as members renew. They are responsible for accepting dues for their particular section. If you have any questions on when to pay your dues or if you are currently paid up, contact your Receiving Treasurer for more information!

Label info is on page 31 of this issue to help you understand your expiration dates and why changes can take so long!



Disbursing Treasurer Linda Hynan, AC5QQ 1312 Western Ridge Dr. Waco, TX 76712 (254) 666-4873 LSHynan@hot.rr.com

The Budget and Finance comitteeChairwoman is an advisor to the president. She also is an advisor to the Disbursing Treasurer. This comittee advises the Board in regard to investing Leage funds. Even they YLRL has to pay bills. The Disbursing Treasurer is the one who keeps us on track and up-to-date monitarily.

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ALARA CONTEST SATURDAY, AUGUST27 2005AT 06:00 HOURS UTC-SUNDAY, AUGUST28, 2005 AT 11:59 HOURS UTC

Please find below the rules for the ALARA Contest for 2005. Please note that there is a special scoring arrangement for this year only to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the founding of ALARA. AUSTRALIAN LADIES? AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION INC.

25TH A.L.A.R.A. CONTEST

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS SINCE THE FOUNDING OF A.L.A.R.A WITH SPECIAL POINTS FOR CONTACTS WITH ORIGINAL A.L.A.R.A MEMBERS

ELIGIBILITY: All licensed operators throughout the world are invited to participate. Also open to SWLs.

OBJECT: Participation: YL works everyone, OMs & Clubs work YLs only. One contest (combined phone and CW) run over 30 hours.

STARTS: Saturday 27th August 2005 at 0600 hours UTC ENDS: Sunday 28th August 2005 at 1159 hours UTC

SUGGESTED FREQUENCIES: Bairds to be used are 3.5, 7,14, 21, and 28 MHz only. The following are suggested frequencies for easier location of contacts:

28.380 to 28.410 21.170 to 21.200 and 21.380 to 21.410 14.250 to 14.280 7.070 to 7.100 3.560 to 3.590

OPERATION:

•Every individual phone or CW contact may be counted.

There must be an interval of greater than 1 hour between contacts with any one station on any one band and in the same mode.

•No net or list operations

■No crossmode operations.

•No c rossband operations.

■ All contacts must be made in accordance with operator and station licence regulations.

PROCEDURE:Phone: Call "CQ ALARA CONTEST" CW: YLs call "CQ TEST ALARA" OMs call "CQ YL"

EXCHANGES: ALARA member: RS or RST, serial no. starting at 001, ALARA member, name. ALARA members who joined before 1980, please advise all your contacts

YL non-member, OM or Club: RS or RST, serial no.starting at 001, name, and whether

Club station.

OMs, Clubs & SWLs work YLs only.

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SCORING:	Phone:	5 points for ALARA member contacted 4 points for YL non-member contacted		
		3 points for OM or Club station contacted		
	CW:	All contacts made on CW count for double points		
	OM, SWL, &	5 points for ALARA member logged		
	CLUB:	4 points for YL non-member logged		
AND	a special for this ye	ar only:		
	CONTACTS W	ITH ALARA MEMBERS WHO JOINED PRIOR TO 1980		
		Multiply the above points by 3		

LOGS: Single log entry. Logs must show date/time UTC, band, mode, callsign worked, report & serial no. sent, report & serial no. received, name of operator of station worked, whether it is a Club station, and points claimed.

LOGS MUST BE SIGNED. Logs also to show full name, callsign and address of operator, and show final score (points claimed). Logs must be legible. No carbon copies. No logs will be returned. Decision of the Contest Manager will be final, and no correspondence will be entered into.

Logs must bereceived by the Contest Manager by: 31st October, 2005.

CONTEST MANAGER: Mrs. Marilyn Syme VK3DMS

99 Magnolia Ave. MILDURA. 3500 VIC. AUSTRALIA

OR: alaracontest@wia.org.au

CERTIFICATES will be awarded for the following:

Top score overall Top score phone only Top score Australian YL CW Top score ALARA member in each country and VI< call area Top score YL non-member in each continent Top score OM in each continent Top score SWL in each continent Top score SWL in each continent Top score VK novice Top score overseas YL CW Top score VI< Club station

TROPHIES will be awarded to the following: Top scoring Australian YL Top scoring DX YL

CLUB STATIONS: Operators of Club stations may use the Club call only for contacts, and MUST identify each contact as with a Club station. Use of personal callsigns while operating as a Club member is not permitted.

New YLRL Members de Lois Gutshall, WB3EFQ-Secretary

RR 1, Box 71, Altoona, PA 16601 <u>loisg@nb.net</u> (814) 924-7334

Members for May I June 2005

New members:

District 6

Carole Whitteberry KG6TTF 5056 N. Glenn Ave., Fresno, CA 93704 Phone: 559 288 7597 E-mail: kg6ttf@amsat.org Birthday: December 21 Carole is a member of the San Joaquin Valley Amateur Radio Society and is employed as a teacher. She has been licensed since 2004 and currently is active on VHF, 2 and 6 meters.

District 4

Janel Ann Hudelson, ICF4GQN 429 Hillview Drive Cadiz, I<Y 42211 Phone: 270-522-7829 Birthday: July 16

Janel holds an amateur Extra license and belongs to the

Pennyrile Amateur Radio Society in Hopkinsville, KY. Being a blind amateur, she enjoys CW and is active on 40 and 80 meters. Janel was endorsed by Ann, K9RXK, who also makes tapes of Harmonics for her.

District 7 Emily Wolfe KB7L PO Box 1241, Ocean Park, WA 98640 Phone: 360-665-0567 E-mail: grammiewolfe@hotmail.com Birthday: February 9 Emily holds an Extra class license and has been licensed since 1977. She participates with ARES and RACES nets, weather net and MINOW net. Says she works mainly HF and 2 meters.

Rejoining members:

District 6 Jean Skinner KD6PLY PO Box 22, Ft. Jones, CA 96032 Phone: 530-468-5280 E-mail: yljean@aol.com

Birthday: Nov 30

Welcome back to Jean who last belonged in 1994. She enjoys emergency services, ARES, RACES and Field Day. Also operates packet. She is a teacher and pre-school administrator.

Alaska

Rose Rybachek KL7FQQ P.O. Box 55698 2370 Old Richardson Hwy, North Pole, AI< 99705 Phone: 907 488 6453 E-mail: kl7fqq@yahoo.com

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District 9

Joan Fox KC9KMA 5544 Clendon Hills Road, Clarendon, IL 60514 Phone: 630-325-8620 E-mail: joanjefox@aol.com **District 10** District 7 soon to be 10 Tami Kuehl W7TMI< 4785 Sunnyside Rd. SE, Salem, OR 97302 E-mail: wOspk@arrl.net Birthday: August 20 Tami currently Eves in Oregon but will be moving to Nebraska in the near future. She has been licensed since 1988 and holds an Extra class license. An active ham, she can be found with local clubs. Field Day, hamfests, VHF, HF and packet. Her packet address is w7tmk@w7oem.or.usa.noam.

Ask Elmira

Your questions and answers to help other YLs

Please write to PO Box 342, Littleton, CO 80160 or send e-mails to <u>nOwbv@earthlink.net</u> with your questions or if you have answers to help! The Editor will pass them on to Elmyra for the column.

Dear Elmira,

Dear Dear JS,

I am a mature gentleman who loves Ham Radio. I am looking to find a YL with the same interests. This is not a joke. I stopped by the YLRL table in Dayton to give them my information. How can I find YLs who share my interest? Women of all ages are interested in Ham Radio. Getting on the air during a YL net or a YL contest and asking for a sked is one way to talk to YLs interested in Ham Radio. As with all hobbies it takes a while to meet people who click.

Ladies if you have any suggestions for JS please sen^ Nem Ask Wimira care of Edilbr at <u>nOwbv(@earthlink.net</u>

Elmira

JS from Hamvention

Membership and Your YL Harmonics Label

Dear Member,

You may be wondering at the expiration date on your mailing label and how it relates to your membership.

•First, dues are considered delinquent after March 31 of the year. This means both your regular dues and the dues of those you sponsor including DX sponsored YLs.

•Second, your label lists the date you are paid through as of the date printed.

•Third, the label may not reflect the most recent payment.

Your payment goes to your Receiving Treasurer, and then she sends the information to the Secretary and the Database Manager. Then the Database Manager sends the labels once every two months to the editor. As with any other magazine subscription, it can take up to eight weeks for changes to be processed. (Thus it can be two issues before you may see the changes.) This time can be increased if your dues are sent to your District Chairwoman or to the wrong Receiving Treasurer. Please check Treasury Talk in this issue if you are unsure who your Receiving Treasurer is.

The eight weeks can also apply to any changes you may have sent in for address changes. We still have a few wrong addresses. Some issues have been sent back due to insufficient addresses or unknown at this address. Please make sure you are current before the Directory Issue is processed. All changes need to be submitted BEFORE August 15, 2005 to make the Directory Issue for 2005. Send changes to the Database Manager.

Thank you for your help in this matter! Sincerely,

The Editor

Missing in Action

Please help us correct these addresses! These members have had their YL Harmonics returned for reasons including: Unknown at this address. Forwarding Order Expired, Insufficient address. Wrong street number or No longer living here. If you know where they are now please let the Database Manager know so we can get their information updated and get them their back issues. We appreciate the help!

Contact Cheryl Whitlock, AA4YL by US mail at: 1101 Staley Ave., Opelika, AL 36801. By e-mail at: <u>aa4yl@w41ee.com</u> or by phone(334) 749-3875. THANKS!

As of the March/April issue we need the following ...

Need correct address for: Chizue Yamada, JA1EYL; Santina Lanza, IT9KXI; Vita Scaglione, IT9LAC; and Magda Van Wyk, ZS6MVW . They were returned with problems . Thanks!

Thanks to everyone who has been sending in changes! It can take 6-8 weeks for changes to get to all the appropriate parties, so thank you for your patience. If you are moving soon, have just moved or are renewing your membership; please fill out another membership form completely so that we don't miss an important address or e-mail change. Tire membership forms are what are used for our Directory issue. THANK YOU for the help!

-The Editor

Convention Transportation

For those of you arriving by plane for the Convention, here are a couple of options to get to the hotel.

RTD (our local bus system) has a route that goes through the Denver Tech Center. It is a typical bus fare and seniors get a discount.

You can also us the Super Shuttle they have a 1-800 number to make reservations and go to many hotels in the Denver Tech Center including our Convention Hotel. We have a convention coupon that you can get me to e-mail you or you will find soon on the YLRL website that brings the roundtrip fare to \$30.00 US.

Call them at 1-800 -525-3177

Taxis and Limos will be more expensive, but you can share them.

The best driving route from DIA-Denver International Airport (yourself or by Taxi) is actually down E470 our toll road. The total in tolls is \$5.00, but it is quick and a less congested route. E470 crosses 1-25 where you would exit and go north on 1-25 to the Orchard Rd. exit and head west toward the mountains. The Hotel is about 1 block west of 1-25 on the north side of the street.

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Note: please make your check or money order payable to **YLRL**, **Inc.** All items are postpaid except for DX airmail. For DX airmail, please add \$10.00 per order. International Postal Money Orders are requested, if possible.

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50 sheets 8 x 11, with 50 #10 envelopes	\$7.50		
25 sheets 8 x 11 with 25 #10 envelopes	\$5.00		
50 sheets 5 x 8 (note size) w/o envelopes	\$3.50		
25 sheets 5 x 8 (note size) w/o envelopes	\$2.00		
YLRL postcards (without postage)	25 postcards \$2.25 or 50 for \$3.75		

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Pins: Silver and Blue enamel or Gold and Blue Enamel	\$5.00
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GIRL-ON -THE-WORLD STICKERS

Color: White

Sweatshirt

Silver with blue girl, 1" diameter				10for\$1.00
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Available in sizes Small (S) to Extra-Extra-Large (XXL). Please print first name and call sign to be embroidered on front. Add \$2.00 for shirt sizes XXL.

\$23.00

Send your orders directly to the YLRL Supplies Chairman: Jan Scheuerman, WA2YL 413 SW 46th Terrace Cape Coral, FL 33914-6466 Email: <u>wa2yl@arrl.net</u>