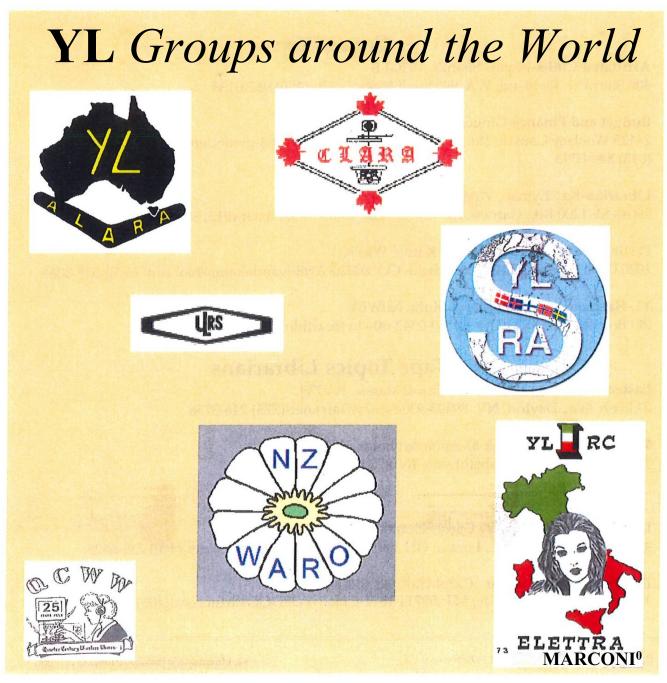


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YLs Thank you again for your help with the 2005 Scholarship drive. "YOU" made it a success.

MarteKØEPE

# Last issue, part of this notice was deleted accidentally. Please reread for full information Treasury Talk

The Receiving Treasurers help keep our records updated as members renew. They are responsible for accepting dues and pass the member information to the Secretary, District Chairwomen and Editor. 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!

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#### **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 first 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 above this section.

#### **DX-YL** Certificate

Available to licensed YL operators only, for working 25 DIFFERENT licensed women operators outside your own country, on or after April 1,1958. USA and possessions are counted as separate countries, as well as Alaska and Hawaii. Any and all amateur bands may be used.

Contact do not have to be with 25 different countries, just 25 different DX YLs.

Tire call used is immaterial, provided it is licensed to the applicant.

The log must show date, time, station worked, frequency, her report, your report, mode, her name and QTH and must be arranged alphabetically by her last name.

Endorsements: Stickers will be awarded for each 10 additional DX YLs, subject to the same confirmation as above.



# Continuous Membership de Dawn Biocca, KB6LHP

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#### **Continuous Membership Certificate**

Hiis 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.

Dawn Biocca is taking over as our Continuous Membership. She and Cleo Bracket are working hard on the switch, look for updates next issue. Congratulations to all of our continuing members!



# President's Message de Mary Moore, WX4MM

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It is an honor for me to be the President of YLRL for the next two years. I look forward to doing my best to increase membership and to promote YLRL whenever and wherever possible.

I really want to encourage all the YLs to participate with their local clubs, Skywam, ARES and RACES groups and be actively involved. The catastrophic events of the past year have emphasized the need for trained amateur radio operators during communications failures. Our threats have increased over the last few years and we owe it to our communities to be a part of the disaster preparedness team. There are numerous courses online that you can take. The ARRL sponsors the Emcomm Levels I. II and III courses and FEMA provides Incident Command System, National Incident Management and the National Response Plan courses on their

website at <u>www.fema.gov.</u> I encourage all of you to take the courses so you will be more prepared in the face of a disaster. Many YLs also mentor the ARRL courses and I commend all of them for giving their time to assist others. Write your DC and share what you are doing with emergency communications organizations.

It seems we have had some sort of contest every other year or so to sign up more YL members. I'd like to do something a little different this year. I am going to donate a very special prize to the YLRL member who is "most radio active" in 2006. Keep a log showing date, time, band, RST, name, and whether the YL you contact is a YLRL member or not, for every YL you contact on the air in 2006. Everything counts, nets, contests, rag chews, but it must be on the air via amateur radio. Each YL counts only once on each band.

On the honor system, at the end of the year, send me your logs of YL contacts (sorted by band please). Hie log showing the most on the air YL contacts will receive the prize. The thought is if you get on the ah' and talk about YLRL it will bring more members into the organization and get more YLs radio active. Don't forget the YL-OM contest in February. This is our most popular contest of the year. See you "on the air". 33, Mary WX4MM



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#### **YL-OM Contest**

CW

1400 UTC February 4, 2006 to 0200 UTC February 6, 2006 Vice President Nancy Rabel Hall, KC4IYD PO Box 775, N. Olmsted, OH 44070-0775 <u>kc4iyd@yahoo.com</u> (440) 327-0334



SSB

1400 UTC February 11, 2006 to 0200 UTC February 13, 2006

#### **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, hr 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:

\*A11 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 QSO, 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 OK.

\*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/ country.

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

PROCEDURE: OMs call "CQ-YL" and YLs call "CQ-OM."

**<u>OPERATION</u>**: See General Rules. Participants may work only 24 hours of the 36 hours in each contest. Operating breaks must be indicated in the log.

**EXCHANGE:** Station worked, QSO number, RS(T), ARRL section, VE province, or country. Entries in log must also show time, band, and date.

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Happy New Year 2005! By now everyone is getting into the swing of winter activities. I hope that YL-OM is on your list. I know I plan to be on the air for as much time as I can.

from several 1 land YLs. Hennie, KA1JVN, wrote, "The trip down was fine. The weather here has been warm. Greetings from Naples." I also received Christmas cards from Betsey, KAI VAX and Marion, KA2ZKM.

Barb, WB1EHS, sent a note too. "We had a major power outage in our county on Thanksgiving Day, and our town was 100% affected by it. It began at 3:15 PM and lasted until 7:50 PM. Fortunately for us, we had had our turkey dinner for our noon meal, and everything was all cleaned up and put away just before that power loss occurred. We had lanterns to light our way, and a battery-powered radio to which we could listen, and ate our supper from paper plates etc. to save on dishwashing, since the pump for the well can't run without that all-important electricity. We always have emergency water stored in bottles, and our gas stove proved its usefulness again!"

Linda, WIMP, keeps me posted about Vermont YLs. "Our little group of Vermont YLs got together for a luncheon at the QTH of Kit Wilson

# **District One News** de Anne Manna, WB1ARU

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WA1WQM. Hosting were Kit & hubby Bob WA1TKH. Our luncheon was held at Wake Robin, the retirement community in Shelburne, VT where Kit & Bob reside. Attending were Just before the holidays I heard Linda Robinson WIMP & hubby Mark N'IMR, Dot Burden KA1LDS & hubby Bill WB1BRE, Julie Cooper KB1APN & hubby Peter KB1AOW. Bob was in great form and we were all happy to see him feeling so well. Sorely missed were Deborah NN1C; Andrea Parker K1WLX & spouse Jim I<1 VII." Linda included a picture of Kit and Bob.

> Linda WIMP also added these notes. "We traveled to Florida to see our 7th grandchild, a boy. Except for surprises it looks like our family is complete. It seems odd that we traveled from snow country to see harmonics living in the sunny south." She and her OM will be assisting a few other hams with communications for the dogsled races held in January in one of the coldest parts of the state. It will be time for heavy-duty long johns. "The organization that runs these races is ecstatic that we've agreed to help. They've tried other alternatives and came back to us when they realized that there was nothing more dependable than a group of cooperating hams."

WRONE held its second 50th Anniversary Luncheon in November. The club was organized in 1955 and has held luncheons twice a year for most years since. Twenty-three members and guests enjoyed a delicious meal at Warren's Lobster House in Kittery, Maine.

One member who was unable to attend was Ann WAIS. She was still getting back to her routine after participating in the Kure Atoll DXpedition. ICOM was a sponsor of the trip and had a picture of the group in recent advertising. Ann looked as though she had spent quite a bit of the time out in the sun!

My OM Tony WA1ENO bought us a new StepIR antenna for 20 to 6 meters. It joined the 10m beam on the top of the tower. We still have a tunable wire for the low bands. I am looking forward to using them for the contests this year. So far we are pleased with the StepIR's performance.

That's it for this time. I hope to hear from others for the next YLH!

33, Anne WB1ARU



Bob and Kit at the luncheon YL Harmonics January/February 2006

# District Two News Currently we do not have a district 2 representative. If you are interested in becoming District 2's Chairwoman, please contact Mary Moore, WX4MM, current YLRL President.

#### YL-OM Contest Information continued from page 7

**SCORING:** (1) Phone and CW will be scored as separate contests. Submit separate logs for each contest. (2) Score each band separately. One point is earned for each different station worked on each band; YLs count only OMs and OMs count only YLs. Add together the QSO points earned for each band. (3) Multiply the number of QSOs by the total number of different ARRL sections, VE provinces, and countries worked. (4) Contestants running with a power output of 100 watts or less on CW and 200 watts PEP or less on SSB, AT ALL TIMES, may multiply the results of 3) above by 1.5 (the low power multiplier). 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.

**LOGS:** All logs must how your ARRL section, province, or country to qualify for awards. For each QSO, logs must show the station worked, QSO number given and received, RS(T) given and received, the ARRL section, VE province, or country of the station worked, time, band, and date. Logs must also state the power output used and the operating breaks taken. If you have 200 or more QSOs, submit a separate log for each band and submit a "dupe" sheet. Remember to file separate logs for each contest. Logs must show claimed score.

**AWARDS:** First place phone: YL-cup, OM-cup. First place CW: YL-cup, OM-cup. The second and third place YL and OM winners in each contest will receive certificates. The winner of the phone contest cup is also eligible to win the CW cup. Certificates will be awarded to the YL and OM phone and YL and OM CW winners of each U.S. and VE call district and country, provided there are at least ten valid contacts on the log.



No information from the I<L7 District this time. If you have information for KL7, please send it to the District Chairwoman at the above address.



# District Three News de Barb Bender, KA3VXR

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Happy 2006 to all 3-land YLs! Hope this New Year brings you all peace and happiness.

I have a few short news items to share with you this issue. Jacqueline Gossselin N3ZEL wrote that she had an update on WACOM (Washington Amateur Communications) and she appreciates the opportunity to let the world know what they are doing.

She sends greetings to everyone and all best wishes for a wonderful safe New Year. At election time both Susan KB3JHQ and she were returned to office. Susan is the Secretary of WACOM based in Washington PA and Jacque is again President. Accompanying are a couple of photos from their Hamfest this past November.



# Susan, KB3JHQ is busy at the YL table.

They had a great response from vendors and attracted several new and large vendors and they had an increase in attendance as well. Hopefully the trend will continue next year, so keep them in mind at the beginning of November 2006. They would love to see the YLRL there.



At the Hamfest from Jacqueline, N3ZEL

Again this year they will be operating from the Washington County Sports Show at the beginning of February with their Special Event call W3C. Licensing classes will be held in the spring again. This year they will be training local hospital employees as well. Their local hospital has installed a radio station for emergency use and other hospitals in the region will shortly follow suit. They are very excited about the coming year as it promises to be both fun and productive.

This is the kind of news I like to report. Congratulations to KB3JHQ and N3ZEL on their re-election as officers of WACOM. I hope it will be possible for Lois WB3EFQ, Sec of YLRL, and me, I<A3 VXR, to attend the WACOM Hamfest in Nov and set up a YLRL table. At this moment in time, we are planning to do so. Hope to see a lot of YLs there. Lois WB3EFQ and her OM, Tom, N3BZN had a great trip to the Black Forest region of Germany several weeks before Christmas. They spent time in several of the Christmas Marts and enjoyed some seasonal music programs. As usual, the food was the highlight, with Black Forest cake and GREAT wursts!

Sylvia W3SLF reported that presently she and her OM Bill W3QXT are leading very sedate lives. Both are in their 80's and they miss being active in ham radio. However they do meet once a month with the Chaverim of Delaware Valley, a radio club that is not only local but also nation-wide. In fact, they are planning another convention in the Catskills in June. Sylvia enjoys reading Harmonics each month and said "those gals responsible for its publication deserve many kudos."

No more news to report this time. So send any and all news about yourselves, your club, along with photos. Nothing is too uninteresting for others to read.

If any of you 3-Land YLs have e-mails that are different than what is printed in the last Directory, please send them to me. I appreciate an updated list.

Till next time...Happy Hamming!

Peace and all good in this bright and shiny New Year! 73/33 de Barb KA3VXR



# District Four News de Cheryl Whitlock, AA4YL

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Due to family illness Cheryl, AA4YL, was unable to write this issue's column. District Four New for Harmonics de Mary Moore, WX4MM

Going to start this column out with a request. We need someone to take the responsibility for the District 4 Chairperson and write this column every other month. It's not hard and it doesn't take long. It's been with the Auburn-Opelika Alabama area for years now and District 4 covers a lot of territory. Come on now, I know there is someone out there willing to do this for YLRL. Let me know if you are the one.

Hurricanes were our biggest news item in the southern part of the country in 2005 and the weather service is forecasting the same thing for 2006. I hope all the hams, YL's and OM's, are preparing to be of service with emergency communications.

> We need to hear from YOU! Members are what make this organization great and we need to hear from you for the columns and articles. If you have ideas for an article or topic to be covered, let me know. Contact me at: <u>nOwbv@earthlmke.net</u> for e-mail, PO Box 342, Littleton, CO 80160for US mail or by phone at (303) 904-2243.

> > Cheryl, NOWBV, Editor

Some southeastern hamfests coming up this quarter (to name a few) are:

Feb 4-5 Miami, FL Feb 10-12 Orlando, FL (always a big one) Feb 18 Sebring, FL Feb 25 Dalton, GA March 18 Marietta, GA Fort Walton Beach, FL Stuart, FL March 25 Jacksonville, FL April 22-23 Mobile, AL I always like to go to meet people and enjoy the ham fellowship, not so much to spend money on new toys. Don't forget the granddaddy

Don't forget the granddaddy of them all May 19-20 Dayton, OH



Best wishes to all!

Jeannine, W5MEW, and her OM Jon are in the process of moving from Streamwood, Illinois, to Alma, Arkansas. They are moving themselves, and they have made many trips back and forth because Jeannine says they are both pack rats. I think most of us can relate to that, because things surely do accumulate as time goes by. Jeannine has a General class license, and she is going to work on her Extra.

Norma, KC5DDO, with the help of her OM Lenny, K5OVC, sent information on the sea travels of Susan W7KFI. Susan has sailed to Hawaii, many other islands and to Mexico on a

# District Five News de Carol Noack, I<I<5L

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32-foot sailing vessel. The story of Susan's adventures is found at <u>http://Zussydharma.net.</u>

Burnette, K5JGC, had a splendid holiday season. All three of their young families came from Katy, Houston and the Hill Country to be with Burnette and T. P. for Thanksgiving and for Christmas. Burnette says they count their blessings, "one by one," and always have Christmas Eve Buffet, worship services at church, followed by more food, cookies galore, eggnog and Santa Claus. Christmas morning all the family attended church and then went on to Katy, where their son and Barb hosted Christmas lunch. All enjoyed

favorite recipes and delicacies, board games and great fellowship.

On February 25 the Orange and Jefferson County Amateur Radio Clubs will team up for their 2006 Hamfest at the VFW Hall in Orange, Texas. During the same weekend, Mardi Gras of Southeast Texas will be held here in Port Arthur.

We had a wonderful Christmas. Our kids and grandkids came from Hawaii, California and Florida, and it was great to have everyone together at the same time.

Thanks to all who sent news. 33, Carol, KK5L

#### PRESS RELEASE FROM G6HZI

Female radio hams often like to have a chat with other ladies on the air - there aren't too many around at the moment though, ladies have reported feeling slightly intimidated when faced with so many male operators and often prefer to sit on the sidelines and become SWL's.

So, here in England, UK we have come up with a groundbreaking new idea - Em IRLP/Echolink Conference Server especially for YL's.

\*UKLOTA\* \* can be found on node 270165 - Echolink and will be home to YL's worldwide. The Conference Server was set up by G6HZI - Linda here in Central England.

Lin has been licensed for 24 years but spent far more time as an SWL than an operator due to raising a family and feeling a little offput by so many males on the air - "I often felt that it would be nice to have a chat with another YL, but there didn't seem many around. I have since learnt that many other YL's feel the same way so, I decided to set up my own Conference Server to help all the YL's feel more confident on the radio," says Lin, G6HZI.

Once the problem was realised, G4LCH (Repeater Keeper/Sysop for GB3DX and England Conference Server - node 7125) was asked to assist with setting up the node, which he has done and the node is now fully operational. \*UI<LOTA\* hope to arrange regular skeds and nets and an interactive website is currently being developed.

For further information, please contact:

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# District Six News de Dawn Biocca, KB6LHP

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Happy Holidays to District Six and to all the YLRL Members. We have had a very busy holiday and with 2006 just starting I think this will be a great year. I have a new position with YLRL and I am excited to get it going. My district is very quiet and so I don't have anything to report in the way of activities. I would like to here from them and I do ask them to forward news to me but they remain silent. One of our members has upgraded her license. Carole Whitteberry KG6TTF has upgraded from Tech to General. Way to go Carole.

Alan, my OM, and I will be heading to Arizona in January to participate in the Quartsite Event. This is new to us and dry camping for a week is also new - hope we have big enough tanks to do the job. There are a lot of activities for the RV'er and they have a large group of HAMs that attend and have their own activities. My OM will be giving a talk on his Pneumatic Antenna Launcher and he is excited about that. The cost for camping is free and it is in the dessert and supposed to be warm so with all the rain we have had here that will be a pleasant change. I will be putting out YLRL brochures and Harmonics for the YLs that attend and we should be getting a few new members.

Ginger, AB6YL writes in: Just wanted to drop you a note to with some news for District 6.

I have been elected president of San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club (SFVARC) for 2006.1 have been the club's executive vice-president for the last 2 years. SFVARC has been experiencing an overall decline in membership (a common problem for clubs these days) but we are also gaining more YL members.

Many of the newer YLs are becoming interested in amateur radio as the result of their involvement with CERT and other emergency organizations.

Hope your holidays were great. I got a gift certificate

for AES from my brother, so I'm a happy camper. I see a new 40/80-meter antenna in my future.

73

Ginger, AB6YL

Ginger also wrote in about an incident in September that shows how quickly an emergency can happen to you.

Marilynn Lutz, AE6FH, was at home in the radio shack with her OM Michael, AD6VC.

They were sitting together talking when he suddenly colasped in what appeared to be a seisure. She immediately dailed 911, determined he wasn't breathing, and began CPR. When the paramedics arrived they needed to shock him 3 times to restart his heart. If she had not known CPR and been able to acting quickly he would not be with us today.

(Thankfully the situation turned out positive! -Editor)

Hope that all of you have a great 2006 and I will be talking to you on the air.

33 & 73 Dawn, KB6LHP



Hello everyone!

It's January - time to look back on the last months of 2005 and to make plans for a brand new year.

Barbara Yasson AC7UH of the Two Rivers YL Net commented that November and December were real no-news months. She writes: "I did participate in Clark County's annual food drive again this year, December 3-4. The radio club provides communications support on Saturday, and Sunday we pick up missed bags of food. They were particularly successful this year in getting food, and it is truly gratifying to be able to participate in the event. While there is some cell phone use, radio communications on both days makes an invaluable contribution."

There are 4 or 5 of us in western WA and OR that check into the Friday morning MINOW Net on 75 meters but poor conditions have been making it difficult. Elizabeth Simon KK7VO of Keno, OR (near Klamath Falls) checks in faithfully even though sometimes we can just barely copy each other through the noise. She writes: "I participated with the Klamath Basin Amateur Radio Club in lining up the Snowflake Parade in Klamath

# District Seven News de Sara Lyon, AB7PS

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Falls. This is the largest parade in Klamath Falls and the hams have been lining it up for many years. This year the sponsor changed so there were only 85 or 90 floats instead of 100. It takes 2 hours to get the parade lined up so we got there at 5 PM (parade starts at 7 PM). I think there were 18 hams and each pair of us got a section to line up. We got to our section to find a float from another section there with no one to move it. This created a traffic problem until we found someone to move the float to the right place. The parade lines up on an industrial street that's about a mile long.so we use our radios to help find people. Also there's usually people trying to find the float they're supposed to be on. It's really nice when the parade starts to move and we can just watch the floats go by."

Phyllis W2GLB is back in Washington and writes: "My latest news here: have a used dipole and get on 20M and am incoming Secretary for the TriCity Amateur Radio Club! (WM7R, Pam, Is again the treasurer - we are the only two regular YLs!" Congratulations Phyllis on promptly getting involved with the local ARC. I know you will be a real asset. The first part of November the Evergreen Intertie added new links and we were happy to have Gabbee KE7ADN from Idaho and a few others from Oregon join us. Then a winter storm in the mountains wrecked an antenna and closed the system down so only a few local YLs in the Puget Sound area and a few with Echo Link were able to check in. However by the time you read this the system should be up and running again. If you can access a repeater that is part of the Kabara system in eastern Washington, Tire Oregon Repeater Linking Group (Central Oregon) or Rogue Valley Linking Association (Southern Oregon & Northern California) please try to check in at 8 o'clock Monday evenings. This is a work in progress and we need your help to test it out.

Welcome to our new member - Patsy Oliver ICB7DUC of Prescott, AZ. She is secretary of her local club - and welcome back to Jacqueline Ruth Liediky NQ9K. Don't forget to send me your news and be sure to let me know if you would like to borrow the YLRL Kit and distribute brochures at a Hamfest in your area. 73/33 de Sara



# District Eight News de Carolyn Donner, N8ST

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Well the holidays are over and a new year has begun. I wonder what's in store for all of us? I know we'll all be on the radio sometime some contesting, some doing digital modes, some just chatting. Whatever we do, let's get on the air as much as possible. Here's what the YLs in the 8th call district have been up to lately, both on and off the air. Connie N8IO reports, "We were in Maryland at our daughter's for Christmas. I found out that a blind ham had moved to Frostburg, MD from Hyattsville and he did not have any way to get his antenna up to get back on the air. Soooo, I got in touch with a ham that promised to get a crew over to Frostburg to get him back on the air. He is/was very active in traffic nets as a TCC rep, all MD nets as well as nets in WV, OH, PA, VA and many others areas. On the way back home. I stopped in Frostburg to meet him, his YL, and daughter. The little girl showed me all of her Christmas presents then sat down and drew me a picture of 'Donald Duck' so I now have a souvenir. We all are looking for him back on the air very soon. We had good weather both going and coming back home but had to give my new car a bath as I had salt clear up on the back window of the car. 33 and Teddy Bear Hugs till the next time!"

Grace N8NJT (President of the TASYLs) reports, "The Auto State Young Ladies celebrated their 40th anniversary as a YL Amateur Radio group on Oct. 15 at the Delhi Cafe in Holt, Michigan with a very nice banquet. Twenty-eight members and their families enjoyed good food and great fellowship. A highlight of the meeting was to have with us a founding member of the organization, Beverley Stoner, K8ZJU. We enjoyed hearing from Beverley about the very beginnings of this group. Another highlight was to have our ARRL Section Manager, Dale Williams, WA8EFK, give us an inspiring talk and present us with an award in the form of a beautiful plaque recognizing us for 40 years of service. We are looking forward to our next gettogether which will be held in March, 2006 at Marshall, Michigan when our annual meeting will be held."

Nancy KC4IYD/8 and Annette KC8SQM were busy representing the USS JURASSIC (Star Trek and Amateur Radio Club) and showing other Star Trek fans around the NASA Glenn Research Center in Cleveland, OH where Nancy works. Among those attending the presentation on Warp Drive technology and tour was Barb KC8SXM who is also a member of the USS Ohio (Star Trek and Amateur Radio club).

Susie N8CGM sent along the latest issue of the Q-FIVER newsletter of the OH-ICY-IN ARC. Through the newsletter, I found out that Carol WA8YL is net control station for the OH-KY-IN Tech Talk net on January 4 and February 1. Carol will also be hosting a club board meeting in January. Carol also continues to be the corresponding secretary for the club in 2006. Susie will also continue to be the recording secretary and newsletter for 2006. This is an excellent newsletter, too.

As for me N8ST, I'm happy to say we had a great Christmas and are looking forward to a wonderful year ahead. We switched Internet service providers from a cable Internet connection to a DSL connection through the phone company in December and I just got my OM setup to do EchoLink, so if anyone sees him (I<8BE) or me on EchoLink, give us a call. I've only put it on his computer for now, so it will probably be his call that you see, but you can be sure that I'll be around somewhere close to chat with you, so just tell him you want to talk to me and he'll be happy to relinquish his computer for me to chat.

<Grin> Until next time, 73 and 88

Carolyn N8ST

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# District Nine News de Carole Burke, WB9RUS

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As I write this winter is here even though the calendar doesn't say that it is "officially" here. We have had in excess of 15 inches of snow with more on the way in the next day or so. Also Christmas is right around the comer. I will finish my shopping this week, then it will be wrap, wrap, wrap. All seven of our grandchildren will be here so it will be a very chaotic wonderful time.

We had our radio club Christmas party last week and besides a visit from Santa, we had the annual awards presentation. I was presented with an electronic "football" similar to what the President has with him at all times. Since I am the Trustee of the club's repeaters, Al, WB9SSE (my OM) and Jim, K90MA decided The Enforcer, as they refer to me now, should have this. It is a brief case with two red lights, a small yagi (very small) and a LARGE red button. Needless to say, there was a lot of laughter.

But, on a more serious side, yours truly was also presented with the Traveling Fox Hunting award for having the highest score this year. There was a lot of good food and good fellowship.

As you cair probably tell, I have no news to print except my own and that even seems to be slim pickings right now. So, on that note, I will close. I wish for all of you are a Blessed Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa or whatever you may celebrate at this time of year. May the 2006 be a happy, healthy. Peaceful year for all of us.

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Carole, WB9RUS



Carole, WB9RUS is presented with the Traveling Fox Hunting Award.

# Changes and corrections

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Per USPS Christine Martelle, N4XDA PO Box 770463 Ocala, FL 34477-0463

#### **District 6**

Per USPS Roxanna Griggs, K6ELO 525 Nevada St. Sausalito, CA 94965-1613

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Callsign change from KE7DUC to K7DUC. Patsy J. Oliver 952 Rosye View Lane Prescott, AZ, 86301 email: joliver@commspeed.net

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Happy New Year to all you YLs and OMs.

Since each beginning is a good time to consider what we would like do more of, do differently...So,



Many of the Colorado-YLs have Ham Radio Resolutions this year. Including District 10 Chairwoman Doshia, KBONAS at the far right.

Mary, KCOMEZ, who is still unpacking and finding all her ham gear after moving, resolves to try new modes, and be on more frequently.

# District Ten News de Doshia Kretke, ICBONAS

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*Mary, KC0MEZ* Moe, WB0RTF, has a simple, all encompassing goal: to be the best operator she can.



Moe, WB0R.TF

Kathy, KC0QYS, wants to be more active and learn more. Cindy, KC0LWK, in Castle Rock, Colorado, will be more active and learn more. Sharlene, KB0WBT, will be renewing her license, and maybe upgrading to General?



Cheryl working from Grenada as NOWBVIJ3

Cheryl, N0WBV, resolves to get more YLs confirmed on the air and to send off for all those cards I need to earn awards, and of course go on another DXpedition!

And I will be seeing to my equipment (I guess radios don't last forever) and I resolve to 1) find out when and where some of the regular HF nets are and 2) get on them!

Doshia

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 Conference plus the Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> OCARA annual flea market, both to be held in Kelowna, B.C. These two backto-back events will make for a fun amateur radio weekend! So if you plan on visiting the beautiful Okanagan in British Columbia this spring think about joining us. Wishing all of you the very best in 2006! 33 Elizabeth VE7TLK/VA7TK

Welcome to Suzanne and all of our new District Chairwomen. We apprecaite the job you do! You can help your Chairwoman by sending in your Radio news. Pictures are always welcome and you can send articles into the YL-Harmonics Editor as well.



## VE News de Suzanne Snape, VE7IM 6055 Aldergrove Dr.,

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It was a wonderful Christmas season for me. I enjoyed several social gatherings and concerts with friends and neighbors in the Valley. Tor, my faithful, old Border Collie, and I drove south to the city of Victoria to spend time with my children and grandson. Our weatherman promised a green Christmas and was true to his word, which made driving the distance so much less stressful. Christmas morning dawned bright and sunny and we walked for miles on the beach. It was nice to be together and in the fresh air. We returned home to find the house filled with the smell of roasting turkey. M-m-m-m. This year's turkey, after a variety of hot and cold meals, yielded up a won-

derful, aromatic pot of soup that is now residing in my daughter's freezer. I ceremoniously piped the last of its remains out to their bin and then departed for Courtenay and home.

This year, Liam, my grandson, did not return to Courtenay to help me celebrate the New Year. He and his mother and father were invited to a skating party and dinner at the world famous Butchart's Gardens. A most beautiful place at any time of the year and a location that should be on everyone's "I Really Must See" list when they visit Vancouver Island and the City of Victoria.

My thanks to those who sent me their submissions at such a very busy time of the year. I very much appreciate receiving them and it is good to hear your news.

Now that we have well and truly launched ourselves into the New Year (and our own versions of the South Beach diet) I would like to send my very best wishes to you all for a New Year of peace and joy. Some decent propagation would be rather nice too....

33 Suzanne VE7IM

Heather - VE3HOH writes: No news from Ontario at this time. I've not been active on the radio for sometime now. Too many other things are taking priority at this time. Grandkids, parents, housework, square dancing and helping our daughter with her flower shop come first. We do her flower deliveries and I'm also her bookkeeper. I always enjoy hearing what other people are doing. They seem to be a lot busier than I am, and still find time for radio. Oh well, one of these days! Hope everyone had a merry Christmas and 2006 will be a great year for all.

33 Heather VE3HQH

Beth - VE7YL writes: Tire Calgary family came down for Grey Cup in November, our Canadian Football finals, and my first football game in 35 years! I did enjoy. Not much radio activity but have managed to work a couple of new IOTA but have also missed a few with the lack of propagation. Echo Link has filled the communications gap. The weatherman says a green Christmas, which is fine by me -1 will admire the snow on the mountains and enjoy driving without it. No major travel plans for 2006 or DXpeditions but trying to stir up something for 2007! 33 Elizabeth VE7YL

Elizabeth - VE7TLK/VA7TK writes:

Late Fall was a very busy but happy time for our family as two more baby boys were bom last October, making a total of seven beautiful grandchildren four girls and three boys. I hope some of them will become amateur radio operators! I did find time, on behalf of the British Columbia YL Amateur Radio Association (BCYLARA), to reactivate the HF 80M YL Net, which is held, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 03:15 Zulu on 3.748MHz. I had wanted this net to be on or a little above 3.755MHz but found

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### DX News & DX Treasurer de Carol Hall, WD8DQG 1520 Kirwan Ln.

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Another year has passed! I don't know how your year went, but mine was full and wonderful. I've put away 2005 and opened the DX-YL database for 2006. If there are any YLs who would like to sponsor DX YLs, please drop me an e-mail or note.

2006 looks to be as busy a year as 2005 was. I'm looking forward to the International YL conference in Mumbai, India in October. If you haven't made your plans. I'm sure if you check the web site

mumbaiylmeet@yahoogroups.com

I received the following letter from Christine, GM4YMM, sponsored by WO6X...She retired from her nursing job last spring after celebrating her 60th birthday and decided to do some redecorating in her home. Then the celebrated Magnus and Anna's wedding in Cardiff in July. Ken's 4 sisters and husbands and his father came from Norway. Three of my brothers and their wives, nephews and nieces enjoyed the trip to Wales also. They had a glorious sunny day with the bride's family and relatives. They enjoyed barbecues before and after the wedding in Tanya and Mark's garden.

It seemed from her letter that many changes are taking place in their family. She and Ken are taking more trips in the mobile home as well as taking their radio up into the hills. They are YL Harmonics January/February 2006 going to Madeira Island for a fortnight the end of January to celebrate their 40"' wedding anniversary.. .and do some radio.

Mangus & Anna 8.7.05 in Cardiff





The Bridal party and Ken & Christine's 3 grandchildren, Carl, Nicole and Stefan. Nicole was also the flower girl.

I received a note from Ruth, IT9ESZ, stating that the YLIRC had a good year. They went to Germany in June and had a nicely decorated booth. They ran the "Puccini" Award later in the year for the 8<sup>th</sup> year in a row, mostly on 20mtr and 40mtr.

I received a wonderful letter from Hiromi, JJ1CAS. She met with Mio, JR3MVF in Osaka and heard about her fantastic trip to Iceland for SYLARA meeting. Hiromi entered the All Japan Expert Karate-do Championships for the first time after nearly a 25-year absence and received the Gold Medal. I've had the pleasure of seeing her perform, and she is amazing!



Hiromi, JJ1CAS

hr November Unni, LA6RHA visited Japan (Unni is a former Norwegian Women's Judo Champion). Cheryl, N0WBV who was also there for the Asia Pacific DX convention.

I received a letter from Dieuw, PA3CEB, sponsored by VE3MRS and was happy to hear that her health is improved after heart surgery. Her family is very active in the local radio clubs.

A group of JA YLs have scheduled an operation from KH2 and T88 in order to make a pre-study for up coming JLRS 50 year commemorative expedition (2007) to T88. They will operate from KH2 and T88 as follows: I<H2 Jan 17-18,2006 T88 Jan 19-22, 2006

KH2/ own call

T88AO-JR6XIX Nobuko Uchiyama

T88AI-JR6SIW Yoshiki Uchiyama (OM)

T88CY-JA1EYL, Chizue Yamada

T88OP- 7K3EOP, Noriko Tokura

Thank you all for your lovely Christmas cards and news. I know this is going to be a wonderful year.

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Carol, WD8DQG/7

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# New YLRL Members de Lois Gutshall, WB3EFQ-Secretary

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New Members for January/February 2006

Welcome to the following

#### **District 1**

KB1KGG,Arlene Arruda 47 Burt St. Acushnet, MA 02743 email: <u>BLBOMB2@earthlink.net</u> Phone: 508 998-3958 Birthday: December 16 Arlene has been licensed since 2003 and holds a tech license. She runs a 2 meter net on the Dartmooth repeater 147.00 on Tuesday evenings and participates in a YL net on Sunday evenings. Her OM is Raymond KB1EVX

#### **District 2**

ICC2OBS, Jane Tymko 188 Tine Rd. Bartley, NJ 07836 Phone: 973 252 1315 Birthday: October 26 E-mail: jtymkol2@yalroo.com Jane is recently licensed and enjoys contests and CW

#### **District 3**

KE5BHL, Kelly Wade Address Per USPS: 5993 Mcclintock Dr. Cochranton, PA 16314-6631 email: <u>K-W1979@hotmail.com</u> Phone: 814 720-6805 Birthday: July 20 Kelly was licensed in 2004 and is a member of the TriState Amateur radio Club of Mooreland, OK. She can be found on 2 meters and Echolink. Her OM is Thomas KA3KQH **District 6** K6ZYR, Mariea L. Yoacham PO Box 294, 605 Oak St. Etna, CA 96027 Phone: 530-467-5751 Birthday: September 20 Mariea is active on 40 and 80 meters and is a lifetime member of the Golden Bear Net. She belongs to the Scott Valley Amateur Radio Club and is retired. She was sponsored by Ruth Hinkle W6LXL

Virginia M. Rozen N6PBW 11 Verano Foothill Ranch, CA 92610 Phone: 949-830-0579 E-mail: grozen@earthlink.net\_

#### **District** 7

KE7DZX Janice E. Arthur 911 Springfield Dr., Gardnerville, NV 89460 Phone: 775-265-2825 E-mail: artinnv@juno.com Birthday: April 21 Janice is a newly licensed ham and holds a tech license. She participates in the Pony Express net and is joined in the hobby by her OM Roger, hr her retirement she enjoys fly fishing and quilting. She is endorsed by Caroll Massie NV7YL

#### **District 8**

W8HBI Christina Check N8KAY Kayla Check 6203 E. Pleasant Valley Independence, OH 44131 Phone: 216-328-2141 E-mail: <u>tina@2cls.com</u> Birthday: Chris Feb 24 Kayla 5/12 New family members, both hold extra class licenses and belong to the Buckeye Belles.

#### **District 9**

W9LUO Marilyn Gardner 1630 Madison St. Evanston, IL 60202 Phone: 847-866-9159 E-mail: w91uo@arrl.net Birthday: March 26 Marilyn is a very active ham, following the footsteps of her father. She has his call now and is active on nets, foxhunts, ARES, SATERN, Echolink, IRLP and OES. She also teaches tech classes in her area.

#### **District 10**

KC0GMI Joanie Ver Duft 5331 Borrego Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80818 Phone: 719-634-8066 Joanie attended the YLRL convention and it was a pleasure to meet her. She is active with the Pikes Peak Radio Association, Colorado YL?s and is a retired hairdresser. She enjoys crocheting, bowling and sewing when not radioing. Her OM is Jerry AD0A

#### New Members for January/February 2006

Welcome to the following

#### Canada

VE7VPE/VA7PMS ,Paulette Schouten 11426 - 144A Street, Surrey, British Columbia, V3R 7C8 Canada Welcome to Paulette who is being sponsored by Barb KA3VXR

#### Rejoining members: Welcome back to the following;

#### **District 1**

N1VQY Priscilla Richardson 496 Ashmont St. Dorchester, MA 02122 Phone: 617 436-8066 E-mail: nlvqy@juno.com Birthday: September 24 Has been licensed since 1995 and was a member of YLRL but due to family problems had not continued. She is secretary of the Mystic Valley Amateur Radio Group and serves as net control of the Eastern Mass Public Safety Net. Her OM, N1QLS, became a silent key in February of 05. Welcome back.

### District 5

Jacqueline Ruth Liedtky NQ9I< PO Box 1353 Elephant Butte, New Mexico 87935 Phone: 505-744-5095 E-mail: april444@webty.net Birthday: April 24 Welcome back to YLRL. Jacqueline has been licensed 1985 and holds an extra class license. She is a retired teacher and belongs to ARRL and 10-10 International. Her OM James is WA9JMU. Welcome back.

#### WANTED- CHECK-INS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP YL NET!

Uris net meets on the first and third Saturdays of each month (Australia and New Zealand on the Sunday morning following) at 2100 UTC using IRLP reflector 9258 and EchoLink reflector NV-Gate 152566, which are linked together digitally so anyone appearing on one system is linked into the other automatically. The net has been running now for several months and has had YLs and OMs joining in from quite a few places around the world New Zealand, Australia, Canada, USA, England, South Africa and Brazil. Aim ZL3TNT is the net control and invites those wishing more information to contact her on zl3tnt@nzart.org.nz

#### EMMA BERG, W0JUV/AAR7AX, STILL ON THE AIR AT 100

#### from the ARRL Letter as sent in by Carroll Massie, NV7YL

At age 100, ARRL member Emma Berg, W0JUV/AAR7AX, of Lawrence, Kansas, remains active daily in the Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS). Berg achieved centenarian status on Sunday, January 16. The occasion elicited greetings this week from ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, who extended best wishes to Emma Berg and congratulated her on more than four decades as a member of both Army MARS and the ARRL.

"You should be proud of your continuing service to the Military Affiliate

Radio System, which informs us that you have been a member for more than 40 years and remain active on a daily basis," Haynie wrote. "We also were happy to hear that you still write articles for Sunflower Seeds, the Kansas MARS quarterly newsletter. Keep up the good work!"

On the Friday, January 14, MARS net session she always checks into—the last before the weekend of her birthday fellow operators likewise extended birthday wishes. Berg also received a beautiful bouquet from Western Area MARS coordinator James Banks, KK7RV/AAA9W, and from Membership Administrator Martha Smith at Ft Huachuca, Army MARS headquarters in Arizona.

A retired teacher, Emma Berg lives by herself in a Lawrence condominium. She and her late husband George, who was a professor at Haskell Indian Nations University and also a radio amateur, had to give up HF operation when they moved from their farm to deed-restricted quarters in town. Fortunately, the retirement home was within range of a VFIF net. The Bergs had been active in MARS—in Emma's case since 1961.

"She is very spry for her age," said Kansas State MARS Director John Halladay, AAA7KS. "Always

busy—a person we could be

proud to emulate in our own aging." Over the years Berg has served as net control operator on Kansas CW nets and was a first lieutenant in the Civil Air Patrol.

Berg, who edited the Sunflower Seeds newsletter in her younger years—when she was in her 90s—,now pens the publication's "Fun & Relaxation" articles. Her column is described as "a genial collection of aphorisms and witticisms."

The philosophy she expressed in the lead item of her New Year's Day 2005 column may sum up her view of retirement, if not of human existence in general.

"Bread may be the staff of life," she wrote, "but this is no reason anyone's life should be a continual loaf."

Emma Berg certainly has no plans for loafing. She recently renewed her Amateur Radio license for another 10 years. — Contributed by Bill Sexton, N1IN

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#### **District 8**

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**Unable to forward per USPS:** Sallie Townsend, KD7NVZ

### **In Our Thoughts**

### ADAH ELLIOTT, W9RTH A HAM FOR 64 YEARS

By Ann Arnolt, K9RXK

I first met Adali in 1958 when she gave Mike, John and I our novice exams. I had heard much about Adali, W9RTH before I went to her house because she was well known locally, the state as well as the US.

Adah got her ham license in Feb. of 1941. She often told me how she and her husband, Dick, both worked to get their license. The nearest place one could take the FCC exam in those days was in Chicago at the FCC Field Office. The both worked as well as had a family, so everyone had to pile into the family car and make a late night drive to get there and take the code and theory exam.

Adah got her license before Dick and she told me he had built a little CW rig for her and had it ready when she got home the day her Ecense came. One had to wait for the FCC to mail you license and it could be from 8 to 10 weeks before it came, so excitement ran high while one waited, wondering what call they might get. Her first contact was on 160 meters and the ham answering her was a ham located in Indianapolis where the Elliotts lived.

Decembei<sup>-</sup> 7,1941 shut the ham bands down so Adah had to wait until they were open to hams again. Adah was one of the first ladies to join the Young Ladies' Radio League or YLRL. She was instrumental in organizing HAWKS, the Hoosier Amateur Women ldub, which was active over many years and she was one of the net controls for the Indiana Traffic Net and passed many messages in this area.

For a few years she and Dick moved to St. Paul, Minnesota and she had the call WORTH, but got her old call back when she returned to Seymour. It was while they were in St. Paul that Dick died of a heart attack. She came back to a telephone job that she had held before they moved and said that was what ruined her hearing.

Many of the hams around Seymour can thank Adali for helping them get their licenses because she would work with anyone interested. She was a member of the Seymour Radio Club and loved Field Day. Adah would be at Freeman Field helping to set up on Saturday and operated until time for her to go to work. Then about 4 am, she would be back operating until time to quit. She also laughed about incidents that happened like the State Police calling and telling her that she was coming in on their radio. She just lived two blocks from the State Post. Several of the young hams laughed when they heard her coming over the church speakers one Sunday.

Over the years she added QCWA (Quarter Century Wireless Association) to her list of clubs as well as QCWW (Quarter Century Wireless Women). One had to have had their license 25 years before they could belong to that group and she went on to belong to the OOT (Old, Old Times Association) where one had to be a ham for 40 years.

Adah and I went to many ham conventions all over the country and we even made the Dayton Hamvention when it was still held in a downtown hotel as well as several times later.

When Adah moved to Franklin to the Masonic Home, she took her rig with her, had an antenna for 40 meters and checked into the Indiana Traffic net whenever possible. She still held her license arid was proud of W9RTH. When I would go to visit her, she would tell me to remind her when she needed to renew her license.

The Ham community has lost a wonderful Amateur Radio Operator. We'll all miss hearing your call, Adah. Adah was 99 years old.

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