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No contributions to report this issue, but don't forget you don't have to donate in Memoriam. The upcoming Scholarship drive needs you! Currently our Money Market account amount is only \$9,4299.49 and this won't keep the Scholarships going for long. There are 2 scholarships each year and we want to keep them going. Look for more on the account amounts in the envelope with your ballot. As always you can contact Marte, K0EPE for more scholarship information!

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Certificate Custodians

WAS-YL, YLCC, YL-DXCC, WAC-YL. DX-YL are all being handled by our new Certificate Custodian Carolyn Donner, N8ST-PO Box 158, Hammersville, OH 45130-0158 <u>n8st@worldnet.att.net</u> (937) 379-2517

Your YLRL Ballot for Officers will be coining separately from this issue. We need to send it to each Member who is eligible to vote and family members don't get a separate issue of YL-Harmonics. One of the items you will be voting on are proposed certificate changes. While they are fairly minor, the Officers feel this will help streamline the certificates and make them easier to apply for and check. The certificates are also being redone to reflect their award. Below is an idea of what the voting changes will look like with the changes. For more inforamtion contact the Carolyn, N8ST.

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. Mail or e-mail your list of contacts only. DO NOT SEND QSL CARDS TO THE CUSTODIAN! Two other Amateurs must sign the list of contacts verifying that the QSL cards are in the possession of the applicant. In the case of lists submitted by e-mail, the name, callsign, and e-mail address of two Amateurs who verified the list must be submitted with the list (signatures are not required).

4. No charge is made for certificates sent out by e-mail attachment. However, if the applicant would like a printed certificate mailed to them, they MUST send sufficient postage for first class mail or a stamped self-addressed legal-size envelope to cover the cost of mailing the certificate.

5. All certificate applications must include the date, time, callsign, YLs first name, QTH, mode, band, RST given, and RST received. Additional information may be listed in each certificate's rules, as well as the order for the contacts.

6. All inquiries should be addressed to the certificate custodian.

7. Decisions of the custodian regarding interpretations of the rules as here stated or later amended shall be final.

8. The certificate custodian's address and e-mail address is listed in each issue of the YL Harmonics.

9. Each application must include ONLY the amount of contacts needed to receive the certificate or seal. No list containing less than the required contacts will be accepted, and any extra contacts listed will be discarded, but can be resubmitted as part of the correct number of contacts for an endorsement.

10. Each certificate may be applied for by e-mail or postal mail to the certificate custodian.

11. E-mail applicants will receive their certificates as an attachment to an e-mail. The certificate will be sent in .pdf format and can be viewed and printed out using the free Adobe Reader program available for download from http://www.adobe.com

12. Endorsement stickers must be applied for by mail only.

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The winner of my YL Contact contest for 2006 is Rosel Zenker, DL3KWR. She is sponsored into YLRL by KI8IM. I only received 2 logs and to reward each of them I am giving a second place award to Cheryl Muhr, NOWBV. The same contest is running for 2007 and we are halfway through the year already. Next year the logs must be in to me by January 31. Rosel and Cheryl will each receive a YLRL staff shirt with their name and call embroidered on the front. Get on the air and log those YLs. The point of asking if they are YLRL members is to promote YLRL so be sure to ask and tell them about our organization.

I've been doing a lot of catch up work on Continuous Membership this month. W5RZJ, Louisa Sando has been a member since 1947, 60 years. She also wrote the book "CQ YL" which is no longer in print. We have a small number of YLs who are members for 50 years or longer. The certificate numbers are only up to #36 for 50-year certificates. My congratulations to long time members Christa Elksnat, DJ1TE, Mattie Drye, K4CZP, Mary Hadley, K1ADY

President's Letter de Mary Moore, WX4MM

1593 Lee Road, #375, Valley, AL 36854 (334) 745-0962 wx4mm@tm-moore. com and Ruth Rice, K8ARA on achieving that goal. I also want to personally welcome Davina, KE7JOV who is one of our newest members and within the first 2 weeks of membership asked if she could volunteer for one of our committees or write for Harmonics. We need members who are willing to give some of their time to supporting YLRL. Anyone can do it; it doesn't take any special expertise, just a willingness to participate. The more volunteers we have, the less work any one of us has to do to keep the organization alive.

Elections are upon us. Please vote for the candidates of your choice. The officers are always willing to listen to the members and welcome any suggestions or ideas to make our organization grow and prosper.

The Scholarship fund takes donations at any time and for any reason. That is one way to assist the YLs who are continuing their education. There are many ways for you to support the organization and our goals.

We also need to continue our personal education in respect to Emergency Communications. The courses offered by ARRE and FEMA are very informative and a must if we are to participate and assist our communities in disaster preparedness and response. Amateur Radio operators are being called upon by their community leaders to assist in emergency preparedness and we need to be ready to answer that call with as much knowledge and experience as we can provide.

I will be in Dayton this year and there will be a YL Forum Room 5 on Friday at 1315-1415 and the Buckeye Belles will be sharing their booth (#231 same as last year) with YLRL as usual. I am looking forward to it again. Also don't forget to start planning on attending the YLRL Convention in Huntsville, AL August 2008.

This has been a hodge-podge of information this time. I welcome any comments or suggestions, or just a note of hello from any and all YLRL members. Let me know what YLRL can do for you and what you are willing to do for YLRL. Lets keep going strong so all of us can get those 50+ years of membership. 33, de Mary, WX4MM

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Mary Moore, WX4MM YL Harmonics May/June 2007 Ginger Wonderling, AB6YL Page 5 Hello everyone,

Vice President

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Well it was great to see a lot of participation in Nancy Rabel Hall, KC4IYD the YL-OM contest this year. Looking through the logs I noticed several really neat things and want to N. Olmsted, OH 44070-0775 pass them on to you. We had one more log submitkc4iyd@yahoo.com ted than last year so let's keep up that trend. We



had 2 people submit their logs electronically with no problem. Hopefully, that will encourage others to work the contests and submit their logs right after the contest. Congratulation to Victoria SV2KBS who scored 23,688 points! That is quite an achievement.

For this contest we had three YLs from 7 land and three YLs from 10 land work the contest. Unfortunately, there were no logs submitted from anyone in Call Area 2, 4, 5, 6 or 9 and some of you in those areas gave contacts to the OMs who did submit their log. If you are in those call areas, or outside the US, worked this contest and didn't submit a log, you most likely missed out in receiving a certificate. Again, as has been done in the past few years, I was able to provide a certificate to everyone who worked the contest. They came either in 1st, 2nd or 3rd place overall or 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in their call area. I was the only person in 8 land working SSB and I received a 1st place certificate. This is the first time that I've received a 1st place certificate in a YLRL contest and I'm real proud of that! Next time I want it to be you who gets the 1st place certificate.

Only 2 YLs worked the CW/digital mode. Even though CW was eliminated from the US ham exam, it was not eliminated from ham radio. Also, psk31, RTTY, Pactor and other digital modes are still very popular so try making a contact in those mode, it's a lot of fun. One last piece of interesting trivia, while looking through the logs submitted by the 3 OMs, all the YLs they worked, with the exception of 2 that was contacted, submitted a log. That was good to see. So, I hope to hear some of you on the air and hope to get more logs

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С	W Callsign	Points	Total	Contacts	Multipliers		Power
	VE7YL	6486	6486	94	46	1.5	100
	N8ST	270	292.5	15	13	1.5	20
S	SB						
	GM4YMM	2088	2088	58	24	1.5	IK
	SV2KBS*	23688	23688	376	42	1.5	
	KA0BAT	52.5	52.5	7	5	1.5	150
	K0EPE	3700	3700	100	37	1	100
	N0WBV	461	456	19	16	1.5	100
	WB1ARU	14259	14259	194	49	1.5	100
	N1PVT	7623	7623	121	42	1.5	100
	WB3EFQ	6149	9223.5	143	43	1.5	
	KC4IYD	24	24	4	4	1.5	200
	N7IXI	540	540	24	15	1.5	1000
	AP7PS	247.5	247.5	15	11 ·	1.5	
	N7KTY	126	126	12	7	1.5	
	WA8MY*	14040	14040	180	25	1.5	100
	WD9JHP	7693	7693	157	49	1	150
0	MSSB						
	WB0YJT	24	24	4	4	1.5	
	WA1ENO	45	45	6	5	1.5	
	W3BZN	30	30	6	5	1	

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Youth News de Kim Frazier, WX4KIM

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Hello to all!

This past March was a good month in Amateur Radio. At my school we had fifteen students try to get their Amateur Radio license. We have seventeen total that have their license. This is something that we need to happen every month. I hope that those that got their Amateur Radio license will explore the world of Amateur Radio, for it is a great world to explore! This month I really do not have much to say. Due to the school year winding down, I have been particularly busy with my studies. 1

ning on attending the Birmingham Hamfest again this year. I also plan on participating in the Cheaha Challenge bike race by using Amateur Radio to report incidents and such when necessary. Perhaps after tire Hamfest and all, I will be able to have something more interesting to talk about. At least, I sure do hope so. I cannot believe that Field Day is just a couple of months away. Field Day is what I have been looking forward to all year. Field Day is probably my favorite Amateur Radio event. Hopefully this year will even be better than last

year! I love Amateur Radio events. To me, an Amateur Radio event is Amateur Radio in action.

Questions? Comments? Ideas? Please feel free to contact me at <u>ecsdavid@isp.com</u>. I am always open for new ideas. Anything will be greatly appreciated, especially that dealing with youth. I am wanting to interview one of tire younger YLs. I e-mailed someone, but they never replied back. If you know someone that I can interview please let me know. Thank you. 73 and 33,

WX4KIM

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Callsign	Name	Placement	Points	State	Call Area
SV2KBS*	Victoria Panagioutou	1st Place DX YL SSB	23688		
WB1ARU	Anne Manna	1 st place YL SSB	14259	MA	1
WA8MY*	Amy Pender	2 nd Place YL SSB	14040	MI	8
WB3EFQ	Lois Gutshall	3 rd Place YL SSB	9223.5	PA	3
WD9JHP	Ann Berg	Is' Place 9th CALL AREA	7693	IL	9
N1PVT	Jane Oliver	2 nd Place 1 st CALL AREA	7623	MA	1
K0EPE	Marte Wessel	Is' Place 10th CALL AREA	3700	KS	10
GM4YMM	Christine Dons	2 nd Place DX YLSSB	2088		
N7IXI	Kelly Larkins	1st Place 7th CALL AREA	540	OR	7
N0WBV	Cheryl Muhr	2 nd Place 10 th CALL AREA	456	CO	10
AP7PS	Sara Lyon	2 nd Place 7 th CALL AREA	247.5	WA	7
N7KTY	Lory Jepsen	3rd Place 7th CALL AREA	126	OR	7
ICA0BAT	Melba Hoss	3 rd Place 10 ^{lh} CALL AREA	52.5	KS	10
KC4IYD	Nancy Hall	1st Place 8th CALL AREA	24	OH	8

*Asterisks refer to electronically received logs.

See the website for more details on electronic submissions.



Well our strange winter/ spring continues with more snow and rain and colder temperatures than anyone wants. The early spring flowers and trees are growing and blooming and the birds are nesting, despite the weather!

Iwent to the Androscoggin Hamfest and Maine State Convention in Lewiston on March 31. VE Exam and Upgrade sessions were a popular part of the event this year. I was invited to make a presentation, my topic was <u>Women in Amateur Radio:</u> <u>YLRL and WRONE</u>. I met several YLs from around Maine and renewed acquaintances with several others. The picture is of 4 of the YLs that attended my session. We shared our stories of how we became involved

District One News de Anne Manna, WB1ARU

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with Amateur Radio and what we enjoy about it. Two of the women had earned their licenses after they were past retirement age and one has been involved with radio since she was a child during World War II. Their stories were entertaining and inspiring. It was very enjoyable to spend a little time with the Maine YLs. Many thanks to Bobbie W1JX and her OM Tom W1QU for helping to staff the YLRL/WRONE table.

WRONE will hold its Spring Luncheon on May 5 at Evelyn's Villa in West Warwick, RI. OMs who attend will go to the New England Wireless and Steam Museum during the meeting. We are looking forward to welcoming Hennie KA1JVN back from her winter in Naples, FL. I coordinated radio communication for the Good Friday Walk in Hingham, MA again this year. I have been involved with this project for more than 28 years, providing radio support for at least 20. Fortunately, there were no serious problems and the weather was dry, even though it was windy and chilly.

That's all the news I have for this time! I hope I hear from some of you before the June deadline for the next issue of YLH.

33, Anne WB1ARU



Left to Right: Gail, N1TCM; Virginia, N1NYV; Arlene, KB1EHN and Dottie, ICBIMFW

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have to plan better for next year. I was particularly disappointed to miss talking in person to Astronaut Bill McArthur, KC5ACR, commander of the International Space Station Expedition 12. He was to be there on Friday just talking to hams. At the last QCWA convention, we listened to a recording of him talking to schoolchildren in Airdrie, Alberta. What a thrill it was for the children and what a great way to interest children in our hobby.

Bare and I were invited to attend an amateur radio club meeting at the University of Toronto on March 19th. I gave a PowerPoint presentation that I called "Amateur Radio: A Woman's Perspective". It was great fun preparing for it and I would like to thank the YLs from this club, who told me about some very interesting YL amateurs. I was able to cover the last 100 years of our hobby without difficulty. We women have been there from the start and many of us are leaders in our area of special interest. The presentation got good coverage in the university newspaper leading the ham club to hope that more students will take their upcoming club course and get a license.

The CLARA 40¹¹' Anniversary Challenge is booming along. I just heard of one YL who already had 80 YL contacts from 39 countries. It's been a long time since I've heard so much YL interest on the air. Keep it up gals!

CLARA is also working on a project to list all Canadian Nets by frequency. The final list will be presented to RAC (Radio Amateurs of Canada) our National Organization in December 2007. I offered to take the lead on this project and am delighted with the response so far.

Finally, please circle July 7th now and come to the Milton Hamfest. Join our CLARA gals in more celebrating. Ontario is a great holiday destination. It's close to Toronto, just off the 401 highway. If you need directions, check in to our 80-metre Net any Monday night on 3.750Mhz beginning at 7 p.m. EDT, or you can reach me at <u>ve3hai@rac.ca</u>. Until next time.....33 de Ann, VE3HAI



District 2 News de Lia Zwaclc, WA2NFY

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It is very quiet here, no news from the 2-land YLs. Nancy, KS2YL, has had trouble with her antenna. I am still waiting to hear from Hanna our Youngster. I guess schoolwork is more important.

My Japanese YL friends are sending lovely cards and news. I wish our YLs would do the same. Chae Do Sook from Korea sent me a beautiful vest. I hope we can show you a picture next issue. I did some skiing, but only too short, walking with 2 sticks is good fore exercise.

Edward, K2MP my helper/ Elmer fixed my TenTec. I try to check on 3938 at 9AM local. Still very much QRM on the frequency. Bobbie Jo really sent a beautiful letter. I wish I had a computer just for letter writing.

At the Oldtimer meeting, K2MP did a VFB job. Oldtimer Night is always great. Anny, HB9YL is waiting to have her Antenna fixed and conditions improve.

Please let me know what you are doing! It looks like we will have a fantastic Lilac time. Greetings to all from, Lia, WA2NFY

The Care and Feeding of your Pet Ham By Laura Sargent

The pet ham is one of the most intelligent of pets. Often seeming almost human, he can also be one of the most difficult to keep. Only a person with a great deal of patience and understanding should attempt to keep a pet ham. The following is a short guide to some of the most important things that you should know about caring for your pet ham.

1. Living area: Your pet ham should have a private area of his own, an entire room if possible, where he will not be disturbed. He will spend many happy hours alone there with his collection of treasures (boxes, wires, bits of metal, glass, paper, plastic, etc.) that he will bring home regularly. He should be encouraged to confine his activities to this nest room in order to protect the rest of the house from his natural tendencies toward noise, clutter and making holes in the walls.

2. **Expenses:** Raising your pet ham can turn into an expensive hobby; but, unlike most pets, the pet ham can be trained to work outside the home for short periods and so bring in enough money to cover part or all of his expenses.

3. **Feeding:** The well-behaved pet ham will be able to eat with the family on occasion, but he usually feels more comfortable and secure if he can take many of his meals in the privacy of his nest room. It will be your responsibility to see that your pet ham is kept well supplied with food and drinks during the long periods of time that he will spend alone in the nest room.

4. Housekeeping: Pet hams can usually be trained to use the family bathroom facilities.

5. **Obedience training:** Most pet hams can be trained to respond to a few simple commands—the easiest for him being "sit" and "speak." Once your pet ham has learned these commands, he will sometimes practice them on his own for hours at a time.

6. **Health care:** The pet ham is especially subject to minor irritations of the lower back and sore throat from too much sitting and speaking. The special CW breed tends to have a tired wrist rather than sore throat, and the RTTY or Packet versions may suffer from red and hurting eyes—depending on Iris age and monitor.

7. **Traveling:** Your pet ham will gladly travel with you in the family car if he is allowed to bring some of the collection from his nest room. His favorite trips will be to places where he can associate with other pet hams from other families.

8. **Breeding:** If you plan to breed your pet ham, you should do so early as possible after you get him (her). As the pet ham matures, he becomes more and more reluctant to engage in any activities not connected with his nest room collection.

(The author is not a ham herself, but she keeps one at home. Published by the Waterway Radio and Cruising Club from *Scuttlebutt* magazine.)



Greetings 3-Land YLs...... Hope Spring has sprung where you are located. As I write this in South Central PA in the middle of April, it is snowing and blowing outside. It's been wintry since Easter.

This is probably the last article I will be writing as 3rd District Chairman for YLRL. I am not running for election again due to health reasons so the next article will introduce your new Chairman to you. I've been your District Chairman since 1998 and I have enjoyed every minute of it. Through YLRL I have met some of the nicest people all over the world. I have enjoyed meeting many YLs at our conventions and got to know many DX YLs.

I have delighted in knowing my four adoptees and through them, learning about their countries and customs: Robyn VK3WX, Australia; Toshiko JP3DPU, Japan; Jackie MOCUR, England and Paulette VE7VPE, Canada. I look forward to many more years of enjoying this exciting hobby with all of you YLs in YLRL.

Jacque N3ZEL wrote, "Back in January I was contacted by Charlene Kayan whose senior project involved getting her Amateur license. She came to our VE session and passed her test handily. Her project includes participating in various ham-related activities, including manning the station at the Sport Show and helping with communications at the St. Patrick's Day Page 10

District Three News de Barb Bender, KA3VXR

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Charlene and her dad Mike, N3TDV at the Sport Shozu

parade in Pittsburgh.

Once again WACOM set up a station at the Washington County Sports Show held in the Washington Crown Center, Washington, PA. We set up an antenna outside in the small parking lot and ran the coax in through an empty storefront. For four days (Feb 8-11) we d=make contacts, discussed ham radio and handed out literature to the folks that came by. We got a couple of new club members and had a number of people expressing interest in our upcoming Technician licensing class in April

February 24th we had a VE session scheduled and had 20 people show up. There were only three paper upgrades, but a number of new Technicians and Generals came out of the session, a little different than we anticipated, not expecting so many folks taking exams. However, we were very happy to have such a successful session."

Jacque N3ZEL also wrote: The "new" news I have is that I went to Tuscany early in March. It was fantastic, beautiful, we couldn't have had better weather. I met up with one of my very best friends (who lives in Idaho and who I haven't seen in person for 17 years, though we are always in touch) for the trip. And I am still working on her to get her license! Nice tour, met lovely people and the Italian folks couldn't have been nicer to us. Did not take a radio along, but certainly wish I could have. Maybe next time!"

Lois WB3EFQ reported that Ruthanna WB3CQN has had quite a winter with health issues but the last she talked to her she was feeling better and anxious to get her swimming pool open and take a dip. Lois WB3EFQ and her OM,

Tom W3BZN, are looking forward to a busy camping season. They have several trips planned including one to Albany NY to visit a refurbished destroyer, the USS Slater and a trip to Washington DC with the grandkids to go to the zoo. She also reported that that one of our new members, Laura KB3NSW, spent a week in Italy with her daughter and was able to operate back to the states through the help of a local ham there. Also, she just upgraded to Extra. She is really excited to get active on the air. Congratulations to you, Laura. (Look for Laura's trip to Italy in the July/August issuel-Editor)

73/33 to all 3-Land YLs. Send news to your new District

Chairman for the next YLH. Barb KA3VXR

Thanks to Barb for doing such a great job as District 3 Chairwoman for so many years! You did a great Job and will be missed so write in!



Hello Everyone,

Now that our I<Y redbud and dogwood winters have passed, we can reclaim spring—at least until blackberry winter drops in!

First, thanks to everyone who sent news. Jan, WA2YL, is recuperating from some recent surgery, and we wish her well. She's looking forward to our convention in Huntsville next year.

After mentioning that genealogy is an interest of mine, I heard from Gloria, KE4JEH, from Leesburg, VA, who shares this interest. She mentioned that she and her hubby used to help with the Red Cross Walkathon on 2 meters, but that cell phones have replaced HTs as the devices of choice by the organizers. We've had such a cell invasion

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everywhere.

Edith, WA4SRD, from Arden, NC, dropped a note to me. She was helping with the N.C. CW Traffic Net, but her 80-meter antenna keeps falling victim to the windstorms. Anyone near her who could help put up a more secure antenna? Meanwhile, she's raising feral cats. Now, I had to look up what feral cats are myself, and found out they are unsocialized, undomesticated cats. Good for you, Edith!

Emily Bishop, W6EMB, in Cleveland, TN writes that she and her dad are converting a pull-type trailer, which usually hauls their motorcycles and 4wheelers, to accommodate ham radio gear. They have installed antenna mounts to the outside of it, put in a fold-away table inside, and plan to use it for emcomm" (emergency communications) activities, as well as Field Day in June. That will have to be enjoyable for that YL.

Now is the time to start planning our Hamfest outings. I hope to make at least two or three this summer. On a personal note, I celebrate my 50th golden anniversary as K4SAF in 2007. I'm very proud of that, and as a gift to myself, an all-red, sexy Vibroplex straight key is being reserved. It's called their "Know Code" model, and mine will be #36. Check it out on their website!

A ham once sent me the essay on page 9, which I want to share with you. It's a gem, as one who's married to a ham, Don, K4GFY. de Carol, K4SAF

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determined yet. If anyone happens to be in the area on that weekend, you are invited to join in on the celebrations. Check the CLARA website at <u>www.clara.comm.sfu.ca for</u> more information. The site will be updated regularly with info as we have it.

CLARA is having a 40th Anniversary Challenge. Idea is to contact 40 different YLs anywhere in the world over the year. This is proving to be a popular challenge and a great way to get more YLs on the air. We are hearing a lot more YLs on the air from everywhere and we already have 10 YLs who have completed the challenge and many more nearing the goal.

CLARA is also in the process of producing a cookbook for their anniversary. One was published for their 10th Anniversary so we thought another one would be appropriate for the 40th Anniversary. As I was going through this T* edition cookbook I was amazed to recognize the callsigns of many ladies who are still on the air today, 30 years later. The response for recipes has just been great. There will even be a section for cooking for your animals. This new cookbook will be available soon. Just check the CLARA website for more information, <u>www.</u> <u>clara.comm.sfu.ca</u> As for our summer plans. We are going to stay home for a change and get some needed renovations done. We have been putting off replacing the outside patio and can no longer do so. That is the biggest summer project, a new patio deck. I will be downsizing my garden. The rabbits are out in full force again and last year I had to replant my garden 3 times because of them. Where are those coyotes when you need them??

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That's it for me. Hope everyone had a great Easter and will have a fabulous summer.

Paulette VE7VPE Surrey, British Columbia

Ann Nutter - VE3HAI writes: Hi to all YLRL members

I do hope you enjoyed the Dayton Hamfest this year. We had planned to go, but something came up and we'll

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Hello to all!

Burnette Boyette, K5JGC, is wondering whether QCWW is still an active chapter. I'm sure there are others who are eligible and would like to join that group. Burnette's OM T. P, K5EYN, had successful cataract surgery in March, and now he is considering having a knee replacement after they attend the Kansas City Mid-America 30th Infantry Division Association Mini Reunion in May and before they motor to National in Raleigh, North Carolina, in September.

Grace Tracy, K5YTT, will fly to Boston for the 50th class reunion at New England Conservatory. Grace still plays oboe and English horn, mostly for church events. Her OM Bob, K5KDN, is involved with Flex Radio, and he will be at that booth in Dayton. Grace and Bob's first great-grandchild arrived in February in Germany, just after grandson Michael returned from duties in Iraq. Michael's sister Tracy is a graduate nurse, and she got married in March. Grace and Bob's son

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Phillip recently retired from the Navy submarine service and is working in San Diego. Phillip is studying for his General license.

Betty Jo Byrd, KB5CSQ, reports that a group of YLs have been meeting in Wiggins, Mississippi. They have decided on the name Southern Mississippi YLs or SMYL. They will start calling nets on the local 2-meter repeater 147.375 + 600 every Thursday night at 7:00 p.m. except the second Thursday when they will have a dinner meeting. The repeater covers nine counties and also has the echo link through KA5VFU-L or N5UCF-L. SMYL has members ranging in age from 30 to 91, and licenses from Tech to Extra with new upgrades on the way. It is not necessary to be a member to check in, so all YLs are welcome. Betty Jo's family is so active in Amateur Radio. Her 10-yearold grandson and 11-year-old granddaughter hold Technician licenses. Other licensed family members are a son, nephew, two brothers-in-law and two sistersin-law. OM Ed, KA5VFU, has been holding Technician classes

with 15 new hams and plans to start a General class soon.

Beth Selman, K7YGV, had a visit from her daughter Cheri, KA5HPI, during spring break. They had a great time going line dancing, to a Red Hat luncheon and doing the hot mineral batli soaks for which Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, is famous.

Alverta Look, K5MIZ, was looking forward to a springtime Neighbor's Nite Out. They have it on a cul-de-sac so there is no traffic, and everyone brings snack food and a chair. Alverta and OM Fred, K5MJA, have a grandson who is graduating in May from Carnegie Mellon in Pittsburgh with degrees in Computer Science and Computer Engineering. He will be employed in Austin, so they will be able to see him more often.

Our daughter Kim lives in Hawaii, and she came for a visit during Easter week. It was so good to have her here. I hope all of you have an enjoyable summer. 33, Carol, KI<5L

Certificate Proposal continued from Center Section

Example: (the callsigns and names below are fictional)
NUMBER DIGITAL MODE DATE CALLSIGN YL'S NAME QTH BAND RST GIVEN RST REC'D
1 PSK31 12-25-99 N8XX Jean MI 10 M 599 599
2 PSK31 1-23-01 DL7XX Maria Germany 20 M 599 589
3 PSK31 02-14-00 KA7XX Janice AZ 10 M 599 599
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(continue until you have 25 contacts all with the same digital mode listed)

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AUSTRALIAN LADIES AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION INC. A0031101B

27TH A.L.A.R.A. CONTEST

NOTE: Contest is always on the last FULL weekend of August.

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 25th August 2007 at 0600 hours UTCENDS:Sunday 26th August 2007 at 1159 hours UTC

SUGGESTED FREQUENCIES: Bands 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 I 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 crossband 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 "CO YL"				

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EXCHANGES: ALARA member:

RS or RST, serial no. starting at 001, ALARA member, name.

SCORING:	Phone: 5 points for ALARA member contacted 4 points for YL non-member contacted		
	CW: OM, SWL, & CLUB:	3 points for OM or Club station contacted All contacts made on CW count for double points 5 points for ALARA member logged 4 points for YL non-member logged	

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.

Sample Log:

Date UTC	Time UTC	Band MHz	Mode	Callsign	RS(T) & Serial No. Sent	RS(T) & Serial No. Red	Name	Points
30/08	0135	28	SSB	VK6DE	59001	58028	Bev	5
	0141	21	CW	VK3KS	599002	599045	Mavis	10
	0600	14	SSB	FK8FA	59025	59011	Aimee	5
	1100	3.5	CW	VK7LUV	599129	599004	Susan	10
	1103	3.5	SSB	VK3BSP	59130	59006	Joe (Club)	3

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 be received by the Contest Manager by: 30th September, 2007.

CONTEST MANAGER: Mrs. Marilyn Syme VK3DMS 99 Magnolia Ave.

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OR: <u>alaracontest@wia.org.au</u>

CERTIFICATES will be awarded for the following:

Top score overall Top score phone only Top score Australian YL CW Top score DX YL Top score ALARA member in each country and VK 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 YL Foundation Licence holder Top score overseas YL CW Top score VK Club station

A TROPHY will be awarded to the following: Top scoring Australian YL Top scoring Foundation Licence Alara Member

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 notpennitted.

PLEASE NOTE: This Contest is always held on the last complete weekend of August.

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Worked All States YL (WAS-YL)

- 1. Available to any licensed Amateur in the world.
- 2. Contact must be made with a duly licensed YL in each of the 50 states in the U.S.
- 3. The District of Columbia may be counted for Maryland.
- 4. There are no time or band limitations.
- 5. In qualifying for this certificate, it is possible to work the SAME YL in each of the 50 states.
- 6. The list of contacts must be arranged alphabetically by state.

Example: (the callsigns and names below are fictional)

STATE DATE CALLSIGN YLName MODE BAND RST GIVEN RSTREC'D

Alabama 3-28-09 WX4XX Maria SSB 20 M 59 59

Alaska 2-15-08 KL7XX Susie CW 15 M 599 599

Arizona 4-23-09 N7XX Leigh SSB 20 M 55 45

Arkansas

California

Colorado

(continue until you have all 50 states listed)

Worked All Continents YL (WAC-YL)

1. Available to any licensed Amateur in the world.

2. Two-way communications must be established on the amateur radio bands with YLs on the six continents: North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia, and Oceania (which includes Australia and New Zealand).

- 3. Any and all authorized Amateur Radio bands may be used.
- 4. Cross-band contacts are permitted.
- 5. Contacts may have been made over any period of time.
- 6. Contacts with all six continents must be made with duly licensed women operators.
- 7. It is not necessary for each contact to be a different YL.
- 8. Submit a list of claimed contacts alphabetically arranged by continent.

Example: (the callsigns and names below are fictional)

CONTINENT DATE CALLSIGN YL'SNAME MODE BAND RSTGIVEN RSTREC'D

AFRICA 01-25-08 ZS5XX Antonia CW 30 M 589 555

ASIA 03-25-09 VS6XX Maria SSB 20 M 58 59

EUROPE 04-23-07 EA7XX Bridget SSB 10 M 57 55

NORTH AMERICA 01-07-09 W8XX Sandy SSB 40 M 59 59

OCEANIA 02-01-10 VK2XX Leigh PSK31 20 M 599 589

SOUTH AMERICA 12-25-08 LU7XX Sophia RTTY 20 M 599 599

YL Century Club (YLCC)

1. Available to any licensed Amateur in the world.

2. Two-way communications must be established on authorized Amateur bands, with stations, mobile or fixed, operated by 100 different licensed women Amateurs.

- 3. The same YL using different call letters will NOT count.
- 4. Any and all amateur bands may be used.

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

6. List of claimed contacts must be arranged alphabetically by call sign.

7. 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.

8. Gold stickers will be awarded to applicants who have worked their additional contacts from the same country; otherwise, silver stickers will be awarded. Please indicate whether you are applying for a gold or silver sticker when submitting your application.

Example: (the callsigns and names below are fictional)

NUMBER CALLSIGN DATE YL'S NAME QTH MODE BAND RST GIVEN RST REC'D

- 1 VK2XX 2-19-09 Mary Australia SSB 20 M 59 58
- 2 N8XX 1-15-96 Carolyn Ohio SSB 15 M 59 59
- 3 DL8XX 10-5-98 Heidi Germany PSK31 10 M 589 599
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(continue until you have 100 different YL's listed)

DX YL

1. Available to licensed YL operators only, for working 25 DIFFERENT licensed women

- operators outside your own country, on or after April 1,1958.
- 2. USA and possessions are counted as separate countries, as well as Alaska and Hawaii.
- 3. Any and all amateur bands may be used.
- 4. Contacts do not have to be with 25 different countries, just 25 different DX YLs.
- 5. The log must be arranged alphabetically by callsign.

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

Example: (the callsigns and names below are fictional)

NUMBER CALLSIGN YL'S NAME DATE QTH MODE BAND RST GIVEN RST REC'D

- 1 DL8XX Heidi 12-25-99 Germany SSB 20 M 59 57
- 2 DL8ZZ Bridget 12-26-98 Germany PSK31 10 M 599 599
- 3 VE7XX Jean 10-31-01 Canada SSB 40 M 59 59

(continue until you have 25 different DX YL's listed)

YL-DXCC

1. Available to any licensed Amateur in the world.

2. Two-way communications must be established on authorized Amateur bands with stations (fixed or mobile), operated by licensed YLs from 100 countries on the current ARRL list of countries.

- 3. Any band or mode (except cross-band contacts) maybe used.
- 4. The log must be arranged alphabetically by country.
- 5. Endorsements: After receiving the certificate, a silver sticker will be awarded for contacts with YLs
- in 25 additional DX countries. List requirements are the same as for the original application.

Example: (the callsigns and names below are fictional)

- NUMBER COUNTRY DATE CALLSI GN YL'S NAME MODE BAND RST GIVEN RST REC'D
- 1 Austria 01-15-02 OE3XX Heidi SSB 20 M 59 59
- 2 Brazil 12-25-99 PY3XX Maria CW 20 M 599 589
- 3 Belgium 11-24-97 ON4XX Bridget SSB 10 M 57 58
- 4 Canada 01-01-09 VE7XX Jean PSK31 40 M 599 599

(continue until you have 100 different DX countries listed)

YL-DIGITAL MODES AWARD

1. Available to any licensed Amateur in the world.

2. Two-way communications must be established on authorized Amateur bands with stations (fixed or mobile), operated by licensed YLs using digital modes only.

3. Contact must be made with 25 YLs using a digital mode (PSI<31, RTTY, CW, SSTV, etc.) All contacts must be made using the same mode.

4. The log must be arranged alphabetically by callsign.

5. Endorsements: After receiving the first certificate, a sticker may be awarded for each additional digital mode in which 25 YL contacts are made. (i.e. If the first 25 contacts were made using PSI<31, an endorsement may be earned for making 25 contacts with YL's using RTTY. An additional endorsement after that may be earned for CW contacts, SSTV contacts, or Hellschreiber contacts, etc.)

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Special Happy Mother's Day to all the Mom's & Grandma's

Here we are getting ready for a busy May. I will be attending EMCOMM West in Reno on May 4-6 then then off to Dayton May 16-20. We tried to have a YLRL Get Together in March but we didn't have enough members who wanted to attend. Maybe in the fall we will try again. Here is something for all you wonderful mom's. When

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you read this just think of all the good thing that have come out of this job. You FAMILY.

Jeanie, WA6UVF, and Mio, JR3MVF, once again participated as invited DX YL operators in their 2nd DXpedition from India within a year. This time Jeanie and Mio operated on Bangaram Island in the Lakshadweep Islands, India. In addition, YL Bharathi, VU2RBI operated from the fourth island, Minicoy Island as VU7MY bringing the total of three YLRL members operating in the DX-Pedition. The VU7RG/VU7MY DX-Pedition combined 33 international operators among four different islands making this large International DXpedition an overwhelming success with over 110,000 contacts made.

Jeanie, WA6UVF looks forward to attending JLRS 50th Anniversary Convention in Tokyo in July.

de. Dawn, KB6LHP

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26 years ago this was not an easy exam. It took me 3 weeks to go through 4 manuals and write out a rough draft of my answers to the 50 questions. I just finished typing in the answers on the test sheet and mailed it to Ottawa, Canada for marking. The passing grade is 90%. The worst part of this is going to be the waiting the 6 weeks to see if I passed. If I did, then I will get a certificate stating that. If I didn't, I can rewrite. The other thing is that they do not tell you your mark. If you get the certificate then you know you got 90+%. So, now the waiting starts and somewhere around May 18th I will get my answer. The reason I decided to write this exam is that I finally decided to join ARES and the next thing I knew I was 'railroaded' in to be an AEC. I also thought after looking on the RAC website (www.rac.ca then go to the RAC-ARES section, if you want) that I would be the first in Saskatchewan to do this. I think there is a YL in Ontario who has passed it but all the rest are OMs. Not that I mind OMs doing it, if they can, so can I. I will let you all know if I pass.

Thanks all for all the wonderful e-mails, they are always welcome.

To those who have loved ones overseas in the conflict, my prayers are with you.

To those who are in the storm centers, again, my prayers are with you.

So, in closing, God Bless one and all and I will let you know what is happening here in Moose Jaw in the next issue of the YL Harmonics. 33 Vai VE5ACJ

Paulette Schouten - VE7VPE (President of CLARA) writes:

Spring has finally sort of arrived here on the Coast. Still plenty of rain but much warmer than the freezing weather Vancouver experienced over the winter. Not that I was here to experience it. We are truly snowbirds now and have fallen in love with Palm Springs, California. Our 3 months there was fabulous but it went by so quickly.

Our return trip home was great. Beautiful weather until we hit Portland, Oregon. Then drizzle rain right until we got home. We even had a snowfall when we got back. So untypical for the end of March here. Didn't stay long, just one day, but still snow in March!!

Unfortunately, as soon as I got back it was right to work. Tax season for me. Now until midnight on April 30th that is what I will be spending my time on. In between all those taxes I do manage to get out and see my horse and get some riding in. But that doesn't happen more than twice a week. Good thing my daughter looks after him when I can't.

Plans have started for the joint BCYLARA Conference and CLARA 40th Anniversary Celebration. The tentative date is the weekend of September 21, 22, 23, 2007. It will be held here in the lower Mainland, location hasn't been

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Hello to everyone!

It looks like spring even though the temperatures are cold. But the trees and plants in my garden are beginning to leaf out and there is more activity in the radio world!

The Evergreen Intertie YLs had our usual table at the Mike & Key ARC annual Swapmeet at the Western Washington Fairgrounds on May 10th. There were 34 YLs who signed our log-in book and our supply of brochures for YLRL disappeared quickly. We gave out complimentary coffee and cookies and collected enough in the donation can to assure that we will have a table again next year. We've had several new YLs check in to the net on Monday evenings.

The MINOW Net is making plans for our annual meeting



Rom left to right: Rachel McGraw & Conner K. Randall, KD7OJQ <u>Mary W7HPA</u>: Elizabeth Simon, KK7VO; Donna Mollan, WB7FDE; <u>Beth Samelson, N7UXV:</u> Joann, KC7LMR: Sara Lyon, <u>AB7PS</u>: Kit Ellis, N7MUS; Kneeling - Tami Bernstein, W6VJH

Those that are underlined are regulars on the Evergreen Intertie Net. Page 18

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and picnic on the weekend of May 19 -20. This year it will be at Long Beach on the Long Beach peninsula in the southwest corner of Washington so we are hoping some of our Oregon MINOWs will join us. You can read all about it in the July / August issue!

Welcome KE7JQV, Davina to YLRL. She writes that she "completed the ARRL Level II Emergency Communication class the first weekend of March. She also attended the 2007 Communications Academy at Seattle Pacific University in Seattle, WA. The academy featured several workshops on emergency communications and Stan Kramer from the ARRL was one the featured speakers." Also welcome to Deborah NN1C to 7 land. She has just recently moved from Vermont to Cody, WY. She not only has a new address but also a new last name as she has taken her husband's surname.

Condolences to Doris "Dee" Chambers WB7ULY whose husband, Ray W7KOS became a silent key on February 20th 'after a long battle with the aftermath of a massive stroke.'

That's it for now. Don't forget the YLRL luncheon on Saturday June 2nd at SeaPac in Seaside, Oregon when Marti W7AYL will do a presentation on EchoLink.

And PLEASE don't forget to send me news of your activities! 33 Sara AB7PS

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took a real, live, warm and relaxing bath from midnight until 2 am. Ah, the college life.

This break, I hope to finish up everything that needs to be readied to offer a Worked All Counties - Illinois award for amateur radio and to apple for graduate school in Linguistics. I've been studying Linguistics for three years now, and it's what I like to do with the rest of my life. Georgetown offers a 5-year Accelerated Masters Program in Linguistics, which would mean I could graduate in 2009 with both a BA and an MS. ILs incredibly tempting, and I will be applying this winter. I'd like to work in Computational Linguistics, which is concerned with the ways that machines can come to better understand and produce human languages - everything from how your query to Google gets processed, to the computers you speak to on help lines, to the way Microsoft Word's grammar spelling checkers works (and know hot to suggest better alternatives). Pamela, KB9SCM

Thank you so much Pamela for helping me fill so many columns, it was invaluable and good luck with the rest of the year and keep us up-dated.

I hope to see a lot of 9-land YL's in Dayton next month. 33, Carole WB9RUS



District Eight News de Jean Ruth, KB8YHN

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Nancy Hall KC4IYD, filling in for Jean KB8YHN submitted this report Hi ladies. week. <Grin> Well, I'll try not

Well this month I didn't get as much news but those who wrote did have a lot to say. Be sure to read Amy WA8MY article.

Carolyn, N8ST wrote: We're starting to get ready for the USS JURASSIC's Field Day here. June is only 2 months away. Looks like we are going to have a good group helping out this year. We're looking forward to seeing Nancy KC4IYD/ 8, Dawn KC8SON, and Annette KC8SOM this year. More about that next time. We've held two VE testing sessions (one in February and one in March) and have one coming up April 21, and another one scheduled for July 7. These have been great testing sessions for us. At the March session everyone who came passed at least one test, so we have one new Technician and 4 new Generals, and not one of them was a YL. I've been trying to get more YLs to either get licensed, or upgrade, but so far no luck.

I haven't had much time on the air lately. I've been working on my dissertation for the Doctor of Ministries degree. My subject and outline have been approved so I've started doing the research. It seems to me that it's talcing a lot of time just to do the research. <Grin> Writing a 150 pages book (minimum) is going to take some time as well ... although my OM said he could do it in a

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to neglect the radio while working on this project. I've been wanting to make contact with more YLs to get back to work on some of the YLRL certificates, but band conditions have just been terrible here. Sometimes I think there is an invisible dome over southern Ohio ... keeping other signals out and our signals in. <Grin> But I know from past experience that isn't the case and band conditions should start improving soon. So hope to hear you all on the air in the near future.

Susie, N8CGM writes that Cincinnati Sound is the new Sweet Adelines International chorus in Cincinnati OH, formed by the merger of Queen City Chorus and 7 Hills Chorus. This brought 2 awardwinning mid-size choruses together as one LARGE chorus (close to 100 members, of which Susie Scott N8CGM is one and the only ham). The new chorus has received extensive performance and vocal coaching, and hopes to do well in the Region 4 contest coming up on April 21. (Quartet contest April 20.) The victor in the chorus contest will represent Region 4 (southern 2/3 of Ohio and Indiana, most of Kentucky, all of West Virginia) in the November 2008 International contest to be held in Honolulu, Hawaii. She also wrote that Carol Hugentober WA8YL broke her leg a while

back and will be in rehab for a while. She's reported to be doing well and in good spirits. Once she gets out, she'll move in with her son John Hugentober Jr., KC8MZ and spouse in Lebanon, OH.

News from my end is that on March 16 at approximately 12:15pm, University Schools in Shaker Heights, OH made contact with the astronaut Sunita Williams on the International Space Station using Amateur radio. The school contacted Sunita who was using the ISS call NA1SS for the contact. The NASA Glenn Amateur Radio Club, which I am a president of, helped the school with setting up a station in the school auditorium. We also loaned equipment from antennas, backup radios, cables, etc. which enabled them to make the contact. The contact was only 10 minutes long but 12 students were able to ask 2 questions each. There was a lot of media out there and the auditorium was packed.

Unfortunately, after all this work, I was not able to be present for the contact as I was on a business trip in Huntsville, AL but I was told the contact went well. However, while I was in Huntsville, AL I was able to meet with members of HAYLARC, The Huntsville Area Young Ladies Amateur Radio Club and we discussed past con-

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District Nine News de Carole Burke, WB9RUS

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I should be saying "Happy Spring", but the way it looks outside tonight I feel like saying "Merry Christmas" instead. We are in the middle of a snow storm and it is the middle of April, and we're going to a baseball game tomorrow! Global warming? Bah, humbug!

Now that I've gotten that off my chest. I'll get on with the news. The Fox Hunting season is in full swing again and so far the best our team can do is second place. Maybe May will be a better month of us.

I hope all of you who celebrate Easter had a pleasant day. We had our daughter and her family over for dinner. It was cold and drizzling so we couldn't do an egg hunt outside so the bunny just hid the baskets around the house. I almost thought it was Friday the 13th because I had so many things go wrong while I was trying to prepare dinner. I won't go into all the details, suffice it to say the scalloped potatoes tried to commit suicide when I was putting them in the oven and as a result potatoes and milk were all over the oven and oven door. We did salvage enough for dinner. The ham tried to do the same tiling when putting it in the electric roaster, but I interceded and convinced it that it should be dinner. The asparagus casserole made a minor attempt but it made it to the table in one piece. But.....after dinner. the asparagus took a nose dive out of

the refrigerator when I was putting it away, down the front of my slacks and onto the floor. I have my share of mishaps in the kitchen but this was ridiculous. All I could do was laugh. Let's hope I got it all out of the way in one dinner and the rest of the year's dinners will be event free.

Now to continue with our letter from Pamela, KB9SCM. In brighter news, I am somehow nearing the point where it is necessary to renew my amateur radio license. I earned my Novice class ticket back in February of 1997 - with code, might I add! The news that Morse Code requirements for amateur licenses will be lifted didn't quite surprise me, but it does somewhat bother me..... Mostly because that is the heritage of the hobby, and I don't believe we should overlook it. But that's (thankfully) not my decision to make. It just means that I might be upgrading to an Extra class license sooner than I thought. (Okay, maybe not.) I did get Echolink set up on my computer this summer (Echolink) amounts to Skype for nerds, but man, is it fun!), and my father helped me to set up an actual rig in the corner of my room this year (although I have yet to hear anyone through it; I think there is too much interference from all the electronics, and I'm looking forward to trying to get around that when I return in January). In any case, feel free to call me at any time -1 won't forget to

renew that KB9SCM callsign

But back to the jury duty that was hanging darkly over my head during all of thng... I was able to have the Commission reschedule me for Thursday, December 14"', so that even if I was called for a trial. I would have a full week in which to serve before returning to DC for classes. I was juror # 1. Unfortunately, I had an Arabic final from 4-6 pm on Wednesday the 13th, so I had to leave my dorm that morning at 3 am. I called a shared ride van service- and of course two of the seven people were half an hour late each. I was getting worried for my 6:30 am flight when we hadn't picked up the sixth person by 4:30 (it⁷ s a half-hour drive to the airport), but the woman next to me broached the topic with the driver first - her flight was at 6 am. Thankfully I got to the airport on time (and then nearly missed my flight due to my own stupidity - in order to plug my laptop into the wall and work on the 40 pages of final papers I had due on Friday, I sat one gate away and only looked up at 6:22 am).

Jury duty itself went off fabulously, for all the rigmarole leading up to it. I sat in the lounge all day, working furiously on those same 40 pages, and was never called even for an interview. I e-mailed both papers to my professors on Friday, and

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Greetings to everyone from District 10! We are happy to note that spring is underway; the trees are trying to bloom and the trees are trying to leaf out. We found a new use for antenna poles: holding bird feeders for our early arrivals and the birds



How to thwart the squirrels and help the birds!

that have stayed around all winter. We have finally found a way to hang them that the squirrels have to find something else to eat! In my garden, the weeds are thriving and the peas are poking up their heads. And it might snow tonight (or tomorrow night, or the next night...) That's springtime in the Rockies. We have even had a thunderstorm already, with hail (very unusual for us). Which elicits Cheryl's comments:

Some spring lightning made us rethink getting on the air a few times this year. Usually lightning confines itself to Autumn which is bad enough!

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District Ten News de Doshia Kretlce, KBONAS

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Denver has had some wacky weather with snow, rain and sun bringing the temperatures from 15 degrees F to 68 degrees F in the space of 3 days. As my Mom always asks, "Are you wearing shorts or snow boots?" This has made it a bit hard to get out and work on our dipole. John, I<TOF and I still are toying with putting up some kind of beam, but on a city lot, it isn't the easiest tiring to do. Totally forgot the date of DX-YL to NA-YL and am bummed about that because I was hoping to work on the challenges for this year. Still, last time I entered all I heard was a YL in California. (Colorado can be a bit of a radio black hole on occasions.) I plan on getting back on soon, so hope to hear you on the bands! 33 & 73

Cheryl, N0WBV

Marie, WB0HUC and Sharlene, KB0WBT, have made a trek to Phoenix, driving, to visit each their various families. Marie plans to fly home, Sharlene to drive home with a friend who has wintered in the warmer weather. While there, they plan to play tourist in old Phoenix.

The Colorado YLs had the privilege of hearing the first presentations of three youngsters headed for the youth forum at Dayton at the home of Ellie, N0QCX. All boys this year, they are 10, 12, and 15, with presentations ranging from making antennas to ham radio in the classroom to ARES. The YLs enjoyed eating lunch with them and parents before the presentations.

Hoping every one enjoys Dayton!

33 and 73, Doshia, KB0NAS

THIS JUST IN

For those of you who need Colorado for awards including YL awards check out the Colorado QSO Party. Yes, it is back!

CO CO COdeCOOP-Colorado OSO Party is July 15th! The Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Association is sponsoring the 2007 return of the Colorado QSO Party on July 15th! Mark your calendars now and plan to get on the air and activate one of the 64 Colorado counties and get ready for the pile-up as all stations want to contact you! The party runs from 1200Z July 15 to 0400 July 16 (Sunday the 15th in the U.S.). Operation can be CW, Phone, Digital, or any combination. Operating bands are all HF contesting bands, VHF, and UHF. There will be many awards given for top scorers in several categories. The complete rules and latest party information are at www.ppraa.org/ coop Catch you on the air for COOP!

There are a number of YLs who plan to operate including Cheryl, NOWBV. This is also a great opportunity for chasing counties and grid squares. Good Luck!



Greetings, and 73 to all, ..my name is Kathleen R O'Keefe, KL7KO. I am a General Class Operator with interests in a variety of areas. Currently I operate the Parka Net on 147.30/90, plus shift, 141.3 Hz tone, every Thursday evening at 7pm. I have anywhere from 8 to 25 operators check-in.

I am also the current president of another radio club in town, the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club.

Due to the efforts of several people, a General Class instruction class was recently held in Anchorage and over 17 new General Class operators upgraded. I am including a photo from one of the classes.

Primarily due to the drive and efforts of Heather Hasper, KL7SP, we are increasing interest in the Parka organization in Alaska. *(Ed. Note: Heather is also the District Chair for Alaska. Write in with news!.)*

Alaska District News de Heather Hasper, KL7SP

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Heather Hasper, KL7SP, one of the instructors

In May there is a Hamfest in the Wasilla area and we are already set to have a Parka information table with YLRL information available as well.

Saturday, April 14, was our Parka meeting and we hopefd] to have at least 6 people in attendance, including our technical expert and repair person, Doug Dickenson, KL7IKX. He and Rick Marvin, Lil Marvin's XYM, have maintained the repeater and kept it in operation since the repeater was first installed on Mt. Gordon Lyon, aka the Nike Site.

As more news becomes available and the Parka orga-

nization continues to grow, we hope to be able to provide more information to the YLRL organization. As we are in a down cycle right now, and are in hopes of improving communication efforts with other XYLs in and around Alaska, we hope to bring you news from around the state of Alaska.

Until then, this is Kathleen R. O'Keefe, KL7KO, signing off.



Kathleen, KL7KO this issue's correspondent to Alaska!

Dayton Hamvention 2007

Buckeye Belles and YLRL Booth #231, same as last year. YL Forum Room 5 on Friday at 1315-1415. 1-2 PM Forum topic YL Conventions.

Also speaking-Jeanie WA6UVF, will be attending the DX Forum as she was on the VU7RG Team on Bangaram Island in the Lakshadweep Islands, India in Jan. 2007. Page 22 YL Harmonics May/June 2007



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

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I have been working away at my CLARA 40" Anniversary Challenge and understand that many YLs have completed their first 40 and are now working on their next 40! My goodness! Congratulations to all of you! A great way to celebrate CLARA's 40" year and it is really good to hear all the YL voices checking in to the various Nets. Now, if I could just get propagation to cooperate with me I might contact the Monday YLDX Net and if I could just get my 80-meter dipole reinstalled I might gather more entries for my log. We live and hope on Vancouver Island.

I want to thank all the ^ZVE' members for submitting their contributions to Harmonics throughout the year. It is great to hear from you and to read all about your activities and busy, interesting lives. I very much appreciate hearing from you. If there are any 'VE' members, reading this column, who I have been unable to contact, I encourage you to drop me a note. I could include vour news in future issues of Harmonics. Let's hear from you. Everyone have a safe and happy spring and summer. 33 Suzanne VE7IM Elizabeth Anderson - VE7YL writes:

Trying hard to get my 40 YL contacts for the CLARA 40th Anniversary Challenge but I don't seem to be doing too well. I do have the rest of the year to work on it, though. Still chasing IOTA - have missed a few recent ones that I needed - just no propagation and, of course, always looking for new YL countries. I need 2 more to get my next CLARA seal.

Spring has arrived and the rain on the coast slowing down a bit - now we have to worry about flooding along the rivers when all that snow melts. I hope that the dykes around

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this island hold! Golf has been slow but the courses are now drying out. I plan on going to Calgary a couple of times, at least, during the year and to Toronto for a Reunion.

Next year I have my eyes on the International YL gathering in South Africa. If my plans work I will go via Perth, Australia and see Poppy, VK6YF, and return home via London. Hope everyone has a great spring and early summer. 33 Elizabeth VE7YL

Heather Holmes - VE3HOH writes:

Not much going on here radiowise but I have been doing some code practice to improve my copying. It's been a long time since I have been on code but would like to get back to it. It's my first love. Always enjoyed it.

Easter will be over by the time this comes out. I'll have a house full that weekend. Since our family have to travel to get here. They'll arrive on Thursday and stay until Monday afternoon so it's not just Easter dinner that I have to look after (10 people this time). Wouldn't have it any other way. We do our share of traveling to their homes, as well.

Our winter season of square dancing will be over May 21^{s1} and our summer season of camping/ dancing starts May 5th so we overlap a little but that's OK. We had a great year of fun and fellowship and enjoyed good health, as well. Hope everyone else has had the same. Wishing you all the best for spring. 33 Heather VE3HQH Vai Lemko - VE5ACI writes: Hello YLs and OMs:

Well, here it is spring, we think, but living on the Saskatchewan Prairies, one never knows for sure. There have been years when we have had a foot of snow on May 15th, so we will keep our fingers crossed that this does not happen. I have started my flowers for all my outside baskets and pots and, of course, the OM said I was too early, but I did it anyway, and sure enough, here it is only April 1^{s1} and I fool you not, they are all sprouting. Sure hope the weather settles down so that I can get them into the pots before they get spindly.

I am very busy, at the moment, as I am the Coordinator for the Saskatchewan Hamfest 2007. It will be held here in Moose Jaw, July 7th, So far I have 21 tables spoken for. From the response I've had I could have held a 2-day event instead of a 1-day affair. I have my guest speaker, 2 forums, one on the ZL8R expedition, a forum for Satellite Communications, 2 AGM's and also a CW contest. Nope, sorry girls, this girl has far too much to do the day of the Hamfest, and besides my 12wpm (way down from the 20wpm I used to have) cannot compete with those that are going after the trophy at 30-35wpm. Not this time, but maybe in the future after I've had time to do some more practice. I will try to get pictures of the Hamfest and of course will first have to find out if the editor will allow them in Harmonics. [Ed.-YES!]

My other news is that I just finished writing my Certified Emergency Coordinator's exam for ARES. Now there were only 50 questions, and an open-book exam. That should be easy enough, I say to myself. Well, after being out of school for 42 years and having worked hard for my Radio License

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If you haven't paid your adoptees' dues, please do so! There are a lot

of things happening this summer, The SYLRA conference in Sweden in August. Dayton Hamvention and all the regional and local Hamfests.

I received one letter from Victoria, SV2KBS/LA7VPA...Please note the new Norwegian call. She is in her

5th year of medical school and is going to Norway for her residency in Nuclear Medicine next year. I would imagine that

DX News & DX Treasurer de Carol Hall, WD8DQG

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Oslo. Her boyfriend is Norwegian...now we know why she is going to Norway :) She participated in the YL-OM contest, CW portion and hopes she did well. (Editor's note-She did a wonderful job! Please see the Vice President's column on page for more contest results.) But she had a very good time. She loves to hike, and is involved in SOTA (Summits On The Air) We would certainly love to get any contribution about SV YLs Victoria!

I hope to hear soon about some of the tilings that are going on in Europe, I haven't had a chance recently to check into the Monday morning DX net since I leave very early for work.

I have at least 3 DX-YLs who need sponsors.....

Spring is really trying to move in, but it keeps snowing. The ski slopes closed last week, then they got a lot of snow, so I don't know if they re-opened \$\$\$ 33s

Carol

LIBYA 2006

By Ruth Geering, IT9ESZ (Part 3 of a series-During the Contest)

The CQWW DX CW Contest in category "Multi/Multi"was supposed to be the highlight of our DXpedition; days before the contest team prepared all meticulous, receiving-antennas for the search of multipliers, operating schedules, nothing should go wrong and at the end, the 5A7A team was with 17703 QSO'S and over 46 Million points in the list; this with the sunspots at minimum level!!

Our team closed the transmissions at 7.00pm on November 29th, 2006 and during 13 days we filled 112.232 QSOs in the log, hooray! For the 80 and 160m bands alone we had 25.674 QSOs, setting a record of former DXpeditions. It was our goal to reach 50.000 QSOs, an aim set to low for us, because after the Contest- weekend, early morning while Andy DJ7II< worked NA and Juki JH1NBN the JL-area, they reached 100.000 QSO spot, great.

I left the team one day earlier, all dismantling of the stations and antennas was done in a perfect way, carefully packed for the air transport and addressed for its owner, few little items went to the wrong place but reached its holder after few days.

My departing day: I paid the Hotel bill, returned the room-key and only then I was handed out my passport. The "mark" in the passport, obligatory for leaving the country, I paid the day before and two friends escorting me at the Tripoli Airport made may departure easy and without problems.

I wish to thank our local friends: Haytem, Ali, Tarik, Mohamed and others for the hospitality and friendliness, with ability they always resolved little upcoming local problems. A special, heartfelt thank to Andy DJ7IK for his enormous work for this DXpedition, with still much work to be completed, thanks to Jutta, our bookkeeper and treasurer; to Mustapha DL1BDF without him we never would have reached Libya! For all his trips to find a suitable site for our undertaking and for the engagements with Libyan people; but least not less a special "Grazie" to the whole team which made me feel at ease and welcomed. I would like to return to friendly and hospitable JAMAHIRYA! Page 24 YL Harmonics May / June 2007

A YL's Resolutions by Amy Pender, WA8MY

At December's local radio club meeting, I had made a personal resolution to accomplish a few things with respect to amateur radio and my other hobbies in 2007. As I take a few moments to think about what news I have to share, I realize that I've already accomplished many of them.

At a local swap in January, the VE team on site was one member short to perform testing. Since one of the vendors knew that my OM K8KZB was a VE, he was asked to help out. After watching the experience first hand, I decided to put forth the effort to become an ARRL VE. While Jeff watched football, I poured through the VE manual and filled out the open book test. With confidence, I faxed in my answers. Two weeks later, I received my badge just in time for the next test session. Even though they only had one applicant for the February testing, I received my training on how to help them fill out all the forms. I'm looking forward to participating in the next few monthly sessions, as we expect to be flooded with General upgrade applicants.

While reading the last YL Harmonics, I got absorbed in Kim Frazier's article about EchoLink. Since my OM hasn't used it in quite a while, I saw an opportunity for myself and added the next item to my list: "Check-in to a YL net". After converting the entire YL Net list to my own time zone, I circled a few that fit my time schedule. One of them was the Echo Link net. Since this was another first for me, I asked my OM to help set up the router to allow EL traffic to my laptop. On the 3/4 Feb net, I joined the YL IRLP/Echo-Link net for the first time. Such a joy to chat with everyone. In fact, I enjoyed it so much that I have been strongly encouraging one of the students from my Technician Class last fall to join us in coming months. Big thanks to Kim, WX4KIM, for the article that inspired me to give this a try. Even though I'm an Extra now... I'm hooked on Echo Link too.

Another step forward, I decided to get my feet wet with contesting. My first ever experience was with our own YL-OM SSB contest this year. This was also my first time using our new Yaesu FT-1000 MK V rig that we bought for Christmas in 2005. Such a proud moment for me to be completely on my own with the radio that had once seemed overwhelming. Jeff managed to pull together a second station in the living room with the mobile rig and the antenna switch to one of the wire antennas I wasn't using during the contest. At first, I thought he was planning to work a few stations on his own. To my surprise, I heard his call answering my "CQ-OM". I had been working with the headphones to help pick up the DX stations. I have to admit that it was such a thrill to hog the radio all weekend! It was even more fun to hear Jeff share the experience at the last club meeting. The proud look on his face was more than enough to say that I am welcome to take over the shack anytime.

February also brought my first eBay sale. I've been putting this off for too long, but finally decided to give it a shot. While I have been selling my crochet doilies locally by word of mouth for the last 10 years, this was my first advertised effort. I currently have one of my crochet hand puppets out there right now. The success has also encouraged me to begin teaching crochet classes with our local community enrichment. I submitted two crochet ads along with the "Upgrade To General" seminar that I'll be teaching in the spring.

Last but not least, I started teaching a CW class with the same community enrichment program that I used in the fall to teach a "Technician Class" Seminar. Two of the 6 graduates from that class are attending the code course. I'm using the FISTS club program with them since the pressure is off to learn it for testing. This was also a good way to push forward another of my resolutions: dust off my CW skills and get on the air with it. In Oct 2000 when I passed my 5 wpm test, I didn't do much with it after that. So now is my opportunity to move forward with code. By next news, I hope to report having made my first QSO with CW... even if it is on 2 meters with an Elmer from the local club!

Wow, I really have packed quite a bit into the last two months. Looks like I'll be busy 'til school lets out for the summer! Then it'll be onward to Field Day.

73 and 33-Amy WA8MY

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ventions and I provided answers to questions they had about putting together a convention. Finally, as Carolyn mentioned I will be doing field day with the USS Jurassic and we'll report about it next time.

Well, hope to hear from more people next time. Nancy kc4iyd/8

New YLRL Members de Lois Gutshall, WB3EFQ-Secretary

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Welcome New Members for May/June 2007

We are pleased to introduce these new members to YLRL **District 6**

Madelaine April Thomas Matej KI6IMW

28 Gomez Way #12, Mill Valley, CA 94941 Phone: 415-381-0585 Birthday: April 4 E-mail:<u>madmatej@pacbell.net</u> Madelaine just received her

license and enjoys talking on the radio to her family. Her mother is also licensed.

District 7 Davina Nolten KE7JQV

137 Mirror Lake Park, Federal Way, WA 98023 Phone: 253-839-1525 Birthday: August 15 E-mail: <u>beeknow@yahoo.com</u> Davina was just licensed in Nov of 2006 and hopes to soon upgrade her tech license. She has already completed the ARRL EmCom 1 course in December and 2 weeks later was using that knowledge when a windstorm hit the Pacific northwest. She is very interested in hearing from

Kay, WA0WOF's address

should be: <u>waQwof@arrl.net.</u> Please use this as the address in the directory is incorrect.

Sister Alverna O'Laughlin,

WA0SGJ is moving back to Minnesota. Effective April 12, 2007 her new address will be: Assisi heights, 1001 14th St. NW #100, Rochester, MN 55901-2525. Her Phone number will be (507) 282-7441. Page 26 other YL's either by e-mail or snail mail until she gets her general license.

District 8

Karen Jones AF8G 2056 N. Cole St., Lima OFI 45801-2427 Phone: 419-228-6120 E-mail: af8g@arrl.net Birthday: August 26 Karen belongs to Northwest Ohio Radio Club and FISTS. She is a retired teacher and is active on 2 meters, 40, 80 and 20. The other hams in her family are David WB8MON and Duane N8INV

Subscriber

Douglas Dickinson KL7IICX PO Box 110872, Anchorage, AI< 99511-0872 Birthday January 8 Packet: KL1IKX@KL7PP Email: KL7IKX@yahoo.com Welcome to Doug who can be found on packet, slow scan TV and the HF nets.

Changes and Corrections

Jo Frances Melton, W4NKO.

This is her amateur extra call. Her old callsign was listed in the directory and was KB4NKO.

Rose-Marie Batting, ICB4RM

had an area code listed incorrectly. The correct phone number is: (434) 975-6091

DX

Kaneko Ogawa, JN2WHR 2-182 Shimosabe. Yanaizu-Cho Gifu. Shi 501-6121 Japan

Evelyne Terrail F5RPB Saint Jean 26340 SAILLANS France



Rejoining members Rejoin Alaska Susan Jean Woods NL7NN P.O. Box 220054, Anchorage, AI< 99522

Welcome Back to the following

E-mail: nl7nn4606@yahoo.com

Birthday: October 20 Susan has been licensed since 1988 and was a member. She enjoys Field Day, ARES and HF nets. She also belongs to PARKA and the Anchorage Radio Club and the Elmendorf AFB Club and the Saturday morning Amateur Breakfast.. Welcome back

District 7

Melissa A Norstrom KD7IEM 80511 Cowboy Lane, Hermiston, OR 97838 Birthday: May 15 We welcome back Melissa. She serves as Vice President of Tri-Cities ARC and participates with traffic handling, emergency communications and public service and is involved in making the public more aware of amateur radio. Her OM Larry is N7ZKF.

Continuous Membership

Continuous Membership-Mary Moore, WX4MM-1593 Lee Road 375, Valley, AL 36854,

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5-Year Certificates

KD8HB, Joyce Judy; AA4YL, Cheryl Whitlock; ICBONAS, Doshia Kretke; IT9LAC, Vita Scaglione; KOANN, Ann Foster; ZL1LL, Lynette McDonald; N9DZX, Barbara Taylor; KBOWBT, Sharlene Meydell; KC6TXB, Enda Toll and WI2G, Anne Fanelli

10-Year Sticker

VE7TLK, Elizabeth Baggoo; JA1HLZ, Micliiko Yamanami; AF4CP, Jane Peake; KB2ZMM, Holly Birmingham; N3TGB, Doris Slye; VK4NBC, Bev Clayton and W1JX, Roberta Donohue

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45-Year Stickers

K9ZWV, Vai Hellwig; K8VFR, Rosemarie Robinson and WA4FEY, Ruth Heitfield

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DJ1TE, Christa Elksnat; K4CZP, Mattie Drye; K1ADY, Mary Hadley and K8ARA, Ruth Rice

60-Year Certificates

W5RZJ, Louisa Sando

*One correction to make on Continuous Membership. Heather Holmes, WE3HQFI should have received her 30-year sticker in 2005. The records were not intact and she was mistakenly sent a 10-year sticker in 2006. We apologize for the oversight and the missing records have been found and the database updated^

In Our Thoughts

Condolences to **Doris "Dee" Chambers, WB7ULY** whose husband, Ray, W7KOS became a silent key on February 20th 'after a long battle with the aftermath of a massive stroke.'

Sister Alverna O'Laughlin, WAOSGJ is moving back to Minnesota due to health issues. See her [address change under Changes & Corrections on page 26 of this issue.

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