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WRONE
Irma Weber, K6KCI

Sincere thanks to Susan Sabin, KJ4DLP for a donation honoring the memory of her mother, Mrs. Beverly Wesley.

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!
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I HAVE STARTED MAILING TICKETS AND SHOULD HAVE ALL DISTRICTS, ETC MAILED BY FIRST OF FEBRUARY.

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YOU NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.

REMEMBER YLS! YOU CAN SELL TICKETS TO NON-HAMS. IF YOU NEED MORE TICKETS LET ME KNOW.

NEWS FLASH!

I AM SO **PLEASED AND PROUD OF YOU!** AS OF TODAY JANUARY 30TH WE HAVE THE \$700 FOR THE PRIZE MONEY PAID AND \$330 CLEAR. NOW "**AWAY WE GO TOWARD OUR GOAL**" WHATEVER THAT WILL BE.

THANK YOU YLS FOR SENDING YOUR DONATION IN EARLY. I COULD CRY FROM HAPPINESS FOR NOW WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THE PRIZE MONEY. IT IS READY FOR SOMEONE TO WIN...I HOPE IT IS YOU! GOOD LUCK.

For more information on the FARS Scholarships, please see page 25

Marte KOEPE



President's Message de Lois Gutshall, WB3EFQ

Happy and prosperous New Year's greetings to all of you. This year should be an active one especially with our convention occurring in July. I hope that many of you are making plans to attend the event. I am sure that Anne WB1ARU and her committee are hard at work to make it a great one. For those of you who have never been in the New England states it is a good opportunity to see the area and travel the path of the patriots. Make sure to get your reservations in early.

Your board of directors conducted their fall meeting by e-mail and several of the items discussed were:

1. Getting dues paid on time - it seems some members tend to hold off paying their dues until mid year but our by laws state that dues are due January 1 and delinquent if not paid by March 31. We have given the extension to March 31 for 2011 but from this point on if dues are not paid by January 31 members will be considered delinquent and dropped from mailings.

2. As we are all aware, costs keep rising and that includes postage. We already have an added amount to cover first class and foreign postage but it does not meet costs. We will need to increase these amounts but for now I am asking that if you are able could you add some extra when you send in your adoptees dues to help with the expense. It costs about \$6.00 just for the directory to be sent.

3. We discussed the feasibility of paying dues for multiple years at one time but at this time there is no action to be taken for various reasons

4. We also stressed the importance of getting address and name changes to the proper persons on a timely basis. Please help us do this by notifying the Receiving treasurers when there is a change

BJ, KB5CSQ, will be working on a ballot for 2012-2014 officers very soon. If you are willing and interested in holding a position in YLRL please contact her and let her know. It takes all of us to keep the organization going and you will make some good friends in the process.

For those of you going to Dayton Hamvention this year don't forget the YL forum and the YL table with the Buckeye Belles. We will see you there.

From what I have read it seems that there is indication of an increase in the sunspot activity and that should bode well for radio activity. I hope to hear many of you on the air. Don't forget the nets and contests and let yourself be heard.

33's Lois

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Cheryl Muhr, N0WBV

No
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at this
time.

Thanks to everyone who has submitted logs for the 2010 YL-OM contest. I appreciate your patience in waiting for your certificates and trophies. I didn't want to send out the certificates until the trophies are done. I have the information for them and hope to have everything mailed soon.

Don't forget to make plans for the YL Forum at the Dayton Hamvention®. It should be back on Friday this year. And of course we will have the Buckeye Belle/YLRL table. Remember D-star had taken over our original space and we have been located in Booth #234 for the last few years.

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out of 5 heard and they were all Florida. Merry Christmas to all.

Brownwood, TX - Ann

WA5GLM, Christmas is upon us already, just as it always is. As I write, I am listening to the hometown high school football team playing in the state semi-finals—we're a few years past going to these games. Even though my backside is well padded, those bleachers are way too cold for me. (PS, they lost. Phooey)

The OM got his hind leg fixed (knee replacement) a couple of months ago, right after our trip to the annual TYLRUN birthday party in Broken Arrow, OK. We had a Great time with great friends at the home of Doris, KB5BNQ and her OM. We all agreed that we should return to Broken Arrow again next year, too -same time, same station, HI HI

The OM and I had fun wishing a Happy Birthday to our "Elmer" W5PTK, a few days ago while catching up on family news -Kids, grandkids, etc.

"Elmer" now resides in Nevada so eyeball QSOs are few and far between.

Merry Christmas to all and may your days be blessed. We have so much to be thankful for and so little to complain about. And for the blessing of health and family and friends near and far we are indeed thankful.

Desoto, TX - Joyce W5MWK,

My news is I had every family member home for Thanksgiving. This is the first time in 5 years for us all to be together. Our youngest granddaughter Josie played the guitar and sang for me. She is 5 years old. Great granddaughter Aurora, age 3 also played row, row your boat and sang. They were so cute. Mickey our 21-year-old granddaughter and her boyfriend Eric, & grandson Chris cooked Thanksgiving dinner. First time in my life I did not help. They served up a beautiful tasty meal. I know God Blessed them for it, as did we all. I still have not been able to get back on the air even

though I think about it often.

Both our sons have their Ham license as do the OM & Mike's wife Christine. Seems like the cell phone has taken over, we can talk with each other any time for as long as we like with very little expense. Even our 5 year old said she wants a car & cell phone for her 10th birthday because she will be grown then.

I was happy with a bicycle at that age. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and 2011 the best year ever.

Southern Mississippi YL, Gulfport, MS, Held their annual Christmas Dinner every one had a great time visiting and sharing gift giving. They also announced the 2011 Club Officers-President- Megin Murphy, KE5CST; Vice President -Elaine Ladner, AE5PV; Secretary- Sue West, W5MSW; and Treasurer- Gene Byrd, AE5FB. If you are ever in the area give them a shout on the local repeater 147.375. Also be sure to check in to the YL net every Thursday night at 7:00pm.

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BJ Byrd, KB5CSQ



Youth News de Emily Bishop, WE4MB



Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years are holidays we all look forward to each year. It is a time for families to get together, have some very good food and of course PRESENTS! I'm just like everyone else... I love presents.

I really enjoyed being off from school so I could visit friends and family as I'm sure you did to. High school isn't anything like middle school. I just got through with chemistry and this semester I'm taking geometry. It seems like all I get done now is studying but high school is fun and part of growing up.

Like many other Amateur Radio Clubs throughout the country the club I belong to (*the Cleveland Amateur Radio Club of Cleveland, TN*) had a Christmas party and the membership always get together to ring in the new year.

If you do belong to an Amateur Radio Club or group I urge you to attend as many meetings and functions as you possibly can. It's a great way to meet and become friends with the hams in your local area.

The weather this winter in Southeast Tennessee has been the coldest and we've had more snow than we've had in several years. We've already had 2 snows within 2 weeks of each other. I know some of you get lots more snow than that but in Southeast Tennessee that

much snow will shut everything down for days. We are not used to all the cold weather either.

The good thing about this weather is you get to play on the radio more. Six meters SSB has been pretty active this winter and I've also made a few contacts on 2M SSB. The HF bands have been good for DX too. The repeaters seem to be a little more active because people aren't getting out as much because of the weather. I have noticed that local VHF and HF nets have several more checkins.

Before closing I want to tell you about a club in Hammond, LA. I was able to attend the ARRL Delta Division Convention sponsored this year by the **Southeast Louisiana Amateur Radio** in Hammond, Louisiana.

The hams there were very nice and I don't believe I've ever felt more at home as I did there. I was treated very well and they made me feel like family. I salute every ham in the club. They are first class.

During the hamfest Betty Jo Byrd KB5CSQ, who's also a YLRL member and **YLRL District 5 Chairman** conducted the YLRL forum. The forum had good attendance.

Betty Jo did a GREAT job with the presentation and if I remember correctly 2 new YL signed up as YLRL members.

I was in Hammond, Louisiana not only for the Delta

Convention, YLRL forum and hamfest but I had the honor of being presented with the plaque for having been selected as the recipient of the 2009 Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award.

I still can't believe it. I will always cherish this award and will display it proudly in my shack.

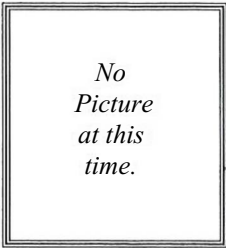
The picture is of my proudest day as an Amateur Radio Operator.



Photo from left to right: David Norris, K5UZ Delta Division Vice Director; Mike Bishop, WM4RB dad; Emily Bishop, WE4MB Hiram Percy Maxim Memorial Award recipient; David Summer, K1ZZ ARRL CEO and Mickey Cox, K5MC Delta Division Director.

If you have any news or anything you would like for me to include in my next article feel free to please contact me by email.

73 & 88 Emily WE4MB



District One News de Jane Oliver, N1PVT



The Convention 2011 Committee is hard at work planning a great event in July. We have several tours planned and the prices will be reasonable. We plan to spend most of Friday touring Boston. Even if you have been to Boston before, there are so many things to see, you will not be bored! Remember that Boston has played a big part in United States history since the 1600s.
<http://www.nps.gov/bost/index.htm>

Our Convention hotel is in Quincy, "Home of

Presidents", right next to Boston. On Saturday afternoon, there will be a chance to visit the Adams National Historical Park.

<http://www.nps.gov/adam/index.htm>

On Sunday, we are planning a trip to Cape Cod with stops at sites relating to the history of wireless communication as well as the Cape Cod National Seashore.

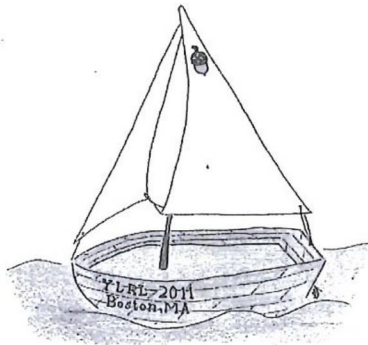
<http://www.nps.gov/caco/index.htm>

If there is enough interest for a trip to ARRL Headquarters on the

Monday after the Convention, transportation will be arranged, as it is about a 2 hour drive. The costs of the tours will be governed by the costs of transportation. If we have a large number of attendees, the cost will be lower per person, so let us know that you are planning to come.

We are hopeful that we will have a radio set up for the Convention as well.

Ed note: Pricing is still being finalized for the tours and more information should be in the March/April issue of YL-Har monies.



The Official Convention Logo for Boston

Corrections in Last Issue

I must apologize for an error in the information for the YLRL Convention hotel. I just got a call from someone who made reservations today for the Convention. I accidentally published the FAX number for the hotel instead of the main number.

The correct phone number is (617) 328-1500. The 800 number and the web site do not take the group code, so the hotel has to be called directly. Also, it is better to choose the Guest Services option #3, not the reservations option #0. If the hotel doesn't pick up fast enough on the reservations #, it transfers to corporate (just like the 800 number).

33, Anne WB1ARU



District 2 News de Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF



Happy 2011! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday. The weather has been very cold and snowy here in the Northeast. I think we've had about 4 or 5 storms, pretty much back to back since Christmas. Hopefully, it will start to calm down soon. I would like this white stuff disappear!

In December, I helped with a VE Session for Boys Scouts and others taking their Tech, General and Extra. There were classes taught about two days prior to the testing by some local hams. Many of the Scouts obtained their Tech class license.

The Extra class that preceded the VE Session was taught by YLRL member and 'BARA Babe' - Rachel Weiss, AJ4WD. Also, Wendi Jankowitz, N2MFD - another member of the BARA Babes group upgraded to Extra shortly after this class. Congratulations! Great job, Gals!

The BARA Babes continue their weekly net each Monday evening on a local repeater. They continue to be a bright spot in the Amateur community!

I just returned from the ARRL Board Meeting in Newington, CT where we were meeting for two days. And yes, it snowed there, as well!

I would like to hear more from other YL's throughout District 2. Hope you all are getting on the air and supporting local clubs and activities wherever you may be.

33 de Joyce KA2ANF

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Jeanne, VA3WX writes:
The first snow fell on Dec. 5th and started off with heavy rain which with the temperature drop iced the streets up then had a few inches of snow on top of that. We have had some real cold temperatures. Band conditions for the 80-meter evening net are a hit and miss so hoping for better conditions in the New Year. Jeanne attended a neighbourhood gathering on her street and got to meet neighbours she didn't know. Attending a roast beef supper at the local legion as a thank you from the Red Cross for volunteering on

Dec. 14th. Over the holidays getting together with a few friends for lunches. Wishing everyone a Happy New Year and all the best. 33s Jeanne Vai, VE5AQ writes: We had a lovely white Christmas here in Saskatchewan, and now that Christmas and New Years is over, it can all go away. Enough already. Actually not too much going on from this QTH. I am busy learning all about websites, via Yvonne, ZR6TBL, as we are the webmasters for the new "CLARA" site. It has really been a learning curve for me, and really thought this "Old Gal" was past learning new tricks. Girls,

never say you are too old. I have been having a ball with this project, and am now even more involved with Yvonne's company as her Operations Director, Canadian Division. The next job on my calendar is to move all the content of her old site and copy it into a new one. Please go to www.claranet.ca and check us out.. and if you have a problem finding it, go to www.lifradio.net and we are on the left hand side of the menu. Well folks that is all I have time for at this time. Take care all, and will be chatting with you again.
33 Vai, VE5ACJ/VE5AQ



District Three News de Jacqueline Gosselin, N3ZEL

Greetings from a very Wintry 3-Land! Winter is certainly making its presence known here as well as up and down the Atlantic coast. Yes, the North, the South and even the West are having their share as well. In retaliation we make plans for the spring and summer and look forward to all those meetings, contests, conventions, and gatherings of hams we've missed the last couple of months. And now that the holiday parties and celebrations are behind us, we can look forward to....

Our first hamfest is coming up February 27th, the "WASHfest" sponsored by the Wireless Association of South Hills (WASH). This is the one that breaks the dry spell of the holidays during which there is no "meet and greet" as there is through the summer. We will be sure the YLRL is there to try to generate interest in Amateur Radio, and will be working with another area club - Washington Amateur COMMunications. WACOM is trying to swell the ranks of local YLs by sponsoring a licensing class for YLs. There are quite a number of ladies in both of these clubs, but our aim is to get NEW YLs into the hobby. Emphasis on YL participation will be stressed this year for both organizations.

Early in February we will have a special event station operating at the Washington County Sports Show (Washington County, PA) again this year. The call sign will be W3C, and I hope all the YLs out there will be listening for us and Page 10

give us a call. We demonstrate how sportsmen can utilize amateur radio communications with other outdoor activities. This has been a great showcase for our hams and garnered a number of new licensees.

YLRL member Cathy, KB3OYS, is the main organizer of the Breezeshooter's Hamfest at the beginning of June. Again her ducks have been in line for weeks now and the hamfest (which is the largest in our area) is just waiting for June to arrive. From Cathy:

I have had time to sit this year and enjoy my family and friends. I have had great meals at my table and at friends home. I shared many tears and much laughter. I have hugged and been hugged so many times I have palm prints on my back. And yes I have to say I am guilty of regifting....for the first time ever!

The tree is packed, the wreaths are down and yes I am still finding things I missed from Christmas packing and oh one or two presents that I hide so well that they are now Easter presents... But the prizes have been picked the tickets received and yes hard to believe less than 6 months away to the largest hamfest in western PA.

Last year's torrential downpours have not damped the spirit. Hams have been asking since last year what can we do to make things better.

Everyone has been given tasks and yes there are a few more out there that I haven't heard back from...not many, but I'll find ya!

This year my paying job plays a part in the set up as there will be a large symposium on Saturday in Pittsburgh that requires my presence. Oh well just more balls to juggle!

I so look forward to seeing so many of my friends that come not just for the great prizes and deals but the camaraderie. I am hoping the mighty YL (Mother Nature) puts in great weather for this year's hamfest. So if you're in the area bring an umbrella (for the sunshine) and join us.

Congratulations to Cathy for her hard work in planning and execution, it once again promises to be a spectacular event.

Again, I urge all of you in the Third District to please send me information on your activities—who you've contacted, what you have done. We have so very many active and talented YLs out there, and this could be just the inspiration that a new ham might need to get them started. Please share your stories.

And until next time, I hope to meet you all on the air.

73,33

Jacque, N3ZEL



*3rd District Christmas Party
2010*



District Four News de Joan Jones, W4JMJ



Greetings 4 Landers:
Well, I hope you are warmer than we are here in freezing Florida! LOL I hope this is not a repeat performance of last winter. I am not sure how much further south we can move for warmer weather. I trust everyone is looking forward to the New Year 2011. I did not hear from many YLs but here is the news I have received:

Mary Moore, WX4MM reports that Evelyn Hockersith, W4EVE had a hip replacement on December 6th and is doing fine so far. We also want to take this opportunity to formally extend our deepest sympathies to Mary in the loss of her OM Tom, WX4TM who passed on November 14, 2010.

I also had an email from Tom Heitfield, the OM of Ruth Heitfield, WA4FEY who informed me of Ruth's passing on October 18, 2010. Our condolences to the Heitfield family.

Myra Kitchen, K3PGH writes that she did the YL forum at the Tampa hamfest on December 4 and 5 but only had 3 takers. She and her OM did the Stone Mountain hamfest in November and are doing the South Florida Fair from January 14 to January 30 with 20 volunteers from Palm Beach County Clubs. After that, they are at the Orlando hamfest. After that... (whew) they are off to Alabama for some well deserved R & YL Harmonics January/February 2011

R. Wow Myra, you lead a busy life! Enjoy.

Nancy, N1NCY sends this in: I meant to send you some news when I got your email, but somehow I didn't. I realize the deadline has passed, but here is some news. Use your discretion in submitting it, since some is old news. There are some pictures of Carol, KF4TJJ and me, N1NCY, giving our YLRL presentation at the Loudoun Amateur Radio Group meeting on the LARG website, http://www.k4lrg.org/Announcements/index.html#Monthly_Meeting.

In October, Carol Boehler, KF4TJJ, and I gave a presentation on the YLRL to our local ham radio club. The Loudoun Amateur Radio Group, at our regular monthly meeting. I did a slide show all about the YLRL and Carol showed some of the YLRL newsletters. We also put up a couple of posters with pictures from some of the YLRL conventions we've attended. Everyone at the meeting enjoyed our presentation and we think we've encouraged a couple of women to get their ham radio licenses.

Last February, my OM, Paul Dluhosh, N4PD, and I, went to the Orlando Hamcation from Leesburg, Virginia. I attended a workshop for the women attending the hamcation and met Joanne Hurney, KC2QGH, from New Jersey. Joanne mentioned she had started a

weekly local net in Bergin, NJ. That inspired me to start a YL net here in Leesburg in the fall. We now have a weekly net on Monday nights on 146.700 at 7:30 P.M. on a local repeater. So far we don't have many check-ins, but we're having fun and hoping more YLs will check in soon.

My OM, Paul, N4PD, and I, attended the Dayton Hamvention® last May and met Joyce Mente, KB3ORO, and her husband. Bob Mente, NU3Q, from Pittsburgh, at a YLRL discussion group. In July, Paul and I traveled to Pittsburgh to go to a couple of Pirates baseball games. We met Joyce and Bob and had lunch and did some sightseeing. It was great to see them again and have them give us an insider's tour of Pittsburgh, a city Paul and I love. We've kept in touch since then on the radio and via email and are happy we've made some new friends.

33, Nancy Dluhosh, N1NCY
OUTSTANDING ladies! I salute you for a job well done.

I have a tiny tidbit for you all. I have joined a local ham group called DARN acronym for Disaster Amateur Radio Network of Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice in Florida. They were established in 2004 as a result of lessons

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District Five News de Betty Jo Byrd, KB5CSQ

Hello to all,

Hope you had an enjoyable holiday time with family and friends and looking forward to a great new year with lots of sunspots and great propagation. So far the rumors of DXpeditions are out and some, I am glad to say, may have YL aboard. So keep your radio on and tune the bands somewhere there is a DX station waiting to make a contact. While you are tuning the bands you may even hear a YL and that is a reminder the YLRL contest is coming up in February where the YL work the OM and the OM work the YL. Good luck and I hope to hear from you all in DC 5 area on how you did. As for me I will be in Orlando Hamcation with our travel buddy Vic N5YY and Sue W5MSW and will not have a radio.

As always the DC 5 YL has responded with news so please don't leave now.

Pearcy, AR- Lenny K5OVC, shares FYI, Susan W7KFI in Hawaii says she hopes to sail in middle of January 2011 to KH3 Johnston Island, which has never had an YL operator. Also Pierre ZS8M on Marion Island has been teaching 2 or 3 YL scientists and hopes they will pass their test in Dec/Jan and also Marion Island has never been on the air with a YL operator. In Jan 2011 a Japanese group is going to Spratly Island, which will have a YL with them.

Gulfport, MS- Sue W5MSW, Reports that she has worked over a 100 countries now toward her DXCC. She is awaiting the arrival of QSL cards and checks her LOTW daily. Sue's OM Vic N5YY will start Extra Class training in Gulfport in January, which she plans on attending. The rumor has it this class may have 4 YL in attendance.

Saucier, MS - Barb KE5QHZ, OM Dan, AE5JG reports that Barb has received her DXCC certificate and pin for phone and she is now contacted 166 entities. Just 3 more confirmations and she'll be eligible for the 150 endorsement. Just think this was a gal that said she was satisfied being a Tech 3 years ago. Now she is eager to start the Extra Class session after the 1st of the New Year. We are also getting ready to arrange for Santa to deliver gifts to our 14 grandchildren and our 3 great-grand children.

Milan, New Mexico - Judy KC7KPG, We are camped in the CA desert near Parker AZ until the first of the year. Have outpatient surgery on my knee planned for Dec 30th. We are looking forward to the weeklong Quartzfest in Quartzsite AZ Jan. 23-29 then on to the Yuma Hamfest in mid February. I will participate in the Thursday night YLRL net when conditions allow.

We are looking forward to a wonderful 2011. We wish

everyone a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Seminole, OI- Beth KC5RWW, shares on Nov 14 Steve and I left Oklahoma for Maine. We were hoping to see the cabin he built 33 years ago, (about 5 years before we met.) We left at 5:00 a.m. and spent the first night in Frankfort, I<Y. Monday afternoon we entered Maryland. Tuesday afternoon we entered Massachusetts. We spent a night in Augusta, Maine. Late

Wednesday afternoon we arrived in Patten, Maine and too late to find the cabin. We found it Thursday morning. He built the cabin from trees he'd girdled a year earlier. The only help he had was moving the large logs to the site for the foundation. He lived in a tent while he built it. We took a slightly different route home. We traveled through a small part of Tennessee and arrived home Sunday night at midnight on the 21st after eight days and 4,550 miles. I tried several repeaters along the way and have very little response. The best was Sullivan, Missouri where three hams came back to me and offered assistance if needed. We were home two days and left to spend Thanksgiving with my family, 325 miles west.

The third weekend in December was the 10-meter contest. I made only 2 contacts

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NEW YEAR ... NEW CERTIFICATE

First I want to thank everyone who participated in the 2010 YLRL BIRTHDAY CERTIFICATE. I heard a lot of good things from YL's who had fun collecting the information for this award. Here's a list of those who completed it...

Cert#	F. Name	L. Name	Callsign	Date	QTH
1	Linda	Harvey	VE1QT	2/28/2010	CANADA
2	Cheryl	Muhr	N0WBV	5/24/2010	CO
3	Elaine	Ladnier	AE5PV	9/25/2010	MS
4	Rose-Marie	Battig	KB4RM	10/1/2010	VA
5	Christine	Dons	GM4YMM	10/2/2010	SCOTLAND
6	Anne	Manna	WB1ARU	11/2/2010	MA
7	Suzanne	Snapé	VE7IM	11/16/2010	CANADA
8	Martha "Marte"	Wessel	K0EPE	11/16/2010	KS
9	Lois	Gutshall	WB3EFQ	11/16/2010	PA
10	Helen	Archibald	VA1YL	11/23/2010	CANADA
11	Heather	Holmes	VE3VS	12/1/2010	CANADA
12	Rosel	Zenker	DL3KWR	12/31/2010	GERMANY
13	Alice G.	Purcell	VE3MHP	12/31/2010	CANADA

I hope you will all enjoy the 2011 Certificate even more. Below are the rules and a look at the certificate

The 2011 YLRL certificate will be called the **2011 YLRL FAVORITE COLORS CERTIFICATE!** This one should be a lot of fun! In 2011, let's find out what everyone's favorite color is. Here are the rules for this new award ...

1. Talk to YL's and exchange favorite colors. If you don't have a favorite color, just choose a color to give out.
2. You will need to collect 15 colors. All 15 colors must be different.
3. You will need one YL for each color. You can only use a color once. You can only use a YL once.
4. All contacts must be made during the 2010 year (January 1 - December 31, 2010).
5. Contacts may be made on any band the YL is licensed to be on, and any mode including SSB, all digital modes, EchoLink, and repeaters.
6. Favorite colors must be exchanged over the air. You can not e-mail someone after the contact and ask them for their favorite color.
7. Contacts may be made during nets only if the net control allows it.
8. Report the following for each contact:
Date, time, band, first name, QTH, FAVORITE COLOR.
9. Send your list, in color alphabetical order, to the Certificates Manager at any time during the year, but no later than the end of January 2012 to receive your certificate.
10. This certificate is available ONLY to YL's.
11. Applications may be submitted by e-mail [REDACTED] or snail mail (to: Carolyn Donner, [REDACTED])

A few hints on the colors ...

1. Be specific in your choice of your favorite color.
2. "light blue", "blue", "dark blue", and "Navy" are all different colors, so if you already have "blue" for a color and someone else gives you "blue", go ahead and ask them to be more specific. If they then give you the same color with "light" or "dark" or something else in front of it... that's all right. BUT, you can't ask them for a specific color. They must give you the color.
3. Blues, greens, and some other basic colors have a lot of variations, so be creative everyone.
4. If you don't have a favorite color, go to a website for something that is available in lots of colors and look at all the names of the colors that are listed for things like paints, or t-shirts, etc. Then choose one that is unusual.

2011 YLRL FAVORITE COLORS AWARD APPLICATION

NAME:
CALLSIGN:
ADDRESS:

YLRL MEMBER? (circle one) YES NO

COLORS	CALLSIGN	NAME	~DATE	"TIME-	-FREQ	MODE

[NOTE: You don't have to actually use this form, as long as you have the information organized in the same way.]




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AWARDS THIS

YLRL 2011 FAVORITE COLORS CERTIFICATE

TO

YL NAME — CALLSIGN

FOR SUBMITTING SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF HAVING CONDUCTED TWO WAY RADIO COMMUNICATION WITH 15 YLS (and collecting 15 different favorite colors)

CERTIFICATE NUMBER 001

Carolyn bonnet'
 YLRL CERTIFICATE MANAGER

January 1, 2011
 DATE

Young Ladies' Radio League Convention 2011

**Best Western Adams Inn, Quincy, Massachusetts
July 21 -24, 2011**

HOTEL RESERVATIONS must be made by contacting the Convention hotel.

Best Western Adams Inn, 29 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02171

www.bwadamsinn.com

For reservations call 617-328-1500 (only way to get group rate)



- **You must ask for Group Code CGRALE when making your reservation.**
- The special rate of \$129/double or \$119/single will be available before and after the Convention as well, if you wish to extend your stay.
- A credit card is required to hold the room. Rooms may be cancelled up until 48 hours prior to check in.
- **Reservations must be made by June 21, 2011 to get the Convention rate.**
- If you are interested in RV-ing or camping, please contact Anne Manna WB1ARU for more information, [REDACTED]

A complete registration form for the Convention will be available in YL Harmonics in the January / February issue. This will include meals and tours.

Tentative Schedule

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| Thursday | Meet and Greet evening at hotel | A photograph of the Boston skyline, featuring several tall skyscrapers and a church spire, viewed from a distance across a green area. |
| Friday | All day tour of Boston including Freedom Trail.
Dinner TBA | |
| Saturday | YLRL General Meeting
OM Tour
YL Luncheon
Tour of Adams Historical Sites in Quincy
YL - OM Banquet | A photograph of a large, multi-story historical building with a prominent chimney, surrounded by trees and a lawn.
A photograph of a coastline with a sandy beach, green grass, and a blue sky over the ocean. |
| Sunday | Tour to Cape Cod including Marconi Site at Cape Cod National Seashore. | |
| Monday | Optional Tour to ARRL Headquarters in Newington CT (minimum # required) | |

There will be a Hospitality Suite open throughout the Convention.

Young Ladies* Kadio League Convention 2011 Registration

**Best Western Adams Inn, Quincy, Massachusetts
Thursday, July 21 - Sunday, July 24, 2011**

HOTEL RESERVATIONS must be made by contacting the Best Western Adams Inn, 29 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 0217L For reservations call 817-328-1500. You **must ask for Group Code CGRALE when making your reservation.** The special rate of \$129/double or 3119/single will be available before and after the Convention. A credit card is required to hold the room. Rooms may be cancelled up until 43 hours prior to check in.

Reservations must be made by June 21, 2011 to get the Convention rate,

I expect to stay at the Adams Inn for nights arriving on.....
I will be rooming with: Name and call (if licensed)

GENERAL REGISTRATION (register before January 31 for \$45.00 if an "early bird" price & ohsvwng)

OM, Non YLRL member guest (includes Thu. social) # _____ @ \$30.00 \$ _____

MEALS

Saturday YL Luncheon # @ \$21.00 \$ _____

Saturday YL-OM Dinner Banquet # _____ @ \$37.50 \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

TOUR SELECTIONS and prices will be available on a separate form in the next YL Harmonics and a mailed to you if you make an "early bird" registration, Tours will be on Friday, Saturday and Sunday with a possible optional tour to ARRL Headquarters on Monday.

INFORMATION

Name _____ Call sign _____

Mailing address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Country Phone _____

E mail (if possible for confirmation) _____

OM _____ Call sign _____

Guest _____ Call sign _____

DEADLINE: June 30, 2011
Mail to Judy Harris tall BLR, _____

Make checks payable to YLRL Convention 2011



District Six News de Jennifer O'Connell, KI6OIL

My OM, KG6DNY and I have had a rough year, but we are thankful we have weathered it with great community like YLRL, a great church, and our wonderful families. We celebrated the Holiday Season a bit downsized, but grateful for health and stability. I hope everyone had a warm, safe and happy time during the Holidays—we are looking forward to a brighter 2011 for our loved ones and ourselves!

Ginger Wonderling, AB6YL certainly has lots of eventful and fun things to tell us!

In November, she operated on 160 meters for the first time. Ginger doesn't have room for such a large antenna at her mobile home, but Ham friends put one up at their QTH, so she went there to play.

Ginger was rear-ended on Thanksgiving morning, and her HF hitch-mounted Hustler antenna saved her and her dog Lucy from serious injury by absorbing much of the impact! While both car and antenna are a total loss. Ginger and Lucy walked away from it unharmed.

At the annual San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club Holiday banquet. Ginger won the big raffle prize of a

\$200 Ham Radio Outlet gift certificate—right on time to purchase a new mobile HF antenna!

Irene Oseas, I<S6I would like to share these thoughts: "Carole Burke, WB9RUS and I met on 10 meters almost 40 years ago. We have maintained a very close friendship for all these years! Unofficially, I adopted her as my sister and her OM Al, WB9SSE as my brother. I consider her entire family (their two kids and seven grandchildren) an extension of my family."

It never rains in Southern California, or so the Hammond/Hazelwood tune goes. But December 2010 saw us getting our share—over 18 inches. Rain in Southern California is like snowstorms every whereelse, and especially plagues areas that have been affected by wildfires, like Sylmar and La Crescenta, California two years ago. Dr. Kate Hutton, K6THN is part of Sky warn and has been helping to monitor the burn areas to watch for mudslides and other dangerous ground shifts caused by flooding. She wrote a great blog post about this, along with other interesting

topics. You can check out her blog at <http://k6htn.blogspot.com>

Happy New Year, everyone and 33,

Jennifer Oliver O'Connell

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learned from 2003-2004 hurricane experiences. Their mission is to provide emergency and/or backup communications for Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice Disaster Response Teams.

Well that's all I have for now but I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a healthy Happy New. And ... don't be shy sending me any news you'd like to share.

33,

Joan, W4JMJ



District Seven News de Sara Lyon, AB7PS

Happy New Year to all, and Greetings from the chilly Pacific Northwest. I hope everyone had happy and peaceful holidays. Sara and Bob Lyon had a lovely Christmas Eve dinner with their family. Barbara and Phil Yasson enjoyed Christmas dinner with their son and grandchildren. With overnight temperatures in the 'teens and twenties it is hard to believe that spring is just around the corner. Seeds are on display in the local stores. Now is time to plan for this year's garden.

Sara, AB7PS, sends her best wishes to all, and reports that Bob is getting stronger after another stroke and surgery. Sara has a strained back and other health issues that have kept her off the air for a while. She is recovering, and I know everyone sends her get-well wishes for a speedy recovery.

The MINOW Fall/Winter newsletter edited by Claudia Doyle, KL0HI, has arrived with news that Sara, AB7PS; Lory, N7KTY; and Darlene, KE7TQS, have been active on the Friday net.

Betty Marsh, KL7FJW, writes she is feeling better and driving around town. Marie Coetzee, ZS6CEZ, reports that summer in South Africa has been hot, and that she enjoys walking with Freckle, her Guide-Dog "the best on earth". Claudia, KL0HI, has made contact with a Port Angeles, WA, station, and has heard Alaska and Japanese stations on the 75 meter antenna they have put up at their cabin in Council, AK, but has been unable to hear the Friday MINOW net.

Two Rivers YL Net. The annual Post-Holiday luncheon was for January 15, and Barbara Yasson, AC7UH, worked on the location.

I wish to thank Sara for asking me to be the guest columnist for this issue. Sara is looking forward to receiving more news from the 7th District YLs.

33 Barbara, AC7UH



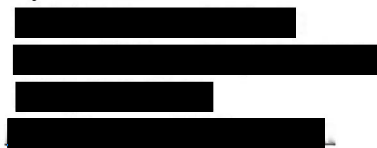
The People are from left Robin Resnick, Marilyn Melon, Margaret Hardwick, Amy Wong, Sandi Newsome, James Newsome, Lucretia Stinson, Claire Fillinger, and Jessica Bloomquist. Photograph by Lisa Bloomquist.



District Eight News de Annette Wood, KC8SQM



This is our 50th Anniversary year and we must get into high gear if we are going to have a great celebration. I am hosting a planning meeting on Saturday, February 19, 2011 at my home:



Please let me know by phone or email if you will be able to attend.

If you can't come in person I will make arrangements for a conference call and you can attend in that way. We have some wonderful pictures of Belles through the years, which we will put in a scrapbook, but we need more

memorabilia. Look and see if you have anything we can use. Please bring all of your ideas; we want to make this a truly wonderful event.

Connie, N8IO writes in: We went to MD over Christmas to our Daughter's. My Husband was able to go with me so it was a pleasant trip. He had been in a nursing home at Thanksgiving and it's no fun driving by myself.

My Daughter had made a Quilt for my present and I have included a picture of it. It is a King Size and sure helps keeps me warm on these cold nights.

I have HF capabilities in my mobile and can check into the OSSBN from her driveway, which thrills me.

Hope to see you at coming Hamfests in OH & WV.

Happy New Year to all.
33 and Teddy Bear Hugs,
Connie, N8IO

I wish you all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year. 73
Annette Wood
KC8SQM



Connie's Quilt

Have you booked your room and started making plans for the next YLRL Convention? Mark your calendars for July, 2011 in Boston, Massachusetts!



District Nine News de Carole Burke, WB9RUS



It is January. What more can I say? It's cold, snowy and blech. Although we haven't gotten as much snow as the east coast, it's bad enough. My heart goes out to the people fighting snowdrifts up the wazoo. Let's all hope for an early spring.

We haven't started up the Fox Hunts for 2011 yet, that will be February. Our YL Net is going well, some Wednesday's more check-ins than others, but that's the way nets go. I haven't heard from anyone, other than the YLs here in Fort Wayne. Susie, KB9WWO, has been battling

bronchitis, flu and whatever comes her way for about a month. Linda, W9LAN, is playing indoor soccer, and I swear, I don't know how she does it! Anne, WA9YYI, is almost finished with her first quilt and it is very pretty. I can't wait to get her started on the next one. Barb, W9WOZ hasn't been on net for a long time, so I don't know what is going on with her. If I have missed anyone, please call, e-mail or get on net and yell at me!

Since I've just gone through all the ham radio news that I have for this month, I will tell you that I am almost finished with the last granddaughter's

quilt. One more grandchild to go and I will have finished all 8 of them, 7 grandchildren and 1 best friend whom we adopted as a grandson.

Everyone please stay warm, safe and happy. Spring will come eventually. At least that's what people keep telling me. Oh, yes, if this column bores you, then send me some news please.

33, Carole WB9RUS

Ed. Note: Not boring Carole! But Carole is correct. Please send all the District Chairwomen your news so we can keep YL- Harmonics full and not cut to quarterly or have to have a blank column from lack of news!

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to illness or being unable to be on radio any more. We will miss you and our prayers go out to you all.

I thank all sponsors for sending in membership fees for their adoptees. I am planning to send "the adoptees" your membership card via e-mail. We need to cut costs as postage keeps going up, and we don't want to raise the membership fees. I hope that you understand this. This way I will have more contact with you as well. Do let me know if there is any problem in receiving your cards. I will continue mailing by post to those of you who don't have e-mail.

There is a YL-expedition going to Curacao, PJ2 on March 17-21st. Six YLs from California will be there. Check their web site for more info www.yldxpedititions.com

I wish you all an early spring, and that the snow is gone, by the time you read this. It is my hope that many of you will come to YLRL convention in July in Boston; see you there.

Please consider sponsoring a YL in YLRL. We need sponsors to cover for the ones that have become SIC

Good DX-ing,
33, Rose-Marie, KB4RM

With the number of Silent Keys, please remember that many of them were sponsors of our DX members. Some of the DX ladies have been members for a long time and we want to help them to keep their continuous membership. Other DX YLs are in need of a sponsor as well. Please consider sponsoring a YL in YLRL!



District Ten News de Doshia Kretke, ICBONAS



Greetings from District 10!
What a busy year 2010 has been, and now we are off into 2011. I am very much looking forward to the convention this year, in the Boston area. I have never been anywhere near that part of the world, so I am prepared for a bit of adventure.

Jean Parker, KCOHKB, writes that she completed a circumnavigation of the world this year. She has been living and working in Pune, India, near Bombay, for some time, and came to the U.S. to visit friends in Colorado, Minnesota, Kentucky, New York, Boston, and Maine—all via Greyhound Bus!—before returning to India via Malaysia. She has decided to pursue further education, and has now obtained a certificate to teach business English, is teaching nonprofit organizational management online (where distance means nothing) for Denver's Regis University, and is looking at getting a second master's degree in order to pursue a PhD (required in India). While she has been doing primarily audio radio programming in the past, she is now moving primarily into the written word, continuing

with themes of social development and human rights. And, in her spare time, she is archiving the some 170-radio programs she produced from 1995 to 2002!

Marte Wessel, KOEPE, is hard at work on the scholarship raffle. Have you gotten your tickets, yet?

Marie, WB0HUC, reports that she is still going regularly to school to improve her Braille skills. To really learn Braille, she has been told, one needs to practice at least three hours a day. She is working with a slate and stylus to make letters. Her goal is to be able to access her address cards. She is really enjoying talking books.

The hams of Boulder County had a very busy fall, as months virtually without precipitation led to a spate of wildfires, including one that was the most destructive of structures in Colorado history.



Within the week another fire, even closer to the city of Boulder, caused evacuations inside the city limits, but fortunately and thanks to the facts that the wind didn't blow much and the air tankers were still in the area, only one more structure burned.

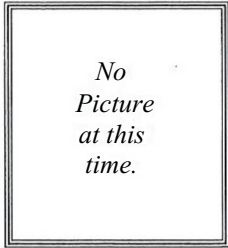
We staffed shelters with voice and packet and TV cameras as extra eyes on the fire, even when the wind was blowing too hard for the aerial viewing. And in between, we had a regular practice exercise!

We learned a lot about keeping ourselves and the equipment ready to roll! Little drama, no heroics, just hour after hour of keeping the equipment up and running. Here's hoping for a more "boring" 2011!

33 & 73, Doshia, KB0NAS

Doshia, KB0NAS and George, N0RUX at the Practice Exercise in Boulder.

**New YLRL Members
de Anne Manna, WBIARU-Secretary**



New Members for January/February 2011
Welcome to our new members!

DISTRICT 3

KA3VXM Kathy King



Kathy holds a general license and is active on 2 and 440. Her OM is WA3PYU Mike.

KB3VEN Cecilia Bastone



Cecilia holds a new Tech license. She works in sales. Her OM is WC3O Bob.

DISTRICT 7

KF7MKC Sandra M. Newsome



Sandra is retired and holds a Tech license which she earned in 2010. Her OM is KE7ZAC James.

DISTRICT 9

WS9H Rhonda Curtis



Rhonda has her Extra and is active as Marion Co. ARES Net Control and VE team liaison. She belongs to Johnson Co. and Indy RCs. Her OM is ND9C Steve.

WP4OCZ Adriana Sambolin



Adriana holds a Tech license and enjoys nets. Her dad is KP4CI Robert and her brother Michael is KC9MOD.

KC9MNY Terryn Sears



Terryn has held her Tech license since 2007. KG7IO William is her dad.

W8MSN Marge Schick



Marge is an officer in both the Porter Co. ARC and the Porter Co. ARES. She holds a Tech license. Her OM is W8OCG John.

W9SPK Lizz Craig



Lizz earned her general license in 2010. Her OM W9SPL Jon is helping her get on the air.

KA9YYI Anne Pliett



Anne has a Tech license and enjoys fox hunts, YL nets and club meetings. Her OM is I<9OAJim.

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VE News de Suzanne Snape, VE7IM

My congratulations and very best wishes to Paulette, VE7VPE, as she steps down after 8 years on the executive of CLARA. Paulette has done a great job as both Vice President and President of CLARA. Everything you have accomplished over those years is very much appreciated by all, Paulette; enjoy your retirement and all that spare time!! October saw the passing of Ethel, VE3DTW, in her 104th year. I only knew Ethel for such a very short time. She may have been a member of YLRL many decades ago. She was a grand lady and brightened everyone's day with her lively personality. Best wishes to all for a happy and healthy New Year. Many things to be grateful for and many things to look forward to in 2011.

Ann VE3HAI writes: CLARA is undergoing a change this year, with new executive and a new web site. The site should be available before year-end. Ann knows because she's the new president of CLARA. This is her second time round as president. The first time was in the 70's. She has an enthusiastic executive team and lots of help from past president Paulette. That should add up to a good year for CLARA. Ami hopes that everyone had a great Christmas and will have a very happy and healthy 2011. All the best Ann, VE3HAI

Heather, VE3HQH writes: I sent my Birthday Award Log to Carolyn yesterday and received my certificate via email this morning. I'm # Oil. I've put the certificate into a protective sleeve and it's on the wall already. I didn't think I'd be able to finish it, as May was the only month that I had been looking for quite sometime. Truus, VE3MRS, just happened to be on one day when I was around and I was able to work her. She has a May birthday. Just luck, since I'm not on very often.

Now that Christmas is almost here. I'm working every day now at the shop with deliveries and bookwork. Next week wraps up our dancing until the New Year, so that's a little bit of a break.

Doug just bought a new Kenwood TS-590S. Now he'll have to choose between the K3 and the TS-590S, which he wants to use. I could claim one as mine. Hi Hi.

Best wishes to everyone for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. 33, Heather

Elizabeth, VE7YL writes: We all got a shock when winter arrived on the coast late November with -9c temperatures followed by snow. Everyone was scrambling for winter tires. The CQ WW CW at the end of November provided 2 new CW countries or entities. Tried hard for more but was not lucky. Guess two better than

none. Was pleased to work Babs from St Barthelemy in October for a new YL country. The first new one in years! Want to wish everyone a Happy New Year - may the bands suddenly come alive in 2011! 33 Elizabeth VE7YL

Paulette, VE7VPE writes: We are once more in Cathedral City, California for the winter. Beating that cold, cold weather at home! Have been extremely busy with company, getting ready for a craft fair (which went very well and I managed to sell a few things), biking, swimming, quilting and just plain relaxing. Nice change not having to deal with CLARA business. My 8-year term as Vice President and President has finally come to an end. CLARA is now in quite capable hands and I wish the new Executive well and continued growth to CLARA. Haven't had much time for radio at all since we arrived here. John has acquired a very fancy antennae and he hopes to have it set up soon. Problem is we have to take it down, not really allowed here in the RV Resort. But we are the designated emergency communications so we can use the radio but not leave antennas up permanently. I hope everyone has a great Christmas and New Year. Paulette VE7VPE

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DX News & DX Treasurer de Rose-Marie Battig, KB4RM

Dear YL friends.

We are now into year 2011 and I wish for all a happy healthy year with good conditions on radio and lots of sunspots. Thank you all for your greetings and contacts throughout the year.

The DX challenge for the year included working PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ6, and PJ7. Many of us got to work them all over again as new countries. I hope you work them: I am getting my QSL cards, all very beautiful.

During the DX-YL expedition to Greenland in September I worked Ruth, IT9ESZ. Inger, OZ7AGR, sent her QSL card with a beautiful picture of the ice formations in Greenland.

She reported that the five of them had a great time, and that the station was already complete, so no building of towers and antennas. I have been to Greenland when my flight landed there for refueling on my way for the first time to USA in 1964. How little I know of what was in store for me in this big country.

I am on the DX-YL net every Monday time 15:00z on 14.289 and here is some of the news from our net:

Christa, DJ1TE, spent two weeks on the Island of Cape Verde in the warm sun, to escape all the snow in Germany. On arrival at home on Christmas day, they were met by a half meter snow and had to dig through it to get into their house. Christine, GM4YMM, planned to spend Christmas with her daughter and family in Wales. They had to postpone her plans until after the New Year, due to all the snow. Most all of Europe and Scandinavia were buried in snow and experienced extremely cold temperatures, and many wondered if we are going into a new ice age.

We here in Virginia have had only one snowfall of 5 cm snow. Temperatures have ranged from as cold as minus 8c and as warm as plus 10c; we can't complain.

Magda, ZS6MVN, writes: "Happy New Year, all well here in South Africa, just very warm during the day and night. We

are still active on the radio front, not so much as in the beginning but we keep it up this side. My husband is also a ham, so we do it as a family. Lizette, ZS6LZT our eldest daughter is getting married in April, so we are busy planning and getting everything sorted out. Suzette is in her final school year, grade 12 this year, doing very well. She had 6 distinctions last year in grade 11, and doing very well her whole school life. We are so proud of her. School is starting next week here with us the 12th January."

Hiromi, JJ1CAS, writes: "Happy New Year 2011" the year of Rabbit, which is the fourth animal in the 12 cycles of the Chinese Zodiac. It is said that the year of rabbit is mild and peaceful as the character. I would congratulate the women and men of the Rabbit's year born in 1915, 1927, 1939, 1951, 1963, 1975, 1987, and 1999. Last year, the Tiger's year of mine, my daily life was teaching Karate, studying, ham radio, and family events. In February was on TV to teach my "Kata" performance to students.

Although I am not active on the air recently, I enjoy YL-Harmonics. In April 2011, I will be able to start tire graduate studies at the Life Science program.

Nobuko, JLI1AVD; Helen, HB9ACO; and Rita, G0EIX need to leave YLRL as members due



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HELLO YLS:
I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN READING ABOUT
THE FOUNDATION OF AMATEUR RADIO, INC. (FAR)
WE ARE SO FORTUNATE TO BE ABLE TO USE THE SERVICES
(NO FEE) TO ADMINISTER THE TWO YLRL SCHOLARSHIPS.
ETHEL SMITH, K4LMB WITH THE HELP OF HUGH TURNBULL,
W3ABC A REPRESENTATIVE OF FAR ESTABLISHED THE YLRL
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IN 1978. THE YOUNG LADIES WHO
ARE AWARDED THE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE SELECTED BY FAR.
YLRL HAS AWARDED TO DATE THROUGH FAR FORTY-FIVE
(45) SCHOLARSHIPS WITH A TOTAL OF \$52,900. IN 1978 THE
AWARD WAS \$300. YLRL NOW AWARDS TWO MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIPS OF \$1500 EACH.
WHEN A YL APPLIES THROUGH FAR SHE IS ALSO ELIGIBLE
FOR ONE OF THE OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS ADMINISTERED BY
THE FOUNDATION OF AMATEUR RADIO, INC.

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FAR

THE FOUNDATION FOR AMATEUR RADIO, INC. A NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATION WITH HEADQUARTERS IN WASHINGTON, DC PLANS TO
ADMINISTER SIXTY (60) SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2011
TO ASSIST LICENSED RADIO AMATEURS. THE FOUNDATION COMPOSED
OF OVER SEVENTY-FIVE LOCAL AREA AMATEUR RADIO CLUBS, FULLY
FUNDS FIVE OF THESE SCHOLARSHIPS WITH THE INCOME FROM
GRANTS AND ITS ANNUAL HAMFEST. THE REMAINING FIFTY-FIVE (55)
ARE ADMINISTERED BY THE FOUNDATION WITHOUT COST TO THE
VARIOUS DONORS.
LICENSED RADIO AMATEURS MAY COMPETE FOR THESE AWARDS IF
THEY PLAN TO PURSUE A FULL-TIME COURSE OF STUDIES BEYOND
HIGH SCHOOL AND ARE ENROLED OR HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED FOR
ENROLLMENT AT AN ACCREDITED UNIVERSIY, COLLEGE OR TECH-
NICAL SCHOOL.
THE AWARDS RANGE FROM \$500 TO \$2500 WITH PREFERENCE GIVEN IN
SOME CASES TO RESIDENTS OF SPECIFIED GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS OR
THE PURSUIT OF CERTAIN STUDY PROGRAMS
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND AN APPLICATION FORM MAY BE OBTAINED
BY LETTER OR QSL CARD, POSTMARKED PRIOR TO MARCH 31, 2011 FROM

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SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN
DAVE PRESTEL-W8AJR
10160 TANFIELD CT.
ELLCOTT CITY, MD 21042-5808

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INFORMATION REGARDING YLRL SCHOLARSHIPS CAN BE FOUND IN THE 2010 YLRL
DIRECTORY ISSUE UNDER YLRL BY-LAWS ARTICLE XIV AND YLRL PROCEDURE
POLICY SECTION 19
YLRL MEMBERS ARE URGED TO PROMOTE YLRL AND THE YLRL SCHOLARSHIPS

Marta KOLEPE

Certificate Custodian

WAS-YL, YLCC, YL-DXCC, WAC-YL, DX-YL -Carolyn Donner, N8ST [REDACTED]
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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 QSL CARDS TO THE CUSTODIAN!** Two other Amateurs must sign the log verifying that the QSL cards are in possession of the applicant.
4. No charge is made for a certificate, but sufficient postage for first class mail or a stamped legal-size 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 in each issue of *YL Harmonics*.

Continuous Membership Certificate

This certificate is available **ONLY** to YLRL members. It is awarded automatically to any YL who has been a member, continuously for five years. Diamond-shaped stickers are awarded for each additional five years of continuous membership.

Continuous Membership-Mary Moore, WX4MM-[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

New Members continued from Page 22

-District 9 continued

W9ICTY Martha Freed

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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Martha is active on 2 meters with her Tech license. Other family members are W9CCF Bruce, Sr. and KD5VFK Bruce Jr-

KA6OJX Barbara Cave

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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Barbara holds a General license and was first licensed in 1983. Her OM is WA6UOO Gary and her son is KA6QMW Brian.

W9BRC Di Johnson-Dobbs

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

Di has enjoyed all ham activities that she has tried so far. She holds a general license. WS9H Rhonda is a family member.

We welcome you as members of YLRL and hope to hear each of you on the air or meet you at a convention or hamfest.

IN OUR THOUGHTS

From Andy Anderson sent to BJ Byrd. "Doris was sending you her Dues, but Doris passed away Monday. She was not in any pain. Just getting weaker as the weeks passed, didn't eat much, hard to breath, and so she passed away sleeping here in the house.

She was the sweetest wife of all; I was so blessed being her husband. We had 69 years together, the best, she was 88 years old.

Will you tell the other YLs about Doris, please? You and YLRL were a very important for Doris. Thanks Andy Anderson."

Another Silent Key notice. "I regret to inform you that we have another silent key Beth Selman, K7WGV. Mother passed away yesterday, after a valiant battle with pneumonia. I was with her through the whole struggle in the hospital but she just couldn't beat it. We will be having a memorial service in T or C Dec 22nd at 2 PM and her obituary will be posted on RememberTheirStory.com if you would pass that along to all her friends. We will really miss her. We spoke everyday. She was my best friend."

Cheri Dotson

Christa, DJ1TE writes in that Edith DF7WU became SK January 10th 2011. She was a member since 1991 and was self paid. She said she was over 80+.

Mary Moore, WX4MM has been having a tough time, so keep her in your thoughts. 'I am still reeling from losing Tom and my Father passed away. Today would have been Tom's 68th birthday." That is a lot for anyone to handle, we are thinking of you and your family, Mary.

Corrections & Changes

If someone you know is not getting their YL-Harmonics please send corrections to the Carol, K4SAF, our US Receiving Treasurer or for DX send to Rose-Marie, KB4RM, our DX Treasurer (See front cover for info) and let us know which issues were missed. Sometimes the issue comes back with either "Unknown" or "No Forwarding address" and we have no way of knowing how to contact the member. Our best hope is to list someone in "Missing in Action" and hope someone can help with updates. Please update your records and those of any YLs you sponsor each year to stay current.

Also if you send dues or address corrections to the return address on your envelopes, they will be delayed. The permit is held by the Editor who has to then send the information on to the correct parties. Thank you -The Editor

Corrections and Changes

DX

Jasmine R. Marshall, G4KFP

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Susan Till, M3EYL (formerly Susan Falkington) address is:

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Yvonne Reiners, PD1AIY

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Janet Musto, ZS5JAN new address in New Zealand and callsign change.

New Callsign is: ZL1JAN

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District 2

Verification on **Lia Zwack, W2NFY**, her address is:
Lia Zwack

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