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YL Forum at Dayton Hamvention®;
President Doshia, KB0NAS and VP Linda,
KC8PKY; Nancy, K9DIG signs in at the YL
table; YL checking out brochures; and at the
YLRL Booth.

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De Linda Hynan, AC5QQ

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There was a donation last month.

In Memory of:

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Hello YLs from Marte, K0EPE.

Want to again thank you for all your help to me with the YLRL scholarships. YLRL is very fortunate to have Linda, AC5QQ take over the scholarship chairmanship. Linda is trustworthy of taking care of the scholarship program and being responsible for the YLRL scholarship money.

She will need your help with sending in donations and I will need your help later when I have the scholarship drive in conjunction with the 2014 YLRL convention.

As a personal note will say my reason for resigning as scholarship chairman was due to my OM, Pete, W0CM having health problems. He does need my attention and later will need it more.

Always, 33 Marte, K0EPE



President's Message de Doshia Kretlce, ICBO NAS



Wow! I returned from my first trip to the Dayton Ham-vention just in time to finish up the school year (I am a physical therapist in a school district) and finally have a moment to catch my breath.

Thanks for the efforts of Anne Manna WB1ARU, who arranged for the booth and the needs of the YLRL contingent remotely from Australia (where she was in early May, for the International YL Meet in Adelaide), and of Susie Scott, N8CGM, who was our local contact and spent many hours at the booth along with Linda Metz, KC8PKY.

The YLRL booth was situated near a corner, where we could hail many passers-by. We asked YLs and potential YLs to sign in, and we signed up and renewed not a few, including some brand new hams as yet without a call sign.

The topic of the YL Forum was "YLRL—Past, Present, and Future."

Cheryl reported she has found articles from the 1920's with early mentions of women

hams, including a 1924 statement that all female amateur radio operators are Young Ladies (YLs) no matter what her age.



President Doshia, KB0NAS speaks at the YL Forum.

Current activities of interest were reviewed, and then we took the opportunity to hear from YLs who were present about what was important to them, ranging from looking at our logo to our presence on electronic media.

Dayton is as amazing as I have heard. My OM registered over 15,000 steps on his pedometer on Friday, even though he went to a couple forums and he didn't go everywhere.

It was probably good that I

didn't go around shopping—I got things from 2 of the 5 booths right around us!

Cheryl, N0WBV, who spent more of her time than I did at the booth, expressed the same thought.

I took an afternoon off and, being in that part of the country, my OM and I drove across the Ohio River into Kentucky and then went for a walk in the woods of an Ohio forest preserve.

It was really nice to meet so many YLs, and I look forward to going next year.

Then, the following year, it will be time for our 75th anniversary celebration with a convention in the northwest, where the YLRL began.

Like us, the organization is moving into the 21st century. I urge everyone who hasn't to check out the website, www.ylrl.hfradio.net. It keeps growing, and the blog is looking for your comments.

33,
Doshia, KB0NAS

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Vice President's Info
De Linda Metz, KC8PKY

**YL Contests,
Nets and Hamfest
Booths**

The Results are In

The results of the 2012 YL-OM contest are in. Thank you all for submitting logs with in the 30 day requirement and in formats that made my first attempt at checking logs easier. Thank you to Cheryl, NOWVB for your guidance in helping me get started. All that being said here are the results.

YL - CW Mode

SV2KBS - Victoria Panagiotou	claimed score - 11,934pts	confirmed score - 11,934pts
VE7YL - Elizabeth Anderson	claimed score - 1,482pts	confirmed score - 1,482pts

YL - SSB Mode

KK7YL-Rita Wilson	claimed score - 23,052pts	confirmed score - 23,052pts
WB3EFQ-Lois Gutshall	claimed score - 357pts	confirmed score - 357pts
KA0BAT-Melba Hoss	claimed score - 90pts	confirmed score - 90pts

OM-SSB Mode

KAOBHO - Terry Hoss	claimed score - 6pts	confirmed score - 6pts
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Think about trying the DX/NA YL Anniversary contest in October. Do it just for fun and to make some contacts with our DX YL friends. You don't have to have a big fancy station.

When I did my first contest it was the 10 meter contest and all I had was a Yaesu 817 and an Antron 99 antenna strapped to my chimney. It was in that contest that I made my longest DX contact to a station in New Zealand.

My OM Dave and I usually do November sweepstakes. We use his call for CW and mine for SSB. He always says I'm worth 20db more on phone. So get out there and try a contest especially the YL contests.

Till next time,
33 & 88,
Linda KC8PKY

From the British Young Ladies' Radio Association:

Do you know there is a new BYLARA website? The address is bylara.org.uk

- Have you join the website so that you can add content or comment on articles?
- Do you have any photos of YL's operating that we could use in the page heading?
- What information would you like to see on the website?
- Did you know you can add your own events to the calendar?

I would love to see this as an up to date site where anyone who is interested in amateur radio came for information and advise.

What do you think?

Regards,
Liz



Youth News de Emily Bishop, WE4MB



It was a fun time in Dayton this year, of course I'm speaking of the 2012 Dayton Hamvention held May 17,18 and 19th. There were almost 25,000 people who attended the Hamvention this year. The weather was great and no rain at all.

The ARRL Youth Lounge once again was put together by Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM and her dad, Scott Hartlage, KF4PWI. Kit building, fox hunts, scavenger hunts, learning and practicing Morse code and designing QSL cards was just part of the fun along with a dinner for the youth on Saturday night.

Kaitlyn Cole KS3P attended the 2012 QRP ARCI Build-a-Thon at Dayton and had a really good time with Elmer Joe Eisenberg K0NEB. Kaitlyn and Joe had lots of fun! Many of you may or may not know Joe.

Joe is the one who wear the big "cat in the hat" hat at Dayton.

Although Joe attends many hamfest around the country each year, he only wears the "cat in the hat" hat at the Dayton Hamvention.



Kaitlyn and Joe

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The Youth Forum was once again presented by Carole Perry WB2MGP. One of the young people giving presentations was Kaitlyn Cole, KS3P. Kaitlyn's topic was "Amateur Radio: Youth and YLs...No Limits!"



Kaitlyn, KS3P and Carole, WB2MGP

There were also many of all ages in attendance during the YLRL forum.



YLRL Group photo.

Kaitlyn, KS3P does a lot of good work helping other young people learn about Amateur Radio.

Kaitlyn gave an Amateur Radio presentation on May 3, 2012 at Sparkman Middle School in Toney, AL.

Many students got a chance to make 2 meter contacts with Kaitlyn acting as a control operator and Huntsville Amateur Radio Club members speaking to the students.



Kaitlyn and students.

Kaitlyn and other young hams like her are very much appreciated for the work they do. **Thanks Kaitlyn for all you do!**

Until next Time,
Emily, WE4MB



*Kaitlyn at Dayton
2012*

**Don't forget to send
in YOUR Field Day
news and pictures!
The columnists are
always looking for
news and photos to
share!!**

District One News de Roberta Donohue, W1JX



Greetings to all.

We finally have made it past the winter and spring and are moving into summer. It has been a busy time for many of us with interesting weather. After the relatively mild winter, we had a brief period of very warm weather here in New England. That proved just to be a tease, because it was followed by chilly temperatures again. Hopefully, we will have a warm, sunny summer.

Anne, WB1ARU, and her OM, Tony, had a great ski trip

to Colorado.

They returned from that and reported that they had many days of great skiing and winter fun.

Then, on April 15, they left on another trip to attend the International YL convention in Adelaide, Australia with a stopover trip to New Zealand.

What a wonderful trip and I'm sure they will have a great time in both locations.

At the beginning of April, my OM, Tom, and I had a nice little three-day trip to

Freeport, Maine (home of L. L. Bean).

Not quite as exciting as a trip to New Zealand and Australia, but it was fun. We stayed at a great inn there where they serve delicious meals and, of course, we went shopping. Freeport, Maine, for those of you who don't know, is an outlet store town. So in addition to visiting the flagship L. L. Bean store, you can visit lots of other outlets.

I hope you all had a great spring and will enjoy a warm, fun-filled and safe summer.



The YLs at the International YL Meet from Anne, WB1ARU

District 2 News

de Joyce Birmingham, KA2ANF



Hello Ladies,

By now, Dayton is but a memory. I hope many YLs made the trek to Dayton this year. It's always an exciting time with so much to do and so many people to meet. Let me know if you traveled to Dayton this year.

The BARA Babes are continuing their Monday evening YL Net on two meters with many checking in. The repeater they use is in Bergen County, NJ - 146.79 - if you are in the area on Monday's at 8:00pm, why not check in with them.



The BARA Babes stopped by the YLRL booth and the YL Forum!

Field Day is fast approaching, and I know many clubs throughout NNJ and New York will be on the air. Hopefully, the YLs will be out there, as well. I plan to visit a few Field Day sites this year and hopefully photograph YLs on the air.

Please remember Heidi Mendelsohn, W2MLW in your thoughts and prayers. Her OM, Steve, W2ML is battling Pancreatic Cancer.

Also, another YL, Ginny Interdonato, N2EYN, lost her husband. Dee, NB2F last month. We'd like to remember her and the family, as well.

Until next time....enjoy the summer!

33,

Joyce KA2ANF



District Three News de Cecilia Bastone, KB3VEN



Well, here we meet again. The Hamfest season has started again, and so have the service projects. My OM (Bob, WC3O) always volunteers for the Pittsburgh Marathon.

He shadows Dr. Roth who tries to bring people back to life after they kill themselves running 26.2 miles.

Bob is always amazed by these athletes, but always remarks about why they would do this to themselves.

The following Sunday will be The Race for the Cure. Both Bob and I volunteer.

This year we are on tire course hoping that everyone walks and runs it without issue.

These two events will take place the first two Sundays of May. On May the 19th our daughter Sarah will be graduating from College. Watch the news that evening because I will be the reason there is a Kleenex shortage. I intend on crying all day. She has made us proud, and I for see that she will be a great Jedi someday.

The Breezeshooters is another club that I belong to and I am the Secretary. We are working on our Hamfest that will take place June 3rd this year. It is one of the largest in the Pittsburgh region.

Of course we are praying for good weather, because it

is both an indoor and outdoor Hamfest.

I am actually at the Two Rivers Hamfest right now writing this article. It isn't that easy to talk to the other ladies that are not members, but we persevere.

Of course there is the largest Hamfest in Ohio on the same weekend as our daughter's graduation. So, needless to say we didn't attend Dayton this year.

As for things that are going on in Hamville, the Skyview Radio Society is planning a DXpedition to Prince Edward Island in Canada. The area is absolutely beautiful. The trip is scheduled for September 24 until October 1.

That is during the CQ Worldwide RTTY contest. We will be participating in that contest. If any of you are interested let my OM Bob know at radiofreebob@gmail.com.

As for the quilt that I was working on in the last issue, well it hasn't gotten any further. I don't know where the time goes anymore.

Let me know what is going on in your lives so that I can share it with all of the other ladies.

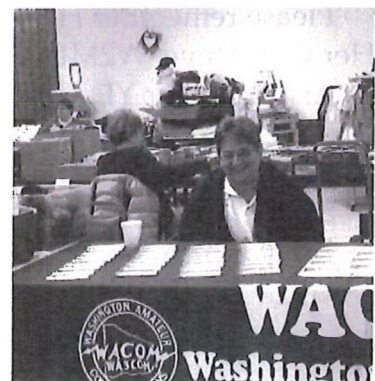
My e-mail address is ceciliab39@hotmail.com. Just drop me an e-mail with any news you would like to share

with the other YLs, and it can be about anything. I look forward to hearing from all of you (PLEASE!!!!).

I hope you enjoy the pictures from the Hamfest.

73s

Cecilia Bastone, KB3VEN



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District Four News de Joan Jones, W4JMJ



Greetings all YLs,

I hope this issue finds you all in good health and very active on the radio frequencies.

It is the eve of my yearly departure for the spring, summer and fall at our cabin in the North Georgia mountains. This column is one of my final duties before loading the car for a 6:00 AM departure tomorrow morning. Here is the news from 4 Land:

Alice King, AUK writes:

"... I sold my house in Florida in Jan. It was on the market for only 10 days. It must have been the right thing to do.

Right now I am staying with my daughter in Canton, GA, but I have contracted for an apartment at Lake Lanier Estates in Gainesville, Ga.

It will be about a month or six weeks before I move in as I have just chosen the new upgraded paint, cupboard doors, bathroom floors, etc.

This is a residential place with guaranteed future needs. I am sure I will be happy there. We are discussing the installation of my radio."

Well Alice, it sounds like a wonderful move and I hope to hear you on the radio soon.

"Best wishes to you Alice in your new digs!"

Ann Santos, WAIS writes:

"It's been awhile. I can't believe it's been nearly 3 years

since I moved here to Georgia. I do miss the W.R.O.N.E. gals up there in New England. No DXpeditions lately because I still have until February of 2015 of alimony payments to my ex husband. I am planning on attending the Dayton Hamvention again this year. This will be my 32nd consecutive year. I will be working the ICOM booth in the Main Arena next to the FIF radios both Friday and Saturday so those of you coming to Dayton drop by and say hello.

Since the divorce I am now living and enjoying life with my soul mate. Bob, WAIF."

Ann, it is always good to catch up with you. I haven't (thus far) made it to Dayton, but...one of these days!

Thanks for sharing with us and take care.

Kay Craigie, N3KN writes:

"I'm going to Friedrichshafen this year and look

forward to seeing lots of European ham radio friends there. I'll also be at the ARRL Expo at Dayton, of course. 33. "

Kay, I'm sure you and Ann will hook-up while in Dayton; wish I could be there. Enjoy!

Well ladies, that is all the news I received this time. I hope you will not be shy and send me an email when you have some news to share with our Harmonics publication.

I only managed to check in to the YLRL net once this quarter (the newest puppy has kept me busy).

It was good to hear the gals on 20 and 40 m. With better operating conditions up in Georgia (and an older puppy), perhaps I'll get more radio time!

I sure hope so. Until next time... 73 all.

Joan W4JMJ



Myra, K3PGH and Nancy, N1NCY at the YL Booth at the Orlando Hamfest.



District Five News de Betty Jo Byrd, KB5CSQ

Hello all,

Hope all enjoy your Easter? As for Ed KA5VFU and I we had a great time we purchased a 30 ft pull behind camper and took the Grandkids camping for their Spring Break for 9 nine days. We camped in Mississippi and Al

abama and except for a few rain showers with lightning everything was great.

Home for a few days and plan on leaving for the week-ends and trying new camp-grounds more fun now that we have a bigger trailer and got rid of the popup camper that was just too much work and the kids have gotten bigger and we needed more space. We do plan on adding an HF radio to camper soon.

Ed and I attended the New Orleans Hamfest in March it was in a new location this year and easier to get to. I met Dora HR4DRL from Honduras and Claudia LU2BAI from Argentina.

Claudia is with the Coast Guard and we all had a very nice visit.



*Dora, HR4DRL and
Claudia, LU2BAI*

Also met Kim KF5DKI from Louisiana and she told me she was moving to Missouri the following week.



Kim, KF5DKI

Brownwood, TX, WA5GLM

Ann:

Oh wow! After such a hot, dry summer last year and only moderate rains this year, the wildflowers are truly astonishing! We live in the country, and as I walk I see the different ones coming out. The bluebonnets in the field beyond our house are not yet at their peak, but already a wash of blue out the front door.

The spring storms have played heck with our already listing beam and the dipoles strung from the top of the tower.

We are ever kicking ourselves that the tower is not a crank-up. It takes a big bucket truck and several strong backs to put the beam back in place (we've been there, done that twice already), and the budget just won't stand for it for awhile.

Grandson Brandon, KD5UDD, will be graduating from law school in about six weeks, then comes studying for the bar exams.

With any luck after that comes a real job—we hope. Maybe then we can get the antennas fixed...

After several months of having my head under my wing, I am feeling like a million. What a wonderful time to feel good and play in the dirt!

33 All!

Ann, WA5GLM

Austin, TX, AE5OM, Sallie:

I am getting ready to go to YLRL International Convention in Adelaide, Australia next month.

33, Sallie

Carencro, LA, KE5RPI,

Karen:

I am also going to do a booth for the LA Black Bear Festival in Franklin on Sat., April 7, 2012.

This is with the cooperation of the BEARS, the Bayou land Emergency Amateur Radio Service of Morgan City, LA.

It is a lot of fun to acquaint people with our ladies radio group. 73 Karen

De Soto, TX, W5MWK,

Joyce:

I have been checking into Tylrun Net when I do not have a Dr's appointment. OM-Jim-W5MWO said He does not want me to go by myself....it is not fair for him to set in the Dr's office when he is not sick. Everyone have a wonderful Spring & Summer. 33 Joyce

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on Page 19**

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



New Members for May/June 2012

Welcome to these new members! We look forward to meeting you on the air soon!

DISTRICT 2

KC2THQ Dara Herman o

[Redacted]

Dara holds a General class license. Her OM is also a Ham.

DISTRICT 3

KB3TIE Karen Morrison t

[Redacted]

Karen holds a General license. She is a member of the Fort Venango Mike & Key Club and the Assistant EC of the Venango Co. ARES Group. She is active on 2 meters and hopes to participate in contests in the future. KB3OXV, William is her OM and KB3TSI, Mikaela is her daughter.

KB3TSI Mikaela Orlasky 4

[Redacted]

Mikaela is 12 years old and holds a General license. She is the daughter of KB3TIE Karen.

DISTRICT 4

AE4BX Mary K. Favaro e

[Redacted]

Mary is an Extra with the former call of KE4MY Y and is active on 20m.

KC4MHR Mary Sue Anlage *

[Redacted]

Mary Sue is a returning member of YLRL and holds a General license. She is a member of OPARC and the Clay County Sixers. Mary Sue is retired and comes from a family that includes 8 other hams!

KI4WSN Jonelle K. Nabergall 4

[Redacted]

Jonelle holds an Extra license and is active on 2 meters. She is retired and a member of Manatee ARC, Bradenton ARC and ARES.

DISTRICT 8

ICD8OCI Paula Cahill

[Redacted]

Paula has a General class license. Her OM is WN8C.

KC8WSQ Joan Caldwell

[Redacted]

Joan is a General class license and hoping to be active in contests and DXpeditions. Her OM is Don, AC8N and Son is KB8KSU.

KD8SLM Gerilyn Meany

[Redacted]

Gerilyn passed her test at Dayton! Congratulations!

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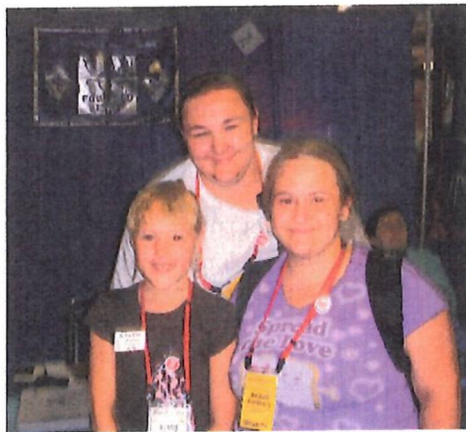
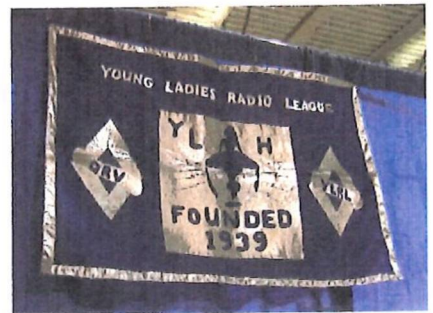
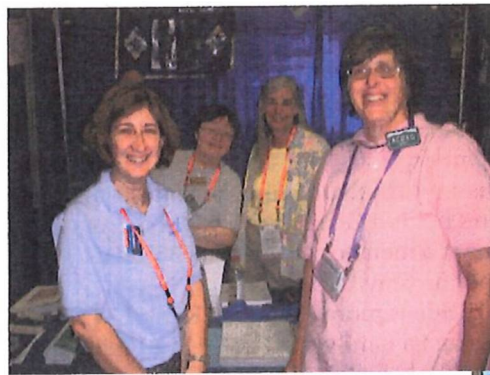
K0SPW Susan Wall

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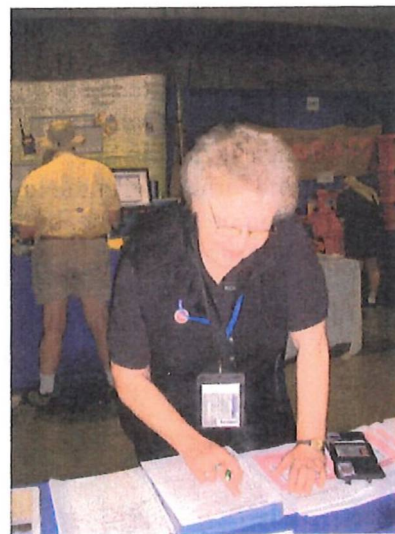
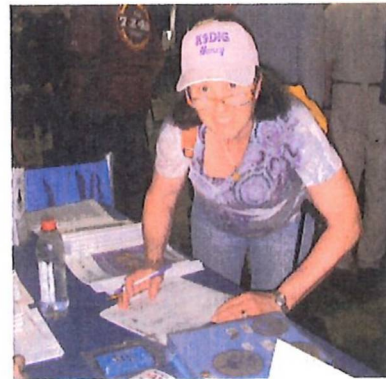
Susan is an Extra class license who is interested in weaving and Jeep 4 wheeling. Her OM is Roy, K0REW.

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Certificate Custodian
WAS-YL, YLCC, YL-DXCC , WAC-YL. DX-YL
de Carolyn Donner, 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. **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 addresses 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*.

Hi everyone,

I have to apologize for this lack of report this time. I have had some health issues this Spring and with everything else I have to get done, just have not had time to work on the YLRL certificates. I know I am terribly behind on them and some of you have been waiting for several months to get your certificates.

Please do not let my tardiness discourage you from working on the certificates. I have every application that has been sent to me and will get to them as soon as I can.

Also, please do not call me on the phone when you have questions. You can e-mail me at n8st@n8st.net any time and I will answer as quickly as I can ... usually within a couple of days. However, phone calls take much more time to return than an e-mail.

If you have a question, please do e-mail me. I love hearing from you, but phone calls are difficult since I am the only one in our household who can talk on the phone (my OM is nearly deaf in one ear and has a cochlear implant in the other, but does not feel confident enough with the implant to answer the phone). It's not that I don't want to talk to you on the phone, but just cannot always get to the phone in time to answer it.

Thanks for understanding everyone.

Carolyn N8ST

YLRL Certificate Manager



District Six News de Jennifer O'Connell, KI6OIL

Greetings DE6!

I hope you all are enjoying your varying Spring and Summer weather, as well as the different Event offerings within the Ham community. Some of you got a chance to go International (maybe to Adelaide, Australia?), trot off to Dayton, or just participate in local Events or meets, like the DX Convention in Visalia. Please send me any news and pics from your Summer adventures, as we all love hearing from you!

I stayed close to home, for the most part. The OM and I made our annual trek to Pahrump, Nevada for the Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Relay in April, and to the Military Radio Collector's Group Retreat in San Luis Obispo, California in May.



Jennifer and her OM, Lynn on the road again!

The Baker to Vegas Challenge Cup Relay (B2V) (<http://www.bakervegas.com>) is held annually between late March and/or early April. Teams from all areas of law enforcement participate in this foot race where the course begins 25 miles north of Baker California,

and moves down Highway 127 to Shoshone California, then northeast on Highway 178, across the state line into Nevada, on to Highway 372 to Pahrump Nevada, then southeast on Highway 160 to the finish, inside the Hilton Hotel Convention Room in Las Vegas.

The Challenge Cup's history dates back 28 years, to the vision of Los Angeles Police Department officers Chuck Foote and the late Larry Moore. What started out with 19 teams and a shorter course has now grown to 272 teams for the 2012 Event.

The OM and I have assisted with radio communication at B2V Stage 13 for three years (we missed last year due to some unfortunate circumstances), and each year it ends we look forward to the next.

It's not merely the opportunity to polish our radio skills and be of service to the community, but to join in the fun and camaraderie of volunteers and the stage teams, that makes this Event one of the best of the Season.

And what made it the *bestest*, was that we had a new addition to the team. Our own Ginger Wonderling, AB6YL joined us at Stage 13 this year!

Ginger is a member of the San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club, and was also a former District 6 Chairwoman for YLRL. Surprisingly, this was Ginger's first B2V run.

despite the fact that she has been a Ham for over 20 years, and has actively participated in other Events in California and nationwide.



Ginger, AB6YL

I asked Ginger why she waited so long to join us at B2V, and it seemed that having an uninterrupted weekend stretch was the major hindrance.

"Supporting an event like B2V is a major commitment on the part of all volunteers. It's not like a marathon that is over in a few hours, and you go home. This is a commitment of at least a day. I attended this year because I was able to make that commitment of time and resources."

Ginger actually planned to participate in B2V last year, but like us, had some unfortunate circumstances that prevented her from doing so. This year, she was able to make the time commitment, and the stars aligned, so that she was able to keep it.

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District Seven News de Marilyn Melhorn, KE7WEN



Happy Spring to all of you! It's right now a beautiful Sat night and I'm sitting in my recliner working on my laptop.

My OM, KF7BHM, is in his recliner watching Netflix on his laptop. What an age we live in!

I'm also looking out of the window at the gorgeous, clear, blue sky and beautiful pine trees in my back yard. It's so nice and warm out and a soft breeze is blowing.

Keep in mind that all winter we here in Washington State, have had rain, rain and more rain. So to have no rain is like heaven to those that live here. I just hope it's as nice in the states you all live in!

When I got involved in Ham Radio I really didn't know a whole lot about it or what I wanted to do with it. I guess I figured it would all work out in the long run. Which it has thankfully!

I got my Tech license and then passed the General license. Neither came easy for me. So now I'm working on learning CWI! If something I thought about all along but just couldn't quite figure out the time. I finally just decided to do it.

So for the last couple months I've been plodding away at it. I have about half of the signs learned, some better than others!! I go on mainly 4 websites and between them all I get what I want done. Also I have CDs in my car, which helps me practice.

So hopefully by the time the next newsletter goes out I'll be done except for learning to speed up. And after I'm done with learning
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CW what will I do? Why my Extra license, of course!

Lisa Bloomquist, KE7HPW, and I are going to work on it together. This should be very interesting!!

We had our first YL Tech class in our club. The reason it's the first is because it looks like there will be more coming.

We have a very active club here in SW Washington, and there are active YLs in it. So to start a YL Tech class was just the next step in getting more for the club.



YL Tech class

Barbara Yasson, AC7UH, actually had the dream and moved ahead organizing it with Lisa Bloomquist, KE7HBW, the club VP.

They brought in Margaret Hardwick, AE7MB and me, KE7WEN. Between the four of us we ended up with 4 new YLs—Angela Whaley, KF7UVA, Ann Wilcock, KF7UVB, Evangeline Whaley, KF7UVC, Corinne Civish, KF7UVD! Congratulations ladies! A job well done!

We have SEAPAC coming up the beginning of June in Seaside,

OR. It's considered the NW's largest ham convention. My OM, KF7BHM, and I went last year and really had a good time. Lots of good equipment, good food and good people! (Not necessarily in that order.)



7th DC, Marilyn, KE7WEN

There is a YL table that Barbara Yasson, AC7UH sets up, and some luncheons, one of which is for YLs. The speaker this year is Holly Roderick, and her talk is "Life with a Passionate Ham". She isn't a YL, but her husband is huge into ham radio. So she should be very interesting.

We also have Field Day coming up the end of June. My OM, KF7BHM, and I went to a planning meeting this morning and all is coming together well. CCARC (Clark County Amateur Radio Club) has been doing this for years so they really know what their doing. Also, another YL table there! Can't have too many!

Well I think that's about it for here. I hope you all are active and involved and thoroughly enjoying life wherever you are. Have a happy spring.

33, Marilyn, KE7WEN



District Eight News de Annette Wood, KC8SQM



March started with mixed weather here. Winter - Spring - Winter - Spring I never know what to expect!

On the 10th Of March I made a trip to Gallopolis to a small Ham-fest. I was asked to help with the VE session and we got 1 new Tech and 1 new General.

The next outing was on the 24th and the Marietta ARC planned an outing to Huntington, WV to the Museum of Radio and Technology. That was very interesting. I got to operate from there and I could hear much better there than from home.

I'm headed to Maryland for Easter at our Daughter's then when I return home I'm scheduled for Back Surgery on April 11 so I will be out of commission for I'm not sure how long. I'll have my cell phone with me.

Teddy Bear Hugs,
Connie, N8IO

Dayton Hamvention® appears to have gone quite well, about 25K attendance all in.

The YLRL booth was once again at North Hall #234, sadly not co-run by the now-disbanded Buckeye Belles (except for me).



Sharon, KJ8F shows off her winning plaque at Dayton!

YLH editor Cheryl, N0WBV was there as always, & our new President, Doshia, KBONAS, she said for the first time. Doshia, Cheryl & a few others spoke to a forum that only filled about half of Room 5. A number of Belles did sign in on the 10 pages of sign-ins-11 Buckeye Belles & Associates in all.

One of these, being counted for historical purposes, was Founding Mother Dorothy Lemley, W8GSH who lives in

E Palestine OH. Dorothy hadn't maintained her Belles membership, but now will be put back on the Belles mailing list. She came by on Sunday morning, along with her amateur daughter Chris & a friend.

I have managed to make some of the EchoLink Australian YL nets. Travel for a niece's wedding in Ottawa (O Canada!) prevented one, even stayed up for one at 0dark30 that didn't actually happen, but there are hopes for the next one this week.

May even get to speak rather than simply text (OM found me a new mic).

Susie N8CGM

Conf, from DC 5

Seminole, OK, KC5RWW, Beth:

No radio news. We're redoing the siding on the house and I had no voice last weekend.

33, Beth

Thanks ladies for all your news this month nice to hear from you as always.

Wishing you all safe travel to and from the International YL convention in Australia, sure wish I was going will be waiting to hear all the reports when you all get back. Have Fun!!!

Remember the YLRL certificate contest going on let's get on the air and work the YL to help us all get our logs filled.

33 BJ KB5CSQ

In Our Thoughts

Hello. In February you sent my mother Louisa Sando-W5RZJ her 65 Years Continuous Membership Certificate. She was very happy to receive it. She always loved her ham radio activities and looked forward to reading YL-Harmonics. My sister and I remember going with her to YLRL conventions in the 1960s in Columbus, OH and Anaheim, CA. My sister said we went to an earlier one in San Francisco, CA, but I was too young to remember it. She went to many other conventions later after we had left the home to start our own lives.

I am sorry to have to inform you that my mother Louisa Sando, W5RZJ passed away on 4/ 21 /12. She was buried at Santa Fe National Cemetery with her husband Joe on 4/27/12. I guess you now refer to them as silent keys. She will be missed by all.

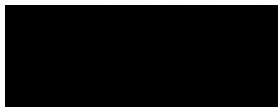
Parker Sando, son

Louisa was also the author of CQ-YL and an ARRL officer. She held many positions and did a lot for YLs in the hobby-ED.

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District Nine News de Carole Burke, WB9RUS



Regarding Dayton, we won't be able to be there because I am still unable to ride in a car. I have to have my eyes closed and that gets old after 10 minutes of so and it's a 3 hour drive from here. I was really hoping we could get over there because I wanted to try to get there on Friday for the YL Forum, but I know the crowds will be too much for me. Please give my regards and love to all my friends. -Carole, you were much asked about and VERY missed!

Don't forget to send Carole positive thoughts. -ED.

Hello to everyone in Nine-land. I know that you all are looking forward to hearing from Carole, WB9RUS, as am I. Please pass along well wishes for her as she continues her recovery.

For those of you who missed the Dayton Hamvention this year, you missed a great show. We had the annual YLRL forum on Friday with members from nearly all call areas in attendance.



Nancy, K9DIG signing in at the YL table.

We talked a lot about what YLRL should be going forward. I was the lone representative from District 9 at the forum.

While I missed those of you could not attend, especially Carole, WB9RUS, I enjoyed seeing some familiar faces as well as meeting new friends.



Rhonda, WS9H (I) with VP Linda, KC8PKY at the YLRL Booth.

VE testing was the big hit of Saturday with the line winding half way around the arena most of the day. Over 300 people tested. Can you imagine being on that VE team?

Since I don't know what any of you are doing for the summer, I thought I would share with you all what some of the YLs, including myself, are doing in Indianapolis, IN. May was a very busy month for us as the 500 Festival events provide us with volunteer opportunities for the Mini Marathon and the

500 Festival Parade. We also have another marathon the same Saturday as Dayton Hamvention. Our ARES group assists our county RACES group with these events and several YLs help with Net Control, First Aid Tents, and Hospital Support.

Another thing that keeps us busy in the summer months is a special event station for the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. We help put W9IMS on the air for the Indianapolis 500, Brickyard 400, and Moto GP. For the Indy 500, we had 4 YL operators. YLs are very popular on the HF bands so every time we are on the air, we work pile-ups. If you like collecting QSL cards, look for us on the air for the Brickyard 400 July 28 and 29. We will be on most HF bands.

What are your plans for Field Day? My OM and I will be joining a group of friends in New Mexico to put W9UFO on the air. If the fires cooperate, we will be operating from Gallinas Peak near Corona, NM.

See you on the air!

73 & 33s,

Rhonda Curtis, WS9H

**Don't Forget Field Day is coming up at the end of June!
Send your District Chairwoman lots of news and pictures about what you are doing for Field Day!**

If you don't want blank spots in place of columns, send in news and pictures on what you are doing in Ham Radio. YL news is always needed and be sure to send information on events in time to promote them.

District Ten News de Cheryl Muhr, NOWBV



Hi everyone.

Well, as you read this, Dayton Hamvention® is over and Field Day is upon us. Please let me know what you did for Field Day. Send pictures, too!

The Dayton Hamvention® was a blast as always. The YLRL had a booth and there was also a YL forum.

Tenth District's own. President Doshia, KBONAS was the moderator for the forum and did a fine job of showing where the YLRL is in relation to the current century and where we want to go with input from the forum attendees.

There were also a number of tenth district members (and new members) who stopped by the booth. I am delighted to welcome Susan, KOSPW and hope to see her at some of the local Hamfests and meetings as well, since she is a Colorado local.

Judy, K0UH and Donna, KC0SKD stopped by to renew their memberships and have a great chat. Both come from Ham families and I am pleased to welcome them back.



*Judy, K0UH at the
YLRL Booth.*

Also in attendance was Anna, W0ANT who attended with YL Harmonics May/June 2012

her father Paul, N0AH. They have been to Dayton a number of times and Anna can often be found with the youth hams and at the ARRL tables.

She has been a speaker at a number of forums talking about youth and Ham Radio and her adventures with the Youth DX-pedition to Costa Rica.

Another regular at the YLRL booth and YL forum is Kay, WA0WOF. She has many friends who use the booth as a meeting point. This year, the timing was sometimes a bit off, as they would just miss each other leaving "Tag! You're it." messages before finally hooking up before the end of the event.

Kay is also YLRL Librarian and is doing a wonderful job of making sure we don't lose our history. This is especially important as the 75th Anniversary of YLRL draws closer!

What fun to see the District represented so well. Now don't forget to be well represented at Field Day and send me news and pictures!

Once Dayton and Field Day are behind us, the OM and I will be taking the antennas down for summer repair and taking the ground radials up so we can finally get the lawn mowed. Luckily we have VERY tolerant neighbors. HI HI

Marte, K0EPE is back on her feet and back to chasing weeds for the summer as well as taking care of her OM, Pete, W0CM who is also taking care of her! Marte has done a great job with

the YLRL Scholarship for many years and will still be in charge of the "raffle" next convention. She has turned the reins of the rest of the scholarship info over to Linda, AC5QQ who previously was YLRL Disbursing Treasurer.

Also, don't forget you have until December 31, 2012 to work on your Annual YL Friendship award. Carolyn, N8ST is doing an excellent job of keeping us on our toes with new ideas to pursue each year.

I just submitted my entry at Dayton. It seems every year, I use the event to run a parking lot net and corner the YLs at Hamvention®.

For many of the YLs this is their first contact on the radio with someone outside of family or it might also be their first contact ever if they are one of the lucky and smart ones who passed their test at the event.

I love seeing the look in their eyes as they get into the spirit of the award.

This year concentrate on your favorite animal and make it as specific as you can because you can only use the name once and if you have one cat you can't use another.

Still, a Persian cat and a Russian Blue cat BOTH count. Have fun with it and be creative.

So many fun pursuits and it is great fun to work for them with the family since OMs can also chase many of the same awards.

33&73

Cheryl, N0WBV



I<L7 District News de Marilyn Melhorn, ICE7WEN

Hello to all the KL7s out there. I am Marilyn Melhorn, KE7WEN, and I am taking over the article for the YLRL newsletter for your area until someone can be found. I have to confess I have never been to Alaska but have always wanted to go. When I saw someone was needed I offered and hoped my offer would be accepted! As you can all see it was, and here I am!

Seeing I'm now studying and writing about ham radio in Alaska I may just have to come up sometime and meet some of you. Heather Hasper, KL7HP, has volunteered to show me the sights when I come. Thank you Heather, I just may take you up on that!

Whenever I think of Alaska the one thing that comes to mind is all the light in the summer and the dark in the winter. I know a lady who when she was

in college could sleep any time of the day because she was use to sleeping in the light. I always thought that would be hard to get use to. Obviously she's from Alaska.

The other thing I know about Alaska is from the show Flying Wild Alaska, a reality show I watch on Netflix about flying all over the bush in your fair state. A great show! I can't imagine flying the way they do.

You can see I am a blank slate here and ready and willing to learn. Any of you YLs in I<L71and, I sure hope to get some good info from you so I can do you justice.

I contacted Heather, KL7HP, and she was kind enough to email me some good information about ham radio in Alaska. There seem to be some good clubs.

One is in Anchorage and one

is in Wasilla. Now I know there must be more but at this time these are two I know about.

The websites are www.k!7jfu.com/ (MARA, in the valley around Wasilla) and www.l<17aa.net (AARC, in Anchorage). These are two good websites to go through. Be sure and check them out.

For KL7JFU, MARA there are classes, and a Ham Fest in Wasilla, AK. The Ham Fest is on May 5 so it may be over by the time you get this newsletter. If there's an interest though, contact Ken.Slauson@gmail.com for more information.

There's also a YL net on Thursday nights at 1900 hrs. on 147.300Mz. Why not try it?

I hope you all have a great spring and summer, and the weather is good for you. Enjoy your time and be sure and get on the radio!

33, Marilyn, KE7WEN

Corrections & Changes

If someone you know is not getting their YL-Harmonics please send corrections to the Carol, IC4SAF, our US Receiving Treasurer or for DX send to Rose-Marie, ICB4RM, 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



VE News de Suzanne Snape, VE7IM



I want to welcome Yvette Ladouceur, VE3YVT, to YLRL. She is our newest "VE" member. Yvette joined YLRL at the Ft Wayne Hamfest last November. I am very sorry it took so long to have her application processed but delighted to welcome her, at long last.

Yvette lives in Windsor, Ontario. She is active on 20M and enjoys Contesting and DXing. I hope she will try to join the YL-DX Net each Monday @ 15:00utc on 14.288.0 +/- and also check out the many contests and awards listed on our website. Please listen for Yvette on the bands.

Many YLs check in to the YL-DX Net and I understand all are exchanging information for this year's two awards; Grandmothers and Favourite Animals.

Now that Daylight Savings Time is here, I am hopeful I might be able to join them from the west coast of Canada. Impossible for me at 15:00utc during the winter months.

Not much radioactivity to report from my QTH. Did not join in the fun of the CLARA Contest this year and it was unfortunate the conditions were not a little better for all.

Have heard from Philippe, ON4VP, that he is planning his long overdue visit with me this coming summer. I am looking forward to his visit but am disappointed to hear Miriam

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could not arrange her holidays for the same time and will not be coming with him. Miriam and I had such a happy time together in Paris in 2010.

Had a short and interesting trip to Cuba at the beginning of March.

Beautiful waterfalls, secret pools where a couple in our group had a swim, flowers blooming everywhere and then a delicious and enjoyable lunch waiting for us at the end of our trek.

On our last night in Havana we attended a fantastic production of "The Phantom of the Opera" put on by the Spanish dance school of the Cuban Ballet. All this in the very old and ornate Opera House! We had such a nice time and found every Cuban we met to be happy and friendly. Saw children with their school uniforms and satchels going to and from school everyday. Laughing and chattering away just like children everywhere in the world.

My rudimentary Spanish improved but only slightly.

Lots of happy, warm memories. Brought home coffee beans, rum and some cigars. Why cigars ?? I shall never know. Don't know anyone who smokes, anymore, but when in Cuba I think you are expected to buy cigars ~— 33 Suzanne VE7IM

Elizabeth, VE7YL, writes:

Spring may have come on the calendar but it certainly hasn't arrived here on the coast. It has been cold and windy and then sunny and windy and the wind just biting. At least the daffodils are out and they do look cheerful.

After five days of listening for Sarla and her group of hams who are on Bet Shankhodhar AS 1751 finally got the break I was wanting and heard the station AT2DW on CW 20m first thing this morning and then later found and worked Sarla on SSB. That was a thrill, as I know they are going QRT on the 23rd, which is our tomorrow Zulu time. Cutting it short for sure. Really great to hear Sarla but only a few seconds to exchange signal reports as a pileup wanting to work the new IOTA.

33 Elizabeth VE7YL

Paulette, VE7VPE, writes: Well not much news here. We came back from Palm Springs early because I was ready to return home. Still not myself yet from the accident last August and still having lots of headaches and memory loss. My doctor is not pleased and is sending me back to the neurologist to find out if possibly there is more wrong then we know about. Things are moving much slower then I'd like and I could really do

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

Dear YLs,

Spring came early here in Virginia and we have summer temperature and all is green and blooming.

I want to thank all sponsors and members for sending in the membership fees and if you have not received a membership card via e-mail or by post, please let me know.

I thank you for responding with some news and I want to share some notes I got.

EA8MT, Dunia:

I am very well, and very active on radio. Since January 2012 I am QRV on digimodes. This year I took part in three contests: WPX RTTY, ARRL DX SSB and Russian DX. This weekend I will be taking part in the WPX SSB If you visit <http://www.qrz.com/db/ea8mt> you will see a summary of my activity on radio.

I am trying to get the DXCC on all bands, I will soon ask on 12 and 40 meters. I am also QRV on 6 meters and yesterday I worked a new prefix: 9H. I have worked 80 DXCC on the 6 meters band.

Congratulation Dunia you are busy on the band, hope to work you one day.

VK3AGU, Barbara:

Thank you for membership card. Be sure to give my greetings to Joyce and all the other Ham ladies in the area.

Andrew, VK3KIS is still active in our local club Eastern
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Mountain Radio Club-1 don't get to meetings much these days, as I am Practice Manager for a busy wellness chiropractic centre, but do get on the air in my car. Andrew has managed some really good DXs this year.

The weather in Melbourne continues to be Melbourne weather-" all 4 seasons, often in one day." Still find Easter during the autumn and colder weather very strange!

Happy Spring / Happy Autumn!

CT1YH, Lucia, is YLRL member since 1952 and writes:

Thank you for membership card. I am not very active now. I am sending you two photos with some cups and plaques, you can see the YLRL cups and plaques I received for YLRL contests, I was very active then.



Lucia, CT1YH on the radio and with her cups and plaques.



The weather here not very good, no rain and it is bad for the agriculture.

I will try to get on the DX-YL net 14,289 if there is propagation at that time from here. I don't use Internet because of my week eyes.

You can read about me on CQ magazine of December 1955.

I was CR7LU in Mozambique. The only YL with a call and especially on CW, and I am YLRL member since there.

33, Lucia, CT1YH
DL3LS, Ursula:

I am in a home for old people not to far from my own house, and surroundings I know for fifty years. I have no rig with me, so-no QSOs, and no contacts.

Anita, DK1HH phones me and talk about YLs. When I read in newspapers about New England I think of WRONE members, my family sponsor.

Because no hamming I am very interested in Harmonics connection with you all.

Best wishes for best health and best DX.

Ursula

Mio, JR3MVF:

It is nice to be a member of YLRL.

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I visited Ho Chi Minh City with Chae son last October and was on the air from XV. It was the 6th trip to XV.

Ho Chi Minh was changed very much and I could see many new buildings here and there. It was Chae's first trip to Vietnam, so we had sightseeing and shopping to do. We enjoyed our time there and didn't have much time to be on the air.

Sarla, VU2SWS:

DX expedition to Bet Dwarka Island, AT2DW

I wish you all a great summer or winter.

Good Dx-ing,

33, Rose-Marie, KB4RM



Mio, JR3MVF



*Nguyen Bac Ai, XV2A;
Chae Do Sook, XV2KDW;
and Mio, XV2YL*

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"I enjoyed working with my fellow San Fernando Valley Amateur Radio Club members at Stage 13. Several of us have operated together at Field Days and other events, and the B2V gave us the opportunity to once again put those operating skills to work."

Ginger and another SFVARC member manned first shift of the Early Warning Ham station. Early Warning is a critical part of the Relay.



Ginger at the Early Warning Ham station.

Two Hams are stationed a mile outside of the actual stage, and are tasked with calling in the runners' bib numbers and clocking the time (to the second!) for each runner.

Lynn and I have done this eight hour shift (from 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.) all by ourselves some years, so it was nice to split the difference.
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Ginger finished out her night handling the Stage 13 net control, while Lynn and I took over the Early Warning Ham duties, calling in bib numbers and times back to the Stage in the dead of night. Ginger jokingly said, "whenever I hear the 1969 song by Chicago Transit Authority, "Does Anybody Really Know What Time It Is?", I will remember B2V 2012 and smile."

Aside from the great swag (and B2V has some of the best) that you get from an Event, what are the perks for a YL to take her radio skills on the road?

If she has a partner who is also a Ham, having more "couple time" is always a plus—but what's the ultimate draw?

For me, it's getting the chance to operate in a real-time, live environment; this hones your skills like nothing else. Nets help build your comfort level and communication crispness, but an actual Event puts what you learn to the test. You get to deal with concrete conditions and challenges, and you learn get the chance to respond accordingly.

Ginger feels the same, and also sees the historical and

cultural value of the Amateur hobby being put on display for all to see. "Participating in Events show that the amateur radio community is still a valuable communication resource capable of setting up operations just about anywhere we are needed. I enjoy being part of a team working together to support an Event. Each experience is different even for the same Event from year-to-year."

So YLs of all shapes, sizes, and skill sets. Ginger and I exhort you to stop hiding behind those keys and mikes, grab your HT (or portable Key), and test your skills at an Event.

As of this writing, we are enjoying the MRCG in San Luis Obispo, California, and I will have pics and such for the next issue of YL *Harmonics*—hopefully it will also include your Event happenings, news, or just what you have been up to lately. This is DE 6's column, and you are what makes it worth picking up the *Harmonics* each month.

Have an awesome rest of your Summer!

33&73

Jennifer Oliver O'Connell,
KI6OIL

Continuous Membership de Lois Gutshall, WB3EFQ



Continuous Membership Certificate

The certificate for continuous membership is awarded only to YLRL members who have maintained continuous membership in the organization for five (5) years. Diamond-shaped stickers are then awarded for each additional five (5) years of **continuous** membership. Certificates are issued for 50 years and more.

The following have achieved milestones in their continuous membership in YLRL:

5 Year Certificate

Sheila Gabriel, G3HCQ; Lydia Morgan, KF4TPW; Janet Poole, 7Q7YL;
RillaJ. Babits, KA7NCQ

10 Year Stickers

Carole Boehler, KF4TJJ; Chae Do Sook HL1KDW;
Gloria Borgrink, KE4JEH; Joy Lemmons, KBYUP; Christine Taylor, VK5CTY

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REJOINS

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N3LY Linda Yankovica
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DISTRICT 8

KC8SYF Dorothy O'Nil-
Meleski
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Dorothy is an Extra class license and is mostly on 2 and contests at Field Day. Her OM is George, KC8RJS.

DISTRICT 10

K0UH Judy Regennitter
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Judy is an Extra class license with many former calls. She is active 10m-18m and likes SSB contesting. Her OM is Fred, K4IU and her brother is Patrick Mulvihill, N9LWQ.

KC0SKD Donna Schaffer
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Donna has a General class license and is active on all bands as well as being a long time ARRL member. Her OM is KA0SVY and her son-in-law is KD0BTT.

Welcome to these new and returning members!
We look forward to meeting you on the air soon!

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without all these headaches!!

I haven't been near a radio in so long I've forgotten what they look like.

When John is doing contests or listening to HF I have to vacate the area because my head just can't stand the noise and pitches of tone.

I'm hoping that things will improve so that I can enjoy the spring, if it ever arrives, and summer. Hope all is well with everyone else. Paulette VE7VPB

Ann, VE3HAI, writes: She has been busy in a good way. Her family was home for a special celebration. That's always a very super treat. She has still managed to go to a couple of flea markets. As you read this, Dayton will just be a memory, but undoubtedly a good one.

Ann hopes everyone has a great summer. If you are traveling to Ontario this summer, send her an email. The coffee pot is always on when she and Bare are in town.

For those of you who went to the 2012 YL Meet in Australia, She hopes that you had a super time and took lots of photos. She would love to see them. Until next time, be safe and stay healthy. 33 de Ann, VE3HAI

Vai, VE5AQ writes: Hello everyone from VE5-Land.

First off, I wish to thank everyone for your prayers for my surgery. I thank God for giving me such a wonderful Ophthalmologist/ surgeon. He did an excellent job. I had the surgery on March 20th and stayed in hospital until March 23rd. This was major eye surgery, and of course had a lovely shiner. The only thing that bothers me is the looks a woman gets with a black eye and a really bad bruising on the cheek. Anyway, most of the bruising is gone, and I am doing

great.

Had the stitches out on the 29th, and don't go back to see the doctor for another 6 weeks. Then we can begin the process of discussing doing the right eye. Which I hope will be done at the end of August. Once again, thank everyone for your prayers, they are gratefully appreciated.

The website is up to date. I still have loads of pictures from Cheryl, N0WBV to put on, but now I must ask what you want, do you want me to remove some of the ones we have on, or just keep adding. I was thinking of keeping them as they are for now, and then later changing them, which would make sense as then you have something different to check out.

My Boss Yvonne, ZR6TBL, will be putting on a Blog and also changing some of the menu buttons from the left over to the right. She knows how to do that, I haven't learned that yet—question is—do I want to?? Hi Hi. Now the rest is up to all of our members. If there is something that you want to see on the website, stories, photos, or other interesting info, please, please send it to me.

Our members are worldwide, so let/s hear from the gals in faraway places and really make this an International Women's radio site. Please don't worry if your English is not great, I was a secretary for 40 years and I can fix any grammar error. We need to hear from you.

I am getting busy with the Saskatchewan Hamfest that takes place June 28th at the Manitou Springs Hotel and Convention Centre, and I am the Chairperson in charge. I

will have my YLRL and CLARA displays up.

Lastly, we have a new member for YLRL. Her name is Angeles EA1HLW and she is from Spain. I am so proud to sponsor her into our organization. I was in such a hurry to let everyone know, that I put her flag, name and callsign on the website before Rose-Marie even got the Money Order. Welcome Angeles. She is a great DXer, so if you hear her on the bands give her a shout and say hello.

That's it for now; hope everyone has a wonderful summer. Prayers to those who need them, and for those who want them. Hugs to everyone else. 33ValVE5AQ

Jeanne, VE3WX, writes: It was a warm month of March and spring sprucing up of her QTH began with a new roof on her house and it sure makes the house look like knew. The CLARA contest was a disaster at Jeanne's QTH as she just could not compete with the high powdered OMs in the World Wide contest. She has the lowest score in years. Happy Spring to one and all. 33s Jeanne, VE3WX

Linda, VE1QT, writes:

Since we last talked: 1.1 did the NSARA contest here in Nova Scotia. 2. Did the CLARA contest. 3. Finished my Grandmother award and my Favourite Animal award.

Now, I am working on the Great-Grandmother award, the YLRL-YL Century Club (all in Canada, if possible) award, worked all States-YL award and DXCC-YL Award. I am looking forward to my trip to Alaska and my 65th Birthday on July 29th. Have a good day, all. 33 Linda, VE1QT

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