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Scholarship Information De Linda Hynan, AC5QQ

Memorial Scholarships Ethel Smith, K4LMB Mary Lou Brown, NM7N

From:

In Memory of:
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Jay Redfearn WD5GCP

Texas YL Round Up Net (TYLRUN) Linda Hynan, AC5QQ

Jay was the husband of long time TYLRUN member Evelyn, N5BOT.

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To make a donation

Make your check payable to: <u>YLRL Scholarship Fund</u> Send your donation to: Linda Hynan, AC5QQ

Linda Hynan, AC5QQ

YLRL Scholarship applications are due in April.

YLRL offers two memorial scholarships to college-bound radio amateurs. Each \$1500 scholarship is in memory of two past YLRL Presidents. One scholarship is in memory of the founder, Ethel Smith, K4LMB; the other is in memory of Mary Lou Brown, NM7N.

These scholarships are administered by The Foundation for Amateur Radio, Inc. (FAR). FAR has been managing scholarships on behalf of FAR and other sponsors since 1961. YLRL became a part of the FAR scholarship system in 1978 starting with a \$300 scholarship award. Today we support 2 scholarships for a total of \$3000.

Information about applying for these scholarships can be found on the FAR website (www.farweb.org). Last year, applications were due on April 15th.

Remember to renew your membership. Though
January 1st is the deadline, you are not delinquent
until March 31st!



I can't believe it is 2013 already! And, don't forget, if you haven't already done so, it is time to renew your membership.

There is a lot going on in the YLRL.

We are back to our old web name, www.ylrl.org. Yeah! It is so much easier to remember. And thanks to the collaborative effort with the expertise and time of Yvonne, ZR6TBL and Marianne, ZR6JMT in South Africa and Vai, VE5AQ, in Canada, the site looks great. Check it often.

The events page is a new feature—keep letting us know what we should put there.

We continue to support women in our hobby through our Scholarship Fund. Annually, two \$1500.00 awards are made through the Foundation for Amateur Radio to deserving women.

We try to increase the principle through donations and a fund drive every Convention year; as you can imagine, low interest rates mean that we dip

President's Message de Doshia Kretke, KB0NAS



into the principle to complete the scholarship funding.

Linda Hynan, AC5QQ, is the chair of the Scholarship Committee. You can contact her at LSHynan@hot.rr.com, or 1312 Western Ridge Drive, Waco, TX 76712.

We also sponsor the DX Adoptee program. Many DX YLs are members of YLRL because a US member has paid their dues. The complexity of converting another currency to dollars and then transmitting the money to our receiving secretary is just too great. A benefit of adopting a DX YL is the long-term friendship that develops through letters, on the air contacts or even visits between the YLs.

In return, the DX YLs often provide membership in their national club for their sponsor. If you are interested in adopting a DX YL, contact Rose Marie Battig, KB4RM, for more information at POBox 8185, Charlottesville, VA 22906-8185 or chas2rm2.va@embarqmail. com. If you currently sponsor

a DX-YL, don't forget to renew her membership also, with the DX-YL form. Remember dues for your DX sponsorees do NOT go to the same treasurer as your US/Canadian dues. Please mail US/Canada to Carol, K4SAF and all DX dues to Rose Marie, KB4RM. If the dues are combined we will have to send your payment back and it will be delayed. Thank you!-The Editor

When you renew-how about inviting a friend? We are a group of international reach, but YLs are still a small minority among hams, as I am sure you will have noted at most gathering of hams. Personal contact remains the best way to encourage new and veteran hams and help them learn more about YLRL and our shared hobby.

Downloadable forms and information are also available at our site, http://www.ylrl. org. U.S. dues remain only \$15.

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Vice President's Info De Linda Metz, KC8PKY

YL Contests, Nets and Hamfest Booths

Due to the Editor's delay, the Vice-President's column would have been out of date. It was received timely, but no longer is applicable for an upcoming contest. Look for more from Linda next issue!

New YLRL Members de Anne Manna, WBIARU-Secretary



New Members for January/February 2013

Welcome to this new member! We look forward to meeting you on the air soon!

DISTRICT 1

KB1LPW Kathleen G. Savage

Kathleen is a nurse practitioner who holds a General class license. She is active with the North Shore Repeater Asso. and participates in many public service events. She is also involved with Special Olympics and the MS Society. Her OM is KB1LYJ, Rick.

DISTRICT 6

AG60W Linda G. Postenrieder

Linda holds an Extra class license and has code knowledge from her Naval Academy days. She likes to go on DXpeditions. Her former call was KJ6EIA.

DISTRICT 9

I<Z9L Susan M. Kent

Susan is an Engineer who holds an Extra license. She is active on 20 meters and enjoys DX. Her former call was KA9MJG

AE5QM Doreen Everett

Doreen holds an Extra license. Her OM is WA5LOU, Lou.

DISTRICT 10

Rejoining

KC0GM Carol Cooper

Carol is a retired college professor who is getting back into radio after a long absence. She enjoys contests (for fun) and also DX on 10 and 20 as well as 15 and 75. Former calls include KN7HDL, WB9CJQ and WD0BNP. She holds an Extra class license.

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.

Youth News de OPEN

YLs 17 and under, we need to hear from you!

Emily needs to retire, so please let us know if you are a Youth YL who is interested in writing the Youth News for *YL-Harmonics*. If you have questions on the position, don't hesitate to ask the President, Editor or your local District Chairwoman. All information can be found at the front of this edition.

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Stage 13 early on



Stage 13 in Action!

to keep the skills fresh: "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."

In September, Ruth, W6LXL volunteered to be Net Control for the 100-mile Palm 2 Pine Race in Oregon. Ruth extolled that "(i]t was fun to get acquainted with some of the Oregon hams and learn about their activities. Try it!"

I hope 2013 brings everyone opportunities to volunteer, connect, rag chew, and attend Fests that expand your world and the presence of YLs within this fair hobby. Please email me

with your news, events, and happenings so I can continue to inform and inspire your fellow YLs. Who knows, next January YOU might be the one to make the 2013 cut for most active DE6 Members!

33&73 Jennifer Oliver O'Connell



District One News de Roberta Donohue, W1JX

Hello to all. A new year is upon us again and I hope that the last one was a good one for you. The fall luncheon meeting of Women Radio Operators of New England (WRONE) was held on November 3,2012 at O'Connor's Pub in Worcester, MA. We had a dozen attendees and had a wonderful lunch and a great time. The group has met there several times before and they have always treated us very well.

My OM, Tom, and I were fortunate to be able to travel to Maryland for the Thanksgiving holiday. Family members from Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania gathered together for a feast and reunion.

On the trip down, we noted a lot of downed trees and missing shingles on roofs as a result of Hurricane Sandy. We here in New England were spared the devastation caused by that storm and we consider ourselves very lucky.

The weather in New England was mild as we went into the Christmas season. We have not been seeing the snowfalls of long-ago Decembers recently. Apparently, the weather patterns are changing every where.

The "Yankee Lassies Net" which meets every Wednesday morning at 8:30 a.m. on

3.912 MHz has been well attended lately, but could always use a few more checkins.

The net is open to all YLs, whether in New England or not, so if you have the time, please join us.

I am writing this just before the Christmas holidays.
By the time you get this, they
will be in the past. I hope that
they will have been happy
for all of you. My OM, Tom,
and I are looking forward to
a month-long stay in Hawaii
in January. Hopefully, I will
have a lot to share with you
following that trip.

Best 33 to all from Bobbie, W1JX

If you have already renewed for 2013... THANK YOU!

If you haven't, please send in your dues as soon as possible. Remember US/Canada goes to Carol, K4SAF and all DX dues (Including Sponsorships) go to Rose Marie, KB4RM

District 2 News de OPEN

Dear District 2 members. With Joyce resigning in the November/December issue, we need YOU! If there is anyone interested in talcing on this position or more about what it entails, please contact one of the YLRL officers. Names and information are located at the beginning of each issue. Thank you! Also thanks to Carol, K4SAF for her help as a guest columnist. —The Editor

I am acting as a "Guest" Columnist for District 2 this issue. Most of you recognize me as the Receiving Treasurer for the U.S. and Canada, K4SAF, Carol Laferty, in Kentucky. The mailbox has been full lately receiving your applications and dues for 2013, and I am still not totally caught up with the processing.

To give you some idea of the numbers for **District 2**, YLs in New Jersey and New York, here are some statistics, as of Feb 8,2013. Since I keep the database and sorting data is so easy with it, you don't have to be a Statistician to come up with these numbers.

First off, in 2012 we had 16 members from District 2. There were 6 from NJ and 10

from NY. So far in 2013, in NJ none have yet renewed! We miss you NJ. For our NY YLs, 4 have renewed and we have a new member. She is Nancy Nivison, KC2ZRY, from Cortland, NY. We are so happy to have you aboard, Nancy. She was first licensed in 2011, and she is a member of the Seven Valley ARC and the West Valley ARC. She does say her winter QTH is Peoria, AZ, so she may be there right now.

So, NY and NJ YLs, be sure to send in your renewals soon. We don't want to lose any members in 2013, and hope that we will gain new ones. I wish we would make it a priority for each one of us to recruit one new YL in 2013. Think how our numbers would grow!

Each one of us should vow to become more active on the bands.

Along with the dues each year, I get some of the nicest notes, which make my job so much more pleasurable.

Many of our members are now older and many have had to move into assisted living facilities. They tell me they miss ham radio and cannot participate in it now. But they always add they want to keep up their membership and enjoy reading *Harmonics* to see what we are doing. That is beyond wonderful in my logbook.

I hope this latest blizzard will not make life too difficult for you.

33 for now, Carol, K4SAF.



District Three News de Cecilia Bastone, KB3VEN

Dear District 3 members. We have lost contact with our District 3 Chairwoman and her phone number is no longer correct. If there is anyone interested in taking on this position or more about what it entails, please contact one of the YLRL officers. Names and information are located at the beginning of each issue. Thank you! Also thanks to Carol, K4SAF for her help as a guest columnist. —The Editor

I am acting as a "Guest" Columnist for District 3, as well as District 2, in this issue. Most of you recognize me as the Receiving Treasurer for the U.S. and Canada, K4SAF, Carol Laferty, in Kentucky. The mailbox has been full lately receiving your applications and dues for 2013, and I am happy to say, since I wrote District 2's column, I am caught up on all applications and checks!

To give you some idea of the numbers for **District** 3, YLs in Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, here are some statistics, as of Feb 13, 2013. Since I keep the database and sorting data is so easy with it, you don't have to be a Statistician to come up with these numbers.

First off, in 2012 we had 21 members from District 3. There were 18 from PA, 3 from MD, and none from Delaware or DC.

So far in 2013, in there are 3 renewals in PA, 1 in MD, and still none in DE or DC. YLs in PA and MD please see if you can recruit a member from Delaware and Washington, DC!

Our US and Canadian total membership was 325 in 2012, and so far in 2013, it is 109. So we have many more renewals to come in. Please note I am not including our many DX members in these numbers. Rose-Marie Battig keeps those records and as of this writing, I do not know the number of DX.

Be sure to send in your renewals soon. We don't

want to lose any members in 2013, and hope that we will gain new ones.

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Greetings fellow YLs:

First of all I wish you all a very Happy 2013 and hope you and yours experience good health and happiness in this upcoming year. From Jonelle, KJ4WSN:

I flunked retirement again. They asked me to come back to my previous job at Bayshore Baptist Church after their secretary quit and they didn't have anyone who knew how to cut checks and pay the bills, so I am filling in TEMPORARILY (I keep telling them that) 3 half-days a week. I think I'm too old to go to a job eyery day.

Jonelle

I didn't receive much news from 4-land, so I guess I'll just share a few experiences of my own.

As we all know, propagation has been very uncooperative as of late. I have been on the radio, but not nearly as much as I'd like. I am presently in Florida (at my main QTH) but must work with less than desirable conditions.

I live in a gated community (moved here prior to becoming a ham radio operator) with many restrictions but the most detrimental to me being "NO antennas". That being the case, I have done a fair

District Four News de Joan Jones, W4JMJ

amount of research on stealth or compromise antennas. I have erected 2 stealth antennas BUT they are a compromise! They certainly do not perform like a 50-foot tower with a Mosley beam.

However, they do get me out and on the air (especially when conditions allow). So, that being said, I have been on 20 and 40 meters during the day especially. Nighttime is when conditions seem less favorable for my setup.

Fortunately for me my other QTH (north Georgia) allows greater freedom in the antenna situation. I was up there for the summer and fall. My world ng conditions there allow for an extended double Zepp up 35 feet. It is much easier to hear and be heard under those conditions. And it's more fun playing ham radio!

I did manage to check into our Thursday night net a few times while up in Georgia and it was great chatting with the YLs on frequency.

I would like to share with you our newest addition to our family. We lost our 13-year-old Yorkie, Coco just before Christmas 2011. She was the best dog ever and will be missed.



Sophia

Before long, we thought our (then 1 year old) Yorkie, Gigi needed some companionship. So, we decided to adopt a rescue Border collie mix into the family. Sophia is the best friend of her "sister" Gigi. It seems to be a match made in heaven. Isn't it amazing how much joy and comfort our furry friends bring! I hope you enjoy the picture. And, as always I look forward to hearing from you with any news and pictures to share.

I wish you all the best in this New Year.

73, W4JMJ-Joan Jones



Hello to all.

Boy! 2012 has gone by so fast, and you think of all the friends you have and all the new friends you have made at all the radio activities and you can't help but be blessed.

We had an exciting evening at the local DX Christmas Dinner our 9 yr old Grandson Brandon KF5NYQ received a surprise he got to meet one of the operators from the Malpelo Island DX-pedition which was his first DX contact for his log book. Brandon asked Mr. Bob Allphin, K4UEE to autograph his card.



Brandon, KF5NYQ and Bob, K4UEE

He also met Mr. Mike Tessmer, K9NW of the Swains Island DXpedition what a night.

Our 2013 schedule for Regal-Brown is filling fast so hope to see you at some of the 5th District Hamfest.

Also would like to Thank each of you in 5th District for being so faithful in sending in your news and I am look-

District Five News de Betty Jo Byrd, KB5CSQ

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ing forward to hearing more great news for the year 2013.

Winnsboro, TX, KD5MD, Zenda.

Not much of radio news from here. Jim (OM, NX5B) was diagnosed with cancer in the spring & we spent most of the summer trying to find out what kind of cancer he has & how to treat it. The nodule that was removed on his neck is the only cancer they could find in his body.

Seems he has C.U.P., cancer of unknown primary never heard of such until now. Jim spent 28 days of October having radiation treatments on his neck.

Actually we spent 1 hour to the radiation center, 1 hour home, the treatments took less than 15 minutes. He was on the radio many hours trying to occupy his mind. I let him have as much time as he wanted.

I know I told you we had 2 great-grandsons, well sometime shortly after Christmas we will add 2 more great-grandsons. Our oldest grandson & his wife are expecting twins.

Sometime after' the holidays are over, in January, I will have the achy bunion on my foot repaired. It will be great to be able to put my feet into something other than wide sneakers.

Zenda

Driftwood, TX, K5YTT, Grace,

Radio is still at the bottom of my list, but the OM, Bob, K5KDN, meets a daily morning net.

It was there that he learned of the passing of Harriett Woehst, K5BJU, a founding light of GAYLARKs in 1959.

Bob and I attended her memorial service, the only YL able to make it. Harriett's OM, Kirby, showed his 89 years.

I'm still quite busy with church work and some music at home. I've retired from public performance, both choir and instrumental. Grace,

Seminole, OK, KC5RWW, Beth,

Seems I've lost my motivation to get on the air. Never know when the OM is going to get home from work.

I did contact one station on 10M this weekend for some kind of 10M contest. Maybe when he goes back to work

District 5 News Continued on Page 19

District Six News de Jennifer O'Connell, KI6OIL

Happy New Year, DE6!



Jennifer, Lyn and Family!

Here is my wish to you for a peaceful, prosperous 2013, with lots of great communications on-air, online, or face-to-face. That⁷s what it's all about!

I wrote about this concept of YL styles of communication in the January issue of *World Radio Online*. Gary Pearce, KN4AQ runs the HamNow YouTube Channel, and he interviewed a veteran YL-Mary Moore, WX4MM and a teen YL -Erin King, AK4JG (winner of the 2012 AR Newsline's Young Ham of the Year award) for his channel.

I deconstruct both interviews, as well as talk about the future of YL interest in the hobby. KN4AQ laments to both Mary, EX4MM and Erin, AK4JG that "the Amateur Radio hobby is populated by mostly bald, aging men, with very few active YLs." I beg to differ

with him and point out the fact that YLs solicit and coordinate their activity differently than OMs.

I point to the communities of YLs, both nationally and internationally, who are active on-air, online, and face-toface.

If you are a subscriber to Zinio (an online magazine distribution arm) you can read the article here (http://www.zinio.com/pages/WorldRadioOnline/

Jan-13/416247910/pg-29), otherwise, feel free to email me and I can send you a PDF copy.

Here are the details about some of our most active members in the district in 2012.

The honorable mentions for active DE6 YLs of 2012 go: to Teri Bloom, W6TRB; Donna M. Hinshaw, AG6V; Dr. Carol Milazzo, KP4MD; Ginger Wonderling, AB6YL; and, Ruth Hinkle, W6LXL.

Teri, W6TRB reported about her time at the Dayton Ham vention, her volunteer services on the USS Midway and other museum ship happenings during the year.

Donna, AG6V reported about her excursion to the U.S. Open, her on-air CW

adventures, and time at Pacificon 2012.

Dr. Carol, KP4MD was elected President of the River City Amateur Radio Communications Society in Sacramento, gave a well-received presentation (with her OM) at Pacificon 2012 on the West Coast 2 meter WSPR study, and their documentary video on the Arecibo Observatory, and Dr. Carol continues to be active promoting the hobby across her region.



Ginger, AB6YL

Ginger, AB6YL did a few big Events this year, most notably Baker to Vegas in Las Vegas, Nevada.

She encouraged YLs to get out there and volunteer

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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.

Certificates given out in 2012:

YL-DX Certificate

Certificate # 308 Adriaan Willeboordse (The Netherlands) PA0ATG 12/15/12 Endorsement stickers for 35,45,55,65, and 75 contacts

Certificate # 309 Dunai (Canary Islands) EA8MT 12/15/12 and Endorsement sticker for 35contacts

WAC-YL Certificate

Certificate # 1520 Toshiaki Hara (Japan) 12/15/12 SSB Certificate # 1521 Dunia (Canary Islands) EA8MT SSB

YLCC Certificate

Rosel Zenker (Germany) DL3KWR 12/15/12 endorsement stickers for 300 and 350 contacts Kurt Bindschedler (Switzerland) HB9MX 12/15/12 endorsement sticker for 2050 contacts.

GRANDMOTHER CERTIFICATE

Certificate # 001 Suzanne Snape (Canada) VE7IM

Certificate # 002 Linda Harvey (Canada) VE1QT

Certificate # 003 Christa Elksnat (Germany) DJ1TE

2012 FAVORITE ANIMAL CERTIFICATE

Certificate #001 Rose-Marie Battig (Virginia) KB4RM 4/22/12

Certificate #002 Cheryl Muhr (Colorado) N0WBV 6/5/12

Certificate #003 Heather Holmes (Canada) VE3HOH 12/10/2012

Certificate #004 Joanne Hurney (NJ) KC2QGH 12/15/12

Certificate #005 Martha Wessel (Kansas) K0EPE 12/15/12

Certificate #006 Suzanne Snape (Canada) VE7IM 12/15/12

Certificate #007 Linda Harvey (Canada) VE1QT 12/15/12



2013 YLRL FAVORITE FOOD CERTIFICATE RULES

The 2013 YLRL certificate will be called the 2013 YLRL FAVORITE FOOD CERTIFICATE! This one should be a lot of fun because I know we all like to eat and if you want you can even exchange recipes, but recipes are not needed to work toward this award! It's also a great opportunity to find out about foods that are more specific to other parts of the USA or other countries. Hmmm ... I hope we don't all gain weight while working on this award. <grin>

Here are the rules for this new award ...

- 1. Talk to YL's and tell each other what your favorite food is. If you don't have a favorite food, just choose a food that is specific to your area or country. You have to be specific. Choose a food, not a category. In other words, saying pies or cookies is not good enough. You will need to specify what type of pie or cookie ... apple pie, for instance, or chocolate chip cookies will work fine. I'm already getting hungry!
- 2. You will need to collect 15 foods. All 15 foods must be different.
- 3. You will need one YL for each food. You can only use a food once. You can also only use a YL once.
- 4. All contacts must be made during the 2013 year (January 1 December 31, 2013).
- 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 foods must be exchanged over the air. You can not e-mail someone after the contact and ask them for their favorite food.
- 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 FOOD.
- 9. Send your list, in food alphabetical order, to the Certificates Manager at any time during the year, but no later than the end of January 2013 to receive your certificate.
- 10. This certificate is available ONLY to YL's.
- 11. Applications may be submitted by e-mail

A few hints on the foods ...

- 1. Be specific in your choice of your favorite food. Choose something you think will be different.
- 2. You can't ask for a specific food, but you can ask the person to be more specific if they say "pies", "calces", or "vegetables", etc. Saying mixed vegetables, or corn, or lima beans if fine. You must let them give you the food.
- 3. The food does NOT have to be something you know how to make, although it can be. It can also be something you eat at your favorite restaurant, or at a picnic, etc. For instance, you can say, "Subway's meatball sub" or Frisch's Big Boy sandwich", etc..
- 4. If you don't have a favorite food, just choose one. Look in a cookbook, or ask a friend or checkout your favorite restaurant or look on the internet.

2013 YLRL FAVORITE FOODS AWARD APPLICATION

NAME:
CALLSIGN:
ADDRESS:

YLRL MEMBER? (circle one) YES NO

FOOD	CALLSIGN	NAME	DATE	TIME	FREQ	MODE
Water Committee						
MANAGEMENT AND CONTRACT OF THE STREET						

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

In Our Thoughts

Barclay Goodhue Nutter

(April 8,1932 - December 31,2012)

Died peacefully at home on December 31, 2012. He was a devoted husband to Ann and loving father to Jean (Kevin) and Janet (Steve). He was justifiably proud of Iris grandchildren Kelsey and Neil. Bare held the radio amateur call sign, VE3HAH, for many years. There will be no funeral as per his wishes, however, should you want to make a donation in his name to the Toronto Wildlife Centre, 60 Carl Hall Rd., Toronto ON M3I< 2C1, it would be most appreciated. Our thoughts go out to Ann, VE3HAI and her family.

Marte, K0EPE sent in this missive:

I am sad to report that Irma Weber, K6KCI had a stroke in September. She is now at the following address:

Irma Weber, K6KCI
Saratoga Retirement Community

The people at desk will answer the phone number. They will take phone to Irma. I called Irma today. (Jan 30) Not sure she remembered me but she repeated my call K0EPE so perhaps she will later.

Anne, WB1ARU wrote in to let us know to keep **Truus**, **VE3MRS** / **P49TR** in our thoughts on the unexpected death of her sister in NL.

"I heard this on the DX- YL net this AM. Truus had been in NL just a month or 2 ago, so she did not go for the funeral last week. According to what she said, her sister was sick for a very short time."

Please be thinking about District 8 Chairwoman-Annette, **KC8SQM** and her OM as they deal with his illnesses. She sent this in to share: Sorry I haven't been sending anything but my husband has been in the hospital and I just brought him home and have been busy arranging home help and tilings. His Alzheimer's has gotten worse and his bladder cancer is acting up again and he will probably have a cystoscopy in the next 2 weeks.

Another YLRL member to keep in your thoughts is one of our webmasters. **Yvonne**, **ZR6TBL's** OM-Ton, ZS6ANA passed away Feb 8, 2013.

From Burnette, a longtime member and very active YLRL member became a Silent Key-Alverta Look, K5MIZ.

"Alverta and I had a friendship of longstanding and had been the two remaining "older" members of the GULF AREA YOUNG LADIES AMATEUR RADIO LEAGUE (GAYLARKS) which was instituted in 1957.

It has since been dissolved, like so many others: AGE! Many of our YLs have gone to their heavenly reward, others have moved to retirement facilities. Our Houston hams will miss Alverta terribly. From her obituary:

She was a ham radio operator, K5MIZ, and was actively involved and volunteered in numerous church, neighborhood and community organizations. The family suggests memorial donations may be made to Gethsemane Lutheran Church, or a Charity of your choice."

Our sympathies to our members and their families.

District Seven News de Marilyn Melhorn, KE7WEN



It is now Dec 24th, Christmas Eve at 9pm. I'm sitting at my laptop alter making 2 new Christmas stockings for visitors that are coming Dec 27th. Our Christmas will be on Dec 28th this year so I have time to do other things I need to get done. I hope you all have/had a veiy Merry Christmas and also have a very Happy New Year. I state in that sentence 'have/had' because for me here and now Christmas is tomorrow!

I am all ready for Christmas this year except to wrap gifts. That won't be too bad. We celebrate at our son's home with his family and our other grown kids and our grandkids. But this year a sister-in-law, a niece and her husband will be with us. So it will really be a fun time. They come from District 6 land. Anyway I do hope you all get to have as good a holiday as I know mine will be with all the family

and extended family combined.

Clark Co Amateur Radio Club did their Christmas party the first week of December. Unfortunately I wasn't able to go. There's lots of food and friends there. There's also a white elephant gift time. (I wonder where they got that term 'White Elephant Gift"?) Then there's the Walk and Knock that I was able to participate in. I really enjoy it because they usually send me out in the rural areas of Clark Co, WA. We live rural and I get to go further out yet. I do love finding new roads and seeing where people live. Once I get the bags of food I take it to the food bank to drop off. It's amazing how much they collect this time of year. There was so much there. Then I get to go shopping. So it ends up being almost a full day for me. It's fun too.

The club also is starting to plan the Clark Co. Ham

Fair for 2013. The man that heads it up, Larry Bloomquist, W7HGC, is great. He really promotes YLs in the events he plans. So I'll be going to some of the planning meetings and we'll have a YL table at the fair. Really nice!! He also heads up Field Day in June and I'll have a table there too. Margaret, AE7MB, made a gorgeous banner for us and will send me a picture to share next issue.

Barbara, AC7UH, is already planning her YL Tech class for 2013. This is the third one she and a few other YLs have done. It looks like it will be a yearly event. What a great way to get more YLs involved in amateur radio. The classes appear to be a big success. Good job Barbara, AC7UH; Lisa, KE7HPW; Margaret, AE7MB; and Janna, WA7JDN.

I hope all of you are enjoying good health and a great start to the New Year.

Marilyn, KE7WEN



District Eight News de Annette Wood, ICC8SQM

Sorry I haven't been sending anything but my husband has been in the hospital and I just brought him home and have been busy arranging home help and things. His Alzheimer's has gotten worse and his bladder cancer is acting up again and he will probably have a cystoscopy in the next 2 weeks.

Editor's Note: Please keep Annette and her OM in your thoughts and don't forget to send her news as you have it. If you are unsure if she received something from you for the next issue, you may also check with the Editor as well. It has certainly been an illness-laden start to the New Year for many YLRL members!

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on Thursdays I can join in the Thursday evening YL net.

Beth

Ravenden, AR, KA5GIS, Carol.

I have some news, not exactly ham related but maybe if we stretch the definition just a wee bit... There's a new (potential) ham and his name is Rowen.

He is the son of Colin Kirk KA1UKR and grandson of Carol KA5GIS, born Nov. 23, 2012. Perhaps in another 7 or 8 years he will get his ticket, joining dad, grandma, grandpa, WB7OWM and aunt, KF5OTU. Carol

Milan, NM, KC7KPG, Judith,

Not much to report from New Mexico.

We will campout for 10 days with about 500 ham radio operators at Quartzfest 2013 mid-January in Quartzsite AZ. Then travel on to the

Yuma Hamfest mid-February. These two events are the highlight for our winter. It is the once a year events to see ham friends from throughout the U.S. and Canada.

The radios are in the motor home. We'll have email, Internet, and cell phones too. Hope you can hear me mobile Thursday evenings on the YLRL net.

33, Judy

Gulfport, MS, KB5MZ, Southern Mississippi YL,

The new club officers for 2013-President, BJ Byrd, KB5CSQ; Vice President, Anna Allen, KF5KDL; Secretary, Sue West, AA5YL; Treasurer, Karen Yordy, KA5EPR; and Activities Director, Jackie Platts, AE5WV. The group has their Board of Directors meetings scheduled for 1st week of January 2013 and are planning quarterly activities such as tours. Bunco, bottle

slumping for fundraisers and of course radio operation.

Our newly elected Treasurer Karen Yordy, KA5EPR was the holder of the winning raffle ticket for the ICOM 7600 HF radio drawing at the combined Christmas Dinner of the Magnolia DX & Great Southern DX on Dec 8th, some of you may have talked to Karen on the Thursday night YLRL net.

BJ KB5CSQ



Karen, KA5EPR



District Nine News de Carole Burke WB9RUS



Happy winter, ladies. Christmas is over and what a Christmas it was!! I! We had our whole family here except our grandson, Sean, KC80AV. He decided to have Christmas in Dayton at his girlfriend's house this year because he gave her an engagement ring that morning.

We are so happy for them; she is such a sweetheart and is already a part of the family. The happy couple did come to grandma and grandpa's to spend New Years with us. So all in all our holidays were really special.

Our Fort Wayne Radio club YL net is still meeting weekly on 146.76 at 1900 EST. Besides out usual check-ins we do have an OM once in a while. We had one from Illinois; he heard us and checked in to find out where we were. We love having OM check in, they always seem amused with our conversations. I don't know why, just because we usually talk about food, movies, Tom Selleck, Nathan Fillian and other good looking guys. So we don't disappoint the guys, we do exchange recipes once in a while. ©

Our foxhunting season is over for a couple of months and will start up again in February. I hope we do better in 2013 than we did in 2012. We *hope you do as well, Carole! -Editor*.

I hope everyone has a great 2013. I, for one, am very glad to have 2012 over with and look forward to a HEALTHY 2013. I wish the same for everyone, a happy, healthy 2013.

33, Carole WB9RUS

It's baaack! The website is now back to the original domain at www.ylrl.org and you don't have to worry about logging in as of now. Don't forget to bookmark it and find out the latest on YLRL happenings, contests, officers and more. Check it out today!



Well Ladies, it has certainly been an interesting start to the New Year! I hope everyone is doing well in District 10

November/December and January/February are being shipped together because I am running late as Editor. My nieces managed to give me the Nasty Flu going around and I was down a couple of weeks.

It isn't that I mind the downtime.. .outside of hating to be sick; it is the PILES of things to deal with when I recover. HI HI

I must have had over 800 emails in my inbox and then my computer decided to relist everything I hadn't deleted from the server! That almost doubled it.

Of course you can't just delete things willy-nilly when that happens! I had to look at each one and make sure I didn't zap something important.

As it is, I managed to put the District 7 and AK columns in a parent folder. The good news I didn't LOSE them, but I did have to find them again. Ah well, that's computers for ya!

I recently went to a local Hamfest in Brighton, Colorado and was delighted to see the number of YLs there. District Ten News de Cheryl Muhr, NOWBV

Many OMs picked up YLRL information for the XYLs as well.

Cheyenne, NOCKS not only renewed her membership, but got her (Step)mother involved as well.

Heidi's new call is WOWRN. We are glad to have you as members in 2013. I just wish I had remembered a camera!

We are also managing to get our antennas back up. Over the years, things wear out and just need maintenance. We have a verticle STEPIR and Di-poles. This year the OM-John, KTOF has added more on the VHF antenna side, so hopefully I will be able to make the Thursday night nets again...and more YLs will be able to hear me!

What a great way to work on the new, yummy 2013 Friendship Award!

President, Doshia, KB0-NAS is working hard for YLRL. Like me, she plans to attend the Dayton Hamvention® this May. I hope to see a lot of 10th District YLs there.

I am also excited that next year will be YLRL's 75th Anniversary!!!! What a milestone. I know there will be more details about the Convention to celebrate it in the next issue and at the Dayton YL forum

as well. Start making plans now!

Marte, K0EPE and I got to chat some this bright New Year. It is always a pleasure to talk to Marte.

She has poured her heart and soul into both the Colorado-YLs and YLRL for MANY years now. When you are making plans for the 2014 convention, don't forget to save some money and buy those YLRL Scholarship raffle tickets! Marte will be in charge of the tickets again this convention.

As I write this, I am hoping to actually make the big Hamfest in Friedrichshafen, Germany this year.

It is only about once every 7 years that the event does NOT fall during the US Field Day weekend.

The OM and I have NEV-ER missed a Field Day (30 years for him and before I got my license 20 years ago for me), so we haven't had an opportunity like this very often.

Not as much in the drag racing future this year, but more travel and a lot of it Ham Radio related.

Don't forget to send me news or I'll have to write about my 2 (yes they are very) cute kittens.

33, Cheryl, NOWBV



KL7 District News de Marilyn Melhorn, KE7WEN

Hello to all the Alaskan YLs.

It is now Christmas Eve and I'm working on getting everything ready for our Christmas, which is Dec 28th. We actually never do holidays on the day it should be. We have a grandson that goes from mom to dad and back again (divorce situation) so we just decided to do our holidays another time. He loves it, it makes things much easier for him. And it has ended up being easier for everyone, with in-laws and all.

One year we actually did Thanksgiving on Halloween!! But we have never really done Halloween seeing one of our sons was born on Oct 31st. And get this; our other son was born on Jan 1st!

Then we also have a grandson born in Dec and a daughter born in Jan. So from the end of Oct to the middle of Jan we have 6 family gatherings—a very busy time. This article was supposed to be to the editor by Dec 15th but it just wasn't going to happen. I am so

glad she's such a gracious lady!! Thank you Cheryl, NOWBV.

I just finished reading information on one of the clubs in your fair state. It's Moosehorn Amateur Radio Club located on the Kenai Peninsula in south central Alaska.

I wasn't going to mention this club because I didn't see one YL in their member roster. But they do a weekly lunch and I did see 4 women in the picture. I don't know if they are wives of members but I thought I would go ahead and write about the club because of them. Actually what led me to the club was the name. I like their name.

They are really quite an active club for having just 11 members. They do a ham fair, and two Field Days, a safety day, and they even work at one of the qualifying races for the Ididerod! Now that would be fun to go see. I'm sure everyone stays quite busy.

We have had rain, rain and more rain here in

Washington State. Don't get me wrong, I do like the rain, but at least this time I didn't like the repercussions-our travel trailer roof leaked. We found the leaks after damage was already done inside the trailer. So for the 3 days I've been inside wiping everything down with bleach water. My OM, Dan, KF7BHM, dried it out enough so he could cover the roof with tarps until the rain stops. But this is Washington so who knows when that will be. Oh what fun!!

All this while I'm trying to get the house in order for company that comes Dec 27th!! But all is settling now and I'm sure everything will be fine by then. At least it has a chance to begin drying out.

I do hope you all are having a good winter and aren't minding the dark too much! I also hope you all are able to do whatever you do in winter there! I hope you all have a Happy New Year also. So until next time—33

Marilyn, KE7WEN



Another year is well under way and the past year has been stored away in our memory banks. It can be pulled out and enjoyed whenever it is needed much like my Christmas turkey. It is residing in my freezer in the form of a rich and tasty soup that can be pulled out and enjoyed whenever it is needed,

I hope you will all take note that the new and improved YLRL website has a new address. Check out www.ylrl.org

Vai, VE5AQ, and Yvonne, ZR6TBL, have worked very hard and have done such a wonderful job bringing it back to life. We are grateful to them both for all their hard work and dedication to the project.

33 Suzanne VE7IM

as well.

Ann,VE3HAI, writes that she has been busy enjoying family and friends recently. Ann and Bare, VE3HAH joined Janet, N9ZKU at the Allen County hamfest in November. Ann was delighted to see Carole WB9RUS there. Carole, who had been ill during the past year, was able to lead the YL forum that day. Unfortunately, Ann and Janet had a commitment and couldn't stay for it.

Sad news as of this writing, I have been told that Bare, VE3HAH is now a silent key. Our thoughts are with Ann. -Ed.

33 Until next time and stay well, everyone.

Elizabeth, VE7YL, writes:

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VE News de Suzanne Snape, VE7IM



By the January edition of YL Harmonics I hope that our west coast monsoons have ended and that we are getting some nice dry but cold winter weather. Now in early December I have a few snowdrops showing and a few, very few, daffodils = I can look at them and say spring!!

The Auckland and Campbell Island DXpedition ZL9HR has just started up after being delayed by a bad storm. The pileups are noisy and huge!!

Had a visit last month from Hallie, VE6YW, who came down from North of Edmonton. The morning after she arrived had to rush her to hospital - a gallstone! They operated that night and the next afternoon I was able to bring her home to recuperate. She did so well that a week later she was able to fly back home on schedule. The airline took great care of her both leaving Vancouver and arriving in Edmonton. We chat regularly and she has made a complete recovery. When she comes back next spring I hope that it will be a nice, quiet visit.

Happy 2013! 33 Elizabeth VE7YL

Vai, VE5AQ, writes: Hello everyone from VE51and: First off I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and that you didn't party too hard on New Year's Eve.

Now, Suzanne had sent out a message that said my article was due. At the time she sent it out, I was up to my eyeballs in websites. As you all know we had a problem with the server here in Canada, and it was causing all sorts of problems because we could not get into the very, very back end to fix the. Anyways, to make a very long and dreary story short, we have moved our server to a company (now hold onto your hats) located in South Africa.

This gentleman is not only a friend of Yvonne's (ZR6TBL) but also the one with whom she has all her business clients websites located, so she not only knows how he conducts his business, but also knows that he is able to fix any problems that do arise occasionally. As all good server providers, he allows his customers FULL control over their websites, now I don't pretend to understand all this Geek talk, but now we can get into the CPanel and fix all sorts of problems, which we will not have I hope again.

The best news and a New Year's Present for all our members and especially the older gals is that the YLRL site is NOW BACK TO THE ORIGINAL. Please go to www. ylrl.org,to get to your website. This is what we had hoped to have previously, here in Canada but unfortunately, it didn't. We are there now.

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

I wish you all a happy, healthy New Year and I thank you all for the contacts we had on radio or e-mail during the year.

My DX contact, new ones, started with Malpelo Island, HK0NA followed by Sint Maarten, PJ7PT and I got the QSL card. I worked Yemen, 707T in April but no QSL card yet. PT0S, St Peter & Paul Rock was the last and will send for QSL card this week.

I hope you got what you want and need and even with small stations you can do very well, as a friend of mine was so happy with IOOw and wire antenna had gotten Conway Reef from Sweden. Let see what countries we work this year always so exiting to hear of a DXpedition coming up. Let me know if you are going on one or know of one.

SYLRA (Scandinavian Young Ladies Radio Amateurs) have their meeting this year on August 22-25 in Roskilde, in Denmark.

They meet every other year and rotate between the five countries. This is ten years celebration it started in Denmark.

You can join them no fee and all is via e-mail. You don't have to be a member Page 24 to go to the meeting and you can bring a friend as well.

Their webpage is www. oz.sylra.is everything is there how to register, fee and hotel Prindsen, to call to reserve room. Deadline is April 30st and it also has the bank to send money to.

I will be going and I will also go home to Sweden, as I am to celebrate my 50-year class reunion from nursing school. That takes place two weeks later.

I am hoping to meet many of you there and let me know if you are planning to go.

I am on DX-YL net every Monday on 14.288 at 15:00 UTC and meet some of you and hope more of you can join this year.

I got my favorite animal's certificate for year 2012 and manage to get #001.

I hope you tried for it was very nice for many YLs came on the radio to get the contact for an animal. The grandmother award is another not hard to get and after that great grandmother award, which will take some time to get, but you have no time limit for either one. I worked Merle, VE1VCI, she has 19 great grandchildren, and I wonder if anyone can top that.

News from Maria,

VK5BMT,

We got home from our trip north on the 1st of September and with the weather have been flat out washing clothes, inside and outside of caravan, in and out of vehicle and then the garden weeding. It has been a big job getting the garden into shape. The apricots are first to finish with a big crop. We have covered my little almond tree before the lorikeets come into eat unripe almonds. " I wonder what insect that is?" The strawberries feel the cold so no fruit vet.

My embroidery went into the wrong class and I got "highly recommended". I am now working on another piece, which has 24 sheets of stitches and almost 60 colors. It is a French village, but as we want to have Venetian pieces I will call this Venetian.

We had only 14 degree C yesterday and today I had lunch with my ALARA mob there were 11 of us there, and we had 20c, and we have summer.

Hiromi, JJ1CAS, sends: Happy New Year and I worried about how much damage the hurricane Sandy

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did to those in USA. I extend my heartfelt concern for the unforeseen attack by hurricane Sandy and we most sincerely hope that the people who had been attacked will recover from loss and damage soon.

In 2012, it was a hectic and exciting year for me both on business and private life. Regarding the ham life, I first joined in the Facebook in January; I could meet many old and new ham friends who sent me their update news and fantastic pictures. In August, I was happily surprised that Lois, WB3EFO kindly sent me the 25 year diamond certified the 25 years of continues membership in YLRL. I am very proud of it. In October a beautiful postcard signed by many DL YLs at the 80m YLmeeting had arrived, which showed Hann Munden, I thank you very much and enjoyed as if I were in an old German town.

I am working very hard and the deadline for my master thesis was on December 19th, and the oral examination for the master degree is closing on January 13th, which I should answer properly against the questions presenting by several professors at the graduate school. I am remitting my membership fee for YLRL, and thank you for sending me the informative and nice Harmonics always.

I wish you a good year 2013 with many happiness and health.

33 Hiromi, JJ1CAS

I received this from Inger, OZ7AGR about the next International YL meeting, which will be in Iceland.

"Preparation for the International YL meeting 2014 (IYL2014) has begun here in Iceland. After long thoughts, talking and asking friends and experts, dates have been decided. 9 -12 of May 2014 will be conference time in Reykjavik. After the conference will be possible to go to some trips, even before it also if someone is interested.

May is wonderful springtime in Iceland, bright outside during the day and night, weather beginning to be so nice (highest average sun-hours and fewest average rainy days). And summerprices not jet activated!

More information will be given later, but we thought it would be nice to announce the dates now.

Early next year we hope to have some webpage up and running for the event.

Best regards, 73 and 33 de TF3VD and TF3VB

Vala and Anna

A new year and membership is to be paid by January 31st, and as I send out the membership cards via e-mail I hope you will send news about you so I have something to put here in my column and if any changes in your address. (Editor's note, please renew your DX YLs as well as your own membership! All memberships will be good through the January/February issue, but will be delinquent if not paid before the March/April edition. Thank you.)

I wish you Happy Valentine and Happy Easter and good DX-ing.

33, Rose-Marie, KB4RM

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Hope you all enjoy the site, and please if you know the names of some of the gals in the pictures, or have pictures, or articles or know of silent keys, please let me know. That way we can keep our site current. My email is on the website and you can reach me through that, or get hold of Cheryl, or Lois and they will send it on to me.

One other thing, if you are sending me pictures, please DO NOT RESIZE and also put them in .jpg format. It is much easier for me to re-size for the website-Much easier to make smaller than to make larger. Thanks! Also, the CLARA site is done and fixed up as well and can be found at www.clarayl.

That is it from here, I do thank everyone for their prayers and good wishes for my eye surgery which I had on Halloween. Surgery was successful, and eyes are healing very nicely. I pray this finds everyone in good health, and I always say prayers for those that need them or want them. Please take care, hope to hear you on the air once band conditions improve. I am with Suzanne, when I say, I hope I live long enough to have another really good cycle and we don't have to rely on relays to let everyone know how we are.

33s Vai VE5AQ

Merle, VE1VCI writes: We enjoyed a great summer. Did not have any dry spells. The strawberry crop was one of our best. Prices stayed up - pickers were scarce which hurt the final figure. Raspberries were a failure due to a serious cane disease. Low Bush blueberry crops were a disaster due to poor pollinating weather for the bees. Cucumber and bean crops one of the best ever.

I sure hope the problems on the radio let up soon and with my output of only IOOWatts I do not have much chance of getting through. Wishing everyone a happy and safe Christmas

33 Merle

Merle also made the news recently in this abbreviated article:

'He didn't get wet, but Central Nova MP Peter MacKay made a big splash at Lochaber Lake early Friday afternoon.

At a packed Sylvan Hall nestled on its shore, he announced a federal government contribution of \$506,000, through the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA), towards the construction of Lochaber Centre.

The multi-purpose recreational facility, a project of the Lochaber Community Development Association (LCDA), will include international level rowing facilities.

Last fall, spearheaded by the LCDA executive, work began on the initiative. As they continued the effort to secure funding, ACOA officials suggested the organization should widen its approach, including creating something with a focus on broader economic development in the region.

That's where the Antigonish Rowing Club and StFX Rowing Club came in. Soon a partnership formed, with the organizations moving their training facilities to Lochaber Lake.

One of those Lochaber residents who have opened her arms to the rowers is Merle Taylor, whose name even graces one of the team's boats.

"I am so excited. This is such a wonderful day," she said prior to the announcement."



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Merle withh her namesake boat. Look for the arrow to find her!

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.

60 Years
Ruth Rickett W8LGY
55 Years
Martha Wessel K0EPE
10 years
Amy Pender, WA8MY
5 years
Linda Harvey, VE1QT; Paulette Schouten VE7VPE

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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*

Changes and Corrections

Alice I. King, AI4I< has moved to:

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