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Editor's Note/

Well Ladies what a summer it has been. I have to let you know a bit of what has been going on, so you won't be ready to strangle me for the delay in *YL-Harmonics!*

One thing you should know is that it takes a lot of time to get the magazine finished and it is a one YL operation for the most part. We could farm out more of the work, but it would cost more in most cases. YLRL is truly trying to keep the costs down as much as possible!

Summers are always hectic and this one has been no different. One thing you may not know about me is I also Drag Race a 1967 Impala and if I want to go to the division finals, I have to make races most weekends.

This summer has also been a great one for FAMILY! Most of my trips don't tend to interfere with production because they are over a weekend or for a couple of days. This time we took two very long trips and they were fabulous.

We took John's brother's family on the Hot Rod Power Tour and cover 16 states. My 3 nieces LOVED it! What a blast to see so much of America, but the downside a looong car ride. HI HI

Of course we didn't miss Field Day either. John has done it for 32 years and I have done it since before I was licensed. This year was the one in about seven that it did not happen over the Friedrichshafen Hamfest in Germany.

What does that mean for *Harmonic...a* delay! We went to the Hamfest (my first time in Germany), then up to race at the Nurburgring (a formula one track in Nurburg, Germany) and since it was a multi-family trip—the nieces again—we made sure to make it a GREAT trip and took the train through Belgium, France and the Chunnel to spend a few days in London, England.

This wouldn't have made for too much of a delay, but just after we got back one of our one-year-old kittens raced out of the garage one night and went missing. His brother still looks for him and as do we. He has been gone for weeks now, but since no body is reported, I still have some hope! Cross your fingers he is well. Still, I went through a grieving process and did absolutely nothing towards the magazine.

Right about that time, I realized my main computer was completely full and that I hadn't defragmented or optimized in two years. Ladies, I beseech you, take care of your computer!

I found out the hard way that if you don't have room equal to the amount of a DVD, you can't burn/copy things on to said DVD and move it off the computer! Optimizing took so long that by the time all was said and done, I was off the computer for two weeks with just my Ipad to try to keep up on emails if I could.

To top it all off our weather patterns are screwy to say the least. Lots of lightning that should have been in April and May has now shown up in July and August. I also had to shut the computers down during a major hailstorm with 1" in diameter hail.

If that wasn't enough to keep me off the computer and doing proper work, we had THREE yes, THREE transformers blow in the neighborhood due to heat. Each time my computer crashed, so I finally said, let's not risk it blowing up like the transformers!

Okay, so that is my sad tale and I should be back on track. The double issue will help and next up is the Directory. Take care and thanks for not taking my head off!

33 & 73,

Cheryl, N0WBV

Editor



President's Info

De Doshia Kretke, KB0NAS



Is it Ham?

While assisting with and exercise involving the National Disaster Medical System (NDMS) recently, the Colorado ARES section utilized a variety of techniques to "get the message through."

The NDMS assists State and local authorities in dealing with the medical impacts of major peacetime disasters.

In this exercise, "injured" patients were being transferred from an overwhelmed hospital system. They were staged at the Denver airport, sorted, and transported by ambulance to Denver area hospitals or by helicopter to more distant sites. Voice communication between the airport and the hospitals was by amateur radio.

Primary voice communication was on the 70-centimeter band via a mountaintop repeater. Mt. Thorodin on the Front Range west of Denver, hosts a large number of "wide area repeaters"—at nearly 11,000 feet, they have line of site over most of the urban corridor, from south Denver north to Loveland. *However*, mountains are always good for a challenge or two and one of them is mountain shadows.

It turns out for example that most of Boulder is in a mountain shadow. Another mountain—or more than one—stands in the way. Therefore, the event planners specifically chose an IRLP capable repeater and sent a list of the North East Front Range IRLP capable repeaters with the plan documents so that anyone operating either in a shadow or beyond the range of the repeater could use IRLP to link to it, and thus participate directly. IRLP, the Internet Radio Linking Project, uses the Internet to link repeaters, so that by entering a numeric code, a ham operator on one repeater can talk on another.

In addition to voice communication, there was TV. Operators at the Denver airport helicopter flight line and triage sites transmitted the pictures to a central location where the signal was put onto an Internet site. This means that anyone with an Internet connection (and the password) could watch the video stream, including the command centers of hospitals—which are notoriously hard to get signals into.

During a previous exercise, we had attempted transmitting a TV signal some 20 miles directly to the airport. It turned out that at that distance the curvature of the earth is sufficient that we were not able to clear a ridge on the plains—yes, as every Midwesterner can confirm the plains have ups and downs. This time the distance transmission was done via the Internet from each of the hospitals.

An interesting thing, amateur radio. I do know purists who would say that what we did was not ham radio that using the Internet capabilities was "cheating." To me however, the most important factor remains—we got the messages through.

And whether providing long distance communications hundreds of miles out of a hurricane impacted coast or situational awareness and "last mile" capabilities for a regional exercise that is what we do.

33,

Doshia, KB0NAS



Vice President's Info De Linda Metz, KC8PKY



To all who sent me YL-OM logs my apologies for not publishing the results sooner. By means of explanation we had a break-in at our home and have been dealing with the results. We were not home so we were safe. That's all I'm going to say on that topic. Back to the contest here are the logs I received.

2013 YL-OM CONTEST RESULTS

- KK7YL, Rita Wilson, total score of 39,353pts.
- DM8YL, Victoria Panagiotou, total score of 2400 pts.
- WB1ARU, Anne Manna, total score of 3060 pts.
- KC9URR, Carolyn Lysandrou, total score of 3186 pts.

Now on to other things. Dayton this year was great. The weather was hot and we had some rain but we were dry inside if you don't count the drips from the ceiling. We had 61 YLs attend our forum this year. Anne, WB1ARU gave a neat presentation on her trip to Australia and Cheryl, N0WBV gave an explanation of what YLRL is all about. We also got a little sneak preview of our next convention to be held August 2014 in Vancouver, WA. We had quite a few ladies sign our guest book; I don't know the total, as we had to head back home Saturday night. If you've never been to Dayton Hamvention it's worth the trip.

Till next time,
73 & 33,
Linda Metz KC8PKY

Don't forget to check out some of Linda's Pictures in the District 8 section on the Dayton Hamvention®.

YL Vxpedftovw

With this issue, the YLs will have wrapped up their trip to Greenland.

From the **16th to the 20th August 2013** 5 YLs from different countries activated amateur radio from Kangerlussuaq, Greenland.

The last YL expedition in 2010 was very successful so we 5 YLs hope this also will be that.

The call sign was OX5YL and they were working around the clock to try to give as many chances as possible for working a YL from OX.

It is always wonderful to hear about YLs on the air!



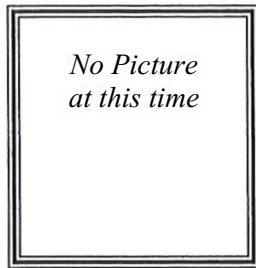
Speaking of YLs who are going to be on the air soon, don't forget to listen for Ann, WAIS from T33, Banaba.

To find out more about this November, 2013 DXpedition, check out the website: www.t33a.com
T33 is Banaba Island IOTA OC-018. Location .86S/ 169.53E and UTC +12 hours.

The team is planning activation for November 2013 and will have six stations at two sites operating CW/SSB/RTTY on 160m through 10m.



District One News
de Roberta Donohue, W1JX



District 2 News
de Candy Duell, N2OKA



District Three News
de Cecilia Bastone, KB3VEN



District Four News
de Joan Jones, W4JMJ



District Five News
de Betty Jo Byrd, KB5CSQ



District Six News
de Jennifer O'Connell,
KI6OIL



District Seven News
de Marilyn Melhorn, AF7BI



District Eight News
de Annette Wood,
KC8SQM



District Nine News
de Carole Burke, WB9RUS





**District Ten News
de Cheryl Muhr, N0WBV**

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**KL7 District News
de Marilyn Melhorn,
AF7BI**

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**Youth News
de Caroline Stanley,
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**VE News
de Suzanne Snape, VE7IM**

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New YLRL Members de Anne Manna, WBIARU-Secretary

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New Members for Summer 2013

Welcome to this new members! We look forward to meeting you on the air soon! We welcome you as members of YLRL and hope to hear each of you on the air or meet you at another convention or Hamfest.

DISTRICT 1

KD6CCB Stephanie Bustos

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Stephanie heard about YL in Dayton, and joined at the Ten-X Convention in CT. She holds a General license and enjoys camping with her radio along. She is a member of Newington ARL and Ten-X. Other family members are Santiago, Jr., KD6CVD and son Santiago, III is KI6DYG.

DISTRICT 2

KD2EBK Roseann Yarasits

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[REDACTED]
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Roseann found YLRL online. She has a new Technician license and is a retired investigator. She is a member of Greene Co. ARC and Rip Van Winkle ARS. She enjoys DX on Echolink. Frank, KD2EBL is her OM.

NY2GB Georgia Belmont

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Georgia has her Extra license and is active on HF. She is a student, singer, dancer and actress who enjoys RTTY contests. Her grandfather is N2FF Frank. Georgia's previous calls were KD2BSM and K2GKB.

DISTRICT 3

KC3AHY Lisa Jakubek

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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Lisa is a new ham with an Extra license. She is an artist and homemaker. She is a member of Delaware Valley RA where she operates club equipment. Lisa is trying many aspects of ham radio including DX and public service. Her daughter is Angela KC3ABK.

DISTRICT 4

N1DBY Young H. Cho

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

Young is a retired writer who has a General license. She is active on 17 m. Yoon KD1AR is her OM. Young's former calls are WN4FYN and WA3WGR.

KK4SD Sharon Diehl

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Sharon is an accountant and holds an Extra class license. She is active on 2 m and is a member of the Milton ARC. Her OM is Jack, WB4JD. Her former call was KK4DIU.

KK4LTO Mary Ann Carpenter

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

Mary Ann is a teacher and holds a Technician license. She is part of a ham family and a member of the Milton ARC. Larry K4LWC is her OM and Amanda, KK4KRX and Julie, K4MJC are her daughters.

K4MJC Julie Carpenter

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KK4KRX Amanda Carpenter

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KK4BDE Deborah Keech

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Debbie is a CNA and holds a Technician license. She is active on 10m and 6m. Her OM is John, WB2TRI.

ICG4YUM Tina Coppola

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[REDACTED]

Tina holds a General license. Her daughter is Kateri, KJ4PHU.

KJ4PHU Kateri Coppola

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[REDACTED]

Kateri holds a Technician license and is the daughter of KG4YUM Tina.

AK4QW Eleanor Doering

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[REDACTED]
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Eleanor is retired and holds an Extra license. She is a member of the Thomasville ARC and also ARES. She is active on 2m and some HF. Previous call signs are N6BWQ and WB1HIM.

DISTRICT 5

KF5ERQ Judy Seifert

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Judy has a General license and is a member of Madcow ARES group. She is a receptionist in a medical office. Judy signed up at HamCom. Her OM is Kirk W5KRK.

K5KTX Kelley Miller

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Kelley is an Instructional Designer who holds a General license. Right now she is active on 2m/70cm. She is a member of Rockwall ARC, Sabine Valley ARC and Dallas ARC. Kelley enjoys astronomy and is a NASA JPL Solar System Ambassador. Her former call is KF5PLN. She also signed up at HamCom.

W5SEK Shannon Kelly

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Shannon has a Technician license and is a French teacher. She was at HamCom learning about contesting and joined YLRL there. Her OM is Sean K5SPK.

ICJ5WRN Janet Wrenn

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[REDACTED]
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Janet is an insurance agent and has a General license. She is active on HF, 2m and 440. She enjoys Rookie Roundup and is a member of 10-X International. Michael K5WRN is her OM. Her former call is KF5USD.

WE5BEE Elise Cook

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Elise is a teen student who holds a Technician license and is studying for her General. She is a member of the Lowndes Co ARC and is looking forward to Rookie Roundup on RTTY. She enjoys foxhunts and spelling bees. W5VOL, Joe is her dad and WE5ROK is her sister.

WE5ROK Ryann Cook

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Ryann is a teen student who holds a Technician license and enjoys building and soldering. She is studying for her General. She is a member of Lowndes Co ARC. She and her sister WE5BEE, Elise plan to work RTTY Rookie Roundup. W5VOL, Joe is her dad.

DISTRICT 7

K7MWP Margaret Prior

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Margaret and holds a General license and is retired. She won her membership at the SEAPAC YL Luncheon. She is a member of Baker ARC and Blaine ACS. Her OM is Bruce N7RR. Margaret's former call is KD7CEL.

W7WFO Marianna Kearney

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Marianna is a returning member who holds a General license. She is a retired commercial artist and has designed the 75th Anniversary Convention pin. Although she no longer has HF antennas, she is active with the Clark Co ARC and checks into the Two Rivers YL net on 2m. She and her late OM Ty, W7WFP were working as fire and volcano spotters when Mt. St. Helens erupted in 1980. She still enjoys hiking, but no longer does mountain climbing.

DISTRICT 8

N8DLS Donna Schroeder

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Donna is a quilter. She holds a General license, is active on 2m and is a member of Milford ARC. Her OM is Bill WS6K.

N8HUC Karen Andrews

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Karen holds a General license and works at Rubbermaid. She loves working 2 m and echolink and communications for events. She is a member of Portage County ARS. Her ham family includes OM James, KD8VT and daughters Jennifer, KB-3GXB and Kristen, KB3OQV.

KD8RHM Michele Moore

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Michele has a Technician license and is a children's benefit specialist. She is a member of DARA, the sponsors of Hamvention.

KD8RLF Rhonda Wade

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Shelby is a buyer and holds a Technician license. She is a member of Shelby Co ARS.

ICD8SSR Michelle Crouch

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Michelle holds a Technician license and is a member of Michigan Northern Lights and GCRC. Her son Jeff is KD8QIQ.

DISTRICT 9

W9EEK Susan Briguglio

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Susan is a phone installer and holds her Extra class license as well as her General Radio Telephone operator license with radar endorsement. She is active on 20 meters. Jim WB9YBT is her fiancé. Susan's previous call was KA9LOT.

K9LIS Lisa Coleman

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Lisa is a librarian and holds a Technician license. She enjoys crocheting and geocaching. She belongs to the CFMC. Her OM is Tony, N9VVO.

W9LSM Lorraine Meyer

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Lorraine's former call is KC9Y TZ.

KD9OK Ann Marie Kavanaugh

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Ann Marie's former call is KC9UZZ.

KC9RHG Judith Anderson

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holds a General license.

DISTRICT 10

K0J CX Nancy Mortensen

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Nancy holds her Extra license.

KC0VYV Kristin Vondra

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Kristin is a 911 dispatcher and a Mary Kay consultant. She holds a Technician license and is a member of Bellevue ARC, Strategic Air Command Memorial ARC and Sarpy Co EMA. She is active on 2m, 70cm and other bands. Her OM is Frank, WB0QQK.

DISTRICT 10

ICB0MPL Margot Conard

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Margot is a statistician who holds a general license. She is active mainly on 17 & 20 m. She belongs to Boone ARC, 3900 Club, Radio Klub, and Story Co ARC. Her OM is Clay W0FS. Margot heard about YLRL at Dayton. Check out her QRZ.com bio.

DX

Teresa Cintia Hualde, LU3DHD

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Argentina
Check out her QRZ.com bio.

YLy on/Computer

While the YLRL does not have an "official" page on Facebook, there is a YLRL page taken straight from Wikipedia. It is mostly accurate and in the future YLRL is planning on having an updated page for Facebook users.

Meanwhile, Tracey (2E0CEY) has just started up a Facebook page for YL ops only and is looking for people to join in and here is the link: www.facebook.com/groups/ylarg/?fref=ts

This is just one of the YL pages you might find there. Feel free to write in and let us know YOUR favorite YL links on the computer. We can also consider an area on the YLRL website for YL links such as this one if there is enough interest and the link is truly for Women in Amateur Radio.

YLRL also has a Yahoo Group as well. It is YLRL-Young Ladies Radio League.

Don't forget the YLRL website at: www.ylrl.org and check out more in our Webmaster's Report!

VtifrLctl

Hello to all. The Women Radio Operators of New England (WRONE) held its spring luncheon meeting on May 4 at DiMillo's Floating Restaurant in Portland, Maine. There were eight people in attendance and everyone had a great time. Once again, it turned out to be a beautiful day and very enjoyable to be down by the water.

Summer has finally arrived here in New England and we are glad to see it. We had a very rainy spring and are looking forward to sunny and warm days ahead.

My OM, Tom, and I enjoyed attending the Pine State Amateur Radio Club Hamfest on June 1. It was a very sunny, warm day and everyone who attended had a great time.

A couple of District 1 YLs are doing some traveling. Niece, KA1ULN, has recently left for the British Isles for a two-week trip and we are looking forward to hearing all about her trip on her return. Betsey, KAI VAX, has flown down to Florida and is returning via a cruise up the eastern seaboard.

The WRONE net, which meets every Wednesday morning at 8:30 on 3.912 Mhz, has been very active this year, with several check-ins. The net has welcomed some new members like Candy, N2OKA, as well as some old friends like Jean, K1TVT, who checked in last April after a long absence. The net is open to all YLs and we would welcome anyone to check in when they can.

I am saddened to report that Vera Klecowsky, WA1JYO, became a silent key on July 5, 2013. She was just short of her 95th birthday by 9 days. Vera had been very active in Navy MARS and received a 40-year certificate. She was also a long time member of YLRL as well as WRONE. She was a regular check-in to the Yankee Lassies Net. She will be missed.

Anne, WB1ARU and OM, Tony, WA1ENO, attended the Dayton Hamvention. Anne was a speaker at the YL Forum on Friday and made a presentation with pictures about their trip to Australia and New Zealand in 2012. There were over 60 YLs in attendance at the Forum along with several OMs and other family members. *Check out the pictures in District 8! -Editor*

She was also busy at the YLRL booth every day, seeing long time friends and making new ones. The weather was good, not too hot with only a couple of passing showers. The fog was very heavy on Friday morning, which slowed down the early morning arrivals. She didn't see much of the flea market, although Tony made many trips around looking for bargains to bring home.

"It was good to see Ann, WAIS, working in the ICOM booth. She will be off on another DXpedition in the fall. Pat, N1LZH, along with OM, Joe, W1BS, and son, Michael, AA1AR, were there for the weekend too. Anne and Tony will be attending the 10- X Convention in Windsor Locks, CT in July and are planning on the YL International in Iceland next May, just before the 2014 Hamvention. Then it will be on to YLRL's 75th Anniversary in Vancouver, WA in August of 2014."

Field Day for 2013 has come and gone. Anne, WB1ARU, and Hennie, KA1JVN, and their respective OMs participated in the event from their home QTHs. We hope they had a great time.

Anne also reports that she had a call from KA2VBW, Christine Williams, the daughter of Betty Phillips, WB1FIQ. She wanted to let folks know that Betty is now unable to participate in the activities that she once did due to her dementia. Please do not send newsletters to her any more.

Betty is living at home with assistance for part of the day and attends the Senior Center daily at noon. None of her children live nearby.

If you would like to call Betty, her phone number is unchanged at (413) 566-3010. She may not remember you, but enjoys talking to folks who remember her and her late OM, Yorke.

If you would like to send a card or note, please send % Christine Williams, 85 Vale Street, Tewksbury MA 01876.

Thanks for the update, Anne.

So far this early summer, the propagation in our part of the U.S. hasn't been very good; there have been some spotty openings on 17 and 15 meters, but nothing at the higher frequencies. Since we are approaching the peak of the sun spot cycle we had hoped for better propagation; perhaps that will improve as we get into the fall and winter seasons. We shall see.

Have a great summer and stay healthy and safe.

33 from Bobbie, W1JX

This late addition from Barbara Dougan, N1NS, KM1CC trustee kmlcc.capecod@gmail.com will be important to those who were on the Tour to Cape Cod National Seashore with the 2011 YLRL Convention.

Thought you might be interested. The viewing platform to the landward/parking lot side of the shelter remains. The interpretive signs that were under the shelter will be positioned close by.

To view larger images visit Cape Cod National Seashore's Facebook page.

We were lucky to have been there before it was gone!!!

33, Anne WB1ARU



The Marconi Site under change.

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Hello to all.

By the time you read this Dayton will be over and I am sure there are many people with GREAT stories about spending time there.

I received an email from Diane, N2DMS, she wrote to tell me about her time in Dayton Hamvention with her husband Harry WB2H. This is what she wrote to me with her permission to use her email as part of my column. "A very nice surprise was waiting. I was instantly recognized by Cheryl Muhr, N0WBV and "Belles" and given a warm welcome. I missed a few people, but will save those hugs for the next time we meet. What a great group of women.

I have so much respect and admiration for the YLRL. I am proud to be a member. It was great to see everyone, renew my membership and meet new friends" It sounds like she had a great time, maybe when my husband retires he will bring me out to Dayton just to experience the fun and excitement of it all.

It won't be long and it will be Field Day, I am looking forward to it, but I have/had the worst case of Mic fright. I literally have to make myself talk on the Mic some days. Last year I was working with Darlene N2XQG and she had to use the ladies room, I said nope...can't do it! Poor Girl!

So after that I have made myself get on the radio and talk. I talk almost every week on the Yankee Lassies Net, there are such wonderful ladies there every week and we share our weekly news and highlights of the week. It has gotten much easier for me! I work special event stations here and there. The story is this year I think I am ready to work her station when needed. HI HI

I was reading my copy of YL-Harmonics and noticed the Suzanne, VE7IM was writing about her awards that she has earned, so I looked them up and it really looks like a lot of fun! I think I will try to earn the favorite foods certificate. Suzanne if you're listening (reading), we should set up a sked and we can earn one from each other. Maybe a few more will offer to help me on my quest.

I like to do special events so this is right up my alley.

I have been contacting other radio clubs in the area to find out YL news, but not much response yet. I am hoping after Field Day I will have more news for you. If there is any news you would like to share please email me at [REDACTED]

It has been pretty quiet so here is my news for the quarter. Next time I hope to have more news. Until next time...33 de N2OKA

DiWbctB

Hi all. I will try to fill in some information from 3rd District until we can find a chairperson. Having done this job before, I know it is like pulling teeth to get information but PLEASE if any of you gals have something of interest please send it to me.

I had a very nice chat recently with Sylvia Soble, W3SLF. It had been years since I had talked with her and when she called I was quite surprised and pleased. Sylvia is not active on air anymore but still supports YLRL having been a member since 1959. Next year will be 55 years continuous membership for her. We talked about the "old days" when there was Penn-Jersey YLs and other activities.

My radio activities these days consists mostly of listening while my OM is tuning through the frequencies. . .you know, like channel surfing!!! If he runs across a YL I will try to make a contact. I must admit that I spend far too much time with my sewing and quilting projects these days. And of course, summer is here and that means going camping whenever we have the chance.

I was saddened by the death. May 27, of my friend, Gwen VK3DYL. I had been her YLRL sponsor for 30 years and she sponsored me in ALARA. It proved to be a wonderful, lasting friendship. (See DX column) She met a number of the YLs when she visited the states and was active with the international events.

Barb Bender, KA3VXR, has been on the run lately. She just returned from Dallas to witness the confirmation of 2 of her 29 grandchildren. She is expecting her 2nd great grandchild in September and hopes to be traveling to Las Vegas in the near future to visit her son who is stationed there. All you gals in 3 land.. please help me write our activities. E-mail me with your information.

Lois, WB3EFQ

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Ham radio has some interesting events fast approaching and I hope you will be able to participate.

Ladies, this year I would like to retire as District 4 Chairperson. I have held this position for 5 years and feel it is time to give another YL the opportunity to pick up the proverbial ball and run with it. This position is not difficult to fill; if I could do it, then anyone can. Basically you will send out an email (bi-monthly) to members of your district requesting news and *I* or photos to share with all members of the YLRL. From this news you will write your column for the Harmonics publication and submit it to Cheryl Muhr our Editor and Circulation manager. There's not much to it. So, PLEASE think about stepping up and volunteering to be the next district 4 Chairperson.

I did manage to check into our Thursday night net with WB1ARU this month. Although conditions have been challenging as of late, we did manage to have a nice short QSO. I hope many of you had an opportunity to participate in field day this year. That is always good fun and also good experience for ham radio operators.

I do hope you are all doing well and are busy enjoying the Summer weather and ham radio.

Hopefully many of you had the opportunity to attend Dayton this year (May 17-19). I have promised myself that I must make that trip to Amateur radio lovers' "Mecca" just once in my life (at least).

Actually, I would love to attend with my Brother John, VE3WWR (since it was his enthusiasm for ham radio that resulted in my being licensed).

I also hope that many of you had the opportunity to participate in ARRL Field day (June 22-23). An excellent way to brush up on less-than-ideal operating conditions. Field Day is a wonderful chance to

meet up with new and old friends. Well Ladies, several district 4 YLs stepped up to the plate and sent some news to share with you all so I will get down to business:

So, without further ado I'll get to the news I received from our fellow members:

Mary Moore WX4MM writes: I will be traveling from June 8 thru end of the month. Starting in Georgia and going to New York, Canada, NH, VT, ME, Boston, NYC, Wash DC and then back to Alabama. Hope to have HF on 40 m mobile.

Will be traveling with my good friend Philip Gibson, KE4MRR. Will have two meters with us for sure. Maybe I'll get some good pictures while we are in the Adirondacks too.

I received a plaque from the Alabama QSO Party, high score YL in Alabama. We have never given out the high score YL outside Alabama. Have had one or two entries but not with the required 100 contacts for the plaque to be awarded. Sure wish we could get some entries from YLs.

ha 2010 I got the top single op YL outside California in the CA QSO Party. I recommend everyone start out with state QSO parties if they want to get into contesting. They are lots of fun.

I just got back from a flying trip to Iowa to see my granddaughter graduate from Linn-Mar High School in Marion, Iowa. Did not take a radio with me-guess I should have.

Evelyn, W4EVE, is doing fine. She checks in on the two meter MMRS net each week.

I went to Milton, FL Hamfest July 12 and 13. Signed up 4 new members. Three are in one family. Lookup our new members in the new member column. I am going to the Huntsville Hamfest August 17-18. Will have a YLRL booth and a forum.

The forum will be talking about the Convention in Vancouver, WA in 2014. Hope to meet a lot of new YLs there and reacquaint with old friends. Plan to do the Haylarc breakfast on Sunday morning. Hope to see you there. Attaching a picture of the YLRL booth at Milton.

I traveled to all of the New England states this summer. Enjoyed the Canadian side of Niagara Falls, visited with cousins in Amherst NY and Rodman NY near Watertown. Then went to Maine and up to cross the border from Houlin ME to New Brunswick Canada. The countryside was beautiful everywhere we went. Stopped in New York City and Washington DC on way home. One unexpected pleasure was finding the antique tractor museum just south of Richmond VA. Spent almost two hours there. Have really enjoyed traveling since retiring and hope I can continue to do more in the future.

33 de Mary, WX4MM

Well, Mary by your account it sounds like you had a fabulous time and we wish you many more such fun trips.

Dee Carpenter, KG4WRX writes: "My name is Shirley 'Dee' Carpenter, ICG4WRX. I live in Louisville, TN with my OM Steve, K4DXV and our daughter Jenny. We are all educators. Steve has taught 31 years; I have taught 30 years, and Jenny has been a teacher's assistant and hoping to get her own class next school year. I have been teaching kindergarten 17 years and love every minute of it! Our family also includes Zeus our dog and 2 cats, Riggs and Ranger.

My OM got me involved in HAM radio in 2002. I mostly listen, but am trying to become more active. We have been attending the Dayton Hamvention since 2003. We attended the Dayton 2013 YLRL Forum this year and I really enjoyed seeing the attendees and meeting YLs. Steve and I previously have been trained as Skywarn Spotters, and have been active in both our local ARES and the Smoky Mountain Amateur Radio Club weekly nets and Field Day. After more than 10 years as a Technician, I finally made my first HF DX contact last week on 10 meters. I hope to meet other YLs on the air. I hope everyone is having a great summer."

73 Dee, KG4WRX

Kelley Vann-Johns K4VPZ writes: "HAYLARC, the Huntsville Area Young Ladies Amateur Radio Club, has a new website that we just set up a few weeks ago. We hope our web presence will make our group easier to find for new YLs and for YLs new to the area. The address for our page is www.haylarc.org and the site will be kept up to date with information about our monthly meeting time and location. We hope that more YLs may join us with this new source of information about our group."

73, Kelley, K4VPZ

Sue Simpson, N8AJU writes: "Sue, N8AJU from Ocala, FL, along with husband Ken, W8EK, were

at the Dayton Hamvention in May setting up and working at the Quarter Century Wireless Association booth, signing up members, selling supplies, and answering questions. They also attended nine chapter meetings to and from Dayton.

Sue is the national Executive Assistant and Director of QCWA. Her OM is the Executive Administrator and Director. If you were licensed more than 25 years ago (that means 1988 or before), you should be a member of QCWA as well as a member of YLRL. Please contact Sue at ExecAsst@qcwa.org for more info. Thanks."

73, 33, Sue, N8AJU

Carol Laferty, K4SAF writes: "I don't have much except that I enjoyed attending the Dayton Hamvention and YLRL Forum. It is always good to see our members and talk to other YLs who might be interested in joining. The picture is of me visiting with hams from Qatar Radio Society. They were very friendly and gracious, and gave me one of their club t-shirts." Carol

Carol, I'm still looking forward to one day being at Dayton Hamvention. I hear it is THE best.

Nina Stone, WB4CHH writes: "Going to Huntsville next weekend. Plan to take lots of pix, and will visit my favorite Yarn shop there and will attend a meet and greet at the shop. I am dragging Pat, W4OQG along, he>s my pilot to Huntsville and also Dayton. Also heard the YLRL will have a forum, looking forward to seeing some Alabama, gals." 73 88 Nina

Nina, I just know you>ll have had a good time at Huntsville I

Ann Santos, WAIS writes: "It's been awhile since I have been on a DXpedition . From 5-18 November 2013, I will be part of a DXpedition to Banaba as T33A. For the latest information our Website is: www.t33a.com. We will also have a 2-day layover in Fiji from 1-2 November where I am hoping to get on the air for a few hours. My Fiji callsign is 3D2AC." Ann

Wow Ann, wish I was joining you, sounds like you will have a fantastic trip. Good DX!!!!

Deborah writes: "Sorry I haven't been able to be on the radio at all this year. I just finished with three months of chemo and will have surgery on May 1st. I have been in and out of the hospital so much I can't even count. I hope everyone is doing well and hope to be on the air soon.

I received good news last month. I had a resection and extensive biopsy done on July 22nd and no cancer was found! I am so blessed! My CT scan, cytology and PET scan were negative also. So just wanted to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers. Prayer does help; I am a testimony to that as my cancer was already invasive when I was diagnosed! Trying to get my house in order now. I wasn't able to do much while having chemo and so I am doing my spring-cleaning. Hope to be on air soon, it has been so long! Thank you, Deborah, K4NRS

Because I often think of the YLRL as a type of "band - of - sisters " (pun intended), I know that you will join me in keeping Deborah in your thoughts and prayers.

Well my fellow YLs, that is it for another column and month. Do have yourselves a healthy, safe and wonderful Summer. AND GOTA, that is ARRL-speak for "Get on the air"!!!!

PLEASE don't be shy and send me some news for the October deadline. Also, IF you would like to take over writing this column, please let us know. You know the old saying ... a change is as good as a rest! And I need a rest. Here's hoping you have a great rest of the Summer and 73

73, Joan Jones, W4JMJ

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Hello,

Hope all are doing fine! Enjoyed seeing some of you at the New Orleans LA hamfest and hope to see you at the Monroe, LA hamfest?

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Carol, K4SAF and the Qatar Radio Society

I have had a little time for radio operations worked 5W0M Samoa, China on RTTY, Iraq RTTY, and filled a band for Cocos Keeling, and European Russia on RTTY.

The Southern Mississippi YL group worked each other on the 2 meter net to get credit for the YLRL Food contest and hopefully they will turn in their logs for credit. I still need a few more for me so will have to try and remember to check in to the YLRL Thursday night nets.

Ed, KA5VFU and I took the Grandkids camping for 8 days during their Spring break from school we fished, played board games, rode bikes and walked. We all had a great time and really did not want to leave tire beautiful campsite to come home but had to face the fact of coming home and doing all the laundry for 4 people for days. HI

Well it's July already can you believe how fast this year is going by? Lots of YLRL news with Hamcom, Field Day, to July 4th activities and NASA Astronomer news hope you enjoy the reading.

Welcome new YLRL members in District 5 area - Judy, KF5ERO of Combs, AR; Kelley, K5KTX of Quinlan, TX; Shannon, W5SEK of Allen, TX; and Janet, KJ5WRN of Sugarland, TX who signed up at the YLRL booth at Hamcom.

A huge Thank you goes to Judi, W0JJ who volunteered to setup the YLRL booth at Hamcom in Plano TX Judi has told me she had a great time and would do it again please see her news below.

My OM Ed, KA5VFU and I attended Field Day at Hooterville location where the Magnolia DX and



*Dottie's new Sponsee Anneke,
PB7XYL*

the Great Southern DX groups do their contest activities, we operated K5MDX 3A MS and the GOTA station with GOTA Coach MARK, W5MDX operated W5NO 3A MS.

We had a total of 26 operators and visitors and we were on the air around the clock, had 3 towers with beams, 4 square for receive, a dipole and inverted V and lots of good food, good friends and the weather was nice, rain showers north of our location so the clouds kept us fairly cool.

The youth enjoying operating the radios for the first time and Mark, W5MDX did a great job as GOTA coach. Thank you to our Field Day Chairman Terry, AE5RI who kept everything organized and running smoothly.

San Antonio, TX, W7PBR, Dottie: Dottie called me on the phone the other day needing to know how to sponsor her friend as an YLRL member. Dottie has sponsored her friend who lives in Heinenoord, Netherlands her call is PB7XYL and name is Anneke and OM, Ruudshe are active on the radio and loves to collect QSL cards. Hopefully we will hear Anneke on the net soon.

73's Dottie

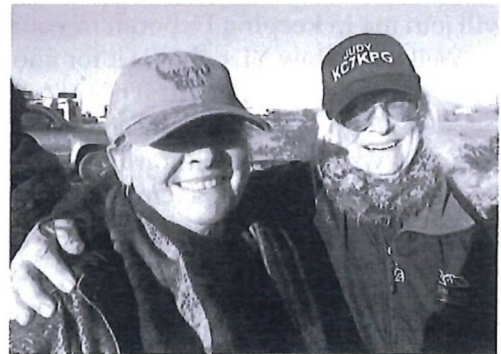
Houston, TX, K5JGC, Burnette: "One of our sweetest blessings was God's provision for the safe arrival of our first great grandchild, Zoe Brookyn, born March 3, 2013, Houston, Texas. She is the daughter of Stephanie and Taylor Gahm.

This momentous occasion makes our daughter, Carol Boyett Ballard, KA5SSD and husband, Andrew, KA5SSE first time grandparents and T.P. (K5EYN) and I great grandparents."

Burnette

Milan, NM, KC7KPG, Judy: Attended the 2013 Quartzfest held mid-January in Quartzsite, AZ had 460 ham radio operators attending the 10 day campout. We attended seminars, cookouts, outdoor movies, happy hour every evening where prizes were given and off road trip.

The highlight of my 10 days at Quartzfest was meeting YLRL member Rita, KK7YL and her OM Tom, I<7FA. We knew each other by our call signs standing near each other. We saw each other several days at Quartzfest. We will





Judy, KC7KPG & Rita, KK7YL

meet again at Quartzfest 2014.

YLRL member and friend Rita KK7YL and OM Tom I<7FA visited Tom KC7KPF and I, Judy ICC7KPG at our home in the Zuni Mountains in NM. What a thrill it was to see them. We spent the day together before they continued their trip to CO. Their home is in AZ.

We visited the Oso Ridge National Forest Service Fire Lookout. The picture attached is Rita and I at the Lookout.
33, Judy

Brownwood, TX, WA5GLM, Ann: Spring is springing in a hurry here in central Texas. With a little rain this past weekend, can bluebonnets be far away? A winter windstorm took down

our beam and left it scattered in pieces in the pasture below. Bob moved the pieces to the back yard to keep the cows from trampling them.

I'm still not back on the air, but the OM deserves to be cut some slack. After my summer back surgery I was well on my way to recovery...for awhile. Then things took a serious downhill slide and within a few weeks I could hardly stand or move, even with a walker and was in constant, substantial pain. Besides working full time, he had his hands full taking care of me, the house, meals, and all the assorted critters around here—just as hunting season was opening.

The problem turned out to be a large, rapidly-growing cyst on my spine, completely unrelated to the previous surgery and not even visible on a prior MRI. Another surgery brought enormous relief, although getting over it has been a slow and continuing process. He still does the majority of the chores, including virtually all the "work" involved in our renewed hobby of showing rabbits.

I was saddened to read of the passing of Alverta Look, K5MIZ, and Harriet Woehst, K5BJU. I enjoyed knowing both these ladies when I was in GAYLARKS back in the '60's. Rest in peace, Harriett and Alverta; you were a blessing.

Speaking of GAYLARKS, there is a funny story about a public service project we did on 2 meters, but that will have to wait for another time.

Happy Spring and send us some rain, please!

Ann

Winnsboro, TX, KD5MD, Zenda: Well, as usual, I have very little news. I had foot surgery in January, bunion, and hammer toe. I still have to wear that boot, even now after 2 months. I had no idea it would take this long to heal. Guess it's the osteopenia. It was very painful at first, but I barely limp now.

I have helped Jim very little on the Afrikaner Net. He has handled it very well himself. In many ways I miss the 2 days a week I once spent on the net, but I let Jim have it. I have worked a few DX expeditions lately, though no YLS. I have well over 300 countries confirmed & a large number of YL DX stations. I suppose the challenge is gone. Maybe one of these days I will check in to an YL contest.

Zenda

De Soto, TX, W5MWK, Joyce: I've been on the radio a couple of times. Hope to make it more often. Will go soon to our 2nd home in Gonzales County and hope to meet up with Ham friends at the Seguin Whataburger, and Dairy Queen in Gonzales. Still not feeling that great but thankful for each day I can get around.

No radio news. Family wise our G Granddaughter turned 6 today 06-19-13. Our first G. Grandson is due 07-04-13. We just celebrated our 61st Wedding Anniversary 06-14-13. Happy summer to all!

33, Joyce

Joyce congratulations on the G Grandkids and 61 years of marriage!

Seminole, OK, ICC5RWW, Beth:

March 2 and 3 were big days for me on 10 and 15M: Chile, Barbados, Virgin Islands, Turks & Caicos Islands, French Guiana, Ecuador and Brazil. The 3905 club continues to provide 80M contacts for me. The local repeater owner now has a 70cm repeater operating. It's my first experience with 70cm.

No snow here. Two days of rain brought the pond level up some.

At a county political party meeting I had a QST magazine with me. The young man beside me asked about it thinking it had something to do with aviation. After I told him what it was he said that his father was a ham and wasn't amateur radio a dying hobby.

I quickly told him we had over 700,000 thousand members and were bouncing signals off the moon and using satellites. He's always wanted to join but I guess his dad is inactive. I gave him the magazine and told him I'd be pushing him to get licensed.

The guest speaker mentioned that many counties across the country were probably meeting and that there must be at least 100,000 counties in the U.S. I got my QST magazine hoping to find the right number. Unfortunately the information was not in that issue. I sent her the correct number because she probably speaks in all 77 counties of Oklahoma eventually.

March was a fun month for me on the air during the WPX contest. Highlights are QSOs with Australia, Virgin Islands, New Zealand, Uruguay, France, Spain and Morocco on 10,15, 20 and 40M. I had a total of 28 QSOs.

I worked through another stack of old papers of my parents. Found my grandfather's military enlistment/ discharge papers from 1917-1922. He was in tire army twice. I've made nice copies to share with my siblings and cousin. The blanks were filled in with cursive handwriting. Some of it is hard to read. I never knew that grandfather he died 24 years before I was born.

I spent about 5 hours in the field on Field Day. All tire radios were inside an air-conditioned tent running on a generator. We were K5C, 3A OI<. I was the only active operating YL. An OM (in his 80's?) was just learning HF. He's a retired medical doctor and had just 2M experience.

We took turns on the 20M radio and I taught him a few things. Between us we made 10 contacts before I had to leave at 3:30 local time. Almost 3 hours later I was on my radio at home made 7 contacts on 15 and 20M. Sunday morning: 7 contacts on 10M. Later that evening after Field Day was over I made two 6M contacts.

The morning of July 4th I made 10 contacts on the YL system. That evening I went to party that has a swimming pool. The sun didn't beat down as hot as past years, but the water still felt great. There was lots of food and fellowship, then fireworks after dark the usual show.

We hope to have concrete poured July 8. A few days ago we had to disconnect the radio equipment and run it all through PVC pipe. We managed to get it hooked up correctly later, but will have to do it all again when the new siding goes on.

Beth

Garland, TX, Judi W0JJ: HamCom, in Plano TX on June 7 & 8 was a huge success. I want to thank YLRL members Sallie, AE5OM and Vicky, AE9YL for helping me in the booth.

We talked with 70 to 80 people— YLs, YLs who are Techs studying for General Class Grandpas with their granddaughters, dads with their daughters, OMs with their YLs who are upgrading, and OMs who brought their XYLs by to talk Ham radio. It was fun.

We signed 4 new members right on the spot just by offering them a seat to fill out the form and to mail it in for them. They are KJ5WRN, Janet Wrenn from Sugarland, TX; W5SEK, Shannon Kelly from Allen, TX ; KF5ERQ, Judy Seifert from Combs, AR; and K5KTX, Kelley Miller from Quinlan, TX. I had not worked the booth in 10 years.

One YL came by and made the comment that there was no Hospitality Sign-in sheet as she had seen in Dayton so I started one. I am so glad we did because now I have a list of those who stopped by; i.e., YLRL members AG6V, Donna Hinshaw and AG6OW, Linda Postenrieda from Petaluma, CA were here visiting relatives.



Beth, KC5RWW

District News continued after Center Section.

4- You Are Invited

To participate in a friendship quilt for the 75th anniversary of YLRL.

I volunteered to make the quilt for the 2014 YLRL convention that will be held in Vancouver, WA, in August 2014. I thought it would be fun to do a friendship quilt and have any YLs that are so inclined to submit one or more blocks for the quilt.

Block requirements

- Q 9 inch finished square
- 0 Any Star pattern
- Q Blue focus fabric, White background fabric, any color if your block requires 3 or more fabrics
- 0 Please prewash your fabrics before making your block
- Q Cotton fabric preferred
- Sign your block if you wish. (You may use an indelible marker or embroider).

Send all blocks to me by November 1, 2013. Please mark the envelope "YLRL Quilt", so that I know what they are.

There are lots of star quilt block patterns on the internet, so choose one that catches your imagination and matches your skill level. If you have never done a quilt block before and need some help, email me and I'll be glad to get you started or help you over hurdles.



Margaret Hardwick, AE7MB

The www.yldxpedions.com site has an update!!!

*** * * * UPDATE: JUNE 24, 2013 * * * ***

AS OF MID SEPTEMBER THIS PAGE WILL NO LONGER BE MAINTAINED.

BUT WAIT:

THE GOOD NEWS FOR YLS IS THAT AT OUR MOST RECENT MEETING AT IDXC IN VISALIA, IT WAS DISCUSSED AND VOTED UPON TO BECOME A PART OF YLRL "YOUNG LADIES RADIO LEAGUE".

PLEASE VISIT WWW.YLRL.ORG

THEY HAVE WELCOMED US WITH OPEN ARMS.



YLRL Convention 2014 Update

The convention registration form will be published in the November-December YL Harmonics and on the web site. Hotel registration is available now. Feel free to make your room reservation anytime by calling 888-475-3100 or access the Heathman Lodge web site at www.heathmanlodge.com/

Alaska Cruise information:

Grand Princess will sail from Seattle on 8/10/2014. We will be visiting Ketchikan, Tracy Arm (Sawyer Glaciers), Juneau, Skagway, and Victoria and will return to Seattle on 8/17/2014. We are looking into having a shuttle take us from the Heathman Lodge to the pier in Seattle. More information, prices, and accommodations will appear in future YL Harmonics. If you have questions contact Margaret Hardwick at [REDACTED]

Check out the Tour survey in the May-June section of this issue and give us feedback, so we can provide you with the tours that most interest you.

We have received approval from ARRL for the convention, so look for us in their convention calendar. We will have a few ARRL publications along with other prizes at the Saturday banquet.

Direct any convention questions to Barbara Yasson at [REDACTED] and keep checking the YLRL web site for updates.

We look forward to greeting you in Vancouver, WA next year