

YLRL 2014 Convention Tour Survey

The Pacific Northwest has many scenic opportunities. While the convention committee would like to share them all with you, the convention will not be long enough. Since we have to choose we would like some help. Please indicate your preferences and return your choices to: [REDACTED] or Barbara Yasson, 13208 NE 5th Ave., Vancouver, WA 98685 by Friday August 16. We will do our best to work in as many of your preferences as possible.

Tour day at the convention will be Friday August 8, 2014. We won't be able to offer all of them, so your favorites will help us work with the tour guide. Our tour guide has proposed the following tours:

Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum, McMinnville, OR, a 6 - 7 hour round trip tour. The museum has the Hughes Flying Boat HIC-1, the Spruce Goose; the B-17 Flying Fortress; the Titan II Missile; the SR-071 Blackbird, high-altitude reconnaissance plane; and many others

Columbia River Gorge, a 7 hour round trip tour. There are many scenic vistas, waterfalls including Multnomah Falls, the Bonneville Dam and nearby fish hatcheries, interpretive centers, and wineries along the way.

Mt. Hood Loop, a 9 hour round trip tour. The Columbia River Gorge, Hood River Valley, Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood, as well as the waterfalls, and sights on the way to Timberline and back.

Combined Portland Columbia River Gorge, a 6.5 hour round trip tour. A short Columbia River Gorge trip to Multnomah Falls as well as some of the Portland sights.

In addition to the Friday Tour(s) we are planning an Alaska Cruise that would leave the hotel after breakfast on Sunday and most likely sail from Seattle for a tour of Southeast Alaska. You should be able to fly into Portland for the convention and fly out of Seattle after the cruise, which may be considered a round trip.

We would like to offer a Mt. St. Helens tour on either Sunday August 10 or Monday August 11. It is an 8 hour round trip to Mt. St. Helens including visitor centers and interpretive sites.

To vote for your favorites indicate your order of preference for the local tours. 1 for most preferred, 4 for least preferred: Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum, Columbia River Gorge, Mt. Hood Loop, and Combined Portland Columbia River Gorge.

A couple of the local tours may include wineries or microbreweries. Indicate your choice if you would like a tour to include either a winery or microbrewery.

Indicate if you are considering the Alaska Cruise.

Indicate if you are considering the Mt. St. Helens tour. Do you prefer Sunday or Monday?

Indicate if you might rent a car and do sight-seeing on your own.

Thank you for voting for your favorites before September 25th, 2013. Feel free to add comments to the form you return to Barbara [REDACTED]

District News continued from before Center Section

Most of the names were from TX and OI< but I found KD5CCB, Cindy Penry from Glen Burnie, MD. Sallie, AE5OM, told me that we had a YL forum last year. With some planning we can come up with some topics for next year's HamCom.

I also had flyers on the table for my affiliated club Texas Young Lady's Round Up Net. We had 12 YLs sign up for our net. That was very exciting because we only have 2 of us on our weekly net right now. We welcome everyone to join us on Thursdays at 7:55AM on 3.947. Thanks to Betty Jo for sending out a request for someone to sit at the YLRL table. It was great to talk ham radio with so many YLs / OMs / XYLS / kids. I hope we can do it again next year.

In the pictures, Vicky, AE9YL showing off her new YLRL logo shirt that I embroidered for her; and the other is Judi, W0JJ and Sallie, AE5OM in the YLRL booth at Ham Com.

33, Judi

Cypress, TX, KF5LMJ, Sheree: There isn't much news from my end of town. I have been helping give FCC exams as an ARRL VE team member monthly for NARS. I participated in a soldering class sponsored by NARS at the Barbara Bush Library in spring, TX last month. I will be participating in the NARS field day event at Roy Campbell Burrough Park in Tomball, TX. See a picture of me, KF5LMJ with my husband Ron, KF5LFL welcoming visitors to our field day at Burrough Park in Tomball, Texas on Saturday, June 22.

Have a great summer and stay cool. Sheree

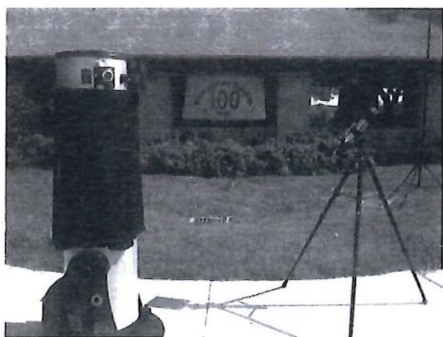
Quinlan, TX, K5KTX, Kelley: For the past year or so, the Dallas Amateur Radio Club has hosted a weekly net on Saturday nights called "Skynet" that is dedicated to all things astronomy and space. It is a very popular net, and includes a constellation tour, "what's in the sky this week", visible satellite flyovers, space science news, NASA updates, and more.

We have a resident professional astronomer (KF5JHA), several amateur astronomers and a NASA JPL Solar System Ambassador (me - K5KTX) who are regular participants in this net to answer questions and hopefully bring interesting information in a hobby that seems to share a lot in common with amateur radio.

To celebrate the success of this weekly net, members of the Texas Astronomical Society of Dallas brought their telescopes to Field Day on June 22, 2013 at Flag Pole Hill in Dallas. It provided a nice break for those radio operators who sweated all day in the Texas heat setting up and making contacts.

We observed the sun and its many sunspots during the day, and we had a beautiful night for stargazing and a supermoon to boot! In addition to the moon, we saw fantastic views of Saturn, the Hercules cluster (M13), the double star Albireo, the Ring Nebula (M57) and more.

Skynet is held every Saturday at 9:00pm CT and runs about 90 minutes. If you are in the Dallas area, you can find the net on the 146.880 repeater (PL 110.9, +). If you are not in Dallas, you can still participate via Echolink or Ustream:



Echolink: W5FC-R, node 37247.

Video Stream: <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/skynet2>

Audio Stream: <http://www.n5kd.org/webcast/>

To learn more, visit the DARC website at www.w5fc.org or find us at:

Yahoo Groups: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/skynet>

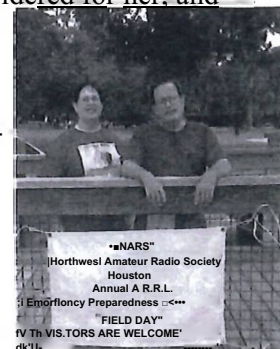
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(Attached photo: I<5I<TX's 14" Dobsonian and 40mm solar telescopes with the DARC 100th anniversary banner at Flag Pole Hill on Field Day, June 22, 2013)

Kelley

Kelley is a NASA JPL Solar System Ambassador and a new member to YLRL thank you for the great info and Boy! What a telescope.

YL Harmonics May-August 2013



Sheree, KF5LMJ & Ron, KF5FLB

Thank you all for sending in your news nice to hear all the radio activity. Remember to check into the YLRL nets and if I can help you with anything please let me know.

Betty Jo (BJ) Byrd

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The District 6 news really applies to all YLs who are interested in learning more about operating, Contesting and DXpeditioning!—Editor.

My Experience Contesting and Dxing

By Gayle Olson, I46GO

I live in Poway, California, USA and have been a ham for 24 years. My station is modest; Yaesu FT-2000, Alpha 374A amp, Hy-Gain Explorer 14 for 10,15 & 20, Hy-Power 40/80M dipole, 160M is a home brew based on the K6MM helically wound vertical design, and an R7.

I am active in the San Diego DX Club www.SDDXC.org and am currently ending my term as Past President. I am the President of the YL DXpedition club, www.yldxpeditons.com, as well as a member of PARC(Palomar Amateur Radio Club) www.palomararc.org and YLRL.

Through SCCC [Southern California Contest Club] I participate in most contests. I like the competition, but especially being part of a team that works together. I also like learning new techniques to be more successful.

I got involved through the (SDDXC) San Diego DX Club members who are contesters and they befriended me. N6KI, Dennis is known as the 'Contest Nazi', however he is an excellent mentor who wants us all to do well and learn.

When asked about the YL advantage I think that although the YL voice can help, some OMs do not hear the higher tones.

As for DXpeditioning, some of the most fabulous experiences of my entire life involve amateur radio.

- First I was part of a YL DXpedition to Montserrat, before the volcano erupted from July 25-30, 1993.
- Then my students talked to the astronaut on space shuttle STS 70 on July 18, 1995, 15:01:10 UTC.
- Additionally, I participated in a recent YL DXpedition to PJ2 land from March 18th to 22nd, 2011, where we were the first group of YLs to operate after the political change to the island. My calls while there were: PJ2W, PJ2/NA6YL, PJ2/K6GO.
- I also participated in WPX in March 2011 as ZF1A. Outside the contest I was and am ZF2GO.
- During the IARU contest in 2011 (July 9-10) we operated at the HQ station, under the callsign ZF1A. What a thrill.

In the United States, I have been licensed as KC6SQC. Then I was KC6YDQ, then Extra Class as, KM6WF, and now and lastly I am K6GO.

Thanks for all the fabulous contacts!

Gayle Olson, K6GO

YL DXpeditions Club President, SDDXC Past President

CalSTRS Benefits Counselor (California State Teachers Retirement System)

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Hello to all YLs in district 7 and beyond. I'm sitting up late typing this. It's gorgeous out with some rain and then a pretty sky with gorgeous big billowy clouds. So I decided to stay up and get some things accomplished. I love going out and looking at the stars and clouds now that the rain has stopped. It's always nice to do things, too, when the weather cooperates so well. And tonight it is.

This has been an exciting month for me. I studied for my extra for a couple of months and finally took the test on May 5th. I passed! I was so excited!

I only told my OM and a friend I was going to take the test and she said to call her right after I finished. I did and being the sweet friend she is she just schmoozed me up one side and down the other. (Isn't that what friends are for?!!) I also got schmoozed by my OM, KF7BHM. So there was a lot of schmoozing coming my way and I was more than willing to accept it!

My call was KE7WEN. As of around May 14th it became AF7BI (Alpha Foxtrot Seven Bravo India)! So I'm done with that part of my plan. Now I'm working on taking the VE open book test. By the time this newsletter is sent out I'll have it done. Good things are happening for me. I certainly hope you can all say the same thing.

We've had a change in our lifestyle that is sort of interesting, and quite fun. I've told you in the past about my OM working in Everett, WA, and we live near Vancouver, WA 4 hours away. Well he needed a place to stay the few nights a week he's up there.

So we got a camp/trailer site up in Port Susan Camping Club in Tulalip, WA, 14 hour north of Everett. It's really nice, with 2500 sites and many people live there full time. This site has an overhang to go over the trailei; a deck and a shed. It's all very workable.

Dan bought it himself, and I saw it the first time when we took the trailer up. I was really impressed. And I am very impressed with all of Port Susan. So it looks like I'll be going up at least once a month. One problem is there isn't any Internet, so I'll be taking other things to do. No surfing the web while I'm there! *Radio perhaps Marilyn?—Editor.*

SeaPac (The northwest's largest ham convention), in Seaside OR is in a couple of weeks. May 31-June 2. My OM, Dan and I went for a couple of days. We went last year and really enjoyed ourselves.

There are three of us YLs that will man the YLRL table. We like to have a couple of extra chairs there too, so if YLs come by and want to sit and talk they can. There's also the YL Luncheon that I'm looking forward to.

Barbara Yasson, AC7UH, will be facilitating the luncheon and getting us all to talk about our experiences with Amateur Radio. We also hope the weather will cooperate so we can walk around Seaside. They have candy stores on the boardwalk that makes the best salt-water taffy. I can't wait to get some.

I'm still on the path of learning CW. It's been fun but harder than I expected. I can send fairly easily but am still at the beginning stages of understanding what's being sent to me. I heard that's normal so at least I'm right along with other people. I just found out about a couple of nets that are strictly CW. So I'll be going on some of them. They're at night too, which is better for me.

hi a couple of days our club, Clark Co Amateur Radio Club, is doing communications for Battle Ground 14 Marathon. I live in Battle Ground and am excited to help. I'm going to be trained to do net control. It's something I've wanted to do for quite a while and it looks like I'm starting at this event.

I have to be downtown Battle Ground at 6:30am Sunday morning. A little early but I can handle it! I enjoy doing community events with the club, my OM and I try and do a few of them a year. And doing one in the town we live in is better yet!

There is something interesting in our club here in SW Washington, CCARC (Clark County Amateur Radio Club). I have to admit I never even thought about it until Sara Lyon, AB7PS, mentioned it to me (thank you Sara!). If she hadn't I don't know that I would have thought to mention it, but this club has 2 YLs in leadership positions as President and VP this year!

Lisa Bloomquist, KE7HPW, is our President, and Vanessa McCoy, KE7UBB, is our VP. That right there is newsworthy. But then to add Barbara Yasson, AE7UH, as the club Secretary and we have quite a group of officers. I'm pleased to be part of this club. They are a very dedicated group of amateur operators. Check out the website at www.W7AIA.org.

CCARC also has their Ham Fest on August 24th. We have a YLRL table. The man, (Larry, W7HGC) that organizes the event is very interested in having YL tables there. Thank you to Larry. These Ham Fests have been a huge success. The club has only been doing them for a couple of years. This one is number 3. I've been really surprised at the turnout. People really enjoy coming to them.

Be sure and not forget about the YLRL Convention in August 2014 here in Vancouver WA (right across the river from Portland, OR). We've been working on it for a while now and everything is

coming together quite well. It's going to be held at a hotel that was built with NW products- The Heathman Lodge. They also have an Andy Warhol collection that is quite impressive. I love anything Andy Warhol!

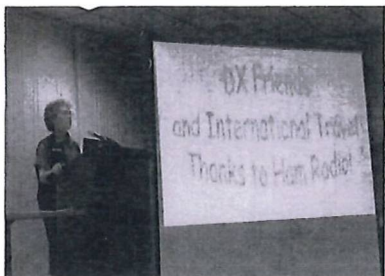
The Heathman Hotel is so nice. I was just really impressed with it. I don't think we could have picked a better place to have it. I really like having it on the north side of the Columbia River (where I live!). But it's just a gorgeous venue! I know you will all love it.

We also have tours planned and also an Alaskan cruise. Not to mention the good food the Heathman has planned for us. We ate there when we were checking it out and were totally impressed! You have to try their crab cakes. Just the best! Remember, August 2014!! I would love to meet lots of you at the 2014 convention!

Have a good couple of months and we'll connect again with the next newsletter!
33, Marilyn, AF7BI

District 8

Check out the great pictures from the Dayton Hamvention®. They are from all over the event including the YLRL Booth and the YL Forum as well as just wandering around to meet the YLs!



Anne, WB1ARU presenting at the YL Forum.

VP Linda, KC8PKY at the YLRL Booth.



Anne, WB1ARU; Ann, WA1S and Hope, WB3ANE



Prize winners collecting winnings.



Officers at the "Unofficial" Board Meeting

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Hello ladies. I hope everyone is enjoying spring weather. We had spring for a few days but then lost it for a few days. I think it is now back to stay.

Dayton is now past for 2013. I hope everyone who went that a wonderful time. We had to miss it again this year, but it was for a very wonderful cause. Our grandson Sean, KC8OAV graduated from Carnegie Mellon with a Bachelor's degree in Music Composition. He will student teach in the fall and then have a minor in education. Needless to say, we are very proud of him.

Two weeks prior. Matt, Sean's best friend, and our adopted grandson, graduated from Bowling Green State University with a Bachelor's in education. He will head to Indiana University in July to start work on his Master's. We are likewise very proud of him. I have never been to so many graduations in one year before.

I do hope that any 9-land ladies who attended Hamvention would drop me a line and let me know about the fun you had and who you saw and or met for the first time. That is the fun of Hamvention.

We are still Fox Hunting; unfortunately we haven't won yet this year. We seem to be losing in better positions this year. Last month we were in second place. Wish us luck for the rest of the season.

Our Wednesday YL net is still up and running. Some weeks we only have 2 check-ins but we still have fun. We have gotten to know a YL in Huntington, IN whom we hadn't met before and we have gotten to know the YL's in the radio club a lot better and had has made us closer friends.

The kitchen is finally finished. I was so ready for it to be done. Cooking and washing dishes in the laundry room was an adventure at first but then it got really old really fast. I almost feel like I'm in someone else's kitchen.

I hope everyone has a wonderful and safe summer. Let me know what you are doing, please.
33, Carole, WB9RUS

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Hello Ladies!

It has been a wild ride this summer as you may have read in the Editor's Note. Along with all the other great news from the YLs around District 10, I have some information on the Friedrichshafen Hamfest in the DX section, too!

Welcome to all the new and renewing members. I was glad to see a number of District 10 Ladies at the Dayton Hamvention. Isn't it a blast to go there?

Here's what some of the gals in the District have to report:

Donna Schaffer, ICC0SKD writes:

My name is Donna Schaffer, KC0SKD. Back in 1966 (8th grade!) I had a wonderful math teacher who introduced me to Amateur Radio. Cheryl, N0WBV at the YL Treffen in Friedrichshafen, Germany



At that time, I could only keep my Novice for a year without upgrading and I never mastered 13 words/min so, my license lapsed. Years later my husband (KA0S-VY) became interested and started up the ladder reaching his General in 1990 and his Extra in 2010.

When we moved back to Grand Forks, ND, he and a friend started pestering me about getting my license again. In 2004 I attended a Technician Class given by the FORX Amateur Radio Club. By that time code was no longer mandatory for Tech but still part of the General Class certification. I was offered the opportunity to «Grandfather in» my code, but took the test as a point of pure stubbornness! Passed!! Upgraded to General in 2007.

We gave our son-in-law (KD0BTT) a Technician License Manual as a Christmas gift a few years ago and he is now an Extra and President of our club.

Both my husband and I are active in Sky warn and spend several nights each summer out at National Weather as relays for those out in the field. We are both officers in the FORX Amateur Radio Club and this year I am in charge of our fall Hamfest.

Our interest in Amateur Radio has included 2 Meter, HF, Field Day, Foxhunting, Scouting Radio Merit Badges and Geocaching, Our grandson is only 5 but he already has the bug and is learning 2-meter etiquette.

I would love to have the opportunity to meet you in person.

73>s

Hope to catch you on the air.

Donna Schaffer, KC0SKD

From Marte, K0EPE:

My dear friends, I just read the listing for the YLRL SI< on the YLRL web page. My eyes are filled with tears and my heart is sad but the «memories» of all the YLs will be with me forever.

I can still hear their voices from being on Tangle Net when we shared the time together. Laughter and tears shared but always «friendship».

How lucky we are to have YLRL. Stop and think of how much we would have missed if we were not members! The friendships we have made through all the years.

Remember all the times shared at YLRL conventions when we finally get to put a face with the voice. Oh, the memories. YLRL 2014 will be another time to make memories.

Thank you for the YLRL web.

Marte also had some sad news to report. Many of you may remember her sister, Marie. Marie was not licensed, but attended many conventions with Marte, helping her sell the scholarship raffle tickets. She really enjoyed the conventions. Marie passed away May 6th, so please keep Marte in your thoughts.

"Marie and I were very close and I will miss her so much but I thank God for ALL the memories we have shared together, both good and bad. Marie has one son and three daughters.

It is really true that we never know how much «time» we have to share with loved ones and friends. Draw close to one another and share your time. Make lasting memories that will live with you forever.

Since Marie helped out so much with the Scholarship raffle, it might be nice to honor her by purchasing some of the raffle tickets for the 2014 convention in her honor instead of the usual donation! —Editor

I have started thinking of plans for Pete's 100th birthday party...plus fifty thousand jobs to do around house and yardwell, one thing at a time. "

33 Marte, K0EPE

Marte was sad to miss Dayton, but we were thinking of her there! We had a Margarita for you, too Marte!

It may take a while, but many YLs DO eventually join YLRL instead of watching from the sidelines and Margo, KB0MPL is one! Margo first met some of the YLRL members including Anne, WB1ARU and me in 2011 at a YLRL forum.

I am glad to be in the YLRL, I am not sure why I did not join two years ago. I>11 see if I can get on any of the nets from here in Iowa. My setup is a Ten-Tec paragon feeding an eighty meter dipole running 100W. I am afraid my radio is still torn down from field day.

It should be up by next weekend.

73,

Margot Conard neé Tollefson, KB0MPL

So nice to meet you Margot and I hope the radio is back up from Field Day. Glad to hear you participated in it! Good luck with the nets and please update us on your progress.

Summers usually mean my station is down and with the lightning the past few months, it is REAL-
LY down. Still, got Field Day and Friedrichshafen in along with trying to update all my QSL cards.

Don't forget to label that you are a YL when you send out your cards as many OMs collect YLs for awards as well. Still a lot to do, but at least as you read this, I will be on to the Directory issue! HI HI

33 & 73

Cheryl, N0WBV

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*Nancy, KC4IYD, Cheryl, N0WBV
& Anne, WB1ARU "To Marte!"*

PS Check out changes and corrections for District 10 recent changes and the new members section to welcome them!

VMriML7

Spring is in the air and the weather is starting to warm up. It sure has been nice in my place in the country and I see it's just as nice in KL7 land. Anchorage was 39* today, which has to be really nice for this time of year. Ketchikan was 44* (I'd feel right at home)! But Barrow was at 13*F! Oh dear!

As you read this message you will notice that I have a different call sign! I took my Extra test the beginning of May and passed! It sure was nice to relax after I was done. But then the day after I got really antsy to get my extra call sign. I was checking the ARRL and then the FCC websites a few times a day. I really wanted to get it. Then one day right at lunch I just decided to check it again and there it was- AF7BI. I had to keep checking it that day just to make sure I hadn't dreamed it. It was one of the calls I wanted, too. Needless to say I was pretty happy!

I had been part of an 'Extra' study group last summer and most of the people in the group had gotten theirs. At the last club meeting the man that led the group asked me if I was going to take the test. I knew I was a couple days later but I didn't want anyone to know so I'm afraid I lied to him and told him it would be a while. After I passed the test he was the first one I called to let know. He forgave me! (I knew I would stress if anyone knew, so I only told my OM and a close friend.)

Matanuska Amateur Radio Club had an article in their newsletter that I found quite interesting having to do with the Dayton Hamvention. Being way up in Alaska I'm quite sure very few make it to Dayton. So what does the club do? They go on an online broadcast of the convention. They have a schedule from May 15- May 19th and anyone can go on the website and watch what's going on there in Dayton. I've never been there before so it was interesting for me to be a part of it, even if it was computer generated. They even interviewed a man from the Qatar Amateur Radio Club. It was quite interesting. Thank you, Tom Medlin, W5KUB, for setting up this online broadcast. Next year I'll be watching it even more. I wouldn't have found out about it if I hadn't gone on MARC's website!

Juneau Amateur Radio Club has a new treasurer, YL Diane Kyser, WL7CQB. Congratulations Diane! This club also does an Extra class for people wanting to take the Extra test. It's 8 weeks long and out of that class came 6 new Extras. Must have been some good class! Five of the new Extras are from their club.

I thought I would let you know about the Alaska VHF-Up Group webpage. It's an informal group that works on VHF and the higher frequencies. They do VHF, UHF and microwave contests. They emphasize weak signal and long distance operation. Here's the website if you're interested—www.qsl.net/ak-vhf/ is the link.

I've been reading up on the Arctic Amateur Radio Club in Fairbanks. It sure looks like a good club to be a part of. They're very active in the community. The meetings are held on the first Fri of the month and license testing is on the first Sat of the month. To be testing monthly is quite an accomplishment. They also run a statewide repeater system. It's run even to remote areas. The Interior Net meets every Thursday evening at 1900 using the 146.88 local repeater system. Alternate frequencies (6m, 440cm, 146.52 simplex) can be used after the normal check in. Those of you in the Fairbanks area or surrounding areas should check in and see how it goes!

Be sure and keep an eye on the Harmonics for information on the YLRL Convention in August 2014! I would love to meet some of you KL7 YLs there. The plans are going well and everything is coming together.

We still have a year to go but I tell you I'm excited about it. There's an Alaska cruise in the making and I've been wondering something about it. I am wondering if it's possible to take the cruise one-way. If the cruise is after the convention (and we don't know if it's before or after yet) is it possible to fly to Portland one way and then take the cruise back. Wouldn't that be a fun thing to do? Or what about talcing the cruise ship south, stay for the convention and then take another trip back north again. As you can see I've never been on a cruise before so I don't know if these things are possible or not.

I hope your summer is a good one with lots of time and ability to do something in your communities.

Marilyn, AF7BI

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Hello, ladies, I regret my inability to attend the Dayton Hamvention, but I trust you all enjoyed it thoroughly.

ARRL Assistant Section Manager for youth in Alabama, Kaitlyn Cole, KS3P, in particular, found the Hamvention an exciting means of not only putting her amateur radio training into action, but also acquiring new skills.

"This year, I got to attend the Dayton Hamvention. My dad, Stan Cole NX3P, Mom, and I headed to Dayton on Wednesday morning for our 7-hour drive from near Huntsville, AL to Fairborn, OH. Between the Hamvention and the QRP ARCI Four Days in May event, I had a very busy week.

On Thursday afternoon, I attended the FDIM Build-A-Thon where I built a 30 meter CW beacon that is called "THE BEACONATOR", which is designed by Rex Harper W1REX. Joe Eisenberg K0N-EB was my Elmer at the Build-A-Thon.

After building the kit, we tested them for functionality and mine worked fine with no corrections needed. This is a great chance for youth, as well as adults to learn to solder and build a working kit. The Elmers are some of the best in Amateur Radio community and are willing to share their expertise. If you have never picked up a soldering iron, there is no better place to start, than with the helpful hams of the QRP community.

Friday morning was the start of the Dayton Hamvention. I volunteered at the ARRL youth lounge and many youth came and learned about Amateur radio.

Megan McClellan K5MEM came all the way from Texas to lead the Youth Lounge. She did a great job and there were several activities including electronic snap kits, Morse code bracelets, etc.

A youth ham, Joshua Gray KJ4NYI, came to the Hamvention as a Technician. He met my dad while he was operating his QRP rig behind the hotel and visited the Youth Lounge the next day. He studied in the Youth Lounge and went to the Hamvention VE session, and passed his General exam.

Also at Dayton we attended the YLRL forum where some YLRL officers spoke about events and activities for YLs. It is always fun to hear about YL activities and, as always, the group photo of all the YLs. There is always a great turn out for this forum.

Carole Perry WB2MGP, one of main advocates for youth in Amateur Radio, held her annual youth forum. This was the 26th year for her leading this event. Six very intelligent and talented young hams gave presentations on various topics. Some of the highlights were a presentation of youth's DXpedition to Cyprus, a presentation by a team that builds robots.

They built a robot that climbs light poles with a vhf/uhf antenna and a mount for an HF antenna, which would be used in disaster zones. There was also a presentation on working Amateur satellites. These presentations were all very informative. Last year, I spoke at this forum, and I can tell you, that a lot of hard work is required to create your presentation and practice to where you can deliver it with confidence.

Before I knew it, it was Saturday evening, and we attended the QRP ARCI FDIM Banquet. We had a nice meal, and enjoyed chatting with other hams seated at our table.

Sunday morning, we packed up the car and headed back to Alabama. I again had a great time attending the Hamvention."

73 Kaitlyn Cole KS3P

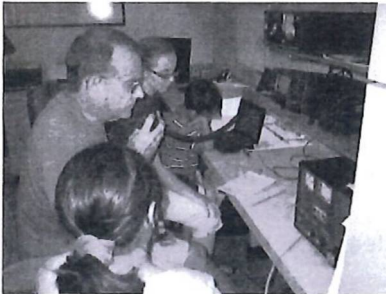
ARRL Assistant Section Manager - Youth, Alabama Harvest, AL

In reflection of the Dayton Hamvention, Kaitlyn finds that the plenteous activities for young operators allow them to "discover the equipment, and more importantly, the experienced hams that will share the wealth of knowledge."

As field day 2013 approaches, I urge you to participate in the event, as it remains one of amateur radio's finest opportunities to connect with operators from around the world and throughout the community. In years past, I have contacted operators from Florida to Canada, but the most rewarding asset of field day is working with my fellow operators, for the camaraderie involved spurs each one of us to continue transmitting our call signs even when we are ready to abandon our bandwidths and pack up our radios. This year, I will be operating from the Klein Volunteer Fire Department, so if you hear the call sign, "Kilo Delta Five Victor Foxtrot Delta," try to connect. I am looking forward to hearing you on the air.

After the inspirational Dayton Hamvention, ARRL's field day contest provides an excellent mechanism for operators to test and refine their new skills. The Spring Amateur Radio Club of Houston, Texas, would like to thank Mr. Rich Jones, W5VEK, Executive Director of Klein Volunteer Fire Department for generously allowing us to use the fire department's facilities and ham radio equipment.

We were joined by Mr. Albert Pizana, AA5PS, and his grandchildren, Sonia, Sara, and Jonathan Hernandez, who aspire to become amateur radio operators. We contacted operators from Canada to Alabama, logging over one hundred and thirty calls. All participants thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity to refine their skills and eagerly anticipate the 2014 amateur radio field day.



Working Field Day 2013



VE Newy

It is April, as I write this, and Spring has arrived on the west coast of Canada. All the spring flowers in my garden are in bloom and there are carpets of wild lilies, violets and trilliums blooming in the woods. I cannot report the same for the rest of our country but there are indications that winter is loosening its grip. It is nice to see everything greening up and by the time you read this I am sure all of us will be enjoying warmer weather.

We were all saddened to hear that another of our number has lost her OM. First Ann, VE3HAI, lost her husband Bare, VE3HAH, and now we hear that, just a short time ago, Jeannie, VA3WX, lost her husband, Rick. We want to extend our deepest sympathy to both YLs and their families. A very sad and difficult time for you both.

CLARA Family Contest on March 19th and 23rd was a bust for me this year. Conditions were very poor with signals from the east just fading away and signals from the north (Europe) non-existent. The YLs in the east were successful and enjoyed many contacts. Aw well, for me, there is always next year... I am still collecting "Favorite Foods" for this year's award and seeking out Great-Grandmothers wherever I can.

Lots of fun and keeps me interested in communication with YLs on the bands. One day I might even have the pleasure of contacting the DX-YL Net on Mondays. I listen but so far conditions have not allowed me a contact.

We received the sad news that Gwen, VK3DYL, became a silent key on May 27, 2013. Elizabeth, VE7YL, has sent a website for us to view that was put together by Gwen's son. You will enjoy it: <https://vimeo.com/67453453>. Elizabeth and Gwen had been good friends for many, many years and YL Harmonics May-August 2013

traveled to a number of places on DXpeditions. Several photos on that site show Elizabeth and Gwen happily together and enjoying themselves and Amateur Radio. You can also access this video on our YLRL Website: www.ylrl.org or on CLARA's website: www.clarayl.ca

It was nice to receive a newsy note from Merle, VE1VCI, (see below) and to hear she will be celebrating her 90th birthday on August 2nd and 3rd.

Happy Birthday, Merle !! All our love and very best wishes to you from all your friends in YLRL. Have a happy day and a super celebration with all your family and friends!! I am looking forward to reading the book your son's are writing about your very interesting life. Wouldn't it be wonderful if that brand new Great-Granddaughter of yours managed to arrive on your birthday?? You should have a word with her mother, Merle; see if you two can't arrange something. Hihih

A tip for all YLs who are trying to complete logs of 15 Grandmothers or are now starting to look for 15 Great-Grandmothers, I understand Merle checks in to the YLDX Net on Mondays. I don't think there is a YL out there who will top Merle's count of 20 Great-grandkids. I could be wrong, though. Have a safe and wonderful summer. Enjoy every day. 33 Suzanne, VE7IM

Take care and keep well. 33 Suzanne, VE7IM

Ann, VE3HAI, writes: She and her daughters hosted a very successful tribute lunch on March 30th. Her OM, Bare, VE3HAH, wanted a celebration of his life and it most surely was that. Her daughter, Janet, N9ZKU, who also holds a Canadian call, is in the process of exchanging her old Canadian call for VE3HAH. So, as Janet said at the tribute, " VE3HAH will remain in the Nutter family as long as there is a family ham to hold it."

"My daughter Janet, N9ZI<U, has already received Bare's call sign. We're happy the officials were so prompt in responding to our request. Janet will use her US call and just hold Bare's.

Bare and I were given the matched pair, when we moved back to Ontario many years ago. A friend from Quebec immediately said "Here Ann Is" for my call (VE3HAI) and "Here's Aim's Husband" for Bare's (VE3HAH). We had a lot of fun using those calls. Aim hopes everyone has a safe and healthy summer. Enjoy summer flea markets, be happy when you can, and make every day count.

33 Ann, VE3HAI

Elizabeth, VE7YL writes: Got out for my first round of golf this week and it really was good to play - the game pretty awful but the exercise much needed. Plans for field day seem to be well in hand. The Richmond club is setting up once again near the mouth of the Fraser River. Just hope for good weather because rains near the Gulf of Georgia comes in horizontally and tents tend to get torn from their moorings! Have a great spring everyone.

Plan on going to Calgary next month for a birthday weekend with my granddaughter who, very cleverly, was born on my birthday. Other than that it will be a summer at home with family, visiting family from the States and I hope visiting Hams.

Still chasing IOTA (Island on the Air) with a total zero when I tried and missed working an island off Egypt. Only heard them once and such a weak signal that they really weren't there. I wonder if they will ever go back? Hope everyone has a great summer and a safe one.

Elizabeth VE7YL

Heather, VE3HQH writes: I worked the CLARA HF Contest and had a good number of contacts, just waiting for the final score.

Also, completed the YLRL Favorite Food Award and that was fun. There are lots of different foods out there. Looking forward to whatever they come up with for next year. If you've never tried it, you should.

We always take part in the field day weekend in June, this year is no exception. Boy, how time flies, seems like we just did it.

Looking forward to hearing as many of you as possible. A girls voice always gets lots of responses. Take care and keep well. Hope everyone has had a good spring and is looking forward to a great summer. My thoughts and prayers go out to all who have been affected by the severe weather. Every year we seem to be getting hit harder, hope this is not a continuing trend.

Monday (June 3rd) we leave for Manitoulin Island, for a week long dance and camping. We're talcing the canoe with us, so I hope we get a chance to use it. We'll be home in time to get ready for our

Strawberry Social dance and then it'll be time for the Field Day weekend. I've been working on my CW, so I can help Doug make more points. There seems to be fewer and fewer CW operators that will take part in the contest. Good luck to everyone, and enjoy the summer.

33, Heather VE3HQH

Vai, VE5AQ writes: I hope everyone is doing okay, and I know some of you must prepare for those hurricanes, and tornadoes, so hopefully they are not plentiful this year and that all of you gals are safe.

Hopefully by the next article, I will be able to say what a wonderful hot summer we are having. Take care everyone. Prayers for those who want them, for those who need them and everyone else.

I am working on the laptop, because the desktop decided to quit. I swear it knows when June comes around. *I know the computer quitting issues!*—Editor Anyway, took it to my computer guru and he said nothing was wrong with it, so bring it home and plug everything into it and now figure it is my monitor. You just got to love this computer age.

We are getting a bit of rain, at the moment, and possible thunderstorms, so running on battery power so this will be short and sweet. As most of you know my OM and I like to go camping in June while the harmonics are all still in school. We do love children just not when they are screaming at 2 in the morning, because they are tired and want to go to bed, but mommy and daddy are too busy talking to pay any attention.

So we are checking out the camper, fridge works ok, oh let's check the water tank and pipes. Now we have an antique airstream camper, and we love it, but, and of course there is a but, the water pipes run under my side of the camper, so off comes the mattress because that's where it tends to leak, but this year this did not happen, we had 3 tiny leaks, and the worst was behind the stove. That was a problem but we finally found it and it got fixed. Next year I will remember to put in the RV antifreeze into the tank and pipes. So finally the camper is all ready to go and we (and you know I mean me) still have to pack the groceries, clothes etc., as we are leaving soon. By the time you all read this, our camping will be over and we will be settling in waiting for oh shiver me timbers - fall will be in the air.

Also for all the prayers that were sent as I went through the 8 treatments for laser to seal all the bleeders behind the eyes, thank you. God is Good. Still have a few minor problems, but they will be dealt with eventually.

Now the OM says I must tell you another story about me and dirt. We were putting water into the holding tank of the trailer, and he said to please go and turn off the water, so I proceeded to head towards the house, only my shoe caught on a board that I had down in front of the camper door and I then decided to try and play sliding in the dirt reaching for home base. I did a real good number on my elbow, came in the house and cleaned it off, then put a very large bandage over it. When hubby saw the bandage, he asked what happened, I very calmly said, I scraped my elbow...darn good scrape too, but it's all-better now.

I also found out that things like that hurt more now than when I was a lcid... they don't tell you that in any manuals that I can find on growing up.

That's it for this time girls. Hope all of you had a great summer. Hope those who had to put up with severe weather; I pray that all of you are safe.

33 Vai, VE5AQ

Merle, VE1VCI, writes: We have had a real cold May with the exception of 3 days in the first week when Sid and the farm workers were lucky to get planted 15,000 strawberry plants. Since then it has been rainy and cold. I was happy to be able to work at my comforters this past winter.

I started in January and completed 18 double bed comforters. These are Tied quilts but very warm. If I was making a quilt I would just be able to compete 1 during the same length of time. I sold 10 with the money going to our senior's group. The rest I gave to sick, needy and burnt out folks.

In August I will celebrate my 90th birthday. 57 of my children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and in-laws are all coming home from as far away as Australia. My 5 sons are writing a book about my life from the time I was born until the present. They asked me to name it so I called it "Until the Cows Come Home" I looked after the cows on the farm for 28 years and loved every minute. The book will be published. So I have a busy summer ahead. I hope I survive. I almost forgot to tell you - my 20th Great Grandchild is coming in August. Going to be a girl so that will make 10 & 101!

33 Merle, VE1VCI

DX CGILLIWV

Dear YL friends.

My radio contacts has been on the different nets and I do enjoy talking to all my friends I meet on the nets. I haven't worked any rare country and I wonder if I ever will work all there is.

Conditions are not so good due to solar flare, which have come several times. We on DX-YL net struggle through them never give up but sorry that we don't hear each other every time.

Do not give up if you tried to check in, try again we want to talk to you.

I thank the sponsor and members for sending in the membership fees and if you haven't gotten your membership card via e-mail or post let me know.

I thank Valma Von Holt, KH6QI for donating money to help pay for the DX-YL. She wrote she will try to come to YLRL meeting next year in Vancouver, WA where she has family and bring them, Valma is 91 years old. What a super lady.

Many of you are traveling and I have heard from some about their travel, but first we lost a long good friend to many and Lois, WB3EFQ told me of Gwen VK3DYL, SK.

"It was 1983 when I made my first contact with Gwen VK3DYL and I received her homemade QSL card confirming our contact. That was the start of many conversations both on air and in person. Tom and I were fortunate to host Gwen's son David in 1987 and the next year Gwen, in our home. The flip side of this was that my OM, Tom and I, had the pleasure to visit Gwen in Australia in 1989. Gwen returned again in 1992 and we traveled to the New England area and ARRL. This was a marvelous experience and the beginning of more travels where I had the opportunity to meet the YLRL girls I have sponsored over the years.

Gwen passed away May 27, 2013 after a brief illness and while I am saddened by her passing I know that she was no longer able to take her wonderful DX trips to the far corners of the world and the contact the many, many amateur radio friends she made through the years. One of her last trips was an air flight over Antarctica with her son David. She will be missed by all who knew her and loved her.

I can't say enough about how the YLRL sponsor program has enriched my life by getting to know YLs all over the world and Gwen was my first."

I heard from some of you and thank you, do send some news I need to hear from you during the year to write this column.

Carol, ZL2VQ writes:

Many thanks for sending my YLRL membership card, and I really appreciate Karen's continuing sponsorship.

I must admit to not being very efficient at forwarding our WARO news bulletins to her, but will be working on that this week.

It is Autumn/Fall here now... however, we are currently experiencing 'drought conditions', the worst for 70 years!

Our 'mainly dairy farming community' is really feeling the conditions, as 'fresh feed' is very scarce.

We have had very little rain for some 3-4 months, and current daytime temperatures are still up in the 20-25 C area during the day.

I must admit, down to 8-10 C during the nights - which is really nice for sleeping; especially with lower humidity levels as well.

However, I have 'spring bulbs' coming through the ground, and 2nd generation of flowers on the one remaining Capsicum plant!

Our weather is just crazy at present.

Nice to hear from you, and thank you for your good work.

33/88, Carol ZL2VQ

From Diane, G3ZUC:

Thank you so much for your E-mail and for sending my membership card. I feel very guilty as I have not kept in touch with any of my Ham friends due to having had a bad fall last December 19th. My friend called for me to take me to Church and I rushed out so as not to keep her waiting and as I

got into her car, realized I had forgotten my collection and another rush back to the house, and caught my foot on something and crashed.

My friend thought I had changed my mind and left with her family. I spent a very cold and miserable night on the floor in great pain. Vivienne decided to call the next morning as she had phoned several times with no success and was horrified to find me out for the count.

I was in hospital in no time and whisked off to the operating theatre. I spent a while in hospital and then was taken to a Nursing home, which was rather like a 5 star hotel, I made a lot of new friends and put on a lot of weight, the food was excellent as were the staff. Unfortunately, one lunch time as I was coming out of the small dining room with my metal walker (had wheels so fairly easy to control), when a resident, who also had a walker, seemed to wait for me to draw level and pushed her trolley into mine and down I went with an almighty crash. I began to think I was destined to stay in hospital.

Learning to walk again has made me realize how much we take walking for granted. I'm making great strides if you'll excuse the pun, and am trying to regain my confidence which I'm sure will be soon.

Have had a lovely week, I had my 90th birthday coming up and had no intention of celebrating, but my sister, who lives about 7 miles away came over and took me out to lunch and on my return home, one of my lovely nieces brought the biggest, most lovely cake. It had beautiful flowers made up in icing with a "Happy Birthday" across it. It arrived just in time as several friends called in to wish me well and it was a lovely welcome home too.

Anyone calling in the next few months will be most welcome plus there is lots of this lovely cake in the freezer! Just realized how late it is, and very cold. We had lovely WX in January, better than Spring is normally but since March 1st it has snowed, hailed and rained nonstop.

My 73 to all the girls, a very happy 2013 with wishes for a really healthy year ahead. Diane (Cardell)
G3ZUC

Bev, VK6DE writes:

Thank you Rose-Marie, for the membership card.

We have had the hottest summer for 30 years here in Geraldton, so we are looking forward to some cooler weather now that autumn is here.

Geraldton is 400kms north of Perth on the Central West coast of Western Australia on the Indian Ocean, which I look out over from my home.

33, Bev Hebiton VK6DE.

Meg, VIC5YG sends:

Thank you for the membership card to Jan 2014. I have enjoyed my membership of YLRL for several years now, and Sue Sabin has been a good correspondent.

Our area has not been prone to bushfires (as we call them in Australia), For which we are very thankful!

This morning I have been helping to give an introductory "trial" session to members of our local U3A members.

It was beautifully warm and sunny and a pleasure to be out- of- doors. Our temperature will be about the low thirties this week, becoming warmer as we go, but not too hot!

33, Meg VK5YG

Christine, GM4YMM did this wonderful trip I am sure you all will enjoy.

Our Scandinavian tour:

Ken and I finally were able to plan this long Journey to the North Cape. We had nothing booked, except the 2 ferry crossings.

We travelled from Newcastle to Ijmuiden (Amsterdam), crossed Holland, into Germany and past Hamburg up into Denmark. We crossed the 2 Bridges to get to Malmoe. We had no bookings anywhere. We just drove and stopped when we were tired. Distances are huge!!

We had our portable radio with us and managed to do 7 SOTA hills in 4 countries. The SOTA co-ordinates were perfect for getting us there on the GPS.

One or 2 of the hills were easy, while Yllaes had snow right to the top and we were really tired after a hard scramble up to the top. But on all the summits we were able to make the QSO's needed for activation.

We saw terrific waterfalls and rapids, snow -meter high beside the roads, reindeer grazing on the salt from gritting, Sami villages, old homesteads and museums. Not all places were open as it was not high season yet, but we saw what we could.

Then we drove to North Cape, beautiful clear roads, snow everywhere and ice on the lakes. We did cross the Arctic Circle line twice - going north and coming south again!

The North Cape was dreams come true for me. But it was windy. We got our picture taken as well!!

Now the journey south began. North Cape to Alta- (on the "E6 ",the only road south) -Skibotn-Narvik- Fauske. The mountains were covered in ice and snow, and round every bend there was more stunning scenery to look at.



Christine, GM4YMM at the Arctic Circle

We had 2 days in Bodo on the coast. Ken did his military service there, in the Royal Norwegian Air Force. Lots of things to remember indeed, the new Air-Transportation Museum was a real treat indeed and we saw a letter from his Grandfather from 1912. He was involved in getting the first ever aircraft to Norway back in 1912.

From Bodo south Morokolien.(Magnor) There we activated LG5LG from the Radio-shack and surprised KB4RM, when we turned up on the YL DX net on Monday. The set-up is superb indeed. The previous entries in the log were Unni LA8RHA and her friend Sigrid. You can book the shack (all details on qrz.com) or you turn up at the Swedish border post and show your license, pay a small fee and operate for a day.

Our GPS found a little village called DONS and we stopped and took lots of photos for the family! There we did our last SOTA, in 28 deg. and climbing in dense forest.

Back into Germany, a few stops and then the ferry home to Scotland.

The WX was great all during the 5 weeks and we were so lucky indeed. No breakdowns or accidents!

We drove 4.900 miles in total and were away for 37 days. All the campsites were great for us. We had English £'s, Euro's, Swedish Krona's, Danish Kr and Norwegian Krone' with us, and came home with some as well.

We do not know where we will have a holiday next year!?! Our little Motorhome needs a rest just now.

The return trip to Amsterdam through Germany and Holland was uneventful; only one short spells of torrential rain with hailstones!

33, Christine, GM4YMM

Sigrid, DL3LG went to Friedrichshafen and her report:

The HAM RADIO is the biggest Amateur radio expedition in Europe. This year 15,300 visitors attended, more than last year, with 170 exhibitors, seventy high-qualified technical lectures and a lot of special workshops.

We YLs had a special booth surrounded by tables and chairs for conversation. About 120 YLs and 90 OM were signing the guest book at the booth.

We met many well known and a lot of new YLs. Few old timer YLs could not join anymore, but younger and new ones being very interested seeing us. It is very nice to meet so many YLs in one place.

On Saturday afternoon we met for the yearly international YL-meeting in Bistro Florence. This year's motto for the HAM RADIO was "DX and DX- pedition", as well as our YL-meeting. We listened to wonderful lectures by Heide, DK1MA, about 5W0M, Samoa; by Babs, DL7AFS, about their 20 expeditions around the world; Evelyn F5RPB, about Greenland, OX6YL; and a report by Ruth, IT0ESZ, about Fair Island / Orkneys, GB2YLS, read by Christiane, DL4CR.

As always the international YLs were asked to introduce themselves. Christiane could welcome 19 YLs from 8 countries, see photo. They also signed the guest book and received a small present. The YLs with the longest way were Cheryl, N0WBV, from Denver, Colorado, USA and JI1JRE from Tokyo, Japan. Other YLs came from Austria, Czech Republic, France, Hungary, India, Japan and Switzerland.

We all enjoyed the nice get together.

It was very interesting at the HAM RADIO in Friedrichshafen/Germany and we all hope to meet there again in 2014.

33, Sigrid DL3LG



It was easy to find YLs! They were at many booths.



The DX YLs at the YL Meeting



DL5YL, DF1TE and DLI1CB

Cheryl, N0WBV also got a chance to go to Friedrichshafen for the first time. She really enjoyed the trip. (Though she made the meeting, so was so busy looking around, she never did sign the YL Guest Book!)

"This was my first time to Germany and I found the whole area totally delightful. I had a good workout with my language skills. At the HAM RADIO, I found so many YLs. I was immediately taken under wings and directed to the YL-Treffen/YL Meeting (Described above).

My Brother-in-law's family came as well and my 3 nieces (Ages 10,10 and 7) **INSISTED** on coming to the HAM RADIO and the YL Meeting. Their favorite part was being able to build a kit each.

I have been to other major Ham events around the world and this is one of my favorites. Clean and welcoming with so many helpful people. The booths were really outstanding and I loved the fact that there was an actual restaurant there.

I have been going to the Dayton Ham vention® for 17 years, but it is nowhere near as nice as the one in Germany.

Others will have described the YL Meeting, but I must say I really enjoyed it. My German was a little stretched, but with the photos, I understood the basics of all the presentations.

What fun to be included in the DX-YL group for a change. I won't make it every year as it is a

bit of a haul from Denver, Colorado (Tied for longest distance to the Hamfest with JIIJRE-Hatsumi Muto, I think) but DO plan on going there again.

We went there for HAM RADIO, but other highlights of the trip included a ride on the Zep-
pelin, the Nurburgring (a Formula One Track you can race on), riding through the Chunnel and
touring London.

Now to sort through all the pictures and get my scrapbook done!"

33 & 73 Cheryl, N0WBV

Do send me news of your summer and you meet me on DX-YL net every Monday. Conditions
are terrible we do struggle between 20m and 15m and never give up.

My summer trip will be to Roskilde, SYLRA meeting and home to Sweden. I will report on that
in next issue.

Also, please let me know of any address changes as the Directory goes out as the next issue.

Good DXing

33, Rose-Marie, KB4RM

Website Report from Webmaster Val, VE5AQ

I am happy to say, that the YLRL website is in good shape. My thanks to the gals who keep
me updated on Silent Keys, Continuous Memberships, new members and other great informa-
tion. This is your website; I only keep it as up to date as you give me information. So if you
have photos you want put on, stories you want me to write about, DX information, please
don't be shy. I have heard good reports from folks who are not even hams or YL Hams...so
we must be doing something right. Yvonne ZR6TBL and Marianne ZS6ANA send their best
wishes to all stating that they are going into their winter this month (April) and it's cold—
Think I will send Yvonne her Bluebird of Happiness, and put a smile on her face.

Website is doing great. Since moving our server to South Africa, it has been trouble free.
Dirk who has the servers is a great guy, and If Yvonne says he's good, then he is good.

Everything is up to date, and if there is something that I missed, please send it to me, and it
will be put on the site

Till Next time that's all she wrote 33 Vai, VE5AQ

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*The PCistory and Proper Use of 33 "33", the signature used between y£s is
often mis-used and its origin tends to get lost. y£P£ was organized in 1939
and it was at this time that, through y£P£ women amateur Radio Operators
seemed to find their niche. "y£" was adopted as a general term denoting any
Licensed Amateur feminine operator, regardless of age or marital status.
"33" was originated in 1939 by Cara, PV2KV/P (ex dV8KyP) and adopted
by y£P£ for exclusive y£ use. It means "Love sealed with friendship between
one y£ and another y£". With this background and meaning, it is very
understandable that "33" is not only exclusive with y£s but is NPVZP used in
the CuraC. PVe sign "33", never 33's.*

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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*

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Dear Carol,

Heidi Sterner, W0WRN & Cheyenne Sterner, N0CKS

Multiple changes:

I 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

YL NetNewy

The "Unofficial" YLRL net on Thursday nights is still going strong. Anne, WB1ARU is net control and heard from Gary, WA5FWC as control op for 3 Young Ladies in his club.

"Thanks Ann for the fine QSO with the YLs at our club meeting. These YLs were very impressed that there are such groups as yours on Amateur Radio. I want to thank all of the net for their graciousness this evening. I think we will have a few more hams that may be joining your group. Macy is already licensed as a new member of Ham radio. She got her ticket after taking our club class. She is a very sweet young lady I believe she is 16 years old.

We had 18 young people from a high school class take the class and all passed the exam. I was very impressed with their ability. The other years were her friends and are interested in getting their ticket also. The club station is at the Fire Station #3 in Mansfield Texas. This is our EOC. We had 42 attend to night meetings. Our club is very active in emergency communications. We are very pleased to have such a great group of Young people interested in our activities.

Our group has participated in many of the tornado events we have been besieged with this year. Hurricanes in the last few years and the City of WEST that had the fertilizer explosion. The list goes on and on. We have many certified FEMA personal and certified Storm spotters.

Again I want to take this opportunity to thank every on the net tonight for their help in making this a pleasurable evening for our group of aspiring YLs.

Gary WA5FWC Club Treasurer

Net Changes and Corrections

TYLRUN Net:

Thursdays at 7:55AM central time on 3.947 with Net Control, Judi Jaska, W0JJ

TANGLE Net:

Thursday at 1800 UTC on 14.297

The **CLARA Nets** resume this month:

80M Net: Mondays, on 3.750 at 7 p.m. Eastern Time and 8 p.m. Atlantic. (Time remains the same after our time change.)

40M Net: Tuesdays, on 7.055 at 9 a.m. Eastern and 10 a.m. Atlantic (Time remains the same after our time change.)

20M Net: Tuesdays, on 14.120 at 2 p.m. Atlantic, 1 p.m. Eastern, Noon Central, 11 a.m. Mountain and 10 a.m. Pacific (Time falls back one hour, after time change.)

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.

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There are quite a few YLRL members to be thinking about this time around. Too many Silent Keys lately. I fear. One more reason to keep seeking the Youth to keep Amateur Radio alive with YLs!

Lois, WB3EFQ sends this news: "I was saddened by the death. May 27, of my friend, Gwen VK-3DYL. 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."

Anne, WB1ARU writes: "I 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.

Also, I was sorry to learn that Vera WA1JYO has become SK. I know that some of you remember her from the net in recent years. Others remember meeting her at luncheons or conventions in the past. She had been a member of both WRONE and YLRL, although in the last couple of years she had not been as well and was unable to get on the air."

33, Anne WB1ARU

Our District 1 Chairwoman, Bobbie, W1JX also wrote in about Vera.

"We are 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."

33 from Bobbie, W1JX

Marte, KOEPE also had some sad news to report. Many of you may remember her sister, Marie. Marie was not a ham, but loved to attend YLRL conventions with Marte where she helped Marte with the Scholarship Raffle Tickets.

"Marte Wessel, KOEPE's sister Marie Justus died May 6th. The YLs will remember Marie selling scholarship tickets with me at the YLRL conventions. She really enjoyed the conventions.

It is really true that we never know how much "time" we have to share with loved ones and friends. Draw close to one another and share your time. Make lasting memories that will live with you forever."

With the 2014 YLRL Convention coming soon, don't forget to remember Marie as you purchase the raffle tickets to support the YLRL scholarship drive!

Thank you to all of you for passing along the news as we keep the families and YLs in our thoughts and prayers.

**Have you finished the 2013 Friendship Award?
There is still time, so think of you favorite food
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