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Winner of the Mary  
Lou Brown  
Scholarship.



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Scholarship.

**Apologies for the delayed issue.  
Check out this issue for what has been going  
on with the YLRL members!**

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## President's Info De Bobbie Donohue, W1JX



Hello, everyone:

As I am writing this, it is a beautiful fall day here in New England. We have colorful foliage now with blue skies and pleasant temperatures. However, when you are reading this, it will be winter and the holidays will be in the past.

I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday season filled with good times with friends and family. As you head into the dark, chilly days of winter, I hope you will find time to keep in touch with old friends and make new friends on the radio. We bought some new radio gear at the Dayton Hamvention® last May and are looking forward to putting it to good use over the winter.

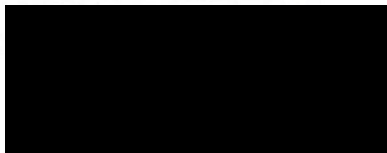
Please keep in touch with your District Chairmen and let them know what you have been up to so that they can share your activities in with us in Harmonics. I know that I enjoy reading all the news from the various Districts and also looking at any pictures that are included. Since we do not have regular meetings, the only way we can get to know each other is through Harmonics. So, introduce yourselves to your District Chairmen so they can introduce you to the rest of us.

Thank you for your membership in YLRL and for your participation in amateur radio. My next message to you will come half way to spring, so hang in there and stay warm.

33, Bobbie Donohue, W1JX



## Vice President's Info De Marilyn Melhorn, AF7BI



### International YL-Activity to mark the World Women's Day 2017

For the fourth time, the DARC's YL group and Sophie, F4DHQ are organizing an international YL-Activity at the International Women's Day on:

**Sunday, March 5th, 2017 from 08:00 until 12:00 MET (07:00 until 11:00 UTC) on 40m and 80m in SSB & CW**

For the rules please see <https://www.qrz.com/db/F4DHQ>

We wish all participants good luck and many successful contacts!  
Sophie, F4DHQ, and Christiane, DL4CR

### CLARA 50th Birthday Invitation

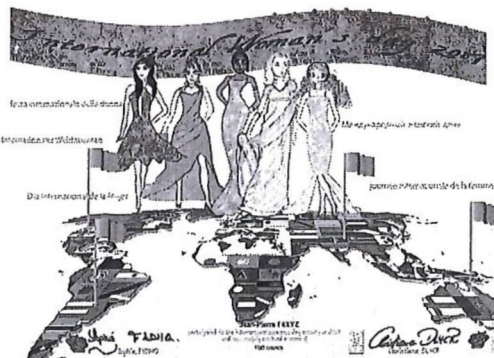
If any of you are planning a wonderful holiday in Canada in 2017, CLARA would love to see you at their 50th Birthday Bash. July 17-22 2017. This convention will be held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. It's truly the Centre of Canada.

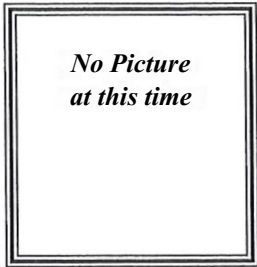
We have booked a block of rooms at the Best Western Plus Airport Hotel for a great price of \$109.00 Canadian Dollars. We are looking at double occupancy.

Please go to the CLARA website: [www.clarayl.ca](http://www.clarayl.ca) and go to the CLARA's 50th Birthday Bash for a short survey, and to see what we have started to get planned for you.

This is not just for CLARA members; this is for ALL YLs who wish to attend.

We would love to see you in Winnipeg. 33 Vai Lemko VE5ACJ President CLARA





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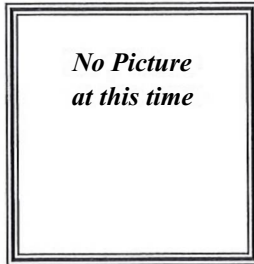
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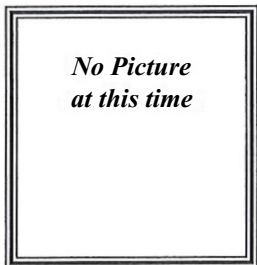
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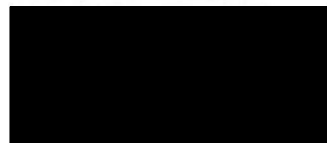
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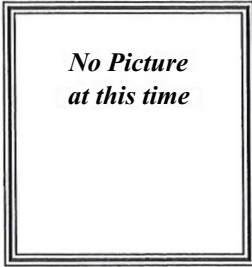
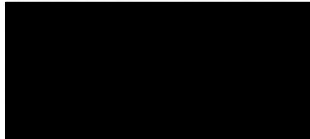


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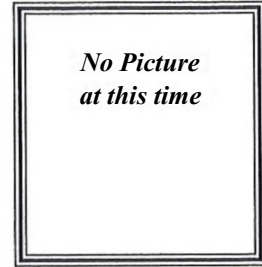
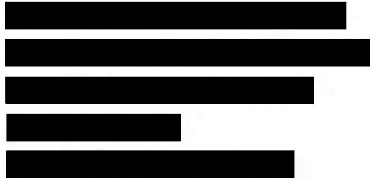




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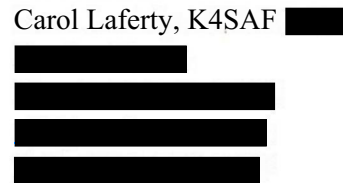
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*de The Editor*

Hello everyone!

This is the Editor apologizing for the delay with Nov/Dec. First of all, it is hard to get news this time of year, so please remember to keep your District Chairwomen updated with what YOU are doing and send them pictures as well! When they are delayed getting information to me, the issue gets delayed in general as it is a domino effect.

The delay was not only due to the holidays, but some family health issues beyond my control. The issues were parental on both sides of the family (Johns and mine both), so we were a bit preoccupied as you could imagine. Things are moving much more smoothly and hopefully I will be back on track for Jan/Feb.

You may not know this, but **Harmonics** is a one woman show and takes a good forty hours with things going right to put it together which includes everything from editing, to layout, to printing, to envelopes, to mailing so you can imagine that with a full-time job and family, it can take a bit of time management.

Thank you for your patience and remember you can also check the website [www.ylrl.org](http://www.ylrl.org) or the YLRL Facebook page for more current information.

Please don't forget to renew your membership as well!

*In Our Thoughts*

We received news of Silent Key, Diane Haigh, N1YL. <http://www.neilanfuneralhome.com/obituary/Diane-Elizabeth-Haigh/East-Lyme-CT/1647784>

Diane Elizabeth Carlson Haigh, 73, of East Lyme, died Wednesday, August 17, 2016, at her home with her daughters at her side.

She was born in Norwich on May 20, 1943, the daughter of Harry Wilhelm Carlson and Natalie Elizabeth Hamilton Carlson. Diane attended Robert E. Fitch High School, class of 1961. She received a degree in Paramedic science from University of Hartford and a degree in Nursing from Mohegan Community college.

She was the widow of William Melbourne Haigh who predeceased her in 1997. They were married in Groton on January 3, 1970. Among her hobbies were crazy quilting, gardening, animal rescue, botany and Ham Radio. She was a member of the American Radio Relay League; East Lyme Garden Club; TriCity Amateur Radio Group; Groton Volunteer Ambulance Association and Old Lyme Volunteer Ambulance.

She retired from L&M hospital where she began her career in the medical field as a volunteer in the ER in 1980, moving on to ER technician, ER nurse, then coordinator in the education department. She was responsible for a great deal of community education in Pediatric and adult CPR.

Memorial contributions may be made to Forgotten Felines of CT ([www.forgottenfelinesct.org](http://www.forgottenfelinesct.org)). To view Diane's memorial tribute video, or to leave a condolence message for her family, please visit [www.neilanfuneralhome.com](http://www.neilanfuneralhome.com).

Rose Marie got news from Cathy Purdie, ZL2ADK president N.Z. WARO.

Sabina Owen, ZL2AZY, SK October 2016. Biny was a great supporter of WARO for a long time and was made a Life Member in 2003. She and her OM, Mervyn, ZL2AVY, travelled extensively throughout the world always meeting and visiting many of the YLs she had had contacts with.

She was a member since 1978. Check out the DX column for more on Sabina "Biny", ZL2AZY.

Rose Marie also got mail from the sponsor of Heather Pike, VK2HD saying that she is SI< and Shirley, VK2YL had informed him.

We also lost a great supporter of WARO with the passing of Dave, ZL1AMN, OM of Aola, ZL1ALE, and Dad to Mary and Carol, ZL1 AJL. Dave ran the 222 YL net for a period of time and was found in the 80's, 90's, and early 2000's at most YL functions in support of Aola.



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



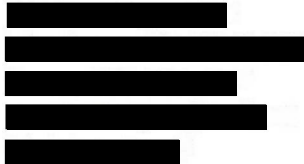
### DISTRICT 1

**Laurel T. Parker, KA1WJL**



Laurel holds a General license and is a Librarian. She has been licensed since 1991. W1SQV, Walt is her OM.

**Cathy Phelps, KB1JKA**



Cathy holds an Extra license and is a Paralegal. She is active on the air and with BEARS of Manchester.

**Rebecca Evanoff, KC1CAV**



Rebecca holds a Technician license and is a member of Holden CERT.

**Leandra MacLennon, AF1R**



Leandra holds an Extra license and is an Electrical Engineer. She is active on the air.

**Marie Beaulier, KC1BXB**



Marie holds a General license and is Retired. She is a member of BEARS of Manchester, ARES and WESCON and Nutmeg Traffic Nets. She is an active volunteer with community service groups and will soon be on HF.

**Michelle Wagner, KC9BLP**



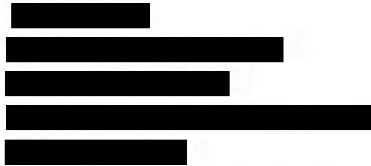
Michelle holds a Technician license and is an English/ELL Teacher. She is a member of Nashua ARC and PART of Westford. Her other interests include dogs and horses. Wayne, AG1A is her OM, Megan, KC1FGH and Milayla are her daughters.

**Megan Wagner, KC1FGH**



Megan holds a Technician license and is a 14-year-old Student. She is a member of Nashua ARC and PART of Westford. She likes contesting and being control op for contests like 13 Colonies and Field Day. Other interests include geocaching, singing and theater.

**Mikayla Wagner**



Mikayla is studying for her license and is a 12-year-old Student. She is a member of Nashua ARC and PART of Westford. She likes fox hunting and geocaching along with biking and the piano.

**Anne Kring, KC1CRS**



Anne holds an Extra license and is Retired. She is a member of Franklin County ARC and Hampton County RA. Family members include Keith, KU1N and Keith, KC1BZB.



**DISTRICT 3**

**Andi S. Tepper, W3NB**

[Redacted]  
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Andi holds an Extra license. She has worked in computer software design and development. She is somewhat active on 2m and is looking forward to getting back on HF.

**Melody Bowers, KB3SJR**

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Melody holds an Extra license and is a Web Designer. She is President of Pottstown Area ARC and is their webmaster. She participates in Field Day and shares the hobby with OM Ben, KE3KQ and son Ben, KB3SJK.

**DISTRICT 4**

**Jean Dumford, AA4RO**

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Jean holds an Extra license and is Retired. She is a member of Davie Cooper City ARC and Handi-hams. Former calls include WBONIE and N5FIY. AJ, NK4O is a family member. Jean was a YLRL member many years ago.

**Carissa Ferguson, KJ4EZA**

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Carissa holds a General license and is a student. She is active on all bands and enjoys ARRL Sweepstakes and Virginia QSO Party. She is part of a ham family including Richard, N2X-QM; Felisa, KJ4EYY; and William, KJ4EYZ.

**Janet M. O'Brien, KB2NNS**

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Janet holds a General license and is Retired. She en-

joys DX. She and her OM Edward, KB2LUG, lived in Bermuda where she held the call VP9MN0 and he was VP9LO. She is active with Clearwater ARS.

**Shae Lindsey, KM4WFC**

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Shae holds a Technician license that she earned at Huntsville along with OM, Kevin, KM4WFB. She was sponsored by Donna, KM4FMW.

**Lisa Bochenek, KM4TMO**

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Lisa holds a General license and is a Teacher. Jim, KF4WSN is her OM.

**DISTRICT 5**

**Allyson Wells, KE5JBW**

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Allyson holds a General license and is a Music Professor and Composer. She is active with ARES and is the co-leader of a hospital radio team. She won an HF radio at Ham-Com and is looking forward to getting on YL nets.

**Jennifer Oliphant, KG5JYL**

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Jennifer holds a new Technician license.

**Sylvia Cox, KG5PJG**

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Sylvia holds a Technician license and is Textiles Artist. She is a member of Stillwater ARC. She makes Quilts of Valor for veterans. Phil, WA50BV is her OM.

**Lola Kohl, NP2QH**

[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
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Lola holds a Technician license. Other hams in her family include Atlee, NT5 W; Clayton WP2G, Atlee Mark, NP2QG and Dawson, NP2QF

**DISTRICT 6**

**Deborah A. Johnson, WB6LVC**

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Deborah holds a General license and is a Retired Teacher. She is active on 2 and 40m. Gary, W6MOI is her OM. Check QRZ for more.

**Roberta Williams, ICM6BEK**

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[REDACTED]

Roberta holds a Technician license and is a SPED Teacher. She is a member of Monterey Bay ARA. David, KM6BEG, David is a family member.

**Vicki Zumwalt, N6KLS**

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Vicki holds an Extra license and is Retired. She is a member of Mount Diablo ARC and Contra Costa RA. She enjoys DX. Family members include Jose, KK6WRZ and Jane, N6NVA. Her former call was KB6DOR.

**Tina Maria Madsen, KK6KSY**

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[REDACTED]

Tina holds a General license and is Retired. She is the trustee of KM5CIR - Ladies of the Net and is also active with WPSS and CRC nets. Her family includes "Bravo Ben", KI6VLC.

**Maria L. Overton, KK6OFE**

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Maria holds a Technician license and is a Student. She is just getting active on the radio. Her mother is Lisa, KM6DAI.

**Lisa Overton, KM6DAI**

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Lisa holds a Technician license and is an Author. She has not braved getting on the air yet, but is working on it. Her daughter is Maria, KIC6OFE

**Cassidy Payne, KK6OWM**

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Cassidy holds a Technician license and is a Student. Mike, N6OFT is her father.

**Maggie DeLoach, KK6DZS**

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Maggie holds a General license and is a Teacher. She is a member of Sunnyvale ARES and West Valley ARA. She enjoys Field Day and Flight of the Bumblebee Sprints. Jim, WUOI is her OM.

**Carol Brown KJ6OC**

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Carol holds an Extra license and is a Homemaker. She enjoys CW and is working on her speed. Other interests include church activities, square dancing and the accordion. Her OM is Sterling, AE6RN. Previous calls include N6TIF and KB6VUF.

**Dawn Biocca, KB6LHP REJOIN**

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Dawn holds a General license and is a Business Owner. She has been District Chair 6, and is a regular at Field Day. She is also a quilter. Family members include OM Alan, W6AKB; Chris, KG6LXL; and Jessica, KI6ELP.

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## *District 1*

Marie Beaulier, KC1BXB writes: 2016 has been an incredible year for me in Amateur Radio. This Summer I built my Home Base with a ham helping me. I have covered a Net frequency for a few minutes as temporary Net Control. I have been asked to assume Net Control one evening weekly on the Nutmeg Net. I said Yes. In May I will celebrate my third year anniversary as a licensed ham. It's time for me to accept challenges and opportunities that come my way. I have been taking a Morse Code class once weekly since March. It is part of the Amateur Radio experience. I am working at accurately receiving Code. Now, that is a challenge requiring daily practice.

Have a Merry Christmas and a fulfilling 2017.

73 KC1BXB Marie

Ann Sorvari, KB 1SRW sends us this: My goal is just to become an active member of the YL community on the air. My OM and I have finally replaced all the antennas we lost when we had to take down two big elm trees last year, so now I hope to get operating.

Ann

Bobbi Donohue, W1JX writes: My goals for 2017 are to do more DX and try to get some all time new contacts in the log. Also, we bought some new radios at Dayton which we have just recently put on the air. That would be the Yaesu FT dx3000 and the Elecraft K3S. I am hoping to become more proficient in their use next year.

33, Bobbie, W1JX

Anne Kring, KC1CRS sends: I receive my technician license on Halloween in 2014. I advanced to general in December 2014 and received my extra class license at the beginning of March and 2015. I have done quite a bit on phone and have us completed my DXCC and my WAS, helping with a GOTA station at field day, and participating in numerous community events such as races. I have tons to learn about the technical portions of radio operation, I want to set up and learn digital, and I am dying to learn CW. My OM, KU1N, who was licensed in the 60's is very knowledgeable about the technical stuff as far as inner workings of radios, antennas... He does CW because he does not like to talk on the radio. He too wants to learn about digital. He recently handed me the signal link box and said why don't you figure this out.

I get very nervous when learning new things and nearly had a panic attacks trying to use echolink but I think I understand the system better now. I look forward to trying again next week. I also am excited about connecting with other YLs I am learning from the great depth of their experience.

I have several radios. I have a KX3 which I bought myself as a retirement present (when I retired for the first time on 12/12/12) and put together with my husband/OM. I also have a Kenwood TS590 which I bought at an auction. On the KX3 I usually use five or 10 W but can get 100 W on the Kenwood. My husband prefers his Ten-Tec Omni V radio (and my KX3). We have two folded dipole cobra ultra light antennas, a homemade tape measure Yagi, and a small antenna stuck on a cookie sheet. We have a Yaesu radio for 2 m and 440 in the kitchen. While I have a Yaesu FT - 60 RI am not proficient at that radio. I always bring my first radio which was a PO-Fung as back up to races and community events which are usually either Simplex or 2 m.

Anne, KC1CRS

Linda Robinson, WIMP says: I have barely been on the radio, you may have noticed. We are working on the house and also went to our daughter's in Pittsburgh for Thanksgiving. We did have a super foliage season despite negative predictions.

33 Linda

Niece Haynes, KA1ULN

I am so proud of all the YLs in District 1 and also in YLRL. We are trying to inform all hams and YLs or what we are doing and trying to make a tsunami (not a wave).

I am really into Ham radio for the winter and 2017. I look forward to configuring my shack to be more efficient and accessible. I want to install more radials on all my verticals. I want to do more FELD HELL (as the International Feld Hell contest coordinator-join us <https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/>). I need to complete my build on my MOXON antennas (10 and 40). AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST I WILL COMPLETE MY WAS-YL. I challenge everyone reading this to complete WAS-YL in 2017!

Other than that, I am here to help and assist all YLs.

Lastly, if anyone knows a YL under the age of 18 please interview her and write up a Document and get that published by YLRL here or maybe in the QST (online). I am so proud to hear the youngest EXTRA in the US is a YL of age 9. That is so wicked awesome.

Remember when contesting or just on the radio to give **“YLs priority or just ask if any YLs are here”**.

33 Niece/KAIULN

## *District 2*

Nancy, KS2YL, and new YLRL member Belinda Connor, KD2BPJ, participated in the KLARA (Keuka Lake Amateur Radio Association <http://klara.us/>) Field Day. They operated 7A WNY at the Hornell, N.Y. airport which gave them a flatter surface instead of the usual hilltop of earlier years. The trade-off was that with fewer trees to string antennas they had to use the resources available.

“Isn’t that what field day is all about?” commented Nancy!

Nancy, KS2YL also reported that in mid-July they provided communications



for the Hammondsport Antique Boat Show and Regatta. It is always a fun day for us as they get

to go out on the lake in boats that are set up as turn points along the course. As the boats pass us, they relay the boat numbers to the control station. It was a great way to spend a July morning! She sends regards and hopes everyone is enjoying the summer. Is it very dry at her location in southwestern New York and rain is dearly needed here. Seems the rain goes either north or south of us each time it is predicted. Stay well.

33 de Nancy, KS2YL



*Nancy, KS2YL & Belinda, KD2BPJ at Field Day*

N2RJ - 13 Colonies

The 13 colonies special event has been held every year since 2009 during the week of Independence Day. Special call signs from K2A through K2M are issued, one for each of the 13 original colonies. There is a special certificate for working all the stations. There is also a special station WM3PEN in Philadelphia and GB13COL in Britain for special endorsements.

I had initially learned of the event from sorting bureau QSL cards, and decided to get on and work the stations and apply for the certificate. After working them all she saw that her friend Eric, N2KOJ, was one of the operators and asked about operating. After contacting Mike, KA2FIR she was added to the roster and while she only operated approximately 3 hours, she made over 400 contacts. She will be operating next year and hopes to do a full effort with more operating time.

My goals for 2017: Place top 10 US in CQWW, DXCC challenge 1500 entities; add a second antenna for frill SO2R; build a 2kw 2meter LDMOS amp; and earn WAS-YL

33, Ria Jaitam, N2RJ

Congratulations to Candy Duell, N2OKA, of Corinth, NY who worked the 13 Colonies Special Event this year (<http://wrvw.13colonies.net/>). She got 9 of the 13 Colonies and says “I think I was too close for some of them to make contact with on 40 meters, and never heard them on 80. But I had a blast trying to get them all, with all the massive pileups!”

### **Antenna work and end of the year contest season @ N2RJ**

By Ria Jaitam, N2RJ

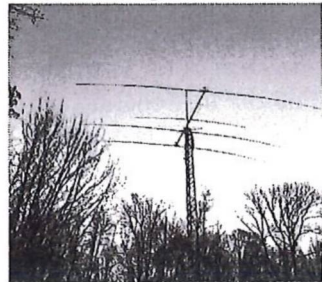
Radiosport, more commonly known as contesting has been a mainstay of the hobby for me. However, for a few years we’ve been plagued by antenna problems. Some of these had to do with SteppIR antenna gear failures and another was due to hurricanes Irene and Sandy.

Over here we have a SteppIR MonstIR antenna for 40 meters through 6 meters. It is quite a large antenna, with elements 70 feet across, and weighing almost 270lbs! As a result it needs a strong rotator and tower to keep it aloft.

This year, I decided we would take down the antenna and do some repairs to get it fully back to spec. Since the antenna was quite large, we hired a crane and assembled a crew of helpers from my contest club, the Frankford Radio Club (FRC) - Carol, N2MM; Peter, W2IRT; Greg, W2MYA; and a local friend, John, who is interested in getting his license.

It was a nice, crisp autumn day. I climbed up the tower while the operator got the crane boom and jib into position. When I reached up top, I worked quickly to secure the crane slings to the antenna. Once the slings were secure, the crane operator lifted slightly to tension the slings. Loosening the U-bolts came next. At that point the antenna was loose and ready to be lowered. However, due to one element being broken off and the antenna becoming unbalanced, it quickly swiveled 90 degrees. Scary! Lucidly I climb with extreme caution with a full array of safety gear, so I was protected at all times. I am a mother of 3 and they need me to be safe. Safety first, always!

Eventually the whole thing was lowered safely to the ground and placed on sawhorses



**Antenna Work**

to begin the real work of getting it repaired. Over the next few weeks, the antenna was carefully dismantled and parts returned to SteppIR for repair, then the repaired parts bolted back on, tested and ready to go. I had to repair the element housing units which had broken gear shafts and where copper tape was damaged. I also took the opportunity to replace worn out, rusted bolts and re-align parts of the antenna that took a beating from the high winds.

About a week before the CQWW SSB contest, I reassembled my antenna crew to put the antenna back up again. Our crane operator set up again, we lifted up the antenna and I climbed and bolted it back on. I was so happy putting it back into service.

We had made other station improvements here, as well. The old Icom 756 ProIII was replaced by a new Flex Radio Systems Flex-6700 Software defined radio. The Ameritron AL-811H replaced by a SPE Expert 1.3K-FA legal limit amplifier. We were ready to rock! I am really enjoying the new Flex radio as it has many capabilities the old Icom did not have. The SPE Expert amp is also simply wonderful. No tuning up to get full power on every band from 160 through 6 meters.

CQWW SSB went off without a hitch... well I shouldn't say that. I did have a few issues with other antennas that I didn't really pay attention to, but as far as this antenna goes, everything worked really well. I scored 1.2 million points to place 12<sup>th</sup> in the United States, Single Operator High power. This is a serious improvement from my previous contest finishes in CQWW that were in the low teens, 20s and 30s. I also did the Sweepstakes SSB contest, earning a clean sweep. CQWW CW capped it off, earning about 1.3 million points.

My club, Frankford Radio Club ended up winning the team competition for CQWW, beating the Yankee Clipper Contest Club (YCCC) by a pretty decisive margin based on claimed scores. It was the first time in 6 years and I was glad to be a part of it!

In 2017 I am hoping to add more antennas to the farm, perhaps finish off a 4 square for 80 meters and build a 2 meter legal limit amplifier using solid state LDMOSFET transistors. I have been reading W6PQL's website and following Jim's work. I definitely want to take part in more contests as well.

GL and see you in the contest!

33, Ria, N2RJ

### **District 3**

Hello all.

It's nice to have some news from our district for this issue. In August Barb, KA3 VXR; and Richie, W3SYY; entertained Robyn, VK3WX; and her OM Colin, VK3PN, at their home. Tom, W3BZN, and I had a delightful visit and cookout with them. Barb's article follow along with photos. *Always nice to see other members from across the seas!* -Ed.



**Ria, N2RJ doing antenna work.**



**The new Flex for the hamshack.**

### VISITORS FROM VK-LAND (Down Under)

On August 10, 2016 two ham radio operators from Australia, Robyn VK3 WX and her OM, Colin VK.3PN Horsey, visited Barb, KA3VXR, and Richie, W3SYY, Bender for several days on their journey from Australia to Sri Lanka, London, New York City, Loretto, Pittsburgh and Hawaii. Barb met Robyn over 20 years ago through YLRL when she was asked to sponsor Robyn.

Robyn reciprocated by sponsoring Barb into ALARA (Australian Ladies Amateur Radio Association.) Thus, began a lasting friendship and they communicated together frequently although they never had an eyeball encounter until now. Since Lois, WB3EFQ also sponsored a YL from Australia and she and her OM, Tom W3BZN, had visited Australia, she and Robyn knew some of the same hams from down under. We had a cookout one evening and invited Tom and Lois so they could also enjoy Robyn and Colin's visit and they had a grand time reminiscing about some of the hams they both knew. We had a camp fire and made pizza mountain pies with our pie iron which they call a "jaffle" where they come from. We visited some of the local sites here in our small town of Loretto: the Franciscan Monastery gardens and the Basilica of St Michael the Archangel. Time and the weather were not on our side this trip.



*Colin, VK3PN & Robyn, VK3WX*



*Lois, WB3EFQ; Barb, KA3VXR; and Robyn, VK3WX at Lois' Hamshack*

Barb almost had a chance to visit Australia in November with her son and daughter-in-law, but that trip has since been cancelled. Bummer! Hopefully, sometime in the future Robyn and Barb will have another eyeball together, de Barb, KA3VXR

Summer is ended and the RV is put to bed. I took a fall in June and ended up with lymphadema in my right arm so typing is very difficult with the compression bandages. I'm happy to say that the therapy is working and the swelling is subsiding.

I was sorry to read that another old friend of the YLs has passed

away. I read that Dave Johnson, ZL1AMN, the OM of Aola, ZL1ALE, passed away July 26, 2016. I first met Dave when he was net control for the 222 net for YLs from New Zealand and Australia to work DX. We met in person at the CLARA convention in Toronto, where he sported his kilt and his dancing skills and Tom and I met Dave and Aola when we visited New Zealand in 1993. Our sympathy to his family.

Hope everyone has a happy holiday and hope to see you in Winnipeg  
Lois, WB3EFQ



### District 4

Hello District 4 and all YLRL members! Can you believe 2017 is upon us already? Well, whether you were ready for it or not, it has arrived. What does that mean? Time to get fired up in ham radio activities! District 1 Chairwoman Niece, KA1ULN, has recommended 2017 be The Year of the YL Ham Radio Operator! I agree so we need to really boost our activity by getting on the air as much as we can in 2017!

With the New Year, all of us are putting together several ham radio goals for 2017! Here are several of mine: learn C W, participate in a VE Test session (minimum of 1 this year) as a VE, participate in the YL-OM Contest in February, get better at getting these articles together and submitted to Cheryl, N0WBV, in a more timely manner, increase communication to all our YLRL District 4 members, make it to Dayton Hamvention again this year at the new location, and several more! We shared this topic on the last Echolink YL Ham Net (every Thursday 8pm ET on ALARA Conference Node 286905) and here were some from a couple of District 4 members:

Dawn WA4YL - She just got a brand new Yaesu FT-991 and wants to learn the manual backwards and forwards and learn about as many of the features of her new radio as possible! Great goal Dawn and congrats on your new radio!

Melanie AG4YL - Learning morse code, digital mode operating, and playing a bit with AM.

Other 2017 ham radio goals mentioned on the YL net were: learn CW, participate in Winter Field Day in January, participate in the YL-OM contest in February, get on the air more, attend more hamfests, complete some hands-on/DIY/build projects and antennas, make it to CLARA B-Day Bash in July of 2017 and meet more YLs, etc. What are your ham radio goals for 2017? Feel free to email them to me at [ac4yl@arrl.net](mailto:ac4yl@arrl.net)!

I wish to thank you all for continuing your membership with Young Ladies' Radio League. If you have not yet renewed your membership, please be sure and do so as soon as possible! You can submit your dues to Carol K4SAF. If you have questions/concerns regarding this, please feel free to email myself at [http://ac4yl@arrl.net](mailto:ac4yl@arrl.net) or Carol at [cjfl@roadrunner.com](mailto:cjfl@roadrunner.com), and we'll be happy to answer your questions/concerns. Application and Carol's mailing address to accept your dues can be found at <http://ylrl.org/index.php/application>.

I would like to take a moment to welcome the new YLRL District 4 members:

***Jeanne, AA4RO located in Miami, FL***

***Carissa, ICJ4EZA located in Virginia Beach, VA***

***Janet, KB2NNS located in Clearwater, FL***

***Shae, KM4WFC located in Killen, AL***

***Lisa, KM4TM0 located in Palm Coast, FL***

We invite the new YLRL members as well as all YLs to join us on the YL Nets! One of those Nets is the Echo-link YL Ham Net that takes place on the ALARA Conference Node 286905 every Thursday evening at 8pm ET (Friday OLOOUTC Winter/00:00UTC Summer). We average about 15 to 20 YLs each week. We would love to have you check in and spend a fun hour with us! We discuss various ham radio topics as well as others including your ham questions, ham updates, contests, and more!

If you have any questions about how to participate in this net, please feel free to contact myself at [ac4yl@arrl.net](mailto:ac4yl@arrl.net), or Melanie AG4YL at [ag4yl@arrl.net](mailto:ag4yl@arrl.net). To get started with Echolink, please visit [www.echolink.org](http://www.echolink.org). Immediately following the Echolink YL Ham Net is the YLRL HF Net usually found on 20 Meters around 14.288MHz or 40 Meters around 7.295MHz depending on frequency availability and propagation. Anne, WB1ARU, would love to hear you check in!

Let's now step back and look at 2016. One of the biggest events of the 2016 Year in Ham Radio was National Parks on the Air aka NPOTA! The NPOTA Event was extremely active. During this event, Amateur Radio operators helped the United States National Park Service celebrate their 100th anniversary by activating NPS units, promoting the National Park Service and showcasing Amateur Radio to the public. In the end, activators were able to complete over 1 million QSO's from National Parks all over the United States of America. How incredible!

My best friend Melanie, AG4YL, and I had such a blast completing 33 activations over 2016 year. We learned so much along the way both in terms of history from the National Park visits as well as ways to improve our antenna setups and overcoming a couple of snags along the way!

We were able to activate the following units:

***Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park (BP01) x 4***

***Cumberland Gap National Historical Park (HP10)***

***Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park (HP 11)***

***Manhattan Project National Historical Park (HP50) x 2***

***Fort Frederica National Monument (MN29)***

***Fort Pulaski National Monument (MN33)***

***Ocmulgee National Monument (MN56) x 2***

***Russel Cave National Monument (MN64)***

***Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park (MP01) both Cllicamauga GA side and Chattanooga TN side for x2 total***

***Horseshoe Bend National Military Park (MP05)***

***Fort Caroline National Memorial (NM08)***

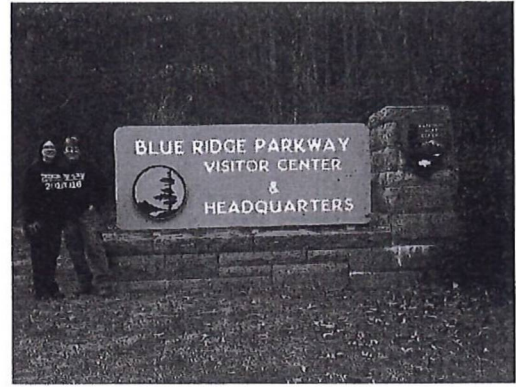
***Great Smoky Mountains National Park (NP26) both in TN and NC x 3***

***Andersonville National Historic Site (NS02)***

***Jimmy Carter National Historic Site (NS40)***

***Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historic Site (NS49)***

*Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site (NS71)*  
*Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site (NS72)*  
*Blue Ridge Parkway (PK01)*  
*Little River Canyon National Preserve (PV16)*  
*Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area (RC04)*  
*Cumberland Island National Seashore (SS06)*  
*Appalachian National Scenic Trail (TR01) and*  
*Trail of Tears National Historic Trail (TR12) x 2*



*Catherine, AC4YL & Melanie, AG4YL*

Wow!!! Looking back at the list - I can't believe we were able to complete all of those! It was full of awesome experiences I won't soon forget!

One of the best I remember is when we both were able to go to Dayton Hamvention for both of our first times in 2016! We went to activate, and the group had already shut down and left for the day given the cold weather. Melanie and I would not be deterred however and had the equipment we needed to complete the activation ourselves, so we did! We both got a successful activation of HP 11. In completing this and visiting with the volunteer inside, she told us about this cool program where we could earn a "Wilbear" by visiting 7 of the 14 "Dayton Aviation Trail" sites. We just needed to visit, get a stamp and complete a form to pick the bear up. We both looked at each other and said - "Let's do it!" Of course, we were only in Dayton for another 2 days, so we ran all around Dayton, OH area to achieve our goal. We had such a blast visiting all these different sites including the Air Force Museum! That was the best!!! We hope to go back together and spend more time there! In the end, on the last site to get to the number required, they had exactly 2 Wilbears left - phew!!! We did it! Got our Dayton activation, visited a bunch of other sites along the way, and got our bears. Funny thing is, we took them to most of our NPOTA activations for the rest of the year! It seemed silly, but was fun too! To learn more about that cool program visit [www.nps.gov/daav/planyourvisit/upload/Wilbear\\_Passport.pdf](http://www.nps.gov/daav/planyourvisit/upload/Wilbear_Passport.pdf).

Kay, N3KN, also had fun with NPOTA. Here are her comments:

Since leaving office as ARRL President in January, I've been enjoying the ARRL National Parks on the Air (NPOTA) year-long operating event. With my OM's help as antenna wrangler and technical specialist, I have activated Shenandoah National Park, the Blue Ridge Parkway, Booker T. Washington National Monument, and the Bluestone Wild & Scenic River. All these operations were in my home state of Virginia except for the Bluestone, which is in West Virginia.

Operating at home I've worked and confirmed over 330 National Park Service units. This event has been great fun and I've made several new friends via the NPOTA Facebook page. I've also been Tweeting about NPOTA activations and have almost doubled my number of followers since January. My Twitter address is @KayCraigieN-3KN and all YLRL folks are welcome to follow me.

I have added JT9 to the list of modes that I operate. Even in the present terrible propagation conditions, JT9 and JT65 produce contacts on low power — about 20 watts maximum.

I hope everyone is having fun on the bands. 73/33 - Kay, N3KN

Here's an update sent in by Melanie, AG4YL, about NPOTA and other items she wished to share:

Hi everyone, Melanie, AG4YL, here.

I hope everyone is having a happy and healthy New Year! I am looking forward to learning some new things ham-radio oriented including Morse code and digital mode operating. I would also like to dabble in AM a bit, as I know nothing about it and it intrigues me.

New this year for me as well is Parks On The Air, or POTA. It is the US part of World Wide Flora and Fauna (WWFF), an international organization whose motto is "Make nature your shack!". It is an ongoing event, the principle of which is like ARRL's 2016 event NPOTA (National Parks on the Air). There are "activators" who go to WWFF entities and get on the air portable, as well as "hunters" (chasers) who listen for and try to work these activators to collect entities in their log. Full details are on these websites: WWFF - the international or "parent"

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## Scholarship Information De Linda Hynan, AC5QQ

### Scholarship Information

**Memorial Scholarships**

**Ethel Smith, K4LMB**

**Mary Lou Brown, NM7N**

**Martha (Marte) Wessel, KOEPE**

No donations were received since the last report.

The names, pictures, thank you letters, and biographies for the 3 Scholarship winners are published with this issue. Congratulations go to Caroline M Stanley, KE5WEK, who received the Martha "Marte" Wessel Memorial Scholarship (*also one of our former Youth Columnists and YLRL member.-Ed.*) and to both Magdalena Moses, KM4EGE, (*one of our newest YLRL members'*) who received the Ethel Smith Memorial and Ruth Willet, KM4LAO, (*one of our YLRL members*) who received the Mary Lou Brown Memorial Scholarships.

YLRL Scholarships are funded entirely by donations - no money is taken from YLRL Dues.

The 2017 Scholarship Application will be available soon on the Foundation for Amateur Radio, Inc. (FAR) web site, <http://www.farweb.org/>; completed applications are due in late spring - check the FAR web site for details. The amounts for the three Memorial Scholarships sponsored by YLRL are:

- \$2000 for the Ethel Smith, K4LMB,
- \$2000 for the Mary Lou Brown, NM7N, and
- \$ 1000 for the Martha (Marte) Wessel, KOEPE.

FAR manages both the application and selection of the winners for a number of Amateur Radio scholarships; last year a total of 48 scholarships for \$80,075 were awarded including the 3 offered by YLRL. Question about the application should be emailed to [farscholarships@gmail.com](mailto:farscholarships@gmail.com).

To make a donation:

Make your check payable to: **YLRL Scholarship Fund**

Send your donation to: Linda Hynan, AC5QQ



# Our Scholarship Winners!

## Ethel Smith-Scholarship Winner

Dear Sponsors of the Young Ladies' Radio League Scholarship, I am honored to be one of the recipients of the Young Ladies' Radio League Scholarships. Thanks to your generous support, I have been able to continue to pursue a college education. Having to receive various treatments for a variety of health problems makes many aspects of college challenging for me, including finances. Your scholarship has eased the financial burden on my family as well as myself and has allowed me to continue to pursue my education and career goals. This has enable me to concentrate on my studies in electrical engineering and mathematics and on my undergraduate research on the response of the ionosphere to solar radiation in relation to radio communications.



*Magdalena, KM4EGE*

Again, thank you for supporting my education.

BIO:

I am currently pursuing a double major in Electrical Engineering and Mathematics with a minor in Astronomy at Virginia Tech. I plan to go on to graduate school after earning my Bachelor's degree, with the ultimate goal of earning a PhD. In my career, I hope to contribute toward to our society's understanding and utilization of space. Towards this end, I participated the previous two years and this summer in research being conducted at the Virginia Tech Center for Space Science and Engineering (Space@VT). I plan to continue this research in the coming semester and I hope to make the results into a Master's thesis eventually.

In connection with this, I have also worked on developing the Ham Radio Science Citizens Investigation (HamSCI) to promote citizen science in amateur radio by engaging the amateur radio community in scientific studies. Most of my research and work in the past year has been to develop HamSCI and the tools we will need for the 2017 Eclipse study. Much of the research plan can be found at <http://hamsci.org/eclipse>. I hope to continue working on other HamSCI projects after the eclipse project ends.

Also these past three summers, Space@VT has hosted several educational engagement activities for kids from rural communities in middle and elementary school, which I contributed to. As a member of the National Association of Rocketry (NAR), I have participated in many educational engagement activities, as both an instructor and as a student. I believe that educational outreach is a responsibility of all scientists and engineers, and I plan on continuing to engage in outreach activities in the future.

I was part of the World Space Modeling Championship (WSMC) US Junior team from 2008 to 2012. In this capacity, I visited several countries in Europe including Spain, Serbia, and Slovakia. During the WSMC, I learned to appreciate the talents of people of different nations as well as what all nations can learn from one another. I would like to in the future contribute to an international effort to peacefully explore and develop space for the benefit of all of the nations of the world.

73!

Sincerely,

Magdalena Moses, KM4EGE

## Mary Lou Brown-Scholarship Winner

Dear Young Ladies Radio League,

I would like to thank you for sponsoring the YLRL scholarships through the Foundation for Amateur Radio. I am incredibly honored to have received a YLRL scholarship! Being involved in Amateur Radio has truly changed my life and I am proud to represent the YLRL as one of the YLRL Scholarship recipients. I have greatly enjoyed getting to know other YLs, especially those who attend the YLRL Thursday night Echolink net.

Your scholarship has made it possible for me to attend my first college choice - Kettering University in Michi-

gan! I am preparing to start there in the fall with a double major in Mechanical Engineering and Engineering Physics. Thank you so much for sponsoring my education!

BIO:



**Ruth, KM4LAO**

I am a 17-year-old Extra class Amateur Radio operator and a recent high school graduate from Georgia. I plan to attend Kettering University in Michigan this fall with a double major in Mechanical Engineering and Engineering Physics. I love figuring out how things work and why, which is why Mechanical Engineering appeals to me. I also love Physics and learning how the forces around us affect everything.

I was first introduced to Amateur Radio because of my desire to learn Morse code. After learning that Amateur Radio operators still use Morse code today, I studied for and passed the Technician class license in June 2015. I completed the CW Academy Level 1 course later that fall. I love exploring the many different aspects of ham radio! I obtained my General class license in January 2016 and my Extra class license in May 2016. I am weekly on VHF/UHF nets including the NFARL Youth Net, where I am often control operator, and the YLRL Thursday night net. However HF radio has truly opened up my world! Operating either SSB

or CW, I love making contacts, working DX, contesting, and chasing or activating parks for National Parks on the Air! But I believe the best part of Amateur Radio is the community, and I greatly enjoy participating in club and community service events with several local clubs.

I am a team member on the 2016 Dave Kalter Memorial Youth DX Adventure to the Caribbean island of Saba. We will be active on the air from August 2-9, 2016. This trip will be the perfect culmination to an awesome year in ham radio and a wonderful send-off to college. I look forward to starting my college studies and will always be looking for opportunities to use my ham radio license to enrich my life and the community around me.

Sincerely,

Ruth Willet, KM4LAO

## **Marte Wessel-Scholarship Winner**

Thank you for your generous support through the FAR scholarship award. This gift encourages me to continue my studies at Hardin-Simmons University as I pursue my goal of becoming a CPA.

I assure you that this gift will be matched by excellence and hard work.

The motivation to become a ham stems from my dad's great love for amateur radio. As a toddler, I remember hearing strange sounds emanating from his office, followed by great dialogues of technical expertise. By growing up in this environment plus attending incredibly fun field day weekends with tents and hot dogs, topped with homemade desserts and all you can drink sodas, I found myself encapsulated with this hobby. Thus, as a 6<sup>th</sup> grader, I studied with my entire family to become a licensed radio operator and passed the exam with them. To add to that, by sharing highlights and pictures of club events, I enjoy mixing with fellow young people to create another legacy of operators in my generation. With the current technological advances in cellular reception, my peers tend to think that radio communication is outdated; however, as any ham knows, when electricity fails, an operator is at his best as he implements his emergency power plan and focuses in as a necessary center of support and broad communication. Also, field day represents family and fun as we gather at the local fire station to garner a competitive edge in the national rankings. Of course, we enjoy hearing from fellow hams each year while we fellowship over snacks and burgers at this annual event. In the future, I hope to serve in local marathons as I am also an avid runner and enjoy supporting benefits and clubs in the area. To sum up, ham radio remains an all-around community sport that undergirds fond memories and future community action.

I am currently pursuing a BBA Accounting with a minor in Honors Studies at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas, planning to graduate in December 2016. As my life work, I intend to impact the international business arena in financial accounting as a CPA. Specifically, my interests lie in both public accounting and managerial accounting. In these, the opportunity to invest real financial assets and to actively participate in the

marketplace demands not only critical thinking skills but also dynamic people skills, two of my strongest traits. To accomplish this, I will pursue an auditing internship with KPMG this spring with plans to join the firm and obtain my CPA license upon completion of the program.

Who I am:

An avid runner - completed a half marathon in April 2015, a full marathon in January 2016, and am now planning to run another full marathon in December.

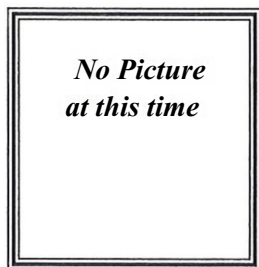
An avid violinist - music has and always will be a critical component in the foundation of life. From Houston Youth Symphony to studying abroad in England, violin is my passion and allows me to give back to the community in many venues. This past year, I enjoyed leading the Hardin-Simmons University and First Church Celebration Orchestras as concertmaster and am looking forward to playing with the Abilene Civic Orchestra this Fall.

Sincerely,

Caroline M. Stanley, KE5WEK



Caroline, KE5WEK



### Certificate Custodian

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de Vai Lemko, VE5AQ



Don't forget to check the January/February Issue to learn all about the  
2017 Friendship Award!

### Basic Rules Applicable To All YLRL Certificates

1. Contacts made through repeater devices or any other power relay method cannot be used for any YLRL certificate confirmation.
2. All contacts must be made **FROM** the same country.
3. **DO NOT SEND QSL CARDS TO THE CUSTODIAN!** Two other Amateurs must sign the log verifying that the QSL cards are in possession of the applicant.
4. No charge is made for a certificate, but sufficient postage for first class mail or a stamped legal-size envelope must accompany the application to cover the cost of mailing the certificate.
5. For the order in which the contacts must be listed, please check the rules for each certificate.
6. All inquiries should be addresses to the appropriate custodian.
7. Decisions of the custodians regarding interpretations of the rules as here stated or later amended shall be final.
8. Certificate custodians and their addresses are listed in each issue of **YL** Harmonics.

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organization: <http://wwff.co> and KFF Parks On The Air - the US site: <https://wwff-kff.com/>

Speaking of NPOTA, wow what a year! I had so much fun (and a little frustration) running around the South-east (and Dayton) activating National Park Service units to celebrate the NPS Centennial. Not only did I learn a lot about operating portable, but I learned a lot about the nation and the Parks Service.

Catherine, AC4YL, and I managed to put 33 units on the air while collecting pins and “passport” stamps from them, all while working full-time jobs with different days off. We dealt with weather, traffic, bugs, broken connectors, a faulty analyzer, QRM, QRN, QSB, and bands that ran hot and cold - it was AWESOME! The first unit we activated was Kennesaw Mountain Nat'l. Battlefield Park, very close by in Kennesaw GA. It was also the last one, which we thought was apropos, since we both had no idea the adventure we were about to embark on when we first decided to play radio with NPOTA!

Our District 1 chairwoman Niece, KA1ULN, has declared this year the “Year of the YL!” f can't wait to see what it brings!

33 de Melanie, AG4YL

Other YLRL members were also able to participate in NPOTA as well including Ruth, KM4LA0, and her mom Sharon, KM4TVU! Their experiences will be included in the next YL Harmonics issue along with their experiences on the Youth DXpedition in Saba Island.

Young Ladies' Radio League needs your help and your input! We value your feedback and are always looking for volunteers to help with various duties. If you can assist with hamfests, YL Harmonics article content (let us know what ham activities and other activities you have been working on that you'd like to share), ideas for more YL Ham Radio Activities, etc. we want to hear from you! Please email me at [ac4yl@arrl.net](mailto:ac4yl@arrl.net) and let me know how you can help and if you are interested!

Lastly, please be sure and send anything you wish to include in YL Harmonics District 4 update to [ac4yl@arrl.net](mailto:ac4yl@arrl.net). This can include ham activities taking place in your area as well as other activities you are involved in. Don't forget to include a picture or 2 if you like! We're looking forward to hearing from you!

See you on the air in **2017 - Year of the YL Ham Radio Operator!**

33, de Catherine AC4YL

YLRL District 4 Chairwoman

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### District 5

Michelle, W5MQC is guest writing our District 5 news this time and wants all the Ladies in the 5<sup>th</sup> District to know she has made a private group page on Facebook for the District 5 YLs to reach out to each other. Let her know if you wish to be added to the group and are in District 5! Her email for Ham Radio items is: [w5mqc@yahoo.com](mailto:w5mqc@yahoo.com) so get in touch!

Welcome new District 5 Members

Sylvia, KG5PJG, Jennifer KG5JKL, and Lola, NP2QH!

Between what is posted on Facebook and emails, it looks like, District 5 YLs are awesome! Kelly, K5KTX was net control and gave some great information on next year's solar eclipse. Leah, W3LE0, helped provide communication for Midwest City's Veterans Day Parade and is setting up a “Talk to Santa via HAM Radio Station”. Allyson, KE5JBW is Co-Leader of a hospital relay team (a couple of our local hospitals just contacted our club about setting up stations in their hospitals, so I might have to talk to you about your set up!) Judy Combs, KC6CUC set up in a tent and camped during at Quartzsite, AZ Hamfest!

Contests/Certificates

We received a challenge from District One to get more WAS-YL Certificates in 2017. Let's accept the challenge!

Current Certificates available from YLRL:

Worked All States YL (WAS-YL)

Worked All Continents YL (WAC-YL)

YL Century Club (YLCC)

YL Harmonics November/December 2016

DX YL

YL-DXCC

YL-Digital Modes

For more information of each of the certificates [www.ylrl.org/index.php/ylrl-certificates](http://www.ylrl.org/index.php/ylrl-certificates)

I started going to HAM local clubs and doing a presentation on YLRL. If you are interested in doing a presentation at your local club, I can get the power point presentation to you. We can also get some flyers and back issues of **YL-Harmonics**. The Publicity Chairwoman just needs a few weeks' notice.

At my first club presentation, we had about 5 YLs in the group of about 60 OMs. Two are not licensed yet. They are taking classes. I expect the others to submit their applications.

I know the OMs really enjoyed it as well, some of them brought me information on YLs they knew that were not at the meeting for me to contact. Others came and got some information to take home to their wives!!

I have another presentation in January for the Mid-Del club.

33, Michelle, W5MQC

*Thanks to Michelle for her updates in District 5! -Ed.*

## District 6

At the ARRL Pacificon Division Convention on October 15, 2016, YLRL District 6 Chair Carol Milazzo, ICP4MD, opened the YL Forum with a slide-show on the Young Ladies' Radio League, its history and current activities.

In the speaker panel that followed Pacificon Chair, Misa Siemons, KJ6BUE; ARRL Pacific Division Vice Director Vicki Zumwalt, N6KLS; Janet Fisher, KK.6RXO; and Debbie Johnson, WB6LVC, of Ladies of the Net described their beginnings and their current activities in amateur radio.



**YLRL District 6 Chair Carol Milazzo, KP4MD, and Tina Madsen, KK6KSY, at the ARRL Pacificon YLRL Booth**



**Debbie Johnson, WB6LVC**



**At the YL Forum**

The meeting concluded with an open forum where attendees discussed improving our networking and outreach to YL clubs and operators in our localities, progress and remaining challenges to women's inclusion in the greater amateur radio community, our need for more visibility on the ARRL website and in QST, outreach opportunities to youth through social media, the Maker movement and the new Girl Scouts Radio and Wireless Technology Patch, and a commitment to continuing our forums at future Pacificon conventions.

## District 7

Hi There YLs!

This is Robin Resnick, your new District 7 Chairwoman. I will soon be coming off of a 2 year stint as MINOW (Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon and Washington YLs) President. Thank you to Marilyn Melhorn AF7BI for recommending me for this position!.

I'm not on the radios much anymore as I have Multiple Sclerosis, which has begun to affect me cognitively talcing the forms of confusion and short term memory loss. This means I have to get out the manuals every time I want to make any changes to my HF or HT radios! Confusion... Frustration... But I'll deal with every bugaboo tossed my way; what other choice is there? I just have to make some modifications!

I used to be the regular Net Control for our local Hand-Hams, but that must have been 12 years ago! Some people reported that I was a dynamite NC, and that made me feel GREAT! So, I had no trepidation about relieving the regular NC who runs the local NET (Neighborhood Emergency Teams) Net, nor around giving a night off to

the NC of our weekly Echolink MINOW Net. In fact, I LOVED being Net Control!

Some of you women, especially those new to the hobby, please volunteer to be NC at least once; It's a fairly easy thing to do, the usual NC most likely has the meeting "script" and every one on the net will be kind and patient (and if they're not, send 'em my way!).

Club Happenings:

Every fourth Friday of the month, PARC (Portland ARC) has a general club meeting.

OTVARC (Oregon Tualatin Valley ARC) has its regular activities plus a "Travelers RV Group," which camps in some lovely areas.

Hoodview is getting ready for its annual Social, which includes elections for a new board of directors.

In November, CCARC (Clark County ARC) will be providing communications for one of the largest veterans' parades on the West coast. Wrapping up a very busy year in December, the Clark County Walk & Knock Food Drive takes place on the first weekend of December. This event is an important one, especially as the numbers of hungry people are quickly growing.

YLNews:

From Claudia, KL0HI: I started a "Social Net" like the "Rag Chew" for our PBARC Club (Pelican Bay ARC) on Thursday nights 7 PM Pacific time on 146.94. We have 68 members here in Brookings with some living up the coast in Gold Beach and beyond and some south in Crescent City, CA. We have a lot of new members and on our regular Tuesday night directed net they don't have a chance to talk much so I thought if we just had a laid back net, new HAMS might like to say something, ask questions, etc. So far so good, I've been doing most of the talking but more and more members each week are checking in...

From South Africa Marietjie wrote: We are keeping well and I an Abra is a strong guide-dog team and she is working so well for me. We had a hot wave for days of 103F and we need plenty of rain so we hope it will come soon. Keep warm and nice to read the Nino Newsletter. Marietjie and Abra, ZS6CEZ"

From Marilyn AF7BI: We have the holes dug, the guy poles cemented in and once I get home from Calif will get the 70 ft tower put up. Can't wait!!

## *District 8*

Susie, N8CGM wrote the following: Contacted VK2GGZ, Winston Hills Girl Guides in that suburb of Sydney, Australia via EchoLink node 286905, ALARA Conference link during Jamboree On The Air and received this confirmation by email: "Hi Susie. I hope you enjoyed JOTA. You must have talked to one of the other operators as I was miming our HF station on 40 m. We had about 90 people attend our JOTA - almost all Girl Guides with a few Scouts and parents. As well as the radio, we run games and craft activities. Maybe we can connect another time on Echolink during the year and have a chat.

33, Norma O'Hare VK2YL (licensee for VK2GGZ - Winston Hills Girl Guides) suburb of Sydney, NSW."

Annette, KC8SQM, wrote she didn't have any news other than she has been busy with church and Red Hats.

Nancy, KC4IYD/8, and Carol, W8CSH, helped with the Girl Scout of North East Ohio Winterfest - Alaskan Adventure themed events where we helped younger girl scouts make bracelet with the Northern Lights Theme.

Carol, W8CSH, has started college application and was accepted to her top 2 schools - Bowling Green University in Bowling Green, Ohio and DePaul University in Chicago, Illinois. She plans to major in film cinematography and minor in Business in college.

Until next time, Nancy, KC4IYD/8

## *District 10*

Hello from District 10!

Let me get the hard thing out of the way, first.

I am sorry to announce the passing of Eleanor (Ellie) Van Winkle, N0QCX. While Ellie was not a member of the YLRL recently, she was for years. Even if she hadn't been, though, she was a person who we should remember for her involvement in amateur radio. I first met Ellie about 30 years ago, when my husband finally got his license, but before I did.

The Boulder Area Radio Club—BARC—held a family picnic in the foothills. Adult hams were partnered with children to complete a fox hunt, with the "fox" hidden in the brush, trees, and rocks around the picnic area. Each

child used an HT and his or her body to shield the signal to find the source, and Ellie supervised to make sure they were all safe.

Along with her husband Rip, she was a founding and guiding spirit of the BARC Juniors, an extraordinarily active youth group which over the years has mentored many, many children and youth in amateur radio. Rip took charge of the technical side, with a complete laboratory of equipment for building and analyzing. The club took charge of providing elmers. Ellie took charge of the kid side, with safety, snacks, and socialization. She also worked with them to make appearances at Dayton every year, in the Youth Forum.

Every year, she invited the Colorado-YLs to hear the first presentation of the selected youth, so that by the time they presented at Dayton they had had opportunity not just to practice but to improve.

She held a tech license, and never felt the need to get a higher one, because it was enough for what she wanted to do. She always had the radio on in the kitchen, and listened for anyone—especially one of her young hams—who wanted to talk. She was the one who answered when I called to report a not yet big forest fire up a local canyon, where cell service was non-existent but the BARC 2 meter repeater reached well. In recent years, she and her husband passed the BARC Jr. reins on to others, but she never stopped caring.

33, Ellie, you will be missed.

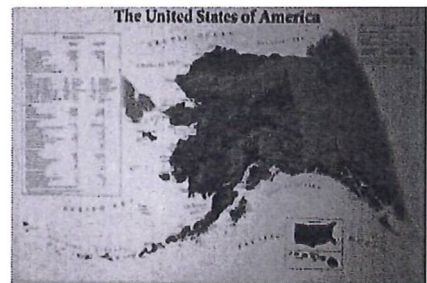
Warm, dry weather is holding on tightly in Colorado this year, never mind that the ski slopes are opening. Actually, it is what we call “Indian Summer” for reasons I do not know; after the first frost, when the garden needs drop dramatically, but very mild—even hot—and dry weather. It has been great weather for radio activities outside. This is good, because one of our antennas lost its connection in a bit of wind, and had to come down and the coax replaced. Not the easiest one to get down, of course, because of the tree and another antenna in the way, and we decided to replace the pole with one that collapses vertically, rather than one we have to tip down. It isn’t a big antenna; it holds a vertical 2 meter/70 centimeter and a 70 centimeter yagi and only goes up about six feet above the ridge line (covenant), but it is the one we use for the Amateur TV, so having it out of commission was kind of a pain. It is back up now, but I still think a sky hook would be a great idea!

Keeping the weather station up and running is also something of a challenge, from time to time, but it seems to be stable right now. However, we liked the new antenna pole so much that we plan to replace the pole the weather station is on with one just like it, so it will be down for a bit, anyway, when we do that. However, it looks like the batteries need changing (they aren’t holding their charge through the night, and that will only get worse as nights get longer).

Is everyone familiar with [APRS.fi](http://www.aprs.fi)? ([www.aprs.fi](http://www.aprs.fi)). It is a worldwide aprs tracking program which displays stations that have been relayed to the internet on a Google map. You can use it without having a login, or you can log in and use a few more of its features (free). You can usually find our weather station, NORUX-13, there (-13 means weather station). We are transmitting out on two meters, and various people put it on the internet via an *I-gate*.

What is keeping you busy? Please let me know, and I will pass it on!

33, Doshia, KB0NAS



## *KL7 News*

Hello. My name is Claudia Doyle KL0HI. In 1997 we still lived in Nome, Alaska (where both myself and OM were born and raised) and spent weekends in Council (a summer community with maybe 10 families) which is 76 miles northeast of Nome. Because there was no phone service and going to town took 2 hours (all gravel roads) we decided that Ham radio would be our only link to Nome. With Grandkids visiting every summer, their parents felt better that if an emergency came about that we had communications with Nome. So, after several weeks of studying both OM Doug, KL0HH got our licenses. I went on and received my Extra license.

I think I liked Ham radio because it reminded me of my first job, a telephone switch board operator. Today we live in Council in the summer (still no phones, gravel roads, 10 families at the most) and Brookings, Oregon in the winter.

Our main repeaters in the Nome area are Daniels VHF on mountain tops all linked to the Vertex repeater HUB via UHF link. This repeater system allows reliable hand held communication with phone patch capabilities in



a 100-mile radius of Nome which is approximately 32,000 square miles. The majority of people who spend the summers in Council are HAMS and we have two Grandchildren who are also Hams Cody, KL2MD and Sidney, KL4DG.

Nets I check into are Alaska-Emergency Preparedness Net on 14.292 every week day (this net was started in 1964 after the earthquake), Pelican Bay ARC every Tuesday evening (Brookings), MINOW net on Echolink, ALARA Australian Ladies Conference Server hosted on the Sydney Reflector every Thursday evening and MINOW Friday>s on 3.912 or there abouts....

I think one of the best things about Ham radio is we are always called a YLs no matter what age we are lucky enough to reach.

Thanks

33'sKLOHI

### *KH6 News*

Joe Speroni, AH0A, is the ARRL Pacific Section Manager in Hawaii. Joe met our Distict 6 Chairwoman, Carol, KP4MD, at Pacificon and discussed his interest in finding a YLRL leader or member in Hawaii who may help with outreach to the Girl Scouts and other YLs and kick start YL activity there.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact him! With the updates to Ham Radio and Girl Scouts, we need to move forward. Thank You!

### *VE Column*

Here it is the November/December issue of YL Harmonics. By the time we read this it will be 2017!! I hope you enjoyed the Christmas season with your family and friends and are looking forward to the New Year and all that it will bring. Good health and much happiness, I hope. Maybe some better propagation would be nice, too? I also hope many of you will have lively, lovely QSOs with friends on the Bands. If everyone of us made a New Year's resolution to check-in to a YL Net, at least once a week, we could open up those silent frequencies with friendly YL chatter.

CLARA is going to celebrate it's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a gathering in Winnipeg, Manitoba in July of 2017. Hopefully, many of you will be planning to attend. Lots of information is on the CLARA website [www.clarayl.ca](http://www.clarayl.ca) already and it will be updated to keep you well informed on a regular basis. I am very much looking forward to attending and meeting friends and putting faces to names.

I hope winter will not be too severe in your part of the world. 33 Suzanne, VE7IM

Elizabeth, VE7YL, writes: It has been a sad three months since the last YLRL submission - I got news that Mavis VK3ICS was a SK. Mavis was my CW buddy down under and would turn up during YL contest to give me a multiplier - always extra for CW. Then I heard that Heather, VK2HD became a SK early in the year. The news didn't seem to get passed on to the YL community by her family so it was months before we knew.

I first worked Heather on the ANZA net when I was living in Jakarta and was YB0ADT. On one of my visits to Australia I visited her in Coonamble, a fanning community in NSW. I flew in a very small plane from Sydney with just the pilot who asked me if I knew where we were going. When I said yes - Coonamble - he said good, handed me a map and said you navigate!

Happy news was when the extended family went to Osoyoos for the Aug. 20th wedding on my granddaughter. The wedding was at 4pm on the lawn beside the lake and I can assure you that everyone was either beautiful or handsome!! Including Granny!! I drove up and back with my grandson Michael and we broke the trip in Manning Park for coffee/tea and lunch in Hedley - an old gold mining town with a super restaurant.

Pumpkins are orange in the fields and tomorrow, with the help of my grandson, will start putting the garden to bed for the winter. Have already taken down the begonia hanging baskets and the tubers are drying in the garage ready for next year. A bumper crop of apples and pears this year - all eaten or given away! Hope everyone has a lovely fall and that winter doesn't come too early! 33 Elizabeth VE7YL

Ann, VE3HAI, writes: Echolink continues to be her main ham activity these days. She advises everyone who is interested in island contacts to check regularly on the CLARA website for information, dates and times in mid-October for a new IOTA island. Sarla, VU2SWS, is arranging it once again. You all know how successful she has been activating islands in the past. We are all hoping for good contacts for those who want them.

The CLARA Birthday Bash continues to occupy a lot of Ann's time. Vai, VE5ACJ, is completing tasks daily and posting information on the CLARA website. Excitement is building. CLARA members received the first of our special edition CLARIONS in September. They will be distributed monthly, as long as there is new information to add. July, 2017 will be our month to celebrate. Ann really hopes you will join us in Winnipeg. Come and see what the centre of Canada is like and meet and greet your YL on-air friends. Those of you who have attended CLARA functions previously know what great parties we are.

We're counting on the YLRL singers to come up with a new jingle to share with us then. Ann remembers what fun it was in Boston. The YLRL singers are not only talented but clever too. That jingle still brings a smile to Ann's face today.

Until next time, Ann hopes everyone will stay healthy and safe. 33 Ann VE3HAI

Helen, VA1YL, writes: I won't be home till October 18<sup>th</sup> so cannot submit any news for this issue. Can you please send my regards and a note saying I am visiting Barcelona for a family reunion and then to Amsterdam to see our daughter? Thanks. 33, Helen VA1YL

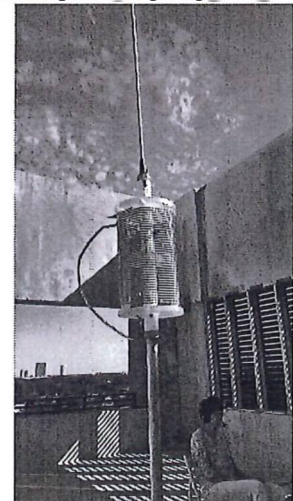
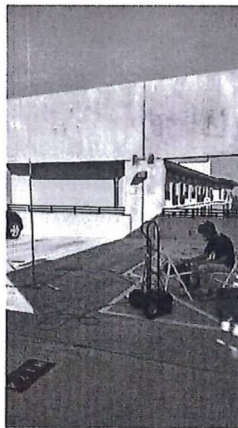
## *DX Column*

Dear YL Friends,

Does time fly away as fast for you as for me, we are at the end of October and we have the holidays coming around the corner and no time to catch up? I will not have to worry about the winter, no snow here in Houston I have been told and hardly real cold weather. I will not miss shoveling snow as we did in Virginia, not even rake leaves, but I miss all the gorgeous color on the leaves.

I am happy with the move and have gotten with help of my OM, a portable radio station on top of the garage

***Rose Marie, KB4RM  
working her new system.***



floor eight stories up. We have a dolly, on it a battery, two folding chairs and the ICOM 7300 in box above and part of antenna and we wheel it up and I carry the antenna a quarter wave vertical antennas on a foot with three magnets. We assemble it all ground wires and cable takes 5 minutes and I am on the air. Problem? Lots of noise not the quiet band I had and with IOOW I have not been able to do any DXing.

I am happy to get North America and can be on some nets. I am including a few pictures of the setup and one of the views from the roof of Houston downtown. I am on Echolink to keep contact with many of you.

It has been quiet with news from you hope everyone is doing well. We lost Sabina Owen, ZL2AZY, SK in October 2016 (read below) she will be missed by many a member since 1978.

New Zealand news: Well it has been a busy time here at home. We lost our son suddenly a couple of years ago, so we are now bringing up his daughter (our granddaughter) Shannen. She took a while to settle in but has done really well at school and although the school she goes to is 54kms from here, we have been able to keep her education and her friendships stable. She graduates at the end of this school year in about 6 weeks' time. She is not sure what she wants to do in the future so may just take a gap year and get a job until she thinks things through. To add to the confusion our second daughter was diagnosed with cancer about 18 months ago and then

12 months later daughter number one was diagnosed with the same thing. For the first one her treatments are all over and she is doing well, the other has only a few weeks radiation to go beginning next week, but she is looking and keeping a lot better too.

Radio wise we at WARO were very sad to report the passing of Sabina Owen ZL2AZY at the beginning of October. I'm pretty sure she was a member of YLRL. She certainly was when she and her OM, Mervyn, travelled with a group of us to the get together in Hawaii. She also was on the YL 2000 committee when we ran the worldwide get together in Hamilton, and travelled with some of us to the other big gathering in Palermo in Sicily. Biny as we all called her, was a Life Member of WARO, having served as its Bulletin Editor, on the Executive for many years, and its President twice. We will all miss her very much.

Talking of the YLRL get together in Hawaii, our group that went was organized by Aola, ZL1 ALE, and her OM, Dave, ZL1AMN. It is also with regret that I have to say that Dave passed away to in late July. Dave would have been known by a lot of your older YLs as the gentleman that often ran the YL 222 net for a long time. I am happy to report that Aola is doing fine and her daughter Carol, ZL1AYN, is keeping a good eye on her.

We are busy planning a little get together for WARO in Rotorua at the beginning of next June at the NZART Conference to celebrate our 55th Anniversary. It will be special because it was in Rotorua that the decision was made to form our Organization and the first gathering was held. It will be fairly low key but it will be nice to be all together again face to face.

Winter here this year seems to have been very wet, if not as cold as normal. Spring has now well and truly sprung, the blossoms are finished and the fruit is set. The daffodils are finished but all other plants are flourishing. The paddocks are full of lambs and calves, and the youngsters around here are getting their pet ones ready for the calf and lamb day competitions that they hold in most of our schools. It has continued though to be quite wet, more so in the top of the North Island than down here.

I guess over there the children are getting ready for Halloween. That is not a big thing here, in fact up until 10 years ago it really didn't exist but I guess with TV, the internet etc. it is beginning to catch on. It won't be long before the schools all close in mid-December for the summer break, and parents will be heading away with them for their annual holidays. School goes back again in the first week of February.

I guess the last thing to do is to wish you all a wonderful Christmas over there from all of us, and hopefully it is not too cold. Here it will be barbeques and the beach for a lot of us on that special day, but no matter where you are in the world it will definitely be family time. Enjoy.

73,33,

Cathy Purdie ZL2ADK, President New Zealand WARO.

I wish you all the very Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year with good health for us all.

**Note my new Address in Directory to send membership fees due in the month of January and any news for the Harmonics.** Let me know if you want to sponsor a DX-YL, we need the young YLs to join YLRL.  
33, Rose-Marie, KB4RM.

**If you are a DX-YL Sponsor, please don't forget to renew for your Adoptee! We are always looking for sponsors, so please contact Rose Marie, KB4RM if you are interested in sponsoring a DX-YL!**

**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.

**We want to to make all your continuous milestones, so please remember it is time to renew. We also ask that you include a membership application (you can download one from [www.ylrl.org](http://www.ylrl.org)) so that we know your information is current and up-to-date.**

**Thank you for being a member of the  
YOUNG LADIES' RADIO LEAGUE!**

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*Changes and Corrections*

**Marsha, N8FE** has a new address:

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If no answer, please leave a message.

**Sue, N8AJU** was listed in District 4, but should have also been in District 8 with a note to see District 4.

Here is her current information:

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**Barb, WB1EHS** has a new address:

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**Michelle, W5MQC** has a new email to use for Ham Radio items: ██████████

**Cathy Goodrich** has a new call sign: **W4CMG**.

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**Kristen McIntyre, K6WX**

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Kristen holds an Extra license and is a Computer Scientist. She is President of Palo Alto ARA and is a member of NCDXC, SKCC and FISTS. She also holds JI11ZZ as Japan is her second home. Chris, KG6SVI is her son. Check her out on QRZ for more details.

**Lauren Vidal, K6LIV**

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Lauren holds a General license. She is a member of Mt. Vaca RC. She enjoys Field Day and the CA QSO Party. Family members include Maria, KC4PGH and Jorge, KK4XU.

**Trisha Pritikin, W6PAZ**

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Trisha holds a Technician license and is a Writer and Attorney. She is a member of Northern Alameda Co ARES/RACES. Tricia held N6GAM (General license) which lapsed. Her family includes OM Kenneth, KI6EHA and Brendan, KI6EHB.

**DISTRICT 7**

**Carrie Willis, W7HNY**

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Carrie holds a General license and is an Accountant. She is active on 10 and 2 m and enjoys the CQWW phone contest. Mikal, N6LO is a family member.

**Sherry Miller, KG7THH**

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Sherry holds a Technician license & is a Homemaker.

She is active on the air. Brian, K7BDM, is a family member.

**Carol Pisano, KF7DPV**

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Carol holds a Technician license and is in Support Services. AC7NP, Dale is a family member.

**Janice Baird, KG7USO**

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Janice holds a Technician license and is a GIS Software Engineer.

**Elizabeth (Betsy) Hunt KG7SMB**

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Betsy hold an Extra license and is a Retired Engineer. She is a member of Yakima ARC and is active on 2 and 20 m. Betsy started a local YL net in Yakima. Randy, NG7PFW is her OM.

**Teresa Mathia, KE7TNT**

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Teresa holds a Technician license and is a Retail Associate. Jeff, KA7EMS is her OM.

**Kathryn Stewart, KI7COI**

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Kathryn holds a Technician license and is an Accounting Specialist. She is a member of Clark Co. ARC.

**Jeannie Strange, W7JFS**

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Jeannie holds a Technician license. She is a member of Hi Desert ARG.

**Michelle Lange, KG7JUK**

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Michelle holds a General license and is a Bookkeeper. Her other hobbies include quilting and knitting. Her OM is Rich, KG7GDP and her son is John, KG7MRX.

**Nora Mary Wood, NW7CQ**

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Nora holds an Extra license and is Retired. She is a member of Hi Desert ARG. Emergency service is her main interest. Her ham family including OM Bob, W7SCY and son Ron, KF7RB all upgraded to Extra together in May.

**Cindy E. Snapp, KE7CYK**

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Cindy holds a General license. She is a member of Oregon Emergency Net, W7EAT and Mt. Hood RC. She enjoys Field Day and 7QP. Bob, K7XI is her family member.

**Nicole Crosby, N7XBY**

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Nicole holds an Extra license and is self-employed as The Scholarship Tutor. She is a member and President Elect of Clark Co. ARC. Her QRZ page has much more information about Nicole's activities on and off the air.

**Monica Fredrickson, KG7GWD**

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Monica holds a General license and is an Engineer. She is a member of Federal Way ARC. She is active on 2 and 40 m.

**Kimberly Gray, WA7KRG**

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Kimberly holds a Technician license and is a Massage Therapist. She learned about YLRL at the Vancouver Field Day. George, N7TNG is a family member. Her former call was KG7YIZ.

**SUBSCRIBERS (from SEA-PAC)**

**Nicole Reynolds**

[Redacted]  
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Nicole is a student. Vince, N7VER is her dad.

**Jocelyn Bagley**

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Jocelyn is in Sales. Kernan, K7NAN is her OM and she has 3 adult sons.

**Loretta Gilbert**

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[Redacted]  
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Richard, KG7JBV is Loretta's husband.

**Jordan Gilbert**

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Jordan is the daughter of Richard, KG7JBV.

**Jody Hull**

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**Sandra Cady**

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Sandra is a manager. Her father-in-law is a ham.

**Deborah Bradford**

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Deborah was the winner of the drawing at the SEA-PAC YL Luncheon.

**DISTRICT 9**

**Lisa Beasley KC9BG**

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

Lisa holds an Extra license and works in IT. She is a member of Centralia Wireless Association. Her former call was KC9OWN.

**DISTRICT 10**

**Helen Crockett AC0NE**

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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Helen holds an Extra license and is Retired. She is a member of St. Charles ARC. She enjoys RTTY Roundup. She and OM, Richard, W0PC are ARES operators.

**Jennifer Romine KD5SYQ**

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Jennifer holds a General license and is in manufacturing. She was sponsored by Barbara, KDOWAU. Russell, KC5UNP is a family member.

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

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