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1976 YLRL Convention in Houston

From Frances, WA5MPM:

"I am sending the information on the Convention." "Holiday Inn came through in fine style with a "reduced rate" which means that their rates are going up on June 1, but that we can have the rooms at the current rate." "The girls should be sure to indicate that they are attending the YLRL Convention, attention Pat Hall when they make their room reservations.

"As you see, we are planning a tour of the city and the Astrodome for Friday. The cost is \$7.50 plus tax. I am sure there are many things the girls would like to see and do in Houston, and we are going to have as much information as possible for them. There is an interesting Shopping Mall in the vicinity and the famous Galleria, Neiman-Marcus, Lordand Taylor, Sakowitz, Saks Fifth Avenue complex is about ten minutes by Freeway from the Convention Motel."

"We are planning a reception for Friday night honoring the present YLRL officers and the past presidents. We are hoping that many will be here for that, and we will have a chance to visit and make eye-ball QSOs by the dozens.

We are excited over having Ellen White, W1YL, Deputy Communications Officer for ARRL, as our luncheon speaker."

"Please make note of the fact that I as prize chairman am willing and anxious to receive any and all prizes at any time now. The address is Frances Smith, WA5MPM, 4718 Hallmark Lane #902, Houston, TX 77056."

A Letter From the Editor

Dear YLs: It has come to my attention that several YLs are very much disappointed at having only their call, name, and address printed in the 1975 "super" directory issue when they mailed in their questionnaires. It has been suggested that this information could be printed in one of the regular issues.

I would like to say that I have kept all questionnaires received by me—dating and numbering each one as I received them—so it was no oversight on my part to omit anyone. However, contrary to the instructions printed on the form to return them to me, quite a few YLs mailed their questionnaires to the Secretary along with their ballots—some were even sent to another officer. The ballot envelopes were left unopened and sealed by the Secretary and these questionnaires were not received by me until August 29, 1975, long after the directory went to the printer and well on its way to the membership. If your questionnaire was not among the ones sent to the wrong place, but sent to me, it either arrived long after deadline (or passed the July 12, 1975 date where it could have been included on the last page—the directory was taken to the printer on July 13), or it just never reached me.

Because of skipping one of the regular issues of Harmonics last year, I have had a backlog of material and pictures to catch up on, and we are limited to the number of pages in the magazine. Therefore, extra space has not been available to include information from the questionnaires as suggested.

I am truly sorry about all of this. I can understand the disappointment, but under the circumstances, it was beyond my control.

33, Carrie, WA4BVD

Message of Vice President

Greetings to all YLs. I have enjoyed the notes which several of you sent along with your contest papers. I appreciate getting your suggestions about the future contests. February seems to be a bad month for our DX gals as the band conditions are very poor at this time of the year for them. We don't want our DX gals to be discouraged so, your suggestions of changing the time for the next DX-YL contest is being considered and I hope the Board will have a report soon.

Several YLs informed me that in some countries the gals know nothing about the contests. I hope we can have more publicity so that everyone will be able to take part and know that they are most welcome.

Very few gals took part in the contests. You'll notice the scores were not very high. There were very few taking part in the CW portion which was probably due to poor band conditions.

If you have any ideas which you think would be conducive to good "hamming," please pass them along.

Best of 35's

Beth Newlin
Beth Newlin WA7WFG

Vice President



DX-YL To North American YL



Contest Results

CW Jan. 14 - 15, 1976

Phone Jan. 28 - 29, 1976



Winners In Contest

DX-YL Combined Score:

DJØEK - 198

PHONE: 1. HC2YL.....540
2. YN1KG.....378
3. KH6IPL.....190

CW: 1. DJØEK..... 48
2. YV5CKR..... 30
3. I3MQ..... 24

North American YL Combined Score:

WA2DMK - 45*

PHONE: 1. WA8AHU.....247.5*
2. W2GLB.....242
3. W4LKM.....220*
Operating as W4CWV

CW: 1. WA2DMK..... 15*
2. WA5PQX..... 3
3. AC2HFR..... 1.25*

PHONE SECTION

HC2YL...540
YN1KG...378
KH6IPL...190
DJØEK...150
F5RC...110*
VE2JZ...110*
DJ1TE...100*
YV5CKR.. 90
VE7DTO.. 78.75*
DJ5UAC.. 30*
G8LY.... 24
ZS2AA... 20*

DF2SL... 15*
DK2KD... 5*
ZS6GH... 1.25*

CW SECTION

DJØEK... 48
YV5CKR.. 30
I3MQ.... 24
DF2SL... 11.25*
G8LY.... 1.25*

PHONE SECTION

WA8AHU..247.5*
W2GLB...242
W4LKM...220*
Operating as W4CWV
K6DLL...169
K4RNS... 36
WA2DMK.. 30*
WB6QVD.. 30*

CW SECTION

WA2DMK..15*
WA5PQX.. 3
AC2HFR.. 1.25*

*Denotes low power multiplier
150w input CW - 300w FEP Phone
Use 1.25 multiplier

FROM THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.

Effective today, amateurs filling applications for renewal of their licenses no longer have to show that they have met the operating time requirements of Section 97.13 (a), nor state that they can copy code at the 5, 13, or 20 word speed appropriate to the license class. "No one has ever demonstrated that any identifiable relationship exists between the requirements of Section 97.13 (a) and an individual's competence as a radio amateur," the Commission declared.

Recently there have been applications for modification or renewal of a license in which the amateur has submitted a photocopy altered from the original, to obscure the "conditional" symbol or upgrade the license class for instance. These fraudulent filings have been numerous enough to cause the Commission some concern. Accordingly, it has issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Docket 20672, to require that original licenses and not photocopies be attached to applications for renewal or modification of the primary station license. Comment deadline, in an original and 11 copies, is January 22 with reply copies by February 2, 1976.

Regulations have been modified so that Canadian amateurs applying for reciprocal operating privileges in the United States no longer have to furnish a mailing address here. The Citizens Radic Service rules have been amended similarly.

-From ARRL Director's letter 12/24/75

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1976 BICENTENNIAL CALL SIGN PREFIX AUTHORIZED

The FCC has authorized the use of special call signs by amateurs during the 1976 bicentennial year. Amateurs desiring to use these special call signs may do so interchangeably with their special call signs during the period beginning 0500 GMT January 1, 1976 and ending 0500 GMT January 1, 1977. No prior approval from the Commission is required for any such use, and the use of the bicentennial calls is entirely voluntary. Use of these special call signs requires only the exchange of the existing prefixes with the specified prefixes AA through AL in the contiguous 48 states, as shown on the accompanying table, and the exchange of a prefix or prefix plus digit for those stations outside the contiguous U.S. All existing suffixes remain unchanged.

EXISTING CALL SIGN PREFIXES	BICENTENNIAL CALL SIGN PREFIXES										
	AA	AB	AC	AD	AE	AF	AG	AH	AI	AJ	AK
WA	x										
WB		x									
W			x								
K				x							
WD					x						
WR						x					
WN											x

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Deadline

Next deadline for news is on or before April 25, 1976. Send news to: Carrie C. Lynch, WA4BVD, Route 5, Box 46, Cochran, Georgia 31014

Renew Your Membership

NOVICE CORNER

Joyce Lauterbach, WN9NUL
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Writing this column is a pleasure. For the first time I have news other than my own. Dot, WN3ZGK, from Hanover, Pennsylvania, is alive and kicking. She is secretary for

the Gettysburg ACARS. Like most of us, she finds QSLs slow, but averages about 50% in returns. Also, she had found a penpal who she met on the air. Dot had quite a bit to say on a previous column about ham and CB radio. With patience, faith, and promotion, she says ham radio will continue to grow. Dot would like to set up schedules or write to other YLs.

Betty, WN9PKU, went to take her test in Chicago. The day started with her feeling ill, but off she went. While going through revolving doors Betty's glasses broke. With a shaky hand and mended glasses, she passed code for her Tech license, but theory was her next crisis. Betty is now boning up and plans to try again. Good luck, Betty!

I also tried my luck at a General test. Managed to pass my code, but theory proved too much for me. My examiner was quite nice and told me I only missed by a little so March 5 I'm on my way again.

After reading Doris', WA3HEN, column of last issue, she has given me all the push I need. Doris, I thank you for the boost we novices occasional need.

Also, I want to thank the "older member" for her nudge to novices. It gave me a moral lift.

I'd like to ask any of you for some patterns for crochet puppets, afghans, or pillows. I have a new hobby, but no patterns.

Hope to hear from you all soon. Also, as Easter will be here before the next issue, I wish you all a blessed Easter Holiday.

33's, Joyce, WN9NUL

* BICENTENNIAL, YOU SAY? SPIRIT OF 76? de Eunice G. Bernon, K8ONA *

Vernacular in our privileged hobby is unique. You can't beat "73." And it's exchanged all over the world.

I'd like to encourage still another, more profound expression in honor of our nation's Bicentennial. How about the spirit of "76"?

Come, read along with me:

"76"-----GOD BLESS YOU

"Dear friend of mine, there is no way...In which I could address you... With more sincerity of heart...Than just to say God Bless You...My words could wish that all your cares...Would be a little lighter...And I could send you greeting cards...To make your hours brighter...My lips could call good luck to you...Or whisper happy landing...And I could promise you the depth...Of faithful understanding...But I am sure no other thought...Or message would impress you...As lovingly or lastingly...As asking God to bless you...And so I say God Bless You, Friend...In every good endeavor...And may His guiding grace be yours...forever and forever."

Now, don't you agree it is stirring? It does embody a glowing message, applicable...within our fraternity, our brotherhood!

I stand ready to cooperate with radio amateurs who are eager to spread the spirit of "76." Just send me a SASE and you will promptly receive an attractive copy, ready for framing.

76, Eunice, K8ONA

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Ione O'Donnell, WA2DMK
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The United States is celebrating its' 200th birthday this year. Many special events, historical celebrations and re-enactments are taking place throughout the country. In keeping with the birthday festivities ARRL is issuing a Bi-centennial WAS award. Even if you already have a WAS, this one is worth working for, and since some of the DX members might like to have this, I will tell you about it. The award itself is vertical

in design, 10 by 14 inches, red, white and blue printing on a heavyweight tan parchment like paper. It has a picture of one of our Revolutionary heroes on it, Paul Revere. He rode through the countryside to warn of the coming British.

The rules for obtaining this WAS are much the same as the regular one. You must contact all 50 states, any and all amateur bands and modes are allowed, but there will be no special band or mode endorsements. All 50 states MUST be contacted in 1976, from Jan. 1 until Dec. 31. Contacts must be confirmed in writing, preferably QSL cards. They must show your call and that two-way communication took place in 1976. After accomplishing the contacts and QSLs, make an alphabetical list of the states—Alabama through Wyoming—giving the station contacted for each along with the month and day this contact took place. Mail the list, with the QSLs in alphabetical order, to ARRL, 225 Main St., Newington, Conn. 06111. There is no charge for DX for this award. All postage will be paid by ARRL, but if you wish registered mail for your QSLs and WAS, you must then send enough money to cover this.

Brazil is now offering the first Brazilian YL award—BRYLA. All are invited to work for it. DX must contact 12 YL stations from different countries (3 continents) and 8 YL Brazil stations. Contacts must be made from the same QTH, in any band or mode. Applicants must send a standard log certified by a recognized Amateur Radio Association, mentioning station worked, date, time, mode, report and band. When applying for BRYLA, please send a QSL for the files and 10 IRCs for postage. Send to BRYLA, C/O PY1FI, P. O. Box 58, 20,000 Rio, RJ, Brazil. News of the new award came from Therezinha, PY1FI, who says PY-YLs can be found on 14,160 Khz at 1830 GMT and 14,210 at 2000 GMT.

We have four new DX members since December. G4BWK, Bella, is the adoptee of Gerry, K7YDO. She is active on 20 and 80 meters, phone only. She has a daughter and a son who is 4Z4IX and they keep in touch via Ham Radio. Bella enjoys music, plays the piano and is a member of the YLSSB, Nr. 9323. She has been kept very busy caring for her OM who is ill. Hope he is better now, Bella.

DK5RU, Uschi, is the adoptee of Sue, K4BDF. Her family consists of her OM DJ5LX and one YL age 9. She is active on all bands. Uschi has a kindergarten at home where she keeps four children all week for Mothers that work. Besides Ham Radio, she likes to fly gliders.

G4DUG, Grace, is the adoptee of Agnes, W6MFP. Her OM is G3SZY. She is active on 20, 15, and 2 meters, phone only. Grace teaches French and English in a middle school (children 9-13). She also runs the Guide Company in her village. Her other hobbies include knitting, sewing, reading, and playing badminton.

SM5EUU, Kerstin, is the adoptee of Dorothy, W9RCY. Kerstin's OM is SM5EAW and they have one YL age 6. Besides Ham Radio her main hobbies are books and music—she plays the flute and guitar. Her profession is school teacher. You will find her mostly on weekends, both CW and Phone.

I have heard from DF2SL and YU2CBV. Anny, DF2SL, is now adopted by Lia, WA2NFY. She is active on all bands, both CW and Phone. Anny likes to sew, play cards, chess and the accordion. She is working on WAZ and needs only zones 12, 6 and 31 to finish that award up. She is a member of AG-CW Nr. 290, every morning at 0500 GMT they give the weather from Europe to a control station.

YU2CBV, Marija, is the adoptee of Myrtle, WA6ISY. She is active on all bands both CW and Phone. Marija is a student and her hobbies are knitting, and collecting picture postcards, badges and little dolls. Also some interesting news from Yugoslavia. A YL club, YUYLC, was established in 1975. They have about 25 members and Marija is the President. She is also the Editor of the new YL column in the National Radio Amateur magazine—and she translates the YLRL contest rules, among other features. They have a column "Let Us Meet One YL," which sounds like an interesting and different idea.

New Year greetings to all and notes from: Austine, VK3YL; Paula, DJ0EK; Barbara, SP2FF; Zofia, SP5YL; Diana, ZS6GH, who says her son Irvine is now ZR6FX, all ZR Hams are restricted to 2-meter phone, when they take the Morse Code test—and pass—at 12 WPM, they receive the ZS call. Late word received—Diana will be visiting the U.S. this May for 6 to 8 weeks, and is hoping to visit as many SAWRC members as possible. Sonia, PY2SO, who with OM Joe took a trip to Europe last fall. They visited England and France, making a pilgrimage to the Disembarkment beaches in Normandy, Omaha, etc.—where many of the sites are in the original state. Zenda, OK2BMZ, who is now a member of WAYLARCs and with her new rig is QRV on all bands both CW and Phone. Rita, G3NOB, who sent the magazine RADIAL, the official Journal of the Radio Amateur Invalid and Bedfast Club—affiliated with RSCB. This is a very nice magazine containing stories, news of the members, jokes, hamfest reports, and all kinds of little tidbits.

SWITZERLAND: Anny, HB9YL, is having antenna problems, but hopes to get up her cubical Quad soon. She visited Joan, GM3NYC, in Scotland last spring.

Greta, HB9ARC, enjoyed the YLAP this year. She tells of operating from her portable QTH—near a vineyard—at the time the grapes were being gathered. She was invited to watch how they press the grapes and make the wine, and tasting was also involved. "Not necessary to tell how gay and cheerful we all got"—Hi!

FALKLAND ISLAND: Maude, VP8NY, has a new rig with 100 P.E.P. and multiband dipole antenna. She wants very much to meet some of the YLRL members. Maude operates on 14,250-14,332 Khz around 2300 GMT. She is also a YLISSB'er Nr. 9404.

GERMANY: Ursula, DL3LS, and her OM Henry do a lot of traveling. This year they are visiting the U.S.—San Francisco, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming, and New England. Hoping to participate in the WRONE Spring luncheon. Then the last of May they will be off to Helsinki. Ursula is the manager of DLYL, an award DX stations can claim when having QSL cards from 10 different German YL stations.

ITALY: Ada, I3MQ, has a new rig, the Swan 500 CX. She is one of our reliable contest operators, and has a couple of suggestions—more

activity from the Stateside YLs on CW, and may I second that, and mention that for those who are leery of CW speed is not required in these YL contests, please just hook up a key and participate. Ada also asks please QSL, she and many others work for the YL awards, and QSLs are most gratefully appreciated.

JAPAN: Akiyo, JH1GMZ, is busy with her family, OM Fumio is now back at the Civil Engineering Dept. of the University of Tokyo as an Associate Professor. Hiroyuki is 7 and entered elementary school last spring. Masaki is 11 and fascinated with baseball and fishing. Akiyo has the responsibility of treasurer of the Parent Association of her son's school.

Keiko, JABEJH, wrote a nice letter to Beth, W7NJS, in which she gives us a glimpse of her life and QTH. She is located on a hilly street overlooking the Pacific Ocean. They have their coldest season from Jan. which brings floating ice packs along the coast, until March. Keiko enjoys hamming more in this season than any other. She sews and knits and at the end of Dec. was getting ready the foods and traditional decorations for the "Farewell-to-the-Year" Party that is common in every Japanese family. She also mentions that in the town of Ya-Gumo—meaning eight flocks of clouds—they have a Ham Club station operated by sightless Hams. Harumi, JABWQY, is the daughter of Keiko. She is not very active now as she is busy with school. She will be entering high school this April. Harumi enjoys knitting and hamming when time permits.

Kuni, JAIYL, in a letter to Beth, W7NJS, tells of the Japan Ladies' Radio Society (JLRS) 18th convention held in Tokyo this past summer. 64 YLs attended with their OMs and families. JLRS has over 300 members throughout JA-land now. JLRS nets are on Wed. 0100 GMT on 7,050 Khz and Fri. 0000 GMT on 7,050 Khz.

I am looking for new DX members again. My waiting list is now of sponsors, not DX! Please write to me if you know of any DX-YLs who would like to join YLRL. I will get in touch with them immediately.

Have you sent in the dues for your adoptee? If not, please do. Renewals are coming in quite well.

I will leave you with the pleasant thought of: green grass-birds-flowers-Spring is coming!!

33, Ione, WA2DML

1976 YLRL Convention in Houston

At the Holiday Inn West located on I-10 West in the Memorial City area just west of the city. June 10-12, 1976, is the date.

CORRECTIONS in the YL-AP CONTEST

DK5TT should have been listed as third place winner in the CW section with a score of 828.75. K6KCI should have been listed as first place winner in the PHONE section and not HC2YL.

DK5TT should also have been listed in the Combined Score Section with score of 2047.50 having a score of 828.75 in the CW section and a score of 1218.75 in the PHONE section.

W2HFR with a score of 190 should have been listed in the CW section.

The Knoxville Radio Amateur Hamfest and Banquet will be held in Knoxville on May 29 & 30 (Memorial Day Weekend). Jo Melton (WB4NKO) is Banquet Chairman and anyone wishing Banquet Reservations are asked to contact her. The Banquet will be on Saturday night May 29 at 8:00 PM. We hope to see as many as possible. OM Roy, WB4JGF, is Hamfest Chairman.

Introducing SOME NEW MEMBERS...by Marilyn, WB9MFC

WH6IQK - Ona lives in Honolulu, Hawaii. She holds a novice ticket and is a high school student. Mom is WH6INE, and dad is WH6IOF. Ona's dad is in the Navy and he is stationed in Honolulu. Their home town is Newport, Rhode Island. Ona will enjoy "habla Espanol on the novice bands."

WA2AKU - Marcia Baulch lives in Far Hills, N.J. Marcia holds a General Class ticket. Dad is W2TX. Marcia's occupation is Senior Secretary.

WA2DFQ - Jayne Price lives in Rochester, New York. She holds a General Class ticket. Son Alan is K2OEP.

WN2YIT - Evelyn Hanson lives in Schoharie, N.Y. Evelyn holds a Novice license.

WN3YEQ - Gail Blackburn lives in Slippery Rock, Pa. She holds Novice license. OM Hugh is K3FVH and son Hugh is a novice. Gail's occupation is furniture repair. Gail recently passed Advanced test and is anxiously awaiting her new call.

WN3ZUE - Rebecca Pegge lives in Butler, Pa. OM Bob is W3ZKR. Rebecca has passed Tech exam and is waiting for her ticket.

WA4FAL - Patricia (Patty) Terrie lives in Tallahassee, Fla. Patty holds Tech license. OM E. Walter is WA4FBI. Patty is a secretary and has a B.A. degree in Geology.

WN4LXI - Rebecca Padgett lives in Gainesville, Fla. OM Steve is WB4GRK. Rebecca holds a Novice license and also a student at University of Florida.

WA4UPA - Sandra Pitts lives in Pineville, N.C. OM Richard is WB4IZP. Father-in-law is W5EEJ. Sandra is a Licensed Practical Nurse.

WB5MEU - Terry Breeding lives in Metairie, Louisiana. Terry holds a General class ticket. OM David is WB5LBN. Terry is a Medical Technologist.

W6IOG - Bunny Burmeister lives in Watsonville, Cal. Bunny holds General ticket. OM Earl is W6IOF. Twelve-year-old son is very interested in becoming a Jr. Op. Former call is K9FGG.

WA6TOD - Patsy Yamashire lives in La Mirada, Cal. OM Stanley has a Phd in Elect. Engineering and is on the faculty at U.S.C. Patsy's occupation is Electrical Engineer. Former call is KH6COL.

WB7AIX - Liz Riemer lives in Auburn, Wash. Liz holds a General ticket. Her brother is WA7ZNW. Liz is a high school student. She prefers to operate CW.

WN7BSA - Carolyn Rocklin lives in Phoenix, Ariz. OM Stan is WN7CBY. Stan's dad is W0BZX and cousin Jim is W0HFW. Carolyn's occupation is with City of Phoenix Word Processing Center as supervisor.

WB8WHW - Mary Ann Heflin lives in Columbus, Ohio. OM Morgan is WA8UVR. Mary Ann holds Technician license.

WB9NLP - Lolo Maisel lives in Highland Park, Ill. OM Sam is WN9SRD. Lolo is a teacher and holds a General class ticket.

WN0PMA/4 - Judy Regennitter lives in Fayetteville, N.C. Judy is a teacher. OM Fred is WA0HFW/4. Former call WN0CPU. Judy is also Army XYL. She enjoys working DX on 15 meters.

WN0QKZ - F. Elizabeth Nimmo lives in Higginsville, Missouri. OM Herb is WN0QLA. Their daughter, Marty, is WN0QLB. Elizabeth is also a Sub. Teacher.

WN0QLB - Martha "Marty" Nimmo lives in Higginsville, Missouri. She is a 4th grade student. Mom is WN0QKZ, and dad is WN0QLA. Marty is active in 4-H. 8-9-66.

WN0RCO - Grace Hockett lives in Fort Scott, Kans. Her occupation is machine gilter (has shop in her home, and often finds herself radioing when she should be working). Grace also does some air-brush painting, oil painting, and fabric painting.

DISTRICT NEWS

One - Land

Edna, K1VEB, District Chairman

Everything is snow covered here in the pine tree state this chilly Feb. morning, but the temperature is rising fast and rain predicted for this coastal area. Many disappointed snow mobile enthusiasts here about. They will be traveling inland farther again this weekend for their sport. Many of us are thinking spring and looking for any first signs other than cobwebs and dust. By the time you gals read this, there will be definite signs of early spring flowers peeking through and budding trees, at least in the warmer section of N.E. We have had a very cold winter here with lots of ice under foot, thus have missed our winter walks and spent more time inside than usual.

At least two of our girls are working on the Bicentennial WAS award having loads of fun. Leona, W1YPH, has only three states to go. North Dakota, Alaska and Hawaii. Believe she worked all on CW. Diane, WA1UAC, was doing great also the last we heard and sitting up or getting up at all hours to get some of the "goodies." Good luck, girls!

Much sickness reported around, and it's a rare one who has managed to escape. Happy to hear our WRONE president Lorraine, WA1EDR, is feeling fine once again.

Yankee Lassie Net is going good and always pleased to hear gals who haven't checked in for such a long time, and new ones joining us for the first time.

W1BBS, Kate, has been doing lots of traveling to and from Mass. to spend time with her mother who was on the sick list. Hope she is better now, Kate!

Alice, K1VAV, remembered it was Wednesday a couple of times. She has joined the rank of grandma. Braiding rugs in her spare time.

K1LCI, Ginny, has a lovely little granddaughter also. Enjoyed having all her family home for Christmas. Ginny is still busy teaching so doesn't get on the air but very little.

Betty, W1MOI, another welcome voice and she was kept busy giving signal reports for a few minutes. Karla, WA1UVJ, was especially happy as she needed the New Hampshire contact.

Julie, WA1SUU, is the proud owner of a shiny bright new General license. Congratulations! Says she got it mainly to keep in touch with OM Tom, WA1SRS, when he goes to sea. Do continue checking in to chat with us gals, too, Julie.

Jean, K1TVT, is trying several new crafts. Cake decorating for one, and little daughter Katie enjoys helping out on this. Also, doing sand art and tole painting. Would you believe that she was reading a new book at net time Wednesday morning!

W1ZEN, Onie, surprised everyone by saying she had nothing on the knitting needles. We have heard much about a new cape she is sporting, and the many compliments received. Seems she couldn't find just the right pattern so worked one up herself. Clever! Wear it to spring luncheon, Onie, for all to admire.

Billie, K1NEI, writes, "Sorry to have missed Leona W1YPH and Kay W1GAC last fall. Was only gone about 2 hours. (Isn't that always the way.)" Better luck this year, Leona. We almost missed VE3DMC, George Schuthe of Ottawa, as we drove in just as they were about to leave. We had a wonderful eyeball QSO with George and his charming wife. OM, W1FRT, and Billie, K1NEI, hope that Leona and OM and George and XYL will repeat their visits. Thank you, Billie, for the note. The first and only one to date. Come on, girls! Happy Easter to all.

WA2GPT - A speedy recovery to Bea, WA2GPT, after recent surgery. Bea has all U.S.A. counties confirmed. Her 3079 total includes five in Hawaii and four in Alaska. She holds USA-CA #137. Hope she can still make that mobile trip to Florida and help other County Hunters along the way, as planned.

WA2MIO - Congratulations to Kate, WA2MIO, on that Advanced ticket. WA2DMK - Our International Membership Correspondent, Ione, WA2DMK, is proud of her DX-YL certificate after trying for four years. She hopes to qualify for DXCC-YL in about 35 years! Also, she is working for the Bicentennial WAS.

WA2FGS, Rose Ellen, is currently serving as Receiving Treasurer of YLRL, treasurer of CCARC local radio club, on BA ARC (Bicentennial) committee which is updating a DX booklet to be sold during the '76 Bicentennial. Her antennas have been repaired and she is back on all bands again—continuing previous skeds. She plays bridge once a week, is on the Board of Directors for Port Cana (widow/widowers) and attends their functions. All this and still working full time!

WA2NFY - News about Lia, WA2NFY, can be found in the February QST in the YL News and Views column. She is also active in the Rochester repeater club. She had over 100 QSOs in a recent VHF contest. She has two adoptees—Anny, DF2SL, and Birgitta, SM0FIB. She has a Tuesday sked with Ada, I3MQ. She is also working for the Bicentennial WAS, would be very happy to get Hawaii. She feels sorry for Matilda, her parakeet, who calls CQ frequently, but nobody ever answers her. She recently joined our Harem Net on 3.930. In her spare time, she enjoys cross-country skiing.

WA2PUU, Viv, is another busy YL. Her family consists of OM, Joe, and three daughters. Daughter Joyce, WB2FUS, is married to Vince, WA2TZT. Viv is secretary of "RAGS"—Radio Amateurs of Greater Syracuse and is also editor of their monthly eight-page newsletter. She writes the ham radio column which is published every Sunday in the Syracuse Herald-American newspaper. She helps to run a slow speed novice net, daily at 5 P.M. on 3.728 Khz. She teaches theory and CW to novice classes several times a year. Some of the novices she has trained have gone to missionary work in South American countries where they are now able to keep in contact with their home area. Viv can be found on 2 meters, 15, 20, 40 and 80. CW is her favorite mode. She has even been known to chase DX and enjoys ragchewing. She also works at a part-time job.

WA2RDV, Barb, is waiting to sell her home in Smithtown before joining the OM in Florida.

NYC YLs did not have a meeting since YLH #1, no news at deadline time.

WB2YBA, Christine, wants 16mm film of oldest and youngest Novice or General class YLs for a Public Relations Film. Please contact her if you have a suitable subject.

EX-W2OWL, Ruth, is back on the air from Florida with her new call, W4LYC, thanks to help from Art, W2LH, who is Madeline's (W2EEO) OM. Art and Madeline are enjoying swimming and golf at Del Rey Beach, Florida. They keep regular schedules with daughter Sylvia, W2GFK, thanks to Phyllis, W2GLE, who made a landline to Sylvia after a QSO with W2LH.

W2GLE, Phyllis, called to ask who the AREC co-ordinator was for her county (Suffolk). As a result, she was appointed official contact for Guatemala Emergency Traffic.

The YLISSB Convention will be on Long Island June 24 to June 27. We expect to see many YLRL members.

Hi - Weather here in Maryland is beautiful after some nasty freezing rain and a little snow. Been keeping myself busy with the planning of a PTA Pizza Nite and Bake Sale as well as the meetings I've been attending for the school and at the school. Little more to these PTA's than bargained for, but most enjoyable. Been crocheting a big granny square bedspread, all in blues and purples and just about finished. Even went back to an old hobby I've neglected for a long time—stamp collecting. I do the collecting and the younger son does the saving. Other than all of this, I've operated in some of the Army MARS nets and a little two-meter FM.

Looks like my threat in the last column to ramble on paid off. I did hear from some of the YLs in 3-land. None from Md. or Del., but quite a few from Pa.

Besides the letters from 3-land, I heard from Raj, K7NZO, who liked my column about the "X" being eliminated from our identity. Raj gave a few of her own ideas on our identities such as MYL for "Married Young Lady," or as they are called in South Africa, LYL for "Licensed Young Lady." We could even use LYL for "Lovely Young Lady," hi. Now here is a good one—SYL? This is my OM's suggestion. He claims once we get started on something, there's no stopping us. SYL for "Super Young Lady." Thanks for the support, Raj! By the way, Raj is the YLRL Tape Topics Librarian.

Also heard from Rose Ellen, WA2FGS, who is chairman of the nominating committee for Amateur Radio News Service (ARNS) as well as YLRL Receiving Treasurer. Rose Ellen has recruited me to run for an office of ARNS. We'll let you know the outcome in a later column.

Now for the 3-land gals. Hazel, K3RGT, tells me she received a beautiful gold bracelet from the Hospital Auxiliary for her THOUSAND volunteer hours at the hospital snack bar. Congratulations, Hazel! What could be more rewarding to ones self. One of our local TV programs here in Maryland had a hospital administrator on two weeks ago who states that the volunteers save his hospital ONE MILLION DOLLARS per year and also admitted the hospital would have to close its doors if it wasn't for the volunteers. Hazel also edits a newsletter for Navy MARS. I love to receive newsletters, Hazel, so if you have an extra copy..... Some of the OMs up her way have started a 10-Meter Local Emergency Net and since she is the only active YL in town, they are insisting she join them and are going to erect a new antenna for her. In the meantime, she is joining them by phone patch. Nothing wrong with that, Hazel!

Received the PJYL QRV Newsletter. Thanks, gals. Bert, W3TNP, reports Carolyn, W3GTC, is YL Activities Director and has been named committee chairman for Atlantic Division ARRL Convention to be held in Philadelphia, July 23-24-25, 1976, at the Ben Franklin Hotel. Other committee chairmen are Dottie, K4YPH, as luncheon chairman; Jane, K3ZDN, as YL forum chairman; and Bert, W3TNP, as prizes chairman. Bert is going to send more info on this convention to be included in our next issues.

Edith, W3AUU, tells of her car breaking down on her way home from work. The OM she was in contact with on 2-meter FM drove many miles out of his way to help and get the car started so she could get it to the garage. He undoubtedly wears a "white hat."

If your're traveling through the Philadelphia area, you just might hear W3GTC, K3YPH, W3AUU, W3VNN, WA3NGV, WB2ALQ, and W3TNP operating that 16/76 repeater daily.

Jane, K3ZDN, was honored recently when she was included in the 9th edition of "Who's Who of American Women 1975-1976." Jane's listed activities included Librarian for the Free Library of Philadelphia from 1941-1942, Bartlett Jr. High School for 1942-1954, and from 1954 to pre-

sent at the Fels Jr. High School in Philadelphia. Nice going, Jane!

Bert, W3TNP, reports 220 MHz FM activity is increasing rapidly in the Delaware Valley area. Bert and her OM, W3KKN, are active through the Pack Rats repeater (Mt. Airy VHF Club) on 222.98/224.58 located in Churchville, Pa., and also through the Tri-State repeater located in Malvern, Pa., on 223.02/224.62. Both repeaters are active 24 hours daily. Bert can also be found on the intercontinental traffic net Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings around 9 A.M. on 14.313 MHz picking up traffic for the Philadelphia area.

Just about run out this time. We'll be looking forward to hearing from you for the next issue. By the way, I'd like to have all items by April 10.

Congratulations to Carrie, WA4BVD, who did an excellent job on the Number 1 issue of YL Harmonics and a Happy Birthday (37th) to YLRL.

33, Doris, WA3HEN

Four - Land

Nancy, WB4NTW, District Chairman

Editor's note: A letter from Nesta, WB4PKN, arrived here a couple of days before deadline in which she states that she was not sure of deadline, so was taking the liberty of addressing her news to me.

The OM Newt, WB4JSZ, and Nesta, WB4PKN, have just returned from their eighth trip by Cargo Liner to the Orient. They usually make this trip in the summer, but circumstances prevented them going until December. They found Japan and South Korea cold, but in the Philippines an air conditioner felt good. Mt. Fuji was completely covered with snow and was a beautiful sight viewed from their ship in Yokohama Harbor. While in Yokohama, they acquired a new Yaesu FT101E transceiver. They are giving it good work-outs, now. In August, Nesta upgraded her license to the Advanced Class. It was a happy day when she learned that she had passed the FCC test.

Six - Land

Mildred, W6KHM, District Chairman

So many thoughtful YLs took the time and effort to send me news notes, I thank you all. Do keep it up.

Beulah, W6NLM, and OM Clint, W6CP, covered 9300 miles after leaving home Oct. 15, 1975, in their Airstream. First stop was Victorville, California, for an Airstream rally, then took in the S.W. Convention where they saw many friends. After Salton Sea, Phoenix and Flagstaff, Beulah worked YLAP contest as portable 7, and on to New Mexico as mobile 5. They spent the holidays with their son, daughter and families. Stopped in New Orleans for a tour on their return and arrived back home January 15, 1976.

Dorothy, WA6PZC, and OM made a trip to the Orient, then took a flight to Japan where they were royally entertained. The KOBE Amateur Radio Club welcomed them, as well as other ham friends. JH2AQV took them on a tour to Toyota to visit the plant. Later he treated them to a fine dinner cooked by his mother and sisters. In Shimada, their sister City (this we should all have, hi), they were presented with a beautiful plaque. An unforgettable trip. Thanks for sharing, Dorothy!

Sandi, WA6WZN, sent a fine report on the L.A. YLs. Jenny, K6JCL, and OM Bob, W6DO, have a new 30-foot sail boat named "Sabrina" which means patience and fortitude in Arabic.

Jerry, K6INK, celebrated her birthday with a blast. A book of matches exploded in her hand and she received second degree burns. She is home from the hospital and doing well.

Irma, K6KCI, and OM Lou, K6GHU, received a nice anniversary gift from their son, an Icom22A. It is mounted in the car and works just fine

according to all reports.

Mary, WA6EJP, upgraded to General in December 1975. Congrats! OM Ed, WB6EJC, is president of the San Fernando Valley Radio Club this year. They own and operate their own paint store in Van Nuys which keeps them busy, not much time for hobbies, but they enjoy the business. They have two married children, and "Killer," a black poodle.

Vi, W6CBA, is feeling great since surgery last October. She is just finishing up after major remodeling, but she says it looks fine. She hasn't been on the air lately, but sends a happy 1976 to all.

The BAYLARCS held their holiday luncheon which was well attended. Annual election of officers was held at W6KHM's following the luncheon. All officers and board members were re-elected for another year. It was voted that the club continue terms for two adoptees, G8LY, Constance, and ZL2AAB, Zelda. The meeting was followed by the traditional "Splash-down," and gift exchange.

Vi, K6EEE, and OM Roland, W6CEU, are still trailer traveling and thoroughly enjoying it. They covered 24,000 miles since they left the Bay Area thirteen months ago. They have 2-meter gear in the car, very convenient. They visited Nova Scotia, her father's homeland, and received a warm welcome from all.

Mildred, W6PJU, sends greetings to all and hopes to see many of us at the YLRL convention in Houston, July 10-11-12.

Elsie, WA6GQC, is to be congratulated for her "outstanding achievement." She recently appeared in the S. F. office of FCC and successfully verified her ham ticket which had been issued year's ago as a class "C" license. We are all proud of you, Elsie!

33, Mike Stine, W6KHM

Seven - Land

Gerry, K7YDO, District Chairman

By the time this reaches the printed page, you should all be enjoying the advent of spring. We're well into the New Year and, as usual, the YL activities in various districts are well in line with Ham activities in general, and the 7th district YLs are as usual "doing things."

Verna, W7JYX (ex K9LUI), is still enjoying the sunny skies of Arizona. Excitement in the form of two Diamond Back Rattlesnakes—these were properly taken care of by OM Bill, W7JYZ. Hamming is still a big part of their lives.

Helen, WA7QQN: Amateur radio activities, craft projects, continuing nursing education ventures, and microwave cooking experiments are all enjoyable and conducive to sweeping the "chores" under the rug. Highlight of the year was her winning a contest that involved contacting the most amateurs within Whatcom County. She had to work, carrying a portable station to those without equipment and dig her way through locating, convincing, and scheduling. As she was the only woman member of the local club, she was determined. Hopes to be on the air more in the future.

Dot, who is now W4MME in Satellite Beach, Florida: "I'm real excited about getting a new rig." She says she will always think of herself as W7CLK and sends her 33s to all her 7-land friends.

Ruby, W7QME, had surgery and is now recuperating. In spite of an allergy, expects to be on the A-OK list soon.

Alma, W7FDE, had a bit of a virus in the family, but says she has no time to be sick. She hopes to be on the MINOW net frequently during 1976. She attended hamfests in Wenatchee, Spokane, and Walla Walla last year.

Bertha, K7CHA, hasn't been able to be on the MINOW net because she is working. Hopes to make a trip to Alaska to visit her brother.

We're happy to hear that Evelyn, W6ALM/7, who is now living in Bothell, Washington, is joining the YLRL again. She was a member a number

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of year's ago, and says that now that her two daughters are grown up, she has more time now, so we'll all be hoping to hear Evelyn.

Toddy, W7LCS, has a new color TV set. She keeps a schedule with Bob, W7RD, on CW nearly every Friday and has been doing so for almost 30 years. Her OM, Bill, got off the ship he was on in Oakland and will be home now for some months.

WA7YIA, Marjorie, says that QRM and low power have kept her off the YL nets, but says that she will try harder in 1976.

Congratulations to Mona, WA7UFS. She is now a holder of the DXCC certificate. Hear her frequently on the low end of 20 talking to many exotic stations.

WA7GGV, Helen: "I hope to be in Houston for the convention. I'm investigating the AMTRACK schedules as I've always had a love for the railroads. After the convention, I hope to go to St. Petersburg, Fla., to visit relatives."

Orissa, K7KHU: "Had a lot of fun on YLAP." She and OM Chuck, K7BAG, passed their advanced tests. They have a new rig for the car, all transistor. "We haven't even used it at the time of this writing, but we're looking forward to a lot of fun with it when we go on vacation next summer."

Glennie, WA7GFN: "The Butte Amateur Radio Club includes 3 gals in their active membership of about 30. Ioyce, K7RRS, and I upgraded our amateur radio licenses of conditional last summer to general licenses and then on Dec. 29, we successfully passed our advanced exams. We are now waiting for our new tickets to arrive from Gettysburg. Ellen, WA7YIQ, passed the theory part of the general exam Dec. 29." Who says the YLs aren't keeping up with the OMs.

WA7BDD, Joan: "I don't know too much news but I can tell you some about Verda, K7UBC, and myself. Verda and Johnny left Jan. 8 on a six-week trip south. They have a new Atlas 210 mobile rig in their new Fiat car. They visited Verda's sister in Wyoming, another sister in Texas and plan to go to Arizona and California to visit ham friends and some of Johnny's relatives. As for me, I'm attending night school again. This time at University High School, which is where my daughter will graduate from this year. I am taking 'Basic Education' and hope to get my high school diploma by taking the G.E.D. test in March. I am still active on CW traffic nets and plan to try for Bicentennial WAS."

Marty, W7ECU, is a newcomer to the 75-meter MINOW net. She has been on the CW MINOW Net, but just recently got brave enough to get on SSB.

KL7FLS, Bess: "I folded up my station in Eagle River, Alaska, around the first of the year, 1974, knowing we would be leaving that part of the country soon after our retirement in July. Since getting down here, haven't had a place to set up the station until just a few months ago." "I listen to the Alaska/Pacific Net practically every day for weather reports if nothing else. Do want to get back on teletype so can converse with Paul, Jr., in Eagle River." 2-meters seems to be the popular thing there, but she doesn't have the power that many have, but is enjoying her 10 watts.

W7TGG, Vera: "Don't do much hamming. One sked at 8:30 on Sunday a.m. on 40 meters. We, Ray and I, are still at the ranch, had so much rain this year that we had such a big crop so kept really busy trying to get it in."

Willie, WA7IRD, is looking forward to retirement after Jan. 1 from her job where she has worked for quite a number of years. We're looking forward to having her back regularly on the air.

Debbie and Roy, WA7UJI and W7JFR, have left for the south. They plan to join the Airstream caravan to Panama in January. First they will be in Del Rio, Texas, for five days, getting their orientation, then on the 15th travel to Mexico and on through Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama and into the Canal Zone. They have a new

granddaughter, Hillarie Lee Willson, born 25 Oct. in Bermuda.

One of our newest YLRL members, WB7AIX, Liz in Auburn, Washington, a school girl, was on Honey Bee Net Dec. 8. She said it was the first time she had put her rig on AM. She principally a CW operator.

Freda, K7PVG, just had a birthday and for a gift she was given a beautiful Datsun Hatchback car from her OM.

Jan, W7LXG, has a busy year planned. Visits to many historical areas on the east coast, attending conventions and last but not least, the YLRL convention in Houston.

As usual, Beth, W7NJS, leads an active life in and out of ham activities. She says no trip to Hawaii this year, but will probably be in Houston this summer.

Dottie, K7ESA, has been working for the same firm for 14 years. There has been illness in the family so hasn't had much of a chance to get on the low bands this past year. Her 2-meter activity is usually just to and from work and that is brief. Her activity in the Arizona repeater assn. is her only outside interest. She says she doesn't know what she'll be doing in the club next year after being secretary one year, treasurer two years, etc. Membership has gone from 100 members during her first year in office to 375.

Vi, W7EIU, hopes to be on the air before too long. We'll be looking for you, Vi!

Bea, W7HHH: "Last Oct. & Nov. two friends took me on a 2500 mile trip over the southwest. In Tuscon we visited Edith, W7LIZ, and in Thousand Oaks, Cal. visited Irma, K6KCI. While there, WA6QKC came over for a visit. For those who kept track of my recovery from the car accident, I walk around the house unassisted but use one or two crutches when I go out. By the way, the other day I received a 'Continuous Member Certificate' for 35 years. It is beautiful." Congratulations, Bea!

From Sandy, WB7YNQ, we have this bit from the local paper. Sandy's OM, Nat, works as a radio officer for a ship that makes runs from Alaska to California seven months out of the year. Until recently, they had to pay hundreds of dollars to communicate each year. With Nat usually in the radio room, the couple can reach each other any time now. Sandy is secretary of their Radio Club and a member of MINOWs. As she says, "I don't have time to just sit and talk on the radio all day, but it sure helps to know that Nat is just the turn of a dial away. It's almost like he is in the same room with me all day long." We know that amateur radio is a new way of life, lots of fun, but the service that it can perform is beyond all comprehension of the ordinary citizen without that ticket.

Thanks again to those who have sent me news. Since I can't cover all the frequencies and nets in operation, I need that kind of cooperation. I still run a few phone patches for various stations in the Pacific so manage to keep busy.

33, Gerry, K7YDO

Eight - Land

Rosalene, WB8DQX, District Chairman

Editor's note: Ruth, W8VWL, sent her news to me instead of the 8th D/C.

Ruth, W8VWL, and OM Joe, W8NCR, visited beautiful sunny Hawaii for a week last November when the weather wasn't too desirable in her home state of Ohio. She said she never saw such lovely flowers and the weather was ideal—between 70 and 75 degrees. Daughters Cindy and Donna had their weddings last year which means three married and one to go. Donna received her Novice license in September and was issued the call of WN8WDU—she hopes to make General soon.

A plea received from Jay, WA5ZZA, for 9th Region YLs (which includes Kentucky in 9RN) for assisting in handling traffic during the day time. Useable freq. 7250 KHZ (40 meters) daily at 1:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. CST. Side frequencies are 3940 KHZ (75 meters) and 14,318 KHZ (20 meters). If you would be interested in joining a daytime traffic net, please send me an SASE for a Xerox copy of the descriptive sheets (5) sent to me. My QTH is in the YLRL Directory. Three-band stations are desired, but one or two-band stations can be a great help as relay stations. Here's your chance to join a National Traffic Net and during the day. If you have a retired OM who operates during the day—maybe he would be interested—you could operate as a team.

I hope it's not too late to tell about Santa Claus. December 23, 1975, Santa talked with the children at Milwaukee Childrens Hospital, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, via 2-mtr fm repeater. Santa was at home and the roving microphone was in the hands of Marilyn, WB9MFC. The event received full TV coverage on channels 4, 6, and 12 plus radio station WRIT, and news photographers snapped pictures of happy children with warm, smiling faces.

Marilyn has taken on the job of QSL manager for 5Z4RG and 5Z4PG, husband and wife ISSB team of Nairobi, Kenya. Busy Marilyn has many goals two of which are working for 5-Band WAS and YL-WAS. On 4 January she worked Dot, K4AOH, completing her YL-WAS quest. She is also YLRL New Member Editor.

Dorothy, WN9RCY, and OM Wayne, WN9GCW, took in the Wheaton Hamfest Sunday February 8. There was a huge turn out. The Hadley School for the Blind had one of the best displays. I understand it has been an inspiration for some hams to review their time priorities with a view of joining hams who teach electronic theory and code to the students, plus keeping their stations in working order and a number of helping-hand things people can do.

Dorothy was happy to state OM Wayne took his General exam, passed it and is awaiting his General ticket. (Congratulations.) February 17 they flew to Hawaii for six weeks, three weeks on Maui and three on Oahu. She hopes to meet some licensed YLs and get the Hawaiian point of view on operating.

Margaret, WA9HLW, writes OM Homer, K9QJT, is home from the hospital. Having had half of his right lung removed and suffering four weeks of cobalt treatment. Pray with me now, that his road to recovery will be sure and smooth. Why not send him a card, even an Easter greeting. Margaret is listed in the directory.

This coming week, and being the YL-OM Contest again, I am prepared to get on the air. Would you believe the OM said, "Trouble, rotor isn't operable, something must be broken." Ah, yes, one would wonder if there were forces trying to keep me off the air if one were suspicious, but I plan to operate with the beam south-by-west. What a challenge! February 5 I happily reported in on Tangle Net, my turn to speak my piece. I was just getting started when I noticed the needle was not bouncing for audio peaks, then I noticed no power on. The desk light was on, but now what. The OM has been redesigning the operating position so anything could have gone out, so I turned to other work. Awhile later, the phone rang. It was a concerned Marte, KØEPE, wondering what happened. A relieved Marte said goodbye when she was assured I was all right and only the rig took me off the air. After hanging up, I sat thinking about the wonders of amateur radio and a love of a YL—Marte who would telephone long distance and ask "are you all right." I'd heard about such happenings, now I've experienced that warmth, concern.

May I wish you all a Happy Easter and may I hear from you. In this column no news is not good news.

33, Dori, W9VNG

Ten - Land

Glenda, WAØTNI, District Chairman

Glenda, WAØTNI, bowled in the state tournament on February 7 and 8. Her team made an average score, but won't know whether or not they won until in June. Glenda and family went to their first hamfest at Davenport on February 22, and had many eyeball QSOs.

Lovelle, WBØJFF, and OM went to a snowmobile festival at the Wisconsin Dells. There was a lot of snow and twelve snowmobiles went across the lake. One of the couples that went with them won a 10-speed bicycle.

Lois, WAØRWM, calls the North Dakota weather net each morning on 3996 at 7:30 CST.

Kay, WAØFSK, went to several amateur hamfests and picnics in Wisconsin last year. She is busy at work, now.

Virginia, KØGZO, spent the holidays in Albuquerque with her kids. This summer her grandson will stay with her, and when Babe Ruth of baseball is over, they are going to Canada.

33, Glenda, WAØTNI

KH6 - Land

Mary, KH6HPS, District Chairman

Editor's note: Mary, KH6HPS, wrote that her typewriter is being overhauled and that she has been unable to gather any information for this issue—no one has written any news to her and she hasn't talked with anyone. She said, "I don't like to keep writing about me and my activities. I know the gals would like to know about other KH6YLs. I'll be in Honolulu later this month, so I'll see if I can gather some news for the next issue." So, how about it, KH6-YLs! Write to Mary and let her know of your activities so that she can report it in the #3 issue.

VE - Land

Ebba, VE5DZ, District Chairman

Editor's note: Received a letter from Ebba, VE5DZ, stating that she was unable to have news and that she was sorry about it. She said, "I am still trying to get settled into my new home, which I find very hard." "It is very nice place, all new, but it sure isn't like home was. All friends and neighbors are so kind. Have had lots of company and phone calls, which all help to pass the time." "I have not got my equipment moved in as yet. Still have to find a place for it. I do not have all the space that I had at home. I've got to get used to lot smaller place, But I am planning of being back on the air this fall, if all goes well. They tell me I will have no problem putting up a beam, if I so wish, but at the moment I have no definite plans. Do hope I will have some news by the next deadline. Hope the gals send me some. I will be looking forward to hearing from you sometime whenever you find time. 33, Ebba, VE5DZ."

Notice: News from the Fifth and Eighth Districts did not arrive in time to be placed in proper sequence, but can be found on pages 24 and 25. The Fourth District News arrived even later and can be found on pages 27 and 28. A P.S. to two-land can be found on page 28. We still do not have a KL7 D/C. So, I am taking this opportunity to ask that someone, or more, write to me. If you can't think of anything to say about yourself or know news of another KL7-YL, write about your weather in Alaska or other interesting happenings.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

NEW MEMBERS AS OF 3/1/76

WA1CCJ Lynne Gleason, 5 Abbott Ave., Sharon, Mass. 02067
WN2BGE Jean Chittenden, RR #1, Box 2105, Syosset, N.Y. 11791
WN4LXI Rebecca G. Padgett, 2915-75 S.W. 13th St., Gainesville,
Florida 32608
WN4UMO Rebel Barfield, Star Route, Lake Helen, Fla. 32744
WB5MEU Terry Breeding, 2812 Judith St., Metairie, La. 70003
WN6LPI Candy Saas, 25162 Stockport St., Laguna Hills, Cal. 92653
WA6WFZ Susan Barker, 9748 Pinewood Ave., Tujunga, Ca. 91042
WA6WTZ Olivia Viveros Franklin, 2174 Footfill Dr., Vista, Ca. 92083
WB7AIX Liz Reimer, 29910 - 112th Ave., S.E. Auburn, Wash. 98002
WB8JTW Dorothy E. Long, 6630 Solon Blvd., Solon, Ohio 44139
WB8OWE Dorene C. Finer, 4840 Bantry Dr., W. Bloomfield, Mich. 48033
WB8PKF Betty L. LaFon, Rt. 6, Box 263, Charleston, W.Va. 25311
WB8THS Elaine Bonnough, 3601 Hill Ave. #109, Toledo, Ohio 43607
WB9NLP Lolo W. Maisel, 964 Marion Ave., Highland Park, Ill. 60035
WB0DUV Darla P. Richardson, 1184 W. 101st Ave., Northglenn, Co. 80221
WN0PVX Ruthann Stephenson, 112 Sparks, Apt. 3, Warrenburg, Mo. 64093
WN0QLC Rose King, 8900 Mission, Leawood, Kansas 66296
VE3GJX Patricia Mac Donald, Box 38, Mountain, Ontario KOE ISO
DK5RU Uschi Hegendorfer, Kornigsfeldstr. 1, 8401 Altegledsheim,
West Germany
G5BWK Bella Kahn, 12 Cliffdale Dr., Manchester Lancs. England
524PG Phyllis Greenwood, P.O. Box 44295, Nairobi Kenys, East Africa

REINSTATES AS OF 3/1/76

W7ULK Rosella L. Hansen, 609 2nd, Chency, Wash. 99004
K8TYK/4 Patricia Pennock, Rt. 1 Box 179, Macon, Ga. 31204
WB9JIO Susan Dorris, Route #3, West Frankfort, Ill. 62896
WA0RWM Lois A. Jorgensen, Box 213, Abercrombie, North Dakota 48001

CHANGES

WLGY5 new address: 147 High St., P.O. Box 292, Belfast, Maine 04915
K1T2T new address: 30 Summer St., Northhampton, Mass. 01060 & Bebo
K2OIW new address: 1264 White St., Hillside, N.J. 07205
K2RUE new address: 228 Berlin St., Rochester, N.Y. 14621
WN3ZST now WA3ZST - upgrade to General, also new name and address
Nancy Steffee, 7929 Bingham St., Phila., Pa. 19111
WA3SRY new address: 11600 Kelley Ave., Lutherville, Md. 21093
WA4FAL listed incorrectly as WA2FAL - Patty Ann Terrie
WN4FUA now WA4FUA - upgrade to Technician
K4KUU new address: 39 East 59th St., Jacksonville, Fla. 32208
W5AFM new address: Route #1 - 801 Grand Comanche, Tex. 76442
WN8WBS now WB8WBS - upgrade to General
WB9FJB/4 now WB4FHA, Joyce Waites, 8644 Valley Brook Dr..
Raleigh, N.C. 27612
WA2NLS/5 new name & address: Harriet Mays, 430 Hwy 332, Apt. 21,
Lake Jackson, Tx. 77566
WA6EJP upgrade to General
WA6IIG new address: Star Route, Bradley, Calif. 93426
W7LWQ new address: P.O. Box 331, Pearce, Ariz. 85625
WA8DWL new address: 235 Oakdale Court, W. Jefferson, O. 43162
W0PCD new address: Rt. 3, Box 203-B2, Durango, Co. 81301
VE1AKO add P.O. Code: Box 47, Cleveland, Nova Scotia BOE IJO
KL7AIS new address: Box 296, U.S.C.G., FPO Seattle Wash. 98790

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WB4IAJ Clare Green, 439 Arballo Dr., San Francisco, Calif. 94132
Char Barkley, 9720 Kingsbridge Dr. #303, Fairfax, Va., 22030

YOUNG LADIES' RADIO LEAGUE, INC.

CASH RECEIPTS and DISBURSEMENTS

January 1, 1975 - January 15, 1976

CHECKING ACCOUNT

January 1, 1975 - Balance in Chase Manhattan Bank.....	\$ 347.14
Add Deposits during period:	
Savings Account....(1).....	\$3069.78
Dues.....	3935.31
Directory Donations & Sales.....	698.84
Sales of Supplies.....	88.20
Postage donated.....	37.75
Base Deposit returned.....	<u>25.00</u>
	<u>7854.88</u>
Total Available.....	\$8202.02

Deduct Disbursements for period:

Transfers to Savings Accounts..(2).....	\$1489.00
YL Harmonics Printing.....	1645.45
YL Harmonics Postage.....	388.73
Directory Printing.....	1242.83
Directory Postage.....	258.02
Supplies.....	291.07
General Postage.....	147.53
Certificates.....	101.06
Base Deposits.....	75.00
Miscellaneous Items (bank charges, etc.)....	52.87
Dues refunded.....	<u>15.50</u>
	<u>5707.06</u>

January 15, 1976 - Balance in Chase Manhattan Bank.....\$2494.96

- (1) Includes \$44.13 sent by W6YKU as interest earned on moneys deposited in Calif. before sent to New York.
 (2) Includes \$400.00 transferred 12/31/74 as of Jan. 1, 1975.
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SAVINGS ACCOUNT - Chase Manhattan Bank

January 1, 1975 - Balance... (1).....	\$1470.98
Add transfers from checking account.....	1489.00
Interest.....	65.67
	<u>\$3025.65</u>
Deduct transfers to checking account.....	<u>3025.65</u>
	<u>\$0000.00</u>

Account closed December 31, 1975.

- (1) Includes \$400.00 transferred 12/31/74 as of January 2, 1975.

Respectfully submitted,
Madeline Greenberg, W2EEO
Disbursing Treasurer

Congratulations

CONGRATULATIONS to these YLs who upgraded their licenses:

Extra Class: Lori, W4VQZ.

Advanced Class: Kate, WA2MIO; Gail, WN3YEQ; Nesta, WB4PXN; Glennie, WA7GFN; Joyce, K7RRS; and Rose, WB8DQX.

General Class: Julie, WA1SUU; Nancy Jane, WN3ZST, and Mary, WA6EJP.

Technician Class: Rebecca, WN3ZUE.



Certificates

YLCC REPORT

September 15, 1975 - February 15, 1975
Onie Woodward, Custodian

CERTIFICATES

DJ5UAC Ella Crindel
JA3AEV Toshio Yai
WB9BGJ Sus Musashi
HB9MX Kurt Bindschedler

STICKERS

K4RNS Marge Campbell (1) - 1000
DJ2UU Hansgeorg Baehr (1) - 500
WB9BGJ Sus Musashi (2) - 200

DX - YL CERTIFICATE

The following have been issued since January 1, 1975
Emma B. Berg, WØJUV, Custodian

CERTIFICATES:

#168 I3MQ, Ada Ricchetti Garibaldi
#169 F5RC, Renee Chassard
#170 DK5TT, Margot Semkat
#171 PY1FL, Therezinha Felix Cardoso
#172 WA2DMK, Ione O'Donnell
#173 WB9MFC, Marilyn Lassanske

STICKERS:

W8TEO Ruby McMillen (1) - 6
WB4NKO Jo Frances Melton (1) - 2
WB4NXR Clara B. Stables (2) - 2
WB4NDX Sally G. Sliger (2) - 2
DJ1TE Christa Elksnat (3) - 4
WB4NXR Clara B. Stables (1) - 3
PY1FL T. F. Cardoso (2) - 2

From "HR REPORT"

10 METER REPEATERS will now be permitted according to an Order just released by the FCC. Inputs and outputs for in-band ten meter machines must lie between 29.5 and 29.7 MHz, and cross banding to ten meters will be quite tricky since the rule change does specifically prohibit repeating the transmissions of an Amateur not authorized to operate on the 28 MHz band.

ARRL WILL ASK FCC for a 60 day extension of the Comment period for Docket 20686, which would delete requirements that Amateurs sign "portable" or "mobile" when operating away from their licensed premises. A number of ARRL members have expressed objections to the proposal, and the League staff wants more time to consider its effects on award and contest rules.

AMATEUR EXTRA CLASS licensees who wish to have the Extra Class certificate should make a written request to the FCC Field Office at which they took the examination. Requests must include a photocopy of the Extra Class license -- any requests that go to Washington or Gettysburg will be returned without action.

BY1PK IS REPORTED to be a legitimate, licensed station by a recent Far East visitor. The Peking club station is rarely on, uses only 7MHz CW, and works only Communist Block stations. A few QSL cards are also supposed to have been distributed.

RADIO SOCIETY OF SWAZILAND has recently been formed and is operating a QSL bureau: mail address Box 21, Ezulwini, Swaziland.

CYPRUS QSL BUREAU'S new address is Box 1267, Limassol, Cyprus.

AUSTRIAN AMATEURS will be permitted use of special prefixes starting April 1 to celebrate 50 years of Amateur Radio in that nation. Look for regular call with "50/" inserted after "OE," as OE5ø/1XX or OE5ø/2WW for OE1XX or OE2WW respectively.

DXPEDITION - SABLE ISLAND VX9A - ST. PAUL ISLAND VY0A
by Truus, VE3IAA

This DX-pedition started like most others by the operating group just sitting around and talking. Martin VE3MR, Mort VE3MJ and Jack VE3GMT, all had past DX-pedition experiences and only myself was the real novice in the group. Hopes for one new country let alone two seemed pretty remote in those early months of 1974. Several islands on both east and west coasts and the Canadian north were discussed.

In June of 1974 Jack VE3GMT went to Halifax on business. While there he inquired at some of the local, federal government offices to see what could be found out about Sable Island. Finally he was directed to the right office and met with a high official who was in charge of Sable Island and had full knowledge of it.

The Administrator of Sable Island explained to Jack that by an Act of the Canadian Parliament, known as the Canadian Shipping Act, the federal Department of Transport was empowered to administer and govern Sable Island. We felt that this would give the island "new country status" under Criteria Point 1 of the A.R.R.L. standards for new countries.

Mort VE3MJ then decided to do further research into this Act, where he came across more details and the fact that St. Paul Island was also included in this Act. Upon checking maps it was found that Sable Island was about 150 miles south east off the coast of the Province of Nova Scotia and St. Paul Island was about 25 miles north west off the coast of Cape Breton Island. If Sable would be approved by the A.R.R.L. then Cape Breton Island would be considered a foreign land mass and St. Paul should then count as a second new country, Criteria number three. All necessary documentation was submitted to A.R.R.L., who confirmed that both islands met their criteria and that as soon as any operations were to take place they would be accepted as new countries on their list.

Once this approval was received in writing plans were then formulated by the group to proceed with the DX-pedition. Timing was an important factor as weather conditions at both locations made them less accessible at certain times of the year. It was mutually decided that the October weekend of the CQ World Wide DX Contest would be an ideal time for giving out the maximum number of contacts in a short period of time. All our plans were then geared for this date.

The selection of the equipment and all the other many accessories was planned very carefully. This equipment was field tested at our homes many weeks before it was made ready for shipment. The beams were partially assembled, measured and marked off along with the dipoles to save assembly time on the islands. After all the pre-testing was completed the gear was packed and forwarded ten days ahead of time to the chartered aircraft company that would eventually take us to Sable Island. The group decided that this had to be a unique DX-pedition since it would probably be the first and last time that Canada would have two new countries made available. At the same time the Department of Communications was most co-operative and assigned special prefixes and one letter suffixes, history making and indeed very gratifying to the operators.

The long awaited day arrived and the chartered aircraft flew our group and equipment to Sable Island.

Sable Island is about 25 miles long, a mile wide at it's greatest point, and being all sand it is 13 feet above average sea level with the highest point being 85 feet. The island has a unique recorded history going back about 350 years and has a world wide reputation of being the grave yard of the Atlantic with over 136 recorded ship wrecks on file. At the present time there are no permanent residents except the 250 or more of the famous wild Sable Island ponies. The Canadian government does maintain a high altitude weather station, two light towers and one

radio beacon. These are maintained by a rotating staff of about twelve people.

Since there is no landing strip on the island the plane has to land on the beach, provided the area selected is smooth and fairly dry. Upon arrival our group and gear was moved by tractor, which is the only means of motorized transportation, to a vacant quonset building of WW II vintage where the three stations and the antennas were set up. This was a more strenuous job than anticipated, under extremely good weather conditions and we had very little time to spare before the 0000 GMT contest starting time. It was not the group's plan to set any record in the contest but merely hand out as many QSOs as possible. It was also our intention to stay four to five days, but unfortunately, due to bad weather conditions that followed, the plane was not able to land until eleven days later. Because of the soft beach conditions and our initial equipment load of near 1000 lbs we were forced to leave some gear on the island for delivery to Toronto at a later date.

We flew from Sable to Sydney, Nova Scotia and upon our arrival we had a discussion as to whether to carry on or abandon the balance of the trip, as two of the operators had business commitments and we had figured the complete trip covering both islands would take no more than ten days. However, once again the true amateur spirit won out and it was decided to carry on. After a four hour drive up the rugged coast of Cape Breton Island, in a rented truck, we arrived at the small fishing village of Dingwall. After a good meal and a good night's sleep we were ready to take the boat trip to St. Paul Island which was about 25 miles away. St. Paul Island is actually two islands, a large uninhabited island with a narrow sea channel of approximately 200 feet separating it from the north lighthouse island. This smaller island is a few acres of very rugged granite, quartz and mica rock formations. It rises very steeply out of the water to a height of about 450 feet above sea level. It has some scrub grass between the rocks but no other vegetation. A Government of Canada department uses it for a shipping light beacon because of its strategic location in the Cabot Straits between Newfoundland and Nova Scotia. There are three houses on this island for the lighthouse keeper and his assistant, and fortunately one of these locations was available for our stations to be set-up in. The transfer of the gear and the operators from the fishing boat to the island was made by a small dingy and necessitated many trips to get all ashore. The boat ride from the mainland took over three hours in 20 foot seas. This transfer and the very steep climb to get the gear to the shack was very strenuous and left us all exhausted before anything could be set-up. With each hour the weather conditions worsened and only one beam was erected in a somewhat protected area close to the house, along with other dipoles for 160, 80 and 40 meters. The operation commenced six hours after the initial landing. On the next day the second beam was erected which was no mean feat as the winds were now gusting up to 60 knots and the salt spray was being blown over the entire island. Miraculously the beams and the dipoles stayed up for the duration of the stay which was to be from Tuesday until the following Saturday. With the groups past experience on Sable, it was an inner feeling that when the Friday weather turned sunny for the first time, we decided to request the boat for the return trip that very same day. It was indeed a good decision for we later learned, that Friday evening the weather became very bad and continued this way for another ten days and we would have been marooned again. It was by sheer coincidence that just prior to our departure the Administrator of the island arrived via helicopter. Since Martin was quite sick going over, permission was requested and given for two people to leave for the mainland by helicopter. So needless to say, Martin and I took this opportunity while Mort and Jack took the boat trip which turned out to be even worse on the return voyage.

This DX-pedition is of course, now all past history. Because of the Canada-wide postal strike, incoming QSL's did not start arriving until mid December. At this time of writing the cards have filled over three large green garbage bags. A very distinctive QSL card has been designed for both locations and should be very much appreciated by all recipients. All four operators were very highly satisfied with the FT-101E's which were used. They worked continuously for many hundreds of hours with absolutely no problems. A quick run down of our contacts were as follows. Sable Island, 11,298 SSB QSO's plus 59 SSTV QSO's. 5430 were made during the contest and the balance thereafter. Our contest score was approximately 3.3 million points. From St. Paul 5073 contacts were made under poorer band conditions.

Now that the A.R.R.L. has received all the official documents confirming our various permissions to operate and land on the islands, as well as documented proof that we were indeed there, VX9A and VY9A cards are being accepted for DXCC credit effective February 1st, 1976.

At this time of writing the cards have not been printed as yet but they are expected momentarily. All incoming QSL's received will be replied to directly and after a six month period all outstanding QSL's will go via the bureaus. All logged contacts are being QSL'd.

I must personally say that in my seven years of Amateur Radio, all but the last six months as PA0PHO, this has to be the most exciting period and it is very difficult to put my true feelings into words. It is the type of experience that can only be described as a once in a lifetime opportunity, that can never be repeated.

73's & 88's, Truus, VE3IAA

Editor's note: Truss said, "This story written by me has been translated into Dutch and will appear in the next issue of Electron, which is the official publication of Veron, the Dutch version of A.R.R.L."

Fifth District News by Myrtle, WB5FGM

Jay, WA5ZZA: Too late for the last Harmonics. There is a great need for more YLs in message traffic work and nets. If you have the time and are interested, perhaps you could join the net members on Day-time RN5. Station manager of RN5D is Jerry Connaway, W5KLV, 110 Rosemont Dr., San Antonio, Texas 78228. Any help you can give will be appreciated.

Ann, WA5GLM: Thanks for nice letter with all the news about the Brownwood ARC. Grace, W5AFM, at Comanche, and OM, W5PEX, arranged a dinner meeting at the Proctor Country Club hoping to make "ham club meetings" more attractive to non-ham spouses (Ann's quote "spice"). Sue, WA5UGQ, had major surgery with complications. She was released from ICU Feb. 6. Sure hope your convalescence is speedy, Sue, and you are back running again soon. Ann, WA5GLM, says she is trying to stay out of trouble. Only on 2 meters presently, no room for ham gear in the mobile home, hoping to build a new home within the next year, and getting back on all bands. Meanwhile, they are enjoying all the wild life. She is NCS for the new 2-meter net which meets through the Brownwood repeater twice a month. The net meets at 7:30 P. M. on 1st and 3rd Thursday. Invitations are open for anyone who can hit the Brownwood repeater 146.34 - 146.94.

Annie, K5JKV: Congrats for three generations of "HAMS." Grandchildren are 15 year old Mike, WN5RFR, and 11 year old Lisa, WN5FRS. Good luck, youngsters! We hope to see Lisa here with us.

Frances, WA5MPM: Om Richard had a heart attack early February. He is home now and improving. Our best wishes to Richard. Frances and Annie are still working hard to get all the plans completed for the CONVENTION. By the way, did you see their picture in QST?

Terry, WB5MEU, is excited about receiving long-awaited membership card. She got into YLRL by accident. Just tuning around on 20 meters and heard someone asking for check-ins. She received an unbelievable welcome and was "hooked." She and OM Dave, WB5LBN, are both active in Civil Defense. They have two sons who are just starting on their code. Both are still in grammar school.

Barbara, WB5GAH: The Alamo YLs (Alamo Ladies Amateur Microphone Organization) of San Antonio would like to invite you to an active round table on Monday mornings at 11:00 A.M. CDT. The frequency is 7.295 Khz. They also offer a certificate. It only requires working three Alamo YLs. They invite you to their next luncheon and informal business meeting. It will be held at Wyats Cafeteria on Loop 410 next to Broadway National Bank. May 8, 1976, at 12:00 noon. The Alamo YLs are going to participate in Field Day.

Myrtle, WB5FGM: OM Ed, WB5FGN, retired December 31, 1975, and I went back to work part time Jan. 2, 1976. I promised to take him for "better or worse, but not all day and for lunch." Hi. I am enjoying him being home and we have lots of plans. Some home remodeling first.

SILENT KEY: Sorry to report that Gladys McCrary, W5FSR, expired on January 21, 1976. Our heartfelt sympathy to OM Ed, W5HPH, and her family.

Eighth District News by Rosalene, WB8DQX

Well, here we go again. It seems like ages between times when we are waiting for our copies of YL Harmonics, but time sure flies when you are trying to write a column.

Joan, WB8RSM, in Cleveland, is now an Advanced class license. Also reports she was Mrs. Santa—her OM, WB8OZA, was Santa himself on two meters to hospitalized children at the Metropolitan General Hospital.

Heard via Beth, W7NJS, that Ruby, W8IEO, and OM are spending the winter on South Padre Island, Texas. Ruby doesn't miss the snow in Ohio, but sure misses her ham rig. She says hello to all the gals and will be back in Ohio in April or May.

Kate, W8EIR, is all settled now in the old neighborhood in Lansing, Michigan.

Dorothy, WB8FRJ, is secretary of South Eastern Michigan Amateur Radio Association.

Real nice hearing from all you gals, let's hear from more of you.

Now a list from W. Va. Opal, K8LSN, and Rose, WB8DQX, aided the fellows and Civil Air Patrol with 2-meter communication via the Parsons Repeater WR8AGU with the rescue of a downed Natural Resources plane in the rugged mountains of Tucker Co.

Vivian, W8OKG, is teaching CW and OM Jack is teaching theory classes being held near St. Albans.

Joyce, formerly WB8NWT, is now KL7IZK at Box 408, Wrangell, Alaska 99929. She keeps telling us weather is warmer there than in W. Va.

Dorothy, WB8LAI, is now a life member of ARRL, thanks to Valentine gift from OM Don, W8JM.

Opal, K8LSN, is secretary of newly formed Stonewall Jackson Amateur Radio Association.

Judy, K8AVP, is activities chairwoman and already planning big things for Field Day. Rose, WB8DQX, is on the advisory board. "Hope we YLs can assist the fellows in keeping this new club in existence for a long time to come."

Ruth, K8ARA, is convalescing in a wheelchair from a broken ankle. Hope she will be up and around again soon.

Looks like it for this time. All you 8-land gals send me some news.

In the Fall of 1975 the Director of the South Western Pacific Division, W6KW, appointed Lenore Kingston Jensen, W6NAZ, to the post of Public Relations Assistant for Radio and Television. Lenore is well qualified for the new appointment since she has hundreds of credits as an actress in Radio and Television, going back to the "Soap Opera" days. She is extremely active in Amateur Radio, being perhaps the MARS operator with the highest number of phone patches. For many years she was the voice of Amateur Radio from the famed Hollywood USO, and is married to Bob Jensen, W6VGG, recently retired from the earliest days of the networks television efforts in Hollywood.

After being appointed to the PR post Lenore learned to her dismay that the job facing her was enormous! The Television industry is an extremely large and complex one, having many facets for her attention. The radio industry here in Southern California area alone is enough to boggle the mind, and on top of this, she learned that she would necessarily have to include the newspaper publicity in her assignment in order to do an adequate job. After talking to many people in different fields, Lenore decided to ask the Los Angeles Area Council of Amateur Radio Clubs for help. There she found a few willing amateurs and after a couple of meetings found that by urging each club in the Council to appoint a PR chairman and to let her know if there was any type of activity going on that would be good PR, she was able to start a weekly net to act as a clearing house for items of interest and also began to get qualified people involved in PR work for Amateur Radio.

At this time she is putting together a series of Public Service Announcements for Amateur Radio and has secured the help of that wonderful actor, Dick Van Dyke. The process for qualifying for Public Service announcements is a tricky one, and Lenore has learned the ways and has managed to get in on this really easy way to let our hobby be known for what it really is. I won't try to list all the amateurs and others who have helped Lenore in her efforts, which are really just now getting underway. We have lots of work to do but there are many amateurs in and out of the entertainment industry who are working on the problems with her and we know with her leadership Public Relations for Amateur Radio are going to be better than ever before.

Reprinted de the ARNS (Amateur Radio News Service). Ed. note: Lenore, W6NAZ, is one of the founders of the YLRU, and she is a Life Member of YLRU.



AMATEUR EXTRA CLASS LICENSE - Amendment To Simplify Eligibility

1. The Commission intends by this Order to simplify the eligibility requirement for the Amateur Extra Class license. We are deleting that part of 97.9(a) of the Commission's Rules requiring that each applicant for that license must have held a license for at least 1 year previously.

4. We believe that the elimination of the "prior experience" requirement is justified and will further the Commission's continuing efforts to deregulate the Amateur Radio Service. Therefore, for the reasons cited in the preceding paragraphs we are deleting all of 97.9(a) except that part stating that an Amateur Extra Class license is available to anyone except a representative of a foreign government.

"2nd REGGIO CALABRIA SPRING AWARD"

R U L E S

1. The award runs from 00,0 GMT April 3 to 2400 GMT April 18, 1976, one point will be awarded to any station making contact with or listening to a ham radio station of Reggio Calabria or its province. This contact can be made on any and in any mode.
2. The same station may be contacted (listened) to either on the same day but on different bands or on the same band but on different days.
3. In order to obtain the Reggio Calabria spring diploma, only ten points are required. Points beyond ten will be counted toward the general classification which is described in article 5.
4. Contact with or hearing a (Jolly station) counts for five points. These (Jolly station) have no set operating schedules, and similar to other stations may be contacted (or heard) more than once as described above.

5. **GENERAL CLASSIFICATION:** There will be three Radio Amateur classifications according to the geographical location of the amateur and one classification for short-wave listerns as follows:

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| A - Class - Italian HAM | C - Class - Non European HAM |
| B - Class - European HAM | D - Class - Italian and foreign SWL |

The prizes which consist of cups, plaques, pictures, medals etc. will be awarded according to the rules of the organizing committee and based on the total points obtained.

6. The application, together with a log summary, claiming score 15 I.R.C. (4 Dollars) and a QSL for each call sign contacted must be sent to:

Award Manager 18 SXF
c/o A.R.I. Section - P.o.B. 120
89100 Reggio Calabria (Italy)

entries must be received no later than May 31, 1976, in order to qualify.

7. The decision of the organizing committee will be final.

Fourth District News by Nancy, WB4NTW

Greetings from all of us in the Fourth call area where, at present, warm days and cool nights are the rule.

Congratulations are in order for WA4BVD, Carrie, who received a certificate of appreciation from YLRL for her fine work as YL Harmonics Editor (Ed. note: Certificate reads "Editor, outstanding directory issue of YL Harmonics 1975"). The Georgia Peaches is Carrie's YLRL Affiliate Club and K4ZZS, Marguerite, represented the Georgia Peaches and YLRL presenting the certificate Monday, February 16 (Ed. note: the certificate was presented Wednesday, Feb. 18, 1976). Pictures were taken.

YLRL extends deepest sympathy to WA4EPM, Edna, and her OM, Tommy, upon the passing of Tommy's mother in January.

We also extend deepest sympathy to K4KUU, Maxine, upon the death of her father, K7JVK, in February.

We had the privilege of a short QSO with Dot, K4AOH, and Hilda, W4HWR, a couple of weeks ago. We were sad to learn that Hilda had spent some time in the hospital. Dot had happier news to relate. She and her OM, Don, are planning a trip to the midwest to visit their son who is in service with the Air Force. Have fun, Dot!

The team of Ernie, W4KOH, and her OM Phil, W4BCZ, members of the Country Cousins, southern section, should receive a big "thank you" for a job well done. Phil witnessed an accident in which a school bus and a large truck collided. Phil contacted Ernie on two meters and Ernie contacted an amateur in Avon Park who broadcasted a request for help on his commercial station. In all, there were thirty-five persons killed and injured, but for the presence of Amateur Radio, there might have been many more. These Country Cousins lived up to our motto, "Service and help to all Mankind; when in need, call a Country Cousin."

Our thanks to Meg, K4HSC, who supplied information on the accident at Lake Placid. Meg has had her hands full with a neighbor who complained about TVI, but after Meg's demonstration in which she showed that her TV (not more than three feet from her rig) worked perfectly even though she was transmitting with a power of 180 watts P.E.P., the neighbor started looking elsewhere for the offending transmitter.

K4RHU, Jeannie, is recuperating from surgery in Doctor's Hospital in Columbus, Ga. She is keeping in touch with her friends in her local radio club through the local repeater and her two meter rig with an in-door antenna. Get well soon, Jeannie; you are truly missed by the Georgia Peaches.

At this writing, Marguerite, K4ZZS, is on her way to Disney Land. We are looking forward to hearing about that trip.

W44QJG, Betty, has two firsts to report. She is the first YL to be elected Vice President of the Amateur Radio Club of Savannah, and the first YL to be elected Treasurer of our repeater association. Congratulations, Betty, we think that the clubs chose wisely.

WB4NTW and W44QJG played hostess to a family stranded in Savannah February 5, 6, 7, and 8, while the father, WB4TRI - Ed Farmer, underwent surgery in a local hospital. Ed was in transect from Tampa to Raleigh with his daughter and son to visit with the daughter. When nearing Savannah, he became ill and checked into a local hospital. The news of his illness was relayed to the Florida Midday Traffic Net and since WB4NTW was there as a relay station, she was asked to call the hospital and report back to the net. A call to the hospital revealed that surgery was planned and a report was made back to the net. Because the family was planning to return to Raleigh and it was thought that Ed would have to remain in the hospital here for about a month, we started contacting club members here who would relay traffic, visit Ed, and perform other good deeds as though he were a member of our club.

Messages from the family to other family members in North Carolina were handled by WB4NTW and an OM, W44EJA, President of the A.R.C.S.

After his surgery, Ed's condition worsened and at this point, Betty, W44QJG, visited his son and daughter offering them the hospitality of her home. In the days to follow, Betty was always as close as the phone and she contacted our club Chaplain, WB4IGS, who visited in the hospital.

It is our sad duty to report that WB4TRI became a silent key February 8, but his children are comforted by the fact that although this sad occurrence happened so far from home, they were not strangers to our club and were never alone.

To see your news in print, write me before the twentieth of April, August, and October. In addition, if you have taken part in activities of a public service nature, tell us all about it.

From all of us to all of you, a big thirty-three. Nancy, WB4NTW.

A P.S. to the SECOND DISTRICT by Roberta, WB2BHS

W42GPT, Bea, is recovering nicely after surgery on her "hammy" head. She wishes to thank the many gals and guys who sent cards and wishes. Cards were received from the U. S., Canada, Bermuda, the Canal Zone, and from England too! Her trip to Florida is off for this year.



1975 YLRL DIRECTORY

This directory is especially desirable for it contains the history of the Young Ladies' Radio League from its inception, and down through the years, until, and including, 1975.

Some of the features are: A listing of the various YLRL awards (including pictures); YLRL contest information; the Constitution, By-laws and Procedure Policy; a list of the various YL Nets around the country; and a membership listing that includes a personal thumbnail sketch on most members.

The Directory issue of YL Harmonics is the most complete that YLRL has printed in quite sometime.

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Cochran, Georgia 31014

APPLICATION FORMS

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Information for Tapes

Anyone desiring information about the "Tape Topics" program, please write to Raj Cauthers, K7NZO, 2310 Sleater Kinney Ave., S.E., Lacey, Washington 98503; or to Jeannie Hunting, K4RHU, 2701 Peabody Avenue, Columbus Georgia 31904.

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