

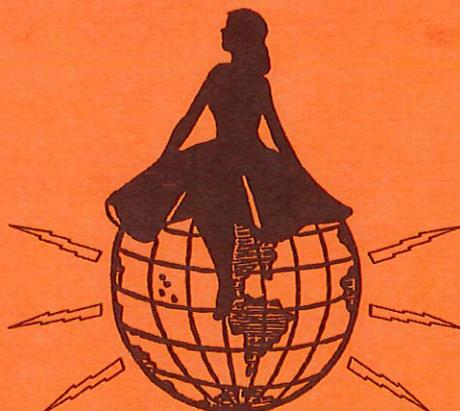
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From the President's Desk

In Montana we have two seasons; winter and family and friends. I love them all, but it keeps me very busy what with the garden and yard.

I recently received the Scholarship Certificates to sign and mail on to the recipients; **Rebecca Sakarias, KL7RC** of Juneau, Alaska and **Rebecca Polewczak, N2LPW** from Ganesvoort, NY. These annual awards are the legacy of **Ethel Smith, K4LMB** our founder, and **Mary Lou Brown NM7N**, Past President of YLRL. **Marte, KOEPE** works very hard managing the funds and raising money so we can continue this wonderful program. FAR handles the applications and the selection of recipients. It gave me a wonderful feeling to have to opportunity to be a part of this program.

In the last issue, there was a slate of the candidates. The ballot for you to vote was absent. You will find it in this issue...please take the time to make your wishes know and send it in.

Nan Forney KC7LZE has been ill, and **Nancy, KC4IYD** has picked up her responsibilities in the interim. I really appreciate this...there's only so much I can do.

I presented two proposals to the Board last month, and they both were approved. The first was to eliminate the "Meet the Novice and Technicians Day" contest held in January, because there has been NO interest for several years. The second one was to adopt and sponsor the "Grandmother's" certificate (see page 12 for details) which has not been affiliated with YLRL, but most if not all the holders are YLRL members.

33's Carol Hall, WD8DQG/7

THE DIRECTORY ISSUE IS COMING!!!

The Sept/Oct 2001 issue of *YL Harmonics* will be the directory issue. Look at the address label on the back of this issue and if any of the information is incorrect, email the corrections to the Database Manager, Barb KC7KQI at byasson@pacifier.net. In addition, look over the last directory issue (the green covered 1999-2000 edition) and again, if any of your information is incorrect in that issue or if you've recently changed your email address, phone number, etc, send, call or email the changes to Barb.

Submit all changes/corrections to Barb by Sept. 15.



MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS
 ETHEL SMITH, K4LMB
 MARY LOU BROWN, NM7N
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Memory of:

There was no memorial gifts this time.

From:

Thank you to the SAYLARC (Second Area Young Ladies Amateur Radio Club) for your generous donation to the scholarship fund. Thanks also to DX YL, JR6XIX, Nobuko Uchiyama for her donation to scholarship fund.

Bank Balance as of July 7, 2001:	Money Market:	\$17,530.32
	CD	43,923.73
	Total	\$61,454.05

On August 16, 2001 check #1004 (Bank of America) for the amount of \$3000.00 was sent to the Foundation for Amateur Radio.

YLRL Memorial Scholarships-K4LMB-Ethel Smith	\$1500.00
NM7N-Mary Lou Brown	1,500.00

Balance in MM	\$14,548.14
CD	\$44,091.75
Total balance	\$58,639.75

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40 year certificates

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Howdy Days Contest

CW & SSB: 1400 UTC, September 14, 2001 to 0200 UTC, September 16, 2001

ELIGIBILITY: All licensed women operators throughout the world are invited to participate.

PROCEDURE: Call "CQ YL."

OPERATION: All bands and modes of emission may be used. A station may be worked and counted once on each band and mode for QSO points. The maximum power output that may be used at any time during the contest is 750 watts on CW and 1500 watts PEP on SSB. Participants may work only 24 hours of the 36 hours in each contest. Operating breaks must be indicated in the log.

EXCHANGE: YLRL member or non-YLRL member? Entries in log must also show date, time, band, call or station worked.

SCORING: Score two points for each YLRL member worked and one point for each non-YLRL member worked. There are no multipliers.

LOGS: All logs must show if operator is a YLRL member or non-member to be eligible for awards.

AWARDS: Top scoring YLRL member will receive her choice of a YLRL pin, charm, or stationery. Top scoring non-YLRL member will receive a one-year YLRL membership.

NOTE: All digital mode contacts count as CW, this includes RTTY, PACTOR, AMTOR, PSK31, etc.

JLRS Party

September 29, at 0300 UTC through September 30 at 0300 UTC.

Send your logs to **Aiko Yamamoto, JO7EBH**, 2-26-5 Kunimigaola, Aobaku Sendai City 989-3201, Japan.

YL Contest Corner

DXYL -NAYL Contest Results

Phyllis Shanks W2GLB/7

Only 2 logs were received for the DX-YL to NA-YL Contest.

N2EVZ, Nancy Fontana - 6 Contacts (1 Russia, 5 Germany), no award issued. N0WBV, Cheryl Muhr from Colorado worked one California station, no pts.

Editor's note: We have the Howdy Days contest in Sept. and YL-AP in Oct. I have marked both on my calendar and plan to work them. I want everyone reading this to mark their calendars right now. Even if you only can get on for an hour, get on the air, call CQ and then submit your log. I'll be listening for you and calling CQ also. We each need to do our part to make these YLRL contests a success. Why not invite some YLs who do not have low band privileges to your shack to help you operate? It's a great way to work a contest and its a lot of fun.

YL Anniversary Party (YL-AP)

CW: 1400 UTC, October 10, 2001 to 0200 UTC, October 12, 2001

SSB: 1400 UTC, October 24, 2001, to 0200 UTC, October 26, 2001

ELIGIBILITY: All licensed women operators throughout the world are invited to participate. Only YLRL members are eligible for the cup awards. Non-members will receive certificates. Only YLRL members are eligible for the Corcoran and Hager awards.

PROCEDURE: Call "CQ-YL".

OPERATION: All bands may be used. No cross band operation. Net contacts and repeater contacts do not count. A station may be worked and counted once on each band. Participants may work only 24 hours of the 36 hours in each contest. Operating breaks must be indicated in the log.

EXCHANGE: Station worked, QSO number, RS(T), and ARRL section/VE province/country.

SCORING: (1) CW and SSB are scored as separate contests. Submit separate logs for each contest. (2) All YLs within one of the U.S. ARRL sections or within a Canadian province shall score one point for each QSO with another station located within a section or province. Score two points for each contact with a station not located within an ARRL section or province, i.e., DX. (DX stations are defined as those not located within an ARRL section or province.) (3) DX YLs shall score two points for each contact with a station on another continent and one point for each contact with a station on their own continent. (4) Multiply the number of contact points by the total number of different sections, provinces and countries worked.

LOGS: All logs must show the operator's ARRL section/VE province/or country to qualify for awards. Logs must also state whether or not the operator is a member of YLRL. For each QSO, logs must show the station worked, time, band, and date. Logs must also state the power output used. If you have 200 or more QSOs, submit a separate log for each band and submit a "dupe" sheet. Remember to file separate logs for each contest. Logs must show claimed score.

AWARDS: For the YLAP, cups will be awarded for both the NA-YL and the DX-YL with the highest CW scores and for the highest SSB scores. Only YLRL members are eligible to receive cups. If the winner of either contest is a non-YLRL member a first place certificate will be awarded. If a YL does not wish to receive a cup a first place certificate may be awarded. Second and third certificates will be awarded for each contest. The highest CW and the highest SSB score in each district, province and country will receive a certificate. Certificates will be awarded only if there are at least 10 valid contacts on the log.

CORCORAN AWARD: a plaque given for the highest combined CW and SSB score for YLRL members within a state or province

HAGER AWARD: A plaque given for the highest combined CW and SSB score from North and Central America, including the Greater and Lesser Antilles, for YLRL DX members only. A duplicate plaque given for the highest combined CW and SSB score from any other part of the world, for YLRL DX members only.

NOTE: All digital mode contacts count as CW, this includes RTTY, PSK31, etc.

2001 YLRL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Call: _____ Recent Prior Call: _____
Name: _____ Country: _____
Address: _____ New Address? Y / N
City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip: _____
Phone Number: (____) - _____ Fax Number: (____) - _____
Packet Address: _____
Email Address: _____
License Class: _____ Year 1st Licensed: _____
ARRL Member? Y / N Year Joined YLRL: _____
List YLRL Affiliated Clubs You Belong To: _____

What ham activities do you enjoy & / or participate in? Include nets, modes, contests, clubs etc.: _____

DOB: _____ Anniversary: _____ OM Call: _____
Children-names, Ages, Calls: _____
Other Hams in Family: _____
Occupation: _____
Other activities, crafts, hobbies, sports, etc.: _____

- Check one:** _____ \$12.00 regular member, bulk mail (USA only)
_____ \$12.00 + \$4.00 for 1st class mail in US
_____ (required in Canada & Mexico)
_____ \$ 2.00 family member residing at same address (no YLH)
_____ \$12.00 subscriber
_____ \$16.00 subscriber, 1st Class Mail
_____ \$20.00 DX dues, Air Mail (required for DX YL)

Make either your check or an International Postal Money Order (in US funds only) payable to the Young Ladies' Radio League, Inc., and...

Send to the Receiving Treasurer for the district you live in (not your callsign district)



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(The DX YL Renewal Form is on the next page. Complete the renewal form - either using the form or a copy - and mail it to the YLRL President, Carol WD8DGQ, until further notice.)

2001 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

IF YOU HAVEN'T YET RENEWED THEN THIS IS YOUR LAST ISSUE AND YOU WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE FOR YLRL 2002-2004 OFFICERS.

Check the label on the back of this issue of *YL Harmonics*. If it says 2001, then your membership is up-to-date and you are eligible to vote otherwise --- - RENEW TODAY!!!

The renewal form is on the previous page. The DX YL renewal form is at the bottom of this page. Our Constitution, By-Laws and Procedure Policy state that only one years dues can be paid at a time. (Dues for new and reinstated members joining in the second half of the year are pro-rated by half. See inside the front cover for details.). The forms can also be downloaded from the YLRL web page: <http://www.qsl.net/ylrl>.

2001 YLRL DX YL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Please use this form if you are a DX YL paying your own dues or if you sponsor a DX YL. Make check (U.S. only) or International Postal Money Order (in U.S. Funds) payable to the Young Ladies' Radio League, Inc. A separate form is needed for each DX YL renewal.

Check one: Paying your own dues
 New
 Same adoptee / sponsor as last year

DX YLs Name _____ Call _____

DX YLs Address _____

Province / District _____ Country _____ Zip _____

Sponsor's Name _____ Call _____

Sponsor's Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Check one: _____ \$20.00 for Air Mail _____ \$2.00 for family member

(If family member, give name and call of primary member)

Send to: ----all correspondence and dues are to be sent to the President

DX Renewal Reminder ...

If you are sending dues in for a DX YL, please make sure they go to our president, until further notice. Send your **own** dues to the Receiving Treasurer for your district. Do not send them together to one or the other.

YLRL 2002 Convention Report

- by Nancy Rabel Hall, KC4IYD, Convention Chair

Things are moving very quickly now for the Convention Committee. Below is a preview of the activities we have planned for your weekend - Aug 2-4 - in wonderful Ohio. We are still finalizing the costs for transportation so the registration form won't appear until next month. However, be sure to periodically check out the YLRL webpage at <http://www.qsl.net/ylrl>, as the registration will be placed up there as soon as we get the final transportation costs.

The Convention will take place at the Clarion Hotel in Middleburg Heights, OH, a suburb in Cleveland. Their phone number is 1-800-252-7466. Room costs are \$79 plus tax and up to four may share at the \$79 rate.

RESERVATIONS CANNOT BE MADE UNTIL AFTER SEPT. 25, 2001.

The **Friday main tour** will consist of a morning tour of the **NASA Glenn Research Center** (I plan to lead a tour at one of the facilities there where I work), the **Goodtime III Lunch cruise** which consists of a hot lunch buffet and two hour cruise up the river and onto the lake, and a 2 hour visit to the site of your choice (all or any of the following) - **Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, Science Museum/OmniMax Theatre, USS Cod and USS Mather**. All 4 of these sites are right next to each other.



The **Saturday OM tour** will consist of a **Lolly the Trolley 2 hour tour of downtown Cleveland** followed by the **Goodtime III Lunch cruise** which consists of a hot lunch buffet and two hour cruise up the river and onto the lake.



Welcome Aboard the Goodtime III

The Goodtime III Lunch Cruise was selected by both YLs and OMs and the committee felt that by having the lunchtime cruise on both days, those YLs attending the YLRL business meeting would be able to go on the cruise on Friday. Note: Even though the Saturday tour says "OM tour", YLs are welcomed. In addition, even if you went on the Friday main tour, you can still go again on Saturday.



Lolly the Trolley tours Cleveland

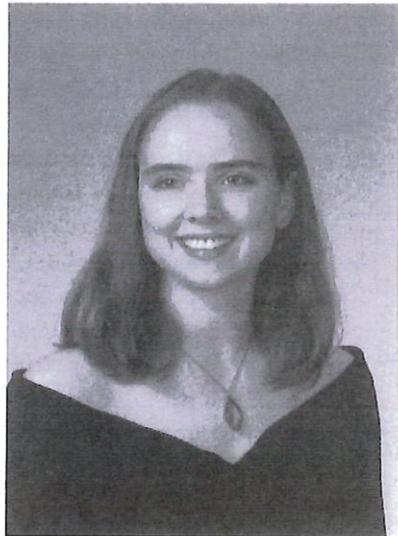
We will also be selling t-shirts and polo shirts during the convention. The picture on the next page shows the YLRL 2002 Convention logo. This logo will appear on the front of the t-shirts and over the right breast pocket on the polo shirts. The logo will also be on the goodie bags we pass out. A group

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The Future of YLRL

Congratulations to the Mary Lou Brown NM7N
\$1500 Memorial Scholarship Winner:
Rebecca S. Polewczak, N2LPW

This fall marks the return to college for Rebecca Polewczak, N2LPW, after spending the Spring 2001 semester and the summer months working as an intern at DuPont Pharmaceuticals in N. Billerica, MA. Rebecca, 20, is entering her junior year at Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY, where she is a chemistry major in the university Honors Program. With a cumulative GPA of 3.9, she is on the President's list, and her activities at school include mentoring in the County Clarkson Connection program, peer tutoring for the Higher Education Opportunity Program, member of Phi Mu Fraternity, and member of K2CC, Clarkson's amateur radio club. She is also a member of WA2UMX, the Saratoga County RACES association. She holds a Tech



Plus amateur radio license, and has been licensed for the past 11 years. Within WA2UMX, Rebecca is active in communications at community service events such as the American Diabetes Association's Tour de Cure, and also enjoys participating in the club's annual Field Day and HamFest events.

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picture is planned for Saturday morning which will be available for you take with you after the Sunday Farewell Brunch. Finally, to whet your appetite for the convention, you will have a choice of Chicken Cordon Bleu, Grilled Swordfish or NY Strip Steak for dinner for the Saturday Banquet... yum!! We are still planning to have seminars on Thursday and Friday evenings for those coming early, including a kit building session. And there may be an offsite activity on Sunday afternoon depending on the interest and number of people who plan to leave either late Sunday, Aug. 4th or sometime Monday, Aug. 5th. Looking forward to seeing you all in Ohio in 2002!



The Future of YLRL

Congratulations to the Ethel Smith K4LMB \$1500 Memorial Scholarship Winner: Rebecca C. Sakarias, KL7RC

To borrow from Bill Cosby, 'I started out as a child...' I obtained my extra class license in the summer following my freshman year in high school, five years ago, and am the child of (Anne) KL7KD and (Michael) KL7KE. I'm home in Juneau, Alaska for the summer. I'm working for a local flower shop as a delivery person, which is quite fun. Next, I'm headed to the Sierra Nevadas with my folks for about three weeks of hiking, climbing, and backpacking. Then it's back to school. I'm a double major in physics and math at Southern Oregon University, in Ashland, OR. I expect to complete my degree in 2003. After that we'll see where chance takes me. I do want to become a PhD someday. My current career interests include renewable/alternative energy technology, and interactive science museums/experiential education in the sciences.



YLRL GRANDMOTHER'S CLUB AWARD

This award was started by Mary Meyer, W9RUJ (SK) in 1958 as a friendship contact and exchange. Certificates may be earned by both YLs and OMs. Work 10 Grandmothers who have already earned this award. Obtain their name, call, qth, the number of her award and the date issued. Send with this, your name, call, qth, and if you are a Grandmother or Great Grandmother. No cards please!

After receiving the certificate for working 10 Grandmothers, you may work 5 Great Grandmothers, send same proof and receive a gold seal for your certificate. To help defray expenses, a contribution of 1 dollar (\$1.00US) is required for the certificate and SASE for the seal if earned separately. If you have become either a Grandmother or Great Grandmother since earning your certificate, please let us know so that you may be able to give credit to others.

Traditionally, no list of Grandmothers is ever published. You find us as we visit, since this is a friendship certificate. Mary wished to encourage genuine QSOs and this tradition has been preserved. When Mary became a SK, Martha Shirley W0ZWL became the custodian until she became a SK. Phyllis Douglas K7SEC gladly took over the job as custodian. Her address is: 701 N. Camino del Codorniz, Tucson, Arizona 85748

Field Day 2001 involved several YLs. **WB1ARU - Anne** was with Capeway Radio Club, operating the phone (20, 75, 15m) station with OM WA1ENO. Conditions were favorable on 20 and a fine score was recorded. One of the OMs who was at FD brought along a copy of the ARRL Operating Guide to show a picture of Anne operating Field Day a few years ago! **N1SKM - Carolyn** is the President of Central Massachusetts ARA and operated the 10 m station at their site in Spencer. If you would like to see some photos of Carolyn, check out the website at <http://www.CMARA.org>. Both of the clubs were spared from the thunderstorms that hit other places in New England. **KA1JVN - Hennie** operated Field Day with her club in Goshen, CT. There was also a Balloon Fest going on during the weekend in Goshen. **W1LIO - Arline** was with the Wellesley Amateur Radio Society, which is noted for their fine cookout on Saturday evening. **KA1VAX - Betsy** operated the 2m station for her club in Plymouth, MA. They had a new antenna for her to use, but the OMs had it put together incorrectly at first! **WA2ZKM - Marion** passed traffic for her club, since she didn't feel up to going to the site to operate. **W4GXZ - Blanche** and OM W4COW visited a couple of Field Day operations since they do not belong to any 1-land clubs. It was wonderful to hear so many YLs on the air throughout FD. Now we just have to stay in the groove at home!

I made the effort to do just that by getting on 3 nets in the week after Field Day. I checked in to the Yankee Lassies Net on Wednesday at 8:30 am (3.912). There were 10 check-ins, just as there were the week before. All those mentioned above were on the nets, as were **W1JX - Bobbie**, **WB1EHS - Barb**, **WA1JYO - Vera**, and **KA1TAG - Eva**. It's a great chance to get caught up with everyone. Additionally, I checked in to the YL Open House and Tangle Nets on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. The conditions were not very good, but I did hear several of the YLs from 5, 6, 7, 8, and 0. **K1IIF - Ruth** and I managed a contact despite QSB and QRM. Ruth was an active member of WRONE before she and Jack moved to Washington from 1-land. It was certainly good to hear her. While I was on vacation in July, the OM and I operated frequently on 20 m. We met some great folks along the way, getting recommendations for routes, restaurants, and places to stay. We worked the pile-ups of the Museum Ships on the Air weekend with my YL voice cutting through the clutter! I also checked in to YL Open House and Tangle Net during the trip. It was nice to hear some of the gals that I can't usually hear at home.

Be sure and send me news for the Nov/Dec issue. If you have any updates for the directory issue in Sept/Oct, please send them along.

33, Anne WB1ARU

The Sept-Oct 2001 YLH is the Directory Issue. Submit any updates, especially changes to your address, email or phone number to the Database Manager by Sept. 15, 2001!



The long awaited summer has finally arrived in Medford Lakes. I guess the beautiful weather is the reason you are all too busy to write about the happenings in your life. We certainly hope that is the reason and that all is going well with you.

Lia-WA2NFY called and said since she is so sad and lonely these days she decided to go to Germany and visit her two sisters. One sister is 90 years old and the other is 92 so Lia said it is time they get together. Lia is also going to go to Italy and visit friends and then return to Germany for a Hamfest with all the "girls". While away two of her friends are staying in her home and taking care of her beautiful birds. You can be sure when Lia returns she will have plenty of interesting stories to tell.

Roberta-KA2AFL had to be hospitalized for heart surgery. I haven't been able to get any information from the hospital on her condition, but I'm sure Roberta would certainly like to receive cards from you. Just send them to her home address. Also keep her in your prayers.

Vera-WA1JYO is one dependable person when it comes to SAYLARC nets. You can be sure she will be in there on Saturday morning no matter what the conditions are. She says it is always nice to hear about and talk to everyone. Vera keeps herself busy going out with her sister who lives down the street from her. They also like going to Danny's to enjoy his outside cooking on the grill.

Minerva-WB2JNL Talk about keeping busy, Minerva just seems to go on and on (like that battery-operated bunny on TV). Not only is she involved in her granddaughter's wedding to take place at their home, but Len and Minerva attended their granddaughter's graduation from college one day and then her bridal shower the following day. Now that's busy! However, she and Len are going to go on a vacation on June 28th to visit their daughter in Seattle, and just maybe get a little "rest". Join Minerva and **Miriam-AA2DX** on Friday mornings at 8:30 on 40 meters 7.243 and I'm sure you will hear all about her vacation.

Speaking of Miriam it seems she had a bit of trouble with renewing her license and was off the air for a short time, but everything is fine now and she is back on the air.

Talked to **Marge-WB3JUT** and she is scheduled to have eye surgery. Her daughter will be with her for a while, and then her sister will stay with her for a week. Then Marge hopes to be able to fly to PA to spend a month or so with her family. I sure hope to spend time with her also.

Well, that does it for another column. Hopefully for the next edition, you will load me down with news!!!! It is your column, so please write when you can. Until next time, remember, it is nice to be important, but it is more important to be nice.

Bye Now – **Myrtle-N2AKC**

Make your voice count
-- VOTE --
ballot on last page!!!



Happy Summer, 3-Land YLs! Summer finally arrived and from the news I received the gals are enjoying it.

Ruthanna WB3CQN wrote that she was getting eager to leave on her cruise to St. Petersburg, Russia from June 22nd to July 5th. They will be meeting 6 Russian hams and several of their wives and will be spending the day with them. She has gifts for all of them and will be taking lots of pictures! Perhaps she will share some of them with us. In the meantime, Ruthanna and her Bischon, Brandi, are enjoying her pool. However, Peppi, the Poodle, says "No thanks!"

Ruthanna wrote that during the summer her VHF club really enjoys having their meetings at their club site near a state park where they feast on hamburgers, hotdogs, fried chicken and hard-shell crabs. YUM! That and ice cream sundaes (provided by Ruthanna) brought out 40 members the last time. Something to think about if attendance is low!

She heard from **Gwen VK3DYL** and **Poppy VK6YF**. The gals down under are doing fine and say "Hello" to everyone. Also **JX6XIX, Nobuka**, is fine and her OM is in Africa where Ruthanna will try to work him from the different countries.

Kay W3TP enjoyed a visit to the Ham-Com convention in Dallas, TX where she gave a forum on the ARRL's education project. She and the President of the ARRL did Amateur TV QSO's with kids at a local science & technology camp. They talked on camera about what they enjoy in ham radio and then answered questions from the kids.

She writes: "Many of us YL's are more skilled with a keyboard than the typical OM (sure glad Mom made me take typing in high school!) So what are we waiting for? Let's have more YL's on the new sound card digital modes. These modes are FUN! It's not hard or expensive to get on the air, and you can do just about whatever you like best: rag chew, chase awards and DX, or even contest. I have been having huge fun on PSK31 and MFSK16. Sure would like to work more YL's." Try it you'll like it!

Lois WB3EFQ reports that she, her OM, Tom, and her son and daughter-in-law are heading for Dollywood, TN June 17th. In September, Tom and Lois are going to visit Nova Scotia. In October, she and Tom are expecting **Val VK4VR** and her OM, Brian, from Australia to visit. Lois now has 326 countries confirmed in the DXCC. Congratulations! She is glad that band conditions have improved to the point that she and **Gwen VK3DYL** have fairly regular QSO's.

Jeanne KA3CEO wrote that she doesn't have much news but wants to say "Hi" to all the YLs. She and her OM, Dick, are doing fairly well. Dick's facial palsy is slowly improving and he will soon be able to play his clarinet again. Jeanne is still bothered by back problems but says she hopes to make it to the Ohio convention.

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Greetings from your new District 4 Chairwoman. For those of you who do not already know me, I have been a ham for 25 years. Old calls held were WN5TEK, WB5TEK, KL7JDI KL7P/4 and now WX4MM. I have been a member of YLRL for most of those 25 years and really think it is wonderful that we have an organization just for us. I have been District Chairwoman for KL7 and District 4 in the past. I am the VE Team Liason for the East Alabama ARC. I live near Salem, Alabama on the Chattahoochee River.

I made Dayton this year for the first time and wish it had lasted a week. There were so many things to do and people to see and meet. I finally got to meet many of the YL's I had spoken to on the air for so many years. **Carol, WD8DGQ/7, Kay, WA0WOF, Nancy, KC4IYD, Cheryl, N0WBV, and Carol, KI8IM**, all officers or appointees of YLRL, were there as well. They put in a lot of hours for YLRL and I commend them for their volunteering. If you would like to help, in any way, let one of us know. There are many things to do and too few with time to do them. If we all could share the load, it would be a lot easier on everyone.

I also met a lot of 4-land YL's. Congratulations to **Pat Hensley, N4ROS**, on being elected ARRL Section Manager of South Carolina. I'm sure all the South Carolina YL's will support her during her term in office.

Other 4th call area YL's who signed the visitor list at the Buckeye Belles/ YLRL booth were: **Jo Halter, KD4PYS** of Union, KY; **Sherri Brower, W4STB** of Vero Beach, FL; **Katana Luther, KG4HGF** of Ashboro, NC; **Jane Peake, AF4CP** of Marietta, GA; **Amy Thor, AG4HH** of Mt. Ida, AR; and **Peggy Loomis, KG4MMN** of Mt. Ida, AR.

I also picked up another DX-YL to sponsor. **Liu ai Jun, BG1IJ** from Beijing, China. Her OM came by the booth to get information on YLRL and I signed her up on the spot. What an opportunity to meet someone from another culture and share. I have written her a letter and hope to hear from her soon. I also sponsor **Traudel DL1SYL**, in Germany.

I talked with **Ton, JX6XIX**, and her OM. He is on a DX-pedition to Mozambique now. We are looking for him on PSK31 for a contact. Will let you know if we make it.

I want to thank, personally, **Roseann Johnson, N4ZNO**, for being the District Chairwoman for the past four years. Roseann faithfully wrote the news for Harmonics each issue, attended Hamfests and promoted YLRL to the fullest. Roseann is still having medical problems and needs all our prayers. We wish her the best and hope to hear her on the air more in the future.

I'd like to hear from all the YL's in 4-land at least once each year. Let me know what you are up to and share your ideas and plans with us. My address is listed inside the front cover of the Harmonics. 33's Mary Moore, WX4MM

Email at wx4mm@mindspring.com

I'm the missing District 5 news from May/Jun YLH

What a beautiful creation the Lord has provided; we savor and appreciate HIS goodness! Hope each of you FIVE-LAND YL'S, and those you love, enjoyed a blessed Easter. Weather conditions could not have been nicer which made the Texas Hill Country ablaze with its gorgeous and innumerable varieties of wildflowers this spring - perfection personified!

What better conditions than these for the Houston Amateur Radio Campers to gather at Wolf Creek in the East Texas piney woods for good fellowship and delicious food scheduled for the early part of May! This group is primarily composed of GAYLARKS: **ALVERTA K5MIZ** and OM FRED K5MJA; **CHRISTINA N5YCH** and OM BILL W5DNE; **ANITA W5JMC** and OM PUMP WA5CYI; **AGNES WB5VWB** with OM CHARLES WA5FMK. Guests: **Betty KA0TEN** and OM AL KK5W.

It is always so refreshing to hear acclamations bestowed on our YL's and it is such a joy to share their great news. We hear that **ELAINE KC5WQE**, enjoyed a special evening with her club. She was given a unique name tag inscribed with SUPER NET CONTROL across the bottom, When the Monthly Net Report was given, they presented her with a nice card of congratulations for running the record-breaking net on the Repeater. THEN, they presented her with the GOLDEN MIC AWARD. She was delighted and moved by their gesture. That's what happens with all of that enthusiasm, ELAINE!

We have greetings, via **ALMA AB5BA**, from members of TYLRUN. She reports that "check-ins" are up and that all hear each other without need of relays.

DORIS K5BNQ and OM ANDY W5IWL, enjoyed a fine trip to North and South Carolina. Gratefully, her health held up real well - wonderful news!

Word received that **JOYCE W5MWK** had successful eye surgery and is SEEING very well. Thanks for good doctors!

JUDITH WOJJ/5 is in Indiana visiting family and teaching some classes on Data Needle Work on the fantastic Electronic Machines. Her OM DAVE WOVX will fly up to join her and from there, they will head for THE DAYTON HAM FEST!

ALMA reports a great success in the Belton Ham-Expo held April 21. There was good fellowship with friends and acquaintances plus inquiries re: YLRL - YEA! - Special thanks were extended to **LINDA AC5QQ**, **ELAINE KC5WQE** as well as to ALMA'S OM, **JIM K5VRJ** for their help and support.

EVELYN N5BOT is momentarily off the air due to wind damage - will watch for your return, Evelyn.

Many thanks to ALMA! She sends wishes for a great spring and a cool summer!

GAYLARK **MARY LOU KC5SJS** will present two sessions on "facts and figures" with all the joys of Amateur Radio on April 26, to the eight graders at St. Marks Episcopal Church School in Houston. What a worthwhile endeavor - lucky children!

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"Greetings from hot, humid, heavenly Houston! We have enjoyed a few brief showers and hope, you also, have enjoyed a pleasant summer in five-land!

Our heartfelt love and prayers continue for GAYLARK **ALVERTA K5MIZ** and OM FRED K5MJJA, who have suffered catastrophic and extensive damage from ALLISON, the Tropical Storm and the HOUSTON 2001 FLOOD, of June 9. The Looks' sustained eighteen inches of water throughout their QTH. They are steadfast in their faith and are thankful for their blessings of well-being!

It is such a joy to report happy news! GAYLARK, **MARY LOU KC5SJS**, is back in circulation doing her usual great things after her recent and successful foot surgery.

Busy YL **ALMA AB5BA**, with her OM JIM K5VRJ, will resume their work with the VE TESTING PROGRAM in their area of Texas.

Congratulations are in order for **ELAINE KC5WQE!** ELAINE has been approved and accepted by the ARRL/VE as an ARRL ACCREDITED GENERAL CLASS VOLUNTEER EXAMINER! She will be right there along with ALMA and JIM. What dedication to the hobby!

The writer, **K5JGC** and OM K5EYN, missed ALLISON while they attended the OM's annual Reunion of the 30th Infantry Division Association at Cape May, New Jersey. As usual, it was a wonderful experience! Thankfully, the return home was uneventful with no flood damage! The trip back to Houston was another story! It took twenty-eight hours in lieu of the usual three or four-hour flights. The flooding conditions were unbelievable; we have lived here all of our lives and have not ever seen such devastation! The recovery period will continue for many months, both in the residential and commercial areas.

Again, I am grateful for seeing things which I have been unable to see due to the marvelous and painless surgical repair procedure, Blepharoplasty, commonly know as "droopy eyelids". What a blessing!

All for this time. Happy summer to all!
33 and God bless,
Burnette, K5JGC"

Oops! The May/Jun District 5 news was accidentally omitted last month. To express my sincere apology, the May/June article is listed on the previous page followed by the Jul/Aug news above! As the saying goes.....

-- **Better Late Than Never.**

One of LARA'S teenagers was chairperson for the Field Day 2001, and we were very proud of **Sarah Killian, KF6WVO**. She spent many hours in preparation and it certainly paid off. With only a little help, Sarah was able to put together what looked like our best Field Day to date. With our site at the Sunset Marina, we operated CW, 80, 40, 20, and 2 meters. **Ann Anton, KE6OIO** and **Amanda Oishi, KF6SRO** spent most of their time on CW, while **Betty Barch N6VZF** and Sarah spent a lot of time on 80 and 20 meters. Sarah's mother, **Anne Killian, KF6RRI** and grandmother, **Judith Killian, KN6KG** proudly watched as Sarah operated 2 and 40 meters. In all, there were thirty members and friends in attendance, including the ARRL Southwestern District Director, Art Goddard, W6XD, who stopped by to compliment our endeavor. WE made contacts from Alaska to Australia, Hawaii and New Jersey. LARA was definitely heard across the air...Field Day 2001!!!

Amanda, KF6SRO was also drafted as chef for the event, Bar-b-queing burgers for lunch and steaks for supper (she celebrated her 15th birthday on Sunday, June 24th)...our thanks to the OMs who helped with setting up.

I am proud to be re-elected as the President of LARA.

Bobbie Raymond, KA6JDO, outgoing Secretary, concluded several years on the board and editor of "Watt's Cooking", the monthly newsletter...THANKS, Bobbie. **Betty De Contreras, KB6BNA** will take Bobbie's place.

YLRL will be visible at the ARRL Southwestern Division Convention, September 7-9th at Riverside. YLRC of LA and LARA members will be on hand to represent us.

I'm sorry, but I was unable to reach my contact in LA for news from YLRC, so I have no news from that area.

33's Jeri

"District 3 News" ...continued from page 14

Many thanks to the above who provided news for this column and sure do hope that next time we hear from many others. Please send all news via e-mail to: ka3vrx@penn.com or via snail mail: 533 Bovine Rd, Ebensburg PA 15931

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Barb KA3VXR

At least two YLRL members from the 7th District, **Lory, N7KTY** and **Phyllis, W2GLB** attended the Hamvention at Dayton in May. While her OM Steve AI7W was helping out at the QCWA table, Lory armed herself with a Kenwood, or ICOM, or Yaesu "bag of the day" and scoured the many tables and booths set up by vendors or clubs/groups. She worked from the Special Event station where a friendly operator helped her find the YLISSB system where MINOW Net's own **Flo, KU7F** was at the helm. Touring the Air Force Air Museum and seeing the beginning of the "Aviation Trail" State Park, featuring Dayton's own Wright Brothers, were highlights of the trip. **Phyllis, W2GLB** wrote: "I had a great time, saw a lot of my friends, had dinner Saturday night with the "Irish" group. Staying in Detroit with **Carol's (WD8DQG)** son and his family was a real pleasure. The YL Forum was interesting and well attended."

The Minow Net had it's Annual Meeting the weekend of May 19 and 20th at the Ida Culver House in Seattle with **Ruth W7RVA** as hostess. Activities included a delicious dinner, a gift exchange, a White Elephant Silent Auction and of course, lots of visiting. Saturday evening **Flo KU7F** showed slides of New Zealand and we also viewed some of the photos from the CD of International YL2000 (which Flo attended) on Ruth's computer. 9 YLs and 7 OMs participated. We were delighted to welcome **Terry WB7WRY** as a new member. We missed **Ruth K1IIF** who had hip replacement surgery just a few days before the meeting.

The Two Rivers YL Net was in charge of the YLRL table and YLRL luncheon at SeaPac, the Northwest Division Ham Convention in Seaside, OR the first weekend of June. 42 YLs signed in at the table. **Barbara KC7KQI** writes: "We handed out over 3 dozen back issues of YL Harmonics to YLs interested in information about YLRL. **Marti, W7AYL; Sara, AB7PS; Anne, K7TON; Donna, K6DNG; Sherryl, KD7CFH** and OM Dick, N6ZQ; and **Barbara, KC7KQI** and OM Phil, AB7RW held the fort at the YLRL booth. Between us we sold twice the number of raffle tickets that were sold last year, and brought in twice the amount of money. The proceeds go to YLRL to help with expenses. 17 YLs and guests attended the luncheon Saturday noon. The speakers were **Donna, K6DNG** who talked about the Coast Guard Auxiliary of which she is a member and told about her activities in communications along the Columbia River; and **Marti, W7AYL** who spoke on "Past YLRL Presidents".

Other news of members: **Marti, W7AYL** and her OM Jack N6XDU enjoyed a visit from "our adopted Mum" from York, England in May and brought her to SeaPac so she could see the Pacific Ocean for the first time.

Sara, AB7PS was excited to receive her DXCC certificate and pin in May.

What has been happening in your life? Please send me news of your activities and accomplishments! Don't forget - the YLRL Kit is available for Hamfests and other occasions.

33 de Sara, AB7PS

PS - Please note my new E-mail address: ab7ps@arrl.net

Editor's note -- go to page 27 to check out pictures from Seapac.

If you've read the President's column, then you know that I have volunteered to put the remaining issues of *YL Harmonics* together. As a result, I have not been as diligent in emailing you all for news. Therefore, in addition to the news I get, I will be spotlighting YLs in this column. I would appreciate it if you all would please continue to email me your news.

It was great seeing some of you at Dayton. I helped **Carol KI8IM** at the Buckeye Belles/YLRL table. Below is a picture of some of us who were at Dayton. Pictured from left-to-right and wearing the blue YLRL 2002 Convention logo t-shirts



are **Carol KI8IM, Nancy KC4IYD and Cheryl N0WBV**, behind us from left to right are the YLRL Vice President **Phyllis W2GLB/7** and YLRL President **Carol WD8DQG/7**. For those who don't know, Cheryl is the publicity chair for the Convention. If anyone wants info to pass out about the Convention, contact Cheryl via email at: hamdivers@aol.com. This month

the featured YL is **Susie Scott, N8CGM**. She was first licensed as a Novice in Spring 1980 (pre VEs - meaning she probably was tested by 2 or 3 extra class hams and not at an exam session). She upgraded to Technician in Nov 1980 and then General in April 2000. She got interested in ham radio when her OM Brad WD9HDZ talked her into it. She then signed up for code & theory class from a local radio club. Right now Susie is only active on 2m now but she used to be on 6m for a while. Her OM has promised to put up a long wire so they can both get on low bands, soon! She was awarded Ham-of-the-Year from her local radio club in 1989. She is also the editor for two newsletters. The first newsletter is the monthly *Q-Fiver* for the OH-KY-IN ARS in Cincinnati OH, which won Ohio Section Newsletter of Year in 1994. *Q5r* goes with recording secretary for OH-KY-IN. Then every other month she edits the *Buckeye Burr* for Buckeye Belles. She's been editor of the Burr for past year. Another obsession of hers that masquerades as a lifestyle is barbershop harmony! She also reads voraciously & in addition to her OM, there are 3 domestic shorthair cats that she lives with. One piece of advice she would give to YLs is: "if you once get a good start on cw, stick with it. I didn't and regret it"

DEADLINES



SEPT 15, 2001 --Updates for the Directory Issue - submit any correction to the Database Manager
OCT 15, 2001 - YLRL 2002 Ballots - Send to the Secretary



The address, phone and email of the database manager and secretary can be found on p 2-3.

Summer has arrived, but you wouldn't always know it by the weather. In the last days of spring it was 90 plus degrees, but as soon as summer arrived, the temps dipped into the lower 60's. And rain!!! We have had so much rain I expected to see Noah come down the street at any time. By August, we will be looking for the rains to come, but not right now.

As I write this, it is Field Day weekend. The Fort Wayne Radio Club had our usual field day exercises at the local Girl Scout Campground. We had four station set up and I'll be waiting to hear how we came out. My function for field day is always organizing the food. We had a hog roast and all the trimmings last night and it was wonderful. And of course, we had a lot a rain in the afternoon.

Our YL in the spotlight this issue is **Blanche Elpers, KA9EIV**. Blanche became a licensed ham in 1979 at the age of 60. Her late husband, Louis, was interested in Ham Radio. They practiced code by sending to each other and they studied together for the written test and in April of 1970 they got their calls, KA9EIV and KA9EIW. In December of that year, Louis became a Silent Key. Some of his last words were "Whatever you do, keep up with the Ham Radio".

Blanche studied by herself and earned the General, Advanced and Extra class license. She also became a VE coordinator. She never changed her call because she likes the phonetics "Evansville Indiana Voice". She has been Treasurer, a Board Director and Editor for the Tri-State Amateur Radio Society, TARS. She also filled the positions of Hamfest Chairman and Country Emergency Coordinator.

Blanche became a Net control Station in 1980 on the 2-meter net and joined the Indiana Traffic net in May 1981. She served one term as Indiana Traffic Net Manager, and has been a net control station on the Indiana Traffic Net since November 1, 1985.

Blanche has received the "John E. McCutchan" award in 1983, Indiana Traffic Handler of the Year 1987 and the IRCC Amateur of the Year award in 1996.

On the personal side, Blanche is 81 years of age has no children. She has one sister who has given her nieces and nephews, grand nieces and nephews and great grand nieces and nephews. She also does a lot of volunteer work for her church and for the American Red Cross. I don't know about all of you reading this, but I got tired just reading and typing all of her accomplishments. Blanche, you are a gem.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy summer. And if you haven't seen your biography yet, it will appear, I have a lot yet to go through. Thank you all for sending me your stories.

33, Carole, WB9RUS

To keep up-to-date with the planning for the 2002 YLRL Convention in Ohio or happenings in YLRL., visit the YLRL website at:

<http://www.qsl.net/ylrl>

I'm the missing District 10 news from May/June YLH

Well, it's spring again and as I write this, Dayton is just around the corner. By the time you receive this issue, it will be over. I hope you were able to attend. Write and let me know about your Hamvention experience!

Merri Pladsen, AB0MV and I met up at the LARCfest in Longmont, CO in April. She has been contesting a lot since her move to Colorado and plans to get on the air for the DX YL to NA YL contest. Also, there was new member **Molly Hardman, W0MOM** who joined the YLRL just minutes after passing her extra class! Congratulations!

Melba Hoss, KA0BAT writes that her local radio club, Kaw Valley Amateur Radio Club, is celebrating 75 years of affiliation with the ARRL this year! Wow! The club joined in October of 1926 and will be having a banquet and a special event the weekend of October 27. The club call is W0CET, a memorial call. It was originally 9CET and belonged to one of the founding members of the group, John Amis. If you hear a callsign with /75, it will probably be from Topeka, KS. The club is made up of approximately 20% YL members. Check out the Kaw Valley ARC on the web at <http://www.cjnetworks.com/~jzoble/kvarc.htm>.

Melba and her OM, KA0BHO, enjoyed the convention on the Queen Mary and are already thinking about the Ohio convention in 2002. I hope to see them there. Don't forget to fill out your convention survey!

This issue's District 10 spotlight is on **Karen Schultz, KA0CDN**. She saw a ham radio station at the home of a troop leader when she was in the Campfire Girls, but wasn't able to get a license and station then. In 1978, a friend of hers who was stationed at Lowry Air Force Base got transferred to Alaska. He knew Karen was involved in CB radio and showed up on her doorstep with a form 610 in hand asking her to please get her license so they could talk. She did-taking time off work to visit the FCC!

Karen met her OM, Glenn, W0IJR, on the radio when she answered his call for a test report on 6 meters. She had just set up her own station and needed to test it as well. Glenn will have been licensed for 50 years in 2002!

Karen is an ultimate DXer. She has earned honor roll for mixed phone and CW. She says that DXing in Denver is a real challenge as Colorado is something of a black hole. (She is absolutely correct!)

Her most interesting contact was Heard Island when conditions were so thin that she said it was "almost like using ESP." She has also managed to confirm Mt. Athos on phone. Many of you may be interested in learning that not only are women not allowed to set foot on Mt. Athos, but the radio operators are not supposed to talk to women either as a rule!

In Colorado, you may have met Karen at one of the Denver area VE sessions. She and Glenn have been administering exams for years as a way of putting something back into the hobby.

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Well everyone, it has been a packed few months since I wrote this column last. In May, what else...DAYTON and the Hamvention. The YLRL booth was packed. There was never a dull moment. I saw so many of you from the 10th district and I hope it won't take until Dayton to see you again.

The YL forum had an extra 15 minutes this year and we used every one. Speakers included our President **Carol Hall-WD8DQG/7**, Librarian/Moderator **Kay Eymann-WA0WOF**, Convention Committee chairman **Nancy Rabel Hall KC4IYD** and me.

It was an amazing time. This issue's spotlight is on a YL who goes to the Hamvention every year, so look for her in the flea market. **Dot Lowe, N0JFW** and her OM Al, N0IMW run Arrow Antennas. This year, I had a chance to talk to Dot about how she got involved in ham radio and antenna making and here is her story.

She says that Al got into it before she did. He was laid up and listening to code tapes and as she worked around the house she heard the code as well. For a while, she could even copy faster than he did. Still, she didn't do anything with her skills and Al got licensed first. Once he was licensed, he handed her the book and said, "You get it."

Dot says she studied and took the test in Loveland, CO, but though she passed the 5-wpm code, "the written was all wrong!" She had been given the wrong book to study. So, she borrowed a friend's book and one week later she tried again and passed in Boulder, CO.

Al wanted to make antennas for foxhunting. He found junk TV antennas for portable foxhunting antennas and a friend, Mike got the idea for using an arrow shaft as the elements because they are light and easy to find. They added aluminum tubing and the walking stick antenna was created. But though the antenna hobby was interesting, they left Colorado for a couple of years and it wasn't until they moved back to Loveland that they took up the hobby again. They made more antennas and sold them at the local hamfests.

Dot says that Al wanted to make antennas full time, but it was a bit risky for them both to jump in with both feet and she kept working her non-ham related job. It only took 3 years for them to run out of room for this "hobby" and they moved to a house with a 3-car garage so they would have more room for antenna building. A year later, they thought of taking Arrow Antennas to Dayton. There, they were so overwhelmed by orders that Dot quit her job to help build antennas full time.

Again, they ran out of room and moved to Cheyenne, WY, where their current shop is, to continue their work. The first year was a bit rough, Dot says, but the second year they started using the Internet and the business really started to take off. They have grown slowly trying to keep from overextending themselves so that they can consistently manufacture good quality products.

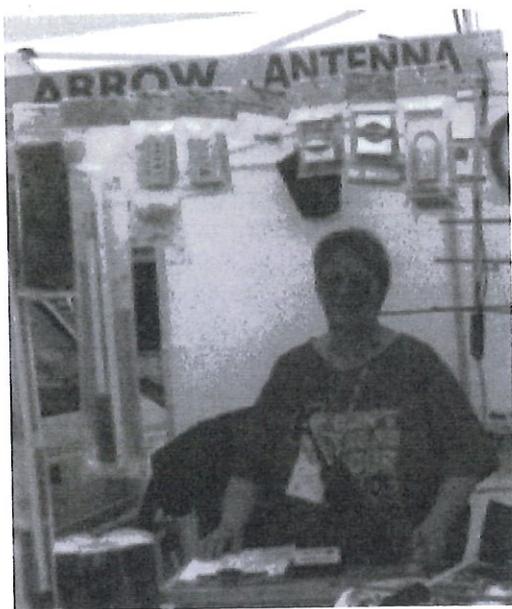
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The Schultzes welcome visitors to their spectacular garden. As you can see by the picture (below), they grow an amazing assortment of daylilies. Bulbs are sold once a year for charity during their open house where you will find varieties that are not usually found at the local greenhouse. Right in the middle of the garden, they have managed to grow two wonderful towers as well.



I hope I saw you at
Dayton and 33 to all!
Cheryl, N0WBV

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Though she didn't want to move at first, Dot is really getting into her work building antennas. She and Al build everything. She has started making her own contributions including the design for the \$9.00 mounting bracket. They build a multitude of antennas for foxhunting, home stations and satellite. Check out Arrow Antenna on the web at <http://www.arrowAntenna.com> and if you get a chance at Dayton, stop by the booth and say Hi to Dot.

I don't know what you did for Field Day, but I worked the phone station for so long I lost my voice! Let me know what you did for Field Day. Don't forget I need information from you on what the 10th district is doing with ham radio. Send pictures, too!

33 & 73, Cheryl Muhr, N0WBV

Oops Again! In my rush to get the May/June 2001 YLH out, the Mar/Apr District 10 news was accidentally reprinted in the May/June issue. Again, to express my sincere apology, the May/June article is listed on page 23 followed by the Jul/Aug news on page 24.

Greetings from finally warm Alaska. It was a long, warmer than usual, winter all over the state. Like the rest of the west coast there was a lack of snow in most places. Down here we had plenty of rain, but not enough to keep the pelton wheel going full time. But with full time real power not a problem.

Rose, KL7FQQ, and her OM Stan, KL7FQR, are back home from winter in Texas. Bit different from the 80s, as a foot of fresh snow fell after they got home. But they have the garden in now, and greenhouse perking along well. They did make a trip up to the old gold mine close to Livengood on the pipe line road. Remember the week we spent up there in 1972, "helping" do some of the work. Was a real eye opener how much had to be done before any results. They had a problem getting the padlocks open on the various buildings, but finally persisted and had a good few days up there before coming back to Fairbanks.

Cheri, WL7MA, in Wasilla, is busy with the Alaska-Pacific Emergency Preparedness Net as a Manager. One daughter is home for the summer from University in Idaho, working to help for next year's schooling. Other daughter is in Europe touring with a group of students, before continuing studies at the University in Idaho, too.

Have not heard from any of the other gals, but have hopes for the next column.

My apple trees are in full bud, the cherry trees almost white with blossoms, strawberries have lots of flowers coming, and yard full of forget-me-nots in full bloom. Seed really scattered last fall. Amazingly, the deer have not eaten them, but they surely love the chocolate lilies that have shown up in the yard. Did put in some shooting star seeds, and they are blooming too. The fruit trees are behind fences to keep them safe and so far so good!

Have a good safe summer.

33, Betty Marsh KL7FJW

Email since 9/00 is kl7fjw@winlink.org

Silent Keys

I received a note from Jeanne Harlan Crabb today telling me her mother, **Wava Harlan, W8FPT/4** had died on July 22, 2001. Wava was a fifty year member in 2000 ---submitted by Jean WA2BGE

QRZ DX listed **Betty Reich, K9QV** (WD9GQV, VP2MFT, VR6BR) as a silent key. She was an avid DXer and will be sorely missed.

---submitted by Cheryl N0WBV

Condolences to **Carol KI8IM** and her OM Jim KI8IL on the loss of Jim's Uncle, Arthur Schmitkons, KF6DZ. Uncle Art was the person who got Jim and Carol interested in amateur radio. -- submitted by Editor

Our condolences to CHARLES WA5FMK, OM of AGNES WA5VWB, on the loss of his father, who passed away in April.

Continue to enjoy our great hobby with super QSO's via all means of communications! Thank you again for your splendid help!

"**MARTHA W5YKE** reported that her OM PERRY W5STI, is in Montserrat, West Indies, checking on their property there.

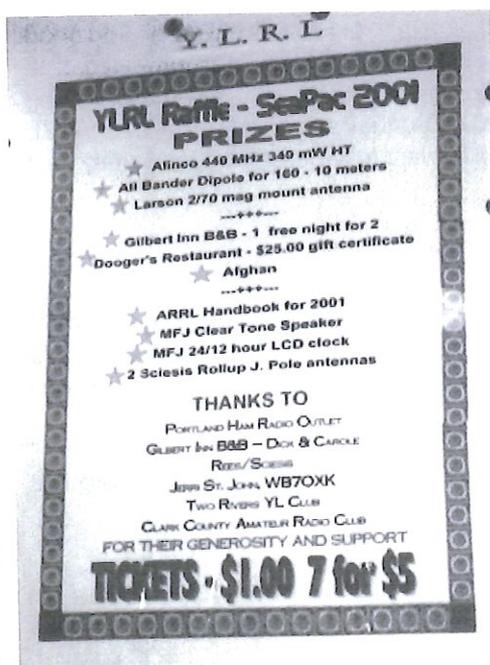
DORIS K5BNQ and OM ANDY W5IWL recently spent a nice time in Hawaii.

LINDA AC5QQ and OM ED K5KNI, are enjoying helping their son, **PAT KK5KN** oversee his first home being built - how exciting!

JOYCE W5MWK had cataract surgery in early May. The great news now is that she has 20-20 vision - hoooooray! Our condolences to Joyce on the loss of her sister, DORIS MAY BELL, March 19, 2001.

Congratulations to **ALMA AB5BA**, who will give a presentation on the merits and all of the fun-things associated with YLRL June 9, 2001, at the Bosque County ARC.

'Enjoy a marvelous summer! 33 and God bless, Burnette K5JGC"



2001 SEAPAC Ham Convention in Oregon

Marti, W7AYL took the two pictures you see on this page. The poster (on the left) is the one we had in the YLRL booth (above) with the prizes for the YLRL drawing. We made \$325.00 on the drawing.

--submitted by Barbara KC7KQI

Well, we now have a DX-YL from China. It's been a lot of years...and I hope that this will help us get YL contacts that we haven't been able to obtain for many years. **Liu ai Jun, BG1IJ** from Beijing, China. Her OM was at Dayton and Mary Moore, WX4MM is sponsoring her.

Don't forget the **JLRS Party September 29**, at 0300 UTC through September 30 at 0300 UTC. You should send your logs to **Aiko Ymamoto, JO7EBH**, 2-26-5 Kunimigaola, Aobaku Sendai City 989-3201, Japan.

The ALARA contest was August 2 from 0600 UTC until August 26, at 1159 UTC. Logs are to go to **Marilyn Syme, VK3DMS**, 99 Magnolia Ave., Mildura. 3500, Victoria, Australia. I hope some of you were able to get on the air to give out US contacts.

I had a nice letter from **Christa, DJ1TE** who visited Alaska during June and July. She and her OM, Joe drove nearly 5,000 km in a rented RV. They enjoyed good weather and saw moose, caribou, and even had a bear visit their campsite. She invited everyone to join the DX 15 meter net (21.333 MHz) on Monday morning (1500 UTC), the Japan YL net on 21.320 on Sunday at 0800 UTC and the VK/ZL net on 14.222 on Sunday. She is looking forward to seeing everyone in Italy next year.

Aimee, FK8FA visited Canada and the Northeast US.

I have been so busy that I haven't remembered to check into the European YL net on Monday mornings in some time, and I miss not hearing about what's going on. If you have any news for me that you like to see in this column, my e-mail address is CLVHall@attglobal.net

I plan on sending out questionnaires by the end of the year to up-date the information I need to get sponsors.

33's Carol Hall, WD8DQG/7

DEADLINES



SEPT 15, 2001 --Updates for the Directory Issue - submit any correction to the Database Manager

OCT 15, 2001 - YLRL 2002 Ballots - Send to the Secretary



The address, phone and email of the database manager and secretary can be found on p 2-3.

Kristen Brown, KD7IED - a young YL of many talents

-by Barbara Yasson, KC7KQI

Kristen is 15 years old, has been a ham for almost 2 years, and an Extra since last summer. She has fired a couple of rockets this summer and met with success with both of them. I told her I'd give her a YLRL membership for her birthday, and just need to get the info together to send in. She loves doing code and has quite a collection of code keys. She is also collecting old issues of QST, and has a couple from the 1930's. She was the Clark Co. Amateur Radio Club Ham of the Year for 2000. The award is given yearly to the operator of the year. She has improved life on the club's repeater, is usually available to do net control for our 2 meter YL net. We also do pot luck get-togethers for some of the members who are not able to get on the net, and Kristen has attended the last couple of those. She loves to talk on the and with her girlfriend Randi Richards, KD7KXX, has started to learn how to do semaphores. Randi made the flags.



Ilse Senkel DK2KD, SK

Ilse Senkel DK2KD, nee Binthoefer, December 15, 1928 - July 7, 2001
Is today fallen asleep in the peace of the Lord.

In quiet sorrow:
Rolf Senkel
Kinfolk and Friends

45894 Gelsenkirchen-Buer, Woerthstrasse 21
Services take place on Friday, July 13, 2001 at 11 AM in the funeral parlor of the main cemetery in Gelsenkirchen-Buer.



Interment follows the services.

You can bid farewell* to the deceased in the private funeral parlor of House Werdemann, Horster Strasse 61 in Gelsenkirchen-Buer.

(* pay your respects)

-- translated from the original German by Susie Scott N8CGM

It has come to my attention that Pauline VE3LQA had announced her resignation in last year's last *YL Harmonics* issue. No one else has stepped forward to take over as VE district chair. As a result, all future VE news will now be included with the DX-YL news.

"Just A Tech"

At many Hamfests I keep hearing the same thing from the ladies who stop by the YL table: "I'm just a No Code Tech...how can I help out, or do anything with that kind of license?" Well, there's a lot YL (and OM) Techs can do.

The other day I received a call from one of our net controllers to see if I could help with radio communications at a hazardous-materials spill. If I wasn't scheduled to work I would have been in my car the minute the tones went out for help.

I was once able to get emergency help to an accident scene because I was on the radio.

We may not be on the low bands or do code but we can do our thing on the bands that we have. I've never felt that because I'm "just a No-Code Tech" that I could never help. I worked hard, just as we all have, to get my ticket and I'm proud of it, and my OM is proud of me. That was six years ago and I've never regretted it.

Never think you can't do anything because you happen to be "just a Tech", because you can. Techs are just as important to the amateur radio community as any ham, if they just get on the air and use what they have.

--73, Jean, KB8YHN, VP, Buckeye Belles

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Buckeye Belles 2001 Founders Award Winner

--by Nancy, KC4IYD



On the left is a picture of **Jean KB8YHN** holding the Buckeye Belles 2001 Founders Award which was presented to her by **Lilo KA8IWD**. Each year, the Buckeye Belles presents the Founders Award to a Belle who best exemplifies what it is to be a Buckeye Belle. The winner gets to keep it for one year and then it is passed on to the winner of the following year. A brief history about the winner is gathered by the Founder's

Award committee and read aloud during the Buckeye Belles Annual Meeting, then the winner is announced at the end. Sometime the winner realizes who she is during the reading but, in this case, Jean was totally surprised. Upon getting the award, Jean stated it was a great ending to a very difficult week. As Jean stated above, just because you a "Tech", that doesn't mean you can't contribute to Amateur Radio. Jean, congratulations again and "You Go Girl!"

President

Kay Eyman - WA0WOF

Kay has been licensed since 1969 and a member of YLRL since 1972. She has held several offices in YLRL: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Publicity Chair, Editor, Circulation Manager, and Librarian- Historian. She is a member of Mine Creek ARC, and participates in YL Open House, Tangle Net, TYLRUN, and 222DX Net. Kay lives in Garnett, KS.

Vice President

Jeanie Parker - WA6UVF

Jeanie has been licensed since 1977 and a member of YLRL since 1977. She has been 6th District Chairman and Western Tape Topics Librarian. She is a member and former President and Secretary of YLRC of Los Angeles and also of JLRS (7J1ACN). She is active on YL Open House and Tangle Net. Jeanie lives in Hemet, CA.

Disbursing Treasurer

Ginger Wonderling AB6YL

Ginger has been licensed since 1992 and a member of YLRL since 1993. She has been the Disbursing Treasurer since 1996. She is a member of YLRC of LA and has been its Vice President. Ginger lives in Canoga Park, CA.

Carol Noack KK5L

Carol has been licensed since 1977 and a member of YLRL since 1979. She was Disbursing Treasurer from 1988 -1991. She is a member of TYLRUN and Jefferson County ARC and has been Secretary-Treasurer for JCARC. Carol lives in Port Arthur, TX.

Receiving Treasurer

Districts 1 - 4

V. Jean Chittenden WA2BGE

Jean has been licensed since 1975 and a member of YLRL since 1976. She has been Receiving Treasurer since 1984. She is a founding member of SAYLARC and former president. Jean lives in Oneonta, NY.

Districts 5 - 7

Doris A. May KJ7RF

Doris has been licensed since 1995 and a member of YLRL since 1995. She is the current Receiving Treasurer for this district. Doris lives in Pahrum, NV.

Districts 8 - 10, KH6, KL7 & VE

Carol J. Schmitkons KI8IM

Carol has been licensed since 1994 and a member of YLRL since 1996. She is a current Receiving Treasurer for YLRL. She is a member of Chix on Six and Buckeye Belles and is Treasurer for both clubs. Carol lives in Lorain, OH.

DX Receiving Treasurer

Carol Hall WD8DQG

Carol has been licensed since 1975 and a member of YLRL since 1980. She is the current President of YLRL and has also been 8th District Chairman and Nominating Chair. She is a member of Buckeye Belles, CMARA, GVARA, and TASYLS. Carol lives in Belgrade, MT.

District Chairwomen

1st District

Anne E. Manna WB1ARU

Anne has been licensed since 1977 and a member of YLRL since 1977. She has been 1st District Chairwoman since 1986. She is a member of Capeway RC and WRONE. She is a past President of both groups. Anne lives in Hanover, MA.

2nd District

Myrtle M. Farnsworth N2AKC

Myrtle has been licensed since 1978 and a member of YLRL since 1982. She has been 2nd District Chairwoman since 1996. She is a member of SAYLARC and Buckeye Belles. Myrtle lives in Medford Lakes, NJ.

3rd District

Blanche Barbara Bender KA3VXR

Barbara has been licensed since 1990 and a member of YLRL since 1994. She has been 3rd District Chairwoman since 1998. She is a member of Horseshoe ARC and Dividing Ridge ARC. She has been Vice President of both groups. Barbara lives in Ebensburg, PA.

4th District

Mary Moore WX4MM (ex KL7P/4)

Mary has been licensed since 1976 (former WN5TEK, KL7JDI) and a member of YLRL since 1976. She has been both KL7 and 4th District Chairman. She is a member of the Columbus ARC and is VE Team Liaison of East Alabama ARC. Mary lives in Salem, AL.

5th District

Alma Lang AB5BA

Alma has been licensed since 1986 and a member of YLRL since 1989. She has been Publicity Chair for YLRL. She is a member of Heart O' Texas ARC in which she has held several offices. She has been active in promoting YL activity in central Texas. Alma lives in Eddy, TX.

7th District

Sara Lyon AB7PS

Sara has been licensed since 1993 and a member of YLRL since 1995. She has been 7th District Chair since 1996. She is a member of Minow Net and has been the Secretary-Treasurer. Sara lives in Olympia, WA.

8th District

Nancy Rabel Hall KC4IYD/8

Nancy has been licensed since 1989 and a member of YLRL since 1993. She is the current District 8 Chair, maintains the YLRL website, and has been President and Vice President of YLRL. She is a member of Buckeye Belles and Chix on Six and has been Vice President of both. She is database manager for Buckeye Belles. Nancy lives in North Ridgeville, OH.

9th District

Carole L. Burke WB9RUS

Carole has been licensed since 1975 and a member of YLRL since 1976. She has been District 9 Chair since 1994. She is a member of Fort Wayne RC and has been President and Secretary. Carole lives in Fort Wayne, IN.

10th District

Cheryl Muhr N0WBV

Cheryl has been licensed since 1993 and a member of YLRL since 1994. She has been District 10 Chair since 1995 and is the current Publicity Chair. She is a member of Colorado YLs. Cheryl lives in Littleton, CO.

KL7 District

Lillian Marvin NL7DL

Lillian has been licensed since 1985 and a member of YLRL since 1986. She was KL District Chair in 1993 and 1994. She is a member of PARKA and Anchorage ARC, has been Vice President of both groups and secretary of AARC. Lillian lives in Anchorage, AK.

--DIRECTIONS FOR COMPLETING BALLOT ON NEXT PAGE --

Failure to follow these directions may result in disqualification of your ballot.

EVERYONE (YLs, DX-YLs and family members) except subscribers vote for the people who serve **YOU**. You vote for your President, Vice President, Disbursing Treasurer, **YOUR** Receiving Treasurer and **YOUR** District Chairwoman. DX-YLs: your DX Receiving Treasurer is also your DX Chairwoman. If no one is running in your district, leave the district chairwomen section blank.

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Ballots due Oct. 15, 2001

Read the DIRECTIONS on the previous page before completing the ballot below.

President: Kay Eyman()
Vice President: Jeanie Parker WA6UVF()
Disbursing Treasurer: Ginger Wonderling AB6YL()
Carol Noack KK5L()

Vote for **YOUR** own Receiving Treasurer and **YOUR** own District Chairwoman -- see directions on previous page.

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Districts 5 - 7 Doris A. May KJ7RF()
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DX Receiving Treasurer Carol Hall WD8DQG/7()

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7th District Sara Lyon AB7PS()
8th District Nancy Rabel Hall KC4IYD/8()
9th District Carole L. Burke WB9RUS()
10th District Cheryl Muhr N0WBV()
KL7 District Lillian Marvin NL7DL()

No Secretary, VE, KH6 or 6th district chairwomen have been found. Please let the president know if you will like to volunteer to help.

After filling out your ballot, place your ballot in a **sealed envelope** and put your **signature and your call** on the outside of that sealed envelope. Next, place the sealed in another envelope and mail it to:

Donna Deyoe, Secretary
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Charms:	Gold-filled	17.00
	Silver	17.00
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YLRL JEWELRY: Diamond Logo

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Charms:	Gold and blue enamel	4.00
	Silver and blue enamel	4.00

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