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YLRL Contest Corner

FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT CARLA WATSON, WO6X

Many thanks to all of you for participating in making the YLAP a success. What a nice turnout it was! It was fun and it was great. I appreciated all the notes, letters, and comments that came to me with the logs. I think the only time I wish I was living on the East coast is at contest time. It can be frustrating to sit and listen to the YLs in the Midwest and East having a QSO with YLs in Europe, when here in the West, nothing is being heard from Europe. I must say that conditions were not that good here on the West coast, at least in the morning.

Mildred Wadler, AB4KL, was the First Place Winner in the YLAP SSB Contest, and if you wonder why there was no trophy given, it is because Millie was not a YLRL member and so was not eligible for the Gold Cup. She did receive a certificate. And while I am on the subject of rules, some of you will notice a correction on your scores. Some did not take credit of two points for working DX YLs, and some had the score on the multipliers wrong. Please take note that multipliers are used only once on all bands.

Christine, GM4YMM, has sent me a circular that is addressed to all YLs, and I have asked Kay, WA0WOF, our editor, to publish it. Please take time to read it and maybe you will find yourself touched by the story, as I was. It would be wonderful if we could all get together and help Merilla, ZA1L, own some radio gear so she can operate. As Christine says, any amount, small or large, will help. It is that time of the year when we wish each other a happy holiday season. Let me wish you all, dear friends, a very happy new year! I hope that 1993 will bring you and your loved ones much happiness, health and peace.
33, Carla, WO6X

YLRL CONTEST CALENDAR

YL-OM SSB: 1400 UTC, Feb 13, 1993, to 1700 UTC, Feb 14, 1993
CW: 1400 UTC, Feb 27, 1993, to 1700 UTC, Feb 28, 1993
DX YL-NA YL CW: 1400 UTC, Apr 14, 1993, to 1700 UTC, Apr 15, 1993
SSB: 1400 UTC, Apr 28, 1993, to 1700 UTC, Apr 29, 1993

FREQUENCIES FOR ALL YLRL CONTESTS

BAND	CW	SSB
80 Meters	3.540 - 3.725	3.940 - 3.970
40 Meters	7.040 - 7.070	7.240 - 7.270
20 Meters	14.040 - 14.070	14.175 - 14.280
15 Meters	21.120 - 21.150	21.380 - 21.410
10 Meters	28.150 - 28.200	28.300 - 28.610

Since band allocations in other countries are often different than the USA, North American amateurs should look for DX members in other parts of the bands.

Christine Dons, GM4YMM
37 Ashley Drive
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SCOTLAND

Dear YL's in Europe and all over the world

We have been given a great challenge! In July '92 I spoke with OH2BH, Martti Laine, and I asked him if there was anything I could do to help Merilla, ZA1TAL, now ZA1L, with QSL cards etc. as there were quite a number of YL's waiting to receive cards from her. Well, as most of you will know the QSL-routes have now been established with the assistance of HB9BGN and Swiss Air.

Back to the challenge. The situation in Albania is as you will probably know very difficult, and it is virtually impossible for most of the radio amateurs there to get hold of any radio equipment. The ZA-stations who are on the air share the rigs left behind by the teams and associations that went to Albania to help organise the initial training courses and exams for the first ZA's who came on the air in the autumn of 1991. One of those new radio amateurs was Merilla!

Merilla is a young girl who lives with her parents and grand-parents in two rooms, and they are enduring what to most of us would be fairly basic and almost primitive conditions. Merilla loves her amateur radio and the contacts that she has made all over the world. She can only get on the air from time to time when some-one in her area has access to a rig, and she then visits to operate for a short time.

The challenge that Martti Laine gave me was to see if it would be possible through the generosity of all the YL's, and OM's for that matter, to get together and collect enough money to fund a set of radio equipment for Merilla so that she would be able to get on the air more regularly and also share with some of the other radio amateurs in her area.

Let us see if we can respond to this request. Having received the challenge, I shall be happy to act as the collecting point for any contributions, however small or large - a dollar or a couple of IRC's or whatever - everything will help. If you can, please pass this request to your local radio club etc so that as many YL's and OM's as possible gets to know about it. With the help of everyone, I am sure we can get something together for Merilla and that the year 1993 will be a happy one for her.

I will be in contact with OH2BH and HB9BGN to establish the most suitable type of equipment and accessories, and also advice on how best to get it to Merilla.

Please let us see if we can pull this one off and make ZA1L heard on the bands more often.

73 + 88's
Christine



1992 YL Anniversary Party Results



YLAP SSB		YLAP CW	
NA YL	DX YL	NA YL	DX YL
AB4KL	1st Place	4X6DW	Gold Cup
K6KCI	2nd Place	DJ1TE	2nd Place
NO1DR/5	3rd Place	JA1YL	3rd Place
WA2NFY	-----	DL2FCA	DL2FCA
-----	-----	LA6ZH	LA6ZH
-----	-----	DL2SL	DL2SL

YLAP SSB		YLAP CW	
4X6DW*	8.736	WB1EHS*	652.5
DJ1TE*	8.365	WA1EDR	648
JA1YL*	4.233	AA7RT	637.5
AB4KL*	4.743	W1TGY	483
K6KCI*	4.702.5	JL1XWR	412.5
NO1DR/5*	4.641	KA0BAT*	382.5
AC4OQ	4.224	DK6FM	364
W2GLB/7*	3.580.5	N1HJI/KL7*	324
HB9ACO*	3.204	SM0HNV*	312
F1NVR*	3.168	K0GAS	260
HB9ARC	3.102	KB8RT/7	240
SV3AGQ*	2.964	N7KTY	214.5
DF4ZX	2.952	VK6DE*	210
GOEIX*	2.475	LA1LIA*	202.5
K6DLL	2.436	OZ5ABD*	136.5
DL2FCA*	1.836	DL5DYL	120
DL3LS	1.800	YO3FRI*	147
WA2NFY*	1.782	N7UTH	108
WA8YPY*	1.669.5	JE1NWB	72
KB6MXH	1.254	KL7FJW	27
PA3CEB*	1.200	G4EZI	12
V85BJ*	918	KA1LDS	9
KB9HJH*	855	WA8EBS	3
KN6BD	837	W4DEV	1.5
ZL1ALK*	810		

*Denotes certificate winners for SSB and CW.

Congratulations to all! Now get ready for the YL-OMI!

Certificates and Awards

CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Jeanette Ellis, NP2C, Custodian

June 1, 1992 to December 31, 1992

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CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS
NS2G.....5		KA1JC.....10		KF4NI.....15		WA0KVP.....20	
KM4HK.....5		WD4KIT.....10		WA4SRD.....15		K7YAG.....25	
AB4KI.....5		WA4YWK.....10		WA4WPO.....15		WA8WCK.....25	
N4QWN.....5		KA6STT.....10		WB6JVL.....15		NOHTH.....25	
KB5AIQ.....5		KE6ZH.....10		WA6UVF.....15		N0LDT.....25	
N5GGA.....5		KE6ZI.....10		AD7S.....15		K4AOH.....30	
N5QFN.....5		N8EEG.....10		K7SEC.....15		WA4BUW.....30	
KA5VOP.....5		N8GFK.....10		WD9DBB.....15		WA8ARJ.....30	
KB6DRB.....5		KA8GNR.....10		WB9RNF.....15		K8UKM.....30	
KB6VCR.....5		KA8MPH.....10		WB9ZBE.....15		K0KHR.....30	
KB7CTQ.....5		N0CBG.....10		N0GP.....15		K0WGL.....30	
WQ7V.....5		KA0KPV.....10		OE1YHA.....15		K0YJG.....30	
KA0ZIA.....5		DL3SAR.....10		ZL2QY.....15		VE3FEB.....30	
G4VBT.....5		PA3CEB.....10		WA1UVJ.....20		LA0CY.....30	
IK5DVI.....5		ZL1BI.....10		WA2DMK.....20		K2AGJ.....35	
JF7TYA.....5		WB1ARU.....15		WB4PXN.....20		K5BJU.....35	
PY1DVU.....5		WB1ATJ.....15		K6AYJ.....20		K5IMD.....35	
ZL2AGX.....5		WB1EHS.....15		WB6QVD.....20		W6MFP.....35	
5W1FM.....5		WB3EFQ.....15		AA6TK.....20		K2BBW.....40	

YLCC

Natalie Vincent, WA2RPQ, Custodian

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Manuel Greco, K2LFG	#663	1350
Earl P. Shobe, W7KOI	#160	1800
Heinz Buerger, DL1RA	#637	1800

Congratulations to all the above. I hope to hear from more of you. Please remember to answer those QSL cards that come in because there are those of us who are trying to earn our certificate, too.

33, Natalie, WA2RPQ

Beginnings - Part 1

by
Carol Hall, WD8DQG

"My heart pounded and my hands shook, Doris Smith, WD8IKC, of Canton, Ohio said. "My husband kept hollering at me to go ahead! What are you waiting for?"

She had sat in front of that radio for three months, copying every dit and dah. When she finally got her license, she was scared stiff of getting on the air that first time.

"I listened for a break," she said. "My wrist felt stiff as I grasped the telegraph key between my thumb and index finger and started tapping the letters of my call. One short, two long; then one long, two short.... All I wanted was to check in and out. When I took my hand off the keyer, it was shaking, and I was sweating."

What a relief, she confessed, when her call was acknowledged. "I had done it!"

It isn't difficult to get amateur radio operators to tell about their first experience or how they happened to get started. Doris is no exception.

There are many reasons women become radio operators. Some women became radio operators for the military or the merchant marine. Some, but not all, got into amateur radio because of their husbands. Some do it just for the challenge or to be different.

As we sat in her trailer and talked, the static of her radio crackled in the background. She reached behind for the mike and gave her call. "My signal probably won't get out parked under these trees," she commented. The voice on the radio asked the YL (young lady) to "come again," and she repeated her call slowly, using international phonetics. The net control acknowledged her check-in with no traffic.

"My husband wanted our son to get his amateur radio license," she explained. "I sat through the classes with them and decided I'd take the test. I passed! That was sixteen years ago."

"Now, with the new no-code license, you can get a license without learning the Morse code. Where is the challenge?" she asked.

Doris explained that a Novice license wasn't renewable. When her license was about to expire, she took the next higher exam until she got her General class license and phone privileges so she wasn't limited to Morse code.

"A Novice, until recently, could only work Morse code," she said. "And some Novice nets would run for three hours."

"When that first net was over," she said, "I heard someone calling me very slowly. I answered him, and he congratulated me on getting my license. He is still a good friend."



Doris Smith, WD8IKC

Doris said that she has made many friends on the air, and she enjoys talking to people on the radio. "It is even more fun to meet them in person," she said, "and put a face to a call or voice."

Doris, with a twinkle in her eye, said, "I'll bet you can't guess what the name of that net was. It was called the "Sloppy Fist Net." She explained that if you don't hold the key firmly, you can accidentally send too many dits. Novice operators are notorious for sending extra dits.

For many years, Doris has been the net control for the Buckeye Belles' CW net. She is very patient with new operators.

Doris has been the editor of The Burr, the Buckeye Belle's newsletter, and YL Harmonics. She is active on the Ohio Single Sideband System and the local amateur radio club.

Doris keeps a pictorial record of all the YL get-togethers she has attended and plans to add to that record in July at the YLRL Convention in Wichita, Kansas.

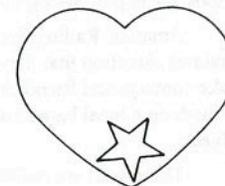
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N2QVM, Barbara Grebenstein, ex-KB2GIM	General
KA5FDK, Bernice Sellers	Advanced
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N4DTC, Dot and Hugh Beam	39th
K5BNQ, Doris and Andy Anderson	50th
W7FTX, Clarice and Ray Goodman	65th
WA8EBS, Eila and Jim Russell	70th
WD8DQG, Carol and Jim Hall	30th
WB0ZQZ, Harriet and John Micensky	50th



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N2AKC, Myrtle Farnsworth, was named Rooster of the Year
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 W2UGY, Bernice Hanrahan, received her 50-Year QCWA Certificate
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 WD8DQG, Carol Hall, received her bachelor's degree

Kids and Ham Radio = A Fun Hobby!

by
Ellie Van Winkle, N0QCX

Anyone who has ever worked with young people knows how much they enjoy "fooling around" and "hamming it up," as well as the incredible amount of energy and thirst for knowledge they possess. Now youngsters from the ages of 5 to 18 have the opportunity to "ham" it up in a different way!

More than fifteen girls and boys meet every Saturday afternoon at Rip, NV0M, and Ellie, N0QCX, Van Winkle's home, in Boulder, Colorado, to learn about Amateur Radio and basic electronics. They are all members of a group called BARC JR and are sponsored by the Boulder Amateur Radio Club. The BARC JR Club meeting is the third Saturday of the month, and the club has its own set of officers. The meetings include the planning of activities, events, and guest speakers. The rest of the time is spent doing activities as varied as the kids themselves.

Some time is spent learning Morse code and the technical information required to pass the different levels of licenses. The group currently includes kids that are pre-Novice level, up to General class, with a number of students working toward their Advanced and Extra licenses. They also learn electronics and can work on a variety of activities, in a group or individually, depending upon their needs and interests.

Designing and building needed equipment for use in Amateur Radio projects, as well as other electronic devices, is commonplace. Special attention is also given to developing correct radio operating skills, how to use the equipment properly, and what to look for in purchasing new or used equipment.

Amateur Radio offers these young people the opportunity to stretch their minds in whatever direction that they so choose. They can make friends over the radio locally or make contacts and friends all over the world. A number of the members routinely keep in touch on a local band, and they can often be heard discussing a variety of complicated subjects.

Those who are really interested in electronics find a big supply of wires, circuits, tubes, and other such "stuff" (along with the expertise of engineer Rip Van Winkle) an endless adventure. There seems to be a place in the group for everyone--no matter what their interest. None of this would be possible without the help of a multitude of Amateur Radio operators in Boulder County, who generously donate time, prizes, and equipment. A number of hams, including Dave, WA4TQB; Brian, N0TMP; Shannon, N0UEH; Randy, N0CD; Jan, KD0CU, and Don, KE0EE, work closely with the kids every week to help them achieve their personal goals.

These young people are learning skills and a hobby that will last their whole lives--they just think they are having fun!

Young Ladies Radio League, Inc. Statement in Changes in Cash For period ending September 30, 1992

	Checking/ Money Market	Scholarship Fund	Pres. Fund	Convention Fund	Total
BALANCE, 7/1/92	<u>26400.23</u>	<u>13073.16</u>	<u>420.53</u>	<u>2614.54</u>	<u>42508.46</u>
CASH RECEIPTS					
Donations-Sch Fund	16.00				16.00
Donations-Other	0.00	0.00			0.00
Dues	354.00				354.00
Interest Income	223.12	285.21	4.24	26.25	538.82
Miscellaneous	0.00				0.00
Postage	102.00				102.00
Sale of Supplies	75.25				75.25
Subscriptions	0.00				0.00
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	770.37	285.21	4.24	26.25	1086.07
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:					
YLH Printing	544.23				544.23
YLH Circ/Editor Exp	1402.85				1402.85
President's Expense	36.43				36.43
Vice-Pres/Contests	88.77				88.77
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Nominating Committee	0.00				0.00
California Fee	0.00				0.00
Membership/Publicity	90.36				90.36
Misc. Printing	0.00				0.00
Purchase of Supplies	0.00				0.00
Refunds	8.00				8.00
Scholarship Award	0.00				0.00
YLCC Postage	0.00				0.00
TOTAL CASH DISB.	2209.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	2209.64
INCREASE(DECREASE)	-1439.27	285.21	4.24	26.25	-1123.57
BALANCE, 9/30/92	<u>24960.96</u>	<u>13358.37</u>	<u>424.77</u>	<u>2640.79</u>	<u>41384.89</u>

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Help Support the YLRL Scholarship Fund!

YLRL is trying to build up the Scholarship Fund to assure that funds for future scholarships will be available. Can you help with this worthy project?

There will be a drawing at the YLRL Convention in Wichita, Kansas, on July 10, 1993, for a Las Vegas vacation. Donation tickets are \$1.00 each, and you do not have to be present to win. The Las Vegas vacation includes three fun-filled days and two fabulous nights for two at Vegas World Hotel and Casino, including over \$1200.00 casino betting action on arrival. Special benefits are:

- *A deluxe room for two for 3 days and 2 nights.
- *\$200.00 cash. Real U.S. currency to do with as you wish.
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SPECIAL MID-WEEK BONUS: If you arrive on Sunday or Tuesday to avoid the weekend crowds, you'll receive your choice of an extra \$100 in casino action (\$50 table action/\$50 slots) or, if available, an extra night's accommodations absolutely free, for a total of four days and three nights.

To Order Donation Tickets Now:

Write to Marte, KOEPE. Send your order and a check (made payable to "YLRL Scholarship Fund"), plus an SASE to receive the ticket stubs. Marte must receive your order by July 1, 1993. Each donation ticket is \$1.00.

Marte Wessel, KOEPE
R. R. 1, Box 73
Liberal, KS 67901

A Progress Check



\$2000
1750
1500
1250
1000
750
500
250

Marte reports that at presstime, there is \$676.00 for the scholarship fund. This is the amount clear, after the expenses. The goal is \$2,000. Can you help YLRL reach it?

Legend of the Geese

In the fall, did you notice geese heading south for the winter, flying in their customary "V" formation? If so, you might be interested to know what scientists have discovered about their flying habits.

As each bird flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the bird immediately following. Thus by flying in a "V" formation, the whole flock adds at least 71% greater flying range than if each bird flies on its own. **Basic Truth #1:** People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going quicker and easier because they are traveling on each other's thrust.

Whenever a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone. Hence, it quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird immediately in front. **Basic Truth #2:** If we take a tip from the geese, we will stay in formation with those who are headed the same way we are going.

When the lead goose gets tired, he rotates to the back and another goose flies point. **Basic Truth #3:** It pays to take turns doing hard jobs, with people or with geese flying south.

The geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed. **Basic Truth #4:** We respond to encouragement from others.

Finally, when a goose gets sick or is wounded by a gunshot and falls out of formation, two geese fall out with him and follow him down to help and protect him. They stay with him until he is either able to fly or until he is dead. Then they launch out on their own or join another formation to catch up with their group. **Final Truth:** If we follow the example of geese, we will stand by each other like that.

(From Breaking New Ground, Winter edition, '92 Purdue Univ Ag Engr Dept)

Nominations Open for YLRL Officers - 1994-1995

Have you been thinking about taking a more active part in YLRL? Don't wait for someone else to nominate you. Your friends may not know that you are willing to serve, and in any case, we all hate to volunteer someone else for any job. So--volunteer yourself! The Nominating Committee needs candidates for the following positions: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Disbursing Treasurer, Receiving Treasurers (four), and a District Chairman for each district.

A nomination acceptance form is on the other side of this page. If you are willing to run for office and have been a member of YLRL in good standing for the required length of time (two consecutive years immediately prior to taking office for all positions except for the District Chairmen, who must have been a member for one year prior), please fill out the form and mail it to a member of the Nominating Committee. If you are unable to arrange for five YLRL members to sign your form but are interested in a position or if you know of someone you feel would enjoy fulfilling the duties of an office, please contact a member of the committee and let her know.

A sincere interest in the well-being of YLRL and the required length of time as a member will qualify you for leadership in YLRL. Act now and take an active part in determining YLRL's future! **Basic Truths #1, #2, #3, #4, & the Final Truth** (above) apply!

YLRL Nomination Acceptance Form

I _____ accept the nomination for the office of _____ of YLRL for 1994-1995.

I have been a member of YLRL since _____ (month & year) and have been a licensed radio operator since _____ (year).

My family consists of OM _____ Call _____

Jr. Ops _____ My former calls _____

My club affiliation is _____ in which I have held these offices: _____

I belong to these YL nets and round-tables: _____

I have held the following offices in YLRL: _____

Date _____ Signed (name and call) _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

We, the undersigned members of YLRL, nominate the above named candidate for the office of _____ to serve YLRL in 1994-1995.

Endorsement of five YLRL members:

1. (Name and call) _____
2. (Name and call) _____
3. (Name and call) _____
4. (Name and call) _____
5. (Name and call) _____

Send this form to one of the following members of the Nominating Committee. It must be received by April 10, 1993.

Carol Iams, W8WRJ, Chairman, 7246 Andover Drive, Mentor, OH 44060

Miriam Lamb, AA2DX, Drury Lane, Highland Falls, NY 10928

Joyce Kepler, W5MWK, 1010 Southwood Drive, DeSoto, TX 75115

Norma Griffin, N7GLQ, 2000 West Flint Street, Chandler, AZ 85224-4205

YLRL needs YOU!

Don't delay. Renew today.

Use the forms on the next page to renew your membership and keep up with YL activities. (Renewal forms and the convention registration form were placed together, so you can photocopy both at one time, if you prefer not to remove the pages.)

And remember, you will help YLRL function better if you renew promptly. Individual reminders are not mailed unless you have become delinquent, and this is costly to YLRL and means extra work for the Receiving Treasurers and the Circulation Manager.

If you have moved recently or changed your call sign, please mention this when you renew.

Our Constitution, By-Laws, and Procedure Policy state that only one year's dues can be paid at a time. Please be sure to send the correct amount to your Receiving Treasurer.

- \$8.00 - One year's dues, with bulk mail delivery
- \$12.00 - One year's dues, with first class mail delivery
- \$2.00 - Family member, at same address
- \$16.00 - One year's dues for DX, air mail delivery

YLRL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM - March 1, 1993 to February 28, 1994

Name _____ Call _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip _____

Check one: \$8.00 regular member, bulk mail (USA only)
 \$8.00 + \$4.00 for 1st class mail in US (Required for Canada/Mexico)
 \$2.00 family member, residing at same address - No *YLH*
 \$8.00 subscriber \$12.00 subscriber, 1st class mail

If family member, give name and call of primary member _____
 _____ (Please fill out a renewal form for each family member.)

Make your check (U.S. only) or International Postal Money Order (in U.S. funds)
 payable to the Young Ladies' Radio League, Inc., and send to your Receiving Treas:

Districts 1-4.....Jean Chittenden, WA2BGE, R. R. 2, Box 2105, Syosset, NY 11791

Districts 5-7.....Elizabeth James, KA6NZK, 8118 Arroyo Vista Dr, Sacramento, CA 95823

Districts 8-10.

KH, KL, VE.....Roxann Moss, NO9W, R. R. 1, Box 103A, Downs, IL 61736

Mexico and U.S.

Possessions.....Lorraine Witkowski, WA1EDR, 10 Wicklow St, Windsor Locks, CT 06096

YLRL DX YL MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL-March 1, 1993 to February 28, 1994

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 you sponsor.

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

DX YL's Name _____ Call _____

DX YL's Address _____

Province/District _____ Country _____ Zip _____

Sponsor's Name _____ Call _____

Sponsor's Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Check one: \$16.00 for Air Mail \$2.00 for family member (U.S.)

If family member, give name and call of primary member _____

Send to: Lorraine Witkowski, WA1EDR, 10 Wicklow St, Windsor Locks, CT 06096

**YLRL Convention 1993
 Wichita, Kansas - July 8-11, 1993**
Registration Form
GENERAL REGISTRATION:

Registration, Get-acquainted Social, Banquet - \$40.00@ # _____ \$ _____
 (Includes one ticket for prize drawing)

Sunday's Farewell Brunch - \$10.00@ # _____ \$ _____

TOURS:

Tour A, Friday - \$33.00@ # _____ \$ _____

Tour B, Friday - \$33.00@ # _____ \$ _____

OM Tour, Saturday - \$33.00@ # _____ \$ _____

OPTIONAL:

Group photo - \$10.00, if mailed to U. S. address # _____ \$ _____

\$12.00, if mailed overseas # _____ \$ _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED

\$ _____

I'd like to buy a T-shirt (Estimated cost will be \$12.00 - \$15.00.) Yes _____ No _____

Size: Large _____ X-Large _____

I expect to stay at the Wichita Hilton East Hotel for _____ nights, and I will arrive on _____.

I will be rooming with: Call, if any: _____ Name: _____

I would like to have a room mate.

I am a smoker. I am not a smoker. Doesn't matter.

NAME: _____ CALL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CONVENTION TREASURER:

Karla Holmes, WA1UVJ/4
 3912 SE First Place
 Cape Coral, FL 33904-4803

Make checks payable to "YLRL 1993 Convention Fund." Include your callsign on the check.

YLRL Convention 1993

YLRL President Dana Tramba, N0FYQ, is serving as the Convention Chairman, and Deborah Brauser, N0KZR, is the Co-Chairman. Dana has selected the Wichita Hilton East Hotel, at 549 S. Rock Road, Wichita, KS 67207, as the meeting place.

Room rates are \$55.00 for one bed, and \$65.00 for two or more beds, plus tax. Up to four people may share a room at the \$65.00 rate. A block of rooms will be held until 30 days before the convention begins. The Good Sam Campground (1-800-782-1531) is close to the convention site. Tell them you wish to park with the YLRL group.

The radio station will be set up on July 8 (Thursday) to begin the convention, and this special event station will operate until July 11 (Sunday). Sharon Minor, KD0XR, will be in charge of this station, and she plans to have special QSLs made.

Of course, the registration table will be open all day Thursday, as well as Friday, and a couple of hours on Saturday. Jan Scheuerman, WB2JCE, has kindly offered to oversee the registration table, and she would like to hear from you, if you can help.

A get-acquainted party is scheduled for Thursday night. There will be a cabana room for our hospitality room, which will have tables, and the crowd of YLs can overflow into the courtyard, where there are extra tables and chairs to sit and visit, surrounding the pool.

Two tours are scheduled for Friday. Both will go to Shepler's, the world's largest western-wear store for an hour of shopping. Lunch will be at the Pasta Mill, and then both groups will tour the Alan Lambe House, which architect Frank Lloyd Wright characterized as, "one of my best prairie houses." It was built in 1917 for Henry J. Allen, owner of the *Wichita Eagle Beacon*, a governor of Kansas, and a U.S. Senator. The home has recently been restored and opened for tours.

Then Tour A goes to the Botanica, and Tour B goes to the Historical Museum. Both tours will return to the hotel by 3:00 p.m., and there will be free time to shop until the cash bar and DX festival on Friday night. Each tour is \$33.00.

Mary Ketzler, WO9R, is responsible for the DX program on Friday night. If you would like to be on the program, please contact her.

The YLRL Forum will begin on Saturday morning. After the Forum, there will be free time until our cash bar and banquet on Saturday evening. The banquet is included in the price of the registration. A group photo will be taken on Saturday and mailed later, at a cost of \$10.00 for mailing in the U.S. and \$12.00 for overseas. A farewell brunch on Sunday will be the last event.

There will be a tour for the OMs on Saturday to the Hutchinson Cosmosphere, with a side trip to the Yowell (Cleon, AD6P, and Laura, N0LQQ) antenna farm in Haven, Kansas. The trip, including lunch, is \$33.00. All tours must have 40 people or be cancelled 30 days prior to the convention.

Diane Van Kirk, KF0LV, is the Prize Chairman. Please contact her if you have prizes to donate or if you can assist her.

The Convention and Visitors' Bureau will send you information on things to see and do while traveling through Kansas, if you call them at 1-800-288-WICH. In Kansas, dial 1-800-288-WICHITA. Sunflower Travel is the official travel agency, and you can make reservations through them, if you like. Continental is the official convention airline and will offer special convention rates.

News of YLRL Members

Several of the DX YLs have sent seasons greetings and best wishes to all YLRL members for a wonderful new year. Among those received was a beautiful card from Nomi, 4X6DW, and her OM Ran, 4Z4KB, reading, "To all YLRL members and family, a healthy, peaceful, and happy new year."

Constance, G8LY, sent a card with a similar message and added a note that she is on 14, 21, and 28 MHz, working CW, when the bands are open, although there never seems to be enough "free time," a feeling we've all shared!

Lia, LX1TL, also sent greetings and best wishes to all YLs. She's now in southern Spain, and her many friends hope that she is enjoying the warm sunny weather. Doesn't that sound like a nice place to be right now?

And Sakuntala, VU2SAK; Sitsa, SV3AGQ; DF3BN, Lydia, and Anita, DK1HH, sent seasons greetings and best wishes for a very happy new year to all of you.

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Several YLs are already busy making swaps for the YLRL Convention next July. Hazel Cain, K9QGR, and Clarice Goodman, W7FTX, have really been working hard, and each of them has already completed a hand-crafted gift to be given to every YL at the convention. Hazel may not be able to attend the meeting, but we hope she can be there. Clarice is planning to attend, and she is featured in the latest YLRL Scrapbook, which will be on display there. Her local newspaper, in Hamilton, Montana, published a very nice article about Clarice recently, entitled, "Darling of the Airwaves."

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Pictured at left is Jane Clarkson, K3FRG, dressed as Betsy Ross, at the Halloween Party, held at the Immaculate Mary Home, where she lives in Philadelphia. Jane is on two meters every day. Sylvia, W3SLF; Jane, K3ZDN, and Bert, K3TNP, are able to visit Jane.

(NOTE: This photo and others used in *YL Harmonics* are added to the YLRL Scrapbook, unless there is a request to return them..)

Photos and articles about YLRL members are always needed for *YL Harmonics* and for the scrapbook. Send them to WA0WOF, the current Editor and Librarian-Historian.



District News

First District

Anne Manna, WB1ARU

Happy new year! I hope that everyone had a blessed holiday season despite the many unhappy events occurring around the world.

WRONE held its Fall Luncheon in Seekonk, Massachusetts, with excellent attendance. The luncheon was hosted by Betty, KA1JKV, with help from Hennie, KA1JVN. Many enthusiastic new members were present, as were several long-time members who hadn't been able to attend for awhile.

The 1993 WRONE officers were announced, as follows: President, Hennie, KA1JVN; Vice-President, Eleanor, N1FJR; Secretary, Betty, W1VYH; Treasurer, Ruth, N1JDU, Hospitality, Sandy, KA1TLP, Net, Dawn, K1TQY, and Membership, Dot, W1TGY. Also serving are Chatter Editor, Cheryl, N1GPM; Chatter Circulation, Kit, WA1WQM, Scrapbook Custodian, Jean, K1TVT, and Certificate Custodian, Helen, KB1NX.

By the way, if you have never received a WRONE certificate, why not make an effort to do so in 1993? It is attractive and can be earned by confirming contact with six members in at least three different states. A seal is added for confirmation of all six New England states. Contact Helen Fowler, KB1NX, 114 Beard Road, New Boston, NH 03070.

My new year's resolution is to get on the air more often, especially for the YL nets and maybe even the contests. First, however, I'll have to learn how to operate our new radio! My OM Tony, WA1ENO, and I gave ourselves an after Christmas present of an FT-1000! It replaces the Heathkit SB-104A that we built in 1977 when I first got my license. Quite a change in technology!

If you'd like to know more about what's going on in 1-land, send me some news and encourage someone else to send some, also! Some of you must have upgraded or passed a theory test or bought a piece of gear or worked someone interesting or won a contest or had a baby or got a new job or moved or? The next deadline is February 20.

33, Anne, WB1ARU

YLRL Signs and Symbols

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Clara, W2RUF, signed "33" even before YLRL was founded, and it was officially adopted by YLRL in 1940. "33" means, "Love sealed with friendship between one YL and another YL."

QRV

Anita, W8TAY, suggested "QRV" (I am ready) as our official slogan in 1940.

Second District

Miriam Lamb, AA2DX

I certainly hope all of you survived the "storm of '92" reasonably intact! Wasn't that something? I lost my ground-mounted vertical, which was really due more to my own carelessness than anything else. It snapped right at the ground because I had not protected the "pole" sufficiently in that area, as suggested in the manual. Moral--read the manual carefully! We spent the Christmas holidays with our son and family who are stationed in Panama so reconstruction has been delayed. Hope to get it back up soon though, because I can't get on any of the SAYLARC or MARS nets.

I received such a nice note last fall from Jeanie, WA2BGE, but, unfortunately, it was right after my column was sent to Kay. But some of her news certainly bears repeating. "I received my DXCC Honor Roll status in the spring, with 318 confirmed countries. I was thrilled to have done it in ten years. 251 of those countries were done on a vertical and no amplifier to assist me. From 251 to 318 were done with a tower, a beam, and an amplifier. I can tell you the challenge was just not there. I felt much more satisfied with the so-called handicap of a 10' vertical ground-mounted because the DX club said it couldn't be done. I showed them!" Congratulations, Jeanie, from all of us!

Trudy, K2UXW, writes that she has not been on the air as much in recent weeks as she would have liked because she has been taking care of her husband Roy, who first suffered a stroke and then had other surgery. She reports he is improving slowly but surely, so she'll be back on the air little by little. She usually manages the Monday net, however.

Guides on the Air (GOTA) is definitely fixed for February 20-21, 1993. Contact Cathy Hrischenko, VE3GHJ, for details at 2 Dalmeny Rd, Thornhill, Ontario L3T 1L9. I urge you to invite a Girl Scout troop into your home to join the fun.

I need your input for the Nominating Committee of which I am a member. We will be nominating officers for a 2-year term to begin in January, 1994. We need candidates for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Receiving Treasurers, Disbursing Treasurer, and District Chairmen. If you have any suggestions for YLs for any of these jobs, or if you yourself would be interested in any of them, let me know, and I will carry it from there. I should mention that Jeanie, WA2BGE, has indicated her willingness to continue as Receiving Treasurer for Districts 1-4 (which will complete ten years of service in that job for her!), and I would be happy to continue as the Second District Chairman. Let me hear from you, please. Your thoughts and ideas in this area are most important.

I don't like to end my column with sad news, but at the same time, I know that all of you would wish to join me in extending our deepest sympathy to Minerva, WB2JNL, upon the death of her 18 year-old granddaughter Heather in a tragic automobile accident in early December. Words simply can't express how one feels at such terrible news, can they? I know Minerva would love to hear from those of you who know her.

Don't forget to keep me posted with any and all news you have about yourself or friends. If you enjoy reading about others in this column, then you know how they would enjoy reading about you!

33, Miriam, AA2DX

Fourth District

Jensen Montambault, KC4GPZ

Greetings once again to my fellow YLs of 4-land. I am in my waiting-for-spring mode while I enjoy my month long siesta from school. College at good ol' UVA is turning out to be even more fun than I expected. It is still incredible to me that I can find out the answer to any question by simply asking my professors. Of course, sometimes the answer is, "We don't really know," but they still have a lot of info packed away in the libraries, lectures, and colleagues. Our teachers are generally very patient with us "first years" though I am certain that we must at times try them sorely.

My roommate has been very tolerant of the two-meter ground plane, dangling from a hook in our ceiling. She said she had been a little wary when I mentioned setting up an antenna in our room, but it is nicely inconspicuous in a corner, and she never sees it. Wait until she gets a load of the 40-meter dipole I plan to tack to our ceiling!

Classes went well for the first semester. I am trying out what amounts to a "major of the week" style schedule. And, luckily, we do not have to declare our major for another year. So far, I am looking towards English, Environmental Sciences, and Astro-Physics. Nothing like a little variety.

Jo, WB4NKO, has kept me well up on her news. She reports that she and her OM Roy, WB4JFG, took the RV and went down to Paul E. Johnson State Park, below Hattiesburg, MS, in the latter part of October to meet one of Roy's Air Force buddies and his wife. They report a great time in a beautiful place, with about 300 acres of lake. Jo was bitten by fire ants while picking up some of the huge Mississippi pine cones. The bites were quite painful at the time but have now healed. Thank goodness! She wants to wish everyone all the best for the new year.

Apparently, Jo was the only busy member of the 4-land YLs. If any of you can break the shrieking silence of the district news, by all means, drop me a note. I really appreciate getting the news, though I know it is sometimes hard to get around to sending it. I may be a little late in responding, too, as all my mail must be laboriously passed through my Dad, KC4GQA, on to my dorm. (I don't bother with forwarding because UVA is really quite close to the home QTH.)

I hope you all have had fantastic starts to the new year. Best of luck in all future endeavors!
73 and 33, Jensen

Convention Kit Custodians

Districts 1, 2, 3, and VE	WA2URE, Marcella Kessler (716) 464-8885
Districts 4 and 5	WB2JCE, Jan Scheurman (813) 542-6507
Districts 6, 7, KH, and KL	N7NJS, Roberta "Beanie" Lofthouse
Districts 8, 9, and 10	NO9W, Roxann Moss (309) 378-4032

Fifth District

Joyce Kepler, W5MWK

Alma, AB5BA, and her OM Jim, K5BRJ, were awarded a certificate from the Temple Amateur Radio Club. The TARC fellow hams and central Texans gratefully acknowledged their exclusive effort for Ham '92. The certificate was signed by Warren Hart, AA5YI, Mike LaFan, WASEQQ, and the Directors.

Doris, K5BNQ, has had a lot of health problems in her family. Her grandson had cancer surgery. Doris fell and broke her leg, and now her OM Andy, W5IWL, has been diagnosed with prostate cancer. He will have surgery on January 6. Doris and Andy celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1992 with a Caribbean cruise.

Myrt, WB5FGM, and OM Ed, WB5FGN, took their son-in-law Lee, WA5QQQ, and their grandchildren out for Thanksgiving dinner. This was the first time Myrt and Ed had been able to get together with them in a long time.

Evelyn, KC7ET/5, is at her winter home in Pharr, Texas. She enjoyed the Stars' Christmas dinner, which is attended by from 150 to 200 hams in the valley.

Linda, WD5FMP, is now able to get around on her own. She broke her good leg back in August.

Margaret, K5MXO, and OM Bill, K5MMP, visited her sister Alice and her OM Gene, WB5BPY, in Carolina, Puerto Rico. They had a side trip to literally cover the U. S. Virgin Islands. On St. Thomas, there was a protest going on due to the Japanese ship carrying plutonium. One sail boat's horn blew, then gave a "CQ" on the horn. Margaret gave the OK sign, then he gave his call--PAORON. The trip continued to St. John. They met Jeanette, NP2C, on St. Croix, and she took them to lunch with a bunch of hams. They also saw the NASA radio telescope at Areciba. Margaret's sister is quite ill, and we will keep her in our prayers. She is due to have serious surgery shortly.

Jodie, N8ALJ, sometimes N8ALJ/5, writes that she is enjoying her new home back in Champaign, Illinois. She gets to see her daughter Molly a lot more. Jodie also had a good visit with her son Dan, his wife, and grandson. He is a real cute little gent. Jodie's winter address is 1727A Lakeside Drive, Champaign, IL 61821.

Darlene, WD5FQX, let us know that her OM Joe is slowly recovering from his recent stroke. The stroke affected his left side, but he is able to walk with a walker. You're in our prayers, Joe. We hope it won't be long until you can go without the walker.

Harryette, W6QGX, enjoyed her trip to California for the YLRC-LA Christmas party and a visit with her daughters. She found it was colder than she expected.

Liz, K5DLI, is doing well. She has not been able to be on the air. Liz sends greetings for the new year. 33, Joyce, W5MWK

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The 4-land convention kit has gone astray. It was forwarded to a group in 5-land and was to be sent on to another group. If you have it, please return it to Jan, WB2JCE.
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Sixth District

Le Henderson, KB6MXH

Vada, W6CEE, sent me a note saying that her article, "Amateur Radio: How to Get Started," has been accepted by Home Education Magazine, for the January-February, 1993, issue. This will be the second article that she has had published in that magazine.

Celebrating their December birthdays together at a lunch in Pacifica were Sue, KA6SOC, Mike, W6KHM, and Esther, W6BDE. They were joined by Elsie, WA6GQC, Vera, WA6PKP, Dorothy, WA6LIZ, Elaine, K6SZT, and Le, KB6MXH.

Barbara, N6CBN, was an excellent hostess for the YLRC-LA Christmas party. Among the fifteen YLs and 3 OMs attending were Martha, W6QYL, and her OM Noel, who brought Nell, NB6A. Nell's OM Donald recently suffered a stroke. And all the way from Arkansas was Harryette, W6QGX. Everyone enjoyed the good food and fellowship. The YL-OM Luncheon is set for February 13th.

This year brings many YL activities worldwide. JLRS, ALARA, BYLARA, and YLRL, among other YL groups, have contests scheduled. And for eyeball QSOs, there are the Asian YL Meeting '93 in April, the YLRL convention in July, and the ALARA gathering in October. Get involved in the contests and maybe even attend at least one of the conventions.

News was very scarce this time. Please drop me a postcard telling of your Amateur Radio activities.
33, Le, KB6MXH

Editor's Note: Several YLs really did check into YL Open House to ask Irma about her gingerbread house, as suggested in the last issue of *YL Harmonics*. Irma has told them and wants everyone else to know that the house was decorated by Margaret, KC6PRB, and the photo was taken by Joan, WA6QKC. Wasn't it a great gingerbread house and photo? Thanks to all three of you, including Irma (who only takes credit for mailing the photo, when asked).

And just a reminder: YL Open House meets at 1900 UTC, every Wednesday, at 1900 UTC, or 1800 UTC, during DST, on 14.288 MHz. And YL Tangle Net meets at 1800 UTC, every Thursday, on 14.298 MHz. These two nets are the best places to get the latest YL news about meetings, contests, and other activities, and they're also good places to make contacts for some of the YL awards. Check in when you can!

YLRL Logos

In 1954, YLRL held a contest to choose a cover design for *YL Harmonics*. Vi, W2JZX, was the winner with her Girl-on-the-World, and it has been used since then.

YLRL's diamond emblem was designed by our founder Ethel, K4LMB, early in YLRL's history. Ethel also chose the colors of deep blue and silver.

Seventh District

Norma Griffin, N7GLQ

It was a thrill to meet many of you at the QCWA Convention in Scottsdale, AZ, in October. Phyllis, W2GLB, made arrangements for a QCWA/Cactus Keys dinner at the Brown Derby, the hotel restaurant. Forty people attended the dinner. They were: Deacon, K4YTB; Harold, W1EES; Gladys, W1VPF; Joe, N1JS, and Diane; Leo, K1QPJ; Lorraine, WA1EDR; Milt, W1EFW, and Kay; Maxine, K4KUU, and Virginia; Ann, K9RXX; Betty, W2PVS; Adah, W9RTH; Karen, WA0NNC; Sandi, WA6WZN; Fried, WA6WZO; Don, KA6DJK; Vi, W6CBA; Stoney, WA6PEX; Jerrie, K6INK; Ethel, K4LMB; Myrna, KG7JQ; Ruby, W7JZA; Bob, K0LFI, and Barbara; Beulah, W6NLM, and daughter Margaret; Esther, W6BDE; Roxie, K6ELO; Agnes, W6MFP, and Barbara; Irma, K6KCI; Gladie, XYL of W7JH (sk); Marte, KOEPE; Pete, WOCM; Bill, W2GTX; Phyllis, W2GLB; Lee, KB8RT, and Norma, N7GLQ.

The Cactus Keys have been busy. First, sixteen YLs and 7 OMs met for a luncheon on November 18th, at Sir George's Restaurant, in Mesa. Inez, WB7USZ, showed slides from her and OM Frank's forty-five day cruise to Italy and the Middle East on a freighter.

Then, on December 5th, the Keys set up a table under the leadership of Beth, KA7AKK, at the Superstition Hamfest. This year, the Hamfest was held at Mesa Community College. Afterwards, nine YLs and four OMs had lunch at a restaurant across the street from the college.

1993 officers for the Cactus Keys are: President, Rosie, KC7NL; Vice-President, Maria, KB7INH; Secretary, Norma, N7GLQ; Treasurer, Leanna, KB8RT; and Directors, Ruby, W7JZA, and Inez, WB7USZ.

Ruby, W7JZA, shared a newspaper article entitled "Girls Own Amateur Stations" from the Arizona Republican, now the Arizona Republic, from the February 19th issue in the early 1930's. At this time, there were 232 licensed YLs, of which 190 lived in the U.S. At the end of the article, it lists thirty-two YLs from New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, California, and Utah, and Ruby is there. Her call at the time was W6BRI. Another YL listed is W6EK, Flora Card (Bowers), now N7OPI. She was Ruby's first CW ham contact, and 60 years later, they finally had their first eyeball QSO!

Please send news to me by February 15th. Would love to hear from you!

Best wishes for a fruitful 1993. Hope everyone had a wonderful and safe holiday.
33, Norma, N7GLQ

Remember The 10th BYLARA Contest will be held at 1900-2200 UTC, Feb 11, and 1000-1300 UTC, Feb 13. General rules are in *YLH* #5, p. 4.

And YLRL's YL-OM Contest begins at 1400 UTC, Feb 13, until 1700 UTC, Feb 14, for the SSB portion. The CW portion runs from 1400 UTC, Feb 27, until 1700 UTC, Feb 28. See pp. 3 and 4 of the Directory issue for complete rules.

Eighth District

Carol Iams, W8WRJ

The CHIX (on Six and Two) had a very nice Christmas Party on December 19th, at the QTH of Byrness, KA8GNR. Several of the husbands (Roosters) joined us, partly because I still can't drive because of the broken ankle. Jim, my OM, had to chauffeur me to the party. The pot-luck was loaded with wonderful food, as always, and a fun white elephant exchange followed.

Zip, K8UKM, has been hospitalized recently, with pulmonary embolism, and we sent her a card. We surely hope she is better now.

Donna, KB8YS, Betty, KA8JVL, and Doris, WD8IKC, met on November 19th for lunch and had a nice time together. Donna recently moved to South Carolina. Doris' brother is very ill.

Dot, W8MBI, mentioned on the Buckeye Belle Net that her sister has also been very ill.

The check-ins to the Buckeye Belle Net on December 29 were Dot, W8MBI, (Net Control); Doris, WD8IKC; Kay, WD8DLB, checking in from Florida; Jean, WB8FIC; Sally, N8EEG; and myself, Carol, W8WRJ. Each wished everyone a happy and prosperous 1993.

At the Findlay Hamfest in September, eighteen gals checked in at the YLRL table, including Marilyn, N8BFI, from Michigan, who had fun camping next to Doris, WD8IKC, and her OM Stan. Connie, WD8MIO, from Marietta, and Sally, N8EEG, from Athens, probably came just as far.

At the October meeting of the Greater Cincinnati Amateur Radio Association, President Carol, K8DHK, and her husband John, N8FU, were elected to the Hall of Fame in the Greater Cincinnati Amateur Radio Association. 33, Carol, W8WRJ

Editor's Note: Carol, WD8DQG, has been even busier than usual this past year and has several milestones to reflect upon, now that she has a bit of spare time. She writes, "On December 19, after 35 years of repeated excursions into academia I finally completed my B.S. degree in English and Journalism." Her husband Jim and her sons were there for the graduation ceremony, and in the afternoon friends and neighbors came in to help celebrate. Other events in 1992: (1) Carol missed the Dayton Hamvention because it fell between review week and finals, but the following weekend, after finals, she and Jim took off for a long weekend to celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary. (2) In June, Carol and Jim went to Baltimore to see their daughter-in-law Krysten perform in a stage production of "Superman," and they did a lot of sightseeing in the area. (3) Her son Matthew, a chef at the University of Michigan, was married in August, and he and his new wife began preparations for a mission to India. (4) After the wedding, Carol and Jim, their two border collies, their son Dan, his wife Krysten, and their dog Betsy, all headed for Kansas, towing Dan's car behind Jim and Carol's brand-new motorhome. After visiting Jim's family and Carol's family, Dan and Krysten left for Baltimore, and Carol and Jim went on west. Along the way, they visited Marte, KOEPE, and Pete in Liberal, and went on to a ham swap in Albuquerque, then on to Santa Fe, Taos, Las Vegas, and Colorado, where they met some other hams. (5) Carol found time to write some articles about YLs, which will be appearing in *YL Harmonics*.

Tenth District

Lorrie Loeffler, WD0AGY

Edge of Space Sciences is a Colorado non-profit corporation that promotes science and education through Amateur Radio and high altitude balloons. EOSS provides the balloon and the shuttle for each experiment that high school or college students have proposed, built, checked out, and launched.

Amateur Radio TV, packet, camera, and beacons for the transmitter (fox) hunters are also all on board.

Even junior high students and Scout troops have become involved in various aspects of setting up a ground station. In actual fox hunting, students learn to use a compass with a direction finding antenna and plot the various angles the balloon is moving. The students have also plotted time, altitude, and temperature readouts.

One high school group has formed a radio club.

It's real exciting to be a YL that's involved in this. The students are excited about the hands-on "stuff" that they get to experience.

We also have had a few times where students have gotten involved in the public relations end of things by interviewing the hams at the launch site.

Country-wide, a number of groups have turned to balloons for educational purposes, so EOSS will be sponsoring a balloon-Amateur Radio symposium this year. Look for more details later.

Any launch information and frequencies are sent out to packet bulletin boards. I hope you can monitor us. 73, KA0ZFI (NOTE: The above information was sent to Lorrie by Ann Trudeau, KA0ZFI. We hope to have more about Ann's experiences with this group in future issues.)

All YLs within two-meter range of Kansas City should listen for the K. C. Metro YL Net, on Sunday evening, at 8:00 p.m. local time, on 147.09 MHz. Mary, N0TIH, is Net Control, and she asks all YLs to check in to visit and let everyone know what's going on. Everyone is welcome.

Kay, WA0WOF, is looking forward to the Asian YL Meeting '93, to be held in Osaka, in April. She and Lia, WA2NFY, will meet in Los Angeles for the flight over, and they're both trying to learn a little more of the Japanese language. Nozomi, JH3SQN, and some of the other JA YLs have planned some additional sightseeing in Nara and Kyoto after the meeting ends on April 5, which sounds very nice.

A partial list of some of the other YLRL members who are going includes Carol, KK5L; Jeanie, WA6UVF; Flo, KU7F; Nellie, XE1CI; Christa, DJ1TE; Gerda, DL5OBK; Helene, HB9ACO; Greta; HB9ARC; Ruth, IT9ESZ; Ruth LA6LH; Tuulikki, OH7XX; Dieuw, PA3CEB; Marja, PA3CIS, and Rajja, SM0HNV. Rajja's friend Kate, from Stockholm, will also be there.

REMINDER: Please send your 1993 dues to your Receiving Treasurer now.

Canada

Marge Rippin, VE1VCH

Thelma, VE3CLT, writes that she has been busy this summer with two grandchildren getting married and two great-grandchildren arriving into this world. She had a great trip to Fiji, New Zealand, Australia, and Hawaii. We haven't heard Thelma on the YL nets, as Wednesday she square dances and Thursday, she plays Euchre. In May, she is off on a 35-day Grand European Tour Cruise. It's nice to hear from you, Thelma. Do tell us about your cruise. We'll look for that news this summer.

I see that Bobby, VE7CBK, attended the Sky High Hamfest. I'd like to hear from you. When my OM Russ was in the V.G. Hospital, I've never forgotten how faithful you were each night to take the time to patch me to Jeanie, WA6UVF, Marge, WB6JVL, and many others to keep in touch as to his health. I'll never forget this, Bobby, and now, thanks again.

To our CLARA members who have served faithfully and well during the past years, I would like to personally say thank you for a job well done. We forget at times the hours of labor involved in these positions. To Jeanne, VE2JZ, our out-going president, it has been my pleasure to work under you, and I appreciate all the letters and help you have been with the CLARA tapes. To our new president Cathy, VE3GJH, who is a very capable and experienced member in the CLARA organization, I am looking forward to working with you, and I hope I can contribute to make your job a little easier. To Pauline, VE3LQA, our editor for eight years, you have more than done your duty with your hours of service. To our new editor, Vicki, VE7DKS, I know the job is in good hands. To an old associate of YLRL and CLARA, who acted as nominating chairwoman, Elizabeth, VE7YL--good job!

My OM Russ, VE1VCG, and I arrived in Zephyrhills, Florida, on November 13. We had a good trip, with some rain, but our only misfortune was to lose the emblem off the hood of the Buick at a motel. It seems they are quite a prize for bolo ties or belt buckles. I hope that whoever has it enjoys it for it will cost us \$50.00 for a new one.

While writing this news, I had a landline from Jeanie, WA6UVF. What a nice surprise! Thanks, Jeanie. Did you notice how long I can talk when you are paying the bill? It was great catching up on Hemet news.

Thursday is our Zephyrhills dinner and Christmas meeting. Just can't seem to get any of these YLs interested in becoming members of YLRL.

To one and all, I do wish you a happy and healthy 1993. Don't forget Guides on the Air (GOTA) on February 20-21, 1993, with Cathy, VE3GJH. 33, Marge, VE1VCH

Silent Keys

We are saddened by the loss of these YLRL members:

Myrtle Cunningham, WA6ISY, YLRL President in 1976 and longtime member
Helen Morrison, W6OSL, YLRL President in 1949-50 and longtime member

Our heartfelt condolences to these YLRL members:

Minerva, WB2JNL, whose granddaughter was killed in an automobile accident
Jo, WB4NKO, whose mother died on November 15



DX YL News

Lorraine Witkowski, WA1EDR



Many thanks to Mary for the wonderful job she has done as DX Chairman and the help she has given me to get started. I look forward to this position as an officer of YLRL. But most of all, I look forward to getting acquainted with all the DX YLs and their sponsors.

I have been a licensed amateur for 29 years and a member of YLRL for a number of years. I have been active with our New England club (WRONE), holding most of the offices, including President. I was also editor of WRONE's *Chatter* for a few years. I have earned DXCC, WAS, WAC, YLCC, and DX-YL. I am also a member of Q.C.W.A. I attended only one YLRL convention, the one in Washington, D.C., and I look forward to attending the 1993 convention in Kansas. My OM Leo, K1QPJ, licensed for about thirty-four years, has taught me all I know about amateur radio.

We really enjoy traveling and have participated in twenty-two Elderhostel programs and six Interhostel programs, which took us to Galway in Ireland, Sweden, Portugal, Trier in Germany, Mexico, and the Inland Passage to Alaska.

I hope sponsors and DX-YLs will write to me often with their news, and I will try to be of help in any way I can.

Introducing New DX YLs:

Sylvie M. Heyse, N7TXP, from Cons-la-Grandville, France, was licensed in 1989. She is married to Joachim, DK8DU. Her former call was KB7JJD. Sylvie's occupation is Prof. teacher, and she holds a Tech Plus license.

Barbara O'Connor, V85BJ, from Brunei, Borneo, was licensed August 4, 1992. She is married to Brian, V85EB, and they have two daughters. Her first call was VK2GTX. Brunei is a small sultanate on the northwestern coast of Borneo. Barbara enjoys learning about the radio and computer. Her usual operating times are 0000-0300 UTC, Monday to Friday, on 10 and 15 meters. She's also on 20 meters, from 1200-1400 UTC, most days. Her father was VK2CFS, now a silent key. Her mother is VK2NFS, and her brother is VK2KFS, with whom she often chats on 21 MHz. Brian works in the Telecommunications Department of Brunei Shell Petroleum. Barbara's QSL manager is her brother, VK2KFS, in Sydney.

News from DX Members:

Alenka Celik, ex-YT3YL, informs us with great pleasure that she has a new prefix, "S5," as Slovenia is now a new DXCC country. Her new call is S59YL, and her OM is Boris, S57AN. She sends greetings to all members of YLRL, and hopes to hear you all on the air soon.

Gerda Jacobs, DL5OBK, sends thanks for her membership card. She attended Interradio '92 in Hannover, about 30 km from Hildesheim. This is a yearly meeting in Northern Germany, including a YL weekend. YLs also came from Lower Saxon by

bus. They have sold several kinds of handmade things for the past eleven years, with the proceeds going to the Orthopedic Training Center in Ghana. She sends her best wishes to YLs and hopes for good contacts in the future.

Fumiko Okazaki, JA6VWV, sends her thanks to the always good officers in YLRL. She sends a photograph of four YLRL members who attended the JLRS 6th Area Meeting, which was held on October 25, in Kagoshima, a very beautiful city in Kyushu. Standing is Fumiko, JA6VWV, and seated, left-to-right, are Nobuko Uchiyama, JR6XIX, Yajuko Tanaka, JF11ZM, and Kuniko Iha, JH6BFF. Thank you for the photo, Fumiko.



Marina Paulic, DL5DYL, sends thanks for her membership card. She was licensed seven years ago, is 32 years old, but is not on the bands too often. Her OM is Andy, DL3VHF. They have two children, a daughter Anja, 10 years old, and a son Tim, 4 years old. She has been studying at a school for engineers and will take an examination in July, 1993, so she has no spare time. She attended the Interradio Fair also and had a wonderful time. Marina extends very best wishes to all YLRL members for a happy new year.

Edeltraud Kunkel, Y23UB, sends thanks for her membership in YLRL. She is very busy with Young Peoples Amateur Radio. Edeltraud is the specialist advisor in DARC in her district. In 1992, they had a course on packet radio and a course for young people (youth workers). On September 20, 1992, they founded "Youth of Radio Amateurs." In July, she was with a youth group at a camp. In 1993, she will travel to OZ-land with young people from her district. Edeltraud plans to be QRV in packet radio soon. She likes YL and DX nets and contests, and she also likes awards and chasing DX.

Renate Krause, DJ9SB, writes that for three long months she had no rig, but it is now working again. She sends all members wishes for a happy new year.

Ursula Buerger, DL3LS, writes that they live in the mountains, so during this time of the year, they live out of the freezer and food she has stored in the cellar. It's a good time for amateur radio. In the spring, they went to Bad Birnbach in Bavaria, next to Rugen, a beautiful German island in the Baltic Sea. Then they took their camper out and visited their relatives in East Germany. They also did some gardening and, in autumn, went for three weeks to Bad Birnbach and then to the convention of the German 75 meter YL net. When Ursula returned home, she found her last card needed for WAS-YL, the state of Wyoming. She hopes to have this certificate as her Christmas present. Ursula and Henry, DL1RA, wish everyone a super 1993.

Anny Jenk, HB9YL, wishes all YLRL members a happy new year!

Welcome to These New Members

AB4KL Mildred Wadler, 315 Nautilus Ave, Daytona Beach, FL 32118
 KJ5GM Cleo D. Phillips, 2030 Saratoga Blvd, Corpus Christi, TX 78415
 N7TXP/Sylvie Heyse, 2 Chemin Du Haut Luat, Ugnay, Cons-la-Grandville, France
 V85BJ Barbara O'Connor, Seria 7082, Brunei via Singapore (Barbara also holds VK2GTX, P. O. Box 62, Northbridge 2063 NSW, Australia)

Renewals - After Publication of Directory

DJ0MCL Olga Schumacher, Vogesensterasse 34, W-7842 Kandern, FRG

Changes:

N1FJR Add chg: RR 2, 113 North Rd, N. Yarmouth, ME 04097
 KA2CKS Add chg: 15A Berry Hill Rd, Oyster Bay Cove, NY 11771
 KQ4GQ Add chg: 628 Semaht St, Charleston, SC 29412
 WA4IWM Add chg: 3621 Sunset Beach Dr, Venice, FL 34293-2950
 WB2JCE/4 Add chg: 5103 Sunnybrook Ct #3, Cape Coral, FL 33904-5854
 KB5AIQ Add chg: P. O. Box 810550, Dallas, TX 75381-0550
 NS5H Add chg: 10418 Burr Oak, San Antonio, TX 78230-4320
 NS5T Add chg: (Winter) Country Roads 1002, 5707 E. Hwy 80, Yuma, AZ 85365 (Summer) Elsie Rt Box 749, Seaside, OR 97138
 N5UDJ Correct callsign for Bobette Doerrie, RR 2, Box 72, Booker, TX 79005
 XE1MMJ/5 Maria's new callsign is NOTWV. Her new address is listed below.
 KD6CHB Correct spelling of name is Claire Doucette
 KD6CLE Add chg: 361 Elmira St, El Cajon, CA 92019-2136
 KA6ZYF Add chg: P. O. Box 1489, Santa Monica, CA 90406-1489
 KU7F Add chg: 30606 3rd Ave South, Federal Way, WA 98003
 N7JWM Add chg: 2117 East St, Winslow, AZ 86047
 KC7NL Rosemary's new zip code is 85743
 N9ALC A new address is needed for Dot Truhlar.
 N8ALJ/9 Add chg: (Winter) 1727A Lakeside Dr, Champaign, IL 61821-5537 (Summer) 2679 Lakeshore Dr, Holland, MI 49423
 N9MRE Add chg: 5818 Downers Dr, Downers Grove, IL 60516-1117
 NOHTH Add chg: 11866 County Rd 4 N, Nisswa, MN 56468
 KB0IWC Add chg: 409 W. 8th St, Ogallala, NE 69153-1311
 N0TWV Add chg: P. O. Box 1876, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147
 DL3YBV Karin's correct zip code is W-4280
 GORHL Add chg for Diane Cardell (ex-ZS5DC): 22 Millview Rd, Heckington Sleaford, Lincs, NG34 9JP England
 S59YL Add chg for Alenka Celic (ex-YT3YL): Country is now Slovenia
 VK3KYL Correct spelling of name is Phyl Burstal
 VK5AOV Add chg: 7 Thiele Rd, Murray Bridge, SA 5062, Australia (Meg's packet address is VK5AOV@VK5WI.#ADL.#AUS.OC)

NOTE: Please remember that all YLRL club affiliation applications go to the secretary!

Happy Valentine's Day!