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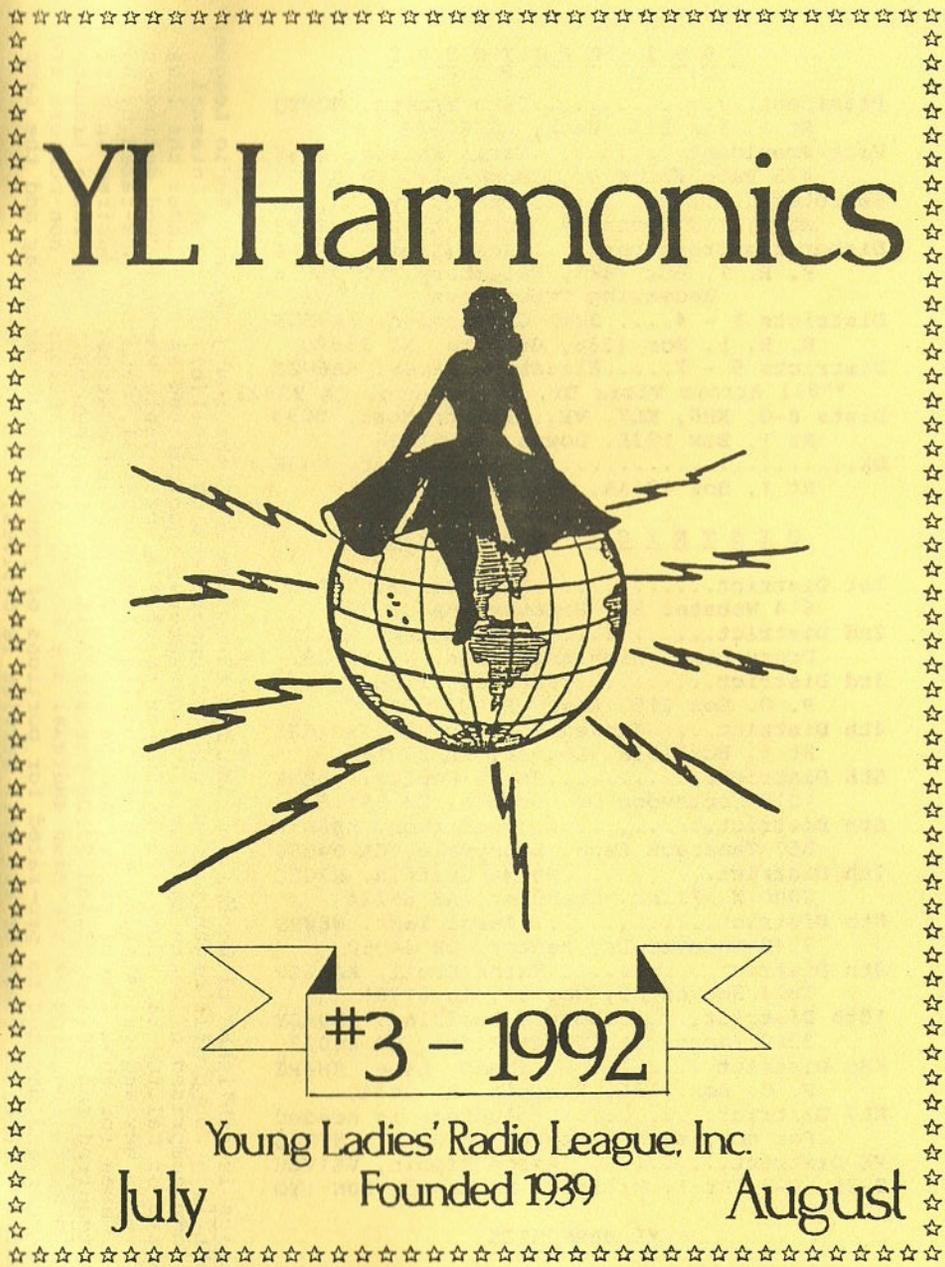
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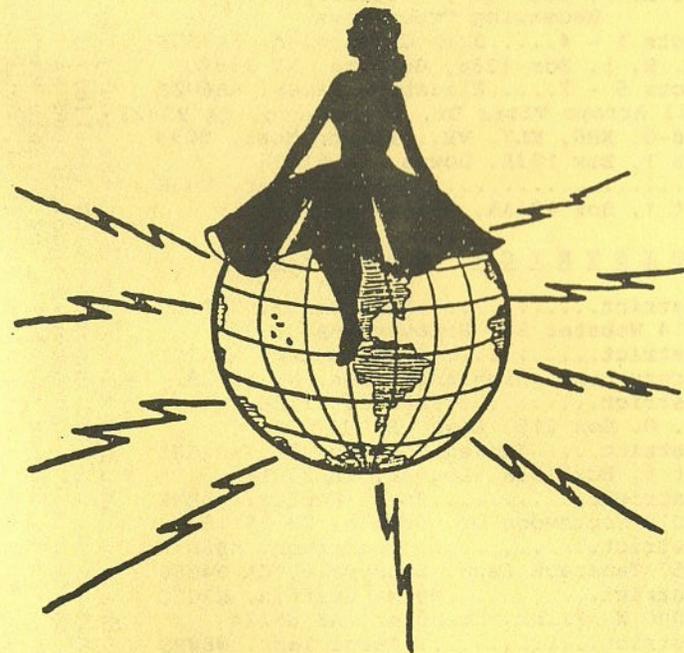
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# YL Harmonics



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# The President's Message



Dana Tramba, N0FYQ

Dear Friends,

I went to a delightful luncheon in Mesa, Arizona, with a dozen of the Cactus Keys on May 28. I did not realize what a big part they played in YLRL. We had Phyllis, W2GLB, Chairman of the Affiliated Clubs; Norma, N7GLQ, the Seventh District Chairman; Lee, KB8RT, WAC-YL Certificate Custodian, and Phyllis, K7SEC, our Membership Chairman.

Isn't it amazing how ladies with such varied backgrounds, such as school teachers, computer experts, nurses, ladies in the electronic industry, those who love CW, and women who just enjoy the coffee club nets can come together as strangers and leave as friends! All we really had in common was that we were all licensed amateurs.

It gets me even more excited about our convention next summer. I promise we will have plenty of time to socialize and get acquainted with each other, and we will have Kansas hostesses there to see that nobody is overlooked and that everyone has a good time. If President Bush wants world peace, he just needs to appoint a few of us YLs to his Cabinet. We could show him how to do it! Hope your year is full of health and happiness, and we will see you in July!

33, Dana

P.S. I need someone to take over as Publicity Chairman for YLRL, as Judi does not have the time to do the job any longer. Please drop me a line if YOU are interested in doing this. We are also in the process of finding someone to take over Mary's job as DX Chairman/Receiving Treasurer #4.

It's also time to be thinking of YLRL's next slate of officers, who will take office on January 1, 1994. The members listed below are on the Nominating Committee and would like to hear from you. Please consider serving YLRL!

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**Come see me in '93!  
YLRL Convention in Wichita, Kansas  
July 9 - 11, 1993**

# Certificates and Awards

## CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Jeanette Ellis, NP2C, Custodian

May 1, 1992 to June 30, 1992

Phone: 809/773-9643 FAX: 809/773-6574 (24 Hour)

CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS
WB2MGP	5	N2FEW	10	WB7EZI	15	K1OKC	30
KB4NWM	5	KA5CMB	10	WB9UAE	15	K6ELO	30
AA5AI	5	KA6SOC	10	WB2JNL	20	W6KHM	30
KA5CRK	5	KC8CN	10	WA3GBJ	20	WA7IVA	30
JH3SRJ	5	AD1P	15	WB8FIC	20	4X4NW	30
PA3ENL	5	WB5WRD	15	WA3FWI	25	K6HHD	35
N2AKC	10	WB7AKR	15	K6S2T	25	KOHEU	35



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AA2JO, Bobbie Newman, ex WB2BHS	Extra
KO4OC, Sharon Duvall	Extra
KC6LEK, Laura Walker	General
KA7KRW, Guinevere Richter	Advanced
KBOISD, Leanna Gordon	Advanced

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

K1IIF, Ruth and Jack Barber, celebrating their 50th  
WA7RVA, Ruth and Dick Bennett, celebrating their 50th

## GRADUATIONS

WB9TDR, Marilyn Allison, from William Rainey Harper College

## SPECIAL HONORS

K5JFJ, Julia Young, elected President of QCWA Chapter #41  
K6KCI, Irma Weber, elected President of the YLRC LA  
XE1CI, Nellie de Lazard, has worked All YL Five Band WAS

# YLRL Contest Corner

FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT

CARLA WATSON, WO6X

## 1992 DX-YL to NA-YL CONTEST RESULTS

### SSB WINNERS

NA  
 WD8MEV.....GOLD CUP....DJ1TE  
 WA2NFY/K6DLL...2ND PLACE...DL2FCA  
 WB1EHS/KB8RT/7.3RD PLACE...SM5EUU

### CW WINNERS

NA  
 DX  
 WD8MEV....GOLD CUP....DL2FCA  
 WA8YPY....2ND PLACE...LA6ZH  
 AC4IL.....3RD PLACE.....

### COMBINED HIGH SCORE WINNERS:

CORCORAN AWARD - WD8MEV

HAGER AWARD - DL2FCA

#### SSB

WD8MEV.....168\* DJ1TE.....750\*  
 WA2NFY.....60\* DL2FCA.....195\*  
 K6DLL.....60\* SM5EUU.....148.5\*  
 KB8RT/7.....24\* G4EZI.....144  
 WB1EHS.....24\* GM4YMM.....84  
 WA8YPY.....18 ZL1ALK.....30  
 AC4IL.....15 SMOHNV.....18  
 FN7TXP.....3

#### CW

WD8MEV.....126\*  
 WA8YPY.....63\*  
 AC4IL.....45\*  
 WA2NFY.....24  
 DL2FCA.....132\*  
 LA6ZH.....27\*

\*Certificate winners

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please make sure that your contest logs are sent to the current Vice-President and that they are postmarked not later than 30 days after each contest.

### SUGGESTED 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

There are some changes in frequencies on 10, 20, and 80 meters. 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, especially on 40 and 80 meters.

### CONVENTION CALENDAR

Aug 8-9	High Cascade (OR)	Mary, W7RGD
Aug 20-23	ARRL National (CA)	Vi, W6CBA
Aug 14-16	WIMU/Rocky Mt ARRL (UT)	Beanie, N7NJS
Oct 2-4	ARRL - Boxboro	Anne, WB1ARU
Oct 16-18	ARRL-PACIFICON 92 (CA)	

## YLRL SPONSORED CONTEST - HOWDY DAYS

1400Z, Wednesday, September 9, 1992 to 1700Z, Thursday, September 10, 1992

You may operate any 24 consecutive hours of the contest period.

ELIGIBILITY: All licensed women operators 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.

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

All logs go to WO6X and must be postmarked not later than October 10, 1992.

## AUSTRALIAN LADIES' AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION CONTEST

ELIGIBILITY: All licensed operators throughout the world are invited to participate. Also open to SWLs.

OBJECT: Participation: YL works everyone; OM works YLs only. One contest (combined phone and CW), to run for 24 hours.

STARTS: Saturday, November 14, 1992, at 0001 UTC

ENDS: Saturday, November 14, 1992, at 2359 UTC

SUGGESTED FREQUENCIES: Bands to be used are 3.5, 7, 14, 21, and 28 MHz only. The following are suggested frequencies for easier location of contacts: 28.380 to 28.410; 21.190 to 21.200; 21.380 to 21.410; 14.250 to 14.280; 7.070 to 7.100, and 3.560 to 3.590.

OPERATION: Phone and CW operation. Each station may be counted twice on each band for credit—once on phone and once on CW. All contacts must be made in accordance with operator and station license regulations. No net or list operation, no crossmode.

PROCEDURE: Phone: Call "CQ ALARA Contest." CW: YLs call "CQ Test ALARA." OMs call "CQ YL."

EXCHANGES: ALARA member: RS or RST, serial number, starting at 001, ALARA member, name. YL non-member or OM: RS or RST, serial number, starting at 001, name.

SCORING: Phone: 5 points for ALARA member contacted; 4 points for YL non-member contacted, and 3 points for OM contacted. CW: Contacts where at least one operator is Novice class count double points, otherwise same as phone. SWL: 5 points for ALARA member logged; 4 points for YL non-member logged.

LOGS: Single log entry (but Australian YL Novices entering for the Mrs.

Florence McKenzie CW trophy should indicate their CW score separately also). Logs must show date/time UTC, band, mode, callsign worked, report and serial sent, report and serial number received, name of operator of station worked, and points claimed. Two trophies and several certificates will be awarded.

LOGS MUST BE SIGNED: Logs also to show full name, callsign and address of operator, and show final score (points claimed). Logs must be legible. No carbon copies. No logs will be returned. Decision of the Contest Manager will be final. Logs must be received by the Contest Manager by Dec 31, 1992.

CONTEST MANAGER: Mrs. Marilyn Syme, VK3DMS, P. O. Box 91, IRYMPLE. 3498, VIC. Australia.

### THE 21st JLRS PARTY CONTEST

PHONE: Start Saturday, September 26, 1992, at 0300 UTC  
End Sunday, September 27, 1992, at 0300 UTC

CW: Start Saturday, October 3, 1992, at 0300 UTC  
End Sunday, October 4, 1992, at 0300 UTC

PURPOSE: JLRS shall sponsor the Annual JLRS Party Contest to promote the activity of women amateur radio operators and to further cooperation.

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

OPERATION: All bands and all modes may be used in accordance with operator and station licenses. Cross-band operation is not permitted. All contacts must be made from the same location. Net contacts and contacts with mobile stations or club stations will not count.

PROCEDURE: OMs call "CQ YL." YLs call "CQ Contest." CW: "CQ Test."

EXCHANGE: OMs: RS or RST and QSO number, starting at 001. YLs: RS or RST and QSO number, starting at 2001. JLRS members: RS or RST and QSO number, starting at 5001. Separate consecutive QSO numbers must be used in Phone and CW contests.

ENTRY: Entry in each contest is limited to one of the following classes:  
A: More than four bands B. Less than three bands

SCORING: 1. Phone and CW will be scored as separate contests. Submit separate logs for each contest. 2. Each contact with the same station on different bands will be counted. 3. OMs: Score 1 point for each contact with a YL, 5 points for each contact with a member of JLRS. YLs: Score 1 point for each contact with an OM, 5 points for each contact with a YL. 4. Multiply the number of contact points by the total number of different prefixes worked in each band.

LOGS: Copies of all Phone and CW logs must show claimed scores, band, mode, RST, callsigns worked and power transmitted, be signed by the operator, and be postmarked not later than October 20, 1992. Be sure your log is legible. Please print or type. Send logs to the Contest Custodian, Nobu Araki, JA3SMQ, 1-12-9 Shibusani Ikeda, Osaka 563 Japan.

CERTIFICATES: All participants will receive a Certificate of Contest Participation and a list of the result of the contest in January, 1993. Then stickers shall be added to the certificate at every participation for ten years from the issue of the certificate.

FREQUENCIES: 1.9075-1.9125; 3.505-3.530/3.525-3.565; 7.010-7.030/7.030-7.080; 14.040-14.080/14.150-14.280; 21.040-21.120/21.200-21.400; 28.040-28.150/28.200-28.700.

### Young Ladies Radio League, Inc.

#### Statement in Changes in Cash

For period ending March 31, 1992

	Checking/ Money Market	Scholarship Fund	President's Fund	Convention Fund	Total
<b>BALANCE, 1/1/92</b>	<u>19146.70</u>	<u>13025.74</u>	<u>411.36</u>	<u>2557.70</u>	<u>35141.50</u>
<b>CASH RECEIPTS</b>					
Donations-Sch Fund	-	21.00	-	-	21.00
Donations-Other	-	-	-	-	0.00
Dues	7230.00	-	-	-	7230.00
Interest Income	230.66	47.42	4.38	27.14	309.60
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	0.00
Postage	1956.00	-	-	-	1956.00
Sale of Supplies	82.50	-	-	-	82.50
Subscriptions	32.00	-	-	-	32.00
<b>TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS</b>	<b>9531.16</b>	<b>68.42</b>	<b>4.38</b>	<b>27.14</b>	<b>9631.10</b>
<b>CASH DISBURSEMENTS:</b>					
YLH Printing	2154.14	-	-	-	2154.14
YLH Circ/Editor Exp	1085.02	-	-	-	1085.02
President's Expense	0.00	-	-	-	0.00
Vice-Pres/Contests	98.16	-	-	-	98.16
Secretary	-	-	-	-	-
Receiving Treasurers	300.00	-	-	-	300.00
Disbursing Treasurer	53.36	-	-	-	53.36
Supplies Chairman	-	-	-	-	-
Librarian/Historian	-	-	-	-	-
Nominating Committee	-	-	-	-	-
California Fee	-	-	-	-	-
Membership/Publicity	16.50	-	-	-	16.50
Misc. Printing	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase of Supplies	10.13	-	-	-	10.13
Refunds	42.00	-	-	-	42.00
Scholarship Award	-	-	-	-	-
YLCC Postage	38.88	-	-	-	38.88
<b>TOTAL CASH DISB.</b>	<b>3798.19</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3798.19</b>
<b>INCREASE(DECREASE)</b>	<b>5732.97</b>	<b>68.42</b>	<b>4.38</b>	<b>27.14</b>	<b>5832.91</b>
<b>BALANCE, 3/31/92</b>	<u><b>24879.67</b></u>	<u><b>13094.16</b></u>	<u><b>415.74</b></u>	<u><b>2584.84</b></u>	<u><b>40974.41</b></u>

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Jan 1 - Mar 31, 1992

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Joan Gibson, KG1F  
Disbursing Treasurer

## The Big Clean-Up

by

Diane VanKirk, KFOLV

Ready for bear. Armed with the best and most expensive equipment, I stood facing the closed door of the shack, believing I was truly prepared to take on the task of cleaning. This was a job saved for a day when all the other housework was caught up, or at least as caught up as it could get. This was a job saved for a day when the windows could be opened up all the way, when the OM was at work, and when the kids would be at school all day. It was going to be a big job. I had geared myself up for this one day all week. Saving this room for last, I was determined to put everything in its proper place. My heart was beating hard. I knew it was going to be the challenge of a lifetime. Taking a deep breath, I opened the door....

It had been awhile since I really looked in there, and the scene that faced me reminded me of the aftermath of a tornado. If I could have thought of anything else to do in those first few seconds, I would have closed the door. But this was something that had to be done. It would not get any better by putting it off.

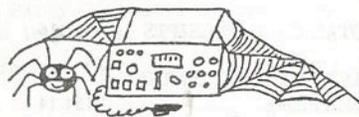
Books, QSL cards, envelopes, scrap paper, screwdrivers, soldering gun, solder, nuts, bolts, maps, pencils, and who knows what else lay in every corner. Somewhere there should be a desk and bookshelves, but where? I felt defeated even before starting. Maybe I should take a couple of aspirin now. Where would be a good place to start? There's no sense in dragging in the vacuum and the rest of my arsenal, so I just dropped it at the door.



There's the bookshelf. Can I get to it? It's fairly empty so I guess that would be the place to start dusting. Then maybe I can get some of these things off the chair, desk and floor. My working will stir up dust so opening the window should be my first priority. Taking a deep breath, I step into the shack.

Something happened to me as soon as I entered the room. It almost felt magical, as if I had stepped into a different world. None of the other rooms in the house had this effect on me. This room was full of excitement and activity. It felt electrical. I could see my OM at the desk, trying to get through a pile-up. The radios are off. I didn't really hear that "CQ YL," or did I? Enough of this. You are here to straighten the shack up! Get that trash bag and dust cloth and get busy!

Trying to shake off the strange feeling, I tackled the shelves. I could at least get the books and magazines in order. Gathering up several arm loads, I began sorting through



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the different titles. Books went up first on the shelf. No problem with them--there aren't any pictures on the cover to look at and tempt me. Some of the magazines are old. Look at how little they cost back thirty years ago! Black and white pictures on the covers. "Steady yourself, girl," I tell myself. "Don't get distracted." Why does he keep all these? Maybe some of them can go into a box and to the basement. There aren't enough shelves in this house to hold all of them! He won't miss this stack. Why not just get rid of them? You just can't imagine some of the thoughts going through my mind at this point. Wait a minute. Look at this article. The magic is getting stronger in the room. I can feel it. "Remember what you came in here for? Keep your mind on the cleaning. You can read later."

Picking up another stack of magazines, I discover one of my old QSL cards. Holding it in my hand, I'm sure I hear "CQ YL," but the radio is still off. I remember that first contact. My hand was shaking so much it's a miracle that OM could copy my CW at all. I can still feel the thrill of the first phone contact. Did my voice crack or was it just my imagination? It's the magic, and it's getting stronger in the shack.

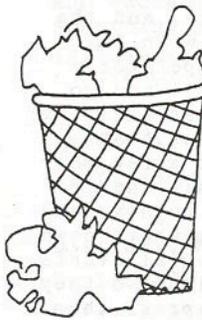
How long has it been since I've been in here? Not just to run another sandwich and iced tea up to my OM, but to really enjoy the excitement. I force myself to carry on with the cleaning. How can he let it get like this? Why doesn't he put all this stuff away when he's done with it? Remember, once upon a time you did the same thing. Are you so busy with other things now that you forgot?

Where's the tool box? Actually, it's just an old tackle box, but at least it's someplace to keep all these odds and ends. I probably ought to find a place to keep it laying open. That way, I can just toss screwdrivers, needlenose pliers, and anything else in as I find it. I can clear a spot on the desk. "CQ YL." There it is again. Should I turn on the radio, just to listen? It's kind of quiet in here, and it won't hurt to have some company. No, better not.

Okay, now back to the tools. On the desk, under the desk, beneath the log book, between the gear...he must be using this for a bookmark. Slowly, but surely, I'm making some progress.

What in the world is this gizmo? Well, in the box it goes. Won't he be thrilled when he comes home tonight and sees what I've done? This really isn't turning out to be as bad as I had figured. It feels good to be back in here; it must be the magic working. "CQ YL."

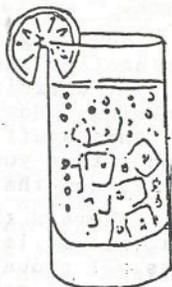
All these pieces of scrap paper. Surely they can be tossed in the trash. Just gather them up and pitch them out. Wonder where that call is from? Here's one with a DX address, and here's one with information on that hamfest coming up. I probably ought to hang on to these, but the rest....Oh, wait. He was asking me a couple of days ago if I had seen these



figures for that antenna he wants to build. Maybe I'll just get a couple of shoe boxes or something and put all these notes in them. Maybe I can convince him to go through them later. Well, the trash bag is still empty, but at least it's picked up.

I'll bet there's no other shack in the world that has so many pieces of wire, coax, connectors, and whatever else laying around. Why in the world is he hanging onto this one? It's only about 10" long. If I throw it out though, next week he'll "need" it. I'd better get another box and load all this junk in it. There's that meter he got at the last hamfest. He only paid fifty cents for it. The guy told him it didn't work. Into the box it goes. Was it two years ago he had that swap table at the hamfest? "Gonna get rid of some of this stuff," I can still hear him say. He did, but then he ended up bringing home two tables worth of junk that he bought from other people. I was pulling my hair, but he was like a little kid at Christmas with all the "new" stuff. "CQ YL, CQ YL." It's getting stronger and stronger.

Maybe I can take a short break now. I'll get something to drink and see what I need to work on next. There's still a pile of stuff over there in that corner to work on. You know, with any luck, I should have most of this done by early afternoon. There will be plenty of time to get dinner started, pick up the kids from school, and get to the store. I can't believe the phone hasn't been ringing. It seems like when I really want to get something done, someone is always calling. "CQ YL, CQ YL, CQ YL."



The tea tastes good, and I really am making some progress in here. There used to be a YL net on about this time. Maybe I could just listen while I finish picking up. It's somewhere around this frequency. It's been so long...yeah, there they are. Okay, back to work now. That box over there is covered with about an inch of dust, and it almost makes me sneeze when I take the lid off. That's where all my QSL cards are that came in the mail. There's the one from that special events station. My OM was so anxious to get in on that one, and the pile-up was huge!! He would always get frustrated when he didn't get through, but I could, just because the operator could "hear that YL, YL only, please repeat your call and go ahead." Look, here's my first DX card! Now that was exciting! I called everyone on the repeater and told them about that contact. The magic is really getting strong. Just a few more minutes, that's all. It's fun looking at these again and reminiscing. There's the one from back in my home county. We talked for about an hour, at least. Let's see, somewhere down in the bottom of this box, there should be some special events certificates. I always meant to put these in an album so they wouldn't get wrinkled. If I just lay them out and press them flat...gee, there must be a couple dozen or so.

Hey, isn't that the YL from up in 2-land I used to talk to



every couple of weeks? They are really enjoying themselves on the net. "CQ YL, CQ YL..." Yeah, that was her. I wonder if she still remembers me. I'll just break in for a few minutes and see what's been going on with her. I have to remember to keep it short though. This room needs to be done.

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Whoever said, "Time flies when you're having fun" must have been a ham. I just heard the front door slam and the kids calling. It can't be that late already. I know I just sat down here a couple of minutes ago. We were having such a good chat. There was a bunch of us YLs visiting, and, of course, I was bragging on how much better the shack looks--except for all the papers on the floor, and the log books, and the pound of paper that I just took notes on, and the empty glasses. "Got to go, girls. I have just 'a few' things to finish up before my OM gets home. 33."

Actually, it looks about like it did when I first opened the door this morning. Get all those certificates up and back in the box with the QSL cards. Well, at least I did get the dust off the top. Better leave the box out though. Tomorrow I'll put them in the scrap book. Get the papers up, but I need the addresses for the new YLs to send QSL cards to. By the way, where are my QSL cards? Must be in the bottom of the desk. If I just empty out this drawer...here they are. Need to leave them out, on the desk, along with the log book and my notes.



G4EZI

Now if I can remember where I put the callbook. It was here earlier today. Just move a few of these things over here and look under this stuff. Here you are. Tomorrow, a couple of us are going to get together first thing. We've got some recipes to swap. Better go get the recipe box and cookbooks and leave them here too. Extra paper and pens need to be handy. Well, it's just a "little" cluttered.

Tomorrow, after our QSO, I'll do the rest of the dusting and vacuum. I wonder if my OM would mind new curtains in here. Something with a little frill, not too much though.

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### Convention Kit Custodians

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- Dist 1-3, VE.....WA2URE, Marcella Kessler (716) 464-8885
- Dist 4-5.....WA2JCE, Jan Scheurerman (813) 542-6507
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- Dist 8-10.....NO9W, Roxann Moss (309) 378-4032

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**First District**

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**Anne Manna, WB1ARU**

Field Day has come and gone. Now I hope I can sit down to write without falling asleep! I heard many YLs on the phone bands, more than I remember in previous years, I'm happy to say. My OM Tony, WA1ENO, and I are members of the Capeway Radio Club which operates Field Day Wompatuck State Park in Hingham, Maine. We had a great time, as usual, with only a short rain (lightning) delay.

Since the school year ended just before Field Day, I've only been on the Yankee Lassies Net once, but it was a terrific net with lots of check-ins. Jean, K1TVT, and I found out we have something in common. Our wedding anniversaries are on the same day--June 24!

Last issue I mentioned that Dot, W1TGY, was busy planning for a bike-athon. Dot and her OM, W1JTH, Phil, have been coordinating communications for the American Lung Association TREK ACROSS MAINE since it began eight years ago. About 32 hams provide communications for approximately 600 bikers along the 185-mile route from Sunday River Ski Area to Rockport. Dot and Phil are year round volunteers for ALA at the Augusta office and work on the Trek committee once a month.

In other news from Maine, Barb, WB1EHS, wrote about activities that she and her family have been into. She and her OM Jack, WB1APD, are enrolled in a course given by the Institute of Field Ornithology in August to learn about the seabirds of the northwest Atlantic. It will include at least three boat trips, weather permitting, as well as lectures on the Machias campus of the University of Maine. Barb's son participated in a canoe race in the Adirondacks in June. When he finished, he saw a YL operating and commented that she reminded him of his mother. One thing led to another, and when he gave his mother's call, she said, "Oh, you must mean Barb!" The small world of amateur radio--it was Bobbie, AA2JO (ex-WB2BHS, recently upgraded to Extra), who used to check in frequently with the Yankee Lassies! Barb and Bobbie first met on the air in 1977.

Everyone has a raccoon story, but here's one from Blanche, W4GXZ, with a ham radio twist. This coon climbed their tower, walked hand over hand on the wire to the bird feeder, knocked it down, broke the glass, and ate the food. The next night, he knocked the top off the bird bath, climbed the flag pole, knocked down the tube feeder, ate the food, and almost put the feeder in the lake. The next time he knocked it down, he carried the whole thing off, and it still hasn't been found. Blanche is wondering where he hid the thing, but she can't go out searching until she recovers from some foot surgery and can walk more comfortably.

I also had a nice note from Vera, WA1JYO, after hearing her on the net last Wednesday. She mentioned that her former adoptee, Greta, OE6YHG, became a SK last fall, although she did not learn the news until February when Greta's son wrote her. It really came as a shock to Vera since she had no idea that Greta was sick. They had corresponded for many years and talked on the air twice. Greta had TVI problems and couldn't get on the air much, but she wrote lovely letters about her travels and activities. Vera had really enjoyed their friendship.

Look how interesting the news is when I get some! There's no district news next time, so I expect all kinds of good stuff for the November-December issue.

33, Anne, WB1ARU

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**Second District**

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**Miriam Lamb, AA2DX**

Seems as if I barely received the May/June *Harmonics* with my column it when I had another letter from Bobbie, ex-WB2BHS. You may remember in that issue I said she had upgraded to Advanced and was busy working on her Extra. Of course, you guessed it--she is now AA2JO. Heartiest congratulations, Bobbie. When I talked to her on the SAYLARC net shortly after she upgraded, she said she was sorry there weren't any more "grades to climb," so to speak.

A note from Bobbie this week said she had laryngitis the day the new call arrived so she couldn't get on the air to tell anyone. But her voice cleared up enough for her and her OM Al to help with 2-meter communications for a 44-mile canoe race in the Tupper Lake area. Bobbie and Al were stationed at the finish line. When the race was over, one of the participants came over to chat about ham radio with them. It turned out to be the son of Barb, WB1EHS.

Congratulations are also in order for Carli, WB1BTJ/2, who upgraded to General! What fun to have her able to join us on the SAYLARC nets. After all, she is President. Our only advice is--"Keep going, Carli."

Carli was interviewed recently on a TV program entitled "Talking Amateur Radio." The host was Steve, WA3RKB. Needless to say, she plugged amateur radio and the role of women in it.

There was not a whole lot of news this time, ladies, but what I had was the best kind--two upgrades. Let's hear it from some of the rest of you.

33, Miriam

Miriam also enclosed a short article from SAYLARC's Chirp about the adventures encountered by some of the members enroute to SAYLARC's meeting in West Point in April.

Lia, WA2NFY, boarded an Amtrak train in Rochester with her trusty handheld. She heard about a derailment near Albany and learned that they would ride a bus from Albany to Poughkeepsie. So she called her OM Lee, W2WPF, on 2-meters and told him about the change in plans and settled down to enjoy the trip. When she got close to Syracuse, she contacted Lois, WA2RXO, on 2-meters. Lois then joined her and they continued on to Albany.

There confusion awaited them as there were no buses to be seen. During the long wait, the YLs saw some Russian engineers who were having a good time at the Albany station. Lia noted that either the freedom or the vodka made them very cheerful, and they were hugging people. Finally three buses for New York arrived and were dispatched. Much later, the local bus arrived, and although Lois got a seat, Lia had to wait an hour and a half for the next one. Betty, W2PVS, was there to meet Lois and Lia, who finally arrived, along with three members of the train crew. Since the crew had no way to communicate with the station, Lia, Lois, and Betty provided communications for them along the way, and the conductor was very glad to learn of their whereabouts. Lia advises all to travel with 2-meters!

HOWDEE and thanks for all the news. YLs are on the march all over 3-land, hamming with the best of them! BUT before I move on to tell you what's happening, I must challenge you to a fun contest. If a guy's mentor in hamming is an "Elmer," then what can we call a gal who watches over a new YL? Send your ideas to me by mail or packet @ WA3KXG Harrisburg, PA.

Eighth District Chairman Carol, W8WRJ, tells of two YLs who attended Dayton this year--Agnes, NA3H and Gloria, N3IOP. Gloria reports that the two days at Dayton were tremendous, in spite of the nasty weather. To quote Gloria, "Weather could never spoil that hamfest!" I'm sure she is making good use of the new Kenwood HT that she bought there. She signed in at the YL table to get information on adopting a YL and sends thanks to the Buckeye Belles, who are co-sponsoring some YLs in India.

Gloria thought the Buckeye Belles' table was very attractive, and as an art teacher, she's a good judge of decoration. She's begun a ham club at school, with 20 twelve-year-olds working towards licenses, and she also recently handled the local emergency net for a month (Mondays at 2030 on KA3GIZ/R). Gloria worked field day outdoors near Clarion, Pennsylvania on battery power. Before setting up the site, she visited another field day operation by the Fort Venango Mike and Key Club at Pennsylvania's Drake Well, the nation's first oil well. They were quite busy and reported a good attendance.

Speaking of field day, a brand-new YLRL member Maureen Mulrooney, N3JNE, worked with new users on packet at the Anne Arundel Radio Club of Annapolis, Maryland. Recently she was able to work England direct on packet with 10 watts on 2-meters. On field day, others benefitted from her knowledge. The AARC's site was at the club station, an old nuclear missile site with ten acres of land for the club's use. Over 100 hams worked HF voice, CW, and packet. Maureen is also involved in the SYSOP-DEMARK, a NJ/DCA node group. We're planning on an October District 3 YL breakfast.

Nancy, KB2IAK, sent a note about her summer job as a Marine Animal Intern at Epcot Center at Disney World, Florida. "Playing with the dolphins," she says. "A dream of a lifetime," says her mom. Nancy was recently elected president of the Grove City College Radio Club. Congrats, Nancy! Keep your "powder" dry this summer.

Seems that I will occasionally be net control for the Statewide Repeater Link Net, after running my first on (appropriately) Father's Day and the next week as a first minute stand-in. Repeaters are K3SAK/N3DZM/WB3GPY/KK3I/W3EEK/ K3PS/K3RZF/WA3KXG/N4RAC/WS3Q/W3AI/W3AVK on Sunday at 1930 local.

The YLRL District 3 table will be inside at the York Hamfest on September 26 & 27!

Please send word of your YL activities. Until next time...  
147.555 CQ YL Simplex ANYFEST!!! 33, Pat, N3ICQ

A big hello to all the YLs in 4-land. The current QTH is the University of Virginia's biological station at Mountain Lake, just west of Blacksburg. I'm spending vie weeks here, taking a four-credit-hour course in Ornithology (studying the birds, after having graduated from high school on June 12th. A busy month! Needless to say, there's been very little time for hamming--I certainly couldn't miss class for field day or just general QSOing, so the only radio I have up here is the old handy 2-meter rig. I like to carry it with me when I go hiking, as I tend to hike alone, and I feel more comfortable knowing I have a potential world of ready assistance at my fingertips, with all the obstacles of rocky trail and poisonous snakes and various other obstacles nature throws in the way of hapless trailblazers.

My parents followed me up here (it's about four hours from the home QTH), and my dad and I kept in touch along the road with 2-meters simplex. For awhile there was an incessant buzzing with every transmission he made, and we troubleshot everything from power cord to antenna and finally decided it must be the fact that he was following directly behind me. At any rate, the annoying noise stopped once we got a couple of semi's between us, and we chatted about scenery, etc., all the way up here.

Jo, WB4NKO, and OM Roy, WB4JGF, attended a Ham Radio and RV Rally in Mineola, Texas, and enjoyed it very much. There were 57 RV's there, and all the OM's were amateur operators, and a few of the XYL's. There was plenty of food, fellowship, and fun. The group went over to the Tyler Rose Gardens and saw beautiful fields of roses of every kind. After leaving there, Jo and Roy went on to San Antonio and visited the grand-children and then went on to Granbury, Texas to visit an old Air Force buddy of Roy's. Then they traveled on to Branson, Missouri, and took in some of the country and western shows, including Roy Clark, Willie Nelson, and others. Since then, they have attended a family reunion in North Carolina.

Helen, W4DEV, made my month of June by writing in, expressing a concern of hers which has been in my mind for some time, as well. She is concerned about the rapidly declining number of YLs present on the YL Tangle Net and YL Open House, as well as participation in the district news. She says, "I hate to resort to letters, so if you read this, you'll know who you are. Either write to your District Chairman (Ahem, girls) or GET BACK ON THE NETS. WE MISS YOU!" Very well put, Helen. I sometimes have to wonder if anyone really reads this column.

Well, enough of these District Chairman blues. I wish you all a very beautiful summer and plenty of good DX and warm friendship.  
33, Jensen

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**Fifth District****Joyce Kepler, W5MWK**

Alma, AB5BA, and OM Jim, K5VRJ, received a beautiful walnut plaque from the Heart O'Texas ARC for all their work in the VE program. It was the club's special way to thank them. Alma also keeps busy with "Sewing for Angels" for their local neonatal intensive care unit. Alma and Jim attended some emergency training courses for McLennan County Emergency Management, of which Alma is the Coordinator and Jim is Assistant-Coordinator. The most interesting course was Handling Hazardous Materials, and soon after they had finished the training, three situations required that all the training be put to use. Alma and Jim will be alternate net controls for the North Texas Emergency Net for the next six months and then will be net controls for the following six-month period.

Peggy, K5DQ, is back on TYLRUN. We are all happy that she is staying home now and visiting with us weekly on the air.

Myrtle, WB5FGM, has a new great-granddaughter, born June 5.

Julia, K5JFJ, has been elected President of QCWA Chapter #41 for 1993-1994. Julia went to Raleigh, NC, to the Grand Assembly of Rainbow Girls, where her granddaughter represented the Grand Assembly of Oklahoma.

Lynn, N5IYW, went to Missouri at the end of June for a family reunion. As it was field day weekend, OM Larry, WB5IZL stayed home to work field day while Lynn was visiting.

Kathy, N5IYW, reports that OM Dex, K5HUC, is doing better now.

Judi, N0IDR, enjoyed speaking at Ham-Com in Arlington to YLs, promoting YLRL and TYLRUN. Judi participated in an all YL Field Day in Denton with the YL Roses. They used Dorothy Jones' call of KA5DWR and worked all frequencies. Judi is also putting together a Girl Scout badge workshop to introduce girls to the world of amateur radio.

Mary, WB5DVA, has been helping organize an amateur radio club at the University of Arkansas in Little Rock. They had equipment donated, a hamshack approved and promised, and have enjoyed several meetings. Mary has been phoning, placing posters all around the campus, and meeting with campus personnel.

Patty, KB5AZO, and OM Jim, KB5AZN, celebrated their tenth anniversary by taking a trip to Caddo Lake. Like true hams, they made the best use of the two-story cabin bed and breakfast they stayed in and brought HF equipment for 10 and 40 meters, as well as a complete set-up for portable packet radio. Many interesting contacts were made. They plan to take all the gear on a trip this fall to Seattle, Vancouver Island and NW Canada.

Millie, N5OWR, was at Ham-Com, looking for information to help all the YLs in Tulsa's Greene County Club. It was a pleasure for yours truly to meet her and her OM, as well as all the other YLs I met there.

Wanda, KJ5C, wasn't lost. She was found at Ham-Com, where she enjoyed seeing everyone.

Darleen, W5FQX, and OM Joe, W5SHIL, spent Aviation Parents' Weekend with daughter Diane, KG5CS. Diane took them and her boyfriend for a ride in a Piper plane, and they also toured the aerospace buildings at the University of North Dakota. Darleen and Joe then went to California to visit her father, who is 88 years old.

Joyce, W5MWK, and OM Jim, W5MWO, are enjoying the summer with four grandchildren for the summer, plus three other grandchildren part time. It keeps us young. There's never a dull moment, and we're always at the grocery store!

33, Joyce, W5MWK

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**Sixth District****Le Henderson, KB6MXH**

LARA is busy gearing up for the ARRL Convention in August, and some of the members worked the ham radio booth at the Orange County Fair in July. Contact any member if you want to buy a raffle ticket for the quilt being raffled off by LARA at the Convention.

Marti, N6XDS, is on a 5-week vacation to England, where she is scheduled to be a guest speaker at the York ARC and attend the York Radio Rally. She hopes to meet YLs from BYLARA, of which she is a member. She will be spending a week with Ann, GOLAN.

Vi, W6CBA, is busy lining up the speakers for the YL Forum at the ARRL Convention. It sounds like there will be a very good representation of YL clubs.

Nell, NB6A, sent a note saying that her OM Donald had carotid artery surgery on May 11th. On May 15th, he had a massive stroke, and he's now in a convalescent hospital in Colton, California. They won't be headed for North Dakota as usual this summer. She hopes to get on YL Open House to let people know what's happening.

Elsa, W6JZA, has been checking into the YL nets when she can. She last reported that she fell while watering the plants and hurt her side. Fortunately, X-rays revealed no broken ribs.

Irma, K6KCI, operated mobile on her recent trip to the Santa Clara Valley. She had eyelash QSO's with Carla, W06X, and Le, KB6MXH, and a twisted pair QSO with Peg, K6JRL. Irma was the hostess for the June potluck meeting of YLRC LA with 14 YLs and 1 OM enjoying the good food and comraderie. The election and installation of new officers took place with the only change being the office of President, now held by Irma, K6KCI. The next meeting will be September 12th, at the Winery.

Evelyn, N6DES, will try to make contact with YLRC LA's adoptee, Frances, G3LWY, when she visits England this year.

Midge, WA6LWE, enjoyed a 28-day cruise to Mexico, the Society and Marquesa Islands, Maui, and Oahu but never ran across any hams. She hopes for better results on her freighter trip to Australia and New Zealand.

Myrtle, WA6ISY, has received news from her YLRL adoptees in Germany and Yugoslavia. They are OK.

Joan, KC6IAK, has been working 10 meters and worked three new DX YLs in the past two weeks. That's quite a feat with band conditions as bad as they have been. She is working on upgrading to General and enjoys being net control for the YL Roses Net.

33, "Le"

Julie, KB6DRB, also reported that the Golden Triangle ARC helped with communications at the Temecula Valley Balloon and Wine Festival in May. There were 10,000 people each day at the event, and the amateurs really helped with the crowd.

Seventh District

Norma Griffin, N7GLQ

Wow, it's hot! Thanks for all the mail. Please use the Chandler address. I do not want to miss anyone's news.

The Cactus Keys enjoyed meeting our YLRL President, Dana, NOFYQ, on our Tuesday night 2-meter net and at a luncheon on May 28, in Mesa. YLs included Lee, KB8RT; Phyllis, K7SEC; Shirlee, KQ7Y; Ruby, W7JZA; Rosie, KC7NL; Jo, KF7BY; Donna, WB6UJG; Nell, W7AKX; Lily May, W7KAE; Beth, AA7NW; Beth, KA7AKK; Phyllis, W2GLB, and Norma, N7GLQ. Several OMs also attended.

In May, Lee, KB8RT, had a very pleasant surprise visit from her YLRL adoptee, Agnes, PA3ADR, and OM Henk, PA0ADC. They, along with a couple from England, were on a whirlwind tour of Arizona and California after the Dayton Hamvention. They said everyone they met was friendly and helpful. The last eyelash QSO was in 1982, when Henk and Agnes visited Lee in Michigan a few days before the YLRL Convention in Washington, DC. Lee looks forward to their next trip and hopes to visit them someday in the Netherlands.

The MINOW Net held their annual business meeting and picnic in Richmond, Washington, on May 30-31. The event was hosted by Bernice, WA7TPU, and Frieda, K7PVG. The Saturday evening banquet speaker was Mary Lou, NM7N, who showed slides of the DXpedition to Tortola and Grenada. On Sunday, the business meeting was held in a gazebo in a city park on the Columbia River, followed by a potluck with the OMs. In September, the MINOWS will have a bazaar at the Walla Walla Hamfest. There will be a raffle of a beautiful quilt made by Anna, KA7JYA. For more information, contact Ruth, WA7RVA.

Congratulations to Ruth, K1IIF, and Jack, W1PRT, who attended their 50th-year college reunions in May and returned to Lacey, Washington, in time to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on June 20.

Ruth, WA7RVA, and Dick, N7CY, have had a very busy and eventful year that included their 50th wedding anniversary. They are preparing for the picnic held at their home on Puget Sound every August for members of the West Seattle A.R. C.

Helen, NS5T, has moved to Seaside, Oregon, after living six years in Mexico. She is enjoying her U. S. call again.

Phyllis, W2GLB, attended the Sidebanders Convention in Colorado Springs. On the way home, she operated from 4 Corners.

Don't forget the High Cascade Hamfair at Mt. Bachelor, Oregon, near Bend, on August 8, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Non-ham events include a fashion show during a no-host BBQ, presentations from the High Desert Museum, and discounts on chairlifts to the mountain top, where you can see three states. There's free overnight secured parking for self-contained RV's. Mary, N7RGD, is the Chair; assistants are KD7YB and KA7MCZ.

Have a safe and fun summer. Enjoy the hamfests! The next issue is the Directory. News to me by September 15. 33, Norma

Eighth District

Carol Iams, W8WRJ

Julia, KD8KU, is now listed in the SK's. We are really going to miss the thoughtful birthday messages she was sending to the other Buckeye Belles. She helped start the Cincinnati group, who were planning to get together and work at a field day operation.

Some more really bad news to all of us Belles is the loss of Ralph, W8BTW, the OM of Ruth, W8LGY, on June 19th. We enjoyed seeing Ruth and Ralph at the Buckeye Belle Annual Meeting in Lancaster, in April. On the week before the 19th, Ruth picked up Zip, K8UKM and Rosie, W8YFB, and they went to visit Toni, K8PXX. They were sorry to report she wasn't very well at all. Sure hope you're feeling better now, Toni.

Millie, WD8MRJ, swam in the Senior Olympics at the University of Cincinnati and won a silver medal in the freestyle 400 yards; a bronze for the 200 yards, and a bronze for 50 yards.

Beulah, WA8EKQ, was in the hospital for six days, but she is doing fine and recovering now.

We saw Joanne, KJ3O, and her OM at the Goodyear Hamfest this month. Doris, WD8IKC; Helen, KA8CYF; and Sue, N8AJU, were also there.

Rosemary, WA8VXE, writes that she is still busy collecting dolls and quilting. She displayed her quilts at her church in May.

Barb, N8GFK, writes that they hit a deer on their way home from an RARA Club meeting and were grateful to get some help via amateur radio. They weren't hurt, but they have been three weeks waiting for extensive damage to their car to be repaired. She is President this year of RARA and has had good cooperation when she asked members to give a short program in the month of their birthday. Hers was in February, so she told about YLRL and the Buckeye Belles.

Kay, KA8BPD, writes that she was sorry to miss Dayton.

Anna, NT8Y, Anna, writes that they are planning to attend a Rooster Picnic at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, and she says its a great group, and they enjoy seeing everyone. Then Anna and her OM will go to Hawaii for their 10th anniversary and hope to look up KH6PI and KH6QI. Anna enjoyed meeting Cynthia, KA7ITT at Dayton, who autographed her two books for Anna. Anna loved reading them. I enjoyed them too. I'm selling some of them for the Buckeye Belles at local hamfests.

Doris, WD8IKC, and Stan are planning to attend the QCWA Convention in Arizona this fall.

We're sorry to lose Donna, KB8YS, who is now in South Carolina. 33, Carol

Recent issues of YLH have been returned for these YLs. Can anyone help with new addresses?

WB4BFJ, Geraldine Tillson KB4NWM, Doreen Newton
WA8BWD, Lucille Benner W9NLW, Jean Burkhead West
5W1FM, Mary Francis

Leanna, KB0ISD, has upgraded to Advanced and is waiting for her new callsign. She's passed the written Extra test and is working on the code.

Sister Alverna, WA0SGJ, reports the Twin Cities YLs had their second breakfast meeting on June 13th, with an enthusiastic, creative group attending. They are to be known as the 33ers. A net is being formed on the 39/99 repeater on Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. They want to encourage on-the-air participation from the Minnesota and Wisconsin YLs.

Janet, KOJE, is tour guide for Sr. Alverna, WA0SGJ, and Sr. Noreen, KE2LT, from New York, as well as several others, for an RV trip to the Peace Gardens of North Dakota and up into Canada. Tell us all about it, YLs!

Darleen, WD5FQX, writes that her daughter Diane, KG5CS/0, attends the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks, where she is majoring in aviation. Diane has earned her commercial pilot's license and instrument rating, and she expects to receive her multi-engine rating this summer. Darleen and her OM Joe, WD5HIL, spent Aviation Parents' Weekend with Diane and were taken for a plane ride. They used the Sioux Amateur Radio Club station at the university to make some contacts. Diane has her own car now, with her callsign on the plates, for ground travel.

Diane, KFOLV, has been checking into YL Tangle Net on Thursdays, and it's great to hear her again. She's looking forward to seeing everyone at the YLRL convention next summer.

#### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!

President Dana, NOFYQ, is busy working on convention plans and would appreciate hearing from any of you who would like to help. Since the convention will be in Wichita, YLs from Kansas, who can be hostesses (with other recruits, of course) are needed for:

- The Hospitality Suite
- Registration table attendants
- Prizes and drawings

This is a busy YL undertaking a big task, so run (don't walk) to the nearest mailbox or telephone to contact Dana before she has to take time to make contacts.

Dana Tramba, NOFYQ  
R. R. 1, Box 213  
Peck, Kansas 67120  
1-316-524-1918



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Pauline, VE3LQA, keeps busy sewing for her grandchildren. She has been busy making tops, shorts, and pajamas for them. Another of Pauline's many talents is playing the organ. She is booked for two weddings in June. In between these projects she hopes to get in some summer trips, one especially to visit her dad, VE3AAI, with whom she keeps regular skeds.

Jeanne, VE2JZ, spends a great deal of her time working on CLARA projects. She is very dedicated to this work. She and OM Rick attended the West Island Flea Market and met VE3EQE and OM VE3CPG, from Ottawa. At the Smith Falls Flea Market, she met Gerri, VE3MHP, and she enjoyed meeting with these people. Away from amateur radio, a night was spent on a chalet houseboat overlooking the St. Lawrence River, but Jeanne still managed to check in on SAYLARC's 40 meter net. Jeanne wishes everyone a safe and enjoyable summer.

Marge, VE1VCH, was back on the air again with a new Cushcraft antenna, but not for long, as an electrical storm damaged our power supply. But all is repaired again, and we're just glad the Kenwood 440 didn't get damaged. I had the pleasure of attending the Halifax Hamfest and meeting with a group of White Cane YLs. It was very enjoyable for me to meet some of the girls in person, as I do *The Clarion* tapes for the White Cane YLs. They invited me to join them on their 80-meter net each morning, so it is nice to chit-chat with the girls.

Sorry the news is scarce. Probably many are busy gardening and on vacation. I'd like to receive more news from our Canadian YLs as our membership is small from Canada. We must keep news coming. We may be small in numbers, but let's keep our Canada District News column going, and the only way I can do it is to get your news. Thanks to the old faithfuls who send news regularly. Let's hear from you girls for the November-December *Harmonics*.

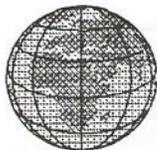
## Silent Keys

We are saddened by the loss of these YLRL members:

Carrie Lynch, WA4BVD (Carrie served YLRL for many years in several offices, including president and editor.)  
Violet Bargabus, W7EIU  
Julie Godsey, KD8KU  
Rhoda Southwell, G1UOX

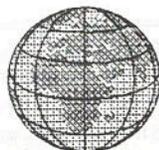
Our heartfelt condolences to these YLRL members:

Ruth, W8LGY, whose OM passed away on June 19  
Tazuko, JF1XDN, whose mother-in-law passed away



# DX YL News

Mary Ketzler, WO9R



## News from DX Members

Nadine, F1NVR, was delighted to receive *YL Harmonics* and used some of the information to write her column for the French amateur newsletter. Propagation was poor in Europe for the YL-OM contest and Nadine was disappointed not to hear U.S. and VE YLs. She had also wanted to work the YLAP contest. She looks forward to the next contest with better conditions, hopefully. She and her husband Jean go camping in summer. They cannot speak on the air, but operate CW. Perhaps she will get WAS on CW 10 meters some day! She sends best greetings to all YLRL members.

Helene, HB9ACO, had surgery this spring and is receiving some chemotherapy. She is courageous and hopeful of a good outcome. She was so happy to receive phone calls and letters from concerned YL friends.

Kyoko, JR3MVF, and her OM JA3UB made a visit in January to Vietnam, where they had set up station XV2A two years before, the only amateur station in Vietnam. The main purpose of the trip this time was to fix the rig and the antenna, which they accomplished easily, and they made some QSOs from the station. Kyoko was the first YL to make a QSO from this station. They attended a pure Vietnamese-style dinner and were impressed with the heartwarming reception and delicious food. Madame Binh, their hostess, said, "I hate any war. Peace is wonderful, indeed." Kyoko remembers the words happily. Kyoko also attended the SEANET Convention in Chiang Mai, Thailand, and had a delightful time there, where she also met Lloyd, W6KG and Iris, W6QK.

Nobuko, JR6XIX, and her OM made a trip to Hong Kong and then to Macao, where they visited a former classmate, Alberto, XX9AS. While the men talked computers, Nobuko visited with Alberto's wife and daughters. They then visited with Alberto's father Jose, XX9AN, and mother Ines, XX9YN, and the OMs operated some teletype. Nobuko regrets she cannot have a QSO with XX9YN, but Jose and Ines were just about to return to Portugal.

Bergitta, SM0FIB, spent most of April back in Sweden and attended the baptism of her son's second baby, which was set to take place on her sons' 25th birthday. He and his family will come to Saudia Arabia to visit Birgitta soon. It will be the first visit she has had since living there.

Gwen, ZL2UKG, is recuperating from surgery in April to amputate her right leg, which had been causing a lot of pain. "No permanent pain now. That is pure heaven," she says. Her OM George helps keep things going on the home front, freezing

all the garden produce for their future use. The weather in ZL-land has been as variable as here, with mediocre summer to winter and back to autumn, confusing to people and growing plants alike.

Mila, UA3WFM, writes that things are very difficult in Russia, with prices of food and housing beyond the means of many. The contributions from people in this country are most welcome, but there is some problem with things getting to the people for whom they are intended. Officials have opened parcels and sold the contents, and during January and February, the post office was rumored to have thrown out foreign letters. Mila recently acquired a little white cat named Katya that has a bald spot on her head like Mr. Gorby. Mila operates CE daily on 20 meters. She plans to go to Leningrad for the Hamvention of the naval club MF-Runde, that she has belonged to for years.

Cathy Purdie, ZL2ADK, has set up a radio station at the primary school where she teaches, and she devotes her lunch hours to helping the children seek out conversation with other radio enthusiasts in New Zealand and overseas. The callsign of the Oraoua Downs school is, appropriately, ZL2ODS.

Congratulations to Nellie, XE1CI, who has reached one of her greatest goals--she has worked all YLs for the 5B-WAS award! She was told by the 5B-WAS award manager that no other one has been received, so it's a first. Now she's starting on the new bands! Nellie is also the first Mexican YL to be listed on the DX Honor Roll, and the only one to earn awards from CQ and YLRL. She was planning to attend the ISSB Convention in Colorado in June and is looking forward to attending the Asian YL Meeting '93 in Osaka next April.

Condolences are extended to Tazuko, JF1XDN, on the sudden death of her mother-in-law earlier this year.

## News from DX-YL Bulletins:

A new award has been added by the New Zealand Women's Amateur Radio Association to encourage those working toward a Century Award, given for contacts with 100 WARO members. The DX Award is given for contacts with ten members to which endorsement seals may be added up to the 100 needed for the Century award. Awards Custodian is Vicki Shaw, ZL1OC, and Contest Manager is Chris Armstrong, ZL1BQW.

Kyoko Miyoshi, JR3MVF, 4-16 Kokawa, Chuou Osaka 540, Japan, is accepting registrations for the Asian YL meeting in Osaka, on April 3-5, 1993. Tentative registrations should be sent in by the end of August, 1992, in order to facilitate planning for the meeting.

A new award is offered by the DARC for contacting YLs in the new Republic of Germany (Bundesrepublik Deutschland), beginning August 8, 1988. Confirmed contacts with 88 YLs from Germany will get you the DL YL 88 Award. Applications go to DARC, Amkateurfunkzentrum, DL-YL Diplom, Postfach 1155, D-3507 Baunatal 1, Germany.

# News of YLRL Members



Dr. Christine E. Haycock, WB2YBA, is retiring from a most distinguished medical career. A surgeon and teacher at the UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School, Christine has a long list of honors and "firsts." She began nurses' training in 1942, completed that, and then earned a B. S. in 1948, and went on to medical school. Having accepted a commission in the U. S. Army Reserve in 1947, Christine became the first woman intern in the Army and was assigned to the Walter Reed Medical Center, when she graduated from medical school in 1952.

Nine years later, she became the first woman in New Jersey to pass the boards in General Surgery.

Throughout her distinguished career, she has served on a multitude of prestigious boards. In 1973, she was invited to join the AMA Committee on the Medical Aspects of Sports, which led to books, numerous papers, and national recognition in this field. Her Army career was also flourishing, and she attended the Army War College and graduated as the first woman class president in 1977. A full Colonel upon retirement in 1986, Christine was the first woman in New Jersey, and the second in the United States, to command major army units.

She was President of the American Medical Woman's Association in 1980, and in 1991, she was voted the first "Distinguished Surgeon" by the Association of Women Surgeons.

In addition to amateur radio, where Chris has been active in MARCO and YLRL, she enjoys collecting elephant memorabilia, photography, and training and showing miniature schnauzers. Christine has served as YLRL's Second District Chairman, Vice-President, and President in 1975 and 1979.

Christine has enjoyed her pioneering role in surgery and has broken down some of the barriers that existed in the field. YLRL members join the many other organizations wishing her all the best in her retirement. (Highlights from the UMDNJ-NJ Medical School's *Surgical Alumni News*, sent in by W3SLF and WA2NFY)

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Kathryn, N4USW, wishes to thank YLRL members for their expressions of sympathy after the loss of her mother.

In costume, Kathryn is known as country humorist (story teller) "Miz Maudie" and as herself, inspirational and motivational speaker across the U.S. and Canada. She has been a guest on regional and national TV networks, such as "Nashville Now," PTL, ACTS, etc. Some of her fall bookings include Illinois, Ohio, California, and Texas, where she hopes to meet some YLs. She writes a monthly YL column, is completing her first book, and hopes by next year to have another recording out, entitled "Miz Maudie and Ham Radio."

## Welcome to These New Members:

KB2NGH Millicent Quillens, 30-50 High St, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410-3563  
 N3LPB Charlene Dayhoff, 1809 Wildwood Ave, Baltimore, MD 21234  
 KD4ABZ Patricia Lavarco, 2012 NE 4th Ave, Wilton Manors, FL 33305  
 KB5DVQ Lori Naiman, 7926 S. Oswego Pl, Tulsa, OK 74136  
 KB6OYM Judith F. Killian, P O Box 2811, Seal Beach, CA 90740  
 KB6QCE Catherine Stephens, 617 Chalynn Circle, Orange, CA 92666  
 AA7NW Elizabeth A. Eaton, 1329 E. Bayview Dr, Tempe, AZ 85283  
 N7SRO Karen Scharlau, 925 E. Casino Rd, Everett, WA 98203  
 NOMJB Phyllis Dillman, 210 Gehrt Rd, Manhattan, KS 66502  
 KAOVPT Shirley Tufte, 3370 N. Dunlap Ave, Arden Hills, MN 55112  
 IK5MEQ Adriana Parducci, Via Di Tiglio 183, 55066 S Margherita (LU) Italy  
 Y23UB Edeltraud Kunkel, Fischerstrasse 02, 0-2864 Plau, Germany

## Reinstatements:

WA9LYJ/5 Mickie Jean Battin, 322 Camp St, Dover, AR 72837  
 WA0NNC/7 Karen Sasek, 8925 N. Morningview Dr, Tucson, AZ 85737-3523  
 KFOLV Diane VanKirk, P O Box 83, Mound City, KS 66056

## Updates:

WA4LWB/1 Add chg: 511 Meredith Bridge Rd, Laconia, NH 03246  
 WA1S Add chg: 245 Colburn Rd, Milford, NH 03055 (603) 672-3634  
 WA2BGE Summer only: R R 1, Box 123a, Oneonta, NY 13820  
 WB2PRG Add chg: 23 Bridge St, Monroe, NY 10950  
 K6ANG/3 Add chg: 2406 Hunters Chase Court, Frederick, MD 21702  
 N3KAA Add cor: 634 Highland Dr, Perkasie, PA 18944  
 WT3P New callsign for Kay Craigie, who was KC3LM  
 KL7P/4 Add chg: 216 Lee Road #343, Salem, AL 36874  
 KA4QH New callsign for Lynn Pitteggoff, who was KC4NJB  
 WA1UVJ/4 Add chg: 3912 SE 1st Place, Cape Coral, FL 33904-4803  
 KE7WM/4 Add chg: 601 Forest Ave, Radford, VA 24141  
 KB8YS/4 Add chg: 3016 Dillon Rd, Garden City Beach, SC 29576-8287  
 KA5CMB Add chg: 2500 East Business Highway 83 #572, Mission, TX 78572  
 N5ST Summer address only: Elsie Rt, Box 749, Seaside, OR 97138  
 KB6DRB Zip code correction: Should be 92595  
 W6DEQ Add cor: 21717 National Trails Hwy, Barstow, CA 92311-9747  
 KA6NZK Add ch: 8118 Arroyo Vista Drive, Sacramento, CA 95823  
 KJ60C Zip code correction: Should be 95346  
 KM6QF New callsign for Pat Reiner, who was KC6SGE  
 WA6ZVN Add chg: c/o Ashley Place, 1321 S. Fairmont Ave, Lodi, CA 95240  
 K7JGU Add chg: R R 1, Box 96C, Chelan, WA 98116  
 WD8DLB Add chg: 4346 Chanticleer Dr, Fairview Park, OH 44126  
 N8GTZ Add cor: 1520 S. Tipsico Lake Rd, Milford, MI 48380  
 KA3VKJ/8 Add chg: 155 Jamestowne Parkway, Avon Lake, OH 44012  
 NT8Y Zip code correction for summer address: Should be 48642  
 N8ALJ/9 Add phone (217) 355-1643 to Jodie's winter add (p. 25, #1 YLH )  
 KB0ISD Add cor: P. O. Box 173, Augusta, KS 67010  
 KFOLV New callsign for Diane Van Kirk, who was KAOUUY  
 N1HJI/KL7 Add chg: NSGA Adak, AK, PSC 481, Box 186, FPO AP 96505  
 G4HKB Chg: 1 Longridge, Briar Grove, Colchester, Essex CO4 3FD England  
 WN1G/GM? Add chg: PSC 807, Box 896, FPO AE 09419  
 GM3XWE Add chg: 7 Barend St, Millport, Isle of Cumbrae, Scotland KA28 0BL  
 JR3MVF Add chg: 4-16 Kokowa, Shouu-ku, Osaka 540, Japan  
 OE1YHA Add chg: Steinriegelsiedlung #338, A-7501 Rotenturm, Austria  
 ZS5VF Add chg: 44A Chearsley Rd, Westville N 3630, Durban-Natal, S Afr  
 ZS6GH Add cor: P O Box 934, Pinegrowrie TV1, S. Africa