Texas YL Round-Up Net

40th Anniversary—September 23 and 24, 1994

Front row, L. to R.: Myrtle, WB5FGM; Harryette, W6QGX/5; Erin (Connie's daughter); Helen, W5LGY; Lyn, W5RYX, and Doris, K5BNQ

Back row, L. to R.: Lynn, N5IYW; Alma, AB5BA; Alverta, K5IMZ; Margaret, K5MXO; Joyce, W5MWK; Ann, N5GHS; Maureen, N5FFB; Brenda, N5GFI; Jan, N5LVI; Judi, N0IDR; Kathy, K5IHF; Dorothy, KA5DWR; Viola, W5FBM, and Connie, KB5LES.

Silent Keys

We are saddened by the loss of these members:

W1OPZ	Carl S. Walther, August, 1994 (Subscriber)
K4RHL	Eleanor Horner, September 17, 1994
K7OVW	Irma Duncan, October 17, 1993
WB0WWD	Juanita Lane, August 23, 1994
VK3YL	Austine Henry, VK3YL

Condolences

Our heartfelt condolences to these YLRL members:

W6QGX, Harryette Barker, whose sister passed away
K7RAM, Bobbie Wilson, whose OM Bud, K7RAO, is a S.K.
VE3BGC, Beverley Corbett, whose son died in September

YL Harmonics

Happy Holidays!

YLRL's 55th Year!

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President's Message

Christine Haycock, WB2YBA

Things have been moving along smoothly during the past few months now that we have resolved our personnel problems with the aid of some much-appreciated volunteers.

With the assistance of Louisa, W5RZJ; Kay, WAØWOF; and Ethel, K4LMB; a tremendous job has been done on the revitalizing and re-printing of Louisa's book, **CQ-YL**. The new book includes all of the earlier update pages that Louisa provided over the year and then additional information through 1994. This time the book is in loose-leaf format so it will be easy to add future update material. The original books certainly will be treasured keepsakes but update pages are no longer available. I would urge all members (and especially new members) to obtain a copy of this new edition.

On October 1st, I visited the SAYLARC meeting in Amsterdam, New York, to discuss plans for the 1996 YLRL convention in July. I urge all of you to start thinking about coming and about swaps, door prizes, etc., for them. It is never to early! The YLs in SAYLARC are already hard at work. A luncheon in the North Jersey area is planned for April. You do not have to be a SAYLARC member to attend.

There has been considerable discussion in regard to YLRL finances, especially in relation to printing and mailing costs of **YL-Harmonics**. The YLRL dues have remained at $8 for several years now, as the result of some expenses being paid for by some of the officers, but I think it is time for a small raise. I am going to propose a raise to $10 a year for USA members, but no increase for overseas members. The first class mailing expense would not be increased and would still be $4 (for a total of $14) if first class mail is desired. I think this is a reasonable proposal, but I would like to hear from you if you have big objections or other ideas to cover our expenses.

The other problem is that people are not notifying the Receiving Treasurer or Circulation Manager when they change addresses or if they have summer and winter addresses. Remailing **YL Harmonics** is expensive and unnecessary! Please let us know promptly.

I hope everyone has nice holidays—Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, or Christmas.

33, Christine, WB2YBA

FYI

The 4th edition of **CQ-YL**, by Louisa Sando, W5RZJ, is now available, just in time for holiday gift-giving. Every YL should have this book in her library! The 220-page book contains more than 600 photos and details the history of YLRL and of YL involvement in radio communication. It's been brought up to date, with officer information through 1994 and convention reports through 1993, and is printed in a loose-leaf format to make future updates easier. Pages are 6" x 9 1/2" and are punched to fit 3-ring binders, either 11" or 9 1/2" in size. (Hard covers are not provided.) The price is $10.00, plus $2.00 for mailing, but the special bonus offer (only $11.00) is still open, if you order before January 1, 1995.

Before Jan 1, 1995, send $11.00 to:

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ATTN: All YLs in the Tenth District

Lorrie Loeffler, WD0AGY, the 10th District Chairman, will not be able to continue with her duties and a volunteer is needed to complete this term. If you can help, please notify the Editor as soon as possible.

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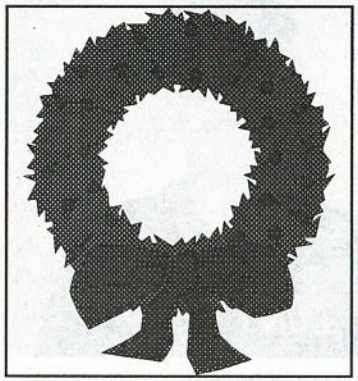
YLRL Secretary Eleanor Cyr, N1FJR, sends condolence cards to the families of our Silent Keys. When you learn about a Silent Key, notify Eleanor and provide her with the name and address where the condolence card should be sent, if possible. The Editor and the Database Manager should also be notified.



FROM YOUR EDITOR:

I'd like to send special thanks to the DX and District Chairmen who have contributed such nice columns for each issue and to all those who have contributed other items for **YLH**.

Special credit also goes to Ethel, K4LMB, who does the mailing, and to Mary, AD4HC, who did all the names and addresses for the Directory issue. She did a wonderful job.

I wish each and every YLRL member:

Happy Holidays and Peace, Happiness, and Good Health in 1995!

YLRL Contest Corner

From the Vice-President Carla Watson, WO6X

Congratulations to Christa Elksnat, DJ1TE, who won the 1994 Howdy Days Contest! Thanks to all who participated.

1994 Howdy Days Scores

DJ1TE	49	DL3LG	35	N0IDR/5	34
WA2NFY	31	W2GLB/7	29	KN4MV	26
K0EPE	16	HB9ARC	16	WA0WOF	15
K6KCI	11	W4DEV	10		

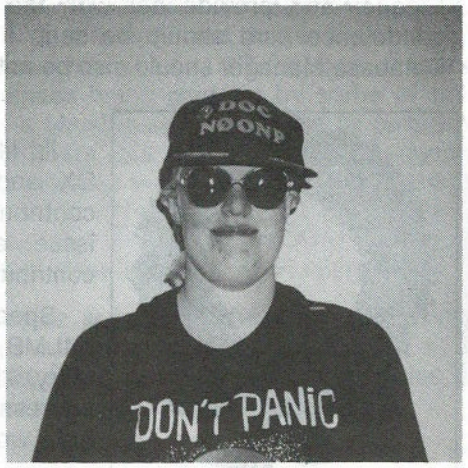
The next YLRL contest will be **Meet the Novices and Technicians Day**, and it will run from 1500 UTC, January 14, 1995, to 0500 UTC, January 15, 1995. Suggested frequencies are: **CW:** 3.675 - 3.725 on 80 meters; 7.120 to 7.150 on 40 meters; 21.120 - 21.150 on 15 meters, and 28.150 - 28.185. **SSB:** 28.300 - 28.500 on 10 meters. Complete rules can be found on pages 3 and 4 of the 1994 Directory issue.

A sample log sheet has been printed in the center of this issue. Please make copies and use it for all future YLRL contests.

1994 YLRL Scholarship Winner

Stefnee "Doc" Lindberg, N0ONP, is the 1994 winner of YLRL's $1200.00 scholarship. She is currently studying Computer Engineering at the University of Missouri, in Columbia.

Stefnee chose this field because of her Amateur Radio experience with computers. She holds an Advanced class license and is a member of the Raytown ARC, Kansas City Packet Group, Johnson County ARC, and Southside ARC. Her main interests are packet and Internet.



Stefnee "Doc" Lindberg, N0ONP, is shown above.

Certificates and Awards

CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATE

Jeanette Ellis, NP2C, Custodian

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

July 1, 1994, to October 31, 1994

CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS
N2DUW	5	DL3SAP	5	KA1X	15	W7JZA	20
KB4RGW	5	EU1YL	5	KB2DP	15	WA1LGU	25
KA5BOA	5	JA6VWV	5	WB2OQY	15	K3YPH	25
KB5HGE	5	SV3AGQ	5	NC2Q	15	W7COJ	25
WR5K	5	YL2QO	5	WB3FQH	15	WA7GVB	25
KA5MEC	5	ZL2BHJ	5	KJ3O	15	W7OQB	25
N5NHY	5	N1HMG	10	N4CHK	15	WA8YPY	25
N6FAX	5	NU2V	10	N5ASX	15	WA9TVM	25
KB6GB	5	KM3N	10	KK5L	15	W1YL	30
KB6ICQ	5	NW5A	10	KD5MD	15	W3KEO	30
N6WRT	5	KA5EWJ	10	W6RYL	15	W5VBE	30
N7EMI	5	KA6QQH	10	K6TFG	15	K1IIF	35
KB7EQW	5	KA6ZYF	10	WB7ECH	15	W5ONP	35
KB7IFJ	5	KA7HIO	10	N8AJU	15	KE5ZI	35
W7SBS	5	N7LTM	10	WB9ZNA	15	K7RAM	35
KA7VEQ	5	K7TNE	10	NO0A	15	WA7UJI	35
WA9SHK	5	NM0E	10	VE3COH	15	K8MZT	35
KL7LA	5	WQ0Q	10	WA2NFY	20	K9QGR	35
DF5VW	5	WA1VOP	15				

These YLs have received 55-year certificates for the years 1939 to 1994:

W1GQT **K4LMB** **W9NLW** **KH6IHW**

YL CENTURY CLUB

Le Henderson, KB6MXH, Custodian

Certificates

Dorothy Young	W1TGY	#1084
Dov Gavish	4Z4DX	#1085
Baby Steenkamp	ZS6AZQ	#1086

Endorsements

Ursula Buerger	DL3LS	#590	1800 YLs
Henry Buerger	DL1RA	#637	1850 YLs
Donna Burch	W8QOY	#1001	200 YLs
Phyllis Davis	KA1JC	#1037	800 YLs
Baby Steenkamp	ZS6AZQ	#1086	300 YLs

NOTE: All logs are now on the computer, which makes for much easier dupe checking and faster response to applicants.

Young Ladies Radio League, Inc.
Statement in Changes in Cash
For period ending June 30, 1994

	Checking/ Money Market Savings*	Scholarship Fund CD	Pres. Fund	Convention Fund	Total
Balance, 4/1/94	29855.07	14078.54	442.73	1006.15	45382.49
CASH RECEIPTS					
Donations-Sch Fund	135.00				135.00
Donations-Other	0.00				0.00
Dues	2374.00				2374.00
Interest Income	171.27		1.79	5.35	178.41
Miscellaneous	0.00				0.00
Postage	796.00				796.00
Sale of Supplies	0.00				0.00
Subscriptions	0.00				0.00
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	3476.27		1.79	5.35	3483.41
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:					
YLH Printing	2242.66				2242.66
YLH Circ/Editor Exp	876.64				876.64
President's Expense	0.00				0.00
Vice-Pres/Contests	0.00				0.00
Secretary	120.61				120.61
Receiving Treasurers	329.20				329.20
Disbursing Treasurer	28.22				28.22
Supplies Chairman	0.00				0.00
Librarian/Historian	0.00				0.00
Nominating Committee	0.00				0.00
California Fee	5.00				5.00
Membership/Publicity	28.41				28.41
Misc	0.00				0.00
Purchase of Supplies	0.00				0.00
Refunds	12.00				12.00
Scholarship Award	0.00				0.00
YLCC Postage	0.00				0.00
TOTAL CASH DISB.	3642.74	0.00	0.00		3642.74
INCREASE(DECREASE)	(166.47)		1.79	5.35	(159.33)
BALANCE, 6/30/94	29688.60	14078.54	444.52	1011.50	45223.16

*Scholarship Fund Savings $ 2,606.57
Scholarship Fund CD $14,078.54

Auditors:
Roni Hicks, N4ODI
Alice King, N4DDK

Joan Gibson, KG1F
Disbursing Treasurer

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(Volunteer needed to take over Districts 8, 9, and 10)

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Young Ladies Radio League, Inc.
Statement of Changes in Cash
For Period Ending September 30, 1994

Items	Checking Mny. Mkt. Svgs.*	Schlr. Fund CD	Pres. Fund	Conven. Fund	Total
Balance, 9/30/94	$29,688.60	$14,078.54	$444.52	$1,011.50	$45,223.16
CASH RECEIPTS					
Donat. - Sch Fund	$105.00				$105.00
Donat. - Other	$0.00				$0.00
Dues	$774.00				$774.00
Int. Income (Sept.)	$84.55		$1.26	$2.89	$88.70
Int. Income (July)		213.35			$213.35
Misc.	$64.19				$64.19
Postage	$141.00				$141.00
Sale of Supplies	$244.50				$244.50
Subscriptions	$0.00				$0.00
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	$1,413.24	$213.35	$1.26	$2.89	$1,630.74
CASH DISBURSEMENTS					
YLH Printing	$2,600.00				$2,600.00
YLH Circ./Ed Exp.	$1,031.94				$1,031.94
President's Exp.	$30.44				$30.44
Vice-Pres/Contests	$64.52				$64.52
Secretary	$0.00				$0.00
Recvg. Treasurers	$0.00				$0.00
Disburs. Treasurer	$57.67				$57.67
Supplies Chmn	$1,160.47				$1,160.47
Tape Topics	$162.36				$162.36
Nominating Committee					$0.00
California Fee					$0.00
Membership/Public.	$55.71				$55.71
Miscellaneous					$0.00
Purchase of Supplies	$179.26				$179.26
Refunds					$0.00
Scholarship Award					$0.00
YLCC Postage					$0.00
TOTAL CASH DISB.	$5,342.37	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$5,342.37
Increase (Decrease)	($3,929.13)	$213.35	$1.26	$2.89	($3,711.63)
BALANCE	$25,759.47	$14,291.89	$445.78	$1,014.39	$41,511.53

*Schol. Fund Savings $2,606.57
Schol. Fund CD $14,291.89

Barbara A. Houston, W0PCD
Disbursing Treasurer

Helen McKeral, W4DEV, recently ran across this poem and sent it to Marte Wessel, K0EPE. Marte liked it so much that she read it on YL Tangle Net. Because it applies to each family and the YLRL family, as well, it's now printed here for your enjoyment.

NOTE: Usually, the wedding anniversaries are noted only on the 25th, 30th, etc., but Helen and Ralph, W4DET, will celebrate their 57th on Christmas Eve. Happy anniversary to you both!

Family times are happy times
that all of us can share;
Laughter, smiles, a joke or two,
a hug that says, "I care."
Family times are special times
that only we can know—
Happy conversation
and faces all aglow.
Years may pass, yet none of us
will ever grow apart—
Family times are family ties
that keep us close in heart.

PROPITIOUS HF PROPAGATION CONDITIONS PREDICTED FOR 1999

Carol Conti, KM6PK

In the **#4** - 1994 **YL Harmonics**, KA1LDS/VP9 wrote, "We were ready—but the bands were not." In the Contest Corner, we read, "Propagation may not be good, but there will be activity somewhere. Don't give up. These are times to improve your operating skills."

Some of us may want to know just HOW LONG DO WE HAVE TO WAIT? We know that good propagation periods correspond to peak periods in solar activity and that sunspots are the most obvious sign of activity. When sunspot counts are plotted against time for several centuries, their cyclic nature becomes apparent. We actually have reliable sunspot data from the times of our great-great-great-great-great grandmothers.

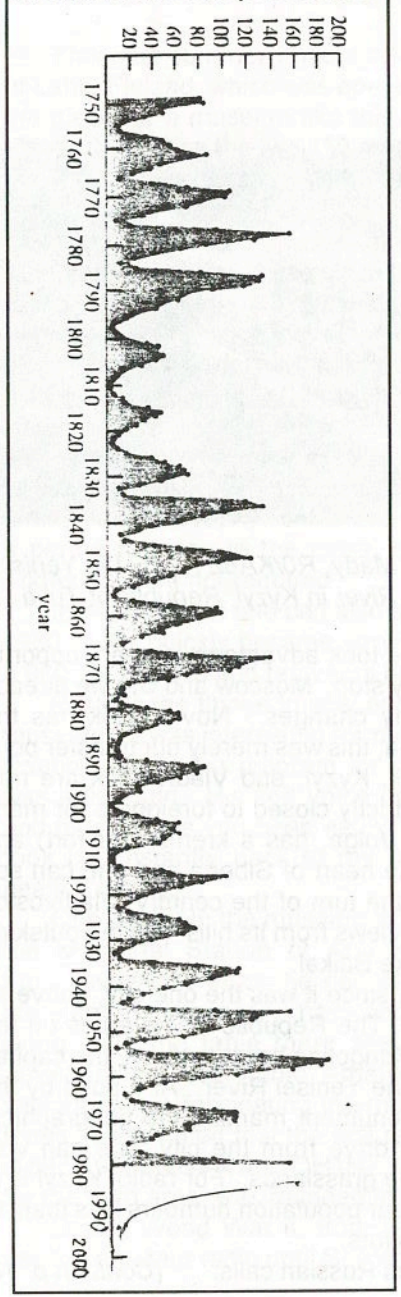
If we look closely at the variability within the obvious periodicity of eleven years, we find a set of shorter cycles (mean duration = 10.2 years) and a set of longer cycles (mean duration = 11.8 years). Given that the peak of our current cycle took place back in the summer of 1989, it would seem reasonable to estimate that the minimum of our current cycle will be around 1995/6 and the maximum of the next cycle in the sequence will appear between 1999 and 2002. That leaves us several years of relative HARD TIMES, at least for new YLs with relatively fresh licenses like the writer, or I should say, TIME TO IMPROVE OPERATING SKILLS.

Nevertheless, some exciting magnetic storms and proton events will most likely continue to occur sporadically, like the M6 flares that greeted our earthly new year 1994 or like the M4 flare at the end of February, which brought brilliant auroras to happy northern YLs from Minnesota to Michigan. It has been very quiet on the solar front since then.

It's hard for me to imagine that the diameter of the sun is so wide that the energy of fusion reactions in the solar core may take millions of earth-years to reach the surface. It's equally hard for me to imagine that the speed of energetic particles can be so invisibly fast, that solar fusion energy, once it has surfaced, flares out and settles into our earth's magnetosphere in only eight minutes.

We actually get well-spaced solar-event-receiving times, due to the fact that the portion of the solar surface giving rise to an observable event rotates out-of-sight and then back in 27 earth-days. So, if an event occurs that tends to reduce our radio propagation (silent bands), we can expect another silent time within 27 days, and then 54 days, and so on for four or five solar rotations. Similarly, if an event occurs that tends to enhance our radio propagation (active bands), we can mark our calendars 27, 54, 84, 108, and possibly 135 days ahead.

Figure 1
Annual Mean Sunspot Number



Now, what if we YLs were to measure our own ages, or our continuous YLRL membership in solar cycles instead of years? My mother was born eight solar maxima ago; I was using marine radios off the coast of Sardinia half-a-cycle ago, and I sincerely hope that all of us will be on the air come maximum-time in the 23rd cycle, around 1999.

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WHY ALBANY?

Miriam Lamb, AA2DX

Just north of the Catskill Mountains, slightly south of the Adirondacks, east of the Mohawk Trail, at the confluence of the Mohawk and the mighty Hudson Rivers stands the port city—yes, I said port of Albany. Do not these names have a glamorous ring to them? Have you not read about them in countless histories and novels? What an historic and magnificent setting for the city which members of SAYLARC have chosen to be the site of the 1996 YLRL convention.

The July 11-14, 1996, dates were picked quite deliberately because just one week later, the Summer Olympics begin in Atlanta. In the ensuing months, I will tell you more about Albany and its environs as well as give you thoughts on making the trip from Albany to Atlanta. It is our hope that these two back-to-back events will give impetus to many of you to see and enjoy the many incomparable sites along the eastern seaboard. More later.

JOURNEY ACROSS RUSSIA

Mady M. Langdon, KA6ZYF

My OM Terry, W6/G3MHV, and I arrived in Moscow on May 18th, carrying a plane ticket for a departure from Vladivostok five weeks later and a visa that specified the cities we hoped to visit. The itinerary was only a plan: we wanted to fly across the vast expanse of land which is Russia. Our journey would combine work, sightseeing, and hopefully, radio operating. It was a challenge, but we accomplished what at times seemed almost impossible: covering eight time zones, we followed our intended route—Moscow, Nizhny Novgorod, Ufa, Novosibirsk, Tomsk, Kyzyl, Irkutsk, and Vladivostok.

Mady, R0/KA6ZYF, by the Yenisei River in Kyzyl, Republic of Tuva

Work commitments completed, we took advantage of every opportunity to enjoy the diverse sights at every stop. Moscow and Ufa we already knew, but we eagerly looked for any changes. Novosibirsk has the distinction of being the center of Siberia; this was merely our transfer point to Tomsk and Kyzyl. Nizhny, Tomsk, Kyzyl, and Vladivostok are new cities on the tourist route: they were strictly closed to foreigners for many years. Nizhny, on the banks of the Volga, has a kremlin (or fort) and beautiful old churches; Tomsk is at the heart of Siberia and one can see many typical wooden houses built at the turn of the century; Vladivostok is a lively port with San Francisco-like views from its hills. On the outskirts of Irkutsk is beautiful, crystal-clear Lake Baikal.

Kyzyl deserves a special mention, since it was the one city, above all others, that we really wished to visit. The Republic of Tuva lies on the southern perimeter of Russia, on the Mongolian border. Kyzyl, the capital, is a small, quiet city on the banks of the Yenisei River. At a point by the river, close to the city center, is a monument marking the geographical center of Asia. Less than an hour's drive from the city, one can visit forests in the hills or sandy lakes in the grasslands. For radio, Kyzyl is in zone 23 and rare oblast 159. Its amateur population numbers less than 10 people. We were their first foreign visitors.

For our radio operation we obtained Russian calls: *(Cont. on p. 18)*

THE PAST COMES ALIVE IN THE LAHTI RADIO AND TV MUSEUM IN FINLAND

Riita Eloranta, KB5QMF

This past summer I had a chance to visit the Radio and TV Museum of Lahti, Finland, which was opened in 1968. This town is a very appropriate place for a museum like this since it has been known as a radio city since 1927, when the two 150 meter towers were erected. In 1928 the first central long-wave radio station of the Finnish Broadcasting Corporation was opened here.

The Radio and TV Museum stands at the foot of these high towers, which are no longer in use since they are not needed any more. They are merely a memory of bygone days. In the museum, one can become familiar with the huge development of the wireless and television. The oldest radios were crystal controlled, but in the 1920's, the first tube sets started to come out, often being made by the radio enthusiasts themselves. In the 1930's, the tube radios became more popular and several well-known international brands like Phillips and Telefunken started to appear on the Finnish radio market. There were also many domestic brands, such as ASA, Fenno, and Helvar. The wireless owners had to buy a permit to listen to the radio. In 1940, 350,000 permits were bought. Today they are not required.

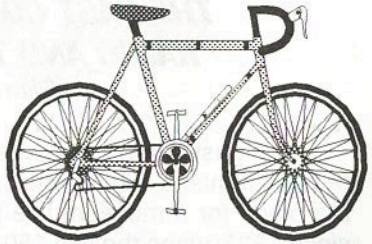
In the museum one can also see the first television sets from the early 1950's. TV quickly became very popular in Finland. In 1958, there were 8,000 TV permits and ten years later, there were over 1,000,000.

Besides the things to see, one can also find something to hear in this museum. It was interesting for me to listen to the familiar voice of Markus Rautio, who had a program for children called "Children's Hour" when I was a little girl. His soft voice on the tape saying, "Good evening, boys and girls! Have you been eating your oatmeal porridge in the morning?" took me instantly back to my childhood. He always reminded us of healthy eating.

One corner in the museum is dedicated to Amateur Radio. It is called the Memorial Station of Arvi Hauvonen, OH3R. One can see his transceiver with which he had contacts around the world. On the wall, there are the necessary maps and a lot of QSL cards from all parts of the world. On the table there are brochures put out by Suomen Radioamatooriliitto, the Radio Amateur Association of Finland, to interest visitors in this fascinating international hobby. In the history of Finnish hams, it was noted that the first radio amateur in Finland was Leo Lindell, (1897-1936), 2NVA and OH1NA, and that the "Kolmosten kerho," the club for the third area, was founded in Lahti in 1930, with six members.

During World War II, from September 14, 1939, it was forbidden to use the amateur radio until September 11, 1947, when *(Cont. on p. 18)*

BEV'S HOLIDAY, VIA BICYCLE TO EUROPE



Bev Corbett, VE3BGC

On May 22nd, Robert, my OM, and I arrived at Schiphol Airport in Holland, on our way to Normandie for the 50th anniversary of D-Day, June 6, 1944. We were traveling by bicycle so the first thing we did was to prepare our bikes, which meant straightening the handle bars, putting air in the tires, and reattaching the pedals. Then we were off to Leiden, about 21 miles from the airport.

At Leiden, we stayed with a young university student for two days. He was a SERVAS host. (In July, he and his girlfriend visited us in St. Catharines.) Our next stops were Dordrecht, Hogerheide in South Holland, then Brugge, Belgium.

On we cycled to Dunkirk, Calais, and Boulogne in France. In Calais, we had our bicycle air pumps and water bottles stolen. In Boulogne, we stayed in a hotel.

Next we took the train to Caen, via Abbeville and Rouen, a trip lasting abut five hours. In Caen, we stayed two days with SERVAS members; then on to Thaon, where we had a small studio bed-sitting room, kitchenette and bathroom, which we had reserved for one week. From here, we took day trips to the beaches of Normandie, which were only five to seven miles distant.

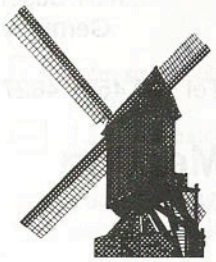
The 1,500 man parachute drop by the British 1st Parachute Brigade near the Pegasus Bridge, on Sunday, June 5, was a sight to behold.

We were fortunate in meeting Jacques, F6EMV, his wife Monique, and son Bruno. Jacques lived in a little village named Bretteville, about three miles from where we stayed. How great their hospitality was. We had dinner with them twice, and Jacques helped us get our bicycles on the train in Caen when we were leaving.

We took in local memorial ceremonies, commemorating the liberation of Bretteville by the Regina Rifles Regiment, on July 7, 1944. The ceremonies were very moving.

After our week's stay in Thaon, it was now time to start heading back for the airport. We took the train from Caen to Arras, France, a seven hour trip, and in Arras, we stayed with SERVAS friends. Then it was on into Belgium, through Wervik and Merlebeke, where we stayed with SERVAS friends. In Merlebeke, Belgium, we had our second great treat as our host had invited Albert, ON4AWK, and Mary Lou, ON4MM, to dinner. What a surprise, and needless to say, they are wonderful people.

The next morning was election day in Belgium, where all citizens must vote or they will be fined. This was on Sunday, June 12, and we cycled to Hamme just outside Antwerp, again staying with SERVAS hosts.



After leaving Hamme on Monday morning, we cycled on to Holland, staying in Roosendaal, Delft, Leiden, and Zandaam. In Zandaam, we again stayed with SERVAS friends, only this time there was a differet set of circumstances. We had met our hostess Betty in Beijing, China, about three years ago, through her parents who are SERVAS members. In the meantime, she has settled in Holland with her Dutch boyfriend. We are invited to the wedding next year, which will most likely be in early May.

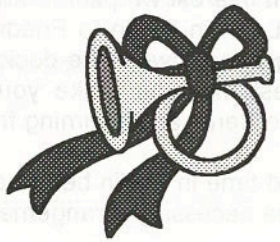
Our last stop on Saturday, June 18, was in Haarlem. Again we stayed with SERVAS hosts. Next morning, Sunday, June 19, we awoke at 4:00 a.m. and cycled to the airport, some 15 miles away for our return flight home, ending a really wonderful trip. We traveled just over 700 miles by bicycle.

We are members of SERVAS—both as hosts and travelers, whereby we host foreign visitors in our home and when traveling, we are able to stay where convenient with foreign hosts. It is an organization primarily to promote pece and understanding. One must not ask for more than two nights accommodation.

When we arrived home, our family had arranged a party for us on July 9 to celebrate our 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Frohliche Weinachten

Happy Hanukkah



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Seasons Greetings

Merry Christmas
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International World-Wide YL Meeting Berlin 1996

Dear YLs and OMs,

I would like to give you some preliminary information regarding the International World-Wide YL Meeting due to be held in Berlin in 1996. At the same time I would ask you to complete and return the questionnaire on the next page to help us with our planning.

As discussed with those who were present in Sweden and Japan, it is proposed to hold the meeting from Thursday, June 20, to Sunday, June 23, 1996, which is the weekend before the Ham Radio Convention in Friedrichshafen. Some initial talks have already been held in Berlin, with promising results.

Providing there is sufficient interest we plan to arrange a coach trip after the meeting to take DX YLs from Berlin to Friedrichshafen and possibly onward to Frankfurt, along a route yet to be decided. If you want to join us on the trip, we suggest that you make your travel arrangements accordingly, i.e., inbound to Berlin and returning from Frankfurt.

If any of you want to spend time in Berlin before or after the YL Meeting, we will, of course, make the necessary arrangements for you.

To help us choose the right hotel, we need to have an approximate idea of how many people are likely to attend. (We want to make sure we book a hotel which is large enough to accommodate everyone and which has suitable meeting facilities.) It would, therefore, be helpful if you could return the questionnaire as soon as possible.

Vy 73,

Gertrud, DK8LQ

International World-Wide YL Meeting Berlin 1996

Preliminary Questionnaire

☐ I am sorry but I regret that I will not be able to attend the 1996 YL Meeting in Berlin.

☐ I am interested in principle in attending the 1996 YL Meeting in Berlin.

☐ I am planning to attend the 1996 YL Meeting in Berlin and require accommodation for ..... people

- ☐ Single room(s)
- ☐ Double/twin room(s)

☐ I am planning to attend the 1996 YL Meeting in Berlin but will arrange my own accommodation.

I am

- ☐ interested
- ☐ not interested

in the proposed coach trip to Friedrichshafen

☐ I expect to arrive in Berlin a few days before the meeting.

☐ I would like to stay in Berlin for a few days after the meeting.

Additional Comments

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(***Journey**, cont. from p. 10)*
UE9WTL for Terry and UE9WML for me. We could use these calls anywhere within the Russian Federation, but, whenever possible, we obtained normal reciprocal calls: R3/home call for Nizhny and Moscow; R9/ for Ufa, and R0/ for Kyzyl. We had the first reciprocal licenses ever issued to foreigners in Kyzyl.

We carried no equipment; all operation was from either club or personal stations, thanks to the generosity and hospitality of the many hams we met along the way. Where stations were not easily available, as in Kyzyl, they collected radio and antennas in an accessible QTH. Throughout, our operation was mainly in the evenings, and we worked pile-ups of European and Japanese stations, with a sprinkling of other areas.

Our grateful thanks to all the people we met and all those who in one way or another contributed to the success of our journey.

***(Radio and TV Museum**, cont. from p. 11)*
the hams were allowed on the bands and new licenses were granted again.

It was very interesting to make this trip to the past, with the help of photographs, apparatus, and sound devices. As I was born and went to school in Lahti, it gave me a great nostalgic pleasure to climb up to the hill where I had always seen the high towers dominating the view of my home town.

Another YLRL traveler: At left is Leo, UA3DR, of Moscow; Linda, AA5GS, of Oklahoma City, and Val, UA3DEA, of Sergiev Posad, Russia

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First District **Anne Manna, WB1ARU**

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There has been much activity around 1-land since June, when I last wrote. I heard from Arline, N1OMA, about her Field Day activities. She operated with Wellesley A.R.S. W1TKZ, and they had four YL operators: Barb, N1ICQ; Jennifer, N1HOE; Arline, N1OMA, and 10-year- old Amanda, KB1BHW. It was the first time Amanda had operated away from her Dad's equipment.

Capeway Radio Club Field Day had two YL operators this year: Lynne, KA1NLD, and Anne, WB1ARU. We were pleased to again have a high score in our class (3A), both nationally and in 1-land.

The 1994 New England District ARRL Convention was held on October 1 and 2. YLRL and WRONE shared a table in a high-traffic area so we could "see and be seen" by all who attended. Nearly 60 YLs stopped by and signed the guest book. Several were new hams or soon-to-be new hams. We also had a gathering time late Saturday afternoon to sit, relax, and chat with one another. Arline, N1OMA, was a presenter at the ARRL Education Forum, speaking about Girl Scouts.

Yankee Lassies Net continues to meet every Wednesday morning on 3.910 MHz at 8:30. Each week 10 to 15 YLs check in and share their news from all over 1-land. Check-ins this summer included Deb, KB1AOV; Barb, WB1EHS; Anne, WB1ARU; Blanche, W4GXZ; Vera, WA1JYO; Dot, KA1LDS; Helen, KB1NX; Arline, N1OMA; Bot, W1TGY; Jean, K1TVT, and Kit, WA1WQM.

Marion, KA2ZKM, and OM Joe are very busy winterizing their former summer home in Sabattday Lake, Maine, before cold weather comes. Marion will be back on the air after they move in.

New homes are the big news here. Deb, KB1AOV, is busy working on their cabin, which is located on 828 acres of Vermont mountains.

Lorraine, WA1EDR, and OM Leo, K1QPJ, have moved to Sun City Center, Florida. After 42 years in the same house, packing for a smaller home was hard, but they are looking forward to a renewed social life with 13,000 aged 55+ neighbors. They celebrated their 45th aniversary on July 2. Before leaving 1-land, they visited Kit, WA1WQM, and Bob, WA1TKH, in their new Vermont retirement home.

Dot, W1TGY, and OM Phil, W1JTH, received more awards for their volunteer work with the American Lung Association of Maine. They have been working on communications for the annual Bike Trek for all the ten years that it has been held. The Trek is a 185-mile fundraiser that had 920 bikers participating this year!

WRONE will be holding their Fall Luncheon at the Galley Hatch Restaurant in Hampton, New Hampshire, on November 5. News from that event next time. Happy holidays to all! 33, Anne, WB1ARU

Second District — Miriam Lamb, AA2DX

It is official! The next YLRL convention will be held in Albany, New York, on July 11-14, 1996. There are many reasons for choosing this particular timeframe, not the least of which is that it is precisely a week before the Olympics begin in Atlanta. It is our hope that many of our DX members might consider combining the two events. As for the choice of Albany, those of us who live in the New York/New Jersey area know what a terrific city it is. And, of course, many members of SAYLARC who are honchoing the event live in that area. But for those who do not know what a magnificent state New York is, crowned by its capital Albany, I will be writing a small article entitled "Why Albany?" for each issue of **YL Harmonics** until the convention. Please read each of these and be sure to send me whatever input you might have. We want to encourage everyone we possible can to join us for a rousing good time.

The semi-annual SAYLARC luncheon was held on Saturday, October 1, 1994, in Amsterdam, New York. Elsie Mueller, KA2ESQ, did a splendid job as hostess and "general planner." Because everyone knew we would be discussing our role in the upcoming convention, attendance was just splendid. Members present, in addition to Elsie, were Betty Strattan, W2PVS; Wanda Traver, N2JBK; Christine Haycock, WB2YBA; Minerva Fronhofer, WB2JNL; Maryhelen Welch, KB2MWH; Audrey Foody, N2QJZ; Gladys Zickler, WB2RWT; Cathy Farina, N2SHC; Cathy Casey, N2SQY; Marcy Kessler, WA2URE; Lois Ierlan, WA2RXO; Lucile Fortune, KB2FTP; Madeline Hagen, KA2UYH; Candy Pettcys, N2OKA; and Carli Drake, WB1BTJ. YLs present, but not currently members of SAYLARC, were Darlene Lake, N2XQG, and Ruth Hammond, KA2ITI, guests of Candy, N2OKA. Elsie, KA2ESQ, brought her daughter Sandi Ellis, N2FPX. There was a great assortment of OMs and other guests, including Elsie's granddaughter.

Betty, W2PVS, read the nominations for those running for office: President Minerva, WB2JNL; Vice-President Maryhelen, KB2MWH, and Betty, W2PVS; Secretary/Treasurer Miriam, AA2DX, and Membership Chairman Jean, WA2BGE, and Carli, WB1BTJ.

Discussion, of course centered around plans for the convention. It was particularly fortuitous to have Christine, WB2YBA, President of YLRL, join us. She urged us (and by extension all of you 2-landers out there) to mention the convention on the nets and whenever they meet other YLs. Chris will be working on hosting the spring luncheon in upper New Jersey. Anyone who would like to help Chris should contact her.

In spite of the long hiatus because of the Directory issue, I've not had any news other than convention news. Pop to it, ladies! 33, Miriam

Third District — Ruthanna Pearson, WB3CQN

It was great to hear from Miriam Blackburn, W3UUG. One and a half years ago, she sold her house and moved to the Passavant Retirement Center, In Zelienople. She enjoys it very much, but she had to get rid of all her radio gear and it's sad we won't hear her on the air. She will always belong to YLRL and enjoys reading about everyone. Miriam served as Secretary and Editor of YLRL and entered a lot of the contests. I am sure she would love hearing from you gals, so why not drop her a note. Her address is 135 Hankey Dr, Zelienople, PA 16063-1570.

York's hamfest was held the last weekend of September. Lois, WB3EFQ, and OM Tom, W3BZN, came down from Altoona, and Jeanne, KA3CEO, and her OM Dick, WB3AJC, came up from Maryland. We all got together Saturday and had a ragchew, looked at Lois's and Tom's pictures from New Zealand and then went out for dinner. It was great. On Sunday, Maryann, WA3HUP, Dawn, WB3GOC, and her OM Koos, KK3S, and I, WB3CQN, visited with Lois and Tom and walked around the hamfest. My big purchase was a new repeater book! Lois and Tom had their beautiful motorhome so we could always go back and relax.

Jeanne, KA3CEO, now has a new FT-840 Yaesu rig in her kitchen. She is rediscovering old nets and friends.

Jane, K3ZDN, was on a 2,000 mile bus trip for 15 days through the national park canyon lands of the West, including Yellowstone, Bryce, and the Grand Canyon. She took her HT along, wondering if anyone would hear her. She had contacts in Jackson, Wyoming, and Salt Lake City and Moab, Utah. Jane would like to thank all the gals who sent her cards and notes of sympathy on the loss of her friend, Edie, W3AAU/7.

I would like to take a minute and welcome Mary, N3RBT, and Deb, N3NBW, who are members of the VHF club in York. I know Mary is studying to upgrade. Mary, listen to those tapes and before long you can join me in chasing DX! Our VHF club has over 214 members, with 20 YLs and, trust me, I am trying to get them to upgrade. The club just put up a new 170' tower and sponsors many family activities, such as a pig roast on October 8 (with two tables of desserts!) and a corn roast in Aug.

I managed to talk to Heather, VK2HD. I called her on the phone on her birthday since the bands are so terrible! She gives her best to all of us and is doing OK, although she has trouble with her hands and is not able to write many letters. I also keep in touch with Poppy, VK6YF, Gwen, VK3DYL, and Mavis, VK3KS, and Ivor. They too send their 33s. We miss talking to all of you but keep the letters and pictures coming!

Thanks, gals, for the news. Keep it coming. We have to let the other gals know we are a great group of hams in the 3rd call area! 33 Ruthanna

Fourth District — Mary Moore, KL7/4

Christmas is just around the corner. What a short year it's been. The slower I go, the faster time passes! I'm not even going to try to figure out the reasons for that.

I received a letter from Edith, N4YHE. She had volunteered to pull duty as a security guard for the Jacksonville Amateur Radio Club Hamfest on October 6th and 7th. At the age of 83, she says she is still ready to give her all for her country and ham radio! They invited an astronaut to be a speaker at the hamfest, and she was looking forward to meeting him. Edith is also the E.C. (ARRL) of Bradford County, Florida, and a member of QCWA. I look forward to hearing about how the hamfest turned out as I could not attend this one.

I also heard from Alice, N4DDK, from Largo, Florida. Alice was DC for the 4th call area in 1986 and 1987. She passed along some useful information on hamfest activity. This summer she traveled through part of Alaska with Mary Lou, NM7N, in her RV. They took the Alaska Ferry to Juneau, flew to Gustavus, where they took a one-day boat trip on Glacier Bay, flew back to Juneau, took the ferry to Haines, and then drove into the interior. They visited the Anchorage club, met some of the local hams, caught halibut in Cook Inlet, and then drove back to Washington, via the Alcan. Makes me hungry for halibut. We used to take fresh halibut fillets, place them skinside down in aluminum foil, season with lemon-pepper, wrap and cook on a medium-hot grill for 15 minutes. Melts in your mouth! Not much fresh halibut in Alabama. I may have to try that with catfish!

In the local area, a group of YLs started a monthly social gathering and a weekly two-meter net. Our social is the third Saturday of the month and the place varies. The net meets on Monday nights at 9:00 p.m. Eastern/8:00 p.m. Central time on the 146.94 repeater. All YLs are encouraged to participate. The initiators of this YL activity are: Sandi, KD4PIV; Mary Elizabeth, KE4FDN; Michelle, KE4FYF; Jennifer, KD4QQK; Karen, KE4BSL; Barbara, KR4SJ; Cheryl, N4JFV, and Mary, KL7P. The purpose is to increase YL activity and to encourage others to become YL operators. Look for many of these YLs in the new member listing.

Mobile, Alabama, is our next hamfest on October 29. Then will be Lawrenceville, Georgia, on November 5th and Montgomery, Alabama, on November 12th.

Many of the 4th call area YLs are net control stations or regular check-ins on HF nets already, but I'd sure like to see an evening YL net on HF. I'd like to hear from any YLs interested in a 4th area HF YL net. I hope the holidays are safe and happy for all of you. See you next year!

Fifth District — Doris Anderson, K5BNQ

Aren't the autumn leaves beautiful? Some of us in the 5th District, however, could use a LOT less rain! The flooding has been most tragic.

The Texas YL Round-Up Net 40th Anniversary Party in Commerce, Texas, on September 23-24, was a great success. It was hosted by Judi, N0IDR; Lynn, N5IYW, and Helen, W5LGY. Others attending were: Viola, W5FBM; Lyn, W5RYX; Doris, K5BNQ; Alverta, K5MIZ; Harryette, W6QGX; Alma, AB5BA; Myrtle, WB5FGM; Joyce, W5MWK; Connie, KB5LES; Maureen, N5FFB; Ann, N5GHS; Kathy, K5IHF; Margaret, K5MXO; Alberta, K5MIZ; Jan, N5LVI; Dorothy, KA5DWR, and Brenda, N5GFI.

Linda, AA5GS, has been globe-hopping. She and OM Rick, KG5GD, visited friends Val, UA3DEA, and his wife Lena in Russia. Then Linda returned to New Zealand to visit friends—Chris, ZL3AFT; Murray, ZL3DJ, and Isabel, ZL3TAJ. Then in July, Linda took a girlfriend and revisited Russia to see Val and Lena and met Leo, UA3DR, another Russian ham, with whom she has talked for years. She hasn't figured out what she would be doing if she hadn't gotten her ham license back in 1988. She has a daily sked with ZL3AFT on 15 and 20, and with few exceptions, they get to talk every day. Fantastic! *(Photo on p. 18)*

Darleen, WD5FQX, has had adjustments to make due to the death of her OM Joe, but it hasn't slowed her down much. She attended the graduation of her daughter Diane, KG5CS/0, from the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks. Congrats to Diane, who graduated summa cum laude with a B.S. in Aeronautical studies and a minor in Political Science. Then Darleen and Diane flew to Fresno, California, to celebrate the 90th birthday of Darleen's father and visit with KA6SOC. In July, Diane was married to Robert, KB0LZM, at Peace Lutheran Church in Devils Lake, ND. Sue, KA6SOC, and her OM Bill and Nellie, XE1CI, were there for the wedding. Congratulations, Diane and Robert. Darleen is still running around to world—to Ecuador to settle legal matters, back to California to care for her dad, and now on an extended cruise. Wow!*

My OM Andy and I are off to Great Britain. We'll be involved in a Lay Witness Mission in Letterston, Wales, and hope to see some beautiful parks and interesting birds along the coastline there.

Have a happy Thanksgiving, everyone. Let me hear from some more of you. Jot down your activities on a postcard and get them to me by December 27 or so. This is your column! 33, Doris, K5BNQ

*Darleen was on 20 meters from Monaco on October 28, giving some happy people another YL country! (Propagation to the U. S. was poor.)

Sixth District — Vi Barrett, W6CBA

Marti, N6XDS, was elected President of the Palos Verdes ARC. She also started back to work in March as a manager for a large furniture store. Unfortunately, now she is unable to check into the Tangle Net.

Mady, KA6ZYF, and OM Terry, W6/G3MHV, visited Russia for five weeks during May and June. They began their trip in Moscow and traveled across Russia, leaving from Vladivostok to fly back to the United States. They operated in all the cities that they visited, and Mady's call was R0/KA6ZYF.

Shirley, WB6VAU, is living with her son and family. He is a ham, and she is looking forward to surprising us on the Ironing Board Net on 40 meters, by checking in some Tuesday or Friday. Her daughter Candace, WA6VAV/7, had foot surgery and is recovering nicely.

Jackie, W7YKU, and her OM W7CKV just returned from a three-week safari in Africa, through Kenya and Tanzania. The annual migration of the wild animals was going on and they saw thousands of animals. It was a great experience. This was something they had wanted to do for many years.

Jeanette, KD6GA, lives in Seal Beach now. She visited her family in South Dakota but was glad to be home. She checks in occasionally with the YL LA club on two meters. She belongs to LARA and works 20 meters regularly.

Bobbi, KA6JDO, is now working on the Queen Mary, greeting people as they visit the Amateur Radio station. I am in charge of the packet station. It's fun.

Liz, N6FBT, attended a family and a 50th class reunion at the La Guardia Airport Hotel in New York. There were people from all over the U. S. and was fantastic.

Louise, N6JDE, is happy to have her OM Al, K6PQZ, home from Georgia, where he has been helping with the Red Cross disaster services.

Charlene, KA6HNI, has taken several jaunts to Catalina Island this summer.

The YLRC-LA didn't meet in July or August. LARA of Orange County didn't meet in July, but picked up in August. Jeri, KB6UX, the President, is already planning the Christmas party.

My OM Don, KA6DJK, and I just returned from a three-week trip up Highway 49, through the Gold Country of California. The trip started with the yearly big barbecue and picnic near Mariposa for the Western Public Service System on 75 meters. Then north through the quaint towns of Jamestown, Sonora, Calaveras Big Trees, Jackson, Placerville, Coloma, and Auburn and over to Reno, Highway 395, and home. 33, Vi

Seventh District — Norma Griffin, N7GLQ

Anne-Marie, N6QPY/7, is now net control for the Ironing Board Net, every Tuesday, at 1700Z on 7.233 kHz. Irma, K6KCI, is the alternate and "ever-faithful back-up." Anne-Marie says that she feels as if she has a whole new circle of friends. She attended the YLRL-LA luncheon in June at Irma's home and was thrilled to meet some of the YLs from the net. Then in August, off to the ARRL Convention in San Diego with OM Bob, W6WBY. She attended the Ladies' Luncheon, where she met more members of the net—Esther, W6BDE, and Roxie, K6ELO. Anne-Marie also won one of the door prizes—a beautiful hand-crafted rattan bird cage, filled with roses and birds!

Beth, KC7AYH, wrote me about membership in YLRL. She is a student at Carey Junior High in Cheyenne, Wyoming, is 14 years old, and has had her license since December 1993. She got her call in March and has already made about 100 contacts. Now Beth has passed the Advanced test and is anxiously awaiting her license. Cindy, KC7EEI, is another student, who just got her Novice ticket.

Linda, KJ7DU, ex-KB7UQO, recently upgraded to Advanced. Her daughter Natalie, KC7FWM, is a new Novice, who is 7 1'2 years old and in the second grade. She is enjoying making CW contacts and is trying to talk to states that Mom has not!

Marion, WA7TLL, and her OM Ray, WA7TSO, have sold their home in Seattle and are moving to Bellevue. Unfortunately, Marion will be off the air her her MINOW Net friends hope she will soon find a way to get up some kind of antenna.

Anna, KA7JYA, and her OM have been enjoying their boat this summer. They cruised the San Juans. Next year they are looking forward to a trip to the South Pacific and around the world.

Many MINOW Net members and OMs became Silent Keys this year. They include Irma Duncan, K7OVW; her OM Joe; Fran Bailey, K7MRX; her OM James "Doc", K7LDK, and Bud, K7RAO, OM of Bobbie, K7RAM.

Helen, NS5T, and her OM arrived at their winter home in Yuma around October 1. It took them a couple of weeks to unpack the 5th wheel as the temperature was still in the 100s. Last June, they did a lot of sightseeing on their trip back to Oregon. Luckily they toured then, as on this trip they were so heavily packed that they didn't feel like stopping.

The Cactus Keys check in 43 YLs at the booth during the Ft. Tuthill Hamfest, July 22-24, in Flagstaff, Arizona. Mrs. Mawren of Phoenix won the afghan made by Inez, WB7USZ, and the spouse of John, K7RCV, won the needlepoint semi-truck, made by Ski, KA7QEH.

Hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving and are looking forward to the Christmas festivities. Next news by December 20. Enjoy! 33, Norma

Eighth District **Carol Hall, WD8DQG**

We arrived back in Michigan after spending a hot summer in Yellowstone National Park. We came home by way of the Findlay, Ohio, Hamfest, were we enjoyed a nice visit with Doris, WD8IKC; her her OM Stan (who won a HT); Marilyn, N8BFI; her OM Gary; Carol, W8WRJ, and Carole, WB9RUS, the 9th District Chairperson. Jim picked up some new hardline and we spent the next week taking down the antenna and putting on new hardline and tuning the quad.

Donna, W8QOY, is undergoing cardiac rehab three times a week, following the heart attack she suffered in July. On the Buckeye Belles net, she told us that she was now able to walk to the mailbox and back.

Anna, NT8Y, and her OM are headed back to Florida for the winter.

Jean, WB8FIC, helped with communications at the Brown Jug Horse Parade by checking more than 100 entries before they got to the reviewing stand.

Judy, N8UWH, has taken on the responsibilities as township clerk, but that did not deter her from attending the Lansing, Michigan, Hamfest, where she enjoyed a nice visit with W8QOY, and Myriam, K8ILN.

W8RZN has given up net control of the Buckeye Belle Memorial Station W8MBI, after 14 years of dedicated service. Carol, K8DHK, is the new custodian. This net meets on Tuesday evening at 8:00 p.m. ET, on 3972.5 MHz.

Saundra, N8TAB, has been re-elected Secretary of the Canton ARC. She furnished communications for a bicycle race with that club on October 1. Saundra and Doris, WD8IKC, provided public service for the Massillon ARC at the rest stop on I-77 in Dover, Ohio, in September, furnishing refreshments to weary travelers.

Carol, W8WRJ, was in charge of the women's activities at the Cleveland Hamfest.

Sara, KB8RHG, has been keeping a weekly CW schedule with Doris, WD8IKC, in spite of her busy schedule with school, soccer, concert band, and marching band. She just passed her Tech exam. Congratulations! Her younger sister is now studying for her Novice ticket.

I am finally a grandmother—Tristan James Hall was born September 16, weighing 9 lbs, 2 oz, in Ann Arbor, Michigan. His father is Matthew, one of my twin sons, and his wife Jill. 33, Carol, WD8DQG

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Editor's Notes: Congratulations to Carol and Jim on the new grandson!

Doris, WD8IKC, is busy now tending Stan, after he suffered extensive injuries from a fall while trimming a tree. Get well soon, Stan!

Ninth District **Carole Burke, WB9RUS**

Happy fall, ladies. As I write this on Halloween, it is so hard to believe that when we all read this in **Harmonics** it will be almost Christmas. Time does fly. Speaking of time flying, earlier this month, my OM and I celebrated our 30th wedding anniversary. It hardly seems possible. Our son and his family came from Dayton, our daughter and her husband and son came over, and my mother took us all to dinner at a very posh restaurant. It was a very nice evening.

In September, the Fort Wayne Radio Club sponsored the Fifth Summit City Hamfest. For the third and last year, I headed the concession stand. I actually got out of the stand for a little, looking around this year. One of the nice people saw was Peggy, W9JUJ. Too bad we only run into each other at a few hamfests every year, but if it weren't for hamfests we wouldn't see each other at all.

I got a note from Beryl, KA9BAC, and big congratulations are in order. She, her OM Roy, K9FHI, and their son Gary, K9BAE, all upgraded to Extra class! Way to go, Beryl. She's a lady after my own heart—besides hamming, she knits, crochets, tats, and sews.

Since I don't have a lot of YL news, you will get grandson news. Our one-year-old Tyler has nine teeth. He only had four on his first birthday, but in two months has gotten five more. Tyler is also walking all over the place now. Sean, his four-year-old brother, is in pre-school and loves it. On the first day of school, all the other children were crying and clinging to mother, but Sean informed his teacher that "I came back." His mom didn't know if she should be pleased or sad that he reacted so well. Al and I got to go to Grandparents' Day at our nine-year-old grandson Mackenzie's school. We had lunch with him and listen to part of **Charlotte's Web**. He is lucky. He goes to a school that is small enough that they have lunches cooked right at the school.

Well, ladies, everyone have a safe winter and happy holidays. Remember if I don't hear from you, you only hear of grandchildren! 33 and best wishes for the new year. Carole, WB9RUS

UPGRADES

KC4OTI	Rose Porter	Advanced
KJ7DU	Linda Reichert, ex-KB7UQO	Advanced
KB8RHG	Sara Kozvp	Technician
KA9BAC	Beryl Pedersen	Extra

Tenth District **Lorrie Loeffler, WD0AGY**

Diane Magen, KG5CS/0, graduated summa cum laude May 15th from the University of North Dakota at Grand Fords, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Aeronautical Studies and a minor in Political Science. Following graduation, she drove her mother Darleen, WD5FQX, back to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they spent a few days together before flying to San Francisco. They were met by Sue, KA6SOC, and spent the night with Sue and her OM Bill before being driven to Fresno to visit Diane's grandfather and help him celebrate his 90th birthday a bit early.

On July 15th, Diane married Robert Nelson, KB0LZM, in North Dakota. Several YLRL members attended, including Sue, KA6SOC, and Bill, and Nellie, XE1CI, from Mexico City. On July 25th, Diane and Rob flew to Sydney, Australia, where they spent four nights before boarding the Cunard Crown Monarch on a 14-day honeymoon cruise, with stops at Fiji, Vanautu, and New Caledonia.

When they arrived in Noumea, Aimee, FK8FA, and her OM met them and took them to their home to spend the night and enjoy a magnificent French dinner. The following day, they were taken on an extensive sightseeing trip around the beautiful island. Diane and Rob returned to Fargo on August 14th, where they will reside for several years while Rob is continuing his studies toward a doctorate in Pharmacy.

Diane has had a big year—first, graduating; then, getting married, and, while on the honeymoon cruise, she celebrated her 21st birthday on August 4th. Congratulations and best wishes!

VE District **Jeanne Gordon, VE2JZ**

Jeanne, VA3WX, now has her new call and is quite settled in the new QTH. She has dipole antennaes up for 20, 40, and 80, and a 2-meter ground plane on the chimney. An S-7 noise frustrates her on 40! She has begun volunteer work for Meals on Wheels and the Animal Aid Society. In mid-October, Jeanne had Margaret, G0BMQ, and OM John, G3JRL, as guests for a 5-day visit. Jeanne sponsors Margaret into CLARA. A CLARA luncheon was held at Jeanne's and a they also went on a trip to Niagara Falls.

Bev, VE3BGC, had a wonderful trip via bicycle to Europe. She came to a local shopping centre in St. Catharines to meet Margaret and Jeanne when they came to Niagara Falls. Our sympathy goes to Bev and her family on the loss of their son in mid-September.

Thelma, VE3CLT, had a good time at the RAC Convention in Calgary. There were about 1100 in attendance. She attended the Friday evening welcome party, seminars, banquet, CLARA breakfast gathering, and farewell party. She is knitting Christmas gifts for her great-grandchildren and she also crochets bottle caps for hot trivets to protect tables. Her vegetable garden really produced an abundance of vegetables for her to eat this year.

Pauline, VE3LQA, is now on packet and enjoys it, especially since she can keep in touch with her brother. She and her OM had motored out to British Columbia by mid-September. Along the way she contacted and visited some of the CLARA YLs she has known for a long time.

Marge, VE1VCH, had successful eye surgery in October. She and her family motored to Cape Breton and had a nice get-together over Thanksgiving at a lodge they visited last year. Marge can be heard regularly as a net control on the CLARA net.

On Tuesday, August 30th, YLs were invited to come and operate the special station VE3CNE for the Canadian National Exhibition. The organizer was Audrey, VE3CCO, and our thanks go to Irene, VE3AUR; Mildred, VE3SKE; Muriel, VE3SOL; Thelma, VE3CLT, and Helen, VE3PUA, for giving of the time to operate the station.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Lorraine, WA1EDR, and Leo, K1QPJ, on their 45th anniversary.
Carole, WB9RUS, and Al, WB9SSE, on their 30th anniversary.
Bev, VE3BGC, and Robert, on their 50th anniversary.
Dr. Christine Haycock, WB2YBA, who was honored by the Photographic Society of America and named a Fellow of the PSA.
Susie Scott, N8CGM, Editor of **The Q-Fiver**, which was the 1994 winner in the ARRL Ohio Section's Newsletter Contest.

DX YL News

Lorraine Witkowski, WA1EDR

INTRODUCING NEW DX YLS

We are happy to welcome Barbara Foote, G0SKC, into YLRL. Her sponsor is Arline Berry, N1OMA, and there will be more information on Barbara in the next issue. Barbara's address is 27 Meadow Lane, Worsley, Manchester M28 2PL, England.

Ruthe Ferguson, W1SCS/G, has moved to the Isle of Wight, UK, to be near her daughter, Dr. Dale Ferguson. Ruthe was licensed in 1942 and holds an Advanced class license. She is now a member of the Isle of Wight A.R.C. and won "Worked All Europe" last year for the Isle of Wight. She has also held the calls ZF1RF and VP2MS.

Ruthe was one of the founders of WRONE and has been very active as a charter member. She has been a member of YLRL and holds certificates for six YLRL contests. She received Public Service Awards in 1952 and 1953. Ruthe's OM Jack, W1IIM, passed away ten years ago. Dorothy Hilbrunner, N1BHA, is Ruthe's long-time friend and sponsor. Her address is 1 Stonepitts Close, Binstead Rd, Ryde, Isle of Wight, PO 33 3NG, United Kingdom. *(N1BHA is on the left; W1SCS/G, is at right in the photo above.)*

Dora Ivanova Radeva, LZ3YH, was licensed on February 11, 1993, and is active on VHF, packet, and 160, 80, and 40 meters. Her packet address is LZ3YH @ LZ3IH.STZ.BGR.EU. She also works 2 meters FM. Dora loves dancing, singing, and listening to music and is a student, with two more years of mathematics school. She likes to cook and tries to prepare interesting meals, but she says she likes "Sending CQ on packet and making new friends" most of all. Her mother is Maria; her father is Ivan, LZ3IH, and she has a 10-year-old brother Mitko. Dora is sponsored by Deborah Clark, KB1AOV, and her address is P. O. Box 30, Stara Zagora 6000, Bulgaria, Europe.

NEWS OF DX YL MEMBERS

Raija Ulin, SM0HNV, writes that she had a very joyful trip to the USA and attended the Dayton Hamvention, where she met many old friends, including Ton, JR6XIX, and Nellie, XE1CI. She enjoyed the hospitality and friendship of Carol, WD8DQG, and Kay, WA0WOF. After the Hamvention, she came home with Kay for a short visit and was able to say hello to Carla, WO6X; Lia, WA2NFY; Phyllis, W2GLB/7, Marcia, K6DLL, and other YLs on YL Open House. She sends thanks and 33 to all.

Nozomi Gohara, JH3SQN, flew to London and visited old castles, churches, and many interesting places in the UK. They drove to Scotland and Wales and saw green fields, hills, and forests, with many sheep and lambs. She was very happy to visit Wadsworth's Dove Cottage.

Hiromi Hishiki, JJ1CAS, sends greetings from Japan. Hiromi says that the summer weather has been very hot this year. She wishes all YLRL members good luck.

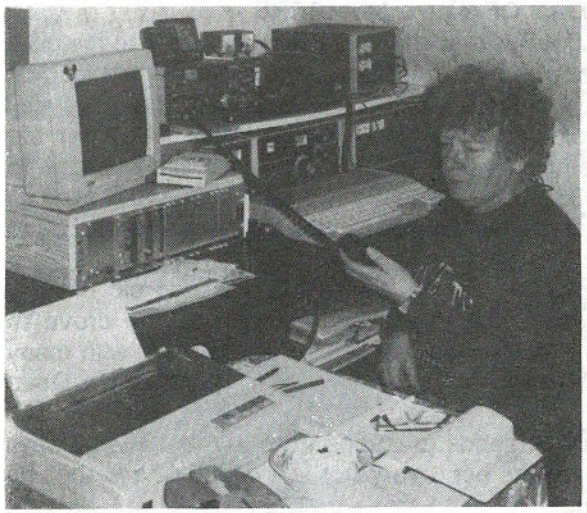
Christine Dons, GM4YMM, sends news that her daughter Tanya had a baby boy in June. Mother, father, and grandmother are all doing well. Christine planned a visit in late July to see them. Then in August, she flew to Norway to help celebrate her mother-in-law's 80th birthday. Her son graduated on July 7th from the Teacher Training College. Christine still needs North Dakota, Utah, Missouri, and Nevada for WAS YL. She is on 14, 21, and 28 MHz on Saturday or Sunday. Propagation is getting better, so, gals, please listen for her or write to set up a schedule.

Olga Schumacher, DJ0MCL, writes that she enjoys reading **YL Harmonics**. She says time goes on so quickly and there is always a lot to do in the house and garden. She sends very best 33 to all YLs.

Margret Broman, SM4PUR, writes that she is very tired most of the time, due to the strokes she had two years ago. Her right hand is partially paralyzed. She has been busy with visiting grandchildren and some Amateur Radio visitors from Switzerland and Germany. The town has the Falu Folk Music Festival, but it was so hot she was not able to go downtown to see it. This summer Sweden exerienced high temperatures, which are unusual.

Kerstin Bengtssen, SM5EUU, was on vacation in the Swedish wilderness, canoeing, fishing, and riding. writes her sponsor Dorothy Jones, KA5DWR.

Lydia Zastrau, DF3BN, writes that she is very happy that Barbara, KA0GON, has sponsored her for the last eleven years, and they have enjoyed a lovely correspondence. Lydia has a B-license, but since they are not allowed to have a 10 meter tower in their garden, she can only work with a W3DZZ antenna. It is good for 40 and 80 meters, but not 20. She is QRV in several YL-OM roundtables on 2 meters and 70 cm and



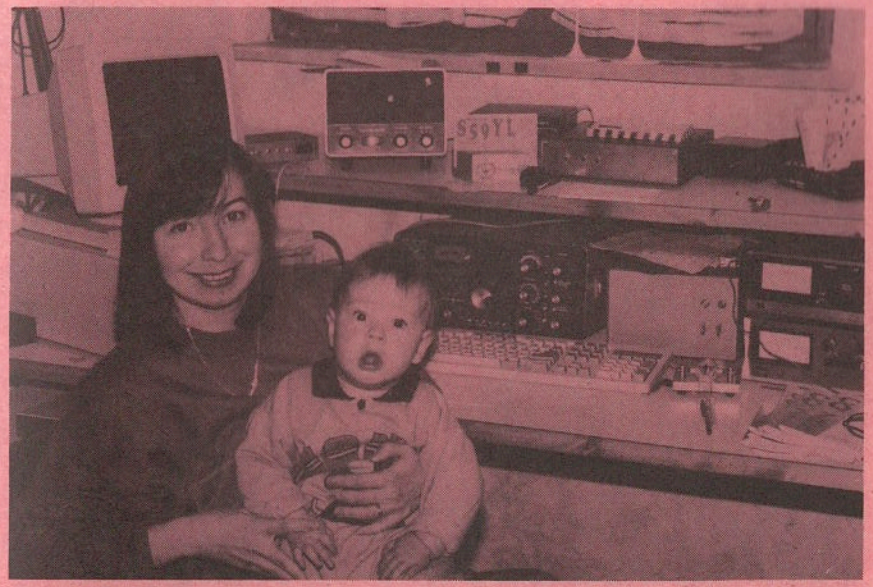
on packet radio. Lydia and her OM Gerhard, DF3BY, plan to go to several ham meetings in Germany and the Netherlands.

She is working for the DNAT, Deutsch Niederlandische Amateur (German-Dutch ham meeting). For the past 26 years, she has written reports for **VERON**, **VRZA**, **CQ-DL,** and **DL-YL Information**. Her one son, Jorg, DL1BKU, is studying in Kaisenbautern and is the SYSOP for German digipeaters DB0BIB and DB0KLN, . She sends this picture of herself and also sends best wishes and greetings to all YLRL members.

Iris Osborne, G0FIW, received her first issue of **YL Harmonics** and enjoyed it very much. She is living in the Angila region, where wheat and barley are grown. There is a wheat field opposite her home, and she is not too happy if the wind blows in the wrong direction as it blows all the weed seeds and dust into her garden. It also blocks up gutters and spreads dirt through to the curtains. She has made contact with a friend she had lost contact with for 55 years through Pearl Neilson, ZL2QY. Pearl's friend in Otaki inserted an advertisement in the Otaki Historical Society monthly newsletter, and it gave results. Ham radio came through again.

Maria Oosthuizen, ZS1AFZ, has been licensed since November, 1990. She is active on CW almost exclusively and works SSB only to get countries she can't get on CW. She is working on her WAS and still needs North Dakota and Idaho. She is usually QRV at 1700 UTC between 21.040 and 21.050 MHz. If someone in either of these states would like to set up a schedule with her, she would be most appreciative. Currently, Maria is having rather serious problems with TVI and some of her neighbors. She and her OM Danie are fighting to keep their antennas up, even though their neighbors have asked the municipality to force them to take them down. Hopefully, they can stay on the air.

Constance Hall, G8LY, wishes to send her best wishes for a happy Christmas and a happy 1995 to all YL operators. She has not been active on the DX bands for nearly a year, partly because conditions have been so erratic and her energy has slowed. She is 83 1/2 years young!



Alenka Celik, S59YL, of Nova Gorica, Slovenia, sends this photo of herself and her son Matey at her ham station. Alenka says her son is walking and talking and has shown some interest in ham radio. She is back to her job now and has really little time for ham radio but tries not to miss any important DXpeditions. Alenka was very sorry to miss her sponsor Val von Holt, KH6QI, when Val was in Europe and she hopes to make contact the next time Val is traveling in Europe. She sends her telephone number for any YL who intends to visit Europe and might come to Slovenia. The country code for Slovenia is 386. Outside Slovenia, dial (0) 65 and the city number 23 267. Alenka says, "Every YL is heartily welcome by us." She sends best regards to all members of YOLRL and best wishes for very nice holidays.

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has written to me this past year. I have really enjoyed hearing from you. I want to wish you and all your families very happy, peaceful, and healthy holidays and a happy new year. 33, Lorraine, WA1EDR

*Congratulations to the **Italian YL Club "Elettra Marconi"** on the 25th anniversary in October! A photo and report on the meeting will appear in the next **YL Harmonics.***

*The 12th BYLARA Contest will be held from 1900 to 2200 UTC on February 9, 1995, and from 1000 to 1300 UTC, on February 11th. Complete rules and a list of available BYLARA awards will also appear in the next **YL Harmonics.***