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# The President's Message

Dana Tramba, NOFYQ

Dear Friends,

I really enjoyed reading the last issue of YL Harmonics. Keep in touch with your District Chairman and Kay so we can continue to have news.

I hope you will take time to recruit a YL or even do a program on YLRL at your local club meeting. Let's let the world know that YLRL is alive and well and invite all YL's to be a part of our YL family.

Letters have gone out to the YLRL Board of Directors regarding the 1993 YLRL Convention. My recommendation to them, after consulting with the convention committee, is to hold the convention in Wichita, Kansas, on July 9, 10, and 11, 1993. That is about as central USA as one can get.

More information will be in each issue of YL Harmonics. The hotel rates are very affordable. Please let us know how we can help you get here. If any of you need letters written to you, inviting you personally so you can take them to your embassy, please let me know.

The joy of YLRL for me is making friends from around the world, and we are all looking forward to the eyelash QSO. Our home will be open to YLs and OMs wanting to come early or to stay after the convention. We even have twelve acres that we can park lots of campers on. We might even decide to have a special event station in the middle of a wheat field. Hi!

So block your calendar now. Check in on the nets for convention information and listen for those Kansas YLs inviting you to "Come see me in '93" because we are anxious to share our part of the world with you! Love and peace, Dana

#### ADDITIONAL NOTE FROM DANA, NOFYQ:

Our rubber stamp supplier for YLRL had a stroke recently. Flo, KU7F, received a letter from his wife, stating that Jerry is still unable to use his right hand and arm and, therefore, is unable to continue with our stamps, at present.

When Jerry produced the stamps, he charged us \$9.75 and sent them postpaid. I've been looking for a supplier, but the least expensive I have found in this area is \$12-\$14. If you know anyone who would like to supply our stamps, please let Flo know. Her address is listed on p. 1 and on the supplies page. Remember to keep Jerry in your prayers! 33, Dana

Come see me in '93!

# Certificates and Awards

## CONTINUOUS MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN

Jeanette Ellis, NP2C, Custodian  
November 1, 1991 to February 29, 1992

CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS	CALL	YRS
KK4EK	5	HB9CYH	5	WD8MEV	10	WB9KQM	15
N4OJI	5	I5UNA	5	N9CSG	10	WD0CSW	15
KK4OK	5	IT9KXI	5	KD9DU	10	JF1WMY	15
WA4WPN	5	JF1IZM	5	WA0SGJ	10	W3HSS	20
KG5CS	5	JJ1CAS	5	G4KVR	10	WA8BQG	20
KA5DWR	5	LX2EL	5	G4OAT	10	W8VWL	20
KB6CGP	5	PY7VBG	5	JR3HII	10	WA0WAD	20
N7IXI	5	ZL2VQ	5	OZ1FRR	10	WA0WOF	20
WB7PHL	5	4X6TB	5	VK6YF	10	HB9ACO	20
KA7PTO	5	KA2LDL	10	WB1BZE	15	ZS5DC	20
KA9VJF	5	AC2V	10	WA2NBE	15	W7WLX	25
NO9W	5	WA3HUP	10	KD2VX	15	VE3CLT	25
KA0EPR	5	KA3JNU	10	WB3CQN	15	VE4ST	25
KA0POG	5	KD3LU	10	WB3HYN	15	WA4BVD	30
WH6BIR	5	N4HPY	10	WB6IZB	15	K5JKV	30
CP5HF	5	N5DXD	10	WB6QBZ	15	K7PVG	30
DJ6US	5	K5YL	10	WB6TCT	15	K8VFR	30
F6ISN	5	K6ANG	10	KQ7Y	15	K9ZVW	30
FK8FA	5	KM6MF	10	WD8DLB	15	W7GUQ	35
GOEIX	5	KA6WBR	10	WD9DNN	15	K8ARA	35
GM1VFS	5	KD8HB	10				

## YLCC

Natalie Vincent, WA2RPQ, Custodian

### New Application

#1079 Kathleen Horrell, KC4UAF 100

### Endorsement Stickers

Manuel Greco, K2LFG.....1250	Carl S. Walther, W1OPZ...950
Evgnosia Tigaraki, SV3AGO...250	Heinz Burger, DL1RA....1750
Kurt Bindschedler, HB9MX...1300	Elora Gaidrich, KB7EQW...150

Congratulations to all the above. I have been getting several letters that say people are having trouble getting YL contacts confirmed. Let's all try to confirm our contacts so everyone has a chance for this certificate. It's been so good meeting you by your letters with your applications. For YLCC information, send a business-size SASE to me. 33, Natalie, WA2RPQ

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CLARIFICATION: For the DX-YL Certificate, you must work 25 different YLs. For the DXCC-YL Certificate, you can work the same YL in several different countries.

# YLRL Contest Corner

FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT

CARLA WATSON, WO6X

I want to thank all those who took time to participate in the YL-OM Contest. With the logs, there were many letters and comments, especially from the OMs. Some thought YLRL had deleted the contest; some were wondering why so few YLs were heard.

In checking the logs, I was able to raise a few scores (a pleasant task!), but it has led me to wonder if everyone keeps abreast of the changes that have taken place in the contest rules. The last Directory issue always has the current rules.

I want to clarify a few things. The YL-OM Contest has not been deleted, and there are no plans to do so. This is one of the most popular of the YLRL contests. The contest notice was sent for publication to *QST* by the last Vice-President, NOFYQ, in October, 1991, but *QST* chose not to publish it. When I took office in January, I phoned *QST* and *CQ*, spoke to their contest managers, and was assured that the DX-YL to NA-YL would be published. Well, *CQ* disregarded it completely. *QST* did publish it in the April issue, but it was edited and the time was wrong. The DX magazines and all others on our publication list are very cooperative, but for some reason, *CQ* and *QST* have been uncooperative.

So it is imperative that we, the members, try to take the time and publicize the contests as they approach. I can appreciate that at contest time some of you have other commitments or are busy, but we all know that where there is a will, there is a way. One of our members is a registered nurse, and she always plans to be off from work at contest time.

The future and popularity of YLRL contests depends upon you. One thing that attracted me to the YLRL contests was the friendliness of the YLs. The contests are informal, and that's important because that is when we hear YL friends that are not regularly on our nets. So how about it? Let's try and be active. Have fun, and help YLRL contests regain popularity.

## 1992 YLRL YL-OM CONTEST RESULTS

PHONE		CW	
YL	OM	YL	OM
SV3AGQ.....	GOLD CUP.....	W1OPZ	
CT1YH.....	SECOND.....	W1HOZ	
K8ONV/4.....	THIRD.....	K2LFG	
SV4AFY.....	GOLD CUP.....	EA8AS	
LA4YW.....	SECOND.....	K2LFG	
K5YL.....	THIRD.....	W1OPZ	

## COMPLETE 1992 YLRL YL-OM CONTEST RESULTS

### YL PHONE

SV3AGQ.....31,968*	CT1YH.....31,785*	K8ONV/4.....17,340*
GM4YMM.....16,984*	WN1G.....14,229*	WA4SRD.....3,024*
SV4AFY.....2,910	WA4BQY.....2,100	DL2FCA.....1,512*
WA2NFY.....714*	UC3AB.....105*	KD8SC.....94.5
WZ8C.....6,063*		

### OM PHONE

W1OPZ.....651*	W1HOZ.....495*	K2LFG.....472.5*
K6RQ.....96*	HB9MX.....210*	W9LNQ.....63*
UC2BA.....45*	WD8CRJ.....37.5*	YU7SF.....24*
YU7KM.....1.5	LA1KQ.....13.5*	DL1DQY.....1.5

### YL CW

SV4AFY.....21,000*	LA4YW.....9,240*	K5YL.....9,048*
AC4IL.....6,678*	KA1JAN.....5,332.5*	K8ONV/4.....5,043
WA4SRD.....2,871	DL2FCA.....2,340*	WZ8C.....1,677*
WA2NFY.....1,462.5*	LA6ZH.....1,395*	DL1RDQ.....228

### OM CW

EA8AS.....2,556*	K2LFG.....504*	W1OPZ.....465*
W9LNQ.....264*	HB9MX.....204*	K6RQ.....198*
W8TSF.....198*	W1HOZ.....195	VE6UP.....120*
W2AAU.....50.5	YL2EC.....6	YU7LS.....5
OZ7GF.....1.5		

\*Denotes certificate winners.

NOTE: Some of you will notice a higher score in the results. That is because the power factor is now 1.5.

If any of the DX and/or North American YL clubs would like to have the schedules and rules published for your contests and certificates, please send them to me or to the editor, WA0WOF.

Helene, HB9ACO, has just begun writing a YL column and would also like to hear from you about YL contests and activities.

### TO ALL YL NETS:

It's time to update the net listings, so please send me information about your net. Include the name of the net, the frequency, day, time (UTC), the NCS, and whether or not a certificate is offered. Please do this as soon as possible so that the correct information can be listed. Send the info to: Carla Watson, WO6X, 473 Palo Verde Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94086.  
33, Carla, WO6X

## A YL EUROPEAN VACATION

by  
Kay Eyman, WA0WOF/EI7HQ

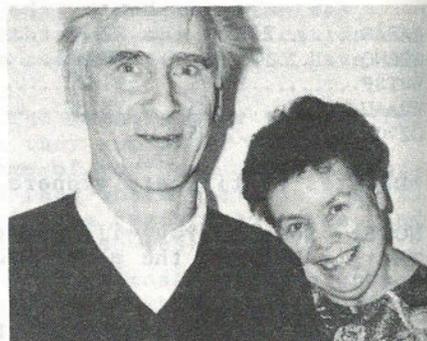
Just as soon as YLH #1 was mailed, Mike, WOXM, and I left to see a bit of Europe and to attend the 60th Annual General Meeting of the Irish Radio Transmitters Society. Some of you have actually asked for a report of the trip, so here it is!

We arrived in Paris on a Friday morning, picked up a rental car, and set out. We headed in the general direction of Switzerland, since our only firm plans at that point were to meet Kurt, HB9MX, and some of the Swiss YLs on Sunday and to fly from Paris to Dublin on the following Wednesday.

The French countryside was beautiful, and after driving through a few villages, we decided to start sampling the French pastries we'd been hearing about for so long and stopped at a small cafe. There were no pastries to point at, and no one spoke English, so we ordered the only thing we could identify on the menu--an omelette. The waitress said, "Deux?" and held up two fingers. We nodded, and said "Deux!", having added a new French word to our very limited vocabulary.

That set the pattern for our trip. The scenery was beautiful, all the food was delicious, the people we met were very friendly and helpful, and we learned a lot to help us on our next trip to Europe, which we're already anticipating.

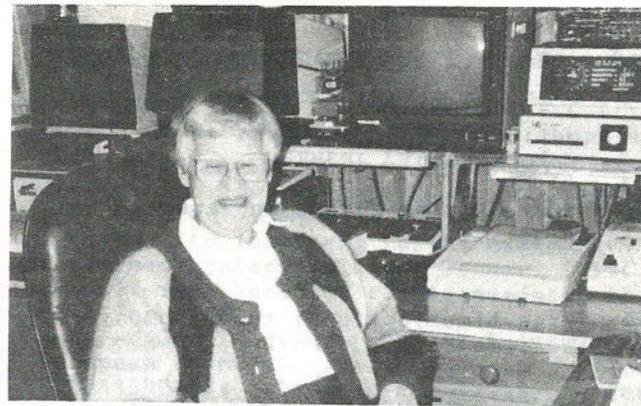
I know that many of you have talked to Kurt, HB9MX, because he has over 1300 YL contacts confirmed. I had first talked to him in 1969 when I was KR6HB on Okinawa, and after many QSOs through the years, I was very glad to meet him in person. We had a wonderful visit with him on Saturday evening, and the next morning we met again and drove over to visit Helene, HB9ACO, and Ernst, HB9QV, at their picturesque QTH in Seegraeben.



Kurt, HB9MX, and Lisel

"Hamshack" doesn't seem appropriate to describe their operating positions. The room is very well-appointed with the latest technology, and there is a magnificent view. (We KNEW we weren't in Kansas any more!)

Helene had made some delicious pastries, and we soon gathered around them and settled in for some wonderful conversation about past and future YL conventions and got caught up on news about YLs in general. She is now writing a column about YLs for the Swiss newsletter and would be glad to hear about YL activities from around the world, so please add her to your mail list. Helene is also interested in trying to promote more contest participation, and she has some good ideas, such as translating contest rules before sending them to other countries. Let her know about your group's activities.



Above, left:  
Helene, HB9ACO



Below, l to r:  
Kurt, HB9MX  
Kay, WA0WOF  
Arno, HB9AJL  
Greta, HB9ARC

Kurt then took us back to his QTH where Lisel was awaiting us with MORE delicious food! We had such a good time, visiting and looking through Kurt's extensive collection of QSLs and photos. He has worked all countries and has great stories about some of the rare ones. Then we headed for the radio and a sked with Raija, SMOHNV, whom Kurt had talked to the day before. It was so good to talk to Raija again, and soon it was time to leave for a visit

with Greta, HB9ACR, and Arno, HB9AJL, at their lovely home.

And what fun we had visiting with them! They're on packet now, and it was interesting to read all the European bulletins coming in. We got the magnifying glass out and looked at all the faces in the group photo from Hawaii in 1989 and talked about the good time there. And, of course, you guessed it! Greta had MORE delicious food ready, which we thoroughly enjoyed, along with MORE great conversation. The visit in Switzerland was short, but that alone was a great vacation!

We drove back toward Paris, with a few short stops and two longer ones in Freiburg in Germany and Strasbourg in France, (where Mike's ancestors once lived), for some sight-seeing. On April 8, we flew to Dublin and spent the next week in Ireland.

And how I do love to be in Ireland! We were made very welcome at the IRTS meeting. We saw Alan, E18EM, an old friend, who knows many YLRL members, and several of the Irish amateurs I'd met on the air. And we met lots of new friends, including Hazel, who operates at the Tipperary club station. (I even danced with one of the Ministers of Communication, and it's too bad there isn't space for that photo! I can't even remember the last time an FCC official asked me to dance, can you?) Amateur radio has brought us some of our best friends and best times, and we'll always remember this European vacation!

## Asian YL Meeting '93 in Osaka



DATE: April 3 - 5, 1993  
 PLACE: International House in Osaka  
 ORGANIZER: Kyoko Miyoshi, JR3MVF

Enjoy the cherry blossom season in Japan!

### SCHEDULE: (JST)

April 3 (Sat) 1200- : Registration  
 1300-1700: Free time (optional tea ceremony)  
 1800-2100: Welcome Party  
 April 4 (Sun) 0930-1130: YL Meeting  
 1130-1230: Lunch Time  
 1300-1700: Sightseeing (Osaka Castle, etc.)  
 1800-2100: OM-YL Banquet  
 April 5 (Mon) 0900- : Optional tour? We would like to  
 decide after receiving your idea. Please mark one on registra-  
 tion form. (These are available from Kyoko, JR3MVF; Mary,  
 WO9R, or Kay, WAOWOF)

COSTS:	Per person, per day	Amount
Registration	1,000 yen	1,000 yen
Welcome Party	2,000 yen	2,000 yen
OM-YL Banquet	8,000 yen	8,000 yen
Breakfast*	1,030 yen X 2 (Apr 4/5)	2,060 yen
Lunch*	2,060 yen (4th)	2,060 yen
Hotel Fee*	6,180 yen X 2 (Apr 3/4)	12,360 yen
Total	Per YL or OM	27,480 yen

\*Includes 3% value added tax.  
 Per the exchange rate of 130 yen/\$1.00 U.S., 27,480 yen is now  
 equivalent to \$211.38.  
 There are two forms: Form A is for registration and should be  
 received by JR3MVF by August 31, 1992. Form B is for possible  
 registration and should be returned to JR3MVF by June 30, 1992.

### CONVENTION CALENDAR

DATE:	MEETING:	CONTACT:
Jun 5-7	HamCom (TX)	Judi, N0IDR
Aug 8-9	High Cascade (OR)	Mary, W7RGD*
Aug 14-16	WIMU/Rocky Mt ARRL (UT)	Beanie, N7NJS**
Oct 2-4	ARRL - Boxboro	Anne, WB1ARU

\*Mary Winter, N7RGD, is Chairman, and writes that you should be  
 pre-registered by July 15. She's being helped by Joan, KD7YB,  
 and Patsy, KA7MCZ. Several YL activities are being planned.

\*\*Beanie says her OM is the Seminar Committee Chairman, and  
 they are planning a special hour for the YLs at 4:00 p.m. on  
 Saturday, the 15th.

## YLRC ITALIANO AWARDS EUROYL AWARD

Open to all YLs, OMs, and SWLs throughout the world.

MODES: Phone, CW, RTTY, Mixed  
 BANDS: 1.8, 3.5, 7, 14, 21, 28 MHz

The Italian Young Ladies Radio Club issues this award for  
 confirmed contacts since 1 January 1990, with YLs from at least  
 20 different European countries among those on the current ARRL  
 list for DXCC.

BASE AWARD: Contacts with at least 20 YLs, one for each  
 European country.

ENDORSEMENTS: Stickers are available for each additional 10  
 countries worked with YLs.

QSLs must be in your possession, but are not required.  
 (Please send them only at the request of the Award Manager.)  
 Log sheet with usual data, listed in the same order as the  
 above-mentioned list, must be sent to the Award Manager:  
 IK5MEQ, Adriana Parducci, Via Di Tiglio #183, 55066 S.  
 Margherita (LU), Italy.

FEES: 20 IRCs or \$13 for the award. 11 IRCs or \$6 for each  
 endorsement. Fees may also be paid on the postal current  
 account #12448551 of the Award Manager.

### FRIENDLINESS AWARD

Open to all YLs, OMs, and SWLs throughout the world.

MODES: Phone, CW, RTTY, Mixed  
 BANDS: HF (3.5, 7, 14, 21, 28 MHz)

V-U-SHF (No QSOs via repeater or on FM)

Contacts to be made with Italian or foreign YL members of  
 IYLRC; all QSL cards dated 1 January 1990 or later may be  
 counted. Ten points are needed, and each member counts one  
 point on SSB and two points on CW or RTTY.

ENDORSEMENTS: Stickers are available for each additional five  
 members, independently from band and mode specified in the  
 application for the base award (obviously the call signs of  
 these five YLs must not appear in the application for the base  
 award or for previous endorsements). A target will be avail-  
 able for contacts with at least forty different members.

QSL cards are not required. Application and log sheet with  
 usual data to be sent to the Award Manager: IK5MEQ, Adriana  
 Parducci, Via Di Tiglio #183, 55066 S. Margherita (LU), Italy.

FEES: 20 IRCs or \$13 for the base award  
 15 IRCs or \$10 for each endorsement  
 \$20 for the target

Fees may also be paid on the postal current account  
 #12448551 of the Award Manager.

One third of the sums collected every year will be donated to  
 the National Institution concerned with the struggle against  
 muscular dystrophy. Payments will be made December 1st every  
 year, and the list of all those applying for the base award or  
 for endorsement during the current year will be enclosed. (Any-  
 one who doesn't want her/his name to appear in the list must  
 specify it on the log sheet.)

# District News

## First District

Anne Manna, WB1ARU

Thankfully, I heard from a few YLs, so I know I'm not the only one around. Greetings to all of you!

I was able to check in on the Yankee Lassies Net (3.910 MHz on Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time) and talked with YLs from Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut and Massachusetts. Everyone is busy, anxiously awaiting real spring weather. We had a couple of really beautiful days during the week after Easter, but cold dreary weather returned again.

WA1EDR, Lorraine, and OM Leo, K1QPJ, are off to Marco Island, Florida, for a week of birding and relaxation in the warm sun. They have been busy all winter at 5 elderhostels. They have now participated in twenty different programs and have signed up for the 21st this summer. One of their programs this winter was at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in Green Bank, West Virginia. Since Leo is active in counting sunspots daily for AAVSO, this was especially interesting for him.

While Lorraine is heading south, a couple of our snowbirds are heading north. K1OKC, Bea, wrote me a note saying that she was indeed alive and kicking, but not doing anything special to write about. (At least I know she read my column!) She'll be back in Maine at the end of April.

I heard on the net that W4GXZ, Blanche, will be back in New Hampshire so that she can make it to the WRONE Spring Luncheon in Montpelier, Vermont, on May 2. Unfortunately, although you're reading this after it happens, I'm writing beforehand, so news from that event will have to come in the July-August issue.

W1TGY, Dot, is busy planning for the three-day bike-a-thon in Augusta. More on that later, too!

WB1ARU, Anne, headed up communications for the Good Friday Walk in Hingham, Massachusetts, again this year. With eleven other operators, some mobile on the route and some portable at the rest stops, coverage was provided for the entire 20-mile route. The Walk raises funds to help poverty-stricken people in rural Alabama and Mississippi.

Don't forget that this is the year for the ARRL District Convention at Boxboro. Plan to attend October 2, 3, and 4, and look for YLRL.

I'm looking forward to having more news for the next issue. Send it to me by June 15.

33, Anne, WB1ARU

## Second District

Miriam Lamb, AA2DX

On Saturday, April 11, 1992, SAYLARC held its semi-annual luncheon at the Hotel Thayer, West Point, New York, hosted by your correspondent. Twenty-six of us, including both members and guests, had a splendid time, either renewing old friendships or making new ones. Our guests for the day were the Officer-in-Charge of the Cadet Radio Club at the United States Military Academy, Major Mark Morgida, KE2WF, his wife Judy (the members promptly went to work on her to persuade her to seek a license), and Cadet John Gorkos, KB5HHR. John was our principal speaker, telling us of life as a cadet, in general, and the Cadet Radio Club, in particular.

Among other comments, John mentioned that although the club had a fully equipped station, they sorely needed more books such as *Now You're Talking* from the ARRL to meet the demand from cadets wishing to study for the new Technician Code-Free license. During the business meeting in the afternoon, SAYLARCs voted \$100.00 towards the purchase of these books, as a small token of our appreciation for the attendance of such great guests.

Speaking of SAYLARC, our president Carli, WB1BTJ/2, is one busy lady. In addition to her SAYLARC duties, she was recently elected to a two-year term on the Board of Directors for NoBARC, the Northern Berkshire Amateur Radio Club. She is currently in her third year as Deputy Weather Coordinator for Rensselaer County; ARES/RACES District Emergency Coordinator for Rensselaer County, and last, but not least, she is a member of Army MARS. On the "civilian" side, she is Vice-Chairman of the Taconic Valley Chapter of the New York State Federation of Home Bureau. How about that? If she does all these jobs half as well as she performs as president of SAYLARC, she's a winner, for sure!

Our congratulations to Bobbie, WB2BHS, for her upgrade to Advanced. Her OM Al, WA2UKR, got his Extra ticket at the same time. Bobbie is now working on that last hurdle.

A note from Lee, WA2YEK, says she has just gone to work for the gentleman who runs the Rochester Hamfest! (Of course, he has a private business also.) But how about that as a candidate for the all-time great job for a ham!

A very sad note from Tom, WA2OGU, the OM of Mary Kelley, KA2UCO. She has developed Alzheimer's disease and resides in a nursing home in Florida. I know Tom would appreciate hearing from any of you who knows Mary.

Trudy, K2UXW, writes she is working towards contacting 800 YLs, which should be shortly, because she already has plans to go for the 1,000 mark. She is currently attempting to drum up interest in the Grandmother's Certificate. If you're interested, contact Trudy.

Cathy, VE3GJH/VE3GGG (Girl Guides Canada) asks that you mark February 20-21, 1993, on your calendar. These are the dates for Guides on the Air (GOTA). More about this later.

I think I'm out of space, but how wonderful to have so much news. Keep it coming!

33, Miriam

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**Third District****Patsy Kline, N3ICQ**

Dayton Hamvention... was sadly missed by me, but it wasn't missed by the YL interviewed in this article. I hope that there were some CQ YLs on 147.555 simplex. Write and let me know. I attended two hamfests in the last month or two and was able to say a quick "Hi!" to Linda, N3IQF, working at the AARG Lebanon, Pennsylvania, hamfest in March.

Hamming is a strange hobby. At times I feel as if I have no other "hamnut" of the same gender on frequency to share with, and then right when all seems dark and hopeless... Well, here is the story. At the Timonium, Maryland, hamfest, I asked every woman I saw if she was licensed. Only one responded, "Yes." Yet two weeks later, it was a shock to find myself seated in a CAD software class in Reston, Virginia, next to a safety engineer, N3HFN, Tina Brady. It took us less than two breaks between lectures to realize we were RF kin. (Tina is soon to be a YLRL member. The application's in the mail.)

The central Pennsylvania area has seen a flurry of YL activity, with much interest in the low bands. A YL breakfast is being planned, at some midpoint between State College, Scranton, and Harrisburg. Let me know if you are interested in other vicinities. I've handed out over 15 YLRL applications during the last two months, and I'll attend the Tamaqua Hamfest on June 7. I'll be looking for low band and prospective low band YLs there also.

In this issue, I want to highlight a very special YL, who has risen to great heights in the ham community. Kay Craigie, WT3P (ex-KC3LM), has been Vice-Director of the Atlantic Division of ARRL since 1990. She assists Director Hugh Turnbolt, WJABC, in attending 40 to 50 hamfests and conventions per year, and she attends directors' meetings in Newington twice a year. In June, she'll be an observer at the National Conference of VECs at Gettysburg. "I was working towards it (the ARRL position) for quite a few years," she said. Her example is an inspiration to anyone who wants to nurture the amateur service and encourage good amateur practices.

Chasing DX is her delight and, of course, CW is the best way to do that. For a year, Kay was a net control on the Pennsylvania Traffic (CW) Training Net. Now because of her travel schedule, she has switched to the Wednesday EPA Phone Traffic Net at 6 p.m. If you want to meet Kay, her schedule for May is New Castle, Maryland, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, and Rochester, New York. The Craigies are also planning an Alaskan vacation very soon.

I must apologize for not giving our collective thanks to Bert Kenas, W3TNP, for her work as Third District Chairman for the past two years. Bert tells me that the Kenases went to Florida and visited with Harriet, WA3ATQ. Thanks, Bert, for the insights into the public service work that you have shared.

Please send word of your YL activities. Until next time, 147.555 CQ YL Simplex ANYFEST! L8R til L8R. 33, Patsy, N3ICQ, UR YL in Lawn - Pat.

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**Fourth District****Jensen Montambault, KC4GPZ**

Hello to all the YLs in 4-land! This comes in hopes of all good cheer (and good DX). Right now, I'm still glowing about my 16th birthday (I can drive! I can drive!), which involved not only my long-awaited driver's license, but also the use of my father's '85 Celica and a brand-new Icom IC2SAT handheld. Really, it's the cutest little rig. It fits in the palm of my hand, and, with the little rubber duck antenna disconnected, it fits easily into my purse. This 2-meter rig has brought the previously unchartered 2-meter band into my car and log book. I guess for a General class operator, I'm kind of a novice, for it was only a few weeks ago that I braved the local 2-meter repeater, and only a few days ago that I actually used the radio to untangle myself from a minor fiasco.

I've only been driving for a month or so, and am not overly familiar with our car and its little quirks. So you can imagine my utter bewilderment and the unpleasant sinking feeling in my chest as I was parked in front of a video rental store and the key refused to turn in the ignition. I tried the extra key, but to no avail. Luckily, I had the very "handy" talkie in the glove compartment, and, gulping back panic, I tuned in the Charlottesville repeater. I'd been rather mikeshy the first time I got on the repeater, but it's really remarkable how a potential personal disaster can sweep away inhibitions. I broke into a casual ragchew as soon as I could and explained my predicament. The fellows on the repeater were greatly reassuring, offering suggestions, rides, phone calls, and general support. The trouble was eventually solved by following the suggestion that I jiggle the steering wheel hard (as apparently power steering locks up). What started out as a complete mess, ended with me feeling great about the altruism of amateurs. Hams are great!

Well, that's all the news here. It seems as if the 4-land YLs are a little pen-shy this spring. Come on, gals! Drop me a note about what's going on. (I'm sure you're bound to get tired of hearing about me and my exploits!) 33 and 73, Jensen

*Jensen also enclosed the following prose poem which was given to her by a friend, saying, "I know it doesn't have much to do with the radio part of YLRL, but it has everything to do with the YL part of it!"*

**Why God Made Little Girls**

God made the world with its towering trees; majestic mountains and restless seas: Then paused and said, "It needs one more thing... someone to laugh and dance and sing: To walk in the woods and gather flowers: To commune with nature in quiet hours So God made little girls; With laughing eyes and bouncing curls; With joyful hearts and infectious smiles; Enchanting ways and feminine wiles, and when He'd completed the task He'd begun: He was pleased and proud of the job He'd done; For the world, when seen through a little girl's eyes; greatly resembles Paradise.

---Author Unknown

AB5BA, Alma, would like for any YLs traveling through Central Texas to know there is a YL net on Tuesday nights at 8:00 p.m. on 145.150 MHz. She hopes some of you will check in and talk with the group. This is a far-reaching repeater, and it covers 50+++ miles around Waco. Net controls are Doris, KA5POP, and Alma, AB5BA.

AB5BA, Alma's son Jackie, KB5QXY, has his Novice license and is working a lot on 10 meters. He is a long-haul driver and drives everywhere.

Don't forget Ham-Com in June. It's the 15th Annual Ham-Com Amateur Radio Convention, and Ham-Com '92 hosts the ARRL West Gulf Division Convention. TYLRUN and the YL Roses of Texas Amateur Radio Club will host their second YL national meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 6. There will be a breakfast, and gifts will be given. The speaker will be Vikki Gigante, KAJPVS. TYLRUN will also host the YL Hospitality Room. There will be a forum, and more gifts will be given there.

WD5EMZ, Esther, is back on the air. WB5DVA, Mary, and her OM Bill, W5TJI, journeyed to Many, Louisiana, and along with Betty, WB5ILY, and her OM Lavelle, installed antennas for Esther. It was nice hearing Esther back on the air. Sure hope she makes it a habit.

W5MWK, Joyce and OM Jim, W5MWO, will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on June 14th.

WD5FQX, Darleen's OM Joe has recovered from his surgery and Darleen has been able to go on several trips.

The YL Roses of Texas Amateur Radio Club will have their field day on the last weekend of June. They have been working on antennas and other plans to make it a big success. Please listen for them and make their day a big event.

K5BNQ, Doris, is hostess for the annual TYLRUN Birthday Party this year. The party will be September 25 and 26 in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. All YLs are invited to attend. Friday night will be the white elephant gift exchange and eye lash QSOs. Saturday morning will be the business meeting, followed by a gift exchange and lunch.

33, Joyce

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#### Convention Kit Custodians

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Dist 1-3, VE.....WA2URE, Marcella Kessler (716) 464-8885

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Hello to all. I didn't hear any DX YLs during the CW portion of the DX YL to NA YL contest. Was it lack of propagation or lack of interest? I hope it was the former.

There were over 50 licensed YLs at the DX Convention in Visalia this year. Among those YLRL members I saw were Mary Lou, NM7N; Sue, KA6SOC; Mady, KA6ZYF; Ellen, W1YL; Vi, W6CBA, and Sandy, WA6WZN. Others who were registered, but I don't recall meeting, were Maria, KB7INH; Bobi, KB7IRF; Millie, WY7K, and Mary, KE6ZH. This was my first DX Convention, and I enjoyed it very much, but I came home very tired. If any of you ever get the chance to see the slide presentation entitled "The Saving of Oleg: A USA-USSR Medical Success, Using Ham Radio, Packet, FAX, and Electronic Mail," you will hear a marvelous story about the efforts of US and USSR doctors working together to save the life of a very seriously injured vehicle accident victim in Russia. It is a very heartwarming story.

W6BDE, Esther, has plans to visit friends in Oregon and Washington during June, as well as to attend SEA-PAC.

K6DLL, Marcia and OM Ted will also be traveling in June. They will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with a trip to Hawaii.

N6CNB, Barbara, and OM Bob have been helping with communications on the yacht races and handled Navy MARS traffic during Desert Storm. They've been traveling in the U.S., as well as spending their 40th wedding anniversary on a cruise through the Panama Canal and the Caribbean.

K6BUS, Midge, was the hostess for the April YLRC-LA club meeting, with eleven YLs enjoying the good food, great weather, and the fun of visiting with each other. The next meeting will be May 9th, at the San Antonio Winery, with the June 20th potluck meeting to be held at the QTH of Irma, K6KCI.

KA6SOC, Sue, will have house guests from Sweden in May. Ben, SM5AGI, and his XYL, with whom Sue and OM Bill spent several weeks in Sweden last year, will be visiting. Sue has some sight-seeing trips planned for them, including a trip to Anacortes, Washington, to visit with Mary Lou, NM7N, and OM Bob, NM7M.

I received very little news this time. Please drop me a postcard, telling me about your amateur radio activities. After all, this is your column, and without your news, there is no column.

33, "Le"

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Remember! Send your news to your District Chairman by June 15!

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Seventh District

Norma Griffin, N7GLQ

All the news this time is from Arizona. Hope to hear from the gals up North.

Chris, N7PVL, writes that in October, with only nine days left on her CSCE, she passed the 13 wpm code test for her General license. Then on March 7th, both Chris and her OM Mark, N7KKQ, upgraded to Advanced! Congratulations to both of you. They are using a homebrew J-pole vertical on 10 meters and a long wire for the rest.

The Cactus Keys held a luncheon in Tucson at the Casa Molina restaurant on April 4th. We enjoyed visiting with Phyllis, W2GLB; Myrna, KG7JQ; Beth, KA7AKK, and her daughter Nancy from Colorado; Mel, WB7SJP; Evelyn, KA7CYR; Rosie, KC7NL, and her friend Helen; Grace, AD7S; Doris, KC7AQ; Phyllis, K7SEC; Ruby, W7JZA; Inez, WB7USZ; Karen, WAONNC; Maria, KB7INH; Carrie, KA7VYF, and her two children, and Norma, N7GLQ. Five OMs came also. Great conversations and excellent food!

Ruby, W7JZA, says Tuesday is her Net Day, as she checks into at least six nets. Ruby recently received the Century Club Certificate from QCWA. Karen, WAONNC, was XE21 in the ARRL phone contest, and both she and Maria, KB7INH, attended the DX Convention. Inez, WB7USZ, is already planning the afghan she will make for the Ft. Tuthill Hamfest 1993 as a money-making project for the Cactus Keys.

On April 26th, Rosie, KC7NL, and her OM Tom, KOTW, were part of the communications team for the Colossal Cactus Tour de Cure cycling event that was held in Tucson for the American Diabetes Association. There were 350 bike riders, and thirteen hams were stationed at rest and traffic control areas. The hams worked from 7:30 a.m. until noon. Thanks to the Tucson IBM Radio Club for organizing the communications for the charity event.

Edith, W7LIZ, has been ill most of the winter with the flu. We hope you are feeling much better.

Doris, KC7AQ, and her OM Walt, K7KYW, work many public service events. On April 25th, they were part of the communications team for a charity bike-a-thon from Tucson to Phoenix. Phyllis, K7SEC, is another active public service ham.

The Cactus Keys will be having a potluck on Saturday, June 13, at noon. The location is "cool" Lakeside. Karen, WAONNC, has graciously invited us to her cabin. Contact me or Phyllis, W2GLB, for more info.

Anyone visiting the Phoenix/Payson and Tucson areas should remember the Cactus Keys Net on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. on 147.36+ for the Phoenix/Payson gals and 7:30/7:45 p.m. on 146.88- for Tucson. We would love to talk with you!

Please send all your news to me by June 15 for inclusion in the July-August Harmonics. Remember, the September/October issue is the Directory and doesn't contain any news. 33, Norma

Eighth District

Carol Iams, W8WRJ

KD8SC, Rosemary, has had some major surgery and is now recuperating at home.

We have some more sad news to report. Dottie, W8RZN's brother passed away on March 28.

I get lots of news about KJ30, Joanne, and her OM. They are always so busy. They were working for their local PBS station, answering phones for pledge week, with the Portage Club. Then, on their way to the Zanesville Hamfest, they were talking on the radio to WD8IKC, Doris, and they told her that Larry had moved his shop from Streetsboro down to their farm. Their oldest son Jamie is still in Hawaii, thinking of going to West Point. Larry's mother passed away April 24, so, needless to say, they couldn't go to Dayton, although they had been scheduled to speak at the ARES Forum on Saturday.

N8NSX, Jack Slingerland, videotaped a few of us at the Buckeye Belle/YLRL table at the Dayton Hamvention for a television program to be shown on MI Cable TV Local Network Channel 56 in the Detroit area. (Check your local listings.) He taped WAOWOF, Kay, telling about YLRL, and Sally, N8EEG, telling about the Buckeye Belles.

Sally, N8EEG, served as president of the Buckeye Belles for the last two years. However, since the Buckeye Belles have had no one nominated for president this year, Sally and her OM Bill were good enough to set up the Buckeye Belle booth at Dayton again this year. They do such a beautiful job, too.

It was so nice to spend some time with some of the gals who stayed around to help man the booth. Even Kay, WAOWOF, found time to help us. I enjoyed talking to Myrtle, N2AKC, Anna, NT8Y, and Christine Haycock, WB2YBA. Nancy, WZ8C, told us she is the North American representative for F.I.S.T.S. of the International Morse Code Preservation Society. She was helping to man their booth at the Hamvention.

Then N4MM, who painted our lovely Buckeye Belle "Register Here" sign, stopped by. He had won a 75-meter antenna that had been donated to the DX Forum in the Buckeye Belles' name.

Needless to say, we enjoyed the Dayton Hamvention very much this year, but it seemed there were quite a few people we were used to seeing who didn't make it this year. I wonder why. We missed them.

It was somewhat of a disaster for the flea market, due to the weather being very cold, with quite a bit of rain.

So much for this time. Please send me some NEWS, gals!  
33, Carol

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Don't forget that the 6th of each month is YL Activity Day. Call "CQ YL" on the hour on any frequency ending in 88 and also check all frequencies ending in 33 on CW.  
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Marie, WBOHUC, reports that former Colorado YL, Moe Pierce, WBORTF, and her OM Bill were on 146.07/67 on March 24th while they were changing planes in Denver to return to Seattle. Moe is fine and has now upgraded to General. She now is working as a medical transcriber at the Pacific Medical Center in Seattle. Most of their hamming is done in the car because of antenna problems in their new apartment. Moe gets together with other YLs on a linked repeater. The frequencies used are 145.33 or 444.65 MHz.

At the Colorado YLs potluck luncheon in March, we had an informative talk on lightning protection for ham equipment. Bud, KOGF, and Toni, KOGVC, learned a lot after having considerable damage to their equipment. Their elevation is 6100 feet, with a ridge that is about 60 feet higher. It is in a wooded area, with their tower and VHF tower about 250 feet from their house, and there is a shelter for the antenna rotors. Their equipment was disconnected while they were away, however, the coax line was laying on the metal case of their radio. Lightning struck the vertical antenna and destroyed ham equipment, the stereo, a fuse in the wall, the telephone answering machine, etc. Since that experience, Bud has read extensively and has become quite an expert on lightning protection.

Rich, WOHEP, the OM of Elaine, WOHEM, will visit with Gintas, LY2KW, and others while on a month's trip to Russia, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, and Belarus. We are anxious to have a report about this trip when we meet in August.

Ellie, NOQCX, is a new member of YLRL, and we welcome her. She and her OM attended the Dayton Hamvention in April and had a good time. She and Kay, WAOWOF, first met on two-meters mobile in Indiana while enroute to Dayton, and then they met twice at the Hamvention while checking out all the exhibits.

Some other new YLRL members are Doris Mitchell, NOQVJ, and her daughter Karen, NOQVK, in Lincoln, Nebraska, Joanne House, NONVZ, in Topeka, Kansas, and Leanna Gordon, KB0ISD, in Augusta, Iowa. We welcome them and all other new members.

Kay, WAOWOF, had a great time at the Dayton Hamvention, talking to YLs and to members of the Irish Hour Net, which meets on 21.310 MHz at 1700Z on Sundays. She had a chance to visit with several YLRL members, including Ethel, K4LMB, who is planning a trip to Alaska; Sandi, WA6WZN, who was busy promoting the ARRL National Convention in Los Angeles on August 20-23; Kit, WA1WQM, who was busy at the HR Bookstore booth, and Doris, WD8IKC, who STAYS busy with amateur radio projects.

There have not been any other volunteers to host the 1993 YLRL Convention, so Dana, NOFYQ, is now starting to make some of the arrangements for next summer in Wichita. She's going to need all our help, and there are many jobs to be done that don't require you to be in the area. Let her know what you can do to help make this the best convention ever! 33, Lorrie

VE2JZ, Jeanne, was very happy to see spring arrive on Easter Sunday. It was long overdue. She planned to attend the West Island Flea Market and renew old acquaintances. Congratulations, Jeanne, on coming in third in the CLARA Contest on March 17.

VE4ST - Welcome back to the CLARA 20-meter net, Bubbles. It's a long time since we have heard you on the air.

VE3LQA, Pauline, along with nine participants, took part in a seven week recovery group course. The group was sponsored by the Canadian Mental Health Association. She gained quite an insight into the other participants' feelings and experiences. Pauline also took a trip to Kitchener-Cambridge. She's always looking for new fabrics and new quilt patterns.

VE7YL, Elizabeth, found time from golf to make contacts in the CLARA Contest.

VE7CBK, Bobby, we're glad you have recovered from the flu bug that lingered on for so long.

VE1VCH, Marge, is back at the home QTH after a great winter in Florida. I have ordered a new Cushcraft antenna to replace the TET that we lost in the January windstorm. Right now I can only operate mobile. We were given a great welcome home from the neighbors. There was a large "Welcome" sign in the garage, homemade bread, soup and biscuits in the frig, and a lovely plant on the table. All this made up for the lousy weather. It was nice to have VE2JZ ride along on the trip with us on 14.152 MHz in the morning. Thanks, Jeanne.

To all the girls - have a great summer!

33, Marge

## Silent Keys

We are saddened by the loss of these YLRL members:

Edna Sutton, WA3NGV  
 Vivian Bielski, WB6HVC  
 Dorothy McCutcheon, WA6PZC  
 Hope Tryce, W6BLI  
 Gloria McDaniel, W9GHO  
 Inge Tobias, PJ2JY

Our heartfelt condolences to these YLRL members:

KJ30, Joanne, whose mother-in-law died, Apr 24  
 K5BNQ, Doris, whose sister passed away  
 W8RZN, Dottie, whose brother passed away, Mar 28  
 WY4G/9, Joyce, whose OM is now a Silent Key  
 I1IEP, Gianna, whose OM is now a Silent Key  
 SV3AGQ, Sitsa, whose mother-in-law died, Feb 24



# DX YL News

Mary Ketzler, WO9R



## Introducing New DX YLs:

F1NVR, Nadine Bressier has been licensed since 1988 and thinks it is fantastic to talk to people all over the world. She likes CW especially and works all bands. She is usually on the air between 1700 - 2200 UTC. Her OM Jean is not a ham, but as she says, "It's very good because no problem to have the station." They have three children: Virginie, age 17, Gregoire, age 15, and Simon, age 10. She is sponsored by WO6X.

## News from DX Members

DF8XU, Margret, and OM Hugo have been at their cottage in the north of Germany (nicknamed "Haspel Castle") a great deal. They are building a new garage and have had to take down the antennas, so are regretfully not on the air for a few weeks. They went to the Rhein River in February to see the migration of wild geese--about 30,000 of them, on their way to Russia. At their cottage, the meisen (birds similar to our chickadees and tits) and buchfinke (colorful finches) are so tame they come to eat peanuts from her hand.

I5ICY, Clelia, has been very active chasing DX: she needs only KH1 and KH5 on SSB and has worked 291 countries on RTTY (with 281 confirmed). Her family is well, spring is on the way, and her city of Florence is already full of tourists.

G0LAN, Anne, spent Christmas in Wales. They enjoy using their caravan on weekends now to enjoy springtime flowers, new lambs, and the mild weather.

IT9ESZ, Ruth, participated in the YLRC "Elettra Marconi" contest recently and also operated the special event station of UNICEF for seven days. For each award applied for by an amateur working this station, the \$10 contribution is given to the United Nations Children's Fund. Ruth is planning to go again to the big hamfest in Friedrichshafen and meet many YLs.

LA6ZH, Ruth, spent two weeks in the USA recently and was able to visit with N2EVA, Nancy, and her OM in Watkins Glen, New York. Ruth has been very active in contests. She participated in the YL-OM Contest this year and last, the JLRS Party Contest, the YL Anniversary Party, SAC, and the CQ WW. She loved finding on the air some of the YLs she met at the YL '91 last summer in Stockholm. Ruth is QSL manager for 3Y5X, KC6EE and KC6GV, 3Y2GV, and VP8CIZ, and she finds that a most interesting job.

OH7XX, Tuulikki, and her OM are looking forward to the Asian YL Meeting in April 1993 in Osaka, Japan, after having enjoyed the YL '91 in Stockholm so much. They have had a mild winter in Finland--but still eagerly await the summer.

Tuulikki has been troubled greatly with pain in her back and head and hand that seems somehow to be related to tension in the work she does. Vacations seem to help!

SV3AGQ, Sitsa, was elected as a member of the Committee of the Radio Amateur Association of Greece, and she drives to Athens once a week for meetings and to assist with the national organization's business. She is very proud to be the first YL ever elected to this committee (along with a YL from Athens). Sitsa is also the only YL in Greece to have earned her DXCC, with 248 countries confirmed now. She has a WAS and WAZ from the U.S. and is working on her YL WAS, with just 15 states to go! She has 96 YL countries confirmed and hopes to get the remaining QSLs she is waiting for to earn the YL DXCC. You can find Sitsa on the net Mondays, at 1800 UTC, on 28.433 MHz, and often on the DX nets at 21.335 or 14.236 MHz on week-ends. She tries also to work all the YLRL contests, but she heard only a few YLs during the YL-OM Contest. (She made 333 contacts in that one).

The JA-YL hams announce a meeting for YLs from all over the world. YLs, their families, and friends are invited to enjoy eyeball QSOs and friendship at Osaka, Japan, on April 3 to 5, 1993. The main organizer of the meeting is JR3MVF, Kyoko Miyoshi, with JH3CIB, Hiroko; JH3SQN, Nozomi; JJ1CAS, Hiromi; JR6XIX, Nobuko, and JH8MWL, Keiko, assisting. They are planning a welcome party, YL meeting, OM-YL banquet and tours and sightseeing. Write to Kyoko for a registration form or to me, and I'll copy mine for you.

## Congratulations

Sitsa, SV3AGQ, is the first YL to be elected to serve on the Radio Amateur Association of Greece National Committee.

Pat Kline, N3ICQ, is the first YL to be elected president of her local club, the CPRA.

Jean Kincheloe, K6OQD, was awarded a Superior rating for her work on *YL Harmonics*, which is even better than the Excellent rating she had received the year before.

## UPGRADES

WB2BHS, Bobbie Newman	Advanced
N2PXB, Carol Ruth Kredell-Carman	General (ex-KA2BRI)
WA6UVF, Jeanie Parker	Extra
N7PVL, Chris Kesauer	Advanced

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

W5MWK, Joyce, and her OM Jim, celebrating their 40th  
N6CBN, Barbara, and her OM Bob, celebrating their 40th  
K6DLL, Marcia, and her OM Ted, celebrating their 50th

Deanna Marie Parker, KA3ZNA, is a new member from Wilmington, Delaware, who asked that a special thank you be printed for Joan, KC6IAK. Joan was the first person she talked to on the air, and Joan then sent a membership application.

# News of YLRL Members



YLRL's founder, Ethel Smith, K4LMB, was at Dayton this year, looking well and rested, in spite of the fact that she is busy full-time with amateur radio-related projects. Two of her current duties are editing *Auto-Call* and writing the QCWA column in *World Radio*.

She's overdue for a vacation now, but is looking forward to a long-awaited trip to Alaska this summer.

Left: Ethel Smith, K4LMB

## Michelangelo Virus? —————>

No, your editor's new computer didn't fall victim to the much publicized virus earlier this year, but as you see in the photo, it does seem to feel bad at times and requires a lot of attention!

If it spells your name or callsign wrong, just remember that it's doing the best it can, under trying circumstances!

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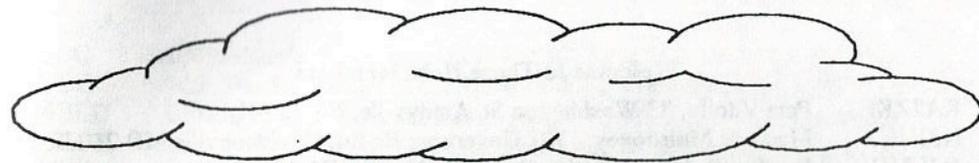


EDITOR'S NOTE: Again, I'd like to say a special note of thanks to Jean, K6OQD, who helped so much with the circulation list for the last issue. She is very much appreciated.

I need your help also. *YL Harmonics* is printed four pages per sheet of paper, so each issue is put together with either 24, 28, or 32 pages. Sometimes there is a lot of material, and some has to be left out. This time, I didn't receive very much and had to improvise and write some myself.

So, please remember to get your news to your District Chairman and to send me articles and/or photos of you and your amateur radio activities.

And, most important, try to make time to enjoy this great hobby. You're missing a lot of good times and good friends if you're not on the air.



This poem is reprinted in memory of Joy Collis, VK2EBX.

## REFLECTIONS IN THE RAIN

by

Joy Collis, VK2EBX

(Courtesy of CLARA's Newsletter, *The Clarion*)

The autumn day is dying as I listen once again  
To the misty, moisty monotone of gently falling rain;  
Remembering another time--was it so long ago?  
Faces shadowy, reflected in the flickering firelight's glow.

The bright eyes of my children toasting damper for their tea;  
Friendly old log fire inviting "Pull your chair up close to me".  
In our cosy little cabin, raindrops pelting on the roof;  
Tho' it wasn't much to look at, well at least 'twas waterproof!

When the creek, a rushing torrent, raced o'er stones and rotting logs,

And Dan and Ben our neighbours pulled each other out of bogs  
'Neath wispy clouded mountain tops, mysterious and strange,  
And our whole world was locked within that wild Victorian Range.

Boiling up the battered copper, washing nappies when the sun  
Rose in hazy mazy majesty, spring morning just begun,  
And shy blue wrens were nesting hidden deep within the scrub,  
Little swallows darting here and there above my old wash tub.

From sunlit paddock by the stream I'd see my children come  
With noisy chatter bringing home some wild bush flowers for mum.  
Not orchids, or gardenias, no roses would I see;  
But those scraggly wilting daisies meant a whole lot more to me.

When daytime toil was over, and the Tilley-lantern lit,  
Children tucked up in their beds we'd often go and sit  
Watch the moon roll up, a golden ball on ghostly mountainside,  
Shine on graceful flying phallengers, in daring aerial glide.

Life was far from easy, we'd no carpet on our floor,  
Electricity or telephone, or lock upon the door,  
A fuel stove cooked our scones and pies; the kids' clothes all  
were made  
On an ancient treadle sewing machine for which twelve pounds was  
paid.

Now--two of those dear little ones are gone for ever more,  
And we live in a larger house than we ever had before;  
But at times I think I'd rather be in our cabin in the bush,  
Where we didn't fret or worry, and we didn't fuss or rush.

We had no modern conveniences to help us on our way,  
But are we really more contented, any happier today?  
And the night is dark and gloomy as I listen once again  
To the dirgy, doleful drumming of the pounding autumn rain!

**Welcome to These New Members:**

KA2ZKE Pam Vitollo, 83 Washington St, Amityville, NY 11701  
 N3JNE Maureen Mulrooney, 1701 Governors Br Rd, Davidsonville MD 21035  
 N3LMD Heather Robinson, Rfd 1, Box 242, Airville, PA 17302  
 KA3ZNA Deanna Parker, 2109 West 7th St, Wilmington, DE 19805  
 KC4IGK Sara Marsh, 1333 Old Clubhouse Rd, Virginia Beach, VA 23456-2915  
 KC4MFT Marion Jackson, 8911 Lake Dr, New Pt Richey, FL 34654  
 KD6FCX Deborah B. Cason, 2040 Polk St #331, San Francisco, CA 94109  
 KJ6OC Carol A. Brown, P O Box 412, Mi Wuk Village, CA 95436  
 KB7OMA Linda Boyle, 3131 S.E. Anderson Rd, Gresham, OR 97080  
 WD8CWP Patricia Kulcsar, 5175 Jaycox Rd, N. Ridgeville, OH 44039  
 KB8DJR Alice Kulcsar, 5175 Jaycox Rd, N. Ridgeville, OH 44039  
 N8MQF Julie Kulcsar, 5175 Jaycox Rd, N. Ridgeville, OH 44039  
 N8NXA Barbara Siebelink, 6418 Otis Rd, Saugatuck, MI 49453  
 KJ8X Shirley Riestenberg, 7711 Pippin Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45239  
 WD4HCL/9 Bert White, 1345 Brownswood Dr, Brownsburg, IN 46112  
 KB9HJH Linda Rickerson, P O Box 47, 5N050 Ridge Ln, Wayne, IL 60184  
 W6OAE/9 Vicki Lee Hess, 1211 Wilson Dr., Eau Claire, WI 54703  
 KB0BW1 Carolyn Sorrells, 3200 Briarcliff Dr, Findlay, OH 45840  
 KBOISD Leanna R. Gordon, P O Box 173, Augusta, IA 67010  
 NONVZ Joanne House, 6110 SW 38th Terrace, Topeka, KS 66610  
 NOQCX Eleanor R. Van Winkle, 903 Paragon Dr, Boulder, CO 80303  
 NOQVJ Doris Mitchell, 3206 S. 48th St, Lincoln, NE 68506  
 NOQVK Karen Mitchell, 3206 S. 48th St, Lincoln, NE 68506  
 AL7OA Barbara Meyer, 2701 Kobuk Ct, Anchorage, AK 99508  
 GOLAN Liz Emery, 16 The Paddocks, New Haw, Surrey, England KT15 3LX  
 VU2SAK R. Sakuntala, 100 P.S.K. Nagar, Rajapalayam 626 108, Tamil, Nadu, India

**Reinstatements:**

K4RHL Ellie Hornor, 4741 Garden Pl. Trail, West Palm Beach, FL 33411  
 AJ0E Denise Hagedorn, 2318 NE 37th St, Kansas City, MO 64116

**Updates:**

W1UKR Add cor: Eurnice B. Gordon, P O Box 264, Rockwood, ME 04478  
 N1HJI Temp add: Philomena Hoar, 1208 Jackson St, Peekskill, NY 10566  
 N1JAZ New call: Was KA1OLB  
 W1ZPR Add chg: Charlotte Stafford, 211 Franklin St, Quincy, MA 02169  
 KB2GIM New call: Was CP5L  
 WA2ICE/4 Add chg: Joan Flowers, P O Box 1055, Lillian, AL 36549-1055  
 KC4OTI Rose Porter's call was never KC4OH, as listed in the Directory.  
 N4VUQ Elaine Siebert, 709 Heater Store Rd, Smithland, KY 42081  
 KA9W/4 Jo Ann Henderson, 5135 S. Robert Blake Ave, Inverness, FL 32652  
 WD5IMQ Add chg: Glenda Goodwin, P O Box 226414, Dallas, TX 75222  
 N5NYW Add chg: Nancy Eicher, P O Box 4, Elephant Butte, NM 87935  
 KF5OZ Add chg: Edith L. Guyer, 2401 E. Park Place, Moore, OK 73160  
 K5PBE Add chg: Mary Bryan, 602 Center Lane, Kingston, OK 73439  
 N5QOM Carol Jordan's zip code is 75225

N5SBC Add: Alicia's packet address is N5SBC @ N5IST.WTX.TX.USA.NA  
 N5TGZ Add: Janella Mitchell, 1401 Delabrook Ct, Seabrook, TX 77586  
 KB6BLD Add chg: Joyce E. Price, 22532 El Centro Rd, Apple Valley, CA 92307  
 KD6CSE Add: Bettejo Wood, 6392 Shade Tree Ln, Paradise, CA 95969  
 W6DEQ Add chg: Elizabeth Thomasen, 21727 National Trails Hwy, Barstow, CA 92311-9747  
 W2EEO/6 Add chg: Madeline Greenberg, 1887 Ensenada St, Lemon Grove CA 91945  
 KC6NIP Add: Linda B. Harper, 16325 Suncatcher Ln, Pioneer, CA 95666  
 K4UIZ/6 Add chg: Evalyn Shea, 31 Taylor Ave #8, E. Brunswick, NJ 08816  
 W6VDP Add chg: Mary Savage, Lakewood Gardens, 12055 Lakewood Blvd, Downey, CA 90242  
 KC6YFL Add: Pam Porteous, 8218 Wildfire Ln, Sacramento, CA 95828  
 N6ZPY Add cor: Max Bauer, P O Box 80432, San Marino, CA 91118  
 WA6ZVN Add chg: Ruthe Spreng, P O Box 2165, Lodi, CA 95241-2165  
 W6YZV Mable Fields' new zip code is 92088  
 WL7BOO Correct last name to Woodburg, not Woodbury  
 WO0I/7 Add cor: Jan Damm, 1710 S. Gilbert Rd, #2042, Mesa, AZ 85204  
 NX7V Add: Lois's packet address is BBS = WA7ARI.OR.USA.NA  
 KB8BYD Add chg: Carol J. Shank, 7533 Rose Ann Parkway, Ft Wayne, IN 46804  
 KB8IDM Add chg: Lesley Brewer, 2860 Lansing Dr, Dayton, OH 45420  
 KB8KIQ Add chg: Carolyn LePage, 4595 Boggs Rd, Zanesville, OH 43701  
 N9BAE Add chg: June Geiger, P O Box 903, Columbia City, IN 46725  
 KC7ET/9 Add chg: Evelyn Cavallo, is now in Apt #109 (not #106)  
 N9MBL New call: Was KA9YWC  
 KB0BRN Beverly Cave, P O Box 179, Lowden, IA 52255  
 KB0DQZ Add chg: Laura Bowman, 7502 E. 49th, Kansas City, MO 64129  
 KA0FKR Add chg: Charlotte Moen, 391 N. Shore Dr, Forest Lake, MN 55025  
 K0GAS Connie Schaeffer's new zip code is 81401-8932  
 WB0KHO Add chg: Marjorie Kelly, 109 S. 7th St #2, Missouri Valley, IA 51555  
 KE0PI Add chg: Vivian Anderson, 417 S. Merton St, Aberdeen, SD 57401  
 KA0QVE Name and add chg: Mary Cross, 1721 S. 1st St, Aberdeen, SD 57401  
 CE3PFZ Add chg: Dawn Mateer, Casilla 19050, Santiago 19, Chile  
 CE3PFY Add chg: Lois Mateer, Casilla 19050, Santiago 19, Chile  
 DJ7ES Call cor: Uschi Hartmann is listed incorrectly in the Directory as DF7ES  
 GI4JER Call cor: Mabel Bell is listed incorrectly in the Directory as GI4VER  
 IT9KXI Add cor: Santina Lanza, Via F Todaro, is. 206 N 5, Messina 98123 Italy  
 PA3ENL Add chg: Tonny Pels-Eringaard, Sinnigvelderstraat 327, 1382 EZ Weesp, The Netherlands  
 ZS6GH Add chg: Diane Green, P O Box 934, Pine Vonres TV1, Rep of S. Africa

**VERY IMPORTANT NOTE FROM EDITOR:**

The membership files are set up in a database file, which cannot be used for the Directory issue. I will have to retype all the information into a word processing file, using the information in the database. So please check the mailing label on your copy of YLH to make sure it is correct and send me a postcard by August 1st if there are any corrections.