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PRESIDENT'S REPORT: BY ROSE KL7FQQ

AWARDS

We have issued many awards this month. Poor Barbara has been awfully busy!

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The Apollo Birthday Award was earned by: K4ICA, VE3JPJ, KC8VRT, K9TXJ, KK4AED, K5ZMX, K4KRK, VE5ADO, KC7KPG, KL7FQQ, W4JMJ, VE7AAV, N4ZGH, WA7JT AND K3CDQ.

The Birthday Award was earned by: VE3JPJ, KC8VRT, KC7KPG, N4ZGH, N0MM4 AND K3CDQ. The Special Stars of the Southern Cross was earned by KC8VRT. The VETS 1 was earned by KC8VRT and KK4AED.

The One in a Million was earned by KC8VRT, K5ZMX, K5BOO and W3ZR. The Old Timer was earned by K9TXJ, as was the Golden Sextant Europe. Springtime was earned by KK4AED, K4KRK and VE5ADO. And, the Belt of Orion was earned by K4KRK. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL.

CONVENTION 2013

Don't forget that reservations must be made at the Marriott in Colorado Springs before May 12 in order to receive the YLISSB room rate. So, get your reservations in soon. Won't it be fun to look at the world from the top of Pike's Peak? And, won't it be fun to visit with some members that you've talked to a lot of times, but never met. Looking forward to seeing you there.

2013 Convention

Marriott
Colorado Springs

June 13 - 16

1-800-932-2151

Hosted by Russ
AEØAR

CONVENTION 2014

Still looking for someone to host the 2014 Convention. Want to try? Send an e-mail to any Board member.

PLEASE USE PHONETICS

When checking into the YLISSB, please give your call phonetically. This is especially important when rechecking into the System. Let's help our Controls, and make their job easier. Thanks.

33's, 73's and 88's,
Rose

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

NEW MEMBERS			
16798	K3PAU	PAUL	WA
16799	N3ADF	JIM	MD
16800	KD2ARU	JIM	NJ
16801	KA4OJN	JIM	KY
16802	N7MCH	WALT	WA
16803	KF5V	TOM	MS

APRIL BIRTHDAYS			
4/01	K4HCB	4/14	N5OKU
4/03	KB9IFD	4/14	PAT
4/05	BARBARA	XYL OF 8P6OP	
	XYL OF W4ZGH	4/17	VE3OWS
4/09	WD1Z	4/19	N5COO
4/10	WA9JMU	4/21	UA1ZO
4/10	KI4JQB	4/22	KN4AA
4/12	W7AJP	4/23	W4KRN
4/13	W7CB	4/27	VE2XMP
4/13	W1ABM	4/28	KØMSR
4/13	K3CDQ	4/30	KAØSHC



Maria NØTWV is a very active and much loved member of the System. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers as she is going through a very rough time now with serious back pain and surgery.

Cards and notes can be sent to:

Maria Jones PO Box 1876
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES			
4/02	KD5SXH	MILLIE & WB5NNE	JOHN
4/06	K8NQC	BILL & N8UOO	JOYCE

SILENT KEYS			
8826	WBØAEW	TOM	MO
11237	WB8VVF	JAN	MI
11675	W8GG	GREGORY	OH
12553	N7YL	JAN	CA
14113	N7COA	DAVE	WY
14794	N7HGX	MARGARET	WA
14912	WA6TGR	MARION	GA
15170	KA6PBU	CLAUDE	CA

TRY TO REMEMBER!

V. Mayree, Sidebander #1 who founded the YL System asked that out of respect for our many OM members, that we call our membership number a Sideband Number and not a YL Number. If you call it a YL number, you are not wrong and no one is going to chastise you. However, it is suggested that we all "honor her request" and refer to our membership number as a "Sideband Number." Let's all respect our founders wishes!

BITS & PIECES

K3CDQ - COMPUTER PROBLEMS:

The Dell that Judy and I use to publish the Communicator has a serious virus. We have not been successful in getting that cleaned up so this issue is being done on an old *slow* computer that does NOT have much of the info, software and programs we usually use.

The hard drive on our main computer is being wiped and repaired and we have lost a lot of info. Controls are asked to please announce to members that if they would like to receive the Communicator by email to please send us their email addresses again. This should also include first and last name.

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CORRECTIONS FOR THE VOICE:

On page 84 W9VSA was listed twice.
16596 should be W9VS
16559 should be W9VSA

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QST AND CQ MAGAZINES:

K3CDQ has thirty years of QST & CQ magazines and local hams and clubs do not want them. They are getting in the way and I plan to give them away or pitch them. Anyone want them, they are yours free but YOU must pay shipping - book rate.

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PRESIDENT'S DAY - FRIDAY APRIL 5:

Contact five (5) of the SSB'ers past or current President of Vice Presidents or Club Station K4I-CA. Stations to contact are - K4ICA and:

N1PVT, NF2J, W4JMJ, KE5ZI, N5BYF, KL7FQQ

EXPIRED LICENSES:

The following members of the YLISSB licenses have expired. The reason for non-renewal is not known. These members will be removed from the next issue of the VOICE.

1880	K1RWT	15077	KB4EIM
2076	KØYPV	15255	KQ4DR
9012	W4WFL	15545	N4UJC
13361	AA9FC	15830	K2QMS
14794	N7HGX	15851	K6AEQ

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Members are often heard asking Control if they can call someone. Asking Control or telling Control who you want to call is not necessary.

When System Control calls you and tells you that it is time for your calls. You do not have to ask Control if you can call someone. When you are called for your turn, make your calls and do not ask Control if you can call a certain station. That just takes up air time which could be important if a much needed station is on frequency or others are waiting to check in. Likewise, if you have two calls to make, go ahead and make them without asking for permission.



YLSYSTEM 15, 40, 75/80 REPORT
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First of all, I want to thank Duncan KC8UPU # 16658 for his efforts to start the 80/75 Meter ISSB phone session. I also want to thank Ron W9VSA #16568 and Gary W9VS #16596 for their endless efforts on the 15 meter System SSB session.

I have been able to check into 15M once and that was with a relay helping me out. I know others have also tried with very little success. Folks let's keep trying and give Ron and Gary some work. As of this writing 80/75M has been on for two weeks with some success Wed March 20 we had about 10 check ins. We know this will take some time to get started. One thing for sure, you will have to be patient with us as we try to find a good frequency to operate on. This past week we started to set up on 3.873 to find out that there was a net going on at the same time. We moved to 3.833 and that was somewhat better. At the beginning we were all by ourselves no QRM or QRN. Then after about 30 minutes there arrived two QSO's on 2 kc up and one 2 kc down. We were just about to close so we worked it out. We will continue to use 3.833 next week and see what happens. PLEASE bear with us.

On 40M things have been status quo. Some nights good and some nights bad. I wish that we could settle on one frequency. We find one and it seems OK then foreign broadcasts take over or another net arrives. We had been set at 7.273 for several months and then all of a sudden some Ham says we are interfering with their QSO. They claimed that they are on 7.275 all day. Yup they are they speak once in a while but if someone tries to use the frequency they say it is in use.

We moved back to 7.265 which we used last summer. The problem with that is that the RV Net starts at 2345z daily so that cuts into our time. We tried 7.268 hoping have found a place to call home. Only time will tell. My hope is we find a spot where we don't have to close when we are busy. Let's hope 7.268 is our spot.

Ok, we now have Systems running on 4 Bands please try to check in every chance you get. Thanks to all of you . You are the people that make the YLSYSTEM the great System it is. Thanks and keep up the good work

73's all
Be Safe Be Happy
K14TXP Jay

Editor's Comments: This issue of the Communicator is a bit smaller for two reasons. First of all, we did not receive much in the line of photos or info from members. We sure would appreciate more input from you.

Secondly, as already mentioned, not having our regular computer with the files and data we refer to has set up back a bit. Hopefully, next month we will be back on track.

Many thanks, Judy and Richard

With less than three months remaining before we all get together at Colorado Springs, Colorado for our annual YL System Convention, it's time to start thinking about items to either bring, or perhaps send, to the Convention site.

Each year, at convention, we have what is known as the Boutique. Neat items that you have lying around the home, or have perhaps made by hand, are most welcome.

Throughout the Convention, those items are displayed on a table, and are well priced to sell. Our members buy whichever items make them happy, and by Saturday evening, when the Banquet is in full swing, there are usually left over goodies remaining on the table.

Following the Banquet and Awards ceremony, we auction off those items until they are all gone to happy members, and the Auction itself is usually a boisterous event. So, if you bring items to sell, or not, be sure to bring just a little bit of money so that you can participate in this year's Auction! All monies raised at the Boutique and the Auction are donated to the YL System Scholarship Fund, and this is one reason we are able to continue to provide Scholarships each year.

So, come on out and attend the Convention and the Banquet, and once again, listen to Auctioneer Kevin do his jibber jabber as the bidding begins!

73, Kevin KN4AA



KN4AA
Kevin



Sally KK4YL with beautiful flowers and a birthday cake...



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SPOTLIGHT ON: KØUB Bill Bosch Sidebander 14817 TFO 423

I grew up in Dunn Center ND and graduated from High School 1952. Enlisted in the Air Force in November 1952 and took my basic training at Parks Air Force Base in CA. Was sent to Francis C. Warren AFB in Cheyenne WY for school in Basic Communications, Telephone and Lineman. Then to Japan at Haneda AFB at Tokyo International Airport, 1953 to 1955. Transferred to Hill AFB in Utah, and while there was TDY to the Azores, and Iceland. Honorably discharged in 1956.

Met Irene and we were married in Nov 27th 1956. in Dickinson ND . We had five children. Debora KC0ADI ,David, Renee, Raymond, and Paula KC0FKL. David and Raymond are deceased. Irene worked as a LPN, and was a stay at home Mom. I worked with my Family in the Retail Lumber Business, and drove Semi for 35 yrs. Retired in 1994.

Irene and I were licensed as novices in 1977. Irene later got her General. And I got my Extra. I got interested in the YL System when I was driving a truck. And have enjoyed it since. We have made some of the Conventions and have enjoyed them. The last five years Irene and I have spent our winters in Yuma, AZ.

HF rigs at home are TS430 Kenwood and a Yaesu Mark-V FT1000MP Field. Antennas are G5RV and Force 12 beam. Kenwood TS60 for six meters and a 6 element beam. On 2 meters I use a Yaesu FT 736 for SSB and CW. Vertical and Horizontal beams for 2 meters. Rigs in our Suburban are Kenwood TS 50 and Hustler antenna. Pickup, Kenwood TS 50 and a Band Hopper antenna., I have enjoyed my time on the YL System and other groups.
HHH 497, Fists 4623, 10/10 34900, OMISS 3085, Geratol 1963, 3905 CC 160-41, 75- 1287 and 40-1011, SKCC 98 QCWA 31666. Also, I have worked WAS, DXCC, and VUCC 768



Bill and Irene are the couple to the upper left.