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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINAIRE AWARD

I THANK ALL THE MEMBERS WHO SUBMITTED NOMINATIONS FOR "AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINAIRE AWARD". IF YOU HAVE NOT SENT IN YOUR MEMBER NOMINATION, YOU STILL HAVE A FEW DAYS TO GET IT SENT TO

BOBBIEX2000@HOTMAIL.COM. I EXPLAINED THE CRITERIA FOR THIS AWARD LAST MONTH IN THE COMMUNICATOR. REVIEW IN THE COMMUNICATOR FOR NOVEMBER ON WEBSITE.

AMBASSADOR CORP

THE AMBASSADOR CORP WAS ESTABLISHED AT 2015 CONVENTION. PLEASE REVIEW THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS WONDERFUL AWARD. IF YOU HAVE NOT SENT YOUR NOMINATION YET, PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO

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CONVENTION 2018

OUR 2018 CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN LANCASTER, PA., WITH LARRY AB3TY AND HIS LOVELY WIFE ANNE AS OUR HOSTS. THERE IS INFORMATION ON THE WEBSITE AS WELL AS THE REGISTRATION FORM AND INFORMATION ABOUT THE HOTEL. CHECK IT OUT AT WWW.YLSYSTEM.ORG.

CONVENTION 2019

THE 2019 CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN FAIRBANKS, ALASKA AND HOSTED BY ROSE, KL7FQQ. MORE INFORMATION IN NEXT YEAR.

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NEW COORDINATORS

IT'S BEEN A BUSY MONTH ON THE SYSTEM. OUR FORMER AWARD COORDINATOR RANDY, K4KRK, HAS STEPPED DOWN DUE TO MEDICAL PROBLEMS. LYNN NOPMQ/ ELSIE NOESJ, HAVE ASSUMED THE POSITION OF "AWARD COORDINATOR" AND "TFO AWARD" COORDINATOR.

LYNN/ELSIE STEPPED DOWN FROM THE 2ND PERIOD COORDINATOR POSITION. RICH ADONP HAS ASSUMED THE POSITION OF 2ND PERIOD COORDINATOR.

STEVE K4PHZ HAS ASSUMED THE POSITION OF "PUBLIC RELATION CHAIRMAN."

LARRY AB3TY HAS ASSUMED THE POSITION OF "DATIME COORDINATOR".

PLEASE THANK ALL OF OUR MEMBERS WHO HAVE TAKEN ON THESE POSITIONS AND WISH THEM WELL IN THEIR NEW ENDEAVOR.

JUDY KC7KPG HAS PASSED HER WISDOM AND POSITIONS ON TO OUR NEW COORDINATORS. JUDY FELT IT WAS TIME FOR A NEW GENERATION TO TAKE THE REINS TO CONTINUE THE SYSTEM AND MAKE IT BETTER. WE WISH JUDY WELL, AND THANK HER FOR THE MANY YEARS OF TALENT AND LOVE SHE GAVE TO ALL OUR MEMBERS.

ATTENTION TFO HOLDERS

THE YEAR IS ALMOST UP. IF YOU HAVE NOT VOTED FOR TFO OF THE YEAR AS YET, PLEASE TAKE A MOMENT TO SEND YOUR VOTE TO ELSIE NOESJ AT JANES.ELSIE@YAHOO.COM. PLEASE SEND AS "TFO OF YEAR" VOTE AND MEMBERS CALL AND NAME.

SPECIAL DAY IN DECEMBER

OUR SPECIAL DAY IS DECEMBER 6TH- TUESDAY- "TEAM SANTA AWARD"- FEE \$5.00

CONTACT FIVE (5) YLISSB TEAMS. TEAMS ARE LISTED IN THE "VOICE". "K4ICA" WILL COUNT AS ONE (1) CONTACT. GOOD LUCK TO ALL.

THE DECEMBER SPECIAL DAY WILL BE THE LAST" SPECIAL DAY" AWARD TILL PROPAGATION IMPROVES.

HOLIDAY TRAVEL

SOME OF OUR CONTROLS WILL BE TRAVELING DURNING THE HOLIDAYS. IF YOU SEE A NEED FOR HELP PLEASE OFFER YOUR ASSISTANCE.

THANK YOU ALL AND HAVE A PEACEFUL HOLIDAY FILLED WITH JOY,

BOBBIE K4ZGH

YL SYSTEM PRESIDENT 73, 33, 88

I JUST WANT TO REMIND EVERYONE TO SEND THE TFO VOTE TO ME MY E-MAIL ADDRESS IS JANES.ELSIE@YAHOO.COM

THANK YOU ELSIE JANES NOESJ

THE FOLLOWING YL HAMS WERE NOTED AS SILENT KEYS IN DECEMBER'S QST MAGAZINE:

JOHN N. THOMAS - K1VW YL#8197

HARRY K. MCLEMORE - KD4AK YL#10016

DAVID G. WEAVER - KN4BN YL#9851

JOHN K. HEINBUCH - W8MO YL#5153

JIM PANDZIK - KE9PK

CONDOLENCE CHAIR



NEW MEMBERS

- 17356 - KG5SER - PAUL IN MISSISSIPPI
- 17355 - WA2GSL - ED IN NEW YORK
- 17354 - KG5RXE - TOM IN TEXAS
- 17353 - AK2G - THOMAS IN NEW YORK
- 17352 - KN4AOX - BOB IN FLORIDA



ANNIVERSARIES

- 12/01 W7ARZ BILL AND JUDY
- 12/01 AA4MR MARY AND PETER
- 12/06 KOMSR VERN AND BARBARA
- 12/07 KD4ZBP/KE4VRW CLIFF AND VIRGINIA
- 12/10 KK4FXJ JEFF AND VICKI
- 12/13 AG5DT MARK AND AIMEE
- 12/15 K4TFJ/K4NOY TIM AND MICHELL
- 12/16 KG5SER PAUL AND SUE
- 12/20 W5BUB/W5LJP BUB AND LINDA
- 12/29 KDOUSN BOB AND ROBIN
- 12/23 N6OUP GERRY AND XYL
- 12/27 W4CT/W4YL BEN AND SUSAN
- 12/27 KOBGS BOBBY AND XYL
- 12/27 N3FMO HARRY AND PATRICIA
- 12/28 NH7AR DON AND LINDA
- 12/29 KE5AHE CHARLIE AND XYL
- 12/29 KDOUSN BOB AND ROBIN
- 12/31 NL7X DUANE AND JUNE



BIRTHDAYS

12/01 KD2Q	12/15 KX4WB	12/25 AC4NC
12/01 W3GOE	12/15 WX4Q	12/25 K9TXJ
12/02 W9IFW	12/15 K7MGR	12/25 KE5AJI
12/03 WA2AFV	12/17 AC4TM	12/25 K9ZG
12/03 W6NWF	12/17 KD2EZA	12/25 KIOJG
12/05 KDOWGB	12/17 ADONP	12/26 KBOMYP
12/05 KB1CSI	12/18 W3AVJ	12/27 WD9AYR
12/06 WA4DXP	12/18 N3ADF	12/27 K1RED
12/07 KD4ZBP	12/19 N6LBR	12/27 KC7MYN
12/07 N8MRC	12/20 K9UWJ	12/27 W8WSL
12/08 W5VTM	12/20 ADOFH	12/28 KA8ULT
12/08 K8FUN	12/20 NO5F	12/28 KD8UUG
12/08 KD8ASE	12/20 KC8IKW	12/29 WA9YZK
12/08 KZ7I	12/22 NOQAU	12/29 VY1MAB
12/09 NV4Z	12/22 W4AVY	12/29 W4JMJ
12/10 ON5NT	12/23 N3MQO	12/30 KBOYYO
12/10 KD8SPJ	12/23 W3ZR	12/30 KB5LYR
12/10 W5TXJ	12/23 KK4DWC	12/31 ACOKV
12/11 N7MCH	12/23 K8EEE	12/31 K6HP
12/11 KB7MXT	12/24 VE3JPJ	
12/12 W5HNI	12/24 W5BUB	
12/12 N8ADB	12/24 KD8WSL	
12/13 K1DLM	12/24 NE0DB	
12/14 KBOMAI	12/25 JA1CG	



HI NANCY,

I AM N7HRO PRESENTLY IN HOT SPRINGS, S.D. #13857 TFO 531 I THINK. I DON'T KNOW IF I MENTIONED TO ANYONE ON THE SYSTEM THAT I GOT MARRIED FEB 2017 AT OUR HOME. IN MARCH I PASSED OUT FALLING DOWN THE FLIGHT OF STAIRS FROM THE LOFT. TURNS OUT I HAD BLOOD CLOTS ANKLES TO LUNGS PROBABLY FROM AN IVC FILTER LEFT IN FROM 2012 WHEN I FELL WITH 30' OF TOWER IN MY YARD. I SPENT 4 WEEKS ON DIALYSIS AND BY THE GRACE OF OUR LORD I WAS REMOVED FROM IT. IN JUNE MY WIFE AND I WENT ON AN AK CRUISE ENDING IN FAIRBANKS. WE LIKED IT SO MUCH THAT I WENT UP IN OCT TO LOOK AT PROPERTIES. I SIGNED ON ONE IN SALCHA, AK. WE FIGURE IT WILL TAKE A COUPLE YEARS TO MOVE. WE SHOULD BE MOVED BY 2019 SO I AM HOPING TO MAKE THE CONVENTION. I AM ACTIVE WITH CAP THE AIR FORCE AUX. SEARCH AND RESCUE. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO GETTING BACK TO FLYING BY THE TIME WE GET MOVED. I WILL BE WORKING WITH CAP IN S.D. WITH THE COMMUNICATION GROUP UNTIL WE GET MOVED. I AM HOPING TO GET MY KT-34 CLEANED AND PUT UP ON THE TOWER SOON. I AM ONLY RUNNING A SLOPER RIGHT NOW. THAT WAS GREAT NEWS ABOUT NV4Z. I HAVE BEEN ASKING ABOUT HER WHEN I HAVE CHECKED INTO THE SYSTEM.

HERE ARE A COUPLE PICTURES FOR YOU.

73,

DENNIS CORNELL

N7HRO@ARRL.NET



AWARDS

WE HAVE TWO NEW TFO'S THIS MONTH

WQ4W BILL #568

N9OV DAVE #569

CONGRATULATIONS TO BOTH OF YOU.

LOUISIANA PURCHASE AWARD TO VE3JPJ

HALLOWEEN AWARD TO VE3JPJ

MOONBEAM WARRIER AWARD VE3JPJ

CONGRATULATIONS TO STEPHEN ON RECEIVING ALL THREE AWARDS.

REMEMBER WE HAVE A NEW AWARDS CHAIRPERSONS

ALL AWARD LOGS NEED TO BE SENT TO:

ELSIE M. JANES OR LYNN D. JANES

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A BIG THANK YOU TO RANDY FOR HIS TIME AS OUR AWARDS MANAGER

HISTORY: THE HANUKKAH STORY

FOUND AT [HTTPS://REFORMJUDAISM.ORG/](https://reformjudaism.org/)

UNLIKE MANY JEWISH HOLIDAYS, HANUKKAH (ALSO KNOWN AS THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS) IS NOT MENTIONED IN THE BIBLE. THE HISTORICAL EVENTS UPON WHICH THE CELEBRATION IS BASED ARE RECORDED IN MACCABEES I AND II, TWO BOOKS CONTAINED WITHIN A LATER COLLECTION OF WRITINGS KNOWN AS THE APOCRYPHA. ALTHOUGH HANUKKAH IS CONSIDERED A “MINOR” JEWISH FESTIVAL, TODAY IT RANKS—ALONG WITH PASSOVER AND PURIM—AS ONE OF THE MOST BELOVED JEWISH FAMILY HOLIDAYS.

IN THE YEAR 168 B.C.E., THE SYRIAN TYRANT ANTIOCHUS EPIPHANES SENT HIS SOLDIERS TO JERUSALEM. THE SYRIANS DESECRATED THE TEMPLE, THE HOLIEST PLACE FOR JEWS AT THAT TIME. ANTIOCHUS ALSO ABOLISHED JUDAISM, OUTLAWING THE OBSERVANCE OF SHABBAT AND THE FESTIVALS, AS WELL AS CIRCUMCISION. ALTARS AND IDOLS WERE SET UP FOR THE WORSHIP OF GREEK GODS AND HE OFFERED JEWS TWO OPTIONS: CONVERSION OR DEATH.

ON THE 25TH DAY OF THE HEBREW MONTH OF KISLEV IN 168 B.C.E., THE TEMPLE WAS RENAMED FOR THE GREEK GOD ZEUS. A RESISTANCE MOVEMENT—LED BY A PRIESTLY FAMILY KNOWN AS THE HASMONEANS, OR MACCABEES—DEVELOPED AGAINST THE CRUELTY OF ANTIOCHUS. THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY WAS MATTATHIAS, AN ELDERLY MAN. HIS SON, JUDAH, BECAME THE CHIEF STRATEGIST AND MILITARY LEADER OF THE RESISTANCE. THOUGH OUTNUMBERED, JUDAH MACCABEE AND HIS FIGHTERS MIRACULOUSLY WON TWO MAJOR BATTLES, ROUTING THE SYRIANS DECISIVELY.

ALTHOUGH HISTORIANS DEBATE THE CAUSES AND OUTCOMES OF THE WAR IN WHICH JUDAH MACCABEE AND HIS FOLLOWERS DEFEATED THE SYRIAN ARMIES OF ANTIOCHUS, THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT HANUKKAH EVOKES STIRRING IMAGES OF JEWISH VALOR AGAINST OVERWHELMING ODDS. OTHER THEMES ROOTED IN THE OBSERVANCE OF THE HOLIDAY INCLUDE THE REFUSAL TO SUBMIT TO THE RELIGIOUS DEMANDS OF AN EMPIRE PRACTICING IDOLATRY, THE STRUGGLE AGAINST TOTAL ASSIMILATION INTO HELLENISTIC CULTURE AND LOSS OF JEWISH IDENTITY, AND THE FIGHT FOR JEWISH POLITICAL AUTONOMY AND SELF-DETERMINATION.

HANUKKAH, WHICH MEANS “DEDICATION,” IS THE FESTIVAL THAT COMMEMORATES THE PURIFICATION AND REDEDICATION OF THE TEMPLE FOLLOWING THE DEFILEMENT CAUSED BY THE GREEKS DURING THEIR OCCUPATION OF THAT HOLY PLACE. TODAY, THE HOLIDAY REMINDS JEWS TO REDEDICATE THEMSELVES TO STAND AGAINST FORCES THAT WOULD DESTROY JUDAISM AND TO KEEP ALIVE THE FLAME OF JEWISH RELIGION, CULTURE, AND PEOPLEHOOD SO THAT IT MAY BE PASSED ON TO THE NEXT GENERATION.

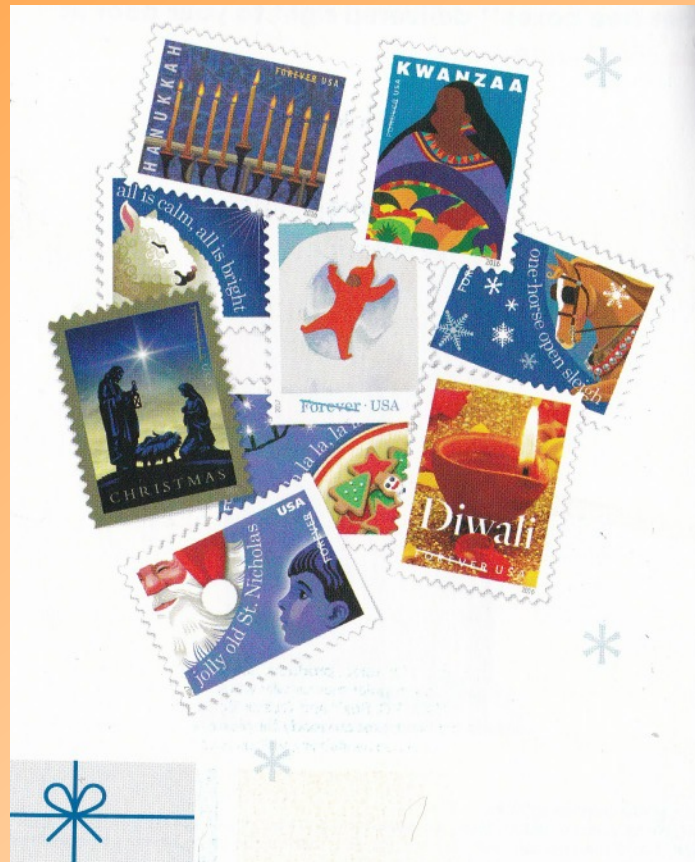
ORIGINALLY, THE EIGHT-DAY HOLIDAY WAS INTENDED TO PARALLEL THE EIGHT-DAY FESTIVAL OF SUKKOT. THE BOOKS OF THE MACCABEES MADE NO MENTION OF THE LEGEND CONCERNING A SMALL JAR OF OIL THAT UNEXPECTEDLY LASTED FOR EIGHT DAYS. ONLY CENTURIES AFTER THE MACCABEES’ DEFEAT OF THE SYRIANS DID THE STORY OF THE JAR OF OIL—WHICH HAS COME TO BE A PART OF HANUKKAH—APPEAR IN THE TALMUD.

ACCORDING TO THE LEGEND, WHEN THE MACCABEES ENTERED THE TEMPLE AND BEGAN TO RECLAIM IT FROM THE GREEKS, THEY IMMEDIATELY RELIT THE NER TAMID (ETERNAL LIGHT), WHICH BURNED CONSTANTLY IN THE TEMPLE AND HAS A PARALLEL IN OUR SYNAGOGUES TO THIS DAY. IN THE TEMPLE, THEY FOUND A SINGLE JAR OF OIL, WHICH WAS SUFFICIENT FOR ONLY ONE DAY. THE MESSENGER WHO WAS SENT TO SECURE ADDITIONAL OIL TOOK EIGHT DAYS TO COMPLETE HIS MISSION, AND MIRACULOUSLY, THE SINGLE JAR OF OIL CONTINUED TO BURN UNTIL HIS RETURN. THE RABBIS OF THE TALMUD ATTRIBUTED THE EIGHT DAYS OF HANUKKAH TO THE MIRACLE OF THIS SINGLE JAR OF OIL.

ALTHOUGH THE PRACTICE OF LIGHTING THE MENORAH WAS COMMON THROUGHOUT MUCH OF THE 19TH CENTURY, NORTH AMERICAN JEWS TENDED TO NEGLECT MOST OF THE OTHER TRADITIONS AND PRACTICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE HOLIDAY. BY THE 1920s, HOWEVER, JEWS INCREASINGLY ADDED GIFT-GIVING TO THEIR HANUKKAH CELEBRATIONS, PROMPTING CHRISTIANS TO REFER TO HANUKKAH AS THE “JEWISH CHRISTMAS.”



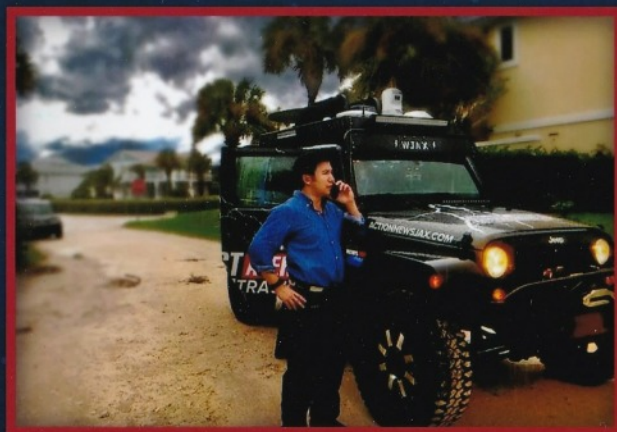
HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL OUR YL SYSTEM MEMBERS



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IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE PLEASE
SEND TO NANCYYOSHIDA@LIVE.COM

*Happy
Holidays*



Glen, Nancy, and Mike '17

**FROM OUR HOUSE TO YOURS GLEN,
MICHAEL AND I WISH YOU ALL JOY AND
PEACE IN THIS HOLIDAY SEASON AND
BLESSING IN THE NEW YEAR.**

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