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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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We ran into some snags with the new YLISSB Web Page, so getting it in operation was delayed. We will let you know when it is ready to check out.

CONVENTION 2019

As I told you last month, **BOOK YOUR ROOM NOW!** The hotel has given us a fantastic rate of \$125.00 per night, plus tax, which is about 50% off the going rate for this time of year. This rate is only valid for stays from June 5 through 8. If you wish to come earlier or stay later, they have given us their Government rate, which is \$154.00, plus tax, per day. The government rate may only be available for a limited time, so if you are thinking that you might come to the Convention, and there is a possibility you might want to come earlier or stay later, now is the time to book to get that rate. They do charge the first night rent as a deposit for any reservation, but it is fully refundable up to 48 hours before check in.

You can book online at reservations@pikeslodge.com using the code, HAM19. Or, you can call Mandi at 907-374-7170, Monday through Friday.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Communicator, you will find additional information about some of the fantastic tours that are planned for Convention 2019.

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Memorial Call

YL System

President's Report (Cont.)

I urge you to start saving your pennies so you can attend this fun-filled event in Fairbanks, Alaska. I hope to see you there.

ASSISTANT INFORMATION OFFICER

Bob, NC4RP, is doing an excellent job as our Information Officer as well as our Net Logger Coordinator. The information he is gathering is so important to the System, that we think it would be a great idea if he had an Assistant. So, is anyone interested in acting as an Assistant to Bob? The information officer is responsible for maintaining a master membership database. Bob also keeps the Net Logger profile updated and available. If you are interested, please contact me at kl7fqq@yahoo.com

HELP WANTED

Once the new Web Site goes large, we will need to update our Policy and Procedures Manual. Anyone want to help with this exciting project? Contact me at the above e-mail address.

MONTHLY AWARDS

October is our beautiful Halloween Award. From October 1 through October 31, contact 31 members with a membership number ending with either a number 3 or a number 0, and contact 6 mobile members in at least 3 different States or Provinces to qualify for this stunning award.

73's Rose, KL7FQQ

Awards and TFOs

Congratulations to Steven Bamber VE3JPJ who received the Moonbeam Weekend Warrior 2018, the Summer 2018, and the Independence 2018 Awards! Sounds like it's been a busy summer!

Convention 2019 Tours

Friday, June 7. (Cost \$35.00 per person)

We will board the bus for a 20-minute ride to North Pole, Alaska. You'll find candy canes painted on city streets and the Santa Claus House, a frontier general store and post office turned holiday shop. The postal tradition lives on—official Letters from Santa are postmarked from the North Pole and stamped with an official Santa seal. The store includes live reindeer, a coffee shop, holiday gift items, the world's largest Santa statue and Santa himself.



After spending some time at the Santa Claus House, we'll make a quick stop at the famous Pagoda Restaurant in North Pole for lunch, which serves delicious Chinese food.



Back on the bus to return to the hotel for our afternoon workshop.

Friday afternoon, June 7 (cost \$70.00 per person)

Following the workshop, we will once again board the bus for a short hop to Pioneer Park. We will see the Pioneer Museum with dioramas of early gold mines: prospectors gold panning, a prospector's shaft, a sluicing operation & a drift mine. Watch the 45 minute "The Big Stampede" show narrated by Ruben Gaines, featuring gold rush murals by Rusty Heurlin.

Convention 2019 Tours (Cont.)

Visit the historic Kitty Hensley House, and join us for a true Alaskan dining experience at the famous Alaska Salmon Bake. Grilled salmon cooked over an open fire. Carved beef & beer-battered cod straight from Alaska's icy waters cooked to perfection. Dinner served nightly 5-9pm.



After dinner, we will make our way to the Palace Theater, recognized by the Alaska Visitor's Association, and thousands of satisfied patrons every summer, as "The Number One Show Throughout Alaska and Canada". The Palace Theatre's *GOLDEN HEART REVIEW* is a hilarious musical comedy that will leave you laughing, and a bit wiser about life in the last frontier.

Through songs and stories, the polished, professional cast gives you the historical highlights of Fairbanks, also known as "The Golden Heart City", and answers a few commonly asked questions about our town...such as why would anyone want to live here? Starts at 8:15 PM.



Saturday, June 8

General meeting in the morning, lunch at the hotel, Board meeting in the afternoon, followed by the banquet. A very busy day.

Convention 2019 Tours (Cont.)

Sunday, June 9

Our Farewell breakfast will be followed by a bocce ball tournament, for those that are not leaving immediately. If you have never played, this is your golden opportunity!



NOTICE

After March 31, 2019, the Communicator will be available for paid-up members only. If your dues are delinquent, it will no longer be sent to you.

Silent Keys

The following YL ISSB members have recently been noted as Silent Keys...

Robert W. Maichle - K7SN - YLISSB: 10719 Previous: KC7GRN

John S. Vander Heide Jr. - W8VH - YLISSB: 9461 Previous: W8UH

New Members

We welcome the following new YLISSB System members...

17491 - W7HTA - Henry in Washington

17490 - N1JIE - John in Massachusetts

17489 - WW9H - Jim in Wisconsin

17488 - K9JTV - Jeff in Indiana

17487 - K1LOK - Frank in Utah

17486 - KB1YDE - Corby in New Mexico

17485 - W4WCD - Walt in Florida

17484 - N7UWD - Dennis in California

17483 - KC2CZK - Rich in New York

17482 - KE0NXW - Michaela in Minnesota

17481 - KE0OOG - Tanda in Minnesota

17480 - K7MOJ - Lu in Oregon

17479 - KI5AAI - Joe in Texas

17478 - KG5IFY - Jorge in Texas

17477 - K8AGC - Debbie in West Virginia

17476 - PA2TMS - Tom in the Netherlands

17475 - W4WTK - David in Tennessee

New Members (Cont.)

- 17474 - N3QXX - Chris in Maryland
- 17473 - K7DIP - Bert in Arizona
- 17472 - WC7F - Jerry in Idaho
- 17471 - WX1FLY - Jerry in California
- 17470 - W4WYZ - Donald in North Carolina

October Anniversaries

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| K8JGG John and Carol | KC5EVR Richard and Charlotte |
| KM4RDX Larry and Louise | K0LU Leon and Cindy |
| K4JZQ LARRY AND XYL | KE9PK Jim and Janet |
| WB8CCK Don and Donna | W9VSA Ron and XYL |
| KJ4DCK Sharen and K4HLE
Harvey | K5LLR Skip and XYL |
| KD0PBZ Andrew and Bethany | K9VFS Dave and XYL |
| N2EKO Fred and Luly | K0UB Bill and Irene |
| KA4WGW JC and Sarah | KJ4NVF TC and Beverly |
| N0AAH Stephen and Barbara | KE6LL Rick and Ruth |
| W4OKT Henry and XYL | K0MAF Jack and Linda |
| | K7MO Lu and Ken |

October Birthdays

K3UMV	K7HK	WM2W
K3PAU	KA6VPZ	K5HYD
WK7A	NL7X	Peggy (XYL of K7ZNO)
N0NJS	KD8VOX	AB4DU
KK1TLS	KD5LWU	K7CRR
K5SSL	Julie (XYL of N5OKU)	KE5ZVQ
KE7JBK	KD0MEO	K4LCA
AG5GP	Gracie (XYL OF	WA0BJY
WD7WW	KB9OC)	KD0PDW
K9VFS	KF5GTX	KE6LL
N4LJK	K1IEB	W9DLK
NV5F	N7HRO	WD4ESX
KG5GXF	N4ODI	N0GNR
KC1BEP	WD4RBX	KE7MP
KB7ITR	KE5GBC	W0KOA
KC0DAS	KD0WYO	K3ILA
AC9DK	K1TXU	W5BQO
W2JFI	W7QHZ	K5KEY
K4PIO	K5WZS	KK4KIN
KQ6LU	WD8ELH	KM4IQB
Jeanie (XYL of	KC0YHU	KT4MA
W8OPA)	W7BBA	W4SFR
KW4NFL	WA0EOP	K4GFW
VE2KRM	DL5MC	NT7J
N8CSR	WM2W	KB5CSQ

Saving the Day

Note: The YL System does not accept any responsibility for this story. However, it has been almost dependably reported to us that the following conversation was heard on 14.332 one Wednesday morning.

“This is Kilo Charley 7 Victor Sierra Charlie, my name is John, I’m located in Oregon, and this is the YL System. I am now taking check ins. Please give your call phonetically and state your name.”

“JOKE, Mobile”

“Did you say, JOKE, like in joke?”

“Well, yes, but this is no joke. I’m dead serious. I have a problem.”

“I think I heard of you and your problems. What’s going on this time?”

“My name is Jake and I’m Marine mobile in Chesapeake Bay. I rented a boat so I could catch some fish. I think I hooked onto a huge Striped Bass, it must be 60 pounds at least. And, the sucker swam around the motor on my boat, and got the line all tangled in the prop. I’m dead-in-the-water, and I still have that fish taunting me. And, there are dark clouds on the horizon, I think a storm is coming. Can you help?”

“Well, Jake, if this isn’t a joke, can you tell me where in Chesapeake Bay you are?”

“I am pretty close to Delmarva Peninsula, and I’m in a red boat.”

“I think I know just the person that can help you. Fortunately, John, KC2ATK just checked in, and he’s also Marine mobile on the Chesapeake. If anyone can help you, it is John. He has years of experience on the Bay, plus he is an expert with Striped Bass. Are you there, John?”

“Yes, John, I’m here, what can I help you with?”

“I have Jake, JOKE on, and he says he’s out in the Chesapeake Bay near Delmarva Peninsula in a small boat, with a big old striped bass tangled around his prop. Any suggestions?”

Saving the Day (Cont.)

“Gosh, I’m probably only about a half mile from where he is, so I’ll swing over and see if I can help. At least, I can probably rescue the fish. Did he tell you what kind of boat he has?”

“Thank you, John, he said he was in a red boat. And Jake, Never fear. Rescue is on the way. 73’s and please check in again. But, next time, please check in with a different controller, I don’t like problems.”

There you have another daring rescue provided by members of the YL System. Of course, we have no update as to the effectiveness of the rescue, or the condition of Jake, the fish or John. But, the YL System stands ready to aid one and all in their darkest hour.

A Real-Life Chance to Save the Day

George, AA4GT forwarded this request to the YLISSB System:

“If folks want to help with the problems of Haiti, and have tower parts they’d like to donate, they can use me as a shipping point. The first thing is that they should contact me, either on email (which is better because of my hearing) or on my home phone, which is (717) 626-8794. I really need to talk to folks before they ship anything.

My address is: Dale Long - N3BNA

222 Briar Hill Road

Lititz, PA 17543

Thanks & 73, Dale”

Keeping Up With Our Members

Congratulations to Larry Morgan AG5Z



And finally...

I couldn't come up with anything funny this time, so I thought I'd just tell you all my favorite joke...

Q: What's the difference between mashed potatoes and pea soup?

A: Well, *anyone* can mash potatoes....



If you have stuff you'd like to see published in The Communicator, please send it to me at jim@pandzik.com and I'll see it gets in. Thanks!

P.S. If you send photos, we'll assume we have permission to publish from BOTH the subject and the photographer. (Sorry, it's that kind of world!)