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K4ICA

MEMORIAL CALL

YL SYSTEM

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING VOLUNTEERS

WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS, THE YLISSB WOULD NOT EXIST. WE HAVE THE FOLLOWING TO THANK FOR TAKING THE INDICATED POSITIONS:

WK8Y, BOB, HAS DECIDED TO REMAIN AS 3RD PERIOD COORDINATOR

NC4RP, BOB, HAS PICKED UP THE NETLOGGER DUTIES, AND HAS UPDATED THE NEW INFORMATION

KE5AHE, CHARLES, HAS VOLUNTEERED TO TAKE OVER THE VETERAN'S LIST AND BIOGRAPHIES K4KRK, RANDY, HAS TAKEN OVER THE CANADI-

AN AWARDS FORMERLY MANAGED BY JIM, VE1 JIM K6ZNL, SCOTTY, HAS TAKEN OVER THE BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY GREETINGS, AS WELL AS KEEPING THE LIST UPDATED FOR THE COMMUNICATOR.

KC7KPG, JUDY, HAS STEPPED IN AS TFO MANAGER

THANKS TO ONE AND ALL FOR YOUR SELFLESS DEVOTION. YOU ARE WHAT MAKES THE YLISSB SPECIAL.

TFO

I HAVE HEARD MEMBERS COME ON THE SYSTEM, AND INQUIRE AS TO WHAT THE TFO NUMBER STANDS FOR. IN CASE YOU DON'T KNOW, IT STANDS FOR TOP FLIGHT OPERATOR. IT IS AWARDED TO "THE MEMBER THAT DISPLAYS HIGH STANDARDS AS A RADIO AMATEUR BY EXHIBITING ABOVE AVERAGE OPERATING PRACTICES."

” ONCE A MEMBER HAS BEEN A MEMBER FOR OVER A YEAR, AND RECEIVED TEN VOTES, HE OR SHE WILL BE ISSUED A CERTIFICATE, AND A TFO NUMBER. HOW DO YOU RECEIVE VOTES? ONCE A MEMBER HAS BEEN ISSUED A TFO NUMBER, HE OR SHE IS THEN ELIGIBLE TO VOTE FOR OTHER MEMBERS OF THE SYSTEM THAT HE OR SHE FEELS ARE OUTSTANDING OPERATORS. IF YOU HAVE BEEN AWARDED A TFO NUMBER, YOU ARE ENTITLED TO NOMINATE, ONCE A MONTH (12 TIMES A YEAR) 12 DIFFERENT POTENTIAL NEW TFO MEMBERS. THIS IS THE ONLY WAY THAT TFO NUMBERS ARE ISSUED, SO DON'T FORGET TO VOTE! IF YOU HAVE A TFO NUMBER, PLEASE SEND YOUR NOMINATIONS TO JUDY, KC7KPG, SO YOUR VOTE CAN BE TALLIED, AND PERHAPS SOON WE WILL HAVE ANOTHER NEW MEMBER IN THE RANKS OF TFO'S.

WHILE ON THE SUBJECT OF TFO'S, I WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND THE THANKS OF THE ENTIRE YLISSB TO KAREN, KB8NSA, FOR MANAGING THE TFO PROGRAM FOR SO MANY YEARS. YOUR DEVOTION TO THE PROGRAM HAS REALLY BENEFITED THE SYSTEM. THANKS.

CONVENTION 2016

IT IS OFFICIAL. OUR 2016 CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA, WITH NANCY, K9DIG AS THE HOSTESS. LOOK FOR INFORMATION IN THIS COMMUNICATOR, AND THE FOLLOWING ONES. HOPE TO SEE YOU IN GRAND FORKS NEXT JUNE.

CONVENTION 2017

IT IS NOT TOO EARLY TO START PLANNING THE 2017 CONVENTION. SO, IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING A HOST, PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

73's, 33's, AND 88's ROSE, KL7FQQ, YLISSB PRESIDENT



MOONBEAM

A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO ALL MOONBEAM CONTROLS WHO STEPPED UP TO COVER THE SCHEDULE FOR THOSE IN TRANSIT TO AND FROM THE CONVENTION AND WHEN THE SUN, WITH ITS STRANGE SENSE OF HUMOR, DECIDED TO SPANK THE IONOSPHERE WITH SOLAR FLARES AND WINDS ALONG WITH A GENEROUS HELPING OF GEOMAGNETIC STORMS. ON JUNE 22 AND 24, TERRY / K5SSL KEPT THE MOONBEAM ON FREQUENCY WHEN PROPAGATION DROPPED OFF THE PROVERBIAL CLIFF. HIS INFECTIOUS LAUGH IS A PERFECT 1:1 MATCH WITH THE TREMENDOUS SIGNAL FROM HIS PHOENIX, AZ STATION. TERRY, I THANK YOU FOR BEING THERE.

THERE IS ANOTHER YLSYSTEM MEMBER, WHILE NOT AN "OFFICIAL MOONBEAM CONTROL" WHO DESERVES A TIP OF THE HAT. JOHN / KD4EAQ HAS BECOME THE GO TO LOGGER OF THE SYSTEM. WHENEVER THERE IS A NEED FOR SOMEONE TO RUN NETLOGGER, JOHN IS THERE. I HAVE CALLED HIM ON SHORT NOTICE AND ASKED FOR HELP AND HIS RESPONSE IS ALWAYS, "NOT A PROBLEM." JOHN, FOR ALL YOUR THE TIRELESS WORK, I THANK YOU.

LARRY / AB3TY

SPECIAL DAYS ON THE SYSTEM

THE MONTH OF AUGUST IS OUR SUMMER HEAT AWARD - 2015, FROM AUGUST 1 THROUGH THE 31ST. CONTACT 30 MEMBERS WHO HAVE A TFO NUMBER, TFO OF THE YEAR AWARD, OR RIGEL TROPHY OR PLAQUE FOR THIS LOVELY AWARD.

AUGUST 11TH IS OUR SPECIAL DAY ON THE SYSTEM, TFO DAY AWARD = 2015. MAKE TEN (10) CONTACTS WITH STATIONS THAT HAVE TFO NUMBERS FOR THIS SPECIAL AWARD. K4ICA COUNTS AS 2 CONTACTS.

SEND YOUR LOGS, ALONG WITH \$5.00, TO BARBARA NEIMAN, KE5ZI, 4257 SW 7TH AVE. RD., OCALA, FL 34471. MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO BARBARA.



HOT AWARDS~

THE HEAT OF SUMMER MUST HAVE MANY SITTING OUT ON THE VERANDA SIPPING MINT JULEPS (OR SWEET TEA), WHILE A FEW OTHERS ARE SWEATING IT OUT IN THEIR AIR CONDITIONED SHACKS CHASING THOSE GREAT YLSYSTEM AWARDS.

**THE WINNERS SINCE THE PREVIOUS REPORT ARE:
JUNE QUATRO; VE3JPJ - STEVEN;
KA1HB - BOB**

**JULY FREEDOM: KF6JG - JOHN;
KT4AN - MIKE;
KE5AHE - CHARLES;
W9DTR - HERB
20M WAS: KE5AHE - CHARLES
STATES:FL, KA1HB – BOB:
TN, TX, KE5AHE - CHARLES**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THESE 6 RECIPIENTS OF 6 _
DIFFERENT AWARDS, A TOTAL OF 10 ISSUED FOR THE
PERIOD ENDING 7/15/2015.**

**TO SEE THE AWARDS AVAILABLE, GO TO THE HOME PAGE ON
OUR WEBSITE AND IN THE LEFT SIDEBOARD, SELECT "AWARD
PROGRAMS" AND THEN CLICK ON "AWARDS" TO SEE THE
REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AWARD OF YOUR CHOICE. REPEAT
BUT CLICK ON "AWARD MANAGERS" TO FIND THE ONE
DESIGNATED TO RECEIVE YOUR APPLICATION. NOTE THE FEE
FOR A DESIRED CERTIFICATE, AND YOU MUST BE CURRENT
WITH YOUR DUES.**

**HOPE TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME HERE SOON.
73 AND ALL THEM OTHER NUMBERS.**

JULY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

(THESE WERE NOT ABLE TO BE PRINTED LAST MONTH BUT WE ARE HAPPY TO PRINT THEM NOW.)

7/01 W0QPO	7/18 N9SWM
7/04 DU9EK	7/20 KL3QI
7/04 KY0TE	7/20 KJ4APD
7/04 WA5PBR	7/21 K3CJW
7/06 W8RQE	7/21 W0GHM
7/07 KJ4APD	7/22 WD5FQX
7/07 KJ4YDI	7/23 KA0ENU
7/08 KB3OMO	7/23 WK8Y
7/08 KA4WWN	7/23 KJ5Q
7/08 DJ9BK	7/24 K9WFE
7/11 KD0RIR	7/25 W2CCW
7/11 KC5SAM	7/26 W6HB
7/12 K0BGS	7/26 K0LWT
7/13 W3YZL	7/28 VK5ZB
7/13 KB7CSW	7/29 VE1QT
7/13 KA7TXR	7/29 W1AES
7/14 NM5CL	7/29 W0EWB
7/15 KC9VVU	7/29 AJ0HH
7/16 K0UB	7/30 N4EPG
7/16 KD0NQM	7/30 K1TXU
7/18 K4TFJ	7/30 VE3WWR
7/18 KA5RUZ	7/31 KC8UPU



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

7/04 KI4TXP JAY & SUE
7/10 W9DTR HERB & MARY LYNN
7/10 W8OPA RENE & JEANIE
7/14 VE9MSD MONA & VE9RMD ROBERT
7/23 KA8ULT GREG & XYL
7/23 G3LHJ DERRICK & SYLVIA-58TH
7/23 VE9GU/DIANE RON & DIANE
7/31 AB7HB BERNARD & KRISTI

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS / ANNIVERSARIES

8/01 AA4GT

8/02 W1EKZ

8/02 KB1VQF

8/02 WB6HPF

8/02 K5BOO

8/02 WD4HVA

8/02 KD7MMU

8/03 WV7V

8/05 KK4PI

8/05 N8DBC

8/06 N9GWP

8/06 K9JMB

8/08 W4OKT

8/10 JUDY (XYL OF
K3CDQ)

8/10 KP3B

8/10 K5LLR

8/10 N0END

8/10 KD5NOE

8/10 KJ4DCK

8/11 AG6WN

8/12 WA0AVW

8/14 KC1MR

8/14 N8KCJ

8/15 WN9MFC

8/15 K9DIG

8/16 KC5HIW

8/16 K5ZMX

8/20 WB0MDP

8/20 AE0J

8/20 W8LMG

8/20 WW0LF

8/21 WB9OKC

8/21 N7GBX

8/22 W9DTR

8/23 WB5OHN

8/24 NJ5G

8/24 WD8PAJ

8/24 KB1ZIQ

8/24 K7EII

8/24 AF5CK

8/25 N0QAV

8/25 AB0EG

8/27 KJ4WNW

8/27 K3MG

8/27 N4UP

8/28 KB8NSA

8/29 W3GFM

8/30 KD2ARU

8/31 WA9BXB



ANNIVERSARIES

8/17 KK4DYI NORMA &
KK4GVM KEN

8/19 N1PVT JANE &
CHRIS

8/24 KD0NEZ
BARBARA & KCOYHU
CRAIG

8/24 AC4NC NATALIE
& KD4AKT, BILL

8/28 KC1ANA ANNE &
JIM

IF WE MISS A BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY OR ANY OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL

NANCYYOSHIDA@LIVE.COM

IF YOU DO NOT TELL US WE WILL NOT KNOW.

FROM KC5RWW

SPENT FIELD DAY AT HOME WORKING ON THE PORCH. I DID SQUEEZE IN A HALF HOUR SUNDAY MORNING. MADE 9 CONTACTS; 8 WERE ON 6M AND I GAINED A NEW STATE. WEDDING, FUNERAL, AND SICKNESS TOOK UP A LOT TIME THIS MONTH. SLOWED DOWN NOW AND THE PORCH IS ALMOST FINISHED. THE CREEK DRIED UP AFTER ALL THE FLOODING. BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY PASSED. I REMEMBER WHEN I WAS 8 YEARS OLD WONDERING IF I'D MAKE IT TO THE YEAR 2000!

BETH

ROSE ASKED ME TO INCLUDE THIS. I THINK IT IS WONDERFUL WHEN WE ACKNOWLEDGE SPECIAL EVENTS. OUR SYSTEM IS FULL OF THEM. ENJOY!

HI ROSE,

I WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT I RECEIVED MY TFO 2014 AWARD. IT IS BEAUTIFUL AND I HAVE THE PERFECT SPOT FOR IT ON MY WALL. PLEASE THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE WHO CHOSE ME FOR THIS AWARD. I REALLY DO NOT FEEL I DESERVE IT BUT I WILL GRATEFULLY TAKE IT. AS YOU KNOW I ENJOY MY TIME ON THE SYSTEM AND ALL THE FRIENDS I HAVE MADE OVER THE YEARS. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH, IT IS AN IMPRESSIVE AWARD.

SINCERELY,

RON VE9GU

CONVENTION 2016 IN NORTH DAKOTA

WE ARE PLANNING ON THE 2016 CONVENTION IN GRAND FORKS ND. WE WILL BE STAYING AT THE **RED ROOF INN TOWN HOUSE IN DOWN TOWN GRAND FORKS. DOGS WELCOME!! 701 746 5411 MENTION THE YL SYSTEM INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION.**

WE WILL HAVE A TOUR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA AVIATION AND SPACE PROGRAMS.

ALSO IN THE PLANNING A TRIP TO WINNIPEG FOR LUNCH AND A BIT OF SHOPPING.

IF YOU WANT TO GO TO WINNIPEG REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR PASSPORT. IF YOU FORGET YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO CROSS THE BORDER.

ALSO IN THE PLANNING IS A TOUR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA RALPH ENGELSTAD ARENA. IT IS A 1 MILLION DOLLAR HOCKEY FACILITY BUILT BY AN ALUMNI RALPH ENGELSTAD A FORMER GOALIE.

THERE IS A FREE SHUTTLE FROM THE AIRPORT AS WELL AS A SWIMMING POOL AND INDOOR MINIATURE GOLF AT THE HOTEL.



RALPH ENGELSTAD ARENA

NEW MEMBERS

17097 - N0PMQ - LYNN IN MO

17096 - K5KCH - KEN IN NM

17095 - KJ4WMH - CINDY IN FL

17094 - N5HMH - MARK IN LA

17093 - K2POW - RON IN NY

17092 - W0LFV - STORMEY IN CA

17091 - KE8BOF - JASON IN WV

17090 - KD9DSD - TERRY IN WI

17089 - N9KJT - GARY IN WI

17088 - N4KQ - BOB IN NC

17087 - KC8DQG - FRANK IN MI

17086 - KC3EYB - ANNE IN PA

17085 - AC0ZG - JOHN IN CO

17084 - N8HLC - HARLAN IN MI

17083 - KA1HB - BOB IN TX

17082 - K8RJT - ROGER IN MI

17081 - AI5A - JERRY IN FL

17080 - KD2HRN - RON IN NY





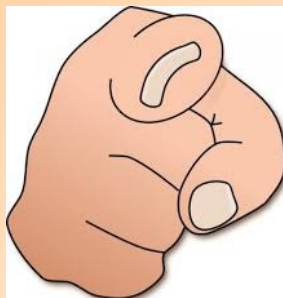
A.J. KF5FSK SAID THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME FOR HIM TO HAVE AN EYEBALL WITH ANOTHER Y.L. MEMBER. MY OM AARON AND I MET HIM AND SOME OTHER HAMS FROM THE PRESCOTT AZ AREA FOR BREAKFAST ON JULY 8TH. HE AND ANOTHER HAM HAVE BEEN TRYING TO FIGURE OUT MY RADIO PROBLEM.

THIS WAS TAKEN IN PRESCOTT, AZ JULY 8.

GLORIA AC0KV

REMEMBER IF YOU DO NOT SEE SOMETHING HERE YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE PLEASE SEND IT TO NANCYYOSHIDA@LIVE.CO.

THE COMMUNICATOR IS ONLY AS COMPLETE AS OUR MEMBERS ALLOW US TO BE. I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU.



I RECEIVED THIS FROM W5PDW. I THOUGHT YOU WOULD LIKE IT.

REYNA DE LA NOCHE (QUEEN OF THE NIGHT) BLOOM ONLY AT NIGHT. HERE IS A PHOTO OF THE BUD JUST BEFORE IT OPENED. FROM THAT PHOTO TO THE FULL BLOOM TAKES PLACE IN ABOUT 2 HOURS. BY FIRST LIGHT THE BLOOMS HAVE CLOSED AND HANGING BY THE STEM. MY BROTHER BROUGHT SOME FROM ARUBA BACK IN THE EARLY 50'S.

WHEN THE BUD FIRST APPEARS EMERGING FROM THE EDGE OF THE LEAF, IT IS THE SIZE OF A SMALL PEANUT.

W5PDW JOHN



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HAVE A GREAT AUGUST