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## Congratulations to the Latest Award Holders

Summer Award Steven, VE3JPJ  
 States Award Bob, K7PVZ  
 See the Presidents Report on pg.1 & 3

**WELCOME  
 NEW MEMBERS!!!**

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**New DVD Released!!!**  
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**  
 To  
 All our members born in  
 September

# 16236	WB1ENI	Leopold Zieller	CT
# 16237	K2PMS	Paul Schmitter	NY
# 16238	KG4CNA	Jimmy Scofield II	AL
# 16239	KE5DGN	Charles Stevens	NM
# 16240	W2FVB	George Kuhn	NJ
# 16241	N5DJV	Deborah Jo Van	TX
# 16242	N2ROT	Nicholas Italiani	FL

T = Teams

**INFORMATION UPDATE**

Rose and Stan KL7FQQ/KL7FQR

New mailing address

Rybachek, P.O. Box 954,  
 Newman Lake, WA 99025

**WANTED**

A working Solid-state Transceiver ----  
 Jennifer, WA4CVV (#15644)  
 See page 4 presidents msg: Help Requested

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**  
 September 2007

Greetings from Washington.

**2008 CONVENTION:** Our 2008 Convention will be held in Halifax, Nova Scotia, sponsored by Jim, VE1JIM. Information about this convention is on the Web site. It promises to be a wonderful convention. Remember, you may need a passport to cross into Canada.

**2009 CONVENTION:** Our 2009 Convention will be held in the City of Spokane Valley at the Mirabeau Hotel. It is scheduled to be held June 18-22. Host and Hostess are KL7FQR and KL7FQQ. More information will be given later.

**AWARDS**

The following Award were issued in August. VE3JPJ, Steven, #13145, earned the Summer Award. Also, K7PVZ, Bob, #16019, has been busy on the States' Awards. He has received awards for: IL, IN, IA, KS, MD, MI, MN, MO, MT, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, TN, TX, VA, WI and WY. Congratulations to Bob, and to Steven.

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Just dropped  
 by for an  
 Eyeball!  
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Latest Info Please Visit our website [www.ylssystem.org](http://www.ylssystem.org)

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**.20 Meter System**

Daily Schedule

KB5YQ – System Coordinator

Early A.M Warm-up Everyday

1200z – 1500z

1<sup>st</sup> -3<sup>rd</sup> Period Mon -Fri

1<sup>st</sup> Period

1500z -1700z

2<sup>nd</sup> Period

1700z – 1900z

3<sup>rd</sup> Period

1900z – 2100z

Moonbeam

K3CDQ – Coordinator

2100z – Band closes Mon – Fri

Sept.13<sup>th</sup>

We sure do appreciate the help that members give us, and thank you for showing up as you can on the Daytime system.

Here is a **special request** from Jda, KB5YQ, for members who are willing to be control stations assistants, and commit to a short block of time on a regular basis. All those interested, please contact KB5YQ on the air any day or time before the Moonbeam starts.

73/33

KB5YQ & AK1X

**Special Days on the System**

**Sept. 13**

**Mobile Day**



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**20 METER MOONBEAM**

**Sunday, September 9**

To My Dear Friends: A note in lieu of a Moonbeam report. Judy and I so much appreciate our many friends. There are friends in the neighborhood, friends at church, at Ace, at our political club and friends of our children and then there are some life long friends which we keep in touch with.

However, none of them are more dear to me, then my dearly loved friends on the YL System. I love you guys and gals, all of you, and I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for all your prayers and support. I am in awe at the number of emails, phone calls, cards, etc.

When I tell my coworkers at Ace that I have people praying for me from New Zealand to Alaska and from Hawaii to Gibraltar they just shake their heads in disbelief. Then I explain things to them about ham radio and they are amazed. Anyway, if prayer works, then I am certainly going to be okay.

It is just about 8 PM now and Judy, Amy and I just finished eating Steamed Hard-shell Crabs that Amy's husband caught this morning and she brought to us. Obviously, Amy traveled the 100 miles to the Western Shore of Maryland to be with her mom tomorrow morning while dad is in surgery.

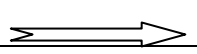


It has really been sort of a whirlwind weekend, which is good since it kept my mind off of things. When I got off from Ace yesterday, Judy and I went to the annual Republican Wine Tasting and Dinner. It was a beautiful evening and considering all the hugs I got from some beautiful ladies, I am thinking about finding a way to be ill more often, but certainly not with the Big C.

This morning we had to be sixty miles north at the Baltimore Convention Center by 8 AM. This was to witness Judy's younger brother get inducted as President of the Maryland Dental Association.... This is a big one guys and we were so proud of him. Many of our friends were there including Maryland Senators, Delegates to the General Assembly and County Commissioners. It was a great day for "Brother Butch" as we call him.

Then we went with Judy's sister Debbie and brother Gene and spouses to a steak house for a great lunch. Then home to watch the Redskins beat the Dolphins and then to Sunday evening mass. When we got home from church, Amy was here and had newspapers spread on the table, bowls of vinegar poured and Ritz Crackers spread around and in the middle of the table was a stack of Maryland Blue Crabs.

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The compiling and publishing of The Voice #57 2008 is in the Preflight process. This means we are close to print time. Any member who has not already submitted material to be included in #57 needs to do so please. I will accept materials for submission until September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007. This is the **Last Call** before we go to preflight proof-read Stage. Thanks to every one!

## 10-Meter News



By John, KI4JQB

There is definitely not much to report as to 10 meters this month. We have been trying to run the system Monday through Friday nights at 0000Z on 28.573 MHz. Normally, Chris, KI4KTA, and I are both up there putting out calls, but we do not hear each other. Usually, the best I do is hear some unrecognizable voices.

We did have good conditions a couple of times last month, however. On August 17th, 10 meters was open to some places. Lee and Chris were there, as were Amy, KC8VRT; John, KC2ATK; Ray, WA2SEI; and Bob, WA2HTB, I understand. I heard nothing recognizable. One other time during the month, there were relatively good conditions. Amy checked in, but after we exchanged signal reports, I lost her.

Since I am getting back into intensive schoolwork, I will not be able to continue controlling four to five nights a week. Basically, WE NEED HELP (and good propagation, too)! If anyone wants to know my 10-meter control procedure, you can email me at [ki4jqb@arrl.net](mailto:ki4jqb@arrl.net).

I think I can safely say that this article is short, sweet, and to the point. :-)

73,

John KI4JQB

"Little John" to many of you

## 40/80 - Meter News

By Lee, WZ1F

Well here we are into the month of September and the bands are really starting to open at night. The 40 meter system is still running strong thanks to all the help we are getting on here. We have many new Amateurs checking in with us each night and they are really enjoying the system with us, and we are really enjoying them coming on with us. Several new hams are sending in there membership application as I type this out now. Many of them are eager to start helping with the system.

Congratulations to KI4KTA and WD8LYB for earning their Service Awards. They have been the reason for the success of the 40/80 and 10 meter system. I would also like to thank John KI4JQB for all his help in keeping the 10 Meter portion of the system going. Its been a tough job on 10 Meters as the band is still just starting to open up again but John is hanging in there with help from others.

As of this time, we are thinking of reactivating the 80 meter portion of the YL system in two to three weeks. I will keep everyone posted with a notice on my web page [www.wz1f.com](http://www.wz1f.com)

I am looking for a few members to help for an hour once or twice a week. We are only on each of the 40/80 /10 Meter bands for an hour. We are looking for a couple of members in the West, Southwest or Northwest to help.

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The President Report cont from pg1...

### HELP REQUESTED.

I didn't hear if anyone was able to help Jennifer or not, so I'm reprinting her plea. I had an e-mail from Jennifer, WA4CVV (#15644), saying that she was not on the air, and wondering if the Organization could help? I wrote back, asking what type of help she needed. She responded by saying that a small solid state rig would be nice. Jennifer lives in St. Petersburg, FL. I replied to her, telling her that I'd put her plight out in my President's Report, and we'd see if any of our members might be able to help her. Her e-mail address is: [wa4cvv@yahoo.com](mailto:wa4cvv@yahoo.com).

### DVD READY

The DVD and/or VHS of the 2007 Convention is ready, and everyone is in awe of the wonderful production. Mike, KOMEY, and Mary, KCOMEZ have done. They did an outstanding job of putting this together. If you have not ordered yours, the cost is \$10.00. You may contact Mike at [mikecox3@comcast.net](mailto:mikecox3@comcast.net), or Mary at [mbcox@comcast.net](mailto:mbcox@comcast.net). You really don't want to miss this.

As the leaves start turning on the trees, our thoughts turn to winter, and hopefully all the wonderful contacts we'll make on the YL System. I

73's Rose

**WANTED**  
**System Controllers and**  
**Assistants for 20 Meters**  
**Daytime slots available**

**40/80 - Meter News continued...**

You don't have to commit for more than an hour or so each week. The band on 40 meters is starting to get longer each night and any help from our members out there would be a great help.

Those of you who need any help getting your RTTY stations up and running please let me know. Send me an email and I will either call you on the phone or respond via email.

Once again, if you have EchoLink the controls and I are on each night. So connect to WZ1F, KI4KTA OR WD8LYB. We are using EchoLink and the radio each night to assure good contacts with everyone.

73,

Enjoy the rest of the summer.

Lee wz1f

**Moonbeam continued.....**

I had about a dozen crabs and am finishing a cold one at the moment and then nothing else for me until after surgery.

**Monday September 10**

Well, by now most of you have probably heard I was home before noon today and I am told all went well but you sure can't prove that by all the pain I am in. Anyway, my daughter Amy just returned from the drug store and she and Judy have filled me up with the necessary pain killers and anti-biotics. So, by the time you read this, you should have heard me on the Monday evening Moonbeam and I should be well on the road to recovery. Thanks, thanks, thanks to all of you for your wonderful cards, emails, phone calls and prayers. Love you all!!!!!!

K3CDQ

We have a few members dealing with health issues, and are busy recovering. We keep you in our thoughts and prayers always!

**APPLE OR PEACH GOBBLER  
(COBBLER)**

MARIA-Marie Martin Jones, NØTWV  
Lake City, Colorado Recipe

**FILLING:**

3 or 4 cups apples or peaches sliced

1 cup sugar

1 stick of butter (or ½ cup)

¼ cup flour or 1 tablespoon

cornstarch

IF DRY, ADD ABOUT ½ CUP

LIQUID (WATER OR JUICE)

1 teaspoon cinnamon

½ teaspoon salt

**BOIL FOR 10 MINUTES  
(PREFERABLY IN HEAVY  
ALUMINUM BOILER) STIRRING  
CONSTANTLY.**

**POUR INTO PIE DISH—THIS IS  
LARGER THAN A PIE PAN. I USE  
A SQUARE 9 x 9 –MORE OR LESS.  
(SPRAY THE DISH WITH PAM  
FIRST)**

**CRUST:**

Mix:

1 cup Self-Rising Flour –use 1/3 cup  
more at high altitudes

1 cup sugar

2/3 cup milk or a tad more if you

have to add more flour

**POUR CRUST MIXTURE OVER  
FRUIT. BAKE AT 400 DEGREES  
FOR 30 TO 40 MINUTES.**

**DELICIOUS & EASY!**

**DX CORNER**

*This month, Gloria, KCOPPR shares her DX Story*

When we have a QSO, it is rare that we actually get to meet the other person. Thankfully, we have our annual convention to meet some of the people on our system.

Anyway, back in March of this year, I had a DX contact with Josee ON3EL from Belgium. We e-mailed after that, as I knew I would be in Belgium in July. We met at the St. Salvador Cathedral in Brugge on July 16. I have attached a picture of Josee and me.



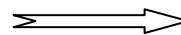
I had another picture of Josee, myself, and her husband, Frans, but it wasn't in the computer file I thought it should be in.

Frans is ON4AHW. He is not a YL system member.



It was so much fun meeting them. My husband, Aaron, met them also. We were able to talk before and after the concert.

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## Convention 2007 DVD Released

DURANGO & SILVERTON  
RAILROAD  
MESA VERDE NATIONAL PARK  
BAR D RANCH (OUR OUTING  
THERE)  
BANQUET SCENES  
SUNDAY BREAKFAST SCENES

*The accompanying music for every section was just great! If you have not yet ordered one of these DVDs, I would highly recommend that you spend the \$10.00 and do so. It is WORTH the \$10.00. And they have it arranged where if you want to click on a particular group, that you can just view that one. Again, Mike and Mary, our hats are off for the great work you did. Thanks from our hearts!*

### Order information:

Send \$10.00 money order or check to

Mike and Mary Cox  
16718 E. Floyd Ave.  
Aurora, CO 80013

Or contact for more information at  
[mcsega@yahoo.com](mailto:mcsega@yahoo.com).

VHS version to be released soon

This project helps support the YLISSB  
Scholarship Fund

### Editor's Note:

If there are any current members NOT expecting to receive a Printed copy of the Voice,  
Send me an Email at  
[pmdunn59@metrocast.net](mailto:pmdunn59@metrocast.net)

## DVD Gets Raving Reviews

*What a thrill to see the pictures. I can enjoy being with each one of you all over again. I appreciate you letting me be a part of your convention. It was special. I have never been able to ride the railroad, so I especially enjoyed those pictures. Fabulous view.*

*Thanks Mike and Mary for creating the DVD. You did an outstanding job.*

*Enjoyed meeting all of you,*

*Sarah  
Bro Mack and Marie's friend from  
Alabama*

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*Believe me, there are pictures that you MUST see. Rex, WAØAVW, received his before I did and was on the air yesterday telling us how marvelous it is and he is right. This group of people will never be together again. There are some pictures I did not even know were taken. There are some of W7KOI, Earl, and Sus, KB9OC, and Gracie that you don't want to miss seeing. WOW!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! I know we all would appreciate what you think about the DVD.*

*33/73/88,  
Maria, NØTWV*

## DX CORNER continued...

I went to France, Belgium, and Holland with the Mark Twain International Chorale. I was one of the singers and Aaron was one of the companions. Most of us spent five days in Paris before the last few came over. We felt like prairie dogs popping up here and there from the Metro. Sometimes we had to do it just to figure out where on earth we were.

We did concerts in all three countries. We sang in two American cemeteries, Brittany and Normandy. We sang Mass at the Mont St. Michel Abbey, which is a world heritage site to which people still make pilgrimages. We sang in a church in France and in Amsterdam besides the cathedral in Brugge.

It was the trip of a lifetime for us.

Gloria kc0ppr

## Just stopped by for an Eyeball...

Chris KI4KTA, our frequently heard member from St. Augustine, Fla. Shares a candid moment or two with a small wild hog that just strolled into his yard last week.



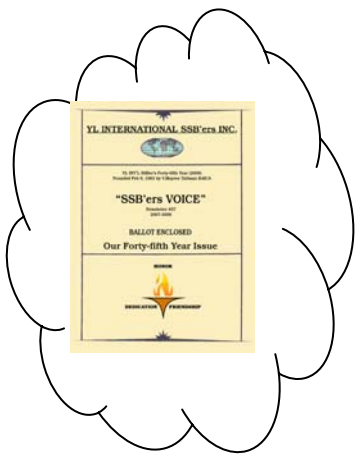
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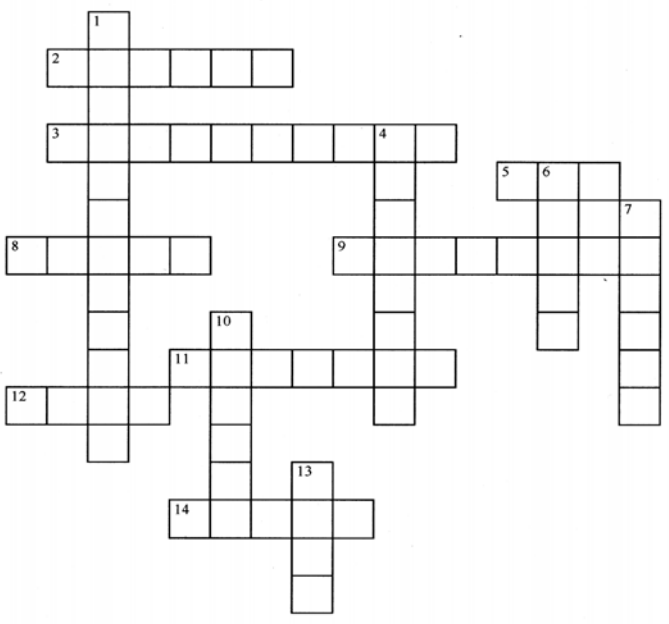
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Editorial  
Sometimes a picture  
can say more than  
words... →



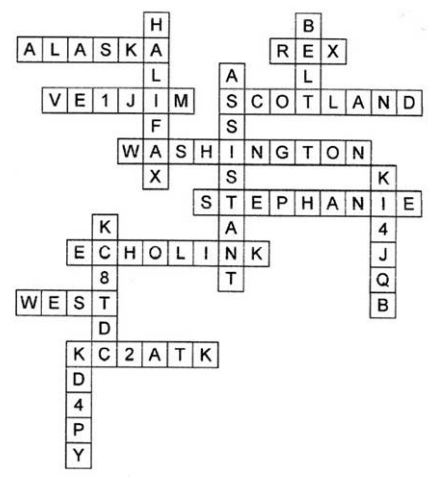
**The Communicator Challenge #3**



Solution to this month's  
Crossword Challenge will be  
published next month It is  
also available by sending a  
request by email, mail or on  
the air.  
Many of the Answers are  
within this September issue!

Solution to last month

**The Communicator Challenge #2**



- ACROSS**
- 2 Mr. Summer Award holder this month
  - 3 KI4JQB will be intensively involved with this detail
  - 8 This member caught 20 for his States Award this month
  - 11 Apple or Peach
  - 12 KC0PPR did this with her group in three different countries.
  - 14 The number count of New member's welcomed into the YL-ISSB in September

- DOWN**
- 1 WZ1F is thinking of doing this \_\_ to 80 meters
  - 4 Rose and Stan did not change this when updating their address
  - 6 Our Annual Newsletter coming out soon
  - 7 This YL member named Jennifer, needs a radio
  - 10 Special day on the system in September
  - 13 KB5YQ, K3CDQ, WZ1F, KI4JQB each made this request

YLISSB System was founded by K4ICA, V. Mayree Tallman as a worldwide emergency communications system and advocates the promotion of International good will through Amateur Radio. V. Mayree, Sidebander #1 (ISSB#1) became a Silent Key on June 19, 2001, but "Her System" lives on!  
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