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Happy Mother's Day

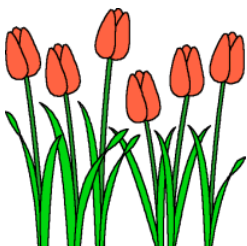
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President's Report... by Jane NIPVT (None Received)



It is with much sadness that we report the passing of Don Sharer KI4OZ ISSB #16129. Don was the husband of Peggy KI4SHY, YL System Secretary.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Peggy and her family at this time.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

NEW MEMBERS

16695	W6NWF	VIVIAN	CA
16696	KJ4LPO	LESTER	SC
16697	WD8IIR	FRANK	MI
16698	K3MG	MICHAEL	PA
16699	K5ZMX	DOUG	AR
16700	NØGFK	CLUB	ND
16701	N060	MICHAEL	CA
16702	KB3WBE	GERALD	PA
16703	WS5J	GARY	TX

MAY BIRTHDAYS

5/01 KC8TDC	5/12 KB4RDH	5/24 KB8ESY
5/05 N6JUA	5/13 K7OUO	5/26 KI4P
5/06 W5GQW	5/15 N4UOG	5/26 KC2ATK
5/10 KAØHPK	5/17 WAØAAM	5/26 AA9BB
5/10 WA6GTR	5/17 XYL OF	5/26 PJ7BK
5/11 WAØPFV	K2MGL	5/28 KL1V
5/12 W8SWT	5/19 K3UMW	5/28 KC4UBE
5/12 WA5JDV	5/23 N2RXX	5/31 AB7HB

ANNIVERSARIES

5/11	JIM VE1JIM / JOANNE	44
5/13	MICHAEL N5OKU / JULIE	26
5/21	CHRIS KI4KTA / DIANE	29

SILENT KEYS

8165	DJ4PI	EMIL	DX
10758	W1EUL	STUART	CT
10998	N4IKO	ALBURN	SC
13178	KA2AAM	JOHN	NY
15549	W9ILZ	CHARLES	OH
16129	KI4OZ	DON	SC



**In days of old
When ops were bold
And sideband not
invented
The words were passed
By pounding brass
And all were quite
contented**

TRY TO REMEMBER!

V. Mayree, Sidebander #1 who founded the System asked that out of respect for our OM members, we call our membership number a Sideband Number, 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 number as a Sideband Number.

Young ladies in the spotlight

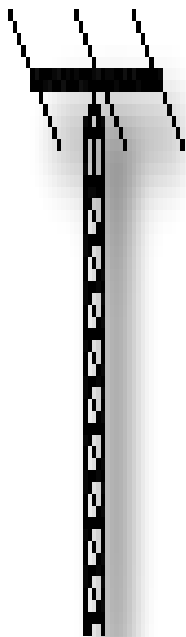
Every once in awhile, a club station, or group of visitors will check in with us. A few weeks ago, Alan, AE0AR, #16672, checked in on the Moonbeam. He was surrounded by Girl Scouts who happened to be having their meeting at his home that evening. Alan's lovely XYL is the scout master for Troop 10124 in St. Francis, Kansas, and the girls were quite interested in how Amateur Radio works.

To make a long story a bit shorter, the Controls on the Moonbeam talked to the girls, each in turn, and welcomed them to our fabulous hobby, and to the YL System. It is really gratifying to be able to give a hands-on introduction to Ham Radio, and then following it up with a nice QSL card. It makes one wonder how many of those girls will stay interested enough to perhaps get their related merit badge, and one day become Amateur Radio operators themselves. Wouldn't it be great if they even became members of the YL System?

Our thanks to Alan and his XYL for a very pleasant evening for the girls as well as the YL System folks who were present that night.

On a related note, we ask our System Controls to not indulge in lengthy conversations with Check-ins, but in cases like this, we must extend the welcoming hand of Friendship for which the YL System is so well noted.

73,
Kevin (KN4AA)



NO REPORT RECEIVED

After about twenty-five years as Moonbeam Coordinator, appointed by V. Mayree ISSB #1, I have resigned from this position. I offer my appreciation and thanks to all the Moonbeam Controls, and especially to those of you who have been controlling with me for that long period of time. You are truly a loyal and dedicated group. Please all Moonbeam related information and questions to Nancy N9DIG who has been appointed to this position.

Again, many thanks, guys and gals.
Dick K3CDQ

WHEN "NOT" TO USE YOUR CALLSIGN

When operating "portable," let's say from your summer home or a vacation camp site, it would be proper to use your callsign. However, people are often heard using their callsign from club stations or other sites which have a callsign of their own. K6AA for instance is a club call as is VE1FQ and Scotty and Jim both use the club call, not their own. They may tell someone what their call is or they may say, for instance, VE1FQ with VE1JIM at the mic. This is correct but for a person to be operating a station away from home, a station which is not theirs, then they should be identifying with that station's callsign, not their own. The same applies at a YL System Convention. There we use the callsign, K4ICA and members operating the hospitality room station should be identifying as K4ICA and not with their own callsign. K4ICA/your callsign is also acceptable.

SPONSORING FOR MEMBERSHIP

We would like to make members aware that any member can sponsor a person who would like to join the System but for one reason or another has been unable to. All that is required is for that station to desire membership and to give you the go ahead to sponsor them. Simply get their information on an application and send it to our treasurer along with the appropriate amount to cover dues. Likewise, there may also be members who would like to receive the VOICE but need someone to sponsor them with dues so that their membership will be renewed. Again, send the dues to our treasurer and indicate you would like that person's membership to be brought up to date for the current year.



Florida Qso Party 2011 results.

On SSB, George, AA4GT invited K4ADR to join him. All they did was to log 883 valid QSOs, the highest total of any station in any category in this year's FQP All were on 20M.

George has since dismantled the station for a move, but he and his teams certainly accumulated a lot of FOP QSOs over the years.



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SPOTLIGHT ON: DID NOT RECEIVE ANY BIOS OR PHOTOS



EARL W7KOI - SK, EARL'S DAUGHTER FRANCINE AND OM CLIFF