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Celebrating 50 Years

February 9, 1963 – February 9, 2013
Founded by V. Mayree Tallman K4ICA



THE YL SYSTEM "INSTANT FRIENDSHIP"
MAKING FRIENDS WORLD WIDE SINCE 1963

SYSTEM INFORMATION

NEW MEMBERS			
16771	W4SFR	DAVE	FL
16772	W1ELM	ED	MN
16773	KØJM	FRANK	SD
16774	*AD5J	STEVE	AR
16775	*K5GAL	WANDA	AR
16776	#KK4DYI	NORMA	FL
16777	#KK4GVM	KEN	FL
16778	2MØDDS	DAVID	&
16779	@K4DMW	DIANE	FL
16780	@KD4XM	GLORIA	FL
16781	KE5OTX	CURTIS	TX
16782	AF5CK	PAT	OK

*, #, AND @ INDICATE TEAMS
& = SCOTLAND

SILENT KEYS			
6860	SM4EAC	AKE	SW
15531	W7WBR	BRUCE	ID
15911	WA2HTB	BOB	NJ

We are looking for someone to take over the Communicator. If interested please let us know. How about you Alan? You did a great job on the VOICE .
 Judy and Richard

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS	
2/01 VE9RMD	2/16 JOANNE XYL
2/01 NØGEB	OF VE1JIM
2/02 N5PRU	2/16 KC7KPG
2/03 AA3DX	2/17 WA1S
2/04 KF4OPT	2/20 KFØNU
2/05 WD8BNE	2/20 NØDK
2/05 WAØYEI	2/21 NØTWV
2/06 VE4EEE	2/21 W8OPA
2/11 K1IIF	2/21 KØICA
2/13 W1TGY	2/25 KE7EZJ
2/14 AB9DR	2/26 VE3UUL
2/14 WZ1X	2/29 AJØHH
2/16 GØRHL	

ANNIVERSARIES	
2/14	K8ALT AUDREY & W8SWT STEVE
2/28	WAØAVW REX & MARILYN

CHANGES FOR THE VOICE

PAGE 74 ADD - KC5KWI 16731
 PAGE 57 ADD - KC5KWI/KC5EVR - TEAM
 PAGE 72 ADD - N4VVY 16455 FL
 NE4G SHOULD BE NF4G 15814 MS
 NE4P SHOULD BE NF4P 16369 FL
 W8JWA JIM, IS NOW K8SSS

New Postal Rates

First Class - .46¢
 Post Card - .33¢
 TO Canada—\$1.10

First Class “Forever” stamps are always good!

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SIGNAL REPORTS:AWARDS APPLICATIONS;

(FROM: KL7FQQ) When applying for any award, please follow these rules. Print as clearly as possible, and use only one side of the paper. At a minimum, your information must include the Date, Time, Call-sign, YLISSB Member Number and Frequency for your contact. Make fees payable to the appropriate Award Manager. Enjoy our Awards Program when making contacts for a YL System award a 2X2 report is the lowest report acceptable. The YL System Awards Program does not recognize 1X1 reports as a qualified contact. Be sure the signal report you give is a 2X2 report or higher.

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SPECIAL DAYS ON THE SYSTEM

February 9th is our Birthday. There is a special Birthday Certificate if you contact 20 Officers, Emeritus Council Members, and/or Committee Chairmen listed on pages 1 and 2 of the Voice. K4ICA will be on the System almost all day, and as a special bonus, if you contact K4ICA on February 9th, it will count as 10 contacts. In other words, you only need 9 more of those listed to qualify for the award, if you log a contact with K4ICA. Since our birthday falls on a Saturday, we plan on having the System active all day, with various controls. Send your applications for the award to KE5ZI, with your log and \$5.00. Be sure to join us for our Special Birthday Party. As always, checks are made payable to the Awards Manager. In this case, Barbara Neiman

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NEW MEMBER AWARD - From Awards Mgr.

Questions have been asked about whether or not this award can be worked for on different bands. The answer is that there are two options: (1) work 52 new members on any single band during System operation or (2) work 52 new members on a combination of any of the System operating frequencies combined.

Received from Nancy K9DIG - Control Opportunities: Jda is looking for one more control for First, Second and Third daytime Periods. If you can fill any spots please let Nancy K9DIG know at email address:

nancyyoshida@live.com or KB5YQ. Please consider filling one of the vacant spots as the System is only as strong as the controls we have in place. Also it is a lot of fun to meet more of the membership

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From the Historian

Hello Everyone. The YL System sure has been active lately, and that is what sustains us as a Family. The idea that Maria, N0TWV had a while back to gather information on our military Veterans was a real boon to the System. She began that task out of love, and because she really enjoys knowing who our veterans are and what they did.

Because of her recent illness, she had to relinquish the gathering of information to Sally, KK4YL, but the task goes on. We add new veterans to the list almost every day, and the biographies are amazing! All of our veterans are heroes!

My take on the subject goes like this...A veteran - whether active duty, retired, served one hitch, or reserve, is someone who, at one point in their life, wrote a blank check made payable to 'The Government of the United States of America' for an amount of 'up to and including my life'.

From one Veteran to another, it's an honor to be in your company. Thank you for your service to our country and defending the freedoms we enjoy.

73,
Kevin KN4AA
YL System Historian

V. Mayree, K4ICA (SK) Sidebander #1 who founded the YL System asked that out of respect for our many OM members, **that we call our membership number a Sideband Number and 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 membership number as a Sideband Number and don't forget, We are the YL System, not the YL Net.

Greetings from Texas

AWARDS

VE7AAV has received Century, Statehood and Old Timer's Awards...he's been busy! VE5ADO and K9DIG have received the Winter award. KB9GFX has received the Statehood Award, and the Worked All States 20 Meters. K3CDQ has received the Old Timer's Award. K3CDQ, K9DIG and K4KRK have received the One in a Million Award. K9DIG has received the Veterans Award, and finally, W4JMJ, W3ZR, KK4YL, KN4AA, K4KRK, KL7FQQ, N0MMR and KB7CSX have received the Stars of the Southern Cross special Anniversary Award. Congratulations to all.

POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

The newly approved Policy and Procedures (P&P) Manual is available on the Web Site. Every member is encouraged to review it, as some changes have been made in our procedures. If you'd like the P&P Manual via e-mail, please send your e-mail address to me, kl7fqg@yahoo.com, and I'll send it to you. IF you'd like a hard copy, they are \$5, and can be obtained by contacting Alan AE0AR at P.O. Box 673, St. Francis, KS 67756.

CONVENTION 2013

Did you see the registration form for the 2013 Convention that arrived with the Voice? (What a neat idea to send self addressed envelopes, Alan). Doesn't the Train ride to the top of Pike's Peak sound like fun? Looking forward to seeing you all in Colorado in June.

CONVENTION 2014

Still looking for someone to host the 2014 Convention. Want to try? Send an e-mail to any Board member.

NEW CALL

Several of our members have received new and interesting calls. However, when our Secretary changes his call, it is worth calling attention to that fact. So, if you hear W4ZGH on the air, say hello to the former N0TJO, who is still secretary. He has not escaped his duties by changing calls.

I hope you have a Fabulous February..

33's, 73's and 88's Rose



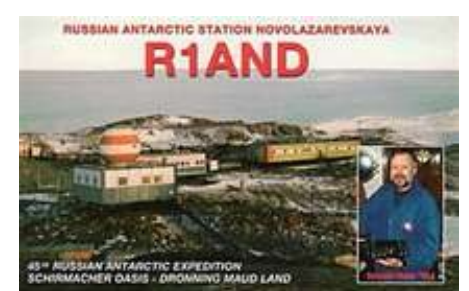
YL SYSTEM ANNUAL CW QSO PARTY

BEGINNING ON: February 9, 0000 UTC - ENDING ON February 10, 2359 UTC

Recommended Frequencies : 40 to 60 KHz up from the bottom of 10, 15, 20, 40, 80



ANTARCTICA ACTIVITY WEEK - FEBRUARY 20 THRU 26 - DETAILS IN ISSUE #188



These are just some of the many Antarctica callsigns that are active and available for contacts. If you are fortunate to hear any of these Antarctica stations active, it would be nice to have you come to the System frequency and let your many friends know they are active and where.

To All the TFOs voting for TFO of the Year: I want to say I am humbled and honored to receive this great award. I do not know that I deserve it but thank you all very much for honoring me with it. I hope I can continue to live up to this great honor and serve the System in any way I can. I would also like to say I would love to share this if possible with WB5BRD. He was definitely my vote for TFO of the year. What a wonderful surprise for Christmas. Nancy K9DIG

ONE IN A MILLION (25) Fee \$5.00 US Start date January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013

Work members on any System frequency using SSB. All bands are acceptable, but once a station is worked on a band, that member can NOT be used again on another band.

The objective is to during our 50th Anniversary Year 2013 - to work members, add the respective member numbers until they total ONE MILLION (1,000,000)

All contacts have to be individually made by each member. A System Control cannot count check-ins for credit. All contacts, without exception, must be individual.

By the way, during 2013, to apply for any or all of the 2013 Special Monthly Awards, send your logs and \$5.00 fee to Barbara Neiman KE5ZI.

CONTACTS FOR BIRTHDAY PARTY AWARD

FEBRUARY 9, 2013

CALL	DATE	TIME	REPORT		YLISSB #	NAME
			sent	rec'd		
K4ICA					1	
	CONTACT	WITH	K4ICA	ACTS	AS 10	CONTACTS
ABOEG						Jodie
AE0AR						Alan
K3CDQ						Dick
K6ZNL						Scotty
KB5YQ						Jda
KB8NSA						Karen
KB9OC						Sus
KE5ZI						Barbara
KC7KPG						Judy
KI4TXP						Jay
KK4YL						Sally
KL7FQQ						Rose
KN4AA						Kevin
NOTWV						Maria
N1PVT						Jane
N5BYF						Ellie
NF2J						Joan
K9DIG						Nancy
W4JMJ						Joan
W4ZGH						Brian
W7AJP						Bill
W7WTQ						Ralph
WAOPFV						Rev. Jim
WD1Z						Bud
VE1JIM						Jim
ZL1AMN						Dave

Must have 20 contacts to qualify for Birthday Party Certificate. Remember, contact with K4ICA counts as 10 contacts.
 Send log to KE5ZI, Barbara Neiman, 4257 SW 7th Ave. Rd., Ocala, FL 34471-7497, along with check for \$5.00.

OPERATOR

CALL



BRUCE W2GBX #8457 FLORIDA



KAREN KB8NSA WITH PASTOR MILLS



ENGINE OFFICER RON K9SX AND DRIVER MAUREEN

The computer swallowed Grandma,
 Yes, honestly it's true!
 She pressed 'control and enter'
 And disappeared from view.
 It devoured her completely,
 The thought just makes me squirm.
 She must have caught a virus
 Or been eaten by a worm.
 I've searched through the recycle bin
 And files of every kind;
 I've even used the internet,
 But nothing did I find.
 In desperation, I asked Mr. Google
 My searches to refine.
 The reply from him was negative,
 Not a thing was found 'online.'
 So, if inside your 'inbox,'
 My Grandma you should see,
 Please 'Copy, Scan' and 'Paste' her,
 And send her back to me.

This is a tribute to all Grandmas & Grandpas
 who have been fearless and learned to use the
 Computer. They are the greatest!!!
 We do not stop playing because we grow old;
 We grow old because we stop playing...

Never be The First To Get Old!



THIS IS CAPTAIN RON K9SX #15592 AND FOUR HOURS LATER HE BECAME MAJOR RON.

AA4GT, GEORGE R TOMLINSON, FL #14085 I went in the Army September 1, 1953. They sent me to Ft Meade MD for about one week. Then they sent me to Ft Leonard Wood, MO. I had 8 weeks of basic training and then 8 weeks of Engineer training. December 31, they sent me to Ft Bolivar VA for water treatment school. I was there for nine weeks. After 30 days leave I went to Ft Jackson SC. I was there for about one month. They then sent me to Ft Bragg NC and I was there for 3 weeks. They then sent me to Ft Lewis WA and then to Korea for 13 months. I was on a water point making drinking water. Thanksgiving 1954 I spent in Japan on R&R for 10 days. The end of May 1955 I was sent back to the States to Ft Lawton WA. I spent 5 days on a troop train going back to Ft Meade MD. I got discharged June 22 1955. I was a water purification Spec.

ABØEG, JOANNE (JODIE) LAW, TX #15322 Served four years in the U.S. Army. Was stationed in Germany and then the Korean war started and I was extended for a full extra year in the service as were all service people. Am a current member of VFW Post 2410 in Harlingen, Texas.

AB7HB, BERNARD J FINEBERG, WA #15795 U. S. ARMY Vietnam Era Korean veteran. Communications and Radar Engineering.

AC8W, STAN K ARNETT II, MI #10322 U.S. AIR FORCE

AEØAR, ALAN L RUSS, KS, #16672 I had a combination of active duty with the Army, U. S. ARMY NATIONAL GUARD and U. S. ARMY RESERVE, and finally retired as a Chief Warrant Officer.

AE5YZ, MICHAEL D. WALTERS, NM, #16673 U. S. ARMY/U. S. AIR FORCE 1969-1975

AJØHH, JOSEPH H HOEPFNER, IA #15703 I spent 20 years in the U. S. AIR FORCE from Dec 1977 through Dec 1997. I started out as an administrative specialist then changed over to maintaining microwave and satellite communications equipment. While I spent those years in the service, I did not leave ham radio behind. I was stationed in US in Florida, Texas, Oklahoma as well as my training in Mississippi. Overseas I was in Germany, S Korea and the Azores. While in these countries I held the local calls DA2DE (Germany), HL9HF (S. Korea) and CU3LG (Azores). I spent a lot of time providing a MARS Message outlet to military and family members while in Korea and the Azores. Spent a lot of off duty time in the Azores on HF bands.

I did get to Saudi Arabia twice after the war was over. Not much excitement during my term in the military, but did have fun on the radio. My first commendation medal came as a result of setting up a portable MARS station while evacuated from Patrick AFB FL during the Hurricane David period of the late 70s. I was able to keep the Unit commander in contact with the base command post as to when people could return to the base.

KØCE, FREDERICK (FRED) D DUKE, MN #15831 I was in the U. S. MARINE CORPS and in the INFANTRY in Viet Nam in 1965 to 1966 with the 2nd battalion 3rd marines, amphibious assault group. Then I did a tour of sea duty with the marine detachment on the USS Randolph, then I went to Boston, Mass and was on the armed forces police detachment until I was discharged. SEMPER FI once a Marine always a Marine!

K0KER, GLENN COMMONS, MO #16365 U.S. Army/NG. My draft notice arrived June 12th, 1963, four days after graduating from college, and three days before I was to appear at Fort Campbell, KY for induction. That day was also the day on which Linda's and my wedding had been scheduled with about 100 people coming to attend. I quickly sought out an alternative and ended up joining the Indiana National Guard in my home town of Richmond, IN. Basic training and Advanced Infantry Training were in Fort Knox, KY during the summer of 1964 where I was to be trained as a clerk typist. However, I already typed over 60 wpm, so, when found that out, they placed me in a battalion headquarters where I served the battalion commander as his assistant and jeep driver. After discharge from active duty, I returned to my National Guard unit, a mechanized infantry unit, for monthly weekend meetings and two weeks every summer in Camp Grayling, MI. I was trained there as a gunner on a jeep mounted 105mm recoilless rifle. Remember the TV show, Rat Patrol? In 1966, Linda and I moved to Indianapolis and I transferred to the Headquarters Company of the Indiana National Guard, where I completed my six years of service with three years as a records specialist.

K0PTK, RON CASHON, NE #9332. I was in the Nebraska Army National Guard from June 1962 to June 1978. Sixteen years in the artillery, and communications. Left service as a sergeant-E5. Spent basic at Ft. Leonard Wood, MO, and then on to Ft. Sill, OK.

K0THP, TOMAS H. PIERCE, IA #16644. I joined the Navy prior to graduating high school in 1965. I went to boot camp in San Diego and "A" in Great Lakes. Upon graduating from "A" School volunteered for river boat duty in Viet Nam. I spent 3 months in country, was injured and was sent back to the states assigned to a ship on the east coast. I was stationed in Italy twice on 2 different ships and a couple other ships before getting out of the Navy and started farming in 1984. When Carter caused the price of grain to drop down, and Reagan was elected, I went back in the Navy in 84. I went to a destroyer out of San Diego, where I was involved in escorting ships in the Persian Gulf, also boarding them and assisting the wounded and making repairs if required. I was also off the coast of Panama when we went into that country. I was on a few other ships including the USS Iowa out of Norfolk. I retired in 1994. Bought an acreage in western Iowa and this is my present QTH.

K0UB, WILLIAM (BILL) W BOSCH, ND #14817 U.S. AIR FORCE 1952 to 1956. Parks AFB, CA, Basic training. Francis E. Warren, AFB, WY, schooling. Haneda, AFB, Japan, 53-55. Hill, AFB, Utah, TDY to Azores, and Iceland. 1,503rd Air Transport Wing has a reunion every year. We have made two. 2013 will be in Omaha, NE.

K0WNR, ROY W OVERTON, IA, #16051 I was in the U. S. Public Health as an officer, assigned to the Indian division....we had the uniforms of the Coast Guard but not assigned to the service...I served 2 years but not as a military person but ranked as a Captain...we also were on borders of the country right after Korea was at the same parallel (we are still there)

Some gave their time and knowledge and experience to the country in various other ways. I had been deferred because of Medical school and then was asked to serve as need arose... so I am a non veteran but still did my service as a doctor for the Indian division. We got no veterans benefits. There was no active fighting going on but did take my service time when needed and filled my draft requirements...otherwise I would have been in Korea as another Hawkeye. USPHS as a Captain, medical officer. I seldom mention this to others but there are other ways to help your country rather than military...1955 to 1957.

VETERANS OF THE YLISSB SYSTEM



(We hope that other Veterans will make themselves known. Please send your information to
KK4YL, Sally, or N0TWV, Maria – E-mail addresses on QRZ)

<u>U. S. Veterans</u>	KA7UOR-Zane	N0DK-Emil	W7CB-Larry
AA4GT-George	KB1CSI-John	N0JSP-Fred	W7JSD-Sid
AB0EG-Jodie	KB3ITJ-Jerry	N3BPM-Steve	W7WTQ-Ralph
AB7HB-Bernard	KB7CSW-Justin	N3TG-Red	W8ZLK-Fred
AC8W-Stan	KB9OC-Sus	N4ACS-Jim	W9DTR-Herb
AE0AR-Alan	KC2ATK-John	N7FSR-Norm	WA2VJL-Al
AE5YZ-Mike	KC2UZT-John	N8COQ-Ken	WA4KSO-Curt
AJ0HH-Joe	KC7KPF-Tom	N9QA-Charlie	WA5PBR-Doug
K0CE-Fred	KC8TDC-Gerald	NA4ME-Chuck	WA5TRX-Larry
K0KER-Glenn	KD0KPM-Ron	NM5CL-Charles	WA7ID-Burl
K0PTK-Ron	KD5LWU- Fr Johnny	W1VCU-Denny	WB5BRD-Ray
K0THP-Tom	KD7ADH-Jerry	W2PJR-Paul	WB7VNL-Ray
K0UB-Bill	KE7BAB-Dick	W3WRL-Rus	WD1Z-Bud
K0WNR-Roy	KE7VSC-John	W4CT-Ben	WV1B-Andrew
K2MGL-Chuck	KF9GS-Dick	W4VTH-Skip	WV1Y-Ken
K3CDQ-Dick	KK4AED-Howard	W4ZGH-Brian	<u>DX Veterans</u>
K3MG-Mike	KK4DWC-Don	W5CAP-C A	VE1JIM-Jim
K3UMV-Bill	KK6CS-Ken	W5GGO-Sid	VE3OWS-Ken
K4KRK-Randy	KK7ZB-Chuck	W6HB-Doug	VE7AAV-Mike
K4TAG-Tag	KL7FQR-Stan	W6MEI-Bob	
K9WFE-Gene	KM5FF-Eddie	W6TNP-Stu	
KA7ICF-J R	KN4AA-Kevin	W6VY- Bob	

Veteran's information

We currently have additional bios to be published in the next issue and in future issues. As more information is received it will be added. If you are a Vet and would like to be added to the list, send your information to Sally KK4YL or Maria N0TWV. The bios on pages 8 & 9 were written by the vets and not edited by us. Information below received from Sally:

I have both the Vet Bios and the Veterans Alphabetical list on my website now.

<http://www.qsl.net/kk4yl/VeteransListByCallSigns.pdf>
<http://www.qsl.net/kk4yl/VeteransBios.pdf>