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President's report

Greetings From Texas

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AWARDS

THE AWARDS ISSUED SINCE LAST REPORT ARE:
PRESIDENT'S DAY: VE2OCH AND K4KRK. PRESIDENT'S NAME: K9DIG, VE2OCH, K4KRK. SNOWY JANUARY, VE5ADO. NEW MEMBER, K4KRK; MAY DAY: WK8Y, KL7FQQ, KC7KPG, VE1JIM, KF6JG, KJ5Q AND N5WQ. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL.

NET LOGGER

SEVERAL OF OUR CONTROLS HAVE TAKEN OVER THE TASK OF OPERATING NET LOGGER FOR THE VARIOUS PERIODS. SOMETIMES THOSE THAT ARE OPERATING NET LOGGER ARE NOT ABLE TO HEAR ALL THE CONTROLS, SO IT IS NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR THEM TO KEEP THE LOG ACCURATE. THEREFORE, IF YOU AS A CONTROL DO NOT HAVE NET LOGGER CAPABILITY, AND ANOTHER STATION IS HELPING BY OPERATING NET LOGGER, PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT THE LOGGER IS ABLE TO RECEIVE ALL THE CALLS. THIS COULD MEAN THAT YOU HAVE TO SET UP A RELAY STATION TO ENSURE THAT THE NET LOGGER IS ACCURATE.

HOW TO HANDLE RECHECKS

PLEASE, WHEN YOU RECHECK INTO THE YL SYSTEM, GIVE YOUR CALL SIGN ALONG WITH THE RECHECK. IF YOU ARE A CONTROL, AND HEAR A RECHECK MIXED IN WITH OTHERS CHECKING IN, IT IS NOT REQUIRED TO PICK UP THE RECHECK FIRST. JUST PUT THE RECHECK INTO YOUR LIST, AND CALL THEM AS YOU WOULD ANY OTHER STATION CHECKING IN.

CONVENTION 2014

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE! THE CONVENTION STATION (K4ICA/4) WILL BE ON THE AIR, WITH A SPECIAL QSL CARD FOR WORKING IT....MAKE A CONTACT!

CONVENTION 2015

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO HOST THE 2015 CONVENTION, SO IF WE CAN TWIST YOUR ARM A LITTLE, PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF THE BOARD MEMBERS. CHECK OUT THE WEB PAGE FOR E-MAIL ADDRESSES.

HELP NEEDED

OUR AWARDS COORDINATOR IS EXPERIENCING SOME SERIOUS HEALTH ISSUES, AND WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO PASS THE REINS OVER TO SOMEONE ELSE. SO, IF YOU HAVE ANY BACKGROUND IN DESIGNING AWARDS, AND WOULD LIKE TO ASSIST, PLEASE CONTACT ME AT KL7FQQ@YAHOO.COM.

BOUTIQUE

EVERY YEAR OUR MEMBERS DONATE ITEMS FOR THE BOUTIQUE AT THE CONVENTION. THE ITEMS ARE SOLD, AND THE PROCEEDS GO TO THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND. THIS YEAR, BOBBIE K4ZGH WILL BE HEADING UP THE BOUTIQUE, WITH THE HELP OF JOAN (W7AJP's XYL). SO, IF YOU HAVE ITEMS YOU'D LIKE TO DONATE TO THE BOUTIQUE, PLEASE BRING THEM WITH YOU, OR YOU CAN MAIL THEM TO BOBBIE LIVINGSTON, 2160 IVY ST., PORT CHARLOTTE, FL 33592.

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

SPECIAL DAYS ON THE SYSTEM

JUNE 10TH IS OUR SPECIAL JUNE CUARTRO AWARD DAY. CONTACT 5 MEMBERS OF THE YLISSB THAT HAVE SSB NUMBERS THAT END IN A 4 FOR THIS SPECIAL AWARD. K4ICA, OUR CLUB CALL, COUNTS AS ONE CONTACT.

JUNE 1-30 IS OUR CONVENTION AWARD FOR 2014. CONTACT 20 MEMBERS WHO RESIDE IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA. CONVENTION ATTENDEES COUNT DURING THE DAYS OF THE ACTUAL CONVENTION.

ALL LOGS ARE TO BE SENT TO: BARBARA NEIMAN, KE5ZI, 4257 SW 7TH AVE. RD., OCALA, FL 34471-7497, WITH YOUR CHECK FOR \$5.00 PER AWARD, MADE PAYABLE TO BARBARA NEIMAN.

NEW MEMBERS

16944 - WB0RYD - SCOTT IN MN
16943 - KD0USN - BOB IN SD
16942 - W4PSS - PATRICK IN CO
16941 - K3CJW - COREY IN MD
16940 - NT7J - DON IN WA
16939 - NC4RP - BOB IN NC
16938 - N4TLT - TERRY IN NC
16937 - KC0AXI - TERRY NE
16936 - KA8ULT - GREG OH
16935 - VY2DS - DOUG IN CANADA
16934 - KK4WYN - RICHARD FL
16933 - NQ1V - VERMONT HAMS VT
16932 - KK4SGX - RUSSELL GA
16931 - KB2HH - JIM VA
16930 - N6LBR - LUKE IN CA
16929 - W0JFM - JOHN IN MO
16928 - KK4JAP - BILLY IN TN
16927 - KK4FXJ - JEFF IN SC
16926 - NP2OW - GILLY IN ST JOHN VI
16925 - VY1MAB - MARK IN CANADA
16924 - KE5AJI - DYRK MS
16923 - K7EII - MIKE ID
16922 - KI4VMK - CHARLES FL
16921 - KB3HBQ - BERNIE PA
16920 - KK4UGY - WADE NC

16919 - KC1ANA - ANNE MA
16918 - KG4YNI - ERNIE FL
16917 - KA5UVN - JERRY OH
16916 - KC9VVU - GREG IN
16915 - KF7YAT - CHERYL AX
16914 - AC7QM - MARK AZ

BIRTHDAYS

THERE WAS AN PROBLEM THIS MONTH AND SO I WAS NOT ABLE TO GET THE BIRTHDAYS IN THIS ISSUE.

I WILL PUBLISH BOTH JUNE AND JULY NEXT MONTH SO WE WILL HAVE SOME BELATED GREETINGS TO SHARE WITH EACH OTHER.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF YOU HAVING A JUNE ONE.



YL SYSTEM AND CERT COMBINE TO HELP HAMS

ON 26 APRIL CERT (COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM) AND THE YL SYSTEM SUNRISE PORTION WORKED TOGETHER TO GIVE TECH AND GENERAL CLASS HAMS SOME ON AIR EXPERIENCE.

OUR CITRUS COUNTY CERT MEMBERS HOLDING AT LEAST TECHNICIAN CLASS HAM LICENSES NUMBER IN THE HIGH 70'S, APPROXIMATELY 78 AS OF RIGHT NOW AND SLOWLY CLIMBING. THIS IS ONE OF THE HIGHEST IN THE COUNTRY. WE USE 2 METER COMMUNICATIONS DURING EMERGENCIES TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE IN NEED.

OUR GOALS FOR SATURDAY WERE USING THE PHONETIC ALPHABET, PROPER CHECK-IN AND TRAFFIC HANDLING TO AND FROM TEAMS IN THE FIELD. IN OTHER WORDS, JUST GETTING THEM COMFORTABLE IN TALKING ON THE RADIO. WE ALSO WANTED TO INTRODUCE THEM TO THE HF SIDE OF HAM RADIO.

WE HAD A 2 METER BASE STATION THAT WE USED WITH THEIR HAND HELD RADIOS FOR THAT PORTION OF THE PROGRAM. WE HAD A HF STATION SET UP TO TRY AND STIR AN INTEREST IN MOVING UP IN CLASS TO AT LEAST A GENERAL CLASS LICENSE. WE MADE A COUPLE OF CONTACTS ON 10 METERS SO THEY COULD LOG CONTACTS UNDER THEIR OWN CALLS. THEY NOT ONLY MADE THEIR FIRST CALL ON HF BUT IT WAS A DX IN VENEZUELA. THE LOOK ON THEIR FACES WAS WORTH THE EFFORT IN SETTING UP THIS PROJECT.

THE PART THE YL SYSTEM PLAYED WAS WHERE THEY HELPED SEVERAL OF OUR PEOPLE TO MAKE 3RD PARTY CONTACTS. THE PEOPLE STAYED AROUND AFTER THE NORMAL SHUTDOWN TIME OF 1500 UTC AND DURING TERRIBLE BAND CONDITIONS TO HELP OUT AND I CAN'T THANK THEM ENOUGH FOR THEIR HELP. FOR SEVERAL PEOPLE IT MADE A DIFFERENCE. DURING OUR CAUSAL QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION WE WERE ASKED ABOUT THE NEXT GENERAL CLASS COURSE AND WHEN WILL IT BE TAUGHT.

THANK YOU AGAIN MY FRIENDS FOR ALL OF YOUR HELP.

RESPECTFULLY,

GLORIA WELLS K4DXM #16883

SEE PICTURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE





PICTURES LEFT TO RIGHT: LEFT FAR LEFT IS ME GLORIA K4DXM WITH GALE MOODY KK4DYI #16776 ON HF MAKING CONTACTS. CENTER IS KIM MALAVE KK4PBF AND PHIL WORTH KK4BNL MAKING 2 METER CONTACTS. THE SECOND PICTURE IS CINDY STUBER KJ4WMH ON BOTTOM LEFT UPPER LEFT IS HER OM NON HAM, TOP RIGHT IS RONNIE KING K4RLK MY CO CONSPIRATOR IN RADIO DAY AND BOTTOM RIGHT IS ME. WE ARE MAKING A CONTACT WITH VENEZUELA. WE ARE USING A MULTI-POSITION BOX TO PLUG AS MANY AS 8 HEADPHONES IN WITH VOLUME CONTROL THAT I MADE FOR FIELD DAY. THE LETTER HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR USE.

**THANKS AGAIN,
GLORIA**

**FROZEN CREAMY LEMON PIE
THIS IS FROM K4DXM #16883**

IF YOU MAKE YOUR OWN CRUST: (SKIP THIS PART IF YOU BUY PRE-MADE CRUSTS.)

6 WHOLE CINNAMON GRAHAM CRACKERS

2 TBSP. BUTTER MELTED

PLACE THE GRAHAM CRACKERS IN A FOOD PROCESSORS GRIND AND PLACE IN A BOWL AND ADD MELTED BUTTER AND MIX WITH A FORK. PLACE MIXTURE IN A PIE PAN AND PRESS INTO PLACE WITH EITHER A FORK OR SPOON. PUT IN REFRIGERATOR WHILE PREPARING FILLING.

FILLING:

2) EGGS

1) 11 OZ. CAN OF EAGLE BRAND SWEETENED CONDENSED MILK.

1/2 CUP LEMON JUICE.

IN A MEDIUM BOWL, COMBINE THE CONDENSED MILK AND EGGS; MIX UNTIL SMOOTH. ADD LEMON JUICE AND CONTINUE TO MIX UNTIL INCORPORATED. POUR INTO THE PREPARED CRUST.

PLACE ON A COOKIE SHEET AND BAKE IN A 350 DEGREE OVEN FOR 20 MIN. COOL AND PLACE INTO THE FREEZER UNTIL FROZEN.

BOOK MIKE RACES AGAIN

RESILIENCE OVERCOMES INJURY

WILL BE OUT IN SEPT.

HERE IS THE COVER.

IT IS ANOTHER DOG STORY. THIS ONE IS ABOUT MIKE WHO STEPS IN A SNARE TRAP AND ALMOST LOOSES A FOOT. HE NOT ONLY SURVIVES BUT HEALS TO START IDITAROD '09.

NANCY K9DIG #16336





**YLISSB CONVENTION
JUNE 11-15, 2014
HILTON GARDEN INN-BRANDENTON AIRPORT
8270 N. TAMiami TRAIL
SARASOTA, FLORIDA 34243**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, JUNE 12

**12:00 LUNCH HOSTED BY JOAN AND PETER, AT: 2916 LITTLE COUNTRY ROAD,
PARRISH, FL**

2:30 PM REGISTRATION - HOSPITALITY SUITE, ROOM 116, RADIO OPERATING

FRIDAY, JUNE 13

7 AM-10 PM HOSPITALITY SUITE – ROOM #116

10 AM LEAVE FOR TOUR – RINGLING ART AND CIRCUS MUSEUM

**3 PM- 5 PM WORKSHOP – AWARDS, POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL,
NETLOGGER, AMBASSADOR CLUB, ETC. (HOSPITALITY SUITE,
ROOM #116 OR DOLPHIN-SARASOTA ROOM)**

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

7 AM – 10:00 PM HOSPITALITY SUITE – ROOM #116

9 AM -11:59 AM GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING DOLPHIN-SARASOTA ROOM

**1:30 PM-3:00 PM BOARD MEETING. ALL MEMBERS WELCOME. DOLPHIN-
SARASOTA ROOM**

6:00 PM NO-HOST COCKTAILS – DOLPHIN-SARASOTA ROOM

**6:30 PM AWARDS BANQUET - AUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.
DOLPHIN-SARASOTA ROOM**

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

7:30 AM – 9 AM FAREWELL BREAKFAST - DOLPHIN-SARASOTA ROOM

EARN A SPECIAL 51ST ANNIVERSARY QSL CARD. WORK K4ICA ON 14.332.





**A G E N D A
YLISSB ANNUAL MEETING
SARASOTA, FLORIDA
JUNE 14 2014**

CALL TO ORDER 9:00 AM

INVOCATION

INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

2013 MINUTES

TREASURER'S REPORT

BUDGET

DUES \$5.00 EXTRA

OFFICER'S REPORTS

PRESIDENT

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CONVENTION CHAIRMAN AWARDS

CHAPLAIN CONDOLENCE COMMITTEE

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NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

SCHOLARSHIP NUMBER AND AMOUNT FOR 2015

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NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

BIDS FOR 2015 CONVENTION

BIDS FOR 2016 CONVENTION

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DUES MUST BE CURRENT TO PARTICIPATE IN MEMBERSHIP MEETING

YL SYSTEM CONVENTION 2014 QSL CARDS

DESIGNED BY BUD WD1Z # 12186



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
State of FLORIDA
Manatee County EL87rj
City of Sarasota



YLISSB - 2014 CONVENTION

Confirming 2-way SSB QSO with Amateur Radio Station _____
on this _____ Day of June, 2014 at _____ hours UTC
from "The City of Sarasota, FL, USA" on Frequency 14.332 MHz.
Your Report: _____ Operator: _____
<http://www.ylssystem.org> Pse QSL Tnx



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K4IGA

Sidebander's Memorial Call Sign - Sidebander # 1

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MARIA NOTWV #12317 RECEIVED THIS FROM MARILYN N6LFJ #14201
AND HAS SHARED IT WITH US. THANKS MARILYN AND MARIA. THESE ARE
AMAZING PICTURES.

HI MARIA,

WELL I WAS COMING BACK FROM TOWN YESTERDAY AND I COULD SEE A BRUSH FIRE STARTING OVER THE HILL BEHIND ME. IT GOT SO BAD THAT I LOADED UP MY LITTLE MOTOR HOME AND HEADED FOR THE ELKS. I CANNOT SO SMOKE. WELL WHEN I GOT READY FOR BED LAST NIGHT AND WENT TO TURN OUT THE LIVING ROOM LIGHT I NOTICED I HAD SOME MESSAGES. TWO OF THEM WERE FROM THE COUNTY FIRE DEPT. ON A REVERSE ORDERING US TO HEED A MANDATORY EVACUATION. WELL THEY SENT THE MESSAGES RIGHT AFTER I LEFT. I SAT AT THE LODGE SAFE AND SOUND. I THREW A LOT OF STUFF IN ON THE BED PIX, COMPUTER, CAMERA, CLOTHES, FOOD IN THE FRIDGE AND CUPBOARD SO I WAS SET.

WELL IT WENT OVER THE HILL EAST AND IT CLEARED IN MY AREA SO ME AND A GUY THAT LIVES UP THE STREET DECIDED TO COME HOME. WELL I HIT BARRIERS AND 3 STREETS AND WHEN I GOT TO MY STREET I WENT AROUND THE BARRIER A BLOCK NORTH OF ME AND DROVE UP TO THE HOUSE AND THE SHERIFF WAS AT MY CORNER. HE STOPPED ME OF COURSE AND I TOLD HIM THAT THIS IS MY HOUSE AND I WOULD LIKE TO PARK MY MOTOR HOME. I TOLD HIM I EVACUATED EARLIER. WELL THEY EVEN HAD OUR ALLEYS BARRICADED SO I HAD TO MOVE THE BARRICADE TO GET MY MOTOR HOME INTO THE DRIVE.





I PERSONALLY THINK THIS IS JUST AN AMAZING PICTURE. SO GLAD YOU SHARED THEM MARILYN.

FYI: K9DIG 16336 PARTICIPATED IN THE ARRL SWEEPSTAKES PHONE CONTEST IN NOVEMBER '13 AS A SINGLE OPERATOR. THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME AS A SINGLE OPERATOR. EVEN THOUGH SHE DID NOT WIN THE DIVISION WHICH SHE DID THE LAST THREE YEARS AS A MULTI-OP ENTRY SHE DID WIN THE SECTION AND SET A NEW SECTION RECORD FOR SINGLE OP HIGH POWER UNLIMITED.

HERE IS AN ARTICLE DONE 5/18/14 BY THE GRAND FORKS HERALD ON WEATHER SPOTTING. K9DIG 16336 WAS FEATURED.

CLICK BELOW TO VIEW

[HTTP://WWW.GRANDFORKSHERALD.COM/CONTENT/VOLUNTEERS-PROVIDE-GROUND-INFO-NATIONAL-WEATHER-SERVICE-STORM-WARNINGS](http://www.grandforksherald.com/content/volunteers-provide-ground-info-national-weather-service-storm-warnings)

ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER, AND MY EMAIL ADDRESS WILL BE:

439 BROWNS BRIDGE RD.

PURVIS, MISSISSIPPI 39475

TEL. (769) 456-7473

E-MAIL: MARIANOTWV@GMAIL.COM

NOT ALL OF YOU KNOW THIS, BUT MACK WAS HOSPITALIZED WED., A WEEK AGO. HE IS HOME NOW. PACKERS HAVE BEEN HERE TWO DAYS SO THINGS ARE A LITTLE INSANE. INSTEAD OF FLYING, WE WILL BE TRAVELING BACK TO MISSISSIPPI IN THE VEHICLES THAT MY NIECE, KATHY STAGG WRIGHT, AND HER HUSBAND, KEN WRIGHT, WERE GOING TO DRIVE BACK. WE WILL PLAN TO LEAVE HERE ON FRIDAY, MAY 30 AND TAKE THREE FULL DAYS TO RIDE BACK THERE WITH THEM. WE WILL SPEND THE NIGHT ALONG THE WAY. NEEDLESS TO SAY, THIS HAS BEEN A VERY BIG GLITCH BUT HOPEFULLY, MACK AND I BOTH WILL BE ABLE TO MAKE THE TRIP VIA VEHICLE. MACK IS ON OXYGEN FULL TIME AND WE WILL JUST HAVE TO FIND A GOOD CARDIOLOGIST BACK THERE ASAP. WE ASK FOR YOUR CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR ALL OF US.

MARIA NOTWV#12317

THIS WAS RECEIVED BY JIM VE 1 JIM

DEAR JIM,

I HAVE BEEN IN TEXAS VISITING MY MOM FOR THE LAST FEW DAYS. HER HEALTH HAS DECLINED SINCE MY LAST VISIT IN MARCH, AND SHE SEEMS TO BE SLIPPING AWAY FROM US. SHE WAS HOSPITALIZED AGAIN FOR 10 DAYS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH AND NOW DIAGNOSED WITH DEMENTIA AND FAILURE TO THRIVE. I AM NOT SURE HOW MUCH LONGER SHE WILL BE ABLE TO REMAIN AT HOME, AND I AM PRAYING THAT WE FIND A WAY TO AFFORD TO ALLOW HER TO GO AS COMFORTABLY AS POSSIBLE. PLEASE HAVE THE YLISSB JOIN WITH OUR FAMILY IN PRAYER FOR MY MOM, AS THE YLISSB TRULY WAS "FAMILY" TO HER.

SINCERELY,

KELLY ROGERS LEGAULT

FROM THE HISTORIAN

FOR ALMOST AS FAR BACK AS THE VERY BEGINNING OF THE YL SYSTEM, WE HAD INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS HELD IN VARIOUS CITIES AND COUNTRIES. I AM NOT SURE EXACTLY WHICH CONVENTION FIRST HAD A BOUTIQUE SET UP OR CONDUCTED AN AUCTION AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE BANQUET ON SATURDAY NIGHT, BUT IT HAS BEEN MANY YEARS. THIS YEAR IS NO EXCEPTION, AND WE ENCOURAGE AS MANY OF YOU AS POSSIBLE TO EITHER BRING ITEMS TO SELL AT THE BOUTIQUE, OR IF NOT ATTENDING, MAIL THEM TO BOBBIE, K4ZGH.

ALL OF YOU ARE AWARE THAT THE YL SYSTEM GIVES OUT AN ANNUAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP EACH YEAR, AND SOMETIMES, IF OUR COFFERS ALLOW, WE AWARD TWO OF THEM TO WORTHY APPLICANTS. THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND, FROM WHICH THE MONIES ARE DERIVED FOR THIS AWARD, IS MONEY THAT IS RECEIVED ALMOST ENTIRELY FROM YOU, OUR MEMBERS... EITHER THROUGH DONATION, OR IN LARGE PART, THE PROCEEDS RECEIVED FROM THE CONVENTION BOUTIQUE SALE AND SATURDAY NIGHT AUCTION AT THE CONVENTION. JUST WANTED YOU TO KNOW, AND LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN SARASOTA THIS MONTH!



73,
KEVIN KN4AA
YL SYSTEM HISTORIAN