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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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CONVENTION 2019

May 1 is the deadline. April 20 was the deadline to book your hotel reservations to receive the discount. May 1 is the deadline for your registrations. If you have not gotten them in, do so now!

ASSISTANT INFORMATION OFFICER

We are still looking for an assistant to help Bob, NC4RP with his position as Information Officer. If you are interested in assisting, please contact me at kl7fqq@yahoo.com.

MONTHLY AWARDS

For May, we have our Old Timers Award, 2019. Contact 30 Members with a membership number below 16,500 for this beautiful award during the month of May. Good luck!

QRM

Every once in a while, someone will unintentionally, or intentionally disrupt the System with QRM. How do we handle it? With tact and politeness. We do not attack the person, use foul language toward them, or in any other way attack them. We are known as the Friendliest group on the ham bands, and we strive to maintain that status.

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K4ICA

Memorial Call

YL System

President's Report (Cont.)

So, if you hear someone QRMing the system, it is permissible to politely ask them to QSY, explain that the System has been on the frequency for over 60 years. However, if they refuse to move, it is not permissible to chastise them in any way, especially using foul language. Our Controls are the best on the face of the earth, and we are very proud of you.

73's Rose, KL7FQQ

And a Reminder from George AA4GT and Bill W7AJP...

I will listen, and listen, and then listen again before calling. I will only call if I can copy the DX station properly.

I will not trust the DX cluster and will be sure of the DX station's call sign before calling.

I will not interfere with the DX station nor anyone calling and will never tune up on the DX frequency or in the QSX slot.

I will wait for the DX station to end a contact before I call.

I will always send my full call sign.

I will call and then listen for a reasonable interval. I will not call continuously.

I will not transmit when the DX operator calls another call sign, not mine.

I will not transmit when the DX station requests geographic areas other than mine.

When the DX operator calls me, I will not repeat my call sign unless I think he has copied it incorrectly.

I will be thankful if and when I do make a contact.

I will respect my fellow hams and conduct myself so as to earn their respect.

May Anniversaries

KX4BE Peter and Karen	K1QQA Bob and Mary
KC9VFR Chris and Ruth	AC0KV Gloria and Aaron
KC1BEP John and Beverly	N7EG Matt and Fran
KJ6YFY Tony and Gina	KX4BE Peter and Karen
KC8IKW Joe and Marie	AU1U Anthony and XYL
N9YBK Matt and Barbara	N2WHV Gary and XYL
VE1JIM Jim and Joanne	NJ5G Pat and Nancy
KB7MXT Paul and Mariellen	KD8VOX Jon and Pam
N5OKU Michael and Julie	KT4LS Lee and Katrina
N5YHM Brian and KF5EQH Bonnie	KX9KX Tom and Natalie
K5KDT Carol and OM	KD9LDD Gregory and XYL
KB0JIT Paul and Linda	WB2KUT Jack and Denise
W9JTC Jamie and Kelly	

Awards and TFOs

Congratulations to Ray Heckmaster, KB0VSN, YLISSB# 16200 for earning the Statehood Award #17097 and to Steven Bamber, VE3JPJ, YLISSB# 13148 for earning the St. Patrick Award #17096.

Keeping Up with our Members



From Rose KL7FQQ: Kathryn, KL4QZ and I had lunch at the local D&W Grill. Delicious food and excellent company.

From Bill W7AJP: Even before Joey joined the YL SYSTEM, we talked many times. He is the driver of a red Freightliner that crosses the US delivering frozen food products. On April 16, he was in Oregon and we made plans to meet.

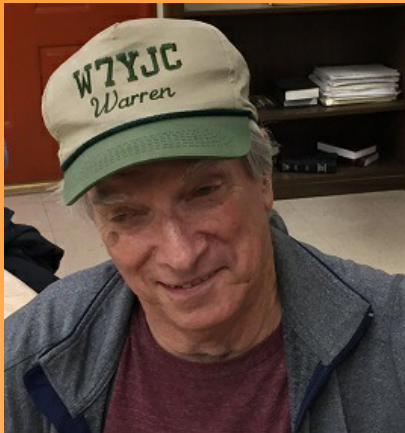


KC8IKW, Joey, pulled his emptied 18-wheeler into the Jubitz Travel Center in North Portland, and my wife, Joan and I met him for dinner. He told us of meeting with other members and asked about others. He had met KB3CRD (Mike) and AB3TY (Larry) in prior months. We showed him photos of many who attended the 2019 YLISSB Convention. It was a lot of fun.

Joey spent the night in his Freightliner, and loaded up again on Tuesday and was on his way to Southern CA...thinking who he might get to meet on the way. SO, if you hear one of our 18-wheelers heading in your direction, try to make an Eye-Ball QSO possible. It lightens the day of those who make our country function well...and brings food to our tables.

Keeping Up with our Members (Cont.)

George NV7G at the Pahrump
Amateur Radio Repeaters Assn.
meeting



Warren W7YJC also at the PARRA
meeting

The lunch group in Las Vegas:
Bob KC0USN and XYL Robin
Tom KC7KPF and Judy
KC7KPG
Cary W7CAP and XYL Denise



George AA4GT operating with
the club callsign NV4Z during
the Florida QSO Party

Silent Keys

The following YLISSB members have been noted as Silent Keys...

Alice King - AI4K - YLISSB# 12583 TFO: 276 Previous: N4DDK

John B. Walters III - WE4V - YLISSB# 10101 Previous: WB4CLE

Robert I. Goza - W0BOB - YLISSB# 11270 Previous: WB0QGR

New Members

We welcome the following new YLISSB System members...

- 17552 KD4ZOJ Les from North Carolina
- 17553 WW5NX Neil from Texas
- 17554 KI4CP Gail from South Carolina
- 17555 KL7FQR Cyndi from New Mexico
- 17556 KG5OED Sparky from Oklahoma
- 17557 NW5O Huck from Indiana
- 17558 N8GDB Sid from West Virginia
- 17559 N5DHB Big John from Louisiana
- 17560 KN4QKS Jim from North Carolina
- 17561 W4APZ Richard from South Carolina
- 17562 KG5VUG Steve from Texas
- 17563 N3UU Mark from Delaware
- 17564 KC7CJR Mike from Arizona
- 17565 KE0IFP Charles from Colorado
- 17656 KM4PT Paul from Tennessee
- 17657 WA4ZAZ Wallace from Florida
- 17658 K4OBL Steve from Florida

May Birthdays

K1RAA	WA0PFV	K3UMW
KI4NSP	WA4KSO	N7EG
KC8TDC	AE5FK	W0TDL
W0GUS	KB1RVU	KD0VBK
W4YL	WA5JDV	W4ZEE
W5CAP	KB4RDH	WQ4W
W2JV	KK4EGZ	N0JSP
KK6ABZ	KD8EVN	W1ELM
KF7KIN	W8SWT	KR5LYS
KD8KBX	W1PEF	N2RXX
2M0DDS	KJ6VVG	KB8ESY
N6JUA	K7OUO	K4NSX
KL3IH	K5PPK	KG7SNE
VE9ZZ	KB1RSE	KI4P
AB3TY	WB7VNL	KC2ATK
N3MAV	KD4EAQ	AA9BB
WY3T	KD0VEP	PJ7BK
VE3XMP	N4UOG	WA2CG
W5GQW	KB6NOX	N6RXV
Sheila XYL of	WA0AAM	KD7ATL
KD0MEO	N3BPM	KV7N
K5PCS	W9FML	KC4UBE
K4JZQ	W6BQZ	VY2DS
AC2NG	K1MLG	VE3MXJ
KC2ZWP	W3RIP	KF5DBN
AC0YX	KD8HDK	AB7HB
K9IGJ	KE6GTR	WW9H
K4DHT		KB0OU

Saving the Day

Note: The YL System does not accept any responsibility for this story. However, it has been almost dependably reported to us that the following conversation was heard on 14.332 on Wednesday morning.

“This is KG0YL, my name is Nancy, and I’m in North Dakota. I’m looking for check-ins for the YL System. Please give your call and name when you check in.”

“J0KE, Jake, Mobile”

“Joke? Or Jake? Which is it?”

“No, sorry. My call is J0KE, and my name is Jake, and I have a problem.”

“What kind of problem do you have Jake? The YL System has been on this frequency for over 60 years, and we’ve helped people solve all kinds of problems.”

“I’m currently in Purvis, MS, and I heard the Radio Club here did fox hunting. I wondered if anyone might be around that could help me. I have my gun, and a bird dog, but I don’t think he’s very good with fox. Anyway, I immediately thought of the YL System. Can you help?”

“Well, Jake, I don’t think that’s the kind of fox hunting that the radio club does. But we do have a station on the air that I’m sure can help you. Larry, AG5Z, are you there?”

“Yes, this is AG5Z. Sorry, Nancy, I was working on a piece of radio equipment, and not paying attention. Can I help you?”

“I have Jake, J0KE on the System, and he’s interested in fox hunting. Can you move him off frequency and help him?”

“Sure, he had a strong signal here, I just wasn’t listening. I’ll move him off, and tell him all about it. I’m pretty good at it. J0KE, can you copy?”

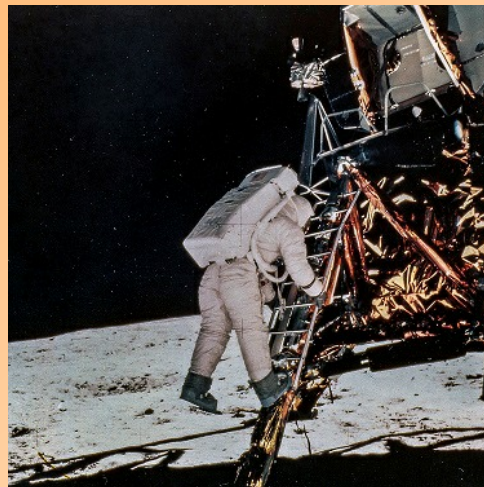
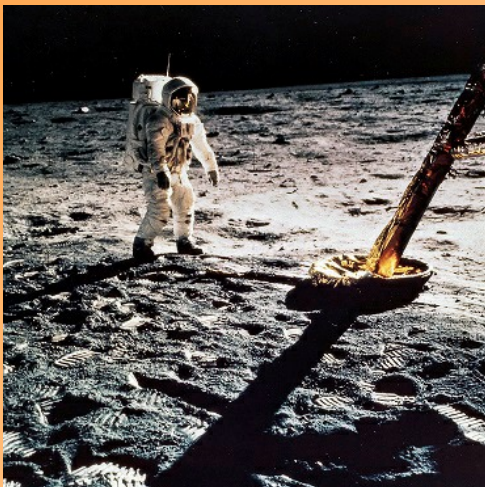
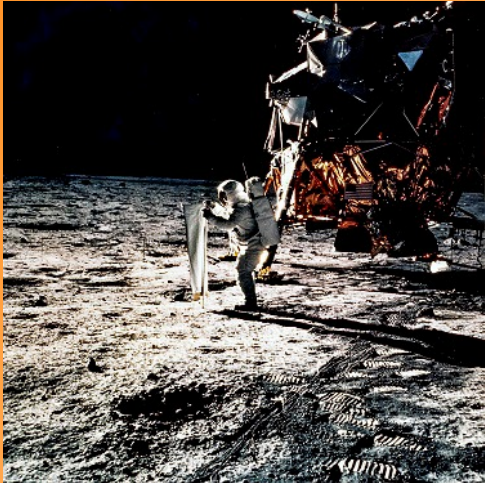
“Hi Larry, this is J0KE, and you are very loud here. Thanks for helping, and let’s slide down about 20 kc’s, O.K?”

“Sounds good, Jake. Thanks, Nancy, and I’ll be back soon. AG5Z QSYing.”

And, there you have another helpful act by members of the YL

And finally...

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 landing on the Moon. Thanks to John Ellis W5PDW for these photos of that great event.



If you have stuff you'd like to see published in The Communicator, please send it to me at jim@pandzik.com and I'll see it gets in. Thanks!

P.S. If you send photos, we'll assume we have permission to publish from BOTH the subject and the photographer. (Sorry, it's that kind of world!)