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I trust Santa filled your stocking with your heart's desire. As we welcome this new year of 2020, I hope everyone has a very fulfilling year. The System keeps growing, and the new members add a lot to it. I am proud to be a member of the YL System. Aren't you?

CONVENTION 2020

BOOK YOUR ROOM NOW, if you haven't already. The 2020 Convention will be held in Springfield, MO, from June 8 to the 12th. For reservations, call the Lamplighter Inn and Suites at 417-869-3900. Don't forget to mention that you are with the Young Ladies International Single Sideband Communications System to receive our special room rate. The Convention begins on June 8, with a meet and greet between 4 and 6 p.m. Wonderful tours have been arranged; we will have our meeting, board meeting, banquet and a most entertaining auction. Friday, Jun 12 will see our Farewell breakfast between 6 and 9 a.m. Check out the web site for more information, including the registration form. I am look forward to seeing you there.

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Memorial Call

YL System

The President's Report (Cont.)

MONTHLY AWARDS

January is our Snowy January Award. From January 1st through the 31st, contact 30 members from any State, Province, or Country that has snow on the ground at the time of the contact. See the Voice for more information.

VOICE

Our Voice editor will soon be compiling information for the 2019-2020 Voice. If you have anything you would like to see appear in the Voice, please send it to Larry AB3TY at ikdds@ptd.net.

WEBSITE

While our website had a number of glitches in the beginning, it seems to be functioning well now. If you are having any problems, contact the Webmaster! He is a genius at solving problems.

Happy New Year!

73's, Rose, KL7FQQ

Awards and TFOs

No new TFOs this month.

Congratulations to Bill Phillips W7AJP, our Treasurer, for earning the Eyeball Fellowship Award #17107.

And it's that time of year again! Current Top Flight Operators have until the end of February to vote for 2019's TFO of the Year. Send your vote to Lynn Janes at lynnjanes@ymail.com.

Silent Key

The following YLISSB member has been reported as a Silent Key...

Jon G. Tankersley – WD5HCI YLISSB: 17275

January Anniversaries

KD0MEO Dale & Sheila	N5JED Chuck & Jo Ann
W1PEF Paul & Joy	W5DBL Larry & XYL
WW1SS Steven & Joy	K5PCS Roger & Sherry
KB1FGF Woody & Anita	KI5BYN Ray & Gina
KD2HRN Ron & Linda	W6NWF Viv & KI6SBL Rob
N2OKA Candy & Bill	AI6KO Jay & Fran
W2EO Bill & Kathleen	KD6ZKC John & Marlene
WR3V Rich & Renee	N6DMP Donald & Michelle
K3LI Rich & Day	W6VY Bob & Marjorie
KK4CII Bo & XYL	K7ZNO John & Peggy
KM4TTT Jim & Sara	WL7SO John & Julie
W4LLY Jim & Julie	KE8GII David & Sheila
W4GJR Gregory & XYL	K8RJT Roger & Nancy
KJ4YDI Dale & Lynn	K9EXY Rick & Rita
AG5GP Shelby & Kim	KB9GFX Doc & Lori
KE5ZQV Jody & Donna	N9WAS Doc Denny & XYL

New Members

17674 N0GRZ Grizz from Missouri
17675 KE0TZV Spence from Colorado
17676 KF2HP Dan from Kentucky
17677 KI5BYN Ray from Oklahoma
17678 AC7KN Kevin from Arizona
17679 NB6M Wayne from Washington
17680 W7SKM Sandra from Washington
17681 K4TER Katie from Virginia
17682 KA0KAE Kevin from Minnesota
17683 N5TIT Jeffrey from Texas

...and see *more* new members on Page 4!!!

Even more New Members

17684	KK6AKH	Ted from California
17685	K0BUL	Tom from Colorado
17686	W1DRD	Dino from Indiana
17687	K5LJB	Joe from Texas
17688	W7BO	JJ from Washington
17689	WX7MRI	Jerry from Nevada
17690	W9VCM	Rusty from Wisconsin
17691	N9SUE	Sue from Wisconsin
17692	W3TTT	Joe from Massachusetts
17693	KD2QYA	Donald from New York
17694	W0OWE	Russell from Missouri
17695	KR1SS	Kristyn from Arizona
17696	WW0JM	Jay from Missouri
17697	KO3US	Brian from Florida
17698	KN4MUF	Gene from Alabama
17699	KI7PTY	Lee from Arizona

January Birthdays

N0UOD	VE1QT	NY4JB	KI6GCI
N0EFV	KU1V	W4DRB	K6INS
KD0PTM	WK2RP	N4KQ	AI6NJ
W0JFM	W2PJR	W4AAX	KK6TXN
K0PZN	WA2GFK	K4SHA	KF7URV
K0IC	K2WEK	K4JRB	KI7IIM
KD0PBZ	KC2ZFO	KE5ES	AC7QM
KD0UAG	VE2MXU	K5GEB	KG7WLX
W0LFV	K2POW	KV5S	K7MO
N0GNY	K3VAN	KM5OA	KC7KPF
K0CE	VE3EQV	VE5JLO	K7UWD
KC0ECK	KB3SEL	KF5V	N7HHC
WA0LSS	KB3HBQ	AG5DT	K7MOJ
K0HHZ	N3RF	W5WEE	K7CCZ
W0AAS	KK4HM	VE5RH	KA7UOR
KE0NXW	KI4TXP	ND5G	VE7ZDL
K0THP	NC4MI	KD5SXH	K8NQC
KB0TFK	KK4SGX	N5GED	K8UOU
WA0BEU	K4ADY	KI5EGG	K8MPW
W1FGN	VE4DS	K5DTD	KC8SSK
K1HIF	KG4EYG	W5DTB	K8JGG
K1GND	KM4KNV	KB5ZFC	N8APP
W1NRX	KI4IRH	AF5VH	KE8IYS
KA1EPT	K4DMW	KC5RXR	W8RES
N1DL	KK4WYN	W5TDN	KC8DQG
ZL1ALE	KA4WGW	K5TMN	W8BF
KA1ULN	K4TJO	K6AJY	KD8EFM
W1KNF	KM4NRY	K6BHH	W8TOG
	KM4MOE	AI6NJ	VE9RMD
	KC4OHL	VA6HLL	KC9WDS
	KI4NCP	KK6XR	KD9CWR
	KK4FYV	AA6TJ	WA9SHR
	AG4KN		

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 one Wednesday morning.

“This is Alpha Alpha 4 Golf Tango, I’m located in Naples, Florida, and this is the YL System. I am now taking check ins for the Sunrise portion of the YL System. Please give your call phonetically and state your name.”

“This is JOKE, Mobile. How you doing George?”

“JOKE, like in joke? And, I’m doing much better than I was a month ago, how about you, Joke?”

“Well, my name is Jake. And, I have a problem. I had this fancy new camera, and I’m trying to get it set up so I can take a picture of the last full moon of the decade, and it is not cooperating. I wondered if anyone could help me?”

“First of all, Jake, where are you?”

“I’m just outside a little town in Oklahoma, called Ponca City. And, that moon is not going to stick around forever! Any help would be appreciated.”

“I think we are going to be able to help you, Jake. AG5GP just checked in, and Shelby happens to live in Ponca City. Besides, I think he is a photographer, so if anyone can help you, it’s Shelby. Hang on and I’ll give him a call. AG5GP, are you there?”

“Yes, George, I’m here, and I’m copying Jake quite well. If he’ll meet me at the Pioneer Woman’s Museum at 701 Monument Road, I’m sure I can fix his camera problem. JOKE, can you copy?”

Saving the Day (Cont.)

“AG5GP, I am copying you well. This looks like a neat old town, and I’m sure I can find the museum. And, thanks for volunteering to help me.”

“Yes, Jake, this is a neat town. It was founded in 1893 and has been a going concern ever since. Anyway, 73’s, and I’ll see you soon. You can recognize my pickup by all the antenna’s, and I’m in the parking lot.”

“Thanks so much, Shelby, see you soon. And, George, I’m glad you are doing better, and I hope to check in with you again real soon. Thanks so much.”

“This is AA4GT, and Shelby and Jake, good luck. I’m looking for more check-ins.”

There you have another daring rescue provided by members of the YL System. Of course, we have no update as to the effectiveness of the rescue, but the YL System stands ready to aid one and all in their darkest hour.

Astronomical Note

If you’re out and about on New Year’s Eve, keep an eye out for one of the coolest astronomical events. In the Northern Hemisphere, and at exactly midnight per your local time zone, the Dog Star Sirius (the brightest star in the heavens) will be exactly overhead, at its highest elevation of the year! Cool, huh? And you can always find Sirius ‘cuz Orion’s Belt always points to it. Enjoy!

Keeping Up with our Members

From Judy KC7KPG...

Here are some photos of the Christmas Parade at Senator Wash where many of the YL System members are camped for the winter.



Here are Tom KC7KPF, Bill WQ4W, and James KB7TBT in front of James' vehicle.

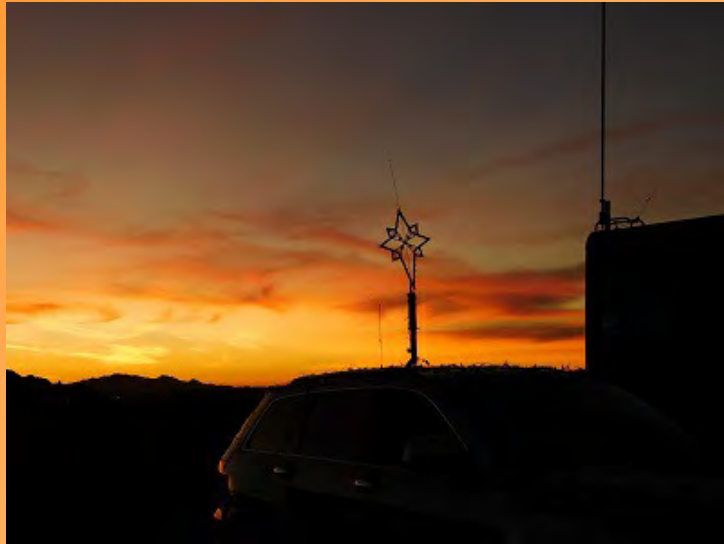
Getting ready for the big parade.



And here are some of the parade vehicles.

Keeping Up with Judy KC7KPG (Cont.)

The Jeep with the Star on the top belongs to Tom KC7KPF and Judy KC7KPG. The Star is attached to their small Tarheel antenna.



The Christmas parade starts 5 days before Christmas and goes each night in sections of the large BLM area for long term camping. The last parade is Christmas Eve and it is really fun!



And finally, a shot of the Omen Sunrise, which is just really pretty!

Thanks, Judy!

“Nelly Points” for December 2019

From the first of December through Christmas Eve I've kept track of all the checkins on the various YLISSB sessions. (Saint Nick isn't the only one making a list and checking it twice!)

Why?

Well, to recognize those folks that are the backbone of the YLISSB System - the ones who show up and checkin, and to encourage everyone to do the same. From my stint as a Net Controller, I can tell you that there is nothing worse than calling and calling and not getting a checkin. So here's to you guys and gals... the ones who show up.

Our leader in Nelly Points (as in NetLogger Points) is far and away Art Dunn W7TOA with 111 checkins. Here's the list...

W7TOA -> 111	K7OUO -> 35	K2DJL -> 26	K4KRK -> 20
KM4TTT -> 88	W7AJP -> 35	W0IW -> 26	K3EDP -> 19
VE3JPJ -> 80	N0PMQ -> 34	N3VMD -> 25	VA7JSF -> 19
KX7KX -> 77	KX9KX -> 33	N8ZVB -> 24	W8BF -> 19
N5IAC -> 73	WB7BKM -> 32	KD9FJU -> 24	NF2J -> 18
W5PDW -> 72	KE7VSC -> 32	WA2WAP -> 22	AG5Z -> 18
KB4SGA -> 71	KD0USN -> 31	WW1SS -> 22	NY4JB -> 18
KN4QKS -> 70	KF6JKC -> 31	KG5RMY -> 22	KE5PTO -> 18
K5SSL -> 64	WD7ALE -> 30	W7QHZ -> 22	KN4UBV -> 17
KL7WG -> 57	N0REH -> 30	AC2BX -> 21	KC2LXD -> 17
KD0VEP -> 54	N1PVT -> 29	KZ7I -> 21	K0CE -> 17
AB3TY -> 52	N3MAV -> 29	N9QAP -> 21	KI4NSP -> 17
N5DHB -> 49	K8ULT -> 28	KF5FSK -> 20	KZ2W -> 17
KK4AED -> 45	KJ7CPC -> 28	VE9GU -> 20	W0TLR -> 17
KB3CRD -> 43			
N5LEC -> 43			
KG4RJU -> 42			
W0UXO -> 42			
NC4RP -> 40			
K3ILA -> 40			
AD5UJ -> 40			
AF5VH -> 40			
KC1MR -> 38			
KC9YOF -> 36			
KG5FRR -> 35			

Nellie Points for December 1 thru 24 (Cont.)

K9TXJ -> 17	WA7BHC -> 14	K2BXG -> 10	KB0CH -> 8
KD0RHK -> 17	N5KB -> 14	KC2BLF -> 10	AD0PE -> 8
N5QYX -> 17	K0ZAR -> 14	KO3US -> 10	K1LFD -> 8
N9OV -> 16	KA0IDH -> 13	W1KNF -> 10	K9ICP -> 8
KK6XR -> 16	KA0KAE -> 13	K1IAG -> 10	WA5RRT -> 8
KI0JG -> 16	NW5O -> 12	K2LAX -> 10	K9YPM -> 8
AG5GP -> 15	AA1XD -> 12	KD0PTM -> 10	W5HV -> 8
KC2ICX -> 15	W0LFV -> 12	KD9MLG -> 10	W4LLY -> 8
W5HEH -> 15	KD9NTN -> 12	KH6CB -> 10	W6HB -> 8
KD4EAQ -> 15	KN4UCN -> 12	KI5BYN -> 9	K8OLD -> 8
VE4PH -> 15	VA4YL -> 12	K0PIR -> 9	KA1EPT -> 8
N0ESJ -> 15	W0BET -> 11	KD8JOX -> 9	W3TTT -> 8
W5WJN -> 14	W5MLM -> 11	K0DDS -> 9	W1DGG -> 7
KB4CAU -> 14	KE7JBK -> 11	KC4UZT -> 9	VE6KJM -> 7
KC8OYD -> 14	N3OHI -> 11	KE0BEE -> 9	N1IEJ -> 7
W2DJG -> 14	KC2TFX -> 11	K6AA -> 9	WA0ILD -> 7
KE9PK -> 14	W1DRD -> 11	KL7LS -> 8	KI6EAB -> 7
KF7WMM -> 14	NW9A -> 11	K1MT -> 8	W6MEI -> 7
K4DMW -> 14	K5RST -> 11	KE6ZLY -> 8	N2OMD -> 7
AC0VB -> 14	KK4SGX -> 10	KK4DYI -> 8	KG4GTR -> 7
K4DXM -> 14	W1IZZ -> 10	KG4ZXC -> 8	W5DBL -> 7
W6SWC -> 14	KF2HP -> 10	KR0ARK -> 8	AC0KV -> 7

Nellie Points for December 1 thru 24 (Cont.)

KL4AD -> 7	W0AAS -> 6	KA4WGW -> 5	KC5SAM -> 4
KC7MYN -> 7	N5ARM -> 6	KB0TTC -> 5	KB1RVU -> 4
AD0GD -> 6	KB0JGA -> 6	NV5D -> 5	WA5SWT -> 4
K1NIK -> 6	KG0SY -> 6	KI7IIM -> 5	K4VRP -> 4
KD9ILC -> 6	K0YL -> 6	W8AAL -> 5	KM4WMC -> 4
KF5QWV -> 6	KD4WKP -> 6	K3VRU -> 5	VE4CCC -> 4
NV7G -> 6	KA3MKY -> 6	AG5WY -> 5	K9NHP -> 4
KE5IRJ -> 6	W7YJC -> 6	N5JED -> 5	K8UOU -> 4
AB0O -> 6	N1XY -> 6	KM4YUA -> 5	KW5EBB -> 4
WK8Y -> 6	KC5VGD -> 6	W9VCM -> 5	W7ARZ -> 4
KE7MP -> 6	W0OWE -> 6	KG5RXE -> 5	K0FCL -> 4
VA7DV -> 6	W7BO -> 6	W4LDO -> 5	KB7TBT -> 4
N3BPM -> 6	KG5KIC -> 6	KG5YZA -> 5	KE0DSV -> 4
K5DTT -> 6	KJ7BJZ -> 6	KL7FQQ -> 5	KA8IEC -> 4
K7OTP -> 6	K4WBG -> 6	KP4EYT -> 5	KB2CDX -> 4
N9QA -> 6	W0AES -> 6	KM4WNK -> 5	N4UVC -> 4
N0TMU -> 6	KD0ETC -> 5	VE4WSC -> 5	K6ZNL -> 4
WB4FWQ -> 6	KI7FGZ -> 5	KK4GVM -> 5	N1HAR -> 4
VE3ZDT -> 6	N5YIC -> 5	WA0PTZ -> 5	W8RCL -> 4
W4CT -> 6	K9VJR -> 5	KC8ZWP -> 5	KD0ZPR -> 4
KI4OCV -> 6	N1SAG -> 5	NI9NE -> 4	KL7HRO -> 4
VE4ACM -> 6	KI7PPE -> 5	KG4BKE -> 4	KC7KPG -> 4

Nellie Points for December 1 thru 24 (Cont.)

KG8QY -> 4	HP3EFS -> 4	KI5CHB -> 3	WA9SUG -> 3
W4EPF -> 4	KB8WTA -> 4	K0RGE -> 3	KA1KSN -> 3
KI4FSZ -> 4	KD4GEH -> 4	W6RO -> 3	WA9I -> 3
NL7RY -> 4	W7GMF -> 4	KK6AKH -> 3	AK2G -> 3
K3MSG -> 4	KB1FGF -> 3	N9PTU -> 3	KB5NEJ -> 3
KB7MXT -> 4	KI4OOI -> 3	N4WBC -> 3	KE0EKS -> 3
K5YZE -> 4	W4KIN -> 3	N0SLJ -> 3	WB2ANJ -> 3
K3ZCY -> 4	N3TFS -> 3	N4RQO -> 3	K1EAR -> 3
KN4KL -> 4	HP4RWE -> 3	KC8IKW -> 3	KC2VPE -> 3
W0MTM -> 4	N0DPR -> 3	VE4GWS -> 3	KE7CHX -> 3
KB9WLF -> 4	KN4JUP -> 3	KA1FSN -> 3	KD0HDM -> 3
K5DTD -> 4	WA3LCO -> 3	K4GVH -> 3	KD2BDA -> 3
N0GRZ -> 4	6Y5WE -> 3	VE7CQE -> 3	WA0BJY -> 3
NL7D -> 4	VA1WAB -> 3	KD0MOM -> 3	NZ2S -> 3
KE8ILK -> 4	KH6RC -> 3	KE5GFJ -> 3	N7UWD -> 3
KG5ILP -> 4	NE0DB -> 3	AK3B -> 3	KC2KJO -> 3
KA4BKA -> 4	WA3EOP -> 3	KV5S -> 3	KD0WGB -> 3
VE2XMP -> 4	VA7BDG -> 3	WW5NX -> 3	K5TLL -> 3
KE0RYF -> 4	K1GNP -> 3	KD0SVZ -> 3	KD4GUB -> 3
K0PTK -> 4	KD8MGT -> 3	KM4IAF -> 3	KC3GIO -> 3
N1BJZ -> 4	NI0A -> 3	W9HVV -> 3	W7PRG -> 3
KE7EZJ -> 4	KE4SFI -> 3	K3QID -> 3	K4PJS -> 3

Nellie Points for December 1 thru 24 (Cont.)

KA6LSL -> 2	WB3CGH -> 2	AG7WO -> 2	K0QLT -> 2
VE6FW -> 2	WE4JL -> 2	KC1AIH -> 2	KD9ADB -> 2
KA1HB -> 2	KN4BDV -> 2	8P5AA -> 2	KI5CRG -> 2
N0ARN -> 2	KC1LYW -> 2	AA5KR -> 2	KB8PSG -> 2
K0RDP -> 2	K5RIG -> 2	MM0TDS -> 2	KI4TXP -> 2
KX4FX -> 2	KB3WBE -> 2	KA9OUT -> 2	K6INS -> 2
VA3YKT -> 2	KB0SLF -> 2	KF9VA -> 2	KG7LXA -> 2
KE0TUB -> 2	N1LJD -> 2	WB0OAF -> 2	K0VAC -> 2
N1EDN -> 2	K5SFC -> 2	N5OKU -> 2	K4SSK -> 2
K4SAC -> 2	KC9VYX -> 2	AF5SB -> 2	KH6II -> 2
VE6RNE -> 2	N2HEH -> 2	W4ADC -> 2	N7HHC -> 2
W1EOY -> 2	KC2WYU -> 2	K5ESF -> 2	KF1H -> 2
WE5GNF -> 2	KC1KCE -> 2	NQ2B -> 2	K0TWB -> 2
KB2LZ -> 2	WD0GTM -> 2	KA4BTA -> 2	VA7BDT -> 2
KA3UIF -> 2	KG4RFZ -> 2	KG5HZU -> 2	K4CWQ -> 2
K4ZEE -> 2	K0BDL -> 2	WA1QZX -> 2	VE6HSH -> 2
W8XDX -> 2	WO8L -> 2	W5GGO -> 2	KB1CSI -> 2
KA3JSD -> 2	W6UBX -> 2	KB7USA -> 2	W9REL -> 2
AG5OU -> 2	N7OBN -> 2	K2WEK -> 2	KF5NTG -> 2
KB9NPD -> 2	NT8P -> 2	W5SLS -> 2	KW1HF -> 2
KD9NUB -> 2	WB7VNL -> 2	KB4CO -> 2	KN4WGC -> 2
KE8IYS -> 2	K4LL -> 2	KF7SIO -> 2	KT4AN -> 2

Nellie Points for December 1 thru 24 (Cont.)

N7NHM -> 2	WQ4W -> 2	K4QQG -> 2	KF7HMS -> 2
W1FGN -> 2	KE0JNC -> 2	N0DFP -> 2	KI5WK -> 2
K3DCC -> 2	KD8PYY -> 2	W9WBA -> 2	KC9KZ -> 2
KD2RMD -> 2	WB9SGK -> 2	WD4RBX -> 2	KG5WDM -> 2
W6LXR -> 2	NY4DM -> 2	KC1GWM -> 2	N3RZU -> 2
KC0ELC -> 2	KG5OED -> 2	KM6VXX -> 2	N6VXM -> 2
KG5HBX -> 2	W4TLZ -> 2	KC6HNK -> 2	KD2JH -> 2
K9ARM -> 2	KG7GKI -> 2	W5DC -> 2	WY6T -> 2
W4YL -> 2	W4KEF -> 2	W7WOO -> 2	VE5GIJ -> 2
N0VPN -> 2	WJ9E -> 2	KD0SVH -> 2	K5WTS -> 2
KE0IGK -> 2	AA7AV -> 2	K6ETA -> 2	K4JAL -> 2
KC4OLH -> 2	N8GDB -> 2	KD2QPP -> 2	N0VQ -> 1
AC7KN -> 2	WX5KW -> 2	K7NKL -> 2	...and a whole
K5TMN -> 2	KD2QKU -> 2	KC3OEP -> 2	bunch of
KB1K -> 2	K3LI -> 2	K3SEW -> 2	others who
KC2ATK -> 2	K4TER -> 2	KE0TZV -> 2	only checked
K0TXT -> 2	KG5OFV -> 2	KE0OHF -> 2	in once. The
N5TIT -> 2	KM4GBM -> 2	KI5BUA -> 2	list would be
WB8PMD -> 2	KE0OGD -> 2	KL7IZH -> 2	over twice as
KI5BOM -> 2	KV6ARM -> 2	KG4YNI -> 2	long! Wow!
W5AJO -> 2	WA9SHR -> 2	NJ1G -> 2	
KC2Q -> 2	KI6EAY -> 2	KB6DRB -> 2	

And finally...

(I don't know why the first column of Nelly Pointers was so squished up. I'm still learning how "PagePlus X9" the program we build The Communicator on works. Sorry!)

The point of all this is to see just how many of us there are in the YLISSB System who call in and check in. With propagation problems and all, there's still a lot to be said for showing up and checking in!

I hope you all had a great holiday season. I'm grateful that I did. See you all next month.

73, KE9PK (In the 14's on the list, but doing better next month!)



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!)

P.P.S. And please send captions to photos with names and/or callsigns! I probably know your voice from the system, but not your face!