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# COMMUNICATOR

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**December 2022**

Anne KC3EYB and I hope you had a blessed Thanksgiving and wish you a great holiday season. It is hard to believe that the end of the year is on the horizon.

### **SUPER AWARD**

We have been hinting about the Super Award. The Super Award will debut on January 1 2023. The winner of the Super Award will receive a gift card valued at \$1000 to one of the large amateur radio suppliers. Participants must complete 11 of both the Special Days and Monthly Awards. That is a total of 22 awards out of 24 to allow for band conditions and vacations. Complete rules and submission requirements will be on the website. Board members, the Awards Committee, and Controls will not be allowed to participate to keep the playing field level.

### **Health and Welfare**

We consider the YL System as one big family. Occasionally, one of our members is not heard for considerable lengths of time. If you know of a member who has gone missing, please send me an email to [lkddslkdds@gmail.com](mailto:lkddslkdds@gmail.com) and we will try to make contact.

## AWARDS AND TFOs

November had no TFOs or Awards

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT (cont'd)

The YL System Young Hams session runs every Saturday at 2000z (3pm EST) We appreciate your support for our young hams. If you know a young ham that would like to join our group, please contact me at [lkddslkdds@gmail.com](mailto:lkddslkdds@gmail.com)

### **Special Day and Monthly Awards**

Special Day-- **December 6 –SANTA AWARD** Contact ten (10) members to spell Santa Claus using any letters from the call sign suffix and first name as it is shown on Netlogger. One contact for each letter. The contacts used for the Santa Award **cannot** be used on that day for the SANTA MONTHLY AWARD. K4ICA will count as one (1) contact.

Monthly Award—**DECEMBER SANTA AWARD** Contact 25 members with a membership number ending in a 2 or a 5.

Please submit your Award Applications to our Awards Managers:  
Lynn N0PMQ [lynnjanes@ymail.com](mailto:lynnjanes@ymail.com)  
Elsie N0ESJ [elsiejanes@yahoo.com](mailto:elsiejanes@yahoo.com)

### **Attention TFO Holders**

You are eligible to vote for a deserving member, one who demonstrates above average operating skills in order for them to be awarded a TFO number after accruing 10 votes. The nominee must be current on their dues. The list of current members is on the website. You can vote for 12 members per year. Remember the feeling you had when notified you were a TFO recipient. Your participation is needed to extend that experience to another member.

In addition, your vote is needed to crown the TFO Of the Year. Please send in your vote by December 23. The lists of current TFOs and TFO Of The Years are on the website. The TFO

Of The Year is a once in a lifetime award. Hence, do not submit a TFO Of The Year Vote for a TFO who has already won the award. The TFO of The Year will be announced on the Sunday Moonbeam Warriors, January 1, 2023.

Please send your votes to be recorded by our Awards Managers  
Lynn N0PMQ [lynnjanes@ymail.com](mailto:lynnjanes@ymail.com)  
Elsie N0ESJ [elsiejanes@yahoo.com](mailto:elsiejanes@yahoo.com)

### **The YL SYSTEM**

Please remember, we are a System, not a net. For nearly 60 years, we have been known as the YL SYSTEM. It is in our DNA. The use of the term "net" is VERBOTEN !!

### **Treasurer's Monthly Report**

The Treasurer's Monthly report is now available on the website under Club Documents.

### **Netlogger**

If you change your callsign and wish to make the change on Netlogger, your new callsign must first appear on QRZ **before** sending the request to Art W7TOA at [w7toa@aol.com](mailto:w7toa@aol.com) our Netlogger Coordinator.

As always, I appreciate your commitment to the System.

73.

Larry AB3TY



**DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

KD0USN Bob & Robin	KE5AHE Charlie & Pam	W7OUN Billy & Cheryl
W0AAS Ted & Debbie	KI5CEA Mario & Spouse	W7JBM Joe & Spouse
KD0WGB Don & Betty	KI5DXY Dennis & Spouse	N8APP Greg & Debbie
K0BUL Tom & Spouse	KG5SER Paul & Sue	K8AGC Debbie & Greg
KB0MLP Patrick & Spouse	N5SP Sam & Regina	KB8EDX Larry & Joyce
N0QAU Joe & N0QAV Kim	K5LJB Joe & Carole	KN6ODD Jim & Debbie
W1IZZ Wes & Pam	KI5GLN Bill & Spouse	KI5GYF Mac & Spouse
KC2ICX Carl & Catherine	KI5KKV Becky & Doug	N0LTT James & Cheri
KF2D Jeff & Vicki	WA5QEC Jim & Spouse	KI5UAF Terry & Spouse
KD2QKU Steven & Helen	W5ZM Pascal & Spouse	W5ABI Joe & Carol
KB3OYC Dan & Sharon	WB5WTF Ruben & Robyn	KF4TLO Don & KF4UIY Sandy
N3FMO Harry & Patricia	W5NF Jim & Jenny	W0JWB Jim & Pam
KC3JUD Perry & March	NA6BN Dick & Spouse	WA3DQH Larry & Flo
WW3HAM Bill & Spouse	N6OUP Gerry & Spouse	AB5I Greg & Spouse
KC3RAZ Frank & Donna	A16NJ Mike & Sue	K7QH Dana & Debbi
AA4MR Mary & Peter	KM6VXX Chuck & Patty	AA7KJ Steve & Spouse
W4CT Ben & W4YL Susan	W7ARZ Bill & Judy	W5ISH Russ & Debbie
KM4PT Paul & Sally	AL7F Mike & Patricia	KO4IEG Bob & Spouse
W4WAV John & Janet	KF7PVK Bob & Spouse	KN6NQH Richard & Spouse
KA4WGW JC & Sarah	NH7AR Don & Linda	KO4ZHL Andrei & Spouse
WP4JD Juan & Marianela	N7IHB Joe & Cody	N4YXC John & KD4DSG Kathryn
N4BNO Rod & Peggy	K7RPD Robert & Donna	W5PPX Jon & Teri
KK4EYU Lee & Christine	AC7KN Kevin & Deborah	KI5UAL Kermit & Spouse
K4XRT Dave & Spouse	KJ7LTE Joe & Sabine	AA4HC Reina & Spouse
WA5JDV Carl & Pat	KI7PLU John & Joanie	

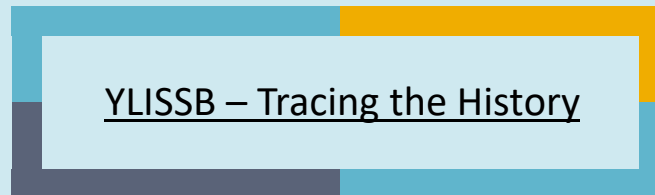
If I missed your anniversary, please let me know at  
[i.am.k9sun.shine@gmail.com](mailto:i.am.k9sun.shine@gmail.com)



## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

KD0WGB	KD2Q	KG5UBD	N7MCH	K9TXJ	N7GRC
N0QAU	KC2CZK	W5RRW	KB7MXT	KD9AMP	N2EWS
AC0KV	KD2GUT	K5RST	KC7MYN	KC9YOF	KN4STX
AB0H	VE3JPJ	N5WQ	KJ7CPC	WS9F	WD0J
AE0GU	W3ZR	K5IGB	KL7FQR	KD9HAV	W4CBH
NE0DB	KC3JUD	WA5TQB	KX7KX	W9ADT	N5ZHB
KE0A	N3VMD	KI5FIT	WB7RWS	KC1NLX	KN6TUX
N0PMQ	KC3PXC	N3DME	KI7SJC	KF4TLO	AA4BD
KE0CLN	KB3PET	NT5M	KF7PVK	KC1MR	N9EDB
K0KER	KC3NCS	W6NWF	K7TTI	W0BET	W8MSB
N0TZQ	W4JMJ	N6LBR	K7HRT	W0JWB	W8AP
N0DNY	KM4YUA	K6HP	W7SKM	KJ7UMY	AA4HC
K0HIH	KL4QZ	WA6JBI	W7MIN	N6FRX	W4MBR
KF0BQV	KM4DPW	KI6SBL	KJ7LTE	K0AID	
KE0HJP	KN4DXH	KJ6YFY	WR7FT	WB5THT	
K0VQ	KI4URN	N6DMP	N7NEA	KK7AAG	
KB1CSI	N4IUF	KH6G	N8ADB	KB5MC	
JA1CG	K4RRC	N6BHS	W8WSL	N8EGZ	
AA3SS	KZ4RA	K6AAI	K8ULT	KD9TMO	
N1JCW	KF4YI	WB6NFU	KD8UJG	W0QPR	
AA1XD	KG4CRY	NA6BN	WV8VRC	KE5CPA	
KB1TUY	W5VTM	KN6JPZ	NZ8P	AE5KI	
W1AJM	W5TXJ	KG6MTC	KD8SGA	WW4RX	
N1IEX	KB5LYR	KN6NOE	W8CFI	KC1NLX	
KC1MDI	K5WIL	KN6KWG	N8ISS	AG5YU	

If I missed your birthday, please let me know at  
[i.am.k9sun.shine@gmail.com](mailto:i.am.k9sun.shine@gmail.com)



(Summarized by Bruce J. Tisdale – K9ICP – YLISSB Historian)

This month, I will continue to highlight several individuals who have been members of the YLISSB for an extended period of time and who continue to check-in with us. These reviews will offer a little bit about them based on our records and their personal recollections regarding their early membership experience. As previously mentioned, these reviews are not in any order of membership date or other criteria except that they all have early System number (below 9,000).

**Douglas Dowls (W6HB-#8099):** Doug has been a licensed ham since 1962. He enjoys chasing DX, rag chewing and is active on 80 through 2 meters. He also has operated as a DX station in the South Cook Islands with the call E51DLD. His original call was WB6ROH. Doug was in the Army Signal Corp early on and later used his experience and training as a contractor for the military. His radio knowledge allowed him to have his own electronics business in support of aircraft and ship radio communication systems.

Currently Doug is the President and co-founder of the Battleship Iowa Amateur Radio Association (BIARA) and National Museum of the surface Navy in San Pedro, California. Their call sign is NI6BB.

Doug's early involvement with the YLISSB was primarily due to his DX experience and capabilities. He was involved in hosting one of the early conventions in California. Doug noted that he never personally met V.Mayree. However, he was very impressed with organization and operating skills of the early YL leadership.

**Dale Darling (W9WBA-#4074):** Dale lives in Tennessee. Dale's ham radio roots were acquired through his father who was licensed in 1912. He indicated that he became a licensed ham at the age of 10 years old and has been hamming for over 70 years. His current call sign belonged to his father. Dale's wife and son are also hams.

Dale's involvement with the Army MARS operations was how he got linked to the YL System group. He did have the opportunity to meet V. Mayree in Florida and described her as a beautiful lady who loved everyone. He also attended one of the early System conventions at Sugarloaf in 1985. Dale noted that he has checked-in regularly since the early 1970s. He recalls that Jda was frequently the control operator he contacted. He remembers that she never liked died air in operations and kept things continuously moving during her sessions.

Dale is currently very involved in emergency communications. He has been involved in ARES for over 45 years including over 126 active tornados in the mid-west area (notably the famous Xenia, Ohio tornado in 1974).

To be continued next month ...

# Welcome

## NEW MEMBERS

KC8FOS Elaine OH	KD5EFW Emanuel NM	KE8VLX Evan MI
KC7UXM Craig TX	KB0WCY Richard MO	AJ5S Kenneth MS
KI5TUE Kare TX	KI7DOJ Frank AZ	KC5DNW Cheryl MS
KE8UWD Bruce MI	W8DCR David OH	KD9DST Patrick IL
KF4SIR Dale FL	KI7CIM Eric AR	K5VCZ Vince TX
KT4ET Bruce NM	KA4LRQ David FL	KE8GML Steven OH
KI5SML Sidney TX	KF0GYG Richard MN	WB0JEN Michael MO
KK4URS Ray AL	W1DAQ David RI	KA0MOZ Arlene MO
KI5YYZ John AR	W4FVB Frederick AL	KB1JDN Sally ME
K1EDP Richard NH	W8MSB Marianne AL	W4MBR Marybeth FL
KF0JNE Dylan MI	KJ7CXL Eric WA	KB1ZNK Susan VT
N5WGA Wallace OK	W8AP James OK	KD8IES Jill SD
N3DXR John PA	KD5ILH Delbert CO	AA4HC Reina FL
KK6MRN Timothy AR	W4GTS Gary TN	
KW9Q Douglas IL	K6IWA Robert CA	

## SILENT KEYS

I regret to inform you that the following members have risen to Silent Key status:

Donald T. Elder – KC5VD – YLISSB:11437  
Sandy M. Muirhead-Gould – K8FUN – YLISSB:11437  
John M. Maus – W0MBD – YLISSB:5468

Respectfully,  
Jim Pandzik KE9PK

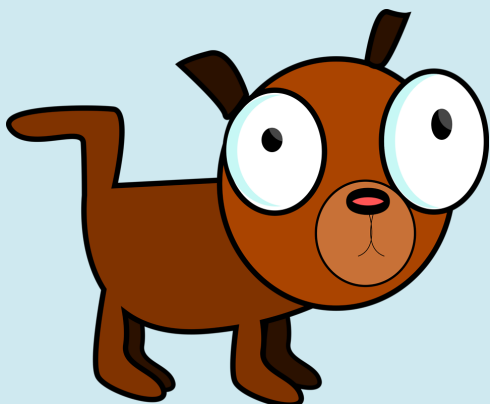


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Did you complete the  
**NOVEMBER LIBERTY AWARD?**  
Make sure to send your  
qualifying QSO's to our  
contest coordinators.



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Find more information in the President's Report or on our website.  
USPS Mail your payment and qualifying QSO's to:  
Lynn Janes, N0PMQ or Elsie Janes N0ESJ  
7415 S 525 Road  
El Dorado Springs, MO 64744  
awards@ylsystem.org  
As of July 9, 2022, there will no longer be a \$5 fee to participate in any Monthly or Special Day award. It is Board's hope that this change will spur your involvement in the Awards program.



If you have information or ideas for topics you'd like to see published in The Communicator, please send it to me, Wendy K9SUN, YLISSB: 18162 at i.am.K9SUN.shine@gmail.com and I'll see it gets in. Thanks!

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

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