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BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Report of the Board of Directors

Happy Holidays from your Board of Directors! The bands have been busy and we are getting a steady stream of new members. A sincere "thank you" goes to the coordinators and controls for extending the hospitality it takes to sustain our system.

The Board has stayed busy revising our Policies and Procedures, the Nominating Committee under the direction of Fred, KOCE is preparing the slate of officer candidates, and Finances are solid moving toward the end of the year.

Thank you for your continued support of the YLSYSTEM!

On behalf of the Board,

MAC

AF4PS

#18393, TFO #611

System Secretary and President Pro Tem.

AWARDS AND TFOs

No November
awards or TFOs



DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

AA4HC Reina & Spouse	KI5CEA Mario & Spouse	NA6BN Dick & Spouse
AA4MR Mary & Peter	KI5DXY Dennis & Spouse	NH7AR Don & Linda
AA7KJ Steve & Spouse	KI5GLN Bill & Spouse	WOAAS Ted & Debbie
AB5I Greg & Spouse	KI5GYF Mac & Spouse	WOFLT David & Spouse
AC7KN Kevin & Deborah	KI5KKV Becky & Doug	WOJWB Jim & Pam
AI6NJ Mike & Sue	KI5UAF Terry & Spouse	W1IZZ Wes & Pam
AL7F Mike & Patricia	KI5UAL Kermit & Spouse	W4CT Ben & W4YL Susan
KOBUL Tom & Spouse	KI5ZLF Jeffrey & Sandy	W4DNN Dennis & K4KLQ Ruth
K4XRT Dave & Spouse	KI7PLU John & Joanie	W4WAV John & Janet
K5LJB Joe & Carole	KJ7LTE Joe & Sabine	W5ABI Joe & Carol
K7QH Dana & Debbi	KK4EYU Lee & Christine	W5ISH Russ & Debbie
K7RPD Robert & Donna	KM4PT Paul & Sally	W5LCW John & Spouse
K8AGC Debbie & Greg	KM6VXX Chuck & Patty	W5NF Jim & Jenny
KA4WGW JC & Sarah	KN6NQH Richard & Spouse	W5PPX Jon & Teri
KB0MLP Patrick & Spouse	KN6ODD Jim & Debbie	W5ZM Pascal & Spouse
KB3OYC Dan & Sharon	KO4FHB Donald & Jennifer	W7ARZ Bill & Judy
KB8EDX Larry & Joyce	KO4IEG Bob & Spouse	W7DPB Doug & Rita
KC2ICX Carl & Catherine	KO4LAI William & Dianne	W7JBM Joe & Spouse
KC3JUD Perry & March	KO4ZHL Andrei & Spouse	W7OUN Billy & Cheryl
KC3RAZ Frank & Donna	KV5WLG Wayne & Spouse	W7TFQ Jason & Elisabeth
KDOUSN Bob & Robin	NOLTT James & Cherri	W9DPM Derek & Tammy
KDOWGB Don & Betty	NOQAU Joe & NOQAV Kim	WA3DQH Larry & Flo
KD2QKU Steven & Helen	N3FMO Harry & Patricia	WA5JDV Carl & Pat
KD9RRS Mark & Spouse	N4BNO Rod & Peggy	WA5QEC Jim & Spouse
KE5AHE Charlie & Pam	N4YXC John & KD4DSG Kathryn	WB4HZA John & Spouse
KF2D Jeff & Vicki	N5SP Sam & Regina	WB5WTF Ruben & Robyn
KF4TLO Don & KF4UIY Sandy	N6OUP Gerry & Spouse	WP4JD Juan & Marianela
KF7PVK Bob & Spouse	N7IHB Joe & Cody	WW3HAM Bill & Spouse
KG4JZU Clark & Spouse	N8APP Greg & Debbie	
KG5SER Paul & Sue	N9YUH David & Joan	

If I missed your anniversary, please let me know at

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DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

AA1XD	K7TTI	KD9AMP	KL4QZ	N5WQ	W5RRW
AA3SS	K8ULT	KD9HAV	KL7FQR	N5ZHB	W5TXJ
AA4BD	K9TXJ	KD9TMO	KM4DPW	N6BHS	W5VTM
AA4HC	KA2YEG	KD9TTQ	KM4YUA	N6DMP	W6NWF
AA4HC	KB1CSI	KE0A	KN4DXH	N6FRX	W7MIN
AB0H	KB1TUY	KE0CLN	KN4LGE	N6LBR	W7SKM
AC0KV	KB3PET	KE0HJP	KN4STX	N7GRC	W7TFQ
AD0RR	KB5LYR	KE5CPA	KN6JPZ	N7MCH	W8AP
AE0GU	KB5MC	KF0BQV	KN6KWG	N7NEA	W8CFI
AE5KI	KB7MXT	KF4TLO	KN6NOE	N8ADB	W8MSB
AG5YU	KC1KFG	KF4YI	KN6TUX	N8EGZ	W8MSB
AJ5TX	KC1MDI	KF7PVK	KN6YDQ	N8ISS	W8WSL
AK4SQ	KC1MR	KF8XE	KO6MX	N9EDB	W9ADT
JA1CG	KC1NLX	KG4CRY	KV4ZL	N9WY	WA0RMG
K0AID	KC1NLX	KG5UBD	KV5WLG	NA6BN	WA5TQB
K0HIH	KC2CZK	KG6MTC	KX7KX	NE0DB	WA6JBI
K0KER	KC3JUD	KH6G	KZ4RA	NT5M	WB2GPU
K0VQ	KC3NCS	KI4URN	N0DNY	NZ8P	WB5THT
K4RRC	KC3PXC	KI5FIT	N0PMQ	VE3JPJ	WB6NFU
K5CRI	KC7MYN	KI6SBL	N0QAU	W0BET	WB7RWS
K5IGB	KC9TFD	KI7DPS	N0TZQ	W0JWB	WD0J
K5RST	KC9YOF	KI7IEE	N1IEX	W0QPR	WR7FT
K5WFD	KD0WGB	KI7SJC	N1JCW	W1AJM	WS9F
K5WIL	KD2GUT	KJ6YFY	N2EWS	W3ZR	WV8VRC
K6AAI	KD2Q	KJ7CPC	N2VPJ	W4CBH	WW4RX
K6HP	KD8EUP	KJ7LTE	N3DME	W4EXG	
K6RRS	KD8SGA	KJ7UMY	N3VMD	W4JMJ	
K7HRT	KD8UJG	KK7AAG	N4IUF	W4MBR	

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

As we quickly move toward another new year, I thought it might be interesting to review what the YL System looked like 40 years ago (1983). Obviously, a lot has changed during that time. However, the YL System's friendly and supportive approach to amateur radio has remained strong and popular.

Below are a few of the details of the 1983 YLISSB. The System was still primarily focused on response to world-wide emergency communications and support. Thus, there were many DX members as well as those residing in the United States. The System QSO party and Awards program were very popular.

The annual convention was held at the North Park Inn, Dallas, Texas. Over 70 members and guests attended. Participants were entertained via attendance at a live rodeo. The convention radio station was contacted by many members who were unable to attend.

Annual dues for the System were \$6.00. Given inflation and expenses since that time, the System's current dues are a real bargain. The System's bank balance was reported as \$7,931.31 and expenses as \$6,481.69.

Elected officers were:

President – N7YL (Jan)

Vice-President – WB0MPC (Irene)

Vice-President – WB2RWT (Gladys)

Vice-President – KC7GV (Marie)

Treasurer – KC4LF (Lyle)

System Coordinator were:

20 meters KC7GH

80 meters KB0EI

15 meters K2AGJ – Eileen

moonbeam W5UJO - Joe

10 meters KB5YQ –Jda

40 meters K0VIY – Carl

SSB'ers Voice Editor – V. Mayree Tallman (K4ICA)

Assisted by Barbara Neiman (WA4UYZ)

Thank you to all those mentioned above and many others who help the System to become what it is today.

To be continued next month ...

Courtesy of Doug, W6HB, YL #8099: CROSSBAND ACTIVATION OF BATTLESHIP IOWA'S NEPM SCHEDULED IN MEMORY OF PEARL HARBOR

As the representative of the National Museum of the Surface Navy at Battleship IOWA in San Pedro, California, the Battleship IOWA Amateur Radio Association (BIARA) will honor the sailors and ships previously home ported in San Pedro who were attacked on December 7, 1941, with special crossband activations of NEPM on December 6, 7, 8 and 9, 2023. We thank the ARRL and their legal support team for asking the FCC to approve our request for a waiver to allow FCC amateur licensees to work NEPM.

Follow this link for more information:

<https://biara.org/>



**DECEMBER:
SANTA AWARD:
December 1 thru 31**

Contact 25 members with a membership number ending with a 2 or a 5.

Email your qualifying QSO's

to: awards@ylsystem.org

DECEMBER 6, 2023

–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 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.

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Welcome

NEW MEMBERS

18983 W9DPM Derek IN	18998 NM6A Kay PA	19013 NF0J Dave NM
18984 KD5AYY Curtis TX	18999 N7HIG Kip WY	19014 WD0FEU Annette NM
18985 KC9TFD Bill IL	19000 W2APD Al FL	19015 KJ5CTX Monty TX
18986 KC9UKV Muriel IL	19001 W5TSU Mark OK	19016 AE0AQ Bob KS
18987 AA5IT Frank TX	19002 KE8YGW Austin OH	19017 WB9UJS Mark FL
18988 KQ4FGT Darryl SC	19003 KB8TBA Larry WV	19018 AA7TZ Dale AZ
18989 KI5UPP Scott LA	19004 N4IT Carl OH	19019 KD7JJW Milisa AZ
18990 N2VPJ Bob NY	19005 WB3JOK Charles MO	19020 NJ0A John CO
18991 KI5VPF Phil TX	19006 W3ZOR Jay NC	19021 AC0FT Ray CO
18992 N0NSR Bruce MO	19007 K5LFK Bob TX	19022 KG5FZ Charles LA
18993 AE4AG Art FL	19008 NY5V Aaron TX	19023 KQ4JMR John AL
18994 KA4WNZ Sharyn	19009 KJ5BFM Helena TX	19024 N7MUE Mike FL
FL 18995 W4BDB Glen TN	19010 WB2GPU Don WA	19025 KE0OGS Grant NE
18996 KE4OEQ Jean TN	19011 WB8FCC David MO	19026 WA5FMY Ernie NM
18997 KZ5E Rick TX	19012 KF0ACZ Richia MO	

SILENT KEYS

It is with deep regret that I report the passing of our YLISSB FAMILY MEMBERS for the month of NOVEMBER 2023:



KA3ZLA ROBERT SIMPSON YLISSB -15306
KX7YT JOHN E. CORE YLISSB-8934
KBOOFM TERRY SCHMIDT YLISSB-17818
VE3RSI ROBERT SACERTY YLISSB - 15753

Respectfully,
Mario K2ZD #7485
Condolence Chair

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**DID YOU COMPLETE?
NOVEMBER LIBERTY
AWARD**
Contact ten (10)
members who are
designated a Veteran on
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AWARD: December 1
thru 31**

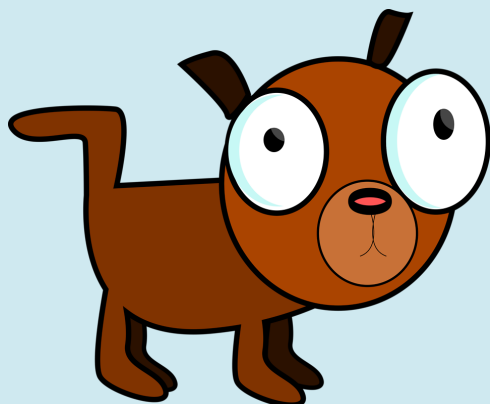
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Find more information on our website.

E-Mail qualifying QSO's to:
Frances AF7YL. Her email is awards@ylsystem.org



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!