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PRESIDENTS REPORT

January 2022

I hope you had a wonderful holiday celebration. And, I hope that 2022 sees a lot of improvement in the pandemic.

SPECIAL DAYS ON THE SYSTEM

January is our Snowflake Award. Contact six members from Canada, from at least three different provinces. K4ICA will count as two contacts. Only one contact with an individual member will qualify for the award. Send your application to our Award Chairman, Lynn K0PMQ at lynnjames@ymail.com.

MONTHLY AWARDS

January is our Snowy January Award 2022. Contact 30 members from any State, Province or Country that has snow on the ground at the time of the contact. Submit your award applications to our Award Chairmen, Lynn, N0PMQ at lynnjames@ymail.com.

CORRECTION

Last month I listed an incorrect call for one of our latest TFO Members. I'd like to apologize to Dan, K2DJL for my error. Congratulations on being awarded TFO number 608, Dan.

AWARDS AND TFOs

No December awards/tfo's.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (cont'd)

BOARD ACTIONS

The Board has finished updating the Policy and Procedures Manual. It is now posted on the website for your benefit. If you have any questions as to how and why the members of the YL System do anything, it is no doubt spelled out in the Manual.

CONVENTION 2022

We are hoping that the pandemic allows us to have an in-person convention for 2022. Elsie N0ESJ and Lynn N0PMQ have agreed to host the convention in Springfield, Missouri. Put the date of June 6-10 on your calendar, and plan on attending. More information will be forthcoming.

CONVENTION 2023

How would you like to host a convention, in person! We are hoping that 2023 will be a good year for conventions. So, if you would like to be considered as a host, send me an e-mail to kl7fqq@yahoo.com. Conventions are a lot of work, but also a lot of fun!

FEBRUARY MEET AND GREET

We will be hosting a Meet and Greet on February 5 on Zoom. More information will be coming soon.

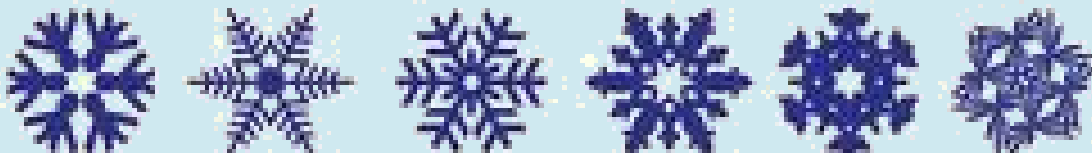
EXPANDED SUNRISE SESSION

Starting on January 3, the Sunrise Session will open an hour earlier. Look for it at 1300Z. This is a trial for a month to see if the band cooperates.

ATTENTION TFO MEMBERS

If you hold a TFO number, you are eligible to vote for another deserving member, one who shows above average operating skills, in order for them to be awarded a TFO number. Please send your vote to elsiejanes@yahoo.com. You may vote for 12 members per year. Please get your votes in today.

Rose, KL7FQQ



On January 3, 2022, the Sunrise Portion will return to opening the System at 1300z. With propagation improving, a one month trial will begin to ascertain the viability to returning to the traditional start time. Your participation will be greatly appreciated.

The TFO of the Year will be announced on New Year Day on the Moonbeam Warriors edition, Saturday January 1 at 2100z. Please join us to celebrate one of our TFO holders receiving this award.

Plans to hold an in-person Convention in Springfield, Missouri June 6-10 are moving along. Details will be in The Voice which will be landing in your email inbox shortly.

It is the time of the year to renew your membership. Please go to the website www.ylssystem.org, login and hit renew.

Best wishes for a healthy and happy New Year.

Larry AB3TY #16871 TFO 535
Vice-President

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

KD0MEO Dale & Sheila	KO4ALK Paul & Spouse
KB0OFM Terry & Molly	AG5GP Shelby & Kim
N0LZY Jake & Linda	KE5ZQV Jody & Donna
AA0GM Gary & Vickie	N5JED Chuck & Jo Ann
W1PEF Paul & Joy	W5DBL Larry & Spouse
WW1SS Steven & Joy	K5PCS Roger & Sherry
KB1FGF Woody & Anita	KI5BYN Ray & Gina
KD2HRN Ron & Linda	KI5DLS Ken & Kellie
N2OKA Candy & Bill	WA5VTT John & Spouse
W2EO Bill & Kathleen	W6NWF Viv & KI6SBL Rob
KE2UK Ron & Spouse	AI6KO Jay & Fran
WB2AII Ken & Mallisa	KD6ZKC John & Marlene
KD2VYP Rich & Annette	N6DMP Donald & Michelle
WR3V Rich & Renee	W6VY Bob & Marjorie
K3LI Rich & Day	KK6INF Gregory & Spouse
KK4CII Bo & Spouse	K7ZNO John & Peggy
KM4TTT Jim & Sara	WL7SO John & Julie
W4LLY Jim & Julie	KJ7PVJ David & Spouse
W4GJR Gregory & Spouse	KE8GII David & Sheila
KJ4YDI Dale & Lynn	K8RJT Roger & Nancy
KK4HTL Joe & Spouse	K9EXY Rick & Rita

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES (cont'd)

KB9GFX Doc & Lori

N9WAS Doc Denny & Spouse

K9GHP Rick & Sharon

W1KNF Nicole & Mandi

AI5CA Bob & Jamie

KIDHL Duncan & Linda



happy anniversary

**If I missed your anniversary, please let me know at
i.am.k9sun.shine@gmail.com**

SILENT KEYS

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

John D. Peters – K1ER – YLISSB:6807

William J. Roberts – AA4NC – YLISSB:10027

Norman G. Harrill – N4NH – YLISSB:9955

Kenneth W. Bratz – WA5JUM – YLISSB:16415

William Gentile – K8MG – YLISSB:10978

Respectfully,
Jim Pandzik KE9PK
Condolence Chair



NEW MEMBERS

18323 KC2YME Doug NY

18324 W0WLA Bill CO

18325 N5OTV Terry OK

18326 K0XA Timm UT

18327 WB5ACT Brian TX

18328 K7QH Dana WA

18329 N5EKC Steve LA

18330 NG2G Mark WA

18343 NS6U Dom AZ

18344 KF0AXG John MO

18345 KB5MC Michael NM

18346 N0DGU Don TX

18347 AC5EX Jimmy TX

18348 KB0CH Wayne MN

18349 KW6EZ Ross CA

18350 N8EGZ Ron OH



Welcome

18331 KI5OAU Jim OK

18332 AA7KJ Steve MT

18333 KF4TPY Paul NH

18334 W8RNE Rick OH

18335 AI5CD Mark OK

18336 KJ7OOR Jon AZ

18337 KD9TNY Bill WI

18338 KI5MNA Mike TX

18339 KI5FIZ Lorna TX

18340 KI4FSZ Jeff FL

18341 KK7AAG Lou UT

18342 W4KIK Chuck OH

18351 N8RLL Rick OH

18352 K7EDZ Ed AZ

18353 KB5UVU Jim TX

18354 KJ7RDV John WA

18355 KG4WWX Lee FL

18356 KD0OOR Griff NE




JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

N0UOD	ZL1ALE			KK6TXN	W8TOG
N0EFV	KA1ULN			KB6LFM	W8JCS
KD0PTM	W1KNF			KB6TKA	KD8EZ
W0JFM	VE1QT			W6CEC	VE9RMD
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K0IC	N1YZO	KK4WYN	N5GED	N6JJA	KD9CWR
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WT0HP	N2ODR	AG4KN	K5FEL	KA7UOR	W9VCM
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WA0BEU	VE3EQV	K4SHA	KI5KKV	K7BDG	WA3DQH
K0YI	KB3SEL	K4JRB	KG5URA	W7ISS	AB5I
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KE0RFZ	KC3LGF	N4LAX	W5NF	K8NQC	
K0WHW	WA3RXP	KO4QFX	KI5OII	K8UOU	
WD0GPS	KK4HM	KE5ES	K6AJY	K8MPW	
KE0CCI	KI4TXP	K5GEB	K6BHH	KC8SSK	
KF0EZV	NC4MI	KV5S	AI6NJ	K8JGG	
W1FGN	KK4SGX	KM5OA	VA6HLL	N8APP	
K1HIF	K4ADY	VE5JLO	KK6XR	KE8IYS	
K1GND	VE4DS	KF5V	AA6TJ	W8RES	
W1NRX	KG4EYG	AG5DT	KI6GCI	KC8DQG	
KA1EPT	KM4KNV	VE5RH	K6INS	W8BF	
N1DL	KI4IRH	ND5G	AI6NJ	KD8EFM	



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

This article is part of a summary of the preliminary beginnings of the YLISSB as originally written by Jessie (W6OET - #46), second president of the YLISSB and V. Mayree Tallman (K4ICA - #1), Foundress and first YLISSB president. This was document in the YL International SSB'er, Special Edition dated October-November 1974.

The article this month is related to the YL System fourth anniversary informal system as reported by Dale H. Miller, W7CGF, SSB'er #5471.

Just before 1600 GMT (Greenwich Mean Time – for those unfamiliar), 9 February 1967, V. Mayree, K4ICA, foundress of SSB'ers, came on frequency and said: "Today, our fourth anniversary, is to be informal – a day to forego the usual formalities. The only thing formal will be emergency traffic. Otherwise, have fun."

People began breaking in all over, congratulating her for creating such a fine organization. She said, as she always does: "It is you, not I, who have made SSB'ers the wonderful thing it is today. Members' application brought the creative idea to fruition," and with that, festivities began!

As the hours moved on, check-ins were fabulous! Each proudly giving their SSB'er numbers gave one the deep-down warm feeling of "belonging", of being an integral part of the greatest world-wide family in the whole world, of having found our niche in amateur radio – a home.

We tried to close the system at 0130, but members would have none of that. At 0220 I got away for a bite to eat. At 0315, Midway Island was still on frequency looking for SSB'ers and plenty were there.

I have never enjoyed anything so much in my life! At 0345 it was still impossible to officially close. Many DX and W/K stations were still having a ball. After eleven and a half hours I had to go QRT, but was so excited I had to take a Milltown (calming pill) to settle down to sleep. It's 5:30 AM and I'm back on my rig listening to SSB'ers still going.

I have been in ham radio many years, but can truthfully say these past few months with SSB'ers has been more enjoyable than the other 35 1/2 years of my life. It has open up a whole new world for my wife and I. We agree that it was our lucky day when I accidentally discovered SSB'ers!

To be continued next month ...

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Did you complete the
December Santa Award
2021? Yes, if you
contacted 25 members
with a membership #
ending in 2 or 7.

Get more information in the President's Report or
on our website.

Award Fee—\$5.00

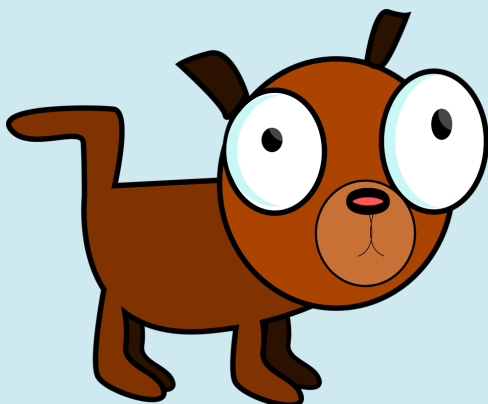
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