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I wanted to let you know that I'm having surgery on the 28th of June, and will be indisposed for a month or so. In the meantime, Nancy, K0YL will be handling YLISSB matters. So, if you need something during that time, please contact her at nancyyoshida@live.net.

SPECIAL DAYS ON THE SYSTEM

July 5 is our Freedom Award. Contact five (5) of the following twelve (12) members: K4DMW, K5SSL, KD0VEP, KE7VSC, WB7BKM, KK4AED, KX9KX, W7TOA, KM4TTT, KX7KX W7AJP, VE3JPJ. K4ICA will count as two contacts. Only one contact with an individual member will qualify for the award, with the exception of K4ICA, which may be contacted on both 20 and 40 meters to qualify.

MONTHLY AWARDS

Our monthly award is the July Independence Award 2021. Contact 25 member stations located in the 13 original colonies of the United States. The original 13 colonies were: Delaware, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Georgia, Connecticut,

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Maryland, South Carolina, New Hampshire, Virginia, New York, North Carolina, and Rhode Island. K4ICA will count as two contacts for this award. Submit your award applications to our Award Chairmen, Lynn, N0PMQ at [lynnjames@ ymail.com](mailto:lynnjames@ymail.com).

BOARD MEETING

Our Monthly Board Meeting was rather sparse in actions. However, we did vote to cover the cost of the main banquet at our next in-person convention for convention registrants. We also finalized our selection of Scholarship recipients.

CONVENTION 2021

The following awards were made at the recent convention. The Rigel Trophy went to Fred, WB7BKM; Founder's Award went to Jane N1PVT; Silent Service Award went to Bruce K9ICP; and the Cornerstone Award went to Terry K5SSL. The following received the President's Special Awards: Gloria K4DMW; Bill W7AJP, Larry AG5Z, Scotty K6ZNL, Jim KE9PK, Larry AB3TY and Anne KC3EYB. During the Convention, we held drawings for five free yearly memberships. The winners were: Barbara KD0NEZ, Nancy K0YL, Chuck KE5AHE, Joe NZ8P and Leo KD0VEP. Congratulations to our winners!

ELECTION 2021

The following members were added to the Ambassador Corps: Jim KN4QKS, Jim KM4TTT, CA W5CAP, Ron W8BF and Mike VE2XMP. Our Ambassador Extraordinaire for 2021 is Jane N1PVT. We have also elected the following Emeritus Council members: Bill K0UB; Randy K4KRK; John KE7VSC; and Fred K0CE.

CONVENTION 2022

Unless something unexpected happens, it appears that 2022 will be the first year in a couple of years that we will be able to hold an in-person Convention. It has been very sad to have to cancel the past two due to the pandemic. However, we have high hopes for 2022, so I'm wondering if anyone would be willing to host a convention?

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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.

PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN

Thanks go out to Doug, W6HB for volunteering to assume the duties of Public Relations Chairman. Thanks, Doug, and we wish him luck in his new task.

INFORMATION OFFICER

With the unfortunate passing of our Information Officer, Al AF5VH, we were fortunate to have Ron, W8BF agree to assume that position. Thanks, Ron, and good luck in your new task.

Rose, KL7FQQ

Great note from Kevin K0KLB



A dog, an RV, and an Icom-7100 tuned to 14.332Mhz...

Is this heaven?

Nope! It's Iowa!

July Anniversaries

KB0HAZ John & Linda
KE0IFP Charles & Diane
KE0DSV David & Spouse
KE0ABP Tom & Lynne
KB0EOR Frank & Theresa
KC0QAL Jan & Tom
KD0MOM Tom & Jan
KB0DNP Mike & KC0WWR
Lydia
KA0IDH Rich & Diana
KE0A Rod & Marilyn
KN0JI Noji & KR5LYS Lisa
KD0RMF Richard & Priscila
K0KWH Ken & Jen
N0NZL Duane & Juanita
KF0EZV Drew & Spouse
W1WAB Bill & Mary Beth
KB1VQF Joe & Denise
WA1S Ann & WA1F Bob
W2FMQ Fred & Tammy
N2OMD Tom & Spouse
WA2CG Bill & Spouse
K2LRC Peter & Ursula
AE2EE Dennis & Beverly
KB2WTA Charlie & Julie
G3LHJ Derrick & Sylvia
VA3JB Jack & Patti
KM4TTT Jim & Sara
KI4TXP Jay & Sue
AB4DU Larry & Spouse
K4GFW Gerry & Marilyn
N4MKT Larry & KC4LAP Joy
W4DRB Don & Jan
KK4EKK Donnie & Pam

K4JAL Jim & Helen
AC4TM Tom & Carole
AK4QK Randy & Brandi
KL4QZ Kathryn & Kenneth
AG4KN John & Teresa
NY4JB Jim & Jennifer
K4BKC Robert & Tammy
VE4MG Malcolm & Heather
KI4URN Ed & Barb
KO4DUX John & In
K4RRC Randy & Carol
KF5FSK AJ & Linda
W5MLM Mark & W5TXJ Jill
KF5GTX Bobby & Jayme
KG5KIC Russell & Brenda
N5RWF Richard & Vanda
KG5WDM Cal & Terri
N5WQ John & KJ5Q Sandra
WB5MPV Walker & KD5PRB
Melinda
N5ANB Pete & Dawn
WB5KSY Phil & Nancy
KD5HLV Pastor Greg & Alicia
WW5B Steve & Amy
K5BWF BB & Dawn
W5KAC Ken & Cindy
K6JDM James & Kimberly
W6MEI Bob & Donnie
N6GVU Rich & Elke
KI7IIM Paul & Sherri
KL7LS Charles & Millie
AB7HB Bernard & Kristi
KG7LXA Duane & Peg
KG7UML Martin & Spouse

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NL7D Tim & AL7BN Sue
KF7URV Bob & Deb
NT7J Don & Lilyce
WB7VNL Ray & Clara
KS7TU Stu & KG6CYC Sue
VE7CQE Charlie & Tina
K7UD Dee & Kitty
W8OPA Rene & Jeanie
K8ULT Greg & Lorraine
KE8AMC Robb & Rose
AA8WM Andy & Katie
KD9AZW Paul & Sheila
W9DTR Herb & Mary Lynn
VE9MSD Mona & VE9RMD
Robert

K9LDO Ken & May
VE9GU Ron & Diane
W9IFW Norm & Shirley
N9DIX Jim & Spouse
K9ROA Dave & Shelley
KD9ANS Tony & Mary
K9RAM Schu & Cindy
KA9OUT Al & Carleen
AC9TU Evan & Cindy
N9DRS Doc & KDT9X Flip
KB9CWU Robin & Spouse
KD9OFG John & Susan

*If I missed your Anniversary,
please let me know at
jim@pandzik.com. Thanks!*

Silent Keys

The following members have been reported as Silent Keys:

Urb A. LeJeune – W1UL – YLISSB:11419
Jay H. Morgan – K4OVG – YLISSB:9858
Terry G. McCarty Jr. - WA5NTI – YLISSB:8682
J.K. Fancher Jr. - W5WEE – YLISSB:8028
C.L. Neely – KC5ZT – YLISSB:13916
James O. Lyman – W0AJL – YLISSB:10607
Donald E. Drake – W0DOX – YLISSB:13002
Alfred C. Watts – AF5VH – YLISSB:17121

New Members

18125	WD6DPX	Bill from Kansas
18126	K4XRT	Dave from Georgia
18127	KI5GYF	Mac from New Mexico
18128	KI5KEV	Greg from Texas
18129	KE8QYM	Jim from Ohio
18130	KD4RAX	Mike from Florida
18131	N6KLS	Vicki from Arizona
18132	N6BT	Tom from Arizona
18133	KM4MQD	Pat from Florida
18134	K4EEF	Bill from Alabama
18135	KI5NBV	Scott from Texas
18136	KF0EZV	Drew from Iowa
18137	W7ZXL	Bud from California
18138	N8DXZ	Dr Jerry from Michigan
18139	N4LAX	Ed from Georgia
18140	WS4FGR	Tem from Texas
18141	WB5WTF	Ruben from Kentucky
18142	W1JAC	Jack from Maine
18143	N2QIL	Kenny from New York
18144	W5NF	Jim from Texas
18145	KI5OII	Louis from New Mexico
18146	KF5HYU	Dave from Texas
18147	N6JJA	Sheldon from California
18148	AF1RO	Drew from Florida
18149	KD9OFG	John from Wisconsin
18150	KI4CPB	Harry from Alabama

Keeping Up with our Members

Gloria (K4DXM) and DIANE (K4DMW) visited Bill (W7AJP) and Joan Phillips in mid-June. On a trip to the Oregon Coast some blustery winds were a bit annoying as we looked at the Heceta Head Lighthouse. Later, back at Bill's house, Diane tried her hand at feeding birds, squirrels and roaming deer. (yes, she was quite successful).



It was a delightful visit until they arrived at Portland International Airport and American Airline canceled their Tuesday flight. After an additional night in a nearby motel, they rescheduled them on Alaska Airlines but flew them to Orlando, a much more distant destination on the opposite Coast of Florida from the Tampa Flight they had initially arranged. HEY, safety made it all safer!

...From Bill W7AJP

July Birthdays

W0QPO	W2CCW	KF4HBE	K6MAF	KN8TVE
W0SPA	N2OKA	K4PHZ	KG6BOJ	K9SX
KY0TE	KC2TFX	KM4BUN	KK6ZML	K9FYL
KD0RIR	W2MSR	NU4R	K7YAK	KB9ORA
K0BGS	N2WHV	KO4DUX	NH7AR	
K0UB	NF2B	KO4PWF	KG7PFD	
KD0NQM	AE2EE	KD4RAX	KB7CSW	If I missed your
KA0ENU	KB2WTA	VK5ZB	KA7TXR	Birthday or
W0GHM	KB3OMO	KJ5Q	VA7WNC	Anniversary,
K0LWT	W3YZL	WA5PBR	WC7F	please let me
W0HMO	K3VRU	AG5Z	K7YH	know at
W0EWB	K3CJW	KC5SAM	KG7LXA	jim@pandzik.com
AJ0HH	AA3JF	NM5CL	WB7BKM	
N0ESJ	KL3QI	KA5RUZ	KI7PTY	
KE0RYF	NC3FSP	WD5FQX	KS7TU	
KE0OGD	N3RAD	W5DBL	KG7BMU	
KE0KIK	W3QM	N5ARM	KJ7DSE	
KE0CTY	VE3WWR	W5DRI	KJ7PVJ	
KB0DNP	K3ENV	W5JGB	KJ7TJA	
N0VPN	K3JSF	N5QIM	W7XK	
KC0WCF	AB3TY	N5RWF	N7FWT	
W0FLZ	WD4T	NA5NM	W8RQE	
KE0IGK	KD4ZOJ	KF5JRE	K8DXJ	
WA0IAN	KA4WWN	KZ5NDC	WK8Y	
WX0NET	KJ4APD	KI5GLN	KC8UPU	
KE0ZNV	KJ4YDI	K5UYN	KE8BOC	
VE1QT	W4DNQ	KD5MJQ	K8RRC	
W1AES	K4TFJ	KD5HLV	KE8AMC	
K1TXU	KM4TTT	N5RS	WD8KUR	
KB1PFL	KJ4APD	WA5SON	DU9EK	
WZ1F	W4WAV	W5TPK	DJ9BK	
W1XRT	N4EPG	W6HB	WX9RLT	
W1DRD	KD4ZOJ	N6NTJ	KC9VVU	
N1YLO	KM4PT	NQ6C	N9SWM	
KC1MEI	KI4PPI	NA6US	K9WFE	
KR1SS	VE4PH	VA6HLL	K9JTV	

YLISSB – Tracing the History

(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 documented in the YL International SSB'er, Special Edition dated October-November 1974.

When you receive some of the SSB'ers award certificates, does it ever occur to you how they came about? What prompted titles, design, what they are trying to say, what inspired them individually? (Note: Some of these awards have been discontinued). Jessie (W6OET) provides some insight of the early awards offered.

Stars of the Southern Cross Award: This award, considered by many to be one of the loveliest in our program, required no imagination ... simply a presentation of the Four Principal Stars constituting its outline. To magnify its majesty, it is done individually. No two certificates are identical other than its outline. (This award is no longer issued).

Corona Borealis (The Northern Crown) Award: This was intended as a world-wide tribute to the extravaganza of nature, a spectacle so overwhelming in beauty and mystery as to defy adequate description – an incomprehensible phenomenon, the Northern lights, like the painted desert or petrified forest, can only be determined as masterworks of nature. This award, too, is done individually, other than outline. (This award is no longer given).

The Olympus Award: This award was designed for CW only members. There are many, for various reasons, who operate CW only. They felt left out. Therefore, in order for phone participants to receive the Olympus the award encouraged them to dust off their keys. (This award is no longer issued).

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The Dolphin Award: The Dolphin award, as well as the Olympus, came as a result of a consultation with Pete, WA6MWG, who was mindful of the needs of Asia and Oceania. Thus, the Dolphin requirements combined CW and phone. (This award is no longer issued).

The Winged Mercury Award: Designed for 40 & 80 meters. This spirited symbol in flight is so popular it is necessary to have re-printings often. (This award is no longer issued – however there currently are Worked All States awards on these frequencies).

The Apollo Award: The dashing figure of Apollo graces the shack of many members. It, too, is a reward of recognition and carries with it a five-point credit for contacting members of SSB'ers Top Flight Award, and five point credit for contacting members holding the Rigel trophy. (Currently, this award is issued for accumulating 100 points for contacting TFO certificate holders, TFO trophy holders, and/or Rigel Trophy holders).

The Devotional Award: This award is issued for contacting SSB'ers devotional members of any denomination, of which there were many. (Currently this award is issued for contacting 50 members stations of the clergy).

To be continued next month ...

Awards and TFOs

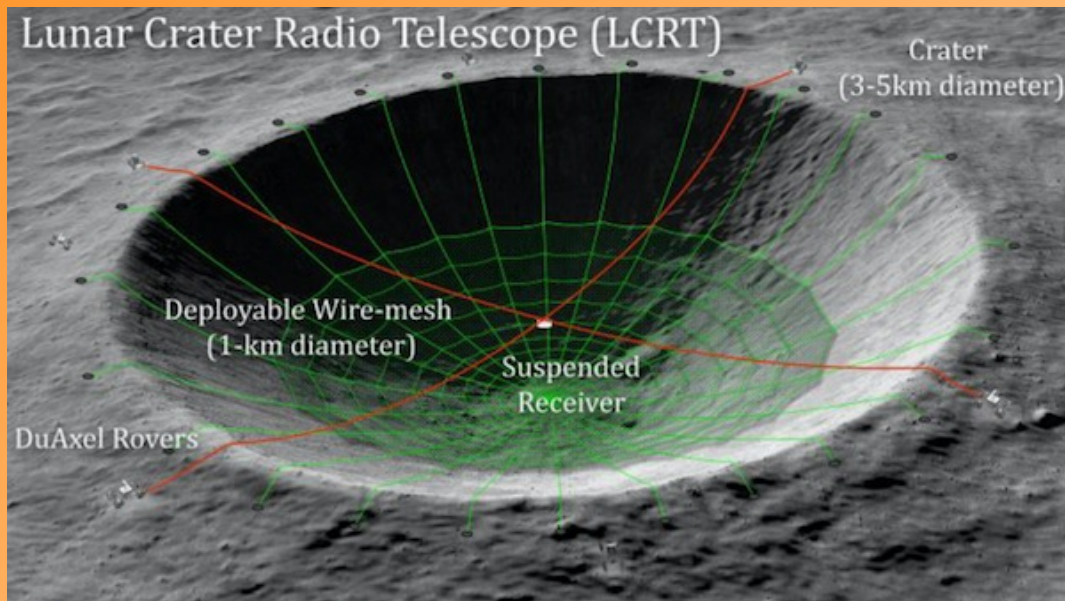
Please see the President's Report for a listing of awards presented during our recent Convention. Congratulations to all those recognized for their contributions to the YLISSB System.

Current TFOs are reminded to vote every month for future TFOs. Share the wealth!

The treehouse is more fun if you don't pull the ladder up behind you!

And finally...

And as if the world wasn't crazy enough, according to EarthSky.org astronomers have decided to put an end to hurricanes destroying their radio telescopes by placing the next oneon the far side of the moon!



(Hmm... I wonder if they'd consider sticking up an 8 band Hustler vertical next to it..... Couldn't hurt to ask!)

See you 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!