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BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Board of Directors has been busy the past month, working on several projects. The most important is the 2023 Virtual Convention, which will be held July 15 at 1700 Z (1:00 PM Eastern). Current plans call for the first order of business to be the General Meeting, followed by an open-mike time, when you can visit with other members. The next occurrence will be an auction, with the proceeds going to the Scholarship Fund. Look around, and if you find something you can part with that would be fun to auction off, donate it. You will be responsible for mailing the item to the winning bidder, so keep that in mind! More information will be included in a mailing coming to you soon.

Plus, after you register for the Convention, you will be receiving a packet of information, including the 2023 Brochure. Check the web page for further information, and watch your mailbox.

AWARDS AND TFOs

There were no awards in June.



2023 YL International Single Sideband System Convention July 15 1PM ET / 1700UTC – Zoom

A fine gathering and fellowship featuring your fellow radio amateurs, eye-ball QSO's with familiar voices, YL Net Controls and Leadership. Celebrate Award and Scholarship Winners! Don't miss the opportunity to attend!

Five \$2,000.00 USD Scholarships will be Awarded to young people of nominated YL System members who are attending College.

Date: Saturday July 15, 2023

Time: 17:00 UTC / 1 PM Eastern / 12 PM Central / 11 AM Mountain / 10 AM Pacific / 9 AM AKDT / 7 AM HST

Your YL System email address you provide at registration will be used to email the link to join the room via the ZOOM app.





JULY ANNIVERSARIES

AA8WM Andy & Katie
 AC9TU Evan & Cindy
 AE2EE Dennis & Beverly
 AG4KN John & Teresa
 AJ5TX Johnny & Margaret
 AK4QK Randy & Brandi
 KOKWH Ken & Jen
 KOVQ Tracy & KOELK Kristine
 K2LRC Peter & Ursula
 K4BKC Robert & Tammy
 K4GFW Gerry & Marilyn
 K4JAL Jim & Helen
 K4RRC Randy & Carol
 K4TLS Steve & Tacie
 K5BWF BB & Dawn
 K5WEL Jimmy & Doris
 K7UD Dee & Kitty
 K8ULT Greg & Lorraine
 K9LDO Ken & May
 KA0IDH Rich & Diana
 KA9OUT Al & Carleen
 KBOEOR Frank & Theresa
 KBOHAZ John & Linda
 KB1VQF Joe & Denise
 KB2WTA Charlie & Julie
 KB9CWU Robin & Spouse
 KC1NLK Tracy & Deb
 KC1NLX Tracy & Deb
 KC3REC Kevin & Spouse
 KC5CMC Collin & Christina Gayle
 KC6CQD Dennis & Spouse
 KD5HLV Pastor Greg & Alicia
 KD8EZ Jack & Spouse
 KD9ANS Tony & Mary
 KD9OFG John & Susan

KE0A Rod & Marilyn
 KE0ABP Tom & Lynne
 KE0DSV David & Spouse
 KE0IFP Charles & Diane
 KE0UCH Shawn & Spouse
 KE5PWJ Alex & KE5QIQ Kim
 KFOAUT Ken & Spouse
 KFOEZV Drew & Spouse
 KF5FSK AJ & Linda
 KG5KIC Russell & Brenda
 KG5WDM Cal & Terri
 KG7BYJ Kenn & Julia
 KG7LXA Duane & Peg
 KI4TXP Jay & Sue
 KI4URN Ed & Barb
 KI5SCV Kevin & Spouse
 KI7CIM Eric & Spouse
 KI7HCK Larry & KI7HCG Margot
 KI7IIM Paul & Sherri
 KK5BS Thomas & Spouse
 KK7MXL Doug & Spouse
 KL4QZ Kathryn & Kenneth
 KL5HB Sterling & Elizabeth
 KL7LS Charles & Millie
 KM4TTT Jim & Sara
 KNOJI Noji & KR5LYS Lisa
 KN4BZR Walter & Spouse
 KO4DUX John & In
 KO4PZX Joe & Spouse
 KO4QEB Tim & Spouse
 KO4TST William & Spouse
 NONZL Duane & Juanita
 N1NAZ George & Spouse
 N2OMD Tom & Spouse
 N3DXR John & Donna

N4MKT Larry & KC4LAP Joy
 N5ANB Pete & Dawn
 N5RWF Richard & Vanda
 N5WQ John & KJ5Q Sandra
 N6GVU Rich & Elke
 N7NQZ Kirby & Spouse
 N9DIX Jim & Spouse
 N9DRS Doc & KDT9X Flip
 NY4JB Jim & Jennifer
 VA3JB Jack & Patti
 VE4MG Malcolm & Heather
 VE7CQE Charlie & Tina
 VE9GU Ron & Diane
 W1WAB Bill & Mary Beth
 W2ZMZ Cono & Irene
 W5KAC Ken & Cindy
 W5MLM Mark & W5TXJ Jill
 W6SPY Shannon & Darlene
 W8DCR David & Gail
 W9DTR Herb & Mary Lynn
 WA1S Ann & WA1F Bob
 WA6BTK Stu & KG6CYC Sue
 WB5KSY Phil & Nancy
 WB5LPT Jack & Boots
 WB5MPV Walker & KD5PRB Melinda
 WB7VNL Ray & Clara
 WW5B Steve & Amy

If I missed your anniversary, please let me know at
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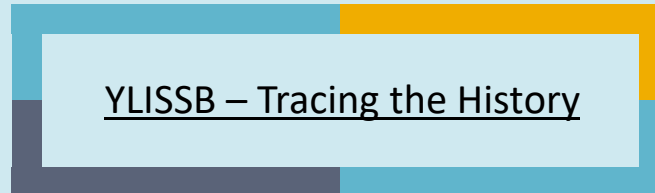


JULY BIRTHDAYS

AB3TY	KD4KGI	KI7DOJ	N1YLO	W3QM
AC7DW	KD4RAX	KI7PTY	N2ARO	W3SSB
AE2EE	KD4ZOJ	KJ4YDI	N2OKA	W4WAV
AG5Z	KD4ZOJ	KJ7DSE	N3OHM	W4ZAA
K0UB	KD5HLV	KJ7ORK	N3RAD	W5ABI
K3VRU	KD5ILH	KJ7PVJ	N4EGG	W5DBL
K5UYN	KD5MJQ	KJ7TJA	N4ITI	W5DRI
K5WAN	KD7RH	KK4NSK	N5ARM	W5JGB
K6MAF	KD9DVF	KK6MRN	N5FRM	W5TPK
K7DCE	KE0IGK	KK6ZML	N5QIM	W6HB
K7EDZ	KE0KIK	KL5HB	N5RS	W6SPY
K8DXJ	KE0OGD	KM4BUN	N5RWF	W6UA
K8RRC	KE0SOR	KM4PT	N6NTJ	W7XK
K9SX	KE0ZNV	KM4TTT	N7AZX	W8RNE
KA0ENU	KE8AVT	KN4BZR	N7FWT	W9OQI
KB2WTA	KE8TMZ	KN4HND	NA5NM	WA0IAN
KB3OMO	KE8UWD	KO4DUX	NA6US	WA5SON
KB9ORA	KF0CZN	KO4PWF	NE1JT	WB7BKM
KC1MEI	KF0ERT	KO4TST	NF2B	WK8Y
KC2TFX	KF0GYG	KO4YQL	NH7AR	WV8CW
KC2YME	KF0LSE	KQ4AQD	NU4R	WX0NET
KC5CMC	KG5LRB	KQ4DPH	VA6HLL	WZ1F
KC5SAM	KG6BOJ	KQ5L	VA7WNC	
KC6CDR	KG7BMU	KR1SS	VE4PH	
KC8UPU	KG7LXA	KZ5NDC	W0FLZ	
KC9HAS	KG8DV	N0ESJ	W1DRD	
KD0RTP	KI5SSR	N0OWP	W2MSR	
KD4DSG	KI5UXC	N0VPN	W3JP	

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

This month I decided to present something that I found in an older copy of the SSB'ers Voice dated 2008-09. While this is not as historical as many of the previous articles, it does have timeless meaning for all members. The article is titled, "How to be a Good Member". Please be aware that I did not attempt to edit the original article. Consequently, some items may not exactly reflect current process/practice. Check current policies if you have questions.

How to be a Good Member

1. Stations have three opportunities to make two completed calls when it is their turn.
2. Stations wishing to recheck should identify by saying "recheck" or say their call sign.
3. All stations must abide by FCC rules and accepted courtesies of amateur radio.
4. When you have finished with your contact, repeat your call sign at the end of your final transmission. This lets System Control know that you have completed your contact.
5. Stations hearing another station that the Control cannot hear should identify by saying "relay" and then wait for acknowledgement from Control.
6. Stations should eliminate needless repetition of their calls when making a contact. Once the station that is being called repeats your call, then it is customary to not repeat it again.
7. The use of phonetics when making a call is useful to ensure that the station being called understands your correct call. It is preferred that "current" phonetics be used.
8. Sometimes when conditions are poor, it is good practice to count out the signal report you are giving. For instance, two by two, one two, one two – over. Repeating this sequence several times helps the called station to receive the correct report.
9. Remember to be friendly at all times, but do not take up too much time in idle chatter. Other stations may be on the frequency that have calls they wish to make.
10. When you have been honored by being awarded a TFO (Top Flight Operator) number, remember to vote, so that others may be so honored. You are allowed to vote for one member per month per year. You can determine how you'll vote, either by sending in a vote, monthly, or you can vote for all 12 nominees at one time. When sending in your votes, please include your name, your call, and your TFO number on your nomination.
11. Remember that your dues are due on January 1 of each year, and become delinquent on March 31. Please send in your dues in a timely manner, using the Renewal Forms on the website or in your copy of the Voice.

Enjoy yourself, and remember our Motto: Dedicated to the building of better understanding and friendship among all the people of the earth through Amateur Radio Communications.

Continued next month ...

Welcome

NEW MEMBERS

18853 K4RCR James GA
18854 W8EJC Randal OH
18855 KD9RRS Mark WI
18856 WY2W Merle GA
18857 KK7MXL Doug WA
18858 KI5TPF Charles TX
18859 W9GLC George WI

18860 KJ7AZT Rick AZ
18861 KI5YOO Mark LA
18862 K4CAE David SC
18863 W7JAS James AZ
18864 K4WNM Michael FL
18865 AK4SQ Daniel VA
18866 N9YUH David IL

18867 K0KNF Mark CO
18868 KE8TMZ Deborah OH
18869 K4JUJ Dennis NC
18870 N7OYV Michael UT
18871 KE4OLE Jeffrey TN
18872 KI5ZLF Jeffrey TX



SILENT KEYS

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



ENRICO G. LA MONICA, SR. W4ZRA YLISSB-14436
STEWART T. BOWDEN WI4B YLISSB-10937
ALBERT P. LA PLACA W1GRE YLISSB-7397
STEVEN "STEVE" BASTINCK WA2IUS YLISSB-17751

Respectfully,
Mario K2ZD #7485
Condolence Chair

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July 5—FIRST RESPONDERS AWARD Contact six (6) members as designated on Netlogger. K4ICA will count as one (1) contact. Make sure to send your qualifying QSO's to Frances AF7YL, awards@ylsystem.org

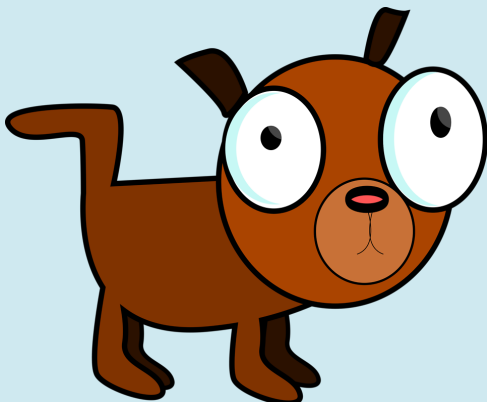
Did you complete the JUNE CUARTRO AWARD Contact five (5) members whose number ends with a four (4.) K4ICA counts as one (1) contact.

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

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

Corrections:

- KO4ZJL is now W4WSB
- KM5EH February birthday
- KD2JH June anniversary
- KF5UV June anniversary
- KE0SOR June anniversary
- K1HTQ April birthday
- KI0RR April anniversary
- KF0JFQ March birthday
- KK6AKH January birthday



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!