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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

May 2021

Greetings from Alaska!

### SPECIAL DAYS ON THE SYSTEM

May 5 is our May Day Award. Contact ten (10) members whose YLISSB numbers are below 16,000. K4ICA will count at two contacts.

### MONTHLY AWARDS

During the month of May, we have our Old Timer's Award 2021. Contact 30 members with a membership number below 16,500 for this award. K4ICA will count as 5 contacts toward this award. All awards are to be sent to Elsie and Lynn, [elsiejanes@yahoo.com](mailto:elsiejanes@yahoo.com).

### BOARD MEETING

Some of the highlights from the April Board Meeting were: a report on the Meet and Greet held April 3, we had 89 signed up, but only 42 checked in, but it was a good meeting; we now have all active 2021 members on the website.

**K4ICA**

**Memorial Call**

**YL System**

## **The President's Report (Cont.)**

Our Historian has been working on a history booklet that will be available for all members, more information will be coming soon. Some comments that had been received along with the ballots asked if the Lifetime Membership was for any member tht had held membership for 50 years, or if the membership had to be a paid-up membership. It was determined that holding the number for 50-years qualified.

## **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?

## **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](mailto:elsiejanes@yahoo.com). You may vote for 12 members per year. Please get your votes in today.

Rose, KL7FQQ

**May Anniversaries**

KB0JIT Paul & Linda	N5OKU Michael & Julie
W0UXO Rick & Cindy	N5YHM Brian & KF5EQH Bonnie
KD0SVT Gregory & Spouse	K5KDT Kelly & Carol
N0GRZ Grizz & Spouse	NV5D Marty & Rita
W0IB Paul & K4NOA Sharon	W5DTB Daren & Debbie
N0MAM Bill & Marta	NJ5G Pat & Nancy
KE0TTR Dr. Bob & Spouse	N5GED George & Nellie
KE0ZSV Tom & Anna	KG5MSS Tommy & Meg
N0DXX Larry & Mary	K5FEL Jim & Dori
KA0DDW Steve & Spouse	W5COE James & Hazel
K0ROD Rod & Spouse	KG5URA David & Spouse
KC1BEP John & Beverly	KJ6YFY Tony & Gina
VE1JIM Jim & Joanne	NA6US Dwayne & Spouse
K1QQA Bob & Mary	W6GRO Michael & Joann
AI1U Anthony & Spouse	K6LEM Warner & Linda
W1FGN Dave & Cindy	NB6M Wayne & W7SKM Sandra
WZ1F Lee & Spouse	K6DCL Dave & Spouse
N2WHV Gary & Brenda	W6CQR Dan & Lea
WB2KUT Jack & Denise	KG6MTC Ted & Spouse
2M0DDS David & Teresa	KB7MXT Paul & Mariellen
WA2IUS Steve & Irena	N7EG Matt & Fran
WB2LKO Slep & Nanare	K7IP Douglas & Tami
KB2VRO Jim & Peggy	VA7JSF Jim & Joanne
KD2JH Clark & Carol	K7RRT Mike & Kathy
K3UUF Eric & Carmen	NV7LV Dave & Melissa
K3EDP Bob & Nancy	W7PML Pedro & Blanca
KC3FZM Dan & KC3LGF Ginger	N7AZZ Kirk & Laura
3B8FP Rachid & Spouse	K7DJE Dave & Barb
KT4LS Lee & Katrina	KC8IKW Joe & Marie
KX4BE Peter & Karen	W8VOX Jon & Pam
W4KEF Ken & Cathy	K8RRC Cort & Louisa
N4TLT Terry & Linda	N8GDB Sid & Marlene
KK4COO Freddi & Spouse	N9YBK Matt & Barbara
KN4DUX Steve & Robin	KC9VFR Chris & Ruth
N4IUF Dee & Patricia	...continued on next page!

May Birthdays

W0GUS	VY2DS	W4DDT	KJ6VVG	W8TRU
KR0ARK	W2FMQ	KK4SRO	N6RXV	KE8QER
KD0VEP	KD2LMG	KI4PSR	W6BQZ	VE9ZZ
AC0YX	W2CCW	K4ZEE	KB6NOX	K9IGJ
WA0PFV	KA2R	KJ4GDX	AI6B	K9FZ
WA0AAM	K2BXG	KT4JR	WB6LAU	AA9BB
W0TDL	KG2PM	KD8KBX	KH6CB	WW9H
KD0VBK	WB2LKO	W4HUF	KB6KB	K9EJI
KE0ABP	VE3MXJ	KD4NKU	KF7KIN	WW9H
KB0OU	KB3OYC	K4JMG	K7OUO	AC9TU
N0JSP	KL3IH	K4PVK	WB7VNL	WB9TQW
K0ZAR	AB3TY	AE5FK	KD7ATL	K9POL
K0PIR	N3MAV	WA5JDV	KV7N	KD9HYM
N0ARN	WY3T	W5CAP	PJ7BK	KD9NOE
AB0XS	VE3XMP	W5GQW	KG7SNE	
KB0OFM	W3RIP	K5PCS	N7EG	If I missed your
K0CCP	N3BPM	K5PPK	N7DPX	Birthday or
K0KWH	K3UMW	W5AJO	AB7HB	Anniversary,
KA0WTY	K3EDP	N5JED	VA7LTX	please let me
WD0GPS	W3GFM	KR5LYS	KF7SIO	know at
K1RAA	W3ZR	KF5DBN	AE7YH	<a href="mailto:jim@pandzik.com">jim@pandzik.com</a>
KB1RVU	WB3AMR	K5YNC	KL7IH	
K1MLG	KC3FZM	KW5EBB	KB7CSV	
KB1RSE	KI4NSP	N5FYR	AC7KN	
W1PEF	W4YL	K5TIT	WX7MRI	
W1ELM	K4JZQ	W5HRH	NA7V	
N1QLL	KB4RDH	KF5VQS	K7REK	
AD1ET	KK4EGZ	W5BGM	K7RRT	
KE1RR	WA4KSO	W5CJC	NV7LV	
W1SAV	KD4EAQ	KB5IOC	KA7VPR	
W2JV	N4UOG	KE5DGT	KD8KBX	
2M0DDS	K4NSX	WT5O	KC8TDC	
AC2NG	W4ZEE	KI5LFM	KD8HDK	
KC2ZWP	KI4P	KC5QDF	KD8EVN	
N2RXX	WQ4W	KK6ABZ	W8SWT	
KC2ATK	KM4WNK	N6JUA	KB8ESY	
WA2CG	KC4UBE	KE6GTR	KD8JOX	

**May Anniversaries (Cont.)**

W9JTC Jamie & Kelly  
KX9KX Tom & Natalie  
KD9LDD Gregory & Spouse  
KD9HCY Scott & Hollie  
W9HVV John & Gail

KD9AMP JD & Suzy  
KD9OQK Tom & Kris  
KC9LQ Bob & Latie

If I missed your anniversary,  
please let me know at  
[jim@pandzik.com](mailto:jim@pandzik.com). Thanks!

**New Members**

We welcome the following New Members to the YLISSB ranks...

18044	KD8OVQ	Joe from Ohio
18045	KE2UK	Ron from New York
18046	KA3TIN	Justin from Pennsylvania
18047	NG1V	Harsha from Massachusetts
18048	KK6INF	Gregory from California
18049	KO9DGM	Dave from Florida
18050	K5VX	Jonathan from Texas
18051	KI5OJB	Eric from Mississippi
18052	K0ROD	Rod from Minnesota
18053	K1GBD	Guy from Texas
18054	KE0ABS	Doug from Colorado
18055	KB6TKA	Jim from California
18056	KD9KAI	Wendy from Illinois
18057	KD9HYM	Bill from Illinois
18058	K2DHS	Mike from Minnesota
18059	K5BBZ	Bob from Texas
18060	KI5NNF	Nick from Texas
18061	K0KLB	Kevin from Iowa
18062	KI5LFM	Joe from Texas
18063	KZ4RA	Ron from Florida
18064	W3MAN	Mike from Pennsylvania

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**New Members (Cont.)**

18065	K7DJE	Dave from Arizona
18066	KC5QDF	Chris from Minnesota
18067	W7JBM	Joe from Arizona
18068	WA5SON	Brian from Texas
18069	N0LZY	Jake from Colorado
18070	KI5ODH	Lee from New Mexico
18071	KN6NOE	Russ from California
18072	KD9GLB	Tim from Texas
18073	KD6IQW	Mark from Colorado
18074	KE0ZNV	Lyle from Colorado
18075	W6CEC	Clayton from Texas
18076	KB7FHK	Ace from West Virginia
18077	W5ZM	Pascal from Texas
18078	W5TPK	Tyler from Arkansas
18079	KE0HJP	Byron from Iowa
18080	KO4FKE	Mac from North Carolina
18081	KB3PET	Bob from Pennsylvania

**Awards and TFOs**

No TFOs elected this month, but congratulations to Steven Bamber VE3JPJ for earning both the St. Patrick's Day and the Irish Awards.

**Silent Keys**

The following members have been reported as Silent Keys:

Robert C. Brown – KW3F – YLISSB:8919  
Carmine M. Izzo – WA3TIG – YLISSB:14610  
Walter E. Miller – WA8AJI – YLISSB:168  
David J. Digweed – VE3FOI – YLISSB:6861

## 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.

One bright day in January of 1964, we announced on the System that the April issue of the SSB'ers Voice would, for the first time, carry photographs and have a new format. This was exciting news and members could hardly wait to see photos. YL/OM teams were chosen. Only one page, but what exhilaration!

Pictured were Jessie and Pete Billion, WA6OET/WA6MWG, who reside in Pelos Verdes, California. Jenny and "Doc" Ralph Powell, K1LCI/W1BWM, who lived in Maine. Gladys and Art Wilson, WA2MTQ/WA2MTW from New Jersey. Eileen and Raymond Holmes, K2AJK/K2AHV, Linden, New Jersey. Shirley and Chuck Rex, K8MZT/K8MZS, Canton, Ohio. Carole and Bill Allen, K9AMD/K9AKF previously from Illinois, but now residing in Louisiana, and Nancy and Dick Fogarty, WA8CGZ/WA8CHA, previously residing in Detroit. There has been a change in Nancy's call, she now is in 7-land. They are especially popular with DX stations as Nevada has always been rare for many.

Each of these YL/OM teams have claims to fame in their various fields of endeavor. They run the gamut from the skies to deep into the earth. Pete flies with United Airlines, Bill is a geologist, Dick is an engineer with Chevy Engineering – General Motors Tech Center, Chuck is in Civil Defense, Art builds electronic equipment, "Doc" Ralph keeps people fit, Raymond does many things including keeping Eileen's equipment in order, and Nick is retired.

**YLISSB – Tracing the History (Cont.)**

As for the ladies, there could never be assembled a more talented group! Jesse was SSB'ers second president. Eileen VP for several years. Shirley writes columns for "Buckeye Belles", and so on down the line of achievement from music to expert housewives!

SSB'ers Voice #3 had carried the promise of a "forthcoming Insignia" and it had been decided upon. The "Torch of Friendship" became SSB'ers Insignia, gracing the front cover of SSB'ers #4. There was general applause and great pride in this selection, for the Torch embodies the specific ideals and purpose of SSB'ers.

To be continued next month ...

**And finally...**

Spring finally arrived in Wisconsin! My XYL has been pointing out all the apple blossoms erupting on all the apple trees I have planted during the last six years we've had the place. Five years ago I bought a nice small little stainless steel cruncher pot, with which to convert apples into hard cider, applesauce, and even more hard cider.

Did I tell you that my XYL has been pointing out all the apple blossoms... Yep, you guessed it. I now have blossoms like Carter had little liver pills, and I'm really really getting tired of my XYL pointing out all those apple blossoms and smiling that quiet smug smile when you know that she knows that you've really screwed up this time and there's nothing you can do about it either.

So, if you happen to be around Brodhead, Wisconsin in the middle of the night and you see a guy snipping off all those nasty little apple blossoms in the middle of the night....

...I say they had it coming. And that's my story, and I'm clinging to it!

K5SSL said it best... Enjoy the Day!



If you have stuff you'd like to see published in The Communicator, please send it to me at [jim@pandzik.com](mailto: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!