



the

# COMMUNICATOR

❖ May 2022 ❖ The YL System since 1963 ❖ Issue #303 ❖

## Inside this issue:

President's Report	1-2
Awards	1
Silent Keys	2
Anniversaries	3-4
New Members	7
Birthdays	5
History	6-7
Special Days	8
Final Word	9

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

May 2022

### SPECIAL DAYS ON THE SYSTEM

May 4 is May Day. Contact ten (10) members whose YLISSB numbers are below 17,000 to earn this award. K4ICA will count as two contacts. Send your application to our Award Chairman, Lynn N0PMQ at [lynnjanes@ymail.com](mailto:lynnjanes@ymail.com).

### MONTHLY AWARDS

From May 1 through May 31, contact 30 members whose membership number is below 16500 to earn the beautiful Old Timer's Award. Submit your award applications to our Award Chairmen, Lynn, N0PMQ at [lynnjanes@ymail.com](mailto:lynnjanes@ymail.com).

### CONVENTION 2022

We are planning on holding an in-person Convention in Springfield, Missouri between June 6 and 10, 2022. Elsie N0ESJ and Lynn N0PMQ are busy making plans to have one of the best conventions ever. Check the webpage for more information, and plan on attending. If you have never attended an in-person convention, I can guarantee you'll be thrilled.

## AWARDS AND TFOs

April had no TFOs or Awards

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT (cont'd)

### BOUTIQUE

There will be a Boutique at the Convention, with all proceeds to go to the Scholarship Fund. The boutique is composed of items donated by our members for sale during the Convention. Items can be something to do with radio, something sewn, something old, or just about anything that you'd like to donate. If items do not sell at the boutique, they will be auctioned off following the banquet. All members are urged to donate. You can mail your donations to Lynn Janes N0PMQ, 7415 S 525 Rd, El Dorado Springs, MO 64744.

### 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.

### MEET AND GREET

The Meet and Greet held on Zoom April 23 was a smashing success. Thanks to Kevin K0KLB for an exciting presentation.

### THE YL SYSTEM

Remember, we are a System, and not a net. We have been known as the YL System for nearly 60 years, so please honor that heritage, and refer to us as the YL System.

### QSL MANAGER WANTED

The YL System would like to have someone volunteer to serve as QSL manager for our Club Call, K4ICA. If you are interested in this position, please contact me at [kl7fqq@yahoo.com](mailto:kl7fqq@yahoo.com).

Rose, KL7FQQ



### SILENT KEYS

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

William R. Welch – K1CN – YLISSB:14462  
Edgar M. Fleming – WD4AVU – YLISSB:10353  
Andrew Lovelace – K4BXU – YLISSB:7793  
Ralph A. Moulton – KA5RUZ – YLISSB:15883  
Jack Lovegrove – K5LOV – YLISSB:15998  
Michael D. Green – WB9OKC – YLISSB:16566



Respectfully,  
Jim Pandzik KE9PK  
Condolence Chair

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

<b>W0UXO Rick &amp; Cindy</b>	<b>KT4LS Lee &amp; Katrina</b>
<b>N0GRZ Grizz &amp; Spouse</b>	<b>KX4BE Peter &amp; Karen</b>
<b>KE0TTR Dr. Bob &amp; Spouse</b>	<b>W4KEF Ken &amp; Cathy</b>
<b>KE0ZSV Tom &amp; Anna</b>	<b>N4TLT Terry &amp; Linda</b>
<b>N0DXX Larry &amp; Mary</b>	<b>KN4DUX Steve &amp; Robin</b>
<b>KA0DDW Steve &amp; Spouse</b>	<b>N4IUF Dee &amp; Patricia</b>
<b>K0ROD Rod &amp; Spouse</b>	<b>N5OKU Michael &amp; Julie</b>
<b>AI1U Anthony &amp; Spouse</b>	<b>NV5D Marty &amp; Rita</b>
<b>W1FGN Dave &amp; Cindy</b>	<b>W5DTB Daren &amp; Debbie</b>
<b>WZ1F Lee &amp; Spouse</b>	<b>KG5MSS Tommy &amp; Meg</b>
<b>WB2KUT Jack &amp; Denise</b>	<b>K5FEL Jim &amp; Dori</b>
<b>2M0DDS David &amp; Teresa</b>	<b>W5COE James &amp; Hazel</b>
<b>WA2IUS Steve &amp; Irena</b>	<b>KG5URA David &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>WB2LKO Slep &amp; Nanare</b>	<b>K5MPD Mike &amp; Patricia</b>
<b>KB2VRO Jim &amp; Peggy</b>	<b>KI5OII Louis &amp; Anita</b>
<b>KD2JH Clark &amp; Carol</b>	<b>NA6US Dwayne &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>K3UUF Eric &amp; Carmen</b>	<b>W6GRO Michael &amp; Joann</b>
<b>K3EDP Bob &amp; Nancy</b>	<b>NB6M Wayne &amp; W7SKM Sandra</b>
<b>KC3FZM Dan &amp; KC3LGF Ginger</b>	<b>WW6DCL Dave &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>3B8FP Rachid &amp; Spouse</b>	<b>W6CQR Dan &amp; Lea</b>
<b>KC3NCS Timothy &amp; Toni</b>	<b>KG6MTC Ted &amp; Spouse</b>

MAY ANNIVERSARIES (cont'd)

<b>KD6IQW Mark &amp; Spouse</b>	<b>KC9LQ Bob &amp; Latie</b>
<b>KN6EWM Mike &amp; Cathi</b>	<b>WG9O Skip &amp; Amela</b>
<b>K7IP Douglas &amp; Tami</b>	<b>KK0COP Rick &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>VA7JSF Jim &amp; Joanne</b>	<b>9V1CE Kevin &amp; Jasmine</b>
<b>K7RRT Mike &amp; Kathy</b>	<b>WD5EBX Keith &amp; Shirley</b>
<b>NV7LV Dave &amp; Melissa</b>	<b>WB9RYJ George &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>W7PML Pedro &amp; Blanca</b>	<b>W0BET Darrell &amp; Karen</b>
<b>N7AZZ Kirk &amp; Laura</b>	<b>K5BEG Mike &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>K7DJE Dave &amp; Barb</b>	<b>KC3DJV Bret &amp; Mary Jane</b>
<b>K8RRC Cort &amp; Louisa</b>	<b>N7XXC Jim &amp; Kari</b>
<b>N8GDB Sid &amp; Marlene</b>	<b>W1DAM Steve &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>W8AGI Guy &amp; Sandy</b>	<b>KE5DX Shelly &amp; KE5CPA Scott</b>
<b>N9YBK Matt &amp; Barbara</b>	<b>KI5SKF Scott &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>KX9KX Tom &amp; Natalie</b>	<b>KI5QAT Val &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>KD9LDD Gregory &amp; Spouse</b>	<b>KE7TYO Rick &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>KD9HCY Scott &amp; Hollie</b>	<b>KV4FQ Larry &amp; Rosa</b>
<b>W9HVV John &amp; Gail</b>	<b>KB8ZIO Arthur &amp; Pam</b>
<b>KD9AMP JD &amp; Suzy</b>	<b>KE5UHO Robert &amp; Spouse</b>
<b>KD9OQK Tom &amp; Kris</b>	

If I missed your anniversary, please let me know at  
[i.am.k9sun.shine@gmail.com](mailto:i.am.k9sun.shine@gmail.com)

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

KR0ARK	2M0DDS	K4XRT	WB7VNL	W2DVE
KD0VEP	KC2ATK	AE5FK	N7DPX	KF0GIS
WA0PFV	KA2R	WA5JDV	KF7SIO	KC5VBI
W0TDL	K2BXG	W5CAP	AE7YH	KC5VBI
KD0VBK	KG2PM	W5AJO	AC7KN	AI5DN
KE0ABP	WB2LKO	N5JED	WX7MRI	KD9ISC
KB0OU	N3MAV	KR5LYS	NA7V	W2AJR
K0ZAR	WY3T	K5YNC	K7REK	N0DGU
K0PIR	K3EDP	KW5EBB	K7RRT	KG4WWX
N0ARN	W3ZR	KF5VQS	NV7LV	K5KEL
AB0XS	WB3AMR	W5BGM	KA7VPR	KO4MLX
KB0OFM	KC3FZM	W5CJC	AB7RR	N3WBY
K0KWH	KI4NSP	KB5IOC	K7EAD	KK5GY
KA0WTY	W4YL	KE5DGT	KD8KBX	KI5AYW
WD0GPS	KK4EGZ	WT5O	KB8ESY	KD8HDK
AA0RI	WQ4W	KI5LFM	KE8QER	W5KDI
K0DAR	KM4WNK	KC5QDF	W8HSM	KJ7ZMQ
K1RAA	W4DDT	KG5WSA	K9EJI	KE8UIV
KB1RVU	KK4SRO	KI5GYF	AC9TU	N1ET
KB1RSE	KI4PSR	WB5WTF	WB9TQW	KM6ACF
W1PEF	K4ZEE	K5HRV	K9POL	K7UTU
W1ELM	KD8KBX	AI6B	KD9HYM	K2LOR
N1QLL	W4HUF	WB6LAU	K0DAR	
AD1ET	KD4NKU	KH6CB	KC3PPC	
KE1RR	K4JMG	KB6KB	KI7PNM	
W1SAV	K4PVK	K7OUO	KD7TTY	

If I missed your birthday, please let me know at  
[i.am.k9sun.shine@gmail.com](mailto:i.am.k9sun.shine@gmail.com)





### **YLISSB – Tracing the History**

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

The annual YLISSB convention has been a regular event since 1966. It has presented an opportunity to not only conduct System business, but also to meet and get to know the faces behind the call signs. It has also provided a forum to recognize and reward members for their serve to the System and its mission.

The first convention was held in Miami, Florida in association with the Southeastern Division of ARRL and the Tri-County Hamboree. The success of this first gathering resulted in the continued annual planning of an independent YLISSB convention held in different location across the United States, Canada, and Caribbean.

The conventions have typically been organized and hosted by YLISSB members who lived in the chosen location. COVID interrupted the “in person” convention in 2020 and 2021. However, the convention was still offered via a Zoom digital broadcast. An abbreviated listing of conventions held since 2000 is offered below. A complete listing of convention locations in available in the History booklet found on the YLISSB website.

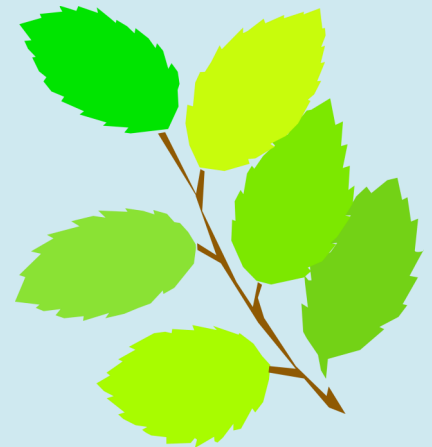
2000	El Paso, Texas	2011	San Pedro, California
2001	Fort Dodge, Iowa	2012	South Padre Isl., Texas
2002	Fairbanks, Alaska	2013	Colorado Springs, CO.
2003	Caribbean Cruise	2014	Sarasota. Florida
2004	Nashville, Tennessee	2015	Erwin. Tennessee
2005	Bismarck, N. Dakota	2016	Grand Fork, N. Dakota
2006	Branson, Missouri	2017	Edinburgh, Indiana
2007	Durango, Colorado	2018	Lancaster, Pennsylvania
2008	Halifax, Canada	2019	Fairbanks, Alaska
2009	Spokane, Washington		
2010	Columbia, South Carolina		

## YLISSB – Tracing the History

In addition, convention attendees have always had the opportunity to visit popular tourist/historical sites as well as participate in fun social events. These activities have resulted in fond memories and close friendship among members and spouses.

Make sure to check out pictures from the many past convention which are found on the YLISSB website under Convention archives. Finally consider attending a future convention and create your own memories.

To be continued next month...



### NEW MEMBERS

**K7LLL Albert OR**  
**K9OPS Tom NV**  
**K4ROC Darren VA**  
**WE4AU Tom AL**  
**W3SSB Scott SC**  
**AG5YU Philip TX**  
**AA0GP Thomas SD**  
**KJ7ZMQ Steven OR**  
**KE8UIV Joseph OH**  
**KD5TEO Nathan TX**  
**N1ET Robert RI**  
**KI5TBQ Ricky MS**  
**KM6ACF Derrick CA**

**KB8ZIO Arthur WV**  
**K7UTU Eric AZ**  
**KE5UHO Robert TX**  
**KE5POB Jack LA**  
**K1RJL Raymond FL**  
**KD4IKV Harry FL**  
**KI5NXR Tiffanie TX**  
**NY9X Christopher IL**  
**N8DAW Michael OH**  
**W5RHB Robert TX**  
**K2LOR Michael NY**  
**KD4KGI John TN**

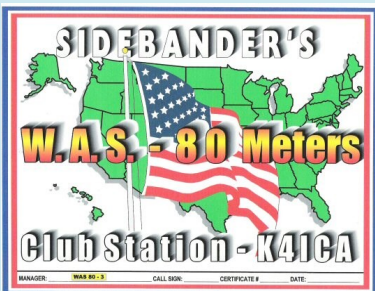
For the year 2021, the YLISSB has set aside special days each month to work for a special DAILY AWARD. There are also special MONTHLY AWARDS that are listed



in the Awards Criteria. For the SPECIAL DAYS, the hunting is just for that day, but it can be obtained by working stations on System frequencies on different bands. For instance, if the award says January 22, you can work K4ICA on the 20 M System at any time on January 8, and you can also count K4ICA if you

work it on the 40 M System. IF you complete all 12 Special Day awards for 2021, you will be given a special Award at the next convention. A special request goes

out to those members holding the particular noted awards or honor required for obtaining the Special Day award. Please make an effort on those days to be on the System to help our fellow members qualify for the awards. K4ICA may count for more than one contact. Check the web page for final details.



**Plaque: ALL STATES: ( 50 )**

After all 50 individual State certificates are collected, the holder may then apply for an All States 10 by 50 Plaque.

The cost of the plaque will be determined at the time of application, UNLESS the applicant rendered \$5.00 for each of the 50 state certificates. If the \$5.00 fee was paid each time, the Plaque will be free to that person. The All States Plaque will be worth an additional 50 points toward the Award Program in addition to the ( 5 ) points earned with each of the State Certificate.

**AMBASSADOR CORPS AWARD – 15**

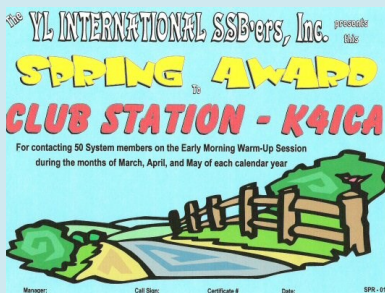
Fee— \$5.00 US  
Start date January 1

Issued for contacting 14 Ambassador Corps members plus one Ambassador Extraordinaire. Contacts may be made on any combination of System frequencies or modes. All contacts must be made without assistance.



**SPRING AWARD ( 10 )**

Fee— \$5.00 US  
Start date March 1



This award is earned by working any 50 members during the System's Sunrise Portion and ONLY during the months of March, April, and May.

USP Mail your payment and qualifying QSO's to:

Lynn Janes, N0PMQ  
Elsie Janes N0ESJ  
7415 S 525 Road  
El Dorado Springs, MO 64744  
elsiejanes@yahoo.com  
lynnjanes@ymail.com

Need more information? Go to <https://ylsystem.org/award-programs/>

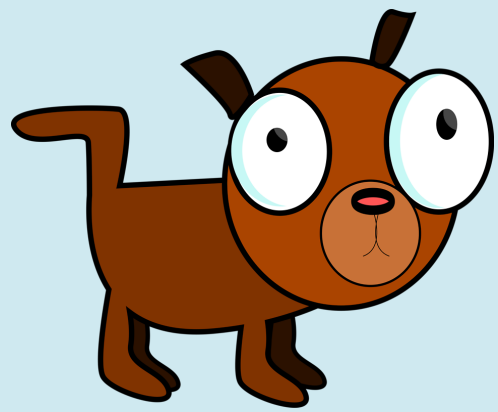
See all the contest awards available to you while making contacts with members of our YL International Single Sideband System!

# COMMUNICATOR

Did you complete the April 7 President's Day Award? Make sure to send your qualifying QSO's and fee to our contest coordinators.

**PRESIDENT'S DAY** Contact five (5) of the YLISSB past or current Presidents or Vice Presidents: K4ICA, KE5ZI, KL7FQQ, N1PVT, NF2J, W4JMJ, K4ZGH, K4DMW, AB3TY

Get more information in the President's Report or on our website.  
Award Fee-\$5.00  
USPS Mail your payment and qualifying QSO's to:  
Lynn Janes, N0PMQ or Elsie Janes N0ESJ  
7415 S 525 Road  
El Dorado Springs, MO 64744  
lynnjanes@ymail.com or elsiejanes@yahoo.com



If you have information or ideas for topics you'd like to see published in The Communicator, please send it to me, Wendy K9SUN, at [i.am.K9SUN.shine@gmail.com](mailto: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!