

DELAWARE LEHIGH AMATEUR RADIO CLUB Inc.
FEBRUARY 2017



W3OK

CORRAL

**Club Meeting February 2nd, 7:30PM At the
Bethlehem Township Community Center**

FEBRUARY MEETING PROGRAM

“Get Your Tail On The Trail”

Elissa Garofalo



“ QUARTZ FEST 2016 “
AI / W3CE & Barb / W3ATC

MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY MEETING



The general membership meeting of the Delaware Lehigh Amateur Radio Club was held on January 5, 2017 at the Bethlehem Township Community Center, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania

Call to Order: Bill / W3MJ, President at 19:30 hrs.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Bill / W3MJ.

The President welcomed and thanked all for coming and wished everyone a Happy New-year.

Before starting he Stated that due to the past resignations he has appointed Lester / W3LES as the new Station Manager and Club Secretary for the remaining of his Board term.

Secretary's Report: Lester stated that there were no minutes from our December meeting submitted.

Treasure's Report: Mike / KB3LOD gave his report and on a Motion to accept by AI / W3CE and seconded by Jay / N3OW. the Motion was so moved by vote.

Club Station: Lester / W3LES reported that the club Owed radios (Kenwood 590&440s) were connected and working fine. And that it is Your Club Station come out and use it. Also stating that we only had the fan dipole on the tower and the beam to use anymore which work Great. But the other Wire antennas that were there had been removed as well as some coax, computer monitors, and some other things that were the property of another Member. Lester also stated that security is a factor at the Milk House and too many Keys have been handed out this includes county workers. So since the prior camera security (personal property) was removed it needs to be but back in place so we can see who is going in and out. He said that at the prior Board Meeting the Directors agreed to have him order replacements, and he will take care of replacing the 2 cameras that were there with new ones. And finely though a couple of kind members the items that were removed are being replaced. He is keeping a list of donors and donations so thank you letters can be sent out. The statement about Keys brought on a discussion of who had keys and why. We were informed that there were 6 Main County(911) issued Keys hand out and who has them. The President appointed a Key committee of three to Look into and solve this problem the Chairman is Skip / K2BDA and he will report his findings to the Board.

Club Repeater: AI / WC3E mentioned that there is a problem with the D-Star computer software and is being looked into by George / N3SQD, Ben / KB3CTX, and himself.

Membership: George / N3SQD is now handing the duties of Membership info and Cards, asking all to be patient as he is doing his best but if anyone wants to lend a hand Please contact him.

New Business: Doreen / K3PDL mentioned that this weekend she hopes that there will be some of the members will also be traveling to the Harrisburg Farm Show as there will be a lot to see.

George / N3SQD stated that this year's Field Day will probably be held somewhere else as the dates we need have been booked, and if anyone has any other places they are sure about to also contact him. But Our Picnic will be at the Same location in August.

Barry / KU3X handed to the secretary the DLARC Equipment Loaner Policy to be posted at the Station Club House for ALL to FOLLOW.

Secretary's Note if I have missed anything in the minutes or forgotten I am sorry, haven't done short hand in years Hi Hi guess I'll have to get a Recorder.

Respectively Submitted

Lester Morrow / W3LES

FEBRUARY QUICK CHECK CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 DLARC Net (KB3CTX)	2 DL ARC MEETING 7:30 PM	3 NO VE SESSION	4
5	6	7 SPRING CLASSES BEGIN	8 DLARC Net (K3PDL)	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 DLARC Net (W3NAM)	16 DLARC BOARD MEETING	17	16
19	20 President's Day	21	22 DLARC Net (ND3JJ)	23	24	25
26	27	28				





FEBRUARY CONTESTING AT THE OK CORRAL

- February 4 & 5 – British Columbia QSO Party
 - Mexico International RTTY Contest
- February 11 & 12 – CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest
 - Dutch PACC Contest
- February 18 & 19 – ARRL International DX Contest - CW
 - Russian PSK WW Contest
- February 25 & 26 – CQ 160-meter Contest – SSB
 - UKEICC 80 Meter Contest
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VE TEST SESSION

There will not be a test session this month. The next test session will be March 3rd at 7 PM at the Northampton County 911 center. Pretest registration is required. Contact Dean / N3HOG at dk28@ptd.net

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE!

It's that time, already! DUES are payable for the calendar year 2017. Here's how easy it is to remit your club DUES and keep your valuable D.L.A.R.C. Membership current. Whether in person or by mail, **CHECKS made payable to the D.L.A.R.C.** are the preferred method of payment to more accurately record your timely renewal. Please ensure that your callsign appears somewhere on the instrument, such as in the memo field. Paying with cash is discouraged, but if you really, *really* have to, kindly make certain you are prepared with the correct sum according to the rate table shown below. Remember, if your DUES are not paid by February 1st, your membership will expire.

2017 DUES Rates / No Changes

Regular Membership 18-64 years of age:

Jan. - Dec.\$17.-

65 and over, or retired from all forms of employment (no age limit)

Jan. - Dec.\$12.-

Additional Family member
each \$3.-

Associate Individual Membership
\$10.-

You are strongly encouraged to MAIL your DUES so that I may conduct the bulk of the record-keeping duties apart from where I believe you deserve the most of my attention. In person at Club Meetings, I'd prefer to answer your questions, address your concerns, and welcome your thoughtful revenue raising and savings ideas. Therefore, it is firmly advocated that DUES correspondence be mailed to:

Michael J. Gower

1511 Shelbourne Drive

Bethlehem, Pa. 18018

Enclosing a S.A.S.E will bring your new membership card back to you immediately if you can't attend the next Meeting where they are routinely distributed. You may write to me anytime with questions regarding DUES, or to discuss issues that you believe are my responsibility at: Treasurer@dlarc.org Include your phone number if you prefer a live reply.

de Mike / KB3LOD, DLARC Treasurer

HARD COPY SUBSCRIPTION

You must sign up if you want a hard copy newsletter subscription. The rate is \$12, this is exclusively for the newsletter only, to cover printing and mailing. The price of maintaining a Bulk Mailing Permit is too expensive to justify with the size of our membership, thus the first class postage requirement. This will squarely cover the cost of paper and printing supplies for 12 issues. To subscribe contact Pete / NL7XM at nl7xm@arrl.net

DLARC AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE CLASSES

de Bob/KE3AW

The Spring Series of Amateur Radio Classes for prospective hams and licensed hams wishing to upgrade to the General license, will begin on Tuesday, March 7 at the 911 Communication Center. It is not too early to register for the 9 Tuesday evening classes, 7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

In our Fall entry-level Tech class we had too many registrants for the room size, therefore we placed the overflow of the last registrants on a delayed list. Now they are registered for the Spring classes. At this point we are still accepting registrations.

Please pass the word to family and friends. Anyone interested in registering, or with questions, should contact me at KE3AW@arrl.net or phone 610.432.8286.

We will register people onto the roster on a first-come, first-served basis. If we go over 25 again for the Technician Class we will offer priority placement on the Fall, 2017 list.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please check the web page roster listing. It is important that your telephone number and email address are correct. This is the only way we can contact members. If you do not receive the newsletter in your email and are registered for the phone tree and do receive the notices by phone, your email address is incorrect on the roster, and the same for your telephone number.

MONTHLY BRAIN TEASER

"A special prize awaits the first Club Member to submit the correct answer to this month's Brainteaser to the Pete / NL7XM, *only*, at nl7xm@arrl.net The winner must be present at the next Meeting to receive it, or it goes unrewarded. Officers, Board members, Newsletter staff, and Brain Teaser Authors are not eligible to win."

de Pete / NL7XM

JANUARY BRAINTEASER ANSWER

30 & 125

Winner – Barb / W3ATC

FEBRUARY BRAINTEASER



Mr. Black, Mr. Gray, and Mr. White are fighting in a duel. They each get a gun and take turns shooting at each other until only one person is left. Mr. Black, who hits his shot 1/3 of the time, gets to shoot first. Mr. Gray, who hits his shot 2/3 of the time, gets to shoot next, assuming he is still alive. Mr. White, who hits his shot all the time, shoots next, assuming he is also alive. The cycle repeats. If you are Mr. Black, where should you shoot first for the highest chance of survival?



FEBRUARY MEETING TRIVIA THEME: HEATHKIT

Past years have brought Door Prize Class gifts to attendees participating in fun activities during the 50/50 break between the DLARC Business Meeting and the formal Program Presentation.

2016 presented a departure with 12 consecutive months of highly recommended Amateur Radio related book reading.

This year, a modest prize (along with perpetual bragging rights) will go to someone in attendance who correctly answers either a *direct* Ham Radio history, related General Science, or Geography type trivia question every month during 2017. (You do *not* have to be a DLARC Member to participate.)

Certain rules will strictly apply, such as no assistance permitted whatsoever from portable devices, or whispered coaching from non-participants. Snitching on cheaters is encouraged. Scoundrels will be stripped, lashed, tarred and feathered, placed in stocks for 3 days and nights without food before being water boarded and publicly executed.

The Category for the February Meeting is, "**Heathkit.**" Brushing up on *all* aspects of this subject should give you a great advantage to answering the prepared, secret questions.

I will be the sole judge in determining the winners each month.

Vy 73, es GL.

de PeteTheGreek / NL7XM

JANUARY TRIVIA WINNER

SKIP / W1PV

RACES EMERGENCY REQUIREMENTS

As of September 2006, NIMS IS-700 and ICS-100 course certifications are required in order to receive the county issued photo IDs. The photo IDs are required by federal law for participation in, on site RACES emergency operations. These courses can be taken on line by going to www.fema.gov and following the directions. These requirements are not needed to participate in the weekly Wednesday nets. The only requirement for these nets is a valid amateur radio license and an interest in emergency communications.

DLARC MEMBER HONORED



D.L.A.R.C. Member, Bill Murphy WØRSJ is presented with the *Sarnoff Citation* at the Annual RCA Awards Banquet in NYC on November 18, 2016 for Patented contributions in the field of Telecommunications.

REFLECTIONS OF THE PAST



W3CE – WX3MAS 1969

JANUARY PROGRAM REPORT

Barb and Al presented one of the high lights of their last years vacation trip. They traveled about 2900 miles to Quartzsite, AZ. and attended the annual Quartz Fest. A week-long one-of-a-kind ham radio, camping, learning and living event. This event is totally off the grid with no conveniences, on U.S. Government land, in the Sonoran desert in the southwestern USA. In attendance were over 800 hams and their families. There were all sorts of living styles, from the big RVs to tents. No water or other facilities other than what you carried with you.

There were educational classes at QuartzFest offer something for everyone including those new to ham radio or even the most seasoned veteran. They give participants the chance to put hands-on the latest technology, learn ham radio for the first time, study advanced radio theory and to even take a glimpse into the future of radio science. The learning also continues well-beyond the technical lectures all the way from morning coffee... through social events, music, arts and crafts classes during the day... and into the evening while sitting around the campfire or while star-gazing. Al even tried his hand at off road 4 wheeling. An experience that his doesn't wish to try again, but Barb enjoyed it.

A good time was had by all and Al and Barb are off again to this years Quartz Fest.

RADIO'S FIRST LADY

Judith C. Waller

In spite of the fact that it's been done before, the most natural thing is to call Judith C. Waller radio's first lady, which she is, by double right, not only as a pioneer in the field but as an executive who dared many "firsts" in broadcasting. Miss Waller's introduction to radio was one evening in 1922 when she was called from the dinner table by Walter Strong, then business manager of the Chicago Daily News. At that time, she had her eye on the newspaper field and had asked Strong for a job. But she was somewhat startled when he called her from the table to say, "I've just bought a radio station; come on down and run it." She protested that she knew nothing about running a radio station. "Neither do I," said Strong happily, "but come on down and we'll find out." Waller accepted Strong's offer and thus began her career in broadcasting. Waller and her engineer were initially the only two employees of WGU, which went on the air April 13, 1922. It would soon later become WMAQ.

When talent ran short she doubled as announcer, played classical numbers on the song bells and admits that occasionally she filled in on the drums, too. Programs were such that often she would book a show, rush back to the Daily News office to write it and then hurry back to The Fair store, which housed the station, to announce the broadcast. Under her leadership, WMAQ evolved from a twoperson operation into one of the nation's leading stations. WMAQ was the home of *Amos 'n' Andy* and the first station to broadcast a complete home season of the Chicago Cubs baseball team, thanks to Waller's negotiations with the Chicago Cubs.

As station manager, and later, vice president and general manager of WMAQ, she was one of the early visionaries who transformed the technical achievement of radio into the popular medium it became. Waller believed that broadcasting's potential as an educational medium was unlimited. She believed that the new medium should offer more than entertainment. She developed network programs that ranged from radio's *University of Chicago Roundtable* to television's *Ding Dong School*. Her book: *Radio, the Fifth state* published in 1946, is the most thorough treatment of the broadcast practices of radio's golden age.

When NBC purchased WMAQ in November 1931, Waller became the director of public affairs programming for the network's Central Division, a position she held until her 1957 retirement.

The broadcasting industry lost one of its greatest visionaries, innovators, and unsung heroes, when on October 28, 1973, Judith Waller passed away at the age of 84.

THE DLARC FORUM

A few years ago the Executive Committee established an electronic mailing list for D.L.A.R.C. Members and friends to provide an easy way to disseminate information on a timely basis. This mailing list is called the "DLARCforum" and all club members with email capability are welcome to join.

Joining the list is easy, just go to this website :<http://mailman.gth.net/mailman/listinfo/dlarcforum> for the subscription process are available on the page. If you don't have internet service, but do have email service you can still subscribe by sending a subscription request directly to the list administrator, ka3jwe@arrl.net.

The DLARCforum is a "closed" list which means only subscribers can post messages, so your mailbox won't be filled with junk mail from unknown sources. The list uses a "text only" format which means, that only messages in plain text are passed. Messages received in HTML are filtered and stripped of any formatting before being sent out to list subscribers. The list will not accept or pass attachments such as files and pictures. This is done to eliminate the possibility of spreading any type of computer virus or other harmful programs. The forum is an "un-moderated" list, which means that there is no moderator screening messages before they are passed on.

Since its beginning, the volume of messages on the DLARCforum has been relatively low compared to other similar mailing lists. So don't worry your your inbox won't be overflowing with messages if you subscribe. There is also the ability to configure your preferences for the list to your personal liking.

So, please consider joining the list if you're not already subscribed. You'll be better informed about current club activities and also have the knowledge and experience of over half the membership at your disposal. Anything you want to know, all you have to do is ask!

de Don / KA3JWE List administrator



REPEATER ETIQUETTE

Atlantic County ARES Web Page Via **Bob Green / KE3AW**

Every couple of years it seemed we used to "remind" operators using our repeaters of the proper etiquette to be used on W3OK. With numerous new hams over the past couple years, or hams new to this area, it may be worth considering using/altering to suit us some such guide to operators in our club. I know, from recent questions to me about a number of points covered in this article, below...

Here is the Delaware-Lehigh Amateur radio Club Repeater Etiquette.

Use of the W3OK Repeater

- 1-Usage will be in accordance with FCC Rules Part 97.
- 2-Users will comply with directives of the control operator.
- 3-Transmissions will be courteous and professional. (See Basic Repeater Etiquette Below)
- 4-The time out timer is set for 90 Seconds. Keep transmissions under that time. Leave breaks between transmissions so the repeater can drop and the time out timer resets.

Basic Repeater Etiquette

- 1-Starting a QSO via a directed call. There are two main ways by which a QSO can begin, one is via a directed call and one is via monitoring. A directed call is where one amateur calls another amateur individually, such as "N3XYZ from K3ABC". In such a case, K3ABC is looking for one particular individual, N3XYZ. It generally is not an invitation for anyone other than N3XYZ to return the call. If N3XYZ doesn't answer the call, K3ABC may just clear off by saying "K3ABC clear", or may clear and listen for other calls by saying "K3ABC clear and listening". The "and listening" or "and monitoring" implies they are interested in hanging around to QSO with anyone else who might be listening at that time. "Listening" and "monitoring" don't mean you are listening to somebody else's conversation, they mean you are listening for other people who may want to call you to start a new QSO. Likewise, just saying your call by itself with nothing following it is meaningless. If you were to say "N3XYZ", people listening wouldn't know if that means you were monitoring for calls, whether you were testing, or whether they missed the callsign of a party you were calling. Be concise, but be complete.
- 2-Starting a QSO via a monitoring call. If the repeater is not in use, simply stating your callsign followed by "listening" or "monitoring" implies that you are listening to the repeater and are interested in having a QSO with anyone else. Calling CQ on a repeater is generally not common, a simple "N3XYZ listening" will suffice. There is no need to repeat the "listening" message over and over again as you might do when calling CQ on HF. Once every few minutes should be more than sufficient, and if someone hasn't answered after a few tries, it probably means there is nobody around. If someone is listening and wants to QSO, they will answer back. Avoid things like "is anybody out there" or "is there anybody around on frequency"; it sounds like a bad sci-fi movie.
- 3-Joining a QSO in progress. If there is a conversation taking place which you would like to join, simply state your callsign when one user unkeys. This is the reason for having a courtesy tone: to allow other users to break into the conversation. One of the stations in QSO, usually the station that was about to begin his transmission, will invite you to join, either before making his own transmission or afterward. Don't interrupt a QSO unless you have something to add to the topic at hand. Interrupting a conversion is no more polite on a repeater than it is in person.
- 4-Interrupting a QSO to make a call. If you need to make a directed call to another amateur but there is already another QSO going on, break into the conversation during the courtesy tone interval by saying "Call please, N3XYZ". One of the stations will allow you to make your call. If the station you are calling returns your call, you should quickly pass traffic to them and relinquish the frequency to the stations who were already in QSO; don't get into a full QSO in the middle of someone else's conversation. If you need to speak with the party you call for a significant length of time (say, more than 15 seconds), ask them to either wait until the current QSO has cleared, or ask them to move to another repeater or simplex channel to continue the conversation.
- 5-Round tables and "Turning it Over". When more than two amateurs are in a QSO, it is often referred to as a "round table" discussion. Such a QSO's usually go in order from amateur A to amateur B to amateur C ... and eventually back to amateur A again to complete the round table. To keep everyone on the same page, when any one amateur is done making a transmission, they "turn it over" to the next station in sequence (or out of sequence, if so desired). Without turning it over to a particular station when there are multiple stations in the QSO, nobody knows who is supposed to go next, and there ends up either being dead silence or several stations talking at once. At the end of a transmission, turn it over to the next station by naming them or giving their callsign, such as "...and that's that. Go ahead Joe." or "...and that's that. Go ahead XYZ." If it's been close to 10 minutes, it's a good time to identify at the same time as well, such as "...and that's that. N3XYZ, go ahead Joe."
- 6-IDing and Who's Who? By FCC regulations, you must always identify at 10 minute intervals and at the end of a transmission. If you are making a test transmission or calling another party, this is a one-way transmission. Since it has no "length" as there is no QSO taking place, you should identify each time you make a call or a test transmission. When identifying yourself and another party (or parties), or when making a directed call, your callsign goes **LAST**. "N3XYZ, K3ABC" means that K3ABC is calling N3XYZ, not the other way around. There is no need to identify each time you make a transmission, only once every 10 minutes. You do not need to identify the station with whom you are speaking, only your own callsign, but it is generally polite to remember the call of the other station. Avoid phonetics on FM unless there is a reason for using them, such as the other station misunderstanding your callsign. When phonetics are needed, stick to the standard phonetic alphabet.
- 7-Demonstrations. From time to time, an amateur may want to demonstrate the capabilities of amateur radio to another non-amateur. The typical way to do this is to ask for a "demo" such as "N3XYZ for a demonstration." Anyone who is listening to the repeater can answer them back. Usually telling the calling party your name, callsign, and location is what they are looking for, not a lengthy conversation. Someone doing a demo may ask for stations in a particular area to show the range

of amateur radio communications, such as if the calling station is in the Poconos they may ask for any stations in south Jersey or Harrisburg areas, which is more interesting than demonstrating that they can talk to someone in the same town as they are in.

- 8-Signal Reports. If you are unsure how well you are making it into the repeater, **DO NOT** kerchunk the repeater. Any time you key up the repeater, you should identify, even if you are just testing to see if you are making the machine. "N3XYZ test" is sufficient. Do not use the repeater as a "target" for tuning or aiming antennas, checking your transmitter power, etc. Use a dummy load where appropriate, or test on a simplex frequency. If you need someone to verify that you are making the repeater OK, ask for a signal report such as "N3XYZ, can someone give me a signal report?" "Radio check" is a term most often used on CB, "signal report" is what most amateurs ask for.
- 9-Language. Aside from some of the techno-syncretics inherent in amateur vernacular, use plain conversational English. The kind of English that would be suitable for prime-time television, not R rated movies. Avoid starting or encouraging conflicts on the air. If a topic of conversation starts to draw strong debate, change the subject. Avoid "radio-ese" lingo whenever possible. CB has its own language style and so does amateur radio, but the two are not the same. Amateurs have "names", not "personals". Although many new hams have graduated from the CB ranks, let's try to keep CB lingo off the amateur bands. When visiting a new repeater, take some time to monitor before jumping in to get a feel for the type of traffic and operating mannerisms of that particular system. Some repeaters are very free-wheeling in that there are people jumping in and out of conversations constantly. Others primarily have directed calls on them and discourage ragchewing. Others are member-exclusive repeaters. Listen before you talk, when in Rome do as the Romans do.
- 10-Emergencies. If there is a QSO going on, break into a conversation with the word "Break" or "Break for priority traffic." **DO NOT USE THE WORD BREAK TO JOIN IN A QSO UNLESS THERE IS AN EMERGENCY!** All stations should give immediate priority any station with emergency traffic.
- 11-Malicious Interference. If there is malicious interference, such as kerchunking, touch-tones, rude comments, etc. **DO NOT ACKNOWLEDGE IT!** Continue the QSO in a normal fashion. If the interference gets to the level where it is impossible to carry on the QSO, simply end the QSO as you normally would.
- 12-Power. Use the minimum power necessary to complete a QSO. However, the minimum power necessary doesn't just mean you are barely tickling the repeater receiver squelch. If someone says that you are noisy, increase power or relocate or take whatever measures you can to improve your signal. Continuing to make transmissions after being told your signal is noisy is inconsiderate to those listening. The amateur radio manufacturers continue to come up with newer, smaller handheld radios, many with power levels well under a watt. Many new amateurs start out with a handheld radio as their "first rig". Although convenient, they aren't the most effective radios in terms of performance. Without a good external antenna, operating a handheld radio indoors or inside a car is going to result in a lot of bad signal reports.

REDNERS' SUPERMARKETS SAVE-A-TAPE PROGRAM

Here's how it works:

Redner's has a terrific program to support the Club **AT NO COST TO THEM**, if our members simply sign up for a Gas Card that records their shopping points, and give their cash register receipts to, **Pete / NL7XM**, He'll do the rest.

Note: This does not affect your gas points in any way.

HELP THE ENVIRONMENT

Donate your old, empty printer ink cartridges to the Club for recycling. Any brand, model, size or shape; color or black. Please bring them to the meeting in a leak proof ziplock type baggie and give them to Pete / NL7XM. This simple act can help your Club by reducing recurring expenses, and make you feel a lot better about our environment.

QUOTES FROM WILL ROGERS

Will Rogers, who died in a 1935 plane crash, was one of the greatest political sages the United States has ever known.

Here are some of his best quotes:

1. Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco
2. Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.
3. There are two theories to arguing with a woman. Neither works.
4. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
5. Always drink upstream from the herd.
6. If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.
7. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back into your pocket.
8. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.
9. If you're riding' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.
10. Lettin' the cat outta the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back.
11. After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him. The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.

ABOUT GROWING OLDER...

First ~ Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

Second ~ The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.

Third ~ Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me; I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've traveled a long way, and some of the roads weren't paved.

Fourth ~ When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, think of Algebra.

Fifth ~ You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks.

Sixth ~ I don't know how I got over the hill without getting to the top.

Seventh ~ One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it's such a nice change from being young.

Eighth ~ One must wait until evening to see how splendid the day has been.

Ninth ~ Being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable.

Tenth ~ Long ago, when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft.

Today it's called golf.

And, finally ~ If you don't learn to laugh at trouble, you won't have anything to laugh at when you're old.

DEFINING A "YL" (PROPERLY)

There have been many controversies over the definitions of YL versus XYL. The term YL was first defined in a Traffic Report signed The American Radio Relay League by E. C. Adams on May 13, 1920 to Miss M. Adaire Garmhausen, 3BCK. He was replying to her submission of an article submitted to QST on "How to Build a Wireless Station".

In it he called her "My Dear YL—" and stated, "We have had to coin a new phrase for your benefit as you will readily see that OM will not fit and OL [Old Lady] would certainly be most inapplicable." Even though Miss Garmhausen wasn't the first YL ham radio operator, this is when the term was first applied specifically to label all women as Young Ladies no matter what their age.

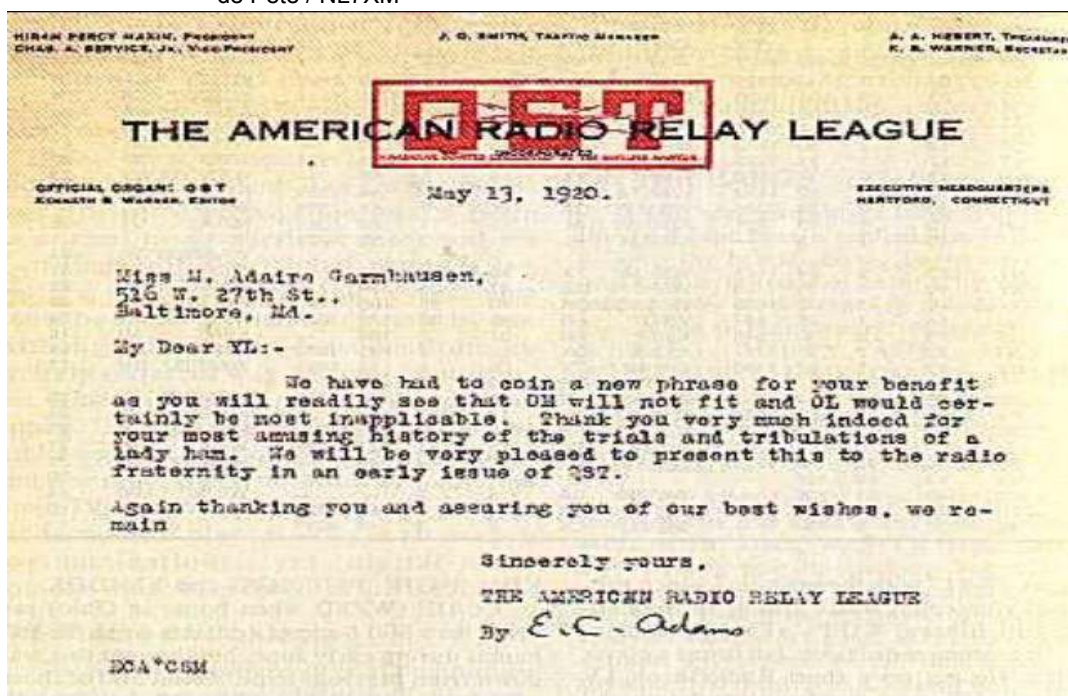
The article was published in the July 1920 issue of QST and a second article of hers followed in May 1921, but it wasn't until the October 1922 had the column "Who's Who in Amateur Wireless" that M. Adaire's picture was printed as she was honored along with another YL, Miss Winifred Dow, 7CP, from Tacoma, WA.

Many OMs have used XYL (meaning Ex-Young Lady) to describe a wife versus a single lady, but some women, though not all, take offense at this term feeling that getting married does not mean a female is no longer a Young Lady.

In May 1940, the YLRL set forth the policy for YL-Harmonics and YLRL that the term "YL" was to be used of all licensed amateur operators of the feminine persuasion. This meant they were all young ladies no matter what their marital status was. A licensed woman is a YL while an XYL is a non-licensed wife.

Lifted from: <http://www.ylrl.org/index.php/about-us/ylrl-history>

de Pete / NL7XM



F.Y.I.

The March Program will be "Restoring Old radios" - Ken / KB3MDT

The D.L.A.R.C. meets the "FIRST" Thursday of each month. Membership, friends and interested persons meet at the Bethlehem Township Community Center, 2900 Farmersville Road, Bethlehem, Pa. 18020) at 7:30 PM. Committee reports and announcements of all present and future activities will be presented at that time. Followed by that month's program.

ARES, RACES AND DLARC NET

All Radio Amateurs are welcome to participate in the ARES, RACES and DLARC net. This net meets Wednesday at 1900 hours local time, on the W3OK Repeater 51.76, 146.70 and 444.90 (pl 151.4). With an alternate frequency of 147.370 (DCS 315) W3OI Repeater.

QCWA Chapter 17 holds a net Monday evenings at 8:30 PM on 3960 +/- depending on conditions. Other inputs are the 146.85 repeater, (151.4 PL) and Echolink at K2PM-R.

Mid-Atlantic D-Star Net meets each Tuesday at 7:30 PM. The following repeaters Dstar repeaters are available in the Lehigh Valley. W3OK -145.11000MHz -0.600 Port C – W3OI -147.16500MHz +0.600 Port C, – W3OI - 445.02500MHz -5.000 Port B All repeaters on the net are linked through **Reflector 020 port A**, so all stations checking into the net should make sure that they have *their local repeater call sign followed by the letter "G" in the eight position of the RPT2 field*. Otherwise, you will only be heard locally and not over the Reflector. Dongle users wishing to check into the net should Log On by connecting directly to Reflector 20, port A, rather than through your local repeater in order to conserve local bandwidth.

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