



The above photo is entitled “The Queen And Princess Of D-Star”. This was taken at one of the first Hamventions in Xenia, Ohio...having moved from Dayton a few years earlier.

On the left is the late Connie Ballantyne, KB0ZSG. She ran the International D-Star Net for many years, but had to turn it over to Steve Reiners, KC9SIO, upon her diagnosis of breast cancer. Sadly, she passed away on Feb. 21, 2020, and she is sorely missed.

The net started on Reflector 1C, but moved to Reflector 91C. It still meets at 7pm US Central Time every Sunday. The net can last until after midnight US Time, and have well over 100 checkins, from all over the world. Steve Reiners, KC9SIO, is Net Control. We named the reflector as Reflector 91 Connie in her memory.

On the right is Danielle Eddington, KE8JNU...daughter of Dan Eddington, N8YMD, and Cindy Coons-Eddington, KE8JNT. She passed her Technician exam prior to Hamvention...then passed her General a month after Xenia Hamvention, and her Amateur Extra exam a month after that...all when she was only 9 years old!!

Danielle runs the Young Operators Digital Voice Net, at 6pm US Central Time, on the QuadNet Array. Go to www.openquad.net for connection options for D-Star, DMR, WIRES, or System Fusion.