



LAPORTE COUNTY / HARBOR BEAM January 2012



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What's
new?

WHO WE ARE

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John Phillips, KA9PGC
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Bob Smith, N9ROM
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Dan Sheetz W9DWS

Trustee K9JSI:

John Rozinski N9ROH

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Ken Osborne
Troy Harrison
Ron Stahoviak

Fund Raising:

John Rozinski
Ken Osborne
Troy Harrison
Ron Stahoviak
Ron Broviak
Mike Broviak

AMATEUR RADIO A BRIDGE TO FRIENDSHIP

Communications:

Bob Smith: N9ROM

Repeater Committee:

John Rozinski
Dave Kaufman
Ron Broviak
Dan Sheetz
Ken Osborne
Dan Foster
Mike Broviak

Internet:

Stan Vandiver
Mike Broviak

Field Day:

John Phillips

NEWS LETTER:

Ken Osborne

Activities:

John Phillips



MEETING NOTICE:

Next LaPorte County Amateur Radio Club meeting Monday January 9, 2012 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Hall 412 Lincolnway

LAPORTE COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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or

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Dan Foster, KC9GFO

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NEWS LETTER

For over year now, this news letter has been county wide, serving both clubs. Our goal is try to keep everyone informed on what is happening around the county.

This news letter isn't just about our county. We are always looking for news that is of interest to all Amateurs. If you have any news of interest, please forward it to us. Now that we are one club, if you know of friend who is not recieving this, they can subscribe to the list and they will be added. Of course, our new letter can be found on our webpage.

LaPorte County / Harbor Beam

PICTURE OF THE MONTH



Pat Mallot
Amateur of the Year



A NEW DAY

This is the first issue of our news letter since the Michigan City and the LaPorte Amateur radio clubs merged into one club now known as the LaPorte County Amateur Radio Club. This day was long time in coming. If you haven't attended any meetings in some time, you might be asking yourself, now that we are one unified club, what has changed?

To make a long story short, nothing. Both clubs have a rich history. That will not die. It is because of that rich history that brought us where we are today. For legal issues, it may appear that one club took over the other. This is not true. There can only be one Articles of Incorporation with the State of Indiana. Untill we choose a meeting location, meetings will be held in both LaPorte and Michigan City switching each month. We will still have the Cabin Fever Hamfest, a long tradition. We will still have the Heston Fund Raiser, Field Day and all the other events.

If you are paid member of either club, you are a paid member of the LaPorte County

Amateur Radio Club, with full voting rights. If you are Life Member, you remain a life member. For the first year, Officers and Board Members of both clubs are now one expanded Board. The new board will select new officers to serve until elections can be held. Next month we will announce the officers.

Now that we are one club, we will be reaching out to all amateurs in the county. We will have two fund raisers. Being one club we now have a greater pool of resources to draw from. The callsigns of both repeater systems will remain the same.

This is a great time for us to grow. The years ahead of us should be exciting.

In many ways, we had come together along time ago. Now it is on paper. We held one Field Day together. Both clubs hepled with the Hamfest. Both clubs hepled with the Heston. If either club had a repeater issue or problem, members of both clubs come out and to help each other. We held one Christmas Party. In time of need amateurs from both clubs came together to do what ever was needed. The LaPorte County Amateur Radio Club is now one unified organization, reaching out and serving all Amateurs in LaPorte County.



The LaPorte County / Harbor Beam is published on the Saturday, before the first monthly club meeting, 12 times each year, as a service of the LaPorte County Amateur Club; for it's members and those interested. **Inquires and submissions should be sent to the LaPorte County / Harbor Beam Editor at our e-mail address info@lpcarc.org**



SIREN TESTS

Michigan City and LaPorte County conduct the Emergency siren test on the first Saturday of each month at 11:00am. LaPorte County wide net is 146.610, and Michigan City Local is on 146.970. Early warning sirens saves lives, and we need your help each month to assure they are working. For more information contact Bob Smith N9ROM or Ken N9ZIP.



EARLY WARNINGS SAVES LIVES

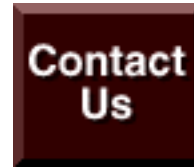
Saturday Morning Breakfast is held at **Schoops's** at 8:00am in the morning, in Michigan City. Come and join some good friends and club members for breakfast.

Thursday Morning Breakfast is held at **B&J's American Cafe**, at 8:00am. B&J's is located 607 Lincolnway, LaPorte. Come out and join some good friends for breakfast.

THINK SPRING

Soon all of this snow will be gone and summer fun is right around the corner. The National Weather Service is having a weather spotter class this year for LaPorte County. Certifications are valid for two years and classes are held every two years, so this class is required for all Skywarn Spotters. There are two classes to select from, 3:30pm and 6:00pm to be held on March 25th at PNC. Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters will receive continuing education credit hours for this class, so bring your card to be signed. SKYWARN spotters reports to and works for the National Weather Service.

Over the next couple of months, we will be running news articles on what our role is as spotters.



Our webpage: lpcarc.org

Give us your Feedback

Info E-Mail: info@lpcarc.org

We have two mailing lists up and running now.

#1 is for a general club membership mailing list: lpcarc@lpcarc.org. This for you to send members a e-mail. Such a news of death of one of our members.

#2 is for the monthly newsletter:

Here are the links for users to signup:

LPCARC mail list subscribe: <http://lists.lpcarc.org/cgi-bin/mailman/listinfo/lpcarc>

Members can also have personal webpages and we also offer club e-mail accounts that redirects e-mail to your personal account. Contact our webmaster for more information.

If you want to be added to the general member list you need to subscribe. This will allow other members to send an email to other members. As far as the News Letter, if you receive this issue you will be manually added to News Letter mail list.

After this month, if you stop receiving the New Letter subscribe to News mail list at <http://lists.lpcarc.org/cgi-bin/mailman/>

It can also be found on the new web page.

NEWS LETTER COUNTER

of reads

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1st Meeting



Come one, Come all, the first meeting of the LaPorte County Amateur Radio Club is on Monday January 9th at 7:00pm

We will meet at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 412 Lincolnway in LaPorte.

This will be long meeting with a lot of business to take of. Arrive early, get a bite to eat.

At this meeting our club will be announced formally and the selection of Officer for 2012 will be made. Each and every officer that was elected in 2011 to serve in 2012 will serve as one governing body. They were elected by the thier memberships to represent them in 2011, and they will do so for 2012.

As defined by our Merger, the Board Members will select Officers to serve for 2012 and to be ratified by the membership.

Club dues for 2012 will be address.

Committess to review the By-Laws and Insurance Polices we be selected.

We will also discuss the up and comming Hamfest and other events.

We will be discussing a membership drive.

Plan on coming out to our first meeting. Show your support. We are no longer Michigan City or LaPorte Clubs but one unified club serving all the amateurs in LaPorte County.



YOU ARE THE KEY



TIN CAN

At club meetings and other events you will see a coffee can marked the Tin Can Fund. This is a fund you can donate to help defray the cost of repairs to our mower and tower site maintance.

The LaPorte County Amateur Radio Club maintains the repeater site and it is our goal to use this fund to cover the cost with out going into the genral fund. Preventive maintence and gas is not cheap. So please help us by donating lose change or a couple of extra bucks each month.

Our repeater site is enjoyed by all amateurs. Help us by donating to the Tin Can Fund.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Starting at our first meeting, we will be accepting membership dues for 2012. We don't know what those dues are until Officers are selected and the membership votes.

Your dues can be paid at our first meeting or any meeting after that. You can send your dues to either PO Box. You can also pay your dues at the Cabin Fever Hamfest in February.

Once the membership approves the dues for 2012, the amount will be posted on our web page and FACEBOOK.

The LaPorte County Amateur Radio Club, bigger and better then ever. Join us in ushering in new era for Amateur Radio for LaPorte County Amateurs.

Did you recieve two copies of this News Letter? If the answer is YES, then everything is working. If you only recieved One copy, you will need to subscribe to recieve it. This is the last mailing from Zippy.

X-MAS PARTY REVISTED

Last month we held our annual Christmas party and the turn out was over whelming. Unlike last year where a early snow storm hit with a couple feet of snow, this year the weather was better with heavy rains and the temp around 55. We want to thank Danny and Matt for hosting us again. The party was held at the tower site, in the family room. The site was decorated with lights, and even a old fashion live christmas tree donated by the club. The turn out was great. Every one had a great time. The food was great. Mike and Ron made donations of food and Ron's Tom and Jerry's. Even though the party was held on week day, the party lasted well into the late evening.

John Phillips and Pat Mallot was named co winners, Amateur of the Year. John and Pat have worked very hard, working with the Boy Scouts and showing them what amateur radio is all about. They organized several events in 2011 and they have several events planned for 2012.



**John Phillips
Amateur of the Year**



**More Photo's on
FaceBook/lpcarc**

COMMUNICATIONS DRILL

On January 21, 2012 Indiana Department of Homeland Security will be conducting it's semi-annual communications test. The purpose of this test is to test Amateur radio by passing traffic from each county to Indianapolis. Around 7am we will open a net for check ins, and at 8:00 we will open the 146.970 repeater to the Echo Link.

Calendar
of Events



GET ON BOARD
JOIN IN THE FUN
WITH AMATEUR RADIO

CABIN FEVER HAMFEST

February 25, 2012
7:00am-1pm CST
LaPorte Civic Auditorium
1001 Ridge St, LaPorte
Talk-In 146.610
Admission \$5.00
Tables contact John N9ROH

SKYWARN

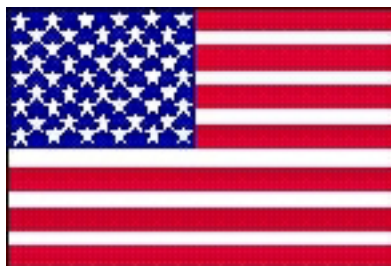
Weather Spotter Class

March 14, 2012
3:30pm & 6:00pm
Purdue University North Central
LSF Building - Rm 3
** NOTICE**

This class is only held once every two years
and is required for SKYWARN Spotters
Law Enforcement & Firefighters will receive
education credit hrs for this class

MORE EVENTS ARE IN THE PLANNING
STAGE, WE WILL HAVE THEM
HERE AS WE KNOW THE DATES
EVENTS ARE ALSO POSTED ON FACEBOOK

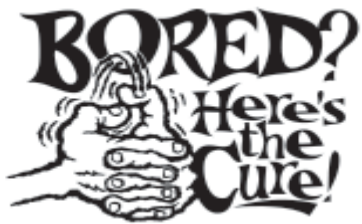
Give us your
Feedback



As always, we need your feedback.
Do you know of an event coming up, Do you have some
news of interest, or just like to comment
on our news letter.
Give us you feed back!
You can reach the News Team @
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