

LAPORTE COUNTY / HARBOR BEAM DECEMBER 2016



146.970 / 441.950 (W9LY)
DIGITAL/FM DIGITAL/ WIRES-X

146.610 (K9JSI) FM

Echolink Node: 193001 / WIRES-X #21421



WHO WE ARE

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Dave Kaufman NU9I

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Andy Baugh

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John Phillips

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Ken Osborne

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John Phillips

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Barb Cave

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Troy Harrison

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Ken Osborne

John Phillips

Dan Foster

Bob Smith

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Brian Salzer

Ken Osborne

Troy Harrison

MEETING NOTICE:

Next LaPorte County
Amateur Radio club
meeting is :

**NO
DECEMBER
MEETING**

**LAPORTE COUNTY
AMATEUR RADIO CLUB**

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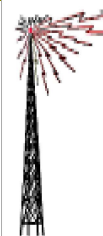
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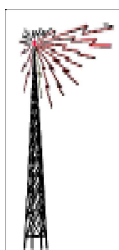
WEEKLY BREAKFAST

Club members meet for Breakfast at
**Grandma's
House of Pancakes**
502 State St, LaPorte
on Thursday's
8:00am

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CLUB DUES

Your Club Membership Dues is now being taken. Your dues can be paid any club meeting, or by mail.



2017 DUES
\$15.00

Our Mailing Address is:

LPCARC
P.O. Box 148
Michigan City, Indiana 46361



CHRISTMAS PARTY

In December we will not have a club meeting. Instead we'll have our annual Christmas Party. Once again, the party will be held at the tower site. The club will provide the main dish and drinks. We ask that you bring a side dish. We also ask for a \$5.00 per/person donation to help defray the cost.

Date and Time: **December 10th 5pm**

Once again, we'll have our STEAL A GIFT, Gift Exchange. The rules are simple. Bring a wrapped gift \$15.00 or under. When you arrive, with your gift, a sign in sheet will be at the gift table. When you place your gift, on the table, you sign the sheet. When it's time for the exchange, the first person, on the list, selects which gift they want, and opens it for all to see. When all the gifts are open, we ask, "WHO WANTS TO STEAL A GIFT?"

For a donation of \$1.00 to the club, you can steal someones gift they recieved by trading gifts. There is no limit on the number of steals. It's allot of fun, you never know who is going to bring what.

The party will be held, at the tower site. It's is family event. Friends and Guest are welcome.



TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Twass the night before Christmas, with my new radio in place,
Not a radio was stirring, not even my base.
The radio was tuned in the shack with care,
In hopes that someone soon would be there.

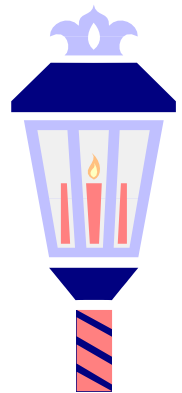


The children were nestled all snug in their bed,
I took out my headphones, and placed them on my head.
I keyed up the radio and nothing was heard,
The repeater wasn't working, that was weird.

I called Dan to tell him that we had no chatter,
He sprang from the couch to see what was the matter.
Away to the tower he flew like a flash,
He ran up the stairs like a twenty yard dash.

The moon on the breast of the new fallen snow,
Dan took a momnet to look at the ground below.
He looked at see if the problem should appear,
Why it wasn't working wasn't very clear.

With a little old screw driver, he poked a bit,
He even checked our Wires-X, and all the lights were lit.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
Then he whistled in the mic, then called my name.



CQ CQ he called in the night!
Still the repeater wasn't working, not that's not right!
He checked the coax attached to the wall!
He took the mic to make another call!

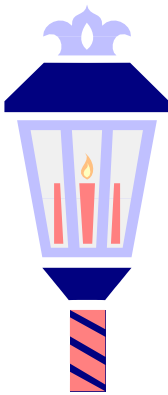


As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
maybe it is the antenna mounted in the sky.
So up to the roof-top he quickly flew,
With tools in his pouch, and large hammer too.



And then, in flash, he was on the roof,
The wind was so cold, he wish he had some eighty proof.
As he climbed out of the hatch and he looked around,
The hammer held suddenly fell to the ground.

Dan was dressed in Cartharts, from his head to his foot,
He adjusted his tool belt, so that tools would stay put.
With a bundle of coax he flung on his back,
He looked around the feedling to see if it was cracked.



Dan's eyes-how they twinkled! His dimples how merry!
His cheeks were cold, his nose like a cheery!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
As he looked across the land that was white with snow.

The wind blew cold as he gritted his teeth,
Then he saw the glow from the tower's Christmas wreath.
He then went to work and checked the hardline,
The shook his head, because it was fine.

With the Christmas wreath's red glow, he looked liked an elf,
He paused and laughed, in spite of himself.
A wink of his eye and twist of his head,
He knew the problem was nothing to dread.

He left the roof, climbing down the stairs,
He thought there must be someway to make repairs.
Still as he wondred, but he did not fret,
He went to the controller and pushed the reset.



The repeater sprang to life, and he confirmed with a whistle,
then away home, he flew like a thistle.
And I heard him exclaim, 'on the radio', as he drove out of sight,
"MERRY CHRISTMAS to all, and to all a good-night!"



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Our Annual Christmas Party is
Saturday
December 10th
at 5pm

Location: Tower Site
US 35 & SCHULTZ RD

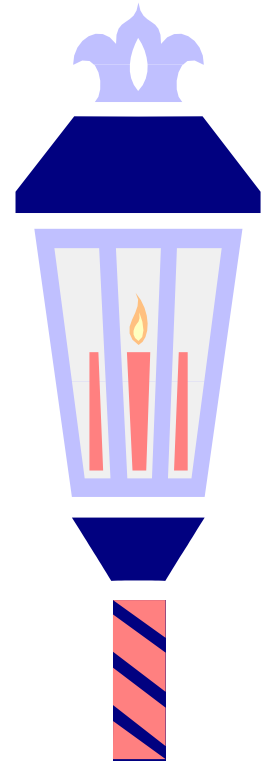


Please bring a side dish
Main course and Drinks
provided by the club.

A \$5.00 donation per/person
at the door to help with cost.

STEAL A GIFT
\$15 and under

FAMILY & FRIENDS
WELCOME



Calendar of Events



**GET ON BOARD
JOIN IN THE FUN
WITH AMATEUR RADIO**

LaPorte County Amateur Radio Club Meeting Calendar for 2016

JAN FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC

Meeting	18	22	21	18	16	20	18	15	19	17	21	10
Location	LP	LP	LP	LP	TS	TS	TS	TS	LP	LP	LP	TS

LP= LaPorte Knights of Columbus TS= Tower Site, U.S. 35 & Schultz Rd.

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HAMFEST