



# THE BANDSPREAD



## Local Nets

Monday Evening .....Clay Co. ARES Net  
9:00 pm EST .....145.420/R

Tuesday Evening .Verm./Parke ARES Net  
8:00 pm EST .....146.715/R

Tuesday Evening .....Vigo Co. Emcomm  
Net  
9:00 pm EST .....146.805/R  
9:30 pm EST .....444.350/R

Wednesday Evening...Sullivan ARES Net  
8:30 pm EST .....146.775/R

Wednesday Evening .Clark Co. ARES Net  
9:00 pm EST .....146.595

Thursday Evening .....CAARLA Net  
9:00 pm EST .....146.685/R

Sunday Evening .....WVARA Net  
9:00 pm EST .....146.685/R\*

\* First Sunday of the month is  
Simplex night. The WVARA Net  
meets, that night only, on 146.595

## Regular Events

Every Thursday: The Club Station is open,  
7-9 p.m. every Thursday. The Club  
Station is located on the N.E. corner of 7<sup>th</sup>  
and Idaho. Entrance and parking back of  
building.

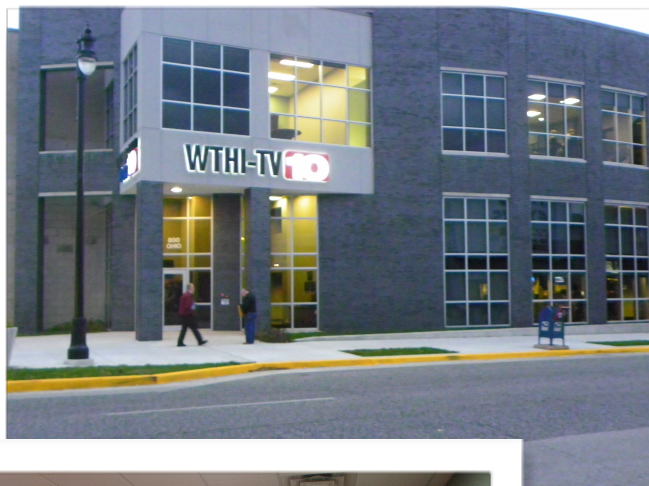
1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month: Monthly club  
meeting at Glas-Col Annex, 7PM EST  
(former Idaho Post Office Bldg),  
1715 S. 8<sup>th</sup> in Terre Haute

## WVARA Christmas Party

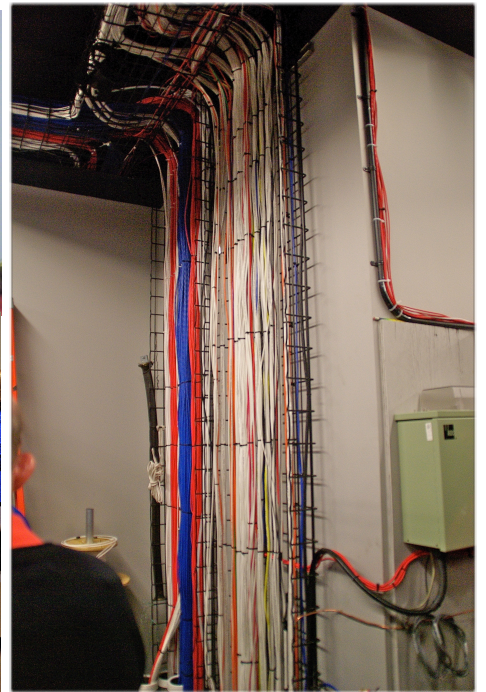
The WVARA Christmas  
Party will be on Saturday  
December 7, 2013 at St.  
Margaret Mary, located at  
2405 South 7th Street.  
Fellowship at 6:00PM and  
eat at 6:30PM. The club will  
provide meat and drinks, so  
bring a covered dish and/or  
desert and enjoy the  
evening. And don't forget a  
gift for the exchange.

## WVARA Visits New WTHI Station

Club members got a real treat as part of our November club meeting, when we were invited to visit the new WTHI station. Jeff, Eric and Les proved to be outstanding tour guides as three large groups toured the facility. The new facility is state of the art throughout, as we discovered over the course of the evening. It is always fascinating to see the studio where live news and weather are broadcast, but the control room is where the broadcast is really put together, and while no live broadcasts were in progress during the tour, the control room was still very impressive. And many members of the group had fun in front of the "green screen" where weather reports are given. They say a picture is worth a thousand words, so we will let pictures tell the rest of the story. Thanks to Gary K9ERE for photo contributions from the tour.









## Neil Rapp WB9VPG Voted IRCC Amateur Of The Year

Neil Rapp was presented with the IRCC Amateur of the Year award at the Ft. Wayne Hamfest. Neil is the youngest ever to become a member of the QCWA at 29 years of age, having earned his amateur license at the age of 5. Neil has many accomplishments as part of his ham radio resume. Talking with Neil after the award presentation, he said “Wow, it has been some year!” In addition to Neil being the IRCC Amateur of the Year, one of the members of the Bloomington High School South amateur radio club (Neil is sponsor for the club) was the 2013 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year (Padraig Lysandrou KC9UUS), and the radio club was at the top of the list in the recently completed School Club Roundup. Neil also shared that he had just finished writing his recommendation for Padraig’s application to MIT.

Congratulations to Neil on his award. With folks like Neil promoting ham radio, the future of our hobby is certainly bright.



IRCC Vice-Chair Dennis Gilbert, Neil Rapp, and IRCC Chair Jack Parker



The 2013 IRCC Amateur of the Year Nominees with IRCC

### Nominating Committee Report - November, 2013

#### **“BYLAWS ARTICLE V – NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS**

**Section I - Nominating Committee** “A nominating committee shall be appointed by the President in September to select a slate of candidates who have agreed to serve as officers if elected. The committee's report will be due in November and shall be published in the December issue of The Bandspread.”

**It is NOT the responsibility of the Nominating Committee to find every qualified candidate for each office. It is rather to find at least one qualified candidate for each office to ensure that we have a complete, capable and functioning WVARA Board of Directors. The following people have agreed to their nomination as officers for the 2013 WVARA Board of Directors:**

**PRESIDENT:** Chuck Procarione, W9COD  
**SECRETARY:** Mike St. Clair, N1WVU  
**TRUSTEE:** Gary Adams, W9EEU

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Gerry Cockrell W9GWC  
**TREASURER:** Ken Hauptli, W9VKD

**This does not mean that others not chosen would not do as fine a job, nor that they should not run in the upcoming election. So... if there are any of you out there who would like to run for office, and are qualified, please contact us or any current Board member and we will see that you are put on the official ballot in the December election along with those listed above. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor on election night.**



## Nominations for the 2014 Brentlinger Awards Are Now Being Accepted

Through the annual Brentlinger Award, the Association honors outstanding amateurs in the Wabash Valley. Members of the WVARA as well as non-members may nominate candidates. The service for which candidates are nominated may be for the preceding calendar year or it may be for cumulative years of service.

The Brentlinger Award has been a part of the Wabash Valley since 1947, and many deserving amateurs have been recognized over those many years. Each year a secret committee, appointed by the president, reviews all nomination letters received by the January 15 deadline. They review the accomplishments of each nominee, and make a determination of recipient(s). The committee makes their determination on the content of the nomination letter. This is important because nominees may, or may not be known, by the members serving on the committee.

If you would like to make a nomination for the 2014 Brentlinger Award, write a nomination letter describing the accomplishments of the nominee. The letter should contain details of what the nominee has done in contributing to ham radio. This can be for recent contributions, or for those things that have been done over a period of years. If you know someone that you think is deserving and are not sure how to write the nomination letter, get in touch with someone and ask them to help you write the letter. A person does not have to be a WVARA member to nominate an amateur, nor does the nominee.

The deadline for nominations is January 15, 2014. You can hand deliver your nomination letter to the President before this deadline, or it must be postmarked no later than January 15, 2014 (PO Box 10081 Terre Haute IN 47801) to be accepted. The Brentlinger Award dinner will be held sometime in March with a specific date to be announced.

### AMSAT-UK FUNcube-1 Satellite in Orbit

A Russian Dnepr rocket carried AMSAT-UK's **FUNcube-1** -- now known officially as AMSAT-OSCAR 73 -- and 18 other satellites to orbit at 0710 UTC on Thursday, November 21. Ground stations began receiving telemetry from FUNcube-1 soon after deployment and the satellite appears to be functioning normally.

One of the satellites on the launch, **UniSat-5**, will deploy a number of additional satellites. Among them should be the CubeSats PUCP-SAT-1, HumSat-D, estar-2, **Icube-1** and the PocketQubes **Wren**, Eagle-1 (BeakerSat), **Eagle-2 (\$50Sat)**, QB-Scout1. PUCP-SAT-1 intends to subsequently release a further satellite Pocket-PUCP.

As well as UniSat-5 and its associated CubeSats and PocketQubes these Amateur Radio satellites were also on the launch:

HinCube	FUNcube-1	ZAcube-1	First-MOVE	UWE-3
Velox-P11	CubeBug-2	Triton-1	Delfi-n3Xt	GOMX-1

For a frequency list, see <http://amsat-uk.org/2013/11/13/three-amateur-radio-satellite-deployments-in-november/>.

The latest orbital elements for FUNcube-1 are available at <http://funcube.org.uk/working-documents/latest-two-line-elements/>.



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#### Board of Directors:

President: Chuck Procarione - W9COD  
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 Contact the webmaster at webmaster@w9uuu.org to join our list server or if you have a problem receiving the eBandspread

**Sunday Night Net Manager:** John VanSandt - N9YRX

#### WVARA Treasurer's Report October, 2013

Beginning Balance Checking: \$4,127.79

INCOME:	Y-T-D	MONTH
Dues	1,215.00	125.00
Education	195.00	
Half-Pot	80.00	18.00
Hamfest	1,395.00	
Close old Accounts	5,903.55	
Donation	85.00	
Sale of Club Equip.	375.00	
Field Day T-Shirts	216.00	

TOTAL INCOME: \$9,464.55 143.00

EXPENSES:		
Education	162.12	
Equipment Repair	393.49	
Vehicle Expense	107.55	
Hamfest	1,000.00	
Field Day	566.73	
Misc. & Food	284.54	
Insurance	532.88	
Postage	135.49	19.78
Bank/Check Charges	89.95	
Move to Savings Acct.	6,468.35	
Dues	45.00	
Equipment Purchases	3,068.40	100.00
Derry Estate	3,540.00	
Field Day Shirts	218.00	
Storage Fees	300.00	
Com Trailer Rebuild	1,560.47	1,560.47

TOTAL EXPENSE \$18,472.97 1,680.25

End Balance Checking: \$2,590.54  
 Petty Cash: 218.40  
 Capital Fund 2,075.00  
 Investment 3,194.57  
 TOTAL FUNDS: \$8,078.51

## WABASH VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - 2014

Please complete this form and include it with your dues. You may return this application in person or mail to:

WABASH VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION, INC.  
 P.O. BOX 10081  
 TERRE HAUTE, IN 47801

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_ License Class \_\_\_\_\_ ARRL MEMBER?  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (Mo/Dy/Yr) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Year first licensed \_\_\_\_\_ Year of last WVARA membership \_\_\_\_\_ New Member?  
 ARES member? QCWA member? RACES member?

This newsletter will come to you by e-mail in .pdf format unless you specifically request a paper copy below. We encourage you to choose the electronic version because: 1. It costs the Club less to produce and deliver it; and 2. In the electronic version, the pictures are in color and it arrives earlier! Of course, you can still make a paper copy of it on your printer, if you wish.

If you are applying for a family membership please list below the licensed family members [living at home] that you wish to include.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Call: \_\_\_\_\_ License Class \_\_\_\_\_ ARRL MEMBER?  
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Please add \$5 per family member above to the Single rate below. To include ARRL membership, see a current QST for the amount.

Dues options: Single (\$20) Family (Single + \$5 per family member) Add ARRL membership?\* Total pmt. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Note: 1. Payments made Sept. - Dec. apply to membership for the following year; 2. ARRL also has a family membership program as well. See QST.

\*Club gets a rebate from the ARRL!





## WVARA Testing

(Walk-ins Welcome)

Terre Haute, Indiana

2nd Saturday of every month (except July);

9:30 A.M., Indiana time

1715 S. 8th St., west side of 8th St. behind Glas-Col.

Park on side of bldg; use the front entrance on 8th St.

For further info contact:

Ray Andrews, K9DUR: 812-870-8810

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## RYVES VE Testing

(Walk-ins Welcome)

2nd Thursday of every month, 7:00 P.M., Indiana time,  
Ryves Youth Cntr at Etling Hall.

For further info contact Jim Osburn, WD9EYB, at  
812-238-0584 or [wd9eyb0409@indianakits.com](mailto:wd9eyb0409@indianakits.com)

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**Join ARRL**  
*or Renew your Membership*

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2013 = year; NL= Newsletter only  
COMP= Complimentary Membership,  
LIFE= Life Membership

If there is no symbol showing on your mailing label, this is a one-time complimentary copy of the Bandspread. If so, we invite you to fill out the enclosed membership form to join the Wabash Valley Amateur Association.

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