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# Contesting featured program in November

The next KARS meeting will be November 5th, 7PM at St. Mary's Hospital in the downstairs Board Room Use the main entrance on the South side to the elevators. Go to the basement level and exit to your right.

After a brief business meeting, there will be a program on Contesting with video graphics. See you there!

#### KARS HOLIDAY BANQUET

By popular demand, the KARS Holiday Banquet will again be held at the Brickstone Brewery & Restaurant in Bourbonnais.

Club sponsored hors d'oeuvres friendly socializing and lots of prizes!

See page two for specifics!

#### TRANSMITTER HUNTS

Fox hunts are still in demand and will continue as long as the weather permits.

The next hunt will be Sunday November 10th at 3-5 PM. The foxes to be Paul W9IEY and Terry, winners of the last hunt.

Because of other seasonal and ham radio events, the next weekend available will be November 30th to The Kankakee Area Radio Society oper-December 1st. If the weather ates repeaters on: cooperates, we will probably have the 146.34/.94 last hunt of 2019 then. Tally Ho!

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

November 2nd N9BMB November 3rd KC9FAV November 6th KD9FVR November 8th KC6FJO November 10th KC9QPM November 12th N9IO November 20th AI9L

Let us know if we miss your birthday or get it wrong.



**Eagerly Awaiting Start of Auction at** October meeting

#### KARS KAI FNDAR

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Nov 2-4	ARRL Sweepstakes CW
Nov 5	KARS General Meeting
Nov 10	Transmitter Hunt
Nov 9-10	<u>WAE DX RTTY</u>
Nov 16-18	ARRL Sweepstakes SSB
Nov 19	KARS Board Meeting
Nov 23-24	CQWW DX CW
Nov 28	THANKSGIVINGI
Dec 3	KARS General Meeting
Dec 6-8	ARRL 160 Contest
Dec 14-15	ARRL 10 Meter Contest
Dec 17	KARS Board Meeting
Dec 25	Merry Christmasi
Dec 28-29	Stew Perry 160 Contest
Dec 31	.New Years Eve Dinner!

107.2 PL Access 449.8/444.8 100.0 PL Access 145.130 107.2 PL Access Additionally, KARS sponsors: 144.39 2 Wide Area APRS digi-peaters www.w9az.ddns KARS DX Cluster





#### NOMINATIONS

Nominations for club officers and directors will be accepted at the November and December meetings. Elections in December. Now is the time to run for high office or nominate the person of your choice!

Voting and nominating are limited to licensed KARS members in good standing.

#### KARS & ILOP...KUDOS!

KARS members came through with a fine showing in the 2019 Illinois QSO Party. Last year, we took third place and even with continuing poor propagation, we look forward to besting our position in 2019.

Some FB work from the following N9LYE, K9CS, K9NR, members: W9DX, N9IO, W9KVR & N2BJ. We're waiting to hear from other operators who helped out this year. A big thanks to everyone who did their part. Be thinking of the 2020 event!

#### **BOARD MEETING**

The KARS board meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 19th at El Mexicano. Eat at 6PM. Meet at 7PM.

#### NCS FOR NOVEMBER

The net meets every Monday at 2000 hours local time on the 146.34/.94 OR 145.130 backup repeater. All stations with or without traffic are invited to check in.

> November 4th K9NR November 11th K9KSG November 18th N9OE November 25th N9DWE Don't forget the net!

Good Luck in the Fall Contest Season!

### KARS HOMEPAGE— WWW.W9AZ.COM —KARS HOMEPAGE

## KARS HOLIDAY BANQUET

Sunday January 19th 2020 — Time: 5:00PM - 8:PM

The Brickstone Brewery & Restaurant

557 William Latham Drive **Bourbonnais** 

Choose one of the following:

**Buffet:** Tomato Vodka Rigatoni, Lemon-Peppered Roasted Chicken, Roasted Sirloin of Beef, Red-Skin Mashed Potatoes & Vegetables -Includes Garden Salad & French Vanilla Ice Cream Total including tax and tip: \$22.85

Or

Prime Rib: Slow roasted with Red-Skin Mashed Potatoes & Vegetables -Includes a Garden Salad Total including tax and tip: \$32.30

Reservations and check, payable to KARS, must be in by December 28th!

Bring or mail your check & reservation info to: Diane Dau N9DLD

2397N 10.000W Rd. Bonfield, Illinois 60913

You must order and pay for your drinks on site.

The Board has approved \$300 for door prizes and the club will sponsor Hors d'oeuvre trays...cheeses, veggies, etc.



October hunt winners Paul W9IEY & Terry with fox Jim WD9GXU (left)

Hunters gather at the fox's lair

#### **CONTEST SEASON OPENS WITH NOVEMBER SWEEPSTAKES**

Starting with ARRL CW Sweepstakes and ending with the Stew Perry 160 Distance Challenge, there are seven weekends of major contests with two weeks off to catch your wind! Then there are 4 significant contests in January and 4 in February! DX and stateside, CW, RTTY and SSB, there is a contest for every taste.

Get your station ready for all the fun today! A great chance to work on your favorite award: DXCC, WAS, WAC, WAZ, etc.

Also a good time to download the latest version of the excellent contest logging program N1MM+. It is the most popular logging program available and it is free!



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Don't forget...nomination of club officers at the November Meeting!!!