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La Porte 4th of July Parade



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The LaPorte 4th of July Parade



July 4, 2022

Happy Birthday, America!

Pride runs deep in all of our lives, from friends and family to country and community. The theme for today's 4th of July parade, **America Proud. LaPorte Proud.** is putting that pride on full display.

From the national symbol of the A-10C Warthog, flyover, to the statewide pride of the Purdue University Boiler Maker Special, we'll watch with excitement. When our local athletes wave to the crowds, as they pass by, we'll cheer their success. And when our friends and neighbors share their parade floats and entries, we'll shout out their names.

For the second year, the Kiwanis Club of LaPorte, is proud to organize today's parade – the 76th Annual LaPorte 4th of July Parade. — and to accept the honor of having LaPorte named Indiana Capital for the Day, by our Governor Eric Holcomb. With the support of dedicated citizens and local businesses . . . the parade marches on.

So, on behalf of ALL who are lending a hand, or simply gathering today, THANK YOU, for making this 4th of July a day of independence, truly worth celebrating.

Drum

Drummond Osborn

Kiwanis President 2020-22

Parade Co-chair

Dawn

Dawn Zigler

Kiwanis Member

Parade Co-chair

Joy

Joy Zigler

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Parade Co-chair



We are proud and thankful to once again be honored with a 4th of July Parade flyover from the **122nd Fighter Wing**, out of the Fort Wayne Air National Guard Base. What began with our application to the Federal Aviation Administration, (FAA), back in January, culminates in today's exciting LaPorte tradition, with two **A-10C Thunderbolt II** - "**Warthog**" aircraft making a single parade-route pass, shortly after the parade's official 10 a.m. start. These same patriotic aircraft are scheduled for numerous similar events, today.

The **122nd Fighter Wing** traces its heritage back to the **358th** Fighter Group that was activated in **January, 1943**, at Richmond Army Air Base, VA. The **358th** flew interdiction and bomber escort missions from England until D-Day. As the Allies advanced, they took on the role of ground support, including "tank busting."

In May **1946**, the group was re-designated as the **122nd** Fighter Group and assigned to the Indiana Air National Guard. During the WWII the **358th**, was awarded three Distinguished Unit Citations, and the Croix de Guerre.

Portions of the Wing were activated during the Korean War. In the early **1960's**, the Wing was activated for the Berlin crisis. In **1991**, the Wing was activated to serve in a combat zone came, when the base security police unit deployed to Saudi Arabia. After **September 11, 2001**, one of the first American units deployed overseas was the **122nd Fighter Wing**.



The **122nd Fighter Wing** currently operates a full squadron of A-10C Thunderbolt II aircraft. Combat zone assignments include Afghanistan, Iraq, Oman, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Qatar, Diego Garcia, and many more. Here are just some of the Wing's heritage and service: World War II, Korean War, The Bay of Pigs, Cuban Missile Crisis, Dominican Republic, Just Cause, Persian Gulf Crisis, and After the Storm.



Northwest Health has once again helped our parade secure aircraft from the **Lutheran Air** flight program – a program dedicated to providing air ambulance services for all critically ill or injured patients. All three Lutheran Air helicopters are staffed with licensed and/or board-certified crews trained in various specialties to treat critically ill patients.

The Lutheran Air flight program operates three **Airbus H130** aircraft, strategically positioned at various airport bases to optimize regional coverage, including Portland Municipal Airport

in Jay County, Wabash Municipal Airport in Wabash County and has flown out of Starke County Airport in Knox since 2016.

These jets, air ambulance and pilots are on the clock, and there is always the chance that their responsibilities may divert them from the parade, at the last minute.

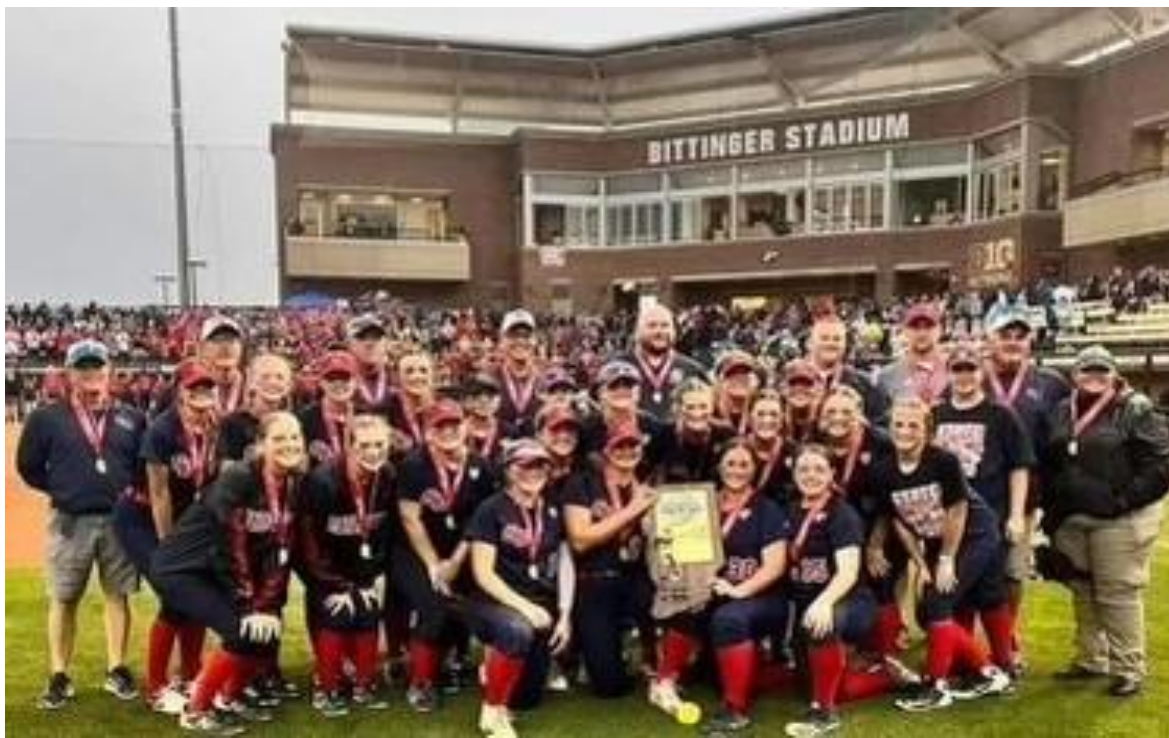
LaPorte Proud.



Grand Marshal – South Central Girls Softball Team

South Central girls softball team, State Final Runner-Up, Class 1A. First Team ever in school history to reach a state final in ANY sport.

Congratulations on the great 23-7 record and hard work, making us LaPorte County Proud!



Grand Marshall – LaPorte High School Track Team

LaPorte High School track history was made in 2022 as the team brought home it's first ever, Regional Championship.

From individuals to teams, it took effort by all for this historic LaPorte Proud honor.



STATE OF INDIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

Executive Order

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS,** July 4 is a day set aside for celebration and renewed dedication to the principles of our priceless American heritage; and
- WHEREAS,** the mantle of responsibility for the continuation of our free nation rests on the shoulders of every American citizen; and
- WHEREAS,** the strength and progress of our nation will remain strong only through continued vigilance, education and commitment to the preservation of our precious national legacy of liberty and justice for all; and
- WHEREAS,** as citizens of the 19th state to be admitted to the union, Hoosiers are enthusiastic participants and celebrants of this national day of independence; and
- WHEREAS,** Kiwanis Club of LaPorte seek to encourage recognition and respect for the traditions and principles of our American heritage by sponsoring an annual celebration of our national Declaration of Independence;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Eric J. Holcomb, Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim July 4, 2022 as

LA PORTE AS CAPITAL FOR THE DAY

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

*In Testimony Whereof, I have
set my hand and cause to be affixed the
Great Seal of State. Done at the
City of Indianapolis, this 3rd
day of June the year of our
Lord 2022 and of the Independence
of the United States 246*



BY THE GOVERNOR:

Eric Holcomb



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It has been 101 years, since 52 LaPorte business leaders gathered on a cold February day in 1921 to charter the ***Kiwanis Club of LaPorte***.

The names and faces have changed, but a current membership of 52 (and growing) sees the needs and seeks the solutions for improving the lives of children, in meaningful ways.



Today, the Kiwanis Club of LaPorte, provides scholarships to graduating high school students, helps develop future leaders through sponsored clubs in local elementary, middle and high schools, as well as on the campus of Purdue Northwest.

In the past year, the Club sponsored youth sport teams, organized Pop-Up Picnics in neighborhood parks, and raised funds for Backpack Food programs, and 5 AED's.

Be it mentoring local youth, supporting Riley Children's Hospital, downstate, or unifying efforts around the globe, we seek to ***“improve the world, one child and one community at a time.”***

If we've piqued your curiosity for ways to serve the children of this community & the world, learn more about Hoosier Kiwanians at www.IndKwi.org, or contact Kiwanis Club of LaPorte, President Drummond Osborn, 219.362.8567.





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Parade Entries

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Due to numerous last minute entry additions, line up order was regrettably unavailable for printing.

- 4-H Horse & Pony Drill Team
- American Flag - LaSalle Council-Potawatomi District Scouting BSA
- American Legion Post 83
- Arts in the Park
- Carpenters Local 1485
- Center Township Volunteer Fire Department
- City of La Porte Police Department Chief Paul Brettin
- Coolspring Township Volunteer Fire Department
- Excelsior Lodge 41
- Family Advocates
- FightFlix Gym
- Garwood Orchards
- Go Aerial Fitness
- God's Gang - Grace Baptist Church
- GoMetz Farm
- Great Lakes Museum of Military History
- Guardian Riders
- Hanna Township Volunteer Fire Department
- Haverstock Funeral Home
- Indiana Conservation Officers
- Indiana State Police
- Jaeger-UniTek Sealing Solutions, Inc.
- Kankakee Township Volunteer Fire Department
- Kingsbury Township Volunteer Fire Department



Most Up-To-Date
Parade Line-Up



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- Kingsford Union Volunteer Fire Department
- Kiwanis Club of La Porte, with Indiana District Governor Taka Ogata
- La Porte County Democratic Party
- La Porte City Band
- La Porte Community Federal Credit Union
- La Porte County 40 & 8 Veterans Honor Society
- La Porte County Agricultural Assoc
- La Porte County Assessor Michael Schultz
- La Porte County Clerk Heather Stevens
- La Porte County Council President Randy Novak
- La Porte County EMS
- La Porte County Fair Queen & Contestants
- La Porte County Happy Hounds 4-H Dog Club
- La Porte County Meals on Wheels
- La Porte County Republican Party & Friends
- La Porte County Right to Life
- La Porte County Sheriff John Boyd
- La Porte County Sheriff's Posse
- La Porte County Sunday Farmers

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- La Porte County Symphony Orchestra, Music Director - Dr. Carolyn Watson
- La Porte Fire Department Chief Andy Snyder
- La Porte High School Cheer Team
- La Porte High School Dance Team
- La Porte High School Marching Band
- La Porte Lions Club
- La Porte Municipal Airport
- La Porte Pop Warner
- La Porte Tri Kappa, Celebrating 80 Years
- Last Resort Campground
- Mangled Axles Jeep Krew
- Mayor of La Porte of Tom Dermody
- Michiana Clowns
- Michigan City High School Wolfpack Pride
- New Prairie High School Cheer
- New Prairie High School Marching Cougars
- Niles Scream Park
- Noble Township Volunteer Fire Department
- Northwest Health
- Orak Shrine Oriental Band
- Parade Marshall La Porte High School Track & Field Team Regional Champs -First time in HISTORY!



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- Parade Marshall South Central Girls Varsity Softball 2022 Class A State Runners Up
- Parker the Fox - City of La Porte Park and Rec Dept
- Pioneer Land
- Pleasant Township Volunteer Fire Department
- Purdue University Boilermaker Special sponsored by Purdue Federal Credit Union
- QCC
- Robert Tyлиз Appliance and Service
- Rumely-Allis Chalmers La Porte Heritage Center
- Scipio Township Volunteer Fire Depart
- Serupro of La Porte County
- Slicer Wrestling Assoc
- South Central Rockettes Varsity Dance Team
- Springfield Township Volunteer Fire Department
- State Representative Jim Pressel
- State Senator Mike Bohacek District 8
- Surf Broadband Solutions
- VFW Post #1130, La Porte IN
- Vietnam Veterans Inc., La Porte, IN
- Waste Management
- Westville Police Department
- WIMS Ric Federighi sponsored by Arnett Roofing & Construction

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Since 1919 Indiana Kiwanians have supported the work of Riley Hospital for Children, from the very first brick to the current Maternal-Fetal Medicine Specialist Endowment.

As in recent years, the Kiwanis Club of LaPorte organizes a 4th of July Run for Riley, with all run proceeds being directed to Riley. In conjunction with this year's parade sponsorships, the following organizations are recognized for their Run for Riley Sponsorship Level.

THANK YOU!!!



Individuals interested in supporting this campaign can do so through the Kiwanis Club of LaPorte with checks payable to: Indiana Kiwanis Fdn. Please indicate "Riley Hospital" in the memo, and mail to: Kiwanis Club of LaPorte, Attn: Riley Advocate, PO Box 175, LaPorte, IN 46352

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KIWANIS NEEDS YOU

Thank you!

The LaPorte 4th of July Parade



Though we've highlighted our official sponsors in this booklet and on the parade route traveling banner, it wouldn't be a parade without all the support from individuals and local businesses.

Members of The Kiwanis Club of LaPorte

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We apologize in advance for any omissions from this list. Let us know, and we'll make sure to give you a proper shout-out when we publish our post-parade thank you's!!



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