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# Save Rural Broadband

The FCC has proposed radical policy changes that could deprive millions of individuals, businesses and governments of broadband access. This loss or reduction in broadband access would result in lost jobs, less comprehensive health care, and blocked access to global markets, which will stifle innovation and hamper our nation's competitiveness.

La Porte City Telephone Company along with more than 100 other lowa rural independent telephone companies and hundreds of other independents throughout the USA are working together to educate the five million rural customers we serve about these proposed changes.

If you would like more information about our efforts in lowa, visit **www.thegreatdisconnect.org.** Or **www. saveruralbroadband.org** to send a letter to your two senators, your representative and the Obama administration. The more letters we send, the more they will know that their constituents are demanding action.



Get \$50 LPC Chamber Dollars when you sign up for high speed internet.

You'll also receive:

- 1¢ Installation
  1¢ Modem
- FREE 24/7 Internet
  Local Customer Service

## Call today at (319) 342-3369 or visit www.lpctel.com!

\*Offer valid through August 31, 2011 for new LPC high speed Internet customers. A 12-month agreement is required to receive one cent installation, one cent modem and \$50 La Porte City Chamber Dollars. Service availability and Internet speed will depend on location. Contact us for complete details.

# Want Your Home To Be A Wi-Fi Hotspot?

Time to bring in the experts. Call LPC Tel to enjoy the freedom of wireless networking.

You're tired of having your computer "tied" to a modem and want the whole family to be able to get online from any room in your home. It's time to bring in the experts from La Porte City Telephone Company. Our wireless networking service includes setup and configuration of a wireless router as well as wireless security and encryption features.

Contact the wireless networking experts from LPC Tel for help with your existing home network or to save \$25 for a limited time on a new Wi-Fi network installation.

Did you know your unprotected Wi-Fi network is susceptible to hacker attacks? Here are security tips to make your wireless connection safe:

- Change your router's default access name, use a strong password and wireless encryption.
- Position the router safely in the center of your home to minimize the distance the signal reaches outside of your home.
- ✓ Don't broadcast your SSID (the name you give your wireless network).
- ✓ Enable Firewalls on each computer and the router.
- ✓ Turn off wireless cards and routers when not in use.
- Approve all wireless network users. You are liable for all content downloaded on your network.
- ✓ Periodically check router logs for rogue users.

## Don't Learn the Hard Way About File Loss!

Call Heidi or Barb today and ask about a free 30-day trial of Online Backup for Windows and Mac.

## Telephone Service and More!

## E-learning Brings Lessons to You Anytime, Anywhere

Education is no longer confined within the walls of a classroom. Thanks to e-learning, it's now possible to get a college degree in some academic areas without having to set foot inside a campus building. Of course, you can also go online to gain knowledge about subjects of a narrower focus — like how to play guitar or deliver a great speech or decorate a birthday cake.

La Porte City Telephone Company believes that learning should be a lifelong adventure and encourages you to take advantage of the many opportunities offered by e-learning. We'll supply the high speed Internet; you supply the curiosity.

### Sites to Visit on Your Lifelong Learning Journey

To provide you with some e-learning inspiration, we've gathered this list of amazing websites. You'll find educational resources about virtually every topic under the sun — some serious and academic, some just for fun. Whenever you're ready, take the first step.

#### Meet Great Minds - www.apple.com/education/itunes-u

ITunes U distributes everything from lectures to language lessons, films to labs, audio books to tours. Content can be downloaded through iTunes software. (Most content can also be used with non-Apple products.)

#### Give It the Old College Try - www.academicearth.org

Academic Earth contains full courses and individual lectures from many of the top public and private universities in the United States including Yale, UCLA, Stanford, Harvard, and MIT. Videos of lectures, reading lists, and related materials are downloadable.

#### Write Better, Speak Better - www.khanacademy.org

The Khan Academy is a virtual school that offers a free educational resources to anyone — students, teachers and principals, homeschoolers or adults returning to the classroom after many years. With over 2,100 videos, it's easily the most exhaustive collection of instruction on the Internet, covering K-12 math, biology, chemistry, physics, finance, and history.

# SecureIT 2011 Outperforms the Competition!

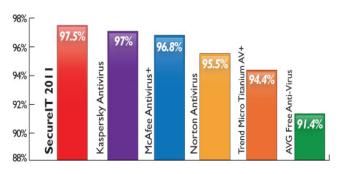
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SecureIT 2011 was recently reviewed by AV-Comparatives.org, an independent non-profit organization used as a benchmark by the security software industry.

Their testing included on-demand detection against over 400,000 malware samples such as:

- Worms: Self-replicating, network-spreading infections.
- Backdoors/Bots: Allow unauthorized system access.
- Trojans: Malicious programs that appear legitimate.
- Other Malware/Viruses: Macro viruses and scripts.

**The Results**: SecureIT 2011 scored higher in overall detection of malicious software than some of the most widely used and recognized security programs on the market today.



Along with detection rate, this group reviewed the product as a whole, stating "the user interface of SecureIT is essentially simple, clear and well-designed." (964-2637)

SecureIT 2011 is better than ever and you will appreciate the easy installation, simple navigation, expert support, and top malware detection rates. Call LPC Tel today for a free 30-day trial of SecureIT 2011!

## We're here when you need us.

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(319) 342-3369 email: lpctel@netins.net

## Internet Tech Support

800-205-1110 Iowa Network Services SecureIT Tech Support 877-373-3320

After Hours Repair (319) 342-2213 Payments are due on the 20th of each month. Please include bill stub with your payment. For your convenience, La Porte City Telephone offers Automatic Bank Deduct. (Payments can be taken out of your checking or savings account.) There is a drop box in the front of the office.



## Telephone Service and More!