



FEBRUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER



[Our February Meeting is at Tacos El Norte](#)

General meeting Wednesday, February 12th at Tacos El Norte, 401 N Riverside Dr., Gurnee. The meeting room opens at 6:00 PM if you would like to dine before the meeting. Sign in and social at 7:00 with the meeting beginning promptly at 7:30 PM.

Letter from The President:

How many days till SPRING 2020? On the day of writing this letter, we have 51 days, 13 hours, 21 minutes and 16 seconds, even less by the time I finish writing and you read this. But hey who's counting?? Me!!!! Not sure what each of you do during the cold long winter months of January and February but I use these winter months to re-group, declutter, plan and prepare for the spring / summer months just as your LCMP board is hard at work planning the 2020 calendar of events.

We are looking for Trail Ride Hosts. There are dates still available on the calendar so please consider hosting. Any questions, more information or to schedule a ride contact Vickie Wancho or Sandy Monk. Also looking for participants for the parade troop. We have 5 parades this summer. Contact Betsy Faitz for more information and to sign up. Our horse show is another event that is important to our group. Last year we had a phenomenal amount in sponsorship donations with Mindy Sivright winning the gift card for bringing in the most sponsors. Again, this year, I make the challenge to membership to bring in sponsor donations. The member with the most sponsors will win a prize. Winner will be announced at our September General Meeting. Ready set, go. The challenge is on. Sponsor forms are available with this newsletter, on the website and at the general meetings.

I have one more challenge to put forth to membership. This challenge is to help increase the Lake County Mounted Posse membership. If you know of any person or family who you think would like to discover the wonderful benefits of being a member of the Lake County Mounted Posse, a club that has been around for over 60 plus years with a solid colorful history, like to develop some wonderful friendships with people that have a "horse addiction, love to eat", trail ride and be entertained at our monthly meetings, then introduce them to the Lake County Mounted Posse by inviting them to a monthly meeting. We have business cards, registration and associate requirement forms that can be handed out or placed at barns and equine related establishments. If you have an equine related function you feel would benefit by having us present, bring it to

the board. Therefore, I challenge each of you to introduce a new person to our club. Be creative! Who knows, maybe there will be a “surprise” to the person or persons who bring in the most associate members this year!!

In closing, let’s hope on February 2nd, Mr. Punxsutawney Phil, in western Pennsylvania, emerges from his burrow and doesn’t see his shadow because of cloudiness. This means Spring will arrive early. If Mr. “Punxs” emerges and sees his shadow, due to clear weather and retreats back to his den, then we are doomed to six more weeks of winter. **Spoiler Alert:** Studies show that there is no consistent correlation between the groundhog seeing it’s shadow or not and the subsequent arrival of spring – like weather. Oh darn!! Sorry Mr. “Punxs”.

Still hoping!!!

Debi Neuman

2019-2020

LCMP President

“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched.... they are felt with the heart....” Helen Keller

Look What We’ve Been Up To!

See what one of our Members, Barbara Southgate has been up to!

Your Lake County Mounted Posse Friends congratulate you!!! Way to go!! Awesome job!!!

Congratulations! Your horse, New Sheriff In Town is the ASHA National High Point Champion in the Open Western Pleasure division. The ASHA Highpoint Awards Program was designed to recognize competition achievement by registered Saddlebreds. It awards High Point winners in ten regions and Europe, as well as an overall National winner. Every horse that has competition results entered into the American Saddlebred database is automatically eligible for consideration as long as the owner is an active ASHA member.



Membership Reminders

Please get your membership forms and dues turned in! February General Meeting is the deadline to guarantee your name is printed in our Directory. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kelsey Mascorro or Ghislaine deKonig.

Print form from home option here > [Membership Form 2020](#)

Trail Ride News

Trail rides - We still need sponsors!!!

How to sponsor a trail ride you may ask? It's simple. Pick a place, a day, and time. Next, decide what food you may like to have! The trail ride is your decision. It could be a breakfast ride and only make breakfast, or coffee and donuts with lunch, or a Friday dessert ride we have those too, which is so fun after a long work week!! We try to make it as easy as possible, paper goods and drinks provided! If you need something, let us know, we probably have it so please just ask. We have lots of dates and plenty of places for suggestions. If you have a new place that's great, let's try it! We can have pizza, chicken, subs (or sandwiches), salads or cook hamburgers, hot dogs or brats. The budget for trail rides is 250.00, but if you have a special ride we can ask for approval. So let's have a great year trail riding!!!

You can find a Guideline on how to Host a Trail Ride Here > [Host A Trail Ride](#)

Parade Announcements

Lots of updates to talk about that the General Meeting! All dates have been posted on the Calendar located on our website. The Parade Committee has some great ideas in store.

Link the calendar here > [LCMP Calendar](#)

Horse Show Updates

NEED HORSE SHOW SPONSORS

July will be here faster than you think! The success of our show is based on the participants and volunteers but the biggest impact to the bottom line is the amount of sponsors we can get.

Let's have everyone commit to getting a sponsor or two for the show. Ask for support from your farrier, vet, farm store, feed store, equine dentist, trainer, the place that services your truck or tractor, the shavings vendor, the doctor of chiropractor that puts you back together after a fall :-), (in my case they could pay for the whole show LOL), the store you buy your carrots at, the insurance dealer, or anyone that loves horses and wants to see these local horse shows continue.

The first large dollar sponsors will be able to have their names on the show bill sponsoring the high points and the payback classes. There are a limited amount of classes so get the \$\$ in early if they want that extra perk. Everyone that sponsors will be announced throughout the day, their names will be displayed on our sponsor boards for everyone to see, and we would love business cards or brochures to put out on the registration table.

If they would like to attend the show, they can even hand out some ribbons!

Sponsor sheets are available on our website > [Sponsor Form](#)

Thank you for your support!

-The Horse Show Committee-

Ghislaine and Kelly

Historical Committee

*** Looking for volunteers to join the History of the Lake County Mounted Posse committee, “60” plus years of horsemanship. We are working on putting together a permanent exhibit of our history to be on display at a location within Lake County. We are doing this to preserve and share with Lake County, the rich history of our club. If interested, please reach out to Debi Neuman or Sue Behringer. ***



MARK YOUR CALENDAR - also available on our Website! > [LCMP Calendar](#)

- February 12: General Meeting at Tacos El Norte, Gurnee IL - 7:30pm
 - Speaker Tara LeRoy from Southern Kettle Moraine Horse Trail Association (SKMHTA). Presentation on 100 Extraordinary Women Campaign. She will also be selling 2020 WI Horse Trail Pass
- February 26: Board Meeting at Thirsty Horse, Kenosha WI - 7:00pm
 - If you would like to attend this meeting, please contact Debi Neuman at debra.neuman@gmail.com
- March 8: Bowling & Pizza Party at Antioch Lanes, Antioch IL - 1:00pm
 - A sign up sheet with pricing information will be available at February’s General Meeting

Posse Wear

The link for Besco can be found on our website! For convenience, we have added a direct link below.

[Besco Website Order Form](#)

Annie's Jams and Jellies

Come early for the best selection of the best homemade jams and jellies! Also remember to bring back your clean empty jars so they can be refilled with deliciousness! Anni donates \$1.00 to the posse for each jar sold.

