



APRIL 2018 NEWSLETTER

Our next **General Meeting** is **Wednesday, April 11th** at **Taco El Norte, 401 N Riverside Drive, Gurnee, IL**
The meeting room opens at 6:30pm if you would like to dine prior to the meeting. Sign-in & Social Time @ 7:00. Meeting will begin promptly at 7:30pm.

The Guest Speaker will be the Lake County Sheriff's Highway/Traffic Dept and will discuss truck and trailer hauling requirements in the state of Illinois. Members should bring the GVWR for their truck and trailer. Know what your vehicle is rated to haul empty and the full maximum carry. If you want to know if your truck requires a safety inspection you will need to know your engine type detailed specifications. Some of you may have already done your research but this is a hot subject and we expect any questions can be answered to kick off our show and trail season to a great start.

2018 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:

Posse Information Table at Accredo Farms @ Sunflower tack sale on April 7th. Come sit with us for a while and welcome visitors. This is an excellent way to share your experiences being a member. This is our last information table for the year.

ANNUAL HORSE SHOW:

Posse Annual horse show is being held on June 2nd at Spring Grove Horse Fair Park

>>>WE NEED HORSE SHOW SPONSORS<<<

You can find sponsor sheets on our website or at the April meeting. Sponsors are critical to offset the cost of the expenses incurred in having a good show. Mindy Sivright will be tracking locations that are solicited for sponsorship. Call or email her to inquire if a business has been approached or if you approach a business. This should reduce repeated soliciting of sponsors.

We have had a good response for volunteers for the day of the show. Help is still needed for ground set up in the a.m. and for the barrel racing portion at the end of the day. There is a crew for clean up at the end of the day, but we could always use more hands. The number of rider in each class will determine how late we will be packing it all up. And yes, we hope for large classes and a long day! Contact for the show is Ghislaine DeKoning, Horse Show Chair.

PARADE UPDATE: We are still looking for a pony harness to borrow for our 2018 parade season and we are running out of time!!!

We will not be holding a parade clinic in 2018. If you have interest in riding or helping with parades this year please contact Sandy Monk, Parade Chair.

TRAIL CLINIC: We have 13 riders and 2 auditors registered for the trail clinic at Hawkspur Farm. You should have received an email if you are confirmed. Lunch will be provided at noon. The clinic will start at 1:00. Posse members can audit with no registration.

APRIL TRAIL RIDES:

- ❖ Sunday April 15th at Lakewood Forest Preserve. Arrive at 10a.m. Ride out at 10:30. Lunch at noon. Bring a dish and a chair.
- ❖ Sunday April 29th @ Old School Forest Preserve. Time will be announced later

Lake County trail passes are required at both locations. Trail locations can be found at lcmp.info

If you did not receive your **LCMP Directory** they will be available at the April Meeting.

Letter from The President

It has been a very busy year and we are just getting started!!! It is great to see good attendance at our monthly meetings and I would like to welcome all Associates this year! We are going to be very busy this year and hope you take the opportunity to experience most of the events we have planned.

LCMP business cards were distributed at the March meeting so make sure you carry them with you since you never know when you will have an opportunity to share information about our club.

It was good to see so many members at the first trail ride of the season at Chain O Lakes State Park. It speaks volumes of how resilient our club is and that we will ride or just get together in the craziest weather. We have more events happening in April as the weather starts to cooperate. Make sure to watch your calendars and I hope to see you there!

I would like to thank Betsy Faitz for joining my Board of Directors. Her years of active participation in the club makes her an asset to our board.

Thank you to all the members that took the time to submit to Survey Monkey. Your responses are being processed and the results will be shared soon. Its your input that participation that will make the LCMP sustainable.



Look What We've Been Up To!

Our **March speakers** were Trudy Matta, Fire Prevention Bureau Officer; Mark Kirschoffer, Fire Chief of Newport Fire Dept and Eric Norlin, Fire Marshall for Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Dept. They talked to members about fire safety in our barns and how to prepare in the case of a fire. A key point communicated was to make sure fire vehicles could access your barn if they were called. Trim trees, and clear areas around your barns to allow large emergency equipment could get as close to the fire as possible.

You can also call any of them to schedule a visit to your barn. They will walk through your barn and discuss with you any potential hazards. Since many of us are not owners of commercial barns we are not subject to any building codes related to fire safety. However, we all want to make sure we have not overlooked any one thing that could be a fire hazard.

You can find fire contact information on our website @ lcmp.info



The **first LCMP trail ride** of the 2018 season was hosted by Fuzz Schramek. The ride was held at Chain O Lakes State Park. We had ten riders and 30 members that came to enjoy a feast that included fried chicken and good friends. The morning weather included strong winds and rain. By the time the ride started the winds died down a little bit and we had some visits of sun while riding through the wooded trails.



Posse 60th Anniversary Buckles and Key Chains

Posse 60th anniversary buckles and key chains in 2018 are still available for purchase. We also have T-shirts, patches and decals.

Posse Cookbook *WE NEED YOUR RECIPES*****

Open your recipe box all you camp cooks!!! We need recipes to create the Posse 60th Anniversary Cookbook. Our goal is 50 recipes...we currently have only 10. Submissions are due by September 30th so they can be available at the Christmas Party. Email your favorite Posse recipe to Debi @ debra.neuman@gmail.com

Posse Wear

You can shop for your official Posse wear on line. The link for Besco can be found on our website is www.lcmp.info and you can find a link here to make your purchases!



REFER TO THE 2018 POSSE CALENDAR THAT IS UPDATED AND PUBLISHED WITH YOUR NEWSLETTER EACH MONTH FOR ALL EVENT INFORMATION

Wednesday, April 11th – General Posse Meeting @ Tacos El Norte at 7:30pm
 Wednesday, April 18th – Board Meeting @Thirsty Horse at 7pm

Read your monthly newsletter for a listing of new events and dates!

2018 Officers and Board of Directors

Officers

Kelly Dickson – President
 Mindy Sivright – Vice President
 Sue Zumalt – Secretary
 Ghislaine DeKoning – Treasurer

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Mike Mahan
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