



## JULY 2020 NEWSLETTER



### [September Meeting is at Tacos El Norte](#)

**Tentative General Meeting is Wednesday, September 9th at Tacos El Norte, 401 N Riverside Dr. #27, Gurnee.**

The meeting room opens at 6:00pm if you would like to dine prior to the meeting. Sign-in & Social Time @ 7:00. Meeting will begin promptly at 7:30pm.

### [Letter from The President:](#)

Happy Happy July!! Happy Happy Summer Time!!!

Is it really July already? Where has the time gone? I feel like I was just writing my May letter for the newsletter and talking about that cold white stuff falling from the sky. Here we are in July. July typically is HOT and DRY. Many of us told ourselves back in April and May that we would not complain about the heat as it was unseasonably cold, rainy and gray out. We longed for warm sunny days. Well now that the warm weather is upon us, you will hear no complaining here.

Along with the start of the July month comes the entering in to Phase 4 Revitalization for the re-opening of and the easing up on additional restrictions here in the State of Illinois. As we enter Phase 4, one of the restrictions carefully being lifted is social gatherings. Social gatherings of 50 people or less and all outdoor recreational activities will be allowed as long as there are social distancing measures in place. This news is awesome to hear and means some of the events the board thought were over for the year, can still happen but others will remain cancelled till next year. For one, all the parades for this year are cancelled. The board and Betsy Faitz, Parade Chairperson, were hoping that at least (1) parade would remain viable, Grayslake, but as I am writing this letter, word came in that the parade has indeed been cancelled. This is disappointing but there is always next year.

This month the scheduled trail rides will resume and continue each month there after that a ride is scheduled, as long as there are no changes to the state's restrictions. Some ride dates and or locations might change from what was originally scheduled, so watch for updates via the newsletter, emails or a call. Also you will find in this newsletter, "*Trail Ride Protocol*" in which Vickie Wancho, Trail Chairperson explains the procedures that the Lake County Mounted Posse will follow when hosting a club sponsored ride. As always, feel free to reach out to myself, Vickie or any board member with any questions you may have.

Even as the state enters Phase 4, some LCMP events will remain cancelled for this year and the board will make modifications to the ones we feel can still happen. This newsletter features some updates to the schedule. First and foremost is the safety, health plus the well-being of our membership.

With summer officially here, not just on the calendar but by the look and feel of the weather, it is time to start to return to some good trail riding, yummy delicious food and enjoying our friendships even with modifications

and social distancing in place. Let's plan to fully enjoy each bright warm sunny day to the fullest. Thank you for your patience and understanding during these unprecedented times in our club's history.

Finally, I want to mention that as we enter this new phase of re-opening, remember the local hometown businesses and restaurants that have been there for our club, supporting our events. This year those local businesses have been hit especially hard. Support for them will be essential to their recovery.

Stay Safe and Healthy. Let's hit the trails!

Debi Neuman

2019 & 2020

LCMP President

\*\*\*\**"If you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change."*\*\*\*\*

## Trail Ride News and Protocol

Well finally, the Posse wants to kick off our riding season. Yeah!!! Because of the COVID-19 virus, a new protocol with the serving of food is necessary. The Posse will supply the beverages of water, pop and tea, as usual. The food that is served will need to be individually packaged. For example, if you bring a dessert like brownies, cut them into individual serving sizes and put them in little baggies for our members to pick up without handling the pan. In addition, single serve snacks like chips, granola bars, cookies and other similar items are acceptable choices to have. The board is also asking that masks be worn while you are in line to get your food and to try to keep 6 feet distance from one another. The board understands that this is a pain, but we want our events to continue and to keep our members as safe as possible.

The first trail ride is July 12 at the Chain of Lakes. I will be sponsoring this ride. We **will not** have coffee and donuts in the morning, so plan accordingly. Meet at 9:00 am with a ride out at 9:30 am. I will be providing lunch around noon. If you choose to bring something to share, please make sure that it is individually wrapped. I am not asking for a dish to pass for this ride only if you choose to bring something. I am learning like everyone else, of the protocol to hosting an event. I will see what I come up with for how to serve the food. The Posse Board will have hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes and gloves to keep things clean. Can't wait to see you all. Let's ride and have fun!!!

Vickie Wancho

2020 LCMP

Trail Ride Chairperson



## PARADE INFORMATION

We have been waiting to hear about our last scheduled parade. We just heard from the city of Grayslake that the August 15<sup>th</sup> parade has been **cancelled**. Hopefully our parade traditions will continue in 2021. Thank you to all the members that signed up to volunteer for these events.

**LCMP FALL RIDE WILL BE OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup> AT BONG RECREATION AREA**  
**DETAILS TO COME! PUT IT ON YOUR CALENDAR**



## **WEBSITE INFORMATION**

[www.lcmp.info](http://www.lcmp.info)

Have you looked at the LCMP Website lately?? We have added a recipe page. If you have a recipe you would like to share, send it to Debi Neuman at: [debra.neuman@gmail.com](mailto:debra.neuman@gmail.com)

Subject: Recipe

Also new on our Website will be History page. We have 3 members working very hard to update this information.

Debi Neuman will be contacting you through email if you need to send us a picture for the Website. It can be just you or one with your horse.

## **Committee Contacts**

**Associate Liaison** – Mindy Sivright and Jennifer Friel

**Clinics** – Bill Mielke – Maintains schedule, sponsors and information about the clinics

**Fall Ride** – October 4<sup>th</sup> at Bong Recreation area, shelter E. Contact anyone on the Board

**Holiday Bazaar** - Chairperson, Kelly Dickson and Ghislaine DeKoning

**Holiday Party** – Chairperson – Betsy Faitz - - December 19<sup>th</sup> at the Moose Lodge in Antioch **\*\*Date change\*\***

**Horse Show** – Chairpersons, Ghislaine DeKoning, Kelly Dickson

**Legislative Committee** – Lynn Goodall, Craig Vogel - Member Liaison with Lake County and Lake County Forest Preserve

**Non-Riding Events** – Debi Neuman – Posse get together's

**Trail Rides** – Chairperson, Vickie Wancho, Co-Chairperson, Sandy Monk

**Parades** – Chairperson, Betsy Faitz

**Play Days** – Vickie Wancho

**Posse Apparel** – Betsy Faitz - Coordinates ordering Posse shirts, jackets, etc.

**Social Media**– Jennifer Friel - FB

**Website** - Brittany Houghtaling – Updating the Website

The Club is in need of a few volunteers to serve on our Nominating Committee. This Committee would have the responsibility of selecting members to be considered to serve as Board Members. This will involve your participation for only a few months beginning in October 2020. If you any questions, please call or email Debi Neuman for more specific details.

## **2020 Officers**

### Officers

Debi Neuman – President

Vickie Wancho – Vice President

Brittney Houghtaling – Co-Secretary

Mindy Sivright – Co-Secretary, Newsletter

Ghislaine DeKoning – Treasurer

If you have any membership questions or concerns, please feel comfortable to contact any officer and we will help however we can.

## Look What We've Been Up To!

Our Members having fun camping in Indiana at the Midwest Campground, in June  
And a ride in Barrington, Illinois



What have our members been up to? We would love it if you would send pictures to Brittney and she will add them to the website and newsletter. Are you riding your horse? Are you planting your garden? Are you making Bread? Walking your dog? Playing with your kids?

Send a picture so that we can keep in touch. Send to Brittney Houghtaling

[bhoughtaling1248@gmail.com](mailto:bhoughtaling1248@gmail.com)

\*\*\*You must put "For Website" in the subject line.\*\*\*

### ***Featured Posse Member Ruby Holmquist*** (Reprint from 2017 Newsletter)

***Joined the Posse 1959. President of the Club 1990. Co-founder of Illinois Trail Riders Association. With great admiration, respect and appreciation for all she did for our club and for the horse community. Her story lives on in many Posse member recollections today.***

### ***In Memoriam***



*"She'll stand to it. There's a likely craft, lad, and one to sail any sea. You can see it in the clear eyes of her and the way she carries her head. Give me always a woman with pride, and pride of being a woman. She's such a one."*

- Louis L'Amour

### ***Ruby Holmquist***

**January 8, 1914 - October 4, 1995**

*I hope there are heavenly trails on high  
Where the Crazy Horse Range fades into the sky.  
A sheltering forest, a lake crystal clear  
Where fire is your friend and the water, your mirror.*

*Ruby, ride like the devil - spend long, lusty days,  
Then water those horses, and turn them to graze.  
Explore every trail, every perch high and low;  
Through storm and through tempest, cinch up tight & go.*

*It may be a day and it may be a year,  
But I'll bet one day, Ruby, you'll pack up your gear.  
Kid gloves on your hands masking fists made of steel,  
Armed with good sense, and impatient to deal,  
Seek cause worth your time and the words to get through  
For even in Heaven there's work left to do.  
It would be no surprise, and in fact, mighty clear,  
To see those grey wolves making peace with the deer.*

*You've been taken from us, though we don't know what for,  
We needed you here, but He needed you more.  
So build a nice fire and then pull up a chair,  
And wait for us all to meet up with you there.  
Welcome us home and fresh bedding provide . . .  
A hot cup of coffee, a good horse to ride.*

- Cindy Seng



## Posse Wear

The link for Besco can be found on our website is [www.lcmp.info](http://www.lcmp.info) and you can find a link here to easily make your purchases.

## Annies Jams and Jellies

Message from Anie Weiler:

*"If anyone needs some jam, they can contact Ghislaine and I will deliver them to her house. They will be outside on her table with a jar for payment. If they live near me, they could come to my house and in the back I will have their order on the table. See you soon, Anie Weiler"*



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup> – Trail Ride - Chain-O-Lakes. Host Vickie Wancho. Meet @ 9:00 ride out at 9:30

Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup> – Trail Ride – Rush Creek. Host Sandy Monk. Meet @ 9:00, ride out at 9:30

Wed., August 5<sup>th</sup> – Trail Ride – Sterling Lake. Host Debi Neuman. Meet @ 9:00 ride out at 9:30