



## DECEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER



### [Join us in January for our next General Meeting](#)

The next General meeting will be Wednesday, January 8th 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](#)

Hi Members, This is the holiday season and I hope everyone can enjoy this season with loved ones and friends.

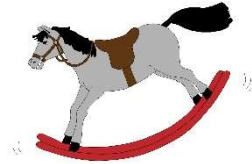
Fuzz and Kay Sramek hosted a chili dump for our club. They had the barn nice and warm and plenty of food was had by all. We had Dan Larsen as our speaker in the November meeting which was very informative. Plus, we had our elections. Our President is Jennifer Friel, Vice is Me , Secretary is Beth Santi, Treasurer is Ghislaine deKoning. I'm excited to see new members as our officers. We should have some fresh ideas. I look forward to a new year of events. As always, our club can't function without volunteers. So, with our new board coming in, please lend a hand to help with our events. We have a very nice bunch of associates this year that will be new members. This year's associates have been very active and have volunteered when they could. It was really nice meeting these new members.

I have enjoyed being your president for the last two years. It was easy with my board and officers. A great group of people to work with. I just want to Thank them again!!!

Vickie Wancho President 2021-2022

## Officers for 2023

Jennifer Friel - President  
Vickie Wancho – Vice President  
Beth Santi - Secretary  
Ghislaine deKoning - Treasurer



## Committee Contacts

The membership cannot thrive without the help from our members on various committee jobs. **We need new volunteers** to help out in these roles. Please contact Vickie Wacho or Betsy Faitz if you are interested in helping out. The Board will help you all the way. Thank you so much.

Trail Rides

Parades

Horse Show

Holiday Party –

Associate Liaison –

Communications Chairperson – Jennifer Friel, maintains FB

Legislative Committee

Website – Jennifer and Matt Friel, Website facilitators

Bazaar/Tack Sale –

Fall Ride

Play Days

Non-Riding Events

Associate Resource

Posse Apparel

## WEBSITE and FB INFORMATION

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

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

For our Facebook page and our website, please send to us pictures from your rides or other activities you have done this season. We want all members and potential members to see what we are up to and that the club is still riding and active. If you are planning, spur of the moment, to go out and ride the trails, send us a message and we will post it on Facebook. The board voted that it doesn't have to be a LCMP sponsored event to post this on our Facebook page. Some members may not be able to join a club ride but may have the time to ride at another time. This is also a way to stay connected with our members and to not have to ride alone.

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

### Posse Wear

The link for Besco can be found at [www.bescoawards.com](http://www.bescoawards.com)  
The website will be linked to our Web Page when the page is finished

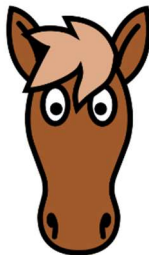
### Anies Jams and Jellies

Message from Anie Weiler:

*"If anyone needs some jam, they can contact Ghislaine deKoning. The jam(s) will be outside on her table with a separate 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"*

### HB Laser Art

Bill and Heide Milke have all your signage needs, awards, stall plates and much more. Check out their web site at [laserartusa.com](http://laserartusa.com)



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**12/2 – Posse Holiday Christmas Party**

**1/11– General Meeting** - Taco's El Norte in Gurnee. Meeting will start promptly at 7:30 but come early and eat dinner. Room opens at 6:00

**1/18 – Board Meeting** – 7:00 pm Thirsty Horse. If you would like to attend a Board Meeting, please contact Jennifer Friel and she will add you to the agenda. Be sure to let her know what you would like to discuss with the board



## **2023 LCMP APPLICATION / RENEWAL & RELEASE FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

( If an Associate - Sponsor's Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (home): \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address (**PRINT CLEARLY**): \_\_\_\_\_

If you do **NOT** wish to have your name, address, phone number, or email listed in our club directory, please indicate here what you DO **NOT** want listed: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you permit contact information above to be emailed to membership for proofing? Yes ☐ No ☐

How many horses does your family currently own? \_\_\_\_\_

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The newsletter is available 24/7 via our website...**www.lcmp.info**. and is emailed to the address you provide.

**HARD COPY** of the monthly newsletter will no longer be mailed. IF you DON'T have internet access please specify here: \_\_\_\_\_  
Our secretary will contact you to make arrangements to get the newsletter to you.

**Family membership** including dependent children under the age of 21.....\$70.00

**Single membership** including member's dependent\* children under the age of 21 AND including companion.....\$70.00

**Associate membership** (family or single details as above) .....\$70.00

\* Dependent children defined as unmarried & living at home.

**MAKE PAYMENT TO: LAKE COUNTY MOUNTED POSSE**  
**SEND TO SECRETARY: Beth Santi 29103 112 PL Trevor, WI 53179**

Posse functions are volunteer dependent. Please indicate below where you would be interested in volunteering:

- ☐ TACK SALE \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ HORSE SHOW \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ CLINICS \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ PLAYDAYS \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ PARADES \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ SPONSOR TRAIL RIDE \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ FALL RIDE \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ GUEST SPEAKERS \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ CHRISTMAS PARTY \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Interested in learning about serving as Officer or Director \_\_\_\_\_

## RELEASE, WAIVER, HOLD HARMLESS, AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

The undersigned, as a Participant/Spectator/Visitor/Guest/Client (collectively "Participant"), on his/her own behalf and, if applicable, as the Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) of a minor Participant (minor included as "Participant"), for good and valuable consideration, agrees to the following terms and conditions of this Release, Waiver, Hold Harmless, and Indemnification Agreement ("Agreement"):

**1. Assumption of Risk and Waiver:** Participant understands and accepts the risks of engaging in Equine Activities, while mounted or unmounted, as well as merely being near a horse, mule, or pony (collectively "equine"), including: (i) The propensity of an equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; (for example: jump, run, kick, buck, bolt, spin, rear up, strike, bite, etc.); (ii) The unpredictability of an equine's reaction to sounds (for example: machinery, equipment, doors opening and closing, snow and ice falling, rain, wind, thunder, voices, etc.), sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, persons, other animals, or other things; (iii) Certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; (iv) Collisions with other equines or objects; and (v) The potential of a participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to Participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the animal, not acting within his or her ability, or riding while under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Participant agrees that engaging in equine activities under this Agreement includes, but is in no way limited to, those defined in the Illinois Equine Activity Liability Act, as well as riding another's equine, petting, leading, driving, feeding, watching, transporting, and otherwise interacting with or merely being in the vicinity of equines ("Equine Activities"). Participant understands the injuries, death, loss (both personal and property), and property damage that may result from the accepted risks of engaging in Equine Activities or just being near an equine, that equines are powerful and have the potential to be dangerous, even without warning, and that the risks listed in this Agreement are just a sampling and Participant is not relying on Released Parties (as defined below) to list all possible equine-related risks. Participant therefore agrees, on his/her own behalf and on behalf of his/her minor Participant, that he/she understands and agrees to assume the risks and dangers inherent in Equine Activities, agrees to at all times to be responsible for Participant's personal safety, remain financially responsible for Participant's medical expenses, and waives Participant's right to any claims arising from participation in or observation of any Equine Activities, riding a horse belonging to Participant or someone else, whether on or off the property where the horse is stabled and/or transported to, being near an equine, or merely being present on real property owned, leased, rented, borrowed, visited, organized upon, trail riding across, or otherwise occupied by Lake County Mounted Posse, and its respective officers, directors, guarantors, indemnitors, agents, employees, volunteers, independent contractors, guests, visitors, invitees, trainers, organizers, guides, and others acting on their behalf (collectively "Released Parties") regardless of whether or not Participant's presence on such real property is related to equines or Equine Activities.

**2. Release, Hold Harmless, Indemnification:** Participant agrees to release and hold Released Parties harmless for any illness, injury, death, damage, or other loss (collectively "Loss") incurred, by Participant, or to Participant's property, unless caused by Released Parties' willful and wanton misconduct. Participant agrees to indemnify Released Parties against any Loss sustained or suffered by any third party, whether caused by Participant directly or indirectly, and which includes reimbursement of Released Parties' attorneys' fees.

**3. Governing Law and Time Limitation:** This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois. All disputes relating to the interpretation and enforcement of this Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the state court in Lake County, Illinois. The parties hereto hereby submit to the jurisdiction and venue of the Court for such purpose. Participant agrees that any and all claims and/or causes of action for Loss by Participant against the Released Parties must be brought within one (1) year of the date accrued and any claim for personal property Loss is limited to \$500.00 (Five Hundred Dollars).

**4. Attorneys' Fees:** Participant agrees to reimburse Released Parties for any and all attorneys' fees and costs incurred by Released Parties in enforcing the terms of this Agreement and/or in defending or prosecuting any claims or causes of action involving, or in any way relating to, Participant.

**5. Participant Certification:** Participant certifies that he/she has read this entire Agreement and understands, agrees, and intends on his/her own behalf, and on behalf of minor Participant, spouse, heirs, agents, representatives, relatives, successors, and assigns, to be bound by all of the terms and conditions contained herein.

**WARNING UNDER THE EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT, EACH PARTICIPANT WHO ENGAGES IN AN EQUINE ACTIVITY EXPRESSLY ASSUMES THE RISKS OF ENGAGING IN AND LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR INJURY, LOSS, OR DAMAGE TO PERSON OR PROPERTY RESULTING FROM THE RISK OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES**

**Signature required by all members, companions, and dependents.**

(Participant signing on own behalf and as Add'l Parent/Legal Guardian of Minor Participant)

Signature

Print Name

Date

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