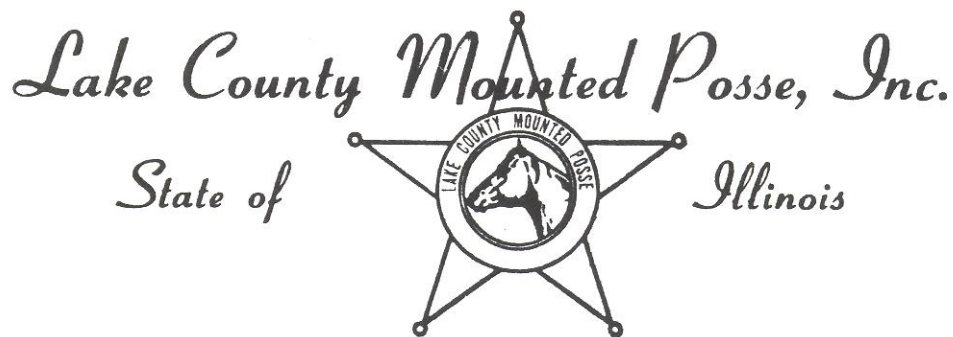


February 2017 Newsletter



Founded in 1957 we begin our 60th year!

General Meeting
Tacos El Norte, February 8th
Meeting room opens for Posse members 6pm for those who want to dine prior to meeting.
Sign-In and Social Time 7pm
Meeting begins @ 7:30pm
Scheduled Guest Speaker Officer Mike Clisham from the Chicago Mounted Police Unit
Topic: Crowd Control

This will be our Member Mania event plus special guest Mike Clisham from the Chicago Police Mounted Unit. Some of us might remember his visit 2 years ago, he is a Posse favorite! Bring your friends and potential members to hear about how the CPD dealt with the crowds and craziness surrounding the Cub's victory in the World Series!

Each member that brings a guest will receive 1 raffle ticket. The member that brings the most guests receives a gift certificate to Tacos El Norte!

Membership fees are now due for 2017. Deadline is February 15th. Our web site has the 2017 applications and insurance releases. Please also be sure to indicate where you are willing to volunteer in 2017. Our events are volunteer dependent and this sign up will help with planning our events for 2017. **Dues can be mailed to our treasurer: George Povich, 4645 232nd Avenue, Bristol, WI 53104.** *If you want to be sure your name is listed in the Posse directory, please comply with this deadline.*

- ❖ **Posse Event Sign Up:** Opportunity to sign up to host a play day, clinic or trail ride will be available again at this meeting. This seems early but to **insure our events** we need to have the dates decided by March. Equally important is having the list of events for our Directory. Also, we need those persons would indicated they are interested in planning activities for our 60th Anniversary to sign-up for this committee, or optionally to help with events that are decided.
- ❖ **Save the Date: March 19th is the LCMP TACK SALE:** Please print copies of the Tack Sale Flyer. We will also have copies at the General Meeting. We will need many volunteers on the actual day. Sign-up at the February meeting and March. Now we need to sell table spaces!! For a second year ~ we will be hosting a delicious food vendor "Taste of Paris" on site that will have breakfast thru lunch items including coffee (bring your travel mug). Taste makes donations to our raffle for his restaurant which is a nice benefit to the Posse. The Chain O Lakes 4H Club will also be hosting their bake sale with Betty Ogden's famous pies! George Povich is Tack Sale Chair, Debi is chair of the raffle so please contact her today with any items you'd like to donate! Be sure to invite any

vendors who may want spaces too! Call George with any questions! We count on our members getting the word out, as always! At the time of print we have sold 7 of our 56 spaces.

- ❖ **Survey Monkey:** You should have all received a survey via email/mail from the board eliciting your response regarding upcoming events for 2017. Your feedback will drive our decisions for this year and we have found it very helpful in the past. At time of print we broke our record for responses on this survey!! Thank you!!
- ❖ **March General Meeting 2017:** The Posse will be hosting guest speaker Robin Celano and friends who rode across Ireland on horseback this past August. Robin will shar pictures and stories about this adventure she took with her friend, her daughter and other international horse enthusiasts that made up the group.

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Featuring Laura and Joe Paukner
Joined the Posse in 1982
35 year members!

We were boarding our horse “Royale” and Quarter Horse~Morgan at Don Bar farms (at that time under the management of friends Wayne and Jane Reinke) when we became friends with Bob Leuder another boarder who sponsored us to join the Posse. I (Laura) used to ride my horse in parades, the most memorable being in Chicago! I was sooo nervous because I was told to be sure to have my horse’s shoes pulled before participating and wasn’t able so I rode white knuckled the whole time! My horse was fine~that is until the Chinese Dragon showed up prompting a 360 turn! We survived. Meetings I recall them being held at the Rustic Manor. I served as treasurer a few years~always nervous at the end of the year because there was always a review of the “books”. I then served as secretary. There are many memorable Posse members but I say that Ruby Holmquist and Roy are the “backbone” of the Posse. My most memorable rides with the Posse I’d have to say were camping at Big Piney. My husband would ride my horse and Bill Seng would loan me one of his. I caused a little mischief while I was there earning myself the nickname of “Juvenile” the rest of the week. I also recall the descent into camp being quite rough, and steep, taxing on the brake systems. This being a contributing factor to another memory of fellow Posse members Dave and Wendy McClurg, Skip and Bernie Nieber and the year they borrowed our old motor home to trailer horses down. I recall waking early one morning, still near dawn and foggy and seeing the shadow of something in the grassy swamp area near our camp, as my vision focused it was our motor home and horse trailer stuck in about two feet of water!!! Well, you can imagine how that day evolved~

Submitted by Kimberley Moon

Wanted LCMP Members! In celebrating our 60th year we would like to feature an interview with a member each month! If you are willing to share your Posse history with the club, please contact Kimberley Moon.

Posse Reminders:

- ❖ **Posse Web Site:** www.lcmp.info This is a good resource for you to access forms that pertain to our club and check our schedule of events. You can also print tack sale flyers from this page. Member Renee Paukner is our Webmaster. The website also has links to our Face book page and Posse Wear vendor
- ❖ Sue Behringer is Chair for Clinics and Play Days. Kim Moon is Chair for Trail Rides. Steve Lesselyoung is Chair for Guest Speakers. Ghislaine is Chair for Horse Show. Please feel free to contact any Board member anytime!
- ❖ Link to Horseman's Counsel of Illinois (HCI) of which the Posse is a member:
<http://hci.wildapricot.org/>
- ❖ Reminder: you can shop for your "official posse wear" (and pay for it) on line with Besco. The website is www.lcmp.info and you can find a link here to easily make your purchases!

Submitted by Sue Zumalt
LCMP Secretary