



## JANUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER

### **COME KICK OFF THE NEW YEAR!!!**

Our next **General Meeting** is **Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>** at **Taco El Norte, 401 N Riverside Drive, Gurnee, IL**. 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.

Dues will also be collected at this meeting. Annual membership dues are \$70. Checks should be made payable to LCMP. 2018 Membership applications can be printed from our website and will also be available at the meeting. **Deadline for dues is Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>.**

This is your opportunity to sign up for club activities and fun. Activity & clip boards will be posted for members to sign up to volunteer for:

Tack Sale - (Chairperson, not identified) – location/time pending

Trail Rides – Chairperson, Vickie Wancho

Parades – Chairperson, Sandy Monk

Horse Show – Chairpersons, Ghislaine DeKoning/Sue Behringer

### **January General Meeting Speaker**

Craig Weigand owner of Twisted Fork Saddle Shop in Eagle, WI. He went to school for saddle making and will share his story and answer your questions about tack.

### **Letter From The President:**

Happy New Year!!! I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays with family and friends.

I am very excited to hold this position in 2018. I am finally in a stage of my life that I can give back to the club. I lived on a small farm in Beach Park for 30 yrs raising my two children who were very involved in 4H. I rejoined the club in 2011 when I purchased a horse to start trail riding again. I felt the Posse would be a good place to meet back up with "horse people" so I could enjoy the all the activities that come with owning a horse. I was fortunate to semi-retire this past fall and find this a perfect opportunity to give the club my extra gift of time.

I would like to thank again the 2017 Officers and Board of Directors for all their time and efforts for a great year!

My goal this year is to promote new membership and target the younger equestrian. It is our responsibility to the founding fathers of the LCMP to keep our club "member strong". We need to keep old traditions and welcome new ideas as the horse community changes with the times.

I hope each of you will make time to participate in your club activities this year. If we all give a little, the others don't have to give it all. I look forward to getting to know each of you better this year and hope to see you at the monthly meetings, on the trails, in a parade or another one of our annual events.



## Look What We've Been Up To!

Our Annual Christmas party was held at the Antioch Moose Lodge. The fun evening was enjoyed by 65 guests. The night's event included drinks and good food followed by karaoke, dancing and an ugly sweater contest.

A huge thank you to the Christmas party Committee!



### Say hello to your 2018 Officers and Board of Directors

#### Officers

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

#### Board of Directors

Mike Mahan  
Vickie Wancho  
Debbie Gracey  
Brittany Houghtaling  
Ana Orsini  
Debi Deuman (Member at Large)

### Turtle Adoption Update

The Posse adopted two endangered turtles in 2017. The first was named Ruby after longtime equestrian advocate Ruby Holmquist. New member, Sally Trotochaud, won Bingo and the rights to name the second turtle. Sally chose Kate after her quarter/draft mare. What makes this amazing is that Ruby's mare was also named Kate which made the naming of turtle two very appropriate.

### Posse Cookbook

In honor of our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Debi Neuman is collecting recipes from Posse Members to create a Posse Cookbook. She is particularly looking for recipes brought to rides and other Posse functions and celebrations, although any of your favorite recipes will be welcome! Email your favorite Posse recipe to Debi @ [debra.neuman@gmail.com](mailto:debra.neuman@gmail.com)

### Posse Wear

We have invited Besco to our January kickoff meeting. Come early to shop for the latest Posse fashion. You can also shop for your official Posse wear on line. 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!



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> – General Posse Meeting @ Tacos El Norte at 7:30pm  
Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> – Board Meeting @Thirsty Horse at 7pm  
Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> - Kenosha County 4H Tack Sale @ Wilmot High School  
March – Tack Sale (date and location pending)

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