



## **JANUARY 2021 NEWSLETTER**



**Please join us on a January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
At 7:30pm**

For a General Meeting on Zoom!  
You will get an email invitation.

Hope you will join us on starting a New Year

### **Please Renew Your Membership for 2021**

Send your Membership renewal and signed Waiver to:  
Mindy Sivright  
937 Queens Lane  
Glenview, Illinois 60025

### **Meet our New 2021 Officers and Board**

#### **Officers**

Vickie Wancho – President  
Sandy Monk – Vice President  
Mindy Sivright -Secretary  
Ghislaine DeKoning – Treasurer

#### **Board Members**

Betsy Faitz  
Jennifer Friel  
Lynn Goodell  
Mike Mahan  
Val Weber  
Brittany Houghtaling  
Debi Neuman – member at large  
Sam Turskey – member at large

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

## Letter from The President:

I hope everyone was able to enjoy their holiday this year. It's hard to be away from friends and loved ones. I did enjoy the little bit of calm this year and I do try to look at the positive in situations. With the vaccine starting to be given, we have hope that we will have a closer-to-normal year. As the board meets this month, we will plan our events with a full schedule. With that being said, we will need volunteers for our trail rides, parades and horse show. If anyone is interested in helping please reach out to me for trail rides to Betsy Faitz for Parades and to Ghislaine deKoning for the horse show.

I am always looking for new ideas, rides, clinics or speakers. Please send a text or call me to let me know your thoughts. Any of our board members and officers are able to help.

Our current meetings will continue as Zoom meetings. Hopefully can get some help with training or ideas from guest speakers this year in our meetings. If you have a topic or speaker in mind, please let us know, and we will try to contact them to speak at a future General Meeting.

I look forward to getting back to a somewhat or close-to-normal year and enjoy our horse activities again.

Have a happy and safe New Year.

Vickie Wancho – 2021 LCMP President

## Trail Ride News and Protocol

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 or served behind the table by the Host, who will be wearing a mask and gloves. So, 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.

We **will not** have coffee and donuts in the morning, so plan accordingly. If you choose to bring something to share, please make sure that it is individually wrapped. We are learning like everyone else, of the protocol to hosting an event.

The Posse Board will have hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes and gloves to keep things clean. We can't wait to see you all. Let's ride and have fun!!!

Vickie Wancho  
2021 LCMP President





## Look What We've Been Up To!

On December 12<sup>th</sup>, The Board had a Poinsettia Raffle to 10 lucky Posse Members! The lucky winners were:

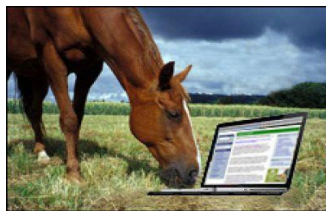
1. Cathy Alleman
2. Michele Kryszak
3. Jane Reinke
4. Erika Alto
5. Susan Pedersen
6. Bob Karstenson
7. Kirsten Gimm
8. Jenny Becker
9. Colleen Skofstad
10. Cynthia Parker

All Poinsettias were delivered by two elves on Sunday. Such a fun day!!! Thank you, Debi Neuman, for picking up the flowers, Mindy Sivright and Vickie Wancho for delivering the flowers to everyone's house.



## We have a new email address!

[lakecountymountedposse1957@gmail.com](mailto:lakecountymountedposse1957@gmail.com)



## WEBSITE and FB INFORMATION

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

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

For our Facebook page and our website, please send to us pictures from your rides or other activities you have done this summer. 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.

## 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 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”*



### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

1/13/2021 - General meeting via ZOOM – 7:30pm Watch for email invitation on your email

1/20/21 - Board meeting via ZOOM – 7:00pm.





**2021 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](http://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: Mindy Sivright 937 Queens Lane, Glenview, Ill. 60025**

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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