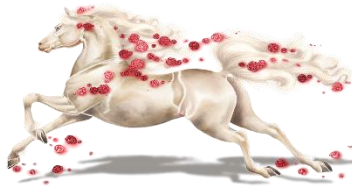




## FEBRUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER



**Our next General Meeting is Wednesday, February 12, 2025**

**We will meet at Yorkhouse Tavern & Table in the Encore Room, 4555 W. York House Rd., Wadsworth, IL**

The restaurant will be open if you would like to dine prior to the meeting. You can eat in the restaurant before the meeting or bring your meal upstairs to the meeting room. Food orders may take a bit to receive. Parking is on the east side of the building. If you would like to view the menu offerings, here is the website: [www.tavernandtable.net](http://www.tavernandtable.net)

Meeting will begin promptly at 7:00pm

We will be playing Bingo after the meeting.

### **FEATURED POSSE MEMBER: BETH SANTI**

This month, meet Beth Santi. Beth lives in Trevor Wisconsin with her husband Ray. They have been married for 26 years and, between the two of them, have 6 children, 16 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild and one on the way. Beth works at AbbVie as a manager for Product Safety Team (PST) Operations. She has been with the company for 25 years and looks forward to retiring in July, 2027. Her passions include her family, her faith as a Messianic Jew, her friends and horses.

Beth has a cat named Bucatini (Buca) and her heart horse, BeyV Afire (aka. Pearl). Pearl is a feisty 11-year-old dark bay Arab/paint mix, who is boarded at French Kiss Farm in Bristol, WI. Pearl can be ridden western and English and was successfully shown in English classes in the past.

Beth grew up loving horses and riding whenever possible. She worked a few jobs at various stables just to be near them and even went to White Pines Ranch summer camp as a kid. As an adult, horses were put on the back-burner while she raised her family. Beth started riding lessons at 57 and at 58, decided to take the plunge and purchase her first horse (Pearl). A second horse (Max) was bought about 2 months later (Max has since crossed over the rainbow bridge).



Beth started her LCMP associate year in 2022 and has been a member (and the secretary) since 2023. The Posse means a lot to her, not only because of the great opportunities to do things with Pearl but because of the great friends she has made. Spending time with people that share her love for horses, are a lot of fun, and provide a great resource of horse expertise has been incredibly valuable to someone that has only owned horses for 4 years. One of her favorite Posse activity is the parades, probably because Pearl believes everyone is there to see her specifically. Watching Pearl interact with the crowds and bring smiles to people's faces is very rewarding to Beth.

The Lake County Mounted Posse has been such a blessing in Beth's life. Being the secretary (for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year now) is hard work and a big time commitment but is her way to pay back, to contribute to the Posse and hopefully, ensure it continues for future generations. And on that note, Beth has instilled her love for horses onto her granddaughter Lillie Lehman, who is taking riding lessons now and hopes to join the posse at some point in 2025.

## PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2025

Please get your membership forms and dues turned in! The February General Meeting is the deadline to guarantee your name is printed in our Directory. Send your Membership renewal and signed Waiver to:

Beth Santi  
29103 112th Place  
Trevor, WI 53179  
Make checks to: LCMP



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

- 2/12 **General Meeting** – Yorkhouse Tavern & Table in the Encore Room. 4555 W. York House Rd., Wadsworth, IL. Meeting will start promptly at 7:00 but come early and eat dinner.
- 2/23 **Bowling** – Bertrand Lanes, 2616 Washington St., Waukegan, IL 60085. Sign-in at 12:30, bowling starts at 1. Cost is \$10 for members and children under 10; \$20 for guests – fee includes show rental and 2 games. Club covers pizza and soda.
- 2/26 **Board Meeting** – 7:00 pm Thirsty Horse. If you would like to attend a Board Meeting, please contact Debi Neuman and she will add you to the agenda. Be sure to let her know what you would like to discuss with the board

## TENTATIVE DATES FOR FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Date	Activity	Contact
Saturday, Apr 5 <sup>th</sup>	Trail ride - Lakewood	Lynn Goodell and Karen Sullivan
Sunday, Apr 27 <sup>th</sup>	Trail ride - Ravens Glen	Vickie Wancho and Mindy Sivright
Saturday, May 10 <sup>th</sup>	Mother's Day Trail ride – Chain O' Lakes	Cindy Brademan
Mid Jun/Weekday	Trail Ride – Glacier, Mid June	Moon, Robertson, Rieter, Povich
Saturday, Sep 14 <sup>th</sup>	Trail Ride - Bong	The Yanuzzis
Sunday, Oct 5 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Ride – Old School Forest Preserve, Shelter C	The Posse
Saturday, Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>	Halloween Trail Ride – Chain O Lakes	Friels and Debi Neuman

We are aiming to host 12 rides this year. To those who have signed up already - Thank You!

Please contact Kimberley Moon or Debi Neuman for any questions for hosting a trail ride, and or go to [www.lcmp.info](http://www.lcmp.info) for a guide to hosting a trail ride under forms and documents. Detail specifics for each ride will be in future newsletters.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

<b>Income/Expenses for 2024</b>	<b>\$</b>
Membership Dues	5,110.00
Horse Show	3,663.87
Parades	1,686.87
Fall Ride	300.24
Misc Costs	(1,480.12)
Insurance	(1,693.00)
Trail Rides	(1,527.88)
Play Day	(538.27)
Dances With Horses	(283.67)
Bowling Party	(113.50)
Christmas Party	(2,487.73)
Clinic	(169.08)
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>2467.73</b>

CD	5,213.18
Checking Account	7,957.60
<b>Total Funds at End of 2024</b>	<b>13,170.78</b>

## **WE NEED HORSE SHOW SPONSORS**

Our Horse show will be here faster than you think! The success of our show is based on the participants and volunteers but the biggest impact to the bottom line is the number of sponsors we can get. Let's have everyone commit to getting a sponsor or two for the show. Ask for support from your farrier, vet, farm store, feed store, equine dentist, trainer, the place that services your truck or tractor, the shavings vendor, the doctor of chiropractor that puts you back together after a fall :-), (in my case they could pay for the whole show LOL), the store you buy your carrots at, the insurance dealer, or anyone that loves horses and wants to see these local horse shows continue.

The first large dollar sponsors will be able to have their names on the show bill sponsoring the high points and the payback classes. There are a limited number of classes so get the \$\$ in early if they want that extra perk. Everyone that sponsors will be announced throughout the day, their names will be displayed on our sponsor boards for everyone to see, and we would love business cards or brochures to put out on the registration table.

## **WEBSITE and FB INFORMATION**

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

[friel.horses1996@gmail.com](mailto:friel.horses1996@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 are interested in helping with the website, please contact Matt Friel for details.

## **WEBSITE PICTURES**

For new members and anyone who want to update their picture on the Posse website, please send your photo to Matt Friel at [webmaster@lcmp.info](mailto:webmaster@lcmp.info). Please send the picture as an attachment in your email.

## **COMMITTEE CHAIRS & TEAMS**

The membership cannot thrive without the help from our members on various committee jobs. This year, we would like to put together teams to assist with each Committee Chair. **We need volunteers** - please contact Jennifer Friel or Debi Neuman if you are interested in helping out. The Board will help you all the way. Thank you so much!!

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Chair(s)</b>
Associate Liaison/Resources	Lynn Goodell & Beth Santi
Communications/Website	Jennifer & Matt Friel
Fall Ride	TBD
Holiday Party	Betsy Faitz & TBD
Horse Show	Ghislaine deKoning / Kelly Dickson
Legislative Committee	Lynn Goodell
Non-Riding Events	The Board
Parades	Betsy Faitz & Mindy Sivright
Play Days	The Board
Possee Apparel	Betsy Faitz & Matt Friel
Trail Rides	Kim Moon & Debi Neuman

## **OFFICERS FOR 2025**

President: Debi Neuman  
Vice President: Mike Mahan  
Secretary: Beth Santi  
Treasurer: Ghislaine deKoning

If you have any membership questions or concerns, please feel let us know – we'll help however we can.



### **\*\*\*POSSE WEAR and VEHICLE DECALS\*\*\***

We will have vinyl decals for your car, truck or horse trailer available for purchase in May! We will sell small shield and star logos at meetings and events. Large decals and stickers are available for purchase directly from the vendor.

Link for Besco: <https://bescoawards.com/main.sc>

Link for The Lettering Machine for T-Shirts: <https://theletteringmachine.com/LCMP/shop/home>

### **ANIE'S 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"*