



APRIL 2026 NEWSLETTER



Our next General Meeting is Wednesday, April 8, 2026

We will meet at **Tacos El Norte**, 401 N Riverside Dr., Gurnee, Illinois
The meeting room opens at 6:00pm if you would like to dine prior to the meeting.
Meeting will begin promptly at 7:00pm.

We will be playing BINGO

TRAIL RIDE LUNCH UPDATE - NEW

Hey LCMP riders and non-riders, take note that we have updated lunch guidelines for the trail rides this year. The Host's budget for lunch has been reduced to \$100 to cover the main course. Members who come for lunch and the ride should bring a dish to share, such as potato salads, chips, brownies or fruit. Please contact either the host or Mindy Sivright if you have any questions. We will continue to supply all the drinks and paper goods like always.

We have 1 ride that still needs a Host. Rides without a host will not have lunch provided. Contact Mindy if you are interested in Hosting a ride.

Thank you everyone! We are looking forward to a really fun year.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW 2026 ASSOCIATES

- Colleen Obenauf
- Wendy Tanneberger
- Jennifer Wise

Please join the board in welcoming them to the LCMP!!





MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR APRIL

04/08 **General Meeting**

04/22 **Board Meeting** – 7:00 pm Thirsty Horse. If you would like to attend a Board Meeting to discuss a topic, contact Sheri Roberson and she will add you to the agenda

04/26 **Trail Ride** – Raven Glen hosted by Karen Ziemann and Tami Bridges. Meet at 9:30, ride out at 10, lunch at noon. Serving shredded BBQ chicken sandwiches with coleslaw. Please bring a chair and a dish to share.

TENTATIVE DATES FOR FUTURE ACTIVITIES

Date	Activity	Ride Host(s)*
May 9	Mothers Day Ride – Chain O Lakes, Spring Grove IL	Cindy Brademan
May 30	Trail Ride – Sterling Lake/Van Patten Woods, Wadsworth IL	Kelly Dickson
June 17	Trail Ride – Glacial Park, Ringwood, IL	Kim Moon
June 20	Parade, Mundelein, IL	Betsy Faitz
Jun 26	Evening Trail Ride – Sterling Lake/Van Patten Woods, Wadsworth IL	Fran & Trisha Yanuzzi
Jul 4	Parade, Antioch IL	Betsy Faitz
Jul 5	Parade, Mundelein IL	Betsy Faitz
Jul 11	Horse Show	Ghislaine deKoning, Kelly Dickson
Jul 12	Parade, Bristol WI	Betsy Faitz
Jul 18	Trail Ride – Rush Creek, Harvard IL	Vickie Wancho / Mindy Sivright
Jul 26	Trail Ride – Lakewood Forest Preserve, Wauconda IL	Lynn Goodell/Karen Sullivan
Aug 15	Parade - Grayslake IL	Betsy Faitz
Aug 16	Trail Ride – Oak Ridge Forest Preserve, Cherry Valley IL	Jen Wise
Aug 30	Trail Ride – Sedge Meadow Forest Preserve, Wadsworth IL	Jamie Cusker/Beth Santi
Sep 13	Trail Ride – Barrington Riding Center	Pam Zeidman / Kim Moon / Nebi Neuman
Sep 20	Trail Ride – Brookdale , Woodstock IL	Need Host(s)
Oct 4	Fall Ride – Richard Bong State Park, Kansasville WI	LCMP Board
Oct 24	Halloween Trail Ride – Chain O Lakes, Spring Grove IL	Debi Neuman / Jen & Matt Friel
Nov 7	Bonfire at Ghislaines. Bring chili, sides and/or dessert. Soda, water provided by posse.	Ghislaine deKoning
Dec 5	Holiday Party – Parkway Banquet in Ingleside, IL	Betsy Faitz

*Hosts only provide the main dish. Attendees are expected to bring sides. Trail ride food budget for host is \$100 (excluding the fall ride). See Lake County Mounted Posse website form *How to Host a Trail Ride* for more information. Link: <http://www.lcmp.info/formsdocuments.html>

WHOA & BEHOLD: BITS OF WISDOM

Monthly Equine Trivia

April: The “Flehmen Response”

When a horse curls its lip, it is not smiling at you. It is using the Flehmen response to trap scents in a special organ on the roof of their mouth. This helps them analyze new spring smells or pheromones much better.

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, 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 may have their names on the show bill sponsoring classes. Everyone that sponsors will be announced throughout the day, their names will be displayed on our sponsor boards for everyone to see, and we will place business cards or brochures out on the registration table.

WEBSITE and FACEBOOK INFORMATION

www.lcmp.info

thecoddess@gmail.com

Share Your Saddle Snapshots! 📷🐾

Whether you're hitting the trails, practicing in the arena, or just enjoying some quiet barn time, we want to see what you and your equine partners are up to!

Help us showcase the spirit of the Lake County Mounted Posse by sharing your photos. We love featuring our members and their horses on our social media to highlight the amazing things our community does.

What we're looking for:

- Trail rides and scenic views
- Parades, events, and local shows
- Training sessions or arena work
- Candid moments grooming, grazing, or relaxing at the barn

How to submit:

Simply send your photos directly to the **Lake County Mounted Posse Facebook Messenger**. Don't forget to include your horse's name and a quick sentence or two about what you're up to in the picture! Let's fill our feed with the best-looking horses and riders of the Lake County Mounted Posse!

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 Sheri Roberson or Kelly Dickson if you are interested in helping out. The Board will help you all the way. Thank you so much!!

Committee	Chairs
Associate Liaison/Resources	Lynn Goodell, Beth Santi, Ghislaine deKoning
Communications/Website	Karen Ziemann, Matt Friel
Equine Trail Sports Show	Karen Ziemann, Sheri Roberson, Tami Bridges, Trisha Yanuzzi
Fall Ride	Ghislaine deKoning
Holiday Party	Betsy Faitz
Horse Show	Ghislaine deKoning, Kelly Dickson, Tami Bridges, Kelsey Mascorro
Legislative Committee	Lynn Goodell
Non-Riding Events	The Board
Parades	Betsy Faitz, Mindy Sivright, Jennifer Friel, Kelly Dickson
Play Days	The Board
Possee Apparel	Betsy Faitz, Matt Friel
Trail Rides	Mindy Sivright
LCMP 70 th Anniversary Party	Debi Neuman, Kim Moon
Food	Mike Mahan

OFFICERS FOR 2026

President: Sheri Roberson
Vice President: Kelly Dickson
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

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”