



August/September

Greetings MLHC members! I hope you and your families are doing well! I have started my 30th year of teaching art at the elementary level. That doesn't seem possible! Maybe you have kids or grandkids that have started back to school too. It sure is a busy time of year!

There are a few events coming up that I want you to be aware of and hopefully participate in! We are having a member camping weekend at Indian Hill campground in Muncie the weekend of Sept 9-11. We are celebrating our 80th year! If you buy one night, the club will pay for the second night. We may have to have you pay for both nights and then we will reimburse you. Come and enjoy camping and riding together!

Our September member meeting will be on Wednesday the 14th at the Alliance Equestrian Center. Allison Whisler is the owner and trainer. She is going to demonstrate how she trains her horses to work at liberty. It is so fascinating what she can do! We will meet there at 7 pm. The address is 2400 N. Co. Rd. 725 W. Yorktown, IN. I hope to see you there! Also on Saturday September 17th we will have a trail clean up from 9 am to noon followed by lunch and then we can go back out and work on the trails after lunch. I hope to see you there!

The October member meeting will be at The Skillman Veterinary Services on Friday, Oct 7th. Dr. Skillman is having an open house at her new facility. The address is 4741 E. 400 S. Middletown, IN. The bluegrass group I play in will be performing there that evening. Come anytime between 4 and 7 pm. I live right next door, so we may continue hanging out at my house after the open house! More details to come!

Also Saturday, October 22 is the Ball State University Homecoming Parade. We plan on riding our horses in the parade. The parade starts at 9:00 a.m. so we would probably need to be there around 8:00 a.m. to get our horse ready. Please let me know if you plan on riding in the parade.



Before you know it, it will be time for elections to the MLHC board. Our board members have worked so hard to keep this club going. I appreciate everything they have done this year as well as all of the members who have helped with club events. We couldn't do it without your help! If you are interested in being on the board please let Greg Wilkins, Julie Carter, Jen Speedy, Lisa Taylor, Jill Hall, Bill or Ilene Parrish, or me know. Elections are on Monday, November 14th at Mansfield park with a pitch in dinner. Dr. Natalie Skillman will be our guest speaker. She has opened a new horse clinic near Middletown.

The number of members that attend the monthly meetings has been really down. I have been wondering if we should discontinue the monthly meetings and only get together for the election, Christmas party, trail clean-ups, the Round Up and field trips or special events. I want this to be YOUR club. What would you like to have at the club barn? What would make membership more appealing or enjoyable? Please let us know! If you have any concerns, questions, or fun ideas, please feel free to call or email me!

God Bless and Happy Trails!

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