



# Longbranch Improvement Club *For the Betterment of the Community*

### **DOCK WORK PARTY:**

We have scheduled a **WORK PARTY** for March 27<sup>th</sup>, starting at **9:00 am**. This will be one of two only work parties prior to the annual Dock Breakfast. We need workers to help spruce up the dock, get some additional electrical work done, paint if the weather permits and do other much needed repairs.

On Saturday, we will also be working on fixing any remaining "leaks" in the water system at the dock prior to the new lines going in under the road (see below). Please call Dave Wickland at 884-3163 prior to Saturday if you are able to help so we can plan the attack!

### **WATER UPDATE**

Our right of way permit has been approved by the county and we have one quick permit process to complete to start work on relocating and increasing the size of the water pipe from the valve on the Mercantile property to the dock.

This will be upgraded to a 2" line and will get the line out of the drain culvert. This should increase our supply of water at the dock and allow for greater pressure.

This work should be finished within the next 3 weeks. On Saturday, we will also be working on fixing any remaining "leaks" in the system at the dock.

### **INSURANCE**

There are still some moorage members that have not turned in their proof of insurance for moorage at the marina. This was due by January 31.

Please get this to us before the end of this month.

*Respectfully submitted, Dave Wickland, Dock Chairman, 884.3163, [dwick@pacifictrade.com](mailto:dwick@pacifictrade.com)*



## **Building a Better, even more Vibrant Club...**

*LIC Planners Make Great Progress!*



**Final Meeting March 31<sup>st</sup> 7-9 pm at the Clubhouse**



### **Plan to leave with enthusiasm and a renewed respect for our 89-year old institution . . .**

The planning groups for Community, Events, Building and Marina have developed impressive, achievable and appropriate goals and tactics. Their preliminary findings will be discussed and refined in one more meeting (*instead of four*) to be held the last Wednesday of March.

Please join us on March 31 at 7pm (*sharp*) for two hours of lively and engaging conversation.

The club will benefit from everyone's viewpoint and you will earn volunteer hours for your two-hour participation. Specifically, we'll discuss the situation, the possibilities, the immediate and long-term goals for each area of interest --- sharing our insights and helping develop big new directions for the LIC. Please come prepared to think, laugh and discuss openly.

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# President's Letter

**April 2010 . . .**

Here we are almost at April's door.....does anyone else wonder where all the time went?!!

It seems like we were just here doing this yesterday. However, we have had some happenings since then.

First of all, I want to thank **John Biggs** and another "**Army of Volunteers**" for Spuds and Suds on March 13th. The food was exceptional, the Club House cleverly decorated, the band kept our toes tapping, the entertainment was great. All in all a wonderful evening. The only thing we missed were more of you attending, but for those of us who were there, it was well worth our time and effort.

As I mentioned at our last Membership Meeting (*on St. Patrick's Day night*), we had a very successful meeting with our County Councilman, Terry Lee on March 2nd to discuss the issue with the County and the Wharf that connects to our Marina. Terry Lee called Sen. Derek Kilmer as soon as our meeting was over to bring him up to date on the issue and to seek his help in obtaining grant monies to replace the existing wharf. I attempted to speak with Sen. Kilmer in his office at the Legislature in Olympia, but he was busy and his Assistant will be calling me back as soon as the Legislative Session is over and we when we can meet with him.

Those of us who have been involved in the meetings with the County and Terry Lee will be meeting early next week to come up with several alternative plans in order to have access to and from the Marina for our LIC Members as well as guest boaters. We will keep you posted as we proceed with this issue.

As you know, we have had planning meetings on the Community, Events, Building and Grounds and the Marina. Our third and final meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 31st and I hope

many of you come to hear the final plans and suggestions. There have been valuable ideas on all four of these topics and we will be incorporating them into our Mission Statement: For the betterment of the community. Our community is all of us, and moving forward and improving what has been done by those who have preceded us is a most valuable task. I look forward to serving the LIC and your needs as best I can.

*Submitted by Pat Muchmore, President LIC,  
884.3890, patroon9047@aol.com*



We are happy to announce that **Linda LeBlanc** is our new Sunshine Lady! She resumes in place of **Vicki Biggs** . . . we surely want to thank Vicki for her contributions to the LIC and its members!



**NOTE to ALL:**

We have found a man's and a woman's jacket that were left in the LIC Club House. The man's jacket was left after Feast or Famine and the woman's jacket was left after Suds and Spuds. Please contact the LIC Club House at 884-6022 and leave a message for Lynn Dalsing - Rental Agent - make sure you leave the information she'll need for making contact with you for pick-up.

# General Membership Meeting Minutes

## Longbranch Improvement Club . . . Meeting Minutes from the General Membership Meeting March 17, 2010, 7:00 PM Dessert

**Attendance.** Board Members Muchmore, Lippert, Heitzman, Wickland, Carr, Johnson, Pritchard and Baillie were in attendance. About 20 members also attended.

**Call to Order.** President Muchmore called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

**Approval of Agenda.** The agenda was tacitly approved as presented.

**President's Report.** Pat Muchmore gave an oral report on her visit to Evergreen Elementary for their Title I Academic Achievement Award. She also gave an oral report on the meeting earlier this month with Pierce County Vice Chair Terry Lee. Next actions include a meeting with Derek Kilmer. Pat thanked John Biggs and his crew of volunteers for their efforts to bring about Spuds and Suds.

**Vice President's Report.** Gretchen Lippert gave an oral report regarding participation in the Heritage League.

**Secretary's Report.** The minutes from the last month's general membership meeting were approved as submitted.

**Treasurer's Report.** Tim Heitzman presented oral and written reports on the financial status of the LIC. Tim also encouraged members to visit the new and improved LIC website. Thanks to Rich Hildahl and his team for conducting the annual audit. Two sessions of planning meetings have been held. A third, combined meeting will wrap up the planning effort by the committees. Tim summarized the support that the LIC gives the Peninsula School District.

**Buildings and Grounds.** Lynn Carr presented an oral report. Lynn thanked Dave Wiley for filling potholes. The flagpole will be fixed soon.

**Dock Chairman.** Dave expressed hope that the Glennon boat will be removed soon. A dock work party will be held on Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. Winter moorage ends March 31<sup>st</sup>. Dave reminded members to get their insurance certificates submitted. Dave asked for volunteers for the Memorial Day Dance, May 29<sup>th</sup>. Mark Runions described the band playing for the dance, Oasis, and encouraged all to attend.

**Events Chair.** Pat Muchmore again requested a volunteer for the Events Chair. She described the position as mostly organizing. The lack of an Events Chair is a problem for the LIC.

**Membership Chair.** Jan Pritchard presented an oral report. She thanked the hostesses for the nights meeting. She will present

**Trustee.** Phil Johnson had nothing to report.

**Announcements.** A road pickup is scheduled for Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> in the AM. Carolyn Wiley would like a volunteer for the aluminum can recycling.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Geoffrey L. Baillie, Secretary,*



# Other LIC Happenings . . .

The "DONNA LEE" . . .

Just prior to our monthly board meeting I received a call from Wendy Glennon advising me that they had a buyer for the "Donna Lee".

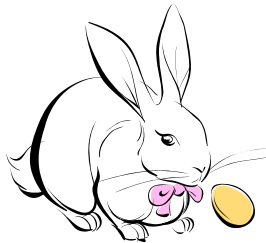
The board issued a letter to John to let him know that if the boat was removed from the dock, and from Fulicy Bay within 30 days, the LIC would forgive the moorage debt that has accrued since 2009.

On Saturday, March 20th, the "Donna Lee" was removed from the Longbranch Marina.

Now the dock committee will take up the task of deciding to use that space for transient moorage or configure the space to install additional fingers to be used as permanent moorage space for boat sizes in the 30-35' range. We currently do not have any slips for this size.

If you have any suggestions regarding this, please call Dave Wickland @884.3163 or forward them to [dave@sailclassics.com](mailto:dave@sailclassics.com).

The Annual **Egg-Stravaganza** has been cancelled this year . . .



Unfortunately due to a personal conflict I won't be able to do our annual Egg hunt. Although I am very happy to announce that **Camp**

**Coleman** will be hosting a Brunch and Egg Hunt April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10-12pm. Please RSVP @ 884-3844. This is also a free event. Don't forget to bring your baskets.

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Our former LIC member, **John McMenamin**, who now lives in California, will turn 92 on April 1, **and that's no fool!**



HAPPY 92ND BIRTHDAY John!

Here's to many more!

Keep your chin up and keep on trucking!

Best wishes from all your friends of the LIC!

THANKS ROAD WARRIORS!

**Bob McFarlane** led a stalwart crew of seven in cleaning up our section of Key Peninsula Highway. **Patty and Denny Carroll, Dave Dahl, Spring and Faith Higgins, and Denny and Jan Prichard** joined him in picking up trash and enjoying the gorgeous first day of Spring. Bonuses were friendly horses, frisky lambs, tons of daffodils, high-fives from passing motorists... and very little trash!

For your calendar . . .

**Upcoming Dock Breakfast  
At the LIC Marina/Dock  
Saturday May 1<sup>st</sup>  
8-11 AM**

# Membership News

Mark your calendars for the April  
General "Potluck" Meeting Wednesday,  
April 21st at 6:30 pm

Many thanks to **Ann Dearing, Eloise Colbert** and **Marcia Horan** for serving as hostesses at our March meeting on St. Patrick's Day. We enjoyed a bevy of delicious desserts, augmented by a great selection of drinks from the bar. After a brief business meeting, a drawing for door prizes and a few Irish stories, we managed to find plenty of time to return to the important business of catching up with the latest and sneaking in a few more delicious tastes of this and that.

Kudos to new members **Spring Higgins** and **Robert Johnson** for volunteering to take over the aluminum can recycling duties. All the money received from turning in flattened cans goes to our scholarship fund. If you wish to donate your cans, you can bring them to a meeting or put them in the recycling barrels at the dock. (AND you'll get loads of extra brownie points if you flatten them first.)

Three members took advantage of the opportunity to get their food handler's card at the class held in Vaughn. **Bob McFarlane, Barb Copley** and **Jan Prichard** all passed with flying colors!

Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup> is Spring Cleaning day at the Club and the Dock...just in time to get all spruced up for the Dock Breakfast. Hope to see you there! (9 a.m. start)

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