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Member Newsletter

Longbranch Improvement Club

For the Betterment of the Community



General 'Dessert' Meeting, Wed. September 19, 7:00 pm

President's Report

Summer is getting short, but we still have fun events for all. The Labor Day Dance with Mojo Overload will be on September 1st. Volunteers are needed, so please contact Tim Heitzman to help out. Also, please plan on attending as the band is quite good (they packed the house last year for the Memorial Day Dance). As this is one of the major sources of funding for the LIC, please purchase tickets to help out.

The power squadron will be back again this year to help with Marina maintenance and small projects. No date has been set, but we appreciate their help. Lynn Carr will coordinate. Lynn has been doing a super job as Dockmaster.

Please send old photos and other historical items to Lynn Larson, LIC Historian, as she continues to create annual assemblages and perform archiving. Thanks to Eloise Colbert for helping out with the archiving.

Doug Lewis, Building and Grounds, has an aggressive list of things to accomplish for the building, but he needs help. Please contact him to help out.

Geoff Baillie, President gbaillie@msn.com





LONGBRANCH IMPROVEMENT CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES August 15, 2012

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Francie Carr, Doug Lewis, Tim Heitzman, CC Williams, Denny Prichard for Randy Babich, Peg Bingham

Meeting called to order at 7:06 by Treasurer Francie Carr.

Agenda presented for approval. Motion made, seconded and approved.

REPORTS:

SECRETARY: Peg Bingham asked to have the Minutes of the last meeting approved. Motion made, seconded and approved.

TREASURER: Francie Carr reported that building rentals remain below expectations and marina revenue is on target. The Croquet Tournament was a success with the LIC netting approximately \$1400 which included \$400 for sale of brats and \$1000 for registration money. The KPCCA netted approximately \$4800 which included a grant from the LIC of \$1382 from bribe money and sponsorships. Francie thanked Tim for his hard work and Tim in turn thanked his crew for the tournament.

Building expenses are below budget and the marina expenses are above the projection through July.

D & O insurance has been paid and we have requested a quote for next year's insurance. The checking account balance is \$77,521 through the end of July.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS: Doug Lewis reported that a new toilet had been installed in the men's room. Loud cheers. Two window panes have been installed and small electrical problems repaired. He would like to form a small committee not to do work but to come with ideas for future projects for the building that can be taken to the board. If you would like to serve on this committee please let Doug know. He also requested that if any member notices something broken or needing repair in the building or on the grounds to please let him know.

MEMBERSHIP: CC Williams announced that we had 169 members. CC thanked the evening's hostesses, Norma Larson, Jo Hamilton, A.J. Million and Barb Van Bogart. She asked for volunteers to serve at next month's meeting. Sandy and Cindi Black volunteered.

MARINA: Denny Prichard said the marina was doing pretty well and was selling lots of ice right now. Lynn Carr is very, very busy and seems to be at the dock 6 – 8 hours a day. The WiFi and security cameras are working. There have been gas thefts on the dinghy dock at night and the cameras did not pick them up because it was dark, but they are working on that aspect of the problem. Francie Carr said she lives across the bay from the marina and can pick up the WiFi from her home. She also reported that the DNR put another notice on Craig's boat anchored out in the harbor, so maybe it will soon be removed.

EVENTS: Tim Heitzman has advance tickets for sale for the Labor Day Dance. At the committee meeting they recapped the Croquet Tournament which was a big success and made some notes for next year to make it even better. Great food, great beer on tap, had 22 teams and the judges took in \$1700 in bribes. The dance is coming up, we do not have a captain for it, so Tim is the one to talk to about the dance. He passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers. He is planning on running a tight ship without a lot of people standing around. Carolyn Wiley is handling the publicity and Doug and Betty Lewis are chairing the decorations committee, Help is still needed for bartenders, bar backs and set-up. We especially need hospitality to greet the boaters when they arrive and get them inside and hopefully up to the bar. The kitchen will be serving food. We need a couple security people to wander around and keep an eye on things. The membership will be called in the next couple weeks if not enough volunteers sign up to help at the dance. Cheryl Samuels is here giving a couple workshops on Indian weaving. This is a LIC event and is sold out. Save Saturday, October 6th for the Fiber Arts Show which has something for everyone.

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Apple crisp will be sold as well as hot cider and mulled wine and there will be free parking. Save Saturday October 27th for a costume crazy party to celebrate Halloween with your friends and neighbors. Geoff Baillie's band will play. It is a fun evening and is low price. Trunk or Treat will be held again this year. One last item, somewhere around November 9th, a Friday night, we are going to try to have a spaghetti social at \$10 a ticket, kids half price all you can eat spaghetti, green salad and French bread. Come, have a good dinner, sit around and visit with your friends and neighbors. The November General Membership meeting is being moved to the second Wednesday, November 14th. The third Wednesday is the day before Thanksgiving.

AT-LARGE REPORT: Phil Johnson not present. No report.

VICE PRESIDENT: Gayle Brewer not present. No report.

PRESIDENT: Geoff Baillie not present. No report.

LIC HISTORIAN: Lynn Larson not present. No report.

OLD BUSINESS: The final version of the Long Range Planning Guidance had been e-mailed to all the members and is posted on the web site. Francie asked for approval from the General Membership to give approval for the Board to go ahead with a plan following these guide lines. It was brought up that not everyone had seen the final version. CC will e-mail the final version to all the member e-mail addresses that she has on her list. The question of whether or not a quorum was present was asked. It was decided to go ahead with the vote and Francie will check the by-laws regarding the number required for a quorum and if needed the vote will be taken again at the next meeting. A motion to accept the Long Range Planning Guidance list as proposed was made, seconded and passed.

NEW BUSINESS: Carolyn Wiley announced that tomorrow night at the Library Cheryl Samuels would be presenting a talk on weaving. There is no charge for this event.

Peg Bingham asked for kitchen volunteers for the Labor Day Dance as the kitchen crew is getting a little burned out. A Food Handler's card is required and can be obtained on-line and the LIC will reimburse the \$10 fee. Please contact Peg if you can help.

As there was no other business a motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded and passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted. Peg Bingham, Secretary

Thank you notes were received from the following organizations:

Jud Morris from the Children's Home Society of Washington thanking the LIC for their contribution to the 2012 Summer Fun Program which provides needy children of the Key Peninsula with a fun and safe summer day camp.

Connie Hildahl from the Key Peninsula Historical Society thanking the LIC for support, guidance and help with their recent cruise. Included in the thank you was a donation to the LIC.

OLYMPIA SCHOONER COMPANY AND THE MOSQUITO FLEET SUSTAINABLE SHIPPING PROJECT TO VISIT BOSTON HARBOR, LONG BRANCH AND SOUTH SOUND COMMUNITIES

July 1st, 2012 marked the return of the historic "Mosquito Fleet" to the Key Peninsula. The endeavor got its start in "Business and Sustainability," a program at The Evergreen State College. Its goal is to establish an entirely alternative, emissions-free shipping service, and to bring together local farms, businesses, and South Sound communities.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, Setpember 23. This will be the fifth delivery to Boston Harbor Marina. The Schooner Pleiades will arrive at 9am-9:30 am on the outer dock of the marina, with a load of produce, and passengers. We will then depart for Longbranch, arriving between 2 and 3pm for our fourth delivery to Longbranch.

The business model of transporting cargo, goods, produce, and passengers--in a sustainable manner--is viable and will continue to increase in importance with rising oil prices, and with the logged I-5 corridor beginning to limit transport of commodities around Western Washington.

Hoyle Hodges--owner of the Olympia Schooner Company and Captain of the *Pleiades--*said, "I can sail from Olympia to Long Branch almost as fast as a truck can drive there, even faster, with the right currents and weather conditions" "Doing this in a sustainable manner, without contributing to the pollution of our beautiful Pacific Northwest environment, is our goal".

The Mosquito Fleet of the last century was a major influence on building community around the Puget Sound. Today the Olympia Schooner Company wants to take that same sense of community and bring it back in a sustainable manner. By delivering local goods and produce they can contribute to our local economy, in these hard economic times, and bring a network of individuals, families, and businesses together.

Hodges said, "We want to establish a regular route with set dates and times between Olympia, Boston Harbor, Long Branch, Steilacoom and other South Sound communities transporting goods and passengers both ways. Our last delivery to Boston Harbor included a full selection of organic fruits and vegetables and was filmed by a King 5 News crew."

The schooner and its crew were met at Longbranch with applause from locals--who recognize the importance of the Mosquito Fleet, and the return of this sustainable maritime culture to Southern Puget Sound. Members of the crew described how the produce--from organic farmers and vendors at the Olympia Market--is "biked to the boat," by Evergreen students.

The Evergreen State College and its Business Sustainability class were the inspiration to move the Mosquito Fleet concept into an actual project, and further into its current business form with the Olympia Schooner Company and the S/V Pleiades. Professors and faculty members Rebecca Chamberlain and Bob McIntosh continue to mentor and assist their current and former students.

To learn more about this project, or to place an order for our next delivery to Boston Harbor and Longbranch on Sept 23rd, call Hoyle Hodges at 360-867-1932 or email him at

hhodges@olympiaschoonercompany.com

You can read a story about them in the Olympian at http://www.theolympian.com/2012/07/09/2167975/banking-on-repeat-of-mosquito.html

You can see a short Film of the first delivery from Olympia to Boston Harbor earlier this year at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bp7C0AEyYNs

And a Movie Trailer style commercial at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iiToike1rA8

They are are featured on the Energy Bulletin web site http://www.energybulletin.net/stories/2012-07-16/mosquito-fleet-sustainable-shipping-olympia-schooner-company-interview

And on the Sail Transport Network web site

http://culturechange.org/cms/index.php?option=com_content&task=blogsection&id=9&Itemid=73
A KING 5 News story / film about them

http://www.king5.com/video/featured-videos/Olympia-man-delivering-groceries-by-boat-165801796.html

LIC Events up and coming...

Local favorite Mojo Overload returns for our **Labor Day Dance** on September 1. Come enjoy their popular blues/rock sound. This dance has the potential to be our best und-raiser event of the year – we offer "no-show" tickets for members who want to support the club but don't want to drink or dance to a loud band. Or surprise everyone and join the happy boaters from our Marina for a night of spirited fun.

Save some makeup for our **Halloween Party** on October 27 featuring Geoff Baillie's Blues Passage band. There'll be prizes for best (and worst) costumes with games for the whole family. The band is not TOO loud, the games are very easy. Masks and costumes are optional. Fun will be absolutely mandatory.

Ever-popular **Trunk or Treat** returns on October 31, sponsored by our PTA friends at Evergreen Elementary. Decorate your trunk, truck or trailer and get in the Halloween spirit with local kids and bags of candy. Sign-up and details at the October meeting.

Friday night special: November 9 is our first **Spaghetti Social**. Ten dollars for all you can eat (\$5 for kids under 12) with plenty of garlic bread, noodles and sauce, green salad and, drum roll, cheap Italian wine and dessert. A great event to invite non-member friends and neighbors. This event is a fund-raiser for a big new refrigerator.

Better next year? If you have thoughts on events for 2013, now's the time to speak up. Call me at 884-0577 or email tim@heitzmancreative.com with your ideas, concerns, gripes or praise. Or come to an Events Steering meeting, 7pm first Thursday at the clubhouse.

Tim













Pictures by N. Carr



These pictures are from the Aug 14-16 Cheryl Samuel Weaving class.

There will be more classes in the future, dates are still being finalized.

UPCOMING Events -

Sat, Sept 1—Labor Day Dance, LIC Clubhouse, 8:00—midnight, Mojo Overload

Mon. Sept 3 —Labor Day

Wed, Sept 5—Dock Meeting, 6:30 pm

Thu. Sept. 6 — Events Planning, LIC Clubhouse, 7:00 pm

Sun. Sept 9—Grandparents Day

Wed. Sept 19—General Meeting, Dessert, 7:00 pm, LIC Clubhouse

Sat. Sept 22—Wine Tasting at the Marina, 4:00—6:00 pm

Sun. Sept 23—Mosquito Fleet Produce schooner in Longbranch Marina between 2:00-3:00 pm

Sat. Sept 29—Health & Cancer Screening, Key Medical Center, Lakebay. See flyer page 8

Wed, Oct. 3—Dock Meeting, 6:30 pm

Thu, Oct 4—Events Planning, LIC Clubhouse, 7:00 pm

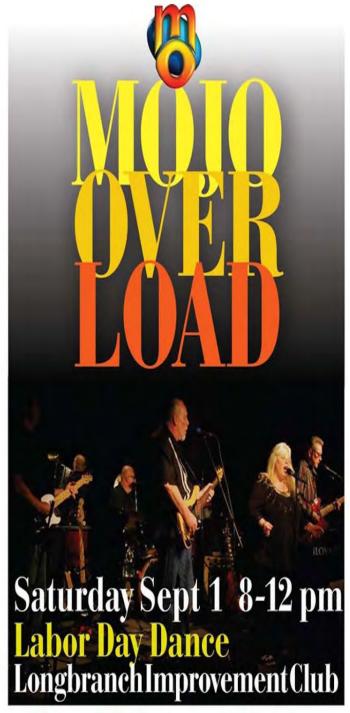
Sat, Oct. 6—Fiber Arts, LIC Clubhouse, 10:00—4:00, exhibits, demonstrations, vendors, petting zoo,

RECRUITING FOOD HANDLERS

The LIC is embarking on an ambitious program of events in the coming months, a number of which will have food service. While we have a good core of volunteers with Food Handler Cards it would be helpful to have additional card holders. I do not want to burn out the volunteers we have by asking too much and too often. The test can be taken online at www.tpchd.org . There is a \$10 fee reimbursed by the LIC. We have fun doing the work and are more than happy to arrange shifts and time spent at an event with each volunteer's wishes. Come join us.

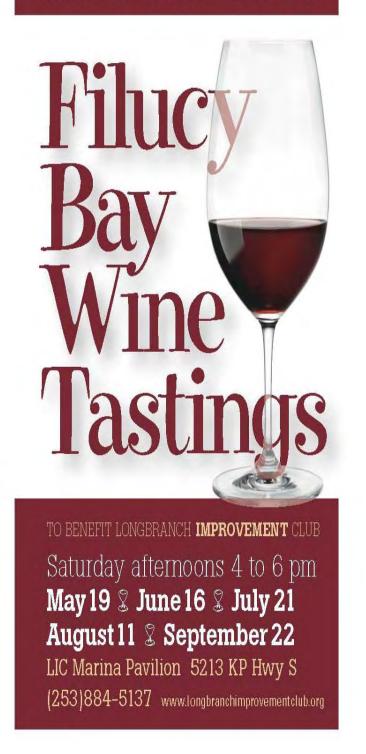
Sunshine

No sunshine activity again this month. If anyone knows of someone who needs cheering up, they should give me a call: 884-4468 or vickibiggs@centurytel.net



Tickets \$12.50 advance/ \$15 at door

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FREE HEALTH & CANCER SCREENING EVENT!

Join us for FREE cancer screenings and health care services.

Saturday, Sept. 29, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Key Medical Center, PLLC 15610 89th St., Ct., KPN Lakebay, WA 98349 253-884-9221

FREE SCREENINGS (walk-ins welcome!)

- Oral, head & neck cancer
- Prostate cancer screening
 Please call 253-426-6746 or e-mail
 jamiedobosz@fhshealth.org to make an appointment.
- Skin cancer screening
 Please call 253-426-6746 or e-mail
 jamiedobosz@fhshealth.org to make an appointment.
- Mammogram referrals—women ages 40–64 without health care coverage (a representative will be on-site to help determine eligibility criteria)
 *Low-cost and/or free mammograms are available for those who qualify in Gig Harbor



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We hope to see you at this special event! Questions? Please contact Jamie Dobosz at 253-426-6746.

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Mark your calendars for the 'Dessert' Membership Meeting, Wednesday, September 19, 7:00 pm If you are looking for a wonderfully equipped 21foot motorhome (Class B with only 39.000 miles), you might want to give us a call and take a test drive. We have enjoyed it for 5 years (we are only the 2nd owners), but need to sell due to health reasons.

It has an excellent sound system, lots of storage, microwave, refrigerator, Flush toilet, shower and so much more.

The large bed is super cozy and drapes on every window will give you privacy. The large awning makes it easy to set up camp and have everything under cover. We would love to hear from you.

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