



NEXT MEMBERS MEETING: NOV. 16, 2022 6:30PM



## President's Message

Like many, I am welcoming the more normal rain and cold we've been getting recently after one of the longest spells of summer I can remember in my lifetime here in the Northwest. It was a little concerning to watch trees and rhodies I've never had to water before begin to wither. On a side-note, in true KP fashion, the ground was so hard I couldn't get a septic inspection done at my place, so I've been welcoming the softer earth as I dig this out myself before Express Septic returns.

By the time this newsletter goes out, we will have held another successful Trunk or Treat, where we had quite a few people sign up to volunteer. And for the first time in many years, we'll have had an LIC Halloween Party. These community events are an essential part of what this organization is all about.

Speaking of community, Tim Kezele reached out to say the KP Civic Center had the most successful Flavors of Fall Auction in their history with many LIC members attending. With all of the uncertainty – both with the pandemic, the economy and constant pre-election bombardment – giving back and getting involved locally seems to be ramping up, and it's so nice to see it flourish here on the KP.

As a reminder, volunteering is the lifeblood of the LIC, and I've had several members in the last few weeks email me for more information on how they can. That's all it takes. Simply reach out to an LIC member in the know, and we can get you plugged into something you care about.

So glad to be a part of this community,

Kelly Guenther

Here are some events to look out for this month and in early December:

- ❖ Nov. 8 – Election day
- ❖ Nov. 9 – LIC board meeting at 6:30 pm, members welcome to address board
- ❖ Nov. 16 – membership meeting, potluck w/ sides and mains
- ❖ Nov. 18 – TGIF returns at the LIC, 5:30 – 9:00 pm
- ❖ Nov. ? – Possible weekend football games in the LIC foyer – stay tuned!
- ❖ Dec. 3 – Deck the Halls, 9:00 am
- ❖ Dec. 3 – Christmas Boat Parade, early evening on Filucy Bay

# Hello from the dock!

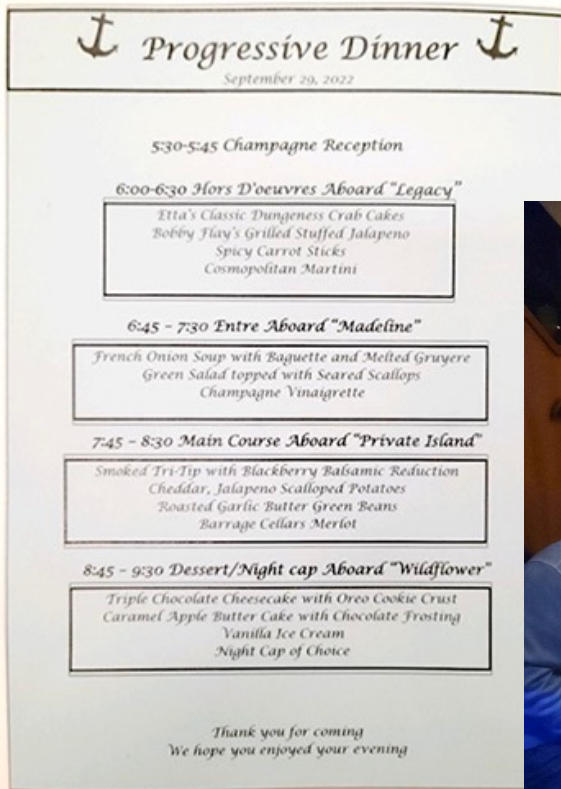


We had our first annual boaters meeting. The theme was Happy Fall Y'all! Thank you to everyone who attended. It was a great turn out, with lots of fun to be had and information shared.

We have Day Island Yacht Club scheduled in November and for the first time ever in the last three years a yacht club scheduled for February which is great!

The Marina advisory committee is meeting monthly; we are working on plans for the dock replacement that is due by 2030 and we are also forming a committee to work on our DNR lease renewal.

Rick Harrison Marina chair  
Katie Harrison Dockmaster



**Bob and Tanya Perry** purchased a dockside progressive boat dinner before the pandemic. Finally, at the end of September, they were able to enjoy. The experience began with a champagne welcome, with each of the courses from appetizers



to dessert on a different boat. Brett and Cheril Allen, Tim and Robyn Enders, Jim and Kelly Hettlinger and Jeff and Kim Robinson created a beautiful, romantic nautical dining experience for the Perrys and their guests aboard each of their boats at the Longbranch Marina. A good time was had by all.

# Events

## Fiber Arts

A great success! 700 people came and enjoyed and there was a well-attended Covid clinic. Thanks to the Greens and Pierce County Health Dept. **See some photos on page 4**

**Trunk or Treat, was on Oct 28th.** The PTA, as of this writing, has 30 trunks! Thank you to those who volunteered for both providing Trunks and helping with this event which is loved by the children of this community. **See some photos on page 5**

**Halloween Dance, was on Oct 29th from 5:30-9 PM** The 302 band will be providing music for this event. A decision was made not to charge an entry fee and a tip jar will be passed to cover band costs because we know how generous this community is. Costumes are optional but we would love to see your creativity and prizes for best costume will be made. Madame Z will be on hand with her truth serum and Tarot Cards and “guess how many are in the jar” are some of the activities. There will be a no-host bar with wine, beer and spirits. Please bring a snack to share. This is for LIC members and their guests. Many thanks to those who volunteered to set this up and to clean on Sun at 10. **See some photos on page 6**

## Deck the Halls, Dec 3rd, 10 AM until done

The Prichards are heading up this event again this year. We have volunteers for this but anyone is welcome to come help. We are also looking for “greens”, boughs, holly and cones, which can be dropped off at the LIC on that Sat.

## Kids and Christmas, Dec 11th, 1-3PM

Marcel Ballinger is heading this event and we will have more information on this event in the next newsletter

## Other

- ◆ We have secured a band for the Memorial Day Dance, The Whirlies, a band from Tacoma with lots of energy and fantastic dancing tunes.
- ◆ A TV has been donated for the foyer/front room for football games and other sports games. Thank you, Don Swenson!! When it is up and running, we will let you all know.
- ◆ Several of us have been discussing an idea to create an Open Mic Café which would be in conjunction with Two Waters Arts Alliance. This would be fashioned after Kimball Coffee House in Gig Harbor and the old LAMA (Longbranch Arts and Music Association). It would be open to all ages to perform readings, and or perform musically in groups or individuals. We are discussing having coffee, beer, and wine. Possible evening at the LIC would be Tues. from 7-9 and Saturday at the Mustard Seed from 2-4. Stand by for more information on this future event.

## PICKLEBALL ANYONE?

We will be playing Pickleball on Tuesdays from 2-5 at the LIC. This may be changing as we go but we will start Nov. 8th with this day and time.

Bring your paddle if you have one (we will have 8 paddles to share for our first weeks. If you are going to buy one make sure it is NOT wood, it should be kind of a honeycomb thing. Also bring water! I would suggest watching a YouTube or 6 before our first outing.

You can show up anytime during those hours. Only 8 people play at one time so we will be rotating in and out.

Please email me if you would like me to add you to the Pickleball email distribution list.

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Save The Date!

Dec. 3rd Holiday Lighted Boat Parade  
and possibly a Chili Cook-off!



# Fiber Arts 2022



**The Fiber Arts** show, on Oct. 1st, was a huge success! Our guest count was fantastic that day and the responses we received were very positive. Our vendors reported outstanding sales, and they were very happy with our venue and the friendliness of our wonderful volunteers. The Health Department provided over 50 vaccines that day and they were very pleased with the responses that they received. Our thanks to everyone who helped during the day as well as with set up and cleanup. We will start planning the next event after the first of the year and will be looking for feedback and assistance with planning, if you are interested, please contact Barbara bfg14012@gmail.com



Bob & Barbara Green  
Co-chairs for Fiber Arts





# Trunk or Treat









# Buildings & Grounds

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Thanks to Jim H., Zoe, Marsha and Ann who helped clean up the grounds after the wedding on the 17th and 18th.

Absolute Fire inspected the hood and the fire extinguishers at the building and marina.

We are cleaning up the grounds again after Trunk or Treat.

Chris Wright volunteered to work on the damaged chairs. Thanks, Chris!

Also thanks to Andy and Cathy Rebsamen for joining the Grounds and Trails Committee. We are looking for more volunteers to help plan work parties for ground and trail work and help with exterior maintenance of the building. Contact Jimmy at 206-498-5942 or [jamsob1954@gmail.com](mailto:jamsob1954@gmail.com) if you're interested.

Jimmy Sobieck and Ann Morris  
Buildings and Grounds



*"And the sun took a step back, the leaves lulled themselves to sleep, and autumn was awakened."*

~Raquel Franco

## From the Sunshine Corner

Hello All,

This month, I sent out one get-well card.

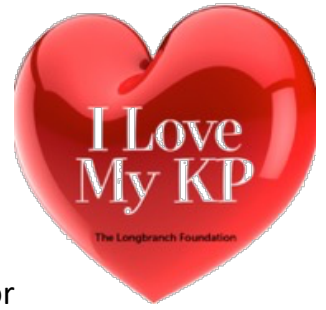
Cheril Allen,

Sunshine Representative



# THE LONGBRANCH FOUNDATION

INVESTING IN THE SOUTH SOUND COMMUNITY



Winter is here! Time for cocoa and fires in the fireplace and winterizing the yard. You should have received a letter from the Foundation with our Annual Request for donations. I mailed out over 300 letters to the current membership list.

**CELEBRATE CAMPAIGN** If you did not receive a donation request letter, please email or call me and I will send one out immediately. In the first week alone, we received over \$3,000 in donations! If every member/couple gave at least \$40 we could easily raise over \$10,000.

**AMAZON SMILE** Another way to give is through AmazonSmile in communications with Amazon. If you are an Amazon Prime member or purchase anything from Amazon you can designate a portion to The Longbranch Foundation. We receive this money quarterly directly into our account and have received \$790.00 so far.

**AUCTION FOR EDUCATION** Call for volunteers! The Foundation depends on the LIC for our volunteer support and this is yet another way to give to the Foundation. Your time is valuable and we count all volunteer hours towards your required hours for your membership status. We will be hosting our bi-annual **AUCTION FOR EDUCATION** in April of the coming year and need folks to help achieve our goals. I am looking for support/volunteers for the planning stages including getting sponsors for the event, procuring donation items for the auction, and decorating and set up for the facility. Please sign up at the next LIC membership meeting or email me directly. Contact me at [Sheryl.a.low@gmail.com](mailto:Sheryl.a.low@gmail.com) (805) 340-7914.

Warmly,

*Sheryl Low*

The Longbranch Foundation President

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# LIC Member Meeting Minutes

## Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

An announcement was made that there would be a presentation by the US Power Squadron. Thank you to Chris Wright for coordinating this presentation.

### Board & Committee Reports

#### Membership

Remarks were given by Kelly Guenther. New members were introduced and welcomed. Congratulations to Laurie Austin on her recent marriage.

#### Presentation

US Power Squadron gave a presentation on their organization, the vessel safety checks they provide, and the courses and seminars they offer members and the general public. Please reach out to Kelly Guenther if you are interested in attending an America's Boater Course provided by the US Power Squadron.

#### Secretary

**Motion:** Approve minutes from September meeting - MSP

#### Treasurer

Jim Hettinger spoke about his previous experience with the US Power Squadron.

Updated Financial Reports were shared including how successful the Labor Day Dance was and how profitable building rentals have been this year. Thank you, Kitty Voyce, for your efforts! An audit committee needs to be established to review the books at least once a year. This committee will report to the President. Please let the board know if you are interested in joining this committee.

#### Events Committee

Trunk or Treat is Oct. 28th. There will be a box for candy donations at the clubhouse on Friday Oct. 21st, there is also a Candy Monster box at Evergreen Elementary during school hours. Parking lot attendants are needed for this event.

The Halloween Dance is Oct. 29th. There will not be a cover charge for this event as previously mentioned. The band will need to be paid so be sure to make a donation. Costumes are not required but are encouraged. There will be games and prizes for costumes. Madame Z will be in attendance with her secret serum and tarot cards. Volunteers will be needed to clean up on October 30th at 10:00am.

Deck The Halls is Dec. 3rd. This event is being spearheaded by the Prichards. Volunteers are needed for this event. If you have fallen (or trimmed) greenery available, they are looking for some to be used as decorations.

Kelly Hettinger is in the process of bringing Pickleball to the LIC. There is a questionnaire available regarding interest for this co-ed event. If there is enough interest, this could be a regularly scheduled event on multiple days per week.

Kelly Guenther let membership know that adding such events falls in line with the Five Year Plan.

#### Building & Grounds

Jim Sobieck thanked all of the volunteers who helped clean up after the most recent rental.

A Grounds and Trails Committee is needed to coordinate volunteers and stay on top of the grounds maintenance. Please let Jim know if you are interested in joining this committee. There is also a sign up sheet available.

There is a work party scheduled for Oct. 29th at 9:00am. The focus will be cleaning up after Trunk or Treat and working on the trails. Volunteers are needed.

There is a stack of chairs at the clubhouse needing repairs. Please let Jim know if you are able to take on this task.

A new vacuum has been ordered for the clubhouse.

## LIC Member Meeting Minutes Cont.

The community garden was, and still is, fruitful. The garden produced lots of green tomatoes and other vegetables.

### **Marina**

At the October MAC meeting a discussion was had regarding the DNR lease requirements.

Rick Harrison reported that the moorage eligibility by-laws have been updated on the LIC website. The eligibility of members on the marina waiting list has been reviewed along with the eligibility of all members currently in the marina. This extensive review led to a dozen letters being sent out to members regarding their eligibility status.

A fire line test was recently held and the marina failed this test. Repairs will need to be performed on some older parts of the line. Volunteers are needed for this work.

There was a question and answer session held regarding moorage eligibility. Steve Nieto spoke about the letter he received regarding his eligibility and the recent zip code changes along with eligibility in general.

**Trustee at Large** - None

**Historian** - None

**Vice President** - None

### **President**

Kelly Guenther spoke about moorage eligibility and the recent by-law changes. Sheryl Low also spoke about eligibility and let membership know that most new members are Associate Members as they live on the Peninsula, but outside of the current eligible zip codes. The idea that membership eligibility rules may need to be revisited was discussed.

There are new laws governing non-profits in place. An attorney is reviewing these laws and how they may affect the LIC board. An update will be given after the attorney review.

Don Swensen has graciously donated a 65" tv to the LIC. This TV will be placed in the foyer with the intention of being able to show NFL and possibly other sporting events in the near future.

Volunteers are needed on Oct. 23rd at 10:00am to help clean up after an upcoming rental.

The following positions need to be filled: Custodian, Rental Agent and Building & Grounds Chair.

If you received a letter regarding your moorage eligibility and have questions regarding the appeals process, please reach out to the President.

If you have questions or an issue you would like to address with the LIC Board directly, you are welcome to attend a board meeting. Please be sure to let someone on the board know in advance that you would like to attend so that you can be added to the agenda.

### **The Longbranch Foundation**

Letters for the Celebrate Campaign have been sent out and a reminder was given that donations are needed.

The Gala Fundraiser has been set to occur on April 22nd, 2023. Item donations are needed for this fundraiser. Volunteers are needed for Procurement and Sponsorship.

### **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

Flavors of Fall Auction – Oct. 22nd at KPCC.

Trunk or Treat walk-thru in the field - Oct. 28th.

LIC Halloween Party w/ the 302 Band - Oct. 29th.

Next membership meeting - Nov. 16th.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by  
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LIC Secretary



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