# MEMBER NEWSLETTER



FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY

June 2024

#### **President's Message**

Happy summer!

Here we are at the most amazing time of the year in Washington. Cool nights, warm days, clear skies, limited rain! As always, please keep this secret and tell no one, it's just for us – keep the fable of continuous rain and gloom alive.



May has been a wonderful month, kicking off with a great Opening Day celebration at the Marina. Great food, camaraderie, and a chance to catch up with friends and planning our summer boating adventures. Kudos to the Marina team and all the volunteers who worked so hard to make it a great event. And we just capped off May with the Memorial Day dance, and it appears it was a huge success with about 168 attendees, great music with the Tim Hall band, amazing bar service and overall great time. Again, our volunteers made it all happen, and we are so lucky to have so much commitment to our community events. And thanks to the attendees for signing in for tickets at the door – this allows us to understand our audience, audit our ticket sales, and stay in contact with you. Your patience is appreciated! For next month, the member meeting is a big one, with the barbeque dinner, and voting for our new board members. Please remember, it's not too late to throw your name in the hat for a board position. Also, you will need to vote on the Bylaw changes that allow us to elect associate members to the Board and other details. This is your club, and you make the rules! My apologies in advance, I will not be able to be there, I have an out-of-town business meeting that cannot be rescheduled. My sincere thanks for everyone's hard work and commitment to the LIC and community!

Sincerely,
Bob Perry
LIC President – president@lic-kpwa.com

# Upcoming Events & Volunteer Opportunities

- Pickleball & ping pong Tuesdays 10 AM – 6PM
- Thirsty Thursdays 4:30PM on the dock.
- June 11th Open Mic 6:30PM at the LIC.
- Membership Meeting June 19th 7PM BBQ potluck at 6:30PM

## Hello from the Dock!

May was a fantastic month at the marina. We had South Island Yacht Club visit mid month with 25 boats, and for the Memorial Day weekend we had Des Moines Yacht Club, and some great friends of the Marina for a total of 33 boats. Des Moines yacht Club for many years have held a Memorial Day ceremony at our Marina. It is an honor and a privilege to attend this event each year. We appreciate Des Moines so much for holding this service.

I would like to thank Dennis and Sally Westphal, Scott VandeZande, and Dennis Totten for filling in for me at the dock while I was visiting our new Grandson born May 7th! They did a great job and we are forever grateful for our volunteer help.

Hope to see you on the dock for Thirsty Thursdays. Start time is 4:30PM.

Rick Harrison Marina Chair marina@lickpwa.com

Katie Harrison

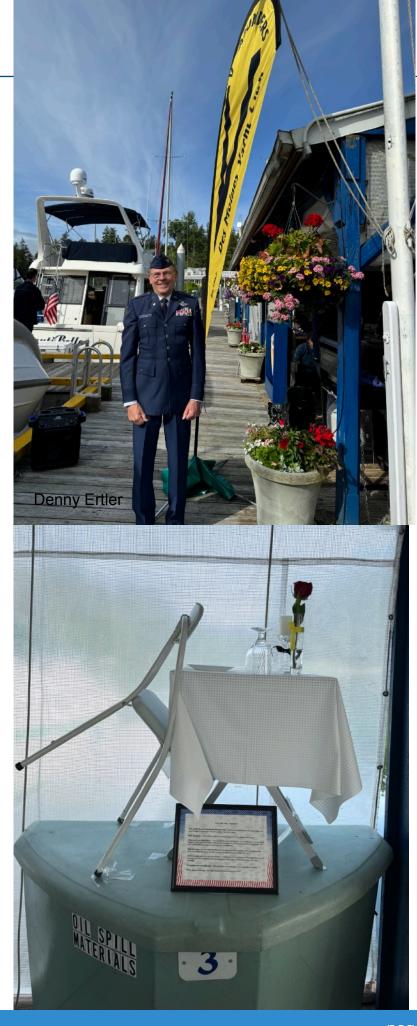
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We are sad to announce that Herb
Marra has passed away.
The boat, boathouse & equipment at
the marina is for sale and is offered first
to members of the LIC, as per bylaws.
If interested please contact Pam Marra
at pammarra@aol.com

Memorial Day Photos by Katie Harrison



## Membership News

The meeting this month (June 19th ) is the Member BBQ and Board Elections.

For the potluck, the Board will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, buns and condiments. With members filling in with the sides, we will have a great BBQ dinner.

Reminders and updates will be in future emails.

If you feel you are not getting any of the informational emails, please call or send me a note and we can find a solution.

Nancy Carr Membership Chair 253-312-1006 membership@lic-kpwa.com

### **Events**

The Memorial Day Dance was last Saturday, May 25th and we had a great turnout. The Tim Hall Band was fantastic. Thanks to everyone who helped put this together and to all who came.

We don't have as many events during the summer, but we still have pickleball every Tuesday. Along with pickleball, there is ping pong in the foyer.

The next Events meeting is Tuesday, June 4th at 6PM. Please join us if you are interested in helping with future events. We have a great committee and can always use more help.

June 11th is Open Mic at 6:30PM and the member meeting is on June 19th .

Hopefully the next newsletter note will be from a newly elected Events Chair!

Thank you.
Nancy Carr
(Still) Temporary Events Chair
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Pickleball fun photos by Mike Rice

# From the Sunshine Corner

Hello All,

Since my last report, I've sent out six cards to members. Two were for members recovering from surgery, three were get well cards, and one was an encouragement card for a member struggling with a major health issue.

Remember, if you are aware of a member that needs a bit of Sunshine, please inform me. If you don't, I may not know.

Thank you.
Cheril Allen
Sunshine Representative
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# Congratulations

to the 2024
Peninsula High School
Scholarship recipients!

The Longbranch Foundation has given \$2,000 each to the following students:

Garynne Glasscock

Yarrow Fritz.

Fabian Torres

Brianna Buzzard

Renewal Recipients receive \$1,500 each:

Olivia Burich

Indigo Clark

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Sheryl Low TLF President sheryl.a.low@gmail.com

# Membership Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 15, 2024
Meeting was called to order at 7PM by LIC
President Bob Perry.

#### TLF:

No report

#### Secretary:

MOTION: Accept the April minutes - MSP.

#### Treasurer:

Jim Hettinger was unable to attend this meeting. Financial reports were circulated on the tables.

#### President:

Bob Perry talked about the upcoming election. The Vice President, Building & Grounds, Events, and Secretary positions will be voted on. Currently, at least two of those positions do not have candidates. Leaving those positions unfilled means the board will not have enough members to have a quorum.

At the meeting, changes to the Bylaws were presented to the membership for review, as required by the Bylaws. For the June meeting, these changes will be presented again for an approval vote. In summary, the changes were to allow for a smaller quorum count in the event that there are vacancies on the Board, allow the election of non-regular members to the Board if qualified regular members are not available, and for non-regular members who are elected to the Board, provides those non-regular members with regular member status during their period of Board service, and for one year thereafter.

Bob reviewed the definition of regular and associate membership. He also reminded members that all board members are subject to a background check.

#### **Building & Grounds:**

Chris Wright talked about the need for on-going maintenance of the LIC grounds. A request for volunteers and a list of tasks was sent out to over 200 members. There were about 6 replies.

Thank you to the members that did reply. He also announced that outside contractors will be brought in to help with some of the maintenance as there is more work than volunteers.

Chris addressed a question about the stoves not being able to keep up with demand for cooked potatoes during Suds and Spuds. The question posed was "why didn't the LIC purchase commercial stoves?" Chris cited cost and Bob Perry cited the fact that the LIC does not have a commercial kitchen designation as the reasons. The incident was unfortunate and the board will work with the events committee to develop an alternate plan at the next big event.

Chris gave a roof update. An alternate affordable structural plan has been developed. A roof committee was established to review roof plans. It is made up of 3 board members and two people with technical backgrounds from the membership. The committee has a contractor they have been working with to develop an estimate. Currently, an architect is needed to develop the plans for permit.

#### Marina:

Rick Harrison gave a review of membership classification.

Rick talked about the success of Opening Day and reported that there is new clothing gear for sale

Rick reminded members that state tags due in June.

Rick announced there is a combo code on the dumpster. He also gave a status on the entry gate code and talked about the marina switching to summer hours.

#### Membership:

Nancy Carr reminded members that Regular member dues must be paid at the May

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membership meeting in order to vote next month. Per the Bylaws, member dues must be paid 30 days prior to a member's eligibility to vote.

If you are not getting LIC emails, please let Nancy know. It may be that you "unsubscribed" from a certain email which unsubscribed you from all emails. It is easy to fix, but Nancy cannot do it.

An unsubscribed member must log in to Track It Forward (TIF) through the website, it cannot be fixed within the app.

Nancy let members know that the June meeting is the annual member BBQ and when elections will be held. An email will be sent out prior to the meeting with more info

#### **Events:**

Nancy Carr reminded members that the Events Chair position is open for elections next month. With the use of Track It Forward to help keep track of events and notifications of events, this position is more of a "Project Manager" position instead of being responsible for every part of every event. There is a very strong Events Committee made up of about a dozen members that helps a lot. Everyone on the committee comes forward to help. Nancy talked about the upcoming events: TGIF this Friday, May 17th, and is the last one for the summer. The next TGIF will be in September.

The Memorial Dance is coming up and there are a few volunteering opportunities left. Please check TIF and a reminder email will be forthcoming. So far TicketSpice is showing low attendance. Rick Harrison will help the yacht clubs with their ticket purchases when they come in.

Planning has started for Fiber Arts. The date is changed for the Farm Tour and Fiber Arts this year. It is the last Saturday in September, the 28th. Registration for a booth is open and if you are interested, send your request to: fiberarts.lic@gmail.com. Barb and Bob Green are heading this event and will respond to your email.

The next Events Committee meeting is June 4th at 6PM in the Foyer.

Along with pickleball on Tuesdays, there is ping pong in the foyer.

#### **Upcoming Meetings and Events:**

- a) Ping pong & Pickleball every Tuesday 10AM 6PM
- b) TGIF May 17th Last one for the summer
- c) Memorial Day Dance May 25th
- d) Thirsty Thursday begins May 30th
- e) LIC Board Meeting June 12th
- f) LIC Membership Meeting June 19th annual BBQ and elections

Meeting adjourned at 7:49pm

Respectfully submitted by Xoe Frederick LIC Secretary

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You will receive your test results by email or mail.

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Visit tpchd.org/drinkingwater and click the Water Quality Map button.



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