MEMBER NEWSLETTER



FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY

MARCH 2023

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING: MAR 15, 2023 6:30PM

President's Message



We've had an interesting winter – and some of the latest winter snowfall I've seen in a few years around Longbranch and the Puget Sound. Hope everyone has stayed safe and warm.

I'll keep this month's message on the short side. As many of you know, my father passed away at the end of January – and my stepmom a few months before that. So I'm dealing with all the demands of settling both of their estates and it's made life... sad and intensely busy.

We had our first Open Microphone at the LIC on Valentine's Day, which I heard great things about. Don Swenson and company were able to play music at our TGIF on the 17th which also had a great turnout, and

Pickleball on Tuesdays is going strong. There is even talk about possibly offering this for the community on more than just Tuesdays.

We now have an Amazon Firestick for the TV in the foyer, and will be brainstorming with membership and events on what viewing events we can offer for members in March. We'll let you know by a membership email blast soon.

Here's to hoping that March begins to warm up a bit. And thanks for all you do.

Warmly, Kelly Guenther

Here is what's taking place in March:

- ◆ Every Tuesday Pickleball at the LIC from 10AM – 6PM.
- ◆ March 15th LIC membership meeting: please bring desserts and sides.
- ◆ March 17th A very St. Patrick's Day TGIF from 5:30 to 8:30PM.



Hello from the dock!

Totem Yacht Club and Viking Yacht Club have their rendezvous at the marina this month and we always look forward to their visit!

End of March and April we will be hard at work sprucing up the marina.

Opening Day gear is on sale now! Orders are due no later than MARCH 24TH. Items available this year include embroidered mens and women's fleece vests and high quality hats. These two items will be embroidered with only our mascot heron image and say Longbranch Marina.

We will also have t-shirts - long sleeve and short sleeve, 1/4 zip sweatshirts and hoodies. These items will have the Opening

Day logo on them. Color choices are navy, grey and black. However the hats have more color options, Katie can try to accommodate special order colors. Please call or text 253-202-2056 (Katie's cell) to order.

Opening Day will be a lunch theme this year with a later start date. Magnet fishing from the dock with prizes for most unique, most expensive, and more. This should be fun!

Sailboat regatta and hopefully a short dessert cruise. We are still in the planning phase.

Rick Harrison-Marina Chair Katie Harrison-Dockmaster





Events







Open Mic Night was a great success with close to 50 people attending. Guests were treated to new music from local musicians, a poetry reading and just a good time with sharing from our community.

Thank you, Cathy Williams, and to all those who helped putting this event together. We are co-hosting this with the Mustard Seed, when things there are up and running, but until then, our next Open Mic will be at the LIC on April 11th from 6-9. This event is an all-ages event so encourage those local talents to come on out and share.

Our band for Memorial Day had to cancel because of health issues and we now have the Tim Hall band with our own Don Swenson. Thank you to all for being able to do this. I for one am really looking forward to this dance.

This committee talked about Spuds and Suds for St. Patricks' Day but due to concerns over the stove, it was decided to cancel that. As it happens, St Patricks' day falls on the next TGIF and John Stray will be there to demonstrate Ballroom dancing and any who would like to learn can join in.

This committee also had thoughts about scheduling another car show for the Spring. That has not been scheduled yet but we will let you know if and when that takes place.





The Longbranch Foundation

Moving Forward

AUCTION FOR EDUCATION 2023

April 22, 2023 4-8 pm

Buy tickets, \$85 per person, at https://longbranchfoundation.maxgiving.bid/

To benefit the education of our KP Youth.

Auction items will be available for preview online in mid-March.















Email: thelongbranchfoundation@gmail.com

From the Sunshine Corner

Hello All,

This month, I sent out a sympathy card to a member that lost his father, and a get-well card to a member that had surgery.

Cheril Allen, Sunshine Representative





PICKLEBALL

AT THE LIC





Come play with us every **Tuesdays from 10-6**. Dress warm. Temperature will be about 60 degrees in the gym. We have paddles to share until you fall in love with this and purchase your own.

Any Questions call, text or email Kelly Hettinger 253-220-7808 kelhettinger@gmail.com



Calling All Photos!

Have you captured a beautiful scene or fun moment in our community? Please consider sending a copy to licmembernews@gmail.com so it can be included in the monthly newsletter.

Thanks!

LIC Member Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, Feb. 15th, 2023 Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

Board & Committee Reports

Secretary

Motion: Approve minutes from January membership meeting - MSP

Treasurer

Updated financials were presented. A short summary of the differences between accrual and cash basis was given. The new accrual based P&L does not reflect cash brought in.

Marina

A reminder that Feb. 15th is the last day to pay for a full year of moorage and receive a discount for doing so.

Water was back on at the marina, however it was just turned back off with extreme low temperatures. A reminder was given to attend three meetings and perform fifteen hours of volunteer time "minimum" to maintain "qualified" status.

Trustee

The county council voted to award the LIC \$35,000.00 under the Preservation Grant program. The vote on the council was unanimous. The LIC will use these monies to complete the planning and permit process. Before final plans are submitted for permit the board and various committee members will have a chance to review and approve.

The Longbranch Foundation

Progress is being made on the preparations for the Auction for Education on Apr. 22nd, 2023. We are still looking for sponsors and some items for auction. You can contact Sheryl Low at sheryl.a.low@gmail.com or call at (805) 340-7914 to donate. Tickets are \$85.00 per person and you will be able to purchase on the Auction Website at https://longbranchfoundation.maxgiving.bid. There is only room for 130 people so get your tickets early. You must be at the auction to bid in person on items.

There is also a quilt for raffle and tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased on the website as well. Items will be uploaded by mid-March for viewing on the website.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Next membership meeting - March 15th

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by Xoe Frederick LIC Secretary



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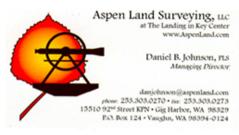
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