MEMBER NEWSLETTER



FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY

JAN 2023

NEXT MEMBERS MEETING: JAN. 18, 2023 6:30PM

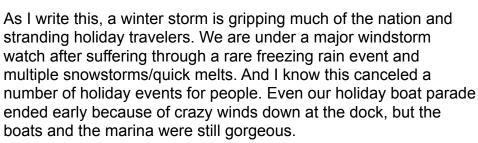


President's Message

Wow – what a December! This was one Christmas I was glad to not be traveling and keeping my eye on freezing pipes and things around the house.

The LIC also really shined with Christmas decorations, we had

a great turnout for our December meeting and party. And this all happened only because of our great LIC volunteers – many of whom earned Star Awards this year.





Having said all this, I hope you and yours had a terrific holiday and weren't too affected by the winter storms – and

you had a joyous New Year's celebration.



During December, the LIC board appointed Bob Perry as Vice President. In this position, he will be filling-in for Building and Grounds duties until we can find a replacement for Jim Sobieck, who stepped away from his position at the end of December. A huge thank you to Jim for serving on the LIC board and all of the work he's done. His work kept the clubhouse and grounds shipshape for the last couple of years. Another huge thanks to Bob for stepping into the VP position that has been unfilled for five months.

President's Message - Cont.

Here is what's taking place in January:

- ◆ Every Tuesday Pickleball at the LIC from 10AM 6PM
- → Jan. 18th LIC membership meeting desserts this month.
- ◆ Jan. 20th TGIF from 5:30 to 8:30PM
- ◆ Jan. 21st 2-4PM, Contra Dance event at the LIC.

And we may update those events being offered. We are in the midst of buying an Amazon Firestick for the TV in the foyer so LIC members can enjoy games together on the weekends. More on that soon.

Happy New Year, everyone! I see great things for the LIC in 2023.

Warmly, Kelly Guenther

"De-Deck the Halls"

Sat., Jan. 7, 2023, 10AM

Thanks to all who helped make our clubhouse so beautiful for the holidays!! Now it's time to put away all those lights and greenery to make way for the events of 2023. A couple hours should do it. Hope to see you there!



Events

A very happy holiday to one and all. We had wonderful volunteers for Decking our Hall with boughs, a beautiful tree and chair set for Santa's arrival for Kids and Christmas which was a phenomenal turnout with more than 100 children and their families. Families in zip codes closest to the LIC received gift card from the Market in Key Center. A big thank you to the Prichard's and their decorating team and to the Ballenger's for Kids and Christmas.

Looking forward to the New Year and in conjunction with Two Waters, we will have two co-events. Contra Dancing on Jan. 21st from 2-4PM. This is an all-family event with the same group who offered this during the Centennial Celebration. Then on February 14th from 6-9 will we have the first Open Mic Café for art, music and poetry. This event is open to the public with all ages welcome.



February 14, 2023
6:00-9:00 pm
Longbranch Improvement Club Foyer
Open to the public
Coffee, beer, wine & snacks

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



OR

Come play board games and cards With other game heads!



Come play board games/cards at the Long-branch Improvement Club **Every Tuesday from 10 to 6.** The LIC will be open for Pickleball in the large room and games in the heated small room. Bring games, friends, meet new friends, snacks and have FUN!

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Hello from the dock!

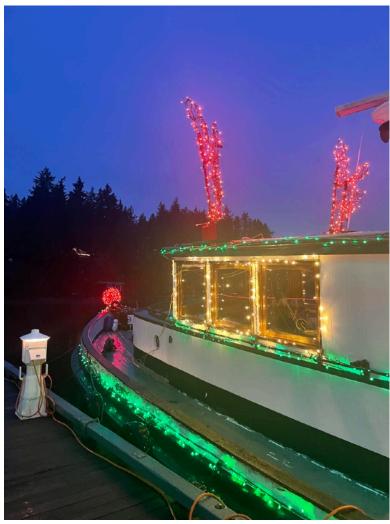
We already have yacht clubs scheduled as early as February in 2023, and look forward to a busy cruising season this year.

We will be working on beautifying the pavilion and other house keeping items.

Opening Day will be here before we know it and this year will have a new twist.

Rick Harrison-Marina Chair Katie Harrison-Dockmaster





Rental & Marketing Report

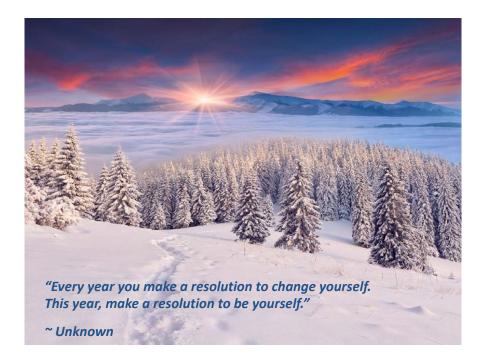
There were no private Clubhouse rentals in December. However, David Ziegler was kind enough to take photos of the ballroom that was so beautifully decorated for the holidays by LIC volunteers, and those shots will be used to update Clubhouse marketing. Research is in progress for the most affordable and effective advertising options to bring in more wedding and event rentals.

The LIC all dressed up for a wedding!



Photo by: Krysta and Nick Wedding Photography

From the Sunshine Corner



Hello All,

This month, I sent out two get-well cards to members that had surgeries. Both of these I heard about long after these members had those surgeries and needed some Sunshine. So, I'm giving everyone another reminder to please inform me if you know of anyone who needs a little pick me up. Perhaps I do not know about it. Thank you so much!

Cheril Allen, Sunshine Representative



Photo by Jo Schadt

THE LONGBRANCH FOUNDATION

INVESTING IN THE SOUTH SOUND COMMUNITY





SAVE THE DATE Our Hawaiian themed Auction is scheduled for April 22, 2023.

We need DONATION ITEMS! Please call or email with your suggested items. We would like a mix of experiences and items. We are also 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 cell (805) 340-7914.

Warmly, Sheryl Low The Longbranch Foundation President

The Longbranch Foundation P. O. Box 111 Lakebay, WA 98349





A reminder, please continue to save your Food Market receipts for when we meet again.

LIC Member Meeting Minutes Wednesday, December 14, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 7:15PM

Thank you South Sound Strummers for providing holiday music for our end of year party.

Welcome new members and guests!

Star Awards were presented to:
Barb Reichers - cookbook sales
Mike Fay - building & grounds work
Barb Green - extensive volunteer work
Bob Green - extensive volunteer work
Tom Tallman - help fixing the fire main
David Shinners - Centennial garden
David Ziegler - Centennial celebrations
Laurie Ziegler - cookbook sales
Larry Silva - work on fire line
Gary Brownlee - work on fire line
Mike Baker - work on fire line

Special thanks were also given to the following members for their dedication to the LIC:

Tanya Perry - newsletter
Pat Altree - newsletter
Kelly Hettinger - pickleball program

Welcome to the board Bob Perry! Bob was voted in as Vice President by the LIC board of trustees.

Thank you Jim Sobieck for all of your hard work and dedication as Building & Grounds chair. Your presence on the board will be missed.

Bob Perry has also agreed to help out with building & grounds projects until a new Building & Chair has been found. If you are interested in becoming the Building & Grounds chair please reach out to a board member.

Memberships can be renewed now.

Please remember to sign in at all meetings you attend so that you can get the proper credit for attending.

Thank you Don & Molly Swensen for your continued community support. The LIC is grateful for the donation of the TV that has been installed in the foyer. The LIC also appreciates the donation of the large table that is in the foyer as well.

Board & Committee Reports

Secretary

Motion: Approve minutes from November membership meeting - **MSP**

Treasurer

Financials will be available at the January meeting.

Moorage invoices will go out on January 15th and payment is due no later than February 15th.

The Longbranch Foundation
A huge thank you to all who made end of year donations. The \$10K goal has been surpassed.

The Spring Auction, which is scheduled for April 22, 2023, is moving forward. "Striving Forward with Purpose" is a Hawaiian themed event. This event will be in-person only. Volunteers and auction items are needed for the auction. If you would like to volunteer, or would like to donate an item or experience, please reach out to Sheryl Low at Sheryl.A.Low@gmail.com.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

- 1. TGIF Dec. 16th
- 2. LIC Board meeting Jan. 11th, 2023
- 3. Next membership meeting Jan. 18th, 2023

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35PM after a group photo was taken.

Happy Holidays!

Respectfully submitted by Xoe Frederick LIC Secretary

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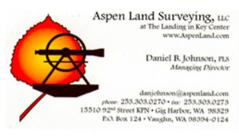
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