



## President's Message

Hi Everyone and hope you're doing well.

April was a great month for the club, and I want to highlight the Super Sale. Kelly Hettinger volunteered to manage this event, and the Board approved the funds that would be raised to be allocated to new clubhouse chairs. With Kelly's leadership and a great cast of volunteers, the event was a big success. Based on our current funds set aside, and the big win from this event, soon we should have new chairs, and I doubt anyone will miss the old ones. If you have any ideas for a future home for our serviceable yet faded existing chairs, let us know. This event really highlights that our members make a difference, and I could not be more appreciative for all the hard work. Every day our volunteers, from the board to the individual contributors, make the difference!



In May, we have a lot going on, and your participation will be very important. Our opening day at the Marina is one of the big events of the month, on Saturday the 4th, and it's a great event – not to be missed by our membership! On May 26th, we have the Memorial Day dance, and we expect it to be huge event with great music and dancing. We will send you the QR code and web site address to buy your tickets – look for it in your email!

Also in May, the nominations committee will try to finalize the candidate slate for the open board position elections held in June. It's not too late to throw your name in the hat if you would like to serve, it's a great way to make a difference on a sustained basis, and your individual contributions and guidance really make a difference! Thanks for everything you do!

Sincerely,  
 Bob Perry  
 LIC President – [president@lic-kpwa.com](mailto:president@lic-kpwa.com)

## Upcoming Events & Volunteer Opportunities

- ❖ Pickleball & Board Games – every Tuesday 10 AM – 6PM
- ❖ Opening Day! – May 4th
- ❖ LIC Board Meeting – May 8th
- ❖ Livable Fair May 11th 10AM – 3PM at the Civic Center in Vaughn
- ❖ LIC Membership Meeting – May 15th Appetizers & Desserts
- ❖ TGIF – May 17th BYOB & Snacks
- ❖ Memorial Day Dance May 25th 8 – 11PM
- ❖ Thirsty Thursday Begins! – May 30th BYOB & Snacks 4:30PM at the Marina.

## Hello from the Dock!

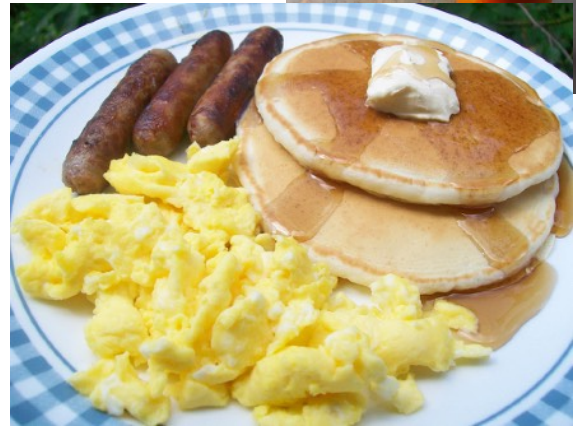
*Opening Day is Saturday, May 4th from 9AM to 11:30AM.*

Please come down and enjoy the morning at the marina with a wonderful pancake breakfast with sausage and eggs.

Warm up with some coffee; boozy or boring. We will also have mimosas and the famous Enders' made Bloody Marys! Hang out with your fellow members and invited guests for good times, food, and magnet fishing. All donations go to marina improvements.

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## The Longbranch Foundation

**The Longbranch Foundation (TLF)** is often confused for **The Longbranch Improvement Club (LIC)**, but in fact we are actually two different organizations with two different purposes. The **LIC** is a social welfare non-profit, a 501c(4), and as such any financial donations are not tax-deductible for the giver. **The Longbranch Foundation** was created in 2016 to further the work **The Longbranch Improvement Club** started in 1921 and is a 501(c)3, a charitable non-profit, and by law, the organizations are two different entities. Our new branding program is meant to help the community understand the differences between the two organizations, our missions and purposes. We continue to support the same charitable purposes. Look for changes to our website for a new look and easier access to make online donations and to apply for grants.

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TLF President  
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**We have a new look!**

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*Investing in the South Key Community*

Our new logo represents our ongoing commitment to:

- The growth and development of our community
- The maintenance and preservation of the LIC building and grounds
- Support of the Longbranch Marina
- Grants and scholarships to support education of local youth

Changes to the website coming soon!  
[www.longbranchfoundation.org](http://www.longbranchfoundation.org)  
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# Memorial Day Dance

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## Membership News

Welcome new members:

Bruce Phelps

Michael and Tatyana Nielson

We are happy to meet you.

If you are not getting member messages you think you should, please let me know. We want to make sure every member knows what is happening.

Elections take place during the June Member BBQ meeting. If you are interested in joining the Board, please see the nomination committee – or self-nominate at the next meeting!

If you have any questions about Track It Forward or LIC membership, I can help.

Nancy Carr  
Membership Chair  
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## Events

The next Events meeting is Tuesday, May 7th at 6PM, please join us and you can learn more about our upcoming events.

The big event in May is the Memorial Day Dance, Saturday, May 25th from 8PM – 11PM. You can sign up to help in Track It Forward, and it is very easy to buy tickets through TicketSpice. The LIC website has the link (click on the flyer) or scan the QR code. It is an easy process. Much more info will be available at the Events meeting and the Member meeting on May 15th.

The Livable Community Fair is Saturday, May 11th from 10AM – 3PM. This is a community event with most of our local organizations participating. The LIC and TLF will be sharing a table and this is a great way to meet new folks, make new friends and learn more about our neighbors, and share information about what we do too.

Thanks to all who have been helping with our events, and thanks in advance to those of you volunteering in the future!! We cannot have events or get together without you.

Thank you.  
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## From the Sunshine Corner

Hello All,

This month, I sent out two get-well cards to members. 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.

Thank you.  
Cheril Allen  
Sunshine Representative  
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# Membership Meeting Minutes

## LIC Member Meeting Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by Acting Vice President Chris Wright.

### TLF

No report

### Secretary

**MOTION:** Accept the March minutes - **MSP**.

### Treasurer

Jim Hettinger provided an updated financial report. Suds & Spuds was very successful. Property taxes have been paid. The Super Sale grossed \$8K and the net was \$7,800 - the most successful yet.

### Nominating Committee

Tom Nosenzo talked about the openings and upcoming openings on the Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee needs another person. Tom also asked members to consider joining the board and urged everyone to talk to others who may be interested in joining the board or forward their names to the committee. Joining the board is a two year commitment beginning July 1st.

### Building & Grounds

Chris Wright talked about recent ivy removal work that was done. He also talked about the need for regular volunteers for weeding, planting, etc.

### Marina

Rick Harrison let everyone know that marina gear is available if you ordered it. Gear will also be available on Opening Day. Rick is looking for volunteers for Opening Day.

Rick talked about the Longbranch Marina/LIC Clubhouse being an evacuation site for Anderson Island. Katie Harrison attended a meeting to find out more information on how this works.

The marina is currently full.

Rick reminded everyone that our organization

only runs because of volunteers. He urged everyone to consider volunteering for the board.

### Membership

Chris Wright announced a new member - Bruce Phelps.

### Events

Kelly Hettinger talked about the success of the Super Sale and the plan to purchase new chairs for the clubhouse.

Kelly announced that Trivia will be random for now. The next one will be in June. The first trivia night was very well attended.

Kelly introduced a few other new members.

Chris Wright also thanked all of the volunteers who helped out at the Super Sale, especially those that helped with the clean-up.

There was a road clean-up on April 13th. Chris Wright thanked those who joined.

On April 29th there will be an open house at the Civic Center where the Pierce County Department of Natural Resources will talk about the plans for the Lakebay Marina.

The Livable Fair is May 11th. Volunteers are needed to staff the TLF booth.

The Memorial Day Dance is May 25th. Barb Green talked about the types of volunteers needed. People are needed to take tickets at the door, sell tickets and drink tickets, tend bar, and shuttle people back and forth from the marina. People are also needed for set up and tear down.

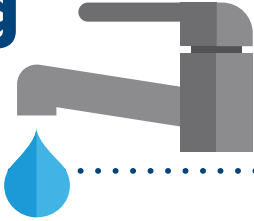
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- i) Thirsty Thursday Begins! – May 30th

Meeting adjourned at 7:25PM

Respectfully submitted by  
Xoe Frederick  
LIC Secretary

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Visit [tpchd.org/drinkingwater](http://tpchd.org/drinkingwater) and click the **Water Quality Map** button.



## Calling all Photos!

Did you capture a beautiful, fun or interesting photo in our community? I would love to share it here. Simply submit to [licmembernews@gmail.com](mailto:licmembernews@gmail.com)

Thanks, Pat

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