## MEMBER NEWSLETTER



FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY

September 2024

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

Fall is coming! And it feels like it will be early this year, considering the recent rain and temperatures. The LIC has been busy, and we continue to move forward in our efforts and hard work as a community.



As many of you are aware we have a project to replace the roof of the LIC, which is over 50 years old. Of course originally the roof was cedar shakes, and then in the 60's the shakes were covered with corrugated galvanized steel (originally silver-gray, now rusted red-brown). The Board is considering a number of plans, and soon we will have a detailed plan to share. We will have a new metal roof and as part of that, we will have to select the color, which will be coordinated with Pierce County historical authorities. They will have an opinion, and we should as well. In the coming months, we will have color samples for you to review, and your voice will be important. Should it be the silver-gray it was originally, or reddish-brown reflecting it's current color, or some other color? The building and its appearance to the community is iconic and instantly recognizable, so we have to be thoughtful and sensitive. And with the longer lifespan of new materials, this is a decision that will probably last 75 years. I'm looking forward to the discussions and your thoughts.

In closing, thanks for your hard work and support of the LIC and our community, and please check out our website for coming events – there are a lot of events coming up, and I hope to see you there!

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

# Upcoming Events & Volunteer Opportunities

- Pickleball & Ping pong Tuesdays 9 AM - 5PM
- ◆ Fiber Arts Show Sept. 28th 10AM - 4PM
- Events Committee meeting Sept. 4th 4PM
- Membership Meeting Sept. 18th 7PM Desserts & Appetizers
- ◆ Open Mic Oct. 8th 6:30 PM
- ◆ TGIF Oct. 18th 5:30 - 8:30PM BYOB
- Trunk or TreatOct. 25th 5 8PM





## Hello from the Dock!

Wefair held their annual cruise to Longbranch in August. Great group of people who support the marina every year. They loved our new marina swag and bought a ton of it!

The new batch of Barn Swallows have officially left their nests at the marina. They haven't gone far and still see the pavilion as home. They are quite the attraction for guest boaters. Pictured are the babies crying and then momma swallow coming to check on them.

Rick Harrison Marina Chair marina@lickpwa.com

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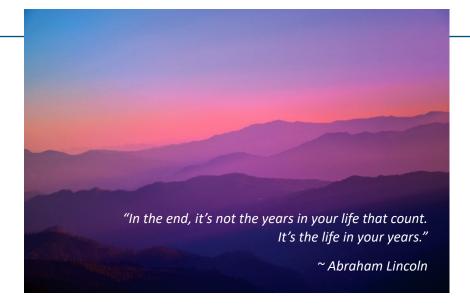


Photos by Katie Harrison

## From the Sunshine Corner

This month, I sent out four cards to members. Three were get-well cards, and one was a congratulations card for members that moved into their forever home in Longbranch. 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
brettandcheril@gmail.com



### **Events**

Your Events Committee has been hard at work getting ready for a Fall season full of events.

A big thanks to all of you who have signed up to help with the Labor Day Dance. You were listening! Your support is much appreciated, we are looking forward to another successful event.

The Track It Forward program makes it easier for us to organize, set up and execute these events. If you need help setting up Track It Forward, Nancy Carr will help you. Reach out to her as we need you to record your hours and help us know who will be helping with events.

In September we also have the Fiber Arts show as part of the KP Farm Tour. This year our featured artist is our very own Sheryl Low. Sheryl will be displaying her fabulous quilts as well as taking appointments for quilt appraisals. The Fiber Arts Show will also have a Vaccine Clinic, a food truck, Puget Sound Pizza, antique cars and many vendors selling and displaying their artwork. Volunteer slots will be on Track It Forward the first week in September and we look forward to your participation.

Your Event Committee always appreciates your ideas and participation. Our next meeting will be Wednesday Sept. 4th at 4:00 PM at the Clubhouse. We hope you will consider joining us as we need your involvement with planning and new ideas.

If you have any questions, please reach out to us!

Thanks Again, Bob & Barbara Green Events Chairs events@lic-kpwa.com

## Adopt-a-Road

Summer, which hasn't even really started yet, will soon be gone. Our LIC Adopt-A-Road part of the KPS Hwy. is looking really bad, and I'd like to have the quarterly AAR litter pickup in Sept. Am waiting to hear official word back from the Hwy. Dept. with their approval but we're looking at September 21.

Like last time, it's a 9AM-12Noon, before lunch time commitment and we will supply drinking waters.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you.

David Zeigler (253)432-0053

## YOGA CLASSES

with Shabadrang

VINYASA 5:15-6:15 PM

B R E A T H W O R K & M E D I T A T I O N 6:30-7:30 P M



Free on Thursdays at the Longbranch Improvement Club

## Membership News

It is shout-out time. It is wonderful to see everyone at the monthly meetings, hear the laughter, and see folks enjoying one another! I cannot thank everyone individually, but there are a couple of highlights:

Pat Altree for the fantastic monthly newsletter,

Lisa Wolcott for all her work in the Centennial Garden and taking LOTS of vegetables to the food bank, Barb Riechers for her graphic design talent creating event flyers and KP News ads, Cheril Allen, our Sunshine Lady, who has been quite busy this year, unfortunately, Chuck and Paula Dougherty for always being available to help and handling the event banner for Pen Light to hang in Key Center,

Arlan Colwell for making sure ice is always available when and where needed, All our members for helping when we need you at the last minute, And all the Board members, past and

present, for stepping up to help with everything!

We have three new members that joined at the last meeting and they are: Christin Khalsa (offers yoga classes at the LIC) Dolores "D" Starr Cindy French Thanks for joining our 'LIC Family'!

Thanks, everyone, and please let me know if you have any Track It Forward questions!

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

## Membership Meeting Minutes

Membership Meeting Aug. 21st, 2024

**Treasurer**: There was no report this month because Jim Hettinger is traveling.

**Events**: Bob and Barb Green outlined the events that are scheduled on the LIC calendar in chronological order, and asked for volunteers for each event.

**Membership**: We were pleased to introduce three new members: Cindy French, Dolores 'D' Starr, and Christin Khalsa. Nancy Carr also explained Track it Forward, and that volunteers for events can sign up for events via Track it Forward. Nancy/Bob Perry emphasized the need to report volunteer hours to support documentation of member volunteer participation for grant purposes.

**Building and Grounds:** Roy Miller briefly outlined the status of the roof project.

**Marina**: There was no report from the marina this month.

**President**: Bob Perry also commented on the roof, explaining that soon the Board will have a definitive proposal to explain to the membership, but one of the key issues would be new metal roof color. Bob asked the members present if they remember when the roof of the building was not brown, and three members raised their hands, confirming it was originally a galvanized silver-gray, and that it rusted to it's existing color. Bob noted that we, as the membership will need to take a position from a historical perspective – do we want the original silver-gray that existed initially or get roofing that is the current reddish brown color to match the roof color of the last 35 or so years. This topic will be raised at future meetings.

Thank you,

Ashley Perry LIC Secretary secretary@lic-kpwa.com



## **Building the South Key Community**

The Longbranch Foundation has given support to:

The Longbranch Improvement Club • Children's Home
Society• Community in Schools • The Mustard Seed
Project • Bischoff Food Bank • Key Free Clinic
KP Firefighters • KP Community Services • Angel Guild
KP Civic Center • Food Backpacks for Kids

If your community organization has a need, visit **www.mytlf.org** to apply for a grant

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