



President's Message



Upcoming Events

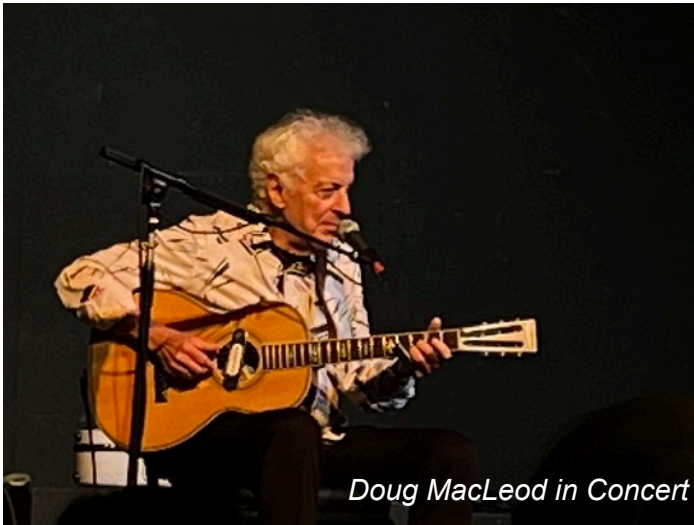
- * Next membership meeting - Nov. 15th, 2023. Appetizers & Desserts.
- * Pickleball Every Tuesday 10AM to 6PM.
- * TGIF- Nov. 17th, 5:30-8:30PM
- * Lighted Boat Parade & Chili Cook-off Dec. 2nd, at the marina.
- * Deck the Halls, Dec. 2nd

Happy November Everyone!

As we move into November, everyone's calendars are starting to get jammed, as we all plan and prepare for the different events and celebrations that make this time special. And for all of us, it's a great time to give thanks and think about all the hard work and effort that so many of the LIC give selflessly. For me, I want to thank the wonderful volunteers who first made Fiber Arts such a success this year. Most of the time, it was packed with people, visiting all the different vendors and tents. And the feedback from the vendors was amazing, with so many committing for next year. It's a testament to those who really worked for about a year to make this event a success – Barb & Bob Green, Nancy Carr, Carolyn Wiley, and Stephanie Baker to name a few. And of course, we just finished Trunk or Treat, which also was an amazing success, with over 350 children and a lot of trunks, along with the return of the haunted house and games in the LIC ballroom. Trunk or Treat, a great partnership with the Evergreen PTA is an example of the community coming together, and making life better for everyone. LIC volunteers ensured parking and lighting was well executed, keeping everyone safe, and the Evergreen PTA hit it out of the park with the Haunted house and Games, as well as overall management of the event. Chris Wright, Kelly Guenther and others from the LIC, plus Shelby Ecklund-Johnston and her team from Evergreen were wonderful and made it all happen. We are truly blessed! So please have a wonderful November, and as we all come together we can be truly thankful for each other!

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

Events



Doug MacLeod in Concert

The Doug MacLeod concert on Oct. 4th was a great success. We'll look into having more events like this.



The Fiber Arts Show on Oct. 7th saw over 1000 people come through.



Event Photos by Kelly Guenther & Pat Altree-Myers

History Speaks

The Gig Harbor / Longbranch highway had a gas / repair station in each community, Longbranch had this full service business. Located across from the LIC property it is now the storage building. In its heyday, trucks from the sand & gravel pit by Taylor Bay stopped here. As did vehicles coming and going from the Taylor Bay ferry that went to Johnson's point in Thurston County. Hac Curl was the proprietor.

Timothy Kezele
LIC Historian – timkezele@gmail.com



Rentals & Marketing

Three new reservations were booked in October, and inquiries for Summer 2024 weddings are picking up. Private rentals slow down in these colder months, and we only have three more reservations on the calendar through the end of this year.

Now is a great time to start planning for your personal 2024 events - and remember that Qualified LIC Members receive a 25% discount from clubhouse rental fees! Reach out soon to ask about reserving your preferred dates for next year.

Stefanie Warren
Building Rentals – clubhouse.rental@lic-kpwa.com

Hello from the dock!

**Longbranch
Improvement Club
Chili potluck and
Lighted Boat Parade**



SATURDAY DEC. 2nd at 3:00

Come down to the Marina at 3pm and bring a chili and or fixin's to go with chili or an appy. Then we will send the parade out into the night

*Best way to
sample all the
chili's is to use
a muffin tin!*

on Filucy Bay at 5PM.

All you boaters get your boats decorated and join the fun! Once around the bay to show off our pretty lights.



This is a very informal potluck. Please bring your own beverage and muffin tin, we will supply utensils, napkins, paper plates, bowls and that sort of thing.

Rick Harrison
Marina Chair – marina@lic-kpwa.com

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Membership News

Oh my gosh – it is November already!
Where does the time go.

If you were at the October member meeting, you saw that the Volunteer of the Quarter for the last quarter of 2023 is Mike Fay. Thank you, Mike, for all you do.

If you are still looking for ways to get in more volunteer hours for 2023, in December we have Deck the Hall, Kids and Christmas and the member Christmas Meeting. There are still quite a few ways to volunteer. We only have one more meeting (Nov. 15th) before the December activities take place. Please volunteer. So far this year, we have logged over 2600 volunteer hours!



Mike Fay & Chris Wright

Thank you,
Nancy Carr
Membership Chair – membership@lic-kpwa.com

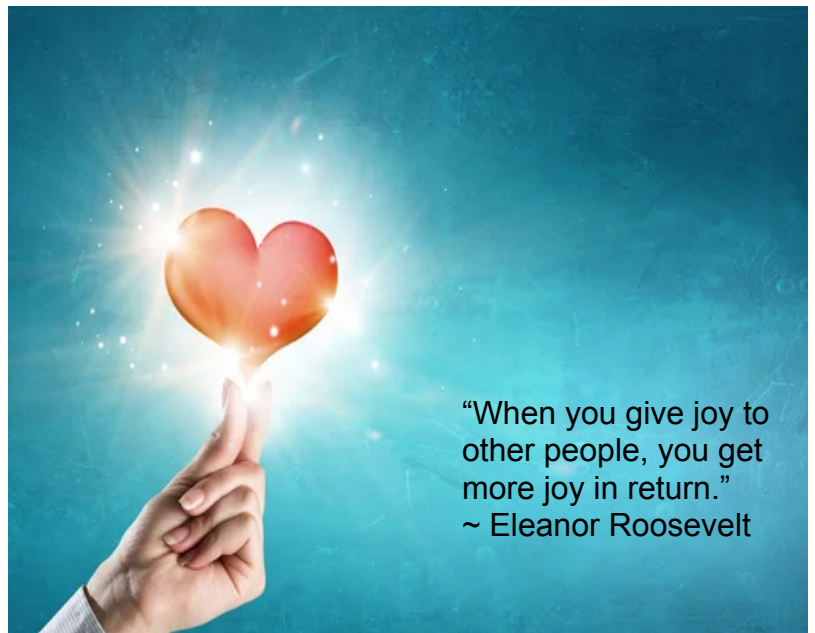
From the Sunshine Corner

Hello All,

This was a very busy month of Sunshine needs for our members. I sent out fourteen cards in all. Six cards to members that had surgeries, two sympathy cards, two pet sympathy cards, two get well cards, and two encouragement cards.

Remember, if you are aware of a member that needs a bit of Sunshine, please let me know. Thank you.

Cheril Allen
Sunshine Representative –
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“When you give joy to other people, you get more joy in return.”
~ Eleanor Roosevelt



The Longbranch Foundation

The Longbranch Foundation funded a field trip for KPMS ASB Officers and Leadership to take part in a Middle Level Leadership Summit at Hawkins Middle School. They had the opportunity to work alongside student leaders from four other schools to share ideas for improving school climate and engaging the school community by working with school staff and each other.

KPMS thanked us with these photos!



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Membership Meeting Minutes

LIC MEMBER MEETING

Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 7PM by Acting Vice President Chris Wright, who conducted this meeting in Bob Perry's absence.

President's Welcome & Remarks

Chris Wright introduced Mike Fay who spoke about CISP (Communities in Schools Program.) This program provides tutoring in reading to elementary students. CISP is looking for more volunteers to help with this program in the afternoon. If you are interested, there is a sign up sheet available. A question was raised about whether volunteers could submit those hours to count for their required hours. This was done in the past but stopped due to IRS rules. The subject will be addressed again at the next LIC board meeting.

Chris also presented Mike Fay with the Volunteer of Quarter for the 4th quarter of 2023 for his continued support of the LIC. He works on the LIC grounds and will be Santa at Kids & Christmas this year for the 6th year in a row. Mike also works with other organizations on the KP in a variety of volunteer positions.

Secretary

MOTION: Approve the September membership meeting minutes. MSP

Treasurer

Jim Hettinger provided an updated financial report. Our net loss for September was much lower than budgeted, so the numbers look very good. The Pierce County taxes have been paid.

Building & Grounds

Chris Wright spoke about small projects that still need attending to such as weeding. If you are in need of volunteer hours please contact Chris at bldg-grounds@lic-kpwa.com.

Membership

Nancy Carr reminded everyone to get their hours in. Volunteers are needed for Trunk or Treat, especially parking attendants, Deck the Halls, and Kids & Christmas. A box is set up for candy donations in the foyer during pickleball for Trunk or Treat. Candy donations can also be dropped off at Evergreen Elementary.

Events

Nancy Carr spoke about the success of Doug MacLeod. Barb Green talked about the success of Fiber Arts.

There were about 500 or so cars, which means that attendance was probably up around 1,000 people. The event ran very smoothly thanks to the help of all the volunteers! This is one of the largest community events we sponsor and 2024 will be the 20th anniversary of this event.

Marina

Jim Hettinger reminded members that not everyone has paid their Quarter 4 moorage. He also reminded people to make sure they have the appropriate number of hours and meetings in.

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The Longbranch Foundation

Sheryl Low spoke about a student program grant that was awarded to KPMS to go to Hawkins Middle School for a leadership summit. The students learned about leadership and were able to take many ideas back to their school. She reminded everyone that donations go directly towards whatever you designate them to go towards. Celebrate campaign envelopes went out and you can specify where your donations are used.

Sheryl also thanked Jan Pritchard for stepping back in to TLF while Sheryl was away on vacation over the summer. Jan had previously served on the TLF board.

Other Business

Jim Hettinger pointed out the food donation box in the foyer. The LIC will be collecting donations and is looking for a volunteer to take the donations to the Senior Center in Home. Thank you Tom Nosenzo for volunteering!!

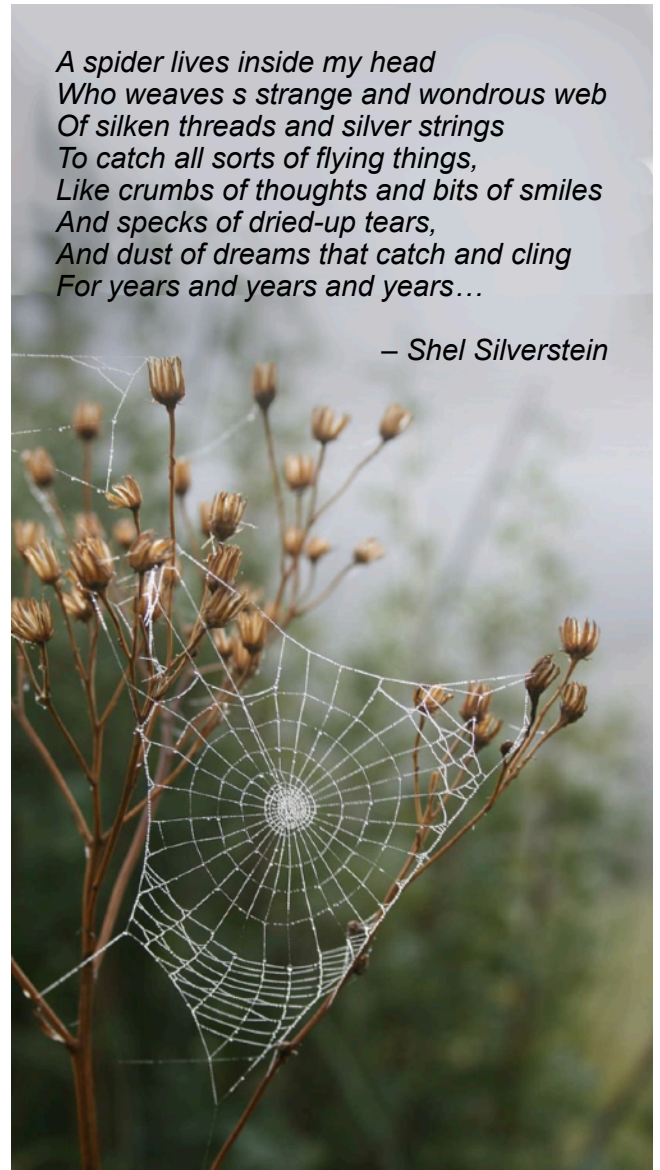
Chris Wright let membership know that the idea of having a ping pong table is still being discussed.

Chris Wright and Nancy Carr went today (10/18/23) and picked out the tree for Kids & Christmas.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

- a. Pickleball every Tuesday 10:00AM - 6:00PM
- b. Trunk or Treat - Oct. 27th, 2023
- c. Next board meeting - Nov. 8th, 2023
- d. Next membership meeting - Nov.15th, 2023
- e. TGIF- Nov. 17th, 2023

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30PM.



*A spider lives inside my head
Who weaves s strange and wondrous web
Of silken threads and silver strings
To catch all sorts of flying things,
Like crumbs of thoughts and bits of smiles
And specks of dried-up tears,
And dust of dreams that catch and cling
For years and years and years...*

– Shel Silverstein

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