



MEMBER NEWSLETTER

FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY

November 2024

President's Message

Dark evenings, cold rain and wind. We are right on track for our fall, and it's nice to be inside, warm and slowing down a bit. But the LIC is going anything but slow.

The Fiber Arts event was nothing short of amazing, with many vendors immediately asking to sign-up for next year's event, and we had a great crowd in attendance as well. Our volunteers really worked hard, and the execution was flawless.



We just finished Trunk or Treat, and the attendance was massive. The fire department set up traffic control on the KP Highway to keep everyone safe, and our volunteers, along with the Evergreen PTA who really drive the event, rose to the occasion, and the kids had a wonderful time. Thanks to everyone for their hard work, and of course for the donation of so much candy for the kids.

Switching gears, a reminder to everyone to get your volunteer hours into Track it Forward (Nancy Carr can help you if you have not used the system yet), particularly those in the marina. We have a couple of slips that may transition because existing slip holders may not have enough hours and meetings to remain "qualified", and others may fill their slots. Also a reminder that the marina rules regarding insurance and other requirements are not optional, and unfortunately, we have to remove non-compliant moorage tenants. Please work with Rick Harrison to ensure you are compliant.

I'm also pleased to note that we recognized Mary Lemon as our Q-4 2024 Volunteer of the Quarter. Mary has worked tirelessly managing the kitchen and coordinating our food service, she has been a pillar of our operations, and we are really lucky to have her.

See you soon!

Bob Perry

President

The Longbranch Improvement Club

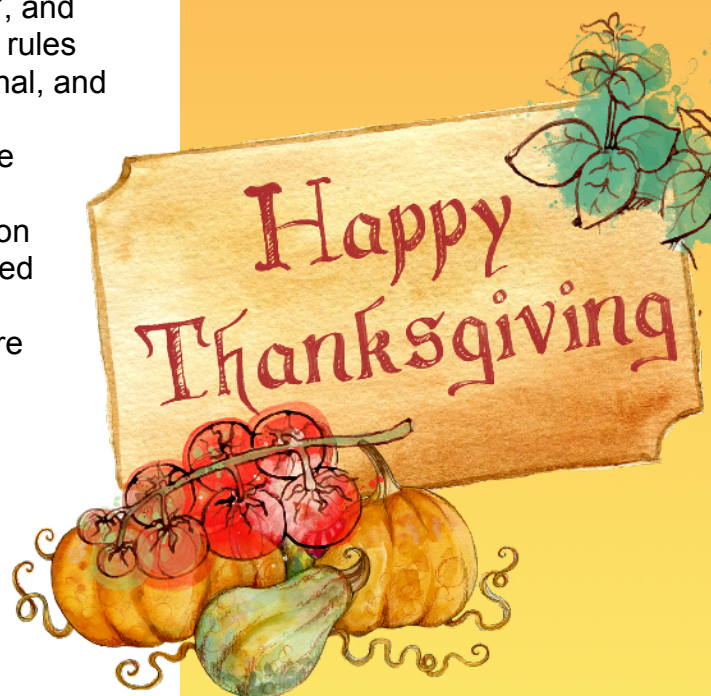
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Upcoming Events & Volunteer Opportunities

- ◆ Pickleball & Ping pong
Tuesdays 9 AM – 5PM
- ◆ Events Committee
Everyone is welcome!
Nov. 6th 4PM
- ◆ TGIF Nov. 15th
5:30 – 8:30PM
BYOB
- ◆ Member Meeting
Nov. 20th 7PM
Appetizers & Desserts



Membership News

A big welcome to our new members for September and October:
Christine and Aaron McCoy
David Blunk
Debbie McGibbon and Mike Lawson
Mark and Diana Pfister
Thanks for becoming part of our community.

If you logged in to the LIC website within the past few days, you noticed it looked a bit different. It still has some work to be done, not everything is up to date, but it is a great start for our new website. The website has not changed, is still www.licweb.org.

A new feature in the Membership tab is available for logging your hours into Track It Forward. If you check the 'Volunteer' tab under the Membership banner, at the top of the page is a tab to 'Report Volunteer Hours'. If you are set up in *Track It Forward*, you can report your hours here. There is also a Timesheet to show hours previously entered. It is now easy to check to see if you have entered past events. If you need help setting up your *Track It Forward* account, email me and I can help.

Nancy Carr
LIC Membership Chair
membership@lic-kpwa.com



*Volunteer of the Quarter
Mary Lemon*

From the Sunshine Corner



"Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud"

- Maya Angelou.

Hello All,

First, I want to thank Cheril Allen for her seven years of dedicated service to the LIC as Sunshine Representative and for entrusting me with this role. I have big shoes to fill, and it's an honor to continue the great work she has done for many years.

This month, I sent out three 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. You can email me at sunshinereplic@gmail.com.

Thank you,
Alex Oh
Sunshine Representative
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Events

November is a quiet month for events. TGIF is Friday, Nov. 15th and there will be another Open Mic on Dec. 10th.

Fiber Arts was a well-attended event at the end of September. All of the vendors and non-profits were happy with the turnout and the interactions with the public. The Farm Tour Committee has announced that they will again organize a Spring event in June and again in September 2025. We will need help with planning and execution of the Fiber Arts Show next fall.

We cannot plan or execute our activities without participation and ideas from Membership. We need recommendations from members for bands for dances on Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends as well as input and ownership for any other events that members are interested in. Our next Events Committee meeting will be Nov. 6th at 4PM at the Clubhouse. We hope you will join us! Your feedback is important to us.

The other plans for 2025, some of which are tentative, are:

March 15th, Suds and Spuds	Needs Leadership
April or May Super sale	Needs Leadership
May 24th, Memorial Dance	Needs leadership
July 4 Home parade Pancake breakfast	Jim Hettinger
Aug. 30th Labor Day Dance ??? (discuss with the Marina)	Needs leadership
Sep. 20th Apple Cup Tailgate party???	Mary Clift
Sep. 27th Fiber Arts ???	Needs leadership
Oct. 11th, TLF Auction	Sheryl Low
Oct. 24th, Trunk or Treat	Evergreen PTA
Oct. 31st Halloween Dance	Tanya Perry/ Ashley Perry
Dec. 6th Deck the Halls	Needs Leadership
Dec. 14th Kids & Christmas	Nancy Carr/ Jan Prichard
Dec. 20th De-deck the Halls	Volunteers

Bob & Barb Green
Events Chairs events@lic-kpwa.com



Photo by Pat

Longbranch Improvement Club Chili potluck and Lighted Boats



SATURDAY DEC. 7th 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. The lighted boats will be lined in all their glorious

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

lights for ohhhing and ahhhhing.

All you boaters get your
boats decorated and join
the fun!



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.

Building & Grounds

Many of you probably do not know where the water for the marina comes from...

Well, this photo is the Otto Water System water tower, which the Marina is a 1/5 (1/6?) member of. The Marina helps pay for the expenses and maintenance of the system.

Recently, it was decided that the exterior of the tower was pretty badly rusted and pitted and required some TLC. It required cleaning before it could be primed. The initial thought was to hit it with wire wheels on hand grinders...not much fun. A work party was set up for Sept. 7th but due several reasons, it was postponed. Probably, a bad call on my part...

Anyway, the silver lining was that it was determined that with various rust primers/rust converters, we could forgo grinding it to death and opt for power washing. Thanks to Phil DiGirolamo and his wife, Michelle, he crawled on top and all around it and got it cleaned!

On very short notice of 2-3 days, four LIC members volunteered to apply a coat of primer before it got too cold and/or wet...

Bruce Phelps, Carolyn & Tobin Mollenkopf, and Po Karczewski primed this beast into submission!!!

A BIG thank you to them for stepping up on such short notice, and, another BIG thank you to DiGirolamos' for the power washing which allowed the Water Tower Painting Crew to work their artistry! Please, thank them for their efforts!!!

Thank you,
Roy Miller
Building & Grounds Chair – bldg-grounds@lic-kpwa.com



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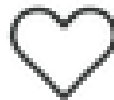
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Sheryl Low
TLF President
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Meeting commenced at 7:02PM

- Volunteer of the Quarter! Mary Lemon
 - Thank you for all you do for our community!
- Buildings & Grounds:
 - This month the water tower at the marina was cleaned, power-washed, and primed for future painting. Thank you to our volunteers for their hard work - Bruce Phelps, Carolyn & Tobin Mollenkopf, Po Karczewski, and Phil DiGirolamo.
- Treasurer:
 - Our net income was a loss for September of (\$1,532.65), versus a budgeted loss of (\$12,235.85). In income, we are almost at our numbers for the year in Building Rentals, and over for the year in Events. Marina should end the year close to the annual number. Just to put things in perspective, for Events we are currently at 393% for the year in NET income. For Marina we are at 162% for the year so far in NET income. And for the entire LIC, we are currently at 5,756% for the year in net income. That will go down, as we are now entering a portion of the year where income is lower, and expenses are going to go up. Estimated that we may have \$70K to put into restricted funds for Building and Marina.
- Secretary:
 - Minutes listed in last month's newsletter approved, motion made and carried.
- Marina:
 - Kayak spots still available - premium spots for \$200
 - Opportunities to volunteer, reach out to Rick and Katie Harrison.
- Membership:
 - Welcome new members: Christine & Aaron McCoy, David Blunk, Debbie McGibbon, Mike Lawson, Mark & Diana Pfister
 - If support is needed with Track It Forward, please reach out to Nancy Carr.
- Events:
 - Fiber Arts was a huge success, vendors are eager to return next year and volunteers are needed to help for events next year.
 - TGIF at 5:30pm, come join in on the fun and enjoy the live music on Nov. 15th.
 - Trunk or Treat: Parking lot will be used for Halloween events and trails for a family-friendly haunted experience. Let our events team know if you would like to volunteer, decorate, or help with car flow.
 - Next year: Interested in joining in the planning fun? Join the events committee to help plan events for next year. Event meetings are the 1st Wednesday of every month from 4:00-5:00 at the LIC.
- Foundation:
 - Check out grant support opportunities to help children in the community. Email newsletters will be sent throughout the year at a light recurrence, use those letters to donate - reminder that no leadership is paid and all money is given back to the community.
- President:
 - If you have received a kind card or letter from the LIC in the last 7 years, it was created by Cheril Allen, thank you for all you do to show our membership kindness!

Thank you,
Ashley Perry
LIC Secretary
secretary@lic-kpwa.com

Community News & Events

Join us in celebrating the life of
Wally D. Johnson
on Nov. 9th from 12 - 4PM

At the Longbranch Improvement Club.

We will enjoy Wally's favorite protein, side salad, rolls, and favorite sweet treats. Feel free to bring a side dish to share.

This is a joyful occasion to remember Wally, the true free spirit we all loved. We look forward to gathering together in his honor.



****Free Event****

KP Community Litter Drop-Off

Saturday, November 2nd
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM (or until dumpsters are full)

3 Drop-Off Locations:

- Lake Kathryn Village Mall
- 64th St NW & KP Hwy
- The Longbranch Improvement Club (LIC)

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What WILL be accepted?

- Residential garbage, roadside litter, mattresses (**one** per household), small furniture, small electrical appliances, **dried** latex paint
- Scrap Metal for recycling.
- Car and small truck tires **without** rims allowed **only** at the 64th St. NW & KPH location. Limit is 4 per household.

What will NOT be accepted?

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