



NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING: SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 7:00PM

President's Message

Our beautiful summer is nearing its end, and while we have some weeks left, soon we will be enjoying the changes of fall, and our regular rains. As part of the fall, your LIC has a large number of events coming, including Fiber Arts, the Doug Macleod concert, Trunk or Treat, decorating the LIC and of course, Kids and Christmas and our holiday dinner. For our September member meeting we will have the Red Barn Youth Center Director as a guest speaker, sharing their activities that support the kids of the Peninsula. To make all of these events and activities possible, the volunteers who work so hard are truly appreciated, and of course, we would love to see more members pitching in to ensure the load is shared with all of us. Volunteering is a wonderful way to make new friends and support the community, so please reach out and help.



Bob Perry

My personal thanks to everyone who works so hard!

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

Upcoming Events

- ◆ Pickleball every Tuesday
10:00AM - 6:00PM
- ◆ Thirsty Thursday - Every Thursday, 4:30PM
at the Marina
- ◆ Next membership meeting Sept. 20th Social
Time 6 - 7PM Appetizers and Desserts
Meeting 7PM
- ◆ TGIF - Sep. 22nd 5:30 - 8:30PM at the LIC
- ◆ Doug MacLeod Concert
Oct. 4th 7 - 9PM
<https://lic.ticketspice.com/doug-macleod-blues>
- ◆ Fiber Arts Show
Oct. 7th 10AM - 4PM

Longbranch Improvement Club
Exhibits and Demonstrations
Guest Artist: Margo Macdonald

fiber arts

threads through time
ARTISTIC TO UTILITARIAN
TRADITIONAL TO MODERN

Saturday Oct. 7
10am to 4pm
Free Admission

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Cash bar – No Outside Beverages. Outside food is allowed – table seating.

Don't miss this amazing event! LICWEB.ORG

Hello from the dock!

We have enjoyed an incredible summer with great weather. It's always good to see people using their boats and enjoying our beautiful area.

We have clubs visiting until the end of October. West Seattle Yacht Club stayed the last weekend in August, they are wonderful people and it is always great to see them each year.

Rick Harrison

Marina Chair – marina@lic-kpwa.com

Katie Harrison

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Thirsty Thursday



June
1ST!

Thirsty Thursday starts Thursday June 1ST!

For those of you who have never attended a Thirsty Thursday come down to the marina at 4:30, bring a beverage and a nibble to share. TT will continue until Labor Day. Depending on the crowd, weather and boats available we will head out for a cocktail cruise or just cocktail at the dock. We have been known to tie 3 boats together and cruise the bay with our nibbles and cocktails. Questions contact Kelly Hettinger your TT cruise director 253-220-7808

Come join the fun!

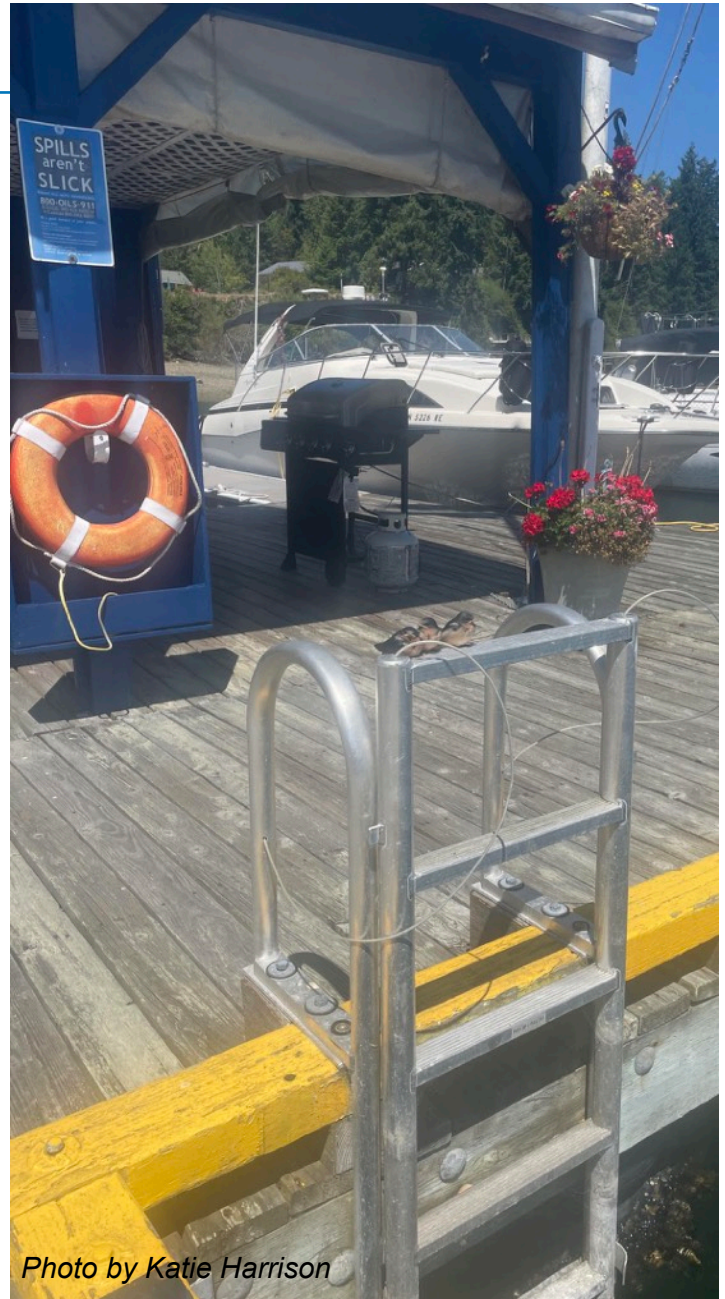


Photo by Katie Harrison

"Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving."

~ Albert Einstein



From the Sunshine Corner

Hello All,
This month, I have nothing to report. Remember, if you are aware of a member that needs a bit of Sunshine, please let me know.

Thank you.
Cheril Allen
Sunshine Representative –
brettandcheril@gmail.com

Rentals & Marketing

No new reservations were booked in August, but the clubhouse continues to be very busy with most weekends booked for rentals through September and October. 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

Community Announcement



SEPTEMBER 17, 2023 CKC – LONGBRANCH

FREE Special Needs Event!

Up to 20 children between the ages of 3-months and 103-years with special needs, physical or developmental, will be invited to join us! Event to be held at YMCA Camp Colman, 20016 Bay Rd SW, Longbranch, WA 98351. Contact *Courageous Kids Climbing* for registration form!



**FREE EVENT FOR KIDS
WITH SPECIAL NEEDS!**

**6th Annual Visit to
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**Hosted by
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Sunday, Sept. 17, 2023

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

The Longbranch Foundation Newsletter September 2023

By Sheryl Low, President



As summer comes to an end I reflect on what a wonderful community we live in. Not only are we fortunate to have a giving community, we also have a THANKFUL and GRATEFUL community. As part of our Student Programs we provide grants to Evergreen Elementary and Key Peninsula Middle School. Our commitment this year has been to fund enriching experiences and field trips for the youth of the KP.

We had funded a field trip to the Miracle Ranch for the graduating eighth grade class. This experience allows the students to challenge their physical skills and build confidence in a safe, supportive arena. Activities include a ropes course, with the leap of faith and the rope swing, rock climbing, paintball and archery. It's like a week of sleep away camp activities in one day. This is also a great ending to the student's time at KP Middle School.

In August I received the most wonderful surprise in my email! A Thank- you email with photos!



What struck me is they took the time to make a huge painted banner and take a group picture. I wanted to share their appreciation and gratefulness with all of the LIC members. Your donations and continued support of the Foundation make these smiling faces possible.

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The Longbranch Foundation cont:



By giving and funding these experiences, we let our kids know they have community support and we demonstrate how to live in a community and give back. This serves as a role model for their future participation in society! Seeing the student's appreciation and joy is so important to those who donate the money to fund these field trips.

Sincerely,
Dr. Sheryl Lowe
TLF President – sheryl.a.low@gmail.com

Membership Meeting Minutes

LIC MEMBER MEETING

Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM

President's Welcome & Remarks

Bob Perry reminded everyone about the idea to host an after-school program. At the September meeting we will have a representative from the Red Barn to talk about their program. A conversation will be had to determine how we can help them and how they can help us without duplicating efforts.

Bob announced that the Key IGA presented the LIC a check for \$4,300 as part of the "Round it Up" program. We will be eligible to participate in this program every sixteen months as they have sixteen non-profits participating in the program.

Kelly Guenther has been appointed as the interim acting Events Chair/Trustee. This position still needs to be filled. The Events Chair really just needs to coordinate a group of volunteers who own and run different events.

Chris Wright has been appointed acting Vice-President/Trustee. This position also needs to be filled as Chris is the Building & Grounds Chair/Trustee which is a big responsibility by itself. The Vice-President also sits on the board of The Longbranch Foundation.

Bob talked about the new email addresses for all of the board members. He also spoke a little about the new website being created.

Secretary

MOTION: Approve the July membership meeting minutes. MSP

Treasurer

No report given.

Building & Grounds

Bob Perry gave an update on the stream diversion project which is scheduled to be completed in the next few days. He also spoke about the need for an electrician to help install the new stoves in the clubhouse.

Membership

Nancy Carr asked that if anyone has not paid the second half of their dues for 2023 that they reach out to her. She announced that lanyards may be coming back. A reminder was given to utilize Track It Forward and if you have any questions regarding how to use it, please reach out to Nancy at membership@lic-kpwa.com.

Marina

Rick Harrison spoke about an active theft problem at the marina. Law enforcement is involved and the marina is currently under full lock-down. Pierce County has advised us that there is no problem keeping the marina under full lock-down at this time. Per our easement agreement we are "open to the public" which we should be able to interpret as "open to the boating public." A final interpretation from the county will be issued when they are finished reviewing the matter. A reminder was given not to share gate codes or let anyone in that you do not know.

The parking lot, which is not owned by the LIC, may be expanded. This issue is being reviewed.

The WiFi at the marina was previously expanded, however, we have outgrown the capacity. A new router has been ordered to greatly increase the capacity.

A question was asked regarding allowing a live-aboard for security purposes. Our DNR lease strictly forbids that.

Sunshine Report

No report given.

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Membership Meeting Minutes cont:

Events

Kelly Guenther thanked Rosa Velder for her time as the Events Chair/Trustee. He asked the membership if they would like to see additional events such as a farmer's market or Oktoberfest type of event. He also asked how many of the members present are retired. He further spoke about the need for people to sign up to help with different events. A reminder was given about Doug MacLeod giving a performance on Oct. 4, 2023; Fiber Arts on Oct. 5, 2023; and the Farm Tour.

Barb Green spoke about Fiber Arts which is always the first weekend of October along with the Farm Tour. Margo MacDonald will be the featured artist. There will be other artists, vendors, and an antique car show. Volunteers are needed for this event. Parking staff, rovers, greeters, shuttle drivers are some of the positions that need to be filled. These two events are attended by people from all over.

Trustee

Kelly Guenther gave a roofing update. We have applied for a grant from the county and more paperwork is being submitted this week.

The Longbranch Foundation

No report given

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1. Pickleball every Tuesday 10:00AM - 6:00PM
2. Thirsty Thursday - Every Thursday at the Marina
3. Next board meeting - Sept. 13, 2023
4. Next membership meeting - Sept. 20, 2023
5. TGIF - Sept. 22, 2023

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by
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Photo by Cindy Evans

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