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NEXT MEMBERS MEETING: SEPTEMBER 19TH 7PM – DESSERT POTLUCK



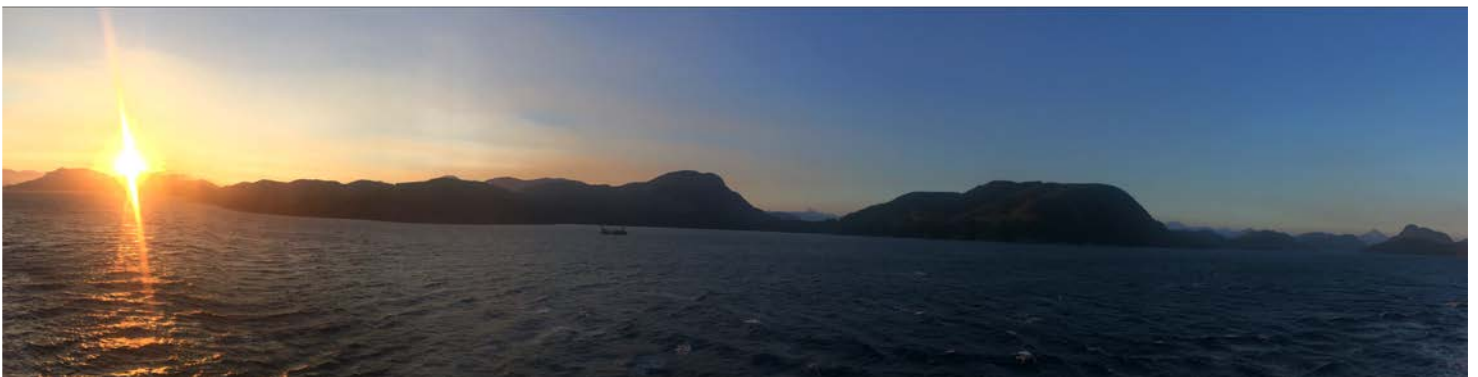
President's Message

September is upon us already, children are headed back to school, summer toys will soon be put away, and your LIC is gearing up for a busy time of year. This month kicks off a full slate of activities for the LIC that extends through year-end. It also provides you with ample opportunity to put in some volunteer hours and earn more "LIC Bucks".

The following events are on the schedule:

September 1 st	Labor Day Dance
September 10 th	Installation of the new Longbranch sign (this week)
September 29 th	Dedication ceremony for the sign
October 6 th	Fiber Arts and the Farm Tour (the Marina has been added this year)
October 26 th	"Trunk – or – Treat"
December 1 st	"Deck the Halls"
December 16 th	"Kids & Christmas"

Also in the mix will be our usually monthly membership meetings. In this regard, please note the dates for the November and December meetings have been changed from normal timing due to conflicts with the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. The membership meeting in November will be on the 14th, and the December membership meeting will be on the 12th.



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You will be hearing more in the coming days about the new "Longbranch – Est. 1891" sign to be placed at the far north end of the LIC's property. The new sign and landscaping was designed by Jim Olson, and the sign is being constructed and will be placed by Mark Ambler. Barb Floyd led a small committee that raised the necessary funds and worked for nearly two years with Pierce County to get a speed limit sign on Key Pen Hwy moved so that the County would allow for installation of an appropriately sized community sign. Congratulations and special thanks to Jim, Mark, Barb, the entire committee and to Pierce County Councilman Derek Young and his assistant, John Jolibois, for their cooperation in getting the process brought to a favorable completion.

Finally, it seems I'm stuck in a rut by again reporting our marina upgrade project remains in the permitting stage and the current hang-up is with National Marine Fisheries (NOAA). Our contractor is diligently working with them to get the permitting process on track so we can complete the project in the next few months. We remain hopeful, but the calendar is closing in on when we can get the work completed before the so-called "fish window" closes early in 2019.



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Attention All Roadies

Our final Road Clean Up will be done on Saturday, September, 15th at 10:00 am. **There is a private event at the LIC so we will meet in the Fire Station offices across the street from the LIC at 10:00am.** We'll have coffee, goodies, paper work for you to sign, pickers, helmets, vests, bags for the litter and water for you to take on your Road Clean Up. We still only need six (6) volunteers because Kevin is still doing such a great job at the end of it. Please contact me as soon as you can so we can start getting ready to set up for you. If you have any questions, you can call me at 253 884-3890 or email me at patroon9047@aol.com. Look forward to hearing from you.

Pat Muchmore



Once again we have enjoyed a summer that always seems to end too soon. We can certainly do without the 90+ degree weather and the smoke filled atmosphere, and for a change I wish we would have a day of rain! Are we ever satisfied?

Connie Hildahl has worked her magic and processed an amazing number of Market Receipts for June and July – a record \$8,568.84 in receipts yielded a nice deposit of \$85.68. The year-to-date total for receipts is \$21,979.76. THANK YOU for remembering to bring them in, and thank you Connie for doing all the math required to develop the correct number.

The Foundation and the LIC received a second thank you letter from Food Backpacks 4 Kids. As you know, we filled a Grant request from them in February and the current letter describes how they were able to include a carton of milk in the 200 backpacks for 10 weeks – 2000 cartons of milk! You can read the letter at

<https://www.longbranchfoundation.org/2018/08/17/food-backpacks-4-kids-thanks-the-longbranch-foundation/>

A new “LONGBRANCH – Est. 1891” sign, designed by Jim Olson, welcoming travelers to our community will be installed by Mark Ambler and a crew of volunteers during the week of September 10th. We are planning a dedication of the sign for September 29 at 1pm. Please come if you can.

YOU ARE INVITED!!
DEDICATION
OF THE
LONGBRANCH SIGN



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 @ 1:00 pm
Sponsored by The Longbranch Foundation & The Longbranch Improvement Club

As a Foundation, we are focused on providing money to improve the quality of life for adults and children of the community through our charitable purposes. We strive to keep our solicitation of your donations to once a year in the fall. As you think about contributing to the Foundation, please read about “Ways to Donate” on our web page and consider some tax saving ideas such as donating from your IRA “Required Minimum Distribution” (RMD) or donating appreciated stock. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

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Marina Report

As some of you know the marina will be part of the KP Farm Tour this year for the first time. The shuttle bus will stop in the marina parking lot. I need a few folks to help out on Oct. 6th and we could use a 10x10 popup tent for shelter for the bus stop.

The following people and groups will be at the marina to display, show, answer questions, and be part of the farm tour.

- ⚓ Key Center water rescue
- ⚓ Anderson Island Fire Boat
- ⚓ Tacoma Power Squadron
- ⚓ These folks will be conducting boat inspections. If you are interested, let me know and I'll put you on the list. If you know of any boaters that would like this inspection performed, have them contact me.
- ⚓ Dave's Diving
- ⚓ Wooden Boats
- ⚓ Some members have volunteered to let folks check out their boats

Overall, we have had a busy summer at the marina. The waiting list for slips keeps growing. It is great to again be full with permanent forage and people waiting for spots.

Let me know if you can help Oct. 6th at the marina for the KP Farm Tour.

Robert Theisen
Marina Chair



A smoky day on the South Sound

Dockmaster Report

Summer is winding down, but September will be a big month for us. There will be boaters coming in almost every weekend.

Thanks to Herb and Pam Marra for keeping the ice freezer stocked. It is very much appreciated.

In addition to the yacht clubs and groups you see on the calendar, we have had a steady flow of independent boaters visit the marina, and a lot of them are repeaters that really like the quiet beauty of Filucy Bay.

Lynn Carr
Dockmaster

Membership Info

I concede. I can't put it off much longer. I've tried, but...I'm starting to change our address (yes, finally). Was thinking of doing it with our Christmas cards (instead of a family picture), but decided some of the places that needed updating definitely were NOT on my list! Speaking of a list, next is the membership list. If you only changed from KPS to SW and KPN to NW, no need to let me know. However, if you had a complete address change, please reach out to me.

Nancy Carr
Membership Chair

Farm Tour and Fiber Arts

The Farm Tour and Fiber Arts are coming up very soon – October 6th, from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM. This year, we have the addition of our Marina on the Farm Tour and it will be part of the shuttle bus route. Robert and the Marina committee have been working on great items to show, demo and educate. If you would like to volunteer at the marina, please see him.

The LIC will be very active. All the inside booths for Fiber Arts are taken as we have many returning vendors and some new ones. There are still outdoor spaces available, if you are interested. There is a new menu that leans heavily toward local, farm fresh items. Our featured artist this year is our own Carolyn Wiley. She will be displaying some of her unique and custom quilts and jewelry. Carolyn also designed and pieced the Farm Tour raffle quilt. Wait until you see it – stunning! The LIC will again be the parking place for the South shuttle, and there will be two busses allocated for the south route this year. Stay tuned in a few weeks for the KeyPen newspaper with the Farm Tour insert.

If you can help with Fiber Arts, let us know. Robin Gould will be doing the layout planning and setting up on Friday, and we need help Saturday with the LIC booth, and a couple of other spots. Please let us know if you can help.

Nancy Carr



Longbranch Improvement Club
Exhibits Demonstrations Food

fiber arts

threads through time
ARTISTIC TO UTILITARIAN
TRADITIONAL TO MODERN

Saturday Oct. 6
10am to 4pm
Free Admission

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PRESENTED BY LIC WITH KEY PENINSULA FARM TOUR

**Visit members Josh & Erin Johnson at the Foxglove Farm
behind the LIC on Erickson Road during the Farm Tour.**

Building and Grounds

The Building and Grounds team needs your help in September for our fall grounds cleanup. We will be maintaining the trails and plantings at our beautiful LIC, and will be announcing the schedule soon!

The new logs in the parking lot are being arranged this week to help further demarcate our parking area, and reduce driving on grassy area - a big thanks to Sharon Gearhart for volunteering her loader and time to help make this happen.

We are also looking for help on the committee with electrical work as well as AV setup. It's a great team and we thank everyone for their help and support.

Bob Perry
Building and Grounds



CPR and/or STOP THE BLEED

On September 29th there will be CPR and Stop the Bleed classes held at the Key Center Fire Department meeting room. CPR will start at 9:00 a.m. and Stop the Bleed at 12:00 p.m. There is a \$35 charge per person for the CPR class but the Stop the Bleed class is free. You may take one or both classes.

On October 20th there will be a Stop the Bleed class held at the same location at 12:00 p.m. If there is enough interest, a CPR class can be added for the same day starting at 9:00 a.m.

If you are interested and have not signed up for one of these dates please contact Peg Bingham @ bing6178@gmail.com or 253-884-1124. Members, family and/or friends are all welcome.

Peg Bingham



Events:

From Steamboat Springs, Colorado:

Barb and I have been on a road trip since August 3rd, so we are a little out of touch. We would like to thank everyone who has volunteered to help out with the Labor Day Dance. We will be back on Sunday and will send out reminders next week. Hats off to Marsha Kremen for picking up where we left off and solidifying the volunteers!

We will be scheduling an events committee meeting after the 1st of September and will send out a notice of date and time after we return.

On the horizon is the Evergreen PTA fundraiser on the 15th and Fiber Arts in October. We will clarify what the need for volunteers is for both events and update as soon as we have more details.

We are looking forward to our return and an exciting Fall on the Key!

Bob & Barb
Events Co-Chairs



Bob and Barb's adventure



From the Sunshine Corner

I'm sad to report of the unexpected passing of a long-time member, Karen Barrows. Karen was very active with the LIC for many years and was instrumental in developing some of our current activities. I didn't have the pleasure of knowing her, but I'm sure many of you will remember her fondly. As I heard from several people, she always had a smile on her face and a warm hand to offer. She will be missed greatly.

There is another unexpected passing to report, Kim Robinson's daughter, Katie, passed due to complications from an infection. I know I'm not alone in saying that my heart goes out to Kim during this time of deep sadness.

Let's all surround her with compassion and support.

Cheril



Katie

LIC General Meeting

August 15, 2018



Clark Van Bogart, president, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary: Jane Eiseman was not present. Clark asked that the minutes of the July meeting be approved as written and submitted. MSP.

Treasurer: Jim Hettinger distributed copies of the Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Budget Report as of July 31, 2018.

President: Clark announced a change in the meeting date for November. It will be held November 14th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: Nancy Carr announced that the LIC website update is completed.

Events: Bob and Barb Green were not present. They are working on the Labor Day Dance, to be held on September 1st. Marsha Kremen said that two more bartenders for beer and wine, three more for mixed drinks and some additional people for help cleaning up are needed.

Building and Grounds: Bob Perry was not present. Clark thanked Jim Sobiek for the job he did on the fence extension and the dumpster enclosure. The piles of logs on the LIC grounds are to be used as a continuation of the rock barrier. Two fourteen foot gates will be installed - one where the rocks are now and the other at the far north end of the LIC property.

Marina: Robert Theisen noted that we are getting a lot of visitors at the Marina.

Sunshine: Cheril Allen announced that a long-time active member of the LIC, Karen Barrow, passed on August 7th. Also Kim Robinson's daughter recently passed away.

Peg Bingham noted that the Fire department is offering a CPR class, from 9 until noon, followed by a Stop the Bleed class, on September 29th and October 13th. The cost is \$35.

OLD BUSINESS

Clark reported that the Marina grant is on hold, waiting for the okay from National Marine Fisheries (NOAA), which is requiring a diver exploration.

THE LONGBRANCH FOUNDATION

Barb Floyd presented data on TLF's financials, revenues and expenditures, from January 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018. She read a second thank you letter from Food Backpacks 4 Kids. Clark commented that, unlike three years ago, donors to The Longbranch foundation are able to specify purposes for their donations (e.g.scholarships, trail maintenance etc.).

Next Meeting: September 19th, dessert potluck, speaker to be announced.

Adjourned 7:15 p.m.

Submitted by Jane Eiseman.

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