MEMBER NEWS



FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY

MAY 2020

NEXT MEMBERS MEETING: MAY 20, 2020 – DETAILS TO FOLLOW



President's Message

At the risk of being repetitive, I hope you are all doing well and staying safe and healthy. By my calculations we are now in week 5 of stay at home orders, as of this writing. Jilly and I are doing well and getting quite a few things done around the house and garden. We have been participating in Zoom happy hours. They can be a little disconcerting when everyone talks at once, but it is wonderful to see

our friend's faces and hear their voices. Did you know that there is a new cocktail called a Quarantini? I've heard two recipes. One is just your regular martini but with 6 olives, the other is Emergen-C and vodka. I'll stick with a regular martini, one olive please.

The State of Washington has been doing a great job in "flattening the curve" and reducing the spread of the virus. We have a ways to go and let's hope things will start to ease up over the next month or so.

The board has continued to do its work via Zoom meetings and many many emails. We are getting some projects completed, most of which do not involve a great deal of cost. We are looking at ways to help our members get in their hours and meetings for qualification. We have made a little progress on the Preservation Grant. The engineering firm has not been able to schedule a site visit, so our internal project manager Bart Wolfe, met with Clark Van Bogart and Bob Perry at the building to photograph and document structural elements. Bart subsequently sent those to the engineer. He will still need a site visit which he says we can schedule as soon as things open up for his type of business.

We held a meeting of the pump out station committee and reviewed a series of plans that incorporate long term goals for the marina that go beyond just the pump out station. We discussed the various options and decided on a plan. Brett will revise his drawings and plans for committee review. He hopes to submit the shoreline permit request in about 2 to 21/2 weeks, as it has the longest lead time of all required permits. Getting the permits does not obligate us to complete all the phases right away. (continued)

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President's Message (continued)

One thing I have found is that I'm watching a lot more videos on the internet now. Folks are really stepping up with humor and activities that bring families together. They are doing a nightly howl for health care workers in Missoula Montana, and there are all kinds of family dance challenges. I found a video of nuns singing and dancing to Queen's We Will Rock You, including some air guitar, and another one of Snowball the cockatoo dancing to Another One Bites the Dust.

Every day I am grateful to live in this community and be surrounded by our many friends. You all make getting through this much easier. Thanks for all that you do.

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Thanks

The Longbranch Foundation Scholarship Committee recently completed its work for the coming school year. The committee, composed of Robyn Enders, Elizabeth Porter, Jim Guinn, Carolyn Carr, and Barb Van Bogart has selected two scholarship winners from the Peninsula High School class of 2020. This year they selected an academic, and a vocational student whose names will be announced in the near future. The committee also approved the applications of three former recipients who

demonstrated successful pursuit of their academic and career goals, attending their college of choice. As chair of the committee, I want to sincerely thank each individual committee member for their time and effort reviewing student applications. The work of these volunteers makes our club shine, and their work contributes to the success of the youth of our community.

Don OBerger



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THE LONGBRANCH FOUNDATION

INVESTING IN THE SOUTH KEY COMMUNITY



We live in a wonderful community. Many individuals and organizations are working together to care especially for the young and the old. The Key Pen News has put together a lot of information to help us all – Go to: https://keypennews.com/covid-19-resources for a full listing.



GIVE

The Longbranch Foundation has created a centralized system to accept donations for Key Peninsula nonprofit organizations coming to the aid of the KP community during the coronavirus pandemic. If you choose to donate through The Longbranch Foundation, you may select the organization(s) you would like to support by using PayPal, filling out a donation form and mailing a check, clicking through to the nonprofit directly, or by contacting the Foundation. Go to:

https://www.longbranchfoundation.org/covid -19

*Please note: The newly passed CARES Act allows you to deduct up to \$300 in charitable donations even if you use the standard deduction.



EDUCATE

Higher Education Don Berger and his committee have recently completed their review of applications from high school student for scholarships. They are awarding two academic and one vocational education scholarship. In addition, three students in college who received scholarships from us in the past submitted reviews and will receive scholarships to continue their education. Each scholarship is \$1,500, for a total of \$9,000 to be awarded this year. Thank you to all of you who have supported our Auction and Celebrate Campaigns, the source of funding for these scholarships.

Student Programs Jan Prichard and her committee have been working closely with Evergreen and have contributed \$1,300 to feed needy families. Thank you again to all of you who have supported our Auction and Celebrate Campaigns, the source of funding for Student Programs.

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SALE

As you may know, the Super Sale has been postponed until June 13. Kelly Hettinger and her committee have been busy collecting items, wonderful items, some of which are for sale now.

For more information Go to:

https://keypennews.whatsopen.news/stories/lic-super-sale,13



SIGN

The Longbranch Sign was built by the community to welcome travelers to Longbranch. A recognition plaque was recently installed to thank the community, and those special people who contributed time, effort and materials to its installation.

Thank you!

And in the meantime, we will continue to provide this link to the wonderful video designed by Tim Heitzman and built by David Shinners: <u>Longbranch Foundation v.7.mp4</u>

PLEASE STAY SAFE, STAY HEALTHY

If you have any questions about or input for The Longbranch Foundation please do not hesitate to talk with one of our Board members: Randy Carr, Jim Hettinger, Kim Robinson, Clark Van Bogart, Don Swensen, Marcia Harris, Marsha Kremen, David Zeigler or call me.

Contact information can be found on our web site: longbranchfoundation.org

Thank you for working with us to make a difference in our community.

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INVESTING IN THE SOUTH KEY COMMUNITY

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS CONTINUE TO EXCEL

The Longbranch Foundation Scholarship Committee has recommended the renewal of the scholarships of three outstanding students who continue to excel in the pursuit of their studies. One of those students is Mikayla Hoover, who has married and changed her name to Maniatopoulos. Her application follows:

Hello Don and the Longbranch Improvement Club Scholarship Committee,

I am writing to share with you the progress that I've made since our last correspondence as well as request a renewal for the scholarship that you have graciously given me. I will be finishing my Senior year at Washington State University in the fall semester in my pursuit of a bachelor's in Accounting and French for the Professions. You will be pleased to hear that I hold a 3.88 GPA for both of my majors and with WSU in general. After graduation, I hope to use my degrees as a Certified Public Accountant at Moss Adams accounting firm. My aspirations hopefully will take me to a Partner position within the firm or include transitioning to industry where I will work for a nonprofit.

Throughout the past year, I've been enjoying my work as an Accounting intern with the University of Idaho Foundation. I was able to participate in our audit last summer and was given a lead position on a few of the workpapers that were submitted to our auditing firm. In addition, I've been able to apply my knowledge from classes through working on and completing our 990 and 990T tax forms as well as working on the tax returns for a few of the many trusts we hold. In our last correspondence, I mentioned that I was participating in the selection process for Summer Leadership programs with a few of the major accounting firms in the pacific northwest. As an update, I was selected for three programs, Moss Adams, KPMG, and BDO, of which all three offered me summer internship opportunities for the upcoming summer. Each summer leadership experience was unique and provided an opportunity to build my existing business knowledge and networking skills while also giving me a chance to explore each firm's culture and determine which office would provide the best fit for my personality and career goals.

That said, I am happy to announce that I have chosen to intern with Moss Adams in Spokane and have the potential to be offered a full-time position at the end of the summer. All the skills that I've learned both in the classroom and out, have helped me become a stronger, hard-working individual and a well-equipped professional. With graduation around the corner, I'm grateful for the support and assistance that I've received throughout this stage of my student and professional career and am excited to explore the new opportunities being offered to me as I finish up my studies. I look to hearing from you and I hope that you are proud of the things I have accomplished with your help. Thank you so much for your time and generosity.

Sincerely, Mikayla Maniatopoulos

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Longbranch June 13 2020 Super Sale

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Dockmaster Report

Hello from the dock,

We had guest boaters every weekend in April! Day Island was our only Yacht Club to visit.

We have implemented some procedure changes to help with social distancing, like one-way traffic on the wharf, and the ability to pay online with PayPal on the licweb.org website. I want to thank Bill and Lynn Lloyd, Michael and Maribel Cobey, and Brett and Cheril Allen, for donating Clorox wipes for the marina. I very much appreciated it and I was able to keep sanitizing the common touch areas.

If you would like to help at the marina and get some volunteer hours in please contact Robert Theisen, marina chair. We have pressure washing that needs to be done.

I was finally able to try out our kayak launch, It is pretty sweet! I only have 3 spots left for rental please contact me if you would like one.

We purchased a new grill for the marina, thank you Kelly Hettinger for finding the steal of a deal on marketplace. The grill is commercial grade with 8 burners and can handle 72 burgers at a time! This will be very nice for our members to use and the larger clubs. We still have the smaller grill, and both will continue to be available for use.

Here is to getting back to normal, or the new normal.

Katie Harrison Dockmaster

tightlinesandsunshine@gmail.com



The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched – they must be felt with the heart

~Helen Keller

From the Sunshine Corner Hello All,

Thankfully, this month I did not need to send out any get-well cards! I did send out 108
Sunshine cards to hopefully brighten everyone's day.

Cheril Allen, The Sunshine Lady



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Buildings & Grounds

Every day I go outside and it feels more and more like a beautiful summer is on the cusp of arrival. The LIC grounds are sprouting, and fortunately, even during our crisis we have volunteers like Jilly and Mike Fay, as well as others who are pitching in to help. We look forward to being able to be together and working together, on the grounds soon. Then we can focus on our maintenance and improvement plans. Stay safe and let me know if you want to pitch in on an individual basis, there is a lot to do!

Bob Perry
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Membership

This has been an experience for all of us, and hopefully we can soon start to be friends again – in person!!

I know you are not just sitting around reading like I am, but if you are putting in volunteer hours, don't forget to turn them in. If you are helping someone else, please let me know about that, too, and a bit of information of what was done, when and with whom. If you are doing a specific LIC job with a non-member, please let me

know about that, too. I now have a way to collect volunteer hours for non-members, which is helpful for grants, etc. If that person would like to join us, I can transfer the previous volunteer hours from the non-member pool to their account.

Thanks, everyone, stay safe and see you soon,

Nancy Carr Membership Chair

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