# MEMBER NEWSLETTER



FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITY

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NEXT MEMBERS MEETING: OCT. 19, 2022 6:30PM



## **President's Message**

Our late summer continues! To me late summer is just nirvana when you live here on the KP. Today I used the boat as a floating office as temperatures hit the eighties – just days away from October.

October is also harvest time and that brings the Farm Tour and the LIC's Fiber Arts Festival – where I always find stocking stuffers and the best handmade Christmas presents. I hope to see many of you there or at some of the other sites on the Farm Tour.

October 1st also marks an open house memorial for longtime LIC member Mary Mazur who passed earlier this year – and her family is welcoming LIC members who knew her to stop on by. Flyers are posted at the marina and the clubhouse.

The LIC hit a milestone when it comes to equity in September. At the membership meeting we passed – with a unanimous vote – a bylaw change that will allow people living in the zip codes that encompass Key Center, Vaughn and Rocky Bay – to be considered regular members as marina moorage tenants and qualify for permanent moorage status at the LIC Marina. These zip codes are 98351, 98349 and 98394 and expand regular membership status from the very southern tip of the KP to the southern half of the peninsula.

This is an equity issue because the majority of our members are associate members living north of the 98351 zip code and they are the source of the majority of volunteer hours at the marina, so it makes sense to allow them to have the option of securing a year-round slip at our marina.

The board is also hiring an attorney to study our current bylaw language to make sure it satisfies a new nonprofit law the State of Washington implemented this last year. As part of that, we will look at some bylaw language to expand regular membership to all people living in these three zip codes, regardless of whether they are interested in moorage at the marina. This would mainly allow them to vote and get discounted rental rates on our facilities.

Case in point – Don Swenson, former owner of Blend and massive community volunteer and do'er, is donating a 65" TV to the LIC so we can start offering weekend football games, etc. in the LIC foyer as another way to provide members more community opportunities. Don wants to be a regular member – and given how much he volunteers and helps the LIC, I think he should have that opportunity. So stay tuned as we continue these discussions.

#### **President's Message (continued)**

Here's a quick list of events you should get on your calendar for October:

- Oct. 1-2 KP Farm Tour
- Oct. 1 LIC Fiber Arts Festival
- Oct. 1 Mary Mazur Open House Memorial
- Oct. 8 TGIS at the KP Civic Center
- Oct. 12 LIC Board Meeting at 6:30, members welcome to address the board
- Oct. 22 Flavors of Fall Auction 5:00 at the KP Civic Center
- Oct. 19 LIC Membership Meeting (desserts and speaker TBA)
- Oct. 28 LIC Trunk on Treat in the field
- Oct. 29 LIC Halloween Party

One last note on the LIC Halloween Party, this will be for LIC members and invited guests – and we've invited quite a few from the KP Civic Center. It replaces our monthly TGIF event, but will be a bit more over the top. We'll have a live band, a bar, likely some bobbing for apples and hopefully a fair amount of decorations from some of the volunteers who will be at Trunk or Treat. Costumes are encouraged.

I hope to see many of you in the coming month,

#### Kelly Guenther



September was a great month for the Marina. We hosted Roche Harbor in for Labor Day, they had a great time and just love our Marina. Also visiting in September were the Trawler Crawlers, a group from Gig Harbor. At the end of the month a group from Foss came over with their families it was great to see and hear kids playing at the marina.

October is shaping up to be fun, with Fircrest Yacht Club, Shelton Yacht Club, and South Sound Sailing Society at the end

of the month for their annual Halloween cruise to Longbranch.

We will be having our first annual boaters meeting in October for our moorage tenants.

It is still sunny and warm, early fall is a perfect time to visit the marina!

Rick Harrison – Marina Chair Katie Harrison – Dockmaster

# LIC Member Meeting Wednesday, Sept. 21, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 7:01pm

A reminder that the Treasurer is acting as the Vice President.

Robyn Enders was welcomed as the new Membership Chair.

## **Board & Committee Reports**

Membership

New members were introduced and welcomed.

A short discussion was held regarding Neon. Robyn Enders let everyone know that if they have any issues with logging hours to contact her for assistance or to have their hours logged.

Secretary

Motion: Approve minutes from August meeting - MSP

#### **Treasurer**

Updated Financial Reports were shared.

## **Events Committee**

The volunteers who helped make the Labor Day Dance a success were thanked. Volunteers are needed for Fiber Arts being held Oct. 1st. Volunteers are also needed to help with the setup on Sept. 29th.

A reminder was given for upcoming events including Trunk on Treat Oct. 28th and the Halloween Party Oct. 29th.

There was a discussion about the possibility of offering Ballroom Dancing lessons in the foyer and eventually moving the dancing into the main hall. Volunteers would be needed to make this happen.

A Contra Dancing event is tentatively set for Jan. 20, 2023.

The LIC is looking to procure a big screen T.V. for showing sporting events.

## **Building & Grounds**

The Mary Mazur memorial is being held on Oct. 1st at Whiskey Beach. Flyers are posted at the entrance of the clubhouse and at the marina.

Volunteers are needed to take over the maintenance of the trails as Larry Bingham is stepping down from this duty. A discussion was had regarding the need for a Trails & Grounds Committee.

#### **Marina**

Rick Harrison, Dock Chair, made a presentation regarding the expansion of the zip code boundaries for moorage eligibility. This presentation included a reminder that the DNR lease expires in 2032 and all of B Dock and C Dock will need to be replaced before that expiration date. These projects will be lengthy and costly, so it is in the best interest of the marina and membership to begin addressing those needs sooner than later. A question and answer period followed the presentation.

MOTION: Expand zip code eligibility for moorage - MSP

## LIC Member Meeting Cont.

## **Trustee at Large**

Remarks given by Marsha Kremen An update was given regarding the roof project. This project may need to be scaled back pending a review by the Fire Marshal. The architect and project manager have been advised.

Historian - None

Vice President - None

President - None

## The Longbranch Foundation

The Celebrate Campaign begins in October. The money raised from this campaign will be used to fund scholarships and provide funds for various school projects.

The Gala Fundraiser has been set to occur on April 22nd, 2023. Volunteers are needed for this event.

## **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

Fiber Arts and Farm Tour - Oct.1st Member Meeting - Oct. 19th Trunk on Treat - Oct. 28th TGIF at LIC, this will be a Halloween party Saturday, Oct. 29th

A final reminder was given that Rick Harrison or Robyn Enders can be contacted to help enter volunteer hours for members.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm

Respectfully submitted by Xoe Frederick LIC Secretary



Filler Photos needed! Have a fun image you'd like to share? I'm always needing a few to fill up open space. Please submit to <a href="mailto:licmembernews@gmail.com">licmembernews@gmail.com</a>. Thanks, Pat

# **Events**

vaccines.

#### **Labor Day Dance**

A special thank you to all of you volunteers for this event and to those who just pitched in. This couldn't have been done successfully without you!! Thanks to liquor sales we came out ahead. Should any of you have suggestions for bands for next Memorial Day and Labor Day, please let me know; Leslie Foss at snooska@msn.com.

#### **Events to look forward to**

**Fiber Arts Fair Oct. 1st, 10 to 4PM**, With guest artist Peter Rowe who does amazing lace work. If you were able to see the article in the Key Peninsula News, you will realize that this is a must see. There will be many other artists there with their creations. We are also having a vaccine clinic at this event with Pierce County Health Department. If you need one of the new boosters, they will have them. I also believe they will have flu

**Trunk on Treat, Oct. 28th, 6 to 8 PM.** In conjunction with Evergreen PTA, the LIC is once again hosting the Truck of Treat. Due to Covid concerns, we have elected not to do the Haunted House. We are trying the walk through this year as in times past. This should minimize the traffic hold up issue we've had in years past. Thank you, PTA, for your hard work on this. If you would like to be a "Trunk" and or drop off candy for this event, we will have information at the next membership meeting and through an email blast.

Halloween Party and Costume Contest, Oct. 29th, 5:30 to 9PM. We will be judging your "best of show" creations with prizes awarded. The committee will be coming up with some fun games for the night. This event is open to members and friends. There will be a hosted bar, snacks and a live band!

**Football in the Foyer.** Don Swenson has graciously provided a TV which we need to pick up and install.

**Ballroom Dancing lessons**. Anyone interested in learning Ballroom Dancing lessons, please let me know. I will have another sign-up sheet at the next membership meeting. We have member John Stray, a professional ballroom dancer, who is willing to give lessons.

**Contra Dancing.** This activity at the Centennial celebration was so well received that have put together a tentative date for another round of Contra Dancing Jan. 21st, from 2-4 PM. When musicians and contra caller have been confirmed, we will let you know. This is an allage event.

# Buildings & Grounds

With the help of Jason Reese, Ken Johnson, Larry Silva and Tim Richmond, we got the septic system straightened out.

Because our insurance required it, we installed a new security system and alarm. Randy Carr did a great job of getting bids from various contractors.

I'm resigning from the board at the end of the year and we are looking for a new Building and Grounds Chair. Also, Kitty has ecome really busy with her job and will also be leaving, so we are looking for both someone to help clean the LIC and become our rental agent. These are both paid positions.

A stack of chairs need to be repaired. Let Jimmy know if you can pick them up and fix them. There are always some chairs that need some TLC and it would be great to have a member take on that task.

We are looking for volunteers to be on the Grounds and Buildings Committee. They would plan work parties for ground and trail work and also help with exterior maintenance of the building. Contact Jimmy at (206) 498-5942 or <a href="maintenance">jamsob1954@gmail.com</a> if you're interested.

Jimmy Sobieck and Ann Morris Buildings and Grounds



# From the Sunshine Corner Hello All.

Since my last report, I've sent out three sympathy cards, one get-well card, one encouragement card, and one congratulations card. A much busier month than last!

Cheril Allen, Sunshine Representative

# THE LONGBRANCH FOUNDATION

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Fall is officially here and with fall comes our Annual Celebrate
Campaign. This is a chance for all of us to reflect on how we give
back to the community that nurtures and supports us. I, for one, am
blessed with all of the relationships I have made through the LIC and the Foundation, and
the various ways we can all help each other while enjoying life. The Foundation, created in
2016, continues to expand its program and services to the Key Peninsula Community. We
promote and enable educational opportunities for our youth, we maintain the area's history
by supporting the historically designated LIC Clubhouse, we work to improve the Filucy
Bay environment with support to the Longbranch Marina. To do this, we rely on donations
from the LIC members and the greater Key Peninsula community.

The Celebrate Campaign is a way to give back specifically with end of year donations. There are several ways to give. You will receive a letter and donation form/return envelope in the mail this month where you can specify where your donation goes or just donate and we will determine the greatest need. Another way to give is to go to the link on the website at:

https://www.longbranchfoundation.org/ways-to-give/gifts-of-cash/

if you click on the DONATE NOW button you can donate through a secure PayPal connection and designate where your money will go.

I hope your life is as blessed as mine has been and you are able to Make A Difference and give back!

Warmly, Sheryl Low TLF President

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A reminder, please continue to save your Food Market receipts for when we meet again.

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