

November 2012



Member Newsletter

Longbranch Improvement Club

For the Betterment of the Community



Special Guest for General 'Dessert' Meeting Nov. 14

President's Report

By the time you read this, the cold rain will have been falling for a week or two and winter will soon be upon us. October was a good month and November will also be quite active for the LIC. The Halloween Dance was fun for all and I encourage you to attend the Spaghetti Dinner to be held in November as well as the membership meeting, which by the way, will be held a week earlier than usual (because of early Thanksgiving) on November 14th. We hope to adopt the 2013 budget, so please help out by attending and participating. Trunk or Treat will be fun for both adults and kids. Thanks to Lynn Carr, who with help from Kurt Anderson, Harry Faas and others was able to complete the installation of the ramp panels, a leftover from the renovation of the ramp earlier this year. Thanks to the Power Squadron, who accomplished much work at the marina in October.

Geoff Baillie, President
gbaillie@msn.com

LeMay Auto Museum on LIC November Program

A speaker from the acclaimed new LeMay Museum of the American Car in Tacoma will present the program at our November general meeting (moved up one week to November 14th). Dessert at 6:30 PM, program to begin at 7:00 PM.

Renee Christ, Collections Manager, will provide a short introduction to this marvelous museum. This is an amazing, constantly changing collection full of antique autos from the early 1900's and classic cars from the intervening decades, including racing machines. LeMay even has Fred Flintstone's chariot. This is a wonderful place for the whole family to visit.

LONGBRANCH IMPROVEMENT CLUB
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
October 17, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by President, Geoff Baillie.

Officers present: Vice President, Gayle Brewer; Treasurer, Francie Carr; Dock Chair, Harry Faas; Events Chair, Tim Heitzman; Membership Chair, CC Williams

Contractors Present: LIC Building Rental, Sharon Gearhart; Dockmaster, Lynn Carr

Call for introductions, and Charley Morgan introduced himself as a previous member who has lived on and off the Peninsula for many years.

Motion made and seconded to adopt the agenda without changes.

Presentation: Gayle announced the Fire Department, which was scheduled to present, was not here so there is no presentation.

Sunshine Lady Report: Vikki Biggs advised she sent a bouquet of flowers to Delores Argabright who has been ill. She will also send flowers to Louise Ragins, who is in the hospital.

President called for Board and Related Committee Reports:

Secretary - Peg Bingham was not present so adoption of the previous meeting minutes was deferred until next month.

Treasurer - Francie explained there is a new Bar Inventory Asset on the Balance Sheet. With the addition of a new \$12,000 CD the CD's total covers the fund amounts for the Restricted and Designated funds such as the Marina Capital Improvement Fund. She reported the bank note for the Marina Wharf is down to a little over \$61,000. The Events revenue is not doing as well as budgeted. Quarterly Moorage is due October 31 for those members who pay quarterly.

Membership – CC thanked the Kitchen volunteers this week. Connie Wick was handling the meeting raffle and announced Rich Hildahl was the winner of the Halloween Basket. Membership is up to 180 (people), 104 families.

Building and Grounds – No report, Doug Lewis was not present.

Dock Chair – Harry Faas was introduced by Geoff as the new Dock Chair with the resignation of Randy Babich. Randy will remain a member of the Marina Committee, but is unable to be Dock Chair. Harry said the main activity now is preparing for winter moorage. There is normally a specified amount of footage identified for Winter Moorage, and that allocation is almost filled.

Events – Geoff advised that the band for the Halloween Dance is not able to come, so he will ensure there is music and it will be fun evening. Tim gave kudos to all volunteers and participants of Fiber Arts. There were a lot of very good comments for this event. Tim has been assembling statistics from past LIC events with respect to the number of volunteers (people and hours) needed to make ensure each event is successful. He will have a graphic available for the November newsletter showing the results. He is concerned there are a couple of future events that may not be possible with only the same few volunteers.

At-Large – No report, Phil Johnson was not present.

Vice President – Gayle advised he had no report. The intended presentation this week by the Fire Department did not happen as there was a bad wreck on 302.

President's Report – Geoff read a thank you letter from the KPCC for the money they made (and all the fun they had) in the Croquet Tournament. They made \$4402 which will help with building maintenance of the Civic Center.

Geoff read another letter from the Children's Home Society promoting their Christmas holiday event and asking for donations.

Historian – Lynn Larson advised she had no report.

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
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Old Business:

Geoff reported he contacted Tina Janni in the Business and Management Training Center at Bates Community College to ask for expertise in facilitating the development of a long range business plan for LIC, with the Marina as the first target statement. More information will follow as it becomes available.

New Business:

Next month the 2013 budget will be presented which will include the projected Marina revenue and expenses.

The Board Meeting will be rescheduled to the first Wednesday of November and the General Meeting the second Wednesday because of Thanksgiving.

Other Business:

Mark Runions passed out flyers and announced an event sponsored by Two Waters Art Alliance. A musical evening by Bottom Line Duo will take place Saturday, Nov 3 at the KPCC. No host wine bar at 7:30 pm, with performance at 8:00 pm. Tickets are \$15 each.

Tim announced a printer and keyboard with scanner have been replaced from the LIC office and are looking for new homes.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion made and seconded to adjourn.

Nancy Carr
For Peg Bingham

From the Dockmaster –

The Tacoma Power Squadron was with us the first weekend of October. They again worked magic with the Marina, doing a lot of clearing, cleaning, power washing and generally helping make our Marina look Awesome! There was great pot luck Saturday evening, with LIC providing the ribs. Next year, we will make sure it is not the same weekend as Fiber Arts so more of our members can work with and share pot luck with our Tacoma Power Squadron friends. Thank you Tacoma Power Squadron!!

The next weekend, we had two groups fill the Marina. The Trawler Crawlers made their yearly visit to Longbranch along with the Windseeker's Sailing Club from Longview. And to complete the month, we had a sailing regatta here the same time as the Halloween Dance.

The next few months will not be as busy with Transient Moorage, but we do have Day Island coming in November and Gig Harbor in December. Winter Moorage starts November 1.

Lynn Carr

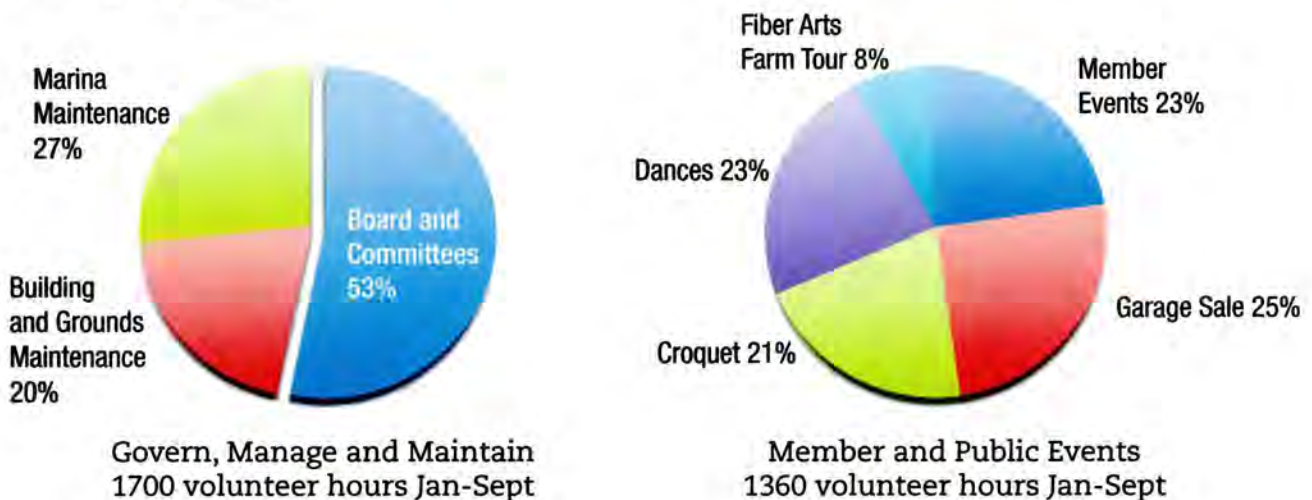
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The LIC is nothing without you.

We're a volunteer organization, providing our community a lot more than an historic building and a sweet little Marina. LIC members support schools, churches and other community services like the Food Bank, Civic Center and Mustard Seed. LIC members liven the scene with concerts, dances and social events. In fact, LIC members are the Improvers of our community. But improving takes time, commitment and dedication. Here's how your 3,000+ hours of volunteered time has been used through September:



Volunteering for next year.

As we plan events and activities for 2013, we're budgeting more than dollars. We're budgeting for the hundreds of hours to move tables, decorate, cook and organize for events. Volunteering really determines what we can undertake. We've wished for all kinds of new events: a summer drum festival, local history and lots more. But without volunteer hours, we just can't do more.

Please raise your hand next time and ask how you can help. There's something for everyone, every ability and skill. We need YOU to keep our club alive, active and interesting.



UPCOMING Events -

Mon. Nov 1— Events Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm, LIC Clubhouse

Sat. Nov 3—Bottom Line Duo at KPCC, Vaughn. 7:30 no-host win bar, 8:00 performance

Sun. Nov 4 —Daylight Savings time ends, fall back one hour

Tue, Nov 6—Election Day

Fri. Nov 7—Spaghetti Social, 5:30- 9:00, LIC Clubhouse

Sun. Nov 11—Veterans Day

Wed. Nov 14—General 'Dessert' Meeting, LIC Clubhouse, 6:30 pm, special presentation

Thu. Nov 22 – Thanksgiving Day

Fri. Nov 23—Black Friday

Wed. Dec 5—Marina Committee Meeting, 7:00 LIC Clubhouse

Thu, Dec 6—Events Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm, LIC Clubhouse

Sat. Dec 8—LIC Decoration Day, 10:00—3:30, LIC Clubhouse. Come and join in the fun as we add holiday festivity to the Clubhouse. Bring your cookies, scissors, gloves and sense of humor. A staple gun or two would be handy, too.

Wed-Fri, Dec 12—14—Elves Alert. 10:00—2:00, Wrap presents for Kids and Christmas. To volunteer for Elf duties, including gift wrapping, please call Nancy Carr, 884-1384. Three days may not be needed, it depends on the number of elves and gifts to be wrapped.

Sat. Dec 15—Northern Lights 5-piece band, free concert, sponsored by Friends of Key Center Library. Get a preview at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h4tW8kqvHsg>

Sun. Dec 16 - Kids and Christmas, 1:00—4:00 LIC Clubhouse

Wed. Dec 19—Christmas dinner General Meeting, LIC Clubhouse, 6:30 pm. Need a ride? Call Judy Riggs, 884-9157.

Fri. Dec 21—Winter Solstice, shortest day of the year

Tue/ Dec 25—Christmas

Thu. Dec 27—National Fruitcake Day

Expect a call soon... Activating the LIC Phone Tree

A couple of winters ago we did a survey that uncovered a lot of good ideas, one of them being an LIC Phone Tree.

With a phone tree, we can improve communication between the Club and members with a quick way to get the word out, neighborhood by neighborhood. A phone tree lets us all stay in touch, share LIC alerts and reminders of special community events and organize volunteer projects. The LIC phone tree will also be critical for emergencies, checking in on neighbors in need, carpools for members that don't like to drive at night and more.

It's really not too complicated. We've organized all our members by where you live, and each neighborhood has a leader who makes two or three calls to the next "branch" of the tree. They each call two or three more, and quickly, easily, everyone gets a call with the news.

We had a very positive response from the membership -- some people said they would like to help as group leaders and callers. We're ready to set up the tree, but our notes date back in time, so if you're willing to be a caller, please call one of us.

Don't be surprised when you receive your friendly call from the LIC phone tree.

Trish Goodvin 884-4270

Lynn Lloyd 884-2270

Judy Riggs 884-7909



Spencer & Traci Hoveskeland - Bottom line Duo

Spencer and Traci Hoveskeland promise a romp through musical history that features virtuosity, joy, a bit of competitiveness, and a well-tuned sense of humor between cello and bass. They are flirtatious, passionate, erudite and incredibly talented. Victor Borge with "strings attached."

The performance is presented in a chamber music "21st century" style, featuring music from Bach to Rock and honors many music genres in between from Broadway, Argentine tango, Mexican folk, Klezmer and Country western.

The Hoveskelands were brought up in Port Angeles, WA and received the beginnings of their musical careers from the Port Angeles public school system. They met in high school, continued their relationship and studies at Western Washington University in Bellingham and have graduated to performing internationally as well as in the USA. They also devote a major part of their time insuring that music education continues in the public school systems.

The performance being sponsored by Two Waters Arts Alliance will be held at the Key Peninsula Civic Center (17010 So. Vaughn R. KPN, Vaughn WA) November 3, 2012. 7:30 PM (No Host Wine Bar) 8:00 PM performance.

Cost: \$15 Adults; \$1 Students. Tickets will be sold at the door or can be ordered by going to info@twowaters.org. Tickets are also available at Sunnycrest Nursery and the Blend Wine shop in Key Center.

Fiber Arts—2012



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**5:30 TO 9
FRIDAY NIGHT
NOVEMBER 9**

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PASTA SALAD VINO BAR**

Spaghetti Social



\$10 adults/family discounts

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