

February 2013



Member Newsletter

Longbranch Improvement Club

For the Betterment of the Community



Pancake Breakfast Saturday, Feb 9, 10-1, Bring Friends

President's Message

The LIC leadership was faced with an unexpected transition period due to the untimely passing of Geoff Baillie, plus the need for CC Williams to resign her position as Membership Chair. When vacancies occur in the LIC Board, our by-laws call for the Board to appoint replacements. I was asked to move from Vice President to President to fill out Geoff's term which expires in June 2013; Jan Prichard was asked to fill the Membership position which also expires in June; Clark Van Bogart was asked to fill the Vice President slot. The new Board met on January 9th to begin the task of maintaining the forward momentum the LIC had gained under Geoff's leadership. I believe we have identified the ongoing loose ends and threads, and we hope to keep things moving in a positive direction.

At the January Board meeting and then at the General Membership meeting we discussed the options for providing a fitting memorial to Geoff Baillie. There is unanimous support for naming the new wharf at the marina in Geoff's honor. This is especially appropriate as he did more than anyone else to cope with the condemnation of the old wharf and all the regulatory, engineering and financial obstacles to its replacement. Options for memorial(s) at the LIC building are also under consideration. There will be more information about these projects as they develop. Funding will be by donations and details about how to donate will also be coming soon.

Finally, a personal note: I had no aspiration of ever serving as LIC President, but now that I find myself in that office, I pledge to do my best to fill out Geoff's term. I will need your help and I would love to hear from any member regarding LIC matters, especially things you would like the Board to consider. My contacts are: 253-884-0787 home; 509-945-1194 cell; gbrewer123@yahoo.com email.

Gayle Brewer

UPCOMING Events -

- ♥ Sun. Feb 3—Super Bowl Sunday
- ♥ Wed. Feb 6—Marina Committee Meeting, 9:00 am, LIC Clubhouse
- ♥ Thu. Feb 7 —Events Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm, LIC Clubhouse
- ♥ Sat. Feb 9—Pancake Breakfast, 10:00—1:00 pm, LIC Clubhouse. All are welcome
- ♥ Tue. Feb 12—Lincoln's Birthday
- ♥ Thu. Feb 14—Valentine's Day
- ♥ Wed. Feb 20 —General Membership Pot Luck meeting, 6:30 pm, LIC
- ♥ Fri. Feb 22—Washington's Birthday



**LONGBRANCH IMPROVEMENT CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 16, 2013**

Gayle Brewer, President, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. He introduced Kim Cheney our new rental agent who is replacing outgoing agent Sharon Gearhart. Kim lives in Lakebay and is eager to continue getting the word out about the availability of the LIC building for rental and coordinating with visiting marina guests who might want use of the building and grounds.

Gayle explained what the Board has been working on in the aftermath of Geoff's passing. Gayle has agreed to fill the position of President to finish Geoff's term which expires the end of June, 2013. Clark Van Bogart agreed to be appointed to the position of Vice President until the current term expires at the end of June 2014. The position of Membership Chair was also vacant, as CC Williams is moving out of the area, and Jan Prichard agreed to fill that position until that term expires the end of June, 2013.

Jeri Chaney is our new cleaning person, but hadn't yet signed a contract. That has now been done. Through reviewing past meeting minutes other ongoing projects and concerns have been identified so that they can be handled appropriately.

Jan Prichard read a letter to the LIC from Linda Leblanc & Wally Johnson to say thank you for the award they received at the Christmas meeting.

A major discussion at the last Board meeting concerned having a memorial for Geoff. The Board agreed unanimously that they wanted to do so, but would like the members to discuss what form(s) it would take. There was much discussion about naming the new wharf after Geoff, because without him it simply would not have happened within the time frame that it did. Another idea was to have a sturdy bench with a plaque at the clubhouse. Geoff was very active in the community and a memorial at the clubhouse would be seen by more people. This idea also met with approval by the members. Other ideas were to have an outdoor picnic table and benches, a plaque inside the hall, and more thoughts on just what an outdoor bench would look like and where it might be placed. We also discussed that any excess funds donated for whatever memorial(s) decided upon be sent to Evergreen Elementary. Clark Van Bogart had already done a little research on type and cost of a bronze or other metal plaque and he shared his information with us. He, and others, also suggested that we might set up a program for other members, past and present, who might want to remember their loved ones in a similar manner.

Gayle said we seemed to have a community sense of what members wanted and asked for additional ideas to be directed to either him or Clark. He emphasized we should wait to speak publically about what we will be doing until all the ideas are in, distilled and presented to Lynn and her family for approval. At that time we can proceed accordingly. At this time we don't have a designated fund for donations, and will set one up when we know more about what memorial(s) we want and the costs involved.

Dock Master: Lynn Carr reported he has turned off the water at the Marina for the winter. The Tacoma Outboard Assoc. will be in this weekend and the Sea Scouts are bringing in the Odyssey on the 25th. Also the suspicious white powder at the top of the ramp is baking soda, a non-slip agent recommended for application around water...and it's working very well.

Secretary: The minutes of the previous General Meeting were approved in the Secretary's absence.

Treasurer: We were able to save \$450 in interest by prepaying our insurance of \$12,711. Our bank loan is reduced to \$57,221. Geoff had personally guaranteed the loan and it was in danger of being pulled due to his passing. Much gratitude goes to Lynn Larson who has graciously offered to continue to personally guarantee the loan. Our Gross income exceeded the budgeted amount, due to guest moorage, donations and the rummage sale. Kids and Christmas has a fund going forward to help with next years costs. This year's expenses were \$2092 and we have \$2325 remaining for next year. Our depreciation was larger than anticipated but as it is a non cash item it did not affect our cash flow. We paid for our new kitchen counter and stove and marina wiring from our Capital Budget. Francie thanked Bruce Jeglum for his labor and artistry on the new counter. The LIC spent \$2200 more than it brought in for 2012.

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**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 16, 2013
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Events: Tim Heitzman, on behalf of the events committee, thanked Gayle for stepping up to take over the presidency. He also invited everyone to come to the Pancake Feed on Saturday, February 9th beginning at 10 a.m. It will be a pay-what-you-wish breakfast spread of pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausages, OJ, tea and coffee. "Bring you friends and neighbors and come hungry!" To make a day of it, the Vaughn Civic Center is having a crab feed that night.

Building and Grounds: Doug Lewis reported he is trying to keep down expenses and to maintain a balance between using volunteer and professional labor. Some jobs are best done professionally to make sure whatever is done meets necessary standards and codes. He will set up a work party for the building and grounds when it gets a little warmer. New gravel and gutters are in the budget and will be done soon. Other projects may require the donation of time and money.

Membership: Jan Prichard reminded members to be sure to sign in to get credit for attendance and thanked the hostesses, Norma Iverson, Theresa Gano, Eloise Colbert and Ann Dearing. They received a round of applause. Francie also reminded the members that **the yearly dues are due this month.**

Marina: Harry Faas stated that the Marina Rules and Regulations have been revised to agree with the 2012 changes to the by-laws. These can be accessed on the website. Denny Prichard reported on the meeting he and Kurt Anderson had with Wynnae Wright from the DNR. Our lease is due to be renewed in 2017 and the purpose of the meeting was to establish an ongoing dialog with the DNR to know ahead of time what will be required for a lease renewal. Wynnae was very helpful and offered to survey the marina to establish the "useful life" of the various aspects of the marina. Kurt Anderson has distributed a report on the meeting to the members of the Marina Committee.

Sunshine Lady: Vicki Biggs reported that the LIC provided a flower arrangement for Geoff's memorial service.

Newsletter: Nancy Carr is looking for articles for the newsletter.

New Business: Barbara Van Bogart is in charge of the marketing of the cookbook that is due to be published after May 31st. Forms for recipe submission are in the newsletter and everyone is encouraged to submit 3 to 5 recipes. Submissions are encouraged from everyone on the Peninsula and we were encouraged to spread the word. The book will be a quality presentation, hard backed and spiral bound. A local artist is working on it and local images such as Filicy Bay will be used. The cost will be \$20 or less.

There is a "Name the Cookbook Contest". The rules are: 5 words or less and suitable for "family viewing". The deadline is March 1st and the winner will be announced at the March General Meeting. There will be a basket of goodies for the winner which will include bottles of wine, cooking utensils, an embroidered apron and many other great items. Submissions for the contest can be mailed to P.O. Box 111, Lakebay WA 98349, or emailed to recipes4lic@yahoo.com.

Road Clean-up: Pat Muchmore and Sharon Gearhart have stepped forward to take over the LIC Adopt-a-Road that had been chaired for many years by Bob McFarlane who has moved to Walla Walla. The next road clean-up will be when it warms up a little and members will be reminded by email and in the newsletter.

The Lions Club is soliciting recommendations for "Citizen of the Year". Tim has submitted Geoff's name but doesn't know if posthumous honors are awarded. Contact Hugh McMillan or the Lions Club with recommendations.

Rich Hildahl congratulated Norma Iverson and Jan Prichard on their January birthdays.

Gayle announced that Joan Curtis would make a presentation on "The Bad Boys of McNeil" at our March General Meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of March.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Prichard
For Peg Bingham
Secretary

LIC Cookbook

The LIC cookbook project is up and running, and the Name The Cookbook contest is ON! Submit your entry (five words or less) to recipes4lic@yahoo.com for consideration. Enter early and enter often! Winner to be announced at the March 20 LIC meeting and will be presented with the gift basket loaded with goodies.

Recipes must be received by May 31, but don't delay! Pull out your recipe box, your cookbooks and those handwritten recipes you have relied on for years and select three to five favorites. Attached is the format for recipe submission.

When you are done, you can email them to recipes4lic@yahoo.com. Your name will be printed with each recipe, as well as in an index of authors. We will also be accepting recipes at the LIC clubhouse, at Sunnycrest Nursery in Key Center, or by mailing them to LIC Cookbook, PO Box 345, Lakebay, WA 98349. Join us as we create a cookbook filled with great recipes from our community...and beyond!

Barb Van Bogart

Thank you -

Dear LIC Membership,

My family and I were deeply touched by the beautiful bouquet delivered for Geoff Baillie's Celebration of Life Service and for the unstinting efforts of everyone who worked so hard to ease our burden in organizing the service, from food preparations, setting up chairs and tables, providing baskets for card and donations to messages of heartfelt condolence. We are grateful for being part of a community so ready to mobilize in a time of crisis.

Blessings,
Lynn Larson

RECRUITING FOOD HANDLERS

The LIC is embarking on an ambitious program of events in the coming months, a number of which will have food service. While we have a good core of volunteers with Food Handler Cards it would be helpful to have additional card holders. I do not want to burn out the volunteers we have by asking too much and too often. The test can be taken online at www.tpchd.org. There is a \$10 fee reimbursed by the LIC. We have fun doing the work and are more than happy to arrange shifts and time spent at an event with each volunteer's wishes. Come join us.

WANTED: TWO CERTIFIED FOOD BOOTH OPERATORS

At the present time the LIC has three members who are Certified Food Booth Operators and we could use two more. At least one CBO is required at LIC events with a High-Risk food permit and two make it easier. With five CBOs we could alternate events and no one would have to work all of them. Certification consists of attending a three hour class and passing a test at Tacoma Pierce County Health Department in Tacoma. If I can do it, anyone can! The CBO card is valid for two years. Wednesday, February 20, Sharon Gearhart and I will be going in to attend the class to renew our certification. If you are interested in joining us on that day just let me know at Bing6178@gmail.com or 884-1124. The other dates available are in April, May, June and July. One day each month. Class runs from 9 – 12 which includes testing time. We must be pre-registered for the class at least 14 days ahead, all class materials are provided and the LIC covers the cost. I hope there is someone out there who would like to be a member of this group.

Peg Bingham

Dear Member or Friend of the Longbranch Improvement Club,

The Longbranch Improvement Club (LIC) is preparing a cookbook featuring recipes from many excellent cooks. These cookbooks will be professionally published, contain special pages of interest about the LIC, and cooking hints as well as special recipes from the community.

We would love to have you contribute to our cookbook. Please submit 3-5 of your favorite recipes following the instructions below. Your name will be printed with each recipe, as well as in an index of authors.

We anticipate a great demand for our cookbooks. To ensure we order enough books, please indicate how many cookbooks we can reserve for you and your family.

Please reserve _____ cookbook(s) for me.

Name _____ E-mail _____ or Phone # _____

(Mail recipes to: LIC Cookbook, PO Box 345, Lakeby, WA 98349 or drop off at LIC or Sunnycrest or e-mail to recipes@lic.ydaho.com)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Please print NEATLY in INK, not pencil, and place one recipe per form.
- If more room is needed, please use another sheet of the same size paper and staple the sheets together.
- List all ingredients in the order they are used.
- Use standard abbreviations and accurate package sizes (16 oz pkg., 24 oz can) and indicate if ingredient should be chopped, minced, etc.
- Write directions in simple sentences, using ingredients in order listed, and please put in paragraph form, not steps.
- Clearly state pan/dish sizes and preparation needed for baking, etc. (ex: Grease 11"x7" pan and sprinkle with flour.)
- Include temperatures and cooking, cooling, baking or freezing times.
- If baking: Indicate whether to bake covered or not, and what is the test for "doneness".
- If appropriate, include the source of your recipe (family member or friend, web page, based on a cookbook recipe, etc.)
- Notes personalize your recipe; please include notes (anything other than ingredients, directions, and your name, number of servings or recipe title) at the bottom of the form.

- Standard Abbreviations: Cup = C, Pint = pt, Teaspoon = tsp, Tablespoon = T, Pound = lb, Dozen = doz, Envelope = env, Package = pkg, Ounce = oz, Gallon = gal, Quart = qt, Large = L, Medium = med, Small = sm.
- Recipe Categories:
 - **Appetizers & Beverages**
 - **Soups & Salads**
 - **Vegetables & Side Dishes**
 - **Main Dishes**
 - **Breads & Rolls**
 - **Desserts**
 - **Cookies & Candy**
 - **LIC Event Recipes**

Adopt a Road

It gives me great pleasure to announce that the "Adopt A Road Program" that the LIC entered into a long time ago will resume this Spring. Sharon Gearhart and I have been in touch with Pierce County and have received the go ahead to resume the Road Clean Up since Bob McFarland's departure from the Club last year. As you know, we usually do it on a Saturday from 10 am to approximately noon (or when ever we finish). We will wait until the weather improves before scheduling a definite date, etc. The County will provide us with hard hats, reflective vests, plenty of plastic bags and Sharon or I will take the filled bags to the County for disposal.

For those of you who would be interested in joining us, watch for an announcement in the Newsletter as well as an announcement at one of our Business Meetings to give you plenty of time to prepare for this auspicious activity.

Pat Muchmore



ALL YOU CAN EAT! DONATIONS BENEFIT LIC

LONGBRANCH PANCAKE BRUNCH FEB. 9 SAT. 10-1



NO-HOST BRUNCH BAR + FRESH JUICE + HOT COFFEE
FLAPJACKS + EGGS + SAUSAGE + FRIENDS & FUN

LIC CLUBHOUSE 4312 KEY PENINSULA HWY



Here we are in the 2nd month of 2013, waiting for the snow or the daffodils, whichever comes first! I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 9th. This breakfast is for everyone, so bring your neighbors and friends and enjoy the good company and great food.

Have you mailed in your membership renewal form and dues yet? Yes, it's that time of year, too! A form is attached to this newsletter and can also be found on the LIC website at www.longbranchimprovementclub.org (or try www.licweb.org...a lot less to type!)

A hearty WELCOME to new members!
 Connie Copeland and Larry Silva
 Pam and Jerry Libstaff
 Kim and Paul Fisher

Happy Valentine's Day!
 Jan Prichard
 Membership Chair

Mark your calendars for the February General 'Potluck' Meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 20th at 6:30 p.m.

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2013 LIC Membership Renewal Thank you, Due Jan 1, 2013

NAME

Any changes?

KPS ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

MAILING ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

LOCAL TELEPHONE

MOBILE/OTHER TELEPHONE

EMAIL

E-mail newsletter Postal mail newsletter

CHECK ENCLOSED CHARGE TO VISA MasterCard

CARD NUMBER

EXPIRY DATE

CID NUMBER (back of card)

Mail to: LIC PO Box 111, Lakebay Wa 98349

Your LIC depends on your volunteer help. Check all the boxes for activities that you'd like to do.

EVENTS

- Set up/decorate/host
 Food prep/kitchen

ACTIVITIES

- Telephone tree
 Road crew pickup

FACILITIES

- Building
 Grounds/garden
 Dock

SPECIAL SKILLS

- Committee
 Office
 Musical
 Publicity

Membership Renewal Dues

- Individual..... \$40
Couple/Family..... \$60
Associate Member..... \$40

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