

January 2015



Member Newsletter

Longbranch Improvement Club

For the Betterment of the Community



Dessert Meeting Wed. Jan 21, 7:00 PM

President's Message

IRS Redux. We were audited in late October and preliminary indications were that "things look good", but recently we were notified by Howard Donkin, our accountant with the Seattle accounting firm of Jacobson Jarvis, that the IRS wanted more information. The main sticking point is the question of whether revenue from the Marina should be classified as "unrelated business income" and therefore taxable. We scoured the LIC files for additional information which we provided to Howard who prepared a lengthy legal argument on our behalf and submitted it to the IRS auditor. Now we go back to waiting for the results.

Holiday Events. When you read this, another holiday season will be winding down. The LIC clubhouse was decorated beautifully for its job of hosting Kids N' Christmas and our annual Holiday Dinner meeting. Like most LIC events, these were accomplished by a large number of members who donated their time and effort. A big THANK YOU to all who volunteered!

Annual Awards. Each year the membership, through its Board of Directors, bestows honors on members who have performed exceptional service to the LIC. This year, our Star Award recipients were Nancy Carr, Doug & Betty Lewis, and Peg & Larry Bingham. A Life Award was presented to Rich & Connie Hildahl. An additional Life Award will be presented at the January membership meeting as the recipient could not attend the December meeting.

Dishwasher Replacement. You may already know this, but our commercial grade dishwasher has failed and must be replaced, to the tune of about \$4000. Sharon Gearhart and others have been researching the best cost-effective replacement choice as repair of the failed unit is not an option.

January Program. The program for the January meeting will be "Longbranch: The Photography of David Montesino". If you have seen any of his work, you know this will be a visual feast of images from our own neck of the woods. Don't miss it!

Gayle Brewer

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**LONGBRANCH IMPROVEMENT CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
December 17, 2014**

LIC Dec. General Meeting 12/17/14 @ LIC lobby was called to order at 8:00 PM

BOARD and COMMITTEE REPORTS

Secretary: Judy Riggs asked and it was MSP to accept the LIC Nov. General Meeting minutes.

Treasurer: Jim Hettinger reported that marina moorage numbers for November were \$1,800 and income from events was \$2,350 of which \$2,200 was the Spaghetti Social.

The only large expenditure was for representation for the IRS audit, which was \$2,200.

We are currently working on the 2015 budget, and should present it to the membership

Events: Delia McGinnis reported that Kids and Christmas was a great success again this year with a big community turnout. Thank you to all the volunteers that made it possible.

Cookbook Committee: Barb Floyd wanted to thank all who worked on the LIC cookbook and made it happen. She shared with us a great appreciation of how well everyone worked together on this project. And also how much fun they had doing it. There are still cookbooks and art work for sale.

As is the LIC Dec. General Meeting tradition, the business agenda was short and sweet and the rest of the time was spent in celebrating the Holiday Spirit and enjoying a wonderful dinner.

This year's Star Awards went to Nancy Carr, Larry and Peg Bingham, Doug and Betty Lewis. Lifetime Membership goes to Rich and Connie Hildahl.

Meeting adjourned 8:30PM

Respectfully submitted by LIC Sec. Judy Riggs

**DE-DECORATING DAY
SATURDAY, JAN. 3, 10 A.M.**

Can it really be that time already?! Ah, yes. It's time to take down that holiday splendor, tuck it all back into boxes and store it in the attic for next year. It just takes an hour or two, the more willing hands the better! Come load up a box or two, share some coffee and munchies and wish each other a "Happy New Year"!

Jan Prichard

From Sunshine Corner.....

The following get well cards were sent from the Sunshine Corner of the LIC:

Vicki Biggs
Betty Case

May you feel like new very soon.

--Marlies Van Cise--



Upcoming Events

Sat. Jan 3—LIC Hall De-Decorating Day, start 10:00 AM

Mon. Jan 5—National Bird Day

Wed. Jan. 7—Marina Meeting, 9:00 AM

Sat. Jan 10—Houseplant Appreciation Day

Thu. Jan 15—Events Meeting, 7:00 PM

Wed. Jan. 21—LIC General Meeting with David Montesino as guest speaker

There will be a collection box for the Food Bank

Mon. Jan 19—Martin Luther King's Birthday (observed)

Sun. Feb 1—Super Bowl Sunday! Superbowl XLIX

DECORATING DAY A GLITTERING SUCCESS!

Many thanks to the 31+ folks who turned out to make the LIC shine for the holidays. What a crew!...Lynn and Nancy Carr and friend Robert; Andy Gano; Denny and Jan Prichard; Sharon Gearhart; Pat Muchmore; Delia McGinnis; Susan Quigley; Connie Copeland; AJ Million; Barb Floyd; Nancy and Eric Clement; Dale Case; Judy Riggs; Larry and Peg Bingham; Lynn Lloyd; Mary Lemon; Jane Eiseman; Shirley and Gayle Brewer; Carolyn Wiley, Sharon, Patty, Maggie and Lizzy Barry (Carolyn's daughter and granddaughters); Gene Brown; Clark Van Bogart and Mike Isbell. Apologies if I missed anyone and let me know so I can give your hours to Eloise!

We had fun, were well fed and got done in record time, thanks to so many willing volunteers.

You are, we **all** are "The gift that keeps on giving" to ourselves, each other, and the greater community. Thank you for your gifts!

Jan Prichard

Building and Grounds Chat Room December 2015

Well-the year 2014 will soon be at an end and I, for one, am looking forward to 2015 and all the challenges it may bring. My undying thanks to all the members who helped to keep the grounds looking good, who got the flag flying again, finished the trail and did the myriad of other chores and projects necessary to keep the LIC building and grounds neat and healthy. There are things to be done this next year and I will have a list available at the beginning of the year so warm up your tools. For now my sincere wish for each of you is to have a wonderful Holiday Season and a safe and healthy 2015. Thank you for entrusting the care of this "Grand Old Lady" to me for another year. I look forward to working with you in 2015.

Sharon

There will be a collection box for the Food Bank at the January 21st General Meeting. Please bring a non-perishable donation.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

December got off to a bang with decorating the LIC for all the LIC Christmas activities. We had a great turn out of volunteers, thank you to you all. It was very fun and festive. We had Kids and Christmas on the 14th. Thanks to the busy LIC elves, assistant elves and donors who helped to make this a wonderful Christmas for the children of the Key Peninsula. Carolyn Wiley procured donations from Bruce Titus Automotive, Costco, Albertsons, Sound Credit Union and a private donation from Sharon Barry. Thank you, Carolyn. Thank you to Jan Prichard for her tireless efforts to prepare for the event and organizing the elves. Thank you to Nancy Carr for her work with Toys for Tots who provided many wonderful gifts to the children. Jan, Carolyn and Nancy had everything organized which contributed greatly to our success. Thanks to Carolyn's granddaughters who worked tirelessly with the fishpond and other activities. A special thanks to our official Santa photographers, Denny Prichard and Mark Runions and also Rich Hildahl our roving photographer. Vicki Baltmiskis and her Girl Scout troops provided the children with opportunities to make presents for family and friends. Marlies VanCise took care of the book corner with over 1,000 books and every child was able to choose a book to take home. But let us not forget the star of the day Santa Claus channeled by Dale Case. Thank you so much Dale. The children loved you. And thank you, Fred Leenstra, for delivering Santa in the very nice sleigh.

Delia McGinnis

LIC Christmas Dinner

All pictures by Rich Hildahl

New Lifetime Membership Award Recipients



Kids and Christmas



Santa arriving in his red sleigh



The Santa Line



LIC tree

Santa—before



Posing for pictures



Scout Tables



The food line



Face painting



Full parking lot



The scout troops



Santa—still smiling at the end.

2015 LIC Membership Renewal Thank you, Due Jan 1, 2015

NAME

Any changes?

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LOCAL TELEPHONE **MOBILE/OTHER TELEPHONE**

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

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 Set up/decorate/host
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- ACTIVITIES**
 Telephone tree
 Road crew pickup

- FACILITIES**
 Building
 Grounds/garden
 Dock

- SPECIAL SKILLS**
 Committee
 Office
 Musical
 Publicity

Membership Renewal Dues

Individual.....	\$25
Couple/Family.....	\$40
Associate Member.....	\$25

Dockmaster Report

The only yacht club to visit the Marina in December was Gig Harbor. Even though it was pretty cold, Doug Lewis had some hefty heaters that helped keep the pavilion warm – along with the liquid refreshments like coffee, tea and cocoa, of course.

There is still an oil-electric heater for sale for \$40. Let me know if you are interested..

The Marina Committee has streamlined some of the Marina forms for Moorage Application and Waiver and Moorage Application for Permanent, Temporary and Winter Moorage. These forms are available from the Dockmaster and will be on the LIC web, www.licweb.org..

Lynn



LIC Membership Report

Happy New Year to all, we ended 2014 with 193 total members!

Thanks to all who have helped Host/Hostess though out 2014, I couldn't do it without you.

Thanks to the volunteers who Host/Hostess for the Christmas meeting: A.J Millian, Susan Quigley, Jo Hamilton & Helen Jamison and to Francie Carr for getting everyone signed in.

I look forward to seeing you in 2015!

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Jan Meeting 1/21/2015

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