

MAY 2015



Member Newsletter

Longbranch Improvement Club

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May Dessert Social & Meeting Wednesday, May 20 6:30 PM

President's Message

The Key Peninsula News will be including an article about the LIC in an upcoming issue so you might be on the look-out for it. According to their reporter, they hope to be featuring more news items about lower Key Peninsula in their paper.

IRS Audit is still ongoing with no resolution. Another new case agent has just been assigned; don't expect any real news for another month or so.

Wharf Loan Repayment. With our commercial bank loan for the wharf replacement now paid off, the board of directors is considering ways to begin early repayment to our members who came forward and loaned money to the LIC during the wharf crisis. Letters have just gone out to those members who loaned money with more details.

Down Key Festival. This year's event is a collaborative production with the music department of Evergreen Elementary School, whose students will perform an original musical play about KP history on our stage. There will be two performances: Friday evening June 5th and Sunday afternoon June 7th. Admission is free and times will be announced as the event draws closer. The kids are very excited about this; be sure to put these dates on your calendar and support the students by attending one of the performances. Thanks to Connie Hildahl and others for their hard work in making this happen.

LIC Elections : The upcoming positions are President, Treasurer, Membership Chair and Marina Chair. Susan Quigley is heading up the nominating committee and will announce a prospective slate of candidates at the May meeting, with the election to be held at the June meeting.

May Meeting Program. This month's program was suggested by Virgil Iverson and will be presented by Matt Wilson: Fish Restoration in the North Fork Skokomish River. Virgil has seen this presentation and says it is fascinating.

Gayle Brewer

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REMEMBER: DOCK BREAKFAST- SATURDAY MAY 2,- 8AM-11 AM- REGATTA TO FOLLOW!

**LONGBRANCH IMPROVEMENT CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
April 15, 2015**

LIC Membership Meeting on 04/15/15 in the LIC lobby was called to order at 7:00 PM

CONTRACTOR REPORTS

LIC Dock-master: Lynn Carr reports that March was a slow month with 6 boats visiting the LIC Marina. Volunteers are needed at the dock for pressure washing the deck, painting the flag pole and cleaning the BBQ.

LIC Rental Agent Lori Deacon was absent this meeting.

BOARD and COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Secretary: Judy Riggs shared a Thank you card from the Bingham's for flowers from our LIC Sunshine Lady. It was MSP to accept the March 2015 LIC Membership meeting minutes.

Treasurer: Jim Hettinger reminded members with moorage that quarterly payments are due. He handed out copies of the financial report. The LIC is currently showing a net income over budget by \$3,400.

Membership: Jan Prichard (for Eloise Colbert) reminded members to sign in at the meetings. She thanked our potluck meeting hostesses: Norma Iverson and Susan Quigley. And "Welcome Back!" to long time members and snow birds Norma and Jim Larsen.

Events: Delia McGinnis is recruiting volunteers for the Memorial Day Dance. The Down Key Festival Lite scheduled for June 5 and June 7 at the LIC will feature the Evergreen Elementary School's musical presentation of the history of the Key Peninsula. It will include a cast of 24 students singing and acting. Both the school and Two Waters will be helping with this event.

Building and Grounds: Sharon Gearhart reported that fifteen people came to the Spring Work Party and accomplished a long list of work projects.

A special cleanup crew made up of Susan Quigley, Pat Muchmore and Sharon took on the horrendous task of the dumped garbage and kitty litter off Erickson Road on the back of the LIC Property.

The new dishwasher has been installed with help from Lynn Carr and is working well.

Sharon has changed out the locks on the doors at the LIC.

Larry Bingham, Clark Van Bogart and Mark Runions worked on installing a gate on the back of the property.

Trustee at Large: Phil Johnson was absent this meeting.

Vice President: Clark Van Bogart had nothing to report.

President: Gayle Brewer had nothing to report.

Marina: Denny Prichard reminds members that the Dock Breakfast will be May 2 from 8 AM to 11:00AM. Members and their guests are welcome. There will be a boat and sailing regatta following the Breakfast.

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OLD BUSINESS

Clark Van Bogart reports that the IRS Audit is still ongoing.

The LIC Long Range Plan is available on the LIC website to members. Gayle and Clark are also adapting a website version for nonmembers.

LIC Board elections this year include positions for President, Treasurer, Membership, and Marina chair. If you have anyone in mind to nominate, or would like to take a turn yourself at one of these volunteer positions, please call Susan Quigley at 884-1163.

Francie Carr thanked the members for the Key Center grocery store receipts which came to over \$30 for the scholarship fund.

Judy Riggs thanked the members for the Food Bank donations, whose rations usually run low this time of year.

NEW BUSINESS

The Key Peninsula Newspaper has shown interest in reporting more about Key Peninsula South and has offered a contact liaison Sara Thompson to cover the LIC Events. Look for an article in an upcoming newspaper featuring the LIC.

Nancy Carr has offered to be the LIC liaison to our webmaster for updates to the LIC website. She will be passing on the task of compiling the LIC Newsletter to Helen Jamieson.

Welcome Aboard to Barb Henderson who has volunteered to be the new LIC PR Coordinator and will work with the Events Committee.

Now that the bank loan for the new wharf has been paid off, the LIC is focusing on repayment of the Promissory Notes from the members, which comprised about half of the total debt for the LIC Wharf. These Note Holders should expect a letter in the mail concerning this matter.

The LIC Membership MSP a motion to a proposal to sell 4,000 SQ. FT of the bordering LIC property to Jim Marso on these conditions:

- 1.) The sale price is \$5,000.00 to be paid at closing.
- 2.) Mr. Marso pays/reimburses all transaction costs and fees.
- 3.) Mr. Marso will install a wood fence 240' long and at least 6' high within 45 days after closing, to be located 100' on his south boundary, and 140' on his west boundary.
- 4.) The condition of the property: Buyer understands that the property purchase is being made on an "as is", "with all faults", "no warranty" basis. Buyer has had adequate opportunity to inspect the premises to ensure that Buyer has no questions concerning boundaries, soil conditions, and other conditions of the premises reasonable discoverable by a prudent buyer's inspection.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted by

LIC Sec. *Judy Riggs*

Dockmaster Report.....

Again, a slow month at the Marina, but spring and then summer are coming. Yea! Thanks to Mark Lemon the wharf is now pressure washed. Jan Prichard, with Denny looking on, added flower baskets to the pavilion and entrance just in time for the Dock breakfast this Saturday.

There are still some tasks to be done, if someone is looking for volunteer hours - or a way to spend some quality time at the Marina.

Lynn Carr

Upcoming Events

Sat. May 2—Dock Breakfast

Wed. May 6—Marina Meeting

Thu. May 7—Events Meeting, 7:00 PM

Sun. May 10—Mother's Day

Wed May 20 – Dessert Social & general meeting, 7:00pm- LIC Clubhouse

Sat. May 23—Memorial Dance-LIC Clubhouse– 8 pm

Mon. May 25—Memorial Day



Greetings from the LIC sunshine corner:

The sunshine corner was out of order for a while due to my own sickness. Therefore no cards were sent, but silent prayers were offered.

I am happy to report though, that the following people are out of the hospital and are doing well.

Norma Iverson - Peg Bingham - Rich Hildahl and Gayle Brewer.

This is a different kind of *SUNSHINE REPORT*, but I know that you would like to learn what I just learned from Mary Mazur about her son Dan Mazur, who is leading an expedition in Nepal, where a horrific earthquake hit and over 5000 people have been killed. (Bob and Mary Mazur are longtime members of the LIC, and we all had the opportunity to listen to Dan at a presentation at the LIC several years ago).

According to Dan's phone call to his mother yesterday, she believes that the team is safe in a camp in Nepal, until they can descend to the base camp. Dan's wife SUJATA KARKI and his 3 year old son RAVI are living in Kathmandu. Their apartment is not safe to occupy, so they are staying in an open space in tents near family and friends. They also seem to be safe.

Rather than sharing more about my conversation with Mary, I would like to suggest to those, who want to learn more, to go to SummitClimb.com. Then go to the left column and open "Spring 2015 Pre-trip Newsletter".

Watching the disaster on TV is even more troublesome now, knowing that some people from Washington are in the midst of the catastrophe and their parents are right here in Longbranch.

Mary thanked me for the phone call and ended our conversation by saying: SO FAR SO GOOD – LET'S KEEP IT THAT WAY!

Respectfully submitted, *Marlies Van Cise*

Building and Grounds Chat Room:

We had quite a successful spring clean-up of the LIC with 15 volunteers providing the elbow grease necessary. Due to the weather constraints-rain interspersed with sunshine-we were not able to complete all the tasks listed on the board but 98% were done. One of the most tedious and onerous jobs was done by Denny Prichard who power washed the dumpster area and all the gutters. He looked a little like a forest creature covered with needles and leaves by the time he was done but the gutters run much better. The following list of names is posted with my heartfelt thanks for all the work accomplished: Clark and Barb Van Bogart, Ann Dearing, A.J. Million, David Leger, Lynn and Bill Lloyd, Peg and Larry Bingham, Patricia Muchmore, Jan and Denny Prichard, Gene Brown and Susan Quigley. Job well done!! (Also I would be remiss to not mention the heroic efforts of Patricia Muchmore and Susan Quigley who helped me clean up the mess on Erickson Road. The 9 bags of collected trash did not include the pounds and pounds of cat litter that had been thrown over the bank and impossible to clean up-you both have my undying gratitude.) Starting this month, the Building and Grounds committee has decided to add a section called the Projects Room which will list jobs that need to get accomplished and can be done by members needing to gain volunteer hours or just 'cause they want to be nice and will include whether I already have the supplies (if needed) or not. I hope to have it listed on the website also. So:

Projects Room:

Paint the address post in front of building-I have paint and brushes

Prune Ivy on trees along trail-bring own pruners

Rehang right hand dumpster gate-it hangs crooked

Repair cracked window pane in kitchen area behind kitchen sinks-there are panes in the storeroom that should work-will need list of anything else you might need.

This is a partial list. If any of it interests you please contact me; 884-3890 or wolf9047@aol.com.

Sharon

MUSTARD SEED BENEFIT SAILBOAT REGATA -SAT. MAY 2 2015
SKIPPERS MEETING AT 10AM (FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL 8AM DOCK BREAKFAST)
BRING YOUR SAILBOAT OR JUST COME AS CREW, WHICH IS ALWAYS WELCOME.
SUGGESTED DONATION -\$20.00 PER BOAT
QUESTIONS? CALL GENE BROWN AT [253-683-0009](tel:253-683-0009)



Dockmaster Report

What? The annual “Annual Dock Breakfast Opening Day Boating Season”

When? The first Saturday in May- 5/2/15, 8 to 11 a.m.

Who? Members and their guests

Food? Pancakes, Eggs, Sausages, Strawberries, OJ, & Coffee

Fun? You bet! Come celebrate Spring with friends, food, raffle and regatta.

It’s always fun...Rain or Shine!!



CLEAN UP DAY!

Clean up day- Denny Prichard in the rain!

Nature trails photos- courtesy-Larry Bingham



What's Happening

May 2015

Springtime is the beginning of the LIC's busy time with events. May is starting with the Dock Breakfast on May 2nd and the Memorial Day dance on May 23rd with The Kim Archer band. Doug Sylvers has a previous engagement so Denny and Jan Prichard have volunteered to take charge of the Dock Breakfast this year. Together with Doug's valuable input and their commitment it is bound to be a huge success. Jan and Denny hosted a chili feed on April 22nd to kick off the preparation for it. There was a small army of folks there who have volunteered to help. Where would the LIC be without the dedicated volunteers?

Kim Archer and her band were the featured performers at the Labor Day dance last year. We had a great turnout despite the cool, rainy weather. We all had a great time as did the band. Several folks attending asked that they return. It promises to be a fun night.

See you at both events!!!

Delia McGinnis



Attention all you "Roadies".....a term borrowed from Bob McFarland who used to be in charge of the Road Clean Up. I have arranged with both the County and the Rental Agent to use the LIC on Saturday, May 9, to have our first Road Clean up of the Year. We'll meet at 10 am to sign paper work, explain how it all works, give you your equipment necessary for the clean up and decide who will clean what area of the KPS. Ideally, we like to have eight people do it, so we can divide up the North end and the South end into two teams of four. Two can head from the Club House to the North and the other two head from the Club House to the South. I'll take the rest of the crew out to their starting point, and that way the job gets done faster and the work will be easier on everyone. I'll also have "pickers" available, but if you have any, please bring them along. If you need to contact me you can call at 253 884-3890.

Pat Muchmore



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Remember the on-going Food Bank donation box at the LIC Monthly meeting. Thank you.

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The LIC Events Committee, and the Evergreen Elementary 3rd, 4th & 5th grade students are planning a musical about the history of the south end of Key Peninsula titled:

“THE STORY OF THE DOWN KEY”

There will be two performances:

Friday, June 5th at 6:30p.m. And: Sunday, June 7th at 2:30 p.m.

The play will take place on the stage of the LIC. These musicals are open to the public , and there will be no charge for admission.

Refreshments will be served, following the performance with an opportunity to put a donation in a designated jar with all proceeds going to the LIC and marked for Evergreen Elementary School.

We will have more details later, but please mark your calendars now invite your friends and neighbors to join us.... this is an event you do not want to miss!

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

Build set extensions to the LIC stage

costume needs: hats, vests, aprons, long skirts

If you can help with any of the above, please

call Connie Hildahl @ 884-1400

“The Story of the Down Key”

A musical play presented by the students of Evergreen Elementary at the Longbranch Improvement Club

Friday, June 5th at 6:30p.m.
and
Sunday, June 7th at 2:30p.m.

refreshments to follow the performance

free admission

All proceeds go to Evergreen Elementary

KEY PENINSULA ART SHOW AT THE LIC

We are looking for multimedia art, representing the history, scenery, flora and fauna of our beautiful Key Peninsula. Interested artists may submit two pieces, wire backed and labeled with: the artists name, title, price and contact information, if for sale. Any buyers will contact the artist directly. There is no entry fee or percentage asked of the artist. For more information, please contact Meg Davis, Events Committee, at : megabytedavis@gmail.com.

Meg Davis



LIC Membership Report

Thanks to potluck meeting hostesses: Norma Iverson and Susan Quigley.

If you can volunteer for the May meeting, please call or e-mail Eloise, 253-225-5115, eacolbert@msn.com

May Meeting Dessert
Social
7PM May 20

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